

# SAMAJ SAMACHAR

## SAMAJ NEWSLETTER



### NATIONAL EVENTS

#### APS AGM

Date: Sunday 28 May 2023

Time: 13h00

Venue: APS Headquarters

**Do not miss this opportunity to meet affiliates!**

### AFFILIATES

#### CONGRATULATIONS

- ॐ The Pietermaritzburg Hindu Stree Samaj turns 80 years on 9 May 2023
- ॐ VDS Verulam successfully hosted the Ram Naumi event on 26 March 2023

### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

#### CONFERENCE IN MAURITIUS

International Conference on the Arya Samaj in the Girmitya Diaspora  
28 to 30 July 2023

**Attend and meet Arya Samajs in the Indian diaspora.**



### # DAYANAND 200

The APS headquarters is lit up for the global celebration on the “illuminator of the truth” - Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati. Business owners, Arya Samaj organisations join in using solar energy to display the Arya Samaj to all areas.

## Events and Activities

Bahu Kund Yajna to commemorate the Founding of the Arya Samaj was held in Pietermaritzburg on 10 April 2023.

Close on to 200 people attended. 35 hawan kunds were set up and the community gave thanks to the founding of the Arya Samaj.

Just over 40 people joined in this event online from all parts of South Africa and other countries.



## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

NARIAN JEAWON VEDIC CENTRE

On 09 March 2023, the Dept of Agriculture and Environmental Affairs hosted a Domestic Food Production in KZN at the NJVC.



The community members of Kenville were sensitized on the importance of fresh produce. Tips on growing their own produce were shared.

On 17 April 2023 Pujya Swami Maitreyi provided meals for the community during a Health Awareness event hosted by the Ethekwini Primary Healthcare Clinic at Smithfield grounds.

## Webinar series on Growing Happy Families

To view the first webinar held on 15 April 2023 click here

[www.aryasamajsa.org](http://www.aryasamajsa.org)

## A Women's Forum initiative

### BACK TO THE VEDAS LECTURES

Missed the last one click here to view the lecture:

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### Next Lecture

Topic: What does the Light of Truth say about monotheism?

Speaker: Pt Arthi Shanand

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 7pm to 8pm (GMT+2)

THE VEDA JYO TI IS ACCESSIBLE ON OUR WEBSITE



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ॐ The Elementary, Basic and Essential Examinations of Veda Niketan will be online from this year.
- ॐ Watch out for a Veda Jyoti for Children in the very near future.
- ॐ All these will be accessible on our website.

**COLOUR THE WORLD ORANGE: SHOW YOUR SUPPORT. STOP ALL FORMS OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AND ABUSE**



### 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF APS

Send us any material, photos, videos you have of past events, activities, leaders of the Arya Samaj in South Africa.

We look forward to your views on how to celebrate the 100 years of the Arya Samaj in South Africa in 2025

## SOCIAL ACTION

People struggling financially with the ever-rising costs have made requests for support.

The Heal Foundation hamper drive takes place during April and May.

**Give Generously as the community did for the recent Dakota Beach fire disaster.**



The Heal Team with community members of Dakota Beach

To celebrate Earth Day (22 April), the Heal Foundation arranged for planting in communities.



## OBITUARIES

Heartfelt condolences to the Poonmassy family on the tragic loss of Pt Preshila Devi Poonmassy