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IS DOONGERWADI IN DANGER?

KERSI RANDERIA, FRIGHTENS COMMUNITY THAT *THREAT TO DOONGERWADI CONTINUES*



Kersi Randeria, the genuine biggest THREAT to Doongerwadi, has suddenly found it politically expedient to shed Crocodile tears about threat to Doongerwadi, because BMC wants to repair/replace the British era water pipes under Doongerwadi lands and Randeria is not agreeable to grant permission.

The community will recall that just about two years back, Kersi Randeria wanted to collect Dry Waste and Wet Waste not only from Godrej Baug but from all Malabar Hills Housing societies and other Societies of D-Ward and take it to a Waste Management unit that he intended to build on Doongerwadi land.

Randeria was heard bragging in public that the BMC D-Ward office was supporting his plan. Luckily for us, the community religious leaders as well as the Orthodox Trustees of the Board realized his game plan and Mrs Armaity Tirandaz and her colleagues opposed his dreadful venture at our holy site of Doongerwadi which had to be reluctantly abandoned by him.

The community will also recall that when the spat between the Orthodox and the Reformists was at its height regarding construction of a Crematorium/ Cremate-ni-Bungli at Doongerwadi, it was Kersi Randeria who used to visit Dhun Baria residing at Gilder lane, in property belonging to Garib Zarhostiana Rehthan Fund, to

pay her to obtain morphed photos of the interior of the Dokhmas which he would then distribute in all colonies to create community revulsion towards Dokhmenashini.

But luckily Rustom Tirandaz, Dinshaw Mehta, Dadi Engineer and others fought the Reformists and their game plan and did not allow any Crematorium or even Cremate-ni-Bungli on our holy Doongerwadi lands.

Death with Dignity Action Committee led by Kersi Randeria were thwarted in their nefarious plans by the Save Doongerwadi Action Committee.

Thanks to the far sightedness of Dinshaw Tamboly and the funds provided by late Muncherji Cama through his various Trusts, the Parsi Crematorium with a Prayer Hall at BMC's Worli Grounds came into existence and has been serving the needs of the Reformists like Kersi Randeria since then. In fact during the Covid Pandemic since March 2020, with BMC insisting on cremation of Covid victims, it has served as a Prayer Hall for such unfortunate souls.

Coming to the issue at hand. We have been informed by the D-Ward staff, where the Mehta family – father Rusi Mehta, then son Noshir Mehta and finally daughter Anahita Mehta have been elected Corporators for the last 47 years, that the BMC has contacted the BPP and is seeking permission of the Trustees to repair/replace water pipes, some of which are over 100 year old, which

currently run through Doongerwadi lands since over a hundred years.

Kersi Randeria is now changing colour like a chameleon. Despite having given permission to the BMC to lay temporary pipes last year, Kersi Randeria is now forcing the Board to oppose this repairs/replacement for his political reasons.

As the community is aware, last year's landside from B. G. Kher Marg and Doongerwadi down into Hughes Road caused a complete breakdown of roads as well as the water pipes below it supplying the whole of D Ward from the Malabar Hill Reservoir. Due to the Emergency, BMC was given permission by ALL Trustees unanimously, i.e. Chairman Armaity Tirandaz, Trustee Xerxes Dastur, Trustee Noshir Dadrawala, Trustee Viraf Mehta and Trustee Kersi Randeria, to TEMPORARILY lay 2 feet to 3 feet diameter new water pipelines above ground level through Doongerwadi lands from the Lower Bungli till near the main entrance to Doongerwadi.

Now the BMC has completed the construction of a new Retaining Wall abutting Hughes Road and wants to remove these recently laid temporary pipe lines from Doongerwadi lands as per its original assurance given to the Trustees.

However before they do that, BMC needs to repair/replace the British era water pipes that are running under ground on Doongerwadi lands. One pipe that runs below the Doongerwadi was laid forty years ago while another about a hundred years ago. Currently these pipes run through the Doongerwadi property for almost 200-300m before exiting near the side gate by the lower bunglis. The BMC has committed to remove these pipes within only 50 meters once repairs are completed.

Unfortunately Kersi Randeria is not allowing this to happen and instead wants these old unrepaired pipes to continue to supply water as they are through the Doongerwadi. We are informed that when a proposal to remove the pipes completely from the Doongerwadi



was proposed by Trustee Viraf Mehta, it was Kersi Randeria who told the Board not to go down this road.

Malicious whatsapp messages have been floating around since the last few days and Mr. Randeria has also leaked minutes of BPP meetings to try and show his stand. Unfortunately these messages are misleading community members and spreading lies and deceit.

The community is not being told that the BMC already has existing pipe lines running through our Doongerwadi. They DO NOT want to place new lines. They are only asking for permission to repair/replace them as they are between 40 and 100 years old.

Unfortunately, Trustee Noshir Dadrawala once again blindly supports Mr. Randeria and the Trustees have decided to keep on hold their permission and instead issued letter

calling the BMC Assistant Commissioner of the D Ward to the BPP office for discussion.

The community will just have to wait and watch what happens when the Assistant Commissioner meets the Board of Trustees to explain the necessity of repairs to the several decades old pipe lines before its bursting affects the buildings in Khareghat Colony as well as Spenta both of which could collapse in case of bursting of the corroded old water pipelines.

The political games being played by Kersi Randeria is not only a sham but also farcical to confuse the Electorate since his re-election is just about a year away. However his political compulsions cannot outweigh the dangers of the hundred year old corroded water pipeline bursting thereby affecting all the buildings of Khareghat Colony as well as Spenta which is in the direct line of these British era water pipes.

It is time that an expert committee is appointed jointly by both the BPP and BMC to scrutinise the condition of the British era pipes supplying water to D-Ward and the need for urgent repair/replacement and give its Report before a calamity like last year occurs but this time affecting the life and limb of all Parsi occupants of this colony.

HOPING THAT BETTER SENSE PREVAILS AND TRUSTEES ACT TO SERVE THE BENEFICIARIES AND NOT THEIR PERSONAL EGOS OR ONE UPMANSHIP INTERSE THE TRUSTEES WHO ARE A BITTERLY DIVIDED LOT TODAY.

THE COMMUNITY HAS TO LEARN TO ELECT TRUSTEES OF SIMILAR IDEOLOGIES AND PRINCIPLES TO AVOID THIS KIND OF BITTER DIVISION IN FUTURE ELECTIONS.

What if Tomorrow never came???

What if time did stop
So did our world
We would be
In big dilemma
Setting our hearts
A-whirl

We would not know
What day it is
Nor what time ?
For that matter
what seasons?t
How can we proceed
Our lives would be
Turned inside out
Especially without our
Electronic devices

Remember the past, plan for the future, but live for today, because yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come- Luke the evangelist

Our religion Zoroastrianism
Is in the same dilemma

Here today, gone tomorrow
Unless people wake up
from their hibernation
Realizing it's not time for
"Eat Drink and Be Merry"
But figure out what the
Future for Zoroastrianism hold?
Why?
Cause the Blue Blood's hearts
Made of stone

They do not care
Whether Zoroastrianism
Is alive or dead
Or
Faded away
Screaming
Crying as well
Kicking

As long as they
Get their share
Of "adoration"
From their
Loving followers
Not realizing

They are the
Pied Piper a leading
Them into the
Valley of Death

All this mockery
As well hypocrisy
Is not going to last long
Cause Ahura Mazda's
Patience is wearing thin
For turning one's back
On the very religion
He endowed us with
Just waiting with
Bated breath what
He has in store
For these Ignorants who
Did not heed
His Pristine Message before

Lastly make peace with the
Creator
Atone your "Sins"
Once He lashes out
Trying to get rid of the anger
That has laid silently
In his heart silent within

Choicest Happiness
Farida



CYRUS DASTUR'S EFFORTS FOR A DOCTOR'S CLINIC IN KHAREGHAT COLONY BEARS FRUIT

Since last few months, a concerted effort has been made by the Jt. Hon Sec. of Khareght Colony Youth Association Trust Funds, Mr. Cyrus Dastur with the Trustees of BPP for a vacant Flat/Space to provide a Doctor's Clinic in Khareghat Colony. Earlier there used to be such a clinic on the first floor where Doctors would treat residents of Khareghat Colony at concessional rate but on his demise the flat was taken over by the Trustees and allotted to a needy applicant.

Several meetings were held by Cyrus individually with each Trustee as well as collectively in the Boardroom to convince the Board of Trustees for a need of such a facility for the residents of Khareghat Colony as well as Parsis in surrounding areas.

Ultimately a dilapidated structure recently vacated by a resident between Building Nos. 10 and 11 at the rear was identified and the Trustees initially wanted the other Welfare Association of Khareghat Colony to surrender their premises abutting Shahnazeen where they have set up a library for kids of the colony, who were not inclined to do so.

However with Cyrus Dastur's persuasive request, the Trustees have finally acceded to his request to allot KCYA the identified structure but with a caveat to repair it by KCYA with funds to be collected by Cyrus from Donors but the structure would remain the property of the Panchayet.

This was acceptable to both sides and on confirmation from the Trustees, KCYA has issued the appeal letter published in the box calling for donations to repair the dilapidated structure.

Since this is a noble cause for the residents of Khareghat Colony and surrounding areas, it is hoped that all Parsis would come forward to show the community that the giving spirit still exists in the hearts of average Parsis provided it is for a worthy cause. Recently we have been reading about munificent Donations

received for repairs and restoration of Agiaris and Atashbehras as well as for various structures in Doongerwadi including Bunglis and Dokhmas.

Since this is an equally noble cause we are sure the community will be magnanimous in their donations and hopefully a Doctor's clinic in Khareghat Colony will be a reality very soon.



KHAREGHAT COLONY YOUTH ASSOCIATION TRUST FUNDS

13, Khareghat Colony, Hughes Road, [N.S. Patkar Marg]. Mumbai – 400 007.

2nd October, 2021

Mr. Dinshaw Mehta
Rusi Mehta Bldg., 3rd Floor,
49/A, Warden Road (B.Desai Road),
Mumbai – 400 020.

Sub: Doctor's Clinic in the Khareghat Colony

Dear Mr. Mehta,

As per the requests received from our colony residents, we have taken up the issue of providing a Doctor's Clinic in our Khareghat Colony, attended by a General Practitioner.

Our BPP Trustees have been kind enough to provide a space for the Clinic between building no. 10 & 11 for a Doctor to sit & prescribe medicines and provide aid to those requiring it.

However, the structure is totally dilapidated and requires massive repairs for the use as a Doctor's Clinic amounting to about Rs. 9 to 10 Lakhs.

Hence, we request you to donate generously to meet the target giving full support to our project and facilitate medical facility to our residents in times of needs, almost on a daily basis.

Cheques may please be drawn in the names of "Khareghat Colony Youth Association Trust Funds" and handed over to any one of the following committee members:-

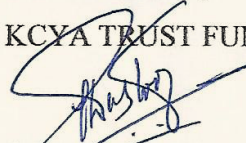
1. Mrs. Jeroo Jal Rabadi - (Bldg. No. 21, Gr. Floor, Tel. No. 23695983).
2. Mr. Cyrus P. Patel -(A-30 New Colony, Mob: 9820554973, Res. No. 23628008)

Thanking you in anticipation,

I remain,

Yours in His Service,

For KCYA TRUST FUNDS


[PRESIDENT]



PROCRASTINATION IS THE MOTHER OF ALL SINS.

BY DR. ZULEIKA HOMAVAZIR



Dr. Zuleika Homavazir

PROCRASTINATION has become the vilest routine of some of our Trustees at the Bombay Parsi Panchayet. **It is the avoidance of fulfilling a task that needs to be accomplished within a given time frame.** What should have been completed within the first year or two has not been done even after 5 years of the rule of the Majority Trustees led by Kersi Randeria and Noshir Dadrawala and unfortunately has to be reminded during Election time.

During Campaigning for Votes, existing Trustees Kersi Randeria & the Righteous Noshir Dadrawala very deviously promised REDUCTION OF TERM OF TRUSTEESHIP to 5 years and other amendments, though once voted to Power they conveniently fail to recall this promise in particular.

PROCRASTINATION is this wasted time but for a Purpose. Both these Trustees do want to retain the existing term of 7 years for their next term of Trusteeship as also for their pet candidates for the October 2022 Elections IN CASE THEY DO SUCCEED TO DUPE OUR COMMUNITY.

Though Noshir Dadrawala is very categorical that he will step down in October 2022, we have our doubts as Kersi Randeria will force him to contest the October 2022 elections so that he can piggy back on his broad shoulders as alone Randeria has no chance of being re-elected.

BEWARE TRUSTEES – Our Community cannot take your words for granted anymore, the work done or must we say, the lack of it

done by you sitting in the Majority for the first 5 years speak volumes for itself.

Now that I have picked up the Gauntlet of reduction of term to 5 years as published in Parsi Junction of 22nd August 2021, you both directly deviously Petition the Hon'ble Division Bench of the High Court to fix the Schedule for Immediate Elections instead of filing a single page Amendment Application to the Judge in Chamber of the Hon'ble High Court for reduction of term for Trusteeship to 5 years instead of the existing 7 years as is noted in the Scheme of Elections.

DECEIT has always played a bitter role in plummeting this August Body of Our Community to the existing Financial Ruins it grovels in. LACK OF JUDICIAL ACCUMEN of these Trustees filing a hasty Precipe before the Hon'ble Divisional Bench of Justice Sharoukh J. Kathawalla and Justice Milind Jadhav who rightfully directed the Prothonotary to inform these 2 Trustees through their Advocate, to approach the Chamber Judge which was the primary requirement of these 2 Trustees. I seriously wonder whether these 2 Trustees have come across the term "JURISDICTION"

MY DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, ABUNDANT TIME, PLENTIOUS FUNDS & EFFORTS HAVE BEEN WASTED BY THESE TRUSTEES. Would you ever want a repeat of such Catastrophic Incompetence, Lack of Legal Veracities and Procrastination that will undoubtedly doom the Bombay Parsi Panchayet? Certainly not! I have always struggled for what is right without thinking of personal consequences and will surely keep at it, to rectify what has been wronged by these Trustees. A convenient solution was forwarded to the Trustees which could have been followed and Elections could have taken place as soon as the Amendment of reduction of term of a Trustee was passed but nay, Noshir Dadrawala & Kersi Randeria had to dramatize their bitter opposition, now further stalling the Elections beyond 2021.

COLLECTIVE DECISIONS are forced on the Back Burner as belligerent Trustees miss the mark or see eye to eye. Despite the Financial Crunch, crucial funds are wasted on redundant litigations between

Trustees trying fruitlessly to satisfy their own BLOATED EGOS.

THINK HARD, MY DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, YOU ARE THE BENEFICIARIES WHOSE FUNDS ARE BEING SQUANDERED BY SUCH UNSCRUPULOUS TRUSTEES WHO DO NOT EVER CRINGE TO REPORT SUCH LOSSES TO YOU.

STREAMLINING and implementation of Rules have been overlooked time and again and have to be pointed out as I have done so severally in the past. Trustees have to be forced to enforce regulations due to lack of Management Skills by none other than Beneficiaries, who vote these Trustees to protect the Community, but judging by the current state of affairs the Trustees themselves need Protection from their Co-Trustees. What a Paradox?

MAKE YOUR CHOICE, Noshir Dadrawalla and Kersi Randeria, in your alacrity to hold Elections for the 2 Seats as soon as possible, you have forgotten the basic role of Intervenors who have their legal rights and obligations to our Community. It is not only the reduction of term to five years which entails maximum 15 years service of a Trustee to the community against 21 years prevalent at present but also the restructuring of the List of Beneficiaries in the Donor as also the General Register. Year after year, names of Departed Souls are purposely retained in these Registers for reasons best known to you. So are cases of individual beneficiaries holding not only duplicate but triplicate Registration Certificates with different Registration Numbers. WHY?

TRANSPERANCY, a dream for my Community, can only be accomplished if all Trustees work in Unison and declare the working and outcome of all the Board Meetings apprising the Community of all Decisions instead of holding Private Meetings at Clubs or Coffee Shops to sort out unscrupulous deals. I have time and again informed my Community of such shady deals. Is it not the duty of the Trustees to unravel all such deals when they have 2 Community Papers owned by Kersi Randeria combined with another "Pol Khol (Jutthu)



Bol" to support him and Noshir Dadrawalla without Substance or Evidence.

MY DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, ONLY A STRONG BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKING FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS BENEFICIARIES WILL BE ABLE TO SALVAGE THE BOMBAY PARSI PANCHAYET FROM ITS PRESENT WOES. YOU ARE THE VOTERS AND ONLY YOU CAN BRING STABILITY TO THIS DISASTROUS BOARD. JUST REMEMBER "HOUNDS ARE WAITING TO POUNCE ON OUR COMMUNITY'S WEALTH AND PROPERTIES."

PROMOTING CANDIDATES who in turn promote their own organization like Wapiz and invite Beneficiaries to such organization to resolve their issues is nothing but a joke as eventually the Board is the Deciding Factor. SO MY DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, PLEASE DO NOT GET CARRIED AWAY BY SUCH PEOPLE WHO CANNOT BE PATRIOTIC TO THE BOARD THEY SO WISH TO SERVE.

ADULT FRANCHISE since 2008 has brought in only Misery to the Board as anyone who has Rs.5000/- to spare put up their Nominations, so I fully agree with Noshir Dadrawalla on his suggestion to raise the Deposit to Rs. 50,000/-. To go a step further, I would suggest the person filing Nomination to deposit Rs. 5 Lacks

non-refundable to deter Candidates who are literally pushed into Elections to break Votes as also it would be a subtle financial resource for the Bombay Parsi Panchayet. Candidates too will not protest this suggestion as they spend much more than Rs. 5 Lacks sending the CODE OF ELECTIONS for a toss as it still remains VOLUNTARY, even after 13 long years. NO TRUSTEE HAS THE TIMELY INCLINATION TO FINALIZE THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND THE REPRISALS TO THE CONTRARY AND FILE THE SAME AT THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT.

DONORS REFRAIN FROM DONATING TO THE BOMBAY PARSI PANCHAYET DUE TO THE INFIGHTING. **The community has to elect Trustees of similar ideologies and not opposing ones.** Year after year, the Bombay Parsi Panchayet has to fend for itself by auctioning HIGH VALUE flats to the rich, but this avenue is drying up too. Besides it is now known to all in the Community that due to financial paucity, the BPP is spending out of such Deposits.

VYING FOR TRUSTEESHIP HAS BECOME A STATUS SYMBOL. WHERE ARE THESE TRUSTEES DURING TIMES OF DISTRESS FOR THE COMMUNITY? I CHALLENGE NOSHIR DADRAWALLA AND KERSI RANDEKIA TO REMIND THE COMMUNITY OF WHAT POSITIVE STEPS THEY HAVE TAKEN FOR THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY EXCEPT

RUNNING DOWN THEIR COLLEAGUES THROUGH DOWNRIGHT LIES AND TWISTING FACTS TO BOLSTER THEIR OWN EGO. THE DOONGARWADI DEBACLE IS ALSO SWEEPED UNDER THE CARPET.

My Nomination during the March 14, 2021 Elections was rejected by the Trustees led by Noshir Dadrawalla who filed an affidavit in the Bombay High Court without proper legal verification of their very own norms under the Scheme of Elections and had to bite dust. Why were you so paranoid of my Candidature, Mr. Dadrawalla? You will have to come up with something more drastic to keep me away from the next Elections. I have all my tracks covered with complete factual evidences.

Success is not measured by what is accomplished, but by the opposition encountered and the grit with which the struggle is maintained against overwhelming odds. My Community stands by me and shall decide my fate, I have full confidence in my Community.

GOOD LUCK.

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir.

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United We stand, Divided we Fall....

After the rain we have blue skies
With white fluffy wooly
clouds floating by
With a beautiful rainbow
Pinned like a broach
in the sky

It's 7 beautiful colours
Violet Indigo Blue
Green Yellow Orange Red.
It seems to say:
"In Spite of being
Different in colours
If can stand united so can you"

Different religions caste colour
Creed
Whether yellow black

Brown or White
Trying to outdo each other
By imposing one's opinion
Subjugating them to
One's way of thinking
Is catastrophe for
All of humanity

We are blinded by
Hatred War Violence
It's just revenge
All the way
Clouding our
Judgement as
Well reasoning
That's why we can't
Think straight

Is all this Hatred
Wal Violence
Revenge
Making humanity
A killing field
Is it all worth it?
I don't think so
Uniting as one
Can bring peace
Happiness as well
Prosperity
Like The seven colours
Of the Rainbow

Choicest Happiness
Farida



URAN AGIARY IN DOLDRUMS

On being informed of the possible proposed sale of Uran Agiary by the wife of Kersi Sui, the care taker since decades of the Uran Agiary, Navzar Maneckshaw, ex-ACP, was kind enough to immediately write to various statutory authorities on behalf of the community to stop the illegal sale.

From navzar maneckshaw on 28/09/2021 5:41 pm
Tuesday, 28 September 2021

Subject: Threatened encroachment and anticipated illegal sale of Parsi Religious Fire Temple (Trust Property) at Village Mora, Taluka Uran, District Raigad.

Sir,

We the undersigned are Parsi Zoroastrians which gives us the right and privilege to enter any Parsi Fire Temple in the world for prayers and to profess our religion. Persons of other faiths and communities, being non Parsi Zoroastrians are not allowed to enter any Parsi Fire Temple anywhere in the world.

There is a Parsi Zoroastrian Fire Temple situated at Bori Pakhadi village Mora in Taluka Uran, District Raigad with an attached Parsi Zoroastrian Sanatorium. One Late Shri Kersi Sui, a Parsi Zoroastrian was the caretaker of this premises since several decades. He passed away approximately one month ago.

We have come to reliably learn that Mrs. Sui, (being a resident of Mumbai) who is the widow of the late Mr. Kersi Sui, is negotiating to sell this premises in an illegal and fraudulent manner, to a Mohammedan gentleman, name not known for a sum of Rs.2,00,00,000/- (Rupees two crores only).

By virtue of being Parsi Zoroastrians it is our duty to prevent sacrilege and desecration of our place of worship which is strictly meant for Zoroastrian Parsees ONLY.

Shri Maneckshaw, a Retired Assistant Commissioner of Police, and a signatory hereinbelow, owns and conducts a private security company named and styled as "Eagle I Guards" with his office situated at 1120, 11th floor, Prasad Chambers, Opera House, Mumbai 400002. Since he has the infrastructure and wherewithal to safeguard these premises

by appointment of security guards, he has kindly consented to do so by way of abundant caution. We, the concerned Parsi Zoroastrians, intend to bring a stay through a competent Court to prevent the entry of non Parsi Zoroastrians, in the premises as also to disallow sale/disposal of the premises in any illegal manner.

In the mean time you are requested to also give us Police Protection and assistance to prevent entry/encroachment of unauthorised persons as also illegal sale of the premises.

All relevant and pertinent documents in support of what is stated above will be submitted in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Navzar J. Maneckshaw
Asst. Commr. of Police (Retd.)

Editors comments: When news of the threatened sale of Uran Agiary land was circulating on various WhatsApp groups, Dinshaw Mehta along with a recently returned activist, approached Dosu Bhiwandiwalla, the Trustee of Uran Agiary and the Sanatorium attached thereto as well as Owner of vast tracks of land in Uran with prior appointment.

Dosu was very categorical that as Trustee he intends to employ security to safe guard the property and thereafter take up the project of reconstruction of the Sanatorium so that scouts, girl guides, Parsi youngsters and others can take advantage of the Sanatorium and the surroundings of Uran.

Dosu was very clear that since he has been entrusted to maintain the Agiary as its Trustee, he requested them to get a caretaker to look after the Agiary after the demise of Kersi Sui. He also assured that plans of his proposal to redevelop the Sanatorium would be sent shortly and there was no need to worry on that issue.

A parsi youngster has already been identified who is agreeable to reside in Uran and care for and maintain the Agiary and the property. Dosu was most co-operative and supportive of the cause of protecting the Agiary and hence at present the rumours seem unjustified and untrue.

મુરઝાયલો છોડ

અરેરે, તું પણ મારી માફક મુરઝાઈ ગયો, અધ મુવો થઈ ગયો છે !

પાણી સિચ્યું, માટી ખણી, ખાતર પણ આપ્યું તને, તો પણ ક-વેળાએ મુરઝાઈ ગયો

તારાં પીળા, ખરતાં સૂકા પાન, જેવું જ છે, હવે ઝૂમાયલું મારુ પણ મન

તારી ઝૂકેલી ડાળીઓ જેમ જ છે ઝૂકેલું, મારું મન, દિલ, અને તન

નીરસ જીવન, હજી કેટલું જીવવું પડશે એની સતત ચિંતા સતાવે છે

બેસહાય રીતે, બીજાને આધીન જીવવું પડશે, સ્વીકારી લેવું મુશ્કેલ છે

સ્વાધીનતા આપોઆપ ખોવાઈ ગઈ; અચાનક જાણે ક્યાંક વહી ગઈ

આવી તે કેવી વિવશતા, આં તે કેવું અંધકારમય દિશાહીન ભાવિ

મારા મૃદુ, સંવેદનશીલ સ્વભાવ પાર મારુ ભવિષ્ય થઈ રહ્યું છે હાવી.

ઉખાડી તને પણ કદાચ પાછો રોપીયો હશે કોઈકે, એટલેજ બગાડ્યું તારું ભાવિ.

આપણા બંનેની દશા એક સરખી જ છે, પારકી જમીન આપણા નસીબે આવી.

Armin Dutia Motashaw



Happiness is Ageless



Residents of WZO Trusts Funds Senior Citizens Centres at Navsari are very much illustrative of the adage Happiness is Ageless.

Our residents are happy, not because everything is good, but because they adapt to all situations and see the good side of everything.

The week that was witnessed very heavy showers most part of the day, making it difficult for our Senior Citizens to venture out for their morning walks and evening strolls. Not deterred by the wet weather, forcing them to remain indoors, our jolly band of residents got together with the Administration Team to enjoy rounds of playing Housie together, finishing off the evening fun with freshly made Gulam Jamuns.

On another such wet day, the oldie goldies decided to substitute their regular lunch and decided to gorge on fresh Masala Dosa's. The Administrative Team quickly arranged for the feast which left our residents, happy, satiated and satisfied.

Our residents know that we can only be happy as much as we make up our minds to be. Happiness is finally not how much we have but how much we enjoy our days, how much life we put into our days and not how many days we put into our lives.

Trustees & Administration Team,
WZO Trust Funds Senior Citizens Centre,
Navsari.



From: Meher Amalsad, Westminster, California, USA

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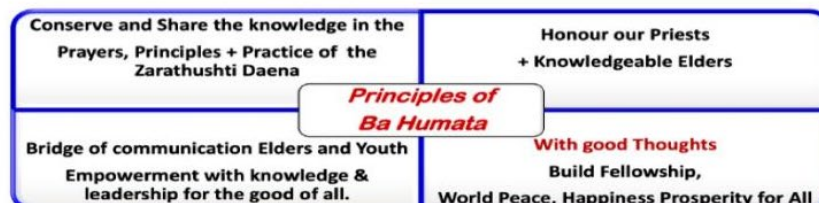
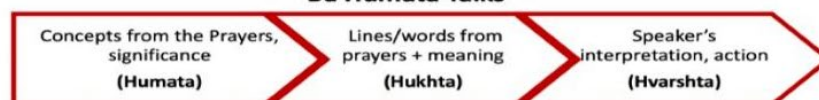


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MAN OF THE MOMENT-CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA-N V RAMANA

Today being the birth anniversary of both Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri, our Correspondent Phiroze Amroliwalla has decided to congratulate our Chief Justice for the cause of lady Judges in the Judiciary. Read on.



Phiroze Amroliwalla

The Editor,
Parsi Junction.ik

Dear Sir,

I am encouraged to write this piece **on the birth Anniversary of two of our country's great men: the father of our nation, himself a lawyer and an activist Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi; as well as former Prime Minister Shri Lal Bahadur**

Shastri for whom integrity and accountability in public life were of paramount importance!

For the very survival of democracy, it is essential that certain institutions should function without fear or favor. One expects freedom of speech, right to privacy, etc. but should any of these rights be infringed upon or denied, the only hope left for the 'Aam Aadmi' is to turn to our law courts! And by and large our law courts especially the higher judiciary have time and again come to the citizen's rescue.

It is here that there is again a breeze of fresh air blowing in the corridors of our Supreme Court after a lull of a few years. Even during this lull, some of our judges both in the SC and the High Courts have upheld our precious rights much to the discomfiture of the powers that be. Ever since Justice Ramana was appointed the Chief Justice of our apex court, he has made the right noises and so to say "hit the nail on the head". **In the world of science, we have had the "Raman Effect"! In the world of our Justice system, we are now experiencing the 'Ramana Effect'**

When the SC pronounces judgments, they are bound to have not only the power of the law but also a cascading effect and thus provide guidelines and inspiration for brother judges and down the line too!

One of his first tasks was to fill up the huge vacancies in the Supreme Court as well as most High Courts. In doing so he has

also for the first time in the history of the SC appointed at one go three lady judges thus raising the strength of female judges to four. He did not stop there. Chief Justice of India NV Ramana exhorted female lawyers of the Supreme Court to seek 50% 'representation' for women in the judiciary while speaking at a function organized by the lady lawyers of the top court to felicitate its nine newly appointed judges, including three women.

He further added: "Enough of the suppression of thousands of years. It is high time we have 50% reservations for women in the judiciary," the CJI said. "It is your right. It is not a matter of charity."

The CJI is completely justified in his demand. These days women are the ones who suffer the most not only from strangers but their own families and relatives. Two of his recent judgments bear this out: One at the hands of the husband and the other involving a rapist.

His judgments and pronouncements both in and out of the Courtrooms are praiseworthy. He minces no words in calling a spade a spade. He has done some very plain speaking recently on atrocities by the government Babus and police too!

Though I have had no formal training in the field of Law it is solely my interest in the subject coupled with experience over the years and advice from very senior lawyer friends that **I humbly suggest that CJI Ramana initiate steps to clear the huge backlog of cases. If not already done, as the first step one or two courtrooms should be assigned exclusively in the SC as well as every High Court and lower courts too to hear and dispose of cases starting with the oldest case and progressively move datewise.** This step will raise fresh hope for justice for those who are waiting for decades.

This is especially so for those awaiting trial or hearing of their appeals in criminal matters.

One is pained to hear of acquittals after languishing in jails for years on end!

Fair and speedy justice will be a fitting tribute to the two great men!

Phiroze Amroliwalla



What is the importance of Kavyani Zando hoisted today?



The Modi Shahenshahi Atash Behram in Surat celebrates its 197th Salgreh today.

Legend says that the tyrant King Zohak of Peshdadin dynasty killed the sons of Kaveh who was a blacksmith. To avenge the death of his sons he collected a group of soldiers to fight Zohak. Uniting under the flag he made of leather, all of them took the help of Faredoon and defeated Zohak.

Faredoon decorated this 'Kavyani' flag (as it was made by Kaveh) with silk cloth, gold and silver thread and precious gems. Later, the flag became a respected symbol of the kings who followed.

A replica of this flag was made in Surat by Dhanjisha Maneckhi Tadiwala in 1927. It is 11 ft. long and 5 ft. broad. It has the symbol of sun and moon in two corners, an Afarganiyu with Atash and a Farohar.

"Want of A Nail the Kingdom was lost" (Walter de la Mare)

Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth -- Muhammed Ali

If some of the "elders"
Of our community
Who have utter disrespect
Whatsoever for the
Teachings of Asho Zarathushtra
And treat humanity as though are crap
They should be silenced
Tightly tightly wrapped in a burlap sack

You guys have
Utter disregard
For teachings
Our religion
Which states
Treating
Of humanity with
Understanding
Respect as well
Dignity

You all may be
Well versed in

The Gathas
As well the religious
Ceremonies
But to me
You are nothing
But a hoax
Committing
Sacrilege and perjury
Bigotry

Others may bow to you
I for one definitely
Don't respect you
Nor worship the
Ground you walk on
But one thing for sure
I will not be silenced
But to speak up
That's our duty
As Zoroastrians

PS Do not be intimidated. Speak UP!!!

Choicest Happiness
Farida

ખોવાઈ ગયો

એ દિવસે અમાવસ ન હતી પણ અચાનક ચાંદ
અદ્રશ્ય થઈ ગયો,
અરેરે, એ એકદમ ઘનઘોર વાદળોમાં ન જાણે ક્યાં
ખોવાઈ ગયો.
આમ તો અમાવસ એક દિવસ સુધી રહે, પણ મારો
ચાંદ તો ખોવાઈ જ ગયો
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એટલું બી બતાવી ન ગયો
એ તો જતાં જતાં, મારું સ્વસ્થ, શાંત જીવન સાઉ
અસ્તવ્યસ્ત કરતો ગયો
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માં ખોવાઈ ગયો

Armin Dutia Motashaw



Rumy Zarir - President BJP Parsi Cell - Malabar Hill Vidhansabha



It's known to all that Rumy Zarir has been selflessly serving our Parsi community since over a decade. His constant dedication towards community service has been greatly appreciated by one and all.

Owing to his chivalry and devotion Rumy Zarir has now been appointed as the President of the BJP Parsi Cell - Malabar Hill VidhanSabha.

It's a boon for our community to have Rumy on board as the President as he is very approachable and humble by nature and prioritizes community service above all. Rumy is known for his humanitarian approach and he puts forth his best course of action immediately. He has the confidence and willingness to take charge of the situation.

He has a very assertive, realistic and respectful nature while taking up or completing any task.

Rumy has been working with the BJP since last few years and he has always ensured amongst others that we as a community are protected against all odds. BJP has seen him perform to the best of his ability at any given time. Any task or project delegated to Rumy is performed aggressively with the aim to round off the piece of work with favourable outcome at the earliest. Hence, BJP has suggested the right candidate, Rumy as the President who has time and again proven his ability and won over hearts.

We are extremely fortunate that this post has been given to a strong and experienced candidate who truly justifies the role of a President.

Heartiest congratulations to our very own Rumy Zarir & we wish him the best during his tenure as President.



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सस्नेह नमस्कार,

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" पदी आपली नियुक्ती करण्यात येत आहे.

आगामी काळात आपल्याला दिलेली जबाबदारी आपण यशस्वीपणे पार पाडाल व
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आगामी कार्यासाठी आपल्याला हार्दिक शुभेच्छा !

आपला,

(श्री. विनय जयंत अंतरकर)
अध्यक्ष - मलबारहिल भाजप



A PARSİ ODYSSEY

1. The first printing press was started in India in the year 1778 by Mr. Rustomji Cursetji. In 1780, he printed the first book in English under the title "Bombay Calendar."
2. The first printing press to have got international acclaim was the Union Press started by Mr. Nanabhai Rustomji Ranina. Mr. Nanabhai Rustomji Ranina was also the first to print an English to Gujarati and Gujarati to English Dictionary.
3. The oldest existing newspaper in India, The Bombay Samachar was started by a Parsi on July 1st., 1822. It changed hands a number of times but has throughout been Parsi owned, and is currently been managed by the Camas.
4. Madam Bhikaji Cama (1861 - 1936) was the first Indian to have conceived the idea of a National Flag for India, which she designed and unfurled at the Socialist Congress in Germany in 1907.
5. Dr. Manek Bejanji Pithawalla was the first Indian to obtain a Doctorate in Geography in India.
6. Behramji Sorabji Lalkaka (1880 - 1957) was the first to start a heavy chemical industry in India. He started the Pioneer Magnesia Works Ltd. In 1915 for the manufacture of Magnesium Chloride, the import of which from Germany was stopped due to World War I. Magnesium Chloride is used for sizing in the Textile Industry.
7. Miss. Amy B. H. J. Rustomji, M.A. (Cantab) was the first and only Asiatic lady to hold the office of Vice President of the International Federation for University for Women for the term 1956 - 1959.
8. The first two Indian Members elected to the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society were both Parsees - Mr. Manekji in 1840 and Mr. Cursetji Dadabhoy Wadia in 1844.
9. Mr. Ardeshir Edulji Cama A.C.A. (1879 - 1948) was the first Indian Member of the Institute of Chartered Accounts in England and Wales in 1908 - the first Indian Chartered Accountant.
10. Mr. Jamshedji Sorabji Sethna was the first and only Indian Vice Consul for France in 1905.
11. Dr. Shiavux Sorabji Banker was the first Indian to be the head of the Medical Department on a company managed Railway, the B.B.& C.I Railway in 1938.
12. Dr. Muncherji Jamasjee Mistry L.M.& S. was the first Indian to become a Civil Surgeon in 1887 at Godra in the present Gujarat State.
13. Mr. Khujesteh Kaikobad Batliwalla was the first Indian to be appointed Chief Inspector of Boilers and Factories in U.P. in 1939.
14. Col. Dhunjishah Naoroji Parakh was the first Indian to be appointed Professor of Midwifery in the Grant Medical College, Bombay in 1888. He was also the second Indian to pass the I.M.S. Examination, the first being his uncle, Surgeon Major Rustomji Behramji who took his commission in 1875 direct from the hands of Queen Victoria.
15. Khan Bahadur Jehangir Cursetjee Mistree was the first Indian to be Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of all Scottish Freemasonry in India.
16. Capt. Miss. Pheroza S. Davar, M.B.B.S., I.M.S., was the first Indian Army Lady Doctor commissioned in 1942.
17. Miss. Shirin Jal Virjee was the first Indian lady to receive the Diploma in Sculpture in 1941 from the Royal College of Arts, London.
18. Mr. Sorabji Cawasji Kharas (1821 - 1875) was the first Indian to go as a businessman to Aden in 1839.
19. Mr. Burjor Sorabji Kharas (1831 - 1875) was the first Indian Consul for the U. S. A. in Aden during 1869 - 1875.
20. Mr. Pheroza Shah Nasarvanji Daroowalla was the first Indian to have passed the examination of Doctors of Law from the London University in 1913.
21. Khan Saheb Kekobad Navroji Mody was the first Indian to become Supdt. Of Railway Police on the B.B.& C.I. Railways in 1870.
22. Mr. Cawasji Dhunjibhoy Mahaluxmiwalla (1863 - 1950) was the first Indian to be made Superintendent of a public garden, Maharajbagh, at Nagpur in 1885, and the Victoria Gardens in Bombay in 1892.
23. The first Indian Cricket Team to visit England in 1886 was composed entirely of Parsees, and was captained by Dr. Dhunjishah Hirjibhai Patel, who can very well be called the First Indian Cricket Captain.
24. Mr. Naoroji Dadabhai Katrak was the first Indian to be appointed Chief Engineer of the Bombay Improvement Trust in 1925.
25. Mr. Cursetjee Maneckshah Cursetjee (1847 - 1935) was the first Indian to be admitted as an under-graduate at Oxford in 1864.
26. The first three men to circumvent the earth on by-cycles were all Parsees - Adi Hakim, Rustom Bhumgara and Jal Bapasola - 1928.
27. The first two Indians to be awarded the D.S.O. were Parsee in World War-I Capt. (later Maj. Gen.) Cursetjee and Capt. (later Col.) Bharucha, both of the I.M.S.
28. The only instance of all three brothers winning the D.F.C. - the Engineer brothers - in World War II was Parsees. Aspy, (retired as Free India's second Air Chief), Minoo, with a P.V.S.M., and M.V.C. and a Padma Bhushan, retired as an Air Marshall - probably the highest decorated officer then in the Indian Armed Forces, and Pesi who left the I.A.F. to freelance. And yet a fourth brother had joined the Army and served through World War-II.
29. The first three Indians to have sat in the British House of Commons were Dr. Dadabhoy Naoroji, Sir Muncherji Bhawnargree and Sir Shapurji Saklatwalla.
30. The first Iron and Steel Works in India, the Tata Iron and Steel Company was started by Mr. Jamshedji N. Tata in Jamshedpur in 1907.
31. The first Cotton Mill in India, The Bombay Spinning and Weaving Co., was started in Bombay by Mr. Kavasji Nanabhoy Davar in 1854.
32. The first Indian to be made a Baronet was Sir Dinshaw Petit. The title was conferred on him by Queen Victoria in 1890.
33. The Parsees are the only community to have produced Chiefs of all three armed forces - Air Marshall Aspi Engineer, Field Marshall Sam Manekshaw and Admiral Jal Cursetjee.
34. Khushru F. Rustomji, the doyen of Indian Policeman, raised and commanded the BSF during the 1971 operations.
35. India's first ever, and singularly successful, time urgent response, international intervention operation involving all the three services was led by Brig. Bulsara in the Republic of Maldives, November 1988.
36. The first Indian to be made a Field Marshall was Gen. Sam H. F. J. Manekshaw in 1972.
37. The first Chairman of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission was Dr. Homi Bhabha, an eminent Nuclear Scientist.
38. The First Indian Director of The Royal Institute of Science was Dr. Bharucha.




12TH WORLD ZOROASTRIAN CONGRESS 2022 NYC

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VISION STATEMENT AND PROPOSAL

1. VISION

The Zarathushti Youth Across Borders (ZYAB) program proposes to bring young Zarathushtis from around the world to attend the 12th World Zoroastrian Congress 2022 in New York City. The Congress will be held at the Hilton Midtown Hotel in New York City from July 1-4. ZYAB seeks to empower our youth to engage actively with the global Zarathushti community.

The program is based on the “Zoroastrian Field Students Program,” initiated at the World Zoroastrian Congress in Houston (2000). Modeled on the American Field Service program where students around the world traveled to the United States to attend a year of high school, the Zoroastrian Field Student Program brought 21 students who would not have been able to attend the World Zoroastrian Congress due to economic circumstances. The Zoroastrian Field Students Program was highly acclaimed by the first group of students who attended, and their leadership and exchanges have continued until today.

WZC 2022’s theme, “Bridging the Global Zarathushti Existence,” aims to strengthen connections, concepts, and ideas, and build bridges for the next generations, while respecting our identities and diversity. Part of the bridge involves engaging the youth whose ideas and perspectives will shape the actions of the Zarathushti community in the 21st century. WZC 2022 seeks to enable these discussions among young Zarathushtis who can represent their own regions and collaborate across borders.

THE SPECIFIC GOALS OF THE ZYAB PROGRAM ARE:

1. Facilitate the attendance of Zarathushti youth (Ages 18-25), outside North America, at WZC 2022, prioritizing young Zarathushtis who would not be able to attend due to economic circumstances.
2. Increase the dialogue and active participation among Zarathushti youth from all over the world.
3. Empower Zarathushti youth to represent their regions and develop their aspirations for the future.

2. IMPLEMENTATION

1. The ZYAB Program will seek funding to finance the travel costs, registration, and hotel costs of the youth for the duration of the Congress, estimated at US \$ 3,000 per participant. The ZYAB team will reach out

through the Global Working Group (GWG) to donors in Australia, Canada, Europe, Hong Kong, India, Middle East, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, U.K., and USA to support the funding needs of Zarathushti youth from their respective regions.

2. The ZYAB team is currently working with Zoroastrian Associations in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington DC to facilitate visits with youth in these cities before or after the Congress to widen their experience and create a stronger dialogue.

3. SELECTION PROCESS

1. A worldwide call for nominations of eligible candidates for the Zarathushti Youth Across Borders Program will be sent to all the Zoroastrian Associations worldwide.
2. Applicants will submit their applications electronically by to the Congress website. Where there are no local Associations, the Team will ensure that the application is included with the closest local association.
3. Local focal points for the ZYAB program, will seek and encourage candidates to apply and serve as advocates. A three-member Committee from the local Associations will submit a short list of eligible candidates based on the ranking criteria provided by the ZYAB team.
4. The final selection process involves the ZYAB Team approving, and ranking nominations based on a select number for each region as determined by the Executive Steering Committee (ESC) of the Congress.
5. Following a final review by the ZYAB team and a presentation to the ESC, a list of approximately 20-25 applicants will be confirmed by January 15, 2022.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Applications will be invited from Zarathushti candidates between the ages of 18-25 years, currently enrolled in academic courses/studies at an accredited college/university.
2. Applicants must be involved in their local Zarathushti community activities.
3. Applicants must be able to travel from their home countries for the duration of the Congress and visits to the neighboring states within the USA, if this is possible.
4. Applicants must agree to a code of conduct during their participation and be open-minded, flexible, friendly, and ready to participate at the Congress if suggested by the Program Committee.



5. Applicants must be available to be interviewed online at several levels, locally, regionally, and globally during the selection processes, as required.
6. Applicants must be able to obtain their own visas, travel, and medical insurance, before travelling. Assistance will be requested from the local Zoroastrian Associations.
7. Applicants must be in overall good health, willing to share accommodations during their participation at the Congress and for the travel planned either prior or after the Congress.
8. COVID vaccination proof is a firm requirement. All COVID protocols, if prevalent at that time, must be adhered to.

5. ASSESSMENT AND IMPACT

1. The goal of the program is to provide widening experiences for the Zarathushti youth and to help them set up a platform for further communication, collaboration, and leadership across borders.
2. The program could also provide a longstanding framework for future World Congresses or FEZANA programming.

6. CRITICAL FACTORS FOR SUCCESS

1. The program benefits from worldwide representation.
2. The strength of the applicant pool depends on local Associations identifying and encouraging youth participants who will benefit from this opportunity.
3. Donors for the program is a key component for success.

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ABOUT THE 12TH WZC

The 12th World Zoroastrian Congress (WZC) is co-hosted by the Zoroastrian Association of Greater New York (ZAGNY) and the Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America (FEZANA).

The WZC returns to the United States after 22 years and is expected to attract 1000-1500 attendees from all over the world, including many business stalwarts, corporate leaders, and entrepreneurs, providing valuable networking opportunities for attendees to grow their sphere of influence.

Planning is under way for attendees (including teens and children) to enjoy an unparalleled WZC with engaging programs, dynamic cultural events, interesting exhibits, unique marketplace offerings, and sensational entertainment. This exceptional three-and-a-half-day event, coincides with the July 4th weekend celebrations creating a one-of-a-kind New York City experience!

The WZC will be held at the New York Hilton Midtown, giving attendees the opportunity to stay in the heart of New York City for the event.

ABOUT ZAGNY, CO-HOST

The Zoroastrian Association of Greater New York (ZAGNY) was formed in 1973 as a non-profit cultural, educational and social organization representing the Zarathushti community in the tri-state area of New York (NY), New Jersey (NJ) and Connecticut (CT). Learn more about ZAGNY at www.zagny.org

ABOUT FEZANA, CO-HOST

The Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America (FEZANA) was formed in 1987 and serves as the coordinating body for 14 Zoroastrian Centers, 27 Zoroastrian member associations, and 13 corresponding groups throughout the United States and Canada. Learn more about FEZANA at www.fezana.org

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When we do something good
We expect a reward but,
But He works in mysterious ways
He doesn't seem to see it our way

He doesn't care for bestowing
Rewards, Accolades
Cause to Him
Most important is the
Type of life one leads
Whether one is humble
And treated humanity
With Humility

Punishments are bestowed too!
For example the Variants
Have brought us to our knees.
They have stuck to us leeches
Whether one is a Christian Muslim
Hindu Jewish Sikh or a Zoroastrian.

Doesn't distinguish between
Rich or poor beggar or thief
But has laid its foundation
On the same playing field

Rewards are not meted out
Like medals in bronze
Silver or Gold
But, how many Good Thoughts
Good Words Good Deeds in
One's garban one holds

One cannot reserve a seat
In advance
By paying by cash or credit card
But, by treating humanity with
Selfless deeds that emanate
From the heart

Rewards or Punishments

Will be meted out
When one enters portals
Of the Pearly Gates
That's when He will
Decide one's fate

Before one takes the
Last breath take
(Just a thought)
Try to take into account
All one has done
From that one can tell
Whether one is due a reward
Or a punishment

Lastly I end:
Rewards come to those who only stand and wait!!

Choicest Happiness
Farida