



# Shree Shree Anandamayee Sangha

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## *An Open Letter from The General Secretary (Officiating)*

30th November 2022

**To all my Guru Brothers and Sisters,**

**Jai Ma,**

A few days after the *Sanyam Saptah* held at Kankhal this year, Pujya Chandan di asked me to temporarily take up the post of the Officiating General Secretary of Shree Shree Anandamayee Sangha till elections are held in a rightful manner and a permanent person is assigned. This post was held by great names like Swami Parmananda Ji and Swami Swaroopananda Ji. By any stretch of the imagination, I cannot consider myself qualified or capable to hold this position. Despite my reluctance, Pujya Chandandi insisted that I should do my seva. I accepted her instructions albeit reluctantly, with her blessings and prayers at Shree Ma's feet. Now, that I have taken this responsibility, though a temporary one, I assure each one of you that I will devote my time, effort and energy and look forward to rendering selfless Seva and working with all of you in an amicable manner to resolve all issues.

However, I must make one request to all devotees- The way the meeting at Kankhal was conducted has deeply pained devotees all across the spectrum. We should be humble, courteous, and express love and care for one another and respect each other's views. We should follow Shree **Ma's very clear instructions** as under:

*On being asked something concerning the Delhi ashram Ma said, "Look Baba, I do not want your ashram, I do not want anything. I only say that you must also live together peacefully. I only want that pure emotions should develop and increase within you. All of you try to live in peace and happiness. If you talk of an ashram, that is again for your sake and you can make it. After all, the aim of the ashram is to increase the peace and happiness within each of you. If that is not achieved and only factions are created then what is the use of having an ashram? It is better not to have an ashram at all. There is joy only in your joy. If you speak of 'my ashram' then the whole world is but one ashram or the ashram is limitless."*  
*Page 82 of Gurupriya Disi's Diary Volume 6*

The Sangha alone by itself cannot make any change. This management will be devotee-driven and not EC or GS driven. Please come forward and take up responsibility and projects. Just a few EC members or a few devotees can do very little. The management welcomes all devotees to come forward and participate. We will be communicative and transparent.

As my First Step - I intend to start with a devotee's discussion group 'DEVT'. This will be a forum where all devotees will be able to connect online and share their ideas and inputs. I invite you to join the group 'DEVT' and as respected devotees raise your concerns politely, provide suggestions or find solutions. We all know most of the problems. We want to know what solutions you can bring forth and how you, as a devotee, will contribute, take ownership and shoulder responsibility. This ashram belongs to you, its problems and solutions will not come from outside of you.

We will meet with specific agenda once every month on a weekend. **The First Meeting will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec at 9.30 PM IST.** Minutes of the meeting (MOM) will be issued to participants and a monthly summary will be provided to all. So, let us all join hands and regularly interact with each other to take the Sangha forward.

Please click on this link and join <https://forms.gle/TceSCmjp5W41SJYU6> latest by 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 and fill up the small questionnaire so that we can plan well and have a well-planned and constructive meeting without digressing from the main topics.

Subsequently, we will be forming two more groups to take up specific issues as outlined below:

<b>Discussion Board ID</b>	<b>Group Description Timings 9.30-11.00 PM</b>	<b>Discussion Board ID</b>	<b>Group Description Timings 9.30-11.00 PM</b>
SEVA	Puja in ashrams and Seva activities that can be performed by devotees. Temples and Pooja Padhiti-where we will also encourage the Monk in charge of the Branch Ashrams, ascetic members etc. to participate in regular discussions.	LMC Coordination	Connecting with Local Management Committees (LMC) of different Ashrams (Only LMC members of Ashrams) Few LMC's in every meeting.

We as EC members will be in regular communication with you. We all need to work together and make our Ashrams an abode of '*Peace and Happiness*' as Ma wished. These are grounds where GOD lived, walked, and chose to enact HIS Leela. If we all resolve to make it glorious again, for ourselves and for future generations yet to come, then by HER Grace, it MUST happen because we are HER chosen children.

Please do not forget to click on this link <https://forms.gle/TceSCmjp5W41SJYU6> latest by 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 and join with all devotees in constructive group discussions.

Humbly yours,  
In the Lotus feet of Shree MA,

Vinay Goenka  
General Secretary (officiating)  
On behalf of the management



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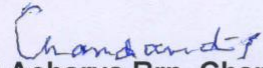
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The 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Jai Maa

### OFFICE ORDER

Consequent to the urgent situation arising out of the resignation from the post of General Secretary of the Sangha by Sri Ashish Choudhury and its acceptance with immediate effect, I, as the President of the Sangha, in pursuance of Rule 13 (IV) of the Memorandum of Association and the Rules and Regulations of the Sangha and in the exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 13 (I) thereof, hereby appoint Sri Vinay Kumar Goenka as the **Officiating General Secretary** of the Sangha with immediate effect. He shall hold the post till the next election of a new GB and EC.

  
( Acharya Brn. Chandandi)  
President

To

- 1) All GB/EC members
- 2) Other members of the Sangha
- 3) All Branch Centres of SSAS