DIVYA SANDESHA

Pujya Shri Ramchandraji Maharaj's (Shri Babuji)

letters to

Sri S.A.Sarnadji

Divya Sandesh: A Collection of letters of Pujya Shri Ramchandraji Maharaj (Shri Babuji) of Shahjahanpur to Shri (Late) S.A.Sarnadji, edited by Smt. Shakuntala Bai Sarnad and published by Shree Prakashana, NGO Colony, Jewargi Road, Gulbarga.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE

After the demise of Sri S.A.Sarnadji, while searching the papers of old house at our village and other immoveable property, we could find a bunch of letters and few Sanskrit books kept safely. These letters are in Urdu, Hindi and English. We learnt that Urdu letters are written/got written by Pujya Babuji Maharaj to Sarnadji. The other letters are written by Sri Ishwar Sahaji, Sri Raghavendra Raoji and Dr. K.C Vardachariji. We were inspired by these letters and thought of publishing Pujya Babuji's letters with translations so as abhyasi brothers and sisters would be benifited and they can see the original hand writings of a great special personality Pujya Babuji Maharaj. We felt irrelevent since these letters are written to Sarnadji in a personal capacity and not as an office bearer. Probably Sarnadji must have thought likewise and did not take any interst in this regard and moreover none of our family members was aware of these letters. Though these letters are personal, the need to publish the letters with translations was felt to enable the true seekers of spirituality to perceive the message of love, advice and guidance embodied therein lest these letters written in formative years of a Sadhaka with humility, compassion and concern by Pujaya Babuji Maharaj may be lost for ever.

One more reason is that Pujaya Babuji Maharaj used to refer Sarndaji as a saint and tell that, "Sarnadji To Sant Hai Bhai" to many abhyasi brothers and sisters.

Letters written from year 1956 to 1963 are only made available in this publication.

Late Sri S. A. Sarnadji became a follower of Sri Ram Chandra Mission in 1956, an International Organization, founded by Shri Babuji Maharaj in the year 1945 and started his spiritual Sadhana. He pursued the spiritual practice for some time under the guidance of Late Sri Raghavendra Rao of Raichur, a doyen in the field as per orders of Sri Babuji Maharaj. Thereafter, he achieved progress step by step and became very close and dear to Sri Babuji Maharaj. He served Shri Ram Chandra Mission with loyalty and sincerity in various capacities as promised to Sri Babuji Maharaj.

Gulbarga

30.04.2008 Smt. Shakuntala Bai Sarnad

Shri Ramchandra

Shahjahanpur, U.P.

India. No. A. 184/SRCM

D: 20.04.1956

Dear Brother,

Mission,

Blessings. Received your letter. I too have come to know that you are practicing. So, I will try to help you through prayers. Have this confidence that you will certainly progress spiritually and you are progressing also. This is very simple. But if you think it to be difficult, it will become difficult.

You have stated that you are seeing some glow before you. It means that your attention^{*} is penetrating inside. Certainly the impressions of many lives(Janmas) are hidden within us, and we have to get rid of them in this life time itself. Therefore, the sooner this poison goes away from us, the lighter we would become. The thoughts arising testify the fact that the poison is going away. Hence instead of getting perturbed by them, we should be thankful to God. You have written that, because of this you feel so much helpless that you feel like weeping. As per my understanding, instead of becoming helpless, one should become restless for God realisation. This will help more in the cleaning of impressions (samskaras).

I am remembering Shri Raghavendra Rao very much. His vacations also have commenced now. It will be wonderful if he be

pleased to visit this place. If he is there, please inform him that there is no need to buy a return ticket from there. It will be available here itself.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

*In Babuji's letter the word "Surat" is used. Sufi Saints used to pronounce the Sanskrit word 'Shruti as 'srut' or 'Surat'. Lalaji has given the meanings of the word 'Srut' as 'Attention', 'stability, 'peace' etc. The word 'Shruti', in Sanskrit means 'hearing, learning; comprehending etc. Generally the Vedas are called 'Shruti'. 'Shruti', by nature, being 'Sound' comes to experience through vibrations only. When the restlessness of the mind is reduced, the attention becomes steady and the vibrations are experienced in the heart. If this condition becomes constant, then it is called 'Ajapa'. -Translator

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 08.07.1956

No. A. 270/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. I was moved to read it. I thanked God because the complaints which you have written are not

complaints but the indications of the future fine condition. According to real education, every time during meditation and after it, a man should get the same bad thoughts held by him earlier. But the sad thing is, if I give this type of education to any one, he may not have like to see my face even. My Master has given me this type of education only. I remained a victim of thoughts for months together. I underwent such a state of restlessness that I had no peace whichever side I rolled. How much thanks should I offer to such a competent Master?

This is the aggravation of the thoughts that had taken the form of impressions. The sooner the poison is removed, nearer would be the path of liberation. This aggravation is partly caused by itself and partly by my powerful transmission. My intention was not to create aggravation. But high potency transmission produces some or other things. Of course, brother, a little bit of aggravation also I will be occasioning and giving it a dose of intoxication too, that is, peace. Because the Abhyasi, thinking that I have only deception, should not give it up and become deprived of its benefits. I donot intend to stop aggravation till the thing that has come on the surface gets cleaned and I will try to remove it soon. By the time you go to bed, that is by night, you may take it that the intensity of experiencing the impressions would get reduced considerably and the pain of the impressions would not be that much which is normally felt. We shall have to attain liberation from the cycle of rebirths during this life itself. Hence we have to tolerate some pain also. Generally, the training here is so unique that we could realize its philosophy and dynamics only when our Rev.Master opened our eyes. So far, I couldnot get a single person who had completely surrendered himself to me in the begining itself; and it was a good thing also, because then there would have been troubles and troubles only for him. Subsequently people have done so. I will tell you a technique. Whenever you feel sad by immoral thoughts, think that they are not your thoughts but mine. They will vanish.

I have sent Shri Raghavendra Rao for the service of all of you. All will be benefited a lot from him. He will shine very much. What you have to do is, get benefited yourself and attract others towards this system so that they may also get benefit. It is a very great pious work to bring the greiving and the forlorn lives on the proper way. I am convinced from what you have written in your letter that you have become mine only. That is why I say that this thing is not available every where. If spirituality is available the system would not be clean, nor they would be having any means to cleanse the samskars. All this greatness belongs to my Guru Maharaj. Please Inform me of your condition after one month and keep informing your condition to Shri Raghavendra Rao also. I shall be giving him necessary suggestions about you.

> Well-wisher, Ramchandra

(You need not send postal stamps for reply. All the Mission's expenditure is yours only)

No. A .327/SRCM

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 08.08.1956

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Your letter dated 2nd August reached. Whatever you have written, probably may not be held correct by a competent Master. He may hold the Abhyasi alone responsible for it. But if any one asks me about it, what a beautiful feeling is hidden in your letter! You have written your condition as it is. It shows really what an amount of love is there in you. And it reflects complete intimacy. It also becomes clear that you have become weary of these things. When this is so, what difficulty is there in getting rid of them! When you do not like to keep such things, they cannot remain also. If the owner of the house is not willing to keep some one in his house, then he has to quit the house.

You have written that your heart is becoming a breeding ground for bad thoughts. In reality it is not so. But the thoughts and impressions which you have formed previously, want to go out of you. But, because of the ego being still present in you, their form (bad thoughts) appears bigger as the figures in the film roll appear enlarged on the screen in a cinema theatre. They are not the things to remain. Brother, my mistake is also there, which is that I will be aggravating also the thoughts rooted in the past; so that the poisonous thing gets cleaned sooner. After aggravating, I keep drawing out its intensity also so that you do not feel more restless. Suffering is undergone by you alone. But where the spear has to pierce, needle pierces in its place. Here you should not feel afraid; because, we have to get liberated during this life time itself. Hence, if there is some pain, we have to tolerate it. An excellent thought is flashing in my mind. Think that the good thoughts arising in you are yours only. And when the bad thoughts come, have this thought that they are mine. Please do this and observe. There is nothing wrong in it. There after write to me about the condition of your thoughts. When you start feeling that the bad thoughts are mine, this idea that the place of their birth and growth will be my heart, is hidden in its background. When the thoughts belong to others, in what way you are concerned about them? Again, whatever you possess, they are your pure thoughts. Then, where is the cause for worry?

You have written, "we know the vanity of the worldly life. But still the attachment to it does not leave us; why?" Theoretically, the reason may be ex-plained thus: when the thought of wordly life's impermanence comes to you, thought of its stability too will certainly be there in its background. You have not yet realised the evanescent nature of life. You have been only hearing about it and reading about it. Therefore the outcome of the things which have been realised will be permanent and those things which we have heard and read will remain in mind only. Now my suggestion to you is that, instead of giving thought either to its transient nature or permanent nature, you leave it as it is, and in every state let your mind be fixed on Master.

The truth is that the detachment starts making its appearance when our in-terest in worldly life remains only for name's sake. What Sri Raghavendra Rao has said is correct. But brother, I will tell you a little about the state of saintliness. What sort of saint is one, who does not make himself the target of wordly sorrows. It may be understood that the extent to which this quality is deficient in him, there will be found a deficiency in his perfection also. If a person by consuming some halwa (sweet dish) and milk, considers himself as saint, he is unfit to be called a saint. What sort of saintliness it is, where one looks for his own peace, and what sort of Saint is one who looks for his own happiness and comforts in order to liberate himself? Donot get perturbed over this. But when you see the deficiency of these things in me you may get frightened, and you should get frightened.

You are meditating daily for half-an-hour. I am satisfied about it. But you should try to sit for one hour. Whether you get interest or not, you need not worry. Should we not remember our Lord, if we donot get absorption? That is our Primary duty. Our effort too does a lot of work. This letter is the answer for all your complaints made in that previous letter. After 10-12 days of the receipt of this letter please write to me your condition whatever it is in respect of those things. Sri Raghavendra Rao's presence there has brought me satisfaction. I shall convey thanks to him for saving a lot of my efforts. He is sufficient to guide. You should not think that I have forgotten you by saying so. Please convey my blessings to all the satsangis. A quarterly magazine titled "Sahaj Marg" is being published from Assam. There will be some pages for Hindi and some for English in it. Soon after its publication it will be sent to you.

> Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

No. A. 375/SRCM

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 18.09.1956

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your both the letters. I am afraid that you may not like if I write about the real nature. I got amused to read that you get angry and become harsh with children when they trouble you. This mischievousnesss and fickleness is the nature of children. But I am sorry, why should you change your nature? Children do create disturbances when you are in meditation. But why don't you have this thought that such things should not appear before you during meditation? It can be like this. In the early morning you can go to any garden, field or temple and do your meditation there. We should not feel anger in our nature. Children are ignorant. Their condition is such that we try to create the same condition in us. You have written that I am testing you. It is not so. Because, testing you is testing myself. Do your work with courage and happiness. God will help. Brother, just observe your experiences; try to feel a little and tell me. Don't you find some improvement in your condition even now? Irritation will not enable you to have the experience. Therefore, when irritation appears, it should be removed by laughing at it. Muster your courage, in any case and have this firm thought that you are sure to attain merger in God, and take all the obstructions coming in its way as the signs of progress. Brother, it is like that only. Until we walk in the sun the search for shade does not commence.

"Sahaj Marg" Magazine is being published from Assam branch of the Mission. Printing work would be over by the end of the month. It will be sent to you. I request you to keep contributing your articles to it. The Magazine should not come to a halt for want of articles. For the second quarter, send the matter soon. The address is given below.

Well-wisher,

Address: Ramchandra. Shri Kashiramji, Preceptor, Shri Ramchandra Mission Branch, Sidiya Bazaar, TINSUKIA (Assam)

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 02.10.1956

No. A. 410/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 27th september 1956. Thanks to God, your experiences are better than the earlier ones. Prayer, in fact, is like that only. Gandhiji also has written, "Prayers can move mountains". But brother, prayer softens us and brings about humility. Because of this softness and humility in our nature, our attachment with our belongings, which we alone have created, gets removed and almost the same state or form manifests for which we are striving; and the force within us bounds up to carry on with its work. Therefore, by espousing these two qualities of softness and humility in our nature, we adopt a devotional attitude in order to establish our link with the Real Being. Now, according to the principle of devotion, we must remain subservient to the will of God/Master. Compelling Him to do in a particular way, goes against the principle of devotion. No religion in the world enjoins it. Therefore, brother, donot resort to stubbornness, as you have done, in correcting the nature of the children. Otherwise this (stubbornness) will assume the form of such impressions (samskars), as may go to burgeon one's ego and to prove difficult to be removed.

May God give you alleviation from the spots appearing on your face. Transmission is not the cause of them. It is a disease requiring medical treatment. By transmission the impressions get cleaned and many diseases disappear. I shall explain one of my many experiences. I was cleaning one gentleman. That was the first occasion. The very second day he came to me and said that his pleurisy (Inflammation of pleurea) is getting reduced. Later on he didnot have pleurisy. I had given transmission without knowing anything about it. But I certainly came to know about the thing which got cleaned by it. My aim was to clean the inner condition spoilt by the impressions. Hence, believe it. Transmission will never do any harm. In our transmission there will be no heat. It is true that sometimes abhyasis feel so. The reason for it is that ordinary impressions come up and get burnt. Some times it happens like this also: The nucleus of the chakras contain the Fire Principle. When the power of the transmission comes into contact with this principle some heat is experienced. But it will not be troublesome. The reason for doing all this is: we are made up of the five elements. They are the part of maya. We have to get rid of them and acquire our Original Nature. Of the five circles which I have shown in "Reality at Dawn" when a man enters the fifth circle, he gets rid of Maya and he will have no connetion with any of the five principles. Hence efforts are being made from the beginning. Please write to me about the condition of your thoughts after ten days.

Prayers for children. Blessings to all abhyasis. I have posted a letter to Shri Raghavendra Rao also.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 06.11.1956

No. A. 466/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 30.10.1956. Felt happy to read it. Man must maintain the state of humanness in him irrespective

of the height he has attained in spirituality and his head should always remain bowed down in servitude. When we do not cross the limits of servitude, maintaining human relationship becomes essential. It means we have to treat all those whom God has created, as our brothers. Here, there is no role for Gurudom. Here the importance is for the sense of service. All of us together have to get our work done. In this sense only I have called you brother. Brother, in a way, when I come down to my earlier condition, all appear to me like Masters, and I feel that it is these people who have given me the spiritual training. Then I start respecting them with the same view. Yes, where the Rev. Master has bestowed eternity, really there will be no trace of existence : The eyes have turned blank to such an extent that the word brother only seems apt in order to keep up the relationship of love. I will write as you say. You are everything to me. As you have written it is true that cemetery detachament (Smashan Vairagya) too is one type of ascetic detachment (Vairagya). It is called vikhota vairagya (false asceticism). It comes to experience when one follows the dead body to the cemetery. Strong and firm detachment is real detachment. It comes from love in the beginning itself.

Inform Shri Raghavendra Rao that I have replied to his earlier letter. I have given it to Shri Ishwar Sahai. He wanted to make a copy of it. He will send it from Lakhimpur itself. I have decided to go on South Indian tour from 10th December 1956. Myself and Sri Ishwar Sahai, both will come. I have applied for circular ticket. If we start on 10th December we may arrive at Gulbarga in the first week of January. As we have not yet got the time table, the programme could not be prepared. But it is all in the hands of God. It will be possible for me to come whenever he wills. My mother has become very weak due to cough and palpitation of the heart. She is able to walk a little with great difficulty. Besides due to diarrhoea and dysentery she becomes more weak. Since three days she is suffering from dysentery. Today by the grace of God she is alright. All of you pray for her health. Then only it will be possible for me to come. I remember brother Laxmi Narasimha very often. Is he remembering me too? Please convey my blessings to him and other brothers.

> Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 28.02.1957

No. B. 130/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Your letter dated 11.02.1957 and a postcard dated 22.02.57 have been received. I felt happy to learn that during meditation you are getting more thoughts. It means that the heart is tossing and pouring out all the poison in it. I intend to give an education capable of cleaning up the poison soon. But I feel helpless as none is able to stay with me. Hence this thing happens slowly.

You have stated that your faith in me is dwindling. But I tell you, your faith is not dwindling. This thought is coming to you because of upsurging thoughts. In your second postcard you have stated, "I am intending to come over there to be in your presence". This itself is its proof. You come at any time you like. But schools will have vacations during summer. If you come at that time you can stay for longer period. During these holidays Shri Raghavendra Rao's brother also has promised to come with him.

Now you have asked as to how faith has to be developed. To this Sri Raghavendra Rao can reply better. Devotion is the starting point for every thing. The precise answer is, first of all have full trust on the person teaching you. The connection of faith shall follow these afterwards.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 08.03.1957

No. B. 156/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 02.03.57. Now what I said in your dream "Do not leave practice, every thing depends on you"- needs to be complied with courage. Not only you would be

benefited spiritually but you should attract others also towards it. By this they too will be benefited. This is the duty of all of you too.

I came to know through Shri Ishwar sahai's letter that he gave the information about this event to two or three main persons and lovers, so that they pray for me.

Like you, poor Raghavendra Rao too might have been afraid of. I get restless by seeing others' sorrow. Therefore, there was no alternative to stabilise life. Mission's foundation is getting stronger. The present trainers are connected with the reservoir of energy, which never dries up.

I am afraid that Raghavendra Rao may get upset by weeping continously. Therefore he should be informed immediately that a Rishi(saint) of Ceylon has made good of this thing by offering a portion of his life period. And this matter should not be made public. I too will inform everything to Shri Raghavendra Rao.

Prayer for children and blessings to brothers.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 30.06.1957 / 01.07.1957

No. B. 326/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 17th June. You have written the letter very well. Not a single defect of urdu language is found in it . If you like you may write in Urdu only. I shall reply in the language whichever I find convenient. I have studied only to the extent of being capable to sign my name before the educated persons.

You have enquired something about operation, the meaning of which I could not understand. Is it regarding the operation of women which prevents the child birth, or similar operation for men? While giving birth to a child, that is in pregnancy, a woman suffers from pain. At that time by giving conane tablets once an hour or two, delivery will take place soon. Conane injections are also given. This proves more beneficial when the pain stops. Doctors should be consulted in any case.

By the operation on women to prevent child birth, irritation develops. I am unable to understand what opinion I should give under such circumstances. It has no relationship with spirituality. But it is certainly unnatural.

Prayer for children and blessings to brothers.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 28.07.1957

No. B. 387/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter on 23rd July. There was nothing wrong in asking Dr. K.C.Varadachari as to how the mind is to be kept calm. There is absolutely no need to ask for excuse for that. But the reason in writing to Shri Raghavendra Rao was only to save his valuable time as much as possible. The condition of Shri Raghavendra Raoji being very high he can answer your question very well. The first door of his divine wisdom is opened. It is good that you have obtained the opinion of a competent person for the sake of your friends. One should benefit by it.

You are striving to develop your Mission. For this I am thankful to you. Uplifting the down trodden is a good service. God will be pleased by that.

During meditation bad thoughts do come. It is good that they come and go out. You have written as to when shall that day dawn which will enable you to remain immersed in my thought only. It is very easy. When the thought of jumping leaves the heart you will find yourself already immersed. You might be doing the practice of cleaning suggested to you earlier. The first method is to be practised before morning meditation. This you know already. This is to be done through the waves of the ocean. The second one is to be practised in the evening. That too you know. This is very important. They too (preceptors) will be doing a lot for your sake. It is the good luck of you all. Your inner condition is now more clean than before. There is some black spot in some part of your heart. Raghavendra Rao will see and clean it. Your practice also would be of great help in this regard.

Blessings to all brothers. Love to all children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 24.10.1957

No. B. 538/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your affectionate letter. I felt happy. You are trying to develop the activities of the Mission. This is a very big service for humanity. May God give you its reward. I have sent the programme to Shri Raghavendra Rao. You please inform your brothers and those you think appropriate about my date of arrival at Gulbarga. As regards the complaints you have written, God willing, they will be certainly reduced. The remedy for all the diseases is only one. If we try to remain in the thought of God, attention towards other things will be reduced automatically. You may get many examples of it.

Prayers for children. Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

No. C. 563/SRCM

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 19.12.1958

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. I am unable to reply to your letters due to the construction work and the inconvenience due to the scattered building materials. I had sent the reply to your letter to Shri Raghavendra Raoji. He has sent its copy to you. Vasant Panchami falls on 12th February. The function would be from 11th February to 13th February morning. I will be happy if Shri Ayalreddy also comes. But he should stay for few days. In your case, my desire is that I must get at least 10days so that it may be possible to do internal cleaning well and you may experience the joy of travelling through the points. For the expenses towards the ticket there should not be any obstacle. In case of necessity please inform. I will send it.

Prayer for children and blessings for satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Sri Ishwar Sahaiji's letter on the backside.

Brother,

Prayers. Your letter had reached Lakhimpur. These days I am staying more at Shahjahanpur. By chance, when I had been to Lakhimpur for a day, I got your letter. The second issue of the Journal is being sent now. I do not remember whether your copy of the journal was sent to Sri Raghavendra Rao's address or directly to your address. It is ok. I am sending the second one. I am engaged in the construction work of our Rev. Master's house. I am unable to get even a little time.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ishwar Sahai.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 29.01.1959

No. D. 36/SRCM

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Your letter conveying happiness was received. There was delay in replying to it. Basant Panchami Function will be from 11th Feb to 13th Feb. So far you have not informed when you will be coming. Nor you have written anything about the expenditure and the mode by which it should be sent, if at all any shortage is felt. Please let me know whether, during these days, you have observed your condition or not. If not done so, please keep observing now and then; because conditions will be changing from time to time. Even though the difference will be little but when one goes from one condition to another condition, the effect will be substantial. Shri Raghavendra Rao has stated that you are working hard to increase the number of satsangis. I am very happy about it. If more and more number of people could be benefited by this, it would be more beneficial in future. The construction of the collapsed house is going on. A major portion of it is ready now.

Prayer for the children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. (Camp. Madras) D: 02.06.1959

No. D. 205/SRCM

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter at Tirupati. It was brimming with love. May God give you more and more progress. I came here on the scheduled date. A gentleman had given his car. Therefore, without taking any rest any where, I came to this place easily within $2^{1}/_{2}$ hours. Tomorrow I am going to Tiruchirapally. At Madras the Mission has not taken its colour. The people do not know about it at all.

Prayer for children and Namaskars to all satsangis.

The article by master saheb (Ishwar Sahaiji) has appeared in "Deccan Herald".

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Sri Ishwar Sahaiji has added his letter.

Dear brother,

Prayers. The satsang at Tirupati was good. Many good persons participated and some persons have come forward for construction of Ashram also. There is hope that soon a solid hall may be ready. People are working hard. In Mysore a Training centre has been set up under the supervision of Shri Manjunath Iyer. Hope he will do good work. The work at Madras is going on in a loose manner. Many people donot know at all what the Mission is. No matter. If God wills, this complaint also may not remain.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ishwar Sahai.

Sending herewith the letter of Authority.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 24.06.1959

No. D235/SRCM.

Dear Brother,

Blessings. We reached safely Shahjahanpur on 21st June. After I came here I came to know that my dear daughters Chaya has passed B.A. examination. Maya and Umesh have passed Inter and H.S. (High School) examinations. Thanks to God. Regarding the conditions which you have written-you have to make your mind strong and turn it towards the other side i.e. God. After a few days inform me about having come to normal condition. I am surprised as to why it didnot come to normal. Well. I will apply more force. This time it will be alright. I am sending ten books. If more are required inform me. Is correspondence going on with the abhyasi of Guntakal who has recently started? Is he practicing it?

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

I often remember Narsappa's mother Smt. Tippamma.

No. D. 306/SRCM

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 29.07.1959

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your affectionate letter. You have forgotten to write in it, both the No. and the date. I am thankful to God as there is improvement in your condition regarding which you had complaints earlier. Shri Raghavendra Rao's letters keep on coming regularly. Daughter-in-law was badly ailing. Now, he has stated that she is alright. He has not yet written about the increase in the number of satsangis at Bellary. But there is a definite indication of its increase. Thanks to God, the satsangis have increased at Gulbarga. They will practice regularly also. Sitting at home you give transmission to the Abhyasis once or twice a week, though they may not be present before you so that, by this, the force in you due to my excess transmission will get reduced. You have not so far digested it. Hence I am not giving you transmission now. Running the journal is getting difficult. Because the number of subscribers is not increasing and many among the earlier subscribers are not intending to go for it. Kashiram has come down from Assam. Therefore, non- satsangis are refusing to take it. In Tibet there were 25 subscribers. A person is coming from there. Let us see what is the position there. War is going on there. My youngest son Sarvesh's wrist bone was fractured due to fall. The plaster is on, which is going to be removed on 31st July. A letter from Jangaon Munsiff Magistrate requesting me to participate in Geeta Jayanti has come. I have requested him to excuse me for my absence in it due to ill health.

Prayer for children and Pranams to all satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 04.08.1959.

No. D.321/SRCM

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter and came to know about the condition. Earlier I had posted you a letter. You might have received it. Of late my blood pressure is very low. Hence weakness has also increased. I feel heavyness in the brain and giddiness too. A letter from Jangaon was received. He had invited me. I mentioned the same reason for not going there and had sent the message. A reminder had come. I replied to that too. You too might have been invited. If you go you can deliver a speech also. There is also a possibility of the growth of the satsang. But I leave it to you. You do as you think fit. A letter from Shri Bhimsen Rao has been received. There were some strange words in it, denoting despondency that only five or six persons come for satsang at Chincholi. I have replied to him also. I shall send within five or six days the books you have asked for. What all the books you require further, please write. I will send them. I have called

Sri Ishwar Sahai here and got noted the addresses for sending the journals. They were despatched also. If any one has not received it, please inform.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Sri Ishwar Sahaiji has added his letter.

Dear brother, Blessings. The information required from you is that Shri Sharnappa Patil ofChincholi had given the subscription for the journal. It is mentioned in my notes. But the name of Smt. Shant Siddamma C/o Smt. Manikamma W/o Sri Phakeerappa is also noted but there is no note about the receipt of subscription. I donot remember what the fact is. I do not remember the number of Journals to be sent also. Please inform if you remember or else please enquire and inform. I have not yet sent the magazine to Sri Sharnappa Patil. If it is to be sent, please send from there and inform me, so that I too may make corrections accordingly.

> Well-wisher, Ishwar Sahai.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 25.08.1959.

No. D. 379/SRCM.

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. All your letters which were full of love, reached me. You are remembering me with great love. For this I am thankful to you. *I am very happy to have got such lovers like you and Shri Raghavendra Raoji that the mission will make progress through both of you*. I hope, from you and Sri Raghavendra Raoji many people will get light. Your spiritual condition is going on well. Certainly, at present, due to some thoughts you might be getting confused. The thing is that deep rooted impressions have come to the surface and they continue to come. By this the poison of these impressions will get cleaned.

One of Ishwar Sahai's son who was studying in B.A. final year at Lucknow was seriously ill. Ishwar Sahayji who was staying with us has gone to Lucknow. Now, by God's grace the boy's health is good. By getting a few day's leave from the college he is now going to his house at Lakhimpur. Ishwar Sahayji will come here within a day or two. Then brother Khedgiker's magazine will be sent. I do not know his address, otherwise I would have sent it myself. You have written to send it to Sharnappa Patil and given the address of a lady, which is not clear. It is also not clear whether by this it will reach Sharnappa Patil C/o address of that lady or how it will reach him? You write to me their address in English. I am sending one magazine to each of you and the secretary of Sahitya Sangha. I am sending you 16 copies of the book "Anant-KiOre". All the pamphlets are at Lakhimpur. Shri Ishwar Sahayji, when he goes to Lakhimpur after coming here (from Lucknow) will send them.

Prayer for children. Sri Kashiram has conveyed you his Namaskars.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 02.09.1959

No. C. 391/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received letter. Simultaneously your Sri Raghavendra Raoji's letter also was received. He and all his children are well. You need not worry. I had sent a parcel containing 16 books of "Anant Ki Ore". You might have received it. Shri Ishwar Sahai had been to Lucknow. His son's heath was very much upset. By the grace of God now he is alright. Master saheb also (Ishwar Sahai) has come back. He will stay with us for few days because, he is typing the Urdu book which has been translated by Shri Raghavendra Rao and is to be sent for printing after making a review of it. Afterwards he will go to Lakhimpur. If need be I too will be going to Lakhimpur with him. He will send the pamphlets from there. I am very happy to hear that the work of satsang at Bellary and Gulbarga is going on well. Jangaon Munsiff has stated that he will meet me during his next tour. My blood pressure had fallen very much. By drinking a cupful of decoction prepared from Almonds and raisins, there is some improvement. By overwork and not getting good food, it starts falling again (B.P). No need for worry.

> Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

I am sending four copies of the magazine. On two of them the names of the addressees are written. Give them to those persons. The remaining two are for you.

Ishwar Sahai.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 10.09.1959

No. D. 409/SRCM

Dear Brother,

Blessings. It is true that I would be starting my South India Tour during the first or second week of November. The problems and their causes as stated by you are to be found mostly every where. Man should become like a smooth earthern pot. Any amount of water poured on it will not affect it. My trouble was of a different type. My wife was favourable for my puja. But she was of very sharp nature. I had often informed my Revered Master about this. The instruction which he gave was so beautiful that it is fit to be written in golden letters - "Man should adopt bashfulness (Ghairat). Bashfulness is that sentiment, in which, one, on being chided and rebuked by others, feels that one alone is at fault". If a man makes this his habit, he would not face any difficulty. Bashfulness is better than anger. Hence try to bring it in practice. Sri Satpal, the Munsiff Magistrate of Jangaon, has expressed his desire to meet me. After you receive the tour programme, I shall remind you to inform him. Blessings to all satsangis.

Another thing to be written remained. Normally children are mischievous. Now to reform them, we should make it obligatory for them to sit at one place regularly. For example reading of books. During your leisure time make them sit before you and teach them to read and write.

If you need the books "Reality at Dawn" or "Anant-Ki-Ore" inform me by the end of the October. The urdu book translated into English by you and Shri Raghavendra Rao, after having been reviewed and typed, will now be sent to Dr. Varadachari for writing a foreword to it, and from there it will go to Madras for printing.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 22/26.09.1959.

No. D. 430/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. I was happy to receive your letter. Shri Ishwar Sahai went to Lakhimpur and I had asked him to go to Lucknow from there, as his son's health had again become worse. This boy is studying at Lucknow University.

I think the magazines are not received due to incorrect addresses. People write the name of their place but do not mention its district. You too have written Sedam, but you have not mentioned in which district it is really situated. In Sri Kishan Rao's letter everytime there will be a new address; but he never writes the name of the district, which is essential. In one letter he has written Shorapur and in another letter he has written Shoranur. Besides, he has written some other address also which I am unable to read. If you send his detailed address I shall reply to his letters too. I shall send the magazines to the address you have given at Sedam thinking that it is situated in Gulbarga district. If I send them by V.P.P. they have to pay one rupee six paise more (Re. 1.06). So let them send subscription by money order.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 30.10.1959

No. C. 489/SRCM

Dear Brother,

Blessings. I was happy to receive your letter. Sri Ayal Reddy has asked for a photo. I shall bring it with me. If you need anything else please write to me, as still there is time. I am sending a part of the programme. Yesterday I have sent a copy of it to Shri Raghavendraji.

I am thankful to the News paper person who wants to print my life history. But by releasing my life history now which is intertwined with my work, the readers will think that it is a drama or that for the sake of the publicity all these false things have been written. My full spiritual life has been at once connected with the world politics. Still I am not out of it. All the facts which I have written, run upto nearly 1500 pages. The future issues relating to other nations are also noted in them. And whatever happens, is happening according to that only. There are such things, which perhaps will never be published. Shri M. Kishan Rao has sent his full address. For the third time I am sending the magazine on that address.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 13.11.1959

No. D. 517/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. Anyhow now I am coming. I am bringing with me the photo asked by Sri Ayal Reddy. The Saddarshan required by SriAyal Reddy may be got from the following address. Ask him to write a letter for it.

The Manger, Nawal Kishore Press, Lucknow, U.P.

Prayer for children.

Basant kumar Munsiff's letter was received long time before. He had desired to meet me. Please inform him about the places of my stay at Hyderabad and Gulbarga, and also write to him from which date to which date my stay will be there.

Blessings, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 22.02.1960

No. E. 95/SRCM

Dear Brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. The function this time was very fine, because from South India too, though not more, 9 persons had come. All went back happily. From Assam also five gentlemen and two ladies participated. The rest were U.P. people. I was remembering you frequently.

The editor of the "Pradeep" magazine, Vineet Ramchandraji had written me a letter stating that he had commenced the practice from Basant Panchami. I have received three letters from his wife. Today due to pressure of work there is heaviness in my head. Hence I could not reply to their letters. Only "Love" is pouring from their letter. At the beginning of the letter the following words are written.

"At the feet of Shri Babuji (Sri Ramachandraji Maharaj),

I humbly dedicate myself at your holy feet. This is how it happened".

I think, they will make a lot of progress and my heart is desiring to start for Dharwad now itself.

I have written my life history very briefly and sent it. From that you may take whetever points you think fit and send it to the editor, after writing in whatever language he wants. I have left out certain things from it, which people may never believe. If I write all the work I have done, and the service I have rendered to the country and people, it runs upto full 1,500 pages. Satsangis are saying that I must start writing some thing. I have written this life history in first person. You may write it in third person and send. That is why I have written in a casual style. You have to arrange them yourself into a systematic way. You can take the things you consider proper and leave the unwanted things. Are you going to send our magazine to the editor? In my opinion our magzine and "Pradeep" Magazine should be mutually exchanged.

Prayers for children. Sri Ramachandra Rao has left this place along with his wife and cousin on 12.02.1960. They may reach their home by the end of this month after visiting Mathura, Agra, Delhi, Haridwar etc.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 26.02.1960

No. E. 104/SRCM

Dear Sarnadji,

Blessings. I had written a letter before this. It might have reached. As desired by you, I had written a little bit of life history in it. Five excess copies of "Sahaj Marg" Magazine may be given to those having interest and a copy may be sent to the editor of "Pradeep". The topics in it are good. As the editor has become our person, you can send him two copies of the book "Anant-Ki-Ore" for comment. He has written a letter to me. His wife too has written. I have sent a copy of my reply to Shri Raghavendra Rao. One is in Hindi and other in English. If you want, you can get the copies from him. Possibly some good thoughts may be got from them.

Brother sarnadji, why are you getting afraid of? By the Grace and kindness of God, the divine current is flowing constantly. Drink as much as you like. I thank you for your love for me. To tell you the truth, my condition is such that if any one loves me, or gets spiritual help from me, I consider it as a favour to me.

"Mai Tauheed woh saqi ne chidki Bag-e-Alam me Sharab-emarifat jee kholker Ahle-talib pee lein".

In the garden of the world the Beloved sprinkled the wine Divine Drink this nectar, O Lover, with heart open.

God willing, your condition may change before this letter reaches you. Some impressions of the past have got accumulated. It is better to remove them. I try only to dissolve the past impressions to the possible extent. Some have to be removed and some others have to be undergone. But where the blade should touch, just the needle touches. From Raichur, Shri Govind Raoji's letter is received. He has asked a question, which has no relevance to our practice. Many pages are required to reply to it in detail. However, he will not be benefited by it in any way. But my time will certainly be wasted. If possible I will write a sentence or two. He has not given his address in the letter. If I get it I shall reply. I learnt every thing about Mr. M. and felt very sad. When I saw him I found his inner condition bad. I had told Raghavendra Rao that there was need for lot of cleaning. That it was to such an extent, I had never thought of. Mr. M has to essentially under go the pain he has caused to the hearts of the mothers and sisters. Raghavendra Rao has sent the telegram. How much to praise his goodness! I controlled myself a lot. Besides I did the right thing. But now my view has changed. He had sense. He knew well his mother and sisters. Therefore, he has no scope for repentance for what he did towards them. Never allow him into satsang. Not only this, reject him clearly. Never allow him to visit your house. No abhyasis should allow him to come. My anger has not yet subsided. But I have not done any harm to him because I do not have that heart at all. But, by which all this has happened, must necessarily be got ended possibly. It might have happend also. Let the matter not spread at Gulbarga.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Note: For my convenience I have replied in Hindi, you may write in Urdu.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 07.03.1960

No. E. 13/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. Please do not worry for being able to spare less time for studies. Appear for examinations taking the name of God. Praying God and seeking success suits students well.

I have written the points you had asked for in my life history. Whenever you want and get time, arrange them systematically, translate into Kannada and send it to the magazine "Pradeep". The editor and his wife's affectionate letters are coming continuously. I am replying them. Whenever Mr.M met me, his grossness was clearly seen. But I believed by his efforts and your help, it would get cleaned. Now I am thinking about a method. After my experience okay's it, I will let the preceptors know the details of the method to test it. When we meet, I will give some suggestive instructions to you also.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 05.04.1960

No. E. 192/SRCM

Dear Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. I am happy to learn that your (exam). papers went off smoothly. Received also the accounts sent by you. You know the method of meditation on points A and B. Inform it to all the satsangis and make it a rule stating that its practice is essential. I am doing further research on "A" Point. I shall write about it later. Sri Vineetji of Dharwad has written me many letters. I have replied to his letters also. Now there is no letter from them. He had sought my permission to translate the "Reality at Dawn" and other books into Kannada and publish in his magzine. I have given him permission. But you alone can do the translation properly. I donot know how much command Shri Gunde Rao has over Kannada language. It is OK. You may do as you think it proper.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 13.06.1960

No. E. 294/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. I am very happy to learn that you have passed the M.A. exam. in First Division. My congratulations to you. These days my health had deteriorated a lot. Now I am quite alright. The troubles about which you have written about, might have got reduced by now. If not, please inform. The Urdu book of Sahaj Marg translated into English by Shri Raghavendra Rao is now printed. A copy of it has reached Dr. Varadachari. Very soon it will reach all of you. I have not received Sri Vineet Ramachandra Rao's letter since long. He had printed the message in his magazine. He has sent that magazine. By the grace of God now you have passed M.A. I pray that you should pass M.A. in spirituality too. Now you start writing articles about the Mission's teachings and send them to Journals.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 28.07.1960

No. E. 357/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. I felt very happy to learn that Shri Raghavendra Rao is coming. This year Janmashtami vrat (Shri Krishnastami) is on 13th August. You please inform satsangis about it. I started praying the moment I received the telegram about the ill health of brother Madhav Raoji and even now I have not forgotten it. Do not be perturbed. Both, you and Sri Raghavendra Rao can cure this disease. But you should have courage. When the case is before us and the observation is made for two or three days, the reading will be correct. Under such condition the will power works fast. Because the cause of disease would be correctly foundout and suggestions are given accordingly. Shri Raghavendra Rao has explained the condition in detail. I have studied the cause of the disease on that basis only. I am very grateful to Ayal Reddy of sedam as he is serving the Mission with full devotion to the possible extent. He has increased and still increasing the number of subscribers to our magazine. May God give the reward for it. I am telling you once again not to get perturbed about Madhav Raoji. God will do everything Good.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 13.10.1960

No. E. 361/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Since many days I have not written any letter to you. I have decided to go to South India. The decision is formed immediately after I return from there. This time there is an obstacle in going over there. Shri Ishwar Sahai was very much sick. Even now he is very weak. The trouble was of low blood pressure. I too had this problem before two months. I am now better than earlier but the weakness will always be there. This time during Dasara vacations four persons from Gulbarga had come. Two had come from Bidar. Among them Sri S.Patel was there. He requested me to get "Reality at Dawn" translated into Kannada and told me that he would bear the cost of printing. You are sending "Reality at Dawn" translated into Kannada to "Pradeep" Magazine. Keep with you a copy of the same and if you have time, translate more of it, so that the whole book would be ready for printing within one and half to two months.

You have written that satsang is not growing at Gulbarga. Now you fix a day in a week and tell all of them to come for satsang on that day. If abhyasis want to come on the other day it can be at the time convenient to you. It is learnt from Shri Dattatri Rao's letter written from Hyderabad that Shri Madhav Raoji is now well and has come back to his house.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 31.10.1960

No. E. 402/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. I have sent along with this letter a copy of the Tour Programme to Bellary and another copy of it is being sent to Ayal Reddy. You please inform the satsangis of the surrounding places about it. Along with me as usual, will be Sri Ishwar Sahaiji and my "huqua". Sri Ayal Reddy has helped a lot in keeping the magazine alive. I am very much grateful to him. May God give him its reward. Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 06.12.1960

No. E. 490/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. I had written a letter to you on Mangalore's address from Vijayawada. But it seems from your second letter which I received at Sedam, that you have not received that letter. I did not go to Gulbarga. About it I had already intimated through Shri Raghavendra Rao. I had stated in my letter that I would reach Shoranur on 29th December by night. Now it is decided that I would be going to Madras on 2nd January by evening train. It would be better if it is convenient for you to meet me there. I stay at Shoranur with Shri M.P. Mootha Datta, Railway contractor, at his residence. I leave Bellary on 11th December and reach Dharwad the same night to stay with Vineet Ramchandra Rao. Departing from there on 14th December I will reach Bangalore the next day morning. From there I shall go to Tirupati on 18th. To put it in short you can meet me at any place convenient to you.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Bangalore Address: Shri R. Sheshadri, 121, V Road, Mysore Bank Colony, Jayanagar Extension, BANGALORE.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 13.01.1961

No. F. 38/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. I reached this place yesterday afternoon. Here, because of sudden and excessive cold I am suffering from cold and cough. At Madras Savaiah had met me. But it was on the day when I was to leave Madras. It was possible to give him one sitting only. There was a need for more cleaning. I did what was possible to do in one sitting. I was surprised to know that there was so much need for cleaning after coming to you for the purpose. I came to the conclusion that due to your engagement in your work you could not give the time needed for it. You must give more attention to internal cleaning and devote more time for it than transmission.

Some people are coming from South India to participate in the function (utsav) probably from Tiruchinapalli. Tyagarajan might have sent you some pamphlets on Sahaj Marg. Please write whether you have received them or not. "Efficacy of Rajayoga" has come out after the second print. Five copies of the same have been sent through Saviah. Probably you might have received them.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Got written through Ishwar Sahaiji

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 21.02.1961

No. F. 92/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. I had been to Lakhimpur for ten(10) days. I came back today. Received your letter also. I am replying to it. I am happy to learn that your children have become good. May God keep them healthy.

About Meera, certainly worry is there. The defect is at such a place that if transmission is given on that spot to cure the disease, all the chakras of that place will be opened. Hence I am taking work by Prayer only. At Bangalore you could not meet Sri Sheshadri. I have started taking work from him. He will come to Mangalore also on tour. He will see you when he comes there. I want to take your case in a special way and will take it soon. Pray to God for your wife on the same lines as you offer Mission's prayer. Definitely the condition will change. Our Rev. Master used to say that a man should lead his family life in such a way, that on being rebuked and scolded by others, he should feel that he alone is at fault, and that is why they are saying like that . By this we do not feel sad. Rev. Master used to call this a penance. Hence in the world one should develop an attitude of shamelessness. A British gentlmen, has appreciated our book Reality at Dawn so much that he has sought my permission to translate it into German language. For satsang if there is any temple or open space nearby start sitting there only. In case you

happen to meet Swami Ramadasji, you have to reveal yourself more than him.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 02.03.1961

No. F. 120/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 14, February, 1961. God willing the issues which you have written, may get reduced. I wish that you should keep informing me more often about your condition. All these complications of your conditions shall be leading us towards good results. But I do not also want that you should remain caught under the claws of these complications. Has Shri Raghavendra Rao not given attention towards removing these complications? A German philosopher has asked for my permission to translate the book "Reality at Dawn" into German language. Permission is given. He himself is doing some meditation in which he wants my help. It is good that you have met shri Ramadasji. Very few people know the name of our Mission. Whether people follow it or not the name of the Mission and its teachings need to reach every house. By now my letter might have reached you.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 16.05.1961

No. F. 224/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your affectionate letter. We were expecting you very much. Shri Ramchandra Rao, Shri Bhimsen Rao, and Shri Sham Rao have come here on 26.04.1961. On 10th of May Shri Gopal Rao, Shri Shambhu Rao and Shri Gunde Rao have come from Bidar.

Shri Raghavendra Rao had written from Bellary about Vineet Ramchandra Rao that he has praised Sai Baba a lot in his magazine 'Pradeep'. And they (Vineet Ramchandra Rao and his wife) also went there and took initiation (Upadesh) from him. On that, I wrote to Vineet Ramchandra Rao that, in Sahaj Marg system cleaning is done from within. And as long as things are not cleaned, it is impossible to reach God. In India there are many Mahatmas. I have respects and regards for them. About them my objection is only this: They teach abhyasis about the methods, but they do not know the cleaning of the abhyasis. Nor do they help the abhyasis with their internal power. Still I have regards for them, if they are not garbed with mere miracles (Here I have shown Sai Baba's deficiency). And at the end of the letter I have stated "In case you are not convinced by the teachings of our Guru Maharaj, please inform me so. In that case, I will only feel sorry to withdraw myself. Vineetji's wife informed; "both of us had been for Sai Baba's darshan. And it is only by your grace that we got God". After that I received Vineetji's most competent letter. I shall reply to it within 3 or 4 days. I shall write some very special things in it.

Letter of Vineet Ramchandra Rao

(This title is given for clarity as it is not in the original)

"I read your letter again and again. There is nothing in it, which I do not accept. Nor is there anything in it about which I can not raise objection". You are in my heart and I see you in the form of my father. I cannot say that there is a relation of Guru and Shishya, between us. I have grasped the teachings of the Ramchandra Mission intuitively and they have become the yeast (invigourating drink or food supplement) of my life. In that sense you are my Guru. And we have many such Gurus, e.g. Sri Aurobindo, Sri Ramana Maharshi, Sri Ramakrishna, Sri Vivekanada, Sharada Devi, J.Krishna Murthy, Swami Ram Das, there after, Bhagwan Sri Satya Sai Baba. He is God's incarnation. He was showing divine powers from childhood itself. He does not perform miracles, but they have become his nature. You can see him from your inner vision. Sai Baba is God himself. He is love from top to toe. And he has won over my heart by his love. And if anybody objects to this view of mine, I am not ready to accept it."

At the end he has stated: "I do not Know whether I am your fulfledged disciple, but I am certainly your child."

This is a strange letter. I do want to reply to it, and also I donot want to reply it. I shall send the copie of his letter and also my letter to Raghavendra Rao, so that he (Raghavendra Rao) will get an understanding (warning) about the people approaching him. As per my understanding Sri Vineetji has made his heart a Dharmshala (caravanserai or choultry) where every traveller stays. Brother, by removing which of the travellers resting there, should I make his heart the residence of God! Certainly he is a good gentleman. But under such condition what can I do? Besides, when he has got God, where is the need for another God? The opinion of a preceptor of our Mission about Sai Baba has come long back. Another person has given his opinion after observing the real things present there. What opinion should I give? From whom soever one gets benefit, he should follow him. If we do not know how to use the divine power, it means we have not gone nearer to God. Vineetji is a very good and competent person. In case he had practiced with sincerity, he would have done Mission's work also in a good manner. But I do not feel sorry for it. The number of competent persons who are with me at present, I prefer them over hundreds and hundreds of competent persons.

You have translated the book "Reality at Dawn" into Kannada. I have made some amendments in it. I thought I would inform you, if you had come here. But as you could not come here, I shall inform you about those amendments either after knowing your correct address or after the commencement of your college. Please include them. And after including them, please make a thorough review and then prepare the fair copy for the press. I consider your translation as authoritative. I do not consider the translation made by Vineetji as authentic, as it has been amended and published by him in "Pradeep" magazine. You have sought permission for translating the other books also in Kannada. You can do it. While translating "The Efficacy of Raja Yoga", instead of translating it from the first edition, it should be done from the second edition. I have added some more foot notes in the second edition. I have

sent some books from Madras through Sabayya. In case of need for more, they may be got from there. These days I have taken you in a special way. Therefore, every ten or fifteen days you should write to me whatever you feel and you should also study yourself, because you should know everything. Here all satsangis are conveying their namaskars (greetings) to you.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 15.07.1961

No. F. 328/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your two letters. I felt happy to learn that you would be coming nearer to Gulbarga. The climate of Mysore also is good. Moreover, houses will be available there at low rent. I got this news from Shri Sheshadri who had been to this place on 3rd July. He will be going to Bangalore on 17th July.

My hopes and expectations are also connected to you.

The conditions of the dear one is changing and entering into a good state. In fact every condition is good if faith is firm. Write to me after going to Mysore. I will send the amendments relating to "Reality at Dawn". You can translate any book into Kannada, because all these are your books only. Sri Sheshadri, Shri Ishwar Sahaiji and Kasturiji have conveyed their greetings to you.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 05.10.1961.

No. F. 516/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. Received your letter. My blood pressure is still running low. That way, it remains always low. But when it falls too low, there will be more weakness. Now, as winter is approaching, I will be alright. There is nothing to worry. I have replied to your first letter relating to the book "Reality at Dawn". I hope it might have reached. Shri Ayal Reddyji is coming during Dasara vacations. Along with him some more persons too will be coming.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 19.11.1961.

No. F. 586/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. I had asked master saheb (Ishwar Sahaiji) to write a letter to you relating to the subject you had asked about the book "Reality at Dawn", and in that I had asked about few things. I wish, all these things should be settled soon, so that you may be able to get the copy ready for printing. The reply to it is not yet received. This work is to be completed soon.

You start the work at Dharwad having faith in God and you should have self confidence too. There you should meet Mrutyunjaya Swamy and give some talk also there. Some very good letters of mine are with Smt. Nivedita wife of Shri Ramchandra Rao. You will like those letters very much. Possibly, they may serve well in the composition of a good literature. For them all these letters are of no use. They might be useful for your work. Some how try to convince them and get the letters and keep them with you.

These days my health had deteriorated due to pain in my stomach. Now it is alright. This year South Indian tour during winter stands cancelled. I shall decide about it after the Basant Panchami is over, which falls on 10th February.

Prayer for children. Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 28/29.11.1961

No. F. 601/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your affectionate letter.

Now get the 14th line on page No. 125 of the book "Reality at Dawn" corrected. That sentence will now be as follows:

1."We start from Dhyan, the seventh step of Yoga."

2. Wherever I have written self realisation, there it means God realisation. Therefore the first letter of self realisation should be big "S", that is, capital letter.

3. Page 46, 2nd para, in the 4th line, instead of " a balance," it should be "perfect balance"

4. On page 67 in the 15th line insert add 'read as' : "The wonderful examples of the great sages like my Master, Samarth Guru Shri Ramchandraji Maharaj of Fatehgarh, Swami Vivekananda and others, offer ample proof of it".

5. On page 69, 13th line from top : "We get light from Him" Here in place of "light" the word "might" is wrongly printed.

6. Page 133, Para II : "He enjoys the highest power. It starts from the left region of the occipital bone as given in diagram No.5 on page No.

34 of my book "Efficacy of Raja Yoga in the light of Sahaj Marg" II Edition.

It is good that Shri Vineetji has not given up Sahaj Marg. But during the period of my practice I never made my heart a common Dharmashala and allow every tourist to stay. Shri Vineetji himself is comparatively a very good person. Hence I respect him. But I feel sorry for not being able to serve him. The desire remained unfulfilled. Shri Vineetji has praised Sai Baba a lot. He had written in his letter that the present Sai Baba, even when he was a child, started telling that he was the senior Sai Baba and that he was performing miracles. That is to say that senior Sai Baba has taken rebirth. This means the present Sai Baba is the Sai Baba of the previous birth. And we must accept this fact. What can be inferred from this is that senior Sai Baba, inspite of showing so many miracles and doing others' work could not get liberation, and the present Sai Baba too-whom I too respect-cannot get liberation as long as he does not have company of one who has negated himself. If my view is accepted as correct, what benefit one would get by following a person who cannot help us to reach the real goal? Rarely available are the persons who pentrate into the heart of others and set them on the right path. This is really the greatest miracle. From different statements it becomes established that Sai Baba solves other's problems. But this is a worldly thing beyond which he has no access. There was a muslim saint near Sitapur. He too was showing many such miracles. We come across many such persons.

It is good that you have taken Vineetji's house (on rent). But by going through the tone of your letter, this thought arose in me that you too should not turn towards that side. All that glitters is not gold. You are yourself engaged in teaching work. I do not create peace ; but I try to see that the abhyasi grows from within by himself, the poisonous matter of samskars (impressions) is removed, and, purged of the samskars, he becomes pure, so that an unbridled and firm peace sets in.

Smt. Vineetji has given my reference in one of her articles. In case you get the information about it, please inform.

Prayer for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 22.12.1961

No. F. 642/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your post card and a cover. I will try to reply in English. My competence in English is very limited. Hence there will be doubt about occurance of mistakes. When some one is available to take down the letter, whether I dictate it in English or Urdu, the effect will be the same. But the same thing will not happen when I sit down to write myself. Because the matter, which comes in a way charged, loses its effect when I write myself. Shri Raghavendra Rao had asked me that for occipital bone if any suitable word is got, either in Hindi or Sanskrit the same should be written. But as far as I understand it is difficult to get such word. Even if it is available, it becomes difficult to understand it. Hence English word only will be proper. In case Hindi or Sanskrit word is available, it can be written in brackets. The backside of the neck is called occiput. Therefore, if considered proper it can be written as 'the bone above the back of the neck' in brackets. I have written many things about realisation in several letters. In case they are collected they may become a topic. Nevertheless I will again write for you only, but it will be in brief, because we do not get words.

Prayer for children.

Well- wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 30.07.1962

No. G. 327/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. I am happy to note that you are coming. The books that are to be sent to three libraries as per the Act will be sent from here. I have that Act also. I know all those things. Try for as many reviews of the book as possible. It rained here once or twice at the beginning of the month of "Shravan". It was so less that not even an inch of earth could get wet. Now since three, four days, now and then there was some scanty rain in this area.

There will be "Janmashtami" function on 21 August here. You inform about it to the nearby satsangis.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 08.09.1962

No. G. 4/SRCM

Dear brother Sarnadji,

Blessings. You had asked for hints from me in English as you wanted to write an article in Kannada on "SahajMarg Training" and "State of Realisation". As per your wish I have written in English. My proficiency in English is very limited. Therefore I feel difficulty. Secondly, I have gone through books and the concerned literature very little. Hence I cannot write very well. I know only that much which Rev. Master taught me practically that was necessary for the purpose. You can choose the necessary hints from it for your topic. The topic of "The State of Realisation" is such that it is difficult to write about it. It is my good fortune that I got good persons like you. Besides, by the grace of God you have read a lot. If you pick up courage you can write

a lot very well. Still for some reason or the other if there is any difficulty you can ask me. I shall write to the extent I know.

Shri Jahangir Rai (Jahagirdar?) is tranferred to your place. Today his letter is also received. 3 copies of magazines belonging to him are also sent along with your magazines. Please give them to him. Shri Vineetji's Magazine is sent on his address only.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 30.09.1962

No. G. 440/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. I came to know through Raghavendra Rao's letter that you would be going on North Indian tour with your students and that you have only one day's time to visit Shahjahanpur. I will be available at home only upto 13th October. I returned yesterday after completing the tour of Assam and Calcutta.

Prayers for Children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 23.07.1963

No. H. 309/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. I reached Shahjahanpur on 21st July. On coming here, I came to know that ch.Sarvesh, due to falling the same day, had developed a crack in the right hand bone. Plaster is put on. The two carpets with you are to be sent to this place. At Bellary Sri Jahagirdar had told that he would write to Sarnadji for sending them. I had given my son's address to him as I was out of station. But so far its Railway receipt is not received. Therefore, I want to know whether you have sent them or not. Incase not sent, please send them by passenger train. As I have come here you can send them on my address only. When you write Shahjahanpur, write Uttar Pradesh compulsorily, because there should be no uncertainty about their reaching.

My heart was filled up with joy after reading your letter which was full of love. You should develop the habit of constant remembrance. The night prayer should be done in such a manner that tears of love gush out from the eyes. Then every thing will be smooth.

During this tour the number of satsangis increased every where. At Madras one more centre is established. Shri Veera Raghavan is its incharge. He is the brother-in-law of Shri Sheshadri.

Prayers for Children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Janmashtami will be observed on August, 14th.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 25.09.1963

No. H. 434/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. I came to know about the conditions. I wish that you stay with me for few days. There is a need for lot of cleaning. One day at Bidar I had devoted some time for you, and had also told you about my finding. Due to ill health I could not work more. I am attending on you little by little. Please write to me whether you are being benefited by it. If you cannot be in remembrance always, please keep remembering during leisure time. I will be on tour of Assam, Calcutta and other places from 21st October to 9th November. Hence it will be of no use for you to come during Dasara Vacations. Try to come during Basant Panchami. Sri Raghavendra Rao also will be coming. Get the leave sanctioned as to

be able to stay here either some days before Basant Panchami or after Basant Panchami.

Prayers for children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.

Om Tat Sat

Shri Ramchandra Mission, Shahjahanpur, U.P. India. D: 09.12.1963

No. H. 610/SRCM

Dear brother,

Blessings. I felt very sorry to learn that your father passed away from this ephemeral world. We are helpless before God's Will. I had to bear with, being helpless. May God bestow peace on his soul and strength to you to tolerate.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra.