



# Saman Shri Shrutpragyaji



## News Letter

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In this special edition, we bring you a comprehensive overview of the grand inauguration celebration of the new Samanji Gurukulam. Discover all the highlights of this landmark event, including a detailed look at the generous donors who made this vision a reality.

You will also find insights into the various activities that marked the opening, along with inspiring moments from Samanji's recent trips to Bengaluru and Mahesana. This edition offers a deeper connection to the spiritual journey unfolding at Gurukulam.

Join us in celebrating this new chapter, filled with devotion, community, and the spreading of wisdom.



Samanji Gurukulam - Bhanvad



# A Divine Gurukul in Bhanvad, Powered by Global Donors

## A Historic Moment in Bhanvad's Educational Journey

On February 2nd, a significant milestone was achieved in Bhanvad with the grand inauguration of Samanji (Shrutpragyaji) Gurukulam. Established by Yaduvanshi Education & Cheritable Trust within the Tapovan campus, this Gurukul was unveiled during the annual celebrations of Tapovan Ghummla and Purusharth School.

## Purusharth School & Tapovan : A Fusion of Spirituality & Education

Purusharth School in Bhanvad stands out as a unique educational institution, integrating practical learning with spirituality. Now evolving into Tapovan Skill Education, this school's spiritual foundation has been further strengthened with the launch of Samanji (Shrutpragyaji) Gurukulam. This initiative aims to nurture future generations through values, discipline, and selfless service.

## A 30 - Room Gurukul Built in Just 5 Months with Global Support

A remarkable aspect of this Gurukul is that it was built within just 5 months, with 3.5 crore funding contributed by over 30 international donors.

Jain centers from Memphis (USA), Austin (Texas), Chicago, California, Atlanta, Malaysia, Japan, and many more played a vital role in making this dream a reality. Over 20 global donors attended the inaugural ceremony, and they were deeply inspired by the divine aura of the Gurukul.

## A Home for 300 Daughters

This newly constructed Gurukul will house 300 daughters, providing them with a holistic education that blends spirituality, discipline, and service.

## A Vision of Spiritual Education – Words of Samanji (Shrutpragyaji):

Samanji (Shrutpragyaji) emphasized:

- ♦ Purusharth and Tapovan are not commercial ventures, but selfless missions for education. This is why so many generous donors have become pillars of this Gurukulam.
- ♦ Education without spirituality is incomplete.
- ♦ Bhanvad is set to become a spiritual center once again. To fulfill Trikam Bapu's prophecy, the people of Bhanvad must contribute and repay their debt to Ghummla.





### Special Guests & Their Messages:

- ♦ Hon. Mulu Bhai Bera\*, Cabinet Minister of Gujarat –
- ♦ Purusharth School is reviving the ancient Gurukul system, a commendable effort for the nation.
- ♦ Educationist Kanu Bhai Karkar – “When saints initiate educational institutions, they create a perfect blend of learning and spirituality. With Samanji’s guidance, Bhanvad will be redefined in this field.
- ♦ International Donors & Their Generous Contributions:
- ♦ With Samanji’s inspiration, over 30 donors contributed ₹3.5 crore, resulting in the completion of this grand 4-story Gurukul with 31 spacious rooms. More than \*20 NRI donors attended the inauguration\* and were profoundly moved by the sacred environment.
- ♦ Every rupee donated here has been 100% fruitful.”\*
- ♦ Jain Center Memphis (USA) – 18 donors sponsored 18 rooms
- ♦ Special thanks to \*Smt. Chanchala Ben & Vinay bhai Mehta, & thire Family\* whose generosity inspired fellow donors:

### Donors from Memphis, USA\*

- ◆ Poornaben Amarbhai Gajjar
- ◆ Poornimaben Rameshbhai Purohit
- ◆ Linaben Kamleshbhai Parekh
- ◆ Urmiben Harishbhai Visariya
- ◆ Jayaben Vishanji Gala
- ◆ Meenaben Narendra Shah
- ◆ Pritiben Laljibhai Bakshi
- ◆ Bharatiben Kaushikbhai Parikh
- ◆ Madhuriben Shah
- ◆ Minalben Narendra Shah
- ◆ Dr. Indurani Tejwani
- ◆ Neha, Dr. Jankiben, Poornimaben, Dipika & Deepa

### Donors from Austin, Texas (USA):

- ◆ Sonal Ketanbhai Shah
- ◆ Devangi Jineshbhai Gandhi
- ◆ Sonalben Nirmalbhai Khanderiya
- ◆ Parulben Mukeshbhai Kamdar
- ◆ Vibhaben Mayurbhai Mehta

No	કચ્છી નામ	કચ્છીયો નામ	દેશ/સ્ટેટ	માળ
1	પદ્માબી શહ	Usha Babulal Shah, From Dheval & Ketan Shah	California & Austin, USA	
2	પદ્મવંશ શહ(૨)	Alisha & Eva Gandhi, From Devangli & Jinesh Gandhi	Austin, USA	
3	પદ્મવંશ શહ(૩)	Lt. Niranjan Khanderla, From Sonal, Nirmal & Family	Austin, USA	Ground floor
4	વંશનાથ શહ(૨)	Dr. Harkishore & Bhanumati Kamdar, From Parul & Mukesh Kamdar	Austin, USA	
5	વપ્પાબેવ શહ(૧)	Vasantray & Ranjanben Mehta, From Vibha & Mayur Mehta	Austin, USA	
6	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૧)	Poorna Amar Gajjar & Family	Memphis, USA	
7	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Beena Nilesh Shah & Minal Jayant Shah & Family	Chicago, USA	
8	પદ્મવંશ શહ(૨)	Lt. Dr. Shantilal Laxmichand Parekh, Mrs. Ramila Shantilal Parekh, From Purnima Purohit	Memphis, USA	
9	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Surajben Hiratal Parekh, From Lina Kamlesh Parekh	Memphis, USA	1st floor
10	પદ્મવંશ શહ(૨)	Laxmiben Nanchand Shah, From Lina Kamlesh Parekh	Memphis, USA	
11	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Javerben Visanji Vishria, From Urmil Harish Vishria	Memphis, USA	
12	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Kalpna Manhar Vora, From Urmil Harish Vishria	Memphis, USA	

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13	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Lt. Surajben & Lt. Anupchand Keshavji Mehta, From Keshore & Vinod Mehta	Malaysia	
14	કુલ્પવંશ શહ(૨)	Deepak, Sampurna, Amit Shah & Mona Patel's Family	Atlanta, USA	
15	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Mithaben Thakershi Gala, From Jaya Visanji Gala	Memphis, USA	
16	વંશનાથ શહ(૨)	પાનવંશી પ્રેમજી શેઠા, પ્રેમજી પ્રેમવંશી શેઠા, નેહા, કમલ, કલ્પે : મીનાબેન નરેન્દ્રભાઈ શાહ	Memphis, USA	2nd Floor
17	પદ્મવંશ શહ(૨)	લક્ષ્મીબેન નાનવંશી શાહ, નાનવંશી કુમારવંશી શાહ, કોટડી, કમલ, કલ્પે : મીનાબેન નરેન્દ્રભાઈ શાહ	Memphis, USA	
18	વાણીવંશ શહ(૨)	Kirtanalal & Kundanben Baxi, Hasmukhlal & Pravinaaben Mody, From Priti Lalji Baxi	Devgadh Boria & Gotcha, Gujarat, Memphis, USA	
19	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	Thakershiji Hirji Gala, From Jaya Visanji Gala	Memphis, USA	
20	જાગીરંદાશ શહ(૨)	GUJARATI ASSOCIATION	KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA	
21	મહિલાશ શહ(૨)	Lt. Shantaben Vallabhdas Parikh, From Bharat Kaushik Parikh	Memphis, USA	
22	કુલ્પવંશ શહ(૨)	From Janaki, Purnima, Neha, Dipika & Deepa	Memphis, USA	
23	મહિલાશ શહ(૨)	Devchand Umarsih Shah, Mumbai, From Madhuri Shah	Memphis, USA	3rd Floor
24	વંશનાથ શહ(૨)	Keshavilal & Kantaben Sheth, Banailal & Hasumati Shah, From Shefalil Babul Sheth	Fremont, CA-USA	
25	મહાદેવ શાહી શહ(૨)	Kiritl & Kirtida Bavishi, Punil, Reema, Anaya, Palak, Sagar, Aashvi	Fremont, CA- USA	
26	કુલ્પવંશ શહ	Dr. Indurani Tejwani	Memphis, USA	

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- ♦ Devangi Jineshbhai Gandhi
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vParulben Mukeshbhai Kamdar

- ♦ Vibhaben Mayurbhai Mehta

### **Donors from Chicago, USA;**

- ♦ Binaben Nileshbhai Shah
- ♦ Minalben Jayantbhai Shah
- ♦ Dr. Mosmiben Sejalbhai Shah
- ♦ Dulariben Paragbhai Shah
- ♦ Shelajaben Manishbhai Gandhi

### **Murti Installation & Religious Contributions**

- ♦ Japan – Sunil Jain sponsored Parshvanath Bhagwan's idol
- ♦ Cincinnati, USA – Vilasben Ashwinbhai Shah sponsored Padmavati Devi's idol
- ♦ California, USA – Kirtidaben & Kiritbhai Bavishi sponsored Saraswati Devi's idol
- ♦ Chicago, USA – Manishaben Hirenbhai Shah sponsored Saraswati Devi's idol at Purusharth School
- ♦ The Peace of Mind Foundation and Purusharth School express heartfelt gratitude to all these generous donors.

### **Donors from California, USA:**

- ♦ Kirtidaben Kiritbhai Bavishi
- ♦ Shefaliben Babulbhai Sheth
- ♦ Dhavalbhai Shah

### **Other International Donors:**

- ♦ Poornaben Deepakbhai Shah (Atlanta)
- ♦ Bharatiben Vinodbhai Mehta (Malaysia)
- ♦ Gujarati Association, Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)
- ♦ Tarunbhai Agrawal (Japan)
- ♦ Lt. Hansaben Kamani  
(from Arti paresh Kamani - Singapore)





## Scholarship Donors & Their Sponsored Students:

1. Arunaben Pradeepbhai Mehta – London - 2 Girls
2. Kalpanaben Ashwinbhai Parekh – Cincinnati, USA - One Girl
3. Ranjanben Pravinbhai Shah – Cincinnati, USA - One Girl
4. Dr. Chinubhai Patel – USA - One Girl
5. Hansaben Navneetbhai Shah – Cincinnati, USA - One Girl
6. Jayashriben Mahendrabhai Shah – London - One Girl

**Heartfelt gratitude to all donors for shaping the future of these students!**



Plaque Unveiling – Samanji Gurukulam: By Samanji & Esteemed Donors



Samanji Gurukulam was inaugurated by Samanji and esteemed donors.



### **An Emotional Moment for the Contributors:**

"We are so happy to see our dream come to life! Congratulations to the entire team for their immense effort in making this possible." – Kirit Bhai Bavishi, Parul & Mukesh Kamdar said in thire feedback.

### **Volunteer Efforts & Execution**

The grand success of this event was made possible by the tireless efforts of:

- ♦ Teachers & students
- ♦ Architect Hirenbhai
- ♦ Contractor Niteshbhai
- ♦ Dakshaben & Khushalbhai Shillu

### **Conclusion: A Vision for the Future:**

This Gurukul is not just a structure of bricks and mortar; it is a divine confluence of education and spirituality, where future generations will be nurtured with moral values.

- ♦ Education's flame, dimming in our nation, has been rekindled by the collective contributions of donors who pledged ₹3.5 crore with unwavering faith. Salutations to these visionaries!
- ♦ A new spiritual chapter has begun in Bhanvad, one that will illuminate lives for generations to come!





## Tribute to Kantibhai and Shardaben Patel: A Legacy of Values and Dedication

Mahesana (Gujarat): January 12, 2025

“It’s rare to celebrate greatness while it’s still among us, but today, we honor the living legacy of Kantibhai Ganeshdas Patel and Shardaben Patel, whose lives are a testament to sacrifice, love, and values.”

Kantibhai, a beacon of peace and humility, has been a guiding force for his family and community. His calm demeanor, even amidst challenges, and his ability to embrace life without complaints stand as powerful lessons. With over 36 years of dedicated service to the Palavasna Seva Sahakari Mandli, he has not only led with wisdom but also upheld his father Ganeshdas Patel’s vision. Standing beside him, Shardaben embodies compassion and generosity, nurturing their family with love and instilling a deep sense of unity. Her support has been the foundation of their shared success, making her an equal partner in every achievement.

Most of their children and grandchildren live in Australia, where they continue to uphold these values. Samanji knows the family well, and they often invite him to Australia for Satsang, reflecting their commitment to spiritual growth. Darshnaben and Satishbhai Patel, along with Dashrathbhai Patel, are deeply aware of the importance of passing these values to the next generation.

It is a great honor for the family to celebrate their parents’ legacy while they are alive—a powerful symbol of unity and respect for tradition.



Celebrating a Legacy of Love and Values - Kantibhai and Shardaben Patel's Journey Honored in the Presence of Family, Friends, and Spiritual Leader Saman Shrutapragyaji



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# Bengaluru Trip



Priceless Gift - Samanji handing over the wonderful wealth of knowledge-books-to his student Dikshita & Rajan in Bengaluru

January 12 - 17, 2025

From January 12 to 17, 2025, Samanji and Dr. Graham visited Bengaluru for six enriching days filled with spiritual exchanges and meaningful interactions. The trip included a wonderful meeting with Kiran and Alok Ji, during which Graham had a meaningful discussion with them about the translation from Hindi to English.

A special satsang was held with Binduben and Girishbhai Damani's group in Rajaji Nagar, offering deep spiritual insights. Samanji also visited the residences of Dikshita and Rajan Patel, Rekhaben Vijaybhai Shah, and Ritaben Rashmikanth Lakhani for blessings and gochari, sharing wisdom and love.

Ashokji from Art of Living met with Samanji, leading to a profound satsang that inspired all present. The visit concluded with a warm gathering hosted by Haresh Hirani at Rajaji Nagar, where Samanji shared his teachings with the private Group.

This trip was a wonderful opportunity to connect, learn, and grow spiritually, leaving a lasting impact on all those who attended.



"Moments of Grace - Saman Shrutapragyaji visits the residence of Girishbhai and Binduben Damani in Bengaluru, sharing blessings and wisdom following an inspiring satsang session."



Graceful Presence - Samanji and Dr. Graham visiting Rekhaben Vijaybhai Shah's residence in Bengaluru, sharing wisdom and warmth



# Memory of the Month

- ♦ Samanji and Dr. Graham visited the GT Girls Hostel, where they shared words of encouragement and distributed notebooks and peanuts to the students, inspiring them towards a brighter future.
- ♦ Samanji visited various homes for Gochari along with Bhimsibhai and held satsangs with the parents and staff of Purusharth School, fostering spiritual connection and guidance within the community.
- ♦ Samanji had the divine opportunity to offer darshan and engage in a meaningful meeting with Pujya Mahashramanji in Rajkot, exchanging spiritual insights and blessings.
- ♦ In Bengaluru, Samanji visited different families, offering dharma laabh and blessings, strengthening the spiritual bonds within the community.



Ritaben Rashmikant Lakhani presenting a special gift to Samanji after a delightful Gochari - at their Bengaluru residence.



Donating notebook



Meaningful Exchange - Ashokbhai meeting Samanji in Bengaluru and presenting books as a thoughtful gift.





Profound Moments - Samanji engaging in a wonderful discussion after darshan and a graceful conversation with Pujya Mahashramanji in Rajkot.



Divine Blessings - Samanji's gochari at Shraddha, daughter of Shilpa Bharat Kapdi, fostering spiritual connection and grace.



Spiritual Grace - Gochari at Manjuben Ghelubhai Karmur's home, followed by a wonderful satsang filled with wisdom and devotion.



Graceful Moments - Gochari at Bansi, daughter of Aruna Arvindbhai Jadav, accompanied by an enlightening satsang



Sharing Blessings - Samanji distributes peanuts and notebooks to the girls at GT Girls Hostel, Rajkot, fostering both practical and spiritual nourishment.



## **Samanji's Upcoming Schedule**

**1. Abhavalay, Rajkot**  
**Feb 4 - 8, 2025**

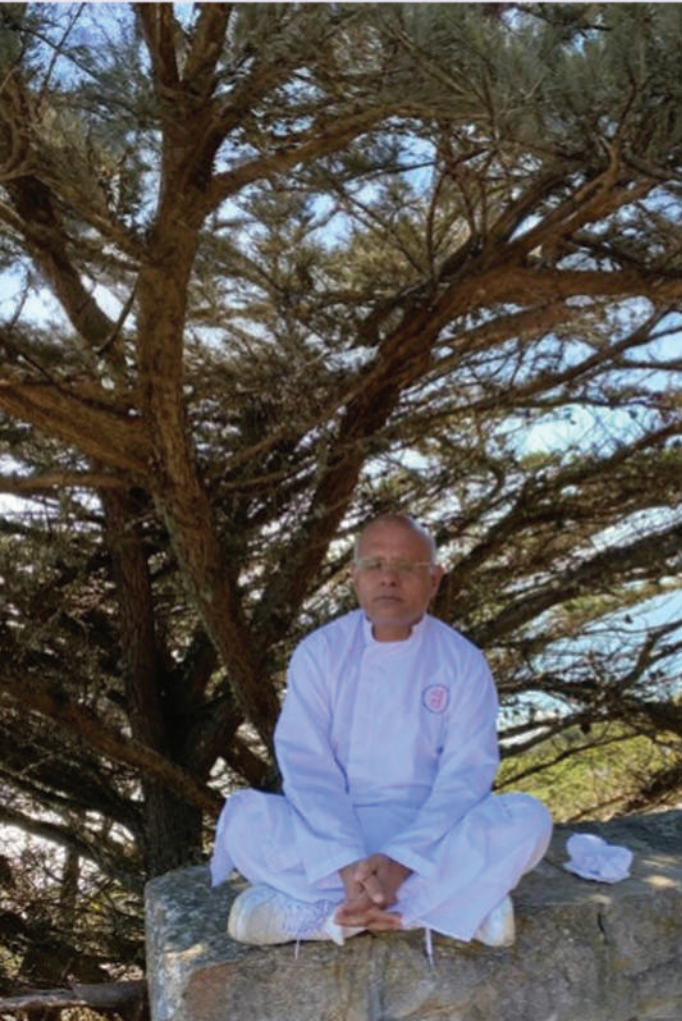
**2. Bikaner Trip**  
**Feb 9 -11, 2025**

**3. PanjabTrip**  
**Feb 12 - 14, 2025**

**4. Abhavalay, Rajkot**  
**Feb 15 - 21, 2025**

**5. Saurashtra Trip**  
**Feb 22 -28, 2025**

**6. Bhanvad Trip**  
**March 1 - 7, 2025**



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