



Sanatan Sandesh

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From the Editor's Desk

Dear Readers

Welcome

2020 - the year of the COVID -19 pandemic, has finally drawn to an end. It was a year that will be hard to erase from our memories, a year like no other! Environmental disasters and other challenges tested our resilience, our fragility, our vulnerability, and our ability to cope under duress. We witnessed social and economic disruptions, recessions, and world- wide lock downs. Despite all of these, we supported, we endorsed, we advocated and most important of all we survived. We were there for each other as family, as individuals and as a community. In this spirit let us welcome 2021 and lace it with hope and optimism. SSDHAQ wishes you good health, prosperity, wealth, wisdom, love, laughter and success in 2021!

SSDHAQ's Development Approval has been granted. We were officially informed of this much anticipated decision on 19th October 2020. Our first priority was to share this joyful moment with our members, and we did this promptly on the same day. This approval now paves our way forward and SSDHAQ has a plan in place for this truly historic event to eventuate.

The current EMC headed by Pt Anant Sharma is to be heartily congratulated for their collaborated efforts in bringing this to fruition. SSDHAQ is also mindful of the fact that this achievement has been possible through the collaborative efforts of previous EMCs and numerous other individuals. Thank you to one and all for your continued support and faith in SSDHAQ. United we will remain standing!

As we embark into 2021, we thank one and all for your support in 2020. We also thank the 2020 EMC members, mandalis and volunteers for their worthwhile contributions, their time and their manual support during working bees. Please continue to inspire our Sanatani friends and families to join the organisation and provide their support. Let us work together in 2021 to continue achieving our dreams.

Best wishes for 2021. God bless you all.

Jai Sanatan.

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The construction of the project is planned in 3 stages - Stage 1 - Yoga/Meditation Hut (17m x 9m). Stage 2 - Community Hall 1 (catering for all activities as approved in the development application). Stage 3 - Community Hall 2 (slightly larger than Community Hall 1).

Construction works for Stage 1 is likely to commence in mid-January or early February. Our much-anticipated journey has begun!!!

**Our Journey is Your Journey.
Make it happen with your Donations.**

Donate today!

Donors may organise a direct deposit, electronic transfer or write cheques payable to SSDHAQ as follows:

Bank: Bank of Queensland Account Name: SSDHAQ BSB: 124 155 Account Number: 1064 6822

Tropical Cyclone Yasa -Fiji

Cyclone Yasa has been registered as the strongest tropical cyclone in the South Pacific since Cyclone Winston in 2016. It has caused extensive damage to various parts of Vanua Levu and surrounding islands leaving families homeless. SSDHAQ, with the Greater Brisbane Community Forum, is organising a container shipment of clothing, cooking utensils, white goods and similar items. The team at Shop and Save Supermarket have kindly sponsored the container shipment project. For this we are extremely grateful. Thank you to SSDHAQ for allowing the venue for receiving the donations and making arrangements for sorting, packing and loading the items. Donations can be made either in cash or in-kind. Items can be dropped off at Sanatan Centre, 550 Wembley Road, Berrinba between 6.00pm to 8.00pm.

All cash donations can be made to the following bank account-

Account Name: Shree Sanatan Dharam Hindu Association of Qld Inc

Bank: Bank of Queensland

BSB: 124 001

Account No: 1064 6822

Please clearly indicate "Yasa Appeal" as a reference on the deposit slip.

NOTICE

2/3 of the container is loaded. Donations on hand are still being sorted. Container expected to be fully loaded before the cut-off of 10th January. Please get your items as early as possible.

We welcome new members.

SSDHAQ welcomes Dr Sandhir Prasad as a Life Member.

SANATAN CALENDAR

2021 Calendar is now in circulation – free issue to members

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550 WEMBLEY ROAD BERRINBA QLD 4117 AUSTRALIA

AGM 2021

The term of the current EMC will end on 2 February 2021. An Annual General Meeting of members will be called for the election of new officials for the 2021 year. The current Executive Management Committee, under the leadership of President Pt Anant Ram Sharma, would like to thank you all for your support during their tenure. Because of the impacts of COVID 19, the management committee was unable to host most of the major festivals and events in 2020. We do hope, however, that the situation would improve, and the incoming EMC would be more successful. We extend our sincere appreciation to the many volunteers, donors, sponsors, mandalis, and our community at large for their wonderful support throughout the year. We wish the incoming EMC all the success for 2021.

As we come to the end of yet another year, we wish you all a safe and wonderful festive season. May you all have a blessed and joyful 2021.

Paid members will be able to visit our Webpage at www/sanatanqld.org.au for current notices. Emails will be sent as well. If you have changed your email account, please advise us accordingly.



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The management of SSDHAQ sends its heartfelt sympathies and condolences to all members of the community who may have lost loved ones during this crisis. We especially sympathize with those who were unable to partake in funeral services due to the restrictions.

WELCOME

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