



CHITTARANJAN PARK KALI MANDIR SOCIETY (KMS)

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AN UPDATE ON SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES

From Secretary's Desk

GREETINGS TO ALL MEMBERS, RESIDENTS AND READERS

April 2015 was a very important month for us. Financial year 2015 - 2016 commenced from this month. Bongabdo 1422 was in this month - 15th April. Surya Pronam and Nababarsha Baran at 5.30 A.M. on 15th April witnessed an assembly of 2000 devotees at the Mandir Complex, to pay their obeisance to the first rising Sun of the year. They prayed to Sun God to grant them enough strength to face the challenges in life, serve the humanity and love to all. Day long rituals were performed as per the Almanac and in the afternoon devotees partook holy bhog prasad. The curtain came down in the evening with Gunijan Sambardhana to (1) Shri Dipak Bhattacharyya and (2) Shri H. P. Nag Choudhury, release of Barsho Panjika 1422, distribution of prizes to the winners of recently held Recitation Competition on the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda and culminating with a scintillating cultural programme on Swami Vivekananda. In the said month Akhay Tiritiya and Shiv Mandir Pratistha Diwas was celebrated on 21st April 2015.

In this month of May, three important programmes are slated (1) Dance Presentation by the Artists from Assam on 2nd May (2) Rabindra Jayanti Celebration on 9th May and (3) Annual General Body Meeting for KMS Members on 24th May. Please make it convenient to attend all the programmes.

As the financial year 2014 - 2015 came to an end on 31st March 2015, we need to take stock of developmental activities, innovation and devotee's convenience that the MC had undertaken and accomplished with your co-operation and support, which are visible. The image of Mandir could be impressive only with your support, co-operation, concrete suggestions and future vision. The Committee is sanguine that this spirit would be forthcoming from you all, in the days to come.

Kali Mandir is yours and for the improvement of various functions of our favourite Mandir, your suggestions, co-operation and support are most valuable to us and would always cherish it.

May the blessings of MAA KALIKA shower on you and your family members for good health and peaceful life.

Regards

Santi Mazumder

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It was 5.30 A.M. morning of 15th April 2015, the last shade of previous night darkness was slowly fading away, and the daylight had just started appearing, that 1500 devotees, in their best Bengali attire, fresh in their looks and bright smiles in their faces assembled at the lush green lawn of Mandir Complex. The purpose was to offer obeisance to the first rising Sun of *Bangabdo* 1422, for granting them strength for peace and happy life in the NEW YEAR. All round calm and tranquility prevailed except the occasional Mandir Bell, chirping of birds

and cool breeze. Devotees stood in silence with ARGHAS containing *Jaba* flower specially flown from Kolkata by a well wisher, *durba*, *dhan* and holy water in their hands towards the eastern side of the Mandir where the first rising Sun was to appear. With the sound of conchshell, ten budding artists of Chittaranjan Park and adjoining areas rendered sweet and melodious songs befitting the occasion. Equal number of ladies with *diyās* in their hands did the pompous *arati* along with the songs.

Welcoming the early morning congregation, Dr. Ananda Mukherjee, Chief Advisor wished everybody and their family members a healthy, peaceful and prosperous happy year. In the New Year, KMS would be working with new energy, vigour and enthusiasm. The respected *Purohīts* chanted holy *slokas* on SUN GOD, which was responded by the devotees. All present were invited for a light *Misti Mukh*.

Since *Poila Baishak* is considered as the most auspicious day by all sections, the three decorated Temples were agog with the presence of large number of devotees. Special Puja for the occasion commenced from morning and continued upto late afternoon. Elaborate arrangements were made by the Puja Division to enable the devotees to offer obeisance and *pushpanjali* smoothly. Different types of flowers were flown from Kolkata by a well-wisher. In the afternoon holy bhog prasād was distributed to all.

At dusk, after *Sandhya arati* the attention was towards the cultural stage for a scintillating cultural programme. Welcoming the audience, Shri N. N. Sarkar, President, elaborated about the significance, of *SURYA PRONAM*. On this happy occasion he conveyed his greetings to all for a healthy, peaceful and prosperous *Bangabdo 1422*. Like previous years, this year too, two well-known Bengali personalities, Shri Dipak Bhattacharyya, a prominent Solicitor and Shri H. P. Nag Chowdhury, a Banking Expert were honoured as "GUNIĀN". The occasion was also utilised for the release of illustrated "Bengali Almanac" for 1422. A Recitation Competition in Bengali on the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda was organised recently

and the winners were handed over prizes by Swami Gunashreyananda of Ramakrishna Mission, Delhi.

“সব ভাল যার শেষ ভালো তার” The concluding programme was a presentation on the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda, titled "Viveker Shrote" by "Shrutibritto" from Kolkata. The one hour packed programme of recitation, Rabindra Sangeet, songs written by Swamiji and dances were highly acclaimed. The artists displayed their talents in scintillating mudras with absolute harmonization.

The entire day programme, dawn to dusk was sponsored by "State Bank of India, Chittaranjan Park Branch, New Delhi."

AKHAY TRITIYA / SHIV MANDIR PRATISTHA DIWAS

The popular Shiv Mandir in the Mandir Complex was established on the auspicious Akhay Tiritiya Day. Foundation stone was laid on 20th September 1990 and within a period of two years, the construction of the Shiv Temple was completed. Since that time various rituals are being conducted at the Temple with solemnity.

Akhay Tiritiya / Shiv Mandir Pratistha Diwas was celebrated at Shiva Temple on 21st April 2015. Predominantly ladies worship Lord Shiva in a most pious and solemn manner. After the morning sankalpa done by the officials of KMS, the rituals, followed. Elaborate arrangements were made by the Puja Division for the devotees to offer Pushpanjali and in the afternoon they partook holy bhog prasād.

THANKS

We are grateful to Dr. Niti Rana of J - 1913, Chittaranjan Park, Amar Jyoti Foundation for sponsoring the painting of main entry staircase on the eve of Nababarsha Day.

We are also grateful to Mr. K. V. Rajendran

and Mrs. Thilakam Rajendran of A - 24, Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi - 110019 for their benevolent thought of converting the present lighting arrangements in the three temples and the connective areas into LED system, which would not only glow in a more brighter way but would substantially reduce our monthly electricity bill.

May the choicest blessings of MAA KALIKA shower on Dr. Niti Rana, Mr. K. V. Rajendran and Mrs. Thilakam Rajendran for a happy and peaceful life.

“নহো প্রণাম”

2nd May, 2015 Dance Presentation - Moods of the North East by Artists from Assam at 7.00 PM.

9th May, 2015 Rabindra Jayanti Celebration at 7.00 PM.

Annual General Body Meeting for KMS Members is scheduled on Sunday, 24th May, 2015 at 6.00 PM at Mandir Prangan.

OBITUARY

- 1) Smt. Bhanu Rani Banerjee mother of Shri Dibyendu Banerjee of 52/48, Chittaranjan Park left us on 1st April 2015 for her heavenly abode.
- 2) Mrs. Surabala Basu, w/o Shri S. R. Basu of K-2067, Chittaranjan Park, left for her heavenly abode on 6th April 2015.
- 3) Shri Shankar Datta Chowdhury of 60/1, Govind Puri left us for his heavenly abode on 09.04.2015.

We offer our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and pray for eternal peace of the departed souls.

GLIMPSES



"SURYA PRONAM"



Distinguished guests at the Dais



Release of "Borsho Panjika" for 1422 Bangabdo



Winners of the Recitation Competition on the Life & Teachings of Swamiji

Snaps - courtesy Km. Prabha Majumdar

Mandir Calender : May, 2015

Pujas and Other Events in the Mandir

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Date	Day	Timings	Event
03.05.2015	Sunday	Evening	Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja
09.05.2015	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Shoni Puja
17.05.2015	Sunday	Night	Sri Sri Amabasya Kalika Puja / Sri Sri Falharini Kalika Puja
31.05.2015	Sunday	12.30 P.M.	Daridra Narayan Sewa

Other Festivals / Puja Days (for Information)

04.05.2015	Monday	-	Budha Purnima
15.05.2015	Friday	-	Bishnupadi Sankranti
24.05.2015	Sunday	-	Jamai Sasthi
28.05.2015	Thursday	-	Sri Sri Ganga and Manasa Puja

Sankirtan on Ekadashi Days (After Evening Arati)

01.05.2015	Friday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
14.05.2015	Thursday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
29.05.2015	Friday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha

Ladies Kirtan at Temples

04.05.2015	Monday	Evening	Ladies Kirtan at Shiva Temple
		-	Every Evening Ladies Kirtan at the Three Temples

Religious Discourses at Netaji Subhash Hall (NSH) / Sri Sri Mohan Sant Kutir (SSMSK)

03.05.2015	Sunday	11.00 A.M.	Discourse by the Devotees of Sri Sri Sitaramdas Onkarnath Debji at SSMSK
07.05.2015	Thursday	05.30 P.M.	Path and Discourse by Saccidananda Society at NSH
09.05.2015	Saturday	06.00 P.M.	Discourse and Nam Kirtan by Mohanananda Devotees at SSMSK
10.05.2015	Sunday	06.00 P.M.	Discourse by Sri Sarada Sangha at NSH
20.05.2015	Wednesday	06.30 P.M.	Prachya-Manisha-Gavesana-Mandiram - Lecture Series at NSH
21.05.2015	Thursday	05.30 P.M.	Path and Discourse by Saccidananda Society at NSH
23.05.2015	Saturday	07.30 P.M.	Satsangh by Satsangee Bhatri-Bhagini Brinda at NSH

Cultural Programme

02.05.2015	Saturday	07.00 P.M.	Dance presentation from Assam, 'Moods of the North East'
09.05.2015	Saturday	07.00 P.M.	Rabindra Jayanti Celebration
24.05.2015	Sunday	06.00 P.M.	Annual General Body Meeting (for KMS Members' only)

Puja / Festivals in June, 2015 (for Advance Information upto 15.06.2015)

02.06.2015	Tuesday	Evening	Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja
06.06.2015	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Shoni Puja
12.06.2015	Friday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha

All are cordially invited to participate

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