

# **Auroville News**

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## **Thirukkural**

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அ.:திறந்து வாழ்தும் எனல்.

**A heart of courage lives in light  
Devoid of that one's life is night.**

## **Rays of Light**

**No material organisation, whatever its degree of preparation, is capable of bringing a solution to the miseries of man.**

**Man must rise to a higher level of consciousness and get rid of his ignorance, limitations and selfishness in order to get rid also of his sufferings.**

The Mother.

## HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

Ainsi voyageait-elle à travers son moi silencieux.  
Elle est arrivée à une route débordante d'une foule ardente  
Qui se précipitait, brillante, les pieds en feu, les yeux ensoleillés,  
Pressée d'atteindre le mystérieux mur du monde  
Et d'arriver aux portes masquées du mental extérieur  
Où nulle Lumière n'entre ni les voix mystiques :  
Messagères de nos grandeurs subliminales  
Habitantes venues de la caverne de l'âme secrète.  
Elles faisaient irruption dans une obscure somnolence spirituelle  
Ou faisaient surgir dans notre moi éveillé un lointain émerveillement  
Des idées qui nous hantent par leur fil radieux  
Des rêves qui suggèrent une Réalité pas encore née,  
D'étranges déesses aux yeux magiques comme des fontaines profondes,  
Des dieux ardents, cheveux au vent, porteurs des harpes de l'espoir,  
De grandes visions teintées de lune qui glissent par un air doré,  
Les visages et les corps sculptés d'étoiles d'une Aspiration solaire qui rêve,  
Des émotions qui rendent sublimes les cœurs ordinaires.  
Et Savitri s'est mêlée à cette foule glorieuse,  
Assoiffée de la lumière spirituelle que ces êtres portaient,  
Impatiente de se hâter comme eux pour sauver le monde de Dieu ;  
Mais elle a refréné la haute passion de son cœur :  
Elle savait que, d'abord, elle devait découvrir son âme.  
Seuls ceux qui se sauvent eux-mêmes peuvent sauver les autres.  
Elle faisait face en sens contraire à l'énigmatique vérité de la vie ;  
Ceux qui apportent la lumière à la souffrance des hommes  
Couraient avec ardeur vers le monde extérieur ;  
Elle, ses yeux étaient tournés vers la source éternelle.  
Ouvrant les bras pour arrêter la foule, Savitri s'est écriée :  
« Ô heureuse compagnie des dieux de lumière,  
Révélez, vous qui savez, la route que je dois prendre  
Pour trouver le lieu de naissance du Feu occulte  
Et la demeure profonde de mon âme secrète  
Car sûrement cette sphère de lumière est votre pays. »  
Quelqu'un répondit, montrant du doigt un vague silence voilé  
Aux lointaines extrémités du sommeil  
En quelque fond reculé du monde intérieur.  
« Ô Savitri, nous venons de ton âme cachée.  
Nous sommes les messagers, les dieux occultes  
Qui aident la vie grise et lourde des hommes ignorants  
À s'éveiller à la beauté et à la merveille des choses  
En les touchant de la splendeur et de la divinité ;  
Dans le mal, nous allumons la flamme immortelle du bien  
Et tenons la torche de la connaissance sur les routes ignorantes ;  
Nous sommes ta volonté et la volonté de tous les hommes tendus vers la Lumière.  
Ô copie humaine, ô déguisement de Dieu  
Qui cherches la divinité que tu gardes cachée  
Et qui vis par la Vérité que tu ne connais pas,  
Suis jusqu'à sa source la grand-route sinueuse du monde.  
Là, dans le silence que rares ont jamais atteint  
Tu verras le Feu qui brûle sur la pierre nue  
Et la caverne profonde de ton âme secrète. »  
Alors, suivant l'antique route sinueuse  
Savitri est arrivée là où tout se resserrait à un étroit sentier  
Foulé seulement par de rares pèlerins aux pieds blessés.  
Quelques formes brillantes émergeaient de profondeurs inconnues  
Et la regardaient avec de calmes yeux immortels.  
Pas un son ne venait rompre l'immobile contemplation ;  
La silencieuse proximité de l'âme se sentait.

## HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

So she fared on across her silent self.  
To a road she came thronged with an ardent crowd  
Who sped brilliant, fire-footed, sunlight-eyed,  
Pressing to reach the world's mysterious wall,  
And pass through masked doorways into outer mind  
Where the Light comes not nor the mystic voice,  
Messengers from our subliminal greatnesses,  
Guests from the cavern of the secret soul.  
Into dim spiritual somnolence they break  
Or shed wide wonder on our waking self,  
Ideas that haunt us with their radiant tread,  
Dreams that are hints of unborn Reality,  
Strange goddesses with deep-pooled magical eyes,  
Strong wind-haired gods carrying the harps of hope,  
Great moon-hued visions gliding through gold air,  
Aspiration's sun-dream head and star-carved limbs,  
Emotions making common hearts sublime.  
And Savitri mingling in that glorious crowd,  
Yearning to the spiritual light they bore,  
Longed once to hasten like them to save God's world;  
But she reined back the high passion in her heart;  
She knew that first she must discover her soul.  
Only who save themselves can others save.  
In contrary sense she faced life's riddling truth:  
They carrying the light to suffering men  
Hurried with eager feet to the outer world;  
Her eyes were turned towards the eternal source.  
Outstretching her hands to stay the throng she cried:  
"O happy company of luminous gods,  
Reveal, who know, the road that I must tread,—  
For surely that bright quarter is your home,—  
To find the birthplace of the occult Fire  
And the deep mansion of my secret soul."  
One answered pointing to a silence dim  
On a remote extremity of sleep  
In some far background of the inner world.  
"O Savitri, from thy hidden soul we come.  
We are the messengers, the occult gods  
Who help men's drab and heavy ignorant lives  
To wake to beauty and the wonder of things  
Touching them with glory and divinity;  
In evil we light the deathless flame of good  
And hold the torch of knowledge on ignorant roads;  
We are thy will and all men's will towards Light.  
O human copy and disguise of God  
Who seekst the deity thou keepest hid  
And livest by the Truth thou hast not known,  
Follow the world's winding highway to its source.  
There in the silence few have ever reached,  
Thou shalt see the Fire burning on the bare stone  
And the deep cavern of thy secret soul."  
Then Savitri following the great winding road  
Came where it dwindled into a narrow path  
Trod only by rare wounded pilgrim feet.  
A few bright forms emerged from unknown depths  
And looked at her with calm immortal eyes.  
There was no sound to break the brooding hush;  
One felt the silent nearness of the soul.

## **MATRIMANDIR WORKERS TEAM**

### **MEETING OF 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2002**

**Present:** Arjun, Charu, Agni, Saravanan, Somu,  
Rakesh, Walter, Kusumben, Shiva,  
John, Amar, Durai, Lakshmi  
Narayan, Sido (part).

**Chairman:** Charu.

#### **1. Housing for Aurovilians working at Matrimandir:**

Durai, Agni, Saravanan, Rakesh, Sergei, Manimaran and Vladimir are all looking for new housing. The IDC has offered to meet them to discuss their request for a solution to their needs.

Agni will try to schedule a meeting with the IDC in the coming week.

#### **2. Financial Requests:**

- # 16 Stabilizers (2) for computer monitors  
Rs. 5,500.00
- # 17 Cement for Petals 100 bags  
Rs. 14,700.00

#### **3. Regarding Alain G.'s proposal for completing the gardens infrastructure:**

#### **Comments from various members of the team:**

- Let Alain G. discuss his proposal first with Roger and Paulo before we take it up, otherwise we are wasting time.
- Piero, Paulo and Roger should collaborate, should climb down from their personal positions and work together.
- Walter has already made in 1998-99 a preliminary estimate of the cost of carrying out the gardens, park and lake infrastructure.
- If Roger's garden design was really there, then why did he ask Paulo to do the gardens in January 2000?
- We have to consider the Park infrastructure in the same project along with that for the Inner Gardens. Both are LINKED, both must be worked out together.

- Until the overall garden design direction is clear, it is better to wait with trying to implement infrastructure.
- Alain should come for a more detailed discussion with us.
- Regarding Pathways, we should try to find the best solution for their drainage (i.e. to drain into the ground or into the lake?) The drainage technique to be used for the paths depends on the Lake. i.e. its level and size. This study should include the Paths of the Park.
- Paulo is now working on the Park design that will be ready in July - only then there can be more clarity.
- Let Alain G. come in September without conditions and start his assessment, we have no problem with that.

#### **Conclusion:**

"When Alain G is ready he can come to the meeting of the Matrimandir Team and get into a more detailed discussion of this topic with us, as it is quite complex".

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#### **Erratum**

In the AV News of last week an error occurred in the FAMC Report for April 2002.

In Section 2 Brihaspati: change of stewardship-allocation and finances: second para it says "The Brihaspati group's financial request was discussed in the Economy Group, and it was proposed to provide them with a 3-months maintenance through the Bridging Fund (a little over Rs. 1 lakh) plus Rs. 1.6 lakhs from the Repatriation Fund (which will put the Repatriation Fund in minus by approx Rs. 6 lakhs).

**The last parenthesis should read:** (which will put the Repatriation Fund in minus by approx Rs 50,000.00).

## From the Economy Group

During the month of May 2002 the Economy Group discussed a number of topics and issues, which included:

- A one time request from the Transport unit of SAIIR for Rs 45,000/= for annual repairs of the fleet of vehicles. This amount will be advanced to them now and then included in their monthly CF budget over the next twelve months, with the understanding that there will be no other increase in the coming year.
- Arul Varzhi School requested and received Rs 2,500 for nutrition expenses for a summer camp they are hosting.
- Rs 1,00,000/= from the regular Nutrition budget will be used for needed repairs on school buildings: the CF will allot Rs 50,000/= each month for May and June to cover the amount. This arrangement has been going on for a number of years and it is the Board of Education that decides the priorities.
- A new construction service unit named Aurodomus with Mario B. and Ireno as executives was proposed. There was some discussion about which Trust would be the most suitable for this unit to join: the new Trust for construction units, Kallai Kattida, was suggested as a possibility. After more discussion it was recommended that Aurodomus join the new Swagatam Trust, created recently to welcome newly formed units and ensure that, from the beginning, they are well placed to receive assistance and adopt uniform Auroville accounting procedures. The Economy Group will request the FAMC and WC to carry through the usual process for establishing a unit. It is expected that the unit will at least give the minimum CF contribution on behalf of the individuals involved.
- The Café Solar, under Auroville Fund. This unit, situated on the rooftop of the Solar Kitchen, has been set up in the wider context of providing for the needs of all without circulation of money. It is therefore understood that it will serve the needs of Financial Service account holders (Aurovilians, newcomers and guests) and will not accept cash payments. It will be managed in the spirit of all self-supporting services and will not be expected to make profits. This means that it will only charge the cost price plus a margin to replace wear and tear of material and equipment, and if needed, another margin to improve their facilities. It will also adhere to common policies in terms of maintenance of Aurovilians as well as the salaries of employees. These

guidelines are applicable to all activates linked to the Solar Kitchen area, including the proposed new For All Pour Tous complex.

- There was a request from Nandini that the maintenances of the individuals working there be covered by the CF rather than through the monthly contributions of those who join. This specific request quickly precipitated a wide-ranging discussion on the lack of adequate funding for basic services in general. The CF does not have the means to increase maintenances or the amount of partial subsidy for example, for meals at the Solar Kitchen, contributions to Nandini or, to increase the contributions to the Health Fund. It was noted that there appears to be a tendency for individuals and activities to cut collective contributions first — reducing support given to collective expenditures — and thereby giving the impression of a loss of collective spirit. Even though there is a need to constantly review costs so that they are appropriate, there is an even greater need to raise the level of contributions, including maintenances. It is hoped that the newly formed Economy Task Group will find ways and means to revamp the structure and dynamism of the CF with the support of other groups and activities including the ABC, project holders and any other potential money and idea generating activities.

- The Entry Group had sent an e-mail requesting that the Economy Group take responsibility for decisions relating to the Repatriation Fund, which provides tickets (mainly for reasons of health) to Aurovilians who may need to leave Auroville. The Economy Group agreed to do so temporarily in lieu of the fact that another appropriate body does not presently exist. The best place would be with a group that performs many of the functions as our former EC. **NB** The Repatriation Fund currently has a minus of Rs 50,000/= only, and not the much higher figure that was mistakenly printed a week or so ago due to a typing error in the April FAMC report.

- A letter was received from a group of Auroville artists, performers and teachers of dance and theatre to children and adults requesting funds for a series of performances by Aurovilians for Aurovilians. At present, most of the funds set aside for cultural programmes go to covering the expenses of guest artists and performers from outside Auroville. It was suggested that since the Auroville Development Scheme had over the past years chosen to give particular support to Auroville artists that it would be appropriate that all of the individual budgets be taken together and written up into a project to submit for consideration for funding through the next

annual budget. However, it must be noted that unless and until such funding can come through the Development Scheme or another channel, the community should be aware of the need for support of such valuable activities.

- There was a request from Buildaur, an all Auroville purchasing service for construction items, that the maintenances for those working there be provided through the CF. As it was originally conceived that the costs of maintaining Aurovilians, as with other expenses for the running of the service, would be covered by the volume of turnover, it was decided to introduce this activity to the wider community through a presentation to the FAMC.

- Waste Water management at the Solar Kitchen and the quality of drinking water at the Solar Kitchen, Kindergarten and Deepanam. At present the water has been certified as clean for drinking and all parties have agreed on a plan of action to maintain this level. Over the summer, the system will be improved in phases so that there is the minimum of disruption to ongoing activities, while at the same time ensuring a significant improvement in the overall system. Funding for the proper development of the entire system will come partially from funds for the new Pour Tous facilities that will be coming up near the Solar Kitchen and who will share the infrastructure, but approximately 5-6 additional lakhs of rupees will need to be found. This is an urgent topic for input and suggestions as the CF cannot take on the financing and it is also beyond the scope of funds available to the activities involved.

- An e-mail was received regarding the creation of a new unit called "C". (Those proposing C as information to the community have published the contents of the e-mail we received earlier in the AVNews.) Our initial conclusion was that the activities described may either continue, if they are ongoing, or begin under the already existing unit Brand New Day until it is clear that there is a need for a separate unit to be formed.

- An e-mail was received from the team at the Visitors Information Centre requesting advice and financial support in connection with a settlement for an employee who had an accident during the work. It was recommended that the WC and VIC team address the legalities involved together.

- A request from Aurore for a temporary credit line of up to Rs five lakhs was approved.

- No decision was taken on a request for an extended line of credit for Naturally Auroville as more details were needed.

- We did not have time to look into the details of the last two months figures of income and expenditure for the AVNews and an E-mail from the WC suggesting certain editorial guidelines and policies. This is an ongoing topic and will be taken up in due course.

The next CF Distribution meeting will take place sometime in mid-June. In the meantime, the Economy Task Group is having a series of meetings in which broader issues are being looked into: to clarify where we want to go with our economy, and to see which steps can be taken so that we arrive there together.

You are welcome to contact any of the members of the Economy Group (Judith, Otto, Pala, Rathinam) if you have any comments, suggestions or questions or if you prefer, e-mail us under the name "Economy".

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## NOTICE

An Auroville Board of Education has been constituted to further the cause of education in the Auroville area. Existing institutions are invited to send in the names of their representatives on the Board to the Chairman. For the present the Board will operate from the After School Office.

Shankar Acharya  
Chairman  
Auroville Board of Education

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## AUROVILLE ELECTRICAL SERVICE

### II nd Batch of Electrician training course at New Creation Training Centre.

We announce that the second batch of Electrician Training course has just commenced at New Creation Training School from 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2002. Auroville boys who are interested to get admitted in the above course are to give their application to Mr. Ponnusamy, Executive, Auroville Electrical Service as soon as possible.

M. Ponnusamy  
Executive.

**C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM**

**SUNDAY 9 JUNE - 7.30 PM**

(Film show starting at 7.45 sharp)

2nd of the French "Detective Films" - in collaboration with the Embassy of France and the Alliance Française, Pondicherry:

**VIVEMENT DIMANCHE !**

(CONFIDENTIALLY YOURS)

Directed by François TRUFFAUT - France, 1983  
With: Fanny Ardant, Jean-Louis Trintignant, Philippe Laudenbach, Caroline Sihol, Jean-Pierre Kalfon  
Setting: For his twenty first and last film, François Truffaut choose to shoot in black and white for an homage to the films noirs which he grew up with. (not for children) - Original French version, with English subtitles - Duration: 1h38' - B & W - 35mm film

**C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM**

**FRIDAY 14 JUNE - 7.30 PM**

(Film show starting at 7.45 sharp)

**HAMLET**

Directed by Gregori KOZINTSEV - U.S.S.R. 1964  
With: Innokentij Smoktunovski, Anastasia Vertinskaja, Jurij Tobulev  
Setting: Superb Classical Russian film version of W. Shakespeare's tragedy. The ghost of the king appears to his son the Prince of Denmark, and reveals him that he has been murdered by Claudius who has usurped the crown and married the queen, Gertrud... TO BE CONFIRMED - Original Russian version, with English subtitles - Duration: 2h.30' - 35mm film - B & W

**GERMAN VIDEO @ Visitor's Center  
Wednesday, 12.June 8 p.m.**

**LEBEWOHL, MEINE KONKUBINE**

(Hongkong/China/Taiwan, 1993)

mit

Leslie Cheung, Zhang Fengyi, Gong Li, Lu Qi  
Betoerender Bilderrausch von Glanz und Niedergang der Peking-Oper.

1924, der zierlich gebaute Douzi macht als Frauendarsteller eine steile Karriere an der chinesischen Oper, doch verliert er dabei seine Identitaet. Ein Drama um Maennerfreundschaft, die am Ende durch eine Frau gestoert wird.

**Video in English at Visitor's Centre**

Saturday 8th June at 8pm

**"THE RAIN MAKER"**

With Matt Damon/Danny DeVito

Dir. Francis Ford Coppola

1997/2h15'

**Flamenco**

**La passion flamenco**

**Film (video) by Carlos Saura**

100 minutes of dance and music with over 300 singers, dancers and guitarists who has ever been assembled at one time.

Paco de Lucía, Joaquín Cortés, Manolo Sanlúcar, Mario Maya, El Agujetas, Fernanda de Utrera, José Menese, Enrique Morente, Merche Esmeralda, Farruco, Carmen Linares, El Grilo, Duquende, Potito, Ketama,...

The initial scene of the film suggests that flamenco music was somehow mystically present at the very creation of the world. Explain how the component of these opening shots accomplish this portrayal of flamenco as cosmogony.

**Visitor Center, Sunday June 16, 7.30 pm**

**Pitanga News**

**L'Art du Chi**

Tai Ji Quan Practise with Hans is resuming from next week, starting 10/06, onwards

Monday 7.00 - 8.30 am

Friday 7.00 - 8.30 am

Everyone is welcome!

**Body Awareness**

Classes with Hans will resume from 13/06 onwards

Wednesday 6.30 - 8.00 pm

Everyone is welcome!

Pitanga Ph. 622 561, mail: pitanga@auroville.org.in

**Auroville Fund Telephone Number**

The telephone number of Auroville Fund to be found in the directory is temporarily not working. Please make note that Auroville Fund can be reached on 622879.

**Dear Community members,**

This is ASHOK from Arya appealing to you. I am presently working at avvehicle service, after having served in the Av Boutique in Pondy for some years, and being involved actively in sports and educational work in the villages with AVAA.

I have an invitation to go to U.S. to attend an international youth camp in COLORADO this July, to get a training in creative, initiatory youth work, and to present some of our cultural projects from the Auroville bioregion.

The US programme is sponsoring the ticket fare and the stay there for a month, but I still need support for travel insurance (around Rs 6800) and visa fee (Rs 7000) and some pocket money, which I'm not able to raise from my basic maintainance.

I will be really grateful to all of you if I could get support to make my trip successful, in establishing an active link for further exchange programs for AV Youth.

I'm planning to keep the community in touch, about my travels and experiences through regular notes in the News. Our Pour Tous A/C is # 3430

Thank you !

**MESSAGE FOR the SWISS NATIONALS**

Please take note that for the months of JUNE and JULY'02 - the Swiss have a new coordinator for Auroville & Pondicherry area :

Mr Andre COURTINE "Dayakara" Auroville  
Tel + Fax 622 980

E.mail : <amcourtine@satyam.net.in>

Please phone between 18h to 20h only.

Also, the General Consul of Switzerland, Mumbai will be in Chennai for the National Day - 1st August's programme and he is planning to come for a visit to Auroville & Pondy on 2nd or 3rd August. Should we make a day programme with a "tea Party" or the dinner if he will stay for the night?

To be accommodated in AV guest house ?

Please, your feed back is NECESSARY to see in which direction we should proceed ?

Pl. get in touch with Andre Courtine -

THANKING you in advance for your cooperation.

- Gerard - gerardorchard@auroville.org.in

**Thank you**

The Presidents, secretaries and the members of the AUROVILLE BASKETBALL CLUBS thank all the donors, supporters and well-wishers for their open heartedness in supporting the **2<sup>nd</sup> ALL INDIA INVITATION BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** for Women & Men from the 30<sup>th</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2002 at New Creation Sports Ground. It was a grand success and all the participants from the various states have thanked us all for the wonderful opportunity to interact with us and expressed their eagerness to come back to Auroville again the following year for the 3<sup>rd</sup> All India invitational basketball tournament. This demonstrates the receptivity of the idea of Auroville in the youth coming from the far off regions and interacting with us through basketball. Once again, we thank you all for your generosity in helping us provide this wonderful experience of Auroville to the youth from the different states of India.

P.S., This is also to remind all those friends and unit executives that we have not yet received their promised help with the funds and that we are in debt since we had to borrow the remaining amount. Please help us; our account No. is 2353 Aspiration Sports.

Thank you again for your help.

Organizers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> All India Invitation basketball tournament.

**Pondy Telephone Directory**

The Telephone Department is supplying the 2002 Pondicherry telephone directory cum Yellow Pages to their subscribers, free of cost. It is available at our desk at Aurelec. Please return any old directory.

**Telephone Service****Accommodation available**

WeDK, the youth house in Prarthna has one room available for a young adult Aurovilian (working or student). Please contact Bobby at 623404/623598 or WeDK 622380 between 7-8pm or write to bobby@auroville.org.in at the earliest.

Thanks

**Para los espanoles:**

Ha sido recibido un mensaje del Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores transmitido por la Embajada de Espana en New Delhi, que aconseja a los espanoles de consultar el web: [www.mae.es](http://www.mae.es) referente a la actual situacion entre Pakistan e India.

Embajada de Espana N.D India.



AMPHITHEATER Thursday 13.6. at 6 p.m.  
The Book of Yoga Canto 3

**The Entry into the inner consciousness**

" At the dim portal of the inner life  
 That bars out from our depths the body's mind  
 And all that lives but by the body's breath,  
 She knocked and pressed against the ebony gate.  
 The living portal groaned with sullen hinge:  
 Heavily reluctant it complaint inert  
 Against the tyranny of the spirit's touch.  
 A formidable voice cried from within:  
 'Back, creature of earth, lest tortured and torn thou die.'  
 A dreadful murmur rose like a dim sea;  
 The serpent of the threshold hissing rose,  
 A fatal guardian hood with monstrous coils,  
 The hounds of darkness growled with jaws agape  
 And trolls and gnomes and goblins scowled and stred  
 and wild beast roarings thrilled the blood with fear  
 And menace muttered in a dangerous tongue.  
 Unshaken her will pressed on the rigid bars;  
 The gate swung wide with a protesting jar,  
 the opponent powers withdrew their dreadful guard;  
 Her being entered into the inner worlds.

Aurovilians, sunny-eyed children of the Mother  
 are invited warmly to listen to Sunil's Savitri  
 music at the Amphitheater at 6 p.m. 13.6.  
 Divine flowers will be served..

- Sigrid

Dear friends,  
 Wishing to preserve my freedom and independence  
 of action, I have decided to withdraw myself from  
 the "Matrimandir Amphitheatre Group."  
 Nevertheless I will still preside over the play of the  
 delightful Sunil's music Savitri with my friend Sigrid  
 every Thursday 6 p.m. until further notice.  
 Come and enjoy the musical fragrance of the breeze.  
 Om Shanti !  
 SOHAM

AUROVILLE WATER SERVICE

The FAMC is in the process of reorganizing the  
 Water Service in Auroville. However, there is still the  
 need for repair and maintenance of the pumps and  
 water installations in Auroville.

Therefore, the Aurovilians who have been doing this  
 work for the last years are still ready to continue the  
 work until the new water maintenance system is in  
 place.

If you need our help, kindly contact us at the  
 following phone numbers: 622775 (Babu) and  
 623018 (Jaymurthi).

Thanking you,  
 Babu, Shanmugam, Nagappan, Jaymurthi.

**Opening of sub-school of Kuyilapallayam School  
 Trust in Bommayarpallayam**

**On Wednesday June 5th morning  
 (World Environment Day)**

The first phase of the school is completed.

Three classrooms, two for kindergarten and the first  
 grade, separate toilets for girls and boys, a bore well, a  
 water tank and a storeroom are built.

We are all very happy as it looks beautiful, there is the  
 sense of openness, air, space and beauty, nicely  
 integrated in the environment.

At 6 a.m. we started with a ceremonial pooja and at 9  
 a.m. the first children and teachers came to open the  
 school.

The heart of the school campus is the old Mango tope,  
 where we will construct a platform for communal  
 activities. The old trees vibrate a special atmosphere.  
 Mangifera indica (the mango tree) is also called  
 "Nature's hope for realisation".

Sri Aurobindo says: "The Divine reveals himself in the  
 world around us when we look upon that world with a  
 spiritual desire of delight that seeks him in all things."

The Mother adds: "At these blessed hours all earth  
 sings a hymn of gladness, the grasses shudder with  
 pleasure, the air is vibrant with light, the trees lift  
 towards heaven their most ardent prayer, the chant of  
 the birds becomes a canticle, the waves of the sea  
 billow with love, the smile of children tells of the infinite  
 and the souls of men appear in their eyes."

We planted Terminalia catappa; the Tamil people call it  
 the Badam. Its different layers will give a nice shade in  
 the future, and the children will collect the almond like  
 fruits.

It is a tree with a spiritual aspiration, which rises up like  
 an arrow, without caring for obstacles. Let's hope we  
 overcome our future obstacles in this way.

In the future we would like to create a complete  
 primary school.

We wish and hope that the school will help to improve  
 "the environment" of Auroville  
 in many ways.

Kireet (Gerard Jak)

TO LEND FOR SIX MONTHS (until November 15th).

Is anybody interested in borrowing

A new fridge (middle size)

A gas stove (two burners - No gas bottle)

1 folding single bed with mattress.

Whoever is interested, please contact Alain Couderc  
 at 622168 (Csr) during the working hours.

Email: <alainc@auroville.org.in>

**An alle Deutschen in Auroville**

(Information from the German Consulate)

Meldung des Generalkonsulates der Bundesrepublik Deutschland Chennai betreffs des Konfliktes zwischen Indien und Pakistan:

Das Auswaertige Amt raet allen in Indien befindlichen deutschen Staatsbuergern deren Anwesenheit hier nicht zwingend erforderlich ist ihre Ausreise in Erwaeung zu ziehen. Bitte verfolgen sie die weitere Entwicklung auch in den Medien, ein Ausbruch von Kriegshandlungen kann nicht ausgeschlossen werden.

Weitere Informationen unter  
[www.auswaertiges-amt.de](http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de)

**News from AuroAnnam and from the AV Library**

At the AV Library, German readers will find a new book, a book on EM-X, the EM-based health drink, written in 1998 by Dr. Shigeru Tanaka, a Japanese medical doctor. The title of the book is "EM-X". An English translation is not yet available, but in preparation.

EM-X is a drink for humans, based on EM ("Effective Microorganisms"). The microorganisms of EM are, since centuries, primarily used for processing and fermentation of human foods. While EM is manufactured in India and available from AuroAnnam, EM-X is not yet on the market. In those countries where it is available, it is sold at high prices.

Tanaka's book on EM-X mainly focusses on its anti-oxidative role in the human body. In the following we are quoting from this book, page 51f, translated into English: If you get hold of EM as a soil conditioner, you are likely to find the following statement on the label: "Not meant for human consumption. Liabilities due to damages beyond its prescribed use not accepted." In spite of this cautionary advice many people do drink EM. ... Some years ago, farmers have started drinking EM in small amounts. They would mix it into milk or honey. Applied on skin, EM healed atopic conditions, long-standing constipation dissapeared, gastric ulcera healed. A whole series of stories of such cures was published. As a medical doctor, I am of course not permitted to recommend drinking of EM. In an earlier publication, Professor Higa had stated that "in general,

drinking (of EM) will not do any harm. However, you do it at your own risk."

Tanaka reports of cases of cancer, diabetes, rheumatism, liver diseases etc. in which EM-X - as a drink or as intravenous infusion - has contributed significantly to the recovery of health. He further reports that some people on EM-X intake suffer from initial effects such as sleepiness, diarrhoea, and fever. These symptoms are self-limiting and should be regarded as a phase of adaptation. Tanaka further states that in cases of deteriorated intestinal flora, ingested EM has a stronger beneficial effect than EM-X.

However, those who want to drink EM, should do it in minimal amounts and be prepared to go through a short phase of crisis and adaptation.

It is absolutely safe - and often beneficial - to apply EM on the body surface, on non-lacerated skin, e.g. in cases of prickly heat. (In the eyes however, EM will, due to its acidity, cause burning irritation, as does lemon juice. Please wash liberally with water.) We state again that people who drink EM, will do it at their own risks.

For German readers: we also draw your attention to the fact that a recent issue (no. 116/2002) of the German journal "raum&zeit", at your disposal at AV Library, contains an article on EM and EM-related health drinks, page 83.

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**News From Quiet**

Dr Nandita Shah (homeopath) is back. You may call Quiet for appointments.

Quiet Healing Centre,  
 Tel +91 (0)413 623007  
 Email - [nandita\\_shah@vsnl.com](mailto:nandita_shah@vsnl.com)  
 Website - <http://www.nandita-shah.net>

**Having Fun**

Never Ending school  
 Auroville students of age 10 - 20 are welcome to the Chaler Garden (Ami) to learn to Carve. We will be carving all mornings, starting at 8.30 am. From Monday the 10th till 30th of June. Sundays Holidays.

Love Himal.

**Responsible housesitter needed for the month of July.**  
**Contact Kathryn at 622-985.**

**L'ART DU CHI****in Tadvanam Hall, Evergreen.**

The School of the Inner Way teaches a corporeal art, oriented towards Well-Being and Health.

It's background lies in the Traditional Chinese Internal Arts, Tai Ji Quan and Qi Qong. One learns to perceive the Chi and to use it for better health.

**PROGRAM**

BEGINNERS: 24 POSTURES-

Monday, Wednesday: 4.30-6.30pm

INTERMEDIATE: 108 POST. -

Wednesday, Saturday: 7.00-9.30am

ADVANCED: 127 POST. -

Monday 9.00-10.15, Thursday 8.30- 9.45  
Sunday:am,practise

KIRIKI (KIRI KUNG-FU,for all) -

Tuesday, Thursday 6.30-8.00am

TAI JI QUAN- PRACTISE(for all)in PITANGA-

Monday, Friday: 7.00-8.30am

BODY AWARENESS-

Regaining control and awareness of the body through gentle excersises, relaxation and breath.

-workshop of 5 sessions in July

-wednesdays 6.30-8.00pm in Pitanga

For more information: [tadvanam@auroville.org.in](mailto:tadvanam@auroville.org.in)

or telephone Hans 622586

The way to Evergreen lies next to the Ami/Abri roads.

**All are welcome!**

**NEWS FROM AURIGINAL**

Hello everyone, We will be closed on the 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 27th and 28th JUNE, (Those days there are no matches)All the other days we will remain open as usual.

SATURDAY`S MATCHES(8june)

@ 12pm South Africa - Slovenia

@ 2:30pm Italy - Croatia

@ 5pm Brazil - China

SUNDAY`S MATCHES (9june)

@ 12pm Mexico - Ecuador

@ 2:30pm Costa Rica - Turkey

@ 5pm Japan - Russia

DON`T MISS @ 9pm on Sunday 9th june...

BOXING MATCH LIVE (shown at the Pizzeria)

Mike Tyson VS Lennox Lewis

See you all there..... Ciao,The Aurigiginal Team

**INDUSTRIAL- AND RESIDENTIAL SPACE FOR RENT OR TRANSFER**

A total of 690m2 of Industrial - and Residential Space on a fully developed plot 0.55 acres in the Industrial Zone is available for rent or transfer. This comprises the following:

FACTORY of ~ 200m2 plus Basement (fully water-proof) of 62m2;  
ALSO FOR RENT SHARED BETWEEN SEVERAL UNITS

OFFICE FLOOR of ~ 200m2;  
ALSO FOR RENT SHARED BETWEEN SEVERAL UNITS

RESIDENCE of ~ 175m2; Living, Dining cum Kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, Study, Bath, Walk-in Closet, huge Verandha and Terrace  
4 Store-rooms of total 60m2; 3phase current; reliable watersupply  
ONLY FOR TRANSFER THROUGH HOUSING GROUP

4 Store-rooms of total 60m2; 3phase current; reliable watersupply

Please phone 622 067 (Matthias & Dodo) or contact [matthias@auroville.org.in](mailto:matthias@auroville.org.in)

**Notice**

I Shankar Mohan Arora, at present residing in Utility, Auroville, wish hereafter to be known as Shankar Mohan Acharya.

Looking for someone responsible and who likes dogs to house-sit for two or three months from June 21st.  
Phone: 622083

**UPDATE ON SERVICE CHARGES OF AUROVILLE VEHICLE SERVICE**

1) DRIVING LICENCE Only MCWG/MCWOG =Rs. 800  
Only LMV/MCWG =Rs. 1200

2) RENEWAL OF LLR  
1 category MCWG =Rs.130

3) RENEWAL OF LICNCE  
No category listed. For all Rs.500

4) TRANSFER Only LMV =Rs.700  
LMV+ MCWG =Rs. 1000

5) ADDDITIONAL ENDORSEMENT  
Driving Test = Rs. 650

6) LOST OF LICENCE  
All applicants =Rs.500

7) CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP  
Motorcycles.. Mcwg/Mcwog = Rs. 400  
Light motor vehicle car/mini van = Rs. 600

### Update on Kuyilappalayam School Trust 2002

In a rural area were literally only a handful of people had been able to study beyond High school, and many were illiterate (specially women) and without much knowledge about anything, Kuyilappalayam School Trust has grown from scratch in 1993 to a High School with 540 students in the ages 3 till 16.

Since 1997, 5 batches of students have finished their 10<sup>th</sup> standard S.S.L.C. exams, recognized everywhere in Tamil Nadu and India; they **all** passed 'first class' with more then 60% marks (in India you pass with 35 %). This June 2002, of 8 boys and 8 girls that went for the test, the lowest got 67 % average and the highest (a girl from Edaiyanchavadi) got 93 %.

The students come from Kuyilappalayam, Bommaiarpalayam, Edaiyanchavadi, Chinna Mudaliar Chavadi, Kottakarai and even further away. Our teachers are all well qualified, including the ones for Music, Sport and Classical Dance. Some come all the way daily from as far as Villapuram.

### New developments:

The Mailam Swamy agreed for a long lease for an additional 2.6 acres of land, opposite to NCC (except for a few private plots), which brings our total to 6.75 acres. With this we fulfill the government rules for minimum area for a school from kindergarten all the way up to 12<sup>th</sup> standard.

June 2002 we start with a 11<sup>th</sup> standard group; we strive to become a Higher Secondary school. This will help a lot of students who until now were forced to go to expensive and not necessary good schools far away. Additional bureaucratic roadblocks like birth and nativity certificates have stopped 60% of our local students despite their good marks.

We will start with four streams: 1. Math, Physics, Chemistry and Computer Science; 2. Math, Physics, Chemistry and Biology; 3. Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology and 4. Business Math, Commerce, Accountancy, Economics.

Also in June 2002 we will open our second location campus close to Bommaiarpalayam (on AV land) we will have 3 classrooms for the smallest children. Kireet from Gaia's garden fundraised in Holland for this building.

We got donations for a big school bus; with 2 locations and many small children from different villages this becomes necessary. Also, to get a better choice of teachers we have to pick them up at the bus stands.

We are a Tamil medium school, but we are putting additional effort now on English. Now we start English from Kindergarten.

All this is only possible because of the sacrifices of a

number of dedicated teachers and staff, plus the financial support especially from Palmyra with the German DIK organisation and the Austrian OIK.

KST has now 6 trustees of which 4 are Aurovilians.

- Anton

### Fruit Lover

"The More things a man is ashamed of, the more respectable he is" (George Bernard Shaw, 1856- 1950)

Everybody like fruits. But if this lover isn't human creature we use a special name for it: pest. In Auroville there is a fruit moth (or nut moth) *Nephopteryx* (*Thylacoptera*) *Paurosema*. It is grey and small. But the specialists say that this tiny insect damages cashews very seriously. Its caterpillars bore into the fruits, either the nut or the apple and feed within.

Dr. Narayanan together with Rita and Njal are studying the moth. They are searching an optimal way to limit the numbers of this insect. The use of chemical pesticides is a great shame for the respectable mankind who needs to find a system of soft, gentle methods for his gardens and fruit plantations. There is no other alternative for people: in future they will have to be eco-friendly.

Boris

### AUROVILLE CHILD DEVELOPMENT

New Creation "Le libre Progres"

Our action is small but wants to grow and open to all.

New Creation came into existence by the singular idea that we cannot really grow if we cannot grow together. But when we think "together", it is in the sense of a true fraternity which will unify us, not by ethnic affinities, but by a basic truth that nothing cannot be rejected, ignored or put aside. Only by taking all the burden of the reality on which Auroville took birth will the roots grow deep in order to build a strong base on which the Ideal nurture a true change without the risk of tumbling.

This cannot be an isolated work, but to be achieved by a collective awareness, not only with our heads but even moreso with our hearts.

It needs only to say "yes" then offering a presence, even one hour. Offering the material support we need for the activities, even symbolic. This may create an atmosphere, a good will, a collective joy for a larger life, which could finally remove many obstacles from our progress.

Since the 25 April all the children of the Creche became residents of New Creation. Our feeling is : "Children learn what they live" and we want to give them the best.

If you are willing to bring your support to the children of Auroville, come and visit us.

Auroville Maintenance Fund A/C 2669.

At the service of Truth.

Auroville Child Development, New Creation  
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