



Congratulations to Swamiji

Pranam Gurudev, Dear Swamiji,

Many congratulations for receiving the prestigious Bharat Gaurav Lifetime Achievement Award. Thank you for spreading your love and light and the wisdom of Yoga across the world. Teaching of Sanatan Dharma and dedicating your life for the benefit of humans, animals and the environment is a light of love and knowledge and the way to peace, harmony, tolerance and respect for all on this planet earth and for the wellbeing of future generations.

South Africa



Swamiji first visited South Africa in 2002 where he participated in the United Nations World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, South Africa and the launch of the Desert Rainwater Harvesting Initiative.

Swamiji and many European and Australian disciples again visited South Africa in 2004 and 2005



as part of his World Tour where several public lectures, yoga workshops and retreats were attended by many.

In 2004 Swamiji was introduced at the public lecture to the citizens of Johannesburg by the Consul General of India Mr. Suresh Gaul, who respectfully noted the popularity of Swamiji's authentic teachings and the Yoga in Daily Life system. Swamiji spoke words of wisdom that South Africans had never heard before - about Yoga, Cosmic Consciousness and the Purpose of Human Life. He spoke lovingly, openly and freely, about faith in God, Self-Realisation and how to live daily life.



During the 2004 Paramhans Swami Maheshwarananda and the tour group also visited late Swami Sahajanandji, spiritual head of Divine Life Society in Durban, home of the greatest population of Indians in South Africa. During the visit Swamiji also had a meeting with late Fatima Meer, a great South African personality who devoted her life to the people of South Africa, fighting for their rights to achieve freedom and liberty.

Bishop Shembe – one of South Africa's revered and beloved Christian spiritual leaders with a following of 6 million devotees throughout all of Africa warmly welcomed Swamiji during his visit. Sri Swami Sahajanandji spoke some parting words to his friend, H.H. Swami Maheshwaranandaji: "I have learned about your great work Swamiji throughout the world and pray and hope that by the grace of God, your divine work will continue to progress."





The 2004 tour also included a Safari and everyone enjoyed the South African wildlife and nature with Swamiji during the retreat.

During the 2005 Tour, Swamiji met with the Ambassador of Republic of Croatia to South Africa, His Excellency Dr. Mitko Zupanic. A retreat at Itundla Game Lodge included yoga workshops, satsangs and many international guests and South Africans enjoyed and received Swamiji's blessings, love and wisdom.

