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**NEW ZEALAND
 INDIAN CENTRAL ASSOCIATION (Inc)**

GENERAL

The Annual Conference of the New Zealand Indian Central Association was held at Christchurch on the 12th and 13th April, 1952.

Excellent accommodation and meals were provided by the Christchurch Indian Association. As this Association has so few in members the hospitality given to the delegates was a credit to the community.

Delegates from all branches were present including a representative from the Waikato branch, after an absence of two years.

The Conference was opened at 10 a.m. on the 12th April with a Welcome speech by the Swaget resident, Mr. Jaga Gopal.

Copies of the General Secretary’s Annual Report were distributed to all Delegates for perusal and study.

In the absence of the President, Mr. Inder Singh Radhawa¹, the Vice-President, Mr. Unka K. Dhamji, presided and two minute silence was observed in respect to all deceased members of the Commonwealth.

DELEGATES PRESENT

The following Delegates were in attendance together with a number of the local Indian community.

AUCKLAND

Mr. Devji Patel
 Mr. Morar Soma
 Mr. Magan Bhikha
 Mr. Lallu Nathu

CHRISTCHURCH

Mr. Daji Manga
 Mr. Ismail M. Kara

PUKEKOHE

Mr. U. Chhiba
 Mr. M. Master

WELLINGTON

Mr. J. G. Nager
 Mr. Dullabh Madhav
 Mr. Ravji Hira
 Mr. Dahya Parag
 Mr. Lala Bava
 Mr. Lakhu VasANJI
 Mr. B. S. Jhooty
 Mr. Hari Dahya

COUNTRY SECTION

Mr. Piara Singh
 Mr. H. S. Radhawai
 Mr. G. S. Belling
 Mr. Phuman Singh

MANAWATU

Mr. H. Naran
 Mr. G. Jhala

WAIKATO

Mr. Chhima Vallabh

ROTORUA

Mr. Unka Kanji
 Mr. Chhima Dubha
 Mr. Vallabh Bhana

The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting also the correspondence which was handled during the year. The financial report of the secretary-treasurer, audited by Mr. Ravji Hira was approved.

The report of the activities achieved during the year are as follows:-

Annual Report (1951-52) of the New Zealand Indian Central Association

Presented by the Secretary Mr. J. G. Nagar

A great many advents have taken place since we last met at the Annual Conference in Wellington last year. There has been sorrows and rejoicings.

Early in the year we had the honour of entertaining the Captain, Officers and men of the "Rajput"—first warship of the Indian Navy to visit New Zealand since India obtained its freedom—and many other visitors from India have been met and entertained during the year.

Then we had our sorrows: one came as a shock to all Indians throughout New Zealand of Mrs. Sanyal our Trade Commissioner's wife, loved by all, as she endeared herself to all members of the Indian community and was one of India's greatest workers, in as much to right wrong views peoples of other lands have held of India, our Mother country, we indeed owe a lot to this woman, who devoted her life's work to make better understanding between India and the many countries of the world. A wreath in the shape of India and made with the colours of the Indian Flag was sent by the Central Association.

Again we had sad news of our King's (George VI) death, it shook the Nation and the whole Commonwealth of Nations was plunged into deep sorrow. A message of sympathy was cabled to the

Queen by the Central Association.

A cable was sent from this Association to Mr. Manilal Gandhi on 4th April, 1952, of good wishes, in his effort to fight Racial Discrimination in South Africa.

A great disaster struck Fiji early this year, making many people homeless and bringing on a shortage of food.

India's people who are entitled to vote made another stepping stone in the history of India this year, by returning to power the Congress Party with large majority. A cable of congratulations was sent from Central Association.

An executive meeting was held on 21st October, 1951, at Taumarunui, to discuss the following items:— Eighteen months' permits, N.Z. born child, results of the resolutions past in last Conference (up to October), and secretary's resignation.

A further meeting was held at my residence, 100 Freyberg Street, Lyall Bay, in the presence of Mr. Ravji Hira, Mr. L. N. Patel (Advisor), Mr. B. Singh, Mr. Laxmipathy and Mr. J. G. Nager (first week in January).

On February 17, 1952, a letter of resignation was received from the President, Mr. Inder Singh Radhawaⁱⁱⁱ, on account of his leaving New Zealand for India.

There has been appointed High Commissioner of India to New Zealand His Excellency K. S. Duleep Sinhji, and it is understood that His Excellency will be accompanied by Kaorani Duleep Sinhji, will be at Christchurch during the Easter holidays. An invitation to attend the Conference was air-mailed to Australia, and through unavoidable circumstances was declined by His Excellency, also an invitation to attend was sent to the Trade Commissioner, Mr. Sanyal and was accepted.

LAST YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

1. Race Discrimination, South Africa.—A letter of sympathy was sent to the Secretary of the South African Indian Congress Party regarding unjust racial discrimination policy by the South African Government.

2. Late Mr. Sardar Vallabh Patel.—The memory of the late Sardar Vallabh Patel has been recorded in the minute book of the New Zealand Indian Central Association.

3. Mr. Harman Singh, Cream Test.—Satisfactory arrangements have been made with the dairy factory.

4. Remittance, Wife and Family.—Successful arrangements have been made with the Reserve Bank £55/0/0 per quarter for wife, and £5/0/0 per quarter for each child up to four children to be remitted to India.

5. N.Z.I.C.A. Post Box.—We have obtained a Post Box at General Post Office, Wellington (1941), all correspondence should be addressed to G.P.O. Box 1941.

6. Savings Bank Account.—Central Association has opened a Savings Bank account at Kilbirnie Post Office, Wellington.

7. Accommodation in Sydney.—The Trade Commissioner, Mr. Sanyal, has advised that intending travellers to India who need accommodation in Sydney can write to his office, five weeks before departure from New Zealand.

8. Registration, N.Z.I.C.A.—A renewal of registration has been made for N.Z.I.C.A. and has been accepted by the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.

9. Yearly List and Annual Report.—The secretary has requested all branches to send a yearly list of members and Annual Report This has been neglected by some branches, we desire you to rectify this in the near future.

10. A decision was made to abolish October 2nd as a holiday.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1952**THE NEW ZEALAND INDIAN CENTRAL ASSOCIATION (Inc.)
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS</u>	£	s.	d.	<u>Date</u>	<u>STATEMENT OF DEBIT</u>	£	s.	d.
3/2/51	Balance in Bank of New Zealand	338	8	2	14/2/51	Expenses for "Rajput Reception	14	3	11
20/3/51	Country section memb. fee 50-51	9	0	0	7/3/51	Bank Fee		5	0
3/5/51	Christchurch members' fee 50	12	0	0	20/3/51	Exchange Country Cheque			6
27/8/51	Wellington members' fee 50-51	38	0	0	20/3/51	1½d. Stamps		8	0
28/1/52	Manawatu members' fee 50	3	5	6	20/3/51	2d. Stamps		8	0
31/3/52	Waikato members's fee 50-51	10	0	0	20/3/51	Four N.Z.I.C. Association Pads	3	5	0
27/8/51	Christchurch Bihar Fund	12	0	0	20/3/51	200 Envelopes N.Z.I.C.A.	1	7	6
7/12/51	Country Section Corso Fund	5	0	6	6/4/51	Cable Manilal Gandhi	1	0	6
7/12/51	Rotorua Corso Fund	5	0	6	7/4/51	Post. Annual Reports to Branches		5	6
7/12/51	Wellington Corso Fund	15	0	0	17/4/51	12 Books of Rules N.Z.I.C.A	7	10	0
28/1/52	Auckland Corso Fund	15	0	6	3/5/51	Postages Rules to all Branches		2	3
28/1/52	Christchurch Corso Fund	2	10	6	14/5/51	300 Annual Reports (Printing)	12	0	0
28/1/52	Manawatu Corso Fund	2	10	0	5/6/51	Exchange Christchurch Cheque			6
30/1/52	Pukekohe Corso Fund	5	0	0	10/6/51	Pukekohe Wedding Congratula tion telegram		2	8
1/4/52	P.O. Savings Bank A/c. Interest	6	3	7	1/8/51	Stamps		5	0
					27/8/51	Toll President (18-mths. Permit)		19	6
					28/8/51	Exchange Christchurch Cheque			6
					28/8/51	Airmail Letter to Indian Govt.		1	0
					28/8/51	Six Months P.O. Box Rental	1	7	1
					20/9/51	Bank Fee		5	0
					1/10/51	Wreath (late Mrs. Sanyal)	8	8	0
					1/10/51	Sympathy Telegram (Mrs. Sanyal)		6	0
					1/10/51	Toll to Pres. (Mrs. Sanyal, deaths	1	0	0
					1/10/51	Bereavement telegrams, branches	1	2	7
					8/10/51	Telegram Pres., Comte. Meeting		4	6
					28/1/52	Exchange on Auckland, Manawatu Christchurch cheques		1	6
					26/1/52	Congrat. Cable India's Republic Day	1	6	0
					4/2/52	Mr. Sanyal's Corso Appeal (sent to Corso)	50	0	0
					7 2/32	Bereavement Cable to Queen Elizabeth King's death	2	17	0
					22/2/52	Trophy Cup Presentation Fiji Athletic Club	9	5	6
					26/2/52	Congrat. Cable Mr. Nehru Re- taining Power	2	3	0
					3/3/52	Bank Fee		5	0
					17/3/52	Ptg. 200 N.Z.I.C.A. Envelopes	1	15	0
					23/3/52	G.P.O. Box Rental 12 months (31/3/53)	2	10	0
					28/3/52	20 Immigration Regulation and Amendments Books	1	8	5
					1/4/52	Lawyers Fee for Registration As sociation Incorporated	4	3	6
					2/4/52	Ptg. Secreary's Annual Report	1	15	6
							132	8	11
						Balance in P.O.S.B	290	9	1

	478	19	3	Balance in Bank of N.Z.	80	11	9
Owing General Secretary	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>		<u>£503</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
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