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The ninety-nine yatra will be performed under the guidance of 321 Diksha Danaswari Acharya Bhagwant

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and Shri Punch Parmashati Ratna Narendrabhai Nandu & his team



Yatra Duration November 17th 2013 through January 16th 2014

99 Yatra Starts on Sunday, 17th November 2013 Kartiki Punam

Malaropan & 99 Yatra Celebration on Sat. 28th & Sun. 29th December 2013

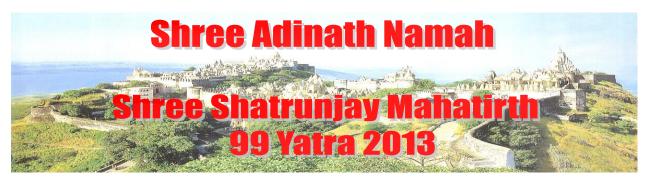
99 Yatra Purnahuti Thuesday 16th January 2014

Estimated Cost: \$1400 per yatri (Food & Lodging Only

with:

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# શત્રુંજયની ૯૯ યાત્રા

ગરવા ગિરિરાજ માટે કહેવું હોય તો શબ્દો પણ ઓછા પડે અને આપણું આયુષ્ય પણ ખુટી જાય. જેના કણકણ પ્રદેશ પરથી અનંતા આત્માઓ મોક્ષે ગયા છે. સંસારીઓને સિદ્ધ બનવાનું આફવાન તો આપે છે સાથે સાથે આલંબન પણ આપે છે. અલબેલા આદેશ્વરદાદા મુળનાયક તરીકે બિરાજે છે.

ગિરિરાજના અણુએ અણુએ આત્માના ઐશ્વર્યના અનાફત નાદ ગુંજી રહ્યા છે. લાખો યાત્રાળુઓ પ્રતિ વર્ષે યાત્રા કરવા પધારે છે. અન્ય તીર્થોની યાત્રા કરતાં શત્રુંજયની યાત્રાનું પુષ્ય અધીક છે. અન્ય તીર્થોમાં એક કરોડ મનુષ્યોને ભોજન કરાવવાથી જે લાભ મળે છે તેટલો લાભ શત્રુંજય તીર્થમાં એક ઉપવાસ કરવાથી પ્રાપ્ત થાય છે.

આ તીર્થનું ધ્યાન ધરવાથી ૧૦૦૦ પલ્ચોપમ જેટલાં પાપ કર્મો નાશ પામે છે. સવારે ઊઠીને સ્તૃતિ કરવાથી સર્વ પાપોનો નાશ થાય છે. તીર્થંકર પરમાત્માંની ચેતના જ્યાં નિરંતર વફે છે, એમની ઉર્જા ચારેય બાજુ પથરાયેલી છે, તારે તે તીર્થ.

આવા ગરવા ગિરિરાજ પર આદીનાથ ભગવાન પૂર્વ નવ્વાણું વાર આવ્યા હતા. એક પૂર્વ એટલે ૭૦૫૬૦ અબજ. એમની યાદમાં આપણે નવ્વાણું યાત્રા એક વખત આ દુર્લભ એવા માનવજીવનમાં કરવાની છે. આ યાત્રા કરીને આપણા આત્માને કર્મના ભારથી ફળવો કરી મુક્ત કરવાનો છે.

ધર્મનાં ૧૫ ક્ષેત્ર છે (૫ ભરત, ૫ ઐરાવત, ૫ મહાવિદેહ) એમાં આપણે ભરતક્ષેત્રમાં છીએ જે જંબુદ્રીપમાં છે અને શત્રુંજય તીર્થ આપણને મળ્યું છે જે બાકીના ૧૪ ક્ષેત્રોમાં નથી. આમ આપણે અન્ય ક્ષેત્રનાં માનવીઓ કરતાં વધારે પુષ્યશાળી છીએ. સર્વ તીર્થોની યાત્રા કરવાથી જેટલું પુષ્ય મળે તેટલુંજ પુષ્ય માત્ર શત્રુંજયની સ્પર્શના કરવાથી મળે છે.

સીમંધરસ્વામી પોતાની દેશનામાં આ તીર્થનાં ખુબ વખાણ કરે છે. તો ચાલો એક વાર બે મહિના ત્યાં રફીને આ તીર્થની સ્પર્શના કરીચે.

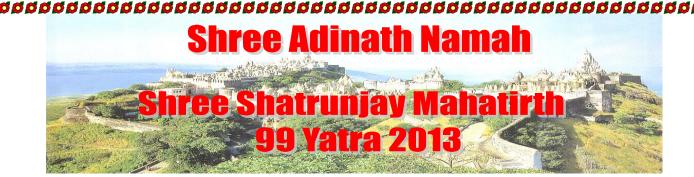
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# Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra 2013 Tri Lok Darshan & Nitya Chandra Darshan, Dharmashalas Entrance to Nitya Chandra Darshan Requirements (November 17th, 2013 – January 16th, 2014) 1. Yatris are required to complete 2 daily yatra trips. a. Yatris can use dolf two make daily yatra trips. b. If Yatris cannot climb the mountain then they can complete a yatra at Talett. 2. Yatris have to complete Chowihar and Navkarshi for all 60 days. a. Yatris will receive blessings from Archarya Bhagwant. 3. Yatris will receive blessings from Archarya Bhagwant. 4. Yatris are required to stay a maximum of two people per room. 5. Jiv Daya and other donations will be organized by the planning committee. Please plan accordingly so you don't miss this wonderful and auspicious opportunity By: Narendrabhai Nandu By: Narendrabhai Nandu By: Narendrabhai Nandu By: Narendrabhai Nandu By: Narendrabhai Nandu









# 2013 JAINA 99 YATRA SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

# **Description of Sponsorship Benefits**

The Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra in 2013 will not be successful without the support of sponsors. Therefore, we have created the following sponsorship categories to hopefully create the incentive for you to donate to a very memorable, exciting, and auspicious event. Below is a list of possible sponsorship categories, however, donations will be accepted in any amount.

# Maha Sanghpati - \$25,001 [Five Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors' names will be prominently displayed in the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra invitation card that will be sent to all North American Jain Centers.
- A photo of two family members will be displayed at the entrance of Dharmashala for the duration of the yatra.

- Sponsors' names and photos will be displayed in commemorative souvenir booklet.
- Sponsors will be the first ones to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will wear a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all vatris during a celebration in December.
- Sponsors will receive a <u>plaque</u> will be given in appreciation for support provided for the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra event.

# Corporate Sponsor - \$15,001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.
- Sponsors will receive a full page color advertisement in the commemorative souvenir booklet.
- Sponsors will receive a <u>plaque</u> will be given recognizing the sponsor for its generosity and support of the event.
- Sponsors will be able to display a 3 x 2 banner of their corporation or business in the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Temple office.

# Platinum - \$11.001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors will be recognized as a <u>Support Sanghpati</u>.
- Sponsors' names will be displayed at the upashraya hall entrance.
- Sponsors' names and photographs will be printed in commemorative souvenir booklet.
- Sponsors will receive the second opportunity to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will receive a **plaque** will be given recognizing the sponsor for its generosity and support of the event.
- Sponsors will be given a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.



# Gold - \$7,501 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors' names will be displayed at Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Office for the duration of the auspicious event.
- Sponsors' names and photos will be printed in commemorative souvenir book.
- Sponsors will receive a plaque will be given recognizing the sponsor for its generosity and support of
- Sponsors will receive the third opportunity to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will be given a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.

# Silver - \$ 5,001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors' names will be displayed at Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Office for the duration of the auspicious event.
- Sponsors' names and photos will be printed in commemorative souvenir book.
- Sponsors will receive the fourth opportunity to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will receive a plaque will be given recognizing the sponsor for its generosity and support of the event.
- Sponsors will be given a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.

# **Bronze - \$2,501** [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

- Sponsors' names will be displayed at Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Office for the duration of the auspicious event.
- Sponsors' names and photos will be printed in commemorative souvenir book.
- Sponsors will receive the fifth opportunity to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will be given a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.

Daily Sponsorship- \$1,001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate] Sponsors' names will be displayed on the notice board of the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Office.

- Sponsors' names will be printed in commemorative souvenir book.
- Sponsors will receive recognition will be given daily during bhavna.

If you would like to be a sponsor for this auspicious event, please do not hesitate to contact Arvind R. Shah.

**Contact: Arvind R. Shah (Detroit)** 

Phone: (248)-828-1736 (H) (248)-835-7395 (C)

Email: ashah\_1941@yahoo.com

# Shree Adinath Namah Sires Shatrunjay Maliatirui 2013 (1) (2) (3) (4) (4) (4) (5) (5) (5) (6) (6) (7) (7) (8) (8) (8) (8) (9) (9) (10) (9) (10)

# **Shree Adinath Namah hree Shatrunjay Maha**

Dear Yatris.

Thank you for showing interest in this once in a lifetime event. This Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra will begin on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and finishes on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Along with this spectacular event we would also like to announce that there will be Mala Ropan celebration. The dates for this Mala Ropan Celebration are December 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Also, within this letter you will find some very important information regarding this Yatra event and also you will find some rules and regulations that you will be expected to follow.

Please fill out your registration form and waiver & release of liability form with your check of \$1,400.00 per person. Make the check payable to: JAINA YATRA 2013-USA. Please mail this to the following address:

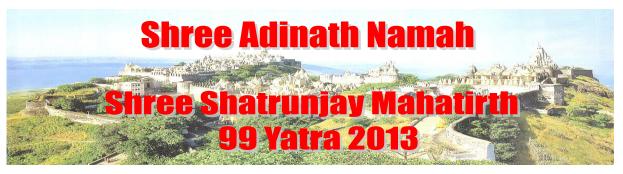
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6738 Woodcrest Dr.

Troy, MI 48098

2. Yatris must provide three passport photos with your name and address on the back for security purposes.

- 3. Update your passport or visa well ahead of time of the actual 99 Yatra event.
- While performing the 99 Yatra make sure you have your photo identification with you at all times. 4. (Passport or O.C.I)
- 5. Please arrive to Palitana one day before the start of Yatra. Also please ensure your travel plans are fixed well in advance of this event.
- Visit your doctor and make sure you are healthy enough to perform this event. Also if there are any 6. medical vaccinations that need to be performed make sure they are done well in advance of the 99 Yatra event.
- 7. Also included with this informational packet there is a list of items that will be needed for this trip. Make sure you bring those items with as they will not be provided for you.
- 8. The items that you should not include are your passport, domestic or international air tickets, travelers check, money, luggage keys, and prescription medicine required while traveling.
- 9. Make sure your name and address is on all of your pieces of luggage.
- 10. Make copies of your valuable and important documents. Also keep these copies at your home.
- 11. JAINA or 99 Yatra committee will not be held responsible for your jewelry, cash, passport, cameras, laptops phone etc.
- 12. It will be your responsibility to convert foreign currency to Indian rupees s for your use.
- 13. All Yatris must follow the dharmashala rules and regulations that will be discussed on the first day of the Yatra event.



# GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PAUTANA

Palitana is a sacred city of Jains and is located about 215 km from Ahmedabad and 51 km southwest of Bhavnagar. It was the capital of a small princely state founded by Shahji, a Gohel Rajput who belonged to the same clan as the Maharaja of Bhavnagar. Palitana is situated at an altitude of 182 meters and covers an area of 13 square km. Palitana is one of Jainism's holiest pilgrimage sites and a gateway to the Shatrunjay Hill. The Shatrunjay Hill is located at a height of 591 metres. The Shatrunjay Temple is the most sacred temple of the Jains and one of the largest of its kind in India. One has to climb up the hill for about 4 kms (600 meters) on a stepped path to Shatrunjay (place of victory over worldliness). There are about 863 white marble Jain temples, built over 900 years on the hilltop, each with its own enclosure.

# HOW TO REACH PALITANA

# By Air:

The nearest airport is located at Bhavnagar, about 56 kms from Palitana and has daily flights with Mumbai.

# By Rail:

Palitana is on the meter gauge of the Western Railway and has a connection only with Bhavnagar. The nearest railway station connected with all parts of India is Ahmedabad.

# By Road:

Palitana is connected by good motorable roads with Bhavnagar, Junagadh, Ahmedabad, Porbandar, Dwaraka, Gandhidham, Mumbai and Delhi.

\*DUE TO THE HEAVY TOURISM IN PALITANA DURING THIS TIME WE REQUEST ALL YATRIS TO RESERVE THEIR TRAVEL PLANS WELL IN ADVANCE. THANK YOU!



Finalized Dates: November 17, 2013 – January 16, 2014

Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra 2013

Registration Deadline: September 30th, 2013

# **Registration Form**

(We can only accommodate a **MAXIMUM** of 200 people.)

Please mail completed form with a check for \$1400 per yatri (Made payable to: JAINA 99 Yatra 2013 USA) to

Arvind R. Shah, 6738 Woodcrest Drive, Troy, MI 48098

To provide proper accommodations and arrangements JAINA has to provide a substantial deposit to the facilities in Palitana. Therefore, we need your payment, in advance of the actual travel date.

Yatri's Name			<u>Age</u>	Interested in Sponsorsl	hip:
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June 1, 2013

# WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABII

Dear Yatris,

In consideration of being allowed to attend the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth- 99 Yatra in 2013 related events, activities, and programs, I acknowledge and agree that:

- 1. I, and the participants I am registering, will refrain from indiscreet, inappropriate, or destructive behavior which would detract from the positive image of Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth- 99 Yatra in 2013. I understand that failure to comply may result in exclusion from further participation in the event; and/or disciplinary actions as determined by the 99 Yatra 2013 Project Committee.
- 2. I accept full responsibility for the actions of all participants I am registering for the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth-99 Yatra event in 2013 related events, activities, and programs.

I, for myself, all participants I am registering, and on behalf of my and their families, heirs and assigns, do hereby covenant not to sue the JAINA & Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Project Committee, and do hereby waive any claim against the 99 Yatra Project Committee, and release and discharge 99 Yatra Project Committee, its officers, agents, volunteers, employees, and sponsors from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, losses or damages on account of any discipline imposed for failure to comply with the Guidelines, and on account of any injury, including death and damage to property, whether caused by negligence or otherwise. I also give my authority and permission to the 99 Yatra Project Committee for taking any and all actions, which it seems necessary in the event of injury and/or damage to persons or property in my accomplishment. I permit the 99 Yatra Committee to use any of the information pertaining to my attendance, and the attendance of all participants I am registering, for its use, publication, and desire. I acknowledge that the 99 Yatra Project Committee or the Dharmashala does not maintain insurance covering my person, property, or liability, or the person, property or liability of participants I am registering, in regards to the 99 Yatra event. It is my sole responsibility to obtain any and all insurance covering losses incurred by me and participants I am registering while present at the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth-99 Yatra in 2013.

I have read a	and fully unde	erstood the t	erms of this	liability release
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Participants Signature & Date Signed:	
Participants Name (Print):	



# **SHATRUNJAY 99 YATRA 2013 EVENT: NECESSARY ITEMS**

**SHATRUNJAY BOOK** PANCH PRATIKRAMAN BOOK **9-21-108 KHAMASANA BOOK** SUDHARUS STAVAN BOOK **PUJA RUMAL CHARAVALO KATASANU STHAPANAJI** 

SAPADO -NAVKARVALI **MINIMUM FIVE PUJA CLOTHES BATVO (WITH FIVE COMPARTMENT)** 

**SMALL POUCH SAMAYIK CLOTHES NOTEBOOK OR PAPER PENCILS OR PENS SCOTCH TAPE ENVELOPES** 

**NAVKAR COUNTER READING GLASSES** TROUSERS AND TOPS PANTS, SHIRTS AND THERMAL

SARI- CHUDIDAR **PAJAMAS** 

> **UNDER GARMENTS** 2 SWEATERs (2)

2 SHAWLS

**LIGHT JACKET WITH HOOD** SCARF, CAP, AND HATS **2 LIGHT TOWELS** 

4 - 6 NAPKINS FOR DISH/ HANDWASH **BED SHEETS AND PILLOW COVER (2) SMALL BAGS WITH ZIPPER (4) HANDKERCHIEF** 

**COLORED GLOVES AND SOCKS PASSPORT SIZE PHOTO (3)** SHOULDER BAG

**CANVAS SHOES SLIPPERS OR CHAMPALS** PLASTIC BAGS (10 to 15) PLASTIC BOX (3 To 4)

SOAP DISH (2) **DRINKING GLASS (2) COTTON BALLS FLASHLIGHT** CANDLE

**MATCH BOX** THREAD AND NEEDLE **SCISSORS** 

**RUBBER HOT WATER BAG. HEATING PAD** 

> WATER STRAINER ALARM CLOCK **ZIPLOCK BAGS**

AIR FRESHNERS

**2 COMBINATION LOCKS** 

LOCK AND KEY **POWDER** 

LOTION **SHAMPOO** 

4 TO 5 COMBS

STRING FOR DRYING CLOTH HANGERS AND CLIPS.

> **OLD CLOTHES TOOTHPASTE**

**TOOTHBRUSH** 

**TONGUE SCRAPPER** 

**DENTAL FLOSS** 

**Q-TIPS** 

**NEELGIRI OIL** 

**MUKHVAS CHURAN GOLI** 

**SUDERSHAN GOLI** 

**BAKING SODA GINGER POWDER** 

**KESHAR BARAS** 

**ALMONDS** 

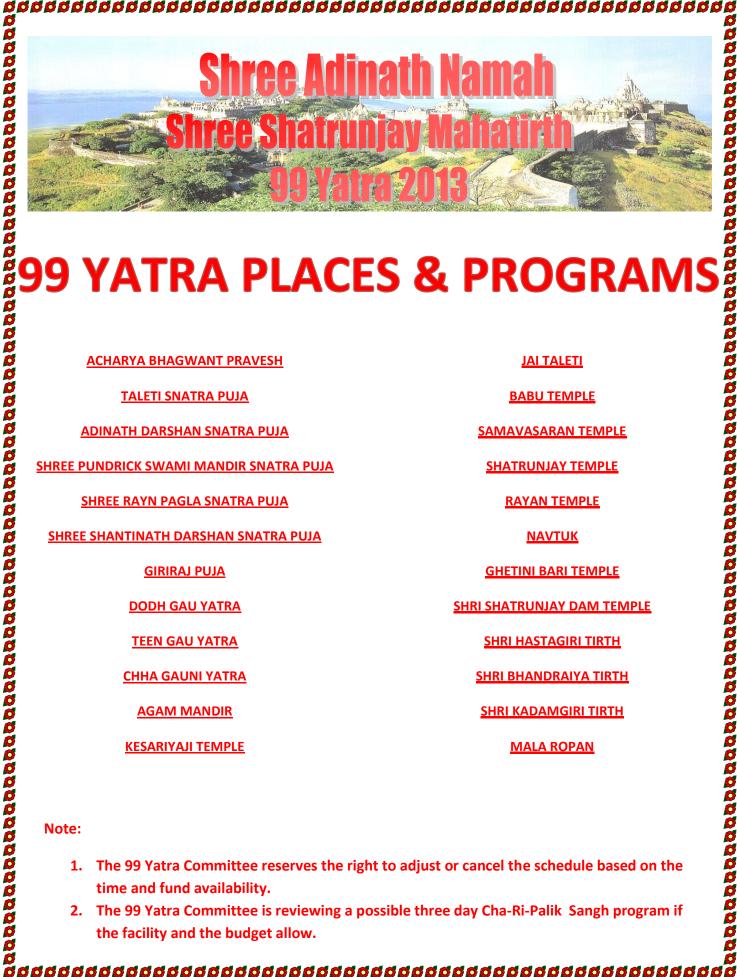
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**INDIAN CELLULAR PHONE NEW CALENDAR** 

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# 99 YATRA PLACES & PROGRAMS

**ACHARYA BHAGWANT PRAVESH** 

**TALETI SNATRA PUJA** 

**ADINATH DARSHAN SNATRA PUJA** 

**SHREE PUNDRICK SWAMI MANDIR SNATRA PUJA** 

**SHREE RAYN PAGLA SNATRA PUJA** 

SHREE SHANTINATH DARSHAN SNATRA PUJA

**GIRIRAJ PUJA** 

**DODH GAU YATRA** 

**TEEN GAU YATRA** 

**CHHA GAUNI YATRA** 

**AGAM MANDIR** 

**KESARIYAJI TEMPLE** 

**JAI TALETI** 

**BABU TEMPLE** 

SAMAVASARAN TEMPLE

**SHATRUNJAY TEMPLE** 

**RAYAN TEMPLE** 

**NAVTUK** 

**GHETINI BARI TEMPLE** 

**SHRI SHATRUNJAY DAM TEMPLE** 

**SHRI HASTAGIRI TIRTH** 

**SHRI BHANDRAIYA TIRTH** 

**SHRI KADAMGIRI TIRTH** 

**MALA ROPAN** 

# Note:

- 1. The 99 Yatra Committee reserves the right to adjust or cancel the schedule based on the time and fund availability.
- 2. The 99 Yatra Committee is reviewing a possible three day Cha-Ri-Palik Sangh program if the facility and the budget allow.



