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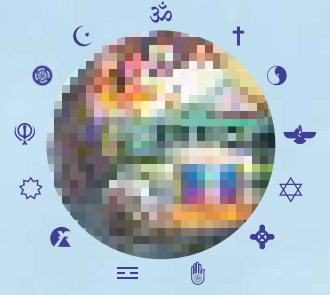
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*In Quest of  
World Peace!*

*Our Inspiration*

**The Great Noble Son of India  
Swami Vivekananda**

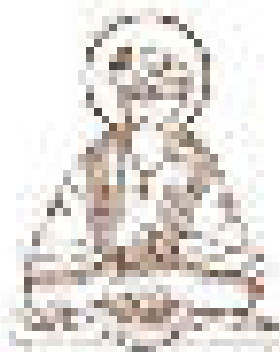
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Vishwadharmi  
**Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad**

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May the **darkness** of ignorance disappear,  
 may the **darkness** of the lack of **self-consciousness**.

— Buddha's Sermon, Dhammapadam



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**Union of Science and Religion** alone  
 will bring **peace** to the people of the **humanity**.

— Swami Vivekananda

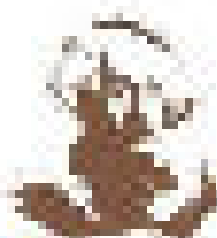
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**Science** without the help of **religion**  
 is just **other science is blind**.

— Albert Einstein



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## From Spirituality...



**Philosopher Saint  
Shree Dnyaneshwara**

दुरिताचे तिमिर जावो । विश्व स्वधर्मसूर्ये पाहो ।  
जो जें वांछील तो तें लाहो । प्राणिजात ॥



**Philosopher Jagadguru  
Saint Shree Tukaram**

शांतिपरतें नाही सुख । येर अवघेचि दुःख ॥  
म्हणुनी शांति धरा । उतराल पैलतीरा ॥



...to Science



**Dr. Albert Einstein**

*The trust further identifies itself with  
Albert Einstein's assertion  
"I believe in God,  
who reveals himself in the orderly harmony of  
the universe, and I believe that intelligence is  
manifested throughout mother nature."*

*The great saints, sages, seers and  
scientists of the world  
have always a common goal i.e.  
Welfare of the entire Humanity.*



**Mahatma Gandhi**  
**A Great Messenger of Peace**

*(Celebrating 150th Birth Anniversary)*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Friends,

You are fully aware that the entire world is passing through a tense and chaotic stage, even worse than what was experienced during the two world wars. The present one is also a war - war between good and evil, sacrifice and greed, virtues and vices, tolerance and stubbornness, religious co-existence and fundamentalism, traditional time-tested values and quick gains and ego, and so on. The various issues involved are not only local, i.e. restricted to one's own country, but are global as well.

*The world is witnessing mind-boggling scientific and industrial developments like artificial intelligence, internet, IT, digital technology, robotics, journey to the outer space and what not on the one hand, and on the other, unfortunately, there is total chaos, confusion, suspicion, terrorism, bloodshed, violence and massacre in the name of caste, creed, race, religion and trifle issues like boundaries of nations. The family system, which is vital for the survival of mankind, is also on the rocks.*

The industrialized and technologically advanced society should have helped in preserving the human values apart from providing the materialistic gains and achieving sustainable development. Even though the present scientific innovations and technological advancements have converted this world of ours into a global village on the face of it, the hearts and minds have drifted far apart with deep valleys and barriers being created between man and man, one nation and the other, one religion and the other, and between different races, castes and communities.

Friends,

it is again because of the erosion of the time-tested ethical and moral human value system, we have forgotten our ethos, culture and traditions. The human spirit and approach is missing. The most unfortunate part of it is that this is taking place with a highly developed education system carefully devised by the great thinkers, philosophers, academicians, scholars and scientists.

However, in spite of the highest level of research, innovations and technological developments in all the areas of Science as well as material wealth and

luxuries for the wellbeing of mankind, it has been observed the world over, that the highest level of anxiety, depression, nervousness, frustration, mental trauma, melancholy, feeling of deep sorrow, loneliness, etc. are still prevalent and in fact, are increasing day by day. This is mainly because of the absence of mental peace due to the negative mindset of people and lack of adherence to spiritual/religious pursuits like Yoga, Meditation, Chanting, Namaz, Prayer, etc.

***Need to understand the 'Chemistry of Mind'***



**Vishwadharmi**  
**Prof. Dr. VISHWANATH D. KARAD**  
President, World Parliament of  
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Friends, mind, matter, spirit and consciousness are the four most important components to understand the mechanism / system of the functioning of this universe. Naturally, along with the BRAIN, the MIND plays the most important role. It has been observed that despite the tremendous scientific research and advancement about the physical aspects of the human body, the composition of mind, the way it functions and what, if any, is the chemistry or the chemical formula that makes up the mind, is still unknown. This is the grand challenge for all of the worlds' Education and Research Institutions including the best Universities!

The values of the bygone era, which have helped the PLANET EARTH to sustain over the ages, are missing. Once the value system is missing, then there is no difference between human beings and other living beings. The future will depend upon the decisions and actions we will take today. It could be either peace, tranquillity and prosperity or global conflict, disaster and destruction with the survival of human race at stake.

### ***Why this World Parliament of Science, Religion and Philosophy?***

Friends, with this background, it is high time that the learned Scholars, Thinkers, Academicians, Philosophers, Scientists and Men of Religion / Spirituality should come together to evolve a ***VALUE BASED UNIVERSAL EDUCATION SYSTEM*** with an appropriate component of Science and Religion / Spirituality to establish and develop a ***HOLISTIC PEACE-LOVING HARMONIOUS GLOBAL SOCIETY***.

Looking at the prevailing disturbing scenario all over the world, it is imperative that we carry out introspection, search where we have gone wrong and decide about the measures, that can help in setting the things right. It requires sincere efforts and firm action by all the right thinking knowledgeable people without any further loss of time. Any further delay will make the process irreversible and whatever rot has set in, will get perpetuated.

***Education and Training – the only way to develop***

### ***'Positive Mindset'***

As enunciated by the Great Noble Son of India - Swami Vivekananda, "Education is a manifestation of pure intelligence and of the perfection already in man", and is obviously closely related with the proper understanding of the Role of Science and Spirituality/Religion for the wellbeing of the entire Mankind.

The main thrust of Education, in addition to providing inputs by way of knowledge and information, should be in developing purity of mind, purity of thought and purity in each and every action of life, ***which are basic for establishing a holistic global society. The main purpose of education is to develop the "WINNING PERSONALITY" of the Student, who shall be Physically Fit, Mentally Alert, Intellectually Sharp and Spiritually Elevated, so that he will be able to contribute his might for the wellbeing and welfare of the society at large.***

It is high time that we take a note of the words of wisdom spoken by the world famous scientist Dr. Albert Einstein, who had said that "Science without Religion (Spirituality) is lame, while Religion without Science is blind."

Friends, remember, these words of wisdom are spoken by none other than one of the greatest scientists the world has ever seen, who propounded the theory of RELATIVITY and put forward the concept of GOD PARTICLE - the smallest of the small, but most energetic and beautiful particles of the Universe, which is the manifestation of pure intelligence and consciousness and encompasses the entire universe!

Friends, I would like to state very assertively that these very concepts were also propounded by the Great Philosopher Saints of India like Philosopher Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara of the 13th Century and Philosopher Saint Shree Tukaram of the 17th Century.

On the same lines, Dr. Albert Einstein also made a highly revealing and visionary statement that "I believe in God, who reveals himself in the orderly harmony of the universe and I further believe that

intelligence is manifested throughout Mother Nature", which amply clarifies the very essence and philosophy behind Science and Religion / Spirituality.

I am glad to put before you the following verse, the very first Ovi of DNYANESHWARI written by Philosopher Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara at the young age of 16 years, which has made a lasting impression on my mind and has set me forth on my life's mission to promote the Culture of Peace in the World through appropriate understanding of the Role of Science and Spirituality/Religion and the very Essence and Philosophy of all the World Religions.

*ॐ नमोजी आद्या । वेद प्रतिपाद्या ॥ जय जय स्वसंवेद्या ॥ आत्मरूपा ॥*

This verse very distinctly speaks about Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara's own purpose of writing this treatise on Geeta, i.e. Dnyaneshwari, and says that he wants to clearly know and understand the "Ultimate Truth" – "The Ultimate Reality" – "The Ultimate State of Matter" as enunciated in the Vedas. He further states that the "Ultimate Truth" is nothing but pure intelligence / consciousness, the Knowledge Divine, the true nature of the Soul – Atman.

Similarly, I would also like to put it on record that many other great saints, sages, seers and scientists of India and the world over, including those like Philosopher Saint Francis of Assisi (Italy), Galileo Galilei and Isaac Newton have made a tremendous impact on my mind and have helped me in trying to understand and realize the True Nature of the Self.

Friends, I would like to bring to your notice that the journey from Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara to Dr. Albert Einstein is a long one in time and space. However, the very philosophical and scientific narrations revealed in Dnyaneshwari in the form of Ovis / Verses equally reflect the very principles and laws of MOTHER NATURE and LIFE, which are enunciated through

equations like  $E = MC^2$ , the concept of GOD PARTICLE and various formulae of Mathematics and Physics.

### ***Need for Revamping the present Education System***

The reasons for war lie in the frailty of human mind and the darker side of human character, which includes ego, greed, lust, hatred, jealousy, anger, absence of any feelings or emotions and disregard for humans and other living beings and complexes arising out of these vicious human traits. Some of these vices get manifested in a big way when individuals become the mob, led by egoistic leaders with selfish motives, which indulges in all sorts of mindless brutal acts of violence and destruction.

### ***Has the present education system been able to address these issues? Apparently not!***

If we have to usher in an era of peace, love and harmony for a long time to come, then we have to tackle the problem right at the root. This involves changing the mindset of an individual. This needs to be done right from the childhood at home and in school. Violence and incidences of shootouts witnessed in the schools in the most advanced country like USA and other parts of the world are an eye opener.

All these aspects point to the fact that basically there is something which is lacking in our education system. Otherwise, why is it that in spite of the mind-boggling scientific advances, technological developments along with the most luxurious commodities for a life of leisure and pleasure and progress in informatics, such acts at the levels of an individual, society, state and international, should continue to take place unabated?

"Since war begins in the minds of men, it's in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed." – (UNESCO Constitution)

Friends, if we address the mind and guide it on the



right path, then in turn we will be sensitizing the society, so as to strive and act to establish global peace. Obviously this clearly points to the necessity of changing the mindset, so that people can think rationally without getting emotional, which many times results in violence of all sorts. This will enable us to control the violence and avert the war, thus eliminating any need of costly and harmful defence mechanisms required to combat any conflicts, the possibility of occurrence of which will be very remote in such a holistic peace-loving global society. Thus, simultaneously, we will be acting on the national as well as the global front in achieving our objective. It is, therefore, necessary to revamp the present education system by incorporating the time-tested human values and evolve a VALUE BASED UNIVERSAL EDUCATION SYSTEM.

Each Nation has its own history, geography, culture and traditions; but the time-tested human values are the same for all.

My Dear Learned Friends from across the world, it is now incumbent upon you to come forward and utilize all your energy, strength, intelligence, knowledge and wisdom, in formulating a UNIVERSAL EDUCATION SYSTEM which is based on time-tested Human Values and which will transcend all the boundaries of caste, creed, religion, gender and nationality and will certainly help to promote the noble cause of achieving the wellbeing of entire humanity.

In short, the VALUE BASED UNIVERSAL EDUCATION SYSTEM with an appropriate understanding of the Role of Science and Spirituality will greatly help in achieving the objectives of this WORLD PARLIAMENT.

Friends, I am very glad to put it on record that the greatest scientists, saints, sages and philosophers from across the world are today evolving a new vision based on the appropriate understanding of the concept of Science and Spirituality/Religion that  $\gamma$  Aum –  $E = MC^2$ . Thus, demonstrating the futuristic model of the education system, which

will be a fusion of SCIENCE, SPIRITUALITY AND DIVINITY. This new philosophy, based on the principle of Non-duality is now being adopted in many of the highly reputed Global Universities like Stanford, Oxford and Harvard.

Here, I would like to conclude by quoting the following verse from ATHARVA VEDA, which in very simple words illustrates the concept of "VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM" – THE WORLD AS ONE FAMILY – GLOBAL VILLAGE.



### **FELLOWSHIP**

*We are the birds of the same nest  
We may wear different skins  
We may speak different tongues  
We may believe in different religions  
We may belong to different cultures  
Yet, we share the same home, Earth  
Born on the same planet  
Covered by the same skies  
Gazing at the same stars  
Breathing the same air  
We must learn to progress together  
Or, miserably perish together  
For a person can live individually  
But, can only survive collectively*

**-ATHARVA VEDA**



## FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

Progress of humanity as a whole is intimately linked with the progress of human thoughts, belief systems and world views. During the recorded history of the last 11,000 years or so, many civilizations, religions and world views emerged and shaped the world as we live in today. With the passage of time, we witnessed the arrival of many messengers of divinity, seekers of truth and creators of future. On one side, we see the history of the world as a chronicle of conflicts, battles and wars including world wars, and on the other side as flights of human search for truth, non-violence, wisdom and peace. It has been a long long journey ever since the thinking man started walking on planet Earth. It is now time we take cognizance of our progress and get prepared for facing the long journey with potential possibilities of progress and perils that lie ahead.

According to the Gregorian calendar, we are now living in the 21st century. Human population has already crossed 7 billion, close to 7.6 billion people in 2018, according to world population clock, residing in close to 200 countries adhering to many religious groups and ethnicities. Indeed the rise of religions and religious groups have shaped human thought, belief and culture in a dominant way. Faith in God or divinity is a dominant behavioural and cultural trend of humanity even today. While religions and their spiritual underpinnings have enlightened humans, religious identities have given rise to great conflicts, battles and wars that led to untold sufferings.

Simultaneously, with faith in divinity in the form of both, monotheistic and polytheistic religions, there has been incessant search for truth to understand the nature of reality which gave rise to what is called "science" or search for valid knowledge based on our innate instruments of knowledge. Although modern science is only 500 years old, science had a long history ever since



**Dr. Vijay P. Bhatkar**

Chairman, Organizing Committee  
World famous Computer Scientist  
Chancellor, Nalanda University

humans began the process of curiosity, enquiry, experimentation and development. It must be admitted that it is the rise of science and technology that has transformed the world like never before. Today the pace of development of science and technology has assumed such a speed that discoverers and inventors themselves are unable to anticipate the impact of devices, artefacts, and technologies they are creating. As a result of this, the world in which we are living is characterized by ever increasing speed of change, complexity and uncertainty.

Along with these developments in religion and science, humans have been searching for underlying thoughts and truths which give rise to philosophies. Philosophy is a larger concept encompassing both science and religion. In a way it looks at reality encompassing physical, biological, psychological, social and spiritual dimensions. Many scholars, from Vedic seers to Greek philosophers to modern scientists have shaped our world views and thought processes through the philosophies they advanced.

To take cognisance of science, religion and philosophy today in the 21st century, we are organizing a World Parliament of Science, Religion and Philosophy in the city of Pune, which is known as the educational and cultural capital of India,

which is a home to a spectrum of schools and universities, spiritual and religious centres, and social and cultural societies.

To this World Parliament, we have invited over 100 distinguished scientists, religious leaders and philosophers along with people from the fields of arts and culture. These will include Nobel Laureates, Bharat Ratna and Padma Awardees and several highly accomplished persons of great merit, decorated with national and international awards and medals in their respective fields. This World Parliament will be one of the largest congregations of thought leaders of recent times. We expect over 3,500 people including several thousand students to join this congregation.

The most exhilarating event of the World Parliament is going to be the Public Dedication of World Peace Library and Prayer Hall, which has been named after Philosopher Saint Dnyaneshwara, who enunciated 'Dnyaneshwari', a poetic composition of 9033 verses, which is regarded as the most profound commentary on Bhagavad Gita. In Dnyaneshwari meaning, Knowledge Divine, Dnyaneshwara defines Science as the knowledge of the phenomenal world and Spirituality as the knowledge of the Self and ignorance as believing Science itself is complete knowledge. In this World Parliament, we are advocating the synthesis of Science and Religion/Spirituality as a Philosophy for the enlightenment of entire Humanity to achieve abiding Peace and we are proposing the adoption of 'Pasaydan' Saint Dnyaneshwara's prayer for World Peace, as the Universal Anthem for the entire world as one nation.

This World Parliament is organized into eleven sessions on different aspects of Science, Religion and Philosophy which will be addressed by world's celebrated scientists, religious leaders and philosophers.

Seven hundred years ago, Saint Dnyaneshwara, at the age of 16 years, had declared the whole world as one family. Further he went on to say, not only the whole world as a family but that he is steadfast in this state of mind. And further he himself has become all living and non-living beings of the universe. This, in essence, was re-enunciation of the Vedic canonical verses explaining the nature of reality. The World Parliament will reflect on these truths from scientific, religious and philosophical perspectives and elicit or educe the wisdom for attaining world peace.

The World Parliament will witness perhaps one of the largest congregation of recent times of scientists, religious leaders and philosophers from several countries across the world. It will make a clarion call for harmony across religions and philosophies and integration with the contemporary scientific thought of one in many and many in one that is emerging out of latest explorations in quantum reality. It will call for a grand unification of science and spirituality for the progress of humanity together. Now, with the advancements in nuclear technologies and impacts on climate change, there is only one future for the entire humanity, either we progress together or else perish together. The choice is ours.

Wishing you an illuminating experience during the World Parliament that is taking place in World Peace Centre of MIT from October 2 to October 5, 2018, in the city of Pune.



## FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAIRMAN, ADVISORY COMMITTEE



### **Dr. R. A. Mashelkar, FRS**

World Famous Scientist &  
Research Scholar

Although modern science is just 500 years old, the progress it has made in just last 10 years outpaces all that has been done in remaining years. It is not the change, not the rate of change but rate of acceleration of change that is spectacular. The progress in quality of life due to progress in science and technology is remarkable. Take health for example. Moving from curative to predictive to preventive to regenerative medicine means the longevity has increased. But quality of life does not just depend on the enhanced quality of physical health that modern science gives us. It depends on health of the mind. If there is no peace, if the fear of living in a VUCA world, meaning volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous world, keeps us on the edge all the time, then what quality of life are we talking about? And where does this volatility come from. It comes from rapidly rising inequalities, fundamentalism, intolerance, terrorism, relentless massacres in the name of race, religion and caste and so on. It comes from the rapid erosion of values.

On this backdrop, holding this World Parliament of Science, Religion and Philosophy is a unique event in our history. Incredible assembly of some of world's greatest thought leaders - be they academicians, scientists, philosophers, men of religion, men of spirituality - is the special

highlight of this unique event. This global meeting of minds and hearts will lead to the roadmap for creating holistic peace loving harmonious global society, which is the dire need of the hour. It will show us the path towards value based universal education, which will provide the foundation for creating such a global society, which is also the need of the hour.

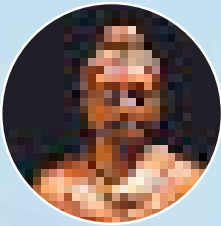
I am associated with MIT since 1983. I have seen how under the dynamic and visionary leadership of Prof. Vishwanath Karad, MIT has evolved into a MIT World Peace University, continuously advocating the culture of peace.

World Parliament of Science, Religion and Philosophy is a pinnacle of this pioneering thoughtful leadership. It makes it special for two other reasons. The parliament is being held in Pune, the cultural and education capital of India. Also it is being held on 2 October, which is the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the timeless inspirator, who was the greatest messenger of peace in the 20th Century. The Parliament is going to be an exhilarating and historical moment – setting the agenda for a better world, not for some privileged few, but seven billion people of the world.

# May Peace Prevail on Earth

Friends,

For centuries, some of the greatest saints, sages, philosophers, statesmen have appealed to the people to follow the path of Peace. These are the Makers of the World who have worked ceaselessly for the Welfare of the Mankind.



*“Those who are free of **resentful** thoughts shall find **Peace**.”*

*- Tathagat Gautam Buddha*

*“**Anger** is the enemy of **non-violence** and **pride** is a **monster** that swallows it up.”*

*- Mahatma Gandhi*

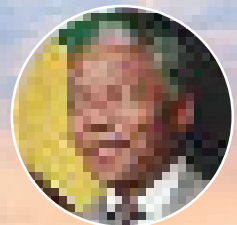


*“**Ballots** are the rightful and **peaceful** successors to **bullets**.”*

*- Abraham Lincoln*

*“If you want to make **peace with your enemy**, you have to **work with your enemy**. Then he becomes your partner.”*

*- Nelson Mandela*

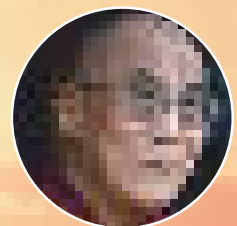


*“I believe that **unarmed truth** and **unconditional love** will have the final word.”*

*Martin Luther King Jr.*

*“My religion is very simple. My religion is **Kindness**.”*

*- Dalai Lama*



*“Peace begins with a smile.”*

*-Mother Teresa*



Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara

World Peace Library & World Peace Prayer Hall

# Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara World Peace Library & World Peace Prayer Hall

Diameter: 160 feet | Height: 263 feet



*Actual site photograph | Vishwarajbaug*



# PHILOSOPHER SAINT SHRI DNYANESHWARA WORLD PEACE LIBRARY & WORLD PEACE PRAYER HALL:

## *The Concept and the Philosophy -*

MIT's endeavor of blending modern education with the time-tested universal human values continues unabated. Furthering this objective, the largest dome in the world constructed at the picturesque MIT campus in Vishwarajbaug, Loni Kalbhor, Pune houses the Philosopher Sant Dnyaneshwara World Peace Library and World Peace Prayer Hall. Standing tall in Vishwarajbaug, Loni is the superlative monument that is impressive for numerous reasons.

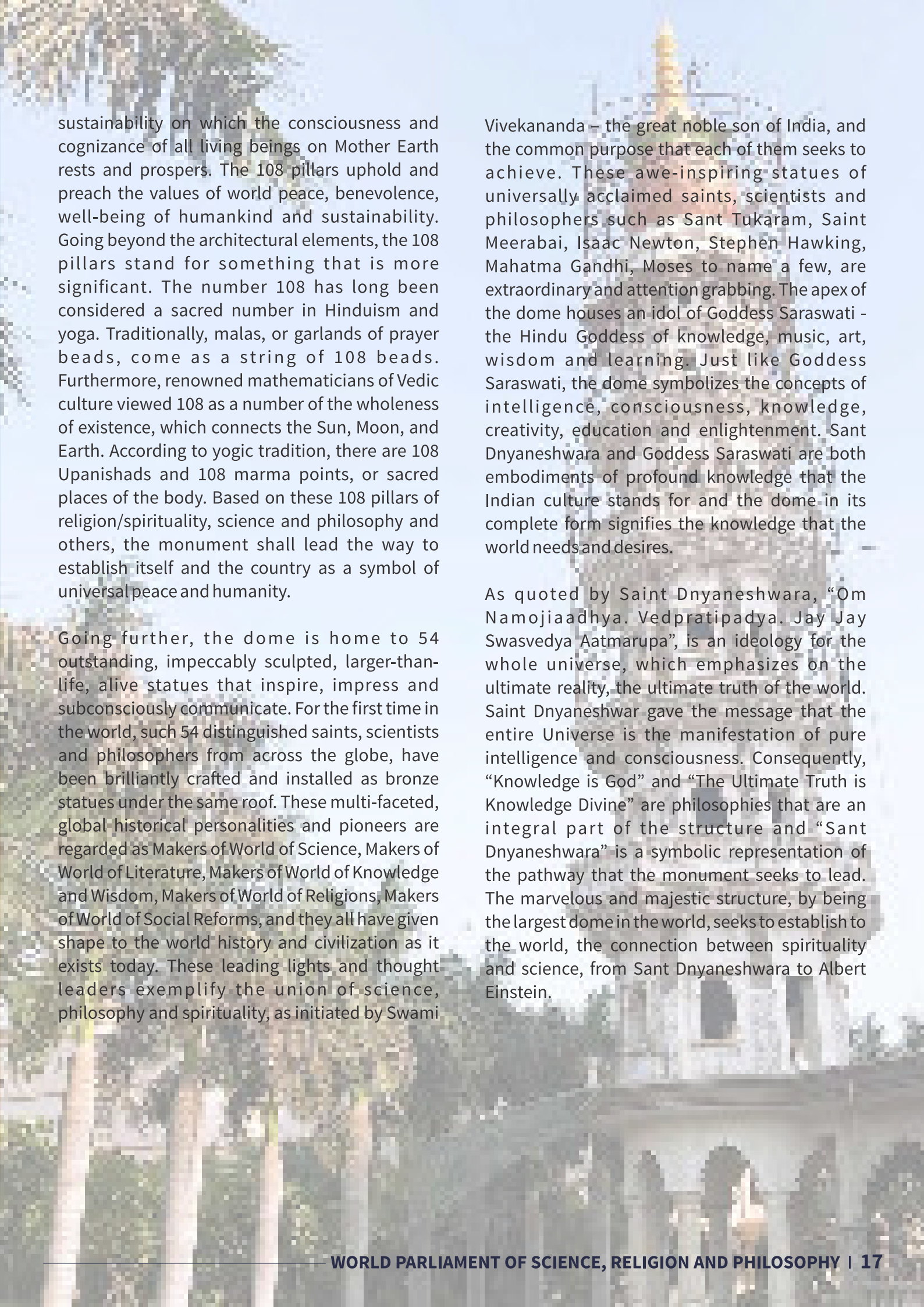
The brainchild of Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad, the Philosopher Sant Dnyaneshwara World Peace Library and World Peace Prayer Hall is an epitome of architectural magnificence and is a contribution towards the Knowledge Divine. Conceptualized, designed, planned and accomplished under the headship of Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad, the monument is sure to make a lasting impression on the world landscape and become a global marvel. A stalwart of virtue and intellectual brilliance, Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad is an extraordinary persona in the truest sense – an engineer and scientist by qualification, a leader and visionary by value system, an orator and thinker by experience and an architect and designer by passion.

*Presently known to be the largest dome in the world, the remarkable monument has a diameter of 160 feet. With only 24 pillars as the foundation, the structure can accommodate more than 3,000 people at any given time.* Connecting back to the philosophy of Philosopher Sant Dnyaneshwara that the world we live in and perceive is not merely an illusion, but a manifestation of the ultimate reality/ the truth – the Almighty God, that lies beyond the perception of senses and the grasp of logic, the dome is an enlightened edifice in entirety.

*The dome houses a library at the base and a prayer hall above, with 54 bronze statues of revered*

*scholars, saints, scientists, philosophers and gurus. The library covers an unbelievable expanse of 62,500 sq. ft. and is a testament of the knowledge and wisdom that India as a country holds and disseminates.* The center of the dome houses the meditation center, from where all the divine energy and positivity emanates. Eight grand pillars at the core represent the life-sustaining and enriching systems that propagate the core values of life and existence such as Yoga, Vipassana, Namaaz, Prayer etc. The meditation center is designed with a purpose to scientifically balance the seven chakras of the human body and align the self with the universal forces that drive the mind, soul and entire existence. This is because the life force, or 'prana', that moves inside of everybody is spinning and rotating. This spinning energy has seven centers in the body, called 'chakras' starting at the base of the spine and moving towards the crown of the head. In a healthy, balanced person, the seven chakras provide exactly the right amount of energy to every part of the body, mind and spirit, synchronizing the body with the higher universal forces. The ensuing 12 pillars symbolize the religious duty that humans abide by – duty towards the mother, father, family, society, the Nation and the world. They represent the 12 major religions that have thrived and transformed the world – Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Judaism, Zoroastrianism, Baha'i, Taoism, Shintoism and Confucianism. *This superlative monument envisioned by Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad conveys to the world the message of peace, divinity and integrity and depicts the Vedic principle of 'Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam' (The World is One Family).* Going further, the next 24 pillars represent sciences that define and steer life, including Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Geography, etc. Beyond these fundamental pillars, stand tall the pillars that embolden holistic living and all-inclusive growth such as the domains of music, drama, art, culture, etc. All these imposing pillars together represent





sustainability on which the consciousness and cognizance of all living beings on Mother Earth rests and prospers. The 108 pillars uphold and preach the values of world peace, benevolence, well-being of humankind and sustainability. Going beyond the architectural elements, the 108 pillars stand for something that is more significant. The number 108 has long been considered a sacred number in Hinduism and yoga. Traditionally, malas, or garlands of prayer beads, come as a string of 108 beads. Furthermore, renowned mathematicians of Vedic culture viewed 108 as a number of the wholeness of existence, which connects the Sun, Moon, and Earth. According to yogic tradition, there are 108 Upanishads and 108 marma points, or sacred places of the body. Based on these 108 pillars of religion/spirituality, science and philosophy and others, the monument shall lead the way to establish itself and the country as a symbol of universal peace and humanity.

Going further, the dome is home to 54 outstanding, impeccably sculpted, larger-than-life, alive statues that inspire, impress and subconsciously communicate. For the first time in the world, such 54 distinguished saints, scientists and philosophers from across the globe, have been brilliantly crafted and installed as bronze statues under the same roof. These multi-faceted, global historical personalities and pioneers are regarded as Makers of World of Science, Makers of World of Literature, Makers of World of Knowledge and Wisdom, Makers of World of Religions, Makers of World of Social Reforms, and they all have given shape to the world history and civilization as it exists today. These leading lights and thought leaders exemplify the union of science, philosophy and spirituality, as initiated by Swami

Vivekananda – the great noble son of India, and the common purpose that each of them seeks to achieve. These awe-inspiring statues of universally acclaimed saints, scientists and philosophers such as Sant Tukaram, Saint Meerabai, Isaac Newton, Stephen Hawking, Mahatma Gandhi, Moses to name a few, are extraordinary and attention grabbing. The apex of the dome houses an idol of Goddess Saraswati - the Hindu Goddess of knowledge, music, art, wisdom and learning. Just like Goddess Saraswati, the dome symbolizes the concepts of intelligence, consciousness, knowledge, creativity, education and enlightenment. Sant Dnyaneshwara and Goddess Saraswati are both embodiments of profound knowledge that the Indian culture stands for and the dome in its complete form signifies the knowledge that the world needs and desires.

As quoted by Saint Dnyaneshwara, “Om Namojiaadhya. Vedpratipadya. Jay Jay Swasvedya Aatmarupa”, is an ideology for the whole universe, which emphasizes on the ultimate reality, the ultimate truth of the world. Saint Dnyaneshwar gave the message that the entire Universe is the manifestation of pure intelligence and consciousness. Consequently, “Knowledge is God” and “The Ultimate Truth is Knowledge Divine” are philosophies that are an integral part of the structure and “Sant Dnyaneshwara” is a symbolic representation of the pathway that the monument seeks to lead. The marvelous and majestic structure, by being the largest dome in the world, seeks to establish to the world, the connection between spirituality and science, from Sant Dnyaneshwara to Albert Einstein.

**From Maharshi Ved Vyas to Copernicus to Mahatma Gandhi...  
Acknowledging the great men who contributed to the wellbeing of Humanity!**







## **WORLD PEACE CENTRE (ALANDI), MAEER's MIT PUNE, INDIA & DR. VISHWANATH KARAD MIT - WORLD PEACE UNIVERSITY**

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The 'World Philosophers Meet' intended to bring together distinguished personalities in the fields of religion, science and philosophy to evolve a scientific, literary, spiritual and humanistic system for the world. Over 700 eminent scientists, scholars, social scientists, philosophers and religious leaders, apart from educationists and other intellectuals, from more than 47 countries, and 3000 spectators attended the assemblage. The outcome of this meet of philosophers with scientific outlook, scientists with philosophical approach and the religious leaders with social commitment was the 'World Peace Centre'.

The World Peace Centre (Alandi) of MAEER's MIT, Pune, India was established on 1 December 1996 and was a step towards the establishment of the MIT - World Peace University. Instituted in the presence of distinguished, world-renowned personalities like His Holiness Dalai Lama, Sri Sri Vishveshtirtha, Maulana Wahiduddin Khan, Mr. Francine Fornier of UNESCO, Paris, Mr. Claes Nobel and many others, the World Peace Center at Alandi was an affirmative stride in the direction of world peace. Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad envisaged the future and appreciated the potential of Alandi as a center of universal revolution and change. Under his visionary leadership, Alandi, a celebrated pilgrim center, saw unbelievable transformation into a center of profound knowledge and sanctity. Alandi, the place of the 'Sanjeevan Samadhi' of the 13th

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With a vision to make a universal impact, the World Peace Centre established a 'Culture of Peace' in a systematic and organized manner through education and training at the global level. The 'Culture of Peace' embraces open-mindedness, sustainable economic and social development, democratic participation, freedom of expression and respect for human rights. In line with this, ever since, the World Peace Centre and now the World Peace University actively spread the message of peace based on the appropriate blending of spirituality, science and philosophy. They seek to empower the youth of the world and build their organization, while inculcating in them the values of respecting nature and strengthening their belief that the 'World is One Family', beyond the boundaries of caste, creed, class, religion, gender and nationality.

MIT – World Peace University, today, is among the best private universities in Maharashtra and the country. It is the only university in the world for life transformation. The uniquely designed programmes and pedagogy combined with top-class facilities and amenities illustrate our vision of 'Attaining World Peace through Education'. We, at MIT-WPU, are also proud of our 'Peace Studies Initiative' through which we try infuse the benefits of peace to our students. We are committed to making India 'Vishwa Guru' that means the 'Teacher of the World!'

In appreciation of the work carried out by MAEER's MIT, Pune, India under the banner of World Peace Centre, of championing the cause of promoting 'Value Based Universal Education', UNESCO, Paris bestowed the World Peace Centre, MAEER's MIT, Pune, India, UNESCO Chair for Human Rights, Democracy, Peace and Tolerance on 12 May 1998.

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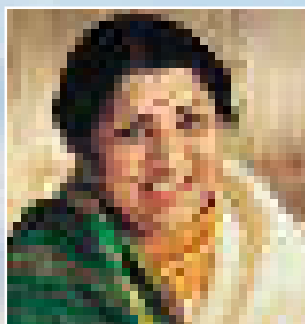
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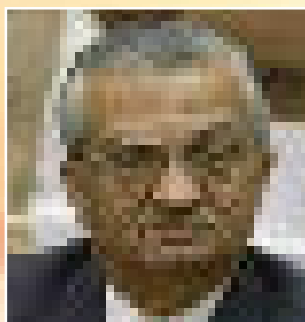
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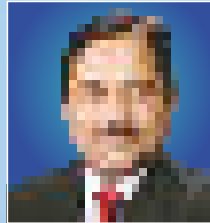
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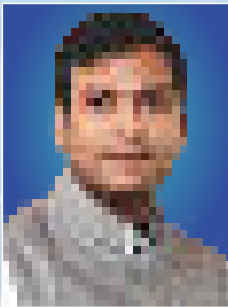


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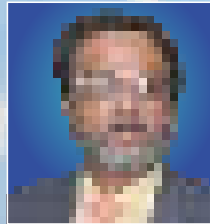


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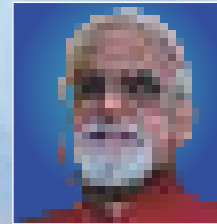
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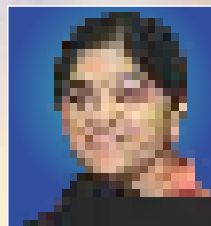
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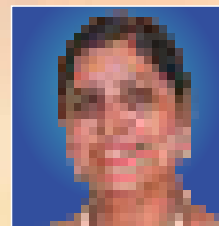
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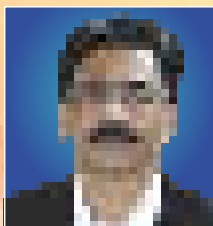


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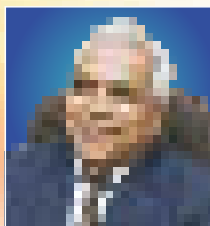


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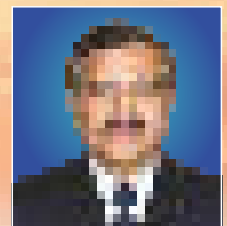
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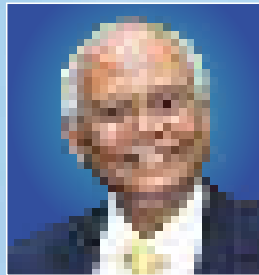
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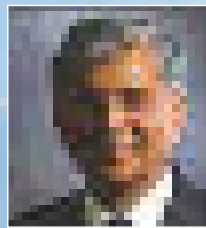
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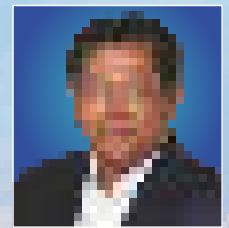
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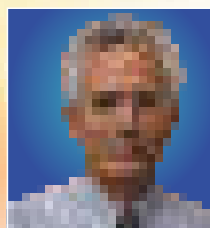


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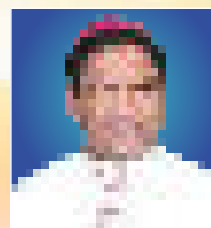
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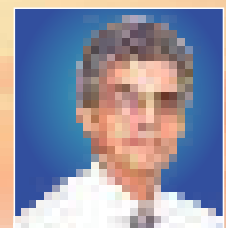
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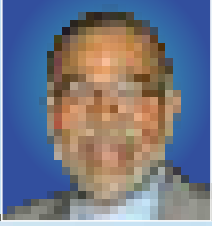


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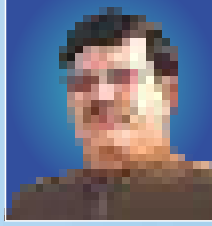


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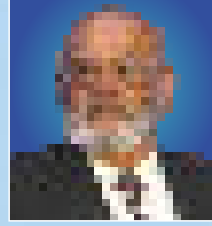
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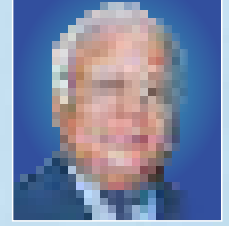
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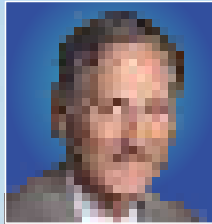
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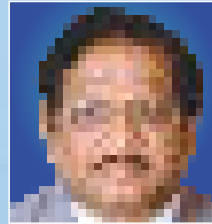
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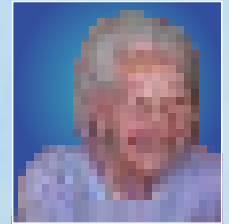
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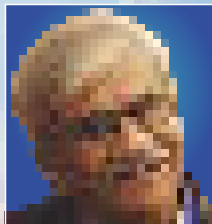
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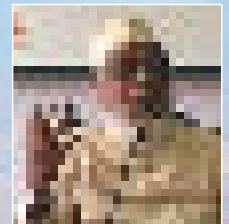
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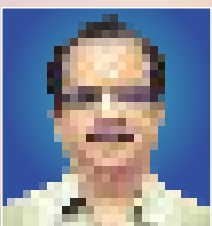
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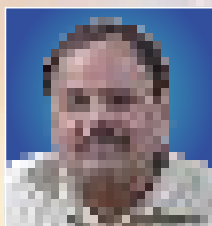
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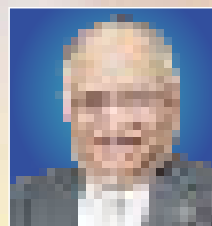
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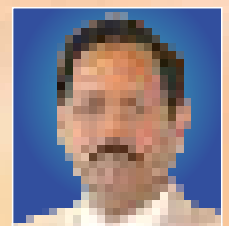
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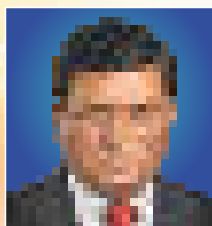
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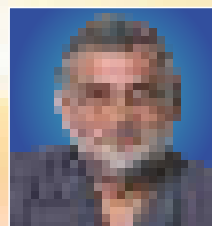
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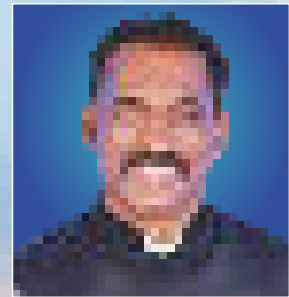
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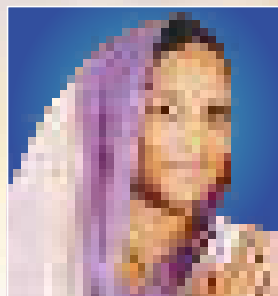
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## PHILOSOPHER SAINT SHRI DNYANESHWARA'S SANJEEVAN SAMADHI

Friends,

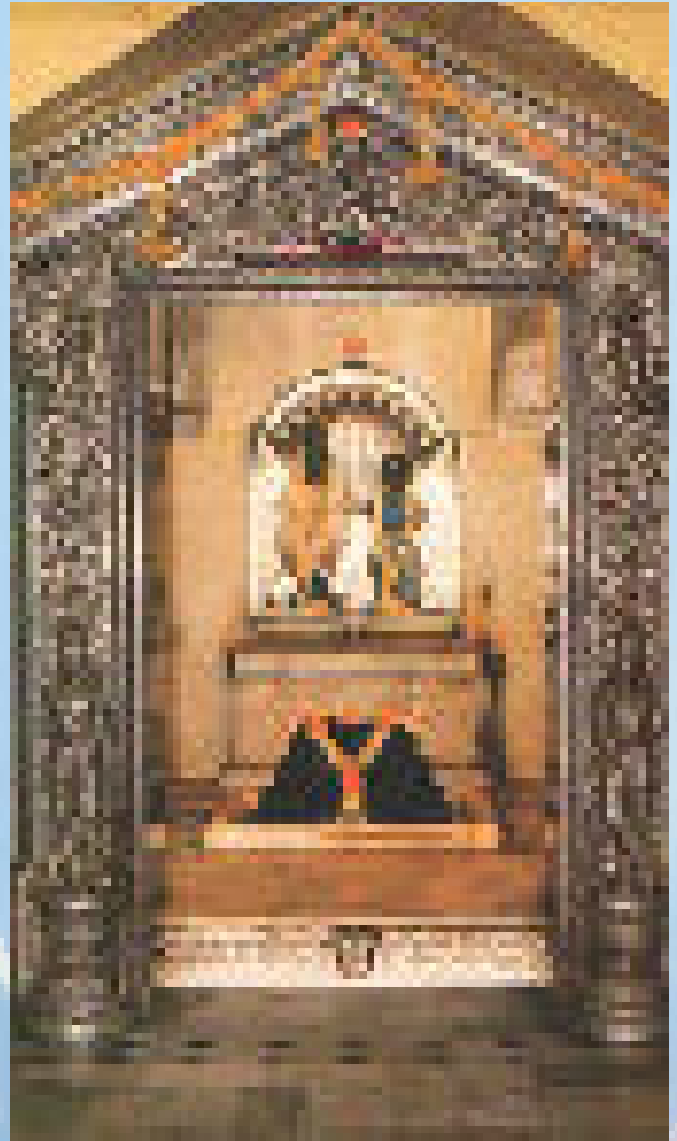
it is possibly one of the greatest miracles of the world that Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara at the very young age of 21 years declared to the world that he had completed his life mission and his work was over and saying so, he attained **SANJIVAN SAMADHI** (*renouncing his physical body / life by entering into a supreme state of Yogic Trance*) on the banks of Indrayani River at Alandi in the presence of some of the greatest saints, sages and seers, as well as a large gathering of thousands of emotionally choked warkaris/devotees and other people. It was the 13th day of the second half of the month of Kartik (November-December).

Friends, it was a highly emotional moment when Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara was led to the site of the Samadhi specially created in a massive stone vault, by his elder brother and guru Saint Nivruttinath and by Saint Namdeo, where Dnyaneshwara sat in a lotus position (Padmasana) and greeted the gathered people three times with folded hands and made a Namaskar.

*Here, Saint Dnyaneshwara very categorically told the assembled people that after he attains yogic trance, a crimson red radiance resembling a thousand suns will appear on his face. That will be stage when he would attain the real state of SANJIVAN SAMADHI and only then should the SAMADHI VAULT be closed.*

Accordingly, Saint Nivruttinath closed the entrance to the Samadhi site with a large boulder and thus this great Philosopher Saint disappeared from the sight of this world forever and attained a state of supreme eternal bliss!

*Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara laid the foundation of the highly devotional Warkari / Vaishnav Sect called 'Bhagwat Dharma' in 13th Century for the benefit and welfare of the common people at large. He strongly denied the caste system then prevalent in India, whereby the society was divided in four categories.*



Philosopher Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara further categorically emphasized that the entire human race created by Almighty God was one and it was a great sin to segregate the human race into castes, creeds, religions, races, sects, nations etc.

*It is worth noting that Philosopher Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara dedicated his entire life for the welfare and wellbeing of the entire mankind by showing the pathway to establish and develop peace-loving holistic society in the world.*

*In fact, Philosopher Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara at the end of his scholarly treatise Dnyaneshwari, in spite of suffering a humiliating childhood and insults from the society, still prays for the benefit and wellbeing of the entire human race and requests the ALMIGHTY GOD to grant him the favor of prevailing Peace in the entire Society through his UNIVERSAL ANTHEM / PRAYER PASAYDAN. This Pasaydan is a true reflection of the piety, nobility, humility, purity of mind, purity of soul and purity in each and every action of one of the greatest Philosopher Saints of the world, Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara.*



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## PLENARY SESSION – I

Theme – Need to promote “Value Based Universal

Education System based on the appropriate understanding of the Role of Science and Spirituality, to minimize the chaos, confusion, terrorism and violence prevailing in the world.

## Plenary Session – II

Theme : Need to promote the Gandhian Philosophy of Truth and Non-violence to establish peace-loving holistic global society.

## Plenary Session – III

Theme : Religion and Religious scriptures of the World are true Life-guiding Scriptures / Principles

## Plenary Session – IV

Theme : Need for Sustainable Development in promoting wellbeing of Mankind and World Peace

## Plenary Session – V

Theme : Non-duality as the Philosophy of Science, to realize the nature of the self through the universal equation  $AUM - E = MC^2$

## Plenary Session – VI

Theme : Finding the Pathway to World Peace through the confluence of time-tested philosophies of various nations of the world

## Plenary Session – VII

Theme : Need to transform Universities / Colleges from Information and Data Collection Centers into the True Centers of Scientifically oriented Knowledge and Wisdom

## Plenary Session - VIII

Theme : Need to transform Pilgrim Centers of the world into Divine Knowledge Centers of the world to minimize the ritualistic religious concepts of Superstition and Blind Faith.

## Plenary Session – IX

Theme : Nature of Mind, Matter, Spirit and Consciousness and the methods of Meditation like Yoga, Vipashyana, Pranayam, Namaz, Prayer, Chanting etc. to develop positive thinking and mindset

## Plenary Session – X

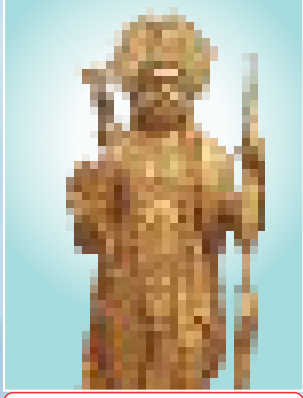
Theme : आता विश्वात्मके देवे - The Concept of “God” the Ultimate Truth / Reality as envisaged through Mother Nature / Entire Universe as propounded by Philosopher Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara

## Plenary Session – XI

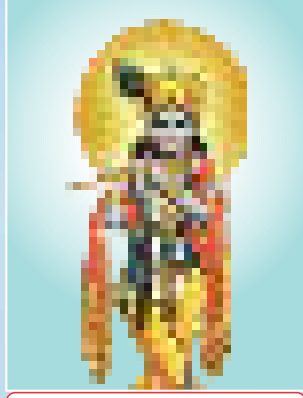
STUDENT SESSION

Theme: Need to establish the concept of “WORLD GOVERNMENT – WORLD AS ONE FAMILY – VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM” under one UNIVERSAL ANTHEM – PASAYDAN OF PHILOSOPHER SAINT SHRI DNYANESHWARA for the wellbeing of Mankind.

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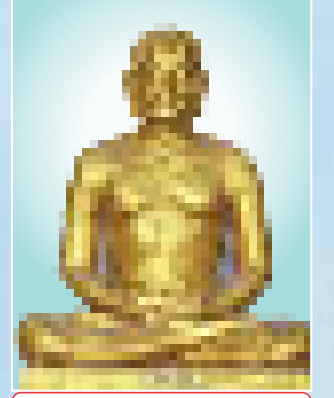
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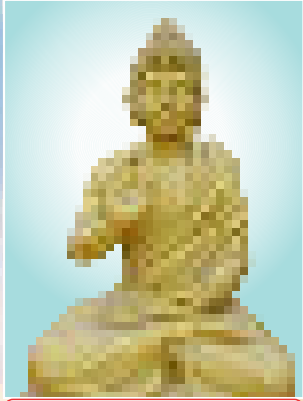
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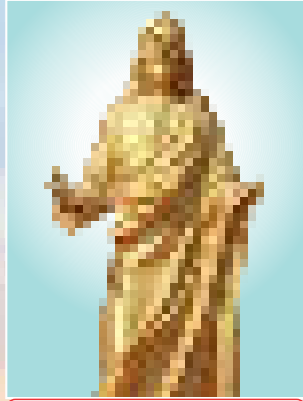
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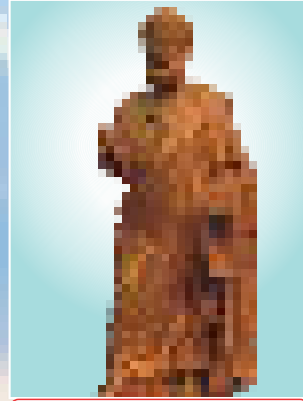
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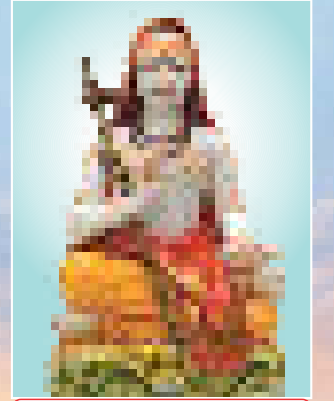
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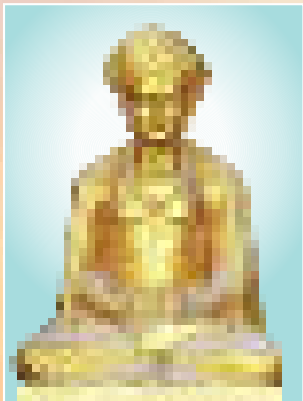
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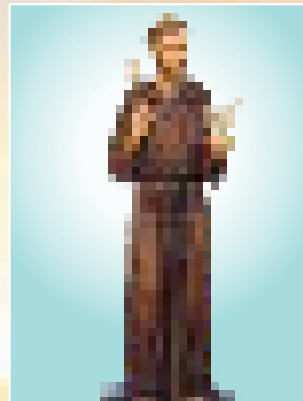
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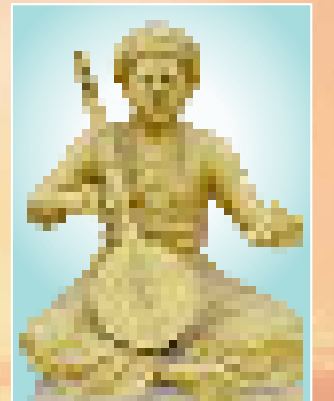
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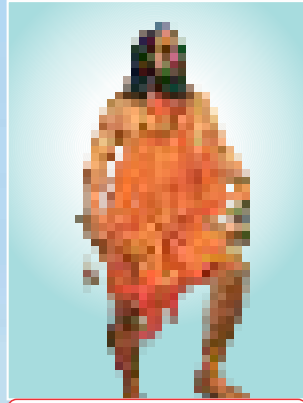
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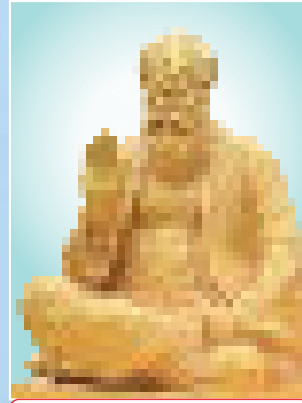
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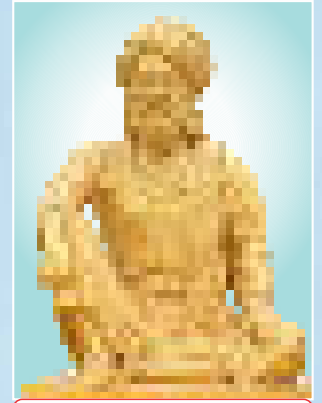
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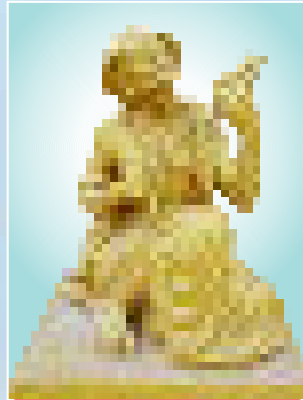
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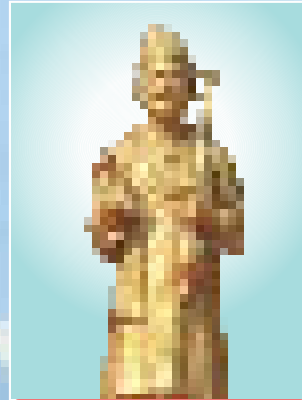
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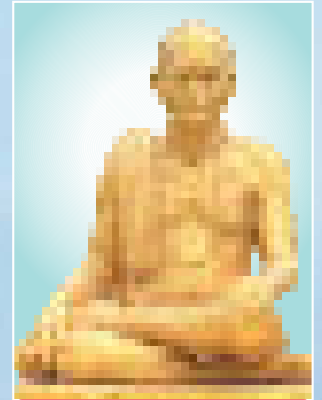
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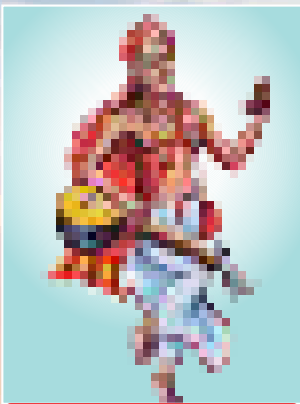
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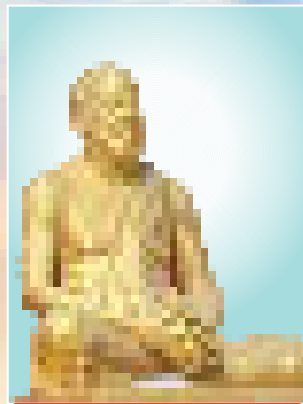
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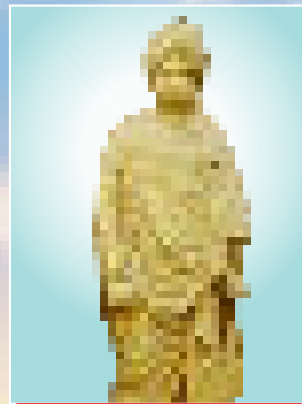
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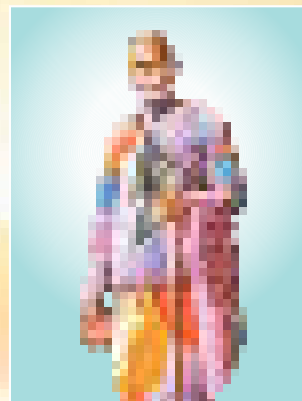
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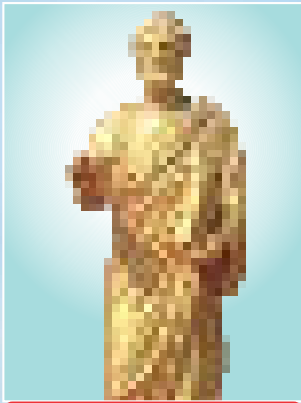
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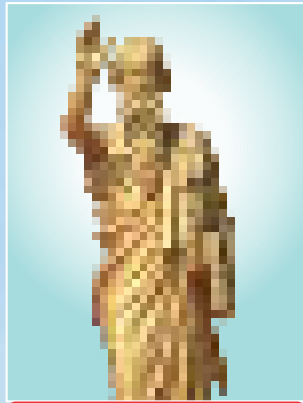
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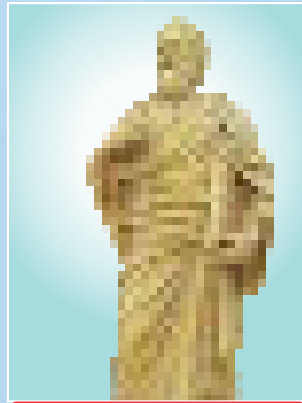
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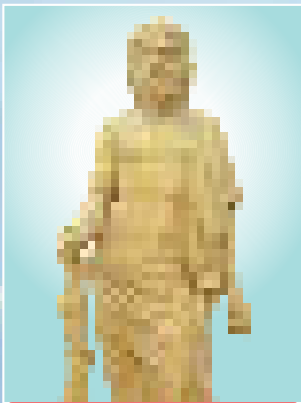
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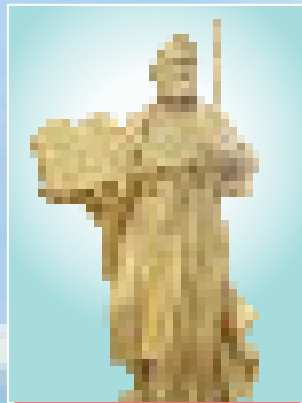
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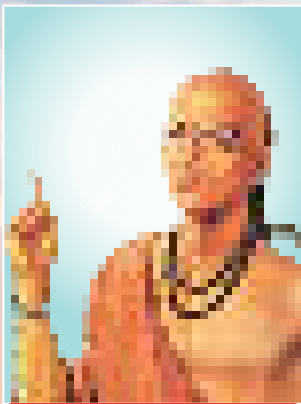
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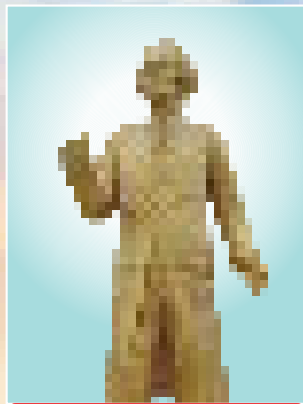
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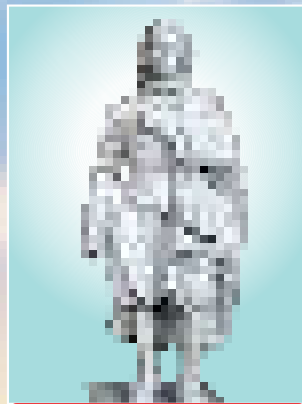
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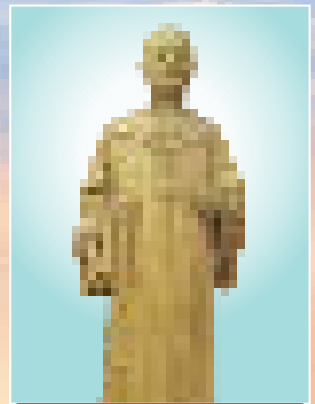
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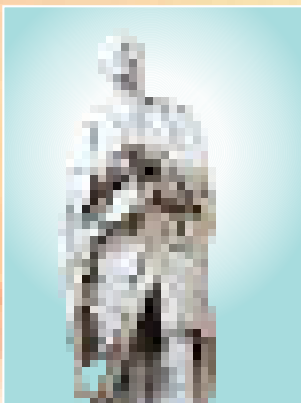
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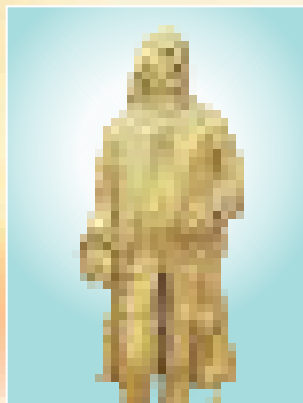
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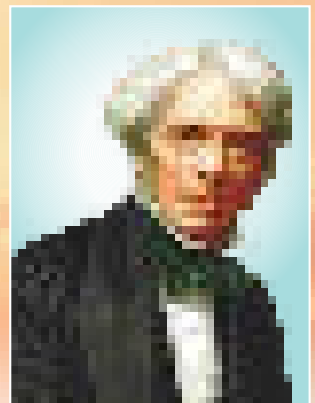
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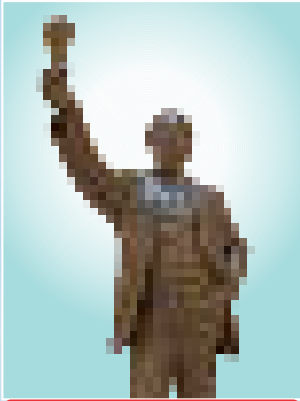


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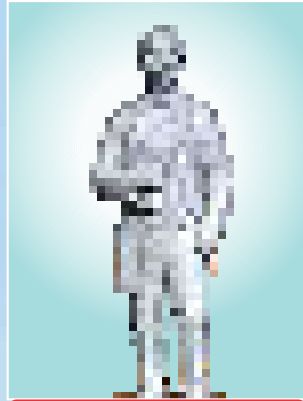


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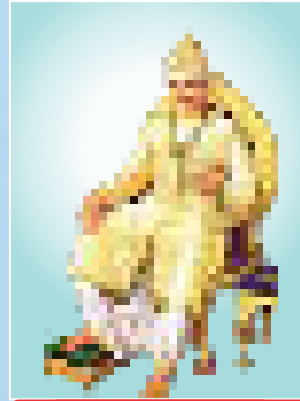




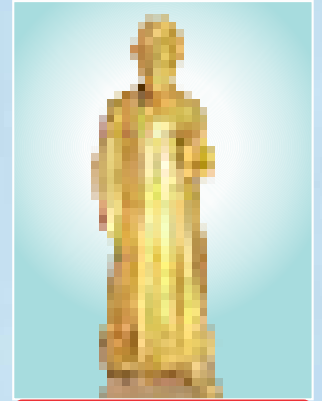
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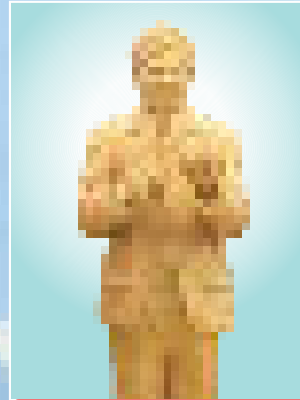
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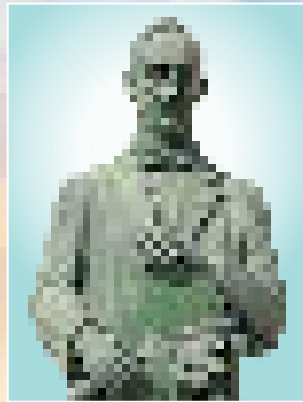
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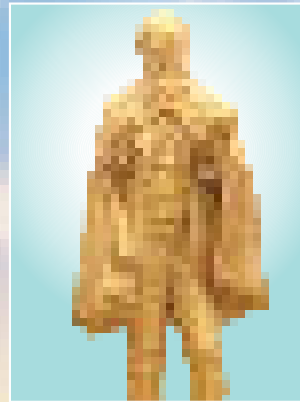
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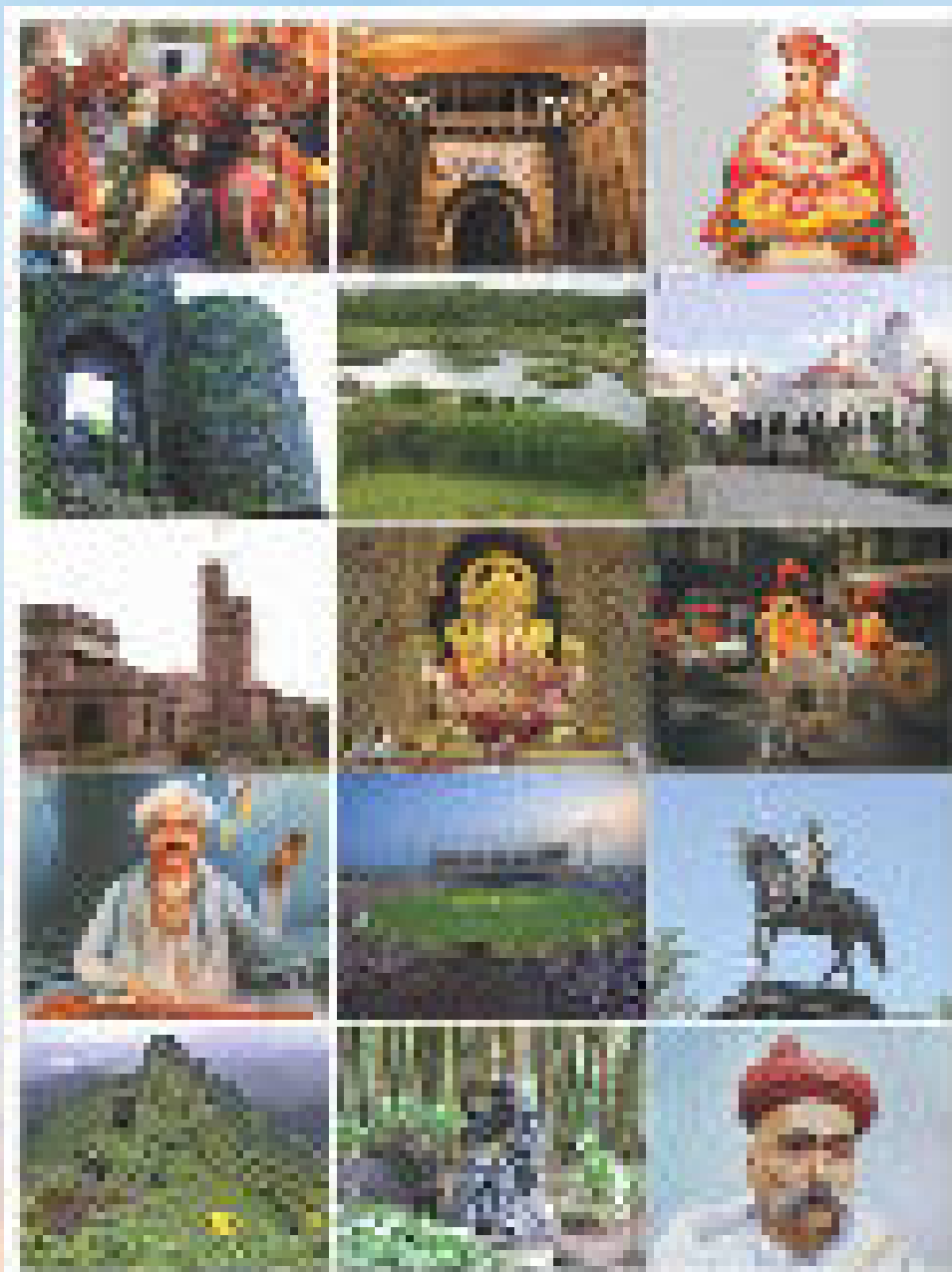
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**ALEX ZENDE**



**CHARLES ROBERT  
DARWIN  
(1809-1882)**



## ABOUT PUNE

Once the capital of the Maratha Empire and known as the 'The Oxford of the East', Pune is the second largest city of Maharashtra and the largest in the Western Ghats. It is one of the most important education, cultural IT hubs in India.

Today, Pune is seen as a lucrative destination for students and professionals, and house of mushrooming and established businesses. One of the leading cities in India today, Pune is a blend of rich culture, heritage and modernization.

Pune boasts of revered Institutes such as the NDA, IUCAA, NCL, FTII, MIT and also houses leading IT companies such as Infosys, Satyam, IBM, Wipro to

name a few. The city has an excellent cosmopolitan mix catering to the largest numbers of student population in India, coming from different states and backgrounds. A favorable climate round the year, developed infrastructure, good connectivity, proximity to major cities across Maharashtra makes Pune an ideal choice for living and business.

Rich with geographical splendor and history dating back to the age of royalty, Pune is loved for its great architecture with various tourist attractions from forts to gardens and museums. A visit to Pune is incomplete without witnessing these great feats of architectural wonder such as the Largest Dome in the World at MIT's Vishwarajbaug Campus.

## World Peace Prayer

ॐ नमोजी आद्या । वेद प्रतिपाद्या । जयजय स्वसंवेद्या । आत्मरूपा ॥१॥  
देवा तुचि गणेशु । सकलार्थं मतिप्रकाशु । म्हणे निवृत्तिदासु । अवधारितो जी ॥२॥

Salutations! To 'OM' ॐ The Ultimate "TRUTH" -  
The Ultimate "REALITY" - The Ultimate State of Matter  
As enunciated in Vedas!

Salutations! To the self CONSCIOUSNESS! The Pure INTELLIGENCE!  
The True "KNOWLEDGE" - The True Nature of the Soul "ATMAN"  
O God! Thou art Ganesha! The Illuminator of all Intelligence!  
The disciple of Saint Nivriti, says,  
Please, pay attention, to my discourse (on Geeta)

गुरुब्रह्मा गुरुर्विष्णुः गुरुर्देवो महेश्वरः । गुरुः साक्षात् परब्रह्म तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः ॥  
Prostrations! Unto "The GURU" - "The TEACHER"  
who is BRAHMA, VISHNU and MAHESH;  
who in reality is the Supreme Brahman! The Almighty-Incarnate!

ॐ पूर्णमदः पूर्णमिदं पूर्णात् पूर्णमुदच्यते । पूर्णस्य पूर्णमादाय पूर्णमेवावशिष्टे ॥  
ॐ शान्तिः । शान्तिः । शान्तिः ॥

'OM' is the "Entirety!" - "The Complete" - "The Whole!"  
The Whole has emerged out of the Whole/the Complete!  
If the whole is taken out from the whole, what remains is still whole!  
'OM' itself is, Peace! Peace! Peace!

हरि ॐ ईशा वास्यमिदं सर्वम् । यत्किंच जगत्यां जगत् ॥  
तेन त्यक्तेन भुञ्जीथाः । मा गृधः कस्यस्विद् धनम् ॥

All this whatever exists in the world, is manifested by God!  
Hence by renouncing it, Enjoy, covet not wealth which belongs to none!

ॐ भूर्भुवः स्वः । तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं ॥ भर्गो देवस्य धीमहि । धियो यो नः प्रचोदयात् ॥  
"O" Mother Earth and the Entire Cosmos  
The adorable luster of GOD - SAVITR! - The SUN !  
We contemplate! May that Supreme radiance stimulate our INTELLECT.

सर्वेऽपि सुखिनः सन्तु । सर्वे सन्तु निरामयः सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु । मा कश्चिद् दुःखमाप्नुयात् ॥  
May all be happy !  
May all be healthy !  
May all enjoy prosperity and experience auspiciousness !  
May none suffer from grief and sorrow!

द्यौः शान्तिः । अन्तरिक्षं शान्तिः । पृथ्वी शान्तिः । आपः शान्तिः । औषधयः शान्तिः । वनस्पतयः शान्तिः ।  
विश्वेदेवाः शान्तिः । ब्रह्म शान्तिः । सर्व शान्तिः । शान्तिरेव शान्तिः । साऽमा शान्तिरेधि ॥१७॥

ॐ शान्तिः । शान्तिः । शान्तिः ।

May Peace Prevail in the Sky !  
May Peace Prevail in the Cosmic Space !  
May Peace Prevail on Earth !  
May Peace Prevail in the Waters !  
May Peace Prevail in the Herbs !  
May Peace Prevail in the Vegetation/plants !  
May Peace prevail in the Lord of the Universe !  
May Peace prevail in Brahma - The Creator !  
May Peace Prevail with everyone !  
May there be nothing but peace everywhere !  
Let that Peace Prevail in Me !

(Interpreted by Prof. (Dr.) Vishwanath D. Karad)



## Universal Prayer for Divine Grace Pasayadan

*F*riends, Pasayadan, a prayer for divine grace written by Philosopher **Saint Dnyaneshwara** after completing his most famous work of **Dnyaneshwari** is truly an **Universal Prayer** for the welfare and well being of the entire mankind as well as other living beings, beyond any caste, creed, race, religion and boundaries of nations.

With the present IT revolution, the entire world is emerging as a knowledge based Global Society and the time is not far off when the entire world will be seen as one Global Family - **Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam**.

Every nation has a National Anthem, likewise, if the global community wants to adopt an **Universal Anthem**, possibly, **Pasayadan**, the **Prayer for Divine Grace** could be the **Universal Anthem**, as it does not confine to any race, religion or state.

Now, 'O' God, The entire Cosmos Divine | Be pleased with this pious word- offering of mine||  
Grant me in good will benign | Your Benevolent Grace Divine||1||  
May the evil minded, their wickedness shed | May their intellect turn to pious and good deeds instead ||  
May all living beings find themselves bonded | By friendly ties of soul companionship||2||  
May the darkness of ignorance disappear | May the Universe see the Sun of self consciousness ||  
May whatsoever aspirations of those be fulfilled | Of all living beings ||3||  
May shower all over the pious divine | May the world be full of Saintly beings benign ||  
May incessantly in the Universe | Meet the living beings ||4||  
Moving groves of wish granting trees | Colonies of conscious wish fulfilling jewels ||  
These saints are, speaking oceans | Full of pious Nectarly divine ||5||  
A Moon without a smear | A Sun without a hot sear ||  
Always to one and all, these hallowed saints | Become kith and kin dear ||6||  
Let all beings be completely satisfied and happy | Fully contented in all the three worlds ||  
Engrossed and merged in devotion | Eternally, of ultimate divine ||7||  
And those who live by this scripture divine | Eternally guiding all living beings ||  
Be victorious over seen unforeseen | In this world and beyond ||8||  
Here, said, the Lord of the Universe | This shall become thy Grace Divine ||  
And with this blissful Grace Divine | Jnandeva became ever joyous and happy benign ||9||

-Philosopher - Saint Shri Dnyaneshwara  
(Interpreted by Prof. Vishwanath D. Karad)



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