

SRI SATHYA SAI CENTRAL COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA
National Spiritual Wing



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Greetings and Loving Sai Ram

SPIRITUAL 15 - SPIRITUAL GIFTS FROM BHAGAWAN BABA:

A family that received Swami's robe and a lingam materialised by Bhagawan Himself, has uncertainties about the status of the lingam after the passing on of their parents. The parents worshipped the lingam gifted by Swami.

After much consultation with devotees and officials internationally (4) and nationally, there appears to be wide consensus that:

- Since such a spiritual gift is given to the family by the Lord Himself, it is meant for the family not just for this life but forever;
- Swami usually instructed the devotees to whom He had given the lingam on what had to be done;
- The family should continue to follow the family practice of worshipping the lingam. The worship could take the form of pouring some crystal clear water daily over the lingam with love and dedication, dry it. Thereafter, they could drink the sacred water or distribute the water to those who are unwell (<http://sribhagavansathyasaibaba.blogspot.com/2011/05/sai-baba-golden-lingam.html>)

It must be stated that there are no set rules to strictly comply with from an organisation's point of view but some general advice. There is a case where Bhagawan materialised a lingam for a centre in Kenya (see <http://sathyasaicentrekenya.org/lingam/> or see below for text) and to an individual (see http://media.radiosai.org/journals/Vol_06/01AUG08/11-prasanthi-diary.htm or below for text)

Sai Love

Kishan Bodalina (National Spiritual Convenor)

Sacred Lingam materialised by Swami

The Study Circle Group from Nairobi Centre went to Prashanthi in the year 1998. It was a great day on 29th July, 1998 for the Group and the Sai Center in Kenya as Swami called the group of 23 in number for an interview.

Following is the extract of the interview in the words of one of the group member Bro. Anil Mehta – Service Coordinator of our Centre at that time & also a past student of Swami's College in Puttaparthi. (Brother Anil Mehta was given the Lingam materialised by Swami for this Centre during the interview):

"Swami asked me where is the Sai Center in Kenya, in your house or elsewhere. I said Swami it is a separate and is very nice. We also have a Sarva Dharma Stupa just like the one here in Parthi. Swami suddenly materialised a LINGAM and gave it to me. I said thank you. I said, Swami in 1984 exactly 14 years back you told me that you will give me a SHIVLING. Swami said whether 14 yrs or 400 yrs whatever I say has to come to pass because I AM SATHYA SAI which is TRUTH. Swami then quickly said this is not your private property this is public property. Swami said put it in the center and put one or two spoons of water and give it to the sick and needy. I said Swami should this be kept in lock and key. He said no, nobody can steal it. Somebody asked should there be some sthapna pooja. He said no tantra, no mantra, no need. Swami then took it back from me and wrapped it in an envelope and handed it back to me." This Sacred Lingam is placed on the altar of our Centre which can be viewed in the following photograph:-

<http://sathyasaicentrekenya.org/lingam/>

Lingam to Dr Goldstein

. Then, as all the organisers came around Swami, He spoke to them. All of a sudden, waving His hand, Swami materialised a huge golden Lingam. The lingam was awesome by its sheer size alone! He handed it over to Dr. Goldstein with some instructions. He asked for a cover and wrapped the lingam in the cover. He told him to perform the abhishekam or the holy bath for the deity. Promising further instructions later, Swami displayed the lingam for all the eager devotees to have a look at. There were gasps and shrieks. It is true that in the state of highest happiness, man does not know how to react. The mixture of spontaneous reactions was something that must be seen and heard to be truly experienced!(http://media.radiosai.org/journals/Vol_06/01AUG08/11-prasanthi-diary.htm)