

Sun. 11. 7. 28. A New Programme!

Baba fixed a new programme for himself and the mandali today to be brought into force from tomorrow for seven months upto February. The main features are as follows: The one meal that Baba

has been taking these days at the interval of 24 hours is also to be stopped. From tomorrow He will only remain on liquids such as milk tea Dhal soup etc. No more explanations and "lectures". Baba will take passive interest in all affairs. Save a round or two of inspections about the colony and the different departments, most of the time He will keep to one fixed place. He will take no more share in any games and plays. The mandali who used to keep fast with Him each by turns to remain on liquid food instead and so on. The rest of the happenings today were all as usual routine.

Tues. 12. 7. 26

The programme outlined yesterday has been commenced to being followed since this morning. Baba did not take any food today and has begun to occupy once again the seat under the lime tree along the main ~~that~~ public Road where He kept most of the time today.

Wed. 14. 7. 26 A Dispute Settled

Of late a great dispute was going on amongst the local villagers in connection with some "rights and privileges". The usually calm and quiet village was seething with bad blood and excitement on account of the different parties coming to almost logger heads.

over ~~some~~ <sup>these</sup> questions. In spite of His so-called passiveness Baba got all the villagers assembled before Him and after hours of troublesome nig-galling (through songs and writings) Baba managed to bring about a singularly peaceful atmosphere.

The dispute was completely settled in such a way that all parties were contented with the decision and happy over it.

So much so that all the ring leaders in the affair made a clean breast of all their follies and mischief and not only ~~not~~ requested to be pardoned but all took vows to remain hereafter peaceably and quietly and as far as possible on good terms with each other. And thus late in the evening the great assemblage of big & mostly red turbaned villagers dispersed.

There was another Seeker after Truth who came to see Baba today and declared himself fish out of water to be put on the Path to Truth. Baba gave him the usual terms (which are of late offered to such people who come with lofty ideals but low determination) that of staying for a year in the small hut under a lime tree opposite to Baba's seat. Taking food ~~once~~ but once every day and remaining silent throughout the period when Baba promised to put him to his goal.

The man (who believed himself to be Sai-Baba's disciple) readily accepted the

the terms but hardly 15 minutes had elapsed when Baba asked him through signs as to what he was thinking about "~~I wish to go~~" "I wished I were in Sherdi" said the man and so eventually the "aspirat" was sent away to Hagarat Sai-Baba's Shrine at Sherdi.

Thur. 15. 7. 26.

In spite of the declaration to the contrary Baba conveyed a short explanation to the mandali at tea time at Kaka's place. In the evening while at His present seat under the Lime tree Baba again lead a silent discussion in connection with a peculiar letter that ~~Baba~~<sup>He</sup> had received this morning from an unknown lady of old lady.

Fri. 16. 7. 26.

Some misunderstanding in connection with Kaikhosroo's night duty in the hospital and his writing work there created rather ill feelings between some members of the mandali. When this was noticed by Baba He brought together the parties concerned and established normal relations between them & caused the misunderstanding to be cleared away. Baba again delivered a short lecture to the mandali through signs & writings about Avatars and Prophets.



Sat. 17. 7. 26.

Baba's programme of stopping the explanation is being observed more in the breach than in the observance as He again gave <sup>today</sup> a special "lecture" with the similes of the Bubble the Boat and the Ocean for Jiva Ishwar and Shiva respectively.

The details of this explanation are with Rustamji

Sun. 18. 7. 26.

Mr Angal pleader when he came to see Baba this morning was accompanied by the family of <sup>a</sup> high government officer. But contrary to the daily routine, ~~of all the days~~, Baba did not come out of His retirement early this morning of all the mornings!

The party of the visitors fretted and fumed in vain to be able to see Baba quickly but ultimately they had to wait for hours together. Mr Angal himself was greatly concerned at the party being kept in waiting for so long and tried to bring out Baba earlier. But all the same it was as late as 10 o'clock that Baba came out. He reminded Mr Angal through signs that distinguished or unknown people were all the same to him and also deplored ~~for~~ Mr Angal's ~~having shown~~ so much concern about those visitors when the latter was greatly abashed.