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MAHARAJA GANGA SINGHJI TRUST - 1972

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RAJYASHREE KUMARI OF BIKANER RELIGIOUS & CHARITABLE
TRUST-1972

PRINCESS ANUPAMA KUMARI PUBLIC CHARITABLE TRUST - 1986

During the course of year 2015 the major projects undertaken by the Trusts were: -

CENTENARY YEAR OF WORLD WAR I (1914 - 1918)



Since 2014 is the centenary year of World War I and worldwide it is being celebrated in different forms. Since Bikaner forces led by Maharaja Ganga Singhji of Bikaner actively engaged in World War I.

Therefore it was decided that the subject of exhibition during 2015 will be based on Bikaner Forces participation in World War I.

On 16th January 2015 an exhibition of photographs titled **“Bikaner State’s Services in World War I”** was opened by Princess Rajyashree Kumariji, Chairperson, Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust in Gallery No. 8 of Sri Sadul Museum. This exhibition

will run until December 2015.

INTACH, BIKANER CHAPTER MEETING

Recently the Executive Committee of INTACH Bikaner Chapter requested Princess Rajyashree Kumariji of Bikaner to become a Patron to the Chapter to which Princess Rajyashree Kumariji accepted.

A meeting of INTACH Bikaner Chapter was held under Patron-ship of Princess Rajyashree Kumariji on 6th February 2015 at Lallgarh Palace, Bikaner. The Executive Committee personally thanked Princess Rajyashree Kumariji for becoming the Patron of the Chapter.

The Convener informed that at present a project related to cataloging of



“Gochar” and “Oran” of Bikaner region is underway. It was discussed that cataloging of Heritage monuments and Havelis of Bikaner should also be conducted. It was further discussed that along the lines of Jaipur Heritage Walk, Bikaner Heritage Walk should also be developed. Programmes related

to creating awareness regarding conservation and restoration of cultural heritage should be conducted at schools and colleges levels.

LUNCH HOSTED FOR SIR ROY STRONG’S GROUP

Rajyashree Kumariji of Bikaner, Chairperson, hosted a lunch for Sir Roy Strong and his group on 12th Feb. 2015 at The Lallgarh Palace. In the group some were some very important personalities from the UK such as Viscount and Viscountess of Windsor, Prince Nicholas Von Preussen.

Sir Roy Strong is an English Art Historian, Museum Curator, Writer, Broadcaster and landscape Designer. He has been Director of both National Portrait Gallery and Victoria & Albert Museum in London. He was knighted in 1983.



VISIT TO PEDIATRICS DEPARTMENT OF P.B.M. HOSPITAL, BIKANER

On request of Dr. P.K. Bairwal, Head Pediatrics Department and Dr. P.C. Khatri, Former, Head Pediatrics Department, Princess Rajyashree



Kumariji visited Pediatrics Department of P.B.M. Hospital, Bikaner to inspect various equipments donated by Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji Memorial Foundation and Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust from time to time.

Princess Rajyashree Kumariji was given a round

of various wards of Pediatric Department and was pleased to note that proper cleaning and hygiene was maintained and all the equipments were in use and have been instrumental in saving several lives.

DONATION OF STRETCHERS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BIKANER

Police department responsible for Highway patrolling and Highway Ambulance service made a request to the Foundation for donation of portable stretchers for dealing with accident victims on the highways. Four portable stretchers were procured and donated for the welfare of such persons. Police department thanked the Foundation and its Chairperson for said donation and said that proper shifting and transportation of injured persons is very vital and at times proves life saving.

UNVEILING OF STATUE OF MAHARAJA GANGA SINGHJI OF BIKANER



The Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust commissioned a life size bronze statue of late Maharaja Sir Ganga Singhji. The statue was unveiled by Maharaja Gaj Singhji of Jodhpur on 1st November 2015 at Ganga Gardens, Lallgarh Palace, Bikaner in the presence of distinguished gathering.

A slide show with commentary by Princess Rajyashree Kumariji,



Chairperson of the Trust, on life and time of Maharaja Ganga Singhji was screened. It was followed by an address by Prof. L.S. Rathore, Former Vice Chancellor, J.N. Vyas University, Jodhpur in which he highlighted the achievements of Maharaja Ganga Singhji of Bikaner as

Builder, Soldier and Statesmen.

The Chief Guest, H.H. Maharaja Gaj Singhji of Jodhpur in his address spoke about relations of Jodhpur and Bikaner Royal houses, achievement of Maharaja Ganga Singhji and appreciated the installation of statue and the work carried out by Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust.

Thanks speech was given by Princess Rajyashree Kumariji, Chairperson of the Trust.



The event was well attended by the media fraternity of Bikaner and was well reported in all the leading papers of Bikaner next day.

ROYAL FABLES SEASON 7 AT MUMBAI

Ms. Anshu Khanna, founder of Royal Fables, invited Princess Rajyashree Kumari Bikaner as guest of honour to participate in the gala opening of the Mumbai edition, which took place on 8th December 2015 at St. Regis Hotel Mumbai.



Royal Fables, showcases the various creative and indulgent lifestyle forums of regal heritage and also presents an artesian luxury collection from over 40 palace ateliers across India. With a

number of important names attending the elegant do, Royal Fables has succeeded in preserving and recreating the aura of the bygone, regal era.

MAHARAJA GANGA SINGHJI TRUST

Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust was created by Late Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji of Bikaner in 1972 for public charitable and philanthropic purposes and to promote the development of the former Bikaner State with a view to promote cultural, educational, medical, and sports facilities.

Donations made by the Trust

As desired by the founder of the Trust, Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji, aid given as donations across many fields for philanthropic and charitable, scholarships and grants for other developmental works. The Maharaja Ganga Singhji Trust donated a sum of Rs. 35,00,000/- (Thirty Five lacs) during the course of this year.

KARNI SINGH FOUNDATION TRUST

Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji of Bikaner created this trust in 1971. The objects of the Trust are to provide help to the people of the Bikaner area, grant scholarships to brilliant students, Financial help to widows, disabled and elderly persons and grants to sportsmen.

Donations made by the Trust

During the year the trust donated a sum of Rs. 2.25 Lacs in the field of Education, sports and to under privileged persons of Former Bikaner State.

KARNI CHARITABLE FUND TRUST

Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji created this trust in 1958. The main objects of the trust are to give maintenance allowance to widows specially in rural areas, to donate money to the poor and needy persons, giving donations to Orphanages, Hospitals, Dispensaries and provides financial assistance in the marriage of poor girls.

Donations made by the Trust

During the year grants were made towards allowances to the widows in rural areas and aid towards the marriages of young girls from poor background from former Bikaner state.

MAHARAJA DR. KARNI SINGHJI MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Princess Rajyashree Kumari of Bikaner created this trust in 1999 in memory of her late father. This trust mainly concentrates in providing vital life saving medical equipment and medicines to the Paediatrics hospital at Bikaner and also to the Veterinary Hospital, Bikaner for animal welfare.

Donations made by the Foundation

Donation of two units of medical equipment costing Rs. 50,000/- (Fifty Thousand only) to the Pediatrics Department of P.B.M. Hospital, Bikaner for treatment of new born babies.

Donation of Rs. 22,000/- (Twenty Two Thousand only) to PETA India towards animal welfare activities.

Donation of four folding stretchers to Police Department for Highway Ambulance costing Rs. 10,500/= (Ten Thousand Five Hundred only)

The Foundation records its gratitude to Mrs. Alape Kaur for her generous donation during the year.

RAJYASHREE KUMARI OF BIKANER RELIGIOUS & CHARITABLE TRUST



15 girl students from various schools, who had achieved 60% or above marks in their annual exams were awarded scholarships for higher studies during the year 2014-15.

ANUPAMA KUMARI PUBLIC CHARITABLE TRUST

Late Maharaja Dr. Karni Singhji of Bikaner created this Trust in 1986. The main objects of the trust are to provide aid to the handicapped, welfare of animals, birds and other wild life.

Donations made by the Trust

Donation made towards the welfare of animals and upkeep of the Chicken shelter setup by the Trust in the memory of Maharaj Raj Singhji of Dungarpur.

Donation to Physically challenged persons towards purchase of wheelchairs.

Donation of medicine to the Veterinary Hospital towards birds and stray animals welfare.

The Bikaner Trusts, the Chairperson, trustees and staff of the trusts would like to thank all our friends, well-wishers and supporters and send them the season's greetings and good wishes for the New Year.

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