

News & Notes

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YES, MONDAY!



HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

You see, to be free from all attachments doesn't mean to run away from opportunities for attachment. All those people who assert their asceticism not only run away, but warn others that they shouldn't try! It seems to me so obvious. When you need to run away from a thing in order not to experience it, it means you aren't above it, you are still on that level. All that eliminates and diminishes or lessens doesn't free. Freedom must be experienced in the totality of life and sensations.

In this connection, there has been a whole period of study of this subject, on the purely physical level.... To rise above all possibility of error, you tend to eliminate the opportunities for error; for instance, if you don't want to utter unnecessary words, you stop speaking. People who make a vow of silence imagine it gives a control over speech - that's not true! It only eliminates the opportunities to speak, and therefore of saying unnecessary things. For food, it's the same problem: how to eat only just what is needed?... In the transitional state we find ourselves in, we no longer want to live that wholly animal life based on material exchanges and food, but it would be folly to think we have reached the state in which the body can live on without any food at all (still, there is already a big difference, since they are trying to find the nutritional essence in foods in order to reduce their volume); but the natural tendency is fasting - which is a mistake!

For fear of acting wrongly, we stop doing anything; for fear of speaking wrongly, we stop saying anything; for fear of eating for the pleasure of eating, we stop eating anything - that's not freedom, it's simply reducing the manifestation to its minimum. And the natural outcome is Nirvana. But if the Lord wanted only Nirvana, there would be only Nirvana! He obviously conceives the coexistence of all opposites and that, to Him, must be the beginning of a totality. So, of course, you may, if you feel that you are meant for that, choose only one of His manifestations, that is to say, the absence of manifestation. But that's still a limitation. And it's not the only way of finding Him, far from it!

It's a very widespread tendency, which probably comes from an old suggestion, or perhaps from a poverty, an incapacity: to reduce and reduce - reduce one's needs, reduce one's activities, reduce one's words, reduce one's food, reduce one's active life, and it all becomes so cramped! In the aspiration not to make any mistakes, you eliminate the opportunities of making them - that's no cure. But the other path is far, far more difficult.

Yes, I am thinking, for instance, of those who live in the West, who live the Western life: they are constantly swamped with work, with appointments, with telephones... they don't have one minute to purify what constantly falls on them and to collect themselves. In those conditions, how can they be free men? How is it possible?

This is the other extreme. *(silence)*

No, the solution is to act from the divine impulse alone, to speak from the divine impulse alone, to eat from the divine impulse alone. That's what is difficult, because, naturally, you immediately confuse the divine impulse with your personal impulses! That was the idea, I think, of all the apostles of renunciation: eliminate all that comes from outside or from below, so that if something from above manifests, you will be in a fit state to receive it. But from the collective point of view, it's a process that may take thousands of years! From the individual point of view, it's possible; but then the aspiration to receive the true impulse should be kept intact - not the aspiration to total "liberation," but the aspiration to the ACTIVE identification with the Supreme, in other words, to want only what He wants, to do only what He wants, to exist only through Him, in Him. So the method of renunciation may be tried, but it's a method for someone who wants to cut himself off from others. And can there be an integrality in that case?... It doesn't seem possible to me.

Announcing publicly what you intend to do helps considerably. It may give rise to objections, contempt, conflicts, but that's largely made up for by the public "expectation," if we may say so: by what others expect from you. That was certainly the reason for those robes: to let people know. Obviously, you may incur the contempt and ill will of some people, but there are all those who feel, "I mustn't touch this, I mustn't have anything to do with it, it's not my concern."

I don't know why, it has always seemed to me to be showing off - it may not be that, and in certain cases it isn't, but still it's a way of telling people, "Ah! Here is what I am." And as I said, it may help, but there are drawbacks. It's still childish. All those things are methods, stages on the way, but... true freedom is being free from everything - including from all methods.

(silence)

(To be continued)

MOTHER'S AGENDA, 16 September 1964

MOTHER

The
Ponder
Corner

Concentration upon oneself means decay and death.
Concentration on the Divine alone brings life and growth and realisation.
The Mother
ref. MCW, vol. 14, Words of the Mother - II, p.15

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE NEWS&NOTES!

The cover this week is giving you a hint...

■ the News&Notes' PUBLICATION DAY is now MONDAY (instead of Saturday).

The News&Notes will still be delivered on Saturdays, but you will have more time to read it!

The Monday publication will include all events of the MONDAY to SUNDAY week ahead - with delivery on Saturday for all.

The deadline remains the same, the delivery day remains Saturday, so there is little change involved for most of you.

EXCEPT for the WEEKEND EVENTS. These announcements will need to reach us before the Tuesday of the week before.

Main idea behind this move is to allow better planning for all, i.e. not reading about Saturday's events or workshops on the day itself, or past their date even, but RATHER TO HAVE THE WHOLE WEEK AHEAD to plan for attending.

It will also stop the need for repeating many of the Friday/Saturday events, and remove the unsure feeling about the Friday events.

All the cinemas schedules will also be clearer and in sync with the same week, without need for Friday reminders.

**FOR ALL, it should be a much more pleasant experience,
to read leisurely over the weekend about the whole week coming ahead!**

ENJOY!

News&Notes

Community News

WORKING GROUPS REPORTS

■ Forest Group meeting notes

Friday, June 1, Adventure

Present: Natasha (chair), G Vengadesh, P Elamalai, Christoph, V Boobalan, Rita, Yuval, Hans (notes), Shivaraj, Balu, David, Kumar, Lyle, D Segar, T Saga, Mani, Agnès, Sandeep, Ilango, Philipp, Alex, Madda, Edzard, Bindu, Tine

Fire extinguishers

It's summer, it's dry, there is always a chance a fire breaks out. The benefits of having a working and regularly serviced fire extinguisher available cannot be underestimated.

Auroville Consolidated Balance Sheet

The Forest Group was informed by the FAMC of the wish to integrate the balance sheets of Auroville's farms and forests into the general Auroville Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The Forest Group will need some time to further discuss this request, identify possible issues and required changes in the current financial accounting process and other implications.

Financial situation of retired foresters

The Forest Group discussed the tribulations of retired foresters without a personal income. It cannot be called fair that foresters, after many years of hard work, developing the forest from scratch, in the meantime spending a lot of own finances, are then left with too little to live on.

The Forest Group recommends Auroville, and will keep doing so, to sufficiently financially support people who must be enjoying the last part of their lives and should not be condemned to a final bout of poverty and all the worries that come with that. More specifically, the Forest Group recommends the HRT and BCC to financially support an old and highly appreciated member of the Forest Group.

Newlands

The Forest Group strongly recommends the Land Board and the wider Auroville community to purchase, either directly or by exchange, a currently privately owned plot inside the larger Newlands forest. The situation is urgent: rash development is taking place, with destructive consequences for the larger forest and resulting in a very unhappy situation for the Aurovilians involved.

Highway through Auroville?

The Forest Group was informed of a possible threat to the integrity of the Auroville forest: a seemingly planned feeder highway between the ECR and Tindivanam rd. If it materializes, then this large road will cut the eastern and southern part of the greenbelt, coming in at Aurogreen and leaving at Success. While appreciating India's need for improved infrastructure, the Forest Group calls for a combined effort of all groups and

individuals concerned to work to prevent this road from being laid at the presently marked locations, because it would spell disaster for the southern and eastern part of the Green Belt. A different routing has been identified in coordination with the government agencies involved in this planning.

Electrical substation in Adventure

The Forest Group does not object to placing the new electrical substation inside Adventure forest and recognizes the great benefits of this new feeder for Auroville as well as for Edayanchavadi. However, based on formulas and figures supplied by TNEB for this type of larger substation, the size of the plot should be not more than 2.9 acres.

There is already an agreement on the location of the 2 acres that was asked for in the first place. The additional 0.9 acres should be at the back of these 2 acres, thereby occupying a small part of the current underused Adventure sportsgrounds.

Northern Greenbelt

The Forest Group discussed pros and cons of placing checkpoints in order to restrict unwanted traffic and undesirable activities on or near Auroville land, more specifically in the Northern Greenbelt. Checkposts may be discouraging people to unnecessarily use roads or paths. On the other hand: a checkpost may be misunderstood and seen as an unacceptable barrier to unrestricted right of way. The Forest Group encourages the stewards of the Northern Greenbelt to try to formulate a consensus on the issue and inform the Forest Group of that consensus.

Housing board

Yuval, the current Green Group representative in the Housing Board, informed the Forest Group of his desire to hand over this responsibility to another member. No member has yet responded to this request.

Next meeting

Next meeting of the Forest Group will be on Friday, July 6, 3pm, in Aurodam.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matrimandir Closure for Maintenance

This is to inform all that Matrimandir remains closed to visitors from 4.6.2018 to 3.7.2018 for renovation and repair works.

Matrimandir reopens for visitors' concentration from 4.7.2018.

The booking services by phone, email and the Visitors Centre Booking Office remain closed from 3.6.2018 to 1.7.2018.

Booking for concentration reopens from 2.7.2018, closed on Tuesdays. Booking requests for July 4th 2018 and onward are to be sent no earlier than July 1st 2018. Please keep in mind that 3rd July is a Tuesday.

The Visitors Centre and the Matrimandir Viewing Point remain open as usual from 9 am to 5 pm, Sundays from 9 am to 1 pm only.

During this period, Aurovilians and Newcomers will be able to access the Matrimandir from 6 to 8 am and 5.30 to 8 pm only.

We regret any inconvenience caused.

The Matrimandir Team.

■ L'avenir d'Auroville - Resignation of 2 members

Dear community,

This is to inform you that two members, Aurovici and Sindhuja, have stepped down from L'avenir d'Auroville.

They both communicated to us that unfortunately they cannot juggle all their commitments, or give this work the time and focus that it needs.

However, Sindhuja is continuing to help as a resource person in the Building Application Cell.

Warmly,

L'avenir d'Auroville team

(Anita, Anu, Divya, Inge, Pino, Tejaswini)

■ WCom Office closed in the afternoons

Dear Community,

Kindly be informed that the Working Committee Office (secretarial office) will be closed in the afternoons from Monday, 18th June, 2018 till Saturday, 30th June, 2018. The secretarial office will continue to remain open in the mornings during this period. Should you have any work with the office, kindly make sure to drop in in the mornings between 9:30am till 12:00pm during the mentioned period. Thanking you for your cooperation.

Regards, The Working Committee

■ Reminder! Deadline for submitting proposals for Auroville's 50th Anniversary Year: June 18th

Dear Community, the 50th Anniversary Team and Monitoring Committee continue to review proposals for funding under the special 50th Anniversary Gol GENERAL grant.

Here below are the criteria under which a *small number* of new proposals may be considered:

- Projects clearly relate to Auroville's 50th Anniversary/50th Anniversary year.
- Project Proposals describe requests for any amount up to INR 6 Lakhs for any given request.
- Project proposals are to be submitted latest **18 June 2018**.
- Project holders undertake to complete the project/spend funds latest by December 2018.
- Projects should not require further funding or partner funding from any other source.

Please also note that funding is limited. Requests for equipment will be considered if specifically required for the implementation of the project, are not already available in Auroville and come under the purview of this special grant. Funding is also not available for ongoing activities.

For all projects that receive funding, regular updates and status reports in a particular format are required every two months (as long as the project is ongoing). Final reports are also required on project completion

For more information or to get a copy of the proposal format, please write to 50thgeneral@auroville.org.in or phone us at [0413-2623510](tel:0413-2623510) or come to meet us at the first floor 50th desk at SAIER. You can also download a copy of the proposal format from Auronet (link [HERE](#)).

Reminder! Last date for submitting such proposals is
18 June 2018.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Warmly, your 50th Anniversary Team

Chali, Claudine, Fabienne, Frederick, Ganesh, Guy, Inge, Jürgen, Nilen, Pala, Ravi

■ FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - N&N # 751

Dated: 18-06-2018

Our team is happy to recommend the following individuals as Aurovilians and Newcomers, joining Auroville. Prior to Newcomer and Aurovilian status confirmation, for Newcomers two weeks and for Aurovilians one month window for community feedback. Kindly forward your support or grievances to entryservice@auroville.org.in

NEWCOMERS ANNOUNCED:

Arunachalam PARASURAMAN (Indian) staying in Djaima, working at SAIER.

Castoury KRISHNAMOORTHY (Indian) staying in Sangamam, working at Auroville Herbarium.

Dhaval CHANDARANA (Indian) staying and working at Aurosoya. Jayalakshmi IYYAMPERUMAL (Indian) staying and working at Udavi School.

Jayanthi RAJU (Indian) staying in Sangamam, working at Discipline Farm.

Philippe GOURMEL (French) staying in Surrender, working at PTDC.

Savithri KRISHNAMOORTHY (Indian) staying in Aurodam, working at Housing Service.

Valentina KALINICHENKO (Russian) staying in Citadines, working at Linea Dental.

CHILD OF NEWCOMER:

Pradhiba SIVAPERUMAN (Indian) Born on: 16-04-2001

Rishikumar SIVAPERUMAN (Indian) Born on: 09-12-2002

NEWCOMERS CONFIRMED:

Joel De Graaf (Belgian)

Manikandan ANNASAMY (Indian)

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:

Mathilde TRUCHOT (French) staying in Kriya, working at Aikiyam School.

Mimansha CHHADVA (Indian) staying in Pump House, working at Wasteless.

Romel CHHADVA (Indian) staying in Pump House, working at Bamboo Centre.

Safia RAOUI (Belgian) staying in Surrender, working at Kallialay Surf School.

Vijayan DHANDAPANI (Indian) staying in Kottakarai Farm, working at Tanto.

AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED:

Emmanuel SCHMITT (French)

ASSOCIATE OF AUROVILLE:

Ramansubramanian OB (Indian) at SLI

NOTE: Individuals are entered into the Register of Residents (maintained by the Auroville Foundation) shortly after filling the B-FORM and meeting with the Secretary of the AVF.

The appointment date for these is set and communicated by the Entry Service to the individual at the respective time, and **NOT AT THEIR PERSONAL REQUEST.**

This is the last step of the Newcomer process where the status of Newcomer Resident is switched to Aurovilian Resident.

ENTRY SERVICE OPEN-TO-PUBLIC SUMMER TIMINGS

Monday 09:30AM-12:30PM (Only for the month of June)

From July we will be back to normal schedule.

Yours, *The Entry Service*—

■ Houses available for transfer:

1. **Realization community** - Francis Malan apartment - Ground floor: Plinth area of 51.9 sqm. Residential building with Brick walls outside stabilized earth plastered, Brick vault roofing with uncovered front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet. Community shared services - parking, aqua guardian water and washing machine. Suitable for Single or Couple.

2. **Sanjana Community** - Block 4 apartment A of PLINTH AREA: 48.47sqm with Bedroom, Kitchen, hall and bathroom & toilet. Suitable for Single or Couple.

For more information contact: Housing Service (Town Hall) Phone; (0413) 2622658 / e-mail: housing@auroville.org.in

From Sunship: Immediately available, one single unit of 42 Sq.m completely furnished and equipped-kitchen, bathroom and cupboard- with Collective cafeteria, Laundry, technical maintenance and management by Aurovilians!!* (*Contact louis@auroville.org.in for visit and more information)

■ Housing Project under construction:

1. **Auromodele Orchard** - Booking available for 9 family house 5 studio house. *Will be ready in 2018.* Contact person: **Padmanabhan, Auromodele. Mobile: [8940220333](tel:8940220333)**

2. **Kalpna Housing Project: OFFICES AND APPARTMENTS STILL AVAILABLE:** Project Holders: Satyakam and Devasmita, Architect: Ovoid Atelier / Neel and Supriti, Contractor for the finishing work: Auromira / Jothi Prasad.

UPDATE: The finishing work at Kalpana is going on well. The South block with 22 apartments will be completed by mid-July 2018.

In parallel the work is going on in the North block and East block. The next works which will start soon are the balcony and staircases railings and the landscaping.

Out of 42 apartments 8 units are still available:

Studios: 3 units, 1BHK: 3 units, 2 BHK: 1 unit, 3 BHK: 1 unit
Also available are 2 OFFICES on ground floor in the North block

We are hoping to be ready by 30th August 2018.

Satyakam will be TOS from 17th June till 19th July. He will be available by e mail for any information, and for a request for a site visit. satyakam@auroville.org.in

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

■ Sri Aurobino Auditorium - an update

In principle the auditorium remains closed due to the pending Acoustic Work since 1st April 2018.

For technical purpose, it is difficult to foresee how things will proceed.

Meanwhile, we can organise or accept programs on exceptional ground. So, if there are requests for performances, kindly check with us if it is possible by writing to: bharatnivas@auroville.org.in
The Bharat Nivas Cultural Group

■ Invitation to host workshops, exhibitions at Kala Kendra

We invite the members of the Auroville community to offer Art Exhibitions, Workshops and Talks at Kalakendra. If interested, please write to bhartnivas@auroville.org.in
Bharat Nivas Cultural Group

■ Exploring gift economy - Week 1

PerceptivEye

has baked a

graphic
pEye



come & try!

Dear friends, we are exploring a month of Gift economy with Auroville Units. We are experimenting to see if we can sustain and grow on the generosity and heartfelt offering from the community.

Contact us for Illustrations, graphics, publications, brochures, flyers, or websites. Contribute as you wish! mail: perceptiveye@auroville.org.in or call: [9408444747](tel:9408444747). PerceptivEye - Systems Design Studio

■ ERRATUM:

The News&Notes announced last week in Postings the opening of "Auro Toes" located on Udavi School ground. Please note that this is not an Auroville registered activity or unit. Our apologies, from the N&N editor.

POSTINGS

Tailoring section at Freestore closed in June

Dear all, it is wonderful to receive such an amount of garments and other useful items from our community for exchange. But... due to this generosity we need all our time to go through it and display everything in a nice and convenient way for all of us. This also means that our only tailor is overloaded with repair and alteration work, which is not easy to catch up with at the moment. That's why we unfortunately have no other choice but to close our tailoring section for the months of May and June, and re-open at the beginning of July.

We are sorry for the inconvenience and hope you will understand our situation.

Looking forward to see you at Freestore, and back at the tailoring section after summer.

Love, your Freestore Team

Auroville Residents Service summer timings for June:

Please note that the Auroville Residents Service office will be open for public from morning 9:00 am to 12.30pm, Mnday to Friday we will be closed in the afternoons starting from May 1st. We will come back to our regular timings from July onwards.
Thank you Residents Service Team

Birgitta in Namibia: Here is an article in English about my project. I will send you more information, as soon as I have the invitation of FNCC: www.namibian.com.na/68100/read/The-Research-of-the-Invisible-at-FNCC. We just came back out of the bush after one month of expedition. You can follow it and find lots of photos in Facebook on my page "Birgitta Volz".
Love, Birgitta

THANK YOU

10,000,000 thanks: dear sisters and brothers from Auroville and elsewhere, many thanks for the support I've received from many Aurovilians. I collected 2/3 of the amount I needed and it will be a great help.

Another 10,000,000 thanks,
Love and Gratitude - Veronique

APPEAL

Fundraising for a prospective newcomer kid: Dear All, you may know Ragupathy -Carpenter who has now started the Newcomer process. He has been trying for years to get his kids in the Auroville school system via Thamarai, New Creation and others, unsuccessfully. Now his son 8-year-old Master Santoshgugan needs 26000₹ as admission fee for schooling in Pondicherry. I opened an account today with Financial Service for all generous donors who want to help a meritorious family (Number is 251532 - Ragupathy school).
Cheers and Love, -Cristo-

Dear sisters and brothers from Auroville and elsewhere,
Many thanks for the support I've received from many Aurovilians. I collected 2/3 of the amount I needed and it will be a great help if I can get 10,000₹ more (252550) A lot of thanks, Love and Gratitude - Veronique / VersHaut

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Accountant at Housing Service:

Dear Community, Housing Service has a need for a part time accountant on half maintenance. You have to be high on integrity, have good accounting knowledge and It would be an advantage if you are familiar with the Tally Program to help run the accounting system in Housing Service with smoothness and harmony, in service for the community. Do contact housing@auroville.org.in with your resumé if you feel inspired.
Warm regards, The Housing Service

HEALTH

■ INTEGRAL HEALTH

Classical homeopathy hypnotherapy child care

Aqua Terra - a homeopathic remedy has been prepared from the water collected at the Water ceremony. Homeopathic dilution and potentisation is the science of preserving and opening of the information field of a substance in physical, emotional, mental and higher levels.

Aqua Terra C 30, C 200 and C 1000 is available in the remedy box.

We hope to conduct a fully documented "homeopathic proving", noting effects of taking the remedy for 2 months, and at least 14 days on a daily basis. Those interested in participating, please contact us.

Aditi Patel, fully qualified classical homeopath from Baroda, with 6 years of experience including working alongside an allopath, working with "special needs children" and with

psychiatric patients joined Integral Health from 15th April onwards.

Malar has advanced her homeopathic training in several seminars with Sankarans teachers, and offers consultancy in Tamil.

Integral Health will be fully functioning with Aditi and Malar all through the summer! **Peter** and **Sigrid** are out of station til mid-July.

Sigrid gives sessions in transpersonal regressiontherapy, inner child work, trauma therapy.

Malar has trained in homeopathy and provides homeopathic consultations, homeopathic First Aid, providing follow up remedies etc. Malar can visit your womens group, Service Unit etc. and present the homeopathic first aid and PC remedies.

First Aid Kits with 32 remedies are available, description in English, French, German and Tamil are available.

Okoubaka (for soothing effects of pesticides), **PC Shock**, **PC Allergy**, **PC Diabetes**, **PC High Bloodpressure** etc. are available in our remedy box, along with **Harmony** and **Samata**. Just come and take anytime. Benefits are well established - no side effects.

Consultations are generally held in English, French and German, and Tamil.

Malar is managing the office, the FirstAidKits and PC remedies on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9 - 12.30 a.m.

You are welcome to contact us at integralhealth@auroville.org.in to enquire about the most suitable approach for your health or psychological issue.

Integral Health, Prayatna [0413-2623669](tel:0413-2623669)

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SPORTS

Volleyball at Dehashakti: Mondays 5-6.30pm

We are looking for more women who know how to play volleyball and would like to join us for some fun matches at the Dehashakti sports ground. Just come by. With light, *Tanja*

CELEBRATING AUROVILLE'S 50th

FOOTBALL
MAJOR GEN. KK TEWARI
MEMORIAL CUP
2017-2018

DEHASHAKTI SPORTS GROUND, DANA
15th - 17th June 2018
6:00am- 10am | 3:30pm- 6.00pm

FINALS MATCH
17th June @ 3.30pm



Auroville Aikido at Auroville Budokan (near Dana):

Adult classes restart on Wednesday July 4th and Children on Monday 9th. For more info, please see our poster and next announcement.

You can contact **Surya**: [0413-2623813](tel:0413-2623813) or [9655485487](tel:9655485487)

- e-mail budokan@auroville.org.in

- Hoping to see you on the mats!

Surya, Murugan and Cristo for "Auroville Aikido".

EATING OUT

Summer Closing/Opening of each Tanto location:

- **Tanto Auroville main road** will be closed from 4th June till 21th June

- **Tanto ECR** (an air conditioned premise) and **Tanto Srma** are open again

Special summer offering at Well Studio Café

During the month of June, we would like to offer all our guests 10 Percent off the menu, and for Aurovillians & Newcomers 30 percent Off.

Please join us for breakfast and lunch. Monday to Saturday from 8.30 till 16.30. Vegetarian and vegan Mediterranean food in our beautiful garden. Love, *Well Café Team (Sve Dame)*

For groups and take away please call us: [0413-2622229](tel:0413-2622229)

E-Mail Address [-wellcafe@auroville.org.in](mailto:wellcafe@auroville.org.in)



AUROVILLE RADIO / TV



Greetings Auroville... We are happy to share with you all what we managed to capture in past week as a team of AurovilleRadio/TV. Please do collaborate with us in sharing event details and video clips of events happening in the community of Auroville. We would be happy to

hear from you, and also for you to make use of our services. Please do follow our updated website which offers a wide range of information with written, audio and video content and stay connected with us for more event updates on our social media sites, Facebook and Twitter. Website: www.aurovillerradio.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/auroville.radio Twitter: AurovilleRadioTV (@AurovilleRadio) | Twitter

From our volunteers for the past week we have: [Karthick - Inauguration of Integrated Transport Service at World Environment Day](#) / [Tanja Julia's Smile in German](#) / [Ivana - Quality of Art pt.5](#) / [rtm - Hans Introduction to Art of Relaxation Art of Relaxation Pt.1](#) / [Art of Relaxation Pt.2.](#)

Out of regular programs we have: [GangaLakshmi](#) continues with her [Selections](#) of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo in French.

Here are also news of [Thursday](#), and [Monday](#).

[Take Time to immerse in music](#) features healing tracks.

Your AurovilleRadioTV team

GREEN MATTERS

CASHEW SPRAYING AND HEALTH: You want a change? Please PARTICIPATE in the survey!



Dear friends,

The community-wide survey on *Cashew spraying and Health* is still on **until Tuesday 19th June**, and the more of us participate, the more meaningful the results will be.

If you haven't yet had a chance to complete the simple online survey, you can find it [here](#) (in English and Tamil versions).

Thank you for taking a few minutes to answer a few questions about if and how the spraying affected you and your family - for a healthier, safer future for all!

Some detailed information on the chemicals sprayed and their effects on humans and the environment is accessible in the [Rough Guide to the common pesticides used in Auroville](#).

We thank you for your solidarity in an area that concerns us all, and look forward to hearing from you!

Your [Healthy Cashew Network](#), Auroville

Water Words: So many groups, so many acronyms

We are republishing this Water Words from last year, as this particular topic got a lot of positive feedback, and it's always good to be refreshed. The topic: All of these Auroville "water groups" (and subsequent acronyms). Let's get clear. There are three major entities in the area of water presently in Auroville: Auroville Water Service (AWS), Pour Tous Water (PTW), and the Water Group (WG). The AWS is located at the Elephant Towers, in a quaint little building with a painting of Father Water on it, streaming beard and all. This team takes care of distribution, or getting water to you. They know all about pipes and slopes and flows. Then there's PTW. They're based at Abri, and are predominantly in charge of infrastructure maintenance. They know about bore wells and pumps, valves and plumbing works. And then there's the WG, based at CSR, formed in September 2016 looking at the long-term water management strategy for Auroville, consulting on various water issues, and aiming to raise the water literacy of all of us. Do the three groups collaborate? We try, and things are getting better.

Comments? Questions? Contact us: watergroup@auroville.org.in.



Water Group

(Aditi, Bala, Christian, Dorle, Giulio, Ing-Marie, Jeanne, Meera, Pavneet, Tency, Tom)

www.aurovillewater.in / gis.auroville.org.in

ACCOMMODATIONS

Needed 1: Hello, I am Parthipan, from Kottakkarai. I am a Newcomer and working full time at New Pour Tous (PTDC). My wife is a teacher, and we are looking for a place to stay as soon as possible. Any duration would be good, we would be happy with even one month. My contact number is: [8098740882](tel:8098740882), email: parthippanbala.34@gmail.com. Thank you!

Needed 2: I am looking to house sit for 2 to 3 months. I can take care of your plants, prefer no pet care. I look forward to speaking with you. Thank you, *Malcolm* - m1975we@yahoo.com

AVAILABLE

Auroville Library of Things (ALoT), an initiative by earth&us, at the container opposite PTDC: borrow tools, toys, kitchenware, travelling & hiking gear at your convenience. alot@auroville.org.in. **NOW ONLINE!** aurotot.myturn.com/library/inventory/browse

Flight case for acoustic guitar: Hard shell black case with plush green lining, lock and key. Fits any brand of acoustic guitar. Used several times for international flights, so some minor cosmetic marks, but still in great condition over all. Contact Matthew m.b.tildesley@gmail.com.

Half-time housework position: Looking for an Amma, six half-days in the afternoon. Basic English is mandatory. Please contact Yoffi at [9159897780](tel:9159897780).

Available at CSR: 1) a Solar photovoltaic Hybrid inverter, Swelect model, 3 kW, 48 VDC - 2) a laptop Fujitsu. All details available at CSR office [0413-2622168](tel:0413-2622168).

Sweet friendly kittens:

Our kittens are ready to be adopted. If you want a friendly cat please contact Pooja [7639404518](tel:7639404518) for more details!



LOOKING FOR

Household things: Dear community members, we are looking for a fridge, a washing machine and a bed. Any suggestions are welcome! Thank you! Our Contact is nadia@auroville.org.in, phone [9487194924](tel:9487194924). *Nadia, Clapton and Laila*

2nd-hand ladies cycle: Contact premshakti@auroville.org.in, [9489244823](tel:9489244823). With love and gratitude, *Prem Shakti*

Looking for people with snakes: dear community, my name is Lukas, I would like to meet someone who has snakes in his/her house, that I can hold in my hands and give hugs to. Please send me a whatsapp message ([+4917666648035](tel:+4917666648035)), thanks! *Lukas*

Mobile Phone: Hello, I am in need of a new phone, so if anyone has a phone that they are not using that they would like to get rid of, please contact: jack.kauschi@gmail.com Thanks, *Jack*

LOST & FOUND

Auromic green cap (Found): on the last day of rain, in between Ami and the Vegan Restaurant. Call *Marcela* : mgm23@yahoo.com.ar. Amy Guest House.

Young male dog (Found): light tan color, with orange collar -- in Djaima. Please call [8940227926](tel:8940227926) if it's yours, as we're not able to keep it. *Joy*



TAXI SHARING

Auroville service of taxi sharing available with STS at: <http://sharedtransport.auroville.org/> (an initiative by earth&us)

June 20th: Chennai Airport pick up at 4 am on the 20th of June. Sharing is possible either way. I can be contacted at: svetgalina@list.ru Thanks, *Galina*.

June 20th: I will leave for Chennai airport around 6pm from Surrender community, if you are interested in sharing a taxi pls. contact me either by email sylviazzi2000@yahoo.co.in or on my landline [0413-2622649](tel:0413-2622649). *Sylvia / Surrender*. PS: I will leave with the LH flight 579 which leaves at 1.50am (on 21/06) and am quite flexible about the leaving time but not later than 7.30pm.

July 3rd: Leaving Invocation at 3pm, for Chennai National Airport. Sharing available both ways. Please call [+91-9443790661](tel:+91-9443790661). *Ann R.*

Week's Happenings

There are 2 useful online calendars of events in Auroville:
- **Online Auroville Events Calendar** - (no need to log in for guests! - just scroll down the page) The schedule of events for the week can be accessed by all, including Guests and Visitors, on the Auroton login page: www.auroville.org.in
- **Auroville Art Service:** artservice.auroville.org/calendar/

AT THE MATRIMANDIR



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri

read by Mother to Sunil's music

Every THURSDAY - 6.00 to 6.30 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 No Photos and do not to use your cell phones, cameras, i-pads, etc.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you - No photos there. Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 pm

Please be seated by 5.55 pm, no late entry.

Thank you, *Amphitheatre Team*

AMPHITHEATER - MATRIMANDIR

on Sunday June 24th - 6.30 to 7.30 pm
(weather permitting)

we will sing Mother's mantra
"Om Namō Bhagavatē"

with *Joy and Jivatman* (guitar) to guide the chanting.
To make it easier for new people to learn the melodic cycle
in which the mantra is composed,
Joy and Jivatman will sing it a few times right at the beginning;
after which everyone is encouraged and welcome to join in.
But one can also just be there....

Please take your torch light for the steps. No photos please.
Dear Guests, please carry your *Aurocard* and note that the
gardens (like for the Thursday meditation) is open only for this
moment at the amphitheatre.
Amphitheatre Team

INVITATIONS

Sourcing Our Oneness Gathering Nainital 23-30 September, 2018



Dear Aurovilians and New comers,

We invite you to participate in this year's
Sourcing Our Oneness gathering in Nainital
that will take place 23-30 September 2018
with arrival on 23 September afternoon
and departure on 30th of September.

This is an event bringing together participants from Auroville,
Auroville International, Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Sri Aurobindo
Ashram - Delhi Branch, Sri Aurobindo Society, The Golden Chain
Fraternity, World Union, Sri Aurobindo's Action, Sri Aurobindo
Centre for Advanced Research (SACAR), Sri Aurobindo
Association USA, and other organizations and individuals related
to the work of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo.

Through the Sourcing our Oneness events over these last three
years, we explored the application of Integral Yoga in our lives
at a collective level. In 2016, we saw that Sri Aurobindo's Five
Dreams motivate the work and approaches of all our
organizations, uniting us in essence and action to work for the
full manifestation of Sri Aurobindo and Mother's work. This year,
which is celebrating the 50th year of the Founding of Auroville,
we will focus on the fifth dream: "*The final dream was a step
in evolution which would raise man to a higher and larger
consciousness and begin the solution of the problems which
have perplexed and vexed him since he first began to think
and to dream of individual perfection and a perfect society.*"
As always, we will work together, mingling youth of all ages in a
playful and collaborative atmosphere. Offering all our faculties
and talents to explore as well as build on the work done, we will
take steps towards deepening understanding and collaborating
at all levels to further this work for the fulfillment of the aims
and ideals of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother.

For application form and further information, please contact:
sourcingouroneness@auroville.org.in

With Love&Gratitude,
The Auroville Organizing Team

Sustainable Livelihood Institute
in collaboration with Bharat Nivas
welcome you all to



International Yoga Day

Thursday, 21st June 2018
7.30 to 8.30 am

Progress Hall
(situated behind SAWCHU
- old Library round building)
Bharat Nivas - Auroville
[9943464311](tel:9943464311) / programme@tnavsl.in / bharatnivas@auroville.org.in

EXHIBITIONS

Meditations on Savitri

The newly extended picture gallery at Savitri Bhavan
will be opened on

Thursday June 21 at 10 am

by *Shri M.V. Chunkath*

Secretary, Auroville Foundation

Thereafter the entire series of 472 *Meditations on Savitri* pictures
created by the Mother with Huta from 1961-67
will be on display Monday to Saturday, 9-5pm

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Kalakendra Art Gallery presents:

"The Dawn of Auroville"

- A rare photo exhibition on the early history of Auroville.

The Dawn of Auroville



All are welcome!

It is a repeat show,

for those who missed viewing it in Feb-March 2018.

Opening hours: 9 to 5 pm. Sundays closed.

The Exhibition is occupying part of the gallery space
and it will be on till early September 2018.

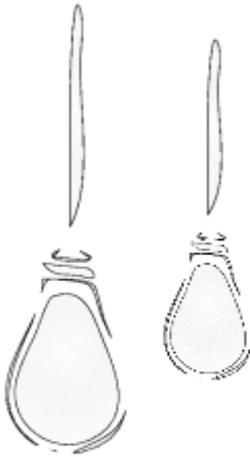
The Weekly Talks/sharing by Aurovilians and members of the
Ashram on the Early Days of Auroville's Foundation Ceremony
will not take place in June due to the heat
and many people being out of station.

These sessions will resume from Tuesday 10th July 2018.

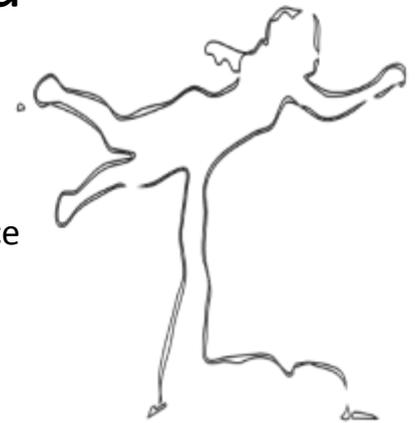
For those who are interested to offer
Art Exhibitions/Workshops/Talks at Kalakendra:
please write to: bharatnivas@auroville.org.in
The Bharat Nivas Cultural Group

Bharat Nivas
invites you
to

'Interlude in the Bed'



a dream in dance and colour
a contemporary multimedia experience
offered by



Light and Visual Design
Vinay Khare

Choreography and Dance
Priyanka, Surya, Pooja, Dibya, Anwasha

Wednesday, 20th June 2018

Time: **8 pm**, Duration: **40 minutes**

Sri Aurobindo Auditorium

Bharat Nivas, Auroville



Recently graduated from the Sri Aurobindo International Centre of Education, Pondicherry, the artists offer the findings of their explorations and experimentations in a condensed immersive experience that takes themselves and the audience together as travelers on a voyage.

The journey traces five dreamers who, once asleep, wake in to a strange new light, and are transported to mysterious, curious, and joyous regions. They travel up, down, sideways, and under, and encounter their limitations, their strengths, and one another.

Contact:

bharatnivas@auroville.org.in

vinaykhare25@gmail.com

priyankabardhan@gmail.com

For more information on the artist: vinayk.portfoliobox.net

SCHEDULES



Creative Fridays: FRIDAYS 5 to 7 pm. At CREEVA (Centre for Research, Education and Experience in the Visual Arts) in the Creativity Studio/Atelier
Good news: Helgard is replaced by Marie Claire for the month of June.

Come, experience and enjoy the colours. An engaging and meditative process to help you express yourselves more freely. Please come in time, in non-fragile clothes! Free for Aurovilians and Newcomers. Contribution for Guest, and reduced for Volunteers. Please contact in advance: Please call in advance: Marie-Claire [0413-2622762](tel:0413-2622762) / [+919843335572](tel:+919843335572)

FILMS

THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, June 22nd, Friday.

Schedule of Events:

16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour
16:30 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
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!

**Note: Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 19:00 :)

Global Cities:

46 mins / 2017 / English / Directed by: Complexity Labs
The rise of urban networks is linked to a much broader set of social, economic and technological transformations taking place in the global economy today. This documentary explores this changing landscape and the development of urban networks as the emerging geography of connectivity in an age of globalization.

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at (0413) 2677682 or 2677683 or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in.

Or visit us online:

sadhanaforest.org / [facebook.com/sadhanaforest](https://www.facebook.com/sadhanaforest)

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Thursday June 21st, 6.30pm: *The Yoga of the Earth*

On International Yoga Day we will show a new version of 'About Savitri', produced by Savitri Bhavan in 2016. The meditative film gives unique insights into the past and the future of our earth. Duration: 32min.

**** The News&Notes is available for all to download ****
from the Auroville website at
<http://www.auroville.org/contents/4186>
The Regular Events at
<http://www.auroville.org/contents/4187>
The archives are found at
<http://www.auroville.org/contents/186>

Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions or cancellations: Tuesday 5pm)
The contents of News & Notes are a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of harmony, goodwill, discipline and truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.

How to submit material: Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent (in English only) to the N&N email address (below).

Please try your best to send your announcements, reports, film schedules whenever they are ready.

The Tuesday deadline (5pm) is absolute as the News

Any modifications of the submitted News items have to be sent to the editors before Tuesday 5pm.

We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Wednesdays and Thursdays due to work pressure.

Articles for the Notes section should ideally be no longer than 500 words. All articles and reports need to reach us by Tuesday noon.

Visiting hours: On appointment only.

Disclaimer: The views expressed on these pages are those of their respective authors or work groups and do not represent the position of the editors or of the community as a whole. The News & Notes serves as a channel for the publication of material coming from trusted sources within Auroville. The editors cannot be held accountable for any alleged misinformation given or offence caused. In case of any dispute, the Auroville Council may be consulted and publishing of disputed material suspended.

News & Notes, Media Centre, Town Hall. Phone: [0413-2622133](tel:0413-2622133), email: newsandnotes@auroville.org.in

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Auroville Emergency Contact Numbers

- Save them in your phone now!

→ Auroville Safety and Security Team: [9443090107](tel:9443090107)
(Email: avsecurity@auroville.org.in)

→ Ambulance: - Auroville: [9442224680](tel:9442224680)
- Pims: [0413-2656271](tel:0413-2656271)

→ Farewell: mobile number: [8903836246](tel:8903836246) - reachable 24/7
→ Indian ambulance emergencies: 108

REMINDER TO ALL GUESTS from The Guest Facilities Coordination Group - Guest Registration Service-

ALL GUESTS in Auroville (including Indian nationals and foreigners as well as friends and family members of Aurovilians) are required by Indian law and Auroville regulations to register within 24 hours of their arrival.

In addition, guests are required to register each time they move to a new destination in Auroville.

The Auroville Guest Registration Service operates at 3 locations:

- Visitors Centre - at the far end of the Expo Hall (big white building on the left), opposite Dreamer's Cafe - All days 9:30-12:30 and 2:00-5:00
- Town Hall - reception area - Monday-Saturday 9:30-12:30 and 2:00-4:30
- Aspiration - Financial Service office left side - Monday-Saturday 9:00-12:30