



NINETEENTH MAHAVEER AWARDS DAY 29th September 2016



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BHAGWAN MAHAVEER

Navkar Mahamantra

Namo Arihantanam	(I bow down to Arihanta)
Namo Siddhanam	(I bow down to Siddha)
Namo Ayariyanam	(I bow down to Acharya)
Name Uvajjhayanam	(I bow down to Upadhyaya)
Namo Leo Savva Sahunam	(I bow down to Sadhu & Sadhvi)
Eso Panch namokaro	(These five bowings down)
Savva-pavappanasano	(Destroy all the sins)
Manglananch Savvesim	(Amongst all that is auspicious)
Padhamam Havei Mangalam	(This Navkar Mantra is the foremost)

**WELCOME ADDRESS BY
Shri S. PRASANCHAND JAIN
MANAGING TRUSTEE, BHAGWAN MAHAVEER FOUNDATION,
AT THE NINETEENTH MAHAVEER AWARDS DAY
ON 29th SEPTEMBER 2016**

Distinguished members of the audience,
Jai Jinendra



On behalf of the Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation I am very happy to warmly welcome Shri S Gurumurthy Ji, who has so graciously consented to be the Chief Guest of the function. Shri Gurumurthy Ji , as we all know, is a renowned and eminent Academic, Corporate Adviser and a well-known commentator on Economic and Political Affairs.

It is also my pleasant privilege to welcome Shri T.S Krishnamurthy Ji, former Chief Election Commissioner of India who has kindly consented to preside over the function today.

I am very happy to extend a warm welcome to the members of the Selection Jury, the Short Listing Committee, the Awardees, all the distinguished guests and invitees and members of the media who have gathered here this evening on the occasion of the presentation of the 19th Mahaveer Awards.

We have a very warm and a close relationship with Shri Gurumurthy Ji and Shri Krishnamurthy Ji. We are happy to be associated with them. The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is privileged and honoured to have both Shri Gurumurthy Ji and Shri Krishnamurthy Ji as members of the Selection Jury which decides the awardees. They have been guiding us and supporting us in our charitable endeavours. We are grateful for their encouragement and affection. I warmly welcome both of you.

Let me now pause for a moment here to dwell upon the guidance and inspiration given to us by my father, Shri N Sugalchand Jain and my mother Late Smt. Chandra Bai.

My mother, who passed away on 5th August 2016, was a great source of love, support and strength in all our endeavours. She took care of the family, shaped

our personality and created an ambience that propelled my father to achieve many successes in life and businesses. She epitomized the saying that “Behind every successful man there is a woman”. My family and I are ever grateful for the encouragement and love given to us by my beloved mother, who though not with us today, will always be in our thoughts and hearts. We miss her presence but she remains evergreen in our memory. I am sure she will be proud of our actions.

I now wish to inform you briefly, the objectives and activities of the Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation. From time immemorial, Ahimsa, Compassion, Empathy and Philanthropy have been an integral part of our Country’s culture and ethos. There are many persons who render selfless service to help the weak, the voiceless and the under privileged in our society. To honour such persons and to express our gratitude for their services and also to encourage others to emulate them, my father Shri N Sugalchand Jain founded the Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation in 1994, with Bharat Ratna, Late, Shri C. Subramaniam as the Chairman.

The Foundation initially presented a single award carrying a cash component of Rs.5 Lakhs. Subsequently the number of awards were increased to four and the cash component to Rs.10 lakhs each in the four fields, namely, Non-Violence & Vegetarianism, Education, Medicine and Community & Social Service. The Foundation has so far honoured 55 awardees serving in 17 States and today we have gathered here to honour four more awardees engaged in selfless service to the society.

Permit me to state the procedure by which the awardees are selected. Nominations are invited from eminent personalities of the Nation such as Ministers, Members of Parliament and Legislature, Senior Bureaucrats, Vice Chancellors of Universities and general public. Nominations are also called for through advertisements in newspapers and digital media.

The received nominations are submitted to a Short Listing Committee with following members for pruning and preparing a shortlist.

Shri Kailasmull Dugar, former President of Rajasthani Association, Tamil Nadu
Shri P V Krishnamurthy, IA & AS (retd.), Hon’y Executive Trustee
Shri D K Oza, IAS (retd.)
Shri P Shankar, IAS (retd.)
Shri Naresh Gupta, IAS (retd.)
Shri K Nanda Kishore, IAS (retd.)

Representatives of the Foundation visit the places of the shortlisted entities to obtain first-hand information, to examine details of the service rendered, to ascertain the overall genuineness and the positive impact their services have amongst the people they serve. The report is then placed before the Selection Jury, who evaluate and decide the awardees.

The Selection Jury is headed by Padma Vibhushan Shri M N Venkatachaliah, Former Chief Justice of India. The other members of the Jury are:

Pooja Acharya Shri Chandanaji Maharaj,
Eminent Sanyasini & Social Reformer

Shri S. Gurumurthy,
Academic, Corporate Adviser and a well-known commentator on Economic and Political Affairs

Padma Bhushan, Prof. B M Hegde,
Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Mangalore Kendra

Shri T S. Krishnamurthy,
Former Chief Election Commissioner of India

Padma Bhushan, Shri D R Mehta, I.A.S.(retd.),
Former Chairman, Securities & Exchange Board of India

Shri Prabhat Kumar, I.A.S. (retd.),
Former Cabinet Secretary, Government of India

Justice Shri G S Singhvi,
Former Judge of Supreme Court of India

Padma Vibhushan, Prof. M S Swaminathan,
Chairman Emeritus, M S Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai

The awards are presented by eminent personalities in a formal function. We were fortunate to have Smt. Prathibha Patil, the then President of India, Shri K R Narayanan, Shri Krishan Kant, the then Vice Presidents of India, Shri Hamid Ansari, the Vice President of India and Governors, Union Ministers, and former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Dr M Karunanidhi to honour the awardees during the previous Award presentation functions.

For the 19th Mahaveer Awards, 158 nominations, received from various parts of the country, were considered. The selection of the Awardees for the 19th Mahaveer Awards was made by the Selection Jury on 4th April 2016 at Bengaluru. I am glad to inform here that the cash component of the awards is exempted from Income Tax enabling the Awardees to utilize the award money fully for the noble services.

I wish to express my grateful thanks to the Selection Jury for having so generously invested their time and attention in finalizing the awards. The fact that these awards have achieved total credibility over the years show the complete objectivity of the process involved in finalizing the awards.

We are also grateful to the Short Listing Committee for assisting the Foundation and the Sponsors for sponsoring the nominations.

We are initiating steps to create awareness of the Mahaveer Awards in remote areas of our country so that many persons and institutions serving the needy in difficult circumstances come to light and are recognized and encouraged. I request the Media to create awareness about the Mahaveer Awards.

I acknowledge the support and assistance of all the other Trustees and family members. I thank the Foundation officials for their dedicated work. I wish to congratulate all the Awardees and thank them for their presence and selfless service to the society.

Once again I welcome all.

Thank you,

19th MAHAVEER AWARDS PRESENTATION DAY

CHIEF GUEST



SHRI S.GURUMURTHY

Academic, Corporate Advisor & Well-known Commentator on
Economic and Political Affairs

BHAGWAN MAHAVEER FOUNDATION'S MAHAVEER AWARDS A PROFILE

Compassion, altruism, selfless service towards the weak and a desire to alleviate the problems of the under privileged have been woven into the fabric of our culture and tradition from time immemorial. Ahimsa, peaceful co-existence, service for the weak and the voiceless are amongst the shared and cherished values of our society.

Individuals and organizations in many parts of the country are doing selfless service in difficult circumstances. To identify, recognize and nurture public service rendered by such institutions and individuals, Shri N Sugachand Jain established the Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation in 1994.

The Foundation presented the first award in 1995 to Veerayatan, a service institute in Bihar. The Award consisted of Rs.5 Lakhs, a citation and a memento. Subsequently, the number of awards was increased to two covering the fields of Non-Violence & Vegetarianism and Community & Social Service. Later the number of awards was increased to three covering the fields of Non-Violence & Vegetarianism, Education & Medicine and Community & Social Service. From 2010, four awards were instituted with a cash component of 10 Lakhs, a citation and a memento for each of the following fields:

1.Non-Violence & Vegetarianism

2.Education

3.Medicine

4.Community & Social Service

The Foundation has ensured that the individual awardees are exempted from income tax on the cash component under Section 10 (17- A (1)) of the Income Tax Act. This enables the awardees to utilize the award money in full for the noble cause.

Nominations in the prescribed format are invited from around the country, enlisting the help of district administrators, legislators, bureaucrats, educationists, media, social workers, parliamentarians and other eminent people. Nominations are received every year from almost all the States in the country.

A Selection Jury consisting of eight eminent Indians as members and headed by Justice Shri M.N. Venkatachaliah, former Chief Justice of India evaluates the nominations to decide on the awardees. Since its inception, the Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation has felicitated 55 institutions and individuals. The selected awardees are honoured by eminent personalities like the President of India, the Vice President, the Governors, the Ministers and the like in formal functions organised by the Foundation.

The Selection Jury Meeting Held at Bengaluru on 4th April 2016 to select the Recipients of the 19th Mahaveer Awards



Since inception, 59 awardees have been felicitated by the following eminent persons in grand functions.

AWARD	YEAR	LOCATION	CHIEF GUEST
1 st	1995	Chennai	His Excellency, Shri K R Narayanan, Vice President of India
2 rd	1996	Chennai	Hon'ble Shri C Subramaniam, Former Governor of Maharashtra
3 rd	1997	Chennai	Shri Karan Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament
4 th	1998	Chennai	His Excellency, Shri Krishan Kant, Vice President of India
5 th	1999	Chennai	Dr. M Karunanidhi, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
6 th	2000	Chennai	Shri P T R Palanivelrajan, Hon'ble Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly
7 th	2003	Chennai	His Excellency Shri K R Malkani, Lt. Governor of Pondicherry
8 th	2003	Chennai	His Excellency Shri K R Malkani, Lt. Governor of Pondicherry
9 th	2005	Chennai	His Excellency Shri Surjeet Singh Barnala, Governor of Tamil Nadu
10 th	2006	Bengaluru	His Excellency Shri T N Chaturvedi, Governor of Karnataka
11 th	2008	Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi	Her Excellency, Smt. Pratibha Patil, President of India,
12 th	2008	Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi	Her Excellency, Smt. Pratibha Patil, President of India

13 th	2010	Raj Bhavan, Chennai	Prof. M S Swaminathan Hon'ble Member of Parliament & Chairman M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai
14 th	2011	Chennai	His Excellency Shri M K Narayanan, Governor of West Bengal
15 th	2012	Chennai	His Excellency Dr. K Rosaiah, Governor of Tamil Nadu
16 th	2013	New Delhi	His Excellency, Shri M Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India
17 th	2015	Chennai	Dr. S S Badrinath, Chairman Emeritus Sankara Nethralaya
18 th	2015	Chennai	Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot, Hon'ble Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment
19 th	2016	Chennai	Shri S.Gurumurthy, Academic, Corporate Advisor & Well-known Commentator on Economic and Political Affairs

**18th Mahaveer Awardees with Trustees and Chief Guest,
Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot
Hon'ble Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment
(21st August 2015)**



TRUSTEES OF THE FOUNDATION

Shri S Prasanchand Jain, Managing Trustee

Shri N Sugalchand Jain, Founder Trustee

Shri Gunwant Nagardas Damani, Trustee

Shri Pravin B Chheda, Trustee

Shri S Vinodh Kumar, Trustee

Shri P Pramod Jain, Trustee

Shri V Pratik Jain, Trustee

Shri P V Krishnamurthy, I.A & A.S. (retd.), Hon'y. Executive Trustee

Shri K Nanda Kishore, IAS (retd.), Advisor

Shri Paras Jain, Public Relations

The Foundation has also instituted the following two Awards,

1. Dr. Nemichand Jain Memorial Awards

2. Mahaveer Awards for Essays

Dr. Nemichand Jain Memorial Awards carries a cash component of **Rs.1 Lakh** (Rupees One Lakh) each to books or other literary works on Vegetarianism in Hindi and English whether published or unpublished.

Mahaveer Awards for Essays

One of the recent initiatives of the Foundation is the institution of Mahaveer Awards for Essays. The primary aim of the award is to acquaint the young people with the life and teachings of Bhagwan Mahaveer and to emphasize the need and contemporary relevance of Ahimsa, and Peaceful harmonious co-existence preached by Bhagwan Mahaveer.

The students of secondary and higher secondary schools and colleges in Chennai were invited to participate in an essay writing competition which was held on 27th February, 2016 for Schools and 5th March, 2016 for Colleges. The topics given were Bhagwan Mahaveer's Life and Teachings for school students and Bhagwan Mahaveer's Philosophy and its Relevance to the Modern Age for college students. Competitions are conducted in both English and Tamil languages and prizes are given for winners in both the languages.

The response of the schools and colleges was very encouraging. 3045 students from 22 schools and 1274 students from 11 colleges participated. The Foundation proposes to hold this competition every year and felicitate the winners with Mahaveer Awards for Essays.

It is proposed to hold the next competitions on 7th January, 2017 for level I & level II and on 13th January, 2017 for level III.

The details of the prize amounts are as follows:

Level 1: (VI to VIII Std.)	Level 2: (IX to XII Std.)	Level 3: (UG / PG)
No. of Words: Minimum 300	No. of Words: Minimum 450	No. of Words: Minimum 1500
Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes	Duration: 2 hours	Duration: 2 hours & 30 minutes
Prizes: 1st – Rs. 5,000/- 2nd – Rs. 3,000/- 3rd – Rs. 2,000/-	Prizes: 1st – Rs. 15,000/- 2nd – Rs. 10,000/- 3rd – Rs. 5,000/-	Prizes: 1st – Rs. 50,000/- 2nd – Rs. 25,000/- 3rd – Rs. 15,000/-
Consolation: Rs.1,000/- (5 prizes)	Consolation: Rs. 2,500/- (5 prizes)	Consolation: Rs. 5,000/- (5 prizes)

Students deeply immersed in essay competition



Prize Distribution - Mahaveer Awards for Essays



Level 1 – Prize Winners (Students of Class VI -VIII)



Level 2 – Prize Winners (Students of Class IX – XII)



Level 3 – Prize Winners (College Students)



THE NINETEENTH MAHAVEER AWARDEES

The Foundation considered the nominations received from all over the country for the Nineteenth Mahaveer Awards. The Selection Jury met on 4th April 2016 at Bengaluru and selected the Awardees for the Nineteenth Mahaveer Awards. The details are as follows:

For Excellence in the sphere of Non-Violence & Vegetarianism
Compassion Unlimited Plus Action, Bengaluru, Karnataka

For Excellence in the sphere of Education
Dr. Sapam Nabakishore Singh, Silchar, Assam

For Excellence in the sphere of Medicine
Dr. R V Ramani, Sankara Eye Care Institutions, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu

For Excellence in the sphere of Community & Social Service
Mrs. Shamshad Begum, Durg, Chhattisgarh

**19th Mahaveer Awards - Announcement of Awardees to Media
by Shri N Sugalachand Jain, Founder, Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation**



MEMBERS OF THE SELECTION JURY FOR THE AWARDS

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**19TH MAHAVEER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR
IN THE SPHERE OF NON-VIOLENCE & VEGETARIANISM**

**COMPASSION UNLIMITED PLUS ACTION (CUPA)
BENGALURU, KARNATAKA**



Care for the voiceless

Compassion Unlimited Plus Action (CUPA) provides total care in the form of rescue & rehabilitation of animals. It has an exclusive animal care clinic, geriatric & second chance adoption centers.

The NGO is authorised by the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) to respond to complaints against people who do not give their pets due attention and care. Such pet animals are confiscated and brought to CUPA's shelter where re-homing process begins. CUPA organizes Humane Awareness Programmes in Colleges and local Schools.

CUPA encourages people to visit Second Chance Adoption Centre where rescued dogs are adopted. CUPA's ABC Centre carries out Animal Birth Control & Anti Rabies Vaccination (ABC-ARV) work in Bengaluru which is important for the welfare of animals.

It has round the clock ambulance facilities for attending to the injured and stray, large and small animals, mainly dogs and cats. Outpatients and Inpatients facilities are extended through its 8 centers in Bengaluru. It provides medical care for all animals averaging 2200 cases per month. It also takes up legal issues for protecting the interest of animals.

The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is pleased to confer the **Nineteenth Mahaveer Award** in the field of **Non-Violence & Vegetarianism** on **Compassion Unlimited Plus Action** in recognition of its exemplary service for protection and care of animals. We believe many others will be inspired to emulate them.

19TH MAHAVEER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE SPHERE OF EDUCATION

DR. SAPAM NABAKISHORE SINGH
SILCHAR, ASSAM



Moral Education Class for Youth

Dr. Sapam Nabakishore Singh is a research scholar and a devoted social worker, doing services for the upliftment of the misguided youth in the North Eastern parts of India for more than 3 decades. He has been transforming the lives of hundreds of young people of this region who are exploited by anti-social forces through moral education, creative programmes, publishing books, radio talks and character building exercises.

Further, he conducts free medical check-ups for students and youngsters. His dedicated service for the welfare of the youth has made him popular among the people and many NGOs in Assam and Manipur.

In 1989, he established the Institute of Industrial Training and Production Centre for the educated unemployed youth at Imphal. He is also closely associated with the activities of ISKON (International Society for Krishna Consciousness).

The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is pleased to confer the **Nineteenth Mahaveer Award** in the field of **Education on Dr. Sapam Nabakishore Singh** in recognition of his significant services in the North Eastern parts of India. We believe many would be inspired by his services to society.

19TH MAHAVEER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE SPHERE OF MEDICINE

Dr.R.V.RAMANI

Coimbatore District, Tamilnadu



Eye Screening for School Children

The Founder & Managing Trustee of Sankara Eye Care Institutions, Coimbatore, Dr. R V Ramani has been rendering exemplary service to the visually impaired for the past 4 decades with the primary aim of providing quality vision care to the poor and the underprivileged of rural India.

With the blessings and guidance of Shri Kanchi Sankaracharyas, Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Medical Centre was established by him in 1977, a clinic which provides health care to the poor. He established Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Medical Trust in 1982 and the Sankara Eye Hospitals in 1985. Through programmes like “Gift of Vision” and “Rainbow” it serves the rural population and children.

The “Gift of Vision” programme has conducted 17,774 rural outreach camps, screened 3.13 million persons and performed about 1.2 million free vision restoration surgeries so far in 69 Districts across 11 States in India. The paying patients cover the cost of the treatment of poor patients. The Institution also provides services in Cambodia, Nigeria, Nepal and Seychelles.

Since 2010, the Sankara Academy of Vision trains doctors and paramedical staff, promotes research & development and extends professional consultancy.

The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is pleased to confer the **Nineteenth Mahaveer Award** in the field of **Medicine on Dr. R V Ramani** in recognition of his exemplary service. We hope many would be inspired to emulate him.

**19TH MAHAVEER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR
IN THE SPHERE OF COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICE**

SMT. SHAMSHAD BEGUM
Durg, Chhattisgarh



Spreading The Message of Literacy & Women Empowerment

For the past 25 years Smt. Shamshad Begum, has been championing the cause of Women Empowerment, Literacy and Prohibition in and around the District of Durg, in the State of Chhattisgarh. She has been the rallying point for all the rural women folk in the area to fight against illiteracy, child marriage, dowry and other social evils. She has transformed the lives of innumerable women with hard work and a strong determination and has provided leadership to women.

She has promoted literacy amongst the rural people. In 163 villages, she has made the people completely literate, most of them belonging to SC/ST and backward classes.

She is actively involved in the socio-cultural & economic empowerment of women and promotes family welfare, pulse polio immunization and anaemia control.

She organizes eye camps, helps widows to live independently and has established women commando clubs to fight against social evils and alcohol addiction.

Smt. Shamshad Begum has ensured setting up of more than 4000 Self Help Groups and encourages small savings habit among women. The members of these groups are today involved in farming, soap making and manufacturing of wheels for bullock carts. Such activities have given dignity and economic independence to women. Her dedicated service has secured her many awards including Padmashri in 2012.

The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is pleased to confer the **Nineteenth Mahaveer Award** in the field of **Community & Social Service** on **Padmashri Smt. Shamshad Begum** in recognition of her exemplary service. We hope many would emulate her in the service of society.

State wise distribution of Mahaveer Awards since inception (1995)

S. No.	States	Since 1995	Current Year	Total
1	Arunachal Pradesh	1		1
2	Andhra Pradesh	2		2
3	Assam	1	1	2
4	Bihar	2		2
5	Chhattisgarh	2	1	3
6	Gujarat	1		1
7	Jharkhand	3		3
8	Karnataka	4	1	5
9	Madhya Pradesh	2		2
10	Maharashtra	9		9
11	New Delhi	2		2
12	Orissa	2		2
13	Rajasthan	7		7
14	Tamil Nadu	12	1	13
15	Tripura	1		1
16	Uttarakhand	2		2
17	West Bengal	2		2
		55	4	59

Mahaveer Awards-Field wise distribution since 1995

S No.	Fields	Since 1995	Current Year	Total
1	Non-violence & Vegetarianism	14	1	15
2	Education & Medicine (till 2010)	12		12
3	Education	5	1	6
4	Medicine	5	1	6
5	Community & Social service	19	1	20
	Total	55	4	59

**RECIPIENTS OF MAHAVEER AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN
HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE FIELD OF
NON-VIOLENCE & VEGETARIANISM**

AWARD	AWARDEES
2 nd	Shri S Jagannathan & Smt. Krishnammal Jagannathan, Gandhigram, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu
3 rd	Shri Ratanlal C Bafna, Jalgaon, Maharashtra
4 th	Sadhu Vaswani Mission, Pune, Maharashtra
5 th	Smt. Maneka Gandhi, People for Animals, New Delhi
6 th	Dr. Kalyan Motilal Gangwal, Pune, Maharashtra
7 th	Late Dr. Nemichand Jain, Indore, Madhya Pradesh
9 th	Shri Siddharaj Dhaddha, Chaura Rasta, Jaipur, Rajasthan
11 th	Shri Bharat Amritlal Kothari, Rajpur, Gujarat
12 th	Action for Protection of Wild Animals (APOWA), Hatapatana, Kendrapara, Orissa
14 th	Shri Dayananda Swamiji, Bengaluru, Karnataka
15 th	Shri Chiranjee Lal Bagra, Kolkata, West Bengal
16 th	Shri Mohd Shafique Khan, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh
17 th	Blue Cross of India, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
18 th	Visakha Society for Protection and Care of Animals Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
19 th	Compassion Unlimited Plus Action, Bengaluru, Karnataka

**RECIPIENTS OF MAHAVEER AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN
HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE FIELD OF
EDUCATION & MEDICINE**

AWARD	AWARDEES
4 th	Shri Avinashilingam Education Trust Institutions, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
5 th	Dr. G Venkataswamy Chairman – Aravind Eye Hospital & Post Graduate Institute of Ophthalmology, Madurai, Tamilnadu
6 th	Cancer Institute (W I A), Chennai, Tamilnadu
7 th	Dr. H Sudarshan, Vivekananda Girijana Kalyana Kendra, Yelandur Tk, Karnataka
8 th	1)Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari, Tamilnadu 2)Marudhar Mahila Shikshan, Sangh Vidyavadi, Kimel, Rajasthan
9 th	Uttarakhand Seva Nidhi Paryavaran Shiksha Sansthan, Jakhan Devi, Almora, Uttaranchal
10 th	1)Dr. Sharadkumar Dicksheet M.D, Dr. Sharadkumar Dicksheet Charitable Trust (India), Pune, Maharashtra 2)Dr. S S Badrinath, President & Chairman, Sankara Nethralaya, Chennai, Tamilnadu
11 th	Dr. Shiv Kumar Sarin, New Delhi
12 th	Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram, Maharashtra
13 th	Tribal Health Initiative, Sittilingi, Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu

The award for Education and Medicine were bifurcated into separate awards one each for Education and Medicine since 14th Mahaveer Awards.

RECIPIENTS OF MAHAVEER AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

AWARD	AWARDEES
14 th	The Indian Planetary Society, Mumbai, Maharashtra
15 th	Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences Bhubaneswar, Orissa
16 th	Gandhi Vidya Mandir Churu, Rajasthan
17 th	Shri Sarada Ashram, Ulundhurpet, Tamil Nadu
18 th	Kasthurba Gandhi Kanya Gurukulam Vedaraniyam, Tamil Nadu
19 th	Dr. Sapam Nabakishore Singh, Silchar, Assam

RECIPIENTS OF MAHAVEER AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE

AWARD	AWARDEES
14 th	Voluntary Health Services, Taramani, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
15 th	Dr. Anant Sinha, Ranchi, Jharkhand
16 th	Dr. R. Ravi Kannan, Silchar, Cachar Dt., Assam
17 th	Dr. Sunil Sanon, Mussorie, Uttarakhand
18 th	SEVAC (Sane and Enthusiast Volunteers' Association of Calcutta), Kolkata, West Bengal
19 th	Dr. R.V. Ramani, Sankara Eye Institutions, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu

**RECIPIENTS OF MAHAVEER AWARDS FOR
EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN ENDEAVOUR IN THE FIELDS OF
COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICE**

AWARD	AWARDEES
1 st	Veerayatan, Rajgir, Bihar
2 nd	Shri Ramakrishna Mission, Ashrama Narainpur, Bastar Dist., Chhattisgarh
3 rd	Shri Anna Hazare, Ralegaon, Siddhi, Ahmed Nagar, Maharashtra
4 th	Dr. Prakash Murlidar Amte & Dr. Mandakini Prakash Amte, Lok Biradari Prkalp, Hemalkasa, PO: Bhamragad, Maharashtra
5 th	Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti, Sawai Man Singh Hospital, Jaipur, Rajasthan
6 th	Tripura Adivashi Mahila Samithy, (Mrs. Anurupa Mukherjee) Krishna Nagar, Agartala, Tripura
7 th	Bharat Sevashram Sangha, Sonari West Jamshedpur, Jharkhand
8 th	Dr. S V Adinarayana Rao, Director General – Prema Hospital, Maharanipecta, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
9 th	Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement, Saragur, Karnataka
10 th	Shri Rajmal S Jain, Village Bisalpur, Pali, Rajasthan
11 th	Acharya Dr. Kishore Kunal, Patna, Bihar
12 th	Amar Seva Sangam, Ayikudy, Tirunelveli, Tamilnadu
13 th	1) Shri Karni Nagar Vikas Samiti, Gordhanpura, Kota, Rajasthan 2) Swami Vivekananda Integrated Rural Health Centre, Pavagada, Karnataka
14 th	Snehalaya Social Charitable Trust, Solapur, Maharashtra
15 th	Shri Ramakrishna Mission Hospital, Ita Nagar, Arunachal Pradesh
16 th	Smt. Sushila Bohra, Jodhpur, Rajasthan
17 th	Smt. Phoolbasanbai Yadav, Rajnandgaon, Chattisgarh
18 th	Vikas Bharti Bishunpur, Ranchi, Jharkhand
19 th	Mrs. Shamshand Begum, Durg, Chhattisgarh

SINGHVI CHARITABLE TRUST

The Singhvi Charitable Trust, established in 1974, is the brain child of Shri N Sugarchand Jain. He is in many ways a champion of charitable activities. A great believer in the philosophy of Lord Mahaveer "Live and Let Live," he has an immense desire to help the needy and assist the less privileged in our society.

Recognizing that good health is paramount for improving the quality of life of the underprivileged and the weaker section of our society, the Trust, conducts eye and dental camps every Sunday in remote rural areas and daily dental and eye camps in the Singhvi Scan & Diagnostic Centre in the city. It provides free treatment, free spectacles, to the people who come to the camps, provides diagnostic tests like CT Scan, Ultra sound Scan, Blood tests etc. at affordable cost.

The Singhvi Charitable Trust has provided Eye and Dental Care to more than 4,80,427 patients in rural camps and distributed 2,67,378 spectacles free of cost till July 2016. Assistance for heart surgery at the rate of 10,000 per surgery is being given.

DENTAL CAMP CONDUCTED ON 1.5.2016 AT PILLAYAR PALAYAM



EYE CAMP CONDUCTED ON 8.5.2016 AT SURAKKAIPETTAI



In 2016, the Trust has so far conducted 169 camps (rural and in-house camp at Singhvi Scan & Diagnostic Centre), benefitting 14,982 patients and distributed 11,035 spectacles free of cost.

DENTAL CARE AT SINGHVI SCAN & DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE



NEW YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Since 2001, the Trust celebrates the dawn of the New Year by contributing generously to institutions providing selfless services to the poor and needy. The family members of Shri N Sugalchand Jain honour various Non-Governmental Organizations involved in social services.

Shri P PRAMOD, TRUSTEE, HANDING OVER CHEQUE TO ONE OF THE NGOs



Ms P PAYAL HANDING OVER CHEQUE TO ONE OF THE NGOs



Ms V PALAK HANDING OVER CHEQUE TO ONE OF THE NGOs



Mrs P SHRADDHA HANDING OVER CHEQUE TO ONE OF THE NGOs



NEW BORN BABY KITS

Under the auspices of Singhvi Charitable Trust, distribution of warm dress kits to new born babies in Chennai Government and private hospitals patronized by weaker sections of our society was commenced on 23rd July 2015. The scheme was inaugurated in Government Kasturba Gandhi Hospital, Triplicane, Chennai by the Trustees of Singhvi Charitable Trust. Totally 5800 kits were distributed to new born babies. As and when need arises this will continue.

DISTRIBUTION OF NEW BORN BABY KITS

By Smt P Nirmala & Smt V Kalavathy



PALLIATIVE CARE CENTRE AT SRIPERUMBUDUR, CHENNAI

Singhvi Charitable Trust is setting up a Palliative Care Centre in Sriperumbudur near Chennai. Shri N Sugalchand Jain, an active member of the Governing Council of the Cancer Institute, Adyar and ever sensitive to the urgent need of the poor and underprivileged terminally ill persons, discussed the need for a Palliative Care Centre with Padma Vibhushan Dr. V. Shanta, Chairperson, of the Cancer Institute, Adyar.

After discussion, he decided to set up a Palliative Care Centre in Sriperumbudur and the Bhoomi Pooja was performed on 14th July, 2015.

The construction of the 50 bed Palliative Care Centre in Sriperumbudur is nearing completion and will be inaugurated shortly. Initially the Centre will become operational with 30 beds and will be gradually up scaled to 50 beds. It will focus on minimizing the pain of the terminally ill patients, relieve sufferings of the inmates and assist them to spend each of the remaining days with dignity and tranquility. The Centre will function with technical and medical assistance of Cancer Institute at Adyar. This noble project is the outcome of a deep desire to serve and share.

SOON TO BE INAUGURATED - PALLIATIVE CARE CENTRE



DISTRIBUTION OF BOOKS TO CORPORATION SCHOOLS

The Singhvi Charitable Trust donates books to Corporation school children every year. The children are happy to receive this gift.

BOOK DISTRIBUTION TO CORPORATION SCHOOLS BY Smt. KALAVATHY



VIDHYA JYOTHI TRUST

The Vidhya Jyothi Trust was set up by Shri N Sugalchand Jain, to provide educational opportunities at affordable cost. The Trust manages the following institutions:

1. Mahaveer Institute of Technology & Science, Jadan, Pali, Rajasthan.
2. Shri Jadavbai Nathmal Singhvee Jain Nursery and Primary School, Ponnappa Lane, Triplicane, Chennai.
3. Shri Jadavbai Nathmal Singhvee Jain Nursery and Primary School, Big Street, Triplicane, Chennai.
4. Shri Jadavbai Nathmal Singhvee Jain Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Ganapathy Street, Triplicane, Chennai

The three schools have a total strength of 1580 students. The Schools have good infrastructure, well-appointed Science laboratory, library, Computer Lab, indoor playground, auditorium and dedicated teachers. Quality Education is provided with focus on overall development of the students. Extracurricular activities and character building form part of the daily activities of the School. This year the Higher Secondary School posted 100% pass results in the X Standard and XII Standard Board Examinations. The Trust has granted donations and scholarships worth Rs. 35 Lakhs to the needy.



Students Reading – SJNS Nursery & Primary School, Ponnappa Lane, Triplicane.



Students Writing - SJNS Nursery & Primary School, Big Street, Triplicane



**In Computer Lab – SJNS Higher Secondary School,
Ganapathy Street, Triplicane**

MAHAVEER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCE (MITS), Jadan, Pali, Rajasthan

With the aim of providing higher education to the rural people, the Vidhya Jyothi Trust established the Mahaveer Institute of Technology and Science (MITS) at Jadan, Pali District, Rajasthan.

MAHAVEER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCE (MITS) - CAMPUS



The co-education College is in its second year with a strength of 439 students. The College, situated in a rural area, provides a good opportunity and conducive atmosphere for quality education to the rural students. The College has four streams namely Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Computer Science Engineering, Electrical Engineering.

The students are given scholarships based on their marks in the qualifying examinations. For example, if a student scores 90% in his XII Standard exam he is given 90% scholarships. The Trust has granted donations and scholarships worth Rs.1.89 crores to the needy. The The Vidhya Jyothi Trust also honors annually the rank holders in schools of Pali District.

PROJECT WORK AT MITS



The Trust has extended its ambit of service to provide health care to the rural people and adopt rural government schools in and around Pali district. The Trust has conducted 11 Eye Camps in remote places like Siyat, Phulad, Jojawar, Nana, Jadan, Kantaliya, Sevari, Magartalb, Bagari, Marwar Junction and Bhabhan at a total cost of 10.07 Lakhs benefiting 8572 persons.

EYE CAMP CONDUCTED IN RURAL RAJASTHAN BY VIDHYA JYOTHI TRUST



Responding to the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, a National Cleanliness drive , launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, the Vidhya Jyothi Trust has initiated a programme of constructing toilets in Schools for the benefit of the students, especially girl students, in Rajasthan. This inculcates healthy personal hygiene habits, prevents spread of disease and ensures clean environment. Under this programme, toilets have been constructed in three government schools in the village of Sojat, Bagawas and Jadan for the convenience of 1015 students.

To provide a comfortable and congenial learning atmosphere in the schools for the young rural students, the Trust has taken up the upgradation of school infrastructure by adopting schools and providing furniture like tables & chairs, almirah, ceiling fans, carpet, staff chairs, water motors and painting the school buildings. About 4158 students have benefitted till now.

**TOILET CONSTRUCTED IN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL,
JADAN VILLAGE, PALI DISTRICT BY VIDHYA JYOTHI TRUST**



JAINSINDIA TRUST

The JainsIndia Trust, set up by Shri N Sugalchand Jain in 2002, provides various kinds of relief to the poor and needy members of Jain community.

JainsIndia Trust aims to propagate Jainism as the way of life, promotes the philosophy, literature and architecture of Jainism. It grants scholarships to the deserving school & college students of the Jain community. It also provides financial assistance to the needy widows, deserted women and other deserving people belonging to Jain community, for the maintenance of their livelihood. During the year 2015-16, 616 students were given scholarship and 145 needy people were given monthly pension.

FOUNDER TRUSTEE Shri N SUGALCHAND JAIN PRESENTING SCHOLARSHIP CHEQUE



GANADIPATHY TULSI'S JAIN ENGINEERING COLLEGE (GTEC)

Ganadipathy Tulsi's Jain Engineering College at Kaniyambadi, Vellore affiliated to Anna University, provides opportunity to the rural students to become Engineers and responsible and productive citizens of our country. The college has excellent infrastructure in terms of land, building, equipment, laboratories and faculty. Presently it has a strength of 1247 students.

GANADIPATHY TULSI'S JAIN ENGINEERING COLLEGE (GTEC) CAMPUS



The College offers B. E degree in Computer Science Engineering, Electronics & Communications Engineering, Electrical & Electronics Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, and B.Tech Information Technology. It also offers M. E in Computer Science Engineering, Communication & Networking, Embedded System Technologies, Manufacturing Engineering, Control & Instrumentation Engineering, M.Tech Information Technology, Master of Business Administration and Master of Computer Application.

GTEC – STUDENTS IN COMPUTER LAB



The College offers special scholarship programmes to encourage students. Bus facilities are available to the students at reasonable charges. Modern, well-furnished, separate hostels are available for boys and girls. The College has very good infrastructure conducive for giving high quality education. The students very enthusiastically participate in extra-curricular activities like Rotaract Club, YRC, Meditation & Yoga, NSS activities etc. The students are taken to reputed industries for practical exposure. The placement cell of the College provides training for group discussion and personal interview and brings in guest lecturers for giving motivational talks and prepares the students for placements in good companies. GTEC has been ranked FIRST among the Private Engineering Colleges in the Vellore region for producing 83.76% of graduates in 2011 – 15 batch.

EMPATHY FOUNDATION

The Sugul and Damani Group established the Empathy Foundation in the year 2005. The Foundation focuses on providing healthcare and educational facilities to the underprivileged and needy sections of rural Maharashtra and slums of Greater Mumbai. It works closely with government agencies.

The Foundation provides free medical care through medical camps wherein eye check-ups and cataract operations are done along with free distribution of spectacles and medicines. Special medical camps were conducted to provide free appliances to differently abled children at Jawahaar, Mokhada, Mangaon and Panvel. 804 children have been provided with appliances free of cost. Focused medical care to pre and antenatal women and children up to the age of 6 are also provided in Pali and Jambulpada villages of Raigad District. It also provides Palliative Home Care to the terminally ill cancer patients in Mumbai along with Tata Memorial Centre.



MEDICAL CAMPS IN RURAL MAHARASHTRA

The Foundation helps to create a conducive ambience for learning in rural schools run by local authorities by providing necessary infrastructure. It has constructed 118 schools in 16 Districts of Maharashtra and has ongoing projects of 20 schools in various Districts. E-learning kits consisting of UPS, screen and pre-loaded CDs with the school syllabus is provided to 37 schools. Most of the students of these schools are from below poverty line and Adivasi families. Its activities include improving the quality of life of the rural people by providing basic amenities like drinking water, provision of solar lights in remote villages of hilly terrain. The Districts covered include Ratnagiri, Raigad, Beed, Kolhapur, Pune, Satara, Sindhudurg, Thane and Solapur.



Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Kagal, District Kolhapur, Maharashtra



Z.P. Primary School , Numberwadi, District Pune, Maharashtra

A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE



1st Mahaveer Award – His Excellency Shri. K.R. Narayanan, Vice President of India presenting the award to Shri N.K. Firodia of Veerayatan on 08.11.1995 at Chennai.



2nd Mahaveer Award - Shri C Subramaniam, Former Governor of Maharashtra, presenting the award to Shri Jagannathan and Smt. Krishnammal Jagannathan, Octogenrian Gandhian couple of Gandhigram on 08.09.1996 at Chennai.



3rd Mahaveer Award - Shri Karan Singh, Member of Parliament, presenting the award to Shri Anna Hazare of Ralegaon Siddhi, Maharashtra on 20.04.1997 at Chennai in presence of Shri C. Subramaniam, Chairman BMF and Shri N.Sugalchand Jain, Founder Trustee.



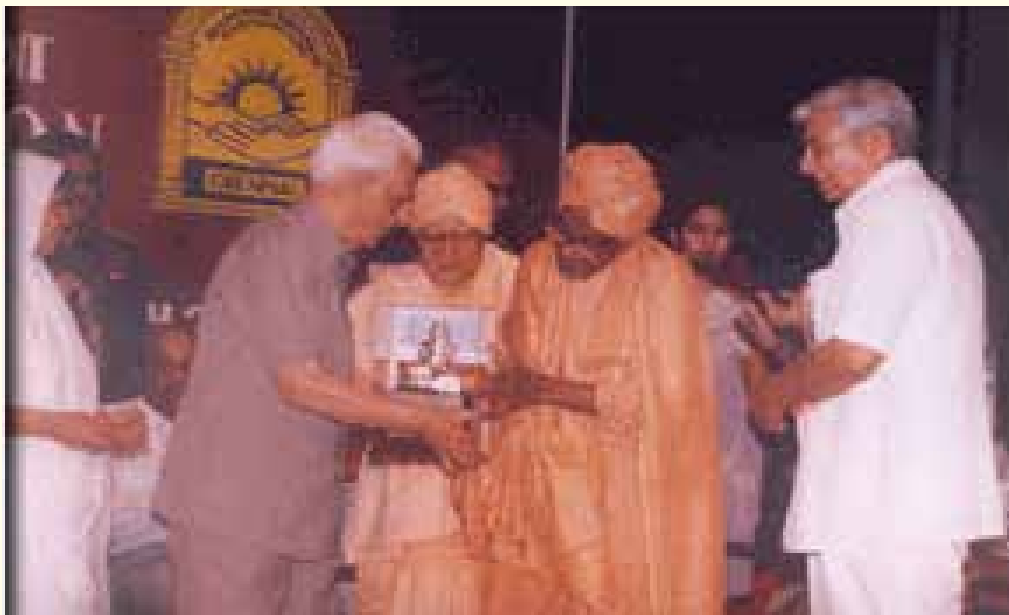
4th Mahaveer Award – His Excellency Shri Krishan Kant, Vice President of India presenting the award to Dr. Prakash Murlidar Amte & Dr.Mandakini Prakash Amte of Maharogi Sewa Samiti on 09.04.1998 at New Delhi.



5th Mahaveer Award –Dr.M. Karunanidhi Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu presenting the award to Smt. Maneka Gandhi, Hon’ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, in the presence of the Founder Trustee Shri N Sugalachand Jain, on 03.04.1999 at Chennai.



6th Mahaveer Award - Shri P.T.R. Palanivel Rajan, Hon’ble Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, presenting the award to Dr. V. Shantha – Chairperson, Cancer Institute, Adyar, Chennai on 05.10.2000 at Chennai



7th Mahaveer Award - His Excellency Shri K R Malkani, Lt. Governor of Pondicherry, presenting the award to Bharat Sevashram Sangha, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, on 22.03.2003 at Chennai.



8th Mahaveer Award - His Excellency Shri K R Malkani, Lt. Governor of Pondicherry, presenting the award to Marudhar Mahila Shikshan Sangh, Pali, Rajasthan, on 22.03.2003 at Chennai.



9th Mahaveer Award - His Excellency Shri Surjeet Singh Barnala, Governor of Tamil Nadu, presenting the award to Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement, Karnataka on 14.02.2005 at Chennai.



10th Mahaveer Award – His Excellency Shri T. N. Chaturvedi, Governor of Karnataka, presenting the award to Dr. Sharadkumar Dicksheet, Pune, in the presence of Justice Shri M.N. Venkatachaliah, Mr. Ram Niwas Mirdha and Founder Trustee Shri Sugulchand Jain on 11.01.2006 at Bengaluru.



11th Mahaveer Award – Her Excellency Smt. Pratibha Patil, President of India, presenting the award to Dr. Shiv Kumar Sarin, Jaipur on 19.05.2008 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.



12th Mahaveer Award - Her Excellency Smt. Pratibha Patil, President of India, presenting the award to Shri. S. Sankara Raman, Hon'y. Secretary of Amar Seva Sangam, Ayikudy, Tamilnadu on 19.05.2008 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.



13th Mahaveer Award - Prof. M S Swaminathan M.P. & Chairman M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai, presenting the award to Swami Shri Jabanandaji - Founder, Swami Vivekananda Integrated Rural Health Centre, Pavagada, Karnataka on 09.07.2010 at Raj Bhavan, Chennai.



14th Mahaveer Award – His Excellency Shri M K Narayanan, Governor of West Bengal presenting the award to Shri Pradeep Kumar Shingavi, Founder, Indian Planetary Society, Mumbai, Maharashtra on 09.11.2011 at Chennai.



15th Mahaveer Award - His Excellency Dr. K Rosaiah Governor of Tamil Nadu presenting the award to Dr. Chiranjee Lal Bagra, Kolkatta on 10.10.2012 at Chennai.



16th Mahaveer Award - His Excellency Shri M Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India presenting the award to Dr. Ravi Kannan R, Cachar Cancer Hospital and Research Centre Silchar, Cachar, Assam on 04.06.2013 at New Delhi.



17th Mahaveer Award – Padma Bhushan, Dr. S S Badrinath, Chairman Emeritus, Sankara Nethralaya presenting the award to Swamini Nitya Viveka Priya Amba of Shri Sarada Ashram, Ulundurpet, Villupuram, Tamil Nadu on 14.02.15 at Chennai.



18th Mahaveer Award –Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt of India, presenting the award to Shri Pradeep Kumar Nath, Founder & President of Visakha Society for Protection & Care of Animals, Andhra Pradesh, in the presence of the Managing Trustee Shri PrasanChand Jain, Shri G S Singhvi, Former Judge of Supreme Court and Pujya Acharya Shri Chandanaji Maharaj, on 21.08.2015 at Chennai

A TRIBUTE

Smt. Chandra Bai was born on 19th September 1946 in Uthiramerur, an ancient temple town in Kancheepuram District of Tamil Nadu. Her parents having roots in Vijajeeaka Guda of Pali District in Rajasthan settled down in Uthiramerur. She grew up amongst her four brothers and seven sisters in a traditional family. Young Smt. Chandra Bai got married to Shri Sugalchand Jain of Siyat Village, Pali, Rajasthan on 5th July 1963.

Comely young Chandra Bai lit up the life of young & enterprising Sugalchand with her cheerful demeanour and positive attitude. The fortunate couple, blessed with two sons and a daughter, embarked on a long & very fulfilling life, supporting and complementing each other, achieving domestic bliss and successfully meeting and weathering the challenges of life.

She took control of the domestic side and provided space and ambience for her enterprising, hardworking husband Sri Sugalchand Jain to focus on business and flourish in all his endeavours. Smt. Chandra Bai was full of energy and positive attitude. She relished her relationships and stayed connected to all her relatives and friends. She had an eye for details and nothing missed her attention. Her memory was phenomenal; she was a walking encyclopaedia of names, events & social happenings in her circle. She enjoyed meeting her relatives and friends and dressed up for the occasion bringing colour and sparkle to the occasion.

Smt. Chandra Bai raised her family with care, love & infused traditional Indian values into her family. She was a typical Indian matriarch blessed to welcome two daughters-in-law, one son-in-law, five grandsons, two granddaughters, two granddaughters-in-law and one great granddaughter into her family.

She was a religious person. She authored a book called "Chandrakirnavali", a compilation of religious slokas which motivate people to tread the path of spirituality.

Smt. Chandra Bai along with her husband, led a very satisfying and fulfilling life, supporting each other. She was an immense source of encouragement and hope to her family and husband. She passed away peacefully early morning on 5th August 2016, leaving behind a shocked and grieving family. Her passing has left a huge aching vacuum but her life shall continue to inspire all the members of the SUGAL GROUP and all our achievements will be a celebration of her life.

Our Inspiration

Triveni of Compassion, Love and Grace



Smt. S Chandra Bai
(1946 – 2016)
(W/o Shri. N Sugalchand Jain)



PALLIATIVE CARE CENTRE AT SRIPERUMBUDUR