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75th Birthday Celebrations



Be Joyful!

The entire universe has to receive the bubbling streams of your love.

Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi

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On the occasion of the birthday celebration of Guru Nanaka, often we hear his devotees chanting

'Satguru Nanaka Pragatya, Miti dhundh jag chanan hoya'

When Guru Nanaka incarnated on this earth, the darkness of ignorance vanished and the world was filled with effulgent light. Guru Nanaka was a realised soul, a Guru, a saint who could give realisation to only two of his followers. But the mother Adishakti — whom Adi Sankaracharya, in his great hymn, describes as under :

*अविद्याना-मन्त-स्तिमिर-मिहिर द्वीप-नगरी, जडानां चैतन्य-स्तबक-मकरन्द-सुतिझरी।
दरिद्राणां चिन्तामणि गुणनिका जन्म जलधौ, निमग्नानां दंष्ट्रा मुररिपु - वराहस्य भवति॥*

*Avidyahan antas - timira - mihira - dvipa nagari, Jadanam chaitanya - stabaka-makranda - Snti jhari
Dridranam Chintamani - gunanika janma -jaladhau, Nimagnanam danstra mura-ripu - varahasya bhavti*

(Saundarya Lahri)

The dust of Thy feet, O Devi, is the island city, where from takes place the luminous sun rise of spiritual illumination driving away the over-casting darkness of ignorance in the hearts of devotees. It forms the cluster of flower buds, from which gushes forth the nectar of intelligence, enlightening the dull witted. It is a veritable necklace of wish-yielding gems for the poverty stricken. And for those immersed in the ocean of Samsara, it becomes their uplifter like the tusk of Vishnu (which raised the earth from submergence in pralaya waters, when He incarnated as the cosmic Boar, Varahavtara).

Adishakti Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi is the only source of spiritual enlightenment. One of Her glance (Kataksha) is enough to give self-realisation to thousands and thousands of seekers enmasse. In Public Programmes most of the seekers raise their hands confirming that their Kundalini is awakened and that they have felt the Divine Cool Breeze (Chaitanya Lehri) on their Sahasrara. She is Sahaja Yoga Dayini. A glimpse of Her washes away the sins of all previous lives. ('*Tujh ditthe Sache Patshah Mal Janam Janam Di Katiye*' says Guru Nanaka).

75th Birthday of this Maha-Avtara, the perfect incarnation who incarnated on this earth, in the Mahamaya form, fell on 21st March 1998. The Sandrakaruna, The Beloved Mother of all Sahaja Yogis had been kind enough to bless the capital of India to organise the 75th Birthday celebrations.

All hearts went out in Joy! It is a life-time opportunity for many of us! It should be a grand function! It should be an event of the century! Ejaculated some of the Sahaja Yogis. The Divine Forces, from all over the world joined hands to do their bit to make the occasion memorable. Bharatiyam the scouts ground of Delhi – was once again chosen to be the venue. Five splendid Toran Dwars (Welcome Gates) were put, the 5th, the entry to the pandal, was a Palace Gate (Hawa Mahal) made in Jaipur style. Many beautiful chandeliers and luminous lights were put in the high-domed ceiling of the auditorium. Ten feet wide wooden platform was erected around the auditorium to increase the seating capacity.

The exuberant back-drop of the stage was prepared by Mr Khobar — the Sahaja Yogi horticulturist — not with colour and brush but with the lush green hilly plants embedded in soil, studded with stones. It looked like a small hillock from the bosom of which the water was falling and making it look heavenly. Small candle lights put on it, on the Birthday, reminded the Indian seekers of

the mythical Drongiri Mountain which Hanumana had brought to cure Lakshmana of the venom of enemy's arrow. Delhi Yuva Shakti worked round the clock to decorate the stage and the auditorium which had a capacity to seat 8000 people. Out of the various committees made, one was to receive and accommodate Sahaja Yogis pouring in from abroad and from various parts of the country. A huge hanger was put as Dining Hall where more than 3000 Sahaja Yogis could take their meals.

Every Sahaji — men or women, from the country or abroad — was there to pour out his heart. The only desire, the purest one, was to please our beloved Divine Mother. Every heart prayed :

*Devi prapannarti hare Prasad, Prasad Mat Jag to Khilasya
Prasad Vishveshwari pahi Vishvam, Twamishavari Devi Chara Charsaya*

O Devi, the remover of pain and sufferings of the devotees! Pray be happy! O Mother of the universe, be happy! O Goddess of the world, pray protect this world. O Devi! The whole universe depends upon Thee. Thou art the sole support of this world, since thou have established thyself in the form of Mother Earth. Pray be happy.

Always true to Her promise :

'Pushpam, Phalam, Toyam'

The Divine Mother blessed the international collectivity of Sahaja Yogis, with constant flow of Chaitanya. For six days and nights all of us swam in the ocean of Divine Cool Vibrations that emanated from our Divine Mother.

Salutations to Thee, O, Mother Divine! Salutations to thee again and again!

*तनयासं पांसुं तव चरण - पङ्केरूह - भवं, विरिचिः संचिन्वन विरचयति लोका - न विकलम्!
बहल्येन शौरिः कथमपि सहस्रेणं शिरसां, हरः संक्षुद्र्येनं भजति भसितोद्धूलन - विधिम्*

(सौन्दर्य लहरी)

*Taniyamsam pamsu tava, Charana - pankeruha - bhavam
Virinchi Samchinvan Virchayati, Lokan - avikalam;
Yahatyenam Shaurih Kathamapi, Sahasrena Shrisam
Harah Sankshudyanam bhajati, Bhasitoddhoolana - vidhim.*

Gathering a minute particle of dust from thy lotus feet, Brahma, the creator, brings into being this universe (limitless and mysterious) without any imperfection, the sustentator Vishnu as Adisheha somehow supports this universe (made out of that dust particle) with his thousands hoods. And Mahesha the destroyer, crushing that particle of dust into powder, rubs the ashes all over His body (at the time of dissolution - Pralaya)

O, beloved Mother of all Sahaja Yogis, O, Mahamaya incarnate, we the Sahajis from all over the world pray to Thee, with our heart, that please bless us to be the smallest molecule of the dust of Thy Lotus Feet and let the meditation of your Holy Feet be the only joy for us.

Felicitation Programme

The Bismillah (20.3.98) of the Prakashotsava — The Festival of Enlightenment — was made with the colourful Felicitation Programme. Besides our beloved Divine Mother and Sir C.P. Srivastava, the function was graced by honourable distinguished guests and Sahaja Yogi brothers and sisters from all over the globe and various parts of the country. Shri Balram Jakhad — Former Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Shri P. Chidambaram — Former Finance Minister of India, Shri Sunder Lal Patwaji — Former Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Aizaj Rizvi — Food and Civil Supplies Minister of U.P. and Chairman, Minority Cell, BJP and Shri Rahul Bajaj — the renowned industrialist were amongst those who felicitated Shri Mataji and expressed their gratitude to the Divinity.

Shri Balram Jakhad (*M.P. and Former Speaker of the Lok Sabha*) started in Hindi language. Wishing long life to Shri Mataji, he shifted over to English and said: "All around I see faces from all over the world. That is brotherhood, that is what human kind is, that is Her greatness because in our own Shastras we have said one thing, our forefathers said it :

सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनाः सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः
सर्वे भद्राणां पश्यन्तु, माँ कश्चित् दुःख भाग भवेत्

No body should be hurt, nobody should be in pain, everybody should be good. That is what She is, that is what She does for others and secondly She has proved to the whole world that the whole world is one brotherhood *वसुधाएव कुटुम्बकम्* (this whole earth is one).

The people of the world don't realise it but the time has come to realise what our forefathers have said. What She epitomises today is

यत्र विश्व भवते एक नोडम् where the whole world is supposed to be a single nest. It is not much bigger, it is like a small nest, in which we all have to exist. That is due to Her love, Her blessings. That is what I wish that we should live for each other, to stay always healthy, always benign. What can I say, It is a question, it is a flow, it is a flow of love, affection,

blessing, just like the Ganges out of the Gangotri. That is what you are!

You are goodness incarnate in human form; that is what I call her! Mother, I want to speak for hours I must speak as tall as I am, but I cannot do it because I have to catch a train. You will excuse me, but I want to say one thing from all of us here, there will be one tribute for us always, please continue with all of us in this bodily form, benign blessing-giving and healthy with a good smile as ever.

Shri P. Chidambaram (*Former Finance Minister of India*) eruditely said: Shri Mataji Shri Nirmala Deviji, Sahaja Yogis, distinguished guests. This is my second meeting with Shri Mataji, my first meeting with Sahaja Yogis and to be candid I feel quite bewildered and quite humbled. I ask myself what brings so many of you from all parts of the world, from all parts of India, from all parts of this great city on this occasion? What moves 5000 people belonging to different faiths, different communities, different backgrounds together under one tent? What inspires so many of you to be so devoted, so humbled, so united, so joyful? I ask myself if all this can happen to 5000 people on one evening, why cannot this happen to 5 billion people of this world? And in the more limited way, why cannot it happen to 95 crores people living in this great ancient land? Sister Nivedita was one of the principal disciples of Swami Vivekananda. Her biographer wrote and I quote —

"Faith is not built on the syllogistic foundations of reason, but is built on the unseen rock of intuition."

Faith has moved all of you to this place, love has united you and I join all of you in paying homage and seeking the blessings of Shri Mataji. I am too small, too insignificant, to ask anything more except the blessings of Shri Mataji and all of us gathered here, and all the Sahaja Yogis and all the people of the world. I seek your blessings. I seek your love, I seek your guidance. Guide the people of this world.

Thank you very much.

Mr. Philips Zeiss (Germany)

Humorously playing with the three minutes time limit, imposed by the organisers, displayed his balance of mind, a boon bestowed by Shri Mataji. He expressed his gratitude as under :

Holy Mother, most respected Sir C.P., honoured guests and dearest Sahaja Yogi brothers and sisters from all over the world. Yesterday the organisers have asked us to contribute to tonight's programme with very short addresses; infact they have asked to speak for no longer than three minutes. So I find myself facing one of the fundamental problems, each and every Sahaja Yogi is facing in his relationship to his Mother, Shri Mataji. How can I express my love and gratitude to Shri Mataji? How should I do it in only three minutes? And I thought that only with the powers, Shri Mataji has bestowed upon Her children in Sahaja Yoga, I can manage this task. Shri Mataji you are the Primordial Mother, having taken your birth in 20th century, how can I thank you only in three minutes? You are the Avatara (अवतार) of the modern time, who have descended for the emancipation and salvation of the mankind. How then I can thank you only in three minutes? Shri Mataji you are the mother of thousands, thousands and thousands of Sahaja Yogis to whom you have given the most precious gift, the Divine can bestow upon human beings, self-realization, awakening, rebirth. How then Shri Mataji can I thank you only in three minutes? Talking about myself when I first met you Shri Mataji I was nothing but a youngman, lost and confused and without any orientation and you have not only given me rebirth and self-realisation but even more; you have given me a material existence, you have given me a wonderful family, you have given me a profession, you have given me a social position, you have given me a status and much more above that, you have given me a position in Sahaja Yoga from where I can help and contribute to your Divine Mission, Shri Mataji. How then can I thank you only in three minutes Shri Mataji? So you all can imagine I found myself in a big dilemma, when I was thinking what to say tonight and one hour before I left I got an inspiration and I took refuge to poetry :

*The Star shines a billion nights
And still not able to express your beauty,
The Sun is shining a billion days
And is yet not able to reflect your light,*

*The nature has nourished a billion plants
But never been able to equillize you in motherly love,
All the birds are singing the praise of your name in
morning hours,*

*But have never been able to name all your qualities,
The learned man have filled billions of pages with
knowledge.*

*But have never been able to reflect a glimpse of your
wisdom.*

*The Musicians have composed billions of harmonies
But they never matched the effect of your smile.*

*The poets have written billions of verses
But have never been able to describe the magic of
your Divine Being*

*How then can I be able to thank you only in three
minutes?*

Expressing his gratitude, **Sh. Gregoire de Kalbermatten** (Senior Officer in the Environment field of United Nations) said: Shri Mataji, Sir C.P. excellency, distinguished guests, (Shri Mataji I must confess that I reached Philips' anguish and thank you for the two minutes.)

Shri Mataji two years ago I was sitting in a plane, I was coming for your birthday and I was wondering what kind of gift I could bring you! That turned out to be a puzzling question. What handicraft for Bhagwan who created art, what candle for the sun, what milk for the moon, what drop of water for the ocean, and then Shri Mataji, I found out that we have something you don't have. We can walk from darkness towards light, You can't. We can move from slavery towards freedom — you can't — you are the essence of freedom, We can move from conditioning and ego towards a state of bliss and of recognition. This you can't — Shri Mataji you can't recognise the Divinity because you are what you are, you have been, you will ever be, but we can discover you but you can't. And this, my friends, is the secret of what in India they call it Leela, because God needed our consciousness to discover, how fantastic it is to discover Divinity, without us how should you do it? So Shri Mataji we offer you for your birthday, this pilgrimage from darkness towards light, from enslavement towards freedom. We pledge that we will do some justice to your message, that we will improve ourselves. Shri Mataji, we express our deep deep gratitude and love and just with your permission I end, (I think I am within that five minutes) with just a last thing I want to say, Shri Mataji because

we are in this land of Bharata that we very deeply respect and we pray that this foundation of wisdom will bless the world through your message. What I want to say Shri Mataji is this :

Gurur Brahma, Gurur Vishnu, Gurur Devo Maheshwara, Gurur Sakshat Parbrahma, Shri Mataji Nirmala Ma, Tasmai Shri Guruve Namah.

Dr. Brian Wells (Medical Director of the largest Mental Health Organization of U.K.) called Sahaja Yoga 'The Perfect Science, The Pure Science, The Divine Science.' He spoke as follows :

Shri Mataji, brothers and sisters in Sahaja Yoga. Shri Mataji on the eve of your birthday it is such an honour and such a privilege to stand before you. It is also a humbling experience *and as a man of science and doctor of medicine, I stand before you like a spec of sand before mount Kailasha.* I stand here in awe and I stand here in amazement, in humility and in love. The colleges, the universities, the libraries, the computers contain a lot of information. Shri Mataji, its not awe, it is complete rubbish compared to the wisdom you bestowed. Shri Mataji we know nothing. The science you teach us is the pure science, the science you teach is the perfect science, the science you teach us is the Divine science. Shri Mataji the technology and the medicine today does nothing compared to the simple Bandhan that you have taught us to perform. Shri Mataji you heal us in our physical bodies, our psychological health and in our spiritual beings. There are no drugs, there are no medicines, there is no science, there is nothing more powerful than your inspiration and your love. Shri Mataji on the eve of your birthday, thank you very much for your wisdom and may you have many more birthdays.

Thank you

Surrendering himself 'fully' to Shri Mataji our esteemed **Sir C.P. Shrivastava**, in his scholarly style said :

Shri Nirmala Mataji, this is the first time I have addressed Her as Mataji; I think on her 75th birthday celebration, time has come for me to surrender myself fully to Her; Shri Patwaji, Shri Rizviji, Shri Rahul Bajaj ji, dear Sahaja Yogis, Sahaja Yoginis, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen: I regard

myself singularly fortunate to be standing here before you today to participate in these momentous celebrations. Mr. Chidambaram asked one question, he said, how is it that so many people are here, today, from all parts of the world; what is it that brings them here? I want to narrate one incident to you which will probably illustrate how this Divine Lady has built up Sahaja Yoga, step by step, on the basis of very devoted and very persistent hard work. I recall a day in 1974. I had taken up a job in London, we were living in a place called Oxtead and Surrey, away from London. I used to commute and you know I am talking of 24 years ago. One evening when I returned home, I found in my home — I expected to see my wife with some domestic help, but instead I saw, sitting in the drawing room on a sofa, a young boy, white skin, I didn't expect to see him there. So I looked at him and he looked at me and we wondered who we were? And what was even more intriguing was the fact that he was wearing my clothes, my kurta and pyjama. So I began to wonder whether I was seeing some apparition? Was I in my senses or something wrong with me? So I retraced my steps and went back to my wife and asked — who is he? She explained to me that — that day she had gone to Picadilli Circus and there she saw a young man lying uncared for, unattended. Obviously he was sick, so she went up to him and asked what the matter was? And the boy said, he was very ill, he had nobody to look after him and he was almost dying. Now, she said, come along with me and she brought him home and had arranged for him to have a bath and since he didn't have any clothes, he had to wear my clothes. I was greatly relieved. I was very proud, she had brought home that young man out of tremendous love and compassion and you know that young man stayed in our house for two-three months. He was given Sahaja Yoga treatment and within a matter of days he began to improve. His jaundice had gone, his drugs had gone, his alcoholism had gone, he became within eight weeks' time, a rose, a flower, a beautiful person! This was the first miracle I saw. You know people sometimes say they can improve a machine but anyone other than Nirmalaji saying that I can transform a human being, I won't believe. Human beings are the most difficult to transform. It is only through Divine Power and Divine Love that you can transform a human being and she performed that miracle that day. Since then she performed millions

of miracles, around the world. Shri Patwaji, I consider each Sahaja Yogi to be a miracle, I consider each Sahaja Yogini to be an angel and I say angel because what is the meaning of transformation? There is a total inner transformation, there is self-realization, there is *communion* with the almighty power of God, power of love, once a person has been so transformed, that person can be honestly and truly described as an angel and this gathering of angels, this is a part of heaven presided by the Divinity herself. Can we all understand, what She is, fully? I have heard 108 names being recited of Her but She is much beyond that. She is limitless, She can not be limited by descriptions, She can not be comprehended by mind, because someone has said in Urdu 'Jo Samajh Mein Aa Gaya, Phir Woh Khuda Kyon Kar Hua' someone who you can comprehend with mind would not be God. In other words, God is incomprehensible. So many facets, so many aspects, that is impossible to describe. Now it has been said that She has a task ahead of Her, She has a mighty task ahead, She has transformed a million of people of the world, there are five billion. So we need Her here, in this world, until each one of those five billion of this world have been transformed. One poet in Urdu has said, 'Tum Salamat Raho Hazaron Baras, Din Ho Saal Ke Pachas Hazaar' — We pray that you live for thousand years and each of those years should not have just 365 days but fifty thousand days.

But I would go little further and beyond, I would say we need you here until each and every person have been transformed and we need you ever thereafter to ensure that they stay as angels ever thereafter.

My dear Sahaja Yogi, Sahaja Yoginis, I want to avail the opportunity to express my abiding, profound and deepest gratitude for the love and affection you have so kindly, graciously bestowed upon me. Today I ask you to accept me. I have been an apprentice Sahaja Yogi so far, today I want you to accept me as one of you.

Thank you very much.

Mr. Rahul Bajaj, The renowned industrialist, poured out his heart saying :

"I am here as a person who has for years been receiving tremendous amount of love and affection from Shri Mataji....."

"As a son, because I don't want to be anything else," he said, "I have come here today not to thank Shri Mataji, at least in India a son does not thank his mother..... I have come here only to ask for more and more love and your blessings."



Public Felicitation 20.3.1998, Delhi

Talk by Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi

I bow to all the seekers of truth. So much has been said and really my heart is full of gratitude for all of you to come here, all the way and the way people have described about Sahaja Yoga. To understand Sahaja Yoga, we should know where are we today, in this Kaliyuga. What are we facing today? It should really make you feel quite disturbed to see the way things are going in every country, everywhere. What's the problem? What is the, such a need for people, to become so restless, full of tensions. Collectively and countrywise anywhere you go, you find some sort of confusion. Terrible! The whole society seems to be boiling with a kind of a fear of destruction. What is the reason?

There are so many religions, so many organised, disorganised, all kinds of things. There are so many Sadhus and Saints. There are so many books written about what you should have, but — the only one, who is a seeker of truth, should see one point — why there is so much problem, in this world and how can you help them. Where is the problem. It is inside the human being. As described, you see, we have come out of animal stage to human stage.

We have the human awareness no doubt. In that awareness we start seeing all kinds of things, that are not good, which are destructive, which are disturbing. If it does not disturb you, that means, you are not at all a sensitive person. But you are sensitive as a human being. So now what is the reason for this? In every field of life, whether it is political or economic or any field of life, in which human beings are living, there is a very subtle problem, which people don't understand. Now, if I say that there is spirit within us. It shines in our heart. You need not believe me. But our attention is not on the spirit. They call it 'Atma Vimukti'. Our attention is outside. At this stage of human awareness our attention is outside, outside in various things. Now where should our attention go, to evolve for what? To achieve what? Firstly our attention has to go, now, towards our spirit. Towards spiritual understanding. This is one thing that has to happen to human beings,

to begin with. Otherwise our attention is outside, we are worried about money, worried about power, worried about this, worried about that and competition and all the things that are going on. But if your attention is turned, somehow, towards your spirit, then what happens to you is that you become the power of the spirit. And the power of the spirit is the highest power you could think of. First of all, spirit is the one that loves. Loves without asking for anything, without expecting for anything. Just loves. It's an unconditional type of personality which just emits love. Anybody in trouble, anybody having a problem, just it flows. This capacity to flow in the heart exists, but on top of that is the closing point, is that our attention is not on our spirit. Even in political endeavours or in your economic endeavours, in any endeavour. What happens is that attention is outside. So you go into competition, you go into this thing. You go on becoming very competent and then suddenly find another one coming up.

There are so many struggles, when your attention is outside, because in attention outside there is no purity. It is just attention to yourself and that too is so limited, very limited it is. Because if you pay attention to yourself, there is no end to your troubles and woes. For a person, as they said, really it is fact that I don't mind sleeping anywhere. I don't mind eating anything. I am not bothered about all these things. Its a fact because its not very important, I think. But without thinking I am made like that. All right, but Sahaja Yogis have become like this. This is the miracle that human beings have turned their attention to their spirit. Then you are amazed how things work out, without any competition, without any fight, without any quarrels. How your attention becomes fixed on your spirit? The first thing that happens to you, is good health. Your health improves, firstly. I mean, so many problems are solved. This world, I think, atleast 30% of people are always sick, because of the tensions, may be, because of bad food and this and that. The first thing that happens to you, is that your health improves.

Today, now in Sahaja Yoga, we have people who have learnt that these modern ways of economic and all that, have not given peace to anyone. We think of America; I have been to America. I know Americans. How terribly disturbed they are! Their families are ruined, their children are ruined. All kinds of stupid things are happening. Our Indian Gurus are going and making big money there. And they just want peace! They just want peace of the heart. That's only possible when your attention goes to your heart, because in the heart resides the spirit and the spirit is the source of peace. First is the love and second, as I told you just now, is the peace. You become extremely peaceful. You become like a witness and you see the whole drama like a joke. Its nothing so serious, to be worried about. It all works out and this is what one has to become, is to become the spirit, which is your own, which is in your own heart and that is the source as I told you of love, and again, I say, of peace.

And the third thing that happens to you is that, the source of spirit being joy, joy bubbles in your life. It just bubbles in your life. You don't know how to get out of that great ocean of joy. You start swimming in it and enjoying it, every bit of it. You touch all the shores, going round the whole world, their hearts and everything. It is in the heart that resides the spirit again I say. It is not in the brain. No mental activity can take you to spirit. Spirit is only possible if your attention could be somehow taken to the spirit and that's possible only through Kundalini awakening. This change of attitude towards life, this change of complete peace and joy has come to you all because your attention is now on your spirit. Now you don't think of money. Money walks your way. You don't think of power. Power walks your way and the power of the spirit is the highest, the most powerful and the most righteous thing. It is not necessary that you should become a sanyasi, Sadhu baba, do all kinds of things. No necessity of these rituals. The spirit is residing within you. Already, all this you have done in previous lives. Now, in this life only thing you have to do is to put attention to your spirit and that's possible only through awakening of Kundalini, your primordial mother. When she starts rising, she passes through the centres and enriches them, integrates them and pierces through the fontanelle bone area and makes you connected to this all pervading power of divine love. But this power of divine love is not

only the love. If you want to say, it is also peace and joy and also, it is the superior wisdom. It is rather subtle for normal man to understand. I know that, I have gone through that. For persons to understand that one can become the spirit but this is in the evolutionary process. Today is the time for people to become the spirit. This is the blessing of this blossom time, as I call it, and people have to become the spirit. Otherwise what is left of them is like all other human beings who will I don't know, where they will end up. This is an essential step today to become the spirit.

All the saints, all the prophets, all the religions have talked about it. Not that they have not. Of course we have twisted them, we have made separate — separate things but only one simple thing is that you are a spirit and unless and until you became the spirit you can not achieve any peace, any joy and no love. The Sahaja Yogis here, have achieved it. They don't think they are from foreign country or this country or that country. Now here in this camp we don't have very good arrangement for sleeping, for eating or anything, no good bathroom and nothing. They are enjoying themselves. Nobody minds it. Of course certain things of a particular country may linger on but then it drops. Gradually it starts dropping off, like a flower, when it becomes the fruit. All its petals and everything drops off and then it becomes the fruit so you have now become the fruit. Fruit of knowledge, fruit of wisdom and of love.

For knowledge you don't have to read books. There is no need. People who have read too many books are difficult to get into Sahaja Yoga. But what you have to see yourself, that what is the reality. But that is only possible if you are a realized soul. Otherwise you get lost in the illusions of the world. You live with the illusions, all your life struggling, fighting and I don't want to say what is the end. So a simple thing that has happened with Sahaja Yoga in your evolutionary process, your attention now has gone to your spirit than to anything else. As soon as the power of the spirit comes, you find yourself successful in everything. You don't want, you don't ask for it and if you are not, you don't mind. You don't mind because you think they don't understand. It's all right. Forget it. So there is no use fighting for it, asking for it. For this one thing is important, first and foremost thing you have to forgive everyone. Human beings, I don't know sometimes they are

illogical. Supposing somebody tries to harm you. Alright, I forgive him. Forget it, because I have no headache of that. What he is trying to do is to give me a headache which I will not take. I just forgive. so that is the very important point that Christ has also said that you have to forgive.

Mohammad Sahib has said so many things. I don't know how people have twisted. Christ had said so many things; how they have been twisted. Everyone of them has said one thing that you have to become the spirit and how people have twisted it and have formed so many religions and in that religion why should they quarrel. If there is one God, there should be no quarrel. Now in Sahaja Yoga, you find that people have come from different faiths, different countries, different ideologies, everything. One thing great about Sahaja Yogis is that they are very pure. There is so much of purity in them. I don't have any problem of immorality in Sahaja Yoga. We don't find anybody being immoral. If somebody has been immoral he just gets corrected. If somebody has been cheating, he gets corrected. If somebody has been a corrupt person, he gets corrected because spirit gives the light for you to see for yourself, what is good for you. Supposing you are going on a road and you are blind, you can walk into a ditch. But supposing you have the light and the eyes are open, you know how you have to go and that's exactly what is happening in Sahaja Yoga that the people have realized, how to move, how to go about, how to walk and not to fall in the ditch. I have seen people who have fallen into ditch also but I have nothing but love for them, because they were blind. You see for a blind person you can just have love, isn't it? And I found that once I forgive them completely and I ask them, alright, even if they have abused me and have said things against me, its alright. Because they don't know what they are doing. They are blind people so once you feel that way about others that doesn't matter. Whatever they have done, whatever they have so far so-called harmed you also, is no harm to you because you are standing on the pedestal of truth. So the second point is that the spirit is the source of truth, not of untruth. For example there is some false Guru. Immediately you will know this is false, How? On your vibrations, on your finger tips you know that this man is false. Its all said by Mohammad Sahib that your hands will speak at the time of resurrection. That exactly happens that you see this is the trouble.

Now, if you want you can avoid that person, or if you want you can bring him round and put him right. But we should not try on the complicated character very much, in the beginning. I said because they will complicate you. Now those people who have matured in Sahaja Yoga, can easily manage that also and also we must know that all the elements are working for us. All the events of the world are just to show how wrong things are wrong and how right things should be done. Say, for example, when Hitler came he started destroying people. He took 9 years to build himself up and he did all kinds of things which cannot be forgiven by anyone. But he died and suddenly in Germany, you find, people are so enlightened.

Now you have heard some people, I was amazed how they are so enlightened about love and about the divine! All these countries, I have seen, are doing so well, unexpectedly. Imagine in England, who came to India and ruled us for 300 years, there are so many Sahaja Yogis and also as you see today, when I speak there (in England) the whole hall is filled up with people, in England! I have seen also in the countries like Russia where these people were on the verge of collapsing after they started democracy. Whether it is democracy or communism or anything these are all 'isms'. You have to come out of it and see for yourself that so called democracy, has become demoncracy, so called communism has failed. Why? Basically what is wrong with them. It is all based, not on the spiritual level. There was no spirit involved. It was all based on, I should say, on the endeavours which are outside, which were very limited and those limits once they break, you see, you have a problem. Now economics, the word economics if you see is collapsing. Everywhere there is recession. If they are such experts, then why there is recession. Why there are problems. Now the people say, we must remove the poverty. I agree. But not by giving some sort of a gift. But with self realization, you can do it. You can do it, because if you can approach people who need, with Sahaja Yoga and enrich them, you will be amazed that they themselves will do better and work it out. All kinds of things, you see, like in abroad, people used to say, mother you talk about spiritual life then why is it India is so poor. I said they are not so poor in spirituality. They may be poor in money. Those who have got lots of money, are they also very good people? Are they also

doing something very good. In the same way, those who are poor are not doing something good that one should have compassion on them. Now what to do. If both sides are so miserable, what should we do to change them. Change the whole attitude towards life. Immediately I have seen people who are supposed to be rich, start understanding poverty. They start sharing, they start working it out. In Sahaja Yoga, you will be amazed, how people help each other. How they work out everybody's difficulties and problems into something very beautiful. You see, it is the wisdom that you get, from this all pervading divine power. This power has been described in every religion — you call it 'Nirakar', you call it 'Rooh', you can call it 'Parama Chaitanya', you can call it by any name but name is not the point. Whatever it is, once you are connected with this power, you are blessed. Thousand times you are blessed than you are as a normal human being. As a normal being, no blessing it has. It has nothing but your own endeavour that the amount you are pushing, that's what it is. Here nobody pushes oneself. Automatically you are pushed into that. This force, divine force brings you to that and you have seen that in your own lives, how you came to me? How you came to Sahaja Yoga? It was some sort of a Divine force which worked it out, which is Sahaja, which you may not realize. But when you get your realization you just think about your own life how I came to Sahaja Yoga? How I got this and then you see this peace raining over your hearts, the love, affection, everything that is, as he said, I have many powers, may be, I don't know but one thing for definite that Sahaja Yogis can get all my powers.

As a mother, mother wants to give everything to Sahaja Yogis. The greatest joy for a mother is to see her son or daughter grow up, like her, I have great vision of life and I see the picture of that clear today. I was an ordinary housewife, without much money. You know my interest in money is zero; I don't understand even the bank. Somebody else has to sign a cheque for me and my husband has to count my money and I am so bad but still I never had a problem, never had problem, because it is the greed in man, terrible greed in man, that creates problems, but if he learns how to be satisfied, automatically the greed drops out and you feel absolutely comfortable. But that doesn't mean that you become a Sadhu baba or you become a Sanyasi or something you give up.

Those days are gone, those ordeals you have passed through. You have been to Himalayas, you have stood on your heads and did all kinds of things. Now no more is needed. What is needed is that you have to put your attention to your spirit. The more you do it, the more you absorb all other attentions and put it to your spirit, which is there already existing. There is nothing to be brought from outside or nothing to be learnt. It is inside everyone of you, is in the heart. Only thing you have to just feel it. Now that feeling can only come if you have awakened the Kundilini. I know that no one— Mohammad Sahib or Christ or Abraham or Moses, who have created books or whatever history they have created, nowhere they would have ever thought that people will form an organised religion and start in a way as if they are against each other. But it has happened. To remove that, you have to give them the knowledge, the pure knowledge, not the knowledge of the books but the pure knowledge and the knowledge that is pure is wisdom. Through this wisdom only I have worked. This wisdom I had from my childhood. Nobody has given me — It's there, but this wisdom has taught me one thing that whatsoever may be the condition of a human being, whatsoever may be his style, whatsoever may be his ego or his conditioning, if he can feel the love then his spirit gets awakened. This transformation has taken place.

Here we have only 1% of the people who have got realisation all over the world, but I know, I remember them all today who are not here that they have been seekers, madly seeking, seeking the truth, they went through horrible time seeking, they had very bad gurus, they had all kinds of expenses, everything they did but once they came to Sahaja Yoga they all found what was the truth. And the truth is very simple that you are the spirit. You are not this body, this mind but you are the spirit. This is the truth and they have found the spirit. That is what is the truth that they have found. Once this truth is established within you that you are the spirit, nothing can destroy you, nothing can harm you. It can not have any wants. It doesn't have. What wants can you have when you are spirit because it is such a satisfying thing. It does not condemn anyone. It doesn't run after anyone. It is satisfied, absolutely satisfied. I was very anxious that I should lead a very normal life. I should not be like some Himalaya fellow or

something like that because this is needed for a common people. Today its a amass awakening. It is not for one person. This was the thing because once any discovery is made supposing, and that discovery is only for one individual, it has no meaning. It has to go to masses and this is what I knew I have to do it and I had to work, they say so, but I don't think, I ever worked. I was just witness to the whole thing. I saw it just like a witness, enjoying all kinds of things as you sit on the shores of a ocean you see waves coming going like that but inside that is a human being who wants to evolve, who wants to become the spirit. Then he starts thinking what good he can do to others. So far I have been very anxious that people should become Sahaja Yogis. I didn't take to any missionary work or any social work. I used to do when I was not in Sahaja Yoga when I did not start Sahaja Yoga but later on I discovered that unless and until you transform people, unless and until you become the spirit you will become like any other social worker.

I was working in a blind school. I was the chairman of blind school, and I was surprised that the people who were with me were very funny type, you know. The governor was to come and they said who will sit next to governor, I say what is this. So they said, I being the president, I have to sit. I said not necessary, I can sit anywhere. But they all started quarreling on this point. So I said alright we will take a 'palang', we will put it on the head of the governor and you all sit on that like sparrows. That humour helped a lot and they settled down. So this is the stupid thing where you see what is your position, what do you get. I mean it's so stupid that even the ant knows how to work out the collectivity. I don't know how human beings are dying after useless, non sensical things. But the only thing is, he has not yet become the spirit. So he doesn't respect himself, no respect. So he does all these things which are not very respectable I think. Then I thought that this kind of work people are doing, they think no end of themselves. Once you start doing something good, why should you think you are very great. I can't understand. My brain is that way useless because what I found with these people, working with me, very anxious to take the credit for this. Somebody wanted to become the chairman and vice-chairman. I said you become everything. So the attention being on your promotion is not a real

promotion — no promotion. Everybody used to laugh at them. It is degradation. Your promotion is not through your own being but through your own spirit. Being means a very big thing, I think, but spirit is very subtle, very beautiful, which is residing in all of you, like a light. It's a light in you.

Now there are so many Sahaja Yogis who can give enlightenment to others. There are people who are going all over the world. I was surprised that people from Germany and Austria came to help me when I first went to Russia. I said, what are you doing here. They said Mother we have to do something because so many people have been killed by our forefathers. My heart started really thanking them. Look at this, what has come into them. Then they went, you will be amazed, to Israel and from Israel they brought lots of Sahaja Yogis to Egypt! So I asked the Israeli Sahaja Yogis why are you here. They said mother its our job now to make friends with these Sahaja Yogis from Egypt. Just see how love engulfs, all these angularities, all these thorns of life and dissolves it completely. It is so joy giving to see your love acting on others. Small-small things and very big things all that works out with love. For example in an industry now people have problems of strikes, very common struggle, haves and haves not, this is going on. But if you can raise the people to the spiritual height, to their spiritual need, which is the most important need today, you will be amazed there will no problem of any kind. You see it is a kind of a communism. It is a kind of a socialism. It is a kind of a democracy. It is all things put together which works. Democracy means we have Sahaja Yogis who wanted to organise this. They said mother what should we do. I said I am not going to say anything, you do what you like. You choose whatever you like, whatever you want to do and I was just busy arranging the flowers in the house, because so many flowers came and I was worried about the flowers. I was just arranging the flowers in the house and what I find, now you see how they have done. No quarrel, no fight, no discussion, nothing. How have they done it. Otherwise you can not make ten people sit together and talk the same thing. One will talk, another will talk and they will go on discussing, discussing this, reaching nowhere. Otherwise only one man has to work it out, otherwise nothing can work. So it changes the whole atmosphere of every human being, changes his attitude, changes his endeavours and

everything becomes so beautiful and joyful. You are a socialist also because you start thinking about the people who are downtrodden, people who have no money, who are poor and you try to work out something, by which they get some money. I used to go with my father for a case in a district called Chanda and there I saw people with just one cloth around. It was shocking to me. Just one cloth, whether it is winter or summer. I used to weep. So my father would say, why do you weep for them? I said what I can do. I must try to do something for them.

Now when I got so many Sahaja Yogis, I told them I want to help these people somehow and what they make is pottery. So they said mother alright, you get pottery, we will import here and we will sell them. You will be amazed that now these people have houses and have got a good life to live and they are living very well. So in a way it is a kind of a socialism, that you see problems and you know collectively to solve it, collectively, not single handed but collectively. All of the Sahaja Yogis suggest mother this can be solved like that. So far I have not done anything directly, I must say, like starting an organisation of that kind. But now when there are so many Sahaja Yogis with their attention on their heart, now my attention is going to the people who need our help. So first time I have asked them to make a NGO for destitute women and for children, who are being deserted by their parents and immediately you will be amazed, we got the land, we got the people. I mean, I am not doing anything and its all done. Moreover so many people have written Mother if you want land, come here, do this do that. Can you imagine, once I just thought of it that we have to do something for the poor. Also other so many things can be done with your attention which is pure, full of love, because the love, you see, is something, that gives you the wisdom, how to do it. If you have love, it gives you complete insight into the problems and how it works. You see it is surprising, for me, I mean, I used to do that always. But even after Sahaja Yoga, I found that its the love, which is the solution. It is the only way, we can enter into the hearts of the people. But for that love, we should not try to do it for some money or some achievements or for some sort of a reward but just the whim of the love and that is what is today paying all of you. The way you love all the people, the way

you have done so much work. You don't know, what gratitude I have for them. Single handedly I could not have done it. I could not have gone to so many countries. Its like a place called Benin where there are only muslims. I could never have thought of going to those far-fetched places, where these people are there and imagine these people are muslims and they have all taken to Sahaja Yoga and in that they are understanding, the beauty of love. This is done by French; can you believe this French, going down all the way to Benin and getting it done. Even English have gone all the way to different countries, even the Austrians and also Germans and Italians are another quality of people, who have a very rich heart, I must say. They have a very rich heart and the way they are spreading Sahaja Yoga throughout Italy is really remarkable. I am amazed, how these people are approaching all these people, who have never known what is spirit and how they are getting them together. Now with that, you see we don't have to say-prohibition, we don't have to say — don't take drugs, nothing. No don'ts in Sahaja Yoga. Automatically they drop. I don't have to say, Don't do it. Just automatically they drop. I mean you will be amazed. Once We had a programme and there was a light to be put in one of the 'Deepas' and nobody had a match box. Can you imagine, nobody had a match box. Such a problem, with thousands of people there, nobody had a match box. So we had to send somebody to get a match box. There is no need. I have never said Don't do this, never, but it has worked like that. It has worked. I don't know how? How you have dropped that, but its very simple, when the light of the spirit is there. In that light you just don't do.

Now, all the people have said don't drink, say for example sikhs, muslims. But you see, they all drink, because they are not really muslims, they are not really sikhs. If they were really that, they would not have drunk. How is it possible then? They have to be the spirit. In the light of the spirit you just don't do anything that is destructive to you. You don't do anything that is destructive. You don't have to tell anybody. Now you are all sitting here. I have never told you, anyone, don't do this but I was amazed, in London, that people overnight gave up drugs. Overnight. People employ military, this that. They gave up prostitution, they gave up drugs. All kinds of destructive things to which human beings take,

sometimes out of frustration and sometimes because they feel very lonely. But now in Sahaja Yoga you can never be lonely. All over the world you have brothers and sisters. If they come to know somebody is coming, they will all go to the airport to receive. Its not a brotherhood of ordinary life. It is a very deep type of a brotherhood. Very deep understanding is there. But they are very deep people, I must say, because they have been seekers and in that seeking they have really got completely into a turmoil and that has made them very deep people.

This book "Light of Koran" is written by a lady, Gilmett. You read it, I would request you to read it because she is so deep. I knew she was very deep, but the way she has expressed, is so beautiful, so joy giving. She is not a Muslim, she married a muslim, so called, because they were all Sahaja Yogis and the way she has narrated her seeking is so beautiful. We have so many big writers in Sahaja Yoga who have given very nice books and things but this Gilmett is very shy. She does not talk, she keeps quiet but inside she is so deep because of her seeking.

So there are many people in this world who are seeking the truth because they cannot bear the nonsense of modern world and they are very sensitive, they are not insensitive, very sensitive people. That's how you all have got your realisation. Its nothing of mine. To say, I did it, is not proper. If you were not like a candle I could not have enlightened you. So I am very thankful to you and I am so much enamoured by the way, you people are feeling about Sahaja Yoga that collectively you have to work it out, globally you have to work it out. You have to help each other and bring up the people. Most important thing is to create a mind universally which is towards the spirit. Then we will solve all the problems. No problem. Now If I say I am starting some sort of a project for the poor. Immediately all of them will send me money, immediately they'll find out who can work it out, who can come and help Mother. What work can we give them, how we can work it out, all over the world. I mean it spreads so fast. I have to just say that. I never asked for money, I never said that I need money but immediately they will plan out the whole thing, bring the whole thing here and work it out. It can work in India. It can work anywhere. It is not just they are interested in India but globally they are interested

in problems. It is not for making some sort of a show or some sort of a, we can say, a cult.

It is something which is very innate, which is very subtle and that works, that gives them joy to do something for Sahaja Yoga. I am sometimes amazed, how they feel for the whole world. How they care for the whole world. How they are willing to do for them. Of course, as I said, every country has its own problems, like we can say, north Indians are always interested in politics because Delhi is here, but its reduced now, very much reduced now. They don't like to hear anything against anyone, that's a good thing. In the south, we can say, beyond Narmada river, whatever we have Maharashtra and all that they are very ritualistic people. Even if they put the thali, you must put salt here, you must put vegetable here, so that a blind man can also eat food properly. You must use only one hand, you must keep another hand tied up. They are very very ritualistic. Because of these two things, in Sahaja Yoga, they don't grow. Whatever it is, we have to understand that these are lingering, still are behind us. For example in north India I would say if anybody speaks anything ill about anybody just put your hands (over your ears) —this principal of Gandhiji was correct. Never listen to any non-sensical gossip. Gossip is going on, people like to listen to gossip because of this, media also, they were showing nothing but gossip only before elections. And the whole gossip goes into our mind and that's how we work out. So for this part I request all the people from north India to never to listen to any criticism, never to criticise anyone. What is the use? Just see logically. If you listen to somebody's criticism, what is the use? What do you gain out of it? Now by repeating it to somebody else what do you gain? What is the gain? Simple thing always ask a question, what is the gain. And why to see something wrong with other? I know by that you can be cheated, somebody can deceive you. It is true but doesn't matter. You don't get anything into your head, you don't get any filth and any poison in your head. I know there are people who create problem, talk from one to another, do this and do that. That should not harm you, in any way because you have the spirit and the spirit can not be harmed. It cannot be destroyed. It is said that it cannot be destroyed by any weapon. It lives and lives forever so the attention towards the Atma is lacking. Atma Vimukh, you can say. Our eyes have gone, our attention is

gone to something away from the spirit and that's why all the problems are there.

Once you are one with your spirit, it works, it works for you because it is in connection with the God Almighty. It is in connection with the all pervading power, which works out everything. I know this all pervading power. It has shown so many miraculous photographs about me and actually I did not ask it but it is doing. Acutally it is very active, it is very active and if it sees anybody who is subtle and who is deep, it acts. In your business, in your politics, in your family, in every where you will find, this light will shine and you will respect the hearts of others. You respect the love of others. You will respect the spirit that is shining in others. This is the reason why you have learnt to respect each other, because your spirit is enlightened. I can see so clearly. I am so very happy to see so many of you here for my birthday. I don't know, what the significance of a

birthday is, but whatever it is. It is one of the things that I can meet you, all of you here, so very happy. I am thankful to these people who are the elites of our society. They are very great people, elected and sometimes given very high positions and also there are some very well known industrialists. All of them have to understand the value of spiritual life. This is very important for them. Not to avoid this point. But to be one with your spirit, is your own property. is in your own, I should say, the complete glory that you have is to be the spirit. With all this, I don't know, how to thank you all and how to thank all these people who spoke so nicely. Only thing I wish you all a great growth in your spiritual life, Atmounnati, into your spirituality, so that it covers all the corners of the world and creates a beautiful world of tomorrow.

May God bless you. ■

At last the much awaited day, the 75th Birthday of The Jagat Janani (The creator of universes) arrived. As soon as the Felicitation Programme was concluded in the early hours of the morning of 21st March, 1998. The boys and girls of Yuva Shakti sprang up in action to make an effort to prepare the stage fit to seat the Divine Mother — the creator of Aesthetics. The smallest atom of the dust of Thy Holy Feet, O Devi, forms the cluster of flower beds, from which gushes forth the nectar of intelligence, enlivening the dull witted. It is a wish yielding gem.

Every inch of the auditorium was tastefully decorated with flowers, rainbow coloured balloons and dashing lights. Beautiful candles were lit on both sides of the passage from the main gate of the Nizamuddin ground to the entry gate of the pandal. There was magnificent display of fire works. Beautiful little children, in their ceremonial dresses stood dancing like angels on the Hawa Mahal gate to welcome their Divine Mother. On the Nizamuddin crossing Sahaja Yogis from various countries of the Globe stood waving their National Flags and the Band playing Sahaja tunes. Gracing the occasion, Shri Mataji was brought to the venue, in celestial procession. As soon as Shri Mataji entered Scouts Ground, Shehnai was played and Bigules (Chougada) sounded in typical Indian traditional style. Shri Mataji was overjoyed to see the love of her children.

75th Birthday Puja

Talk by Her Holiness Mataji Shri Nirmala Devi

(Delhi — 21.3.1998)

I was overjoyed to see the way you had organized this beautiful welcome. I must say that it is your love which finds all kinds of expression of enjoying Sahaja Yoga. I really cannot understand how these unique ideas come to your heads and you represent the different countries from where you have come.

I wish you carry these flags back to your own country and tell them the message that the time has come for our resurrection, that we have to rise, that we have to rise above this human level to a higher level of existence. And if that happens, then how it changes your life, how it makes you happy, how you lose all your absurd ideas of hatred and of harming others, injuring others! All this kind of ideas which have worked out to give some sort of a sadistic pleasure to many people and they have enjoyed the way they want to destroy the joy of others, the happiness of others. To maintain the happiness, I know, you being Sahaja Yogis, you have to bear a lot, tolerate a lot of nonsense. You have already done it, and gradually once Sahaja Yoga is established in your own countries, as something that is so beautiful, so very pure, so very important that all others in your countries also will try to follow that path which you have crossed over. Only your lives are the ones which

will reflect the beauty of your inner being and of Sahaja Yoga.

I told you yesterday, what was missing in the human awareness and that the attention was not on the spirit. But when it is on the spirit what happens to you i.e. firstly you become according to Sanskrit words — *Gunateet* — you go beyond all the three gunas. That means you are no more a person who is Tamoguni — means the one who has got all kinds of desires of self indulgence. Your attention moves from there to the second style, where you are 'Rajoguni', the right sidedness. You want to compete with others. All this struggle which is discipline. 'Ateet' means beyond, then Satvaguna, that is also where you are seeking, where you see that what is wrong in this kind of extreme behaviour. And you just hate that kind of life. And you want to get out of it and then you start seeking. That also is finished. All the gunas are finished. So you become *Gunateet*. It just happens when your attention goes to your spirit because now the attention is not on any one of your inherent, you can say or conditions, qualities or egotistical qualities. So you become a person who is beyond this. This is something very remarkable, as far as, for normal life, but for you it is not. It just happens. You just enjoy being yourself. You are no more

concerned about your own conveniences, comforts and petty things. What happens is that you just go beyond, all these three gunas which have been dominating you this way or that way. So that's how you cross the limit of human awareness firstly, then second one is that you become 'Kalateet'.

You go beyond time — I know today I was late somehow it just works out that way. But you did not miss the time. You were still enjoying. I could see sitting in the house that you are all in a very enjoyable mood. All of you are enjoying nicely. I am not here but still you are enjoying. This is beyond time. You are not bound by time. Whatever is the time is your own because you are standing in the present. You are not standing here and thinking of the future, you didn't think about what will happen tomorrow or how will you catch your plane or how will you do this. Here you were just enjoying, enjoying the present and the present is the reality. If you are thinking of the future or of the past then you are not in reality. I have told many a times that past is finished and future does not exist. So at this moment you are here, sitting perhaps, may be waiting for me, may be just enjoying every moment of your stay here, of your connections with me. And this enjoyment cannot be described — how you are enjoying this. Otherwise people would be seeing the watch, wondering why Mother has not come, what is the problem, why She has not arrived and all kinds of ideas can work. It helps a lot to be 'Kalateet'.

I remember in Nasik I had to work very hard because no Sahaja Yogi would come forward to do anything. They were so shy and so much worried. And it so happened, luckily or unluckily, we can say, that my car failed on the way and I was delayed in going. About one hour passed. There was no car coming that way, there was no way to go and we were stranded on the road. Now surprisingly when I reached the place where we were going to have the programme, the Sahaja Yogis took over. They took the responsibility and they were very busy giving realizations to others and working it out. Otherwise they would not. They could not believe that they had power to give realization. I may tell them but they would not raise their hands. And just because the time was there and they thought so many people are here, Mother is not coming or She may be coming. So it is our responsibility. In that way they took the responsibility. So when you are beyond the time, you

become responsible for that moment. It is such a responsibility which is also collective, means all of you become responsible.

It is very surprising we are so many here, there is no quarrel, no fight, nothing. We are very nicely settled down, beyond all kinds of stupid ideas of attacking each other. That happens because you are not involved with the time. The time cannot bow you down. Perhaps you feel if it were not you people, some other people, they would have thrown stones on my car thinking it is so late She comes, we all are boiling in the heat, they would have resented but not the people who are beyond time—they are nicely sitting down enjoying themselves. Doesn't matter, the time passes away.

Then you become 'Dharmateet'. You become beyond Dharma, beyond your human nature, that means whatever you do is religious, whatever is your endeavour is religious, if say you are in a business, you would like to do business in a religious manner because you are beyond religion. You are not bothered as to follow a particular pattern or ritual of any religion. But you are beyond it. Like people who are, you see, not beyond religion, they must get up early in the morning. They are bound by their rituals and they pass through the rituals and if one of the rituals is not done, they are very unhappy and shaken up. But not you. For you, you are always in 'Dhyana', always in meditative mood. And anything goes wrong, you just jump into that awareness where you get the solution and you are not disturbed, not disturbed at all. When things go wrong, like ritualistic nature makes you very constricted, very docile. Sometimes can be aggressive also.

People with their ritualism trouble others a lot. Like one lady was supposed to be our friend, came to my house. So she said I am a vegetarian, I said, then. "But I cannot eat the food in which non-vegetarian food has been cooked. So we will have to get new utensils." I went and bought over utensils for her. So she said that you have to be careful that even the spoon should not be used. So I had to go and get spoons for her. Then she said tumblers because people are taking food here, who are eating non-vegetarian food. So you better get us something which is absolutely new. So I had to incur all this problem. And then she was in the kitchen and she would not allow our cook to cook anything for us.

She said first I will cook and then you can cook. And she made such a nuisance out of her that instead of being a guest she became a pest. And this is what happens to people who are ritualistic because they are very demanding. They go on demanding that this is our dharma.

I know of another story, was told to me by somebody in Bombay. She said this lady who came to me as a guest because she was related to someone very high up. She was worse than my great great great grandmother. I said 'Really'. She said I cannot understand that in India we have such people still living. She came here and she said I cannot take water from the tap. You have to get it from some sort of a well. Now there are only two wells in Bombay. So people had to go and fetch the water. But the cook had to be completely drenched in water and then only he could cook. Because if he cooks without that then I won't eat and she went on and on with that. And the cook got sick with pneumonia. Another cook came and he got flue. You see this lady didn't mind. She said, No. That is my style. So she asked me what should we do with such people Mother. I said you should have asked her that we have this thing. If you like it well and good, otherwise you don't eat. It's all right, Fasting is a very good thing. That's the only solution for such people who are so self-centred and so much bothering others.

So this self-centredness comes to us because we think this is our Dharma, this is our right, everything belongs to us. How dare they do not do this? How much we trouble others. How much we make them inconvenient. How much we try to make their lives miserable. We never know. We go on demanding things. This is my dharma what can I do. This is what I have to do. But it becomes such a conditioning of the mind that I have seen many cases in Sahaja Yoga who got conditioned like that.

There was a lady, a French lady who came to Sahaja Yoga and her mother was very ritualistic to begin with. And she was so troublesome that she must go to church every Sunday. She would dress up well, go to church and come back. And one day she just disappeared. So they told the police to find out this lady and when they went to find out that lady, the police said that we can't find her. God knows where she has disappeared. Then she said alright, go and find out in the church. She was still sitting in the

church. Next time again she disappeared. It happened three-four times. So the police said, sorry, we are finished with her. Now if you want you can put her in the old people's house and that's all. So they sent her to an old people's house. So this Sahaja Yogini, told me, Mother, very surprising, they are otherwise very stupid people. They go on sitting, brooding, talking nonsense, like mad. They have all become senile and their senile decay is very well seen. But what happens that on a Sunday they all dress up well and go to church. That is the only point where they are sane. It is very surprising how their conditioning works.

There was one person I had, who came and stayed with us and he said, 'I am a very good driver'. So I said, alright. But he only knew driving. He did not know about London. What sort of a place is London. Now he knew that driving very well. But if I had to go to the North, he will drive me to the South. If I have to go to the East, he will drive me to the West. I said, "What is the matter?" You know driving! "Yes, I know driving. That I know. But I do not know anything about roads. I have no road sense". One day police caught hold of him. I was also in the car. He said where are you going? He said I am going to such and such place. So he said now you have been to this place six times. Again you are coming back to the same point sixth time. So in the old age, I have known that these things form a kind of a habit. But in young age also you can find people get so conditioned by their style. So this is what you can call the human element, where you get attached or you get bothered about something. Now it is a kind of I should say, a madness that somebody demands this, somebody demands that. I do not like this. I do not like that. It goes on and on. It is so common to say I do not like, I like. It is very surprising that they go on saying like this. They go to somebody's house. No, No I do not like this carpet. It is not your carpet. You have not purchased it. That person has purchased the carpet. What have you got to do with it. Why should you say, I do not like. Who are you? You have not paid for that, the one who has paid likes it. Finished. Why do you want to pass your remark, I do not like. Are you a connoisseur.

So to criticise others, somebody is, say, wearing, supposing hair in a particular way. I do not like this kind of hair. Why? I do not like. That is all. Then it goes from there to human beings and everywhere.

Who are you to like or dislike? What is your position? Why should you say I like or do not like? But it is very common specially in the West to pass such remark. I do not like. I do not like India. Alright if you do not like, sit at home, why did you come here. I do not like Turkey. Why, because if supposing anybody is wearing a long skirt, they will say, No I don't like because it is Turkish. So you should wear short skirts. We don't like short skirts, supposing, but one should not say that I don't like it, because it hurts the people. It takes away the pride of the person.

Now when you are in Sahaja Yoga you must know that you are not normal human beings — according to the normal standards. You are above them. Your likes and dislikes are different from them and your whole attitude has changed. Sometimes you are just like children I think. You talk like small little children, very innocently and sometimes you talk very profound things. Now this is unknown to people who are supposed to be normal. Because normal people, you know, are so bombastic. All the time they keep on saying I, I, I. Kabira has said that when a goat is alive she goes on saying 'Main' means I, I, I — but when she is dead and her intestines are drawn into a kind of wire, for we call 'Dhunak', means with which they separate the seeds from the cotton, that time she says Tuhi, Tuhi, Tuhi, means you are, you are, you are. You are everything. When you say that immediately your attention goes away from others, finding fault with them, finding what's wrong with them, using your brains all the time to criticize others, to make fun of others. Sometimes even to talk ill of others, people enjoy gossip, why. They enjoy gossip because they don't know that another person is the same as myself and I have no business to gossip about that person. So this understanding, I should say, this loving wisdom doesn't exist when you are a normal human being. At the slightest provocation you can get angry, start doing all kinds of things, like a bull in a China shop. You can behave anyway. Suddenly you find just growing up into that. The reason for that is you are not yet a Sahaja Yogi.

But Sahaja Yogi is a person who enjoys all kinds of things. Say, somebody becomes very angry and hot tempered. He also sees that what is happening, how he is behaving — so actually it is not a dharma that you get angry with someone it's not. It is something very low to be angry with others, to be all the time shouting at others, to be exacting things from others

or to criticize others thinking you are something great. And this does not pay. By the time you come to the end of life you find you haven't got one friend, one neighbour. Another thing is that when you are very egoistical you think no end of yourself and you go on talking, jabbering, and other person gets bored stiff but you are still talking, talking, talking about, say, I did this, I went there. I, I, I. It goes to any limit and you are not ashamed as to what you are saying. I have seen people who have taken to all kinds of funny attitudes towards others when they are just normal human beings. If somebody says something wrong about somebody, somebody says that person is like this, I know he did this way. Immediately it goes into their mind. 'Yes, yes, true'. Now that makes your mind a sick mind. We can say "Vikrut". When the mind is not normal. You become sick and you accept all this sickness and go on accepting till you are a sick person and this sickness is extremely dangerous. Not for others so much as for yourself. Because nobody can stand such a sick personality. Now you might say. I have seen people who have taken to religion like now I am a religious person. Now. You better be religious. So what. You can't do this, you can't do that, you can't sit there, you cannot eat this. This is important; All the time trying to discipline others instead of disciplining yourself because when you are a normal person, you don't see yourself. You just see others.

But once you are a realized soul, you just start watching yourself, see for yourself what's wrong. Now after becoming the spirit, in the light of the spirit you see yourself. You just see yourself. What happens, how you behave and how you enjoy yourself. When you know how to correct yourself. It is very sweet, little little thing you do in such a beautiful manner and you say such beautiful things. Of course there are people who cannot be corrected-incorrigible. So also you should just see this is incorrigible. You can not help it. Like in Sahaja Yoga we have some people who are all the time trying to help wrong type of people like they have taken a power of attorney, in Sahaja Yoga. So if somebody tries to be funny we expect a telephone call from that power of attorney after two hours. He tells now please tell Mother such and such person is to be looked after. This has to be done and that has to be done. Is absolutely a habitual thing with them to inform me that "No, you must help, you must do

something." But now it has become such a common practice, we know he will just now come along and give a big lecture on this subject. So you see it is a nature of a human being which has been going through the different types of complications in life. Also born with some genes or something that he is not a very normal person though we say he is normal because the way he reacts, the reaction that he shows is very absurd. There is no need for anybody to telephone me to tell me, you see this man is such and such, you better look after. Unnecessarily to interfere with other's affairs. When you have no authority, when you have nothing to do with that person, all sorts of, I can tell you, designs are there that have been made by the minds of human beings and these designs will all disappear, just disappear. I don't know how they get all these designs, from where they get it, may be their country, may be their family, may be their genes. Whatever you may say. All this disappears, even your genes change. That is what is Sahaja Yoga. Where you become the spirit, everything changes and what happens to you, that you become a person who knows what is joy, who enjoys joy, who enjoys existence, who gives joy to others, makes others happy. All the time thinks how to make others happy. Just it happens though you are brought up the same way as the others are, though you are being educated the same way, may be, but all that disappears and you become a wise, beautiful joyous person.

It is something that you have achieved, of which you may not be aware. The way you are enjoying in this Scout Ground, no other group could have enjoyed, as you have enjoyed. I can see what you are doing here. How are you enjoying the company of others, very remarkable, that has become, because your heart is full of joy of the spirit that shines within you. You can examine yourself and see for yourself, whatever I am saying is there or not. Of course there are some people who think no end of themselves. They are staying in a hotel or some lodge or something. They are not enjoying. They still think they are something great so they must stay somewhere like that. Very surprising especially Indians I have seen, when they come to Cabella, they all want to stay in a hotel. In their lives, they might be having one bathroom in their house, but when they come to Cabella, they want to stay in a hotel with attached bath, with this, with that. Young people, it is very surprising, it

happens because I think they have never seen a good hotel or may be that they have lived in very bad conditions.

But a person, who is a Sahaja Yogi, can live anywhere, can sleep anywhere. Only thing is that his spirit is there to make him happy. Nothing else. That is the one that gives you happiness. All these other things that human beings have which have created problems after problems. Now you see because you belong to a different religion, you are bad. You want to know about the Christians, you better go and ask the Jews and if you want to know about the Jews, better go and ask the Muslims, if you want to know about the Muslims, go and ask the Hindus. You will be amazed how they talk about other people as if all of them are bad and they are the best. So this is the whole attitude, it changes completely. You forget it. Who is what. Whose religion is what. From what sort of family they come in, what is the background they are coming in. They all become one. What they enjoy is the company of all the Sahaja Yogis. All the Sahaja Yogis are there, that's all. So many Sahaja Yogis will be there and that is the Mecca, that is the Kumbh Mela, that you can call anything you feel like. The collective joy that you enjoy has come to you because you have crossed that barrier which has stopped you from seeing the truth.

The truth is as I said yesterday, that you are the spirit and once you become the spirit, you become Gunateet, Kalateet and Dharmateet. Once you cross these limits, then you become like a drop in the ocean. If the drop is outside the ocean, it is always frightened of the sun because it would dry. It does not know what to do, which way to slip, which way to move. But once it is one with the ocean, it just moves and enjoys, because it is not alone. It is not alone, its moving with the waves of that beautiful ocean of joy and that is what you have achieved, of which you are aware. You know but you don't know you have achieved it because you are the spirit. Now you should be on the watch about yourself sometimes and you will be amazed to see how you are changed, how you have become so simple and sensible and wise. So many problems come in the west because they are still stupid, I think, very stupid people, because even an old man of 80 years would like to marry a lady of say 20 years and he doesn't understand why he's doing it. Because he doesn't

accept his age, he doesn't accept that I am an old man, I must behave like an old man. He wants to marry a girl who can be his grand daughter. This is more common in the west. They may be just on their way to the grave, but doesn't matter. They want to have a wife like that. This is the problem of the west. Now how does it come? Because they don't understand that we are old and to be old is to be proud. Now when I was five years I cannot imagine so many people could have come to wish me Happy Birthday. Even when I was 50 years, there were not so many people. Now when I am 75 years old, see how many people are there to wish me Happy Birthday. When you are old you should be proud of your age, if you have lived wisely. But if you are stupid, then of course, nobody can help. Everybody will laugh at such a person. It is a custom in the west to go on having wives after wives, divorcing your wives and this and that.

In India, it is the other way round, I should say, they don't have much respect for the women. They were supposed to have great respect for women, they were supposed to have placed their women at the pedestal of a sati, even if the women may be anything, they don't respect. Now, this is from where it has come. I don't know some of them say it was written by some poet that women should be beaten up. Who is this poet, I think he should be beaten up. He was born out of a woman and here he writes like this. So you see we like to take up something which is wrong, which is absolutely absurd. This comes because you are not wise. A wise person will take in whatever is the wisdom. He won't accept anything non-sensical. You go on reading the books, one after another, one after another. So many books you read and where do you land with that. You find you are reading books which are no good for you. Useless but if you are fond of reading you go on reading. So the lack of wisdom gives you indiscrimination. And you justify it and all that you justify, you say it is very good. Whatever I am doing is the best. It is not ego, I should say, but stupid human understanding. Whatever I am doing is good. Whatever is my attitude is good. How dare anybody tell me anything that this is wrong, that is wrong. Everybody will laugh at that person, make fun of that person. such a person will suffer a lot but he will never accept that I have done something wrong.

So when you go beyond, dharmateet you become, go beyond dharma then what happens, that dharma becomes part and parcel of you. You don't do wrong things. You just don't do it. It is not that somebody is telling you or you want to follow it or there is compulsion or discipline, but you just don't like to do wrong things, to say something which is not respectful, which is not helpful, which is not loving. This is the quality of a Sahaja Yogi where you become the spirit. Becoming the spirit you don't have to tell anybody. So obvious, so evident and one can see that and the more you go deep into yourself, you find that you are endowed with such greatness within you, such beautiful feelings, such nice things within you, that you overcome the ego of others.

I must tell you a story. Once I went to see a saint. So the Sahaja Yogis said, Mother, you never go and see these gurus and this and that. So why do you worry. You come along with me. We had to climb a lot. I said from here you see his vibrations. You see his vibrations. Lots of vibrations coming. So we went up the hill, climbed up and this gentleman was supposed to have powers that he could control the rain and it started raining, and raining very heavily and I got completely drenched in that rain. When I went up, saw him sitting on a stone, just shaking his head with anger. So, I went into his cave and sat down. So he came back and said to me, "Mother, why didn't you allow me to stop that rain. Is it to overcome my ego." I said, "No, Not that. I didn't want, I didn't see your ego anywhere." But the problem is another. You are a sanyasi, you are an ascetic. You bought a saree for me. If you bought a saree for me, I can't take from you because you are a sanyasi. so I had to get drenched so that I will have to borrow a saree from you. And the whole thing melted away. He became a very different person. So with wisdom, you know how to handle different types of people. You say things by which you melt their ego. Their conditionings are also brought into a kind of a new awakening within you. They see in you that wisdom, that love, that expression of, I should say, your spirit and that's how so many saints though they were tortured and troubled by many, but they were definitely very much respected and loved.

But those saints in those days I must say, were definitely very nice and good people. But one thing was there, they were rather strict with their disciples.

The reason was that they were not realised souls, their disciples. And these gurus thought that unless and until discipline these people, they will never rise, they will never become something great. So they have to be disciplined. And those who were seekers of truth, accepted that alright, whatever you say, we will do. Even if you ask us to fast, we will do. They'll stand on their heads. Alright we will stand on our heads. What you say I will be willing to do, you don't have to worry on that point. And that's how they were very disciplining type. But in Sahaja Yoga, there is no discipline done. The reason is you are realized souls. Your spirit is there and the spirit gives you the light. In that light you see yourself so clearly, and you can discipline yourself. I don't have to tell you.

You know that so many people have given up drugs overnight. But I never told them. I never even talked about drugs or anything. How did they do it? Because they had the light. And this is what you have got today, the light of the spirit. You become absolutely independent and absolutely free, complete freedom because you have the light. You cannot do, cannot do wrong things. Supposing now, there is light and there is some sort of a big explosion taking place. I won't run towards the explosion, No. You won't run either. Because you have got the eyes. So the spirit and its light is the greatest guiding factor by which you become, as I said, Gunateet, you become Kalateet and you become Dharmateet. You are not slave of anything. You are not slave of watch. You are not slave of time. You are not slave as to what is your gunas. You don't want to see whether you are right sided, left sided or centre. You are a Sahaja Yogi and a Sahaja Yogi is beyond all these things. So you are Gunateet. You are Dharmateet because dharma becomes part and parcel of you. You don't have to follow any disciplining of dharma. I have seen in Sahaja Yoga, in some of the ashrams, they are very strict. That should not be so. I have told them, never to be strict. If somebody doesn't get up, at say 4 o'clock, doesn't matter. Let him get up at 10 o'clock. After sometime, he will himself get up at 4. But don't try to discipline them too much. Children also, you should not discipline them too much. Of course, if they are realized souls, they themselves are so good, they are so beautiful. But if they are not, try to give them realization. Once you realize, that those who are not realized are making all these

mistakes that they are in the darkness, your attitude towards them will change. You will just try to be extremely patient and kind and affectionate and loving because you will know that the person is not realized. He hasn't got his eyes, he can't see. He is blind. He can't hear. He can't feel the reality. So first let him feel the reality. What is the use of giving him a lecture and disciplining. Still he will go on making mistakes and troubling himself or troubling others.

So this is what you have achieved through your enlightenment that you are beyond all this. And you become a person, of a temperament which is so loving and so joy giving. I mean, there are so many examples that I can give you. In Sahaja Yoga it has happened that I have seen the beauty of their love and affection, not only towards me but towards others also. If it is only towards me, I can explain it, but I cannot explain the kind of people as I explained yesterday that these people went to Israel. Now they went to Egypt. They went to Russia. Who told them? I never ask anybody to go anywhere. On their own they felt they have to go, and do this job. And they have to help people to get out of their ignorance. So today on such a day, when you are celebrating my 75th Birthday, so many balloons are there. They are very remarkable, very pictureseque. They have different colours expressing your love for me. In everything, I see your love, whatever you have done here, all your decorations, everything, I feel my children are so loving. I have done nothing for you, I do not know what makes you feel so much gratitude. I still want to know what I have done. I have done nothing. But the way you want to express your love, it is very surprising, except for I would say, you have got the light of your spirit. In that light, might be you see something different in me but the way you are showing your gratitude is really beyond me.

As the other day, one of the speakers said that, you do not thank your mother, take her for granted. It is a fact there is no need to thank me, you have to take me for granted. But the way you want to thank me just like a small little child would like to thank, just becomes like children, you are so enthusiastic about it and you do not understand that normally it is not done, like this anywhere. Nobody tries to be just like children expressing their beautiful love. It is a very new thing that one can see. Such peace such love,

such joy, all around. In a far fetched place like this how could you do that, how could you manage that. It is not easy to understand. It is not for human beings to see that. They just do not understand. How these people are like this and why are they living like this so happily. Now you have comforts in the house, you are living so well in your houses, everything is there. But here in this Scout Ground, it is not such a comfortable place for living. But you can live anywhere, I know, I have seen it, wherever you are, as long as there are Sahaja Yogis around, you do not care for anything. And this collective enjoyment of each other, without any expectation, without any criticism, without any gossip or any nonsense like that is so beautiful and even you pull each other's legs, you enjoy your jokes. It is such friendship, such beautiful friendship, whether you are from India or from England or from America or from any other place.

You find such oneness of understanding, oneness of movement, like one wave rises and another wave rises. It is continuous, eternal and this is what one has to achieve for others also, for that also you must remember that you have the light, others do not have. So you have to be very considerate, tolerant and understanding, about their problem and just listen to them what is their problem. First they will tell you that my business is going down or they might say that my wife is no good or my son has no job, he is not working. All kinds of things, they might tell you. Listen to them. For them it is important. Alright after that, you will find gradually, they will soothe down because you are emitting love, you are

emitting joy, you are emitting confidence through your spiritual awakening. You have those powers you stand anywhere you can create peace in that place, you can create happiness in that place. So be confident. Do not lose your confidence. Also your wisdom to understand others will be very much convincing to understand that they are something exceptional. They do not get angry. They do not get into temper, they are not mad people. They are not after some sort of a craze. Just very very balanced people. And this you do not have to practice. It is there. It is within you. You should be proud of it. You should not think that it is something that you have to achieve or to become, you have it — withing yourselves you have it. Only thing, that you have to see it in the light of the spirit. It just is a very simple thing and that works out. It is not easy for others to understand you. But it should be very easy to understand them. Because you were like them before and now they are seeing you, and they will become like you. It is very simple.

You can see this that I started Sahaja Yoga with one lady and now today see how many are there. What have I done. I really don't know, what have I done. I have no idea and what you think such gratitude, enjoyment and joy. So all these things whatever I have told you, you have to be aware of your being, of your own self, of your spirit, that you are the spirit. And as you are the spirit, you are beyond all these things and once that happens, you would be amazed, what a personality you are.

May God bless you.

Four Nights of Divine Music

During the next four nights (22nd to 25th March) internationally renowned musicians played before the Holy Mother and received her blessings. The following artists were honoured to perform before the Divine Mother and the august assembly of Her children :

SMT. VANAJI LAL KONDIPARTHY

Disciple of the most illustrious Guru Sri Uma Rama Rao, Mrs. Vanaja is known for her mastery in Kuchipudi and Bharatnatyam style of Indian classical dance.

PANDIT VAIBHAV PANDHARINATH NAGESHKAR

Eminent Tabla player Pt. Vaibhav Nageshkar has earned a place of distinction as a brilliant performer, composer and teacher. He belongs to Farukhabad gharana of great maestro Ustad Amir Hussain Khan.

PANDIT BHAJAN SOPORI

Pandit Sopori is a renowned Santoor player. He lays emphasis on Sufiana Kalam Gayaki — The traditional music of Kashmir. Rendition of Dhrupad Ang on Santoor with accompaniment of Pakhawaj is also part of his innovations. For his contribution to the field of music he has received prestigious Sangeet Natak Academy and Shiromani awards.

DR. N. RAJAM

Violinist, Padamshree Dr. N. Rajam is the pioneer who perfected the technique of Gayaki Ang in Hindustani classical music. Disciple of legendary late Pt. Omkarnath Thakur, Dr. Rajam, after 15 years of intense research, has brought the music of violin close to human voice. In fact Dr. Rajam and Gayaki Ang are used as synonyms in the world of music.

SMT. ZARIN SHARMA NEE DARUWALA

An enchanting exponent of Sarod, Smt. Zarin Sharma has performed all over the world including before Her Majesty The Queen of England. A recipient of Sangeet Natak Academy and Maharashtra Gaurav

Puraskar, Smt. Zarin has a rare command playing "Tappa" on Sarod.

PT. VISHWA MOHAN BHATT

Creator of the Mohan Veena and winner of Grammy Award, Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt has mesmerised the Sahaja Yogis with his pure, delicate yet fiery music. Disciple of Sitar maestro Pt. Ravishankar, Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt is outstanding in his ability to play the Tantrakari Ang and the Gayaki Ang on the Indianised Western Hawaiian Guitar by giving it a revolutionary shape and adding 14 more strings. Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt's performances all over the world has been highly acclaimed. His jugalbandis with many artists like Chinese Erhu player, Jei Bing Chen and Arabian Oudh player Simon Shaheen has won many a accolades.

Pt. Bhatt has won many awards in India and abroad like Surmani, Tantri Shringar, Swar Shiromani and Honorary citizenship of U.S.A. and Canada.

RONU MAJUMDAR

Ronu Majumdar is an established artist of India initiated into playing the flute by his father Dr. Bhanu Majumdar. He later on came under the tutelage of Padamshri Pt. Vijaya Raghav Rao and mastered the Gayaki style. Shri Ronu Majumdar has appeared at various concert platforms all over the world including festivals of India. Shri Majumdar shows remarkable maturity and depth in unfolding the Raga combined with superb 'Layakari' and melodious tone. His recitals are full of aesthetic and emotional appeal. He touched the hearts of the audience.

With the heavenly performances of these celebrities and other artists like Danishq Khan - sarod, Meena Patarpekar - vocal, Pandit Jaggannath Mishra - Shehnai, Kirti Shiledar - Vocal, Satish Vyas - Santoor, Ms. Shashwati Sen - Kathak Dance, the ganges of Parama Chaitanya kept flowing all these days establishing the Sahaja Yogis in the Lotus Feet of the Divine Mother.

The Grand Finale (Samapan)

And 'Lo'! The Concluding Day (The Samapan Divas) arrived most unexpectedly. Tears of love rolled down many eyes. The mere thought of departing from the Divine Campus made us shudder. But then it is the most pious duty of the Sahaja Yogis to enlighten the hearts of millions and millions of seekers, all over the world. Taking refuge in Divine Fortress of Thoughtless Awareness, we brought ourselves in the centre.

Bringing the Programme to the Grand Finale Sir C.P. Shrivastava said:

Sir C.P.'s Thanks Giving 26.3.1998

Dear Sahaja Yogis and Sahaja Yoginis (can you hear me) we have been celebrating an event of momentous importance for entire humanity — the birth of your Holy Mother Shri Mataji — 75 years ago.

In effect we are celebrating something which needs to be appreciated and understood. Before Her there have been incarnations. They have given to this earth excellent religions and these religions aimed at bringing humanity to civilized existence, to exist according to ethical standards. So we have these different religions growing up in different races, getting different followers. But over a period of time instead of uniting all of them they began to separate them as if there are compartments and you had reunions in the 19th and 20th centuries and there was great need for a new incarnation to come and lift the humanity to a higher level of spirituality and that is why Shri Mataji has come to this earth and She has taken birth here. Seemingly it may appear to be an impossible task, how do you do that and initially that was what the blind did not see — how would Shri Mataji succeed in Her mission. But if you see what you see here today and if hear what you have heard today — Is this not already a new world in existence and it is Her world which has come into being. We are now talking of Hindus, Christians, Muslims, Sikhs — all being brothers and sisters — the possibility of me, a born Hindu, worshipping in a Mosque — why not! or in a Church — why not! or in a Gurudwara — why not! Every place of worship is for everybody and that is what Sahaja Yoga is. Sahaja Yoga lifts humanity to a very

much higher level of spiritual existence. Now this is Her mission and She began that mission 28 years ago with great difficulty. I think we must recognise and recall She has single handed brought about a tremendous revolution in humanity. I narrated you the other day of one event 25 years ago, when She got hold of a young man who was dying and brought him home. Did She ask him — what is your language — No. Did She ask him — what is your religion — No. Did She ask him — what is your race — No. He was a human being and she brought that human being home, treated him with Sahaja Yoga and treated him with that powerful emotion — Love, selfless love, love of a Mother and very soon this boy who was a drunkard, who was given to drugs and all that goes with it — He got transformed. So that is how she began, Herself, individually, looking after one person or a group of persons.

You saw Mr. Gregoire. He came here as a UN diplomat. He also had come to Oxted house as a brilliant young man but in search of truth. He stayed with us for two days and went back a realised soul and now he has been one of the pillars of Sahaja Yoga movement. That is why how She, your Holy Mother has step by step, human being by human being built up Sahaja Yoga and now we see thousands sitting here and a million or more around the world. That is Her achievement. Now what is the message that you have to carry from here. We have been celebrating, I think, this has been the most memorable event which has been an elevating event but what message will you carry from here. That's very important and the message that you carry to

the wider world is — Sahaja Yoga now has to engulf the whole world. It has to spread everywhere. It has to come to every human being. Every human being has to be uplifted and you carry that message and I have no doubt that with the blessing of Shri Mataji that will succeed. When we meet again to celebrate Her 80th birthday — probably we will not be a million strong, we will be 200 million strong and why not. And when we celebrate a 100 years of Her existence there will be 5 billion Sahaja Yogis in this world. I owe a tremendous gratitude to Her. She has been my wife for 51 years. She has looked after me with tremendous love and care and affection. Once She was in Australia and from there She rang up my cook in London, giving instructions as to which vegetable he should prepare for me and how. That is a wife. She is a mother of my daughters and your Mother. She has looked after not only us but all of you with the same love. She has never distinguished between Her children and any other children. Every child to Her is Her own child. How can I express adequately my personal gratitude to Her, except just say I love you. We wish Her eternal life. She has an eternal responsibility and I know that is your prayer and when I go back from here I will convey to Her what you want me to convey — your love, your prayers for Her good health, for a long life full of happiness. Now coming down from the divine to mundane life — this function has been organised exceedingly well and we began with a function where a number of important persons came and addressed the gathering and they expressed 'bewilderment' — that was the word used by Mr. Chidambaram, the former Finance Minister. Yes people are bewildered. They just cannot believe their eyes, they cannot understand how human beings who quarrel outside this world are just in love with each other. When they go back, they go back amazed, stunned and they do not know how it has happened.

Gradually it will seep in. All these person spoke so well, so highly and we must be very very grateful to them. I think that day Shri Yogi Mahajan, who is here, played a very big role. He was the master of ceremonies. Rajesh Shah is not here, he was responsible for bringing a number of them. That was a moment when these political leaders began to see, they were deficient and where your Mother was

creating a new model for them to follow. Then we have had marvellous music programmes. Music is spiritual. It lifts you up and music has been a very integral part of Sahaja Yoga movement. And here I would like to thank and congratulate Baba. I call him Baba because he is my 'Sala' (brother-in-law) but he has made a wonderful role in getting music together and organising this and let's give him a big hand.

Apart from music function of this kind a celebration of this magnitude requires a tremendous amount of organisation. I know some international conferences have been organised for 2000 persons, 3000 persons and I assure you they were not even half as well done as this one has been organised here. There are many many who had joined hands, many Sahaja Yogis — Delhi and from outside and to all of them I would like to express my gratitude. The Yuva Shakti — they have been extremely extremely busy, very helpful. They played a great role. The caterer — he has produced excellent food. Everyone has combined. But there is always a master mind behind all this. Please don't believe that these things happen so automatically. There is someone behind this and that some is Mr. Nalgirkar. I request him to come along. Give him a standing ovation.

That concludes my remarks. I want to thank all those who have,

Once again Shri Nirmala Mataji ki Jai.

Thank you,

God bless you, Thank you once again.

BABA MAMA :

Thank you Sir for all your advice and summing up. It is so beautiful. I have always been your 'Sala' and I will remain your 'Sala'. But there is much more than 'Salahood'. You have been always like a father to me as Shri Mataji has been a mother to me. And most importantly the love that flows from both of you is the source of my living — That's all I can say.

The last word

—Dr. Wolfgang Hackl

Dear brothers and sisters I was asked by many western Sahaja Yogis to say something. It is very embarrassing if you come here and you are treated like a king for some, for 14 days now and then those who treat you like a king say thank you that you have come. Dear brothers and sisters we sit now in a palace and wherever this palace is built up now, in a few days, there will be only sand, some lizards running around. There will no light because there is no generator and nobody puts the diesel into generator. There will be no water coming out of the pipes because nobody fills the water tanks. There will be no assistance booth. There will be nobody who says — any volunteers to accompany western ladies for shopping. It will be everything as it was before, just a barren land with a few huts. The huts will look nicer now because it belongs to the government but in order to give better accommodation to everybody the Sahaja Yogis of Delhi, the Sahaja Yogis of India have prepared everything very nicely so it will be in a nice state when we leave. But for all this we are, we are the ones who are very very grateful to the Sahaja Yogis of India, to the Sahaja Yogis of Delhi, to Mr.Nalgirkar and his group — we are very very thankful to you. Please give them a hand and give them another standing ovation. As it is a festival for our Mother, an incarnation of our Mother, the beloved family of our Mother plays an important role. And we never come to the point that we express our emotions towards these wonderful beings which are here with us and what I wanted to say is that we feel very much honoured that you stayed here with us. You must be very special that you are so close to our Mother and we are of course channels.

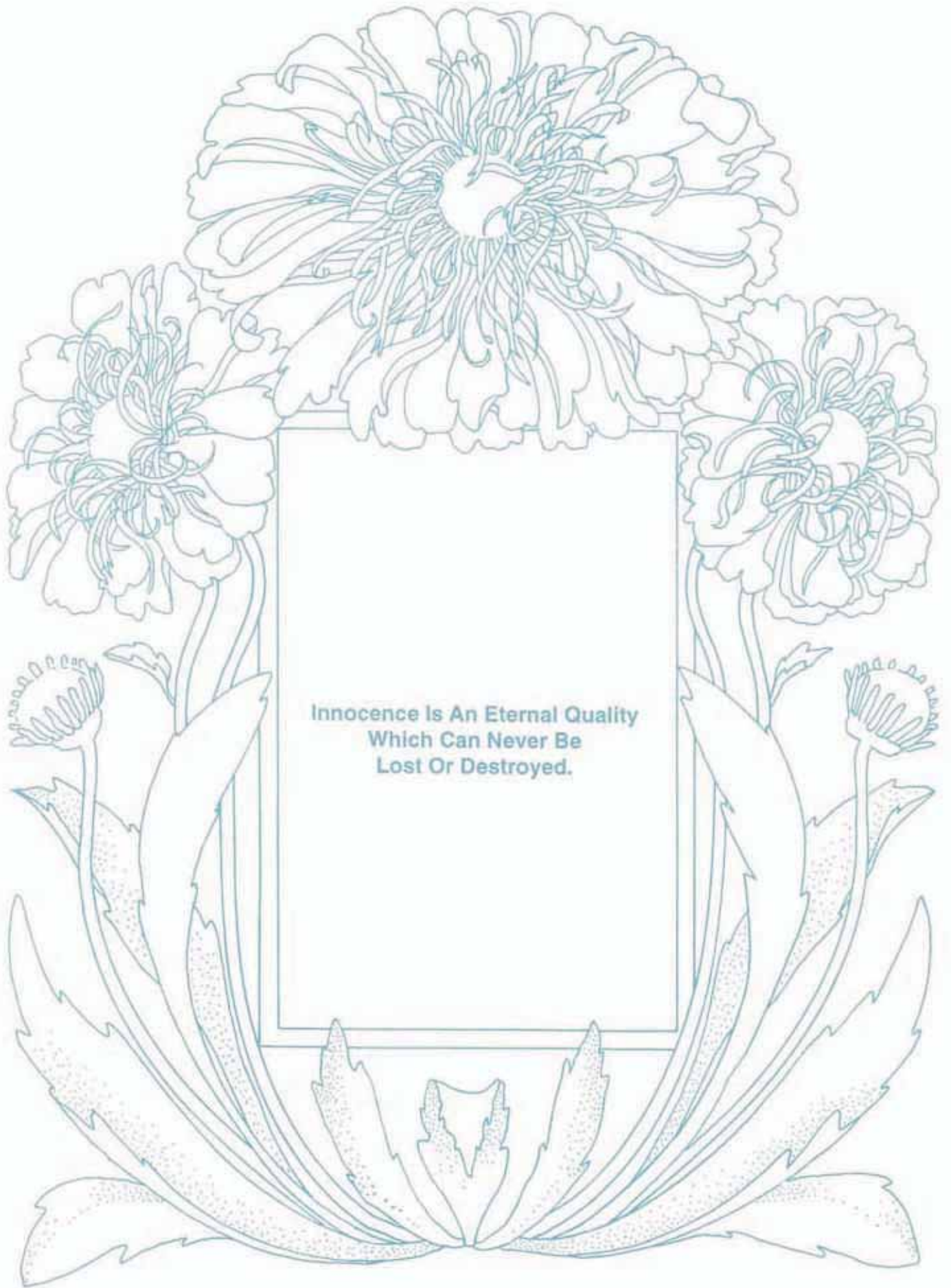
Sir C.P. you are such an example for us in humility and at the same time dignity and with such a loving heart and we are so happy that you are always with us, you sit there, at the side of our Holy Mother and we are very very happy that you are with us and we hope that you will be with us for many many more times. And dear Baba Mama, you are really a Mama to all of us.

You are always surrounded by many Sahaja Yogis, always trying to catch people for the Academy. And if one thing we can do for you is to add one name to your 999 names — which should be — the lord of the young nights. there are so many members of Shri Mataji's family like Sadhna didi and Kalpana didi and all the other persons which we personally do not know so well and they also personally do not know us so well. We are very happy that they are with us and please give them a big hand.

And thus the grand festival came to an end.

Jai Shri Mataji





Innocence Is An Eternal Quality
Which Can Never Be
Lost Or Destroyed.