

Honorable chair person and organising committee, Honorable guests, ladies and gentlemen!

It is my very great joy, honor and privilege to present to you today Maharishi Mahesh Yogi's approach to solve the problems of modern times through his Vedic Science and Technologies.

Nepal the Land of Himalayas and Veda

Beautiful Nepal being famous for its richness in culture and tradition is considered as one of the most Vedic countries in the world. It has provided an immense richness of knowledge to the world. Only in recent decades modern science has matured enough to really being able to understand and appreciate the enormous depth and profundity of mankind's most ancient and most perfect tradition of knowledge, the Vedic tradition of knowledge, i.e. to meet with Vedic Science on common grounds.

During the last decades I was very fortunate to witness this progress of increasing interest of Western society and science in the knowledge of the Vedas. One individual - a great scholar and sage of the Vedic Tradition of India – I feel very much indebted to in this context. He is Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, whose merit it is to really have opened up the enormous treasuries of the Vedas to the Western world and also to modern science. Maharishi has re-arranged and organized the vast Vedic knowledge into a sytematic, orderly body of knowledge - Maharishi Vedic science - which can now be accessed by modern society and science. Also, he showed the practicality of the Vedic knowledge for many areas of life of the individual and society and their far-ranging benefits. His achievements are quite impressive. He was also the one, who in fact introduced Ayurveda first on a large scale to the West as the most complete science of health. But his foremost achievement has been to enliven the knowledge of Yoga and provide a simple, natural, yet highly effective technique of meditation to the world, known as Transcendental Meditation. He received this technique from his Guru Dev, Swami Brahmanda Sarasvati, Shankaracharya of Jyotir Math. Providing this powerful, yet simple and natural technology to the world, which enables the experience of the field of "pure consciousness", the basic field of life, and the development of higher states of consciousness. Many millions of individuals all over the world successfully practise Transcendental Meditation and with that rise to higher states of consciousness and enjoy additional benefits. Vedic technologies of Consciousness: Transcendental Meditation

Maharishi has received from the Vedic tradition of Masters and his own teacher who was a representative of the great tradition and technology – Transcendental Meditation (TM) - for the systematic exploration of the unified field and has made it available to everyone who wishes to rise to higher states of consciousness. This technology requiring no effort or concentration at all provides access to the unified field and provides the opportunity to explore it through experience of the simplest and most unified state of consciousness. TM progressively leads to a progressive refinement and settling down of mental activity and eventually transcending all thoughts and perceptions and experiencing pure consciousness, the unified field of all the laws of nature - the field

of Atma - at the source of thought. Many hundreds scientific research studies have been conducted in the past 30 years at more than 250 universities in different countries and well known research institutions throughout the world evaluating the benefits of TM for health, mental and cognitive functions, social behaviour and relationships and world peace.

Maharishi Vedic Yagya

VEDIC PERFORMANCES are creating the activity through the Vedic sounds which are the sounds of the transcendental field of self-referral consciousness. Transcendental field of self-referral consciousness is the unbounded, eternal basis of all creation. All activity of creation emerges from that. Vedic performances being the performances from the basis of all life, they influence all life. Just like the gardener waters the root, it supplies nourishment to the whole tree from within. The Vedic performances, being the performances from the most basic field of intelligence, they influence all levels of intelligence in creation. –Maharishi

Here in Nepal we have started a Maharishi Vedic Yagya at the Vishwaroop Mandir, on the grounds of Pashupatinath. Famous all over the world, the Pashupatinath area is considered as one of the most ideal places in which Vedic Yagya can be preformed. Nepal Maharishi Vedic Foundation is sponsoring a daily Vedic Yagya of Rudrabhishek for the purpose of bringing peace and prosperity to the nation. Daily more than 40 highly trained Maharishi Vedic Pandits gather at the Vishwaroop Mandir complex to practice Transcendental Meditation and to perform their Vedic Yagya.

The practice of Transcendental Meditation opens the awareness of the Pandits to the Transcendental Field, the Unified Field of all the Laws of Nature, each individual Pandit's own Pure Consciousness, the Atma. Yagya performed on the ground of this Transcendental Field of Consciousness directly awakens the Devata and brings life supporting benefits to all fields of life. For Yagya to be maximally effective, the Pandits must daily experience this Transcendental Field, their pronunciation of Vedic Mantras must be precisely articulated and their technical performance, the method of performing Yagya, must be carefully and correctly performed.

Yagya performed in such a careful and holistic manner brings great benefits to society. For this purpose a special and holistic Sankalpa has been formulated to bring the very best quality of life to Nepal. Pandits practicing the advanced program of the TM-Sidhis will deepen their experience of Pure Consciousness and automatically their daily Vedic performances will be again many times more effective.

As finances become available we will gradually raise the numbers of our Vedic Pandits to 121 performing their Vedic Yagya every day. Such a powerful and integrating influence of coherence for the nation will be created that we expect that even the most 'unresolvable' problems the nation faces will simply melt away and no longer be found. Ultimately the goal of the Nepal Maharishi Foundation for Vedic Culture is to create a group of 650 Vedic experts in the Transcendental Meditation Technique and the TM-Sidhi program. Such a group of Vedic Pandits performing Yagya for the nation will create an invincible, prosperous and ideal Nepal.

"Nepal to lead the world"

This was the motto of Maharishi ji, when he visited Nepal in November 1974 and taught his Transcendental Medition to about 30.000 Nepalese in Ratna Park, Kathmandu. Maharishi ji had a keen interest in reviving the ancient Vedic tradition and culture of India and Nepal, which is a tradition of consciousness, a tradition, which promotes life in accordance with Natural Law. He inspired Deepak Baskota, former Home Minister of Nepal, to set up a group of 121 Vedic Pandits, who are doing the techologies of consciousness (TM and TM-Sidhi program) every morning and evening and who are, from that level of silence, performing daily Rudrabhishek at the premisses of the Pashupatinath Mandir. Here the silent value of Natural Law is most lively, and from where a coherence creating effect can be generated most effectively for Nepal and through Nepal for Asia and the whole of the world.

Several times I had the opportunity to visit these Pandits, while they were performing Yagyas— I am convinced that through their recitations a powerful influence of peace and harmony is being created. These wonderful experiences inspired me to establish the Foundation for Vedic Cultural Heritage in Germany (Stiftung zur Förderung des Vedischen Welkulturerbes), whose goal is to help maintain, protect, and preserve this cherished knowledge and cultural heritage, this power of a living oral tradition, thousands of years old.

Vedic Recitations and the Vedic Performances (Yagyas) as performed by the Vedic Pandits in Nepal are recognized by UNESCO as a significant part of the world's cultural inheritance. UNESCO has proclaimed the tradition of Vedic recitation as "a masterpiece of the oral and intangible heritage of humanity".

In deep appreciation for the Vedic culture, we have created this foundation as a platform to provide the financial means to allow the custodians of this Knowledge, the Vedic Pandits in Nepal and India, to have proper schools and facilities that will enable them to continue their precious traditional training and duties, - training of new Pandits is necessary as well as providing additional training for experienced Pandits, in order to assist them in preserving the Vedic cultural values in their country.

Our partner in Nepal is the Nepal Maharishi Foundation for Vedic Culture. Before this new organization was founded, now already more than three years ago, a great deal had been accomplished regarding the support and training of Pandits in Nepal by the Nepal Maharishi Vedic Foundation and its chairman Deepak Baskota (former Nepal Home Minister of State, former Chairman of the Nepal Federation of Cooperatives and current Director of Kanchenjunga Tea Estates). On the basis of these accomplishments we can continue to build and expand this training.

Maharishi Mahesh Yogi has already revived much of the Vedic tradition of Pandits' oral recitation and performances in India. Maharishi set up a big group of about 3,000 Maharishi Vedic Pandits at the Brahmasthan of India in Madhyapradesh (goal is 8,000 and double of that) and several small groups all over the subcontinent and also a group of about 1,200 in Iowa, USA. This approach is being applied in Nepal as well for reviving its own Vedic Tradition.

"Invitation for Action"

Our plans are to support the creation of 4 permanent groups of Maharishi Vedic Pandits who will enjoy the daily experience of pure consciousness, the lively source of Veda, through the practice of TM and the TM-Sidhi Program including Yogic flying, who will do their studies, and who will perform their daily Vedic Yagya performances from that level – growing towards, "Yoga Stha Kuru Karmani", as Bhagavad Gita says.

There will be:

121 Vedic Pandits at Pashupatinath121 Vedic Pandits at Lumbini - birthplace of Lord Buddha121 Vedic Pandits at Janakpur - birthplace of Sita

Additionally we want to have a group of 1000 Yogic Flyers at our own Maharishi Vedic Gurukul Campus to be build according to Maharishi Vastu – 1000 as the super radiance number to create the "Maharishi Effect" for Nepal - with safety factor built in (600 is the number without the safety factor).

Invitation for all to learn Transcendental Meditation

From an article on Gurukul and similar types of educational systems, I picked some beautiful keywords:

"The objective of Gurukul is to protect and promote (Vedic) culture on the basis of world peace and world fraternity, - rejuvenation of spiritualism, - providing education that promotes on moral conscience and builds up character, - develops the mental faculties, - helps to protect our culture, religion and tradition and helps control the negative influence of western culture, (at the same time) gaining quality education as for the demands of modern world."

These are beautiful aspirations, and I hope they will come to their full blossoming. I invite all principals, teachers, parents and students related to the Gurukul system – and also other educational institutions – to learn Transcendental Meditation and make Maharishi's technologies of consciousness part of their curriculum. This will make a great difference as our experience with the Maharishi Schools, Colleges and Maharishi University of Management, etc. have repeatedly shown. Turning within is the turn key operation to unfold the genius of the student and make him a useful member of society.

"Nepal to lead the world" was Maharishi ji's motto. I invite the people of Nepal, to know their own enormously rich culture more deeply, engage in a global dialogue and take a leading role in implementing their own tradition's most profound and scientifically validated approaches of Vedic science.

Westerners have shown keen interest in Nepal's and India's most sophisticated ancient knowledge – now that modern science has prepared the ground to meet their non-dualistic, truly quantum-mechanical world view and draws much profit from this encounter for its own development and maturation.

I personally would like to encourage all people from all countries, cultures and religions to learn Transcendental Meditation and make use of all the beautiful knowledge of Maharishi Vedic Science.

Hopes for a truly prospering global society are being furnished from this coming together of the mentioned two traditions of knowledge and the onset of Satyuga - an era and world of rich and diverse cultures, yet full of mutual understanding, a unified world – has come into reach now. Vasudaivah kutumbakam – the world is my family – the rishis of old declared. It can become again a reality of now.

At last, I would like to thank BRAMHANDIYA DHARMA SABHA (Cosmic Religious Assembly) for inviting Dr. Kingsley Brooks, International Director of Nepal for the Global Country of World Peace and I am very honered to repersend him in this gathering. I am very much confident that this assembly will spread the light of peace in Nepal and the Indian subcontinent as well as throughout the world, and I wish that this assembly will help to revive the Vedic culture in the world, and with the feeling of world brotherhood, it will help to create peace in the world.

Jai Guru Dev