

# Divine Cool Breeze

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"Be sure that you are telling the Truth and nothing else and that you have felt the truth in full ways. Those who have not felt the vibrations, should not talk of Sahaja Yoga. They have no authority. They have to receive vibrations. They have to fully imbibe within them and then they can say, 'yes, we felt'.

This is a very important task Sahaja Yogis have to do in these modern times, i.e. to tell aloud that they have found the truth."

Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi

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## Editorial

Have you met someone who gladly takes away all your woes and fills you with joy,  
 who washes the scars of sin and clothes you with shy innocence,  
 who sweetens anger into love,  
 who never gives up, no matter how often you fall,  
 whose hands only give but do not ask,  
 who unlocks all doors to meteoric heights,  
 whose mere presence exults the spirit into ecstasy,  
 even repeating her name wards off evil spirits.

The experience of this meeting is your marriage with goodness, virtue, innocence, compassion, auspiciousness and Divine glory. Nay, it is the meeting with your creator. It is the moment of fulfilment we have dreamt of since many births. To commemorate this blessing we celebrate the Birthday of our Divine Mother, Shri Adi Shakti, Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi.

Our most loving mother worked tirelessly for our ascent for 75 years. Her 75th birthday on 21st March 1998 ushers the birth of the golden age about which saint Gyaneshwar had prophesied-The age "when men of god will become prophets" as described by William Blake. The 'mental fight' is over and now Blossom Time has come. Let us reap the harvest of golden fruits and celebrate.

In the light of the spirit darkness and ignorance has been dispelled. All illusions and mental deceptions have fallen like the Berlin Wall. The global caucus of Sahaja Yoga is too powerful for any negativity. This caucus of collective consciousness has exposed all falsehood. Valiant Normalities have built a 'New Jerusalem' in our 'green and glorious land'. May her Lotus Feet accept the petals of our realisation of Her Divine Vision as a humble offering on her 75th Birthday.

Her 75th birthday is indeed the most auspicious moment for thanksgiving. Thanking her again and again for all the pangs of pain she suffered in giving us rebirth, of bearing with our shortcomings, of giving us realisation and of nurturing us as the most precious roses in her delightful garden.

But what can one offer to one's own creator, to the one who has an abundance of everything, who is verily the source of everything. A Sahaja Yogi can only offer flowers of love and devotion at Her Lotus Feet. But she has often said that She loves those who love Her children. Let us see Her in the eyes of our brothers and sisters, let us love Her in their spirit. Let us care for them as She cared for us. When we would have done this, our gift may be received in heaven.

No crowds need witness and applause or deeds, but the witness is within and the witness is above. Our Divine Mother recalled what Her father told Her in Childhood, that "one hand must not know what the other gives". Yes, goodness is its own reward.

On our most loving Mother's 75th birthday there are many promises we must make and keep. Yet, even they will not suffice to redeem her debt, perhaps a simple promise from the heart to be truthful to our own spirit and love the spirit in others might gladden the Holy Spirit.

—Yogi Mahajan

## Sufism & Sahaja Yoga

Lucknow, famous for its Ganga-Jamuni tehzeeb and a seat of Islamic learning, recently saw an intermingling of faiths Sufism and Sahaja Yoga, at an international seminar on the "Advent of Qayamah through enlightenment" organised by the Islamic Study Group.

The Group, which is a conglomeration of Muslim professionals from different parts of the world, is making a serious effort to inspire the people that the path to salvation lies in the subtle body of the human beings.

It has tried to draw a parallel between the "Seven Heavens" as mentioned in The Quran and the seven *chakras* or plexuses described in the Sahaja Yoga of which Mata Nirmala Devi is the torchbearer.

Renowned Turkish Sufi scholar Hussain Taup, who came all the way from Istanbul, set the tempo of the conference when he explained at length the seven heavens of *Chakras* (consciousness) which were the seven heavens mentioned by Prophet Mohammed.

He explained each step of consciousness, and according to him, the most important step is when God is pleased with man. Then God sees and hears through man. The final step is when man is enveloped by the will of God.

This is the stage when man finds peace and union with the Almighty. Mr. Taup, who all through his life has been an Imam, preacher and muezzin, has been the guiding force behind this movement.

Dr. Amjad Ali, a Pakistani now working at a hospital in Melbourne, Australia, gave the Islamic and Sufi interpretation of the *Chakras*. The first *Chakra Mooldhara* is *Qalabiya* in Sufism and *Alam-e-Fani* in Islam. Likewise Swadhishthana is *Nalsiya* in Sufism and *Na-sout* in Islam, Nabhi is *Qaldiya* in Sufism and *La-hout* in Islam; Anhata is *Sirriya* in Sufism and *Sa-hout* in Islam; Vishudhi is *Ruhiya* in Sufism and *Mala-khout* in Islam. *Aganya* is *Khafiya* in Sufism and *Jab-rout* in Islam and *Sahasrara* is *Haqiquate* in Sufism and *La-hout* in Islam.

Dr. Amjad dwelt at length on how Islam had explained the importance of 373 of these *chakras* in the resurrection of man.

Mr. Jamail, an Algeria-born aeronautical engineer now working in Paris, said that the fight was between "to be a Muslim" and "being a Muslim." "God does not want his children to suffer," he said adding that *Qayamat* or the day of resurrection and judgement, is the day when human beings should judge themselves.

Dr. Zafar Rashid, a Pakistani now working in Oxford University Hospital said that no religion was meant to be exclusive. The problem started when they were organised and that denied to human beings an opportunity to realise their own selves.

Defining the word Sufi, he said that it comes from the word Safai (cleansing) and, therefore, every human being should make a serious effort of cleansing oneself of one's sins.

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# Navratri Puja

Cabella 5-10-97

*Pravachana (Talk) by Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi.*

Today, is the 6th day of Navratri. There have been many incarnations of the Goddess, for different purposes. But when the great saints introspect themselves, who were worshipping the mother, they found out that what she has done for us. The other day, I told you that the Dharma is the innate valency of human beings, and they are 10. This is already established within is, but we deviate, deviate from dharma and all the problems come in. Because to leave the Dharma is not a human quality. The Goddess herself has done so many things for us, already within us, though we are not aware of it said that या देवी सर्वभूतेषु all those whom you have created means mostly the human beings, what you do ? As what do you exist inside the human beings ? Now, just introspect if you have these qualities within you or not ? Because they are given to you by the Goddess, by the Shakti within you, like, या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शक्तिरूपेण संस्थिता is very important, that you exist within human beings as peace. Do you find those human beings who are peaceful within and without. Very difficult, but she has given you that. She has given you that peace, which you have to achieve.

Now, it comes because you have fallen of your human Dharmas, so this peace which she has given you, you have to achieve through your ascent, through the Kundalini awakening. You are excited, alright, or you want to take revenge, you want to hurt others, you want to trouble others, You enjoy sometimes. Even as Sahaja Yogi, people enjoy hurting others, troubling others. So, the second one she says is या देवी सर्वभूतेषु प्रीति रूपेण संस्थिता, प्रीति is the quality of loving, that a human being has been given, the quality of loving, but its not there, because first nonsensical thing human beings have is jealousy.

Now, supposing I give some present to somebody and some present to another one. Even in Sahaja Yoga they feel Jealous. Very surprising ! How can you, when the goddess has given you the quality to love ? Very-very common nonsense about it is that human beings are very jealous. But, as Sahaja Yogis, you should not, because that quality that the goddess has given you is of loving. That quality should be shown, on the contrary you are very jealous. That means you are not a Sahaja Yogi blessed by Shri Mataji. No, if you are blessed then you'll have no jealousy whatsoever. And this jealousy sometimes goes to this extent that, now we are, say from Cabella, so you are from Albela, finished. These are so close to each other just like the two nostrils together but there will be jealousy. There will be jealousy about why not mother come to my country, if you can go to that country ?

So, this comes also from the ignorance that this is mine, this is mine, this is yours. This jealousy starts in such a funny manner that, we do not realise also, that she has given us the power to love, tremendous power to love. Inauspicious power cannot be our, but auspicious dharmic power to love somebody means without any lust and greed, without any jealousy. But the human mind has developed itself, so cunning, that it is proud that it can be jealous of someone. Out of this jealousy only greed comes in, as I told you. It is a fact, because you feel jealous, so you want to buy the same thing; then you must compete with others. If somebody has got a job better than yours then you must compete. These things are all destructive and the powers of Goddess are constructive. She gives you all the powers that are absolutely constructive. Then she says, या

देवी सर्वभूतेषु, the saints have said कृपा रूपेण संस्थिता कृपा is what you call is the Forgiveness. Forgiveness from the heart, alright somebody has been cruel to you, has been nasty to you, has exploited you, have troubled you, but you have the power, great power to forgive. Do we use that power to forgive ? Then for realising also what does she do that she gives you the sleep, या देवी सर्वभूतेषु निद्रारूपेण संस्थिता, when you are tired and you can't sleep, she makes you sleep. She relaxes you. So the power of relaxation she does, because She acts through Parasympathetic nervous system. The sympathetic nervous system can excite you, can depress you, but the parasympatholytic relaxes you, relaxes your heart, relaxes your body and you feel completely relaxed and sleepy in the lap of your mother. But there are many people who cannot sleep, because they are thinking about something they have to achieve. If you cannot sleep, then something wrong with you. And when you cannot sleep, I also cannot sleep. Whatever is happening collectively also works on me. Anything wrong you do, that works on me, specially collectively. So, you cannot sleep, because you are thinking of things, which are of no value. Now to overcome that, in Sahaja Yoga, we know we have to go into thoughtless awareness. But when your ego is working. (This child is very disturbing I have seen him all the time running about. Better tell him.) You see in India you find children absolutely keeping quiet, why ? Because the mother takes up the responsibility to train the child. So many programmes you have had. Have you ever seen any child running about ? Yesterday also they were all running about here. The reason is that the mother doesn't take responsibility as a mother to see that the children are properly brought up. Even you are so old but I have to tell you, whatever is good for you, your society and new generation that has come. In this new generation if you still are not behaving in a proper way, in a normal way, how can you impress others ? So, Mother has to tell you.

The most interesting thing that mother has

put in you is, या देवी सर्वभूतेषु भ्रान्ति रूपेण संस्थिता She puts you into delusion. Because sometimes the children cannot understand unless & until they face the delusion. They have to face the delusion, she allows, allows you to go wrong to a point where you discover you are lost. Very important it is, that She plays, this is the Mahamaya part, as they say, and this is discussed in every religion, that we get lost with this delusion. Now what are the delusions that we have ? We have the delusions of ego. Ego for men as if they were very powerful, that they can do what they like, and they are not going to be punished for it. For women, they too behave in the same manner. They don't understand that this is a delusion the mother has given to us, for us to find out that we are in the wrong. Because, if you tell somebody this is wrong, you don't do it. Still they are not matured enough so they'll go on doing wrong things. So the mother says go on, very nice, very good, very good thing. You jump in the sea, jump. When you realize that you have been in a delusion, then only you can return back. Without any problem you cannot return, so many of you are so obstinate, so self-conscious. Whatever one may tell you, you will not listen. Whatever way, we may try to convince on a mental level, you won't, so the delusion is beyond the mind. It is beyond mind. It works out sometimes very well for difficult people. Now, when you are in a position of a mother, you don't want your child to be ruined, naturally. She feels responsible, and she thinks that now they have got connection with the divine and this connection should not be broken. That they should be all the time blessed and be happy. All this is within us, within us, built in from our very childhood, but we forget it. Slowly, slowly we start loosing it. May be this conditioning is such or may be the ego is such and may be that they forget that they are realised souls. I am talking to you, to people who are realised souls, I am not talking to people who are already lost or who may be on their way to Sahaja Yoga. But the way you are brought up, the way you have been told very

sweetly, with love, with affection, with kindness, and if you don't understand that, then you go into भ्रान्ति. For example it is also said, या देवी सर्वभूतेषु लज्जारूपेण संस्थिता। लज्जा I don't know how to describe ? Its not shyness. It is a kind of a shame about your body. Now, they have beauty contest, India also they had beauty contest (why are you writing ?...) लज्जारूपेण संस्थिता means you have to have shame of your body, that's specially for women. As a child, you will see, women are very shy, see little girls, they are very shy. Shyness gradually disappears. But in the beginning, they are even shy of me. They come before me, they'll put down their head, they'll not even say namaste. Very sweet and they don't like people wearing funny dresses. I remember my granddaughter, once she saw one magazine in which there was a lady in the swimming dress. She said what are you doing ? Better wear your dress, otherwise my grandma will come and hit you hard. To that lady she was saying like that and then she opened and saw one man's dress with a small little knicker, I don't know why they do it ! And she said this one seems to be absolutely shameless fellow. He is going to have a bad time now, and she closed it and told the maid servant, burn this, burn this off, I don't want to see. Such a little girl, she knew that it was wrong. But the way now a days we are going about with the show of our body and sometimes I feel that all these designers will die or will get bankrupt, because people wear such little clothes these days. There is no space for any artist to show his work or to show his art, how he can dress you up. In Japan I asked them, how this is, long time back, now Japanese are American, but at that time, I said how is it you wear these dresses this kaemonas done so well, very expensive and it takes time to wear that ? So, they said that, you see, if God has made a beautiful body, it is his art and we have to make our art to decorate it. So what we do is to make our art to decorate it. I really liked it, because in India, it is the same thing, If there's a lady she has to wear a saree, which is being made very artfully, very beautifully, just to decorate her body, just to

respect the body, but this seems to have gone with the influence of America, I should say, they are brainless people. Absolutely brainless, nothing to learn from them, only 200 years old people and we start behaving in their manner. We don't see even what is happening to their country, what sort of people they are ? How they live, what is their idea ? What is their goal in life ? Every false guru has exploited them, because they are brainless, if they had brains, they would never have accepted them. They have brains how to run a computer or how to run a television, mechanical things. But as far as their own body is concerned, they don't know how to manage.

In India they had a beauty competition and many sensible people opposed it, because its like selling your body and making money. What is the difference between prostitution and this ? If you get money by selling your body then it's prostitution. You are not supposed to sell your body. That's not what goddess has done to you, but you should dress up well, different, different occasions are there. For those occasions you have to wear the way it is. The other day I gave, a very nice saree, which we call as पैठनी to one lady, as a present and we had a function, for a book was inaugurated, and this lady came there, so I said why didn't you wear your पैठनी। She said what ? There is no wedding on, how can I wear for this function पैठनी। There has to be a wedding. Very sweet, in wedding I can wear. It is all occasions, places, which are to be celebrated. Like in India when husband-wife go to the temple or to worship the idols or anything, then they will wear all that is necessary, to face the goddess after all. Imagine people coming for this programme here, wearing, I don't know what they call it but like jute, jute clothes, like hippies. What would happen to me ? I would disappear in thin air, I can tell you that. So one has to have respect for the body, that is what she has said first that लज्जा रूपेण संस्थिता. Now you might say that there are people who are taking bath in the river and this and that and give justification. But you are

saints, you are realised souls, you don't have to see those people who are not yet realised and who are misbehaving. You must do what a saint should do.

There are so many qualities that the goddess has given you. Another is बुद्धा रूपेण संस्थिता. She is the one who has given us hunger, we have to eat our food. Now a days there is a fashion of becoming thin or whatever you may call and you know so many diseases have developed, Anorexia, this thing, that thing, because women want to eat little. You can change the things you are eating but it's not the aim of life to only look after your body. Body is not the only important thing. What is important is your spirit. She is the one who gives you the kundalini, she is the one who gives you a method by which you'll ascend. But all the time worried about their body. This is something I can't understand, specially the women, who are shakti. Then another point is that they follow a fashion. Fashion is madness. When I was young I used to wear my blouses like this only. But in India also fashion started, they used to increase the size of the sleeves, then decrease the size of the sleeves, then some went up to here. Now, I thought what is this nonsense? Why waste money like this? You have a particular design and this is traditionally accepted design, that you should have. Why do you want to go on increasing and decreasing the size of the sleeves according to the fashion? This is the fashion. Who makes the fashion? Devi? Devi has made the fashions? Who has made the fashions? It is the hungry, greedy people, who are befooling you, and you are trying to follow fashions

Now, for example, I told you, you must put oil in your hair, atleast on Saturday, put sufficient oil and then wash your head. But, you will not do that and then you start losing your hair. I can understand that if you have no time, you are a very busy man. But why? Why not do something when it is needed to look after yourself also. So you look after your body to thin down, you lose your hair, eyesight will be

weak, your teeth will be falling and you will become very soon an old hag. Same with the men, now a days men are also going to the beauty parlour, I am told. Too much money, I think, and stupidity together. There is no need. If you lead a good healthy life, you have to exercise and meditate. If you meditate, you become peaceful, with that peace, you'll be amazed, you'll have so much of energy. So much energy is wasted in thinking; and what do you think? If you ask somebody what are you thinking? Everything, but everything means what? Why do you think so much? What is the need to think? It's a habit, human habit, to go on thinking about everything. For example, just now there are three carpets. Now, if I put attention on it, I'll first see how nice they are and just enjoy, enjoy what the artist have done? That's all, no words, nothing. Just the enjoyment within yourself. But if you ask somebody else, he'll just start saying, oh this is not good, that's not good, this is not so bright, this thing, that thing. The joy of that artist is finished. You cannot get that joy, that joy about which we are seeking. What we are seeking is joy and even when you have got a way of doing it, you don't achieve it. Because thinking is a reaction. Reaction to everything and it makes the life so miserable, it makes the life of the person who thinks and of others also. I'll give you an example. This whole thing, we got it done, just because, It's very heavy rains and also we have problems of sometimes snowing. So, I thought that's a nice thing, to have a nice thing done and it's very well done, we got it. Now, there are thinking people in this Italy, lots of them, that's why its not progressing. Now, we applied three years back. Three years they kept our money locked up in the bank, imagine. And first time they said, alright, everything is fine, it's alright you can have it. It had seventy signatures of these Italians, so called and then they came around to say, the same people, no, no, no, you must change it to copper. I said why? Because copper will be aesthetically very good. But don't they know, the stupid people, that copper will look the same as they are



looking. After one month only they will have the same colour. This is the idea of aesthetics and now I have told them, we don't want your land, you keep it to yourself and give us back our money. In a simple thing like that, why? Because they have a committee, there is Rejuvne, bejvne, sejuvne? We have to go through all that nonsense. Because they all sit down in chairs, very seriously, we must discuss, we must consult, we must ask everyone and then this. Ultimately what comes? No progress of anything. There is no peace. May be, I don't know, may be some underhand dealings are needed, for which they are feeling shy to tell me. I don't know what is the thing, but still I can't understand when one office says yes, and again when it comes back to it, it says no. Three years. So what I am trying to say, that thinking too much is the sign of ego. But they don't find any solutions. No solutions of anything. They'll never hit the solution. Because they are discussing, arguing, thinking. They have no solutions.

Now it is important that Sahaja Yogis have to do introspection, inward. Introspection is inward looking. Inward looking, why I am thinking? What am I thinking. What is the need to think? You will become Nirvichar. Don't allow your mind to befool you. This mind is like a monkey, I tell you. It's really like a monkey and when it starts working, it makes you jump, from this end to that end, that end to that end. If you reach some conclusion, so called, and if it is not achieved, then you are the most miserable person. I have seen people thinning down, only thinking about some thing which is absurd and you can see out of this thinking what comes out, on a global level also. What is the need to go to the moon? So many people are dying out! What is the need to go to Mars? What are they going to get from there? Because they have formed a habit, first they came to India, then went to China, then went to this, then went to that. They can't sit down, settle down. They can't settle down in their house also, specially men. If you are travelling

by train, even if train stops for two minutes, men must get out. The wife will be worried now and while the train will be moving, then they'll jump. It's a crack brain, I think like a monkey because even monkeys won't do that. It's that they cannot remain stationary in one place. Now, in meditation you have to sit down in one place, not to jump from here to there, there to here, which is very difficult. Women have other problems. While cooking, they'll meditate. They have no time. They have their friends, they have to go to shopping to buy things and fill the house with all kind of rubbish. They have no time for anything. They are also very adventurous. They want to do business. They want to do this, they want to do that. For meditation they have no time! So settling down is very important. Settle down with yourself. So, somebody told me, 'Mother if we settle down we'll become very fat.' Alright doesn't matter, but you settle down. All sorts of excuses are there, not to meditate. Yes, I meditate mother, but you know so difficult in these modern times. There are crisis in our lives, there are problem in our lives. But actually you'll be amazed. When there is crisis, say in my family or in Sahaja Yoga, immediately, I become thoughtless. Spontaneously I become thoughtless, because the problem will be solved by the Parama Chaitanaya.

The Parama Chaitanaya is going to solve the problem, why should I think? Forget it, let the Parama Chaitanaya look. If you don't depend on your Parama Chaitanaya, It doesn't help, doesn't give you any solution. Then you go on round and round and round with your brain and work it out. This is what you have to know definitely, that you are connected to the all pervading power of Divine Love. This is not love which is stupid. It's Love that thinks, love that is truth, love that is joy. All This is built-in within you and now you have got realisation; so instead of evolving yourself, you just jump into things which are of no value. And so many Sahaja Yogis get lost. I have recently been told by someone that we have lost about 100 Sahaja

Yogis, because they started following another Sahaja Yogi who started seeing things. So, they also wanted to see. If you can see something, that means you are not there. Simple thing. If I am, say, on the top of a mountain, then I am there, but if I am away from the mountain then I can see. The more you see something that means you are away from that. Did you follow this point? So, the subtle, the sukshama state is that where you are yourself that. How can you see yourself? This is the point Sahaja Yogis must understand. Anybody who can see, Mother, oh, no he can see, he saw auras around you, he can see this thing, so, how can you see? Because you are that, you can't see. So all such people who are very popular sometimes in the beginning of Sahaja Yoga, try to control you and befool you and then you are thrown out. Now, this is what you call is the judgement. There are sieves, and sieves and sieves through which you have to pass. Where you get enamoured by this or that or you fall for this or that, all these things are there. Step by step, how you are arising? You are arising at that point where your destruction is sure, because you have to become the spirit, you have to rise in spiritual life and if your movement is downward, who can help you? This is a very interesting time as I told you, is the time of judgement and at this time we have to be careful that we are our own judges. Nobody is to tell you that you are catching this one and you are catching that one. You yourself can feel it, what chakras are you catching. Whatever I may try on my own to suck in all your problems, do whatever is possible to keep you rising and rising and rising, but what I feel that this method of helping you, will not make you so strong, because you will always think that after all Mother will suck my problems. If I get 100 letters, 99 of them are of Sahaja Yogis who are suffering from this trouble or that trouble I am amazed, you have all these qualities already awakened in you, they are in you, you use them. Somebody will say, that fellow is troubling me, the wife is troubling me, the husband is troubling me, just forgive, just forgive, your power of forgiveness is poor. Moreover, more than what

the saints have written, you have got the power of truth, you know the reality much more than those saints who have praised the Goddess. If you could just think as to what level you are sitting, you wouldn't fall, you wouldn't go down that much, only problem is you have to know that your ascent has to be spiritual and already these qualities are very well balanced and put within you, more than dharma. May be you have the power to give up or to fall down, but these powers are never destroyed within you. I remember once, I went to America, first time and I met one gentleman and next day he came and told me Mother, I'm changed, I'm changed, I'm changed. What happened? You know I used to hate my uncle and never wanted to talk him, very angry with him, but yesterday, just imagine, yesterday I met him. I went and hugged him and kissed him and I said, now I have forgiven you, completely forgiven you. Now don't think about feeling guilty about it. He started looking at me like this. So with the kundalini awakening, all these beautiful qualities you have will come up and then your generosity, your beautiful being which is enlightened by the spirit, will prove to the world that, Sahaja Yoga is the truth. Yesterday's beautiful dramas have shown us, but it should not be a mental satisfaction within you that I have got the realization, I-am this, no, no, no mental. It's a state, and that state to achieve, you have to really meditate. Find time for meditation every night, every morning. The more you'll meditate, the better it will be. No excuses are to be given or to be convincing to yourself. Everything is unimportant, your ascent is very important, if you really want to save this world from this kaliyuga. I think today I have made it very clear to you, what qualities are already installed within you. They are, they are not dharmas but qualities, they are just within you, only thing you have turned your attention to something opposite, otherwise all these qualities are already instilled within you. They are already there, and nothing can destroy them except for you yourself. If you have destroyed them, nobody can help.

*May God bless you all.*

# The Role of Women

*Shudy Camps, June 1998*

Yesterday, we have had a nice meditation, and we all felt the cool breeze of the Holy Ghost, and I told you that we have to understand that this is the greatest moment in the history, while you are born, and you are doing the highest work that is of God, here. And you are specially chosen for it and how you must know that you are a saint. Apart from this, all the blessings that you have, you also get lost sometimes in your blessings that you have, you also get lost sometimes in your blessings and start behaving in a manner which doesn't behove a saintly person. Now after so many years I have agreed, or I agreed to have Ekadasha Rudra Puja, which was, I know, was a dangerous thing to do because I know, still so many Sahaja Yogis are half-baked, some are just taking advantage of Sahaja Yoga, and making money out of it or getting some power out of it, or fame or something.

So this was let loose now, this power, and is a very, very dangerous power in a way, and you have to be very careful. It of course, protects you from the people who attack you and try to destroy you from all negativity. It wants to work out all kinds of protection that is possible for you, but if you start misbehaving, also it can act upon you. I'll give you a story about something happened very recently in India. One Sahaja Yogi went to another Sahaja Yogi's place, who had lots of jackfruits in her garden and she said, "why don't you give me one jackfruit because I want to make some Vegetable out of it?" So she said, "Not today. I'll give you. I will give you some other day; I do'n't want to give you today. That's all. And she had lots of jackfruits. So the Sahaja Yogi felt bad that you see, she just wanted to make some vegetables for some nice people coming to her house—costs you nothing in the market, just she liked the jackfruit so she said can I have one jackfruit? Next day there was a very big wind, a kind of typhoon came, only in her garden, nowhere else. And all her jackfruits fell down.

Also, the tree fell down. And she didn't know what to do. So she came back and she said to this, another Sahaja Yogini, "I'm sorry I've said these things. That is what has happened, now you please save me from another disaster because I have been rather selfish towards myself." She said, "No, I never said anything to mother. I never told Her. I just came back home, I forgot everything. I never told anything to Mother. I never carried any malice in my mind. I was absolutely very forgiving. How it has happened?"

This has happened after the Ekadasha Rudra Puja and she was worried that all her garden will be swept away one day. So she wrote a letter to me saying, "Mother, this is what has happened. I have done it because I have these bad habits from my past life and I tried to save one Jackfruit..." and then she had to give it away to beggars, to servants. Nobody would buy those jackfruits from her. Then she lost all her money. She lost everything. I know it is rather dangerous, but how to destroy the negativity?

And today I find the negativity is also hurting Sahaja Yoga, very much, and Sahaja Yogis, through a very subtle method. As you must have heard about Australia, what has happened there. One lady who was sent from her husband to Australia to get corrected. So there's another one who's a wife of someone. She's very conscious of her "wifeness." She got hold of this negative woman and created a group of such negative women. And all the vibrations of Sahaja Yoga were finished there. On my birthday, not one person sent me even a flower from Australia. They did my Puja, all right. That ritual they did: Puja... but families. She said that we are doing in our own family. Which is your family? The small little family of ashram or your own family? And the whole thing got destroyed. All the vibrations of all the Australians was destroyed.

Then I had to call the leader to Bombay. He

was so upset with his own vibrations because he started shaking before me. His hands started trembling before me. He said, "I am sensitive." I said, "No, this is Bhoot, this is not sensitivity. If you get anything, pains, or anything like that, that means you're a bhoot. You're not sensitive. Don't be diverted. Don't think like that. Don't have wrong ideas about yourself." I said, "you sit down before me now." Then I took out the spirits from him. Then he admitted "there was an assault of Scottish people on me." Scottish people. Why? "Because she went from Scotland." I said, "Bhoots do not have any nationality. They do not have any caste. They don't have any religion. They're bhoots. So don't call them Scottish. They could be Russians. They could be Italians. They could be Indians. They could be anything." But such a lot them that the whole of Australia, the whole of New York got caught up.

So how the negativity crawls into it, and a person like James who is a saint was hurt. Not hurt but he was absolutely ruined and he admitted that "Mother, I know what has happened to me." But I found out his wife who was guilty. She had a very bad past, allergic to things, she was. All kinds of things she had. I told her that you have to get out of Australia. So the Maha Puja has been postponed in a way. I'll see to it that we do it, but may not be any one of the Sahaja Yogis from that ashram come. And then to my surprise, all these horrible six women who had formed a group with this woman, wrote a letter to me that "She has uplifted us." And the vibrations were so bad that I just felt the whole vibrations started flowing and fighting with them. I couldn't read the letter. And they felt they have been uplifted.

So in Sahaja Yoga, you can be misled very much by so many things, but now, be careful. Don't try to cheat yourself. Must understand your own value. As I told you yesterday that you are Yogis, you are saints, and you should not yield to anything nonsensical and cheapish. Anybody who tries to do all those things, you should tell them you are yogis. As I told you yesterday that for a person who is a yogi, the whole world is his own family.

Specially it is very much in Europe, I find, and England and America, the women have become very dominant. And they know how to control men by telling them stories about how to look after the family, how to look after the children, how to do that. Sometimes it's amazing. And you get lost with it. I have seen so many of like that. It has created so many problems.

Now I requested all the women to behave themselves and understand they are wives. And whatever blessing they have got from Sahaja Yoga will be all withdrawn if you start misbehaving. And all kinds of miseries will be upon them, not because of me, but because of Ekdasha Rudra. As you put everything on the bhoots, let me put it on all the deities. I don't take any responsibility. Because if you are irresponsible, they'll hit you hard and you will end up with cancer or something very serious and then, don't blame me. This is the situation today. I have known some Sahaja Yoginis who confessed to me that they have been doing this, they have been doing that, they have been talking about families this, that. And they have been hurt. This is to be understood because I think the women in the West do not have intelligence. They are not intelligent. That's the simple equation I have reached. Some have intelligence and even if they are caught up they are sensible, If they are intelligent. But the women here are aggressive but not intelligent.

An intelligent woman is in India. She sees the point. She knows this is Adi Shakti. If her husband is doing something wrong she'll just say "I'll fast for ten days. Will you behave yourself?" or "I'll get out of this house if you don't behave yourself." Is the women in India who have made Sahaja Yoga successful in India; They are very intelligent women.

Here the women lack intelligence because they are so aggressive. They do not see the point, They do not understand who I am. They do not understand, what is our worth. To them all nonsensical stupid things are important. Not all of you but some of you. And because the intelligence is less, you yield to such women who

are stupid. They tell you all kinds of things. They talk well. Here only the women talk, I have seen. Men do not talk. If you see a television, only the women are talking. Men never talk. A child has died, it is the mother who is talking. I don't know how she can talk when her child is dead. She's the one who will talk. And the father will be unhappy, like a mouse sitting there, keeping shut. So many times I have told Sahaja Yogis in England and elsewhere that you are like cabbages. If you behave like this, the day will come when you all will be destroyed by these horrible women. Now women have to understand they are women because they are compassionate, they are forbearing. They are like this Mother Earth. Their ego is so developed. Be careful about it. Why America is finished today ? Because of their women.

I can give you so many examples of Indian girls who are married here. They brought round their husbands. They put everything right. They have slowly and steadily put them properly into Sahaja Yoga. This is a very common failing of the West and I don't know what has happened to the men here. They fell so guilty that they must become like slaves. Is the other way around in India quite a lot in the North India, I should say, that women are very much dominated. We had one Sahaja Yogini. Her husband was a Sahaja Yogi, he was a doctor. He got paralysis. When he got paralysis, his wife started earning money. When she started earning money, he felt very humiliated. Then he dominated her much more. She came and told me, "It was nice when I was not earning—he was much sweeter to me...now I'm earning..." and she was giving every single pie to him. Still he was dominating her, all the time. "Why you didn't do this ? Why you didn't do that ?" She said, "He never did that before. As soon as he's all right, I am going to give up my earnings," she said, "because my husband cannot stand my earnings."

So I have to request you people, first and foremost thing, all the Sahaja Yoginis must know Sahaja Yoga, as well as, the men know. Not just smiling and dressing up is important. In Sahaja

Yoga, you must have the same knowledge as any Sahaja Yogi has. If you have produced children, it doesn't mean that you have achieved something great. Anybody can produce children : dogs, cats, everyone. Also your husbands are responsible partly for it. So nothing you have achieved great by producing children, looking after the children, dominating your husband all the time. How much do you know about Sahaja Yoga ? I know some of them do not know what are the chakras on the feet. They don't want to know anything about Sahaja Yoga. Only they want to use Sahaja Yoga sometimes to dominate the husbands. One has to face it up. How much do you know deeply about Sahaja Yoga.

Most of you have so many problems within yourselves. As I have seen, some of you, as soon as you put hands towards someone, you feel, oh, here, I'm catching here. That's the sign of a regular bhooting. And I have seen people saying that they are sensitive. It's such a misleading thing. I am very sensitive. I am very much higher in Sahaja Yoga. That's not the way you are going to be higher. You have to be absolutely perfect, in perfect health and perfect knowledge about Sahaja Yoga you should have. How many of you have read Advent ? Let us see. How many of you have read full Advent ? Honestly. Honestly. That's good.

Now what I'm trying to say that you have to find out, what is Sahaja Yoga ? Your Guru is a woman. She is the source of all the knowledge. She is the Ocean of all the knowledge. And why should we lag behind ? In all things we want to be absolutely equal, similar to men. Even in dressing up and everything. And what about in knowledge about Sahaja Yoga ? How many have given realizations to others ? Raise your hands. Only the women I am interested in. That's good. So that is what one should be proud of. One should know how much you know Sahaja Yoga mentally, emotionally. How many of you dominate your husband ? Be careful. She is the only honest person, I think. I know all of you who dominate. And try to crush them also, sometimes. I'm requesting you now because you are the Shakti. You are the power behind the man. You are the

one who are going to make them great. You are the ones who are going to build up Sahaja Yoga as a potential energy. You are like this Mother Earth who has to give everything beautiful . . . all these flowers. From where do they come ? All these trees. This Mother Earth looks so simple. But what she gives us, look at that. Look at those beautiful things.

So, one has to understand that to be a good Sahaja Yogini, first of all you have to be an excellent wife. And not a dominating wife, pushing yourself forward all the time. I have realized this very much but now recently, I have got 3-4 cases, in which I'm really Shocked, the way things are happening. And they can hit at me or hit at the leader, hit at anything. Because it's easy for bhoots to get the women than the men. Is true. When you go too much towards the right, you immediately get caught up on the left because you move like a swing because naturally you are the left sided thing and then the bhoots catch you much more that they catch other people. You'll be amazed, that when I see the women, who have led a perverted sex life, are much worse than men. After marriage, men get cured, women do not. They have mental problems, because you must know you are the emotions, you are the desires of the whole world. You are so important, without you nothing can start. If I had not come on this Earth, put all of them together, right from Sadashiva to Ganesh, they could not have done anything. It is a fact. It's me as a woman, as a mother, as a wife, as the spouse has achieved this. And that's what for you, it should be the easiest thing to do because I'm a woman and I've lived like a woman and I've managed so many children, all over the world. Managed the whole show, managed my family also very well. I balanced it very well. And how it is now proved that a woman can not only be a priest but she can be the highest Guru of Gurus.

I put all of you on the pedestal now. So I have to tell you that you have to come up and you have to look after your Sahaja. You are very important because a bad woman and a bad wife is very much more detrimental than a bad man.

I have seen now in Australia happening. One woman has ruined the whole of Australia and one woman can make the whole of Australia a great thing. That's me. I'm very proud to be a woman and I would hate to be a man. Look at Shri Krishna. He had to marry 16,000 women. He had to marry them. He could not have them as disciples. They were shaktis, they were His powers. They had to be women. They would have said, already they are saying, that He was a ladies' man. But to me nobody can say that, because I am a woman and a mother is not challenged. Father is always challenged. Not the mother. So many things you can achieve as a woman. For that you have to know a few things, how to express your pure love to others. How to express your genuineness to others. How to help your husband in Sahaja Yoga.

In the marriage of Sahaja Yoga, you have given a promise to me, that you'll work for Sahaja Yoga and you'll help your husband in doing Sahaja Yoga. You'll help your husband when he's looking after other Sahaja Yogis. And you'll look after other Sahaja Yogis, who come to your house. You'll make your house a Sahaja Yoga center, receive the people in your house and will always try to enhance the collectivity. Under these promises you are married. You are the ones who can show that. It is easy for a woman to be Short-sighted, conceited and mean. It takes time for a man to be that. But with all these possibilities, even if you have another possibility of men to dominate, then you are neither here nor there. You have no sex, then. I mean, I don't know what even to call them then. You better name it, a person who is neither woman nor a man. Let us be women and be proud of it. That's how we can make a very good world for everyone.

So now coming to the major problems of the world. We have seen that I am talking about politics quite a lot these days, and may be one day all of you have to enter into politics, when the proper time has come. Also, I'm going to see this Mr. Jackson in America. Let's see what works out. Also, as you know we are working it out in England. I am going to within 2 years time, to see all these

leaders. And we are going to work it out in a way that is sensible, dignified but it is for you people to show that you are very balanced, good families.

Hello, will you please keep quiet ? Who is that ? Your son is very mischievous. Would you please take him away ? You must teach them how to behave before Mother. You must teach them. One child can spoil all the other children. Be careful. You must smack them sometimes, I think it's necessary. Otherwise the children can never behave themselves. They need two smackings on the left Swadisthana and they're all right. We have to build up societies and families, with proper training, with proper understanding. As I told you, till the age of five years, you can smack them. Till the age of ten years, you should teach them and after the age of sixteen years, they are to be treated just like your friends. But first if you have missed these two points, you can never treat them. They'll just sit on your head. This is the problem also of children in this country.

But today the problems are much deeper than what we think of, a kind of a negative force like Hitler's force is rising up through women of all the countries. Through women this horrible Hitler and all these Germans who died are taking birth. They are becoming like now . . . just like Nazis. So women have to be very careful not to give way to negative forces, that are working within us. They have to be humble, they have to be sweet and sacrificing because they have power to do it. It's only the women who can do it. Not the men. Men can't do it. They have other sweetness about them. Men have some other sweetness about them. But the women have that intelligence which can build the whole world into a beautiful world.

Now what are you doing ? Sit quietly. Will you please sit quietly ? Hello ! If you can't sit quietly, better go away. Sit quietly. Yesterday you were not here and they were all very quiet. Now behave properly. All of you must learn to behave, all right ? You must teach your children when you bring them here or bring anywhere that how to behave. You must teach them. You must tell them. Children

must learn.

Now, so we come to the deeper problems of this world. Is that the mental projection has now shown clearly . . . (Be with me, all of you try to understand.) It's a very deep problem, that if you go to the left or to the right you jump into the extremes, into the problems and you create problems. So we have to keep everybody in the centre. And to keep in the centre, we have to ascend. Now the problem is that, we have many people who have come to Sahaja Yoga. This was never achieved before, never achieved before. For that the main reason was that it was impossible to penetrate into the minds of the people and tell them what is to be done. Everybody tried their level best.

Today only I was discussing Buddha. I said Buddha tried his level best to tell people that they should get out of nonsensical ritualism, and get to their salvation. He tried everything. So when he died, they said, "All right, he has said not to make any statues; we'll make stupas." so they made stupas that they started worshiping. Just the opposite of what he said, that just now you get your salvation, your cleansing, introspection and the middle path. He even went up to the idea that don't have families. With the families means this nonsense. You just take to renunciation, within yourself, so that you see all these things . . . but as usual, as they were again consolidated into their nonsensical things, they made big stupas and things and worshiped. You see that in the life of Christ. You see that in the life of Mahavira. You see that in the lives of all the great incarnations and prophets, Islam and everything. Same thing has happened, that they have perverted it. But who has perverted ? Who has spoiled the whole essence of every great Incarnation ? It was spoiled by the disciples themselves because they were not realized.

Now, the deep problem I find is the women who are supposed to be my disciples will be spoiling Sahaja Yoga—very clearly. I can see it now. I can see it so clearly, absolutely clearly. They are going to spoil because they have become very dominating. Because they think they know Sahaja Yoga. Because

they think they have become very great. A leader's wife thinks she's the leader herself. If you call somebody that "All right, come and do this job for me," the wife thinks she has a right on her husband more than mother has. Is the women who are the culprit today and that's why I want to warn you. Now I have seen it. I can point it out, at least ten women like that who have done it. And now the eleventh. It's just here this is what it is.

And I have to request you to understand that the responsibility will be on you. When it will be written down in history, as Ramayana was written, it was the maid servant of Kaikai, the mother, the stepmother of Rama is the one who is responsible for the whole of thing that happened in the Ramayana. But that was to happen. But where is that Manthara today, and where is that Kaikai? Indians do not take their names. They spit if anybody takes that name. To the dogs they have gone. They thought that time they have achieved a lot. This is what I have to tell you. If you want to go like that, down in the history, because this is a very precarious time we are facing and we have to be very, very careful about ourselves. What are we up to? What are we doing? I deal with the present moment and the present times. And I don't want to say what will happen to you in future. If you have to go to hell, you can go. I'm not going to say who's going to go to hell and who's going to go to heaven, but it is for you to decide through your introspection, to understand what's going to happen.

And I have to specially make a very important request to the women that in these modern times, they are the ones who are going to save the world. Not the men. They have done their job before. Now it is for you to save, with your understanding, with your compassion, with your sacrifices, with your wisdom and the innate love, not only your children, your husband, your family, but the whole world. It is a very good opportunity for all of you to do your bit. It has been a tremendous experience with some of the very great Sahaja Yoginis we have. Some of them have achieved, really, as you can say, the constant state of bliss. Really. Some of them have. In the constant state of bliss. Even

if they are coming, immediately I can feel they are coming. The whole atmosphere waits for them. The whole cosmos, just in complete respectful attendance, is waiting for their arrival. There are women of that quality. We have to take them as ideals and not the stupid, useless, vain women. We have to take them as something great. This is what I have to tell you that the potential within you is very great. Sahaja Yoga should not be limited to you or to your children. So the depth that you have you touch.

The problem of today, that the women have lost their values, they have lost their depth. This is the basic problem of today. They have become competitive, money oriented, success oriented, all nonsensical things. They are not ascent oriented. So you have to be very, very careful. Basically this is the problem you should see and I request all the Sahaja Yogis to be on the watch. The same woman today can be ladder to the heaven or could be a slide downward. Somehow they have achieved that kind of a position now that they can dictate, just like Hitler: took only eleven years. I think these women have taken, I don't know how many years, but now I see them on the scene. A woman without righteousness, a woman without chastity, a woman without humility is not a woman: Compassion is her decoration. I wish I could write like William Blake. I wish he had written about the women of the West and the beauty that they were. And that they have to achieve. Once the women really know their strength, they will make this world a beautiful world, I know that. But not their weaknesses where they fall at the pattern of men. That's their weakness.

So, in this program we have been able to achieve two things. Yesterday I told you about introspection and today I have told you where is the problem. Even if you make a big boat, the biggest boat, which is seaworthy, and make a big hole in it, that boat will be sunk. Even if you have the brightest eyes, but a little hole goes into your eyes, you can't see the skies. And in their subtle method, these women have the knack to put that in your eyes. And they have also the knack to open the complete vision of beauty.



I'm so very happy in India for one reason. Most of the men come and tell me : "It's my wife who brought me to Sahaja Yoga. It is she who exposed me to sahaja Yoga. It is she who's done so much for me and for Sahaja Yoga. And such tremendous respect for the women. Even those who have come here, I've seen some of them have slowly and steadily brought their husbands to Sahaja Yoga. Of course Indians also have some horrid women and when they come abroad, if they are westernized and are exposed to western life also, they can be very horrid too. But innately, a woman's attitude in India is different, that she has to establish the dharma in her family. She has to establish the beauty of God in her family. She has to give all that is good to her children, all righteousness. She has to be humble. She has not to raise her voice. If she raises her voice, then she spoils her children : she teaches them how to raise the voice. She has to, in a way, obey her husband because children should obey her. It works ; the society is much better there than it is here. So this new, movement of women's lib and all that, is a sign of that secret work that is going on. Because women are left-sided, they are sly. They work it out very cleverly and cunningly.

But you all could be like me. You all could achieve all my powers much more than men achieve if you want to. But you have to get out of your small visions and small ideas about glorifying yourself. I'm sure it will work out if you take it upon yourself that we all could do what Mother is doing today. First thing you must learn to cook well. Don't allow men to do anywork in the household. Never, never allow your husband to do anywork in the household. They will just entirely depend on you. Make the best food. Be an expert cook. The husband will be back home. I'm giving you the tricks of the trade. Try to understand your husband like a witness. Sometimes he gets angry for nothing at all and all that. Be a witness to that. He is another child you have. It's a grown up child and you have to look after a grown up child. Be kind and attentive. It is very surprising that you all have not yet learned those tricks. Perhaps your mothers never told you.

We are going to be a very ideal race, an ideal family, an ideal everything, no doubt. We are going to show to the world, whatever people may try tricks on us, we are not bothered. We have to go further and further. Like Ganesha, you can say, a huge big elephant tied with all kinds of ropes and all kinds of chains can go and push forward. In this manner, we all Sahaja Yogis are going to work it out. But the ladies of Sahaja Yoga have to work it out. They have to see that they give that power to their men. If I find any husband weak, I know It's the wife who is a nagger or or who is a dominating person, or who thinks no end of herself. And if I see a man so powerful, I know there's a woman behind him. It's just like electricity and light and a lamp. If the electricity is flowing all right, the lamp is burning. Absolutely that. But if you are identified with these stupid vain women, then you are lost. You'll be finished.

If you know what I am, if you know what I am saying, and if you try to follow what you have to do, then you will immediately see that mother is trying to strengthen our roots. Because you are the roots of the trees. You have to give all the nourishment. You have to be motherly, sisterly towards all the other Sahaja Yogis, not to quarrel, to fight, to say hard things. That's not the job of a woman, not to argue but be quiet and watch out. Even if they are catching on certain chakras, you can cleanse them very well as wives. You can work it out secretly. You can do it. Because the problem, though it looks so dangerous, and so destructive and shocking, the keys are in the hands of the women of today. They can just solve the problem like that if they decide and understand their glory and their value and do not make themselves cheap, hankering after cheap popularity. If I have been able to nail down this great problem to a very precise source of it and if you can manage the source, I'm sure we can manage Sahaja Yoga. We can manage the whole world and the humanity at large is going to be absolutely saved as that is your desire.

*May God bless you.*

# Shri Adishakti Puja

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*"What is Adishakti"*

Today you are all going to worship me first time. It has always been a puja of an aspect of me or part of me. Now one has to know very clearly, what is Adishakti? As you say it is the Pure desire of God Almighty, the Sadashiva. But what is the pure desire of God Almighty? If you see, your own desires come out of what? Not out of divine love, not out of common love, out of material love or out of power of love. Behind all these desires there is love. If you donot love something you will not desire it. So these mundane type of love that you have for which you spend so much of your time uselessly, actually they donot give you satisfaction because that is not true love that you have just, infatuation for the time being and then you just get fed up with it and then you jump to another thing, to another thing and to another thing.

So Adishakti is embodiment of God's Divine Love, is God's Pure Love and in his love what did he desire? He desired that he should create human beings who would be very obedient, would be sublime, would be like Angels; and that was his idea to create Adam and Eve. So Angels have no freedom, Angels are made like that. They are fixed they do not know why they do it! Animals also donot know why they do certain things; they just do it, because they are bound by nature. They are bound by God Almighty. They say Shiva is Pashupati, means He controls all the animals. He is Pashupati. So all the desires come to animals but they donot repent, they donot have ego, they donot think that this is wrong or that is good. They have no Karma problem because there is no ego, because they have no freedom.

At this point comes Adishakti, which was pure love. So think of a father who has put all his love into one personality, then what is left in him? Nothing. He is just watching. What does he think? He is just watching the play of his desire, of his love. He is watching it, how it is working out. And when he is watching that he is very careful because he knows that this personality that I have created is nothing but love and compassion; and compassion itself is such a noble variety that it cannot bear anybody challenging that compassion, troubling that compassion or also in any way demeaning it, lowering it, insulating it. He is so alert on that point and he is very watchful. So a rift has taken place, we should say from him, from his own desire of love.

Now this desire of love has also given a personality means ego, and that this ego has to act on its own. It became, sort of, very independent personality which was free to do whatever it liked. And we can not think in our mundane life that a husband and wife are absolutely free to do what they like, because there is no cohesion, there is no understanding there is not that oneness, that rapport. But it is like a moon and moonlight, sun and sunlight. It is such a cohesion that whatever one does, another enjoys. In that beautiful rift Adishakti decided to change His plan. She is known for her "Sankapvikalp Karoti"; anything you try to decide too much, she will make it different, like today's 11 O'clock Puja. So when this Adam and Eve business started she thought that they will be just like other animals or Angels. What is the use? They must know what they are doing, they must know why

they are doing. They must have the freedom to understand what is the knowledge and like fixed machine like life, that these animals are having, why would they have? So in her arbitrary power which was conceded, of course, She is the one who came as a serpent and told them that you taste the fruit of knowledge. Now for people who are not Sahaja Yogis you cannot tell this. They will be shocked. But this serpent that came for them to test and then to tell them that you better taste this fruit. This serpent told the woman, not the man, because woman is supposed to accept things easily. He may even accept bhoots, he may even accept nonsense but she is the one who accepts. While the man does not accept easily. He argues, he discusses, that is why She came and told the woman. She came and told woman, I should say. This Holy Ghost actually is a feminine and so moves nearer to a woman. This feminine Ghost came as a serpent and told that better you taste the fruit of Knowledge. Now it was the job of the lady to convince her husband because women know how to do that. Sometimes they may convince them wrongly, tell them something which is very wrong, very sinister, as you know, in Macbeth what happened? So many places, we have seen, women have misguided their husbands. But men can be misguided or could be guided or could be emancipated, if they have a proper wife. So he had all faith in his wife, believed in it and they tasted the fruit of knowledge under the guidance of this Holy Ghost who was a feminine personality of God. This cannot be conceived that the people who are just getting a glimpse of Christ or a glimpse of Mohammad Sahib or a glimpse of Nanak Sahib. They cannot understand. They just had a glimpse of them. If they have told people would have said, Wah! What is this? They would have never listened to them.

So at that time, the way the attention was, the way the reception was, they told about Dharma, about ascent. But in India people

talked about Kundalini since long and that she is the Adishakti, reflected within us. Now, you see it is already read it out to you that I will be in everyone of them. Now understand that this Adishakti is the power of love—of pure love—compassion. There is nothing else she has, only the pure love within her heart. But this pure love is so powerful, is so powerful, that is the love she has given to this Mother Earth. Because of that this Mother Earth, the amount of sins we may commit, we may do anything, she is pouring out her love through these beautiful things to all of us. They have also this beauty expressed in every way, of her love through the galaxies you see, through the stars you see. Now if you want to see from a scientific way, then science means it has no love in it. There is no question of love. Even people talk of Yoga, but they donot talk of love and compassion.

When there is no love and compassion there cannot be any divine power in that person. Everything is completely submerged in this Divine love. Everything that is created in this earth. Everything that is created in this universe and universes and universes is all because of the love of the Divine Mother. So this Adishakti's love is something so subtle, is so subtle; you cannot understand sometimes. I know you all love me very much, tremendous love for me, and when I get the vibrations from you, it is like the ripples that reach the shores and again they return back and lots of little little sparking drops are there on the shores also. In the same way, in my heart, I feel your love echoing the beauty of this sparkled Divine love. I cannot explain to you the experience, but the first thing that it creates is that tears come into my eyes. Because it is the compassion, which is 'Sandra Karuna' is 'Ardra', it is not dry. Like a father's compassion should be very dry, alright; do this, otherwise I will shoot you. Do this, mother will say, but she will not say something that will be that hurting. she will have to say something to

correct but her saying is very different from the father's, because she has got Sandra Karuna. Ardra, 'Ardra' is which is not dry. This kind of a heart she developed because of this Divine love that she was having. So every part of the body, everything is created out of Divine love. Every bit of it emits nothing but Divine love. Vibrations are nothing but Divine love.

Now as I have told you before also that this incarnation had to come. The time had come. It was all being seen that the time has come. But there is a difference between fixed time and the time which is Sahaja. Fixed time is such that, you can say that, this train will leave of this time, this will reach this time. You can say that some machinery is producing something, in such time it will produce so many things. But living things which are spontaneous, which are Sahaja, you cannot say time. In the same way this process of freedom. You have the maximum freedom. So one could not say what time this will happen, that people will be available to receive this subtle knowledge of divine love. Knowledge also could be very dry. We had terrible people in India who were busy with the reading and with the recitation of mantras, this, that and they became so dry-so dry that they had just bone structures left and so hot tempered that they looked at anybody and that person will be reduced to ashes. I mean, is this the way you have come on this earth, to do all the tapasayas and everything, just to make somebody into ashes? But that's how they thought that they were very great because they looked at somebody and that person disappears or becomes ashes. There was no idea of benevolence in their heart. First thing that is achieved through this Divine love is your benevolence. The benevolence itself is also a kind of a very misguided word. Benevolence means whatever is good for your spirit. Now as you know the spirit is the reflection of God Almighty, so when the spirit in you starts reflecting itself in its full beauty

then you become the giver, you are no more the person who has to take anything, you become the giver. You are so fulfilled. Now this Advent came at a time which was judged what time it should come. As I said you have freedom, people were going amuck doing all kinds of things. So if you see that just before this we had a big problem of people working out their power, like people will go to India to occupy the territory of India, or to China or besides they went up to Africa and all these places. Even Americans went to, so called Americans, went to America and occupied it.

So this was the time when they were using their freedom for power only. That was not the time for the Adishakti to come. They were the people who were power oriented; not that today we don't have but these were seeking only power and also these territories. It is not important. So it could not be at that time. At that time, one has to fight for one's freedom, for getting out of the clutches of these imperialists and people who were trying to overpower. Now gradually it changed. It changed and changed in such a smooth way! It is very surprising! I saw the change coming up myself. It worked out, as you know, I myself took part in the freedom movement of India. It is important. In India it started, first the freedom from imperialism, started spreading in every country. People started thinking about the freedom; they started understanding that there is no use having colonies and that better come back to your own position. So when this happened, I mean this happened in my own life time, I must say, first people who tried to have freedom in our country died. So many were killed; you know, we have people like Bhagat Singh in every country. All the revolutionaries were thrown out and ill-treated and killed. It is not a question of independence. But that one had to go through, so that, freedom was tested. Now they thought that this was nonsensical thing we did. This was no freedom because after all doing all that

they started repenting and developing a kind of fear and a fright from others and a kind of a very disturbed left Vishudhi started. They felt very guilty, that they have done very wrong. That they should not have done.

At this juncture also there were other problems, like we have caste system and other problems like slavery and all kinds of things—disparities and some people were treated as lower people and some as higher people, some higher races, some lower races. All these stupid things were there. Through their freedom they created. It is not so, it is not the fact, it is not the truth but they created the things like that. Now supposing I want to create something here just to say that alright, this is not a carpet, go on telling you, this is not a carpet. The brain is washed there. This is not a carpet. It is something else. It is like a mesmeric thing I feel the way people accepted this nonsense of racialism and all kinds of disparities of slavery of caste system and specially ill treating women. All this came out of the choice that was given to them to select what is good, what is bad. So to them it was very good, it was a nice thing to do. Under these circumstances compassion would have been wasted on these people, Divine love would have been a waste on them, because mentally people were not prepared to understand. You could not tell them that this is absolutely out of your blindness, ignorance that you are doing this. This is not the right thing for you, this is not right thing. This will not make you noble. This is ignoble. They are doing ignoble things of course, so many saints came, they talked of nobility, of forgiveness, of unity, of oneness, everything they said. Big seers were born. They also reached that point, talked about it. But still people were not prepared so much. Gradually, I think their teachings and all that started working on them.

But the highest problem came with the, so called, religions that they started. All these

religions got derailed and they formed a kind of puddings you see, Muslims here, Christians here, Hindus there. This is this, this is that. So you really needed this river of life to fill up all these puddles and make them one. It is complete ignorance. It is sheer stupidity to think that one human being is higher than another. You can only say one thing that at a different state you are, some are at a different stage, some are at a higher stage, but in general you cannot condemn some body that he is not good, this society is not good. In general individually you can say. In general you cannot say. This ignorance was so dark it became a collective ignorance—collective ignorance. They all joined hands together collectively, to say that this is the religion that is the best, we are only the one who have saved ones. Another said no, no, no, these are absolutely condemned people, we are the best; and under the name of religion, under the name of God Almighty they started this nonsense. So now Adishakti had to assert with the complete force. So the first thing she realised that one should know what is the family. A child grows in the family. If the children do not get proper attention from the father or the mother, we can say, if they are also spoiled or if not spoiled over indulge into or they are neglected, then the child does not know what love is. If a child does not know what love is, love does not mean that you spoil the child or you give him some toys to play and get rid of him.

It means that all the time your attention is on your child and that attention is not indulgence but an attention for the benevolence of the child. So all the time you are seeing that there is benevolence and thus I thought the family life has to be first of all substantiated. Very important; because these days also under the name of religion they have started nunneries and these priests and then sanyasis and all kinds of 'babas' are there. They are so dry and they are so misleading the people that people started taking to this kind of sanyasa, getting

out of their houses, getting away from the wives and children. So the first point I realised, human beings cannot have love, who have not known what is love; and this love is more effective if it is collective. See we must have seen that in India people really love each other in a family. I mean in so many relations we donot know how we are related to them ! We just call them brothers, sisters, these, that, we donot know what is the relationship, whose father or whose sister, nothing, but we just feel this is our brother or if you ask how he is your brother we donot know how he is our brother. The reason is we have joint family system.

The joint family system is just like a collective system. Nobody knew who was his real brother, who was his step brother, who was his cousin, nothing. All live together as just relation. But then this also broke, this joint family also broke because of economic reasons and things like that. So now at this time, when we see this very crucial time, it was, when the people had to know love and the family had started breaking in every country, specially western countries, where men and women never realised the importance of a family life. They never had faith in their family. So it became just a shifty thing for the poor children. They were on shifty grounds. They could not grow properly. So it created a generation of violent, horribly possessed children. This generation, then, went into warmongering. They donot know—they feel like fighting. I have seen children fighting with the tree. I said why are you fighting ? It is nice to fight you know but why are you fighting ? They donot know the reason. There is no love. So everything gets detesting, you see, I don't like it. They try, out of their frustration, to destroy anything that is there. So a new trend started, apart from the war when it was over, naturally the value system dropped. People felt what is the use, you see. We had all these values so what did we get ? And the war, what is the

war for ? War has just killed all our society and killed our children, everybody and what is great about the wars ? So the minds of the people, as a whole, was that somehow or other you just fight that the fittest man is the best. So the one who can dominate, the one who can come up is the best. So the domination of this imperial style of Govt. was over but individually it became a process of domination. With this process of domination, ego started developing. Even to children they used to give education in such a way that children became very arrogant, very artificial, extremely arrogant and artificial. It was impossible to understand why these children were not at all controlled when told that this is wrong !

If the people are not meditating, it is very mundane thing, I must say Dhyana-gamaya, If you are not meditating then I have no relations with you. You are not my relations, you have no right on me. No question is to be asked, why this is happening, why that is happening ? So if you do not meditate, I always say mediate, meditate, I have nothing to do with you. You are no more there for me. If you have no connection with me then you are like all other people. You may be Sahaja Yogi, you might have got your Sahaja Yoga degrees from your leaders, and may be that you are regaded as something great, but if you do not do your meditation everyday in the morning or evening, you will not be, really, in the realm of Shri Mataji. Because this connection is only through Dhyana, through meditation. I know people who do not do meditation. Then they suffer, their children suffer, when something happens then they start coming and telling me, but I see clearly that the person is not meditating. I have no relationship with him, he has no right to ask me anything. In the beginning, of course, meditation takes sometime but once you know what is meditation then you enjoy my company. How you are one with me ! How we can have rapport with each other ! There is no need to have anything else in between-like

writing letters or may be some sort of a, social connection. Nothing. The only thing needed is meditation. In meditation you grow in that spritually, you become higher and when that happens, is that in a way, I would say, when you reach a state of that maturity in Sahaja Yoga, then you do not want to give up your meditation because that time you are absolutely one with me. That doesn't mean that three hours—four hours, you should do meditation. But it is how much intensely you are with me, is important. It is not how much time you have given. Then, I am responsible for you, for your children, for everyone. I am responsible for your ascent, for your protection, to save you from all your negativity. So it's not like a father who will directly punish you. It is not that but it's just alright, you are not my relation, I am alright. But the only thing that can happen, If you are not meditating, It's alright, I cannot force you, I have nothing to do with you. You can have other relations with outside-outward. But this inner relationship by which you get your benevolence, you cannot have without meditation. I have been telling all of you, please meditate, please meditate everyday. But people are not understanding. The importance of what I am saying. They tell me, 'Mother we do not meditate.' 'why?' 'Now we are realised souls, why should we meditate?' Now this instrument is fully made, but if it is not all the time connected with the mains, what is the use of having it? In that meditation you will feel the love, the Divine love, the beauty of that Divine love. The complete panorama changes. A meditative person has a very different attitude, a very different temperament, a very different life. He lives always in complete satisfaction within.

So today, being the first day, as you say, of the Advent, we can say that it is the first day when Advent took place, as you are worshipping today. Of course, it is war, not today but still we can say that if that is true,

if it has happened, and it has been helpful to you, it has been a great blessing to you then must you know how to preserve it, must know how to enhance it, must know how to enjoy it. You should not be just satisfied with one drama or one this thing or one that thing. But you should have a full oneness with the Divine, full oneness. That is possible only if you really meditate, which is quite an easy thing to do. Some people say, Mother we can not get over time, we are all the time thinking something or we want to see the watch. In the beginning you may have little problem, I am not saying you may not have, you may have. Only in the beginning, but gradually you will be alright, gradually you will master it, gradually you will know it so well that you will not like to have anything else of a cheaper type. You won't hear it so to get to your beauty, to get to your glory, to get to your own great personality, which is now exposed, only thing you have to do really, religiously is to meditate. It is not that at night I come very late, so I did not meditate, or tomorrow I have to go for work so I cannot meditate no body wants to know the excuses, it is between you and your self. It is your gain, nobody else's. It is for your gain everything has happened.

Now one has to know what we have achieved. A certain height of relations and from inside you might go up to here, up to here, up to here, not saying it is not possible to do that. But first and foremost thing that whatever you may be, may consider yourself a very high class Sahaja Yogi, you have to be humble about meditation. This meditative quality, even where I am talking to you on the Sahasrara. I am getting into it because it is so joygiving. You just jump into the ocean of you. First it will be difficult, but after sometime you will know that this connection, that you have, is the only connection you were looking after. And also there is another point people get lost with, which I have seen very common with some people, who get lost. They meditate

individually, very much, it is very correct. Individually they will meditate. They will sit down, meditate, do the puja. But collectively they will not meditate. So this is another point one has to remember that you have to be collectively meditative. Because I am a collective being of all beings. When you meditate collectively, you are very close to me. So even if you have a programme or something, you must do some meditation. Always have meditation as priority for every programme. You sing the songs, everything is done, then you meditate. If I am insisting on something, you must know, that this must be the truth I am telling you, absolutely the basis of it. Though it looks rather mundane, it is very important.

Now for us to worship Adishakti, I don't know, because there has been, no prayers or anything about Adishakti. Up to Bhagwati they have gone. Beyond Bhagwati they have not gone. So I don't know what sort of puja you will have ! But let's try something, may be, I think the meditation is the best way we can really achieve something. So we can go into meditation for about five minutes.

Please close your eyes. (Shri Mataji raises the Kundalini of all present) Eleven Rudras are awakened and they will destroy all that is negative. Now ignorance is the greatest negative force. I am sure they will destroy this ignorance of people.

*May God bless you.*



# Lakshmi Must Give You Dignity and Balance

Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi's Pravachana (Talk)

*Diwali Puja—Lisbon 2-11-97*

Today, we have gathered here to worship Shri Lakshmi. In Diwali, in India, they worship Lakshmi because a cruel Rakshasa, called Narkasura, was killed. Also that Lakshmi came out of the sea. At the same time, this is like her different appearances. Lakshmi is the goddess which gives us wealth, gives us prosperity. She is very blissful, no doubt. She gives you protection and also she is very humble because she stands on the lotus. She is very light, means she does not put her pressure on anyone. There are symbols of Shri Lakshmi, but also she's a part of Mahamaya, in the modern times. When people get Lakshmi, the money, they don't understand that she is their mother first, and she is to be respected. When this kind of perverse idea of Shri Lakshmi comes in, such countries, such people meet their last end and destruction of the worst type comes. So, this Lakshmi has to be used with a big balance, like standing on a lotus and not get into the pond, where there are all kind of creatures to eat you up. You have to stand on the lotus, that means you are above all the lures of this Maya. Also in Sanskrit, our language, we call Lakshmi as the Maya. If somebody has got lots of money, they would say, he got lot of Maya. Now, this Maya plays the tricks. If money prosperity was salvation, then there would have been no problems in this world, because those people who have money always get ruined, if they are not ruined, their children, their grandchildren get ruined.

This principle of Lakshmi within us is very dubious and the allurements are so much that if people see somebody having a good car these days, they say, Ah ! what a man he is. In any case, He is not going to give you the car. If somebody is having, what you call, lots of palaces, or buildings, people start admiring him. This is Kaliyuga. They start admiring, see this man is so rich. Even clothes, people see you wearing clothes which are very good tailored, might be from some designers, say, they think no end of that man. For example in England,

there is another befooling place called 'Saville Row'. So if you want to buy a suit, you have to pay sometimes 3000 pounds. Now people are so stupid, that now if they wear a suit from Saville Row, they put the brand outside 'Saville Row'. All such tomfoolery is going on all over the world. The clothes have no meaning, their lifestyle has no meaning. Ultimately they end up in Swiss Bank. The Lakshmi Tatva of Swiss Bank is also now showing its teeth, and if you read what's happening to them, I mean they are shaking. They don't know, they went to this limit that they took the teeth, the golden teeth of the jews! I mean its going too far. All this tomfoolery has been going on. They have military services, why? Who is going to conquer that country? Even Napoleon didn't do that. They have made big case to keep their weapons there. Why? Who is going to attack them? Stupid people, suffering from Ego! But the attack has come and this attack is so serious that they might be completely shattered and destroyed. Now, who falls for this kind of things, you should see, are the people who are crooks, who are dishonest, who are absolutely adharmis. They can be Mafia Dons or they can be some thugs, some black marketeers, some smugglers.

So going against the Lakshmi Principle, so many are doing these days. One fellow, was thrown out of Sahaja Yoga, because he was trying to be very dominating and all. He said that's better, I said why? He is doing now smuggling, making money out of smuggling and has become very rich, according to him. But, it comes to an end and a very tragic, bad end. Money is such a lure for human beings that it kills all cells of decency, of higher values, everything. A brother, say who is very nice and good fellow, if he gets money out of proportion or by doing the hankey-pankey, he neglects his mother, father, brothers, sisters, everything. So I would say then it comes to that point, that Lakshmi becomes a Bhoot there and all her blessings become a sort of a challenge to your dignity.

Now, certain countries, like America, which is the area for Shri Krishna, because he is Kubera, they have no money as such, I have seen, they are all poor, they are all indebted. So many Indians went to America and they can't come to India now, why? We are indebted. Why are you indebted? Oh! we get everything free now, you see bank gives us loan, we can have the best lifestyle. So, they will have three Mercedes, is nothing. We should have Rolls Royces, we should have this. For What? What do you get out of it? Now, of course, little bit they are shaken up with the stock exchange and all that nonsense, they had started, all this joke, and all these very big camouflages. All now are coming out. So, this is no Lakshmi, because Lakshmi must give you dignity, prosperity and respect. I think Americans understood about it, so they became philanthropist, means they are giving money to people. But whom did they give money? All the names these people took from South Africa, where all money, was given by the Philanthropist of America. What has happened to their wisdom that a sixteen year old boy went there and then all ages went there, and made a very big money. All this money making proposition, (can you give seat to those musicians) so what is the matter if there is a blessing of Lakshmi? Why a man who gets the blessing of Lakshmi becomes so funny, so stupid and ultimately ends up his life, that people are not there even to pick up his dead body?

What is the difference between money and Lakshmi? She gives you money, alright, agreed. But when she is giving the money, what happens to that money which comes to you, is a very subtle thing one should understand. In India, if you give, say a 100 Rupees to a servant, immediately he'll go to drink somewhere. First, idea will come, what you should do, he'll go for a drink of the hard ones. I mean, your Vodka is nowhere near that, such hard ones they make in India, you know. It is called as हाथपट्टी means made with hands. So, in hundred rupees they are willing to go, I mean that any money you give to them, it spoils their life completely. Lakshmi has been given, alright. So what happens to this Lakshmi? She changes her form and her form is so bad, that you are completely ruined with that. So, now we have to understand, what is the way we can use the

Lakshmi. Supposing I get money, supposing. Then I will go to the market, say, and I'll see something nice, Ah! this is very good for this Sahaja Yogi or I'll say this will be very handy for our Ashram, Immediately the mind starts working in a very socialistic way, I should say not individualistic. For example, I went to Rajasthan and I saw such a lot of sand, just like a big desert and people starving! So, I said, how to get money to these people? I said, let me start a factory, factory with unbreakable glass, which they make only in France. They make it very cheap, it is very cheap thing, not in India. In India, if you go to some elite's house, They'll offer you tea in, in these unbreakable things. They think its very elite, depends on what you think about what! And they are very proud of it, so I said if we make these things in India, these poor people, you know, because there is so much of sand and sand is needed by trucks. So I will utilize this to make this beautiful factory here and then give them some support to live well.

Now when I went to one place called Varna. You all had come also once, there is a gentleman, who was a disciple of Gandhiji. He has organised this Varna company for distributing milk. It became so very rich, so very rich, its a co-operative, so he started giving money to all the co-operative people, those who are labour there. Now, this labour had never seen that money. So, he came to me, touched my feet and said, Mother you tell me, now what should I do? I am so unhappy with the development of this Varna, because there are prostitutes who have arrived from Bombay, there are all kinds of hard drinks which have come from Bombay and these people are smoking like hell, they are taking drugs. Hain! Yes, wherever there is money the drug goes there and the children are becoming absolutely useless. They don't want to study, they even slap their parents. So he said that this was not Gandhiji's ideal. Now what has happened? He says, this is curse of money and he was crying. Now, how can Lakshmi become a curse. It does, it is in the Nabhi, what a central position it has? And when this Nabhi starts working it is a very remarkable thing, that you feel gobbling the food all the time, with this Nabhi. You go on eating, go on eating, like mad and then some bhoot comes in to eat also with you, inside the

Nabhi. Then you can eat so much that no human beings can eat like that, except for the people who are rich. then you start a big science of, what you can call, etiquettes. I don't want to hurt anybody, I mean if you are eating well, I don't mind. Eat well, but the first part is, because today is Diwali I am trying to tell you all these interesting stories.

I went many a times for dinner with French diplomats. My goodness! Now me and my husband don't drink, so 45 minutes they were discussing what they will have today, then they remembered, yesterday they had that, day before they had that, so there should be variety, so then they came down to something. Not all of them drinking the same, different different. So, they came to some point. Alright we will have this, but some people asked for something, which was not available. So they said, you have to have it, and they shouted at them. My Goodness! They took 45 minutes to decide what they are going to drink. Its regarded as French etiquettes, I think, and we two chief guests, myself and my husband, looking at this man and looking at that woman, didn't know what to do with these etiquettes of these people. We were thinking now better go, then came the food. They are so particular-I like this and I like that. They are worse than Indians, I tell you. They took atleast, atleast eighty minutes to decide what they will eat? Ultimately they found something nice. Each different, and the guest of the people were trying to pamper there ego. Oh, what a thing you have chosen! This is the best, wah, wah, wah. So, they started seeing. The cheese was smelling so awful, I tell you, we couldn't bear it, you know, both of us. So my husband told them today is our fasting day, for both of us. He said why is it a fasting day. He said, in India, we have fasting like this, sometimes we have to fast. Today is our fasting day. I told him, here one day you are saying, today is our fasting, but we have to go to so many dinners, what will you do? He said everywhere better to say, that we are fasting. Such a horrible cheese they brought and they started boasting that they have two hundred types of cheese. Wow! I said, two hundred types of the smelly ones! Where did you get? They said, this is French perfection. See this, I said what is this French perfection? But, then you know tears came into my eyes. Sir C.P. said why are you crying? I said, I am not crying but I think what will happen to these people with their

cheese? Where will they go? Even if they go to hell, people will throw them away with the smell of cheese.

Then I read how this cheese came in? So, they said there was a big snowfall and they had put some big-big containers, in a cave, of milk and people forgot about it. Snowfall was there for about twenty days or whatever it was, and they just forgot about it. So after one year, they got the smell coming out of it. So, they went and saw the cheese being formed. Can you imagine! This is beginning of the end. Actually, one should never eat anything that is kept overnight, normally. But now, they have got fridges, so you can keep it for two days, three days at the most. Like on the ship they keep it. But this I wouldn't understand that this cheese which they told me is very old, I said really? And they sell it by that, what old it is and their wines, if they are say, two hundred years old, it is two hundred times more expensive. So, it's such a bhootish thing to eat all that. So, when the Lakshmi goes into the hands of bhoots, on a very less level I should say, is this, then it goes into the heads of people who want to exploit money, exploit poor people, exploit countries which are downtrodden. Go on like this, collecting money, you know, looting, looting.

When English came to India, we didn't know, they used to take bribes. On Diwali day, If you went there without any present. They'll say bakshish. You must give some present and what they liked was our country liquor. I never knew this but later on I came to know because my husband became Collector of Meerut (मेरठ). There were bottles of country liquor kept in that house. That house was itself more than a hundred years old. Long time back, it was kept there, still, some of them, you see, and we could have sent them to England to sell. That would have been a good idea. So, the older it is better. This Lakshmi, I think becomes old and dies and there is Alakshmi. Alakshmi means when you have money and you don't have the qualities of a person who should have money. In that quality of Alakshmi, you become very miserly, you don't even want to help your brothers and sisters. You don't want to give any money to anyone, and even if you give it, you give it to false gurus and wrong things. This is upto we can say is Alakshmi. The behaviour becomes very arrogant. So arrogant, that you behave like

horses, you know. People look like horses, they walk like horses. But I don't know that if the horses have ego. If you see these people you just don't understand, what's gone wrong with them you see. There is one gentleman who started Aeroplane business in India. I won't take his name, but say some Majidia or something. My grand daughter met him, with her was my grand-son-in-law and they were walking like this, talking like this. They can't understand these two persons. So, They came and talked to them, who you are and all and then they said, we are this Majidia, My grand daughter said—who is Majidia? My goodness, they fell from heavens! You don't know who are Majidia, do you read newspapers or not? Then her husband come in. He said I do. Now what do you want to say—we are Majidias. He said who are Majidias? You don't know? How sort of business you do? What is this? Such stupid thing they did, that these children felt it's no use having any business. If business means this kind of behaviour, very indecent, very arrogant. They don't know how to relate to people, they don't know and after sometime I heard that their business was completely finished or flopped, they call it flop.

So now, we have to realise that this Lakshmi, now it takes us to wrong things. Firstly, she makes you very egoistical. Somehow, the man who has money starts behaving like that. One cannot understand, how a person who was normal, suddenly becomes like this, starts talking like this? He might earn money, even in the horse races. Around the Lakshmi is the valency of Dharma. Around the Lakshmi is the Dharma and this Dharma if you cross, that's the best place where they can cross the Dharma, then you can do whatever you like. Which is Adharmi, which is religious, which is heinous. You have to first cross that limit of Dharma. You have to first deviate from Dharma. Now, as I had said many a times that there are 10 valencies, human beings have got. But apart from that, there are many Dharmas which are surrounding you. Like Angels. First Dharma is your love for humanity, is the first Dharma, but if you say from that end start, it starts with 'स्त्री धर्म' is the Dharma of the woman. How she should live? How she should get married? How she should look after her children? What should be her behaviour, all is 'स्त्री धर्म' and then is 'पति धर्म'—How should be a husband? How should he behave towards his family? How should he pay attention

towards his wife—about the whole, entire family. The whole parivar, as they call it, all the relations, that is his Dharma. But beyond that is, the Dharma of Satya Dharma—How much he sticks to truth?

Then the Dharma for creativity. In creativity as you know very well, these days with money people are standing on their heads or I don't know how, what they are doing? The amount of nonsense they are producing all over the world, in the name of modernism, is in no way 'कला धर्म', no way. Then we have also, what you call is Politics 'राज कारण धर्म'. This Dharma is also there. Now taking bribes, I mean the kind of things that are going on, corruption, all kinds of things that are going on. Competition, fighting and all that. They are falling from their Dharma of 'राज कारण'. Education, same thing, we call it 'शिक्षा धर्म'. All such things are Dharmas. There's a kind of principle, which we have to keep. Otherwise we can topple down from the lotus, and that's what happens now we have also 'राष्ट्र धर्म'. The 'राष्ट्र धर्म' is that's your country. You must, there's dharma of your 'राष्ट्र' when you have to fight for your country. You should, but you should not be aggressive on other countries. It's not right to dominate other countries, nor you should bring bad name to your country. It's very important. Sahaja Yogis have all these intact, absolutely, because you are standing on the lotuses, already. You don't have this problem, normally no. once in a while, there are people who behave like that but mostly Sahaja Yogis don't fall into these traps, that's why their Lakshmi Tatva will definitely improve. They'll have little problems here and there, but without problems, if you get Lakshmi, you'll not have value for that. So, with little problems you get Lakshmi. But Lakshmi, doesn't give you all this imbalance. Such a man has to be extremely balanced because, beyond that is the step of Mahalakshmi, where your seeking starts, where you become a seeker. You go beyond Lakshmi principle and this Mahalakshmi principle starts coming into you. I would say in this western countries, this consumerism has started and it's such a funny one. In America, one lady was married to an Indian and he used to tell me, how this consumerism works? I said how? he said, I gave my wife money to buy two shirts for me, because I had no shirts. She went and bought five skirts. So, I said you have so many skirts, why did buy skirts? Because, in this money, I could buy five skirts, instead of two shirts, so I bought five skirts. So, he said I can't wear skirts. So, how should I

correct her? I said, you do one thing, tell her I want to buy some skirts for you and go and buy five shirts. Then she would realise that if the money was given to her for one purpose it should be used for that. This is a very subtle principle, which I follow, because I don't understand money. So what I do, whatever money I get, I put packets. This is for this, This is for this, this is for this-into packets because I don't understand, you know, and I can't write accounts, you know. I am very bad at all that, somebody else does that. Now, if I spend some money from one packet, for some emergency, then I again fill it back, it's written there so much is there, so much is there. So the money is available at the right time for whatever I want to do and the money is in the packet. It is not in the, sort of a, open thing that I just want to buy a Mercedes, I want to buy a Rolls Royce. No, nothing doing, It is for some purpose and there is no need. So, when you go to the shop and you see something, you won't buy, because that money is not kept for that particular thing. For Sahaja Yogis, it's very easy to handle their money with respect. So, you go to any shop, you won't buy anything. But, my nature also is spontaneous.

So, I went to Frankfurt, they said Mother, there's a very nice watch shop. I just thought, I am going to get three son-in-laws and what will I give them. So, I went to that shop and I found such beautiful things. But I had not kept any money for the watch. But I said, I must buy. One of the watches turned out to be a very unique one, I must tell you, which is no more available. Because of my eyes, I saw, this is something unique and my son-in-law is, I mean. So overwhelmed, so overwhelmed, quite rich, he has no problems, but he said, this watch, you cannot get. Then an article came about that particular watch. So, he has kept it with him. You see, to have something, it should have value behind it, that is the Dharma part, value behind it. What is the value? When you want to buy something, just don't buy because you are mad, I mean instead of shirts you buy skirts, not that way. But anything that has a artistic value or some special value then you should buy that. Now this Saree, I am wearing. It has a special value, why? Not that it's made with hands, it has a very beautiful design. This was made in a place called Paithan (पैठण), which was the capital of a kingdom which belonged to my fore-fathers, the Shalivahanas. This saree was made there (पैठण), and

they used to sell it to people. Now they have become expensive, in those days, they were cheaper. Now, it has that value, they are very honest, very religious. They were called 'Shalivahanas' because they used to give shawl to the goddess. They spread their kingdom very much and also there is a calender in their name.

But, the kind of life they lead, they were just very generous people and they have made beautiful temples and beautiful places for people to rest near the river. I mean so many beautiful things they have done. Apart from them Rama and Sita, when they went to 'Dandkaranya' (दण्डकारण्य), they went to this place and this is the place where Sita took her bath. There's a little river flowing there and how it was covered from all the sides and how the light was coming, so beautiful. But whatever Rama had done, they redecorated it with the Rajput style of art. Then also there was a very beautiful temple, I saw, that they had made. Also, I don't know how there was some water flowing and there was Shri Mahadeva's (a big thing) Pinda and also there was a Parvati's statue, so old as that! I don't know if it was put by Rama or by my own, you can call them, the grand, great great grand parents. But the beauty about that place, that it shows that Sita used to worship Mahadeva. The water was flowing somehow by nature, inside up there in a steam and she used to take the water and put it on that Pinda. How deep these people were? They built that temple, such a beautiful temple they have built. So many temples are built like this in India by people who had money and they believed that, if you spend your money in this kind of work you are blessed. There I bought a land near the river Nira, that's my own name Nira, and this land, I just bought without thinking, and what they told that their Guru, Shalivahanas Guru was Shandilya and this place belonged to him, long time back. It was an ashram of Shandilya, exactly the same and that land I bought, very surprising. Then in the newspaper, it came out, every thing about that land and that this land was the place where, the great devotee of Shri Vishnu, Prahlada prayed. You must have heard about prahlada. His mother had a husband named (हिरण्यकश्यप), Hiranyakashyapa. Horrible Rakshasa. So she ran away from there and Indra helped her. He brought this lady to the place of Guru Shandilya and Shandilya told Indra, that you don't put any effort for her, I'll look after her, and the child, that is going to be born to this lady,

is going to get the (Avtara) incarnation of (नरसिंह), Narsimha. You know Narsimha is the man and the lion. He said how can that be. So Indra left her there. The child was born. Till 5 years that child used to play in that grand land which I have bought. I didn't know about it. But I just saw it, I was surprised. But when the child grew up to 5 years, he had to go back to his father. I don't know how many of you read about Prahlad raise your hands. I would like to know. The little boy-prahlada, his father tried to kill him and tortured him. But he had certain boons, so Shri Vishnu appeared as Narsimha, means the lion and the human form, and then he killed this Hirnyakashyapa (हिरण्यकश्यपा), the father. Now, imagine how much it was, that thousands of years back, this must have happened and that I should purchase that land. There is a very beautiful temple built about 300 years back by Maharashtrians. So the story is that Prahlada came into the dream of the people who wanted to build the temple and told them that I have already made the statue of Narsimha along the river Nira, Imagine, the name of the river is also mine and if you can walk along the banks of Nira river, very close to the temple, I have made the statue, in sand. Its a miracle. So they went there, and saw the statue. They brought it back and installed it in that temple. It is still there, made of sand. Also they say there is a kind of a river or a waterflow upto, very small one, like the finger, flows down from the top. God knows how ?

So, now see the value. The value of the money which was collected to build this temple has such an old value. So, the value is not money, this, one should understand. What is the value of the thing ? You want to give something to others, then the feelings you have in your heart, is the value and that value is the real Lakshmi. When you are building a house, the plans you make, or things you do, what is the idea behind and what you are trying to express through that house is the value of that house. Once, you understand, that you have to buy with this Lakshmi or you have to use this Lakshmi for certain value and not for showing off or for money. This superficialness that we have about money itself is like on ordinary glass. But if you put behind the glass, the Mercury, you can see the value. So, when you start buying something, what is the purpose ? Why are you buying ? This will determine the value. Like last time I came to Portugal and I said—that we will go and buy some

terracotta. But that is very expensive—I said, this is the price. But I wanted to buy terracotta from Portugal, because it is very rich in that. So, we went to one factory, and the factory was quite far off. None of them could find it but I told them, it's here only, just go and see and then we bought the terracotta. But, on our way I told, stop, stop, stop. They stopped, there was a shop. I had to buy something for Sahaja Yogis in India and also for some people in Cabella and that shop had such beautiful cottons. There were Sahaja Yogis from here who saw that such beautiful clothes and I bought lots of it. I said thank God ! Presents are finished. Now for India. So joy giving it was ! Everybody was surprised. Why, suddenly in a place, where mother has never been, suddenly She finds. It has a value, because I wanted to buy something for Indians to be given as presents.

So if your Lakshmi is, say, this much, once you add to it value, it becomes so big. The sign of a person, who is Lakshmi pati is this : He should have a house like the Lotus in the hands of the Goddess. He should protect people who are depending on him, and from the left hand he should give. This is the image of the Lakshmi. This is what the Lakshmi is within you. If you have these four things in balance, without conditioning, without ego, then you are a Sahaja Yogi, otherwise you are not. On a Diwali day, we have to promise ourselves that whatever we are going to get now as Lakshmi's principle or as a Lakshmi's prasad should be used in getting things which have value and this you'll learn that you have used your Lakshmi very well. And with that your Mahalakshmi principle becomes very strong. It will become very strong by which you'll ascend very fast. Today, is a day for us to celebrate the Lakshmi Puja but Lakshmi Puja doesn't mean that you worship money. Money, as it is, is the most dangerous thing and I think it is the hidden weapon of Lakshmi Devi. See, if you try to misuse her, she goes on punching with you. When with one punch if you don't realise, then she gives you another punch. Like that, then she might little bit twist you, to suggest. She'll try everything to convince you that what you are doing is nonsense, ultimately she sees your destruction. So, the Lakshmi, though she is the one who is the giver of boons, giver of everything, you should not be misled by the Mahamaya character. I am your Mother, so I better tell you to be very careful.

*Thank you very much.*



*'Every Individual has to work  
it out for himself so the  
whole can be alright.'*