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### **Brief History and Objectives of the Society of Servants of God**

The Society of Servants of God (hereinafter SSG) is not an ordinary run of the mill spiritual organization and is not a product of Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta's imagination.

The Society of Servants of God (SSG) was started by God through Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta when, after 17 years of inner struggle, on November 8, 1953, he finally accepted to follow what he referred to as "God Guidance."

Spontaneous spiritual experiences began in Dr. Mehta's life in the year 1936. Because of he had a very practical mind and the fact that he was an agnostic, made him doubt that it was God who was communicating with him. The Source of his experiences advised him to not reject his inner experiences and to follow the principle, "Accept what you can accept but do not reject what you cannot accept."

So, for 17 years Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta refused to accept what was being revealed to him. Nevertheless, the Source of the spiritual experiences persisted to hound him till eventually, when certain spiritual conditions which he demanded from the Source were fulfilled, he relented and finally accepted that it was indeed God who was trying to work out His Divine Plan through his (Dr. Mehta's) Soul and human personality.

Subsequently, he was instructed to close his clinics where he used to treat patients with therapeutic regimens that he developed using the principles of naturopathy. The naturopathic institution known as Uruli Kanchan Nisargopchar is an offshoot of the All India Nature Cure Foundation Trust which Dr. Mehta founded with Mahatma Gandhi and other prominent people of India. Likewise, the All India Institute of Naturopathy has also been started by the Government of India in the premises which Dr. Mehta donated to the All India Nature Cure Foundation Trust and which were then formally handed over to the Government for the purpose of establishing the All India Institute of Naturopathy.

After Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta accepted to follow the Guidance he was receiving from the Source, who he said is God, his "transformation" began. Through the process of transformation, Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta who was a 'son of man' was made to see the 'Son of God' who had incarnated into his human personality to fulfil the Divine Plan through him. This transformation was brought about by God through the revelations, which were initial instructions that Dr. Mehta received from God in states of spiritual meditation. These revelations helped Dr. Mehta overcome the limitations of his human mind. Once, the "Son of God" that had incarnated in his human personality began to lead the 'son of man' his human personality also became Divine.

Dr. Mehta used to write the revelations he received from God in states of spiritual Samadhi as they were being given and we refer to them as Scripts. More than 3,000 Scripts were written through Dr. Mehta. Some of these Scripts, and the process through which they were received, can be found on SSG's website in the publication

“*SILENCE SPEAKS*,” which has been posted in the section of the website labeled “Publications and Articles” which can be found in the drop-down menu.

In the year 1954, as guided, the Society of Servants of God was registered with the authorities in India as a charitable institution and Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta became the first human chairman of SSG. We deliberately use the term “human chairman” because Dr. Mehta maintained that God is the real founder and chairman of SSG and will remain so but used his human personality to establish His Society on the earth plane.

Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta is referred to as Revered Dadaji by his disciples and devotees of SSG. “Dadaji” means elder brother. Revered Dadaji referred to the spiritual source that guided him as the Guiding Mind.

As Founder Chairman of SSG, the Guiding Mind assigned the following three Missions to be fulfilled through SSG:

1. To help people realize the Divine Self within
2. To introduce and propagate spiritual values in all walks of material life, including economics, politics and social life in general
3. To bring about a unity in the diversity of religions.

Detailed explanations of these Missions can be found in the article entitled “Missions of the Society of Servants of God.”

It is clear from the above three Missions, that the work each of us has to accomplish in our lifetime is external which should reflect the spiritual foundation which is within each one of us and is commonly called soul, atman, rooh etc. To fulfil the above three missions and to help each of us live a life based upon Divine Guidance, the Guiding Mind revealed the following three sets of principles through Revered Dadaji:

- Seven Principles of Right Surrender
- Seven Principles of receiving God Guidance through Force of Circumstances.
- Seven Principles of Karma Yoga.

By following these principles, we can lead a life that is guided by God specifically for each of us as individuals. Dr. Dinshah K. Mehta advised his disciples that spiritual principles are sacred and should be kept secret and should only be revealed to sincere seekers, otherwise it can harm those who do not accept them. Jesus the Christ also gave a similar injunction to his disciples with words to the effect, “Spill not the pearls before swine.”

Therefore, we will share these principles with only those individuals who contact us and demonstrate to us by the actions that they are indeed sincere seekers. This is also in keeping with the “Self-Surrender Stand” which the Guided Mind dictated to Dr. Mehta and instructed that the “Self-Surrender Stand” should be placed at the entrance to every institution of SSG. Therefore, although all sincere seekers have always been welcomed by SSG, please keep the following in mind as you continue your journey:

# **SELF-SURRENDER STAND**

ONE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THIS SOCIETY IS TO HELP PEOPLE TO BECOME GOD-CENTERED IN THEIR EVERYDAY LIFE. THIS CAN BE ACHIEVED ONLY BY DETHRONING SELF-CENTEREDNESS.

THIS SOCIETY THEREFORE CANNOT HELP THOSE WHO ASSERT THEIR EGO BUT HELPS THOSE WHO DESIRE TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL BY MEANS OF DISCIPLINED SELF-RESTRAINT, LEADING TO SELF-SURRENDER AND ULTIMATELY TO SELF-ANNIHILATION.

ALL GENUINE SEEKERS ARE WELCOME AND ARE ENCOURAGED IN EVERY WAY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS, DIFFICULTIES AND DOUBTS, BUT THOSE WHO COME FOR SELF-SATISFACTION OR SELF-ASSERTION ARE DISCOURAGED.