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14th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SIRPIGAL



DATE: SATURDAY, 31st July 2021

TIME: 11.00AM

VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

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AGENDA

1. President's Opening Address
 2. To confirm the Minutes of the 13th Annual General Meeting held on 26th September 2020.
 3. To receive and adopt the Annual Report ending 31st March 2021
 4. To receive and adopt the Statement of Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 2021
 5. To approve the amendments to the Constitution.
 6. To consider any motions or resolutions of which at least one week's notice had been given in writing to Hon Secretary.
 7. To consider any other matters
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Kumaran RN
Secretary

IMPORTANT NOTICE

ONLY FULLY PAID ORDINARY MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PROPOSE, SECOND OR SHOW OF HANDS ON ANY MATTER

- Members please pre-register with Secretary for the virtual AGM to obtain the login password.



**MINUTES OF THE 13th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 11AM
VIA ONLINE PLATFORM (ZOOM)**

The meeting started at 11.00 am. 32 proxy forms were received by 23rd September 2020, and 16 members were virtually present during the AGM.

1 President's Address

- President thanked the members for attending the AGM and continuous support.
- Some key events:
- Mr Baey Yam Keng, Parliament Secretary in the Ministry of Transport was present at our Tamil Language Programme held last April 2019 at the Maritime Gallery, entitled "The Sea Journey", provided an insightful information on how Singapore developed its sea trade. Mr Baey stressed the importance of the sea-trade to the economy of Singapore to the 60 enthusiastic student participants.
- A reading program in collaboration with the National Library Board, at Darul Ihsan Orphanage was undertaken in July 2019. The Guest of Honour Mr Sitoh Yih Pin, MP for Potong Pasir was happy to have graced a meaningful programme. As result of the program, students at the Orphanage expressed interest in organising a similar program to other under-privileged children. We had linked them to the Malay language section at NLB for co-ordination. We are very grateful to Ms Nirmala and her friends for arranging gifts for the 80 young girls at the Orphanage, which was much appreciated by the girls.

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- We had a good year for Deepavali programs. Our Deepavali program at Gambas CC was a challenging one. All the CCs located at Yishun were holding their respective Deepavali programs on the same Saturday. Despite this, we managed to put up a lively programme. Mr Ong Ye Kung, Grassroots Adviser for Gambas CC thanked us for putting up an entertaining programme.
- Although, we are financially stable, we were disappointed that we had to postpone our fund-raising event “Pattiya Kilappu” in February this year due to Covid-19. We are hoping to plan the event in 2021-2022.
- Members have suggested putting aside some money in FD and the committee wanted to wait till the fund-raising program in 2020, which was now on hold because of Covid-19. The team will work with auditors on this issue immediately.
- Two ordinary members and two associate members have resigned from the Society. One ordinary member who resigned due to his work patterns thanked Sirpigal for providing him opportunities in areas of volunteerism and to take on various roles in event planning – a wonderful experience which would remain in his memory and urged Sirpigal to mould more youths in community work and keep up the good work.
- President thanked members’ children for enthusiastically participating in NLB’s Read Books for Charity drive program this year. A total of 15 books were received as a result of the event.
- Sirpigal also sponsored refreshments for 100 health care staff at Ng Teng Fong Hospital during this Covid-19 period, a gesture which was warmly welcomed by the Hospital
- As part of Deepavali celebrations, Sirpigal sponsored refreshments for 80 children at Pertapis Home, and 150 senior residents at Thye Kwan Moral Home located at Telok Blangah.

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- Sirpigal is immensely grateful to Mr Lukshumayeh, President Ceylon Sports Club, for giving us a rental waiver for 4 months (April –July) during the Circuit Breaker and waiving off GST charges from rental during this pandemic.
- President thanked members Dr Kathir and Kumaran RN for coming forward to make a donation for the fund-raising program which has been postponed. He also thanked publicity secretary Veerasekar for his hardwork in improving our publicity efforts on Facebook, Whatsapp and our website.
- As this is an election year for Sirpigal and at close of play of nomination on 17th September 2020, we received 11 nominations thus there will no election. However, the committee will be re-looking at some of the roles of the committee members to enhance ourselves to brace this difficult time.
- President also placed his sincere thanks to all our members, volunteers, and artistes who have been a great support and backbone on many occasions and stood by him for 14 years. He appreciated the support and donations from the committee members, for without them, he would not have been able to function so effectively during this pandemic period.
- President announced that as part of renewal of leadership, he will be stepping down from his post as President and strongly recommended Ms RG Thiruselvi for the post of President, subject to the full consensus of the new Committee.

2 Confirmation of 12th AGM Minutes held on 26th September 2019

- 2.1 Mr Palani proposed and Ms Taminthi seconded in the adoption of the 12th AGM minutes.

3 Adoption of 13th Annual Report for 31st March 2020

- 3.1. Mr Tharmaraj proposed and Mr Balu seconded the adoption of the Report.

4. Adoption of 13th Statement of Accounts for 31st March 2020

- 4.1. The Statement of Accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2020 was adopted

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by the 32 proxies.

- 4.2 The Statement of Accounts was adopted with a proposal from Mr Bala and Mr Pandiyan

5. Any other matters

- 5.1 Sirpikal's long-time members and friends Mr Bala, Mr Balu, Mr Pandiyan and Mr Tharmaraj wished the committee well especially the current committee for its work well done over the past 13 years.
- 5.2 They wished the new committee well and hoped that it would continue the current legacy and bring the society to the next level of progress.
- 5.3 Mr Bala complimented President for his decision on renewal of leadership and that we can overcome the tough times with leadership succession.
- 5.4 Mr Balu suggested that we work with the auditor Mr Subra on the issue of fixed deposit.

Minutes recorded by: **KUMARAN RN**
SECRETARY, SIRPIGAL

Vetted by: **MS RG THIRUSELVI**
PRESIDENT, SIRPIGAL



14th Annual General Meeting Report

The Management Committee is presenting both its Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending March 2021.

1. The New Committee Line-Up

President: Ms RG Thiruselvi

- Proposed by: Mr M Kunaseakanan
- Seconded by: Mr Kumaran RN

Vice-President: Dr M Kathiresan

- Proposed by: Mr M Kunaseakanan
- Seconded by: Ms RG Thiruselvi

Secretary: Mr Kumaran RN

- Proposed by: Ms RG Thiruselvi
- Seconded by: Ms Akila Ramu

Asst Secretary: Ms S Janagi

- Proposed by: Ms S Taminthi
- Seconded by: Mr M Veerasekar

Treasurer: Mr M Kunaseakanan

- Proposed by: Ms S Janagi
- Seconded by: Dr M Kathiresan

Asst Treasurer: Ms K Brindha

- Proposed by: Mr M Kunaseakanan
- Seconded by: S Taminthi

Publicity Secretary: Mr M Veerasekar

- Proposed by: Mr Kunaseakanan
- Seconded by: Ms K Brindha

Committee Members: Ms S Taminthi

Ms Akila Ramu
Ms Sujatha Subbaiyan
Mr K Palaniappan Chettiar
Mr "Sivaji" M Asokan (co-opted)

2. Management Committee Meetings

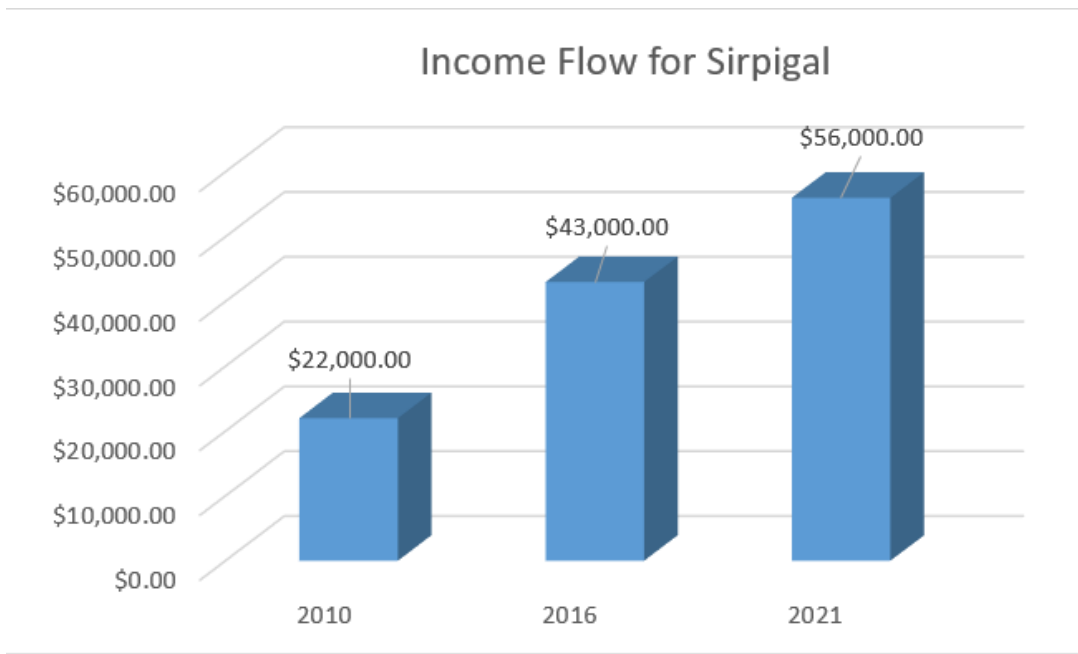
The Management Committee had 6 meetings during the reporting term to discuss, plan and carry out the Society's activities.

3. Membership

Total membership stands at 70 as at 31st March 2021 with 49 ordinary members, 15 associate members and 6 life members.

4. Finance




The financial position of the society as at 31st March 2021 is stable. The committee will endeavor to ensure that the financial position of the Society remain desirable.





5. **Initiatives**

We had a relatively quiet year due to COVID19 restrictions. Nevertheless, we were able to organize six initiatives benefitting the front liners, vulnerable communities and the public.



Calendar of Events for Sirpikal for April 2020 – March 2021

No	Date	Event
1	4 May 2020	<p>Distribution of lunch to frontline medical staff in Ng Teng Fong Hospital</p> 
2	25 July 2020	<p>Read For Books Charity Drive – a collaboration with NLB</p>
3	5 November 2020	<p>Deepavali Goodies Distribution: Pertapis Home</p>  

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4	26 November 2020	<p>Deepavali Goodies Distribution: Thye Hua Kwan Moral Home</p> 
5	5 December 2020	<p>Sirpigal's Beach Cleanup @ East Coast Park</p> 

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6	12 December 2020	<p>Thamizhodu Uravaadu as part of the annual Tamil Language Festival event</p>  
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6. Post-AGM Programmes

- Mental Wellness Webinars
- TLF online programme
- Collaboration with TRC Youth Wing
- Collaboration with NLB
- Tentative fund-raising event to commemorate Sirpikal's 15 year anniversary

7. Social Media

We have taken a more proactive role on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Youtube), including engaging videos, contests with public voting, webinars, exclusive FB livestream of online shows, publicity posters and e-greetings. In these unprecedented times, we are looking for new ways to connect with people and collaborate with organizations. Thanks to the committee for working hard on various fronts to make this possible.

8. CONCLUSION

The Management Team would like to thank all members, well-wishers, supporters, artistes, and volunteers for their continued support and motivation.

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**KUMARAN RN
SECRETARY, SIRPIGAL**

PROPOSED BY:

Name & Signature

SECONDED BY:

Name & Signature

CONFIRMED BY:

Name & Signature

DATE: _____