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Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans

TO: ASIAN-INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS

FROM: Dr. Albert V. de Leon, Executive Director *Albert de Leon*
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DATE: Sept. 28, 1988

SUBJECT: Updated Organizations List

Please find enclosed a copy of the report of the meeting of Sept. 10, 1988 and recommendations from the participants. Per request of the group we are also sending you an updated list of Asian-Indian Organizations. If you wish to change the mailing address or the name of the contact person please advise the Council.

Thank you.

cc. Sudhansu Misra
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Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans

ASIAN-INDIAN COMMUNITY LEADERS'
MEETING REPORT
o Sudhansu S. Misra

SEPTEMBER 15, 1988

We met with our Asian-Indian Community Leaders on September 10, 1988 from 10:00 AM - Noon at the Delites of India Restaurant in Minneapolis. Participants at this meeting are as follows:

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| * 1. Sudhansu S. Misra | 6. Suresh Venkataram |
| 2. Shaila A. Shirole | 7. Raja Seshadri |
| 3. Ram Gada | 8. Chad Sivasailam |
| 4. Neena Guda | 9. Valli Sivasailam |
| 5. Rakesh Agarwala | 10. Jacob Cherucheril |
| | 11. Daljit S. Sikka |

Staff present: Dr. Albert V. de Leon
Hoa P. Young

The purpose of this Saturday Meeting was twofold - 1) To inform the community leaders of the mission, goals and objectives of the Council; and 2) To secure their advice, counsel, suggestions and recommendations regarding the programs and tasks of the Council.

I welcomed the participants and reviewed the mission, goals and objectives of the Council. I encouraged the Asian-Indian Community Leaders to participate in the activities. Dr. de Leon, the Executive Director went over the Newsletter, pointing out the 14 Legislative Mandates, the different Council Members and Staff, and our first and second Leadership Awards. He also stressed the importance of closer working relationship between the Asian-Indian Community and the Council. Hoa P. Young, Community Liaison Representative presented the Council's coming events - a) September 24, 1988 AIDS Conference; and b) Fall Leadership Training. She also invited the Asian-Indian Community to submit their events so that they can be published in the monthly "Community News".

The participants talked about their respective organizations and shared information regarding their current and future activities. Highlights of the meeting was a discussion regarding the needs and issues of the Asian-Indian Community and proposed solutions. (A copy of which is attached). The group plan to meet quarterly with each organization hosting the meeting on a rotation basis.

Asian-Indian Community Meeting (cont'd)

* Representing:

1. Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans
2. Marathi Association
3. India Club
4. School of India for Language and Culture
5. Hindu Society of MN
6. Kannada Koota
7. Indian Music Society
8. Tamil Association
9. Tamil Association
10. Malayale Association
11. Sikh Society of MN

Recommendations and Concerns:

Cultural:

1. A Center to hold community events/meetings
2. A permanent facility for performances: dance, concert
3. Offer more cultural events
4. Provide cultural exposure to non-Asian population - get media involved.

Educational:

1. Libraries, both public and schools, need updated books on Asia, preferably written by Asians - thru recommendations from each Asian-Pacific community.
2. Asian culture not correctly and adequately represented in Schools.
3. Recognize Asian languages in school as part of curriculum.

Support System:

1. Guidance to Teens - concern over 2nd generation acculturation - and elderly population.
2. Youth Career Guidance (training, vocational/college preparation).
3. Provide technical assistance to organizations.
4. Community Support System.
5. Support to 300-400 adoptive families (suggestion; contact PIC, Hope, and Children and Home Society)

Others:

1. How to access political arena on a continuous basis.
2. Set up Emergency Funds for calamity and emergency needs.

ASIAN-INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN MN

India Club

1694 Como Ave.
St Paul, MN 55108

Contact: Stefan Peterson (P)
894-1273

Bengali Community

16655 Franchise Ave
Rosemount, MN 55068

Contact: Pranab Lahiri

Gujarati Samaj

6924 N. Upper 35th St
Oakdale, MN 55109

Contact: Punjabhai Patel
786-7252 (P)

Geeta Ashram

500 15th Ave. S.W.
New Brighton, MN 55112

Contact: Sant Arora (P)
633-0076

Hindu Society of Minnesota

1835 Polk St. N.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Contact: Pranab Lahiri
432-8829

Indo American Association

614 Ontario St.
Minneapolis, MN 55414

Contact: Aditya Gurajada
333-2345

Indian Music Society of Minnesota

P.O. Box 65
Minneapolis, MN 55458-0065

Contact: Raja Seshadri (P)
493-4540

Kannada Koota

624 Huron st #102
Minneapolis, MN 55414

Contact: Dr. Suresh Venkataram
379-8306

Malayale Association

2312 Towerview Circle
Bloomington, MN 55431

Contact: Jacob Cherucheril
(O)348-7706
(H)888-3599

Marathi Association

4527 Robin Circle
Robbinsdale, MN 55422

Contact: Shaila Shirole

Orissa Society of MN

210 E. 107th St. Circle
Bloomington, MN 55420

Contact: S.K. Dash
888-9644

School of Indian Languages & Culture (SILC)

147 14th Ave. S.W.
New Brighton, MN 55112

Contact: Neena Gada
636-1075

Sikh Society of MN

7419 Hyde Park Dr.
Edina, MN 55435

Contact: Daljit Sikka
(H)471-8711
(O)922-7211

Tamil Association of MN

1905 Tamarack Ln
Burnsville, MN 55337

Contact: Valli & Chad Sivasailam
894-6114

MN Telugu Association

403 E. Butler St.
Litchfield, MN 55355

Contact: Parthasaradhi Jakkula
1-693-2217

United Christian Club of India

7672 W. 84th St
Bloomington, MN 55438

Contact: Shirin Fridstedt
941-0731