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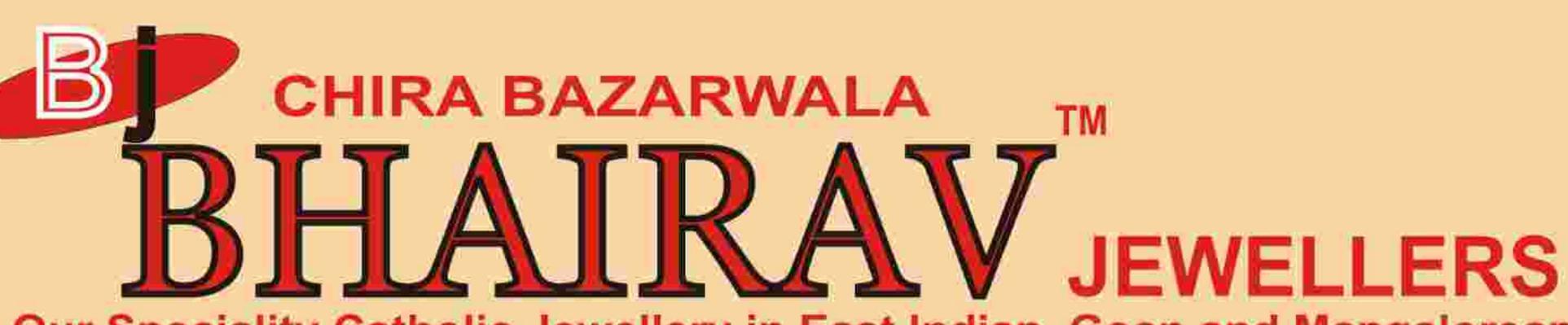
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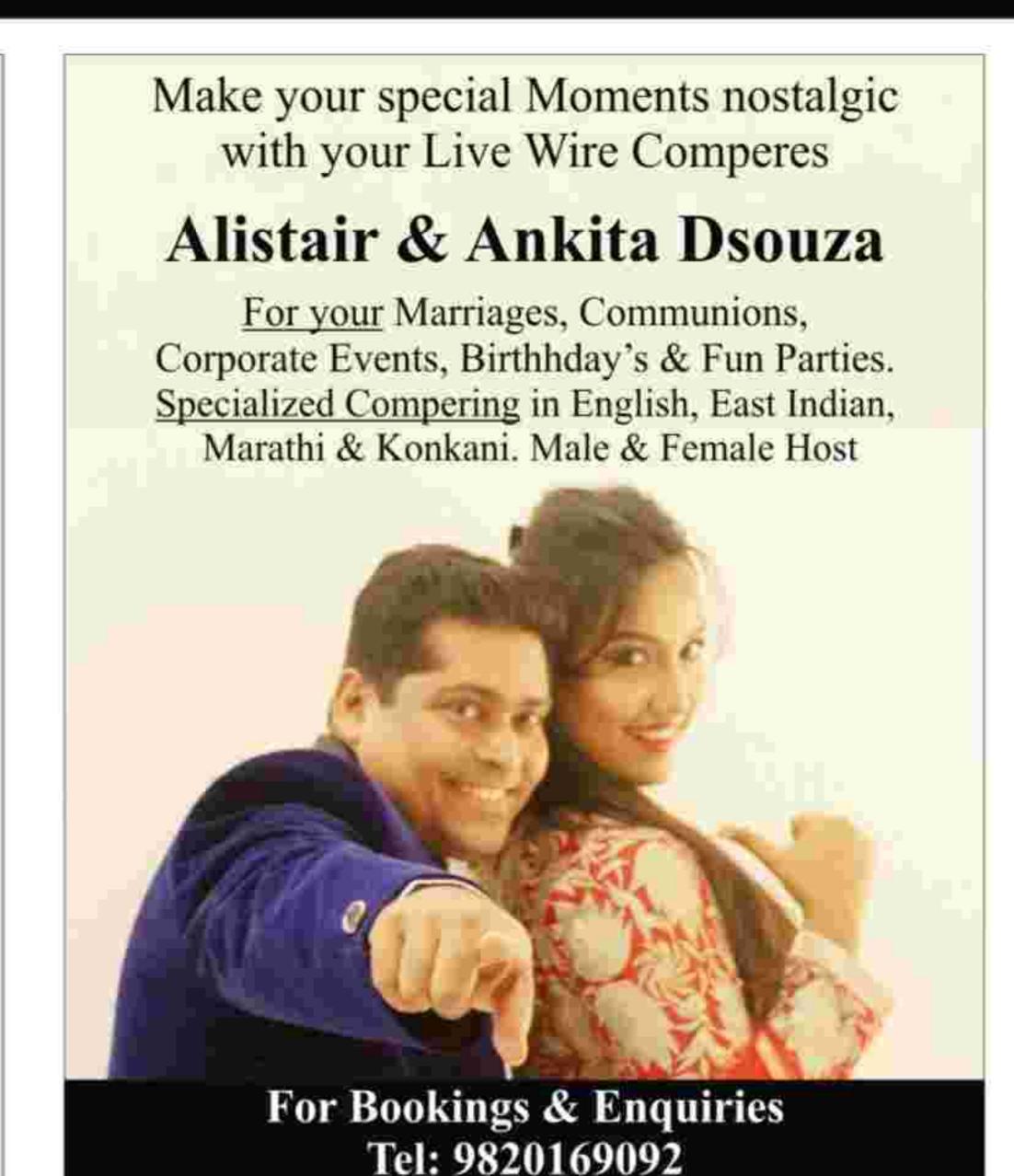
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East Indian Museum

Promoting Culture and Tradition

Mobai Gaothan Panchayat (MGP) has been trying it's best for allotment of land for the East Indian Bhavan and this could take a couple of years or even decades. There is an urgent need to create awareness about our culture and the Museum is one great way. MGP has opened an East Indian Museum (3rd Phase) at Mobai Bhavan, Manori. The Basic Plan of the East Indian Museum had an estimated cost of around Rs.9 lacs and the Dream Project could cost much more. We appeal to you to help us in recovering costs for the 4th Phase to be released in May 2016. The List of planned additions to the Museum will be shared by out Museum Team soon.

You could support us in the following ways:-

Special Donors - Rs.10,000/-

(names will be mentioned at the Museum Entrance)

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(photographs will be installed at the Museum entrance)

Monthly Sponsors - Rs.6,000/-

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*You could also donate any amount big or small and donations in kind are also welcome.

*All donors names will be mentioned in the Gaothan Voice.

*Please inform your East Indian Friends and Relatives to Support this East Indian Museum Project.

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EAST INDIAN COMMUNITY FUND

Support in Education, Medical and other Emergencies

Mobai Gaothan Panchayat(MGP) has launched the East Indian Community Fund to support a section of our community who are poor or belong to the middle class. The authorities who boast of helping the poor do not help in the right spirit as they have improper processes which prevent our community members to approach these authorities. Besides our community members are always known to suffer silently. MGP has decided not to be depend on these authorities who seem to be least cared about the East Indian Community. The challenge now remains to help our community in our own small way.

MGP will appoint the EIC Fund Coordinators in each village/zone and will also have a central coordinator. On submitting an Application form the family will be supported from the Fund account basis the fund balances in the account. MGP will support the amount in full or partially towards Education, medical needs and in case of emergencies. MGP is sure that each East Indian will contribute to ensure that the needy in our community are given the support they need. Special drives and initiatives will be released from time to time to generate funds for the East Indian Community.

The Highlights of the East Indian Community Fund are as follows:-

- *Donors can also sponsor basis the number of students for education support
- *All Donors names will be mentioned in the Gaothan Voice
- *The names of beneficiaries will not be published but will be provided to donors as per their request
- *This support will be provided only to the East Indian Community
- *The financials of this account will be released once a year
- *Please mention your name in your funds transfer
- *Please inform your East Indian Friends and Relatives in India and Abroad to Support the East Indian Community Fund

For more details or to be EIC Fund Coordinators you may contact 7506175302 or email us at eastindianfund@gmail.com

Bank account details:-

Account Name -East Indian Community Fund
Bank name – Citizen Credit Co-operative Bank Ltd, Vakola Branch
Savings Account number – 15624
IFSC code - CCBL0209016

For more details you may contact 9820087771.

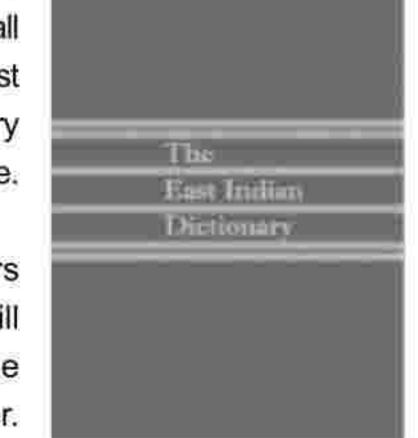
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THE EAST INDIAN DICTIONARY

The First Ever edition of the East Indian Language

MobaiGaothan Panchayat announced its plans to release the first-ever East Indian Dictionary in July 2012. The project took its time as we had a small bunch of volunteers who came forward to compile the Dictionary. The East Indian Dictionary is now set for release by this year end and the Dictionary Team has planned all the actionables pending to ensure timely release.



The East Indian Dictionary will create awareness amongst youngsters and will promote the East Indian dialect. The East Indian Dictionary will be a compilation of the words spoken by East Indians initially in the English version and also plans to have a Marathi version released later.

Our Dictionary Team has done a great job in collecting East Indian words. Our Team has tried its best to cover as many East Indian words. We have tried to cover East Indian words on the basis of Weddings and Celebrations, Grammar and general words, religion and caste, occupation and business, food and drink, household and kitchen. The Objective of this project is to promote awareness of the East Indian Language, demand recognition of the language and be a handy reference to young East Indians and other communities.

The MGP Dictionary Team volunteers are as follows:-

Chief Project Coordinator and Assistant Editor - Candida Remedios, Vikhroli Editor- Gleason Barretto, Old Kurla

Team Members - Gladys Dsouza(Bandra), Marcus Couto(Panvel), Cedric Tixeira(Juhu), Sybil Rodrigues(Kalina), Corina Misquitta(Parle) and Bernard Miranda(Kalina).

The Dictionary project will cost us around 1 Lac for 1000 copies. All those who wish to assist us in this project are requested to contact 9820545302 or email us at mgpmobai@gmail.com. Sponsors are welcome at Rs.5000 each and the names of the sponsor s will be mentioned on one common page in the East Indian Dictionary.

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MGP NEWS ISLAND THE EAST INDIAN NEWS CHANNEL

MGP ORGANISES FOURTH **EAST INDIAN CONCLAVE**

'he first ever East Indian agenda will be basis the online recognize the East Indian leader. Crosses and Churches survey basis which demands will be raised to the Central/State Government, Municipal Corporation, Archdiocese and East Indian Associations/Activists.

MGP will continue to organize the Annual East Indian Conclave and plans to host the First Ever the year 2017. MGP thanks Hotel organizing the Harvest Festival, Avion for sponsoring the Agerainabiggerwaythis year. MGP *R&S Art and Culture Group Conclave.

MGP YOUTH ORGANISES FIRST EVER SINGING COMPETITION

The Competition at Gorai was organized at Vailankanni Farms. A total of 44 songs were performed under solo, duet, Old is Gold and Kaka Baptista categories. A Kaka Baptista categories. A round 2 years ago we got to withdrawn and new faces special performance by upcoming know about a heritage Holy to be announced soon was one of the highlights of the missing due to building coming up *East Indians denied Bandra eveming. The Youth team plans to through social media. We Fair stalls once again after organize many such activities managed to connect with the being assured last year by aimed at the East Indian Youth. developer and were informed that the past Rector

MGP OBSERVES KAKA **BAPTISTA MEMORIAL DAY**

group to organize a La team paid their respects at back in time for the Cross feast in Conclave, Mobai Gaothan I Uttan and Sewri Cemetry May and also restore once the Panchayat organized its 4th on 18th September which is building was ready. The developer Annual East Indian Conclave at observed as Kaka Baptista kept his word and the picture of Hotel Avion on 27th November. Memorial Day. An MGP team visited this restored Holy Cross opposite The Conclave was attended by 34 the grave of Kaka Baptista at Sewri Phoenix market city in Culbavor East Indians with Group and offered floral tributes to the East village, Kurla along church road discussions and presentations by Indian Freedon Fighter. A team also was sent by him. We thank JB experts. The finalised East Indian visited the bust of Kaka Baptista at Group and may God bless their Agenda for the year 2017 will be Uttan to pay their respect. team. MGP appeals to all in the

EAST INDIANS ORGANISE AGERA WITH INCREASED **FESTIVITY**

East Indian Intermtional Meet in tradition more seriously wby very good response got reports from around 20 parishes releases their first-ever Music which organized the festival on a CD through the hands of huge scale. MGP also issued Agera Bishop Bosco Penha celebration guidelines for the very first time which got positive feedback * Maharashtra CM strictly GP East Indian MGP plans to promote more East Gaothans and Koliwadas Youth(MEIY) organized Indian Festivals in the combined from across East Indian villages. instructs BMC to designate Youth (MEIY) organized Indian Festivals in the coming year specifically in the DP V its first ever East Indian and will also present a special awards Youth Singing Competition for East Indian Associations who *East Indian Dialect Mass attended by around 500 youth. promote these traditional festivals. continues to be promoted

MGP IMPACT

the Holy Cross was safe and to avoid damage during construction was removed. The developer s done every year the MGP promised to place the holy cross announced by year end on Social MGP also send a communication community to support the Media and in the next issue. The to the authorities with demands to restoration of heritage Holy

ONE LINERS

*Dharavi Beth Bachav Samiti ast Indian activists and along with like-minded associations have taken associations organizes a promotion of culture and Dharavi Beth Bandh which got a

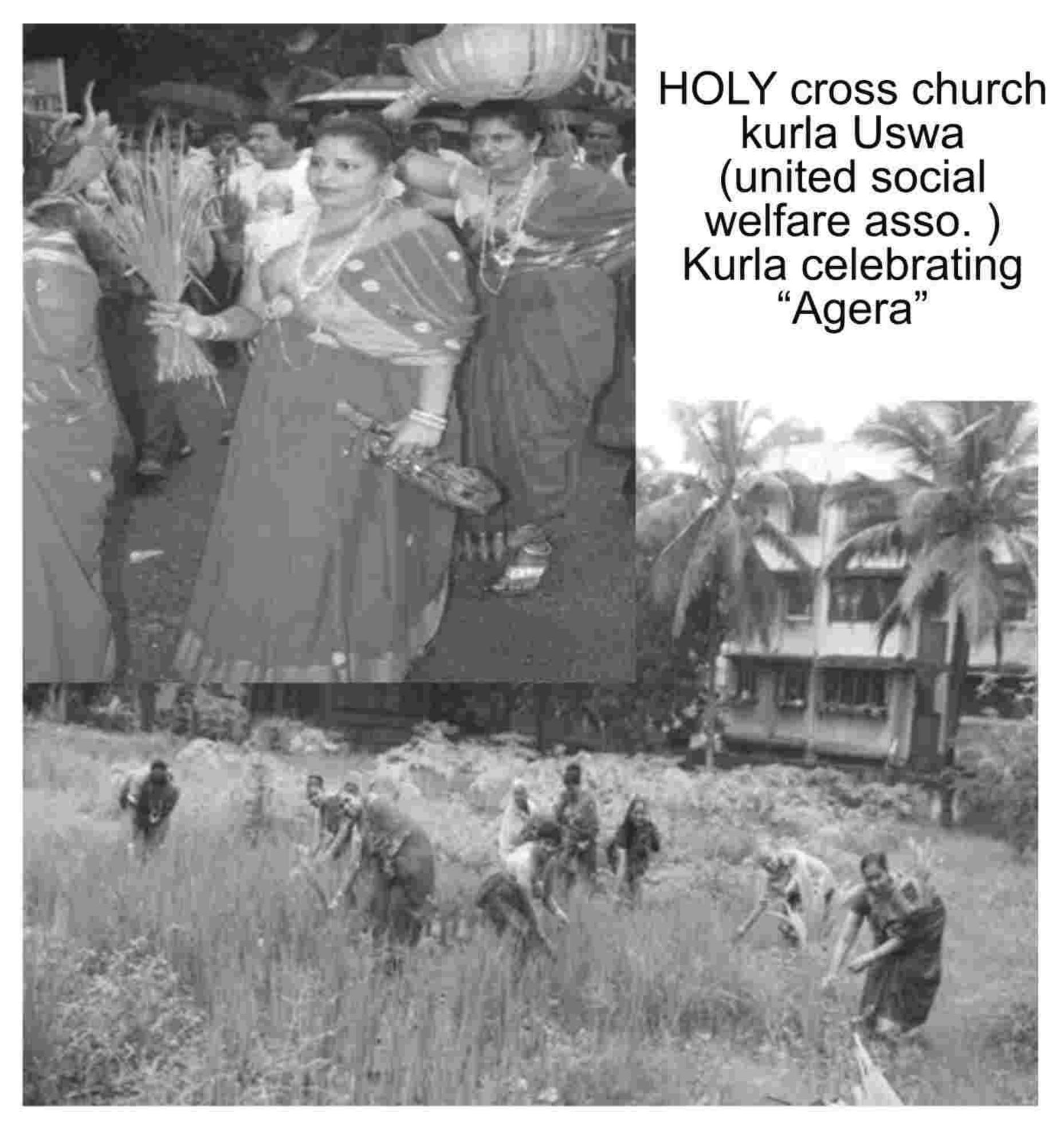
with special Holy Mass at Dahisar and Uttan

* MGP Sarpanches round 2 years ago we got to withdrawn and new faces

AGERA FESTIVAL IN GAOTHAN'S

St Anthony's Church, Malad celebrating 'Agera'









St. John the Evangelist Church, Marol, Andheri East, Mumbai celebrating Agera

On this Agera Cha San our MGP dedicated coordinators Royston, Rossi and Walter through local farmers - Peter L Dmello (Gorai), Eldrin E Godinho (Gorai), John A Dmello (Gorai), Philip J Murzello (Gorai), Mrs Hilda John (Gorai) ,distributed Paddy to Our Lady of Assumption Kandivali, Our lady of Lourdes Orlem (Malad W), St.Blaise Amboli(Andheri W), St Peter Church Bandra, St Anthony Church Malwani, Our lady of Egypt church Kalina, Infant Jesus chapel, Our lady of Remedy Church Poinsur, Our lady of Nazareth Church Bhayendar, Holy Magi Church Gorai, Our lady of Fatima Kirol, St Vincent Pallotti Marol. We thank all these farmers for their support in helping the community celebrate Agera the traditional way.

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EAST INDIAN CONCLAVE 2016



Adv. Neil Creado speaks on Upliftment of the Community



Prof.Fleur Dsouza speaks on Restoration of Holy Crosses in the Gaothans



Gerson DaCunha shares his views about our community



The participants of the MGP East Indian Conclave 2016

PARTICIPANTS OF THE EAST INDIAN CONCLAVE 2016

| Name | Place | Name | Place |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| Alistair Dsouza | Juhu | Marie Concessio | Bandra |
| Alphi Dsouza | Vakola | Merck Dsilva | Bandra |
| Ancy Dsouza | Bandra | Neil Creado | Juhu |
| Anthony Dsouza | Vakola | Ophellia Dsouza | Santacruz |
| Barses Dsouza | Orlem | Otillia Dsouza | Orlem |
| Charleston Gonsalves | Versova | Prof. Fleur Dsouza | Thane |
| christina kinny | Kalina | Rodley Misquitta | Irla |
| Darryl Dmonte | Bandra | Russel Gonsalves | Versova |
| Darryl Fernandes | Gundavli | Sandra Dsouza | Orlem |
| Darryl Pereira | Bandra | Sandra Fernandes | Marol |
| Denver Dsilva | Kurla | Savio Coutinho | Vile Parle |
| Flynn Denis Jiu | Uttan | Shane Cardoz | Bandra |
| Francis Kinny | Kalina | Shoun Leo Colaco | Uttan |
| Gerson Dacunha | Churchgate | Silvy Pereira | Vasai |
| Jude Concessio | Bandra | Smita Pereira | Irla |
| Julie Shinde | Marol | Sybil Rodrigues | Kalina |
| Leandar Dias | Irla | Sylvester Dsouza | Thane |

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EAST INDIAN EXCLUSIVE

Special Cover Story

Blessing of the Icon of St. Teresa of Kolkata

n Sunday, 4th September 2016, the day of Mother Teresa's canonization, an icon (statue) of Mother Teresa was unveiled in the premises of St. Lawrence High School & Jr. College. The icon was blessed by the chief guest His Lordship most Rev. Bishop Domnic Savio Fernandes along with the Guest of honour His Lordship most Rev. Bishop Bosco Penha. The blessing ceremony was attended by many Rev. Fathers and Sisters. After the blessing, a get together was organized in the school hall which began by lighting of the lamp and garlanding the photos of St. Teresa and Dr. Radhakrishnan (as Teacher's day was also celebrated) by the dignitaries present for the function followed by a melodious song by the students praising Mother Teresa's work. The Lyrics were composed by the Chairman Sylvester D'souza. The function's highlight was felicitation of prominent women who excelled in various fields and given their contribution to the society and a source of constant support to their husbands, who without their better half's help would have found very challenging and difficult to give time to the society and community. They were presented with "Value Your Role" trophy a shawl and a momento of Mother Terrasa by the Bishops Domnic Savio Fernandes and Bosco Penha

Dr. Fabian Almeida a renowned Psychiatrist, Counsellor and Motivator faced by today's teachers as well as students spoke about the problems. He urged the teachers to focus not only on the student's academic progress but also understand their problems, as every student is unique and accordingly blessed with different talents. All present Rev. Fathers and nuns were presented a bouquet and a momento (St. Teresa's picture). Chairman Mr. Sylvester D'souza highlighted the importance of priest and nuns in ones life as an important teacher and spiritual guide. Sylvester D'souza also shared his experience when he attended Mother Teresa's funeral at Kolkata to pay the last respects. The school's Inter-house competitions committee members were also felicitated by His Lordship Bishop Domnic Savio Fernandes for their devoted work for last 8 years in making the competitions more student friendly and offering them a platform to be competitive and versatile through creativity.

The generosity of the guest present was very evident when the Chairman requested everyone to contribute monetary help for 'Missionaries of Charity'. The amount contributed was Rs. 44,000/- which was presented to the Missionaries of Charity Airoli and Santacruz . The program ended with a vote of thanks by Principal and Trustee Mrs. Ursula D'souza..



Serving our Community with an East Indian Heart

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| 2 | Gaothan Advisory Panel | 16 | Music Promotion . |
| 3 | Gaothan Beautification Project | 17 | East Indian Foods Promotion |
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| 14 | East Indian Special Days | | |

All those interested in supporting our team in the above mentioned projects may contact 7506175302/9820087771. Students will be presented a Certificate of Appreciation as a part of the College projects. Every Hand that Supports us will Help us take our Community to Greater Heights.



MGP CHRISTMAS COMETITION



- East Indian Gaothan Crib Competition, Best Decorated Gaothan Bylane, Best Gaothan Christmas Celebration.
- All Associations groups or individuals are welcome to Participate. For crib competiton and best decorated gaothan a maximum of 2 photos only to be sent and for best Christmas celebration a brief to be sent with some photographs if possible.
- Last Date: 30th December 2016. You may send your Details at gaothanyoice@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS WISHES FROM FR. NICHOLAS ANTHONY. CAPUCHIN VIDYAVIHAR

East Indian Community candidate contesting

for BMC election

Name: Shane Cardoz

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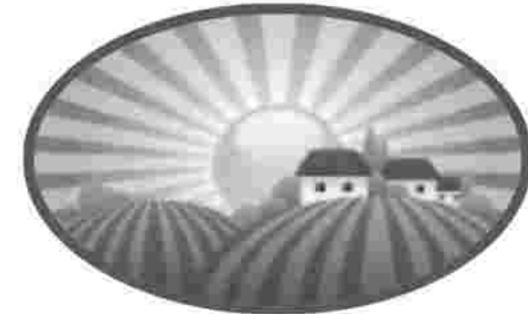
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EAST INDIAN CENSUS 2016

Making the Community Count

MobaiGaothanPanchayat(MGP) launched the first-ever East Indian Census on Sunday, 10th January 2016 which also happened to be an important date in the East Indian Community Calendar. On this day, the East Indian Community celebrates the feast at St.Bonaventure Church along the Madh Island popularly known as Baravi Cha Sann or Erangal Cha Sann.

This census will be open to all in the East Indian Community online and also through printed Census forms. This will be one of the most challenging Projects to be undertaken by MGP which will be led by Alistair Dsouza who will be the Chief Census Officer. As per reports there are around 5 lac East Indians across Bombay, Thane, Vasai and Raigad.

Highlights of the Census

- → First ever Census launched exclusively for the East Indian Community
- + Printed as well as Online form will be available
- + Any individual whose any one parent, any one grand parent or spouse is an East Indian can register for the Census
- + Census entries will be listed Free of Cost
- + Those listed can also apply for an East Indian Card @Rs.100/- The first Batch of cards will be released in the coming months
- + The Census will help in getting an update on the actual East Indian Population
- + Will also help us create a data with important references in networking amongst the community and creating a support system to uplift the community
- + A Census form will be approved by 2 Census coordinators basis which the Census entry will be approved and be allotted a Unique East Indian Census Identification Number

The East Indian Census 2016 covers details like:

- Personal Details
- Family Hierarchy
- Relations Spread
- Life events
- Property History
- Home/Residence details
- Education History
- Professional History
- OBC Certificate details
- Annual Income

For more details you may contact:

Alistair Dsouza, Chief Census Officer - 9820169092 Alphi Dsouza, Chief Ambassador of the East Indian Community - 9820087771

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FREE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE OF MOBAI GAOTHAN PANCHAYAT

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*Patron members are welcome:

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Gold-Rs.2500,

Silver - Rs. 1000/-

- *Volunteers welcome to garner membership in their villages
- *Special award for those who register maximum members
- *For membership forms and more information you may call

Alphi: 9820087771

MGP Members Privileges

- *Discount upto 50% at Mobai Bhavan, Manori
- *Attractive discounts on some products and services at East Indian Bazaar
- *No courier charges on El books and some goodies
- *Gaothan Voice The East Indian Magazine will be delivered at your Doorstep

EASTINDIAN PUNCH

The Mouthpiece of the Mobai Gaothan Panchayat

EK BIJYALA DEVUN MADATICHA HAATH DAVRU AAPLI NAVHI CHIMBORYACHI JAATH UPLIFT! EMPOWER! RESTORE! REVIVE

ice time to connect with our community across our network to greet them during Christmas and do our little bit to take our community to greater heights. The MGP 4th East Indian Conclave focused on one of the most important issues of our community with the theme, "Uplift! Empower! Restore! Revive". East Indians from all walks of life came together for a common purpose to participate in discussions to take our community forward. A large section of our community belong to the middle class and some are poor. We need to raise these sections to better heights and in the truest sense Uplift them. Some of our community members have offered to share job opportunities. Educational support and Guidance is also being planned to encourage our youth into being better professionals.



ago our community was passionate about their occupations but slowly our people preferred salaried jobs with limited risks and fixed incomes. We lost the gamble here by forgetting our community roots through its scale of businesses and occupations. It's time we bring back the business blood amongst our community by encouraging them into business. It's time to Empower our women to form self-help groups and promote our community special products and also those that have a potential market. The youth should be encouraged to take their talents, expertise and professional qualifications to the next level. In the past our community was known to have the best of people across professions and businesses. Its time to get our community interested to do their own business in a field they like wherein they can take higher risks with confidence to earn higher incomes.

he Gaothan look seems to have disappeared with an exception of some Gaothans who have committed activist who continuously safeguard their native village. MGP salutes these committed activist for taking up this initiative to Restore our Gaothans and we pray that many more may support and join them in their tough mission. Many Gaothans may have changed their look but a majority of the Holy Crosses remain grounded in their original place. We appeal to all community activists to ensure that the Holy Crosses are restored to their original look and not renovated. All community members should also insist that the Churches are restored and not renovated. MGP has constantly emphasized on this to the Archdiocese hierarchy and we pray that they take the Restoration subject seriously. Heritage is an important subject to prove the identity of the East Indian Community hence restoration remains important.

gera this year was a great celebration thanks to all the community leaders and associations who did a great job to Revive the forgotten festival. The East Indian Community was known for its Festivals and Celebrations and it's time for revival of all our cultural and traditional practices. We look forward to active participation and support from our community members as we take revival on an active note. MGP Cultural and Traditional Team will soon come out with a list of these festivals and celebrations for the reference of all in our community. After the appreciation on Agera Guidelines, our team will similarly work on guidelines for other celebrations.

ives of the East Indian Community have changed and we adjusted basis the migrant influx thereby forgetting our precious roots. Time for each one of us to do our little bit to Uplift, Empower, Restore and Revive what truly belongs to the East Indian Community. There are many community associations and activists who differ on various topics and work on their different agendas. Its time we don't get negative against each other but instead focus on fulfilling the East Indian issues. We may work on different tangents but we should always focus on ensuring that our Community flag flies high across the globe especially in our native places. Together if we work towards this we are sure we can take our East Indian Community to Greater Heights. This Christmas lets us pray that this great festival may give birth to the new look East Indian Community just like the MGP New look-East Indian Crab which will not push down but instead UPLIFT the community.

For feedback on this article please send us a mail at eastindianvoice@gmail.com

EMST INDIMN LMUNCH SPECIAL LAUNCHES AT THE EAST INDIAN CONCLAVE 2016

MGP LAUNCH #1 EAST INDIAN HOLOGRAM A Special Security feature for the East Indian Community

Initiative Brief

- •The East Indian Hologram has the MGP created El unity design also used on flags
- The East Indian Hologram will be affixed on all East Indian Cards
- •The hologram will also be used on MGP receipts to avoid misuse
- ·East Indian certified merchandise will also have the hologram on them

Lauch Date: 27th November 2015

Target East Indian Cards with Hologram to be issued by year end 2017 - 1000

MGP LAUNCH #2 EAST INDIAN LEADERS PROMOTION Creating awareness and promoting East Indian Community Leaders

Initiative Brief

- First set of leaders for promotion St.Gonsalo Garcia, Kaka Baptista and Cardinal Simon Pimenta
- Communications will be sent to various authorities for promotion
- •Renaming of roads and facilities with East Indian leaders names
- •Awareness programs and drives to be comducted on East Indian Leaders
- Annual Awards to be dedicated to these East Indian Leaders
- •Facilities at the proposed East Indian Bhavan to be names after these leaders

Lauch Date: 27th November 2015

Target promotions for these East Indian Leaders - 25

MGP LAUNCH #3 EAST INDIAN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK Creating an East Indian network across the Globe

Initiative Brief

- International Coordinators will be appointed for a Country, State, Province, City or Place
- Around 8 East Indians have confirmed to be our Coordinators in their present locations
- International coordinators will support and promote East Indian Projects
- •International Coordinators will also organize and support local East Indian programmes
- International Coordinators will be aligned to MGP and IEICC

East Indian International Coordinators - Dubai- Brendan Sutari, Dubai - Sachin Kinny, Malaysia - Alan Gonsalves, Oman - Jenny Sutari, Oman - Jenny Sutari, Saudi Arabia - Vivek Hendriques, New Zealand - Malcolm D'sa, New Zealand - Hubert Dsilva. Australia - Cajetan Pinto,

Lauch Date: 27th November 2015

Target number of East Indian International Coordinators – 25

MGP LAUNCH # EAST INDIAN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE First-ever International Meet of the East Indian Community

Initiative Brief

- •First International Conference will be organized in Dubai
- We expect around 25 East Indians across the Globe to attend this Conference
- •The Dubai Coordinators have started their planning to host the first conference
- The Conference will be organized by MGP

Launch Date: 27th November 2015

East Indian International Conference frequency - Once every year

For Suggestions/feedback on these launches you may mail us at mgpmobai@gmail.com or call Alphi on 9820087771.

NATEKAR: The East Indian Marriage Bureau

Mobai Gaothan Panchayat has initiated a Marriage Bureau. Anyone interested to register may send a photograph and other details to the office which will be placed in an album of all those who have registered with us. Anyone can visit the MGP office to check out the Album after registeration.

Registeration is FREE.

Off Address: Mobai Gaothan Panvhayat, Bennett House, Kolivery Village, Next to Chris Chinese, Kalina, Santacruz East, Mumbai 400029 or call 9321795938, only between 5pm and 7pm on all days

Property Disputes Arbitration Cell

Mobao Gaothan Panchayat has initiated a "Property Disputes Arbitration Cell" consisting of a team of eminent East Indians, Legal and financial Professionals, to assist our East Indian brethern to expeditiously - on a time bound understanding and cost effectively, resolve their interse family property disputes, issues relating a family members shares and rights to immovable properties and such family related property disputes that they would like to jointly refer for adjudication as per legal process.

For more details you may call 7506175302

A special opportunity for our community



EAST INDIAN VOICE

AN EAST INDIAN SPEAKS FROM THE HEART

Uplift East Indians

- Adv. Neil Creado

This is not a forum for semantics and yet I would if you don't mind like to explore very briefly the etymology and connotation of the word---uplift which is -----to edify, inspire, bring out of the morass, raise up, intellectual or moral improvement of community consequent to our lands being forcibly acquired and the draconian rent laws and the government's appeasement of slums at our cost in this once amazingly fertile and beautiful 7 islands of Bombay being imposed on us quite a number of our people either gave up as their mainstay was agriculture such as rice, mangoes, grass,, coconuts and the like and were at a total loss as to their next step to continue their standard of living and which they enjoyed not through the largesse of anyone but from their very own honest labour and love of their precious land and of course most importantly to provide for their children, However, to come back to the present which we have no choice but to deal with and on a war footing. Today we need to assess the mindset of our people and inculcate in them not the service routine which has been giving them a meagre existence and where they are at the mercy of someone else's whim and fancies, likes and dislikes but to look beyond at the very many entrepreneurial possibilities which are available and to demonstrate with examples before our very eyes the many success stories we read about almost every day and so we need to reach out to them and demonstrate the way in our currently incredible india which is even more incredible each day and with the current situation causing the circumstances which all can view on any honest and truthful TV channel.

We need to provide all the possible information on various platforms they can access to their advantage and very broadly:

- 1. ascertain their skills and talents
- 2. source out training academies or firms and companies which can help
- 3. list banks and other financial institutions which can help with the best possible loans

In order to change their mindset we need to impress upon them the benefits of entrepreneurship and nurture their individual talents whether it be music, painting, event management, education, printing, etc. and guide them as to the modus operandi and really hold their hands in their first steps with encouragement and kindness since quite a few of us are in a position either by way of inheritance or our own ambitious success to be able to guide them. This will be the initial stage where we impress upon them the greater benefits which will accrue and can possibly benefit entire families but also inculcate in them the most important "work ethic" for nothing is gained without elbow grease and in these days of struggle people will appreciate this and those whose mindset is attuned to the real need to do something out of the box for themselves and their families will delve into this new world with enthusiasm and it is for us to lead the way, MGP has spearheaded and enthused many a programme for the East Indians. The MGP team can, with assistance from the well placed once again put together a specific plan to meet and reach out to our people and truly work towards their upliftment.



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MGP Kalina Office

Our office will remain open for the East Indian community on Thursdays between 7pm to 8pm.

You may also take an appointment to meet our MGP CEO, Alphi Dsouza on 9820087771.

MGP Office Address: Mobai Gaothan Panchayat, Bennett House, Kolivery village, Next to Chris Chinese, Kalina, Santacruz East, Mumbai 400 029. Email: eastindianoffice@gmail.com

EAST INDIAN SANN 2017

The Annual Festival of the East Indian Community

Mobai Gaothan Panchayat(MGP) is glad to announce plans for its Eighth Annual Festival for the EastIndian Community. East Indians are the original inhabitants of Mobai (Bombay), Bassein(Vasai) and Thana(Thane and Raigad) and this Annual Festival will showcase East Indian Talent, Culture and Tradition. The festival will begin in the first week of May and will close on 31st May.

The proposed Activity line up for the East Indian Sann are as follows:-



- *Complete details of the East Indian Sann will be announced soon
- *All income earned from the festival will be allocated towards MGP projects Preservation of Culture, Awareness bulletins and Self Help Groups.
- *All these activities will be organized only if the said projects are completed and ready for release
- *Your Suggestion and ideas are welcome to make this annual fest enjoyable and well-organised
- *We welcome Volunteers, Sponsors, Donors and Event Managers for the Festival.

For more information you may contact the MGP CEO, Alphi Dsouza on 9820087771 or Sybil Rodrigues on 9930229742.

EAST INDIAN DIRECTORY 2017

A Business Link for the East Indian Community

In continuation with MGP's objective for promoting East Indian businesses, we are glad to announce our plans for the East Indian Directory. The East Indian Directory will try to cover all East Indian Businesses whether big or small in the form of free classifieds.

MGP plans to release the East Indian Directory in May this year with a print run of around 1000 copies. The copies will be distributed amongst those who request for the same. The Directory will be made available for free and special copies may be charged. The East Indian Directory will be released annually and will be a ready reference for those who are in need of business services.

A link will soon be released online and a form will also be made available to all those who wish to be featured in the East Indian Directory. A business person can also email their details in the format which will appear like a classified in the East Indian Directory. Volunteers will also be appointed to get details of local businesses by distributing forms for being featured in the East Indian Directory.

The Advertisement rates for the East Indian Directory are as follows:-

Back Cover - Rs.50,000/-Four colour full page - Rs.10,000/-Full page(B/W) - Rs.2000/- Inside Covers - Rs.25,000/-Four colour half page - Rs.6,000/-Half page(B/W) - Rs.1000/-

*Excess income generated from the Directory will be allocated for various MGP Projects.

*For more information contact – 9820087771/9930229742.

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EAST INDIAN RALLY 2016

Bhaari Avaaz Konacha, East Indian Maansacha

The original inhabitants of Bombay, The East Indian Community will come together to participate in the annual East Indian Rally to voice the concerns of the community against the Central/State government, Municipal Corporation and the Archdiocese.

The East Indian Community has been a silent community and various authorities have taken us for granted. If we do not speak up our community may very well die a slow death. The sons-of-soil community is being treated like strangers on their native land. Of late the East Indian Gaothans are being targeted by authorities and its time we tell them that we have the right to suggest what we need and they cannot force us to follow their regulations. We expect around 500 community members and around 30 East Indian organization's to support this Annual Rally. All East Indians from Bombay, Dharavi Beth, Vasai, Thane and Raigad are invited to participate.

Date : Sunday, 5th March 2017

: 10:30am sharp Rosary in East Indian Dialect followed by Rally

Rally Starts from : Mount Mary's Church, Bandra

Rally ends at : St. Stanislaus Ground Floor Hall, Bandra

Rally Organised by : Mobai Gaothan Panchayat and other like-minded East Indian associations

The Top 10 issues to be raised at the rally are:-

- 1)To demand our rights as original inhabitants and if the concerned authorities cannot fulfill our demands they should give our lands back.
- 2)Housing quota and Job reservations for the East Indian Community, implementation of Gaothan expansion policy and Gaothans should not be considered as slums.
- 3)Single window permissions and self-developed ground-plus-two SITU for gaothans to be granted and Gaothans should be demarcated and have a special policy for development.
- 4)Land to be allotted for East Indian Bhavan and Sanskriti Gaothan in Bombay, Thane, Vasai and Raigad.
- 5)East Indian Food stalls to be allotted in each gaothan area and municipal ward.
- 6)No property tax should apply to East Indians, the original owners of Bombay, Thane, Vasai and Raigad.
- 7)Lands donated to churches and the archdiocese should not be sold and if not developed should be returned back for community development.
- 8)Simplified OBC process and East Indian Community to the recognized as natives of Bombay by the State and Central Government.
- 9)An East Indian Community welfare fund to be started in lieu of properties given to government for airport and other infra projects
- 10)East Indian gaothans to be self-governed and a Municipal Corporator to be elected by the East Indian community, an East Indian to be appointed on the BMC/ MMRDA/ Town Planning committee for Gaothans

It is surprising to see other migrant communities being granted their demands and the East Indian Community, the original inhabitants have not been granted a single benefit. So let us all come together in One Voice, as One East Indian Community and demand what is rightfully ours.

- *Each East Indian Family should send atleast one family member to represent their Family and Village.
- *All East Indian Associations who wish to support the Rally may contact us
- *We welcome sponsors in cash or kind towards Rally expenses like water, transport, sound, banners, posters, handbills, flags, etc.
- *Those who wish to volunteer at the Rally for Traffic, crowd control, security and Stalls may contact us.
- *For details contact 9820087771/9930229742/7506175302

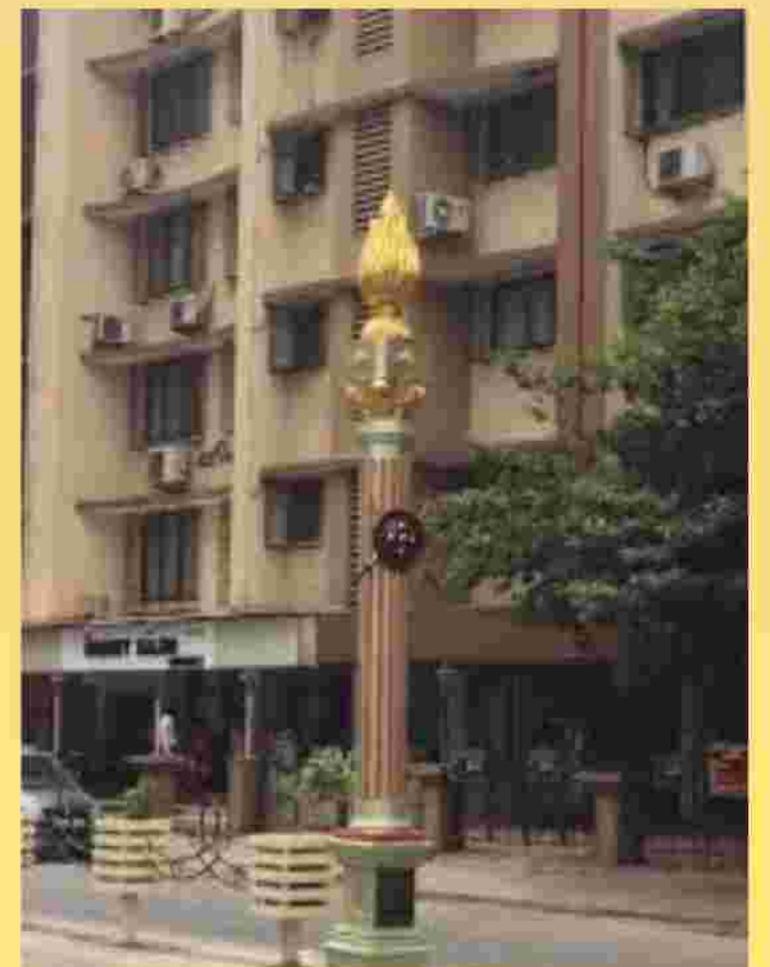
MGP Accounts from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016

| | Cash In Hand | MGP Bank A/c | MGP Welfare Bank A/c | Gaothan Voice Bank A/c |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Opening Balance | 341 | 11925.68 | 1050 | 17699.29 |
| Receipts | 176450 | 235286 | 332452 | 7359 |
| Payments | 175970 | 239180.4 | 230205 | 15000 |
| Closing Balance | 821 | 8031.32 | 103297 | 10058.29 |



Initiatives for the Community:

*Installing a Bravery Pillar dedicated to Amboli Bravehearts Keenan-Reuben



- *Ensured a communication from Chief Minister to ensure Gaothans specifically mentioned in the DP Plan.
- *Juhu identified as the Model Gaothan under the MGP initiated Gaothan Beautification Project
- *Raised the demand for an East Indian Bhavan in the Assembly



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