

News & Notes

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The Ponder Corner

To be able to do anything with equanimity is the principle of Karmayoga,
and to do with joy because it is done for the Mother
is the true psychic and vital condition in this yoga.

Sri Aurobindo
Letters On Yoga, p.680

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House of Mother's Agenda

The Well of Honey

Five thousand years ago, that is some three thousand years before our era, a remarkable Sage, who wrote like a deluge and had also (!) composed the Mahabharata, decided to engrave on birch bark what the Vedic Rishis had been singing for several millennia before him. He was called Vyasa — an illegitimate child, but certainly legitimate for the gods of inspiration. (Incidentally, the Greeks called the Mother of Muses "Mnemosyne," or Memory, that prodigious memory of the soul, which remembers... everything, even the future — another of our missing explorations.)

Those are the first written texts of those songsters who listened to the Great Rhythm of the worlds and told like a spell what throbbed everywhere, in beasts as in stones, as in heavens — that great Memory of the world unfolding toward its Goal already here. Those Hymns rhythmized their discoveries of this immense life that hid so many mysteries, they were repeated like incantations, to entrap, as it were, or humanize, materialize in our human way, those great creative forces, those powers that fashion our own powers.

It was a great March of discovery and conquest of what we are. Words were not the prison they have become, dry and fossilized in a dictionary, they had a creative power in our matter and over our matter — and that may be the next Music of our species when it has rediscovered its own powers...

○ divine Music. Sri Aurobindo had long listened to those vibrating Hymns in which he found what his body lived, what our next bodies freed from their slavery will perhaps live, and he said in his *Secret of the Veda*: "The word for the Vedic Rishi is still a living thing, a thing of power, creative, formative. It is not yet a conventional symbol for an idea, but itself the parent and former of ideas..."

For in the first state of language the word is as living or even a more living force than its idea; sound determines sense. In its last state the positions have been reversed; the idea becomes all-important, the sound secondary." It was still an Age of the creative Word, of a Music creative of its own forms.

A sound that kneads Matter.

*The music born in Matter's silences
Plucked nude out of the Ineffable's fathomlessness
The meaning that it had held but could not voice.*

Thus words and images in the Vedas are repeated like incantations — now closed to us, unfortunately, but which leave a meaning, an "idea" on our shrunken scale, if we are capable of leaping above a few intellectual walls. And we are struck by their constant preoccupation with man's power over life, and first of all this Fire, Agni:

*He has kindled the Flame and he conquers...
For him the human path and the divine
meet in one
and both are conquered...
That which is immortal in mortals
and possessed of the truth,
is a god and established inwardly
as an energy working out in our divine powers.*

And always that Goal which is joy and Bliss:

*○ Flame, thou foundest the mortal
in a supreme immortality...
thou createst divine bliss and human joy.*

The Rishis even said:

He travels with the mass of his might.

And above all, that preoccupation with the mystery of Matter, as though they already knew that there lies the final secret of this long human journey. For they knew that the ONE, the creator, the father of men, is a seed that cannot but produce its own tree and deliver its own creative miracle in all that is:

*Rescue thy father... thy father
who becomes thy son and bears thee,
○ son of Force.*

(to be continued next week)

Satprem. The Tragedy of the Earth – from Sophocles to Sri Aurobindo. Destiny's Turning Point



Townhall Speaks

COVID LOCKDOWN EXTENDED

Dear Community, this is to inform you that the Honorable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has issued a press release on 28 September extending the lockdown until 31 October 2021 at 6.00 am, and announcing that schools may reopen for 1st to 8th grades from the 1st of November. 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)*

FAMC ANNOUNCEMENT: REVIEW DONE ON ALLEGATIONS BY SOME AUROVILIANS WORKING AT SOLAR KITCHEN

Dear community, on 19 May of this year we received a list of concerns from some Aurovilians working at Solar Kitchen. Some of the concerns prompted us to request a review. Koodam identified 3 Aurovilians from the pool of arbiters. The team of Alok Aurovilian, Divya K., and Tomas took up the task in early June. We received their report recently and had a meeting with them as well.

Their 18 page report (including 3 Annexes) is attached for you to read and reflect upon. ([In Auronet](#))

We reviewed and discussed the report and have a few key observations:

The main issue is that of communication: it has broken down. The team of Aurovilians working at Solar Kitchen did not meet regularly, nor take decisions together.

Some statements are difficult to confirm or deny. For example, with regards to the milk being provided primarily from one source only, one deciding factor was about the milk quality; it became a matter of taste.

We were surprised to read about the Special Allowance given monthly in cash to four Aurovilians.

We are not convinced that Sumathi's supportive role justified a small monthly stipend.

Cash transactions need to stop entirely.

While the review team concluded "...there is no indication of gross mismanagement by SK executives," we found the Special Allowance given monthly to four Aurovilians showed a lack of good judgement for a community kitchen which was running regularly in considerable minus for many months. Also, we understand the difficulties of working together in a high pressure situation such as Solar Kitchen however, from our point of view, executives are called to be leaders and are expected to foster harmony in the workplace.

We have noted the key recommendations in the report. The current support group to the Solar Kitchen are encouraged to take time to reflect on them, with the full Solar Kitchen team.

We want to thank everyone who has served at Solar Kitchen, and who continue to do so, for their offering to us all. We also are grateful for the work of Divya, Tomas, and Alok. We appreciate the care, energy, and time that the team gave to this review. We found their report clear, concise, and informative.

*Regards, FAMC
(members are: Amy, Angelo, Jonas, Lisa, Marc, Palani, Ranjith, Stephan)*

REMINDER – OPEN CALL – FORMER IMAGINATION BUILDING – FIRST FLOOR AVAILABLE

As earlier announced...

Dear Aurovilians, we would like to announce an open call for proposals to take responsibility for the first floor of the former Imagination building in the Imagination campus near Alankuppam. Some particulars: 'plinth area' 160.18 sq meters including a generous uncovered terrace; renovations are needed in the amount of about Rs. 4 lakhs; to be transferred against payment (income-generating entity) or donation (housing utilization) of Rs. 26 lakhs.

Proposals may be for a residential or income-generating purpose. Preference will be given to income-generating proposals as there is industry on the ground floor premises. In your income-generating proposal please include the name of the project, all contact details, funding source(s), the aims and objectives, and a three year start-up and growth plan ('business plan' including indications of market, customers, sales, operations, investments, financial business analysis, etc.). If you are interested in creating a residence in this location, please send us your 'note of intention' for the same.

Our intention is to offer an equal opportunity to anyone who is looking to take responsibility for this asset, hence our open call to the community.

If you are interested please send an email to us at ad-minfamc@auroville.org.in no later than 15 October with the subject "Former Imagination building". We will acknowledge your email and share with you the evaluation report. We can coordinate a visit for you to look at the location / building.

A review and selection panel consisting from 5 to 7 people including trustee(s) of Auromics Trust, members of the FAMC, and the Funds and Assets Resource Group (FARG), and if there is a proposal for housing then at least one member of the Housing Board. This team will review all the proposals and make a recommendation of the best suited new utilization to the FAMC for a final approval.

We look forward to receiving your proposal.

*Sincerely, FAMC
(members are: Amy, Angelo, Jonas, Lisa, Marc, Palani, Ranjith, Stephan)*

CONCERN AT THE RECENT TREND OF POSTING

Dear Residents, we would like to express our concern at the recent trend of posting internal Auroville meetings on public media platforms, as well as negative messages and statements made by Aurovilians against other Aurovilians on social media outlets such as Facebook, which are accessible to the general public outside of Auroville.

We understand that we are going through challenging times and there are a lot of tensions and hurt, creating uncertainty and frustration. However, we don't believe that 'airing our dirty laundry' in public to people who are not aware of the context of what they are reading or seeing is helpful since this practice often creates biases and stigmatizes individuals, leading to more hurt and negativity rather than towards understanding and reconciliation.

Having said that, we fully support, and will discuss with RAS (Residents' Assembly Service), that recordings of meetings are made available on Auronet and through links that can be circulated to members of the Residents' Assembly. Live Streaming of meetings for residents who cannot be physically present is also something that we think should become a regular part of all GM's and RA meetings with the clear understanding, in both cases, that these are not for circulation on social media platforms.

*Sincerely, The Working Committee
(Anu, Arun, Chali, Hemant, Partha, Sauro, Srimoyi)*

LAND BOARD REPORT

March to September 2021



In July with the assistance of the police and the LB advocates we fenced the boundary between Slancio and Sun Farm, which was pending for over 10 years. Again with a police presence we fenced two sides in the land in the Light community. The work on the northern side is pending. It appears some 3M of the boundary lies beyond the fence, the neighboring farmer requested to remove the overhanging live fence on the Eastern side which is also necessary for the survey, the costs are being assessed. We are grateful that in July the Secretary took action regarding the AuroOrchard encroachment, we hope for similar action in some other cases.

We appreciate the many Aurovilians that notice and report encroachments or activities of AV land or nearby- Thank you for helping us so we can help ... us! The consolidation of land purchase is getting harder, and outside speculation is increasing despite the Govt of India 2003 GO that recognises the MP area of Auroville and prevents unauthorized development. We pray that all Aurovilians assist AV to purchase the remaining lands. We remind Aurovilians not to assist speculators in any forms (information, promotional video etc). Your future grandchildren will thank you as you can observe the growing problem of plotting and unmanaged garbage, wells depleting the aquifer and road-side shops destroying much of the conservation work and beauty we had hoped to manifest.

Legal As the courts have re-opened several cases pending since early 2000, are being heard or are being concluded. A case regarding La Piscine was ruled in AV's favor. The New Farm case was won in high court but the party has appealed to the Supreme court. An ongoing case near Dana was heard. Two LEM members have been requested to file to recuperate costs related to a land – they have now filed to restore the case -the WC is following the matter. An Avlian is requested to sue his lawyer due to a filed compromise memo related to Hermitage land that claimed it wasn't AV property, however we are still waiting for the documents to show such action was taken. LB and WC are following this matter. Total number of cases pending in Vanur and Tindivanam is 23, in the High Court 5 cases, and currently 1 in the Supreme Court. Meanwhile several PIL's (Public Interest Litigation) have been filed against AVF, the matter is being followed by the AVF. (Incidentally we require a knowledgeable witness for court cases; a knowledge of Tamil, land issues and the capacity to remain consistent and firm under cross examination is needed. If you are interested in helping in this area kindly contact us. We have reached out to residents with such skills but all have declined.)

Caring There is a growing tendency to dump garbage on paramboke land or Auroville owned land. A joint action from the DRDO and the village administrative officials will be taken to clean up and protect the waterways = Odai paramboke lands especially. It is requested that we all spread awareness on the health hazard and environmental impact on these unethical practices of dumping garbage in waterways. We all need to participate with vigilance, education and active involvement in protecting these areas.

The land board faces many complaints from neighbors due to shade caused by trees on the border, when these complaints are not acted upon by the steward/neighbor it reflects poorly on Auroville as a whole and makes the Land Board work harder.

Therefore, we request stewards/neighbors to be attentive to the issue of tree shade complaints by neighboring farmers and to attend to the "reasonable" requests ASAP.

If these repeated complaints (regarding shade caused by tree or bamboo remain unattended to by the concerned Aurovilians/ Stewards the land board will warn the community and then carry out the work and charge the community/ Steward for the cost of the same.

Fencing The LB has sourced and negotiated for wholesale material for fencing and is starting on the backlog of the many pending fencing requests. We would like to remind the stewards that the LB follows certain criteria for fencing assistance, and request the communities/stewards to assist whenever possible for the cost of the materials or apply to the BCC after receiving an estimate from the LB.

A total of 578 Meters of fencing was erected from March to Sept. In :Windarra-Ambu, Light, Certitude, Revelation, Slancio, Udumbu and some JCB bunding work carried out near Kalvapraksha and together with the VAO removed an encroacher from blocking the Odai Peromboke adjacent to AV property.

NOTE: The LB is not a fence trimming or gardening agency. Stewards in general should employ workers or AV Tree care to attend to this work. The LB takes care of cutting trees on the road side, public spaces and may help communities' clear dead trees. The wood is collected and sold as firewood/ timber and the proceeds are given to Auroville city services.

Henceforth Timber and Firewood sales will be carried out on Wed and Sat between 9.00 and 12 at the LB Wood Yard site (Big gate at Pazhamudircholai Farm – adjacent to Aroma Gardens). Rajavelu and Adhi are currently coordinating the sales.

Survey Work From March to Sept some 18 Patta transfers were made. We take the opportunity to mention a historical first which is that; all the pending Bommappalayam Patta's have been transferred to AVF! Land Board is grateful to Sriramalu for his help in this. A new surveyor has been assigned to our area, we look forward to collaborating with him and to conclude the pending surveys. 10 Government surveys took place and 53 internal surveys were carried out throughout Auroville.

Other Issues Sapney Farm, Rajendran is the steward of Sapney farm located in the International Zone within Kottakarai village which was purchased in 2017, a portion of the area was not purchased due to missing documents. The owner of this area has moved in with his pregnant partner claiming this land. The situation is creating a lot of tension with the steward. The Land board requested a Govt. survey. The party appears to not have any claim to the land – The WC should take up the matter, furthermore the living situation is not suitable for the couple and now a newborn. **Aragabumi** has an ongoing issue with Ayanarappan due to an error in the FMB- LB has written to the Survey Dept. and Tahsildar and will do so once again as the issue is causing conflict on the ground. A party has purchased a property within the GBelt in the sensitive area of **Pitchandikulam**. The issue of such developments has been brought up with the various groups and stewards. Bringing up the use of private access (provided for agricultural purposes only), it should not be assumed that the access is transferable once the land is sold and used for other purposes. The problem of slow land allocation by Avenir and FAMC adds extra work to the LB- It would be good to see how the process can be speeded up, and to encourage mixed income groups of people to take up untended lands.

New Team A code of ethics has been drawn up and signed by all (executives and staff at Land Board). We welcomed the new members; Raja, Satyakam and Venkat who joined as of 20.09.21 We wish Banu and Yuval (outgoing members) all the best! We take the opportunity to thank all those that have worked on purchasing land for Auroville from the early days in 65 to date. Grand Merci, Nandri, Thank you!

MANDATE AND POLICY REVIEW

Dear Community, alongside our study of the AV organization, the AV Council has started the Mandate and Policy Review subgroup to coordinate the evaluation and review of all the mandates, guidelines, and policies in Auroville. All current mandates and policies will be clearly dated and published on Auronet in an orderly manner for the community's reference.

As a first step, we are requesting those groups whose mandates and policies have not been ratified to share any suggested amendments with us. On an individual basis, we will review and publish these and request feedback from the community if appropriate.

The next step will be to review all mandates that require ratification. Depending on the specific requirements for the review of each mandate and policy, additional subgroups (some with calls to the community) will be created.

This is obviously a large task and will most likely be an ongoing project. We foresee that this may even end up being a permanent subgroup of the Council to hold this important aspect of our work.

Therefore all AV working groups may expect an email from the Mandate and Policy Review subgroup at some time or other to initiate the steps of reviewing and/or updating their respective mandates and policies.

If you are interested please feel free to volunteer by writing to avcouncil@auroville.org.in. Welcome are persons who are good at working with a team, have good English language skills and are willing to be actively involved.

At Her service,

For the Auroville Council

Balaji, Claudine, Ganesh K. Meenal, Sai Suresh, Suryan, Shivaya, and Shiva

PRE-QUALIFICATION NOTICE FOR REGISTERED AUROVILLE UNITS OF CIVIL CONTRACTORS



Auroville Town Development Council
L'avenir d'Auroville

The Auroville Town Development Council, on behalf of Prosperity Services invites pre-qualification tender only from experienced Auroville units of building contractors & developers for the construction of an extension on the first floor of the PTDC building in Auroville.

Pre-qualifying tender relates to the work experience, financial capacity and the technical ability of the Tenderer to carry out the proposed construction on the first floor of the existing building of PTDC using both, traditional as well as innovative building technologies. These innovative technologies include technique of construction of form finish concrete, steel truss roofing with metal / sandwich panels, walling with aerated cement blocks, natural stone flooring and steel works.

Project Tender documents will be issued to such parties who will pass the pre-qualification stage.

The last date for submission of pre-qualification tender in a sealed & superscribed envelope is 11th Oct 2021 at 16.00 hrs at the address mentioned below.

For any further assistance/information please contact the office: The Auroville Town Development Council, Town Hall, Auroville, Tamil Nadu – 605 101.

Tel: +91 413 2623568 / email: avenir@auroville.org.in and imc-avenir@auroville.org.in

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REMINDER: EMERGENCY RA DECISION TO APPROVE

A Provisional Residents' Assembly Decision-Making Process



Please Ignore This Reminder if You Have Already Submitted Your Vote.

Thank You!

Dear Community, this Emergency Residents' Assembly Decision making process (RAD) is for the community to approve a provisional residents' assembly decision-making process (<https://bit.ly/3AJ4ukK>).

Emergency Ra Decision

Please select 'Yes' or 'No' for the following statement:

I agree that the Provisional RAD Process can be used until a new RAD process is in place (stated intention within 9 months).

The Emergency RAD will run until

Sunday, October 17 2021

How To Participate:

Online: Use your personalized voting link sent by the RAS. Web based Gmail interface users, check the Promotions tab in case the email is not in your inbox. Good to also check your Spam / Junk folders. If you are an Aurovillian and didn't receive this email, please write to raservice@auroville.org.in or visit us at the RAS office, town hall on Monday 2pm – 4:30pm, Thursday 10am – 12pm, Friday 10am – 12pm. We are happy to help you register your decision.

In Person: A printed voting slip is available from the RAS sounding board in Town Hall. Fill out your ballot and hand it over to the RAS members.

In-person voting (meeting of the Residents' Assembly) will be organized at Solar Kitchen on Sunday October 17, 11am – 2pm.

The community will soon be informed about the review of the RAS mandate as well as the participatory process to create a new RAD process that is more reflective of the spirit and intention of Auroville.

Much love,

*For the Residents' Assembly Service,
Sathish A, Tatiana S, Verena H*

"You see only your side of the question, but if you want to widen your consciousness it would be better to look from all sides impartially. Later you will discover that this attitude has great advantages."

The Mother

CITY SERVICES CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS

September 2021

A more detailed report is available on the Auronet

Summary	Total
Buffer Opening Balance (BOB)	90,869,698
Monthly Contributions (Int. + Ext)	31,517,442
Total Contributions (OB+Monthly Inc)	122,387,140
Total Payments	20,905,675
CS Ending Balance (Includes BOB)	101,481,465
Monthly loss/gain	10,611,767

Internal Contributions

Source	Total
Commercial Units	7,101,176
Services	7,607,136
Aurovilians, Newcomers, & Friends	1,725,130
Internal Total	16,433,442

External Contributions

Government of India for SAIER	-
Government of India for Other	-
Other Contribution	-
Project Contributions	-
Foreign Contributions	15,084,000
External Total	15,084,000

City Services Payment

Heading	Total Payments
Education	3,457,709
Social Support	2,989,309
Prosperity Services	2,184,649
Children & Youth	2,142,501
Organization	1,769,073
Health	1,383,646
Village Education	1,145,196
Forests	1,111,301
Security	643,885
Culture & Sports	629,679
Housing	624,754
Farms	585,003
Outreach	579,475
Roads, Cycle Paths, & Transport	521,251
Contingency	390,609
Land	374,011
Matrimandir	173,004
City Planning	150,394
Utilities	32,674
Projects	17,553
Total	20,905,675

Full report please see [in Appendix 1 of this issue](#)



FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE – ES # 102

Dated: 09-10-2021

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:

Saipriya CHANDRAMOHAN (Indian) staying in Kalpana and working at Auroville Radio



NEWCOMER CONFIRMED:

Patrick DOUMINGE (French)

AUROVILIAN ANNOUNCED:



Induja



Sathish



Zinab

Induja GANDHIPRASAD (Indian) staying in Creativity and working at Sunlit Future

Sathish MACHAKETU (Indian) staying in Kriya Youth Housing and working at Nowana

Zinab Beygom TAHERI aka Marjan (Iranian) staying in Surrender and working at Aha Kindergarten

AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED:

Anbarasan VIJAYARANGAN aka Anbu (Indian)

Gomathi DEVARAJ (Indian)

Sathyanarayan BHAMBORE (Indian)

RETURNING ANNOUNCED:

Richard EGGENBERGER aka Narad (USA) staying in Madhuca and working with Matrimandir Garden team, conducting OM choir & Satsang



SPOUSE OF AN AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED:

Sumadi ANBARASAN (Indian)

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.

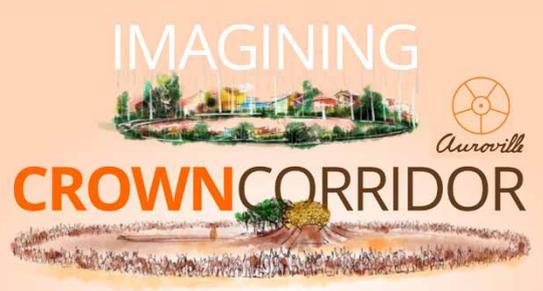
Yours,

The Entry Service

Community News

AUROVILLE MATTERS

IMAGINING CROWN CORRIDOR



IMAGINING
CROWN CORRIDOR

Auroville

A community-lead brainstorming workshop towards a harmonious manifestation of the Crown Corridor.

6th October, Wednesday, 10am - 12.30pm
13th October, Wednesday, 10am - 12.30pm
16th October, Saturday, 3pm - 5.30pm
20th October, Wednesday, 10am - 12.30pm
23rd October, Saturday, 3pm - 5.30pm
27th October, Wednesday, 10am - 12.30pm
30th October, Saturday, 3pm - 5.30pm

At Unity Pavilion

Auroville Town Development Council

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE MATRIMANDIR GARDENS



Dear Aurovilians, devotees and all visitors, I have returned to work at the Matrimandir Gardens. As you know the Mother said the gardens are as important as the Matrimandir and all should contribute to this work.

May I count on you?

Narad

A WEEKLY STUDY CIRCLE ON SYNTHESIS OF YOGA

A weekly Study Circle on

The Synthesis of Yoga - Sri Aurobindo

The Mother's very last message to Auroville:

"Auroville is created to realise the ideal of Sri Aurobindo who taught us the Karma Yoga. Auroville is for those who want to do the Yoga of work.

"To live in Auroville means to do the Yoga of work. So all Aurovilians must take up a work and do it as a yoga" 27.03.1973
She also said:

"PROGRAMME: Research through experience of the Supreme Truth. A Life Divine. But no religions" 02.05.1970

Venue: Bhumika Hall
Day : Tuesday
Time: 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm
Contact: 09159186599



An exploration.
lead by Deepti Tiwari



BHARAT NIVAS

SANTÉ SERVICES IN OCTOBER 2021

Working Hours

Monday – Saturday

8:45 – 12:30pm & 2:00 – 4:30pm

(closed Tuesday afternoon for team meetings)

Tests and Sample collection

Monday – Friday before 12:00pm.

No sample collection on Saturday.

For emergencies

Contact Auroville Ambulance (24/7)

Phone: +(91) 94422 24680

Government Ambulance (24/7) Phone: 108

Appointments

Please call Santé on (0413) 2622803 during working hours for an appointment

Doctor consults with Dr. Brian, Dr. Senthil & Dr. Prabha – Daily	Nursing Care – Ezhil, Thilagam & Archana – Daily No appointment necessary
Acupuncture with Andres TOS from 10/10/21	Ayurveda with Dr. Berengere Wednesday / Thursday / Friday
Homeopathy with Michael Monday / Wednesday/ Friday	Hypnotherapy & NLP with Dan Wednesday & Thursday
Midwifery & Family counselling with Monique Tuesday	Pregnancy Care & Women's Wellness with Paula Tuesday & Wednesday
Physiotherapy with Rebeca Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday	Physiotherapy with Osnat Monday / Thursday/ Friday from 11/10/21 – 22/10/21
Physiotherapy and Massage with Galina Monday – Friday	Paediatric Physiotherapy with Swati Wednesday
Psycho Somatotherapy with Svenja Monday / Wednesday / Thursday / Friday	

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

SPECIAL INVITATION TO NAVARATRI UTSAV



Ilaignarkal Education Centre, cordially invites you to participate in the cultural event – Navaratri Utsav – doll show as part of Dasara Celebrations.

The festival of Navratri holds significance as it represents the different stages of evolution. This year the theme is on "Reptiles – Snakes and their significant role in Indian Mythology."

We invite all of you to be with us and participate in the evening cultural performances.

Place: Ilaignarkal Education Centre, Auroville

Date: 06th Wednesday to Saturday 16th October 2021.

Time: 10 a.m -12 noon and 2.00 p.m – 5.00 p.m

RSVP: (0413) 2623 773, tamil@auroville.org.in

Ilaignarkal Education Centre Team.

**MEDITATIONS ON SAVITRI,
BOOK ONE – THE BOOK OF BEGINNINGS**

Canto 2: The Issue



Monday, 11 October 2021, 4pm at Savitri Bhavan.

Duration: 26min.

Shraddhavan wrote the following in her summary of Canto Two, The Issue in Invocation #50:

“As she awakens, Savitri’s whole life passes before her mind’s eye: her childhood, her youth, her fateful meeting with Satyavan, the last twelve months of love lived with him in the shadow of Death. One year ago, she was forewarned of the coming of this fateful day. She has not shared this knowledge with Satyavan or his family. Those around her know nothing of the inner burden that she is bearing. She, a divine being, has taken a human birth in order to save humanity from the grip of Ignorance and Death. With her she has brought her native heavenly Bliss, but here on earth she has to face what all human beings face: pain and grief and the death of their loved ones. But as the fateful day dawns Savitri calls on her inner strength to transform her grief and pain into a powerful weapon which she will use to change earth-destiny. She knows that the destiny of the body can be changed by the will of the Soul. As an incarnation of the Supreme Divine Mother, she is able to transform the existing world-order and claim the victory of Light over Darkness, of Life and Love over Death.”

A prayer, a master act, a king idea / Can link man’s strength to a transcendent Force. (p.20)

A deeply meditative film that features Huta’s paintings illustrating the passages from Savitri read by The Mother and accompanied by her own organ music which is capable of connecting us to the Divine Presence within and taking us towards the spiritual truth and the New Consciousness.

LET’S TALK ABOUT DEATH, 2ND YEAR, PART I

Saturday, 16 Oct. 2020, from 3 to 5 pm
at Pavilion of Tibetan Culture.



The ‘Let’s talk about Death’ group intends to provide space, time and content on the topic of Death in Auroville.

We have met several times during 2020/2021, at different locations, with each time 20 new interested people attending. The sharings are always heart-warming and inspiring. We learned a lot.

The 1st date of this new series of gatherings is Saturday 16 October at the Pavilion of Tibetan Culture. We’ll start at 3pm with coffee & cake, followed by sharing until around 5pm.

We want to offer a space for personal experience and insights. There will be no lecture, material distribution or convincing people of one’s opinions or beliefs. The sharing is open to all ages.

Please book by email to quietusauroville@gmail.com. Once you have reserved, a confirmation will be sent to you with additional details.

If you would like to give a donation to help us to cover the expense, our FS account is 106829 Quietus. Thank you in advance.

We hope to see you soon, take care and stay healthy and open minded.

*The ‘Let’s talk about Death’ group,
Fakeera, Kalsang, Lisa, Valeria & Dan*

**MULTI MEDIA CENTRE AUDITORIUM
(MMC, TOWN HALL)**

Reminder

Friday 8 October,

“The Swallows Of Kabul” by Zabou Breitman and Eléa Gobé Mévellec, France, 2019



“Tess”, Friday 15 October 2021, 7:30 Pm

Directed: by Roman Polanski, France – UK, 1979

With: Nastassja Kinski Peter Firth Leigh Lawson

Synopsis: Tess is an adaptation of Thomas Hardy’s 1891 novel “Tess of the D’urbervilles”. Wessex County, England during the Victorian era in the Great Depression (1873-1896).

A clergyman and local historian, Parson Tringham, has a chance conversation with John Durbeyfield, a simple farmer, and he tells him that the “Durbeyfields” are descending from the d’Urbervilles, a noble family whose lineage extends to the time of William the Conqueror. Durbeyfield soon becomes fixated upon the idea of using this noble lineage to better his family’s fortunes.

Finding a wealthy family named d’Urberville living nearby, he and his wife send their daughter Tess to call on them about this presumed relations, and seek employment at the manor house...

This was Roman Polanski’s last triumph for his stellar period during the 1970’s. The film was nominated for six Academy Awards, including Best Picture, winning three for Best Cinematography, Best Art Direction and Best Costume Design

Original English version, with English subtitles

Duration: 181 min

Covid 19, please follow the current SOP.

REGULAR EVENTS UPDATES



Those of you who have a Posting in our Regular Events, please keep us informed of any changes so that we can keep these postings updated

Thanks, Roy & Agnijata

MOOVIE: VAISHNAV JAN TOH

Celebrating 50th of Bharat Nivas
Film Projection
in the presence of the film Director
“Vaishnav Jan Toh” by Mr. Kaushal Oza

Venue: Bhumika Hall, Bharat Nivas
Date: Tuesday 12th October 2021
Time: 6.00 pm
Duration: 11 minutes followed by another short film “After Glow”

Set in 1944, against the backdrop of Mahatma Gandhi’s visit to a village, Vaishnav Jan Toh... is the story of a mother who faces a crisis as her faith in Gandhi’s message is put to test. Winner of the National Award for the Best Debut Director of a Short Film, Vaishnav Jan Toh won 3 other International Best Film Awards, apart from multiple film festival screenings.

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THANK YOU "IS THIS THE END?"

By Surya Performance Lab



On Saturday 25th of September, in partnership with AVI-USA, we Surya performance lab, did a beautiful fundraising event on the stage of the Sri Aurobindo auditorium to support the creation of our new show "IS THIS THE END?" inspired by a poem of Sri Aurobindo.

It was a great success and we are very happy. We introduced our past works with a beautiful slideshow. Then, we performed a long extract of our new production.

Dr. Jayanti Ravi, IAS, Secretary of Auroville Foundation, Mrs. Lise Talbot Barré – Consule Générale de France à Pondichéry, and the Consule Générale adjoint de France à Pondichéry honoured us with their presence.

We were also blessed with a large audience in the auditorium. Many aurovilians and guests came despite the late time because of the time difference, also a lot of artists. We want to thank all spectators for their presence and support.

It was still a work in progress but the performance was already very powerful, deep, magical, and we could feel a great emotion in the audience. After the event, we had so wonderful feedbacks from the audience.

We want to thank the performers who were so committed on stage, giving their best: Huong Pham, Gopal Dalami and, Thierry Moucazambo.

Thanks to Zan David for the strong and powerful music, and to Melodie who created the light.

Thank you to the team of Sri Aurobindo auditorium who welcomed us: Joy, Suresh, Devasmitha, Satyakam, and also to Tapas and Kripa who helped with the protocol.

Thank you to Amul Lal, who managed this event, to Giri Thirumal for the slide show, to Serena and Auroville Live for the video, the live streaming experience.

Also thank you Guna and Valentina for the beautiful photos and videos, Ravi, and all volunteers who helped us.

We are grateful to CRIPA who welcomed us for the rehearsals, News and notes, Auroville art service, Sri Aurobindo 150th birth anniversary team in Auroville, MERA, and SAILER.

Special thank you to AVI-USA, especially Matthew who organized this event from USA.

Big thank you to all the donors who support us in India and abroad. Your donation is not only money but also an encouragement, and a blessing.

You can still donate to Surya Performance lab FS account: 252160.

Your support will help us to continue the process to finalize the show. We look forward to seeing you in February 2022 for the creation and final version of the show in Sri Aurobindo auditorium, then in March or April for the festival Francophonie in Pondicherry in partnership with Alliance Française. We also hope to tour in other places in India, if the Covid situation resides.

Philippe Pelen,
director and choreographer
of 'Is This The End?'
Surya Performance Lab Auroville.

Some feedbacks from the Audience.

- "I think the way you depicted and brought so many elements...The way you wove it all together is absolutely brilliant...It was absolutely wonderful".

Dr. Jayanti Ravi, IAS,
Secretary of Auroville Foundation.

- "Thank you for this great performance, this first draft of IS THIS THE END. Lots of emotions, inspirations and, vibrations."

Lise Talbot-Barré, Consule Générale
de France à Pondichéry

- "A true piece of art is always a treat to watch, Thanks for the performance. I wish you all the great heights"

Chali

ART FOR LAND GENEROSITY FAIR



Welcoming beautiful, useful and fun objects for a cause for a cause

Here is an opportunity to clean out your closet and home/office spaces for a cause!

Welcoming donations of all kinds of beautiful, useful and fun things like gently used/unused clothes, bags, accessories, home decor, art or anything that is useful to be donated to Art For Land for an upcoming generosity fair. Please drop all items at the Unity Pavilion office. We can also arrange a pick up.

Office working hours: 9am-12pm, 2pm-5pm

Unity Pavilion, Phone: 0091-413-2623576

Crown Road, International Zone

605101, Auroville, TN, India

unitypavilionauroville.com

"The world is a Unity – it has always been and it is always so, even now it is so; it is not that it has not got the unity and the unity has to be brought in from outside and imposed upon it. Only the world is not conscious of its unity. It has to be made conscious."

Regards, Arun



MOOVIE: HELLARO BY ABHISHEK SHAH

Celebrating 50th of Bharat Nivas

Film Projection

"HELLARO" by Abhishek Shah



Venue: Bhumika Hall, Bharat Nivas

Date: Monday 11th October 2021

Time: 5.00 pm

Duration: 2 hrs

HELLARO (Gujarati) with English subtitle.

HELLARO, a National Award winning feature film- 2019 (Gujarati musical with subtitles)

Synopsis of the Film:

Inspired by a Gujarati folklore, Hellaro is a celluloid celebration of breaking free as the women from a small village in Rann of Kutch defy patriarchy through dance, with the help of a stranger.

Before the film screening, some members of the Guju Garba Group will present a PowerPoint of the garba celebration in auroville since 2004.

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AURORA'S EYE



Dear Friends, greetings from Joy of Impermanence Anitya! We are writing to share with you an event we are jointly hosting with Aurora's Eye Films and AVI USA on the **16th of October at 9pm Indian time** to launch our new film "The JOI of Human Unity".

We invite you to an interactive evening where we share with you our lived experience of building community in Auroville, South India. Through our journey we invite you to dream with us the possibilities of an integral, creative future through community.

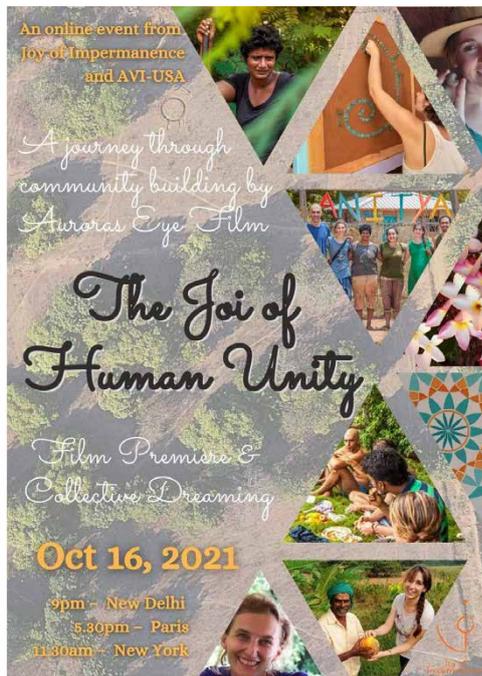
At Joy of Impermanence, we believe that humanity needs new solutions to our compounding collective crises. And we believe that these solutions cannot just change the way we think – they need to change the way we live.

We aim to live in a way that honors the essential impermanence of nature, and to allow our collective intelligence to guide as we create sustainable spaces that protect and enrich the Earth and each other.

We believe that the insights that arise from our collective experiment in impermanence and sustainability are valuable, and we are committed to sharing them

At this film premiere we will be speaking about our community building journey and will hold a collective dreaming experience with live music for you to participate in. Do join us if you feel inspired to know more and support us!

Please register at <https://aviusa.org/joi/>



After you donate, you'll receive an email confirmation, and then during the week of October 11th we will email you again with a link to join the event

Your donation will support the Joy of Impermanence project's ongoing work to explore community living in the spirit of impermanence and share their learning with the world through interactive educational events and activities.

*With love and light,
JOI Anitya team*

*(Mathilde, Nikethana, Andres, Ion,
Serena and Mira)*

FILM PROJECTION: AFTER GLOW

Celebrating 50th of Bharat Nivas
Film Projection
in the presence of the film Director
"After Glow" by Mr. Kaushal Oza



Venue: Bhumika Hall, Bharat Nivas
Date: Tuesday 12th October 2021
Time: 6.20 pm
Duration: 20 minutes

Gujarati, English (with English Subtitles) Afterglow is a tragi-comic piece about a Parsi widow who has just lost her husband and the condolence visitors who come in to offer their mock sympathy. Afterglow has been consistently rated as one of the best short films by popular online portals and is nearing 1 million views on YouTube. It was screened at Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival 2013 celebrating 100 years of Indian Cinema and featuring the best Indian Films of the Century.

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WEDNESDAYS FARM TOUR AT AUROORCHARD



AuroOrchard is happy to be restarting the weekly Wednesday tours, now in the afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 pm.

The tour will cover an introduction to the farm, its history & purpose, our agricultural practices, and time for your questions. We look forward to sharing our work and journey with you. Tours will start from the Neem tree near the AuroOrchard office. We kindly request you to be on time. Contributions are welcome as they support us to continue doing these tours. Please let us know in case you would be joining us on 9842873272 or auroorchard@auroville.org.in.

SOURCING OUR ONENESS CAMP IN NAINITAL

November 2021



Dear Aurovilians, we are on short notice preparing for a Sourcing Our Oneness Camp in Nainital for this coming November. Within the next few days we will know the dates and have a program overview. Meanwhile, as the time is short for travel arrangements etc, we are making this announcement now.

It will be cool weather, we do have warm clothes in stock to lend and for that one can also check with the Free store. As usual, there will be treks, a diversity of creative activities, fun, getting to know new people and together deepen our understanding of oneness and Integral Yoga under the Umbrella of Sri Aurobindo's Five Dreams.

There is a possibility for youth without means for sponsoring travel and stay. For others it is contribution based

If you would like to participate, please contact 94890 82447 for more information.

ECO FEMME OPEN HOUSE



Dear friends, our open house is starting again at our office in Saracon Campus every Thursday morning from 10.30 AM.

Come and learn about sustainable menstrual products and our not for profit programs and pick up discounted cloth pads and cloth nappies.

See you soon! The Eco Femme Team

GUJARATI FOLK DANCE GARBA

Learn the basics of traditional Gujarati Folk Dance – Garba – in a 4 day workshop at SAWCHU, Bharat Nivas.



are you ready to GET YOUR
garba
ON?
YOUTHLINK PRESENTS
THE ULTIMATE 4 DAY GUJARATI
FOLK DANCE WORKSHOP
DATES: 11 OCT- 14 OCT
TIME: 5:00 - 6:30 PM
CONTRIBUTION:
₹ 600 for fourdays
₹ 200 for dropin class
FOR REGISTRATIONS: 70167-37800

DIWALI UPCYCLER'S MARKET AT RE-CENTRE!



Come and see our latest production of upcycled items!

Join our workshops and get inspiration and materials from us to do your own upcycling.

Date: 16 & 17 October

Time: 10 am to 4pm

Place: Re-Centre, Auroville

Thanks

Abhipsa for Ok Upcycling Studio

LOOKING FOR

Looking for a Laptop

Hello friends, I am looking for a laptop to use for a couple of hours, happy to pay a fee. Please let me know if you can help or know anyone? Thanks, message me on Whatsapp: +447515377896 – Mike

Warmth, Divyanshi

Looking for a Dog Trainer



We are looking for a gentle dog trainer to help us with our reactive pet...

krishnadevanandan@auroville.org.in

Krishna

Looking for a House



Dear friends, I will have to leave my actual house sitting in Realization on October 15th, and I am desperately looking for the next one. I've got less than 2 weeks, so please, help me by sharing any "rumour" of free apartments or houses. I enjoy taking care of pets, especially cats.

PS: I have a tight budget (< 5,000Rs)

Love and light, Gali

Looking for a House



Hello all, my partner, Jonathan and I are looking for a mid/long term house sitting possibility in Auroville. I am currently a volunteer at WellPaper and Jonathan is volunteering at Solitude Farm. We like to generally keep our space clean and comfortable.

Thank you, Mahima and Jonathan
+91 9167654361 for Whatsapp and Calls,
r.mahima@gmail.com

Looking for a Cook for Sunship



We are looking for a cook to manage the Sunship Community Kitchen/ Cafeteria. You would be in charge of preparing and serving lunch Monday – Saturday for 30 to 50 people on average, and work together with 2 full time staff. The work would include being in charge of shopping, preparing menus, keeping simple accounts and supervising preparation of food, serving and the cleaning of kitchen and cafeteria area.

Knowledge of Indian as well as International cooking is a plus.

Write to Sunship@auroville.org.in with your contacts, information about yourself, your experience and possible education in this field.

AVAILABLE

Nice Hut House



Hello dear Auroville friend's, I am Nithiya from Auroville. Our community has two very nice hut house available in the green belt near miracle, a very beautiful place and quite some facilities common kitchen and bathroom, Options for community weekly gatherings, Sunday offering free lunch in our common kitchen, and beautiful fruits orchard and nature for someones looking for very long-term house in Auroville.

Contact:auronithiya@gmail.com, 9159198451

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

PART TIME JOB OFFER: SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR.



Inner Climate Academy

Inner Climate Academy (ICA) provides spaces for inner reflection & inquiry, collaborative research & dialogue, and facilitated explorations that lead to personal and societal transformation of our relationship with the living Earth.

<https://innerclimateacademy.org/>

ICA is looking for a part time social media coordinator to help with our ongoing projects.

Partial contribution available.

If you are interested or have questions, take a look at our website and write to us at info.innerclimateacademy@gmail.com or whatsapp Lakshmi +91 7598993684

ICA is a project of Social Entrepreneurship Association (SEA) under Auroville Village Action Trust.

Thank you for your time and work

Warmly, Sophie
For ICA Team

LOOKING FOR SUITABLE WORK?



HR 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.

Administration

You will manage our office (answer calls, emails, manage office supplies, coordinate meetings, organize files, draft and proofread correspondence), you will greet visitors and supervise the workers.

You have proficient computer skills, the ability to operate general office equipment, you have excellent organizational skills, the ability to prioritize, and you are comfortable working independently. Your oral and written communication skills are excellent, including strong spelling, grammar, and punctuation (both in English and Tamil). Full time, maintenance available.

Production and Customer Support

You will help to manage production (75% of the time), some computer work but mostly handing physical stock and packing. And you will assist with customer support (25% of the time). You are proficient in written/spoken English, able to use computers (excel) and comfortable with internet technologies.

You are organized, pro-active and independent. You adapt to changing scenarios and take initiative. A positive, can-do attitude is required. You will be trained during a one-month trial period. Full-time, maintenance available.

And other positions

Please inquire about details:

- **Volunteers for AuroOrchard**

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 hriauroville.org or hr_hub@auroville.org

If you are searching for work

[Fill in this form](#)

HR Initiative

hr_hub@auroville.org

www.hriauroville.org

BLUE LIGHT IS LOOKING FOR A SPECIALIST



Blue Light is looking for a young specialist to strengthen the team. Blue Light is an Auroville Service that supports computers and networks for many of the Auroville services.

The candidate needs to have at least basic experience in configuring/repairing computers and a willingness to learn and acquire new skills.

Experience in repairing electronic equipment is desirable. Knowledge of Linux is an advantage. Maintenance is available after the probationary period.

Phone 2622524

Bharathy/Daniel

email.bluelight@auroville.org

ARTIST ASSISTANT

Centre d'Art



Auroville

The role of the art assistant will be to give full artistic support in the making of the sculptures/ installations. This could be sorting/cutting wood, doing research, gathering materials or sanding, painting, etc. This can be a good position for young artists who will gain additional skills and see the inside story of how a working artist creates day-to-day.

- Basic Woodworking Skills: use and operate a Jigsaw, Angle Grinder (*Either of them)
- Timeline: 01 Nov to 15 Dec 2021, 5 days a week.



Centre d'Art, Citadines Auroville Artist Residency 2021 recipient Harsha Durugadda is a multidisciplinary artist working on sculpture and performance art.

He is the winner of the Rio Tinto Sculpture Award 2017 at Sculpture by the Sea, Australia. Durugadda's

sculptures have been exhibited internationally at Nord Art in Germany, Emergent Art Space in the United States, London and Australia.

In 2014 he was invited by the Courtauld Institute of Art to present on Ancient Buddhist Sculpture at the British Museum, London. He has received the Andrew Stretton Memorial invitation in 2016 at Sydney.

Harsha Durugadda will start his residency on 01 November 2021.

Centre d'Art residency is an opportunity for artistic exchange and experimentation, focusing on process-based and artist-led research. Centre d'Art encourages artists to pursue new research and widen their networks to support the development of their practice.

2022 artist residency application Deadline 15 November 2021. Contact: centredart@auroville.org

Web: www.centredart.in

Warm regards , Centre d'Art

Voices and Notes

AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear Aurovilians, 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:

[Aarohan – ep.31 "Nirgun Nirakar Tradition of Bhakti Music"](#) (Music)

[Audible Weed Walk – ep.58 "Diversity in and around us"](#) (Food Education)

[Savitri, B. X, C. III, Part 6](#) (Integral Yoga)

[Happiness, Love and Laughter – ep.112 "3 ways how fun and play can transform your life"](#) (Wellness)

[Une série hebdomadaire de lectures par Gangalakshmi – 368](#) (Integral Yoga)

...and more! on www.aurovillerradio.org

For more information write to radio@auroville.org

Peace and Love

BHARAT NIVAS WEATHER PROOFING IS DOWN



Dear Friends, as the community has been informed by the Bharat Nivas Team the weather proof coat of tiles on the east wing of Sri Aurobindo Auditorium fell down on 9th September.

The debris from the tiles were removed from the roof with due consideration taking all necessary safety precautions. This task was carried out by Auroville Road Service with the help of Auroville Tree Care. Bharat Nivas Technical team is now working on repairing the damaged parapet wall as the next step of this repair work.

We express our sincere gratitude to Auroville Road Service and Tree Care for their expertise and the smooth manner in which they executed this work taking all safety measures.

*In Her Service
Bharat Nivas Team*

ACCESSIBLE AUROVILLE PUBLIC BUS SERVICE NEEDS SUPPORT



Dear All, accessible Auroville Public Bus service started in 2016 with help of an Italian donor, who contributed to purchase a public bus to Auroville.

Since 2016, we have received good support from Aurovilians, guests and all. The service self-sustained by collecting contributions from the bus users to cover the running expenditures. We were supported by the AVI Canada to cover the yearly maintenance like, Insurance, Fitness Certificate, Yearly Maintenance of the vehicle.

We do not get any financial support from the BCC for our monthly running cost or yearly maintenance. We tried a few times with BCC to support the public transport in Auroville to avoid an increase of individual transports, taxis, etc.,. It was never accepted by the BCC since 2016.

Therefore, we invite Aurovilians, New Comers, Volunteers and Unit workers from Pondicherry to use this service to support the public transport in Auroville. While increasing the number of users, the service will sustain itself without any financial crisis. So far the service could function because the financial gaps were generously covered by advances given by Auroville Vehicle Service, but it cannot continue. Let us join together to reduce the carbon footprint and the traffic around us.

By supporting public transport, you could have a safe Journey, reduce the carbon footprint and save money.

We have started 4 trips in a day from 15th of August 2021 with a new schedule with the aim to satisfy everyone's needs, Students studying in Pondicherry, workers from Pondicherry to Auroville, Visitors from Pondicherry to Auroville and Aurovilians could travel morning or evening to Ashram, shopping, dental appointments, etc.,.

On 8th October 2021 the bus insurance is going to expire, we need Rs. 32,500, if we do not get the amount, there is a risk that the service might be suspended, which we will do our best to avoid.

For donations avbus Ac. 251675

The Service is provided from MONDAY to SATURDAY.

*AVBUS Team,
Raju, Sauro, Susmita*

GOOD THINGS



Dear Community, a big thank you for your financial support ! With your donations, we now have the means to renew our solar equipment. We are so grateful !!

*Achilles, Dr B, Laurence and Eric
for Baraka community*

PS: Laurence and Eric will be happy to work on how other forest communities can get more institutional collective support for their solar system.

*Have a beautiful day
Laurence for Baraka community*

HELP ANIMALS TEAM AVAILABLE FOR DOGS AND CATS STERILIZATIONS



Help Animals is still running a small project to sterilise dogs and cats in Auroville and the surrounding villages. We initiated this work in 2018 because we noticed an increasing number of strays either being dumped or coming to Auroville looking for food. At the same time the number of dogs in the Auroville shelter had increased dramatically.

We started our project out of goodwill and with small donations. Later, in 2019, we received funds through an organisation that supports Auroville projects, to neuter 90 dogs/cats from the surrounding villages. Simultaneously Helpanimals got quite many requests from Aurovilians to sterilize their pet animals and also animals that were picked up from the road or had been dumped near their houses.

In the last 2 years our work has been slowed down by the Covid emergency, but we managed to operate about 65 animals. We are available to sterilise male and female cats and dogs in Auroville and in the surrounding villages.

To know more and get an appointment, please write to helpanimals@auroville.org.in or call Anand ph. 8682043919

*Enrica Mita and Shivaya
For Help Animals*

"HANGOUT" AT CENTER GUESTHOUSE



Things are looking up and attendance was almost back to normal last time with many of the usual crowd plus quite a few new people too

Our next Hangout will once again be at Center Guest House, and this on **Saturday, October 9, from 2.30 – 5.30pm.**

You and your friends and family can come by any time and stay as long as you want, it's **totally informal**. Whether you want to play games, or just chat with friends or meet new **people of all ages** please do come on by and join in.

We will have some juices, coffee, tea and cookies for which you will either need to **please make a modest donation**, or just bring some snacks to share with all.

The usual board games will be available and if you have a preferred game at your home do bring it along and look for partners to play with.

As always all ages are totally welcome.

*We look forward to seeing you again soon.
Don & Veronique*

SILENT PRESENCE KEEPERS



Dear Community, we are the Silent Presence Keepers. Our task is to sit in working group meetings and in general meetings and stay in meditation throughout the meetings.

The purpose of this is to support the members of the working groups and the participants of the other meetings in keeping the connection 'with the Spirit of Auroville' in order to help inspire the decisions and orientations that are taken in these meetings. We are committed to confidentiality. We only attend meetings when invited by the working groups and do not listen to the content of the meetings as our focus is turned inwards. We are looking for new members of our group and appeal to the community for that.

If you are an experienced meditator, motivated to support the collective efforts in Auroville and have a few hours per week to give for that please let me know.

I am Iris, the coordinator of this group and will be happy to meet you and give you a presentation of our activity so that you can decide if this is appealing to you.

Warmly, Iris, silentpresencekeepers@auroville.org.in

NAMASTE JI!



Many Aurovilians use, for greeting others the words namaste or namaskar. In Sanskrit "namaskara" means a salutation.

There is a popular system in Hatha Yoga, Surya namaskar, or greetings of the sun. Namaste ji means

"I greet you with love and respect." I think that when the Mother met Sri Aurobindo she said spontaneously: "namaste ji mahaguru ji – I am greeting you, the great guru, with love and respect."

The French man Jean Pierre Bunel arrived in the Sri Aurobindo Ashram in 1966. He met the Mother and said spontaneously: "namaste ji mahaguru ji."

He started working in the Ashram school as a teacher in French – and not only French. The Mother gave him the name Goupi, it means Guru Prasad. In Sanskrit prasad is food offered to a deity or to a spiritual teacher.

In the Ashram Goupi met many special people. Especially important for him was the meeting of Biren Da from Bengal. Biren Da taught him how to massage. But Biren Da was also a great boxer.

Goupi became Aurovilian in 1973. Now in his place (Marika Home) there are some photos of Biren Da. Goupi was born in Normandy on 17th of June in 1942. In numerology his number is three, it means harmony and spirituality.

His name Jean is from Hebrew Johanan, which means God is gracious. In English Jean is John, in German – Hans, in Russian – Ivan. His second name Pierre has Greek origin, from petros – stone, rock. In English and German it is Peter, in Russian – Pyotr. Goupi likes stones very much. But what does his family name Bunel mean? He doesn't know it. God knows – it is enough now.

Why does Goupi prefer to live without a shirt? It is strange but from his early years he was charmed by Tibet. In the Roof of the World people are not afraid of cool weather and some of them can live in the snow without dress. Once I met Goupi in the children's camp near Berijam lake. It was very cool but Goupi didn't wear a shirt. And he uses, very often a Tibetan mantra: "Om mani padme hum – O treasure (Buddha) in the lotus."

Goupi likes calligraphy and uses words from Tibetan, Bengal, Sanskrit and Tamil for the beautiful writing. He is good at different languages and Aurovilians from different countries are glad to say to him: namaste ji!

Boris

Ed Note; Namaste in Tamil is வணக்கம்

THE WORLD AT LARGE: SETTING THE STAGE FOR THE NEXT CLIMATE SUMMIT - COP 26



Some 30 years ago, when India ushered in economic reforms, it did so knowing fully well that an increased pace of economic growth would have adverse impacts on the environment.

Growth would intensify the use of natural resources and add to the pollution of our water bodies and air. This was known because the already rich world had understood that the only way it could prosper was by exporting the most polluting and labour-intensive industries to the emerging world. The first shock for India came around the mid-1990s, when Delhi's air turned foul and black. The motorisation boom had brought us there. In the next two decades we saw much more toxification of our land, water, air and food, and realised what it does to our health. It is part of the economic growth story as we know it. It is for this reason there have been repeated conflicts over the need to balance development with the environment. The resolution is often flawed because public institutions that are required to make decisions have been progressively weakened and disabled.

These 30 years have also taught us that we cannot ensure sustainable growth unless it is affordable and inclusive. We know that rivers cannot be cleaned without affordable sanitation for all; we cannot have blue skies and clear lungs without the mobility systems that move people and not vehicles. We also know today that investment in natural capital — trees, soil and water — will help build the resilience we need in the climate-risked world. This is how India needs to reinvent its growth story: it has to be based on the needs of all and not just a few, it has to protect the environment because that is the basis of life. No nature, no economy. Period.

This time the world has come full circle: the proponents of free-trade and globalisation are flirting with protectionism. The promise of that unfettered world of global commerce has changed global equations. China became the main rival of the USA after it overtook all countries in global trade using cheap labour, cheap credit and no restrictions on account of environmental or social safeguards. All other countries compete in this race to the bottom. This is the nature of world trade that western economies first promoted and now want to reign in.

The tug-of-war for global domination pits countries against each other, feeling obliged to take sides. This will have massive ramifications on environmental security and climate change all over the planet. The problem is, all sides know that domination requires economic heft: more manufacturing, more consumption, more trade, more energy and more transport. This will be a new justification to continue the old ways. And in this way, the "brown agenda" will see a comeback — even as the world talks about climate change and the need for ecological security. This will be true for India, as much as for the rest of the world. With one big difference: in the past 30 years, the world could squander away the time fiddling and fibbing about the need for environment and climate change. But in the coming 30 years, this strategy will not work. Nature is on a rampage. It is a race against time. And time is not on our side.

(Source: Down to Earth- Sunita Narain)

Pre-COP 26 in Milan: preparations taking place

Each Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is preceded by a preparatory meeting held about a month before, called Pre-COP. It brings together climate and energy ministers from a selected group of countries to discuss key political aspects of the negotiations and delve into some of the negotiating topics at COP26 in a month's time in Glasgow, UK. Italy hosted this conference in Milan, (30 September – 2 October 2021). It was attended by 40-50 countries, its secretariat and a number of stakeholders from civil society who play a key role in the fight against climate change or in the transition to sustainable development.

Last week the Youth version of the COP 26 Climate Summit also took place in Milan: 400 young people were invited. Hundreds of young people led by Swedish activist Greta Thunberg marched to demand swift climate action. The Fridays for Future marches that brought large crowds of youth together in cities across the globe were interrupted by two years of the coronavirus pandemic.

Pressure is building on world leaders to make deeper cuts in emissions and give poorer countries more money to develop cleaner energy and adapt to the worsening impacts of the climate crisis which could push more than 200 million people to leave their homes by 2050, warned the World Bank. It called on states to reduce emissions and bridge the development gap to avoid water scarcity, decreasing crop productivity and rising sea levels. Environmental threats are worsening conflicts worldwide and will soon constitute the biggest challenge to human rights, the United Nations has warned. UN rights chief Michelle Bachet said on Monday climate change, pollution, and nature loss are severely affecting human rights.

At a dialogue in Rotterdam, the Netherlands called for COP26 climate talks to treat adaptation as "urgent" and to hammer out a clear call to action. On the heels of last month's warning from the UN climate science panel (the IPCC) that extreme weather and rising seas are hitting faster than expected, leaders have called for more money and political will. They said adaptation – which ranges from building higher flood defences to growing more drought-tolerant crops and relocating coastal communities – had not benefited from the same attention, resources or level of action as efforts to cut emissions. That has left communities worldwide "exposed to a climate emergency unfolding faster than predicted", they said. The meeting heard from representatives of African nations, small island developing states and other climate-vulnerable countries. They spoke of how communities are struggling with unusually severe flooding, droughts and storms, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic, setting back hard-won development gains and uprooting people into city slums or even across national borders after finding it impossible to survive on their land.

Millions of lives and the safety of communities around the world are already at stake. A massively scaled-up investment in adaptation and resilience is critical for those at the front lines of the climate crisis. Only about a fifth of climate finance has been channelled to adaptation efforts and only a fraction of the estimated \$70bn that developing countries need now to cope with the effects of global warming -is being provided.

The Green Column appears bi-monthly in the News and Notes. We report on Green Issues in Auroville, the Bioregion and the wider World. We like to hear from you! avgreencenter@auroville.org.in

For the AV Green Center, Lisbeth & Gijs

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS & HEALING ARTS

DANCE OFFERING



We are back to weekly sessions of Dance Offering: Listening – Allowing-Unfolding-Celebrating-Offering

Welcome to the space where we explore & express, release & ground, connect & co create through free authentic movement & expression.

Welcome to sweat your prayers or/and simply enjoy free dancing.

(If you are little insecure & it gives you reassurance, you can dance a wave of 5 rhythms or Biodanza, or any other form you relate to, on the journey towards formless)

For adults of all ages, genders, abilities.

Mondays, 5 – 7pm, Harmony Hall, Bharat Nivas

TAI CHI HALL IN SHARNGA PRESENTS

The Art Of Chi – Stevanovitch's Method

Tai Chi Chuan Workshop

18 October to 23 October, 2021



From Monday to Saturday, 7.30 AM – 10.30 AM

Beginners, chi and tai chi basics, 24-posture form

Taught by Krishna, the workshop is essentially directed towards

- Mastery of the body through breathing and muscular relaxation; ·
- Improvement of movement through balance and co-ordination;
- Learning to mobilize Chi. First perceiving it, then guiding it in one's body with the use of three factors: will, imagination and muscular activity.

Information and booking: taichi@auroville.org.in

Website: taichi.auroville.org, www.artduchi.com

TAROT CARD READING & ANGEL THERAPY



Tarot Reading & angel therapy available for in- person & online consultation at Auromode Yoga space.

Please connect with us to immerse yourself in a healing environment for your growth and transformation.

Email contact@auromodeyogaspaces.com or

Call us at +91- 8867733787.

Best Regards, Bala

EDIBLE WEEDS

Edible Weeds
Urban Garden Workshop

Edible Weeds Grow All Around Us!

They have many health benefits, high nutritional value and unique tastes. This is a perfect way to start growing your own food.

Take home your own edible weed garden!

Date: Oct 9, 2021
Farm Tour: 11:30 am
Lunch: 12:30 pm
Workshop: 2:30 pm

Register On Whatsapp
9843319260



PITANGA: UPDATES ON YOGA CLASSES AND THERAPIES

Teen Yoga – twice a week

Lisbeth is welcoming students of Auroville schools and from the age of 10 – 18 years to Teen Yoga classes. These are regular classes.

Every Monday and Wednesday, 4 – 5 pm.

All old students are welcomed.

Interested new students may contact the Pitanga reception desk to register.

Iyengar Yoga classes with Tatiana

Will pause from 9th October till end of November.

New Yoga classes with Rachel

Rachel has been volunteering in Auroville for a long time. She has a professional background in teaching Hatha Yoga, which she constantly develops. Recently, she has started her newcomer process and dedicates her service in Auroville to teaching Yoga at Pitanga. We welcome Rachel ... and you to her classes!

Gentle Yoga practice

Monday / Wednesday / Saturday 7.30 – 9.00

This practice is suitable for all practitioners willing to start the day with a nice and mild yoga practice and bringing the inner smile into your day.

Mixed level – drop in

Monday 15.00 – 16.30

Thursday 10.30 – 12.00

Friday 09.30 – 10.30

Friday 17.00 – 18.30

Everyone is welcomed.

Asanas on alignments

Tuesday / Thursday 15.00 – 16.30

These classes are meant for yoga practitioners who are willing to go deeper in their practice through the alignment of the body and mind.

Hatha Flow

Tuesday 10.30 – 12.00

Wednesday 17.00 – 18.30

Saturday 15.00 – 16.30

Hatha Yoga in a very fluid way letting you connect with your inner space.

Shamballa Reiki

Shamballa Reiki is an energy healing system developed by spiritual teacher John Armitage. It is also known as the Shamballa Multidimensional Healing System. This healing system combines the principles of Reiki, introduced by Mikao Usui in the early 20th century, with those of Shamballa, an ancient metaphysical teaching with roots in Tibet and India.

While the practice of Shamballa Reiki is a healing modality it also has a spiritual nature where it helps to create a strong connection to your higher self, love and powerful healing energies.

Pierre S., known to us for facilitating the meditations at the Peace Table at Unity Pavilion, has been practicing and teaching Shamballa Reiki for 25 years. He is offering treatments at Pitanga for those who are open to using the Universal Energy, we call Reiki, to keep us aligned during the immense shift we are all going through. In his observation "the cosmic clock is turning; the Universal Energy remains the same". Thank you, Pierre, for joining the team at Pitanga!

A treatment promotes healing and offers a deep relaxation as well as grounding. Pierre is practicing Shamballa Reiki as a base to help transmuting the memories of the past and calmly tuning in our new Paradigm.

Planned are also workshops at Pitanga for those who wish to learn the different levels of Shamballa Reiki. They will be announced separately.

If you wish to receive a treatment of Shamballa Reiki, please book your appointment at Pitanga's reception desk.

If you wish to register for any of Pitanga's activities, please call us at 262 2403 or write to us at: pitanga@auroville.org.in

As per present Covid security measures pre-booking for yoga classes is mandatory.

See you at Pitanga, with a smile !

SERENDIPITY PROGRAMS

Mindfulness 2 months course with Jass

Every Tuesday from 6.30 to 8 pm

Starting on October 12th

In these 8 sessions we will explore the nature of mindfulness, how it can be practised, what obstacles we may have to practising it, and discover how mindfulness can lead us to inner growth. We will cover different basic aspects of mindfulness, its history and evolution, key meditation practices (both formal and informal), deep sharing sessions in group, and an introduction to relevant scientific research.

You will start learning how to slow down and give deep rest to mind and body, how to hold difficult thoughts and emotions without being swept away by them, how to become aware of deeply ingrained habit patterns, how to transform them, and how to gain insight into the unconscious sets of beliefs and hidden emotions that motivate our behavior.

Daily homework practices will help you put this understanding into practice and start making lasting changes in your life. The cost of the program is Rs. 1000 / month, 50 % discount for Auroville volunteers and Aurovilians. For detailed information please check our website <https://serendipity.auroville.org>

Introduction to Integral Yoga & Awareness Through the Body

2 Months Course with Stefania and Giovanni

Every Wednesday from 7.30 to 9 am

Starting on October 13th

The first part of every session is made of personal reflective moments based on Sri Aurobindo's scripts, in which we are able to get first hand to the source of inner knowledge and in which we allow ourselves to share our deep feelings and insights aimed at a communal spiritual progress together with our fellow companions in this path of yoga.

The second part of every session is made of exercises mainly taken from a practice system called Awareness Through The Body, in order to get practical experiences leading to the path of integral yoga. Specifically, through a wide variety of exercises and games, we will offer practical opportunities to the individuals and the group, to come to know ourselves better, to explore the complexity of our being, and find ways to integrate and harmonise this complexity around our inmost centre.

The cost of the program is Rs. 1000 / month, 50 % discount for Auroville volunteers and Aurovilians. For detailed information please check our website <https://serendipity.auroville.org>





CENTER FOR RESEARCH EDUCATION

EXPERIENCE IN VISUAL ARTS

Art Sessions for October 2021

- Confirm your presence with us at least a day before the class.
- Watercolor Landscape painting with A.Sathya on 11th and 18th Mon 5-7pm.
- Outdoor Animals sketch and painting on 25th Mon 2:30-5:30pm.
- Sangarapranan offers Painting The Music on Wednesday 10 -11:30am
- Drawing and painting on Wed 2:00-3:30pm, and Clay work on Sat 2:00-3:30pm.
- Explore Color with Audrey on Fri 9:30-11:30am.
- Drawing with Life model on Sat 9-11am.

Welcome to "Open Studio".

It is a space to explore and experience your own passion for art.

Contact: Abhijit Roy +91 7517394469.

Contact: Audrey +91 9489408358, 0413-2622641.

Sathya +91 9486145072, creeva@auroville.org.in

Creeva Art Studio, Creativity, Auroville.

Warmly, Sathya

Yoga of Inner Discovery

2 Months Course with Stefania

Every Wednesday from 5.30 to 7 pm

Starting on October 13th

This yoga of self-discovery focus on areas of transformation, identifying and promoting intentions and what truly motivates each person, in an environment based on safety and respect.

This provides a valuable learning and life experience, which can be precious in developing your own guidance and as a support in your journey, giving sound foundations for exploring deep dynamics, healing blocks and restoring fragmented parts.

To achieve such a deep exploration of our being, we will use techniques and exercises from shamanism, psychosynthesis and a number of other practices of self-discovery.

This approach considers each individual unique in terms of purpose in life and places value on the exploration of human potential; it combines spiritual development with psychological healing by including the life journey of an individual or their unique path to self-realization.

The cost of the program is Rs. 1000 / month, 50 % discount for Auroville volunteers and Aurovilians. For detailed information please check our website <https://serendipity.auroville.org>

Hatha Yoga with Bala

Every Thursday from 7.30 to 8.45 am

Starting on October 14th

Yoga is a life style which allows us to balance our physical and mental health. In our yoga class we will concentrate on Asanas, Pranayama and Meditation. Morning classes will be dynamic and we will use the principles of Hatha and Vinyasa practices, concentrating on movement and flow. Instead, the evening class will be more restorative and relaxed, based on Sivananda style Hatha Yoga.

However, every class is organic and the structure of the session will evolve depending on the group of practitioners in that particular class.

We will strengthen & relax each and every part of our body: mainly core, hips etc. The cost of the class is Rs. 300, 50 % discount for Auroville volunteers and Aurovilians, plus additional monthly discounts. For detailed information please check our website <https://serendipity.auroville.org>

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WOMEN TEMPLE



Welcome into the circle of Women exploring & connecting through embodied practises. (prayer, movement, conscious touch, self inquiry.)

If you hear a whisper or a roar of 'yes' from within you , pls register on 9786658967

Wednesday, 13 October, 5 – 7pm

DME DI CLOWN ACADEMY: LIVE! LOVE! LAUGH!

LIVE! LOVE! LAUGH!



ALL WELCOME!
Have fun!
Gain confidence,
meet new friends,
reconnect
with old friends

Thursdays: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Pavilion of Tibetan Culture

- Self-care through laughter, pranayama, mindfulness, meditation
- Solve challenges using laughter and play
- Stimulate creativity and imagination through play
- De-stress and learn to love yourself and others



*MeDiClown Academy is a registered activity under the Arts Service of the Auroville Foundation

www.mediclownacademy.org

AYURVEDIC MASSAGE



Laure gives Ayurvedic massage at Auromode. Sessions last for 1h or 1h30. Available on Tuesday and Friday afternoon and weekends. Book a slot with her: 8300041041

Thanks, Laure



QUIET HEALING CENTER



www.quiethealingcenter.info/quiet@auroville.org.in
 +91 413 2622329/+91 9488084966 (mobile)

Deep Nourishing – Earth & Water

A Residential Retreat with Dariya

Friday 22 October (3 pm) – Monday 25 October (noon)

Reconnecting to your inner resources... awakening a sense of celebration, gratitude and honouring the sacred in your daily life...

This RESIDENTIAL retreat includes:

- Embodied practices: dance, movement, aquatic explorations, breath work, meditation, rituals...
- Deep listening: relaxing and giving space to your feelings and inner wisdom
- Being and expressing yourself in your unique, authentic ways
- Creating a “Vision Board” – a visual imprint of your next intentions on your path...
- Living in a beautiful space with nourishing food

You might walk away feeling nurtured and deeply connected...

Testimonial: “Coming out of this retreat I feel centered, grounded, energised, empowered and inspired.

I am so grateful to you for creating such a safe space that enabled us to surrender and allow whatever needed to rise to the surface and support us in meeting this with acceptance, compassion and kindness...

There was a beautiful sense of community and connection that developed and I felt unconditionally accepted by everyone involved, which has had a profound impact on me.”

Student of body-mind-spirit modalities

Oceanic Bodywork Aqua – OBA® 1

with Dariya & Daniel

Tuesday 12 – Sunday 17 October 2021

8.45 am – 6.30 pm (lunch included)

OBA is a deeply relaxing form of aquatic bodywork in a warm water pool.

It combines in a unique way elements of soft stretching, deep tissue massage and joint release, as well as energy and breath work both above and below the water surface; especially designed movements allow your whole spine to swing and your energy to flow again.

OBA invites you to experience the healing energies of water in a new way, during which chronic physical pain as well as emotional tensions can be released.

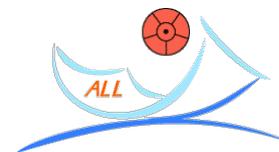
Above all, it invites you to experience again the nurturing qualities of being held and loved, and to rediscover trust, peace within yourself, and a sense of coming home.

During this 6-day course, you’ll learn the various movements and techniques of this wonderful bodywork after which you’ll be able to offer a complete session to your friends and acquaintances.

Regular Offerings October 2021

Therapeutic Treatments	Therapists
Acupuncture	Linda
Aquatic Bodywork (Watsu® / Oba® / Liquid Flow / Waterdance)	Daniel, Dariya, Friederike, Guido, Orev, Ursula
Ayurvedic Ahbyanga Massage	Marcia
Ayurvedic Birenda Massage	Kumar
Ayurvedic Marma Massage	Kumar
Body Psychotherapy	Marcia
Craniosacral Therapy	Shola
Deep Tissue Massage	Andrei
Foot Reflexology	Sheida
Homeopathy	Michael Z.
Hypnosis Therapy	Shola
Individual Meditation Sessions	Samrat
Kahuna Massage	Anwar
Lymph Drainage	Dodo
Physiotherapy (Pt)	Jussi
Thai Yoga Massage	Andres, Sheida

NEWS FROM AUROVILLE LANGUAGE LAB



Mobile Phones @ The Lab!

Please ensure mobile phones are either on **Airplane Mode** or **switched off** when entering the building! We maintain a wireless-free space, as well as to avoid disruptions to Tomatis & language classes. Thank you for understanding!

Cashless Transactions:

The Language Lab has already been pretty much cashless & working only with online transfers since quite a while, as most Aurovilians use the Financial Service for their transfers. This was extended to non-Aurovilians (e.g. Auroville employees, guests, etc) once we got our UPI payment option several months ago.

Anyhow, this is a reminder that **there will be absolutely no cash payments accepted at the Lab.** Thank you!

Av Employee Status

For all **Auroville Employees** that would like to join a course at the Lab, we kindly request that we receive a letter from the Employer (a registered unit/service), or the Employer must email us (at all@auroville.org.in, giving the name & number of the employee) on their Employee’s behalf. In the case of ammas, gardeners, etc of Auroville Communities & homes, we ask that the Aurovillian where they are working should send us an email, or provide a handwritten letter to their employee, where we can then provide the Employee Rate.

New Language Courses!

Total Beginner English

Rupam will start a **Total Beginner English** course for 3 months. This is for people who absolutely do not know how to read, write or speak English at all. We know there are several people, especially women, in Auroville, in that situation. The students of the previous pre-Covid lockdown group were very happy with their progress. A new group is starting, so, if you know anyone who could benefit, of any nationality, please ask them to contact the Lab ASAP. Priority will be given to Aurovilians, Newcomers, Family of Aurovilians, & Auroville Employees.

Beginner Spanish!

Mila is to start a new **Beginner group**, also to start in October, in the afternoons.

The Spanish Beginner's course is a practical introduction to the Spanish language. We follow "Madrigal's Magic Key to Spanish: A Creative & Proven Approach", a number one book to learn Spanish in USA.

During the 3-month introduction course, students will learn:

- The Spanish alphabet, phonetics, listening & reading skills,
- Extensive vocabulary (more than 1000 Spanish words) that derives from English through simple rules,
- How to create verbs from nouns, learning a large set of Spanish verbs,
- Verb conjugations for past, present & future tenses for regular verbs,
- Adverbs, adjectives, & formation of sentences,
- To write and speak using all the material learnt.

Kindly inform us if you would like to join this course!

Beginner Hindi!

Rupam is ready to start a group for **Beginner Hindi** in October! This course will take place in the mornings, Wednesdays & Fridays.

Please note that the Hindi language is a beautiful and engaging language to learn, and needs regular attendance, because the course content is structured sequentially.

We still need at least 3 students to get started! If you are seriously interested and willing to make a commitment for 3 months, please do not hesitate to contact us.

In this 3-month course, the content is:

- Building confidence in conversation,
- Introduction to grammar,
- Reciting poems,
- Exploring Navarasa (the 9 emotions),
- Playing Antakshari,
- Singing & relishing the beauty of the Hindi language.

Please let us know if you would like to join!!

Italian Update

Originally from Italy, Enzo is ready to teach Italian to the community. We already have 2 students and, as soon as we reach a minimum of 5, we can start in October. So if you are curious to learn & explore **Beginner Italian**, please give us a call or send us an email!

Rachel is back!

And she would love to start a group for **Spanish Conversation** on Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00pm.

If you would like to join, please give us a call or send us an email, we already have 3 students and, once we reach a minimum of 5, we will be ready to start.

Tomatis

The Tomatis programs are going on but we are still not taking new people right now. (Collateral damage due to Crown Road pressures). We have noted all requests so far. New requests can be sent by email to Tomatis@aurovillelanguage.org. Huge and deep apologies to all those who have done their Listening Tests but not had their Consultations. We will get back to all of you as soon as humanly possible.

Please fill out our form at <http://register.auroville-language.org/> to join, or inquire about, any language classes at the Lab! As well as drop us an email or call!

Please Note:

Registration (correct contact details on our database, plus payment/contribution) is important when joining a course with us. Please see our team member at the front desk to ensure this is complete before joining a course, thank you!

ALL: Schedule Of Classes as of 24.09.2021

Language	Level	Time	Day(s) of Classes
English	Complete Beginners!	To be determined! Inquiries Welcome!	
	Beginner & Pre- Intermediate	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Tuesday & Thursday
	Intermediate	03:00 pm - 04:00 pm	Wednesday & Friday
	Intermediate/Advanced	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Saturday
French	NEW Beginner	To be determined! Inquiries Welcome!	
German	A1.1 Beginner	04:00 pm – 05:30 pm	Tuesday & Thursday
Hindi	NEW Beginner (on hold)	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Wednesday & Friday
Tamil	Spoken Beginner	09:30 am – 10:30 am	Tuesday & Thursday
	Written & Spoken Beg	04:30 pm – 05:30 pm	Monday & Thursday
Spanish	NEW Beginner	02:30 pm – 03:30 pm	Tuesday & Friday
	Intermediate	03:30 pm – 05:00 pm	Monday & Friday

The Language Lab is open:

Monday–Friday, 9:00am – 12:00pm & 2:00pm – 5:00 pm, Saturday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Location:

International Zone, after Unity Pavilion & Pump House.

Phone: (0413) 2623 661, 4036920/22.

Email: info@aurovillelanguage.org

ARKA WELLNESS CENTER & MULTIPURPOSE HALL

*Covid SOP must be followed.



Treatments

Treatment	Practitioner	Time
Body Logic & Deep Tissue Massage.	Pepe 9943410987	Monday to Saturday
Cranio Sacral, Lomi Lomi Kahuna Massage, Bare Foot Body Massage.	Silvana 9047654157	Monday to Saturday
Facial, Manicure, Pedicure, Threading, Waxing, Hair Cuts, Hair Colouring, Henna Colouring.	Meha 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Orthopedist & Naturopath offering Foot Reflexology & Metamorphic treatment following Haptosynesia.	Alexandre 9500278523	Monday to Saturday
Shiatsu, Thai Yoga Massage, Osteothai, Somatic Bodywork.	Marco 8778839827	Monday, Friday & Saturday
Chinese Fire Cupping and Moxibustion Therapy.	Chun 8098900708	Monday to Saturday
Ayurvedic Massage, Garshana with wool and silk gloves, Chinese Anmo and Energy Techniques.	Mukta 9655422346	Monday to Saturday

Classes

Acro Yoga	Damien 9047722740	Monday to Saturday
Pilates Classes	Teresa 7867998952	Tuesday & Thursday 7:30-8:30am Appointment.
Iyengar Yoga	Olesya 9159052743	Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 6:30-8:00am. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 5:00-6:30pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NEWS & NOTES

Hard deadline for submissions or cancellations: Tuesday 3pm



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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.
- Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent in English only to 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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CINEMA PARADISO
Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
 Film Program
 11 October 2021 to 17 October 2021

Cinema Paradiso-Multimedia Center is in operation at 50% seating capacity as per the regulations. It is open to all. Mask is a must (and not scarves etc.) as well as standard Covid19 protocols. Please come and enjoy the films. To organize a seminar/program please contact us via email.

Indian – Monday 11 October, 7:30 pm
THE MOSQUITO PHILOSOPHY

India, Writer-Dir. Jayaprakash Radhakrishnan w/ Suresh Kumar, Sindhu Jayaprakash, Ravi Kathiresan, and others, Drama, 70mins, Tamil w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)

This film is an interrogation of a society caught in the maze of tradition and modernity. In the story, the middle-aged protagonist, Suresh, a man with radical and progressive outlook, announces his upcoming wedding to his friends one evening. This came as a surprise to all. Under sustained interrogation Suresh admits to consenting to the marriage only to please his mother. While a friendly banter follows directed at Suresh, each person also confronts the hollowness of her/his beliefs. A rendezvous led to making of this film – without a rehearsal, retake, or script. It is a real paced inquiry into life and belief facilitated by the director. *The director will be present in-person for a brief Q&A after the screening. Don't Miss!*

Interesting – Wednesday 13 October, 7:30 pm:
• Roadrunner: A Film About Anthony Bourdain

USA, 2021, Dir. Morgan Neville w/Anthony Bourdain (archival footage), Ottavia Bourdain, David Chang, and others, Documentary, 118mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: R.

It's not where you go. It's what you leave behind... Chef, writer, adventurer, provocateur – Anthony Bourdain lived his life unabashedly. This film, by the Academy Award winning director, offers an intimate, behind-the-scenes look at how an anonymous chef became a world-renowned cultural icon. The film reverberates with Bourdain's presence, in his own voice and in the way he indelibly impacted the world around him. *If you have been a fan, you cannot miss this. If you did not know who he was, find out through this film, made with so much care and compassion towards the tragic hero.*

International – Saturday, 16 October, 7:30 pm
This Is Not a Burial, It's a Resurrection

South Africa-Italy-USA-Lesotho, 2019, Writer-Dir. Lemohang Jeremiah Mosese w/Mary Twala, Jerry Mofokeng, Makhaola Ndebele, and others, Drama, 120mins, Sotho w/English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)

In this critically acclaimed film, Mantoa, an 80-year-old widow, is preparing for the end by arranging her own funeral and bidding farewell to worldly affairs. However, her homeland is being converted into a dam and the residents must be resettled. Threatened with forced resettlement due to reservoir construction, Mantoa finds a new will to live and ignites the spirit of resilience within her community. *Don't Miss!*

Children's Matinee – Sunday, 17 October, 4:30 pm
OVER THE MOON

USA, 2020, Dir. Glen Keane w/ Glen Keane, Brycen Hall, Ruthie Ann Miles and others, Animation, 95mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

In this animated musical, a girl builds a rocket ship and blasts off, hoping to meet a mythical moon goddess.

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. We appreciate your continued support. Pl 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

APPENDIX 1

CITY SERVICES CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS

September 2021

A more detailed report is available on the Auronet

Summary	Total
Buffer Opening Balance (BOB)	90,869,698
Monthly Contributions (Int. + Ext)	31,517,442
Total Contributions (OB+Monthly Inc)	122,387,140
Total Payments	20,905,675
CS Ending Balance (Includes BOB)	101,481,465
Monthly loss/gain	10,611,767

Internal Contributions

Source	Total
Commercial Units	7,101,176
Services	7,607,136
Aurovilians, Newcomers, & Friends	1,725,130
Internal Total	16,433,442

External Contributions

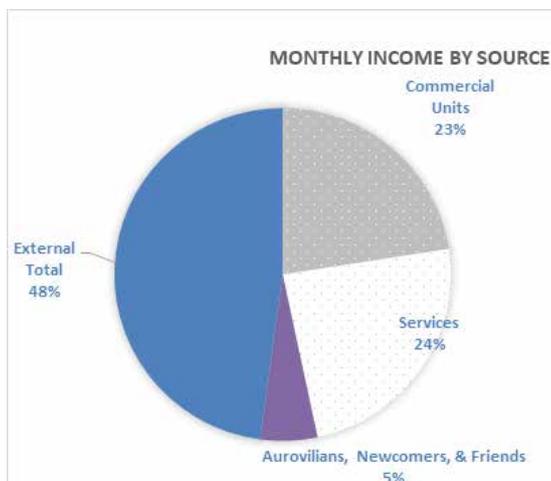
Government of India for SAIER	-
Government of India for Other	-
Other Contribution	-
Project Contributions	-
Foreign Contributions	15,084,000
External Total	15,084,000

City Services Payment

Heading	Total Payments
Education	3,457,709
Social Support	2,989,309
Prosperity Services	2,184,649
Children & Youth	2,142,501
Organization	1,769,073
Health	1,383,646
Village Education	1,145,196
Forests	1,111,301
Security	643,885
Culture & Sports	629,679
Housing	624,754
Farms	585,003
Outreach	579,475
Roads, Cycle Paths, & Transport	521,251
Contingency	390,609
Land	374,011
Matrimandir	173,004
City Planning	150,394
Utilities	32,674
Projects	17,553
Total	20,905,675

Contribution Details

Commercial Unit	Total in 33%	Total Contribution
Sunlit Future	2,113,880	2,113,880
Conscious Living	606,940	611,940
AV Consulting	422,555	434,855
Maroma	406,940	422,940
Tanto	362,630	372,630
Sound Wizard	267,350	270,850
Svaram	174,290	174,290
Cadd Studio	156,940	171,540
Pitchandikulam Forest Consul	113,880	113,880
Yuvabe	93,030	93,030
AV Bakery	92,990	92,990
La Ferme Cheese	90,269	90,269
Aureka	87,760	89,760
Right Path Café (VC Café)	67,599	68,099
Cynergy	67,350	67,350
Pottery Sipapu	64,702	164,702
Auromics	64,700	73,700
Aurospirul	60,410	61,410
C3Stream Land Designs	60,260	60,260
Painting Service	58,470	58,470
AFA-Aurora	50,240	50,240
Hers	45,410	45,410
Catami/Dreamers Coffee	43,470	43,470
Miniature	42,350	42,350
Shradanjali	36,940	36,940
Aqua Dyn Research	34,741	34,741
Auroville Energy Products	33,470	33,470
Coffee Ideas	26,940	26,940
Eco Femme	26,025	26,025
MG Ecoduties	23,470	23,470
Magica	22,410	22,410
EV Future	21,940	21,940
Aurorachana	20,940	22,940
Aurinoco Systems	20,820	20,820
Aurodent	20,820	20,820
Capability	20,410	20,410
AV Online Store	17,350	17,350
Kallialay Surf School	17,350	17,350
AVA-Wasteless	17,350	17,350
Flame	16,940	17,940
Sciro Pizza	16,940	16,940
ASSA-Ilion	15,615	15,615
Nowana	15,615	15,615
DUSTUDIO	13,880	13,880



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

Earth Institute	13,880	13,880
La Terrace	13,880	13,880
Naturellement	13,880	13,880
Progress Landscape	13,880	14,380
Tree Care	13,880	13,880
Gastronomica	13,880	13,880
Avitra	13,410	26,410
Varuna (To Comm:Rs.24 lakh)	13,390	63,390
Eco Pro	12,410	12,410
ADPS (Aurelec)	11,287	11,287
Auroville Papers	10,410	14,610
New Dawn Carpentry	10,410	10,410
Sumark	10,410	10,410
Imago	10,410	10,410
M&M Cheese	10,410	10,410
Worktree	10,410	10,410
Café 73	10,410	10,410
Tree House Community	10,410	10,410
AAS-Mona	8,675	8,675
Nala Builders	8,440	8,440
H & S Design	8,355	8,355
The Colors Of Nature	7,940	7,940
Arthena	6,940	6,940
Artisan Revolution	6,940	6,940
Auroyali Production	6,940	6,940
Aurosoya	6,940	7,140
Comfort Design	6,940	6,940
Deepam Candles	6,940	6,940
Eutecne	6,940	6,940
Eye See	6,940	6,940
Holistic	6,940	6,940
Boutique Visitors Center	6,940	6,940
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
Omega	6,940	7,190
Papui And Somethingelse	6,940	6,940
Pragati Construction	6,940	6,940
Tapasya Design Studio	6,940	6,940
Filaure	6,940	6,940
Mereville Trust	6,940	6,940
Natura	6,940	6,940
Auro Lakshimi Construction	6,940	6,940
AVA-150 DPI	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
Perceptive Eye	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Raman Constructions	6,940	6,940
School for sust. Management	6,940	6,940
ASSA-Studio One	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
ASSA-Unitary	6,940	6,940
La Maison Boutique	6,470	6,470
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
CSR-AV Design Consultants	3,470	3,470
AV Language Lab	3,470	3,470
Auroville Press Publishers	3,470	3,470
Roads in Construction	3,470	3,470
Auzolan	3,470	3,470
Bon	3,470	5,470
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
Happy Food	3,470	3,470
Kottakarai Food Processing	3,470	3,470
Light Fish	3,470	3,470
Linea Dental	3,470	3,470
Mukti Accounting	3,470	3,470
New Creation Corner Frites	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-Aire	3,470	3,470

ASSA-Artomic	3,470	3,470
AVA-Aurosystemica	3,470	3,470
AVA-Brainfever Media Produ.	3,470	3,470
AFA-Essence of Nature	3,470	3,470
AVA-Flametree Web Softwar	3,470	3,470
AVA-Food Laboratory	3,470	3,470
AVA-Hemplanet	3,470	3,470
AVA-Insapes	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
The Neem Tree	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
Bamboo Center Auroville	3,470	3,470
Taboo	3,470	3,470
Auro Bacio	3,470	3,470
AVA-Centre de Soins Naturell	3,470	3,470
AVA-Happy Art Glass Studio	3,470	3,470
Iruita Dreams	3,470	3,470
AVARTS-Aavartan Studio	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-BHU Nausheen	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-Medi Clown	3,470	3,470
AVARTS/Birdie	3,470	3,470
LEAD-IPK Activities	3,470	3,470
AV ARTS-Valentina Beatriz	3,470	3,470
AVA-Natraj	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
The Drone Zone	3,470	3,470
AVA-LuMa	3,470	3,470
Mancala	3,470	3,470
MAT JIP	3,470	3,470
Hands For Earth	3,470	3,470
AVARTS/CRYSTAL ART & CRA	3,470	3,470

Wood Concept	3,470	3,470
Ganesh Bakery	3,000	3,000
ASSA-Selvam Multip. Team	3,000	3,000
Unity Transport Service	2,000	2,000
AVA-Cocoon	1,735	1,735
LEAD-Integral Learning Cent.	1,735	1,735
AVA-Sarvam Computer	1,735	1,735
MATTRAM	1,735	1,735
Stone Age Handicraft	1,000	1,000
AVA-Oceans	1,000	1,000
Kola Mandala	500	500
LEAD-INNER BODY WORK	188	188
Inside India	-	350
Boutique D` Av Pondy	-	500
Naturally Auroville	-	3,000
ASSA-Eternal	-	1,500
Total	6,846,276	7,101,176
Percent of Total	96%	100%

Service	Total in 20%	Total Contribution
Auromode GH	103,402	103,402
Isai Ambalam GH	63,155	63,155
Center GH	60,872	64,672
Gaia's Garden GH	59,798	59,798
New Creation GH	56,800	56,800
Afsanah GH	51,876	52,676
Sharnga GH	47,410	47,410
Atithi Griha GH	43,003	43,003
Samarpan GH	40,186	40,186
Arka GH	30,110	30,110
SERENDIPITY COLLECTION	27,462	27,462
Swagatham GH	22,465	22,465
EUU – Sonja & Umberto GH	19,400	19,400
Samasti GH	14,619	14,619
EUU-La Maison Bleue GH	13,817	13,817
EUU – Transformation GH	12,874	12,874
EUU – Casa Luna GH	12,106	12,106
Aspiration GH	11,782	11,782
Tibetan Bodkhang	10,576	10,576
Verite GH	9,111	9,111
SAILER-Mitra GH	8,807	8,807
EUU – Selveraj GH	8,595	8,595

SAIIR-Youth Camp GH	7,770	7,770
Needam GH	6,940	6,940
Tanto (Beach GH: Rs.1.02lak)	6,940	6,940
EUU Moongate GH	6,940	6,940
EUU-Suganya GH	6,800	6,800
Abundance GH	5,400	5,400
EUU – Lotus GH	5,000	5,000
EUU-Sita Nivas GH	4,600	4,600
EUU-Nandhanam GH	3,900	3,900
EUU Siddhartha Forest GH	3,800	3,800
EUU – Creativity GH	3,470	3,470
FRM-Buddha Garden Coll.	3,470	3,470
Discovery GH	3,024	3,024
EUU-Martuvam GH	3,000	3,000
EUU-Ramachandran GH	3,000	3,000
EUU-Elumalai & Sarasu GH	2,760	2,760
Reve GH	2,480	2,480
EUU-Nishita GH	2,400	2,400
Savitri Bhavan Hostel	1,735	1,735
EUU-Harsha GH	1,600	1,600
EUU – Vikas GH	1,500	1,500
EUU – Kofpu GH	316	316
Subtotal	815,071	819,671
Net Additional Guest Contribut.	325,475	325,475
Total	1,140,546	1,145,146

Service	Total	Total Contribution
Financial Services	5,579,240	5,598,580
CS-Visitor Center Parking	475,086	475,086
Botanical Garden	67,665	67,665
50th Anniversary	47,755	47,755
CSR	34,700	34,700
CS-Working Committee	27,760	27,760
Quiet Healing Centre	20,820	21,820
SAIIR – Foreign	19,650	19,650
Birth Center	13,880	13,880
Visitor Center	12,145	12,145
CS-FAMC	10,410	10,410
Auroville Vehicle Service	6,940	6,940
Auroville Video Production	6,940	6,940
Citadine	6,940	6,940
Korean Pavillion	6,940	6,940

Electrical Services	3,470	3,470
Telephone Service	3,470	3,470
Auroville Village Action Grou	3,470	3,470
AWS/Water supply	3,470	3,470
AV Arts Service	3,470	3,470
Thamarai	3,470	3,470
La Piscine	3,470	3,470
Red Earth Riding School	3,470	3,470
SAIIR-Supportive Learning	3,470	3,470
Child Protection Service	3,470	3,470
FRM-Aurogreen Farm	3,470	3,470
FRM-Solitude Farm	3,470	3,470
Sewa	1,735	1,735
ABC	1,735	1,735
FRM-Ayarpaadi	1,735	1,735
Roads Service Collection	–	57,934
Total	6,383,716	6,461,990

Individual Contributions Details

Source	Total	Total Contribution
School Participation	77,270	77,270
Aurovilian	1,409,265	1,409,265
Newcomer	31,000	31,000
Friends of AV	207,595	207,595
Total	1,725,130	1,725,130

External Contribution Details

Source	Total	Total Contribution
Govern. of India for SAIIR	-	-
Other GOI	–	–
Other Contributions	–	–
Project Contributions	–	–
Foreign Contributions	15,084,000	15,084,000
External Total	15,084,000	15,084,000

