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NEWSLETTER

KALI MANDIR IN NEWS

CHITTARANJAN PARK KALI MANDIR SOCIETY (REGD.)

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FROM PUJA DIVISION'S DESK

Dear Devotees and Friends,

ওঁ জবাকুসুমসঙ্কাশং কাশ্যপেয়ং মহদ্যুতিম্।
ধান্তারীং সর্বপাপঘ্নং প্রণতে হস্মি দিবাকরম্।।

We begin our daily religious journey by offering our pranam to Surya Dev, and then proceed with our daily chores.

The Puja Division of KMS is devoted in performing the rituals of religious activities to the highest possible level, keeping in view the sanctity of the Mandir and sentiments and beliefs of our esteemed devotees. During the month of January, 2025, we have organised the under mentioned pujas and events, with devotion. We would be organising more pujas and events during February, 2025:

1st January 2025 (Wednesday) NEW YEAR PUJA

A special Puja was organized to mark the beginning of the New Year, followed by the distribution of Bhog Prasad to all devotees, seeking blessings for a prosperous New Year ahead.

13th January 2025 (Monday) MONTHLY SATYANARAYAN PUJA

The Monthly Satyanarayan Puja was conducted with devotion and sincerity, invoking Lord Vishnu's blessings for peace and prosperity in the lives of all devotees.

18th January 2025 (Saturday) MONTHLY SHREE SHREE SHONI PUJA

The Monthly Shree Shree Shoni Puja was performed to honor Lord Shani, seeking protection and grace to overcome challenges and lead a righteous life.

27th January 2025 (Monday) RATANTI KALI PUJA

Ratanti Kali Puja was conducted with great reverence, dedicated to Maa Kalika, seeking her divine blessings for strength, courage, and protection.

28th January 2025 (Tuesday)

AMABASYA KALIKA PUJA

An auspicious night dedicated to the worship of Maa Kalika was observed with special rituals and prayers, seeking her divine blessings.

2nd February 2025 (Sunday)

BASANT PANCHAMI

Celebrated the arrival of spring and seeking the blessings of Goddess Saraswati.

9th February 2025 (Sunday)

BHAKTA SAMMELAN

A spiritual gathering of devotees for prayers, bhajans, and enlightening discourses. Esteemed speakers and spiritual leaders shared their wisdom, fostering a deeper connection with the divine.

26th February 2025 (Wednesday)

MAHA SHIVARATRI

Join us in worship and devotion to Lord Shiva on this sacred night. One of the mottos of KMS is "Devotees First". We have tried our best to live up to the motto.

May MAA KALIKA bless us all.

Anjanesh Bhattacharjee
Chairman

Subhankar Chatterjee
Convenor

Dear Devotees and Friends,

As you may have noticed, we have made some editorial changes this time. Instead of there being a message from me (From the Secretary's Desk) in every issue, we have decided to instead let the Head of Divisions / Departments report directly to you regarding any newsworthy activities from their areas of work. This will give you a chance to hear from them directly as well as getting to know them better. We hope this is a change that will be welcomed by all readers

Regards

Dr. Rajiv Nag

Secretary

SARASWATI PUJA



ভদ্রকাল্যে নমো নিতাং, সরস্বত্য়ে নমঃ নমঃ
বেদবেদান্ত বিদ্যা স্থানেভ্য এবচ।।

A feast to welcome spring-Basant Panchami delights from across India.

Saraswati Puja aka Basant Panchami (Bani Bandana) has been an important and popular occasion for kids, students, musicians and we, the general public seek Maa Saraswati's blessings.

Students community start the preparation for Basant Panchami "Goddess of Learning and Music, months ahead to celebrate this occasion in a befitting manner. In Kali Mandir Saraswati Puja was celebrated as a community puja on Sunday 2nd February, 2025. Amongst the dozen of Pujas celebrated in Chittaranjan Park, Saraswati Puja in Mandir Complex has a separate identity. The congregation of large number of students and their guardians amply demonstrated that. The initiation of alphabets equally demonstrated that. The initiation of learning e.g. *Hatey Khari* was most sought after ritual. It was fascinating to see the little kids carrying slate, chalk and fancy bags on their back, adorned in traditional "Dhoti" kurta visiting the temple holding the fingers of their parents and waiting for their turn to perform initiation of '*Hatey Khari*' by our respected Priests with a deep rooted belief that performance of '*Hatey Khari*' on this special day of Saraswati Puja enables a child to make good progress in his/her studies. More than 75 kids participated in the '*Hatey Khari*'. In the evening after Sandhya Arati, a scintillating cultural programme was presented by the local budding students.



Devotees partaking prasad

76TH REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

Celebrating the Past, Nurturing the Present and brightening the path towards a glorious future.



OBITUARY

Air Marshal Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay, PVSM, AVSM of G-1307, Chittaranjan Park left for his heavenly abode on 18th January, 2025. Our deepest condolences for the bereaved family. May his soul rest in peace.

OM SHANTI

KMS Health Care Bulletin

Mental Awareness: Breaking the Silence

The inaugural KMS Health Talk Series, held on January 19th at Netaji Subhash Hall, focused on the vital topic of Mental Awareness: Breaking the Silence. Attended by 70 participants, the event featured distinguished speakers, including Dr. Rajiv Nag (General Secretary, KMS), Mr. P.K. Das (President, KMS), and Mr. Ashok Bhattacharya (General Secretary, EBDP).

Highlights

Sushmita Roy, Medical Coordinator at KMS Healthcare Arogya, discussed the mental health challenges faced by students. Prof. Mausumi Bose presented findings from the Saans Wellness Project, highlighting philosophical counselling and midwifery techniques. Dr. Manish Sarkar, founder of Ehsaas, emphasized recognizing early signs of distress, and Dr. Partha Pratim Bose explored solutions like brain mapping, CBT, and REBT, stressing personalized approaches.

Community Outreach

A mental health questionnaire marked the launch of KMS's outreach program, led by a team under Dr. Bose's guidance, aimed at providing counselling and fostering awareness.

The event showcased KMS's commitment to addressing mental health challenges and empowering the community.



BHAKTA SAMMELAN

For the 1st time in the history of Kali Mandir a pious Bhakta Sammelan in association with the Religious Organisations in Delhi was arranged on Sunday 9th February 2025 at Kali Mandir premises. The day long Bhakta Sammelan covered devotion, enlightenment and spiritual togetherness.



Glimpses of Bhakta Sammelan



CALENDAR FROM 1st TO 28th FEBRUARY 2025

PUJAS AND OTHER EVENTS IN THE MANDIR

DATE	DAY	TIMINGS	EVENTS
02.02.2025	Sunday	-	Saraswati Puja
03.02.2025	Monday	Morning	Shital Shasthi
08.02.2025	Saturday	-	Ekadashi
09.02.2025	Sunday	Morning	Radhakrishna Mandir Pratistha Diwas / Bhakta Sammelan
11.02.2025	Tuesday	Evening	Satyanarayan Puja, Maghi Purnima
12.02.2025	Wednesday	-	Vishnu-padi Sankranti
15.02.2025	Saturday	Evening	Shoni Puja
24.02.2025	Monday	-	Ekadashi
26.02.2025	Wednesday	-	Maha Shivaatri Puja
27.02.2025	Thursday	Evening	Amabasya Kalika Puja
Sankirtan on Ekadashi Days (After Evening Arati)			
08.02.2025	Saturday	Evening	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
24.02.2025	Monday	-	Sankirtan by Hari Sabha
Religious Discourses			
09.02.2025	Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Bhakta Sammelani by KMS.
09.02.2025	Sunday	Evening	Devotional Songs by Sri Sarada Sangha
15.02.2025	Saturday	-	Discourse by Rev. Sw. Sarvolokananda Maharajji, Secretary Ramakrishna Mission, Delhi.
16.02.2025	Sunday	-	Annual Celebration of Trinity by Sarada Sangha.
22.02.2025	Saturday	-	Satsang by Satsangee Bhatri Bhagini Brinda.

ANNUAL MEMBERS' DAY

In the New Year all the Life Members of KMS look forward for a bright get together to have a relaxed Sunday basking in the bright sun shine, sipping hot coffee with mouth watering pakoras followed by a sumptuous lunch. A short cultural programme would also be in attendance. This year it has been decided to hold this rendezvous on Sunday, 23rd February 2025. While it is complimentary for the Life Members, spouses accompanying the Life Members can also join on a token contribution of Rs.200/-.

PRONAMI COLLECTION

It has been the pious practice for every devotee to offer pronami/dakshina after Anjali. Otherwise also the devotees offer pronami/dakshina on their every visit in the temple. Every month a group of dedicated Members make it a point to count the pronami/dakshina collected in the pronami boxes located in the three temples and on special puja Occasions. The pronami collected during the last three months are as below.

KMS Pronami Box Collection

- Pronami/Dakshina Collection of Three Temples for Sept. & Oct., 24 Rs.7,91,635/-
- Durga Puja Pronami, 24 Rs.2,87,639/-
- Pronami Collection of 'Jagadhatri Puja', 24 Rs.36,546/-
- Pronami/Dakshina Collection of Three Temples for Nov, Dec, 24 & Jan, 25 Rs.5,27,680/-