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# **SAASTHA SAMOOHAM (Regd.)**

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60th Annual Report & Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2025







Swamiye Saranam Ayyappa

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixtyth Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Samooham will be held on SUNDAY, the 27" July, 2025 at 11.00 A.M. at the Registered Office of the Samooham to transact the following businesses:

1. To confirm the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 4" August' 2024.

2. To receive, consider and pass the Audited Accounts of the Samooham for the year ended March 31, 2025 and the Report of the Managing Committee.

3. To elect five members to the Managing Committee as per Regulation 10.

4. To ratify the appointment of Sri. R. S. Ramesh who was appointed vice Sri. T. S. Arunachalam.

5. To appoint Auditors for 25-26 and fix their remuneration.

6. To transact any other business which the President or any member may wish to place before the meeting.

By the Order of the Managing Committee

Kolkata

S. Sridharan

Dated: 20th June' 2025

Hony. Secretary

- NOTE:

  1. In order to assist the Managing Committee to present the relevant information promptly, any queries or clarification on the Audited Accounts or the Report to the members may please be forwarded to the Hony, Secretary at least 7 days in advance of the meeting at Samooham mail id.

  2. Members are required to notify the Samooham any change in their address, Mail ID and whatsapp number to send information about the activities of the Samooham.

  3. Procedure for election of Members to the Managing Committee:

  (a) Vote: Every member whose subscription is not in arrears on the date of the meeting and who has been a member of the Samooham for a continuous period of not less than three months preceding the meeting shall have one vote exercisable personally at the meeting.

  (b) Nomination: The nomination proposed, seconded and signed shall be sent to the Hony, Secretary in the prescribed form (available from the Samooham office between 7.00 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.) in a sealed cover superscribed "Nomination Paper", so as to reach him at least 7 days before the date of General Meeting, i.e., by Sunday, the 20" July, 2025 before 3.30 p.m. The proposer, the seconder and the nominee shall be all members of the Samooham having voting rights.

  (c) Withdrawal: Any nominee may withdraw the nomination 4 days before the date of the election (i.e., on or before Wednesday, the 23" July, 2025 before 3.00 p.m.).

  (d) Scrutiny: Returning Officer appointed by the Managing Committee who shall not be a proposer, seconder, nominee or a member of the Managing Committee or of the Sub-committee appointed by it, shall scrutinize the nominations thus received and put up a list of valid nominations received on the Notice Board of the Samooham at least 3 days before the meeting (i.e., by Thursday, the 24" July, 2025 by 8.00 p.m.).

  (e) Election: The Returning Officer appointed for the purpose shall conduct the election by secret ballot at the General Meeting; if required. The results of such voting shall be tabulated and announced at the meet NOTE:

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# 60th Annual Report to the Members

The Managing Committee extends a cordial welcome to all the members to the sixtyth Annual General Meeting of your Samooham. It takes a great pleasure to present this Annual Report to the members highlighting the various activities of our Samooham during the year under review:

The construction activities at Samooham is almost complete barring flooring in the third floor. Devotees are enjoying the benefits of enhanced conveniences. With these benefits, Samooham has become one of the model institutions in the city of joy.

# **General Administration:-**

As per Regulation 10, the following members were elected to the Managing Committee in the last Annual General Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

- 1) Sri. V.V. Raman 2) Sri. M. Viswanathan 3) Sri. P. Rajagopal
- 4) Sri K. Raju and 5) Sri T.K. Radhakrishnan

In the ensuing Annual General Meeting, the following members will retire by rotation and are eligible for re-election:-

- 1) Sri. S. Sridharan 2) Sri. C.K. Varadarajan 3) Sri. K.N. Parasuraman
- 4) Sri K.S. Ramakrishnan and 5) Sri K.S. Raman

Sri. T.S. Arunachalam had resigned from the Management Committee and the Committee accepted his resignation in its meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The Management Committee in its meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 had appointed Sri. R. S. Ramesh in his place and he would hold his office till such time Sri. T.S. Arunachalam would have held his office had he been in the committee. This is however subject to the ratification of the members in the ensuing meeting.

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	31.3.2024	Addition	Deletion	31.3.2025
Patron	105	1	1	105
Life Member	1010	4	4	1010
Ordinary Member	1	-	-	1
Honorary Member	2	-	-	2
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- Onam Celebrations on 15"September 2024

  Maha Sankatahara Chathurthi on 22" September 2024.

  Venkatachalapathi Vilakku Puja on 5" October 2024.

  Devi Mahatmiyam parayanam and special Puja to Meru 3" October to 12" October 2024 during Navarathri.

  Sri Lalitha Laksharchana on Durgashtami day on 10" October 2024.

  Skanda Shasti on 7" November 2024 with special Homam, Abhishemkam and Puja with procession

  Mandalam celebrations during November 16" December 26", 2024.

  Surya Namaskaram on 9" December 2024 and 9" February 2025.

  Full Narayaneeyam chanting on Narayaneeya Dinam on 13" December, 2024.

  Maha Mrityunja Homam on 21" December 2024.

  Golden Jubilee Maharudram Celebrations from 22" December 24 to 25" December 2024.

  Mandala Vilakku on December 26", 2024

  Vilakkupuja by lady devotees on 27" December 2024.

  Annual Saasthapreethi on 28" December 2024 at Samooham in the morning followed by Cultural programme by Ms. Disha Prakash and Party in the evening.

  Suryanamaskaram, Laksharchana to Lord Dharma Saastha followed by grand Bhajan in the morning at Samooham and Procession of the Deities with Thalapuli in the evening on 29" December 2024.

  Makara Vilakku on 14" January 2025.

  Rathasaptami on 4" February 2025.

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  Maha Shivratri on 26" February 2025.

  Soundarya Lahari Parayanam by lady devotees on all Fridays and every day during Trikaala Puja.

Vishnu Sahasranama and Hanuman Chalisa parayanam on all Saturdays before the Bhajan.

Bhajan by Samooham Bhajan group on all Saturdays and on special occasions.

For the welfare of all the devotees, your Samooham had conducted Sahasranama Archana for 108 days to Lord Ganesha, Murugan and Dharma Saastha coninciding with the usual Laksharchana to respective gods.

As a part of the Mandalam celebrations, Mandala Vaaram with Kramaparayanam, was performed by learned scholars from South India who had chanted the Krishna Yajurveda on all the days of Mandalam. The Mandalam celebration was inaugurated by Sri. Kunj Behari Agarwal, M. D., Rupa & Co. Ltd., Kolkata.

This year being the golden jubilee year of Maharudram, Samooham organized a special function on 21" December 2024 viz. Maha Mrithunja Homam. This was well received by the Devotees. Maha Rudram was performed for four days from 22" December 2024 by Brahmasri K R Venkateswaran Deekshithar. This was inaugurated by Sri S. V. Ramani, former Dy. M.D., M. N. Dastur & Co. Ltd. Kolkata.

This year also, the Annual Saasthapreethi was celebrated within the temple premises on 28" December and 29" December 24. On 28" December 24 morning, we had Mahanyasam with Rudra Japam and Purnabhishekam, Bhajan, Deeparadhanai with Panchavadyam followed by Samaradhana.

On 28" December 24 evening, the devotional song concert was presented by Ms. Disha Prakash and group, which was very well attended. This year's devotional song programme was inaugurated by Sri P. M. Prasad, Chairman, Coal India Ltd, a Maharatna Company. This was followed by Panaga Puja.

On 29th December 24 morning, Samooham organised Suryanamaskaram, Sama Veda Parayanam, Sahasranama Archana do Lord Dharma Saastha, Bhajan, Deeparadhana and prasad distribution by way of khichidi. Smt. Jayanthi Ramakrishnan and Sri K. S. Ramakrishnan were the kartas for Suryanamaskaram. Dr. (Smt.) Girija Ramanan and Dr. V. R. Ramanan were the kartas for Suryanamaskaram.

Sahasranama Archana. In the evening, we had procession with thalapoli of around 50 lady devotees, vedic chanting, bhajan and Panchavadyam by Sri Mohanan and party. Thereafter, Saastha Preethi functions concluded with Anjaneya Utsavam.

As part of the Mandalam celebrations and also to encourage the local talents, special cultural programmes were organized at Samooham in the evening on the following days which was also webcast live.

17" November 24: Smt. Lakshmi Sridhar on Vocal, Sri Natraj Balakrishnan on Violin and Sri S. Venkataraman on Mridangam.

24" November 24: Grand Odissi Dance performed by Ms. Sahana V. Iyer.

1" December 24: "Kai Kotti Kali" by Smt. Sailaja & Group Devotional Songs by Dharma Saastha Bhajan Samity, Behala.

8" December 24: "Ganamela" devotional songs by Sri. T. S. Radhakrishnan & Party.

15" December 24: Solo Violin by Chi. Akash Ramesh and Sri. S. Venkataraman on Mridangam.

The Bhajans on 28" and 29" December 24 by Saastha Samooham Bhajan group, an important event of the Annual Celebrations is most looked forward to, was very well attended. The Committee would like to place on record its deep appreciation of efforts of the Samooham Bhajan group led by Sri. Harish Gopal Vedbhavan and FMC bhajan group supported Samooham Bhajan Group during Saastha Preethi functions. We thank the devotees for their overwhelming participation in the annual celebrations and making the celebration a grand one. The Saasthapreethi functions and all associated functions including Samaradhana on 28" December 24, Narayana Seva etc., were organized very professionaly, thanks to ABASS group and our volunteers including a host of ladies and youngsters.

We would like to put on record, our gratitude and appreciation to Sri T.M.A Narayanan, and M/s. Multi Studio, Kolkata for the efforts taken by them to telecast all the annual functions of Samooham through their Youtube/Facebook network.

# **EDUCATION - SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS:**

**MADHYAMIK TOPPERS: 2024** 

# VAP AIYAR AND ANNAPURNI AIYAR MEMORIAL AWARD (Rs. 1500/- cash)

ANDHRA ASSOCIATION SCHOOL

1. Miss. Anshika Singh, Class X, West Bengal State Board, 16, M.T. Lane, Kolkata 700 053

Vaikkam A. KRISHNA IYER & JANARDHANAN PONNAMBAL MEMORIAL AWARD: (Sponsored by Sri J. S. Narayanan & Family) (Rs. 2000/- cash) NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (CBSE)

1. Miss. Sohini Naskar, Class X, CBSE Board, D/o. Sri Bidhan Naskar , LICI Staff Qtr. M/ Block, Flat No. 13, New Alipore, Kolkata -700053

# S. R. NATARAJAN MEMORIAL AWARD : (Rs. 5000/- each by Samooham) for School Topper

# **Andhra Association School**

1. Mr. Gaurav Chakraborty, Class XII, Commerce, West Bengal State Board, 1B, Sultan Alam Road, Kolkata - 700033

# NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (CBSE BOARD)

2. Miss. Shuvangi Majumder, Class XII, Humanities Stream, D/o. Bishnu Majumder, 470, Becharam Chatterjee Road, Behala, Kolkata - 700034

# Other Socially Relevant Activities:

 i) Narayana Seva – Narayana Seva was organised on all the months in 2024-25 to Old Age homes and also on special occasions, at Samooham premises and at various locations in South Kolkata.

# ii) Provided medical assistance to needy families

We appeal to one and all to participate and extend support to all these socially very relevant initiatives being undertaken by your Samooham.

We would also like to acknowledge the excellent support extended by Ved bhavan Bhajan group, FMC Bhajan Mandali. ABASS and all the volunteers of Samooham during all the functions of the Samooham.

# **ACCOUNTS**

The Audited Accounts for the year 2024-25 are already with you. The members of Souvenir Committee and collection groups had put in their mite and the fiscal picture is the reflection of such sustained commitments of our members.

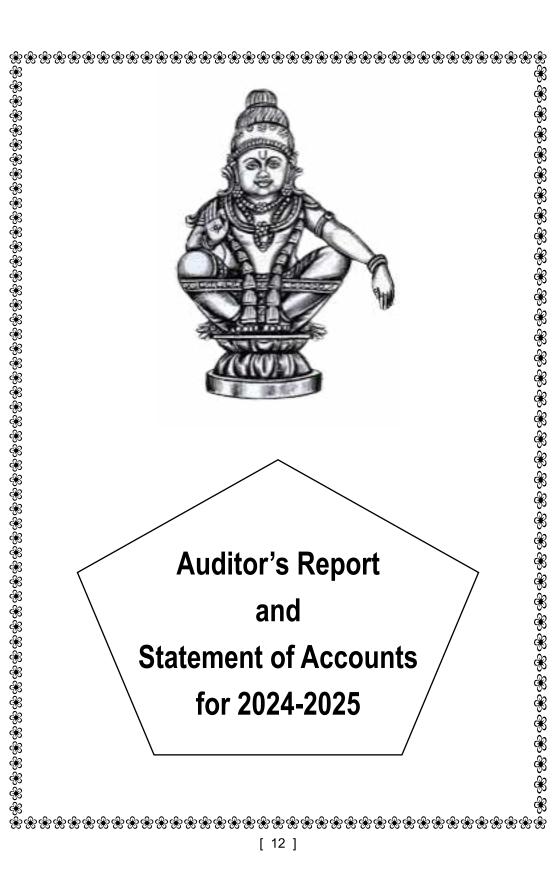
# Others:

- i) We thank M/s K.R. Sriram & Co, Chartered Accountants for their excellent services to Samooham as its Auditors.
- ii) The Managing Committee acknowledges the continued support and encouragement being extended by all the members, devotees and well-wishers in carrying out the various activities of the Samooham. Such appreciation has been instrumental in our unceasing efforts to fulfill the aspirations of our devotees and we are confident that such continued support will augur well for the future of our Samooham.

# SWAMIYE SARANAM AYYAPPA

By the Order of the Managing Committee

Kolkata S. Sridharan Dated: 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 Hony. Secretary



# K.R.SRIRAM & CO. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT SAASTHA SAMOOHAM (REGD.)

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42, Lake Avenue, Kolkata - 700 026

# **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by ICAI and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# Responsibilities of Management and those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and the Indian Trust Act and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process. The Management opines that the Guidance Note issued by ICAI regarding format of accounts for Non-Corporate entities effective from 01.04.2025, is not applicable to this institution, as it is a charitable and not-for-profit entity.

# **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a

guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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# **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of **SAASTHA SAMOOHAM** (**REGD.**), which comprise the balance sheet as at March 31, 2025, and the Income & Expenditure Account, Receipts and Payments Account for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the entity are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the generally accepted accounting practices and the Indian Trust Act.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations gives to us, the said accounts give a true & fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India.

- (I) the Balance Sheet, read with the notes thereon is a full and fair Balance Sheet containing all the necessary particulars, is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of state of affairs of the Trust as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in India;
- (ii) the Income and Expenditure Account, read with the notes thereon shows a true balance of the excess of Income over Expenditure for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in India, for the year covered by the account.
- (iii) the Receipts and Payments Account, read with the notes thereon shows a true and fair view of state of affairs of the Trust for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in India, for the year covered by the account.

Place: Kolkata Date:20.06.2025 For K.R.Sriram & Co. (Chartered Accountants) FRN:- 323146E (K. R. Sriram, Partner) (Membership No: 055199) UDIN No.: 25055199BMFXNN5418 

# SAASTHA 42, Lake Avenue BALANCE SHEET

31.03.2024	LIABILITIES	31.03	.2025
Amount (₹)		Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
	GENERAL FUND:		
13,760,896	As per last account	26,558,981	
12,658,459	Add: Kumbhabhiskam & Construction Receipts	2,510,218	
139,626	Add: Excess of Income over Expenditure Account	622,876	29,692,075
	CORPUS FUND:		
800,000	As per last account	800,000	
	Add: Fund received during the year	100,000	900,000
1,171,153	RESERVE FUND:		1,254,278
1,010,790	SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL & DISCOURSE FUND:		1,080,217
7,176,688	SPECIAL COMMUNITY WELFARE FUND:		7,676,688
22,178	STAFF WELFARE FUND:		23,428
	OUTSTANDING LIABILITIES:		
17,700	Audit fees	17,700	
11,800	E- filing fees	10,030	
3,500	Professional Fees	7,040	
16,090	Electricity Charges	12,340	
12,465	Others	388	
39,800	Salaries & Allowances	47,500	
13,500	Security Services	16,500	111,498
36,854,645	TOTAL		40,738,184

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts: Schedule - B

Place: Kolkata Date: 20.06.2025 In Terms of our report of even date
For K.R.Sriram & Co.

(Chartered Accountants) FRN:- 323146E

(K. R. Sriram, Partner)
UDIN No.: 25055199BMFXNN5418

# SAMOOHAM (REGD.) Kolkata - 700 026

Kolkata - 700 026 *AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2025* 

31.03.2024	ASSETS	31.03	.2025
Amount (₹)		Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
	FIXED ASSETS:		
21,560,133	As per Schedule - A		24,439,598
	FUND INVESTMENTS:		
2,782,526	General Fund Investments	3,388,327	
811,000	Corpus Fund Investments	911,000	
	Community Welfare and Cultural		
8,829,786	Development Investments	9,549,434	
1,087,339	Reserve Fund Investments	1,142,000	
21,207	Staff Welfare Fund Investment	21,207	15,011,968
	DEPOSITS WITH: (as per last accounts)		
10,860	For Gas & Meter Deposit	10,860	
29,800	C.E.S.C. Deposit	29,800	40,660
	LOANS & ADVANCES:	-	
	Tax Deducted at Source		
50,184	As per last account	142,696	
92,512	Add: For the Year 2024-25	85,907	
-	Less: Refund	138474	90,129
722,536	Accrued Interest on Investments	692,007	
280,000	Souvenier Receivables	15,000	707,007
	CASH AND BANK BALANCES:		
59,729	Cash in hand	36,754	
59,729	Cash at Bank	30,754	
481,018	UCO Bank in Savings A/c	337,362	
36,015	Dhanalaxmi Bank in Savings A/c	74,706	448,822
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36,854,645	TOTAL		40,738,184

Sd/-
V.V. Raman
(President)

Sd/-**S. Sridharan** (Hony. Secretary) Sd/-**K.N. Parasuraman** (Hony. Treasurer) Sd/-**K. Kalyanaraman** (Hony. Jt. Treasurer)

# SAASTHA

# 42, Lake Avenue

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

31.03.2024	EXPENDITURES	31.03	.2025
Amount (₹)		Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
1,105,033	To Salaries & Allowances		1,166,437
208,833	" Security Services		214,500
4,387	" Bank Charges		1,714
5,605	" Postage and Telephone		8,040
1,478,759	" Congregational & Discourse Expenses		1,814,194
120,146	" Maintenance Expenses		177,218
181,740	" Electricity Charges		176,340
23,754	" Insurance Expenses		23,753
17,700	" Audit Fees		17,700
66,234	" A G M Expenses		51,344
21,993	" Staff Welfare Expenses		42,803
926,759	" Depreciation		1,111,187
17,322	" Rate & Taxes		16,828
179,250	" Community Welfare and Cultural Development Expenses		163,000
6,810	" Professional Fees		13,180
11,340	" Internet Charges		8,580
14,000	" Website Renewal and Maintenance		11,360
139,626	" Excess of Income over Expenditure for the period transferred to General Fund		622,876
4,529,291	TOTAL		5,641,054

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts: Schedule - B

Place: Kolkata Date: 20.06.2025 In Terms of our report of even date
For K.R.Sriram & Co.
(Chartered Accountants)
FRN:- 323146E

(K. R. Sriram, Partner)
UDIN No.: 25055199BMFXNN5418

# SAMOOHAM (REGD.)

Kolkata - 700 026

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025

31.03.2024	INCOMES	31.03	.2025
Amount (₹)		Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
_	By Subscription: Ordinary Members		1,080
12,000	" Subscription: Life/Patron	17,000	
3,000	Less: Transferred to Reserve Fund	4,250	12,750
255,528	" Donation Receipts		627,126
	" Income from activities relating to Community Welfare and Cultural		
3,216,815	" Development		4,130,078
100,405	" Interest received from Bank		39,843
810,966	" Interest received from Investments		822,841
-	" Interest on IT Refund		7,336
136,577	" Net Gain on Disposal of Assets		-
4,529,291	TOTAL		5,641,054

Sd/-V.V. Raman (President) Sd/-**S. Sridharan** (Hony. Secretary) Sd/-**K.N. Parasuraman** (Hony. Treasurer) Sd/-**K. Kalyanaraman** (Hony. Jt. Treasurer)

# SAASTHA

# 42, Lake Avenue

# RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS	Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
To Opening Balance:		
Cash - in - Hand	59,729	
Cash - at - Bank	517,033	576,762
To Subscription: Ordinary Members		1,080
To Subscription: Life / Patron		12,750
To Donation Receipts		627,126
To Receipts from activities relating to Community Welfare and Cultural Development		6,445,414
To Interest received from Bank		39,843
To Interest received from Investments		813,432
To Interest on IT Refund		7,336
To Maturity of Fixed Deposit		11,571,373
To Reserve Fund		83,125
To Tax Deducted at Source		138,474
To Interest Receivable on Deposits		39,938
To Corpus Fund		100,000
To Souvenier Receivables		280,000
To Kumbhabhishekam & Construction Receipts		2,510,218
To Staff Welfare Fund		1,250
TOTAL		23,248,121

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts: Schedule - B

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# SAMOOHAM (REGD.)

Kolkata - 700 026

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025

PAYMENTS	Amount (₹)	Amount (₹)
By Salaries & Allowances		1,158,737
By Security Services		211,500
By Bank Charges		1,714
By Postage and Telephone		8,040
By Congregational & Discourse Expenses		3,705,103
By Maintenance Expenses		177,218
By Electricity Charges		180,090
By Insurance Expenses		23,753
By Audit Fees		17,700
By A G M Expenses		51,344
By Staff Welfare Expenses		42,803
By Community Welfare and Cultural Development Expenses		163,000
By Rate & Taxes		16,828
By Professional Fees		11,410
By Internet Charges		8,580
By Website Renewal and Maintenance		11,360
By Fixed Deposit		13,051,483
By Building		3,794,297
By Electrical Installation		35,920
By Furniture, Office Equipments		30,435
By Kumbhabhishekam Expenses		12,077
By Tax Deducted at Source		85,907
By Closing Balance		
Cash -in- Hand	36,754	
Cash -at- Bank	412,068	448,822
TOTAL		23,248,121

Sd/-V.V. Raman (President) Sd/-**S. Sridharan** (Hony. Secretary) Sd/-**K.N. Parasuraman** (Hony. Treasurer) Sd/-**K. Kalyanaraman** (Hony. Jt. Treasurer)

# SAASTHA SAMOOHAM (REGD.)

Kolkata - 700 026

Schedule 'A'

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DESCRIPTION		G	GROSS BLOCK	¥			DEPR	DEPRECIATION		NET BLOCK	OCK
	Depreciation Percentage	As at 31st March '24	Additions	Deletions	As at 31st March '25	As at 31st March '24	During the year	During Depreciation the year	As at 31st March '25	As at 31st March '25	As at 31st March '24
Land	0	59,337	1	-	59,337	-	1	•	•	59,337	59,337
Building	5	22,255,528	3,794,297		26,049,825	4,966,900	1,029,285		5,996,185	20,053,640	17,288,628
Utensils	10	423,110	1	1	423,110	317,732	10,538	•	328,270	94,840	105,378
Furniture, Office Equipments, Pictures and Wooden	10	793,487	30,435		823,922	523,083	28,691		551,774	272,148	270,404
Chapparam											
Electrical Installation	10	751,544	35,920		787,464	357,198	41,231		398,429	389,035	394,346
Water Purifier	15	13,490			13,490	905'1	868		8,404	980'9	5,984
Computer	40	94,091			94,091	93,335	303		93,638	453	756
Tubewell	9	75,056			75,056	70,242	241		70,483	4,573	4,814
Idol and allied (Gold and Silver) articles	0	3,430,486	130,000		3,560,486	•	•	-		3,560,486	3,430,486
TOTAL		27,896,129	3,990,652	=	31,886,781	6,335,996	1,111,187	-	7,447,183	24,439,598	21,560,133
Previous Year		14,821,726	13,079,168	4765	27,896,129	5,413,532	926,759	4,295	6,335,996	21,560,133	9,408,194

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts: Schedule - B

In Terms of our report of even date (Chartered Accountants) For K. R. Sriram & Co.

FRN:- 323146E (K. R. Sriram, Partner) UDIN No. : 25055199BMFXNN5418

Place: Kolkata Date: 20.06.2025

VV Raman (President)

Sd/-**S. Sridharan** (Hony. Secretary)

K.N. Parasuraman (Hony. Treasurer) Sd/-

Sd/-

K. Kalyanaraman (Hony. Jt. Treasurer)

# SAASTHA SAMOOHAM (Regd.)

Regd. Office: 42, LAKE AVENUE, KOLKATA - 700 026 PAN : AAAAS4299L

Schedule - 'B'

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FY 2024-25

# A. BACKGROUND

This is a Trust registered under the Indian Trust Act engaged in to social and charitable activities for the benefit of the people of Kolkata.

# **B. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

1. Accounting Convention:

The Accounts of this institution are prepared based on Historical Cost Convention and using the Going Concern Concept.

Accrual Basis of Accounting :

The Accounts of this Institution is prepared on the Accrual Basis of Accounting and all items of Income/Expenses/Assets and Liabilities are recorded based on accrual basis.

3. Organisation:

The Institution is a Trust registered under the Societies Registration Act as defined in the Income Tax Act and is registered u/s 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

4. Revenue Recognition:

Donations are generally treated as Income of the Institution unless such donations are specified for the corpus of the Institution which is shown under Corpus fund.

5. Taxes:

As the Institution is registered u/s 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961, no Income Tax is applicable.

6. Fixed Assets / Depreciation:

Fixed Assets are stated at Cost less Depreciation calculated at rates specified in the Income Tax Act, 1961. The Institution adopts the Written Down Value Method in calculating Depreciation.

# C. NOTES ON ACCOUNTS

1. Investments:

Investments are in Bank Fixed Deposit & valued at invested value.

2. During the Year under review, certain heads of Income and Expenses have been renamed for administrative convenience and for focusing on the actual activities of the society.

- 3. Contingent Liabilities: NIL
- 4. Previous year figures have been re-arranged and or re grouped where ever deemed necessary.
- 5. The accounts of the institution have been drawn up in the same manner as in previous years. In our opinion, the Guidance Note issued by ICAI regarding format of accounts for Non-Corporate entities effective from 01.04.2025, is not applicable to this institution, as it is a charitable and not-for-profit entity. Further in terms of our interpretation, the said Guidance Note is applicable only to Institutions / Entities engaged in Business or Profession.

Signed in terms of our report of even date.

Place: Kolkata

Date: 20.06.2025

For K.R.Sriram & Co.

(Chartered Accountants) FRN:- 323146E (K. R. Sriram, Partner) UDIN No.: 25055199BMFXNN5418

Sd/-V.V. Raman (President)

S. Sridharan (Hony. Secretary)

Sd/-**K.N. Parasuraman** (Hony. Treasurer) Sd/-**K. Kalyanaraman** (Hony. Jt. Treasurer)

Sd/-

	SAASTH	A SAN	MOOHAM (Regd.)
			Timings :
	5.00 a.m.	•	Temple Opens
	5.30 – 7.30 a.m.	:	Abhishekam, Usha Puja
	9.30 a.m.	:	Temple Closes
	5.00 p.m.	:	Temple Opens
	6.30 p.m.	:	Sandhya Puja, Deeparadhana
	8.30 p.m.	:	Temple Closes
	above timings may vary duri a, Pratishta Dinam and Manda		ecial pujas like, Laksharchana, Thrikaala etc.
	Wee	kly P	rogramme :
Frid	ays (5.30 p.m.)	•	Soundarya Lahiri Parayanam by Lady Devotees
Satı	urdays (6.00 – 6.45 p.m.)	:	Vishnu Sahasranamam and Hanuman Chalisa Parayanams
	(7.00 – 9.00 p.m.)	:	Bhajan by Samooham Bhajan Group
	VARI	ous	OFFERINGS
1.	Ganapathy Homam		₹ 250.00
2.	Ashtothara Archana		₹ 60.00
3.	Neeranjanam		₹ 50.00
4.	Nitya Puja		₹ 200.00
5.	Special One Day Puja		₹ 2000.00
6.	Permanent Nitya Puja		₹ 1500.00
7.	Deepasthambham		₹ 800.00
8.	Abhishekam		₹ 500.00
9.	Neyabhishekam		₹ 800.00
10.	Annaprasanam		₹ 500.00
11.	Vidyarambham		₹ 2000.00
12.	Milk Abhishekam to any on	e Nav	/agraha ₹ 100.00
13.	Navagraha Homam		₹ 5000.00
14.	Silver Kavacham to any De	eity	₹ 800.00 ₹ 500.00 ₹ 800.00 ₹ 500.00 ₹ 2000.00 ₹ 100.00 ₹ 5000.00 ₹ 5000.00 ₹ 5000.00



"In Retrospect"

Memories of Saastha Preethi in Kolkata - an Insider's view
- S. R. Chandran

Where to start and where to end? From the year 1954, when this function was conducted at the Blind lane in front of late Rams Seshal yer's hotel, of the ones at the National High School premises (Boys and Girls), or of the many conducted at the RR Sabah Hall and the adjoining plot, of the ones now being held at our own premises at Lake Avenue?

The nostalgic memories of all these celebrations are still fresh in me. It fills me with pride that most of the year adding whatever little 1 could to the yeorans services my stalwart friends were rendering, the other by seeing the ecstasy of the devotee public participating in these memorable festivals. Today, it is very gratifying to see that those who attended the festivities those days, still cherish their memories and hold the institution at a high pedestal.

My experience has always been as a string-puller behind the curtain. All through, I never had an opportunity of viewing the Sassthapreethi as a spectator from the front and therefore my views are only as those of a construction worker who admires the huge multiplex before him, to build which he also tolled as 'the proverbial squirrel in Rama's army which built the Ram Sethu'. The love and affection I earned from my colleagues in the Samooham is beyond parallel - but it is physical, monetary or advisory.

Come the Mandalam season, the Samooham exudes with effervescent enthusiasm-they oung (and the old) volunteers vie with each other in exerting their best to make the year's biggest event most successful. Separate committees are formed to tackle the different aspects of the activies - The Mandala Vaaram, The Maharudram, The Saasthapreethi is with sub-committees to handle the souvenir publication, Samaraadhana, financial, cultural, religious and other related areas. Each of these committees sportingly compete with each other in their commitment to make the whole event memorable. They approach the beginning of the Mandalam



MY ASSOCIATION WITH SAASTHA SAMOOHAM

Dr R V Venkateswaran

My association with Saastha Samooham began with attending occasional Saturday bhajans and then becoming a Life Member: During the annual Saasthapreethi I used to be lot of fun engaging in this with many other volunteer for scraping coconuts, cleaning banana leaves etc on Friday night. It used to be lot of fun engaging in this with many other volunteers, both men and women. During the Samaradhana on Saturday, I used to volunteer for serving food.

Later, I had been very privileged to be involved in the management of Samooham for almost three decades - three years as Joint Secretary, twenty three years as Secretary and three years as Vice President. It had enabled me to interact with a vast variety of people and improvise my responses to many difficult situations.

Samooham was looked down upon as "Stenographers' Association" and also for it's very limited, if at all, social involvement. After I took over as Secretary, I was determined to overhaul the image of Samooham as an important institution of spiritual and social relevance. The first step in this direction was the introduction of tuition fee scholarship scheme to economically deserving students at the primary level of National High School for Girls and Andhra Association School. I think so far more than five hundred students have been benefited from this scheme. It will be worth recalling at this juncture the case of a class 2 student from Andhra Association School who lost his father, the sole earning member. The student was adopted by the Samooham and his education expenses fully supported upto class 12. He excelled in his studies and later after graduation and post graduation, completed a Ph.D. Program, went abroad for further studies and is now well settled in a company in Kolkata. We are glad the scholarship scheme proved a turning point in his life. To encourage talent we introduced cash awards and a citation to the Madhyamik and Ucrah Madhyamik toppers of both National High Schools and Andh

visiting the Samooham and were appreciative of the changes. Sponsoring Prasadam for Saturdays was introduced to enable devotees to have their choice of Prasadam. We could also get sponsorships for all the items connected with the annual Maharudram and Saasthapreethi. The functions of Samooham were made very inclusive by involving Members/Committees of sister institutions in the organisation of these functions. We introduced a system of identifying and honouring with a citation, members (including long serving Committee members) who have positively contributed to the welfare and advancement of Samooham's solectives, during our annual Saasthpreethi celebrations. A Welfare Trust was started to channelise the Samooham's solally relevant schemes like fees cholarships, donations to the needy etc. Devotees have been in appreciative support of the many socially uplifting measures.

Samooham's identity is through it's lively bhajans on Saturdays and the enthralling detailed bhajan on the Sunday following annual Saastha Preethi. This is eagerly looked forward to by devotees, gathering in large numbers and enjoying every moment of it. Most of the stalwarts of earlier days are no more now and a new group of young performers is continuing the tradition. We could conduct all the functions of the Samooham, particularly the annual celebrations in a smooth manner thanks to the volunteers of ABASS, ably assisted by volunteers from the devotees.

Devotees looked at Samooham as en extension of their own home and felt free to approach the Secretary even for an occasional personal issue. With the support and encouragement of our devotees, we could procure a flat nearby which became useful to accommodate the Samooham priest and his family. The facilities in the Samooham was not without the vicissitudes of the office I held. But with the unqualified support and encouragement from my colleagues in the Committee and the goodwill of the devotees, I was able to carry on with the assigned task and raise the status of Samooham to a leading



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