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AN UPDATE ON SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES

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## From the Secretary's Desk

By the time this Newsletter reaches your hands, **FOUR VERY IMPORTANT EVENTS**, namely, Sri Sri Saraswati Puja, Radha-Krishna Mandir Pratistha Divas, Closing Commemoration of the Golden Jubilee Year of KMS and MEMBERS' DAY were celebrated in a befitting manner on 14/2, 21/2, 2/3 and 3/3/2024 respectively. I am really very glad to inform you that on the popular major puja Sri Sri Saraswati Puja - Bani Bandana with 'Hatey Khari' (initiation of learning of alphabets) about 75 kids, accompanied by their parents/guardians, were initiated to enable them to make good progress in his/her studies. On this auspicious Basant Panchami day, KMS made elaborate arrangements for Pushpanjali, Prasad, Bhog, Sandhya-Aarati and Cultural Programme. The Puja Mandap was tastefully and imaginatively well decorated resembling the Mahastami Day. Besides, Saraswati Puja on 14th, in the month of February, to **Commemorate the Installation of the Diety of Sri Sri Radhakrishna**, on 21st, KMS performed Abhishek and Special Pujas with Yagnas in accordance with sashtic injunctions. The Deities attired in ceremonial costumes looked magnificent attracting obeisance of devotees. Distribution of prasad on that day delighted the devotees. Further, I take this opportunity to convey our gratitude for the patronage you have shown to KMS on 2/3/2024, the **Closing date for Celebrating the Golden Jubilee of KMS 50th Year**. With your co-operation by joining in this unique festival alongwith members of your family and friends in the morning for this Special Puja, Pushpanjali and prasad / bhog and also at the very Special Evening Cultural Programme we could make this event - a memorable one. I would also like to emphasise the backbone of our Society - the members - their whole-hearted patronage, advice, suggestions make the KMS glorious. The motto of the MC is the sincere service to the devotees and members in all spheres. The August presence of Members with their spouses and guests on the **MEMBERS' DAY** - their spouse and guests galvanised a get together of festivity with arrangements of light music with snacks/ sumptuous lunch. Thus it is amply demonstrated that the MC is always on its toes to uphold the confidence shown by the benevolent members. Even though so many Pujas, Events or Celebrations always take place at different areas, but residents make it a point to visit Mandir and pay obeisance to Deities and attend various functions organised by KMS Management. KMS work towards

unleashing of youthful energy invoking Stree Shakti and Above all with your unstinted support, made all these events, a well-managed affair.

You will be glad to witness the impressive advancement of the Society: besides pujas and rituals in great abundance and improved services to devotees, **Extensive repairs and renovation in Jatriniwas (Third & Final Phase)** have commenced on the auspicious day of Radha-Krishna Mandir Pratistha Divas on Wednesday, the 21st February, 2024. In fact, the Managing Committee would continue to carry forward the momentum of progress, with the vision of building spirituality and culture leading to a philanthropic Society.

In the month of February, Radha-Krishna Mandir Pratistha Divas Puja and rituals were celebrated in Mandir by maintaining religious sanctity on 21/2/2024. Other than this Puja, in the month of February, as usual participation of devotees, arrangements for Pushpanjali and distribution of Bhog/Prasad on Special Pujas, namely, Sri Sri Ratanti Kalika Puja, Sri Sri Kalika Puja, Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja and Sri Sri Shoni Puja on 8, 9, 23 and 24/2/2024 respectively were noteworthy. Further, in the current month in our regular Puja events, namely, Sri Sri Amabasya Kalika Puja Sri Satyanarayan Puja and Sri Sri Shoni Puja falling on 9, 24 and 30/3/2024 respectively and we solicit your gracious participation of members with your family and friends. The programmes and festival details are furnished in the last page of this Newsletter.

Just to remind you, that Annual Flower Show of KMS with charming floral display comprising of colourful Dahlias, exotic varieties of seasonal flowers, Cactus etc., will be held in Mandir Complex on Shivaratri day falling on Friday, the 8th March, 2024. I would request you to participate in Flower Show Competition with your home-grown plants. On this day also on Mahashivaratri - a twenty four hour event will be held. We expect a large number of devotees from morning till next day (9/3/2024). Our main focus would be on performance of Praharpujas, devotee-service, controlled flow of devotees in Shiva Temple orderly way of offerings - ghee, honey-sugar - curds, variety of flowers and belpata to Lord Shiva and distribution of Fruit- Prasad during these two days and also Sandhya-Aarati.

Apart from Mahashivaratri, in the month of March, Kali Mandir Pratistha Divas will be celebrated on Monday, the 11th March, 2024. On that day, the Society would be performing Abhishek, Special Puja, Yagna and Kumari Puja as per the

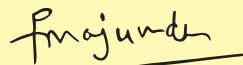
Shastric embargo. We expect that like Radhakrishna Mandir Pratistha Divas, Matri Pratistha Divasiya Puja will also attract a large number of devotees.

The remarkable achievements of the KMS during the month of February, 2024 were besides the skillful management of a number of Pujas, Celebrations, Religious Discourses and Cultural Programmes - *Showing of a Film named "Guptadhaner Sandhane" on 21/2/2024 in Movie Screen in Netaji Subhash Hall by the Movie Club.*

With immense blessings of Divine Mother and the continued support and encouragement of you have taken us through and we pledge to work for maintaining the continued growth momentum of the KMS, making it a spotlight of Religious-Socio-Cultural-Philanthropic Institution in the Capital of India. In the current year further improvement of quality of service to Devotees and pilgrims in the Jatriniwas would continue to remain one of our priority areas of action. We do hope in our arduous journey to progress, your unstinted support, weighty advice, guidance and participation in this holy task would come pouring in abundant measures to go ahead with the arduous tasks you have been so gracious to bestow on us.

May Mother Kalika showers her immense blessings on all of you.

with regards,

  
Pradip Majumdar

## FREE MEDICAL CAMP

As announced in the previous issue of Newsletter, the Free Medical Camp will be held at Kali Mandir on Sunday, 17th March, 2024 from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Needy patients may register their names at 8.30 a.m. on 17th March.

The Medical Team of KMS will be at the camp for Sugar, Oxygen level, and B.P. Tests and free Medicine as available.

The camp will be conducted by Dr. Debasish Chowdhury, Professor, Director and Head of Neurology, G.B. Pant Hospital, New Delhi for any of Neurological problems.



## ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW - 10 AM

The Annual Flower Show will be held at Kali Mandir on Friday, 8th March, 2024. Interested participants of home-grown plants (Flower, Foliage, Cacti and Bonsai are welcome.

## OBITUARY

1. **Shri Chira Ranjan Mitra** of B-390, C.R. Park, a long time Life Member left for his heavenly abode on 23rd February, 2024.
2. **Smt. Anjali Chakraborty** of D-630 left for her heavenly abode on 1st March, 2024.
3. **Sh. Ramesh Ch. Chakravarty** of E-922 left for his heavenly abode on 1st March, 2024.

Our deepest condolences to the bereaved families. We pray for their souls to rest in peace. OM SHANTI.

## ANNUAL MEMBERS' DAY

Come March and all the Life Members of KMS look forward for this bright get-together to have a relaxed Sunday basking in the bright sun shine, sipping hot coffee with mouth watering pakoras followed by a sumptuous lunch. This year it was 3rd March, 2024 Sunday. Members started dropping at 10.30 a.m. at the back lush green spruced lawn of Mandir Prangan - the rendezvous of Annual Members Day. The President, Secretary and other Office Bearers were all present at the decorated entry point and to receive the guests with a warm welcome 'NAMASKAR', and the Purohit with a plate of sandal paste to apply on each forehead. The rendezvous was aesthetically and tastefully decorated with spotless white covered chairs and sofas, small round tables for family and the guests were laid out. All the Members were affectionately directed to tea/coffee counters, where mouth watering hot, delicious and spicy pakoras were laid out on clean tables. The guests did not wish to waste any time to gulp the plates of tasty lunch.

A short cultural programme was in attendance to entertain the guests while they were busy with the lunch.

While departing, the guests thanked the President and other office bearers at the Gate for the excellent arrangements and novel idea.

## SARASWATI PUJA

ভদ্রকালৈ নমো নিত্যং সরস্বতৌ নমোঃ নমঃ  
বেদবেদান্ত বিদ্যাস্থানেভ্য এবচ।।

Saraswati Puja aka Basant Panchami has been an important and popular occasion for kids, students, musicians and we, the general public, seek Maa Saraswati's blessings.

Students community start the preparation for Basant Panchami "Goddess of Learning and Music, months ahead to celebrate this occasion in a befitting manner. In Kali Mandir Saraswati Puja was celebrated as a community puja on 14th February 2024. Amongst the dozens of pujas celebrated in Chittaranjan Park, Saraswati Puja in Mandir complex has a separate identity. The congregation of large number of students and their guardians amply demonstrated that. The initiation of learning eg alphabets popularly known as *Hatey Khari* was the most sought after ritual. It was fascinating to see the little kids carrying slate, chalk and fancy bags on their back, adorned in traditional 'Dhoti Kurta', visiting the temple holding the fingers of their parents and waiting for their turn to perform initiation of 'Hatey Khari' by our respected Priests with a deep belief that performance of 'Hatey Khari' on this suspicious day of Sri Sri Saraswati Puja, enables a child to make good progress in his/her studies. More than 75 kids participated in the 'Hathy Khari'. In the evening after sandhya Arati scintillating programme was presented by 'Nirantar Group and dance performance by 'Nakshatra' Group.



## 2ND MARCH GOLDEN JUBILEE CLOSURE CELEBRATION



## 3RD MARCH MEMBER'S DAY





# MARCH-APRIL, 2024 (Upto 14th April, 2024) PUJAS AND OTHER EVENTS IN THE MANDIR

Date	Day	Timings	Events
<b>Puja and Other Events</b>			
08.03.24	Friday	Day / Night	Sri Sri Shiva Ratri
009.03.24	Saturday	Night	Sri Sri Kalika Puja
11.03.24	Monday	Morning	Sri Sri Kali Mandir Pratistha Divas - Abhishek, Puja Home and Kumari Puja
24.03.24	Sunday	Evening	Sri Sri Satyanarayan Puja and Holika Dahan
25.03.24	Monday	Morning	Dol Purnima Dol Utsab
30.03.24	Saturday	Evening	Sri Sri Shoni Puja
08.04.2	Monday	Night	Sri Sri Kalika Puja
12.04.24	Friday	Morning/Evening	Sri Sri Neel Puja
14.04.24	Sunday	Morning/Evening	Nababarsha 1431 Bangabda 5:30 a.m. Suryapronam followed by Special Puja
<b>Other Pujas / Ritual Days &amp; Festival Days in March, 2024 (For Information)</b>			
14.03.24	Thursday	-	Sarsiti Sankranti
<b>Sankirtan on Ekadashi Days (After Evening Arati)</b>			
06.03.24	Wednesday	-	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
20.03.24	Wednesday	-	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
<b>Religious Discourses at Netaji Subhash Hall (NSH) / Sri Sri Mohan Sant Kutir (SSMSK) / Verandah of Kali Temple (VKT)</b>			
03.03.24	Sudnay	11:00 a.m. (SSMSK)	Discourse by the devotees of Sri Sri Sitaramdas Onkarnath Debji
09.03.24	Saturday	6.00 P.M. (NSH).	Discourse and Nam Kirtan by Mohanananda Devotees
10..03.24	Sunday	5.00 P.M. (NSH)	Discourse and devotional songs by Sri Sri Sarada Sangha
16.03.24	Saturday	6.00 p.m.	Discourse by Swami Sarvolokananda Maharajji, Secretary Rama Krishna Mission (Delhi)
23.03.24	Saturday	7.30 p.m. (NSH).	Satsang by Satsangee Bhatri-Bhagini Brinda
1/8/15/22 & 29.02.24	Fridays	7.00 P.M. (NSH).	KMS Religious Sessions- Current Topics - 18 Mahapurana
<b>Special Events</b>			
08.03.24	Friday	10.00 A.M.	Flower Show
<i>All are cordially invited to participate</i>			