

A Prosperous New Year Ahead - Update from GCHCA

2016, the new year, will be a momentous year in the history of Gold Coast Hindu Cultural Association (GCHCA). The main part of the Hindu Education and Cultural precinct will be developed this year.

Two phases of the project: 'Community Square' and 'Multipurpose Hall' work is expected to start in the early part of this year after signing the lease agreement for the with the Gold Coast City Council.

GCHCA is also happy to announce that they are in the final stages of preparing the Building Application for the iconic Education and Cultural precinct. Detailed project update and progress is available from the GoldCoastHindu.org website. Soil test has been carried out and building design work is progressing well. Comments and feedback from everyone is welcome.

We thank all the volunteers, supporters and well wishes for this project. Significant outcome related to detailed architectural design, structural design, hydraulic design, civil design, landscape design, mechanical design, electrical design, project planning and energy efficiency analysis has been achieved

through volunteers from Queensland and inter-state. Everyone is welcome to be involved in this historic project and make some contribution to facilitate our future generation. We would appreciate if any volunteers from range of professions (design, drafting, planning, project management etc) to come forward and assist us in this project. If you can volunteer your valuable time, please contact us on gchcan@gmail.com as soon as possible

In the next phase, we are in a drive for more funds for the Gold Coast Hindu Education and Cultural Precinct. All monetary contributions of \$2 or more to the GCHCA Building Fund will be eligible for a tax deduction.

The association has already raised over \$500,000 and continues to be bestowed with donations. However, the association is still far from achieving its target and the GCHCA needs your urgent support to fulfil its noble objectives with minimal impediments. The first phase of the project is estimated to cost around 1.5 million dollars.

We, therefore humbly appeal for your support. Any contribution would make a difference and every cent counts to-

wards helping our community realize its dream.

We are confident that anyone who gives to this cause would be abundantly blessed. Even if you can't contribute, you can still help through voluntary work and as mentioned earlier, we need members of the community to assist us for the engineering project as well as volunteers to maintain our website and help us in fund raising activities. If you have the capabilities, please contact us via email.

For more information about this project, please visit the GCHCA website on www.GoldCoastHindu.org. You are also more than welcome to contact the association's President, Secretary or Treasurer if you have any further queries.

All tax-deductible donations (\$2 or more) can be deposited into the following:

Commonwealth Bank Account:
The GCHCA Building Donation Account
BSB: 064-474
Account Number: 104 88 900

We wish you all for a Happy Thai Pongal and Makara Sankranti.