

## PREPARATION GUIDELINES FOR LAKSHMI PUJAN (DHAN PUJAN)

The items needed to perform this puja are listed below.

- Bājōth (small table) with a red or similar cloth covering
- Guru Parampara murti
- Coin with Lakshmi on it or any other coin
- Divo (that will last 30 mins)
- Flower and/or whole fruits for decorating the bājōth
- Flower petals
- Plate
- Kanku (slightly moist)
- Chokhā (rice grains)
- Abeer, Gulāl and Haldal, or just Haldal (turmeric)
- Nādāchhadi (one per yajmān)
- Paper napkins (at least one per yajmān)
- Bowl of clean water with spoon
- Empty bowl in which to empty the water during the puja
- Tarbhānu (empty large bowl) for Lakshmi's panchāmrut snān
- Panchāmrut: milk, yoghurt, ghee, honey and finely ground sugar, each in a small bowl with spoon – or combined in one bowl
- Lukewarm clean water to bathe Lakshmi after the panchāmrut snān
- Fresh cloth napkin to dry Lakshmi after the panchāmrut snān
- Mithāi (sweets), mukhvās and a glass of fresh water to offer to Thakorji and Lakshmi
- Arti, ghantadi and matches/lighter



1. Prepare the set-up as shown in the image above and sit to perform the puja in front of your ghar mandir or your TV, computer, tablet, etc. where you can follow the webcast. You should be facing either East or North.
2. It is preferable to have a clean and fresh body to perform the puja. Everyone should wear clean traditional attire.
3. When performing the puja, the wife should take her place on the *right* of her husband.

At the end of the puja, all family members should bow down to their elders and seek their blessings.