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**CHITTARANJAN PARK KALI MANDIR SOCIETY (KMS)**

**NEWS LETTER**

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**VOL. XXVII No. 6 AN UPDATE ON SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES****FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK****Respected Members / Devotees / Readers,**

It was my proud privilege to present, before the AGM of KMS my report on the activities undertaken during the year 2016-17, held on Sunday, the May 28th 2017. This was my second successive report, first being for 2015-16 which was presented last year. The year witnessed impressive advancement of the Society: pujas and rituals in great abundance, cultural programmes throughout the year, flower show, donation to Socio-Cultural-Religious-Philanthropic Institutions for their on-going projects, improved services to devotees, decorative terracotta work, extensive repair and white washing of Jatriniwas and numerous other developmental work. All these could happen because of your active cooperation and the able leadership of the Society's President, Dr. Ananda Mukherjee. In his key-note address to the AGM, Dr. Mukherjee exhorted the G. B. Members that we need not be complacent but to remain active, so that the Divine objectives of the Society, as enshrined in its Constitution, are achieved.

The G.B. expressed the hope that the Managing Committee would continue to carry forward the momentum of progress, with the vision of building spirituality and culture based philanthropic society. However, for us, our journey in every possible sphere will continue and the Society's advancement will depend on your continued active support and valuable cooperation. Let us strive with the same passion and zeal, as we started forty-four years ago. Please come forward and extend your helping hands to the mighty task.

Pursuant to the decision of the AGM, the process of Biennial Election of the Managing Committee (2017-19) under the stewardship of Shri Gautam Dasgupta, Election Officer was set in motion immediately. The voting for one post each of Secretary and Treasurer, five posts each of Vice President and

Joint Secretary and thirteen posts of Members, will take place on Sunday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2017 (7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.). Counting of votes will commence after 2.30 p.m. Results will be announced after completion of counting of votes. As KMS is a Socio-Religious-Cultural-Philanthropic Society, it is highly desirable from the respected Members to cast their verdict in favour of a Committee, which is capable of good governance of the Society, possessing skill in Management of its various activities - religious, developmental, cultural, charitable, social welfare and above all responsive to devotees. Service with a smile should be the badge or sign-board of the newly elected Managing Committee.

On 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 KMS celebrated the 156<sup>th</sup> birthday of Gurudev Rabindranath Thakur in the Muktangan. Songs, Dance and Skits of this noble laureate was conducted by more than 115 Artists from all parts of Delhi who made the audience spellbound.

As notified, the celebrations of the current month include two popular religious festivals, namely, Rathayatra and Bipattarini Brata. With the immense blessings of His Divine Grace Om Vishnupada 108 Tridandiswami Sri Srimat Bhaktisravan Tirtha Goswami Maharaj, KMS has been organizing the popular festival of Rathayatra every year and this year this great event will be organized on Sunday, the 25th June, 2017. Revered Swami Atmajnanda Maharajji, Secretary, Bharat Sewashram Sangha will inaugurate the celebration by pulling the rope of the holy chariot and Abhisekh of Lord Jagannath will be performed by Swami Shantatmananda Maharaj, Secretary, Rama Krishna Mission, Delhi. Sri Sri Bipattarini Puja, predominantly by ladies, will also be celebrated with immense joy and enthusiasm on 27th June and 1st July, 2017 (Tuesday & Saturday respectively). We solicit your gracious participation with family and friends in these programmes besides other programmes and festivals as per details furnished in the last page of this News Letter.

The dates for "Sarodiya Durga Puja, 2017 are from 26th September, 2017 (Tuesday) to 30th September, 2017

(Saturday). The newly elected Managing Committee would doubtless plunge into action immediately for preparatory arrangements for this mega festival in a befitting manner. The valuable participation of you all, is the sin-quo-non for successful performance of this great Mega Festival. If we have achieved anything, it is due to your participation, inspiration, support and encouragement.

Before I exit, I would like to point out here that for the timely action by three energetic youths of the Managing Committee of KMS (Shri M. K. Roy - Joint Secretary, Shri Shambhu Bagchi and Shri Pramitabha Barua both Members) prevented a major fire mishap from engulfing J - 1926, C. R. Park on the evening of 27th April, 2017. Seeing the flames and dense smoke emitting there from, they immediately raised a hue and cry which attracted the attention of other Society Members who also joined them in rescue operations in real earnest by arranging much needed water supply and relief work. The Fire Brigade and Police Station was also informed immediately. Due to their prompt action, an octogenarian lady in a wheel chair was rescued and other occupants of the building were evacuated to safety. As a result of their prompt action, the fire was extinguished and major damages prevented.

May the Mother Durga bless you all.

**Dr. Pradip Majumdar**

**RABINDRA JAYANTI CELEBRATION**



*Floral tributes to the Laureate*

The day temperature was 44°C, sun was hitting the open ground in front of Kali Mandir with full force, where a band of Volunteers were engaged in the preparation of the huge stage for the cultural programme in the evening. That was the scenario on Tuesday, 9th May, 2017, on which day, “Rabindra Jayanti Celebration” was scheduled. It has been the practice of Kali Mandir to celebrate the birthday celebration of Kabi Guru on 25th Baishak itself, hence



*A section of the Artists*

9th May, 2017. However, there was no looking back, and the entire force from Tent House, Electrician and KMS officials were on the spot.

“Rabindra Jayanti” celebration has become an universal event which is in the calendar of not only the Cultural Organisations in India, but even Organisations located abroad. The celebration at Mandir complex has been of a different chord.



*Group of youngsters on the celebration*

Hence all concerned plunged into action for an aesthetic ambience facing the harshness of heat. KMS was overwhelmed with the response and co-operation of all, when 115 budding Artists from 7 different Rabindra Sangeet Institutions – Rabigeetika, Bhanutirtha, Uttarayan, Saptak, Ujaan, Anandadhwani, Gunjaran came forward to present a mesmerizing programme on Rabindra Sangeet, Recitation and Skits. The 115 strong Artists drawn from all corners of Delhi and the NCR, attired in their best Bengali traditional dresses, presented an evening of 1½ hour non-stop programme.

Dr. Ananda Mukerjee, President, talked about many facets of Kabi Guru and welcomed the overflowing audience, who enjoyed till the last moment.



*Dance sequence of the programme*

The seven Rabindra Sangeet Institutions, who are imparting Rabindra Sangeet to students, adorned the stage with their Mentors, alongwith a few individuals. Two skits and recitation by children from Bikalpa were the new additions. It was ultimately turned out to be an enjoyable evening to the delight of the audience.

### ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

It is once a year that the Members of KMS meet together for an in-depth introspection of the performance of Kali Mandir Society. KMS is having five divisions : Puja, Dharmashala, Organisation, Social Service and Cultural, who independently work under the close supervision of the Managing Committee. The arena of activities of KMS is so wide now, that each Division has to remain on its toes throughout the year to come upto the expectations of Members and Devotees. The General Body provides the path direction to the Managing Committee, advise, guide, suggest and introspect. Active participation by the Members is a source of great strength to the Managing Committee for effective working.

The yearly ritual was held on Sunday, 28th May, 2017. The outside temperature was not congenial but the devoted Members of Kali Mandir braved the scorching heat and attended the Meeting in time to take stock of the work done in the past. 219 Members assembled at the well laid out Shamiana to take part in the healthy deliberations.

Elaborate arrangements were made by the MC to see that no inconvenience was caused to the esteemed Members who spared their valueable time and attended the AGM to discuss, stimulate and guide the MC for the next year's Agenda. Since this is an Election year, the deliberations were more exhaustive and full of seriousness.

Water spraying fans were installed under the shamiana, cold water / soft drinks were served and each

and every Member was offered an opportunity to express his / her views.

Members were highly appreciative about the all round developmental work taken place during the last year. Neat, clean and green ambience of the Mandir Complex highly impressed the Members and all of them felt that the Mandir has been converted into "Vrindaban Dham". The charm of KMS in the observance of all rituals with full religious fervour, transparency and meticulous maintenances of KMS accounts, was very much lauded by the Members present.

### DARIDRA NARAYAN SEWA

The June slot for Daridra Narayan Sewa is sponsored by Shri Anjanesh Bhattacharyya and Family of D - 634, Chittaranjan Park in memory of his dear father Late Shri Bhabesh Chandra Bhattacharyya. We join hands with Shri Bhattacharyya in this noble task.



### রথযাত্রা

৯ই আষাঢ়, ১৪২৪ (ইং ২৪শে জুন, ২০১৭) শনিবার

শ্রীমতি নন্দিনী ভট্টাচার্য্য ও ভজন মন্ডলী (দিব্লি)

সন্ধ্যা ৭.০০ ঘটিকায়

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নগর পরিক্রমা : বিকেল ৫.০০ ঘটিকায়

হরিনাম সংকীর্তণ : সন্ধ্যা ৬.৩০ মিনিটে

(বৃন্দাবন চন্দোদয় মন্দির)

ভোগ বিতরণ : রাত্রি ৮.০০ ঘটিকায়

## Mandir Calender : June, 2017

### Pujas and Other Events in the Mandir

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Date	Day	Timings	Event
08.06.2017	Thursday	Evening	Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja
10.06.2017	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Shoni Puja
23.06.2017	Friday	Night	Sri Sri Kalika Puja
25.06.2017	Sunday	12.30 p.m.	Daridra Narayan Sewa
25.06.2017	Sunday	05.00 p.m.	Sri Sri Jagannath Dev's Rathyatra and Nagar Parikrama
27.06.2017	Tuesday	Forenoon	Sri Sri Bipattarini Puja and Brata

#### Sankirtan on Ekadashi Days (After Evening Arati)

05.06.2017	Monday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
20.06.2017	Tuesday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha

#### Ladies Kirtan

05.06.2017	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)

01.06.2017	Thursday	05.30 P.M.	Path and Discourse by Saccidananda Society at NSH
04.06.2017	Sunday	11.00 A.M.	Discourse by the Devotees of Sri Sri Sitaramdas Onkarnath Debji at SSMSK
10.06.2017	Saturday	06.00 P.M.	Discourse and Nam Kirtan by Mohanananda Devotees at SSMSK
11.06.2017	Sunday	06.00 P.M.	Discourse by Sri Sri Sarada Sangha at NSH
15.06.2017	Thursday	05.30 P.M.	Path and Discourse by Saccidananda Society at NSH
21.06.2017	Wednesday	06.30 P.M.	Pracya-Manisha-Gavesana-Mandiram-Lecture Series at NSH

#### Cultural Functions

24.06.2017	Saturday	07.00 P.M.	Devotional Songs on the eve of Rath Jatra
25.06.2017	Sunday	04.00 P.M.	Abhishek of Lord Jagannath Dev, Rathyatra / and Nagar Parikrama

#### Other Festivals / Puja Days (for information)

04.06.2017	Sunday	-	Sri Sri Dasahara / Sri Sri Ganga Puja
09.06.2017	Friday	-	Sri Sri Jagannath Dev's Snanyatra
15.06.2017	Thursday	-	Sharashiti Sankranti
22.06.2017	Thursday	-	Commencement of Ambubuchi
25.06.2017	Sunday	-	End of Ambubuchi

#### Puja / Festivals in July, 2017 (for Advance Information upto 15.07.2017)

01.07.2017	Saturday	Forenoon	Sri Sri Bipattarini Puja and Brata
04.07.2017	Tuesday	-	Kirtan by Hari Sabha on Ekadashi Day
08.07.2017	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja
09.07.2017	Sunday	-	Sri Sri Guru Purnima
15.07.2017	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Shoni Puja

*All are cordially invited to participate*

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**Mandir Timings in June, 2017 : Morning 8.00 A.M. to 12.30 P.M. Evening 5.00 P.M. to 10.00 P.M.**