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"Gods own Country" Kerala, witnessed the worst flood of the century with a catastrophic rainfall of 257% over the previous monsoon. One-Sixth of the population was directly affected by the floods and related incidents. Termed as the 'Calamity of Severe Nature', the state had been put under red alert. Affected by the landslides and flood, the intensity of the damages is being assessed. Almost all the dams were opened since the water level had risen to overflow levels, flooding low lying areas. Rescue operations started instantly. Miraculous efforts by the people en-masse, fishermen, Police, Army, Navy and the Government deserves special mention. Food, clothing, medicines, relief aids poured in from individuals and organisations. The magnanimity of one human towards another across the country cannot be put in words. Loss of homes, livelihood, reconstruction, rehabilitation has to be addressed and countered in the coming days. Assistance and funding is the need of the hour.

The GSB community settlements in Ernakulam, Kottayam, Pattanamthitta, Alappuzha, Thrissur and Kozhikode districts have been severely affected. GSB organisations under H.H Sudheendra Thirtha Charitable Trust through GSB Sabhas provided immediate relief by supplying food materials and other necessities to the door steps of the affected GSB families. Medical Camps were also conducted. Renovation/ Reconstruction of many dilapidated houses have been identified.

All GSB organisations have come together to channelise resources and funds to assist the GSB community under the Kashi Mathadheesh H.H Samyameendra Thirtha Swamiji. A comprehensive plan has been adopted to augment the relief and rehabilitation process by H.H Sudheendra Thirtha Charitable Trust through the GSB Mahasabhas, is in progress. We appeal to the GSB Community in Trivandrum to provide their helping hands to the affected bandhavs.

The annual day functions on 18th August 2018, had been postponed as all celebrations across the state have been put off. The Ganeshotsav Nimanjan Procession cannot be conducted this year. The Mahaganapathi Homam and other rituals will be done as before on 13th September 2018 at our Dhyam Mandir.

The Chaturmasa Vritha of our Mathadheesh has started at Thirumala Tirupati. The newly elected council members will be attending this program on 22nd September 2018 for Samarpan of Chaturmasa Kanikka of GSB Mahasabha Trivandrum. 'Vinanthi Patra' will be placed before the lotus feet of the Swamiji.

The felicitation ceremony for the meritorious children in the spheres of Education and Co-curricular activities from the Samaj will be held on 29th September 2018 during the Sabha Sammelan.

Report: The 32nd Annual day function of our Sabha was held on 15th of August 2018. Kum. Bhavana Krishna S Pai, performed a Carnatic Vocal concert. She was accompanied on Violin by her father Sri. Sunil Pai, Sri. Gokulnath Kamath from North Paravur on Mridangam and Sri. Ramachandran Potti, Trivandrum on Ghatom.

Election of Council members for the next term of five years was conducted during the Sabha Sammelan. The outgoing President Adv K G Mohandas Pai and Secretary Sri Somanatha Prabhu expressed their gratitude towards the Samajiks for their support and cooperation. They urged the younger generation to come forward for the Sabha activities.

The General Body unanimously decided to retain the existing Council members for the next term 2018-23.

The new members in their first Council meeting on 31st August elected the new Office bearers, Shri Adv K G Mohandas Pai (President), Shri Sathish Prabhu N(Vice President), Shri Somanatha Prabhu V (Secretary), Shri R Ranga Naik (Treasurer), Shri Naveen Kumar A (Joint Secretary), Shri Viswanath Nayak S (Joint Treasurer), Shri Suresh Kumar V,

Shri Suresh Kamath R, Shri Harikumar N, Shri Venkiteswara Shenoy P, and Shri Satheesh Kamath R are the remaining Council Members.

Rig Upakarma Havan and Sri Krishna Janmashtami pooja were performed in our Sabha Mandir on 25th August and 2nd September respectively. All programmes are well attended.

Important days:

13-09-18 - Sree Vinayaka Chathurthi (Ganeshotsavam)

23-09-18 - Srimad Ananda Chathurthi.

25-09-18 - Chathurmasa Vritha Samapthi of Sree Kashimathadhipathi Srimad Samyameendra Tirtha Swamiji, Mrithika Visarjanam, Punnya Tidhi of Srimad Yadavendra Tirtha Swamiji(2).

26-09-18 - Mahalaya Paksharambham. (മാളു)

09-10-18 - Mahalaya Amavasi

10-10-18 - Navarathri prarambham. **Time to fill the holly pot, നവരാത്രി**

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17-10-18 - Durgashtami.

18-10-18 - Mahanavami. Sree Saraswathi Pooja.

19-10-18 - Vijayadashami, Karthika Vrita Tulasi poojarmbham, Gramasabha Baaladinam.

Wedding: Chi: Anup, S/o Smt Jayanthi and Sri Janardhana Naik U, House No 74, Tagore Gardens, Medical College PO, Trivandrum married Sow: Resmitha, D/o Smt Geetha and Sri Ramesh Prabhu, 'Mohanam', Chakkalamukku, Eruva PO, Kayamkulam on 26th August 2018 at TA Convention Centre, Kayamkulam.

GSB Mahasabha Trivandrum Wishes them a happy married life.

Obituary: Smt Sarojam Kamath A, (71) wife of Sri S Ramnath Kamath S,"Saroj", JPN -71, TC 16/1481, DPI Jn, Thycaud PO, attained Vishnu Paadam on 4th August 2018. She was the Joint Registrar(Rtd), of Kerala University. Their elder son Sri Suresh Kamath R, is our Sabha Council member, working as teacher at Ottasekharamangalam HSS, wife Smt Sumitha G, in Registration Dept. Younger son Sri Sudheer Kamath R, is a Pharmacist in London, wife Smt. Anu Rani V Prabhu, working in British Telephones, London.

GSB Mahasabha Trivandrum Conveys its heartfelt condolences to the family.

Booking of Sree Sathyanarayana Vritha Pooja: Samajiks are requested to book their Pooja days in advance for the coming months.

Saraswatha Panchangam 1194: A few number of Panchangam are available at our Sabha Office. Samajiks are requested to collect the same before it get exhausted.

Programme of Sree Kashi Mathadhipathi H H Srimad Samyamindra Tirtha Swamiji

Commencement of Chathurmasa Vritham of Velambi Nama Samvatsara was on 02-08-2018 at Thirumala Sree Kashi Math, Tirupathi.

Mruthika Visarjan and Chathurmasa Vritha Samapthi is on 25-09-2018.

PROGRAMMES AT SREE NARASIMHA VILAS SABHA MANDIR DURING SEPTEMBER 2018

GANESHOTSAV 2018 on 13-09-2018 (Thursday)

Mahaganapathi Homam	-	10.00am.
Archana and Poornahoothi	-	12.00pm,
Prasad distribution	-	01.00pm,

Please book your sevas with name & birth star in advance.

Sree Sathyanarayana Vrita Pooja on 29-09-2018 Saturday (evening)

Timing:	Pooja Prarambh	-	05.30pm,
	Sthothra Parayan	-	05.45pm
	Aarathy	-	07.30pm
	Sabha Sammelan and Felicitation to		
	Academic winners	-	07.45pm
	Prasad distribution	-	08.30pm

Venue: Sree Narasimha Vilas Prarthana Mandir
Yajman: Mahajan of Trivandrum.

All are requested to participate and make the functions a big success.
