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#### **ETHIOPIA:**

➤ I am a French Sahaja yogi currently working in Ethiopia. As you may know we had a public program(p.p) last year in February with the help of Mirriam. These programme were not very successful in the sense that only around 20/30 people received their realization till June and only few are still interested. Ethiopia is a hard-core orthodox Christian country that certainly explains a lot. But we are still very much motivated and are starting

again the PP in a other hall on Saturday mornings 11am. I will let you know soon what is the response. I would like to ask you two things. I am searching for material for new comers> I have that American leaflet extremely good for introduction SY but I was wandering what you give the people who come after one month or two (something a bit details on the chakras...). Second, I am searching for Shri Mataji PP tapes in English (those I have are translated in French). You might be using a couple of those PP tapes in your own programmes. Is there a way you could send me some tapes (I can make a payment on your bank account) otherwise could tell me the location of those PP with shri mataji. If you know somebody more likely to help me on these please give me his her address. Thanks in advance

#### Jai Shri Mataji Antonin

#### **NIGERIA:**

I went to Ibadan, i spent 5days,i didn't happen to give self realisation to many people, just 5, but i trained hardly the one who will be on charge for Ibadan, collective, she is a lady, a retired professor of Microbiology of Ibadan university.. She was a member of "HARE **KRISHNA SOCIETY" a very** devoted woman, she promised to stay for 2 weeks with me in Benin republic. I gave selfrealisation to the president of Raja yoga of Ibadan, she is also a woman. I have also to go soon to Ibadan to give self-realisation to lot of Sufis, a sect of Muslim religion, they are open minded people and mother appreciated them know a little about this association and i will use

their knowledge to convince them" and also really establish sahaj collective there,..... there is hope. The other

**Patient (Benin)** 

#### **GAMBIA, WEST AFRICA:**

Banjul is the capital of The Gambia, a country in the middle of Senegal in West Africa. Several persons got realisation about 21 altogether. I want to share with you some of the experiences they felt. The country is 90% Muslim and so realisation experience was based on the Ruhr.

- 1. A young man at the beach I feel the peace and connection, I have never felt like this before, this is the real thing. I feel light, my head is so light.
- 2. Young man at the hotel: I feel as if there is a balloon between the top of my head and

my hand, some sort of magnetic force.

- 3. Tailor My feet are frozen and I feel movement on my spine
- 4. Young man at beach My back is bent and I feel something stuck in the middle. I can now sit straight and I feel I am floating (after working on him).
- 5. Cleaner supervisor at the hotel I have been seeing the picture and I knew that the Lady was special.
- 6. Room mate There must be a connection between the Lady and Mother Mary

These are some of the recollections of conversations after people got realisation, the hotel left the poster of Shri Mataji for over two weeks on the elevators and main areas!

Jai Shri Mataji, Mirriam Oweke

#### **MAURITIUS ISLAND:**

Dear brothers and sisters, **JAY SHRI MATAJI:** This happened last year just after birthday puja. We were 2 yogis from Reunion island to attend Mother's birthday puja and as usual went through Mauritius, our sister island, which is our true opening on the world, to India. For those who would not know, Mauritius is a small but beautiful island situated 500 miles east of Madagascar, which is itself south east off the Mozambique coast (Africa). It is a courageous independent country, more populated (1,3 million people) than the nearby Reunion Island, which is a French dependence in the Indian Ocean. For long the yogis in Reunion were waiting for a good opportunity to help SY settle in Mauritius; each time we went there a few people from Mauritius would get their Realization "aphazard" but we never had any durable contact and could not organize any programmes nor followups...What we needed was a real contact there...and

actually, just before going to birthday puja, to our great joy, a message came out of the blue from a young man from Mauritius, Aman Deelchand, saying he wanted to know more about Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi and if we could please invite her to Mauritius...

That's what we surrendered to Mother in our prayers at the puja and on our way back we decided to stay a few days in Mauritius just to meet this boy, and see... Feeling Mother's blessings with us, this yogini and i called Aman straight away as we arrived at the airport, and he generously invited us to stay a few days at his home. It was raining and almost dark when we reached his place and Nathalie immediately recognized whom Aman was, although we had never seen each other. We greeted each other wholeheartedly the way sahaja yogis do, (as if he was already one of us!) and as he presented us 2 ladies, his "sisters" he said, we spontaneously said "please receive the blessings of Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi!'' As we got into his living room, Aman

told us "i must be honest with you, i am -and we all are here - devotees of "AMA" - the so called Amritananda mayi MARDINI, a very popular false guru in Indian Ocean (she comes up to Kenya!) who has lots of followers especially in Mauritius.

-No problem, we replied, as we took a beautiful picture of Mother, "just watch Shri Mataji and ask Her to give you Self-Realization - it was as short and simple as that -no arguing, nothing! And Aman and the 2 ladies gazed at Mother's picture; we all fell in meditation; after a short while one of the ladies started shaking and shouting strange noises, and we could feel Aman was deeply "there", so as the other lady. It was very deep. Then it was peace in the room, no more little shouting- and Aman told us he could feel a very pleasant sweet-sugary sensation on the tip of his tongue-like if some sweet was suddenly there! They all had bright shining eyes, and everybody felt very happy. They were so surprised as they told us after that their guru had told them that she could give them Realization but it was useless as they would immediately fall down again... As we were still explaining about the necessity to meditate daily with Sri Mataji, Aman was busy calling some friends of his in the other room. "Come come there is something extraordinary going on here!" Very soon after 3 persons came, a couple and their 16-year-old son, and we meditated again and they got their Realization. Aman was again on his phone, and half an hour later some 4-5 people were again sitting in the room, going through the SR process. As Aman was calling some more people i told him to invite them for tomorrow at 6 pm, as it was already around midnight. 10 persons had got their realization that first evening with such enthusiasm and spontaneity -in a country where there was no Sahaja Yoga- that we were sure that this country had got some special blessings somewhere! What would come next? We would see... And we saw, actually. The following day more than 10 new people were there, together with 6-7 of the first lot -the family had excused themselves that they could not come this day. The day after a Chinese family -around 10 other persons again - came and got their Realization, For 4 consecutive days we had like public programmes in Aman's place! More than 50 people got their Realization during these 4 days, (not counting the children) and we also had shoe beating, havan and puja with 6-7 committed young yogis! These days were so intense! It really was a great experience; the Mauritians are full of love and genuine desire to know the truth...

Now, back to Reunion it was unfortunately difficult to go back and follow-up the group on a regular basis as it is necessary, -Aman himself got a little lost- bandhan please! - But we know some of these people still meditate with Mother despite the very strong false knowledge due to all these negative gurus around. We hope and pray that some experienced sahaja yogis will settle there in order to

Help establishing a strong collectivity in Mauritius island - so if you want to have fun and joy spreading Mother's love in a paradise-like environment, contact Eric Ragodoo in Mauritius Africa's little India! JAY SHRI MATAJI:

**Indian Ocean collective** 

# Public Program in LOKOSSA MONO BENIN Monday, December 12, 2004

The Sahaja yogis of BENIN

make an evening a public program with the chance to talk about sahaja yoga, what an opportunity!! We take a 45 minutes on the programme. We were surprised to see that it was being held at such a large venue packed to capacity, approximately 100 people in attendance! As is often the case at such events, things were running late and our slot was cut back to 5 minutes, not brilliant but we surrendered the situation to Shri Mataji.

In the end all got their realisation. It was the 1st opportunity that the local people of LOKOSSA had the chance to get their realisation. We thank Shri Mataji for giving us such a great opportunity to give realisation to the people in LOKOSSA MONO BENIN and we pray for many more to come. Jai Shri Mataji!!! Christian (BENIN)

#### **POEMS:**

The one true Mother known to me
Shall soon become known to thee
Her sparkling face gives
Virgin light
In such a shower you shall delight

Sit down there upon a chair open your hands, and feel the air
She who saved a soul like me
I vow to make Her known to thee

We shall find you before the last
So She can take away the past
Feel sin no more, open your wings
So now you know on Earth
God sings

All the angels sing Her praise
She is the teacher of Gods ways
She who saved a soul like me
I vow to make Her known to thee

In Her hands grows life anew
She is the dawn that brings the dew
All the shadows run and hide
As the dew spreads far and wide

On my head the dew drop rain,
And with it all the devils are slain
Someone inside me falls away
My deceiver has had his day

From the darkest hell, now come home
Never again, the depths shall you roam
From now and ever does
She call
And at Her feet, the world shall fall

#### J. Mulryan

A short write-u] on the first African Seminar in Benin 19 /10/03

Dear Brother and Sisters,

Bolo Africa Swamini Shri Adi Shakti Mata Ji Shri Nirmala Devi Ki Jai

This brother apologies for not sending the Benin seminar information to the world community in time. You might have received reports about this seminar from other dear Brother and present there. I Sister (Sebak) wish to also mention something... What ever little I can mention by mother kind grace.

Most of the speeches were in French. Although English translation was there but it may not reproduce the Complete taste of the speaker. So this report also may not be so tasteful as it would have bee nit I Could new French.

Most of the countries around Benin are French speaking like Benin, Togo, Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast, and Cameroon. English speaking is Nigeria, Ghana and Port of Cameroon. South African is also English) There were up to 600 participants Possibly out of the total participants we had the following percentage

Benin: 65% I very coast: 20% Togo: 5%, Burkina Faso: 5% Cameroon: 2% Nigeria 2%, Others 1%.

Important participants from other Countries Sister Al Ganesha was there. Rajen representing South Africa. Bernadette from France, Andre from Italy. One Yogi from prance with his American Lakshmi was There they keep on Coming to Benin regularly. Romanian Yogi married to Ivory coast Yogi was also there.

Sahaja Doctor Mrs. Apo Louise from Ivory Coast was there. Representative from Gabon was also there.

There were many great Yogis'. I cannot mention all of them in this little report. After all it was a collection of great Sebaks (servants) of mother in African, For email and address of the of countries. representatives please write to the leader of Benin rogerakigbe@Yahoo. The seminar was organized at Sakete, almost 50km from Porto-Novo, capital of Benin and National Sahaja center. Sakete is also the place for Sahaja School and hospital in Benin.

This whole place is donated to Sahaja by one Sahaja brother. He also constructed two closed halls that can be used for small puja and also sleeping, for one Lakshmi and one other for Vishnu. Another big pandal is outside. You can enjoy the pictures of this pandal Inside Toilet facility is there but water you have to fetch from a water well. Specially storage

designed rubber bucket tied with rope drop with force in to the well and then pull up and fill into your bucket. **Traditional** and natural techniques. I saw it many please but learned myself in this seminar. To take bath was inside and also outside. Outside was very interested. A big area is closed with grass carpets Then Subdevided into further compartments using again grass carpets.

Lots of sand was put on the Ground so that it look like a beach side. Palm trees around very nice and natural place Then there were few tents for night stay. The tents were under palm tree. Those who stayed in rooms you may not have enjoy all these natural things from this report.

# SEMINAR PARTICIPENT ARRIBLE

7<sup>th</sup> of August was the arrival date for all participants. Welcome team waiting outside the pandal. Sign board, welcome to Sakete. In French also. Interesting Akabo,

meaning welcome in Yoruba, Yoruba is a Country Nigeria local language. There are many Yoruba tribe here. Every body was given there accommodation places Then individual meetings between different Yogies from different country and different languages. Some known and some unknown to each other. But no problem say Jai Shri Mataji. With smile and little bowing and your hand on the heart. After that all things work out it self. Then we known each other. There were many people we knew only through email and then suddenly we come to know he is the person. Like Rajen from South African. We talked many things, shared our love and concern to each other, to Africa to Sahaja and mothers love and kind attention to all of us.

#### **SEMINAR STARTS**

8<sup>th</sup> of August: 4:00 O Clock morning,

Early morning meditation.

Early morning meditation, 3:00am we get up, get ready if possible..... get chance to

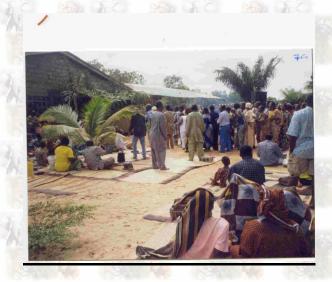
take a quick shower, the queue is long...

At 4:00am sharp, everyone in meditation hall. The Ganesha Mantras with said and the vibrations flowed. We can imagine how it seems in a closed pandal with so many Yogis and the sound of OM reverberating.

Seated in middle of Africa... Every thing is quite.... cool Vibration flowing....it's heaven.

After meditation we go back to our places. Some people sleep a little, other find unknown people and make them known people.

#### **HAVAN:**



was outside Havan the pandal. It was in a Natural environment Mother picture was under a small tree/ plant with flowers. Then a haven kund at the central and to the other side yogis, some were in the front and some under the palm trees. The haven fire was a big fire, it could be biggest in the world but outside India. With every OM Swaha, Ghee is offered to the fire with a long spoon. We sing Swa-gata-tam, Namaskar and with Shri, Ganesha Mantra the Haven starts. Then 108 and then all the names negativities were offer into the fire and then thanks to Shri Mata Ji. Then offering of the problems written on paper. Mahamaya, Mahakali bhajan. People in long queue and dancing and one by one offer the paper into the fire, do Namaste and go back to Shri Mata ji and Namaskar and go back dancing to his/her place. During this time creatively composed songs by Benin singers were on. Then at the end look into the fire and meditate in order to clean our left side.

#### Later in the day:

Representatives from different participating countries expressed their views about how to spread Sahaja Yoga. The speech was in French mostly. Only and Nigeria South Africa Spoke in English, there were individual video sets tuned Many to the translator. speak about their people individual experiences while others talked about approach collective and experiences.

#### Late in the night:

There was cultural programme. There was also Plays with fabulous acting by our brothers. One of them showed how the pastors come into long route Buses and talk about God and ask for money saying that they will give the money to God.

Ivory Coast had very special contribution in this Cultural programme. They had nice table player with equally toned singers. Ala-hu, ala-hu was

there best song. They has two very young Yogi's -one played table and the other played harmonium. Contribution on Dholki (small drum) was from Govinda from Nigeria.

#### 9th of August.

Morning meditation at 4am lead by Rajen from South Africa. We prayed mother earth to establish our mooladhara chakra

#### Dr. APO Louse Speech

In the day, we had some other speeches and then there was a very good speech by Dr. APO Louise from Ivory Coast she get training in Sahaja Yogi hospital, Washi, Bombay. Her main focus was to clean our body through meditation and other techniques. Doctor is not going to cure you. But they will tell you how to cure yourself. All treatment works with our pure attention, if attention is some where else, no techniques or mantra will work. Sahaja Doctor can treat the patient through vibration but if the patient gets ok and go out and

again enter into negativity area, then he will be sick again. So best thing is to give them solution and they will practice them self.

In the evening again there was small cultural programme

Shri Krishna Puja-puja.



In the night, we did Shri Krishna Puja Ala-hu; Ala-hu was the song every body enjoyed. At the end, the Aarti by the country representatives was done.

After we had Bhajans and dancing, just after the puja rain started heavily. After some time lights went off because of a little sparking in one of the tube lights. The rain was so heavy that water entered into the

pandal from all the sides. All people stood up and gathered near the stage Torch lights and chargeable lights came out. Then started singing and dancing and singing and dancing. All traditional songs and dances were enjoyed. When people woke up in the morning, they saw some people sleeping in tents, some in the meditation hall and some in the pandal and some on the stage itself.

#### 10th of August.

It was the departure time and people saying Jai Shri Mataji to each other.

11th Public August: programme in Porto Novo. Yogies Italy, Some from Romania, France, Ivory Coast, South Africa, Nigeria others were still present there. At the end of self-realization people were asked to tell their experiences. Many people come forward and talked what they feel.

12<sup>th</sup> of August: Public programme Cotonou.

That is for the end of this delayed report. Please forgive me for any mistakes in this report and my broken English.

Regards and love to every body.

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## Seminar invitation

With the blessings of our Holly Divine Mother, African Sahaja Yogis are very happy to invite all the Sahaja Yogis from the whole world:

2<sup>nd</sup> African
Annual
Seminar

Place: Ivory Coast (Côte

d'Ivoire)

Date: 29th July to 1st

August 2004

Details of arrivals and other information should be given later.

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