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కార్యకర్తల సమితికి
భుగావణి జ్యోతిషగణ
సల్ల సడయలరీ.
సోకే మాడబయసువము
జనరు చెళ్ళసోడి.



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• కన్నడ బళ్ళగ ఎరడనేయ వార్షిక సభ: జనవరి ౧౯౮౪
వారాకేయ మేలే ఎడసాద బలభ: వోలెంజివారి దాంపరువత్తి,
వియోజివారి సమితి అధ్యక్షుడు. రాజశేఖర్, మాన్య అకిలి శ్రీ స్వామి
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మంజుల ప్రదర్శన

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EDITORIAL

Kannada Balaga Newsletter is reaching members very much behind schedule. The editor apologises to all members for this delay, for reasons beyond the editor's control.

For reasons of economy in production costs, the issue is reduced in length - popular articles are still solicited. The editor seeks member's opinion for the relevance for Kannada lesson in a publication of this nature. The lessons were introduced in a hope that it may be welcome to those who wish to get acquainted with their mother tongue. But the frequency of the newsletter seems to be out of step for any "lesson" to be worthwhile! This edition does not carry lesson 3 as a result of this line of thought. If members think it is useful then it will be re-introduced, space permitting.

Suggestions and constructive criticisms are welcome. Notification of change of address is absolutely essential! Failure of receipt of Kannada Balaga bulletins on forthcoming meetings are for a good measure due to members either not renewing their membership or overlooking a prompt notice to the secretary/treasurer of a change in address. The editor can only mail the newsletter to addresses provided by the officers on the Executive committee. So, a request specially to those members in the medical profession, please inform your new location irrespective of your tenure there!

The next number will be aimed as a pre-AGM issue.

KANNADA BALAGA-ELECTIONS 1985

The election committee has pleasure in outlining the guidelines regarding the procedure of the forthcoming election.

As per the Kannada Balaga Constitution, the present office bearers end their term of office in 1985. Provisionally, the next election is fixed to be held at the AGM in July/August 1985, the venue for which is yet to be decided.

Nominations will be called for early in May this year allowing 2 weeks for response from KB members. All members above age 18 are eligible to stand for election and also to vote. Postal votes sent only in the reply-paid envelope and ballot paper are accepted. All votes must be sent to the Returning Officer who has a non-member, non-voting status.

Up to 15 members need to be elected, including three office bearers, viz. the President, Secretary & Treasurer. The portfolio of the 12-member General Executive Committee will be determined amongst those elected. A nominee can stand for two offices. Those put up for election will be requested to send a brief account of their bio-data along with the post/s they wish to contend. This will be provided to all voting members for referral.

All elected posts are honorary and non-profit-making.

Incoming votes will be counted at 10 A.M. on the morning of the AGM in presence of those who wish to witness it. The successful candidates will be introduced to members present that same afternoon.

The election committee trusts KB members to provide their co-operation in this election procedure. It also hopes members will be prompt in sending their nominations/votes and help the election to run smoothly and successfully.

Members of the Election Committee:
Dr. Appaji; Dr. Bhanumati; Mrs. Leela Rao.

KANNADA BALAGA UK - TREASURER'S REPORT

Honourable President, Secretary, Members of the Executive Council, distinguished guests and members of KB UK - it gives me great pleasure to present the account of KB since its inception in May 1983 to the end of April 1984.

Both the current and deposit accounts of KB UK are held at National Westminster Bank PLC, Portland Square, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. The account has been audited by Mr TSV Devadasan, 200 Mansfield Road, Nottingham for a nominal charge. Our annual membership fee was only £5. I must mention that the membership fees and the fees collected for the various functions are not always clearly demarcated as a number of members sent their cheques inclusive of both. The account in brief, is as follows:

INCOME

Source	Amount, £
1. Membership fees collected to the end of April 1984	940.00
2. Inaugural function held at Hindu Temple, Nottingham, 1-5-83	291.00
3. Function held at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, London, 28-8-83	475.00
4. Deepavali function held at Hindu Temple, Nottingham, 5-11-83	775.00
Donations:	
Dr. Appaji Gowda	51.00
Dr. Ramanna	30.00
Sirigere Swamiji	101.00
Mrs. Kanabur	3.50
TOTAL	£2425.00

EXPENDITURE

Details	Amount, £
Item 2 above	148.00
Item 3 above	250.00
Item 3 above	606.00

Bank charges, auditing, solicitor fees, telephone charges, donations to Hindu Temple, reprograph charges, stationery, expenses claimed by committee members: paid against written claims after scrutiny & justification)

435.00
TOTAL £1439.00

I thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve as Treasurer to the KB.

I have had great support from all the members of KB, especially those on the Executive Committee, and I am very grateful to all of them.

As KB, UK enters the second year its activities are increasing and so will the expenses. It will be necessary to increase the membership fees, perhaps to 10.00. I would like members gathered today to vote on this issue."

26-8-84 Dr.C.C. Kuruvatti

*NOTE: Membership fees is now voted to be £10.00. KB, UK requests the present members of KB send their membership payments duly amended to 10.

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KANNADA BALAGA UK - SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dear Member,

It gives me immense pleasure to provide a brief report of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Kannada Balaga UK (KB, UK) held at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, London on 26th August 1984.

Dr Sneha Kulkarni presided over the function. Sri Swami Bhavyananda, Chairman of the Vedanta Centre - Sri Ramakrishna Mission, UK and Shri YN Krishnamurthy, a prominent journalist of Karnataka were the chief guests at the function. About 60% of our members were present, giving the committee the working majority to pass resolutions. However, attendance fell short of the expected number, much to the disappointment of the host committee and the organisers.

The President, Dr Sneha Kulkarni opened the meeting and invited the secretary and the treasurer to present their reports for the year of office. Dr. RV Vibhuti, Hon. Sec., KB, UK, outlined the various activities conducted by Kannada Balaga under the executive committee in office. Three gatherings were held in the year 1983-1984 timed at the Deepavali, Ugadi festivals and the August AGM. The recognition of KB, UK as a Charity Organisation in the UK, establishment of liaison with and recognition by the Government of Karnataka, who also gave KB, UK a Kannada Typewriter as a gift of goodwill and good wishes, and starting a Newsletter for communication and information to KB members are some of the noteworthy achievements of the Executive & Editorial Committees in office, the Secretary reported. On behalf of the executive committee the secretary notified the appointment of Dr Bhanumati as the chief organiser for the forthcoming elections.

The Treasurer, KB, UK, Dr C Kuruwatti then presented his report, which is given herein separately. An open session for discussion was then conducted by the president presenting the resolutions for members' consideration and vote.

Some of the members complained bitterly about not receiving invitations to the functions held by KB, UK. The members gathered were gratified to hear that the committee was investing all efforts possible to improve co-ordination and updating of members' addresses to enable better communications.

The following resolutions were adopted by majority vote of raised hands.

1. To raise the annual family subscription of KB, UK to TEN POUNDS with effect from 5th April 1985.
2. To encourage all members to pay their subscriptions by standing order.
3. To raise money by means of covenant from members who would like to donate to KB, UK and consider them for Life Membership.
4. To accept the treasurer's report.
5. To have an own building for KB, UK - (met with enthusiastic encouragement only).

The chief guests then addressed the gathering. They were both appreciative of the efforts of Kannadigas of UK in establishing an essentially needed Family.

The importance of Indian Culture, Art and Literature was emphasised by the learned guests. They wished the Balaga a very bright future. Dr Rajasekhar, chairman of the host committee proposed the vote of thanks.

26-8-84

Secretary, KB, UK.

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DO WE NEED KANNADA BALAGA?

by
Avinash Kulkarni; Age 14 yrs.

Do we need Kannada Balaga? This question is a very broad one and so I will try to answer it from various different angles.

First let me tell you how Kannada Balaga was founded. About one and a half years ago, a few families got together and felt that it would be good to gather the many kannadigas who were scattered all over Great Britain. After countless nights of telephoning, writing letters, advertising and hard work, they finally achieved their much wanted goal. They had often seen organisations for other states such as Maharashtra, but they had never seen one for the Karnataka state; this was the first successful attempt any one had made to set up an organisation for Kannadigas in Great Britain.

When our organisation was founded I didn't think it would help me much, but having been in it for some time now I realise that it has helped me after all, and tremendously! When I went to India to visit my relatives in April 1984, I felt we were so cut off from them. As I saw it, it seemed they were having a good time while we (my family) were back home (I say home, but it isn't really, is it?) in England at school and work.

Here, we didn't have a satisfying social life. But when our organisation was founded we began to meet new people and to make new friends. This seemed to be a simulation of Karnataka which therefore made us happier and feel secure amongst what felt foreign and alien. Kannada Balaga has given us something to fall back on if stress and difficulties warrant it. It has given us a new identity. If we didn't have any self identity we would be lost and forlorn, as we were before Kannada Balaga came into being. Without an identity of this sort, most of us children were becoming anglicised, because we had nothing to fall back on; therefore we resorted to the option of taking western culture.

There are still some of us who cannot (will not?) speak Kannada because we have been exposed to only western culture for too long. What our organisation tries to do is to help these people by showing them our very own cultural ideas which can answer their questions about life in general. I realised this problem and I have helped myself a great deal by taking part in the cultural activities provided by Kannada Balaga.

I know what it is like for those who have become anglicised as I discovered during my visit to India and Karnataka. Therefore I have written this essay to show others like me that it is not impossible to change our ways to become true Kannadigas; I have gone through this "metamorphosis" myself!

In my opinion, if we didn't have Kannada Balaga we would all become overwhelmed by the society which surrounds us. Do we need Kannada Balaga? Yes! we do! But it is up to each of you to decide for yourself!

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all our friends who attended the funeral and others who sent kind messages, floral tributes and help on the sad loss of my dear husband Dr Halesh who suddenly passed away on 12-2-85.

It is not possible for me to mention everyone by name for lack of space. But I cannot conclude without mentioning Dr Devaraj and Dr Vibhuti and their families who have helped so much that thanks has no meaning and I am grateful to them forever. I am also grateful to Mr & Mrs Rao and many many others. I do not know what I would have done without you all.

Moksha Halesh

