

Weekly Zoroastrian Scripture Extract # 152 – Inauguration of a brand new magnificent NY ZAGNY/IZA/DMZT Dar-e-Meher and the blessings of Atash Padshah to the whole Zarathushtri Community!

Hello all Tele Class friends:

In the lives of NA Zarathushtris, a celebration of epic dimensions took place in ZAGNY/IZA/DMZT Associations in NY on the Fasli Khordad Saal (3/26/2016)! On this day, the brand spanking new 2 stories ZAGNY/IZA/DMZT Dar-e-Meher was inaugurated in Pomona, NY in front of an overflowing congregation of over 600 Humdins; and 31 Mobeds participated in the inauguration Jashan led by none other than Iranshah Vada Dasturji Dastoor Khurshed Dastoor Kekobad Dastoor!

(Please see the attached photos from ZAGNY website: www.zagny.org

The direct YouTube link is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ny1QYazcXCA>)

And after the Jashan ceremony, all Mobeds proceeded to the Sanctum together with the young Mobed carrying the Jashan Atash. The senior ZAGNY Mobed Pervez Patel transferred the Atash Padshah to the Sanctum brand new Afargaanyu and using sukhad and loban lighted the Atash Padshah for the first time in the new Dar-e-Meher!

Dasturji Khurshed was requested into the Sanctum by Mobed Pervez and he stood by his side throughout the Boi ceremony. Led by Dasturji and Mobed Pervez, all Mobeds joined them in Atash Nyaayesh, Doaa Naam Setaayeshne and Doaa Tandoorasti. The first ever Boi Ceremony in the Dar-e-Meher with the 9 peals of the brand new bell brought utterly heart warming feelings to me personally and I was so thankful to Dadar Ahura Mazda for my presence in the Sanctum!

And the utterly disgusting rumor mill was already started by some utterly disgusting Parsi Humdins who wrote in an email:

“The opening ceremony of New York Dar-e-Meher by Udvada High Priest.

The biggest joke... Udvada high priest igniting fire by gas.

Will such fire have the sanctity ? Why are we fooling ourselves?”

We all have to wonder what hallucinations this Humdin was having?

The Boi Ceremony was witnessed by all 31 Mobeds, all over 600 Humdins in the Dar-e-Meher, all over 1500+ Humdins witnessing LIVE on ZAGNY website

all over the world and they all saw how Mobed Pervez (Dasturji never touched the Padshah Saheb) used sukhad and loban to keep the Atash Padshah blazing and this Humdin saw Dasturji igniting the fire by gas?!!??

Such a disgusting rumor is an utterly disgusting insult to all of us in general and to Dasturji, Mobed Pervez and the whole ZAGNY/IZA/DMZT Anjumans in particular!

Only thing we can do is to pray the beautiful words from the famous Verse “Vainit Ahmi Nmaaneh” of Avesta Doaa Tandoorasti: Taa Ahmi Nmaane:

“Vainit ahmi nmaaneh

Arshukhdho Vaakhsh Mithaokhsem Vaachim,
Asha Drujem!”

“In this house

May the true-spoken word smite the false-spoken word distorting truth!”

Let all of us stand shoulder to shoulder against such rumor mongering Humdins!!

Jo Ann and I were fortunate to attend this grand gala occasion (I am one of the oldest ZAGNY Member since its inception)! We congratulate ZAGNY, IZA and DMZT for their unbelievable achievement and wish them all the best in the coming centuries! We are sure that this will be a major factor in binding the Parsis and Iranis Humdins in a common objective of preserving our religion, customs and prayers in our NA diaspora! May Dadar Ahura Mazda shower HIS Choicest blessings on them for creating such a wonderful edifice for generations to come!

On behalf of all of us present at the Dar-e-Meher, Mobed Pervez offered Sukhad and loban to Atash Padshah Saheb during the Jashan as well as during the Boi ceremony. And while praying Atash Nyaayesh, Atash Padshah Saheb is saying (Atash Nyaayesh Verses 8 – 10):

(Please hear the attached .mp3 file for their recitation)

(8) Vispanaam para-charentaam, Aatarsh zasta aa-didhaya,
Chim hakha hasheh baraiti, fracharethwaaoo armaeshaaidheh

(9) Aa-at yezi-sheh aem baraiti, aesmem vaa ashaya baretem,
Baresma vaa ashaya frastaretem, urvaraam vaa hadhaanepataam,
Aa heh paschaeta frinaiti, Aatarsh Mazdaao Ahuraheh,
Khshnuto atbishto haghdhanghum.

(10) Upa thwaa hakshoit geush vaanthwa,
Upa viranaam pourutaas.

Upa-thwaa verezvatcha mano,
verezvatcha hakhshoit anguha.
Urvaakhsh-anguha gaya jigaesha,
taao khshapano yao jvaahi.
Imat Aathro aafri vanem,
yo ahmaai aesmem baraiti hikush,
raochas-pairishtaan ashaheh bereja yaozhdaataan!

Atash Padshah Saheb saying – Atash Nyaayesh Verses 8 – 10 Translation

(8) The Fire looks at the hands of all comers and says:
What does the walking friend bring to the sitting friend?

(9) But if any person brings unto that fire
either fuel with sincere heart or Baresman spread,
or the fragrant plant called Hadhaanaepata,
Unto that offerer sanctimoniously,
then the Fire of Ahura Mazda being pleased,
revered and satisfied gives a blessing as follows:

(10) Unto thy family may the flock of cattle increase!
Unto thy family may there be an increase of heroic men!
May thou have an active mind!
May thy life be active!
Mayest thou live a joyous life, those nights that thou livest!

(The above mentioned is the blessing of the Atash Padshah Saheb for Mobed Pervez, and through him to all our Hafta Keshwar Zamin Humdins, who brought to Atash Padshah Saheb dry fuel, examined in the light and purified with the blessings of righteousness.)

(Translation from Ervad Kangaji's Gujarati *Khordeh Avesta* Translated Into English Pages 82 - 83)

SPD Explanation:

1. Next time you visit an Agiyari or Atash Behram or a Dar-e-Meher, remember these words!
2. The blessings for the cattle and heroic men signifies that this prayer was written in olden times of agricultural pastoral living.
3. The whole Atash Nyaayesh is taken from Yasna 62.

May the Flame of Fellowship, Love, Charity and Respect for all burn ever

eternal in our hearts so we can do HIS work with humility, diligence and eternal enthusiasm!

Atha Jamyat, Yatha Aafrinaamahi! (May it be so as we wish!)

Love and Tandoorasti, Soli

ZAGNY Daremeher Boi Ceremony.



ZAGNY Daremeher Jashan.

Inauguration: Arbab Rustam Guiv Dar-E-Mehr New York

