

Auroville News

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Dear Community,

By now many of you, and us, are deeply saddened and frustrated by the ongoing struggle around the Matrimandir and the apparent inability to resolve it.

The polarisation of the issues, sharpening of opposite standpoints, political overtones, strategic games and war-like modes of interaction being demonstrated, cause a good number of Aurovilians to turn away in dismay, understandably unwilling to subject themselves to this long drawn-out struggle over our 'soul', taking place at the very heart of the township.

Even so, we all know that the importance of this issue exceeds by far the vision and scope of just two groups. IT CONCERNS US ALL, AND MORE.

You may be aware that the Working Committee & Support Group have been trying to develop an approach that aims towards a unified solution that would find agreement among all parties concerned.

Via a good number of meetings - Residents' Assemblies, General Meetings, smaller group meetings, personal meetings - that were admittedly not always wholly successful, we have been trying to engage more and more Aurovilians in seeking a true resolution to the conflict.

In this spirit, we again appeal to all of you who feel that how we resolve the current standoff at Matrimandir is as essential to the development of a true (i.e. Mother's) Auroville as what we do there. We are asking you to step in and help unblock the stalemate through your active and constructive participation, so that a more collective search for agreement can gather momentum.

"You must all agree", Mother said, "That is the only way to do good work."

The next follow-up meeting on this issue takes place on Monday, October 28th 2002, at SAWCHU, 5 – 7 pm sharp.

Please, if you feel it matters, do attend!

Working Committee & Support Group

HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

SRI AUROBINDO RÉPOND

Je regrette ma colère, ma haine et mes actes violents. Toute la nuit, j'ai essayé de mettre en avant ces pensées et de les établir en moi: « Qu'est-ce que tu gagnes à battre quelqu'un ? Est-ce de l'âme, du mental ou du vital de la personne battue que tu dois te venger ? » « Ne fait-il pas, lui aussi, le travail de Mère ? Comment peux-tu haïr quelqu'un qui sert le Divin ? » Et ça continue ainsi. J'ai tout fait pour chasser ces pensées, et ce matin, elles avaient disparu.

Mais est-ce parce que vous vous identifiez au mouvement et ne le rejetez pas ? Ce n'est pas que vous n'ayez pas le pouvoir de le faire – vous avez montré que vous en êtes capable -, votre mental est assez rationnel et votre volonté assez forte pour le faire. Il est évident que quelque chose dans votre mental a accepté ce mouvement et s'est identifié à lui, sinon il n'aurait pu se produire, et pas seulement une fois dans un accès de colère, mais une deuxième fois, presque intentionnellement. C'est inacceptable. Vous devez réagir immédiatement et vous arrêter. Il est inadmissible que vous vous laissiez posséder et diriger ainsi par une Force vitale obscure. Ce sentiment irrationnel de haine doit, lui aussi, être déraciné et chassé définitivement. Il ne saurait y avoir de demi-mesure pour ce genre de choses. Le moindre laisser-aller dans ce domaine revient à trahir le Divin en vous.

17 mars 1933

J'ai eu encore envie de punir mon corps à cause de petites erreurs que j'ai commises.

Ces impulsions d'autodestruction ou de violence envers les autres sont, comme je vous l'ai déjà dit, des suggestions hostiles. Il faut les rejeter immédiatement et complètement.

J'ai eu toute la journée une sensation de brûlure. Et tandis que j'écris, j'ai une sensation d'irritation dans le cervelet (l'arrière et le bas du crâne). Cette irritabilité est-elle due à ma nature animale, ou au fait que je bois du thé ? Comment faire pour ne plus m'en inquiéter ?

Oui, c'est l'animal dans l'être nerveux. Le thé est mauvais pour les nerfs, il faut donc éviter d'en boire. Le rejet doit être constant ; tranquillisez-vous...appelez le calme dans les cellules.

21 mars 1933

Sur combien de plans les hostiles existent-ils et agissent-ils ?

Sur les trois plans ordinaires, mental, vital et physique. C'est seulement dans le psychique ou au-dessus du mental qu'ils sont dans l'incapacité d'agir.

Quelle est la différence entre un raisonnement et un discernement intellectuels rapides et une perception et un discernement intuitifs ?

La perception, le discernement intuitif se suffit à lui-même – il n'a besoin d'aucun raisonnement, ou processus de la pensée, pour se justifier. Le discernement intellectuel dépend de données et d'une démarche, même si la démarche est accélérée et les données saisies rapidement et absorbées par l'intelligence.

22 mars 1933

Aujourd'hui le mal de tête et la brûlure dans les yeux ont diminué, mais il y avait une sensation de chaleur en moi et autour de moi. Est-ce la chaleur d'une conscience supérieure ? Est-ce un processus de lente immunisation, pour que la chaleur de cette conscience puisse demeurer dans toutes les parties de l'être sans être ressentie comme chaleur ou comme quelque chose d'anormal ?

Une chaleur est produite parfois dans le corps par la pression d'une Force de *tapas*, parce qu'il y a des choses qui résistent dans les habitudes vitales ou corporelles, ou dans le mental cérébral – ce n'est donc pas la force qui crée la chaleur, mais la résistance. Dès que l'organisme est nettoyé, cette sensation de chaleur disparaît. Mais cette chaleur se distingue nettement de la chaleur d'une maladie.

23 mars 1933

HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

SRI AUROBINDO ANSWERS

I regret my anger, hatred and violent action. The whole night I tried to put forth these ideas and establish them in me: "What do you get by beating someone? Is it the soul or mind or vital of the person beaten that you have to take revenge against?" "He is also doing Mother's work. How can you hate one who serves the Divine?" And so on. I struggled to push them out and by morning they vanished.

But is it that you identify yourself with the movement and do not reject it? It is not that you have not the power – you have shown that you can do it – your mind is rational enough and your will strong enough to do it. It is evident that something in your mind accepted and identified itself with it, otherwise it could not have happened, not only once in a fit of anger, but a second time as if with purpose. This will not do. You must react at once and stop it. It is inadmissible that you should allow yourself to be possessed and driven by a dark vital Force like that. The irrational feeling of hatred must also be rooted up and cast away for ever. There can be no half measures with these things. The slightest indulgence to such things is a betrayal of the Divine within you.

17 March 1933

Again the feeling came to injure my body severely for some slight mistakes I made.

These impulses towards self-injury or violence to others are, as I said before, hostile suggestions. They must be thrown out immediately and entirely.

There has been a burning sensation the whole day. Even as I write, I feel a sense of irritation in the cerebellar region (back and lower part of the cranium). Is this irritability due to the animal nature in me or is it due to the effect of drinking tea? How can I stop worrying about it?

Yes, it is the animal in the nervous being. Tea is bad for the nerves, so should be avoided. Reject always, quiet yourself – call down the quiet into the cells.

21 March 1933

On how many planes do the hostiles exist and act?

On all the three ordinary planes, mental, vital, physical. It is only in the psychic or the above mind that they cannot at all act.

What is the difference between a swift intellectual reasoning and discrimination, and an intuitive perception and discrimination?

The intuitive perception or discrimination is self-sufficient – it does not need any reasoning or process of thought to justify it. The intellectual depends on data and steps, even if the steps are hurried over or the data are rapidly seized and swallowed into the intelligence.

22 March 1933

Today there was less headache and burning in the eyes, but there was the feeling of heat around and within me. Is this the heat of some higher consciousness? Is this a process of slow immunisation, so that the heat of that consciousness can remain constantly in all the parts without being felt as heat or anything abnormal?

A heat is sometimes created in the body by the pressure of a Force of *tapas* because there are things that resist in the vital or in the body habit or in the brain-mind, - the cause of the heat is therefore not the force itself but the resistance. As soon as the system is cleared, there is no sense of heat any longer. But this heat is clearly distinguishable from illness.

23 March 1933

WORKING COMMITTEE REPORT SEPTEMBER 1 – OCTOBER 15/02

Members and Mandate

Since our last Report two of our members, Anna Maria and AuroVici have resigned. Isabelle has been TOS for the last month and will not return until November 15th. Janet is helping Valli, our Secretary with some of the notetaking. Our mandate and that of the Support Group have been extended until the next Working Committee is in place, as long as this happens by November 15th.

Consultation

The WC and the Support Group have had several sessions with Ulf Mueller, a consultant in teamwork and organization from Sweden. The plan is that he and three other consultants from Sweden will come to Auroville over the next four to five years to work with the different groups in our organization. He made some of the following observations, which have been very helpful in terms of working on our processes:

The Western way of doing things is to make quick decisions, and then spend a lot of time selling the idea to people. This way of doing things is no longer working anywhere in the world because people do not want to be told what to do. The Eastern way is to take a longer time in the involution phase, because it takes a long time to come to a consensus. To come to consensus there has to be a high level of resonance, but once decisions are taken in this way, it takes very little time to implement them.

Ulf has observed that in Auroville, most Working Groups are following the Western way and it is not working. People do not like being ordered or having decisions made for them.

Meetings, which are busy, are usually fragmented and there is no resonance. This is very common in Auroville. Working Groups are dysfunctional because people are not taking the time to come together.

We can come together on many levels. In Auroville in the 70's we came together for survival. Groups can also come together on a functional level. As well there are much deeper levels of resonance. We need to find out on which level we resonate together. Then we can hope for consensus.

When we say "I can do it for you" there is a problem. We need to pass our skills on and train others. Many people in Auroville have started a lot of good things and all they are getting back from the community is a lot of negativity. Why? The community does not want to have things done for it. It wants to be included.

Matrimandir

Much of our time has been spent among ourselves and in consultation with the Support Group about how to resolve the various issues, which are dividing the community over the Matrimandir. Some of these issues are practical, like the design of the lake and gardens, and the size of a passageway. Others have to do with communication problems between the architect, the MWT and the Community. We have organized two General Meetings and two Residents Assembly Meetings on the issues following a petition signed by 161 Aurovilians. Our conclusion is that the Matrimandir is about human unity and it is of the utmost importance that we find ways to harmonize the various points of view. It is our firm conviction that the processes laid down in the Experiment are a tool for reaching the necessary agreements to proceed and a meeting for forming one or more Task Oriented Residents' Assemblies (TORAs) on the topics is set for October 28th. Meanwhile various members of the WC and Support Group are talking to Roger, the MWT and some of the people proposed by the RA to assist with the completion of the work.

The Resource Group (formerly the ARG).

The Working Committee organized the collection of names for this group and called the first meeting of the members. (The list is available on the Intranet). Since this time the Resource Group has taken up the task of forming the next WC/Auroville Council and making a list of the topics it will take up in the near future.

The Experiment

It has come to our attention that many people do not understand how the Experiment works and indeed we feel ourselves that the document is not always clear. We will address this matter as early as possible.

Governing Board Meeting

We spent quite some time organizing the Governing Board Meeting and spending time with various members. The details of the meeting have been printed in AVNews #958, dated September 28th.

Iyenar and Bala

Although the Working Committee has been working on several bail applications, Bala and Iyenar are still in jail. We hope this situation is about to change.

Exit Policy

The Governing Board has advised that Auroville develop a code of conduct for Aurovilians, containing, for instance, what is totally unacceptable and what is

desirable. It also suggested that Auroville work on a set of regulations for the admission and removal of persons to and from the Register of Residents in accordance with the Auroville Foundation Act. We have been working on a draft, but it is incomplete so we will hand this matter over to the next Working Committee.

Valentina's House

We spent quite some time on the matter of Valentina and Igor, who were Newcomers. They have apparently committed serious irregularities with the inheritance of an Ashramite, which eventually led to the Entry Group withdrawing their Newcomer Status. Since then the Housing Group has allotted their house in Prayathna to Galina and Valery.

Elumalai's House

With help from the IDC, the Housing Group and Kripa, Elumalai has been allocated a newcomer house in Sve Dame for the time being.

Shanker Arora

The Working Committee has proposed to the FAMC that Mr. Shankar Aurora will leave Auroville permanently, that he will be helped by the Repatriation Fund and that the house in Utility will be re-allocated by the Housing Group in consultation with the Utility community. This proposal has been accepted and been implemented.

Laurent

The Working Committee decided some time ago that Auroville would not recommend the extension of Laurent's Residential Permit until he went to France and worked out a permanent agreement for the care of his and Anabel's son, Johan. (See AV News #945 dated June 29/02) After his permit expired Laurent decided to stay in India without valid papers. Consequently he received a Leave India Notice. Now he has returned to France with Johan.

Kottakarai Farm

There was a dispute between Ricardo and Sundaram/Amudha following Ricardo's being allocated land for his workshop at Kottakarai Farm. This dispute led to violence between the workers of the two parties and a police case was filed. Several meetings between the parties were held including members of the IDC, Farm Group, ABC, and the Working Committee. Fortunately everything has been settled amicably and Ricardo is now building his workshop without problem.

Protection of the Land

A member of the WC has made several visits to Madras to seek advice on this urgent issue.

New Working Committee

We are looking forward to handing over our duties to the new team on or before November 15th. Of course we will be available to help with the transition.

FAMC Report September 2002

FAMC Regular Members:

Ananda (ABC) Auroasha (Entry Group) Buntly (SAIIR) Dharmesh (IDC) Peter (LEM) Inge (Housing) Jeff (Green Group) Joster (ABC) Judith (Economy Group) Otto (Central Fund) Pala (Maintenance Fund) Rathinam (AV Fund) Selvaraj (Working Committee) Tency (CSR) Ulli (Working Committee) Matrimandir currently sends no representative.

FAMC Permanent Invitee: Mr. Srinivasamurthy, Acting-Secretary of the Auroville Foundation

Issues Related to Units & Services

Banyan Nursery: It was reported that the Green Group had raised the question whether it is really in the best interest of Auroville to sell/exchange the land of the Banyan Nursery. It was reiterated that it is intended to exchange the land for roadside land in the city area. It was said that maybe the topic is ripe to be raised again. It was stated that the balance sheet of the Banyan Nursery for 2001-2002 should be looked at. It was proposed that an action programme should be evolved to persuade the executives of Banyan Nursery to move to some other location. Since the sub group has not been able to carry out its assignment, it was proposed and agreed to invite the executives of Banyan Nursery to the FAMC so that the situation can be explained to them. LEM was requested to find a suitable alternative site for their activity. This topic is ongoing.

Altecs Building: Auroville Energy Products has shown an interest in taking over the Altecs Building and a letter of intent from them was read out, in which they proposed to take over certain of the liabilities of Altecs. It was proposed and agreed that AEP should be asked for a fixed amount for taking over the ground floor and office space and the decision of who would be reimbursed from that amount would rest with the FAMC. It was further proposed to find other occupants for the upstairs apartment.

Auroville Water Service: The new service called Auroville Water Maintenance is already working. The new service's depot is at Djaima and the telephone is at Fraternity. The arrangements for finance for the new team remain to be finalised. The team has asked for a running budget of Rs 10,000 + Rs 15,000 in Aurovilian maintenances for three months only after which the situation is to be reviewed.

The Balance Sheet of the Auroville Water Service for 2001-2002 is now ready. The sub-group was requested to look at it and to give a report on the state of the assets and liabilities.

Marayana: One of the executives of Marayana, Laurent received a Leave India notice. He and his wife, Anabelle, the

other executive, are not in harmony. It was stated that the Trustees did not feel in a position to take any steps without the advice of the FAMC and the Working Committee. It was proposed and agreed to appoint Vasyi Zhovtan as additional executive and sole bank signatory. It was requested that Vasyi be asked to familiarize himself with the state of the accounts. It was agreed to send a letter to the Manager of SBI Auroville, informing him of the appointment of Vasyi as executive and sole signatory of the Marayana account. It was agreed to give a loan for one-way tickets for Laurent and his son. Subsequently a loan was given to Marayana so that the unit could loan Laurent the money for a round trip ticket for himself and a one-way ticket for his son.

Appointment of Trustee – the appointment of Ulrich Bretschneide as Trustee of Auroville Service Trust: Approved.

Resignation of Trustee - the resignation of Eric Vattier as Trustee of ABC Trust: Approved.

Bommaiyur Toy Carpentry - the appointment of Dara (Carlos Lorenzen) and Lucas Dengel as Executives: Approved.

Imagination – the appointment of Lachmen Melvani as additional Executive: Approved.

Opening of New Units:

CADDcon under ADPS Trust: Dirk Kievith, who is a newcomer, wants to close his Pondicherry based company “CADD Consultants” and open a new unit under ADPS Trust called CADDcon with himself and Lella Baldazza as the executives. ADPS Trust recommends this new unit with Dirk and Lella as executives. Dirk has been connected with the Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Pondicherry for ten years. As this unit will be under the scrutiny of the ADPS Trust, it was agreed to open a new unit CADDcon under ADPS Trust with Dirk, very exceptionally, and Lella as executives.

Auroville Dental Laboratory under Auroville Health Care Trust: The opening of a new unit Auroville Dental Laboratory under the Auroville Health Care Trust with Grazia Cicionesi, Namgyal Tenzin, Pierre Mini and Nicola Porro as Executives was approved.

Land and Land Use Issues

Corpus Fund for Land: The proposal was discussed with the Governing Board and found not to be feasible.

Request to purchase land by Adi Shakti at Udayan: The sale 0.36 acres of land from the Auroville Foundation to the Aditi Shakti Cultural Centre near to Udayan was approved.

Credit line for land purchase: The representative of LEM requested a temporary extension of the existing credit line. The additional funds are required to buy land in the city area where essential lands are available. It was agreed to extend the credit line to be reimbursed by incoming donations, but further purchases must wait until more funds are coming in.

Brihaspati – Allocation of Stewardship: Throughout September the sub group continued to work out a sharing agreement between the horse projects and the farmers. The Pony Farm has decided not to move to Brihaspati. Subsequently an agreement has been reached between RERS and the farmers.

Issues Related to Housing

Sve Dam: It was reported that sub-group had not been coordinating well. A sub-group member reported that a

member of the IDC mentioned that the questions, which had been raised by the IDC, were meant for the members of the sub-group only and not for distribution to the FAMC and publication in the News. It was said that the members of the Sve Dam community wish to meet the sub-group of the FAMC.

Igor's House: The representative of the Housing Service reported that the Newcomers who had been proposed by Auromodel community to occupy the house have found other accommodation. It was proposed that if and when any money comes through the transfer of the house it can be decided then how it should be used. It was agreed to write a letter to the community of Auromodel, stating that FAMC supports the idea that the community works together with the Housing Service to allocate the vacant house previously occupied by Igor.

Utility House: The FAMC agreed to the proposal from the Working Committee that Shankar Arora will leave Auroville permanently, that he will be repatriated from the Repatriation Fund and that the house in Utility will be re-allocated by the Housing Service in consultation with the Utility community.

Request for waiver of Housing Contribution: A letter was received from Simone and Lyle requesting a waiver of the 10% contribution to the Housing Fund expected of them. The Housing Service did not recommend waiving the housing contribution in this case. It was proposed and agreed that as Simone has lived and worked in Auroville for a long time and in light of the fact that her house in Grace has been demolished to make way for new development there, her contribution would be waived. But it was felt that Lyle should contribute his share. It was therefore decided to ask Lyle to make a contribution of 5% to the Housing Fund.

Annadana: Annadana Project requested compensation for two houses and a seed room at Revelation, which were constructed from funds donated for the project. They are requesting the amount be reinvested in the project now located at the Botanical Gardens. It was said that in principle there would be no objection to reinvest the contributions from the new guardians of the houses in the project. The Auroville Fund will determine the amount invested. It was reported that some people are already interested to take over the houses. It was agreed that the interested party should contact the Housing Service. The IDC representative pointed out that the project had been given that location, as it was a project that fits in a park area. He requested that any one who moves in there should be connected with greenwork suitable for a park area.

Reve II Housing Project: It was explained that since Inge and Dominic resigned from the IDC, Dharmesh, Eugene and Govind have been managing the project. The project will be finished by the end of November 2002. The Chairperson reminded everyone that when management changes occur in collective projects the FAMC should be informed at the time. The accounting of the project is being looked after by Omega and appears to be in order.

Housing Policy: The FAMC is extensively reviewing the Housing Policy, especially with respect to the allocation of Newcomer Housing and renting, and the entire revised version of the Housing Policy will be published very soon for feedback.

Allocation of Public Spaces-Financial Service Office:

Connections, AVI desk, Pour Tous administration and the Kulapalayam Browsing Centre had all applied to move to the space to be vacated at the Financial Service office and their representatives have met together on site. Nothing has been finalized yet, but they feel that there is room for all of them and a satisfactory arrangement can be worked out between them. The matter is pending.

Board of Trustees: It was proposed that a Board of Trustees be formed to take over the role of the ABC, which is no longer really operational. It was thought that a Board of Trustees would be more stable and committed than a working group such as ABC, which is constituted of all the commercial unit executives.

It was stated that the Finance Committee of the Governing Board has asked for a report on the activities and performance of all Trusts. It was suggested that tasks such as this would be facilitated if there were a Board of Trustees:

It was stated that CSR and SAIIR already submit annual reports for inclusion in the Annual Report of the Foundation. The Working Committee is responsible for preparation of the Annual Report, which is then submitted, to the Auroville Foundation.

It was also proposed that this Board could be responsible for internal audits and CAG, decreasing the pressure on the FAMC. The question arose of whether this Board of Trustees would be constituted of all Trustees of the commercial Trusts or of all Trustees including those of research and service Trusts. It was felt that it is the commercial Trusts that most need such a body.

It was agreed to endorse the formation of a Board of Trustees for the commercial Trusts and that the proposal would be circulated to all Trustees of commercial Trusts for feedback.

FAMC Mandate: A request from the Av Website for a copy of the FAMC Mandate revealed that the mandate needed to be reviewed and up-dated. A revised draft was prepared in June 2002 and this draft is under discussion..

The entire revised version of the FAMC Mandate will be published very soon for feedback.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please e-mail famc@auroville.org.in

Une brève explication sur la façon de choisir le prochain **Auroville Council / Working Committee, le vendredi 1er novembre à Pour Tous, de 9h à 17.30, ou le samedi 2 novembre à la Cuisine Solaire, de 9h à 15h.**

1. Inscrivez sur le bulletin de vote, les noms des 6 personnes de la Residents Assembly qui vous semble le plus capables de faire le travail de **l'Auroville Council /Working Committee**. Si possible, inscrivez aussi le nom de la communauté de la personne que vous choisirez.
2. Essayez de sélectionner autant d'hommes que de femmes.
3. Nous serons heureux de vous aidez si vous avez des problèmes avec l'orthographe ou si vous voulez savoir le nom de la communauté de la personne de votre choix.
4. Apportez votre bulletin de vote à l'endroit où se trouve la table de vote et signez à coté de votre nom dans le registre. (Master List). Vous n'êtes **pas** obligé de signer le bulletin de vote.
5. Pliez et donnez votre bulletin de vote à l'assistant qui le glissera dans l'urne.

Attention : Chaque personne ne peut donner **qu'un seul** bulletin de vote. Chacun doit venir en personne à la table de vote, même les membres d'une même famille.

Dear Aurovilian, Dear Newcomer,

We still have a few apartments free for you if you want to join Reve II community.

If you would like to live on the top-floor...or rather at first floor or just looking rather on the green area and gardens at ground floor ...one apartment at each level is still available.

Please, feel free to contact us via phone 622 056 or via e-mail developmentgroup@auroville.org.in to get further information.

Sonja, secretary of IDCouncil

A brief summary of how to choose the Auroville Council /Working Committee

on either Friday November 1st (Pour Tous, 9-5:30) or Saturday, November 2nd (Solar Kitchen, 9-3:00)

1. On the ballot, write the names of the six Members of the **Resident Assembly** who you think will do the work of the **Auroville Council /Working Committee** the best. If it is possible, also write the community for each Member you choose.
2. You should try and choose both men and women.
3. We will be happy to help you if you have any trouble with spelling or learning the community where your choice lives.
4. Take your ballot to the Ballot-box Table and sign next to your name on the Master List. You do not have to sign the ballot.
5. Fold your ballot and give it to the Ballot-box clerk. The clerk will put your ballot into the box.

Caution: Each person can give **only one** ballot. Even the members of the same family must each come to the Ballot-box Table.

**C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1st – 7.30 PM (Film
show starting at 7.45 sharp)**

SIGNS

Directed by M. Night SHYAMALAM, USA, 2002

With: Mel Gibson, Joaquin Phoenix, Rory Culkin, Abigail Breslin, Cherry Jones, N. Shyamalam

Synopsis: Hess lives with his two children and his younger brother on a sprawling farm. One morning he discovers that portions of the vast cornfields behind the house have been trampled into curious hieroglyphs, terrifying his children and enraging his dogs. Is it a prank or some kind of supernatural occurrence? ... (Not for young children)

Original English version – Colour - Duration: 2h. – 35mm film

**C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM
VENDREDI 1er NOVEMBRE – 19h.30' (le
film commence à 19h.45' précises)**

SIGNES

Réalisé par : M. Night SHYAMALAM, USA, 2002

Avec : Mel Gibson, Joaquin Phoenix, Rory Culkin, Abigail Breslin...

Synopsis: Hess vit avec ses deux enfants et son jeune frère dans une de ces immenses fermes de Pennsylvanie. Un matin il découvre que des portions entières de ses champs de maïs ont été écrasées en d'étranges hiéroglyphes qui terrifient ses enfants et enragent ses chiens. Est-ce une mauvaise blague ou bien s'agit-il de quelque événement surnaturel ?... (Pas pour les jeunes enfants)

Version originale en Anglais – Durée : 2h. - Couleur – film 35mm

**Programme: Invoking Sri Aurobindo's
Presence**

Place: Auromodel (Aster's Place)

Date: 10th November, 2002 Sunday

Time: 3.00 pm to 4.30pm

A few who had the privilege of Sri Aurobindo's physical Darshan will join us.

All are welcome.

'A prayer, a master act, a king idea
Can link man's strength to a transcendent
Force .

Then miracle is made the common rule,
One mighty deed can change the course of
things.'

Sri Aurobindo –Savitri.

**Who could Rent or Lend or Sell (Second Hand)
TWO GIRL CYCLES ?**

My friends CARLA and YELENA, TEN YEARS OLD, are coming on 11th December and will stay one month in Auroville. Call me at 623-065 or at Kindergarten 622-374 or at LEO 622 423.

Thank you,
CLAIRE.

Un appel du Central Fund

En ce mois d'octobre 2002, notre Central Fund se retrouve avec un déficit de 100 000 Rs.

Il nous est extrêmement difficile de continuer à réduire les mêmes budgets, mois après mois. Cela aura un effet néfaste dans le fonctionnement des différentes activités. Il faut absolument trouver la somme entière avant le jour des paiements, le 26 octobre.

Au cours de n'importe quelle année, octobre et novembre sont généralement les mois les plus « maigres » et à ces moments-là, un effort collectif est nécessaire pour combler le fossé.

S.V.P. faites votre possible pour aider .

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(A Message Of Appeal From Our Central Fund)**

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Space for rent in Auromode for office purposes only.

Contact: Denzil @ 622161/193/061 from 8am to 4:30pm

FUN 'N' improvisation GAMES

Everybody can do

My mother came to me in a dream last night and said : "Improv is the fast track for spiritual development ".

So join the IMPROV Group NOW

Wednesday nights at 7:30 in the New Creation Gym up-stairs.

See you later aligator

FINANCIAL SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Since the beginning of October the Auroville Maintenance Fund is in a position to also sell foreign currencies, so if you are in need of Dollars, Euro or Swiss Francs please contact us at the Financial Service.

FROM AUROSOYA

MORE TEMPEH

Dear friends, we have recently received some Tempeh Starter from California thanks to the good will of nice fellow, so we are in a position to produce it again.

Tempeh will be available at Pour Tous, H.E.R.S. and on the spot at Aurosoya (Bharat Nivas).

Bon Appetit !!!

About Cookies

For Technical reasons, we are temporarily not any more in a position to make our own soya flour. So from today onward and for a little while, please kindly take not that all the cookies will be made from wheat flour only (Atta 70% & maida 30%)

Thanks
Fred & Catia
For AUROSOYA – ph. 622'273

LOOKING FOR MY COMPILATION ON

"WHAT MOTHER SAID ABOUT AUROVILLE"
THIS COMPILATION WAS DONE BY BAGHA AND I DON'T REMEMBER WHO TOOK MY COPY
PLEASE CAN THE PERSON WHO TOOK IT BRING IT BACK TO ME.

THANKS VANI - Vikas (623008)

SAVITRI BHAVAN

“ENTRETIENS”

The Mother's "Playground Talks

Every Tuesday at 5:00 pm

We are listening to a series of recordings of the Mother's talks in the Ashram Playground to the young people of the School. These talks, in French, continued twice a week from 1951 to the end of 1958 and have been published in French as "*Entretiens*" and in English as "*Questions and Answers*". For these sessions, we provide the text of the talk in both French and English.

On the 29 October, 2002, we shall play the recording of the 26th November, 1958. The question "*What is the role of the spirit*" is answered by the Mother in relation to a text from Sri Aurobindo's '*The Life Divine*' pp.890-891 :

"What is called "new birth" is the birth into the spiritual life, the spiritual consciousness; it is to carry in oneself something of the spirit which, individually, through the soul, can begin to rule the life and be the master of existence ..."

Aster, who as a girl was present when these talks were given, will be with us in this series where we would like to simulate learning from the Mother directly, through listening to the recordings, reading the prepared bi-lingual text, and sharing insights that might ensue.

We specially invite all young Aurovilians to come and study with us.

**Duration of the programme : 45-50 minutes.
Everyone is welcome.**

Pure White Indian – Style male Kitten, about five months old, playful, alert, affectionate, looking for a loving home. See Merry, Solar Kitchen or NC- House at Surrender.

Wabi means Simplicity

"Japan is essentially the country of sensations; she lives through her eyes. Beauty rules over her as an uncontested master... We could quite well call Japan the paradise of children – in no other country I have seen them so free and so happy." (The Mother, 1917. from : The Mother of Japan, part 2. All India Magazine – May 2002, page 6).

In Aspiration a nice cat lives. Adil calls it Wabi. It is a Japanese word, and Wabi calls Adil sensei (teacher in Japanese). For one and half year Adil works with about one hundred children which reached age 7-12, five classes in Transition School, together with Suresh.

Now an exhibition of the children's art is in Financial Service's Office. The children created their masterpieces (fairy compositions) with a free and happy feeling. It is a sensation for Auroville. They Used Seeds and other natural materials, also painted multicolored glass panels to create own wonderland, paradise like the tail of a peacock.

A visit to this exhibition is a joy for children and adults. Everybody feels a high spirit of beauty and Wabi.
- Boris

Auroville Water Maintenance has started functioning . we now undertake all kinds of pump repairs, Generators, plumbing work and Windmills (All the old Activities). Av Water Maintenance is no longer a free service, but it is a self supportive service.

contact Ph No: 62-2899

Love Av Water Maintenance Team

Exposition GAP

Galerie Alliance Francaise Pondicherry
58 Suffren Street

from October 25th - November 11th, '02

j'espère vous voir / hope to see you

~ amicalement ~

GAP

FOR SALE

HERO HONDA CD100 BLACK COLOUR PY.01.R.
Registration 9 Month old single hand use in very good condition contact Mr. Veeranyan # 622 040 (or) 622 039

DOING LIASSON WORKS

A ENGINEERING GRADUATE IS INTRESTED TO DO ANY TYPE OF SERVICE WORK. ARRANGING SEMINARS, FUNCTIONS, PAYMENT COLLECTIONS etc READY TO DO JOB WORKS. READY TO GO TO FOREIGN TRIPS FOR AUROVILLANS WORK. CONTACT WITH YOUR PHONE NUMBER
CONTACT AT :- contactmefreein @ yahoo.com

Sélection du Conseil d'Auroville Proposition de l'ARG (Auroville Resource Group)

Durant la réunion du 3 octobre, le Resource Group (ARG) a approuvé à l'unanimité les points suivants:

- Un Working Committee de sept membres n'est pas suffisant pour mener à bien toutes les tâches qui étaient auparavant pris en charge par le Working Committee et l'Executive Council, par exemple, assurer la liaison avec la Fondation, les gouvernements de l'Inde et du Tamil Nadu ainsi qu'avec d'autres organisations extérieures, en plus du travail d'organisation et les résolutions de conflits.
- Il serait mieux que ce travail soit accompli par un seul groupe au lieu de deux.
- La communauté d'Auroville sélectionnera 15 membres pour le Conseil d'Auroville dont 7 membres, formeront le Working Committee et seront les signataires officiels auprès de la Fondation d'Auroville.
- Les membres du Conseil décideront eux-mêmes lesquels d'entre eux formeront le Working Committee et choisiront aussi leur mode de fonctionnement.
- La procédure suivante de sélection a été unanimement acceptée par le Resource Group:
 1. On demandera à chaque membre de la Resident Assembly de proposer jusqu'à 6 personnes pour l'Auroville Council. Il lui sera recommandé de garder un équilibre entre les sexes, c'est à dire qu'un nombre égal d'hommes et de femmes seront nommés. Le nombre maximum sera de six mais on peut choisir un nombre inférieur.
 2. Une équipe chargée d'organiser la sélection a été nommée par le Resource Group. Elle est composée de Paulette, Stuart, Anandamaya, Agni (et Ulli). Cette équipe fera les arrangements pratiques et s'occupera du décompte des bulletins de nomination. Pour cela, ils pourront aussi demander de l'aide à la communauté.
 3. Les 50 personnes qui auront reçu le plus de votes de la communauté se réuniront et choisiront parmi eux les 15 personnes qui formeront le Conseil d'Auroville.

S,V,P, donnez vos commentaires à propos de cette proposition dans un délai de deux semaines.

Considérant l'urgence de la situation, l'équipe organisatrice de la sélection commencera ses tâches préliminaires immédiatement, à moins qu'on ne soit sérieusement opposé à cela.

KNEE-CHAIRS FOR WEBTEAM

If, by chance, you have a well functioning, unused knee-chair sitting somewhere in your house or storeroom, we would want to ask you to kindly think of the web-team. We have recently moved to another location in Aurelec, and would be very happy to have two more of these chairs. As we have no income whatsoever, our monthly budget doesn't allow us to go for new ones.

Please, get in touch with any of the team (Bobby, Doris, Kovalam, Lele, Manoj, Mauna, Saravanam, Sukhamuni) or phone to the web office # 623.424. THANK YOU!

Who is interested in a cycle? Hercules top gear – 18 gears -- E6Y DX blue and red , good condition, 10 months old . Price Rs 2200.00 (new price Rs 3450). Please call 623533.

Ralph,
Surrender.

NEWS FROM POUR TOUS

New AUROVILLE products:

- Ayurvedic Concepts: Ghee
- Discipline Farm: Starfruitjam, Papaya-lemonjam
- Kaif: Russian Cabbage, Kim Chi (korean pickles), Candymilkcream in glassdoor-fridge
- Manchy (former Celebration): Lime Pickles
- Prisma: Matrimandir Calendar 2003
- Royal: True French Quiche in glassdoorfridge
- Siddhartha Forest: Gulkand (rosepetals, sugarcandy, honey)

Come and have a look at our Bakery Corner. We will now offer a bigger variety of breads and pastries. You can as well give orders for breads, birthdaycakes, samosas and other items.

To save plastic buy your biscuits and muesli at the Bakery Corner and get it packed in paper or even better: bring your own bag or container.

You can phone us directly at the shop (also for orders) and get informations on all Auroville products. Just call 622842 (new number, not yet in the directory).

With love, your Pour Tous team.

NOTE FROM AV OUTREACH

Please know that, from November 2nd to 12th, a two-member film crew from Korea will be in Auroville to make a film documentary here. Mr. Tae-Jun, Hwang, producer at 'Image 3' will shoot his film to be broadcast via the 60 minute 'Wednesday Special' programme of the Korean Broadcasting System (KBS). This programme gives "useful information and knowledge to Korean TV viewers about society, culture, economy, and international relationships."

As the team would be specifically interested to show Auroville through the observations and findings of Koreans settled in the township, the latter are invited to get in touch with Hyun Sook in Sangha via tel # 622.638, and/or Mauna tel # 622.323 or 623.424.

SOLAR KITCHEN UPDATE

Since the beginning of September 2002 aprox. 80 people less are taking now their lunch from Solar Kitchen, the bigger part of this group belonged to the tiffens. This happened when we, together with the Central Fund, started the Minimum Contribution of Rs.350.- per month, for one lunch six days a week. As we already explained before, this step was necessary because the Central Fund has, since 1 ½ years, not been in the position to fully subsidise those people who were eating without any contribution or only a small contribution. Every one should try to understand that the Solar Kitchen is **cooking** for you including of course all the necessary organization and coordination around such a task (in the moment we are cooking for aprox. 900 people of which aprox. 450 are school children). The monthly contribution of Rs 670.- is just the minimum amount necessary for doing this work, one half of our expenses are used for the purchase of vegetables and dry goods, the other half is needed for the running costs like maintainances, wages, repair of machinery, diesel for boiler and generator and others.

Important announcement : **On Diwali, Monday 04.11.02. the Solar Kitchen will remain closed for lunch and dinner !**
The Solar Kitchen Team wishes everyone a happy, happy Diwali !!!

Personal PS: I wish that the basic needs of the Aurovilians (including food) will soon be met according to the ideals of Auroville.
 Angelika

THE MAHASARASWATI FREE-STORE / EXCHANGE STORE AND REPAIR SERVICE.

The Mahasaraswati store (situated in the same building as the Kuilapalayam Post office) undertakes all sorts of appliance repairs. You name it we fix it, or tell you where or how to fix it. You can come by at the store on the usual Saturday afternoons between 3pm and 5pm and any morning between 9.30 and 11.30am.

Logu will check your appliance on the spot and give you a rough estimate and advice for the repair. But he can also come to your house to collect anything you wouldn't have the time to bring yourself or to check your fridge, washing machine, TV, and just anything.

We also know and can recommend a nice and honest old man who will come to your place and REPAIR ANY CANE FURNITURE on the spot.

Call Logu at 623014 lunch time or evenings, or leave a message for him to call you back.

We will charge a basic 50 rupees on top of the repair charges for any in house attendance, repair item pick-up or delivery.

All payments are operated through the Financial Service's Pour Tous accounts.

Here is the present list of items available for exchange :

Cloth iron - Coffee machine - Table fan - PL solar light 12 volt - Electric oven - Table lamp - Battery charger - Ice cream maker - Hot water electric kettle (Kenwood) - 80mtrs Underground telephone cable 20 pairs - Mixer / grinder Hitachi - Electric can opener - Moped side box - Lady cycle - Graphit tennis raquette - Roller blades - Gas cookstove 4 burners + oven - cane chair - B/W monitor - Vibromassor - Manual vegetable slicer / grater - Pan cake electrical hot plate - Stabilizer - Toaster - Wall stapler - Spray painting gun - Movement detector, automatic garden light - and a lot more...

But remember the exchange store opens only on Saturday afternoon !

See you around,
 Logu, Celestine, Olivier

Dear Parents,
We have lost our TV at the kindergarten
but have many fine videos to show.
Please contribute to the purchase of a
new TV to Kindergarten specify TV

Another young Artists from Pondicherry is presenting his works at Pitanga

L. Candappane

exhibits paintings and drawings

29/10/02 to 7/11/02

Monday to Saturday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm

Sunday and Deepavali 04/11/02 closed

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

Beware of petrol thieves - New Security System

There are a lot of petrol thieves around. A lock on the down side don't help you, they take it from the top. The lockers are easily to open and from the topside they get the petrol much faster. I'm fed up now and developed a security system that gives alarm even by cutting the sensor cable.

Ask me for demonstration .The system is now available for Bajaj, other models we have to see. The price comes lower by mass orders. Security systems also for your house available – Solutions in Electronic-Developed and produced in the evergreen forests of Silence –Kottakarai.

Casuarinas for construction and fire still available.

Hans Innovation unlimited – 622779 – siddha@auroville.org.in

The New Phone Numbers

The official statement regarding the introduction of an additional digit, preceding all existing phone numbers, made by the new General Manager of BSNL (Pondy) is this:

They expect the clearance until the end of this month from Delhi. Once they have received the order they will give another week of allowance to make the respective announcements in the media. So, the exact day of the actual implementation is still not certain but the time frame given, narrows down to less than 3 weeks now. What might be of further consolation is the fact that:

1. It is positively sure that BSNL numbers will be preceded by a "2". So whoever wants to get letterheads and visiting cards printed does not have to hesitate with his order.
2. After the switchover, all callers who have not heard of the change, will be informed by an automated message telling them to dial a "2" in front of the old number.

Amphitheater

On Tuesday 29.10 for sunset, 5.30 p.m. all are invited to "Savitri" read by Mother accompanied by Sunil's Music:

Book 2 The traveller of the Worlds

Canto 3 The Glory and the Fall of Life

Canto 4 The Kingdoms of the Little Life

On Thursday 31.10 at 5.30 p.m.

We will have Mother read extracts of " The Mother" - "La Mere" by Sri Aurobindo :

Text 5 : " If you want to be a true doer of divine works, your first aim must be to be totally free from all desire and self-regarding ego..."

"Si vous voulez etre un vrai travailleur de l'oeuvre divine , votre premier but est d'etre totalement libre de tout desir et de tout amour-propre egoiste....."

LOVE Sigrid

For various reasons it is no longer possible for the Hairdressing Service to use the room previously made available by Auromode.

In Pitanga there is also no available space we were told. Valentina urgently needs a working place to continue this free service, used by over 300 Aurovilians, for 3 days weekly.

Please contact Jan 622220, decauram@auroville.org.in with any suggestion you may have.

Mountain bike for sale:

2 years old, Austrian make, Shimano gears (18), in good condition. Interested persons please phone Dima @ 623-340 (Waves)

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(How to choose the Auroville Council / Working Committee)

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Infos aus der Buecherei!

Seit einigen Monaten gibt es die Zeitschrift Raum & Zeit die ueber neue Dimensionen in der Wissenschaft berichtet. Die Ausgabe Sep/Okttober berichtet ueber Laser harmonisiert Blut und Wasser, Gen-Allianz, Embryos fuer die Industrie, El Nino, Heilmittel aus der Tiefe, Wasser macht Naturgesetze sichtbar usw. Die Zeitung erscheint alle zwei Monate ,auch aeltere Nummern sind in der Buecherei einzusehen.
Ps. Gefahren ueber Handy und Alternativen
Love Rolf Petite Ferme

Latest news from the Travel Shop, 23.10.2002
Airlines flying to Europe from Chennai have lowered their airfares.

If you are planning to visit Europe or the US and want to come back in the time from December to mid February it is high time to reserve a seat. As this is the main season to visit India there will be very few seats available for discounted fare tickets starting from India for this time period.

For more details contact Travel Shop at 622078, 622604 or email: travelshop@auroville.org.in

Someone to share a taxi to the airport to be there on the 4th at 02,30?

Contact Pepe at Quiet 622 329

Quiet Healing Center announces a workshop on November 1st – 3rd

Transformation through Dance and Meditation

Integral Meditation

Understanding ourselves as a tree of life:

Matter = Energy = Soul = Conscious Spirit ...

Silent and all-pervading

How are breathing, initiative, faith and bodily substance coordinated for the purpose of meditation? What does it take to meld into oneness: peace, abundant energy, one's own physical and psychic presence and the surrounding field ... uplifting these into a silence that regenerates and realigns?

The Holographic Body: Dance, Energy and Space

The reality behind mind, emotion, sensation and physical substance is energy.

Energy is free, intelligent and creative. It manifests the patterns of the body's structures and movements and the daily activities of the soul and its dreaming.

Twelve distinct bodily regions in the human form correspond to an archetypal arrangement of character, mode and dynamism as they are delineated in the astrological signs.

Five elemental frequencies of energy: earth, water, fire, air and ether interact with each other creating the human form and its movements as we know them and weaving through dance the complex yet unified field of substance and high energy that is the Holographic Body.

This workshop will be interesting for those with or without prior experience in dance and/or meditation. For more information please call Quiet: 622 329, 622 646