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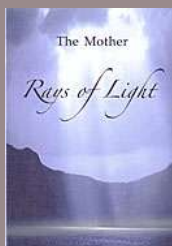
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## PONDERING

Even though an increase in knowledge may bring an added power, it does not follow at all that humanity will be automatically bettered. Scientific progress does not necessarily imply moral progress. Scientific and intellectual knowledge is powerless to change human nature, and yet that has become the pressing need. If human greed and passion remain what they are today, almost the same as they were in the Stone Age, then humanity is doomed. We have reached a point where, unless there is a rapid and radical moral change, mankind will destroy itself with the power it has in its own hands.

*The Mother, The Scientist, The Great Secret, On Education*  
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## MAN'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DIVINE

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On the physical plane the Divine expresses himself through beauty, on the mental plane through knowledge, on the vital plane through power and on the psychic plane through love.

When we rise high enough, we discover that these four aspects unite with each other in a single consciousness, full of love, luminous, powerful, beautiful, containing all, pervading all.

It is only to satisfy the universal play that this consciousness divides itself into several lines or aspects of manifestation.

★

There is no end to the wonders of the universe.

The more we get free from the limits of our small ego the more these wonders disclose themselves to us.

★

O, to see no longer the appearances which change incessantly; to contemplate only the Divine's immutable oneness in everything and everywhere!

*29 September 1954*

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Upon the world of illusion, this sombre nightmare, the Divine has bestowed His sublime Reality, and each atom of matter contains something of His Eternity.

*14 November 1954*

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The whole creation speaks of the Divine to him who knows how to hear within his heart.

*8 December 1965*

## THE WAYS OF WORKING OF THE LORD

The Divine's Grace is wonderful and almighty.

And the ways of working of the Lord are full of a delightful sense of humour...

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Be always ready to receive the Divine, for He may visit you at any moment.

And if sometimes He makes you wait at the appointed meeting-place, that is certainly no reason for you yourself to be late.

23 September 1956

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Surely the Divine, like everybody else, has a right to change His mind.

1958

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According to the law of man the guilty ought to be punished. But there is a law more imperative than the human law. It is the Divine law, the law of compassion and mercy.

It is because of this law that the world is able to endure and progress towards Truth and Love.

November 1966

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*Mother,*

*Does the Divine punish injustice? Is it possible at all for Him to punish anybody?*

The Divine does not see things as men do and has no need to punish or reward. Each and every action carries in itself its fruit and its consequences.

According to the nature of the action, it brings you near to the Divine or takes you away from Him, and that is the supreme consequence.

25 July 1970



**Wealth in the Mind of Light**

Open to all higher ideas. - The Mother

*Nymphaea L. Spp., Nymphaeaceae*

Water lily

# NEWS & NOTES GUIDELINES

## DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS:

**TUESDAY 5PM**

The content of News & Notes is a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of Harmony, Goodwill, and Truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.

## RA NEWS & NOTES - A QUICK GUIDE



### What We Publish

- Working group announcements and reports
- Residents' voices and personal sharings
- Free cultural events open to all residents
- Information from essential services
- Content that strengthens community-building in Auroville

### Working Groups & Foundation Office Content

- All RA Working Group announcements will be included
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- Direct submissions from Foundation Office groups will be included as regular content

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- Content from "Activities & Events," "Food, Goods & Services," and "Classes, Workshops and Healing Arts" sections

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- It is submitted exclusively to RA News & Notes
- It has significant community benefit
- It aligns with our service-oriented focus

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- Deadline: **Tuesdays at 5pm**
- Email: [newsandnotes@auroville.services](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.services)
- Content must be community-building focused:
  - Open and accessible to all community members
  - Not profit-oriented
  - Contributing to collective growth or well-being
  - Promoting Auroville's ideals and values

- For further information, please [click here](#) 😊 to view our complete FAQ document.
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***We thank you for your collaboration and understanding.***

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## LIST OF ACRONYMS:

- **AVF** (Auroville Foundation),
- **AVFO/FO** (Auroville Foundation Office),
- **GB** (Governing Board),
- **RA** (Residents' Assembly)

The following groups are divided in two categories: The groups selected by the Residents' Assembly through Community decision making Processes and the groups put together by the GB and the FO (*not recognised by the Residents' Assembly*).

### **Working groups selected by the Residents' Assembly:**

- Working Committee (RA WCom)
- Funds and Assets Management Committee (RA FAMC)
- Budget Coordination Committee (RA BCC)
- Town Development Council / L'avenir d'Auroville (RA TDC)
- Auroville Council (AVC)
- Entry Service (ES)

### **GB groups:**

- Working Committee (GB WC)
- Funds and Assets Management Committee (GB FAMC)
- Budget Coordination Committee (GB BCC / GB BCS)
- Auroville Town Development Council (GB ATDC)
- Housing Service (GB HS)
- Land Board (GB LB)





## NOTE FROM THE EDITORS



Dear Community,

**Here is some important information:**

- If you would like to support the RA N&N, please send us an e-mail at [newsandnotes@auroville.services](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.services).
- Content sent through [@auroville.org.in](https://auroville.org.in) mail ID will only reach us if you use this [FORM](#) to submit your content.
- The mail ID to submit content is: [newsandnotes@auroville.services](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.services)
- To request a **PRINTED COPY**, send us your name and community to our email!

**Thank you for your continued support!**

In community,  
*The RA Community Edition News & Notes Team*

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# FROM THE RA NEWS & NOTES TEAM

## IMPORTANT UPDATE ON PRINT EDITION



Dear Community,

**Thank you** for your continued support over these past three years.

The RA News & Notes was born from a need to provide residents and their duly-appointed representatives a space to express themselves beyond arbitrary censorship. While our team has changed several times since then, and none of the original members remain involved, we are proud to have sustained this work and intend to continue as long as it remains necessary and meaningful.

However, we now face a challenge. Due to some constraints, **we may not be able to continue printing the RA News & Notes from January 2026 onwards.**

If you currently receive a print copy and are concerned about this possible discontinuation, please reach out to us at [newsandnotes@auroville.services](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.services). If you would like to support our work, we welcome you to contact us at the same address.

The online version will keep being published. You can find all issues here: [www.auroville.media/newsandnotes](http://www.auroville.media/newsandnotes)

At the service of the community,  
*The RA News & Notes team*

## WORKING GROUPS NEWS

### FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE

#### ES # 272 DATED: 01-12-2025

The following people have been recommended by the Entry Board to join our community. Please share your feedback within 2 weeks for potential Newcomers, Associates and Friends of Auroville and within 4 weeks for Potential Aurovilians, Returning Aurovilians, Youth and Spouse/Partner of an Aurovilian in writing at [auroville.entryservice@gmail.com](mailto:auroville.entryservice@gmail.com).

For your information, when a process is rescinded it is because the Newcomer has not met the criteria, such as working in Auroville, living in Auroville, contribution, etc.

*We thank you in advance.*

**The Admission Committee** aka **the Entry Board of the Residents Assembly**, under section 19 of the Auroville Foundation Act

(Amy B., Fabienne, Grace, Mirco, Vadivel)

## **AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED**

- Nethya SRINIVASAN (Indian)

## **NEWCOMER PROCESS RESCINDED**

- Elamkathir K (Indian)
- Gomathi MAGESH (Indian)

### **NOTE:**

- A Newcomer becomes an 'Aurovilian' once his/her name has been confirmed by The Admission Committee (aka the Entry Board) after following due process.
- The date of becoming 'Aurovilian' is the date of confirmation. An Aurovilian confirmed by the Entry Board is eligible to participate in all community decision-making processes.
- The formal administrative step of entering new residents into the Register of Residents (RoR), is done by the Secretary of the Auroville Foundation. For this, a B-Form is filled in and signed by the individual and a meeting with the Secretary is arranged by the Entry Secretariat. However, until such time as the court has made its ruling about Admission and Termination Regulations 2023, the meetings of Confirmed Aurovilians with the Secretary will be pending.



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **COMMUNITY SHARING**

#### **● [UPDATE] PETITION AGAINST THE TERMINATION NOTICE ISSUED TO AN AUROVILIAN – NOVEMBER 2025**

We would like to thank the more than 500 Auroville residents and well-wishers who have signed this petition in support of Arun Ambathy, who received a "termination notice", and in support of the 35+ Aurovilians who have been issued "show-cause notices" by the illegitimately appointed groups of the then Governing Board supported by the Secretary.

If you have not yet signed, please read the petition and show your support for those who have stood at the frontline, courageously requesting respect, dignity, dialogue and transparency in the Auroville Foundation's administrative processes.

<https://forms.gle/9jbkh1F9ttCgjRwg6>



Please help spread the word so that more people become aware of the ongoing situation and recognize the selfless dedication of those working for the community.

In fraternity,

*Concerned Residents of Auroville*



NOTE: Your confidentiality will be maintained. If you already signed, please don't submit your signature again.

If you prefer to submit your signature via email, please send your name, your community name or city/country of residence, your response to the petition, and the title of the petition to: [build.auroville.together@gmail.com](mailto:build.auroville.together@gmail.com)

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## THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER SRI AUROBINDO'S MAHASAMADHI



On this day, the Sri Aurobindo Ashram opens Sri Aurobindo's Room for a Darshan.

- No tokens for entry are required.
- Please join the general queue from 5:00am to 10:00am.
- For seniors or anyone who may require additional physical ease or support, there will be a possibility to visit Sri Aurobindo's Room in the afternoon of the same day, between 3:00pm – 3:30 pm.

## 5.12.2025 THE DAY SRI AUROBINDO LEFT HIS BODY

*"Sri Aurobindo has not left us. Sri Aurobindo is here, as living and as present as ever and it is left to us to realise his work with all the sincerity, eagerness and concentration necessary."*

The Mother, 15.12.1950

### 6:30 - 7 am: Meditation under the Matrimandir Banyan Tree.

- Entrance from the Office Gate, open from 6 am.
- Guests are requested to carry their Aurocard with them.
- Last entry for Aurocard holders at 6:40 am.

## MEDITATIONS AT SUNSET WITH SAVITRI MATRIMANDIR AMPHITHEATRE

From Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December onwards, Meditations at Sunset with Savitri in Matrimandir Amphitheatre will happen on **TUESDAYS** instead of Thursdays.

*Antoine for MM Executives*

# Matrimandir

November 2025

Click [here](#) to read Matrimandir Newsletter for November or scan the QR code.



## NOTES FROM SAIER: AN EMERGING PLATFORM



# SAIER

### ***Reflections from collective readings***

*For the past month SAIER has been organising collective reading of Mother's On Education, on Saturday afternoons. You will find below notes and reflections which emerged from these readings and conversations:*

The last two weeks were spent exploring the domain of Vital Education, the seat of enthusiasm, power, and enjoyment. We noted that although remarkable progress has been made in the mind and in technology throughout human history, the vital being has remained more or less the same, facing similar difficulties whenever we try to enlist its collaboration in the realization of our ideals.

The higher vital can aspire to what is beautiful and true, but it must be educated. Contact with beauty, heroism, or anything truly inspiring has a refining and ennobling action on it, kindling the aspiration to progress.

The search for satisfaction and pleasure is another area where it becomes possible to show that renouncing an immediate gratification can open the way to a greater, higher-quality satisfaction. These experiences have a real educative effect and allow us to avoid mere lecturing, which seldom works.

The teacher must of course work on their own vital; otherwise, they are not credible. It is always what we are that has the true impact, not what we say.

Rules can be used when they are clearly perceived as serving the shared aim of progress; and the best way to have them accepted is often to involve the children in formulating them.

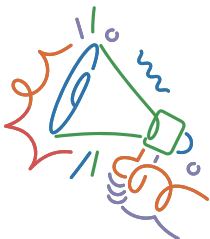
If we can obtain the joyful collaboration of the vital, we may find the way indicated by the Mother when she said: "It is the experience of life itself that must slowly work out rules as supple and vast as possible, so that they may always remain progressive."

*From the start of December we will continue this exploration with 5 short chapters from The Synthesis of Yoga: "Introduction: The Conditions of the Synthesis"*

*These constitute a summary argument on why Sri Aurobindo finds it necessary to create a synthesis of yoga, on a new basis, which he will go on to present in the next 4 books. The first 3 books are built upon the trimarga of the Bhagavad Gita. The last, The Yoga of Self Perfection, is his own 'new' process! 'New' because the aim is transformation and not a withdrawal from life.*

Jean-Yves,  
For SAIER

## RESIDENTS SPEAK



### A MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

I had a bike accident near Solar Kitchen, and a fracture suddenly left me unable to stand. I was incredibly fortunate that fellow Aurovilians immediately came to my aid—Rotem first, and then Afsaneh, who brought me to our office. As if guided by a higher power, Arielle arrived at exactly that moment. She took me to Sai Krupa and helped organise everything that was needed.

Through her, AVHS arranged caregivers to stay with me in the hospital for two nights. After the surgery, she also coordinated a convalescent room in Arka, which has been amazing. It took me a little time to process that I would not be able to return home for many weeks, but everything necessary for recovery appeared—a walker, a wheelchair, night caregivers, and so much loving support.

Friends brought me essential belongings and helped with shopping, and soon I even had a small kitchenette set up. While the fracture was unfortunate, the help, care, and compassion I received have been truly extraordinary. I'm filled with gratitude for the incredible services Auroville offers.

My sincere thanks to the AVHS team, the Arka team, SHARAN office staff, and my dear friends—Girvani, Rochna, Afsaneh, Dr. Sonia, Shalu, Deepika, Rohit, and many others who supported me and offered help through this challenging time.

Thank you, from my heart.

*Nandita, Quiet*



### ABOUT THE AUROVILLE COUNCIL

The Auroville Council is continuing its work and will achieve its original purpose, as recommended by the previous Chairman, Sri Kireet Joshi.

Below is a selection of extracts from Kireet Joshi's 2003 talk on the Auroville Council.

*Claudine, Auroville Council, ex-member*

#### **AUROVILLE SELF GOVERNANCE - Talk by Sri Kireet JOSHI - 19 July 2003**

Extracts:

“ ... The word "self governance" is very dear to residents of Auroville, as it must be.

“ ... We have to study quite in detail and we have to study everything The Mother has said about this.

“ ... My second suggestion is that you should involve everybody, and there should be a decision taken by everybody that we are a collective.

“ ... The third step, I would suggest is that this **Auroville Council**

which has been constituted according to me very wisely—wisely because it was made by the will of the people of Auroville by suggesting one or two names whom they trusted most—so let us say, according to Auroville, the present members of the **Auroville Council** they are there as trustees, not as a public trust management committee, they are upholders of the trust of the people of Auroville. It's a sacredness.

“ ... So, consensus on the part of the members of the **Auroville Council**—this can be modified according to the circumstances—, a body of three persons as umpires, a study group, and discussions of parties who are not happy. And the task of the **Auroville Council** should be to see that good will is spread, harmony is spread, discipline is obtained.

“ ... According to me, if you put all this together, these elements and the parties in question which are in conflict and have dialog, real dialog at different stages, I personally feel a solution will emerge... and if everybody prays to the Divine: "We want to follow only the Divine's decision, not our decision".

## WHEN PUBLIC LAND MEETS PRIVATE INTERESTS

### Summary:

Over the past five years, the Auroville Foundation’s Governing Board and Secretary have carried out a series of land exchanges to consolidate land within the Master Plan area. However, the processes behind these exchanges have not been clearly documented, raising understandable questions about legality, fairness, transparency, and whether principles of natural justice have been followed.

This essay explores whether the Governing Board and Secretary, **both appointed by the Central Government**, should be regarded as public authorities obligated to follow structured procedures under laws such as the RFCTLARR Act, 2013, when acquiring or exchanging land, or whether they may act more like private landowners. It also examines what “public purpose” means in the specific context of the Auroville Foundation Act, particularly when decisions affect residents’ homes, stability, and long-term contribution.

A key concern addressed is the practice of granting or exchanging Auroville Foundation land to compensate private landowners, which appears to fall outside established statutory processes and may not reflect a clearly stated public purpose. These transactions also risk displacing long-standing residents without adequate notice, explanation, or alternatives, raising serious issues of natural justice.

Grounded in documents, statutory provisions, and publicly available information, the analysis highlights residents’ basic expectations: to be informed, to be heard, to be treated consistently, and to receive reasoned decisions, especially when their homes or livelihoods are affected. It suggests that, as a community founded on transparency and shared purpose, Auroville should reasonably expect processes that uphold both the spirit of the Charter and the legal responsibilities of the Governing Board and the Secretary.

Ultimately, this essay is an invitation for clarity and verification. It asks whether current practices align with statutory obligations, public purpose, and the fairness needed for Auroville to evolve “without spokes in the wheel”. While centred on land, the concerns reflect broader themes of governance, communication, economy, community processes and structures etc. all rooted in the shared aspiration that Auroville’s development be both lawful and faithful to its founding vision.

## Introduction

Over the past five years, the Governing Board and Secretary have been exchanging Auroville Foundation land to consolidate city land within the Master Plan area, aiming to build the city of the future. However, it has not been clear which process they have followed for this consolidation.

I have personally been researching and reflecting on this topic from a spiritual perspective, exploring possible out-of-the-box solutions. A related article I wrote, *“On land consolidation within the master plan area, an appeal to divinity beyond opinion,”* was published last year in *News and Notes (N°1046)*.

While those ideas were inspirational, an observation privately shared with me by other residents, I felt they did not have a reflective impact, as they were not pragmatic enough to address the immediate problem: arbitrary and unilateral decisions by the then Governing Board and Secretary. Consequently, I turned my attention to the legal system to seek clarity and out-of-the-box solutions.

With that in mind, I sought to understand how land acquisition and land exchange actually work when a government body, or a statutory body created by Parliament such as the Auroville Foundation, is involved. This was not a new area for me, as during my tenure as a member of the Working Committee selected by the Residents’ Assembly (2014-2019), I have enthusiastically explored several questions that naturally emerged about what is lawful, appropriate, and fair.

**Questions considered:** Should the Auroville Foundation’s Governing Board and Secretary, both appointed by the Central Government, be seen as functioning in a governmental capacity when acquiring or disposing of land, or could they act as private landowners?

**Answer:** Very likely, yes. The Governing Board and Secretary are treated as public authorities because they are appointed by the government.

**Further question considered:** More recently I have wondered whether they are expected to follow the structured processes outlined by the Indian government in the “Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013” (RFCTLARR Act), for any form of land acquisition or exchange, or can they bypass those protections by framing actions as private negotiations?

**Answer:** No answer yet, but humour me and continue reading.



## Auroville – Private or Public (within the Auroville Foundation Act)

My exploration naturally brought up the question of public purpose. The RFCTLARR Act, and all land-related decisions by public authorities, rest on the idea that actions must serve a genuine public interest.

In Indian law, “public purpose” is not casual. It justifies the extraordinary power of the State to acquire land. Under the RFCTLARR Act, public purpose must be explicit, documented, and connected to a genuine benefit for the public, not merely the preferences of an authority or the convenience of a project. It requires transparency, necessity, and proportionality.

Moreover, determination of public purpose cannot be one-sided. It must be tested against public consultation, social impact assessment, reasoned decision-making, and fair treatment of affected persons. If those who stand to lose the most, such as those directly affected, are excluded, the claim of public purpose or public interest becomes difficult to sustain.

**Answer:** I concluded that, yes, Auroville Foundation land, within the context of the Auroville Foundation Act, is intended to serve a public purpose. Moreover, within this context, “public” may reasonably be interpreted as referring to the Auroville community, including the Residents’ Assembly, rather than the broader population of India.

Therefore, it is logical to summarise that the Governing Board and Secretary, as public authorities responsible for managing public-interest assets such as Auroville Foundation land, are not above the processes outlined in the RFCTLARR Act. However, under section 46 of the RFCTLARR Act, they have discretion to decide whether an acquisition is compulsory or voluntary, which may allow them to engage in a negotiated arrangement with a private landowner.

### **Governing Board & Secretary’s Modus Operandi so far**

From the land exchanges over the past five years, it is apparent that the Governing Board and Secretary have generally preferred private negotiations rather than compulsory land acquisition. However, when granting land to private owners, they have included existing Auroville Foundation land as part of the compensation. This approach warrants serious attention, as it appears inconsistent with the fiduciary duty of the Governing Board and Secretary to hold land for public purpose, not private.

Let us examine why this is very likely problematic.

### **Private Agreement Compensation**

Unlike voluntary acquisitions under Section 46 of the RFCTLARR Act, the Governing Board cannot simply grant its land to a private party as form of private negotiated compensation without clear statutory authority. The land in question is not simply being acquired from a private owner; rather, it is being compensated by giving away land already held by the Auroville Foundation, whether purchased by the Auroville Foundation, purchased through earmarked private donations, or directly donated to the project for Auroville’s purposes.

Any disposal of such land is effectively a disposal of public property, which is very likely subject to strict statutory and fiduciary limits. Acting outside these limits may render such transactions legally void.

**Public purpose:** Every transfer of Auroville Foundation land must serve a legitimate public purpose or public benefit, rather than private enrichment.

- Philosophically and historically, Auroville was conceived as belonging to “humanity as a whole”, rooted in the Charter and acknowledged in parliamentary debates when the Act was passed.
- Legally, the Act vests control of Auroville’s assets in the Auroville Foundation “for further development of Auroville in accordance with its original Charter”, which connects statutory ownership to the Charter’s ideals, including the universality of Auroville’s belonging.

If the exchange primarily advantages a private individual while displacing long-standing residents, there is a strong argument that the transaction may be contrary to public interest. Courts and oversight authorities typically expect decisions affecting public or quasi-public land to be demonstrably aligned with the entity’s statutory mission, transparent, and justified in writing.

In reality, residents of Auroville have experienced nothing of the sort, when outside private buyers received valuable Auroville Foundation land through negotiated exchanges, while long-standing residents, whose names appear in the statutory Register of Residents, were asked to vacate without adequate notice, explanation, alternatives, or due process.

Since October 2025, the Governing Board has approved, and the Secretary has executed, three land-exchange deeds with private landowners for the stated purpose of consolidating city land.

Across the three 2025 land-exchange deeds, a pattern of inconsistent, irregular, and possibly unlawful valuation practices is emerging.

**Case study, Eternity:** The next proposed exchange concerns Eternity, the place I call home, along with the pioneering family that has faithfully stewarded and afforested this once-barren coastal land for over forty years, raising two generations. On the Friday morning of 14 November, we were called in by the Working Committee recognised by the Governing Board and informed that the Board has unilaterally decided to exchange all 18.5 acres of Eternity. We were told, plainly, that we are required to vacate. Whether or not we agree, it was implied that the decision “will go ahead” and will have to be “enforced”.

Given the manner in which recent land exchanges have taken place, leaving long-standing residents with no real choice, no fair compensation, and no meaningful recourse, this announcement came as a profound shock.

And beyond the likely ecological damage from a possibly illegal exchange of Eternity land, a more fundamental and humane question arises: What about our basic right to natural justice as long-term residents and caretakers of this land?

## **Natural Justice: A Guiding Principle**

When we speak of fairness, it is often easiest to think in terms of natural justice, a principle so simple it feels like common sense, yet powerful enough to guide courts and public authorities across India.

At its core, natural justice asks:

- Have those affected been given a chance to know what is happening?
- Have they been given a chance to speak, raise concerns, or suggest alternatives?

These are not just procedural steps. They reflect a deeper commitment, that decisions affecting homes, livelihoods, or lives should be transparent, reasoned, and respectful.

Under the RFCTLARR Act, Indian citizens are entitled to notice, opportunity to object, consideration of objections, and written reasons for decisions. Even outside this Act, courts consistently emphasise that public authorities cannot act arbitrarily or opaquely when affecting property or residence.

For us in Auroville, natural justice offers a lens to reflect on the present situation:

- Were residents given sufficient notice?
- Were voices and objections genuinely considered before decisions were finalised?
- Are decisions explained clearly, with reasoning grounded in facts and the common good?

These questions are not accusations; they are tools to assess whether the processes being followed uphold fairness. Most residents will answer “no”.

So, here’s a reminder, to fellow residents and authorities:

**Our Rights as Aurovilians:** Residents have the right to be informed, to be heard, and to understand decisions affecting their homes, land, or livelihoods. Changes like relocations, land transfers, or evictions work best when communication is clear, input is welcomed, and actions are fair and consistent. Long-term residents can reasonably expect stability, alternatives, and notice before any disruption.

**Responsibilities of the Governing Board & Secretary:** The Governing Board and Secretary are entrusted with Auroville's land and resources, not as owners, but as caretakers for the community and humanity. Every decision, especially about land, works best when residents are informed, heard, and treated fairly, and when transparency and the Charter's vision guide the way.

Auroville Foundation land and fixed assets are not private property; they carry history, emotion, and responsibility, and ought always to be used with care for the long-term benefit of the community and humanity. Respecting these principles strengthens trust, preserves harmony, and helps Auroville thrive.

## **Closing Reflection**

Reflecting on all of the above, I return to a simple truth, Auroville was founded on the vision that it belongs to humanity as a whole. Parliament acknowledged this when it created the Auroville Foundation and entrusted it with a public responsibility, to hold the land, resources, and future of Auroville in trust for the benefit of the community (the Residents' Assembly) and in alignment with the Charter.

With such a mandate, both the law and the spirit of Auroville expect that decisions touching people's homes, stability, livelihoods, or long-term contribution be carried out with transparency, fairness, and a clearly stated public purpose. Natural justice, the right to know, the right to be heard, and the right to understand decisions, is not a barrier to development. It is what makes development dignified, inclusive, and harmonious.

When authorities uphold these values, confidence grows, trust deepens, and the community can move forward together. When residents see that processes reflect both the law of the land and the values of the Charter, collaboration becomes easier, even in difficult moments.

As a resident, I am not asserting demands; I am voicing a simple, human expectation, that the processes shaping our collective experiment honour the principles India upholds and the universal vision the Mother set forth. The Auroville Foundation's unique mandate naturally calls for decisions that include rather than exclude, protect rather than unsettle, and reflect fiduciary responsibility, thereby strengthening harmony rather than eroding it.

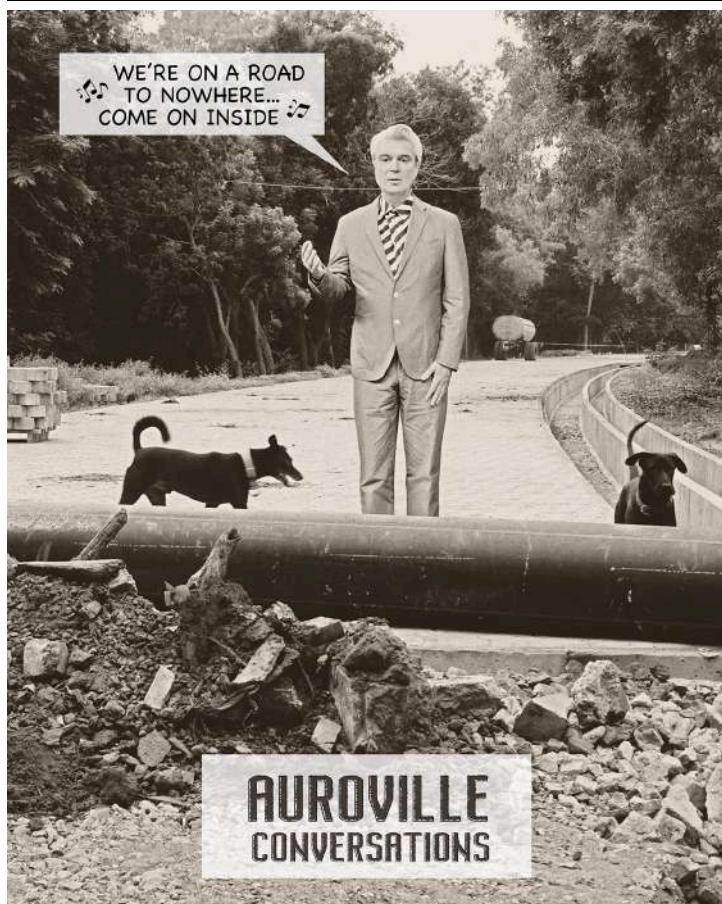
In preparing this analysis, I have relied solely on verifiable facts drawn from publicly obtainable land-exchange documents, registered deeds, and government-recorded valuations. A brief overview is provided here to keep the focus on principles rather than technical detail. For anyone who wishes to review the underlying documents, calculations, or registration records in depth, I am happy to direct them in the right direction.

If any uncertainty remains about whether current practices align with these standards, then let this reflection serve as both an invitation and a gentle call for verification, clarity, and a renewed commitment to our Authority's statutory compliance, Auroville's public purpose within the context of the Auroville Foundation Act, and natural justice. Auroville's future depends not only on the land we build upon but on the integrity of the processes that shape our collective life and future evolution. Restoring alignment with both the law and the spirit of Auroville may be one of the most important steps toward restoring harmony today.





## AUROVILLE CONVERSATIONS



*Submitted by an Aurovillian*

## FRENCH NEWS & NOTES

NOUVELLES D'AUROVILLE

4 Décembre 2025



Auro - Traductions

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to read the **French News&Notes**.



## INNER JOURNEY

### INTRODUCTION TO THE INTEGRAL YOGA OF SRI AUROBINDO AND THE MOTHER

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 9 am - 12 noon**

**Focus: Self-mastery**

Led by Ashesh Joshi

Place: Mirabelle Education Centre, Auromodele

Ph/Whatsapp: 94891 47202 (Please register)

All are Welcome



## SAVITRI SATSANG WITH NARAD

EVERY TUESDAY, 04:30 - 05:15PM

In this deep exploration of Savitri we will study:

1. The mantric basis of Savitri
2. The importance of iambic pentameter in epic poetry
3. The wealth of definitions in Savitri from Sri Aurobindo and Mother
4. Music and alliteration in Savitri
5. Words defined from the 'Lexicon of the Infinite Mind'
6. The Mother's Words on Savitri

**At Savitri Bhavan - Square Hall.**

All are welcome to join.

Narad

## OM CHOIR WITH NARAD

EVERY TUESDAY, 05:30 - 06:15PM

Please join us in this collective aspiration, in the form of united prayer.

No prior singing experience is required.

**At Savitri Bhavan - Square Hall**



## AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

MEDITATIONS AT SUNSET WITH SAVITRI

**Every TUESDAY  
from 5:30 to 6:00pm**

*(weather permitting)*



**Savitri, Sri Aurobindo's long mantric poem, read by Mother to Sunil's music are *on* weekly for everyone to concentrate in this beautiful open space in the very center of Auroville.**

- **Reminder to all:** The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation, and inner work and is to be used only as such. We request everyone: please do not use cameras, tablets, cell phones, etc. No photos.
- **Guests with Aurocard** wishing to attend must book at <https://bit.ly/savitri-reading> one or two days in advance or the very day before 11am. Please bring your Aurocard with you.
- **Access by Office Gate** for the Amphitheatre only from 5:15pm. Guests are requested to bring along their Aurocards. Last entry for guests at 5:30pm. Access limited for guests to the Amphitheatre.
- **Last exit for guests** at 6:15pm.

*Velmurugan for the Access Team*

## VIBRATIONAL SOUND BATH

SOUL NURTURING MEDITATIVE EXPERIENCE WITH THE ORIGINAL RUSSIAN SINGING BELLS

*These are sounds of the Beginning  
These are sounds that cradled the worlds*

Harmonious play of rich powerful tones and strongly resonating overtones invokes a profound state of inner peace, tranquility and self-healing, bringing deep physical and psychological relaxation.

**Open Group - Everyday 3:00 - 4:30pm**

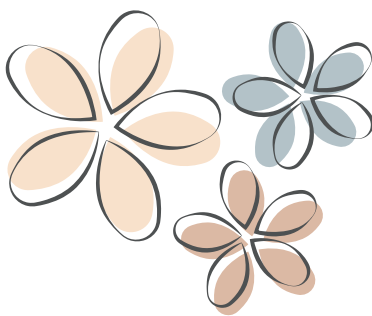
At Mirabelle Education Center, Auromodele,  
Kuyilapalayam

Led by Vera (Instagram - [Vera.Auroville](#)) and Ashesh Joshi

**Please register in advance**

Ph/WhatsApp: +91 94891 47202, +91 94862 47202

(Private sessions on request at other timings)






## TATTVA BODH (WISDOM OF THE DIVINE)

### BOOK READING CIRCLE & MEDITATION MARATHON

Weekly Event. Different Days, Different Authors  
At **Harmony Hall** (*Bharat Niwas*) and Online

It gives me immense joy to finally conceive and put to action, book reading circles with embodiment practices. More sessions per week, more wisdom literature, more meditation tools. Includes *interactive book reading, live sound bath, pranayama, yoga, meditation, wisdom audibles, OM chanting, Perception building through Art, journaling and many more activities*. A high **intense spiritual state** is what we need, without any day off. Otherwise, we are bound to get lost in lower worldly consciousness, and inevitably invite pain in our lives. The daily program was the missing plug, and now it's been found. (*More books will be added in future*).

### Program schedule

MONDAYS 6 PM - 7.30 PM	TUESDAYS 5 PM - 7 PM	THURSDAYS 5 PM - 7 PM	SATURDAYS 5 PM - 6.30 PM	SUNDAYS 5 PM - 6.30 PM
Online Ask for the link	Bharat Niwas Harmony Hall	Bharat Niwas Harmony Hall	Online Ask for the link	Online Ask for the link
				
SYNTHESIS OF YOGA Sri Aurobindo	BE AS YOU ARE Ramana Maharshi	BASES OF YOGA Mother's Talks	THE POWER OF NOW Eckhart Tolle	A NEW EARTH Eckhart Tolle
FOLLOWED BY				
 Méditation Breathwork	 Live Sound Bath	 Meditation Visualization	 Present Moment Meditation	 Book Meditation

Please note -

- Embodiment practice will happen in last 30 minutes of 2-hour session.
- Please wear loose comfortable outfits.
- Get notebook/pen to take notes/learnings/journaling.

Minimum contribution –

- Per session – INR 200
- One week Enrollment (4 sessions) – INR 600
- One Month Enrollment (16 sessions) – INR 2500

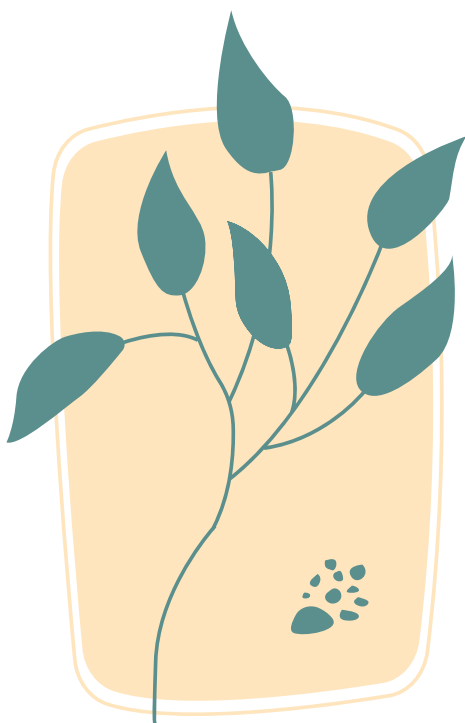
(This is minimum contribution to meet the Program expenses, more is welcome).

(Aurovilians/ Newcomers excluded, but can donate as per their discretion).

Please contact **Debashish (+91) 76782 08825** for queries. Direct walk-in permitted.

Prior registration needed for online sessions.

Warmly, Debashish



## **ANAPANA MEDITATION (BREATH AWARENESS) FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Happy to share that the one-day course on Anapana Meditation (Breath Awareness) was successfully held on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at SAIER with participation from 20 children/youth (age 12 to 18) studying in diverse spaces like Isai Ambalam, Thamarai, The Study, SAICE (Ashram School), Deepanam and Last School.

As the overall feedback from students was encouraging, we will be organising more such courses with durations ranging from 90 minutes to a full-day course.

If you'd like to be informed about the upcoming courses, know more details or wish to volunteer to support these programs, feel free to reach out to us at [vipassanaauroville@gmail.com](mailto:vipassanaauroville@gmail.com)

Gratitude.

*The Auroville Vipassana group*

## **HEALING PRACTICES FOR TRAUMA FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF INTEGRAL YOGA**



### **WHAT IS TRAUMA?**

In the light of Integral Yoga, trauma can be seen as a deep imprint left on our being by experiences that overwhelm our ability to assimilate, integrate, or respond harmoniously. More generally, trauma refers to the physical, psychological, and emotional response to deeply distressing or disturbing events that exceed a person's capacity to cope. It is the lasting impact of experiences that threaten one's safety, identity, or wellbeing, or that fall outside the range of typical human experience.

### **Causes of Trauma**

Life events causing trauma may be personal or collective: sudden

shocks, long-term stress, abuse of power or authority, violence of any type (physical, emotional, or psychological), extreme pressure, painful relationships (personal or professional), political abuse, threats, displacement, loss of loved ones, loss of home or work, forced changes, witnessing violence, accidents, illness of oneself or others, diagnosis of a serious disease, and many other situations.

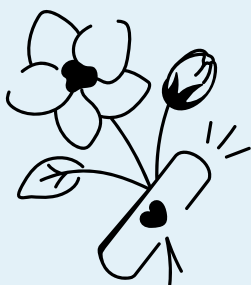
### Healing Practices for Trauma from the Perspective of Integral Yoga

There are a few ways, inspired by Integral Yoga, to approach trauma with gentleness and the Mother's presence. These are not quick fixes, but steady movements of consciousness that invite healing and transformation over time.

#### #7 Quick Breathing Technique for Trauma relief

For high stress: sit or stand straight. Inhale naturally through the nose, then exhale fully through the mouth, emptying the lungs completely until the abdomen pushes out the last air. Repeat three times for immediate calm.

*There will be a healing practice shared each week in the News & Notes. This series is a weekly offering by an Aurovilian therapist, to help people to engage with their personal healing.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BEFRIENDING DEATH

THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, LIBRARY, CREATIVITY

**Time:** 10:45am - 11:45am

**Venue:** Library, Creativity community, Auroville (not AV library)

- Open for all. No registration / fee required.
- Phones on airplane mode.
- No entry after 10:45am.

Hosted by Deepa.

More about Deepa's work- life- travels

<https://tinyurl.com/v9nwba2>



### JIVA AUROVILLE



A platform of Aurovilles therapists for therapy, workshops, classes, and professional training.

#### Regular offers

- Natural Horsemanship & Horse Assisted Therapy : Daily 8 - 10 am, 4 - 6pm
- Sunday JIVA Breathwork : Sundays 4:30 - 8pm
- Cosmic Dance Wave Saturdays : 5 - 6:30pm.



### Upcoming workshops

- **4, 5, 6 Dec** - Online Module Integral Trauma Therapy Introductory Webinar
- **6 & 7 Dec** - Transforming Trauma (9am - 12:30pm , 2 - 3:30pm)
- **13 & 14 Dec** - Inner Child Work (9:30am – 12:30pm, 2 mornings)
- **12 Dec** - Quantum Energy Upgrade (9am - 5pm)
- **13 Dec** - Intro to Regression Therapy (9:30am – 12pm)
- **14, 15, 16 Dec** - Breathwork (9 - 6pm, 9am - 4:30pm, 9am - 2:30pm )
- **14 Dec** - Ancestral Lineage Healing (9am - 5pm)

[www.auroville-jiva.com](http://www.auroville-jiva.com) [contact@auroville-jiva.com](mailto:contact@auroville-jiva.com)

WA 96260 06961

### OPEN CALL TO PERFORMERS -

### AUROVILLE'S GOT TALENT

FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, YUVA SANGHA (KAILASH)



**Auroville's Got Talent** is an open mic for anyone young, old, or in-between to come and express what they love. Music, dance, poetry, stand-up, movement, or something completely your own... It's all welcome.

It's a warm, lively space where the crowd is on your side, cheering for you as you try something, share something, or simply step onto a stage for the first time.

**To register, please scan the QR code provided.**

We're gathering on **Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, 6:30–8:30pm at Yuva Sangha (Kailash)** to celebrate expression, confidence, and creativity together.

**If you feel it, try it!**

— YouthLink Team



## SRI AUROBINDO AND MOTHER'S THOUGHT IN LAST SCHOOL

### *Sri Aurobindo and Mother's Thought in Last School*

Last School is happy to open its doors and welcome all those who are interested in exploring Mother and Sri Aurobindo's works.

If you are interested in being part of this initiative and collective learning exploration please register:

Whatsapp +447515377896 or email [misha@auroville.org.in](mailto:misha@auroville.org.in)

**CREATIVE  
VOICE SOUND  
HEALING**  
EVERY  
THURSDAY,  
HALL OF LIGHT,  
CREATIVITY

**HALL OF LIGHT  
CREATIVITY COMMUNITY  
AUROVILLE**



**CREATIVE VOICE  
SOUND HEALING**

**EVERY THURSDAY  
FROM 5 TO 6,30 PM**

Experience vocal techniques, breathing, toning, singing, dancing, etc  
To promote relaxation, self discovery, emotional release, free expression and happiness.  
We discover our heart voice through singing.  
Exploring our different voices and small instruments.



**NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED  
NO REGISTRATION  
AUROVILIANS AND NEWCOMER FREE  
CONTRIBUTION  
300 Rs FOR GUEST**

**CONTACT: lola 9443069335.**

## HIVE COWORKING SPACE

OPEN HOUSE EVERY FRIDAY, AUROMODE



**NEED A PLACE TO WORK?**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**Hive**  
COWORKING SPACE

**FREE ON EVERY FRIDAY**

More Info : +91 90 42 75 95 40 | [www.auromode.in](http://www.auromode.in)

Are you looking to work, study, create or simply connect with like-minded professionals in a serene place? Step into Hive and experience the Cosy workspace with super-fast Internet, Coffee -

-All for **FREE** on our Open House.

- Venue: Hive, Auromode
- Time: 9 am - 7 pm
- Visit us at [www.auromode.in/hive-coworking](http://www.auromode.in/hive-coworking) for more details on our plans and facilities.
- For inquiries: [auromodehive@auroville.org.in](mailto:auromodehive@auroville.org.in) / +91 90427 59540 (WA) / +91 70921 97375 (WA) or drop by.

**All are Welcome!!!**

## **FREE AI MASTERCLASS FOR ALL** EVERY SATURDAY, HIVE, AUROMODE



Are you looking to transform your future and career with AI? Come Join our **Free AI Masterclass** at Hive Coworking Space facilitated by S M Pandi Subramanian, founder of Enthiram.AI, with over 20 years of pioneering work in AI innovation and solutions.

Open for all, no prior experience needed.

Contact: +91 98867 40850 / [auromodehive@auroville.org.in](mailto:auromodehive@auroville.org.in)

## **SUPPORT NEEDED**

### **APPEAL TO SUPPORT THE MULTIMEDIA CENTRE AUDITORIUM - CINEMA PARADISO**



#### **Appeal to Support MMC-CP**

Multimedia Center Auditorium – Cinema Paradiso

Community cinemas worldwide thrive on support from their audiences. At Cinema Paradiso, our core funding now covers only basic maintenance—everything else, from fuel to essential upgrades, we manage together. Since COVID, operational budgets dried up, costs rose, and fewer events mean less income. Generator expenses once covered outside the budget now fall on us.

We're looking for **at least 5 more Auroville units** to join the three already contributing ₹3,000/month each — **grateful to them**. That will bring us to the needed eight contributors. **Individuals and film lovers are welcome to support too.**

Indian nationals and unit holders can easily donate by setting up recurring or one-time contributions via the Unity Fund at our Financial Service. This ensures your support goes straight to Cinema Paradiso (MMC-CP FS Account #105106). Direct payments to our FS Account are not considered donations and will incur an 18% GST—but if that works better for you, please go ahead. *Non-Indian supporters, you're welcome to write to us or contact AV Unity Fund at Financial Service for guidance.*

Every contribution counts. It helps keep screenings alive and strengthens community spirit. Be part of the story!

Thanking you  
MMC-CP Team



## LOOKING FOR

### TAXI SHARING - CHENNAI TO AUROVILLE

MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

To stay ECO FRIENDLY am very willing to share a taxi **from Chennai airport to Auroville on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2025 around 4:00PM (16:00).**

Please contact via WhatsApp +34685673777 or email: [srimaa221@gmail.com](mailto:srimaa221@gmail.com)

Many thanks, *Sunny*



### STOLEN MOTORBIKE



Hero Passion X Pro, Grey color, Registration No. PY 01 CM 0556.  
Stolen from Realization community garage, Auroville.  
Reward for information leading to recovery.

### LOST KEYS

I lost on the road of large door key plus three smaller lock keys.

If found pl contact

*Frederick*

94864 75457



### OFFICE SPACE

I am looking for an office space. If you have a room I can use, please let me know.

*Krishna D*

98841 20010



### TRANSLATORS AND PROOFREADERS

Looking for translators and proofreaders for questions on conscious living and dying. These are written in English.

- **Proofreaders** needed for:

Gujarati, Kashmiri, Kannada, Bengali, Marathi, Sindhi, Tamil, Portuguese, Turkish, Japanese, Spanish, Chinese.

- **Translators** needed for

Indian (except Hindi and English) / foreign languages not mentioned above.

- No prior experience required. Just enthusiasm and interest in this topic
- One question per day. Thus super easy pace dividing 100-200 questions amongst many translators / proofreaders so that one does not feel overwhelmed / burdened.
- One can quit anytime. There is no obligation. Just let us know. Communication is key in such heavily interdependent projects.
- Full credits shall be shared if/ when this project goes public.

Thank you for reading and thinking of offering your time for this.

Love, Deepa, [stigmatad@gmail.com](mailto:stigmatad@gmail.com)

More about Deepa's work- life- travels

- <https://tinyurl.com/v9nwba2>



## AVAILABLE

### BIG WOOLLEN CARPET



approx, measures 3'40 by 2'40.

Joan, [joan@auroville.org.in](mailto:joan@auroville.org.in)

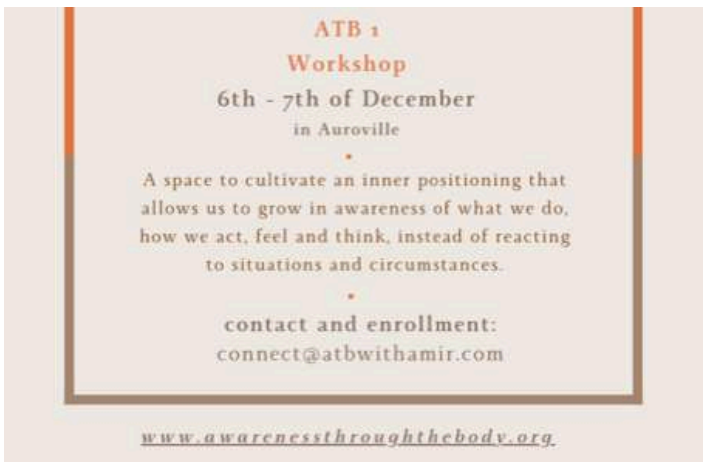
## WORKSHOPS

### AWARENESS THROUGH THE BODY (ATB)

SAT 6<sup>TH</sup> - SUN 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER



**ATB**   
Awareness Through the Body



## CO-CREATING THE DREAM WORKSHOP SERIES

SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER,  
VÉRITÉ



A few Aurovilians have taken online ProSocial courses based on Nobel Laureate Elinor Ostrom's research, in which she identified eight core principles based on communities around the world that help them work successfully. These include clarifying shared purpose and values, fair decision-making, transparency, and constructive conflict resolution. The ProSocial training also included listening, communication and other internal skills. Seeing the relevance of these discoveries for Auroville, we are offering a series of flowing, engaging, and explorative workshops to bring awareness to these principles and practice useful skills for enhancing interpersonal relationships, working in units, and collective life.

Each workshop is a stand-alone experience.

The series continues on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 9:15 - 12:15** in Verite with our fifth workshop:

### "Collectively Clarifying Our Values and Purpose"

A group thrives when its shared purpose and values are clear and alive. Together we'll explore what makes a group cohesive and working — reflecting on the Dream, the Charter, and our lived realities. Through creative visioning and dialogue, we'll imagine

Auroville at its most harmonious and inspired, exploring tools that any group can use to shape a shared understanding of values and purpose for collective evolution. New to Auroville? Read these three core writings: <https://auroville.org/page/core-documents>

**Register at [Verité](#) through Whatsapp: +91 93636 24083.**





## EXPLORE THE MAHABHARATA WITHIN

JANUARY 2026



### Explore The Mahabharata Within

Since the beginning of 2023, a small group of Auroville residents have been working with Raghu Ananthanarayanan on the "Heartweaving" process and to deepen our work we are exploring a 6-day, residential program in January 2026 called the **Mahabharata Immersion**. We'd like to know if there are more Auroville residents who'd like to join this program and the Heartweaving process. If it interests you, kindly fill this form:

<https://tinyurl.com/avmahabharata>

Feel free to share your questions and suggestions on:  
[deven@auroville.org.in](mailto:deven@auroville.org.in) or [heartweaving.auroville@gmail.com](mailto:heartweaving.auroville@gmail.com)

## CULTURAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RESILIENCE BY MARIE-CLAIRE BARSOTTI

28 NOV - 17 DEC 2025, CENTRE D'ART



- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025
- Centre d'Art Auroville
- Tue - Fri : 2 - 5:30pm
- Sat : 10am - 12:30pm, 2 - 5:30pm
- Morning by appointment



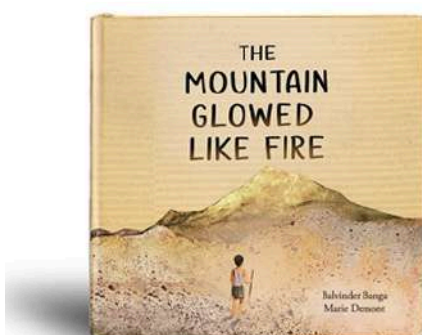
## EXHIBITION AT THE AUROVILLE LIBRARY BY CLAUDINE



## THE MOUNTAIN GLOWED LIKE FIRE - EXHIBITION 1<sup>ST</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, AUROVILLE LIBRARY

### THE MOUNTAIN GLOWED LIKE FIRE

Balvinder Banga - Marie Demont



**Mornings:** Mon - Sat: 9am - 12:30pm

**Afternoons:** Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat: 2pm - 4:30pm  
Tues: 4pm - 6:30pm

## PHOTO CIRCLE

FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DEC, MULTIMEDIA ROOM, CENTRE D'ART



Photo Circle meets again on **FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER at 5pm** in the Centre d'Art multimedia room, at Citadines.

The Photocircle brings together Auroville's photographers and amateurs.

We share our own work, show the work of global photographers we admire, discuss the history of photography, and share techniques. Anybody can bring and screen a small selection of images.

Everybody's welcome.

## WATCHING TREES GROW - RELEASE EVENT

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, ANUSUYA



### WATCHING TREES GROW RELEASE EVENT

13 BLACK & WHITE TREE DRAWINGS  
INSPIRED BY MADHUBANI  
AND THE AUROVILLE FORESTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025

(ONLY IF IT'S NOT RAINING, AS IT'S OUTDOORS)

9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

AT THE 3-WAY CROSSING IN ANUSUYA

CHRISTOPH

### WATCH IT & WATCH OUT

See a preview of the works at the link given below. Also at that link watch out for any further weather related short notice date change of the event which might be published there before Saturday 4 p.m.

<https://brainfever.in/watching-trees-grow/>

## OPEN CALL FOR EXHIBITIONS, ACTIVITIES, ARTIST RESIDENCIES - CENTRE D'ART



# OPEN CALL



## 26/27

Exhibitions  
Activities  
Artist residency



Every year Centre d'Art organizes art exhibitions, workshops, collective projects, lectures, activities, and invites an artist for a two-month residency.

Application deadline is **31 JAN 2026**.

Here you can find the info:

- for Exhibitions and Artist Residency: <https://centredart.in/artist-residency-auroville/>
- for Activities: <https://centredart.in/activities-open-call/>
- If you need more info please send us an email to [centredart@auroville.org.in](mailto:centredart@auroville.org.in)

Centre d'Art team





## FOR THE BOOKWORMS

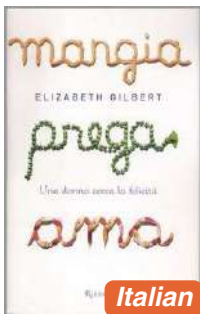
### AUROVILLE LIBRARY

#### New Arrivals!

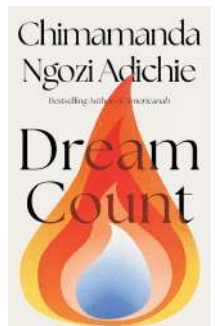
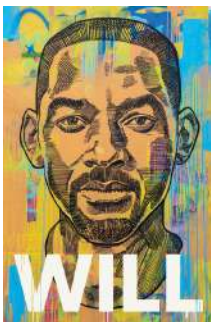
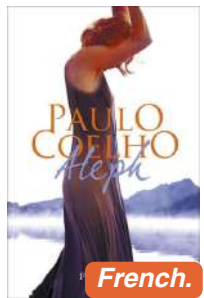
Dear Friends,

The Auroville Library invites you to come check out our **latest arrivals**.

In addition to books in English, French, Italian and German (See some examples below), we are happy to introduce **new works** from **fellow Aurovilians, Mother, Sri Aurobindo, and disciples**.



**NEW!**



And we didn't forget the children! There are plenty of fresh reads in the kids' room as well.

The Library also offers an assortment of **jigsaw puzzles** for borrowing. It's a wonderful way to while away wet, windy weekends.

#### Come visit us!



### TIBETAN PAVILION LIBRARY

Dear all,

We have vast collection of books on **Tibetan history, Buddhism, medicine, environment and etc**, and also a section of books on **India, China, Bhutan and spiritual books on Sri Aurobindo and the Mother**.



Our opening hours are:

- Monday, Tuesday Wednesday mornings
- Open from 09:00am to 12:30pm.

All reader's are invited.

We will be closed on the national holidays.

We look forward of seeing you in Tibetan pavilion,

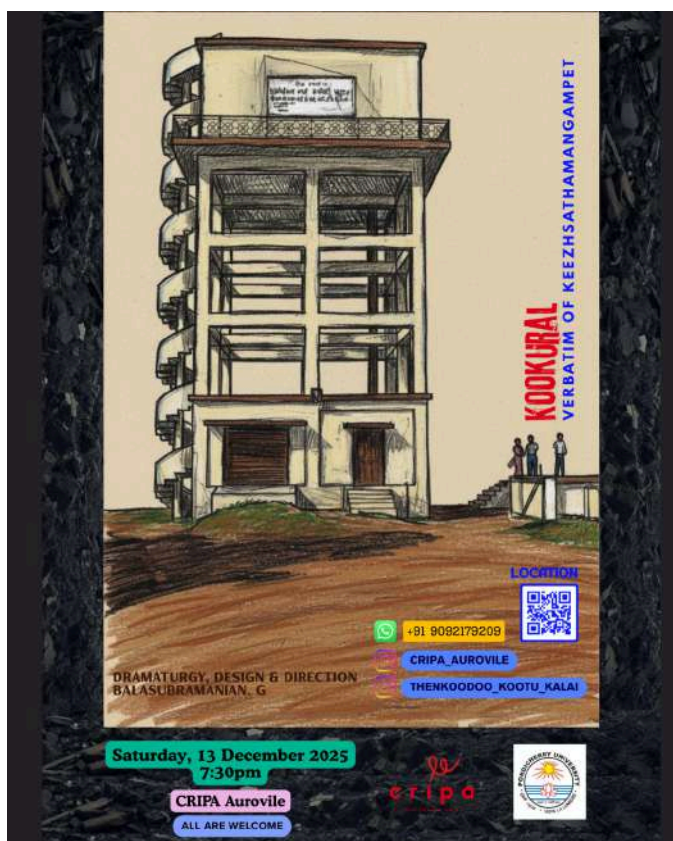
*Submitted by Kalsang*

On behalf of Pavilion Of Tibetan Culture International zone

## AT CRIPA

**PRESENTING: KOOKURAL**


**SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**





Kookural is an experimental verbatim theatre piece built from survivor testimonies and legal records of the 2011 Keezsathamangalampet violence.


It exposes the gap between lived experience and institutional language, using silence, fragmentation and repetition to question how we listen — and what it means to witness.

Dramaturgy, design & direction by [@dir\\_balan](#)

 : Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December

 : 7:30pm

 : Cripa, Auroville

 : +91 90921 79209





## FOOD

### FOOD FOREST TOUR & SUNDAY BRUNCH

EVERY SUNDAY, LA FERME COMMUNITY



### FOOD FOREST TOUR & SUNDAY BRUNCH

Living Foods & Vegan Ice Cream Making

**Every Sunday, 9-11 AM**

La Ferme Community  
(5 min from AV Bakery)

WhatsApp Sarah: 9047421044



[www.myfoodforest.in](http://www.myfoodforest.in)

### RIGHT PATH CAFE, VISITOR'S CENTRE



The cafeteria at visitor center is offering a south indian non veg lunch scheme :

- Organic white rice / Brown rice / millet
- Organic chapati
- Seasonal Auroville vegetable
- Sambar
- 3 x a week with veg kurma & rasam
- 3 x a week with organic chicken curry,
- or fish kuzhambu, or auroville egg kuzhambu
- Home made organic pickles.

3700/- per month

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#### REMINDER!

#### OTHER MONTHLY SCHEMES :

- Organic Vegetarian South Indian Mini Meal - Rs 2500/-
- Healthy Plate based on AV organic products - Rs 3700/-
- For those, a half month scheme is also available.
- Enquiries and registration: email [cafeteriav@auroville.org.in](mailto:cafeteriav@auroville.org.in)
- Whatsapp 90430 04919

**Open to Aurovilians, Newcomers, Volunteers with Aurocard and registered Interns.**

## AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear Aurovilians,

Your favourite radio is always working for you. Stay tuned!

## Last published podcasts:

- [Savitri - Ep.29 : Introductory Comments in Tamil | சாவித்ரி காவியம் ஓர் அறிமுக விளக்கம் by Dhanalakshmi \(Spirituality\)](#)
- [Sri Aurobindo's "The Life Divine" read by Deepti Tewari- B 1, C 14: "The Supermind as Creator" \(Sri Aurobindo\)](#)
- [Une série hebdomadaire de lectures par Gangalakshmi – Ep.517 \(Integral Yoga\)](#)

## Latest Youtube Videos

- [Unity Resonances: An immersive concert by SvaramStreams](#)
- [Full Moon Musical Offering at the #Matrimandir](#)
- [Savitri Ep.9 : Introductory Comments in Tamil | சாவித்ரி காவியம் ஓர் அறிமுக விளக்கம் by Dhanalakshmi](#)
- [Elemental Matters | Art Exhibition at Maji, Maroma | Auroville](#)
- [Menstrual Wellbeing - Ep.4 | மாதவிடாய் நன்னலம் : Conversation with Kalvikarasi from Eco Femme](#)
- [Sri Aurobindo's The Life Divine read by Deepti Tewari | Book 1 - Chapter 4](#)
- [Unity Resonances: An immersive concert by SvaramStreams](#)

....and more! on [www.aurovilleradiotv.org](http://www.aurovilleradiotv.org).

For more information write to [radio@auroville.org.in](mailto:radio@auroville.org.in)

Peace and love

Regards,  
Sai Priya for Auroville RadioTV

## POETRY

### There you are!

When I zoom in on your shadow,  
I forget that it is a well-lit show.  
I ignore what makes your being glow.

I abandon you —  
only to imprint your shadow  
on my mind's endless scroll.

My mind will add threads of storylines,  
and maneuver the hands  
that move the puppet show.

I sit, glued to my seat,  
staging and watching the show.

Somewhere between the breaths,  
I catch a moment of pause.  
I may hang there, motionless,  
I may lose traces —  
or interest in the show,

and turn my gaze  
to you —  
finally.

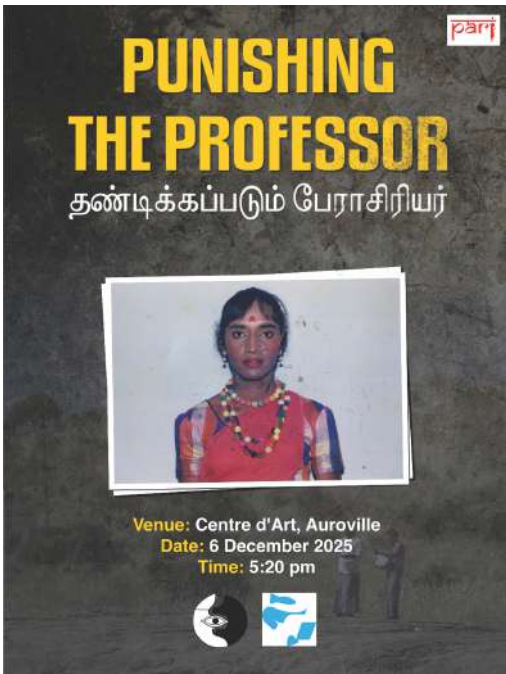
There you are.



## CINEMA

### AURO ARTWORLD PRESENTS A FILM SCREENING - PUNISHING THE PROFESSOR

SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, CENTRE D'ART



**At Centre d'Art on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 5:20pm.**

P. Senrayaperumal a Dalit folk artist desperate to escape the fate he has been trapped in, enduring slurs and sexual harassment since birth due to his caste position, turns to education 12 years later. Becoming a professor only to be dragged back into the worst systematic trap.

This film traces his extraordinary journey—from a hereditary performer of Raja-Rani Attam to a respected academic only to be dragged back into the worst systematic trap that followed when he was unjustly dismissed from his post. For Dr. P. Senrayaperumal, rising from a village dropout to a college professor wasn't just personal triumph—it was defiance. Though the High Court ruled in his favour, the institution refused to reinstate him—revealing how deep-rooted caste prejudice can sabotage even the most hard-earned victories.

Aayna, the filmmaker, is a visual storyteller and photographer whose work documents and explores the socio-political dimension of gender, caste, and identity. Her documentaries are featured on the People's Archive of Rural India (PARI). She is a Economics graduate from Mumbai and is based in Tamil Nadu.



# Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program : 8<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025

***Cinema Paradiso—Multimedia Center is open to the community.***

***Entry begins 15 minutes before showtime and closes once the film starts—please arrive on time.***

***Kindly refrain from running in front of the screen or using mobile phones when lights are off.***

***Food and beverages are not permitted inside the hall.***

***Screenings on Saturday and Sunday, earlier cancelled due to Cyclone Ditwah, are now rescheduled***

## **INDIAN - MONDAY 8 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:**

### **• DAMAN**

India, 2022, Writer-Dir. Lenka Debiprasad & Vishal Mourya w/ Karan Kandhapan, Babushan Mohanty, Dipanwit Dashamohapatra, and others, Adventure-Drama, 121mins, Odiya-Hindi w/ English subtitles, Rated: U/A (PG-13)

Named after a Malaria eradication program in the inaccessible areas, this National Award-winning film follows Dr. Siddharth's true-event inspired journey into Maoist-dominated villages of Odisha, where he battles disease, superstition, and danger to bring hope and healthcare to the forgotten. *Join us to witness this special film of courage and compassion against impossible odds.*

## **GERMAN FILM - TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:**

### **• ICH WAR NEUNZEHN (I WAS NINETEEN)**

East-Germany, 1968, Dir. Konrad Wolf w/ Jaecki Schwarz, Vasilij Livanov, Aleksey Eybozhenko, and others, Biography-Drama, 114mins, German-Russian w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (R)

Home is not always where you left it. Gregor Hecker, a young German who fled the Nazis, returns as a Soviet officer in 1945. As he navigates a shattered homeland, he confronts identity, memory, and the haunting contradictions of liberation and belonging. *A powerful coming-of-age story set in the ruins of war.* Rescheduled due to earlier technical issue.

## **SELECTION - WEDNESDAY 10 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:**

### **• DA CHVEN VITSEK'VET (AND THEN WE DANCED)**

Sweden-Georgia-France, 2019, Writer-Dir. Levan Akin w/ Evan Gelbarkhiani, Bachi Valishvili, Ana Javakishvili, and others, Drama Romance, 113mins, Georgian w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (R) Winner of several awards and a Queer Palm nomination at Cannes, this film follows Merab, a devoted dancer in Tbilisi. He trains relentlessly for a place in the National Ensemble. Irakli arrives and changes everything. Rivalry turns into forbidden desire. Their relationship tests tradition, identity, and the strict boundaries of Georgian dance culture. *Here, love and rivalry take center stage.*

## **INTERESTING - THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:**

### **• THE STORY OF FILM: AN ODYSSEY**

UK, 2011, Dir. Mark Cousins w/ Mark Cousins, Juan Diego Botto, Aleksander Sokurov, and others, History-Documentary, 62mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (G)

This is episode #2 of a notable series. Here, the director, a film historian himself, explores the birth of cinematic language in the 1920s and 1930s. He shows how pioneers across continents shaped storytelling, sound, and visual style, revealing cinema's global evolution and its power to reflect society and ignite imagination. *Winner of a major award for excellence in storytelling, the film invites you to journey deeper into cinema's past, where innovation first met artistry.*

## GERMAN FILM - SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:

- **ROTER HIMMEL (AFIRE)**

Germany, 2023, Writer-Dir. Christian Petzold w/ Thomas Schubert Paula Beer, Langston Uibel, and others, Comedy-Romance, 102mins, German w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

A haunting summer unfolds as desire, ego, and nature collide. Leon, a brooding writer, joins his friend Felix at a seaside cottage to work on his manuscript. But unexpected guests and a looming forest fire unravel their plans. As tensions simmer and emotions ignite, deeper truths begin to surface. *Winner of major international awards, this film is a masterclass in storytelling, exploring how empathy can emerge in the most unlikely places. 'A film that leaves a lasting impression.*

## GERMAN - CHILDREN'S MATINEE SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER, 4:00 PM:

- **PETTERSSON & FINDUS - KLEINER QUÄLGEIST, GROSSE FREUNDSCHAFT (PETTSON AND FINDUS: A LITTLE NUISANCE, A GREAT FRIENDSHIP)**

Germany, 2014, Dir. Ali Samadi Ahadi w/ Ulrich Noethen, Marianne Sägbrecht, Max Herbrechter, and others, Animation-Family, 86mins, German w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (G)

One grumpy man. One cheeky cat. One unforgettable friendship. Pettersson, a solitary old man, finds his peaceful life turned upside down when a mischievous talking cat named Findus moves in. Through playful chaos and unexpected adventures, their bond deepens, proving that even the most unlikely friendships can bring the greatest joy.

## GERMAN FILM - SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER, 8:00 PM:

- **DIE EHE DER MARIA BRAUN (THE MARRIAGE OF MARIA BRAUN)**

Germany, 1979, Writer-Dir Rainer Werner Fassbinder w/ S Hanna Schygulla. Klaus Löwitsch, Ivan Desny, and others, Drama, 120mins, German w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

This much-awarded film, set in postwar Germany, is a fierce and unforgettable portrait of ambition, love, and survival. Maria marries Hermann in the final days of World War II, only to lose him to the chaos of war. As she claws her way through Germany's economic boom, her choices blur the lines between loyalty and self-preservation. She built a future from the ruins of love.

EVERY CONTRIBUTION COUNTS

**Rating codes** we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G= General Audiences, PG= Parental guidance suggested, PG-13= Parents strongly cautioned, R= Restricted (equivalent to Indian rating: A i.e., for Adults), NR= Film Not Rated, Rating awaited.

**To organize a seminar/program at MMC Auditorium, kindly email us at [mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in).**

**Support MMC-CP: Every Contribution Counts:** Like cultural spaces worldwide, MMC-CP relies on local financial support to thrive. If you value the films and programming we offer, consider a one-time or recurring donation via the Unity Fund to Account #105106.

*If you have an innovative fundraising idea and are willing to take it forward, we'd love to hear from you. Email and share your proposal and let us know how you'd like to be involved.*

Thanking You,

MMC/CP Group

Account# 105106 | Email: [mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in)



# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## ESSENTIAL SERVICES

### AUROVILLE'S FINANCIAL SERVICES (AVFS)

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 9am - 12:30pm, and 3pm - 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622171
- **Email:** [financialservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:financialservice@auroville.org.in)

### ELECTRICAL SERVICE (AVES)

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 8am - 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622132 / 94888 68747 for fault works, repair works and job works  
0413 2622264 for clarifications reg. electricity bills, job and repair works bills
- **Email:** [aves@auroville.org.in](mailto:aves@auroville.org.in)

### GAS BOTTLE SERVICE

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 9am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622452
- **Email:** [avgasservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avgasservice@auroville.org.in)

### WATER SERVICE

- Monitors water lines and supply within AV, undertakes water-related jobs.
- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 8am - 12pm and 2pm - 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622877, 89035 53246
- **Email:** [avwaterservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avwaterservice@auroville.org.in)

### ECO SERVICE (WASTE COLLECTION/MANAGEMENT)

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 8:30am - 12:30pm, and 1:30pm - 4:30pm
- **Phone:** 63796 69034
- **Email:** [ecoservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:ecoservice@auroville.org.in)

### POUR TOUS DISTRIBUTION CENTRE (PTDC)

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 9am - 5pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622746 / 2622796
- **Email:** [ptdc@auroville.org.in](mailto:ptdc@auroville.org.in)

### POUR TOUS PURCHASING SERVICE (PTPS)

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 8:30 am - 5pm
- **Phone:** 0413 2622152

### AUROVILLE LIBRARY

#### Timings:

#### **Mornings:**

- Monday to Saturday : 9am - 12:30pm

#### **Afternoons:**

- Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat: 2pm - 4:30pm
- Tuesday : 4pm - 6:30pm

#### **Children's Storytime! All ages welcome!**

- Every **Saturday** between 10am - 11am.
- **Phone** : 0413 350 9191
- **Email:** [avlib@auroville.org.in](mailto:avlib@auroville.org.in)
- **Website:** <http://library.auroville.org.in/>



*The World is my country,  
all mankind are my  
brethren, and to do good is  
my religion.*

Thomas Paine

## HEALTH

### SANTÉ SERVICES IN NOVEMBER 2025

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#### Working Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 - 12:30pm & 2:00 - 4:30pm

#### Tests and Sample collection:

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

No sample collection on Saturday

#### For emergencies, contact:

Auroville Ambulance (24/7) - Phone: **+91 94422 24680**

Government Ambulance (24/7) - Phone: **108**

#### Appointment

Please call Santé (0413) 262 2803 during working hours for an appointment.

<b>Doctor Consultation with Dr. Joseph, Dr. Pavan &amp; Dr. Sana:</b> Monday to Saturday	<b>Nurse Care - Thilagam, Ezhil, Archana &amp; Sandhya:</b> Daily: no appointment needed
<b>Ayurveda with Dr. Berengere:</b> Tuesday / Wednesday / Friday (TOS 9 <sup>th</sup> onwards)	<b>Integrative Psychotherapy with Juan Andres:</b> Monday to Friday
<b>Physiotherapy &amp; Massage with Galina:</b> Monday to Friday	<b>Homeopathy with Michael:</b> Monday / Wednesday / Saturday
<b>Midwifery &amp; GYN Care with Paula:</b> Monday & Wednesday	<b>Soundbed Session with Sandhya / Thilagam:</b> Monday to Saturday
<b>Bio-Well Assessment (Evaluation of your well-being) with Helena – inquiry email <a href="mailto:adminsante@auroville.org.in">adminsante@auroville.org.in</a></b>	

In Santé, we value our patient's confidentiality and make every effort to ensure their privacy.

**In case of cancellation or to reschedule, it is necessary to inform us in advance.**

### HEALTH CENTER - KUILAPALAYAM

**Contact:** (0413) 3509942 / 3509943

#### Pharmacy:

- 8:00am - 5:30pm Monday to Saturday

#### Doctor Consultation:

- 8:30am - 5:00pm Monday to Friday  
(1 - 2pm Lunch Break)
- 8:30am - 1pm (Saturday)





## DENTAL CLINIC - KUILAPALAYAM

- **Timings:** Monday to Saturday, 9am - 5pm daily
- **Phone:** 0413 2622007 / 2622265
- **Email:** [aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in)

## NURSE SERVICES

My name is Madhi and I'm 27 years old. I was born and brought up in AV.

I have done my bachelor degree in B.SC (Nursing) and I have more than three years experience as a Staff Nurse in hospital (one year in psychiatric ward, six months in ICU and six months in emergency) and giving care for elderly people in AV for the past 2 years.

### Services:

- Patient assessment and care plan.
- Medication administration.
- Vital signs monitoring.
- Wound care.
- To provide blood and lab test .
- Personal care assistance.
- Patient education.
- Fall prevention strategies.
- Providing assistance with bathing, dressing, grooming, and toileting needs.
- Communication and collaboration with physicians.
- Documentation of medical reports.
- End-of-life care.



If you need any assistance please do contact the below mentioned email or contact number.

Contact: 95972 22826 (Madhi) call/WhatsApp

E-mail Id: [madhiazhagan014@gmail.com](mailto:madhiazhagan014@gmail.com)

## MONSOON WITH AYURVEDA AND LOCAL PLANTS



During monsoon, the climate is cold and humid, rains and little sunlight increase drastically the moisture in the air and on the ground leading to a more acidic environment, sour taste prevails. The body struggles to keep warm and dry, the digestive power can also be less.

**VATA** gets cold and gives joint pain, **PITTA** keeps fermenting, **KAPHA** bloats and retains water.

An extra focus will be given to Vata imbalances, as it is the right season to reduce or expel Vata toxins (in body: stiffness, bloating, coldness, pain and inflammation in the joints; in the mind: anxiety, anguish, fear, dismay, confusion, doubts).

**This is a period to slow down and care for AGNI – digestive fire**

### IN THE FOOD :

- All meals are warm, cooked in a sauce-pan, easy to digest, light, spicy
- **Proteins:** Mung dal, beans, chickpeas, lentils (all of these cooked with asafetida to prevent bloating), white meat, egg, peanut
- **Vegetables:** amaranth, green leaves, carrot, beetroot, cauliflower, bitter-snake-bottlegourd, moringa (drumstick), chow-chow, radish, pumpkin – all should be well washed to avoid contamination
- Sweet taste with old grains - barley, rice, millet, oat, wheat
- **Fruits:** apple, pomegranate, banana, papaya, grape, guava, pear



- **Spices:** ginger, pepper, long pepper (pippali), turmeric, cumin, clove, asafoetida, mustard seeds, ajwain, cinnamon, fennel seeds, fenugreek seeds, onion, garlic
- Ghee or sesame/olive/sunflower oil (cold pressed)
- **Drinks:** herbal teas, warm or boiled water, with honey or jaggery
- **Ayurvedic formulas to take after meals:** Panchakola, Trikatu, Hingwashtak churna... with honey.

#### **AVOID :**

- All food with yeast/baking powder, cheese, yogurt, curd, lassi, beer
- Drinking too much liquid during or straight after meals
- Uncooked vegetables and salads
- Heavy and difficult to digest (fried food, pizza at dinner, etc)
- Milk coffee, ice cream
- Carbonated soft drinks.

#### **IN ACTIVITIES :**

- Be regular in the daily routine, especially in taking meals and going to bed
- Time to keep Vata balanced with Abhyanga (oil massage + steam bath), Shirodhara (warm oil on forehead), Basti (warm oil enema)
- Foot bath with warm salty water
- Wash with warm water (shower or bath)
- Keep body warm: neck and feet especially
- Soft physical exercise: 30 minutes a day
- Yoga, Pranayama, Meditation-concentration, Qi-Gong...
- Fumigation with eucalyptus, neem, sage
- Nasya (oil drops in the nose) with Anu Tailam at bedtime or in the morning to clear the sinuses.

#### **AVOID :**

- Siestas and day naps
- Intense physical sport or work
- Moist and cold air, wind, fan
- Staying humid after being in the rain
- Long hours in front of the computer
- Skipping meals or fasting
- Staying awake late at night
- Too many travels.



Most of the above aggravate Vata.

#### **HERBS AND MEDICINAL PLANTS FOR THE RAINY SEASON :**

- Moringa – Moringa Oleifera: to balance Vata and Kapha by increasing the digestive power
- Bhunimba (Nilavembu) – Andrographis paniculate: in feverish condition
- Guduchi (Giloy) – Tinospora cordifolia: natural immunoregulator
- Haritaki – Terminalia chebula with a little of rock salt: to balance Vata and ease bowel movement
- Dashamoolarishtam – for joint pain and inflammation, to balance Vata.

Enjoy the rain and  
stay warm and cosy!  
*Be @ Sante Clinic*



# MATRIMANDIR ACCESS INFORMATION

## Access to the Park of Unity

- The Matrimandir, the Petals, the Lotus Pond and the Banyan Tree are areas of silence
- The Park of Unity is open to Aurovilians and registered Newcomers daily, 6am - 7:30pm.
- Aurovilians may bring close family and friends to the Gardens only daily, 9am - 3:30pm.
- **Aurovilians bringing children under the age of 10 to visit the Gardens may do so only after 11:30am except Tuesday when they can come from 9am to 11am.**
- Aurovilians wishing to bring close family to the Gardens at any other time should inform [mmconcentration@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmconcentration@auroville.org.in) before 11am on the day of the proposed visit.
- Registered Volunteers and Donors require a pass to enter the Park of Unity. Timings will be indicated on the pass..
- Published events in the Park of Unity are open to Aurovilians, registered Newcomers, Volunteers, Pass holders and Guests. Guests should bring their Aurocards.
- Savitri Readings on Tuesday evenings: Guests holding only Aurocards wishing to attend should book by filling in the [form](#) one or two days in advance.
- Visits to the Park of Unity and Inner Chamber should not be included in the program of any conference or workshop. Participants should be directed to the Viewing Point.

## Access to the Inner Chamber of the Matrimandir for Aurovilians, Newcomers, and registered Volunteers

The Matrimandir is a place for silent individual concentration

- The Inner Chamber is open to Aurovilians and registered Newcomers:

Monday – Saturday	6:00 am - 8:00 am 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Sunday	6:00 am - 12:00 pm 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm
- The Inner Chamber is open to **registered Volunteers**:

Wednesday - Monday	8:00 am - 8:35 am
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Arrival at 7:45am at the Office Gate.
- **The Inner Chamber is open to Aurovilians wishing to accompany a maximum of 3 close family and friends, no more than once in two weeks, with booking 3 to 5 days in advance at [mmconcentration@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmconcentration@auroville.org.in):**

Any day except Tuesday & Sunday	8:00 am - 8:35 am
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Arrival at 7:45 am at the Office Gate
- The Inner Chamber, the Petals, and the Gardens are open to the Children of Auroville and the Outreach Schools:

Tuesday	9:00 am - 11:00 am
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- Auroville units can bring their staff to the Inner Chamber with a prior booking at [mmconcentration@auroville.org.in](mailto:mmconcentration@auroville.org.in):

Tuesday	8:00 am - 8:30 am
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## Petals of the Matrimandir

- The Petals are open to Aurovilians, registered Newcomers, and Pass holders

Daily	7:00 am - 8:00 am 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
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## Access to Matrimandir for Visitors and Guests

**Matrimandir Viewing Point:** The Viewing Point is open to the general public on presentation of a Pass. Visits to the Matrimandir Viewing Point are free of charge. Free passes can be obtained at the Auroville Visitors Centre.

The Viewing Point lies south of the Park of Unity and offers visitors a panoramic view of the Matrimandir and the Gardens and the Lake.

Starting from the Visitors Centre.  
Daily, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

**The Inner Chamber** of the Matrimandir is open to Visitors and Guests by prior booking only. Visitors and Guests seeking to concentrate in the Inner Chamber are requested to inquire at the Information Desk of the Visitors Centre after first visiting the Viewing Point, or to go to the website: [auroville.org](http://auroville.org)

- Prior booking is required to access the Inner Chamber at least one or two days in advance. Bookings for concentration are given for the following or the first free day as per availability and are accepted only up to one week in advance. Minimum age 10 years.
- The Petals are open to Visitors on the morning of their Inner Chamber visit.

### Security

Please note that it is not permitted to

- Swim in any of the ponds, the channel and the Lake except the Children's ponds in the Garden of Youthfulness
- Throw pebbles into the ponds and fountains
- Pick flowers in the Gardens
- Climb to the very top of the Petals.

Parents, please supervise your children at all times.

**Bags, cameras and cell phones** should be left in the lockers or the Access office.

Please no photography, videos or drones without prior permission. For permission, please write to [matrimandir@auroville.org.in](mailto:matrimandir@auroville.org.in).

*Antoine for Matrimandir Executives Team*

**Auroville TO PONDICHERRY**

	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3
Svaram Musical Center	7:00	8:50	14:50
Vérité Guest House - Junction	7:02	8:52	14:52
Town Hall - Main Parking	7:06	8:56	14:56
Solar Kitchen (Ex Round About)	7:10	9:00	15:00
Certitude Entrance	7:12	9:02	15:02
New Creation Road	7:17	9:07	15:07
SBI Bank—Kuilapalayam	7:19	9:09	15:09
ECR Junction—Aroma Guest House	7:23	9:14	15:14
Quiet Healing Center—Junction	7:26	9:17	15:17
Lotus Hotel—S.V Patel Salai	7:36	9:30	15:30
Ashram Road Junction	7:38	9:33	15:33
Ashram Dining Hall	7:40	9:35	15:35

**Pondicherry TO AUROVILLE**

	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3
Ashram Dining Hall	8:00	12:15	18:10
Ashram Road Junction	8:02	12:17	18:12
Lotus Hotel—S.V Patel Salai	8:07	12:22	18:17
Quiet Healing Center—Junction	8:17	12:32	18:27
ECR Junction—Aroma Guest House	8:20	12:35	18:30
SBI Bank—Kuilapalayam	8:25	12:40	18:35
New Creation Road	8:27	12:42	18:37
Certitude	8:32	12:47	18:42
Solar Kitchen (Ex Round About)	8:34	12:50	18:44
Town Hall - Main Parking	8:38	12:54	18:48
Vérité Guest House - Junction	8:42	12:58	18:52
Svaram Musical Center	8:45	13:00	18:55

- Single Trip = ₹100 per person
- Monthly Scheme (Students + AV Workers) = ₹1200
- Monthly Scheme (Students + AV Workers) = (One Way) ₹850

Auroville Vehicle Service  
Town Hall, Auroville, 0413 2623302



Join our WhatsApp group of Auroville Bus to get regular updates:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Lt43wBCBno1E6CTwoaUt2x>

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS**



**Ambulance (24/7):**

Auroville 94422 24680	PIMS 0413 2656271	
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**Security (24/7):**

Auroville Police Station 0413 2677318	Kottakuppam Police Station 0413 2236148	Vanur Fire Station 0413 2677368
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**Health:**

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