

Pt Nardevji Vedelankar
Founder



Hindi Shiksha Sangh Posthumously Honours its Honorary Presidents

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(HR) Maharajh



The late Pandit H R Maharajh was a man of many talents, He was primarily an educator, having served the Dept. of Education in various roles, up to his retirement as school Principal. He was the consummate professional, especially in his professional life. In his personal life he had a keen sense of humour that endeared him to all he met. In addition, he was highly principled in all his engagements.

He served the Hindi Shiksha Sangh with a deep sense of commitment to the Hindi language. Together with his siblings, he was an ardent Hindi Activist. He served the Hindi Shiksha Sangh in the following capacities:

- Grassroots Hindi School teacher – in Durban as well as other parts of KZN during his various appointments at schools as an Educator
- Involved in the Eisteddfod movement for over 3 decades
- Served as Jt. Secretary to the Sangh during Pt Nardevji's tenure as President
- Co-authored "Hindi Made Easy" Part 1 with Pt Nardevji
- Contributed extensively to the Hindi Syllabi when the KZN Dept. of Education introduced Hindi in the normal school curriculum in the 1980s
- Appointed Hindi Examination's Commissioner, South Africa – by the Rashtra Basha Prachaar Simiti – Wardha, India
- Bestowed the Sangh Ratna Award by the Hindi Shiksha Sangh in 1984
- Acknowledged for his services to the Sangh by being appointed Honorary President

Pt H R Maharajh was dedicated family person and his legacy, in so far as his involvement with the Sangh and the promotion of Hindi is concerned, continues, as his children are very involved in various elements of the Hindi Shiksha Sangh's work.

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Coronavirus Pandemic

WHAT IS IT

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a new virus. The disease causes respiratory illness (like the flu) with symptoms such as a cough, fever, and in more severe cases, difficulty breathing.

HOW IT SPREADS

Coronavirus disease spreads primarily through contact with an infected person when they cough or sneeze. It also spreads when a person touches a surface or object that has the virus on it, then touches their eyes, nose, or mouth.

WHAT TO DO

Maintain social distancing and practise good hygiene as set out by the World Health Organisation (WHO) in conjunction with your local government laws set out.

- ★ Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.
- ★ Practise and maintain social distancing
Keep at least one metre of distance between yourself and a person who is coughing or sneezing.
- ★ Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Once your hands are contaminated, the virus can be transferred through your eyes, nose or mouth where it enters your body.
- ★ Don't cough or sneeze into your hands. Cover your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Don't forget to throw away the tissue immediately.



ਸ੍ਰੀ ਰਾਜਕੋਮਰ ਮਠਾਬੀਕ : Sri Rajcoomar Mathabeek
(Bobby) Mahabeer

Sri Bobby Mahabeer was born in Seaview on 23 October 1934, the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Mathabeek Mahabeer. He was educated at Sastri College, and upon the early demise of his father, took over the reins of the family business. At the age of 18 years, he shouldered the responsibility for the well-being of his widowed mother, and the education of his young brothers and sisters who were still at school.

Together with his brothers Dayanand and Inderjeet Mahabeer, he grew The Mahbrite Furniture factory to become a household name in South Africa. Mahbrite Furniture Factory grew prolifically over the next decades, and the brothers supplied many retail outlets in Durban like Russell's Furnishers and The Beare Brothers Group. Sri Bobby Mahabeer established close relationships with business colleagues such as Mr Kasipersad Pattundeen of Palm Footwear who was closely linked with the Hindi Shiksha Sangh. The success of his business allowed him to share his expertise and influence with many civic and welfare organisations, including the Hindi Shiksha Sangh. He was roped into the Fund-Raising Committee of the Sangh when the property at 30 Oak Ave was purchased and building commenced. As chairman of the committee he and his team were tasked to raise the funds to erect the building.



Son: Sri Naren and daughters Srm. Sandhya, Srm. Shamin and Srm. Indira Singh receiving the commemorative plaq from Sri Manoj Dhanilal

Sanathan Dharma Sabha holds its Annual Priest Graduation Ceremony

The Sanathan Dharma Sabha holds priests' classes. The study programme is designed for three years with theory and practical subjects for examination purposes. The interesting factor about this study is that **Hindi study at Pravesh level is the pre-requisite** for a candidate to enrol for the study. Hence, we find that many students who have studied through the Hindi Shiksha Sangh's study programme enrol for this priest course. The course is offered to prospective students throughout the country. Many students are mainly from the Durban and Gauteng areas.

The third-year students graduating as priests has benefitted from the programme and are serving their respective communities in religious and cultural work. Many of them are called upon to perform "karmakand" according to the "Pauranic Vidhi". This has helped bridge the shortage of priests in the community. These priests render qualified assistance and advice to yajmans and help them through their prayer requirements

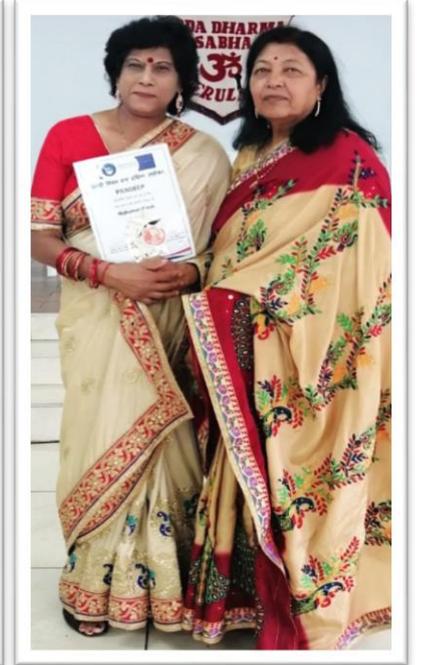


Centre: Advocate Ashwin Trikamjee (President of South African Hindu Maha Sabha)

Veda Dharma Sabha - Verulam Hindi Patshala

The Hindi Patshala of Veda Dharma Sabha – Verulam held their Annual Awards Day on February 23, 2020 at their Veda Dharma Sabha Hall in Verulam. Three of their students ranked in the top 10 in the Hindi Shiksha Sangh – Annual Hindi Examination in 2019. Their Hindi teacher is Pandita Yyotika Niranjn.

The pictures below are students at the school...



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Hindi Shiksha Sangh study programme goes Online

The prevailing situation in the country and the world has engaged people to find alternate ways of continuing with the work or business. Similarly, the Sangh had to quickly adapt to Online Teaching Programme to continue its students to study at home. Hence, assisting all students to work on their own, with their textbooks and grammar work.

The Sangh went on "Online Study Programme. Hindi teachers with the Sangh's fold were call into assist with preparing lessons from the prescribed textbook and guide student through their lesson at home. This medium has caught on with students as it helps them to be on their study rather than waiting for the uplifting the "lockdown" situation we are in. Also, saves them the number of weeks lost through the "lockdown. The Sangh thanks its teachers: Pandit Mahendra Daya, Srm. Malthi Ramballi, Shri Rajish Lutchman, Shrm. Adhithi Maharajh, Shrm. Shamla Dukhan and Shr. Devika Madaree for sparing their valuable time to assist with this online study programme.



Pandit Mahendra Dayal



Shrm Malthi Ramballi



Shri Rajish Lutchman



Shrm Adhithi Maharajh



Shrm Shamla Dukhan



Shrm Devika Madaree

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A trip down memory lane...

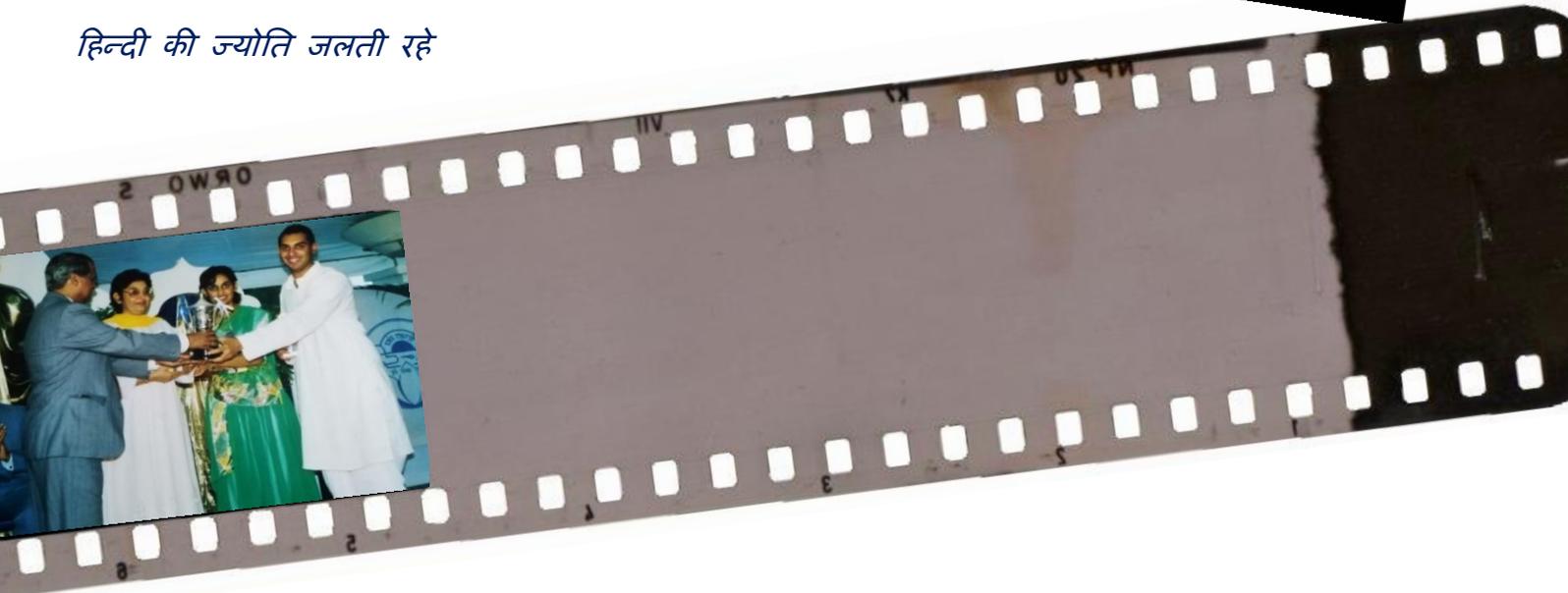
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Renowned Hindi Poets and Writers....

Revered Jaishankarji Prasad



कामायनी, जयशंकर

ओ चिंता की पहली रेखा, अरी विश्व-वन की व्याली,
ज्वालामुखी स्फोट के भीषण, प्रथम कंप-सी मतवाली।

हे अभाव की चपल बालिके, री ललाट की खलखेला
हरी-भरी-सी दौड़-धूप, ओ जल-माया की चल-रेखा।

इस ग्रहकक्षा की हलचल- री तरल गरल की लघु-लहरी,
जरा अमर-जीवन की, और न कुछ सुनने वाली, बहरी।

अरी व्याधि की सूत्र-धारिणी- अरी आधि, मधुमय
अभिशाप
हृदय-गगन में धूमकेतु-सी, पुण्य-सृष्टि में सुंदर पाप।

मनन करावेगी तू कितना? उस निश्चित जाति का जीव
अमर मरेगा क्या? तू कितनी गहरी डाल रही है नींव।

आह घिरेगी हृदय-लहलहे, खेतों पर करका-घन-सी,
छिपी रहेगी अंतरतम में, सब के तू निगूठ धन-सी
जयशंकर प्रसाद

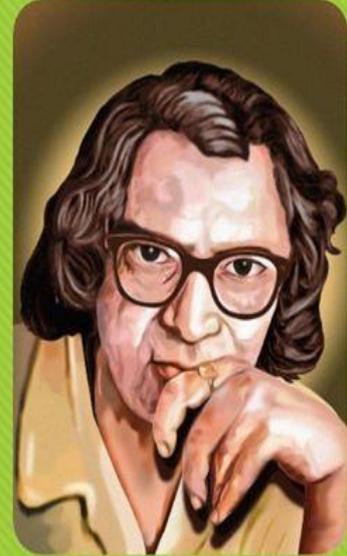
Revered Sumitranandanji Pant

जीना अपने ही में
एक महान कर्म है
जीने का हो सदुपयोग
यह मनुज धर्म है

अपने ही में रहना
एक प्रबुद्ध कला है
जग के हित रहने में
सबका सहज भला है

जग का प्यार मिले
जन्मों के पुण्य चाहिए
जग जीवन को
प्रेम सिन्धु में डूब चाहिए

ज्ञानी बनकर
मत नीरस उपदेश दीजिए
लोक कर्म भव सत्य
प्रथम सत्कर्म कीजिए



सुमित्रानंदन पंत

(20 May 1900 – 28 December 1977)

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