

DIWALI MELA HICKSVILLE, NEW YORK (October 9th, 2022)

With the divine grace of Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj, NY-CT Branch was blessed with yet another opportunity to help spread the message of the Mission. This time around, it was the Diwali Mela festival 2022, organized by the Asamai Hindu Temple Association. The event was held on Sunday, October 9th, 2022 in the Hicksville region of Long Island within a close proximity of the NY-CT Center for Oneness.



Under the leadership and guidance of NY-CT Chapter head, reverend Paul Chellani Ji, fellow devotees of all age groups came forward with unparalleled zeal to make the event a great success. SNM NY-CT Branch was allocated two booths at the event. Draped in soft serene white with a hue of blue banners, the booths had calm and welcoming ambience. Mission's literature in various languages dominated one of the booths whereas registration for the upcoming Blood Drive was held at the adjacent booth. Holding plaques and banners voicing the sentiments of higher human values, youth of the Mission accompanied by rest of the members of the NY-CT, rallied the venue at

fixed intervals. Another group of volunteers, circulated the entire periphery of the venue distributing the flyers pertaining to the immediate upcoming events at the local branch. Keeping the cultural aspect in mind, attractions as henna tattoo and face painting were organized as well. Such key aspects present a great opportunity to strike up a conversation with the locals.



In addition, NY-CT youth presented a musical echoing the teachings and philosophy of the Mission and indeed left the audience swaying to the melodious rhythm.

The event was attended by some key distinguished guests such as the honorable **New York Senator Mr. Kevin Thomas accompanied by his staff**. Reverend Arun Ahluwalia Ji (General Secretary Sant Nirankari Mission, USA) along with Praveen Ahluwalia ji attended the event and encouraged the fellow devotees. Occasions as Diwali Mela, present a valuable platform to help share and facilitate the message of the SNM and bring about the much needed awareness amongst the local community. Fellow devotees of the NY-CT Branch humbly express immense gratitude towards Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj for presenting such opportunity and further pray that may we continue such legacy and help become the instrument in the fulfillment of the divine will.