

## Message from the President, Mr. Paresh Amarchande to the Samaj on the occasion of Diwali

First of all I wish you all a Happy Diwali and a Prosperous New Year.

I want to thank everyone for being here on a very special day, celebrating our first Diwali after the foundation of our Samaj, Diu Vanza Darji Samaj UK.

We also apologize to all for having had very little time from the day the event was announced to the day the event was held.

I would like to thank Mrs. Parul Jassantilal, Mr. Nitin Jasvantlal, Mrs. Babita Champaclal and Mr. Dipac Canacsinh, who, although they initially planned this celebration in their personal name as they do every year, have had the gesture, goodwill and generosity of offering this event to the community so that the same was possible on behalf of Diu Vanza Darji Samaj UK and for that reason they need to be applauded.

I would like to commend and thank our team of IT Consultants, Mr. Dakshesh Hemendrarai, Mr. Vishal Arvinda, Miss Khiloni Dhiren, Mr. Vimal Paresh and Mr. Nuno Dhiren, for their excellent commitment to the execution of the publication and dissemination of documents through Facebook. Mr. Dakshesh, with the collaboration of other IT Consultants, is also working on the Website where we will begin to post information to our community.

I thank our Vice-President, Mr. Dipac Canacsinh who has done a great and excellent job in the preparation of the communications and the documents of the Constitution of our community. Also to Mr. Urmil Hasmucrai who has collaborated with Mr. Dipac Canacsinh to rectify the Gujarati translation of our Constitution.

And to Mr. Nahesh Canayalal, the Secretary who has accompanied the process of appreciation of the documents, and in the elaboration of the communications and their publication through WhatsApp.

I would also like to thank all the event managers, the volunteers and the members of the Management Committee for their support in bringing this event through.

An email account, a Facebook page, a Bank account and a Constitution of the Samaj have been created to facilitate communication with all the members of

the Samaj around the world. We are all still premature but with strong determination and courage. All united, we can move this project forward.

For the very first time in the history of our community an organization of our Samaj out of Diu has been created which is called Diu Vanza Darji Samaj UK. For that purpose, it was announced in the Management Committee's WhatsApp that members should draw possible logos for the Samaj. Of the several drawings the drawing made by Mr. Mohit Jitendra won the majority of the votes and today it has become a symbol of our Samaj. I thank and congratulate Mr. Mohit Jitendra for his contribution.

Since the foundation of our Samaj the receipt of voluntary contributions for the development of our Samaj has commenced. The funds collected up until now after necessary deductions are in the sum of £151. On behalf of the Management Committee I thank Mr. Sharad Chunilal from Mozambique who also has made a monetary contribution for the sum of £125 on the occasion of Navratri on behalf of his Father, the Late Mr. Chunilal Bhovanidas Unewal and family.

Our sincere thanks to Mr. Champaclal Mulchande in Lisbon, Portugal who had the kindness to announce our event last Sunday on his radio station, Radio Orbital, Swagatam Som do Oriente.

As we all know recently the first Navratri festival was celebrated by the members of our community in the city of Leicester and we would like to reiterate here publicly that it is a proud moment for our community. Our main objective of the creation of the Samaj is the unity within our community and the harmony among all of us.

We encourage all the members of our community to participate in the events held in any of our cities. If we participate in the festivities held by other communities why would we not participate in celebrations held within our own community?

We must always take into account that we should plan our events with other cities so that the dates do not overlap.

Moreover, anyone can hold their own event privately among friends and families as long as the dates do not coincide with the events of the Samaj.

I leave an appeal to our entire community that we must always remain united.

Lastly, I wish all the members of our community a Prosperous New Year full of joy, health and happiness.

Jai Shree Krishn

