

Chapter 14

Disregarding His Body in His Regard for Devotees

After spending several days in Atladara, Yogi Maharaj came to Ahmedabad on 13 August 1948 for a *parayan*. Then, Yogi Maharaj traveled to Rajkot for a special memorial assembly on Krishnaji Ada's anniversary. Thereafter, he went to Gondal.

Lalitbhai Pujara of Rajkot had a brother, Indubhai, who was in Africa. Since Indubhai had only secured a temporary visa to Africa, according to immigration law, he could not settle there permanently. So, Lalitbhai had come to Gondal seeking Yogi Maharaj's blessings for his brother.

However, when Lalitbhai went for Yogi Maharaj's darshan, he found Yogi Maharaj in bed, suffering from a high fever. Yet, while reclined in bed, Yogi Maharaj listened to Lalitbhai explain his brother's problem. Then,

Yogi Maharaj sat up and said, “Go and bring me some sanctified flowers from Akshar Deri. I will write a letter of blessings, and your brother will get permission to settle in Africa permanently.”

Despite his high fever, Yogi Maharaj took a pen and paper and wrote out a letter of blessings. Then, he mailed the letter and flowers to Indubhai in Africa. By Yogi Maharaj’s divine inspiration, the immigration authorities in Africa soon gave Indubhai permission for permanent residency!

Disregarding his bodily needs, Yogi Maharaj remained ever concerned for the welfare of the devotees.

Yogi Maharaj stayed in Gondal for a week until his health improved. Then he traveled to Radhu and arrived with Shastriji Maharaj in Atladara for the Janmashtami festival. He delighted the devotees in Atladara with his discourses and kirtans. Then, after celebrating Ganesh Chaturthi in Ahmedabad, Shastriji

Maharaj and Yogi Maharaj traveled to Sarangpur for the Jal-Jhilani festival.