

Zone 5 Advisory

The escalated risk of spread of the coronavirus - no bhajans with immediate effect

Sai Ram dear all,

Over the past month, we have continued the bi-weekly bhajans at the Sathya Sai Centres as the incidents in the community were still limited and the source of infections could mostly be traced. We adopted several commonsense precautions to protect all those attending bhajans.

However, over the past few days we have seen a second reported outbreak in a local Buddhist temple and also a quick spread of the coronavirus to several countries other than China, and a growing number of deaths. Increasingly around the world, governments are advising against the gathering of large number of people. Additionally, some experts are now starting to use the word 'pandemic'. Thus, although the HK Government is now asking its employees to resume office-based work, we believe that it will be prudent to temporarily suspend both Sunday and Thursday bhajans and all Centre-based activities until there is greater certainty that the spread of the disease is controlled in Hong Kong and China. We pray to Bhagawan that this may happen soon.

We have yesterday spoken to a member of the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation and we have been advised to take the precautions best advised locally, including suspending bhajans if necessary.

Regrettably, we announce that with immediate effect, BHAJANS IN THE TSIM SHA TSUI SATHYA SAI CENTRE ARE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED. There will be no bhajans tomorrow, 27th February 2020, onwards until further notice.

We urge you all to continue to pray to Bhagawan in your homes and also to tune in to the programmes on Radio Sai, Asia Stream <https://media.radiosai.org/www/>

With Loving Sairams,
The Trustees of Santhi Nilayam and the Committee of the Sathya Sai Baba Centre of Hong Kong