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TAJ MAHAL at Agra
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VARANASI Sightseeing

VARANASI, INDIA
24-25 OCTOBER

PROGRAMME

DAY 1: SATURDAY 24, OCTOBER

06:00 am	Bed tea
07:30 - 08:30 am	Breakfast
08:40 - 09:00 am	Meditation by U.S. Pandey
09:00- 09:15 am	Lighting of the Lamp and Candles
09:15 - 09:25 am	All Religions Prayers
09:25 – 09:27 am	Chanting of Mantras from Shanti Sukta, Rigved by Manju Sundaram
09:27 - 09:32 am	Welcome address by Indian Section President
09:32 - 09:37 am	Welcome address by Greek Section President
09:37 - 09:52 am	Greeting from various Theosophical Section Worldwide
09:52 - 10:00 am	Announcements
10:00 - 10:20 am	Journey Through a Transformative Decade at Indian Section Pradeep H. Gohil - <i>President of the T.S. in India</i>
10:20 - 10:40 am	The Journey of 100 Years of the Greek Section Erica Georgiades - <i>President of the T.S. in Greece</i>
10:40 - 11:20 am	The One Flame: Kindling the Divine Within Stephen McDonald - <i>President of the T.S. in Australia</i>
11:20 - 11:40 am	Tea/Coffee/ Lemon Squash/Snacks Break
11:40 - 12:20 am	Finding Our True North: Discovering Inner Wisdom for Daily Life Charlton Jules P. Romero - <i>President of the T.S. in the Philippines</i>
12:20 - 01:00 pm	Living Intelligently Narendra Shah - <i>President of the East & Central African Section</i>
01:00 - 01:40 pm	Nurturing the Divine Seed Isis Resende - <i>International Lecturer</i>
01:40 - 03:00 pm	Lunch Break
03:00 - 03:40 pm	Our Possibilities Svitlana Gavrylenko - <i>President of the T.S. in Ukraine</i>
03:40 - 04:20 pm	Journeying from Ignorance to Knowledge Vibha Saksena - <i>International Lecturer</i>
04:20 - 04:40 pm	Tea/Coffee Lemon Squash/Snacks Break
04:40 - 05:20 pm	The Nature of Acceptance Richard Sell - <i>President of the T.S. in New Zealand</i>
05:20 - 06:00 pm	The Inner Life and Theosophy Francisco Sánchez Fornaguera - <i>President of the T.S. in Cuba</i>
07:00 - 08:00 pm	Cultural Programme
08:00 - 09:00 pm	Dinner

PROGRAMME

DAY 2: SUNDAY 25, OCTOBER

06:00 am	Bed tea
07:30 - 08:15 am	Devotional Meeting (Bharat Samaj Pooja or ES)
08:30 - 09:30 am	Breakfast
09:30 - 10:10 am	Preparing to Go Beyond Manuela Kaulich - <i>President of the T.S. in Germany</i>
10:10 - 10:50 am	How to Kindle the Spark Within? Pradeep H. Gohil - <i>President of the T.S. in India</i>
10:50 - 11:30 am	Self-Knowledge and Enlightenment: In Dialogue with Sanatana Dharma and the Hellenic Traditions Erica Georgiades – <i>President of the T.S. in Greece</i>
11:30 – 11:50 am	Tea/Coffee/ Lemon Squash/Snacks Break
11:50 - 12:30 pm	Listening to the Voice of Silence, Speaking from the Heart: Learning to Live Theosophy Otavio Ernesto Marchesini - <i>President of the T.S. in Brazil</i>
12:30 - 02:00 pm	Lunch Break
02:00 - 02:40 pm	The Key to the Light Within N. C. Krishna - <i>Vice President of the Indian Section and International Lecturer</i>
02:40 - 03:20 pm	The Law of Harmony and Perfect Balance Leonor Maldonado Ruiz - <i>President of the T.S in Mexico</i>
03:20 - 03:40 pm	Tea/Coffee/ Lemon Squash/Snacks Break
03:40 - 04:20 pm	Illusion Paves the Way to Kindle the Spark Within Prof. C. A. Shinde - <i>Theosophical Author and Lecturer</i>
04:20 - 05:00 pm	Question and Answer Session
05:00 - 05:30 pm	Closing of the Conference Expression of Gratitude by host Lodge President Dr. Kumud Ranjan Vote of thanks by host federation President Bro. U.S. Pandey Vote of thanks by Greek Section President Vote of thanks by Indian Section President
08:00 - 09:00 pm	Dinner

End of Conference

DAY 1

10:40 am

-11:20 am

24.10.2026

The One Flame: Kindling the Divine Within

Stephen McDonald President of the T.S. in Australia

This presentation explores the conference theme, “Kindle the Spark Within,” through a profound passage quoted by H. P. Blavatsky in *The Secret Doctrine* from an Occult Catechism. In this dialogue, the disciple perceives “one Flame” and “countless undetached sparks,” and comes to realise that the light shining within himself is not different from the light shining in all humanity. The talk will examine the Theosophical vision of the One Life, the divine spark within every being, and the spiritual implications of recognising our fundamental unity beyond the apparent divisions created by personality, karma, and circumstance. The talk will suggest that to kindle the spark within is to awaken to the One Flame that shines in all beings and to express that realisation through wisdom, compassion, and service.

WHO IS

Stephen McDonald has been a member the Theosophical Society since 1976 and is currently the National President of the T.S. in Australia. With a background in natural therapies and tertiary education, he holds a Master of Health Science from the University of Newcastle. Stephen is passionate about bringing the wisdom of theosophy to life - showing how its timeless insights can illuminate the challenges of our modern world.



DAY 1

11:40 am

-12:20 pm

24.10.2026

Finding Our True North: Discovering Inner Wisdom for Daily Life

Charlton Jules Romero President of the T.S. in Philippines

In a world filled with competing external demands and complex life challenges, how do we remain anchored to our authentic purpose?

Let us explore the “Higher Self” as an inner compass. By synthesizing ageless wisdom with modern leadership principles, this session teaches us to tap into our “spark within”—a quiet, authoritative source of clarity. Learn practical techniques to cultivate this inner wisdom, transforming how we navigate relationships and professional responsibilities toward a life of greater integrity and harmony.

WHO IS

Charlton Jules Romero (“Chally”) is the National President of the Theosophical Society Philippines. He is chairman of the board of trustees of Golden Link College Foundation, Inc., The Theosophical Order of Service – Philippines, and Green Earth Foundation, Inc.

He also served as Vice-President of the TS Indo-Pacific Federation.

A lawyer, professor, and MBA holder currently pursuing a PhD in educational leadership and management.

DAY 1

12:20 pm

-01:00 pm

24.10.2026

Living Intelligently

Narendra Shah

President of the T.S. in the East & Central African Section

The talk will touch on the type of life humanity generally lives. In the early stages, everyone is after the basic needs of food, clothing and shelter. Then it is material possessions and sensory pleasures. A life of excitement and worldly pleasures – wealth, position and power.

Humanity realizes that all these comforts and conveniences, possessions and pleasures, are only fleeting and impermanent. It is an important evolutionary stage to practically understand and experience that there is much more to life than this physical world of illusions. A true seeker will question the purpose of life and the real nature of things. This leads to an inner exploratory journey by going within, understanding the oneness of life. We will try to 'journey together' and thus hope to **Kindle the Spark Within**.

WHO IS

Narendra Shah was born and brought up in Nairobi. He joined the Theosophical Society in Nairobi in 1971.

Narendra has been the Chairman of the Nairobi Lodge for several years and currently is the General Secretary of the East & Central African Section.

Narendra was the Secretary of the 7th World Congress of the Theosophical Society, hosted by Nairobi Lodge in 1982 and has given talks in several Sections of the TS world.



DAY 1

01:00 pm

-01:40 pm

24.10.2026

Nurturing the Divine Seed

Isis Resende

International Lecturer

The Divine Seed is already within us; it is our true nature. The problem is that, when incarnated, in denser bodies, we "forget" our true nature, our Divine Seed. The Mahatma Letters offer various tips to help us to "remember" our true nature. This remembrance depends largely on the way we live, so that we may remove the causes of our psychic weakness. We will explore the tips given by the Mahatmas to help us in this solemn journey.

WHO IS

Isis Resende, from Brazil, is a lawyer and has been a member of the Theosophical Society since 1968. She is an international speaker specializing in such subjects as meditation, the teachings of H. P. Blavatsky, the Mahatma Letters, and Jungian ideas on dreams and symbols. From 2014 to 2021 she was the President of the Interamerican Theosophical Federation. She is also a member of the National Board of Directors of the Theosophical Society in Brazil. She is an international speaker, having delivered lectures in 36 countries around the world.

DAY 1

03:00pm
- 03:40pm

24.10.2026

Our Possibilities

Svitlana Gavrylenko President of the T.S. in Ukraine

Let's try to understand our possibilities. The world is full of possibilities. Nature's generosity is manifested in the fact that she always has everything she needs in abundance. If we use a physical term, we live in a field of possibilities. They surround us everywhere and always. But not all of them are noticeable to us, we do not pay attention to all of them. What does this depend on?

Buddhism and Taoism teach that in one life a person can become a Buddha, gain enlightenment. Do we see these possibilities around us? Do we know those who have achieved this goal? So, the possibilities exist, but they must be noticed and realized.

A high aspiration of a person, a noble dream aimed at the common good, especially if it corresponds to the laws of evolution and the divine Plan, includes a whole host of helpers on the subtle plane of existence. Thus, consciously choosing and realizing our possibilities of selfless service to the common good, we learn to cooperate with the forces and entities of the Universe. An undeniable fact for a worker of Light is that accepting responsibility opens up new opportunities. And we will be able to implement them only by joining our efforts as one family, as brothers and sisters. This will add joy to us.

WHO IS

Svitlana Gavrylenko, from Kyiv, Ukraine, is a TS member since 1998, and is the General Secretary TS in Ukraine. Ph.D. in mathematics, Associate Professor. Head of organizing Committee of annual International Forum "Spiritual Development for Man and Society". Head of the Counsel of Committee for Ethics and Humanitarian Expertising.



DAY 1

03:40 pm
-04:20 pm

24.10.2026

Journeying from Ignorance to Knowledge

Vibha Saksena International Lecturer

Since ages man has been taught by his spiritual teachers that he is neither his mortal body, nor his transient mind; he is an eternal, divine being—a spark of the Universal Divine—manifesting through various layers of matter. The irony is, we know this and yet “we do not know” what we know. This is ignorance.

The divine spark is manifest through the form of man. But man is a transient being, he is “work in progress” and knowledge is “ignorance in progress.”

The spark has undertaken a cosmic pilgrimage to arrive at the truth of its own being. This is the journey from ignorance to knowledge.

WHO IS

Vibha Saksena is an international speaker of the TS and national lecturer of the Indian Section. Vibha holds a Master's degree in Computer Science Engineering and worked in the IT sector. She joined the Theosophical Society in 2015, in search of the meeting grounds of science and spirituality. She is a member of Noida Lodge and committed to the study and spread of this knowledge.

DAY 1

4:40 pm

- 5:20 pm

24.10.2026

The Nature of Acceptance

Richard Sell President of the T.S. in New Zealand

As humans we tend to try and control circumstances around us to get the best outcome for our self and our family. We tolerate others so long as they go along with our plans, but all this inevitably ends in conflict and unhappiness. By displaying tolerance and acceptance in our actions we find that we are both healthier and happier. We find our lives are richer and lived in a more harmonious mode.

This presentation explores tolerance, forgiveness, regret and holding the right attitude to achieving both inner and outer harmony.

WHO IS

Richard Sell comes from a theosophical family in New Zealand and joined the Theosophical Society as a teenager. Richard loves all things theosophical, but he is especially interested in the self-awareness and transformation process that is undertaken by the individual and how this can be applied in everyday living. He is a history buff, and theosophical history is near to his heart.

Richard is the President of the Indo-Pacific Federation and National President of the New Zealand Section. He has been a member of the New Zealand Governance Board since its inception and holds an MBA, gained with Distinction.

Richard is a National and International speaker; he contributes articles to theosophical magazines and is very active in promoting theosophy as a founder of theosophy.world resource website.



DAY 1

05:20 pm

- 06:00 pm

24.10.2026

The Inner Life and Theosophy

Francisco Sánchez Fornaguera President of the T.S. in Cuba

This presentation will explore the inner life in the light of Theosophy, examining what H. P. Blavatsky, Annie Besant, and other Theosophical authors have taught on this subject.

WHO IS

Francisco Sánchez Fornaguera, from Cuba has been a member of the Cuban Section of the Theosophical Society since 2006. He currently serves as National President and has held leadership positions in several Lodges. He helped revive the Cuban Theosophical journal and Young Theosophists, served on the National Council, and continues to support Theosophical work throughout Cuba despite challenging circumstances.

DAY 2

09:30 am

-10:10 am

25.10.2026

Preparing to Go Beyond

Manuela Kaulich President of the T.S. in Germany

What are the basics, the starting points? Ordinary people, people like you and me, people interested in Theosophy and wishing to expand their consciousness, are searching. They have realized that there must be a deeper level. The superficialities we engage in in our daily lives no longer satisfy us. They no longer hold any meaning. On the other hand, not everyone is ready to take on more responsibility, forgo pleasure, or make sacrifices. What is needed?

In this talk, I would like to discuss how we can prepare ourselves, regardless of our current state of consciousness.

WHO IS

Manuela Kaulich studied architecture in Munich and manages an electrical engineering design firm with twenty employees. A member of the Theosophical Society since 1989, she has served as General Secretary of the German Section since 2008. She founded Theosophical groups in Regensburg and Munich and organizes conferences, public meetings, and monthly online lectures. In addition to contributing to the publication of the Adyar booklet, she represents the German Section internationally and has lectured in several countries and online. Her interests include the development of spiritual faculties, the study of thought-forms, and the teachings of *The Voice of the Silence* and the *Bhagavad Gita*.



DAY 2

10:10 am

-10:50 am

25.10.2026

How to Kindle the Spark Within?

Pradeep H. Gohil President of the T.S. in India

In an age of unprecedented scientific achievement and material progress, humanity continues to search for lasting peace, purpose and inner fulfilment in my address on this topic I have tried to rediscover an eternal truth proclaimed by the sages of every age—that the light capable of transforming the world is first awakened within the human heart.

Drawing upon the timeless wisdom of Theosophy, the Upanishads, the Bhagavad Gita, The Secret Doctrine, The Voice of the Silence, and the inspiring teachings of H. P. Blavatsky, Annie Besant, C. W. Leadbeater, N. Sri Ram, Radha Burnier and J. Krishnamurti, I have explored the nature of the divine spark that resides within every human being and the means by which it may be kindled into a radiant flame.

Through profound insights, inspiring stories and practical spiritual disciplines, the talk examines self-knowledge, meditation, purity of motive, compassionate living, selfless service and inner silence as indispensable steps on the path of awakening. It reminds us that spirituality is not an escape from life but a transformation of consciousness that reveals the essential unity of all existence.

The address culminates in a heartfelt call to move beyond the accumulation of spiritual knowledge towards its living expression. As each individual awakens the hidden light within, that light becomes a source of wisdom, love and healing for the whole of humanity. The greatest contribution we can make to the world is not merely to speak of Truth, but to become living centres of its light, allowing the eternal Flame within to illumine every thought, every relationship and every act of service.

WHO IS

Pradeep Gohil, President of Indian Section of the Theosophical Society from January 2017, did his schooling from Bhavnagar, graduated from a school in California as AFS Scholar, studied Chemical Engineering from BITS - Pilani, did M.S. in Chemical Engineering, M.S. in Plastics and MBA from USA. Worked there for eight years, returned to India and got a degree in Law. He worked as Plant Manager of Associated Rubber Industries and as Senior Vice-President of Excel Industries.

He joined Theosophy at Bhavnagar Lodge in 1982, has been on the Indian Section Council from 2011, Executive Committee from 2015, General Council from 2017 and International Executive Committee from 2018. He has addressed annual conferences of most Indian Federations, a conference at Naarden in Netherlands, the World Conference of Theosophy at Singapore and the Belgian Section in Belgium.

He has concentrated on propagation of Theosophy in Schools & Colleges and in the NGOs, resulting in an increase of membership of more than 50% in the Indian Section of T.S. in 10 years. He has also made the membership transparent and easily accessible. He has made Indian Section financially very strong by innovative ideas. He has upgraded educational institutions under the T.S. He has excelled in administration by using decades of administrative experience and taking tough decisions. He has connected the members through hundreds of study classes and conferences. He has helped weaker lodges and federations financially.

He was an independent director in seven companies, was Governor of Rotary International District 3060, represented India at the Parliament of Rotary in 2013, was consultant of UNICEF, Chairman of the Board of Governors of Government Engineering College of Bhavnagar, taught several MBA subjects for 20 years, conducted goal-setting training in 24 companies and a group of IAS Officers of Govt. of Gujarat. He has consulted Gujarat State Rural Development Department to improve their effectiveness and make everyone responsible for their targets. He was a member of the Senate and the Executive Committee of SNDT Mumbai University. He is a member of the Board of Governors of UPL University. He is a trustee in 10 trusts. He was President of the Bhavnagar Ladies Education Trust with 4500 students from Kindergarten to PhD. He has build and managed a Nursing School and a Hostel there. He is married to Heena, has a daughter Pavitra settled in USA, who has a daughter Kaira.

DAY 2

10:50 am

-11:30 am

25.10.2026

Self-Knowledge and Enlightenment: In Dialogue with Sanātana Dharma and the Hellenic Traditions

Erica Georgiades President of the T.S. in Greece

This lecture engages in a timeless dialogue between Sanātana Dharma and the Hellenic traditions, revealing their shared understanding of self-knowledge as the highest aim of human life.

Drawing upon Ādi Śaṅkarācārya's *Brahmavidyā Bhāṣya* and Plato's *Alcibiades I*, *Charmides*, and *Phaedo*, it explores the shared view that true self-knowledge—*Ātmajñāna* (आत्मज्ञान) and *Gnōthi Seauton* (Γνῶθι σεαυτόν)—is the direct realisation of the Self, leading to enlightenment.

Theosophy reveals these traditions as rays of the Ancient Wisdom, whose ultimate purpose is the awakening of our divine nature and the realisation of the fundamental unity of all life.

WHO IS

Erica Georgiades has served as General Secretary of the Hellenic Section of the Theosophical Society since 2024. She holds an MRes in Religious Experience, a PGDip in Ancient Mediterranean Religions (UWTSD), and a BA (Hons) in Philosophy and Psychological Studies (OU).

A member of the Theosophical Society since 1991, she lived at Adyar from 1994 to 1996, where she worked as a volunteer in the Adyar Archives under the guidance of Radha Burnier. This experience fostered a lifelong commitment to preserving and promoting the literary and historical heritage of the Society.

She is the director of the European School of Theosophy, the School of the Wisdom at Adyar and Naarden, and the International Theosophical History Conferences, which bring together scholars, researchers and Theosophists from around the world to explore the history of the Theosophical movement. She is also the chief editor of *The Lucifer Collection*, a 50-volume thematic anthology of the complete contents of *Lucifer* (1887–1891), the journal founded and edited by H. P. Blavatsky and subsequently edited by Annie Besant and G. R. S. Mead. Also the editor of FOTA – Friends of the Theosophical Archives, promoting the preservation, study and dissemination of the archival heritage of the T.S.

Erica has encouraged new forms of service and international collaboration while also reviving earlier ones. She envisioned and initiated the Adyar Art Project, which she continues to support, and until recently served as a core team member. In 2026, she founded the International Theosophical Creative Arts Awards to encourage films, documentaries, books, visual arts, music and other creative works inspired by Theosophy.

Throughout her work, she has sought to combine creativity, inspiration, compassion, scholarship, and international cooperation in the service of the Theosophical Society. She is also an active advocate for animal welfare and lives in Greece with her husband and daughter. Her forthcoming book, *Theosophy as a Way of Life*, will be published in 2027.



DAY 2

11:50 am
-12:30 pm

25.10.2026

Listening to the Voice of Silence, Speaking from the Heart: Learning to Live Theosophy

Otávio Ernesto Marchesini President of the T.S. in Brazil

In this presentation, we will connect the Mission of the Theosophical Society (especially when it indicates the understanding and realization of Ageless Wisdom) with the instructions found in *The Voice of the Silence* and *Light on the Path*, enabling an effective perceptive opening regarding Divine Nature and its broad manifestation. The focus will be on verses 82 and following of *The Voice of the Silence*, as well as the Master's Commentary on rule 21 of the first part of *Light on the Path*.

WHO IS

Otávio Ernesto Marchesini, from Brazil, is the current general secretary of the Theosophical Society in Brazil. He is a lawyer specializing in General Theory of Law with an emphasis on International Human Rights Law. He has been active in the Theosophical Society since 2003 and dedicates his research especially to the causes of the imprisonment of human consciousness and the means to achieve liberation.



DAY 2

2:00 pm
-02:40 pm

25.10.2026

The Key to the Light Within

N. C. Krishna Vice President of the Indian Section
and International Lecturer

Look for the light, follow the light, thou art the light and Let that Light shine. The above is theosophical-Hermetic wisdom.

It refers to the light within and the journey, an aspirant has to take, by diving deep within one self. Everyone is bestowed with this light. Man is the spark of the Divine. Few realise it. Even if they realise, one is not able to take up the journey within, as his eyes are trained to look at things outside of himself. So, few are able to see that light, travel towards that light, and realise that, "I am that Light, and let that Light Shine". The Book "The Light on the Path" (1885) by Mabel Collins, gives hints to reach that light within one self. Even Upanishads of the East describe Atman, and Viswaatman. The eternal light of Viswaatman is in all of us.

When we operate with our petty mind, always, constantly looking out, in selfish pursuits, the light becomes dim. Light is covered with soot of Selfishness, greed, Envy, and a feeling that I am separate. Theosophically speaking the Key to the light within lies, in our ability to move away from the Lower self and get closer and live with the Higher Self. "Man Know thyself" is the Master Key. Some of the steps that can help unlock our true self a) Silence the lower self, b) Realise Oneness and unity through Meditation. c) Practice Compassionate living towards all Beings, d) Self Knowledge, e) Self introspection.

WHO IS

N. C. Krishna, from India, is a qualified chartered accountant. Worked in the corporate world as CEO/CFO. Joined T S in the year 1966. Initially member of Vasanta youth lodge, Adyar. Participated as speaker in symposiums in the internal T. S. Conventions. Trained in Public speaking.

Inspired by Miss Ianthe Hoskins, Bro. James S. Perkins, Miss Joy Mills, Ms. Bridget Paget, Bro. N. Sriram, Mrs. Radha S. Burner, Bro. John. B. S. Coats, Bro. Tim Boyd. Learnt to live rightly, by observing my maternal grandfather, who breathed Theosophy, till the end.

Lived on the estate of the international Headquarters, Adyar, thanks to my grandfather and thanks to Bro. N. Sriram, who permitted my grandfather to live at Adyar.

DAY 2

02:40 pm
-03:20 pm

24.10.2026

The Law of Harmony and Perfect Balance

Leonor Maldonado Ruiz President of the T.S in Mexico

The Law of Harmony and Balance teaches that true personal growth begins when we learn to bring order to our inner world. It is not enough to seek external peace if our thoughts are confused, our emotions are unrestrained, or our actions contradict our values. This law therefore invites us to live consciously, to listen to the voice of the soul, and to ensure that every decision reflects peace, justice, and love. When human beings attain this inner balance, their inner light grows stronger and becomes a guiding force capable of transforming not only their own lives but also the world around them.

WHO IS

Leonor Maldonado Ruiz is an Industrial Engineer and a devoted student of Theosophy, a teaching she embraces with deep love and strives to understand and live every day. The daughter of Leonor Ruiz, a dedicated seeker of the inner Self through Theosophy, she has continued this path of study and service with commitment. Since 2020, she has served as General Secretary of the Mexican Section of the Theosophical Society, guided by the desire to share Theosophy and bring it, with simplicity and a spirit of brotherhood, to a wider audience.



DAY 2

03:40 pm
-04:20 pm

25.10.2026

Illusion Paves the Way to Kindle the Spark Within

Prof. C. A. Shinde Theosophical Author and Lecturer

The Secret Doctrine shows how One Reality appears as three illusions: Spirit becomes Self as Separation, Consciousness becomes Time as Succession, Matter becomes Space as Dimensions. These create the sense of a separate “me” trapped in time and space. To dissolve them, HPB outlines three pathways: Religion — through Devotion reveals Self as Unity; Philosophy — through Reason reveals Time as Eternity; Science — through Knowledge reveals Space as Infinity.

When mastered, the illusions collapse, revealing Practical Brotherhood as fact, not ideal. World religions are varied expressions of this single truth—pointing back to the One Reality behind all forms. Life is never easy; we have to make it easy -- sometimes by ignoring something, and sometimes by accepting something.

WHO IS

Prof. C. A. Shinde, from India, is a retired Zoology Professor who worked at Sangli and Pune for 37 years. He is the author of ten textbooks in Zoology for undergraduate students. He has been a life member of the Theosophical Society and has rendered his service to T.S. since 1975, and in Marathi Theosophical Federation, as President for two terms. He has conducted seminars, School of the Wisdom session, Workers’ Training Camp. Study Classes at various places throughout India as a National Lecturer of the Indian Section. His many articles are published in The Theosophist, Wake Up India, Theosophical Digest, The Indian Theosophist and many other Federation Journals.

Prof Shinde has given many short talks and participated in International symposiums during conventions at Adyar. He has compiled The Watch Tower Articles of Mrs Radha S. Burnier which is published as a book titled The World Around Us. Now he is a resident of Adyar with his wife, and worked as Head of the Department of Editorial Office. He recently retired as the Librarian of The Adyar Library and Research Centre. He is the Secretary of Olcott Memorial Higher Secondary School and also participates in various activities of TS, TOS & ES at Adyar, and as G.C. Member & E.C. Member and handled meetings at Naarden. As the International Speaker, he lectured at Sri Lanka & Krotona Institute in California US.

COMPLIMENTARY TOURS

1. TOUR in Taj Mahal

Tour Details

 **22nd October, 2026.**

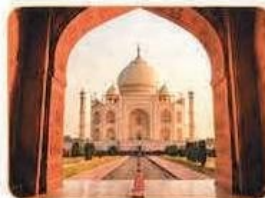
Experience the timeless beauty of the Taj Mahal, one of the Seven Wonders of the World.

A memorable day trip filled with history, culture and breathtaking views.



Details such as transportation to the Taj Mahal, time of departure, sightseeing plan, entry fees, meal arrangements, and return to Delhi etc. should be asked via email to:

Divyarth Dubey <divyarth@hotmail.com>



ACCOMMODATION IN NEW DELHI



Hotel Name: **Centaur Hotel**



Location: Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi



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TRAVEL TO VARANASI

2. 22nd October, 2026



Departure from Delhi to Varanasi

We will go straight to the airport to travel to Varanasi.



3. 23rd October, 2026

VARANASI TOUR



Morning: 2-hour Ganga Cruise to see all the ghats and hear about their importance.



Visit RajGhat where J. Krishnamurthy has his college and where he lived for many years.



Visit the Deer Park in Sarnath where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon.



Later you will visit some temples, eat Varanasi fast food (Chat) and visit the Birla Temple at Banaras Hindu University (BHU).



In the evening you will visit the famous Ganga Aarti.



Varanasi is among the world's most ancient and sacred city, which has been a living centre of spiritual inquiry, where the deepest questions concerning life, death, liberation and transcendence, have been contemplated along the banks of the Ganges. It remains profoundly connected with the spiritual and historical legacy of the T.S.