

News & Notes

10th October 2015.....A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville.....Number 618



HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

(Continuation of 'The Secret of the Veda')

Thus begins the quest for the "lost sun," the long "pilgrimage" of descent into the unconscious and the merciless fight against the dark forces, the "thieves of the sun," the panis and vritras, pythons and giants, hidden in the "dark lair" with the whole cohort of usurpers: the dualizers, the confiners, the tearers, the COVERERS. But the "divine worker," Agni, is helped by the gods, and in his quest he is led by the "intuitive ray," Sarama, the heavenly hound with the subtle sense of smell who sets Agni on the track of the "stolen herds" (strange, "shining" herds). Now and again there comes the sudden glimmer of a fugitive dawn... then all grows dim. One must advance step by step, "digging, digging," fighting every inch of the way against "the wolves" whose savage fury increases the nearer one draws to their den - Agni is a warrior. Agni grows through his difficulties, his flame burns more brilliantly with each blow from the Adversary; for, as the Rishis said, "Night and Day both suckled the divine Child"; they even said that Night and Day are the "two sisters, Immortal, with a common lover [the sun]... common they, though different their forms" (1. 113.2,3). These alternations of night and brightness accelerate until Day breaks at last and the "herds of Dawn" *** surge upward awakening "someone who was dead" (1. 113.8). "The infinite rock" of the unconscious is shattered, the seeker uncovers "the Sun dwelling in the darkness" (111.39.5), the divine consciousness in the heart of Matter.... In the very depths of Matter, that is to say, in the body, on earth, the Rishis found themselves cast up into Light - that same Light which others sought on the heights, without their bodies and without the earth, in ecstasy. And this is what the Rishis would call "the Great Passage." Without abandoning the earth they found "the vast dwelling place," that "dwelling place of the gods," Swar, the original Sun-world that Sri Aurobindo calls *the Supramental World*: "Human beings [the Rishis emphasize that they are indeed men] slaying the Coverer have crossed beyond both earth and heaven [matter and mind] and made the wide world their dwelling place" (1.36.8). They have entered "the True, the Right, the Vast," *Satyam, Ritam, Brihat*, the "unbroken light," the "fearless light," where there is no longer suffering nor falsehood nor death: it is immortality, amritam. [...]

All is reconciled. The Rishi is "the son of two mothers": son of Aditi, the luminous cow, Mother of infinite Light, creatrix of the worlds; and son as well of Diti, the black cow, Mother of "the tenebrous infinite" and divided existence - for when Diti at last reaches the end of her apparent Night, she gives us divine birth and the milk of heaven. All is fulfilled, The Rishi "sets flowing in one movement human strengths and things divine" (IX.70.3), he has realized the universal in the individual, become the Infinite in the finite: "Then shall thy humanity become as if the workings of these gods; it is as if the visible heaven of light were founded in thee" (V.66.2). Far from spurning the earth, he prays: "O Godhead, guard for us the Infinite and lavish the finite" (IV.2.1 1).

The voyage draws to its close. Agni has recovered its solar totality, its two concealed extremities. "The inviolable work" is fulfilled. For Agni is the place where high meets low - and in truth, there is no longer high nor low, but a single Sun everywhere: "O Flame, thou goest to the ocean of Heaven, towards the gods; thou makest to meet together the godheads of the planes, the waters that are in the realm of light above the sun and the waters that abide below" (111.22.3). "O Fire... O universal Godhead, thou art the navel-knot of the earths and their inhabitants; all men born thou controllest and supportest like a pillar" (1.59.1). "O Flame, thou foundest the mortal in a supreme immortality... thou createst divine bliss and human joy" (1.31.7). For the world's heart is Joy, Joy dwells in the depths of all things, "the well of honey covered by the rock" (11.24.4).

+++ Reminiscent of Homer and the "herds of Helios."

MOTHER'S AGENDA, 30 October 1961

SATPREM

*The
Ponder
Corner*

In the sincerity of our trust lies the certitude of our victory.

The Mother

ref. Words Of The Mother, vol 15, Progress And Perfection, p.89

REPORT RAINWATER HARVESTING & EROSION CONTROL

25 Sept-4 Oct. 2015

Nine Palms is one of the beautiful assets of Auroville's Greenbelt. The depth of the first aquifer is between 9 and 12 meter depending on the season. For long Claus wanted to make a pond at the entrance of Nine Palms as a lot of water went lost along the road. A small oval pond was made and new bunding keeps the overflowing water within the forest. Inside a small pond was cleaned out and upgraded. Next year we hope to clean out the big kolam in Nine Palms.

International Zone

A little history: Opposite the Visitor Centre, Road Service has been digging gravel soil in the past so there were several holes along the gully, which itself was silted in. These holes were easily filled with rainwater. Two ponds were made and in between the ponds was an electrical cable. Last year the cable was removed and it was decided to make one pond. When the barrier was dug out, it started to rain. As a maniveli clay layer is under the area the water percolates very slowly. Several times we wanted to clean the pond further out, but then it started to rain again. Though it still had some water and new rain came we finally managed to make one pond thanks to Road Service's excellent JCB operator. But it was too late to remove all the silt of the ponds - Another time.

Kireet

LAND BOARD REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015

Protection ,Encroachment, Exchange, Purchase, Mapping And Admin Issues Covered In September 2015

1. Call to All Auroville Activities, Construction sites, Contractors, Carpenters or Individuals in need of wood in small sizes

The Land Board is stocking and selling woods which are in its care. As most of the wood - mainly firewood has been lying since the cyclone 'Thane' almost 4 years ago we would like to sell more.

There is some Timber Quality (2nd or 3rd grade) wood still available and we make a last call to all Auroville activities, carpenters, units, constructions, contractors or individuals to have a look and select logs you could use for construction or wood work for smaller needs.

This wood is being put for a final sale at a 40% discount to market prices till 31 Dec 15.

We would like to pass this value to Auroville rather than have the wood degrade to firewood by constant exposure to the elements of nature.

Do contact us by email: landboard@auroville.org.in or call 2623699 to fix an appointment with Sandeep or Kannyappan

2. We thank one of the Auroville Trust for their donation of ₹19 lakhs for land purchases and ₹ 4 lakhs for land development. We have decided to plot Auroannam and

Gokulam and make them available for exchange with land owners in the city area. The plotting is to maximise the value of the land.

3. We have made a layout for Auroannam land with road access and internal roads; this is being shown to interested parties who would like exchange against land within the City area. This is a valuable piece of commercial property and we encourage all land owners in the City area to avail this chance of getting a piece of Auroannam in exchange.
4. Land Board has made contact with Registration office and brought to their attention the land fraud cases. Three members visited the offices at Tindivanam and Cuddalore to expedite action against frauds. As a result of this two notices have been received.
5. The fencing project in Bharatipuram namely Tamil Heritage Center, has been completed with a cement slab fence where the barbed wire fence existed. The completion of this fence was contested and Land Board members had to invest time and energy to get this done as Auroville land is now encroached by the village settlement. The next fencing undertaken is the land near Auroville Language lab area.
6. After visits to Auroville lands areas around the villages, we presented to TDC a map of vulnerable areas and requested that these plots are allocated for settlements as a priority as these lands are vulnerable to encroachment if they remain unoccupied and there is growing pressure of village boundaries.
7. We have made a new gate at Gokulam, strengthening the fence, and appointed a day guard to protect the land.
8. The Land Board would like to appeal to all Aurovilians to monitor the fences around their settlements, forest and farms to prevent encroachment and contact the green group and then land board if there are encroachments and land grabs.
9. We would like to thank Under Secretary Mr. Sinivasamurthy for funding the sound proofing of the meeting room which has significantly improved its acoustics and reduced our daily stress.
10. Purchase deals are in the pipeline and under process at the foundation office - we do hope we will be able to announce something by next month.
11. We would like to express our gratitude to Mona Doctor who has diligently helped Land Board in putting all its files in place and training our secretaries in proper filing, labelling and office admin, it is highly appreciated by us. Thank you Mona.
12. The wood sale for the month of September was ₹ 1,81,507/-

To all Aurovilians who would like to contribute to consolidating Auroville lands can send in their contributions to the Financial Service account no 0100.

Land Board (Divya, Gerard, Kannyappan, Prasad, Sandeep, Suhasini, Sukrit)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

L'avenir d'Auroville: 10th Oct 2015

The following Site and Building Applications (SA and BA) 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 d'Auroville / TDC issues an NOC (No Objection Certificate). This happens only once the feedback period is over, the feedback has been evaluated, a 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 the TDC.

Collective Project:

Site Application

1. Dehashakti Sports Complex

Proposed site location: BO 17/8A + 8B + 10A + 10B

Project holders: Michel, Rajeev Bhatt

Target group: Primarily for the students of Auroville schools and Aurovilians as well

Description: Permanent playing area with 2 storerooms and 2 toilets. Built up area: 100 sq.m. Playing area: 7,200 sq.m.

Building Application

1. Ricardo and Dhanasu, extension of an existing house in the New Dawn Carpentry site (Industrial Zone).

2. The Neem Tree

Proposed site location: IP 413/2 (Mahalaxmi Park corner behind the library)

Project holders: Min and Partha

Description: (temporary) low-cost eating place

3. Center Guest House staff quarters

Proposed site location: IR 220/1

Project holders: Center Guest House

Description: Residential staff quarters for 2 people.

Built up area: 115 sq.m.

TDC asks for feedback from the residents of Auroville within two weeks from the date of publication. If anyone wishes to have detailed information, feel free to contact TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville office: 2622-170 / 262-3568 or come personally to the Building Application section.

ABC Notice

Dear Trustees/Executives/Managers of commercial Trusts/Units/Activities.

The All ABC members e-mail list has been updated and I have sent a message to inform you about it.

If you have not received this message this means that your e-mail address may not be on the list.

In this case kindly inform me at: abcoffice@auroville.org.in

Thanks,

For ABC Ananda Coordinator

Housing Service - For Transfer

At luminosity

- One apartment: First floor - Living room, bed room, kitchen, toilet, Veranda, 78,36 SQM plinth. Suitable for Single

- Office space on the ground floor 78,32 SQM plinth

Best regards Housing Service

Aurocard - Request Feedback

Dear Community,

This request is for those who manage/run activities or services that need to process payments via Aurocard or have lost substantial donations that used to come when guests could sign blue sheets.

BCC would like to have an idea of how many activities: (1) would like to avail of the Aurocard reader in its present form and (2) for how many activities the present Aurocard readers do not serve the purpose but would rather have something different. Something like a wall mounted card reader which does not have to be operated by somebody, but at which the guests could swipe the card themselves and make contributions/donations of certain denominations on their own.

When writing kindly indicate if you are interested in (1) Aurocard Reader in its present form or (2) a wall-mounted Aurocard Reader - and if you are willing to contribute towards availing of such a unit. Please send your mail to: bccoffice@auroville.org.in

Thanking you, sincerely,

BCC

Membership in the WCom / AVC and Participation in the Selection Process

2nd extension of the call for the Nominations for Membership in the WCom / AVC and for Participation in the Selection Process (till Tuesday 13th October, 2015)

The Participatory Working Group System and the Selection Process works if we participate actively - - It is a Privilege and a Responsibility

We now have a functioning WCom, which needs 2 new full time members to continue their work. The AVC needs to be reinforced with 4 new full time members.

The two groups are working closely together and need the community support for their well functioning.

Please take your time to consider how you can participate and support this work:

- Suggest Aurovilians who have the needed skills and qualities or
- step forward to nominate yourself for the work positions, or
- simply participate in the Selection process

On Saturday 17th October, 2015, the final list of participants will be published and the feedback process will start.

Till now around:

- 150 names were proposed

- 29 confirmed (6 AVC and 4 WCom and 19 to participate in the selection process)

- 50 declined

- 70 nominations still to be confirmed

The Residents Assembly team will send reminders out to these nominees - Please reply

A temporary overview of all the names will be available on Auronet on Friday 9th October or in hardcopy at the office of the Residents Assembly Service.

Love, Inge for Residents Assembly Service, in collaboration with the Study Group

FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - N&N NO- 618 dated 10.10. 2015

We would like to inform the community that our team is happy to recommend the following persons as Aurovilians and Newcomers. We will wait for two weeks (Newcomers and Returning Aurovilians) and one month (Aurovilians), from the date of this publication, for your feedback, before confirming.

AUROVILIANS:

Theresa Laura GEHLER (German) - Living at Discipline, working as an assistant teacher at the Kindergarten and also working at LIVELY Natures Gift.

Irene BOUGUERRA (French) - Staying at Pitchandikulam, working as a graphic designer at Pitchandikulam.

Nicolas LAGARRIGUE (French) - Staying at Pitchandikulam, working as a botanist and cartographer at Pitchandikulam.

CHILD OF AN AUROVILIAN:

Nino LAGARRIGUE (French) - born on 24/08/2009, studying in the Kindergarten.

Sasha LAGARRIGUE (French) - born on 24/10/2012, studying in the Kindergarten.

N.B. 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 added Confirmation Section below:

CONFIRMATION OF RETURNING AUROVILIAN:

Mirani BADER (German)

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMER STATUS:

Natasha JAIN (Indian from Maharastra)

Paolo PASINI (Italian)

Xiaoqing (Maggie) LIU (Chinese)

Elena ALEXANDROV (Moldavian)

Shankar DHANASEKARAN (Indian from Pondicherry)

Marie Laure PASQUARELLI (French)

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMER TO AUROVILIAN STATUS

AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT IN N&N AND CONSIDERATION OF

FEEDBACK RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTS:

Felix Martin JANSSON (Swedish)

We will soon invite you to fill in the B-Form request for a meeting with the AV Foundation Secretary with the aim to add your name to the Register of Residents.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE LEFT AUROVILLE ON THEIR OWN:

Savithri (Maya) ELUMALAI (Indian from Alankuppam)

Eric PETITPIED (French)

Sabrina PRASSEDE (Italian)

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.

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 to do the internal office work.

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

O B I T U A R Y



Vinod

On Saturday October 3rd, our Aurovilian friend and brother Vinod (S. Vinod Kumar) left his body at 3.30pm in Nallam Clinic where he was taken the evening before after suddenly falling ill due to high blood sugar and pneumonia fever. He was 55 years old.

Vinod, who hails from Andhra Pradesh and lived here in Prayatna, joined Auroville in 1992. After working for some time in Pour Tous, he started organising a little stall in Kottakarai with organic fruits for which he would bicycle up and down in the area to obtain the best wares he could find.

Over the years, the stall grew out into the small but pucca HERS supermarket, located beside Ganesh Bakery - a multi-supply point for the area.

Vinod's remains were brought to the new Farewell centre just off Auroville's Crown Road for a last viewing by friends. As per his very specific request to be cremated in Auroville itself, his family conceded and, respecting his wish, his brothers and sisters were present during the cremation at Adventure's mandappam in the late afternoon of on Sunday October 4th. Along with Vinod's Aurovilian friends, they performed the last rites for their brother and were grateful to do this in the harmonious atmosphere and late-hour colouring of the day.

Thank you, Vinod, for having brought HERS into being. Our love and strength go out to his wife and three daughters (who are abroad), and other members of his family.

OM~

F O R Y O U R I N F O R M A T I O N

Auroville Planner 2016 is ready!



Dear Friends,
I am happy to announce that the Auroville Planner 2016 is ready to be sold and awaiting your orders.

Here you see the double cover of the Auroville

Planner 2016 - front and back, taken at an Auroville art exhibition.

We slightly increased the width of the Auroville Planner 2016 to 11.2 x 14.8 cm so that you can easily note down your appointments and have it handy in your pocket. The Auroville Planner 2016 has 174 pages (spine stitched and glued) and 12 double page color photos (printed in 4 colors on 90 gsm art paper).

These photos of 'Auroville life' were taken by Giorgio and Tine: The Marathon, Matrimandir bonfire, schools, art and exhibitions, sports, architecture and more.

The double photo page appears after each full month without breaking the weekly lay-out. Darshan days, holidays and full/new moon days are indicated. The front and back cover is printed in 4 colors on 300 gsm art card, laminated, with big flaps. At the end, extra pages are provided for notes and address/phone entries, as well as the 2016-year-planner in overview. The text is printed in light grey.

DTP work by Prisma, Auroville - Printed at Sudarsan Graphics, Chennai.

The price is Rs. 170, excluding packing and postage. Shops will add their commission to this price.

The entire profit of the Auroville Planner 2016 will be donated to an Auroville project.

We hope you enjoy your new Auroville Planner 2016 as always!

Looking forward to receiving your orders,

With best greetings from Auroville,

Tine, Aurogreen, Auroville 605 101, TN, India

Ph +91 413 290 96 19 and mobile +91 98 43 98 4181 / Email: tine@auroville.org.in

The Matrimandir Calendar 2016 is available!

Dear Friends,



This is the cover of the Matrimandir Calendar 2016. All photos are beautiful panorama photos. On the back of the Calendar you see the 12 calendar images with Mother's handwritten

'blessings'.

The 2016-Calendar has a cut out stand to enable you to see the photos and the calendar pages in one glance: The calendar pages and the spiral are lying flat on the desk, while the photos are leaning backwards against the sturdy stand, which is made of thick cardboard. The format is 21.5 cm x 14.7 cm - It means less weight and postage cost for air mailing!

The photographers were Giorgio and Tine, from Auroville.

Quotations from Sri Aurobindo's Savitri are on the photo page. On the calendar page, the months and days are printed in 4 languages: English, French, (spoken) Sankskrit, and Tamil. Darshan days and other important days as well as moon days (full/new) are indicated.

The calendar is printed in 4 colors on foreign art board, matt, thickness 250 GSM. It is spiral bound (white).

Each calendar is wrapped separately in a plastic cover.

The price is Rs. 150 excluding packing and postage. Shops will add their own commission to this price.

All proceeds from the sale of the calendar will be donated to the Matrimandir.

If you intend to order a larger quantity, please discuss with us a discount.

Kindly place your mailing orders soon so that the Calendars will reach you in time for the New Year.

DTP work by Prisma, Auroville, printed at Sudarsan Graphics, Chennai.

Distribution by Tine, Aurogreen, Auroville 605 101, TN, India
Email: tine@auroville.org.in / ph +91 413 290 96 19 / +91 9843 98 41 81

Youth Link update

Dear Community,

Youth Link has received some feedback - that there are some that feel that we are not inclusive/representative enough... and we were happy to hear this, as is the expected critique in our little community, because it gives us an opportunity to invite you all again!

Youth Link's Goals of Housing, Employment and Education have emerged partly through a community process of the Festival of Ideas and Auroville Retreat and partly through the active, regular youth attending our meetings. Now we have many new projects as the term 'youth' is growing in popularity, and they take shape according to those that are involved in their implementation. We are working with Village Youth Groups, we are working with Auroville's Working Groups/Services, with Volunteers, with the Retreat's Action Groups, we have representatives from many schools... and we are growing and we feel supported by the community.

If you feel under represented, join us!

Send us an email, give us a call, or just come by the office.

We have an open meeting every Friday 4:00-6:00 pm.

You can join as a Coordinator (full/part time), as a Core Group member (attending weekly meetings and active on some task), or as an Extended Member (joining on larger events, on the mailing list, can come in according to your preference), or as a Mentor (to offer to guide/teach us!).

You can either support an existing goal or project, or you can propose to initiate your own. If your proposal resonates with Auroville ideals and the members of Youth Link Core Group, then we are happy to include your idea and you will automatically become an active member of the team. Please feel invited and always welcome.

Kavitha & Vinay for the Youth Link Core Team
youth@auroville.org.in / Bharat Nivas - Auroville]

POSTINGS

Transformations barcode

My "Transformations barcode series" has returned from its trip to the Art Bengaluru event and is now resting quietly at Kalakendra.

This is an open invitation to artists... no, not just artists, but to anyone who is interested in incorporating the barcode as a prop / backdrop / accessory / visual in their own work.

I have been working recently with several collaborative themes in my ceramic works (like the recent 6x6 show in Australia), and this idea, of using the barcode panels in another person's work, is a step in a similar direction. Performers, dancers, visual artists, photographers, film makers, light &/or sound artists do come experience the barcode at Kalakendra / Bharat Nivas and connect with me if something clicks within. Looking

forward to future collaboration - Contact Adil:
adil@auroville.org.in / 04132622724 is home.

Change of salt in the Solar Kitchen

Since we can't procure anymore the original Himalayan Salt, we have switched to normal salt.

This change is valid from Thursday 08.10.2015

Solar Kitchen

Dance offering Cancelled

Dance Offering, on Thursdays in Verite, is cancelled for the next few weeks. See you again at the end of the month or a little later in case we have a full pouring monsoon. Look for new posts. :-) Dariya

AVAILABLE

Plant Sales at Matrimandir Nursery

A wide variety of plants, shrubs and some small trees are available at the Nursery.

Please visit *Gnanavel* or *Duraikanan* there, between 8:30 and 12 each morning (except Sundays).

One table top wet grinder

Two months old. If interested call @ 9003529670. *Subhadre (Titou)*.

German classes

From November 2015 onwards, *Hartmut* is giving German lessons for beginners and advanced - single students or groups are possible.

Please write to: vonlieres@gmx.de / phone-number will be available soon.

Indian Style Cycles

We just repaired our cycles and we would like to sell a couple of them as we have too many. They are in very good condition. If interested please contact us at 9442328120 or pass by Joy Community Guesthouse in Center Field. Thanks, *Joy Community team*.

A gardener Is looking for Work

Ellumalai is a reliable gardener from Edyanchavady village. He has been working in Auroville for over 20 years. As he cycles, the work area should be more central Auroville, not further than Certitude. You can contact him on 09150097560 or call me and if I can help, I will; *Dariya* 9786658967)

Kid's cycle

This kid's cycle is brand new, If you are interested mail me, *Matilde* matilde@auroville.org.in

Bike

Model: Hero passion Pro. Year: 2012. Insurance: up to 08.08.2016

Colour: Black. Contact: 9994654929 - *Raja Rajapriyan*

Furniture

2 Kalimardhu wood single beds with mattresses - the first one is 90 x 2 cm and the second is 90 x 92 cm with wheels to put it under the first one / 2 tables bed teak / 1 dining table with 6 chairs teak / 1 table desk teak - Contact *Victoria Perez - Arati* / ph. 2622913 / mb. 9488818074

Vegan Cheese

Dear Friends, our organic vegan Cheese, Hummus, Boursin and Chocolate Mousse will be available from from this Saturday (Oct. the 10th) onwards, at Food Link and Farm Fresh. Check the fridges! *Vegan Essence (Sharan)Team*

Dell 21.5 inch LED monitor

Open package Dell 21.5 inch LED monitor, purchased just 2 weeks ago. Great wide screen for most every day computing applications, movie watching, gaming and multimedia. I am selling it because not suitable for photo editing. *Edo* at: eddie.grassi@gmail.com, 9843893652

Individual Coaching Sessions

I am happy to offer individual coaching sessions for Aurovilians, Newcomers and Volunteers. Coaching is a wonderful tool to unlock your full potential, help you create new perspectives, find more balance and fulfilment in your life. I am training under CTI in Pro-Active- Coaching. Love and Light, *Jorinde* 9655024585

Samsung tablet

I have one Samsung tablet with mobile function, 2012. Please call for more info: 8098813189. *Allison Lu*

LOOKING FOR ...

Accommodation In Prague

A friend of mine who went to study in Prague in the beginning of September is stuck without accommodation. The accommodation she had organised fell through. Now, she is desperately looking for suitable accommodation. If anyone has friends in Prague who can accommodate my friend in the short or long term or even help her find accommodation it would be of great help. Thank You! Contact *Sasi*: 9159355809

A Motorcycle

Looking to purchase a motorcycle in good conditions. Tamil Nadu registration is preferred. If you are selling one or have any leads, please let me know: 9585071313 or email: jacky2395@yahoo.ca - *Jacky II*

Harmonium and/or Teacher

I am keen on learning the harmonium and not sure where or who to contact. Please reach out to me if you know where I could buy a harmonium and/or find a teacher. Thanks, *Jacky II*. 9585071313 or email: jacky2395@yahoo.ca

Baby sitter

Dear Friends, I am looking for a baby-sitter from 4 pm to 6 pm, preferably a man, for my 8 years old boy. If you are interested kindly contact me 9487544184 - *Sekfali*

LOST & FOUND

Cycle lamp (lost): I have lost Friday evening during the rain, under the second film festival tent, my rechargeable black silicon cycle lamp. It seems that someone put it from the ground on the table and then it disappeared :-(. I would be so happy to find it back! Phone: 9488084684 or 2622953. *Anne*

Toy (lost): Last week we lost our Teddy bear. If someone found it, please, help my daughter get her friend back. She misses him. My mob. N. 8098167492. *Olla*

Dark blue chapals (lost): Last Wednesday in the morning at the New Pour Tous someone by mistake took my chapals, I found there exactly the same dark blue plastic chapals but of a bigger size. I invite you to contact me so that we can exchange

again our chapals and be comfortable. You can join me at 965-585-7735. *Helene*.

Key of Scooty (lost): I have lost a bike's key (Scooty from TVS) with a light pink string made from cotton) during the film festival 2nd. I have been near stage for the opening performance. Then I have been staying at the food court. Please kindly inform me, if you found it. *No-eul* (80989 00364)

Missing Dog - Fido: Missing since 2nd October 6 pm from Prarthna - Last seen near Maitreye. Please check around your neighbourhood or ask your workers for clues. Male German Shepherd - Adult - Long hair - Dark brown with light brown legs. Black and red collar. Has a slight limp. Please contact *Bobby* / Prarthna: 9443223598 - 2623598 or 2623404

A P P E A L

These puppies need your help!



Dear Friends and Fellow Beings,
Every year during the monsoon many of the animals at Integrated Animal Care Centre get ill and die because of cold and lack of dry covered spaces.

We are trying with a zero budget to build some cover and help those creatures to survive the hard weather conditions that will come in a few weeks.

The idea is to build domes with PVC pipes (or bamboo sticks), metal net covered with ferro-cement (or cloth bags with cement). The construction process is very interesting, and this kind of structure can be used also for many other purposes, e.g. as demountable semi-permanent structure for plants, chicken, etc. This could be an opportunity for you to experiment with those easy-to-build structures to adapt them later to other purposes.

<http://www.ziptiedomes.com/>



We would be grateful if you could provide some of the following (or help us with funds):

- Hard PVC pipes of different sizes (specially thin ones) or bamboo sticks (thin ones)
- Metal net or thick hemp bags

- Cement or ferro-cement
- Several metal sticks of 1 - 2 m length
- Some help to build them is also more than welcome :-)

You can contact Integrated Animal Care: integrated_animal_care@yahoo.co.in or me, Sergio: sergio@auroville.org.in / mobile: 9786400597

For Kshetra Auroville Kalari

Dear friends,

At last we are able to have a proper place in Aspiration Sportsground after 20 years of Kalaripayat classes, given first by Kalyani then Shaji, Bosco, Rajesh, and now for the last decade by Maneesh and Vadivel. To be able to complete the work of the floor and surroundings we need Rs 20,000. With your help, we hope to inaugurate our Kalari on Saraswati Puja.

Many thanks, *Kalyani, Maneesh and Vadivel.*

Our PT Account is: Kshetra Auroville Kalari #252395

Fundraising Community Hall Edayanchavadi

Fellow Aurovilians!

Much-appreciated donations have been received for the Community Hall near the water tank in Edayanchavadi, and one lorry of bricks has already been bought.

To participate in the development of the region and to show our good will in helping neighboring villages, the TDC beseeches the Auroville community and friends to help collect another Rs. 50,000 that can be donated in cash (AV account transfer) or kind (materials: brick, cement, sand and blue metal).

Please join us in this communitarian project, every grain of sand counts!

For more information, please contact the TDC office at: avenir@auroville.org.in or 2622-170.

For donations:

-In cash: Account number 252167 - L'avenir Bioregion Help

-In kind: please contact us.

Thank you for your attention and participation.

L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC

A C C O M M O D A T I O N S A V A I L A B L E A N D N E E D E D

House sitting1

We are two volunteers from the "Weltwärts" group, *Elisa and Hannah* and we are looking for a nice place to stay for several months - with two bedrooms. We are working in Deepam and prefer to live in or around Kuilapalayam. Contact: 7639318707 / hannah-schuppert@gmx.de

House sitting2

We are Catha and Lucie, two German long-term volunteers, looking for a place to stay in the next few months. Of course

we would be happy to take care of the house, garden and any animals. Please contact us: 7639318770 or cathalacht@hotmail.de - Thank you

House sitter

Dear house sitters,

A house is looking for house sitters, full November. It's for a couple or single. There are 2 cats and a small garden. Please contact *Veronique J* 948 85 12 678 or 26 22 638. Thank you

T A X I S H A R I N G

October 8th: Leaving Auroville around 1:30 pm to the airport on 8th October, Thursday. Only 1 person going. Suitable for sharing both ways. There is some slight time flexibility possible while going from Auroville. Thanks, *Lalit* - lalit@auroville.org.in, 9443790172

October 9th: I am looking for somebody to share a taxi leaving on October 9th at 5.45 am from Auroville to Chennai airport. Contact *Ann* at: 9443790661

October 13th: Leaving airport around 5:30 pm to Auroville on 13th October, Tuesday. Only 1 person coming back. Suitable for sharing both ways. Thanks. *Lalit* - lalit@auroville.org.in, 9443790172

October 14th: A taxi going to Chennai airport from Av to be there at 18.00 and coming back to Av. For sharing it both ways, please call : 2622693 or avmatri@gmail.com. *Matriprasad*

October 14th/15th: I would like to share a taxi, on the night between Oct 14th and Oct 15th. Arriving with LH, from Germany, around midnight - Please contact *Yanoookaa* at: yanooyaa@gmail.com

October 18th: Leaving from Auroville at 1.30 am to Chennai Airport. Taxi can be shared both ways, only 1 person is going. *Ingrid*: 9443843976 or ingridt@auroville.org.in

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer for Asset Centre

The Asset Centre team is looking for part or full time volunteers, who can assist with making a few science practical project for primary, secondary and high school level kids. It would be a fun project as we are dealing with the practical part of what they are studying in theory. Everyone can join as science background is not mandatory.

Contact: Anbu/Vikrant, Ness Campus, E-mail us assetcentre@gmail.com or ph. 9940072682

AUROVILLE RADIO



Hi, everyone of our listeners,

Auroville has been buzzing with lots of activity for the past few days.

The Governing Board, the International Advisory council & Working Committee had their meetings, and while Dr. Karan Singh, Member of Parliament and the Chairman of the Auroville Foundation was here in that connection, there had been a flurry of stone layings and inaugurations of various projects viz. the Auroville Archives and Assisted Living Home buildings, Educational and Research Network of Auroville etc. While he was here, we have sought help from the GB Chairman and the WC and AVF in the process for establishing the community FM radio for Auroville.

The 4th Auroville Film Festival in progress, with screenings right through the day at the various venues, some of them preceded/followed by interaction/discussions, roundtables, interviews with the director/other associates of the film and with the audience.

And, as is expected, we have covered almost all these functions and have already published some of those programs; more are in process and shall be done shortly. You are all welcome to tune-in to get a feel of the proceedings.

We are grateful for the work of our new volunteers, Samira and Jane who have joined us at the correct time when the Radio team was scrambling to reach out and cover the multiple events that are playing out almost simultaneously! We welcome them with all our heart. All of you there, please keep listening to Auroville Radio and keep sending in your valuable comments and suggestions.

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.

Emergence Trio at AVFF 2015 (Music 05/10/2015)

Emergence Trio: Mishko M'Ba Krishna McKenzie Soundar Rajan
October 4th 6 PM Townhall. Auroville Film Festival 2015 -
[Music, 59 Minutes]

Art, Auroville and Storytelling (Culture 05/10/2015)

Suresh Jairam (of the AvfilmFest panel) shares his experience as an artist, teacher, curator and an art incubator -[English, 21 Minutes]

Savitri - Book VII, Canto VII (Sri Aurobindo 05/10/2015)

Savitri attains Cosmic Consciousness and is one with God and all things and beings. She rises above time and space. -
[English, 26 Minutes]

R.I.P. Vinod, AVFF15, Singing (News from Auroville 05/10/2015)

Community bid farewell to dear brother and friend Vinod, who has started HERS decades ago. -[English, 10 Minutes]

AVFF and Magnetic Fields (Music 05/10/2015)

Day 2 of Auroville Film Festival 2015 was full of screenings, delicious food and a live performance by Magnetic Fields -
[English, 24 Minutes]

Inauguration of the Archives site (Architecture 04/10/2015)

Dr.Karan Singh inaugurated the new site for the archives together with Aurovilians -[English, 9 Minutes]

Assisted Living Home for Seniors (Healing 03/10/2015)

Dr.Karan Singh performed the Bhoomi Puja for Assisted Living Home for Seniors in Arka, Auroville. -[English, 35 Minutes]

Contributing to Human Unity AVFF (Multimedia 03/10/2015)

AT AVFF15 every day from 2.30 to 3. -[English, 58 Minutes]

Victor volontaire d'UnLtd (Social Development 03/10/2015)

UnLtd Tamil Nadu est une plateforme de lancement et d'accompagnement d'entreprises sociales -[French, 23 Minutes]

A moment with Philippe Borrel (Cinema 03/10/2015)

Philippe Borrel is a French documentary movie director who is coming for the Auroville Film Festival -[English, 10 Minutes]

Off the Cuff-46 (Performing Arts 03/10/2015)

OTC's random topics of the day: Gandhi Jayanti, Auroville Film festival, Pour Tous Water, Fraternal Economy and more -
[English, 17 Minutes]

Auroville Film Festival 2015 (Multimedia 02/10/2015)

AVFF15 official opening at Town Hall Piazza -[English, 62 Minutes]

Selections par Gangalakshmi-57 (The Path 02/10/2015)

Selections par Gangalakshmi; Le Cycle Humain- Chapitre La N cessit  de la Transformation Spirituelle -[French, 20 Minutes]

AVFF15 Community Event, GB&IAC (News from Auroville 01/10/2015)

Tom shares with us some insights on the organization of the Auroville Film Festival 2015 which starts tomorrow at 5pm. -
[English, 20 Minutes]

Pan African Mix#3 MAMA2015 (Music 30/09/2015)

Featuring MAMA award receivers for 2015 - Mama Evolution went to D'Banj, best video Nafukwa, best song Dorbucci -
[English, 69 Minutes]

Questions & Answers, 3-8-1955 (Integral Yoga 30/09/2015)

Mother speaks on the soul, spiritual power, occultism, and on magical rites, ambition for power, hypnotism. -[English, 23 Minutes]

Auroville Community Network (Infrastructure 30/09/2015)

The educational research network of Auroville is being set up with 15km of Optical Fibre Cable to 17 building clusters -
[English, 84 Minutes]

Millidacious with Soul (Performing Arts 29/09/2015)

Musical Millidacious is out! Amazing production-from the story, music, actors, props; -[English, 129 Minutes]

Pesto with Pierre (29/09/2015)

Pierre from Buddha Garden tells us some essential things about organic food and his delicious pesto -[English, 11 Minutes]

You can listen to all of the programs and more on

www.aurovillerradio.org. For more info call 0413-2623331 or email radio@auroville.org.in

SPORTS



Auroville Kabbadi Club won 3rd prize!

Dear Community members,

We are very happy to announce that Auroville Kabbadi Club have won the 3rd prize in Puducherry State Championship Kabbadi tournament held on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th of October, 2015 at Indra Gandhi Stadium, Puducherry.

47 male teams and 8 female teams were participating in the tournament from Puducherry state.

We appreciate the love and support of those who facilitated us throughout the event.

Thank you, Auroville Kabbadi Club,

TRAVEL

Latest News from the Travel Shop - located at Inside India in Auroshilpam.

We are open from 09:00 to 13:00 and from 13:30 to 17:00

Latest Airline Offers:

Srilankan Airlines - India to Europe, 15% Off-peak-season discount campaign

Oman Air - Spectacular offers to Europe

Jet Airways - Super Sale - up to 30% off on international flights

Ethihad Airways - Experience some of the finest destinations (Naples, Nice, Venice and Vienna) with them on Business and Economy

Malindo Air - Smart fares from Trichy to Kuala Lumpur, Perth, Singapore & Penang and others starting from Rs 12,000 only

Air Asia - Amazing festivals fares within India

Hotels: International and Domestic Hotel bookings can be done at discounted rates through us.

International Flight Tickets / International Hotel booking - 0413 2622078, travelshop@auroville.org.in / Domestic Flight Tickets / Trains / Bus / Travel Insurance - 0413 - 2622604 / 2623030, domestic@inside-india.com, doulat@inside-india.com / Tours and Domestic Hotel booking - 0413 - 2622047, insideindia@auroville.org.in

GREEN MATTERS



Climate Change Conference /COP 21 in Paris II

The previous Green Column introduced COP 21, the upcoming Climate Change Conference to be held in Paris, in which India will be among 192 participating countries.

During previous negotiations, the countries agreed to outline actions they would take as part of an international climate agreement by March 2015. These commitments are known as Intended Determined Contributions or INDCs. Though the deadline was long past and China, the USA and many other countries had already published their commitments, India did so only last week on Oct 2nd (Mahatma Gandhi's anniversary).

India's Climate Plans aim to source 40 per cent of its energy needs from non-fossil fuel sources by 2030. It said it would cut emissions intensity of its GDP by 33-50 per cent by 2030 (from 2005 levels). The Government has ruled out pledging absolute reduction in GHG emissions, in contrast to the other largest emitters, China and the USA, who have announced peak years for their emissions. India would have to spend around \$ 206 billion between 2015 and 2030 for implementing adaptation actions in agriculture, forestry, fisheries infrastructure, water resources and ecosystems. India's climate actions have so far been largely financed from domestic resources. A substantial scaling up of the Climate Action Plan would require at least \$ 2.5 trillion between now and 2030. World leaders, meeting India's Prime minister Mr Modi recently called for a Climate Change agenda that helps developing countries with access to finance and technology.

Mr Modi, speaking in a United Nations meeting in New York two weeks back, expressed that negotiations would have to be based on the idea of "climate justice" rather than "climate action". He said that India should place more emphasis on adapting to the effects of climate change. He mentioned climate-friendly initiatives planned for the next seven years, such as renewable energy projects that will produce a total of

175 Giga watts of electricity, and initiatives to clean rivers and cities.

Environmental Minister, Prakash Javadekar, said that developed nations should take the lead in providing climate finance to developing countries, thereby aiding their transition to a low-carbon economy and at a recent nation-wide climate conference in Mumbai, the overwhelming consensus among participants was that India should not commit to any climate mitigating targets, but should follow a low-carbon path for its own development imperatives.

These stated intentions contrast with the recent decision of the Central Government to approve forty new Super Megawatt Coal-Fired Power Plants, situated along India's already gravely threatened coasts. Over the last 2 years many coal and mineral blocks were given the green light for exploration and mining. These will often displace tribal communities and wild life.

It remains to be seen what the outcomes of the hard negotiations between the 192 governments plus the EU together with businesses, oil giants, industry - and environmental lobbies - will be after the Paris Conference. But there is little doubt that Climate Action needs to be initiated on a grand scale globally.

2015 is on track to be the hottest year in recorded history and this December hundreds of world governments will meet in Paris to strike a global, binding Climate Agreement. It will be the largest gathering of its kind since 2009. Renewable energy is becoming a revolutionary economic force that could power a just transition away from fossil fuels.

Lisbeth for the Green Center.

Sources :

UNEP Climate Action

UN Framework Convention for Climate Change (UNFCCC)

IPCC 5 th Annual report

350.org

The Green Column appears bi-weekly in the N & N and is published on Auronet. We are open to receive news from within Auroville and the Bioregion, India and elsewhere. So if you have anything to share please do let us know via avgreencenter@auroville.org.in

Notes

Bonfire in Matrimandir Amphitheatre

The bonfire was organized in the Amphitheatre to mark the occasion of Sri Aurobindo's birthday on 15.08.2015. It was followed by the Mother's recorded speech and the recital of the mantra 'Om namo bhagavate Sri Aravindaya'. I asked my friend "What is bonfire?" He said "It is a goodfire; that is all". I am not satisfied with his answer. How could we understand the true significance of bonfire?

Fire is called Agni in Sanskrit. Sri Aurobindo describes the characteristic features of Agni as held by the Vedic Rishis as follows: Agni is a god like any other god created by the Supreme. He is in possession of the Truth-Consciousness, Satyam-Ritam-Brihat, which is the Vedic formula for the Supermind, Divine Gnosis. Ritam means Right - Agni's action which proceeds from the Universal is always Right. As He is present in all things, He can govern the action of all. The Right action of Agni will lead one to happiness and immortality.

The Vedic Rishis were disgusted with the limited truth of mind derived from the imperfect working of the intellect, the sense-mind and the senses. The action of the imperfect mental truth is Anritam, not Right, full of falsehood and error, leading one to unhappiness and mortality. Thus the Vedic Rishis aspired to get the Truth - Consciousness from Agni and to apply it in place of the mental truth. Instead of living in the outer-self they practiced living in the inner-being, subliminal-self. They were aware of the inner instruments such as inner seeing (dhristi), inner hearing (sruti), etc., which are capable of reaching things, beings, ideas and forces not only in the physical world but also in other worlds of the Universe. The impressions of working of these inner instruments are used by other faculties of the subliminal being such as intuition, inspiration and revelation to recognize the Truth precisely.

The Rishis installed the form of Agni in their mind and practiced psychological adoration, submission and surrender to Him accompanied by constant repetition of a mantra. This step helped them to attain the needed psychological states of consciousness in the course of their ascent to the Truth-Consciousness, followed by its descent into their being. 'Om namo bhagavate' is a common mantra used to meditate on Agni. The first word represents invocation to Agni; the second word represents submission and surrender to Him. The third word represents the result of the action of Agni i.e. Divine, the manifestation of the Truth-Consciousness. The Rishis followed this discipline day and night, constantly and continuously and succeeded in possessing the Truth-consciousness. But they had to face a stiff resistance from the mind in the outer-self. They struggled hard to get its collaboration to see the working of the Truth-Consciousness in themselves.

'Om namo bhagavate' is the Mother's mantra which she used to bring down the Truth-Consciousness into her body in order to transform it. Once she attended a film show 'Dhuruva' in the Ashram Playground (1) - There was a forest scene. This mantra was recited for a long time throughout the forest scene. The Mother was in contact with the Truth-Consciousness which entered into her body. She experienced that all the cells of her body coagulated into one mass and the whole life of the mass of cells vibrated. Her body became stiff and continued to remain so for a longtime.

Let us try to emulate the practice of meditation on Agni by the Vedic Rishis during the bonfire in the Amphitheatre. The Mother's experience during the recitation of 'Om namo bhagavate' will certainly be helpful in our ascent upward to the Truth-Consciousness and its descent into our being.

Ref: Mother's Agenda 1951-1960, Vol. 1, p. 161 / The Secret Of The Veda ,Agni and the Truth, Chapter VI
Somasundaram A

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music
Every Thursday at sunset

We follow the sun and the advance in the season

New timing from Thursday 24th: from 5.30 to 6.00 pm (weather permitting)



Enjoy the beautiful open space, an immense sunset, heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

Reminder to all: The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such. We request everyone: please do not to use cameras, i-pads, cell phones, etc.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you - No photos there.

Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.15 to 6.00 pm.

Please be seated by 5.25 pm

Amphitheatre Team

Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research (SACAR), Puducherry

Organises

"Living Within" Study Camp number 9"
November 2015 (20th to 22nd)

Yoga as Practical Psychology

Time: 9.00 am to 5.30 pm everyday

For Registration please contact: sacarstudycamps@gmail.com / 9443019172, 9994190403

Camp fees: For Residents at SACAR Guest House: Rs. 2700 (Including stay and food)

For Non-Residents: Rs. 1500 (Lunch and tea included)

Venue: SACAR, 39 Vanniar Street, Vaithikuppam, Puducherry, 12

Landmarks: Masimagham Road, Mother's Guest House

Submitted by Tine (Aurogreen)

Invitation from Tamil Heritage Centre

All are invited to participate in the Celebration of Evolution and enjoy the Doll-show. Artists are welcome to perform their best as an offering to the Gods and Goddesses.

A festive time to express our gratitude.

Venue: Ilaignarkal Education Centre, Auroville

Time: Everyday 10 a.m. to 12 noon & 3.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Duration: 13th October (Tuesday) 22nd October (Wednesday)

Contact: M. Sumitra and B. Anandou

Ilaignarkal Education Centre (0413) 2623 773

Newcomer Potluck

Saturday 17 Oct 6:30 pm

All Newcomers (and interested Aurovilians) are cordially invited to a second potluck organized by the Entry Service.

This one will be at the Ilaignarkal School on Saturday 17 Oct. at 6:30 pm.

We had fun last time so bring yourself, food, and music if you can.

This time don't forget to wash your plate, but don't take them home!

Everybody (yes, Aurovilians too), please send an email to Entry to confirm your presence so we can do some proper preparations.

See you at the party!

The Entry Service Team (Aurore, B, Chitra, Eva, Ishita, Matilde, Neeti)

Pitchandikulam Forest - Herbal Team

Health Management in Rainy Season

with Ayurveda and the Use of Local Herbs

Saturday 17th October 2015

(10 to 12:30 and 14:30 to 16:00)



The body comes from a harsh season - summer, when the sun rays and heat have sucked the energy away, leaving the body weakened in its energy and immune system.

We will see what the body conditions are that we must look at during this rainy season.

What are the daily and seasonal recommendations to prevent any discomfort or diseases?

Which local plants and vegetables are of use during this season?

In the afternoon we will learn some homemade ayurvedic preparations (decoctions, oils, etc.)

The workshop will take place in the Ecodome in Pitchandikulam Forest.

This session is in English. The following week, on October 24th, a 2nd session will be given in French at the French Pavilion.

For information and registration, please SMS

Berengere (Bee) on 9489505691



The Teachers Center

invites all teachers to the next Conversation Integral Education

This week the topic will be:

Education for Sustainable Waste Management

"Finding innovative ways to introduce learning about waste management and its importance in AV & Outreach Schools"

The last session focused on an introduction to sustainable waste management and an open discussion to look at how to integrate waste management into AV & Outreach Schools.

This time we shall concentrate on coming up with ideas on how waste management can be included in Auroville & Outreach school curricula, what types of activities teachers would like to introduce to their students and how we can help integrate this easily into existing programmes.

The conversation will be facilitated by Chandrah & Ribhu, who have been working on education for sustainable waste management for the last 5 years.

All teachers are welcome!

Venue: Teachers Center

Tuesday 13th October from 4 - 5.30 pm

CULTURAL EVENTS

BHARAT NIVAS

Invites All
to

GARBA DANCE FESTIVAL 2015

Celebrate, Participate & Dance

Wednesday 14 to Sunday 18 October

Venue: SAWCHU

Details

Wednesday & Thursday: 14 to 16 October - 5 to 7 pm - Dance practice.

Friday: 16 Oct - 6 pm onwards: Collective singing open to all to invoke power of Durga.

Saturday & Sunday: 17-18 October: 7 pm onwards: Garba dance performance by friends of Pondicherry followed by collective celebration of dance accompanied by live music for all.

Last Day: Garba dance followed by Dandya (stick dance) - (Snacks & Drinks)

Introduction - Garba is a dance form that originated in Gujarat, performed during Navratri - a 9-day festival of the Goddess Durga. It is also known as **Garbi**, **Garbha** or **Garbha Deep**. In 'Garbha Deep', the word 'Garbha' is a Sanskrit term, which means womb and 'Deep' means little earthen lamps. Garba is usually performed in a circle around a big lamp or the statue of Goddess Shakti.

History & Symbolism - Garba was traditionally performed around a big Garbha Deep, representing life just as a fetus in the mother's womb. This dance form worships the divinity and power of the Goddess Durga or Amba. Another perspective on the symbolic form of Garba is that as the dancers move around in circles making circular movements with their hands and feet, it represents the circle of life, which moves from life to death to rebirth, leaving only the Goddess Durga unmoved, unchanging and invincible. Garba is performed in a ring form with circular movements that is quite similar to the Sufi dancers, who too move in a spiral. While the dancers perform in colorful costumes to the rhythm of a dhol or a drum, the men and women look vibrant and full of life in their attires.

Come in colourful costumes and dance

(For information, *Shilpa, Falguni & Rakhee*: 0413-2622253 - 9486535605)

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

INNER-WORK-WORKSHOP

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

13th October (Tuesday)

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

• Creative Arts, Interactive Games • Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother • Introduction to the Reference Books
Focus this week on: 'Synthesis of Yoga'

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

AUROVILLE MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

If you like martial arts, if you like to train and be in shape in a happy atmosphere, you're welcome to join our Mixed Martial Arts course and study with us different martial arts like Boxe, Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, Sambo, Muay Thai, Kung Fu.

Giacomo, an Italian mixed martial arts teacher, will lead the lessons supported sometimes by other martial art teachers.

We welcome males and females starting from the age of 15, no previous experiences are requested.

Come to meet us in Dehashakti, Monday and Friday from 5:50 pm to 7:00 pm. Free contribution.

TETRA PAK STOOL AND LITTER FREE CUSHION - WORKSHOP @ UPCYCLING STUDIO

Resume Tetra Pak stool workshop from 10 October

Continue every Saturday 10:00 -12:00

Please contact Marc 94420 06807 or

upcyclingstudio@auroville.org.in

Material cost will be asked.

LITTER FREE CUSHION

10, 24, 31 October 10:00 -12:00

PVC is a very good material but can usually only be landfilled.

You are going to make outdoor cushion from this PVC.

You fill them with your premium waste.

Know how much and what kind of waste you are producing from your daily life.

At the workshop, you make composition and cut, it will take 1 hr

Please contact Ok: 934400272 or

upcyclingstudio@auroville.org.in

CONNECTING ACROSS DIFFERENCES...

...the Nonviolent Communication way...*

Sun, Oct 18. 9.30am-4pm + potluck lunch

With L'aura Joy CNVC Certified Trainer

We all long for the same values (love, honesty, respect, to name just a few) and yet we seem to forget this when disagreements arise... Why is this...?

Can we learn the skills to stay open in dialogue, and to trust that there's a way to rebuild connection...? To trust that we're actually designed to collaborate and live in harmony...?

Yes! Come and explore...!

For more info & to register, contact L'aura:

joylivinglearning@gmail.com, 9442788016

* intermediate level training, although beginners also welcome

KUNDALINI YOGA SADHANA

Sat. 10th October @ 4.30am

Join us for a morning sadhana in the tradition of Yogi Bhajan.

We'll meet outside the gates of the Solar Kitchen at 4.30 am, and drive to fertile. Everyone is welcome, but this may not be for first timers. Please bring a mat, blanket and cushion if you have.

Contact *Brian* on 9943310642.

THERAPIES - VANI

Journey to the memory of the body: Journey through the trauma memories in the body, emotional blockages and belief systems in order to release and heal these traumas, by getting aware & deprogramming these past believe systems that keep you from living a very joyful life in the present. Fusion of Hladina Method, Hypnotherapy, Radikal Healing.

Awakening the intelligence of the body

Awakening your own healing power, experiencing the Presence within by quietening the thought process and contacting your

inner body. Fusion of deep guided relaxation, visualisation, energy work, pranic healing, acupressure & reflexology.

Life Coaching: Using awareness, visualization & imagination techniques

Life coaching is very useful in period of changes and doubts in order to get in contact with your intuitive self and find the creative & dynamic thread of your life again.

For appointment contact Pitanga: 2622403 or Vani:

9488818072/vani@auroville.org.in

Reiki and Reflexology courses possible on request

THAI YOGA MASSAGE

11-Day Workshop: October 15th - 25th 2015

Fund-raising for the new start of TerraSoul Permaculture

Project at Windarra Farm, Sunspace

With Itzhak Helman & Bebe Merino (Teachers of Sunshine Network)

Principals, Foundations & Dynamics: This course is for beginners and people who want to refresh their practice. We will have 60-80 hours of intense training together. The morning Vipassana Meditation session and yoga from 6-7.30 am is optional, followed by Instruction and massage practice from 9-12 am. The afternoons from 2-5 pm are fully dedicated to massage practice. Thai Yoga Massage brings penetrating massage & gentle yoga movements into profound healing systems.

Itzhak Helman and Bebe Merino are experienced Thai Yoga Massage teachers and deeply connected to Auroville. For further information please look at the website: www.thai-yoga-massage.org

This workshop is a fund-raising workshop for the restart of TerraSoul Farm Project.

Registration: sandyra@auroville.org.in, phone 944 3619 403 / Info: *Bebe Merino* 8940 557 379

OM CHOIRS WITH NARAD

Narad is back und will work with us and our voices and aspiration to bring down the New Music to Heal and Transform us and the Earth. The voice that chants to the creator Fire, / The symbolled OM, the great assenting Word... ('Savitri', p.310)

OM CHOIRS with Narad are at Savitri Bhavan, every Tuesdays at 5:45 -7:15 pm and at the Ashram School, Fridays at 7:00-8:00pm.

LEC COOKING CLASS: COOK WITH LOCALLY GROWN VEGETABLES

We are happy to announce the commencement of cooking classes for this season. **The first session will be on October 17 (Saturday) in Life Education Centre (LEC) at 10:30 am.**

The session is session #15 in the series. It will have two recipes - 1) the main dish made from yellow pumpkin and 2) ginger thuvaial as accompaniment. Dishes are simple, easy to prepare, nourishing and retain the flavor of vegetables. Come watch the demonstration and be inspired to cook with local vegetables.

Copies of recipes will be made available during the class. The bi-monthly cooking sessions are offered by Buvanandari. LEC is located opposite Isaiambalam School in Kotakkara.

Life Education Centre team

SCHEDULES

VERITEWORKSHOP:

HEALTHY AYURVEDIC LIFE STYLE with Dr. Geeta Auropremi
Thursday, 15 October 2015 - from 9.30 am to 12:30 pm
(24 hour advanced registration required)

A holistic approach to understanding the self and maintaining health, including yoga, Ayurveda, diet, pranayama, meditation and naturopathy. Lifestyle guidance is also available for managing specific health issues.

Dr. Geeta Auropremi has 30 years of experience in Ayurveda,

Yoga and Naturopathy. She has an MD in Gynecology and Pediatrics, an YTTC certificate and diploma in Yoga, and Post-Graduate degrees in Yoga & Naturopathy.

CHANGE OF DATE:

CONSCIOUSNESS AS MEDICINE - with Dr. Yogesh Mohan is postponed from Saturday 10th October to **Saturday 31st October - 9 am - 12.30 pm.**

CANCELLATION:

Dance Offering (formerly Dance Space) with Dariya is canceled for the next three weeks and will resume on **Thursday 29th October; 5 - 7 pm**

Please contact *Vérité* to register for the following workshop: 0413 2622045 or programming@verite.in
Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

PITANGA CLASSES

1. Pranayama with Tatiana has been rescheduled to start on Tuesdays at 5.30pm

2. Adult Yoga classes with Gala resume on Monday Oct 12th and Childrens classes Saturday 10th
3. Vinyasa Flow with Bebe restarts with beginners class Tuesday 9.00-10.30am and all levels classes Weds 17.15- 18.45pm and Friday 18.00-19.30.

THERAPIES - please contact reception for appointments for these new and resuming therapies

- Thai Yoga massage and Shiatsu with French, Pre newcomer, Manu
- Journey to the Memory of the Body, Awakening the intelligence of the Body and Life Coaching with Vani
- Cranial Sacral Therapy with Elena

EXHIBITION

"Life in Focus" A photographic exhibition by Edward Chinniah showing daily except Sundays 8am - 6pm
Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti, (0413) 262 2403 - pitanga@auroville.org.in

F I L M S



C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM

FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER- 7:30 PM (Film show starting at 7:45 sharp)

"CHILDREN OF PARADISE" - Les enfants du paradis (original title)

First Part: "The Boulevard of Crime"

Directed by: Marcel CARNÉ - France, 1945

Cast: Arletty, Jean-Louis Barrault, Pierre Brasseur, Marcel Herrand, Maria Casarès ...

Synopsis: The crowd of passers-by who haunt the "Boulevard of Crime" is the backdrop to the love of Baptiste, the mime artist, and beautiful Garance. Around them revolve now legendary characters from all social classes: aristocracy mingles with underworld and artists in a great romantic and desperate ballet. Even if Baptiste ends up marrying Nathalie, the memory of Garance remains immortal... The film was produced under overwhelmingly difficult circumstances during the German occupation of France (1945), and many of the participants/creators were members of the Maquis/Resistance, so the movie's existence itself is somewhat miraculous. Children of Paradise (better translated as "Children of the Gods" in reference to its theatrical background), yet another collaboration of director Marcel Carné and poet Jacques Prévert, has gone on to become one of the great classics of international cinema. (In 2 parts)

Original French version with English Subtitles - Black & White - Duration: 1h.35'.



THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, October 16, Friday at 7 pm

PLASTIC PLANET

2009, 95 minutes, Directed by Werner Boote

We live in the age of plastic. It's cheap and practical, and it's everywhere - even in our blood. But is it a danger to us? The plastic industry annually generates hundreds of billions of dollars. Every industrial sector in the world today is dependent on plastic. This film boldly and humorously confronts manufacturers, scientists, government officials and consumers to ask questions that concern all of us: Why don't we change

our consumption behavior? Who wins in this game? And who loses? Interviews with the world's foremost experts in biology, pharmacology, and genetics shed light on the perils of plastic to our environment and expose the truth of how plastic affects our bodies and the health of future generations.

Best Documentary at the Romy Gala, Austria

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 Film Club

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 sadhaneforest@auroville.org.in.

VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW

Hindi movie

13th Tuesday October, 8.00 pm

BHAAG MILKHA BHAAG

Hindi - subtitles English

Bhaag Milkha Bhaag (English: "Run Milkha Run") is a 2013 Indian [biographical sports](#) drama film directed by [Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra](#) from a script written by [Prasoon Joshi](#) based on the life of [Milkha Singh](#), an Indian athlete who was a national champion runner and an Olympian. The film stars [Farhan Akhtar](#), [Sonam Kapoor](#), [Meesha Shafi](#), [Divya Dutta](#), [Pavan Malhotra](#), [Yograj Singh](#) and [Prakash Raj](#). Sports was coordinated by the American action director [Rob Miller](#) of ReelSports.

15th Thursday October 8 pm

TOMORROWLAND (2015)

Genre: Family/Adventure. Dur: 130min. Language: English/Subtitle: English. Rated: PG 13.

Dir: [Brad Bird](#) / Cast: [George Clooney](#), [Britt Robertson](#), [Hugh Laurie](#)

Story Line: Bound by a shared destiny, a teen bursting with scientific curiosity and a former boy-genius inventor embark on

a mission to unearth the secrets of a place somewhere in time and space that exists in their collective memory.

16th Friday October 8 pm

PAUL BLART MALL COP 2

Genre: Comedy. Dur:94min. Language: English/Subtitle: English. Rated: PG 13.

Dir: [Andy Fickman](#) / Cast: [Kevin James](#), [Raini Rodriguez](#), [Eduardo Verástegui](#)

Story Line: After six years of keeping our malls safe, Paul Blart has earned a well-deserved vacation. He heads to Vegas with his teenage daughter before she heads off to college. But safety never takes a holiday and when duty calls, Blart answers.



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program 12 October 2015 to 18 October 2015

Indian - Monday 12 October, 8:00 pm:

- **DIL DHADAKNE DO (Let the Heart Beat)**

India, 2015, Writer-Dir. Zoya Akhtar w/ Anil Kapoor, Shefali Shetty, Priyanka Chopra, and others, Drama-Romance, 170mins, Hindi w/ English subtitles, Rated:PG-13 (U/A) Kamal and Neelam Mehra, one of the most popular couples in Delhi society are entering their 30th year of marriage. This is an occasion that calls for a lavish celebration in their circles. The couple invites close family and friends on a 10- day cruise of Europe. Once on the ship, their lives, their secrets start to unfold about each other, their relationship, about their daughter Ayesha and son Kabir. Will the Mehra's socially sink? How will they be able to confront the society that is so fake and judgmental? How will they swim to shore and survive as a happy family? *A full on Bollywood fanfare with a story line.*

Italian - Tuesday 13 October, 8:00 pm:

- **LA FORESTA DI GHIACCIO (Ice Forest)**

Italy, 2014, Dir. Claudio Noce, w/ Emir Kusturicha, Kseniya Rappoport, Drama-Thriller, 99 mins, Italian w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG
The movie tells the story of an incredible mystery, which takes place behind the outward serenity of a small village in the Alps. A storm is about to rage in the background and Pietro, a young specialized technician, arrives in the valley to repair a failure at the high altitude power plant, where he suddenly faces a very strange disappearance. Pietro then clashes with two brothers that live and work in the area, Lorenzo and Secondo. As soon as he understands the origin of the secrets hidden in the heart of the valley, tensions explode and distorting mirrors make no one immune from suspicion.

Cultural - Wednesday 14 October, 8:00 pm:

- **MERCE CUNNINGHAM Cie: BIPED & POND WAY**
France, 2005, Dir. Charles Atlas w/Choreographer Merce Cunningham and the dancers from his company, Documentary, 75mins, English w/French subtitles, Rated: NR
Merce Cunningham is considered one of the most important choreographers of our times expanding the frontiers not only of dance, but also of contemporary visual and performing arts. The two choreographies presented here, Biped: where digital moving images projected in front of a black stage on which dancers perform and Pond Way: which is a unique ballet piece devoted to abstraction. They are a perfect example of Mr. Cunningham's technique and illuminating the near limitless possibility for human movement.

French - Thursday 15 October, 8:00 pm:

- **FAMILLE BELIER (The Bélier Family)**
France-Belgium, 2014, Dir. Eric LartigauT w/ Louane Emera, Karin Viard, François Damiens, Comedy-Drama, 106 mins, French WITH ENGLISH subtitles.
In the Bélier family, everybody is deaf, to the exception of Paula, 16 years old. On the daily life, she is an indispensable interpreter for her parents. One day, pushed by her music teacher, she decides to prepare for the Radio France contest...

International - Saturday 17 October, 8:00 pm:

- **LEVIATHAN**

Russia, 2014, Dir. Andrey Zvyagintsev w/ Alekey Serebryakov, Elena Lyadova, Vladimir Vdovichenkov, 140 mins, Drama, Russian w/ English subtitles, Rated: R
On the outskirts of a small coastal town in the Barents Sea, where whales sometimes come to its bay, lives an ordinary family: Kolya, his wife Lilya and their teenage son Romka. The family is haunted by a local corrupted mayor, who is trying to take away the land, a house and a small auto repair shop from Kolya. To save their homes Kolya calls his old Army friend in Moscow, who has now become an authoritative attorney. Together they decide to fight back and collect dirt on the mayor.

Special Screening - Sunday 18 October, 4:00 pm:

- **MILLIDACIOUS**

Auroville-India, 2015, Dir. Doris & Francis w/ Aurovilians, Musical, 140mins, English.
In an old man's house in the countryside all is calm amongst the cats, rats and mice. Then one day the he has to leave and the balance is disturbed. Very soon the house is in chaos, particularly when cats from the city arrive. In order to save the day a small band of rats and mice set out to find help from a world they know nothing of. *If you have missed this awesome production or would love to re-visit, this your chance to catch it! Please note the time - the film starts at 4pm.*

PEDRO ALMODÓVAR Film Festival @ CINECLUB

Ciné-Club - Sunday 18 October, 8:00 pm:

- **VOLVER**

Spain, 2006, Dir. Pedro Almodóvar w/Penélope Cruz, Carmen Maura, and others, Comedy-Crime, 121mins, Spanish w English subtitles, Rated: R
The story revolves around the relationships between a group of related women and how a tragedy from their past comes back to haunt them when a woman thought dead makes a startling return. The film is Almodovar's passionate tribute to the community of women, living and dead – who nurtured him.

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.

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