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## VOTE FOR THE BETTER DESAI!



**BERJIS DESAI**

Even the detractors of Mr. BERJIS DESAI are not denying that his credentials to serve as a BPP trustee are excellent. 41 years of experience as a leading transactional lawyer of India, Company Director of many National and Multinational Corporations, extensive knowledge of community & BPP affairs over decades, ability to bring about consensus between different groups.

However they say that he is intermarried twice. Few know that he lost 2 children at birth, and then lost his wife, his childhood sweetheart, due to childbirth complications. Later he remarried her best friend.

**Today he is categorical that for survival of the community, Parsis must not intermarry.** In any event, when the BPP is facing a lifetime crisis, are you not going to vote for the best candidate, of ability, experience and honesty – simply because he is intermarried? Please ask your conscience this question.

Of course the orthodox are justified in attacking him on another ground, namely that until a few years ago, he was a Liberal. We can assure that BERJIS DESAI today is **more orthodox** than most. Look at the following facts :-

- He was the petitioner to stop the metro from violating the karsh under our holy Wadiaji AtashBehram and the

Anjuman Atashbehram at Princess Street and fought upto the Supreme Court, and spent nearly **Rs. 40 LACS out of his own funds** for legal costs

- He is the founder of the **“Parsi Zoroastrian Guards of the Holy fire”**, a registered public religious trust to protect and preserve our fire temples, dokhmas and other sacred institutions. Starting with Rs. 25 lakhs, He is committed to contribute **over Rs. 5 crores** for this trust, over the next 3 years.
- He is a fully ordained priest (Navar & Martab) at the age of 10 in the oldest Agiary in India – VadiDarehmeter of Navsari
- His ancestry is from the Desai family of Navsari – Khurshedji Bapa or Khurshedji Tehmulji Desai, who was principal founder of the Navsari Atashbehram, some 250 years ago, and is Berjis' DIRECT GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER.
- **Berjis has publicly declared that he will not ‘deviate in the slightest’ from our established traditions.**
- His Mastery of Khordeh Avesta prayers increases every passing day.

### **PLEASE BE PRACTICAL, Dear Voter.**

Who are the other candidates apart from the 2 Desais. NONE OF THEM HAVE ANY TRACK RECORD OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY,

Give BERJIS DESAI a chance for a few years to do something for our August Charity. If he is NOT a trustee, it is NO loss to him. He is not a career ‘Parsi Politician’ at all.

It will be a huge opportunity loss for the Parsi Community



# MYSTERY OF THE CASH RS.20 LAKHS FOUND IN LATE CEO'S CABIN DEEPENS

In the Parsi Junction issue of 31st January 2021, we had pointed out that On 27th January 2021, MRA Marg police had informed Khojeste Mistry, who claims to be a Parsi Preacher and Gods good man, to come to the Police Station to complete formalities and collect the cash Rs. 20 lakhs lying with them in his FIR filed by him.

Khojeste Mistry passed on this message to BPP CEO who in turn sent mail to all BPP Trustees on Wednesday 27th January 2021.

Under normal circumstances one would have expected the Trustees to be proactive on a urgent conference call to depute some senior staff the same day to go to MRA Marg police station to collect the badly needed cash Rs. 20 lakhs belonging to BPP just rotting away in the police safe without any return.

But once again the criminal mind of Kersi Randeria went into overdrive and he realized that his accusation that this Rs. 20 lakhs was the same misappropriated transfer fees would no longer hold good and hence Kersi Randeria advised his colleagues that since matter was subjudice to take no urgent steps to collect the Rs. 20 lakhs cash but to await further discussion at next Board meeting to be held on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 and decide further course of action.

At the physical Board meeting held on Wednesday 3rd February 2021, Kersi Randeria deliberately ensured that this matter did not come up for discussion and the matter got postponed to next board meeting to be held on 9th Feb 2021.

**THUS IN SPITE OF CASH CRUNCH FACED BY BPP, CASH RS. 20 LAKHS BELONGING TO THE TRUST AND THE COMMUNITY IS LYING SEALED IN THE BPP CUPBOARD SINCE AUGUST 2014 AND THEREAFTER TILL PRESENT DATE IN MRA MARG POLICE LOCKER.**

**WHY IS KERSI RANDERIA NOT ALLOWING ADMINISTRATION TO APPROACH MRA MARG POLICE STATION TO INQUIRE INTO THE POLICE REQUIREMENTS BEFORE THEY CAN RELEASE THE RS. 20 LAKHS TO THE BPP.**

Knowing the vindictive and vengeful character of Kersi Randeria, this paper in its role of Investigative Journalism sent its staff to MRA Marg Police Station and on inquiry have learnt that Jamadar Gaode had phoned up Khojeste Mistry several times and requested him to come to the Police Station and contact him when he will be able to advice the next procedure to be followed to release the money in his favor.

In the Parsi Junction issue of 7th February 2021, we had reported that according to police the Rs. 20 lakhs Cash deposited in the 38th Magistrate's Court has been deposited in MRA Marg Police Station Locker in Khojeste Mistry's Complaint No. MECR 02/2014 u/s 406, 420 and 34 IPC as seized property AMOUNTING TO Rs. 20,01,000/=. Hence the amount can only be returned to Khojeste Mistry and no one else though the money does not belong to Khojeste Mistry but to BPP Trust.

We further reported that only Khojeste Mistry has to file an Application in the 38th Magistrate Court at Ballard Pier for Return of Seized Property in his pending Complaint No. SW/3800027/2014 (MERC Complaint No. 02/2014) and the money will be returned to Khojeste Mistry who will then have to forward the Cash of Rs. 20,01,000/ back to the BPP Trust.

As luck would have it, the next date of hearing of Khojeste Mistry's false and fabricated Complaint No. SW/3800027/2014 of misappropriation of Rs. 20 lakhs out of Rs. 65 lakhs Transfer fees of Dadi

House Tenancy transfer to Musharraf Kader was 12th February 2021.

But on that date of 12th Feb21, neither Khojeste Mistry nor his lawyer nor anyone from BPP staff nor Kersi Randeria, another accuser that the Rs. 20 lakhs found in CEO'S cupboard were the same misappropriated cash of Musharraf and hidden in the cupboard by Dinshaw Mehta bothered to attend Court to seek refund of Cash Rs. 20 lakhs by making an Application for Return of Seized Property belonging to BPP and the community.

**WHY?**

**The witch hunt of Yazdi Desai, (due to loss of his wife to Dinshaw Mehta supported Muncherji Cama), Khojeste Mistry (Wapiz Trustee), Kersi Randeria and Arzan Ghadially to somehow discredit Dinshaw Mehta in the eyes of the community so that the community stops electing candidates put up/ supported by Dinshaw Mehta was so strong that they were willing to sacrifice Rs. 20 lakhs of community charity funds to get their revenge on Dinshaw Mehta.**

**Thus if it is accepted as all the Trustees have done that transfer fees was Rs. 45 lakhs which has been received in full by BPP in November 2013 itself than this cash Rs. 20 lakhs found in CEO'S cupboard and now to be collected from the police has no connection with the pending complaint even if it is sub-judice.**

**It is time that the Trustees see the writing on the wall and dismiss any perverted reasoning of Kersi Randeria or Khojeste Mistry not to collect the cash if the police are willing to hand it over and hopefully the cash Rs. 20 lakhs will come back to the coffers of BPP and the community for charity use.**

**However it is open to doubt whether both Khojeste Mistry and Kersi Randeria will allow this Rs. 20 lakhs to be returned**



to BPP as both of them had made false and fabricated accusations that this is the Rs. 20 lakhs cash found in the late CEO's cupboard that Dinshaw Mehta had misappropriated out of Rs. 65 lakhs transfer fees for the Dadi House Tenancy and only Rs. 45 lakhs had been received by BPP in November 2013.

In that case the whole allegation of misappropriation fails and both of them would have to apologise not just to Dinshaw Mehta but his whole family as Kersi Randeria is on record telling Viraf Mehta and other Trustees that his father is a crook who usurped Rs. 20 lakhs of Trust Funds. Now since it is admitted by all concerned that transfer fees were only Rs. 45 lakhs and never Rs. 65 lakhs nothing further survives in the complaint of Khojeste Mistry. Hence even Kersi

Randeria will have to apologise to the Mehta family for the false and fabricated charges.

Time will show whether Khojeste Mistry is a Man of Honor to own up his mistake and repay the money to BPP and apologise to the Mehta family for the false and baseless accusation of theft of Rs. 20 lakhs out of imaginary transfer fees of Rs. 65 lakhs whilst all knew it was only Rs. 45 lakhs. At the most the charge that can be levied is the use of Musharraf's Rs. 25 lakhs cash given on 31-3-2013 to Mehli Colah's wife for six months which was returned by Dinshaw Mehta according to Musharraf in November 2013 but according to Dinshaw Mehta was returned to Musharraf in April/May 2013 by Mehli Colah as per instructions

of Yazdi Desai and Khojeste Mistry and once Musharraf could arrange the white payment of balance Rs. 25 lakhs he did so through five different cheques.

**Regarding the cash Rs. 20 lakhs found in the CEO's cabin in August 2014, The police did a detailed investigation questioning each and every member of the staff from the highest Officer to the lowest clerk and then submitted a detailed Report in May 2015 to the Trustees that the Rs. 20 lakhs Cash lying in the cupboard was BPP's money belonging to the community and gave a finding that it was money belonging to the BPP and advised to use it for community benefit and unsealed the cupboard and the locker in the cupboard.**

## Handing over of flat No.2, S R Contractor Building, Sussex Road, Byculla

The Editor,  
Parsi junction.



Phiroze Amroliwalla

This week I reproduce below an email that I am privy to, and I would like the readers to ponder awhile and draw their own conclusions. Before you read the email I must mention some facts as they happened:

My attention was drawn through a WhatsApp message to an obituary in Mumbai Samachar of October 29, 2020 to the passing away of Mr. Bomi F. Printer aged 87 and who lived at the same address referred to in the email. A similar announcement under "tamari yaadma" was reported in the PT of October, 31, 2020. In the relationship, there was no mention of the wife, and besides other relationships, the late Mr. Printer was referred to as the brother of Mrs. Amy Randeria and Mama (uncle) of Kersi Randeria.

Unfortunately within a couple of days there appeared in the PT of November 7, 2020, under the same "Tamari yaadma" an announcement of the passing away on October 30, 2020 of Roshan Bomi Printer, aged 64, and described as the wife of the late Mr. Bomi Printer residing at the same address and with not many details of other relationships unlike that of the husband's obituary.

The email referred to is as under:

On Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 11:18 AM cyrus firoz printer <cyrusprinter@rediffmail.com> wrote:

From  
Cyrus F. Printer  
402, Sai Avenue  
Off Veera Desai Raod,  
Near MVM School,  
Andheri West  
Mumbai- 400058.

Date: 11 February 2021

To,

The Trustees Parsee Punchayet,  
209, Dr D N Road, Fort  
Mumbai 400001

Dears Sirs:

**Sub: Handing over of flat No.2, S R Contractor Building, Sussex Road, Byculla**

The subject flat was last occupied by my uncle Mr. Bomi F Printer, and aunt Mrs. Roshan B Printer.

As both of them are deceased, the flat is now vacant. All their near relations, viz., nephews and nieces, while handing over the possession to the Punchayet, request that the said flat be allotted to a deserving applicant.

We take this opportunity to thank the BPP for having provided this accommodation to our relations these many years.

Thanking you,  
Yours faithfully

**CYRUS F PRINTER**

I would like to remind readers that Kersi Randeria had only a couple of years back, surreptitiously transferred another Charity flat of his late Kaka at Contractor Building, Byculla, also a BPP property, to the name of his mother, a director in his Rs.100 crore company, and got the administration to add on the name of his nephew as staying with his mother in this flat at Byculla, all this while both the mother and the nephew were staying in another charity flat of the BPP at Godrej Baug!

Readers may be aware that Kersi Randeria owns Parsi Times and the Printer and Publisher is one Mr. Cyrus Firoz Printer.

Has this flat been surrendered by his relatives who think differently from him, or has he prevailed on them to do so after the expose of his kaka's flat and the adverse publicity he received as a sitting trustee out to grab charity flats where he is supposed to be the protector of such properties and instead does not practice what he preaches to others!

Has Randeria developed guilt feelings and a subsequent change of heart? Is it election fever or is he learning from the likes of Yazdi and Anahita Desai who recently surrendered their brother's flat in Godrej Baug?

If it is the former then I call upon him to surrender this flat of his Kaka for allotment to a poor and deserving family before asking others to do so. If not, Randeria should resign and face the electorate.

Phiroze Amroliwalla





## NOTIFICATION OF DEATH

Please find as an attachment, the obituary in English & Gujarati to be printed in your esteemed periodical per below :

SR. NO.	NAME OF THE DECEASED	RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS	AGE (IN YEARS)	DATE & TIME OF DEATH / POSTMORTEM	DATE & TIME OF PYDAST	PLACE OF PYDAST	DATE & TIME OF UTHAMNA	PLACE OF UTHAMNA
2021/054	MRS. AMY BEHRAM CHOTHIA	BUILDING NO. 1, FLAT NO.404, BEHRAM BAUG, PARSI COLONY, JOGESHWARI, MUMBAI 400 102	84	06.02.2021 AT 08:00 HRS	06.02.2021 AT 15:40 HRS.	HODIWALLA BUNGLI DOONGERWADI MUMBAI	08.02.2021 AT 15:40 HRS	BEHRAM BAUG AGIARY JOGESHWARI MUMBAI

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Thanks & Best Regards,

**Vistaspar Cavas Mehta**  
Manager DOONGERWADI

BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET DEATH NOTIFICATION		No. 2021/54
ROMSHISHVANGMAH SHEHREVAR SHEHENSHAHI 1390 YAZDEZARDI. DATE 6/2/2021		@ 8 AM
Place of Death : Residence / Hospital - Name Of the Hospital		
Name Of the Deceased ERVAD/OSTA / MR / OSTI / MRS. / MS.	AMY BEHRAM CHOTHIA	
Residential Address (As per Death Registry Certificate)	BLDG NO.1, FLAT NO.404, BEHRAM BAUG, PARSI COLONY, JOGESHWARI, MUMBAI 400 102	
Name of Husband / Name of the Deceased	LATE BEHRAM H. CHOTHIA	
Name of the Parents of the deceased	GULBAI & ERUCH TARAPORE	
Name/s of the Children of the Deceased	MRS. NILOUFER FREEM BHOPTI ITR FULAN BEHRAM CHOTHIA	
Name/s of the Daughter In Law / Son in Law of the Deceased	ITR FREEM BHOPTI MRS. RASHIDA F. CHOTHIA	
Name/s of the Grand Children of the Deceased	DELNAZ, NAUZER, SANAYA, ARIANA	
Name/s of Brother / Sister of the Deceased *	LATE HOMAL KEKI PARDIWALA DINYAR ERUCH TARAPORE	
Name/s of the Nephews / Nieces of the deceased GRAND CHILDREN	DELNAZ, NAUZER GREATERAND - BHAYAN, FRIYA SANAYA, ARIYANA XERXES, YAANAH	
Name/s of the In Laws of the deceased		
Names of the Father in Law AND Mother in Law of the Deceased	LATE SHIRIN H. CHOTHIA HORMUSTJI CHOTHIA	
Age at Death	84 YRS (Dt. of BIRTH - 20-10-1936)	
Pydast Date, Time & Bungli	6/2/21 3-45 PM HODIWALLA BUNGLI	
Uthamna Prayers	8/2/21 3-45 PM BEHRAM BAUG AGIYARI	
Signature	NAME ZUBIN BEHRAM CHOTHIA ADDRESS BLDG NO.1 'YAZAD' FLAT NO. 201, 2ND FLOOR, BEHRAM BAUG, BEHRAM BAUG RD, JOGESHWARI (W), MUMBAI MOBILE 9820102777 E.MAIL	
Date of Form Submission	Signature of the Duty Supervisor N. K. Damer	

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ક્યાં ગુજર્યા દેરમ

ઉમર ૮૪... સહેવાનું ઠેકાણું Bldg no. ૫ ફુલત નં ૪૦૪, હોદિવાલ

ગુજરાત પારસી કોલોની, જોગેશ્વરી મુંબઈ-૪૦૨

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પાયદસ્ત અમરચ ગુજરાત - ૩૦૪૫ વો હોદિવાલ

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બંગલી સુપરવાઈઝર N. K. Damer હકીકત કહેનારની સહી (SON) N. K. Damer

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2021/053	MR. KEKI (KEKOO) ASPANDIAR IRANI	IRANI BUNGALOW, NEAR KRISHNA NAGAR GATE, BOISAR, KHAIRAPADA, BOISAR (E), THANE 401 501	75	05.02.2021 AT 21:30 HRS.	06.02.2021 AT 09:00 HRS.	BHABHA BUNGLI NO. 1 DOONGERWADI MUMBAI	07.02.2021 AT 15:40 HRS	BHABHA BUNGLI NO. 1 DOONGERWADI MUMBAI

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**Vistaspar Cavas Mehta**  
Manager DOONGERWADI

**BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET**  
DEATH NOTIFICATION No. 2021/53

ROJ DEM MAH MEHER SHEHENSHAHI 1390 YAZDEZARDI. DATE 05.02.2021

Place of Death : Residence / Hospital - Name Of the Hospital SHINDE HOSPITAL BOISAR

Name Of the Deceased KEKI (Kekoo) ASPANDIAR IRANI

Residential Address (As per Death Registry Certificate) IRANI BUNGALOW, NEAR KRISHNA NAGAR GATE, BOISAR, KHAIRAPADA, BOISAR (E), THANE, MAHARASHTRA, 401501

Name of Husband / Wife of the Deceased DILNARAZ - KEKOO IRANI

Name of the Parents of the deceased LATE ASPANDIAR (ASPI) KAIKHUSHRO IRANI  
LATE TCHMEVA ASPANDIAR (ASPI) IRANI (MARZBAN)

Name/s of the Children of the Deceased KHUSHNUMA . HITESH . SANKHE  
KHUSHROO . KEKOO IRANI  
KHUSHROO . KEKOO IRANI  
NAAZREEN KHUSHROO IRANI  
FARZIN KHUSHROO IRANI  
HITESH . M . SANKHE

Name/s of the Daughter In Law / Son in Law of the Deceased MARZBAN

Name/s of the Grand Children of the Deceased MARZBAN . KHUSHROO IRANI  
PASHAN KHUSHROO IRANI

Name/s of Brother / Sister of the Deceased GEV . ASPI . MARZBAN

Name/s of the Nephews / Nieces of the deceased

Name/s of the In Laws of the deceased

Names of the Father in Law AND Mother in Law of the Deceased LATE NARIMAN . ALLOONA  
LATE SHIRIN . N . ALLOONA

Age at Death 75 YEARS

Pydast Date, Time & Bungli 06-02-2021, 9:00 AM. BHABHA-1 BUNGLI (DOONGERWADI)

Uthamna Prayers 07-02-2021, 3-40 PM.  
BHABHA-1 BUNGLI, DOONGERWADI

NAME KHUSHROO KEKOO IRANI  
ADDRESS NJIS, SHAPURJI BHARUCHA BANG  
S.V. ROAD, DOONGERWADI  
MOBILE 8108922133 E.MAIL. KHUSHROO IRANI@gmail.com

K K IRANI  
Signature

05-02-2021  
Date of Form Submission

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Signature of the Duty Supervisor

**બાંમ્બે પારસી પંચાયત**  
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રોજ રૂ. માહ 05.02.2021 શહેનશાહી સને ૧૩૯૦ ય.જ. તા.૧૫-૦૨-૨૦૨૧  
ગુજરાતનું નામ કેકી (કેકૂ) અસ્પંદિયાર ઇરાની (અસ્પંદિયાર)  
ક્યાં ગુજર્યા શીન્દે હોસ્પિટલ બોઈસર  
ઉંમર ૭૫ વર્ષ રહેવાનું ઠેકણ ઈરાની બંગ્લો, કૌશલ નગર ગેટ બોઈસર,  
ખૌરપડા, બોઈસર (ઈ), થાને, મહારાષ્ટ્ર, ૪૦૧૫૦૧

સગાઈ ને દીલનરાજ કેકૂ ઇરાની ના આર્તક  
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ના જમીન

પાયદસ્ત મિ. ૦૬-૦૨-૨૦૨૧ ના રોજે સવારે ૯:૦૦ કાલે,  
મિ.મિ.૨ બંગ્લી, ડોંગરવાડી મા હશે  
ઉઠમણની કિયા મિ. ૦૭-૦૨-૨૦૨૧ ના રોજે બપોરે ૩:૪૦ કાલે,  
મિ.મિ.૨ બંગ્લી, ડોંગરવાડી મા હશે

બંગ્લી સુપરવાઈઝર R-J. Davier wala ઉકીકત કહેનારની સહી K.K. IRANI  
05-02-2021 મો.નં. 8108922133



## Agiary/Daremeher/Atash Behram in Mumbai



**The Pirojshah Ardeshar Patel Agiary, S V Road, Andheri West, Mumbai 400058.**



**Mehella Patel Agiary, Nasserwanji Hirji Karani Agiary, Cusrow baug, Colaba, Mumbai**



**Rustom Faramna Agiary, Dadar Parsi colony, Dadar, Mumbai.**



**Sethna Agiary, Tardeo Road, Mumbai**



**Godavara (Gamadia) Agiary, Fort, Mumbai**



**Sorabj Khurshedji Thoothina Kadmi Adaran, Walkeshwar, Mumbai**



**Dadyseth Atash Behram, Fanaswadi, Girgaum, Mumbai**



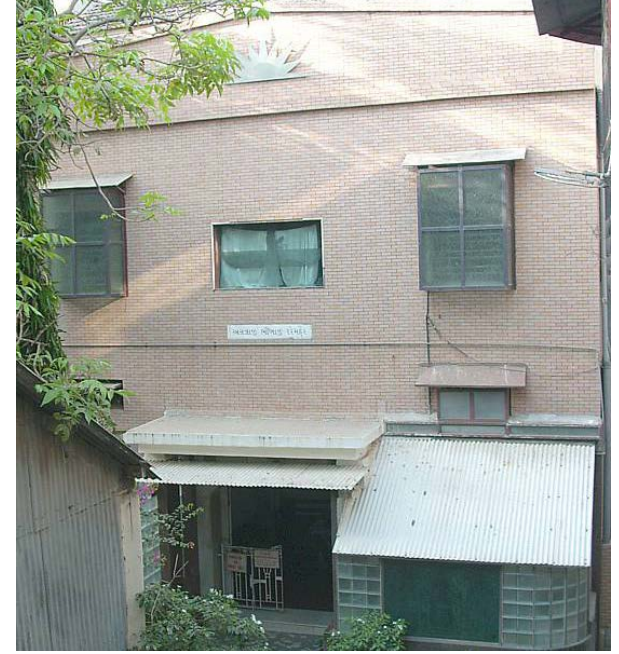
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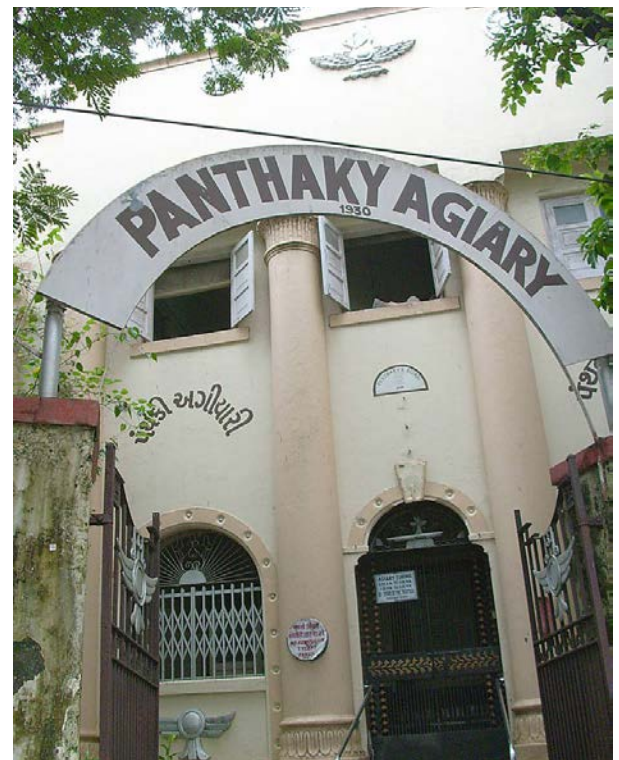
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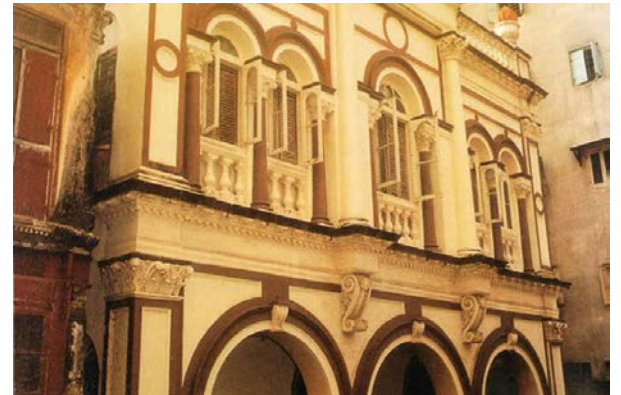
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**Bhikha Behram Well (Kuva), Fountain, Mumbai**



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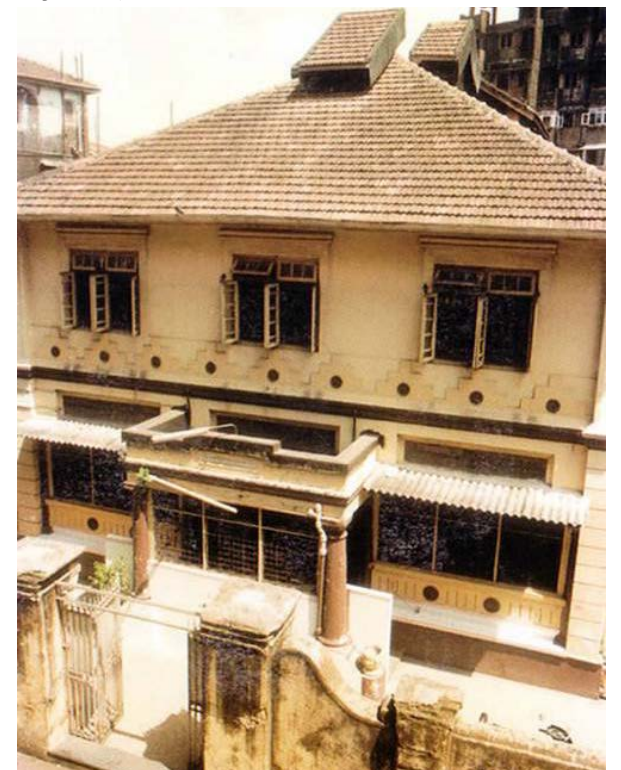
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**N. M. Petit Fasli Atash Kadeh, New Marine lines, Mumbai**



**Anjuman Atash Behram, Dhobi Talao, Mumbai. Wadiaji Atash Behram, Dhobi Talao, Mumbai.**



**CAWASJI MANECKJI ASHBURNER DAREMEHER (KADMI) (ADARIAN), Ardeshir Dady Street, Khetwadi, Mumbai.**



**Banaji Agiary, Fort, Mumbai. It is officially the oldest surviving fire temple in the city. The temple was established by Seth Banaji Limji, a prosperous Parsi businessman in 1709. In those days, Parsi enclaves were located in and around the Fort area**



**SETH ARDESHIR BHICAJEE PATEL DADGAH, Salsette Parsi Assoc., Andheri East, Mumbai.**



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## Hup-Two-Three-Four



Amidst untouched natural beauty lies a rich wildlife in Dhikala grasslands in Corbett. Although Corbett is known for Tigers, the Dhikala grasslands is also famous for the Asiatic elephants who congregate in large numbers specially during summer. This forest in India has the most beautiful landscape consisting of thick Sal trees, large grasslands and the Ramganga river. Herds of wild elephants gather here, and one can see the Matriarch leading the way and keeping the youngsters in line. This place is a treat for those who love nature and wildlife.



**Ruby B. Aderbad**

**Ruby B. Aderbad** works with an MMC in Mumbai and is an avid traveler who likes to digitally capture memories. She quotes that traveling is her drug of choice and is happily addicted to it. The mountains and jungles are her go-to places to detoxify, anything that connects her with nature.

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# TAROT PREDICTIONS FOR THE 12 MOON SIGNS (RAASHI) FOR THE WEEK

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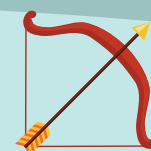
**Aries**  
(Mesh Raashi-a l e)

Transformation and changes are seen this week. For a few of you things will come to an end with someone who was not conducive for your life. Careerwise this week is very good. Growth and financial prosperity is seen. Overall your last seen thinking about the future and planning for it.



**Leo**  
(Simha Raashi-m tt)

Low energies surround your love life. You may be in separation from your person and hence feeling the blues. Careerwise is an excellent week as things will culminate and show you success. The advice is not to take unnecessary stress as it will have an impact on your health.



**Sagittarius**  
(Dhanu Raashi-bh f dh)

An excellent week overall. Things with regards to your love life look calm and chances are a long-term romance will end in married soon. Careerwise also things are on an upward movement. Overall an excellent week to make things happen successfully.



**Taurus**  
(Vrishabh Raashi-b v u)

A chance encounter or sudden progress in relationships is seen. You might meet someone by accident which could turn out to be a good relationship. Success and happy outcomes in the career section are also seen. However in general a sense of being tied up or a sense of being left out is there try to come out of this low mental zone.



**Virgo**  
(Kanya Raashi-p tthh)

Avoid making any decisions or choices with regards to your love life this week. You are in a state of illusion. Careerwise also there are clashes with people perhaps all the situation is not going your way. Be aware that you are a powerful creator and whatever you put your mind will will manifest. Think and act accordingly.



**Capricorn**  
(Makar Raashi-kh j)

Success and happiness when it comes to your love life is seen. For a few a few you will leave behind old and worn out relationships. Career wise progress and change is seen. Travel through your job is also on the cards. A good week to achieve name fame and success.



**Gemini**  
(Mithun Raashi-k chh gha)

This week you are seen being guarded with regards to matters of the heart. The advice is to take a risk and do not let your past interfere with present decisions. Career wise things will be slow. You may need to make certain sacrifices in order to see progress. Travel and movement of some kind is also seen.



**Libra**  
(Tula raashi-r t)

Positive movement and new energy is coming in with regards to your love life. For those who are single get ready to mingle. Careerwise things will be slow. You will not be able to get your head around a lot of things. Completion of cycles is seen this seen.



**Aquarius**  
(Kumbha Raashi-g s sh)

Someone might have got your eye. There is a possibility of pursuing this person and having a strong stable relationship. Careerwise it's a great time for new beginnings. A new job.. new financial opportunities are seen. Even with the good stuff happening around you are seen stressing out and having sleepless nights. Take care of your health.



**Cancer**  
(Karaka Raashi-dd h)

A good energy surrounds your love life this week. Talks about marriage or finding the right person seem to take place this week. Career wise the grind is the same and so you will feel things are monotonous. Overall new chances of new opportunities around you in terms of emotional growth.



**Scorpio**  
(Vrishchik Raashi-n y)

Patience and hard work in love life will bring you results. Careerwise also this is a great week success and fame is seen. Overall you will spend time with your family and prosperous ventures will surround you.



**Pisces**  
(Meena Raashi-d ch z th)

Peace and love surround you this week. For a few of you an old flame shall return. Careerwise you might have to make certain choices. Be rest assured you will get intuitive guidance. Advice is to meditate and journey in words for directions.





# Berjis Desai as a BBP trustee



**BERJIS DESAI**

Ever since Berjis Desai announced his candidature for the trustee election of 14th march 2021, he has been under constant attack from the ultra orthodox segment of our community under two main grounds—he was a reformist once upon a time and he has married a non-parsi not once but twice.

Parsi Junction has been in the forefront in support of Berjis Desai, who towers over all the other candidates. In racing parlance, Berjis Desai is a class i thoroughbred against the rest class vb ponies.

Yes he was a liberal at one time but that has all changed. His love for doongerwadi and dokhmenashini is proved by his consigning his mother at doongerwadi in 2017 and since then doing her baaj every year at limji banaji agiary.

He put his own personal money where his mouth is (unlike others who use charity funds for their personal battles) and fought for wadiaji atashbehram kash to be outside the purview of the underground metro right upto supreme court of india.

To protect parsi institutions and agiaries all over india he has set up the special trust named **“Parsi zoroastrian guards of the holy fire”**. Thus he has brought back the concept of the parsi rathestars of yore to look after and care for the holy fire. Once again Berjis Desai does not use charity funds or calls upon others to contribute their funds for the cause but uses his own funds for it starting with Rs. 25 Lakhs of his own money and is willing to contribute upto Rs. 5 Crores of his personal funds as and when required.

Having established his orthodox credentials, let us next examine the criticism of having married non-parsis twice.

So what! Today almost every parsi family has within its fold a non-parsi spouse with every third/ fourth marriage being an intercaste marriage.

**As far back as 1910, when orthodoxy was at its peak, the then high court in its definition of a parsi proclaimed that a child of a parsi male married to a non-parsi female would be a parsi. This maxim has been followed**

**right till this day without any challenge and hence the high court gave validity to a parsi male married to a non-parsi even in 1910.**

For those who talk of twice married, we need to clarify that his first wife and their child died during childbirth and berjis went through a trauma at that time.

**It is time the community realized that bombay parsi punchayet is not a religious trust. Yes doongerwadi is its biggest asset and maintenance of dokhmenashini its biggest duty. But like every trustee aspirant declares the trustees are bound to obey and follow the diktats of the high priests who lay down the religious farmans applicable to all parsis.**

Bpp is a large trust akin to lic and bombay port trust. It has over 5000 trust premises comprising both residential and commercial premises especially in Cusrow Baug, Ness Baug, Jer Baug and Navajbai Contractor Baug at mahim. It is the trustees duty to ensure the upkeep and maintenance of these properties for its parsi residents and from its income, look after the poor, middle class and all segments of parsi well being.

Berjis Desai is a director on the board of several multinationals and indian companies totalling about twenty large corporations. Since bpp is a large corporate body whose trustees have to ensure that all its properties and assets including doongerwadi and its two agiaries are efficiently looked after. And this is where Berjis Desai scores over all the other candidates with his directorial experience including specialising in arbitration and mediation.

With his brilliant legal mind he is bound to be a jewel in the bpp board. Can any other candidate hold a candle to him with hardly any track record of service to the community?

In keeping with our policy of transparency and accountability, we acknowledge the negativity of TZML against Berjis Desai and hopefully our paper has answered the charges of TZML against Berjis Desai and hopefully convince them of his orthodox bonafides.

Parsi Junction like Jame-Jamshed but unlike parsi times (which is otherwise reformist to the hilt but clever enough to pretend to be orthodox when needed) is a purely traditional paper wedded to further the orthodox viewpoint which is the only way that our community will

once again not only survive but hopefully thrive.

Parsi Junction believes in upholding “Tokham Pasbani” (marrying within the community and preserving our seed). But at the same time it cannot behave like an ostrich and bury its head in the sand refusing to see the truth of every third/fourth marriage being an intercaste marriage. Since the high court from 1910 till date has given parsi males the right to intermarry, who are we, after 110 years to question this obiter dicta..

**Yes TZML is right. We are all for the traditional cause and marrying within the community. But one has to be realistic in todays age and times when there is a non-parsi member in almost every parsi family today.**

**The latest shining example of the parsi vaccine king ‘adar poonawalla’ is also married to a non-parsi. Does that mean that all parsis should refuse to use his vaccine against corona virus or if he decides at some time in future to stand for trustee election, he should be discarded only on ground that he is married to a non-parsi even though his vaccine may have saved humanity and the parsi community.**

**Come on TZML do not make a big issue of a non-parsi wife as it is no longer an issue when you yourself proclaim and admit in your article that today 40% marriages are intercaste marriages.**

**About time TZML saw the writing on the wall and became more tolerant due to the changing times. We agree that parsi marriage should be encouraged and intercaste discouraged and this can happen only if various incentives are given and this is where Berjis Desai with his brilliant mind will be the saviour, as compared to the other candidates with hardly any track record he is outstanding trustee material for community benefit.**

TZML then recommends that he could deliver the same goods from outside and there is no need to be elected a trustee.

**We speak from authority and experience that what can be achieved from inside is ten times more than what he can achieve from outside. So stop fooling yourself and the community that he can achieve more from outside.**

**Years ago, Berjis Desai may have been**



a liberal and his views were not very orthodox. But since then he is a changed human being. He is now more orthodox than most of our orthodox pretenders.

Berjis Desai has been practicing transactional and dispute resolution laws for the last 40 years and was senior partner of the all india based law firm of j. Sagar and associates till he retired on reaching 60 ... "But i do believe that mediation is an art-form and it really requires a lot of emotional intelligence and understanding.

**It is about time that the traditionals are more realistic in todays times. Show us one orthodox who puts money where his**

**mouth is. Just because he is intermarried does it make him a lesser parsi when the high court in 1910 recognised as legal parsi males married outside.**

**We cannot believe that if an orthodox marries a non-parsi he is no longer an orthodox. Today every parsi family has a non-parsi spouse somewhere down the line. In which case there will be no orthodox left.**

**In 1910 the tata's marriage to a french lady led to high court defining a parsi which has stood the test of time. Then came the petit lady's marriage to jinnah, followed by the wadia scion marrying a christian leading to dissolution of the**

**wadia trust and handing it over to bpp. Thus for the last over one hundred years, no parsi male has been deprived of his religion merely because he married a non-parsi.**

Hence it is hoped that the saner members of our community will not disqualify a brilliant legal mind who has agreed to serve the community.

**Like stated earlier, one can do ten times more from inside and hence it is only a bogey to think otherwise.**

The community should welcome our prodigal son back into our fold with open arms.

## IDMA, Lions Club (Byculla) Donate Medicines To Hospice



In an initiative headed by Lion Daara B Patel, IDMA and Lions Club of Byculla completed their annual contribution of medicines to Shanti Avedna Sadan, India's first hospice for the advanced and terminally ill cancer patients, at Bandra, Mumbai, on 26th January, 2021. Shanti

Avedna Sadan offers the specialized care of a hospital along with the warmth of a home. For years now, IDMA and Lions Club of Byculla have been keeping up this tradition of donating medicines to the hospice.

### Valentine!

Why should Valentine day

Should be celebrated Once a year instead of 365 days of the year?

Cooing: "I Love You":

As well exchanging Cards gifts and flowers

Doesn't amount to anything

It's the Thoughts as well actions

Behind the gifts that go with it

Let us this Valentine's day Sprinkle seeds love happiness

Peace prosperity

To all of humanity

Instead of Hate Racism

Discrimination Bigotry

**Choicest Happiness**

**Farida**



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# Keeping the historic Parsi Gara alive



Chinese origin, such as the bridges, pagodas, boatmen and shrines. The colours comprise of two shades. The base fabric is generally darker with ivory thread work or a pastel-coloured textile is embroidered with multicoloured threads.

## What is Parsi Gara?

The Parsi Gara, in a nutshell, is three things. Indian embroidery with a Persian heritage and a Chinese origin. The Parsi embroidery can be traced

back to 650 AD where Persian women undertook the Indian style of clothing.

Parsi Gara work is an emblem of style and elegance, one of the finest and most under-celebrated styles of embroideries to emerge from the homeland.

Made with a generous dose of artisanal love, each unique item promises to be a bold personal statement of regal style and exclusivity using heritage timeless embroidery forms of Parsi Gara and Zardozi to deliver designs that are truly from another realm.

## Supporting the art and artisans



Besides admiring the artistic craftsmanship and creative nuances, what comes to mind when we think of Gara and Zardozi- too expensive and rare, right?. Meet sisters and designer duo- Kainaz and Firoza who are not just reviving the historic craft but making them accessible to the millennials- who are so inclined towards western brands.

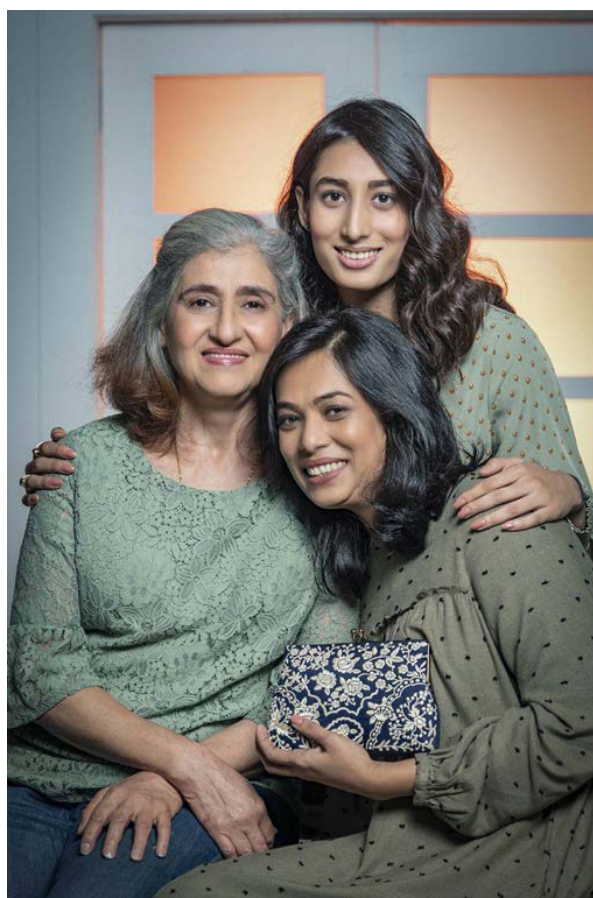


## Each design is special



Kainaz and Firoza's endeavour Jophiel has breathed life into Parsi Gara embroidery, zardozi and beadwork, which are centuries – old soulful art forms with heavy influences from Persian, Chinese and Indian cultures.

The main stitches that are all intricately entwined are satin stitch, crewel stitch, stem stitch and French knot. Geometric designs are rarely used and most patterns are influenced by scenes and stories of



The initiative has empowered artisans to keep their work alive. What is being considered a forgot art is coming back to the mainstream by Kainaz and Firoza.

The initiative also endeavours to encourage the artisans of this craft. It aspires to be a beacon of the women entrepreneurship spirit and supports the fight against pediatric cancer as a social cause and have tied up with the Cuddles Foundation that nurtures this cause (by pledging a portion of our earnings).

## Bollywood actors get vocal

To support the initiative, Perizaad Zorabian, Nauheed Cyrusi, Swimming Champion Maana Patel, Dalip Tahil, Zeba Kohli, Sandip Soparrkar, Tanaaz and Bakhtiar Irani, Anurag Chauhan, Khushnum Buhariwala, Benafsha Soonawala, model Anushree Sardesai and Shaurya Pratap Singh who have modelled to support and revive the art form.



### Light and Darkness

Everyone is a moon, and has a dark side which he never shows to anybody.

It's stated that  
Knowledge brings  
About enlightenment  
Whereas ignorance  
Brings about darkness

When humanity  
Lives with a close mind  
Refusing to change  
By closing the shades  
As well as blinds  
Not letting fresh  
Air is stifling the mind

Darkness and ignorance  
Erupts in dark ugly outburst  
Of hatred anger discrimination  
Racism Bigotry war violence  
Gets unleashed in society

If we use the  
Power of Reasoning  
Let sunshine and  
Fresh air in  
Humanity would  
Be a lot happier  
Cause the ugly burden  
Would be lifted  
And feel a lot  
Happier and cheerful  
Within

Lastly I wish to add:  
"Smile and the world smiles with you  
Weep and you weep alone"

**Choicest Happiness**  
**Farida**

### Politics and Religion

Discussion is an exchange  
Of thoughts and knowledge  
Promote it

Argument is an exchange  
Of Ego and Ignorance  
Avoid it.

Mix politics with religion  
And what's the  
End result?  
A concoction  
Of a truly  
Confused Zoroastrian.  
(With due respect)

I respect people who  
Tell me the truth  
No matter how  
Hard it is.

Dearly departed  
Ervad Jamasp Asha  
Did the same

Had a spine as well courage  
Sticking to his principles

No human has a  
Monopoly over wisdom  
No matter how famous  
Or for that matter  
How many degrees  
Tagged to your name  
He is not interested in  
Money titles or power  
But how you play the game.

Nobody is ensured a  
Place in heaven  
Or for that matter Hell  
It's only when one's soul  
Arrives at the "Pearly Gates"  
That's when He will tell.

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