

# SAMSAD NEWS

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It is a great shock that Shri Ranjit Roy Chowdhury, former President and member of the Promoters' Committee expired on  $11^{th}$  November 2018 at the age of 104 years. A condolence meeting was held on  $18^{th}$  November, 2018 at the Samsad premises.

Shri S. N. Mukherjee, our Life member and a member of the Promoters' Committee expired on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018. He was also a Patron of the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations Committee. He played a pivotal role during the early period of the Samsad. He was immensely popular among all section of the Samsad members.

Karolbagh Bangiya Samsad expresses deep condolences over sudden demises of Ranjitda and Shambhuda, prays for peace and solace for the departed souls and conveys heartfelt and sincere sympathies to the bereaved members of their families.

The present Executive Committee is going to complete its two-year term and the present bulletin covers reports and activities during the period August to December 2018. This is a culturally active period for the Samsad. Samsad activities were held with all enthusiasm and fervour. The highlights of the activities were – Inaugural Programmes of Diamond Jubilee Celebratiions, Annual Day of Shishu Bharati School/Shikshayatan, Cricket and carrom tournament for members and other cultural programmes.

# **Annual General Body of Karolbagh Bangiya Samsad:**

The Annual General Body meeting of the Karolbagh Bangiya Samsad will be held on Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 from 10.30 a.m. at the Samsad Bhavan premises. Formal notice for the meeting will be sent to the members.

#### **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations:**

Karolbagh Bangiya samsad completed sixty years of meaningful and glorious existence on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2018. It is a great achievement for a socio-cultural organization like ours to survive and bloom, giving shape to our vision and continuing our activities with enthusiasm and vigour. From a humble beginning in a rented garage, Samsad at present has a building of its own from where it conducts its multifarious activities. This has been possible because of untiring efforts of its members, particularly those who were the founding fathers. It was all due to financial prudence and good management that their vision has now become a reality.

Diamond Jubilee Festival commenced on the evening of 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 with lighting of lamps by Shri Alok Kar, Shri Pradeep Banerjee, Shri Ramen Roy, Shri Biprajit Paul and Shri Rabin Chanda, Dr. Nabendu Sen, Shri Sajal Patra, General Secretary followed by the programme of Samsad's own members presenting a memorable based on the script of Dr. Nabendu Sen. it chronologically presented the chequered history of Samsad. Narrated by Santanu Gangopadhyay, who in his baritone voice mesmerized the audience and many present day members came to know about the initial hurdles faced by Samsad. The programme had a medley of songs rendered by the members of the Samsad led by Rajesh Saha. The selection as well as rendition of songs suited the ambiance perfectly. Members participated are: Mridula Ghosh, Manjashri Pattanayak, Nilanjana Chakraborty, Paramita Saha, Ishita Mukherjee, Basanti Modak, Moumita Kar, Suchandra Roy, Sohini Saha, Rajesh Saha, Anirban Roy, Joydeep Mukherjee, Amal Ghosh, Debashis Pattanatak. Arpan Mukherjee, Arup and Siddhath accompanied in Keyboard, Tabla and Sidh Bina respectively.

The next event of the evening was a programme of Bengali folk songs rendered by 'Ujaan' Group of NOIDA. Led by Tapati Mukherjee, it was indeed a colourful programme and the audience enjoyed every bit of it.

29<sup>th</sup> evening programme was 'gunijan Sambardhana' to Dr. Nabendu Sen for his contribution to Bengali Literature and also promotion of Bengali language in Delhi. His contribution is immense for our literary magazine 'Ajanta' as well as literary seminars conducted by Samsad. Artist Padmashri Biman Das was the Chief Guest and presented the citation and 'Utorio' to Nabenduda. This was followed by 'Sahitya Sabha' where several poets and writers participated and presented their own poems and writings. It was one of the most interesting programme for the lovers of Bengali literature in Delhi.

On Sunday, the 30<sup>th</sup> of December the programme started in the morning. 'Jharnadhara' musical group presented a lively and melodious programme. Samsad has a long cherished association with 'Jharnadhara' and it was most appropriate to have them on this glorious occasion. This was followed by the presentation of Mementos and Citations to our Promoters' Committee members, all past Presidents and General Secretaries along with those whose who made noteworthy contribution to Samsad. These mementos and citations were presented by Shri Alok Kar, President of the Samsad, Shri P. K. Banerjee, former President and Shri Rabin Chanda, Chairman of the Diamond Jubilee Committee.

Down memory lane – an Exhibition of old photographs accompanied by captions decorated the walls of Samsad Hall. It aroused the feeling of nostalgia in the minds of several senior members. Members of the yesteryears narrated anecdotes associated with these photos. Present members or visitors came to know several untold stories and incidents through these photographs about the activities of Samsad. This festival provided a platform where members of yesterday, today and maybe tomorrow had the opportunity of intermingling and enjoying every moment of the time spent together.

Our member, Tapas Roy took special initiative in giving shape to this exhibition. Biprajit Paul's colourful backdrop was apt for the occasion. A Graffiti work was done on the building specially for the Diamond Jubilee, which was also designed by Tapas Roy.

Bengali food is part of our culture and we cannot think of a festival without Bengali delicacies. First two days dinner was served and on the  $30^{th}$  December, lunch was served to all the members, visitors and well-wishers.

We have received the donations for Diamond Jubilee Celebration from the following members for which we are thankful to them. As the celebrations will continue for one-full year, members are requested to donate generously to the Diamond Jubilee Fund.

S. K. Gupta Ramen Roy Shyamal Kr. Paul Reena Roy Basanti Modak Sandhy Das U. R. Mitra Biprajit Paul Kabita Banerjee Sajal Patra Monojit Chakraborty Prabhat Chatterjee Rajesh Saha	2,000	R. K. Roy Chowdhury Ashok Sengupta S. N. Sur Amalendu Dutta Rabin Chanda Samar Das Sikha Banerjee D. Sengupta Subhro Das D. Bhattacharya L. N Chatterjee Shukla Roy	3,000 10,000 5,000 5,000 3,500 3,000 15,000 500 1,100 1,000 2,000	Rajiv Mukherjee P. K. Banerjee R. B. Chakraborty Sutapa Chakraborty Subhashish Panja Monidipa Chatterjee Sharmila Bhattachar Arnab Bhattacharya Arup Tewari Ranen Roy Anusua Ghosh Siraj Dasgupta	2,000 500 2,000 5,000 3,000
Prabhat Chatterjee Rajesh Saha Alok Kar	2,000 1,000 1,500	Shukla Roy Anirban Roy	2,000 1,000	Siraj Dasgupta Joydeep Mukherjee	3,000 1,000

#### **Kerala Flood Relief:**

The year will long be remembered for the shattering disaster and human miseries caused to the people of Kerala due to floods. It exposed how helpless we are in the hands of the nature.

In keeping with the Samsad long tradition, we organized donation camp for the people of Kerala and donated a sum of Rs. 1 lakh to the Resident Commissioner of Kerala in New Delhi for the relief work for the people of Kerala. Out of this amount, Samsad members, students and teachers of both the Schools have contributed a sum of Rs. 69,531/-.

Our thanks to all the people who came forward to donate for the people of Kerala.

# **Organizational Matter:**

Due to non-availability of doctor, Social Service Unit which runs by the KBS Trust has decided to close it for the time being.

## **Library:**

Puja Numbers of Sananda, Desh, Anandalok, Bartaman, Ananda Bazar Patrika, Ananda Mela, Pratidin have been purchased for the Library. These publications are available at the reading room and can now be borrowed by members against their membership cards. Daily Newspapers Ananda Bazar Patrika, Aaj Kaal and Pratidin are also available in the library.

#### **Cultural:**

Independence Day was celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2018. Shri Alok Kar, Preident of the Samsad, hoisted the National Flag on this occasion. Students of music class of the Samsad also rendered some patriotic songs.

Bejoya Sammilani was celebrated on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2918 at the Samsad Bhavan premises. Members of the 'Additiya Group' from Mahavir Enclave. The group was headed by Shri Arpan Mukherjee. The group rendered some beautiful songs and was highly appreciated by the audience.

The function also included the songs by the following members of the Samsad Music Class:

Srijan, Ankushree, Chirag, Maitri, Jeshuta, Gsayjoti, Joyashree, Niladri, Suman, Abhishek and Kaustav. The program was supervised by Smt. Basanti Modak.

Manjira, Ritabrato, Kaustav, Bristhi, Shreya, Bidishi, Arradhya, Adrija and Usha, members of the Dance Class also participated in the programme. Smt. Rupa conducted the programme.

#### Shishu Bharati School/Shikshayatan:

The calendar of events began with the celebration of the Independence Day on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018. A colourful programme of songs, poetry and dance was presented by the students of the two schools.

It was followed by the teacher's day held on  $5^{\text{th}}$  September, 2018. Teachers' Day was a funfilled event for the teachers and the members of the Managing Committee followed by a delightful get-together. On this day everyone enjoyed a lot. Shri Aok Kar, Shri Rabin Chanda and Shri D. Bhattacharya were present. Some teachers sang melodious songs and some recited beautiful poems. Lunch was hosted by the management. On this occasion, gifts to the teachers were distributed by the students.

Drawing competition among the students of two schools was held on 14<sup>th</sup> November.

Like in the previous year this year also students of the Shishu Bharati Shikshayatan participated in the St. Marks Higher Secondary School at Meera Bagh and out of ten students participated, eight students won prizes including running trophy.:

1.	Anshu Kumar Kar	- IA	Ist prize
2.	Ujan Jana	- IC	Cosolation
<b>3.</b>	Shreyashri Samanta	– IIB	II prize
4.	Rohit Samanta	- II A	Consolation
<b>5.</b>	Soumen Santra	- III A	Ist prize
6.	Suraj Roy	- III A	Consolatiion
7.	Soham Samanta	- IV B	Ist
8.	Suroiit Paul	- V	Consolatiion

The School organized Annual Sports Day on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018. There was encouraging participation by the students and a large number of prizes were declared.

An educational trip-cum-picnic was organized for the students of Shishu Bharati Shikshayata at 'Aeroplanet', Dwarka on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2018.

The Annual Day of the Shishu Bharati School/IShikshayatan was held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at Pearey Lal Bhavan, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. The programme was started with a welcome song by the students. Shri D. Bhattacharya, Secretary of the Shishu Bharati, welcomed the guests. Shri Ranajit Bhattacharya, Director, Protham (an NGO deals with primary education) was the Chief Guest, and spoke on different aspects on child education. Smt. Sandhya Das, Chairperson of the School Management Committee, spoke on the occasion. Thereafter annual reports of both the schools were presented by the Principals of the respective schools.

It was followed by a colourful variety programme by the students of Shishu Bharati School/Shikshayatan which enthralled the audience with their performances.

Smt. Sandhya Das, Chairman, School Management Committee, Shri Alok Kar, President of the Samsad and Shri D. Bhattacharya, Secretary, School Management Committee, gave away the academic and other prizes to the students. Shri Alok Kar, President of the Samsad gave the vote of thanks to the guests and audience. Concluding item was Lucky Draw. A list of winning persons had been displayed on the Samsad Notice Board. The Samsad is grateful to those who have donated the Lucky Draw Prizes.

### Ajanta:

Puja number of Ajanta was released on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at the Samsad Bhavan premises in a literary sitting. Contributors and well-wishers read out their own writings.

Special Number of Ajanta was released on the occasion of Gunijan Sambardhana on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

New Life Subscriber

Smt. Kabita Banerjee enrolled as life subscriber of Ajanta.

## **Dance & Drawing Classes:**

Dance, Drawing & Music classes are being held regularly at the Samsad Bhavan. The drawing classes are held on Sundays under the supervision of Shri Tapas Ray. Bharat Natyam classes are also held on Tuesday and Sunday under the supervision of Smt. Vani Rajmohan. Ms. Rupa Dutta conducting folk dance classes on Saturdays. Members interested are requested to contact the Samsad office. The Music class is being taken by Smt. Basanti Modak.

#### Games:

Carom tournament was held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Shri Biprajit Paul was the winner and Shri Joydeep Mukherjee was the runner up.

Football Tournament for the members of the Samsad was organized on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at the 3A Block Park near Samsad. Following three teams participated:

**Team A:** Prince Chowdhury, Aritra Patra, Subhhro Das, Arup Tiwari, and Rajesh Saha.

**Team B:** Joydeep Mukherjee, Subhashish Panja, Swapan Mondol, Abhijit Mitra, and Biprajit Paul.

**Team C:** Sanjay Bose, Sandip Bera, Gautam Mukherjee, and Ramen Roy.

Team A won the tournament while Team B was the runners up.

Prizes were distributed on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018 on the occasion of Bejoya Sammilani. Prizes were given by Shri P. K. Banerjee and Shri Rabin Chanda former Presidents of the Samsad.

#### **New Members:**

Following persons have been enrolled as new Life Members of the Samsad:

- Shri Kishore Bhattacharya, Ratan Pali, PO: Shantiniketan, Dist: Birbhum, West Bengal-731235
- 2. Ms. Swati Banerjee, Kallol, 115-B, Hem Chandra Mukherjee Road, East Park, Kolkata-700008
- 3. Ms. Chandra Majumdar, 296, Jodhpur Park, Kolkata-700068
- 4. Shri Debashish Sen, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Exam Deptt., C-1, Sector I, NOIDA-201301
- 5. Shri Gautam Mukherjee, 3A/13, Ist Floor, Sat Nagar, Karolbagh, New Delhi
- 6. Dr. Joydev Lahiri, B-12/4, Kalindi Housing Estate, PO: Lake Town, Kolkata-700089
- Shri Barsan Mukherjee, Aban Palli, Santiniketan, (Near Jora Bari) Birbhum,
   West Bengal-731235
- 8. Shri Debashish Chakraborty, Pusa

## **Condolence:**

Our Life Member, Shri Tarun Mukherjee, expired on 21st September 2018 after a brief illness.

Ms. Aparna Duttagupta, mother of our Life Member, Gayatri Chaddha expired on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

# Forthcoming events:

- 1. Republic day Flag Hoisting on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019
- 2. Saraswati Puja on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- 3. Samsad Bhavan inauguration day on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in the evening.
- 4. Diamond Jubilee sponsored Drama by Karolbagh Bangiya Samsad and Akriti at Muktodhara on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at 6.30 p.m.
- 5. Dol Utsov on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

