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Direction: Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateswara decided to arrange his "HARINAAMA KSHETRA" near our "Garden well" in my native village Chinna Gundavelli, 7 km. away from Sidhipet. He directed me to construct at least the replica of Tirumala Temple upto two compound walls (Silver Doors). He assured me that He will stay here permanently forever in this area by himself and bless the devotees. Also He suggested to arrange Akhanda Harinam Smaran (chanting constantly) by various devotees in shift system with no break. He also informed me to get blessed by Bhagavataas (great devotees) in order to get eligibility to invite Lord from Tirumala besides rigorous practice (Sadhana).

Starting the training from April 2000, thro' my dreams, He disclosed the actual matter in April 2022. In addition to this, He ordered me to get the divine feelings published which were

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blessed by him in order to make the devotees as partners in this programme from April 2023. The publishing of present part-24 is its part only (March 2011 to February 2012).

### A long time since I saw the Lord's divine deeds

After praying to the Lord for a long period, I lost hope of my prayers being answered and finally starting 27-02-2011, I prayed continuously for 2 days pleading thus: "Lord! Sri Venkateshwara, I do not have friends or relatives anymore. I started feeling uncomfortable in the company of others and hence distanced myself from everyone. Nothing interests me other than matters related to you. I have become a loner. Now, if you too distance yourself from me, and stop showing your divine acts, life will be difficult, dull and irritating. For this reason, Lord, please start showing me your divine acts as you had done in the past. You are my energy and motivation, and if I can do something, it is only because of your mercy." The Lord showed me a small divine act of His, which made me very happy.

**Dream dated 01-03-2011:** In my dream I had gone to a holy place. It was on the banks of a river, with a facility for devotees to bathe in the river, as is usually done during the time of "pushkaras" (auspicious window for bathing in a holy river that occurs once every 12 years; a bath in the river during that window is believed to confer merit on the devotees). There were several devotees on the river bank waiting to take a dip in the river. There was water at some spots in the river and between those there were sand banks. The water was clear and free of impurities. The devotees were leaving their garments on the river bank and entering the river in their under garments. I too got ready to take a holy dip. I jumped into the water at a particular place and swam. I saw a sand bank near me and lots of devotees. My dream ended there. My inference from the dream – It meant that all that I had done so far was like taking a holy dip in order to get ready to have a darshan of the Lord. Since 1999 when I had developed diabetes (almost 12 years like the recurrence window of pushkaras), he had been showing me his divine acts. My inference was based on this.

### Life being guided in a better direction

From hereon, by the grace of the Lord, I had been nudged from my path to a better path i.e. the one that would earn me the eligibility to attain the Lord. From hereon, the divine acts of the Lord would be of a different nature. Since the year 2002, after the construction of the "Sri Venkateshwara divya mahamantra stupam" in the TTD dairy farm, Sriman Patti Subrahmanyam, who was a resident of Alimelu Mangapuram, continued as the photographer for all the ceremonial events we undertook. He was well informed about all the different ceremonies we used to conduct. In addition, he was the photographer for the monthly magazine "Sri Venkatesham." The Lord used him as a channel to show me this wonderful divine act of his.

**Dream of 16-03-2011:** Once when I was on my way from Hyderabad to Siddipet, I had crossed the suburban area of Alwal, when Sriman Patti Subrahmanyam called me up from Tirupati and told me something. It was about a temple that was along the route I was traveling. He told me that it was a strange, peculiar temple and that I should surely go to the temple. Since it was close by, I went towards the temple. I could spot its pyramidal towers as I neared it, which



was of a great height and beautifully ornamented with sculptures and stone carvings. Since I did not have time, I saw the temple from outside, took a U turn without even stopping my vehicle and continued my journey. I left the temple behind and came onto a different route. An impression formed in my mind that the temple was like a bridge on my path. I suddenly heard a loud explosive sound behind me. Immediately I turned around to see what the cause was. Each one of the sculptures in the lower levels of the pyramidal tower were separating themselves with a loud noise and were rising to the top only to get fixed there. This phenomenon of the sculptures breaking away, rising up and getting fixed at the upper level was something I saw very clearly. In a way the height of the pyramidal tower was increasing. My dream ended here. My inference – henceforth, the Lord would take me on a path on which my spirituality would increase and take me closer to the goal he intended for me.

### Sowing the seed of devotion in me - to make me a devotee of Bharata's caliber

The Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateshwara had offered me so many opportunities to serve him. He would make each opportunity first occur my mind like a flash of lightning. He would then show me several divine acts which would cause me to engage in intense prayers to Him to obtain a chance to perform the service to Him. This time he planted the seed of Bharata's devotion in my heart. I was thrilled and with my hir standing on its ends, shed tears of joy in my dream. This seed was bound to sprout sometime in the coming days. The whole divine act was s described here.

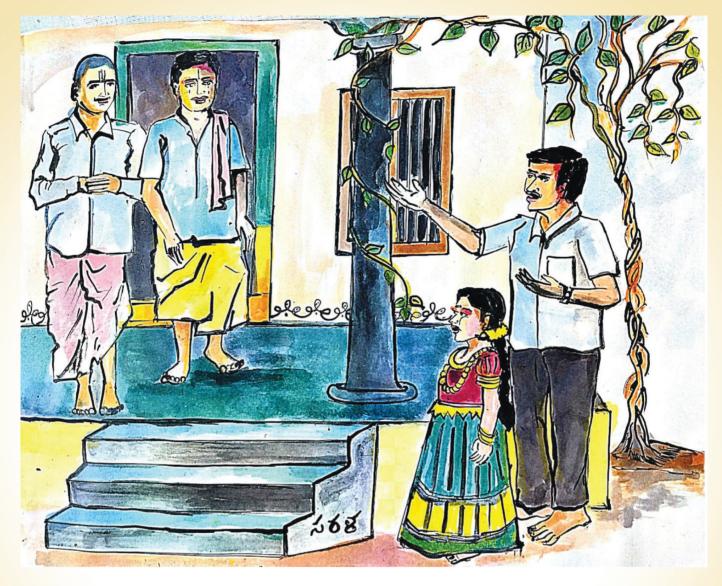
After a long time, I had two dreams in a night. I could not grasp at that time, what the dreams were pointing toward. Yet, the feeling of devotion to my Lord swelled up in me and gave me shivers of delight as in the past. I was tremendously delighted that the Lord was again bestowing his grace upon me.

The First dream of 12-04-2011: This was a very strange dream. In the dream it was our native village Chinnagundavelli. Apparently, I had a sister who was not yet married and we were thinking that we should get her married. For the entire household, I was like a patriarch and the go to person. Also, our parents were no more. Once, to attend a function at someone's home, I had gone from Hyderabad to our village. I was sitting in a function hall along with so many other people there. All of them were known people from my village. Some were related and some were friends. One of them asked me – "did you find a match for your sister? What does the boy do?" I said, "yes, a match has been settled and the boy is an ayurvedic / homeopathic doctor." It seems the boy had also come to the function. He was 6 feet tall and was of a dark complexion. However, my sister was not to be seen at the function. This was the first dream (or the first scene)

In the following dream, I set off from my home (in my native village) and went up to the school at one

end of the village. Accompanying me was a small girl aged bout 8 to 9 years. Along the way, almost at the end of the village, there was a house. We stood in the verandah of that house. Probably we had gone to meet the people of that house and were standing in front of their door. The small girl was standing in front of me. In the meanwhile, sensing that we had come, a person came out of the house. Following him, another person also came out. Realising that we had come to meet an important person of that house, they signalled to us that that person was not there, but we did not leave the place. We believed that that person was inside the house. To make that person come out of the house, the small girl who was with me starting singing devotional songs, dedicated to Lord Sri Rama. She sang those songs in the style of Sri Annamacharya and Tyagaraja. Her singing was melodious and generated shivers of delight. Listening to her singing, the people who had stepped out of the house said "Our Lord Bharata is not at home, he has gone out somewhere," which we could not understand. In the meanwhile, I or that girl sang a very beautiful song, full of devotion. Despite their hinting that we should leave, we sang with greater devotion in a state of self-forgetfulness. Listening to the song, they stood still without saying another word. Listening to the song gave them shivers of ecstasy. The feeling of devotion in their minds swelled and they shed tears of joy. They experienced unlimited happiness and became totally immersed in the song. At that moment, I remembered Bharata the brother of Lord Sri Rama, his devotion and dedication. I was filled with devotion and a desire to serve the Lord and I felt blissful. My dream ended there.

The next morning, I pondered over the dream. The devotional intensity I felt in the dream, remained imprinted in my mind. Again, tears of joy flowed from my eyes. I had goosebumps because of my love for the Lord. This was how the Lord seeded my mind with devotion similar to what Bharata had for Lord Sri Rama. This seed would surely sprout and grow in me in the future, when the Lord so desired.



My inference from the dream: In addition to implanting the seed of devotion similar to that of Bharata, he was instructing me in the path I was to follow. He asked me to similarly implant the seed of devotion towards Lord Venkateshwara, in the people of my village and that region, even if it was against their inclination

### Indicating that the Lord's temple would be located near the well in our fields

Since the past so many days, the Lord had not showed me any of his divine deeds. I worried a lot about it, but could not decide what to do. But again, with his grace, I had a nice dream. **Dream of 11-05-2011:** I had this dream around 5 a.m. In the dream, I was near the well in our fields, in our native village Chinnagundavelli. The fields were growing well, reminding me of the days of agriculture in my childhood. I roamed around in the fields. In the second scene of the dream, I came close to the well. Nearby, there was a temple. I went inside the temple and saw that there were a lot of idols in the temple. There were idols of Lord Siva, Lord Vinayaka, Goddess Parvati, the Serpent God and several others. Among the idols, there were two "Siva Lingas." I performed "abhishekam" to the Siva Linga and offered "patri" (leaves of the Bilva tree). Interestingly, our childhood friend, Sriman Kalakuntla Venkata Lakshmi

Narasimhachary, who was a Sri Vaishnava, was the priest for this temple. I saw him in the temple. He was in the traditional dress and had the sacred "Tirunamam" on his forehead. I felt very happy. My dream ended there.

The Lord granted me this dream, with a hidden meaning that had to be analysed. It was an indication that a temple in the Sri Vaishnava tradition would be established near the well in our fields. He wanted me to consider all forms of God as Lord Venkateshwara's forms and hence, indicated to me indirectly that this would be a temple to Lord Sri Venkateshwara and Goddess Laksmi and that I would be offering my services to them to my heart's content. This was the first time he did so. But I did not understand the inner meaning when I had the dream.

#### Shifting to my new office

In line with the instructions of Lord Sri Venkateshwara, I sold of my office located at house no: 1-9-1113/30, VST Road, Vidyanagar and purchased an old home in Habshiguda, which we converted to my office. By the grace of the Lord, we completed this 4 storied building in just 7 months. On 12-06-2011, we performed the required ceremonies and moved into it. On 14-06-2011, we travelled to the USA for a few days and came back on 09-07-2011. On 11-07-2011, the first Ekadashi day, I sat in the office for the first time. I prayed to the Lord asking him that -I should be able to perform his services in this office in a way that would satisfy him, that this should be my last office and that due to me services the Lord's mercy should be bestowed on all. I asked Him to grant me a peaceful life without any disturbances. I prayed that in a sense this should be my practice space

### Ratha Yatra for the 9<sup>th</sup> round of submission of 7 crore written recitations

As was the case every year, this year too, for the 9<sup>th</sup> round of written recitations, we performed special prayers at our home. After which, on 27-07-2011 we

started off on the ratha yatra from our home. The journey started off under the live supervision of Sri Sri Sri Sarvavidhananda swamy and with his blessings. We made arrangements for offering food to all devotees attending the program. From 28-07-2011 to 10-08-2011, the chariot traversed the entire city of Hyderabad. After that we moved across Nizamabad, Karimnagar, Warangal, Miryalaguda, Bapatla, Cheemakurti, Kavali, Nellore and on 20-8-2011 reached Tirupati.

On 21-08-2011 we first proffered it at the Lord's feet at Alipiri. On 22-08-2011 which was Gokulashtami (the day Lord Krishna was born), the TTD EO Sriman L V Subramanyam, performed a special fire sacrifice and submitted the written recitations to the Lord and also initiated the activity for the 10<sup>th</sup> round of submission of the 7 crore written recitations. The whole program ended on a happy note. The EO Sriman L V Subramanyam said that the altar was full.

### Indicating to me that my services were not fructifying

A day prior to the 9<sup>th</sup> round of submission i.e. on 20-08-2011, I assumed that with this submission the altar would become full. The EO also thought similarly. We thought that one part of our objective, i.e. filling up the altar with written recitations would get completed. I felt very happy. I conveyed to the Lord that one part of his intended objectives was getting achieved. The Lord then showed a divine act of His, which was as follows.

The Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateshwara gave me multiple opportunities to perform his services and asked me to get rid of my negativities and reform myself. This was the real intent of the Lord. I however, assumed that I did not have in me, the power to get rid of my sense of I, and did not work further on that objective. And I led my life on the premise "It is important that I repay my debt to the Lord by performing his services. Where is the need to gain any eligibility?" I also thought that my efforts on my business would not impact my

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services to the Lord and so, continued to be involved in my business. The Lord, in a gradual way and without hurting me brought me on to the path he intended for me. And further, to improve the level of my spirituality, he got me admitted to the engineering college I studied in and started giving me continuous updates on my status.

On the evening of 21-08-2011, for the 9<sup>th</sup> time, we submitted the 7 crore written recitations at the "altar of the Lord's feet," at Alipiri and conducted prayers. The prayers went on until 8 in the evening. After the prayers were over, I prayed to the Lord saying "Lord, Sri Venkateshwara, to the extent of my capabilities, I have taken this ratha yatra to the homes of as many devotees as possible and got them to recite your name. Along with this, since the last year I have distributed 70,000 copies of notebooks for devotees to put in their written recitations and thus made them recite your name. I think I cannot do anything more than this. As far a I know, I have not been negligent or made any mistakes. I had the devotees write your name across the year. After that through the ratha yatra, I made sure to take you to the homes of the devotees. I have done all I could. I cannot do anything more. In view of this, you should kindly accept this. In case you think I have done some mistakes, please forgive those and accept these written recitations. Also, this time the altar at the SV dairy farm is going to be filled after the 9<sup>th</sup> round of submission of the 7 crore written recitations is done. A part of my resolution i.e. of filling the altar with your name, is being accomplished. So please bless me. Also please let me know where I should submit the further rounds of written recitations." That night I slept in the hotel room, engrossed in this prayer to the Lord. In the morning between 4.30 and 5.00 I had a dream as follows.

**Dream of 22-08-2011:** Once, in the past, with the intent to make me gain more spiritual knowledge, and to make me attain the state that the Lord desired

for me, He got me admitted to a Master's program in the same engineering college I had graduated from.

In this dream too, I was studying in the same engineering college. The exams for the program I was enrolled in were scheduled for the next morning. Apparently, I had taken a break in between the program and had resumed my studies after the break. (It implied that I had joined the Master's program after a break after my graduate program). All my classmates in my graduation program were also enrolled in this Master's program with me. I met all my previous classmates. During the period 1981-85, they were all smaller and thinner, but now they had all matured and appeared fatter and larger. However, I remained the same as I was in the period 1981-85. All the others had grown tummies and had developed stronger physiques. The appearance of one of my classmates, Muralikrishna, I could see distinctly. He had grown a tummy and had developed a well-built physique. At the same time, I also saw his form of 1981-85, which was smaller and thinner. Probably He showed me this to emphasize the difference. And as far as the exams starting the next day were concerned, I had not studied anything and did not know anything. Therefore, I was worried and wore a sad face, thinking how I would perform. I was going around with students who were all poor at academics. I was asking the others how they had studied. Thus, I was saddled with the worries of how I would perform in the exams and whether I would even get enough marks to clear the exam. My dream ended.

The meaning of the dream as I inferred it: To me, who was feeling happy, that the altar was getting filled up, and that a portion of my resolution was getting completed, the Lord indicated that I had not studied well and may not clear the examination. On the other hand, the people who studied with you, have prospered in their respective fields, which is why you saw them with bulging tummies (a sign of prosperity) and well grown physiques. Because I had not grown spiritually, I had retained the same small, thin form I had earlier.

He thus told me about my spiritual status by linking our physical appearances to spiritual attainments. He asked me to practice harder. He had conveyed all this in such a nice manner. But I did not understand the significance of it then. I continued with my established manner of thought that I was anyways performing my services to the Lord without making any mistakes

### **Indicating that He found the office suitable**

We had shifted our office from VST Main Road. Vidyanagar to lane number 1 Habshiguda. The Vidyanagar office was more convenient for devotees since it was on the main road and also attracted a lot of new people. As a result, knowledge of our devotional activities spread amongst the people quite rapidly. But since the Habshiguda office was situated 200 feet inside from the main road, I was worried that new devotees may not visit it much. This new office was located very close to my home and in that sense was more convenient for me than for devotees. I felt very bad about this. I felt bad that the Lord had made me shift from an office that was very conveniently located on the main road and was easy for new devotees to get to know of, to this office in Habshiguda, thus inconveniencing devotees. I pondered about how to spread the opportunity for serving the Lord to a larger number of devotees. The Lord, who had noticed my sorrow showed me this nice divine act and made me happy.

The Habshiguda main road was recently widened to 150 feet and it was just getting covered with bitumen tar. On the road to our office, there were several small shops

Dream of 16-09-2011: Apparently, I was living in a new locality, which I felt did not have proper facilities. Without planning to do so, one day I ventured out a little distance into an adjoining road. I saw that it had a good market place. There were a lot of shops, especially clothing shops, a few tailor shops, grocery shops, which I thought would meet my needs. This was not my usual route but a new one. I mistakenly took it, but after seeing it, I felt this would suit me very well!

After that I exited that street and saw a newly built BT road. It was guite wide, about 150 feet and had traveling lanes in both directions. It was newly built. After seeing one side of the road, I went to the other side. All at once, one of the top layers of the road fissured and hot water started gushing out to the sides with a loud sound. Due to the water pressure, a part of the upper layer fractured and was swept away. Water started flowing swiftly in the area along a wide channel. I saw all this walking along the foot path listening to the sound of the water. My dream ended.

The inference – The Lord was indicating to me that the new office would be convenient for me as well as devotees and there was no need to worry. I additionally thought that he made me shift here keeping my future years (when I would have grown old) in mind, so that I would not be inconvenienced given its proximity to my residence.

### Letting me know that the altar was filled up

After about a period of 9 years, I along with my family went to my village, Chinnagundavelli, on 04-10-2011 to attend the "Batukamma" and "Dasara" festivals. Batukamma was on 05-10-2011 and Dasara was on 06-10-2011. Since we had established the "Peetham" in 2002 on the day of Dasara, I used to perform prayers on every Dasara day in my office, considering that it was the day on which it took shape. For this reason, I never went to my village for Dasara. This time, I decided that I would perform the prayers in my village and went over to my village. That night, I recalled the Lord's name in my house and went to sleep. I was of the opinion that He would surely appear to me today and as anticipated I had a dream.

Dream of 05-10-2011: In this dream, I was in Tirupati. I was able to see the Sri Venkateshwara Divya Mahamantra Stupam (altar). A person who was invisible climbed the stupam and looked up its entirety. After that he shouted saying "the altar is full," "the altar is full," in such a way that I heard it very clearly. The altar too appeared to me and blazed brightly. My dream ended.

For the previous "Gokulashtami," which was on 22-08-2011, in the ninth round of submission of the 7 crore written recitations, the altar got filled up. At that time, I had prayed to the Lord asking him where I should submit the written recitations for the next seven years. I pleaded to him to show me direction. He did not give me any response. But today he told me that the altar had got filled up. I was curious to know what message He would give me later

### Making me take a pledge that I had forgotten

The Lord, Tirumala Sri Venkateshwara had given me his word that He would keep giving me opportunities for his service, until I was fully satisfied. Initially, I too thought that I should keep serving the Lord until the end of my life, and that due to my services, the Lord should have his name recited until the end of my life. But in 2002, when I had embarked on performing his services for 16 years i.e. 2002 to 2018, the initial idea of performing his services until the end of my life was completely shattered. The thought that this 16 years of service would be sufficient started to strengthen itself in my mind. The Lord who observed this made me take my initial vow once again by showing me his divine acts. The divine act is as described here

The maha mantra stupa at Tirupati was filled up. Despite requesting the Lord for guidance on where to submit the written recitations for the next 7 years, there was no response. This started to make me feel more and more frightened. On 20-10-2011 I pleaded before the Lord in a wretched state of mind saying "Lord, the altar at Tirupati is filled up. Please make me build another altar. In return, I pledge that I will perform your services as long as I live." This meant that my services would not be limited only up to the year 2018, but as long as I lived. The Lord who was pleased with this pledge showed me this beautiful divine act, as follows

Dream of 21-10-2011: In this dream, I along with my people was taking the Lord to every house and was trying to get them to perform prayers to the Lord. I had a vehement desire to have devotees see the Lord and obtain his blessings.

We were in a big mansion with huge verandahs. Several families were living in the rooms that were lined up on one side of the verandahs. I walked into the mansion attired in an attire worn while praying. Some of my people were walking behind me carrying the Lord in a palanquin. There were four people in the front, bearing the palanguin and four in the rear. In the center of the palanquin, the Lord with his queens was inside a small pyramid-like structure. The pyramid was decorated with beautiful yellow silk cloth. I imagined that the Lord was inside the pyramid along with his queens. The palanquin bearers brought it into the building, following me. I told the householders, in the verandah that the Lord had come to them. They became alert. Observing their excitement, I told them, "This is not all, if you were to see the chariot of the Lord, it is even more wonderful and you will be flabbergasted." And so, we took the Lord to every house and every room adjoining the verandahs. I requested them to come visit the Lord and pray to him. My dream ended here. In this way, the Lord once again revitalized my feeling of service to Him and made me pledge that I would perform His services as long as I lived. In the subsequent days, we took out all the books from the altar, in which recitations of the Lord's name were written, and safely buried them in a pit within the dairy farm. So, we could use the altar as we were using it earlier. In fact, we had this very same idea when we had built the altar, but due to the Lord's divine act I forgot about it

### **Retracting his form of Trivikrama**

Date 29-10-2011: Since the last few years, the desire that constantly played on my mind was to build statues of the Trivikrama form of the Lord with a height of about 10-15 feet and place them at the various spots



in the city that would enable devotees to have His darshan. I wanted it to build it in a form that would be easy to assemble and disassemble, so that it could be displayed when needed and then dismantled and carried back. But I realized it was not as easy as it sounded and I discarded the idea along with the idea of building a permanent statue. I shared this decision with the Lord. (However, at the time of penning this part of my experiences, the idea of building it as a sub temple in the "Harinama Kshetra," arose in my mind).

### **Clarifying my status** – planting the seed of **renunciation**

The Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateshwara had in the past got me admitted to the Master's program in Osmania University College of Engineering, to enable my spiritual growth. At an apparent level, though it was an engineering college, the Lord's intent was that I should grow spiritually and reach the next level. He did this so that I could understand myself easily. It was the Lord's decision. On my side, I did not know how much I had advanced spiritually. For that, the Lord put me through some tests. The Lord's two divine acts shared below, I assumed were to make me knowledgeable about the status of my spiritual growth.

**Dream of 30-11-2011:** In this dream, it seemed that I was working on all necessary matters for establishing an engineering college. Since it needed a permission from the university, I applied to the university for the permission. The university wanted to assess whether I was qualified to set up such a college for which they put me through a test. The university's process was to call all those who had applied (like I did) and interview them. All of us who had applied, met one day at my house in my village Chinnagundavelli. I explained to them about my organization. All of us together discussed about some topics, after which we went to a building in the University to attend the interview. Since there were a lot of people, police personnel also came there and sent everyone out, except me. At first, they sent me into a room for the interview. There were three people in the room who were to interview me. They were all people known to me. One of them was my childhood teacher Sriramulu. He had taught me in primary school, in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> standards. He was tall, dark and had a pockmarked face. The second person was Sriman Jagannath Jetty, who is my neighbor. He had taught me during the first year of my engineering undergraduate program. The third person was Dr Muralikrishna, who taught us structural engineering. They were all friendly towards me. Someone among them asked me a question which was - "Assume you are in a room and the doors are closed. If you want to contact someone outside the room, how would you do it?" I said "I will ring the bell." Sri Sriramulu said I had to answer in English. I said "I will press the bell button." Sriman Jetty intervened and said there was no need to answer in English. He said that English may be needed only if the world bank wanted to give me a loan. The third person was writing something in Telugu on a paper. My dream ended

Overall, this was test to assess my eligibility. I did not know whether I cleared it. The Lord then put me through a tougher test. He took me to another world in the skies and first told me to decipher the Vedas. Then he made me think that the leela (God's pastime/sport/ dissimulation) of life i.e. people coming to earth and departing from here was quite a natural thing and therefore to live a life without attachments was the best way to live. This wonderful divine act was as described here.

Dream of 17-12-2011: I was taken away from this earth to a different planet. The other planet too was rotating on its axis and moving in an orbit. On that planet I saw an extremely beautiful chamber of audience. There were several luxurious chairs and sofas, all seemingly made of gold, in that chamber. The chamber was very spacious and captivating. It seems, I was taken there by the late (he had passed away in 2007) Professor Badruddin, who had taught us in our engineering college. There were some people there who looked like Muslim fundamentalists and extremists. By my side there was a person who looked like Bin Laden and had a similar beard. He gave me a plan and asked me to decipher it. That plan contained secrets from our Vedas. Professor Badruddin had taken me there to decipher it. My reaction on seeing it was to think, "Oh, did the Lord Sri Venkateshwara have me establish and run the magazine Sri Venkatesham for this purpose?" In addition, I also felt distressed with the thought "I have moved to a different world, leaving my home and family behind. I wonder how much they are anguished because of this and what they might be doing now." In the next instant, I steadied myself with the thought "It is all quite natural. That people come and they go. Like other people, my family members too will agonize for a while and adjust to my loss." I contained myself and pushed out the thoughts of love and attachment. I said to myself "This is the way of the world. It is all a divine act of my Lord." This implied that I had to an extent left the ideas of "my," "mine," and "my people". I understood the natural order of the world in a better way. My dream ended here.

My inference from this – The Lord Sri Venkateshwara had educated me about the natural way of the world to an extent. What he conveyed was -Nothing is ours and no one belongs to us. Only the Lord is eternal. We should have an attachment only towards the Lord and should not have an interest towards any other thing in this world. He advised me to understand the deeper meaning of the articles published in Sri Venkatesham. He asked me to continue performing His services and gain eligibility to attain Him. Most importantly, with this divine act, he planted the seed of renunciation in me, so that I could sever my attachment towards people and things of the world. That seed would sprout when He intended it to.

In this way He assessed my spiritual status by presenting me with these two divine acts. I considered the real meaning of these divine acts as "I was performing services to the Lord scrupulously, but without any understanding of the real meaning"

### **Blessing Surekha with pleasant recollections**

On another matter, the Lord made my wife Surekha immensely happy, by showing her a divine act. There were no bounds to her happiness. More than the fact that the Lord had shown her a divine act, she was happier that the Lord had heard her prayer and showered his kindness on her. The belief that the Lord was extremely close to her strengthened in her. The divine act was as described here

Since the past few days, money issues at home had been causing us annoyance and creating mental suffering for us. Whatever we did, it was not with a happy state of mind. In addition, my elder son, Chiranjeevi Vedanth, was behaving extremely rudely. He was unwilling to listen to anything we said, and stuck to his guns, displaying a high level of stubbornness. Due to this Surekha was in an annoyed state and going about life with a lot of grief in her heart. Though she held a post graduate degree, she never took up a job, just to ensure she could take care of our children. This aspect also added to her grief. As she had been suffering since a long time, she felt that she should have an interval of pleasure. But given our situation, it would not be possible to hope for such a thing. So, she prayed to her Lord Sri Venkateshwara, asking Him to grant her pleasure. She had become tired due to her work since the morning and just before she went to sleep at night, she prayed to the Lord to her heart's content, pleading

piteously, "Lord, please grant me some pleasure! I have a desire to see some pleasures and joys in life. Please fulfill this desire," and slept. The Lord in his mercy, granted her pleasure as described here.

Dream of 28-12-2011: In this dream, the Lord showed her in a serial order, one after the other, the pleasures, joyous moments and unforgettable and delightful memories that a human being usually experienced in life. On 04-03-1990, Surekha and I had got married. At that time, I did not own a house in Hyderabad. We used to live in our village. Our marriage took place at 8 a.m. at Hyderabad. That evening around 5 p.m. we left for Chinnagundavelli by car. The dream that the Lord showed, started with our car journey to Chinnagundavelli and covered every happy event we had experienced in the first month of our married life. The way he presented it all was like the highlights that are usually presented after a cricket match. Starting with our marriage day, followed by our travel to our village, what we spoke to each other during the journey, reaching our village, the reception arranged for us, the hubbub in our house on account of the marriage ceremony, stepping into our house for the first time, the house looking lively with the presence of all our relatives - He showed it all. How, the next day, I had taken her on my scooter to the well in our fields, the sights of the forested area, the surrounding hills, what we spoke there, coming back home, and then coming back to Hyderabad - were all shown as we had experienced them originally. Later how we travelled to Bangalore and Kodaikanal for our honeymoon, the joys we experienced there, what we spoke to other couples during that journey, how we enjoyed ourselves in that environment, what we spoke to each other - each and every event that had made us happy, up to one month from the day of the marriage, He showed her all these in a chronological order. The mysterious thing was that Surekha dreamt that she was experiencing all these and enjoying herself, as if she was of the same age at the time of our marriage. She became very happy after



having this dream. She rejoiced that the Lord had given her all these pleasant and enjoyable recollections. She gained the confidence that the Lord had heard her prayers and responded and even more importantly, that her Lord was extremely close to her and would aid her in any time of difficulty. The Lord thus filled her mind with joy.

### The first Bhaja Govindam

Though I had been performing services of the Lord for the last ten years, it was in a limited way. But now the conditions were suitable for me to penetrate wider into society. When Sriman KV Ramanachari was the TTD EO, he made me agree to conduct Bhaja Govindamon the first Ekadashi and Vaikuntha Ekadashi each year. Now for the first time, Sriman Ramanchari took the lead and made me conduct the Bhaja Govindam program in a grand fashion in the "Lalita Kala Toranam" building, in the presence of thousands of devotees. The recitation of my Lord's name by so many people in a melodious fashion, made me forget myself with joy. I considered it as my good fortune and decided firmly that I would conduct it on the first Ekadashi and Vaikuntha Ekadashi each year.

On the evening of 05-01-2012, which was a Vaikuntha Ekadashi, with support from TTD, we conducted Bhaja Govindam at the Lalita Kala Toranam. It was a community chanting of the name of Lord Hari. Sri Sri Sri Vidya Nrusimha Bharati Swamy (the head saint of the Pushpagiri "peetham"), Sri Sri Sri Sreenivasa Vratadhar Narayana Ramanuja Jeeyar, Dr. Ramanachari, members of the endowment department and several other chanting groups participated in the event. The chanting group led by Doctor Ramaprabha stood out for its melodious chanting of Bhaja Govindam. I prayed to the Lord asking Him to bestow his grace on each devotee who had taken part in the event. I decided to hold this event on every first Ekadashi and Vaikuntha Ekadashi each year.

### Giving me Sriman KV Ramanachari's support

On 10-01-2012 I had a dream. In the dream I saw Dr KV Ramanachari, who told me "Whenever you conduct these spiritual events, I will support you and guide you." What I inferred from it was that the Lord himself in the guise of Dr KV Ramanachari, would be helping me conduct such events. The details of the dream are as shown here

Dream of 10-01-2012: In my dream I had intended to conduct a religious function and was trying to guide the people setting up the stage how they should be doing it. At that moment, Dr KV Ramanachari who was standing behind me called my attention by clapping and guided me on how to do it. He also told me that he would will work closely with me and help you in every way." That was the dream. The inner meaning of this was that the Lord would always be behind me to support me.

### Spreading the devotion and devotional music of the Lord

During this time, I had another dream. In this dream devotees with Tirunamam on their foreheads were conducting a procession

Dream of 14-01-2012: In this dream, I saw a procession of the devotees of the Vaishnava sect in traditional dress engaged in a procession. There were hundreds of devotees walking ahead of me in the procession carrying placards. I was walking behind them. Probably I was one of the organizers. I called a person who was ahead of me and showed him a V shape by placing my two fingers on my forehead. At the moment some of the people walking in front of me turned around and showed me the placards. The shape "V" was written on the placards. The V shape was in

white color with the "I" in the center red in color. Written thus it strongly resembled the Tirunamam. I saw the Tirunamam very clearly and from a close distance. The people then turned around and walked away, while loudly uttering "Victory to the Lord." My dream ended. My inference from the dream – From now on, I should expand the services of the Lord significantly. In other words, the Lord had presented what I had in mind i.e. that I should be guiding devotees, increase their devotion and expand it into a larger populace

### Indicating that I was not having faith in the Lord

03-02-2012 happened to be the day of Bhishma Ekadashi. Around 6 a.m. on that day, I had a dream. In that dream, I saw the place I used to live in, in Hyderabad during the period 1987-90. It was a big room with a partition in the center, and had doors on both sides, so that each section could be used as a fully independent room. I saw this room in my dream.

Dream of 03-02-2012: The house I used to live in had just two rooms. I was sitting in the first room. A snake about 7 to 8 feet long, and with a very thick girth, entered from the front side and went into the second room and slept adjacent to the partition. I was terribly frightened, but taking courage went into the other room, wanting to exit from the door of that room. The snake did not stir and slept as it had been sleeping next to the partition. That was the dream.

This dream was very symbolic and called for a lot of analysis. The Lord had told me in the past to consider the snake as a symbol for Him. In this dream, when the snake entered the room, I became terribly frightened. It did not do anything, but I tried to evade it. The meaning of this was that the Lord had entered our house due to our good fortune, and asked me to reform myself, and accomplish the goal he had decided for me. But I remained more involved in my business and other worldly matters and ignored the Lord's instructions. I understood this inner meaning only when I was writing down this part

### **Phase of transformation**

I was performing the services of the Lord not to fulfill any desires through him, but only to repay my debt to him. So much so that I did not even desire "Moksha," All I wanted to do was, be born as a human four more times, so I could perform the services of the Lord and repay my debt to Him. Even in the dispute related to my land at Miyapur, I prayed to him for protection as a devotee would, but did not say that I should be protected in return for my services to the Lord. I always considered this opportunity to serve the Lord as a means to repay my debt to the Lord. But it seemed to me that the Lord's intent was that I should gain the eligibility to attain Him, within this lifetime. It was for this reason, that He granted me the opportunity to publish the magazine "Sri Venkatesham," so that I could grasp the inner meaning of the Puranas and divest myself of all my negativities and transform myself.

The service of the Lord itself could liberate one from the cycles of life and death, but it would not present one with the opportunity to be blessed with a visible manifestation of the Lord. One had to gain eligibility for it. On his own, why did the Lord not bless me with this opportunity to be in His presence? This meant that this was the way how things worked. Food can be given directly without any conditions to be fulfilled. But it was necessary for humans to put in efforts for attaining the presence of the Lord, like the effort that goes into obtaining food i.e. ploughing the fields, planting the crop, protecting it, harvesting it and then cooking the rice. Once, I even assumed that the gift the Lord had indicated to me in the past could have been staying in his presence. But since I felt that I did not have the capability to develop my eligibility, I considered myself too small and powerless for that gift and did not pursue it further. And since I considered that such a thing could never be achieved without the blessing of the Lord, I totally put it out of my mind. Several times, I felt that the Lord was making me perform different services by indicating this gift, like one would make a small child do by showing the lure of a chocolate.

The Lord observed this and tried hard to change me. In reality, I only wanted to have the opportunity to keep serving the Lord, but he intended that along with being His servant, I should also be a spiritual practitioner. In trying to attain the Lord, human beings should be focused only on Him and nothing else. To achieve this the two vital elements were solitude and a firm resolution. To achieve this, He educated me about several matters. The main among them were 1) Avoid going to any other place except your home and your office; don't talk to others unless absolutely necessary. Live like the "HARIDAS" who is focused on "HARI," even while living amongst people of other faiths 2) Do not worry about not being successful in your business. You will establish the "Padma Peetham" for the Lord in the future 3) He felt very happy for getting me onto his path, by lowering my economic status 4) He told me that I was a part of the core group of His servants 5) He finally told me to shut down my business 6) He granted me the opportunity to serve Him, across multiple lives 7) He showed me indications that He had granted "Vaikuntham" to my mother 8)He asked me to get rid of my worldly desires. He afflicted me with multiple ailments to change me towards this state of mind 9) And finally, He sent my father from "Swarga" to me, to convey the message that I should establish "Harinama Kshetram." He gave me an opportunity to repay my debt to my father. But since I was so taken in by worldly desires, I made the mistake of not recognizing the Lord's true intent. But from 2015 to 2018, the desire to attain the Lord sprouted and grew in me. I cultivated the habit of focusing only on the Lord and neglecting other worldly matters. This went such an extent that people thought I had probably developed a hearing loss or dementia. I strived hard to establish "Harinama Kshetram." But I could not progress at all in the services of the Lord, whose goal was to make me gain eligibility. Finally, in the year 2020, when I reread my experiencesend to end, on the instruction of the Lord, I realized I had lost as far sticking to my resolution was concerned. This gave me extreme grief.

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The mental agony I experienced at that time was indescribable. But the Lord, who is always merciful, blessed me to make another resolution i.e. performing "Srinivasa Kalyanams" (ritual to perform the wedding ceremony of the Lord), and asked me to be victorious in this resolution.

My life thus underwent a phase of change from 2012 to 2020

My current state: The Lord steered me to a different direction in life. He sowed the seed of devotion in me, to make me as devoted as Bharata was. He indicated to me that there would be a Vishnu temple,

near the well in our fields. He made me fulfil one part of my resolution, educated me about the state of my spiritual progress and told me to develop a stronger faith and continue with His services.

**Blessings of the Lord's devotees:** As ordered by the Lord Tirumala Venkateshwara, with the only intent of gaining your benediction and to make you all a part of the Lord's mission, even if it is just for you to receive his blessings, we are publishing all these divine acts of the Lord. Hence, we request every devotee who has read these divine acts, without any regard to age or gender, to remind yourself of the Lord and bless that we succeed in our mission at the earliest.

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