

# Didi Dr Nirmala Kajaria's Visit to Sri Lanka - 11<sup>th</sup> April - 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018



It was our great fortune to begin 2018 Sinhala – Tamil New Year with our divine Didi Dr Nirmala Kajariaji in Sri Lanka. Sister Savita from Madhuban IT Dept., a silent angel accompanied Didi during her tour to Colombo, Jaffna, Batticaloa and Kandy. April 11<sup>th</sup> night Didi arrived **Dehiwala National Coordinating Center** and 12<sup>th</sup> April Satguruvar morning offered special Bhog for the New Year. Colombo family had the fortune of beginning the Traditional New Year with inspirational thoughts after a half day retreat with Didi ji in Dehiwala, the Main Centre. About 230 BKs from Colombo zone took benefit. All received special New Year toli, blessings and spiritual gifts.

Later in the evening, Didi ji along with Br. Ganesh, the National Coordinator and Sr. Savita from IT dept. Shantivan and senior members of the Kotahena BK family laid the foundation stone for new Baba's Room and Store at Kotahena Centre. It was followed by BK class where 130 BKs from Kotahena and nearby Centers took benefit.



A special meeting was arranged with some important contact souls – Officers in charge of Kotahena Police Stations, Mrs. Modi – One who offered Hall to start service in 90s at Kotahena, Mr. A. Manoganesan, Minister of National Co-existence Dialogue and official languages had the privilege of meeting Didi.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> April, Didi ji travelled to **Nothern Province-Jaffna**. BKs from Jaffna, Vavuniya, Mullaithivu, Killinochi and Mannar had the opportunity to be in the company of Didi ji on the auspicious day of New Year. Baba's Sukdham Hall in Jaffna was decorated in traditional way with young coconut leaves, young Palmyrah tree etc.



Inspite of lokik New Year , more than 250 BKs attended the 2 days retreat and received “Kai Visesham”- an auspicious transaction with the senior member of the family on betel leaf with turmeric and paddy which is the highlight of New Year traditions, from Didi.

On 14<sup>th</sup> April evening Didi reached **Eastern Zone - Batticaloa Center**. Around 600 BKs including Monaragala district took benefit from New Year retreat. 15<sup>th</sup> April evening New Year cultural evening was arranged for some general public contact souls and BKs’ friends and relatives. About 1200 elders and with many young children from the public benefitted. A special yoga session with Didi ji was conducted with 9 Devis and 9 angels on stage joined Didi in powerful meditative stage /Sakash for the world.

It was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday World Meditation Day.





Mr. T. Saravanabavan - Mayor of the Batticaloa Municipal Council, Mr. M. Uthayakumar – Batticaloa District Secretary, Government Higher Officers, Ministry Secretary, Head of the Chamber of Commerce, leading Businessmen, retired Zonal Directors, Doctors, Engineers and some other VIPs also have participated in this program. Didi ji and Br. Ganesh, had a special meeting with VIPs. Daily News reporter and DAN TV interviewed Didi Dr. Nirmala. Some other media

people also participated.

Center Support team of 80 BKs had a half a day retreat on the 16<sup>th</sup> April. Didi ji and sister Savitha took classes on Giving and Receiving Spiritual sustenance.



Eravur Centre House owner voluntarily built a hall for Baba in 20 days. Didi ji inaugurated the new hall. 70 BKs participated in this event.





An Evening program at Baba's Spiritual Art Gallery in Pasikudah was arranged for sinhala speaking officers on the topic "Maintaining the balance between working life and family life". 55 souls from Kandakadu Rehabilitation Centre, Senapura Vocational Training Centre, Kalkudha Police Station & other offices participated. The senior training officer commented and thanked the Brahma Kumaris for their excellent assistance in the Rehabilitation process.

It was followed by a class for 30 BK couples under 50 years of age meeting Didi.



Didiji arrived The **Central Province - Kandy** on the April 17<sup>th</sup>. An IP/VIP programme was held titled "**Spiritual Leadership**". His Excellency, the Assistant High Commissioner for India, Dharendra Singh, His worship the Mayor of Kandy Hon. Kesara Senanayake, Member Central Provincial Council Hon. Chithra Manthilaka, Mayor's spouse Mrs. Niranjali Senanayake, Senior Manager, Seylan Bank PLC Mr. Ganganath Indrapala also benefitted from the programme.

Didiji outlined the essential qualities of a good leader and the need for spirituality to be a happy and successful leader. She explained about the leadership by example of the Founder of Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, Brahma Baba where spirituality is used as core value of lifestyle, and is the main reason for its growth and expansion worldwide. 131 participants took benefitted.



205 BKs including 25 children took benefit from One day BK retreat. Students from Kandy, Galaha, Gampola, Balagolla, Matale, Ragala, Welimada, Nuwara Eliya, Dunsine, Maskeliya and Sri Padha benefitted. Br. Ganesh gave class on Greatness of confluence age and difference between knowledge &



devotion. Savitha Bhen gave class on “Newness in personal effort”. Didi ji gave class on “Basic Brahmin principles & how to be free from obstacles”



Sr. Savitha conducted Youth programme where she shared very highly inspirational new knowledge on the theme “**Dream-Believe-Achieve**”.

40 BK & Non BK young professionals & students benefited. Didi ji gave words of blessings at the end of the session.



Finally Didi reached **Dehiwala Main Center** on 19<sup>th</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> April and had a 2 day National Centerwasis, Geetapathsala instruments retreat. 70 teachers benefitted. All were welcomed with a crown and tilak. Didi enlightened Baba’s right hands on Responsibility to the self, God , family and world. Also had workshops and group discussions on this theme.

During these 2 days Didi ji had many personal meetings with BKs and also amrit vela and morning class sustenance classes. About 120 Colombo BKs took benefit.



It was followed by Sunday half a day retreat with Colombo BK family and ended with a short farewell programme. Br. Seelan, the centre coordinator of Dehiwela centre gave special vote of thanks to Didi ji and Savitha bhen, followed by Br. Ganesh, the National Coordinator gave words of appreciation for Didi ji and Savitha's visit to Sri Lanka.



In the evening of 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Didi ji spent the evening at **Negambo** Centre for a public programme on the topic "Good decision making power for happy life" around 120 souls from Avisawella, Chilaw and Puttalam benefitted. On 23<sup>rd</sup> early morning Didi ji and Savitha bhen left to Bombay.