

News & Notes

#878 A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville 10th July 2021



Hoopoe in AuroDam

Painting: Roy

The Ponder Corner

If the human heart responded in all sincerity to the Love that is being poured into it with the spontaneous gratitude of a love which understands and appreciates, then things would change quickly in the world.

The Mother

Words of The Mother, vol.3, p.187

WARM GREETINGS TO DR. JAYANTI RAVI

New AV Foundation secretary IAS officer **Dr. Jayanti Ravi** has been appointed for a period of 3 years from the date of assumption of the post.

Dr. Ravi is a native of Chennai and holds a PhD in e-governance from Harvard University and an M.Sc in Nuclear Physics among other qualifications. She had worked with Kireet Joshi, who also mentored her in researching the works and philosophies of Sri Aurobindo.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM AUROVILLE HEALTH SERVICES

Aurovilian Sylvia of Surrender needs an urgent operation and will be in JIPMER from 6th July onwards for 10 to 14 days. As many of you know, patients need an attendant while staying in the hospital.

Auroville Health Services will take care of the night shift but for the day shifts, i.e. from **8am till 2 pm** and from **2pm till 8pm**, attendants are urgently needed from Wednesday 7 July onwards.

If you are ready to take over one shift, please call 9787626452 and give your name and preference of shift.

COVID BULLETIN

Dear Community, this is to inform you that the Honorable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has issued a press release extending the full lockdown until 12-07-2021 at 6-00 am.

There are, however, with effect from 5th June, some new relaxations all over the State, including extending the opening time of shops until 8 pm, allowing restaurants and eateries to function with 50 percent of seating capacity up to 8 pm, and guest houses, lodges and hotels to open. Below are some key features of the new guidelines. The translation of the text of the press release is available at this link.

Please remember to continue to apply all due precautions of wearing masks and maintaining distance when interacting with others and in public spaces/facilities, and regularly washing hands or using sanitizer.

*With best wishes to all,
The Working Committee
(Anu, Arun, Chali, Hemant,
Partha, Sauro, Srimoyi)*

House of Mother's Agenda

The Musty Darkness
(continued from last week)



So strange a thing that you never tire of questioning it. You never tire of breathing as long as you live, but this new breathing? There is no chemistry to teach it to you, no physics either — you have to live it, or outlive it. And what do all the laws of the world matter, since it can be lived? Yes, it is like an impossible growing a little more possible with every passing day — but this “little more” is so precarious.

And you clearly feel that it does not concern one particular specimen, it concerns everybody, it is a door opening for everybody, a new possible for everybody, and even if this particular specimen does not hold out in this great upheaval, it is triggered, and it will go on in search of other bodies — perhaps it is already seeking them.

In fact, it is the beginning of a new story of Evolution. For this particular specimen, it is now more than ten years since that other, incredibly dense breathing began, and the open Floodgate above has ceaselessly been pouring down its substance (what should we call it?), this awesome breath, crushing yet fluid.

Crushing probably because the vessel is too narrow, too rigid. Yet it is thoroughly filled, as a sponge might fill with liquid down to its smallest cells — but this “sponge” is very tough, at least in its skeleton and in what makes up a “form” separate from other forms. It does not vaporize, which is a miracle, yet it is constantly “on the verge” or “at the limit”.

But it would seem that the limit of the possible is pushed back a little farther every day — you wonder where it will stop, but it cannot stop! Unless you burst apart. And that energy is conscious, supremely conscious, unlike our brittle mechanical devices; It knows the “dose” you can bear — and the “bearable” dose is pushed back a little farther every day. What is going to happen?

The Mystery begins with that sort of obstacle or Rock beneath the feet (and perhaps all around), which is this Energy relentlessly pounds and hammers again and again, tirelessly, imperiously, almost savagely. Not that “That” cannot go through the Rock, the obstacle beneath, but it gets harder and harder as It goes down, and the Power and the Density increases with the Resistance — it does not tolerate resistance! But the operation takes place in measured doses. And where does it go?

We put words on it, we speak of “the Rock”, or “the dark foundation”, or the “dungeon” — or we speak of atoms. We also speak of “the Inconscient”, and that might be the best word, because all that is conscious instantly opens up, even these “mortal” cells drop their own cloak of death as if it did not exist.

And since the whole “operation”, so impossibly possible, goes on day after day, constantly increasing in compression and density, you say to yourself, “There must be an illusion somewhere.” There is an illusion in this very “physical”, in this very materiality.

But a far more powerful illusion than that which separates an aquatic from a land specimen. As a matter of fact, it is “something-which-separates” us from an unknown whole.

Mother often wondered about this “separation” or about the nature of this separation — which she painfully lived in her body. And one day in 1958, toward the beginning of the “operation”, when she still used to go out to the “Playground”, where every evening she gave a meditation to the gathered disciples, she started looking at that sort of collective and meditating inertia, so dark, and she wondered, “But what’s there in all these people?” And she saw the Inconscient:

“It was the MENTAL Inconscient... A special Inconscient — rigid, hard, resistant with all that the mind has brought into our consciousness. But it’s far worse, far worse than a purely material Inconscient: a ‘mentalized’ Inconscient, as it were. All this rigidity, this hardness, this narrowness, this fixity — a FIXITY — COMES FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE Mind in the creation. When the Mind was not manifested, the Inconscient was not like that! It was formless and had the plasticity of something formless — the plasticity has gone.

“It is a terrible image of the Mind’s action in the Inconscient.

“It has made the Inconscient aggressive — it was not so before. Aggressive, resistant, OBSTINATE. That was not there before.

“It was not a ‘primeval’ Inconscient, if I may say so. It was a mentalized Inconscient. With all that the mind has brought in in the way of OPPOSITION — of resistance, hardness, rigidity.

“It’s interesting. Because the starting point, precisely, was to look into the mental unconsciousness of these people. It was the MENTAL Inconscient. Well, the mental Inconscient REFUSES to change — which is not true of the other one; the other is nothing, it doesn’t exist, it is not organized in any way, it has no way of being, whereas this one is an ORGANIZED Inconscient — organized by the beginning of a mental influence. A hundred times worse!

“It is not the experience I had once before of the primeval Inconscient. The experience I had this time is of the Inconscient having undergone the Influence of the Mind in the creation. It has become... It has become a FAR greater obstacle than before. Before, it did not even have the power to resist, it had nothing, it was really unconscious. Now it is an Inconscient organized in its refusal to change!”

Yes, but...there remains an inexplicable “but”.

Somewhat as the Fish, after landing in an inexplicable “milieu”, might wonder, “But still, I need legs to walk in here!”

(to be continued next week)

Satprem. The Tragedy of the Earth – from Sophocles to Sri Aurobindo . The Victory Over Matter

Townhall Speaks

CORONAVIRUS: SUMMARY OF KEY FEATURES

Shops and activities that were allowed till 7 pm, may operate till 8 pm. This now includes clothing and jewelry stores.

Hotels and tea shops can function with 50% of customers.

Restaurants, bakeries and cafes are now allowed to serve dine-in customers at 50% capacity and while adhering to Covid-19 norms.

Amusement parks can re-open; however, a cap of 50% capacity would apply.

IT Offices can now operate with 50% attendance.

Hotels, lodges, guest houses and dormitories may function. Dormitory style accommodation may function with 50% occupancy.

Gyms, yoga centres and indoor physical activities are allowed to function with sufficient ventilation and with only 50% of venue capacity.

Cinema halls and theaters to stay shut.

Schools and colleges will continue to remain closed.

Inter-state private bus transport and international air travel except the ones allowed by the Centre remain prohibited.

Buses can operate within districts and between districts with the number of passengers capped at 50% of seat capacity. The TN government has removed the requirement of e-passes for inter-district travel.

Swimming pools, social and political meetings, entertainment, sports and cultural events are not allowed.

Weddings and funerals can take place in all districts. A maximum of 50 guests is allowed for a wedding function and not more than 20 people can take part in a funeral.

REMINDER OF ECONOMIC RELIEF FUND FOR AUROVILLE UNITS & SERVICES

Dear Community, the MERA team is happy to remind you that we have a starting grant of approximately 20 lakhs intended to support the fixed costs of Auroville units, services and guesthouses that are impacted by the economic crisis brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic and associated lockdown measures.

A generous, anonymous US-based donor came forward with this intention, and a proposal to double-match all donations raised via an [Auroville International USA fundraiser](#).

We invite all those based in Auroville/India who wish to participate to make a contribution to MERA via the Auroville Unity Fund, and all those based internationally to contribute directly via [AVI-USA's campaign](#).

Funding Criteria: For those units, services and guesthouses who wish to apply, below is more information on the funding criteria.

- All of Auroville's income-generating/self-supporting units (whether commercial or service units, or guest houses) are eligible for this relief grant.
- Funds will be applicable to cover the fixed costs of units (such as salaries, rent, electricity, internet, accounting charges etc.) As per the donor's request, at least 2/3 of funding received is to be used towards non-Aurovilian human resources (salaries, Employees Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance).
- All those who apply (and are eligible i.e are an income-generating commercial or service unit/guest house) will receive support in the form of a grant amount paid in early August. If the total amount requested (from all applicants) exceeds the total amount of funds available, an equal portion of each request will be granted, based on the human resource components of each request.
- A report of expenditure and a self-assessment of impact of the grant will be requested of all recipients in 3 months' time (November).

How to Apply: Please fill in an excel form with your monthly fixed costs, reserves and liabilities (you may find the form at MERA's Auronet page, or write to MERA) and send it to mera@auroville.org.in by July 17th latest. We aim to support units over a 3 months period.

Other Support Available: We take this opportunity to remind all those in an economic situation that makes it challenging to continue to provide Aurovilian Maintenances that these are eligible for Temporary Emergency Maintenances provided by the BCC. Please see [the latest TEM guidelines on BCC's Auronet page](#), and contact bccoffice@auroville.org.in to apply.

We would like to express our gratitude, on behalf of Auroville, to the donor providing the starting grant, AVI-USA coordinating the fundraiser, and all those who will participate.

*In community,
Team MERA
(Hemant, Rathinam, Stephan, Suryamayi)*

CITY SERVICES REPORT

Contributions and Payments June 2021

A more detailed report is available on the Auronet

Summary	Total
Buffer Opening Balance (BOB)	97,630,165
Monthly Contributions (Int. + Ext)	12,942,435
Total Contributions (OB+Monthly Inc)	110,572,600
Total Payments	18,293,757
CS Ending Balance (Includes BOB)	92,278,843
Monthly loss/gain	-5,351,322

Internal Contributions

Source	Total
Commercial Units	5,456,057
Services	5,731,698
Aurovilians, Newcomers, & Friends	1,754,680
Internal Total	12,942,435

Please see full report in Appendix 1
in the end of the issue.

AUROVILLE TELEPHONE SERVICE (AVTS): ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 2020 – MARCH 2021

Major work undertaken:

As the services provided by the contractor of BSNL were not satisfactory and their presence was irregular, BSNL leased their connection maintenance responsibility to contractor NaviTel in May 2020.

At present in our exchange, since long there have been no engineers to attend to complicated broadband faults and a night watchman to protect assets and run the generator while power goes off. As a platinum category client, the matter was taken to Principal General Manager, Puducherry BSNL and Chief General Manager, BSNL Tamil Nadu Telecom Circle. The response is not encouraging and besides this office is also under-staffed. The faults are not cleared by BSNL as per their guidelines.

AVTS has been managing to clear faults and keep up the distribution boxes with its two technicians. To restore the connections in a short period and to maintain pillars and distribution boxes in a reasonably good condition AVTS has had to spend its resources.

In September 2020, AVTS was appointed as BSNL Fibre Service Partner to provide fibre connections. We are pleased to share that, with Aurinoco technical support and collaboration; we are giving connections in the city area and other areas where the community fibre cable is laid.

This new initiative is progressing and our goal is to provide the best service to everyone in our community. We will get 40% of revenue share from BSNL for our fibre connections, and this amount will be transferred to Aurinoco FS a/c to install connection, maintain OLT, power backup, cable network and attend to faults.

Through 6 other BSNL franchises, connections are made to our far away communities – Sri Ma, Quiet, Promesse, Aurobrindavan, Sadhana Forest, Annapurna Farm, Red Earth Riding School and Botanical Garden.

This year 3 new copper cable connections, 112 fibre connections, 7 shifts, 21 broadband in copper connections and 101 plan changes were facilitated.

Initiatives for next year: AVTS will participate in July 2021 BSNL copper connections maintenance contract open bidding.

Request to the community: Copper cable is unable to support download above 6 – 8 Mbps speed and upload above 0.5 Mbps speed. To avoid frequent faults and to have high speed 100 Mbps – 300 Mbps, please collaborate to install community fiber cable in your premises.

Financial Details

Income (₹ Average Per Month)	
10% Group Billing discount	105416
AVTS Service charges	45634
TOTAL	151050
Expenses (₹ Average Per Month)	
Employee costs	134185
Administration and Maintenance of BSNL infrastructure cost	19337
TOTAL	153522
DEFICIT	2472

CALL FOR FEEDBACK FOR THE LAND BOARD NOMINEES

From RAS: Dear Community, this is a friendly reminder to share constructive feedback on nominees (<https://bit.ly/3dOQ1KD>) who stepped forward to serve in the Land Board.

HOW

Please find the profiles of candidates and fill in a feedback form here: <https://www.ras-auroville.org/land-board-nominations-2021>. Feedback period will run until Sunday 11th July, 2021.

Please Note: no unsigned or anonymous feedback will be accepted by the Residents' Assembly Service (RAS). Only factual, either general or directly work related, feedback will be considered.

The RAS then sends the compiled feedback to the Council and Working Committee (Selection of new members of the Land Board, 2021 – <https://bit.ly/2UQdFjl>).

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact the Residents' Assembly Service at raservice@auroville.org.in. The below statistics on the Land Board nomination process are published following a request from some concerned residents.

Total number of participants: 48 (comprising nominators and those who nominated themselves).

Nominated by others: 45; of whom:

- 37 declined their nominations or did not respond;
- 8 accepted their nominations.

Self-nominated: 9.

Subsequently the final list of nominees for the Land Board selection includes 17 names (<https://bit.ly/3dOQ1KD>).

We would like to thank the community for participation and also kindly remind to check with potential candidates for future selection processes if they are willing to serve on the group(s) before nominating them and ask them to submit their nomination forms.

UPDATE FROM AUROVILLE COUNCIL

Dear Community, thanks for being patient and providing the Council members sufficient time to recover from Covid. Our meetings for the past months have been online.

Now the silent presence keepers are back for AVC usual meetings and we are fully functional to serve. Taking this opportunity, we would like to convey to the community that the Land Board selection, TDC selection & Matrimandir executives selection processes are the priorities on our table. The FAMC mandate review, the Appeal Process review & the steps for finalising the Due Diligence policy are being looked into.

With RAS & Wcom members we are working on the RA decision-making process. Appeals & arbitrations are ongoing and we are interacting with respective residents to resolve interpersonal conflicts.

We would like anyone with proposals, requests and remarks to openly communicate with us by email at avcouncil@auroville.org.in.

Don't forget to give your feedback regarding our forum on internal organization.

*At Her service,
Auroville Council*

OPEN CALL FOR NEW EXECUTIVES FOR SOLAR KITCHEN

From FAMC: Dear community, this is an open call for those interested to serve as part of a new executive team at the Solar Kitchen. If you would like to express your interest for this important service, there are two ways to do so:

- Online by completing the application form in the following [link](#) or via AuroNet: <https://auroville.org.in/article/85456>:
- Or by coming to the FAMC office in the mornings from 10:30 am to 12 noon. The FAMC admin team of Balaji and Mathan will help you to complete the form online.

The last day to apply is the 18th of July.

Forms will not be accepted after the 18th of July. If you think someone else is suitable for this important responsibility, please contact the person directly and ask him/her to complete the form by 18th of July. The selection process will be held by the FAMC, in consultation with the relevant stakeholders and working groups. The FAMC intends to complete the selection of the new executive team by the 1st of August 2021. We hope that the Solar Kitchen will be able to reopen by the 15th of August 2021.

The new executives will be appointed for a period of 3 years, and after a review by the FAMC in collaboration with the BCC their appointment can be extended.

Solar Kitchen new management parameters

- The Solar Kitchen will operate with an annual budget agreed by the BCC and the Solar Kitchen executives.
- The Solar Kitchen should serve at least two meals a day (lunch and dinner), every day.
- The serving of breakfast in the kitchen is also highly encouraged. Meals should be balanced nutritionally and appealing to a wide variety of tastes.
- An online booking system for guests should be developed, where guests must book in advance. The number of guests ideally should not exceed 10% of the total booking capacity of the kitchen per meal.
- The main tasks to run the Solar Kitchen should be undertaken primarily by Aurovilians, Newcomers and volunteers. A mix of genders, ages, and backgrounds is encouraged.

Executives' roles and responsibilities

It is planned that the following areas of management will be led by one executive respectively. Larger decisions will be taken by the executive team as a whole. In case there is no consensus among them, the BCC may be called for assistance.

1. **Procurement:** Procurement of materials, equipment and produce. In the procurement of produce, priority will be given to Auroville farm produce. The rest of the items should be procured in bulk, in collaboration with other main buyers in Auroville (PTPS, PTDC, HERS, etc.).
2. **Kitchen management:** Including menu design and kitchen hygiene. Menu design based on seasonal and local produce, balanced nutritionally and appealing to a wide variety of tastes. Food hygiene standards to be followed strictly, in collaboration with Auroville Health Services and Sante when necessary.
3. **Administration:** Office administration, including accounts. Expenses and collections will be done in collaboration with the BCC. The BCC will publish a monthly report of Solar Kitchen finances in collaboration with the executives.
4. **Campus maintenance:** Including infrastructure, equipment, grounds, security, etc., in collaboration with other occupants and users of the Prosperity area (PTDC, Nandini, Food link, etc.)

Sincerely, FAMC(Amy, Angelo, Jonas, Lisa, Marc, Palani, Ranjith and Stephan)

FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE – ES # 089

Dated: 10-07-2021

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 Aurovillian in writing to entryservice@auroville.org.in.

We thank you in advance.

NEWCOMER ANNOUNCED:

Aurore GALARZA Dmitrii SEMENOV



- **Aurore GALARZA** (French) staying in Surrender and working at Botanical Garden
- **Dmitrii SEMENOV (aka Dimitriy)** (Russian) staying in Maitreya I and working at Matrimandir

AUROVILIAN ANNOUNCED:

Anbazhagan VEERAPPAN Arul NARAYANA-SAMY Kshitij BHATT Mohamed Ismail JALEEL



- **Anbazhagan VEERAPPAN** (Indian) staying in Udavi Staff Quarters and working at Auroville Institute of Applied Technology (AIAT)
- **Arul NARAYANASAMY** (Indian) staying in Aspiration Field and working at Pitchandikulam
- **Kshitij BHATT** (Indian) staying in Kalpana and working at Unity Pavilion
- **Mohamed Ismail JALEEL** (Indian) staying in Road Service Caretaker House and working at Auroville Road Service

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 Aurovillian once his/her name has been confirmed by The Admission Committee (aka the Entry Board) after following due process.

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

A confirmed Aurovillian 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.

Community News

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Table service resumes

From Monday July 5th Cafeteria is open again for table service. Enjoy!

Visitors Centre Cafeteria Team



Aurovelo Cafe: Our cafe is open

Come and enjoy your coffee, a homemade cake or your lunch at our newly opened cafe! From Mon – Sat, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Wednesday and Friday we cook an Indian meal (Palak Paneer and Aloo Paratha). You can book a meal at 0413 2622380.

I am Francis Malan from Citadine

Please note my new phone number: +919489021288

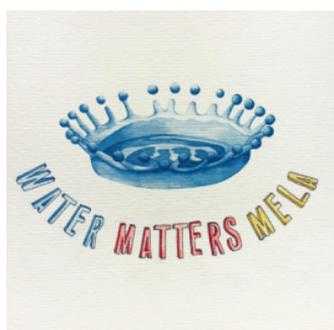
Farmer's market on Saturday, 17th July

From Farm Group Coordination Team: Dear community, we are happy to announce that we would be resuming the farmer's market on Saturday, 17th July. It will be held on the ground opposite the Solar Kitchen complex between 9:30 to 12:00 am.

We hope it will be a great opportunity to connect with local produce and the farmers that grow it. The farmers will be bringing in fresh vegetables, fruits, grains, dairy, eggs and other processed items. Don't forget to bring your bags and containers.

We hope you all will be there. We remind you that only Pour Tous account and Aurocard transactions can be made.

Water Matters Mela in September



As we approach the Water Matters Mela in September, we invite enthusiastic participation in the following projects:

- To choreograph a dance performance on the theme of the water cycle.
- To participate in a 5 part mural depicting the last 50 years of "water and the village" in 10 year stages.
- To help design a rain gauge, if possible from recycled materials, one that can be marketed at the mela.
- To build a water-based playground for children.
- A zany physical show of the basic principles of water.

Please direct all enquiries to

watermattersmela@googlegroups.com

Kirtan Singing from our hearts

with Upahar & friends: Welcome to rejoice in this sacred circle of celebrating divinity of all life through singing our hearts open. On Tuesday, 13th July, at 5 – 6.30pm, in Svedame, Butterfly Barn.

Aurofilm MASTER CLASS

Saturday 10 July, 4:30 – 7.30 pm at Aurofilm, Kalabhoomi (next to CRIPA)

If you like to discuss, share and learn more about films and Cinema, we invite you to our Master Class! Welcome to the 11th chapter with Prof. Sehdev Kumar presenting:

"WOMAN IN THE DUNES" (suna no onna, Japon, 1964)

Directed by Hiroshi Teshigahara, Japan, 1964. With: Eiji Okada and Kyōko Kishida

Overview: One of the most existentially challenging and spiritually provocative work of art, Hiroshi Teshigahara's Woman in the Dunes remains forever open to myriad debates and interpretations.

Created in the foreshadow of the 'Theatre of the Absurd' and amongst daunting insights and discoveries in the sciences, and in the aftermath of brutal rise and humiliating fall of Japan, this exquisite film, based on Kobo Abe's much celebrated novel, is both at once tantalizingly realistic and allegorical.

Woman in the Dunes resonates with many of the questions raised in the Ancient Greek mytho Sisyphus, stated afresh during the war by Albert Camus, who unlike many other existential philosophers, insisted that "one must imagine Sisyphus happy."

Sehdev Kumar, professor emeritus in Canada, and a historian of science and cinema, and the author of "7000 Million Degrees of Freedom", presents and discusses the cultural and philosophical underpinnings of this haunting film.

After the screening, all are invited to participate in an open discussion about the film.

Film in its Original Japanese version with Engl. Subtitles, duration: 2h.17 min.- Discussion in English.

We follow the Covid-19 SOP. For your information, the Aurofilm building is half open-air. Please carry your torch light.

LOOKING FOR

Looking for a job I am Krishnamoorthy from AV Sangamam Community and I am looking for a job. Please contact me if you have any job openings. Phone: :+918124330450

Looking for a house/room to stay I am Santosh Jadhav, Aurovilian, 47 years old, single, working at Farewell and doing an apprenticeship at Happy Glass Studio. I have been in Auroville since 2010. Currently I am staying in Centre Field and I am looking for a house/room to stay. Contact: 9585897677, santoshjadhav@auroville.org.in

Second hand boogie board for my daughters Avigail and Roni. If you have one your kid is not using any more we will be very happy to have it. We can give some contribution if needed. Please contact: osnat@auroville.org.in

House sitting opportunities Auroville Language Lab has some long-term volunteers looking for long-term house-sitting opportunities. They are all very responsible people who will take care of your house, pets, garden, etc, with commitment. The Lab will stand guarantee for them.

Both short-term & long-term house-sitting opportunities are welcome. Also, if you have any possibility of an independent room with an attached bathroom and a small kitchenette, or know anyone who does, please let us know. Contributions are, of course, possible. Contact: info@aurovillelanguagelab.org, ph. 2623661

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

AuroYali, a unit for construction services

is hiring a person to take care of scheduling client meetings, manage the procurement of materials and coordinate with all site engineers to address their needs. Interested person needs to apply by email: auroyali@auroville.org.in

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Family constellation workshop with Moghan

Saturday 17th of July 9 am to 6 pm at Creativity Hall of Light.
Contact: moghan@auroville.org.in Phone: 9751110486

Unlocking your Happiness Keys to de-stress: Join Hamish, Fif and other MeDiClowns for an interactive fun-shop filled with laughter, joy and self-reflection that will leave you stress-free and rejuvenated!

Date: Saturday and Sunday, 10th and 11th July 2021
Time: 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Platform: Zoom. Check us out at www.mediclownacademy.org

Please contact info@mediclownacademy.org or WhatsApp: +91 9489214408 for registrations.

Art Sessions for July 2021

Center for Research Education Experience in Visual Arts

- Watercolor Landscape painting with A.Sathya on Mon 5-7pm
- Painting the Music with Sangarabranan on Wed 9:30-11:30am
- Leaf me Alone with Bhavyo on Thur 3:30-5:30pm
- Drawing with Audrey on Fri 9:30-11:30am.
- Figurative Life Drawing with Audrey on Sat 9-11am.

Welcome to "Open Studio". It provides all kinds of art materials and space to work on your own exploration of visual art. Monday to Friday 9:30am-4:30pm.

Contact: Audrey 0413-2622641, Sathya 9486145072.
creeva@auroville.org.in Creeva Studio, Creativity, Auroville.

Aikido, Children classes starting on Monday, 12 July



Auroville Aikido – School Year 2021-22 – Student's Registration

Dear parents and students, dear school coordinators,

We are happy to announce the re-starting of our Children Aikido classes for the new school year starting, 12th July 2021.

We therefore wish you to please share the information about these regular martial art classes to the young students -age group from 8-9 to 14/15- so they could choose to include this physical activity in the coming school year.

Classes take place at the (well ventilated :-)) Auroville Budokan, Dehashakti, from 4.30 to 5.30 pm, thrice a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Students are requested to attend a least 2 classes weekly for understanding and progress.

They should arrive 10-15 minutes before the class starts in order to prepare themselves (change, drink/pee, wash their feet...) therefore, kindly check with other earlier activity so they can arrive on time. Health Fund or other individual insurance is required for all. Reasonable one time annual contribution required.

For further information and registration, kindly e-mail to budokan@auroville.org.in, indicating the name of the child, his/her age and name of the school attended if applicable.

- Please note that many girl students attend our classes as Aikido is an efficient self-defence practice that does not involve muscular strength nor violence; it develops personal confidence on all levels and is a great benefit for health. As such, it can be practiced by all.

Youth and adults are most welcome to contact us for info on adult classes!

Looking forward to hear from you,

Warm regards,

Cristo and Surya

Tamil Language Lessons

- Spoken Tamil Lessons

Time: Mondays and Wednesdays between 4:00-5:00pm.

- Tamil Grammar Lessons for Aurovilian Children

Time: Mondays and Thursdays between 11:30 to 12:30

Venue: Bharat Nivas

Contact: Shankar, 8940193339

shankar@auroville.org.in

AVAILABLE

Two nice hut houses located in the north green belt area near Nine Palms. Contact: Balu from Azhagu Bhoomi, phone: 9786807071 or email: baluveera.av@gmail.com.

35 sqm of office space From 1st August 21 onward there will be 35 sqm of office space available in the Aurosarjan Complex, Auroshilpam. Contact Stephan: stephan@auroville.org.in

Beautiful thick, rough, cotton colourful fabric from Sri Lanka (Barefoot, Colombo). 3 pieces of 130cm X 250cm each. Unused and has little metal rings on the back-side that can be easily removed. Can be used as bed cover or curtains. If interested, please contact Stefan of Sanjana on WhatsApp +919650826622.

Brand new helmet Wrangler, grey colour, glossy pearl finish and used treadmill: In good condition, used by a single user, well maintained under regular maintenance. Contact vinodhini@auroville.org.in, WhatsApp only 9442562304.

Barely used bicycle for sale. Medium size frame. 18,000 rupees. Please contact 9136069185 via WhatsApp or Signal for more info.

Nikon D3200 DSLR camera Contact Chloe if interested Phone: 9498967023 or 8111094202.

Car: Suzuki-Zen for rent. Contact: Prem Shakti Whatsapp 9489244823

Didgeridoo & stroller for a toddler for sale. Contact: Prem Shakti Whatsapp 9489244823.

Karcher for steam cleaning floors and windows available @ 60 % of purchase price, Karcher SC1020 for steam cleaning + extra accessory for windows. Works very well, used 112-15 times maximum (we use more traditional tools now, that's why we want to sell it). Contact: Yvelise and Emanuele, 2623407 (8 am to 6 pm) or yvelise@auroville.org.in

Chinese cupping set available (health purpose): Hansol professional cupping set of 17 Cups (material of the cups is sturdy plastic and they come with an extension tube). You can do some cupping for your neck, shoulders and back without any help. Used 7-8 times, in excellent condition. Contribution requested. Contact: Yvelise and Emanuele, 2623407 (8 am to 6 pm) or yvelise@auroville.org.in



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TUESDAY 5PM

FOR THE ISSUE TO BE PUBLISHED THAT SATURDAY (THOUGH THE DIGITAL VERSION GENERALLY GOES OUT ON THURSDAY)

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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 5pm. Please do your best to submit copy that is ready for printing (i.e. Word shows you typos, extra spaces, punctuation errors, etc – don't make us do all the work!).

We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thurs AM due to work pressure.

Articles for the Notes section should ideally be no longer than 500 words.

Visiting hours: Hit or Miss. Call first or email for appointment.

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News & Notes



We are in the process of rebuilding our **Regular Events Announcements** page which will be published as before once a Month. If you have a regular event, you'd like to post please send us an email

N&N Team

APPENDIX 1

CITY SERVICES

Contributions and Payments June 2021

A more detailed report is available on the Auronet

Summary	Total
Buffer Opening Balance (BOB)	97,630,165
Monthly Contributions (Int. + Ext)	12,942,435
Total Contributions (OB+Monthly Inc)	110,572,600
Total Payments	18,293,757
CS Ending Balance (Includes BOB)	92,278,843
Monthly loss/gain	-5,351,322

Internal Contributions

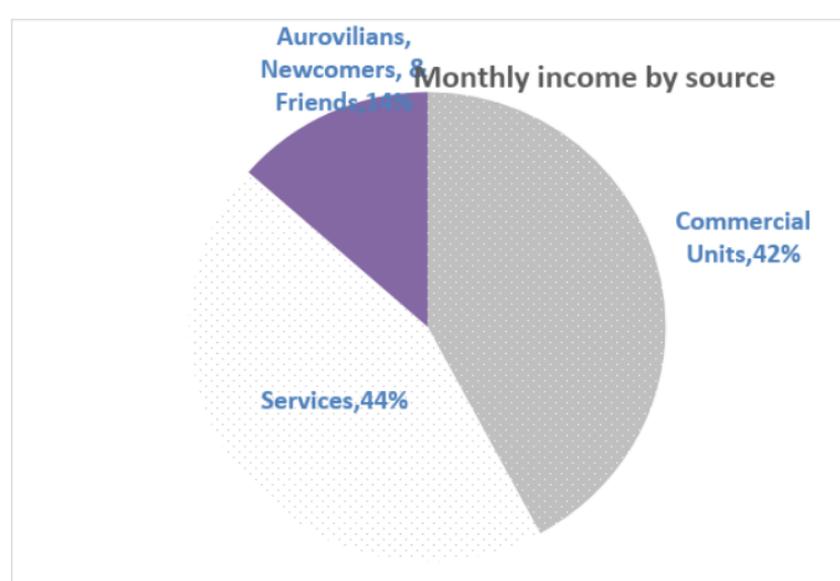
Source	Total
Commercial Units	5,456,057
Services	5,731,698
Aurovilians, Newcomers, & Friends	1,754,680
Internal Total	12,942,435

External Contributions

Government of India for SAIER	-
Government of India for Other	-
Other Contribution	-
Project Contributions	-
Foreign Contributions	-
External Total	-

City Services Payment

Heading	Total Payments
Education	3,402,744
Social Support	3,116,599
Children & Youth	1,951,777
Organization	1,657,709
Village Education	1,434,840
Health	1,333,900
Forests	1,212,261
Prosperity Services	666,106
Security	663,461
Culture & Sports	521,639
Farms	499,089
Roads, Cycle Paths, & Transport	456,164
Outreach	361,910
Land	359,324
Matrimandir	178,930
Contingency	159,558
City Planning	139,017
Housing	127,692
Utilities	33,201
Projects	17,836
Total	18,293,757



Contribution Details

“Total in 33%” are contributions that are counted toward calculating the 33% minimum net profit contribution to City Services.

“Total Contributions” includes specified contributions that are not counted as part of the 33% minimum net profit contribution to City Services.

Commercial Unit	Total in 33%	Total Contribution
Sunlit Future	1,013,880	1,013,880
Maroma	406,940	422,940
Pitchandikul Forest Cons.	398,738	398,738
Eco Femme	226,025	226,025
The Colors Of Nature	207,940	207,940
Tanto	175,420	185,420
Svaram	174,290	174,290
La Ferme Cheese	132,071	132,071
Aureka	87,760	89,760
AV Bakery	86,725	86,725
Yuvabe	86,306	86,306
Varuna To Com: Rs.16.25lak	83,365	133,365
Miniature	70,820	70,820
Cynergy	67,350	67,350
Aurospirul	60,410	61,410
Auromics	51,230	60,230
C3Stream Land Designs	50,884	50,884
Hers	45,410	45,410
Mancala	38,470	38,470
Auroville Energy Products	33,470	33,470
Shradanjali	31,940	31,940
ASSA/SEONGSIL	28,394	28,394
ADPS (Aurelec)	28,220	28,220
AV Online Store	27,760	27,760
Coffee Ideas	26,940	26,940
MG Ecoduties	26,940	26,940
AV Consulting	26,025	26,525
Kallialay Surf School	24,290	24,290
EV Future	21,940	21,940
Aurorachana	20,940	22,940
Nowana	20,820	20,820
Capability	20,410	20,410
Painting Service	18,470	18,470
Aurinoco Systems	17,350	17,350
Earth Institute	17,350	17,350
AVA-Wasteless	17,350	17,350
Aurodent	17,350	17,350
Gastronomica	17,350	17,350
Flame	16,940	17,940
Sciro Pizza	16,940	16,940
Mereville Trust	16,940	16,940
Right Path Café (VC Café)	15,615	16,115
ASSA-Ilion	15,615	15,615
DUSTUDIO	13,880	13,880
Naturellement	13,880	13,880
Progress Landscape	13,880	14,380
Sound Wizard	13,880	17,380
AFA-Aurora	13,880	13,880
Tree Care	13,880	13,880
Worktree	13,880	13,880
Tree House Community	13,880	13,880
Avitra	13,410	26,410
Eco Pro	13,410	13,410
Auroville Papers	12,145	16,345
Magica	11,410	11,410
Holistic	10,410	10,410
New Dawn Carpentry	10,410	10,410
Sumark	10,410	10,410
Imago	10,410	10,410
M&M Cheese	10,410	10,410
Café 73	10,410	10,410
ASSA-Wordsmithery	9,096	9,096
AAS-Mona	8,675	8,675
Aqua Dyn Research	8,470	8,470
Nala Builders	8,440	8,440
H & S Design	8,355	8,355
Arthena	6,940	6,940
Artisan Revolution	6,940	6,940
Auroyali Production	6,940	6,940
Aurosoya	6,940	7,140
CSR-AV Design Consultants	6,940	6,940
Cadd Studio	6,940	11,540
Comfort Design	6,940	6,940
Conscious Living	6,940	11,940
Deepam Candles	6,940	6,940
Eutecne	6,940	6,940
Boutique Visitors Center	6,940	6,940
La Terrace	6,940	506,940
Mahasaraswathi Constr.	6,940	6,940
Mandala Pottery	6,940	9,440
Mantra	6,940	6,940
AVA-Mia Studio	6,940	6,940
Mira Computers	6,940	6,940
Mitra Auroville	6,940	6,940
Mukti Accounting	6,940	6,940
Omega	6,940	7,190
PAPUI AND SOMETHING	6,940	6,940
Pragati Construction	6,940	6,940

Tapasya Design Studio	6,940	6,940
Filaure	6,940	6,940
Natura	6,940	6,940
Auro Lakshimi Construct.	6,940	6,940
AVA-150 DPI	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Aire	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Alter Eco	6,940	6,940
AFA-Auro Amirtham	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Naham Consulting	6,940	6,940
The Neem Tree	6,940	6,940
Perceptive Eye	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Raman Constructions	6,940	6,940
School for sust. Managem.	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Studio One	6,940	6,940
AVA-Spirit of Leadership	6,940	6,940
AVA-Centre D'art	6,940	6,940
AFA-Masala Project	6,940	6,940
AVA-Procultura	6,940	6,940
Lumiere	6,940	6,940
La Maison Boutique	6,470	6,470
Pottery Sipapu	5,205	5,205
LEAD-Integral Learning Cen	5,205	5,205
Joy Postcards	3,770	3,770
Abacus Accounting	3,470	3,470
Atmarati Architects	3,470	3,470
Auroline	3,470	3,470
Aurore	3,470	3,470
AAS-Yatharth	3,470	3,470
AV Language Lab	3,470	3,470
Auroville Press Publishers	3,470	3,470
Auroville Printers	3,470	3,470
Roads in Construction	3,470	3,470
Auzolan	3,470	3,470
Bon	3,470	5,470
Catami/Dreamers Coffee	3,470	3,470
Discovery	3,470	3,470
Earth & Us	3,470	3,470
Ecoteco Pools	3,470	3,470
Freeland	3,470	3,470
Gecko!	3,470	3,470
Kottakarai Food Processing	3,470	3,470
Light Fish	3,470	3,470
Linea Dental	3,470	3,470
New Creation Corner Frites	3,470	3,470
New School Crafts	3,470	3,470
Pitchandikulam	3,470	3,470
Prakrit	3,470	3,470
Prisma	3,470	3,470
Sagarmatha	3,470	3,470
Sunshine Music	3,470	3,470
To be Two (Auromode)	3,470	3,470
Upasana	3,470	3,470
White ant studio	3,470	3,470
AVA-AF Deko	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Artomic	3,470	3,470
AVA-Aurosystemica	3,470	3,470
AVA-Blossoms	3,470	3,470
AVA-Brainfever Media Pro.	3,470	3,470
AFA-Essence of Nature	3,470	3,470
AVA-Flametree Web Softw.	3,470	3,470
AVA-Food Laboratory	3,470	3,470
AVA-Hemplanet	3,470	3,470
AVA-Inscapes	3,470	3,470
AFA-Joy Health Food	3,470	3,470
AFA-Natures Gift	3,470	3,470
AVA-Matrigold	3,470	3,470
OK Upcycling Studio	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Rocking Bubbles	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Softnet	3,470	3,470
AFA-Solitude Lunch	3,470	3,470
Studio Eri	3,470	3,470
AVA-Vikram Devatha	3,470	3,470
Functional Forms	3,470	3,470
Hands For Earth	3,470	3,470
Bamboo Center Auroville	3,470	3,470
Taboo	3,470	3,470
Auro Bacio	3,470	3,470
AVA-Centre de Soins Natur	3,470	3,470
AVA-Happy Art Glass Studi	3,470	3,470
Iruita Dreams	3,470	3,470
AVARTS-Aavartan Studio	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-Melting Spot	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-BHU Nausheen	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-Medi Clown	3,470	3,470
LEAD-IPK Activities	3,470	3,470
Quantum Mech Training	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-Valentina Beatriz	3,470	3,470
MO BETTA	3,470	3,470
AVA-Natraj	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Unitary	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Active Nature Project	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Bhakti Mills	3,470	3,470
Eco Fare	3,470	3,470
ASSA-Nirami	3,470	3,470
AVA-Octo Studio	3,470	3,470
AVA-LuMa	3,470	3,470
MAT JIP	3,470	3,470
AVARTS/CRYSTALART&CRA	3,470	3,470
Ganesh Bakery	3,000	3,000
ASSA-Selvam Multip.Team	3,000	3,000
LEAD/AV BUDOKAN	2,305	2,305
Unity Transport Service	2,000	2,000
Aurosarjan Trust	2,000	12,500
Bhojanam	1,735	1,735
AVA-Cocoon	1,735	1,735
AVA-Sarvam Computer	1,735	1,735

Stone Age Handicraft	1,000	1,000
AVA-Oceans	1,000	1,000
Kola Mandala	899	899
LEAD-Hall of Light	304	304
Inside India	–	350
Boutique D`Av Pondy	–	500
Naturally Auroville	–	3,000
ASSA-Eternal	–	1,500
Akriti Construction	(30,000)	(30,000)
Total	4,812,457	5,456,057
Percent of Total	88%	100%

Service	Total in 20%	Total Contribution
Isai Ambalam GH	40,218	40,218
SERENDIPITY COLLEC-TION	35,428	35,428
Afsanah GH	32,049	32,849
Arka GH	31,734	31,734
Needam GH	27,900	27,900
Swagatham GH	22,721	22,721
EUU – Sonja & Umberto GH	18,370	18,370
Center GH	17,350	21,150
Gaia’s Garden GH	17,089	17,089
Samasti GH	14,320	14,320
EUU Siddhartha Forest GH	13,400	13,400
SAILER-Mitra GH	12,488	12,488
Aspiration GH	11,772	11,772
EUU – Transformation GH	11,200	11,200
New Creation GH	9,000	9,000
Tanto GH (Rs.48,585)	6,940	6,940
Verite GH	6,940	6,940
EUU Moongate GH	6,940	6,940
EUU-Rossella GH	4,880	4,880
EUU-Harsha GH	4,400	4,400
EUU-Suganya GH	3,600	3,600
Atithi Griha GH	3,470	3,470
EUU – Creativity GH	3,470	3,470
EUU – Douceur GH	3,470	3,470
FRM-Buddha Garden Coll.	3,470	3,470
EUU-Ramachandran GH	3,000	3,000
Reve GH	2,480	2,480
EUU-Angel GH	2,000	2,000
EUU-Nandhanam GH	2,000	2,000
Savitri Bhavan Hostel	1,735	1,735
SAILER-Youth Camp GH	1,420	1,420
International House	1,200	1,200
EUU – Victor and Galina GH	640	640
Subtotal	377,094	381,694
Net Additional Guest Contr.	293,583	293,583
Total	670,677	675,277

Service	Total	Total Contribution
Financial Services	4,579,240	4,599,980
Botanical Garden	60,725	60,725
CSR	31,230	31,230
CS-Working Committee	24,290	24,290
Quiet Healing Centre	20,820	21,820
Birth Center	13,880	13,880
Visitor Center	12,145	12,145
SAILER – Foreign	6,940	6,940
Auroville Video Production	6,940	6,940
Citadine	6,940	6,940
Korean Pavillion	6,940	6,940
Thamarai	5,205	5,205
ACUR	3,470	3,470
Electrical Services	3,470	3,470
Telephone Service	3,470	3,470
AWS/Water supply	3,470	3,470
AV Arts Service	3,470	3,470
New Era Secondary School	3,470	3,470
Sewa	3,470	3,470
La Piscine	3,470	3,470
Red Earth Riding School	3,470	3,470
SAILER-Supportive Learning	3,470	3,470
Anntara	3,470	3,470
FRM-Aurogreen Farm	3,470	3,470
FRM-Solitude Farm	3,470	3,470
ABC	1,735	1,735
FRM-Ayarpaadi	1,735	1,735
Roads Service Collection	–	210,806
Total	4,823,875	5,056,421

Individual Contributions Details

Source	Total	Total Contribution
School Participation	115,015	115,015
Aurovilian	1,422,300	1,422,300
Newcomer	41,000	41,000
Friends of AV	176,365	176,365
Total	1,754,680	1,754,680