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H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing aarti of Thakorji on the occasion of Pancham Patotsav of Mahisa temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing aarti of Murti-Pratistha of Hanumanji in Suryanagar (Muli) temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing aarti of Prabha Hanumanji and Shakotsav on the occasion of 22nd Patotsav of Jamiyatpura temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj granting blessings in Dangarva temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing Shakotsav and granting blessings on the occasion of Bhoomi-Poojan of Raisan (Gandhinagar) temple.



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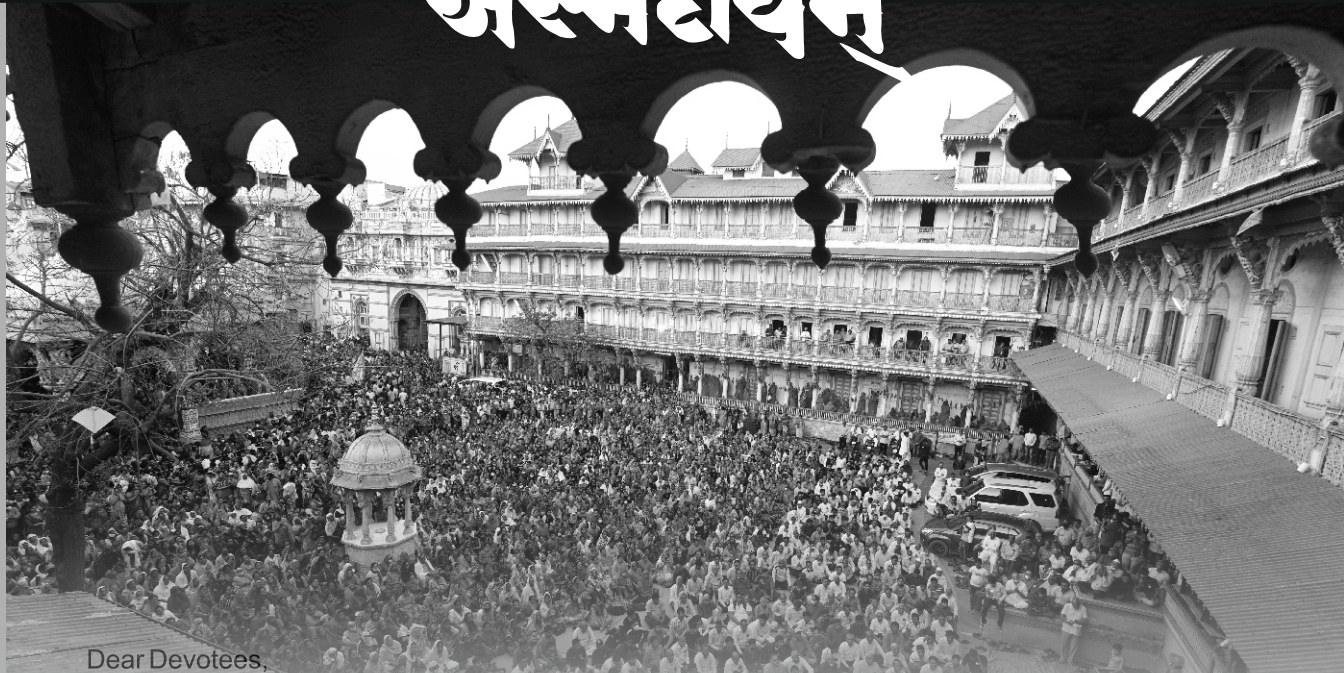
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Dear Devotees,

During the pious Dhanurmaas, all the devotees and Haribhaktas performed Dhoon very much with great enthusiasm in the pious SabhaMandap of Prasadi. ShreejiMaharaj has constructed this temple for this purpose only and it is being materialized. H.H. ShriAcharyaMaharaj and H.H. ShriLaljiMaharaj and we all are very much happy to note that the young children and youngsters remained present early in the morning and performed Dhoon.

We all celebrated divine Shakotsav in our temples. You must be remembering how all our devotees and Haribhaktas celebrated divine Shakotsav during Dhanur Maas in the pious company of Shree Narnarayandev and enjoyed and relished Prasad of Undhiyu and Jalebi. Shree SwaminarayanBhagwan Himself wrote pious ShikshaPatri in Samvat 1882 on the pious day of MahaSuddPanchmi - VasantPanchmi. Now in Samvat 2082 it would complete 200 years. Every year we have been celebrating Samaiyoof VasantPanchmi in Muli. Now H.H. ShriLaljiMaharaj has made an announcement that in the 200th year of ShikshaPatri, grand Samaiyo will be celebrated in our Satsang from 23/01/2026 till 27/01/2026. We have to think whether we are following the directions off ShreejiMaharaj or not and 'ShikshaPatri' is our invaluable and the most precious ornament. Maharaj has given us in writing : how to live life, purpose of human life and philosophy of Upasana.

What is the purpose of birth in this world? Maharaj has given directions to all Satsangis to behave cautiously while following 'ShikshaPatri'. Meaning of human birth would be realized only through Dharma, Artha, Kaam and Moksha and it is possible only through following 'ShikshaPatri' in letter and spirit. So let's celebrate this ShikshaPatriDwishatabdiVarsh in such a way that uplift ourselves in our life !

Jay Swaminarayan to all devotees and Haribhaktas.

Editor
Mahant Swami
Shastri Swami Nirgundasji

Appointment Diary of H.H. Acharya Maharajshri

(JANUARY - 2024)

- 3-4 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bharapar (Kutch) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha.
- 9 Graced the village Dangarva on the occasion of Katha Parayan.
- 10 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Chandkheda on the occasion of Katha. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur on the occasion of Ekadashi.
- 12 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupuron the occasion of Dhoon and performed Vaghar of Shakotsav in the Sabha and from there graced Shree PrabhaHanumanji temple, Jamiyatpura on the occasion of Patotsav and Raisan, Gandhinagar on the occasion of Parayan.
- 13 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Godhavi (ladies devotees) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha.
- 14 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalpur on the occasion of Purnahuti of Dhanur Maas Dhoon.
- 25 Performed Saint Mahadiskha in Kalupur temple.
- 28 Graced village Suryanagar (Muli Pradesh) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha of Shree Hanumanji Maharaj.
- 29 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Mahisa (Tal. Kapaddvanj) on the occasion of PanchamPatotsav.
- 30 Graced village Bhavnagarpura (Tal. Kalol) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha in Nutan Mandir.

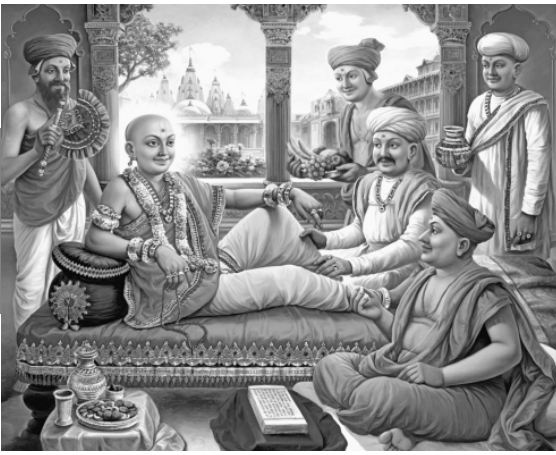


Appointment Diary of H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj

(JANUARY - 2024)

- 3 Graced village Mahij (Jetalpur Pradesh).
- 5 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Torda on the occasion of SabarkantaYuvakMandalSneh Milan, Shree Swaminarayan temple, Naranpura on the occasion of Shakotsav, BhoomiPoojan of new Shilaj temple and Parayan.
- 8 Graced Chandkheda on the occasion of Katha.
- 10 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupuron the pious day of Ekadashi.
- 12 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Mehsana on the occasion of Sneh Milan of YuvakMandal.
- 13 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vijapur on the occasion of Patotsav.
- 14 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur on the occasion of Purnahuti of Dhanur Maas Dhoon.
- 24 Graced village Ghamij on the occasion of Shakotsav.
- 28 Graced village Bhavnagarpura (Tal. Kalol) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha in NutanMandir.





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PODHE PRABHU SAKAL MUNI KESHYAM

- Sadhu Purushottamprakashdas (Jetalpurdham)

Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan decided to construct grand and great temples to install deep pillars of AtyantikKalyan and to continue SarvopariUpasana incessantly. As per His Sankalp first of all Swaminarayan Bhagwan got constructed a great temple with dome in Ahmedabad through Anandanand Swami.

Pratistha of this temple was performed on the pious day of Fagan Sud-TrijSamvat 1878 on Sunday 24/02/1822. In the central inner temple idol images of Bharatkhand Rajadhiraj Shree Narnarayandev were invoked and opened the Sadavrat of Moksha. Innumerable devotees availed the benefit of performing divine Darshan.

On the same day in the evening Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan called Muktanand Swami, Gopalanand Swami etc. great saints and told that though we have got ready this temple but we want to develop SewaRiti and Bhaktibhaavna as per Vaishnav tradition. In Vaishnav tradition Sewariti and Bhaktibhavana of Vitthalnathji the son of Vallabhacharyaji Maharaj is very much dear to us. But if we adopt the method of waking up and sleeping the deities then we should create Padas of Prabhatiya and Podhaniya so that special Bhakti Bhavna is developed in all the devotees. How shall we do it? What is your opinion? All the great saints happily accepted this proposal of Swaminarayan Bhagwan and the tradition of SewaRiti as per Vaishnavi tradition started in our temples.

Thereafter Shree Hari asked Muktanand Swami to create one Prarthnatmak Podhaniya because Bhagwan is to be offered sleeping Pada on the very same day. Then as per the directions of Shree HariMuktanand Swami created this Nutan Podhaniya in Bihag Raag at Sandhya time on the pious day of Fagan Sud-TrijSamvat 1878 namely "Podhe Prabhu Sakal Muni KeShyam"; and when it was time to offering sleeping to deities at night Muktanand Swami sung this Pada in the pious presence and in front of Maharaj. Swaminarayan Bhagwan and all the saints and devotees were very much happy.

Thereafter Swaminarayan Bhagwan addressed Sabha and told that Muktanand Swami has created this Pada exactly as per our wish and imagination in our heart. There is great importance of Bhagwan ardently described in this Pada and so now all shall sing this Podhaniyu cherishing ardent love and affection in the hearts and we shall be very much pleased.

This Pada of Podhaniyu is Prasadik since the time of ShreejiMaharaj and as per the directions of Shree Hari this Podhaniyu is being sung by all the devotees at night in each and every of our temples. All the devotees should also sing this Podhaniyu in front of the deities of their GharMandir every night. When this Podhaniyu is sung cherishing ardent feelings in the heart, Bhagwan Himself comes in the heart. Since then in all the nine great temples of the time of Shree Hari it was started to sing this Podhaniyu after NityaNiyam and thereafter a tradition of singing this Pada also started in saint Mandal of HariMandirs and today this Podhaniyu is being sung in the whole Satsang.



Ishtadev Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan got constructed the first ever Shree Swaminarayan temple of the world in Ahmedabad and invoked the idol images of Shree Narnarayandev on the pious day of Fagan Sud-3 Samvat 1878 and opened up Sadavrata of Moksha for all Mumukshus Jivatmas and performed ShuddhaSankalp of offering meals to Brahmadev and accordingly Brahma-Choryasi was organized on the pious day of Fagan Sud-5.

There is great and wonderful description of this Brahma-Choryasi in the

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SHREE HARI IS PRESENT IN EACH AND EVERY IOTA OF KANKARIA SANCTIFIED BY CHARANKAMAL OF SHREE HARI

- SadguruShastri Swami Narayanvallahdasji
(Mahant, Vadnagar temple)

scriptures of Shree Swaminarayan Sampradaya. During those times, it was considered to be a very rare and pious thing to organize such a divine Choryasi. Even today while moving around on the bank of Kankarialake one feels divine peace and serenity which is permeating throughout and therefore it is being experienced divinely. Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan is present in each and every iota of the pious land of Kankaria and our Shree Balswaroop Kastabhanjandev temple and Shree Swaminarayan temple of Kankaria is an evidence of it.

Pride of Sampradaya

Dr. Sanjaybhai Shah the son of devotee Shri Ghanshyambhai Shah (retired officer of S.T.) has been rendering services at Apollo Hospital, Bhat-Gandhinagar. On 11/01/2025 he has been honoured with Leaders of New Bharat by the Times of Network and the award was offered to him by Hon'ble Shri Patil sir for his excellent services in Truma Care and Emergency Service. The whole Dharmkul blesses him for his progress in life.

Appointment of New Mahant Swami of Kankaria-Himatnagar temple

Kankaria Rambaug Ahmedabad :
Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Abhishekprasaddasji Guru Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Narayanvallahdasji (Vadnagar) has been appointed as New Mahant Swami of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Rambaug (Kankaria), Ahmedabad.

Himatnagar : Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Sadgundasji has been appointed as New Mahant Swami of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Himatnagar.

Satsang Sabha of Poonam

For obtaining pleasure of Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Swami Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji of Ahmedabad temple on the pious day of Posh Sud-15 on Monday 13/01/2025 Satsang Sabha, Thaal to Thakorji, Rasoi to saints-Haribhaktas etc. were organized wherein one ardent devotee had rendered the services as the host devotee. Shastri Swami Nilkanthcharandasji (Koteswar) had rendered the services as the spokesperson of Katha.



BLESSINGS FROM 7TH AND 8TH HEIR OF SHREE HARI



- Compilation : Gordhanbhai V. Sitapara (Hirawadi, Bapunagar)

H.H. Shri Maharaj : On the occasion of 7th Varshik Patotsav of Panchvati Kalol temple, 09/12/2024 : This is the way and method of this world that those who work are ours. P.P. Swami talked about the land and it is basically a very good thing.

The British Government was not directly involved in running our country India. The British Government had engaged East India company and their behalf this company was running our country. There was great impact of Maharaj upon all. When the officers of the company first met Maharaj, they asked Maharaj whether you have any Muth or not. When so many nice activities are being conducted by you then we offer you as much of the land as required by you. Maharaj replied that even the handkerchief held in the hand has got the weight. To preserve the handkerchief and when it is dropped from the hand, picking up the handkerchief is in itself maintenance. We all sing about nature of Maharaj in Padas of Swabhavik Chestas. We also listen them in Vachanamrit and Leela Charita. Witnessed the huge crowd of the people during Pratistha Mahotsav of Ahmedabad temple and in order to deal with Upadhi of Choryasi, Maharaj hid himself in Rayan of Ganesh Dholka upon completion of Utsav. In our language to detox Himself. Now something new like this

is in fashion. To detox the body i.e. in simple words purification of the body and mind. We want peace by going away from the crowd of the people but in fact this is Leela of Maharaj to abstain from the pride of doing something even after successful completion of Utsav.

Sankalp of Mandir was cherished by Maharaj and so the land of Kalupur temple was given. Maps and original documents of the land of that time are with us which we have not opened for all. From Kalupur railway station till Sidi Saiyad Jali all lands are ours. But as Mahant Swami just told, if we do not remain vigilant everything would be gone. All of you know this history. When the land was finalized the officers told that the land would be offered for the lease of 99 years. Maharaj refused to accept this condition. Since the company officials had only that much authority and powers, they sent a letter to the Queen of England and thereafter signature and seal of the Queen of England were obtained and appended upon the land documents. These papers are with us. It was full-proof system of Maharaj!

We have to learn a lot from this. Letter of the time of Choryasi organized by Maharaj is with us and it is kept in our Museum. But most of us casually visit Museum, perform Darshan of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and return home while gossiping. In fact these letters of Prasadi are

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worthy to be read and studied. There is an idea being mooted to magnify these letters to make them easily readable. When Maharaj organized Choryasi, all the leading devotees were ardently directed that whenever they would obtain the groceries from the businessmen, they will have to be informed that they will have to accept the unused grocery items. How careful and meticulous the arrangement! One should be very much careful and meticulous in the smallest of things because everything is of Dev and of Bhagwan and we have been performing His Bhajan and we believe Him to be Sarvopari and we perform Smaran Pooja everyday in the morning and our existence is due to Him.

Devotee Prahladbhai has been sitting here. What was the condition we witnessed in Karjisan? What was the condition in Mokhasan? There are 25 more such examples. What would you do if somebody takes away your belongings? One can earn money if the wallet has been pic-pocketed but faith and trust cannot be earned like money once they are stolen. Maharaj has maintained this Satsang with utmost care and caution. While issuing directions in the pious 'ShikshaPatri' Maharaj has uttered and written two important words. One should follow our directions with utmost love and affection and care and caution. We have to do this only.

Our temples are there for us so that we can have right direction, we can preserve our Samskaras. From our temples we come to know about our direction. Mala has been offered to male Haribhaktas but how many of them have been performing Mala? You may kindly handover them to the section of ladies devotees because in fact these ladies

devotees have been performing Mala. મંદિર એટલા માટે છે કે મંદિરથી આપણે દિશા પકડી શકીએ છીએ. સંસ્કાર જાળવી શકીએ છીએ. મંદિરથી આપણી ગતિ કઈ બાજુ છે એની ખબર પડે છે.

Bhagwan would not come if our mind roams anywhere and everywhere while performing Mala. Mala is a means and not the goal. We should always remember that the means can never be a goal.

Gopalanand Swami, MuktanandSwai, Brahmanand Swami, Nityanand Swami, Gunatitanand Swami etc. saints were sitting and Maharaj asked how many Malas have been performed so far? Then the saints replied that it would be far better even if one complete Mala is performed! The saints told the innocent truth. Otherwise everything is done in this world. everything new has been termed as miracle and scriptures start being written on the miracles. People have been so much playing with the mind through newspaper, mobile, television and social media that one does not get enough time to think with intelligence and prudence. Today people do not have time for others. They do not have time even for themselves. If for some time a person sits alone, it pricks himself!

I always cite the example of Mokhasan. There a mirror has been placed exactly in front of the idol images of Shree Radhakrishnadev in the temple. It has been placed there to see and realize and to become conscious where am I standing. We went inside the temple and came out of the temple, and the mirror has been pleased to see and comprehend whether any change has occurred or not. We are very lucky that we have received such temples, such saints and such Haribhaktas. For the last three

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days we have been moving in this area, Vadu and Gandhinagar and nearby areas. We all are meeting each other and there is a pleasure in it. All of you have been cherishing ardent love and affection towards Satsang. We have to hand over this to our children – the future generation. We do not have to apply our mind because Maharaj has written 212 Shlokasin the pious ShikshaPatri. Everything is done if we remain under the directions of Maharaj. We get detoxed by performing divine Darshan of Bhagwan. our mind, intellect and nature all are purified by our temples. Temples are our spiritual nourishment.

All of them deserve praise. Yagnaprakah Swami is highly active. He is in Turbo-mode in America. All our saints are in Turbo-mode. Narayanprasad Swami is an elder saint and then also he is in Turbo-mode. He has been performing vicharan in the villages and has been nourishing Satsang in the devotees of these villages. Even Haribhaktas are also in double Turbo-mode because it is not a small thing to organize Utsav-Samaiya. It is very difficult. All the saints especially Uttam Swami has been preserving Satsang through Katha-Varta and thereby he has been preserving all of you. All the saints have been performing Vicharan in the villages. I like the villages very much but the villages have been vacated. But it is good that Utsav, Samaiya and Katha-Vartas are still being performed and organized in the villages.

Just see to it that our land, birthplace and the place of our elders, the roots of our Satsang are preserved and our temples are preserved. It is necessary. We do not have to take anything. Our clothes, car etc. are of Dev. You may verify this with the registration

number of the car. Now it is available online and this is an Open Offer. Billing of blood and billing of breath is also issued in the temple. What is ours? In fact everything is of Acharya. Just read DeshVibhagLekh. Everything is the personal property of Acharya. Sadhu, Brahmchari, Pala, Haribhaktas any of them should not make any claim in this regard at any time. Then also what have we kept with us? Where to move carrying all this burden? Whatever was personally ours has also been left and forsaken. We have kept Bhagwan with us and everything is included in it. If we would not have kept Bhagwan with us, we do not know where we would have been. There is divine happiness in offering anything to Bhagwan. today I am happy, we are laughing and speaking and the reason for this is that Bhagwan is here sitting with us and so we need not worry about it. We have to simply work hard. Everything is of Bhagwan. You do not have to give in writing your shop and house because they are your requirements. And how would Dharmado come if they are not there with you? You have been offering Dharmado and you have been contributing in every respect then only temples and Utsavs are being organized in the world.

It is an humble prayer at lotus-like feet of Shree Narnarayandev that we may keep on get together and do such things by which we obtain pleasure of Bhagwan.

H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj, on the occasion of Shrimad Bhagwat Panchan Katha, Moyad, 20/12/2024 : Swaminarayan Bhagwan has blessed us all and has given us Satsang and then it becomes the duty of all of us that we remain ardently attached with Satsang and always

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remain under the directions of Bhagwan.

Bhagwan has made it clear to us as to what should we do and what should not we do. How to live our life and how not to live. From where should we take Prasad and from where should we not. Which type of Murti should be worshipped and which should not be worshipped. Sang of which people should be performed and of which person we should not. Everything has been made transparent. But nowadays people believe in complicating the things which are simple.

No any other Sampradaya is as simple as our Original Swaminarayan Sampradaya. Original Sampradaya is very transparent and there is no any wrong agent or there is no any hidden agenda. All the means have been given by Bhagwan by which Bhajan and Bhakti and Katha Varta of Bhagwan can be performed. Kalyan of Jeev is the only and main objective in Swaminarayan Sampradaya. Maharaj has given the facility to ensure happiness for all in this Lok and Parlok. It has been received very easily so it is our pious duty to remain ardent devotees of Bhagwan and to remain under the directions of Maharaj. Maharaj has given us Shiksha Patri. Vachanamrit is Para Vaani of Maharaj. Maharaj Himself has said that Our Vaani is our Swaroop. So let us listen, read and understand all these pious scriptures and remain firmly attached with the principles of our original Sampradaya. This is important because the present time is such which takes a person away from

Satsang. Social media is not bad but there is overload of information. Question and confusion arise as to what is to be believed or what is not to be believed. Therefore it is very difficult for those who are new in Satsang. Scriptures have been offered by Bhagwan and so one should read those scriptures which have been given by Bhagwan and which are being narrated by the saints who have obtained Diksha from Acharya Maharaj.

200 years ago when Maharaj established Sampradaya then Maharaj knew that the time which is prevailing today is going to come. Just think, today we have to use the words 'Original Sampradaya'. Maharaj has made all the arrangements and has given all the facilities by which we remain attached with the principles of original Sampradaya. Scriptures have been given by Maharaj. All the directions have been given in clear terms and nothing is required to be added or reduced from it. Simply we have to remain under the directions.

We should express our gratitude for the things which we have received so easily. We should remain in Satsang cherishing Gun-Bhav, Gun-Buddhi and mutual love and affection. We are very much happy to come here because though this village is small but Satsang of the devotees of this village is big and devotees of the village residing either in the village or abroad are ardent devotees of our Sampradaya.

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SADRA – VASNADESH : OUR HARI TEMPLES AND PLACES OF PRASADI

- Bipin Patel, Gandhinagar

Shree Hari has sanctified the soil of Gujarat. Earlier we have relished the importance of the villages of Prasadi of Dehgam and Vasna Rathod. Now let us know the importance of the villages Pardhol and Sonarada.

(1) Pardhol: While going ahead after performing Darshan at village Vasna Rathod at a distance of about 6 km village Pardhol is situated on Naroda-Dehgam road.

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and under his supervision and guidance, Shree Swaminarayan temple, Pardhol has been constructed. Very beautiful Hari-mandir just like a temple with dome has been made. Pratistha of deities in Pardhol temple has been performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj on 05/12/2023. In the center of the throne Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj and on right side Shree Narnarayandev and on left side Shree Radhakrishnadev have been invoked.

Village Vahelal of Prasadi is situated near to Pardhol which has been included in KanbhaDesh and its importance is also great.

Now let us understand the importance of Nutan Shree Swaminarayan temple, Sonarada situated in the village Sonarada.

(4) Sonarada : At the distance of about 4 k.m. from Pardhol village Sonarada is situated on Naroda-Dehgam road. History of Sonarada is also golden like the gold. Muktanand Swami came out victorious in Dharmasabha of Vadodara. Maharaja Sayajirao of Vadodara had

specially invited. When Shreeji Maharaj converted the robber Joban Pagi into a satsangi devotee, Maharaja of Vadodara was very much impressed and after performing divine Darshan of Shreeji Maharaj, two elephants were offered in gift. When Shreeji Maharaj told that himself being a Brahmin how these two elephants would be maintained, Maharaja of Vadodara offered two villages in gift to Shreeji Maharaj. One of these two villages is this village Sonarada and another village is Isand situated near Kalol. Sayajirao Maharaj told Shreeji Maharaj that from the income produce of these two villages, the two elephants can be maintained. Thus, importance of this village received in gift by Shreeji Maharaj is unique. Upon entering the village a beautiful entrance gate has been made by the temple.

With the directions and supervision and guidance of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj, Nutan Shree Swaminarayan temple, Sonarada has been constructed. Pratistha of deities in the inner temple has been performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj on 17/01/2023. In the center of the beautifully carved throne there is idol image of Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj and to its right side there is Shree Narnarayandev and to its left side there is Shree Radhakrishnadev granting divine Darshan. A beautiful community hall has also been made in this temple. Today this hall is being very much useful for Katha-Satsang and during social occasions.

It is worth to avail the benefit of divine Darshan of new grand temples in these beautiful villages.

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For the convenience of all Haribhaktas and with the pious Sankalp of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and Dharmkul from this year onwards now New Sthapana Deen of Shree Swaminarayan Museum will be celebrated on 29th of March every year.

List of Host devotees who availed the benefit of Abhishek of Shree Narnarayandev in Shree Swaminarayan Museum-January-25

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| 01/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Kantibhai Gokaldas Patel - Vaduwala inspiration of Swami Yagnaprakashdasji, Mahant of Kalol (Panchvati) temple. |
| 03/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Ketanbhai Keshavlal Khichadia - Maninagar. |
| 05/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Vishnubhai Hargovinddas Patel - Deusanawala, Ranip on the occasion of birthday of the nephew Dev. |
| 06/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Praptiben Jigarbhai Zala - Jivraj park. |
| 19/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Dr. Simons Jashubhai Chaudhary - Solaiya (Mansa) through Popatbhai Virjibhai Chaudhary Kothari. |
| 26/01/2025 | Devotee Shri Jagrutiben Rajendrabhai Patel - Maninagar. |

List of devotees who rendered their services under Shree Swaminarayan Museum Maintenance Bhet Yojna-January-25

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| Rs.11,00,000/- | Devotee Shri Adarsh Bhavik Sanjaybhai Patel Ramdas Bapa Parivar - Unava for obtaining the pleasure of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, H.H. Shri Mota Gadiwala and the whole Dharmkul. |
| Rs.51,000/- | Devotee Shri Jayendrabhai C. Soni - Paliyadwala - J.C. Jewellers. |

10 gram, 20 gram, silver coins of Shree Narnarayandev are available at Shree Swaminarayan Museum for offering it on pious occasions and for personal preservation.

Instruction:- On every pious day of Punam, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj shall perform aarti in the morning at 11.30 hours in Shree Swaminarayan Museum.

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**FROM THE BLESSINGS OF H.H.
SHRIGADIWALA ON THE OCCASION
OF SATSANGSABHA OF EKADASHI
(KALUPURMANDIR – HAVELI, "ONE
SHOULD KEEP ON TRYING
CONSTANTLY TO BECOME WORTHY
OF BLESSINGS":**

**(Compilation :KotakVarshaNatvarlal –
Ghodasar)**

Recently all of us heard in Katha that there is such a divine pleasure in each and every hair and part of body of Bhagwan. just think Chhapaiya is the birthplace of Bhagwan. so the moment we got there and place our leg on the pious land and by performing divine Darshan of Murti of Balswaroop Ghanshyam Maharaj we feel divine serenity and all our 'Sankalp-Vikalp' are stopped. So how would be experience when we would meet Maharaj face to face! For that we need to be pure and the specialty of our mind is that one mind is affected by the atmosphere and started thinking accordingly. When this Jeev enters into this world, there is 60% SattvaGuna. RajoGuna and TamoGuna are much less compared to SattvaGuna. But over a period of time through captivity of rope of Prakruti this Jeev gets tied in this world and we see mainly four conditions of human beings in such a situation.

(1) MudhAvastha : There is prominence of TamoGuna in the people having MudhAvastha. They are lazier due to TamoGuna. They like the meals very much. They sleep much and they do not like to do anything.

(2) KshiptaAvastha : In the people having KshiptaAvastha there is prominence of RajoGuna. They cherish the desire to increase their Aishwarya. They like to remain engrossed in wealth, property and Vishay Bhog. Mind of such RajoGuni people does not remain stable. Their mind is very active and agile but in worldly matters.

(3) VikshiptaAvastha : There is prominence of SattvaGuna in the people having VikshiptaAvastha. Even such people also do not remain stable in their mind. When they sit to perform Dhyana, their mind starts remembering the old things and incidents. Resultantly their mind becomes disturbed and yet Chitta of such people remains concentrated in Bhagwan. and so their Karma Bandhans get loosen and their Kalyan becomes easier.

(4) NirodhAvastha : People who are above all these three stages of mind their Samadhi is known as SarvatitUnmatAvastha. But it is very difficult to achieve this state of mind in this Kaliyuga. With the blessings of Shree Narnarayandev, one can achieve this NirodhAvastha.

All of you are sitting here because all of you are SattvaGuni and all of you do everything viz. Darshan, Pooja etc. and yet in certain condition or situation the mind gets disturbed because we are living in this world of Maya and Maya is going to create obstacles in life. We have received Shree Narnarayandev in our life and He is Kalpa-Vruksha for all of us. We get everything we demand. The people who roam somewhere else leaving Him are fools. So our Upasana should be Shuddha. And for that we have to keep our

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inner-self pure. Because even deities like Brahma are craving for Satsang and this Satsang is received by us very easily. In order to remain worthy of blessings of Shree Narnarayandev we have to make constant efforts. We should become worthy that we can see in the divine Darshan, you will remember Doshas lying within you and this is good. Bhagwan gives you a signal that these are your Doshas and you need to come out of them. Bhagwan explains you that you have uplifted yourself but there are some Doshas in you and He inspires you to get rid of them. Thus Bhagwan gives us an opportunity to improve upon our mistakes and so we should grab this opportunity. This Satsang is such a divine path where all other roads meet. This is a highway. In Navadha Bhakti in Satsang, everyone gets Bhakti of one's own choice and so while controlling our mind and being hard towards our self we should perform Bhakti.

You may have heard that people who are doing wrong in this Kaliyuga become happy in their life. But if you look into their lives minutely this is not true. On the contrary they are disturbed and are not happy with whatever they have. We need to destroy the sin from our life. And this is the greatest message we get from Shree Krishna Bhagwan in Krishna Avatar. Bhagwan has told that the common people will follow the conduct of the great people. So we need to destroy Adharma and to protect Dharma. This is the greatest lesson we need to learn from the history. Karmas are being performed as per Kaal and Prarabdh is made as per Karma and one gets result as per Prarabdh. And they cannot be avoided. Only with the blessings of Bhagwan Shree

Krishna such Prarabdh is forgiven. So if there are blessings of Shree Narnarayandev all our offences are pardoned and so we should keep on performing Bhajan and should be vigilant and alert that no any wrong Karmas are committed by us. By doing such actions by which prominence of SattvaGuna is increased, we have to continue our constant efforts of obtaining the blessings of Bhagwan.

SHREE HARIVANVICHARAN :AYODHYAPURI

- LabhubenManubhai Patel (Kundal)

House of Ayodhya is very delicate and clean. As per Hindu Dharma, there is Paniyaru in the verandah and there is a set of water-pots on it and there is a place of Vidhna Vinayakdev Ganpati Maharaj. Shree Hari has performed innumerable Leela in Ayodhya. Wherein in stead of ring of SuvasiniBai sweets were relished at the shop of Sukhadiya. The cooks were surprised to witness this. Now Ghanshyam intends to abandon house and for that he has been waiting for a pious day. Prior to performing GrihaTyag divine Gati has been granted to the parents and two Shlokas have been explained with meaning which are essence of SatsangiJivan. Thereafter He performed Prarthna to GanpatiMaharaj so that there are no obstacles during Vanvicharan after GrihaTyag. So every person should perform Prarthna to Ganpati Maharaj to remove all miseries which may come in life. By performing VanvicharanKalyan of crores of Jeevas is to be done. So on the pious day of Ashadh Sud-10 Friday Samvat 1849 in the early morning Shreeji Maharaj started

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Vanvicharan wearing Valkal and carrying ShaligramBatvo, Gutko, Tumbadi, string, water-siever, PalasDand, MunjMekhala, mala, Janoi, Kopin and MrigCharma. Really great is such a Tyag at such a delicate age.

(1) “ક્યાં બાળપણની રમત, ક્યાં પામવો સિધુનોમત.”

(2) “ઘોર અંધારી રે રાતલડી, પરોઢિયાની કોર, નીકળ્યા રે,

નીકળ્યા રે વનવિચરણને કાજે ધર્મકિશોર.”

ભાંગવા ભાંગવા રે, પર દુઃખ ભાંગવા, ભાંગવા ભવનો રોગ.

In order to grant blessings to all JeevatmasBhagwan has performed Grihatyag and has entered in the forest.

LIFE OF JIVUBA

- VinabenNarendrabhaiThakkar (Bopal)

EbhalKhachar of village Gadhada of Bhavnagar district had two wives. (1) Surprabha the daughter of Raja Nagar of Kariyani and through her Jivuba-Laduba, Panchuba-Nanubawere born. (2) Somadevi the daughter of Raja Rangami of Botad and through her Dada Khachar was born.

Two three babies of Surprabha died immediately after birth. Only Jivuba survived and so she was named 'Jivuba'. As she was born on the pious day of Poonam, her second name was Punamatiba. She was the eldest among all the children. Third name was Motiba and fourth name was Ja.

Right from early childhood Jivuba was an ardent devotee and so ShreejiMaharaj had offered her small Swaroop of Balmukund. This Jivuba was rendering ardent services to BalmukundSwaroop. Looking all this EbhalKhachar said to her that at this age she should play, dance, eat, drink and enjoy. This pooja and worship are

good at an elder stage of old age. But Jivuba was firm and she replied to her father that there is no guarantee of this life and one should keep on performing Bhakti right from the early age.

તાતને ન ગમતુ લગાર, તે પણ નમ્યા વારમવાર ॥
ધન્ય બાઈ તમારી ભગતિ, છેલાઈમાં મેં ન જાણી
ગતિ ॥૧૪॥

When Jivuba became young, she was got married with HathiyaPatgar the son of Amara Patgar the Gamdhani of village Kundal. But Jivuba prays to Maharaj that in Treta Yuga she has got married with Ramchandra as 'Sita' the daughter of Janakraja, in Dwapar Yuga she has got married with Shree Krishna as 'Rukmani' the daughter of Bhishmak raja and in Kaliyuga she has got married with Shree SwaminarayanBhagwan as 'Jivuba' the daughter of EbhalKhachar. The moment the husband enters the room of Jivuba, he feels as if a Nagan (snake) was there and so Raibai and Amara Patgar sends of Jivube to Gadhada in Velada.

Thus Jivuba was incarnation of Laxmiji and by rendering devout services to Maharaj and by preaching sermons to Ladudan and his eyes were opened and Shree Hari granted him Diksha and was given the name Shrirangdasji.

Shree Hari granted new vision to Jivuba. Jivuba could see all the Leela being performed by Maharaj. Adibai of Panchala had studied 'Sati Gita' from Jivuba. When RatanbaiBhavsar of village Gadhada came to perform Darshan of Motiba.

This Sankhya Yogi Karmayogiand incarnation of LaxmijiJivuba passed away to Akshardham in JethMaas in VikramSamvat 1916.

सतसंग नववड

Shrimad Bhagwat Ratriya Saptah Parayan organized by Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur during the pious Dhanur Maas for the benefit of proposed newly constructed Shree Swaminarayan temple, Shilaj

With the blessings of Parabrahma Paramatma Sarvopari Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji, Shrimad Bhagwat Saptah Ratriya Parayan was organized during the pious Dhanur Maas from Posh Sud-02, 01/01/2025 till Phsh Sud-07, 07/01/2025 with famous Kathakara Sampradaya Sadguru Shastri Swami Ramkrishnadasji (Koteswar) as the spokesperson for the benefit of acquisition of the land for Nutan Shree Swaminarayan temple, Shilaj. Thousands of devotees of Bodakdev, Thaltej, Science City and Shilaj availed the benefit of this pious occasion. On this occasion host devotee of Bhoomi Poojan of Nutan Mandir devotee Shri Hirabhai Sagarbhai Thakkar, Urmilaben Hirabhai Thakkar (Thaltej) through Tejalben Vijaybhai Thakkar, Priyaben Sanketkumar; chief host devotee of Katha devotee Shri maheshbhai Lalbhai Paatel through Renukaben Maheshbhai Patel; host devotee of Pothiyatra and Bhojan Ganga Swaroop Leelaben Narayanbhai Patel through Harshadbhai; host devotee of saint poojan devotee Shri Ghanshyambhai Somdas Patel (Dangarva) and so many other devotees had availed the benefit of rendering their devout services on this pious occasion.

On 05/01/2025 H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj had graced the occasion and had performed Bhoomi Poojan of proposed Nutan temple and

Shakotsav. On the same day H.H. Shri Gadiwala had also graced the occasion to grant the blessings to the ladies devotees. The whole arrangement was made by Shree Narnarayandev Satsang Mandal of Bodakdev, Thaltej, Shilaj and Science City. Saints from various places had arrived on this occasion. Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji (Kothari, Kalupur temple) had conducted the Sabha very beautifully on this occasion. (Shree Narnarayandev Satsang Mandal of Bodakdev, Thaltej, Shilaj and Science City)

Shrimad Bhagwat Ratriya Saptah Parayan organized by Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur for the benefit of proposed newly constructed Shree Swaminarayan temple,

Raisan (P.D.P.U.) Gandhinagar

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the noble Sankalp and directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji of Kalupur temple, Shrimad Bhagwat Saptah Ratriya Parayan was organized during the pious Dhanur Maas from 08/01/2025 till 12/01/2025 with famous Kathakara Sampradaya Sadguru Shastri Swami Ramkrishnadasji (Koteswar) as the spokesperson for the benefit of land and Nutan temple. Thousands of devotees of nearby areas availed the benefit of this pious occasion and also rendered their beautiful services for raising the fund. So many devotees rendered their services as host devotees. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj had graced this occasion and had blessed all the devotees. Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji (Kothari, Kalupur temple) had conducted the Sabha very beautifully on this occasion. (Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji)

Shree Harismruti Parayan in village Dangarva

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the noble Sankalp and directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji of Kalupur temple and Sadguru Mahant Swami Dharmswaroopdasji (Nathdwara) and with the pious shubh Sankalp of devotee Shri

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Madhuben Kantilal Patel (Dalal) of Dangarva, Parayan of Shree Hari Smruti Katha by Sadguru Shree Nishkulanand Swami was organized with famous Kathakara Sampradaya Sadguru Shastri Swami Ramkrishnadasji (Koteshwar) as the spokesperson whose benefit was availed by thousands of devotees. On 09/01/2025 H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj had graced the occasion, performed Darshan-Aarti in temple and had graced the Sabha and had blessed the host devotee Shri Kantibhia Patel (Dalal) family. H.H. Shri Gadiwala had also graced the occasion and had blessed the ladies devotees. Sabha of the whole occasion was conducted by Sadguru Shastri Swami Vasudevcharandasji (Porda). Saints from various places had arrived on this occasion. (Kothari, Dangarva)

Murti Pratistha Mahotsav and Katha-Parayan

With the blessings of Sarvopari Ishtadev Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendrprasadj Maharaj and with the inspiration and blessings of H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the beautiful guidance of Mahant Swami Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Purushottamprakashdasji of Kalupur temple, construction of grant temple of ladies devotees in village Godhavi under the direct supervision of H.H. Shri Gadiwala, Murti Pran Pratistha Mahotsav was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm from 11/01/2025 Posh Sud-12-13 till 13/01/2025 Posh Sud-15. On this occasion Shrimad Bhagwat Dasm Skanda Tridinatmak Parayan was organized with Sadguru Shastri Swami Satyasankalpdasji (Mahant of Naranghat temple) as the spokesperson. On this occasion Shree Vishnu Yaag, Pothiyatra, Nagaryatra, Murti Pratistha Annakut etc. programmes were organized wherein all Vaghela families of the village had rendered their devout services as the host devotees.

On 13/01/2025 H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj graced the occasion and performed Murti Pratistha ritual and H.H. Shri Gadiwala performed Annakut Aarti of Thakorji in Nutan Mandir and blessed the Sabha organized on the occasion and blessed all the ladies devotees. Saints from various places had arrived on this

occasion. Sabha during the whole occasion was conducted beautifully by Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji (Kothari, Kalupur temple) and Parshad Mahendra Bhagat. (Kothari, Godhavi temple)

Parayan in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Harshad colony

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala, Shrimad Satsangijivan Panchanh Parayan was organized in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Harshad Colony from 03/01/2025 till 07/01/2025 with Sankhya Yogi Bhartiba, Gitaba, Minaba, Mayuraba and Rekhaba as the spokespersons.

All the utsavs during Katha were celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm. In the morning on 07/01/2025 H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala had graced the occasion and had performed Vaghar of Shakotsav and had blessed all the ladies devotees. On this occasion Special Dhoon was organized and in the end Mahant Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdasji had arrived and had narrated talks about Bhagwan. guidance of devotee Shri Dasbhai was inspirational. (G.V. Sitapara)

8th Varshik Patotsav and Ratriya Parayan in Shree Sahajanand Gurukul Prarthna Mandir

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Swami Shastri Swami Shri Purushottamprakashdasji, 8th Varshik Patotsav of Thakorji of inner temple of Koteshwar Anadi Muktaraj Shree Zaver Bhagat Vadi was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm from Posh Vad-08, 22/01/2025 to Posh Vad-12, 26/01/2025. On this occasion Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Ramkrishnadasji (Koteshwar Gurukul) had narrated Katha of Eleven Niyam. One Haribhakta Parivar had rendered the services as the host devotee of Patotsav. Sabha was conducted beautifully by Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji (Kothari, Kalupur temple) and Parshad Mahendra Bhagat. Thousands of devotees of Koteshwar and nearby areas had availed the benefit of this divine occasion. (Kothari Shastri Swami Narayanmunidasji)

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13th Varshik Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Uvarsad

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the divine inspiration of Akshar Nivasi Sadguru Shastri Swami Harinarayandasji (Malla) and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Purushottamprakashdasji of Jetalpurdham, Shrimad Satsangijivan Panchanh Parayan was organized from 30/01/2025 till 03/02/2025 with Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Haripriyadasji Guru Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Harikeshavdasji as the spokesperson on the occasion of 13th Varshik Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Uvarsad. Akshar Nivasi devotee Kantibhai Harjivandas Parekh, Akshar Nivasi devotee Madhuben Kantibhai Parekh, devotee Narendrabhai had rendered the services as host devotee of Patotsav and Akshar Nivasi devotee Manjulaben Gordhanbhai Kachrabhai Patel family had rendered the services as the host devotee of Shakotsav. Saints from various places had arrived on this occasion. Saints had performed Abhishek and Annakut Aarti of Thakorji and divine Vaghar of Shakotsav was also performed on this pious occasion. (Kothari, Uvarsad)

Patotsav-Shakotsav Katha in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kuha

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the divine inspiration of Akshar Nivasi Shastri Swami Madhavprasaddasji and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Shastri Swami Guruprasaddasji and with the beautiful arrangement by Satsang Samaj of village Kuha Varshik Patotsav of Thakorji and Shakotsav were organized with great fervor and enthusiasm from 03/01/2025 till 05/01/2025.

On this occasion Shree Hanumanji Charitra Katha was organized with Sadguru Shastri Swami Gopalcharandasji (Jamiyapura) as the spokesperson. Akshar Nivasi devotee Ishwarbhai Chhababhai Patel, Akshar Nivasi devotee Chimanbhai Chhababhai Patel, Akshar Nivasi Kantibhai Ishwarbhai Patel etc. haribhaktas had rendered the services as the host devotees of Katha Varta-Abhishek of

Thakorji, Annakut and Shakotsav. Shastri Swami Uttamcharandasji (Kalol) had conducted the Sabha beautifully. Shastri Swami Anandprasaddasji, Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and Haribhaktas of the whole village Kuha had rendered their beautiful services on this pious occasion. (Mahant Shastri Swami Yagnaprakashdasji, Kalol-Jamiyapura)

7th Varshik Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Moyad (Tal. Prantij)

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the divine inspiration of Akshar Nivasi Sadguru Mahant Swami Pranjivandasji (Prantij) and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Mahant Swami Shri Dharmswaroopdasji (Nathdwara) and Sadguru Mahant Swami Pranjivandasji (Prantij) Shrimad Satsangijivan Tridinatmak Katha was organized with Sadguru Brahmchari Shastri Swami Sarjudasji as the spokesperson in our village Moyad from 21/01/2025 till 23/01/2025. Devotee Shir Rajubhai Madhabhai Patel, devotee Manjulaben Rajubhai Patel family had rendered the services as the host devotee of this pious occasion.

Anand Swami had conducted the Sabha beautifully and the whole arrangement was made by Dinesh Bhagat. (Kothari, Moyad)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Adishwarnagar, Naroda

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and the whole Dharmkul grand Shakotsav was celebrated in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Adishwarnagar, Naroda in the morning on 01/01/2025 in Shree Kadva Patidar Samaj Vadi (Dehgam road) with the inspiration and guidance of Swami Baldevprasaddasji and Swami Harijivandasji of Ahmedabad temple. (Kothari, Adishwarnagar)

Celebration of Shakotsav at village Kashindra

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and the whole Dharmkul grand Shakotsav was celebrated in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kashindra in the evening on 04/01/2025 with the inspiration and guidance of Mahant Sadguru Shastri

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Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji, Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Purushottamprakashdasji of Jetalpurdham. Akshar Nivasi devotee Ambalalbhai Chaturbhai Patel, devotee Sureshbhai Ambalalbhai rendered the services as the host devotee of this pious occasion. (Kothari, Kashindra)

Padyatra, 20 Hours' Dhoon in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Approach (Bapunagar)

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdasji of Bapunagar Approach temple, Padyatra from Approach temple to Kalupur temple was organized on 29/12/2024 as a part of Dwishatabdi mahotsav of inner temple. Large number of devotees had participated in this Padyatra. With the blessings of H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala 10 hour Dhoon was organized 30/1/2024 and 10 hour Dhoon was organized on 08/01/2025 wherein Sankhya Yogi ladies devotees from Kalupur temple had arrived and had narrated Katha-Varta. (Gordhanbhai Sitapara)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Jetalpurdham

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, our Future Acharya H.H. 108 Shri Vrajendraprasadji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Krishnaprakashdasji, Shrimad Bhagwat Panchanh Parayan was organized with Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Shri Bhaktinandandasji (Bavla) as the spokesperson in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Jetalpurdham. Devotee Shri Brijeshkumar Shantilal Patel family had rendered the services as the host devotee of this Parayan. Haribhaktas of each and every village of Jetalpurdham Pradesh had availed the benefit of this Parayan. (Shastri Janmangal Swami)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Balasinor

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, our Future Acharya H.H. 108 Shri Vrajendraprasadji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Krishnaprakashdasji, grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 06/01/2025 in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Balasinor. On this occasion Mahant Swami Krishnaprakashdasji (Jetalpur) and saints from Makansar, Biliya etc. places had arrived and had narrated Katha-Varta. Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal had performed Vaghar of Shakotsav and devotees had performed divine Darshan of Leela. Divine Rangoli of Shakotsav was prepared by the ladies devotees in the temple of ladies devotees. During the whole occasion Haribhaktas in large number had availed the benefit of divine Darshan and Prasad. (Shastri Swami Janmangaldas, Jetalpur)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Zulasan

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 06/01/2025 in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Zulasan.

On this occasion Shri P.P. Swami from Jetalpurdham, Brahmchari Swami Krishnapriyanandji, Shastri Swami Janmangaldasji, saint mandal of Naranpura temple, Kalol temple etc. saint mandal had arrived and had narrated Katha-Varta and had celebrated Shakotsav whose benefit was availed by all the devotees. (Shastri Swami Janmangaldasji – Jetalpurdham)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Hathpaliya

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, our Future Acharya H.H. 108 Shri Vrajendraprasadji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Krishnaprakashdasji, grand Shakotsav

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was celebrated in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Hathpaliya of Zadi Desh. On this occasion Shri P.P. Swami, Brahmchari Swami Krishnapraiyandaji from Jetalpurdham had arrived and had asked katha-varta and asked all the devotees to take various types of Niyam of Shee Hari as a part of celebration of Dwishatabdi Mahotsav of Jetalpurdham. Devotees of the village and nearby villages had availed the benefit of this Shakotsav. (Shastri Swami Janmangaldas – Jetalpur)

Murti Pratistha Mahotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bhavnagarpura – Kalol

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Guruprasaddasji, Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Anandprasaddasji and with the beautiful guidance of Mahant Shastri Swami Yagnaprakashdasji (Kalol-Jamiyatpura) Murti Pratistha Mahotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bhavnagarpura-Kalol under Shree Narnarayandev Desh was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm from 26/01/2025 till 30/01/2025.

Shrimad Bhagwat Panchanh Parayan was organized on this occasion with Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Uttamcharandasji (Kalol), Sadguru Shastri Swami Gopalcharandasji (Jamiyaputra) as the spokespersons.

Devotee Shri Kantibhai Kalidas Patel, Vijuben Kantilal Patel parivar (America Sokhda) had rendered the services as the chief host devotee of Mahotsav. Devotee Shri Patel Naranbhai Hargovandas and Kamlaben Naranbhai patel Parivar (Gokul Dairy, Kalol) had rendered the services as the chief host devotee of Kattha.

On 28/01/2025 H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj had graced the occasion and had blessed all the devotees. On 30/01/2025 H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj graced the occasion performed Pran Pratistha of Thakorji in inner temple of Nutan temple and had blessed all the devotees in the Sabha organized on the occasion. (Shastri Yagnaprakashdasji, Mahant, Kalol-Jamiyatpura)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Tankiya

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Yagnaprakashdasji (Kalol-Jamiyatpura) grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 19/12/2024 in the village Tankiya.

On this occasion Mahant Swami Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Purushottamprakashdasji from Kalupur temple, Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Uttamcharandasji (Kalol) etc. saint mandal had arrived and had narrated katha-varta and had performed Vaghar of Shakotsav. Devotee Shri Shankarsinh Bhavanji Chauhan Parivar had rendered the services as the host devotee of Shakotsav. (Mahendrasinh Chauhan – Kothari)

Celebration of Shakotsav in Bavla temple

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Shri Atmaprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji and with the beautiful guidance of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Bhaktinandandasji of Bavla temple, grand Shakotsav was celebrated in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bavla whose benefit was availed by all Haribhaktas of Bavla. (Kothari, Bavla)

Shakotsav in village Ghamij (Dehgam) temple

With the blessings of Paramkripalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, and with the divine inspiration of Akshar Nivasi Bhandari Swami Jankivallabhdasji and with the beautiful guidance of Mahant Swami Sadguru Swami Dharmswaroopdasji (Nathdwara-Porda) grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 24/01/2025 in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Ghamij in the pious presence of our Future Acharya H.H. 108 Shri Vrajendraprasadji Maharaj. On this occasion saints from various places had arrived. H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj had blessed all haribhaktas of the village on this pious occasion. (Shri Dineshbhai, Shri Hiteshbhai on behalf of the whole Satsang Samaj, Ghamij)

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List of devotees who offered services for Thaal to Thakorji and Rasoi (meals) to Saint-Varni Parshads in Ahmedabad temple

Kartak Sud – 1 Akshar Nivasi devotee Devendrabhai Arvindbhai (Kalol). **Kartak Sud – 2** Devotee Ghanshyambhai Parshottambhai Thakkar (Ahmedabad), Akshar Nivasi devotee Premjibhai Jayrambhai (Vadtal), Devotee Bipinbhai Shankarlal Patel (Rajpur), Devotee Hiraben Dashrathbhai Patel (Kalol). **Kartak Sud – 3** Devotee Laxmanbhai Premjibhai Tank (Surat), Shree Narnarayandeve YuvakMandal (Zundal), Devotee DhyeyJitenbhai Jadiya (Rajkot), Devotee PramodGandalal Choksi (Kotha), Devotee Virhdwajsinh Mahavirsinh Vaghela (Khoda), Devotee Haresh Sorathia (Ahmedabad), Devotee Jayshree Devendra Dalal (Surat). **Kartak Sud – 4** Devotee Karshanbhai Kuberdas Patel (Deusana). **Kartak Sud – 5** Devotee Baldevbhai Kuberbhai (Anandpura), Devotee Savitaben Jayantilal Patel (Nardipur), Devotee Hiteshbhai Ratilal Patel (Por-Gandhinagar), Devotee Pratik H. Patel (Ahmedabad), Devotee Sanjaybhai Chhaganbhai Dudhat (Ahmedabad), Devotee Nil, Hari, Sahaj (Ahmedabad), Akshar Nivasi devotee Premji Ramji Khetani (Kutch). **Kartak Sud – 6** Akshar Nivasi devotee Devkiben Keshrabhai Patel (Valsad), Devotee Nileshbhai Natvarbhai Prajapati (Ahmedabad), Devotee Chirayu Pravinbhai Devani (Nikol). **Kartak Sud – 7** Devotee Binalben Ashishbhai Chaudhary (Manekpur), Devotee Pravinbhai Haribhai Mistry (Botad), Devotee Mahednrbhai Patel (Deusanawala). **Kartak Sud – 8** Akshar Nivasi devotee Thakarsibhai Muljibhai Patel (Ahmedabad). **Kartak Sud – 9** Devotee Vinuprasad Mohanlal Patel (Dehgam), Devotee Bhavinbhai Patel (Nikol), Devotee Somabhai Bhurabhai Patel (Rayania), Devotee Kishorbhai Ujamshibhai Thakkar (Ahmedabad), Devotee Amrutaben Visanji Mehta (Mumbai). **Kartak Sud – 10** Devotee Vani Nlravkumar Chaudhary (Manekpur). **Kartak Sud – 11** Akshar Nivasi devotee Naran Kalyan Hirani (Sukhpar – Kutch). **Kartak Sud – 12** On the occasion of Dwishatabdi Mahotsav of Shree Laxminarayandeve (Vadtal temple), Devotee Bhartiben Lalbhai Soni (Ahmedabad), Devotee Jayantibhai Palabhai Patel (Naroda), Devotee Rukhiben Ambalal Patel (Gavada), Devotee Amitaben Kantibhai Patel (Ahmedabad), Devotee Manji Shivji Hirani (Narayanpar – Kutch), Devotee Ivan Dhuv Patel (Ahmedabad), Tej Studio – Devotee Tarpit (Ahmedabad), Devotee Trikarmram Kharva (Rajasthan), Sankhya Yogi Gitaba, Minaba, Madhuba (Haveli-Ahmedabad), Devotee Arjun Dipakkumar Savalia (Ahmedabad). **Kartak Sud – 13/14** Akshar Nivasi devotee Mulji Hirji Vekaria (Sukhpar – Kutch), Devotee Lalbhai Kunvarji Halai (Meghpar – Kutch), Akshar Nivasi devotee Mohanbhai Kalyanbhai Dhamelia (Surat), Akshar Nivasi devotee Prembai KeshraHalai (Baladiya – Kutch), Devotee Dilipbhai Thakkar (Diyodar), Devotee Dr. AmarshibhaiGohel (Rajkot). **Kartak Sud – 15** Akshar Nivasi devotee Maganbhai Dunganbhai Bhorania (Juna Devalia), Devotee Vedika Nayan Kanani (Ahmedabad), Devotee Saurav Bhupendrabhai Patel (Ahmedabad), Devotee Akash Vadodaria (Ahmedabad), Devotee Chaudhary ManilalRamjibhai (Samau), Devotee Ankit Alkeshbhai Bhavsar (Ahmedabad), Devotee Hardikbhai Patel (Gandhinagar).

Kartak Vad – 1 Akshar Nivasi devotee Virbai Ramji Hirani (Sukhpar – Kutch), Devotee Jayeshbhai Prabhudasbhai Patel (Goraj), Akshar Nivasi devotee Chimanbai Odhavjibhai Thakkar (Bopal). **Kartak Vad – 2** Devotee Mukeshbhai Vinubhai Patel (Ambapur). **Kartak Vad – 3** Devotee Lalitaben Lalbhai Patel (Ahmedabad), Akshar Nivasi devotee Arvindbhai K. Mehta (Ahmedabad), Devotee Ramilaben Amitbhai Desai (Nikol). **Kartak Vad – 4** Devotee Valji Karshan Hirani (Baladiya – Kutch), Devotee Siddhiben Darshitbhai, Devotee Indravadan and Leelaben (Nadiad), H.K. Travels (Ahmedabad). **Kartak Vad – 5** Devotee Krishnakant Kantilal Patel (Ranip), Devotee Kanubhai K. Vekaria (Ahmedabad). **Kartak Vad – 6** Akshar Nivasi devotee Ashokbhai Valjibhai Chotaliya (Haveli), Devotee Sudhaben Manubhai Patel (Bayad), Devotee Lalji Kanji Vekaria (Baladiya – Kutch), Swami Ghanshyamswaroopdasji Guru Anand Swami (Kalupur temple), Devotee Leelaben Motibhai Jadav (Malanpur). **Kartak Vad – 7** Devotee Chetanbhai Bhagabhai (Anandpura), Devotee Dhagaskumar Hasmukhbhai Patel (Lavarpur), Akshar Nivasi devotee Maheshbhai Rambhai Patel (Ahmedabad), Devotee Dhruvik Mukeshbhai Patel (Vadu). **Kartak Vad – 8** Devotee KetanDevraj Bhojani (Baladiya – Kutch), Devotee Umang Shaileshbhai Patel (Mumbai), Devotee Laxmanbhai Vitthalbhai Patel (Khanderapurawala), Akshar Nivasi devotee Ravjibhai Ambalal Patel (Zundal). **Kartak Vad – 9** Akshar Nivasi devotee Govindbhai Chimanbhai Swaminarayan (Ahmedabad), Akshar Nivasi Sadguru Swami Haripriyadasji (Salkiwala), Akshar Nivasi devotee Jayaben Ramniklal (Bhuji – Kutch). **Kartak Vad – 10** Devotee Shrinath Rajeshbhai Amin (Ahmedabad), Devotee Rambhai Joitandas Patel (Veda – Kalol), Devotee Jadavji Shivji Manbai, Jadavji Vekaria (Mirjapur – Kutch). **Kartak Vad – 11** Devotee Dhanji Ramji Vekaria (Baladiya – Kutch). **Kartak Vad – 12** Devotee Manji Shivji Hirani (Narayanpar – Kutch), HariomParivar Devotee Shaileshbhai (Saraspur). **Kartak Vad – 13** Akshar Nivasi devotee Prembai Ratna Dhanani (Sukhpar – Kutch), Devotee Krishna Arvindbhai Patel (Vadu), Devotee Rikinbhai Nareshkumar Thakkar (Ahmedabad). **Kartak Vad – 14** Akshar Nivasi devotee Natubhai Motibhai Patel (Ghamij), Devotee NavinchandraGovindlal Patel (Mokhasan), Devotee SmitalChaudhary (Hyustan). **Kartak Vad – 30** Devotee Nirvisha Arvindbhai Vekaria (Mirajpur – Kutch), Devotee Samirbhai Nareshbhai Mehta (Songadh), Devotee Govabhai Somabhai Chaudhary (Ishwarapura), Devotee Manishbhai Jitendrabhai Choksi (Ahmedabad), Devotee Lokeshbhai Sutaria (Ahmedabad), Devotee Jalaben Punjabhai Vansa (Ahmedabad), Devotee Dev Rupeshbhai Patel (Ahmedabad), Devotee Anandiben Vishnubhai Patel (Gulabpura), Devotee Rajendrabhai Kanjibhai Patel (Gavada), Akshar Nivasi devotee Meghbhai Shamji Hirani (Godhra – Kutch).

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H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performing Vagha of Shakotsav on the occasion of Khat Muhurt of Ahmedabad Shilaj temple.



H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj granting blessings in the Sabha at Mahij village.



H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performing Shakotsav at village Ghamij.



H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj granting blessings in Sneh Milan of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal, Torda.



H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performing Shakotsav in Naranpura temple.



Glimpse of our Kalupur temple at Hindu Spiritual and Service Fair at G.M.D.C. ground, Ahmedabad.



The host devotee family performing poojan of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj on the occasion of Parayan at Chandkheda (Ahmedabad).

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H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing Shakotsav during Dhanur Maas in Ahmedabad temple and devotees taking Prasad with great discipline in the Chawk of the temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing Saint-Maha Diksha in Ahmedabad temple.



H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performing concluding ritual of Dhanur Maas in Ahmedabad temple.

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