

Sathya Sai International Organization Japan (SSIOJ)

Human Values Education – Parenting Seminar in Kobe - Science of Learning and Behavior -

Om Sri Sai Ram,

We are happy to inform you that the first session of "Human Values Education – Parenting Seminar" by Dr. Lakshmi Seetha Ram and Dr. KE Seetha Ram will be held in Kobe on March 24, 2018. Their Parenting Workshop conducted during the SSIOJ All Japan Sadhana camp in Sai no Sato in 2017 was well-received by its participants. Schedule of the following sessions will be announced as soon as fixed.

Challenges exist in every human being's life. When faced with challenges we don't always know how to handle them. With every challenge encountered, our gathered experiences enrich us for newer challenges. As an adult as we learn, there lies a greater responsibility to share. In this seminar, we learn how we can improve ourselves so that we are equipped to handle various challenges and become a better human being for a better world. We will broadly learn about:

- Understanding how habits are formed;
- How our learning takes place
- How conflicts come even when we appear to do the right things
- Why conflicts occur and how we can equip ourselves to handle them

This seminar is conducted in English and interpreted into Japanese. Participants are requested to bring their own writing utensils.

Parenting Seminar in Kobe – Session 1

Date: Saturday, March 24, 2018 Time: PM1:00-PM5:00 Venue: Kobe ISS Hall

Those who are interested in this seminar are requested to resister: https://goo.gl/forms/Eq9w1lNWUGil6HUs1 by Saturday, March 17, 2018.

We invite everyone, both SSIOJ members and non-members, parents and non-parents to participate in this seminar.

Profile of Dr Lakshmi Seetha Ram and Dr. KE Seetha Ram

Dr. Lakshmi (Lata) Seetha Ram is a researcher and educator, with an international experience spanning 20 years. She is an Alumnus of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning. She received her Doctorate in Medicine (Ph.D.) (Mombusho Scholar) from the Graduate School of Medicine, Department of Cancer Biology, Division of Genetics, Institute of Medical Sciences, University of Tokyo, Japan in 1993.

Prof KE Seetha Ram is currently a visiting Professor at the University of Tokyo and Special Advisor to JR East from June 2017. He is a Fellow of the faculty of engineering, University of Tokyo. He received his Doctorate in Engineering (Dr. Eng.) in Regional Planning and Transportation, (Mombusho Scholar) University of Tokyo in 1990. He is globally recognized expert in water, sanitation, education, health, urban, and regional planning with over 25 years of experience.

Between 1997 and 2016, while living in the Philippines, they pioneered the application of Human Values based approaches in water management, education, business, human development, and social empowerment. They also hosted regular education in human values classes for children and interactive learning session for parents. Furthermore, they organized medical camps and disaster relief activities serving a total 10,000 children and adults. In 1999, they established Sathya Sai School Pililla. Lakshmi is a board director of the school, that currently has 130 children in the kindergarten and primary I to VI. The school showcases innovative approaches in education for character development in children and is applauded as a model school by the local government. In 2000, they founded and directed the Institute of Sathya Sai Education San Pedro and have so far conducted training and diploma level programs on Education in Human Values to over 10,000 teachers from public and private schools in the Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan, Indonesia, Japan, Nepal, Bangladesh, and India.

Their son and daughter are graduates of the Sri Sathya Sai Higher Secondary School, Puttaparthi.