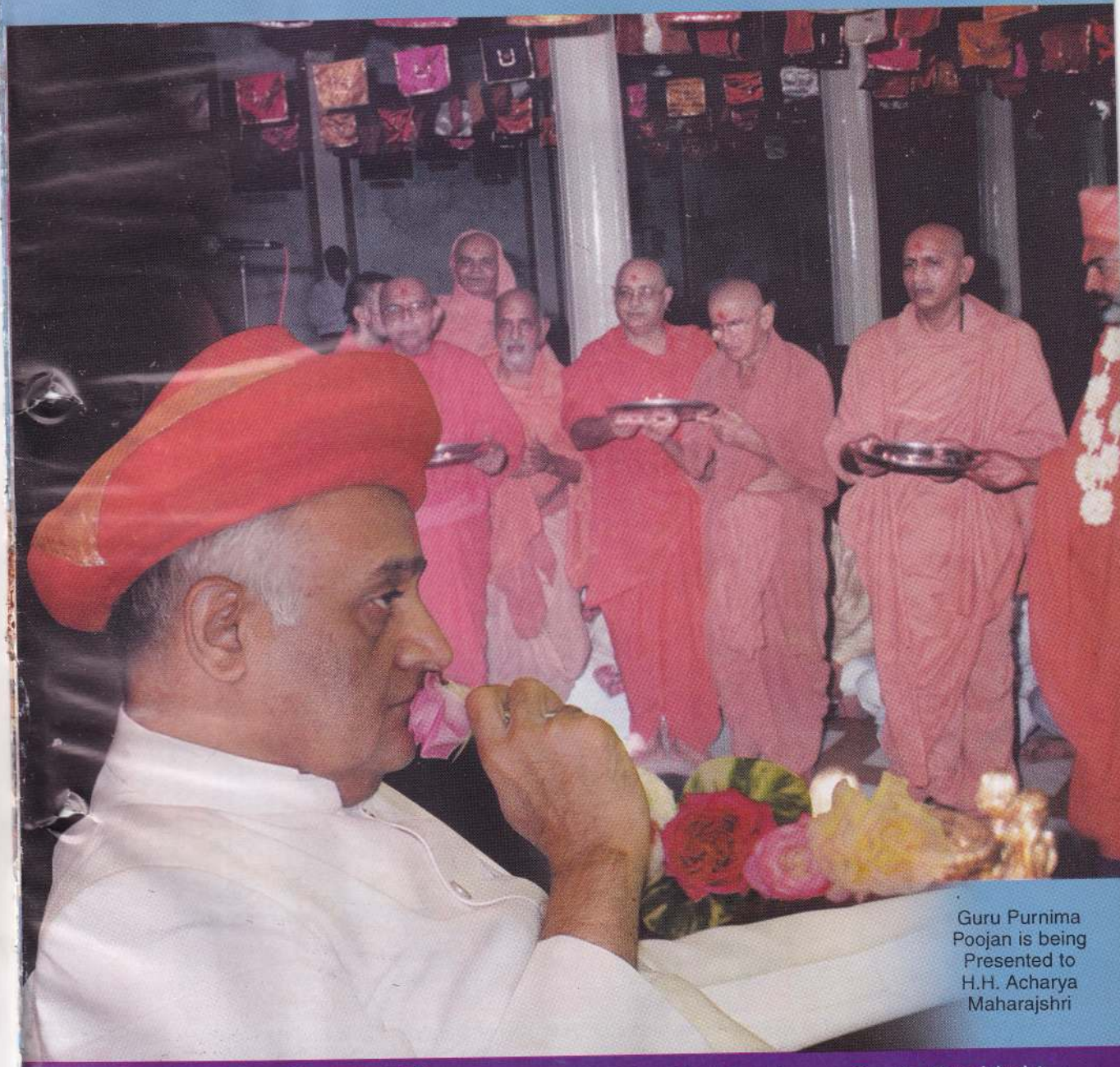
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The Hosts at Nasitpur present Pooja-Aarti to H.H. Acharya Maharajshri on installation ceremony of the idols of God.



H.H. Lalji Maharajshri at the Khat Muhurt rituals held for the school-building at Nasitpur. Seen with him are Shastri Purnaprakashdasji and the hosts.



H.H. Lalji Maharajshri helps Shri Hari to grace new Sukh-Shayya made of gold. Mahant Swami Shastri Ghanshyamprakashdasji is present at the inner temple.



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EDITORIAL

The Status of the Guru is very high in Indian culture. The aspirants in the world, search anxiously and non-stop for a Guru who takes them to Supreme Lord. All such disciples are bound and attached firmly with their Guru by a strong bond of devotional love. Each true aspirant - a true disciple – attaches himself to a Guru – one and unique preceptor – but there are some, who bow at and touch their heads to many in a blind faith.

The birthday of the universal Guru – the birthday of Bhagwan Ved Vyasa : Badrayana – the full moon day of Ashadha – is being celebrated every year as Guru Purnima – the day of honouring the Guru. Mankind in general pays respect to their guru by offering poojan Archan and gifts.

We should learn from the life of Guru Ramanad Swami that a Guru who is not enlightened by the true knowledge should be forsaken for ultimate good of the soul. S.G. Muktanand Swami and his saintly life is like a beacon for us, for we aspirants. The great tradition of the Dharm Vanshi Acharya, founded by Bhagwan Swaminarayan himself is a divine boon for the entire Satsnaig. We bow at - our Acharya our Guru – our preceptor.

H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 Shri Tejendraprasadji Maharajshri graces the highest seat of supreme preceptor to bless and guide us on the path of ultimate benediction and eternal peace. SG. Nikshkulanand Swami says :

"ગુરુકૃપાએ સુખ પામીએ, ગુરુકૃપાએ ઉપજે જ્ઞાન,
નિષ્કુળાનંદ ગુરુકૃપા કરે તો, આપે અવિચળ દાન"

(Knowledge and happiness are attainable at the pleasure of Guru. Nishkulanand Swami says that by pleasure of his Guru, a devotee attains eternal rewards).

Our Guru Acharya Maharajshri showers his hearty blessings on this Satsang of Shri Hari. The aspirants who have received Guru Mantra and Kanthi from this Guru shall be blessed with 'Avichala Pada' – the heavenly abode of Akshardhaam. About ten thousand devotees from India and abroad have received blissful pleasure from the Guru – Acharya - by presenting Poojan-Archan to H.H. Acharya Maharajshri on auspicious Guru Purnima day of the Platinum Jubilee Year.

Dear Devotees ! Lord Swaminarayan Bhagwan has blessed us eternally by installing Dharmvanshi Acharya. Act as a faithful disciple of him and earn the pleasure of Shri Hari.

- Shastri Swami Nirgundas
Editor
Shri Swaminarayan.



Appointment Diary of H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 Shri Tejendraprasadji Maharajshri

June-2004

22-5-04 to 27-6-04 Religious tour of U.K. And U.S.A. to grace in London - U.K. the religious festival organised by the Haribhaktas of Narayanpar (Kutch) and to bless thereafter the Satsang of U.S.A.

28-6-04 Graced Shri Narnarayandev Desh Peeth, Ahmedabad.



Appointment Diary of Future Acharya Respected Shri Lalji Maharajshri

June-2004

2-4 Graced Parayan Satsang at Haridwar (U.P.) Temple.

6. Graced Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Narayanghat and presented ceremoniously the gold bedstead to Lord Shri Hari.

11. Graced the residence of Dr. Dilipbhai Ameta, Jivrajprak, Ahmedabad.

14. Graced Patotsava ceremony of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Vadnagar.

15. Graced Patotsava Ceremoy of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Khokhra Memadavad.
Graced "Shri Ghanshyam Emporium" Khokhra, Mahemadabad.
Graced the residance of Shri Maganbhai K. Patel, Khokhara, Mahemdabad.

19. Graced Patotsava ceremony of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Harshad colony, Bapunagar, Ahmedabad.
Graced inauguration ceremony of 'Yash-Kirti Dairy', Vastral, Ahmedabad.
Graced inauguration ceremony of 'Navkar Drugs,' Ambavadi, Ahmedabad.
Graced inauguration ceremony of the show room "Soni Jagdishchandra Ambalal" Niranaynagar, Ahmedabad.

20. Graced Kothamba to bless the devotees.

21. Graced inauguration ceremony of "Bhagat Auto Consult" (Shri Rambhai Bhagat - Balolwala), Navrangpura, Ahmedabad.

22. Graced Shri Sahajanand Gurukul, Koteshwar, Ahmedabad.

23. Graced inauguration ceremony of "Socretes Education." (Shri Dalsukhbhai V. Devani), Satellite, Ahmedabad.

24. Graced Shri Swaminarayan Mandir (Ladies), Viramgam.

25. Graced Shri Jetalpurdhaam to bless the devotees.
Graced evening Satsang at Sanand.

28. Graced inauguration ceremony of "Yamana Hardware" (Shri Madhavlal Kachardas Patel), Dariapur, Ahmedabad.

॥ श्रीहरिः ॥



PURUSHOTTAM MAAS CELEBRATIONS IN BENIGN PRESENCE OF LORD NARNARAYANDEV AT SHRI SWAMINARAYAN MANDIR, KALUPUR, AHMEDABAD

Dear Haribhaktas,

It gives us great devotional pleasure to announce that the sacred month Purushottam Maas (Adhik Maas - additional month) begins on 18-7-04 (Sunday). This holy month cames once in a period of the three years.

Dear Devotees ! It is most fortunate occasion. A rare opportunity to avail Satsang of the like-minded Satsangis and saints of Shri Hari. उत्सव प्रियाः जनाः people love celebrations, soulful celebrations. Keeping in view the grand tradition of vaishnavas, the religious festivals are celebrated at all our temples during this sacred Purushottam Mass. The religious festivals spread in the days of an year are celebrated in during these thirty days of Purushottam Maas. The festivals and events shall be celebrated with devotional fervour in benign presence of H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 Shri Tejendraprasadji Maharajshri. There shall be fortunate opportunity of the Darshan of Dharmkul with H.H. Lalji Maharajshri and Respected Bal Lalji Maharajshri. The devotees are invited to this religiuos feast. Each and every day of Purushottam Maas is a festive day, come and celebrate with us.

- Mahant Swami

- Principal host of one day .....Rs. 5001/-
- Joint Host of Purushottam Maas Celebrations .....Rs. 1001/-
- Group Maha Pooja (dated 11-8-2004) hosts each.....Rs. 125/-

PURUSHOTTAM MAAS CELEBRATIONS

તિથિ	Date	Festivity	Time
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧ રવિવાર	18-7-2004	Gwal Baal Darshan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૨ સોમવાર	19-7-2004	Rath Yatra	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૩ મંગળવાર	20-7-2004	Patotsava of Lord Narnarayandev	6.30 a.m. Abhishek 8.30 a.m. Annakut
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૪ બુધવાર	21-7-2004	Ganesh Chaturthi	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૫ ગુરુવાર	22-7-2004	Vasant Panchmi	8-15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૬ શુક્રવાર	23-7-2004	Kunj Gali	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૭ શનિવાર	24-7-2004	Shakotsava	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૮ રવિવાર	25-7-2004	Radhashtami	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૯ સોમવાર	26-7-2004	Ramnavami Patotsava of Shri Ghanshyam Maharaj	6.30 a.m. Abhishek 8.15 a.m. Fulldress 8.15 a.m. Annakut
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧૦ મંગળવાર	27-7-2004	Vijayadashmi	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧૧ બુધવાર	28-7-2004	Tulsi Vivah	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧૨ ગુરુવાર	29-7-2004	Vaman Baras, Patotsava : Lord Ghansham Rang Mahol	6.30 a.m. Abhishek 8.15 a.m. Annakut
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧૩/૧૪ શુક્રવાર	30-7-2004	Nrisimha Jayanti	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ સુદ-૧૫ શનિવાર	31-7-2004	Shri Hanuman Pooja	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧ રવિવાર	1-8-2004	Keshar Snan	6.30 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૨ સોમવાર	2-8-2004	Hindola : Flowers	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૩ મંગળવાર	3-8-2004	Hindola : Chocolate	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૪ બુધવાર	4-8-2004	Hindola : Flowers	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૫ ગુરુવાર	5-8-2004	Hindola : Dryfruits	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૬ શુક્રવાર	6-8-2004	Chhapaiya Darshan	8.15a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૭ શનિવાર	7-8-2004	Vanvicharan Darshan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૮ રવિવાર	8-8-2004	Janmashtami	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૯ સોમવાર	9-8-2004	Nand Mahotsava	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧૦ મંગળવાર	10-8-2004	Himalaya Darshan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧૧ બુધવાર	11-8-2004	Group Maha Pooja	8.30 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧૨ ગુરુવાર	12-8-2004	Himalaya Darshan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧૩ શુક્રવાર	13-8-2004	Shivratri Poojan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૧૪ શનિવાર	14-8-2004	Himalaya Darshan	8.15 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૩૦ રવિવાર	15-8-2004	Annakut, Govardhan Pooja	8.30 a.m.
શ્રાવણ વદ-૩૦ સોમવાર	16-8-2004	Vishnuyaag	8.15 a.m.

Get your self registered as a host and get receipt of the same from Kothar Office, Kalupur Temple.

Maha Pooja shall be conducted on 11-8-04 at 8-30 a.m. at the Sabha Mandapam in benign presence of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. Participation fee Rs. 125/-

- Mahant Swami

H.H. Acharya Maharajshri Graces the Land of Lakeland City Florida and Dwells at our Temple

The main Street of the Lakeland city of Florida earns majesty by the presence of Shri Swamianrayan Temple.

H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 Shri Tejendraprasadji Maharajshri has graced this shrine on date 8-6-2004 with his retinue and Mahant Swami Shastri Nirgundasji. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri was received at the courtyard of the temple by a group of eleven girls with auspicious Kalasham on their head, and hundreds of the devotees following them to receive H.H. Acharya Maharajshri at the Shrine. "આજ મારે આંગણે રે...." was idolized first time on the land of Florida.

H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the temple and presented Aarti to Lord Shri Narnarayandev and Lord Shri Ghanshyam Maharaj. A special sabha was organized on this occasion. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the sabha to bless his devotees by his blissful presence. Welcome Aarti was presented to H.H. Acharya Maharajshri by our devotees Shri Bharatbhai and Shri Mahendrabhai (Detona beach).

In his address to the Lakeland-Florida Satsang, H.H. Acharya Maharajshri said, `..... We all hold a legal and permanent visa of Akshardham....' It means that by our direct link with H.H. Acharya Maharajshri, we are linked directly to the Satsang and enjoying by that the divine pleasures. Bhajan-Kirtan and Dhoon Satsang was presented on this occasion to please Lord Shri Hari.

The Sabha was concluded with the blessed words of the Sixth Descendant Heir of Shri Hari. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri said, `I' and `You' both are very important. `I' is ego. When it is an occasion of a Satsang, Bhajan or devotional session, one should act with ego - `I will go there.' `..... I will do it.' In our profession and occupation `You' shall be kept at the forefront. Shriji Maharaj should be at the helm. This togather usher in everlasting happinest. Suppose, if two ships are at the sea, and the sailor of one such ship if navigates it without any direction or destination, he will reach nowhere. But the captain of another, who navigates carefully at the right direction by observing carefully the movement of his compass will reach to the desired destination. We too are required to put in centre the compass named Shikshapatri as and when we nevigate in the ocean of worldly ways.

The Spendid temple is about to be constructed and preparations are on to fix the schedule of events of installation ceremony of the idols of Lord Shri Hari. The devotees from Tempa, Georgia and nearby regions were present on this occasion.

- Satsang Group, Florida

HEAD-OFFICE OF SHRI NARNARAYAN YUVAK MANDAL

Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandals are active in almost every town and village in India and abroad with the due blessings and active leadership of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. The festivals, celebrations and events are managed everywhere by the local N.N.D.Y.M. Now central office of Shri Narnarayadnev Yuvak Mandal operates from **Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Kalupur, Ahmedabad.** Valunteering members are requested to take a note of this.

Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal
Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Kalupur, Ahmedabad-380 001.

DON'T MALIGN

- Mahant Swami Bhaktavatsaldasji (Limbdi)

Lord Swaminarayan Bhagwan had ordered in his Shikshpatri, to stay away from maligning others. If not possible to have a cordial relation, better you part your way by a warm good bye, but don't malign him, don't indulge in backbiting. One gets nothing by disparaging others. If vilified God, a shrine, a Brahmin, a faithful woman, a saint or the Vedas, such a sinful act of maligning ruins your birth as a human being.

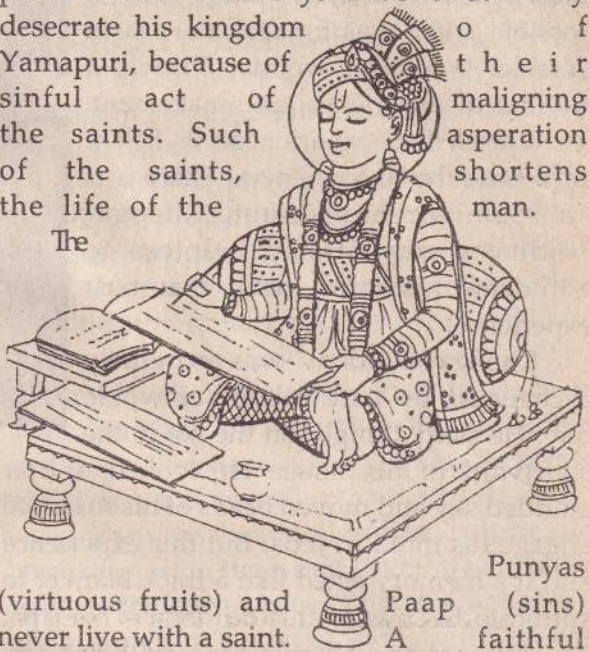
Therefore, be good to the others. If not possible to do so, better you stay away. But no backbiting or aspersion in any case.

Don't disparage a shrine – a holy place. Faithful devotees visit such shrines by sparing time from their work and spend hard earned money to do darshan of God at the shrine. They visit dividually or in a pilgrims' group the shrines like Ahmedabad temple, Vadtal, Chapaiya, Mathura and Jetalpur dhaam. If faced any odds or inconvenience there at the shrine, it trigger their temper and they disparage the shrine. This results into a loss in their faith in God.

Don't malign a faithful and virtuous woman. The virtuous women are great and honourable due to their personal religion, faithfulness towards their hasband and their dedicated services. Don't indulge in aspersion of such virtuous and faithful women.

Brahmins too are not to be maligned in any circumslances. The Brahmins have protected our religion, culture and great traditions since ancient times as and when country was invaded.

Don't disparage a saint. Yama (God of death) too reject those souls who have maligned a saint. Yama is not allowing them to his kingdom, and throws them out in the ponds of hell. Yama says that such soul may desecrate his kingdom of Yamapuri, because of their sinful act of maligning the saints. Such asperation of the saints, shortens the life of the man.



The Punyas (virtuous fruits) and Paap (sins) never live with a saint. A faithful devotee takes away the punyas of a saint by saluting him heartily and a sinner takes away the sins of him by maligning the saint.

The Vedas too should not be disparaged. The scriptures like Upanishades, Mahabharata, Bhagwata, Geeta and Ramayan preach the doctrines of the vedas. Therefore, these scriptures too should not be maligned. As the scriptures have said, the sin of maligning saints, Guru or scriptures is a major sin. The man who saves himself from such sin shall be emancipated.

Dear Devotees ! Stay away from those who are maligning sect or its preachings, and guard yourself properly againt their allurements. Attach yourself firmly to the original sect and dioceses functioning through Deva, Acharya, Sant and the Shastras founded by Lord Swaminarayan Bhagwan.

THE BODY THAT HAS NO BONES

Chandrakant M. Pathak



Khengar Sindhav ponders at night about his experience. How was it possible ? If it was for real, not was a miracle? Was not a wonder ? It was a wonderful experience, an amazement. He himself had experienced it. Felt it and seen it by his own eyes. There was no room for any doubt. Khengar Sindhava was utterly helpless to withdraw his mind from that past experience.

Khengar Sindhav was extremely exchausted by hard labour of whole day. He sletp at night on the cot in the courtyard of his house He looked at star studded sky and moved beads of his rosary to engage his mind in Japa. But this experience and it's memory acted like a thick blanket to suffocate his mind – his thinking – his japa. He lost hold and his mind moved helplessly in direction of those past experiences. If it was so as has been said by Rupabhai, the man in such state can not do any work. But he had seen Maharaj attending to various manual tasks. He has seen Maharaj smelling a flower, doing japa by shifting beads of a rosary, he has seen him cooking delicious meals, he has seen him having meals by his hand. He has seen him serving the meals by his own hand. He has seen him embracing lovingly his dearest devotees. He has seen him riding a horse. How was it possible without a strong and firm body ?

But what was the actual problem ? What that information was ? Why it has became a sensitive issue for Khengar sindhav ?

Khengar Sindhav was a resident of Kholadiad, and Rupabhai lived at Bhavnagar. Both of them were firm and faithful devotees of Shriji Maharaj. Shriji Maharaj loved them heartily. They were visiting each other frequently to exchange news and information about Satsang. They were used to discuss such episodes of Shri Hari during their satsang with the saints. Once in such togatherness, Rupabhai discussed this subtle matter :

Khengarbhai ! Don't he surprised if I told you a never before experience. Listen to me. I was escorting Maharaj on his religious tour through the forest region and knew at certain time about an expectied visit the minister of Bhavnagar state. Maharaj was scared like a human being as he heard and asked me to hide ourselves in a field of Jawar crop. We hid ourselves in dense crop of Jawar but Maharaj complaint all of sudden about unbearable body pain. He asked me to press his arm. When I pressed his hand, I found it soft and silky. Maharaj asked me to apply full force in pressing his hand. I applied at best my strength to press his arm and hand. Maharaj insisted to twist and coil it like a washerman who coils and squeezes the clothes to remove water. I refused it politely and explained that such a

move may injure the bones.

Maharaj insisted for such twisting and assured me that there shall be no harm in doing so. I twisted it little with great hasitation, but Maharaj asked me to twist it like a wet cloth. I submitted very politely, 'Maharaj ! We can not twist it more. Twisting will break the bones to add in your pain. With little hasitation I wisted it further.

'Don't worry about the bones. Remove my pain by a firm and strong twisting. Apply your force fully.'

Then I held his arm in both my hands and like a wet cloth, I began to twist it forcefully. When I did so, I realized that there was no bone in hand of Maharaj. It was soft and smooth. I realized that his body was not made from five elements, it was divine. Most amazing and miraculous. This was a wonderful experience of my life.

'It is realy miraculous. It is great ! It is an unbelievable experience of Bhagwan,' said Khengar Bhagat.

Since then, the event was not vacating his mind. How was it possible to work, by a boneloss hand ? If arms were boneless than what about other organs like head, legs and torso ! To be sure about it, Bhagat went to Gadhada and did darshan of Maharaj. He stared at his person to check if bones were not there. But Bhagat found that Maharaj appeared like other people. There was nothing unusual.

Shri Hari fulfills the wishes of his devotees. He knows everything and reads easily the mind of his dear devotees. Bhagat too got an apportunity to satisfy his curiosity by the grace of God.

Maharaj was napping at the Akshar Ordi. Bhagat went to him to serve him in persons. He pressed the legs. While pressing it with love, he tried by pressing deep his finger tips and checked whether the bone was there or not ?

'Bhagat ! For what you look for in my legs ?' asked Maharaj.

'Maharaj ! Rupabhai of Bhavnagar has told me that there is no bone in your body. I am trying to feel it for my satisfaction.'

'A body without bones is not possible.'

'But Maharaj ! I feel no bone in your legs.'

'Is it possible ? look at my knee. See that knee cap. It is a bone.'

'Mahraj ! Knee is smooth like silk and soft like cotton-wool. There is no possibility of any bone.'

'Then see my elbow. It is always hard and stiff. A bone is a must for it.

Khengar Sindhav checked it for himself, but there was no bone in it.

'See my head. Press and feel it. There should be a hard cap of bones.' Bhagat checked it by pressing it in his palms and fingers, but felt no bone. Bhagat prayed, 'Maharaj ! Your body is divine. Free of the elements. Beyond the touch of Maya. To imagine five elements in your body is an act of ignorance.

'Khengarbhai ! There is vast difference between objects of Maya and image of God. Those who are ignorant and unwise, take them alike and treat them equally.' Said Shri Hari happily.

'Yes, My father ! You are correct. We worldly people can not pervade Maya to realize your divine image.' Khengar Sindhav found himslef fully fulfilled.

Shri Hari graced the village Lakrani of Jamnagar, and resided at the house of Virji Suthar. He graced a seat beneath a neem tree and addressed there an assembly at evening. It was dusk time and Aarti was being presented to God with a Thaal from Kanthadji. Maharaj went to have the thaal, and came back to his seat when he had it. Virjibhai pressed the feet of Maharaj. Meanwhile came there Darbar Kanthadji and Submitted to Shri

Hari, 'Maharaj ! A family of Garasia (a caste) community lives in our village. There are four brothers in that family. All are strong like Bhima. They are good in body massage but not gentlemanly in their attitude. If rebuked, they may break the bones mercilessly.

'If they are at home, call them here to me. I would like to get my body pressed. Let us have a test of their stength' said Shri Hari.

'Maharaj ! May I go and invite them ?' prayed Kanthadji.

'Bapu ! Should it be fine and appropriate if I visit their place and invited them here ?' said Virjibhai while readying himself to leave the place.

Virji Suthar went to their house and invited them to massage heavily the person of Shri Hari. Kalyansinh and his brothers were happy by such invitation. It was an opportunity to show their physical strength. They thought that Maharaj must know about their physical power. They were very proud of their physical power.

Ego is most destructive. Ego invites self destruction of the man. Elephants though consume pondful water from the rivers and lakes, they hardly make any noise. But a frog of a dirty and shallow ditch drinks a drop of dirty water but makes much noise for his mis adventure. Ego makes the man a devil. On other hand, a humble soul becomes a saint by his politeness. There are people who are proud of their humbleness ! It is too difficult to overpower the ego.

These brothes and Virji Suthar came to the chamber of Shriji Maharaj.

'Are these the brothers, about whom you told me before ?' Maharaj looked at Kanthadji and asked.

'Yes, Maharaj ! We are the same people. Come on, we will massage your body.'

Maharaj challenged their ego and said, 'Look. You all together press my body firmly by fixing it flat on the bed, not allowing me to turn myself. If succeeded, there would be no doubt about your physical power.'

'You are intending to test our power. Look ! Your bones are very weak and thin, if broke by such pressure, you would not be able to ride your Manki at least for an year. Take this seriously and don't blame us for your injuries.'

'Gentleman ! Don't worry for that. Feel free to apply all your force collectively. I will change my position despite your full force. You can see it for yourself.'

'Younger brothers ! Come on. Apply full force and press the body tightly. Let us have a test of his capacity. Let us see how he frees himself from our hold,' said elder among them.

One of them, held tightly the legs of Maharaj. Another one pressed the thighs, third one pressed the chest by his hands and the fourth one caught tightly the head of Maharaj.

Maharaj alerted them once again and asked them to apply all their energy in holding tight the body. They too challenged Maharaj and said that not even a finger could be moved. But next moment Maharaj changed his position and from original position of sleeping on his back, he was turned up side down facing bed instead.

Devotees were elated by such act of Shri Hari. Masseurs were taken aback by such miraculous act of Shri Hari. They desired to try it again, with a distant hope of winning. They prayed, 'Maharaj ! Please give us one more chance. You lie on facing the bed. We will hold you tight in the same position.' Shri Hari agreed to their prayer. They caught him firmly pinning his body firm on the bed. But in wink of time, Shri Hari was turned to original position. There was no physical movement but the change was effected !

Masscurs realized their limitations and experienced the divine powers of Shri Hari. They repented for their ego and pride and prayed to take them in his benign fold.

ONENESS IN LORD NARAYAN AND SHIVA

• Prof Mahadev Dhoriani

The Vedas have established the oneness of Lord Narayan and Lord Shiva. Shikshapatri also says :

"एकात्म्य विज्ञेयं नारायणमहेशयोः ।
उभयोर्बह्मरूपेण वेदेषु, प्रतिपादेनात् ॥४७॥"

(Know oneness of Lord Narayan and Lord Shiva. Vedas have presented them as the form of Brahm - pure consciounes).

The four words – Vedas, Oneness, Narayan and Shiva – mentioned in this are very important and vital. The self begotten Vedas hold supreme position in the Shikshapatri and the Vachanamrits of Shri Hari. Lord Shri Hari had mentioned the vedas distinctly in his sacred scripture of Shikshapatri :

- Don't criticise Vedas. Don't listen to the criticism of the Vedas. (Shikshapatri : 21)
- The four Vedas, Vyas Sutra, Shrimad Bhagwat, Shri Vishnu Sahasra Nama and Shrimad Bhagwad Gita of the Maha Bharat, the Vidur Niti, Shri Vasudeva Mahatmya narrated in the vishnu khanda of the Skanda Purana, and Yagyavalkya Smirit mentioned in Dharmashastra. These eight virtuous scriptures are most benedictory. (Shikshapatri 93-95).
- And such celibate shall do daily the study of the Vedas. (Shikshapatri : 185)
- The ethical duties prescribed by Shruti and Smriti (Vedas and ancient scriptures) shall be practised and maintained.

The vedas are supreme in the world of religion. Most of the religious sects are honouring the vedas. The vedas are most ancient books in the libraries of the world. Vedas propund monism.

As per ancient scriptures, 'Narayan' is the name of Lord Vishnu. Lord Vishnu is sustainer God of the universe. Lakshmiji is wife of Lord Vishnu. Sheshnaag (heavenly serpent) is sacred seat and Guruda (heavenly eagle) is divine vehicle of Lord Vishnu.

According to the Vedas, Vishnu and Narayan are two names indicating attributes of Ishwara (God) :

"वेवेष्टि व्याप्नोतिचराचर जगत् स विष्णुः ।"

(As he pervades both the conscious and the inert Supreme God is named as Vishnu).

Vedas have used word Vishnu for Ishwara.

"आपो नारा इति प्रोक्ता आपो वै नरसूनवः ।
ता यदस्यायनं पूर्वं तेन नारायणः स्मृतः ॥"

(One who resides in water bound souls. Those are the seat of him. As he pervades everything, living and non-living, Supreme Lord is named, therefore, as Narayan.)

Bhagwan is called Narayan, due to his support to the elements. Words Vishnu and Narayan are used for all pervading Supreme Lord.

As per ancient scriptures, Lord Shiva is hubsnad of Parvatiji and father of Ganesha and Kartikeya. He is son-in-law of Daksha and Nandi (heavenly bullock) is the divine vehicle of him.

According to vedas, the names Shiva, Rudra, Mahadeva, Shankara represent individually a distinct quality and used therefore as the names of supreme Lord Ishwar :

"यो रोदयत्यन्याय कारिणोजनान् स रुद्रः ।"

(As he makes sinners to cry, Supreme Lord Named therefore as Rudra.)

One who is visible form of benediction or one who benedicts the souls. Supreme Lord holds both these attributes, therefore, he is named as Shiva. Vedas have used word Shiva as an equivalent of 'Bhagwan.'

"यो महतां देवः स महादेवः ।"

One who is God of the great ones. One who is God of the scholars. One who instills luminosity in the sun. 'Mahadev' is one name of Supreme Lord.

Sahajanand Swami had convey the message of natural happiness and had mentioned Lord Narayan and Shivji as unified one. The veas, Vishnusahastra naam and linguistic cum laxicography have supported this preaching of Shri Hari.

Lord Narayan and Lord Shiva appear separate at the first sight, but there is unique oneness between these two. It is at spiritual level – beyond the elemental plane. It is subtle, conscious and sublime. Upanishadas have described this quniqueness – oneness. Narada Panchratra says :

"शिवोहरिहरिः साक्षाच्छिव एव निरुपितः ।"

(Lord Shiva is Hari and Lord Hari is Shiva.)

"शिवद्वेषी हरिद्रोही विष्णुं नित्यं भजन्नपि ।"

(Though may be a faithful devotee of Bhagwan, but if offended Lord Shiva, he shall be treated as opponent of Bhagwan.)

In his discourses on Shikshapatri-Bhashya, Shastri Shri Harikeshavdasji says, '....This Shloka establishes oneness of Lord Narayan and Lord Shivji. Lord Narayan stands here as Vairaj Narayan and Shivji as Lord of Kailash, because Brahma (creator), Vishnu (sustainer) and Mahesh (destroyer) all these Gods are evolved from vairaj narayan. Brahma was evolved from his navel, Vishnu was evolved from his heart and Mahesh was evolved from his forehead. Therefore, the Vedas have established oneness of pure consciouness between Vairajnarayan and Shiva...'

Upanishadas have described Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh as eternity of supreme consciousness Parabrahma. Brahma acts for creation, Lord Vishnu sustains that creation and Mahesh destroys it in final destruction.

Shikshpatri contains 212 shlokas, and the 66 shlokas among them refer blissful name of Lord Shri Krishna. Lord Sahajanand Swami orders to all his follower to do japa of Lord Shri Krishna's name (eight lettered hymn of Lord Shri Krishna)

Lord Sahajanand Swami had propounded monotheism in his Shikshapatri (see shloka : 47) The religious heads and saints should act in this direction to lead the masses towards such oneness of Gods.

Eduational news from H.H. Acharya Devendraprasadji Education Trust

The Board Class (Std. X and Std. XII) results of Shri Sahajanand Secondary and Higher Secondary School, Ambawadi, Ahmedabad.

	S.S.C.E.	H.S.C.E.
Over all Result	99.21%	98.89%
Distinctions	77	32
First Class	41	28
Second Class	08	26
Pass Class	01	01

School First : Ruparel Nakul G. 91.14% SSCE
Jaiswal Krupesh 82.6. HSCE

- Principal

The S.S.C.E. Results of the Gurukulams of Shri Narnarayandev Desh Peeth

Shri Sahajanand Gurukul, Mt. Abu (English, CBSE)	100%
Shri Swaminarayan Gurukul, Jetalpur (Guj.)	100%
Shri Sahajanand Gurkul, Asarva, Ahmedabad (Guj.)	87%
Shri Sahajanand Gurukul, Koteshwar (Guj.)	98%

(The results of other Gurukuls are still awaited.)

Swami Harivallabhdas (Disciple of Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji) **secures** 71% marks in English medium.

GOD IS ALWAYS AT HELP OF A FIRM AND FAITHFUL DEVOTEE

- Jayantilal K. Soni

As has been said in Vachanamrit (Gadhada : M-14), '..... firm faith in the image of God, makes a devotee Nirguna (free of the evolutes of eternal entity). A devotee shall be treated as most intelligent, despite his poor intelligence in warldly life, if he had realised with faith the image of God. The devotees though highly intelligent in the worldly life, the one shall be adjudged poor in intelligence if lacked faith and it's firmness in image of God. God helps invariably those who are firm and faithful to Him-faithful to His blissful form.

In time of Shriji Maharaj, there lived at Visnagar a firm and faithful devotee – Rupram Thakar. Rupram was a single minded devotee of Shri Hari. He was a firm follower of Lord Shriji Maharaj. In all three states -waking, sleeping or dream state-he did constant darshan of Shri Hari. He was a professional Vaidya (medicine man).

Once he went to Godhara. There he treated a patient of terminal illness. With the grace of Shri Hari, the medicine and treatment effected positively and patient recovered with a long lease of new life. He belonged to a wealthy family, therefore he gave lots of money to Rupram Vaidya, and expressed his hearty thanks for saving his life.

Rupram Thakar went back to his home town. The roads and transport facilitie were not so good in ancient time. Way from Godhra to Visnagar was a long journey across the forest. After sunset it was dark starry night in abundance of forest. There was fear of carnivorous animals. Rupram Thakar lost his path in darkness of the dense forest. He was really scared of animals, thugs and robbers. His life and wealth both were at risk. He prayed to Shriji Maharaj, 'Oh Maharaj ! Oh My God ! You are my saviour. I am lost in this dense forest. The scaring roars of tigers, wolf, bear and other carnivorous animals are threatening my life. There is fear of theft, stealing and robbing. You have protected your devotees in past. Protect me and save my life. Who else shall I call to my help except you ? Oh My God ! Oh Lord Shri Hari ! Please help me.'

Omniscient Lord Shri Hari came to the forest to help Rupram Thakar – his faithful devotee. Disguised as a policeman and holding a cane in his hand, Shri Hari appeared in the forest to guide and guard his devotee. Walking on the forest pathways waiving his cane and alerting the travelers by his repeated calls 'Be alert. Walk carefully. Don't be scared of unknown people. Call for a help if it needed.' Shouting like that, he came to Rupram Thakar and asked in a confident tone, 'Who are you ?' 'I am a subject of the state.' Rupram said in a subdued tone.' Maharaj in guise of a policeman consoled him with the due authority and took him to a nearby hu, gave Magaj and Sukhadi (sweet dishes suitable for a durable tiffin) to cat and offered fresh water to drink. Rupram had the meal and quenched the thirst. They both slept there at the hut. Rupram guided by him next morning for was onward journey. Rupram Thakar desired to convey his heart felt thanks for the care and hospitality he received from that unknown policeman. But as he looked back to thank him, he found nothing, no hut, no policeman ! Being a true devotee, he realized that Shri Hari himself was there to take care of his humble devotee. Tears of devotional affection rolled from the eyes of Rupram. He felt very sorry for receiving personal service from Shriji Maharaj. He felt it like an insult of God. How can he receive service from God, instead of serving him ? It was a sin. He repented repeatedly throughout his jouruney and diverted direct to Gadhada

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NECTAR LIKE SATSANG

- Gordhanbhai Sitapara

Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal of this area was founded by the Seventh Descendant Heir of Shri Hari. Since it's foundation day, the celibate saints of Shri Swaminarayan Sampradaya have been visiting us frequently to spread universal message of Lord Swaminarayan Bhagwan. Week-end Satsang and Ekadashi Satsang Sabhas have become a regular feature of this temple. H.H. Lalji Majarahsjri graces such sabhas to bless his devotees. At Sabhas too, he spares very less time for his falicitation, and allots most of his time and every minute of it to holy satsang and in graced presence to benedict his followers. The satsang in this area has progressed very well with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri and H.H. Lalji Maharajshri 108 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharajshri. A strong army of Swaminarayan soldiers is readily available to unmask hypocrisy and hypocrites. They advocate virtues and values by conducting social and religious events under guidance of Lalji Maharajshri.

The faithful devotees and Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal have worked to gather during Platinum Jubilee Celebratins. These volunteers have added colour of devotional service in those grand festive events. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri was impressed deeply by their devotional service and eternal pleasure of Shri Hari was showered by His Holiness on those dovout volunteers. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri himself is the another form of Shri Hari. He himself wrote the letters of blessings for the volunteers and got them distributed by the blessed hands of H.H. Lalji Mahrajshri at the final session of concluding ceremony.

The volunteers and sub-committee-members were invited to Jetalpurdham on 6-6-04 and a special satsang was held there in benign presence of Lord Revti Baldevji Harikrishna Maharaj. The Sabha was chaired by H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. S.G. Swami Shastri Purushottamprakashdasji, S.G. Mahant Swami Atmaprakashdasji, S.G. Mahant Swami Premswaroopdasji (Narayanpura), S.G. Ananadswaroop Swami, S.G. Mahant Swami Guruprasaddasji (Kankaria), S.G. Shastri Swami Ghanshyamprakashdasji (Narayanghat), Swami Hariomdasji (Samchalak, Jetalpur Sankrit Pathsala) and other saints were present on the occasion to favour the devotees by their nectar like discourses.

સર્વે રીતે સંતમાં રહુંછું રે, એમાં રહી ઉપદેશ દઉ છું રે,
સંત બોલે તે ભેળો હું બોલું રે, સંત ન ભૂલે હું ય ન ભૂલુ રે.

(Purushottamprakash)

(Above are the words of Shri Hari, mentioned in the devotional songs of S.G. Nishkulanadn Swami. Lord Shri Hari had said that he resides in the saints and preaches to his devotees through those saints. That is He who speaks when said a saint. The saints are not forgetting anything and Shri Hari too remembers everything forever as He himself is in the saints.)

I am narrating some from the enlightening discourses delivered at Jetalpur Dhaam :

Bhagwan asked once to Narada, 'Oh Great Devotee ! From where you come now ? Where have you comped these days ?' 'Oh Bhagwan ! Don't you know ? I am engage these days in satsang activities.' I did satsang in some big towns. Activity is in progress in four cities. About three lakh people have come in the fold of religion. They have become firm satsangis. Firm and faithful in Niyam, Nischaya, Paksha, Tilaka – Chandalo – Kanthi. Complete and perfect.' said Narada 'Oh ! Great ! I am very happy. I must bless them by my Darshan. Look ! I shall be sitting at that shade of the tree there. Please go and tell them to come for my darshan. I am indeed pleased to them. I will like to bless them personally', said Bhagwan.

Narada went to the devotees and told them about the wish of Bhagwan. They danced and sang in joy to see God by their own eyes and rushed to the destination to do darshan of Bhagwan. The devotees in millions walked swiftly across the fields, hills, shrub and forests, and crossed the rivers and streams hastily to reach faster and earlier.

Omniscient supreme Lord desired to test their readiness and dedication. He desired to test their aspiration and devotional love. By his divine powers, he created heaps of money on their path. The devotees though were in million, all were not so firm in detachment and devotion. Lakhs among them lost their destination in temptation of money. They stuffed their pockets and tied bundles of money in their spare clothes. Carring the burden on their head and shoulders, they went back home. For them, the money was more important, than God. The huge crowd of the millions was reduced then to several thousands. They walked ahead to do darshan of God.

Bhagwan ordered to his divine entity to display it's opulence. The heaps of gold and silver came on the ways of those devotees. The glitter of gold and precious stones distorted their wisdom. They got drawn by the tempting power of real wealth. God was there to bless them, and he was not to leave his place if they were late, but this real wealth may be taken away by the others if they failed to pick it up at this opportune time ! They dropped the idea of darshan, stopped there near the heaps, took gold and precious stones in plenty and at their maximum to walk home ward. Almost all of them, except three, secured the wealth, three.

These three were detached and faithful. They by ingonring the temptations of eternal entity were true devotees of God. They went further to do darshan of Bhagwan. Bhagwan tested them further by igniting fire around his place. God was there in front of them, but at much distance and there was fire spread between God and the three devotees. But these singleminded devotees thought of nothing, bothered not for the self and pains and walked strait with firmness piercing through the flames. God withdrew his forces of eternal entity, walked forward to them and hugged his dearest devotees with love and affection. Then turning to Naradji, God said, 'Narada ! You had said that the millions of men have became true and detached Hari Baktas by your Satsang but I found only three ! Actually,these three are the devotees. These three are the firm and faithful followers.

They are the Hari Bhagats.'

God is not testing us these days by such high standard. God has become easily available to all of us. God resides within person of Dharmvanshi Acharya and expresses himself through the ways, acts and words of Acharya Maharajshri. Obey to the orders of Acharya Maharajshri – Dharmkul. If not understood something, try to understand it from the saints. Don't rush immediately to Acharyashri or to Lalji Maharajshri for a repeatation, or for a further explanation from them, and don't try to dislodge their commandments.

True happiness dwells in total surrender to God. Wealth and money can not be taken as an abode of the true happiness – peace of mind.



Shriji Maharaj graced once a house of his devotee. Devotee was a farmer, a good householder and God fearing man ! he welcomed Shriji Maharaj with the due hospitality. Shriji Maharaj lived there at his house to give devotional pleasure to his devotee. After a sumptuous thaal, he requested to Shri Hari to have siesta instead of day time Satsang. Shriji Mahraj looked inquisitively at him. Farmer then submitted that an ascetic was come to the village and he was excpert in transforming iron into gold. He was expecting to see his mysterious magic. Many villagers have been benefitted by his act of producing gold. Maharaj looked at the farmer and asked, 'Don't you know who am I ?' 'Maharaj ! I know. You are God. But I must go and see that ascetic too.' 'But what if I made gold ?' 'Maharaj ! You too know such great magic !' 'Yes, ofcourse. I know it very well. Bring your farming implements. I will change them in gold.' Maharaj then transformed his picking axe, spades, and other implements in sovereign gold. Now toil and hard work were ended forever. There was wealth in gold, no iron implements, no more toiling.

No work. No labour. No bargaining. Farmer and his family were happy by such relief, but were trapped now in unending worries and unbearable tension of protecting the wealth - the gold - in quintals ! No physical labour, but lots of mental tension ! As the time passed the farmer and his family picked up diseases like diabitis, blood pressure and obesity. Earlier, they digested food by their work at the farm now they did so by injections, operations, pills and capsules ! All were ailing physically and mentally. There was no time for remembering God, no meditation but and medical treatment of the self and family members. Prolonged ailment compelled them to adopt diet control. They lost the tastes and luxury !

Shri Hari revisited the village after a long period of many years. The farmer rushed to Maharaj and held lotus like feet of Maharaj. Tears rolled from his eyes when he narrated pains of his wealthy living ! He then prayed 'Maharaj ! I was happy earlier, but not now. Please remove my worries and tension.' Maharaj withdrew his divine spell and brought all his implements in original metal -iron and steel. He freed his devotee from the clutches of temptation, greed and desire.

There are devotees, who are not trusting fully in our rosary and kanthi. They chase therefore, the protective threads, lockets, magic and live in blind faith. They wear the threads and other items. The devotees need to be strong and firm in the faith – in devotion of God. It is very difficult to establish oneness in God, but the saints and the true devotees are very much in our reach. We should try to live

a simple and ego free life to establish Satsang with the saints and single minded devotees. We should talk to them. We must have religious dialogue with our saints and our fellow satsangis. Such association shall be fruitful in our spiritual journey. Remeber the great devotees. Try to understand their devotional fervour. Gangaba of Jetalpur was carring on her head a ignited stove and meals on it, to serve fresh and hot meals to Shri Hari during religious tours of Maharaj. She was serving fresh and hot meals to Shri Hari at the convenience of Shri Hari. Maharaj was having meals of eatables and milk from the thaal presented by her to the image – idol form – of Shri Hari. Shri Hari was used to receive thaal of Gangaba through his idol form. We are offering such thaal since years, but Maharaj in his idol form not consuming it !

The saints at times, used to pass the comments that the devotees befitting the spiritual level of Dada Khacahr, Parvatbhai, Jinabhai, Govardhanbhai and others of ancient times, are not being seen these days. The devotees too are passing similar comments in regard to the contemporary saints. Such discussions and arguments are not so helpful in growth and development of Satsang. This is a fault finding approach. The saints and the devotees, both are required to be constructive in their thinking and reflection. The saints are required to accept the followers by treating them at par with the devotees of past, and the followers – aspirants are required to accept the saints in a right spirit of a faithful devotee. The saints and devotees should see Lord Shriji Maharaj dwelling in person of Dharmvanshi Acharya Maharajshri. This will bring oneness and harmony in Satsang to usher in divinity. The saints and the devotees – entire satsang – will receive blissful pleasure and eternal peace by such thinking – by such life style. The service of every kind and in all its forms has been glorified with majesty by the scriptures of the Sampradaya. The glory, majesty and scriptural words got material form when volunteers of this sect served the masses during celebrations of Platinum Jublee. Those devout volunteers have earned the pleasure of Shri Hari by their selfless service. A true servant never desire any recognition, and the seekers of such recognition can not establish themselves as a true devotee.

Those Haribhaktas and volunteering youths are present here in this Sabha. All are same like before, like the devotees of ancient time. Same zeal, same firmess ! You all are capable individually to draw a lot of 500 new followers. You hold such capacity. You possess such will-power. This is grace of God Shri Hari. We have everything. We miss nothing. We have God, Acharya, saints, followers, scriptures !

Indian civilization. Indian culture are ancient most in the world. India was invaded repeatedly since ancient time, the nation has maintained it's civilization, culture and religion, despite those destructive forces. Indian culture and ethical values have sustained the entity of themselves. As the time passes and as and when it faced any invasion,the country and people have come out stronger by defeating those elemental or psychic forces. It is mere cowardice if one is scared of presenting the truth and principles in front of any society. To advocate the doctrines of this great sect, is not a duty limited to H.H. Acharay Maharajshri and H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. All the saint and everyone from the followers are required to take good care of it. It is our duty to explain to others the principles of Swaminarayan Sampradaya. In time of Maharaj, there were the devotees, who visited the houses and the fields to spread benedictory message of Lord Shri Hari. they have had conducted satsang to help the people on the path devotion.

We have delayed intentionally the distribution of Ashirwad Patra (the letter of appriciation) since the days of grand events of Platinum Jubilee, but no volunteering devotee came to us to inquire about the letter. This shows that you all have become ego free. Lord Shriji Maharaj has said in Vachanamrit that there should not be ego even for ego-freeness of the self.

Now, given below are the nectar like words of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri of Shri Narnarayandev Desh :

'We were on way from Haridwar to Rishikesh. The saints were with me. When we came to the bank of river Ganga, we saw people – householders, saints, ascetics having sanctifying dip in holy river. I too desired to have sacred dip with my saints and attendants. But there was heavy rush at the Ghats. We went ahead and tried to findout suitable place for bathing. Then at one place we found enough Ghat as there were few ascetics engaged in their rituals of bathing. I told to my saints that there shall be no problem in having a sanctifying dip in company of the ascetics. Saints too joined me and we had ablutive bathing. Then I observed the ascetics and said to my saints. Look at those ascetics. They had discarded the worldly life and their family to forsake elemental ties. Why they did so ? For what ? They had forsaken everything to receive God, to realize God. But all of them are engaged at this moment in worldly ways. Some are smoking tobacco, some are consumig charas and some are sinking their body in water to do Japa and Tapa. None from them has realized it. They haven't seen even the path to lead them to God. Now look at us we all are most fortunate souls. God is merciful to us. We eat laddu and other sweets of sacred thaal and sleep peacefully at night, but when awoke in the morning, we do darshan of our God. We stand and prey in front of our God. God is in front of our eyes – visible and perceivable. We are always in proximity of our God.

The temples of them deserve a thorough study and research. As you enter the temple, you will find on way to the temple, the idols of various demi-Gods and deities, Gods and Goddesses ! The priests are there to attend to them individually. He informs us about the majesty and divinity of particular deity. All are majestic and divine ! As a devotee, you shall be required to offer some thing to each such idol. Visitors are always confused about internal relation in between those Gods ! They don't know who among them are greater and who shall be the greatest ? It is a big mess of mutual relation. But at our temples, there is nothing in–between. God and his devotee. No minor deities, no demi–Gods ! The way leads direct to our God. No broker, no middle man !

Maharajashri had delivered an educative discourse at this wadi when he was on Pada-Yatra of Jetalpurdhaam. It was highly inspirational. I am repeating it here in front of you.

Amarvel is a parasitic plant. It neither has root nor the leaves. It lives on the juices sucked from the tree it crept on. It is evergreen at the cost of supporter tree ! It is green because it is creeping on the stem and branches of a tree – a banyan tree !

Many are like that parasite – Amarvel. They surve on the strength and name of Swaminarayan. They always look green, fresh and healthy because they, like a parasite, eat everything on the name of Swaminarayan. Comes one and goes another one, who would not like to became a Bhagwan ! Every dog has it's day ! As like Amarvel, these people have no roots to stand on. They have no god installed by Maharaj and have no supreme preceptor to lead, have no saint intiated by such Acharya and hold no scriptures authenticated by a supreme preceptor. Is there

any things ? Anybody, if tried to swing by a swing of the Amarvel shall be thrashed anywhere with any thing to disintegrate himself. But if swing by a strong support of branches and roots of a banyan tree, he shall be able to swing freely and at full satisfaction.

In my childhood I was used to ask to Maharajshri, 'Why are you so punctual in your presence at Kalupur temple ? Why don't you allow any delay even for a minute ? What difference will it make ?' Maharajshri smiled every time at me in answer to those questions. He never answered it in words, as I poundered I found out an answer for my self. Maharajshri has taken God, the saints and the devotees as his own. This Satsang is his greater family. For the sake of his family he moves here and there worry free, tirelessly. He visits them at the remotest destination and graces their dwelling, shares in their devotional pleasures. May Shri Hari bless you eternal pleasure.

In his Ashirvaad Patra, H.H. Acharya Maharajshri had tendered a piece of personal advise : "We all are dependants of Lord Narnarayandev. Lord Narnarayandev is the form of Lord Shri Hari. The best way of pleasing Shri Hari, is to inculcate within us the unshakable faith – firm faith in Lord Narnarayandev. I am advising you as your benedictory well wisher, to depend and surrender to Lord Narnarayan, for your whole life and with your successive heirs.

So beautiful ! So wonderful the counsel is ! H.H. Acharya Maharajshri displays through those words his concern for the devotees and for the lineage of them.

The words of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri are an unchanged truth – unchangeable prediction, because he holds the supreme seat of this diocese – Shri Narnarayandev Desh Peeth. He is in direct touch of Narnarayandev. Let these words effect our future generations. Lord Narnarayandev – the form of Shri Hari is supreme Lord of Bharat Khanda. He performs tapa (penance) to destruct demonic forces. May Shri Hari bless us devotion and devotional love for blissful form of Lord Narnarayandev.

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for a pardon from his God.

Rupram Thakar came to Gadhada dham and went to Akshar Ordi to pray personally to Shri Hari. He saluted to God in a subdued posture of Dandvat Pranam (in this most humble way of saluting, a devotee submits his body mind and soul at the feet of God by spreading his body like a stick on the ground and touches the ground by all his organs right from head to toe including his chest), without stopping his repreated Dandvata.

Tears rolled from his eyes, Soaking his whole body. Shriji Maharaj rose and embraced Rupam with devotional love. Rupram prayed humbly, 'Maharaj ! I am at fault. You were come to me in disguise of a policeman to protect and guide me. You took me in your protective fold and served to me sumptuous meals and personal service. You had protected me and saved my life in that forest. I am your humble devotee. I was supposed to serve you, but I took your service instead and committed a major sin, 'Rupram ! Relation between us is like master-servent or preceptor–disciple, therefore we both are required to serve each other in need of time. Feel free and don't be shy of it. Be happy.' Shriji Maharaj asked his celibate to arrange meal for Rupram. Shriji Maharaj reassured his devotee by consuming meals with him.

Lord Shriji Maharaj comes from Akshardam and helps his faithful devotees. Therefore, be firm in Niyam, Nishchaya and Paksh to earn eternal pleasure of Shriji Maharaj. Act right now by your available means to receive pleasure of Shriji Maharaj for ultimate benediction in this world – in present life.

LEARN TO SAVE LIFE

- Shastri Hari Swami •

Long a go a businessman Lakshmichand lived in a town. He was a big businessman. He owned factories, show rooms and business centers. The branches of his business were operating in all big cities of India. He lived in a splendid house. There were many rooms, large corridors, splendid balconies, heaven like garden, swimming pool and all available luxuries of a noble living. His was a happy and small family – self, wife and a son ! They lived happily and comfortably. There was a large team of servents to take care of house, house keeping, and homely requirements. Sheth Lakshmidas himself was a noble gentleman. God fearing and kind hearted. He donated liberally to help the needy. People were respecting him and his family. He was sustainer of many families, as his business and factories were hiring the people for various jobs.



But time changes the course of the events. All days are not happy days. Nobody knows what happens next moment. In case of Lakshmichand, time changed it's trend and breeze of happiness and pleasure turned into a storm. Fire broke out in his house and its flames spread to all the rooms covering doors, windows, balconies and corridors. Lakshmichand woke up in fear and jumped from the bed. The people in the house ran for their life. Lakshmichand tried at this best to save his assets, savings and the things of comfort. One after another, he took out and saved safely all his costly furniture, Jewellery boxes, treasury box, lockers etc. His neighbours assisted him in saving his property and assets. They tried to extinguish the fire but the means were too short to cover the fire. However, efforts were on to put off the fire.

Lakshmichand stood helplessly and looked at flaming fire. He looked at the things – belongings – saved by him and his neighbours. Some from the neighbours, consoled him heartily and inquired if missed any thing. Sheth looked again at the items scattered around him, and said "Almost all valuable items have been recovered. I don't see anything missing. Thank you for helping me.' Meanwhile fire become more destructive and it's tall flames covered the roof due to stormy wind. A concerned neighbour asked inquisitively, 'What about your son ? Where is he ?' Every one looked at each other in worry and tension. Nobody knew with whom the child was. Child was not there. He was not seen by anybody.

Lakshmichand tried to recall his memory, and realized that though he was particular in regard to his valuables, he had not bothered for his own child. He had not thought about him. It means that the child was not attended by anybody – even by his father ! He then remembered that his son was alone in his rooms when fire broke to flames. Now that room and that area was burnt to ashes. Lakshmichand looked helplessly at his savings and said in sobs 'I ran after these things and saved them at the risk of my life. But I forgot the major one - my son – one who was to use these things. I forgot him. I lost him.

Dear Readers ! Fire is on. The world is burning by its deadly flames. There is fire of dissatisfaction, fire of desires, fire of passions ! The worldly souls are trying at their best to save their belongings from such destructive fire. They try to save some wishes, some aspirations, some desires, some comforts, some dignity ! They work hard to save it. Their efforts are on to save these. But they forget to save their soul. They forget the one, who consumes services, objects and pleasures. Whatever saved, is not of any use, if 'the soul' is not saved. Save your soul in the world. Devotion – Satsang – is the sure way to save the soul. Do devotion of Lord Swaminarayan, and ensure well being of your soul. Our saints in past have said that one should improve his benediction at the cost of millions and billions.

News And Notes From Shri Narnarayandev Desh

AHMEDABAD REGION

Lord Ghanshyam Maharaj at Narayanghat temple receives goldan Sukh-Shayya

A gold plated Sukhshyya was manufactured under the orders of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri, to present golden Sukh-Shuyya to Lord Ghanshyam Maharaj dwelling in Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Narayanghat Ahmedabad. H.H. Lalji Maharaj 108 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharajshri graced this temple and presented most ceremoniously the sukshshayya (bedstead) to Lord Ghanshyam Maharaj. S.G. Shasrti Harikeshavdasji was present on this religious occasion. He delivered a scholarly discourse on "पोढे प्रभु सकळ मुनि के श्याम." H.H. Lalji Maharajshri was received at the temple with the devotional tunes of "तेरी सांवरी सुरत छटादार" presented by Shri Dinesh Vaghasia. About fifteen hundred devotees were present on this occasion. The Sabha was conducted by Mahant Swami Ghanshyam Swami. The Thaal Aarti were presented to Lord Thakorji and Mahaprasad was distributed to all the devotees. *– Purnaprakashdas, Jamiyatpura.*

Purushottam Maas Hindola and Katha – Satsnag at Narayanghat Temple

Blessed river Sabramati has become a mobile Shrine by the blessed touch of Lord Swaminarayan Bhagwan and river side of Narayan Ghat has become a great Shrine for Shri Swaminarayan Sampradaya. Great Shrine – Narayanghat had maintained it's sanctity and pollution free purity dispite it's location at the center of greater Ahmedabad. S.G. Vasudevanand Varni had described the majesty of this holy place in his scripture of Satsangi Bhushan. Majestic Hindola festival shall be held here and Parayan Katha of Shrimad Satsangi Bhushan shall be conducted here under guidance from Mahant Swami Devprasaddasji with the due blessings and orders of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri and H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and senior devotees are to participate acitively in both these events. S.G. Purnaprakashdasji Swami (Shri Prabha Hanuman Mandir, Jamiyatpura) had consented to grace the seat of the main speaker of Parayan Katha. The Hindola of the twelve doors shall be exhibited on this occasion. The devotees are invited to participate in this devotional programmes.

: Programme :

Sastangi Bhushan Parayan : 21-7-04 to 31-8-04
Time : 5-30 to 6-45 p.m. daily

Hindola of the twelve Doors and Himalay View:
H.H. Acharya Maharajshri has consented to inaugurate the events on 18-7-04 and shall be on display during 18-7-04 to 31-8-04.

- Mahant Swami Ghanshyamprakasddasji

Harshad Colony (Bapunagar) Temple (Ladies)

A full day Dhoon session was conducted here on tenth day of the bright half of Jyeshtha to pay respect to Lord Shri Hari on his final journey to his divine abode of Akshardhaam. Dhoon session was atteneded by a large number of female devotees with the due blessings of Respected Gadiwalashri.

– Gordhanbhai Sitapara

Satsang Sabhas held in Dholka area

Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal which was founded here on eve of Platinum Jubilee Celebrations conducts week end Satsang in this area with the due guidance of Mahant Swami Jagatprakashdasji and Mahant-Vishnuprasaddasji Swami. Satsang Sabhas and Katha-Kirtan sessions were conducted in Bhayla, Simaj, Kocharia, Sankodara, Koth, Chaloda and Javaraj during April and May of this year and about fity to seventy Haribhaktas have joined our temple teams in conducting out-stationdevotional sessions.

Similar sessions are being conducted here at our temple on each ekadashi day and Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal of this place had prayed to Lalji Maharajshri to organize an youth Satsang camp at Dholka.

– Rakeshbhai Soni, Shri NNDYM, Dholka

Bhagwat Parayan at Haridwar Temple

Shrimad Bhagwat Parayan (28-5-04 to 3-6-04) was conducted here at the bank of holy river Ganga, with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Mahrajshri. Host Shri Mukundbhai Laljibhai Soni (Pune) and family was inspired by Kothari Swami Swayamprakashdasji to host this feast of religious knowledge. The seat of the main speaker of Parayan Katha was graced by Mahant Swami Shastri Vishwaprakashdasji and Samhita (text) was read by S.G. Vishwavallabhdasji. The Sabhas were conducted by Purnaprakshdasji Swami. The venue it self was the place where such Bhagwat Satsang was conducted in ancient time by Rishi Sanatkumars to preach the scripture to Naradji and

a similar satsang was conducted thereafter by Maitreya Muni to preach to Vidurji.

Our Swaminarayan Mandir a splendid Shrine is splendour and majesty of this river side. Parshada Ghanshyam Bhagat had extended loudable service in construction of this temple. The temple is now ready for the installation ceremony of the idols of God. A grand installation ceremony shall be organized in days to come and idols shall be installed by H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 Shri Tejendraprasadji Maharajshri of Shri Narnarayandev Desh. Local Maha Mandaleshwaras and local groups of the ascetics were invited to the temple by the Parayan hosts Shri Vijaybhai, Pareshbhai, Manishbhai and Vasantbhai. The hearty invitation from the family of the host was honoured by our Future Acharya H.H. Lalji 108 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharajshri and Parayan sessions were graced by him to give devotional pleasure to his devotees. S.G. Kothari Swami Satyaprakahsdasji, S.G. Shastri Harikrishnadasji, S.G. Swami Devprakahsdasji, S.G. Vishnu Swami, S.G. P.P. Swami (Junior) Kothari Swami Krishnavallabhdasji (Surendranagar), Shriji Swaroop Swami, Prabhu Swami (Junagadh), Mahant Shastri Swami Golokviharidasji (Badrinarayan) and other saints were present at this devotional feast of ultimate knowledge.

– Das Swami and Vallabh Bhagat

Idar Temple Celebrates 158th Annual Patotsava

The 158th Annual Patotsava was celebrated here at our Idar Temple with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri and 158th Patotsava Abhishekam was received early in the morning by Lord Gopinathji Harikrishna Maharaj. The Patotsava Abhishekam was presented by the saints and the religious rituals were hosted by the devotees Shri Dahyabhai patel (Netramali). The Maha Pooja was presented on this occasion to please Lord Shri Hari.

Our Future Acharya H.H. Lalji Mahaaj 108 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharajri graced this place by concluding his extensive religious tour of Chhapaiya-Lucknow-Delhi-Bombay and came to this place via Ahmedabad. He graced the inner temple of Lord Gopinathji Hari Krishna Maharaj and presented Annakut Aarti.

A special Satsang was conducted on this occasion. H.H. Lalji Mahrajshri graced the Sabha and received Poojan Archan from the host family. An enlightening discourse was delivered on this occasion by S.G. Swami Shastri Harikeshavdasji. The saints and Mahants from Laloda, Dholka, Torda, Narayangaht, Sokli, Ahmedabad, Gandhiangar and Hathijan were present on this occasion to sing the praises of Lord Shri Hari. H.H. Lalji Maharajshri has showered his hearty pleasure to Mahant Swami Jagdishprasaddasji. The Sabha was conducted by Shastri Harijivandasji.

- Sadhu Satyasankalpdas, Idar

The 43rd Annual Patotsava of Lord Ghanshyam Maharaj at Vadnagar Temple

Lord Ghanshyam Maharaj dwelling at Vadnagar temple, has received 43rd Patotsava Abhishekam on date 14-6-04 with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. The host Shri Dahyabhai M. Modi (Vadnagar) and his family was inspired by Mahant Swami Harisevadasji to celebrate this religious events by the blessed hands of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri.

H.H. Lalji Maharajshri graced the temple and presented Patotsava abhishekam to Lord Ghanshaym Maharaj amidst the chants of Vedic hymns. Full-dress Aarti was presented thereafter by H.H. Lalji Maharajshri.

A Sabha and special satsang was conducted on this occasion. H.H. Lalji Maharajshri graced the assembly and received poojan Archan from the devout hosts. History of this shine was presented in brief by S.G. Narayanvallabhdasji to explain majesty of this shrine. Devotional discourses were presented by Shastri Vishwaprakashdasji and trustee Shri Navinbhai M. Modi to explain glory and greatness of Shri Hari Hari, Dharmkul, Acharya and Sampradaya. The devotees were blessed by H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. H.H. Lalji Maharajshri graced the prayer hall of Gurukul and installed the picture idol of Lord Shri Hari. Gurukul students were blessed by him for their devotional fervour.

- Shastri Viswaprakashdas

Annual Patotsava of God at Aroda Temple

Annual Patotsava was celebrated here and Mahabhishekam was presented to Shri Hari with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. The celebrations and rituals were hosted by Shri Dahyabhai Nathjibhai Patel to earn pleasure of Shri Hari. Mahabhishekam, Annukut and Patotsava Aarti were presented to Lord Thakorji.

In our temple at Juna Aroda, the events of Mahabhishekam and Maha Pooja were hosted by Shri Mukeshbhai Kodarbhai. Mahapooja rituals were conducted most religiously by Shastri Swami Harijivandasji. Mahaprasadam was distributed to all the devotees and events were concluded with the praises of God presented by the saints and devotees.

- Sadhu Satyaprakashdasji

Kaliyana Temple

Katha-Kirtan and Dhoon Satsang was conducted here to earn the pleasure of Shri Hari and the blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. Shri Bhukubhai Jethubhai Mori, Shri Dahyabhai C. Butia, and Kotharishri have earned the pleasure of Shri Hari by their devout service at the Dhoon-Kirtan sessions. A large number of devotees have participated in this devotional session.

- Hirabhai B. Mori

Vehlal Temple

The evening dhoon session of the four hour duration was organized here to sing the praises of Shri Hari on the day of Shri Hari's departure to his divine abode of Akshardham. The devotees were encouraged by S.G. Chaitanya Muni to pay respect to Shri Hari by a constant Dhoon session. Besides a large number of Local devotees, the devotees from Bayad were present in this collective devotion.

- Gordhanbhai Sitapara

Harshad Colony (Bapunagar) Temple
Celebrated Annual Patotsava

The twentieth annual Patotsava was celebrated here at our Harshan colony temple and Mahabhishekam was presented to Lord Shri Hari.

Events were celebrated early in the morning on auspicious Ratha Yatra day. The four hour non-stop Dhoon session was concluded by H.H. Lalji Maharajshri and Annual Aarti was presented by him to Lord Thakorji. The Sabha was addressed by S.G. P.P. Swami (Junior), Chhapaiyaprasad Swami and other saints. The Sabha was concluded with the blessings of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri.

- Gordhanbhai Sitapara

Installation of the Idols of God at Ridrol Temple

Ridrol is a prasadi village of Shri Hari. A beautiful temple has been constructed here at this small village under the orders of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. The senior devotees Shri Vithalbhai, Shri Keshavlalbhai, Shri Kanubhai, Shri Vishnubhai and others have earned the pleasure of Shri Hari by their service. Lord Shri had graced this place with his celibate disciple Mulji Brahmchari and had the meal of Bati cooked by Mulji Brahmchari.

The five days parayan of Satsangi Jivan was organized on this grand occasion of Installation of the idols and Maha Vishnu Yaag and Maha Pooja were conducted on this religious events. Occasion seat of the main speaker of the Parayan Katha was graced by Shastri Swami Premswaroopdasji (Narayanpura) and Sanhita (text) was read by Swami Ghansyma Swaroopdasji.

H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced this place an 2-5-04 to install the idols and bless his evotees A grand Shobha Yatra was organized to receive H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the temple and installed the idols of God amidst the chants of vedic hymns.

A welcome assembly was organized to pay honour to our Supreme Preceptor H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the Sabha and received poojan-Archan from his disciples-Satsangis. Enlightening discourses were delivered by S.G. Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji and other saints to explain divinity and majesty of Shri Hari, Dharmavansh, Acharya, Dev and Satsang. The assembly was conducted by P.P. Swami (Junior). Annakut and Kitchen services were suprevised by S.G. Swami Devprakashdasji. The events were concluded with the blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri, 'Our resolute of constructing a temple at this place has been materialized I pray humbly to Lord Narnarayandev to bless this village with greater faith in Satsang of Shri Hari. *- Shastri Swami, Premswaroopdasji*

MULI REGION

Nasitpar

Our temple building at Nasitpur was damaged in the earthquake. The new temple building has been constructed there with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. Local Satsang was encouraged for this religious service by S.G. Kothari Swami Swayamprakashdasji and S.G. Swami Narnarayandasji. Mahant Swami Shastri Viswaprakashdasji and Shastri Swami Purnaprakashdasji have earned the pleasure of Shri Hari by their extensive guidance in this project.

Shrimad Bhagwat saptah (18-5-04 to 20-5-04) was organized on this occasion. The seat of the main speaker was graced by S.G. Swami Shastri Vishwaprakashdasji H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced this place on 21-5-04 to install the idols of God. A huge and colourful religious procession of four kilometer length was organized on this occasion to receive and falicitate H.H. Acharya Maharajshri – the sixth descendant son of Shri Hari. The one hundred forty holy cows ran in due decorum to escort H.H. Acharya Maharajshri and his ratinue. It was an instantaneous act from the hard of the cows. The cows took another form of Shri Hari – H.H. Acharya Maharajshri as their 'Gopalak Swami' - personal God and paid resepct to Lord Krishnas form.

H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the temple

and installed the idols of God by his blessed hands. He offered thereafter the conclusive offering of coconut to concluded the holy fire.

Special Satsang was organized on this occasion. H.H. Acharya Maharajshri graced the sabha and blessed the devotees; 'The Swaminarayan Temple is the center of receiving education of values and virtues, and the school is the centre of learning and knowledge. Supreme Lord Shri Hari dwells at the Swaminarayan Temple and Goddess of knowledge and spiritual wisdom dwells at the school.' H.H. Acharya Maharajshri was pleases by the services extended by both the establishments – temple and the school – for enlightenment of the growing generations. S.G. Shastri Mukundprasaddasji (Mahant Swami, Muli Temple) had earned the pleasure of Shri Hari by his guidance and support in construction of the temple. Kothari Ghanshyam Bhagat has extended loudable service in temple coustruction. S.G. Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji (former Mahant of Chhapaiya), S.G. Swami Devprakashdasji, S.G. Vishnu Swami, S.G. P.P. Swami (Junior), Kothari Swami Krishnavallabhdasji, Shastri Swami Ghanshyamprakashdasji and other saints were present on this occasion.

Respected Gadiwalashri was present on this occasion to bless her female devotees. H.H. Lalji Maharajshri graced the concluding ceremonies and presented invocation Aarti to Lord Thakorji. He concluded thereafter the Bhagwat Parayan and did Bhumi Poojan of the high school-building. He expressly desired that building construction shall be completed at the earliest by the grace of Lord Narnarayandev. A handsome fund of Rs. 2871000 was collected spontenously in benign presence of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. Shri Keshubhai Patel (Ex. C.M. Gujarat), MLAs, village representatives Shri Rameshbhai Maganbhai (Sona Ceramics), Bhurabhai Jerambhai Kansagara, Shri Hiralal Bhagwanji, Jerambhai and others were present on this occasion. The Sabha was conducted by Shastri Swami Purnaprakashdasji.

- Achalprakash and Samir Bhagat

Shri Swaminarayan Mandir (Ladies), Limbdi

Shriji Mahila Mandal of this temple conducts here Satsang Sabhas on Ekadashi and Punam Days to sing the praises of Lord Shri Hari. There are 150 participants in these Scheduled sessions. The events are conducted with the due blessings of Respected Gadiwalshri. *- Ramaben, Kanmlaben Soni*

Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Charadava

A group Maha Pooja was organized here on Poonam (full moon day) of Jyeshtha, with the due blessings of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri. The devotees were encouraged by Mahant Swami Jishnucharandasji for the group Maha Pooja events. The devotees from Charadava and near by places have participated collectively in this religious rituals. The sandal paste attires were presented daily to Lord Thakorji and Mahabhishekam was presented on full moon day. Bal-Sabha and Youth-Satsang meetings are conducted daily to spread benedictory message of Shri Hari. The Satsang activities are being conducted well with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri.

OVERSEAS

Buwe Meriland (Washington, ISSO, USA Chapter)

A three hours Satsang was conducted here at evening on May, 8 (Saturday) and Dhoon, Katha, Kirtan and Thaal Aarti were presented to please Shri Hari. The Satsang acitvities are being conducted well with the due blessings of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri. *- Kanubhai Patel*

AKSHARVAAS

Ahmedabad : Senior saint S.G. Shastri Swami Keshavcharan Swami passed away (21-6-04) to Akshardham, amidst chants of Shri Hari's divine names.

Ahmedabad : Parshad Shri Madha Bhagat (disciple of Late Madhavsinji Bhagat, Hajuri) Passed away (15-6-04) to Akshardham amidst the chants of Shri Hari's divine names.

Surat : Shri Amarshibhai Shamji Marvi (Jiragadh) passed away (19-5-04) to Akshardham amidst chants of Mahamantra.

Ahmedabad : Soni Shantilal Raghubhai Lavingiya (Pansina-Limbdi) passed away (16-5-04) amidst the chants of Shri Hari's name.

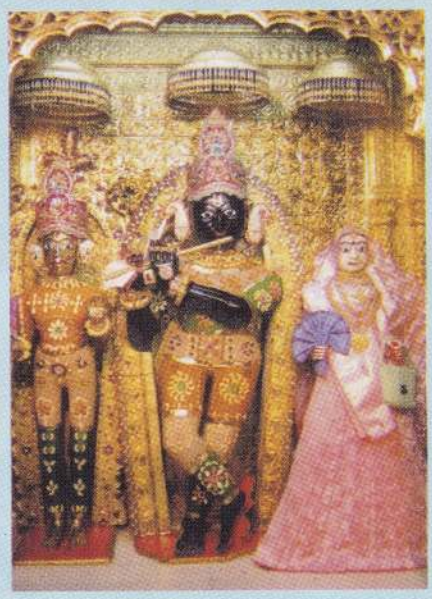
Ahmedabad : Smt. Sushilaben (W/o. Shri Kanubhai Patel, Aslali wala at Narayanpura) passed away (29-5-04) to Akshardham amidst chants of Shri Hari's blissful names.

Surendrangar : Devout lady Pushpaben Narayandas Alaiya passed away (13-6-04) to Akshardham amidst the chants of Shri Hari's divine names.

Modasa : Shri Hirabhai Sheth passed away (21-6-04) to Akshardham amidst the blissful chants of Shri Hari's name.



H.H. Lalji Maharajshri blesses Muslim leaders for their service in Platinum Jubilee celebrations and presents flower garlands to honour them.



Lord Shri Radhakrishadev Harikrishna Maharaj graces sandal paste attires at our Muli Dhaam.



The hosts of the Patotsava at Idar temple received divine pleasure in idol form of Shri Hari with the blessings of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri.



Group Maha Pooja at Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Charadava.





Host Shri Mukundbhai receives blessings of H.H. Lalji Maharajshri at our Haridwar temple. The deovtees are

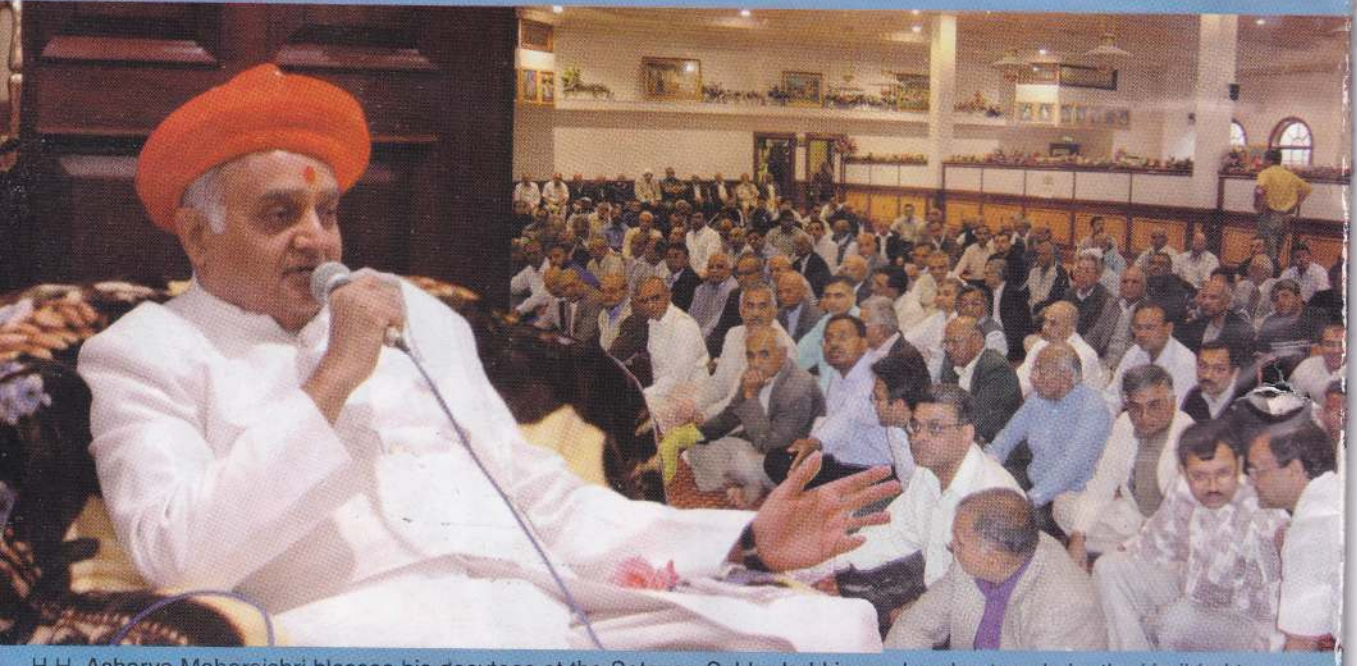




H.H. Acharya Maharajshri delves meditatively at the Satsang held in our Willsdonlane (London) Temple.



H.H. Acharya Maharajshri presents invocation Aarti to Lord Shri Hari in our temple at Ridrol.



H.H. Acharya Maharajshri blesses his deovtees at the Satsnag-Sabha held in our London temple by the Haribhaktas from Naraynpar (Kutch).