

# News & Notes

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# HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

*Was it related to "that night," when you were as if in hell?*

Yes, it was related to that. It was... I'll try to explain. You know that OM is said to be the sound of the whole universe turned towards the Supreme, imploring the Supreme - and the result is OM. I had the impression that I was all the pain of the world - all the pain of the world (how can I put it) felt together. I don't know how to explain.

It must be that - it must be that because, before, I was dominated, you understand: when it came, I was as if crushed by the thing; whereas from the moment I understood that way, I was able to be above pain. And I am much better. But just when I said it, it was very... it even had the character of a revelation. So then, it was very precise - very precise, very concrete. Now... it's a translation, of course. I felt, I felt at the same time something like an extraordinary Protection which prevented from going mad.... It was a VERY concrete experience for several hours: the protection of a Consciousness... a higher consciousness, and a sort of power dominating the thing, with the perception that if That weren't there, there was enough to make lots of people go mad. But the body is very... the body is very affected (*Mother touches her left eye and forehead*). You see, there are... Impossible, almost impossible to eat - especially that. (*very long, moaning silence*) That sense of being crushed hasn't gone yet. It's like something preventing me from breathing freely. But the night after the day I saw you, when I told you, you remember, I told you (*smiling*) to pray for me... Yes, *Mother*.... that night was absolutely wonderful - absolutely peaceful and wonderful. A night as I hadn't had in a long, long time.... I thanked you, I don't know if you know! *Oh, Mother*.... (*Mother laughs, Satprem lays his head on her knees, silence*)

*But Sri Aurobindo? Sri Aurobindo..Yes. What does he say? (after a silence)*

I had (and that was frightful), I had the consciousness of all that he suffered physically. And that was one of the things most... (*Mother's voice is covered in tears*) the hardest to bear. As if... physically... And our physical unconsciousness beside that, and the kind of physical TORTURE he was subjected to.<sup>1</sup> That was one of the most difficult things, most difficult. The torture he was subjected to, which we treated so lightly, as if... as if he felt nothing. That was one of the most frightful things. (*very long silence, Mother plunges in, then gives a start*) You see, it's like this (*Mother gestures as if suffocating*): an Anguish weighing down, and that's terrible. It's not in the thought, you understand (*same suffocated gesture*).

*But Mother, this pain of the earth, isn't it to make it call the Supreme Consciousness there too, deep down?*

Yes, of course. That's what I say to myself, what I try to find, but... There is something to be found.

(*very long silence*) It's like this (*same gesture of suffocation*), and it's still there.... There is one spot, like a spot where there is such a dreadful anguish.... Do you feel how I have difficulty breathing? - That's it. It's constant. (*silence*)

It's here (*Mother draws a bar across the top of her chest*). It's here. And I am as if forbidden to... (*Mother makes the gesture of rising to join the Origin above the head*)... As if I absolutely had to find something. (*silence*)

What time is it? *Ten past eleven, Mother*. Do you have anything to say?

*But doesn't the Mantra have an action on this?*

My body repeats the Mantra ceaselessly. I think it couldn't hold out if it didn't.... Constantly, constantly. (*silence*)

*Sometimes I say to myself that OUR darkneses are YOUR obstacle, and that if we could conquer our own darkneses ...Ah, naturally it would be easier for me. But that... (how can I put it?) it's not my business. I have no right to demand it: I have to do the work.... Naturally, as I told you, your prayer that night had a... you know, the word relief in English. It was, oh, such a relief! (very long, moaning silence)*

It's strange, it takes hold here (*gesture from the waist to the knees*), but especially here (*gesture at the waist*). I can't say what it is, but it's a dreadful anguish.... When it comes here (*gesture to the chest*), I scream.

It's in the legs down to the knees. Now I can hardly walk. Its totally physical, material. (*silence*) Ah!...

I know very well what should be done, of course: this [*phenomenon*] should be observed rather than felt - it should be known: a knowledge rather than a sensation. Then it would be like other kinds of knowledge, you see.... But what does it depend on? I don't know. (*long silence*)

*We shall conquer, Mother. Yes. (silence, Satprem lays his forehead on Mother's knees)*

You understand, that it will be conquered I am ABSOLUTELY certain of, but... has the time come? That's the question.

And it's this, this doubt, that's a torture. (*Mother takes Satprem's hands*)

<sup>1</sup> "We insisted on the dangerous remedies ...," confesses one of the doctors who were looking after Sri Aurobindo

Nirodbaran, *Sri Aurobindo-"I Am Here, I Am Here!"*, 1951, p.20

Sri Aurobindo refused - once. Mother refused. Then they stopped saying anything. "He knew that [one such remedy] would be of no avail and he emphatically ruled it out, but as we had not the insight nor the proper appraisal of the value of words when they are clothed in the common language we are habituated to use, we insisted on the dangerous remedies in which we had faith and confidence."

MOTHER'S AGENDA, 9 September 1970

MOTHER

(Ibid.)

Let us note that the same phenomenon was to recur with Mother.

*The  
Ponder  
Corner*

*"The city will be built by what is invisible to you. The men who have to act as instruments will do so despite themselves. They are only puppets in the hands of larger Forces. Nothing depends on human beings - neither the planning nor the execution - nothing! That is why one can laugh." Mother - Sep. 1969*

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## MONTHLY REPORT OF THE GREEN GROUP FOR MAY 2015

1. **Underutilized land;** at the request of the WC, the question of how to care for underutilized land in the green belt was discussed at some length in the Forest group and the topic was taken up again by the Green group. Various ideas were put forward by both groups as to how this could be achieved but all depend on the land being fenced. An estimate for a fence made with granite pillars and barbed wire is Rs300/metre which is a large amount and which, it seems, no one is willing to pay. The Green group feels that this amount could be greatly reduced if pre-cast cement pillars were used instead of granite and if the labour to erect the fence, a major cost, could be done using farm and forest stewards, some of their labourers and volunteers. The Green group is in the process of preparing an estimate for this method of fencing which will be presented to the relevant groups.
2. **Aurodam watershed;** this is an ongoing problem with Aurovillians building inappropriately without permission from L'Avenir and in ways that do not respect this very important natural resource. The existing steward will discuss future plans with various groups in the near future.
3. **Land allocation process;** the agreed final draft has been sent to the TDC who will forward it to the FAMC for their information.
4. **Building applications;**
  - 4.1 **Bass in Evergreen;** Bass's request to build a demountable house in Evergreen was agreed in the Forest group but unfortunately building details were not passed on to the Green group so that a decision could be taken at their meeting. This will therefore be followed up on email after the building details have been scanned and circulated to the group. It was felt that improvements could be made in the communication between TDC, Green group, Forest and Farm groups to improve the building request process and this is being followed up.
  - 4.2 **Sami's house in Discipline;** although the resulting building conforms to green belt guidelines, building started before the completion of the building approval process. A letter has been sent explaining the importance of this process to the overall harmony and development of Auroville and requesting that it is followed in the future. The Green group is in the process of formulating a clear step by step process for people wanting to build in the Green belt. This will be posted on AVNet with the building request forms.
5. **Green group membership;** It was agreed that the Green group coordinator is a full time job and as the present person cannot do it on a full time basis then someone else should be found. The process of becoming a Green group member is being explored and will be discussed in future meetings.

If you have any feedback or would like further information please contact Priya [greengroup@auroville.org.in](mailto:greengroup@auroville.org.in)

## REPORT OF THE WORKING COMMITTEE

Main topics dealt with in May 2015.

1. **Meeting with GB members Dr. Karan Singh, Ms. Ameeta Mehra and Ms. Aster Patel in New Delhi on May 6th.** The following topics were discussed.
  - a. **Restructuring the TDC.** We informed the GB members about the letter sent by the Working Committee to the TDC, to the TDC Advisory

Council and to the members who participated in the retreat on the town planning theme, requesting their views on the reconstitution of the TDC, and about our intention to collate their suggestions, discuss them with Shri .B.V. Doshi and then make a proposal to the Governing Board. (see the April report of the Working Committee).

- b. **NTDA proposal.** Dr. Doshi has proposed that Mr. Soli Sorabjee be contacted for a legal opinion on the dangers and desirability of having an NTDA for the Auroville area. Dr. Karan Singh disagreed with the proposal as this is not a legal issue per se, and supported a proposal to request Dr. M.S. Swaminathan to give his views, after hearing a delegation from Auroville consisting of members of the Working Committee and the NTDA Task Force.
  - c. **Sale of outlying lands.** In view of the decision of the Governing Board made in its March meeting *"The Board decided to step up the efforts to obtain permission to sell lands outside the Master Plan area, the proceeds of which will be used to exclusively fund the purchase of lands inside the Master Plan area."* we requested Dr. Karan Singh to write to the PMO office with the request to take a decision on the proposal made by the Foundation to the PMO Office some years ago that the Foundation be authorized to sell outlying lands on the condition that the sale proceeds be used for the purchase of lands within the city and greenbelt areas.
  - d. **Appeal against decisions of working groups.** Dr. Karan Singh disagreed with a proposal that, similar to the provision contained in the Admission or Termination of Persons in the Register of Residents Regulations, a working group consisting of members of the Governing Board and some selected Aurovillians be formed to function as an appeal body against decisions of working groups. He proposes that Auroville create its own internal appeal body.
2. **Meeting with members of the Envisioning Committee Ms. Ameeta Mehra, Ms. Aster Patel and Sir Mark Tully in New Delhi on May 5th. (Absent: Ms. Mallika Sarabhai).** The Envisioning Committee has been constituted by the Governing Board in its August meeting to prepare for the 50th anniversary celebrations of Auroville, and its constitution was reconfirmed in its meeting of March. It was agreed:
    - a. That on behalf of the Envisioning Committee, the Working Committee will publish a call for ideas and suggestions in the News and Notes and on the AuroNet and will send a note to those involved in the organization of previous festivals as well as to the Auroville International Centers.
    - b. That the Working Committee will consolidate the proposals that come in, ask for details where required and ask for provisional budgets, if possible; and forward these to the Envisioning Committee
    - c. That a follow-up meeting of the members of the Envisioning Committee and representatives of the Working Committee will be held in the second/third week of July, to be followed up with a meeting with the Chairman to finalize the request to be made to the HRD Ministry.
    - d. There may be a possibility of asking for a special grant from the Government of India towards a program for the 50th anniversary of Auroville and related development. However, it is not at all certain that such a grant would be given.

3. **Meeting with Mr. Rakesh Ranjan, JS HRD - on May 5th.**  
The following topics were discussed.
  - a. **Admission or Termination of Persons in the Register of Residents Regulations.** The approval of the Regulations by the HRD Ministry is still pending.
  - b. **Update on new Secretary:** The Working Committee members were informed no suitable candidates had been identified. The JS suggested we recommend candidates. The Working Committee has meanwhile informed Dr. Karan Sign of other potential candidates to fill the vacancy.
  - c. **Green Campus housing project:** The topic is still under consideration by the HRD Ministry.
4. **Meeting with Collector on May 16.** The following topics were discussed.
  - a. The collector agreed to revive a sub committee consisting of representatives of the Collectorate, Vanur Taluk Office and Police to help resolve issues before they flare into large problems.
  - b. **Swachh Bharat Mission.** We were informed that the Swachh Bharat (Clean India) Mission will include the Irumbai and the Bommaiarpalayam panchayats.
  - c. **Road repair in Kuilapalayam.** We were assured that the work to improve the road will be taken up soon.
5. **Meeting with Dr. Senthil Velan I.P.S., Foreigners Regional Registration Officer, Chennai on May 19.** Topics discussed:
  - a. **The violation of the laws of India** by a few Aurovillians, which has resulted in their blacklisting.
  - b. **A request of former Aurovilian Stuart Leard** to be allowed to return to India.
  - c. **The status of volunteers.** The FRRO confirmed that people on Tourist Visa cannot volunteer in India, and agreed to check up on the interpretation of the word 'commerce' in the 2005 visa regulation to see if foreign volunteers with an entry visa can volunteer in Auroville's commercial units.
  - d. **The setting up of an RRO liaison office at the Auroville Foundation Bhavan.** This proposal is still being considered.
  - e. **Invitation to visit Auroville.** Dr. Senthil Velan will come to visit Auroville in June-July and he may give a brief lecture to the Aurovillians on the issue of Visa.

#### 6. New member Land Board

The Working Committee has not received any substantial negative objections to the proposal that Sukrit replace Alain Grandcolas as member of the Land Board and has meanwhile recommended his name to the Secretary Auroville Foundation.

#### 7. NTDA

The Working Committee is in the process, together with a representative of the AV Council and TDC, to get independent information on the desirability of an NTDA or the Auroville area.

#### 8. Matej

Matej has informed the Working Committee he wishes to remain in Auroville permanently, while Monica has left for abroad.

#### 9. Police Outpost

At the request of the Under-Secretary Auroville Foundation, the Working Committee, in consultation with the Land Board and the TDC, is in the process of identifying a piece of land along the main road between the Pitchandikulam bridge and the Service area, which can be used for a permanent police outpost. The views of the community will be sought before he plot will be recommended to the Secretary.

#### 10. Appeal against a joint decision of the FAMC and Working Committee.

The FAMC and Working Committee have agreed that one or more independent persons act as an ad hoc appeal body against the process leading to their joint decision regarding Sharnaga Guesthouse. The members of the ad-hoc appeal group will be selected from the list of arbiters, and will work similarly to the process as outlined for arbitration in the Auroville Conflict Resolution Policy.

#### 11. Auroville Security

In March 2015, the members of the security team announced that they all wished to resign by April 1, 2015. Consequently, the Working Committee jointly with the Auroville Council initiated a community process to find candidates for this position. A few Aurovillians have submitted their application, but none have been found suitable.

The process has shown that a rethink and reorganization of the security set-up may be necessary. Several Aurovillians have sent us their proposals on how to organize our collective security which will be used as starting point for a larger discussion. It has also become clear that at least one member of the present team should continue being involved in the new structure.

We thank the present security team members for their willingness to continue their work till a new solution has been found.

#### 12. Way Forward 2018

Action Groups that have started to function:

Theme AG	Working Since	Orientation status	Action Plan Status
Governance	March	Done	Not submitted
Youth	March	Done	Not submitted
Education	May	Done	Not submitted
Economy	May	Done	Not submitted
Land & Town Planning	May	Done	Not submitted
Growth	-	To be done	To be submitted
Bioregion	-	To be done	To be submitted

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> VTF meeting, held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May, it was agreed that Action Plans must be formulated by June / July. The AGs should be able to report on actions undertaken by July/August, ahead of the next meeting of Governing Board / IAC, tentatively scheduled in the first week of October. This will enable the Governing Board to consider support or advise accordingly.

#### 13. Windarra Conflict:

In 2012, a conflict arose in Windarra Farm. In March 2013, the Farm Group requested the stewards of Windarra Farm to step out for a short time, and assumed the stewardship of Windarra to resolve the conflict. In November 2014, as no solution had been found, the Auroville Council brought the issue to arbitration. Three arbiters were appointed. They gave their decision in January 2015.

In accordance with the arbiters' decision, the Auroville Council and the Working Committee have formed an Implementation and Monitoring Group to implement the arbitration decision. However, its work has been repeatedly frustrated by people who neither respect Auroville's community process nor the arbiters' decision and who have been trying to take matters in their own hands. One person, a non-Aurovillian, has moreover repeatedly threatened others with physical violence and issued death threats using abusive language.

Explanations for the non-cooperative attitude have not been given, and neither have apologies been offered for the threats and abusive language. The Working Committee has informed the Auroville Foundation recommending the removal of the non-Aurovillian from Auroville and will lodge a Police complaint against the non-Aurovillian.

The Working Committee has invited the Farm Group to discuss the matter.

The Working Committee is also involved in the following topics, which are still ongoing and not yet concluded:

1. Aurovillians not living in and working for Auroville (jointly with the FAMC)
2. Aspiration Sports Ground
3. Sludge Disposal
4. Pending case files (jointly with the Entry Service)
5. Special Guests Coordination (jointly with the MM Access Team)

6. Mailand Trust (jointly with the FAMC)
7. Puducherry Rural Heritage Museum - Mohanam Cultural Centre
8. Constitution of GOI Grant Sub-Group
9. Rayapettei Asset (jointly with the FAMC)
10. Auroville Health Services
11. Land Sale Policy (jointly with the Land Board)

The Working Committee

*Angela, Carel, Elisa, Eric, Mandakini, Manohar, Ranjith.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Information/ Reminder from BCC

Dear All:

BCC would like to remind / inform the community that if you receive a maintenance, the in-kind part of the maintenance that is allocated for food items (Rs. 1200/m presently) goes to the Pour Tous Purchasing Service (PTPS) by default for you to use.

However, individuals can choose to either allocate and use the entire amount or half of it per month to PTPS (default), Food Link, and HERS. You could also choose to use this amount towards your Pour Tous Distribution Center (PTDC) membership where you will need to pay the remaining balance required for a membership.

If you would like to change or set up how this part of your in-kind maintenance is allocated please contact Nico at the Financial Service: [financialservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:financialservice@auroville.org.in)

Thanking you,  
*Sincerely BCC*

### L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC - Report from January to May 2015

The TDC would like to inform the community that a report from January to May 2015 has been published on the Auronet for perusal, see: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/48832>  
This report is a synopsis of key topics discussed in regular meetings.

Please find below the main topics:

- TDC-RELATED TOPICS: Communication coordinator/Secretary; New Town Development Authority; TDC membership; Master Plan map; Survey problems; Applications; Accessibility and Open House
- MANDATES, POLICIES: Land Board Mandate; Bill of Quantities; Appeal/Arbitration and Conflict resolution policy
- LAND-RELATED TOPICS: Land use in Bharatipuram; Land encroachment; Unwanted land development and Sadhana Forest
- TOWN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: Detailed Development Plan; Bore wells; Mobility; Waste Water Treatment Plant; Electrical master plan; Lines of Force and Housing development
- ROADS: Certitude road; Ring road; Service corridors; Mangalam radial; Road experiment; Windarra access and Madhuram access
- BIOREGION DEVELOPMENT: Peace meetings with Kottakarai; Statutory planning and Regional development
- GROUPS, ZONES, SERVICES: Sustainable Livelihood Institute; Green Group; International Zone; Auroville Earth Institute; SAIER and Youth Action Group
- VARIOUS TOPICS: Street light in front of Unity Pavilion; Auromode; Pebble mining; Kulapalayam Cultural Centre and News & Notes publications

### Security Advice+-

Dear friends,

This is to inform you that during the month of April 2015, 2 thefts (Aurodam, Youth Camp), 1 attempt theft (Adventure), 1 attempt bag snatch case (Tar road near Acceptance), 1 harassment incident (near Youth centre), 1 physical violence incident (Tanto) and 1 accident (near Surrender) occurred in different areas of Auroville.

**We request all Aurovillians/Newcomers/Guests to be more conscious of their valuable belongings and use additional locks for their vehicles and houses to lower the risk of thefts.**

**We recommend that women avoid travelling alone at night, and to store our security numbers in their phones to report any incidents as soon as possible.**

**Women of all ages and modest dress codes have reported harassment, so be on your guard at all times. Be wary of three boys on a bike and do not stop for local men asking for directions. For post- incident support and counseling you may call the Women's help line (open in the morning) at 262-2425 or email AV health services [avhs@auroville.org.in](mailto:avhs@auroville.org.in).**

**For escort (for people with bikes/cycles only), call Ramesh.V at 9443090107 / 9443362691. Please note that the guards cannot leave their posts without prior permission from Security management.**

**Those who are leaving town, please inform your neighbours to keep watch over your houses/apartments. Kindly inform your watchman /gurkhas or house sitters to contact us immediately when there are any people / incidents to be reported.**

**We recommend all residents and guests to travel in and around Auroville:**

- 1) **with Xerox copies of your documents only. Leave the originals in your guest house safe.**
- 2) **not to carry large amounts of cash or valuables on your person unless absolutely necessary.**
- 3) **to secure/ tie up your bags properly or to keep bags on your person instead of in cycle baskets.**

**AV Security Service (Day & Night Security: 9443090107, 9443362691)**



**MEXICO** = In early May of this year, Anandi of AVI Argentina actively participated in the [Interfaith Conference held in Guadalajara, Mexico](#). With 2,400 participants, it turned out to be the second largest interfaith gathering in the history of the Americas, and featured possibly the largest inclusion of Indigenous Peoples in any conference in the history of the Americas. Apart from this, Anandi gave presentations and workshops on Auroville in San Cristóbal de las Casas (Chiapas), at Casa Plena, and joined the World Poetry Movement, reading poems in Spanish and Nahuatl, the native language of Mexico.

**G E R M A N Y** = Friederike writes us the following about the [annual gathering of AVI Germany members and friends](#) that took place from May 14-17: "Some 80 people participated, more than a third of them being young people who have either already spent a year in Auroville as 'weltwaerts' volunteers and want to stay in contact, or who are getting prepared for their service in different village-related Auroville activities, starting August this year. The meeting saw a balanced mix of talks ("Harmony in dissonance - the world as an unfolding of consciousness" and "Yoga psychology - A tool to know oneself"), presentations, reports from Auroville, group discussions and personal encounters, meditations, yoga classes and outdoor activities.

One of the gathering's highlights was the bestowal of a quality seal to AVI Germany for its government-supported volunteers programme 'Weltwaerts', handed over by a representative of the official certifying organisation. The gentleman spoke warmly about his and his colleagues' deep appreciation for the excellent preparation of the examination documents and the exceptionally high performance of the comparatively small organisation AVI Germany in running the complex programme entirely on an honorary basis. He seemed very impressed and uplifted by the Saturday evening programme, which had been prepared by the young people and featured an ex-volunteer giving a tabla performance and future volunteers presenting themselves with funny little sketches and songs.

The evening programme was rounded off by a very special event: The father of an ex-volunteer guided us in dancing medieval group dances together. It demanded harmonious collaboration of our two brain hemispheres and a good coordination of legs and arms, and was great fun. To quote one of our 'newcomers', a future volunteer: *Apart from all the many important things we have learned, was the fact that there was no stress involved in presenting ourselves; it was more like a family celebration, a wedding or a big birthday.*

May we never forget to celebrate our togetherness in our collective yoga! "

*Just before the gathering, AVI Germany's interesting and very comprehensive 40-page newsletter came out. It can be obtained via [info@auroville.de](mailto:info@auroville.de)*

**F R A N C E** = The evening of Thursday 26 May saw a well-attended gathering of interested people, brought together for a [Round Table at Forum 104 in Paris](#) by AVI France's president, Nadia Loury. During this 'Round Table', Gilles Boeuf, biologist and president of the 'Muséum national d'Histoire Naturelle, and philosopher Patrick Viveret hosted a lively debate with each other and the 170-member audience on the need of a growth of consciousness in mankind and the formation of new societies, regularly referring back during the talks to the concrete example of Auroville. Nadia tells us that the severity of the topic met with a lot of positive energy and optimism and Aurovillians present, such as Gilles G, Marie Claire B, Mayaura and Claude J, along with active AVI France members, added valuable contributions to the discussion. Also Janine Morisset, Mother's granddaughter, was there.

**T H E N E T H E R L A N D S** = In their recent newsletter the Dutch AVI team informed us, among other things, about their coming General Assembly on June 7th that may see the formation of a new Board team, and where members will be informed about the functioning & plans of the centre, recent developments and various specific projects in Auroville; about the successful Acres for Auroville campaign, the coming AUM-cum-AVI meeting in Woodstock, and a funding request for a Russian Peace bell in the International Zone. The letter also talks about dedicated AVI members and friends putting sections of Sri Aurobindo's epic poem on music and chanted accompanied by guitar or orchestra. In this context it mentions a [Savitri Music Trust](#) in Bengaluru.

The newsletter can be downloaded from [www.auroville-int-ned.nl/](http://www.auroville-int-ned.nl/)

**C A N A D A** = AVI Canada remains loyal to its Vision Future project and informs us that the Canadian Centre, in collaboration with AVI France, Sweden and Germany, has by now accumulated some 37% of the total amount needed for the housing deposit of the current candidate.

See also [www.aurovillecanada.org/future-vision/](http://www.aurovillecanada.org/future-vision/)

**U S A** = The USA teams continue to prepare for the coming AUM/AVI meeting to be held from 20 - 23 August 2015 in Woodstock, NY.

The event is hosted by Matagiri; see [www.facebook.com/aumconference](https://www.facebook.com/aumconference) for details and/or registration, or email to [info@matagiri.org](mailto:info@matagiri.org)  
For all AVI matters, contact Vani via [vani@auroville.org.in/](mailto:vani@auroville.org.in)  
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## FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - N&N no.600 dated 06.06.2015

We would like to inform the community that our team had decided to recommend the following persons as Aurovillians and Newcomers. We will wait for two weeks (Newcomers and Returning Aurovillians) and one month (Aurovillians), from the date of this publication, for your feedback, before making our final decision.

### NEWCOMERS:

Anita ALBERTI (Italian) - Staying at Transition school staff quarters, working as part of the kitchen team at PTDC and part of the petal team at MM.

Kyong Hyon LEE (Korean) - Staying at Siddhartha forest, working as a vegan chef at Visitor Centre.

Satyavan BHATT (Indian from Gujarat) - Staying at Dana, working as a designer at Shradhanjali and also working as a teacher at Deepanam school & Last school.

Haerang KIM (Korean) - Staying at Grace, working as a teacher assistant at Nandanam school.

### CHILD OF A NEWCOMER(S):

Ellis KIM (Korean) - Born on 21/08/2009, studying at Deepanam.

We have identified a lack of clarity in the communication and confirmation of status, as the announcements done in the News and Notes are FOR FEEDBACK ONLY and sometimes, after announcement, there can be either an extension of status or a decision to stop the process. We have therefore added an additional section to confirm the status of persons previously announced.

### PEOPLE WHO HAVE LEFT AUROVILLE ON THEIR OWN:

Olivier LOYER (Canadian)

In case the above person(s) wishes to come back to live and work in Auroville, (s)he will need to restart his/her newcomer process.

### UPDATE FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE:

Dear Community,

This is to let you know that from July 1st we will be open for all new applicants. At the moment, we are working with over 150 people that are already in the process. Thank you for your understanding.

*The Entry Service team.*

Dear Newcomers,

The Entry Service team would like to inform you of the timings designated specifically for you to collect or submit the Newcomer Kit. Please pass by our office in Town Hall during these hours only: Wednesday & Friday at 2pm to 4pm. We look forward to seeing you.

We are open for B-Forms and Recommendation letter matters, on appointment only. For all other matters, the office is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10-12am, except for every last week of each month when we are closed to the public in order to focus on internal office work.

*The Entry Service team (Alexy, Aurore, B,Chitra, Ishita, Matilde, Neeti)*

## TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville - 6th Jun 2015

The following Site and Building applications are announced for feedback from the community for a period of two weeks. The announcement is made for feedback only and does not mean that the project has final approval.

The final approval is given when L'Avenir / TDC issues an NOC (No Objection Certificate). This happens only once the feedback period is over, the feedback has been evaluated, final decision by TDC has been reached and the necessary financial formalities have been completed. It is only after issuing a final building permission that fencing, building or any other activity on the site can start. It has to be noted that site

permission is given to reserve the site for a maximum period of two years in order to prepare a project proposal. It does not give any right to fence and clear the site unless, for practical reasons, there is a special permission of TDC.

### Individual Project

#### Building Permission:

1. Daniel Emdin, Srima
  - a) Bob's storeroom converting into room and do extension.
  - b) Devaki's house - change of roof (keet to tiles).

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Update IV regarding AV grown rice in the Solar Kitchen

From now onwards Solar Kitchen is offering solely AV grown pre-boiled white rice on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays for the tiffins and on all week-days in the Dining Hall. The other three days will be offered conventionally grown rice in the tiffins because the AV Granary on Annapurna Farm can't handle more at the moment and the supply should be regular and on a continuous basis. Any feedback is welcome, either to be sent to [tomas@auroville.org.in](mailto:tomas@auroville.org.in) (for AVgraingroup/granary ) or to [angelika@auroville.org.in](mailto:angelika@auroville.org.in) (for Solar Kitchen)

Those who asked specifically for daily AV grown rice in the tiffins, will receive it accordingly.

*Angelika and Tomas (Solar Kitchen Team and AV Grain-Group)*

### Reminder and Request



Dear Community,

Please keep your electronic equipment safe from lightning strikes! You can find out how at

<https://www.auroville.org.in/article/42>

[385](#)

In case it all goes wrong and you have a damaged modem please bring it us to Blue Light office at Town hall. We intend to use the parts to make working modems to donate to service units when theirs are damaged.

Sincerely, *Blue Light Team*

### Hello Blue Light users

We are sorry to have to inform you that Damien is leaving Blue Light, Dyuman is going to join Manu building Auroville's network and Sam is leaving us again.

We thank them all for everything they have done for Blue Light and wish them well in whatever they do.

We were already under-resourced for what we're trying to do for you. Our service was already worse than we wanted. It looks set to get much worse. Apologies in advance.

Damien will continue to maintain the websites he has developed at Blue Light.

Andrey, Dyuman and Sam used to do all our site visits. We are now desperately short of people in that role. We are still working out how to handle this situation. One way might be to ask services to bring computers to us.

Andrey and Dyuman used to do our Thursday afternoon "Community Support" sessions for people to bring their own computers. Sorry but we cannot continue those sessions. Perhaps Ubuntu and Linux users in Auroville would like to form a self-help group.

Keerti, a Blue Light employee at La Terrace Browsing Centre, will work full time with us when the Browsing Centre closes. He has hardware repair and network fault finding skills.

If you plan to be in Auroville for a few years, have a passion for computers and might like to work with us, please drop by our offices.

Best

Blue Light.Town Hall.262  
2500/[bluelight@auroville.org.in](mailto:bluelight@auroville.org.in)/<http://bluelightav.org>

### Auroville Vehicle Service will be closed from 28.05.2015 to 15.06.2015 for summer.

Dear Friends,

We kindly request the people who didn't pick-up their insurances or driving license to collect them before this date from our office.

Any emergency regarding new insurance, new license, new vehicle to be purchased, please write to [avvehicle@auroville.org.in](mailto:avvehicle@auroville.org.in)

For any emergency on insurance claims or accidents call Raju 9843734825 -or Saranraj 9787095511 -, to get guidelines on how to apply for insurance claim.

In case of accident, please call the Toll Free number according to your vehicle insurance company given below, to intimate your accident to the insurance company. Keep all your vehicle documents and driving license at the time of intimating to the company. They will ask all details of the vehicle registration and your driving license and the act of accidents. In case of third person is involved in the accident, please intimate as soon as possible to the nearest police station regarding the accident and get CSR or FIR certificate.

1800 103 54 99 - Iffco - Tokio General Insurance Company  
1800 200 55 44 - Chola MS General Insurance Company  
1800 200 77 10 - National Insurance Company Ltd.

We advise that you carry your vehicle documents, Indian driving license and insurance photocopies all the time with your vehicle due to regular check by the police.

**To avoid accident,**

Wear helmet while you drive 2 wheelers,  
Wear your seat belts while you drive 4 wheelers,  
Drive on moderate speed,  
Do not drink & drive,  
Obey to the traffic rules and follow it.

Thank you, Regards,

**Raju.** Auroville Vehicle Service, Town Hall, Auroville  
Ph- 0413 2623302 / 9843734825 /9787095511 Email:  
[avvehicle@auroville.org.in](mailto:avvehicle@auroville.org.in)

## Bus service to/from Puducherry Bus Stand through Edyanchavady to Auroville Visitor's Center

Dear Community,

The Kamban Youth Team from Edyanchavady would like to inform that we have brought back the bus service to/from Puducherry Bus Stand through Edyanchavady to Auroville Visitor's Center. The bus service was functioning about 20 years back, but was stopped for various reasons. We are grateful to the Collector (Villipuram District), to TamilNadu Transport Corporation (Operations Manager, Villipuram), to Puducherry Transport Corporation (Transport Manager), to the Thasildhar (Vannur), to the Inspector of Police (Auroville) for granting us this service once again.

The bus runs 3x daily, 7 days a week (Rs.7 - Rs.9 per trip):

Morning 7:30 from Puducherry, Bus Stand

Morning 8:15 from Visitors Auroville, Visitor's Center

Noon 13:30 from Puducherry, Bus Stand

Noon 14:15 from Visitors Auroville, Visitor's Center

Evening 16:30 from Puducherry, Bus Stand

Evening 17:15 from Visitors Auroville, Visitor's Center

We hope this affordable form of transportation will benefit all from this region, while simultaneously encouraging public transport which is more environmentally conscious.

Sincerely,

*The Kamban Youth Team*

Please note that we are also happy to announce that the Kamban Youth Team is working very closely with the Youth Action Group in Auroville.

## News from the Sustainable Livelihood Institute (SLI)

"It costs me 500rs. every time I invite a veterinarian to my village and we have to travel 20 kms. to reach him anyway. Now with what I have learnt here I can save myself this expenditure and the travel by taking care of my cattle with locally grown herb", said one of the participants from Thiruvallur district after attending the program on 'ethno-veterinary principles and practices' organized by the Sustainable Livelihood Institute (SLI) at Nadukuppam village.

The SLI inaugurated in April is now based at Naicker House between Kottakarai and Irumbai (ex-Water Harvest building) has started its regular course activities since the middle of May. So far the majority of activities have been skill-based training sessions of two or three days each in the domains of agriculture, livestock, and herbal medicine apart from an unique clinic for rural enterprises. This month saw participants primarily coming from communities of Northern Districts of Tamil Nadu with the majority of them coming from the neighbouring districts to Auroville. The SLI is also giving different courses for government officers from all districts of Tamil Nadu, aimed at building vision & perspective for creating sustainable livelihoods in rural South India.

The SLI journey has just started and the very positive feedback has got the team excited on the possibilities! Many Auroville units have been part of these programs and we hope more will join as we grow.

Please follow our updates on [sli-av.blogspot.in](http://sli-av.blogspot.in), and watch out in N&N for invitations for other programs that we look forward to sharing with all of Auroville!

Your growing SLI team

Contacts: Aravinda (at Naicker House) - 9487329480 write to [sli@auroville.org.in](mailto:sli@auroville.org.in)

## Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research

*"Living Within" Study Camp Schedule for 2015*

Topic	Month	Dates	Speakers	Camp number	Camp Fees	Camp begins	Camp ends
Triple Sadhana through Work, Devotion, Meditation	June	26 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup>	Dr. Ananda Reddy	6	Rs. 2700	9.00 am - 5.30 pm with 3 breaks	1.30 pm day 3
The Supreme Secret of the Bhagvad Gita	July	17 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	Dr. Ananda Reddy	7	Rs. 2700	9.00 am - 5.30 pm with 3 breaks	1.30 pm day 3
Psychology of Health: An Integral Approach to Body Awareness and Self-Healing	August	10 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup>	Dr. Alok Pandey & Dr. Falguni Jani	8	Rs. 5500	9.00 am - 5.30 pm with 3 breaks	5.30 pm day 5

Please send the amount by DD in favour of SACAR Trust or through NEFT bank transfer

For Camp Registration email: [sacarstudycamps@gmail.com](mailto:sacarstudycamps@gmail.com) or call 9994190403, 9443019172

Registration would be confirmed only on full payment

For Guest House Booking and further details please email: [gayatri\\_sarkar@hotmail.com](mailto:gayatri_sarkar@hotmail.com) or call 8148881015

NOTE:

- Rooms may have to be shared in double and triple bed-rooms.
- A/C Rooms if availed would incur extra-charges (As there are limited A/C Rooms, kindly book well in advance). Room tariffs: Rs. 550 single, Rs.800 double.
- Anyone wanting to stay before or beyond the camp dates must book immediately with Ms. Gayatri Sarkar.

**Venue:** SACAR - Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research, 39, Vanniar Street, Vaithikuppam, Puducherry, 605012, Tele: (0413) 2348067

**Landmarks to reach SACAR:** Mother's house (Vaithikuppam); Padmininagar Post Office (old); Masimagham Road

ALL ARE WELCOME Anandi Progress

## POSTINGS

### Sri Aurobindo's Savitri classes cancelled

Dear friends, Shri Dr Ananda Reddy will be out of station for two weeks, so there is no Savitri class on Monday 1 June and 8 June. The classes will be resumed regularly on June 15, 5 - 6 pm at Savitri Bhavan with deliberations on the third Soul Force, the Madonna of Light, culminating in the indispensable precondition for the Integral Yoga, The Finding of the Soul (Book VII, Canto IV + V). All are welcome!

### Baby born

Dear Auroville community,  
We are happy to announce that on 12 of May our son Ivan-Bogdan was born. Welcome to the world Ivan!  
*Alexey, Linda, Kirill and Lubomira.*

## AVAILABLE

### Canon 50d Digital camera

Canon EOS 50D with Canon 18-200mm lens and accessories. 15.1 megapixel digital camera with EOS Integrated Cleaning System. Used and in good Condition. Comes with 2 batteries, battery charger, eyepiece cover, lens cap, Canon neck strap and memory cards (2gb + 2gb + 4gb). The included Canon lens (EF-S 18-200mm f/3.5-5.6) is now rare to find. Includes Hoya UV filter. Battery specifications: Canon BP-511A Li-ion rechargeable battery - 1390 mAh (2 included), along with original battery charger.  
Purchased first hand in Bangkok. Original bills and warranty card available. All CDs and original user manuals available.

Call 9843948288 or email [vikram@auroville.org.in](mailto:vikram@auroville.org.in) for more details. *Vikram*

### HD Samsung monitor 22 inches.

In good condition, less than 2 years old with bill and warranty card. Please call 9884035536,  
*Shiv Godi*

### Two bikes

Hero Honda Splendour (2000 model). mileage 55km/L. Original papers available.

Bajaj discover (2010 model). The engine has run about 27000kms and gives an average mileage of 50km/L. Original papers with insurance are available.  
Contact- *Ojas* (8489041920)

### An Amma

My Amma is looking for work on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons. I can recommend her as a good and reliable worker. 'She speaks hardly any English' If you are interested please call me at 2622 649 or [sylviazi2000@yahoo.co.in](mailto:sylviazi2000@yahoo.co.in)  
*Sylvia/Surrender*

### Plants for Sale at Matrimandir Nursery

A new selection of plants is available for sale at the Nursery.  
Sale timings: week days from 8:30 am till 12:00 noon

### Few things

Rock-climbing shoes; Simond orange/grey. Size 42.  
Electric guitar: I Banese black&white  
Amplifier; Marshall 10W  
Also a lot of reading books, science fiction mostly. Call *Tenzin* 7598246250

### Motar cycle

Mahindra centuro, 1 ½ years old (16000kms) Red color. Excellent working condition. Contact Mani/ Le Morgan café 8098433031

### Flats in Courage

In COURAGE, we began to build new flats. There are some again available. Detailed information by [eugen@auroville.org.in](mailto:eugen@auroville.org.in) or Phone 2623137. The flats will be ready April 2016. *Eugen*

## LOOKING FOR ...

### Small solar panel!

Has anyone has still a small solar panel lying around, the ones that were sold by Sunlit future after the cyclone as emergency light?

Please let me know if you want to exchange it for a fair price. It is for feeding a fan in a solar dryer.

*Ben.* 9159275735

### German Lessons

Looking for daily 2hr Intensive German lessons. I am wishing for a reasonable fee please. I can begin lessons immediately. Please contact me at [greenlandwoods@yahoo.com](mailto:greenlandwoods@yahoo.com). *Danke*

### Laptop

I'm looking for a used laptop. Please contact *David.mv*: 7639449338

### Violin

This is Karthik from Solitude Farm and I am a beginner of violin. If you have a violin and if you can lend it to me for a

period of time (till I get to a better level) then, I will give it back to you. Thanks.

For contact - E-mail: [karthikkootroad@yahoo.co.in](mailto:karthikkootroad@yahoo.co.in) Phone: 9443617684"

### Furniture

Finally we found a home, as we have to start from 0 we are grateful for any support, if you have any furniture bed etc. kitchen tools kitchen staff, garden tools etc. you do not need anymore please contact us, anything can be a big help to us

*Julia*: 809 876 0113 or *Vijayan*: 978 675 1774

Contact: [julia@auroville.org.in](mailto:julia@auroville.org.in)

### Aikiyam School needs firewood

Aikiyam School needs firewood for cooking school lunches. If you are able to help us, please contact Shankar at 89401-93339 or 89031-52339, and we will arrange with you when to pick it up. You can also email us at [aikiyamschool@auroville.org.in](mailto:aikiyamschool@auroville.org.in)

Many thanks in advance,

*Support Group, Staff and Students*

## THANK YOU

### To Soham's offering of Nirvana Yoga Dance

Soham,

So sorry I did not see you before I left AV in April. I will return at the end of June! I am happy to see your offering, 'Nirvana Yoga Dance' & will be happy to participate. *Mary Black*

## APPEAL

### Support the African Pavilion

The African Pavilion group is planning to build some temporary structures to get the first activities on site going. We, Clapton, Iraguha and Taher are planning to build a little community hall, a dry compost toilet, a bathroom and a kitchen on site. This will allow us to better represent Africa in Auroville and to host small events. In the future some houses for volunteers are being planned as well. Some donations from well-wishers were received that will allow us to commence the activities on site. However we are still in need of more support in order to be able to complete the first temporary structures. We appreciate support in kind and in cash. If you have any building material such as fired bricks, kadappa stones, granite boulders, blue metal that you are not using and are willing to give away please contact Clapton (mobile: 9159895372,0413 26 23 576,email [eyeclapton@auroville.org.in](mailto:eyeclapton@auroville.org.in)). Cash contribution can be made in the name of African house on PT account no: 251476.

Peace

## ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED

### House sitting1

Our family would like to live in Auroville as pre newcomers from 1st Sept 2015. We are looking for a house or a large flat that we can take good care of.

We are good with pets and plants. We are happy to cover any needed contributions. Please contact us on [kasiawierzbi@gmail.com](mailto:kasiawierzbi@gmail.com)  
*Kasia, Ravi and 2 year old Pari*

### House sitting2

We are a young couple with our two year old daughter looking for a house/apartment during the months of September to November. Please get in touch on [maaliwalli@gmail.com](mailto:maaliwalli@gmail.com) .  
*Simrit Malhi*

### House sitting3

We are looking for a house in Auroville for a family of 6, from the 20/06 for one month.

Preferably in the residential zone at the beach. Please contact:  
*Yasmin* 9943311619 / 2622671 or email:  
[Yasmin@auroville.org.in](mailto:Yasmin@auroville.org.in)

### House sitting4

We are a family of three - Xavier, working in Taste of Nature, Veronique, working in Auromode, and Eva (10 years old) studying in Deepanam school. We are newcomers and are looking for a house-sitting, preferably in the green belt. Please contact: 83 44 49 83 05 or [x.maysonnave@auroville.org.in](mailto:x.maysonnave@auroville.org.in)  
Thank you -*Eva, Veronique and Xavier*

### Housesitter

I am looking for a clean and reliable house sitter for the month of June to take care of a house and a cute cat in Auromodele.  
Contact *Petra*, Mob: 8489 286928

## TAXI SHARING

June 7th: Taxi would leave airport at 5 pm to Auroville on 7th June, Sunday. Sharing possible both ways - 1) From Auroville to airport - Flexible timing & no passenger going (to reach airport around 4:30 pm and upto 4 persons can share) & 2) On way back from airport - there is place for only 1 person.  
Contact: *Lalit*, [lalit@auroville.org.in](mailto:lalit@auroville.org.in), 9443790172

June 8th: Taxi leaves Auroville on 8th, Monday morning at 4 am for Chennai Airport and will start for return from there at 7

am. Taxi can be shared coming or going. Contact:  
[asheshjoshi@auroville.org.in](mailto:asheshjoshi@auroville.org.in), cell: 9489147202, Phone: 0413 2622430

June 10th: Flying with Kuwait Airways at 5.45am (leaving Auroville around 2am). If interested, call *Sophie* 9486475972 or contact [sophie@auroville.org.in](mailto:sophie@auroville.org.in)

## WORK OPPORTUNITIES

### For Sharan

SHARAN a vegan organization focused on health and nutrition is looking for someone for office administration. The person should have excellent English skills, computer skills and should be personable and able to answer phone calls and take notes, write emails. Additional skills like graphics and languages would be an asset. The person needs to be responsible, efficient and regular. Previous experience in office administration would be an asset. Please apply with your complete resume to [nandita@sharan-india.org](mailto:nandita@sharan-india.org)

### Person required to work at FoodLink

FoodLink is looking for someone to receive produce from farmers, transport the produce in Auroville and maintain the work area. It would be preferably a man as there is heavy lifting and carrying. It is a part-time job and a half-time maintenance is available. The job is temporary for six months. If interested please contact the Farm Office on 262-3107.

### ACI is growing

The team of Auroville Campus Initiative (ACI) is expanding and seeking for an enthusiastic and creative individual in the area

of communication and information management. Your main focus will be to support our Joy of Learning program, which we plan to offer on a monthly basis, starting again in July. If you're passionate about communication, and enjoy a creative challenge: how to make 'facts' more interesting for the average resident, and exploring how to effectively encourage individuals to experience the "Joy of Learning" then please consider joining us. We ask that you have good English language writing skills, to be computer literate, and embody well-honed organizational skills. You are an independent

worker who also enjoys being part of an energetic team that is passionate about offering further learning in Auroville. If this sounds like you, then please write to us at the email provided below.

**Note:** this position can be fulfilled by either 1 full-time person, or 2 part-time people, and maintenance can be provided. We look forward to hearing from you.

*Amy, Mike, Lalit, and Min*  
ACI

Contact us at: [edu@auroville.org.in](mailto:edu@auroville.org.in)

## HEALTH

### Ayurvedic Doctor

I am an Ayurvedic Doctor (M.D. Ayurved), Yoga Therapist (Y.T.T.C.), and Naturotherapist (N.D.D.Y., P.G.D.Y.N). I am giving consultation & treatment (detoxification- panchkarma) in Health Center at Auroville on Monday between 9 to 12 p.m., personal consultation & treatment in Auroville and Pondicherry, and also lectures and workshops on different topics in Ayurvedic Education. For appointment or more information please contact: Phone number: +91 9443288156. Email: [drgeetaauropremi@gmail.com](mailto:drgeetaauropremi@gmail.com)

I will conduct a free Ayurvedic Diagnostic Camp at Auroville Health Centre, on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 9.30am to 12 noon. If interested, please register at the Health Centre Reception. Ph 2622123 and 2622018, by June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
*Dr. Geeta Auropremi*

## AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear Listeners,

If you have an H2 Recording device (or similar) that you are not using, pls consider donating/lending it to the Auroville radio where it will be cared for and used everyday by our many students, volunteers and professionals. These are the latest programs published by AurovilleRadio this week. All the recordings are available in CD or ready to be copied on your memory stick at the AurovilleRadio premises in Town Hall, opposite the Financial Service.

**ad-hoc Resource Mobilization Team** (Auroville's Economy 29/05/2015)

Listen to Gjis who is a part of the new ad-hoc resource mobilization team, introducing their objectives. -[English, 14 Minutes]

**Off the Cuff-29** (Performing Arts 29/05/2015)

Our Services, aging populations and the money for changing asbestos roofing, moderation progress and more.. -[English, 18 Minutes]

**Music, Storms** (News from Auroville 29/05/2015)

Rock concert of Tamil independent bands tomorrow at Visitors Centre at 5.30pm . -[English, 11 Minutes]

**Selections par Gangalakshmi-41** (Performing Arts 27/05/2015)

You can listen to all of the programs and more on [www.aurovillerradio.org](http://www.aurovillerradio.org). For more info call 0413-2623331 or email [a@aurovillerradio.org](mailto:a@aurovillerradio.org)

Selection par Gangalakshmi de l'Agenda de Mère sur la transformation du corps par le Swami Ramalingam. -[French, 12 Minutes]

**Brasil and Bossa Nova** (Music 26/05/2015)

Talking about jazz history with soundtracks - this one continue story of latin jazz with Brasil - Bossa Nova -[English, 118 Minutes]

**Savitri, Book 7, Canto.2 (part 3)** (The Mother 25/05/2015)

Loretta Reads Savitri, Book VII The Book Of Yoga, Canto II, The Third Part -[English, 11 Minutes]

**Oneness and Music** (News from Auroville 25/05/2015)

We will be Souircing Our Oneness with many on Sunday and listen to Tamil rock bands on Saturday. -[English, 9 Minutes]

## EATING OUT

### From Well Cafe

Dear Community friends,  
WellCafe reopen on Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
All are welcome. *WellCafe team*"

### From the Morgan Cafe

The Morgan Café will reopen on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> of June.  
Welcome back to Idlis- Dosai- Pancakes and French food Lovers  
*The Morgan Café Team*

### Naturellement Garden Cafe summer break.

Dear friends,  
We will close our restaurant from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of June. Sorry for the inconvenience, but in July we will be back again with fresh energy and new items on the menu!  
We will keep you posted on the opening date.  
*Love, the Garden Cafe team*

# Notes

## To all those who want to turn to the future

Sri Aurobindo and the Mother have announced on several occasions that the New Consciousness is at work and that we all need to be sensitive to its action so that it can make changes, open new horizons, perceiving that a new world wants to be born.

Maybe the time has come for us to reconsider the direction we have taken and to assess the opportunities now available to us in order to allow the New Consciousness to become a reality every day.

The advent of this new world will take decades if not centuries. It is important to work to promote and hasten its coming, because it is an evolutionary certainty. For each, the choice is imperative. Harmony, Beauty, True Love will be the prerogative of the future life.

"The world is preparing for a big change. Will you help?" the Mother says in one of her New Year messages. That should be our daily aspiration, questioning our manners of all kinds and especially the educational approach. Children belong to the future, while former education systems retain them in the past.

The New Consciousness operates first the external change by internal change.

In this context, our education should facilitate inner discovery and show external realities in the light of a more subjective and deeper knowledge. Gradually the child will be aware of what he really is, choosing among subjects of study the most favorable for his progress. During his apprenticeship, the reason for his existence will appear to him, in the joy of learning and expressing what he is.

As in the culture of fine fruits, beautiful flowers and plants of all kinds from seeds, when the child is small, then he is more sensitive to everything that happens around him, he needs more protection and his free growth will mainly depend on the environment in which he will flourish. The place will be beautiful, harmonious, clean and offer a variety of stimuli to increase sensory abilities. Appropriate games will form his character, strength, flexibility, sense of balance, his address. He will be surrounded by adults caring for his future and wanting to arouse in themselves the awakening that they want for the child.

Around the age of 12, the child's faculties are sufficiently developed for him to be able to grasp by the intellect external knowledge and explore the Writings that will be a guide to his inner growth, and this up to the point where he can imagine and realize a new life that will unfold gradually. He will have the opportunity to acquire a skill to see and locate diverse pieces of knowledge in their true place in the evolution and not be their slave, or be influenced by them.

Auroville wants to become the prototype of a new world, to raise us from the beaten track and pave for children a path to the future, driven by an Ideal already present in our inner being and pressing to be perceived and made manifest.

Expression of our individual efforts, New Creation keeps this vision in its approach to education, despite the pitfalls and delays of material realities to be established.

We must remain open. If one refers to the situation at the beginning of Auroville, we see that the Mother, for whom education was a priority, proposed for Auroville schools the following names: "Last School", "After School" and "No School". It made us realize that the entire life is a school. Auroville as a whole should become a school, each resident a student of this futurist school and it is what he must share with all the children, as in a family where love of relatives is shared among the community.

For now, it is necessary to construct the material basis for this collective evolution and Aurovillians have the duty to prepare children for this new life and put in place the infrastructure for its deployment, so that children could play their role as links in the endless chain of the manifestation of the Divine Consciousness.

Andre. New Creation [andre@auroville.org.in](mailto:andre@auroville.org.in)

With love

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## For your calendar



### AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri - read by Mother to Sunil's music  
Every Thursday at sunset  
From 6 to 6.30 pm.

Dear Friends and Aurovillians,

This is to inform you that the Amphitheatre program continues on Thursdays from 6 to 6.30 pm

Even though we announced that it will be discontinued for the months of May and June.

We are happy to let you know that we have found volunteers to take this up and continue as before.

Text from 'The Mother' by Sri Aurobindo along with Sunil's music will be played.

Aurovillians, Newcomers, Guests with Aurocard are welcome to enjoy the meditative music at sunset.

See you there.

*Amphitheatre Team*



**INVITATIONS**

## To the Screening of the Lilith Fashion School Movie

You are hereby officially invited to the screening of Lilith Fashion School's critically-acclaimed and intensely stylish short movie! Some brief presentations from the designers will precede the screening. The movie and presentations will be short and together will be less than 30 minutes.

Afterwards, viewers are encouraged to mingle and discuss the movie's many layers of meaning and artistic implications, downstairs in the Visitors' Centre amphitheatre where ambient lights and music will augment the mood.

**WHEN:** 8pm, Saturday June 6th

**WHERE:** Zephyr Cafe (above the Visitors' Centre Cafeteria)

All are also encouraged to enjoy Zephyr's quality, delicious, affordable food, not to mention the already-famous Visitors' Centre Cafeteria cuisine on the ground floor.

Don't hesitate to call Jesse on 948 6623 749 if you have any queries regards this chic event!

## Opening the gates to the village



You are cordially invited to join the Sanjeevinagar Temple festival at Sanjeevinagar Village

on 05.06.2015 - Drupadhi Amman's wedding (6pm - 9pm)

While Pandavas were living in the appearance as Brahmanas, they heard the news of the *swayamvara* of Drupadhi, the daughter of Drupada, King of Panchala, reached them. Many brahmanas planned to go to Panchala in the hope of receiving the customary gifts and to see the festivities and pageant of a royal wedding. Therefore, the Pandavas participated in the *swayamvara* of Drupadhi and won in the *swayamvara* and got married Drupadhi.

**06.06.2015 Arjunan on Tapas (penance) (9pm - 10pm)**

As the Pandavas were defeated in gambling by the Gauravas, they had to go to live in forests for 12 years and in the country for 1 year by hiding in different appearance according to an agreed upon decision. As the Pandavas arrived at the forest, the *rishi* (saint) Yasaga met them. He cautioned and advised them that in the future, there would be a big battle between the Pandavas and the Gauravas. At that time, many warriors will be there blessed with Lord Siva. To win them in the battle, Arjunan should to do Tapas (penance) towards Lord Siva and

the get the great weapon Pasupadarkanai. This is called Arjunan on Tapas.

**08.06.2015 Fire walking festival (6pm - 8pm)**

When the Pandavas were living and hiding, Keesagan was killed by Bhima who only had the capability of strength to do so. Therefore, Duriyodhana kidnapped all the cows of the kingdom of Virada to fight with them. This is called 'driving cows'.

Drupadhi or Panchali was the incarnation of Parvathi who came from Kailash to the earth. She lived together with the Pandavas, therefore, she had purified herself through the fire to go back to Kailash to live with Lord Siva again. To signify this incident, the fire walking festival takes place at this time.

**09.06.2015 Turmeric holy water festival (6pm - 8pm)**

On the last day, it is an appreciation of all the Gods and Goddess, to indicate that, the turmeric holy water festival takes place. People have fun by throwing turmeric water with each other.

For more information:

Mohanam Cultural Centre

Phone: 0413 - 2623806 - 2623394

E-mail: [mohanam@auroville.org.in](mailto:mohanam@auroville.org.in)

Web: [www.mohanam.org](http://www.mohanam.org)

You are very welcome to participate in this Village temple festival and explore village experience

## Welcome to Youth Link

Dear Community,

Youth Link is happy to announce that you may now visit us at our new office at Bharat Nivas. We are very grateful to the Bharat Nivas team for allowing us to use this beautiful space. You will find us inside the colourfully painted building, opposite the auditorium's entrance. We are open to public Tuesday-Friday from 14:00 - 17:00. We will continue to work on our goals related to Housing, Education and Employment... Moreover we are also working towards an event for International Youth Day on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2015. If you would like to get involved, please do feel encouraged and most welcome to drop by and get to know more. We are also recruiting new part/full time members. We look forward to seeing you and working with you!

Warmly,

The Youth Link Team

[youth@auroville.org.in](mailto:youth@auroville.org.in)

## **C L A S S E S , W O R K S H O P S**

### Nutritional Value

Banana stem is high in fiber and can aid in the treatment of ulcers or an acidic stomach. Like the fruit, Banana stem is very high in potassium and vitamin B6, which together benefit the muscles and the body's production of hemoglobin and insulin. In Ayurvedic practice, Banana stem is used to aid in weight-loss, and is also said to be beneficial to overall health. It is also said to have cooling properties, which are beneficial in hot environments. Banana stem is also a diuretic and can help prevent kidney stone

So this wonderful plant is in such abundance here and is very very cheap as it is a by-product of the banana plant. It also has no ecological cost, ie no carbon foot print, as as all local food, it has no food miles.

So on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of June we will teach you how to make a vegetable dish

On Tuesday 9th we will look at Banana stem salad which is a wonderful salad and very versatile.

On Wednesday 10th we will make a curry with the stem.

And on Thursday 11th Banana stem juice

Please come and learn about local food, it's wonderful taste, nutritional benefits and obvious social and ecological benefits.

this workshop is especially aimed at people having restaurants, guest houses, or run other eateries.

yours,

Krishna

### Acroyoga

Acroyoga for beginners is back every Sunday 8 to 10am at Arka. Partnered yoga and beginning of flying yoga. No need to bring a partner. Flexibility, power, & surrender are all combined... Experience in yoga (particularly Ashtanga) is very helpful.

Jam session of Acroyoga every Saturday from 15h30 to 18h in front of Mitra youth center.

Open to everyone already practices Acroyoga. *Damien*: 90 47 72 27 40

### 'Embracing the planet'

This is a performance being created to be showcased on the 12th of July at Bharat Nivas. The team members are offering classes through the month. Read on, to know more and interested candidates, do register soon by mailing to Riju at, [kalai@auroville.org.in](mailto:kalai@auroville.org.in)

- Classes scheduled are from 9-11am on Friday's starting June 5th 2015.

Class content overview:

Week 1 - **Energy management for dance and drama performer.** To be in connection with the body, to be present to yourself. For that we work with breath, with movement in the space, awaken to the space around, awaking our senses to be here and now. This allows one to be aware of one's own energetic state and how to play with this to create and move.

Week 2 - **Interaction with others, nature, elements, sounds and dynamics.** Create a space inside ourselves where we allow to be in deep connection with the energy of nature, elements, frequencies, and other people. This is a guided work of discovery of self and other in the creative context.

Week 3 - **Accessing cellular/body memory.** Using specific frequencies to reactivate our connection and awareness of our cellular life. A journey into the interior landscape to be in dialogue with our cells, cultivating an intimate listening.

Week 4 - **Vocal exploration and expression.** Learn to hear your voice without judgment or critique... to welcome the voice as it is. Through a play with the voice explore a part of yourself as an expression of you. Your voice is the muscle of your soul.

Week 5 - **Synthesis and Synesthesia** - Bringing together of all the elements, experiencing a shift in perception, hearing color, seeing sound, moving with the essential frequencies.

**About the Facilitators:**

'Embracing the Planet' is the creative fruition of **Philippe Pelen Baldini** and **Thierry Moucazambo** from Reunion Island. The show comes as a result of over 30 years of in-depth artistic experience, research and collaboration with the San bushmen (the first people from Southern Africa) and different indigenous groups. During this time Philippe and Thierry, as choreographer and director respectively, also worked with scientists, archeologists, neuroscientists, biologists, astronomers working to bridge the gap between art, science and indigenous traditional Wisdom.

'Embracing the planet' is an immersive artistic experience inspired by the San bushman of Africa and science, exploring our vital link with nature and the cosmos. This multi-media production merges the spirit of the first people's artistry with modern technology. This is a multi-cultural and trans-cultural experience bridging Africa- India and the rest of the world.

Over the last 30 years Philippe and Thierry have created 25 award winning shows with performances in over 62 countries featured at famous venues such as Opera de Paris, Théâtre de la Ville de Paris, Grande Halle de la Villette and well-known festivals in Hong Kong, Singapore, Indonesia, Italy, Scotland, England, Brazil, Canada, South Africa, Poland, Senegal and many other countries. This show is our sewa for a better world and is inspired by Sri Aurobindo and the Mother and India.

Kind Regards, *Riju*

### Inner-Work-Workshop

**Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother**

**9th June (Tuesday)**

•Overview with multimedia presentation• Questions and Answers• Practice in Daily Life• Complementary Concentration Exercises

•Creative Arts, Interactive Games•Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother•Introduction to the Reference Books

Focus this week on: 'Vision and the Way'

These Workshops are conducted every Tuesday, each week with a different focus. Study, play and creativity go hand in hand with various inner exercises.

Place: Savitri Bhavan. Time: 9 am to 12.00 Noon (pl be present by 8.55 am)

Led by Ashesh Joshi. Contact: 9489147202, 2622922

No Registration required (except for groups)

Fees: Voluntary Contribution

All are welcome

For details on the Integral Yoga and the upcoming workshops: please visit [www.integralyoga-auroville.com](http://www.integralyoga-auroville.com)

### Aquagym Class Summer break

The class is suspended from now on and the next class will resume Thursday, July 23rd from 4 to 5 pm.

See you then :-)

*Elisa*

### Regular classes in Sunspace ,Terrasoul community in Windarra.

1. Pilates for all levels.

Timing from 16.30 to 17.30 every Tuesday and Thursday. With Miriam. mv. 7639449338

2. Self Defense all levels, for everybody.

Timing from 17.00 to 18.30 every Monday. with Martin

3. Pencak Silat. (Traditional Indonesian Martial Art) All levels.

Timing 17.00 to 18.30 every Wenesday. with Martin.

4. Thai Massage for all levels. Start in June

Timing 09.30 to 12.00 every Sunday with Juan mv. 9443434182

### English Pronunciation Practice

Mondays 9 to 10:30 with Savitri as text. Savitri Bhavan Reading Room. Free.

Wednesdays 10:45 to 12:00 with texts related to our life here. Includes specific and individual work with phonetics, if needed. Creativity Community Library.

Saturdays 4:30 to 5:45 - same style as above, but has different material and is not a repeat of Wednesday. Creativity Community Library.

Cash Rs 20 is requested for the Monday series and Rs 20 for the Wednesday series for materials. Open to all. With Patricia.

### Mixed Martial Arts class

Every Monday and Friday from 5.30 to 7pm, there will be a Mixed Martial Arts class in the Dehashakti Sportsground Gym. Anybody who wants to stay in good shape by exploring every aspect of the martial sports world is welcome to join. The class is for anyone from the age of 15 onwards, regardless of their level of experience. The class will focus on the cross-training of various combat techniques that derive from Boxing, Kickboxing, Muay Thai, Kung Fu, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Sambo and Grappling. Giacomo will give the MMA and Grappling classes, and Antonello and Indra will teach the standing strikes and athletic training. Contacts: Giacomo: 9487340778 Indra: 9487919832 Antonello: 8940243691

### OM CHOIR- OM Singing

That is to inform all Lovers of singing OM and who likes to learn about the New Music for the New World that the OM CHOIRS at SAVITRI BHAVAN are happening again, on TUESDAYS, 5:45pm.

In 1961 the Mother gave the *adesh* to Narad to bring down a new music. She said that one must go far above words and bring down the pure Music. Mother told us to sit in a circle and have no preconceptions as to what we would sing but to be silent and let the music descend in us. The OM Choir aspires to bring down the New Music for the New World in a collective body. We sing only OM, the creative and effectuating word after starting with warming-up and voice exercises given by Narad.

## SCHEDULES

# SAVITRI BHAVAN

June 2015

## EXHIBITION

*Sri Aurobindo : A Life-Sketch in Photographs*  
Continues in the upstairs corridor

## FILMS

June 22: *Living with Savitri* - video of the 5th Dr. M.V. Nadkarni  
Memorial Lecture given by Dr. Prema Nandakumar at Savitri Bhavan on February 19, 2015  
Duration: 74min.

June 29: *Meditations on Savitri: Book One Canto 5: The Yoga of the King: The Yoga of the Spirit's Freedom and Greatness*  
A film by Manohar of Huta's paintings, illustrating passages from *Savitri* read by The Mother and  
Accompanied by her own organ music. Duration: 33min.

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Sundays 10.30-12 noon: *Savitri* Study Circle  
Mondays 5-6 pm: The Integral Yoga in *Savitri* led by Dr. Ananda Reddy  
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays 3-4 pm: *Yoga and the Evolution of Man*, led by Dr. Jai Singh  
Tuesdays 5-6 pm: *Savitri* study in Tamil, led by Sudarshan  
Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 4-5pm *L'Agenda de Mère*: listening to recordings with Gangalakshmi  
Wednesdays 5.30-6.30 pm: Reading *the Life Divine*, led by Shraddhavan  
Thursdays 4-5 pm: The English of *Savitri*, led by Shraddhavan  
Fridays 5.30-6.30pm: *Meditations with Hymns to Mystic Fire by Sri Aurobindo* led by Nishtha  
Saturdays 5-6.30 pm: Satsang led by Ashesh Joshi

## Full Moon Gathering

Tuesday June 2, 7.15-8.15pm in front of Sri Aurobindo's statue  
Digital Library: multimedia facilities for individual study

This space offers individual computer access to a large range of audio-visual materials. All the recordings of courses, guest lectures and special events held at Savitri Bhavan are available, as well as much more. Aurovillians, visitors and volunteers are invited to make use of this opportunity to increase their knowledge and understanding of the vision of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother and the aims and ideals underlying the experiment of Auroville.

Main Building, Office and Exhibition are open Monday to Saturday 9-5  
Reading Room and Digital Library will be closed on Saturdays throughout this month  
Everyone is welcome



## Bamboo Centre Training Program for June

### TRAINING AND WORKSHOP

The importance of Bamboo as an Eco-friendly raw material capable of meeting many needs and is gaining global acceptance among many people.

Being a natural gift to mankind, bamboo is very popular due to its multipurpose use, fast growth, easy propagation, soil binding properties and short gestation period.

The Auroville Bamboo centre offers training to individuals and groups in:

#### Bamboo Construction

9th to 12th June -4 days - TRAINING PROGRAM ON BAMBOO CONSTRUCTION

24th to 27th June-4 days - TRAINING PROGRAM ON BAMBOO CONSTRUCTION

#### Bamboo Furniture

17th to 19th June-4 days - TRAINING PROGRAM ON BAMBOO FURNITURE

The program will consist of learning inputs: theory, instruction, demonstration, and practical work.

Flexible training dates offered to groups. Contact: 0413-2623806

[aurovillebamboocentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurovillebamboocentre@auroville.org.in), [bambooworkshop@auroville.org.in](mailto:bambooworkshop@auroville.org.in), [www.aurovillebamboocentre.org](http://www.aurovillebamboocentre.org)

## ARKA WELLNESS CENTER JUNE- 2015

Phone : 0413-2623799/ Website : [www.arka.org.in](http://www.arka.org.in)

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Cranio Sacral, Lomi Lomi massage &	SILVANA by appointment 9047654157	Monday to Saturday
Acupuncture	Dr. MOHAMMED SAHEL ANSARI by appointment 9994208068	Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Yogic Healing Therapeutic Massage	BASU - by appointment 9443997568	Monday to Friday 8 to9:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Saturday & Sunday Mornings
Hypnotherapy and Chakras Healing	Marcella- by appointment 9443338734	Also in Italian
Siddha Treatment ( Discover the traditional Medicine)	Shivaraj - 93454 54232	Monday, Wednesday and Friday From: 10:00 am to12:00 pm by appointment.

## BEAUTY PARLOR

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Holistic Reflexology, Face Massage,	MEHA by appointment 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Hair dressing	LADINA (Certified Hairdresser) appointment - 9787337465	Monday to Saturday
Hair dressing	YUVAL appointment 7639291546	Monday to Friday

#### REGULAR CLASSES IN THE MULTIPURPOSE HALL - 1ST FLOOR

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
ACRO-YOGA	DAMIEN - 9047722740	Sunday-Beginners class at 8:00 to 10:00am Wednesday - Intermediate class at 5:15 to 6:30 pm
VOCAL YOGA VY®	Clare Fanning - 9442318775 Giridev - 8940056137	Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am to 9:00 am

INTERNET FACILITY IS AVAILABLE IN ARKA MONDAY TO SATURDAY 9:00 AM TO 4:30 PM.



### Opening the Gateway to the Village

#### Program for June 2015

Auroville is an incubator that enables the development of village crafts, artists and artisans.

In the community around Auroville in the villages of Kottakarai, Alankuppam and Sanjeevinagar there are many small-scale Handicraft products for Auroville and for the world. It means there is an imaginative design with respect for a quality finishing.

Mohanam invites you to join us in below program.

#### Village Tour

Saturday 06/06/15, Sunday 07/06/15, Sunday 14/06/15, Sunday 21/06/15, Sunday 28/06/15

Meeting Point is the Lively Boutique, Kottakarai plaza at 9.30 am (please bring your bike)

Come and enjoy the authentic village experience and celebrate cultural heritage!

Contribution requested from Aurovillian, Guests & Volunteers.

#### Local Cooking Class

Saturday 06/06/15, Saturday 13/06/15, Saturday 20/06/15, Saturday 27/06/15

Learn to make these delicious local dishes and learn how to make flower drawings.

Meeting Point is the Lively Boutique, Kottakarai plaza at 9.30 am (please bring your bike) we will finish around 1:00 pm.

Contribution requested from Aurovillian, Guests & Volunteers.

Please register for all the programs in advance by contacting 0413 2623806 or [Mohanamprogram@gmail.com](mailto:Mohanamprogram@gmail.com).

Please visit: [www.mohanam.org](http://www.mohanam.org) or [www.harmonyvillagepromenade.weebly.com](http://www.harmonyvillagepromenade.weebly.com)

#### Craft Training

##### Marbling & Lampshade Training

Marbling is a method of creative painting with surface design, which can produce patterns similar to smooth [marble](#). The patterns are the result of color floated on either plain water or a viscous solution known as [size](#), and then carefully transferred to an absorbent surface, such as [paper](#) or fabric.

Timing: Every Thursday Month of June from 02.00 pm to 04.30 pm

Contribution: Minimum Rs.500 Requested (come and learn take one lampshade with you)

#### Pottery ceramic Training

In [art history](#), ceramics and ceramic art mean [art objects](#) such as figures, [tiles](#), and tableware made from clay and other raw materials by the process of [pottery](#).

Timing: Every Wednesday Month of June from 02.00 pm to 04.30 pm

Contribution: Minimum Rs.350 Requested (come and learn take one tea cup with you)

Please register all the program in advance by contacting: 0413 - 2623806. [mohanamprogram@gmail.com](mailto:mohanamprogram@gmail.com)

#### Kottakarai plaza tour&Village Artisans and Crafts visit

We will take you into the community to show how the products are made and introduce you to the artisans.

Timing: Every Thursday Month of June from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm

Place: Meet 9.30 am at Lively Boutique opposite Ganesh Bakery Kottakarai.

Booking: Not required but please phone if you wish on 0413-2623 806

For group request, date can be flexible (Expect Sunday)

Contribution: Minimum Rs.350 Requested (Including Lunch and small craft gift)

#### Bio Region Tour June 2015

Date: Every Saturday, June 2015

Time: 12pm till 6.30pm

Meeting point: 11.45am at Lively Boutique, Kottakarai Plaza

- Begin in Munnur
- Enjoy lunch at a village home
- Discover the village of Munnur with its church and ancient temple
- Visit a traditional family of potters who will demonstrate their craft
- Finish the day climbing the rocks to Perumukkal's 12th-Century temple for tea and an opportunity to meditate while the sun set over the magnificent Kaluvelli landscape.

Please contact us on 0413 2623806 or at [mohanamprogram@gmail.com](mailto:mohanamprogram@gmail.com)

Tour will only take place once a minimum of 10 bookings have been received.

We aim to run this tour every Saturday, depending on the number of bookings.

Contribution amount is confirmed on enquiry.

Transportation will be arranged according to the number of people.



## "The Eco Film Club

Sadhana Forest, June 12, Friday at 7pm

### BEING AND BECOMING

2014, Directed by Clara Bellar

Being and Becoming explores the concept and ultimately the choice of not schooling children, but of trusting and letting them learn freely what they are truly passionate about. The filmmaker's journey of discovery takes us through the US, Germany (where it's illegal not to go to school), France and the UK. This film is a quest for truth about the innate desire to learn.

Before the movie at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work!

After the film you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!!

Schedule of Events:

16:00 free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour

16:40 Tour of Sadhana Forest

18:00 free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco FilmClub

18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

20:00 Dinner is served

21:30 free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 2677682 or 2677683 or [sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in](mailto:sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in).



## Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program 1 June 2015 to 7 June 2015

### Indian - Monday 8 June, 8:00 pm:

- **CHANDER PAHAR (Mountain of the Moon)**

India, 2013, Dir. Kamaleshwar Mukherjee w/ Dev, Gerad Rudolf, Martin Cito Otto, and others, Adventure-Fantasy, 148mins, Bengali-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)  
The film is based on a famous novel by Bibhutibhusan Bandyopadhyay by the same name published in 1937. It is a story of a fabled journey. In one hand it is an adventure in search of gold and diamond mines, against threats as vivid and varied as lurking snakes, pouncing lions, poisonous flora, the fury of a volcano and a supernatural mythical horror 'The Bunyip' the guardian angel of the diamond cave. However it is also the story of grit and determination, a story of following one's dream against all odds and emerging victorious. Set in 1909, in this tale a young lad Shankar, driven by his sense of adventure and wanderlust and nudged by the prospect of an impoverished life in rural Bengal, sails off to Africa. *It is a brave move to make a film based on such an iconic story which continues to inspire and fan the wanderlust of generations of teens in Bengal.*

### Italian - Tuesday 9 June, 8:00 pm:

- **IL CAIMANO (The Crocodile)**

Italy, 2006, Dir. Nanni Moretti w/ Silvio Orlando, Margherita Buy, Michele Placido, and others, Comedy-Drama, 112mins, Italian w/ English subtitles, Rated: G  
Bruno is a producer of B-movies, he is stubborn and a dreamer. One night he receives a screenplay from a girl during a film festival. This girl at all costs wants to make this film about Berlusconi. Bruno, decides to sell the idea for a feature film and starts assembling a production team to work on it. What starts as a product of love, ends up in being a disastrous production, where everything seems to fall apart. The film is about a family and a dream in the Berlusconi era.

### Interesting- Wednesday 10 June, 8:00 pm:

- **CHIHULY SHORT CUTS**

USA, 2004, Dir. Peter West w/ Dale Chihuly, and others, Documentary, 90mins, English, Rated: NR  
Dale Chihuly has spent his entire life on the move, seeking out innovation and inspiration. This compilation documents a decade of this personal odyssey. There are 14 short films forming an intimate guide through some of his well-known work that will surprise even the most avid follower. From his hot shop in Seattle and others in Finland, Ireland, Mexico, France, Murano, and Hebron, to exhibitions and installations in London, Chicago, and his home in Washington, Chihuly's passionate mission to explore and push the boundaries of glass never falters. *You cannot miss witnessing sheer magic being created from glass!*

### Nordic - Thursday 11 June, 8:00 pm:

- **MIFFO**

Sweden, 2003, Dir. Daniel Lind Lagerlöf w/ Jonas Karlsson, Livia Millhagen & Ingvar Hirdwall, Comedy-Drama, 105mins, Swedish w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR.

A young idealistic protestant priest falls in love with a young, beautiful woman. There's only one problem: She is handicapped. Everyone and everything is against their relationship. What has destiny in store for them?

### International - Saturday 13 June, 8:00 pm:

- **THE DARK KNIGHT RISES**

USA, 2012, Dir. Christopher Nolan, w/ Christian Bale, Gary Oldman, Action-Thriller, English w/ English subtitles, 165mins, Rated: R

Eight years after the Joker's reign of anarchy, the Dark Knight is forced to return from his imposed exile to save Gotham City from the brutal guerrilla terrorist Bane with the help of the enigmatic Cat-woman.

### Children's Film - Sunday 14 June, 4:30pm

#### MONSTERS, INC.

USA, 2001, Write-Dir. Pete Docter and David Silverman w/ Billy Crystal, John Goodman, and others, 92mins, Animation-Adventure, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: G  
Monsters generate their city's power by scaring children, but they are terribly afraid themselves of being contaminated by children, so when one enters...

### BILLY WILDER Film Festival @ CINECLUB

#### Ciné-Club - Sunday 14 June, 8:00 pm:

- **THE APARTMENT**

USA, 1957, Dir. Billy Wilder w/ Jack Lemmon, Shirley MacLaine, and others, Drama-Comedy, 125mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: G

One of the finest examples of smart, satiric comedy-drama ever created for the screen. Jack Lemmon plays a working stiff in Corporate America — via New York City — whose bachelor apartment inadvertently becomes a love-nest for amorous, married executives. The film is extremely modern for 1960 and features a non-stop barrage of funny, clever talk.

Rating codes we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G=General Audiences, PG=Parental guidance suggested, PG-13=Parents strongly cautioned, R=Restricted (equivalent to Indian rating: A i.e. for Adults), NR=Film Not rated, Rating awaited, or Rating not available.

*Kindly do not bring food, drinks, snacks, munchies or your pets into the auditorium.*

*As a courtesy to the fellow viewers please be sweet and stop chatting after the film starts.*

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at [mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in).

*We appreciate your continued support: monthly or occasionally. You can also make a contribution to "Cinema Paradiso" account (#105106) at the Financial Service.*

Thanking You, MMC/CP Group Account# 105106,  
[mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in)

## SOME ESSENTIAL SERVICES

**Auroville Ambulance:** 9442224680

**Auroville Library, Crown Road:** opening hours - 9:00 to 12:30 and 14:00 to 16:30 from Monday to Saturday

**AvHC:** The Pharmacy is open 8.30 to 5 pm daily including Saturdays. The doctor's consultation is the same, except Saturday up to 1pm only.

**City Transport:** Quick "Pick up and Drop" Shuttle Service in Maruti Omni 4-seater van, with per passenger fares, from Rs.80/- for 1 person single trip inside the city area, destinations up to Aspiration/Auromodele and Repos/Quiet. Phone Visitors Centre main gate 262-2611 or to the driver directly 94876-50951 daily 9.30am-6.00pm (summer season - no longer available evenings). Please note that it is not a taxi that will wait for you for onward or return trips, but if needed will come back to pick you up again when called.

**Crisis Intervention:** Call Christian 763 949 3183 (Service offered until 1 March 2015)

**Day/Night Guard:** Auroville Security: Please call Ramesh.V at 9443090107/9443362691 in case of emergency or if you need an escort (for people with bikes/cycles only) or assistance. You can also contact us at [avsecurity@auroville.org.in](mailto:avsecurity@auroville.org.in)

**Auroville Dental Centre:** Protection / Telephone: (0143) 2622265 or 2622007 / email: [aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in)

**Eco Service, Kottakarai:** Jayamurthy - 904 701 5812 / Gillian - 9442067481, email: [ecoservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:ecoservice@auroville.org.in) / Auralice - 763-965-5954

**Entry Service, Multimedia Center:** 1st floor, Town hall Complex: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: 10.00am to 12.00pm for enquiries/applications. Thursdays: 2:00 to 3:30pm. B Form filling for newly resident Aurovilians and youth turning 18.

**Financial Service, Town Hall and Aspiration:** Mon to Sat, 9 to 12.30 and 3 to 4.30pm

**Free Store:** Monday to Friday: 9:00 to 12:30 pm. Tuesday and Thursday: 2:30 to 4:30 pm

**Free Store Tailoring Service:** Repair work will be received only from 1st to 15th of every month. Timings will be same as Free Store.

**Auroville Gas Service, Service Area:** Near Tele Service" and BSNL Telephone Exchange. Monday to Saturday: 9 to 1 and 2 to 4 pm

**Green Care:** Tree care, pruning, rigging, removal of trees, and or branches over structures. Garden maintenance grass and hedge cutting. Call: Jonas 9159843579 or Anadi 9655477329.

**Guest Service Solar Kitchen:** 1st floor. Open every morning (including Sunday) from 9.30 to 12.30. Afternoon from 1pm to 4pm (except Sunday)

**Housing Service, Town Hall:** Public hours are Monday & Friday 2:30 to 4:30pm, and Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 9:00 to 11:30am. No public hours on Wednesday.

**Integral Health:** Classical homeopathy, hypnotherapy, midwifery, counselling, Shiatsu, energy work / [integralhealth@auroville.org.in](mailto:integralhealth@auroville.org.in) - 2623669 / Mon-Sat 9 am - 5 pm, preferably on appointment.

**Kailash Clinic, Kailash:** Call 2622803 for an appointment during morning hours from 8.30am to 12.30pm

**LOE, Lab. Of Evolution, Bharat Nivas:** Mon to Sat 9am-12 noon

**Matrimandir:** The Inner Chamber is open for Aurovilians daily 06.00am to 08.45am. 11.30 am to 12.30pm (02.00 pm on Sunday) 04.30 pm to 08.00pm

Please keep the Chamber neat and tidy. Straighten your mat and put back all extra cushions neatly by the door. Please refrain from rearranging the cushions which are laid out for you.

**To bring family members and personal friends** please book by calling 2622579 from 9.30 to 11.30 am any day except Tuesday.

Be at the office gate of Matrimandir by 8.45am on the day of the visit. Please remain with your guests throughout the visit.

**Matrimandir is closed to visitors on Tuesday.**

Aurovilians wanting to bring their children to the Matrimandir are recommended to do so on Tuesdays between 9 am and 11.15am.

**Music library, Town Hall:** Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat from 9 to 12.30 and Tues, Thurs, Sat from 2 to 5:30pm.

**Nandini Tailor section: (Auroshilpam):** tel: 2622527

Open to public on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday full day: from 9am to 12.30pm and 3pm to 5pm

No new order taken last week of the month. Don't forget to bring your bag

**Nandini Distribution : ( ptdc , solar kitchen) tel :** 2622033

Open to public from Tuesday to Saturday morning from 9am to 12.30pm and Tuesday, Thursday afternoon 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Don't forget to bring your bag

**OutreachMedia Services:** The services provided by OutreachMedia include: dealing with all media that come to Auroville for filming, writing, photographing - reporters, journalist and writers. 2622-098 or 9443602194 or 9952463904

Multi-Media Centre. Office hours: Monday-Friday: 9.30am to 12.30pm. Afternoons and Saturdays by appointment.

**Puncture service, service area:** next to gas bottle service, opposite road service; Monday to Saturday 9am to 4 30pm; phone 2622741, cell 9442891235.

**Auroville Residents Service timings:** Please note that the Auroville Residents Service office will be open from Monday to Friday morning's from 9:00 am to 12.00 pm and afternoon Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 4:30.

Thank you, Residents Service Team

**Savi: Services for Volunteers and Hosting Units/Services of Auroville**

We are a link between Auroville Projects and long-term Volunteers (minimum 2 months).

We offer welcome informations, placements opportunities, support with visa procedure and follow-up throughout the volunteers' stay.

Come and visit us at Unity Pavilion, Monday to Friday 10am-12pm. Phone: 0143-262-2121. Email: [study@auroville.org.in](mailto:study@auroville.org.in)

**Skyworks:** Tree pruning, removal of hazardous trees and branches over fragile structures, power line cleaning. SatYaaji 958 516 58 82

**Vehicle Service, Town Hall:** Monday - Friday : 09.00am - 12.30 pm, 02.00pm - 4.30pm. Saturday: 09.00am - 12.30pm

**Video library, Town Hall:** Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat from 10 am to 1 pm and Tues, Thurs, Sat from 3 to 6pm.

**Women's Helpline** - For women needing assistance after an incident of violence on Auroville roads. Please call 262 2425 (mornings) or email [avhs@auroville.org.in](mailto:avhs@auroville.org.in)

**Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions or cancellations: Wednesday 11 am)**

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