



Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE SAMAJ AUDITORIUM ON SUNDAY 29 MAY 2016 AT 3:00 PM

1. PRAYER & WELCOME

The Secretary-General, Miheerbhai Joshi, commenced proceedings with a prayer and one minutes silence in memory of all community members who passed away since the last AGM. He welcomed all members present and declared the AGM as declared nul & void as the required quorum was not met by clause 12 of the constitution.

A unanimous decision was taken by the Execo committee to postpone the meeting for another date.

It was than agreed that the reconstituted AGM would take place on Monday 6 June 2016 at the Multi Media Centre, class room 1 at the Seva Samaj

2. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

According to the attendance register a record of 28 people attended. A formal apology from Pravinbhai Daya was received

The meeting was terminated with a closing prayer.

Duly signed

Navnit Bhima

(Assistant Secretary)

MINUTES OF THE RE-CONSTITUTED AGM OF 6 JUNE 2016 AT 7:30PM AT THE SAMAJ MULTI MEDIA ROOM

Held at : The Boardroom, Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj

Date : MONDAY, 6 JUNE 2016

Time : 19:30

Agenda	Minute/Motion/Decision	Adopted by
Attendance	Attendance as per signed register (listed below), The meeting started at 7:45pm Sailesh Bhagattjee, Vinay Chagan, Pravin Daya , Miheer Joshi , Uttam Ramjee, Jayantilal Ramjee, Kishore Naran , Harshad Pema, Jackeyson R Heera, Girish Daya , Krisnalal Calien , Pavan Gandhi , Naren Modi , Harshad Keshav, Navnit Bhima, Viral Patel , Pranay Devchand, Arvind Chhagan, Premee Singh , Vineet Rama , Kishor Naran , Naresh Kallan , Raman Rama , Jyoti Joshi , Bharti Calien , Jasmin Magan Govind , Urvi Mehta, Madhu Modi	
Prayer and Welcome	Miheerbhai as chair of the meeting, opened the meeting with a prayer and welcomed all present	
Minutes of the Previous AGM	The secretary presented the AGM Minutes of the 17 May 2015 The minutes were accepted as true and accurately presented and accepted unanimously by the house	Harshilaben Proposes and Pavanbhai seconded.
Minutes of the BGM elections	The secretary presented the BGM minutes of the 21st of February 2016 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate presentation and accepted unanimously by the house	Harshadbhai proposes and second Pavanbhai
Matters Arising	No matters arising from either of the minutes were raised by the house.	
Secretarial Report	Miheerbhai delivered the secretarial report on behalf of the secretariat The highlights were : - Youth are the key, focus and highest loss or opportunity - Some fundamentals needs to be reconfigured - the Gujarati school, communication and engagements. - The hall needs a major re-design to keep it as a venue of choice - The Marabastad plots offer a unique opportunity but it is a gigantic undertaking that requires the entire community	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Tshwane Diwali joint project is currently being negotiated 	
President's Report	<p>Pranaybhai delivered the presidents report to the house and the highlights were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth are the focus and future. the Navyug requires immediate and profound re-igniting - The community must get involved hands on into the Samaj - He thanked the school staff for their dedication and service to education - The Marabastad plots need massive effort from everyone 	
Chairman of the Board of Trustees Report	<p>Pravinbhai Daya , the chairman, delivered his address to the meeting</p> <p>Highlights of his report were :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Samaj's administration and finances are being run well and with diligence - The Marabastad plots are the biggest project that the Samaj must progress - The Internal audit was held on the 9th of May 2016 and was satisfactory 	
Financial Report	<p>Harshadbhai presented the report as at 31/12/2015</p> <p>Some of the highlights included: Growth of 26% , Rental income and hall hire are the most significant revenue contributors R90k was collected for the Nepal disaster fund. Student numbers in Balmandir has grown to 82 Gujarati school pupils have dropped slightly to 32 Donations from religious activities indicated a decline</p> <p>The 2016 Financial Statements would be presented with greater disclosure, detailing Student loans, Bursary Funds within the Equity Disclosure.</p>	
Appointment of Auditor	<p><i>The following motions were put to the house</i></p> <p>"We present hereby mandate the exco to put advertise a tender for the audit services of the Samaj Financials of the year 2016 with immediate effect"</p>	<p>Proposed by Kishorebhai Naran ,</p> <p>Seconded by Urmilaben</p>

	<p>The motion was unanimously adopted by all present with no objections</p> <p>"We present , hereby approve the brining of the book-keeping services in-house with immediate effect to be agreed and reviewed annually "</p> <p>The motion was unanimously adopted by all present with no objections</p>	<p>Proposed by Saileshbhai Bhagatjee and seconded by Urmilaben</p>
Amendments to the constitution	<p>Miheerbhai declared that no amendments were received within the advertised deadline.</p> <p>However an amendment to allow the a person to be nominated for more than one elected office position on the executive and or trustees, was received after the cut-off and was therefore not tabled for consideration, but disclosure of this was made to the house for completeness.</p>	
Question time on reports	<p>Secretarial report - No questions were raised</p> <p>President's report - No questions were raised</p> <p>Chairman's report - no questions were raised</p> <p>Financial report - The following queries were raised:</p> <p>Bursary funds. Clearer disclosure on the Narsibhai Valiben Manga fund.</p> <p>Disclosure of the stands and their valuation must be included in the financials with careful consideration to the "23 year no sale" conditions and their required accounting treatment.</p>	
General	<p>Marabastad Stands</p> <p>Saileshbhai presented an update to the meeting on the Marabastad Stands</p> <p>The project has a working title of Project Barkat</p> <p>A project team of professionals - quantity surveyors, town planners etc has been sourced.</p> <p>Public engagements at regular key crossroads to obtain mandates on a rolling basis will be convened.</p> <p>There are 11 Stands (8 and 3) of approx 236 sqm.</p> <p>Discussions to swap one stand to ensure all stands are one continuous piece of land are at an advanced stage</p>	

	<p>Consolidation or keeping them separate will depend on development options. A notarial consolidation is being considered and explored</p> <p>A Suggestion was made from the floor for adopting the leasehold model for leasing to developer - this will be taken under consideration by the team.</p> <p>Work on the servitude is also being addressed.</p> <p>There is a stipulated 23 years no-sale clause on the allocated erf's</p>	
Prime Minister of India Visit	<p>The PM of India, Honourable Narendrabhai Modi will be hosted by the South African Indian community at a cultural event on the 8th of July.</p> <p>Details are evolving rapidly as the event has to be delivered within 4 weeks. Many community organisations across the country have supported the initiative.</p> <p>The event will take place in Randburg. The SPHSS should make a R50k contribution to the event.</p> <p>The attendees felt that the amount was too large to be committed from the Samaj coffers and an appeal should go out to the community for sponsors/supporters to contribute. The collected funds will then be presented via the SPHSS.</p> <p>There was a view expressed that the Samaj should contribute immediately and recovery of all or part of the funds from the community as the second step. The house was not in agreement and voted to request the community to donate funds. An email for such appeal will be circulated.</p> <p>Budget for the programme was in excess of R3m and would include the Cultural Programme as well as Broadcasting rights.</p>	
Closing Prayers	<p>The meeting ended at 9:45pm with a closing prayer.</p>	

SECRETARIAL REPORT

Introduction

Namaste, Jai Shree Krishna, Jai Swaminarayan and Aum namah Shivaya to our respected elders, guests, trustees, fellow officials and valued members of the community in attendance today.

It is with great joy that I present my first secretarial report to the house after taking on the role on an interim basis in Dec 2015 and elected to the post in 2016. As such I have opted to reflect on my tenure thus far and raise some exciting new initiatives that I would like to see brought to life. The impact of these will significantly improve the communication, interaction and sense of belonging to the Samaj. More of this later.

Global Summary

It is my desire to use this report to highlight the spirit, challenges and opportunities that the Samaj faces:

1. *Community and membership of the Samaj*

The Trustees and Executive Committee members have resolved and re-committed to focussing on this fundamental pillar of the Samaj. A unified community working for the indigent, poor and needy whilst preserving culture and cohesion is the prime focus and purpose of the Samaj.

- The election of new trustees has been a major bridge in linking the now diverse communities the Samaj serves.
- All events will actively include other community organisation such as BAPS , AOL, ShivYog etc to create a cohesive and wider base of participants in the planning and execution of events
- The Samaj has a massive pool of untapped and unutilised resources and skills amongst the community. It is our challenge to create an information store to capture these skills so that we can provide opportunities for seva to the community via contribution of such skills.

Transforming the Samaj structure from a top heavy organisation with decision makers without resources to deliver on these - into a structure that is driven from the ground up i.e. the sub-committees drive the energy, pace and activity of the Samaj.

The presentation of minutes to the community is being reviewed to get more active participation from the recipients. The minutes are being used as means to get information about the Samaj and this should be done through more effective and better means such as newsletters etc.

The active membership of the Samaj is an extremely challenging area that has haunted executive committees over last decades. Inspiring the community, especially the youth and the time gifted senior citizens to actively get involved in the Samaj is our key goal.

2. *Education*

The Bal Mandir continues to consolidate its attendance with another increase in scholars this year. The school continues to mature its profile and image with branding, t-shirts, a more holistic offering of activities etc. It is good, let's make it great!

A deep re-think of the Gujarati School is many years overdue and requires us as a community to address the hard questions so as to re-invent the format so that

the primary aim of protecting our language is effectively achieved. Adopting technology and an engaging new format will increase the appeal significantly.

The multi-media centre is structurally complete and awaiting equipment investment which is being progressed. The opportunities this centre will create had significant and potentially life enhancing for the senior citizens and school.

Investment into the school building is on-going with two ground floor classrooms having been renovated and the playground getting a new, child friendly surface shortly. This will ensure that children are free to play in a safer environment.

3. *Health, Welfare and Social Services for our community*

Jyotiben Joshi and her portfolio members have been the tireless, unsung heroes of our community seva. They are a small team of highly committed and dedicated ladies who go above and beyond reasonableness to serve the community. The senior citizen's club continues to be a focal point for the elderly where education, current affairs, health issues and comradery is fostered. We need to actively tap into the collective wisdom that is latent within this group to the benefit of the youth. Their key activities are:

Ongoing support and assistance to needy families in our community;

Regular senior citizens meetings , health awareness, and medical days;

Distribution of Diwali hampers;

Mother's and Father's day celebration as well as a Valentine's day

Senior citizens outings and occasions such as picnics, movies, dinners, diabetes and blood pressure testing, health awareness continue as usual.

We do however need to develop a younger team looking at stronger ladies groups similar to that of the Bharti Shree Mandal to look after Women empowerment.

4. *Religious & Cultural achievements of the Community*

Our new resident priest , Shri Sunilbhai Bhatt together with the Religion & Cultural Committee continue to work selflessly but with honour to host our Tahevaars or religious observances with great pomp and well rooted scriptural relevance. It is important that we re-inforce the foundations of our religion via well, planned and executed celebrations so that we attract all members of the community and instil pride and custodianship to our Hinduism core. It is my intention to motivate the exco and RCC to deliver innovative and exciting formats to attract youth and adults alike to have truly immersive experiences so that a positive and lasting association is created with our culture and religion.

5. *Youth involvement in our Community*

The Navyug Mandal has been the de facto youth element of the SPHSS. Its integration into the Samaj, in my opinion, has snubbed out the very flame that drive youth to excitement and to get involved so that they make a difference. The Exco is currently looking at giving back the autonomy of governance and funding to the Navyug with the intention that left to their own self-determination, youth, by their very nature, will embrace the freedom and opportunities to create a legacy of their own. We are haemorrhaging youth and offering absolutely nothing to excite and invigorate them. They are the future leaders of the community and need to be set free to excel and achieve great things. It is a bold, yet righteous approach to ensure that as the advisory body of wisdom and experience we, the Samaj can engage the youth as equals rather than as a regulated sub-committee. We want to steer their direction and not dictate the methods and judge their ideas. We should be the safety net that allows them to attempt bold things and protect them if things don't go well. The youth are absolutely critical to the fundamental existence of the Samaj.

6. *Financial Management*

The Samaj finances are extremely simple. In this light the Treasurer will table proposals to bring the day to day finance in-house as we have full time office staff who currently perform 80% of the work. This will allow savings from in-sourcing but also ensure more detailed accounts and for the first time, real management insight into the dynamics within the 5 core areas of premises, school , Mandir, Social work and the bursary/ loan fund.

7. *Upkeep of the Premises*

Facilities Management under a very passionate and hands-on Vineetbhai Rama and his team have continued to do a sterling job of maintaining the premises on this site as well as the Samaj premises in Marabastad.

- The Samaj gardens have been maintained and there is a member of the community who has expressed deep dedication to a design that they have invested years and passion in creating. It is my intention to use this contribution to further enhance the appeal of the Samaj gardens.

The Samaj premises require regular and sympathetic maintenance. The roofs, guttering, facia boards, walls, windows etc demand constant upkeep, monitoring and maintenance. The building also has finally been identified with the new SPHSS signboard.

The Samaj hall is one of the largest revenue earners for the community in Laudium. We need to invest in this asset so that it remains an attractive venue of choice for events. To this end, we need to challenge the current trends in venue design with a major overhaul as the goal. Procuring a full set of tables, chairs and kitchen equipment is extremely important. Rethinking the attraction of a sit down

function by linking the kitchen to the main hall for example are the fundamentally radical ideas that we need to fully investigate and implement if it ensures the hall remains a viable and attractive choice for weddings etc. This takes vision and concerted effort.

The Mandir needs to be constantly maintained and presented well so that all congregation members feel great pride and joy when at the Mandir.

8. *General highlights over the year include:*

The Council has officially transferred 11 stands in Marabastad to the Samaj and now the mammoth task of planning what to do with this opportunity is upon us. Saileshbhai will present his approach and the strategy to arrive at a proposal so that you, the community can decide what the best utilisation of these assets are.

The Diwali fireworks was a resounding success and negotiations to create a Tshwane council partnered Diwali festival for 2016 are well progressed;

The updated directories are finally about to be delivered and this will bring a long standing issue to close; Lessons learnt from this are that we need to constantly maintain an accurate database of residents and members so that the directory becomes a valuable asset to the community.

A review of the Samaj website, its purpose, its effectiveness and how to get a lot more out of it is planned for the third quarter of 2016. The intention is to make the website the focal point of information.

9. *YouGov*

The secretariat would like to transform the way in which the Samaj communicates and engages the community. YouGov is the plan that empowers you, the members to drive the decision making in the Samaj. Apathy from members denies the community from achieving great things. A delightful idiom comes to mind – **Good is the killer of Great !** The exco are not caretakers of the Samaj. We all have the responsibility to grow, enhance and excel the Samaj. Even just a single small improvement in every area will be a resounding success. You are the power that drives the Samaj to success or mediocrity. We need you to be vocal yet at the same time roll up your sleeves and get involved in transforming the Samaj into the compassionate, seva focussed , highly innovative, youth and Senior's centric, religion educating organisation that it so desperately wants and needs to be.

Thank you for your attention and appreciation of my report.

Jai Shree Krishna!

Miheerbhai Joshi
SECRETARY GENERAL

Navnitbhai Bhima
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

President's Report

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF SHREE PRETORIA HINDU SEVA SAMAJ ON 29 MAY 2016

Namaste to the youth present, elders, our priest Sunilbhai, members of the Board of Trustees, all present and especially the EXCO. I have deliberately begun greeting the youth and the intention for this will become clearer in my presentation.

It is my privilege to present my report at the AGM today. Firstly I would once again like to thank all members of the SPHSS that are present. Your presence gives me an indication that you are concerned, interested and supportive of the matters of the SPHSS or else you would be at home relaxing and reading the Sunday paper or watching the IPL final waiting for the minutes and reports to come to you via email, so thank you for being here.

A presidential report is supposed to provide a comprehensive report on all activities the Samaj had undertaken the previous year. I will just be repeating most of what the chairperson of the Board of Trustees discussed as well as the presentation by our very eloquent Secretary General, and the special projects presentation that is still to come. With the privilege of having this information I have decided to touch on reporting and spend more of my time on the future of the SPHSS.

From a chaotic 17th May 2015 where a hotly contested elective AGM was halted and declared null and void to the present EXCO and Trustees being elected unopposed on 21 February 2016 has said many things to many members of our community. I was personally requested by many to take on the position as president because I seem to be neutral and do not belong to a camp or sect of our community and yet am vocal enough to challenge when I have an opposing view. This inspired me to look for members in our community who are willing to serve and assist the community without developing a tendency to enforce their own ideologies but to listen to the people and try to serve them. In today's research on leadership it is called "service leadership" and was coined by Robert K Greenleaf as early as 1970.

We are still seeking to expand the EXCO and include more members who may subscribe to this kind of philosophy of leadership. We still need to stabilise our youth wing, education and secretariat. Let me spend a bit of time of this aspect.

Secretariat:

Presently we have an interim assistant secretary and are still on the lookout for competent members of our community that have regularly been involved in the Samaj but from a distance, as a SPHSS member only. It is time to put up your hand and join a young team that require guidance and support from more experienced members of the community.

Education

I have personally run this portfolio for more than five years in the role of education and the academic financial programme. Deepikabhen has taken on the role but it does need to be separated as two aspects in order to strengthen and grow ideas in these two key areas, namely the Academic Financial Support Portfolio (Bursary & Loans) and Education Portfolio

Navyug (Youth)

This area is personally my major concern. Like any father that works hard for his children, as the President and an educationist at heart I have the view that we are doing all of this for the youth of today. If we are not able to galvanise their support and involvement then we are failing. We have members that show some interest but seem not to be able to bypass the issue of personalities. Dhruvbhai has done an excellent job and has become quite involved with growing his career and rightfully so which has led to him not always being around. We need to have leadership and more mass participation. This has to be a challenge for all of us. I think it starts with the parents supporting the idea of SPHSS and nudging their children in that direction.

The SPHSS has never been run in a more transparent and efficient manner before and this was thanks to previous EXCO members and Boards of Trustees. We are in a position where we truly can stand on the shoulders of giants giving us the vision of hindsight in order to have the foresight too.

I attended the meeting that took place on 25 May 2016 at the Laudium Civic Centre where the Premier of Gauteng, David Makhura and the Minister of Finance, Pravin Gordon, addressed the community of Laudium. They spoke to a packed hall. I was truly impressed with the crowd present but disappointed with the poor turnout of our Samaj members. The apathetic involvement by our community is not going to allow us to have a strong imprint on any aspects. We have obtained 11 plots in the Marabastad area and need to look at the expansion of our community into other areas. This should provide the financial stability to allow us to do so but we need all involved in some capacity. It could be through Donors, Sponsors and Investors. We need holistic support and will be knocking on your doors if you are not knocking on our doors. We need to understand the migration of our youth to areas outside of the previous Indian only areas and cater for this. We need to build places of worship, structures to gather and celebrate other festivities and keep our eye on the bigger picture in the South Africa that we call home. I know that I am speaking to the involved/"converted" but am hoping that those who read this via email will be impacted upon too.

It is not all that bad though; we have excellently supported festivities like, Hanuman Chalisa, Navaratri, Holi etc. We have an EXCO that work tirelessly to improve their portfolios and regularly conclude meeting past midnight. We have improved our campus in Laudium and Marabastad. Thanks to Vineetbhai who works tirelessly in improving and maintaining the two precincts. We are looking after the funds donated / generated meticulously so we were able to improve on our assets and have maintained them effectively, in-fact it has never looked this good. We have improved our support to members of our community and need to look at our role played to the weakest link in our community as all of you will know, we are as strong as our weakest link. We would still like to expand our Academic Financial loans to include FET Colleges as this will include learners that may not have the academic ability to pursue a university degree but can become active members of SPHSS in all respects. It is our duty to see where we are not covering and move to turn those shortfalls into wins.

I still want to close using this quotation of John F Kennedy that he made at his inaugural address on 20 January 1961, with some modification, “Ask not what the Samaj can do for you but what you can do for the Samaj”.

Jay Swami Narayan, Jay Sai Ram, Jayshree Krishna, Jayshree Param tma.

Namaste once again to all and thank you for attending

Regards,

Pranaybhai Devchand

Report by Chairman of the Board of Trustees

ANNUAL REPORT-BOARD OF TRUSTEES-AGM 29 MAY 2016

Namaste to our revered elders , members of our community , officials of EXCO and the Board of Trustees . A good afternoon to all .

It is indeed my privilege and distinct honour to present this report on behalf of the B of T to you at today's AGM . In my review I must at the outset inform you that our main task as a Board is to ensure that the Executive Committee executes it's functions in a manner that will uphold the Samaj's constitution and promote the welfare and aspirations of the Gujarati community in Pretoria/ Tshwane and surrounding areas . In this regard I am pleased to inform you that the Samaj's administration is very satisfactory mainly due to the efficacy of the EXCO who have continued to build on the solid foundation that was laid since 2009 . On behalf of the community our sincere thanks and appreciation to all of the Executive Committees to date for their efforts in ensuring that the affairs of the Samaj were operated in a professional and efficient manner . Our Board has held regular meetings as dictated to constitutionally and these interactions gave us the opportunities to liaise with the Executive and at the same time ensure that the interests of the broader community are promoted and upheld at all times .

It is also my pleasure to report that the internal audit of the Samaj's administration and financial management has continued and the most recent audit was held on 9 May 2016 . This task was mandated due to an amendment to the constitution which was adopted and approved at the AGM in 2013 . Our reports as well as recommendations have been posted on the

Samaj's website for perusal by our members . It is gratifying to inform you that the audits revealed evidence that the Samaj is progressing and its financial and administration policies are sound and very well maintained . My sincere thanks is extended to the Admin staff of Urvibhen and Vinaybhai for their co-operation during our visit .

On 30 April 2015 the Trustees Board was informed by the EXCO with the excellent news that the 10 plots which were allocated to the Samaj by the Tshwane Metropolitan Council in Marabastad have finally been registered in the name of the Samaj . Since the acquisition of the land the Exco has moved to plan the way forward and have nominated Shaileshbhai Bhagatjee to head this project . Shaileshbhai has already presented a road-map titled " Operation Bharkat " detailing the way forward . I appeal to the community to support him in this venture with heart and soul . We need a united Samaj in this regard . The future of the Samaj , when these stands have been fully developed , will ensure a steady and sound financial position and independence .

On 17 May 2015 the elective AGM had to abandon the election process for new committees due to certain irregularities . Thereafter an exhaustive consultation process was followed by the Interim Exco to break the impasse . It is my pleasure to report to you that this effort resulted in consensus amongst all stakeholders and new elections were successfully held on 21 February 2016 resulting in the composition of the current Exco and B of T . I extend my sincere appreciation to all who contributed their time and effort in resolving this issue.

In conclusion I take this opportunity to record my sincere appreciation to the EXCO and my colleagues on the B of T for their dedication and enthusiastic service to the community . May Parmatma grant you good health to continue your seva to the Samaj . To all past members of the Exco and B of T thank you for your services in ensuring that the Samaj continue to serve the interests of the community in respect of religion , social and educational priorities .

Thank You-Jai Shree Krishna and Hari Om Tat Sat .

Pravin Daya- Chairman-Board of Trustees .

Financial Report

Finance Report of Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj

For the Year Ending 31st December 2015

This financial year, has seen favourable Revenue growth in comparison to prior year.

Revenue has increased by twenty six percentage points, to **R2 085 455** (R1 659 881).

Revenue:

Source	2015	2014	% Change
Hall Hire	393,013	192,270	104%
Religious Functions	141,691	180,438	-21%
Rental Revenue	875,280	816,248	7%
School Fees	374,548	371,351	1%
Sundry	300,923	99,574	202%
Totals	2,085,455	1,659,881	

Figures vary slightly from financials, due to my classification changes.

Trade shows have boosted the Hall Hire Revenue, 2016 sees the return of trade shows as well. The Trade Show organisers do favour our Seva Samaj Hall.

Religious revenue has decreased in the form of Aarti Revenue.

Donations to the value of R90,000 was raised for India's National Disaster Fund.

Our largest contributor to income, Rental Revenue, is 42% of total revenue.

Balmandir & Gujarati School:

Revenue from School fees has been sustained, even with a drop in the number of pupils. Our largest cost is Salaries, which is critical in maintaining high standards in imparting knowledge of Hinduism to our future leaders.

Student Numbers are as follows:

Students Attending	2016	2015	2014
Balmandhir Pupils	82	69	79
Gujarati School Pupils	20	24	41

The cost of one of our teachers is carried by The Gauteng Education Department, reducing Samaj costs of running the school. Another teacher to follow in the near future.

Religious Revenue & Expenditure:

	2015		2014	
	Revenue	Expenditure	Revenue	Expenditure
Aarti Money	28,815	78,88	71,023	44,50
Navratri	33,526	8	23,789	2

Rakshabandan	40,824	5	15,11	48,999	0	13,00
Hanuman Chalisa	38,526	4	66,66	40,031	0	40,03
Diwali Show	65,262	3	33,91	47,678	0	36,00

Property Improvements:

Maintenance costs have reduced this year, due to upgrades that were undertaken in the prior year. 2015 – **R95 159** (2014 – R236 716)

Currently for 2016 we continue upgrades to the Samaj, with improvements to our Classrooms.

Multi Media Centre:

New flooring was placed and painting was completed. Costs incurred R23 000.

The hiring of Multi Media centre has brought in additional revenue. Progress is taking place to complete the project.

Bursaries:

The Bursary loan fund is growing with the generous contributions by our community. We have received a commitment from Mr. Pranaybhai Chagan, who has committed to contribute annually the amount of Twelve thousand rand, from 2015 to 2020. Thanks to his generosity, many more needy recipients would benefit tomorrow.

Six students received Bursary loans for the year, amounting to R112,000. A bursary of R10,000 was also granted from the Narsaibhai & Valibhen Manga Bursary Fund.

Loans repaid amounted to R17,054. Outstanding balance is R443,394.

Presentation of the Bursary fund in the Financial Statements has been questionable as far as disclosure & interpretation. Discussions have transpired to disclose with greater clarity & detail on the next Financials Presented, being 2016.

Liquidity:

Seva Samaj has the following Cash and Bank balances at 31st December 2015.

	2015	2014
Current Account	62,886	62,778
Money Market Account	509,754	342,673
Fixed Deposit	2,500,000	2,500,000
Bursary Fixed Deposit	255,451	254,062
Cash on Hand	13,374	4,017
	3,341,465	3,163,530

Marabastad Stands:

With the title deeds now in the Seva Samaj hands, plans are in progress to generate income through development. Finality would be reached in the near future.

Looking Forward:

The Financial Reports require more clarity and disclosure especially with the bursary fund, and segmented reporting of our three major divisions, Religious & Culture, Rental Revenue & Balmandir & Gujarati School. Better control of allocation and reporting would be achieved through capturing in house.

Our Financial Reporting requires more value added schedules, better disclosure to make informed decisions and interpretation. We seek to improve our Financial Reporting.

We remain committed to serving the Samaj, utilizing our resources efficiently to the benefit of our Hindu community.

On behalf of the Financial Team

Thank You.