

Chapter 15

“I Am Included in Yogi Maharaj”

Having heard that Shastriji Maharaj would be visiting the home of the ailing Shankarlal Solicitor, Dhirubhai Bhatt came to request Shastriji Maharaj to visit his home as well. Shastriji Maharaj quietly heard his request and said, “Fine, I shall come.”

After the assembly concluded, Shastriji Maharaj called Dhirubhai Bhatt, took out a letter from under his cushion, and asked him to read it. Champaklal Sheth of Ahmedabad had written an open letter stating: “No one should insist on having Shastriji Maharaj visit their home. However, by his instruction, they can have Yogi Maharaj and Nirgundas Swami visit their home instead.”

After reading this, Dhirubhai said, “I will do as you say.”

Shastriji Maharaj said, “Take Yogi Maharaj to your house. I am included in him.”

Then, Yogi Maharaj visited Dhirubhai’s home, and Dhirubhai was very pleased.

Surprisingly, after this occasion, whenever Yogi Maharaj went to Dhirubhai’s house, he would declare, “This house has been sanctified by Shastriji Maharaj’s presence.” In reality, Shastriji Maharaj had never been to his house! But Yogi Maharaj’s apparent intent was to convey that there was not the slightest distinction between Shastriji Maharaj and him.

On February 28, 1950, Morarji Desai, the Home Minister of Bombay state, came for Shastriji Maharaj’s darshan. Yogi Maharaj recited some Swamini Vato, delivered a brief spiritual discourse, and pleased the assembled dignitaries.