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WELL DONE DR. ZULEIKA HOMAVAZIR

SHE HAS MOVED TRUSTEES FOR REDUCTION OF TERM OF OFFICE OF A TRUSTEE FROM SEVEN TO FIVE YEARS.



Dr. Zuleika Homavazir

The Community will recall that during campaigning for the October 2015 elections, all the then candidates promised that if they were elected as Trustees they would ensure that the present Election Scheme sanctioned by the High Court in 2008 would be amended to incorporate therein reduction of term of a Trustee from the present seven years to five years and maximum term as a Trustee to be fifteen years, that all go in together and hold one election every five years for all seven Trustees vacancy, that interim election if any Trustee expired or resigned would be for the balance period only, an enforceable Code of Conduct would be implemented and several such consequential amendments as the Court would approve.

The five Trustees elected in October 2015, along with two Continuing Trustees, after they took office split up into two camps-Kersi Randeria as the defacto Chairman, Yazdi Desai the inconsequential Chairman, Noshir Dadrawala who was hounded out in 2011 by the same Yazdi Desai and Khojeste Mistry the two Wapiz Trustees, and Zarir Bhathena, the partner of Slum Developer Kersi Randeria, being the Majority Group who controlled the BPP like Dictators, as commented by the High Court Judge whilst the Minority Group comprised Mrs. Armaity Tirandaz, late Muncherji Cama and the Youth Icon Viraf Mehta.

The Majority Trustees became so drunk with Power and the sudden and full control of BPP that they started mistreating the Minority Trustees like Untouchables and instructed the staff not to give them any files, papers, documents, Minutes etc forcing them to move the High Court where they got immediate justice and the Majority Trustees a tight rap on their knuckles.

In spite of being in absolute power for at least the first five years of their seven year term, the Majority Trustees did not bother to even frame the proposed Amendments for discussion in any Board meeting leave aside moving the Chamber Judge for the Amendments.

God has his own ways to rectify matters when Evil of Kersi Randeria takes over and Yazdi Desai suffered a stroke in April 2020 but resigned only in December 2020 and Zarir Bhathena after months in hospital expired in July 2019. Ultimately in December 2020, Armaity Tirandaz got Justice from the Almighty and was elected Chairman and the Despot rule of Kersi Randeria, the blood sucker of poor Slum Dwellers, at last came to an end.

But since Elections had to be held urgently and were initially announced for March 2021, there was no time to

the Minority Trustees to move for amendment of the Election Scheme.

However due to the Covid pandemic and the virulent second phase these elections have had to be postponed from time to time and now till November 2021.

In the meantime Dr. Zuleika Homavazir, one of the March 2021 candidate sent a recommendation mail to the Trustees that the term of office of all Trustees to be elected henceforth should be restricted to five years only. She has sought only this single simple one word amendment due to paucity of time.

If she were to move the Trustees/Court for a detailed amendment then it is most likely that it would not get done before October 2022 leading the community to suffer more of Kersi Randeria's antics by inadvertent extension of their term and hence she has sought just this very limited amendment of Reduction of term of office of a Trustee to be elected henceforth from seven years to five years.

We will let Zuleika speak for herself on this important amendment as under:

From Zuleika Homavazir on 20/08/2021 6:06 pm

"TRANSPARENCY INCREASES THE COST OF HIDING THE TRUTH"

My Dear Community Members,

Respect is Earned, Honesty is Appreciated, Trust is Gained and Loyalty is Retained. Lack of Transparency results in Misdeeds, Distrust and deep sense of Insecurity.

The Golden Rules of Transparency must be loyally followed by one and all at the BPP to vanquish insubordination and create sublime working conditions for the sole benefit of our Community.

The following "Proposed Letter to the BPP Trustees along with the responses of Trustee Noshir Dadrawala are published hereunder, courtesy Parsi Junction, as my Oath of Transparency to my Community.

Patching up indifferences and working together towards a better and brighter future had remained a distant Dream for the Board of the BPP, ultimately affecting our own Community.

A vital transformation has to be appreciated - Trustee Noshir Dadrawala on joyously turning into a Senior Citizen is glad to witness better and new beginnings starting the 19th of this month. Belated Birthday Wishes to Noshir.



VITAL QUESTIONS BUT VAGUE REPLIES will hopefully be a thing of the Past, once every Trustee thinks and acts positively without malice, sole responsibility being the benefit of the Beneficiaries. The Trustees do not have the magic wand to please every Beneficiary though they could work without any malicious intentions, without any pressure of Influentials around them.

HOPE AND PRAY Kersi Randeria too witnesses the Divine Light at the end of this Dark Tunnel at the Board of the BPP and takes the CUE.

IT IS MY EARNEST APPEAL TO ALL **THE TRUSTEES TO SHELVE THEIR INDIFFERENCES, WORK TOGETHER TO**

CREATE A CORPUS WHICH COULD PROVIDE SECURITY TO OUR COMMUNITY

GOD BLESS US ALL AND GUIDE US SAFELY THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC.

KHORDAD SAAL MUBARAK TO ALL MY DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

Your Partner In The Progress Of Our Community.

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir.
9821033786

REDUCTION OF TERM OF OFFICE FOR A TRUSTEE TO FIVE YEARS.

From: Zuleika Homavazir <voteforzuleika@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 2:16 PM

To: artirandaz@gmail.com; dasturxerxes@gmail.com; viraf@viraf.com; noshirbpp@gmail.com; kranderia@ahuramazdagroup.com

Cc: bppceoas@gmail.com; bppdyceosk@gmail.com

Subject: REDUCTION OF TERM OF OFFICE FOR A TRUSTEE TO FIVE YEARS

Dear Trustees,
Refer attachment and prompt action be taken.

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir.
9821033786

ENCL: Letter of Proposal and responses.

17/08/2021

The Trustees, C.E.O., Bombay Parsi Punchayet, 209, D. N. Road, Fort, MUMBAI 400001.

SUB: REDUCTION OF TERM OF OFFICE FOR A TRUSTEE TO FIVE YEARS.

Dear Trustees,

In Continuation of my earlier communication, the Code of Conduct for Candidates nominated for Election to Trusteeship, has time and again for reasons best known to you, remained VOLUNTARY to date. You must realise that the Voluntary Code of Conduct evolved in 2008 stipulated a 7 year term for Trusteeship, which is totally inconsistent with any Election Process anywhere in the World.

The Election of 2015 and thereafter, the candidates in their campaign, promised to resign at the end of 5 years which never happened and also promised that they would amend the Election Scheme to reduce the term of office for a Trustee to 5 years only, along with other amendments as necessary.

The Majority Trustees led by Kersi Randeria though in power for five years conveniently did not move the Hon'ble High Court either for finalization of Code of Conduct nor to reduce the term to 5 years. As Armaity Tirandaz took over only in December 2020, the new majority has had no time to amend the Election Scheme for Voluntary Code of Conduct.

However a simple amendment to reduce the term from 7 years to 5 years is distinctly possible and this should be done before the announcement of the election for filling up the vacancies of two Trustees.

Similarly, a few of the Unscrupulous Candidates during 2015, despite their signed acceptance of the Voluntary Code of Conduct refused to comply by it (FOOD FOR VOTES), as Code of Conduct remained "Voluntary" and no action could possibly be Legally Enforced upon them.

Even during the March 2021 Election, which remains postponed due to Covid, **Mrs. Anahita Desai in Connivance with the Dissenting Trustees, irresponsibly visited a few Colonies, before any permission was granted by you Trustees to the Candidates. Such uncalled for dominance will always be taken by Unscrupulous Crooked Candidates who will take undue advantage of the VOLUNTARY CODE OF CONDUCT.**

Under the circumstances since full amendment of the Scheme is not possible due to lack of time, a simple reduction of term from 7 to 5 years is possible and should be done before holding any further elections.

You are now absolutely required to approach the Hon'ble High Court to enforce the term of Trusteeship reduced to 5 years, before the commencement of the oncoming election schedule. Any delay would cause undue trouble to our community due to such a large term of office.

You are urged to urgently/immediately move the Court, to reduce the term of office to five years.

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir.
9821033786

As expected Noshir Dadrawala was first off the block and without approval of the other Trustees wrote to her On 17-8-2021 that Kersi Randeria gave the draft amendments to the Election Scheme to the Board more than two years ago. Dr. Homavazir has rightly sought the board meeting date at which the draft amendments were placed. To which till date there has been no clarification.



On Tue, 17 Aug 2021 at 4:28 PM, Noshir BPP <noshirbpp@gmail.com> wrote:
Dear Ms. Homavazir,



Noshir Dadrawala

The draft amendments to the Scheme were given to the Board by Trustee Kersi Randeria more than two years ago. This included reducing the term of office to five years. You really need to ask some of the trustees (may be through Parsi Junction) as to why it was not taken forward?

You have stated: "The Election of 2015 and thereafter, the candidates in their campaign, promised to resign at the end of 5 years which never happened."

Madam, in October 2021 I along with Kersi Randeria and Viraf Mehta will complete six years of our term of office. I have made no such promise to resign after five year. But, regardless, **I am ready and willing to resign with immediate effect, provided all other trustees also agree to resign and fresh elections are held this year for all seven seats.**

You have my word for it and PJ where you seem to be writing or get written about, is welcome to quote me, "I am ready and willing to resign with immediate effect, provided all other trustees also agree to resign and fresh elections are held this year for all seven seats."

Thank you for bringing this up.

Kind regards.

Noshir H. Dadrawala

Zuleika questioned the correctness of the assertions made by Noshir on behalf of Kersi Randeria as also the false bravado of resigning only if all seven Trustees resign which he is well aware that two Trustees have different term of expiry and nobody is going to resign before his term expires.

On Thu, 19 Aug 2021, 9:47 am Zuleika Homavazir, <voteorzuleika@gmail.com> wrote:

Mr. Noshir Dadrawala

My letter of proposal to the sitting Trustees on the Board of BPP for amendment of the Scheme of Elections to decrease the term of Trusteeship to 5 years seem to have irked you no end. Instead of acting on this direct proposal with substantial evidence, you belied on a personal level.

I anticipated your vague reply without any details to hide your's as well as your Majority Trustees' utter disgusting failure to amend the Scheme of Elections, though you and your criminal accomplice Kersi Randeria were in absolute power for five long years, after which God intervened and left you and your scamster partner hanging in desperation and frustration.

In view of your irrelevant reply, I as a Beneficiary have the privilege to now force you to pin point the date when the draft amendments were put up in which board meeting for consideration by the Board of Trustees in view of the transparency which you so boast about.

Though I am aware that various drafts were prepared under the leadership of your own proposed candidate Berjis Desai in 2016, but none of you took up the challenge to present it before the Board for consideration. Of course one cannot blame Armaity Tirandaz, Muncherji Cama and Viraf Mehta who were treated as UNTOUCHABLES and not allowed to function as Trustees for almost three years till the Hon'ble High Court rendered justice to them.

You being ready and willing to resign has a huge proviso which all of us know will never happen. Stop playing the Sympathy Card! As Wily as a Fox, you cleverly lay down the condition "Provided all other trustees also agree to resign and fresh elections are held this year for all seven seats." Why should those elected after you not have a right to complete their term of seven years just as you do?

You are aware that those whose term is yet to be completed, are not going to resign before their term ends, hence to show your false bravado, you belie and hide behind such a condition.

You act so fed up, why not resign now as it will be at no cost to BPP funds. Oh No! You want to be a Trustee for a full seven year term and yet want to deny others their full seven year term. Double standards is your Forte, right? Anyways my proposed letter written in simple English was misunderstood by the so very learned that it remained Misconstrued by you, the proposed term of 5 years in office, an amendment if granted by the Hon'ble High Court will be for the Trustees elected after the amendment. So stop jumping to unwarranted conclusions.

Since 5 new Trustees are to be elected within a year and two more thereafter, it is imperative to restrict their term to five years which is the constructive need as well as the Call of our Community. **Five long years, you and your criminal accomplice, facing several FIRs, did nothing to amend the Scheme and its various provisions including the Code of Conduct which remains Voluntary, a toothless tiger. Why continue with such a Code where violators cannot be reprimanded?**

We are aware that if we sought full amendment of the Election Scheme, it will not be done by or before October 2022 and you and your criminal partner would love to extend your term till the Scheme of Elections is amended. **Just to avoid that eventuality, what I do propose is a simple single page amendment only of the term of office to be reduced from seven years to five years as the primary step and the rest of the amendments can be done once the new Board is elected in October 2022.**

So, Mr. Dadrawala, stop swaying like a Pendulum, I hope you will support my interim proposal only for reduction of term of office and



not create deliberate hitches or needless controversies and the Board will unanimously move the Chamber Judge for this urgent relief before the elections are held.

Awaiting your co-operation though I am sure your partner **Kersi Randeria will never AGREE AS HE IS KEEN ON RETAINING HIS SEAT OF POWER FOR AN ADDITIONAL TERM OF SEVEN YEARS.**

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir.
9821033786

Noshir to take a short cut and avoid further confrontation with Zuleika took a sudden moralistic stand that she was rude and offensive and hence ended the exchange of mails.

On Thu, 19 Aug 2021 at 12:03 PM, Noshir BPP <noshirbpp@gmail.com> wrote:

I had responded to your email politely.
I would have gladly answered each and every point if you had chosen to keep this a civil conversation.

Unfortunately you have chosen to be rude and offensive, which of course is your choice but leaving me with no choice but close this conversation right here.

Let me know whenever you are ready to discuss in a polite and civil manner and we can pick up from there onward.

Best wishes.

Noshir H Dadrawala

Taking advantage of Noshir's window to discuss in a polite and civil manner and Zuleika realizing that she may have crossed a boundry and not wanting to lose the help of Noshir Dadrawala to reduce the term to five years then sent the below mail:

On Thu, 19 Aug 2021 at 22:38, Zuleika Homavazir <voteforzuleika@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Mr. Noshir Dadrawala,

I am sure you will agree to the fact "Pride is the most destructive vice, yet self pity tops the list as it ruins everything that's good and fulfils all the prophecies it makes and eventually ends all relationships". So, never let your ego keep something broken that your heart wants to fix.

My reply to your response to my proposal letter addressed to all the Trustees of the BPP cannot be termed as rude or offensive.

Yes, I did refer to you as "Wily as a Fox" and also advised you to "stop swaying like a pendulum" which are common references of you made by many of your known Community friends. I presume

you were aware of this and should not have taken any umbrage. "NO OFFENCE".

Let's henceforth not cross any boundaries. I am keen and open to discuss in your proposed polite and civil manner as the need of the hour for the benefit of our Community is to reduce the term of BPP Trusteeship to five years. Furthermore necessary steps be also taken to confirm the Code of Conduct.

I do agree on using harsh adages for Kersi Randeria due to reasons best known to both of us. Yet I believe that the worst distance between two people is misunderstanding.

"Apologising does not always mean one is wrong, it just means that one values intent more than ego."

So dear Mr. Noshir let's call it quits and work towards our goal to reduce the term of BPP Trusteeship to five years before the next elections take place.

Let's pick up the pieces and move on for the Progress of Our Community.

Sincerely yours,
Dr. Zuleika Homavazir

Noshir the gentleman than gracefully accepted the apology of Zuleika who was keen to reduce the term to five years and wanted Noshir's help to get the reduction of term as that would make her proposal a reality to move the Judge in Chamber for this simple amendment of only term of office of a Trustee:

From: **Zuleika Homavazir** <voteforzuleika@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, 20 Aug 2021 at 6:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: REDUCTION OF TERM OF OFFICE FOR A TRUSTEE TO FIVE YEARS.

Dear Mr. Noshir Dadrawala,

Honest disagreements are progressive steps to Achievements.

Many Happy Returns Of The Day to you.

Life isn't meant to be filled with worries, it's to be packed with awesome memories, set yourself free as it's never too late to change your destiny.

Best wishes,
Dr. Zuleika Homavazir

We will have to wait for the next Board meeting of Tuesday 24th August 2021 and hope that the proposal of reduction of term from present seven years to five years will be approved and they will urgently move the Court to approve this amendment before the next round of Elections are announced and held.



DPC's RUSTOM FRAMNA AGIARY IN THE EYE OF A STORM



Last week was a tumultuous week for the Parsi community when social media went berserk with comments and photos of non Parsis inside the Rustom Framna Agiary. It seems the local MLA and Corporator along with a police Inspector had taken permission of the Trustees to plant pomegranate seeds in the garden around the Agiary.

However when these gentlemen came to the Agiary, the Boyewalla on duty at that time Ervad Kaizad Karkaria welcomed them into the corridor of the Agiary initially and then were taken on a tour of the Agiary except the holy portions holding the holy fire and the Muktaf tables. Photos of their tour went viral and the whole community was quite upset with Ervad Kaizad calling for his removal till the Managing Trustee Nasha Jassawala issued a clarificatory mail and for the moment the controversy has died out. We give below a mail from

a Rusi Patel and a Minoos Palsetia which eloquently expresses the hurt feelings of the community at the desecration albeit inadvertently committed by Ervad Kaizad.

TO THE TRUSTEE MR. HOSI DASTOOR OF THE WADIJI ATASHBEHRAM:

“Dear Trustee Saheb,
it is our humble request to remove this so called shallow man called KAIZAD KARKARIA IMMEDIATELY from the post of the Boiwalla of the Wadiji Atashbehram. The reason is: forget being a Boiwalla, KAIZAD KARKARIA is NOT FIT to be a Priest or an Ervad either.
THIS TRAITOR KAIZAD KARKARIA SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE POST OF AN ATASHBEHRAM BOIWALLA. First & Foremost KAIZAD KARKARIA IS NOT A KHUB



BARESHNOOMWALA Mobed so on what grounds has he been given this crown to wear? KAIZAD KARKARIA is a man who cares an absolute damn about our Padshahsahebs, who has committed a major blunder inspite of knowing fully well the problems & anguish it would cause to the Behdins in the entire community yet this man KAIZAD KARKARIA went ahead & brought non parsis into the Rustom Faram Agiary.

Who knows KAIZAD KARKARIA can always do the same things in the Wadiaji Atashbehran? TRUSTEE SAHEB, THIS KAIZAD KARKARIA HAS BROUGHT SHAME & ANGUISH TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY & IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDS TO BE TAKEN REGARDING THIS MATTER. This KAIZAD KARKARIA moves around in tiny shorts & bathroom slippers 24 hrs a day. Tell me one thing, which Atashbehran Boiwalla ever moves around in shorts and bathroom slippers. No Ervad ever moves around in bathroom slippers. MOST IMP IS THAT KAIZAD KARKARIA'S HEAD IS ALSO NOT COVERED 24 HRS A DAY.

IF KAIZAD KARKARIA DIDN'T WANT TO FOLLOW ALL THE TARIKATS PROPERLY AND TAKE RESPONSIBILITIES OF BEING A BOIWALLA OF THE WADIAJI ATASHBEHRAN IN THE FIRST PLACE, WHY DID HE ACCEPT THE OFFER.

MY QUESTION IS WHO & WHICH INTELLECTUAL PERSON HAS REFERRED HIM OR APPOINTED HIM AS A BOIWALLA OF OUR WADIAJI ATASHBEHRAN?

A man like KAIZAD KARKARIA will sell our religion off completely.

KAIZAD KARKARIA IS A STIGMA TO THE ENTIRE MOBED FRATERNITY. An Atashbehran Boiwalla has to know each & every Kriyas Tarikats on the tip of their tongues but this man KAIZAD KARKARIA sad to say, leave alone a Nirangdin must NOT HAVE PERFORMED EVEN ONE VANDIDAD in his entire life so why employ him as a Boiwalla since the last 3 years?

PLEASE TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION AND REMOVE HIM NOW.

KAIZAD KARKARIA HAS BROUGHT TOTAL SHAME AND ANGUISH TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

From A Concerned Parsi:
*Mr Rusi Patel*FB j.”

ANOTHER GENTLMAN, MINOO PALSETIA WROTE AS UNDER:

“Dear Humdeens

SUBJECT: REGARDING ERVAD KAIZAD KARKARIA BRINGING NON PARSIS INTO THE AGIARY ON PRETEXT OF PLANTING TREES.

This is also to bring to the notice of the Community Members that Ervad Kaizad had taken an extremely wrong decision by NOT ALLOWING Behdins to attend the Muktd of their near and Dear ones. This Ervad Kaizad loves to stay in the limelight at any cost. He was circulating photos and videos all throughout the Muktds of his Agiary with the vases, flowers etc. This matter is totally unacceptable and is an extremely wrong doing. The Community members are

not at all aware that Ervad Kaizad IS ALSO A BOIWALLA OF THE WADIAJI ATASHBEHRAN.

MOST IMPORTANT IS THAT AN ATASHBEHRAN BOIWALLA HAS TO BE A MOTTI KHUB NA BARESHNOOMWALLA MOBED WHICH ERVAD KAIZAD IS NOT.

Ervad Kaizad is a thug of the first order. By appointing Ervad Kaizad as a Boiwalla of of the Wadiaji Atashbehran is a great crime & the Mobed who has appointed and initiated him as a Boiwalla is the biggest thug, for appointing a person like Ervad Kaizad whereby he is not cheating himself but also the community on the whole. The entire history geography of this Ervad Kaizad can be derived from Ervad Mahiar Panthaky cell no 9821049251, an ex employee of Rustom Faram Agiary and also an officer in New India Assurance.

Ervad Kaizad being a full time Boiwalla of Wadiaji Atashbehran is seen very frequently bare headed without a topi and nicely moving around in shorts in the entire Dadar Parsi colony. The Trustees Of Wadiaji Atashbehran & Of Rustom Faram Agiary are totally blind folded about Ervad Kaizad is not a Bareshnoomwalla Mobed at all or they are fooling the Community Members.

From
Minoo Palsetia.”

We give below the statement of Managing Trustee of the Agiary, Nasha Jassawalla which clears many misconceptions.

**“To, Community members,
The local Corporator came to our Agiary to plant a few saplings, as a token of goodwill, for which prior permission was granted.**

On seeing a few Parsis enter the Agiary, our Manager Er. Kaizad was questioned. He explained that people had come in simply to collect their vases, and not for anything else, which the authorities were satisfied with.

The main doors of the central room housing the consecrated fire were shut, which authorities were not privy to nor even interested in entering.

Er. Kaizad also showed them that we have sufficient room for social distancing, and hence be permitted to allow a few behdins to attend important ceremonies.

In no way was the sanctity of the Agiary compromised. It was a decision that had to be taken on spur of the moment. Er. Kaizad has been advised to exercise greater discretion in future.

If any sentiments have been hurt, Trustees express their regret.

The matter is now closed and no further clarifications will be issued or correspondence entertained in this matter.

**Nasha R.Jassawalla
Chairman/Managing Trustee
R N RustomFaramna Agiary. “**



VOLUNTARY INCREASE IN SECURITY/SERVICE CHARGES.



Phiroze Amroliwalla

The Editor,
Parsi Junction.

Dear Sir,

CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE OF BAUG ASSOCIATIONS AND COMMITTEES

I have been penning my thoughts in your Parsi Junction for almost two years mostly on BPP-related matters. My intention to write has been with malice to none, mainly to inform the community of the goings-on in the BPP which do not find mention in the other Parsi Media, both controlled by a Trustee of BPP. For this, I have received both bouquets and brickbats which is to be expected.

My attention is drawn to the excellent work done by the Welfare Association of the Parsi Punchayet Complex at Nirlon, Goregaon which wanted funds for diverting the water, which flooded their property especially near F and G buildings there, into a nullah to be constructed so that the residents are not inconvenienced.

This association in order to carry out improvements in their activities concerning their colony, instead of approaching the Trustees for funds have on their own decided not to further burden the BPP when it is facing a financial crunch.

They, therefore, decided to raise the funds from their colony residents themselves. Because of this initiative of the residents, we are given to understand that BPP has agreed to bear 50% share of the cost, and **the residents share is to be recovered as per the request of the Welfare Association by increasing the Service Charges by additional Rs. 20/ pm per flat.** (This is as per the information received and we hope that it is substantially correct).

While on the issue of self help, I would like to take this opportunity to state that we in Khan Estate also did something similar.

After the resignation of the previous security committee which functioned for a decade, the security at Khan Estate was taken care of by BPP through their own watchmen. This cost the trust for each guard per **8-hour**



shift around Rs. 30/- to Rs. 35/- thousand per guard pm. At this rate, BPP could hardly afford **ONLY** one guard per shift and which resulted in a monthly liability of around Rs.70,000/-. Besides, a few residents were unhappy with this arrangement as there was no watchman for night duty when it was most required.

The present board with Ms. Armaity Tirandaz as Chairperson decided to delegate this responsibility back to a new committee of residents.

Khan estate is a small colony of only seventy flats out of which around 10 flats are closed for long durations. And though due to the pandemic some residents were not available, the new committee found acceptance and support from fifty flats including from all but one from the previous committee.

The New Security Committee, which started functioning from December 2020, put their hands in their pockets and among the three members contributed Rs.40,000/-. The committee got a shot in the arm, as different from



a vaccine jab, from a past Trustee who helped out with a handsome donation of Rs. 50,000/-.

This encouraged others too who not only supported the committee's work but volunteered help and advice to the committee as also helped raise funds through appeals for voluntary contributions for a cabin for the guards and CCTV for their complex and managed to raise more than Rs.3/- lakhs within a short time.

This sum also includes Rs.23,000/- from a lady who chooses to be identified as a wellwisher, and has willingly offered more! These contributions helped meet the capital expenditure to some extent.



The committee having raised a substantial sum through Voluntary contributions, also decided that cutting costs was equally important. To this end, the security committee extended a helping hand to the BPP by accepting the responsibility of managing and running the Water pumps and compound and building lights by delegating this responsibility to our Security guards thus saving the BPP the recurring costs in wages for a pumpman hitherto provided by the BPP.

However to meet recurring monthly expenses due to rising wages and other infrastructure maintenance etc,

the committee has only now requested BPP to recover from every flat in Khan Estate an additional sum of Rs. 75/ pm as well as recover extra Rs. 40/ pm from two wheeler Owners and Rs. 120/ pm from four wheeler Owners, which request has been accepted by the Trustees recently. Thus the running expenses of Security per month as well as CCTV will be met by the residents from this voluntary contribution of the residents.

The security committee through the Parsi Junction wishes to express their thanks to the BPP board and CEO Mr. Sarkari for their help and encouragement and

appeals to all Parsis in general and Khan estate residents, in particular, to work unitedly and in harmony for the benefit of our community!

Phiroze Amroliwalla

Parsi Junction congratulates both these Associations for taking a pro active approach to bear the extra cost by the residents of the Colony instead of being a burden on BPP especially knowing the present financial crisis the BPP is passing through. We hope other Baugs will follow the lead given by these two smallest Associations of BPP.

Khordad Sal

The Birthday of our Prophet Zarathushtra

In our sacred scriptures, Prophet Zarathushtra is given the status of a Yazata – a Divine Being, worthy of worship. He is called 'aevo', the foremost, unique in the Gathas.

His thoughts, words and deeds are described as being of the Highest Inspiration (Yasna 28.0) and he is venerated by the entire creation as well as the Amesha Spentas.

Avesta says that it was a time of great spiritual, physical and moral oppression. The levels of evil on the earth had reached such proportions that the very existence of earth was in question. The soul of the earth (Geush Urvan) cried out to the Creator to send someone who could lift this crushing load from her drooping shoulders.

At this time, Ahura Mazda declares His plan to Geush Urvan of sending down Zarathushtra to rid the world of its accumulated evil and to establish the Zoroastrian faith, which was to be the supercharged version of the Mazdayasni faith which existed at that time.

The birth of Spitman Zarathushtra is an amazing event of divine spiritual intervention when arrangements for his birth were made. Spitman means "white and pure" and Zarathushtra means "golden shining star". Asho Zarathushtra Saheb saw the light of the day with the khoreh of Dadaar Ahura Mazda in the morning of Roj Khordad Mah Farvardin.

When Zarathushtra descended on the earth, His mission was manifold. Not only did He establish the Mazdayasni Zarathushtri faith and the Divine Pav Mahel from which we draw strength and sustenance even today, He also laid the foundations for the future emergence of other faiths. This is why he is given the title of Vakshure Vakshuran in Pahlavi (Prophet of Prophets.)

He created the Divine Fshusho Manthra Nasks – the most potent prayers containing the entire body of knowledge past, present and future. He then formed his Inner Circle of great spiritual disciples, who condensed the Fshusho Manthra Nasks and put them in a language which we could utter.

Every Parsi, at the time of his or her Navjote enters into a Divine Relationship with Zarathushtra. The Fravashi of the Prophet Zarathushtra is present at the time of every child's Navjote and blesses the child and enters into a lifelong relationship. As the child prays the 'Jasa me avangahe Mazda' prayer, he or she gives a solemn vow to the Fravashi of the Prophet Zarathushtra.

Similarly in a marriage, two individuals come together in holy matrimony, and following the prescribed procedures are joined together with the divine blessing of Prophet Zarathushtra.

A Special Prayer

On Khordad Sal, it is recommended to pray a special tasbih in honor of Prophet Zarathushtra as below:

Kushti & mandatory regular prayers.

Recite 2 Yatha & 1 Ashem.

Recite the Phrase "Ushta no Zaato Athrava yo Spitamo Zarathushtro" for 101 times.

Recite 1 Yatha 2 Ashem.

May the Asho Farohar of Vakshure Vakshuran Asho Spitaman Zarathushtra shower His blessings on our community on this special day of great spiritual remembrance!

Wishing everyone A very Happy and radiant Khordad Sal!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The BPP N.N & R.N Wadia Baugs are in possession of a **4 Rooms+ Kitchen** flat admeasuring **about 1300 Square Feet Carpet area on the First Floor, being Flat No 3, Building "Building - 13" in Rustom Baug, Byculla** which has reverted to the Trust. The said flat is proposed to be offered on Leave & License basis to prospective offerers who give the highest quantum of Refundable Deposit.(**Kindly contact Neville House 022 22618071 or M: 9833964746 for Base Price**)

Those interested to inspect the flat are requested to contact the Custodian at Rustom Baug (Contact No **022 23750422** or **(M: 9820723002 - 9820389356)** Monday to Saturday 10 am to 1 pm.

1. Those interested are requested to attend the Auction to be held (Zoom Meeting) at the Neville House Office on **Thursday 2nd September 2021 at 6.00 p.m.**, and submit their proposal in a sealed envelope @ Neville House **Tel: 9819004860 or (M) 9833964746**, with a separate **Demand Draft of Rs. 1 Lakh** in the name of "**Funds & Properties of the Parsi Panchayet Bombay**" as Earnest Money Deposit which will be returned if their proposal is not accepted. Please do not put the Demand Draft in the sealed envelope but hand it over separately.
2. Interested buyers must quote value of the flat in excess of (Reserve Security Deposit amount), exclusive of Stamp Duty and Registration Charges, as applicable for registration of Leave & License Agreement.
3. The sealed envelopes will be opened in the presence of all the applicants on the same day (Thursday on 2nd ,September 2021) at 6.00 p.m.
4. The highest offer will be taken as the Second Reserve Security Deposit amount and the applicants will be requested to make an Open offer in excess of this Second Reserve Security Deposit amount.

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7. The flat will be allotted to the highest bidder in this Third & Final round. (If any tie it may occur, one more round will be conducted on same pattern of Third & Final round for Final Highest Figure)
8. 50% of the full Security Deposit amount of the flat must be deposited by the Buyer within 15 days of the auction and the balance 50% within one month of the auction. Failure to make payments on the Due date will lead to cancellation of their offer and the forfeiture of the Earnest Money Deposit. The flat may again be re-auctioned, or offered to the second highest bidder, as decided by the Trustees.
9. The Leave & license Agreement will be registered after the full Security Deposit amount is received by the Trust.
10. The Trustees reserve the right to refuse any or all offers at their discretion without assigning any reason.

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for BPP N. N. & R.N. Wadia Baugs

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SECRETARY

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**ON SUNDAY AUGUST 22, 2021
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**Good thoughts
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Fellowship, World Peace,
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Today is the birthday of the Prophet who preached that ...,
 'Doing good to others is not a duty. It is a Joy, for it increases your own health and happiness.
 Turn yourself not away from three best things:
 " Good Thought, Good Word and Good Deed."
 Let's all as his followers always walk on the path shown by HIM.
 Seek your happiness in the happiness of All.



Khordad Sal Mubarak

To You and Your Family.

Navroz Mubarak

May this Navroz usher in all that is good,
 all good things that happen should

Determine to bring about a positive,
 electrifying change, we should.

Each and every one of us, for our Ahura,
 become a rathestar should.

Follow the tenets n rites wisely made by
 our ancestors, we should.

May Ahura n Yazads all, grant us the
 necessary will power, the verve to be
 good

May we all practise Parsipanu, which
 teaches us to do lots of good.

If we married a humdin early, n had
 children three, it would be damn good.

If the wealthy Zarthostis help out to this
 achieve, it would be very good.

Armin Dutia Motashaw

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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR FRIENDS WHO LOVE PARSEE FRIENDS

On this happy occasion sharing article ,written years ago by my favorite PARSI WRITER ONE N ONLY Busy Bee" (Behram Contractor). Beautifully describes the Parsees and their contribution to our country and society.

A few Words about Parsi's, most lovable & peace-loving people:

The first Parsis I knew were statues. There were scores of them, all over Bombay (now Mumbai), most of them wearing glasses: Dadabhoy Naoroji, Pherozeshah Mehta, Jamshedji Tata, Cowasjee Jehangir, Bomanji Petit, the Khada (standing) Parsi at Byculla Bridge.

Later, I met other Parsis, at the Central Bank, Cusrow Baug, Rustom Baug, Albless Baug, Cama Baug, Godrej Company (find me a Parsi house and I will show you a Godrej steel cupboard in it), Colaba Agiary, Bombay House, piano recitals by Austrian pianists at the NCPA, RIPON CLUB.

Most of the Parsis I know are Bombay Parsis, the older ones born at Dr. Temulji's lying-in hospital for Parsi ladies, the younger ones delivered by Dr. Rusi Soonawala (Aapro Rusi). But there are also Delhi Parsis, Calcutta Parsis, Udwarda Parsis, Toronto Parsis, one or two Mhow Parsis, Karachi Avaris, Minwallas, Sethna, etc. They are spread all over the world.

Whoever says that the Parsis are a dying community does not know what they are talking about. The Delhi Parsis are mainly Bombay Parsis now settled in Delhi, such as Soli Sorabjee and Fali Nariman. The Bombay Parsis themselves may be divided into further categories.

There are Colaba Parsis, Tardeo Parsis and Dadar Parsi Colony Parsis. The Colaba Parsis work in advertising agencies, act in Hosi Vasunia's (now with The Indian Express Newspapers) plays and have relations in Toronto. The Tardeo Parsis would like to be Colaba Parsis. The Dadar Parsi Colony Parsis are Dadar Parsi Colony Parsis.

Their language is Gujarati, with a generous mixture of English or English with a generous mixture of Gujarati. Some people say that they borrowed the language from the Gujaratis, others that the Gujaratis learnt it from them.

I have not resolved that point yet. But the Parsis have certain Gujarati words that are exclusive to their language.

Putting aside the abuse words, I refer you to 'faregaat'. It is what a Parsi does when he returns home after a hard day at the office. He has a wash (Godrej or Tata soap), removes his clothes, and gets into a 'sadra' and 'lengha' and settles down in the easy chair with his legs stretched along its extended arms, sipping phudina tea. That is being 'faregaat', changing into sadra - lengha and relaxing. Say the words slowly and gently extend it: 'fare-gaaat'.

There are several other such words and phrases: kit-pit bandh ker,

dahi na kar, doodh pau. Doodh pau is a somewhat goody-goody person, a bit of a sissy. I invite the members of the community to add to my collection. That takes care of the language, though most of them use English.

They are very fond of things English and particularly the English royalty, though that does not mean I am questioning their loyalty one bit. On that score they are unimpeachable. When I first visited

London, a Parsi friend took me to see Buckingham Palace - from outside naturally, in those days they did not issue tickets to wander around the palace. We stood at the gates, he pointed at the palace, and said, "Aapri rani no mehel."

A lot of things are 'aapri' or 'aapro' or 'aapru'.

For instance: Apro Zubin Mehta, kevo majehnu conduct karech.

Aapro Sam Maneckshaw.

Aapro Nani (Palkhivala), bahuj intelligent and bholo che.

Aapri Bachi Karkaria, soo lakhech, soo lakhech.

Aapro Dorabjee of Dorabjee's of Pune

Aapra Oliaji of Duke's Hotel, Devka

Aapri Princess Street ni Parsi Dairy Farm, bilkul pani nahi doodh ma, bilkul nahi.

Aapro Adu (the late and lamented Adi Marzban).

Aapro Rusy (Karanjia), ehni toe soo pen.

Aapru Taj te Taj, choro Oberoi.

Every Parsi takes a proprietary interest in the Taj, in Baliwalla & Homi, Bombay's opticians since time began, and Air India when JRD Tata was the chairman. Even Rajiv Gandhi was aapro from his father's side.

Aapro Rajiv aaje hote toe he would have ,,,,, (add your thought here).

On Parsi New Year, one of the 3 or 4 New Years they have in a year, in the morning, a couple of Nankhatai Bands will come over from Pydhonie to Cusrow Baug and with a great flurry play Sare Jehan Se Acha and Colonel Boogie's March in front of whichever flat (apartment) pays them. There will be prayers at the two major fire-temples at Dho bi Talao and vermicelli, Sev-kheer, and sweet curd with rose petals, marghi na farcha and dhan dal and kolmi patia at home.

And there will be drinks, the Parsi pegs. A Parsi peg is the largest peg in the world! You may measure it by your palm - it extends over 5 fingers. The Patiala peg is also 5 fingers, but in the Patiala peg the fingers are held together, in the Parsi peg they are spread out.

Chalo, Saheb, salamati lev.

-- Busybee.



Photography

Sunrise



The "Tano Bora" which means the "Magnificent 5" is a coalition of five male cheetahs that have captured the hearts and lenses of many who have gone to Masai Mara, Kenya. Usually once they reach adulthood, male cheetahs will become solitary or at times join another to form a pair. It is very rare to see a group this large bonding together. Here they are sitting on a vantage point on a sultry evening in Masai Mara looking for potential prey.



Ruby B. Aderbad

Ruby B. Aderbad works with an **MNC** 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.

Freedom (India's Independence Day)

What is freedom?
To live and breathe free
As well freedom of thoughts
Words and Deeds

Humanity is exhausted
With War Hatred Violence
How about opening the "blinds
As well as the shades and drapes
And let the sunshine in
Because humans as a whole

Want To live and breathe free!!

No one can't force
Their will on others
Especially on women
Cause they are not
A mound of clay
To be maimed raped
Bruised abused and battered
Molded in anyway
So unchain the

Shackles of tyranny
As humanity wishes
To live and breathe Free!!!

Lastly I would like to say thanks to all the freedom fighters who have sacrificed their lives with blood sweat and tears so humanity can live and breathe free. I do not think for one minute that their sacrifices are in vain? Do you?

Pray for the Soul of Humanity

Life is on the collision course
Whichever which way I see
North South East West
All I see is hatred violence
As well Tyranny

Whether one watches
The news on TV
Or for that matter
The news paper
It's sad and hard to watch
And read
Suffering of humanity!

Women raped tortured murdered
Little innocent Children too
Are not spared
I beg to question
Does anybody care ????

Well, the humbandagi failed once
How about another try
To bring peace prosperity
Or we going to hang humanity
To dry??

We as should humans make
A collective effort
To pray with sincerity for
Return of peace as well
Prosperity for humanity
May be Ahura Mazad
May have change of heart
Bestow upon us one more try!

Choicest Happiness
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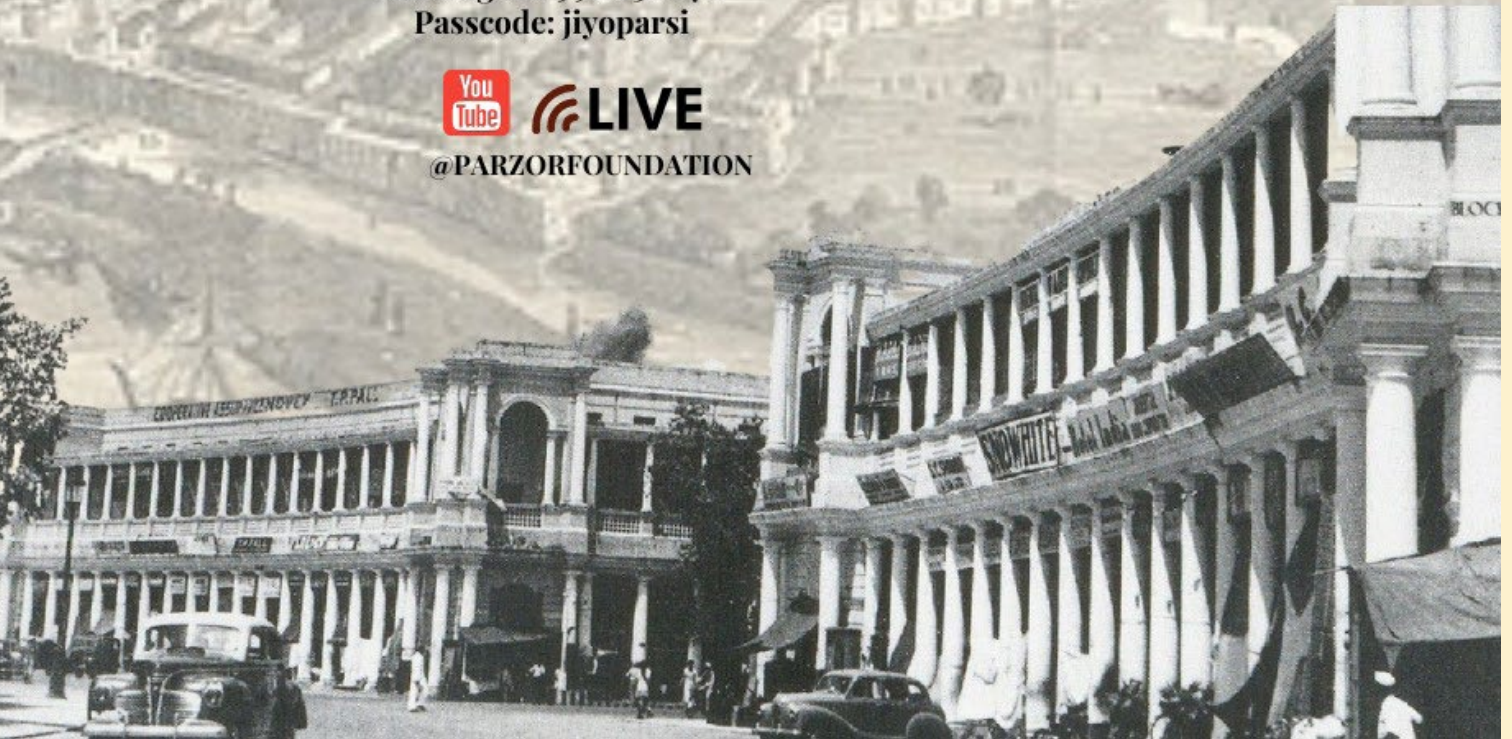
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There is hardly ever a time in my life when I say I am a Parsi that I am not asked "Oh, what part of Bombay do you come from?" When I say I am Delhi born and raised, the eyebrows go up; "Delhi, there are Parsis in Delhi?"

Yes, there are Parsis in Delhi. We are the adventurers, the seekers, the entrepreneurs, the travelers and, above all,

quintessentially North Indian. This is an attempt to take you on a short journey through time, to give you a flavour of Parsis in Delhi from around 1857 to the present day. We are slightly different, we are certainly special, and we are Parsi.

Join us on Zoom on *27 August*, 6 pm onwards.

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