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AWARENESS TIPS ON ALLROUND BENEFICIAL MASS MARRIAGES

On April-2010 Manoharbai Patel Academy (MPA) has arranged three Mass Marriage programmes at a cost of Rs.5 Crores for 500 couples. Each couple will get Rs.10,000/-, a colour TV set, almirah, wedding cloth, a set of 21 utensils, ceiling fan, mangal sutra of 2 gram gold, and a 3 day honeymoon trip to Pachmarhi, besides 3 vehicles each will be provided to the bride and groom for travel to and from their house.

Madhya Pradesh State Govt. district administration will conduct mass marriage programme for poor people and provide them Rs.6500/- wedding gift apart from free marriage.

On 20.08.2010, 320 mass marriages taken place at BDA ground Bellary at Hatkoti Temple, 100 Km (68 miles) North of the State Capital similar mass marriages are conducted.

Nishkamseva ashram, Daud Village, Pakhowal Road, (Near Indhiyana) in Punjab conducted 15 mass marriages on 25.02.2008. On 17.2.10, 1251 couples tied their nuptial knot in marriage in Gwalior Sri Achaleswar Mahadev Sarvajanic Nyas – a temple trust organized the mass marriage from all casts. (Mahesh Mudgat – President of the trust). Trust also distributes free utensils, cupboards, blankets and other clothes to the newly married.

On 7.8.2010: At Bellary in Sullia taluk of Dakshina Kannada Dist. the 30 Muslim couple will knot at par their religious custom in the first every such Muslims mass marriage in the country. Each bride will be given 64 grams of gold and each couple was given Rs.26, 000/- for their honeymoon.

On 4.4.2004 had organized mass marriage for 16 girls belonging to the economically weaker sections Seva bharti has been organizing such functions every year for the last several years. The poori Mandal and Rama Krishan Param mandal of Sevabharti also organized similar functions and performed wedding of 7 girls.

On 5.2.2010 guruji Pranami Mission Trust based at Siliguri had organized a mass marriage ceremony for 34 couple.

The Muslim shah community organized a mass marriage ceremony called 'Izatamai Shaadi". On 5.5.2005 at Jaipur Rajasthan and fifty six couples took their vows during the mass ceremony. The organizers chare only Rs.10,000/- for one marriage. But they also give a sum of Rs.8,000/- and some ornaments to each couple. They conduct marriages periodically. Mr. Shantilal Mutha initiated mass marriages for Jain community by arranging marriages for poor, middle and rich people under one pandal so that poor people would consider mass marriages are respectable and mainly acceptable. When his initial effort of 25 mass was a grand success on 25.5.1986, he started organize mass marriages to take shape at grass root level i.e., organized mass marriages at district town for Jain communities at Ahmednagar, Jalgaun, Dhule and Amaravati like in the Jain community, mass marriages steadily taken place in the Agrawal, Maheswari, Teli, Tamboli, Shimpi and Koli communities and Sikh community at Nanded. Jain community in Maharashtra has a policy to conduct four mass marriages per year and minimum one mass marriage by Head Office on Vasant Panchami. Shantilal Mutha – from Jain community of Pune – even arranged Vadhu Var Sammelan as an advanced step for easy solution of "Life Partners" for Jain Community on 17.8.1986 – a gathering for eligible brides and bridegrooms along with their parents.

On 11.8.2009 – Pakistan Hindu Council situated at Karachi arranged a mass marriage ceremony in which 45 Hindu Couple were married.

On 7.8.2010 – 30 couple belonging to different faith entered into wedlock in an all religion mass marriage programme organized by R.M. Group, Bangalore, at RM Auditorium, Bellary.

Why so many people, so many organizations, taken pain, spend huge money and organized mass marriages? It is because; there have unlimited advantages for families, society and the country.

FREE SWAYAMVARAM : In case of Community based mass marriages, some organizers are more kind enough to arrange free swayamvaram – i.e., arranging a stage to choose suitable life partner from a group of brides and grooms in the presence of their elders / parents.

MASS MARRIAGES ARE ECONOMICAL: In many cases mass marriages are absolutely free, as the organizations themselves raise donations from the community or society. They arrange free mangala sutram, wedding clothes for couple, garlands, and ceremony required materials and food for all relatives without any strain or expenditure. In few cases communities organized mass wedding organizers may charge just a nominal fee.

TROUBLE FREE INVITATION : In community organized mass marriages, they themselves print marriage invitations along with all the couple going to be solemnized at the mass marriage, free pickup and drop transport for groom and bride houses will be arranged. Some organization arrange vehicles separately for bride and groom families exclusively at their disposal.

FREE MARRIAGE PANDAL AND DECORATION: For mass marriages the organizers themselves will take the responsibilities of arranging marriage pandal, sitting and decoration arrangements.

Here they bear the cost of all expenditures like stay, stage arrangements and food etc.

FREE GIFTS: Many mass marriage organizers are gifting many free gifts to the newly married couple to start their family life such as utensils, TV, Fan, etc.

CASH ASSISTANCE: To encourage mass marriages concept few organizers, few state government authorities will provide big cash assistance also to facilitate to set up the new family.

FREE HONEYMOON TRIP: Since most of the couple get married under mass marriages can't even imagine of honey moon trips, few organizers are kind enough to provide cash assistance for the couple for their ever memorable honeymoon.

HUGE GATHERING: If a poor family arranges a marriage of their daughter, the wedding gathering will be very less. Where as in a mass marriage ceremony gathering itself will be IN thousands.

MASS MARRIAGES ARE RESPECTABLE: It was wrong opinion that few people use to believe that getting married their children in mass marriage ceremonies was not respected. In fact mass marriages are a mark of great respect as the poor, middle class, rich people all are solemnizing the marriage under the same pandal. With a huge gathering and especially in the presence of few celebrities in few occasions.

MASS MARRIAGES ENHANCES THE UNITY: Mass marriages actually enhances the meaning of equality, strengthen of unity, and enhances friendship among the society.

NATIONAL INTEGRATION: Since some organizers arrange even different religion marriages at the same time mass marriages will help to strengthen badly needed national integration, unity, love and understanding.

SAVES FROM FINANCIAL TRAPS: Mass marriages are really society, savior. They protect the poor parents from huge debts, traps forcing them to take loans at high interest rate which they can never pay back and ultimately they loose their land, house, cattle, tractor, crop yield etc.

MASS MARRIAGES ARE CONVENIENT: Many organizations arranges mass marriages periodically, some organizations arrange quarterly, some half yearly and some annually. Interested couples to tie the knot are supposed to register their name well in advance with the respective organizations as per their convenient batch.

GREAT SAVINGS TO THE FAMILIES: In case where few community organizers organize bride and groom Milan (Swayamvaram) both the families save lot of time, leave or loss of work, traveling time, strain, huge expenditure and frustration etc. Even bride and groom's parents save lots of loss of time/leave, strain and production. Since all most all the organizers arrange mass marriages on a community festival day or national holiday marrying couple, their relatives and invited guests all can attend the marriage without leave or loss of production.

LOTS OF POWER SAVING: Instead of lavishly illuminating marriage hall/pandal for each couple, for huge number of mass marriages only one community pandal is decorated thousands of watts of power is saved.

SECURED MARRIAGES: Most of the marriages are not registered after marriage due to lack of awareness, lack of time, to avoid effort, strain, and expenditure, due to registrar office located at a distance or not knowing the importance of marriage registration. Whereas some mass marriages organizers they themselves will arrange for marriage registration of the couple immediately after the marriage ceremony.

SUPPORT AFTER MARRIAGE: Usually newly married couple in poor families will have several disputes which may harm their relationship and raise disputes which will lead for separation. Few couples particularly illiterate, lacking in understanding or adamant etc. will not

even listen to their parents or relatives. In such cases mass marriage organizers will play an important role in easily settling their disputes, as the marriage organizers are respectable leaders and they also have their responsibility in settling the disputes of the couple married under their supervision.

NATIONS ECONOMY: Since such a huge number of couple is getting married at a time with least strain, effort, time saving, prevention from loss of production, electricity and food economy, they are not only direct benefits and savings for the couple's families but also huge economical benefit to the nation as well.

Such mass marriages are not only beneficial to the families of marrying couples as well as to the nation, they are not only praise worthy, but also inspiring to all others. For any good cause only initiative is necessary, the rest of the things the noble cause itself looks after. It is a great opportunity to every noble serving soul to take just initiative. As per your interest and determination you can initiate. (1) To print community brides and grooms details in a periodical small booklet quarterly, half yearly or yearly. (2) To organize brides and grooms get together once in quarterly, half yearly or yearly. (3) Arrange all round noble, beneficial, praise worthy ever memorable small mass marriages. By arranging any one or all the three services you become the ever memorable respectable local reformer and many lives savior.

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