Dear Zone Chairs,

Om Sri Sai Ram.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) disease has now spread to more than 120 countries and has been declared as a pandemic and public health emergency by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

The SSIO has given an advisory regarding this epidemic, which includes the information on the SSIO website and a video message from Dr Narendranath Reddy, Chairman, SSIO.

The video can be played/downloaded

from: https://www.sathyasai.org/announcements/corona-virus-update

## The video addresses:

- The medical facts and recommended precautions about COVID-19
- The response of the SSIO
- Bhagawan's advice to Sathya Sai devotees and spiritual seekers, in such situations.

Regarding this illness, the latest scientific information from reliable sources can be found here: <a href="https://sathyasai.org/healthy-living/coronavirus">https://sathyasai.org/healthy-living/coronavirus</a>

In response to the evolving nature of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and concern for the health and safety of members, the Sathya Sai International Organization has decided to take the precaution of cancelling all the upcoming major SSIO events until June 15, 2020. Pre-World Conferences/Young Adults Festivals scheduled before June 15 will be re-scheduled as Post-World Conferences/Young Adults Festivals in 2021.

The decision to postpone these events was made after extensive discussions and deliberations. A decision has also been made to cancel all other major National and Regional SSIO Events.

We should also remember that prayers are very powerful. The Sai Gayatri mantra, as well as the Gayatri mantra, is being chanted by Sai devotees around the world for the welfare of humanity. Let us all be united and pray with intensity as often as possible. This is an important spiritual practice that can help alleviate this global health threat due to the Coronavirus.

Please share this information with all SSIO members.

Thank you.

Lovingly in the Service of Sai,

Anupom Ganguli, Ph.D.

Chairman, Media Committee

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