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# *Waves of Thoughts*

*A Word*

Last year during 2024, all relatives together observed my 99th birthday with all excitement. More than me, they were all very eager. You are stepping into hundred next year, we will arrange in a grand scale, do not worry they said. I thought why I must worry, then one by one thought began in my mind. Things that happened, where all I travelled, incidents that occurred, Old memories flashed. My close friend Anaji said, do not give up whatever you will, whatever you scribble, it will have its own speciality, the result Waves of Thoughts.

For a man, any thought comes into mind means, it is like a germ entering into his head. Till it reaches its height, it will be grilling throughout. That was my state. When I joined the Service in the Coffee Board, that is in 1945, there were not many changes. That too before Independence. After Independence also, we were quite happy for a few years. Even among the political leaders, enthusiasm brings into light to spread their individual influence on common people. Any change is for our own good, we thought.

After that, what is happening you are witnessing. Thinking about that I gave a push to my mind. Food and sleep did not prevent me. Mere thinking and thinking. Not one or two, in every field, change has occurred in a span of hundred years. If I jot down what I felt, one day or other, it may be helpful to anyone to expand further. With that in mind, I am placing before you this small contribution.

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May everyone enjoy health, long life, and happiness

With my warm greetings, I conclude here.

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He has written over 12 books and all have been published by us. We on this day pray for his good health and long life.

We pray for his blessings to be showered on family members to follow his goals and ideals for which he lived.

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# *Waves of Thoughts*

## 1. THEN TIME – THIS TIME - WHICH IS GOOD TIME?

Right from the beginning of my birth, in a span of hundred years, what are all the changes that have taken place. Changes are occurring in every field. Medical field, Agriculture, Science, Transportation, Kitchen equipment, Dresses, ways of doing. Where it is, where it is not.

About seventy years back, my five-year old daughter had jaundice. Doctors decided that it was not a curable disease. Then, what we see now, medical technology had not advanced. They also told us that in fifteen days her life will end. Even when I knew this, I could not tell anybody in the house. I was in Chikmagalur (Karnataka) then. In Hassan thirty-six miles away, may get the required medicine, they said. A ray of hope may be helpful. Even though I got the medicine we could not save her. As they had told she died within fifteen days. Now you see, in every town there will be a medical shop. It seems there are cameras to detect diseases without surgery.

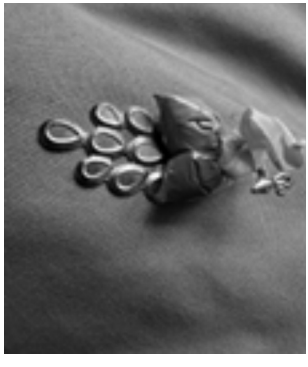
A few months back I fell down six steps. There was a wound on the head with blood. When I called someone who was there in the house by chance she came and wiped the blood and put on a band aid. I was admitted to the hospital.

After all the tests were done, it was known that one of the aorta valves was fully damaged and they decided to replace it with a new one. As seen in earlier times, they did not make any operation. They inserted a tube up to the chest and changed. I was back home the very next day. I had heard of Oxygen, MRI names only, but I did not know what it is. This was the first time I was admitted to the hospital. Then onwards, Mr. Allen, Physiotherapist was coming to give me training to walk with walker.

Children's dresses in plenty. When my mother was alive, to get a skirt for my sister, as soon as my father returned from school, she sent him to the bazar. That was a Lambani type cloth: Every other child had it. Since she was asking with so much passion he went to bazar and got the skirt stitched and brought. Even then she did not offer food to him. She wore the skirt to my sister and put her on her arm and left to show her to our neighbors! Now if you go to any shop, you can see heaps of children's dresses. CHANGE!

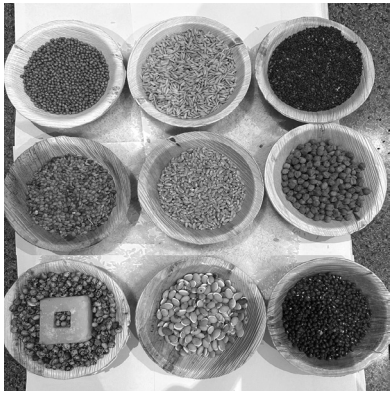
## 2. SYSTEM OF OFFERING KUMKUM

As I saw, during the thread ceremony, marriage etc. they were offering the turmeric powder to women handful. They put it on the sari edge and went home. Later it was just





limited to offer it by holding the Kumkum cup in front of the women. Further, while giving thamboola in a plastic bag an apple or orange and a plastic packet. In that a pinch of turmeric powder. Now you see, it is a wonderful change! If it continues like this, they may just write on a colored paper KUNKUM and TURMERIC POWDER!



For Navagraha pooja, they filled nine types of dals.in cups made of dry banana leaf. Each item was about half or three-fourths of a pave. Now they put in plastic bag all the items, each one will be a spoonful! A CHANGE!

## 3. NO OIL, NO WICK – PRESS THE BUTTON, GET LAMP

In front of God, for the lamp not even oil and wick. See the electric lamp, how beautiful it is, no nuisance of oil and wick, a lady said. “It is nothing, in some of the houses, they do not place fruits and coconut before the God. Plastic coconut half the size and banana. It will not get rotten for five to six years. It beats the real coconut I said. A CHANGE!



Change in food items also. Thambittu, Chigali, Thalipittu if I say, is it the name of an animal or a city if they ask, no wonder. If I say Pizza, we know it very well they say!

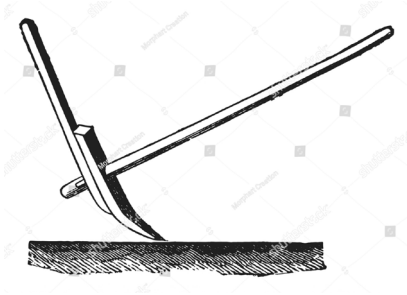
My marriage was done in 1944. Then there was no photography. Now-a-days, during Thread ceremony, marriage it is quite common to take photographs. That too, the photos of bride and bridegroom and taken in different poses. After so many days of the function, for the relatives who come to the house, to show them the photographs album is a great hobby. It is all right. One more wonderful thing is, in one of the families the householder died. His relatives while putting the rice to the mouth of the dead body, told the Purohith, please wait, they take photos, then recite the mantras and they poured the rice slowly to make it easy to take photos. What type of CHANGE!

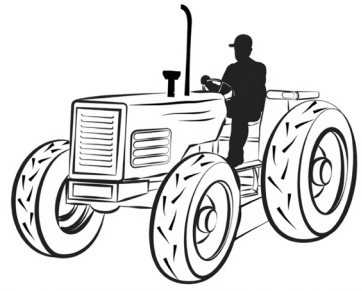
## 4. THEN PLOUGH – NOW TRACTOR

In our village Bukkambudhi, generally what were used in agricultural field are Plough, Spade, Pickaxe, Sickle. A few big landlords were having tractors. Some coffee planters had reared elephants to transport wooden logs up and down.

As I have seen in America, they use helicopters for spilling pesticides all over the field. The agricultural field also will be thousands of acres. In the State of Wyoming for watering the field, they have assembled huge pipes.

In our village to fill ragi and paddy, it is used to erect Kanaja made of split bamboo. Here they have erected huge iron pipes of about thirty feet. They fill the wheat through helicopter.





Wheat storage pipes used in America

During 1932-33 purchased in sandy fifteen seers of rice for one rupee, sixteen coconuts for a rupee. If I tell them this, that is all built story they said. They have no patience to hear even. When I said that I myself had been to the sandy and bought, they did not believe me and pushed me away! See these people.

Even for rice they put it in bag with zip in shops. There is no weighing machine. All groceries are in plastic bags. No question of bargaining. Whatever the cost is indicated on that we must pay and coolly come back. This is the change in trade.





## 5. I AM OF TRADEL PERIOD

Changes that have taken place in Printing Press are really worthwhile. In earlier times, the workers were assembling small steel nails with letters for each word and joining together with a thread and attaching them to the big plate. Then a wet paper was put on it and pressed. In that if any mistakes were

there they were corrected and fixed to the printing machine. They were printing whatever copies required. I also worked in a Printing Press for a few months.

Now there is no such thing. If the matter is typed on computer, it is finished. All will be done automatically till the final book is done. As I see it, this is a great advanced technology.

Nothing to say in the science field. We are seeing changes every day. We can visualize all things through the phone.

I saw an e-mail. If you recite a Mantra, you can alleviate heart disease! We have heard in purana that since Rishi gave a mango fruit, she had a child. They were telling the women who had no children, if worship the pine tree for forty-eight days, they get children. One woman did like that and touched her womb the next day! If that could happen so, can we conclude that the medical field is a waste?

Can mango fruit fall if the mantras are recited, is a proverb.

## 6. FROM INK POT TO DOT PEN

The Age of using Slate, Balapa (made of white clay) and ink is over long back. The village accountants were using black and red pills for making ink. A few days then, the pens filled with ink came into use. Now that also does not prevail. Only pencil, paper and dot pen. We were saying multiplication from one to twenty-five by bye-heart. If we ask to add sixty and forty, he immediately uses calculator and express one hundred. The parents also praised it, saying that their son is quite brilliant! At our times, in Middle Schools, they were dictating a few paras for forty-five minutes, to see that our handwriting must be good. Now the system has stopped. However the boy is effective, he himself cannot understand his own handwriting.

A teacher giving a dictation to students, after they wrote, she was writing her remarks on each paper and gave it back. One student could not understand what she had written. When he showed it to her, she also thought for half an hour and then told him that it is 'write legibly'!

If the students think that it would be sufficient to secure thirty-five out of hundreds, then if he gets a job in the Education Department, what would be the fate of a student to get education from such a teacher!

## 7. THEN COOKING PLACE – NOW THE KITCHEN




The changes that have taken place in kitchen is impossible to detail. Varieties of Mixy, Equipment to make chapatis, to fry Bonda, Cookers. Some items are readily available. Why I saw a picture. Nowadays it is rear to use ragi. When such is the case, an equipment to make ragi bowl. There are two big cups. In one ragi flour, in another enough water, add a spoon of oil and salt. If you switch on, within five minutes, flour gets baked and ragi bowls of a size of lemon fru by one!

Two days back our neighbor lady was telling her husband. See, that corner house Rukmini Bayi has brought a Mixy. Chutney enough for ten to fifteen people can be done in three minutes. She pressurized him and got it the same day.

## 8. DRAMAS AT OUR TIME

In the stage of dramas also several changes have been made. Earlier days, they were using Petromax lamps while staging dramas. Now to fix varieties of colored electric lamps there are so many companies.

Then in the drama company of the famous dramatist Varadachar, a few men were allotted to stage female role. Now a days also, in the drama staging only men were taking the role of female. In the recent times, women are coming forward to the female role. Naturally it has given a good shape.

## 9. EQUIPMENT FOR RANGAVALLI

How nicely they were writing Ranga Vali in front of the house when God procession came. Now there is no necessity for writing by hand. For that also there is equipment. In that fill Ranga Vali place, it in front of the house and switch on, varieties of figures!

What else we want, what else we do not. The only trouble we have now is, the rice bowl put in our mouth we ourselves must bite and swallow! By the time of great grandchildren, they may invent equipment for that also!






## 10. TRANSPORTATION

In earlier times, village far off ten to twelve miles away, we used to go on foot. After the emergence of bus travel, even for two miles we waited for the bus for half an hour. Do not ask about the transportation of car, train and air travel, to go from country to country is just like going from kitchen to bathroom.

One of my friends came to our office. I was about to leave for home. It was quite dark since winter commenced. He said he will drop me at my house. Both of us came out. He was by my side only. But his car was coming back from the parking lot! I was wondering if something had happened. Then I came to know that he has remote control. The price of the car is $52,000!

The result of all these transformations, we lose our brain power. The exercise we get naturally will be lost. Even for ordinary upset of health, we surrender to doctors.



I am not saying that transformation is not necessary. Because we are not travelling in bullock cart. But it would be better if the changes were in the limit, in my opinion. I am not a person to pressurize others to accept my opinion.

The change that has taken place in our time itself is beyond the limit. How it would be in our grandchildren and great grandchildren time is difficult to imagine even.

## 11. OFFICE PROCEDURE

Changes are seen in Office procedure also. I have seen the difference between my 39 years in the Coffee Board service and the 28 years of service in America. Then there were no computers. When I retired from the Coffee Board there were

hardly two or three computers. I had to do all the accounting manually. If something goes wrong, I have to spend hours doing it wrong. Since I knew typing, within a week I could adjust to the type of office work. Our Officer Mr. Nagananda also taught me with all his patience.

Though so many changes are seen in every field, is it possible to change human beings in this world where cruelty, violence, wickedness, murder and bloodshed is on top? Though we have advanced so much, we are seeing lot of killing, arrogance, looting with higher percentage. Dharma Samsthapanarthaya, Sambhavami Yuge yuge, the Sanskrit sloka we have read in the book, heard in Discourse, seen through T.V. Maybe it may not be possible even for the God to repair. That is why He has not turned this side!

## 12. CHARACTERS GOOD AND BAD, ARE THEY BY BIRTH?

Before going to bed, if we just start thinking it is enough when we get sleep, we will be sailing in the dream world, without spending money. I saw several scenes, saw varieties of peculiar things, and went to Moon also. Why roamed in the whole world! came across people with different nature.

They say whatever see in the dream will vanish by the time we get up. But the people I have been seeing around when I saw them in my dream also, hundred percent comparison was there. There is no jet flight even compared to dream speed! Suppose I can think about it after I wake up in the morning, as they say, it is possible to forget also. I get up two or three times during the night due to urination. So, I will be awake. When I got up once, though I could not open my eyes, I wrote a few points and slept. I remember very well; I saw a few people in the real world also. So, I cannot just push it away as dream.

Good characters and bad characters might have come by birth or acquired through the surrounding environment. If it is by birth, even the Creator Brahma cannot set it right, they say. If it has come through bad acquaintances, there is a way to change. But they must decide themselves.

One Doctor told a person, "You completed 84, 85, 86. What is special about it. Everyone gets aged. For all ages ones. Nobody will give a Certificate or gold medal. "That person even after being told by the doctor, is still living, no Certificate, no gold medal. Perhaps that doctor had a divine vision earlier. That fool even then had an ambition in his mind, if he lived for another four or five years, if not the medal a certificate is enough. But who knows what will happen. By the time of death if he gets a certificate what is the use? Whatever will happen he gave it in writing to donate his body after death, to a Medical School. My boyhood friend told me this story saying that person is still living!

As I know, one friend of mine, C. Dinakar Rao, has known me for the past seventy years. He retired from Texas University as Professor. He read my four or five books and reviewed. He also had given in writing to donate his body after death to a Medical College. His wife Jyotsna, after her husband died, had sent his photo. On that day, his children and grandchildren were present.

One more my friend Subbalakshmi her name. She is residing in Kolar, a place in Karnataka. Her brother H.K. Raghavendra has been publishing a newspaper titled Kolar Patrike. In the weekly paper, articles of Subbalakshmi will appear. Her elder sister Prema who retired as Kannada teacher, before her death, had given in writing, to donate her body.

## 13. WILL TO DONATE BODY AFTER DEATH

After hearing all this, I also thought. Who knows what will happen. I have been running 99 years. Immediately I gave in writing to donate my body after death instead of burning, to a Medical College. Even after death, if the organs of my body could help any other patient, my life will be elevated.

In the next building to our office where I am working, there is the Postal Department. I will be going to that office so many times in the last twenty years. So, all the workers there know me. If I do not go for four or five days, they enquire about the person who goes in my place about my health. One among them by name Avani is a Gujarati. When I went one day, she got up from the chair, did namaskar and said that it was her Birthday, you are like my father please bless me!

## 14. PUMPKIN IN THAVAREKERE

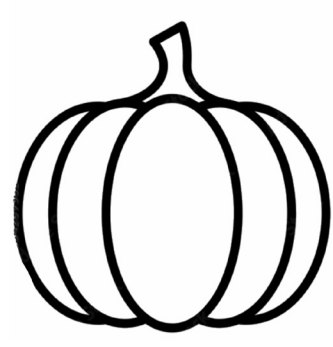
Thavarekere is three miles away from Bukkambudhi. There only is my brother's father-in-law's house. Also the house of my brother's son's father-in-law. Shankaraiah was the house holder. His elder daughter is my Sister-in-law. My father (Venkataramana Bhagavatar) was visiting at least once a year.

In front of the old house of Shankaaraiah is a big corridor in one part of that they were tying two or three cows. The rest of that was used to sleep if any outsider comes. To hang coats and shirts, they had a wooden coat hanger tied to the wall, but nobody was using it.

My father went once to Thavarekere, his bag (bag means there were two dhotis, one shirt, two small dhotis for bathing, and a small box with Vibhuti) while putting on the hanger, a big pumpkin was sitting on it! It was a surprise because they had kept the pumpkin. When enquired about the children

of Shankaraiah, they said that nobody knows. No one had seen that pumpkin.

Behind the wall where the hanger was tied, a pumpkin creeper had entered the wall, a small one was sitting there. In the course of time, it had grown bigger. But no one in the house had seen such a big pumpkin is a surprising one!



Pumpkin in Thavarekere

## 15. PRANESH PRINTING PRESS - PPP

In Chikmagalur, as I had seen, there were four to six Printing Press. Manjunatha Power Press, Malenadu Printing Press, Kannikaparameshwari Press, Durga Press and Pranesh Printing Press. They were calling Pranesh Printing Press PPP. There were no experienced workers there. At that time, they were assembling small steel letters and giving them up for printing. There were seven to eight mistakes in the marriage invitations printed in that Press. Once I had corrected the mistakes and sent it back to them with a note to wake up their workers to be careful

The owners of Manjunatha Power Press, Gundu Rao and Nanjundaiah both of them werej known to me very well. There was always a visit to the Press when I returned from the Coffee Board office, they gave four to six pages printed there to me, to go through once. They had that much confidence in me.

One of my friends is named Srinivasa Shetti. His marriage was fixed. He got the marriage invitation printed in PPP. When I was in the Manjunatha Press, he came there to show it to me. I asked him, knowing well why he got it printed there. The owner of that Press is offering his daughter to him in

marriage. So, he was compelled to go there. He said that he sat near the worker and got all mistakes corrected. Within a minute after he showed me the invitation, I found a mistake. When I pointed, he became depressed. Then I consoled him, do not worry, nobody will observe, they look for the names of boy and girl, where the marriage is, date, only that much. I took him for coffee and sent him.

## 16. LAUGH AT EACH TOPIC

Suddenly came Shivaramu to his friend Ramaswamy's house. Ramaswamy is a Sanskrit Professor in college. Both of them have been friends for many years.

Panditji, what do they say for wife in Sanskrit. He laughed, not only the Sanskrit Shivaramu, in any language should not say thing for wife, be careful, and send him back!

Generally, children will not address Father, Daddy, Appaji, Anna, Bava, Bavayya.

But for Mother, they call Amma, Maa. In one of the houses, she was called Ammaji.

For elder brother or sister, they call Anna, Akka.

For younger brother and sister, they call each other by their names.

Pitaji, Pitashri, Mathe, Mataji all these are Pouranic languages. When I went to the home of one of my friends, he called his mother Mathe. No one will address Mother like that. With great difficulty I controlled my laughing!

## 17. WRONG UNDERSTANDING

Venkaatasubbu is a very mild person. Talk just about what is necessary. His wife is quite the opposite. Always thinking about herself. Seeing this for a long time, he told

his wife, at least from now onwards, give up telling me, mine, and learn for both of us. What are you searching for.

She said, for both of us, searching for Nighty!

## 18. IS THERE A BABY SWEATER?

The word 'Baby' is used differently by each one. It is common to call children Baby. Some others, though the name is different, call Baby. Why they call it that, perhaps the calling one does not know, or the person called also does not know.

When I was working in the Coffee Board Office, one of our colleagues by name was Baby Purnima. Everyone was calling her Baby. She was a bit stout. For Coffee Board employees, one Cooperative Society was established. There, the daily requirements such as soap, brush, a few things, sweater, and mosquito curtains were being sold. The cost of that we could pay in instalments. Everyone was taking that facility.

Once they had brought varieties of sweaters. One of our friends came and asked whether they had baby size sweater. I was standing next to him. Yes, there is. It is better you bring her. I saw her a few minutes back on the second floor. Knowing that she is Baby Purnima, he said not she, children size! Everyone started laughing. He was blinking.

When I say stout lady, I remember another peculiar incident. She was very stout. Poor fellow he was thin. Not only that, since he had some neck problems, he was not able to sleep on the cot Near to the cot, spreading a carpet, keeping a pillow, was sleeping. One day when she was sleeping, she fell on him. She was not only stout, was weighty also. A bone inside the stomach broke and he had to be admitted into hospital! Now he is ok. I met him again.

## 19. MEANING OF WORD DIFFERS FROM PLACE TO PLACE

Srikanta and I have been friends for the past fifty years. Something will be in mind if we do not meet each other at least once a week. In his house he, his wife Sharadamma, and two children. Children are studying in higher education. For Srikanta, relatives are too many. The guests were there quite often.

It seems that one guest came from Mangalore. To tell that to me he came running to me the very next day. While I was thinking why he was breathing like that, he started laughing. My friend, tell me what it is, then both of us can laugh. After a few minutes he explained.

"Immediately after the guest from Mangalore came, I told him to have lunch. He said 'Ayithu' means in their language, it is ok. In our language, it is over. I told my wife from there itself lunch is over for him. When I said alright, have some tiffin at least, then also he said 'Ayithu'. I told my wife, tiffin also over for him. He thought something had gone wrong. He asked for water to drink. I gave him water. He drank and slept. Next morning when I kept the coffee cup, he did not say anything and took coffee and left!

## 20. WHAT IS LEARNT IS ONLY THIS MUCH, TO BE LEARNT IS THAT MUCH

Hari Sarvottamadasa is a great scholar. With the knowledge he has acquired, nobody can beat him. In that town, everyone was talking about him. This became a stumbling block for his ego. Age had crossed hundreds of years. He thought that he had learnt everything and there was nothing to be learnt. He was almost dying time. Something was troubling in his

mind and thought there were a few things left yet to learn. Could not think any more, he prayed God.

Since he prayed, God had to come. When He knew the reason, he gave him life for another hundred years. This went on for four hundred years. The scholar was boasting to think that he had learnt everything. God appeared by that time. The scholar detailed his huge knowledge acquired by then. Before he finished talking, a bird sitting on the tree flew and drinking a little water in the ocean, flew back.

God said that the knowledge he had acquired is just equal to the water which the bird drank. See the huge ocean which you have to acquire still and disappeared! The scholar then realized that how many more lives he would require to earn that much of knowledge and died!

## 21. TO LEAD A LIFE ONE KNOWLEDGE IS ENOUGH

In a village a boatman was living. He had no children. Thinking that all the children in the village were his and spending a portion of his income on them. A contented life. The wife was also of the same type. So, they had no problem.

One day when he was waiting for the travelers, three Pandits came and told him that they had to go to the other shore. The boatman said please sit down and moved the boat. After traveling a little far off, the boat had come to the middle of the river.

One Pandit asked the boatman whether he knew grammar. He said no. Another Pandit asked him whether he knew Economics. For that also he said no. The third Pandit asked him, at least, whether he knew about Political Science. He said how he could know all that. He replied that except for boating, he did not know anything.



By that time a huge storm emerged, and the boat was about to sink. The boatman enquired them whether they knew swimming. They said no. The wind is too much; the boat may sink. Within no time he said, the boat sank, along with Pandits. The boatman swam and reached the shore!

## 22. HUNDRED OUT OF HUNDRED MARKS

People were talking. The neighboring house Sonabayi was screaming. Rukminiyamma, Rukminiyamma, did you hear. The son of Savitramma, Satyaraj secured hundred out of hundred marks. If he secures next year also, they would offer a gold medal! See my son Moran.

Do not tell like that Sonabayi. Everyone knows how your son works. That idiot Satyaraj does not know anything except reading. His father Ramachar came to our house one day.

His dhoti was torn. My husband asked him, he said, let it go, who must see me, let him flourish well is my ambition. His pension amount he will give it to him for education.

By that time, Kamalamma came. See, by chance, had been to Savitramma's house. Poor lady with fever was not able to get up from bed. Suddenly her son came and told her, get up and get me a cup of coffee, he shouted. He saw her sarcastically and went and ordered coffee online and got it to his room. What is the use of such type of children even if they get hundreds of marks. How many marks could be given to a mother who delivers a child and prepares food from time to time and brings him up, think over and tell.

## 23. TRICK OF EXPRESSION

When I was working in the Coffee Board Office, we four of the employees were in the same department, K. V. Subba Rao, M. T. Doreswamy, C. Keshavamurthy and I were talking together. Another colleague was sitting at the next table.

He asked what is to be written for expressing LOSS whether LOSE or LOOSE. I told him to write LOSE. Again, he said if he writes LOOSE would it be wrong. All of them looked at him glaringly.

I told him calmly; it cannot be wrong. Then the others looked at me. I, touching my head, told him if this is a bit LOOSE, he can write that LOOSE. Then Subba Rao said, see 'That is BVK!

## 24. BLOWING FOR CYCLE TIRE

During 1945-46 to go to the office we were using bicycle. While going back to get blow to the cycle tire there was a boy. His name was Gopala. All of us gave him one anna each. While he was blowing the pump was about three feet length.



When he was working it was as if he was dancing! Ten to twelve of us were waiting.

Channayya, our office driver came there. Seeing Gopala blowing, he said that he could not blow like that. I told him it was not so difficult, while no others were in his house, daily for half an hour, practicing dancing like that, then you will see, if the pump is fixed to his hand, automatically the tire would be filled with air. Including Gopala everyone started laughing!

Subba Rao said, see what you have done, Gopala cannot work for another half hour!

## 25. NAVARATRI FESTIVAL IN AMERICA

We were invited from two or three houses on account of Navaratri festival. A group of people came to perform pooja and bhajan and sing songs. They were doing bhajan for nearly three hours repeating the same song. Though we went one



hour later than what the householders had asked us, to spend another two hours was troublesome. The householders were going here and there enquiring about the coming invites. Some people will arrange dolls.

It is learnt that there are some groups to perform bhajans. I had not heard that there are some to cry! what type of practice is not known.

## 26. TEMPLES IN AMERICA

For temples in America, without our own transportation we cannot go. Temples are constructed at a long distance. Parking vehicles require a huge amount of space. We walked temples by walking only four to five miles.

In American temples, food will be quite nice. But we must pay! Prasadam of course they give free. In Ganesha and Balaji temples, Dosa, Idly and Vada will be very tasty. Come on, let us go; this type of talk I have heard from so many. Going to the temple is a pleasure trip.

Two days back my boyhood friend came to my house. He said, in Ganesha and Balaji temples, Laddu, Sonpappadi and Karasev will be tasty. We can get them to our house by ordering online.

To see God, we must go to the temple only throughout our life means, how is it possible. God is in everyone, this saying we have heard in Puranic Discourse. If it is so, it should be possible to visualize that divinity in others also.

## 27. POWER OF MAHARSHI

God has run away; the news spread throughout the town. This type of news means, who else there could be. To do such bad things, must be the only sons of Ramabayi. Hearing such news, she must die only. Such was her mind. While walking

on the road, everyone was teasing her. She cried throughout the night.

Next morning, she decided to find a solution somehow was her firm mind. But to implement it, what is the way? Some well-wishers who knew her mind came to Ramabayi's house and consoled her. Ramabayi, do not worry, God will definitely help, we believe. You go and meet Shivabalayogi Swamiji.

Ramabayi also learnt that it was a correct suggestion. Next morning, only getting up early, she went to meet Shivabalayogi. The Maharshi, who knew her visit, heard everything from her with compassion and told her not to worry and he would enquire about her sons next day.

Next day he called both the sons together. Children, why were you afraid. God has not run away. He is so compassionate. He is within everybody. He punishes only the wicked ones. You walk on the right path. You will not face any trouble. He advised them and sent them back. Ramabayi got life.

It is not possible to change anything suddenly. The magician puts the mango seed into the ground. Within five minutes it grows, and you see the fruit but is all temporary. Ramabayi was observing some development in her sons. When she saw that, she met the Maharshi and got His blessings.

## 28. HOW MUST THE ARTICLE BE?

A young boy who had just entered the Literary world, writing an article went to meet an elderly Writer to show his article. The Writer went through the article and sent him back, saying that article must always be educative. The boy was depressed. He did not even suggest anything. The boy thought for a while and wrote another article and showed him. Then also he said the same thing. The boy wondered about and thought what could be in his mind. The article must

be educative; it became a subject for days together. Let me see this time what he would say and start writing an article.

In the country there was a king. King means who rules the country. In earlier days they called him Palegar. Raja's wife was Rani. For others' wives, they call them as wife, patni or dharmapatni. Only for Raja's wife must we address Rani or Maharani.

One day Maharani went to the river to bathe. For flowing water they call river, for collected water, as pond or tank. Rani took out the jewels and kept them there and went to bathe. Jewels are prepared out of silver and gold.

This I remember to have read a story "Story of Crow killing the serpent". Before continuing further, to show the Writer was the ambition for that young writer. When he went to his house, it was learnt that he had left the town without telling anybody!

## 29. STORY OF VARAMAHALAKSHMI VRATA

The Chitragupta one day told Brahma Deva. The married women if they perform Varamahalakshmi Vrata, they will have the same husband for the next seven generations. We must stop this system. Brahma Deva asked the reason.

Chitragupta said it has become a problem to implement it, woman wants the same husband, and man wants different wife in next generations. It has not been possible to console both. Brahma Deva said, it is not possible to stop. This system has come for years.

Just then the Narada Maharshi came and suggested that there is one by name Chanakya in the world. If you ask him, you may get a good suggestion. As advised, Chitragupta met Chanakya. He solved the problem within a minute. 'You tell those women that if they want the same husband in the

next generations also, they will get the same Mother-in-law in the next generations.

All the women screamed No never. The problem was solved.

One husband asked his wife, why you expect me to be your husband for the next seven generations in spite of giving you so much trouble. His devoted wife replied all troubles of next generations you have given in this generation only so no trouble for the next generations.

## 30. ALLADIN'S WONDERFUL LAMP

Narayana came running to the house. The wife Pankajakshi who was standing at the door asked him what the matter was. He said, go inside, tell you slowly. Today I got an Alladin's Wonderful Lamp. Really it is pleasing one and asked him what he asked the Lamp.

To increase your brain power by ten times. Oh, Honey did he say yes. He laughed loudly and said, to multiply Zero by any number it will be Zero only!

## 31. BRILLIANT BOY

The teacher of Ramakrishna sent a chit to his mother. Your son is really brilliant. Smart. But he spends most of his time thinking about girls.

Next day, Ramakrishna's mother wrote back as her reply, to set it right if you find any solution, please let me know. I am facing the same problem about his father!

## 32. TALKATIVE GIRL

All the friends of Sitaramu were married. Everyone was teasing him. They were all telling him, if you are like this, as age passes by, it will be difficult to get a girl. After a few

months, he said he got married. It was a surprise to all. What you did not tell us, how is the girl, one day we will come to your house.

The name of the girl is Lalith. She had changed that as Lilly. In the mind of Sitaramu, one drawback was seen the girl is beautiful, she tops in every work, everything is perfect, she helps her husband in his work. The only minus point in her was she was not able to talk. Knowing this fully well, Sitaramu had married her. If the drawback was due to some ailment, he could get treated from doctors. But it has come by birth. God alone must help him.

Sitaramu was a divine person. Whatever be, he prayed God. God appreciated his divine nature and appeared. After knowing the reason, He said, think over for two days. When God appeared again, Sitaramu was firm in his mind and said, if she can talk it is enough. God bestowed him and left.

Sitaramu was very happy. Four to six months passed. When Lilly started talking, he got headache. If I had taken God's advice how nice it would be. I did a wrong thing and felt bad. She said, tell me where your God is. I myself will talk to Him.

God heard what she was telling and ran away immediately!

## 33. CHANGES IN THE MARRIAGE SYSTEM

In Marriage system also sufficient changes have taken place. As I have seen, in our village Bukkambudhi two marriages were held for seven days. One program only for a day. Tiffin, Dinner.

As time went on, the marriage function was limited to two days. For recent marriages one day is enough. Some people will inform you earlier that the marriage must finish within two hours!

In earlier days before fixing up the marriage, the parents of girl and boy meet together, showing the horoscopes to Shastriji, if he finds that they are tallied, then only further discussion for both the families. That time is over, and enough changes have been made. Whether it is a girl or boy, they do not give an opportunity to parents. They themselves will contact each other through internet and decide. No problem fixing a wedding hall, no Purohit, no question of systems.

Our marriage was over last month itself, if they tell their parents, there is no surprise! Changes have been made here also as in other fields.

Generally, for the marriage, thread ceremony functions, they were not getting the invitations printed. Everything was over on the postcard. After writing on that they were smearing Kumkum making the finger dipped in ghee. If anyone sees Kumkum, it is understood that it is some good news.

As time went on, the system of getting the invitation printed. On top of that along with the figure of their family deity, the names like Sri Venkateswara Prasanna, Nanjundeswara Prasanna, Bhairaveswara Prasanna. Then the names of parents, names of boys and girl, date, the time of Muhurtham, the name of the choultry.

Now a days, just the names of boys and girls, marriage function must over within two hours. They themselves will get it printed on their names. The parents will not come to the picture. Some youngsters inform their parents after they get married. That is the luck of Father and Mother!

One of my friends, Shastri, knew me very well. Shastri just for a namesake, he was not doing the profession of Purohit. He had two daughters. The elder one was in America. For her, marriage was settled. The boy was an American. The engagement took place in Bangalore. For that function, the boy was not there, nor the girl. Even no relatives of the boy.

The number of guests who were invited by Shastriji was more than two hundred!

The marriage was held in a Church in America. The time fixed was 11 a.m. But Shastriji went there five minutes late. The Church door had been closed; it seems. 'Seeing the closed door, I returned and opened the door of the house and entered the home and slept peacefully! he said.

## 34. MARRIAGE WITH PRINCES!

Rajanna had not married for a long time. All were teasing him only. One day he came forward and announced that he had decided to marry.

Is it so? Then the girl must be beautiful. Who is that lucky girl? With the Princes!

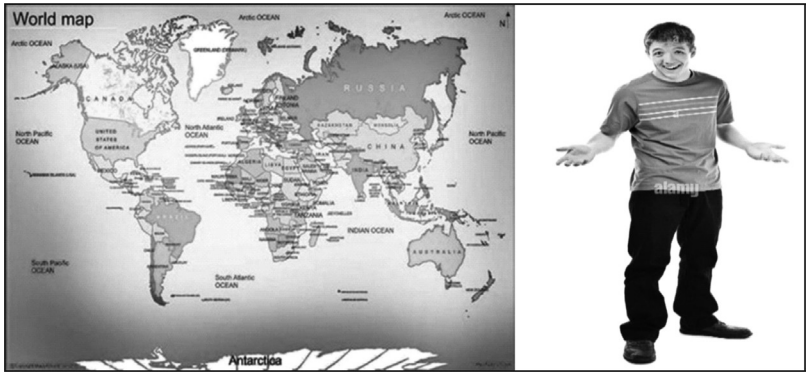
What a mad man. Have you a little wisdom in your brain? Are you marrying the princes?

Fifty percent is already decided. How? I agreed, he said!

## 35. CONTEST IN WEEKLY MAGAZINE

For the retired Govinda Rao, the only habit. Solving the problems published in Weekly magazines. He will always be immersed in that. Rao's friend Lawyer Krishnaswamy, finishing his morning walk, came to Rao's house. What I say, so early spreading the magazines sitting.

Come, come, he invited and told his wife, hi, Lawyer Krishnaswamy has come, bring coffee for him. Talking generally, he placed a magazine in front of him. When he asked what is special about this, Rao said, see this World map is put here and there, this has to be set right. I have been trying to do it for the past one hour, it has not been possible to set it right.




The lawyer said, “I think you have no better work to do. What if, let this map be of any shape. Is it possible to change the real world, he just pushed off”. He said in that map India is somewhere else, Russia is somewhere, Chaina is somewhere, we must locate.

By that time Rao’s son Shyama came. He said that he could set it right within five minutes. Rao got upset. What, I have been struggling for the past one hour, can you set it right in five minutes.

Shyama said, give it to me. There was a figure of a human being on the back of it. He knew very well where the leg must be, where the hand must be, where the head. When those pieces were aligned, the World Map behind the figure got aligned correctly

Shyama said, if one person could be set right, the whole World would become all right! He had shown the light on his ego. Let us now at least try to change the nature of human beings.

## 36. BIRTHDAY GIFT

Subhash is an honorable gentleman. He was liked by everyone in the town. Mercedez Car Company President.

On the Birthday of his wife Premi, he gave her a diamond necklace. She said, “I was expecting that you would offer a Mercedez car”.

He told her ‘Yes, I could have. But the problem is, we will not get artificial car’!

## 37. SURPRISE GIFT FOR BIRTHDAY

Amar, Ambali a good pair of husband and wife. For any function always going together. For Ambali, a large number of friends. She had made a big list to invite all of them for her Birthday.

Amar had thought of giving her a Surprise Special Gift. When he was walking on the road, he saw a parrot in the cage in front of a house. A beautiful green parrot with red peak. When he was standing there, the parrot started to talk, ‘Please come inside, sit down’. For Amar it was a great surprise. Whatever was, he had a mind to buy it and give it to Ambali on that day.



When he met the owner and asked, she said ‘I am not willing to sell, the reason, I have been keeping the parrot for the past twenty years.’ Amar was ready to pay whatever the cost. When he pressurized, she agreed. He bought it and purchased a silk scarf in the neighboring shop and covered it and brought it home.

On her Birthday all the friends of Ambali were present. When Amar removed the scarf, the parrot saw everyone and said ‘Oh, all these faces I had seen’!

The previous owner of the parrot was running prostitution!

## 38. EXTRAVAGANT LOVE FOR SMOKING

When I was working in the Coffee Board, one of my Officers was smoking too much. From him, advice to another smoker. Just for fun, he was telling his wife, "Even I can leave you, but not the cigarette!

When he was in Bangalore, a funny thing happened. For Officer's room there was half door. Once he sent words to one of our colleagues. He was a Stenographer. When he called twice, he came and went back. The Officer got angry and called him again. He said, "I came to your room two times, but you were taking lunch." Lunch? Surprise. When he said I saw you were chewing, he removed his denture and showed him!

The Officer had come to Chikmagalur for one month on additional duty. There one by name Venkatasubbayya was working as Attender. The Office and the residence were in the same building. After taking bath, he came to his room, wearing a towel on his shoulder. He kept a rupee on the table and asked him to get a cigarette pack. He took the money and was about to go. The Officer asked him whether he knew which brand. He said, "I know Gold Flak. He shouted and asked whether his father gave him money, Burkley, Burkley!

Venkatasubbayya was a mild person, he was not talking loudly. The Officer told him, if he did not talk loudly, he would hit him!

## 39. MEDICINE FOR STOMACHACHE

When I was working in Chikmagalur Office, a newly recruited employee one day had to leave the Office early. The Office timing was from 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. He sent in a chit to the Officer for permission to leave the Office by 4 p.m. The reason, "Since I have been suffering from stomachache for the past four days, I may be permitted to leave the Office by 4 p.m."

K. G. Menon was the Officer. He came to him with speed with that chit and said, "If you have been suffering from stomachache for four days, why do you want to go by 4 p.m. Go now only but put some other reason."!

Another colleague was a B.A. graduate. The rest four to five were S.S.L.C. He was very proud that he was a graduate. He had drafted a letter addressed to the Coffee Curing Works with copy to Head Office. That letter had to be seen by the Officer before typing. A.V. Ramunni Menon was the Officer then. When he saw the letter, the fact that the copy of the letter being sent to head office must not be known to the Curing Works. For that reason, he had written NOO. His handwriting was whirl. Another colleague saw that said, see, there is a lot of difference between graduates and non-graduates. On your draft the Officer has remarked Very Good! You must get us coffee. So, he ordered coffee.

After drinking coffee, another colleague said, "There is some doubt, you go to the Officer and ask him. Then he went to his room and asked him what he had written. The Officer said, "NOO means NOT ON THE ORIGINAL!

## 40. EQUIPMENT FOR URD VADA

Working in Coffee Board, after retirement, one officer Narayana Iyengar was appointed as Supervisor in the Tirupati Temple canteen for two years. When he was there, he had deviced an equipment for making Urd Vada. In that at a stretch one hundred fifty vadas could be done. See how it is.

About two and a half feet square table, covered all around. On top of it is a big pan. In the centre, about 15-20 holes are like rice sieves. Attached small tubes up to bottom dipped in oil can. If one by one vada dough is put and switched on, vadas are mixed with boiling oil, with the force they look like dancing! When it comes to a stage and removed the switch,



vadas only will be in the pan. At a stretch 150 vadas can be done.

The Temple had given him a special Present for that.

## 41. SAPTHA NARAYANA NAMO NAMO

In our Coffee Board there were five to six employees with the same name. For two people, we could address them with their two letters, there was no problem. They are H. Narayan, H.M. Narayan. For the other two, Rao and Appa had been added to the names, there was also no problem. They are S. Narayana Rao and Narayanappa. The other one, the job, was writing pictures. He was writing figures for the monthly magazine Indian Coffee. So he was addressed as Artist Narayan only. In the other two, one was using snuff, and he was called Snuff Narayan. The employee's name we want presently is Six fingers Narayan. The reason was that he had six fingers on one of his hands.

A Cricket Team from Bangalore Coffee Board Office had come to Chikmagalur. On the day of their return, we had

arranged a Lunch. At that time (1955-56) there were no big hotels. All were sitting on the carpet and having lunch. Myself and the other two colleagues together had prepared food. For sweet, Kesari bath. When we were serving food, Narayan said he wanted to have a little Kesari bath. When I told him it was little only, taking out that magnifying glass and see, you yourself will know it, the Officer who was sitting next to him (R. Satishchander) could not control laughing, the food which was in his mouth fell out!

## 42. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT IN USE

This is an equipment to wear socks. A few months back when I went to Maryland, somebody gave it to me. Putting the leg in that blue tube, attaching the socks at the end, if you pull the strip, the socks will come up to the knee suddenly. But I have to take that equipment wherever I go. I am not that weak not to use my hand to wear socks!

I went to one of my friend's house. When we were talking together, some equipment like a tortoise was there. It was sweeping the house right from the corners. It was learnt that many householders have kept that equipment. No need for broomsticks and brushes. Even for that work, if we want equipment, where is the need for exercise. We have been brought to the stage that without a variety of equipment and machines, we cannot pull on our lives. If this is the case, how we degrade to what extent cannot imagine.



Casually when I was talking with a woman, when I told her the system of offering Kumkum and turmeric powder how it has changed, she said there is no wonder, now a days nobody will put Kumkum, even who will smear turmeric powder, there is no necessity. She justified it. If I continued to argue with her, she would have beaten me. Whether she puts Kumkum or not, what do I care!

Since male, female, children all wear pant and shirt, no other changes are required, it seems.

Even for naming grandchildren there was a system. They were named in the name of his or her grandfather or grandmother. The reason is that at least we can remember our elders. After all the changes, let it be any name. If they call the father father only, it is enough. That itself is a great thing!

## 43. SINGLE FAMILY – JOINT FAMILY

Generally, in earlier days there were many undivided families. Even those who owned thousands of acres of land were working together distributing the work like government departments. In with one family, there were nine brothers. All had married, children living in one place peacefully. Why, my father in law's was also an undivided family. Out of the three, two were Village Accountants and one was a Primary School teacher. They also owned a garden and agricultural field. We did not notice any problems. There was unity among the ladies also.

In the next generation, I mean the children's regime, there were differences. One was against the other. That was seen among the ladies also. So, there were quarrels we witnessed even when it reached violence. If they have huge properties, you cannot question them. Abusing each other. You are of the old generation, what you can understand, such bad mentality

among children. Even between sisters in the same house quarrel. If this is the case, who can be set right!

To notice the changes observed in recent families, we have no time. That is our luck! To set right these things there is no need for any equipment. Man's way of thinking must be the beginning for the transformation.

## 44. THE RATE OF DIGNITY!

44 years have passed since this incident. Even then, that day how we were tumbling amongst us is reflected in my mind. My father in law's eldest brother's (Ashwathnarayanaiah) wife Parvathamma had to be admitted to the hospital. About seven to eight people went to Mysore from Bangalore.

She was admitted to the hospital. That was Sunday. After admission, when she was being shifted to the Operation Theatre, she died on the stretcher itself. Since her name was entered in the Admission Register, the concerned Doctor said that unless the postmortem is done the body cannot be released. Because it was Sunday, the postmortem can be done on Monday only. All of us could not stay in Mysore. However much we begged to explain our problem, he did not yield.

His Assistant suggested us pay him thirty rupees and he will sign the paper and release the body. When we contacted the Doctor and placed thirty rupees on his table, he pushed the amount and told us that it is below his dignity to touch that amount. We also felt bad for offering the amount, he being such a Dignified Officer.

To retain his DIGNITY, we paid another twenty rupees. He took all the amount and within five minutes signed the paper and ordered his Assistant to release the body. Now you can understand the RATE OF DIGNITY!

After cremation, we returned to Bangalore on the same day.

## 45. NEW TYPE ENGINE

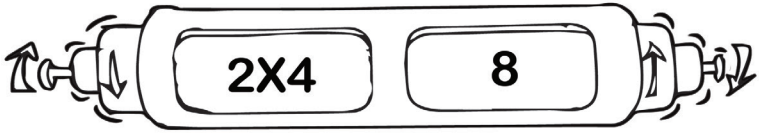
Many years ago, a Mechanic by name Abdul Hussain had a shop on Narasimharaja Road, Bangalore. Some damaged vehicles available in flea markets were in his shop. Fixing so many spare parts, he constructed an engine.

To test whether it works correctly, he placed it on the edge of the road and when pressed suddenly it ran to a distance. Before it could be controlled it dashed to a compound of a resident and stopped. The owner of that house filed a case in the Court and Abdul Hussain was jailed for one year. He appealed through a Lawyer and explained that he also did not anticipate the incident. When it was not possible, he submitted an appeal to the higher Court.

The Judge in the higher Court declared that it was not correct for the lower Court to punish him. He has invented a new type of engine. For that, instead of honoring him the lower Court has erred in convicting him. The Judge ordered that he must be released immediately. By the time he had spent ten months in jail!

## 46. GOVERNMENT'S APPROVAL FOR THE SMOKE OF INCENSE STICK

Bukkambudhi Venkateshiah did the trick. Putting one in the other tube of Incense stick, he made a calculator. Seeing the figures when it is rotated, the multiplication (2X4, 3X5) in the next line 8, 15 can be seen. Using that to teach young children was very helpful. At that time, Calculator, Computer were not in the field.



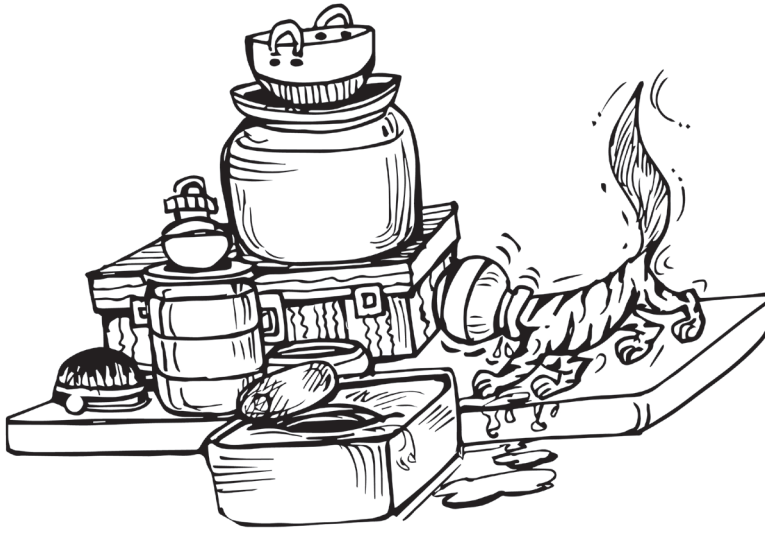
During 1984 his experiment was displayed in Door Darshan. Approving that, the then Government sanctioned him a monthly pension of Rs.250.

Anyone must appreciate his way of thinking that whatever he learnt must be taught to others also. Why, when I was studying in 4th grade Primary School, he had made me do arithmetic of Middle School standard! I remember him till today.

## 47. CAT IN THE MILK POT!

It happened in Bukkambudhi my father-in-law's house. Night twelve o'clock had passed. Everyone was sleepy. In that dead of night, sound comes from kitchen. Vessels sound, sound by touching one another. Women, children all became awake with fear and sat shivering. Nobody had the life to talk loudly.

My eldest uncle (Ashwatthiyya) and younger uncle Rangayya are standing holding a stick, whispering. If the people inside the kitchen are thieves, why will they make sound Whatever be, we must be alert. Rangayya do not rush



suddenly. Slowly open the door. Opening the door, they see a cat trying to drink milk, its head is caught in the milk pot. Whenever it shook its head, the pot was dashing another and making a big sound! Both the uncles started laughing. All the others got life.

Then, one putting a cloth on the cat held and the other holding the pot walked out of the house and slowly pulled the pot. The very moment its head came up, the cat jumped and ran away!

## 48. THE CHINESE TRICK!

A Chinese had come to Bangalore to visit places. To travel ten to twelve days, we had arranged a bus. We travelled around Belur, Halebeed, Shrungeri, Mysore, Srirangapattana. The bus stopped at Belur for two hours to see the temple. There one merchant was selling Sugarcane. Everyone bought drank the juice and threw the sugarcane skin here and there.

The Chinese also bought a piece of sugarcane about one and half foot paying eight annas. He peeled out the outer skin neatly. He weaved like a carpet and prepared a basket. Then he cut the sugarcane into small pieces and drank the juice. He tied the pieces one by one and sprinkled red and green powder. It looked like flowers. Keeping that in the basket and sold it for one rupee!



## 49. ANNUAL TAX ASSESSMENT

Annual Tax Assessment means, the Deputy Commissioner, Amildar and Village Accountant of the village all together decide how much agricultural tax each riot has to remit.

The Village Accountants of nearby villages also will come. Generally, in villages there will not be chairs, tables and cots, for sleeping they will have spread a big carpet. The children and boys sleep outside on the slabs. Apart from them, a few staff members also were sleeping. But my brother could not get any space to sleep.

He went to the backside of the house and roared like a tiger. All who were sleeping outside got up and ran away here and there. The moment the space was vacant, he covered himself with a blanket and slept there. All were screaming and calling him, Shamanna, get up quickly and come, a tiger has come. Saying no, why will tiger come and slept there only peacefully!

## 50. TELEPHONE STORIES

The owner of the house who had the telephone was the time of rich people. It seems they have telephones in their house! During 1945 I did not know how to phone using receiver. I got a job in a Film company. Salary Rs.40. The owner of the company went somewhere and phoned me to deliver a message to his house. I did not know how to answer. He got upset and as soon as he returned, gave me full salary for the month and asked me not to come to the office the next day and sent me out! I had worked for twenty days. Then the mobile phones had not come to the market.

When I was working in the Coffee Board office, there were two colleagues with the same name Ramanamurti. For one of them, there was a phone call. From the other end a girl was talking, what Mr. how long I must wait, I was disgusted she said. Ramnamurti got confused. Who is talking, he asked. She said, “Do not tell lies, I am Sundari who is talking. The phone call was for the other Ramanamurthi!

Likewise, there were two IAS officers in Vidhana Soudha, Raja Iyer. For one of them, a phone call from his house. His wife is talking. 'I am waiting for one hour. Your driver has not come till now, when I must go to the Club'. Iyer was blinking, sat. She was the wife of another Raja Iyer, waiting for the Office car! When you talk on the phone, you must make sure who is at the other end.

In our Coffee Board office one Venkatasubbayya was working as Attender. His wife Subbamma. She was a teacher in the Primary School. She was trying for a transfer to some other town. Somehow, she got transferred. To make sure, Venkatasubbayya phoned to the Department of Education. The phone reached straight to the Chief Officer. He got angry and kept the receiver. This man thought that the telephone call did not reach the Officer and phoned again. He commenced saying my wife, Subbamma. In the Primary Schools of the State government, there will be thousands of ladies by the name Subbamma. How is it possible for the Chief Officer to remember. This idiotic person phoned the Officer thinking that his call was not received at the other end. The Officer asked him to come to the office and enquire.

Venkatasubbayya said, this time if they do not give transfer order, I will shoot them. He could not even lift the rifle!

## 51. SPECIALTY OF BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

At the house 27 N Juliet Street, Iselin NJ 08830, USA some of our well-wishers observed the 99th Birthday of Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy. About thirty-five invitees were there. One of them by name Prathibha Ashwin had prepared a card denoting the year, how many months, how many weeks, how many days, hours, minutes, and seconds! See how it looks. In America, the birth date is considered for the

completed year, whereas in India they observe the beginning of the coming year.

I recollected an incident. Twenty-five years ago, in Manhattan, New York, they had installed a big Clock showing every second, in how many days, hours, minutes and seconds, we will be reaching the year 2000! Many of the visitors had made reservations in the hotels six months earlier! See their enthusiasm!




## 52. INSPIRATION FOR THE OCCASION

To have inspirational mind suitable for a particular occasion is not so easy for everyone. One Primary School teacher was transferred to a far-off village. He came and took charge of the school. For a few days there was no problem. When summer commenced, he was experiencing the heat.

One day it was unbearable hot. As soon as he entered the classroom, he gave a lesson to the children. Then he removed his turban and coat and shirt and was just fanning with cardboard.

The Attender rushed immediately and said, Sir the School Inspector is coming for a surprise inspection. When the Inspector was about to enter the door, the teacher started telling the children, see this is called Heart, two pipes are connected to it. One is windpipe and the other is food pipe.

The School Inspector was stunned. How much interest he is taking to train the children. If there are ten such people, it is enough for the improvement of our department. Such people must be encouraged to teach children and recommended an advanced increment to him!

## 53. DASARA FESTIVAL IN MYSORE

1933-34. His Highness the Maharaja Chama Raja Wodeyar was ruling. I was reading in the Primary School. The last day of Dasara. It was Vijayadashami. Immediately when the Maharaja sitting in the palanquin on the decorated elephant left the palace, they were beating the rifle 21 times. Along the road the enthusiastic people will be standing there to see him.

That day in all the charitable institutions special feeding to everyone. Including the children for each person One Golden rupee and Laddu.

My brother was studying at the Chamarajendra Technical School. For him the then President of the Kadur District was giving thirty rupees per month as Student scholarship. In Mysore we were only three, Me, brother and sister-in-law. We were leading life with that thirty rupees. The monthly house rent was One rupee!

Me and my brother were both students. Around the statue of the earlier Ruler Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar there were big electric dooms. For the Security guard my brother was paying two annas and getting permission to sit there and study. Our reading was from 4 a.m. to 6 a.m. He was drawing the figures, and I was reading my lessons. Then we came to a hotel, taking two dosas each and returning home. The expenditure was One anna!

## 54. TRAVEL TO VARANASI IN 1936-37

My father Venkataramana Bhagavatar travelled to Varanasi in 1936-37, taking a group of eight to ten people. Then the travelling was not so easy. Even though there was bus and train, just as at present, we could not get there in a minute or hour.

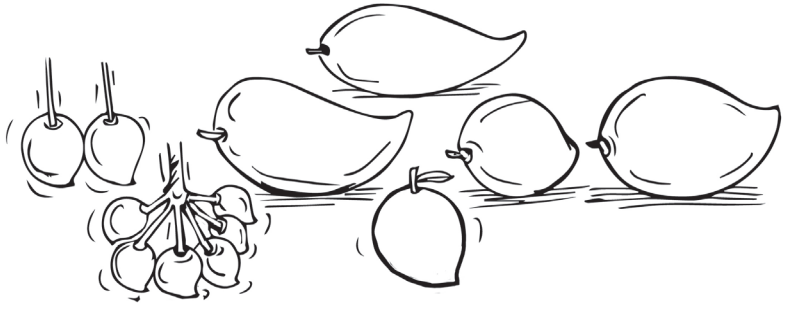
They had to come by bus from Chikmagalur to Bangalore. Then onwards travel by train. Father bought the bus tickets for all of them and gave them to one of the groups by name Subbamma telling her to keep carefully. She had tied the tickets to her saree end. The bus was ready to depart from the bus stop. When it was about to give the tickets, due to severe wind the tickets flew away! Father was very angry, you have done like a monkey, I do not know what I must do now. He scolded her. He got disgusted and said that he must not take such people anywhere hereafter.

At that time, the bus conductor who was so merciful said, do not worry sir, I know that you bought the tickets, come all of you inside and sit. After reaching Bangalore they travelled to Varanasi and completed the trip and returned safely.

## 55. 100 VARIETIES OF MANGOES

What you are telling if I hear, I never heard really that there are so many varieties of mangoes. “Whatever I get in our Jayanagar market, Raspuri, Malagoba, Badam, Mango like a parrot peak” said one who is a resident of Jayanagar. I told her, I have heard, I have seen, I have eaten. Not only that, but I have also seen those trees!

Raspuri and Malagoba mango trees do not grow to height. Below the Malgoba tree a boy standing can pluck 20-25 fruits



The peak of that fruit will be about one and a half feet. The fruits which are not reachable, they pluck with a big bamboo stick. The ones which can easily get, one climbs the tree, cuts the peak and drops. Another person will spread a rough cloth and catch the fruit before it touches the ground. Raspuri and Malagoba mangoes turn color when ripening. Malgoba generally remains green only.

Apart from this, dry coconut mango, Adakeputta, Gunjumavu, Alphanja, Gungemavu, Chandramavu, Gaddemaru, Midimavu. The dry coconut mango will not ripe. If eaten, it will be like a dry coconut slice. Adakeputta will be like a lemon in size. The other two varieties will be very tasty. Those trees grow to height. It is very difficult to climb trees. Generally, the fruits fall in the early morning.

They do not cut the Gunjumavu. Inside it will be like threads. They make a hole on the top and suck the juice. Gungemavu when it was flower only, a small insect enters into it. After the fruit grows, when you cut it, the insect will flow up.

Gaddemaru, Midimavu will not ripe. Those are reserved for preparing pickles. Gaddemaru grows in single, Midimavu in bunches. The trees also grow taller. Can be plucked Gaddemaru with a knife attached to the big bamboo stick. The midimavu only by climbing the tree, tying a bag to the waist, cutting the bunch and filling into the bag and bring down.

The size of the Midimavu will be like half the lemon size. This is not cut while preparing pickles. But the Gaddemaru must be cut with a sickle only. Cannot be cut with a knife. If Midimavu can be called great grandson, we can say that Gaddemaru is the grandfather of the great grandfather!

## 56. THINGS WASTED IN AMERICAN OFFICES

In each of the Offices in America, how much white paper is wasted, think about it. Thousands of white sheets, if there are just one or two mistakes, it is enough they put it in the garbage bin. Pencils, if they become short, they do not use. In some of the Bangalore offices, HAL factory, they attach Aluminum small tube to the pencils and use till the end.

In our own office, papers that are printed on one side, if there are one or two mistakes, they are not corrected. Returns with 150-200 sheets, it will be thrown into the bin.

When I was working in the Mahabodhi Society, at Bangalore the covers received by mail were cut and used to write on the backside. When Swamiji was dictating an article for the magazine, Swayam Sahaya, I was writing it in Shorthand on the other side of the cover!

Some of the companies who sell office supplies like white paper, pencils, pens, computers, calculators etc. get printed a brochure containing two to three hundred sheets and send it to different offices. Even though we have not purchased any item from them that brochure will be mailed to us. We will not open the brochure, just throw it into the garbage bin. With the amount that is wasted on stationeries lakhs of students can be maintained!

Why, in so many houses the furniture that are used like chairs, tables, cot if they are broken a little bit, they will put them on the road edge. Even if they can be used without damage, now we have been using them for a long time, we must get fresh ones. When dresses for children are bought, if they say that color is not good, to return to the shop it requires almost half a day. So, throw it. Parents also rear the children in that way.

Food items that are wasted cannot be measured even. In the shops who sell vegetables when customers fill beans or bhindi if a few falls to the ground, they will not put it back, they will sweep and fill into the garbage bin. In Bangalore, if some vegetables are rotten, they cut that part of the vegetable and put it in a heap and sell it at a lesser rate.

The expenditure on varieties of tissue paper used in America is almost equal to India budget one researcher had said!

## 57. PRESENTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

In America, each family offer presents to their friends and relatives during the Christmas festival. For children, according to their standards, select the books. As in the vegetable market, bookshops also maintain the trolleys to carry books. One week earlier, you can see heaps of books in every bookshop.

When any other item is given as present, they will not write their names as we do. Along with the present they keep the receipt. By chance if you receive four or five of the same kind, you can return to the shop with receipt and get refund. Of course, with a lesser amount for that. There also people wait in line to return.

After the Christmas festival, they sell certain items at a discount. They buy and keep for next season!

## 58. TALK BETWEEN TWO DEAFS

When I visited Bangalore last year, some of my retired colleagues invited me to a party. On seeing the crowd on the roads, I was a bit afraid to go out. I suggested they have a party in one place so that I can meet everyone. They arranged it in a hotel in Malleswaram. I was the only person from

Jayanagar to join them. One of them took me on his scooter. There were five people. They ordered Dosa and coffee. It seems Dosa was a special item in that hotel.

Two in the group Rama Rao and Subbiah were deaf! We could not make out what they were conversing. I remember and I have detailed verbatim.

Rama Rao: Do you know they have elected Rama Jois as President of USA?

Subbiah: She left last week.

R: Why must Rangappa come here?

S: I heard that you are visiting Russia.

R: No, she cancelled her visit.

S: I am asking you why Ramanna is going to London.

R: No, I will visit Singapore.

S: Whatever you say, I come to this hotel only.

Though we had free entertainment, we could not laugh. Otherwise, they may mistake us. Fortunately, Dosa was supplied. At least there was a break. If I stay there for some more time, I thought I would go mad. Within a few minutes one of my known friends came there surprisingly. He was also from Jayanagar. I thanked my colleagues and left with him.

## 59. GIFT FOR THE NEW YEAR

Sudarshan and Sheetal were happily married. They liked each other to the maximum. At home also they worked together. He was helping her in every aspect. Sheetal had beautiful hair. Sudarshan always admired her.

For the New Year both of them were thinking without the knowledge of others. He had in mind to present her with something which must be useful that too surprisingly. She also thought that she must give him something that must meet his requirements.



On the previous day she sold her hair and bought a platinum watch strap for his wristwatch. Likewise, he thought of selling his watch and buy an ivory comb which she had none.

The New Year was full of lights and decorations. Both of them were holding their presents on their back and suddenly showed to each other. They were blinking. For Sudarshan Platinum Strap without Watch, for Sheetal Ivory Comb without hair!

## 60. CAN THE JUDGMENT PRONOUNCED ALWAYS, CORRECT?

We cannot conclude that the judgment pronounced in a case is always correct. In so many cases, a thief caught with the articles stolen is acquitted. A murderer is let free based on his money. All depends on the arguments advanced by each lawyer for and against.

A Manager in an office producing a fraud receipt got money. When it was found, he was dismissed. His argument was, when more money was taken by fraud, he was excused but why punish me!

When I was in Chikmagalur, there were four to five thefts. The thieves who were caught were students in the Government High School. To ascertain where they all had thieved, the Police Inspectors took them to those places. One merchant had given news item to the Press saying that there was a thief in his shop and twenty thousand rupees missing.

The thieves said that they took ten thousand only and that is written in their book and asked the merchant why he gave wrong information to the Press! The merchant was ashamed of his act.

I recollected one story that I had read about seventy years ago. One representative of the Thieves Association went to the Court and asked the Sentry that he had to see the Judge! The Sentry said that the Court is in Session, and no outsider is allowed to see the Judge at that time. Then he gave his visiting card and asked him to show it to the Judge and if he permits, he will go inside. Though it was a bit embarrassing, he took the card and showed to the Judge. The Judge allowed him for five minutes.

The representative went inside and introduced him that he was the President of the local Thieves Association. What did you say? Yes, Your Honor, I am the main person in the Association, and I have come to request you for Police protection. All the Lawyers were looking at him in surprise.

He was narrating that they would not rob a poor man. If he is selling Banana or Bonda on the roadside, for his livelihood, they will not rob him. Exploiting thousands of poor workers if one has become rich, only such people will be robbed. We must fight against them. Out of the money we have stolen, we are maintaining two thousand families and showed the details.

When doing such brave things, how much strength we must have, while doing pickpocketing, how clever we must be, how tactful. Without considering all these qualities, simply equalizing us with that of a man who thieves a banana is not correct. He asked his Assistant Yasha to lift a door which leads to an inner Lockup. It was an iron door which could not be lifted so easily. Yasha did it in two minutes. Not only

that, but he put it back in the same way, so that no one has meddled.

The Representative then requested one of the Lawyers to come to the front. He started explaining how they pickpocket. Where he holds the handkerchief, where he will have the blade or scissors and all that. When he was telling Yasha was touching the lawyer according to that and taken out his wristwatch. The lawyer said he could not know that. Yes, that is our business not to make you notice it.

Though the Judge had given him five minutes time, it was almost two hours. Hearing all he was telling, everyone was perplexed!

The President of the Thieves Association continued and said, not only that your Honor, if there are no thieves at all, there is no necessity of the existence of Police Department. That means no job for the lakhs of Police Constables. In fact, we are helping the nation in solving unemployment problem! Please consider this point.

The Judge appreciated his argument and finally concluded that there is no harm, and they must be given Police! Protection!

## 61. LOVE LETTER

Sarasi was looking every day at the boy who was sitting near the window at the opposite end of the house and immersed in reading. While reading he had no other thought. She was thinking if he lifts his head at least once, she could talk to him. For her luck, he lifted his head and looked outside from the window. Sarasi was eager to talk to him and went to his house and asked whether she could know his name. He said his name was Gopi.

I want a favor from you, I love a boy, a letter has to be written to him, if you could write it will be helpful, she said. What can be said for such a request. It is all new to him. Whatever be, he wrote to avoid pressure.

After a few days, Sarasi went to him again. Oh, one more letter, she said no, for my letter a reply agreeing. What sort of ambition, why must I get headache, he wrote her lover's letter, so that he could get rid of her. Sarasi left joyfully. One week after that another letter. Gopi did not know even who her lover was. This type of correspondence went on several occasions. The frequency developed between Sarasi and Gopi. At the end he admired Sarasi, and it seems he married her!

## 62. WAGES FOR READING NEWSPAPER

Before I joined the Coffee Board, I went to the house of a Retired Judge and read the Newspaper. He was totally blind. A murder of a famous advocate in the Gandhinagar extension of Bangalore, was the news all over. The Court proceedings of each day were published in the paper. Full two pages was reserved in The Hindu.

That retired Judge was very keen to know the details. So, I was engaged. I got seven rupees per month. To read the two pages of verbatim proceedings connected to the case it took one and a half hours. The rest of the news I must read the heading and if he says Yes, I have to read, otherwise, the next topic.

To read the newspaper in mind and read it loudly there is difference. By the time I finished reading, my throat was dry. I did the work for five to six months. I developed the habit of reading. I was keen on knowing the grammatical and spelling mistakes.

After joining the Coffee Board, I was selected by the State Government as Assistant Examiner to examine thousands

of answer papers in Typewriting. By and large, I had to go through four thousand answer papers in a year. For the fourth time I was selected as Deputy Chief Examiner. My duty was to identify how many mistakes they had made. Based on that marks will be counted. If he gets 35 out of hundreds, he is deemed to have passed.

## 63. VARIETIES OF VESSELS USED

In the earlier days we used earthen pots for cooking and storing groceries. Keeping milk, butter, ghee etc. and for keeping pickles a special type of mud vessel only.

To keep pickles

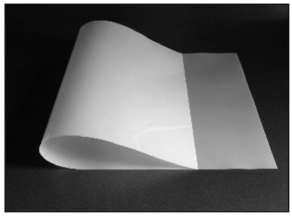
Then a little change took place and metal vessels came into existence. Aluminum, Brass and Bronze, Steel, Glass and Plastic. When using these there was little exercise for hand. It vanished after the entrance of the Dish washer!

Side by side emerged glass and plastic. When using glassware, you must be careful. Now hundreds of plastic items are in the market.







## 64. PARTNERS IN A SHOP

Two people in a Shop, father-in-law and son-in-law were partners. Every day after the business hour was over, sitting side by side, each one was counting the notes. Money had to be deposited to the bank the next morning. This was going on promptly. Though they were close relatives, each was doubting the other. They were cautiously watching at every stage.

One day at ten o'clock in the night when they were counting the notes the light went off. Both of them were suspicious and thought that the other may switch off a few notes. Each of the partners held the other's hands, shouting at thief till the light came!

## 65. DO YOU KNOW THIS?

In San Francisco of America, they had arranged a Contest. You might have heard the name of Charlie Caplin. He was a well-known Commedian. It was published in all the

newspapers and on TV that prizes will be given to those who dress just like Charlie Chaplin!

Big posters were erected in all important places. It was displayed the date and place of the Contest on the posters. They had kept a poster of six to seven feet height next to the house of Charlie Chaplin. Every day he went for a morning walk. As soon as he came out of the house, he saw the poster in amusement. He went near to that and saw the contents

He thought of going to that place to observe what they would do. He went on that day and stood watching. About forty to fifty people had dressed like him and walked as a parade on the stage one by one. All were looking like him.

A few minutes after that the Organizer announced the names of those who got the prizes. Charlie Caplin got the THIRD PRIZE!

## 66. MISCONCEPTION WHILE TALKING

For his Ph.D. my son was studying at IIT Kanpur. It is a four-year course. At the end of the fourth year, he and his two classmates had to return to Bangalore. Before leaving, it seems they went to a Leather goods shop, since my son's friend wanted to buy a belt.

When they went to the shop there were hundreds of varieties of belts hanging. His friend saw them one by one and selected one. He did not know much about Hindi language. He had to ascertain the price for the belt. He showed it to the Manager and said 'ye koun hai' (who is this)! The Manager could understand that he is from South India.

My son and the other friend coolly went to the other side, otherwise it would be disgraceful if they stayed with him.

Then all the three were walking on the road, a resident of Kanpur known to them saw and invited them for lunch. By

chance you came this side, she said. They sat eating. When they had finished half, the resident said, see by chance you came today, otherwise I had to feed the dog!

After I retired from the Coffee Board, I worked for two to three years in the Brahmana Mahasabha. There one by name Hemalatha was working. Before coming to Bangalore, she and her parents were in Delhi. Her father was an Electrical Engineer. He knew a little about Hindi language.

If any repairs were to be made, they touch them with a wooden stick so that they do not get shocked. For that reason, instead of asking for a stick (Lakadi in Hindi) he was saying Girl (Ladaki in Hindi)!

Hemalatha told me, see how foolishly my father asked.

## 67. PERSONAL CONTACT, RELATIVE KINSHIP, MUTUAL AFFECTION

It is years I feel forgotten the words Personal contact, Relative kinship, Mutual Affection. I had observed these in the undivided families I had also seen four to six such families.

In some of the recent generations, children feel it is indecent to address father as father. Between brothers and sisters, they do not have personal contact with each other. They do not correspond even. During marriage etc. functions they meet occasionally. If we ask where your younger brother is, they say 'Oh it is also that much, we do not have contact with him of late. When he says that being an elderly person, he does not think that there is something wrong with him also.

Even the wife also pressures his husband not to interact with him, let him do whatever he thinks. You get a transfer to any other place, then there will not be any problem, she cannot take care of the in-laws, is her advice. If there is any property distribution which the parents had left behind, there will be a big quarrel among brothers.

The girls who enter the husband's house after marriage change quickly. Pursuing the husband in every way, she makes him a puppet. He becomes an 'Yes man' for what she says. I saw such families. When the situation reaches this height, where is the place for personal relationship, Mutual Affection and what not?

In a movie, the children and daughters-in-law how they treat the elders is mainly depicted. A few ladies of a particular community in New Jersey prevented their husbands from viewing that movie!

## 68. SON-IN-LAW'S DEAFNESS EXPOSED!

Rama Jois is a famous Purohit in Mysore. Janakamma a suitable wife for him. Only daughter Lalitha. Marriageable age. Though a Purohit, a good income he was getting. Apart from this, the ancestral property, three acres of garden, enough paddy field for his house near Nanjangud. He searched for a boy. The boy and his parents were in Bangalore. The boy Venkatesh Murthy had a good job. The Jois conducted the marriage suitable to his prestige. After the marriage the bridegroom's party left for Bangalore.

For Jois, every day a program, marriage, thread ceremony, housewarming, Satyanarayana Vratha, festivals. In these functions, lunch means ghee, milk, sugar, are main ingredients. Jois from the beginning is a little stout person. Therefore, his health became critical. No medicine could help.

Son-in-law Venkatesh Murthy was not hearing properly. It was not known earlier to marriage. In course of time, no doctor could cure. When he heard that his father-in-law was ill, both husband and wife left for Mysore to visit him.

Throughout the journey, Venkatesh Murthy was thinking that in-laws could know his deafness. He thought that he could return as early as possible without making it known to

them. Since the in-law was ill, he must be taking good medical care, also the food. Thinking all this, he thought in his mind the proper question and answers to talk accordingly.

Soon after reaching Mysore, he started to talk with his in-law. Are you taking medicine regularly, he asked. He said, no medicine had helped. 'Do not worry, it is enough," the son-in-law replied. "Do you eat properly," he said the very moment food goes inside the stomach, it vomits he said'. 'Somehow the God saved' said Venkatesh Murthy!

Those who were by the side heard their conversation came to know that Venkatesh Murthy is deaf! The very next day, he said that there was a lot of work at the office, and they would come leisurely. They left for Bangalore after breakfast.

## 69. NURSING DOGS IN AMERICA

One must see the nursing of dogs and cats in America. The food required for them, toys for playing, a special type of seat for sitting and sleeping. For selling these there is a big store. They call it PetSmart. No other items are sold in that store. The food packet cost $25. It is enough for three months.

Every four or five months to cut the hair $25. They bathe the dog in warm water, dry with hot air, put powder, feed two biscuits and return to us. The special nursing for dogs, perhaps people may not get! From one side it is DOG and from the other side it is GOD. That is why it gets extraordinary care.

As we see in our place, there will not be any street dog, cow, donkey or horse on the road. When taking the dog outside you must chain the dog with a leather belt. Side by side a brush and a plastic bag (if it passes ……..). It is mandatory, otherwise a penalty of $100! By chance it bites anyone, they sue the owner of the dog for lakhs of dollars.

There will be the phone number of the house on the neck belt. If the dog escapes and if found by someone, he will inform the owner. When the owner comes to know where the dog is, he will go and bring it. Perhaps the dog also knows a particular language. Tamil, Telugu, Kannada or English according to their mother tongue, they talk to them.

If the owner of the dog wants to go out anywhere for seven to eight days, there are certain houses to take care of the dogs. It is an income from that also.

When I visited Alaska and Australia, I saw the Center where they train the dogs. It is a huge place where training is imparted in Alaska. About fifty to sixty dogs are there to get training. For each dog there is a small dwelling place. How much they have trained; seven to eight dogs together pulled a small truck! If a wooden bat is thrown in between the plants, it searches and brings it back. If sheep have gone hither thither, it gathers in one place.

One of our friends has come from India and settled in Australia. He invited me for dinner. When I went to his house, I saw two dogs there, a male and a female. He named them Rama and Sita. Beautiful dogs. I asked them for a photo. He talked to the dogs and said, see he wants a photo of yours, go and stand by his side. They came gently and stood by side giving a pose!

In America, for dogs also there are some crematory procedures. When they die, they burn just like cremation to human bodies. Filling the ashes in a glass bottle, if we want, they send it to our house. The people in the house mix a little soil and grow a plant. When they see it, they can remember, like what we do for our parents to keep photos.

There will not be any ritual functions it seems. Recently a person went to a different country and participated in the crematory procedures.

## 70. CHANGE REQUIRED IN THIS FIELD

There is no Priest to perform the death rituals in a right manner. Particularly in Tarikere (Karnataka) not one or two, several men were there in the profession of Purohits. Bukkambudhi, Thavarekere, Shivane and Ajjampura, in all these places the elderly people who were following the agelong profession have died. Some of their children have no interest and others have gone elsewhere seeking some other jobs.

Recently an elderly woman died. There is no Purohit to perform her death rituals. One Purohit had come from Banavara a distant place. In all the places mentioned above, there is no facility for electric cremation. The system of constructing the pier with bamboo, placing the dead body and taking it to the cremation ground is still in vogue. That is the only satisfaction.

Since the situation has come up to the level as such, a change is essentially required in this field also. The decision must be made by all coming together. If a Purohit is not available, what else can you do. As Gowri and Ganesha festivals can be performed with cassette, is it possible to perform death rituals also with cassette.

Due to covid havoc even the Purohit was there, he could not come. We changed the system. Give up that illusion, that only by performing the death rituals the dead ones get Peace! There are so many other ways to make the dead ones happy. You may give that amount to any poor people, donate to an Orphanage, or to any school to help poor students who could not afford their clothes and books. By this, the dead ones will certainly acquire merit.

As far as I am concerned, I have come to a decision to donate by body after death, to a Medical School and I have given it in writing. This is left to the person who dies and is

not concerned with others. I have done some arrangement how best my death rituals can be done. I have full confidence that I would get Peace!

## 71. LOST ONE!



Lost One? Who is that, what child, male or female. Simply do not shout, please listen calmly. What, can you predict seeing the Almanac, who is lost. The lost one is not a baby or a man. Even if it was his son, he would not have worried and told, "Let him go anywhere". What is lost is his CAT! Is it a small matter. That too it is a Male cat. That is why its name is Browne. It it was female; he would have called as Brownie. He has displayed this on seven to eight poles in our road. When I was passing near his house, he gave me also a Notice.

He has mentioned in the Notice, the color, length and breadth, height, the time when he saw it lost and at what time. If someone comes to know the whereabout, to inform him by phone. This generally refers to dogs and cats.

A few days back, one client came to our office with his wife and daughter along with a bassinet. They are known to me. They were discussing with our Officer for quite a long time. When they were going out, his daughter showed me the bassinet. I thought it was her child. No, it was a CAT inside!

## 72. PANDIT REQUIRES GOOD BEHAVIOR, SPEECH, CONDUCT

One Shastriji known to me for several years was residing in Basavangudi extension of Bangalore. He was reserved

only for annual death ceremonies. He was not performing Gowri Ganesha festivals.

In 1966 I contacted him for housewarming of our house. When I enquired, he said he would bring four purohits and I must pay each five rupees and bus charge of four annas for them to come from Basavangudi to Jayanagar and return. I told him, I have it in mind that I pay ten rupees each. He said 'do it like that, ten rupees each plus bus charge! Shastriji is a Veda Pandit.

In my house, my mother's death ceremony. The same day there was death ceremony in another house nearby. In one place arranging lunch for the invited brahmins, he was going to the next house for doing shraddha. Arranging for lunch for the brahmins coming to our house to continue the shraddha. He was collecting auto charges from both of us!

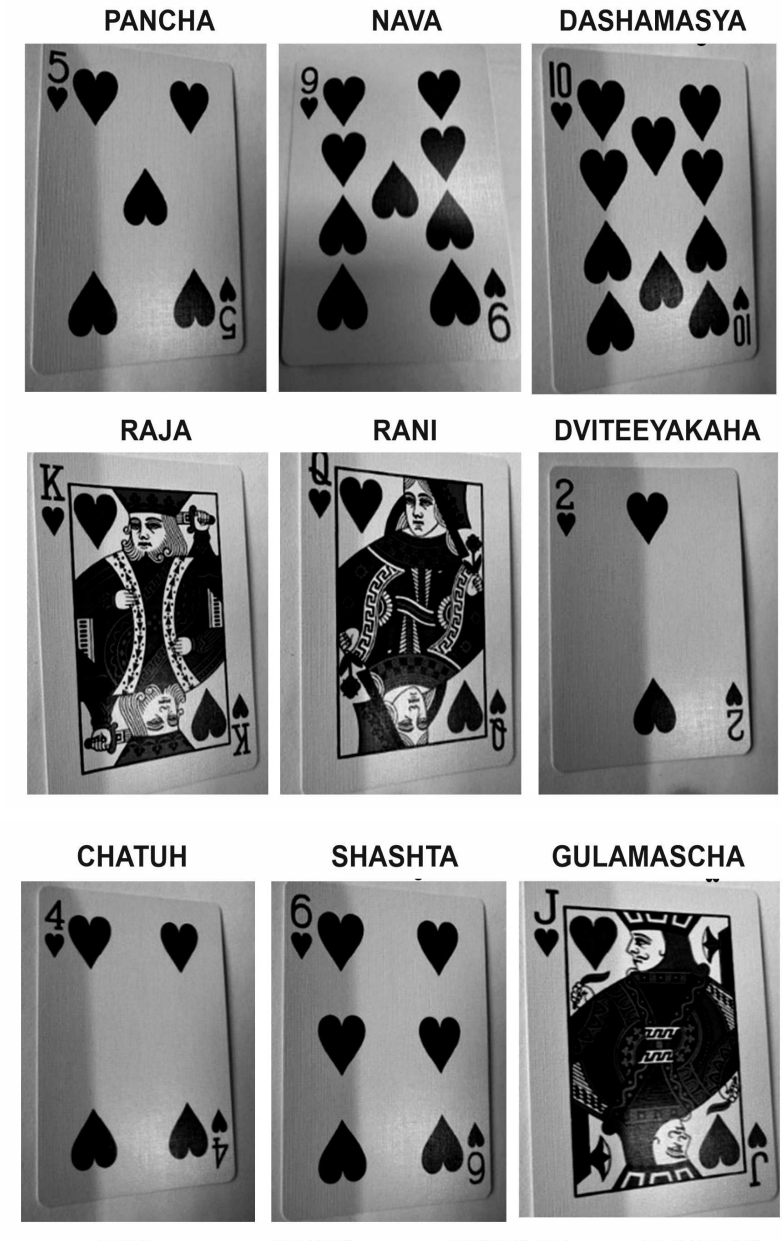
Shastriji's house was in Basavangudi. At home, his elder mother and son. They were not talking to each other. Both of them were cooking separately. What is the use of merely reciting Veda mantra like a parrot? Good behavior, conduct, speech are required for a man.

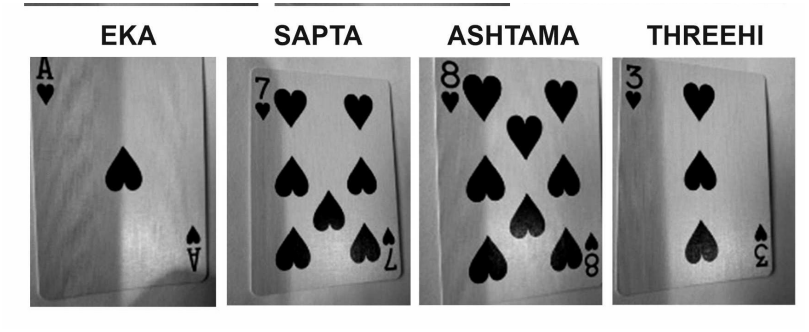
## 73. MAGIC BY PLAYING CARDS

See how there is close resemblance between Sanskrit language and English. There is a Sloka in Sanskrit.

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| PANCHA | NAVA | DASHAMASYA |
| RAJA | RANI | DVITEEYAKAHA |
| CHATUH | SHASHTA | GULAMASCHA |
| EKA | SAPTA | ASHTA MA THREEHI |

According to the above sloka put the Playing Cards on top one by one. Then as per spelling of English numbers, go on adding one by one as O N E, the fourth leaf will be 1. Again,


PANCHA
NAVA
DASHAMASYA
RAJA
RANI
DVITEEYAKAHA
CHATUH
SHASHTA
GULAMASCHA




another three cards as T W O, the eighth card will be 2. Then three cards T H R E E, the next one will be 3.

Like this, you can add the rest of the cards till 13th. Try once and you can know how there is resemblance between Sanskrit and English!

The author of Sanskrit Sloka was one Chandrashekhar from Shrungri (Karnataka) who was a cook.

## 74. PAVANA HOMA, BEE BITING

Among death ceremony rituals, Pavana Homa is also one they say. When it was performing outside, there was a coconut tree. On top of it, bees have made a hive. The people who were doing Homa did not know that the smoke of Homa touched the bees, and they spread and bitten the people who were performing. Also, who were observing. Bees have no discrimination! It is true that they were troubled directly or indirectly.

Bees have done good to us. We require honey for Ayurvedic medicine, while doing pooja, we want honey for ritual bath of God. Taking advantage from them, if they are troubled, how can they tolerate. I do not remember to have performed Pavana Homa when my father died, my brother-in-law died, or when my wife died. Several years have passed. But I am not troubled in any way.

In so many circumstances we have changed customs to suit our needs. One of our friends had to perform the death rituals in the cremation grounds, when his mother died. He was also not well. All his relatives advised him not to remove the shirt and cap, just because Purohit says. Then you will also get cold. Priest said, no problem you can put the sacred thread on shirt only! We have made so many alternatives, and it is not mandatory to perform Pavana Homa. We can do it in different ways to see that the ones who died get Sadgati. The expenditure you make can be donated to any Orphanage, or you may donate some amount to any poor students who actually need it. Think over.

## 75. DISCIPLES TO LEARN VEDA

My father told me this news. The town Sakharaya Pattana is eleven miles away from Kadur (Karnataka). In course of time, it has become Sakrepatna in the people's language. There was one by name Shama Jois. He was a Vedic Pandit, a godly person. At home only two, he and his wife Bhageerathamma. They had no children. Four to six students also were staying in his house to learn Veda. The Jois family had no problem that they had no children, and they believed that the disciples were their children only.

The people in the town, if they had any problems, used to come to the Jois and explain their difficulties. Whatever he suggested actually happened. So, he was admired by everyone. The people believed that he was the incarnation of God.

The disciples at home say that they like to eat Kayobbattu (a sweet dish), though the Jois said that they were only about eating, he was not ignoring them. By that time, if anybody comes to take his advice, he was asking them to prepare some Kayobbattu, keep it in a new bamboo fan and place near the

car house (temple door). Your problem will be solved. When they did that, the disciples brought it to the house! People were helped as per his advice.

## 76. COMPETITION OF MEDICINES

Each one is addicted to a particular type of Medicine as per his choice. If one is for Ayurvedic, some others for Homeopathy. Others for English medicines. Whatever you say, there is nothing, but Ayurveda says one. Another, you have not heard about Homeopathy. Simply giving medicine what is the use, you must identify the reason for the disease first. That is there in Homeopathy the others say who have surrendered to that.

I am always for English medicines only he said. Mr. you do not know anything about English medicines. One of my relatives is there. He is working in a Company where English medicines are manufactured. He only told me that medicines come to the market according to the experiment they do for the same disease. What Doctor, I have been swallowing the pills what you gave for the past six months, there is no cure. The doctor says, “is it? I will give another medicine”!

Why I am telling you all about medicines is, my brother’s son Krishnaswamy, you know. He is suffering from knee pain. If I say I have knee pain, it is not surprising, I am aged. He is young. He has been taking English medicine in the last six months. Then he took medicine from an Ayurvedic Pandit. Within two months he got cured. For that he had to be on leave for two months. Now another problem. In his office they do not accept the Certificate given by an Ayurvedic Pandit. They are very particular about it. They accept Certificate only issued by an Allopathic Doctor. So, he did not get paid salary for those two months.

One of his colleagues who knew an Allopathic Doctor took Krishnaswamy to him. He suggested to pay fifty rupees, and he will give a Certificate. When the Doctor asked him what his disease was, he said I do not have any disease, now the knee pain is cured, if you could give me a Certificate it will be helpful. Saying that he placed fifty rupees on the table. Knowing that his knee pain was cured by the Ayurvedic Pandit, the Doctor said that he too was facing the same problem, come on let us go to him. He did not take the amount and issued a Certificate!

## 77. SIMPLE TREATMENT – APPROPRIATE REMEDY

One person, who was a little aged, went to the Doctor's Office and was sitting. After some time, he could know why he had come there. By that time, the Doctor arrived. He asked him what his trouble was. He replied after two minutes and said, "of late he developed loss of memory.

The Doctor said, no need to worry about. Several Researchers together, conducting many experiments, have manufactured an excellent medicine. Those who have used that have benefited from the medicine.

If so, please give me the same medicine. The Doctor said whatever be, make the payment first, then I will give you the medicine!

Rama Bai, her house is just behind ours. She is very talkative. If she starts talking, there is no sign of stopping. It is not with us only. Same with her husband also. The people who reside side by side say, her husband talks even when he is sleepy, as told by Rama Bai.

Rama Bai went to the Doctor known to her and said, “my husband simply talking something even when he sleeps. So, I do not get sleep. What must I do Doctor?

The Doctor said, this cannot be cured by any medicine, you need not spend money for that, just give him a chance to talk during daytime! Telling this, he sent her back

Mayuri while returning from the Club was very angry. Her husband Sethuram was standing at the door. He asked her why you are so upset, what happened. She said, nothing happened. First you sack that new driver whom you appointed. Today when I was coming back from the Club, he was about to kill me three times.

Sethuram told her calmly, “Do not get rush, let us give him one more chance!

## 78. DO NOT BE FOOLED BY FALSE PUBLICATION!

One merchant had given a special news item in newspapers. We have received a new model dress known as Invisible. When you wear this nobody can recognize you. But you can see anyone. In almost every Police Department and Special CID department it is being used. Just send two hundred rupees to the following address enough, within fifteen days we will arrange to send it to your home delivery, was the news under Special News column.

The very moment when they saw the news, the foolish people started sending money. It is not a few, thousands of people. Within two weeks, there was a cardboard box in front of everyone’s door. When they opened, they saw a BURQA!

## 79. GIVEN NAME, CALLING NAME, NICK NAME

Given Name is the name recorded on the Naming Ceremony Day, that is on the eleventh day after the birth of a baby. Generally, it is customary to continue the names of our elders (grandfather, grandmother) in the family. If it is a big name, to call them easily, a short name such as, Naani for Narayanamurthy, Enta for Venkataramaiah, Shaari for Sharadamba, Subbi for Subbalakshmi, there is no problem. My given name was Venkatakrishna Sharma. I was called Puttu in the inner circle. When I came to America. My full name was Bukkambudhi Venkataramaniah Krishna Murthy! That name could not be input in the computer. When I got Citizenship, the name was Krishna Murthy.

There is some close comparison between Given name and Calling name. But for Nicknames there is no comparison at all. If you call Subramanya as Subbu, it is ok. To call him as Tata, in another place as Jatayu, we feel laughing! Lorry for Satyanarayana, Sheba for Venkataramaiah, Kandanni for Krishnamurthy. In one family, all the five brothers were called Aambi, Putta, Kaati, Jooli, Kitta. Some others, Agatu, Benaka, Akkumayya, Sheetibhatta, Akasharaya, these are all peculiar nicknames. There are no records in Government circle also.

If it was a few years ago, there was a possibility to meet any elderly person and ascertain the reasons for calling them by such nicknames. But then, I had no habit of writing. Now there is no one of my age. Let alone that, there is no one living who was called by that nickname.

For the present generation, there is no eagerness to remember our elderly people. Whatever the parents feel like, they name their children by any name. Do not even think about great grandchildren. Just for curiosity, if we meet them, “Oh,

you are my uncle is it., I did not know" if they say, it is not a surprise! This is the situation today.

## 80. LATEST EQUIPMENT, BE CAUTIOUS!

Harikrishna was a Manager in an Office. There were another four to six employees working under him. Quite often, they were telling false reasons and getting leave. Harikrishna believed them.

One day when he was sitting thinking about something, one by name Rajashekhar, a representative of a Company brought an Equipment to show Harikrishna. He said he was the Representative of the Easy Solutions Corporation. See this equipment how efficient. With this you can easily read one's mind. He cannot hide anything. If this green button is pressed and after five minutes any question you ask, he will answer the question what is in his mind. Harikrishna got curious.

Yes, in our Office the employees telling some reason ask for leave. We can find out. My wife Sarala is also eager to see such equipment. Please bring this to my house and explain. Tomorrow is Sunday. Both of us will be at home.

As requested, he brought the equipment, adjusting the attached wire to Harikrishna and started questioning.

Rajashekhar: What is your Office working hours?

Harikrishna: Ten to five-thirty (He had told his wife he had to go by nine, lot of work)

Ra: What do you do immediately?

Ha: Just chatting with my Personal Assistant Suchi till 10.

Ra: What is your salary?

Ha: Ten thousand (He had told his wife eight thousand)

Ra: What do you do on Saturday and Sunday?

Ha: One Saturday to Club with Suchi (What he had told his wife, Office work)

The wife heard all this and was very angry with a red face. After pulling out the attachment, there was so much irritation. Harikrishna got angry and said, "Get out with your bloody equipment. Rajashekhar said, 'Excuse me, I pressed the wrong button. The questions and answers refer to somebody else and left! For Harikrishna it was hell of a problem to console his wife!

## 81. WHO AM I?

In Bengaluru our house is in Jayanagar T Block 17th Main. On 11th Main there is a Coffee Works. I went there quite often to get the roasted coffee seeds powdered. One day when I went the shop was not yet open. On board the working hours were notified as 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It was already ten. Like me, another one was waiting.

Till the door was opened, we sat talking. During the conversation, he asked where Prabhakara was. I told him he is working in the Steel Factory near Calcutta. Then he asked where my son Sridhar who was in Bank was. I told him he is now in Hassan. Another son Ananda? He is studying at IIT Kanpur. Then a doubt arose. This man is mentioning everyone's name of our family. Maybe he must be our relative. But I am not able to recollect. Whatever be, I asked him only. Excuse me, I could not recognize you, your name?

I am Narayanarao Sir, Postman here, he said!

## 82. CHANNAGIRI KESHAVAMURTHY IS ALSO CK, CRICKET KESHAVAMURTHY IS ALSO CK!

I have known Channagiri Keshavamurthy for many years. When I was working in Balehonnur, he also got transferred.

There, who were not family people, three or four employees were accommodated in one house Keshavamurthy was not married then. He was not mingling with anyone. Just he and his work. Since he had a hobby of playing Cards, we two or three colleagues were close to him. He was taking his food in a Canteen. I wanted to invite him for lunch on the Ganesha festival at least. He was hesitant to come. To go to the canteen, he had to pass through our house. Thinking that I would stop him, he never came out of his house. On that day he had no food even! Gradually, the closeness developed between us.

Keshavamurthy was transferred to Bengaluru. He stayed in his brother's house. Even there he was not mingling with others. An antique. That was his chamber. He climbed on a ladder and pulled it to the top so that no others could come up! He was such a curious person.

After I came to Bengaluru, I was typing the thesis of students who were studying for M.Ed. examination. It is a responsible job. Keshavamurthy said he would help me but on one condition. When he comes to my house and type, no other person must talk with him, must not offer coffee or tea, because of the work done I must not give him any money! There was no option for me. I had to accept his conditions. If he feels thirsty, can I give him some water. He laughed and said 'YES'! When there was a function for my great grandchild's Birthday, he attended.

Though he did not play Cricket, he was very much interested in that field. He was assigned by the Bengaluru Cricket Club, for collecting statistics. Every player's age, height, how many matches he had participated in. All the details were at fingertips. He wrote a book on Sachin Tendulkar. Recently another publication "Literature Green, Cricket breath' was published.

Such a colleague of mine, Keshavamurthy is no more. I feel bad to express.

## 83. WHICH OCCURRED IN A COLLEGE

Generally, in college it seems, the problems are only with girls. One above the other. It is their challenge to display. Smearing different color lipsticks to their lips they were kissing the mirror near the sink in the bathroom. What kind of ambition is this? The whole mirror had become clumsy. How long can the sweeper clean. Not one day or two days, every day's problem. Could not tolerate. He went and complained to the principal. See Sir, every day rubbing and rubbing the mirror, my hand is aching. How difficult a job it is you can see. He requested the principal to advise them.

The principal consoled him and said, "I will ask everyone to come here tomorrow. You demonstrate how difficult a job is.

Next day every girl came to the bathroom. The sweeper took a long brush, dipping it in the toilet water, commenced slowly rubbing the mirror. Seeing how he was cleaning, every girl ran away.

From the next day onwards, no one kissed the mirror!

## 84. HOW MANY TIMES CAN JUMP THE COMPOUND?

On the Admission Day at the college, it was like a festival for each boy and the girl. Same curiosity for the parents also. The college Principal was announcing through mike who were all got seats. Those who secured admission assembled in a place. For those who cannot commute to college, they are given hostel accommodation. For girls, separate hostel, for boys separate. Both were side by side. Between a compound.

Next day, the Principal called everyone and explained the rules of the college. Those who violate the rules will be punished, particularly for the boys. Your side hostel is for girls. No one must jump the compound. If you jump once, you will be fined fifty rupees; if you jump twice, hundred rupees fine, the college Principal warned them.

A boy got up and asked it seems, if I jump the whole term, how much fine I must pay Sir!

## 85. DIFFERENCE BETWEEN KISSING AND COLOR APPLYING?

We four to six friends were sitting chatting. saw Balu coming from a distance. Coming alone laughing. Must be a special news we were thinking. He came by that time, still laughing. We kept quiet, let him say after stop laughing. After a minute he said, 'I have swallowed half a kg of lipstick till now'! We were afraid. One consolation is, he is still alive.

That is ok, how was it possible we asked. Not one day, a month or a year friends. Today it is five years since I married. Every time I kiss my wife, at least five to six milligrams of lipstick will pass into my stomach from her lips! Now you alone calculate how many times I might have kissed. Need a calculator, he said!

She applies color for hand and leg nails. But I do not have any problem on account of that at least! Just for fun I asked her how much time she needed for putting color. If it is for nails of hands only, a minimum of one and a half hours. She changes color once a week!

## 86. CONGRESS MOVEMENT IN 1942

Then I was studying for S.S.L.C. third year in the Government High School, Chikmagalur (Karnataka). Among

the students, the spirit of Movement was at its height. As per the directions of Mahatma Gandhi, the Procession on the road every day with the slogan 'Britishers Go Out'. So, I did not pass that year.

Small scale political leaders, to increase their prestige, were distributing fruits and biscuits to the students who were participating in the procession, when the procession was passing before their houses. Evening 6 p.m. a huge assembly in the Azad Maidan. Lectures by politicians in a tremendous spirit.

Passing the S.S.L.C. in 1943 moved to Bengaluru. Again in 1947 the Independence Movement had grown up to sky height. During nights, we were pasting the Notices with slogans on the roadside electric poles. The Independence fight had reached a stage.

Then onwards what are all the changes taking place, you yourselves are witnessing. If one Political Party comes forward, another party to fight. Side by side, a turmoil between parties with caste and creed in the background. How the political leaders change their attitudes on the same platform, I remember seeing in a Puppet Show.

In a village, a huge roadside tree fell across the road. The transportation came to a halt. Then a politician emerged. Assembling the villagers, was lecturing on the platform, "See how our people are troubled, I will go as your representative and tell the concerned Amildar or Deputy Commissioner and arrange to shift the tree to the roadside. Or I will appeal to the concerned Minister. If that cannot be solved, I will never give up till I meet Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and explain our difficulties. This must be done,' he was lecturing continuously. The puppets representing the people were nodding their heads, yes, yes.

Then a few people were thinking, if a tree falls in our village, why should we tell all that. It is enough if the tree is pushed to the side. Thinking like that, ten to twelve people got up and tried to push. It was not possible. Seeing that another people joined. It started moving a little. Then some more people came forward. It is a huge tree. Then it was easy to push it aside. One by one left for their home.

The politician saw that side. On the same platform, 'See, we can learn. We can do the work ourselves; we need not seek help from others; I will go to Delhi and explain to Indira Gandhi the same thing' he was lecturing!

The background for the Puppet Show, the late G.P. Rajaratnam and the person who arranged the Show is one of our colleagues in the Coffee Board, the late Narahari Shastry.

## 87. LISTEN AS WIFE TELLS

Always like that. That Constable Sankappa, in our front only his force. Have you not heard the proverb "Controlling thousand horses, a puppet before his wife". See, as suddenly thought, he is coming. What Sankappa, more work. Hi, leave it. Finishing work, I went home. What must my wife tell me? 'I have kept two sarees, Wash and spread for drying'. What she thinks about me.

Then?

Oh, leave it. I washed. Let it go, when I went to Station, that Inspector tells me to go to hotel and bring one Coffee. If I get angry, I am a tiger. I am on duty. What he thinks about me is that Inspector.

Then?

Let it go. I brought coffee!

I am not like that. My wife must listen to me. I have kept her like that. Come today to my house, you can see, said his

friend Shivanna. Sankappa was just entering the house. He heard what Shivanna was shouting at his wife with full force.

Why are you standing simply looking at me. Keep all the cooking vessels outside. His wife kept them out. Keep the brush and tamarind there, should I tell you that also, he blasted. She did that. See how I have kept her. We must not give scope to these women; we must have full control over them; otherwise, they will boss over us. Sankappa was looking at it, laughing inside.

Then?

Then what. I washed all the vessels and kept them inside!

## 88. OFFICE WORK

In Indian offices there are four categories of officers. The Chief Officer, Deputies and Assistants, Clerical staff and Class IV employees. The Class IV workers are bound to work under the guidance of the other three grades. Their education level is below S.S.L.C.

In the Offices of foreign countries, there will not be a Class IV cadre. The employees themselves go to the Chief Officer or Deputies and hand over the files. At times, the Chief Officer himself, after his signature, goes to the employees concerned and hands over the files.

In our Coffee Board, one Chief Officer by name M.C. Satyanarayana who was the Head of the Department of Statistics, was chosen to work as Chief Statistician for the International Coffee Counsel at London. He was a brilliant officer in maintaining statistics. He had the statistics of all coffee growing countries at fingertips.

When he came to Bangalore once, he addressed the Officers and employees of the Coffee Board and explained the working style in foreign countries.

## 89. NEWS ITEMS

Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy participated in a function arranged in Ashburn (Virginia) for a girl for her Graduation. When he was about to return to New Jersey, his blood pressure came below normal. With the help of a few well-wishers, he was admitted to the hospital.

The Medical team of the hospital took immediate care and brought the blood pressure to normal. Let us hope, Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy who has reached one hundred years to stay with good health for a few more years.

Royal Challenge, Bengaluru won after eleven years, for the first time, defeating Punjab Cricket team is really meritorious, but it is a pity it ended with the death and injured of so many audiences.

Chinnasamy Cricket Stadium is enough to accommodate about thirty thousand people. Then I saw the result when two lakhs people rushed in. It is not correct to say that the Police Officers did not effort to control the mob. It is a matter that the top leaders also must think about. It is heard that they were keen on increasing their personal prestige.

## 90. BABY SHOWER – AS I SAW

Baby Shower is a customary program followed agelong mainly in Karnataka, for the pregnant woman in her seventh or eighth month of pregnancy. Mostly this is done by ladies. She will be wearing a green saree on that day. A few married women do Arati and bless her.

The parents distribute Chiguli (made of black sesame) and Thambittu (made of rice flour and jaggery) to all.

I had been to a same type of program in America, arranged for a Hindu pregnant lady. So many invitees (Husband and wife with children) were there. The lady was seated on a chair

and around her, a few cultural activities like songs, dance by young children were going on. This was the main attraction. At the end, there was lunch for all.

Another Baby Shower. It was of a Muslim community. She is a lawyer. We all sit in one office room. That is how we attended that program. This is her first Baby Shower. The function was arranged in the Royal Albert Palace. Several invites participated. She and her husband welcomed the group. They had arranged a few cultural activities like Musical Chair and plays for children. Some ladies and gents wore tissue paper like turban and paraded in front of them.

A group dance was one of the main attractions. I could not control myself and danced with the other two ladies who work with us. Just like our customary, there was no Arati function!






## 91. PURANIC AND SOCIAL DRAMAS

I have seen Mahabharat, Ramayan, Mukta, Mayamruga several times. The first two I have read in book form also.

But are they real ones or concocted stories, a doubt arises. Gandhari had one hundred children, Draupadi married five husbands is not the point. Each character how they have acted remains in my mind. The Bhishma, Krishna, Vidura when we see we experience in our mind, as if they are real.

When I was in Chikmagalur (Karnataka) a Cultural Group had come from Mangalore. In that the artists were College Professors, Bank Managers working in a higher cadre. Some of the scenes of Mahabharat, they enacted wearing ordinary dress only. When we heard the dialogues, we felt they were real Bhishma and Krishna. But this is Puranic story.

But the social TV shows like Mukta, Mayamruga the characters participated in the shows are with us only. Using their skill, prepared in scenic form, the merit goes to Sriman T. N. Seetharam. All the characters in that are special ones. Such people are my contacts, I am proud.

## 92. BU. KR. MURTHY IN HEAVEN!

Bu. Kr. Murthy stood in front of Yama Dharma Raya in heaven, hands folded and smiling. Suddenly, Yama noticed him and said, "Oh! You've come so early? You still have about four more years left. Why, have you had enough of worldly suffering already?"

"No, Lord," he replied. "If I die there, they would have cremated me. That's why I had written a note asking for my mortal body to be sent to a medical school. I arranged it through a lawyer I know."

"You've done a noble thing," said Yama. "Go now and come back after four years. As per the application you submitted earlier, I've reserved a special place for you. It's your own literary world—filled with renowned writers, poets, playwrights, and budding authors. Look over there, your dear friend BeeChi

is already watching you from off far. You'll be able to spend your time in peace. Go, don't worry," Yama reassured him.

Murthy accepted that promise with a smile.

Yama continued speaking, "Even I visit that world once a year, mingle with them for a while. It brings peace to my mind too. I have no time, after all. Do you see that long queue? I have to note down all their names and addresses and let them in. I've hired a thousand clerks just for that, and they don't even get time for food or snacks.

Suddenly, I woke up.

So, it was all a dream! Nagananda was standing next to me. "What's this, sir? Smiling even in your dreams? You usually wake up by 7 and have coffee, but today you've slept till 9. Get up, it's Sunday. We have a couple of hours of work. Let's eat and go," he said.

I immediately got up and headed for a bath.

## 93. ANAJI (PROF. G. ASHWATHANARAYANA) AND I

My acquaintance with Anaji began a few years after I moved to America. Until I came here, I didn't even have a writing habit. After I wrote a couple of works, I needed someone to write a preface for one of my books. That's when the well-known baraha.com Sheshadrivasu Chandrasekharan's father, K.T. Chandrasekharan — a devoted follower of A.N. Krishna Rao — introduced me to Anaji. Even though our houses were nearby, we had never met before. That first meeting gradually blossomed into a close friendship.

Whenever I visited Bangalore once every two years, I would show my writings or books to Anaji and request him to review and edit them. He kindly wrote prefaces for three or four of

my books. Despite his busy schedule, he always made time for me - a fortune I deeply cherish.

Whenever I returned from the U.S. to Bangalore, my first visit was always to Anaji. Some people say they stay home for two days after arriving due to jet lag. I don't suffer from jet lag. Within four to five hours of landing, I'm ready to go out. Spending a little time with Anaji always refreshed my mind.

A few people who moved from Chikmagalur to Bangalore formed an association called the "Chikmagalur Sangha." They occasionally gather in each other's homes for conversations. Anaji once took me along and introduced me to everyone. I even recognized some of their parents from Chikmagalur, which further deepened my bond with Anaji.

On one of my visits to Bangalore, I showed him the draft of my "Bukkambudhi Kannada-English Padakosha" After flipping through a few pages, he said, "Continue working on this. It will turn into great work. I'll help you and even be your co-editor." I was overjoyed — I never imagined that such a respected literary figure would offer me support. In front of someone like him, I still saw myself as a student — not a scholar, nor a man well read. But thanks to Anaji's encouragement and support, my motivation grew, and with each visit to Bangalore, I progressed a little more.

Because of his unwavering support, the Padakosha has now taken shape and is scheduled for release at the upcoming Navika Kannada Conference in the U.S.

You must see Anaji's collection of books at his home. One entire room on the lower floor is filled with them. His reading and writing room is packed with books, and so is his bedroom. The downstairs room is so tightly packed that someone stout can't easily enter! Since I'm slim, I managed to squeeze in sideways on one occasion.

According to his wife, he hasn't been allowed to store books in the kitchen — otherwise, if books end up there too, she'd struggle to find cooking ingredients! Fearing that, he agreed to keep the kitchen book-free, or so the legend goes!

I am approaching the end of my hundred years. Since I still hope to live another four years, I wish for Anaji's enduring friendship and affection always continue.

- Bukkambhudhi Krishnamurthy

## 94. TRAVEL OF GODS TO EARTH

Once Female Gods and Male Gods decided to travel to the Earth. Accordingly, it is known that Female Gods got the first chance. As per the rules, Lakshmi, Parvati and Saraswati descended to Earth. All of them met in a place and started to converse. All were ready to express their problems.

The first narration was reserved for Lakshmi. Her problem was 'You yourselves see. Even if I am allotted to graze the cows, I will do it with pleasure. From work point, I do not have any difference. Whatever the work, do it with devotion to please anyone is my goal. Just because it is that, by pressing the legs of Vishnu, my fingers have swollen. After coming over here I thought that I would get some medicine. Yesterday they gave me an ointment. Till now no improvement. I will stay for one or two days and return,' she said.

By that time, Parvati's problems started. 'I have told my husband several times, "You be at home like anything. Be a Charmambaradhari (With leather skin), but when you come out, should you not wear good dress. I will be ashamed to go with him for any Reception. I came here to be calm for four or six days,' she said.

Saraswati had thought that her problem was great. But after hearing their problems, her problem was not that important, she thought. Still, if she shared her difficulties her mind

may become cooler. What she told is 'when I came here, I believed that there may be all brilliant people on Earth. My understanding became false. I had in mind that if there are seven or eight muffs it would not ne strenuous. But after coming here, I came to know that ninety eight percent are muffs. Let alone that, to see that they think that they are extraordinarily intelligent and walk around turning their heads I felt bad. As early as possible I thought of vacating the place and returning,' she said.

The very next day they got ready to depart. As soon as they left, male Gods with all spirit getting ready to come on Earth. Male Gods means not a small group. It is not three, three hundred Gods! After everyone arrived, the Convocation was set up in a big hall. Balaji is the President for the Assembly. Anjaneya and Garuda were the Security Guards seated at the entrance.

Shrirama, Eashwara, Ganapathi, Narasimha, Channa Keshava, not one or two. After all were seated, the President permitted to talk one by one. The first one was Shrirama. As per his narration, in olden days, Ramanavami means, it is seven days program, Bhajan, Discourse. You must see on Ramanavami Day that Rasayana, Juice of Bela fruit, It was a rejoiceful function. It is my recollection that I had been to that Bukkambudhi village one or two years. Now no Rasayana, no juice. The village itself is in bad shape. I closed my eyes and sat' said Shrirama.

Ganapati was the second one. 'In a year they worship at least once. They kept me for four to five days. Now it is a day's worship. The very day they immerse me in water. That Karigadubu, I myself cannot bite. Then imagine how it could be,' said Ganapati.

The third one who was seated God Narasimha got up 'Earlier days, on the day of Narasimha Jayanti, juice,

Kosumbari, Sugarcane juice, buttermilk. Inviting all, after Pooja were distributing. Now it is difficult to get even water. There is a hamlet near Sringeri (Karnataka) called Anegunda. For the Piple Tree in front of the hamlet, they have erected stones around. On the Narasimha Jayanti Day it is learnt they have arranged to distribute Juice and Buttermilk to all pedestrians' said God Narasimha and sat.

Belur Channakeshava who was sitting quietly hearing said, 'See my fate. People who come to the temple to see me, they see the sculptures of young maidens, take photos enjoy. They do not peep at my side.'

Then Eashwara said 'you must see on Mondays in Kartik Masa, the baked Usali (made of moong whole) and Ellususalu (made of roasted black thil). Now people have forgotten that there are my temples.

The President who was sitting hearing all the complaints and problems shouted in one breath. The President said, 'You all have interest in explaining your own difficulties. Have you enquired about my difficulties till now'. All the Gods were perplexed. If for the President also they are hurting, ours is nothing. All right, let us hear His problems. Saying this, they all sat properly.

Continuing the President said, 'For me there is no one to show mercy. In the early morning at three o'clock only, worshiping starts early morning and it ends only at the night by nine. When I must sleep. There is no rest for me. Let it go, for my Hundi, some evil people had input a cigarette pack and a rifle! The President was about to say something else. By that time, the Security Guards Anjaneya and Garuda rushed in and announced that a group of thieves who rob the statues were coming, go to your places immediately.

The Convocation of Gods came to an end!

## 95. SYSTEMS OF MARRIAGE ARE TRANSFORMED

How the man's mind runs, so the systems change. In those times, on the marriage invitation, their family deity's photo on the top, below that commencing with Venkateshwara Prasanna or Kalabhairava Prasanna, then the Parents of boy or girl's name, date of marriage, time. Then they request the invitees to bless the bride.

This has been transformed now. The photo of boy and the girl standing together hand in hand, as if they were alone inviting relatives and friends. Two or three such invitations have come to me. On the Reception Day, the couples who come as invitees also dance in group. It is a great event.

In the olden systems, as a marriage program, items like ball play etc. between the bride and the bridegroom are just to create closure relationship between the two. The Priest tells them to repeat the words like Ennarasi, Chennarasi or Ennarasa, Cheluvarasa. But now, that relationship between the two is already done much earlier, that system is not necessary at all.

Recently I attended a Punjabi wedding. To conduct the marriage events only there is an organization. They call it as Events Management. Just like our Purohit, the Events Manager conducts the events.

In that Marriage, the Bride and the Bridegroom sat on the chairs facing in opposite direction. The Manager was asking each of them questions. All were inappropriate. 'When did you meet each other. Who loved first, where it commenced, after that when it was decided' all he was shouting through mike. Their replies were also equally inappropriate.

In all these, parents will not come to the picture.

## 96. KIBBETTA BY ARTIST IN DREAM

In New York, America, there was an Artist. His name was B.A. Sapra. If he holds the brush with his fingers, one or the other figure would come up. Everyone was pleased with his artistic talent.



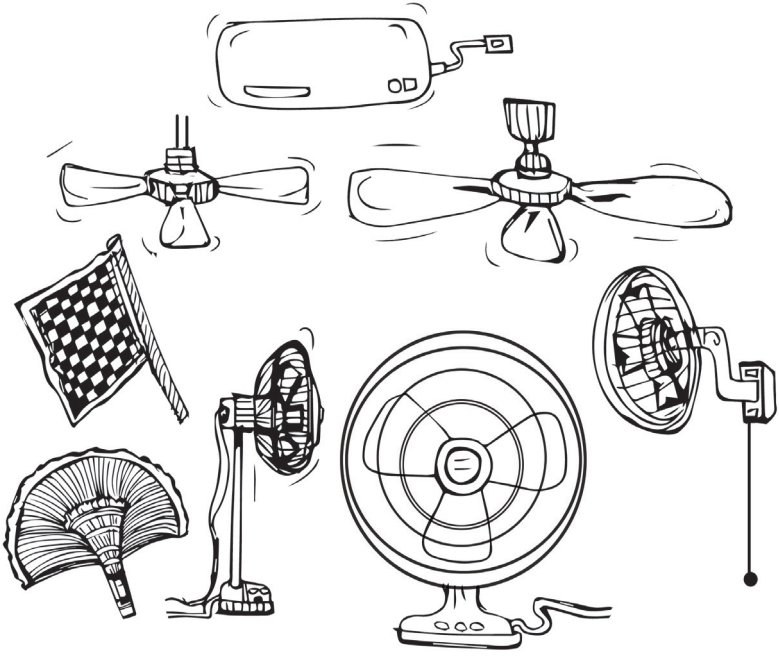
When he goes to any shop and buys, the owner of the shop was not taking money from him. Instead, he asked him to get any figure drawn. The figure of Hill attracted everyone. So, all were asking him to draw the same figure. Then onwards he became famous as Hill Sapra.

If anyone wants to get a figure drawn by him, they used to go and enquire in any other shop if Sapra comes to inform them it had become a common talk throughout New york. Everyone was particular for the figure of Hill only drawn by him and hung on the wall of his shop.

## 97. HAND FAN BOY – GRANDFATHER UNDER ELECTRIC FAN

If they feel sultry inside the house due to sunny weather outside, they were fanning with cloth worn or with cardboard. That is the fan. If smoke in firewood or in Havan Kund fanning air with Fan made of bamboo.

While bridegroom's party sitting in the marriage hall if sultry, boys were fanning air for them with Fan made of a particular type of grass roots. It is known as Lamanca Fan. During the marriages occurred in our village Bukkambudhi



and Thavarekere, I was just a boy, not now, I was fanning like that. All were seated on a big carpet. There were no chairs then. If sprinkle a little water on that Fan, you get smell with fragrance. It is very fine; do fan they were telling. Electricity was not in use then. It is about 1935-39.

Why, during 1953 when I was in Chikmagalur, Karnataka, there was no electricity in our house. All with kerosene oil. We begged the house owner to get us electricity. Mine and neighbors were like twin houses. When that Contractor came and marked where the light points must be, we thought that we would get the lights that day only. But it happened only after six months! That day in our house we made sweat dishes!

Even then there were no electric fans or any other equipment. In some big houses they had electric fans attached

to the roof. Of late, they have equipped with A.C. current. We cannot see where it is. Atmosphere will be cool.

## 98. MARRIAGE ENGAGEMENT

Recently an occasion occurred, Marriage Engagement. The boy and the girl are working together. Still the parents' ambition must arrange the Engagement ceremony. That function was almost like a Marriage only.

One wonderful point is the parents of the girl have kept a small dog. The dog is very beautiful, no doubt. Even for a minute it could not go apart from the girl's father. He was always having the dog on his shoulder while walking here and there. A chair was reserved for the dog along with other invites. Even when he had to sit in the Mantap, he was seating the dog by his side! That is his affection.

The event where Dog had the honor of getting Arathi, is the first and is the last! There was no Kumkum on its forehead!

Whatever be, I took a photo of it.



## 99. HEN WHICH LAID EGG VANISHED

I worked in Central Coffee Research Institute for six years (1959 – 65) near Chikmagalur (Karnataka). It is about 300 acre plot. No entrance for private people. Research officers connected to Coffee plants, 5 or 6 offices, three houses for employees and labors. For family members, full house, for bachelors 4 to 5 in one house. All around Coffee plantation.

Behind our quarters, one employee by name Bakar Ali had four hens in his house. One of them was entering another house through window and laying two eggs on cot. The neighbour who saw, using that for lunch every time. This was going on for months together. One day Bakar Ali saw that hen entering the house.

Next day morning, the hen vanished!

## 100. TEN YEARS

**1926-1936:**

I was born in January 1926. My mother died when I was seven years old. My elder brother and sister in law took me to Mysore for studies in Primary School.

By 1935 end I returned to Chikmagalur (Karnataka)

**1936-1946:**

I studied for four years in Middle School and three years in High School. When in High School, I participated in 1942 Congress Movement and failed in third year high school. After passing SSLC I went to Bangalore to further my education in Typewriting, Shorthand and Accountancy. I got a job in the Coffee Board Central Government organization, as a Typist. The salary was a little higher than the State Government jobs. I had completed just eighteen years and got married!

**1946-1956:**

In 1949 I was transferred to Chikmagalur. My first son Prabhakar was born in 1950. While in Chikmagalur, a few of my friends together formed a Cultural Organization in the name of Youth League. We staged about six dramas. When we staged a drama in Ajjampur where a state level competition was conducted, I got third prize. In 1953, my two children (twins), Indu and Sridhara were born.

**1956-1966:**

In 1957 I was transferred to Bangalore. We staged a drama, Ashadhabhooti where a few of my officers also participated and it was well appreciated by one and all. I was promoted as Stenographer and transferred to Coffee Research Station in Balehonnur (Karnataka). I used to accompany the Director of Research and travelled to many of the Coffee estates. My last son Ananda was born in 1961. I was transferred back to Bangalore in 1965. I came in touch with the Mahabodhi Society and served for nearly thirty years. Construction of my house in Jayanagar commenced in 1965 and completed in 1966.

**1966-1976:**

From 1967 I came in contact with Dr. D.S. Shivananda who was a Professor at Bangalore University. We have been friends for fifty years. I was compelled to take up the job of typing the M.Ed. thesis of his students. In 1974 my daughter got married. Just ten days after my father died at the age of 95. In 1976, my wife and I took a long tour, visiting so many places in Karnataka, Goa, Mumbai, Ellora and Ajanta, Hyderabad and Secunderabad.

**1976-1986:**

Prabhakar and Sridhar were married in 1978 and 1979. In 1980 when my wife and I planned another tour, she had a paralytic stroke while in Madras. We had to cancel further travel and return to Bangalore. In 1984 I retired from the Coffee Board Service. After retirement, I worked in one or two organizations.

**1986-1996:**

In 1993 I fell down from a bus and my hip bone got fractured. I was admitted to K.T. Surendra's clinic. They inserted a steel ball and a rod. To be able to stay in, I am having it inside. After that also, I travelled quite a lot. In 1993 my son Ananda got married. In 1994, my dear wife Chinnamma died after a spell of fourteen years.

**1996-2006:**

In 1997 my daughter Indira Purushotham who was in New York USA sponsored me, and I came to the USA as a dependent parent. I was a Green Card holder. During 1997 I travelled to many States in America. I worked as Volunteer in two hospitals. In 1998 I was introduced to Mr. L. Nagananda who was an Immigration Lawyer. He accepted me and I have been working with him for the past twenty-eight years. In 2003 I became a Citizen of United States of America.

**2006-2016:**

In 2006 I visited Sydney (Australia) when all my children joined there and observed my Eighty years Birthday.

**2016-2026:**

In 2016 my children observed Kanakabhisheka for me since my grandson Ashoka had a baby, that is my great grandchild Gargi. In 2025 I completed 100 years of my age.

During the 28 years of gap, I had an opportunity to visit several countries, Australia, New Zealand, Bahama and Hawaii islands, Canada, Dubai, Peru, Galapagos, Puerto Rico, and Egypt, in India Rajasthan Gujarat, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Dieu Island, Sri Lanka and Varanasi.

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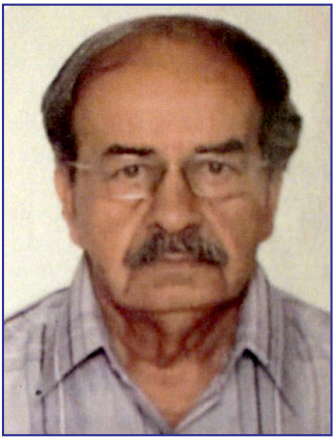
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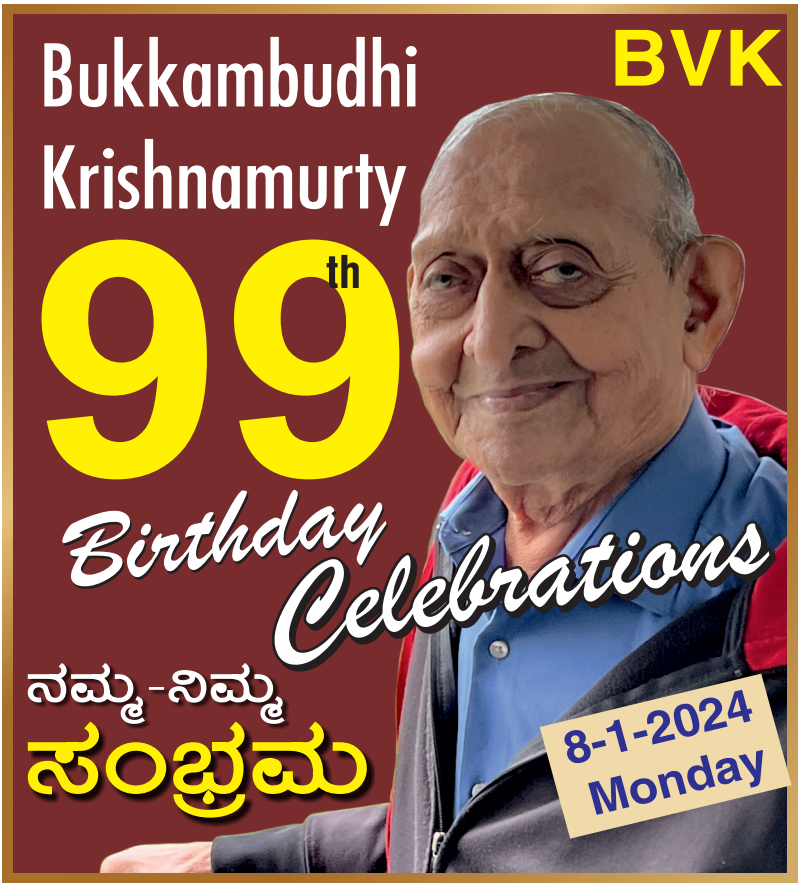

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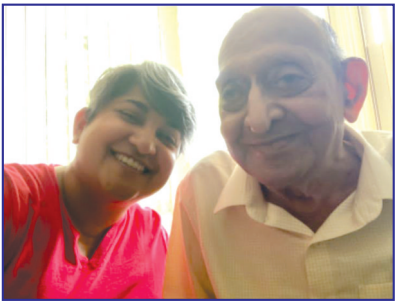





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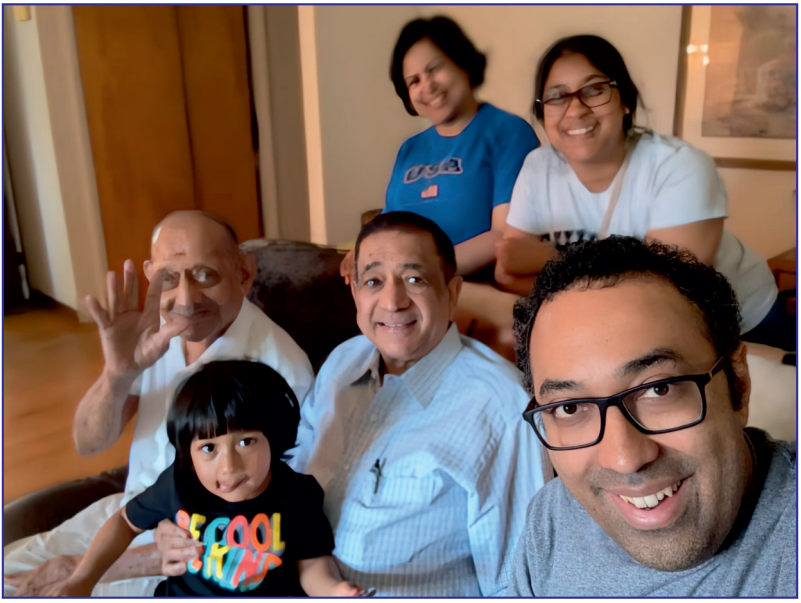

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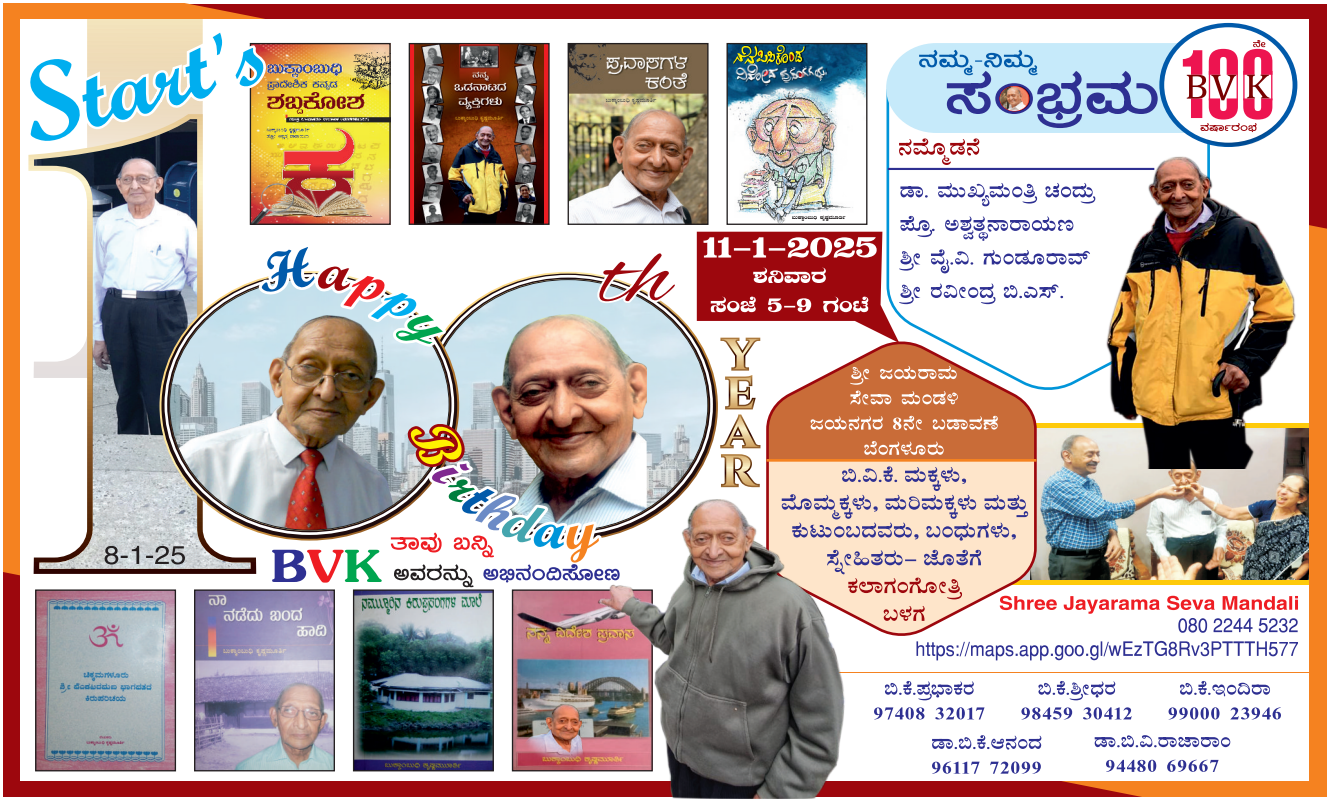









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## Dance by : B.K. and Naga at New Jersey - June 2025











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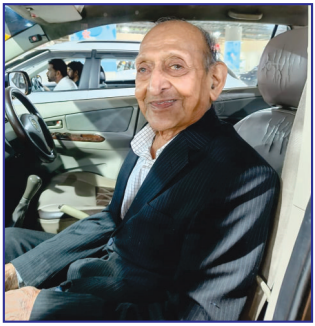




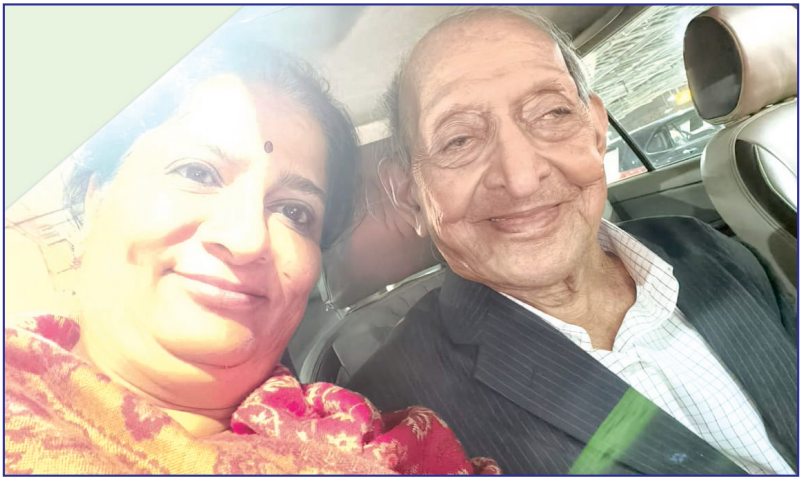




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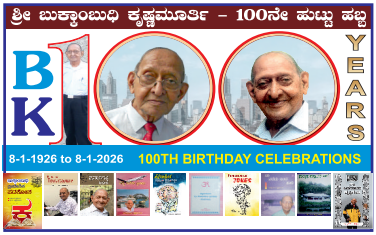













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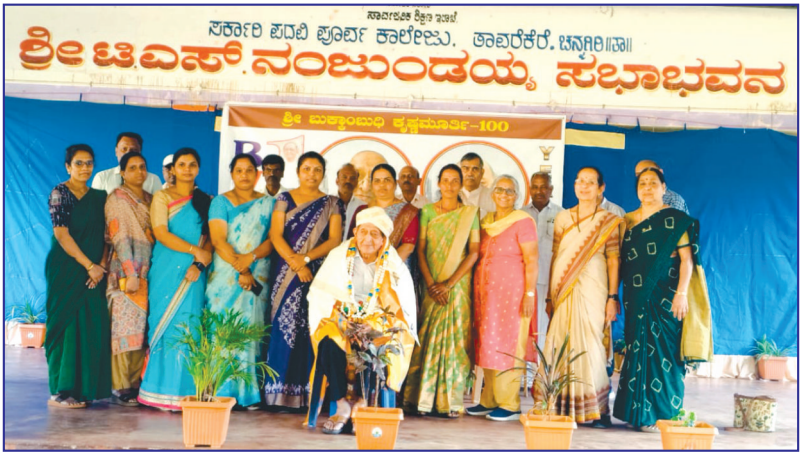
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**ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ.ಎಂ. ಗಿರೀಶ್**, ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಎಸ್‌ಡಿಎಂಸಿ
**ಶ್ರೀ ಅಂಗೇಶ್‌ಮೂರ್ತಿ ಜಿ.ಪಿ.**, ಹಿರಿಯ ಸಹ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು
**ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ.ಜಿ. ಧನಂಜಯ ಮೇಷ್ಟು**
**ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ.ಎಂ. ದೇವರಾಜ, ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ.ಎನ್. ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ್**
ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆ : **ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಇಂದಿರಾ ಜಿ.ಕೆ.**

ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಬನ್ನಿ ಹಿರಿಯರನ್ನು ಅಭಿನಂದಿಸೋಣ
**ಹಿರಿಯ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಸಂಘ , ಶಾಲಾ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು,**
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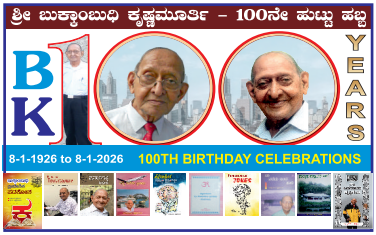






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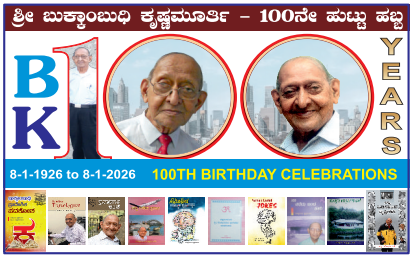













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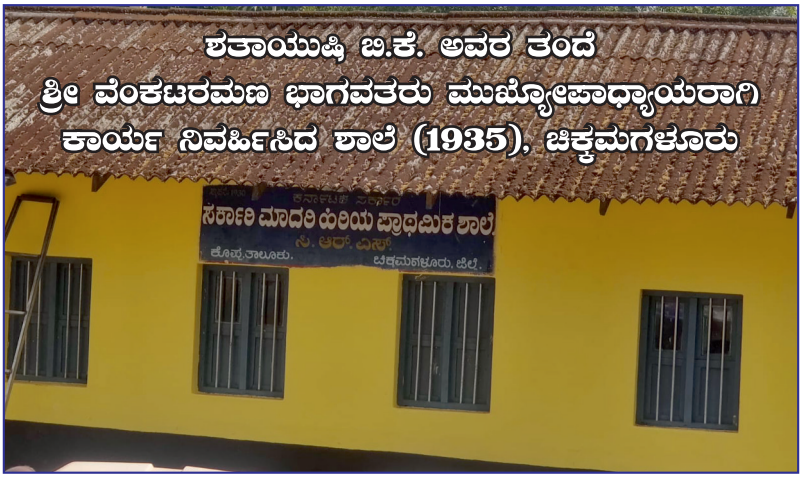











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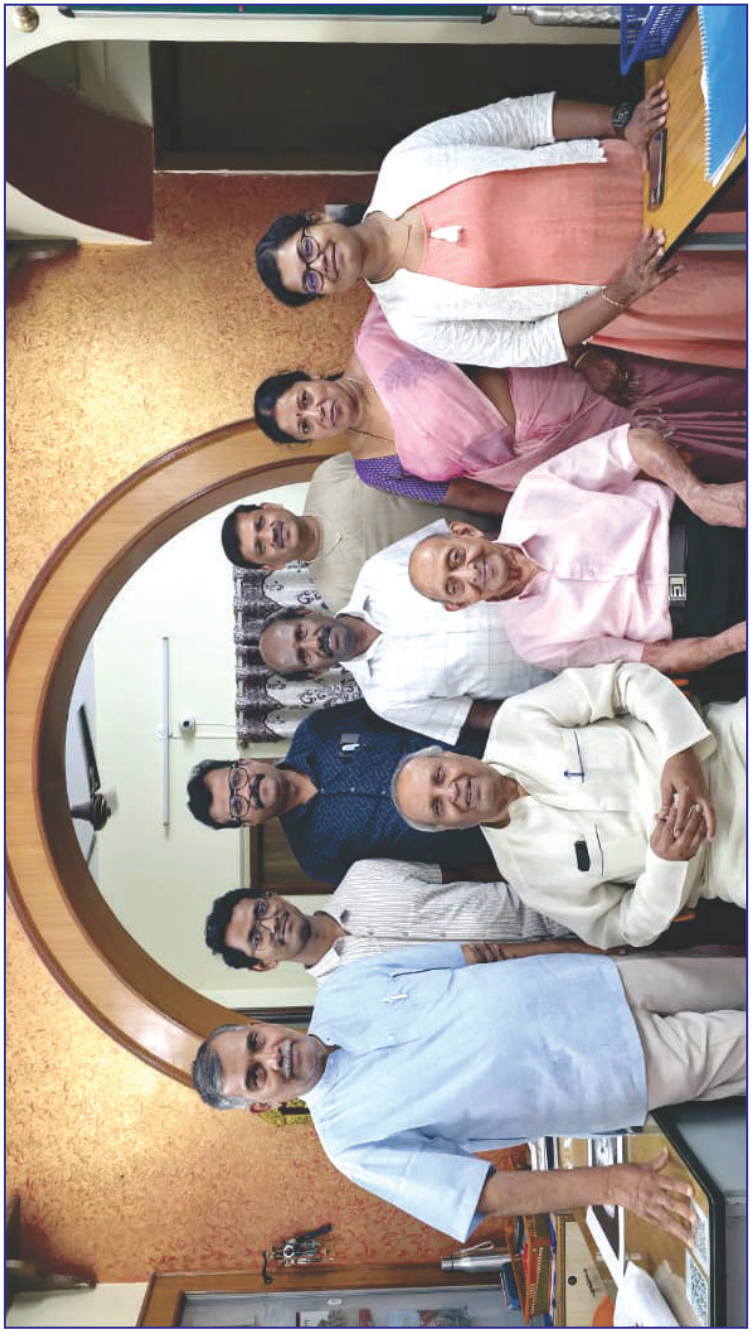


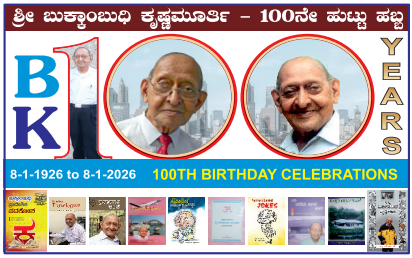













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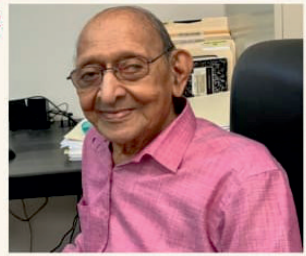
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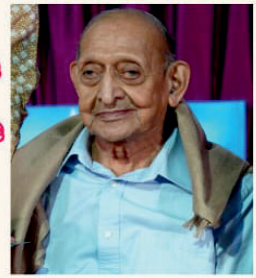
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ನಮ್ಮ-ನಿಮ್ಮ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ




**ದಿನಾಂಕ : 8–1–2026, ಗುರುವಾರ, ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 9 ರಿಂದ 12 ಗಂಟೆ**

**ಸ್ಥಳ : 'ಮಹದಾನಂದ ಕೃಪ'**, ನಂ. 296, 17ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಜಯನಗರ 'ಟಿ' ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು – 560 041,

ವಿಶೇಷ ಅತಿಥಿ : **ಶ್ರೀ ಎಲ್. ನಾಗಾನಂದ,** ಸಿ.ಪಿ.ಎ., ಅಮೆರಿಕ




ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಬನ್ನಿ
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ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಗಾಯತ್ರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ಕೆ. ಶ್ರೀಧರ
ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಅನುರಾಧ ಮತ್ತು ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ಕೆ. ಆನಂದ
ಡಾ. ಸಂಧ್ಯಾವಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ಡಾ. ಬಿ.ವಿ.ರಾಜಾರಾಂ

# ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ – 100 ಹುಟ್ಟು ಹಬ್ಬ








YEARS

**8-1-1926 to 8-1-2026** **100th Birthday Celebrations**



## ಶ್ರೀ
## ದೇವತಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳು



**ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ** ಅವರು ಭಗವದನುಗ್ರಹ ಮತ್ತು ಗುರು–ಹಿರಿಯರ ಹಾರೈಕೆಯಿಂದ ತಮ್ಮ 100ನೇ ವರ್ಷದ ಹುಟ್ಟುಹಬ್ಬದ ಹೊಸ್ತಿಲಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈ ಹುಟ್ಟು ಹಬ್ಬದ ಆಚರಣೆ ನಮಗೂ ಮತ್ತು ನಿಮಗೂ ತುಂಬ ಸಂತಸ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ ತಂದಿದೆ.

**ತತ್ಸಂಬಂಧವಾಗಿ ಗುರುಗಳ ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಆರಂಭಿಸಿ**
**ರುದ್ರಾಭಿಷೇಕವನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಹೋಮಗಳನ್ನು**
**ಶ್ರೀ ರವಿಶಂಕರ ಶರ್ಮ, ಶ್ರೀ ಗಣೇಶ ಶರ್ಮ** ಅವರು ನಡೆಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.
**ಪೂರ್ಣಾಹುತಿ** – ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 12.30ಕ್ಕೆ

ವೇದ ಪಾರಾಯಣಗಳನ್ನು **RAGA** ತಂಡದವರು ನಡೆಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

**ಸ್ಥಳ : ಶ್ರೀ ಜಯರಾಮ ಸೇವಾ ಮಂಡಳಿ,** ಜಯನಗರ 8 ನೇ ಬಡಾವಣೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು
**ದಿನಾಂಕ : 9–1–2026, ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ, ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 7.30 ಗಂಟೆ ಇಂದ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ.**
ಭೋಜನ : ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 1 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ

ತಾವುಗಳು ಬಂದು ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಕ್ರಿಯವಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿ ದೇವರ ಅನುಗ್ರಹಕ್ಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಶತಾಯುಷಿಯವರ ಆಶೀರ್ವಾದಕ್ಕೆ ಪಾತ್ರರಾಗಬೇಕೆಂದು ವಿನಂತಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ.

**ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಬನ್ನಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿ**
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8-1-1926 to 8-1-2026 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

## ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಅವರ 100ನೇ ಹುಟ್ಟುಹಬ್ಬದ ಸಂತಸ

ನಮ್ಮ-ನಿಮ್ಮ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ

ದಿನಾಂಕ : 10–1–2026, ಶನಿವಾರ, ಸಂಜೆ 5 – 9 ಗಂಟೆ

ಸ್ಥಳ : ಶ್ರೀ ಜಯರಾಮ ಸೇವಾ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಜಯನಗರ 8ನೇ ಬಡಾವಣೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

### ಪುಸ್ತಕ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ

1. ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶ
2. ನೂರು-ಜೂರು-ಪಾರು
3. Waves of Thoughts

### ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳು

ಪಿಟೀಲು ವಾದನ :
ಡಾ. ಆರ್. ರಘುರಾಮ್
ಶ್ರೀ ಆನೂರು ದತ್ತಾತ್ರೇಯಶರ್ಮ

ರಂಗ ಸಂಗೀತ :
ಶ್ರೀ ಕಿರಗಸೂರು ರಾಜಪ್ಪ
ಶ್ರೀ ಗೋವಿಂದೇಗೌಡ
ಶ್ರೀ ಲೋಕೇಶ್

### ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅತಿಥಿಗಳು

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್.ಎಸ್. ಮೀನಾಕ್ಷಿಸುಂದರಮ್, ಐಎಎಸ್ ನಿವೃತ್ತ
ಡಾ. ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣನ್, ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಸಿ.ಬಿ.ಪಿ.ಎ.
ಶ್ರೀ ಎಲ್. ನಾಗಾನಂದ, ಸಿ.ಪಿ.ಎ., ನ್ಯೂಜೆರ್ಸಿ

ನಮ್ಮೊಡನೆ : ಡಾ. ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿ ಚಂದ್ರು
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ಶ್ರೀ ಎ.ವಿ. ಸೂರ್ಯನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ
ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ.ಎನ್. ಸೀತಾರಾಮ್
ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ಆರ್. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಣ್‌ರಾವ್
ಶ್ರೀ ವೈ.ವಿ. ಗುಂಡೂರಾವ್
ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ಎಸ್. ರವೀಂದ್ರ
ಶ್ರೀ ಮೇಲುಕೋಟೆ ಮುರಳೀಧರ್

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8-1-1926 to 8-1-2026 **100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

## ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಅವರ 100ನೇ ಹುಟ್ಟುಹಬ್ಬದ ಸಂತಸ

ನಮ್ಮ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ

ದಿನಾಂಕ : 11–1–2026, ಭಾನುವಾರ, ಸಂಜೆ 5 – 9 ಗಂಟೆ

ಸ್ಥಳ : ಶ್ರೀ ಜಯರಾಮ ಸೇವಾ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಜಯನಗರ 8ನೇ ಬಡಾವಣೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

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1971-2026
56 ರಂಗವರ್ಷಗಳು

## ಕಲಾಗಂಗೋತ್ರಿ ತಂಡದ 56ನೇ ರಂಗ ವರ್ಷದ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆ

ಹಿರಿಯ ನಟರು ಮತ್ತು ಶತಾಯುಷಿ
ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಅವರಿಂದ

**ನೂರರ ಜೀವನಕ್ಕೆ ರಂಗ ನಮನ**

ಹಾಡನ
ವಾಚನ
ವಾದನ
ಗಾಯನ
ನರ್ತನ
ನಟನ
ಭೋಜನ

ನಮ್ಮೊಡನೆ

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಲ್. ನಾಗಾನಂದ
ಡಾ. ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿ ಚಂದ್ರು
ಶ್ರೀ ದತ್ತಣ್ಣ
ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ.ಎಸ್. ನರಸಿಂಹಮೂರ್ತಿ
ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ.ವಿ. ಅರುಣ್
ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಜಿ. ಕಪ್ಪಣ್ಣ
ಡಾ. ಪ್ರಕಾಶ್
ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಮನಾಥ್
ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಮೇಷ್ಟ್ರು

ಥಟ್ ಅಂತ ಹೇಳಿ:
ಡಾ. ನಾ. ಸೋಮೇಶ್ವರ
ಶ್ರೀ ಪುರುಷೋತ್ತಮ್

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ಕಲಾಗಂಗೋತ್ರಿ ಬಳಗ
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## ANNADANA PROGRAM

for Devotees
On 10-1-2026 at 12 noon
by: **Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy**
on his
**100th Birthday Celebrations**
at **Sri Jayarama Seva Mandali,**
8th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru

## SANGHADANA PROGRAM

- Alms giving for ven. monks
On 11-1-2026 at 11.30 a.m.
by: **Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy**
on his
**100th Birthday Celebrations**
at **Maha Bodhi Society**
Gandhi Nagar, Bengaluru - 9

## K.B. - 100th Birthday 3 Day Tour Report

# ಪ್ರವಾಸದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ

ಡಿಸೆಂಬರ 19,20 ಮತ್ತು 21 ಮೂರು ದಿನ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಸದಸ್ಯರೊಂದಿಗೆ ತಾವರೆಕೆರೆ, ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಬಾಳೆಹೊನ್ನೂರಿನ ಪ್ರವಾಸ ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದರು. ಇದೊಂದು ಅವಿಸ್ಮರಣೀಯ ಪ್ರವಾಸ ನಿಜ.

ಈ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಸ್ಥಳಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ವಿಭಿನ್ನ ಬಗೆಯ ಸನ್ಮಾನ ಒದಗಿ ಬಂದಿತು.

ತಾವರೆಕೆರೆಯ ಹಿರಿಯ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಶಾಲೆಯ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕರು, ಅಧ್ಯಾಪಕರು ಹಾಗೂ ಅನೇಕ ಬೆಂಬಲಿಗರು ಸೇರಿ ಶಾಲೆಯ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಸಮ್ಮುಖದಲ್ಲಿ ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ಸನ್ಮಾನ ಮಾಡಿದರು. ಶಾಲೆಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳಿಗೆ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರ ಕೊಡುಗೆಯನ್ನು ಮೆಚ್ಚಿದ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕರು, ಶಾಲೆಯ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಭಿಕರಿಗೆ ಶತಾಯುಷಿಗಳ ಹಿತವಚನಗಳನ್ನು ಆಲಿಸುವ ಅವಕಾಶವನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸಿದರು.

ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ತಾವರೆಕೆರೆಯ ಸಮೀಪದಲ್ಲಿ ಇರುವ ನಮ್ಮ ಗ್ರಾಮ. ನಮ್ಮ ತಾಯಿಯ ತವರೂರು ಮತ್ತು ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆ, ತಾತ ಸಹ ಹಲವಾರು ವರ್ಷ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ನೆಲೆಸಿದ್ದ ಸ್ಥಳ. ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷ ತುಂಬಿದ ಶ್ರೀ ಚೆನ್ನಕೇಶವ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನದ ಪ್ರಾಕಾರದಲ್ಲಿ, ಅದೇ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷ ತುಂಬಿದ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸನ್ಮಾನವನ್ನು ಏರ್ಪಡಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಗ್ರಾಮಸ್ಥರು, ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥರು, ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಿಕ ಓದುತ್ತಿದ್ದ ನನ್ನ ಸಹಪಾಠಿಗಳು (3 ಜನ) ಕೂಡ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿದ್ದು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿಶೇಷ. ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿದ್ದ ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೆ ಭೋಜನದ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರು. 20–12–2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ.

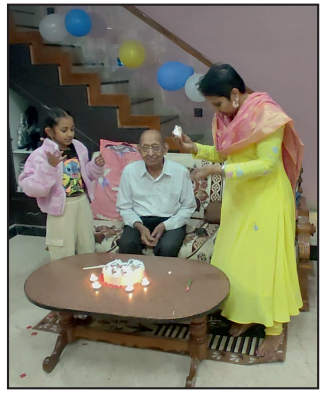
ತದನಂತರ ನಾವು ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿಯಿಂದ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿಗೆ ಪಯಣಿಸಿದೆವು. 20–12–2025 ಸಂಜೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನ ಬಸವನಹಳ್ಳಿಯ ಶಂಕರಮಠದ ಸಭಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರಿಗೆ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸನ್ಮಾನ ಸಮಾರಂಭವನ್ನು ಏರ್ಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಅವರ ಸಹೋದ್ಯೋಗಿಗಳ ಮಕ್ಕಳು, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನ ಬಂಧು ಬಾಂಧವರು, ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳು, ಕಾವ್ಯಾಸಕ್ತರು ಆಗಮಿಸಿ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರ ಪುಸ್ತಕಗಳ ಪರಿಚಯ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಲೇಖಕರನ್ನು ಸನ್ಮಾನಿಸಿದ್ದು ಅವಿಸ್ಮರಣೀಯ.

21–12–2025, ಭಾನುವಾರ ಪ್ರಾತಃಕಾಲದ ಲಘು ಉಪಹಾರದ ನಂತರ ಬಾಳೆಹೊನ್ನೂರಿಗೆ ಹೊರಟೆವು. ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾಫೀ ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಲವಾರು ವರ್ಷ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರು ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಈಗ ಆ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವ ಸಮಾರಂಭ ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅದೇ ದಿನ ಶತಾಯುಷಿಗಳಾದ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರು ಆ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿದ್ದು ಎಲ್ಲ ಕಾರ್ಯಕರ್ತರಿಗೂ, ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರಿಗೂ ಅತ್ಯಾನಂದ. ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದ ಮಧ್ಯೆ ಇವರಿಗೆ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸನ್ಮಾನದ ಮೂಲಕ ಎಲ್ಲ ಸಭಿಕರಿಗೆ ಹಿತವಚನಗಳನ್ನು ನುಡಿಯಲು ಪ್ರೋತ್ಸಾಹಿಸಿದರು. ಈ ಘಟನೆ ನ ಭೂತೋ ನ ಭವಿಷ್ಯತಿ ಎನ್ನುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಕ್ಷಿ.

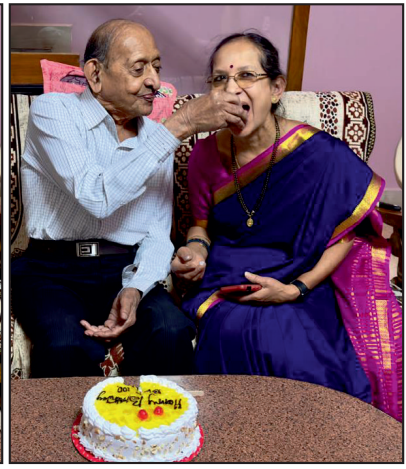
**–ಬಿ.ಕೆ. ಪ್ರಭಾಕರ**

## 8th Jan - Birthday Function at Mahadananda Krupa

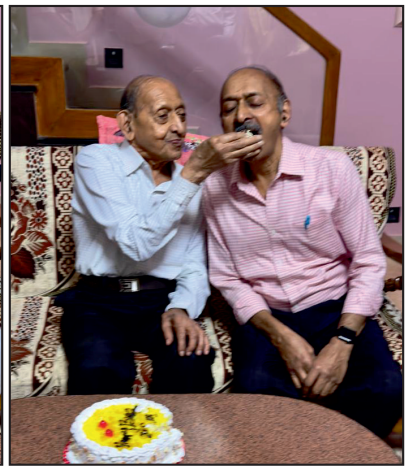













Centenarian at Work


Happy Birthday
BVR.100







## 9th Jan - Function at Jayarama Seva Mandali











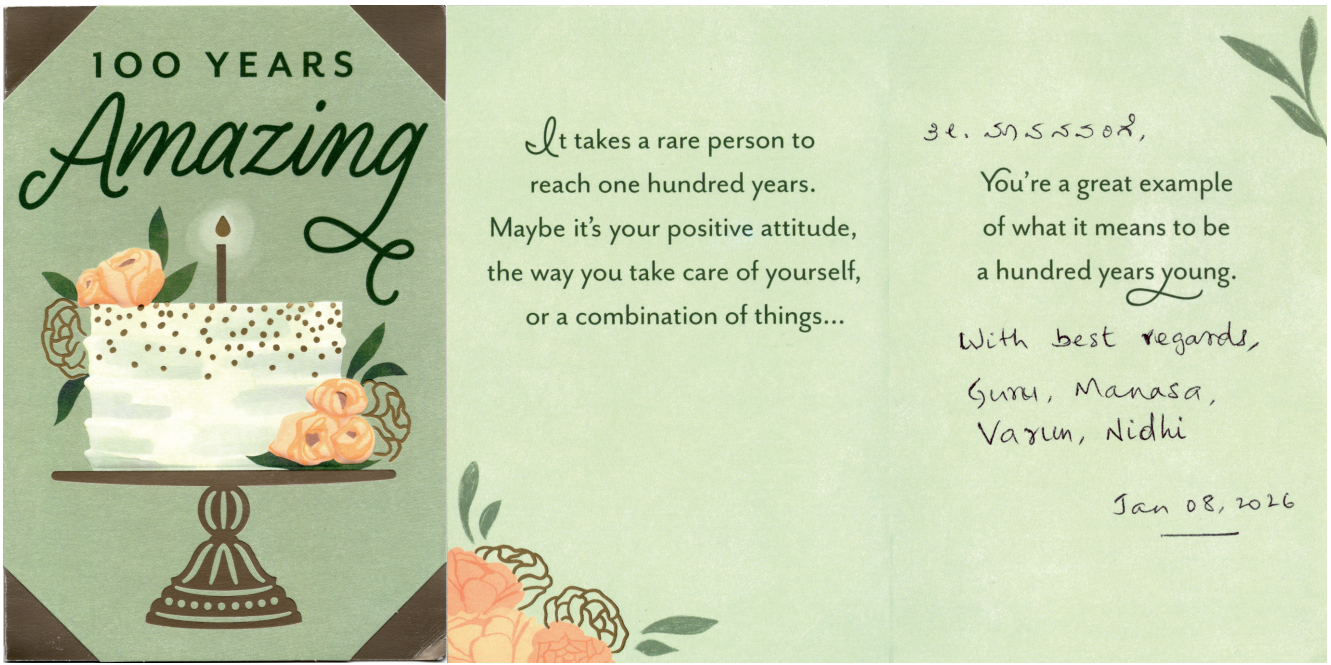


## 10th Jan - Annadana at Jayarama Seva Mandali








100 YEARS
Amazing
It takes a rare person to
reach one hundred years.
Maybe it's your positive attitude,
the way you take care of yourself,
or a combination of things...
You're a great example
of what it means to be
a hundred years young.
With best regards,
Guru, Manasa,
Varun, Nidhi
Jan 08, 2026

## 10th Jan - Function at Jayarama Seva Mandali



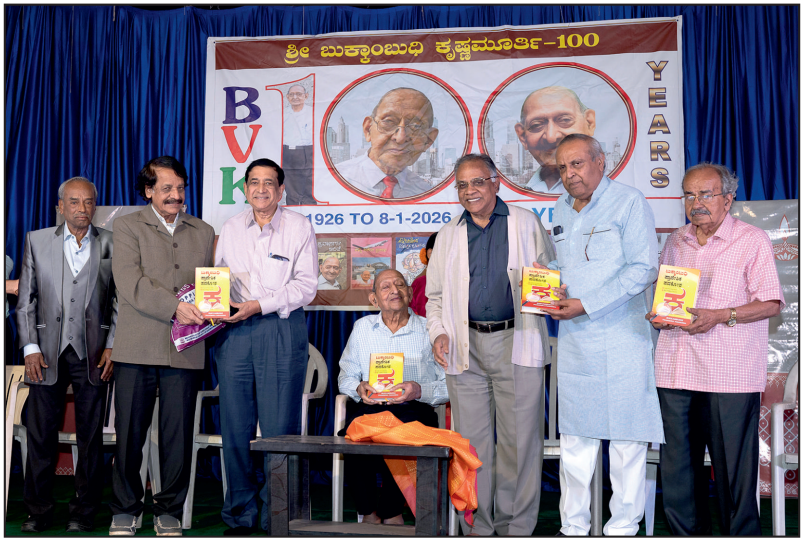

Remembered
JOKES
Remembered JOKES
Bundle of
Travelogues
Life
is like a
greatest
show
on earth
Good Morning!!!

## 10th Jan - Function at Jayarama Seva Mandali








ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ–100
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YEARS
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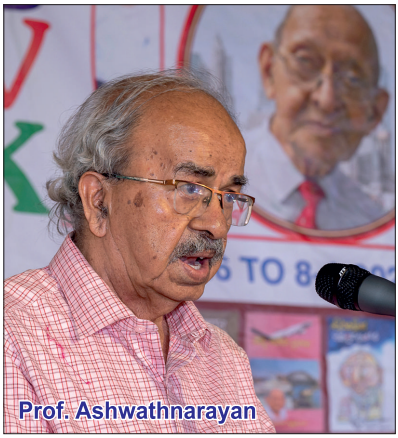









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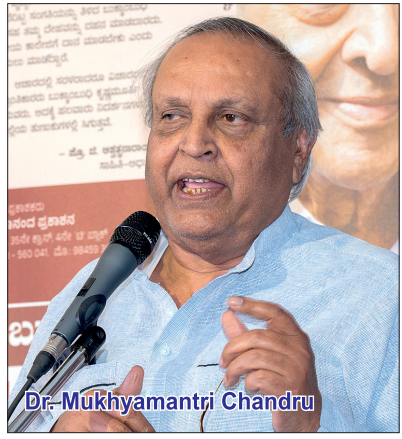

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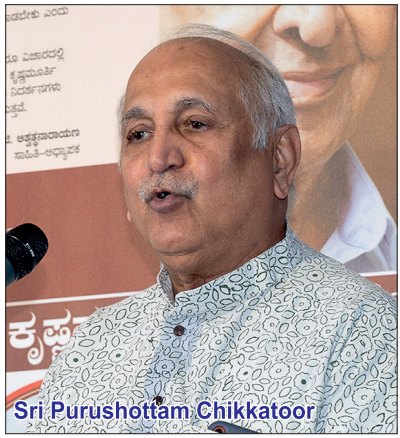

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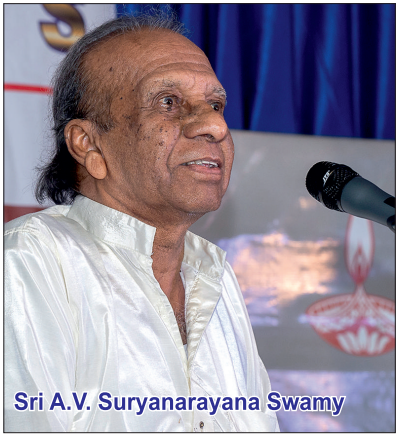

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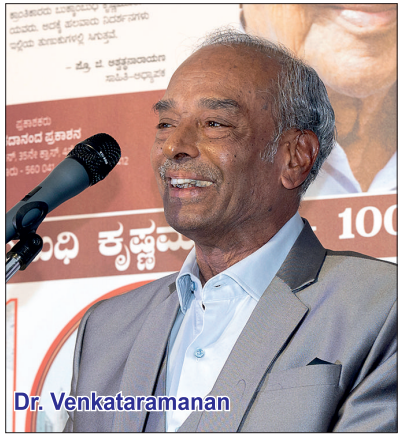

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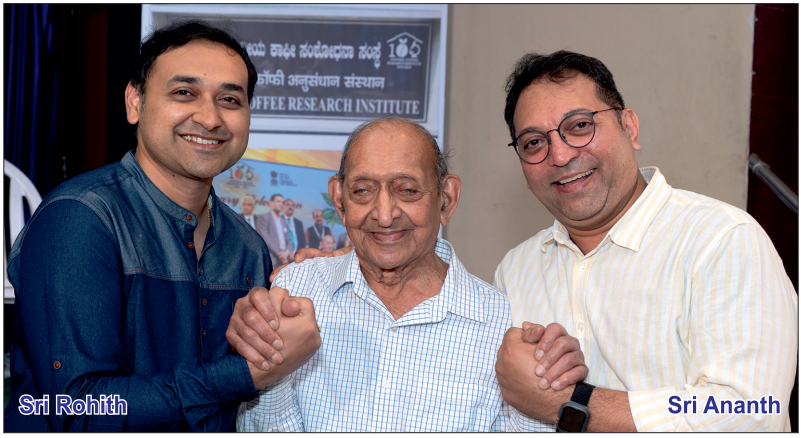

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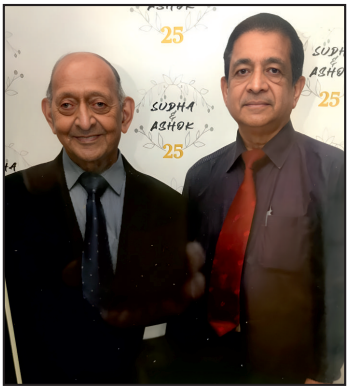

Dr. Venkataramanan



Sri Rohith

Sri Ananth






Maha Bodhi Society, Bengaluru

# Welcome to

**Shri Bukambudhi Krishnamurthy ji & Shri Nagananda ji, USA**

On the occasion of

100th Birthday of

## SHRI BUKKAMBUDHI KRISHNAMURTHY

Blessing ceremony 11-01-2026

Maha Bodhi Society, Bengaluru

100 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

## CENTENARY BIRTH CELEBRATION

### 100 Blessed Years Upāsaka
### Sri Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy

**A life adorned with faith, service, and devotion to the Dhamma**

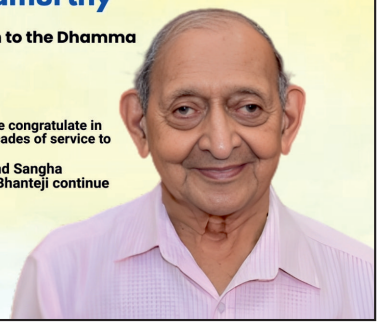
**11-01-2026**

On this sacred occasion of completing 100 meaningful years, we congratulate in deep gratitude for a life lived in humility and humour and four decades of service to Maha Bodhi Society.

May the boundless blessings of the Buddha, Dhamma, and Sangha and the compassionate grace of Āchārya Buddharakkhita Badā Bhanteji continue to protect, guide, and uplift you!

With loving wishes for
good health, serenity of mind, and long life.

~President, members and
devotees of Maha Bodhi Society, Bengaluru










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## 11th Jan - Function at Maha Bodhi Society









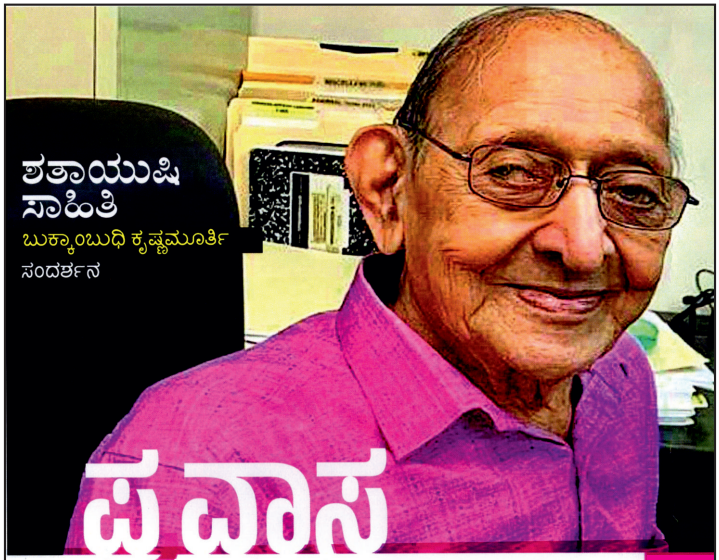



Sanghadana offered by
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BIRTHDAY
08.01.2026
WITH BEST WISHES FROM
CBPA
V.KRISHNAMURTHY
PURE
SILVER
COFFEE BOARD
PENSIONERS
ASSSOCIATION

ಬರವಣಿಗೆ ನನಗೆ ಅತೀವ ಆನಂದವನ್ನು ನೀಡಿದೆ. ಇದೀಗ ನಾನು ನನ್ನ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಅನುಭವದ ಕತೆಯು ತುಣುಕುಗಳನ್ನು 'ನೂರು ಜೂರು ಸಾರು' ಕೃತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ನೂರು ವಿಷಯಗಳ ಕುರಿತು ಬರೆದಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಈ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆದ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ವಿವರಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಪೆಂಶನ್‌ಗೆ 'ಬುಕ್ಕಾಯುಧಿ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶ' ಕೃತಿ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದು, ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ೮ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಳಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದ ನಮ್ಮ ಭಾಷೆಯ ಕುರಿತು ವಿವರಣೆ ನೀಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ.



ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಸಾಹಿತಿ
ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ
ಸಂದರ್ಶನ

# ಪ್ರವಾಸ ಮತ್ತು ಬರವಣಿಗೆ ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಸಂತೋಷವಾಗಿಟ್ಟಿದೆ

• ರಾಜೇಶ್ ತೆಟ್ಟಿ

ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಮೂಲದ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ಜನವರಿ 8ರಂದು 100 ವರ್ಷ ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಂಡಿದೆ. ತನ್ನ 72ನೇ ವಯಸ್ಸಿಗೆ ಅಮೆರಿಕಾಗೆ ಹೋಗಿ ಈಗಲೂ ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ಹೋಗಿ ದುಡಿಯುತ್ತಿರುವ ಹುಮ್ಮಸ್ಸಿನ ಸಾಹಿತಿ ಇವರು. ಇದೀಗ ಇವರ 'ನೂರು ಚೂರು ಪಾರು' ಮತ್ತು 'ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶ' ಮತ್ತು ನೂರು ಚೂರು ಪಾರು ಕೃತಿಯ ಇಂಗ್ಲಿಷ್ ಅನುವಾದ 'ವೇವ್ಸ್ ಆಫ್ ಥಾಟ್ಸ್' ಎಂಬ ಮೂರು ಕೃತಿಗಳು ಇಂದು ಬಿಡುಗಡೆಯಾಗುತ್ತಿವೆ. ಈ ಹಿನ್ನೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರ ಜೊತೆ ಮಾತುಕತೆ.

**ನಿಮ್ಮ ಉತ್ಸಾಹದ ಗುಟ್ಟು?**

ಸರಳ ಬದುಕು, ಸರಳ ಆಹಾರ, ಕ್ರಮಬದ್ಧ ಬದುಕು. ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ ಎದ್ದು ನಾನೇ ತಿಂಡಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನಕ್ಕೆ ಅಡುಗೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಡೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಡೆದುಕೊಂಡೇ ಮನೆಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಸರಳ ಬದುಕೇ ನನ್ನ ಹುಮ್ಮಸ್ಸಿಗೆ ಕಾರಣ.

**ಶತಾಯುಷಿಯಾದರೂ ದುಡಿಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದೀರಿ, ಏನು ಕಾರಣ?**

ಉಲ್ಲಾಸದಿಂದ ಇರಬೇಕಾದರೆ, ಆರೋಗ್ಯವಾಗಿರಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಲೇಬೇಕು. ನಾನು ಕಚೇರಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾತ್ರವೇ ಅಲ್ಲ, ನನ್ನ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನೂ ನಾನೇ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ನಾನು ಅದನ್ನೇ ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿ, ಸುಮ್ಮನೆ ಕುಳಿತು ಕಾಲಹರಣ ಮಾಡಬೇಡಿ.

**ನೀವು ಅಮೆರಿಕಾ ಹೋಗಿದ್ದು ಯಾವಾಗ, ಯಾಕೆ?**

ನನ್ನ ಮೂಲ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು. ನಾನು ಕಾಫಿ ಬೋರ್ಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದೆ. ಆಷ್ಟೇ ಅಲ್ಲದೇ ಹಲವು ಸಂಘ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆಕೌಂಟ್ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನೂ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದೆ. 1994ರಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಪತ್ನಿ ಚಿನ್ನಮ್ಮ ತೀರಿಕೊಂಡಳು. ಮಕ್ಕಳು ವಿದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದರು. ಹಾಗಾಗಿ ನಾನು 1997ರಲ್ಲಿ ಅಮೆರಿಕಾದ ಮಗಳ ಮನೆಗೆ ಬಂದೆ. ತಿರುಗಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಹೋಗುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದ್ದರೆ ಸುಮ್ಮನಿರಬಹುದಿತ್ತು. ಇಲ್ಲೇ ಇರಲು ಬಂದಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸ ಹುಡುಕಕೊಡಗಿದೆ. ಇಲ್ಲಿ ನ್ಯೂಯಾರ್ಕ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ಯೋಗಾನಂದ ಅವರು ಇಮಿಗ್ರೇಷನ್ ಲಾಯರ್‌ಮತ್ತು ಸಿಪಿಎ ಆಗಿ ಒಂದು ಕಚೇರಿ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅವರಲ್ಲಿ ಹೋಗಿ ಕೇಳಿಕೊಂಡೆ. ಸದ್ಯ ಅವಕಾಶ ಇಲ್ಲ, ಅವಕಾಶ ಇದ್ದಾಗ ಕರೆಯುತ್ತೇನೆ ಎಂದರು. ನಾನು ಅವರು ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಸಾಗಹಾಕಲು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಅಂದುಕೊಂಡೆ. ನಾನು ಅಮೆರಿಕಾಗೆ ಹೋದಾಗಲೇ ನನಗೆ 72 ವರ್ಷ ಆಗಿತ್ತು. ವಯಸ್ಸಾದವರಿಗೆ ಯಾರು ಕೆಲಸ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ ಅವರು ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಮತ್ತೆ ಕರೆದರು. ನನಗೆ ಆಕೌಂಟ್, ಟೈಪಿಂಗ್ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಬರುತ್ತಿತ್ತು. ಹಾಗಾಗಿ ಅವರು ನನಗೆ ಟ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್ ಕುರಿತ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಕಲಿಸಿದರು. ನನಗೆ ದೇಶಗಳನ್ನು ಸುತ್ತುವ ಆಸೆ ಬಹಳ ಇತ್ತು. ಹಾಗಾಗಿ ಇಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಉಳಿದುಕೊಂಡೆ. ಈಗಲೂ ಪ್ರವಾಸ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಿರುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಅಡ್ವೆಂಚರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಬಹಳಷ್ಟು ಮಂದಿ ಆಚ್ಚರಿ ಪಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಾನು ಮುಗುಳ್ನಗುತ್ತೇನೆ.

**ಬರವಣಿಗೆ ಹೇಗೆ ಶುರು ಮಾಡಿದಿರಿ?**

ನನ್ನ ತಂದೆಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಬರೆಯಬೇಕು ಅನ್ನಿಸಿತು. ಹಾಗಾಗಿ 'ಶ್ರೀ ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣ ಭಾಗವತರ ಕಿರುಪರಿಚಯ' ಎಂದು ಕೃತಿ ಬರೆದೆ. ಆಮೇಲೆ ಪ್ರವಾಸಗಳ ಕುರಿತು ಬರೆದೆ. ಹೀಗೆ ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಾ ಹೋದೆ. ನನಗೆ ಟೈಪಿಂಗ್ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ. ಬರಹ ಬಳಸಿ ಬರೆಯುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಏನಾದರೂ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಯಾದರೆ ಬರಹ ರೂಪಿಸಿದ ಶೇಷಾದ್ರಿ ವಾಸು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಫೋನ್ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಸಾಕು, ಅವರೇ ಬಂದು ಸರಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಬರವಣಿಗೆ ನನಗೆ ಅತೀವ ಆನಂದವನ್ನು ನೀಡಿದೆ. ಇದೀಗ ನಾನು ನನ್ನ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಅನುಭವದ ಕತೆಯ ತುಣುಕುಗಳನ್ನು 'ನೂರು ಚೂರು ಪಾರು' ಕೃತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ನೂರು ವಿಷಯಗಳ ಕುರಿತು ಬರೆದಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಈ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆದ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ವಿವರಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಜೊತೆಗೆ 'ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶ' ಕೃತಿ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದು, ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಆ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಳಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದ ವಸ್ತು, ಭಾಷೆಯ ಕುರಿತು ವಿವರಣೆ ನೀಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಜೊತೆಗೆ 'ನೂರು ಚೂರು ಪಾರು' ಕೃತಿಯ ಇಂಗ್ಲಿಷ್ ಅನುವಾದ ಈ ಎರಡೂ ಕೃತಿಗಳು ಬಿಡುಗಡೆಯಾಗಿರುವುದು ಸಂತೋಷ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

**ನಿಮ್ಮ ದಿನಚರಿ ಹೇಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ?**

ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ ಆರೂವರೆ ಅಥವಾ ಏಳು ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಏಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಾನು ಮತ್ತು ನನ್ನ ಬಾಸ್ ನಾಗಾನಂದ ಅವರು ಒಂದೇ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಅವರಿಗೆ ಮತ್ತು ನನಗೆ ಬೆಳಗಿನ ತಿಂಡಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಂತರ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನಕ್ಕೂ ಅಡುಗೆ ಸಿದ್ಧಗೊಳಿಸಿ ಬಾಕ್ಸ್‌ಗೆ ಹಾಕಿಕೊಂಡು ಆಫೀಸಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಸಂಜೆವರೆಗೂ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿ ವಾಪಸ್ ಬರುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಸಂಜೆಯ ಅಡುಗೆ, ಬರವಣಿಗೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಲ ಕಳೆದುಹೋಗುತ್ತದೆ.

**ಆಹಾರ ಪದ್ಧತಿ ಹೇಗಿದೆ?**

ಕಡಿಮೆ ತಿನ್ನುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ ಎರಡು ಇಡ್ಲಿ, ಕಾಫಿ. ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ ಚೂರು ಅನ್ನ, ಸಾರು ಅಥವಾ ಅನ್ನ ಮೊಸರು. ರಾತ್ರಿಯೂ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಅನ್ನ ಸಾರು. ಹೀಗೆ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಆಹಾರ ಸೇವನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇನೆ.

**ಅಮೆರಿಕಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿದ್ದರೆ ತಂದೆ ತಾಯಿ ಭಾರತದಲ್ಲಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಿಮ್ಮ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗಿಲ್ಲ..**

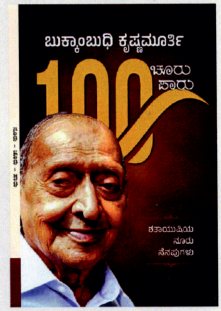
ಹೌದು. ನನ್ನದು ಉಲ್ಟಾ ಕೇಸ್. ನನ್ನ ಮಕ್ಕಳೆಲ್ಲಾ ಭಾರತದಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ಒಬ್ಬ ಮಗ ಆಸ್ಟ್ರೇಲಿಯಾದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾನೆ. ನನ್ನ ಮೊಮ್ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಇಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕೆಲವರು ಬಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ, ಯಾವಾಗ ನಿವೃತ್ತಿ ಅಂತ. ಆಗ ನನ್ನ ಬಾಸ್ ಅವರ ಬಳಿ ಅವರು ಅವರ ಮೊಮ್ಮಕ್ಕಳು ನಿವೃತ್ತರಾಗಲು ಕಾಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಬದುಕು ಹೇಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತದೋ ಹಾಗೆ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಬೇಕು. ಯಾವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ತಲೆ ಕೆಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಾರದು.

**ಕಿರಿಯರಿಗೆ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಕಿವಿಮಾತುಗಳು..**

ನಾನು ಕಿರಿಯರಿಂದ ಕಲಿಯುವುದು ಸಾಕಷ್ಟಿದೆ. ನನಗೆ ದೇಶ ನೋಡುವ ಆಸೆ ಬಹಳ. 30ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ದೇಶ ಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಇನ್ನೂ ಒಂದಷ್ಟು ದೇಶ ಸುತ್ತಾಡುವ ಆಸೆ ಇದೆ. ಕಲಿಯುತ್ತಾ, ಯುವ ಪೀಳಿಗೆ ಜೊತೆ ಬೆರೆಯುತ್ತಾ, ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಾ ಒತ್ತಡವಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಬದುಕಬೇಕು. ಅದೇ ನನ್ನ ಹಂಬಲ.

# ಅಂದು ಮತ್ತು ಇಂದು

## ನೂರು ಚೂರು ಪಾರು ಕೃತಿಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯ




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ನಾನು ಹುಟ್ಟಿದಾರಭ್ಯ 100 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏನೆಲ್ಲ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳಾಗಿವೆ. ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಗಳಲ್ಲೂ ಜರುಗುತ್ತಿವೆ, ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ರಂಗ, ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ, ವಿಜ್ಞಾನ, ವಿದ್ಯಾಭ್ಯಾಸ, ವಾಹನ ಸಂಚಾರ, ಆಡುಗೆ ಮನೆಯ ಸಲಕರಣೆಗಳು, ಉಡುಪುಗಳು, ರೀತಿನೀತಿ. ಎಲ್ಲುಂಟು ಎಲ್ಲಿಲ್ಲ.

ಸುಮಾರು ಎಪ್ಪತ್ತು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಹಿಂದೆ, ನನ್ನ ಐದು ವರ್ಷದ ಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಝಾಂಡಿಸ್ ಆಗಿತ್ತು. ವೈದ್ಯರು ಇದು ವಾಸಿಯಾಗುವ ಕಾಯಿಲೆಯೆಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನಿಸಿದರು. ಆಗಿನ್ನೂ ಈಗ ಕಾಣುವ ಹಾಗೆ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಯೋಗಗಳು ಮುಂದುವರೆದಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಇನ್ನು ಹದಿನೈದು ದಿವಸಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅವಳ ಆಯಸ್ಸು ಮುಗಿಯುತ್ತೆ ಎಂದೂ ಹೇಳಿಬಿಟ್ಟರು. ಇದು ನನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಾದರೂ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾರಿಗೂ ತಿಳಿಸುವಂತಿಲ್ಲ. ಆಗ ನಾನು ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿದ್ದೆ. 36 ಮೈಲಿ ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಹಾಸನದಲ್ಲಿ ತಕ್ಕ ಔಷಧಿ ಸಿಕ್ಕರೂ ಸಿಗಬಹುದು ಎಂದರು. ಏನೋ ಒಂದು ಆಸೆ, ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗಬಹುದೋ ಅಂತ. ಆ ಔಷಧಿಯನ್ನು ತಂದರೂ ಅವಳನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಯೋಗ ಬರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಅವರು ಹೇಳಿದಂತೆ, ಹದಿನೈದು ದಿವಸಗಳಲ್ಲೇ ತೀರಿಕೊಂಡಳು. ಈಗ ನೋಡಿ ಒಂದೊಂದು ಊರಿನಲ್ಲೂ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಗೊಂದು ಔಷಧಿ ಅಂಗಡಿ ಇದೆ. ಶಸ್ತ್ರಚಿಕಿತ್ಸೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೇ ಕಾಯಿಲೆಯನ್ನು ಗುರ್ತಿಸುವ ಕ್ಯಾಮೆರಾಗಳು ಇವೆಯಂತೆ.

ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಹಿಂದೆ ನಾನು ಆರು ಮೆಟ್ಟಲುಗಳು ಮೇಲಿಂದ ಕೆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಬಿದ್ದುಬಿಟ್ಟೆ. ತಲೆಗೆ ಪೆಟ್ಟಾಗಿ ರಕ್ತ ಬಂತು. ಏಳುವುದಕ್ಕೇ ಆಗಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಆಕಸ್ಮಾತ್ ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿದ್ದವರನ್ನು ಕೂಗಿದಾಗ ಅವರು ಬಂದು ರಕ್ತವನ್ನು ಒರೆಸಿ ಶುಶ್ರೂಷೆ ಮಾಡಿದರು. ಕೂಡಲೇ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಸೇರಿಸಿದರು. ಎಲ್ಲ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಗಳೂ ನಡೆದ ನಂತರ ಗೊತ್ತಾಯಿತು. ನನ್ನ ಎದೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆರ್ಯೋರ್ಟಾ ಎನ್ನುವ ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ತುಂಬಾ ತಿಥಿಲವಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು ತಿಳಿದು, ಅದನ್ನು ಬೇರೇ ಹಾಕಬೇಕೆಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನಿಸಿದರು. ಮೊದಲಿನ ಹಾಗೆ ಶಸ್ತ್ರಚಿಕಿತ್ಸೆ ಮಾಡಲಿಲ್ಲ. ದೇಹದೊಳಕ್ಕೆ ಒಂದು ಕೊಳವೆಯನ್ನು ಹಾಕಿ ಬದಲಾಯಿಸಿಬಿಟ್ಟರು. ಮೂರನೇ ದಿವಸವೇ ಮನೆಗೆ ಹಿಂತಿರುಗಿದೆ. ಆಕ್ಷಿಜನ್ ಎಮ್.ಆರ್.ಐ. ಹೆಸರುಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೇ ಹೊರತು, ಅವು ಏನೆಂದು ನನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಹೀಗೆ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ್ದು ಇದೇ ಮೊದಲು. ಅಲ್ಲಿಂದ ಮುಂದೆ ಆಲನ್ (Allen) ಎಂಬುವವರು ವಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಎರಡು ದಿವಸ ಬಂದು ವಾಕರ್ ಮೂಲಕ ನಡೆದಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ತರಬೇತಿ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು.

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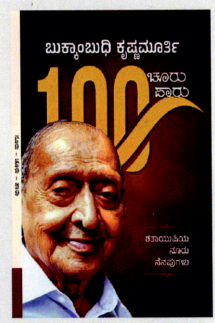
ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿಯಿಂದ ಮೂರು ಮೈಲಿ ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿದೆ ತಾವರೇಕೆರೆ. ಅಲ್ಲೇ ನಮ್ಮ ಅಣ್ಣನ ಮಾವನ ಮನೆ ಇರುವುದು. ನಮ್ಮ ಅಣ್ಣನ ಮಗನ ಮಾವನ ಮನೆಯೂ ಅದೇ. ತಾವರೇಕೆರೆ ಶಂಕರಯ್ಯನವರು ಮನೆಯ ಯಜಮಾನರು. ಅವರ ಹಿರಿಯ ಮಗಳು ಭಾಗೀರಥಮ್ಮ ನಮ್ಮ ಅಣ್ಣನ ಹೆಂಡತಿ. ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರು (ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣ ಭಾಗವತರು) ವರ್ಷಕ್ಕೊಂದು ಬಾರಿಯಾದರೂ ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು.

ಶಂಕರಯ್ಯನವರ ಹಳೆಯ ಮನೆ ಮುಂಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಪಡಸಾಲೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಎರಡು ಮೂರು ಹಸುಗಳನ್ನು ಕಟ್ಟುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಉಳಿದ ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾರಾದರೂ ಹೊರಗಿನಿಂದ ಬಂದರೆ ಮಲಗಲು ಅವಕಾಶವಿತ್ತು. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕೋಟು, ಶರ್ಟ್ ತಗುಲಿಹಾಕಲು ಒಂದು ಮರದ ಕೊಕ್ಕೆಗಳುಳ್ಳ ಕೋಟ್ ಹ್ಯಾಂಗರ್ ಗೋಡೆಗೆ ತಗುಲಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಆದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಯಾರೂ ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸುತ್ತಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ.

ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆಯವರು ಒಂದುಸಲ ತಾವರೇಕೆರೆಗೆ ಹೋದಾಗ ಅವರ ಗಂಟನ್ನು (ಗಂಟು ಅಂದರೆ ಅದರಲ್ಲಿದ್ದದ್ದು ಎರಡು ಉಡುವ ಪಂಚೆ, ಒಂದು ಶರ್ಟ್, ಸ್ನಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಬೇಕಾದ ಎರಡು ಛೋಟಾ ಪಂಚೆ, ವಿಭೂತಿಯ ಡಬ್ಬಿ) ಕೋಟ್ ಹ್ಯಾಂಗರ್‌ಮೇಲೆ ಇಡಲು ಹೋದಾಗ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕುಂಬಳಕಾಯಿ ಕೂತಿತ್ತು! ಕುಂಬಳಕಾಯನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಏಕೆ ಇಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯ, ಶಂಕರಯ್ಯನವರ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ವಿಚಾರಿಸಿದಾಗ ಅವರ್ಯಾರಿಗೂ ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು. ಮನೆಯವರೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಆ ಕುಂಬಳಕಾಯನ್ನು ನೋಡಿಯೇ ಇರಲಿಲ್ಲವಂತೆ. ಕೋಟ್ ಹ್ಯಾಂಗರ್‌ತಗುಲಿ ಹಾಕಿರುವ ಗೋಡೆಯ ಹಿಂಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಂಬಳ ಬಳ್ಳಿಯೊಂದು ಹುಟ್ಟಿ ಮೇಲ್ಕಾಗದಿಂದ ಇಳೀಬಿದ್ದು ಸಣ್ಣ ಹೀಚುಬಿಟ್ಟು ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕುಂಬಳಕಾಯಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಆದರೆ ಮನೆಯವರೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಆಷ್ಟೊಂದು ದಢೀ ಕುಂಬಳಕಾಯನ್ನು ನೋಡದೇ ಇದ್ದದ್ದು ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯದ ಸಂಗತಿ!

# ಅಂದು ಮತ್ತು ಇಂದು

## ನೂರು ಜೂರು ಪಾರು ಕೃತಿಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯ




### 3.

ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯಪ್ರಪಂಚಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊಸದಾಗಿ ಕಾಲಿಟ್ಟ ಒಬ್ಬ ತರುಣ ಒಂದು ಲೇಖನವನ್ನು ಬರೆದು ಒಬ್ಬ ಹಿರಿಯ ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳಿಗೆ ತೋರಿಸಲು ಹೋದನಂತೆ. ಅವರು ಅದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ ಲೇಖನಗಳು ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ಬೋಧಪ್ರದವಾಗಿರಬೇಕು ಕಣಪ್ಪ ಎಂದು ಅವನನ್ನು ಅಟ್ಟಿಬಿಟ್ಟರಂತೆ. ಹುಡುಗ ಪೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಹೋದ. ಲೇಖನ ಹೇಗೆ ಬರೆಯಬೇಕು ಎಂಬ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಯಾವ ಸಲಹೆಗಳನ್ನೂ ಕೊಡಲಿಲ್ಲವಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಯೋಚಿಸಿ. ಕೆಲವಾರು ತಿಂಗಳುಗಳ ನಂತರ ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ಲೇಖನವನ್ನು ಬರೆದು ಅವರಿಗೆ ತೋರಿಸಿದ. ಆಗಲೂ ಅವರು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದ ಮಾತನ್ನೇ ಪುನಃ ಹೇಳಿದರಂತೆ. ಆ ತರುಣ ಲೇಖಕ ಅವರ ಮನಸ್ಸಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಿರಬಹುದು, ಲೇಖನ ಬೋಧಪ್ರದವಾಗಿರಬೇಕು ಅಂದರೆ ಎಂದು ದಿನಗಟ್ಟಲೆ ಅದೇ ಯೋಚನೆಯಾಯಿತು. ನೋಡೋಣ ಈ ಬಾರಿ ಏನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಬೋಧಪ್ರದವಾದ ಲೇಖನವನ್ನು ಬರೆಯಲು ತುರುಮಾಡಿದ.

ಒಂದೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬ ರಾಜನಿದ್ದನು. ರಾಜ ಅಂದರೆ ಪ್ರಜೆಗಳನ್ನು ಆಳುವವನು. ಹಿಂದಿ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಚಿಕ್ಕರಾಜನನ್ನು ಪಾಳೆಯಗಾರ ಎಂದು ಕರೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ರಾಜನ ಹೆಂಡತಿ ರಾಣಿ. ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯಜನಗಳ ಹೆಂಡತಿಯರನ್ನು ಹೆಂಡತಿ, ಪತ್ನಿ ಅಥವಾ ಧರ್ಮಪತ್ನಿ ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ. ರಾಜನ ಹೆಂಡತಿಗೆ ಮಾತ್ರ ರಾಣಿ ಅಥವಾ ಮಹಾರಾಣಿ ಎಂದೇ ಹೇಳಬೇಕು.

ಮಹಾರಾಣಿಯು ಒಂದು ದಿನ ನದಿಗೆ ಸ್ನಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋದಳು. ಹರಿಯವ ನೀರನ್ನು ನದಿ ಎಂದೂ, ನಿಂತಿರುವ ನೀರನ್ನು ಹಳ್ಳ, ಹೊಂಡ, ಕೆರೆ ಎಂದು ಕರೆಯುತ್ತಾರೆ. ರಾಣಿಯು ಆಭರಣಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದಿಟ್ಟು ಸ್ನಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋದಳು. ಆಭರಣಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳ್ಳಿ, ಚಿನ್ನದಿಂದ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ನಾವು ಮಕ್ಕಳಾಗಿದ್ದಾಗ 'ಕಾಗೆ ಕೃಷ್ಣ ಸರ್ಪವನ್ನು ಕೊಂದ ಕಥೆ' ಓದಿದ ಜ್ಞಾಪಕ . ಲೇಖನವನ್ನು ಮುಂದುವರಿಸುವ ಮುಂಚೆ ಆ ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳಿಗೆ ತೋರಿಸಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಕುತೂಹಲ ಆ ತರುಣ ಲೇಖಕನಿಗೆ. ಅವರ ಮನೆಗೆ ಹೋದಾಗ ತಿಳಿಯಬಂತು, ಅವರು ಯಾರಿಗೂ ಹೇಳದೆ ಊರುಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಅಂತ!

### 4.

ನಾನು ಕಾಫೀಬೋರ್ಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾಗ ನಮ್ಮ ಆಫೀಸರ್ ಒಬ್ಬರು ವಿಪರೀತ ಸಿಗರೇಟ್ ಸೇದುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅವರಿಂದ ಇನ್ನೊಬ್ಬ ಸೇದುವವನಿಗೆ ಉಪದೇಶ. ತಮಾಷೆಗಾಗಿ ಅವರು ಹೆಂಡತಿಗೆ ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದರಂತೆ, ನಾನು ನಿನ್ನನ್ನು ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಬಿಡಬಲ್ಲೆ, ಆದರೆ ಸಿಗರೇಟ್ ಸೇದುವ ಚಟವನ್ನು ಬಿಡಲಾರೆ ಎಂದು!

ಅವರು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಆಫೀಸಿನಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾಗ ತಮಾಷೆಯಾಯಿತು. ಆಫೀಸರ್ ಕೊಠಡಿಗೆಲ್ಲ ಅರ್ಧ ಬಾಗಿಲು ಇತ್ತು. ಒಂದು ಸಲ ನನ್ನ ಸಹೋದ್ಯೋಗಿಯೊಬ್ಬನಿಗೆ ಹೇಳಿ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದರು. ಅವನು ಸ್ಟೆನೊಗ್ರಾಫರ್. ಎರಡು ಬಾರಿ ಕರೆಸಿದಾಗಲೂ ಅವನು ಬಂದು ವಾಪಸ್ ಹೋದ. ಅವರು ರೇಗಿಕೊಂಡು ಅವನನ್ನು ಪುನಃ ಕರೆಸಿ ಕೇಳಿದರು. ಅವನು 'ನಾನು ಎರಡು ಸಲ ನಿಮ್ಮ ರೂಮಿಗೆ ಬಂದೆ. ನೀವು ಊಟಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಿರಿ' ಅಂದಾಗ, ಅವರಿಗೆ ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯ. ಅವನು, ನೀವು ಬಾಯಾಡಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ. ಅವರು ಡೆಂಚರ್ ಹೊರಗಡೆ ತೆಗೆದು ತೋರಿಸಿದರಂತೆ!

ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನ ಆಫೀಸಿಗೆ ಒಂದು ತಿಂಗಳಮಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿದ್ದರು. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ವೆಂಕಟಸುಬ್ಬಯ್ಯ ಎಂಬುವವನು ಅಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಆಗಿ ಕೆಲಸಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದ. ಅಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಆಫೀಸ್, ವಾಸದ ಮನೆ ಎರಡೂ ಒಂದೇ ಕಟ್ಟಡದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದುವು. ಅವರು ಸ್ನಾನ ಮುಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು, ಹೆಗಲಮೇಲೆ ಒಂದು ಟವಲ್ ಹಾಕಿ ಬಂದು ಕುರ್ಚಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತರು. ಟೇಬಲ್ ಮೇಲೆ ಒಂದು ರೂಪಾಯಿಯನ್ನಿಟ್ಟು ಅವನಿಗೆ ಸಿಗರೇಟ್ ಪ್ಯಾಕ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಬಾ ಎಂದರು. ಅವನು ಹಣವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಹೊರಡುವುದರಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ. ಯಾವ ಬ್ರಾಂಡ್ ಗೊತ್ತೇನೋ ಅಂದಾಗ ಅವನು ಗೊತ್ತು ಸಾರ್, ಗೋಲ್ಡ್ ಫ್ಲ್ಯಾಕ್ ಅಂದ. ಆವರು, ನಿಮ್ಮ ಅಪ್ಪ ಕೊಡ್ತಾನೆಯೇ ದುಡ್ಡು. ಬರ್ಕ್‌ಲೇ, ಬರ್ಕ್‌ಲೇ ಕಣೋ ಎಂದು ಕೂಗಿದರು!

ವೆಂಕಟಸುಬ್ಬಯ್ಯ ಗಟ್ಟಿಯಾಗಿ ಮಾತನಾಡುತ್ತಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ, ಆಫೀಸರ್, ಅವನಿಗೆ ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ಬಾರಿ ಗಟ್ಟಿಯಾಗಿ ಮಾತನಾಡದಿದ್ದರೆ, ಗುದ್ದಿಬಿಡ್ತೀನಿ ಎಂದರು!

## 11th Jan - Function at Jayarama Seva Mandali








YEAR


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## 11th Jan - Function at Jayarama Seva Mandali

















## 7th Jan - Function by Ubrani Family Members

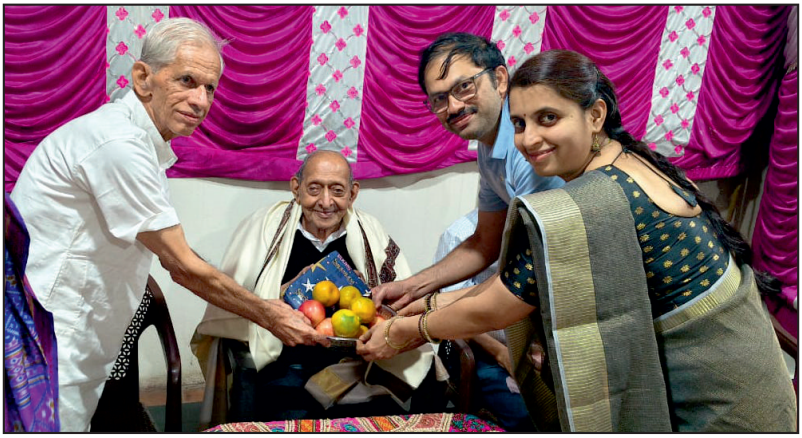














SRI BUKKAMBUDHI KRISHNAMURTHY
100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
8-1-1926 to 8-1-2026
8-1-1926 to 8-1-2026

# MR. B.V. KRISHNAMURTHY-A LEGEND OF AMAZING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mr. B.V. Krishnamurthy is fondly known to his vast circle of friends as BVK. He was born on 8.01.1926. He joined the Board's services in early 1950s and served the Board for more than three decades. He worked in the Central Coffee Research Institute for more than 5 years. He retired from the Board's services on 31 January 1984 as Deputy Director (Promotion). While in service, he was well known for his efficiency and sincerity and proved to be an adept officer who commanded respect of his higher-ups and also colleagues in the Department. It is a coincidence that Central Coffee Research Institute had organized its Centenary Celebration on 20", 21" and 22 December 2025 and Mr.BVK also celebrated his 100th year birthday on 08.1.2026. We are very proud that he was honored by the Central Coffee Research Institute on 21 December 2025 on the occasion of Its Centenary Celebration for attaining 100 years of age in January 2026. He was also given a standing ovation by the participants of the Centenary Celebration.

Mr. BVK is a great human being, very humble, good humorist, good writer and a good cook. He had travelled extensively in India and also in abroad. He had undertaken to pen down his travel experiences in his book "Bundle of Travelogues". He has also authored many more books and these books offer a glimpse of the spirit of a writer. We are glad that one of his books in Kannada "Nenapisikonda Vinoda Prasangagalu" received an award from the Kannada Sahitya Parishad.

While most of us, after retirement on attaining the age of 60 years, would have gone into oblivion, Mr. BVK had gone to

USA at the age of seventy in the year 1996 to visit his daughter in New York. But, he, later, decided to make his time more productive by joining a law firm in New Jersey with Mr. Naganada to extend administrative support and he also became USA citizen. From then on and till now, he is relentlessly striving in that endeavour with absolute ease, dedication and commitment. Mr. BVK's journey is truly special so far. It is a matter of great pride that he is still continuing to work at New Jersey, USA, even at the age of 100 years. A few days back he was telling us that he would become busy with Income Tax computation after his return to USA as Income Tax season commences in February. This shows that he is not at all tired to work and wants to still work for many more years. We wish him that he retires after his grand sons, working in USA, retire! He is an inspiration to all of us. He is a role model for the present generation showcasing how best one can lead their life actively. Mr. BVK has not only shown us, but the entire world that AGE is just only a number and a determined person can continue to contribute, serve and deliver, no matter whatever one's age.

He is a member of our Coffee Board Pensioners' Association since its inception. He is a well-wisher of our Association and he is a regular donor to our Association. He speaks very often to our pensioner friends in India from USA and keep us informed about their well-being. This shows that he builds a healthy relationship with his pensioner friends. We felicitated him on 10.1.2026 on the occasion of his attaining 100 years which is a milestone in one's life. On my own behalf and on behalf of our Association, we pray almighty to make him live a hale and healthy life with happiness and contentment for many more years to come.

Ramanan 10/1/2026

DR.D.VENKATARAMANAN
PRESIDENT, COFFEE BOARD PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION.

Dear B. V. Krishnamurthy sir,

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday!

An entire century of memories, wisdom and love is truly something to celebrate. As we celebrate you today, there's wishing that your life continues to be filled with good health, many more moments of joy and warmth. May you continue to inspire and bring laughter and cheer around you like you always have. Here's to your remarkable journey.

- T. V. Neelakantan

ಶುಭವಾಗಲಿ

ನಾ ಕಂಡ ಶ್ರೇಯುತ ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಶ್ರೀಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರು

ನಾನು ಮಡುವೆಯೂನಿ ಬಂದಾಗ (1959) ಕೆಲವು ತಿಂಗಳ ಅವರ ಸಂಪರ್ಕದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೆಲವು ಕಡೆ ಇರುವ ಸದವಕಾಶ ನನಗೆ ವಿಶೇಷ. ನಿಷ್ಪಕ್ಷಪಾತ ಸ್ವಭಾವದ ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ನಗುಮುಖದಿಂದಿರುವ ತಮ್ಮ ತಮಾಷೆಯ ಮಾತುಗಳಿಂದ (ಸಮಯೋಚಿತವಾದ) ಎಲ್ಲರನ್ನು ನಗೆ ಕಡಲಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಳುಗಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದ ಅವರ ಮಾತುಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ನಾವು ಕಾಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದೆವು. ಮನುಷ್ಯರು ಎಷ್ಟು ವಯಸ್ಸಾದರೂ ಜೀವನ ಜೀವನವನ್ನು ಅರ್ಥಗರ್ಭಿತವಾಗಿ ಸಂತೃಪ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ಬಾಳಬಹುದೆಂಬುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವರು ಮಾದರಿಯಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅವರನ್ನು ನನ್ನ ಭಾವನವರೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಹೆಮ್ಮೆ ಪಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ದೇವರು ಅವರನ್ನು ಇನ್ನು ಅಷ್ಟು ಕಾಲ ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿ ಇಟ್ಟಿರಲೆಂದು ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ. 100 ವರ್ಷಕ್ಕೆ ತುಂಬಿದ ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಶುಭಾಶಯಗಳು.

ಪ್ರೀತಿಯ ನಮಸ್ಕಾರಗಳೊಡನೆ

ಸರಸ್ವತಿ ಅನಂತ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

9th Jan 2016




Painting Gift by :
**Sri Anil Boga Shetty**
Nanjanagudu
in Coffee Decoction




Gift by : **Smt. Kshama D/o. Pf. Anaaji**





**ಶತಾಯುಷಿ, ಸಾಹಿತಿ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ಸನ್ಮಾನ**

ಪ್ರತಿಭಾ ಪುರಸ್ಕಾರದ ಸಮಾರಂಭಕ್ಕೆ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅತಿಥಿಗಳಾಗಿ ಆಗಮಿಸಿದ್ದ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಹಿರಿಯರು, ಅಮೆರಿಕ ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳು, ಕಾನೂನು ಸಲಹೆಗಾರರು ಎಲ್ಲಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳೂ ಆದ ಶತಾಯುಷಿ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣ ಭಾಗವತರ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ(ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ) ಅವರನ್ನು ಸಂಘದ ಮಾಜಿ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರುಗಳು ವೇದಿಕೆಯ ಮೇಲೆ ಸನ್ಮಾನಿಸುವುದರ ಮೂಲಕ ಗೌರವಾರ್ಪಣೆ ಮಾಡಿದರು.





ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರು ಕಳೆದ 25 ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಅಮೆರಿಕಾ ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಖ್ಯಾತ ನ್ಯಾಯವಾದಿ ಶ್ರೀ ನಾಗಾನಂದ ಅವರ ಜೊತೆ ಅಮೆರಿಕದ ನ್ಯೂಜೆರ್ಸಿಯ ಮಿಡ್ಲಸೆಕ್ಸ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇವೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. "ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಪದಕೋಶ" ಎಂಬ ಬೃಹತ್ ಜಾನಪದೀಯ ಭಾಷಾ ನಿಘಂಟನ್ನು ರಚಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಪ್ರವಾಸ, ಜೀವನಚರಿತ್ರೆ ಮೊದಲಾದವುಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಏಳೆಂಟು ಕೃತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕನ್ನಡ ಮತ್ತು ಆಂಗ್ಲಭಾಷೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಚಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಒಂದೆರಡು ತಿಂಗಳುಗಳ ಕಾಲ ಸ್ವದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಮಿಸಿದ್ದು, ತಮ್ಮ ಹುಟ್ಟೂರು ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಮತ್ತು ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಮಕ್ಕಳು, ಬಾಂಧವರ ಮನೆಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಸನ್ಮಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ನೀಡುತ್ತಾ ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರು ಹೊಯ್ಸಳ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಘದ ಸನ್ಮಾನವನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲು ನನಗೆ ಹೆಮ್ಮೆ ಎನಿಸುತ್ತಿದೆ. ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿನಿಯರು ಸಂಘದ ಮೇಲೆ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಮೇಲೆ ಅಭಿಮಾನ ಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ತಮಗೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿರುವ ಸದವಕಾಶವನ್ನು ಸದುಪಯೋಗಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಕಷ್ಟಪಟ್ಟು ವಿದ್ಯಾಭ್ಯಾಸ ಮಾಡಿ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಉನ್ನತ ಸ್ಥಾನವನ್ನು ಗಳಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹಿತನುಡಿಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳಿದರು. ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಗಳು ಸಂಘಕ್ಕೆ ತಮ್ಮ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ನೀಡಿದರು.

**ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನಾಟಕ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿಯ ಮಾಜಿ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಾದ ಬಿ.ವಿ. ರಾಜಾರಾಮ್ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಸನ್ಮಾನ**

ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಅವರ ಅಣ್ಣನ ಮಕ್ಕಳು, ಹಿರಿಯ ರಂಗತಜ್ಞರು, ನಾಟಕಕಾರರು, ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕಿರುತೆರೆ ಕಲಾವಿದರು, ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳೂ ಆದ ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ವಿ. ರಾಜಾರಾಂ ಅವರನ್ನೂ ಇದೇ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಘದ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಸನ್ಮಾನಿಸಲಾಯಿತು.

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ನ್ಯೂಜೆರ್ಸಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾನದ ಮಿಡ್ಲ್‌ಸೆಕ್ಸ್
ಮೊಕ್ಕಾಂ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

ಸನ್ಮಾನ್ಯರೆ,

ನಮ್ಮ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಹಿರಿಯರು ಶತಾಯುಷಿಗಳೂ ಆದ ತಾವು ನಮ್ಮ ಸಂಘದ ಆಹ್ವಾನದ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ/ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿನಿಯರ ಪ್ರತಿಭಾ ಪುರಸ್ಕಾರ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಮಿಸಿ, ನಮ್ಮ ಹೊಯ್ಸಳ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಪರವಾಗಿ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಂಘದ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಸನ್ಮಾನವನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಿದ್ದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ತಮಗೆ ಕೃತಜ್ಞತಾಪೂರ್ವಕ ವಂದನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಅಮೆರಿಕಾದಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಪಕಾಲದ ಭೇಟಿಗೆ ಆಗಮಿಸಿರುವ ತಾವು ತಮ್ಮ ಬಿಡುವಿಲ್ಲದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳ ನಡುವೆಯೂ ಸಂಘದ ಮೇಲಿನ ಪ್ರೀತಿ ಅಭಿಮಾನದಿಂದ ಆಗಮಿಸಿ ಸನ್ಮಾನವನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಿ ಸಂಘದ ವಿದ್ಯಾನಿಧಿಗೆ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ನೀಡಿದ್ದು ನಮಗೆ ಬಹಳ ಸಂತಸವನ್ನು ಉಂಟುಮಾಡಿದೆ.

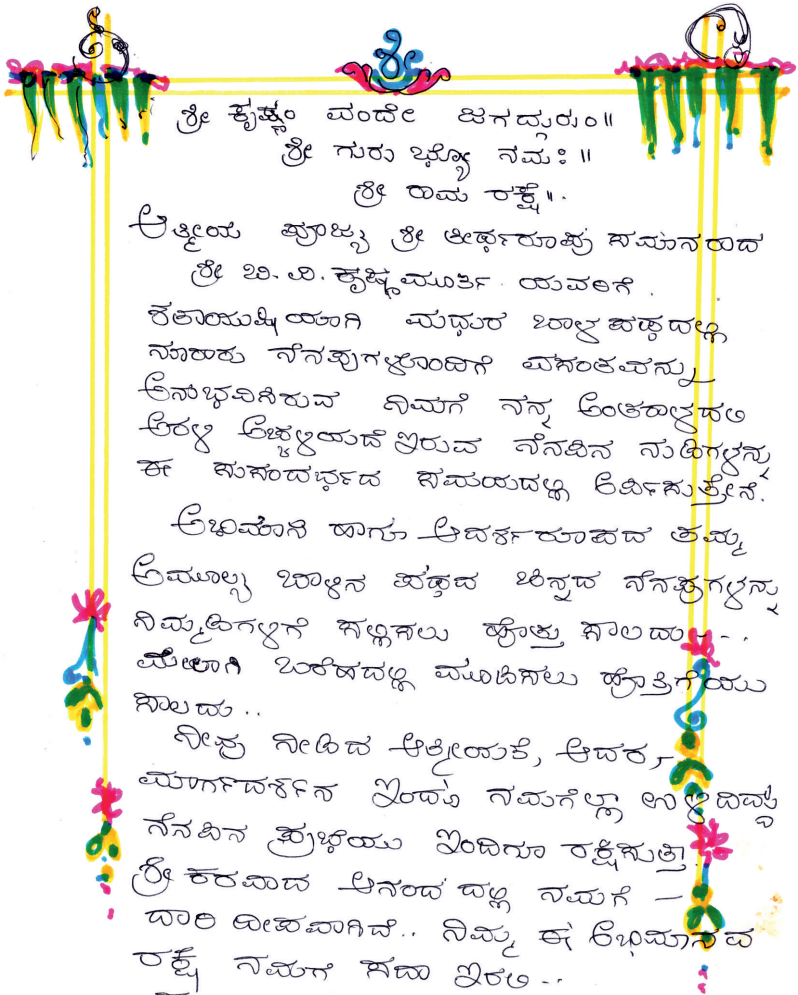
ತಮ್ಮ ಸಾಧನೆ ಅಪಾರ. ತಾವು ರಚಿಸಿರುವ "ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶ" ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರ ಕೃತಿಗಳು ಬಹಳ ಜನಮನ್ನಣೆಯನ್ನು ಗಳಿಸಿವೆ. ಅದರಲ್ಲೂ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ಪದಕೋಶವು ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಭಾಷಾ ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರದ ಒಂದು ಐತಿಹಾಸಿಕ ದಾಖಲೆಯಾಗಿದೆ.

ಭಗವಂತನು ತಮಗೆ ಆಯುರಾರೋಗ್ಯ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡಿ ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಕಾಲ ತಾವು ಸಮಾಜ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಮುಂದುವರಿಸಲು ಶಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ನೀಡಲಿ ಎಂದು ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಂಘದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಇದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಪ್ರೀತಿ ಅಭಿಮಾನವನ್ನು ಮುಂದುವರಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ವಿನಂತಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಗೌರವಾದರಗಳೊಡನೆ,

ತಮ್ಮ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ
(ಡಾ. ಎಸ್. ನಂಜುಂಡಸ್ವಾಮಿ)
ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು

ನಂ. 36, 3ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಹೊಂಬೇಗೌಡನಗರ
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–560 027.
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Bengaluru - 560 027.



ಶ್ರೀ ಕೃಷ್ಣಂ ವಂದೇ ಜಗದ್ಗುರುಂ॥
ಶ್ರೀ ಗುರು ಭ್ಯೋ ನಮಃ॥
ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಮ ರಕ್ಷೆ॥.

ಆತ್ಮೀಯ ಪೂಜ್ಯ ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್ಥಾರೂಪು ಸಮಾನರಾದ
ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಸ್. ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಯವರಿಗೆ.

ಕೆಲವಾಮುಷ್ಯಯಾಗಿ ಮಧುರ ಬಾಲ್ಯ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ
ನೂರಾರು ನೆನಪುಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ವಿಹಂತವನ್ನು
ಅನುಭವಿಸಿರುವ ನಿಮಗೆ ನನ್ನ ಅಂತರಾಳದ
ತೆರೆಯ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯದೇ ಇರುವ ನೆನಪಿನ ನುಡಿಗಳನ್ನು
ಈ ಸುಸಂದರ್ಭದ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಳಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಅಭಿಮಾನ ಹಾಗೂ ಆದರ್ಶ ರೂಪದ ತಮ್ಮ
ಅಮೂಲ್ಯ ಬಾಲ್ಯದ ಜೀವನದ ಚಿನ್ನದ ನೆನಪುಗಳನ್ನು
ನಿಮ್ಮೊಡನೆ ಹಂಚಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದು ಹಾಲದು..
ಮೆಲಾಗಿ ಬರೆದದ್ದನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನಲು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದು
ಸಾಲದು..

ನೀವು ನೀಡಿದ ಆತ್ಮೀಯತೆ, ಆದರ,
ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ ಇಂದು ನಮಗೆಲ್ಲಾ ಆಶೀರ್ವಾದವೇ
ನೆನಪಿನ ಕುಭಿಯು ಇಂದಿಗೂ ರಕ್ಷಿಸುತ್ತಿ
ಶ್ರೀ ಕರವಾದ ಆನಂದದಲ್ಲಿ ನಮಗೆ —
ದಾರಿ ದೀಪವಾಗಿದೆ.. ನಿಮ್ಮ ಈ ಅಭಿಮಾನವೇ
ರಕ್ಷೆ ನಮಗೆ ಸದಾ ಇರಲಿ..

ಕರುಣಾಳು ಭಗವಂತನ ಶ್ರೀರಕ್ಷೆ ನಿಮಗೆ
ನಿಮ್ಮವರಿಗೆಲ್ಲಾ ಸಕಾನಂದ ಹೇಳಿಯೊಗಲಿ —

ಮನಃ ನಮನ ಪೂರ್ವಕ.

— ಬಾಪ್ಪಾ —

Bangalore. ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.
೧೦-೧-೨೬.

ವಿಷಯ : ಬುಳ್ಳಾಂಬುಧಿ ಶ್ರೀ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ ಅವರ ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವದ ಆಚರಣೆಯ ಸಂಧರ್ಭದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆ.

ಬುಳ್ಳಾಂಬುಧಿ ಶ್ರೀ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ನಾವೆಲ್ಲರೂ ನಮಸ್ಕಾರಗಳನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತಾ ನಾನು ಅವರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದೆರಡು ಮಾತುಗಳನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ನಾನು ಅವರನ್ನು ಮೊದಲು ಭೇಟಿ ಆಗಿದ್ದು ನನ್ನ ಬಾಲ್ಯದ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತ -ನಾದ ಆನಂದನ ಮೂಲಕ ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಸಲು ಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಾನು ಡ್ರೈಸ್ಕೂಲು ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲೇಜು ವ್ಯಾಸಂಗ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವಾಗಲೇ ಅವರನ್ನು ಬಿಟ್ಟರೆ ನಾನು ಆಗ ಗಮನಿಸಿದ್ದ ಅವರ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿತ್ವ ಏನೆಂದರೆ ಅವರು ಬಡತನ ಕಳೆಯಲು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯವರಾಗಿ, ದಾನ್ಯಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠನೆನ್ನುವವರು ಮತ್ತು ಪೌಲ್ಟ್ರಾಧಾರಿತ ಜೀವನಶೈಲಿ ಅಳವಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವವರು, ಮಿಕಗಾತ್ರ ತ್ರಿವಿಧಿಗಳು. ನಾನು ಕಂಡಂತೆ ಅವರು ಬಾಲ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಳಷ್ಟು ಕಷ್ಟವನ್ನು ಎದುರಿಸಿದ್ದರೆ. ಬೆಳೆದವರು. ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಳಷ್ಟು ಕಷ್ಟವನ್ನು ಎದುರಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ೪ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರು ಕಾಫಿ ಬೋರ್ಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅವರು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ಬರಹಗಾರರು. ಅವರ ಅನುಭವವನ್ನು ಪುಸ್ತಕದ ಮೂಲಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈಗಲೂ ನಿಡ ಅವರು ಬರಹವನ್ನು ಮುಕ್ತವಿರ್ಜಯಿಂದ ಮುಂದುವರಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದು ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಸ್ಫೂರ್ತಿದಾಯಕವಾಗಿದೆ. ಅವರು ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಅನೇಕ ಸಮಾಜ -ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈಗಲೂ ನಿಡ ವಿದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರು ಬಹುವಚನೆಯಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಜೀವನ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅವರ ಜೀವನ ವಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಒಂದು ಮಾದರಿ ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂತೋಷವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಅವರ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಅವರ ಸಲಹೆಯಂತೆ ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿ ಮುಂದೆ ಬಂದರು. ಅವರು ಕಷ್ಟ ಮಕ್ಕಳು, ಮೊಮ್ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮರಿಮೊಮ್ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಜೊತೆ ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವ ಆಚರಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಒಂದು ವಿಶೇಷ್ಯವೆನಿಸಲ್ಲ.

ದೇವರು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ಆಯುಸ್ಸು, ಆರೋಗ್ಯಕೊಟ್ಟು ಕಾಪಾಡಲಿ ಎಂದು ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಇತಿ ತಮ್ಮ ವಿನಯಶೀಲ.

ವಿನ. ವಿ. ನರಹರಿ

(ವಿನ. ವಿ. ನರಹರಿ) ಬಿ. ಕೆ. ಆನಂದನ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತ

# ವರುಷ ನೂರು, ಹಾರೈಕೆ ಚೂರು

(ಡಾ. ರಾಜ್ ತಾವರೆಕೆರೆ, ಕ್ಯಾಂಟನ್, ಮಿಷಿಗನ್, ಯು. ಎಸ್.ಎ.)

1.

'ಅ' ಅಲಾಸ್ಕಾ, 'ಆ' ಆಸ್ಟ್ರೇಲಿಯ. 'ಇ' ಇಲಿನಾಯ್, 'ಈ' ಈಜಿಪ್ಟು,
ಏನಿದು ಚಿಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ, ಹೊಸ ಅಕ್ಷರ ಮಾಲೆ?
ನಕ್ಕರು ನಮ್ಮಿ "ಎಳೆ ಮುದುಕ, ಅದು ನನ್ನ ಹೊಸ ಪಾಠದ ಗಟ್ಟು;

2.

ಕಟ್ಟಿ ಕಾಲಿಗೆ ಚಕ್ರ, ಹಿಡಿದು ರಹದಾರಿ ಪತ್ರ, ಹುಡುಕಿ ಹೊಸ ಗಮ್ಯ,
ಅರೆ, ಇಲ್ಲಿಗಿನ್ನೂ ಏಕೆ ಹೋಗಿಲ್ಲ?
ಗುರಿಯೆಡೆಗೆ ಪಯಣ, ಪಯಣವೂ ಗುರಿ, ಉತ್ಸಾಹವದು ಅದಮ್ಯ;

3.

ಭಟ್ಟಿ ಇಳಿಸಿ ಪ್ರತಿ ಪ್ರವಾಸ, ಮುದ್ರಿಸಿ ಚಿತ್ರ ಸಹಿತ,
ಓಹ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ, ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ಹೊಸ ಪುಸ್ತಕ?
ಓದು, ತಪ್ಪಿದ್ದರೆ ತಿಳಿಸು, ಮುಂದಿನದಾಗಿರಬೇಕು ದೋಷ ರಹಿತ

4.

ಶತಮಾನದ ಹೊಳಪು, ತಲೆಮಾರುಗಳ ನೆನಪು,
ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ, ಬಾಳೆಹೊನ್ನೂರುಗಳೆಲ್ಲಿ?
ಆ ಜನ, ಪದ, ಜತನವಾಗಿಸಿದೆ ಈ ಶತಾಯುಷಿಯ ಚಿರ ಹುರುಪು:

5.

ಇಂದು ಮಕ್ಕಳ, ಮೊಮ್ಮಕ್ಕಳ, ಮರಿಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂತೆ,
ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ, ಯಾವಾಗ ನಿಮ್ಮ ನಿವೃತ್ತಿ?
ಉತ್ತರ ಮತ್ತದೇ ಮುಗುಳ್ನಗೆ, ಮಿನುಗು ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಲಿ ಮಂಗಳದ ಮಮತೆ!

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ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನಿಂದ
ರೊಕ್ಕಗಳೂರಿಗೆ ಹಾರಿ
ದೂರದ ಅಮೆರಿಕದಲ್ಲೂ
ಕನ್ನಡದ್ದೇ ಕನವರಿಕೆ
ಬರೆದದ್ದು ಒಂದೊಂದೂ ಕಾಣಿಕೆ

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ಬುದ್ಧಿವಂತಿಕೆಯು ಹೌದು
ಬುದ್ಧ ವಂತಿಕೆಯೂ ಹೌದು
But wait
BVK ಎಂದರೆ
ಬ್ರಿಲಿಯನ್ಸ್ ವಿಥ್ KINDNESS....
WISH YOU ANOTHER
CENTURY filled with
Abundant happiness

**–ಶ್ರೀವತ್ಸ ಕೆ.ಎಲ್.,** ಚೆನ್ನೈ

# ಶ್ರೀ ಬುಕ್ಕಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೃಷ್ಣಮೂರ್ತಿ – 100ನೇ ಹುಟ್ಟು ಹಬ್ಬ





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## 100 ಕಂಠಗಳ ಗಾಯನ

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**ಬಿ.ಕೆ. ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಸದಸ್ಯರು**
**ಕಲಾಗಂಗೋತ್ರಿ ಬಳಗ**

## MR. B.V. KRISHNAMURTHY – A LEGEND OF AMAZING ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Mr. B.V. Krishnamurthy is fondly known to his vast circle of friends as BVK. He was born on 8.01.1926. He joined the Board's services in early 1950s and served the Board for more than three decades. He worked in the Central Coffee Research Institute for more than 5 years. He retired from the Board's services on 31st January 1984 as Deputy Director (Promotion). While in service, he was well known for his efficiency and sincerity and proved to be an adept officer who commanded respect of his higher-ups and also colleagues in the Department. It is a coincidence that Central Coffee Research Institute had organized its Centenary Celebration on 20th, 21st and 22nd December 2025 and Mr.BVK also celebrated his 100th year birthday on 08.1.2026. We are very proud that he was honored by the Central Coffee Research Institute on 21st December 2025 on the occasion of its Centenary Celebration for attaining 100 years of age in January 2026. He was also given a standing ovation by the participants of the Centenary Celebration.

Mr.BVK is a great human being, very humble, good humorist, good writer and a good cook. He had travelled extensively in India and also in abroad. He had undertaken to pen down his travel experiences in his book "Bundle of Travelogues". He has also authored many more books and these books offer a glimpse of the spirit of a writer. We are glad that one of his books in Kannada "Nenapisikonda Vinoda Prasangagalu" received an award from the Kannada Sahitya Parishad.

While most of us, after retirement on attaining the age of 60 years, would have gone into oblivion, Mr. BVK had gone to USA at the age of seventy in the year 1996 to visit his daughter in New York. But, he, later, decided to make his time more productive by joining a law firm in New Jersey with Mr. Naganada to extend administrative support and he also became USA citizen. From then on and till now, he is relentlessly striving in that endeavour with absolute ease, dedication and commitment. Mr. BVK's journey is truly special so far. It is a matter of great pride that he is still continuing to work at New Jersey, USA, even at the age of 100 years. A few days back he was telling us that he would become busy with Income Tax computation after his return to USA as Income Tax season commences in February. This shows that he is not at all tired to work and wants to still work for many more years. We wish him that he retires after his grand sons, working in USA, retire! He is an inspiration to all of us. He is a role model for the present generation showcasing how best one can lead their life actively. Mr. BVK has not only shown us, but the entire world that AGE is just only a number and a determined person can continue to contribute, serve and deliver, no matter whatever one's age.

He is a member of our Coffee Board Pensioners' Association since its inception. He is a well-wisher of our Association and he is a regular donor to our Association. He speaks very often to our pensioner friends in India from USA and keep us informed about their well-being. This shows that he builds a healthy relationship with his pensioner friends. We felicitated him on 10.1.2026 on the occasion of his attaining 100 years which is a milestone in one's life. On by own behalf and on behalf of our Association, we pray almighty to make him live a hale and healthy life with happiness and contentment for many more years to come.

DR.D.VENKATARAMANAN

**PRESIDENT, COFFEE BOARD PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION**

## 15th Jan - BK and Naga Back to USA





Bukkambudhi Krishnamurthy



His life begins. I know the date 8-1-1926. and now he is in 8-12-2026. Between these-100 years of his life journey, he has worked for almost 70 years in India and about 30 years in U.S. He worked in Coffee Board, Govt. of India and retired. Then he went to US and he is still working in Mr Nagananda CPA.

After going to US, he stayed in New Jersey. He started writing that too in computer Baraha language. First, he wrote on his father, a small book. and then his foreign tours and his visit to Indian states and other places. Bukkambudhi Pradeshika Padakosha Is a wonderful Book.

His habit was first to write in Kannada and then translate the same into English for others to know. Now he has worked in his hundred years of life, so he wrote about the changes, he has seen in life in many fields. So in this book, he has jotted down from his memory lane, hundred bits and pieces of thoughts.

The book release function has been organised by his family members and others. These Waves of thoughts book may give us new thoughts to our lives.

I pray and wish him long life, good health and happiness

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