

# News & Notes

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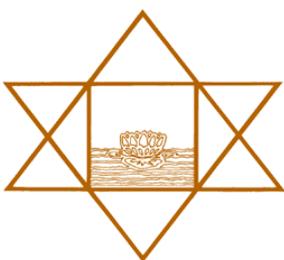
This is the eternal Tree with its root above and its branches downward; this is Brahman, this is the Immortal; in it are lodged all the worlds and none goes beyond it. This and That are one.

*Katha Upanishad*

Follow the shining thread spun out across the mid-world, protect the luminous paths built by the thought; weave an inviolate work, become the human being, create the divine race... Seers of truth are you, sharpen the shining spears with which you cut the way to that which is Immortal; knowers of the secret planes, form them, the steps by which the gods attained to immortality.

*Rig Veda.*

## The Ponder Corner



The next question that arises is whether this evolutionary movement is something separate and complete in itself or part of a larger universal totality of which the material world is only one province.

If we admit the existence of a cosmic Spirit, the Energy must be spiritual; life and mind must be independent products of a spiritual energy and themselves powers of manifestation of the Spirit.

*The Order of the Worlds  
The Life Divine by Sri Aurobindo*

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# House of Mother's Agenda

*"In fifty years the whole world, all the receptive section of humanity (I am not saying intellectual, I am saying receptive), all the receptive section of the world will be embraced – not"embraced": ABSORBED in the power of Sri Aurobindo's thought.*

*Those who already are have the good fortune of being the first ones, that's all."*

*The Mother, Agenda 16 February 1972 (+ 50 years = 2022)*

## A The Gnostic Being

*(continued from last week)*

"At the summit of being is the Absolute with its absolute freedom of infinity but also its absolute truth of itself and power of that truth of being; these two things repeat themselves in the life of the spirit in supernature. All action there is the action of the supreme Self, the supreme Ishwara in the truth of the supernature. It is at once the truth of the being of the self and the truth of the will of the Ishwara one with that truth — a biune reality — which expresses itself in each individual gnostic being according to his supernature. The freedom of the gnostic individual is the freedom of his spirit to fulfill dynamically the truth of his being and the power of his energies in life; but this is synonymous with an entire obedience of his nature to the truth of Self manifested in his existence and to the will of the Divine in him and all. This All-Will is one in each gnostic individual and in many gnostic individuals and in the conscious All which holds and contains them in itself; it is conscious of itself in each gnostic being and is there one with his own will, and at the same time he is conscious of the same Will, the same Self and Energy variously active in all. Such a gnostic consciousness and gnostic will aware of its oneness in many gnostic individuals, aware of its concordant totality and the meaning and meeting-point of its diversities, must assure a symphonic movement, a movement of unity, harmony, mutuality in the action of the whole. It assures at the same time in the individual a unity and symphonic concord of all the powers and movements of his being. All energies of being seek their self-expression and at their highest seek their absolute; this they find in the supreme Self, and they find at the same time their supreme oneness, harmony and mutuality of united and common self-expression in its all-seeing and all-uniting dynamic power of self-determination and self-effectuation, the supramental gnosis. A separate self-existent being could be at odds with other separate beings, at variance with the universal All in which they coexist, in a state of contradiction with any supreme Truth that was willing its self-expression in the universe; this is what happens to the individual in the Ignorance, because he takes his stand on the consciousness of a separate individuality. There can be a similar conflict, discord, disparity between the truths, the energies, qualities, powers, modes of being that act as separate forces in the individual and in the universe. A world full of conflict, a conflict in ourselves, a conflict of the individual with the world around him are normal and inevitable features of the separative consciousness of the Ignorance and our ill-harmonized existence. But this cannot happen in the gnostic consciousness because there, each finds his complete self and all find their own truth and the harmony of their different motions in that which



exceeds them and of which they are the expression. In the gnostic life, therefore, there is an entire accord between the free self-expression of the being and his automatic obedience to the inherent law of the supreme and universal Truth of things. These are to him interconnected sides of the one Truth; it is his own supreme truth of being which works itself out in the whole united truth of himself and things in one supernature. There is also an entire accord between all the many and different powers of the being and their action; for even those that are contradictory in their apparent motion and seem in our mental experience of them to enter into conflict, fit themselves and their action naturally into each other, because each has its self-truth and its truth of relation to the others and this is self-found and self-formed in the gnostic supernature.

In the supramental gnostic nature there will therefore be no need of the mental rigid way and hard style of order, a limiting standardization, an imposition of a fixed set of principles, the compulsion of life into one system or pattern which is alone valid because it is envisaged by mind as the one right truth of being and conduct. For such a standard cannot include and such a structure cannot take up into itself the whole of life, nor can it adapt itself freely to the pressure of the All-life or to the needs of the evolutionary Force; it has to escape from itself or to escape from its self-constructed limits by its own death, by disintegration or by an intense conflict and revolutionary disturbance. Mind has thus to select its limited rule and way of life, because it is itself bound and limited in vision and capacity; but gnostic being takes up into itself the whole of life and existence, fulfilled, transmuted into the harmonic self-expression of a vast Truth one and diverse, infinitely one, infinitely multiple. The knowledge and action of the gnostic being would have the wideness and plasticity of an infinite freedom. This knowledge would grasp its objects as it went in the largeness of the whole; it would be bound only by the integral truth of the whole and the complete and inmost truth of the object, but not by the formed idea or fixed mental symbols by which the mind is caught and held and confined in them so as to lose the freedom of its knowledge. The entire activity also would be unbound by an obligation of inelastic rule or by the obligation of a past state or action or by its compelling consequence, Karma; it would have the sequent but self-guided and self-evolving plasticity of the Infinite acting directly upon its own finites. This movement will not create a flux or chaos, but a liberated and harmonic Truth-expression; there would be a free self-determination of the spiritual being in a plastic entirely conscious nature."

*Sri Aurobindo . The Life Divine, pages 1034-1036*

[https://sri-aurobindo.in/workings/sa/18-19/the\\_life\\_divine\\_21-22\\_e.pdf](https://sri-aurobindo.in/workings/sa/18-19/the_life_divine_21-22_e.pdf)

# Townhall Speaks

## WORKING UPDATE # 5

Dear Aurovilians,

### Working Committee secretariat

With the help of a computer wizard we were finally able to access the two WC computers whose password has been changed without our knowledge. It was found that the hard drives of the two computers are blank! All the data of the Working Committee computers have been erased! We no longer have an archive, the entire computer data of the Working Committee has been deleted. This is theft of data and we have made a report regarding this.

The filing cabinets and cupboards are still locked and the keys are missing. We requested the former Working Committee secretaries to return the keys to us, but they refused. Also the seal of the Working Committee is missing and it is being used fraudulently to stamp and issue visa recommendations which are rejected by the Foundation.

Three writ petitions have been submitted by Aurovilians against the Foundation and against individual Aurovilians in Chennai High Court.

#### 1 – WP/14707/2022

- Hemant Lamba Versus Auroville Foundation and former WCom members
- case number 204900147072022

The writ petition pertains to the dismissal of former Working Committee members Mr Sauro Mezzetti, Mr Hemant Lamba and Ms Chali Grinnel via the approved community process called PWG (Participatory Working group document) by the present Working Committee members Anuradha Legrand, Arun S, Parthasarathy Krishnan, Srimoyi Rosegger. Hemant Lamba wants to challenge the legality of their dismissal in court.

#### 2 – WP/11738/2022

- Krishna Devanandan Versus The Auroville Foundation
- case number 204900117382022

This writ petition pertains to the selection of ATDC members according to community selection process 2017

#### 3 – WP/8675/2022

- Anita Gaur Versus The Auroville Foundation
- This writ petition is by Ms. Fabienne Marechel who authorized Ms Anita Gaur to file a case on her behalf. The topic is Outreach Media.

Positive steps have happened with the *joint meetings with ATDC and FAMC* which will also review and start acting on the 57<sup>th</sup> GB Meeting points.

The Working Committee has had two joint meetings, further exploring topics which need immediate attention. We want to extend a call to the community to participate in the many pending tasks and projects. The workload is immense and the working groups encourage the active collaboration of all hands to come on board to collaborate with the building of Auroville in all its aspects.

### Update on RoR numbers

1572 residents have filled in the register of residents so far, out of a total of 2472 residents above 18 years which is more or less 64%. There are about 900 people who have not yet filled their RoR. Kindly do so asap and call on us if you need help with filling in the form.

*With Best wishes,*

*Anu, Arun, Joseba, Partha, Selvaraj, Srimoyi, Tine  
The Working Committee of the Residents Assembly*

### NOTE FROM THE RECONSTITUTED FAMC

Dear community, the present FAMC has been reconstituted directly under the Governing Board for a period of three years. This came about because of Auroville's non-compliance, towards both the Auroville rules and values as well as the laws of India. Earlier FAMC groups have been doing their best to clean up but with little success. Time is running out and not only are our non-compliances very damaging to our reputation but also they are costing the community heavily in fines.

Auroville has grown "organically and wild" over the many years and its management systems have become extremely complicated and are now collapsing under their own weight which is exactly why we have been given these 3 years to restructure our organization to meet the needs of a growing township and to immediately address all observations made in the [57<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Governing Board](#).

We have a task of:

- Putting in place a **Collective Shared Accounting System**.
- Introducing **one (collective) GST accounting gateway**.
- Reducing the present number (close to 50) of trusts to 2, one for services and second for income generating enterprises.
- Creating a single procurement service.
- Creating a program for expansion of Auroville farms.
- Review of all land utilization for productive use.
- Finding and putting all unused and underutilized building and office spaces into use.
- Creating a start-up program for new entrepreneurs with support both with space, finance and mentors.
- A similar programme to support existing units to grow and provide income for the community.
- Human Resource Service and an apprentice/volunteer programme.
- Budget coordination for optimal use of capital flow.
- Consolidation of cash reserve pool for the new development.
- Housing/building asset reallocation policy (without monetisation of assets.)
- Consolidate and reality-check the Auroville data: human, land and buildings and put the data into an integrated, cross-linked database available for all working groups and the community.
- Review of stewardship policies for all the Auroville Asset types

It is a huge and challenging task ahead of us and we all need to participate as best as we can because the very survival of Auroville depends on it. Failing is not an option. A lot of work will need to go into this.

When all this restructuring is done, Auroville will be able to move forward in a beautiful way. There is so much energy here, which if channeled with a bit more focus could be a very strong force. Doing this will also set free a lot of energy, as everybody, working groups and units, can focus on their work while avoiding the spending energy on their individual fight with compliance. This change would usher in a lot of needed transparency and allow us to focus more on building our community, based on Auroville values.

Geeta and Jocelyn will be available once a week to reach out to all who have concerns and to hear their suggestions on all aspects of our collective work ahead. We will announce their availability in our next bulletin as we are still getting settled. We will also announce **Why and When (a roadmap)** of some of the above points very soon.

We take this opportunity to thank all those who have put in tremendous effort to make a push for submitting the accounts on time for the year 2021-2022. As this was the very first year we, as a community, managed this task very well. We wish to express our full support, in Matter and Spirit, to our community members' commitment to replace the existing maintenance system with a **Prosperity System** open to all Aurovilians, addressing their basic needs.

*In Her Service, Smiles, FAMC (Chandresh, Geeta,  
Jocelyn, Kalya, Sathyanarayan and Torkil)*



**AUROVILLE FOUNDATION  
DATA & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES**

Addressed to the working groups & their members as of April 1, 2022.

Land Board, Budget Coordination Committee, Working Committee, Housing Board/Service, Unity Fund/City Services, Farms & Forests, Trusts, Units & Services.

It has come to the attention of the FAMC from the postings by Auroville Council that data & email accounts of Auroville working groups which deal with Auroville Foundation assets, correspondence with official entities such as ministries, Governing Board members etc are being requested to be shifted out to domains other than [auroville.org.in](http://auroville.org.in).

Please be informed that the FAMC strongly discourages that no such activity be carried out. Shifting, copying, deleting of Auroville Foundation soft assets such as online data and working group emails be avoided by all the working group members as it has legal ramifications for Auroville as a whole and the working group members in particular.

*In Her Service, Smiles,  
FAMC*

*(Chandresh, Geeta, Jocelyn,  
Kalya, Sathyanarayan and Torkil)*

**LETTER BY DR. G. SEETHARAMAN,  
OFFICER ON SPECIAL DUTY**

17 June, 2022



Dear Residents,

We want to express our gratitude to all the residents who are cooperating with the updation of the Register of Residents, and have already filed the online form or brought us the paper form filled out. So far, we have received about more than 1,570 forms.

To make sure we can have the correctly updated list as soon as possible, we ask all those who have not yet done so to please do it in the coming days.

The original deadline of June 10<sup>th</sup> has been extended to end of June to accommodate the Residents who were not yet able to fill out the form. We feel it should not be necessary to extend once again, and the Foundation Office is offering all needed help for those who are not able to fill the form out by themselves. Do not hesitate to contact our Office for any assistance you may need.

We ask you to please make sure we do not have to extend once more, but can keep this deadline, so that the RA activities can be restarted at the earliest.

**G. Seetharaman**

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*Thank you,*

*Anu, Arun, Joseba, Partha, Selvaraj, Srimoyi, Tine  
(Working Committee of the Residents Assembly)*

*Editor Note: Dr. G. Seetharaman served as Interim Secretary of the Auroville Foundation from June 13, 2019 to November 21, 2019*

**CALL FOR TRANSLATORS  
IN ITALIAN, RUSSIAN, SPANISH AND KOREAN**



Dear Community, in a spirit of inclusiveness, we, the Resident's Assembly Service (RAS) and Auro Traductions Service, would like to increase our capacity to translate official documents, as well as regular announcements, for our fellow Aurovilians and Newcomers who might be challenged by the English language.

For that, we chose the main countries which are listed in the latest census of Auroville, and [which would likely be concerned about](#).

Today, we call for translators in 4 languages: Italian, Russian, Spanish and Korean

- The mother tongue of the applicants should be one of the above languages
- They should have good command of English in speaking and writing
- Be interested or involved in Community processes
- Good translation skill is required

To start with, we look for people who could give a few hours per week on a volunteer basis, but conditions could evolve as per the needs and requests.

Please, revert to RAS [raservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:raservice@auroville.org.in) for further information

*Thank you!*

*For the RAS, Dan, Giovanni P, Sathish A, Tatiana S*

**CALL FOR FEEDBACK ON NOMINEES:  
SELECTION PROCESS 2022**



Dear Residents, we are happy to inform you that the nomination phase of the selection process is over. It's now time for us to invite you to share constructive feedback on nominees who stepped forward to serve in one of the working groups: Auroville Council, ATDC, Entry Board, FAMC and Working Committee.

**HOW**

Please find the profiles of candidates and [fill in a feedback form here](#).

**Feedback Period Will Run Until  
Friday, June 24, 2022**

**Kindly note:** "The feedback giver can choose to remain anonymous to the Selection Teams, however his/her name will be recorded by the RAS.

The feedback will be provided anonymously to the nominee, who will have the opportunity to respond or withdraw their nomination. If any nominee withdraws, the feedback will be deleted.

The feedback and responses will be provided to all the Selection Teams (see section 6), who will decide if the feedback is relevant or significant. The feedback will be used only as pertinent information to inform the selection of the working group members and will not result in any person being disqualified prior to the selection process.

The feedback is shared only with the Selection Teams and is not made public. Members of the Selection Teams and the RAS are asked to maintain strict confidentiality, and will not share feedback or names of those giving feedback anonymously" ([PWG 2022, Part 3, 3](#)).

- If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact the Residents' Assembly Service at [raservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:raservice@auroville.org.in).

*Best regards,*

*For the Residents' Assembly Service  
Dan, Giovanni P, Sathish A, Tatiana S*

**L'AVENIR D'AUROVILLE/ ATDC  
APPROVED PROJECTS AT VARIOUS STAGES**



**Auroville Town  
Development Council**

*L'avenir d'Auroville*

**Preliminary Design Approvals**

**1. Vanaville extension – Arc en Ciel – OMP – PDA – 2552: Application for Preliminary Design Approval**

Applicant/s: Arun

Architect/ Designer: Kupuraj, Pragati Consultants

Community/ area: Arc en Ciel/Outside Master Plan

Area for which approval is sought: 87.96sqm

**Project brief:** This area is already in use and has a temporary shed like roof. The space is not enclosed by walls and is open and cannot be locked. It is exposed to all the elements like rain and humidity and dust and animals/ insects etc.

Making a permanent roof will make it more suitable for storage of delicate items and it will help to create a dust free, clean environment needed for the display and work. This space is much needed apart from the workshop area inside. The construction will be done by local workers from surrounding villages.

Vanaville has workers from the bioregion and the activities of screen printing, packaging etc. is done collaborating with other Auroville units and other handicrafts units in surrounding villages.

The present common wall near Tanto Pizzeria will be a window to Vanaville visitors coming to Tanto so that they can have a view of the products from the Pizzeria side and visit the boutique inside. This will minimize extra traffic.

The roof will be done by GI sheets which can be recycled and reused if needed in future. The design of the extension was made by Kupuraj of Pragati Consultants for an additional 87.96sqm to the existing 140.30sqm. Project is worthed 12.87.675/- and it will be funded by Arun and Renuka.

*Please note that this is an approval of the preliminary design only & not a final building NOC; Therefore, no construction can begin before acquiring the final building NOC and before the stay on construction issued by NGT is lifted.*

- Kindly mail any feedback before the 7 July, 2022 to [application-avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:application-avenir@auroville.org.in)

**2. Idoya's house – Maitreye 1 – RZ – PDA – 2558: Application for Preliminary Design Approval**

Applicant/s: Idoya Tobar

Architect/ Designer: Sonali

Community/ area: Maitreye 1/residential Zone2

Area for which approval is sought: 74.72sqm

**Project brief:** Idoya would like to build an apartment – studio on the top of Monica's studio in Maitreye 1 to gain a residential space for herself. The studio is proposed on the first floor of an existing building, so more ground area is not occupied.

The design will follow the affordable passive design techniques which are executed and tested in the Maitreye project. It will follow the same techniques already approved to do Maitreye 1. The design takes into account insulation of the walls and natural ventilation which will reduce the need for mechanical means of ventilation.

Single residence of 74.72sqm will consist of a bedroom with a walk-in closet, living space cum dining with kitchenette and bathroom. Design was made by Sonali, the design architect of Maitreye 1. Residence is worthed 23.52.810/- and it will be funded by the applicant herself.

*Please note that this is an approval of the preliminary design only & not a final building NOC; Therefore, no construction can begin before acquiring the final building NOC and before the stay on construction issued by NGT is lifted.*

- Kindly mail any feedback before the 7 July, 2022 to [application-avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:application-avenir@auroville.org.in)

**3. Veerappan family residence – Mango Garden – PDA – 2519: Application for Preliminary Design Approval**

Applicant/s: Veerappan V.

Architect/ Designer: Amal Ali

Community/ area: Mango Garden/Greenbelt

Area for which approval is sought: 120sqm

**Project brief:** Since the existing family house lies partially on private land, the applicant would like to build the family residence on AV land in Mango Garden community. Old house is proposed be transferred to Housing Service to be used as a newcomer facility for newcomers involved in green belt related activities. New family residence will consist of two bedrooms with attached bathrooms, kitchen with dining area, living room and study room. Building is designed with a central courtyard to achieve natural light and ventilation. The project is worthed 27,40,000/- and it will be partially funded by transfer of the old residence, private funds and a loan from HS.

*Please note that Housing Board had recommended for this site to be opened to the public for new applicants, however, considering that the information has been public since the site was announced, and no new applicants have come forward, and Veerappan's application is pending since more than a year, L'avenir d'Auroville has decided to process this application following due process.*

*This is a preliminary design stage, to which final building NOC would be required before the construction starts on the site.*

- Kindly mail any feedback before the 7th of July 2022 to [application-avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:application-avenir@auroville.org.in)

**Building Approvals**

**1. Jayasudha Gaje – extension – Slancio Ami – B-A-B – 2542: to build an extension to the kitchen to the existing house**

Applicant/s: G. Jayasudha Gajendran

Architect/Designer: Brahma Builders

Community/Area: Slancio/Ami/Greenbelt

Area for which final NOC is sought: 32.26sqm

**Project brief:** Applicant would like to demolish the old kitchen and build a new, extended one, as the old structure is too weak and size of kitchen too small – they would like to add 32.26sqm to the existing 136 sqm residence. Project is worth 10,67,514/- and it will be funded privately with added personal loan.

- Kindly mail any feedback before the 7 July, 2022 to [application-avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:application-avenir@auroville.org.in)

*Important note: The project holder can begin construction only after the stay on construction imposed by the NGT verdict is lifted.*

**Attached files:**

- [Binder Idoya's house Maitreye 1.pdf](#) (2.06 MB)
- [Binder Jayasudha Gaje kitchen extension.pdf](#) (1.66 MB)
- [Binder Veerappan V Mango Garden.pdf](#) (1.36 MB)
- [Binder Vanaville with updated location.pdf](#) (2.27 MB)

Submitted  
by Miriam Application Team

**FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - ES # 137**

Dated: 25-06-2022

The following people have been recommended by the Entry Board to join our community. Please share your feedback within 2 weeks for potential Newcomers, Associates and Friends of Auroville and within 4 weeks for Potential Aurovilians, Returning Aurovilians, Youth and Spouse/Partner of an Aurovilian in writing to [entryservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:entryservice@auroville.org.in). We thank you in advance.

**NEWCOMER ANNOUNCED:**



Indira



Lakshmi



Nivedha

- Indira RAMALINGAM (Indian) staying in Vikas and working at Deepanam School
- Lakshmi PANNERSELVAM (Indian) staying in Terra Soul and working at Aurosoya
- Nivedha PARIMALASELVAN (Indian) staying in Arc-En-Ciel and working at Progress Landscape

**AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED:**

- Vignesh KANDASAMY (Indian)

**LEFT ON HIS/HER OWN:**

- Daniel GREENBERG (USA)
- Rosemarie DEMELLO aka Rose (British)

**NOTE:** The Newcomer probation year becomes effective only after the NC kit has been returned and should not exceed 18 months from the date of confirmation.

A Newcomer becomes an Aurovilian once his/her name has been confirmed by The Admission Committee (aka the Entry Board) after following due process.

The date of becoming Aurovilian is the date of confirmation. An Aurovilian confirmed by the Entry Board is eligible to participate in all community decision-making processes.

A confirmed Aurovilian becomes officially a Resident of Auroville once the individual has filled in and signed the B-Form and his/her name has been entered in the Register of Residents (RoR) maintained by the Auroville Foundation Office (AVF).

A Resident of Auroville is eligible to become an executive of a Unit or Service of Auroville and to get an ID card issued by the Auroville Foundation.

A meeting with the Secretary of the AVF will be arranged by the Entry Secretariat according to the availability of the Secretary and not at any personal request.

Yours,  
The Entry Service

*Greetings from Auroville*

# Community News

## AUROVILLE MATTERS



### EMOTIONAL & MENTAL HEALTH IN AUROVILLE



Dear friends, these current challenging times in Auroville can possibly trigger the rise of unexpected thoughts and emotions, eventually bodily disagreements, as well.

One might feel betrayed, by those well-known friends or outwardly auspicious circumstances that were unconsciously expected to last endlessly in the same good manner. One might experience that the feeling of safety and happiness in which one was living for so long, of course with ups and downs but steadily all the same in the end, has suddenly fallen apart and nothing will ever be the same.

For those reasons and others, more intimate and/or surprising, one might experience unexpected and unknown mindset and emotional states, even physical disagreements or discomfort, panic-attacks or sudden fear of death or annihilation.

Whether you feel helpless or distressed, you would like to share in an intimate one-on-one session, or you would prefer to reach out to a group with people sharing similar concerns, please send a message to us and we will do our best to support you.

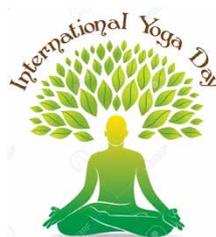
Below are a few names that you can freely contact for an attentive and confidential listening.

**Contacts:**

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- Fakeera + 91 98111 65220 (WA)
- Jitta +91 91590 53161 (WA)
- Jonah +91 91593 25264 (WA)
- Kripa +91 94432 14871 (WA)
- Rashmi +91 94482 35935 (WA)
- Svenja +91 82704 03739 (WA)
- Mattram 24/7 support: 9487746051

### INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY OBSERVATION

Dear Friends, Vanakkam!



We cordially invite friends to participate in the Aganda Yoga (Morning 9 am to 6 pm) at Ilaignarkal Kaval Educational Centre. We also organize a book exhibition on Yoga (Whatever we could from our library) Lets us have a Cheerful International Yoga Day for Love of Humanity.

For Health and Happiness.

Fraternally Yours,

Ilaignarkal Education Center Team  
[tamil@auroville.org.in](mailto:tamil@auroville.org.in), (0413) 2623773

PASSING ON

MARION

This is to inform the community that our dear friend and sister Marion Maekin passed away by suicide in the morning of Monday 13 June. She was 72 years old, and had been struggling with clinical depression.



Originally from UK, Marion came to Auroville in 2014 with her husband Tony, and officially joined in 2016. With her straightforward, direct and friendly nature, she was a much-appreciated teacher in several of our schools and other educational projects, took part in the Aikiyam support group, was involved with the Farewell team as well as with the Tibetan Pavilion, and functioned as a lively and hands-on member of the Auroville child protection group.

Many of us will remember her from the road, on her three-wheeler scooter with on the back her elderly husband Tony, whom she always surrounded and treated with the utmost love and care.

Our warmest condolences and strength go out to Tony and family members abroad, as well as her friends here in Auroville.

*May you find peace, dear Marion. OM*

- To remember her, enjoy [her choice of music and comments](#), recorded in March 2021.

AWAKENING SPIRIT

MEDITATION WITH SAVITRI READ BY MOTHER TO SUNIL'S MUSIC

6 to 6:30pm, Amphitheatre – Matrimandir

Every Thursday at Sunset.



During the summer the Meditation is with Mother and Sunil's "New Year Music", before we restart a cycle of Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music.

Enjoy the beautiful open space, an immense sunset, heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

Reminder to all:

- The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such.
- We request everyone: please do not use cameras, I-pads, cell phones, etc. No Photos.
- Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you.
- Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5:45pm.
- Please be seated by 5:55pm.

*Thank you, Surya & Amphitheatre Team*

SAVITRI IS A JOY



Savitri is a joy, a healer and harmonizer, my life-support. Maybe you are curious about Savitri but "It is too difficult", "It is for older people".

Maybe the timings of various Savitri groups are not work-

able for you.

Exploring Savitri with you, and your friend(s), would be a blessing for me, and I invite your contact.

Patricia,

Creativity, 2623750, [pat@auroville.org.in](mailto:pat@auroville.org.in)

SAVITRI BHAVAN, JULY 2022



Exhibitions

- **Meditations on Savitri:** The series of 472 paintings created by the Mother with Huta from 1961-67 is now on display in the picture gallery
- **Glimpses of the Mother:** Photographs and texts, In the Square Hall upto 15th July
- **Sri Aurobindo: A life sketch in photographs:** In the upper corridor

Films: Mondays at 4pm

We present a series of films on Meditations on Savitri, with passages from Sri Aurobindo's epic poem SAVITRI – A Legend and a Symbol, read by the Mother, accompanied by Her own organ music and paintings made by Huta under the guidance of the Mother. We offer these films, in order to concentrate within, to be with our soul and psychic being and the Divine presence.

- **July 4: Meditations on Savitri, Book 1 Canto 4:** The Secret Knowledge, Part 2. The whole world is the playground of the One Supreme and his Conscious-Force, the Divine Mother. Duration: 32min.
- **July 11: Meditations on Savitri, Book 1 Canto 5:** The Yoga of the King: The Yoga of the Spirit's Freedom and Greatness – In this meditative film we get to know about the Creation as a golden ladder linking the highest levels of Spirit and the lowest levels of Matter. Duration: 23min.
- **July 18: Meditations on Savitri, Book 2 – Canto 1- 4:** In the course of involution, the Spirit descends from The World Stair and the Soul has to ascend in the course of Evolution. Duration: 40min.
- **July 25: Meditations on Savitri, Book 2 Cantos 5 & 6:** Earth is a field of Evolution and Progress. Duration: 33min.

Full Moon Gathering

Wednesday, July 13, 7.15-8.15pm in front of Sri Aurobindo's statue

Mudra-Chi

A workshop on MUDRA-CHI on Saturday July 30, at 5pm led by Anandi

Regular Activities

- **Sundays 10:30–12 noon:** Savitri Study Circle
- **Mondays 3-4pm:** Sri Aurobindo's Isha Upanishad led by Dr.Jai Singh
- **Tuesdays 3-4pm:** Yoga and the evolution of man led by Dr.Jai Singh
- **Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays 4-5pm:** L'Agenda de Mère: listening to recordings with Gangalakshmi
- **Fridays 3-4pm:** Finding of the Soul (in Savitri Book 7 Canto 5) led by Dr.Jai Singh
- **Saturdays 3-4pm:** Introduction to Integral Yoga, led by Ashesh Joshi
- **Saturdays 4-5:15pm:** Satsang, led by Ashesh Joshi
- **Exhibitions, Main Building and Office** are open Monday to Saturday 9-5
- **Library** is open Monday to Friday 9-5
- **The Digital Library** can be accessed on request Monday to Friday 9-4

Everyone is welcome

THE SECRET KNOWLEDGE, PART 1



Meditations On Savitri, Book 1 – The Book Of Beginnings, Canto 4: The Secret Knowledge, Part 1.  
Monday, 27 June 2022, 4pm at Savitri Bhavan.

Duration: 35min.

Having reached a high level of spiritual development, King Aswapati sees yet higher levels before him. He understands that human beings are not only mortal, bound by death and ignorance: a greater existence lives within each of us. The 'peak experiences' which come to us occasionally are indications of its presence within us, guarding our future destiny. That being does not die with the death of the body: it is our immortal Origin. Meanwhile, however, our earthly existence is dominated by unconsciousness and struggle: *An outstretched Hand is felt upon our lives. / It is near us in unnumbered bodies and births... / No will can take away and no doom change, / The crown of conscious Immortality, / The godhead promised to our struggling souls / When first man's heart dared death and suffered life.* (p.59)

The Timeless One has consented to incarnate in Time. He, the Purusha moves here as Soul, she, the Shakti as Nature: *There are Two who are One and play in many worlds; / In Knowledge and Ignorance they have spoken and met / And light and darkness are their eyes' interchange;* (p.61)

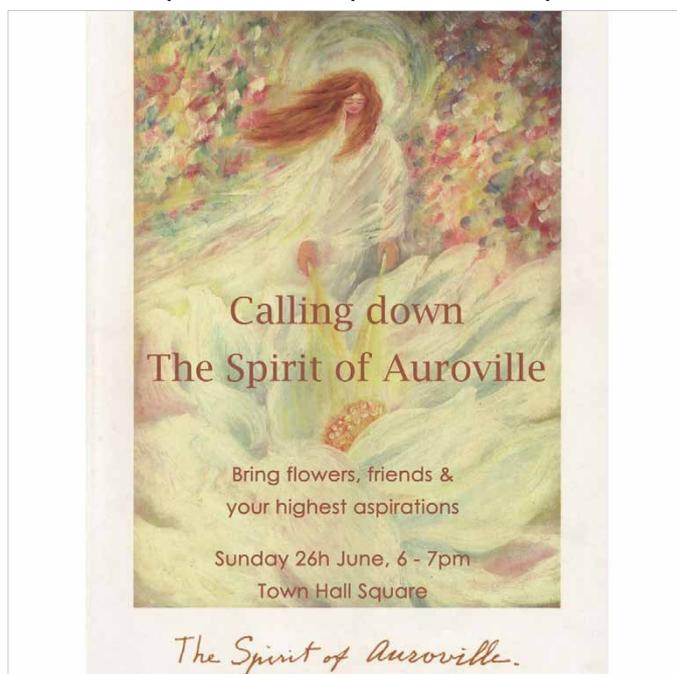
The Immortal beings living on higher levels of existence are able to see the great future which lies in store. From their heights they are guiding the Earth along the winding road of evolution to its great and blissful fulfillment when the Supreme Transcendent Being will take possession of his material house and earth-matter shall grow unexpectedly divine.

A meditative film of Huta's paintings illustrating passages from *Savitri* read by The Mother and accompanied by her own organ music which can connect us to the Divine Presence within and lead us towards the spiritual truth and the New Consciousness.

- In the beginning there will also be a short video of Huta speaking about her work with the Mother. 5min.
- The videos *Meditations on Savitri* can be seen at the Savitri Bhavan website <https://savitribhavan.org/meditations-on-savitri-video/>

CALLING DOWN THE SPIRIT OF AUROVILLE

Sunday, 26 June, 6-7pm, Townhall Square



**Session 2:** "Discovering Agni", 2 July, 9:45 – 11am, Bhumika Hall. **Facilitator:** Manoj Pavitrans

**About the session:** Agni is the most important, the most universal of the Vedic gods. In the physical world, he is the general devourer and enjoyer. He is the Will in Prana, our passions and obscure emotions are the smoke of Agni's burning. He is also the Will in the mind and clarifies it by aspiration. When he enters into the intellect, he is drawing near to his divine birthplace and home. He leads the thoughts towards effective power; he leads the active energies towards light. His divine birthplace and home, is the Truth, the Infinity, the vast cosmic Intelligence in which Knowledge and Force are unified.

- [Sign up for the one or more sessions.](#)

In light of Sri Aurobindo's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary, we are delighted to invite you to come, join us for a collective study of *The Secret of the Vedas* at Bharat Nivas.

**About Secret of the Veda:**

**The work from Sri Aurobindo:** Secret of the Veda are essays on the Rig Veda and its mystic symbolism, with translations of selected hymns. These writings on and translations of the Rig Veda were published in the monthly review *Arya* between 1914 and 1920. Most of them appeared there under three headings: *The Secret of the Veda*, "Selected Hymns" and "Hymns of the Atris". In August 1914, Sri Aurobindo began to publish *The Secret of the Veda* in the first issue of the philosophical review *Arya*.

**Series of Secret of the Veda Sessions:**

We would be covering discovering Agni, Varuna-Mitra, Indra, Saraswati, The Seven Rivers, Surya-Savitri between **18 June till 13 of August** over a series of talks and practice sessions with Manoj and Divyanshi.

- **Session 1:** 18 June, 9:45 – 11am: The Legend of the Angiras
- **Session 2:** 2 June, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering Agni
- **Session 3:** 3 July, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering Varuna-Mitra
- **Session 4:** 16 July, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering Indra
- **Session 5:** 30 July, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering Saraswati
- **Session 6:** 6 July, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering The Seven Rivers
- **Session 7:** 13 August, 9:45 – 11am: Discovering Surya Savitri
- [Sign up for one or more sessions here.](#)

You could also sign up on spot at 9:15am.

It is preferable to attend all sessions.

**Contribution:** Give from your heart, pay what you like at 252925.

Warmth, Divyanshi and Palak  
Purnam Centre of Integrality and Bharat Nivas

Come and join another Sunday community circle, gathering in quiet invocation and singing Mother's mantra... Affirming our oneness, beyond any divides, from the deep place of LOVE FOR AUROVILLE.

We will start at 6pm with a short Mudra Chi (a 'body prayer' based on Mother's mudras), followed by a song (lyrics shared at the event), and silently meditating together. As usual, after the meditation you are invited to share a potluck dinner at Le Morgan. Bring a dish, a plate and spoon, your generosity and joy!

*In ardent prayer for Unity in Diversity, Jasmin, on behalf of the organizing team of 'Calling the Spirit of Auroville' gatherings*

आत्मसंयमयोग: **THE YOGA OF SELF-CONTROL**

Saturday, June 25, 10am to 12pm,  
Bhumika Hall, Bharat Nivas

Welcome to an interactive session on:

## आत्मसंयमयोग: YOGA OF SELF-CONTROL

We will continue our study of the Bhagavad Gita, this time with a focus on Chapter 6 - आत्मसंयमयोग: facilitated by Sampadbhai.



Dr Sampadananda Mishra is a scholar of Sanskrit and Indian culture with over 25 years of dedicated service. He is devotee of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother. Presently he is working as a Professor at Rashtram School of Public Leadership and Rishihood University, Sonipat.



**SATURDAY - 25TH JUNE, 2022**  
**10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM**  
**BHUMIKA HALL, BHARAT NIVAS**

Write to: [devabhasha@auroville.org.in](mailto:devabhasha@auroville.org.in)  
All are warmly welcome.

Samskritam Auroville & Bharat Nivas Team

नमस्ते Trust you are well. We are happy to continue our exploration of the Bhagavad Gita with Dr Sampadananda Mishra. This Saturday he will share a summary of Chapter 6 आत्मसंयमयोग: *The Yoga of Self-Control*, insights from some key shlokas and their deeper significance in everyday life.

- 10 to 10:25am: Chanting of Sanskrit shlokas from Chapter 6;
- 10:30am to 12pm: an interactive session with Sampadbhai.

Here are a few verses from the Bhagavad Gita chapter 6:  
In verse 6.9 Sri Krishna says:

सुहृन्मित्रार्युदासीनमध्यस्थद्वेष्यबन्धुषु ।  
साधुष्वपि च पापेषु समबुद्धिर्विशिष्यते ॥

*He who is equal in soul to friend and enemy and to neutral and indifferent, also to sinner and saint, he excels.*

In verses 6.33 and 6.34 Arjuna says:

योऽयं योगस्त्वया प्रोक्तः साम्येन मधुसूदन ।  
एतस्याहं न पश्यामि चञ्चलत्वात्स्थितिस्थिराम् ॥

*This Yoga of the nature of equality which has been described by Thee, O Madhusudana, I see no stable foundation for it owing to restlessness.*

चञ्चलं हि मनः कृष्ण प्रमाथिबलवद् दृढम् ।  
तस्याहं नगिरहं मन्ये वायोरपि सुदुष्करम् ॥

*Restless indeed is the mind, O Krishna; it is vehement, strong and unconquerable; I deem it as hard to control as the wind.*

In verse 6.35 and 6.36 Krishna says:

असंशयं महाबाहो मनो दुर्नगिरहं चलम् ।  
अभ्यासेन तु कौन्तेय वैराग्येण च गृह्यते ॥

*Without doubt, O mighty-armed, the mind is restless and very difficult to restrain; but O Kaunteya, it may be controlled by constant practice and non-attachment.*

असंयतात्मना योगो दुष्प्राप इति मे मतः ।

वश्यात्मना तु यतता शक्योऽवाप्तुमुपायतः ॥

*By one who is not self-controlled, this Yoga is difficult to attain; but by the self-controlled, it is attainable by properly directed efforts.*

What is the deeper significance of अभ्यास (abhyaasa) and वैराग्य (vairagya) and how do we bring it in our everyday life through properly directed efforts? We look forward to reflecting together on the Gita chapter 6 – आत्मसंयमयोग: *The Yoga of Self-Control*.

All are welcome.

पुनर्दर्शनाय पुनर्हरषणाय, पुनर्मातृदेव्याः कृपावर्षणाय ।  
Warmly, Samskritam Auroville and Bharat Nivas Team

## THE ARTS

### SAVITRI PAINTING

In light of Sri Aurobindo's 150th Birth Anniversary  
We Welcome You to

*Savitri Painting*  
Paint Your Soul

Jun 25, 2022  
10:00AM - 12:30PM  
SAWCHU, Bharat Niwas, Auroville

Special Physical Session

Connect with your deeper essence through the joy of painting with Savitri

REGISTER NOW  
[bit.ly/savitri-painting-registration](http://bit.ly/savitri-painting-registration)

We welcome you to experience a session of Savitri Painting to touch one's deeper essence through the joy of painting. ask in the vibrancy of colors, sacred music and the poetry of Savitri. No artistic skills are required to attend the session, only an openness to the process.

- [Register now](http://Register now)

**Location:** Sawchu, Bharat Niwas, Auroville

**Date & Time:** 25 June, 2022, 10am – 12:30pm

- Please be available before 9:55am, so we can start as per schedule

- Registration is compulsory, and to be done by 22 June
- Towards Contribution Rs150
- Account Number: 252925
- Registration: [bit.ly/savitri-painting-registration](http://bit.ly/savitri-painting-registration)

If you have any colors (watercolor preferable), brush and drawing sheets, bring, otherwise, we will provide.

**For more information please contact below:**

- [savitripainting@auroville.org.in](mailto:savitripainting@auroville.org.in)
- Ph. +91 9167789899 / 9599266910

Warmth, Divyanshi and Palak  
for Purnam Center of Integrality

### BHARATNIVAS-KALAKENDRA ANNOUNCEMENT

Afternoon Painting Classes are resuming from 5 July

Venue: Kalakendra Art Gallery

Day and Time:

- Tuesday, 5 July, from 2:30 to 4pm.
- Thursday, 7 July: 2:30 to 4pm.

Weekly two afternoons, Tuesdays & Thursdays at Kalakendra Art Gallery. All are welcome to join.

Aurovilians (classes are free) and guests with contribution. Teachers guidance available.

For more information, write and apply to [bharatnivas-kalakendra@auroville.org.in](mailto:bharatnivas-kalakendra@auroville.org.in)

Kalakendra Team,  
0413 2522488, 9442121315

### AUROVILLE INSTITUTE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

College is offering three-year Bachelor Degree



Auroville Institute of Applied Technology received provisional affiliation to B.Voc. courses to the Pondicherry University!

We are looking for qualified young people for the following positions:

- Faculty for English with M.A.in English
- Workshop Incharge/Lab Assistant for our Electronic and Chip Design course with a min. qualification Diploma or B.E./B.Tech. (ECE).
- Librarian B.A. (Library)

Please contact Lavkamad/ph. 9443238303 or send your CV to [principal.aiat@auroville.org.in](mailto:principal.aiat@auroville.org.in)

Please apply to Lavkamad  
[lavkamad@auroville.org.in](mailto:lavkamad@auroville.org.in), phone: 9443238303

## Visitors Center's Right Path Cafe #cafeteria.auroville

**LIVE  
MUSIC  
NIGHTS**

A collaboration with  
Kalabumi Music Studio

#kalabumimusicstudio.av

**7PM  
SUNDAY  
JUNE 26**

**AUROVILLE'S OWN  
GRATEFUL DEAD  
TRIBUTE BAND!**

For visitors from outside Auroville, kindly park your car, two-wheeler or van at Visitors Center main parking and walk to the cafe!

Table reservations  
8903963137 / 0413-262248

### BIOREGION

#### RUPAVATHI ACTIVITIES

- **Bio-region Temple Tour:** Ever Sunday 9 to 12 noon, starting from Solar kitchen
- **Indian cooking, Mandala and Tailoring:** Every Monday and Friday 10am to 12 noon at Creativity.
- **Thai Massage:** Every Tuesday and Thursday at Creativity. (If you want to Participate, please book it in advance)



Contacts:

- ph.&WA: 8098845200, 9487272393
- [rupavathijoy@gmail.com](mailto:rupavathijoy@gmail.com)

*Regards, Rupavathi*

### SPORTS

#### CYCLE RIDE

Cycle ride open to all, 29 June, 6am.



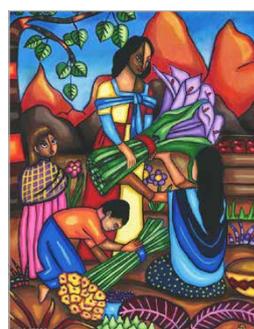
We, André and Eric, are organizing a cycle ride in and around Auroville on 29 June at 6am, starting from the Information Center. Distance will be 15/20km.

You will need to have your cycle in good condition to avoid mechanical problems. We will carry emergency tools and puncture repair kit. Bring a water bottle.

*See you there, André & Éric*

### HONORARY VOLUNTARY

#### GAU SEVA AT SADHANA FOREST!



Your heartfelt service is needed at the Sadhana Forest Gaushala! You are most welcome to join us on any day from **6am onwards**, and have a vegan breakfast at **8:45am**. Breakfast is offered as a gift, and there is no need for prior booking.

If you would like to contact us:  
[sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in](mailto:sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in),  
WA 8525038274 or call  
8122274924.

*Looking forward to welcoming you!  
The Sadhana Forest team, warmly, Shek*

### EDUCATION

#### AUROVILLE LANGUAGE LAB

##### Opening Hours

**Monday – Friday:**  
9:00am – 12:00pm & 2:00pm – 5:00pm.

**Saturday:**  
9:00am to 12:00pm.

**Location:** International Zone, after Unity Pavilion & Pump House.  
**Phone:** (0413) 2623 661, 4036920/22.

**Email:** [info@aurovillelanguagelab.org](mailto:info@aurovillelanguagelab.org)



Find us on @aurovillelanguagelab  
Auroville Language Lab Tomatis Research Centre

##### Tomatis

We are fully booked for Tomatis programs for the month of June. We will be open for new bookings in July!

For more information about the Tomatis program, please have a look at the following links:

- <https://www.aurovillelanguagelab.org/tomatis-method.php>
- <https://www.aurovillelanguagelab.org/tomatis-kids.php>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wnpXprTl3m0>
- <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeTIG0y-sBMlyy-wZNdZcAng/videos>
- <https://www.listenwell.com/>

**WORK OPPORTUNITIES**

**SAVI IS LOOKING FOR A NEW MEMBER**  
to be part of our team,  
must be an Aurovilian or a Newcomer.

**Administrative assistant (Half time position)**

- Welcoming Auroville unit requests for assistance (Visits, interviews)
- Information on Volunteers terms & conditions & Savi process
- Learning Opportunities creation & updates for volunteers
- Units/activities Database maintenance
- Tracking and reporting Volunteers status



**Required skills**

- Welcoming countenance
- Office Administrative /organization skills
- Self organized, accurate and reliable
- Good communication skills (oral and written) and English language proficient
- Conversant in MS office, MS excel and database
- Ability to work in a team

Maintenance available after a month of probation

Contact Savi with your CV and a mail stating your interest ([study@auroville.org.in](mailto:study@auroville.org.in))

**HR HUB INITIATIVE**



*HR Hub Initiative is a service which helps individual Aurovilians and Newcomers who are looking for suitable work to find it, and to help Auroville units and services who are looking to fill positions to find the right individuals to step in.*

**Handyman (Half time and/or Full Time position)**

A dynamic project is looking for a person to join their team and work together in community with adults and children.

- An enthusiastic DIY (Do It Yourself – or handyman/woman), practical, capable of helping to maintain the physical aspects of the campus.
- Plumbing/electricity/masonry/carpentry skills would be an asset, as well as the capacity to oversee maintenance work by external workers. Working closely with adults and children will be a part of the task.

**Service Administrator (Full Time position)**

- Preparation of weekly Agenda for meeting and sharing with concerned parties
- Taking meeting notes; Finalizing the weekly meeting notes and sharing once approved with the concerned parties; Manage Invitees to the meeting (invitations and timings)
- Managing the email Inbox; Email liaison with other working groups;
- Managing the Google Team Drives; Sending out drafts prepared by the members once quorum is achieved; Create drafts, as and when assigned by the members; Create a two-monthly report to be posted on Auronet and News & Notes

...plus other extra administration tasks.

This is a full time position for a full time maintenance.

**Office Assistant (Half time position)**

A team is looking for an office assistant. The work consists in: check & process bills and receipts; Book keeping and Data entry in Tally; Accounting support.

**Required skills:**

- A degree in Commerce & Knowledge in Tally;
- English – Reading & Writing knowledge must, Spoken Tamil is optional
- Computer skills: Typewriting ,MS Excel & Tally 9.2

There is a one month training, minimum trial period of 3 months, can be extended if the individual has the shown potential and strives to improve. Maintenance available during the trial period. This is a half-time position open for Newcomers or Aurovilians.

**Looking for Communication Assistant**

- Half time and/or Full Time position

Project that offers online courses is looking to expand their team. Looking to invite a smart and sincere communication assistant to support the overall community building aspect.

- **Soft skills required such as:** love to talk to people; have good communication skills; have good listening; be patient with people; like to help people win; compassion and empathy.

This is a full time/half time opportunity and accordingly an Auroville maintenance will be offered. If you like to work with people and feel fulfilled to see others achieve their goals and dreams then this is the right job for you. Requirement: You must have a laptop and a smart phone; you must be good in writing and speaking English.

**Receptionist (Full Time position)**

- Basic Computer skills needed; friendly and welcoming; committed and punctual.

Full Time. Maintenance available

**Administrative assistant (Half time position)**

A Service is looking for a new member to be part of their team.

- **Required skills:** Welcoming and friendly; Office Administrative /organization skills; Self organized, accurate and reliable; Good communication skills (oral and written) and English language proficient; Expert in MS office, MS excel and data analyst; Ability to work in a team. The position is open to Aurovilians and newcomers. Maintenance available after a month of probation.

*Please contact us for more information and if you are interested in any of these work opportunities or if you are looking for something else. You can find us at [hr\\_hub@auroville.org.in](mailto:hr_hub@auroville.org.in)*

*HR Initiative Team*

**PROJECT COORDINATOR FOR BASIC WEBSITE**

We are looking for someone to work with us on our basic website development project as a coordinator. The work will involve research for usable photos on Adobe Stock and Shutterstock, interaction with the developer, media volunteer (photographer), content writer (company management) and taking the lead in putting media and content together and giving it to the developer for the implementation. Also checking and reviewing the work.

Estimated hours of work are 2-3 hours per day for 6-8 days. Previous experience in working on website development is required. Contribution available.

Please send an email to [steffen@auroville.org.in](mailto:steffen@auroville.org.in)

*Thanks and best regards, Steffen Engelhardt  
Manager Joy Health Food/ECOFARE*

**LOOKING FOR**

**Looking for a Tandem Bicycle**



Looking for a tandem bicycle! If you have one lying around, I would be happy to collect it from you. Compensation will be offered.

Kindly SMS/ WA 9443362528  
Thank you in advance :-), Prema

**Auroville Child Protection and Safeguarding**



Dear Community, Auroville Child Protection and Safeguarding, (AVCP) is currently **looking for a smartphone** for our AVCP sim card that can support WhatsApp. If you happen to have one lying around that we could have, we would be happy to take it off your hands and/or pay a second hand rate for it.

Thanks! AVCP Team

Contact: [avcp@auroville.org.in](mailto:avcp@auroville.org.in)  
or Leela +917094926849

**AVAILABLE**

**Valli looking for Work**

Valli, who has been working in Gaia, is seeking halftime work from 1 July onwards. She is especially happy for work which includes cooking, and loves animals. Please contact her daughter Saranya on +91 95858 48451.

Thank you, Krishna.

**Best Quality Saraswati Veena**

Selected by a Veena Master for the highest sound quality, this Veena is available for its original cost price. It's three years old and in very good condition. Comes with a stand and cover. Please send an email to [nandini.auroville@gmail.com](mailto:nandini.auroville@gmail.com). You can also call 8220515654 or 9943532829.

Submitted by B

**KTM 390 Duke available**



2017 KTM 390 Duke available. 19k mileage with new rear tyre and service.

Please contact +919766126866

Shruti

**A Hero Maestro black color**



A Hero Maestro black color scooter, 10 years old in very good condition.

If interested please contact 9150560132.

Rabindra

**TAXI SHARING**

**Pick up from Chennai airport, 29 June, 11:30am**



I need a pick up from Chennai airport at 11:30am on 29 June. If anyone is arriving at a similar time or would like to leave Auroville early morning on the 29<sup>th</sup> and wants to share, please WA +919488483286 or e-mail [nandita@sharan-india.org](mailto:nandita@sharan-india.org)

Dr Nandita Shah

**HELP NEEDED**

**STREET ART EXHIBITION FUNDRAISING**



**CREEVA**

Hello Everybody, CREEVA (Centre for Research Education Experience in the Visual Arts), wants to hold a **one day street art exhibition for our Auroville and outside artists at around Bharathi Park in Pondicherry.** We intend to have this show to celebrate Sri Aurobindo birthday on 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2022.

We hope the artists participating in this exhibition will delight the public with their works of art and this event will be a great opportunity for an artist to realize the fullness of their creativity in the future.

To implement this event, we have to pay fees of ₹30,000 to Government of Puducherry for the permission, and ₹30,000 for other expenditures. Approximately, a total estimated cost of ₹60,000.

CREEVA is a non-profit service organization, we want to support artists, they want a chance to show their work to the outside world, imposing a fee on the participating artists will be a burden to them.

Therefore, we request for your support and heartfelt donations on this occasion to promote this project.

**Donate on following. Cause:** Creeva's Street Art Exhibition 2022, Account: FS 252422

Contact: [creeva@auroville.org.in](mailto:creeva@auroville.org.in)

- Audrey : 04132622641, +91 94894 08358
- Sathya : +91 9486145072

Yours, CREEVA Team, Warmly, Sathya

**HEALTH CARE**

**SANTÉ SERVICES IN JUNE 2022**

Crown Road, (413) 2622803

[sante@auroville.org.in](mailto:sante@auroville.org.in), <http://sante.auroville.org.in>

**Working Hours:** Monday – Saturday, 8:45 – 12:30pm

**Tests and Sample collection**

- Monday – Friday before 12:00pm.
- No sample collection on Saturday.

**Appointment**

Please call Santé on (0413) 2622803 during working hours for an appointment & to check availability of the therapist.	
Doctor consults with Dr. Senthil, <b>Daily</b>	Nursing Care, Ezhil & Thilagam, <b>Daily (No appointment necessary)</b>
Acupuncture with Andres, <b>TOS</b>	Ayurveda with Dr. Berengere <b>Wednesday</b>
Homoeopathy with Michael, <b>Monday/ Wednesday/ Saturday</b>	Psychotherapy with Juan Andres, <b>Monday/ Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Friday</b>
Midwifery & Family counselling with Monique, <b>Tuesday</b>	Pregnancy Care & Women's Wellness with Paula, <b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</b>
Paediatric Physiotherapy with Swati, <b>TOS</b>	Physiotherapy with Osnat <b>TOS</b>
Physiotherapy with Rebeca, <b>TOS</b>	Physiotherapy and Massage with Galina, <b>Monday to Friday</b>

In Santé, we value our patient's confidentiality & make every effort to ensure their privacy.

In case of a cancellation or to reschedule, kindly inform us 24 hours in advance.



Dental Clinic  
Auromode, Auroville.

**For Appointment please contact us**

Email: [aurodent@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurodent@auroville.org.in)  
Phone: 0413-2622063 What's up: 9629199328

**Working hours**

Monday – Friday (9am – 1 pm & 2pm – 6 pm) Saturday (9am – 1pm)

## FOODS, GOODS AND SERVICES

### NANDINI TAILORING SECTION OPEN



Dear Friends, Nandini Tailoring section is now open to taking orders for your stitching requirements.

As we are still in the process of putting together a new team; the completion of your orders is likely to be delayed at this time. We are hopeful that we shall be back to our normal and perhaps improved service before long.

The days and timings are as before and given below for your reference:

#### **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays**

- between 9 and 12am in the morning and
- between 2 and 4pm in the afternoon.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

*Nandini Tailoring Section team,  
Elizabeth & Indirani*

### TERRASOUL FARMERS MARKET



**Friday's from 9 to 12:30pm**

Terrasoul farm market on Friday's from 9 to 12 30pm. Fresh vegies and fruits.

• **Saturdays farm tour at 12pm and community vegan Tamil lunch.** Booking is needed

• [terrasoul@auroville.org.in](mailto:terrasoul@auroville.org.in),  
9443434182 (WA, Telegram).

*Thanking you, Juan*

### OPEN HOUSE AT ECO FEMME

**Every Thursday morning from 10:30am**

eco femme

washable cloth pads

Dear friends, join our open house at our office in Auroshilpam every Thursday morning from **10:30am**.

Come and learn about sustainable menstrual products and our not-for-profit programs and pick up discounted cloth pads, cups and cloth nappies. See you soon!

*The Eco Femme Team*

### FREE STORE SUMMER HOURS

**Monday to Saturday mornings, 9am to 12:30pm**

Free Store

Free store will be open from Monday to Saturday in the mornings only from 9am to 12:30pm, for the months of **May and June**.

*Thanks and Regards,  
the Free Store team*

## Kimchi Festival

**23 to 24 June evenings  
Thursday & Friday**

Right Path Café at Visitors Center is inviting you to experience, beside our regular menus, new recipes using Korean Kimchi like Kimchi Momo, Kimchi fried Rice, Kimchi Noodles etc.



### NEWS FROM POUR TOUS

Dear community, we've been very busy at PourTous in Aspiration and we have great plans for our community center. We painted the inside of the shop while the girls were on tour and now it's the turn to revive the outside with some new color. Soon the sign will be back with a surprise!

The entry now has a sitting area and we're adding potted plants to make it even more attractive. We're calling on volunteers who have suggestions on suitable decorations once we've finished the basic colors.

If you feel the calling to collaborate in any way please contact Joel Sanjana at 2623091 or [ptps@auroville.org.in](mailto:ptps@auroville.org.in).

We are preparing to open the Canteen as soon as we possibly can and have already started to clean that area.

We will offer a space where Aurovilians and their guests can enjoy healthy, sustainable and affordable food, a little bit away from it all...

Many products have been added from Auroville and the bioregion. We call on all Auroville producers who actually produce something to contact us. Simply repackaging is not an added value and will be shunned as we hope you agree. We would love to be the center for all your Auroville and bioregion offerings and needs at the best possible prices.

#### **We now offer**

- Kajimba fermented drinks
- Massimo's Fontina cheese
- Crackers and cookies from the Bakery and bread on order
- Leelu's affordable nut butters from Tiruvannamalai
- IFB fish filets and breaded fish fingers (with a little masala! ;-)

The range of bulk has expanded with affordable vinegar and now has a place of its own. Do ask for assistance when needed. More bulk will follow as we practice and find space for the containers.

We are trying to order more consciously every new day and provide you with what you need...

We offer all units, services and guesthouses a discount\* for all they consume professionally and soon will be able to provide a monthly GST bill for all purchases. And we're also planning to become energy independent by installing solar panels from Sunlit Future framed by Aureca. Then we could also have charging stations.

Trying to serve you, the community, as well as we can.

## Pour Tous Goods

Dear community, we have a lot of news for you.

As you hopefully appreciate we are changing a lot to make 'Old' Pour Tous the place where you want to go get all you need. Many items are moving and we hope you bear with us.

- **The right side as you enter** will have all Auroville, bio-region, bio-eco-organic items. It will grow into the one-stop-shop where you can find anything sustainably produced in Auroville and the bio-region.
- **The left is literally what is 'leftover'** and those unsustainable items will shrink in number and volume but will not disappear completely!

We will never limit your choice. We will try to find the best alternative or even stock items especially for you if you really need them. Just help us by letting us know if you miss items.

This of course is a step-by-step process and will take time.

We ask you to help us by being patient and giving us constructive suggestions and even come and help us if you think you can contribute!

- We are changing the ordering system which is causing some empty spots and shelves, but we prefer to buy the right stuff right away. Thank you for your patience!
- We are experimenting with email orders to be ready for pick-up or even delivery.
- We are able to give discounts to units, services, guest-houses, schools and services for items you use.
- And we can give GST invoices at the end of the month on demand.

Please place your orders via email: [ptps@auroville.org.in](mailto:ptps@auroville.org.in), info: 0413 262 3091

## The new items and special offers this week

### New 'Old' Pour Tous

- Oyster mushroom instant soup (with soups and in AV)
  - with Ragi (Finger Millet): 62.36Rs.
  - with Bajra (Pearl Millet): 62.36Rs.
- Dried Cordyceps Militaris mushrooms: 241.50Rs.
  - for healthy tea
  - From EMS mushrooms in Aurobrindhavan
- Gastronomica Pasta
  - Plain & spinach: 80Rs./250G
  - Glutenfree: 150Rs./250G
- 7690/Bon Appetit rice waffles: 237.28 Rs.
  - with dark chocolate
- from AV Smoked foods
  - 4351/SMOKED FISH FILET 1957 Rs./KG
  - 4353/AV SMOKED PANEER 1134 Rs./KG

*In the new fridge*
- Jackfruit from Hermitage
- Tamarind from Baraka 115Rs./KG only
- Auro Mira chicken
  - 8040/full chicken Rs.258/KG
  - 4418/chicken breast Rs.350/KG
  - 4417/chicken leg Rs.285/KG
  - 4419/chicken wings Rs.200/KG
  - 8041/soup bones Rs.120/KG
  - 8030/liver Rs.150/KG

*In the freezer*
- AV Bakery bread & cookies at Pour Tous, using your in-kind scheme
  - Bread order: email to [ptps@auroville.org](mailto:ptps@auroville.org) your name, community and account number
  - Before 3pm pick-up the next day from 10am, bread will be billed & kept for you 2 days
  - No cancellation possible

10. We now also offer

- **MGEcoduties probiotic soaps in bulk**
- 4567/Dishwash Liquid 203/Lt
- 4568/Dish&Laundry 2in1 Bar By Kg 414/Kg
- 4569/Laundry Powder 227/Kg
- 4570/Fabric Softener 163/Lt
- 4571/Laundry Liquid 258/Lt
- 4574/Sabrina Powder 68/Kg
- 4576/Deep Impact 136/Lt
- 4578/Pro Det C Cleaning Liquid 136/Lt

## MG Eco Natural Probiotics Products:

- Zero Waste to Landfill, our packaging has no plastic.
- We ONLY use Natural Ingredients.
- We DO NOT use Palm Oil that destroys rainforests
- We DO NOT use Parabens, Phthalates, Phosphates, Sulphates, Additives, Preservatives, Synthetic Colours & Fragrances, SLS, Formaldehyde, etc.
- We take care of Mother Earth and its creatures. We do not use any animal derivate product and/or associated with animal cruelty.
- We purify and structure the water with Probiotics Ceramics, made by us, for all our manufacturing products. Ask for details.
- VEGAN.
- Hand-Made. Not associated with mass production using machines.

We welcome your suggestions to improve our service to our community

*PourTous team:*

*Kumaran, Naren, Kumar, Joel Bharati, Devna, Isabelle, Jayanti, Kalai, Lakshmi, Leela, Mathi, Mugunthan, Nandini, Navanitham, Nivi, Sathya, Shanmugam, Sundari, Tilaga, Vani-Sivabakiyam, Vanitha*

# Voices and Notes

## AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear Aurovillians, please check the latest podcasts of your favourite radio! Stay tuned!

[Here you can listen](#) to the stream channel (playing 24/7).

[Here you can see](#) on-air schedules.

## Last published podcasts

- [Audible Weed Walk – Ep.84 “Eating weedy greens during the rains: but when?”](#) (Food Education)
- [Marlenka’s Weekly Offering – ep.58](#) (Literature)
- [Une série hebdomadaire de lectures par Gangalakshmi – 400](#) (Integral Yoga)
- [The Life of Sri Aurobindo in Tamil -Ep.20](#) (Sri Aurobindo) **“ஸ்ரீ அரவிந்தரின் வாழ்க்கை வரலாறு”**
- [Tamil Express – lesson 14](#) (Tamil Language)
- [Savitri, B. I, C. I, Part 2](#) (Integral Yoga)

...and more! on [www.aurovillradio.org](http://www.aurovillradio.org)

Please help us to relocate the radio!  
Donate to F.A. number 251369

For more information write to [radio@auroville.org.in](mailto:radio@auroville.org.in)

Peace and Love

AV POETRY

I DON'T WANT TO WRITE POEMS

Marion, the afternoon tea together  
 Poems should have taste  
 Marion, the flowers of the next door  
 Poems should have smell  
 Marion, the friendly hug at Pour Tous  
 Poems should have touch  
 But really, I don't want to write poems  
 Do you remember Akash?  
 I want to remember the salty ocean  
 Poems should have taste  
 I want to remember the previous day's odor  
 Poems should have smell  
 I want to remember the burnt pot empty of biryani  
 I had to give it the strong touch of my hands to clean it

No, I don't want to write poems  
 I told him to pour a little water to heat it up

Ivana

IN HER MOMENT OF HUMOR

In Her moment of humor  
 Mother named bitter gourd "Sweetness".

Bitter sweet...flavors of life.  
 Like or reject them, they just exist.  
 Significant or not, they still pass.

∞

Sometimes  
 Children play wild  
 And forget to  
 Put things  
 Back in order.

What can a mother do?  
 Continue to smile  
 Or feign a stern response?

∞

We sing out loud  
 Chaotic or in chorus  
 The silent witness  
 Waves Her arms  
 And conducts in Grace.

BIRTHDAY GIFT

When Lord himself  
 Prepares a grand gift  
 For His birthday  
 He sets the worlds  
 As a stage  
 Invites all His  
 Creatures and children  
 To participate  
 To each play a role  
 In the drama that unfolds  
 In the play of opposites  
 Fighting & mimicking each other

To realise their resemblance  
 To remember the One origin  
 To live the finale  
 Of a Life Divine  
 Now or later

With joyful Gratitude,  
 Anandi Zhang

VOICES & NOTES

THE CORE PARAMETER OF LIFE IN AUROVILLE

The core parameter of life in Auroville is not Human Unity per se. This is the traditional point of view.

The fundamental unity is already there. The predominant limitation of humans is the non-perception of this oneness, living in an illusory sense of separateness, a false perception of reality which creates confusion, adharmic actions and karmic suffering.

And so to understand Auroville is to understand the avataric Vision and Work of our founders Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, the core of which is this:

"Man is a transitional being, he is not final."

Unity in Diversity is the initial acknowledgement of an individual who has awakened to the play of opposites, the seeming contradictory yet complementary hierarchical play of beings and consciousness-forces. This is the Truth-Unity Consciousness that is the result of finding the Psychic within and re-uniting with Spirit.

These more or less awakened family of individuals now come together in a Deva Samgha, the purpose of Auroville, for the collective Work necessary for the full Triple Transformation: psychicisation-spiritualisation-supramentalisation of the family of transitional beings, the residents of Auroville in its unique diversity, archetypes that will act as contagion for others globally, towards the next apex species the Supramental beings.

This is a multi-generational multi-psychophysical level of endeavor, the core of which is the Vision and Work of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother.

Without this core evolutionary understanding of the trajectory of life on Earth, one is lost in dissonant personal pursuits, especially here in Auroville which embodies this core Vision and Work. This infers that any falsehood that is in disharmony with the Truth cannot continue to be. And so the churning<sup>1</sup> which are the progressive transformational process itself, prompted by successive non-ending evolutionary catalysts one after another. Surrender and adaptation are the keywords of this spiritual evolution. This is also why Auroville is labeled as the City of Dawn and the Cradle of the transitional beings.

The easiest and most joyful path to be receptive to the Auroville vibes is the Sunlit Path of Surrender:

"...to live in Auroville, one must be a willing servitor of the Divine Consciousness."

We do not know exactly when it will happen, but in a positive progressive mode of integral surrender — psychic-mind-life-body — we will each be guided by The Divine Mother according to our unique capacities and will simply be instruments towards the coming Divine Manifestation of the Supramental beings that will divinely govern Earth and usher in a Life Divine, for humans and all sentient beings in the diversity of it all.

Om Namo Bhagavate  
 Zech . 2022.06.15

References for paper copy:

<sup>1</sup> Please see my post on News & Notes #926 titled 'Trapped in a Corner', or if you have Facebook please type on the search bar 'trapped in a corner zech joya'

### LET'S BUILD THE RESIDENTS' ASSEMBLY PAVILION

We all want to build the City. Let's start building a Residents' Assembly Pavilion, where we can meet, discuss, and decide. A place for Unity in Diversity, for Peace, for building "bridges." A space to remember why we are here.

If this resonates with you, please sign up here:

- <https://forms.gle/QijzbSDcUXqxKRav9>.

Also, please share any ideas to [residentsassemblypavilion@gmail.com](mailto:residentsassemblypavilion@gmail.com). Where do you imagine the Residents' Assembly Pavilion to be? How does it look like? For what purposes will it be used for?

For me, we can quickly build a simple, temporary, structure wherever (for example, near Solar Kitchen). I see it made in natural materials (bamboo, wood), a circular space (resembling the Auroville symbol), with no walls, open to all residents to meet whenever they feel the need. With whiteboards and panels where they can draw their comments and ideas. Maybe even with some attached space for the Residents' Assembly Service, and the Working Committee of the Residents' Assembly.

Let's do it. Now. Together.

Giovanni P.

### CLASSES, WORKSHOPS & HEALING ARTS

#### SOUND CHAKRAS HEALING

Guided vibrational sound journey using (chackras mantras, Tibetan bowls and Tuning forks) to help to Reduce Stress, Anxiety, Depression, Insomnia, stimulating the natural cellular healing process, Rebalancing the emotions & Reconnecting with your true essence.



- Individual session
- Couple session
- Small group (max 4 people)

Please contact me for an Appointment :)

\* Under Synthesis activity of ASSA trust  
Lakshmi 8489764602 or  
[lakshmiprem369@gmail.com](mailto:lakshmiprem369@gmail.com)

#### VIBRATIONAL SOUND BATH: RELAX - RETUNE - RECHARGE



Experience deep meditation, tranquility and self-healing invoked by harmonious resonating sounds of the unique musical instrument from Russia, which transmits the message of Love and Oneness. Silent listening to the play of resonances induces a state of quietness in the mind, peace in the heart and happy relaxation in the body. Base tones of the Russian Singing bells create space for deep psychological experience and help to reset the whole system to its original equilibrium, bringing the sense of completeness, centering and integration. Led by Vera and Ashesh Joshi, 15 years of experience in Auroville and internationally.

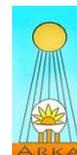
- Duration 1h30.
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday at 3pm,
- Saturday at 11am and 2pm.

Individual, family and group sessions on request at other timings. Limited number of participants.

Kindly Book: [ph/WA/Telegram 9489147202, 9486247202](https://www.facebook.com/ArkaWellnessCenter)

### ARKA WELLNESS CENTER & MULTIPURPOSE HALL

Regular activities, June 2022



#### Treatments

Treatment	With Whom	When
Body Logic, Soft Massage And Deep Tissue Massage.	Pepe, by appointment 9943410987	Monday to Saturday
Cranio sacral, Lomi Lomi Kahuna massage, Barefoot body massage.	Silvana, by appointment 9047654157	Monday to Saturday
Facial, Manicure, Pedicure, Threading, Waxing, Haircuts, Haircolouring, Hennacolouring	Meha, by appointment, 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Shiatsu, Thai Yoga Massage, Osteothai, Somatic Bodywork.	Marco, 9600094875, +353877420282 (WA)	Monday to Sunday
Chinese Fire Cupping and Moxibustion Therapy	Chun, 8098900708	Monday to Saturday
Tarot, Oracles and Akashic Records Reading	Valentina, 9791719387, +393462258049 (WA)	Monday to Friday, Morning
Ayurvedic Massage, Garshana with wool and silk gloves, Chinese Anmo and Energy Techniques	Mukta, 9655422346	Monday to Saturday
Psychospiritual Introspective Tarot Reading, Deconditioning Self Inquiry Also in French	Antarjyoti: 0413 2623767, <a href="mailto:antarcalli@yahoo.fr">antarcalli@yahoo.fr</a>	Monday to Sunday

#### Classes

Classes	With Whom	When
Acro Yoga	Damien- 9047722740	Monday to Saturday
Pilates	Teresa 7867998952	Tuesday & Thursday, 7:30-8:30am. Wednesday 4:15pm Friday 5:30pm, Appointment.
Iyengar yoga	Olesya, 9159052743	Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, 6:30-8am. Monday, Thursday, Saturday, 5-6:30pm.
Qigong yang Style	Marco, 9600094875, +353877420282 (WA)	Monday to Saturday, Appointment, 8:30 to 9:30am

## SERENDIPITY: ACTIVITIES AND TREATMENTS UPDATE



(Ex. Joy Community in front of Center GH)  
 Center Field, Auroville - 605101  
 Landline: +91 (0)413 2965693  
 Mobile/WA: +91 9385623342  
 Email: [serendipity@auroville.org.in](mailto:serendipity@auroville.org.in)  
<https://serendipity.auroville.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/serendipityauroville>

### Hatha Yoga with Ramesh

Every Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30pm

Ramesh offers hatha yoga classes with some vinyasa flow and include pranayama, traditional sanskrit mantra chanting, and meditation. The style is gentle, adaptive and progressive where passive, gravity-assisted poses are mingled with dynamic vinyasa-style flow as needed. He places a lot of focus on breathing and body-mindfulness during the practice. It is ideal for beginners to intermediate-level practitioners. You will be exposed to authentic Sanskrit terms and their correct pronunciation. The practice will be rejuvenative and restorative. These specific classes will be on donation basis even for guests.

### Traditional Sanskrit Mantras with Sonia

Every Friday from 5 to 6 pm, drop in class.

Starting on April 22.

In the recitation of Sanskrit Mantras the sound is very important and the specific pitches and strict rules of intonation and syllabic length should be learned according with the tradition of the great masters of the past, who figured out how to use the voice to calm the mind and attune the practitioner to the more subtle levels of the "sadhana" or spiritual path. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the singing, the mind reaches more clarity, concentration and tranquillity.

### Facial Acupuncture and Massage with Lhamo

On appointment only (+91 9565524237)

Facial acupuncture works on the principle that in the face there is a holographic miniaturization system covering the whole human body. The theory and techniques of facial massage comes from facial acupuncture and it is useful for people who are more sensitive and feel uncomfortable with the needles. Through massaging the face, neck, head and using acupressure, the whole body is treated and supported.

### Gua Sha (Chinese Detox Scrub) with Lhamo

On appointment only (+91 9565524237)

This is one of China's oldest treatments. The practitioner uses a tool like a flat piece of jade to scrub the skin to help release blocks, stagnant blood, energy and restore a natural flow. When the toxins in the deep layers of the body reach the surface through scraping, they get more easily released from the body. This treatment is also suitable for healthy people to detoxify, to purify and improve the metabolism of the whole body.

### Head & Shoulders Marma Massage with Bala

On appointment only (+91 9892699804)

Marma points means "vital points that hold life force energy". In this massage the practitioner uses fingers and hands to press (isometric / constant pressure) the specific point in head, face, neck and shoulders. This massage is based on the principles of Ayurvedic and various martial art traditions. Marma massage can help in relieving deep-seated tensions and improving circulation and energy flow.

### Hypnotherapy with Lhamo

On appointment only (+91 9565524237)

In modern hypnosis, the emphasis is put on our own relationship to our own creative unconscious. There are many different aspects and parts in our outer and inner life. And there are parts that don't have a positive appearance. But in hypnosis, we can turn them into positive possibilities and let them teach us how to discover their positive meaning.

### Shiatsu Massage with Sara and Simona

On appointment only (+91 9443617308, +91 9489511648)

Shiatsu is a manipulative therapy developed in Japan and incorporating techniques of anma (Japanese traditional massage), acupressure, stretching, and Western massage in order to maintain physical and mental well being, treat disease, or alleviate discomfort. It involves the uses of kneading, pressing, soothing, tapping, and stretching techniques and is performed without oils through light, comfortable clothing.

### Small Children (0-6) Chinese Massage with Lhamo

On appointment only (+91 9565524237)

A very interesting way of looking at small children's health and well being. It is a way to cure infants' daily problems (cold, digestive functions, fever, cough, etc.) and increase the immune system without medicine. It works through very soft massage using different acupressure points than adults. It is an empowering tool for parents to deal with their kids daily ailments. It is very effective for newly born babies and suitable for children up to 6 years old.

Serendipity

## HOLISTIC: HEALING AND CONSCIOUSNESS



For more info: [www.auroville-holistic.com](http://www.auroville-holistic.com) or

Mob/WA: +919489805493

or e-mail: [contact@auroville-holistic.com](mailto:contact@auroville-holistic.com)

### Schedule: June 2022

- **Ashtanga Yoga Classes, Mysore style**, with Christine P.
  - Monday/Wednesday/Friday Saturday
  - From 6 June, at 7:30am

For beginners, advanced students. The teaching is adapted to each one and his (or her) own issue (So you can join even if you have physical issue)

- **Hypnotherapy** with Christine P. Any time on appointment, last 2h: Hypnosis, healing purpose / regression.
- **Workshop: De-stress your mind with Scientific Sound & meditation.** Tuesday & Thursday at 4pm, Saturday & Sunday at 11am. Last 1h15 min. For the purpose of deep relaxation.
- **Health & Life Coaching** with Christine P., on appointment. Our days for open consultation will be Monday/Thursday from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. Improve work performance & qualities. Goal setting, relationship issues, etc. Healing purpose.
- **Health & consciousness program** with Christine P. & Mradul J. Contact us for details and appointment. Involvement in the therapy and advises given are required. Talk one to one session/CBT/NLP/Meditation/Systemic Therapy.
  - Looking for your next step in your life?
  - Difficulty to make a choice or take decisions.
  - Suffering from panic attack, anxiety, sleeping disorder, depression, etc.
  - Anyone, who wants to enhance his (or her) relationships, etc.
- **AMI: Analysis of multiple Intelligence** with Mradul J., on appointment basis. 1<sup>st</sup> appointment last 20 min: to take the finger print. 2<sup>nd</sup> appointment is for the counseling( 1h). Scientific way to discover your hidden talent and potential.
- **Acupressure therapeutic massage** with Christine P. Any time on appointment. Lasts 1h30 min. For any health issue or emotional blockage. Rebalancing the energy and harmonization of the chakra.



**VÉRITÉ REGULAR CLASS**

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**Nataraj Dance Meditation – with Nirmal**

Saturdays, from 5 to 6:30pm

Nataraj represents the energy of dance; dance becomes meditation when the mind dissolves and only the dance remains, when the 'doer' disappears and embodiment manifests. These 60-minute sessions follow Osho's Nataraj Meditation format, with enhancement of the soundtrack using live improvised instrumental music. The soundtracks are varied and live music is created to offer new experiences in every session.

**CINEMA**

**ECO FILM CLUB**

Every Friday at Sadhana Forest

**Schedule of Events:**

16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour

16:30 Tour of Sadhana Forest

18:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco Film Club

18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

20:00 Dinner is served

21:15 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen  
 Before the movie, at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work! After the film, you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 8525038274.

**\*\*Note:** Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 19:00:)

**Friday 1 July**

**Our Planet: From Deserts to Grasslands**

2019 / 50 Minutes / Adam Chapman

Experience our planet's natural beauty and examine how climate change impacts all living creatures in this ambitious documentary of spectacular scope. In this episode: Cameras follow desert elephants seeking sustenance, bison roaming North American grasslands and caterpillars living the good life underground.

The The Cassowary is an intimate and rarely seen portrait of one of Australia's last remaining southern cassowaries.



At Mmc/Multi Media Center, Town Hall

Friday 1 July, 7:45pm

(please note the exceptional change of time!)

**THE GREAT RACE**

Written & directed by Blake Edwards – USA, 1965

**With:** Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon, Natalie Wood, Peter Falk ...

**Synopsis:** In 1908, professional daredevil and white-suited hero, The Great Leslie, convinces turn-of-the-century auto makers that a race from New York to Paris (westward across America, the Bering Strait and Russia) will help to promote automobile sales. Leslie's arch-rival, the mustached and black-attired Professor Fate vows to beat Leslie to the finish line in a car of Fate's own invention. But it is without counting on the presence in the race of Maggie Dubois, a feminist journalist, who will sow trouble in the heart of Leslie. This is pure slapstick comedy homage to Laurel & Hardy). The spectacle, incredible early 20th century costuming, stunt work and attention to detail, all of which are outstanding; and of course the actors' performance is great!

Original English version with Eng. Subtitles. Duration 2h40'

**Reminder: Friday 24, "After The Life"**

by Lucas Belvaux, France/Belgium, 2002

**AVFF2022 - THURSDAY AT CINEMA PARADISO**

Thursday, June 30, Cinema Paradiso, Town Hall, 8pm



There will be a public screening of an award-winning feature film from the Auroville Film Festival 2022.

**Wandering, A Rohingya Story (Errance Sans Retour)**

• 2020, Bangladesh-Canada, Documentary, 1hr 28min

Within a few months, the Kutupalong refugee camp has become the biggest in the world. Out of sight, 700,000 people of the Rohingya Muslim minority fled Myanmar in 2017 to escape genocide and seek asylum in Bangladesh. Prisoners of a major yet little publicized humanitarian crisis, Kalam, Mohammad, Montas and other exiles want to make their voice heard. Between poetry and nightmares, food distribution and soccer games, they testify to their daily realities and the ghosts of their past memories. Around them, the specter of wandering, waiting, disappearing. In this place almost out of space and time, is it still possible to exist?



En quelques mois, le camp de réfugiés de Kutupalong est devenu le plus peuplé au monde, abritant plus de 700 000 réfugiés Rohingya en exil luttant pour leur survie. Dans ce labyrinthe d'abris de fortune, presque hors du temps et de l'espace, est-il encore possible d'exister ?

- **Writers, Directors, Producers:** Mélanie Carrier, Olivier Higgins
- **Cast:** Kala Miya (Kalam), Mohammed Haras and his family, Montas



**CINEMA PARADISO**  
**Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium**  
 Film Program  
 27 June 2022 to 3 July 2022

Cinema Paradiso-Multimedia Center is now in operation at 100% seating capacity. It is open to all. However, **temperature check, registration and Mask (and not scarves etc.) is a must** even now. Please come prepared and enjoy the films. To organize seminar/program please contact us via email. If as per regulation, there are any changes we will let you know.

**Indian- Monday 27 June, 8:00 pm:**  
**A PRE-PREMIERE SCREENING**

India, 2022, 126 mins, Drama-Gender Crisis, English subtitles, Rated NR (best to assume PG-13 / R)

This film, from an award-winning director, is being offered as a "pre-screening" that is typically meant for viewing and discussing with a discerning audience before the film premieres. For this reason, we are unable to share any further details about the film. The screening of this film has been made possible by the director and the entire film-team. Since this is a pre-premiere screening, we do not say much about the film, but judging by the director's previous films this promises to be reflective and excellent! A brief Q&A with the director and lead actor will follow the screening. *Simply Do not Miss!*

**Potpourri - Tuesday 28 June, 8:00 pm:**  
**THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON**

USA, 2008, Dir. David Fincher w/ Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett, Tilda Swinton, and others, Fantasy-Romance, 166 mins, English-Russian-French w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

Elderly Daisy Williams asks her daughter to read to her the diary of Daisy's lifelong friend, Benjamin Button, who had many unusual adventures over the course of his life. Button springs into being as an elderly man in a New Orleans nursing home. He meets Daisy, a child who flickers in and out of his life as she grows up to be a dancer, while he ages in reverse.

**Interesting - Wednesday 29 June, 8:00 pm:**  
**ATTICA**

USA, 2021, Dir. Traci Curry & Stanley Nelson w/ Richard Nixon, Nelson Rockefeller, Arthur Harrison and others, Documentary, 116mins, English (without subtitles), Rated: NR (R).

In September 1971 a prison riot broke out in Attica Prison, New York that led to a five-day standoff between the law enforcement officer mostly Black and Latino inmates. Out of the 43 people, inmates and officers who lost their lives, all but 4 died out of gunshots by the law enforcement officers. The uprising is significant event in the prisoners' right movement in the USA - and now, 50yrs later, it still highlights the need for reform. In this acclaimed film survivors, observers, and expert government officials recount and reflect upon the 1971 uprising.

**AVFF 2022 - Thursday 30 June, 8:00 pm:**  
**ERRANCE SANS RETOUR (Wandering, a Rohingya Story)**

Bangladesh-Canada, 2020, Dir. Mélanie Carrier & Olivier Higgins w/ Kalam (Kala Miya), Montas, Mohammed Haras, and others, Documentary, 88 mins, Rohingya w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

Within a few months in 2017, the Kutupalong refugee camp in Bangladesh has become the biggest in the world, when 700,000 people of the Rohingya Muslim minority fled Myanmar to escape genocide. In this place out of space and time, Kalam, Mohammad, Montas and other exiles testify to their daily realities and the ghosts of their past memories.

**International - Saturday, 2 July, 8:00 pm:**  
**UNE HISTOIRE D'AMOUR ET DE DESIR**  
**(A Tale of Love and Desire)**

France-Tunisia, 2021, Dir. Leyla Bouzid w/ Sami Outalballi, Zbeida Belhajamor, Diong-Kéba Tacu, and others, Drama, 102 mins, French-Arabic w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG

Ahmed, 18, French of Algerian origin, grew up in the suburbs of Paris. At the university, he meets Farah, a young Tunisian girl, full of energy, who has just arrived in Paris. While discovering a corpus of sensual and erotic Arabic literature he never imagined existed, Ahmed falls deep in love with Farah, and although literally overwhelmed with desire, he will try to resist it.

**Children's Matinee - Sunday, 3 July, 4:30 pm:**  
**THE PROPHET**



Qatar-France-Lebanon, 2014, Dir. Roger Allers, Gaëtan Brizzi, w/ Liam Neeson, Salma Hayek, Quvenzhané Wallis, and others, Animation-Drama, 85 mins, English, Rated: PG

Exiled artist and poet Mustafa embarks on a journey home with his housekeeper and her daughter. Together the trio must evade the authorities, who fear that the truth in Mustafa's words will incite rebellion. An adaptation of the book by Kahlil Gibran.

**Andrzej Wajda Film Festival @ Ciné-Club**

**Sunday 3 July, 8:00 pm:**  
**DANTON**

France-Poland, 1983, Dir. Andrzej Wajda w/ Gérard Depardieu, Wojciech Pszoniak, Anne Alvaro, and others, History-Romance, 136 mins, French w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG.

Danton played a crucial role in the French Revolution before his guillotining along with others who were equally instrumental in the revolution. The film highlights the political struggles that took place as idealists tried to forge the state. The idealists fought against the state that purported to care about the welfare of the people, yet it had turned tyrannical and corrupt.

Rating codes we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G=General Audiences, PG=Parental guidance suggested, PG-13=Parents strongly cautioned, R=Restricted (equivalent to Indian rating: A i.e. for Adults), NR=Film Not rated, Rating awaited, or Rating not available.

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at [mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in). We appreciate your continued support. Please donate to "Cinema Paradiso" (account #105106) or set up for a monthly contribution. We need it now more than ever.

Thanking You, MMC/CP Group Account# 105106,  
[mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in)

# Appendix

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

### Ambulance (24/7):

- Auroville – 9442224680
- PIMS – 0413 2656271

### Security (24/7):

- Auroville Safety & Security Team – 9443090107
- Auroville Police Station – 0413 2677318
- Kottakuppam Police Station – 0413 2236148
- Vanur Fire Station – 0413 2677368

### Health

- Health Center – 0413 2622123
- Santé – 0413 2622803 / 0413 2623937
- Farewell – 8903836246

### Mental health 24/7 support:

- Mattram – 9487746051

### India Emergency Response Service (24/7)

- 108

## SOME AUROVILLE ESSENTIAL SERVICES

### Fire Stations

- Vanur: 0413 2677368
- Kalapet: 0413 2655873
- D. Nagar (near JIPMER): 0413 2272913
- Sedarapet: 0413 2678101



### Auroville Safety & Security Team (AVSST)

- Emergency (24/7): +91 9443090107
- Vehicle Access: +91 9488752435
- Office: 0413 2623400
- Website: [safety.auroville.org](http://safety.auroville.org)

**Ambulance** +91 9442224680

**Santé Crown Road** (413) 2622803

### Accessible Auroville Public Bus

- Phone: 9443074825 (Raju)
- Email: [avbus@auroville.org.in](mailto:avbus@auroville.org.in)

### AuroNet

- Phone: 0413 2623424
- Email: [auronet@auroville.org.in](mailto:auronet@auroville.org.in)

### Auroville Bakery

- Phone: 0413 2622159
- Email: [avbakery@auroville.org.in](mailto:avbakery@auroville.org.in)

### AVCouncil

- Phone: 0413 2623655
- [avcoffice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avcoffice@auroville.org.in), [avcouncil@auroville.org.in](mailto:avcouncil@auroville.org.in)

### Auroville Health Center (AVHC)

- **Reception open:** Monday – Friday: 8am – 5:30pm and Saturday: 8am – 5pm
- **For general queries** on the Health Center's facilities you may call during the opening timings at 0413 2622123/ 2622221/ 2622018
- **Location in Auroville:** Aspiration, Kulilapalayam village, just before Pour Tous on the left side
- **Contact:** [avhealth@auroville.org.in](mailto:avhealth@auroville.org.in)

### AVES (AV Electrical Service)

- **Location:** Service Area, near Telephone Exchange
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 8am to 4:30pm
- **Phone:**
  - 0413 2622132/ 9488868747 for fault works, repair works and job works
  - 0413 2622264 clarifications reg. electricity bills, job & repair works bills
- **Email:** [aves@auroville.org.in](mailto:aves@auroville.org.in)

### Auroville's dental clinic, for all kinds of dental work

- **Location:** Protection, next to Aurelec in Kulilapalayam
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 9am to 5pm daily
- **Phone:** 0413 2622007/ 2622265
- **Email:** [aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in)

### Eco Service

- **Location:** In Kottakarai, on the road just before Afsanah's Guesthouse
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 8:30am to 12:30pm, and 1:30pm to 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 9443535172 (Palani K.) 9443090114 (Kali B.)
- **Email:** [ecoservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:ecoservice@auroville.org.in)

### Environmental Monitoring Service Laboratory for water and soil testing

- **Location:** Aurobrindavan, Tindivanam Road
- **Email:** [ems@auroville.org.in](mailto:ems@auroville.org.in)

### Auroville's financial services

- **Location:**
  - Town Hall, ground floor (main entrance)/main office
  - Pour Tous Purchasing Service compound, Aspiration/branch office
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 9am to 12:30pm, and 3pm to 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622171
- **Email:** [financialservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:financialservice@auroville.org.in)

### Gas Bottle Service

- **Location:** Service Area, opposite Transport Service
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622452
- **Email:** [avgasservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avgasservice@auroville.org.in)

### Pour Tous Distribution Centre (PTDC)

- **Location:** Prosperity Area, Next to Solar Kitchen
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 9am to 5:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622746/ 2622796
- **Email:** [ptdc@auroville.org.in](mailto:ptdc@auroville.org.in)

### Santé

- **Location:** Crown Road (next to Arka, opposite Surrender community)
- **Timings:** 8:45 – 12:30 & 2 – 4:30 Monday – Saturday (Please honor these timings) closed every Tuesday afternoons for internal work/meetings
- **Phone:**
  - Reception: 0413 2622803
  - Telephone Consultation Phone: 0413 2623937
  - **Email:** [sante@auroville.org.in](mailto:sante@auroville.org.in)
- **Health Fund Bill Collection Box** now also located in Santé, for your convenience

**Auroville Ambulance**

- Phone: 9442224680 (24x7)
- Acute emergencies can come directly to Santé during working hours or call ambulance if condition is severe. Call to inform about details of the case, for staff to prepare.

**Government Ambulance** phone: 108 (24x7)

**Home Care Service** for acutely ill and bedridden patients

- Phone 9488726184 from 9am – 5pm

**Telephone Service**

- Liaison with BSNL for telephone and internet connections within Auroville
- **Location:** Service Area, next to Gas Bottle Service (opp Road Service)
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 9:30am to 5pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622364
- **Email:** [telephoneservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:telephoneservice@auroville.org.in)

**Water Service** monitors water lines and supply within AV, undertakes water-related jobs

- **Location:** Under the water tower, Vikas Radial, Residential Zone
- **Timings:** Monday – Saturday, 8am to 12pm and 2pm to 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622877, 8903553246
- **Email:** [avwaterservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avwaterservice@auroville.org.in)

**Working Committee**

- **Location:** Town Hall, 1st floor
- **Timings:** Monday – Friday, 9am to 12 and 2pm to 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622143
- **Email:** [workingcom@auroville.org.in](mailto:workingcom@auroville.org.in)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NEWS & NOTES**



**Hard deadline for submissions or cancellations: Tuesday 3pm**

The content of News & Notes is a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of harmony, goodwill, discipline and truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.

**How to submit material:**

- Max size of the published poster is 9cm x 9cm independently of the size you sent. The bigger posters will be reduced.
- Please AVOID CAPS letters
- Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent in English only to [newsandnotes@auroville.org.in](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.org.in).
- Articles for the Notes section should ideally be no longer than 500 words.
- Please do not send submissions and inquiries as a "Reply" to the digital subscription mail. There is no guarantee that anyone will see communications sent this way.
- Please try your best to send your announcements, reports, film schedules whenever they are ready. Any modifications of submitted News items must be sent to the editors before Tuesday 3pm.
- We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thurs AM due to work pressure.

**Visiting hours:** call or email for appointment.

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 <b>Auroville TO PONDICHERRY</b>				
	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3	Trip 4
Svaram	7:00	9:30	14:15	17:00
Verite Udayogam Junction	7:02	9:32	14:17	17:02
Auroshilpam Youth Center Junction	7:04	9:34	14:19	17:04
Town Hall Parking	7:06	9:36	14:21	17:06
Mahalakshmi Home	7:10	9:41	14:27	17:11
Vikas Radial Junction	7:11	9:43	14:30	17:13
Solar Kitchen (Round About)	7:12	9:44	14:32	17:14
Certitude Enterance	7:15	9:47	14:34	17:17
New Creation Road	7:19	9:52	14:39	17:22
SBI Bank / Kulapalayam	7:20	9:54	14:41	17:24
Handy Market (ECR Junction)	7:24	9:59	14:46	17:29
Quiet Healing Center – Junction	7:27	10:04	14:49	17:33
Lotus Hotel, SV Patel Road	7:37	10:16	15:01	17:50
Ashram Road Junction	7:40	10:20	15:05	17:55
Ashram Dinning Hall	7:45	10:20	15:05	17:55
 <b>Pondicherry TO AUROVILLE</b>				
	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3	Trip 4
Ashram Dinning Hall	8:00	13:00	15:30	18:10
Ashram Road Junction	8:02	13:02	15:32	18:14
Lotus Hotel, SV Patel Road	8:06	13:06	15:36	18:18
Quiet Healing Center – Junction	8:18	13:18	15:48	18:30
Handy Market (ECR Junction)	8:21	13:21	15:51	18:33
SBI Bank / Kulapalayam	8:26	13:26	15:56	18:38
New Creation Road	8:28	13:28	15:58	18:40
Certitude	8:35	13:35	16:03	18:45
Solar Kitchen (Round About}	8:38	13:38	16:06	18:48
Vikas Road Junction	8:39	13:39	16:07	18:49
Mahalakshmi Home	8:40	13:40	16:08	18:50
Town hall Main Parking	8:45	13:45	16:13	18:55
Auroshilpam Youth Center Junction	8:47	13:47	16:17	18:57
Verite Udyogam Junction	8:49	13:49	16:19	18:59
Svaram	8:50	13:50	16:20	19:00

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- Rs.100 one way for Aurovilian & New comers
- Rs.150 one way for Guest