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18<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**

**President Shri Pradeep H Gohil with  
Presidents & Secretaries of Federations**

**BTF Represented by President Bro. Vinayak  
Pandya and Treasurer Bro. Taral Munshi.**

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**MISSION OF TS**

***To serve humanity by cultivating an ever deepening  
understanding and realization of the Ageless Wisdom,  
spiritual self-transformation and the unity of all life***

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***BRO. ARNI NARENDRAN  
OPENS TS INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITY  
FOR YOUTH OF BOMBAY***

***World Federation of Young Theosophists (WFYT)***

Bro Arni Narendran, Honorary Treasurer of the Blavatsky Lodge, Mumbai, has been made an Honorary Member of the International Youth Body of the Theosophical Society. The Age limit of participation in the WFYT is forty years, however **the Board of Officers have a mandate to invite members of the TS as an Hon. Member regardless of age.** Bro Arni as you know was active in the Theosophical Movement from his University days. He also served as a resident Coordinator of the International Theosophical Youth Centre, at the Adyar Headquarters of the Theosophical Society. More recently, he was the Education Director, of the Virtual Centre of Theosophical Studies – a youth-oriented platform in spreading

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**TS Youth of the World with Int President Tim Boyd on terrace outside J. Krishnamurthy's Room in Head Quarters (see the tablet on wall)**

Theosophy, who's founding Director, was Bro Luke Ironside, a native of Guernsey in the Channel Islands, England. **The VCTS however ceased to exist in the light of reviving the WFYT after the June 2022, Naarden – World Theosophical Youth Conference.** Bro Arni continues to be engaged with youth meditation groups in Singapore, Philippines, Australia, England, Sri Lanka, Holland, and the United States of America.

**The Vienna Theosophical Conference in 1923 gave Birth to the Young Theosophical Movement. It was however in 1925 that the General Council gave official recognition to the World Federation of Young Theosophists, with George S Arundale as Hon President and Rukmani Devi as President.** Brother John Coats along with Alex Elmore became the joint Secretary. The Headquarters was earlier situated in Porto Alegre in Brazil. Joy Mills, John Algeo, Radha Burnier, Dora Kunz, Marja Artma, Arend Heijbroek, Isis Resende, Charles Checkrow, Nathaniel Altman, Ananya Sriram and many other prominent Theosophists were at one time active in the group. After the Presidency of Arnaldo Sisson Philo and his departure, the organization went into a pause mode. It was the

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International Theosophical Youth Conference at ITC, Naarden in June 2022, that decided to reactivate the organization, **shifting its Headquarters to Adyar - Chennai**. A worldwide election was conducted, and a new Board of officers was constituted. **Bro Tim Boyd is the Patron and Honorary President**. Brandon Goh, Catalina Isaza Cantor, Christopher See, Elena Bessie Campione, Merike Marseppe, Sara Ortega and Seth Edwards are the New Elected Members of the Board. **The Honorary Members invited by the Board are:**

Arend Heijbroek – Netherlands  
 Arni Narendran – India  
 Choong Tsui Wei - Singapore  
 Enca Georgiades – Greece  
 Isis Resende – Brazil  
 Juliana Cesano – Argentina/USA  
 Marja Artamaa – Finland/Adyar  
 Pablo Sender – Argentina/USA  
 Vic Hao Chin - Philippines



**Young Theosophist of World underneath the Banyan Tree of Adyar**

**Any member of the Theosophical Society under the age of forty is eligible to apply for its membership.** The WFYT page is available on Facebook and Twitter handle both in English and Spanish language. They hold **virtual programmes** in both the languages **and**

also in In-person conferences in Adyar and at ITC Naarden.  
Their e mail [info.wfyt@gmail.com](mailto:info.wfyt@gmail.com).

*Report by: Sis. Kashmira Khambatta, President- Blavatsky Lodge, Mumbai*

*Editor adds: Brethren, please spread information about World Federation of Young Theosophists to youth of your family and friends. Bro. Arni will be happy to guide –*

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***HOLI KE RANGO KI 'SARAGAM'***  
***Sooron ke Moti, Bandhutva ki Mala***  
***Musical Notes depicting colors of Holi***  
***Pearls of Music, String of Brotherhood***

**TS TRIVENI TUESDAY MEET**  
**INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE – COLOURS OF MUSIC**  
**ONLINE-HOLI FESTIVAL**  
**ON TUESDAY 7th MARCH 2023**  
**MULTI-FEDERATIONS UNIQUE MEET**  
**A MUSICAL JOURNEY WITH -**  
**MUSIC - EMOTION - DEVOTION**  
**MULTI LANGUAGES MULTI SINGERS**

JANSHREE KANNAN HINDI	VASUMATI ASINHOTRI HINDI	REENA JI ODIA	SANJAY POTTEY MARATHI & HINDI
SUVRALINA MOHANTY KANNADA	CHANDRIKA MEHTA HINDI	SARVATI HODIA GUJARATI & HINDI	LAHELI MALJUMDAR BENGALI
ZINOO MALYER ENGLISH	DEEPIKA AP TAMIL	PRACHI MATHUR HINDI	RAJESHWARI DASH HINDI
SHREYAS TALANKI KANNADA	TARAL MURKHI MODERATOR	SHRVA, ROHIT & JYOTI LODGES JOINT MEET	

**JOIN ON ZOOM**  
**8:00 PM TO 9:00 PM IST**  
**ZOOM Meeting ID:**  
**83138784834**  
**Password:**  
**821153**

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**One more innovative creativity of TRIVENI MEET** with Multi Federations, Multi Languages, Multi Singers with emotional, joyous, devotional songs.

**TS Member Singers from Varanasi to Adyar and Gujarat to Bengal were** : Jaishree Kannan, Vasumati Agnihotri, Reena Ji, Sanjay Potey, Suvralina Mohanty, Chandrika Mehta, Smruti Hora, Saheli Majumdar, Zinoo Master, Deepika AP, Prachi Mathur, Rajeshwari Dave, Shreyas Talanki with Taral Munshi of TRIVENI as Moderator.

**The Languages were:** Hindi, Gujarati, English, Marathi, Odia, Bengali, Tamil. Kannada and even Sanskrit.

**The Songs depicted** joy & colors of Holi including Krishna playing Holi, devotion, spiritual aspirations and inspiration for spiritual life.

***Congratulations and Thank You***

***Bro. Taral Munshi for Musical String of Brotherhood***

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### ***PROPAGATION***

**Sis. Havovi Sukhadwala, TOS Life Member and Nutritionist** is spreading awareness about Vegetarianism and progress of soul after death. With her talks she is distributing **C. W. Leadbeater's books** '*Vegetarianism and Occultism*' and '*To Those who Mourn*'.

**Sis. Viloo Adajania, Secretary Shanti Lodge TS** gives Theosophical articles in News Papers. In November 2022 weekly issue of Parsi Times her **article on 'Are you ready for 'The Journey'?** was published. In simple words based on **Dr. Douglas Baker's book 'Man, Know Thyself'** she conveyed: '*Life is the flow of becoming, so the journey is the progress of becoming. On this journey there is no goal, for Journey is the Goal for man who is an Imprisoned Splendor*'.

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***Bombay Theosophical Federation Goals 2022-2023***  
***Approved at***  
***Indian Section TS SMART Goal Meet, Varanasi 18th –***  
***19th March 2023***

**Bombay Theosophical Federation Goals for 2022-2023 (up to 30th September 2023) were represented by President Bro. Vinayak Pandya and Treasurer Bro. Taral Munshi are:**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>GOALS</b>	<b>Weightage %</b>	<b>Target Achievement Date</b>
1	To maintain ONLINETRIVENI TUESDAY MET every week through efforts of Bro. Taral Munshi	10	30-09-2023
2	To revive Four Dormant Lodges.	10	30-09-2023
3	To encourage MORE 15 members to speak at Red Letter Days, Annual Sessions and other Theosophical events and to groom the second line workers.	05	30-09-2023
4	To start THEO-JYOTI, a Theosophy Web News Channel live on all Social Media formats – Face Book, You Tube, Instagram etc.	30	30-09-2023
5	To conduct Two ‘Reach Out Programmes with students of schools and colleges on Theosophical Themes. FUNDA-Theosophy Through Arts (TTA) and Theosophy Through Theater (TTT).	10	30-09-2023

6	To conduct one Study Camp at Bhowali along with Gujarat Federation and one with Marathi Federation in Mumbai.	10	30-09-2023
7	To increase Net Membership from 231as of 30th September 2022 to 300 (30%).	15	30-09-2023
8	To organize a Jamubhai Dani debate competition along with Junior Red Cross on Theosophical Subject.	05	30-09-2023
9	To organize a Minoo Mullan debate and elocution competition along with Youth Red Cross on Theosophical subject.	05	30-09-2023
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	

**BTF Goal of 2020-2022 to create Jyoti E-Lodge flowered with innovative virtual platform of Bro. Taral Munshi named Theo-Jyoti TUESDAY TRIVENI MEET encompassing number of Federations of Indian Section was greatly appreciated by President Shri Pradeep Gohil and all Federation Representatives.**

**Bro. Taral Munshi's proposal of 'Theo-Jyoti News Channel' live on Social Medias was welcomed by all.**

**BTF Membership Records as of March 2023 were checked with Indian Section Records by President Bro. Vinayak Pandya and Treasurer Bro. Taral Munshi.** For Membership of number of Members Revival Request Letters need to be sent to Indian Section. In month of June 2023 Lodges will have to take their members' signatures on the list, which will be sent by Indian Section for continuation of their membership in 2023-2024. BTF will give the required information to the Lodges.



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## *Fragments of the Ageless Wisdom*

*Courtesy: The Theosophist March 2023*

### Introduction to The Golden Verses of Pythagoras

The ripe sayings of the Ageless Wisdom, as spoken again in the world of Greece – a world so much vaster than the area of the Greek peninsula – are somewhat fading from the minds born anew into the burying life of the 20th century West. But the West cannot afford to let them fade away, for more than ever they are needed now to breathe their undying music into the ears stunned with the clashing discords of a materialistic and luxurious civilization. Life grows too crowded and too showy; crowded, not full – for crowd is from without, fullness from within; showy, not splendid – for show is the veneer of wealth covering a base metal, while splendor is the gleam of the golden thread of stateliness interwoven with the silken web of noble character. Sorely is needed in such a life the strong, pure teaching of the elder days, when learning was held to be richer than wealth and simplicity finer than lavishness. The Greece of Pythagoras, with its mathematics and music – order and harmony – has message for the modern nations, disorderly and discordant, and this message may best come through those who, their own natures attuned by brooding over the Pythagorean wisdom, can teach by life more than by word *“the Beauty which was Greece”*.

One of the Master-Builders of old was Pythagoras; he **brought from Ind[IA] the wisdom of the BUDDHA**, and translated it into Greek thought, adding to its austere grandeur the beauty characteristic of Greece.... Those whose thought runs on Greek lines will here find the oldest wisdom garbed in Grecian grace, retaining the beauty of simplicity and adding the fairness of form. May those who read be drawn to meditate; may those who meditate find the hidden treasures. So will modern Western life become gradually permeated with a refining,

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ennobling influence, and schools of Pythagorean thought will do for the modern nations what the school of Pythagoras did for ancient Greece.      – *Annie Besant*

**From The Golden Verses of Pythagoras**

...Make him thy friend who distinguishes himself by his virtue.  
(Verse 5)

Avoid as much as possible hating thy friend for a slight fault.  
(Verse 7)

Know that all these things are as I have told thee; and accustom thyself to overcome and vanquish these passions:

First gluttony, sloth, sensuality, and anger.

Do nothing evil, neither in the presence of others, nor privately;

But above all things respect thyself.

In the next place, observe justice in thy actions and in thy words.

And accustom not thyself to behave thyself in anything without rule, and without reason.      (Verses 9-14)

And that the goods of fortune are uncertain; and that as they may be acquired, so may they likewise be lost. Concerning all the calamities that men suffer by divine fortune, Support with patience thy lot, be it what it may, and never repine at it. But endeavor what thou canst to remedy it. And consider that fate does not send the greatest portion of these           misfortunes           to           good           men.  
 (Verses 16-20)

Observe well, on every occasion, what I am going to tell thee:-Let no man either by his words, or by his deeds, ever seduce thee.  
 (Verse 24-25)

In no wise neglect the health of thy body; But give it drink and food in due measure, and also needed exercise.   (Verses 35-36)

Never suffer sleep to close thy eyelids, after thy going to bed,

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Till thou hast examined by thy reason all thy actions of the day.  
Wherein have I done amiss? What have I done? What have I omitted  
that I ought to have done? (Verses 40-42)

Practice thoroughly all these things; meditate on them well; thou  
ought to love them with all thy heart. 'Tis they that will put thee in  
the way of divine virtue. (Verses 45-46)

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***Sd. M. R. Dalal ( Publisher )***

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**BTF & LODGE PROGRAMMES APRIL 2023**
**BLAVATSKY LODGE:** 7 – French Bridge, Mumbai 400007

[Tel:23685026](tel:23685026) (M):9821459504 (M):9819334333

DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th	6.00 pm	Study of ‘Theosophy Explained with Questions & Answers by P. Pavri’ conducted by Bro. Arni Narendran
Friday 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th	6.00 pm Hybrid	Study of ‘Inner Life _-Series II’ by C. W. Leadbeater conducted by Sis. Aban Patel
Sunday 23rd	10.45am	Maitreya Round Table & Healing Group

**JYOTI LODGE:** c/o Bro. Taral Munshi, Goregaon, Mumbai 400065

DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th	6.30 to 8.00 pm	TRIVENI Meet <b>Virtual on Zoom</b> with Three Languages, Three Speakers, Three Lodges / Federations on Theosophy / Spirituality Hosted by Bro. Taral & Sis. Archana Munshi

**VASANTA LODGE:** c/o Bro. Vinayak Pandya, Santa Cruz (E), Mumbai 400055

DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th	6.00 pm	GURUDEV GOSHTHI <b>virtual on Zoom</b> to study Gujarati books on Theosophy & Spirituality hosted by Bro. Bhavesh Pandya and Sis. Archana Munshi

**VIMADALAL BILIA / GANESH LODGES:** Family House, Dadar Parsi Colony, Mumbai 400014

DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Thursdays Fortnightly	6.00 pm	Theosophical & Religious Talks

**JAMSHED MEHTA LODGE:** C/o Bro. Noor Baig, 43 – Shangrila, colony entrance next to the Church, opp. Colaba Post Office, Colaba, Mumbai 400005

DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Third Saturdays	5.30 pm	Learning Theosophy from Life Experiences

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