

# We have it now! Our dream Hindu Cultural Precinct on the shores of Gold Coast

THERE are just a lot of reasons to celebrate. We had a dream of building a Hindu Educational and Cultural precinct in the midst of the buzzing Gold Coast. We are one step closer to fulfilling our dream. We have the Gold Coast City Council land in Arundel, Gold Coast.

*Nothing happens unless first a dream*  
Carl Sandburg

This is yet another achievement for the Gold Coast Hindu Cultural Association. We are headed in the right direction and it's inspiring, all our successes must be celebrated and form as stepping stones. This is a critical milestone for the GCHCA and the wider Hindu community in South East Queensland. The Gold Coast community is very excited.

We have a dream, we have the land, we have the building designs – We are all set to go!

**WE NEED YOU NOW**, everyone of you to walk the last mile with us holding hands, praying, singing and dancing. You have donated over \$320k in the last 7 months and we need much more to build your dream. Please join us, become a Founder Member – be part of this piece of history. This is your golden opportunity, as applications for the Founder Membership will cease forever after September 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.

If you would like to join us as a Founder member or be involved in some other capacity, please contact our Secretary Mr. S. Indrajit (email: [gchcan@gmail.com](mailto:gchcan@gmail.com) Mobile: 0434 600 814).

We are very excited to step into the new financial year and are hoping for new opportunities and growth. The Gold Coast Hindu Cultural Association (GCHCA) wishes that everyone be blessed with the very best for the rest of this year. We are



• Gold Coast City Council Land – area in red allocated to GCHCA

getting excellent support from well-wishers and patrons all over Australia and overseas. Thank you for everyone, who has generously donated to the worthy cause before the end of financial year and benefited from the tax rebate. We are delighted to report that with the support of the wider community our current bank balance has reached over \$320,000 in cash, which has encouraged us to be more dedicated towards accomplishing the goals. We are fortunate enough to be surrounded by like-minded people, who have similar vision and objectives to pro-

mote the values of Hindu culture and classical languages.

One of the objectives of the GCHCA is to promote Indian languages through educating the younger generations, who are on the verge of losing their cultural identity. As parents, it is our obligation to provide the opportunity for our children to learn our culturally enriched languages. Learning new languages is an art and it is proved that knowing more languages enable the children with significant benefits. While we encourage our children to learn foreign languages such as French, Japanese, and Mandarin etc. if we provide opportunity for

enormously assist them to easily understand and value our rich culture, heritage and religion. Because of the inherent advantage that we give them daily exposure, learning the mother tongue will relatively be an easy task for them.

With an intention to fulfill the religious, educational and cultural needs of the emerging Hindu community, the GCHCA is building a Hindu Education and Cultural Precinct in the Gold Coast. The construction of this precinct is our investment for the younger generations, who will be able to appreciate and enjoy our traditional Hindu values in the future. We invite the Hindu community in South East Queensland to join the GCHCA as Founder members or Life members and support the noble objectives of the Association.

We are currently in the process of preparing the documents, concept designs and drawings for this project. We welcome professionals like, architects, town planners, quantity surveyors, engineers (from various disciplines) and trades personnel, who can support the project by volunteering their expertise. We seek financial assistance from the community and every cent donated will make a difference towards fulfilling the vision of the Association. Please support by making tax deductible donations through credit card or bank transfer - visit our website ([www.GoldCoastHindu.org](http://www.GoldCoastHindu.org)) for more information and to donate online.

The GCHCA Building Donation Account: BSB: 064-474 Account: 1048 8900.

GCHCA holds monthly Bajans on the third Friday of every month from 7.15pm to 9.15pm at the Helensvale Community Centre, 31 Discovery Drive, Helensvale. We will be having our next Bajan on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2013.

Everyone is welcome to join.  
**Mr Rathinam Srinivasan**



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