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From the President's Desk



Dear Members of KAP and YAC

With the advent of our another AGM, we embark on the year full of activities and promises. Good news is our members are ever increasing so are our YAC members. The creativity and activities of our youngsters are unstoppable. Their adrenaline rush gives us an incessant nudge to accelerate our Panchayat activities. It's no doubt that the Khudabadi Amil Panchayat and YAC committee members have done a remarkable job.

But we are nowhere without the members indulgence, it is your participation that makes all the difference, not to undermine charity. Our Panchayat's strongest foundation has been the philantropist heart that all our Amil brethren carry.

Hope to see you all at the AGM at Sun N Sand in large numbers!!

Warm Regards,
Dr. Indu Shahani

Bhoomi Pooja of Additional Building for Smt. Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College, Ulhasnagar.



Dr. Mansukhani performing Bhoomi Pooja

On 24th January, 2024, Smt. Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College, Ulhasnagar, performed Bhoomi Pooja for construction of its additional building for starting new courses and additional divisions for existing courses in great demand. This building will have all modern facilities for students and faculty.

CHM College is the largest College under University of Mumbai and has ever increasing demand for admission to its various courses. The College receives a huge number of applications every year and can entertain limited number of students as against the allotted strength. Unfortunately, many students are denied admissions.

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Currently, CHM College educates around 15,000 students every year. With modern facilities and introduction of new courses and additional divisions, CHM will be able to provide education to 20,000 plus students every year.



Mrs. Anjula Masukhani and Dr. Kishu H Mansukhani praying in front of Ama Chandibai's photograph



Dr. & Mrs. Mansukhani seeking blessings of Ama Chandibai



Staff members of six colleges of CHM Campus

Bhajan Prabhat at Smt. Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College

On 2nd January, 2024, Smt. Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College, Ulhasnagar, celebrated Foundation Day, which is also Birth Anniversary of our beloved Ama Chandibai, in whose memory this College has been named.

The students of the College sang the soulful bhajans and offered tribute to Ama Chandibai. Ama's grandson Dr. Kishu H. Mansukhani and his wife Anjula Mansukhani were the Chief Guests at this yearly program.

The program was well attended by staff and students of all the six colleges of CHM Campus and other well-wishers.



Invitation poster of Bhajan Prabhat



Dr. Manju Pathak with Dr. Kishu Mansukhani & Mrs. Anjula Mansukhani



Students singing soulful bhajans



L to R: Prin. Avinash Gondal, Prin. Paraag Gide, Prin. Manju Pathak, Dr. K.H. Mansukhani and Prof. Nitin Arekar, Vice Principal of CHM College



Students & Invitees enjoying the Bhajan Prabhat

Young Amil Circle Warms the Community with Clothes Donation Drive at Ulhasnagar's Wall of Happiness

“No one has ever become poor from giving.” — Anne Frank

With this spirit of service etched in their hearts, the Young Amil Circle (YAC) ushered in 2024 with a heartwarming initiative - a clothes donation drive at the Sindhu Youth Circle's "Wall of Happiness" in Ulhasnagar on 14th January 2024. In collaboration with KAP, led by Mr. Ghanshyam Wadhvani, this annual activity stands as a testament to YAC's unwavering commitment to making a difference in the community.

Driven by the understanding that clothes are a basic necessity, the YAC team recognised the transformative power of making them accessible to those in need. Guided by this vision, they established a distribution desk, where dedicated volunteers meticulously sorted through the generous donations received in the past month from across Mumbai, ensuring everyone received clothes that suited their requirements. Their dedication was reflected in the impressive outcome - 38 bags weighing a monumental 350 kgs of clothes were distributed, bringing warmth and dignity to numerous lives.

The success of this event was not solely a YAC effort. Local volunteers played a crucial role, lending their invaluable support and camaraderie. The Chief Executive Trustee, Mr. Dangwani, deserves special mention for his gracious contribution. He not only provided the crucial space for the drive but also humbly guided the volunteers after the event, ensuring a smooth and efficient operation.

KAP members Mr. Ghanshyam Wadhvani, Mrs. Jyoti Mansukhani, Miss. Namrata Advani along with YAC President Mr. Rohit Thadhani were supported by Miss. Namrata Ramchandani, Mr. Harshal Tolani, Miss. Gunjan Motwani, and Miss. Kashish Motwani. Their tireless efforts, combined with the support of Mr. Sunder Dangwani at the Sindhu Youth Circle, made this event a resounding success.

Adding another layer of generosity to the day, Mr. Dangwani requested the volunteers to distribute basic rations like lentils, rice, and other daily essentials to all visitors. This thoughtful gesture further amplified the positive impact of the event, providing not just clothing but also the means to nourish their families.

The Clothes Donation Drive at Ulhasnagar's Wall of Happiness is more than just an event; it is a powerful symbol of community spirit and compassion. It signifies the collective effort of individuals and organisations coming together to create a world where basic needs are met with dignity and respect. As we move forward, let's draw inspiration from YAC's initiative and strive to build a society where the warmth of shared humanity reaches every corner, ensuring that everyone has access to the essentials they need to thrive.

By Namita Makhijani



YAC 2023 Recap: A year filled with new initiatives

The year 2023 has been phenomenal for the Young Amil Circle - from a fresh managing committee coming on board to the launch of several social engagement initiatives. Here's looking back at the year that was.

Kickstarting the year by co-organising the Annual General Meeting (AGM) with KAP at Sun-N-Sand Hotel, YAC went on to have an Ice-Breaker Session at Radio Club in January 2023. It was a memorable evening filled with fun, building connaisance and brainstorming for the events to be undertaken in the year. This was followed by a strategic meet-up at Tea Villa Cafe, Bandra in February, which paved the way for all the undertakings done by YAC in 2023.

The first event on the cards for YAC was organising the Diler Sindhi Global Beauty Pageant in March 2023. It was preceded by a meet at NSCI to discuss the arrangements for the event along with some games and snacks. On the day of the event, the YAC team displayed great dedication and team spirit in handling all the on-ground coordination tasks for which they were well appreciated.



After this cultural extravaganza, YAC took upon themselves to organise an initiative that found its roots in eco-consciousness. In May 2023, by collaborating with the NGO Change is Us, YAC put up a Beach CleanUp Drive. Herein, the participants from both the organising committees were able to collect 600kgs+ of trash, thereby avoiding its entrance into the sea at Girgaon Chowpatty.

Post the success of this social initiative, YAC with KAP, co-organised a Health Check-Up Camp along with the support of various NGOs that work for health & welfare. This camp set up at Navjivan Gurmandir in Mumbai Central was open to one and all. It experienced a footfall of more than 90 people who availed facilities of free eye, BP and sugar checkups.

Having organised momentous events, YAC soon launched its Campus Ambassador Program to fuel their membership drive. This program involved appointing Campus Ambassadors across Mumbai's Sindhi Minority colleges who would further encourage their Amil peers to join YAC. To spread the word further across, YAC managing committee organised a meeting with the Principal, faculty and students of National College, Bandra. This meeting led to the vital decision of the college's Principal, Mrs. Neha Jagtiani, being entrusted with the responsibility of co-convening YAC's Global Networking sub-committee.

Speaking of Global Networking, YAC has also commenced revamping the Amil Sindhis website by uplifting its UI and UX while also automating numerous administrative processes. Simultaneously, YAC has been enhancing their social media presence across Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn.

Coming to the month of October, YAC organised a Health Talk Show wherein Mr. Atul Shah from Ojas Life conveyed the importance of clean and balanced nutrition to everyone present in the audience. Ending the year with another social initiative, YAC commenced the Clothes' Donation Drive to aid the underprivileged and to provide them warmth and comfort. This tale of a series of successful events was brought to life due to the dedicated efforts of YAC Convenor Mr. Devesh Makhijani, President Mr. Rohit Thadhani, Vice-President Mr. Sidharth Makhijani, Hon. Secretary Mr. Raahuul Advani, Jt. Secretary Mr. Mihir Mirchandani and the entire YAC managing committee members. YAC would also like to acknowledge the support and guidance received from the respected KAP members.



Looking forward to a brighter 2024!

-By Namita Makhijani

KAP & YAC embark on a Journey of Digital Transformation

In the ever-evolving digital landscape, a robust online presence is crucial for any community to thrive. Recognizing this need, the KAP & YAC have jointly embarked on an ambitious project to revamp the official website of the Amil Sindhis community. While reinstating our global presence, this endeavour aims to not only enhance the website's visual appeal and user experience but also introduce a suite of digital services that cater to the diverse needs of the community members.

Under the guidance of KAP members Ms. Geeta Kaycee, Mr. Shrikant Shivdasani and Mr. Ramesh Mansukhani, YAC convener Mr. Devesh Makhijani has brought this project to life with active involvement of YAC President Mr. Rohit Thadhani, Vice President Mr. Sidharth Makhijani, Hon. Secretary Mr. Raahuul Advani and Jt. Secretary Mr. Mihir Mirchandani. Additionally, YAC committee members Ms. Namita Makhijani and Mr. Garv Jhangiani have taken upon themselves to curate fresh content for the new website and handle the management of the same, respectively. KAP Office administrator Ms. Namrata Advani is also actively involved in assisting in this project.

Prioritising a complete overhaul of the website's user interface (UI), this project aims to ensure a more visually appealing and engaging experience. This includes incorporating a contemporary design language, employing user-friendly navigation elements, and adopting responsive design principles to optimise the website for various screen sizes.

The user experience (UX) will also undergo a significant transformation. The web development team is working on streamlining the website's functionality and making it easier for visitors to find the information they seek. This includes simplifying navigation menus, implementing intuitive search features, and providing clear calls-to-action.

Currently, the membership process for the Amil Sindhis community involves manual submission of forms and physical interactions with community representatives. This process can be cumbersome and time-consuming, especially for members residing outside of India. To address this issue, the YAC is introducing a fully digitised membership application process.

The new online membership portal will allow prospective members to submit their details, upload necessary documents, and pay membership fees seamlessly. This streamlined process will not only enhance convenience but also reduce paperwork and the resultant carbon footprints.

Among the other services that the revamped website looks forward to offer, one of the most-sought after has been that of Matrimony. Marriage is a crucial decision in anyone's life, and the YAC recognizes the need for a coherent platform to connect potential matches within the community. The revamped website will feature a comprehensive matrimony section, enabling Amil youth to create a profile for themselves and listing all their preferences in a comprehensive manner in order to enable our Matrimony team to play the perfect cupid and help find the right match for them.

The revamped website will serve as a centralised hub for the global Amil diaspora to stay updated about and connected with their community. The team is incorporating various features to foster a sense of belonging and community engagement. A dedicated events calendar will keep members informed about upcoming gatherings, conferences, and cultural celebrations. It will also feature a page filled with insights on the history of our rich cultural heritage.

This website revamp project is a testament to the commitment of KAP & YAC to preserve and promote the rich heritage of the Amil Sindhis community. By digitising essential services, enhancing user experience, and fostering global connections, the revamped website will serve as a valuable resource for Amil Sindhis worldwide. This dedication to digital transformation will undoubtedly strengthen the community's bonds and ensure its continued growth and prosperity. While the new website would be up and running in a matter of time, Amil Sindhis across the globe can follow us on our social media handles to stay updated and connected!

Instagram: @amilsindhisoftheworld

LinkedIn: The Khudabadi Amil Panchayat of Bombay

Facebook: The Young Amil Circle

PRIDE OF OUR COMMUNITY & OUR NATION

The Khudabadi Amil Panchayat of Bombay and its members extend hearty congratulations to the meritorious students for their excellent performance in the Examinations held during the Academic year 2022-2023.



Jagtiani Shivina
MBA - 03.70 / 04.00
Daughter of
Prakash & Jyoti



Jhangiani Lavina
MA - 03.58 / 04.00
Daughter of
Kamhall & Rita



Advani Drshika
BMS - 10.00 / 10.00
Daughter of
Rajesh & Poonam



Thadani Akansha
BMS - 09.79 / 10
Daughter of
Anil & Nishi



Gidwani Siddhi
Bcom - 09.57 / 10
Daughter of
Sachin & Kashish



Jhangiani Garv
BE Comp Engg.
09.07 / 10
Son of Rajesh & Heena



Vaswani Bhavesh
BBA - 08.59 / 10
Son of
Sunil & Vinita



Advani Naomi
B. Arch - 08.49 / 10
Daughter of
Ranjitkumar & Simran



Wadhvani Neelesh
B. E. Comp Engg.
08.06 / 10
Son of Prakash & Dr. Syna



Jagtiani Vinita
B.B.A. LLB -
03.79 / 04.00
Daughter of
Prakash & Jyoti



Malkani Kanika
BSC - Data Sci.
03.76 / 04.00
Daughter of
Prakash & Devika



Vaswani Aditya
12th CBSE
93.40%
Son of
Manoj & Riya



Vaswani Poornima
12th HSC 88.83%
Daughter of
Vijaykumar & Manisha



Vaswani Kartik
12th HSC 83.17%
Son of
Vijaykumar & Manisha



Vaswani Kimaya
10th ICSE, 97.80%
Daughter of
Vijay & Pooja



Makhijani Namita
French, 77.00%
Daughter of
Komal

MATRIMONIAL

A well settled Hyderabad Amil Girl seeks alliance

Date of Birth : 21/12/1995

Time of Birth : 2.54 pm Mumbai

Height : 5'4"

Weight : 75 kgs

Qualification: BMS (Jai Hind College), MBA (Net), PG
Diploma in Digital Marketing from MICA

Occupation: Self Employed

Income : Rs 1 Lakh p.m.

Spouse Requirement : The boy should be 28 to 32 years
of age, should be well educated, born and brought up in
Mumbai with good family and an extrovert.

A well settled Hyderabad Amil Boy seeks alliance

Date of Birth : 27/9/1994

Time of Birth: 9.10 Mumbai

Height : 5'7"

Weight : 60 kgs Slim

Qualification: Bachelors in Computer Engineering

Occupation: Senior Software Engineer

Income: 15 lks p.a.

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can be non veg, height 5'5", weight upto 65 kgs, graduate +
and she should be fair in complexion.

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Moti Ramchandani

With a heavy heart we are informing you about the sad demise of Our Beloved Father who left for his heavenly abode on 14/01/2024.

Due to PANCHKKI Funeral Ceremony will be held on 18th January, 2024 at 9:30am from his residence.

A/301, Shiv Shakti Complex, Opp. Silver Anklet, Off Yari Road, Versova, Andheri West, Mumbai-400061.

*In loving memory of
Deepa Kamal Wadhvani
Dec 6, 1949 - Jan 27, 2024
Beloved Wife and Mother.*

*In grief Kamal, Akash & Deepa Wadhvani
Bhavnani - Sujan - Ramchandani*

CHAMPA GAGUMAL SHAHANI
(1933 - 2023)
Peacefully Passed Away At Home
On 22nd December, 2023.
Lives In, In The Hearts of Nieces
Dr Nina - Arun Lakhani,
Poonam (Anita) - Vinoo Hingorani
Manju (Sunita) - Ghanshyam Wadhvani
Their Daughters and Son
Sujata - Nitin Mirchandani, Ritu & Dina Hingorani,
Neha - Hiten Advani,
Manish - Aarti Wadhvani
Grand Children
Siddharth Mirchandani
And Saisha Advani

Tribute To Amils
Paying homage to the departed souls

Shri. Vishal M Malani	30.11.2023	Shri. Prem G Thadani	13.01.2024
Smt. Kavita A Shahani	19.12.2023	Shri. Moti Ramchandani	14.01.2024
Smt. Maya Hiranandani	21.12.2023	Shri. Kumar S Ramchandani	20.01.2024
Smt. Jyoti N Lalwani	23.12.2023	Smt. Poonam C Malani	27.01.2024
Smt. Poonam Mansukhani	25.12.2023	Smt. Deepa K Wadhvani	29.01.2024
Shri. Mohan G Mansukhani	03.01.2024	Shri. Heman M Tolani	01.02.2024
Shri. Shyam V Bhavnani	07.01.2024	Smt. Duru Gidwani	03.02.2024



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توهانڪي بدلي ۾ ڪجهه به نٿو ڏيئي سگهي.
-گرڊيو ساڌو واسواڻي

سنڌي سمپادڪ: شريمتي پونر چندرو ملاڻي

KAVITA'S KITCHEN

SEYAL DABROTI

This is an heirloom Sindhi recipe made out of left over bread. It is unique in substance, aroma as well as in taste. The word Seyal means finely chopped ingredients, cooked on a slow flame and simmered till the water content evaporates. Thus giving this dish a spongy and lumpy texture with an interesting succulent and moist character

INGREDIENTS:

- 6 local bread loaves (pav), torn into halves.
- 4 onions finely sliced
- 250 gms tomatoes finely sliced
- 1 1/2 cup chopped coriander
- 1 tsp ginger, garlic green chilly paste 1 tsp turmeric
- 1 tsp Kashmiri red chilli powder
- 1 tsp coriander powder
- 1 tsp cummin powder
- Salt to taste.
- 3 tbsp oil.

METHOD:

- Fry the onions in oil to a pale brown colour.
- Add the ginger garlic chilly paste. Stir a bit.
- Add tomatoes, dry spices and salt.
- Continue to stir until mixed and cooked well.
- Then add the chopped coriander and about 200 ml of water.
- Let this gravy begin to boil.
- Now it's time to add the bread pieces one at a time.
- The bread needs to soak up the gravy.
- Switch off the flame.
- Serve on a platter.
- Garnish with crunchy yellow sev and some finely chopped coriander.
- You can use the same recipe to substitute bread with left over chapatis. When you use chapatis, it's called ' **SEYAL MAANI** '... Maani is the Sindhi word for chapati.

