SATHYA SAI INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION SINGAPORE

DATED 1ST NOVEMBER 2018 OM SRI SAI RAM

Cautionary and Special Advisory Note to Centre Presidents, Office Bearers and Active Workers

As we approach and gear up for the major events of the year culminating with the Birthday Celebrations, it is timely for all Centre Presidents, Office Bearers and Active Workers to enforce the attached **LETTER FROM PRASANTHI COUNCIL**, which provides our Beloved Bhagawan's own cautionary words and directions whilst discharging their duties towards HIS Organisation and HIS Mission, and also be seen through their acts and decisions to be enforcing the essence of Bhagawan's words and directives.

As affiliated bodies of the Sathya Sai Baba International Organisation all Centre Presidents, Office Bearers and Active Members are thus required to: -

- 1. Ensure they are not in any form or manner associated with, and/or are participating in any activities of any group or entity, especially **Muddenahali** related activities, which hold or are holding themselves out as having or are being given directives and messages from Bhagawan or being "subtle bodies" of Bhagawan (hereinafter referred to as "the other entities").
- 2. Ensure that no individual who is in any form or manner associated with or are participating in any activities in the other entities, especially **Muddenahali** related activities, is or will be permitted to be <u>involved</u> in or to take any role or roles in any of the activities of their Centres and the Sathya Sai International Organisation Singapore.

Definition of Active Members/Workers of Sai Centres

It is clearly defined in the SSSOS (SSIOS) Constitution in Part 1, General under **Item III DEFINITIONS** where **"Active Member"** means a Member who fulfils the required minimum of 4 hours of service per week, as per the guidelines provided by the Central Executive Committee.

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For further clarification, an Active Member is one who is actively involved or leading any activity which includes

- Members of Main/Sub Committee
- Coordinators of any wing/event/project/activity
- Lead Bhajan singers & Instrumentalists
- SSE Gurus/Anyone actively involved in the Sai Spiritual Education Programme
- Actively involved or leading any activity in the Centre

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The organisations that bear His name exist for the benefit of people who choose to dedicate themselves to practise His teachings and further His mission.

The Objectives of the Organisation

The Organisations named after Me are not to be used for publicising My Name or creating a new cult around My worship. They must try to spread interest in reciting God's Name, meditation, and other spiritual exercises that lead man Godward. They must demonstrate the joy derivable from devotional singing and remembering the Lord's Name, and the peace that one can draw from good company. They must render selfless service to the helpless, the sick, the distressed, the illiterate and the needy. Their service should not be exhibitionistic; it must seek no reward, not even gratitude or thanks from the recipients. – Sathya Sai Baba, 23 February 1968

Membership

The qualifications for membership are to be an eager aspirant for spiritual progress, to have full faith in the name that the Organisation bears ... and to have won recognition as a good person. That is all the qualification needed; nothing else counts. – Sathya Sai Baba, 21 April 1967

Necessary Skills of Leaders

Sathya Sai Baba has said that: Only men and women who have unshaken faith in His Avatarhood with this Name and Form may be selected as leaders in the Organisation ... The leaders of these units lead because they have the vision and yearning, not because they have the votes or the purse. – Sathya Sai Baba, 13 January 1970



Prerequisites for Officers

The necessary conditions to be an officer of the SSIO are:

- 1. Have faith, devotion and unconditional trust in God in the form of Sathya Sai Baba;
- 2. Practice the Nine-point Code of Conduct;
- 3. Be a living example of Sathya Sai Baba's teaching; and
- 4. Conduct themselves with love.

The Central Executive Committee at the meeting held on Saturday, 13th October endorsed that a directive be sent to all Centres to ensure that the above are duly enforced with immediate effect.

With Swami's Love & Guidance

Humbly Yours,

Sis Vasantha Kumaree Chairperson Sathya Sai International Organisation Singapore