

# Sai RAM Trust

## Sai Raiba Ambalal Memorial Trust

Regd.E/18249/Ahmedabad

Newsletter 4

July - August - September 2008

### Contents

- ~ Opening Thoughts - 1
- ~ Foreword - 1
- ~ News & Events - 2
- ~ A good story - 3
- ~ The Grand old man of Indian Science - 4
- ~ Just for laughs - 4
- ~ Life is so beautiful - 5
- ~ Closing Thoughts - 5

### Opening Thoughts

“We explore the stars and the depths of the sea but how much do we know about ourselves and the reason for being here?”

### Foreword

Dear Concerned Friends,

We are happy to present you this fourth issue of the Newsletter. We have great dreams, high spirits and a very long way to go. Your support and involvement has been the greatest strength motivating and driving us ahead. We once again express our hearty acknowledgements for your valuable support.

Inspite of all our best efforts, the establishment of the proposed Institution Centre for Advanced Diploma Studies and Research' (CADSR) is delayed beyond planned schedules for want of suitable premises that has a good ambience of an Institution striving for quality education. We are still on look out for best premises (premises of about 2000 sq ft area around Ashram Road at Ahmedabad).

We have formulated our course contents and curriculum for four courses proposed to be offered. We are in process of appointing faculty members at the earliest. We designed our prospectus. We wish to offer the courses at the most reasonable and minimum course fee for all the students, apart from freeships to talented students from economically deprived students.

We started a new - social change oriented programme on 'Empowering Village Schools'. We began with the Government School at Vahelal village in Daskroi Taluka. Mr. Siva Kumar has initiated a mini 360 degrees feedback exercise to enable behavioral and professional improvement amongst the school teachers, as a part of this programme. We are conducting these programmes free of cost.

Please extend us your continued support and valuable guidance.

With many thanks and kind regards,

Sai RAM Family.

# Sai RAM Trust

## Sai Raiba Ambalal Memorial Trust

Regd.E/18249/Ahmedabad

Newsletter 4

July - August - September 2008

### News and Events

#### **Consultative panel of Honorary Professors, Academic and Industry Experts**

Two Expert Panels are being constituted to shape, coordinate and render expert support to CADSR. We have so far received formal acceptance from Prof. Dr. Shubha Desai (Professor of General Medicine, L.M. College of Medicine, Ahmedabad), Prof. Dr. Shobhana K. Menon (Professor, Dept of Chemistry, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad) Dr. Shrikalp Deshpande (Asst. Professor, KB College of Pharmacy, Gandhinagar), Dr. N. Lalitha (Associate Professor, Gujarat Institute of Developmental Research, Ahmedabad), Prof. Dr. Shobhalata Udupudi (Director-in-charge, Gujarat National Law University). The formal acceptance of few other distinguished experts is awaited.

The formal acceptance of many other distinguished experts is awaited.

#### **Appointment of new faculty members and office staff**

The process of selection of new faculty members and office staff for CADSR is in progress. We intend to appoint about 4 teachers (2 senior teachers to be assisted by 2 part time teachers for Sciences and English subjects).

#### **Farewell to team members**

Ms. Purvi Mehta Bhatt and Mrs. Sindura Gudipati were relieved from their responsibilities in the Trust. We wish them all the best in their pursuits.

#### **'Empowering Village Schools'**

Sai RAM Trust is working towards empowerment of the high schools in the remote villages. The programme comprises motivational sessions covering areas like goal setting, time management, confidence building and self management that are taught to the students at 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standards (age groups of 15 to 17 years).

Shri Dineshbhai Amin, the Managing Trustee of the Trust has taken a great initiative in organizing the programme.

The programme also covered special training sessions for the teachers designed by Mr. DNS Siva Kumar. A very well known management appraisal and feedback technique named 360 degrees feedback (multi rater assessment technique) was used for this purpose. The technique is used to compare a teacher's self assessment with that of the other stake holders like parents, students, principal and colleagues. The exercise is expected to bring about significant behavioral changes in the teachers and create a better environment in the school.

A pilot project of this programme is being implemented in a Government School at Vahelal village, Daskroi Taluka in Gujarat. The programme was very widely appreciated by the students and the teachers of the school. This programme is offered free of cost to selected schools in different villages. (The commercial cost of per person / teacher is around Rs.5000 as the lowest estimate for such programmes).

# Sai RAM Trust

## Sai Raiba Ambalal Memorial Trust

Regd.E/18249/Ahmedabad

Newsletter 4

July - August - September 2008

### A good story

Once there was a man who asked God for flower and butterfly...



But instead god gave him a cactus and a caterpillar.

The man was sad, he didn't understand why his request was mistaken

Then he thought: "Oh well, God has too many people to care for..."

And decided not to question.



After some time, the man went to check up on his request that he had left forgotten.

To his surprise, from the thorny and ugly cactus a beautiful flower had grown. And the unsightly caterpillar had been transformed into the most beautiful butterfly.



GOD always does things right.

His way is ALWAYS the best way,  
Even if to us it seems all wrong.

If you asked God for one thing and received another, TRUST.

What you want....  
.....is not always what you need!



God never fails to grant our petitions,  
so keep on going for HIM without doubting or murmuring.

Today's THORN is Tomorrow's FLOWER!

GOD GIVES THE VERY BEST TO THOSE WHO LEAVE THE CHOICES UP TO HIM!

GOD BLESS YOU!

# Sai RAM Trust

## Sai Raiba Ambalal Memorial Trust

Regd.E/18249/Ahmedabad

Newsletter 4

July - August - September 2008

### The 'Grand Old Man of Indian Science'

Without much encouragement, Raman had entered the field of science in his early years. Deeply attracted by the secrets of sound and light, he marched ahead in the world of science. By his achievements and self-respect he earned a honored place for India in the world of science. He laid the foundations of a scientific tradition in India by building up institutes for research, by publishing science journals and by encouraging young scientists. Truly he was the 'Grand Old Man of Indian Science'. Raman possessed the curiosity of a little boy to know new things, and the intuition of a great genius in understanding the secrets of Nature. The life of this great scientist was truly the life of a great seer.



Dr. C.V. Raman

Raman received many honors from all over the world for his achievement. In 1928 the Science Society of Rome awarded the Matteucci Medal. In 1929 the British Government knighted him; thereafter Professor Raman came to be known as Professor Sir C..V. Raman. The Royal Society of London awarded the Hughes Medal in 1930. Honorary doctorate degrees were awarded by the Universities of Freiburg (Germany), Glasgow(England), Paris (France), Bombay, Benaras, Dacca, Patna, Mysore and several others.

Raman was a delightful speaker. Sprinkled with good humor, his talk was usually focused on realities. Raman used to say that the color of the sea interested him more than the fish, which lived in it. He thought that we should have our own ships for oceanographic research (the study of the sea). He often said that India lost her freedom because she took no interest in the seas.

- Mrs. Sindhura G.

### Just for laughs

1. Santa calls wife: "I cannot not come at home today because the steering wheel & the gear are stolen from my car."

5 minutes later.

"Ok I am coming, I sat behind the driving seat"

2. Doctor tells Santa: you have brain tumour!

Santa : Yesss!! And jumps in joy.

Doctor : Why are you so happy?

Santa : It proves that I have a brain.

3. Son : Papa I want to tell you something.

Father : Don't talk whenever you taking food

After taking food

Father : Now tell me what did you want to tell

Son : There was a cockroach in the food.

4. Santa & Banta were fixing a bomb in a car.

Santa : What would you do if the bomb explodes while fixing.

Banta : Dont worry, I have one more

5. Museum Administrator: That's a 500-year-old statue u've broken.

Banta: Thanks God! I thought it was a new one.

6. Santa has suddenly increased the speed of his car.

Banta asks: Why do you increase the speed?

Santa: the break of the car has failed so before accident occurs we should reach home safely.

# Sai RAM Trust

## Sai Raiba Ambalal Memorial Trust

Regd.E/18249/Ahmedabad

Newsletter 4

July - August - September 2008

### Life is So Beautiful

When you wake up in the morning complete the following statement, "My purpose is to ... today."



Live with the 3 E's ... Energy, Enthusiasm, Empathy, and the 3 F's ... Faith, Family, Friends.



Spend more time with people over the age of 70 and under the age of six.



Realize that life is a school and you are here to learn, pass all your tests. Problems are simply part of the curriculum that appear and fade away like algebra class but the lessons you learn will last a lifetime.



Life isn't fair, but it's still good.



### Closing Thoughts

"We shall be judged not by the creed we profess or the label we wear or the slogans we shout, but by the work, the industry, the sacrifice, the honesty and purity of our character. Realise the heaven within you and all at once all the desires are fulfilled and sufferings is put to an end. The great cause of suffering in the world is that they do not look within. They rely on outside forces."

- Shri Satya Sai Baba.