

**Mr. Sadasivan Naicker**  
**National President Message**  
**TISI Sangam**

Namaskaram

At the outset I wish a very happy and prosperous festival season to all of you. I hope you all will enjoy reading the last newsletter of 2019 which reflects the achievements of Sangam and way forward for a sustainable organization for future. This year had been remarkably a very challenging and successful year for TISI Sangam Fiji as we managed to purchase two new properties - 10 acres of freehold land in Nadawa, Nasinu from Nasinu Land Purchase Co – operative Limited and 3 acres of crown lease land at Navakai, Nadi from Fiji Sugar Corporation. The land at Nadawa will have a marked value of twenty-five to thirty million and the land at Navakai, Nadi will have the market value of five million dollars.

The construction of Sangam Cultural Complex at Nadi will be completed early next year and our investment in the project will be around seven million dollars. This is another land mark achievement for Sangam. Saravana Bhavan, vegetarian restaurant at Nadi temple was officially opened in June 2019 which is presently attracting lot of people from Fiji and abroad for vegetarian meals. TISI Sangam Fiji has two more projects namely Retirement Village at Nawai Nadi and a Hostel at Siberia Road property in Labasa which will start next year.

The National Executives, Devasthanam board members and district Presidents and branch Executives attended the annual pooja at our Sangam temples. TISI Sangam Fiji contributed \$1000 to all our eighteen Sangam temples during the year to help the local Committees to have successful annual pooja. The Annual Thirunaal at all our temples attracted very large number of devotees and Sangam members from Fiji and abroad. The support from the business community, members of Sangam and general public had been tremendous.



**Mr. Damend Gounder**  
**Secretary General Message**  
**TISI Sangam**

Namaskaram,

Welcome to the 2019 3rd Quarter Volume of the TISI Newsletter.

I am pleased that we have included many news and information of the roles some of our female members are playing in Sangam.

Empowering Women or Gender Equality are decades old topics and have been discussed over and over again.

The question still remains “have we done anything or have we done enough?”

It is recorded both nationally and internationally on the strides women have made in education, health, businesses, political and many other fields. In TISI Sangam Women continue to play a major role through the Mather Sangam and provide leadership and guidance to the many members.

Despite the many achievements of women, a lot more needs to be done to bring about equality and fair representation of women in the society.

There still exists many restrictions for women in the name of religious or traditional norms within the society and the quicker we face to fix these the better for today's and the future generations.

Let us be the generation of change.

Namaskaram and Enjoy the newsletter.

## FROM THE CEO'S DESK



The Volume 13 of the Sangam Newsletter, the second one for 2019 highlights some very interesting experiences and contributions of our women in Sangam. This issue is dedicated for the empowerment of women in Sangam.

Two National Executive Board meetings & Council of Management Meetings have been convened in the past 4 months and one of the features of these meetings was that they were hosted in the Branches that did not host these meetings for some time. These venues were Raviravi and Labasa.

The Secretary General together with the National Executives has also visited most of the districts to meet with the district committees for briefings and getting feedback on the issues at the various districts. This effort has created a very conducive environment for discussions to see how we can complement each other to move on and resolve some of the challenges faced with dialogue and consultations.

The recently opened SARAVANA Bhavan Pure Vegetarian restaurant at the Sri Siva Subramanium Swami Temple, Nadi, which was officially opened by the High Commissioner of India to Fiji, Smt. Padmaja on the 22<sup>nd</sup> on June, 2019, is featuring very well in

providing a variety of Pure Vegetarian meals to all our devotees as well as the public. The restaurant is open from 7.30 am to 3.00 pm every day, including the buffet lunch on every Wednesday as well as is open for dinner on every Tuesdays.

Another major progress for Sangam is the Sangam Cultural Complex, which is a major project of the TISI Sangam is anticipated to be completed by the first quarter of 2020. This complex consists of basement for parking, the first floor with 5 business outlets, a 750 seat hall and commercial kitchen, while the top floor will house offices and accommodation units.

This year the Sadhu Kuppuswamy Day was observed at all the branches & Schools with the Sadhu Kuppuswamy Memorial Lecture series this year being presented in Labasa for the first time. The Key Note Speaker was Dr. Neelesh Gounder, Senior lecturer in Economics at the USP. Ambassador Amraiya Naidu gave his reflections of sangam in Labasa and the chief Guest for the occasion was the Tui Macuata Ratu Wiliame Katonivere.

The next TISI Sangam Convention is going to be hosted by the Nasinu TISI Sangam at the Laucala Bay National sports complex in Suva.

**JAI NARAYAN**

## REFLECTIONS OF WOMEN IN SANGAM



**Mrs. Kamini Mudliar**

Kamini Kaushal Mudliar's rose from a canteen staff to senior chef at the Saravana Bhavan pure vegetarian restaurant at the Sri Siva Subramanium Swami Temple. Kamini Mudliar joined the Sri Siva

Subramanium Swamy Temple as a canteen staff in 2014. She hails from Sanasana, Sabeto, Nadi and is the Secretary of Sabeto Sangam for the past 15 years. She talent in cooking and the aspirations to learn has seen her rise from being a canteen staff to become the Senior chef of the newly opened Saravana Bhavan Pure Vegetarian Restaurant at the Nadi Temple.

The Saravana Vegetarian restaurant specializes in all local vegetarian foods, South Indian snacks and all South Indian cuisine which Kamini is cooking under the guidance of a professional Chef from Chennai. She is educated up to high school level and is an enthusiastic worker and keen worker.

## SANGAM WOMEN IN BUSINESS



**Mrs. Salini Naidu**

I joined the TISI Sangam College canteen as an assistant and later with my good work ethics and better performance and dedication towards work, I was appointed as the canteen supervisor but before that I was actively part of the Maathar sangam for 9 years.

Recently (August 2019) I started with my own business running and managing the entire operations of the sole trading business. Help and support provided by the TISI Sangam, members and staff. They assisted with the initial setup of my business, helping me with the financial constraints and also supporting me with decision making roles.

For if it was not for Sangam giving me employment, I would have not able to provide for my family, my children's education and also for my inner growth. Sangam really helps support women empowerment, so don't just at home there is a whole new world of opportunities so let's put our foot down and become someone in life with Sangam.



**Mrs. Visha Dass**

I started work with the TISI Sangam canteen way back in 2008 as a canteen assistant and was later promoted to the supervisor position. I was involved with the Maathar Sangam activities for the past 12 years.

Recently (August 2019) I started with my own business running the canteen as a sole proprietor with the help and support provided by the TISI Sangam, members and staff. They assisted with the initial setup of my business, helping me with the financial administration and also supporting me with decision making roles.

education and medical bills. Having the trust Sangam has in me, I will try my best to make sure that my business performances better and for the Maathar Sangam ladies who are sitting home idle, please do come forward as well ladies are the can move Sangam forward.



Today I where I stand is all of Sangam as they been us me during my hard times supporting me with my kids'

## OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO SANGAM



**Mrs. Irene Sami – TIM  
Appointed President**

I have been with Sangam for the past 27 years holding various positions as a Pre-School Teacher, Librarian, Office Assistant and currently in the position of Administrative

Clerk of the Ba Sangam College. I am an actively involved community social worker.

My roles with Maathar Sangam started way back in when I served the Ba Maathar Sangam as a Treasurer and President and later went on to be appointed the VP of the National Maathar Sangam and since March 2019 has been serving as the Acting National President of the Maathar Sangam, Fiji.

In serving Sangam, my family life improved a lot with better education, traditional and cultural interactions through programmes.



One thing I have learnt while working for Sangam is to do your very best, honestly and dedicatedly without expectations as you will rip the fruits later on in life.

Being the newly appointed Maathar Sangam President, the role is really challenging, lots of

interactions with Sangam and Non- Sangam members with a wide range of knowledge and expertise from all sorts of work life. With the bestowed trust and faith, the TISI Sangam executives have towards me, I will uphold their commitment and make sure to serve the community with all my heart and try to move Maathar Sangam to the next level.

### **OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO SANGAM**



**Ms. Saras Gounder**

Originally from Malolo, Nadi joined the Nadi SKM College on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2005. Later I moved to Nawai Secondary school and re-joined the SSKMC, Nadi in January, 2010. Worked as Office

Administrative Officer over the past 13 years with the institution.

During my stay at the College, I have experienced a myriad of changes, both in physical development of

the college, as well as the increase in quality and quantity in the academic performance of students. Today's education has gone through a huge transformation. Traditional classroom had been replaced by e-learning, student centered classes. Even education resources like text books, external papers files and reports are now easily accessible to students at no cost.

I have lived and worked through these changes over 13 years and have readily accepted, accommodated and adjusted to the changes. Now, when look back, I feel proud that I have successfully embraced the challenges.

### **NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD & COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT MEETINGS**

Two National Executive Board and Council of Management meetings were convened during June and September. The June Meeting was hosted by the Raviravi Sangam on the 9<sup>th</sup> and the September meeting was convened in Labasa on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. The NEB & the COM meeting in Labasa was held after some 20 years. A number of Sangam Board meetings for the various boards were also held during the months of July, August and September.

The Secretary General has made several visits to the districts to address and brief members on the activities of Sangam as well as listen to the issues faced by the districts. Visits have been made to Rakiraki, Ba, Lautoka, Nadi, Nadroga, Suva, Nasinu & Labasa.

A debrief was convened this year after the Convention in Lautoka with the TIV & the Lautoka district to address some of the issues faced during the convention and look at ways to improve upon them to ensure a better and problem free future conventions. The 2020 Convention is to be hosted by the Nasinu TISI Sangam from the 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.



**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD DELIBERATING @ THE COM MEETING**



**COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT MEETING IN PROGRESS AT RAVIRAVI**





**DISTRICT VISITS AND BRIEFING BY SECRETARY GENERAL**



**TISI SANGAM FIJI COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT MEETING  
IN LABASA: 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2019**

### **1. SANGAM DEVASTHANAM BOARD NEWS**



The Devasthanam Board Chairman Mr. Gandhi Mestry together with his Board has been attending all the Sangam Temple functions and assisting the Temples in the organization of their Annual Pooja's as well as in the repair and maintenance work of the Sangam Temples. This month saw the completion of the reconstruction works at the Uciwai temple under the guidance of the General Manager of TISI Sangam Mr. Karna Waddi Raju.

The painting and upgrading works for the Boundary fencing at the Nadi Temple is almost completed while the major project work on the construction of the Sangam Cultural Complex is progressing. More meetings have been held with the Tagitagi, Vunisamaloa and Vuniyasi Sangam Temples to assist them with maintenance and upgrading works with the assistance from the Head Office and the respective TISI Sangam Districts.

**SHRI GANESH CHATHURTHI OBSERVED FROM 29<sup>TH</sup>  
AUG. TO 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**THE SANGAM CULTURAL COMPLEX UNDER CONSTRUCTION**







**UCIWAI SANGAM TEMPLE RENOVATION WORKS**



**SANGAM CULTURAL COMPLEX PROJECT COMMITTEE MEETING IN PROGRESS**



**OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SARAVANA BHAVAN RESTAURANT AT THE SRI SIVA SUBRAMANIAM SWAMI TEMPLE COMPLEX**

**SARAVANA BHAVAN**  
VEGETARIAN RESTAURANT

**BUFFET**  
**UNLIMITED THALI**  
**Super Wednesday**  
from 11am - 3pm

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**THE ORIGINAL**  
Taste of the South Indian cuisine

**OUR SARAVANA  
BHAVAN  
VEGETARIAN  
RESTAURANT  
SUPER  
WEDNESDAY  
SPECIAL**



**TEMPLE BOARD RECEIVING THE CHIEF GUEST FOR THE OPENING OF THE SARAVANA BHAVAN RESTAURANT**



**CHIEF GUEST SMT. PADAMAJA- THE HIGH COMMISSIONER OF INDIA TO FIJI OFFICIALLY OPENING THE RESTAURANT AT THE NADI TEMPLE**





**GUESTS SERVED LUNCH @ THE OPENING OF THE SARAVANA BHAVAN RESTAURANT**



**NEW TOUR GUIDE WITH TOURISTS AT THE NADI TEMPLE**

## **2. SANGAM EDUCATION NEWS**

We are yet again at that time of the year when our students appear for their National Examinations. All our Primary and High schools are in the midst of ensuring that students are adequately prepared for these important examinations.

The schedule for all the external examinations are as follows:

	<b>EXAMINATION</b>	<b>DATES</b>
1	YEAR 6	26 <sup>TH</sup> - 27 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER
2	YEAR 8	23 <sup>RD</sup> - 25 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER
3	YEAR 9	4 <sup>TH</sup> - 8 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER
4	YEAR 10	21 <sup>ST</sup> - 25 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER
5	YEAR 11	22 <sup>ND</sup> - 1 <sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER
6	YEAR 12	29 <sup>TH</sup> OCT. - 8 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER
7	YEAR 13	14 <sup>TH</sup> - 24 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

The Chairman of the Sangam Education Board Dr. Neelesh Gounder and Ambassador Amraiya Naidu have visited all our High schools to talk to the staff and students to inspire them for better academic performance and successful future careers. The Head office team also have been visiting schools for the Mid-Term school audits and addressing school related issues.

This year again we have awarded our schools with the Sadhu Kuppaswamy National Awards and the recipients of the awards were as follows:

YEAR 6	NADRALA SANGAM SCHOOL NANUKU SANGAM SCHOOL NALOVO SANGAM SCHOOL	<b>100%</b>
YEAR 8	UCIWAI SANGAM SCHOOL NALOVO SANGAM SCHOOL DREKETI SANGAM SCHOOL NANUKU SANGAM SCHOOL	<b>100%</b>
YEAR 10	SUVA SANGAM COLLEGE LABASA SKM COLLEGE	<b>86%</b> <b>86%</b>
YEAR 12	LABASA SANGAM COLLEGE	<b>86%</b>
YEAR 13	BA SANGAM COLLEGE	<b>95.5%</b>

### **OVERALL HIGHEST MARK FOR 2018**

YEAR 6	SABETO SANGAM SCHOOL	387 / 400	ROCHELLE SHANVI KUMAR
YEAR 8	NADI SANGAM SCHOOL	576 / 600	KRISHA KHATRI
YEAR 10	NADI SKM COLLEGE	583 / 600	RIA DIPASHNA DEVI
YEAR 12	PENANG SANGAM HIGH	385 / 400	CHELSEA TAMAANA ROMAVICK
YEAR 13	PENANG SANGAM HIGH	388 / 400	DIPSHA LAL

## 100% RESULTS ACHIEVED FOR YEAR 8 – 2018

- UCIWAI SANGAM SCHOOL
- NALOVO SANGAM SCHOOL
- DREKETI SANGAM SCHOOL
- NANUKU SANGAM SCHOOL

## SADHU KUPPUSWAMU NATIONAL DUX – 2018

### PRIMARY – NANUKU SANGAM & NALOVO SANGAM SCHOOLS

The Sangam Schools Common Trial Examinations for all our sangam schools for year 6,7,8,9 & 11 has been already conducted, together with the common assessment for the Tamil classes for the first time this year. The Head office with the assistance from the Tamil Language Development Officer, Aishwarya Anand has prepared a common curriculum for Years 1 to 8 to be rolled out for all out schools from 2020.

## ANOTHER MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENT FOR PENANG SANGAM HIGH SCHOOL



**MAANVIK YASH GOUNDER**

### Local Activist Accepted to Attend the UN Youth Climate Summit in New York

Penang Sangam High School Year 12 student, Maanvik Yash Gounder was recently accepted to attend the first ever UN Youth Climate Summit in New York City on Saturday, September 21. The historic event will be a platform for young leaders who are driving climate action to showcase their solutions at the United Nations, and to meaningfully engage with

decision-makers on the defining issue of our time. It will be the largest gathering of young climate leaders at the UN in history.

Over 7,000 young people between the ages of 18 to 29 applied to attend the Youth Climate Summit. Maanvik was one of 500 hundred young people from around the world selected to attend the Summit after demonstrating their commitment to addressing the climate crisis and displaying leadership in advancing solutions.

The Youth Climate Summit will feature a full-day of programming that brings together young activists, innovators, entrepreneurs, and change-makers who are committed to combating climate change at the pace and scale needed to meet the challenge. It will be action oriented, intergenerational, and inclusive, with equal representation of young leaders from all walks of life.



**PENANG SANGAM HIGH SCHOOL WINNER  
OF THE 2018 KAILA COMPETITION**



**COMMISSIONING OF TC WINSTON REHABILITATED  
PENANG SANGAM SCHOOLS**



## SANGAM INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CLASS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Class 2019 (Year 1)	17	94	111
Class 2018 (Year 2)	10	84	94
Class 2017 (Year 3)	17	95	112
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>317</b>
Bridging (Labasa)	6	38	44
Bridging (Taveuni)	1	9	10
Bridging (Lautoka)	-	16	16
Bridging (Suva)	4	65	69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>139</b>
Postgraduate Midwifery	3	17	20
Postgraduate Nurse Practitioner	8	3	11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>COLLEGE GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>487</b>

### TOTAL NUMBER OF GRADUATES FROM THE SCN

- A. UNDERGRADUATES (SINCE 2015 TO DEC 2018) = 364 (BACHELOR OF NURSING SCIENCE)
- B. BRIDGING (SINCE 2017 TO MAY 2019) NUMBER OF GRADUATIONS: 6
- TOTAL NUMBER OF GRADUATES = 450**
- C. DIPLOMA GRADUATES (SINCE 2008 – 2014) = 445
- D. MIDWIFERY GRADUATION (25/05/2019) - 73
- E. NURSE PRACTITIONER - 8
- F. ENROLLED NURSING - 23
- G. AGED CARE - 21

### SANGAM INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOARD MEETING IN PROGRESS



**GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR THE SANGAM COLLEGE OF NURSING BRIDGING STUDENTS**

## PROGRAMS OFFERED

1. BNSC
2. BACHELOR BRIDGING PROGRAM
3. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA OF MIDWIFERY
4. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA OF NURSE PRACTITIONER

### 106 Sangam College of Nursing students graduate today

By Priteshni Nand

Thursday 26/09/2019

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Graduates from Sangam College of Nursing

106 students graduated from Sangam College of Nursing at Suva Sangam Hall in Suva today.

While speaking at the graduation, Academic and Staff Board Chairman Amraiya Naidu says the college has today graduated 445 nurses with a diploma, 28 enrolled nurses, 75 midwives, 8 nurse practitioners, and 21 age caregivers.

Naidu says it is a matter of great pride and achievement for a young institution to have made a sizeable contribution by training out 922 nurses with degree qualifications to serve in the country since 2015.

Laisa Baleisaqani Muarewa Tora who has been a midwife for 4 years at the Lautoka Hospital was awarded the Overall Academic Excellence award in Bachelor of Nursing Science in the post-registration program.

Tora says it was challenging for her to undertake the program without the availability of her husband.

**The Sangam College of Nursing had its latest graduation for the Bachelor of Nursing Science through the Bridging Program on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, 2019 in Suva, where 106 registered nurses graduated with a Degree.**

The application for the Bachelor of Nursing Science program for 2020 is now open and applications will close on the 15<sup>th</sup> of November, 2019. Application Form can be obtained by E-mail – [sitnursing@connect.com.fj](mailto:sitnursing@connect.com.fj) **OR** visit the College website: [www.sangamnursing.com.fj](http://www.sangamnursing.com.fj), for further enquiries you can call by phone: 8818 691 or 8818 692.



## Graduation on the 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2019



### 4. LAND & ESTATES NEWS

A Number of meetings have been convened by the Land & Estates Board and several important decisions have been reached regarding the various properties that TISI Sangam has acquired recently. These include the development of the Siberia, Labasa, Sangam College of Nursing property, the Nadawa Freehold land, the Navakai FSC land, the Madhuvani Sangam Estate, the Press property, Lovu Sangam Village Land & the Sangam Retirement Village Project.

The board is closely working with the districts to strengthen every district in terms of upgrading their Temples, Schools and properties and at the same time looking at ways to get better returns from our entities.



**THE TISI SANGAM NATIONAL EXECUTIVES PAYING OFF NASINU LAND PURCHASE FOR THE OWNERSHIP OF 10 ACRE FREEHOLD LAND AT NADAWA NASINU**



**LAND & ESTATES BOARD MEETING IN PROGRESS**



**NEW FSC NAVAKAI, NADI PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TISI SANGAM, FIJI**



## 5. SANGAM FIJI FOUNDATION NEWS

The Sangam Fiji Foundation has been working very closely with the NEB & COM as well as other stakeholders in trying to get more funds for the Foundation. A number of fundraising has been done by the Foundation. The Sangam Fiji Foundation has been managing Sangam Welfare Funds to assist the TISI Sangam member's families who pass away and meet the criteria for getting the funds. The Foundation is also spearheading the Sangam retirement Village project, planned to be set up at Nawai in Nadi.

The Sangam Fiji Foundation also oversees and funds the Annual Sadhu Kuppuswamy Day and as well as the Sadhu Kuppuswamy Memorial Lectures.

This year the Sadhu Kuppuswamy Day was observed at the school and district level by all our schools and District branches. The Sadhu Kuppuswamy Memorial Lectures this year for the first time was presented in the North, in Labasa. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Ratu Wiliame Katonivere, while the Keynote speaker was Dr. Neelesh Gounder, Senior Lecturer in Economics at the University of the South Pacific and Ambassador Amraiya Naidu, the Chairman of the Academic Board for the Sangam Institute of Technology.

### A TRIBUTE TO THE FATHER OF SANGAM



“SEVAK RATNAM” SADHU  
KUPPUSWAMY

1890- BORN IN MADRAS

1912- ARRIVED IN FIJI BY SUTLEJ  
III AND SERVED HIS GIRMIT AT  
YALANDRO TAVUA

1921- TAUGHT LANGUAGE AT  
MULLAU SCHOOL AT THE K.S.  
RAMAN ESTATE  
24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 1926- ELECTED FIRST  
PRESIDENT OF TISI SANGAM AT  
NADI

1927- FIRST SANGAM SCHOOL  
OPENED AT THE NADI TEMPLE

1941- HONORED WITH THE TITLE  
“SEVAK RATNAM”  
2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST, 1956-PASSED AWAY  
AT NADI. SPECIAL SHRINE WITH  
SADHU JIS ASHES AT THE NADI  
TEMPLE

1977- RESOLUTION PASSED BY  
TISI SANGAM TO OBSERVE SADHU  
KUPPUSWAMY DAY NATIONALLY  
ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> OF AUGUST.



**SWAMI AVINASHANANDA, A RAMAKRISHNA MISSION MONK, CAME TO FIJI IN 1937 AT THE INVITATION OF SADHU KUPPUSWAMI TO ASSIST IN THE WORK OF SANGAM WHICH WAS BY THEN A GROWING ORGANISATION. Then India Sanmargya Ikyo Sangam was formed at a General Meeting of the Girmityas from South India in Nadi on May 26<sup>th</sup> 1926.**

The idea of the Sangam Flag was conceived by Swami Avinashananda and the final outcome was the result of blending of various suggestions since the formation of TISI Sangam. “Then India Sanmargya Ikyo Sangam” translated simply means “unity through the pathway of honesty”. The Sangam flag denotes the unity in diversity and conveys a universal message of cooperation and coexistence.

THE "OM" (Tamil symbol/Sanskrit symbol) like Amen (THE "CROSS") and AMEEN (THE "CRESCENT") means “acceptance”/so be it”-acceptance at all levels.

The ochre/saffron color stands for the positive and righteous discrimination, renunciation, sacrifice and selfless service to all without distinction.

The Sangam Flag was first raised after the formal registration of TISI Sangam.

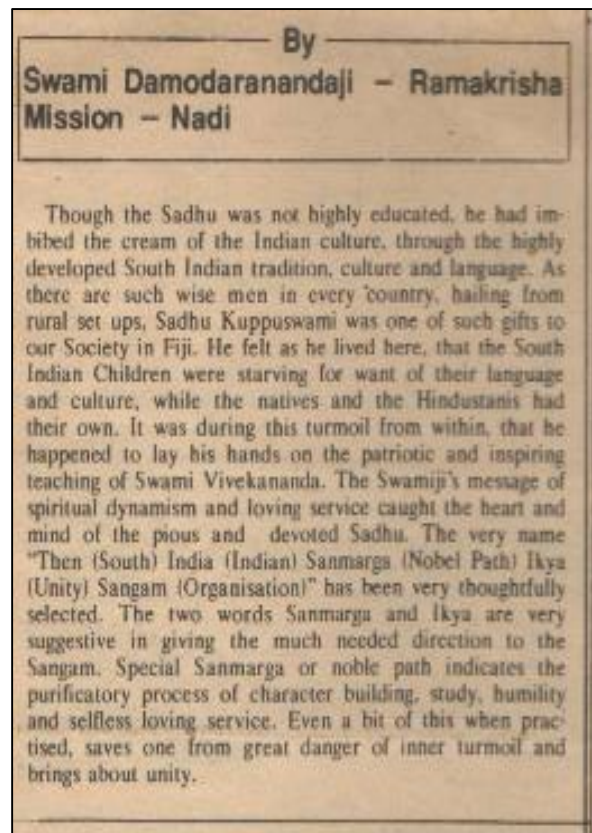
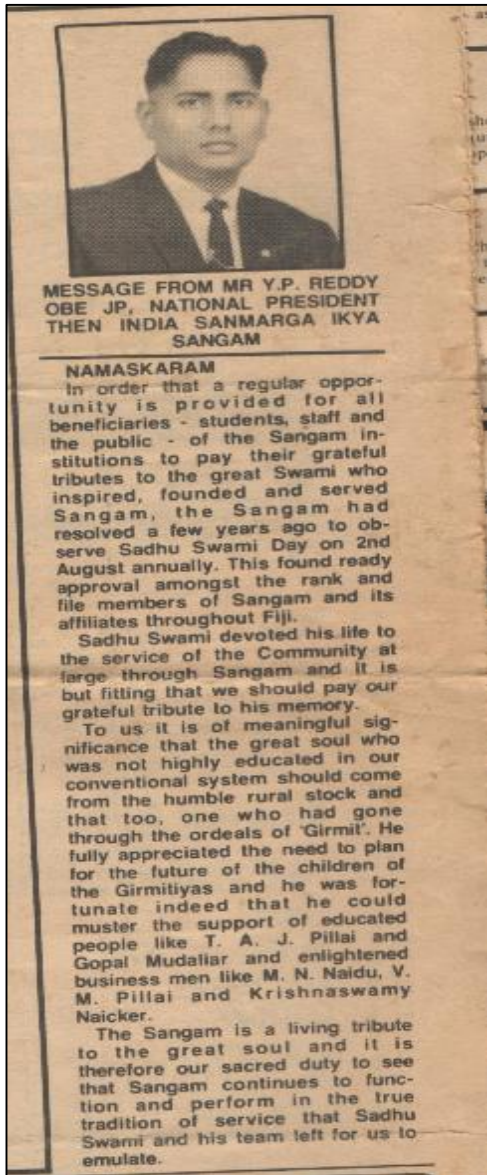
TISI Sangam was formally registered with a constitution on 06<sup>th</sup> January 1938 under the Companies Ordinance of 1913 without the addition of the word “Limited”.

**SANGAM FLAG WAS UNFURLED and the Mahatma GANDHI "RAAM DHUN" was sung.**

**TRANSLATED IT MEANT "OH GOD, LORD RAAM, YOU ARE ISHWARA, SIVA, ALLAH."YOUR ABODE IS TEMPLE, THE MANDIR, THE MASJID, THE CHURCH ETC. IT WENT ON TO SAY,"GRANT US GOOD SENSE AND A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TO UNDERSTAND THIS UNITY IN DIVERSITY**

The members Sangam continued to foster goodwill among all people and at the Annual General Meeting of TISI Sangam held on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April 1939 it was resolved that Sangam was there to serve everyone.

TISI Sangam continues to strive to consolidate in keeping with the foundation principles of Unity through the Pathway of Honesty and Service to all.



**SADHU KUPPUSWAMY DAY –  
SABETO SANGAM**



**(L-R) CHIEF GUEST 1<sup>ST</sup> NASINU SANGAM HEAD TEACHER &  
MANAGER MR. KISUN KRISHNA SAMI - SADHU KUPPUSWAMY  
DAY –NASINU SANGAM SCHOOL WITH MRS. SARITA NAICKER –  
PRESIDENT NASINU MAATHAR SANGAM, MR. SADASIVAN  
NAICKER – PRESIDENT TISI SANGAM FIJI & MASTER KUMAR**





**CHIEF GUEST FOR THE SADHU KUPPUSWAMY MEMORIAL LECTURE SERIES- RATU WILIAME KATONIVERE**



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER DR. NEELESH GOUNDER- SENIOR LECTURER IN ECONOMICS AT THE USP, LAUCALA CAMPUS**



**ELDERS OF SANGAM IN LABASA HONORED FOR THEIR SERVICE**



**OTHER SNAPS OF THE SADHU LECTURE DAY CELEBRATIONS & AWARD FUNCTION**



**MATHRA SANGAM MEMBERS ATTENDING WORKSHOP ON NCD'S IN LAUTOKA**



**DRUG FREE FAMILY DAY CELEBRATED BY TISI SANGAM RAKIRAKI**





**THE 4 QUEEN CONTESTANTS AT THE RAKIRAKI TISI SANGAM CARNIVAL**



**RAKIRAKI TISI SANGAM DONATING SCHOOL GATE TO RAKIRAKI PUBLIC SCHOOL**



**CROWING OF THE QUEEN FOR THE TISI SANGAM CARNIVAL 2019**



**LAUTOKA DISTRICT EDUCATION BOARD**



**NORTHERN TIV SANGAM SPORTS HOSTED BY LABASA TISI SANGAM FROM 6<sup>TH</sup> TO 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT THE SANGAM SKM COLLEGE GROUNDS, NAMARA, LABASA**



**THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF TISI SANGAM OFFICIATING THE OPENING OF TIV GAMES IN LABASA**

**6. SANGAM CULTURAL BOARD NEWS**

The Sangam Cultural Board has met for a number of times this year and has also held workshops for the TISI Sangam Pujari's. The Board is working closely with the TISI Sangam National Executive Board for the Registration and proper identities for the TISI Sangam sanctioned Pujari's.

The Board is also working on preparing and formalizing a guide for the Pujaris that will contain the proper ways of performing the South Indian Rituals such as marriage and Death Ceremonies.



**7. TIV AND TIM SANGAM NEWS**

The Maathar Sangam is actively involved in a number of projects, participating in workshops run by NGO's as well as the Government agencies. The TIM National executives have also held several meetings for their Branches to empower and strengthen the women's wing of the TISI Sangam.

The TIV national Council of management meeting is scheduled for the Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> of September, in Tavua.

**OBITUARY**



**FORMER TREASURER OF TISI SANGAM, FIJI LATE PARASRAM GOUNDER LAID TO REST**



**SECRETARY GENERAL'S CONDOLENCE MESSAGE ON BEHALF OF TISI SANGAM TO THE FAMILY OF LATE DR. AVINASH NAIDU**

**THEN INDIA SANMARGA IKYA SANGAM**

**NAMASKARAM**

**LAUTOKA DISTRICT WELCOMES YOU TO THE ANNUAL SPORTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS FROM THE 9th to 11th NOVEMBER AT LAUTOKA CENTRAL SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Theme: "Preserving Culture & Values in Strengthening Education"

**Food, Snacks & Beverages will Be on Sale.**

Please Note the cultural event will be at the Rifle Range Mariamman Temple, Lautoka. on the 9th From 7pm following with Dinner for each and everyone. Please come with your family and friends.

**Contact: Bhaskaran Mudliar 9998558**

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**SRI SIVA SUBRAMANIYA SWAMI KOVIL**

*together with the Devasthanam Board members*

*Wishing family and friends a happy Deepavali and may the coming year bring you happiness, prosperity and joy*

**HAPPY Diwali**