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## PROLOGUE

The Swaminarayan sect is the same effort for Hindu society at the Western coast of India, which started with the emergence of Islam in Arabia fourteen hundred years ago. A Krishna devotee is being established as a new God by the name 'Swaminarayan', which has nothing to do with any scripture or form of Indian Sanatana Dharma. He has been given two names of Lord Vishnu, 'Narayan' and 'Hari', but the same Lord Vishnu has been described as his slave. Not only this, but this god named Swaminarayan, who became an adorable God for Lord Vishnu, calls

Lord Vishnu's wives Lakshmiji and Radhaji as his wives. This new God has been given a new abode named 'Akshardham', where this God sits on the throne and all the gods of Sanatan Dharma including Shiva, Vishnu, Brahma and Maa Shakti worship him with folded hands and standing on one leg as his courtiers. The books of this sect say that all gods of Sanatan Dharma get their power from this new god named Swaminarayan. Therefore, instead of worshiping the servants, one should worship only the original God, Swaminarayan, who gives strength to everyone.

Those who fully join their sect are prohibited from keeping the photo of any god except Swaminarayan in their house and temple. Not only this, they cannot sing Garba for Maa Amba or Shakti during Navratri, and in the wedding invitation card the photo of Swaminarayan has to be kept in place of Lord Ganapati. Even a Krishna Bhaian or Ram-Nam Dhun in their follower's house make the Swamis of the sect terribly annoyed. Instead of giving any scriptures of Sanatan Dharma to read to their children, they give children's literature written by the sect, in which imaginary perverted stories are written where all the gods

of Sanatan Dharma are brutally insulted as servants of Swaminarayan or Sahajanand Swami. The text and speeches of their sect show even the Swamis of their sect superior to any Sanatan Dharma God. Just as with the emergence of Islam it was said that all the gods and goddesses of the earlier Arabic society are false, and only the new God Allah is true, in the same way this sect says that all the gods of Sanatan Dharma till now are true, but they are servants of this new God Swaminarayan. Therefore, instead of worshiping the servants, one should worship only the original supreme God, Swaminarayan. Now let us

# explain to you how they manufactured all this?



## 1. Turning of a vaishnavite sect into a christian and islamic form

Ghanshyam Pande, born in Chhapaiya near Ayodhya Uttar Pradesh, renounced home at the age of eleven with a new name Nilakanth Varni. He started wandering in India as a Sanyasi. He reached Gujarat in 1799 and met Ramanand Swami, the founder of Udhhav Sanpraday, a Vaishnavite sect of Gujarat based on Lord Krishna devotion, Ramanand Swami accepted Ghanshyam Pande as his disciple and gave him a new name Sahajanand Swami in the sect.

Three years later, in 1802, Ramanand Swami died, and Sahajanand Swami became the new chief of the Udhhav sect. Soon after becoming the order's chief, Sahajanand Swami changed the kirtan Dhun of the Udhhav sect, started by Ramanand Swami, from 'Radheshyam Gopal' to 'Swaminarayan'. He gave this new mantra called 'Swaminarayan' for Lord Krishna's devotion. And very soon people started to call him Swaminarayan instead of Sahajanand Swami. He established six Lord Krishna temples in his lifetime where all temple's deity was called 'Narayan' only. Not Krishna, nor Vishnu. In June 1830, Sahajanand Swami died of a gastric disease. Then we find below facts, given in chapter 2.

#### THE BRITISH AND CHRISTIAN INFLUENCE:

We learn of Sahajananda Swami's intimate contact with Sir John Malcolm, the Governor of the Bombay Presidency, and other British bureaucrats. The diary of William Hodge Mill, an English clergyman and teacher of Christianity, who was the principal of the Bishop's College in Calcutta, describes the many meetings between Sahajananda Swami and the clergy of the Christian Church and the English bureaucrats, and how Swaminarayan redefined the scriptures of Hinduism as a result.

It summarily states that 'Swaminarayan Hindu documents of the 1820s help to reconstruct the relationship between the British and Swaminarayan. Hindu relations with colonial (English) officials also progress significantly in this early period, along with Hindu-Christian dialogue. Swaminarayan revived, refined and reinterpreted aspects of Hindu classical thought and practice, leading British officials and clergy to interpret him as a religious and social

reformer whose reforms contributed to social order and welfare.'

Also in a book of Cambridge University of Britain, it is written, 'On February 28, 1830, a meeting between Sir John Malcolm and Swaminarayan took place at Rajkot, which had become natural due to the British control in Gujarat and Sahajananda Swami's growing popularity from Swaminarayan Hinduism. This meeting was the result of several earlier meetings of British bureaucrats and Christian priests with Swaminarayan's religious leaders. This meeting took place during Sahajananda Swami's final illness and

was one of his last visits. John Malcolm also returned to Britain in December. The meeting of the two set in motion forces that significantly influenced the political, social and cultural landscape of India. Those forces continued to exert collateral influence in Britain and throughout the modern transit network wherever migration from Gujarat took place. Below are the links of these articles, books and William Hodge Mill's Wikipedia page.

https://academic.oup.com/book/ 26706/chapter-abstract/195515167? redirectedFrom=fulltext https://www.cambridge.org/core/ books/abs/an-introduction-toswaminarayan-hinduism/beginningsof-swaminarayan-hinduism/ D3183EFD50DAA137D2B02D27CEFDA 707#

## <u>https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/</u> <u>William\_Hodge\_Mill</u>

And after knowing this, it becomes easy to understand how and why a strict form of Christianity and Islam emerged in a Hindu sect of Gujarat, and how it began to desecrate the gods of Sanatana Dharma. Let's see what happened after Sahajanand Swami's meeting with Sir John Malcom and the former's death four months later.

# **2.** BEGINNING OF THE CONVERSION

Sahajanand Swami was a devotee of Krishna, and he gave the mantra 'Swaminarayan' only for the devotion of Lord Krishna. Even in his rule book for the sect called Shikshapatri, he has ordered to worship only Lord Krishna as the supreme God and not to believe anyone above him. A typical Vaishnavite way of devotion. Krishna devotees belonging to the sect were called 'Hari Bhakt' (Vishnu Devotee). But that rule book was

written in 1826, four years before the meetings of Christian priests and British officers with Sahajanand Swami.

After the death of Sahajanand Swami, or according to some sources during his last years only, a new God was created by naming him Swaminarayan. Because the devotees who still came to the sect were called Hari devotees, the word 'Hari' was also given to this new god named Swaminarayan. This new God was given a new Akshardham apart from the Vaikuntha Dham of Lord Vishnu. There was no separate place like Akshardham in the Hindu scriptures,

but 'Akshar Vaikunthdham' has been written many times as an adjective of Vaikunth Dham, where 'Akshar' means imperishable. In some places, Lord Krishna and Vishnu say that 'that supreme abode of mine is Akshar', meaning it is imperishable. Just from this word, this sect created a new adobe, namely Akshardham, whose form is like the court of a dictatorial king.

Below is a link to BAPS website link where these all fanatic perverted stories are built in three books. Ghanshyam Charitra, Nilakanth Charitra and Sahajanand Charitra. All three books are made available in Gujarati, Hindi and English.

## <u>https://www.baps.org/SatsangExam/</u> <u>Studymaterials.aspx</u>

The efforts and mentality of these people are like Islam, but the form of religion is of Christianity. Those who believe and follow the Swaminarayan sect, after death they remain with their Lord Swaminarayan in Akshardham forever. Like in Christianity, just by believing in Jesus, after death you go straight to God or Jesus in heaven. The structure of their BAPS sect is similar to Catholic Christianity, where there is a mediator like the head of the organisation (Pramukh Swami and Mahant Swami) like a Pope between the people who believe in the sect and God sitting in

heaven. Even if Pope isn't like that in Christianity, in BAPS, the Presidents are living God, connected to the superior God Swaminarayan. They are imposing this form of Islam and Christianity on the Hindu society with the names of Hindu scriptures. Their Swamis speak in Satsang openly from the stage that 'If you follow the Swaminarayan sect, but if you drink alcohol even once, you will not get Akshardham. You will have to go to the Kailash of Shiva, where all those people who drink alcohol and marijuana live.' (video link: <u>https://</u> <u>drive.google.com/file/d/</u> <u>19EKiYW01cjwUBiTozveOCorPppCBz0</u> <u>jn/view?usp=drivesdk</u>)

Their books and satsangs are overflowed with vulgar insults of all the Gods and Godesses of Sanatan Dharma. Some of them are given here with their video links.

A person names Gyandip Swami from Vadtal Temple says, 'Goddess Ambika does japa of Swaminarayan, then only she acquires power, and you all people are going to dance around her.'

(Video Link - <u>https://</u> <u>www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=n3g3l9jUk4Y</u>)

The same Gyandip Swami says Mother Shakti an Apsara and says vulgar things ahead in this video. (<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=n3g3I9jUk4Y</u>)

A man named Dharmvallabh Swami from Surat gurukul says, 'Were Rama and Krishna gods? There were murderers. How can be a murderer a god? Dial phone to Shishupal. He knew what was Krishna. Krishna was a cow herd. Just because the hybrid Pandavas believed him God, did he become God?' (Video link - <u>https:// www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=EvaGM84U1\_g</u>)

A Swami from Bhuj temples says that a Swaminarayan Guru was asked by his disciple about why he was laughing. The Guru replied, 'I was peeing and saw a big ant flowing in my urine. But when I saw closely, I found it was Brahma who was flowing. He was Indra in his previous life.' (Video link: <u>https://</u> <u>www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=fk5ZNKT7-Mo</u>)

A swami from Sokhada temple is saying, 'A Swaminarayan monk was passing through the famous Krishna temple of Dakor with his pupil. The student asked, ' Can I go to do Darshan?' The swam replied, 'Don't you know who we are, and what our class is? Go and give Darshan.' (video link - <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>kinner.aacharya.5/videos/</u> <u>473167711349376/</u> & one more like that - <u>https://rumble.com/v2gqfn6-</u> swaminarayan-saint-insulting-shankarbhagwan.html)

A swami from Kalupur temple in Muli festival says, 'Bhagavan Swaminarayan said that if Brahma and Indra would bath knowing Swaminarayan's importance, they would have achieved Akshardham.' (video link: <u>https://</u>

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At one more instance like that it is written and spoken that when Swaminarayan was taking his bath, the water went to the gutter flowing from his body. When that water touched three of the frogs in the gutter, the frogs became Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh.

A Swami from Sardhar named Nitysvarupdas says, 'Swaminarayan is the leader of Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh.' (<u>https://rumble.com/</u> v2gq3pu-nityaswarupdas-swami-ofsardhar-swminarayan-templeinsulting-sanatan-dharma.html) Sriji Saurabh Swami from Sokhada temple says that Lord Shiva came to a disciple of Swaminarayan and said, 'I don't have enough grace to do darshan of your Guru.' (Video link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>1 2 8 5 7 7 4 5 8 7 / v i d e o s /</u> <u>pcb.10227698165781419/6092204807</u> <u>48416</u>)

There are numerous insults about Lord Shiva specially. A key swam of their sect says in a book, 'Shiva's ejectuation happened seeing Mohini. How can a person be God or Yogi who has semen in his body?'

Another one says, 'The person whose third eye opens in anger everytime, how can he be a god?'

Their books and wall texts says an incident repeatedly. Lord Shiva came to see his God, the Swaminarayan. But a disciple swam didn't allow Lord Shiva to enter in his place. The disciple said, 'We all are Bhagvan's devotee. How can we allow you to go in before checking that are you bigger devotee than us or not? You have to play wrestling with us. If you will win, we will allow to go in.' Then Lord Shiva and the Swami fought in wrestling where the Swami suppressed Lord Shiva under his shoulder and then he lifted him up to throw down. But Lord Shiva shouted with folded hands and accepted that he had been defeated and the swami was the bigger devotee of Seaminarayan. (Video link: Rajkot Gurukul - Rugnath Charan Swami - https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=I7PTcAWBk3c)

These are just small and soft examples in compare to what is written in this sect's books. This is a silent conversion, which is taking place using the names of Sanatan Dharma. In the main book named 'Akshar Purushottam Darshan' of the BAPS branch, they openly narrate how Swaminarayan used the faith of Hindu people in their gods by establishing those deities in Swaminarayan temples and then slowly made them believe that Swaminarayan is the only true superior God over all of them. The more dangerous is how they describe Hindu society before arrival of Swaminarayan in this book. It tries to create a very similar picture of Hindu Society to what is being told for pre-Islamic Arabian society.

We have given a snapshot of page 65-66 of the 'Akshar Purushottam Upasana' book in chapter 5. Below is a link to BAPS website which contains the pdf of the mentioned book.

Link to BAPS books: <u>https://</u> <u>www.baps.org/SatsangExam/</u> <u>Studymaterials.aspx</u>

So, this is how the entire conversion has taken place in Gujarat, and similarly, the conversion of Hindus settled in foreign countries is taking place. They have taken over the Hanuman temple in Sarangpur, where Hanuman ji is shown as a devotee and servant of Swaminarayan instead of Shri Ram. In that temple they only call Jai of Swaminarayan after Hanuman Arti, not of Lord Ram. Hanumanji is shown serving Sahajanand Swami and his parents the same way it is written in their books too. Even a Swaminarayan Swami named Gopalanand Swami who was devotee of Hanuman in that temple during the time of Swaminarayan is shown superior to Hanuman now.

Text written in their books is like this: When Gopalanand Swami established Hanumanji in Sarangpur temple, he told his disciple Govindanand Swami to go and visit Hanumanji. When Govindanand Swami went to Hanuman idol and tried to touch it's feet, Hanumanji came out of idol and hold his hands saying, 'You shouldn't bow to me. You are servant of Gopalanand Swami, and I am too servant of Gopalanand Swami. So, we are Gurubhai (student of same teacher).' A big controversy had taken place in Gujarat just a few months ago on the same issue in Sarangpur, when

the temple authorities had set up these kind of wall images in public.

This same tactic is now being used for the Hindus settled abroad. This will at one time cut off the Gujaratis living in Gujarat and abroad from the form of Sanatan Dharma and will give rise to conflict with Sanatan Dharma and will lead to situations like Khalistan in Punjab.

In the last year, despite refuting them many times with evidence from the scriptures, the people of the Swaminarayan sect have been adamant on the insistence that their new God with stolen names from Hindu scriptures must be above the Tridev and Panchdev of Sanatan Dharma and the entire form of Sanatan Dharma. And we should understand why we cannot let this happen under any circumstances.

In the form of Sanatan Dharma made from Vedas and Puranas. Parbrahman is worshiped in the form of Tridev and Panchdev. Trinity and Panchdev are the Supreme God, and there is no one above them - this is the form of Sanatan Dharma. If we allow a person to be installed on this form, who has no connection with the Trinity and Panchdev, who is different from them. then this last fort, the last veranda. which gives identity and shape to Sanatan Dharma, will collapse. Then if someone places Jesus or Allah or any Maulana of Islam above all the gods and forms of Sanatan Dharma, then we will not be able to say anything. In every corner of the country and the world, the Gods of Sanatan Dharma will become available to every common man in the form of a slave and servant, and new distorted stories insulting them will take birth behind different supreme Gods in every corner of the world. It would be like putting your religion out in the market and saying, 'Do whatever you want with all these Gods and scriptures.

These Swaminarayan people have themselves made the key to this lock and are now asking for our approval to open this lock because this is the only way to destroy Sanatan Dharma. It is the only veranda and door of this generous Sanatan Dharma which protects it by preserving its form. This is an attempt to open the door of the fort from inside which never opened from outside. Every lover of Bharat who understands that Sanatan Dharma is the real identity of Bharat, and if Sanatan Dharma is destroyed, Bharat ceases to exist, will have to stand against this effort of the Swaminarayan sect. We cannot make

the mistake of creating within ourselves something more dangerous than Islam.

### **3.** The lessons for Sanatani Hindus From Jew - Muslim Conflict

Do you know what was the main reason behind the enmity of Muslims towards Jews? There was a condition Muslims put against Jews. Let's see how giant lesson we Hindus have in that history.

Abraham's wife's name was Sarah. But Abraham did not have any children from Sarah. So Abraham asked Sarah for permission to marry again. Sara gave him permission to marry Hazra. Abraham married Hazra and had a son from her. His name

was Ismail. But after the birth of this child, Abraham and Sarah also had a son, and he was named Isaac. The Arabs considered the descendants of Bibi Hazra's son Ismail as their line of ancestors and prophets. And the Jews considered the descendants of Sarah's son Isaac as their divine messengers. So these Arabs and Jews came into existence as children of two different mothers on the same father. The customs, gods and goddesses of both remained similar to a great extent. The only difference between the two was that both of them considered the descendants of Abraham's different children from different wives as their prophets.

In this, Jesus Christ was first born among the Jews, who spoke of one God over many gods and goddesses

of the Jews and three hundred years after the death of Jesus, the Roman Emperor Constantine, influenced by his wife, accepted Christianity and declared it an official religion of Roman Empire. Thus suddenly the Jews became a minority and the number of Christians among them started increasing. For sixteen hundred years, the Jews in Europe were persecuted by the Roman Christians who descended from them. The last but most dangerous of these atrocities was Hitler's killing of 6 million Jews by putting them in gas chambers. The basic reason for this was the rejection of Jesus Christ and His Father as the only God by the Jews, due to which Christians always hated the Jews. But Jews continued to exist in the area around Jerusalem and the Middle East until the rise of Islam.

In the seventh century, Islam arose among the Arabs with the Prophet Muhammad, who established a single God, Allah, over the ancient gods and goddesses of Arabia. Mohammed and his followers either converted the Arabs to Islam or killed them. And then they reached the Jews who were still living in the area of the presentday country of Israel. Now Mohammed made a new beginning with the Muslim religion. They also considered the descendants of Isaac. son of Abraham's wife Sarah, as their prophets, which the Arabs before them did not do. Therefore, when the Muslims approached the Jews, they placed a basic condition. That the Jews should also accept Muhammad as their last prophet by recognizing the descendants of Ismail, son of

Abraham's wife Hazra, as their prophets. The Jews were not ready for this, because they knew that just as the Muslims who came from Arabia had destroyed Arab civilization and religion, they would do the same to the Jews. To accept that Muhammad was the last prophet was to accept the Quran as the final commandment of God. The Jews refused to accept this condition, and from then on conflict began between Muslims and Jews. Jews died, were displaced, took shelter as refugees all over the world for centuries, and were even massacred there, but they did not give up their religious nature. It is the same as it was in ancient times. In their insistence to save their religious nature, they endured all these massacres. And so when in 1947 they were again given a small district-like country where their civilization was born, they became powerful again. Today, in response to attacks from surrounding Muslim countries they have taken three times the land that was given to them. And even today, the Jewish lobby is said to be the most powerful lobby in the Western world and especially in America, which can run the government as per its wish.

Lesson for Hindus: So there are two lessons for Hindu society in this history of the Jews.

1. Get rid of the cult of external supreme gods arising within you from time to time. Otherwise you will have to suffer what the Jews suffered from the Christians for sixteen hundred years.

2. Maintain the Panchadev structure given in the Puranas as the formed representation of the formless Supreme Brahma of Vedas. That maintains the structure and form of vast Sanatan Dharma. Do it as the Jews have maintained their form. If someone comes to you asking you to abandon the Panchadev form or to accept an outsider in it, then consider him as your enemy. It has come to break that important fortress built around Sanatan Dharma. Once it is broken, any man can destroy your religious form by becoming the supreme god of your gods. If you maintain your form, you will be able to rise again and again like the Jews even after centuries. If you leave your form then consider that you never existed like the ancient Arabians.

Therefore, if you are a Hindu then always remember these two lessons. Any form is formed only when it has a boundary, no matter how huge it is, but it must be there and cannot be violated. There can be no compromise with it.

## **4.** Sanatan dharma sanrakshak Committee

Now a special committee is formed to counter this Swaminarayan problem in Gujarat. The committee is formed under the guidance of Sharadapith Dwarikamath's sitting Shankaracharya Shri Sadanand Saraswatiji, and many other renowned saints and sages of Gujarat. The committee named Sanatan Dharma Sanrakshan Samiti, is thinking these three options to the Swaminarayan sect which all of you should pay attention to.

1. There is no such God like Swaminarayan in the form of Sanatan Dharma and in the scriptures ranging from Vedas to Puranas. There is no such God apart from Trideva and Panchdeva who is worshiped by Shiva and Vishnu and in whose Akshardham Shiva, Vishnu, Brahma, Shakti, and all Sanatani Gods pay salute to him. So, you cannot destroy the form of Sanatan Dharma by inventing a new God distinguished from Sanatan principles and placing him at the top of the entire Sanatan Dharma. Nor can you use the names of our Gods and

Goddesses of Sanatan Dharma to show your new God as supreme. Some are allowed to call Allah the only God, some are allowed to call Jesus the only God. Hey, one is allowed to consider one's father as the only God in the Sanatan world. But no one has the right to say that Allah or Jesus or anyone's father is the supreme God and all the gods of Sanatan Dharma are his servants, who pay salute him in his abode. This is not only spiritual corruption and immorality, but also a legal crime. This is not only an act of deliberately hurting the sentiments of the entire Hindu society, but also an endeavor at

a conspiracy and hidden war against the entire Sanatan Dharma. This is a religious conversion.

2. So, we as the representative of Sanatan Dharma instruct you to remove the names of all the Gods and Goddesses of Sanatan Dharma from all the books of your sect. This new God of yours, which has nothing to do with the scriptures of Sanatan Dharma, you should remove the word 'Narayan' from his name, and stop using the word 'Hari' for him. Both of these names are of Lord Vishnu, and according to your own books, this new Lord of yours is not Vishnu, and his abode is also not the Vaikuntha

Dham of Lord Vishnu. You give a new name to your new God which has no similarity with any name of the worshipers of Sanatan Dharma, and then you are free to call Him the only God of the world. But you cannot compare him with any god of any other religion or sect, either from your mouth or from your books. You are expected to do this before we take this matter to court as a legal offense.

3. Or there is also a virtuous path, where you bring your books and thoughts back to the original truth. That is, by establishing Sahajanand Swami as a devotee of Lord Krishna, the Swaminarayan idol of all those temples should be transformed into the idol of Lord Krishna. Leave the form of Islam and Christianity and return to your original Vaishnavite form.

## 5. evidence

1. Four main books of BAPS where these kind of open anti Sanatan text is written are given on this link in English, Hindi and Gujarai. The books name Nilakanth Charitra, Ghanshyam Charitra, Sahajanand Charitra, and Akshar Purushottam Upasana. We have given some important snapshots of the books here in this chapter.

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Screenshots are on next pages.

Sahajanand Charitra

mastered the great wisdom of killing, hypnotism and paralysis. I have won the favour of Sharda Devi. With one puff of my breath, I can split a mountain into two, make heavy rain fall and set water ablaze. So, give me ten thousand rupees or I shall have the entire town drowned in the sea." Maharaj nonchalantly replied, "We have no money. If you want food, we are prepared to serve you with food. If you want to send your goddess you can do so. You can try your occult powers and black magic. We do not fear anything."

"I'll show you," said Magniram, striking the ground with his forceps, and returned to his lodgings. After taking a bath he performed puja. He tried many mantras but none were effective. At last he invoked goddess Sharda, who spoke to him, "With what aim had you left home? Didn't you want to attain God? Also, you were offered a bride, yet why did you remain a celibate? Because you wanted to realize God." Thus the goddess gave a lot of advice and said in conclusion, "Swaminarayan is superior to Indra, Chandra, Brahma, Vishnu, Mahesh and he is the master of all the gods. He is the object of my worship too. None can defeat him. So many goddesses like me long to serve at his feet. Therefore, be humble and seek his patronage. Become a sadhu and please him by *jnan*, service and bhakti."

This advice opened the inner eye of Magniram. He repented for all his misdeeds. An intense desire to seek refuge in Maharaj arose. He could not sleep the whole night.

At daybreak, after taking a bath, Magniram arrived at Maharaj's lodgings. He started cleaning the utensils which were lying in the kitchen from the previous night. After some time, some sadhus passed by. He very politely offered his respects to them. Then he went to Maharaj. He prostrated at Maharaj's feet and begged his pardon. He narrated what goddess Sharda had told him the previous night. He said, "Maharaj! You are supreme among all the avatars. You are the master of all. Please forgive all my crimes. Please be merciful and accept me. Make me your sadhu."

#### 4.7 QUESTIONS REGARDING SUPREMACY

Let us now discuss certain questions regarding the knowledge of Shriji Maharaj's supremacy.

Question 1: If Bhagwan Swaminarayan is supreme, why has

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he been described as Krishna in the Vachanāmrut, in other shastras of the Sampradaya and in the kirtans of the *paramhansas*?

**Answer:** During the time of Shriji Maharaj, there were many faiths and cults, some of which expounded irreligious practices, accepted false gurus, believed in superstitions and indulged in black magic. Their influence was widespread. All of these fiercely opposed the new Sampradaya. In such trying times, if any person tried to identify himself as God, people would naturally be reluctant to join the Sampradaya out of sheer dismay. The acceptance of a new idea is always gradual. Shriji Maharaj was therefore identified initially as a Satpurush, then as an avatar and finally as Purushottam – the *avatari* of all avatars. As the aspirants' faith in him deepened, the *paramhansas* depicted Shriji Maharaj in more inspiring and enlightening terms.

In the initial stages, Muktanand Swami recognized Shriji Maharaj as Sadguru. In the *ārti* composed at Kalvani, he wrote, "Jai Sadguru Swami"; in the next stage in which he recognized Shriji Maharaj as Krishna he wrote, "Chhāndi ke Shri Krishna dev" and finally, recognizing Shriji Maharaj as Purushottam, he wrote, "Māiri me to Purushottam var pāyo" and "Piyā pāyā to fir kyā sonā". This illustrates his gradual realization of Shriji Maharaj's supremacy.

To attract people, Shriji Maharaj consecrated the *murtis* of those deities at the places where they were popularly worshipped. Their devotees came for darshan. By subsequent association with the sadhus, they developed unshakeable faith in Shriji Maharaj's supreme and sublime form. Gradually, the true *upāsanā* began to be widely accepted in the Sampradaya.

Eminent *sadgurus* explain with a simple illustration: *'Sthulārundhateenyāya'*, i.e., when a child is shown the crescent moon, the moon is pointed out to be 'on that roof'. The roof is merely mentioned to locate the moon. This does not mean that the moon is actually on the roof. In reality, the moon is far away.

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2. A fanatic philosophy is written by BAPS's Bhadresdas Swami named Akshar Purushottam Darshan. BAPS is trying to make it validated here and there, not just as a simple philosophy, but seventh Darshan after six Vedantic Darshans of Sanatan Dharma. as a next Darshan after six Vedanta Darshans. They first somehow brought validation of a Kashi Vidvat Parishad at Kashi, but later Vedic Scholars of Banaras Hindu University refuted it and called it a myth.

Then when the Kashi Vidvat Parishad also came to know about this sect's truth, the Vidvat Parishad also issued a letter condemning the entire sect. Now Shankaracharyas of various Peeths are asking for this darshan from them to study, but they are running away from giving it. Below are all the pictures. First is the chart of that Darshan where Swaminarayan is at the top of Srishti as formed God, and Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva are on the eighth spot below him.

Below is a link of video where this Swami Bhadresdas is uttering those verses of Gita that Lord Krishna has spoken about himself, but the Swami is asking his sect's followers that when Krishna told this for whom he was speaking? And the followers of the sect answer - Pramukh Swami, Then the Swami asks today for who they were spoken? The crowd shouts -Mahant Swami. The same Mahant Swami, the current president of BAPS had spoken once in a Hotel of Hongkong to his disciple that these all businessmen of Hongkong believe that they are running their businesses, but they don't know that it is him

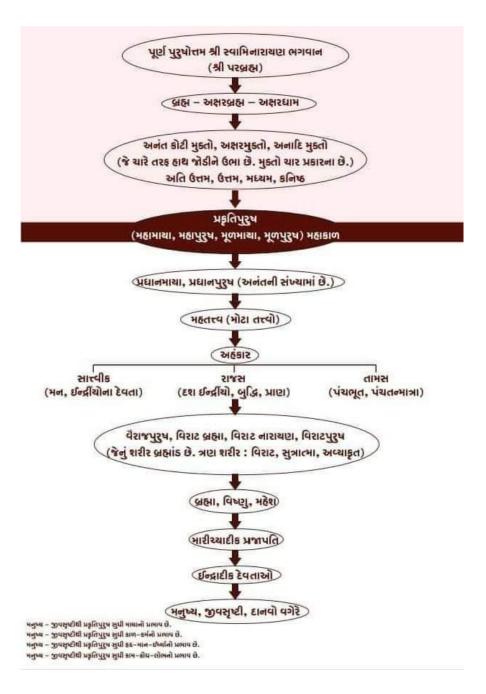
(Mahant Swami) who is controlling all universes. And the poor disciple is caught saying this foolishness in one of his motivational speeches. The speech is famous for its hilarious content.

Below is the link to that video.

Bhadresdas Swami after the completion Pramukh Swami Mahotsav of Ahmedabad.

Video link: <u>https://</u> <u>drive.google.com/file/d/</u> <u>19D3eW3bST5QjeyMB33N9cFpxT-</u> <u>HUQw44/view?usp=drivesdk</u>

Photos are on next page.





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काशीविद्वत्परिषद् ने कहा सनातन धर्म को उपास्य देवों का अनादर किसी कीमत पर वर्दास्त नहीं... प्रो. रामनारायण

प्रो. रामनारायण दिवेदी महामंत्री श्री कार्शीविद्वत्परिषद ने कहा हमारे सनातन धर्म में पंचदेवोपासना का विधान है। हम सभी पंथों सम्प्रदायों का आदर करते है परंतु अगर कोई पंथ या संप्रदाय हमारे इप्ट देवताओं को सेवक, परिकर के रूप में अपने मंदिरों में रखते है या प्रस्तुत करते है कतई वर्दास्त नहीं है। समाज में इस तरह की बातें अभी स्वामी नारायण संप्रदाय, गुजरात के कुछ स्थानों से तथाकथित विडिओ और चित्र तथा सोशल मीडिया के माध्यम से आयी है वह सर्वथा अनुचित है। काशीविद्वत्परियद् इसका घोर विरोध करती है। साथ ही साथ कुछ तथाकथित लोगों ने नाथ संप्रदाय की विरुद्ध में अभद्र टिप्पणी की है सोशल मीडिया के माध्यम से जो सर्वथा अनुचित है। नाथ संप्रदाय हमारे सनातन धर्म का अंग है। महराज भर्तृहरी से लेकर सभी नाथ संप्रदाय के संतों ने भारत की गरिमा और महिमा को बद्धाया है तथा राष्ट्रहित में अद्वितीय योगदान दिया है। इस संप्रदाय के मूल गुरु आदिनाथ शिव है। इसलिए इस संप्रदाय पर किसी भी प्रकार की कोई टिप्पणी यदि कोई कललनेमी अपने चोल को रंग कर इस संप्रदाय के खते है। इससिए इस संप्रदाय पर किसी भी प्रकार की कोई टिप्पणी यदि कोई कालनेमी अपने चोल को रंग कर इस संप्रदाय के विरुद्ध इस तरह की कोई वात करता है उसके खिलाफ कड़ी कार्यवाही होनी चाहिए। निधित ही राष्ट्रविरोधी ताकतों से उस व्यक्ति के संबंध होंगे, इसकी जांच होनी चाहीये। हम लोग भगवत्पाद शंकराचार्य के मूल संस्थापित सिद्धांतों के उपासक है। काशीविद्वत्यरियद् सभी शैव और वैष्णव अखाड़ो का सम्मान करती है तथा धर्म प्रचार- प्रसार एवं शास्त्रों के संरक्षण में लगे पुच्य संतों का आदर करती है किन्तु धर्म के साथ खिलवार करने वाले एवं हमारे देवप्रतिमाओं के साथ अनादरभाव प्रकट करने वाले लोगों के खिलाफ कडी कार्यवाही ही नी मांग करती है।

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Time of Inception	Exponent	Name of Darshan	Metaphysical Entities	Key Features
8th century	Shankara	Advaita	One: Nirguna Brahman	The attribute-less, formless Brahman is the only reality <sup>1</sup> The universe, its constituents and all individual selves are unreal <sup>2</sup> Brahman and the individual action are metaphysically non-dual <sup>3</sup> Knowledge is the only and utilimate means to     realizing one's identity as Brahman <sup>4</sup>
11th & 12th	Ramanuja	Vishisht- advaita	Three: Chit, Achit & (Saguna) Brahman	<ul> <li>Individual souls and the universe exist as distinct metaphysical categories, but are ultimately wholly dependent on God, as the body is on the soul?</li> <li>Brahman has a driver form<sup>2</sup> and infinite positive antitrutes<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Bhakti is the ultimate means to attaining liberation, but is aided by the knowledge of God's giory (grann and performance of one's dutes Karma)<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
12th or 13th	Nimbarka	Dvaitadvaita	Three: Chit, Achit and Brahman	Krishna is the supreme being and Radha his principal devotee <sup>9</sup> Individual souls (chit) and maya (acht) are distinct from Brahman     (dvaita), yet cannot exist independently without Brahman (advaita) <sup>10</sup> Bhakti is the principal means for liberation <sup>11</sup>
13th & 14th	Madhva	Dvaita	Two: Swantantra- tattva and Paratantra-tattva	• Wahns is the sole independent entity? • All other entities, including the universe and real bruck dependent on Volteru for their existence <sup>13</sup> • There is a fine-disabilitatial difference within realities: 1) between the loss and God. 2) between insentient matter and God. 3) within different forms of insentient matter <sup>14</sup> ■ Bhaka, founded upon homologies of God's gody, is the means to liberation <sup>15</sup> • Bhaka, Provide gone homologies of God's gody.
15th & 16th	Vallabha	Shuddh- advaita	Three: Chit, Achit and Brahman	Brahman is the singular metaphysical entity to exist <sup>16</sup> Brahman, by his own will likely, becomes the jusa and world <sup>17</sup> Brahman remains forever pure, degethe has asociation with Jusa and maya, and jusa and maya are understood as pure, because of their association with Brahman <sup>18</sup> Complete refuge in and nine-fold braksi of Krishma is the primary worl Disension <sup>19</sup>
16th	Chaitanya Mahaprabhu	Achintya- bhedabheda	Three: Chit, Achit and Brahman	Krishna is the supreme Gothwad <sup>30</sup> and is worshiped alongside Radhu <sup>31</sup> Chatanaya is the combined manifestation of Radha and Krishna <sup>32</sup> The difference bidehal of non-difference (abhad) between     God and the individual selexes, the universe, and his powers is     inconceivable (achintya), as between fire and his sparks <sup>21</sup> Bhadt-rasa's the ultimate means and end <sup>34</sup>
19th	Bhagwan Swaminarayan	Akshar- Purushottam	Five: Jiva, Ishwar, Maya, Akshar (Brahman) and Purushottam (Parabrahman)	Snuminazyan is Parabrahman Purushottam, the highest reality <sup>25</sup> # Akshir is distinct from Purushottam and genater than all else except Purushottam <sup>26</sup> # Purushottam remains present on earth through Akshar, who takes the form of the hilving usu, for the contaute liberation of condities souls <sup>27</sup> # The way to and fruit of libration is to realize onesite as Akshar and offer devotion b Purushottam Who living servitude <sup>28</sup>

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पाडत सभा में काशा के विद्वानों ने अक्षर पुरुषोत्तम दर्शन का खंडन किया। अक्षर और पुरुषोत्तम दोनों को सर्वकारण का 3. Kalupur Swaminarayan Temple Website

https://www.swaminarayan.in

 Goddess Lakshmi is shown as Sahajanand Swami's wife and doing seva of him.

https://www.swaminarayan.in/oursampraday/swaminarayan-faith/ ghanshyam-charitra/laxmiji-visits-herhusband

• Markenday Rishi came to Sahajanand Swami's home in Brahman look and did the Namkaran ritual.

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 Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva came to see Sahajanand Swami's Yagnopavit Samskara. <u>https://www.swaminarayan.in/our-</u> <u>sampraday/swaminarayan-faith/</u> <u>ghanshyam-charitra/janoi-yagnopavit</u>

 Nar-Narayan Dev from Badrikashram came to do Darshan of Sahajanand Swami

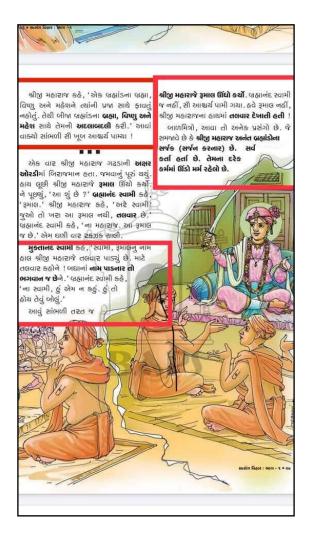
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4. 'Sri Purushottam Lilasagar' published by Swaminarayan Temple, Bhuj.

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5. BAPS - Satsang Vihar, Part 1 & 2. Children books.

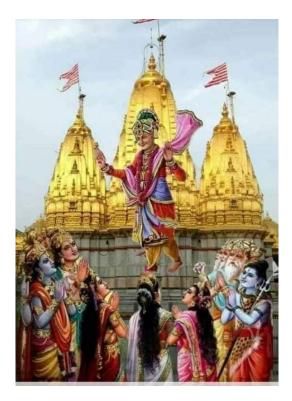
The page is saying that people of one universe were not happy with Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva of their universe. So, Sahajanand Swami moves his eyes ball here and there, and interchanged Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva of one universe with the other universe.



6. Lord Hanuman as servant of Sahajanand Swami. This is the only form now made into the Sarangpur Hanuman Temple.



7. Swaminarayan aka Ghanshyam Pande, died in 1830, is shown here giving boon and power to all the Gods of Sanatan Dharma.



### सनातन धर्म के आचार्य गण के निवेदन:

1. The statement of Jagadguru Sri Sadanand Sarasvatiji, honorable Shankaracharya of Shardapith, Dwarika on Swaminarayan issue.

Video link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/</u> 19GoZh67Jf2M4UwOdQoXjuO7X7nS6bZfp/view? usp=drivesdk

2. The statement of Jagadguru Avimukteshvaranandji, honorable Shankaracharya of Joshimath, Uttarakhand on Swaminarayan issue.

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3. The statement of Shri Raghavacharyji, honorable Acharya of Ramanujacharya sect on this issue.

Video Link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/</u> <u>19NfKZ9IOVLBV2vIDHF4-OFxki-ZnYNAE/view?</u> <u>usp=drivesdk</u>

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