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Invitation to Sangam Day 2025

Dear Sangam Community Members, Leaders, and Friends.

Namaskaram and warm greetings to all,

It is with profound pride and heartfelt gratitude that I reach out to you today. As we stand upon the foundation laid by our visionary forefathers who built Sangam on the enduring principles of unity, service, and cultural preservation, we now carry that light forward with renewed purpose. Together, we are not just planning another event; we are shaping a movement that will inspire future generations.

With pride and gratitude, I invite you to Sangam Day 2025.

More than a century ago, **Sevaka Ratnam Sadhu Kuppaswamy** founded Fiji TISI Sangam with a vision rooted in unity, education, service, and the empowerment of all people. His mission was never to divide or exclude, but to bring communities together under a shared identity: *One Sangam. One Family. One Purpose.*

At **Sangam of USA**, we are honored to carry forward this noble legacy.

- **Our Vision** is to build bridges between culture, compassion, and community service.
- **Our Mission** is to preserve and promote our cultural heritage while addressing the pressing challenges confronting families today.

It is important to emphasize that everything we do is a **volunteer effort**. None of us is compensated for our time or service; we do this out of love for our community and faith in our future. For this reason, let us rise above distractions and division. Instead, let us choose collaboration over conflict and remain focused on what truly matters: **empowering our people**.

*We wish to state unequivocally that **we are not in competition with USA Sangam or any other Sangam organization in America**. Their work makes a meaningful contribution to our shared cultural mission. The path we have chosen, though distinct, is equally important. All efforts enrich and strengthen the enduring spirit of Sangam in the United States.*

We will never ask anyone to take sides. Instead, we embrace the **true spirit of Sangam, one rooted in service, inclusivity, and compassion**. Sangam of USA will always remain a place of belonging for all, where everyone is welcomed, respected, and valued.

Today, with clarity of vision and unity of purpose, we have reignited that spark. Sangam of USA, in partnership with Sangam of East Bay, proudly announces the return of this spirit through the hosting of **Sangam Day 2025**, stronger, more inclusive, and more determined than ever before.

While we offer a variety of sports and vibrant cultural programs, it is important to note that our core focus remains centered on human well-being. Together, we must confront the challenges many of our families face, including mental health struggles, substance abuse, domestic violence, and the heartbreaking loss of loved ones through suicide.

Many of you will remember the milestones of the **2014 Sangam Convention in Hayward, California**, where, as founders of Sangam of East Bay, we introduced a new platform for women and children, ensuring their voices and talents were celebrated, and established the Overall Winner Trophy to recognize excellence across culture, sports, and community engagement, not just soccer. These turning points showed us what Sangam in America could become.

Sangam Day will be a full-day celebration of sports, culture, unity, and community service, a true reflection of the Sangam spirit. See below for details:

Sangam Day 2025 – Sacramento, California

Ganesh Pooja

Friday, September 12th, 2025 – 5:30 PM

Laxmi Narayan Mandir Temple, 7495 Elder Creek Rd, Sacramento, CA 95824

Opening Ceremony & Community Day (Sports + Outreach)

Saturday, September 13th, 2025 – 9:00 AM

Don and Brenda Nottoli Community Park, 9485 Hanfield Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829

Free Lunch

Evening Dinner & Dance Fundraiser

Saturday, September 13th, 2025 – 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Pat O'Brien Community Center, 8025 Waterman Road, Sacramento, CA 95829

Tickets: \$30.00 (presold)

For full details, please see the attached flyer or visit: www.sangamofusa.org

Together, let us reaffirm the values that have always defined Sangam unity, service, and cultural pride. As a community, we move forward not in division, but in shared purpose: **empowering, celebrating, and building a future where no one is left behind.** We invite you to walk with us on this journey, to uplift every voice, honor our heritage, and shape a future where all feels seen, valued, and empowered. May Sangam continue to shine as a home of belonging and a beacon of light for generations to come

Sincerely,

Arvin Reddy



President, Sangam of USA and Sangam of East Bay

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Members of Sangam of USA & Sangam of East Bay