

AVATAR MEHER BABA ANDHRA CENTRE

BULLETIN No I.



"I have come not to teach but to awaken"

*"Those who lose their all in Me find their all in Me
ever after"*

— Meher Baba.

'THE AVATAR MEHER BABA ANDHRA CENTRE'



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An appeal to all Lovers of Avatar Meher Baba in Andhra Pradesh

FROM

'THE AVATAR MEHER BABA ANDHRA CENTRE'

Dear Lovers of Beloved Baba in Andhra Pradesh,

We feel happy to inform you that our long cherished hope of bringing about a constitutionally formed Central Body for the work of Beloved Avatar Meher Baba in Andhra Pradesh has at last materialized. We are now functioning under its auspices. Avatar Meher Baba Andhra Centre is formed in accordance with the constitution approved by the General Body of Baba Lovers of Andhra met at Kovvur, West Godavari Dt., on 21-5-61.

We owe a deep debt of gratitude to our elder brother, Shri Adi K. Irani, Disciple and Secretary of Avatar Meher Baba for the continuous guidance and

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encouragement he has given us and to our 'Andhra Mandal Brethern' for hearty co-operation they have given in this connection.

Now so much responsibility rests on this newly constituted A. M. B. Andhra Centre to revitalise all the existing Centres and to revive the activities of the less active centres and also to form new centres in places and districts so far untouched.

Sri Adi K. Irani is very particular that the different centres in Andhra should try their level best to work as homogeneous units, affiliated to our Central Institution with a uniform constitution and with one name so as to bring about proper understanding, harmony and solidarity amongst all Baba-lovers of Andhra. What our Beloved Baba expects from us all is unfettered love, open-mindedness, purity in thought word and deed, broad understanding, great patience, tolerance, humility, timely adjustment, helpful co-operation and selfless service with absolute dedication and complete surrender unto Him. All lovers in whatever position and state they may be placed must be wedded to one cause—to think alike and to act in cohesion through love for all and surrender their all with constant thought of Baba, to our Divine Beloved, by following His sacred precepts with unqualifying love, firm faith and one-pointed devotion.

Our Chief Function

The chief function of this Central Body is mainly advisory. It also renders help to the various centres working under its fold as affiliated bodies for the the cause of BABA. It shall endeavour to understand various problems that confront the different centres

through correspondance and frequent meetings, shall offer proper advice and render all possible help for the progress of all the Meher Centres through-out Andhra. It solicits all helpful constructive ideas from different centres to strengthen its hands, so as to go ahead with its aforesaid purpose and programmes unhampered. It finally serves as a means for common understanding, a venue for mutual adjustments and a rostrum for spreading the message of Love and Truth of our Beloved Baba.

Every congregation thus strengthens our love for Baba and all the more ennobles our evolving wisdom with the rich experiences of the enlightened few, giving us greater incentive to do our Master's work more and more efficiently day after day.

Methods of Work

This Centre intends to supply free literature in the shape of pamphlets, photo-prints and a few other requirements that are helpful to build up local infant centres in different places. The Centre also intends to send selected artists and speakers to different parts of Andhra Pradesh to spread Baba's Name and His Message of Love and Truth

We may mention here that to our great fortune, we have got a good number of able writers who have been devoting a lot of their precious time for the cause of Baba out of pure love. Their unstinted help and intense love for the Master are unique. Their valuable services are now utilised by this Central Body to the best advantage of its organisation and development.

Avatar Meher Journal

Our official-organ "AVATAR MEHER", a Telugu and English monthly is being published from Eluru, West Godavari District, through which much light and great information about Baba's work in Andhra and His message of Love and Truth are spread. Arrangements are being now made for its development so as to make it an efficient instrument of useful service with better quality to supply more valuable information and satisfy the needs of all Baba-lovers in Andhra. We hope to make it a first class journal with articles of interest by eminent writers and improve its get-up and style so that it might be an authoritative instrument of service.

"Divya Vani" - Quarterly.

"DIVYA VANI" is another Anglo-Telugu Quarterly journal, published since 10th July, 1961 by its Editor, Swami Satya Prakash Udaseen and issued from Nidadavolu, West Godavari Dt., is greatly devoted to Beloved Baba's cause. It was started with Baba's Blessings and is run under the special care and directions of our Revered Brother, Shri Adi K. Irani. Fortunately by Baba's Grace it has already attracted many lovers of Baba throughout the country and abroad as well by its neat get-up, nice exposition of Baba's Love messages and prominent articles of eminent writers from all over the country regarding Beloved Baba and His work as the Avatar of the Age. We hope most earnestly that all lovers of Baba will surely avail of its good services and render all possible help for its development so as to make it an unique instrument of useful service in the cause of Baba's work in Andhra and abroad.

Bhagavat Vachanam

In support of its activities and those of its affiliated centres, this Centre hopes to undertake publication of new and useful literature so as to educate the people about Baba and His Work. It deems it as good fortune to have to its credit the 'BHAGAVAT VACHANAM', the first Telugu translation of Baba's 'GOD SPEAKS' by Shri Mosalikanti Tirumala Rao, (M.P.) who has thus rendered invaluable service to Andhra Public. This needs our special mention. We therefore, offer our thanks to our Brother Shri Tirumalarao on this occasion.

Meher Publications

We feel it most important to mention here the services rendered during the last 6 years or more by M/S. MEHER PUBLICATIONS (Andhra) Private LIMITED, Nidadavole, West Godavari District, which has published about half a dozen publications including in English 'The Life of Meher Baba.' Our special thanks are due to our brother Sri L. C. Mallikharjuna Rao, the able Secretary and other Directors of the Company and its share-holders whose real aim was more to serve the cause of Baba than earning profits. We earnestly hope that all of them will whole-heartedly co-operate with us to help our fellow brethern, to serve the needs and cater to the requirements of Baba-lovers in Andhra in a more efficient manner, by coming forward with their new schemes of publication at this most needy hour. We ardently summon the attention of the various centres and its members to take real interest in the spread of Baba's literature so as to enlist public support.

Other Facilities

Some of the aforesaid facilities are available to all the centres now and every effort will be made to make them function more effectively so as to draw more and more lovers of Baba into their fold by widening their spheres of activities and radiating greater love and greater knowledge. Some have already formed study circles and others have formed into regular centres forging new activities. We therefore solicit their whole hearted co-operation and unstinted help for this great and noble cause we have undertaken. May our Beloved Baba's Blessings be with us all.

Main Task Ahead

Let us now draw the attention of our brethern to the fact that the establishment of real working centres depends on several factors like-(1) depth and intensity of love in the individuals; (2) the state and the way of life of the workers; (3) their spiritual discipline and sadhana and; (4) their environment and circumstances they live in etc., It may be possible to open a new centre if these factors are congenial but the growth of the centre entirely depends upon the purity, love, selfless service, sacrifice, humility and earnestness of the group-head and his colleagues. At the beginning or in the later stage constant thought on Baba and seeking His internal help is imperative to achieve most of our cherished aims and aspirations. The more we think of Him, the greater love flows out through us, if only we have the true and unflinching faith and the undaunted will to work for His Sacred Cause. But smaller beginnings will bring greater victories in the long run. Beloved Baba is ever by our side when we do

His work and hence there is no cause for any despair for a faithful worker in the field, leaving all results unto Him.

Our great love for Baba with constant remembrance and a burning desire to carry on our Lord's work according to His instructions are enough to pave the way for the formation of a good centre for His work. Along with the above qualities purity, sacrifice, proper understanding and mutual love are more essential to present a living example to people so as to attract others into our fold. The more we love Baba, the more we tighten our grip on Baba's "Daaman" (Skirt). We gradually develop through Baba's Love Blessings great determination, strength, courage and burning enthusiasm to go ahead with the work for Baba's cause inspite of overwhelming odds. This should be our resolve. Baba gives us help far beyond all our expectations. This has been our continuous experience for the last several years and hence there is no occasion for any one to feel despondent under any circumstances. The Avatar of the Age is now alive and is always by our side ever watching and ever ready to respond to our earnest call at every moment. Therefore in our own interest we should not lose this golden opportunity to work for Baba selflessly, fearlessly and restlessly before He manifests Himself finally. Only we should work hard for His cause by spreading His Name and His Message of Love and Truth like wild fire to every nook and corner of our holy land.

The time for His Full Manifestation is fast approaching. It is hence high time for us to girdle ourselves to do our level best from now while He is, physically present amongst us and before He fully manifests Himself, so that we might receive the highest

help when our Beloved Baba breaks His Great Silence. Everything depends on our preparedness and readiness for that Glorious Event which is more imminent now. A moment wasted is several lives lost. Let us not bank on our intellectual self-sufficiency and self-pride. This leaves us in the lurch and lands us definitely in the mire of illusion. All this colossal and Universal Work of Baba is for the attenuation and elimination of the little self and ego and for achieving higher understanding of and merging in the all-pervading inviolable, infinite, eternal, Universal Self, so as to enjoy consciously and everlastingly the Sat-Chit-Anands State.

We, therefore, appeal to our beloved brethern and sisters of Andhra, who have admiration for Baba, who had the good fortune of seeing or meeting Him and who feel convinced of His Avatar-hood and are inspired by Him, to strengthen their love by carrying out His sacred instructions with all love, faith, veneration, patience, courage and dedication. We must therefore develop pure love and act in the Living Present and never postpone to the distant uncertain future with absolute surrender unto Him. It is but proper that all the lovers congregate and form into study-circles, meet often, know more and more about Baba, chant His glories, bring unto our fold new lovers and share the experiences of Baba's love in day to day life, by living the life of selflessness, purity, humility, wisdom, service and sacrifice befitting ourselves as worthy lovers of Beloved Baba.

We will be happy to offer our services to any of the centres and their study circles and extend other activities in this direction by rendering all possible help by way of supplying literature, or sending

artists and speakers to those who are in such a need so that their love for Baba is stimulated into genuine and deep-rooted creative action preparing for complete surrender and selfless service. To facilitate this work, we are furnishing herewith the the necessary information and details of the various centres separately in order to guide all those who are interested in Baba and His Work.

Finally we feel highly thankful to you all, who have kindly bestowed some attention to this appeal and are pleased to take interest in the activities of our Centre.

May Avatar Meher Baba, the Highest of the High, bless us all with Love, Wisdom and Bliss and may through His Grace save us from all pit-falls and lead us unto Him quickly!

With Love-blessings of our Beloved Baba,

Ever yours in Baba's Service,

Ramachandrapuram
9th December, 1961

T. DHANAPATHI RAO,

President:

Avatar Meher Baba Andhra Centre.

Harikatha Parties :—

1. Sri Ammula Viswanadha Baghavatar,
Masulipatnam
2. Sri Sharavani Devi, Pitapuram
3. Sri Gunapalli Suryanarayana,
Ramachandrapuram
4. Sri Jonnalagadda Sitarama Sastry, Masulipatnam

Burrakatha Parties :—

1. Sri Balagopal Bhaskararaju & Party,
Tadepalligudam
2. Sri Meher Burrakatha Brundam of Sri B.A. Das
and Sri T. V. V. Satyanarayana Rao,
Ramachandrapuram
3. Sreeramagapatam Burrakatha Party of Rentala
Suryanarayana

Radio Artists :—

1. Sri Katuri Venkataratnam & Party,
Masulipatnam

Kavali Party :—

1. Sri V. Krishnamurthy, Masulipatnam

Bhajan Parties :—

1. Sri Parepalli Satyam & Party, Dobicharla
2. Sri Shyamalarao & Party, Masulipatnam
3. Sri Sivaram Gandhi (alias) Babji, & Party,
Kakinada
4. Sri S. Ayyanna & Party. Ramachandrapuram
5. Sri T. V. V. Satyanarayamurthy & Party, Kaleru
Ramachandrapuram Tq.

Speakers & Writers : —

1. Sri T. Dhanapathirao Naidu, Kakinada
2. Sri Sanaka Ramarao, Rajahmundry
3. Sri B. V. S. Patrudu, Waltair
4. Sri K. Narayanarao, Elluru
5. Sri D. Shankara Sreeramarao, Elluru
6. Sri P. V. Nageswarasharma, Masulipatam
7. Sri G. V. Brahmayya Naidu, Masulipatam
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10. Sri M. Butchilingappa Sastry, Vadali
11. Sri Changanti Subbarao, Amalapuram
12. Sri Balagopala Bhaskaraju, Tadepalligudem
13. Sri Kappagantula Subbarao, Srikakulam
14. Sri Bandili Bapiraju, Viziavada
15. Sri Swami Satyaprakash, Nidadavolu

Availability of Meher Literature :—

1. With Sri Adi K. Irani, Ahmednagar

Several books in English written by Western and Eastern disciples of BABA Details can be obtained by writing.

2. With Sri I. C. Mallikarjanarao, Nidadavolu
Pravachanam, Meher Suktulu, Gitavali, Meher
Stavam, Avatar Meher, Etc., (In Telugu) also
Avatar Meher in English)
3. With Sri I. V. Seshagirao Naidu Kakinada and
With Sri Majeti Ramamohanarao, Vijayawada.
Bhagavatvachanam'' books in Telugu.
4. Sri Avatar Meher Baba (Full Sketch) in Telugu
by Sri Y. Jagannadham, B. A., (Under Print)

Journals :—

1. Awakener— English Quarterly — From
Sri Adi K. Irani, Ahmednagar
2. Avatar Meher Telugu Monthly — From
Sri G. V. Brahmayya Naidu, Masulipatam
3. Divyavani— English and Telugu Quarterly--From
Swami Satyaprakash, Nidadavolu
4. Meher Pukar-- Hindi Monthly-- From
Sri K. N. Nigam, Hamirpur (U. P)

INFORMATION OF CENTRES AND OFFICE - BEARERS :

(A) Affiliated Individual Member :

Sri Thota Meher Prasad, George House, Bapatla

(B) Affiliated A. M. B. Local Centres : (institute Members):

S	A M. B Centre	Name of President	Name of Secretary	Place of Weekly Meeting	Week day & hour of Weekly Meeting
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

1. Srikakulam	A V K Hanumantha- rao	K Subbarao B.A., B.L	Hanumantharao Mill	Sunday 6 p.m
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2. Pykaraopeta	G Kannabbayi		G Kannabbayyi house	
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3. Kakinada	V Achutarama Raju	B Narasimhamurthy	R S Prakasrao	Sun 5 p.m	
	E Sattiraju	I. A. S House			
	B Potaraju				
4. Sahapuram	V Achutarama Raju	N Peraraju	Achutaramaraju House		
5. Ramachandrapuram	B Appalaswamy	S Ayyanna	Chappidivari		
	L. M. P	S Narayanamurthy	Savaram	Sun 8 p m	
6. Kaleru	T V V Satyanarayana	D Chinaraao	T V V Satyanarayana		
	Murthy		murty house	Sun 8 p.m	
7. Amalapuram	P Suryarao,	P Padmanabham	Municipal High School	Sun 5 p.m	
	M. A., B. L	Ch. Subbarao			

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| 8. Rajahmundry | Y Venkataswamy
Naidu | M V Subbarao | Y Venkataswamy
house | Sun 5 p.m |
| 9. Srirangapattam | A Satyanarayana
Murty | R Suryanarayana
Murty | Rentalavari house | Sun 9 a.m |
| 10. Dowleswaram | V V V L N Prasada
rao | Y Subrahmaneswara
rao | Tadimetivari house | Sunday
5-30 p.m |
| 11. Kovvuru | K Krishnarao | A Sattiraju | | |
| 12. Yadavolu | K S R Lakshmana
Swamy | A Narasayya | K S R Lakshmana
swamy house | Sun 8 p.m |
| 13. Dubacherla | S Satyanarayana
Murty | K Veekatacharyulu | S Sarvarao house | Fri 2 p.m |

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14. Nidadavolu	Swamy Satyaprakash E Venkanna Udaseen Suryanarayana, Sahu T A Krishna			T S Kutumbasastry house	Sun 8 p.m
15. Pentugonda	M Buchilingappa Sastry		V Narasimham	V Narasimharao house	Sunday 10 a.m
16. Vijayawada	M Ramamohanarao		Y Manikyalarao	Majetivari house	Sun 9 a m
17. Masulipatam	M S R Sastry B. A., B. L		T Basavayya P Viswanadham	M S R Sastry house	Sun 7 p.m
18. Kosgi	K Ramalingappa		K Narasimhayya	K Ramalingappa house	Sun 8 p.m



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