



AAPRAVASI GHAT TRUST FUND

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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: Call for Articles for the

Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Souvenir Magazine 2024

In the context of the national commemoration of the 190th anniversary of the arrival of the indentured labourers in Mauritius, the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund will be launching its annual magazine on 2nd November 2024. This year it will be a souvenir magazine therefore, a special issue. With the above-mentioned context, AGTF is kindly inviting you to submit an article of between 1200 to 1500 words which may also include photos and illustrations for which prior permission for publication should be obtained.

The proposed magazine articles should be in line with the objectives of the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund Act of 2001 (amended in 2006 and 2011) and of the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site Research Plan as listed below:

1. Be a work that conducts research to document and further appreciate the extent and scope of indenture;
2. Be a work that relates the Mauritian indentured experience within the perspective of indenture in the world;
3. Be a work with a multi-disciplinary approach to better appreciate the Mauritian experience with indentured labour;
4. Be a work documenting the Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Property as the symbol of indenture in the 19th and the early 20th century, its Buffer Zone located in the city centre of Port Louis, and other indenture sites;
5. Be a work that documents the modalities and dynamics that led the British colonial power to choose Mauritius as a test case for the implementation of the indentured system; and

6. Be a work that provides information on the impact of the indentured system on Mauritian society and on indenture in the Indian Ocean region and in the world; which would include the experiences of indentured workers and indenture sites in other countries;

7. Be a work that looks at the intangible cultural heritage of the indentured workers and their descendants which includes oral history and oral traditions; this can also include the experiences/life-stories of the indentured workers and their descendants; genealogy;

8. Be a work related to the International Indenture Labour Route Project and other recent indentured labour conferences and seminars recently held in Mauritius and overseas;

9. Any themes or topics related to indentured labour, the experiences of the indentured workers and their descendants, Aapravasi Ghat World Heritage Site, its Buffer Zone, and other indenture sites in Mauritius and different parts of the world.

We would be grateful if a soft copy of your article could be forwarded to this office at latest Tuesday, 30 April 2024 by noon to the following email addresses: aapravasi@intnet.mu, satyendrapeerthum@gmail.com, and bbahadoor9@gmail.com.

Kindly note that AGTF has a firm deadline to ensure the publication of the magazine therefore, we will not be in a position to consider articles submitted after the deadline.

The articles will be reviewed and edited by AGTF's Editorial Committee and AGTF reserves the right not to publish the article.

For further information please feel free to contact Mr. Satyendra Peerthum, Historian at AGTF, on 5-489-1918 and Mrs. Babita Devi Bahadoor, Research Assistant at AGTF.

We also take this opportunity to inform that our office is located on the 14 & 15 Floors, Hennessy Court, Pope Hennessy Street, Port Louis.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Your faithfully,


H. Ramgoolam (Mr)
Director

Cc://Mr. Lovehin Andiapen, Acting Head of the Technical Unit & WHS, AGTF