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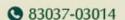


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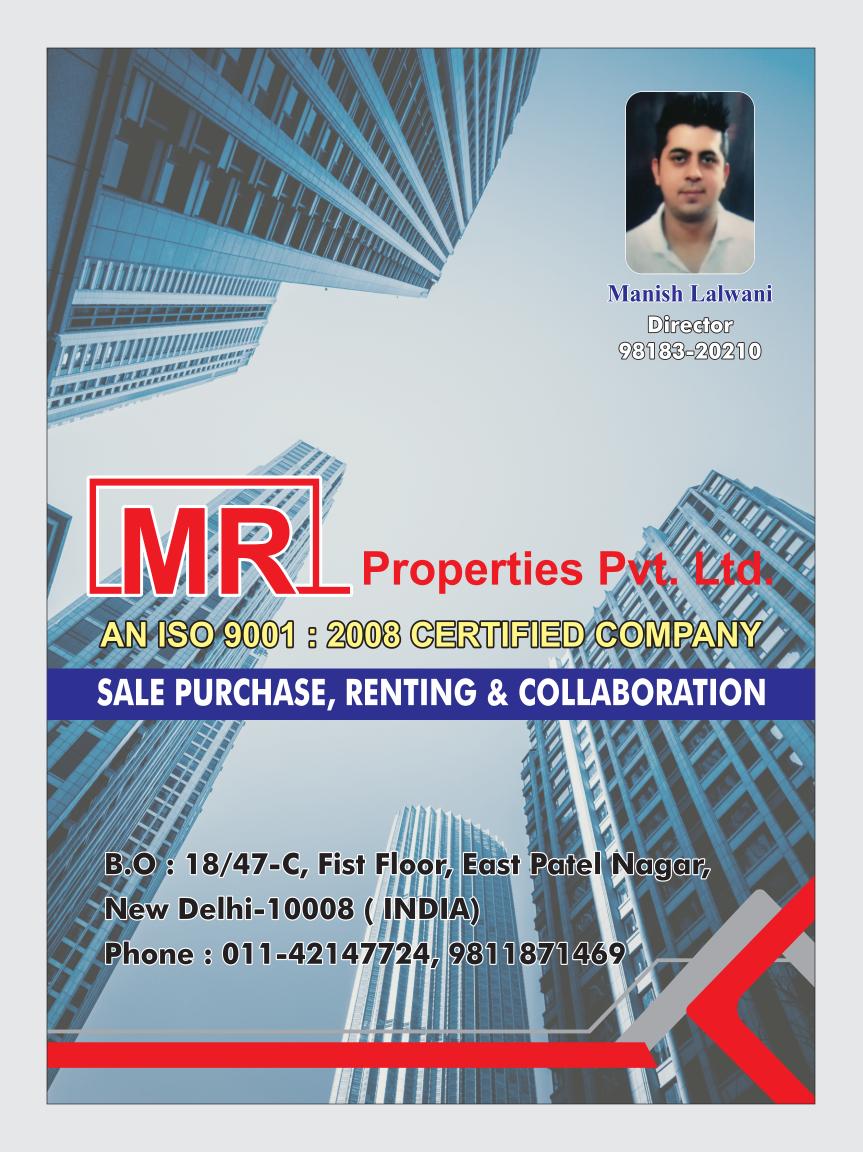
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Message

Hon. Suresh Keswani Founder President, SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA, Ex M.P. (Rajya Sabha)

Sacho Satram. My Charan-Vandana to Sain Sadhram Sahib ji.

There are many lists of Richest, Greatest & Famous Sindhis, who are all with us during our 26th Sammelan. May I now request that we prepare a list of Sindhis who are poor, sick, physically handicapped, old or destitute? Perhaps this list does not attract us. Can we at least, list the areas in each state where the number of Sindhis in these categories are in large numbers? Can we spare a moment for their children who may be deprived of basic education, primary health & minimum financial support? They ought to be our main objective for our long term unity. SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA came into being in 1998 and the 1st Sammelan was hosted by Sindhis of South India at Hyderabad on 2nd Oct. 1998. All of you chose me to be the Founder President of this all-India body of Sindhis which speaks on behalf of Sindhis across the world.

Thanks to God Almighty and all of your blessings I have lived a good life so far & would like to continue working for my Sindhi fraternity till the last day of my life. For that I need your help & support, which all of you have given me abundantly so far. I want to focus my energy on helping those Sindhis who need help and support financially, or for employment and placements for deserving youth and dignified support for the sick, old and abandoned. Please give a thought to what more you can do on an individual level. We also have to think of marriages & match-making to preserve the quality of our Indus Valley culture, our language & our rich heritage.

Thoughts of Sindh bring pride to every Sindhi. I don't know how many Sindhi members, their friends and family members have read or heard about Bhagwan Gidwani's book on "Return of the Aryans," a complete story of Sindhis spanning the last ten thousand years or thereabouts. Bhagwan Gidwani is also famous for his book "Sword of Tipu Sultan". I think every Sindhi should own a copy of these books that inspire us to look within and search for our hidden talents.

DARO" near Larkhana Sindh, which gives us the story of rich cultural heritage of Sindhis – their art, craft, science, mathematics, astronomy, chemistry, physics and also town planning, architecture and administration. Our success must not boost our ego take us to wrong deeds. I am also sure many of you know about Jayadrath, king of Sindh and how he was killed in the Mahabharat war by Arjuna's arrow, and how his slain head flew and fell into the lap of his father who was a powerful Rishi (With several "BOONS" that he had earned after years of penances), and how the fall of the skull in his lap killed his father as well. This gives you the idea of the might of Sindh and also the spiritual attainments of our Rishis.

How many are aware that many Sindhis belong to Kashyap Gotra? Kashyap Muni had his Ashram on the banks of Kashyap Sagar (known today as Caspean Sea, which in enclosed by Iran and Russia) also known as Kaikeya Pradesh (people from there are today known as Caucasians) where Maharaja



Dasharath married Kaikeyi, mother of Bharat, the third brother of Ram. Did we come to the River Sindhu along with Maharani Kaikeyi, a warrior queen who had earned three boons from Dasharath Maharaj while fighting a war along with him? Kashyap Muni is regarded as the grand patriarch of the Sindhi-Punjabi race of India. One can hear "HO - JAMALO" even today in the Lok geets of Azerbaijan, though HO-JAMALO refers only to the Sakhar Barrage. The Caucasian people are said to be anscestors of Sindhis and our language has many words from Persian language, though our Vyakaran is Vedic and Sanskrit. The Vedas were written on the banks of Sindhu River, as is well known to all. That is how Indus Valley Civilization which is our heritage, is the mainstream of "HINDU RASHTRA". Sindhis have an illustrious past; one that fills us with pride and nostalgia about our greatness. It is for this reason that we decided to get closer to each other, to harness our strengths and re-invent ourselves, to usher in a promise of great joy and achievement and greater happiness in the shared values and future that all of us can plan and work towards.

Allow me to wish this voyage to New-Zealand & Australia a great success and hope that it will inculcate in all of us the eternal message of spirituality, brotherhood and our dharma (vivek-purvaka). Sindhis always want their children to pursue excellence, truthfulness, love, compassion, courage, energy, joy and fearlessness. I wish them the success and joy of fulfillment of all their prayers and request everyone to rededicate themselves to Sain Jhulelal, who gave us Sanyam, Ahinsa and Imandari. We recite Ek Omkar, Sadguru Prasad because we all believe in one creator and Guru Nanak's advice which resonates in PAVAN as Guru (VARUN-AVATAR JHOOLELAL) PANI as Pita & Dharti being our Mata. We worship Adi Sankara and our beloved Sain Sacho Satram gave us a boon in the form of Bhagat Sain Kanwar Ram. These sages and saints have preserved the unity of Sindhis, who today live in 157 countries of the world and therefore remembering the services of all noble souls and the spiritual Darbars' of Sindh, we pray for solidarity, success and fulfillment of Sindhyat and Sindhis all over the world.

With best regards and affection for all 160 participants of 26th Sammelan on Cruise Ship Royal-Princess sailing from Auckland, New-Zealand to Sydney, Australia, where we will celebrate our Holi of the year 2025.

Jai Julelal



From the Desk of the Managing Editor

From the Desk of the Chief Editor



A warm welcome aboard!

We extend to you a warm welcome to the journey of New Zealand and Australia by Royal Princess Cruise. This cruising marks a new chapter in our ongoing journey of Sindhi

Council of India to unite our community globally. Commencing on 24th February, this three-week odyssey is more than just a vacation – it's an opportunity to connect and unite with over 150 key leaders and members who are participating all over the globe. This event will mark further step in our ongoing journey of Sindhi Council of India to unite our community globally. In past the Council has organised numerous national meets and cruise trips, bringing together leaders and influencers of our community from around the world. In this trip, while on board, we will hold our 26th Annual Convention in several parts from 24th February 2025 to 15th March, 2025. We sail through the stunning landscapes of New Zealand and Australia and will enjoy the scenic cruising from Aucland, Tauranga, Bay of Island, Christchurch, Melbourne, Sydney, Dunedum, Florland National Park and Hobart. Our Cruise will consist of activities, including Sindhi music and dance sessions and entertainment and cultural events. Additionally, we will experience glass floored sea walk and Princess water color fantasy light and water show. Needless to mention that the cruise has facility of mouth watering and yummy cuisine. This cruise trip, has the blessing of Hazir Swaroop Sant Sadh Ram Sahib, a revered saint of our community. We take this opportunity to offer our deep respects and gratitude to Sai ji. So dear fellow travellers, welcome aboard and have a nice time!

Jai Julelal

Ashok Lalwani



The Sindhi Council of India is set to organize a landmark 26th Annual Convention on Sindhi Culture during its New-Zealand-Australia trip by Royal Princess Cruise from February 24th to 15th March, 2025. This unprecedented event presents a unique opportunity and the participants

include Who's Who of Sindhi community all over the globe, its leaders, social influencers, teachers etc. In the Convention they will brainstorm, converge and devise strategies to deal with the pressing issues pertaining to Sindhiyat and its culture. Sindhis have a legacy of rich culture spanning over 5,000 years, with a history that predates the Indus Valley Civilization. However, the partition of India dealt a significant blow to our culture, and despite consolidating our economic position, our language and culture are facing erosion due to the increasing influence of other languages specially English, Hindi and local language of the states where they have settled. The Convention should focus on the key issues which are important for the Sindhyat. For example, we believe that Sindhiyat will prosper if Sindhis have their own state in India. The Government should be urged to allot land in some state in North or West India for the creation of a Sindh state where there are large number of Sindhis. Friendly attitude of the present Government towards the Sindhi community is an opportunity to get this demand fulfilled. If this is not possible due to political reasons, the government should allocate a less inhabited island of India for Sindhis. We will transform it into a thriving state. How to preserve Sindhi language and culture by creating a sense of pride about Sindhiyat in the younger generation is another issue which needs to be discussed. Similarly, encouraging new Sindhi generation to take up careers in Civil services, and uplifting downtrodden members of the community are critical areas that require attention. The Convention should also focus on promoting Sindhi identity, including the creation of a Sindh house in Delhi like other states where we can proudly showcase our traditions, culture and artifacts. It should also have a Sai Jhulelal Mandir which should serve as a pilgrimage for all the Sindhis. We wish the participants all the best in making the Convention a success. By working together, we can preserve our cultural heritage, promote our unique identity, and build a brighter future for ourselves and future generations.

Jai Julelal

Dr J.C Jhuraney

MESSAGE

From the National President, Sindhi Council of India.



It's extremely delightful to hear that our Sindhi Council family is proceeding on a cruise trip Sammelan from New Zealand to Australia. I hope this will be a splendid experience for all the members to join this trip and will further add to unity &

harmony among our community. However, at the same time I also apologize that I will not be able to join the trip this time due to some medical emergency with my wife as she is bedridden and I need to be with her to support her.

Although I have attended all the previous cruise trip Sammelans arranged by the council along with our honorable Founder President Shri Suresh Keswani like cruise trip of USA-Alaska, Hong-Kong-Macao, Dubai and many more and it has always been a great experience to attend these cruise trips but this time I will not be able to join due to personal reasons as mentioned.

I as National President of Sindhi Council of India convey best wishes from my side for the upcoming cruise trip and pray for this trip to be successful and joyous for all the members of the Council. I hope our Sindhi Council family have a great trip and further nurture the bond among our Sindhi Community, with the blessing of Sain Sadhram Sahib ji to whom I offer my Charan Vandana.

Mohan Das Ladhani National President Sindhi Council of India. From the National Vice President, Sindhi Council of India.



We must all, members of Sindhi Council of India, participating in the 26th Global Convention of Sindhi Council of India on New-Zealand and Australia Cruise tour pay our highest respect and Charan - Vandana to Hazir Swaroop

Sain Sadhram Sahib ji, who had blessed us all during our 25th Annual Sammelan on Princess Cruise Ship which had sailed last year from Singapore to Thailand-Vietnam & back

With the grace of Sacho - Satram Sain we will once again hopefully have his divine blessings to us all, during this Auckland to Sydney tour as well. We are truly grateful to our President Sh. Mohan Das Ladhani ji for his leadership in planning this tour for all of us. Much as I had desired to be on this Cruise, some last-minute unavoidable circum stances have prevented me from being with you all. I know you would consider this as my personal presence and bear with it this time.

I wish our 26th Annual Sammelan a great success and I know all of you will enjoy the great arrangements for your entertainment along with unity, harmony and camaraderie that all Sindhis will enjoy being together for over 3 weeks on this luxury voyage.

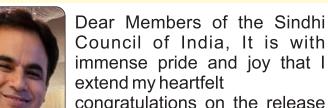
My heartfelt gratitude to Sh. Chanderbhan Lalchandani ji and Sh. Ashok Lalwani ji for their management & making this 26th Sammelan a great success, through their proven skills & affection for us Sindhis drawn from different professions, businesses & callings.

JAIJHULELAL.

Ashok Bherwani National Vice President Sindhi Council of India.

MESSAGE

From the National President (Youth Wingh), Sindhi Council of India.



congratulations on the release of the Sindhi Council of India's magazine. This publication is a testament to the dedication and

unity of our community as we strive to preserve and celebrate our rich cultural heritage.

The release of this magazine during the prestigious New Zealand-Australia cruise trip in February and March adds a unique significance to this occasion. I wish all participants a memorable and successful journey as you showcase the vibrancy and unity of our Sindhi community on this international platform.

I urge the youth of our Sindhi community to take inspiration from such initiatives and actively come together to preserve our treasured rituals, traditions, and most importantly, our beautiful mother tongue, Sindhi. It is our responsibility to ensure that the values and legacy of our ancestors are carried forward with pride and enthusiasm.

This is a time to strengthen our bonds, support one another, and contribute to the growth and progress of the Sindhi Council of India. Together, we can create a future that honors our past while embracing the opportunities of tomorrow.

Wishing everyone success, happiness, and prosperity in all your endeavors. Let us work hand in hand to build a stronger and united Sindhi community.

Warm regards,

Rajendra Manwani President, Sindhi Council of India (Youth Wing) From the National Vice President, Sindhi Council of India.



Much as I desired, I am unable to join the Cruise trip of Sindhi Council of India. Professional compulsions have denied me the pleasure of your company and the enjoyment of the trip.

I am glad to know that Sant Sai Sadhram Sahib are accompanying the members. It is a matter of regret that I have to miss being in close proximity with this Enlightened personality. In thought and spirit, I shall be there and seek the blessings of the noble soul.

We ought to be grateful to our National President Sh. Mohan Das Ladhani ji & the organizer Sh. Ashok Lalwani ji President S.C.I. Delhi-Region, for this 26th S.C.I. Sammelan on New-Zealand - Australia Cruise tour.

In thought I shall be part of this trip and shall enjoy the fellowship and companionship of all brothers and sisters of Sindhi Council of India.

My Best Wishes for a memorable experience to each one of you.

Hari Om

J C PRAKASH National Vice President Sindhi Council of India.

MESSAGE

<u>From the National President</u> (Ladies-Wing), Sindhi Council of India.



Wishing a Memorable Cruise Journey to the Sindhi Council of India

As the Sindhi Council of India embarks on this extraordinary cruise adventure, I extend my heartfelt best wishes to all

participants for a journey brimming with joy, camaraderie, and cherished memories to make this Cruise Sammelan a great success.

A cruise is not merely a voyage across water—it is a celebration of life, an opportunity to marvel at nature's beauty, and a chance to strengthen the bonds of friendship and community. This trip exemplifies the vibrant spirit and unity of the Sindhi community, proudly showcasing our rich culture and heritage as we sail together toward new horizons.

This cruise promises not only breathtaking views and luxurious experiences but also a profound sense of togetherness that lies at the heart of the Sindhi Council of India. From cultural activities to meaningful conversations, every moment will create treasured memories to carry forward. The participants will have the blessings of Sain Sadhram Sahib ji to whom I offer my Charan Vandana.

May this cruise be a milestone of happiness, unity, and celebration for everyone on board. We must thank our National President Hon'ble Sh. Mohan Das Ladhani ji for this Cruise tour.

Wishing you smooth sailing and unforgettable experiences!

Dr. Roshni Tolani National President (Ladies-Wing), Sindhi Council of India From the National Vice President,

& President (NRI-Wing: India)

Sindhi Council of India.



I am delighted to learn that SCI is coming up with a Bulletin on the occasion of cruise tour to Newzealand & Australia, a Global conclave from 25th Feb to 15th March 2025. It is remarkable that SCI has organised fellowship oriented tour. It will be a boon to be very

close to all Sindhi brotheren. SCI is committed to fight for the legitimate rights of Sindhi community.we are proud of founder President sh Suresh Keswaniji to leave no stone unturned to bring all sindhies from India & abroad on one plate form. I personally congratulate all who have taken part in the Cruise tour, this will keep our language, culture & tradition alive & put our entire efforts to ignite the fire of Sindhyat in our children. I wish all the best & roaring success to the organisers.

JAIJHULELAL.

Nandlal Rajpal
National Vice President
Sindhi Council of India.



With the blessings of our spiritual masters, it gives me great joy that the Sindhi Council of India is hosting the 26th Sammelan from 24th February 2025 onwards on board the cruise in Australia & New Zealand.

As the President of the NRI Wing, I convey my best wishes to all

delegates attending the sammelan. This is a good opportunity for the global Sindhis to exchange progressive ideas, promoting Sindhiyat and finding solutions to various issues and bring awareness among younger generations. We must encourage youngsters and our ladies to attend our gatherings. We must support our less fortunate community members to uplift their conditions. I hereby Congratulate President Shri Mohandas Ladhani, founder President Shri Suresh Keswani and other team members who have made this Sammelan successful. Let us ensure that we speak Sindhi in our homes.

Murli Adnani President (NRI-Wing: India) Sindhi Council Of India



About Sindhi Council of India



Dear Sindhi Council of india Members,

On the eve of our 26th Annual Convention on board the NewZealand –Australia Cruise Tour from February 24th, 2025 to March 15th, 2025. I wish to Welcome you all to our next Era of twenty five years which begins with our this convention – SACHO SATRAM to you all.

I will not be doing justice to the enormous efforts of Sindhis to have converted themselves from Sharnarthis to Purusharthis to Parmarthis with the blessings of JHULELAL SAIN and their dedication & hard work to become the productive Assets of our beloved nation Bharat i.e. India. We are also grateful to large number of cities & countries round the world, where so many of us have set up our productive enterprises, avocations, professions and trades. Our heart & our identity are however fastened to Indus Valley Civilization, which is the Mukhya Dhara of Bharat that is India.

Let me at the same time refer to our basic discontent which arises out of a void created in our hearts by denial of our human rights & politico cultural existence & identity. May I elaborate on the issues of our discontent in following paragraphs on this occasion:

(A) The Freedom Struggle and the resultant partition of the country on religious grounds in 1947 led to the acceptance of the exchange of populations between Pakistan & India. Under the scheme the immigrating Punjabi and Bengali Hindus could be re-settled in half portions of States of Punjab and Bengal that became part of India. There was no similar facility of homeland provided in India for Sindhi Hindus, who lost their total state to Pakistan. Even the district of Tharparkar which was originally leased to the British by Maharaja of Jodhpur and where Sindhi Hindus were in majority was not demanded by Govt. of India due to lack of vision in our leaders.

(B) Sindhis as a consequence were settled in 96 Refugee colonies set up all over India, the living conditions of which to say the least were pathetic. In a number of refugee camps the living conditions were unhygienic and even to this date they continue to be poor. Sindhis in the process lost all land related vocations like Agriculture etc. and had to seek jobs or pursue trades, profession and callings in the urban areas of the six states i.e. Maharasthra, Gujarat, M.P., Rajasthan, U.P., Bihar, Bengal, Delhi and Southern provinces where they came and occupied the refugee camps.

© In 1957 linguistic reorganisation of the States of India did provide a chance to the Govt. of India to declare Adipur, Gandhidham Kandla area as Union Territory and provide homeland to Sindhis who had set up a city in this location by their own efforts under the inspiring leadership of the great Sindhi leader BHAI PARTAP who had received 16000 acres of the land from Maharaj of Kutch for rehabilitation of Sindhis. The Govt. of India however did not see the need to provide a homeland to the Sindhi speaking people though the Sindhi language was accepted in the eighth Schedule as an official language.

(i) Thus the main demand of the Sindhi hindus for a homeland is pending consideration of this demand by the nation. Sindhis were also prepared if a Development Corporation with adequate budget was to be announced by the Govt. of India which could answer the critical immediate problem of providing long denied basic civic amenities in the 96 refugee camps spread all over India. The responsibility for maintenance and upkeep of these was transferred from the Union Govt. to the State Governments since 1957 and which was being neglected by the states, because Sindhis were not a vote bank.

(ii) The unrest of the Sindhis was also triggered by growing regionalism and castist tendencies lately being promoted by number of political parties in India. Sindhis were denied representation in state legislatures and Parliaments because they were thinly spread all over the country. They had discovered that Elective Merit was only a euphemism used by political parties for giving party tickets to the candidates drawn from the dominant caste combinations. It was also realised that deteriorating economic management of number of States of various party Government had led to serious law and order problems and the nexus between the crime and politics had endangered not only the viability of Sindhis businesses is but had become a threat to the life and limb of Sindhis engaged in small and big businesses or professions and services all over the country.

(iii) Sindhis were feeling politically neglected, in spite of they having achieved an economic miracle through dint of hard work, adventurous sprit and total dedication to their avocations. They had no political weight. Sindhis had begun to realise that they had greatly contributed to the National Capital Formation process and building of the Nation, through their incoming foreign exchange remittances yet, they had been denied even their elementary demands of a Holiday of the Deity JHULELAL'S - Cheti Chand day/ Similarly the commitment for the development of their Sindhi language and literature was put on a political back-burner. In the process Sindhis were witnessing the slow demise of their 5000 years Old Indus Valley Culture, Art and craft, music and folk dances and their rich heritage.

(iv) The language and literature, culture and heritage, ethnicity and the ethos are all connected with the soil, the shores, the mountains, the rivers and the valleys.

The human need for belonging is indescribable. It can only be experienced. The Sindhis of India having overcome the Economic disaster which the freedom struggle and the resultant partition of the country in 1947, brought upon them have now a dream to rebuild the edifice of their Culture with its more than 5000 years history. During next 50 years the Indus Valley Hindus will add their mystical colour to the multifaceted and multi-dimensional Indian fraternity, by becoming a major productive Asset of the Country through pursuit of Excellence.

(v) Sindhis have therefore realised that the first step to safeguard their ethnic identity and to ensure their own safety and security is to constitute their own Governance machinery, something like a Government without the land, a replica of Vatican which rules over the hearts of Christianity the world over. To achieve this objectives SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA was formed and registered under the Societies Act - 1860 with Head Quarters at Delhi. This was a unified efforts of all Sindhi individuals, associations & Panchayats.

(D) THE GOVERNING BODY OF Sindhi Council of India: The National level Governing Body of Sindhi Council of India had Hon'ble Sh. Suresh Keswani ji, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) as its Founder President. We have a President & there are Five Vice Presidents looking after various divisions including Finance, Operations and Development etc. There are Five General Secretaries & Five Joint Secretaries to take care of day to day management and administration who are assisted by Full time salaried Assistant at the National level office i.e. Delhi. The National office in Delhi, in addition have a Regional Head Quarter with a President & his team. Finally there is also a Treasurer and a Public Relations Officer. All these elected office bearers plus National Office Assistant who is a full time paid employee run the day to day affairs of Sindhi Council of India at the National level.

(E) REGIONAL LEVEL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES AND OFFICE BEARERS:

Under the National level organisation there are Ten REGIONAL LEVEL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES one each for the below mentioned Regional level Sindhi Councils:-

- 1. SINDHI COUNCIL OF NORTH INDIA: Delhi, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, J&K and Union Territory of Chandigarh- President Sh. Ashok Lalwani.
- 2. SINDHI COUNCIL OF UTTAR PRADESH: Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand plus Nepal
- 3. SINDHI COUNCIL OF EAST INDIA: Bihar, Jharkhand, Assam, Bengal etc.
- 4. SINDHI COUNCIL OF MADHYA PRADESH: M.P., Chhattisgarh.
- 5. SINDHI COUNCIL OF RAJASTHAN:
- 6. SINDHI COUNCIL OF GUJARAT:
- 7. SINDHI COUNCIL OF MAHARASTHRA: Maharasthra excluding Mumbai and areas covered under Sindhi Council of Mumbai.
- 8. SINDHI COUNCIL OF MUMBAI: Mumbai, Thane, Ulhasnagar U.T. of Daman, Diu Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Goa
- 9. SINDHI COUNCIL OF SOUTH INDIA: Tamil Naidu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Pondichery and Kerala.
- 10. SINDHI COUNCIL OF N.R.I'S: All NRI's Sindhis- President is Sh. Murli Adnani ji Mumbai.

Each Regional Council consists of various groups of members plus the Ladies-Wing and Youth-Wing etc. Regional Presidents are assisted by two Regional Vice Presidents plus one Regional Treasurer Regional General Secretaries etc.

(F) CITY LEVEL CHAPTERS: In the cities falling in the geographic boundaries of above regions there—are one or

more chapter committees in each city where Sindhi people are residing. The City level Chapter Committees or City Branches have membership of 50 or more members. The management of city branches of Sindhi Council of India by the elected office bearers namely Chapter President, Two Chapter Vice President, A Chapter Treasurer, A Chapter Secretary and Chapter Joint Secretary plus Eight Chapter Councillors. We expect SINDHI COUNCIL to be set up in every city of the World where 50 or more SINDHI FAMILIES INDIVIDUALS are residing.

AIMS AND OBJECTS: Loss of SINDHI HOMELAND AND SINDHI POLITICAL RIGHTS have been the root cause to give birth to the basic urge for Global Sindhi Unity. This has led to the formation of SINDHI COUNCIL. The real yearning has however been for the need to rediscover what we fondly call "SINDHYAT". This has been described as that thirst for adventure and enterprise which is mellowed by Soofi sublimity and sprit of Surrender to the diktats of Destiny under the Blessings of JHULELAL SAINT.

(G) The Emerging information age during the twenty first century is going to throw up new challenges for all those races who have to operate under multi product, multi locational and multi-cultural environment. The instruments of creation of wealth, all over the world are undergoing significant changes. The Geographical boundaries dividing nations may recede into relatively reduced relevance. The basic factors determining the relationship between the nations may not remain constant. All past assumptions in these respects may need to be scrutinized. The factors of production namely the Capital, the labour and the entrepreneurship etc. may relocate geographically to the locations which ensure their highest productivity. The Sindhi Council of India therefore aims to rekindle the sprits of Enterprise among Sindhi brother and sisters and provide every opportunity encouragement and assistance to Sindhis to achieve the coveted objective of Pursuit of Excellence not only in the areas of commerce, trade, professions, enterprises, science and technology but also in all our endeavours including in the fields of Education, MEDICARE, SOCIAL CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS matters.

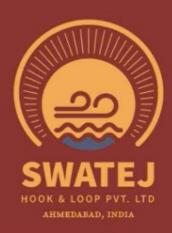
In conclusion you may want to set up a Sindhi Council Chapter in your city. You may be individuals or group or panchayat. You are all welcome. What you need to do is to write to SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA (H.Q), 14-Golf Apartments, Golf Links, Maharishi Raman Marg, New Delhi-110003 (India) & express your identity, interest & intent. Also Sindhi Council of India has its own mouthpiece weekly Newspaper Sindhi Sansar for Sindhi community whose Managing Editor is Mr. Ashok Lalwani, Advisory Editor is Dr. Jagdish Jhuraney. Anyone can take annual membership to Sindhi community and give their views or news through articles free of cost.

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Yours in brotherhood,
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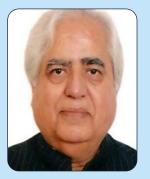
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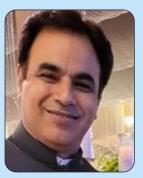
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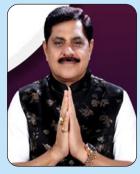
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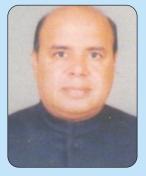
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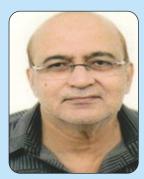
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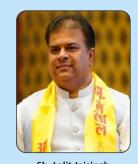
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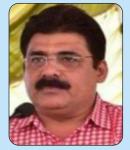
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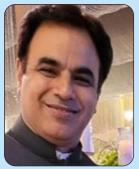


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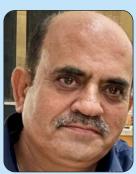
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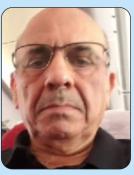
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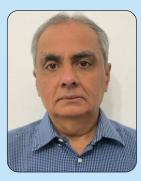
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Harmony's Sindhi event 'suhan' with collaboration with SCI Youth Wing. Which was aimed for promotion of Sindhi culture & women upliftment







VISIT TO GAU-SHALA: Our First Idea was to unite the SINDHI YOUTH along with their family & Children to understand the INDIAN



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LAUNCH OF SINDHI BNI GROUP to foster growth among SINDHI YOUTH



Brief Video of our journey : SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA (youth wing)-CHAPTER JABALPUR



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SPL tournament by U P & Lucknow team

About Princess Cruises

One of the best-known names in cruising, Princess Cruises first set sail in 1965 with a single ship cruising to Mexico. More than 50 years later, the line is renowned for innovative ships, an array of onboard options, and an environment of exceptional customer service. A recognized leader in worldwide cruising, Princess offers millions of guests each year the opportunity to immerse themselves in top destinations around the globe, aboard a fleet of 15 modern vessels.

Princess Cruises was catapulted to stardom in 1977 when one of its ships, Pacific Princess, was cast in a starring role on a new television show called "The Love Boat." The weekly series, which introduced millions of viewers to the concept of a sea-going vacation, was an instant hit and both the company name and its "Sea Princess logo have remained synonymous with cruising ever since. The show,

which can still be seen around the world, has been widely credited with fueling the dramatic expansion of the industry.

A History of Innovation

Since the line's beginnings, Princess has frequently paved the way in the cruise industry, evolving to meet the needs of today's vacationer. In fact, a number of Princess concepts have since been adopted by the entire cruise industry.

The company has long been the leader in building ships specifically designed to accommodate an extensive

number of the most sought-after shipboard luxury -- the private balcony. In the 1980s Princess pioneered the concept of the affordable veranda, once an exclusive feature incorporated in only the most expensive suites. Today, Princess' fleet offers one of the highest percentages of balcony cabins in the industry, across all cabin categories.

In the mid-1990s the company pioneered the concept of putting passengers in control of their own cruise experience with the introduction of a wide range of flexible onboard facilities, amenities and services in order to create a personal vacation experience. The company also pioneered 24-hour dining with the first 'round-the-clock restaurant. Dining options were further revolutionized in 2001 as Princess became the first cruise line to offer passengers a choice in their main dining room experience – either the traditional seating or a restaurant-style Anytime Dining, in which diners could eat when and with whom they chose.

Some other Princess innovations over the years include the first wedding chapel hosting modern-day weddings at sea by the ships' captains (1998); the unique Times Square-style Movies Under the Stars poolside movie screen (2004); and The Sanctuary, an adults-only oasis that has become exceedingly popular with guests looking to relax (2006). In 2015, Princess Cruises implemented a \$450 million-dollar product innovation and cruise ship renovation campaign that continues to enhance the line's onboard guest experience. These enhancements result in more moments of awe, lifetime memories and meaningful stories for guests to share from their cruise vacation.

Princess Medallion Class

Over the years, Princess guests have enjoyed warm and gracious service in an atmosphere of comfortable elegance. This experience has been enhanced with the noted breakthrough in the vacation industry – Princess MedallionClass $^{\text{TM}}$ experience offering a number of new features that leverage touchless technologies and significantly enhance and personalize the guest experience, as well as support new health protocols.

Princess MedallionClass Vacations begin with the Medallion™ wearable, a quarter-sized, device that enables everything from expedited contactless boarding to locating loved ones anywhere on

the ship, as well as enhanced service like having whatever guests need, delivered directly to them, wherever they are on the ship. In addition, guests can share their favorite cruise moments using MedallionNet, the best Wi-Fi at sea, as well as stay connected with friends and family back home, work remotely anywhere on the ship, quickly post content and stream favorite movies and shows.

Worldwide Destinations

Princess' more than 170 different itineraries offer travelers the opportunity to literally cover the globe, with sailings to seven continents that call at more than 330 ports and destinations around the world. Destinations include the Caribbean, Alaska, Panama Canal, Europe, Mexico, South America/Antarctica, Australia/New





Zealand, South Pacific, Hawaii, Tahiti/French Polynesia, Asia, India, Africa, Canada/New England and world cruises. Princess guests can enhance their cruise experience with a wide array of immersive shore excursions worldwide, led by local experts. The company's cruisetour offerings also enable guests to combine their cruise with a full land tour in several destinations, such as Europe, Japan and South America. As the recognized leader and #1 cruise line in Alaska, Princess hosts more guests in Great Land than any other cruise line

with a variety of cruise and cruisetour options highlighting the state's must-see attractions, including Glacier Bay National Park and Denali National Park. "North to Alaska," the awardwinning onboard program, brings authentic Alaska experiences to life through

local seafood and real Alaskans coming aboard to share their stories. Offering a seamless vacation experience, Princess also owns and operates five wilderness lodges nestled in scenic riverside locations throughout the state and offers its exclusive "Direct to the Wilderness" rail service – giving travelers the opportunity to combine cruise, train, and lodge to see the best of Alaska.

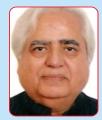
A Modern Fleet

Princess' 15-ship fleet offers a range of sizes and amenities. The line's largest vessels include Discovery Princess (2022), Enchanted Princess (2020), Sky Princess (2019), Majestic Princess (2017), Regal Princess (2014), Royal Princess (2013), Caribbean Princess (2004), Crown Princess (2006), Diamond Princess (2004), Emerald Princess (2007), Grand Princess (1998), Ruby Princess (2008) and Sapphire Princess (2004). Mid-sized vessels consist of Coral Princess (2003) and Island Princess (2003).

The six Royal Class vessels (Royal Princess, Regal Princess, Majestic Princess, Sky Princess, Enchanted Princess and Discovery Princess), introduced a new generation of ships to the fleet. The ships feature a 50 percent larger atrium which is the social hub of the ship; a dramatic over-water SeaWalk, a top-deck glass-bottomed walkway extending more than 28 feet beyond the edge of the vessel; plush private poolside cabanas that appear to be floating on the water; the Princess Live! television studio; a dedicated pastry shop; more dining options including a special Chef's Table Lumiere, a private space that surrounds diners in a curtain of light; and balconies on all outside staterooms. Princess Cruises is part of Carnival Corporation (NYSE: CCL and CUK), one of the largest vacation companies in the world. Finding new ways to bring people closer is the legacy of Princess Cruises - creating lasting memories as guests, crew and local destination experts share their hearts, their worlds and create authentic connections while on a Princess cruise vacation.

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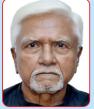


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Warm regards

Ashok Lalwani President (North India) Sindhi Council of India

Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR) Region

Background Of Key Office Bearers

Mr Ashok Lalwani



Mr Lalwani is the President of Sindhi Council of India-Delhi and NCR region. He is not only an exemplary leader with deep roots in Sindhiyat, he is a well known figure in the Sindhi Community in northern India and also advisor to

the Delhi Unit of BJP. Mr Lalwani is also on the governing body of "Nari Shakti" and President of its outfit "Kawach" which is an NGO dedicated to the cause of women empowerment.

Dr J.C Jhuraney



Dr Jhuraney is the Vice President of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is also Advisory Editor of 'Sindhi Sansar' magazine which is regularly published under the courtesy of Sindhi Council of India. In addition, he is also

Secretary of Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar. Earlier, Dr Jhuraney was Director and Company Board Member at Omax Group of companies and Senior Vice President (HR) at Samtel Group. He has led several national and international conferances on the subject of management and HR and was Vice President of Delhi Management Association and Chairman of HR Comittee of CII, Northern region. He is receipient of 'HR Excellence Award' which was presented to him by Mr RV Shahi, when he was Secretary of Ministry of Power, Govt of India. Dr Jhuraney is Leadership and Executive Coach and Founder and CEO 'Executive Avenues.'

Dr Prakash Keswani



Dr Keswani is Vice President of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is an eminent educationist and runs a chain of educational institutions and schools. He is the Chairman of Sai Memorial Education Society, Delhi which has

in its fold several schools and colleges.

Mr Shyam Ambwani



Mr Ambwani is the Vice President of Sindhi Council of India, Gurgoan NCR. He is ex-President of Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar. He retired as the Chief Engineer from Delhi Development Authority and is currently in the

construction business.

Mr Naresh Belani



Mr Belani is General Secretary of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is also General Secretary of Sindhu Samaj, Delhi. He is an entrepreneur by profession.

Mr Jagdish Nagrani



Mr Nagrani is Treasurer of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is also President of Sindhu Samaj, Delhi. He is a retired Bank officer.

Mr Bhisham Teckchandani



Mr Teckchandani is Vice President (Sindhi Language and Litrature) of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is also President Dwarka Sindhi Sangat, Dwarka, Delhi. Mr Teckchandani is a well known poet of

Sindhi Language. He writes under nick name of 'BhishMill' and has authored a book of Sindhi Poems. He is also General Secretary of Pragatisheel Sindhu Samaj, Delhi. On professional side, he is an Engineer and Management Graduate and operates as Management Consultant.

Mr Raj Mamtani



Mr Mamtani is Secretary (Social and membership) of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is also Convenor of Sindhi Social and Cultural Society (Regd) and Convenor and Program Officer, Sindhu

Adventure Trail wherein he organises the 15 days educational and excursion trip to Sindhu Ghat, Leh every year. Mr Mamtani is a renowned Social worker of Sindhi community.

Mrs Anjali Tulsiani



Mrs Tulsiani is the President of Ladies Wing of (Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She is also Chief Editor of famous newspaper 'Sindhi Gulistan'. She is associated with several NGOs of Ladies and works actively for the

women empowerment. She is also an stage artist and performs in Sindhi plays.

Dr Neelam Mansharamani



Dr Mansharamani is Vice President of the Ladies Wing of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She has done MBA in HR and has also done Child Brain Development Course from Philadelphia and has worked with Airport

Authority of India. She is an ardent and popular singer and sings Sindhi and Hindi songs and Bhajans, Sufi Kalams as well as film songs. She is also a painting artist and has participated in more than 120 national and international painting exhibitions. Overall, she has more than 100 awards to her credit. She has also written four books on

the then Vice President of India, Hon. Mr M Venkata Naidu. She has the title of Ambassador of Peace from Indian Council of Human Relations. She is mother of Chirag who is differently abled and does painting with help. Recently Neelam walked the RAMP with her Differently Abled Son Chirag and the Great Fashion Designer JJ Valaya at Hotel Hyatt. She also counsels differently abled children and their parents.

Mrs Veena Nagrani



Mrs Nagrani is Vice President of the Ladies Wing of Sindhi Council of India-(Delhi and NCR region). Earlier she worked as Principal of a Government Secondary school in Delhi and contributed significantly to the life and welfare

of the school going kids. Currently she is also associated with the affairs Sindhu Samaj, Delhi

Mrs Chitra Sahajwani



Mrs Sahajwani is Vice President Ladies Wing (Noida NCR) of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She is also President, Sindhi Society, Noida. She takes keen interest in Sindhiyat movement in Delhi.

Mrs Manisha Israni



Mrs Israni is Vice President of Ladies Wing of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She has deep interest in promoting Sindhiyat movement. She assists her husband Mr Vijay Israni in managing Pragatisheel Sindhi Samaj.

Mrs Ratna Jhuraney

Mrs Jhuraney is the General Secretary of the Ladies Wing



of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She is also one of the Founder members of Veeral Sai Katha Group, a famous spritual organisation of Ladies of Delhi which has been active for more than 25 years. She is a trained

Astrologer and has done Diploma and Post Diploma course in Astrology.

Mrs Madhu Mamtani



Mrs Mamtani is the Treasurer of the Ladies Wing of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). She has deep interest in Sindhiyat movement and has been contributing significantly in this field. She is in the management cadre of State

Bank of India and is receipient of the SBI Bank Chairman's Award for the outstanding performance.

Mr Kapil Lalwani



Mr Lalwani is President, Youth Wing, Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is an eminent Advocate proudly affiliated with Sindhi Communityand known for unwavering commitment to legal profession. He practices

law in Hon'ble Supreme court of India and Delhi High court and various subordinate courts. His proficiency extends across Civil, Criminal, and Corporate matters. He had a distinguished 3 year tenure as a Law clerk-cum Legal Research Assistant with Hon'ble Mr Justice Dalveer Bhandari (Retd.) at Hon'ble Supreme court of India. Born on November, 1985, Mr Kapil Lalwani completed his LLB (Hons) from GGSIP University, Delhi and for last 11 years has consistently represented clients across nation, demonstrating an an unwavering commitment and legal excellence. Mr Lalwani's leadership within Youth Wing of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region) reflects passion for advancing the interest of the Community and fostering a bright future for the Sindhi Youth.

Mr Mohit Ramani



Mr Ramani is Vice President of the Youth Wing of (Sindhi Council of India Delhi and NCR region). He is also Executive Committee Member of Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar. Mr Lalwani is an Advocate by profession and works

in a Law firm.

Mr Manish Lalwani



Mr Lalwani is Vice President of Youth Wing, Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is a real estate entrepreneur and also heads several Start-Ups in Delhi. He is also conceptualizing launch of a restaurant of

Sindhi cuisine in Delhi.

Mr Deepak Idnani



Mr Idnani is General Secretary of the Youth Wing of Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR region). He is an active member of Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar and also General Secretary of Resident Welfare Association of

DDA flats Prasad Nagar, phase I. Mr Idnani is a young entrepreneur and runs his own business of his popular brand of healthy snacks in Delhi.



Notable Sindhi Saints

By Dr J.C. Jhuraney Sr. Vice President, Sindhi Council of India (Delhi and NCR)



Satguru Sacho Satramdas Sahib: Sai Sacho Satramdas Sahib was born on 25th October 1866 in Pujya Rahakri Sahib. He received divine Naam Daan from his father Satguru Sant Khotaram Sahib. He had vast knowledge of spiritual texts including Gita, Mahabharta and Ramayana and also recited Bhajans of Kabir, Farid, Namdeo, Tukaram and Baba Gurunanak. He believed that all living beings including birds and animals should be treated with equal respect. A revered Sadhu of Haridwar

conferred the title of 'Sacho Satram' upon Satramdas Sahib. He left his Mortal body on January 25, 2011 at Rahakari Sahib, Sind.

Sant Bhagat Kanwar Ram (1885-1939):



Bhagat Kanwar Ram was born in District Sukkur, in 1885 A.D. Sant Kanwar Ram was not only popular among Sindhi Hindus but also with the Muslims. He had the divine gift of sweet and soothing voice which captivated one and all by his mystical voice. Kanwarram used to sell boiled grams (called "kuhar" in Sindhi) to earn money when he was in his adolescence. One day, when he was on his way of selling grams, Saint Satram was very impressed by young Kanwar and took him into his mandli and made him stay in his Ashram where Kanwar Ram grew up and learned to sing and dance for his Murshid Sai Satram Das. One of the

important miracles connected with Sant Kanwar Ram was that he revived a dead child to life by singing. Due to his sweet voice, the record company HMV made 10 gramophone records including his most popular and soothing Bhajan...Naale Dhanee Je, Bedo Paar Muhijo.... These songs are extremely popular among Sindhis. Kanwar Ram was assassinated in communal riots in Sukkur in December 1939 at RUK station.



Sant Sai Sadhram Sahib:

Sant Sai Sadhram Sahib, in his present form of Hazir Swaroop, was born on a Friday, specifically on October 25th, 1963, in Raharki Sahib located in Sindh. His father, the respected Sant Bhagwandas Sahib, was also a devoted follower of Sant Satram Das Sahib and was highly regarded as his worthy successor. Shahanshah Satguru Sant Satramdas Sahib was the maternal grandfather of

Babal Sai Bhagwandas sahib. His destiny took a decisive turn when Dulha Darvesh Sant Sai Kanhaiyalal Sahib, who was serving as the successor to Shehenshah Satguru Sai Satramdas Sahib and overseeing Raharki Sahib, urged Hazir Swaroop Sant Sadhram Sahib to dedicate himself to the noble cause of serving the poor, needy, and unenlightened masses. After Dulha Darvesh Sai Kanhaiya Lal, Hazir Swaroop Sant Sadhram Sahib is the genuine heir of Shehenshah Satguru Sant Satramdas Sahib, and he is cherished by millions of people worldwide.



Swami Lila Shah:

Sant Swami Leela Shah was born at Hyderabad, Sind in a small Village Mehrab Chandni of Tanda Baga Taluka, on march 1880. Swamiji was religious from his childhood. He refused to marry and opted to live as a Sant and pray to God. He decided to work for the upliftment of the people. He became disciple of Vedic Acharya Sant Shri Keshavaram, who filled in him a light of knowledge and philosophy and named him as Leelashah. After Indo-Pak partition he established schools, Dharmshalla, Gau Shala,

Hospitals, Vridhshram, Libraries, Satsang Halls etc. In the last few years of his lifetime, he propagated against dowry system and encouraged group marriages. He was Brahma Gyani- such great sant, after leading a worth -living life of 93 years, on 4th November 1973 he left his body. Sant Leelashah's Samadhi is situated at Adipur.



Satguru Swami Teoonramji Maharaj:

Poojya Satguru Swami Teoonramji Maharaj was born on the 6th of July, 1887 in a small village of Sindh known as Khandu on the banks of the holy river. Sindhu in the province of Sindh. At young age he conducted Satsangs and dedicated his life to "seva" and "simran". Many youngsters and muslims became followers of Swamiji. He travelled from place to place

spreading the teachings of "Sanatan Dharma" and while travelling with his disciples, Swamiji formed the Prem Prakash Mandal with the principles of spreading of the vedic culture. He compiled in a large Granth of 800 pages of Sindhi and Hindi verses, known as the "Shri Prem Prakash Granth". Poojya Satguru Swami Teoonram ji Maharaj left for His heavenly abode in 1942 in Hyderabad (Sindh) at Prem Prakash Ashram that was taken care of by Swami Madhavdas ji Maharaj.



Swami Shanti Prakash Ji Maharaj:

Satguru Shanti Prakash was born in year 1907 on Pooranmaasi day in the Sukhar district in Sindh. When he was in the fourth standard, he got small pox and lost his eyesight. In his search of spirituality, he came in contact with Swami Teooramji Maharaj who blessed him with Guru Mantra and gave him name of Shanti Prakash. After Partition, Shanti Prakash came to Ulhasnagar and established Swami Teooram Prem Prakash Mandal. Besides doing the discourses, he also managed Swami Sarvananda

Hospital, Gow Shala, Nari Shala and many other welfare activities for the welfare of masses. He completed his earth journey on August, 1992. He was deeply admired and loved by the followers..



Sant Pujya Sai Chanduram Saheb:

He was born on 9th September, 1947 which also happened to be Gokul-Ashtami, thoroughly devoted to the ancient Hindu Sanatan culture, value systems and spiritual traditions. He had spent numerous hours of deep contemplation, reflection and meditation on the holy scriptures like Guruvaani, Srimadbhagvat, the Gita, and Ramcharitmanas etc. He is an ardent and dedicated devotee of the renowned saint of Sindh Sant Satramdas Sahib ji and Amar Shaheed Sant Kanwarram Sahib. The various social services are being rendered by the Shiv Shanti Ashram, under the guidance of His Holiness are symbolic of this love for mankind and social emancipation.



Sadhu TL Vaswani:

Sadhu Vaswani was born on November 25, 1879, in Hyderabad Sind. He was an Indian educationist and a prolific writer who authored several books in English and Sindhi. A born orator, when he spoke, he filled the hall with the rich lyrics of his words and even richer music of his heart.



Dada JP Vaswani:

Dada Jashan P Vaswani was born on 2 August 1918 in Hyderabad Sindh. Better known as Dada Vaswani, he was an Indian spiritual leader who promoted vegetarianism and animal rights and was the spiritual head at the Sadhu Vaswani Mission founded by his Guru, Sadhu Vaswani. He authored about 150 self-help books in Sindhi and English. Under his direction, the sadhu Vaswani mission stood up for causes such as women's empowerment, education, vegetarianism and animal rights on a global level including Global Meatless day on 25 November and global Forgiveness day on 2nd August.



Satguru Sant Yudhishtar Lal:

Satguru Sant Shri Yudhishtar Lal ji is the 9th Gaddesar of Pujya Shadani Darbar. It is a popular Hindu temple in Raipur, India and Pakistan. Sindh temple is located in Hayat Pitafi, Mirpur Mathelo Taluka, Ghotki District and was set up by Sant Shadaram, a great Hindu Saint in year 1786. He was born on 13th December, 1963. He is the descendent of his father, Sant Gobindram Sahib ji who was fully satisfied with his Shewa and transferred his spiritual powers to him three days before he quit the worldly life. Sant Yudhishtar's positive attitude and kind nature has created a great respect for him in the hearts of Shadani Shewaks and other people.



Sai Vasan Shah:

Popularly known as 'Rohari Jo Rahabar,' Sai Vasan Shah was born on 19th February, 1848 at Rohri, Sindh. At the young age itself, he had become disciple of Parul Shah who started inducting him in spirituality. In the childhood itself, he recited the Bani of Guru Nanak and arranged the Langars for the downtrodden. Based on his positive deeds, Sai Parul Shah blessed him that 'Vasan, Vasan do he Rahande'. Sai Vasan Shah's mircles are well known because of his spiritual powers, one of those being when, through his spiritual powers, a ten year boy returned after four days though he was washed away in the river. Though he left the worldly body in 1984, he is still alive in the hearts of people who visit Sai Vasan Ghot Darbar at Ulhasnagar.



Swami Sarwanandji Maharaj:

Swami Sarvanand Maharaj was born in the year 1897 and he was named "Siru". Listening to of Satguru Swami Teoonramji Maharaj, his uncle, since childhood greatly influenced Swamiji. Satguru Swami Teoonram kept his name as "Sarvanand". When Satguru Swami Teoonramji Maharaj left for heavenly abode in 1942, Swami Sarvanand was enthroned as the Gadeshwar (spiritual head) of Prem Prakash Mandal. He spread the fragrance of the "Satnam Sakhi" mantra across the world. After India gained its independence, Swamiji came to India and worked very hard to build Amrapur Darbar in Jaipur in the likeness of the temple in Tando Adam, Sindh. Swamiji put immense efforts and compiled the teachings of our Satguru Swami Teoonramji Maharaj to form the Prem Prakash Granth. On July 21, 1977

Swamiji's light merged with his Satguru.



atguru Swami Bhagat Prakash:

Swamijiwas bornin Bombayon 3 rd November 1960 which was a full moonday. His Maternal Grand father was the disciple of Swami Sarvan and and the family decided to give the kid in the service of Satguruat Amrapur, Jaipur. Swamij did MAin Hindi. His name was changed to Bhagat Prakash by Swami Sarvan and . He always starts his Sats ang with a sindhis ong and narrates the teachings of Satgurus of Prem Prakash Panth. As fifth successor of Prem Prakash Mandal he gives more emphasis to meditation at Jaipur Ashram.



Shahan Shah BabaNebhraj:

Shahenshah Baba Nebhraj was born in year 1875 in Rohri in upper Sindh. He was known to have special powers as he knew about the previous births, could predict events. He also foretold that partition was going to take place and also the earthquake of Quetta as well as Swami Kanwar Ram's assissnation. According to the website of the Sufidarb trust, Shahanshah Baba Nebhraj lived truly like a Sufi Sant of Sindh. Poor in wealth by the worldly standards, he was rich in the spritual treasure. He was a source of help and healing, inspiration and guidance to those who wanted to tread the spritual

pathandlonging to be come one with God.



Pujiya Amma Kamla Sahib

The revered lineage continued at Majnu ka Tila, Delhi with spritual leadership of Baba Gopal Das Sahib Talib. This was followed by taking overby the compassion at ePujya Amma Kamla Sahib. Embodied with deep compassion and selfless love, Pujiya Amma devoted her life to serving humanity, including the underprivileged. Her profound kindness and generosity inspired countless souls. Pujiya Amma Kamla Sahib's earthly journey concluded on December 22, 2015, leaving behind a legacy of love and avast community of devotees in reverence. Her enduring impactise vident in the establishment of the Baba Gopal Dass Sahib (Talib) Trust at Majnu ka Tila for service of humanity. The evidence to the trust's ongoing commitment to

service is the Baba Gopal Das Sahib Talib Clinic. This sacred endeavor provides holistic healing through alternative medicines, nurturing the well-being at the clinicat Majnuka Tila.



DadaLachmanDasChellaram:

Born 1938 in Karachi, now part of Pakistan, Dada Lachman is the child in the renowned Chellaram family. His father, Dada Chellaram, was celebrated throughout the Indian Subcontinent and various parts of the world for his melodious Gurbani Kirtan. Inspired by their father, all eight children of the Chellaram family devoted themselves to carrying out the Gurbani Kirtan in honor of the Guru, without any expectations of financial compensation. From 1959 onwards, Lachmandas Chellaram, fondly known as Dada Lachman, began journeying across India and overseas, spreading the Divine name

through Kirtan and discourses. Each year, Dada Lachman spends more seven months travelling extensively and conducting Kirtan programs wherever he goes. Dada has translated Guru Granth Sahib in several languages including English, Sindhi, Sindhi Devnagri and Romanised English. He follows the philosophy of Nirgun Balak Satsangthat "Aap Japoaur Naam Japavo" i.e Chant the Naam Yourself and help others to do the same. He has written numerous books on Hinduspirituality and Gurbani Sahib.



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Day 01: 25th Feb 2025:

Arrival at Auckland International Airport & Check In

12:30am: Meet and greet at the airport. Pick up from the airport, transfer to the hotel.

01:15am: Packed dinner will be served at the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Hotel: Pullman Hotel & Apartment 5*

Day 02: 26th Feb 2025: Auckland City tour

07 am - 10am : Buffet Breakfast at the hotel

10 am - 01pm: After breakfast, we will proceed for a full day Auckland City tour.

Visit to Auckland Harbour Bridge & west haven marina

1:15 pm - 03pm: Transfer to Indian restaurant for buffet Indian lunch.

03:15pm - 6:30 pm : After lunch we proceed to complete our sightseeing. Visit to historic reserve.

In evening visit to mission bay beach.

06:30pm-07:45pm: Transfer back to the hotel.

08:15pm-10:15pm: Pickup from the hotel & transfer to the Indian restaurant for buffet dinner

10:15pm - 10:45pm: Transfer back to hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day03: 27th Feb 2025: Rotorua with Waitomo Glow-worm Tour

07 am - 10 am: Buffet Breakfast at the hotel

10:15 - 01:10pm: Half day trip to Rotorua. Visit Namesake lake. Rotorua, a town set on its namesake lake

on New Zealand's North Island, is renowned for its geothermal activity and Maori culture.

01:10-02:30pm: Transfer to the local restaurant for local lunch.

02:30-06:00pm: Visit to Waitomo Glow worm center. Enjoy second half by visiting caves.

06:00pm-8:30pm: Transfer back to the Auckland(2.5hours). Transfer to Indian restaurant for

Buffet Indian dinner.

10:15pm-10:45pm: Transfer back to the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day04: 28th Feb 2025: Cruise Check In

07 am - 10 am: Buffet Breakfast at the hotel

10:00am-01:00pm: Checkout from the hotel. Drop to the shopping complex.

01:00pm-02:30pm: Transfer to Indian restaurant for buffet Indian lunch.

02:30pm-03:30pm: Transfer to Port to catch Cruise.

05pm: Cruise.

Day 05: 1st March 2025: Cruise + Tauranga City tour Breakfast at the cruise.

09:00 am Transfer from Tauranga port terminal. Pick up from the cruise terminal.

Enjoy Tauranga city tour . Packaged lunch will be served during the sightseeing.

05:00pm: Return back to the Tauranga port terminal. Overnight stay at the cruise.

Day 06: 2nd March 2025: Cruise

BAY OF ISLANDS – NO SIGHT SEEING (CRUISE ON BOARD EXPERIENCE)

Day 07: 3rd March 2025: Cruise At sea view onboard experience

Day 08: 4th March 2025:

Christchurch City Tour - Breakfast at the cruise.

09:00am: Transfer from Christchurch port terminal. Pick up from the cruise terminal.

10:30am: Enjoy Christchurch city tour including Botanical Garden, Restart Mall & Cathedral church. Packaged lunch will be served during the sightseeing.

05:30pm: Return back to the Christchurch port terminal. Overnight stay at the cruise.

Day 09: 5th March 2025:

Dunedin City Tour Breakfast at the cruise.

09:00am: Transfer from Dunedin port terminal. Pick up from the cruise terminal.

10:30am: Enjoy Dunedin city tour by visiting Octagon, Dunedin railway station, Baldwin street,

Botanical garden & Otago Museum. Packaged lunch will be served during the sightseeing.

05:30pm: Return back to the Dunedin port terminal. Overnight stay at the cruise.

Day 10: 6 th March 2025: Cruise

FIRODLAND NATIONAL PARK-NO SIGHT SEEING (CRUISE ONBOARD EXPERIENCE)

Day 11 : 7th March 2025 : Cruise At Sea view onboard experience

Day 12 : 8th March 2025 : Cruise

At Sea view onboard experience

Day 13: 9th March 2025: Hobart City Tour

Breakfast at the cruise.

09:00 am: Transfer from Hobart port terminal. Pick up from the cruise terminal.

10:00am: Enjoy Hobart city tour by visiting Hobart waterfront, Tasmanian Museum, Art gallery, Mt.

Wellington Hobart. Packaged lunch will be served during the sightseeing.

05:00pm: Return back to the Hobart port terminal. Overnight stay at the cruise.

Day 14: 10th March 2025: Cruise

At Sea view onboard experience

Day 15: 11th March 2025: Melbourne City Tour

Breakfast at the cruise.

09:00am: Transfer from Melbourne port terminal. Pick up from the cruise terminal.

10:00am: Enjoy Melbourne city tour by visiting Southbank Precinct, Federation Square,

Queen Victoria market & St. Paul Cathedral. Packaged lunch will be served during the

sightseeing.

05:00pm: Return back to the Melbourne port terminal. Overnight stay at the cruise.



Day 16: 12th March 2025: Cruise At Sea view onboard experience

Day 17: 13th March 2025: Sydney City Tour + Sea World + Madame Tussauds + Check In

Hotel: Pullman Sydney Hyde Park5*

09:00am: Transfer from Sydney port to Hotel.

10:30-12pm: It's time for Holi celebration along with breakfast, sweets, colors, flowers & music.

12:30pm - 2pm: After the Holi party, the group will depart for buffet lunch at an Indian restaurant.

02:00pm-06:30pm: After lunch, proceed for a City tour along with Sea world aquarium, Madame

Tussauds & Sydney Tower.

07:30pm - 10pm: Dinner will be served at an Indian restaurant.

Return back to the hotel. Check in at the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 18: 14th March 2025: Blue Mountain + ZOO

06:30am - 07:30am: Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30am-06pm: Early Morning breakfast and proceed for Opera

house then Full day blue mountain

tour with Sydney Zoo plus 03 scenic rides.

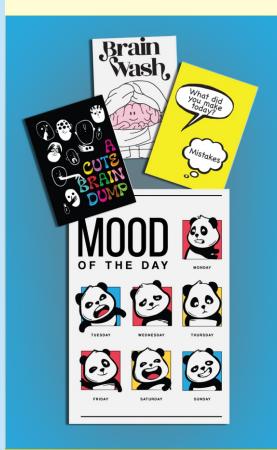
Lunch will be served at Eats 270. Entry to scenic world ultimate discovery pass.

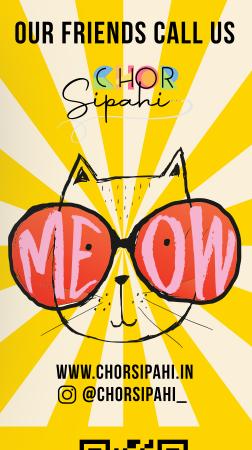
07:30pm-10:00pm: Dinner will be served at an Indian restaurant. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 19: 15th March 2025: Check out

07am-10am: Breakfast at the hotel.

11am: Check out. Transfer to the airport to catch a return flight.





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About Some Major Sindhi Institutions and Panchayats



Rajinder Nagar Sindhi Panchayat

The Panchayat was formed in 1949. Currently it has 586 members and its President is Mr Kailash Rochlani. Some of its activities are managing Guru Mandir located in block 16 in old Rajinder Nagar, Matrimonial Information services, honouring elderly Sr citizens members and meritorious children, helping widows and poor families etc. Guru Mandir holds Satsangs on daily basis & is popular among Sindhis of Delhi

Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar

Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar was founded on the auspicious occasion of Baisakhi Day in 1952 by several prominent leaders of the Sindhi community in East Patel Nagar. The organization's primary objectives are to promote social, cultural, ethnic, and recreational activities, fostering unity and a sense of fraternity among Sindhi brethren.

The Panchayat owns a spacious building, spanning 250 square yards, which was inaugurated by Shri L.K. Advani, the then Minister of Information and Broadcasting on July 3, 1977. The organization's membership encompasses



residents of East and South Patel Nagar as well as Karol Bagh, W.E.A, and Prasad Nagar. It's current President is Mr Bhagwan Bhambhani and Dr JC Jhuraney is its Secretary.

Sindhu Panchayat Patel Nagar enthusiastically celebrates various Sindhi festivals throughout the year, including Lal Loi, Makkar Sankranti, Mahalaxmi Ja Sagra, Diwali, Teejri, Chaliho Sahib, Cheti Chand, and Holi etc. These vibrant celebrations serve as a testament to the organization's dedication to preserving and promoting Sindhi culture and traditions. It has a membership of around 250 people.



Sindhi General Panchayat Janakpuri

The Panchayat established in 1973, stands as a cornerstone of all community life and spiritual devotion in West Delhi. Upon the allotment of land in the same year, construction swiftly began, culminating in the establishment of revered Lal Sain Mandir in year 1977. Though situated in Janakpuri, the Mandir has evolved into a vibrant hub of cultural, social, and religious activities, attracting countless devotees who come to seek blessings and participate in its rich array of events. It has been visited by important dignitaries eg Dada JP Vaswani, Mr. LK Advani and Mrs. Sushma Swaraj etc. It is a center for social and health services and provides

community service including Matrimonial assistance and health care facilities by a homeopathic doctor.

Mandir hosts a variety of monthly religious activities, including Satya Narain Puja, Chand Kirtan, Vispat Ji Katha, and Shanti Path. Major Hindu and Sindhi festivals such as Chaliha Mahotsav, Cheti Chand, Holi, Diwali, Janmashtami, and Guru Nanak Jayanti are celebrated with grandeur. The vibrant Sai Sandhyas and Mahalakshmi Sagra and Teejri ceremonies draw large gatherings. Mandir hosts a variety of social, educational, and cultural initiatives, including Sindhi language classes and workshops during summer vacations. Seminars and Sammellans further promote Sindhi literature, arts, and traditions, nurturing a sense of identity and pride within the younger generations. In essence, Lal Sain Mandir is not just a place of worship; it is a thriving epicenter of Sindhi culture and community service as well. It's current President is Mr Sunil Mamtani and its General Secretary is Anup Mulchandani.

Sindhi Welfare Association Gautam Budh Nagar (Regd)

The Sindhi Welfare Association, Gautam Budh Nagar, was formally registered under the Society Registration Act 1860 on August 10, 2023. Their primary objective is to promote, preserve, and celebrate Sindhi culture, fostering a sense of pride among the Sindhi community. Established 26 years ago, the organization was previously known as Sindhi Society Noida. They take immense pride in having established a beautiful idol of Sai Jhulelal Ji at the Shiv Mandir in Sector 18, Noida. They celebrate their Establishment Day of annually on January 26, marking the occasion with great fervor. Throughout the year,



they organize various Sindhi functions, including Lal Loi, Holi Milan, Cheti Chand, Jhulelal Chaliha, and others.

Family picnics are also organized regularly, exploring scenic destinations like Vrindavan, Gadh Ganga, and other revered sites. During Lal Chaliha, they ensured the organization of Aarti and Pallav for all 40 days at the Mandir. The organization also provides support during difficult times, ensuring that an Executive Committee member attends the funeral or Pagdi Rasm of their members or their family members. Recently they initiated the organization of Aarti and Pallav on every Chandra Day, a tradition they will continue to uphold. It's President is Mrs. Chitra Sahajwani and Secretary Mr Prem Prakash

Sindhu Samaj Delhi

Sindhu Samaj was established in 1957 as a socio-religious organization dedicated to serving the Sindhi community. In March 1982, the Ministry of Rehabilitation and Urban Development allotted a plot measuring 1041 square yards to the organization. The primary objectives of Sindhu Samaj include promoting awareness of the Sindhi language, enhancing Sindhi culture, art, literature, and advancing the interests of the Sindhi community across India. The organization's activities are diverse and inclusive, featuring celebrations of Chaliho Sahib, promotion of Sindhi music and songs, including Bhagat, regular performances of Satya Narayan Katha and Chand, provision of medical services, and career counseling for Sindhi youth. It





organises celebrations of all the also Sindhi festivals which are well attended. Sindhu Samaj also organises symposiums on the contemporary issues of Sindhyat. Swami Lila Shah Sewa Samiti gives financial assistance to over 150 widows and also provides financial assistance to their daughters for marriage and education. It also organises Langar every Friday for poor and needy. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Sindhu Samaj provided essential services to those in need, delivering packed meals to the doorsteps of affected individuals twice a day through its volunteers. The current President of Sindhu Samaj is Mr. Jagdish Nagrani, and Mr. Naresh Belani serves as the General Secretary. They are supported by a dedicated Governing Body. The organization has a membership of around 5000 individuals from Delhi and outside.





















SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA - THE BACKGROUND PRESENT STATUS AND 25 YEAR GAIN

1st NATIONAL CONVENTION

2nd October 1998 Hyderabad-Secunderabad (A.P)







PARTITION OF INDIA & EXODUS Sindhi people migrated to India as Sharanarthis (Refugees) with just their clothes on their bodies because Sindh, their homeland was given away to Islamic Pakistan due to partition of India on two nation theory in 1947. Sindhis were settled in 96 refugee camps set up all over India, reducing them to a linguistic minority everywhere. This was indeed a great tragedy for proud Sindhi people. No Sindhi ever begged on the streets even though so many were old and infirm. The first priority of Sindhis was to achieve their economic Independence.

ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE In last 75 years Sindhis have proved that they are Purusharthis (Self-Helpers). They have achieved an economic miracle by hard work. At present Sindhi population in India is around 9 Million people plus approx 6 Million Sindhis live overseas for their professions/business. The progress achieved by 15 Million Sindhis of India is phenomenal. Sindhis have earned the respect and affection of the people in whose midst they have survived and thrived during last half a century. They are creators of knowledge, wealth and jobs for those who live around them. The business, the professions the educational & health-care institutions set up by Sindhis have benefited the communities where Sindhis have made their homes. Sindhis are influential useful and highly productive part of India's mainstream.

NEED FOR SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA Sindhis are well-known for their acts of philanthropy and charity (Parmarthis). There are however a large number of Sindhis who still live in misery and economic deprivation in those 96 refugee camps all over India, where the living conditions need to be upgraded. Sindhi language, literature and culture are threatened with extinction. There is an urgent need to harness and safeguard the history, the heritage the language and culture of Sindhis. In the fast globalising world there was a need to give identity or objective to the SINDHI URJA SHAKTI, by providing them a common platform. This thought gave birth to a strong urge for global unity of Sindhis, which eventually culminated in forming Sindhi Council of India.

MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER AND FIRST THREE

CONVENTIONS In January 1997 a 200 member Sindhi Delegation drawn from all the states and overseas locations had a Meeting with Prime Minister Sh. Deve Gowdaji under the leadership of Mr. Suresh A. Keswani ji, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) and a charter of demands of Sindhis was presented to him. During the two year period of 1997 and 1998 Sindhi gatherings in various cities and states firmed up the view that Sindhi Council of India should come into being and its formation took place with first National Convention held on 2nd October 1998 on the auspicious day of Vijay Dashmi at the Sindhi deity Sain Jhulelal Temple, Sindhu Bhavan, Secunderabad, Andhra Pradesh.

At the 2nd National Convention held at Nagpur, Constitution of Sindhi Council of India was approved. Subsequently Sindhi Council was registered under the Society's Act 1860 with its Head Quarters at New Delhi. The 3rd National Convention was held at GandhiDham, Kutch in Gujarat state a location, which is emotionally and linguistically closest to the hearts of Sindhis of India. The Constitution of Sindhi Council of India was adopted in GhandhiDham and first Executive Committee was duly elected for three years, in themeeting held at Gandhidham (Kutch). We had blessings of educationist Dr. Nandlal Tolani ji, Indian Institute of Sindhology, Adipur-Kutch and our literary stalwarts Late Sh. Hundraj Dukhayal (Poet Lauriat) & Late Sh. Hari Dilgeer ji.

MAIN OBJECT Even after linguistic reorganization of states in India in 1957/60, Sindhis did not get their state or even a Union Territory inspite of their language being official language and their numerical strength during that time being close to five Million people. The Chief objective of this Body therefore was to safeguard the ethnic and political identity, safety and security of Sindhis by providing them a platform to give expression to their collective political voice and enable them to make use of their talent pool to further improve their contribution in building a strong & resurgent India. THE SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA aims to be an Apex Body to project the United Voice of the Sindhis before the Union Government of India and also the respective State Governments.

Further the Council intends to be active in the other National and International for a in view of the fast globalising world, to secure highest participation of Sindhis who are capable of contributing their strength in multiplying India's economic gains in every important national & international commercial platform of the World. THE STRUCTURE: SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA consists of Ten Regions, out of which Nine Regions are for Indian Sindhis and Tenth Region is for NRI Sindhis. 30 founder representatives are nominated from each region forming 300 strong House of Representatives of Sindhis. Fourth and Fifth Convention of Sindhi Council of India were respectively hosted by Northern Region and Rajasthan Region at Delhi th and Jaipur. 6



Convention was held at Delhi to coincide with unveiling of the bronze Statue of Amar Shaheed Hemu Kalani in the precincts of the Parliament of India at the hands of st Hon'ble Prime Minister Sh. Atal Bihari Vajpayeeji on 21 August 2003. The twenty point action programme for following years was unanimously approved by the delegates at th th st the 6 Convention held on 20 & 21 August, 2003 at Mavalankar Hall, Rafi Marg, New Delhi. We have been electing the Governing Bodies for three years since the year 2003. The Governing Body elected for 3 years from 2024- JUNE is as follows.

Objectives, Achievements and Future plans for Sindhi Council of India

Sindhi people migrated to India as refugees with their clothes on their bodies because their Homeland was given away to Islamic Pakistan due to partition of India on two Nation theory in 1947. Sindhis were resettled in 96 Refugee camps setup all over India, reducing them to linguistic minority everywhere. This was indeed a great tragedy for proud Sindhi people. No Sindhis ever begged on the streets even though so many were old and infirm. The Priority of Sindhis was to achieve their economic independence in their new locations.

Economic miracle of Sindhis:

In last 75 years, Sindhis have proved that they are Purusharthis (self-helpers). They have achieved an economic miracle by hard work. At present the Sindhi population in India is approximately 10 million. Sindhis have earned the respect and affection of people in whose midst they have survived and thrived during last over 75 years. Where ever they have settled, they have created jobs around them by starting their own avocations/businesses. They have not asked for any reservations in the jobs as was the case of other Castes. They are creators of knowledge, wealth and jobs for those who live around them. The businesses and professions, the education



and health-care institutions set up by Sindhis have benefitted the communities where Sindhis have made their homes. Sindhis are influential, useful and productive part of India's mainstream.

Need to uphold Sindhi Culture:

Sindhis are well known for their acts of philanthropy and charity. There are, however, large number of Sindhis who still live in misery and economic deprivation in those 96 refugee camps all over India, where the living conditions need to be upgraded. Sindhi language literature and culture are threatened with extinction. There is an urgent need to harness and safeguard the history, the heritage and culture of Sindhis. In the fast-globalizing world, there was a need to give identity to SINDHI URJA SHAKTI, by providing them a common platform, and political status. This was the conclusion during a meeting with Ulhasnagar Manufacturers Association, where the baton of long drawn dialogue with Govt. of India on these issues which were carried on by all India Sindhi Panchayats Federation President Sh. Nari Gursahani ji was passed on to Sh. Suresh Keswani ji M.P. (Rajya Sabha). The above thoughts gave birth to a strong urge for global unity of Sindhis, which eventually culminated in forming Sindhi Council of India head quartered at Delhi.

1st National Convention was held on 2nd October 1998 at Secunderabad- Andhra Pradesh

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Charter of demands of Sindhis was finalized with the help of Late Sh. Nari Gursahani ji & Sh. Kundan Das Rohiraji & presented to the Hon'ble PM. Sh. Deve Gowda.

In the two-year period of 1997 and 1998 during Sindhi gathering in various cities and states the need for having an



organization to unite the Sindhis across the globe, was firmed up. Accordingly, the 1st National Convention was held on 2nd October 1998 on the auspicious day of Vijay Dashmi at the Sindhi deity Sain, Jhulelal Temple, Sindhu Bhavan, Secunderabad, Andhra Pradesh and Sindhi Council of India was formed. Direct benefit to Hyderabad/ Secunderabad Sindhis for hosting 1stSammelan of Sindhi Council of India was the approval granted to them for their Cooperative Bank by the Reserve bank of India through the efforts of Sh. Suresh Keswani ji, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) & the President of S.C.I.

2^{nd} National Convention held 0n 1999 at Nagpur

Constitution of SINDHI COUNCIL OF INDIA was approved. Subsequently Sindhi Council was registered under the Society's Act 1860 with its Head Quarters at Delhi.

$3^{\rm rd}$ National Convention was held on 2000 at Gandhidham-Kutch in Gujrat

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consultation with literary personalities of Sindhi language & culture and guidance of the Poet Laureate Hundraj Dukhayal & Sh. Satish Rohira of Indian Institute of Sindhology-





Gandhidham. Several years back the Indian Institute of Sindhology were asked to print constitution of India in Sindhi language. With the change in Union Govt., this project was put on the back burner. Sindhi Council of India on its formation of their 1st Executive Committee in Gandhidham agreed to get this wrongly rejected contract to be executed by the newly elected Lok Sabha-This was the first achievement of Sindhi Council of India, when the Indian Institute of Sindhology was enabled to print & supply the Constitution of India in Sindhi language to the Parliament of India-The then Speaker of Lok Sabha Late Sh. Balyogi had acceded to the request of Sh. Suresh Keswani ji- M.P. (Rajya Sabha) & fulfilled their old commitment. One of our founders Late Sh. Nandlal Tolaniji of Tolani Shipping & Tolani Colleges in Gandhidham is seen here with Shri Keswani.

4th Convention held on 2001













brought together our founders from KOLKATA, BIHAR, U.P., Rajasthan, Gujrat, Maharashtra, Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad & Southern states. The greatest gain was promise of land for SindhiBhavan at Delhi as soon as our financial credentials could meet the legal

requirement by the Ministry of Urban Development. Sindhu Bhavan on the lines of Bhavans allotted by the Govt. of India to each state was the need for the thinly spread & scattered







community of Sindhi Hindus, throughout India & global commercial capitals of the world. For Sindhis living in overseas locations. India is their only home & the place of their religious as well as social needs. Sindhis demand for Sindhu Bhavan is long neglected by Govt. of India.

5th Convention on 2002 at Jaipur, Rajasthan





5th Convention at Jaipur, Rajasthan was innaugrated by Congress President Smt. Sonia Gandhi as the Chief guest, Chief Minister Sh. Ashok Gehlot was Presiding over this function. This was attended by delegates from most cities of India.

6th Convention on 2003 at Parliament House, New Delhi









6th Convention saw the installation of Bronze Statue of Amar Shaheed Hemu Kalani ji in the precincts of the Parliament House of India. This was the greatest achievement of Sindhi Council of India. Hemu Kalani was the the National hero who had sacrificed his life for our nation during our freedom struggle. Just because he was a Sindhi & his homeland Sindh was no longer part of India, his sacrifice could not be ignored. Sindhi council of India was able to get the valuable support from our founders Ladhani brothers of Lucknow. Rajasthan M.P. Shrichand Kripalani ji had specially come for this event in the Parliament of India. Delhi Chief Minister Smt. Sheila Dixitji had inaugrated our 6th Convention & Hon'ble Arjun Singhji was the Chief guest.

7th Convention on 2004 at Karanchi, Pakistan





7thSammelanat Karanchi, Pakistan was aimed at addressing the Linguistic & Cultural responsibilities of Sindhi Council & restoring contact with four crore Sindhis living in Sindh-Pakistan. Sindhi language is surviving and thriving in Sindh. Taking delegation of our literary Sindhi personalities through







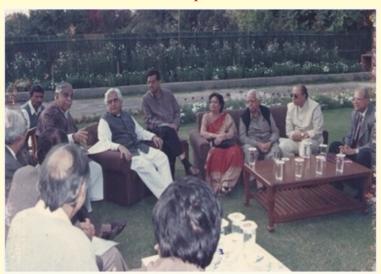




sponsorship of Sindhi Academy Govt. of Delhi, to Sindh-Pakistan was the achievement of Sindhi Council of India. We had established

dialogue with Sindhi Educationists & literary world under Banner "Shah Sachal& Sami International Peace Mission". We had secured the political protection during Pakistan tour from Acting President of Pakistan Hon'ble Mohammed MiyanSoomro, who was the Senate Chairman of Pakistan. We had full blessings of Hazur Swaroop S.S.D. Sain Sadhram Sahib, who had kindly hosted our delegation both at Karachi & Rahedki near Sakhar. Our visit to Mohan Jo Daro rekindled our thoughts on Indus Valley Civilization, which is the mainstream of our Vedic Sanskriti.

8th Convention on 25th & 26th September 2005 at Mumbai





All India Executive Com. Meeting at NSCI (Mumbai) on 25th Sept 2005. Justice I. S. Israni, now National President of SCI addressing the executive members. Others on the dias seen are (L-R) Parmanand Khattar, Amar Doulatani, Suresh Keswani, Harish Dubey & Sudesh Sachdev (Delhi).



Chief Guest Shri Ganesh Naik (Excise & Labour Minister) addressing the convention after inauguration. Shri Suresh Keswani (Chairman-NCPSL) and Kanyalal Gidwani

Our 8th Sammelan at Mumbai was held on 25th & 26th Sept. 2005and was addressedby Vice President & Chairman of our Political Rights Committee Late Justice Indersen Israni with Chief Guest being the Hon'ble Minister in Maharashtra state cabinet Sh. Ganesh Naikji & guest of honor was Late Sh. Kanaiyalal Gidwani M.L.C. from Sangli-Maharashtra. This Sammelan was devoted preparing a plan to approach the Union Govt. for securing constitutional & political rights as a dominant linguistic minority. Our President Sh. Suresh Keswaniji was to seek the appointment with Justic C. Venkatchalaiha Committee. Our meetings with Justic Venkatchalaiha for this dominant purpose & the outcomes were the milestones of achievements.

9th Convention on 2006 at Kolkata





9thSammelan at Kolkata in 2006 was hosted by the Treasurer Sh. Raju Bharatji and President of Eastern-Zone Sh. DilipBhownaniji. Our new President of S.C.I. Late JusticInder sen Israni had Inaugurated the 9thSammelan which was mainly to welcome a delegation of Sindhisinvited from Sindh-Pakistan to India by National Council for Promotion of Sindhi language. They had met with the Hon'ble P.M. Dr. Manmohan Singh ji at a Tea-Party held in P.M. residence at Delhi.

10th Convention on 2007 at Dubai













10thSammelan of Sindhi Council was hosted by Late Sh. Ram Baxani and was held at Dubai-Hazur Swaroop Sain Sadhram had kindly blessed the S.C.I. with presence of Sindhi group from Sindh and we had the benefit of Aashirwads of Sain Sacho Satram during several days of our visit to Dubai.

11th Convention on 10th September 2008 at Ajmer, Rajasthan

11th Sammelan was hosted by Khubani-Harilela groups, who run a Sindhi School in Ajmer-Rajasthan. We were invited to Ajmer by Mr. Victor Khubaniji& thereafter Sammelan was held in Hong-Kong with gala Dinner at Harllela Home. All Sindhi Council delegates exceeding 120 & Local Host Committee of additional 30 members enjoyed the sprawling Harilela Palace which could accommodate everyone for Cocktails & Dinner. On following day Local Hong-Kong Kowloon Sindhi Association Chief Mr. Notan Tolaniji hosted the Sammelan & Dinner at their own facility. On 10th Sept. 2008 we took a cruise from Shenzen to Xiamen in China. On the following day we were treated to Dinner at the Renaissance Hotel by Consul General Sh. Lal Hardasani& our Local hosts Sh. NotanTolani& Sh. K. Sital plus Mr. Bob Harilela. Following two days most of the delegates went to Macau by Cruise & we returned to India on 15th Sept. 2008, after a week in that region of China & Hong-Kong.

12th Convention on 2009 at Los-Angeles, America (USA)

12thSammelan was held in U.S.A. together with Alliance of Sindhi Association of America hosted by their Los-Angeles Chapter in 2009. Late Justic Sh. Motlal Butani & Deepa Israniji welcomed our group at Los Angles. We were invited by Late Mr. Victor Khubani of Newyork for a grand Dinner





hosted by him for the S.C.I. at New Jersey, Newyork. We had visited various enroutelocations like New York, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas etc. Our Cruise tour to Alaska were a rewarding experience. Similarly Canada tour to Toronto, Niagra falls etc. were the special events and the tour was organised by S.C.I., which had become the talk of the town & a feather in the Cap of our Late President Amar Doultani.

13th Convention on 14th February 2010 at Banglore

13thSammelan was hosted by Karnataka Region in 2010 at Banglore. The greatest gain of this Sammelan was establishment of S.C.I. Ladies-Wing, under the leadership ofLate Smt. ShobhaKarloji on 14th Feb.2010. Ladies-Wing added a new dimension to the growth of Sindhi Council of India. We owe a great deal for this success to Late Smt. Shobha Karloji.

Convention of International Sindhi Association at Ahmedabad. The International Alliance of Sindhi Association were very keen to use the platform of Sindhi Council of India to present the voice of NRI Sindhis to the Govt. of India. We did not organise separate Sammelan of S.C.I. in the Year 2011 and all our delegates & members of Sindhi Council of India whole heartedly hosted this International Sindhi event at Ahmedabad as their own Sammelan. The Sammelan hosted by M.P. Region at Bhopal in the middle of the year 2011 was regarded as our Executive Meeting.

14th Convention on 27th-28th October 2011 at Hyderabad

14thSammelan of S.C.I. was again hosted at Banglore on 27/28th October, with an intention to expand our activities in Hyderabad region & Chennai Region which had become inactive, after demise of Late Sh. Lalchand Nichani ji of Chennai. Our pillar of strength in Hyderabad Mr. Shyam Jumani ji also had relocated to USA.

15th Convention on 2012 at Banglore

15thSammelan of S.C.I. was hosted at Banglore by S.C.I. under the stewardship of new President of S.C.I. Sh. Ghansham Gehani ji, who was looking at Banglore region with greater expectations in view of fast growing Electronics/ Computer engineering & rise of Information age.

16th Convention on 2013 at America on a Cruiseship from Orlando-Florida (USA)

16th Sammelan of S.C.I. was held jointly with Alliance of Sindhi Association of America on a Cruiseship from Orlando-Florida (USA) in the year 2013. Our delegation was led by our President Sh. Ghanshyam Gehani.

17th Convention on 2014 at Cancelled

17thSammelan was to be held jointly with Alliance of Sindhi Association of America in Indore. This was however cancelled as our President Sh. Ghanshyam Gehani demitted office.

18th Convention on 2015 in Hotel Radisson Blu at Jaipur









18th Sammelan was finally held at Jaipur under the leadership of Sh. ParmanandKhattarji in 2015. This was hosted by Sh. Mohan Gurnani ji in Hotel Radisson Blu at Jaipur.

19th Convention on December 2016 at Cruise Tour to Vietnam, Hong-Kong and Macau

19thSammelan was a Cruise Tour to Vietnam, Hong-Kong and Macau- This was planned for December 2016. This was however delayed and finally materialised as 15 Days Cruise-Tour beginning from Singapore & going via Thailand & Vietnam to Hong-Kong and Macau etc. S.C.I. delegates had departed for Singapore on 16-06-2017 & returned on 30-06-2017.

20th Convention on 23rd & 24th December 2017 at Banglore







20thSammelan was held at Banglore on 23rd& 24th Dec.2017 under the Leadership of Sh. Mohan Das Ladhaniji, National President – Sindhi Council of India.

21st Convention on 2018 at Patna, Bihar

21st Sammelanwas hosted by Sh. Ashok Mankani, Regional President, Patna, Bihar in 2018.

22nd Convention on 2019 In Hotel The Grand Bhagwati at Indore

22nd Sammelan was held at Indore in 2019. This was hosted by Sh. Narendra Somani jiin his Hotel The Grand Bhagwati at Indore. This was the year when our Sh. Shankar Lalwani ji, General Secretary of S.C.I. got a ticket to contest LOK SABHA election from Indore by B.J.P. party & He won a resounding victory with a record margin.

23^{rd} Convention on 2020 along with International Alliance of Sindhi Association of America

 $23^{\rm rd}$ Sammelan was hosted at Poona along with International Alliance of Sindhi Association of America.

24th Convention on 2021 In Raddision Blu at Chennai

24th Sammelan was hosted by J.C. Prakash, Regional President S.C.I. at Raddision Blu at Chennai.







$25^{ ext{th}}$ Convention on December 2023 at Singapore-Thailand-Vietnam Cruise

25th Sammelan was held at Singapore-Thailand-Vietnam Cruise in December, 2023. This was presided over by our Immediate Past President Sh. S. Kumar.























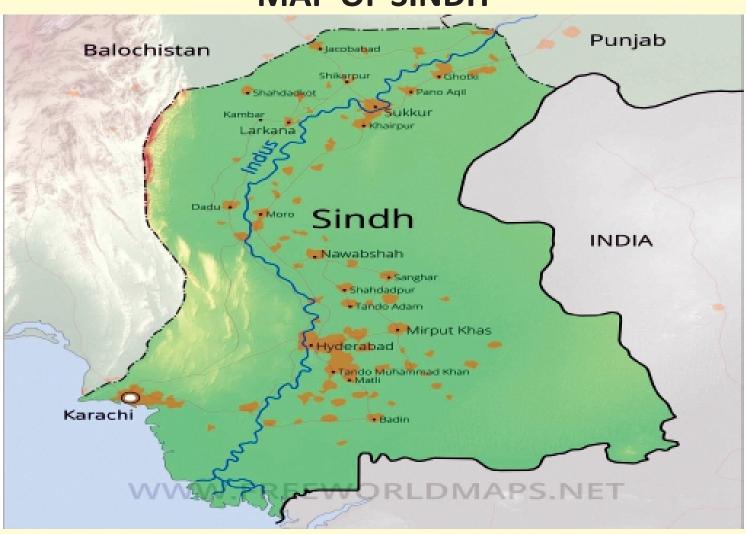








MAP OF SINDH



HISTORY OF SINDHIS

Pre- Historic origin of Sindhis is Kaikeya Pradesh (Caucasus) on the banks of Kashyap Sagar (Caspian Sea) and most are said to be of Kashyap Gotra. (The countries of the Caucasus are Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and the Russian federation).

BC-6000 Indus Valley- Neolithic settlements.
BC-5000 Farming, Pottery & Beads developed.
BC-4000 Potters wheels & bow drill invented.

BC-3500 Growth of Pottery.

BC-3000 AMRI civilization & its ruins.

BC-3100 to BC-850 Sindhi language evolved over a period

of 2400 years.

BC-2500 KANIKOT ruins- civilization.
BC-2300 MOEN JO DARO- civilization.
BC-1700 Aryan Rule for 1000 (years starting)

Must read a book by Sh. Bhagwan Gidwani. Return of the Aryans-His theory is that Sindhis were the "ARYANS" who had returned to India after their Mass Exodus from India several centuries ago.

BC-1500 SEHWAN (Sivistan) was important Shiva

Cult centre.

BC-810 EGYPTIAN EMPEROR SUME RAMES

attacked Sindh.

BC-566 to 490 HUNS ruled Sindh.

BC-326 to 326 Alexander the great stormed through-

Indus Valley- He was resisted & injured in Multan.

BC-313 BUDDHISM was popularized in Sindh during EMPORER ASHOKA'S period- This was followed by the Rule of Shaliwahan Shak dynast Kanishka. Under Kanishka rule were all areas of Sindh, Baluchistan, Punjab, Northern territories, Tibet & parts of China with Peshawar as the capital of India & China.

AD-280 to 500 PERSIAN Rule.

AD-550 to 711 1. Rai Sahiras ruled Sindh- His son Sahasi formed Rai Dynasty- which ruled Sindh.

2. Chach succeeded the Rai & founded Brahman Dynasty.

3. Raja Dahar (Son of Chach) took over from Chander (Brother of Chach) – He was martyred, when Arabs invaded Sindh.

AD-711 to 1026 Invasion of Sindh by 17 years old Md.

Bin Qasim- Established Arab Rule for next 305 years.

AD-1054 Soomras faced ruinous invasion by Md. Gaznavi

& Alauddin Khiljee.

AD-1351 Rise of Samma Dynasty in Sindh.

AD-1521 to 1554 ARGHUN Rule was established in Sindh

by Shah-Beg. He was descendant of Changez Khan.

AD-1554 to 1591 General Mirza ISA Beg founded Tarkhan Dynasty in Sindh (TURKS in Origin) after demise of Shah Hasan of Arghun.

AD-1555 Portugese sacked Thatta- a bustling metropolis of Sindh.

AD-1591 to 1700 Shahenshah AKBAR annexed Sindh to

Hindustan.

AD-1701 to 1782 Kalhoras ruled Sindh for 85 years, 12 Kalhora rulers ruled during this period- This period of Sindhi literature- Shah Abdul Latif, Sachal Sarmast & Sami became famous.

AD-1782 to 1843 Talpurs ruled for 61 years- Sindh was devided in 3 states, Hyderabad, Khairpur & Mirpur Khas state.

AD-1843 Talpur Rulers of Sindh & Baluchistan were defeated by British under Sir Charles Napier- AD 1847 SINDH was made part of BOMBAY presidency & AD-1851 Sindhi was declared official language of Sindh. AD-1853 Sindhi Script for the language with final & refined version for entire Sindh Province was accepted by the British-Sindhi Script had 52 letters.

AD-1935 In Bombay Presidency Dominion legislature Sindh had 21 MLA's elected from Sindh.

AD-1936 Sindh was separated from Bombay Presidency.

AD-1947 Independence of India & partition on two nation theory & exchange of population compelled Sindhi Hindus to loose their homeland & migrate from Pakistan (Comprising whole of Sindh) to India where there was no homeland for Sindhis- Vedas were written on the banks of river Sindhu-SINDHU GHATI SABHYATA had already become the MUKHYA DHARA OF VEDIC HINDU RASHTRA & the natural home for Sindhis has since been VEDIC SANATANI – BHARATi.e. India.



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मीडिया प्रेस क्लब द्वारा जीरो ग्राउंड पर काम करने वाले मीडिया कर्मियों और मीडिया प्रेस क्लब के सदस्य प्रेस और मीडिया के स्थाई पाठकों एवं दर्शकों को हर संभव सहयोग देने वाले महानुभवों को मीडिया कर्मियों की और से प्रत्येक वर्ष राष्ट्रीय मीडिया रत्न पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किये जाने वाला देश का प्रमुख पुरस्कार है।

रिफ्रेश दशहरा पुरस्कार:

भारत का दशहरा प्रमुख त्योहार है जिसे बड़ी धूमधाम से मनाया जाता है। उत्तर भारत में दशहरा के अवसर पर 10 दिन तक चलने वाला रामयण पर आधारित रामलीला का बड़े स्तर पर मंचन किया जाता है। जिसका उद्देश्य भावी पीढ़ी को रामयण और हिन्दू संस्कृति के प्रति जागरूक करना है।

इसलिए रामलीला आयोजकों को और बेहतर रामलीला करने के लिए मीडिया प्रेस क्लब प्रत्येक वर्ष फिल्म, मनोरंजन, धर्म और संस्कृति पर लिखने वाले वरिष्ठ पत्रकारों को जज बनाकर उनकर निर्णय के आधार पर उत्तम मंचन करने वाली रामलीला को रिफ्रेश दशहरा पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया जाता है। इस पुरस्कार के मुख्य जज प्रसि) संत त्रिलोचन दर्शन दास महाराज है। रिफ्रेश दशहरा पुरस्कार दिल्ली एनसीआर के बड़ी रामलीला आयोजकों में प्रसि) है।

गुलाबी आंदोलन:

गुलाबी आंदोलन किसी अनजान भीख मांगने वाले को भीख ना देने के लिए जागरूक करने का राष्ट्रव्यापी मुहीम है। कियोंकि भीख मांगना गैर कानूनी के साथ-साथ अपमान जनक, दुखदायी, समाज को शर्मिन्दा करने वाला कार्य है। अधिकतर भीख मांगने वाले मजबूरी में नहीं व्यवसाय मानकर भीख मांगते हैं। हमारे दया भाव के कारण भीख मंगवाने वाले गिरोह नवजात बच्चों की चोरी करके उनसे भीख मंगवाने के लिए उन्हें मजबूर करते है।

इसलिए हमारी दया भाव की आदत को बदलने के लिए मीडिया प्रेस क्लब द्वारा वर्ष 1918 से दिल्ली सरकार के तत्कालीन सामाजिक कार्य मंत्री श्री राजेंद्र गौतम के उदघाटन उपरान्त इस मुहीम को चलाया जा रहा है। किसी अनजान भीख मांगने वाले को भीख ना देने की शपथ लेने वाले का अगर कोई भीख मांगने की अपनी आदत को छोड़ता है तो गुलाबी आंदोलन की और से जब तक उसके रोजगार की व्यवस्था नहीं होती तब तक उसके पूरे परिवार के खाने की व्यवस्था कर दिया जायेगा।

सामाजिक बदलावकार Social Reformer (SR-) की मानद उपाधि:

किसी अनजान भीख मांगने वाले को भीख ना देने के लिए जागरूक करने का राष्ट्रव्यापी मुहीम सिंहत किसी भी सामाजिक कुरूतियों और समाज के अहित नीतियों को समाप्त करने में किसी भी प्रकार से सहयोग करने वाले महानुभावों को गुलाबी आंदोलन की और से समाज के द्वारा समाज की और से सामाजिक बदलावकार Social Reformer (SR-) की मानद उपाधि से सम्मानित करता है।



Sindh: The Cradle of the Indus Valley Civilization

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The Sindhi people possess a rich legacy that spans ancient civilizations, diverse cultural influences, and significant historical events. Historically significant, the region derives its name from the Indus River, known in Sanskrit as *Sindhu*, serving as a cultural anchor of Sindhi identity for more than 5000 years.

Origin of the Name Sindhi

The term *Sindhi* originates from *Sindhu*, the ancient Sanskrit name for the Indus River, which was a source of livelihood of the Sindhi people. The river provided resources for agriculture, fishing, and trade. It formed the foundation of their economy, enabling trade and commerce and facilitating connections with distant lands.

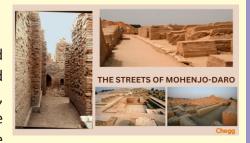


The Indus Valley Civilization

Sindh was an integral part of the Indus Valley Civilization, one of the world's earliest urban societies. It stood as a beacon of advanced civilization with its hub in Moen-jo-Daro, meaning "Mound of the Dead." This archaeological site, located in modern day Larkana, Sindh, dates back to 3000 BCE. The civilization extended beyond Sindh to Punjab, Kutch, Kathiawar, and other regions of India and covered Harappa region too.

Architecture

The Indus Valley Civilization was renowned for its remarkable town planning and sanitation systems. There were strict building codes which discouraged encroachment on public spaces. Homes were designed with standardized rooms, kitchens, and baths, complete with proper roofing and drainage. Public infrastructure included street lighting, cleanliness systems, and even watch-and-ward services. The



iconic Great Baths, made of watertight bricks, served as public pools. The society relied on bullock carts for transportation and stored weapons like bows, arrows, and axes for defence. Their cities had sophisticated architecture, including dockyards, granaries, warehouses and fortified walls. The drainage and sewerage systems were fairly advanced to ensure proper hygiene, cleanness and good health.



Art and culture

Cremation ceremonies were conducted along the riverbanks, symbolizing a well-ordered, secure, and culturally rich society. Men and women, regardless of social class, wore ornaments and colourful dresses, reflecting their developed textile and embroidery skills.

Technology

The Indus Valley people made significant technological strides, particularly in measurement systems. They introduced uniform weights and measures, with the smallest division of approx imately 1.6 mm discovered on an ivory scale at Lothal, in present-day Gujarat. This precise measurement system extended to their uniform-sized bricks used in construction. There were proper seals which featured animal



motifs, such as elephants, tigers, and water buffaloes. There is also evidence of metallurgy, working with copper, bronze, lead, and tin, and they created intricate handicrafts from semi-precious stones.

Notable discoveries include the "Priest-King" statue and the "Dancing Girl," a bronze figurine capturing a graceful pose indicative of choreographed dance forms. Terracotta works depicted animals such as cows, bears, and monkeys.



Socio-Political System

The socio-political structure was hierarchical. Villages were governed by a head with extensive authority, assisted by a ministry. A monarchy system prevailed, with succession within the royal family. However, there are instances of elections within the royal lineage. Women enjoyed empowerment in societal matters, including partner selection. They wore various ornaments, signifying their status and individuality. Medicine, though elementary, was practiced, and education was

imparted orally through Vedic literature.

Decline of the Indus Valley Civilization

The Indus Valley Civilization began to decline around 1800 BCE, likely due to climate change and migration. By 1700 BCE, major cities like Moen-jo-Daro and Harappa were abandoned. Theories explaining this decline include the Aryan Invasion Theory and environmental changes.



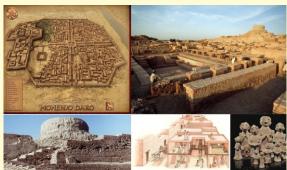


Invasion of Aryans: British archaeologist Mortimer Wheeler proposed that the peaceful Indus people were invaded by Aryans, a nomadic Indo-European tribe. This theory is based on unburied corpses found at Moen-jo-Daro, suggesting war victims. The Aryans, possessed advanced weapons and horses, land defeated the locals.

Climtic Change: Some scholars attribute the decline to environmental factors, such as the drying of the Saraswati River or catastrophic floods. These events led to agricultural failures, economic breakdowns, and eventual urban decline. Skeletal evidence indicates malaria outbreaks, further exacerbating societal collapse. Despite these theories, the true cause is a subject of speculation and varying interpretations due to limited written evidences.







Aryan Influence and the Vedic Period

Post-Indus civilization saw gradual socio-economic changes. By 1200 BCE, societal norms, such as stylish clothing systems, began to evolve. The Vedic period (1200-100 BCE) possessed significant

cultural and religious developments, including the composition of the Rig Veda along the Indus River.

Hemu Kalani

The Young Sindhi Martyr of Indian Independence Movement

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Hemu Kalani was a brave young Sindhi who made the ultimate sacrifice for India's independence is an unsung hero of our freedom movement. He was one of the youngest martyre who sacrificed his life at the tender age of 19 years. Born on March 23, 1924, in Sukkur, Hemu joined the freedom struggle at a young

age and was instrumental in forming Swaraj Sena to fight for the independence of the country.

Early Life and Education

Hemu was the eldest son of Shri Pessumal Kalani and Smt. Jethibai Kalani He had his education at Tilak High school at Sukkar. His uncle, Dr. Mangharam Kalani, a prominent Congress leader, inspired Hemu to join the freedom struggle.

The Quit India Movement and Hemu's Role

In 1942, Gandhiji launched the Quit India Movement. Hemu, then a student, joined the Swaraj Sena, a revolutionary organization. He became a key member and participated in secret meetings to plan revolutionary acts.

Derailing the Train and Arrest

On October 2, 1942, Hemu and his companions planned to derail a train carrying military personnel and hardware. However, they were caught by the guards. Hemu's companions fled, but he bravely faced arrest.

Torture and Trial

Hemu underwent severe torture to reveal his accomplices' names and the organization he belonged to. However, he remained silent and took the blame upon himself. He was

sentenced to life imprisonment, but the authorities later enhanced the sentence to death.

The Martyr's Family

Hemu's family was deeply shaken by the martyrdom. His father, Shri Pessumal Kalani, begged for clemency, even offering to be hanged himself in exchange for his son's life.

Hemu's Last Wish

Before his execution, Hemu made a final request. He asked that everyone present, including the British authorities,

raise national slogans. This passionate patriot's wish was fulfilled, and his name became etched in the annals of history.

Celebrating Hemu's Legacy

Hemu Kalani's martyrdom day is celebrated annually on January 23 by Sindhi organisations and panchayats all over India and abroad. Sindhis worldwide pay tribute to this brave young man who sacrificed his life for India's independence. His legacy continues to inspire future generations to fight for their rights and freedom. He is also popularly known as Shaheed Bhagat Singh of Sindh.

Installation of Statue of Hemu Kalani in Parliament

Hemu Kalani, was honored by installation of his statue in the Indian Parliament, thanks to the tireless efforts of Mr. Suresh Keswani, the Founder President of the Sindhi Council of India. Mr. Keswani, a Rajya Sabha member at the time, played a crucial role in getting the statue approved with the help of former Lok Sabha speakers Mr. Shiv Raj Patil



and Mr. Manohar Joshi. The statue, sculpted by Mr. Ram Sutar, was unveiled by former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on August 21, 2003. This achievement is a testament to Mr. Keswani's dedication to preserving Sindhi heritage and promoting national unity. Hemu Kalani's legacy continues to inspire Indians, and his statue in the Parliament serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by freedom fighters like him. The Sindhi community's rich cultural heritage and contributions to India's independence movement are a source of pride for the nation.



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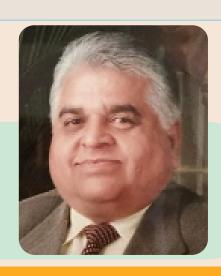
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