

Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of India

C/o Magen Hasidim Synagogue,
8, Moreland Road,

BOMBAY-11, INDIA

Dated May 13, 1964.

Dear Dr. Weiss,

Whilst submitting the Annual Receipt & Payment Statement, I offer my sincere apologies for the inordinate delay. A budget for the year 1964 has not been prepared because there is no new expected income or expenditure. The one submitted for the year 1963, could be considered good for this year as well. My Executive looks forward to receiving your Overseas Commission's continued support for all our activities.

Taking advantage of this opportunity, I am forwarding herewith an application from [REDACTED] for admission for Rabbinate. He is the student recommended for training in an American Yeshiva. A copy of [REDACTED]'s letter to Rabbi Lamm should give you an idea of his academic qualifications, etc.

There's another of our students, [REDACTED], who has secured admission for higher studies in the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, and two other Universities. It will be very much appreciated if you could let me know at your earliest if this student, who is Orthodox by conviction can receive financial or other assistance from the UOJCA. If this is out of the UOJCA's field. Could you recommend some other institution?

Following are a few questions on which we would like to have the RCA's rulings, preferably with reference to the Torah or later Rabbinic authority.

1. Can an unmarried woman, who has remained pregnant be married before the confinement to the man by whom she has remained pregnant? If so, can such a marriage be performed in a Synagogue?

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2. Can a non Jewish child who has not reached maturity (Boy 13 and Girl 12) be converted to Judaism? If so, is it necessary to inform the convert on reaching the age of understanding that he or she has been converted and take his or her consent?
3. Can a woman recite the Kaddish in Public if there is no such ^{male} near relative to do so?
4. If a woman leaves the shelter of her Husband's home and stays away indefinitely, after what period can the husband start Divorce proceedings? If the woman refuses to come before the Beth-Din for the Divorce, what action can the Beth-Din (which has no court powers) initiate? Can the husband be permitted to marry a second time, and after what period?

A year or so back, I had written to the Chief Rabbi of England to send me a few copies of his book on Laws of Marriage and Divorce. Although his Secretary promised to send me the required copies, he has not done so. Could it be possible for you to obtain atleast one copy for the use of our Union. There is absolutely no news about Tefillin from Israel. I wonder if certain other arrangements can be made to obtain atleast 100 pairs immediately?

Thanking you ever so much for all you are doing for us and with warmest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

A.D. Jhirad

(A.D. JHIRAD)
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UNION OF ORTHODOX JEWISH CONGREGATIONS
OF INDIA

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1963.

(RECEIPTS)

(PAYMENTS)

Rs. nP.
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OPENING BALANCES.

Cash in hand. 83=07

In current A/C
With National &
Grindlays Bank
Bombay. 1,589=19

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

MEBASSER

Ordinary Member-
ship 69=00

Patrons 250=00

FROM SYNAGOGUES 52=00

DONATIONS:

U.O.J.C.A. 2,365=50

Local 253=11

Hebrew Classes 220=00

2,838=91
Rs. 4,882=17
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Printing block
making etc. for
MEBASSER 1,733=75

Hebrew Education
Centres At Byculia
and Umerkhadi (paid
to Jewish Agency) 605=00

Salary of Hazan at
'Beth EL' Synagogue
Panvel. 210=00

Panvel Students
Education 100=00

Postages & Telegrams 191=69

Miscellaneous Expense 36=45

CLOSING BALANCES

Cash in hand 40=88

In current A/C
with National &
Grindlays Bank
Bombay. 1,964=40 | 2,005=28

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Rs. 4,882=17
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Saul S. Penkar

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VICE-PRESIDENT
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HON. AUDITOR
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