

SOCIAL WELFARE

MUNI SEVA ASHRAM, GORAJ



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Republic Day Celebrations

MSA residents and employees celebrated the 71st Republic Day on 26th January with flag-hoisting, motivational speech by an EMRS student, Disha Katara, followed by a cultural programme including dance performances from students of all the schools, VTC, Nursing College, children of the Bal Mandir and women of the Bhagini Mandir.

Children's Committee Meetings

Children's Committee Meetings have been initiated at the Parivar Mandir (Girls Orphanage) at MSA. The warden holds discussions on various topics once every month in order to broaden the horizon for the girls.

- **January:** New-year resolutions, importance of cleanliness, preparations for celebrating the Republic Day
- **February:** Simple living and high thinking, importance of exam preparation, ways to increase concentration
- **March:** Spread of Covid-19, prevention measures, social distancing, etc.

Celebrating Festivals at MSA

The members of Bhagini Mandir celebrate all Indian festivals with pomp and gaiety, and they prepare food at Bhagini Mandir according to the occasion being celebrated.

From January 2020, the members of Bhagini Mandir have celebrated Uttarayan - kite-flying, feeding cows, and eating Undhiyu and Jalebi, Republic Day - singing a song in the cultural festival at MSA, Mahashivratri - pooja and aarti at the Shiv temple in MSA premises, Holi - holika dahan and its pooja, Dhuleti - applying colours on each others faces, Katha - singing and dancing at the kirtan sessions in the 7-day katha, and understanding prevention measures for Covid-19.

The children of Parivar Mandir also celebrated these occasions in a similar manner.

Home Sweet Home

A similarity between the 35 seniors living at the Govardhan Vanprastha Mandir, MSA, aged between 60 to 92, coming from various states of India and having children across the world, is that they are happy and ease at home here. With this great spirit of support and cooperation, the residents conduct bhajans on every Agiyaras (twice a month). They organize Antakshari (game of songs) competitions, treat themselves to bhel-puri and pani-puri and celebrate birthdays with feasts for all. Some seniors actively volunteer their time for various MSA activities, and many of them get together to do Omkar chanting, yoga and pranayam.

