

Between degrading superstition and still more degrading brutal materialism, the white dove of truth has hardly room where to rest her weary unwelcome foot.

Masters of Wisdom

SADHANA AND SERVICE

India prides itself on its religious and spiritual heritage, and often, reference is made to the fact that this country gave birth to the thought of the Upanishads and great works such as the Gita. Everywhere, even now temples spring up like mushrooms, sometimes to the dismay of those responsible for the smooth flow of traffic. People flock to discourses on religious topics. So, there is a seemingly keen interest in religion.

At the same time, we face chaos, immorality and corruption. Hardly any country is as dirty as India. other countries are overpopulated and poor, but their streets are not as filthy. But, this is only one part of the disorder. The citizens of India have become completely indifferent to the deterioration of their surroundings- the streets, forests, rivers, etc.- and feel they can do whatever they like irrespective of other peoples convenience. In this country anybody can turn a loudspeaker onto the street, rgardless of whether neighbours are studying for examinations or are gravely ill. The man who uses the loudspeaker does exactly what suits him, even though he in turn may suffer from the selfishness of others in some other form. Almost everybody participates either passively or actively in corrupt procedures, which has led to rapid moral degeneration.

(Extracted from "The Indian Theosophist", Octber-2014)

LODGE PROGRAMME:

[1]CUTTACK LODGE, CUTTACK: [in front of Kali Temple, KaliGali, Cuttack] On Every Saturday at 7.00 P.M. study class on 'VivekChudamani by ବ୍ରହ୍କଚାରିଶୀ ମହିମା ଚୈତନ୍ୟ On Every Sunday at 9.00A.M. study class on "ବ୍ରହ୍କସୂତ୍ର" by Bro. J. K. Sahu.

[2]BARABATI LODGE - CUTTACK [Nari Sangh Sadan Lane] On 2.3.2015, 9.3.2015, 16.3.2015, 23.3.2015 & 30.3.2015 study class on the book "The Path of Occultism" Vol.-I (At the feet of the Master)

[3] LAXMINARAYAN LODGE: [at 346 Brahmavidya Bhawan, Gautam Nagar, Bhubaneswar 751014] Every Friday at 5.00 P.M. study class on the book "The way of wisdom" written by N. Sriram.

[4] MARU LODGE : [Plot No. 29, Gautam Nagar, Bhubaneswar] Every Sunday at 6.30 P.M, study class is conducted by Sis. Pournamasi Pattanaik on the book "ବ୍ରହୁବିଦ୍ୟା ବ୍ୟାଖ୍ୟାନ".

[5]DEBAPI LODGE, BHUBANESWAR: (At Plot No. 2002, V.S.S. Nagar, Bhubaneswar) Study on "ଆତ୍ମାର ଘଟ ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ" written by Narayan Mohapatra on every Sunday from 5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.

[6]SAMBALPUR LODGE, [Hotel Sujata, Sambalpur] Every Sunday at 6.00 P.M, Study & discussion on "Blavatsky Literatures and Isis Unveiled".

[7]SANAT KUMAR LODGE BHUBANESWAR:[at 346 Brahmavidya Bhawan, Gautam Nagar, Bhubaneswar 751014] Every Thursday at 6.00 P.M. study class conducted by Bro. Rasananda Naik on the book "SEVEN GREAT RELIGIONS".

[8]SIDHARTH LODGE, BHUBANESWAR (At 625, Sahidnagar, Bhubaneswar) Every Thursday at 6.00 P.M, study class is conducted

by Sis. Mitalini Mahapatra on the book 'TALK ON THE PATH OF OCCULTISM VOL.I. (AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER)'

[9] BHUBANESWAR LODGE, BHUBANESWAR [at plot no.346, Brahmavidya Bhawan, Gautam Nagar, Bhubaneswar] Every Sunday at 5 P.M. study class is conducted by Bro. Ashok Patnaik on 'TALK ON THE PATH OF OCCULTISM VOL.I. (AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER)'

[10]JAGANNATH LODGE, PURI : (At the residence of Kailash Chandra Pattnaik, Pathuria Sahi, Puri) **Every SATURDAY at 6.00 P.M**, study class on the book 'ଶ୍ରୀଗୁରୁ ଚରଶେ'.

[11]BERHAMPUR LODGE : (Monovikash School, Sastri Nagar, Berhampur). On every Saturday at 10.30 A.M, Study on "ବ୍ରହୁବିଦ୍ୟା ବ୍ୟାଖ୍ୟାନ".

[12]BHAWANIPATNA LODGE : (At the residence of Kalpana Rath, Bhawanipatna) On every **Sunday at 6.30 P.M.** Study class is conducted by Bro. Sudhansu Sekhar Mohapatra on the book 'ଶ୍ରୀଗୁରୁ ଚରଶେ'. written by Prof. Chintamoni Mohapatra.

[Programme of other lodges are not received]

JOINT LODGE MEETING

- **A.** In the premises of UTF, 346, Gautam Nagar, Bhubaneswar, meetings will be held as per the following programme :
- (i) Every Saturday at 6.00 P.M. Study class on "**The Divine Plan**". Before study class "MEDITATION" at 5.30 P.M.
- (ii) Every Sunday (Except 1st Sunday) at 9.30 a.m. study class on"The Mahatma Letters to A. P. Sinnet".
- (iii) From 3rd March to 6th march 2015 "Prahallad Mahapatra Study class" & Annual day of Siddhartha lodge will be held at UTF Hall. The study class will be directed by Bro. J. K. Sahoo, Federation Lecturer on the book "No other Path to Go" written by Radha Burnier as per the following programme.

3.3.2015 to 6 P.M. to 8.00 P.M. - with 15 minutes tea break. Study

5.3.2015 class on "No other Path to Go" written by Radha Burnier

6.3.2015 (6 P.M.)i) Symposium on "No other Path to Go" at 6.00 P.M.

(7 P.M.) ii) Public lecture on "How Theosophy solves the problem of day to day life" at 7.00 P.M.

The above function will be hosted by the members of Siddhartha lodge

- B. In the premises of Cuttack lodge, Kaligali, Cuttack the lodge meeting will be held as per the following programme;
- i. Every Saturday at 7.00 P.M. the study class is conducted by "ବ୍ରହ୍ମଚାରିଶୀ ମହିମା ଚୈତନ୍ୟ" on the book "Vivek Chudamani".

NEWS & NOTES

The 13th T.S. & T.O.S. East Zone Conference of Assam Bengal, Bihar and Utkal Federation & Regions and 50th annual Conference of UTF was held on 14th - 15th February 2015 at UTF Hall, 346, Gautam Nagar. The theme of the conference was "Altruism is the Key to Theosophy". Dr. Chittaranjan Satapathy, Int. Vice President & Prof. C.A. Shinde, National lecturer & Librarian Adyars Library & Research Centre were invited to grace the occasion. Prof. C.A. Shinde was the Chief Guest. The programme was started with Bharat Samaj Puja at 8.00 A.M. Bro. Ashis Ku. Kar, Secretary UTF Welcomed all the delegates and readout greetings received from other lodges & Federations. Bro. B. B. Palai, Vice President preside the meeting. The meeting was inaugurated by the Chief Guest Prof. C. A. Shinde who gave the inaugural address. He narrated altruism is the keynote of Theosophy and an integral part of self culture. He also said that it is the transformation within one self from selfishness to unselfishness and to live for the good of others. He further said - the key is to feel the oneness of life by giving up the selfishness as stated by Master of Wisdom.

There was a short talk on "Self Discipline" The representatives of Four Federations such as Bro. Vipul Sharma, Bro. Rhosse Universe, Bro. Suresh Prasad Srivastava & Sis. Swasti Sikha Mahapatra delivered their talks on the topic. In the afternoon session there was a seminar on "Theosophy & Altruism". There were also four speakers of different Federations namely- Sis. Charolata Kalita, Bro. Manoranjan Kumar Sinha, Bro. Deba Brata Dutta & Bro. Ashok Ku. Mahapatra who delivered their talks on the above subject.

Thereafter, There was an interaction with Secretaries of Four Federations with Dr. Chitaranjan Satapathy, Int. Vice President & Bro. P. K. Mohapatra, Asst. General Secretary, Indian Section. All the four secretaries appraised the activities of their own Federations & discussed about the future course of action.

At 6.00 P.M. of 14.2.2015 Dr. Chittaranjan Satapathy, Int. Vice President delivered an illuminating public lecture on "Altruism & Theosophy". He spoke about the significance of "Altruism" & how it is relevant in "Theosophy". The lecture was very much appreciated by the audiences.

On 15.2.2015, thee was a seminar on **"The Art of Living in the light of Theosophy".** One speaker from each Federations participated in the above seminar. The speakers were Bro. R. N.Choudhury, Dr. Jayashree Das, Bro. Chittaranjan Sinha & Bro. J. K. Sahu.

There was also a Theosophy-Science lecture wherein Dr. Prof. N. C. Mohapatra, Prof. & HOD of Deptt of Physics, Berhampur University delivered an inspiring talk on "Can Parambrahma - The Supreme-Manifest in human form ?" Bro. B. B. Palai presided the meeting.

In the afternoon, Dr. Chittaranjan Satapathy, Int. Vice President inagurated the 13th TOS Zonal conference of Assam, Bengal,

Bihar & Odisha Regions and delivered the inaugural address. Bro. (Er.) R. C. Pattnaik, Regional Secretary, Odisha Region welcomed the deligates and read out greetings received from different T.O.S. Regions and International President T.S. & T.O.S.- Mr. Tim Boyd. A wheel chair was donated to a handicapped person of Village Gope & study materials were also donated to poor-cum-meritorious students of nearby schools by the International Vice President. Therafter, Bro. B. L. Bhattacharya, National Director TOS India & Bro. Kantibhai Patel, Gurujat TOS Region addressed to the delegates regarding importance of TOS activities. There was a TOS symposium on "The hands that serve are better than the lips that pray" where in five speakers from different T.O.S. Regions delivered their talks. The speakers are : Sis. Bandana Anuradha, Bro. J. N. Pattwory, Bro. Asit Roy, Bro. R. K. Prasad & Bro. K. P. Padhy.

At 6.00 P.M. there was a TOS public lecture. The Chief Guest Prof. C.A. Shinde, delivered an inspiring lecture on "Life of Service & Sacrifice". Sis. Amiyabala Mohapatra, President, T.O.S., Odisha presided the meeting. The conference was concluded with vote of thanks offered by Sis. Paurnamasi Pattaik, Jt. Secy. UTF.

During the period from 16th to 18th Feb. 2015, Dr. R.C. Rath Memorial Study Class was held by **Prof. C.A. Shinde.** He directed the study class on "**Divine Virtue**" based on the book "**The Voice of the Silence**". The study classes were well attended & interactive one.

On 17.2.2015, the Adyar Day was celebrated at UTF Hall, 346, Gautam Nagar. On the above day Prof. C.A. Shinde & Bro. B. B. Palai spoke about the significance of the Adyar **Day.** In addition to them Bro. Ashok Mohapatra, Bro. Ashish

Kar, Sis. Mitalini Mahapatra & Sis. Paurnamasi Pattnaik spoke about J. Krishnamurty, Geordano Bruno, Col. Olcott & C.W. Leadbeater respectively and narrated their contributions to the Theosophical Society & Humanity.

On 21.2.2015. Bro. P. K. Mohapatra, Asst. General Secretary, Indian Section delivered a lecture on "Love" based on the book "At the feet of the Master" & "Freedom from the Known" at Cuttack lodge, Kaligali, Cuttack.

In the premises of Cuttack lodge on 17.2.2015 "Adyar Day" was celebrated. On this occasion Dr. Chittaranjan Satapathy", Int. Vice President and Sis. Kusum Satapathy, Former Int. Secy. delivered talks on the significance of the Adyar Day.

The members of Barabati lodge also celebrated the "Adyar Day" on 17.2.2015 in the lodge premises.

Request from Secretary UTF - The lodge secretaries are requested to distribute monthly bulletin to the lodge members in the weekly Lodge Meeting. Articles are invited from members for publication of 'Viswadhara' quarterly magazine. The lodge secretaries as well as Regional Secretary, T.O.S. and T.O.S. Group Secretaries are also requested to send their activities reports if any by the end of 20th of every month for publication in the monthly bulletin.

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- ପ୍ର− ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ଆତ୍ନା ତାହାର ଭୌତିକ ଦେହରୁ କିପରି ଅଲଗା ହୋଇଯାଏ ?
- ଭ– ତୃତୀୟ ଅଧ୍ୟାୟରେ ବର୍ଣ୍ଣିତ ହୋଇଛି ଯେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ସହିତ ସଂଲଗ୍ନ ହୋଇ ତାାର ଛାୟା ଶରୀର (Etheric Double) ରହିଥାଏ । ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ସମୟରେ ଏହି ଛାୟା ଶରୀର (ଯାହାର ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ପ୍ରାଣ ଶକ୍ତି ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରରେ ସଞ୍ଚାରିତ ହୁଏ) ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରରୁ ଅଲଗା ହୋଇଯାଏ ଓ ସେତେବେଳେ ଅତୀନ୍ଦ୍ରିୟ ଶକ୍ତି ସମ୍ପନ୍ନ ଲୋକମାନେ ଏହି ଶରୀରକୁ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ମୃତ୍ୟୁମୁଖୀ ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ଉପରେ ଭାସମାନ ଅବସ୍ଥାରେ ଦେଖନ୍ତି । ସେତେବେଳେ ଏହାର ରଙ୍ଗ ପାଉଁଶିଆ ବାଇଗଣି ରଙ୍ଗ ପରି ଦେଖାଯାଏ । ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ଉପରେ ଭାସମାନ ଅବସ୍ଥାରେ ଥିବା ବେଳେ ଏହା ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ସହିତ ଏକ ସରୁ ତୁୟକ ସୂତ୍ରଦ୍ୱାରା ସଂଯୁକ୍ତ ଥାଏ । ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ପ୍ରାଣ ଶକ୍ତି ଆସେ ଆୟେ ଲୋପ ପାଇଯାଏ ଓ

ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରର ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ବେଳେ ଏହି ସୂତ୍ର ଛିନ୍ନ ହୋଇଯାଏ । ଏହି ସୂତ୍ରଛିନ୍ନ ହେବା ମାତ୍ରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ଛାୟା ଶରୀର ଓ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ଶରୀର ସବୁ ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରଠାରୁ ଅଲଗା ହେବା ପରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟ ଏକ ଶାନ୍ତିପୂର୍ଷ ଅତେତନ ଅବସ୍ଥାରେ ରହେ କିନ୍ତୁ ତାହାର ଛାୟା ଶଶୀର ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରକୁ ଦାହ ନ କଲେ ତାହା ଉପରେ ଭାସମାନ ଅବସ୍ଥାରେ ପ୍ରାୟ ୩୬ ଘଷ୍ଟା ପର୍ଯ୍ୟନ୍ତ ରହେ । ତାହା ପରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ସୂଷ୍ଣ ଶରୀର ସବୁ ଛାୟା ଶରୀରଠାରୁ ପୃଥକ ହୋଇଯାଏ ଓ ଛାୟା ଶରୀର କେତକେ ସପ୍ତାହ ବା ମାସ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ନଷ୍ଟ ହୋଇଯାଏ । ଯେଉଁ ପ୍ରାଶଶକ୍ତି ଛାୟା ଶରୀରରେ ରହିଥାଏ ତାହା ସେହି ଶରୀର ନଷ୍ଟ ହୋଇଯିବା ପରେ ବିଶ୍ୱ ପ୍ରାଶଶକ୍ତି ସହିତ ମିଶିଯାଏ । ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ନଷ୍ଟ ହେବା ପରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟ ତାହାର କାମ ଶରୀରରେ ଭୁବଲୋକରେ ବାସ କରେ ।

ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ସମୟରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ଜୀବନର ଘଟଶାବଳୀ ତାହାର ସମ୍ପୂଖରେ ସିନେମାର ଛବି ପରି ଚାଲିଯାଏ । ହଠାତ୍ ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ହେଲେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଏହି ଘଟଶାବଳୀ ଦେଖାଯାଏ । ପାଶିରେ ବୁଡ଼ି ମରି ଯାଉଥିବା ଅନେକ ଲୋକ ଉଦ୍ଧାର ପାଇବା ପରେ ଏହି ଅନୁଭୂତି କଥା କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଅତଏବ କୌଣସି ଲୋକର ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ସମୟରେ ସେଠାରେ ଶାନ୍ତ ପରିବେଶ ରହିବା ଆବଶ୍ୟକ । କୌଶସି ପ୍ରକାର ଶୋକ ବା ଅସ୍ଥିରତା ଦ୍ୱାରା ଲୋକର ଉପର୍ଯୁକ୍ତ ମୃତ୍ୟୁକାଳୀନ ଅନୁଭୂତି ବାଧାପ୍ରାପ୍ତ ହୁଏ ଓ ତାହାର ଅନ୍ତିମ ସମୟ ଶାନ୍ତିମୟ ହୁଏ ନାହିଁ ।

ପ୍ର– ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ମୃତ ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର କବର ଦେବା ଅପେକ୍ଷା ପୋଡ଼ିଦେବା ଶ୍ରେୟସ୍କର କାହିଁକି ?

ଉ– ତାହାର ଅନେକ କାରଣ ଅଛି ।

(୧) ମୃତ୍ୟୁପରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟ ସୂକ୍ଷ୍ମତର ଲୋକକୁ ଗମନ କରେ। ସେତେବେଳେ ସେ ଆଧ୍ୟାତ୍ସିକ ଚିନ୍ତା କରିବା ଉଚିତ। କିନ୍ତୁ ବହୁ ଲୋକ କେବଳ ଭୌତିକ ଜଗତ ବିଷୟରେ ଆଗ୍ରହାନ୍ୱିତ ଓ ପାର୍ଥିବ ସୁଖ ସ୍ୱାଛ୍ଳସ୍ୟ ପ୍ରତି ଅନୁରକ୍ତ ଥାନ୍ତି। ସେମାନେ ତାଙ୍କର ମୃତ ଦେହ ପ୍ରତି ଆସକ୍ତି ଛାଡ଼ି ପାରନ୍ତି ନାହିଁ; କାରଣ ସେମାନେ ମୃତ୍ୟୁ ପରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ସୂକ୍ଷ୍ଣତର ଲୋକମାନଙ୍କରେ ଅବସ୍ଥାନ କରିବା ବିଷୟରେ କିଛି କାଶି ନଥାନ୍ତି। କେତେକ ସେହି ମୃତ ଦେହ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ପଶି ପଶି ପାର୍ଥିବ ଜଗତ ସମ୍ପର୍କରେ ଆସିବାକୁ ଚେଷା କରନ୍ତି। ମୃତ ଦେହ ପୋଡ଼ି ଦେଲେ ଏହା ଆଉ ସୟବ ନୁହେଁ।

(୨) ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟ ଦୃଷ୍ଟିରୁ ମଧ୍ୟ ମୃତ ଦେହକୁ ପୋଡ଼ିଦେବା ଭଲ; କାରଶ ମୃତ ଦେହକୁ ପୋଡ଼ି ନ ଦେଲେଡ ତାହାର ଅବଶେଷ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଅନ୍ୟ ଲୋକମାନଙ୍କର ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟହାନି ହୋଇପାରେ । ପୋଡ଼ିଦେଲେ ମୃତ ଦେହର କୌଶସି ଅବଶେଷ ରହେ ନାହିଁ, ଯାହା ଅନ୍ୟ ଲୋକର ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟରେ କ୍ଷତି କରିବ ।

(୩) ଛାୟା ଶରୀରରୁ ପ୍ରାଣଶକ୍ତିର ଅପସାରଣ ପରେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଅନେକ ମୃତ ବ୍ୟକ୍ତି ସେହି ମୃତ ଛାୟା ଶରୀର ସାହାଯ୍ୟରେ ମୃତ ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ସମ୍ପର୍କରେ ଆସିବାକୁ ଚେଷ୍ଟା କରନ୍ତି । ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରକୁ କବର ଦିଆ ଯାଇଥିଲେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଏପରି ଚେଷ୍ଟା କରିବା ସୟବ ହୁଏ । ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ଦଗ୍ଧ ହୋଇଥିଲେ ଏହା ଆଉ ସୟବ ହୁଏ ନାହିଁ ।

(୪) ଦଗ୍ଧୀଭୂତ ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀର ଉପରେ ଅନିଷ୍ଠକାରୀ ଯାଦୁ ବିଦ୍ୟା ସୟବ ନୁହେଁ କିନ୍ତୁ ଦଗ୍ଧୀଭୂତ ନ ହୋଇଥିବା ଭୌତିକ ଶରୀରକୁ ଅନିଷ୍ଠକାରୀ ଯାଦୁ ବିଦ୍ୟାରେ ବ୍ୟବହୃତ କରାଯାଇପାରେ ଓ ଏହାଦ୍ୱାରା ଭବଲୋକରେ ମନୁଷ୍ୟର ବହୁ ଅନିଷ୍ଠ ହୁଏ ।