

16th of AUGUST 1983

(Morning, at the Moksha Dham Dhuni)

Today is a very auspicious day. Today is a very happy day, a day of rejoicing. You are all assembled at the foothills of the Himalayas where the sacred river Gautama Ganga flows. On its banks is this beautiful garden. You are standing here by this beautiful natural spot of overhanging rock covered with abundant green. The splendor of this place is indescribable, as is the spend our of the sanctuary on Mount Kailash. This rock looks so beautiful with the green of foliage and creepers - you can even see the tail end of Hanuman in it (at this point Babaji pointed out some russet colored moss on the rock to Har Govind Baba).

Those of you here today are the most fortunate people in this world! Where you are standing is a most unique spot of spiritual sadhana. Even (the snake with a thousand heads and mouths, upholding the earth) is unable to speak of the greatness and sanctity of this place. Lord Brahma cannot describe its greatness and sanctity either; nor Lord Vishnu with the assemblage of all the Gods and Goddesses. In the name of Lord Rama, this place has been created solely for the benefit of humanity. It is an outstanding phenomenon, a miracle and a wonder of this world. The sun, moon and all the galaxies of stars are forever ready to serve it. I hope that in future this phenomenon of Divine creation will bear great fruit. In the name of Lord Rama, here a yearly celebration will be held on 16th August, commemorating it as a place of divine manifestation. Here is the birthplace of all yogis and the deity of yogis, as the source of their inspiration, and their goal, resides here.

Mahadeva had once told Lord Rama this fact - that this site is the remover of all ills and the giver of all heavenly joys.

In the name of Lord Rama, the sages/munis of this Age have shown great self-sacrifice in order to build this place. In the name of Lord Rama, just as Pramodavan was the beautiful garden of Lord Rama in Ayodhya, so this is the beautiful garden of Lord Shiva. Its name is "Nandan Van."

This divine manifestation, this garden, is not of an ordinary type. It has come into being through the sweat and blood of all devotees. That is why it is so beautifully.

Today is a very happy day. It is a day of great peace and welfare for

mankind. Today is an auspicious day. It is "Mangalvar" ("Mangal," auspicious - Tuesday).

I have told you that I will bring heaven down to earth and today you all are eyewitnesses to this fact. In the name of Lord Rama, I have told Hargovind Baba many times that I shall make Switzerland and Sweden here. In the name of Lord Rama, now you can see the verdure all around. That the place is what you can see today is due to those who have done penance here.

In the name of Lord Rama, what is here today is the outcome of your hard labor and sadhana, of your winning the challenge. Nature posed to you -you have conquered Nature and have created this beautiful garden. In the name of Lord Rama, Mahaprabhuji has given a boon to this place that whosoever drinks the holy water of "Ram-Dhara" and whoever comes to have Darshan of the dhuni, takes vibhuti (sacred ash) and performs any spiritual practicehere, will have the guarantee of being liberated. This has become a written code. This is what Mahaprabhuji tells you. That is why it is called "Moksh Dham" - liberation sanctuary. It is a manifestation of Lord Rama and a center of pilgrimage. It is the entrance door to the Lord. Lakshmana (Rama's younger brother) has been here and so has Sheshnag. In the name of Lord Rama, now I teach this to you - all of you make aprogress obeying orders and following spiritual discipline.

JAI MAHAMAYA KI JAI!

This is the dhuni of the Mother Goddess. It is Her actual form. The octagonal shape reflects Her eight arms. Here auspicious chanting to the accompaniment of musical instruments takes place as though heavenly musicians (Gandharvas) had descended. Today is a very auspicious constellation of stars. Today is Bhaumashami - the eighth day of the Lunar month, coinciding with a Tuesday; the last time this occurred was a hundred years ago. During the time of the Pandavas, the princely heros of the Mahabharata during the time of Lord Krishna, they were waiting for somvatiamavasya, the dark moon day coinciding with Monday. But it did not occur and the brothers were liberated only after much suffering, climbing to the Himalayas, where they died. Today is a great constellation of stars. In the "Durga Sapt Shati" (seven hundred verses in praise of the Goddess Durga), it is written that on Bhaumashami all one's desires will be fulfilled. Now, let the auspicious instruments sound again. (Babaji was inviting the bagpiper and drummer who were present to play.)

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