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June 1, 2015

**Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth – 99 Yatra in 2016  
(TENTATIVE INFORMATION)**

Dear President & Chairman of Board of Trustees,

With Shree Adinath's and Acharya Bhagwants' blessing, approximately 60 people in early 2012 completed an auspicious even that they still remember today. Every one of the attendees completed the 99 Yatra event at the Shatrunjay Mahatirth. At first many of these attendees felt this activity wasn't possible to finish, but with their own strength, Acharya Bhagwants' blessing and support of fellow yatris each member was able to complete the 99 Yatra event.

New spread to all of the United States Jain centers about the unforgettable 99 Yatra event. Many Jains felt they missed out on a wonderful opportunity. But with the support of JAINA, approval was granted to perform this 99 Yatra event again at the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth. The TENTATIVE dates for this event are NOVEMBER 14, 2016 through JANUARY 13, 2017.

We are sending herewith information regarding this Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra in 2016 Please put this information on your respective Jain Center notice board and inform each member of this event through the Jain Center's newsletter. Announce this yatra program during the next upcoming major Jain Center program. Also please, if possible, promote the families interested in sponsoring this yatra.

All information regarding the yatra is also available through the JAINA website. The JAINA website is [www.jaina.org](http://www.jaina.org).

Finally, if you or respective society's members have any questions regarding this historic religious pilgrimage please feel free to contact the following people located at the bottom of the page.

Jai Jinendra and I thank you for the support in publicizing this extraordinary event.

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**Let's participate in  
Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra project in 2016  
"A Golden opportunity of life time & Second time in  
North America**

Shree Adinathay Namah:

**Shree Sangh Invitation**

**FEDERATION OF JAIN ASSOCIATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA**

will organize

**Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth - 99 Yatra in 2016 / 17**

Jai Jinendra !

The ninety-nine yatra will be performed under the guidance of

**Acharya Bhagwant**

(Name will be announce later on)

and

**Shri Punch Parmeshati Ratna**

**Narendrabhai Nandu**

**& his team**

**USA 99 Yatra COMMITTEE**

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**Tentative Dharmashala- Shree Mewad Bhavan, Palitana, India  
Western Style (2 Person Occupancy)**

**Tentative Date :**

**November 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 through January 13<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**99 Yatra Starts on Monday,  
14<sup>th</sup> November 2016  
Kartiki Punam**

**Malaropan & 99 Yatra  
Celebration on Sat. 24th &  
Sun. 25th December 2016**

**99 Yatra Purnahuti  
13th January 2017**

**Estimated Cost : \$1200 per yatri (Food & Lodging Only)**

**Please Register  
with :**

**Arvind R. Shah Chairman, JAINA 99 Yatra 2016 Project (248)-828-1736 (H)  
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**Last Date for Registration July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016**



**Notes:**

- Each yatri will need to make his/her own travel arrangement to and from Palitana.
- Registration form is included and it is available on the JAINA website-www.jaina.org
- Room will be provided on **FIRST COME FIRST BASIS OF PAID REGISTRATION.**
- Each yatri must sign a waiver form. This waiver form is included in this brochure.
- We have planned accommodation for 175 yatri.

**Travel Arrangement (USA)**

Jaya Travel

Contact: ANNAL Tel: 1-877-352-5292 EX. 2608

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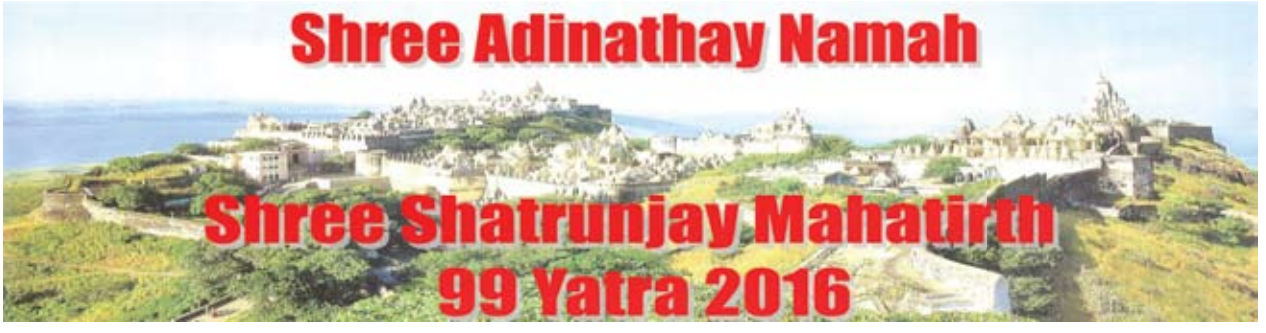
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## શત્રુંજયની ૯૯ યાત્રા

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

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

આ તીર્થનું ધ્યાન ધરવાથી ૧૦૦૦ પલ્લવોપમ જેટલાં પાપ કર્મો નાશ પામે છે. સવારે ઊઠીને સ્તુતિ કરવાથી સર્વ પાપોનો નાશ થાય છે. તીર્થંકર પરમાત્માની ચેતના જ્યાં નિરંતર વહે છે, એમની ઉર્જા ચારેય બાજુ પથરાયેલી છે, તારે તે તીર્થ.

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

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

સીમંધરસ્વામી પોતાની દેશનામાં આ તીર્થનાં ખુબ વખાણ કરે છે. તો ચાલો એક વાર બે મહિના ત્યાં રહીને આ તીર્થની સ્પર્શના કરીયે. ફક્ત અમેરિકાના જૈનો માટે આ પ્રથમજ વાર આયોજન થઈ રહ્યું છે તો અવશ્ય લાભ લેજો.



**SHREE MEWAD BHAVAN DHARMASHALA**



**ENTRANCE TO SHREE MEWAD  
BHAVAN DHARMASHALA**



**99 YATRA  
BANNER**

**Yatra Requirements (November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017)**

1. Yatris are required to complete 2 daily yatra trips (if possible).
  - a. Yatris can use doli two make daily yatra trips.
  - b. If Yatris cannot climb the mountain then they can complete a yatra at Taleti.
2. Yatris have to complete Chovihar and Navkarshi for all 60 days.
  - a. Yatris will receive blessings from Archarya Bhagwant.
3. Yatris will have a chance to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
4. Yatris are required to stay a maximum of two people per room.
5. Jiv Daya and other donations will be organized by the planning committee.
6. Note: The 99 Yatra Committee reserves the right to adjust or cancel the schedule based on the time and fund availability.

**Please plan accordingly so you don't miss this wonderful and auspicious opportunity**

**By: Narendrabhai Nandu**



## 2016 JAINA 99 YATRA

### SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

#### Description of Sponsorship Benefits

The Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra in 2016 will not be successful without the support of sponsors. Therefore, we have created the following sponsorship categories to hopefully create the incentive for you to donate to a very memorable, exciting, and auspicious event. Below is a list of possible sponsorship categories, however, donations will be accepted in any amount.

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

- Sponsors' names will be prominently displayed in the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra invitation card that will be sent to all North American Jain Centers.
- A photo of two family members will be displayed at the entrance of Dharmashala for the duration of the yatra.
- Sponsors' names and photos will be displayed in commemorative souvenir booklet.
- Sponsors will be the first ones to offer items to sadhus and sadhvis.
- Sponsors will wear a sash in recognition for their generosity.
- Sponsors will be identified to all yatris during a celebration in December.
- Sponsors will receive a **plaque** will be given in appreciation for support provided for the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra event.

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

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

#### Platinum - \$11,001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

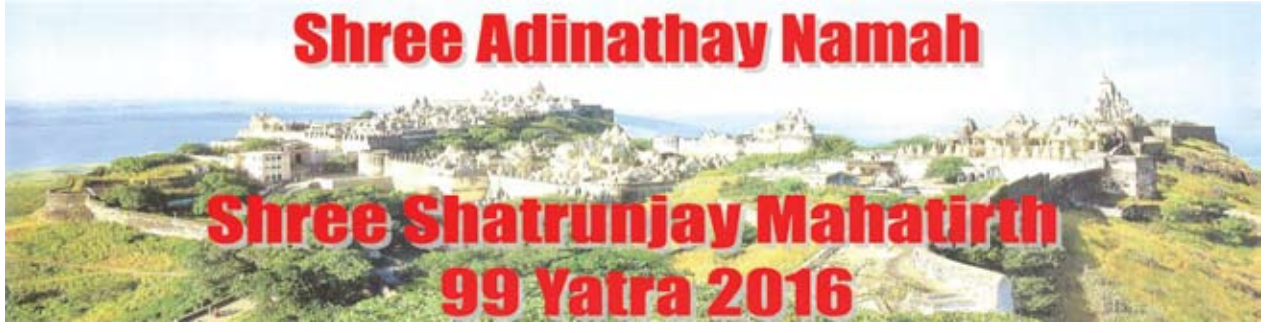
**Daily Sponsorship- \$1,001 [Any Number of Families Can Participate]**

- Sponsors' names will be displayed on the notice board of the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Office.
- Sponsors' names will be printed in commemorative souvenir book.
- Sponsors will receive recognition will be given daily during bhavna.

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

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### ગિરિરાજની નવ્વાણું યાત્રાની વિધિ :

- (૧) નવ્વાણું યાત્રા કરનારે નીચે દર્શાવેલ સ્થળે દરરોજ પાંચ ચૈત્યવંદન કરવાં જોઈએ.
  ૧. શ્રી ગિરિરાજ સન્મુખ જય તળેટીએ.
  ૨. શ્રી શાંતિનાથ ભગવાનના દેરાસરે
  ૩. શ્રી આદિશ્વર દાદાના મુખ્ય દેરાસરે
  ૪. શ્રી રાયણ પગલે
  ૫. શ્રી પુંડરીકસ્વામીના દેરાસરે
 એક એક વખત આ પાંચે સ્થાને સ્નાત્ર ભણાવવું જોઈએ.
- (૨) નવ્વાણું કરનાર નવ વખત નવટૂંકમાં જાય. દરેક ટૂંકમાં મૂળનાયક પાસે ચૈત્યવંદન કરવાનું હોય છે.
- (૩) ઘેટીની પાગે નવ વાર દર્શન કરે.  
૯૯ ગિરિરાજની + ૯ ઘેટીની પાગની = ૧૦૮ જાત્રા કરવી જોઈએ.
- (૪) આયંબીલ કરીને એક વાર બે જાત્રા કરે.
- (૫) ઉપવાસ કરીને એક દિવસમાં ત્રણ યાત્રા કરે.
- (૬) શક્તિ હોય તો ચઉવિહાર છઠ્ઠ કરીને સાત જાત્રા કરવી.
- (૭) શેત્રુંજી નદી નાહીને એક યાત્રા કરે. (ત્રણ ગાઉની)
- (૮) રોહિશાળાની પાયગાથી એક વખત યાત્રા કરે.
- (૯) એકવાર ગિરિરાજ પરનાં બધાં મંદિરોની પ્રદક્ષિણા કરે ત્યારે દોઢ ગાઉની પ્રદક્ષિણા પૂરી કરે.
- (૧૦) એક વખત છ ગાઉની પ્રદક્ષિણા કરે.
- (૧૧) એક વખત બાર ગાઉની પ્રદક્ષિણા કરે, કદંબગિરિ હસ્તગિરિની યાત્રા કરવી.

- (૧૨) શક્તિ મુજબ તપ કરવું તથા આવશ્યક ક્રિયા સવાર-સાંજ કરવી. બન્ને સમયે પ્રતિક્રમણ કરવું. બ્રહ્મચર્ય પાલન, સચિત્ત ત્યાગ, ભૂમિ સંથારો અને પગે ચાલીને યાત્રા કરવી.
- (૧૩) પ્રથમ જયતળેટીથી દાદાની ટૂંકે યાત્રા કરી, ઘેટીની પાગે દર્શન ચૈત્યવંદન કરી, પાછા દાદાની ટૂંકે આવી અને ત્યાંથી જયતળેટી આવવાથી બે યાત્રા ગણાય છે.
- (૧૪) દરરોજ એક યાત્રા દીઠ ૧૦ બાંધી નવકારવાળી ગણવી. જેથી નવ્વાણું યાત્રા પૂર્ણ થતાં એક લાખ નવકાર પૂર્ણ થાય.
- (૧૫) સ્વદ્રવ્યથી અષ્ટપ્રકારી પૂજા કરવી. નવ સાથિઆ, નવ ફળ, નવ નૈવેદ્ય દરરોજ મૂકવાં.
- (૧૬) શ્રી શત્રુંજય મહાતીર્થ આરાધનાર્થ કરેમિ કાઉસ્સગ્ગ કહી નવ લોગસ્સનો કાઉસ્સગ્ગ દરરોજ કરવો.
- (૧૭) હંમેશાં ત્રણ પ્રદક્ષિણા દેવી તથા એકવાર દાદાના મંદિરને ફરતી ૧૦૮ પ્રદક્ષિણા દેવી.
- (૧૮) નવ્વાણું પ્રકારની પૂજા એક વાર ભણાવવી તથા પ્રભુજીની આંગી રચાવવી.
- (૧૯) યથાશક્તિ રથયાત્રાનો વરઘોડો કાઢવો.
- (૨૦) એકવાર ૧૦૮ ખમાસમણાં અને ૧૦૮ લોગસ્સનો કાઉસ્સગ્ગ કરવો.
- (૨૧) એકવાર ગિરિપૂજન કરવું. જૂની તળેટી, શ્રી કલ્યાણ વિમલ દેરી, શ્રી મેઘમૂનિ સ્તુપ, શ્રી ગોડી પાર્શ્વનાથ દેરી ત્યાર પછી જય તળેટીથી માંડી રામપોળ સુધી જે જે પગલાં કે પ્રતિમાજીઓ છે તેની પૂજા કરવી.
- (૨૨) દરરોજ સિદ્ધાયલના નવ દુહા બોલીને નવ ખમાસમણાં દેવાં.



Dear Yatris,

Thank you for showing interest in this once in a lifetime event. **This Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra will begin on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and finishes on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Along with this spectacular event we would also like to announce that there will be Mala Ropan celebration. The dates for this Mala Ropan Celebration are December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016.** Also, within this letter you will find some very important information regarding this Yatra event and also you will find some rules and regulations that you will be expected to follow.

1. Please fill out your registration form and waiver & release of liability form with your check of **\$1,200.00** per person. Make the check payable to: **JAINA YATRA 2016-USA**. Please mail this to the following address:  
Arvind R. Shah  
6738 Woodcrest Dr.  
Troy, MI 48098
2. Yatris **must** provide **three passport photos** with your name and address on the back for security purposes.
3. Update your passport or visa well ahead of time of the actual 99 Yatra event.
4. While performing the 99 Yatra make sure you have your photo identification with you at all times. (Passport or O.C.I)
5. Please arrive to Palitana **one day** before the start of Yatra. Also please ensure your travel plans are fixed well in advance of this event.
6. Visit your doctor and make sure you are healthy enough to perform this event. Also if there are any medical vaccinations that need to be performed make sure they are done well in advance of the 99 Yatra event.
7. Also included with this informational packet there is a list of items that will be needed for this trip. Make sure you bring those items with as they will not be provided for you.
8. The items that you should not include are your passport, domestic or international air tickets, travelers check, money, luggage keys, and prescription medicine required while traveling.
9. Make sure your name and address is on all of your pieces of luggage.
10. Make copies of your valuable and important documents. Also keep these copies at your home.
11. JAINA or 99 Yatra committee will not be held responsible for your jewelry, cash, passport, cameras, laptops phone etc.
12. It will be your responsibility to convert foreign currency to Indian rupees for your use.
13. All Yatris must follow the dharmashala rules and regulations that will be discussed on the first day of the Yatra event.



## **GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PALITANA**

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

## **HOW TO REACH PALITANA**

### **By Air:**

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

### **By Rail:**

Palitana is on the meter gauge of the Western Railway and has a connection only with Bhavnagar. The nearest railway station connected with all parts of India is Ahmedabad. A special train available from Mumbai to Palitana.

### **By Road:**

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

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



**Tentative Dates: November 14, 2016 – January 13, 2017**

**Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra 2016**

**Registration Deadline: July 31, 2016**

**Registration Form**

(We can only accommodate a MAXIMUM of 175 people.)

**Room will be provided on FIRST COME FIRST BASIS OF PAID REGISTRATION.**

Please mail completed form with a check for \$1200 per yatri (Made payable to: JAINA 99 Yatra 2016 USA) to

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

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

Yatri's Name

Age

Interested in Sponsorship:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Circle Category)

**Mahasanghpati - \$25,001**

**Corporate Sponsor- \$15,001**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Platinum -Sanghpati \$11,001**

**Gold- \$7,501**

**Silver- \$5,001**

**Bronze- \$2,501**

**Daily- \$1,001**

Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Sponsor:**

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENT**

Emergency Contact Name & # (India): \_\_\_\_\_

**Attn: ANNAL**

Emergency Contact Name & U.S.A.): \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Jaya Travel & Tours**

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**24701 Swanson**

Total # of Yatris \_\_\_\_\_ X 1200 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsorship \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Southfield, MI 48033**

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached with this form.

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June 1, 2016

### WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Dear Yatris,

In consideration of being allowed to attend the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth- 99 Yatra in 2016 related events, activities, and programs, I acknowledge and agree that:

1. I, and the participants I am registering, will refrain from indiscreet, inappropriate, or destructive behavior which would detract from the positive image of Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth- 99 Yatra in 2016. I understand that failure to comply may result in exclusion from further participation in the event; and/or disciplinary actions as determined by the 99 Yatra 2016 Project Committee.
2. I accept full responsibility for the actions of all participants I am registering for the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth-99 Yatra event in 2016 related events, activities, and programs.

I, for myself, all participants I am registering, and on behalf of my and their families, heirs and assigns, do hereby covenant not to sue the JAINA & Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra Project Committee, and do hereby waive any claim against the 99 Yatra Project Committee, and release and discharge 99 Yatra Project Committee, its officers, agents, volunteers, employees, and sponsors from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, losses or damages on account of any discipline imposed for failure to comply with the Guidelines, and on account of any injury, including death and damage to property, whether caused by negligence or otherwise. I also give my authority and permission to the 99 Yatra Project Committee for taking any and all actions, which it seems necessary in the event of injury and/or damage to persons or property in my accomplishment. I permit the 99 Yatra Committee to use any of the information pertaining to my attendance, and the attendance of all participants I am registering, for its use, publication, and desire. I acknowledge that the 99 Yatra Project Committee or the Dharmashala does not maintain insurance covering my person, property, or liability, or the person, property or liability of participants I am registering, in regards to the 99 Yatra event. It is my sole responsibility to obtain any and all insurance covering losses incurred by me and participants I am registering while present at the Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth-99 Yatra in 2016.

I have read and fully understood the terms of this liability release.

Participants Signature & Date Signed:

\_\_\_\_\_

Participants Name (Print):

\_\_\_\_\_

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## Shree Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra 2016

### NECESSARY ITEMS:

- |                                  |                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| SHATRUNJAY BOOK                  | SOAP DISH (2)           |
| PANCH PRATIKRAMAN BOOK           | DRINKING GLASS (2)      |
| 9 -21-108 KHAMASANA BOOK         | COTTON BALLS            |
| SUDHARUS STAVAN BOOK             | FLASHLIGHT              |
| PUJA RUMAL                       | CANDLE                  |
| CHARAVALO                        | MATCH BOX               |
| KATASANU                         | THREAD AND NEEDLE       |
| STHAPANAJI                       | SCISSORS                |
| SAPADO –NAVKARVALI               | RUBBER HOT WATER BAG.   |
| MINIMUM FIVE PUJA CLOTHES        | HEATING PAD             |
| BATVO (WITH FIVE COMPARTMENT)    | WATER STRAINER          |
| SMALL POUCH                      | ALARM CLOCK             |
| SAMAYIK CLOTHES                  | ZIPLOCK BAGS            |
| NOTEBOOK OR PAPER                | AIR FRESHNERS           |
| PENCILS OR PENS                  | 2 COMBINATION LOCKS     |
| SCOTCH TAPE                      | LOCK AND KEY            |
| ENVELOPES                        | POWDER                  |
| NAVKAR COUNTER                   | LOTION                  |
| READING GLASSES                  | SHAMPOO                 |
| TROUSERS AND TOPS                | 4 TO 5 COMBS            |
| PANTS, SHIRTS AND THERMAL        | STRING FOR DRYING CLOTH |
| SARI- CHUDIDAR                   | HANGERS AND CLIPS.      |
| PAJAMAS                          | OLD CLOTHES             |
| UNDER GARMENTS                   | TOOTHPASTE              |
| 2 SWEATERs (2)                   | TOOTHBRUSH              |
| 2 SHAWLS                         | TONGUE SCRAPER          |
| LIGHT JACKET WITH HOOD           | DENTAL FLOSS            |
| SCARF, CAP, AND HATS             | Q-TIPS                  |
| 2 LIGHT TOWELS                   | NEELGIRI OIL            |
| 4 – 6 NAPKINS FOR DISH/ HANDWASH | MUKHVAS                 |
| BED SHEETS AND PILLOW COVER (2)  | CHURAN GOLI             |
| SMALL BAGS WITH ZIPPER (4)       | SUDERSHAN GOLI          |
| HANDKERCHIEF                     | BAKING SODA             |
| COLORED GLOVES AND SOCKS         | GINGER POWDER           |
| PASSPORT SIZE PHOTO (3)          | KESHAR BARAS            |
| SHOULDER BAG                     | ALMONDS                 |
| CANVAS SHOES                     | CAMERA                  |
| SLIPPERS OR CHAMPALS             | INDIAN CELLULAR PHONE   |
| PLASTIC BAGS (10 to 15 )         | NEW CALENDAR            |
| PLASTIC BOX (3 To 4)             | THUMB TACKS             |



## Medical Supplies

MEDICAL PRESCRIPTIONS  
TYLENOL  
BAND-AIDS

PEPTO-BISMOL  
COUGH SYRUP  
VAPOR RUB

BEN-GAY  
ASPIRIN  
TIGER BALM

FIRST AIDE KIT  
EYE DROPS  
ADVIL

## OFFERINGS FOR SADHUS/SADHVIS

COTTON SOCKS  
SHOWL (WHITE)  
READING GLASSES  
OPERATION EXP

ADVIL  
ASSORTED NUTS  
WATCH  
WRITING TOOLS

BEN-GAY  
HOT WATER BOTTLE  
MACHHARDANI  
DOLI EXP

MAGNIFYING GLASSES  
TYLENOL  
PAPER SUPPLIES  
BOOK EXP

## ITEMS TO PURCHASE FROM PALITANA

NINETY-NINE VIDHI BOOK  
CHAITYAVANDAN BOOK

RICE  
ALMONDS

SUGAR CUBES  
DARSHAN CHOVISHI

SALT  
FLOWERS

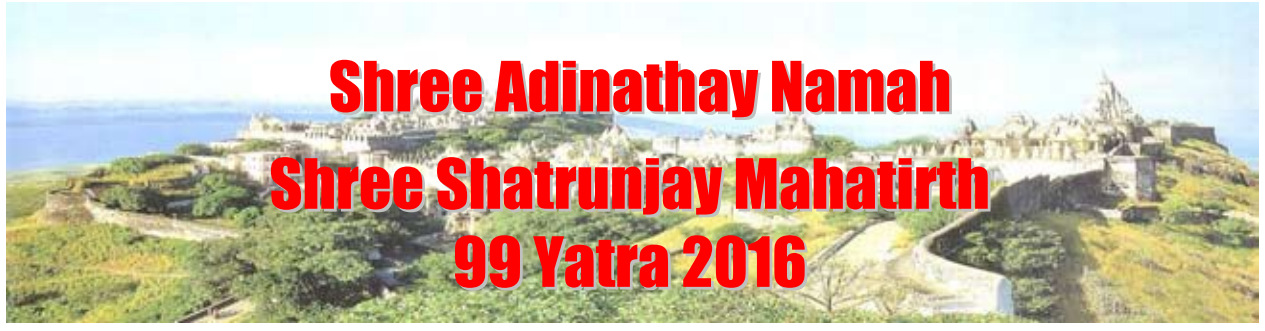
## NEW DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS

The trust managing Jain temples of Palitana have decided to implement a strict dress code for visitors. Starting in January 2013, people visiting the main Adeshwar Bhagwan temple atop the Shatrunjay hill, will not be allowed to enter the sacred location wearing jeans, shorts, skirts, or any other outfit that the trust managers deem "indecent." Anandji Kalyanji Trust, which manages close to 850 temples, say that the decision has been taken in wake of large influx of tourists, besides the regular devotees who visit Palitana for eight months in a year. Close to 1,000,000 people visit Palitana every year, besides the roughly 10,000 foreign tourists.

The trust will provide dresses to the tourists and pilgrims, who are seen wearing objectionable clothes. Men will be given lahenga and kafni, while women will be provided with salwar-kameez.

The Anandiji Kayanji Trust representatives stated that construction has started of separate changing rooms for men and women at Sagalpoint on the Shatrunjay hill. The trust will also ban the use of mobiles in the temple and the phones will have to be deposited at a specific location. A team of trust volunteers will ensure the enforcement of this dress code.

For more information contact the Anandiji Kayanji Trust.



# 99 YATRA PLACES & PROGRAMS

<u>ACHARYA BHAGWANT PRAVESH</u>	<u>JAI TALETI</u>
<u>TALETI SNATRA PUJA</u>	<u>BABU TEMPLE</u>
<u>ADINATH DARSHAN SNATRA PUJA</u>	<u>SAMAVASARAN TEMPLE</u>
<u>SHREE PUNDRICK SWAMI MANDIR SNATRA PUJA</u>	<u>SHATRUNJAY TEMPLE</u>
<u>SHREE RAYN PAGLA SNATRA PUJA</u>	<u>RAYAN TEMPLE</u>
<u>SHREE SHANTINATH DARSHAN SNATRA PUJA</u>	<u>NAVTUK</u>
<u>SIX GALI YATRA</u>	<u>CHHA GAUNI YATRA</u>
<u>MON AKADASHI PARVE</u>	<u>GHETINI BARI TEMPLE</u>
<u>GIRIRAJ PUJA</u>	<u>SHRI SHATRUNJAY DAM TEMPLE</u>
<u>DODH GAU YATRA</u>	<u>SHRI HASTAGIRI TIRTH</u>
<u>MALA ROPAN</u>	<u>SHRI BHANDRAIYA TIRTH</u>
<u>AGAM MANDIR</u>	<u>SHRI KADAMGIRI TIRTH</u>
<u>KESARIYAJI TEMPLE</u>	<u>TEEN GAU YATRA</u>

Note: The 99 Yatra Committee reserves the right to adjust or cancel the schedule based on the time and fund availability.



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS  
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