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**सभी जैन साधु साध्वी के चातुर्मास प्रवेश के अवसर पर हार्दिक मंगल कामनाये !
जिन धर्म की खूब प्रभावना हो ! सभी मुनिवर को हमारी वंदना एवं सुख-साता की कामना करते हैं !**

MUMBAI INCIDENT IS UNFORTUNATE

It is really traumatic to watch every now and then, innocent people becoming victims of terror attacks in different parts of the country. Several Indian states have been subject to regular violence for several years by terrorist organizations based in India and abroad. States like Jammu & Kashmir, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and others are also reporting loss of human lives due to regrettable human actions. Mumbai incidence cannot be seen in isolation. Entire country is engulfed into severe administrative problems due to indifferent attitude of the governing bodies towards the common man of the country. Administration is not able to visualize the long term domino effect of its actions and inactions.



We need to settle the challenging issues to the full contentment of masses in the interest of the nation. The government must operate with perseverance and candor to sort out the issues in their formation stage itself. It is adequately resourced to resolve issues keeping in mind the general public interest. Country has the world's best military power, police force and intelligence network. At the same time, we also have intellectuals and peace loving individuals in every segment of our country. On top of everything, we have a democratic setup of governance. It is really astounding to note that in spite of every possible blessing from the almighty, we are one of the worst terrorism affected nation in the world.

Ahimsa Foundation desires the governance to create unique cells to resolve issues relating to public disappointment. Authorities may also

seek the involvement of civic society in their endeavor to bring lasting solutions. Unless we resolve the issues, Mumbai like incidences will not end irrespective of the quality and preparedness of our intelligence services and efficacy of police / military. Innocent people will keep dying on the road. Individual politic aspirations should not play over national interest. We at Jainsamaj denounce all terror attacks and express our deep condolences towards the victims of 13th July, 2011 tragedy at Mumbai. May their soul rest in peace with a hope that no further lives fall prey in the hands of terror.

JAIN SAINTS

पैसा लेकर मार्ग दिखाने वाले गुरु नहीं : दिनेश मुनि. श्री वर्धमान स्थानकवासी जैन श्रावक संघ

सूरत। दिनांक - 15 जुलाई 2011 गुरुपूर्णिमाका दिवस गुरुओं को वंदन करने और उनके प्रति कृतज्ञता ज्ञापित करने का दिन है। आज के दौर में पुराने गुरुओं की जरूरत है महसूस हो रही है, पैसा लेकर मार्ग दिखाने वाला गुरु नहीं हो सकता, गुरु वह है जो मोक्ष का मार्ग दिखाता है, आत्मा को परमात्मा से एकाकार करवाता है। उपरोक्त विचार गुरुपूर्णिमाके पावन अवसर पर सूरत शहर के भटार रोड़ स्थित महावीर भवन के 'गुरु पुष्कर देवेन्द्र सभागार' में उपस्थित श्रद्धालुजनों को संबोधित करते हुए श्रमण संघीय सलाहकार श्री दिनेश मुनि ने व्यक्त किए।



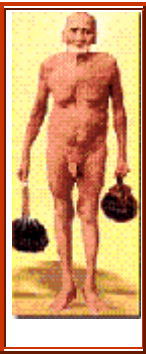
जीवन में गुरु का महत्व समझाते हुए श्रमण संघीय सलाहकार श्री दिनेश मुनि ने आगे कहा कि भौतिकवाद के प्रभाव के कारण आज गुरुओं की प्रतिष्ठा में कमी आई है, अच्छे गुरुओं का अभाव हुआ है, आज के तथाकथित गुरु आर्थिक लाभ के लिए शिक्षा प्रदान कर रहे हैं इसलिए उनका महत्व घट रहा है। गुरुओं की कमी की एक प्रमुख वजह पाश्चात्य शिक्षा का अंधानुकरण और शिक्षा में नैतिकता का खत्म हो जाना है। पाश्चात्य शिक्षा के पीछे भागने के कारण न तो शिक्षकों में गुरुतर भाव विकसित हुआ है और न ही छात्रों में गुरुओं के प्रति सम्मान। आवश्यकता है छात्रजन गुरुओं का सम्मान करें।

31 नवविवाहित जोड़ों ने ली समकित :- गुरुपूर्णिमा के पावन अवसर पर प्रथम बार आयोजित समकित (गुरुमंत्र) प्रदान किया श्रमण संघीय सलाहकार श्री दिनेश मुनि ने। उपस्थित जनमेदनी के समक्ष सलाहकार दिनेश मुनि ने 31 नवविवाहित जोड़ों को सामूहिक रूप से मकित गुरुमंत्र प्रदान किया। जिससे सभागार 'जैनम जयति शासनम् के जयकारों से गूंज उठा। From : Pushpendra Muni, Shri Tarak Guru Jain Granthalaya, Udaipur, E-Mail: tguru1966@gmail.com

धर्मयोगी संत श्री योगभूषण जी महाराज की मंगलवर्षायोग कलश स्थापना 20 जुलाई को खेकड़ा (बागपत) में

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NAKEDNESS AMONGST JAIN SAINTS IS A VIRTUE OF JAINISM



Nakedness is a virtue of not only Jainism but in almost every religion of the world. Nakedness is the glowing example of socialism and APRIGRAH (Possession less) of a very high order. Naked Jain saints present an example of socialism and aprigrahad denouncing the love and possession of worldly wealth and essentials of very high order by discarding gold, silver, money other valuables and even this necessary to protect his body. Nirgranth Muni due to being simple and devoid of sexual desires needs no clothes. Due to their unshaken belief that body is the main cause of all evils and is different from soul, so they do not love their body and therefore they do not wear clothes to protect it. They are far off from attachment love, sexual desires and physical beauty so do not adorn cloths. They think when we took birth naked and will go naked after death then where is the necessity to adorn clothes and perform evil acts in between the two. Nirgranth Muni due to discarding internal as well as external attachments discarded clothes also. Therefore all of us see with reverence those who are actual image of Ahimsa, truth, celibacy (Brahmchary) and Aprigraha. we must not hate or criticize by seeing them.

JAIN TEMPLE NEWS

RESTORED TO ITS FORMER GLORY, 800 YEAR-OLD IN MOOBBIDRI WAITS FOR RAIN



An 800-year-old tank in Moodbidri town, also called the Jain Kashi, recognised as a national monument by the Archaeological Survey of India has been fully restored to its 13th century glory. Thanks to the initiative of the ASI, the tank is expected to hold water this monsoon, after a hiatus of over 80 years. The tank, built eight centuries ago by Jain chieftains, was locally known as 'Bhatrakere.' The ASI prefers to call it the 'Ancient Tank'. The existence of the tank goes back to the 13th century AD. It coincides with the discovery of the Dhavala Trilogiy documents of the Jain Tirthankaras.

The Bettakere was earlier known as 'Bhattaraka kere' (Bhattarakas are chiefs of the Jain monasteries); this tank was reserved for the use of the Bhattarakas. Bhatrakere was built on a one-acre land, and it was about 35-40 feet deep. It used to hold water perennially, and there are records in the mutt to show that the tank was used by the Bhattarakas for ritual purposes. "Restoration work was undertaken such that the original masonry was left untouched, as far as possible. The walls of the tank now are as they were when the tank was originally made. It is dressed in laterite stone, custom-cut from local quarries. Stones were wedged together by sheer alignment, without using any cementing agents. Courtesy: Yashwant Malaiya, E-Mail: ymalaiya@yahoo.com

US JAINS RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW TEMPLE IN MARYLAND



A Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington fundraiser raised over \$1.3 million in pledges for the construction of a new temple at the 5.35 acre facility in Beltsville, Maryland. The event featured theatrical performances highlighting the Jain Diaspora around the world and key Jain religious themes. The pledges received speak about the profound generosity and commitment of community members for the new temple, especially in light of the economy, said Bhupesh Mehta, President, Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington. The plans include the construction of a new temple -- to be called the Shikharbandh Mandir -- and a community facility that will host events. The overall project is expected to take three years to complete at a cost

of \$4.5 million.

FESTIVAL

BELTANGADY: MAHAMASTAKABHISHEKA AT VENUR FROM JAN 28 TO FEB 5, 2012

The Mahamastakabhisheka offering to Shri Bahubali's monolithic statue at Venur will be held from January 28 to February, 2012. A preparatory meeting of the organizing committee was held in Shri Bahubali auditorium in Venur with Shri Kshetra Dharmadhikari Dr D Veerendra Heggade in the chair. Shri Bhattaraka Charukirti Panditacharyavarya Swamiji of Moodbidri Jain Math, scion of Aladangadi Timmannarasa ruling family Dr Padmaprasad Jain, state government's special representative in Delhi and former union minister V Dhananjaya Kumar, Moodbidri MLA and opposition chief whip K Abhayachandra Jain, SCDCC Bank chairman M N Rajendra Kumar and others took part in the deliberations and contributed useful inputs and counsel. The Swamiji of Moodbidri Math invoked blessings pointed out that the Mahamastakabhisheka event signified sacrifice. He also said that the shortfalls which might have occurred during the events in the past were not repeated and gave a call to build a strong society. Courtesy:Yashwant Malaiya E-Mail: ymalaiya@yahoo.com

SEMINAR & CONVENTION NEWS

JAINA HOLDS 16TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION IN HOUSTON

Over 2800 Jains attended the 16th Biennial JAINA Convention in Houston. The event was held at the George Brown Convention Center in Houston, TX from July 1st to July 4th. The conference theme was "Live and Help Live."

The events started with blessings from the many scholars, monks, and nuns followed by dinner and then Gandhi Before Gandhi drama etc. The drama, Gandhi Before Gandhi was a tribute to Veerchand R. Gandhi, a Jain scholar. Mohandas K. Gandhi lived with V. R. Gandhi for several years and during those times M. K. Gandhi learned much about Jainism and Non-Violence as a philosophy and practice.



The next morning started with sessions on Yoga, Medication, and Pratikraman. A beautiful temporary temple was built with two muftis (idols) which were officially opened for prayers. Then a grand procession took place in the large hallways of the convention center with each Jain Sangh carrying their flag. The convention was officially inaugurated by lighting of the candles by Lata Champsee, D. R. Mehta, Sushil Jain, and Dr. Neal Barnard, Udai Jain, and other sanghatis.

In the afternoon, many parallel sessions took place including lectures on basic principles of Jain Dharma, Community Service, ABCD on Entrepreneurship, Yoga for Seniors, Jain Way of Entrepreneurship, Practicing Ecology in Daily Life. In parallel to these programs, youths were also having their programs which included Jainism 101, Jain Networking Forum, Government Activism, Comparative World Religion, Easy Jain Cooking, and more. Such networking events in the past conventions have led to many marriages. In addition to the sessions, first time at the JAINA convention were displays of "Innovative Jain Projects in North America." Over 40 project posters described how Jains are channeling their energy in Living and Sharing a Jain Way of Life. Projects included Jain Mentorship Program, New Brochures on JAINA and JAINISM, Jain Way of Life Handbook – Guide to Compassionate Happy and Health Living, Jain Food Book, Pathshala Material (Sunday School), Humanitarian Projects, Mangalam Jain TV Show, JAINA Interfaith Activities, Overcoming Fundamentalism, Boy Scouts of America, Jain Religion Emblem Awards Program. This event was co-sponsored by Jain Center of Greater Boston.

An award ceremony took place in the evening where Girish Shah of San Francisco was awarded the JAINA Ratna Award for his 30 years of contribution to Jainism, JAINA, and his local Jain Sangh. Additionally, JANA Recognition Awards were presented to Hasendra Shah CA, Mukesh Doshi IL, Padma Shah CA, Paresh Shah VA, Ramesh Doshi Amdavad India, Sunil Jain IL, Yogesh Shah CA, Ajay Dagli MI, Hemang Srikishan IL, Kritka Jain, CA, Saahil Jain CA, Shardule Shah MA. JAINA Presidential Award were given to Jain Center of Southern California, Institute of Jainology, D.R. Mehta from India, Hasmukh Shah, Shantilal Mutha from Pune, India. Courtesy: Dr. Tansukh Salgia, USA. The convention came to a close on Monday with the closing ceremonies and blessings from the monks and nuns.

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF JAINA

A new JAINA Executive Committee was elected at the JAINA 2011 Houston convention. The new team includes: Dr. Sushil Jain President, Mr. Prem Jain First VP, Mr. Ashok Domadia Secretary, Mr. Dipak Doshi Treasurer, Mr. Yogendra Jain VP North East, Mr. Haresh Shah VP Mid East, Dr. Deepika Dalal South East, Mr. Uday Jain VP South West, Dr. Manish Mehta VP Mid West, Mr. Rajen Dhami VP West, and Mrs. Lata Champsee Past President.

SPECIAL HONOUR RECIPIENTS OF THE MONTH

ALBERT EINSTEIN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE - 2011 TO JINENDRA KUMAR JAIN

It is a matter of pride for the entire Jain community that Shri Jinendra Kumar Jain, Veteran Editor of 'Jinendi' news paper, devoted to all the Jain sects has been selected for "Albert Einstein Award of Excellence -2011", by the American Biographical Institute. He is one of the 50 eminent persons, selected from all over the world for their humanitarian services and devotion to the society. Shri Jain has been recipient of several awards in the past. Ahimsa Foundation extends heartiest greetings and congratulations to him for the well-deserved award.



ANSHU JAIN APPOINTED CO-CEO AT DEUTSCHE BANK



Deutsche Bank has appointed Anshu Jain, 48 as Joint Chief Executive Officer, after long period of speculation. Anshu Jain will share the responsibilities with another board member Jürgen Fitschen. Anshu Jain will run banking operations in London and New York. Presently, his investment-banking unit accounts for about 75 percent of the bank's profits. Anshu Jain is credited with guiding Bank through the 2008 financial crisis safely. Unlike many other European and U.S. banks. It is believed that the bank decided on a dual CEO structure to avoid major culture shock. Jain is known as ambitious confident. He has a good vision, he communicates his vision well, and he's a good speaker. Brought up in Delhi, Jain earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Delhi. He moved to the U.S. when he was 19 and after earning an MBA from the University of Massachusetts worked at several U.S. banks before joining Deutsche Bank bank in London in 1995.

ANAND PRAKASH JAIN NOMINATED VICE-PRESIDENT OF A. I. STHANAKWASI JAIN CONFERENCE

Shri Anand Prakash Jain has been nominated as National Vice-President of All India S. S. Jain Conference by the National President, Shri Kesari Mal Ji Burad Jain at a meeting of the Conference held in Delhi on the 7th July, 2011.



VIVAKI EXCHANGE PROMOTES MONA JAIN AS CEO



She will continue to report to Ambika Srivastava, chairperson, VivaKi Exchange. Earlier, Jain was chief operating officer. VivaKi Exchange, the consolidated media buying arm of Starcom MediaVest Group, Zenith Optimedia, Solutions India and Digitas India, has promoted Mona Jain to the newly-created position of chief executive officer (CEO). She will continue to report to Ambika Srivastava, chairperson, VivaKi Exchange. Earlier, Jain was chief operating officer, VivaKi Exchange. In an official communiqué, Srivastava says, "I am extremely pleased to announce Jain's appointment as the first CEO of VivaKi Exchange. She is highly respected by the industry, our clients and media partners, as well as the teams of StarcomMediaVest Group and ZenithOptimedia for her integrity, passion, and for her ability to add and create value. Since her joining in 2005, Jain has ensured phenomenal growth for the group and has played an extraordinary role in upping the service and delivery quotient for clients and teams alike." Jain has more than two decades of expertise in marketing communications experience. Over the years, she has worked with agencies such as Hindustan Thompson, Contract Advertising, Mudra Communications, Zenith Optimedia and Cheil Communications. She has also had a short stint with Glaxo SmithKline, to gain experience on the client's side. Jain has worked with clients such as PepsiCo, Horlicks, McDonald's, Whirlpool, Frito-Lay, Hyundai, Hewlett-Packard (HP), Nokia, Nestle and Samsung, among others.

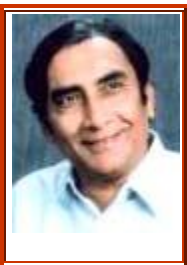
NEERAJ MEHTA TO HEAD ICAI CHAIR IN TORONTO, CANADA



A new chairperson has been elected to head the Toronto chapter of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI). Neeraj Mehta, a Chartered Accountant (CA) from India, currently working as a Financial Planner and Investment Advisor in Toronto, was voted to power last week with unanimous consent to the Board of the Toronto chapter. The Certified Financial Planner has worked in many countries including Canada, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and India. He has a B.Com Honours degree from the University of Delhi and has completed Canadian Investment Management focused on consulting, investment and commercial banking. The new Chairman's first priority will be to increase membership and ensure that more and more Indian CAs in the country participate in the activities of the Chapter. "There are currently around 700 Indian Chartered Accountants living in the Greater Toronto area, out of which 200 are members of the Toronto chapter," said Mehta. "It will be our endeavour that every Indian CA from India benefits from networking and professional development opportunities through our Chapter."

The Toronto chapter formed in 2006, an alumni association for members of ICAI living in Canada, also has a mandate to interact with professional bodies in Canada. "Part of our mandate is to liaise with the professional bodies in Canada like Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA), Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario (ICAO) and others to increase and enhance the awareness of ICAI and its members to eventually get full reciprocity," said Mehta. Earlier this year, in a historic move, ICAI also signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA) on reciprocal membership arrangements for Chartered Accountants from Canada and India. According to the MOU, an ICAI member who holds a recognized university degree will be eligible to become a Canadian CA by passing the Canadian Uniform Evaluation (UFE) and meeting the profession's experience requirements. Individuals with a Canadian CA designation will be eligible to become an ICAI member by passing the ICAI's examinations in corporate and allied laws and tax. "This is a significant step in the journey towards achieving full reciprocity in the future for which both the Institutes will continue to work together," says Mehta.

DR. KUMARPAL DESAI'S TO RELEASE HIS BOOK IN AMERICA



Under the auspices of the Jain Centre of Southern California Dr. Kumarpal Desai has been invited to deliver twenty discourses at Los Angelis on the Jain philosophy during the coming Paryushan Parva. In addition, the Jain centre of America of New York has also organised a public function during which a book entitled 'Ashtapad' jointly edited by Dr. Kumarpal Desai and Dr. Rajanikant Shah is to be released. Along with it 'Gautam Katha' has also been organised. The organisation of 'Gautam Katha' at the Patkar Hall, Mumbai recently was an instant success and had become so popular that it was thought appropriate to organise the same at New York also. Padmashri Dr. kumarpal Desai, an eminent litterateur and columnist was recently awarded 'Gaurav Puraskar' by the Gujarat Sahitya Academy. This award is conferred on the most eminent litterateur which includes a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000 and a citation. Courtesy: Mr. Nemu Chandaria E-Mail: nemuc@hotmail.com

CERTIFICATE COURSE IN MANUSCRITOLOGY JOINTLY ORGANISED

In the absence of appropriate scholars, a large number of manuscripts in the form of a rich treasure have remained stored unpublished in Gyan-bhandars, Institutions and Universities in India. It is estimated that about a crore manuscripts are scattered at different places and more significant is the fact that about one and half lakh of Indian manuscripts have been stored for years in South Asia and other Asian countries while sixty thousand of them are believed to be stored in European countries. In the state of Gujarat itself it is estimated that there are about twenty thousand manuscripts stored at different places for years. Out of these one crore manuscripts, only fifteen lakh have been catalogued while the rest have not even been classified.

Recently, under the joint auspices of three organisations, a certificate course of fifteen days was organised which covered two main areas namely, script-reading and script-editing. The three organisations which jointly organised the course were the Institute of Jainology (London and India), Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute (Pune) and Shri Mahavir Jain Aradhana Kendra (Koba). The students who had registered themselves for the course were imparted theoretical and practical training, both. The course was conducted at the Gujarat Vishwakosh Bhavan in Ahmedabad. The course was inaugurated by Sheth Shri Shrenikbhai Kasturbhai while the chief guest at the function was Padmabhushan Madhusudan Dhaki who emphasised in his speech the importance of the study of manuscripts in various of its aspects. Those who spoke on the occasion were Maitreyee Deshpande, Padmashri Kumarpal Desai, Mukesh Shah, Dhanvant Shah, Kanubhai Shah and Shreenand Bapat.

The entire course was jointly sponsored by Nemu Chandaria and Kumarpal Desai of the Institute of Jainology,; Maitreyee Deshpande and Shreenand Bapat of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Pune and Mukeshbhai Shah and Kanubhai Shah of the Mahavir Aradhana Kendra, Koba.

AHIMSA, VEGETARIANISM AND ANIMAL PROTECTION

PRODUCTION OF UK'S MOST EXPENSIVE "AHIMSA MILK" TO BE EXPANDED



Production of the most expensive pint of milk in the UK will be expanded after Hare Krishna farmers in Aldenham agreed a deal with a Kent dairy. Ahimsa milk, costing £2.40 per litre, or £1.70 a pint, is currently produced at Bhaktivedanta Manor, in Hilfield Lane, Aldenham, but officials at the temple have secured a deal to increase production. The Lotus Trust, which manages sales of the produce through its Ahimsa Milk Foundation, has agreed a deal with Common work Organic Dairy, in Kent, to produce more. Customers in Watford will be able to order the dairy product straight to their door, via a subscription, when production begins in July. The extraordinary produce costs more than double the price of organic milk due to the special treatment the pampered cows receive before and

during milking. The animals, considered holy by the Hare Krishna faith, are massaged during the process and scented candles and soothing music add to the calming atmosphere. No animals are ever slaughtered and elderly cows are given retirement to a sanctuary at approximately 13 years old, safe in the knowledge a pension scheme, derived from milk sales, will support them into their later years. Approximately 65p from every litre sold goes towards the animal's retirement fund, which covers hospice and vet costs. Sita Rama Das, director of the Lotus Trust, said: "It has been a lot of effort to get here and we're happy to provide this service to the public. We are very excited about how this project will develop in the future. "The Lotus Trust has been campaigning for better treatment of cows, and all money gained from this venture will be invested to promote care and better welfare for the animals." For more information visit www.ahimsamilk.org.

DREAM GIRL HEMA MALINI RAISES HER VOICE STRONGLY AT BULL FIGHT IN TAMILNADU



Famous cine-star Hema Malini has approached, Ministry of Environment, Government of India to immediately impose a ban on the bull-fight (Jallikattu) taking place regularly in various towns of Tamilnadu. This so-called game causes serious injuries to the bulls and in many cases, the bulls die due to cruelty during fighting. As a member of PETA, she feels strongly against this game. PETA has also filed a petition in the Supreme Court, which has been accepted for hearing. It is hoped that a complete ban shall be imposed by the Government in near future.

READERS' VIEWS & OBSERVATIONS

Dear Shri AK Jain sahib,

Sadar Jai Jinendra. For the June issue (Ahimsa Times) shat-shat abhivandan. I am sure, you would find inner peace through this mission. Please spread the eternal and immortal message of Ahimsa, satya, asteya, brahmacharya and aparigraha. There is no parallel to this noble atma dharma anywhere and any time and any other form. Once again I salute you. With warm regards Dev. Dr. C. Devakumar, FNAAS, Asst. Director General (Education, Plg. & Development), ICAR, KAB-II, Pusa Campus, New Delhi-110012, India, E-Mail : cdevakumar@gmail.com

Ahimsa Jainsamaj Team,

Congratulations to you all for developing such a good website and providing a good forum for all Jains. Suddenly I was tempted to become your member. Other than Finance professional, I am also a writer and poet. My articles are published leading Kannada and English magazines. With Best Regards, Mohanchand Patil, (Native of Hubli, Karnataka) , Sr. Manager Accounts, Solaris ChemTech Industries Ltd., (Thapar Group) PO Binaga - 581307, Karwar, Karnataka, India, E-Mail : mohanchand.patil@solarischemtech.com

पिछले कुछ दिनों से साधु जीवन के फेसबुक पर आने के बारे में कई श्रावको के विचार देख- हर आदमी जिस माहोल में रहता है, अथवा जीता है, उसके विचारों पर उस माहोल की छाप होना कोई नई बात नहीं है. जैन धर्म में साधु एवं श्रावको सभी के लिए जीवन शैली के नियम हैं, पर दुर्भाग्य से उन पर खरा उतरना सबके लिए आज के ज़माने में संभव नहीं रहा है. समय समय पर समाज में उसमें सुधार होते रहे. भगवान महावीर के समय के बनाये गए नियमों में तो इतना परिवर्तन आ गया है की मूल नियमों की मौलिकता खतम ही हो गयी है. समय के अंतराल में तत्कालीन धर्माचार्यों ने कई वांछित कारणों से कई परिवर्तनों को सहज ही स्वीकार कर लिया, तो कुछ में मतभेद होने पर संप्रदायों का विभाजन भी होता रहा. आज तक केवल अकेले महावीर के कितने गच्छ बने हैं और कितने विद्यमान हैं. इसके बारे में आप सब जानते हैं. विचारों का मतभेद ही केवल इसका कारण नहीं रहा है, और भी कारण रहे हैं. उस समय से आजतक जो भी परिवर्तन आये हैं, उसे हम किसी न किसी रूप में जाने अनजाने में स्वीकार करते आये हैं. पुराने समय में साधु समुदाय पैदल ही नंगे पैर विहार करता था. पर आज साधनों का उपयोग हो रहा है, जुते पहनना भी कही कही मान्य हो गया है, तो दिगंबर साधु तो अभी भी दिगंबर ही हैं. इलेक्ट्रिक साधनों का उपयोग कहीं पर मान्य है तो कहीं पर अमान्य है. ये केवल उदाहरण मात्र हैं. और भी कई विभिन्ताये अपने धर्म में विद्यमान हैं. जो भी हैं, सत्य है, हमारा तो केवल इतना कहना है की आप क्या मान्यताये मानते हैं या नहीं मानते हैं. आपका उद्देश्य केवल धर्म की प्रभावना ही होना चाहिये. धर्म की प्रभावना के लिए यदि साधु लोग फेसबुक का सदुपयोग करते हैं तो गलत नहीं है.

हो सकता है कि कई लोग इस विचार से सहमत नहीं होंगे, मेरा तो उनसे निवेदन है कि यदि आधुनिक युग में हमें आगे रहना है, तो खुले दिमाग से ही जीना पड़ेगा, चाहे वो परिवार का मामला हो, या समाज का या देश का. समय के साथ सीमा के अंदर हमें परिवर्तन स्वीकार करने हैं. नई टेक्नोलोजी का धर्म प्रचार एवं प्रभावना में सदुपयोग करने में मुझे कोई बुराई नजर नहीं आती.

LEATHER SHOES FOR ARMY- Today in the news paper, I read about supply of leather shoes to military persons. Innumerable cows will be killed for this. All should oppose it. Request all to response strongly against it. Thank you. Dr. Kanhaiyalal Sharma, E-Mail: kanhaiyalalsharma@gmail.com

CHATURMAS 2011 NEWS

CHATURMAS OF JAIN SAINTS AND SADHWI

Digambar Jain sect

1. Acharya Shri Vardhman Sagar Ji Maharaj from Digambar Jain sect at Sammed Shikhar Ji, Jharkhand.
2. Acharya Shri Bharat sagar Ji Maharaj at Surat.
3. Acharya Shri Sunil Sagar Ji Maharaj with other Digambar saints, aryikas, kshullaks and Kshullakas at Borivalli (W), Mumbai.
4. Acharya Ganacharya-108 Shri Virag Sagar Ji Maharaj at Madan Garh, Kishan Garh (Ajmer).
5. Upadhyay Shri Nayan Sagar Ji Maharaj at Rishabh Vihar, Delhi.
- 6 Muni Shri Saurabh Sagar Ji Maharaj at Lucknow.

- 7 Muni Shri Anekant Sagar Ji Maharaj at Jaipur.
8. Muni Shri Pulak Sagar Ji Maharaj at Jaipur.
9. Muni Tarun Sagar Ji Maharaj from Digambar sect at Udaipur, Rajasthan.

Shwetambar Terapanthi Sect

1. Acharya Shri Mahashraman Ji Maharaj from Shwetambar Tera Panth sect at Kelwa in Udaipur district of Rajasthan.
2. Muni Ramesh Kumar Ji Maharaj disciple of Acharya Shri Mahashraman Ji of Terapanth sect at Kota.

Shwetambar Murti-Pujak Sect

1. Acharya Shri Gunratna Surishwar Ji Maharaj alongwith Acharya Shri Rashmi Ratna Surishwar Ji Maharaj at Shahibagh, Ahmedabad.
2. Acharya Shri Pooran Chandra Suri Ji Maharaj from Shwetambar Murti-Pujak sect at Shankheshwar in Gujarat.
3. Acharya Shri Arhamprabh Vijay Ji Maharaj and others at Dhanera, Gujarat.
3. Maha Sadhwi Shri Piyush Poorna Ji Maharaj belonging to Shwetambar Jain Murti-pujak sect at Roshan Mohalla, Agra.
4. Maha Sadhwi Shri Mani Prabha Ji Maharaj with others at Jodhpur.
5. Shasan-Deepika Suranjana Shri Ji Maharaj, Shri Sidhanjana Ji Maharaj and others at gandhidham in Gujarat.
6. Gachhadhipati Acharya Shri Daulat Sagar Surishwar Ji Maharaj at Ahmedabad.

Shwetambar Sthanakwasi Sect- Shraman Sangh

1. Acharya Dr. Shiv Muni Ji Maharaj, Head of Shraman sangh at Veer Nagar, Jain colony, Near Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi-7
2. Upadhyay Shri Hem Chandra Ji Maharaj and others at Bhagwan Das Nagar, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-26.
3. Upadhyay Shri Ramesh Muni Ji Maharaj, Up-Pravartak Shri Rajendra Muni Ji and other saints at Rishabh Vihar, Delhi-92
4. Upadhyay Shri Ravindra Muni Ji Maharaj and others at Jain Sthanak Marg, Trinagar, Delhi-35
5. Shraman Sanghi Adviser Shri Sumati Prakash Ji Maharaj, Dr. Vishal Muni Ji and others at Civil Lines, Ludhiana.
6. Upadhyay Shri Jitendra Muni Ji Maharaj and others at Derabassi, via patiala, Punjab
6. Pravartak Shri Amar Muni Ji Maharaj with others at Atm nagar, Atm Park, Ludhiana.
7. Upadhyay Shri Manohar Muni Ji Maharaj with others at SEctor 14, Urban Estate, Karnal, Haryana
8. Pravartak Shri Roop Chand Ji Maharaj (Rajat), Up-Pravartak Shri Sukan Muni Ji Maharaj at Jas Nagar, Tehsil Merta, Raj.
9. Upadhyay Shri Mool Chand Ji Maharaj with others at Mahavir Nagar, Indore.
10. Pravartak Shri Ramesh Muni Ji Maharaj and others at Mahavir Marg, Javra, Dist. Ratlam, M. P.
11. Pravartak Shri Kundan rishi Ji Maharaj with others at Mumbai bazar, Post Ghod Nadi, Dist. Pune.
12. Adviser Shri Dinesh Muni Ji Maharaj with others at Mahavir Bhaan, Bhatar road, Surat.
13. Upadhyay Shri Pravin Rishi Ji Maharaj at Car Street, Ulsoor, Bangalore.
14. Ganadheesh Shri Umesh Muni Ji Maharaj at Taal, M. P.
15. Gurudev Shri Saubhagya Mal Ji Maharaj at Sthanakwasi Jain Shrawak Sangh, Bhutala.
16. Sadhwi Shri Urmila Shri Ji disciple of Acharya Dr. Shiv Muni Ji Maharaj at South Delhi.
17. Pravartini Shri Chandana Ji Maharaj at Mahavir Sadhna Kendra, Mahavir Marg, Sector 4, Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur.
18. Mahasati Shri Gyan prabha Ji Maharaj at Sthanakwasi Jain Shrawak Sngh, Pali, Marwar.
19. Mahasati Shree Maniprabha Ji maharaj from Khartargachha sect at Jodhpur.

Shwetambar Sthanakwasi sect- Jain Ratna Hiteishi Shrawak Sangh

1. Acharya Pravar Shri Hira Chandra Ji Maharaj alongwith ten other saints at Dharma Narayan Ji Ka Hatha, Paota, Jodhpur.
2. Upadhyay Shri Man Chandra Ji Maharaj, Shri gautam Muni Ji and others at Ganesh Chowk, Nagaur, Raj.
3. Sadhwi Pramukh Maha sati Shri Maina Sundari Ji Maharaj with others at Dharma Narayan Ji Ka Hatha, Paota, Jodhpur.

Other Jain sects

1. Acharya Shri Ram Lal Ji Maharaj disciple of Shri Nana Lal Ji Maharaj and others at Chennai.
2. Gachhadhipati Shri Prakash Muni Ji Maharaj disciple of Shri Champa Lal Ji Maharaj and others at Bhilwara, Raj.
3. Acharya Shri Sudarshan Lal Ji Maharaj from Nanak Vansh at Shahi Bagh, Ahmedabad.
- 4 Acharya Shri Gyan Muni Ji Maharaj from Gyan Gachha at Jalgaon M. P.
5. Acharya Shri Vijay Raj Ji Maharaj at Kilpak, Chennai.
6. Poojya Shri Dheeraj Muni Maharaj with others in the group belonging to Gondal sampraday at Borivalli (West), Mumbai.
7. Shri Bhaskar Ji Swami, disciple of Shri Bhav Chandra Swami Ji Maharaj of Ajramar Sampraday at Bhuj in Gujarat.

PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH

लेफ्टिनेंट अर्चित वर्डिया सियाचिन में शहीद



उदयपुर दिनांक : 22 जुलाई 2011, समुद्र तल से लगभग 19 हजार फीट की उंचाई पर स्थित सियाचीन में भारतीय थल सेना की चौकी 'अशोक' में बुधवार दिनांक 21 जुलाई 2011 को रात करीब नौ बजे बंकर विस्फोट में लेफ्टिनेंट अर्चित वर्डिया व अन्य साथी शहीद हो गए। देशसेवा में जान न्योछावर करने वाले लाडले अर्चित वर्डिया के शहीद होने के समाचार सुनकर उदयपुरवासियों का सीना चौड़ा व आंखें नम हो गईं। उल्लेखनीय है कि तेईस वर्षीय उदयपुर (राज.) निवासी लेफ्टिनेंट अर्चित वर्डिया श्रमण संघ के तृतीय आचार्य सम्माट श्री देवेन्द्र मुनि जी म. का संसार पक्षीय भतीजा था। लेफ्टिनेंट अर्चित वर्डिया की सेना में नौकरी करीब सवा साल पुरानी थी। उसे थल सेना की 197 मीडियम रेजीमेन्ट में गत वर्ष 20 मार्च को कमीशन प्रदान किया गया था। सियाचीन में पशिक्षण के दौरान वह सेना की 13 महार रेजीमेन्ट के साथ अटैच था हादसे में एक मेजर व अन्य जवान शहीद हुए हैं। श्री तारक गुरु जैन ग्रन्थालय के मंत्री वीरेन्द्र डांगी शहीद लेफ्टिनेंट अर्चित के बड़े पापा व ताउ नरेन्द्र वर्डिया हैं। व शहीद अर्चित के पापा का निधन डेढ़ वर्ष पूर्व हो गया था।

उदयपुर जिले का प्रथम लेफ्टिनेंट :- सैनिक कल्याण कार्यालय के अनुसार उदयपुर जिले से शहीद सैनिकों की संख्या 14 है अर्चित 15वां तथा लेफ्टिनेंट के रूप में प्रथम सैनिक है जो वॉर्डर पर शहीद हुआ है।

ARVIND JAIN AT THE HELM OF INNOVATIONS AT GOOGLE



Arvind Jain works as a Director of Engineering at Google. He is responsible for developing new Google products. He is also heading "Make the Web faster" initiative. He also helped establish the W3C's Web Performance Working Group and co-chairs it. In the past, he helped build the Youtube video serving system and Googlebot. Arvind Jain's efforts have given great results in improving the speed of Google Search. But, that's not enough. When you click on a result, you want that page to load instantly as well. Congratulations Mr. Arvind Jain.

NEW BOOKS ON JAINISM

ACHARYA VIDYASAGAR'S BOOK "SILENT EARTH" PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT



New Delhi, The first copy of "The Silent Earth", English translation of the Hindi epic poem "Mukamati" authored by Jain saint poet Acharya Vidyasagar was presented to President Pratibha Devisingh Patil at the Rashtrapati Bhavan. The epic presents the Jain religious philosophy and spirituality by making the soil (Mati) the subject matter as it is from the base clay that the potter artistically crafts the sacred pitchers worthy of worship. He kneads the soil, crushes it, removes impurities and provides the requisite shape at his wheel and then bakes it in a furnace. The process is used as a metaphor for the journey of the soul to attain liberation from the bondage of "Karma" and advance towards a stage of perfect purification.

During the course of the 488-page work, references are made to modern scientific trends, about the destructive power of the atom and faith as the saviour. "Over and above, the machine is thundering, beneath it, the holy incantation is being sung, the one is a killer, the other is a saviour..." goes the poem. A reference to terrorism too comes up. "Till terrorism is alive, This earth can't take the breath of peace," says the Acharya. At another place, the author says about elevation of the soul. "Pay homage to humility which is the mother of eminence..." Among the recurring symbols used in the epic are Mukamati, the heroine as a symbol of the recurrence the life cycle, the potter-artisan, a symbol of the "Mahamuni", the great ascetic who moulds the feelings, thoughts and conduct of a votary householder (the hero) to advance on the true path of spiritualism. The book is published by Bharatiya Jnanpith, E-Mail: sales@jnanpith.net and priced at Rs 350, has been translated into English by Mr. Lal Chandra Jain (Ex Lecturer, Varni Jain Inter Collage, 39/625 Aalok Bhawan, Chhatrasalpur,

CHAUBIS TIRTHANKAR (HINDI), Author: Dr. Rajendra Muni M.A, Ph.D, Sahitya -Ratna Shastri, Mahopadhyay, Kavya-Teerth. Pages: 270, Price: Rs.100,Publishers: Navkar Teerth Atishay Kshetra, Ghevara Mod, Delhi-110041 (India)



Original edition: May, 1976, Revised edition: July, 2011, Twenty four Tirthankaras, starting from Sri Rishabh Dev to Shri Mahavir Swami are the foremost revered apostles of Jain religion, who had attained the highest abode called Moksha (Salvation) in different periods of time, spreading the gospel of non-violence, truth (satya), non-stealing (acharya), celibacy (brahmacharya) and non-possessiveness (aparigraha) among the masses. Dr. Rajendra Muni, a Jain saint and a learned disciple of Late Acharya Devendra Muni is an author of around 40 books on various aspects of Jainism. In this one having presented short description of all the tirthankars throwing light on the salient features of their life including their past life, present life in which they attained 'Moksha', growth, initiation, keval gyan, saintly life and vihar; thereby spreading the principles of Jainism and finally attainment of eternal peace. This book has been written in a simple, lucid and scholarly manner giving adequate references of Jain agams, other agamic literature, Upanishads, articles written by Jain scholars and acharyas. It would be an asset not only in Jain institutions and their libraries but also to those interested in learning or preaching the essence of Jainism. A copy of this book should find a place in each and every Jain family.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS CLIPPINGS

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डाउनलोड करे फ्री भजन, तीर्थंकर स्तुति, णमोकार मंत्र, भक्तामर स्तोत्र, छह ढाला, मेरी भावना, आलोचना पाठ, पूजा कैसे करे, स्तवन, जिनेन्द्र देव पूजा पाठ, देव शास्त्र गुरु अध्यात्मिक भजन भक्ति, आरती, रविन्द्र जैन का रचित अध्यात्मिक भजन संग्रह, चालीसा, दुर्लभ पुराने भक्तिमय भजन, दुर्लभ विडियो, ऑडियो, महान आचार्य संतो के दुर्लभ प्रवचन, MP3 इत्यादि...
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LAUNCH OF JAIN STUDIES PROGRAM AT CLAYTON LINCOLN UNIVERSITY ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2011.

This is an historic event for Jain academic studies and for the Jain community. The convocation event will be televised by national media such as by PBS and the LA Times. Mrs. Pramodaben Chitrabhanu will do the Manglacharan. In addition, several Jain community leaders, Jain scholars and senior university officials will also speak and welcome the Jain partnership with Claremont Lincoln University.



GREAT MEN'S VIEW ON JAINISM

"In conclusion let me assert my conviction that Jainism is an original system, quite distinct and independent from all others; and that therefore it is of great importance for the study of philosophical thoughts and religious life in ancient India." - Dr. Herman Jacobi.

"What would be the condition of the Indian Sanskrit literature if the contribution of the Jains were removed? The more I study Jain literature the more happy and wonder struck I am." - Dr. Hertel, Germany.

"Jainism is of a very high order. Its important teachings are based upon science. The more the scientific knowledge advances the more that Jain teachings will be proven." - L. P. Tassetori, Italy.

"I adore so greatly the principles of the Jain religion, that I would like to be reborn in a Jain community." - George Bernard Shaw.

"Lofty ideas and high ascetic practices are found in Jainism. It is impossible to know the beginning of Jainism." - Major-General Forlong.

"The Jains have written great masterpieces only for the benefit of the world." - Dr. Hertel, Germany.

"I say with conviction that the doctrine for which the name of Lord Mahavir is glorified nowadays is the doctrine of Ahimsa. If anyone has practiced to the fullest extent and has propagated most the doctrine of Ahimsa, it was Lord Mahavira." - Mahatma Gandhi.

"Mahavira proclaimed in India that religion is a reality and not a mere social convention. It is really true that salvation can not be had by merely observing external ceremonies. Religion cannot make any difference between man and man." - Dr. Rabindranath Tagore.

"We learn from scriptures (Sashtras) and commentaries that Jainism is existing from beginningless time. This fact is indisputable and free from difference of opinion. There is much historical evidence on this point." - Lokamanya Bala Gangadhar Tilak.

"Jainism has contributed to the world the sublime doctrine of Ahimsa. No other religion has emphasized the importance of Ahimsa and carried its practice to the extent that Jainism has done. Jainism deserves to become the universal religion because of its Ahimsa doctrine." - Justice Ranglekar, Bombay High Court.

"The Jain Sadhu leads a life which is praised by all. He practices the vratas and rites strictly and shows to the world the way one has to go in order to realize the atma (soul). Even the life of a Jain householder is so faultless that India should be proud of him." - Dr. Satischandra Vidhya Bhushan.

"The right of welcoming the delegates of the universal peace organization belongs to the Jains only. Because Ahimsa alone contributes to the establishment of universal peace. Tirthankaras, the propounders of Jainism, preached to the world the Ahimsa doctrine. Therefore, who else except the followers of Bhagavan Parsvanath and Mahavira can preach universal peace?" - Dr. Radha Vinodpal.

"There is nothing wonderful in my saying that Jainism was in existence long before the Vedas were composed." - Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Vice-President, India.

"Truly speaking, Jainism is an independent and original religion, for it is neither Hinduism nor Vedic religion, but ofcourse it is an aspect of Indian life, culture, and philosophy." - Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister, India.

"I am not Rama. I have no desire for material things. Like Jina I want to establish peace within myself." - Yoga Vasishta, Chapter 15, Sloka 8 the saying of Rama.

"O Arhan! You are equipped with the arrow of Vastuswarpa, the law of teaching, and the ornaments of the four infinite qualities. O Arhan! You have attained omniscient knowledge in which the universe is reflected. O Arhan! You are the protector of all the Souls (Jivas) in the world. O Arhan! The destroyer of kama (lust)! There is no strong person equal to you." -- Yajur Veda, Chapter 19, Mantra 14.

JAIN COSMOLOGY

Jains do not accept the theory that there is someone or some power as a creator of the universe. The Jain theory is that the universe has no beginning or end. It is traced to jiva and ajiva, the two everlasting, uncreated, independent and coexisting categories. Consciousness is jiva. That which has no consciousness is ajiva. There are five substances of a jiva:

Dharma	the medium of motion
Adharma	the medium of rest
Akasha	space
Pudgala	matter
Kala	time

Pudgala (matter) has form and consists of individual atoms (paramanu) and conglomerates of atoms (skandha) which can be seen, heard, smelt, tasted and/or touched. According to Jains, energy, or the phenomena of sound, darkness, shade, heat, light and the like, is produced by conglomerates of atoms.

The jiva (soul) has no form but, during its worldly career, it is vested with a body and becomes subject to an inflow of karmic 'dust' (asravas). These are the subtle material particles that are drawn to a soul because of its worldly activities. The asravas bind the soul to the physical world until they have brought about the karmic result when they fall away 'like ripe fruit' by which time other actions have drawn more asravas to the soul.

With the exception of the Arihants (the Ever-Perfect) and the Siddhas (the Liberated), who have dispelled the passions which provide the 'glue' for the asravas, all souls are in karmic bondage to the universe. They go through a continuous cycle of death and rebirth in a personal evolution that can lead at last to moksha (eternal release). In this cycle there are countless souls at different stages of their personal evolution; earth- bodies, water-bodies, fire-bodies, air-bodies, vegetable-bodies, and mobile bodies ranging from bacteria, insects, worms, birds and larger animals to human beings, infernal beings and celestial beings.

The Jain evolutionary theory is based on a grading of the physical bodies containing souls according to the degree of sensory perception. All souls are equal but are bound by varying amounts of asravas (karmic particles) which is reflected in the type of body they inhabit. The lowest form of physical body has only the sense of touch. Trees and vegetation have the sense of touch and are therefore able to experience pleasure and pain, and have souls. Mahavira taught that only the one who understood the grave demerit and detriment caused by destruction of plants and trees understood the meaning and merit of reverence for nature. Even metals and stones might have life in them and should not be dealt with recklessly.

Above the single-sense jivas are micro-organisms and small animals with two, three or four senses. Higher in the order are the jivas with five senses. The highest grade of animals and human beings also possess rationality and intuition (manas). As a highly evolved form of life, human beings have a great moral responsibility in their mutual dealings and in their relationship with the rest of the universe. It is this conception of life and its eternal coherence, in which human beings have an inescapable ethical responsibility that made the Jain tradition a cradle for the creed of environmental protection and harmony. Courtesy: Bhartiya Jain Milan.

SKY IS THE LIMIT FOR OUR POWERS: SUPREME COURT



New Delhi: Amidst criticism of judicial activism, the Supreme Court asserted that sky is the limit for exercising its extraordinary constitutional powers to pass any order in the interest of justice, even if it means bypassing statutory provisions. A bench of justices J. M. Panchal and H L Gokhale passed the ruling while restoring the charge under Section 498A (harassment of wife) by husband or other family members against a police officer A Subash Babu on the complaint of his second wife. The apex court rejected the AP high court's reasoning that since marriage of the accused with another woman during the subsistence of the first marriage was void, the second wife cannot lodge a complaint under Section 498A. "Article 136 is a special jurisdiction. It is residuary power.

It is extraordinary in its amplitude. The limits of Supreme Court when it chases injustice, is the sky itself. Further, the powers under Article 136 can be exercised by the Supreme Court, in favour of a party even suo motu when the court is satisfied that compelling grounds for its exercise exist," Justice Panchal writing the judgement observed. Under Article 136 the apex court can grant permission to a person to appeal against any order/judgment of the high court or any subordinate court or tribunal. The apex court further said that in bigamy cases, the magistrate can take cognisance of the offence on the basis of a police report also and it was not necessary that there should be direct complaint from victim or some other family member.

POSTAL STAMP RELEASED TO HONOUR DR. D. S. KOTHARI



India Post issued a commemorative stamp on well-known Jain scientist and educationist, Dr. Daulat Singh Kothari on 6th July 2011. Daulat Singh Kothari (1905–1993) was an eminent Indian scientist. He was born in Udaipur on 6th July 1905. He had his early education at Udaipur and Indore and did MSC in physics from Allahabad University in 1928 under guidance of great physicist Megh Nad Saha.

He worked in Delhi University from 1934 to 1961 in various capacities as reader, professor and Head of the Physics department. He was scientific advisor to Ministry of defence from 1948 to 1961. He was appointed as chairperson of University Grants Commission in 1961 where he worked till 1973.

Dr. Kothari was General President of the Indian Science Congress at its golden jubilee session in 1963. He was elected President of Indian National Science Academy in 1973. His notable research on Statistical Thermodynamics and Theory of White Dwarf Stars gave him international reputation. The Padma Bhushan Award was conferred on him in 1962, and the Padma Vibhushan Award in 1973. Source: - Sudhir Jain, E-Mail :mrsudhirjain@hotmail.com

95 PERCENT BENEFITS OF MINORITIES GO TO SIKHS AND JAINS -MAULANA ABDUL HAMEED

New Delhi: Maulana Abdul Hameed No'mani, secretary of Jamiatul Ulama-e Hind said, while talking to media persons here that Delhi State Minorities Commission and Minorities Financial Development Corporation etc. are simply to befool Muslims because Muslims have not benefited from them in any way. Rather, he said, only people belonging to Sikh and Jain communities are deriving the benefits from all the welfare schemes set up and meant for Muslims.

He said that inclusion of Sikhs and Jains among minorities itself is beyond comprehension, adding that "minorities" can be declared those communities which have their own personal laws but Sikhs and Jains do not have their personal laws. He said that the Ministry for Minority Affairs was created at the Centre to identify and understand the problems and difficulties of Muslims and for their solution and progress but Muslims are not getting any benefit from this ministry also.

He said that the government had appointed Sachar Committee to assess the situation, problems and difficulties of Muslims but after the submission of its report, the then minister of minorities affairs Abdur Rahman Antulay changed the word 'Muslim' to 'minority'. Today, he said, the position is that 95 percent benefits of the schemes made for the welfare and development of minorities are derived by Sikhs and Jains whereas Muslims are not getting the benefits of even the remaining 5%. He said that if the government wants to take Muslims out of backwardness, it should prepare schemes not in the name of minorities but solely in the name of Muslims.

On the other hand, nationalised banks, which are all government banks, have blacklisted Delhi's Muslim-populated localities like Jamia Nagar, Jama Masjid, Seelampur, Mustafabad etc. and because of this, Muslims do not get loans from them. He demanded that the Reserve Bank of India should issue strict instructions to all banks in this connection so that Muslims also should derive benefits from banks.

APPLICATION UNDER RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005 BY AHIMSA FOUNDATION

At the request and on behalf of community, Ahimsa Foundation has taken the initiative to seek information about slaughter houses from the U. P. and Maharashtra State Governments and discoveries of enormous wealth in temples. Reply to the applications is still awaited. The application is reproduced below.

To
Chief Information Commissioner
Uttar Pradesh Information Commission
6th Floor, Indira Bhawan, Lucknow,
Uttar Pradesh - 226 001

Sir,
Subject: Information requested on Slaughter Houses in U.P. under RTI Act
Ahimsa Foundation, 21, Skipper House, 9, Pusa Road, New Delhi- 110005, wishes to seek the following information under Right to Information Act:

1. What is U. P. Government's Policy regarding slaughter houses?
2. How many slaughter houses are in operation in the state presently?
3. What are the criteria for issuing new slaughter house licenses?
4. Whether government has undertaken any study on effects of slaughter houses have on environment?
5. What is the government's policy in order to prevent cruelty against animals?
6. Whether the government provides any kind of incentive's) to slaughter houses?
7. Whether cow slaughter has any special reference in the government policy?

8. How many cases have been registered regarding offences relating to illegal trafficking of animals & irregularities in various slaughter houses in the past 3 years?

For Ahimsa Foundation, A. K. Jain, Trustee

To,
The Public Information Officer,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
New Delhi

Sir

SUBJECT: WEALTH DISCOVERED IN TEMPLES

Ahimsa Foundation, 21, Skipper House, 9, Pusa Road, New Delhi- 110005, wishes to seek information on wealth discovered in various temples recently. A lot of wealth in the form of gold, silver, diamonds and precious stones in the form of ornaments, statues, coins etc. is being discovered from time to time in Indian Temples. The matter is being regularly reported through Indian news papers and television channels. In this regard, we request you to provide the following information.

1. What are the major wealth discoveries in last five years? Please inform the name of the temple(s) / Institution(s) and the approximate value of items discovered.
2. What is the policy of the Central Government towards ancient treasures discovered in last 5 years in Indian temples during excavation or accidentally?
3. When these discoveries are reported in news media, what action is taken by Government to ensure the recording of correct inventory?
4. What is the Government policy towards storage and application of these treasures?
5. What is the status of Treasure (mainly silver blocks) discovery at Jagannath Puri Temple at Orissa & Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple in Kerala in 2011? Who is in possession of this treasure presently?
6. Whether Government is declaring these items as national assets?
7. Whether these assets are subject to any kind of taxes?
8. Whether government has appointed any committee or commission to monitor and regulate discovered treasures?
9. What is the role of State Government?
10. What kind of security is provided to discovered treasure?

For Ahimsa Foundation, A. K. Jain, Trustee

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6	06.08.2011	Pashvanath Moksh Kalyanak	Shravanasudi- 08
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8	16.08.2011	Sidhiyog	
9	21.08.2011	Chandra Prabhu Swami Moksh Kalyanak	Bhadrapad wadi- 07
10	21.08.2011	Shanti Nath Chyawan Kalyanak	Bhadrapad wadi- 07
11	22.08.2011	Pashvanath Chyawan Kalyanak	Bhadrapad wadi- 08
12	25.08.2011	Sidhiyog	
13	25.08.2011	Payusan Mahaparva Prarambh	Bhadrapadwadi -11

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