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STAY HOME AND STAY SAFE

Dear Community members,

Over the last few weeks, I have been inundated with calls from people desperately trying to get admission into hospitals, requiring ambulances or urgent medical aid due to the prevalent second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic. The situation in Mumbai's hospitals is dire. There is a lack of beds, medicine, vaccines and now oxygen. Even space in our Parsi General Hospital is difficult to get and its medical staff is heavily overburdened. **But I have to say a Big Thank You to the Doctors and Management of Parsi General Hospital who have been doing a commendable job during this pandemic. The medical staff has been working round the clock seven days a week and deserves our gratitude.**

Today, as a community, as humans, whether we like our neighbor or not, the only priority right now is for us to come together and assist each other in whatever way possible, forgetting about all personal differences. **Today we are facing a battle for survival and at this time, we must work with each other – for each other, no matter what.**

In this time of crisis, we need to assist the hospitals and doctors by staying home and helping our neighbors who have been affected by the virus. Our doctors are overwhelmed with the number of critical cases pouring into hospitals, and hence patients who are not severe should be home quarantined. I have received calls from a few doctors and hospital administrators who have reported how dismal the situation in hospitals actually is. There are waiting lists for regular and ICU beds in every Covid-19 authorized hospital in the city. For perspective, currently there is a waiting list of over 150 in two private hospitals I enquired with a few days ago. There are no ICU beds available in any hospital and instead temporary

rooms are set up in passage-ways to aid the ill patients admitted.

I urge the youth to volunteer in whatever way they can, provided they put no one at their own home in harm's way. Colony Associations have been doing a good job in keeping the situation in check and I thank them for assisting their residents at this precarious time.

Setting up of isolation centers for people who are asymptomatic or have mild symptoms is an urgent requirement in our colonies. I had tabled this on our agenda and last week we decided that if any beneficiary required the use of a locked flat in our possession to be quarantined, the BPP would step up to help.

I urge anyone who is willing to or has the capability to help in any way (property, food, administrative and/or medical expertise, mental health counselling or financial aid), to please come forward and contact me to assist with the same.

Educating people on the various vaccines available and the need for each of them to get vaccinated is crucial to start reducing the impact of the pandemic. Senior citizens especially, being a large part of our community population, need to be well-informed of the viability, efficacy and the absolute essential need for vaccination. The Government of India has now permitted the vaccination of everyone over the age of 18 years. **Our plea to all is to please get vaccinated immediately. This is the only way we can beat the virus together.**

People who have taken the second vaccine, please remember, the vaccine doesn't prevent you getting the virus, it only helps reduce the severity of the symptoms. Hence please do not think you are immune. **Wearing of masks**



BPP Trustee Viraf D. Mehta

and hand sanitization must continue at all times regardless of whether you have been vaccinated.

A special WhatsApp group has been set up where volunteers can share their thoughts and discussions on any person who needs help of any kind during the pandemic. If you'd like to join our volunteer group do send me a message for the same. There are also a few Counsellors who are on-call for people who need to talk about their mental health in these times, which in my opinion, is a requirement for all considering the surrounding environment.

The BPP already has existing helpline numbers (+91-9004385510/+91-9930956811/+91-9867946384/+91-8369933487) on which community members can call for assistance with respect to financial, medical, basic personal care items and food. There is also an existing group of volunteers who are available to help any and all members of the community to the best of their abilities to procure basic food and medicines and personal/chemist-related requirements, especially for senior citizens, as per their need.

I am also available 24x7 to assist those who require it with availability of hospital beds, medicines or basic guidance. Of course, I cannot guarantee the availability but I will and am doing my best to ensure that every person who contacts me or our team, is given adequate assistance to the best of our capabilities.

STAY HOME AND STAY SAFE.

Regards,
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PARSI LYING IN HOSPITAL LIKELY TO COME TO COMMUNITY USE IF FUNDS AVAILABLE



Due to the relentless pressure of the BPP Trustees on the members of the Managing Committee (MC) of Parsi Lying in Hospital (PLIH), at least two of its non-political agenda members, Dinshaw Tamboly and Maneck Engineer, ex-Trustee and Architect have responded to the call of the Trustees of the BPP to put aside differences and work harmoniously to bring PLIH for community use at the earliest.

Dinshaw Tamboly, this generations best Social worker in whom not just our community but all those abroad who matter for funds have the highest credibility and faith, has assured the community of funds provided their FCNR problem is resolved at the earliest.

As the community is aware, the source of most of his funds is from abroad but due to the present pandemic lockdowns, the mandatory renewal of his FCNR registration has been delayed due to which the source of his funds is crippled and one will have to wait till his Registration is renewed. But he has realized the need of a Quarantine/ Isolation center for the Parsis and has assured all help to the community at the earliest.

To show his commitment to the cause, Dinshaw Tamboly requested his colleague MC member Maneck Engineer another member without any political agenda to visit the PLIH premises and give a rough estimate of the funds required to bring it to a useable condition after decades of disuse.

The ever obliging Maneck Engineer was requested by the board of Trustees at their Board meeting on 27th April 2021 to survey the structure and give his report. Maneck Engineer made it clear that though he was the Architect who carried out major repairs due to prosecution by BMC, yet what was required was a report from the Structural Engineer about the Structural Stability of the Hospital premises and he requested permission of the Trustees to appoint one and visit the Hospital, which was readily granted by the Trustees of BPP.

Within two days thereafter Maneck Engineer conveyed to the Trustees of the BPP that he would be taking the Structural Engineer to the site at 11 am on Friday 30th April 2021 and welcomed the Trustees to be present.

Subsequently at 11am on Friday 30th

April, Maneck Engineer accompanied by Structural Engineer Nitin Doshi, along with Managing Committee member Kersi Randeria, BPP Trustee Viraf Mehta and Ex-Chairman Dinshaw Rusi Mehta, committee member on BPP 2 unanimously appointed by the Trustees of BPP, visited the site and took a round of the full Hospital of ground plus three floors admeasuring over 21,000 sq.ft. and came to the conclusion that with repairs of the toilets and provision of enough water, the Ground and first floor of the Hospital could be utilized for the Quarantine centre once the Structural Stability Certificate is issued by the Structural Engineer and accepted by the BMC.

Nitin Doshi, the Structural Engineer, after detailed survey of the Hospital structure and the adjoining open spaces has assured the Trustees that he would report back within 8 to 10 days of the feasibility of bringing PLIH structure to a reasonably sound condition for community use and obtaining BMC approval for its use as a Covid Quarantine centre.

The first floor could house around 50 to 60 beds as an Isolation centre with adequate provision of all necessities required. The second and third floors need major repairs amounting to over Rs. 50 lakhs and once it is done another 100 additional beds could be provided.

Since the Covid Pandemic is not going to end soon we can then provide for Oxygen cylinders, ICU Beds, Ventilators, Concentrators, Ward boys, Ayahs and medicines as required. Once the pandemic ends which in our estimation will be around June 2022, then the community has to decide what is to be done with Hospital premises.

We are sure that the community members will come forward with funds required to repair the whole Hospital and bring PLIH to community use for whom it was originally meant.

ADAR POONAWALLA THE LATEST PARSI HERO OF INDIA DESERVES A SEAT IN THE RAJYA SABHA

WILL THE MODI GOVT. OBLIGE



Adar Poonawalla

Early in the pandemic, Cyrus Poonawalla, the original Founder of Serum Institute of India, warned his heir son, Adar, present Managing Director of SII, that

the quest for a COVID vaccine may be a futile affair. But he also said, **"Look, it's your money. If you want to blow it up, fine."**

Adar went all-out & put \$250m of his personal wealth behind it. The Serum Institute of India, the world's largest vaccine maker, would not be a silent spectator during a global pandemic.

Adar placed his bets on the Oxford-AstraZeneca candidate, which he would manufacture as COVISHIELD. The Astra shot would later run into a few hurdles, but it was the leader of the pack then.

Even as Trump showered grants on Big Pharma, Adar declared that Serum will independently manufacture 1 billion shots.

Serum started well. But a fire in its facility slowed down the production. Then the United States banned the export of some key vaccine components.

Now, Adar is under pressure to meet his commitments. So, he has requested the government for \$400m in grants.

A year ago, Adar had a choice - watch the pandemic from his lavish villa, or use his resources to fight it. This one-man alone has done more than what an entire govt. is capable of doing.

He must be told his country is proud of his efforts.

And it must now be ensured he doesn't have to fight alone. He deserves to

be nominated to the Rajya Sabha considering his general philanthropy to residents of Pune for its cleanliness drive.

Adar has been receiving threats to his life from some misguided sources for vaccine production leading to Govt. of India giving him Y status security cover.

He has already blown up his money on covid research. In spite thereof when he received calls for reconsideration of Covishield vaccine prices he was the first to respond positively and reduced his price from Rs. 400/ to Rs. 300/ based only on humanitarian concerns.

Parsi Junction doffs its hat to the latest Parsi hero serving the whole Indian nation and the world too!

Please all get vaccinated. Save yourself, your family and the nation.



BPP BOL

The Trustees of the Bombay Parsi Punchayat (BPP) have written to Dr. Cyrus Poonawalla and Mr. Adar Poonawalla requesting for 10,000 vaccines for the Parsi/Irani community. The BPP and the Iranian Zoroastrian Anjuman together have stepped forward to purchase these vaccines for the community.

The Trustees of the Bombay Parsi Punchayat (BPP) are writing to the Commissioner of the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) requesting for permission to hold vaccination drives in its colonies for the benefit of its residents and community members.



DR. ZULEIKA HOMAVAZIR IN FAVOR OF POSTPONING ELECTIONS RATHER THAN RISK THE HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY



Dr. Zuleika Homavazir

To
The Editor
Parsi Junction

As much as the criticism faced by the BPP Functionaries, the Majority Trustees deserve appreciation for Postponement of Elections which were to be held on 14/03/2021 & thereafter on 23/05/2021. **Had the BPP Trustees in Majority not taken this stand, a Community spread of Covid would have been inevitable.**

In retrospect, we have seen the rise in the number of deaths due to the Pandemic, with the peak number of deaths reaching 48 in the past third week of April 2021.

Dealing with human loss has never been easy especially when the dear departed family member cannot be consigned to the Tower of Silence due to death by Covid but compulsorily cremated.

Our deepest sincere condolences to the grieving families who have lost their near and

dear ones to the dreaded Pandemic. Your strengths will usher new beginnings.

The stern & successful fight of the Majority Trustees led by Mrs. Armaity Tirandaz in the Hon'ble High Court against the two Minority Trustees comprising Mr. Kersi Randeria and Mr. Noshir Dadrawala with the support and representation of Mrs. Anahita Desai, another Trustee candidate aspirant, have saved my Dear Community Members from possible infections.

It is quite interesting to read the mindset and the ulterior motives of the Minority Trustees and that of Mrs. Anahita Desai to somehow push for the Elections to take place despite the fatal compromise of lives of our Community Members.

The needless expenditure on appointing high value counsels to fight such petty disagreements between the Trustees could have been better utilized for the welfare of our Community Members. The main purpose of holding weekly meeting by the Trustees is entirely lost as Trustees cannot come to consensus and have

to contest in the Hon'ble Courts and waste much needed funds.

I was once criticized by a Critic for my fight against the BPP, whether it be for GST, Defunct Signatures of a long dead Secretary, General & Donor's Register not updated, Favours extended to the Influential few, **my fight for Tenancy to all the Leave & Licences** and above all my success in the Originating Summons granting acceptance of my Candidature for the Elections of 14/03/2021, since postponed. To enter the mud and surely come out with dignity is all that matters to me.

I firmly believe that the fate of our Dear Community Members towers above all personal grievances and as such appreciate the Goodwill created by Chairperson Armaity Tirandaz, Trustees - Viraf Mehta and Xerxes Dastur.

Truly yours,
Dr. Zuleika Homavazir
Your Partner in the Progress of Our Community

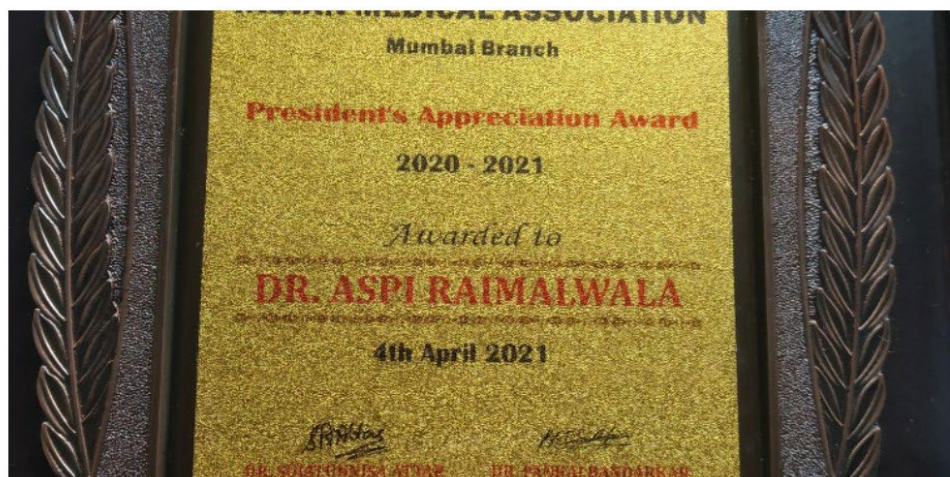
Award to Dr. Aspi Raimalwala



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Yet another feather in Dr. Aspi Navroze Raimalwala cap. Awarded President appreciation award 2020-2021 for outstanding contribution to society during pandemic on 04/04/2021 at IMA, Hajiali, Mumbai, by IMA Mumbai branch President Dr. Sujatunissa Attar in presence of National IMA President Prof. Dr. Jayalal, National General secretary Dr. Jayesh Lele, incoming President Dr. Jitesh Mehta, General Secretary IMA Maharashtra state Dr. Pankaj Banderkar and Mr. Jaswinder Narang, CEO, Viloo Poonawalla foundation, Serum Institute of India, Pune. Our heartiest **congratulations** to Dr. Raimalwala for this excellent achievement and wish him many more successes. This is the Fifth time in a row Dr. Aspi Raimalwala is Awarded such an award.





PLEASE GET PERMISSION FOR PARSI COVID VICTIMS TO AVAIL OF DOKHMENASHINI!! BPP TRUSTEES MUST RISE TO THE OCCASION

Parsi Junction has received an email from the TZML Group (Traditional Zoroastrian Mailing List) exhorting the BPP Trustees to move the Authorities/Courts in view of the increasing instances of Parsi Covid Dead being cremated and to ensure that they are consigned at Doongerwadi with full Parsi Zoroastrian ritual of Dokhmenashini.

It is not understood why the BPP Trustees alone should be the ones to move the Authorities/Courts for such relief considering that huge legal costs would be involved to get such relief when BPP itself is facing a financial crunch of not having funds to pay even their staff salary.

Why cannot the TZML Members themselves move the Courts at their costs for such reliefs! Or all the Orthodox can come together and move the Courts if they are convinced that Covid does not spread from dead bodies. Any aggrieved community member can move the Courts for such relief. As an example, Zoru Bhathena once he is convinced has moved right upto Supreme Court on any issue he takes up. Similarly any member can move the Courts and not necessarily the BPP Trustees.

Yes, all said and done the credibility of BPP Trustees moving the Courts would be a huge incentive for the whole community provided one track ungrateful persons like Viraf Kapadia, Jamshed Salamat Irani and others stop this Trustee bashing at any and all excuse that they seem to excel in as per their preconceived Agenda.

Last year the High Priests especially Jamasp Pasa, Khurshed Dastur, Phiroze Kotwal and others had informed the community that they would get experts from UK and USA as well as doctors from AIMMS, New Delhi to testify that a dead body cannot spread Covid after which the Courts are bound to allow Dokhmenashini of the Covid affected dead bodies. However their promises were just empty ones and there has been no feedback on getting testimony from such experts though almost a year has passed since then. In absence of such expert testimonials, no Court is going to take the risk of allowing Covid infected dead bodies to lie open exposed to the rays of the Sun with the added risk of crows, eagles, bats and other carrion depositing such flesh all over their flight radius.

Thus till the High Priests come out with concrete proof that Covid infection will not spread in handling dead Covid bodies, it is futile to ask the BPP Trustees to take such a stand without such proof. **The community will just have to live through this phase till such expert opinions are obtained by our High Priests.**

We give below the mail sent by TZML in keeping with our commitment to be transparent and accountable to the community as under:

“Dear BPP trustees,

as has been discussed again in a Jame Weekly article (25 April 2021 titled “Why Are We Denying Doongerwadi to Covid-19 Related Deaths” by R. Dadachanji), this matter has now become the most urgent priority for our small community. This write-up is a real eye-opener.

As it is, a lot many Parsis have passed away in 2021 due to Covid. That itself is a tragedy for the distressed families, but then not being able to perform the soul-satisfying last rites at Doongerwadi is compounding their grief.

Last year, the BPP trustees expressed their inability to do anything. Fair enough. But this year, circumstances have changed for the better by a modest degree, and hence it is the community members' heartfelt wish that the matter be re-looked into with more sympathy, enthusiasm, determination and a sense of urgency. Yes, the key factor is that BPP should not take things lying down but with sufficient brainstorming involving community stalwarts, should devise ways to counter any objections. The BMC should be approached (once again) with proper homework and with a solid legal case. Let us revisit some past objections:

1. Infection will spread in handling a dead Covid body: Scientific proof mentioning that a dead body cannot spread Covid has been in the press for quite some time.

In 1918, there was a Spanish Flu throughout the country and Bombay too. Also, there have been Bubonic plague infections in Mumbai. In all these instances, the Doongerwadi was not closed but was fully functional.

2. Infection of the nasslessars : This has been covered from many angles and all major

objections had been previously addressed. People have rightly pointed out that the nasslessars do not live in a bubble, but they move out and intermingle with other humdins and hence they could get infected in several other ways. So why single out their contact with a Covid infected body as the only possible way to catch infection, rare as it is.

In fact, there can be a solid SOP built specifying exactly how they handle any Covid victim's body. They should also be provided disposable PPE kits to wear for such cases.

Lastly the dozen or so nasslessars should be all given vaccinations on a top priority at the PGH or elsewhere.

3. BMC says cremations only: At the start, the BMC had permitted only cremation for all Covid victims, but then the Muslims and Christians lobbied for burial to be included too. The BPP too should similarly lobby for Dokhmenashini to be included. Our efforts should be strong, persistent and robust and fact-filled with the proposed SOPs explained very well.

A separate dokhma especially earmarked for Covid victims should be considered too.

We are sure that the BPP can rope in some consulting or PR firm which specializes in making such presentations to the BMC. Good lawyers, doctors like Dasturji JamaspAsa and scholar priests like Dr. R. Peer and Dr. P. Bajan too could complement their efforts. All it requires is a firm resolve and half the battle is won.

Covid is here to stay in the country for quite some time now. Today it could be an acquaintance of ours who has been a victim, but God forbid tomorrow it could be someone close to us. Hence we must look and plan in advance for our community's spiritual needs. A decent funeral ceremony in line with the teachings of the religion would not be asking too much.

We hope the new Chairperson Mrs Armaity R. Tirandaz will lead the community out of this current predicament with a touch of healing, wisdom and a firm resolve.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

TZML Admins

(tzmladmn@gmail.com)

Dated : 29 April 2021”



THE REAL TRUTH: THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE AUDIO TAPE OF JAMSHED SALAMAT IRANI OF 14TH JULY, 2018.



Phiroze Amroliwalla

In the Parsi Junction issue of April 18, 2021 titled "The Real Truth, Now and always!", I had assured the readers that I will publish the transcript of the audiotape of Mr. Jamshed Salamat Irani received by me on July 14, 2018 which he had posted on his WhatsApp group, which I now do.

It is both coincidental and ironical that I am writing on Randeria, the owner of Parsi Times, on the day when PT has completed ten years.

In April 2011 this same Randeria had lofty ideals and was against Anahita Desai's candidature on the grounds that a husband and wife cannot be on the BPP board at one and the same time.

He wanted me to stand as his candidate against Anahita and it was then revealed to me by him in Mid April 2011 that he had planned to start the Parsi Times which would preempt Jame- Jamshed as he planned to circulate it on Saturdays and would be distributed free in the community.

He promised that This paper would propagate my candidature. After ten years it is rather unfortunate that events have unfolded in a manner that I am compelled to write against this very same Randeria, DUE

TO HIS MISDEEDS AFTER COMING TO POWER.

I would also appeal to the good sense of Jamshed Salamat Irani who is rather bold and upfront when speaking up on community issues but appears to crumble after his accusations serve his own or his relatives purpose. Mr. Irani, please do not succumb under threats or pressure as this affects your credibility.

Gujarati sentences and phrases are reproduced in the English script. Whether Randeria is ashamed or not of how and what Irani says and alleges, for the sake of public decency, I have avoided printing expletives, words, and phrases that are unprintable.

This recording further substantiates my charges against Randeria and state clearly the views and allegations of Mr. Jamshed Irani with facts which he had then leveled against Kersi Randeria, **it is now clear that the undeserving Kaikhushru Irani was allotted the Contractor Baug flat, in spite of occupying the Petit charity flat in Balaram Street, by lies and deceit of Kersi Randeria to his colleagues only because of pressure of Jamshed Irani being his hum sharif and a jaatbhai though after the allotment of a flat in Palmlands, Contractor Baug to Kaikhushru Irani owner and editor of the infamous 'Pol-Khol', Jamshed Salamat Irani tried to sing a different tune!**

This is the same deal where Randeria, now we know that under pressure from Jamshed Irani because of this Audiotape, hoodwinked the board into allotting this Palmlands flat to Kaikhushru Irani, by promising a deposit of Rs.40/- lakhs which to my knowledge has still not been deposited with the BPP!

I again beseech Irani, Ghadiali and others who have like many others been victims of the sly and cunning methods of Randeria and have thus far been hoodwinked and are blind 'bhakts' of Randeria to at least now question Randeria or else by ignoring and turning a blind eye, they too will be perceived as collaborators. As Jamshed Salamat Irani ends his tape by saying "tamari dubti boat chey", you all will also drown with him.

Please remember that **this audio tape was much before the Vikram Jagdale episode of December 2019, when a non Parsi member accuses, perhaps for the first time in the history of the BPP, a sitting Parsi Punchayet Trustee of fraudulently depriving a government employee of his hard-earned money and denying Jagdale a flat after accepting 30 lakhs as a booking amount.**

Not just Jagdale but the Slum Dwellers have also been deprived of a flat since 2014 as also transit rent of nearly Rs. 10 crores for which the Slum Dwellers Society have recently moved the High Court and relief is now at last expected to be given to them.

Shamefully, when this victim Vikram Jagdale approaches the BPP board for help, what does this coward Randeria do? Instead of facing this person himself, he deposes his friend and co-trustee Dadrawala to fight his battle! And as if this was not shameful enough he then orders his trusted lady BPP employee Shernaaz Khambatta to deal with Jagdale! And Khambatta dutifully obliges though it is not a BPP-related issue, perhaps to return the favour of a 3 Cr. flat in Cusrow Baug! Is this not shameful?

A man is no man who can't fight his own battles and has to depend on not just a colleague trustee but also a woman employee of the BPP who is perhaps



obliged to Randeria for the house and job though allegedly being a Canadian Citizen! And the less said the better of his colleague who publicly claims he "has zero tolerance for the untruth" but lacks the will to demonstrate in reality.

It is to the **credit of then Chairman Yazdi Desai** who perhaps encouraged by the showdown that Amroliwalla had with Randeria, a dressing-down that Randeria must not have ever got in front of his own colleagues and BPP staff on October 22, 2019, when accompanied by Jehangir Irani, the duo had visited the board to enforce the payment of wages to the Security guards of Khan Estate, at least had the courage **to guide Jagdale to approach the then Mumbai Police Commissioner and finally get an FIR registered against Randeria.**

Many more skeletons have since tumbled out of Randeria's closet and one only needs to scrutinize the various cases that are awaiting arbitration and finality in the Mumbai High Court alone.

Now for the benefit of readers, reproduced below is the **transcript of the audio tape of Jamshed Salamat Irani of July 14, 2018, posted by him on his WhatsApp group, which has been suitably edited to maintain public decency** and to protect identities of people who may face collateral damage and who fear the wrath of Randeria:

"This is Jamshed Salamat Irani.



Jamshed Salamat Irani

A friend of mine has forwarded a WhatsApp message he has received - forwarded as received but writer's name is not there and I assume and presume it was written and forwarded by Kersi

Randeria, the Trustee of the Bombay Parsi Panchayat because he is same man who had sent the same message to Arzaan Ghadially at that time, an agent of Kersi Randeria, staying in the Godrej Baug and he had attended the office to collect some money for the repairs of his building.

At that time Kersi Randeria rang me up to say 'Mama, somebody has written something against you. Please I said why did you forward

it to Arzan Ghadially? You should have forwarded it to me with your name, but he was afraid and thought that if it is in Arzaan's name, Arzaan will get the blame as he is the agent. He is afraid. So I told him why did you not write your name he said I was trying to oblige you that somebody had given me the message. No no I know the people who have forwarded the message to you.

I know and I have mentioned the name, he used to go to my brother in law's shop and bakery and get all information from there about my brother I had said and had already told them that whatever you are writing those trustees were there, Mrs. Arnavaz..... your partner's mother, how you are related to her I really don't know people are asking. Explain to the people how you are related to Mrs.. Arnavaz, Yasmin, and all that. You have a family of yours also but you are more with these kind of people.

At the donation of ZTFI and all that you are taking out cameras and are threatening people that 'bike chaloach pelu chaloach so take care and all that nonsense'. I think you have gone mad or what, Kersi Randeria? Your upper country is gap according to me. Teh time bi mein kaheloo that you forward the mail with your name if you have the guts but when you cowards lost the election petma dukhi ayu that also through a third party of Dadar - you are sending it to people I don't care, and whatever you said that my Dilnavaz had done this and the flat was given in Khareghat Colony the Panchayat has taken the money, as your Mrs. Arnavaz how she is related to you. She is nearer and Dearest to you than the other people around according to me. I don't think your wife also must be dearer to you. Ask all those people, Yazdi Desai was there if you have the guts ask Dinshaw Mehta why you are not asking them they have taken the money and for the house in Godrej Baug

You ask the Zarthoshti Bros but he is dead and gone. Ask Jamsheed Kanga. 18000/- pound sterling was paid by Zarthoshti Bros for donor's flat keep in mind. We and our families are not beggars like you and making other people beggars at the Dadar Athornan office on the first floor to **give rice and donations to the poor people and take photographs of them. Shame on you. If you had the guts you should have written your name but you are afraid, you are a coward, you are not a man, you are worse than a mouse, but don't worry I am not going to forward that as there is no name. EK**

coward bi parvare but Kersi Randeria are worse than that.

I don't know how my nephew Behram, you took 5 lakh rupees from him and put him in the Rent. Why you did not put him in Leave and Licence? At least Dinshaw Mehta was honest that I will put him in Leave and Licence only. That lady working in your office and you give her a house what are they Khandias? All of you are Khandias! You gave her a house in Cusrow Baug which is nearly 2.5 to 3 crore rupees. **Will you tell me what connection you have with that woman?** Just because she is working or her? Which one of the two? Just clarify to the people. I am Jamshed Salamat Irani.

Kersi Randeria I am asking you all this in the open. I am breaking my vow and putting this forward to you only. **You are telling me something more will be coming about my family. If you have the guts put your name don't become a hijra of the society. There are enough Hijras in Bombay. If you want to make friendship with them make friendship with Dinshaw Mehta. He will give you lot of Hijras in Foras Road office.**

Bombay Parsi Puchayat ma kaam karwa walla ne bathane ghar apoch bijane nathi apta. Mili bhagat che badhani. Nanama letters avey, they go to Yazdi Desai only? And you as his Masters Voice tamune kharab lagech ke su. Pet ma dukhi ayu mari sachhi vaat samjine. **(Deleted) In life, you can threaten anybody but don't try to threaten me and blackmail me Kersi Randeria my Ahura Mazda, and my Sai Baba are with me. If you have any faults or any wrongdoings of mine then tell me. That also you can fabricate and manufacture against me and I will f... you in and out keep it in mind I am telling you.** You dare not try to threaten me or your chamchas in Dadar in this place and that PCA walla ne mate lakhyu tah be tara friends che ke? **You got girlfriends there also or what. Badhi bajooe rakhela che girlfriends or what do I say. Your wife knows about all these ins and outs of your karma. Does she know or does she keep away from your business? I hope.**

Talking about my son-in-law, there is divorce at every place. See that your wife does not give you a divorce. I will not curse you but see that your wife does not give you a divorce. Keep it in mind. It's high time it's high time. My son-



in-law comes to my house, takes care of my daughter, my daughter is staying there with him only. Not like tamari mafak ke sath nahi ape tene tame kick karo and **threaten them that you come to my office and I will see how you get houses when you get married and all that. You Blackmailer!! You have got dirtiness in your blood.**

By sending WhatsApp messages through your chamchas or whoever, send it but it is your write-up the same write-up that is with me. I have still got it with me same wordings, so it is you only but you are a coward, coward no.1 not to write your name. **Kersi Randeria be bold and if you really want to ask, ask Arnavaaz the lady in charge tamara partner ni mai what shall I call her to you to be.**

I don't know. I saw the videos that are being posted on WhatsApp, Arnavaaz, Arnavaaz don't say anything we will go to the court. You were driven out from court by Mr. Kathawalla when you approached the next day. You have been insulted. You are not a lawyer. Employ a lawyer and come.

Kem have hand to mouth thai gaya ke paisa nathi, havey lawyer rakhwa mate. Yazdi ne poochone. His master's voice ne pooch paisa kaha che. Litigation ne vare che, gariboni upar case karva mate paisa che. Thank god the Zarthosti Brothers have expired. I told them don't donate a pie to the Parsi General Hospital and BPP because they are all crooks. You people after taking 18000-pound sterling for a donor flat you are calling my relatives and me cheats? You people are cheats and crooks.

Inja tame ketla leedha? Arnavaaz Mistry na Bhai ni pase. He offered 50 lakhs you took 8 lakhs what happened to the 42 lakhs. You took it behind closed doors or what? Explain to the people. Give clarity to the people. What has happened to the 40 lakhs that you did not take from her brother's son who is in Godrej Baug. Answer that. You want to hide your faults, And now you are opening your mouth because I have told somebody that I have got the recordings of x....x with me where you have threatened him.

I am only waiting for the Tuesday meeting of yours what happens to Kaikhushroo Irani's flat and how you behave with x....x then I will open my mouth again. You be prepared for it. You don't tell me to be prepared. **..deleted...**

Keep it in mind. You are a person not fit to be a trustee. I made a mistake canvassing at that time for you, Zarir Bhathena, Noshir Dadrewalla, and in the end you said mention the name of Yazdi Desai. Your WhatsApp are going far and wide. You have a good voice. Have you forgotten all that Kersi Randeria?

You non-trustable Trustee. Kersi nobody can Trust you. By showing videos that you are on motorbike, accidents can occur you are threatening people that you are going to kill them. I think you have gone half-mad according to me and you will go totally mad according to divine Ahura Mazda and my Sai Baba. Change your attitude. Change your arrogance, change your hatred. You will pay through your nose. Kersi Randeria keep it in mind if you try to do anything wrong with me my Baba and Ahura Mazda are with me. I have nothing to fear.

Saru che ke mara mai baap alive nathi nahito you would have gone to Iran to find out how much we have given in Tehran. We have donated more properties than BPP in Tehran. Go to Iran and see the donations to the Anjuman., Felfeli brothers that is my fathers' family. **Tameh to BPP ni property Khai javoch needy ones na name chana vehchi levoch. Bribing BPP employees to keep their mouth shut. Telling Ronnie Patel not to open any anonymous letters, it should go directly to the chairman and chairman opens and tells to His Masters Voice Kersi Randeria to take action against whatever people.** If two people are controlling why 7 people are required. Dissolve the bloody Trusteeship. Somebody should move u/s 41D to remove the trustees. Why adult franchise system has started? **Why the merit rating system allotment has stopped? Because you people want to take profit behind closed doors. Prove that you people are not taking! Prove the way that you people are doing is the right thing. You must ask that woman to work for the BPP free as she has been given a house.**

I don't know what advantage you must have taken from Farokh Master for giving the house. What other things have you taken from Vada Dasturji in the Minority Commission? Kersi Randeria explain to the people concerned. I am asking you in the open and not through chamchas. I am my own His Masters Voice. My voice is my voice only not somebody else's voice. And

let me tell you, you are a coward and a Hijra no.1 .

That day you had warned me two or three months ago that Jamshed mama I will dig into your affairs and you did it but you never put your name and forward it to me. If you want to write as the BPP Trustees, Ask your Arnavaaz Mistry was there as a Trustee as her how much money she made with the help of Dinshaw Mehta and all that. Ask Anahita Desai the money 65 lakhs that Dinshaw Mehta wasted in saving these people's skin. Ask them, what you are asking me where the corruption is.

You forget the time that I had taken you people on my behalf to Rajeev Bajaj you and the gang to Sahara Samay, Mumbai. Why don't you forward that video where Jamshed Salamat Irani is sitting there with Rajeev Bajaj in front and asking questions. Now they have become your friends? Su khavaryu pivaryu? Ketlu settlement thayuch under the table and over the table. Kersi Randeria that you are keeping your mouth shut and licking these peoples a...? **The way you are employing women folks in your BPP, people are understanding and passing remarks. I am ashamed and I am ashamed and I will not be a coward and Hijra like you to pass on without name to anybody. You try to understand what people must be saying about you. Now you open up your mouth more on Tuesday, and let me see what you do about Kaikhushroo Irani on Tuesday and x....x and then I will open up my mouth and the recordings will be out in the market.**

You take care and don't tell me to take care.

Samajune tamari dubti boat che because Anahita did not come that's why you are losing temper on me and other people. You are a coward of the first grade. All the best."

For the information of readers, the original audiotape of Jamshed Salamat Irani can be acquired from Parsi Junction to whom I have given a copy by sending your request on their Whatsapp number. Please remember that Randeria is not the only one who is familiar and used to recording etc. Others too are well versed! And to those who fear Randeria, please shed your fear, cowards are gutless people. And yes I still use two-wheelers!

Phiroze Amroliwalla



HOW IRANSHAH WAS BROUGHT FROM VANSDA TO NAVSARI TO UDVADA AND THE HARDSHIPS FACED

- Translated By Minoo Irani from the Article 'Rahe Rasti' by Mahrukh Adajania



We all know the history of the Parsis coming from Iran, to Diu & finally settling in Sanjan & the Iranshah consecrated there. Then due to the capture of Sanjan by Mahmood Beghda, Iranshah was taken away from Sanjan to Bahrot caves. After about 12 years, the danger of enemy attack receded. Therefore, they selected a hill near Vansda called 'Ajmalghad' around 'Vasudevpur' in Vansda where a Rajput King ruled. It is recorded that before coming to Vansda, the Parsis had rescued the family members of 'Jadirana' King of Sanjan who were hiding in 'Ghambhirghat' & brought them safely to Vansda. Thus fulfilling the promise given to Jadirana hundreds of years ago ~ "Hum Hindustan Raa Yaar Basim" Meaning, 'We will remain friends of Hindustan'.

After the Iranshah was brought to Vansda, Parsis from near and far began coming to Vansda for paying homage to Iranshah. In those days, 'Mah Adar' 'Roj Adar' used to fall during rainy season therefore the Parsis had to face many difficulties for going to Vansda. Parsis from Navsari also used to come for offering sandalwood and worshiping Iranshah.

A prominent religious minded behdin by name 'Changa-Bin-Asha', used to visit regularly. He would help the poor of the community and do many other meritorious deeds. He expressed his mind before 'Navsari Anjuman' of bringing Iranshah from Vansda and settling him in Navsari. All welcomed the idea. After 14 years of staying in Vansda, Shriji was installed in a small permanent building in Navsari. Changa Asha accomplished this job with great pomp and circumstance. Sanjana priests and their ancestors have not forgotten this favour. During the liturgical ceremonies performed, along with the names of ancient Kings and Warriors of Peshdadian, Kyan and Sassanian dynasties they recite 'Behdin Changa, Behdin Asha' and fulfill their duty.

After spending 313 years in ease and comfort in Navsari a very unfortunate dispute arose between 'Bhagaria' priests of Navsari and 'Sanjana' priests regarding performing religious ceremonies. Sanjanas themselves used to perform the ceremonies of their dead family members since beginning. The 'Bhagarias' were of the opinion that in Navsari

it was their right to perform ceremonies of the dead 'Sanjanas'.

The dispute took an ugly turn. Moreover, some of 'Sanjana' priests whose surname was 'Shamra' separated from Sanjanas and began harassing them. This dispute went on for years. The matter went to court and there was disorder.

In 1733 A.D., the wandering tribes of dacoits called 'Pindhari' began marauding Navsari. Therefore, it became necessary to shift Iranshah to Surat. After 3 years in 1736, Shriji was brought back to Navsari, but the dispute continued. Ultimately, it became difficult to stay in Navsari. The Sanjanas took permission from the government and they left Navsari carrying Iranshah with them. They also had to leave behind their homes, costly books, household articles etc.

SHRIJI PAAK IRANSHAH'S JOURNEY FROM NAVSARI TO UDVADA

There were 3 head priests of Sanjana clan – 1. Dastoorji Nagan Ram. 2. Dastoorji Khurshed Kamdin. 3. Dastoorji China Shahiyar. They had played a leading role in taking Iranshah from Navsari to Valsad and Valsad to Udvada. Their heirs were known by 'Dastoor' surname. Each Dastoorji had three sons, therefore custom of 'nine families' started. Even today, this custom is prevalent amongst the Sanjana priests who do 'Boi' ceremony at Iranshah.

Therefore, under the leadership of these chief Dastooris, Iranshah was brought to Valsad after an arduous journey on Spendarmad Mah - Roj Jamyad in Year. Yz. 1109; Because in Valsad the Sanjanas already had established their clientele for performing religious ceremonies. As the Dastooris were of Sanjana clan, the priests and the Parsis of Valsad were very happy. Iranshah was installed in 'Chinai' Dar-e-Meher of Valsad after performing full and proper ceremonies.

Even after coming to Valsad, Fardoon and Shapurji - Shamra who were still in Navsari continued to harass the Sanjanas. They demanded their share of money without performing 'Boi' ceremony on Iranshah. Truly speaking only a priest who has undergone 'Barshnoom' ritual can perform 'Boi' on



Iranshah, but an unnecessary cause for quarrel was created.

The matter was taken to Subedar's office who gave decision in favour of 'Shamras'. For not giving them their share, Sanjanas were fined Rs. 500 as fine, Rs. 50 as tax and Rs. 2000 as surety (money of those days). Shri Kedarji Gaikwad ordered these sums to be paid. Helpless Sanjanas pawned their homes, took bail, and paid the amounts. In this way in spite of facing several difficulties, they continued to serve the holy Iranshah with full faith and fervor.

Dear readers this was a time of crisis for us, but Shriji's caretakers had extraordinary courage and sense of service. Leadership of Dastoorji Bhikhaji Rustomji and Dastoorji Rustomji Sheheriarji was exceptional! Shamra and their colleagues took possession of Sanjana's homes and properties. They were forcefully taking away the income of religious ceremonies performed by Sanjanas. The description of their disappointment is found in an article of 25-7-1752 - "We are giving these facts so that people may know what has befallen us and we may get justice from somebody. Today we are weak but one day Shriji will give us justice. We have faith and courage on Shriji".

Plans began to take Iranshah back to Navsari from Valsad. When obstacles caused by opposition crossed all limits, and it became difficult to stay, then it was decided to leave Valsad immediately at night. By observing all rules of purity, one night in pitch darkness, they reached 'Parda' river outside Valsad. They had thought of going to Udvada village because there too lived priests of their clan. Due to rains, the river was in spate and water was flowing above danger line. But for the sake of protecting Shri Ji and saving peacefully the precious heritage, the Dastoors without caring for their lives were ready to sacrifice everything. Just as sandalwood gives fragrance when rubbed and gold shines when heated, in the same way in spite of troubles befalling them, their devotion on Iranshah increased and their faith on religion became firmer.

Everyone performed Padyab-Kusti ritual and started reciting Maanthra revering Avan Ardisur Banu and prayed for success in their good intention. In a short while the waters of the river receded as if Avan Ardisur provided way for crossing the river safely. Four strong Priests were carefully carrying

covered throne of Padshah Saheb. Later on, they informed that: "While crossing the river we did not feel the burden of Padshah's throne as if someone had lifted the weight from our shoulders."

On the other hand, the opposition came to know that they wanted to leave Valsad during the night. They sent unruly elements after them to beat them with sticks. By the time they reached 'Parda' river, the water had arisen once again and the Sanjanas had crossed the river, thanking God and reciting prayers of thanksgiving! 2-3 Ruffians gathering courage entered the river but were swept away by the swift currents. Avan Yazad had adopted a really frightful form.

The ruffians engaged by the opposition had to return. The Sanjana priests carrying Iranshah safely reached Udvada. A few priests and behdins were residing in this small village. They were engaged in farming. Iranshah was installed with honour in the home of Mehernosh Hormuzd Bhathela a descendant of Dastoor Nagan - Ram. Due to good luck of Parsis, it must have been a very auspicious time because till today our Shenshah's throne is in Udvada. At that time, Udvada was known as 'Untvada', because the camels belonging to the ruler of Mandvi used to graze there. There was small hill on which was the king's palace 'Medi' where the king would stay sometimes. Even today, this place is known as 'Medivaada'.

Earlier Udvada and surrounding villages were under 'Dharampur' kingdom. Thereafter the British captured it and later on Marathas- Peshvas ruled over it. In the year, 1731 A.D. Peshva Pilajirao Gaikvad captured 'Mandvi'. The ruler of 'Mandvi' Raja Durjansinh had lost in the battle. But in spite of that, he had helped Gaikvad in certain matters. Therefore, Gaikvad made a treaty with him and handed over 'Pardi', 'Sontalvada', 'Umarsadi' and 'Udvada' to him. Ultimately because of goodwill and bravery of Durjansinh, the kingdom of Mandvi was returned to him. When the Parsis came to Udvada with 'Iranshah', Udvada was under the ruler ship of Durjansinh the king of Mandvi. Moreover, there was large Parsi population there.

It is said that before Shriji was brought to Udvada there existed a Dokhma there. In those days, Parsis found it difficult to consign the dead bodies by carrying it to Valsad. The authorities agreed to build the

Dokhma, but the spirited Parsis requested to exempt them from tax for 2 years. They erected the Dokhma from contribution made by everybody. Thus before 'Iranshah' came to Udvada there existed the Dokhma. When the Dokhma was consecrated by Dastoorji Darab Hormuzd, the early Parsi residents had surnames - Kadvana, Kotkotia, Bachana, Kumana, Pesina etc. Many families of priests and Parsis were residing there in peace and comfort.

We have seen the heart rendering writing by the Sanjana priests. After coming to Udvada, Iranshah delivered justice. An event took place weakening the strength of 'Shamra' priests. It so happened that Shapurji Shamra, who had initiated the dispute and caused enmity, died. Automatically the matter met a natural end and there was peace. The Sanjana priests who had settled in Udvada once again thought of shifting to Valsad or Sanjan. They had even obtained written permission from the government. But Iranshah was destined to stay in Udvada village. Therefore, all efforts came to naught. There was no difficulty in Udvada, things were peaceful, therefore it was finally decided to settle Shri Ji there.

After some time Seth Minocheher Bomanji of Nargol had built a small structure for Shriji in the same place as the fire temple stands today. Thereafter in 1770 A.D, Seth Bhikhaji Edulji of Surat began constructing a big structure, but the expenses exceeded than expected. After the funds were over, he sold his wife's ornaments and completed the work. Thereafter Seth Jamshedji Guzdar and after him Seth Muncherji Wadia, repaired this structure. Finally in 1896 A.D. Bai Motlibai Maneckji Wadia got constructed the present Atash Behram with all conveniences and facilities. In this way, Shriji Paak Iranshah has been standing since last 250 years in the present place.

In 1830 A.D. Seth Pestonji Mody got constructed a new Dokhma in Udvada. Seeing the good work done by the Parsis of that time, Maharana Hamirsinhji of Mandvi gifted a big piece of land with hill to Samast Anjuman of Udvada. In 1891 A.D. Sir Dinshah Petit got constructed a 'Dar-e-Meher' next to the main fire temple. In this way as the Parsis became self-sufficient, the condition of Udvada village began to improve. Sardar Damanwalla Dispensary and Damanwalla Madresa was constructed. The members of Anjuman were conscientious in their service



towards Iranshah. The clouds of misfortune scattered. Jarthosti community shone in the lustre of revered Shriji Iranshah. Till today, we are getting the benefit of His light.

Dear readers Sanjanas suffered the most during the troubled years. The manner in which these priests stood in service of Iranshah by observing religious rituals of purity during the chaotic times is noteworthy. It is worthy of praise but they have to be saluted for their self-sacrifice. Kiskey-Sanjan takes a note of a Dastoor of that time who was like a ray of light. His name was 'Khushmasta'.

Thereafter as mentioned earlier, there were 3 main Dastoors of Sanjana Clan - Dastoor Naganram, Dastoor Khurshed Kamdin and Dastoor Chaia Shahiyar - Each Had 3 Sons Hence the 9 families were formed from them. They have different surnames but

they are all members of the 9 families. (1) Andhiarujina (2) Magol-Katila (3) Chaarna - Patel (4) Unvala - Gonda (5) Dastur (6) Mirza-Makujina-Bharda (7) Bhadha (8) Bhajina (9) Sidhwa. The society of these 9 families is known as 'Athornan Anjuman'. The behdins of Udvada are called 'Behdin Anjuman'; and both together are known as 'Samast Anjuman'.

In the year Y.Z 1312, 200 years were complete of establishing Iranshah in Udvada. Therefore, on 9 - 11 - 1942, it was decided to hold a festival a week prior to this date. This date coincidentally fell on the same day as Hindu festival of Diwali and New Year! A grand celebration was held on that day. Thanksgiving Jashans were performed, community flag was hoisted, dinners and Gahambars were held. Devotees from far and near had come to bow before Iranshah. A procession went to the house

of Erv. Kersasp Cowasji Katila. This house is still standing in Mirza Street in its original condition. Iranshah was first Brought to this house in Udvada. A history of Iranshah was narrated in this function. Necessity of fire-worship was explained. A famous Hindu singer of devotional songs by the name of 'Raawal Chhaganlal' presented a song on Iranshah. The ladies sung a song composed by poet Ardeshir Khabardar.

Erv. Bhathela's house was decorated and songs in praise of 'fire' were sung. Devotion towards Iranshah increased. Even today, this blessed house of Bhathela is being taken care of by a family. In this way, the journey of Iranshah was completed from Sanjan to Udvada. To our good fortune, His throne in Udvada is guiding the community.

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Adv Daruvala, Mah's 1st boxer to attend India camp, no more



ADVOCATE Rayomand Daruvala

ADVOCATE Rayomand Daruvala, the man who put Nagpur and Maharashtra on the national boxing map, passed away on Wednesday. He was 52. A resident of Anjuman Apartment, Parsi Colony, Opposite Gandhi Sagar, Daruvala is survived by his wife, two daughters and his brother. Daruvala was the first boxer from Nagpur and Maharashtra to get selected for the senior Indian camp held at Bangalore for the Afro-India boxing championship. Though he could not make the cut, Daruvala, impressed



Sports enthusiasts play a volleyball-like game at a city ground on Wednesday evening. (Pic by Anil Futane)

all by his skills and agility at the camp.

A tall and heavily built Daruvala was exactly opposite of his physical structure. According to Arun Bute, Secretary, Nagpur City Boxing Association. Daruvala was calm and a very simple person with a helpful nature. Daruvala did his studies at JN Tata Parsi School and at SFS School in Sadar. He completed his graduation from GS College of Commerce and Arts. While in college, Daruvala was introduced to Bharat Vyayam

Shala in Chitnis Park along with his friends Poras Kotwal and Khushru Pocha. Taking training under Kaka Paranjpe, Daruvala, a disciplined boxer, participated in the Western India Boxing Championship in 1985-86. During the competition, Indian Amateur Boxing Association President Aspi Adjanja got impressed with Daruvala's style and skill and picked him for the Indian camp for the Afro-India boxing championship.

The camp was held in Bangalore. Daruvala's selection for the India camp made news as he was the only civilian among the other boxers who all were from Services, recalled Bute. Later, Daruvala was elected as the Secretary of Vidarbha Amateur Boxing Association. Sunil Joshi was the President. Daruvala also performed the duties of Organising Secretary and Treasurer of Nagpur District Boxing Association apart from being a referee. Secretary of Nagpur District Boxing Association Poras Kotwal and others paid tributes to the departed soul.

શાંત

ડરતો નહીં, સારું હોય છે એકાંત

રાખજે તારું તન મન શીતળ અને શાંત.

લઈ ઈશ્વરનું નામ, માંગજે બધાનું સુખ

સૌ મંગલ થાય જો એમનું નામ હોય આપણો મુખ.

Armin Dutia Motashaw

બસ, હવે બંધ કર આં મોતનું તાંડવ: નૃત્ય

ભલે કીધાં હોય અમુક લોકોએ દુષ્ટત્ય

તારું દિલ તો છે નરમ, કોમળ અને સાફ

દંડ ભુલીજા, ભુલી જા આપવાનો ઇન્સાફ;

હવે બંધ કર આં સંહાર, કરી દે માનવઓ ને માફ

નહીં તો આખી દુનિયા થઈ જશે સાફ

Armin Dutia Motashaw

SMILE

Flash a sweet smile, take it will, the receiver ahead, by a mile

When you smile, through your lips, let also, your eyes smile.

A relation new will start; create one can, an absolutely new file

For a person sad or depressed, be it will, a lease of fresh air.

To the elderly, bring back it will, lost willpower, when a smile you share.

Beat fast will hearts of men, when smiles a maiden fair.

BUT THE BEST SMILE IS A
TOOTHLESS ONE, FROM A CHILD.
SOOOOOO, PLEASE PUT ON
YOUR INNOCENT SMILE

Armin Dutia Motashaw

PAST

Oh my heart,

Take me very easily n often, you do into the past

Slide there easily I do, and many times, pretty fast

For, to re-live those golden days wonderful, is a blast !

Wish often I do, to them into fine toys or idols cast

And hope I do, these days, for ever would last.

Oh that closeness with friends, in this world so vast

Those innocent chats, peals of laughter should long last.

Most of us enjoy, love, n wish to live in our golden past.

That loving, caring, filled with memories, past.

Armin Dutia Motashaw



COVID HELPLINE

The **BPP Bombay Parsi Punchayet** is back again to help needy beneficiaries during the present lockdown. As you may be aware, currently most of the necessary items are available for everyone. This Helpline is catered towards those distressed beneficiaries who cannot manage by themselves either due to old age, physical disability, sickness or financial troubles.





BEHRAM YAZAD JASHAN

"He who heals by means of reciting the Mānthra (is) the best amongst (all) the healers." - Ardibehesht Yasht para 6

A Behram Yazad Jashan will be performed at the ZAC Atashkadeh/Agiary to receive a divine intervention on Behram roj, Sunday 2nd May at 7:30 PM, IST CA time 7:00 AM

This Behram Yazad Jashan is performed to achieve Victory over the virus in India and to bring about Health, Strength, Wealth, Longevity, and Happiness amongst our community members and all human beings.

Please participate in this Jashan, Humbandagi, and a brief talk to bring the powerful vibrations of our prayers into your homes by clicking on the following Zoom link

Topic: Behram Yazad Jashan to Achieve Victory over the virus in India & to Bring about Good Times
Time: Sunday, May 2, 2021, 07:30 PM IST. California time 7:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87678537350?pwd=dWhPeDBwUkFBdjdPMFo0UCsreGxzQT09>

Meeting ID: 876 7853 7350

Passcode: prayers

Please share it with your family and friends and post it on all Zoroastrian groups

One Life, One Destiny

Actions are the seeds of fate,
deeds grow into Destiny (Harry
S Truman)

It has been said :

"That a cat

Has nine lives"

Whereas humans

Have only one

So use it wisely

Live it well while

We are on this earth

They also state:

In our hands

We carve our

Own destiny

As well Fate"

Which gets inscribed

In our own little book when

We exit the "heavenly gates"

Fate is what you are given

Destiny is what you make

Out of it

Cause I am the master of my
Fate

Captain of my destiny

Please stay focused

In what you do

Don't veer of course

It's gonna benefit noone

Except you

We are living in

A world charged

With Hatred Racism

Discrimination and

Bigotry

Reason being

Rumours are carried by Haters

Spread by fools

Accepted by idiots

if we all use our

Power of Reasoning

We can make a difference

For all of humanity

Choicest Blessings

Farida

Please stay well and keep safe

Violence against Women

Violence in any shape
Or form is unacceptable

Be it physical mental

or psychological

Against a man or a woman

Violence originates when
Rumours are carried by Haters

Spread by fools

Accepted by idiots

As I have stated before
God could not be present
Everywhere so He made
Mothers

Women should be
Respected treated with
Love dignity as well
understanding

Including with humility

No matter what colour

Caste or creed

Shape or form

They are not a

Mound of clay

To raped abused maimed
In anyway

To be a woman

Is not a crime

They work their

Fingers to the bone

From sunrise to sunset

Taking care of

Their precious cargo

Women are on

The same playing field

At same time

Nobody has monopoly

Over wisdom

Lastly I may add
Violence against women
is not a very wise move
A woman has her wiles
She can bring you down
Or make you smile

'Cause:

Women hold the key to
Our civilization

Choicest Happiness
Farida

Photography

Tiger's Nest



Having seen countless pictures of the Paro Taktsang, popularly known as Tiger's Nest in Bhutan we were disappointed when we started our trek in the morning. It was raining and misty and we couldn't see it even after having reached the café that is located halfway to the monastery. Though frustrated, we continued undaunted and the fog began to clear (on the left). The weather Gods decided to be kind on our way back and we were rewarded with this fantastic view giving us a chance to appreciate and wonder how such a majestic monument was constructed in such difficult terrain (on the right).



Ruby B. Aderbad

Ruby B. Aderbad works with an **MNC** in Mumbai and is an avid traveler who likes to digitally capture memories. She quotes that traveling is her drug of choice and is happily addicted to it. The mountains and jungles are her go-to places to detoxify, anything that connects her with nature.




Challenges faced by full time practicing Parsi Priests

in conversation with Binaifer Sahukar

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Challenges faced by full time Practicing Parsi Priests

Jiyo Parsi invites the community to witness the narrative of our priests. The Empowering Mobeds programme aims to develop priests as leaders, counsellors and teachers. Resilience is built in the DNA of a Zoroastrian priest by virtue of performance of liturgical ceremonies. Their courage has been amply displayed through the tough pandemic. The positive outcome of lockdown has been uniting priests and behdins on digital platforms, a first in the history of our community.



Fashion Tips

How to dress for your body shape- Part 5



Kash Pitha

In my previous article, we discussed a rectangular body shape and how we could counter your rectangular silhouette to make it look ideal, balanced and attractive. Today, we shall discuss about the Hourglass body shape.

This shape is usually only seen in women. Women having this shape have a larger bust and possibly shoulders, a small waist compared to the upper and lower body and larger hips and buttocks. Though the body appears balanced but there is extra emphasis on the full rounded bust, hips and buttocks.

Clothing styles for females:

I know we have heard that an hourglass figure is an ideal body shape but it's not. Think of Kim Kardashian. Her body shape is far beyond ideal. A fitting example of an hour glass body shape. Being a celebrity, she likes the emphasis. But we need to dress according to our role, goal and objectives. We have to try and bring attention back up to our face.

- Fitted and structured tops look naturally great, but not too tight.
- Tops that fall over the bust work really well.
- Avoid detailing or large prints around the bust or hips.
- Scoop necks, V neck tops look great
- Fit and flare dresses or sheath dresses or surplice dresses accentuate your waist without laying emphasis on your bust or hips.
- Wide legged, flared, high waisted pants or jeans are recommended for this body shape.
- Layering is a great technique for an hourglass shaped body.
- Avoid wearing turtle necks or high necks as the bust area may appear to be larger.



Dresses that work for figure of eight



Straight over hips and flares just below knee

Draping fabric creates a straight skirt; avoid A line skirt as it will make you look bigger

Tapered skirt with waist emphasis

Fitted dress with ruching & vertical detail

Peplum style bodice disguises high shelf-like hip

Fitted



Wrap/crossover



Peplum





Fashion Tips

Fitted*Belted**Safari**Peplum**Fitted**Wrap**Belted double breasted**Shaped**Mysteries of Style*

- Belts are your best friends.
- Dresses that fall straight over the hips and flare at the bottom.
- You can experiment with dresses and tops with detailing around the waist area.
- Avoid very large prints.
- If you are comfortable with emphasizing your hips skinny jeans can also be an option.
- Avoid voluminous pockets, embellishments, ruffles and pleats around the hips.
- Avoid low waisted bottoms as they can add bulk to your hips.
- If you want to downplay your curves, go for darker colors and vertical stripes.
- Go for a fitted style for jackets and coats.

Knowing your body type will help you to get the best out of your clothing. You would also need to know whether you are high or low waisted.

Kash Pitha

To get the best recommendations and styles suitable for your body type get in touch with me on
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The dead cannot cry out for justice. It is the duty of the living to do so for them

Lois McMaster Bujold

How many innocent
Lives have been lost?
Wonder how many
How many we will lose?
Because of ignorance
As Dalai Lama once
stated:

"Where ignorance is our Master
There is no possibility of real peace"
Including Justice

Why do we look
Down upon people
Because of the colour
Of their skin or is it
Their caste ideologies
Or religion?

Nobody is superior
Or Inferior
We are all equal
On the same playing field
No matter what colour caste
Of that matter creed

With the wealth of
Information out there
If we can make an effort
Humanity can educate
As well eradicate
Racism Discrimination
Violence as well Hate
Choicest Happiness

Farida
Stay safe and well