



## Parichay Sammelan

Marriage is that relation between man and woman in which the independence is equal, the dependence is mutual, and the obligation reciprocal.

Marriage and Career are probably the two most important aspects of adulthood that a person goes through. Choosing the Right Life partner is thus an essential requirement. Selection of a suitable & appropriate marriage partner becomes one of the important decisions of adult life. To facilitate the parents and the younger generation in finding their dream match, Yuvak Yuvati Parichay Sammelans are organized by Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana, for the Jain Community.

In olden days, the aged persons of the Community used to search suitable matches for their children in all communities especially in Jain Community. They had sufficient time to serve the society. But now in the present modern scenario, even the parents do not have sufficient time for their children. The declining sex ratio, more girls getting educated as compared to boys and the preference of girls for boys settled in cities... these are factors creating an unbalanced situation in arranging marriages. Globalization, higher education and changing lifestyle has brought changes in attitude also. Families are now open to idea of youngsters choosing the partner of their choice. However, youth in their single-minded pursuit of career find it difficult to locate a partner of their choice. Though the means of communication have increased manifold, parents can connect with each other and exchange data much more easily but it has not resulted in easy decision-making, on the contrary increased expectation and choices have made the task more difficult.

Parichay Sammelan is the answer to many of these problems, it blends in it all the traditional advantages, such as authenticity and trust, larger community help line and a ready made database which is checked and authenticated. It provides a ready made platform for prospective brides and

grooms to find their life partners, thus simplifying the process of the most important decision of one's life marriage. It saves the money & time and also makes the parents least worried in the matters of marriage of their wards. Now Parichay Sammelan are held in almost all communities and it has become a most useful program.

BJS also urges all its volunteers at all levels to organize such Sammelans for socially ostracized people such as widows, handicapped individuals and divorcees. There are large number of youths in villages who are uneducated and even unemployed they also need to be helped in providing required support in their rehabilitation. The challenges faced by this section of society are much harsher and there are no easy solutions for them. Arranging remarriages for these people is also a burning need of the community. Efforts should be made by each state Head to organize one such Sammelan in a year in their area of responsibility.

These Parichay Sammelan provides enormous preferences. For the last 20 years it has been conducted as a need based program of Jain community.

Objectives of Parichay Sammelan:

- Provide a broad platform for prospective Yuvaks & Yuvatis for choosing a life partner
- Provide a comfortable an congenial atmosphere to meet
- Provide an opportunity for interaction between the families
- Provide a comprehensive database of all the candidates for information of families
- Reduce expenditure and save valuable time
- Easy way for communication and further follow up
- Gives an opportunity for Boys/Girls to speak out their mind, which is not feasible in the traditional manner of family meetings.



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