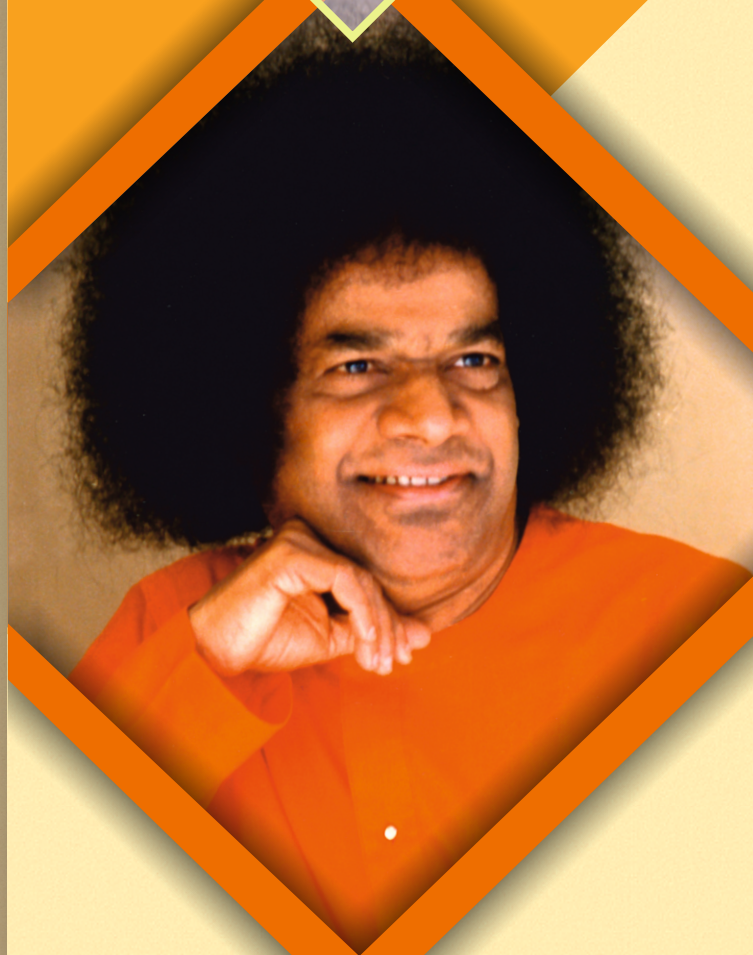




SRI SATHYA SAI SEVA ORGANISATIONS

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BANKURA

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“Let the different faiths exist, let them flourish, let the glory of God be sung in all languages in a variety of tunes. That should be the ideal. Respect the differences between the faiths and recognize them as valid so far as they do not extinguish the flame of unity.”

*This report is dedicated at the
Lotus Feet of our Lord and Master
Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba*



Foreword

My most humble and reverential salutations at the Lotus Feet of my beloved master Sri Sathya Sai Baba. I extend my sincere greetings and love to all.

Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation, Bankura District presents this First Annual report as an offering to our beloved Lord on His auspicious 94th birthday.

I must express my sincere gratitude to our respected State President Sri Sujit Prasad Lahiri and I also express thanks and gratitude to State Vice presidents, state coordinators, and other esteemed members who are constantly acting as our guiding force and mentor.

Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation is a service organization with a spiritual base, founded by Sri Sathya Sai Baba for the benefit of mankind. It is emphasized that this is not a religious organization.

The organization has its motto as "Transforming Self to transform the world" which we can attain through practice of the universal message of our beloved Baba "Love all, Serve all" and "Help ever, hurt never". He also says that "Hands that serve, are holier than the lips that pray".

He has provided the platform for us to practice the aforesaid dictum for our transformation, through loving and serving people and engaging selflessly in various service activities. This is the way forward for mankind to achieve universal peace and to realize the purpose of Human Existence. Our organization is open to any

individual who has faith in the Almighty God and is willing to lead a righteous life and serve mankind selflessly and by abiding by the rules and regulations of the Organisation.

At present in our district, we have 5 (five) Samithis, 4 (four) Bhajan Mandalis and 6 (six) Study Group Centres. We have two Medical Centres (Allopathic), two Homeopathic Centres and two Ayurvedic Centres to serve the ailing people. We serve the society through an array of services - street cleaning, plantation, jalsatra camps during summer, clothes and food distribution to the needy, blanket distribution during winter and moral value teaching amongst children through Balvikas classes in 15 Centres.

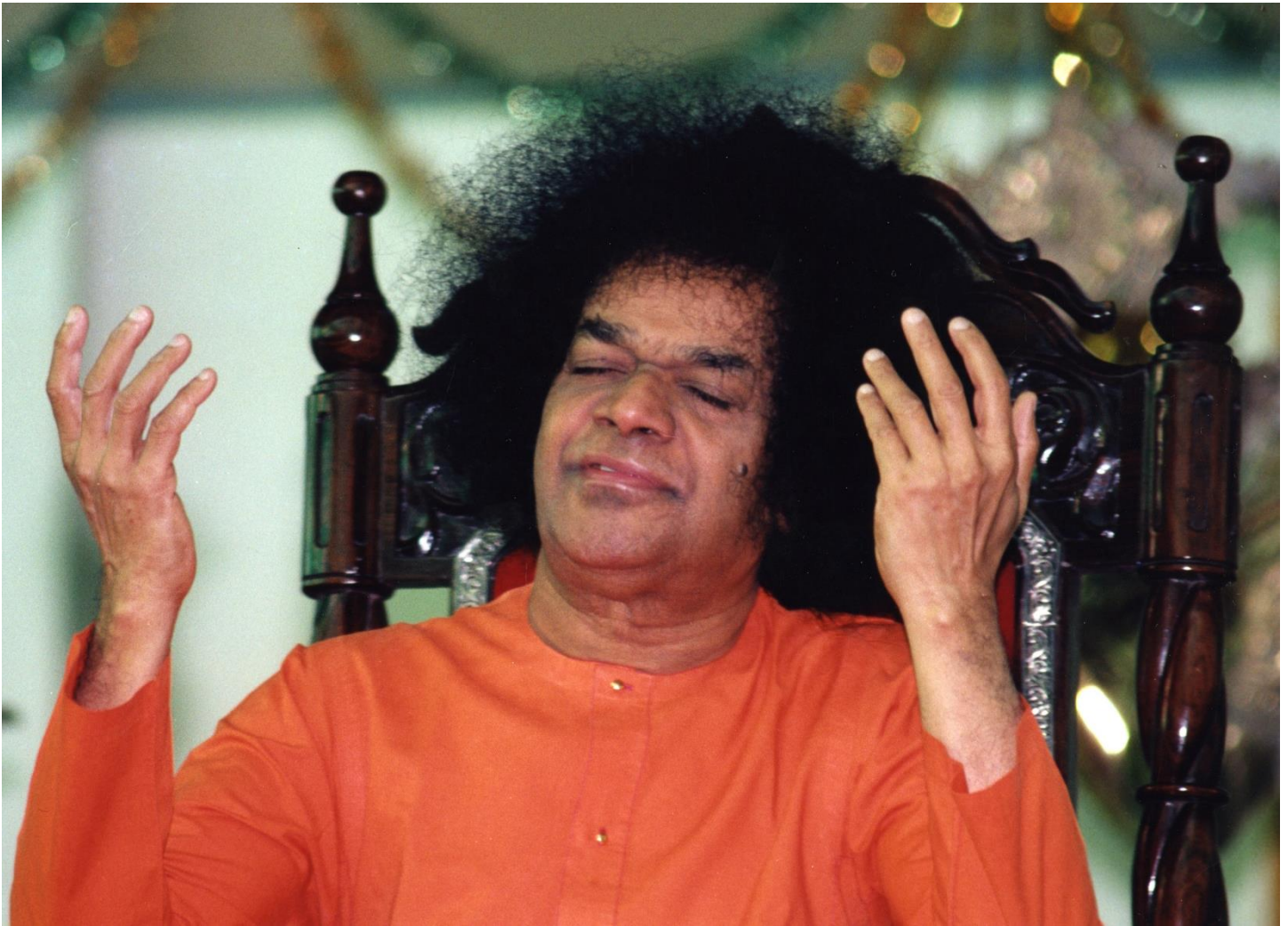
We are to open one polyclinic very shortly and to dedicate one bed in B. S. N. Hospital for the service of the poor in the name of our Beloved Master.

We dedicate this report at the Lotus feet of our Lord Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba and express our deepest gratitude to Him for giving us the opportunity of serving mankind through this unique organization.

Ever in Sai Service,

Dr Jitendra Nath Banerjee

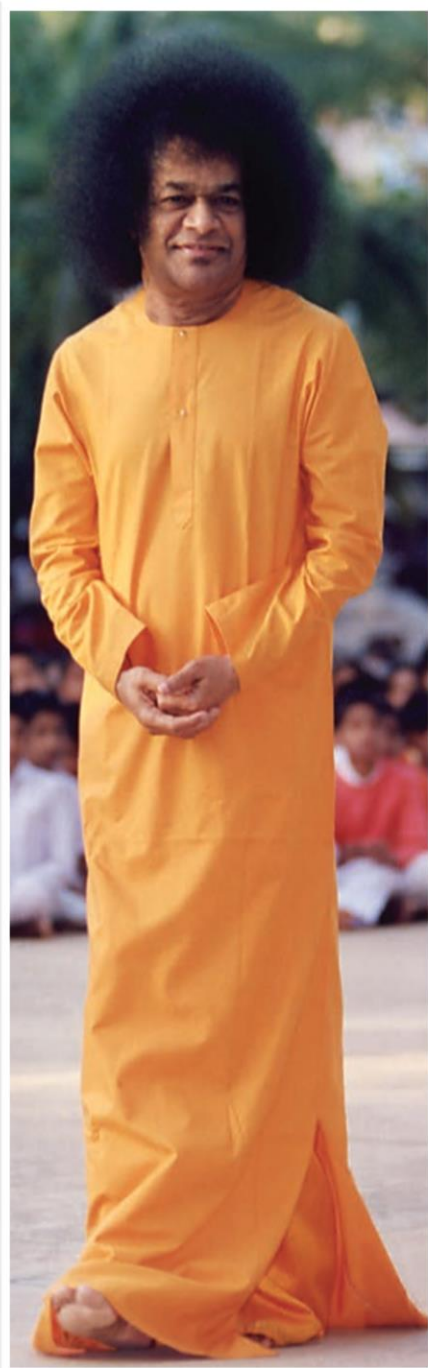
District President



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Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations



The Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations, founded by Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba in the year 1965, is a service organisation with a spiritual core and base to benefit all mankind irrespective of religion, caste, creed or sect. The Organisation serves as a platform for its members to undertake service and other activities motivated by an urge for one's own transformation with the aim of realising one's inherent divinity.

Without any distinction of religion, nationality, race, socio-economic status, either for those who work in the Organisation or for those who are served by it, the Organisation transcends all barriers leading humanity towards the ideal of 'Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man'.

The concept of fees or membership subscription is alien to the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations, for there cannot be any fee or subscription for one's journey towards his own self.

The organisation functions through its primary units called as Samithis and Bhajan Mandalis of which individuals - from different strata of society, different ethnic groups pursuing different religions and faiths - are members bound by the dictum of "Love all, Serve All" and pursue their own sadhana towards self-transformation following the path of selfless service to humanity.

At no point is an individual asked to follow a certain religion or rituals. On the contrary each is inspired to follow his own faith so as to ensure that a Hindu becomes a better Hindu, a Muslim becomes a better Muslim, a Christian becomes a better Christian and so on. In fact, this spiritual basis inspires everyone to pursue his own religion better by putting into practice Love and Selflessness. That is why the Organisation features in its emblem the symbols of the major religions of the world.

The Organisations named after Me are not to be used for publicising My Name, or creating a new cult around My worship They must render seva (service) to the helpless, the sick, the distressed, the illiterate and the needy. Their seva (selfless service) should not be exhibitionistic; it must seek no reward, not even gratitude or thanks from the recipients. Seva is sadhana (spiritual exercise), not a pastime of the rich and well placed.

You must have the firm belief that the aim of this Organisation is to remove the obstacles that keep man away from God, that separate maanavathwa (Humanity) from Maadhavathwa (Divinity).. This Organisation must elevate the human into the Divine."

❧ Sri Sathya Sai ❧

SRI SATHYA SAI SEVA ORGANISATIONS, BANKURA

WINGS OF THE ORGANISATION

Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations functions under three wings viz. (i) Spiritual, (ii) Education, and (iii) Service. Each activity in a wing is directed to facilitate and help the members in their own spiritual advancement. Although, the nature of activities undertaken under different wings appear to be distinct and dissimilar, but there is an inherent interrelationship amongst all the three wings. The three wings stand for Worship, Wisdom and Work.

Spirituality and Service are complementary to each other. Spirituality is the motivational force behind service and service is the fulfillment of spirituality. Therefore, spiritual concepts learnt through education must be put into practice in form of service to humanity. Thus, in order to successfully realise the objective of joining the Sai Organisation, one must participate in activities of all the three wings.

Activities under different wings of the Organisation

Spiritual Wing	Educational Wing	Service Wing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhajan • Nagarsankeertan • Study Circle • Sadhana Camps • Study of Sai Literature • Meditation, and • Others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-formal education of children in the age group of 5-14 years through values-based educational training • Bal-Vikas • Educare • Parenting Programmes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gram Seva • Service in Slums • Medical Camps and Health Care • Sanitation activities • Visit to orphanages, old age homes etc. • Disaster relief • Poor feeding • Free Coaching Classes, and • Others

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ORGANISATION

Headed by an All India President who is supported by the National Vice Presidents and State Presidents, the Organisation functions like a well-oiled machine, focused on its purpose, clear in its vision and dedicated in its efforts to live up to Swami's message "Love All, Serve All".

The Samithis and the Bhajan Mandalis constitute a genuine spiritual movement where the members are united by a common bond Love for God and Service to fellow human beings.

The members of the organisation work as one cohesive unit whether as sevadals providing service

at Prashanthi Nilayam, at medical camps, doing Narayan seva or the Bal-Vikas gurus who work with young children to imbibe in them a desire to follow the five human values of Truth, Righteousness, Love, Peace and Non-violence, or the teachers who having undergone the training in EHV help in guiding the young minds towards the higher goals of life or the Sai Youth who work tirelessly in the Sri Sathya Sai Village Integrated Programme bound by one goal of practicing the ancient dictum of "Service to Man is Service to God".

THE 9 POINT CODE OF CONDUCT AND 10 PRINCIPLES

Every member of the Organisation is expected to undertake Sadhana (spiritual discipline) as an integral part of his/her daily life by observing by the following Nine Point Code of Conduct which has been given by Sri Sathya Sai Baba for one's spiritual and personal development. In addition, the ten principles that form the core of guidance for all the members of the Organisation as ordained by Baba himself are also produced hereunder. The nine-point code of conduct and the ten principles are fundamental to the spiritual development of the members of Sai Organisations.

9 Point Code of Conduct

- ❖ Daily meditation and prayer.
- ❖ Devotional singing/prayer with members of one's family once a week.
- ❖ Participation in Bal Vikas programme by children of the family conducted by the Organisation.
- ❖ Attendance at least once a month at Bhajan or Nagar Sankeertan programme conducted by the Organisation.
- ❖ Participation in community service and other programmes of the Organisation.
- ❖ Regular study of Sai literature.
- ❖ Speak softly and lovingly with everyone with whom he comes into contact.
- ❖ Not to indulge in talking ill of others especially in their absence.
- ❖ Putting into practice the principle of "Ceiling on Desires" and utilise any savings thereby generated for the service of the mankind.

10 Guiding Principles

- ❖ Treat as sacred the land in which you were born. Have patriotism to your nation - but do not criticise other nations or put others down. Not even in your thoughts or dreams should you think of bringing grief to your country.
- ❖ Respect all religions equally.
- ❖ Recognise humanity as one family - treat everyone as a family member - love all
- ❖ Keep your house and surroundings clean - for this will promote hygiene and health.
- ❖ Practice charity - but do not encourage beggars by giving money. Provide food, clothing, shelter and help them on other ways (do not encourage laziness)
- ❖ Never give a bribe or take bribe - never give into corruption.
- ❖ Curb envy and jealousy; expand your vision and outlook, Treat all equally regardless of caste or creed.
- ❖ Be self-reliant. You may be wealthy and have servants to do your bidding, but service to society must be done by yourself.
- ❖ Have and cultivate 'Love for God and fear of sin'.
- ❖ Never go against the laws of the land; follow these diligently both in word and in spirit. Be an exemplary citizen.

Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations,

Bankura

BRIEF HISTORY

In the year, 1974, Bankura district was blessed by our beloved lord Sri Sathya Sai Baba through the hand of His ardent devotee Dr. Sambhunath Mukherjee, who was an eminent ENT Surgeon & Prof. at the B.S.Medical College and Hospital.

He arranged Bhajans in his residence with a few devotees namely Sri. D.P. Bajoria, Sri. Moni Aichbhowmik, Sri. Liladhar Suhasaria, Sri. Biswanath Bajoria, Sri. Kalo Baran Shit, Sri Goutam Mondal, Sri. Ajit Roy and Sri. Ajit Kundu.

Dr. S.N.Mukherjee selected Sri. K. B. Shit as Convenor and Sri. D. P. Bajoria as President of the District Organisation. Subsequently, in addition to bhajans, a Charitable Allopathic Clinic was opened at Dharamsala, Bankura in the year 1978 with two retired doctors rendering their valuable service every Thursday; This charitable clinic is still running every Saturday evening. From then on, the organization became associated with different service activities. In that very year (1978) Bankura, Burdwan and Midnapur districts were affected badly by a devastating flood. Immediately the members of Bankura District Sai Organisation plunged into action and assisted relief work by sending Sevadal to the flood affected areas. They sent clothes, food and medicine for the people in the flood affected areas. Its effort was highly appreciated by the district administration.

In the year 1985, Balvikas Classes were initiated at the residence of Sri. K. B. Shit, with a handful of students. Gradually, more people got interested in

the service activities conducted by the organisation and this, coupled with their interest generated through the bhajan sessions, prompted them to join the organization. And thus, in the year 1986 – with the blessings of our beloved Lord a new samithi was formed in Bishnupur. Sri. Bhagawabandas Swarada, Sri. Radheshyam Susreka, Sri. Gunadhar Biswas, Sri. Gobardhan Kar and Sri. Hukumchand Ghosh were among the first to personally seek the blessings of Swami at Puttaparthi to do so. Subsequently Sri. Prasanta Panja was blessed by Swami to be the Zonal-In-Charge of three districts namely Bankura, Burdwan and Purulia.

The Bhajans and Balvikas Classes were going on in full swing regularly at two places i.e. Bankura and Bishnupur.

In the year 1989, at the behest of Bhagawan Baba and to bridge the vacuum created due to transfer of Dr. S. N. Mukherjee, ENT Specialist to Kolkata, another eminent Doctor, Dr. Jitendra Nath Banerjee, along with his wife, Smt. Dipanwita Banerjee joined the Bankura Sai Organisation and in the year 1992, Dr. Banerjee was made in-charge of Bankura Sai Organisation and later, in the year 2000, he was made the District President of Bankura Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation considering his exemplary performances in all respects. Later, as per instruction of State President, Dr. Banerjee as District President, paid attention to the expansion of Sai Organisation of Bankura and thus with the blessing of Baba, another Sai Samithi was formed at

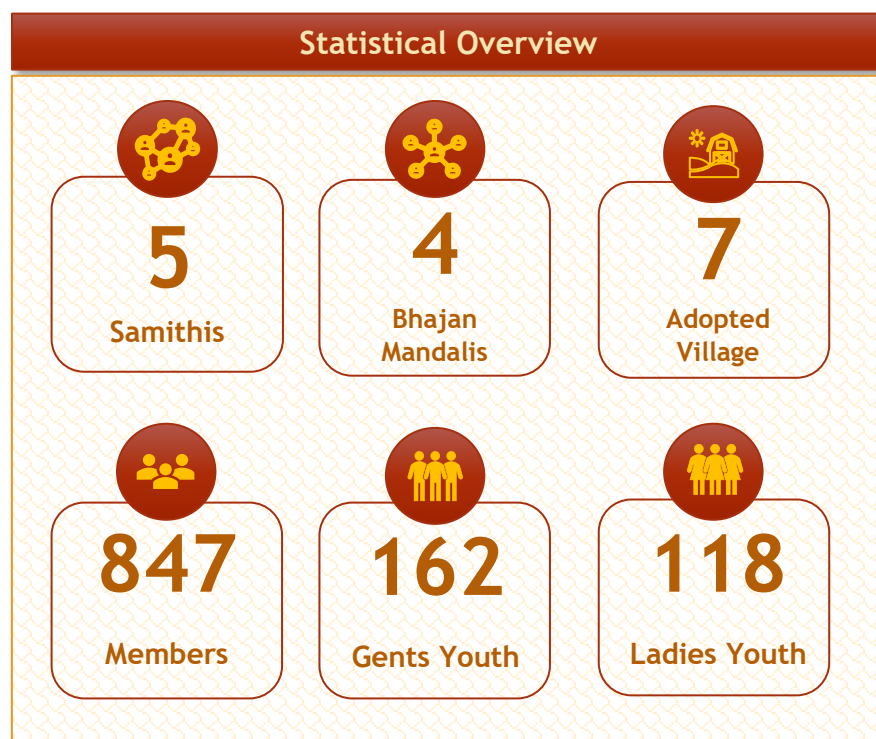
Mayakanan in the district of Bankura. Mayakanan Sathya Sai Seva Samithi started in the year 2001 with a good number of devotees under the Convenorship of Sri Manik Chandra Bir (whose father was also a Former Devotee). Miracles of Swami and the nature of the seva done at His abode inspired them to engage in different seva activities such as free medical camps, narayan seva, free coaching and computers, urinal cleanings, hospital cleanings, Bal Vikas classes and yearly Football Tournament on the occasion of Swami's Birth Day. Thus, Swami's name and His messages started spreading in the nearby villages of Mayakanan such as Pingrui, Pachami and Kalaberia. Bhajan Mandalis started coming up there with the blessings of Bhagawan Baba. A peculiar lila of Baba took place in village of Nutangram where without our knowledge a few innocent and pious people continued swami's Bhajan and Seva activities for a considerable long time with the direct supervision of one of our long-time devotees namely Sri. P.S. Sukul of Durgapur under district of Burdwan and later he informed of this to the Bankura District Organisation for inclusion and in the year 2006 it is declared as a Bhajan Mandali and being pleased with this, devotees of this area started involving themselves with more and more seva activities, bhajans, nagarsangkirtan, Balvikas classes and they also started going to Puttaparthi for Prashanthi Seva, as many as three times in a year. In this very year of 2006, Swami's divine acts spread awe amongst devotees across the length and breadth of Bankura district. with the growing activities in Gopalpur Village, Swami blessed the district with another Bhajan Mandali in nearby village Onda & Chandrakona with a good number of Devotees in the year 2008 & 2009 respectively. They also constructed permanent Seva Service Centres for running Balvikas classes, Charitable Dispensary,

bhajans, free coaching classes and dance classes and their activities drew special attention of the ONDA Police Station, and the said people were also spellbound with on-going service activities. Gradually in the same year i.e. 2009 Deogharia Sathya Sai Seva Samithi was formed at village Deogharia under Indpur Police Station where all kind of Seva Activities were performed in a routine manner, with a large number of dedicated youths. As a result of benevolent activities on the part of Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation of Bankura District Organisation and marvellous creation of two Sai Healing Temples (Sathya Sai Super Speciality Hospital) at Puttaparthi and Whitefield for the noble cause of mankind left an indelible impression on the people of Bankura. This paved the way for opening of some more Samithis and Bhajan Mandalis in villages namely Jiorda, Jambedia, Dangarampur, Unra, Jhantipahari etc. In course of time, two more villages, Shyamdasapur & Chariya were adopted and different activities such as narayan seva, free coaching camp, dance classes and Bal Vikas classes are being conducted there with close and direct supervision of District Team. These two villages are now under SSSVIP Village and as such special attention & care is paid by providing special activities such vocational training, health awareness camps, veterinary camps, distribution of agricultural apparatus & seeds & saplings, plantation of trees & saplings, study materials, drama & dancing classes. To bring to fruition the long-cherished desire of our State President to spread Sai messages & service activities of Sathya Sai Seva Organisation to the farthest corners of the district, Bankura District Team worked relentlessly to open new Sai Centres, resulting in one at old & historical place of Sonamukhi village and another one at remote village namely Keliapathar under Khatra Sub-Division

OVERVIEW

Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations is functional in Bankura with members from various cross sections of society and different faiths. With around 5(Five) Samithis and 4(Four) Bhajan Mandalis, the Organisation serves as a platform for its members to undertake spiritual practices through its various wings such as spiritual, education and service for their own betterment.

The thrust is on self-transformation for it is only individual transformation that would ultimately lead to global transformation.



SRI SATHYA SAI SEVA KENDRA

Seva Kendra	District/Samithi	Address	Contact Person
Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra	District	Patpur, Power House Road Bankura	Sri Sandip Shit Mobile: 9474049503
Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra	Natun Gram Samithi	Natun Gram, Ramhoripur, Bankura	Shaktipada Paramanik Mobile: 6296204202

ACTIVITIES

The members of the Organisation are involved in various activities on regular basis which primarily includes Spiritual Study Circles, Community Bhajan, Nagarsankirtan through the spiritual wing; Bal-Vikas and Parenting programmes through the Education Wing and various service activities through the service wing. Importance is given to regular service activities as only through constant involvement in good work can self-transformation be achieved. Service activities which are regularly undertaken at Samithis for the transformation of the members and for the benefit of the society include visits to leprosy, correctional and old age homes, medical camps in villages, Narayan-seva, free coaching classes, vocational training for employability enhancement of the villagers, sanitation at public functions, fairs, and public urinal cleaning.

The following table broadly categories the different activities that are undertaken by the Samithis across the District.

SPECTRUM OF ACTIVITIES			
	Educare	Medicare	Sociocare
Spiritual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study Circles for Adults and Youth 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Bhajans Nagar Sankirtan Conference/Retreats Sadhana Camps
Educational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bal Vikas Classes based on human values Bal-Vikas and Guru training 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents' Awareness programs on Parenting Parenting Workshops
Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free Coaching and Tuition Centers Computer Training Spoken English Adult Education Literacy programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Centers Medical Camps in villages Eye Camps Blood Grouping Camps Blood Donation Camps Dental Treatment Camps Veterinary Camps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Narayan Seva Programme Visit to Leprosy Villages, Correctional Homes, Orphanages, Hospital, Disabled/ Old Age Homes Narayan Seva Service Camps Vocational Training Centers Employability enhancement programmes for village youth Sanitation at different government run hospitals, fairs, and public places including public urinals Disaster Management Awareness programmes in Schools/Colleges and other institutions

Let the day dawn for you and others with the thought of the almighty, the compassionate, the omnipresent, all-knowing God. What greater service can you do for yourself and others? This will give you health and happiness. Your egoism will be shattered when you sing in the streets in full view of your neighbours. You will forget in your enthusiasm all pride and self-esteem. Thus, this nagar-sankirtan (devotional singing in streets) is a great sādhanā (spiritual discipline), a great piece of social service.

❧ Sri Sathya Sai ❧

A summary account of regular activities that have been undertaken during the period covered by this report is depicted in the following table.

Spiritual	Activities	Total Number	Total Number of Participants
	Devotional Singing		
	No. of. Community Bhajan Centers	9	
	No. of. Bhajans Held	216	3880
	Seven Household Bhajan		
	No. Of Cluster	8	
	No. of Houses	27	
	No. of Bhajans Held	1296	11644
	Nagar Sankirtan	216	2016
	Study Circles	96	768
	Conference/Retreats/Sadhana Camps	21	578
Educational	Activities	Total Number	Total Number of Students
	Bal Vikas Centers		
	(i) Urban	7	190
	(ii) Rural	9	291
	(iii) School	1	25
	Total (i+ii+iii)	16	506
	Bal Vikas Gurus	40	
Service	Activity	Total Number	Total Number of Beneficiaries
	Visit to:		
	Orphanages	12	45
	Hospital	36	160
	Disabled / Old Age Homes	24	104
	Camps:		
	Narayan Seva	60	2160
	Veterinary Camps	2	110
	Medical Awareness Camps	48	2596
	Eye Camps	1	45
	Blood Grouping Camps	10	340
	Service Camps	12	2500
	Vocational Training Centers	2	25
	Free Coaching Centers	5	60
	Medical Centers	4	982
	Sanitation (Public Urinals)	52	In thousands
	National Narayan Seva	2480 kgs	185
	Blood Donation Camps	3	161

Glimpses of few activities

Rural Vocational Training Centres:

Training in Handicrafts is conducted by a Sevadal trainer at a tribal village called Keliapathar (Khatra), Bankura.

Disaster Management

Disaster Management Awareness Programmes were carried out at Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura and at Bheduasole High School under Deghoria Samithi. Number of participants was 42 at Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura and at the said School, 132.

Dance Training Class

A Dance Training Class is regularly organised for children at Shyamdaspur Primary School. Around 25 budding dancers undergo this training.

Annual Conference

The Annual State Conference 2018 was held at Radhabhaban Dharmasala in Bankura Town and the District Mahila Conference was held at the same venue.



Vocational training underway



Disaster Management Awareness for the students



Flag Hoisting at the Annual State Conference



A glimpse from Disaster Management Training for youth

Medical Camp

Medical Camps are conducted at Bankura Sai Seva Kendra and Keliapathar Village. The beneficiaries range from 50 - 55 at each occasion and around six sevadals are involved.



Medical Camp in progress

Cooked Food Distribution

Weekly cooked food distribution was conducted at the adopted village Choria by Bankura Town Samithi. The number of beneficiaries was 42 and there were 8 sevadals involved in the Seva.

Drinking Water Distribution

Drinking water with grain of gram and sweets (i.e. batasa) were distributed at the heart of Bankura town during one month of the scorching summer season. On an average 45 sevadals were involved each day. Beneficiaries were to the tune of around one thousand per day



Drinking Water and grain distribution



Cooked food distribution

Swami's Birthday Celebration

Swami's Birthday was celebrated in a grand way through a visit to the pediatric ward at B.S. Medical College & Hospital and the distribution of sweets and gifts to the tiny tots whose faces beamed with happiness at the unexpected turn of events. The no. of beneficiaries was 135 with 18 sevadals being involved in the great Seva

A colourful rally was also in motion in the early morning of 23rd November 2018. About 64 Balvikas students and 86 devotees participated in the said rally covering the important streets of Bankura district town singing bhajans in unison and carrying placards displaying the universal values for mankind.



Distribution of sweets and gifts at B.S. Medical College & Hospital



Children readying for values rally

Cleaning and Sanitation Program

A Cleaning & Sanitation initiative was undertaken at Tambulibandh Road in October 2018 when "Swachhta se Divyata Tak" took place with involvement of around 35 sevadals.



Cleaning of public places by Sevadals

Service, the utilisation of time and skill for the uplift of society - that is the highest form of adoration which God will reward with grace. You get the actual experience of Sat-Chit-Ānanda (Being-Awareness-Bliss) through service, for through service you conquer egoism and convince yourselves of the unity that underlies creation.

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Eye and ECG Camp

An Eye check and ECG camp was organised as an extension of the Multispecialty Medical camps at Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura. No. of beneficiaries was 75 with 32 sevadals being involved in the process.



A glimpse from Eye and ECG Camp

Organic Farming Training Camp

An Organic farming training camp was conducted at Mayakanan, Bankura where the number of beneficiaries was 42 with 12 sevadals being involved in offering assistance during the training.

Cooked Food and Blanket Distribution

A cooked food, clothes & blanket distribution for the flood affected people of Kesiakol, Bankura was taken up. 120 people benefitted in the process with 12 sevadals, both ladies and gents, offering their services. Blanket distribution was also conducted among the slum dwellers at Bhairabsthan and other places of Bankura town. The beneficiaries were 125 in number and sevadals involved were 12.



Glimpse from Organic Farming Training session

Blood Donation Camp

A Blood Donation camp was organised at Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura with the help of B. S. Medical College & Hospital. The total count of Donors was 55 and 25 sevadals; both ladies and gents assisted in the service.



Blanket Distribution

Blood Grouping Camp

A Blood Grouping camp was organised in a slum area close to Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra of Patpur, Bankura. These camps run throughout the year in different areas of the district. No. Of beneficiaries & sevadals stand approximately at 340 & 4 (per camp) respectively

Narayan Seva

A Narayan Seva initiative was taken up on the auspicious occasion of Swami's 93rd birthday celebrations. Around 2900 Narayans were benefitted. Sevadal s involved were 28 gents & 24 ladies

Weekly Nagar Sankirtan

Weekly Nagar Sankirtans at Bankura town Samithi occur every Sunday. Number of participants were 12 ladies & 9 gents on an average this year.

Balvikas Day Celebration

A Balvikas exhibition programme was held at Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura on the occasion of Balvikas day. Balvikas students of Bankura district participated. Number of participants was 92.

Old-age Home Visit

Monthly visits to Kshirod Prasad Vidyabinod old age home by our sevadals were carried out in right earnest. Bhajans were held there & Narayan Seva was undertaken at the conclusion of the bhajan sessions. No. of beneficiaries were 32 & sevadals involved were 18 ladies & 6 gents

Humans are born. They die. In the interval they grow and fade. The sign of growth is the mutual love, expressed through sevā (selfless service). The rich and the high-laced have many to serve them. You must serve those who have no one to serve them. Serve those who manage to live by serving others.

❧ Sri Sathya Sai ❧



Blood Grouping Camp in progress



Narayan Seva during Swami's birthday celebrations



Old Age Home Visit

Balvikas Annual Sports

The annual Balvikas sports was held on 4th February 2019 at Bankura district stadium. 90 boys & 95 girls from all samithis & bhajan mandalis participated in the programme. It was very colourful and full of enthusiasm. Many dignitaries of Bankura town attended the event. It started with Veda chanting by Balvikas students & Balvikas drill with music. The programme ended with prize distribution ceremony.



Balvikas Annual Sports

Yoga Class

Yoga classes were held at Sri Sathya Sai Seva Kendra, Bankura and were attended by Balvikas students on a weekly basis. Number of trainers was 2 & the number of beneficiaries was 8 boys & 14 girls. It helped in keeping their body & mind fit and these students achieved few awards in the district competition



Yoga Class for children

Raksha Bhandhan Utsav Celebration

Raksha bandhan utsav celebration was held at Nutangram village under Nutangram Sai samithi and this programme was also held at blind school, Bankura. No. Of beneficiaries were 14 boys & 18 girls in Nutangram and 25 boys in blind school



Raksha Bandhan Utsav Celebration

Tree Plantation Programme

A Tree plantation programme was taken up by Balvikas students of Shyamdasapur adopted village of Bankura Town Samithi. 2 saplings were planted around the school campus with an enthusiastic cooperation by the schoolteachers of the said school.



Tree Plantation by Bal Vikas children

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Sri Prasanta Kumar Panja	1987 – 2000
Dr. Jiten Banerjee	2000 - Present

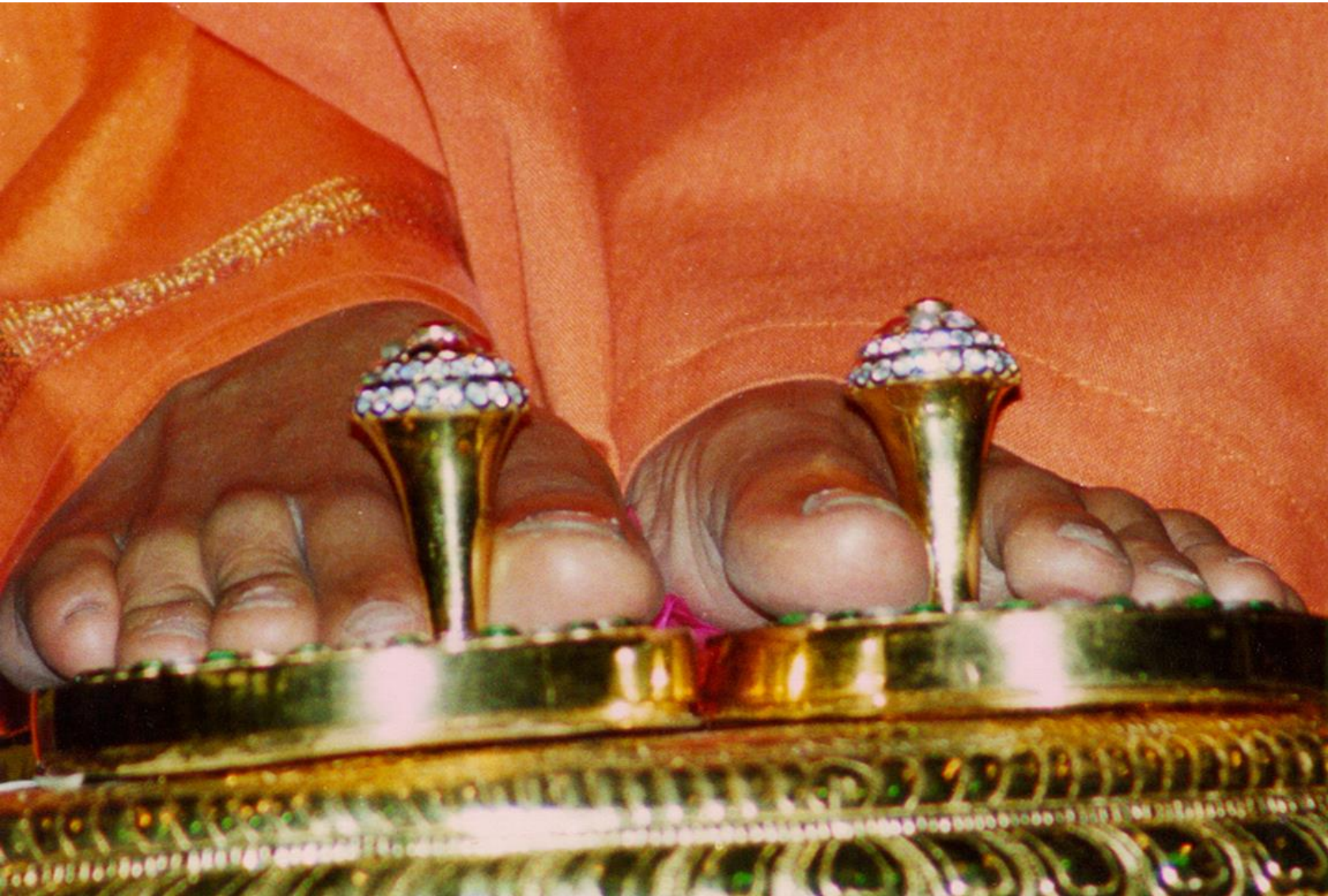
You should merge your welfare with the welfare of the world. How can you be happy when your neighbour is in misery? Therefore, I call upon you to give up praying for your own advancement. Pray for the peace, prosperity and happiness of all humanity, irrespective of clime or colour. Pray intensely and with faith. Then grace will be showered on you. When the heart is soaked in love, it cannot be contaminated by egoism and its evil consequences. Just as you crave for physical health, which means health for the limbs of the body, you should strive for the health of humanity, which means peace and joy for all sections, in all nations. If you dwell in that wider outlook, you will start feeling less and less for your own troubles and worrying more and more for troubles of others. That is the initial offering of yourself in the great "yagna" (sacrifice) called "living".

Never think that society cannot progress if you do not render service. Society does not depend on you. If not you, someone else will do the needful. God governs everything. In the first instance, try to understand the meaning of the word "service". It is possible to understand this once you understand who you are. You are a mānava (human being). Mānava does not mean the physical form alone. It is synonymous with the principle of the Ātma.

The first step is to understand the link that connects any two individuals. It is nothing but Love. It is on the basis of Love that the entire society is closely knit. What is a country? It is not the land but the society that makes a country or a nation. When the nation is prosperous and progresses with healthy growth, the needs of the individuals are also fulfilled. The individual is dependent on society. He or she is born, brought up and sustained by society. Therefore, it is the duty of every individual to render selfless service for promoting the common welfare of society.

The world today is torn into factions and groups that hate and hack each other. No method is considered too cruel if the aim is to destroy one's enemy. No one is aware of the innate unity, the ever-present current of Divinity that animates every single living being on earth. You have the role now of demonstrating that all is not lost; that there are still people who believe in Truth, Righteousness, Peace and Love; that acts of loving service rendered in a spirit of humility and reverence are still making people happy; and that the day when the kinship of human beings and the Fatherhood of God will shine bright and beautiful is drawing and dawning near.

❧ Sri Sathya Sai ❧



O Lord, take my love, and let it flow in fullness of devotion to Thee;

O Lord, take my hands, and let them work incessantly for Thee;

O Lord, take my soul, and let it be merged in One with Thee;

O Lord, take my mind and thoughts, and let them be in tune with Thee;

O Lord, take my everything, and let me be an instrument to work for Thee.







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