

Greetings!

First and foremost we wish to thank you for your participation at the "**Coming Together Roundtable**" and contributing to its success. We have thus far held three Coming Together Roundtables: one in London and two in Mumbai. You may have attended one or the other or all three Roundtables. The last Roundtable held in Mumbai at the Mancherji Joshi Hall at the Dadar Athornan Madressa on January 15, 2008 was the most significant in content and outcome; having received commitment for staffing at this conference, we are on the threshold of a new beginning, following a protracted period of dialogue and discourse.

We are listing below, some of the action items that have ensued, for further follow-up. Owners have been identified for several of the items; staff service will be available, to the owners, through Yazdi Tantra, if needed, for follow-up.

As we move forward, the adage to remember is that the "Community and I (each one of us) are interdependent." Ours is a "**worldwide community without borders**" with no equal. Each Zarathushti has the responsibility to preserve it, protect it, and enhance it, regardless of our varied religious convictions. We stand on the shoulders of our forbears, who, through their foresight and service, gave us this fine community, which we are duty-bound to preserve, protect and enhance through our devotion and service equal to theirs, in our times, so that their devotion and their service are honored and enshrined in perpetuity.

With this said, let us review the action items enumerated below and let us each identify any additions we may wish to make. Your review of the action items and comments will be appreciated. If you would like to share ownership of a particular action item please do not hesitate to identify your preference.

- (1) Global networking – Yazdi Tantra.
  - (a) Enhance, update and upkeep directory of Zoroastrians worldwide, with the aim to connect all Zoroastrians with one another.
  - (b) Make available to Zarathushtis worldwide and/or source liturgical items, religious artifacts, religious books, prayer books and other related items.
- (2) World Congress RFP [Request for Proposals]  
– Rustom Kevala, Rohinton Rivetna, Firdosh Mehta, Behram Pastakia.

Finalize and implement the RFP so that the selection of the location and entity for the next world congress is smooth and orderly.

- (3) Interfaith and UN Programs – Behram Pastakia, Rohinton Rivetna, Homi Dhalla
  - (a) Initiate a dialogue to hold an all-India conference for Religious harmony.
  - (b) Orchestrate Zarathushti participation in the 2009 Parliament of World's Religions in Melbourne.
  - (c) Prepare a package of information for Zarathushti organizations seeking UN NGO status and encourage Zarathushti organizations to participate in UN related activities.
- (4) Co-ordination of Welfare Programs worldwide – Dinshaw Tamboli
  - (a) Preparation of a bulletin board for the listing and fulfillment of all welfare requests for the use of Zarathushti welfare organizations worldwide.
  - (b) Hold an annual convention of all Zarathushti welfare organizations.
- (5) Worldwide Service Programs – Behram Pastakia
  - (a) Youth exchange
  - (b) Operation Eyesight
  - (c) Organize Zarathushti Peace Corps
- (6) Follow up and Coordination – Yazdi Tantra
  - (a) Collection of pledges received for the employment of a staff person to work on all follow-up items.
  - (b) Hiring a staff person and supervision.
  - (c) Quarterly Reporting
- (7) Cultural Projects – Homi Dhalla
- (8) Zarathushti Pravasi's duties, rights and privileges – Behram Pastakia
  - (a) Articulation of duties, rights and privileges in a document.
  - (b) Socializing the concept and generating a dialogue
- (9) Network of mobeds – PRG
  - (a) A global network of mobeds to be established with the aim: "To promote interaction of mobeds worldwide; mobeds assisting each other; exchange of thoughts and ideas.
- (10) Network of Youth – Passing the Torch to the next generation – PRG
  - (a) Establish a network of youth worldwide.
  - (b) Promote holding of local and regional Next Generation conferences, for the recognition of challenges faced by the Next Generation.
  - (c) Promote Next Generation to hold office, locally and regionally.
- (11) Infrastructure Breakdown/Rebuild.
  - (a) Identify key infrastructure breakdowns and research resources to repair and/or restore.
  - (b) Identify infrastructure needs worldwide.

- (12) Interfaith Marriages – Homi Dhalla
  - (a) Identify ills of interfaith marriages and propagate caution worldwide.
- (13) Cultivation of the Ethic of Collective Giving – Adi Vakharia  
Propagate the idea of families worldwide giving 2% of gross income to Zarathushti causes.
- (14) Code of Civil Conduct/Civility – Er. Ramiyar Karanjia  
Prepare and popularize through media a code of civil conduct for Zarathushtis interacting with other Zarathushtis.
- (15) Establish local Mandals in Mumbai with a network- Faredoon Kapadia
  - (a) Identify local operating Mandals in Mumbai and those that need to be set up.
  - (b) Assist in establishment of new Mandals and set up a network of all Mandals in Mumbai.
- (16) Education for Irani Zarathushti Youth in India – Khodayar Attaie and Dinshaw Tamboli
  - (a) Identify available educational resources in India and pair with Zarathushti youth in Iran that come forward to avail of the opportunity.
- (17) Announce the availability of worldwide service and invite inquiries – Yazdi Tantra

The next “Coming Together Roundtable” is planned to be held in Houston, Texas, USA on December 30, 2008. The Houston Roundtable will have a different flavor since many residing outside US and Canada may not be able to participate and this is precisely what our global community represents to us: oneness no matter where we reside. Your input from your follow up activities throughout the year will give the roundtable continuity and a global dimension.

Again, please review the above mentioned action items to ensure that all are covered and let us begin our work according as they have been assigned. Please make full use of the staff services available. As matters arise throughout the year we shall continue to add them to the list with owners. Periodic reporting by the staff will be crucial every quarter in our communications with each other.

With our very best regards,

Rohinton Rivetna  
Behram Pastakia  
Yazdi Tantra