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SAVE SOIL!

Sadguru's feat of compassion

We have been seeing many amazing feats humans have been performing. The recent one that has been amazing is the one Sadguru has done. He has taken up a marathon motorbike ride for 30,000 KMs from U.K. to India across 26 countries in 100 days.

He didn't do it to earn a recognition. World has already recognized him as the most effective teacher of yogic science of our times. He is not an youngster with fire for creating records. He is 65 years old man. He is not looking for ways of survival. Millions of volunteers and billions of followers created on account of his practically effective tools of wisdom, can take care of his survival and his Isha Yoga center. Even earlier to his becoming a mystic, he was one of the most successful businessman.

Then why did he take up this



marathon of motorbike-ride?

He had immense compassion for humanity. He was concerned of the miserable plight of future generations if the irresponsibility of present generation continued.

For that, he could make a video with his message and circulate the same through out the world through his volunteers. Why the motor-bike marathon?

He was also thoroughly aware of the different levels of awareness common people are of. Most of

them are emotion-driven. Nothing appeals to a common man as an emotional action-filled cinema would, like Rajmouli's "Bahubali" or an amazing feat that's beyond the possibility of a normal human.

Sadguru thought of using his once upon a time-passion of motorbike-riding to draw the attention of people and converted it into a feat of 30k kilo meters ride from U.K. to India across 26 countries in 100 days. It's a highly risky venture to cross different kinds of geographies with different kinds of weathers on a motorbike. What should be the volume of his compassion for taking such a risk? (Of course, it's evident that he has transcended the human limitations of age and energy levels). What is the emergency that demanded such a risk from Sadguru?

It's alarming depletion of agricultural land! Sadguru quoted that



one has to eat 8 oranges in 2020, to get the amount of micro nutrients one got by eating just one orange in early 1920. Such is the loss. The organic content of the soil has to be minimum 3% to 6% if the soil has to be alive and productive. But we have already lost more than 50% of agricultural land because of our acts of unawareness and avarice. If same trend continues, we will produce 45% less food in 2045 and the population would have grown many folds high. Sadguru says that the barbarian culture of eating human flesh may return inevitably or the posterity may die of hunger if we don't make a conscious effort to "Save Soil".

It's for this emergency, Sadguru risked his life. "...what else can I do? You want me to die?", asked Sadguru as he was addressing one of the gatherings. No Sadguru. You live long to make this soil lively once again.

Friends! Let's strengthen the mission of "Save Soil" of this

Compassionate Superman and save ourselves and our posterity.

(I met Sadguru in 2002/3 in Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad (Mrs Surya's house, whose husband was an Income Tax Officer). I had the good opportunity to talk and sing for him. I asked him to bless me with enlightenment as Sri Ramakrishna did to Vivekananda. Quick-witted Sadguru said, "I'll, if you can come like Vivekananda". Later

I was invited as one of the three guests for Linga Bhairavi Puja in Secunderabad, twice. I made a small video for his "Rally for Rivers" movement also. I thought it to be his blessing to me. His stretch now is from anywhere to anywhere in the world. I earnestly wait for my turn to meet him).

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