### 9. Sankirtana

#### Purpose

The purpose of this document is to give the detailed process to carryout the *sankirtana* movement, congregational chanting of the holy name of God, as revealed in the teachings of Lord Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu among the mass people.

|     | ACTIVITY GROUP               |       | ACTIVITY             |
|-----|------------------------------|-------|----------------------|
| 9.1 | Preparation for Sankirtan    |       |                      |
|     |                              | 9.1.1 | Legal permissions    |
|     |                              | 9.1.2 | Resource preparation |
| 9.2 | Harinam Sankirtan procession |       |                      |
|     |                              | 9.2.1 | Harinam Sankirtan    |
|     |                              |       |                      |
|     |                              |       |                      |

#### Process KPIs

|   | Key Performance Indicator                   | Measure | Permissible Value |
|---|---|---------|-------------------|
| 1 | To increase the people attending Sankirtana | %       | 10%               |

### RASCI Matrix at Activity Group Level

| Ī |     | Activity                     | Responsible | Accountable | Sponsor | Consult   | Inform    |
|---|-----|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| ľ | 9.1 |                              | Assigned    | Assigned    |         | Temple    | Temple    |
|   |     | Preparation for Sankirtan    | devotee     | devotee     |         | president | president |
| ľ | 9.2 |                              | Assigned    | Assigned    |         | Temple    | Temple    |
|   |     | Harinam Sankirtan procession | devotee     | devotee     |         | president | president |

#### **Escalation Matrix**

|                 | Level 1 | Level 2 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Role            | OvM     | MD      |
| Resolution Time | 1 Day   | 1Day    |

### **Activity Group**

### 9.1 Preparation for Sankirtan

### Sr. No Activity Owner

### 9.1.1 Legal permissions

Assigned devotee(AD)

Before going on Harinam procession on streets it is very important to get the clearance certificate from Police department and also from RTO in case of large scale procession (devotees more than 150 numbers)

### Activity Flow

## (i) Task Information

|         |  | By When                           | By Who |
|---------|--|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 9.1.1.1 | Getting the decision on the date and time of Sankirtan from COM  | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |
| 9.1.1.2 | Deciding the route for procession  | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |
| 9.1.1.3 | Finding the number of police stations in the route decided   | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |
| 9.1.1.4 | Submitting the request letter to the concerned officer in the required police stations                     | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |
| 9.1.1.5 | Submitting the request letter to the RTO for large processions like world Harinam (devotees more than 150) | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |

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#### Rules

# **✓** Guidelines

- a. Dates should not fall on local agitations or riots
- b. We should not choose heavy traffic times as it create problem with Traffic police

Exceptions – What to do if...



#### Job Aids

| Sr. No | Activity             | Owner            |
|--------|----------------------|------------------|
| 9.1.2  | Resource preparation | Assigned devotee |

To create positive impact on the people through Harinam Sakirtan the sound system, singers, musical instruments and other resources should be properly planned.

## Activity Flow

# Task Information

|         |  | By When                           | By Who |
|---------|--|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 9.1.2.1 | Inform the dates of Harinam Sankirtan to the temple advertising department in case of large procession | Before 2<br>weeks of<br>Sankirtan | AD     |
| 9.1.2.2 | Charge one long ranger speaker as minimum requirement  | Before 1 day of Sankirtan         | AD     |
| 9.1.2.3 | If required charge more long ranger speakers based on one per 300 devotees                             | Before 1 day of Sankirtan         | AD     |
| 9.1.2.4 | Store 4 to 5 numbers of 9V battery for wireless mike   | Before 1 day of Sankirtan         | AD     |
| 9.1.2.5 | Inform Kitchen department the dates for prasadam in case of large procession                           | Before 1<br>week of<br>Sankirtan  | AD     |

# **Activity Group**

# 9.2 Harinam Sakirtan Procession

### Sr. No Activity Owner

#### 9.2.1 Harinam Sankirtan

AD and participant devotees

The Harinam Sankirtan procession is the heart of this process, the do's and don't of this activity is very important to be known by all participants

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### **Activity Flow/Organisational Structure**

## (i) Task Information

|         |  | By When | By Who           |
|---------|--|---------|------------------|
| 9.2.1.1 | After Guru puja devotees have to come down and can circum-ambulate the temple to give time to all devotees to join | 8:15 AM | All participants |
| 9.2.1.2 | Minimum 1 mridanga, if required 2 should be carried  | 8:15 AM | AD               |
| 9.2.1.3 | Minimum one whomper should be carried  | 8:15 AM | AD               |
| 9.2.1.4 | 2 to 3 Kartals should be carried   | 8:15 AM | AD               |
|         |  |         |                  |
| 9.2.1.5 | The number of Ranger speakers as per 4.1.1.2.3 should be carried   | 8:15 AM | AD               |
| 9.2.1.6 | One wireless mike should be carried  | 8:15 AM | AD               |
| 9.2.1.7 | 3 to 4 numbers of 9V batteries should be carried   | 8:15 AM | AD               |
| 9.2.1.8 | Should carry the permission letter from Police and RTO   | 8:15 AM | AD               |

|          |  | <u>By When</u>         | <u>By Who</u>   |
|----------|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| 9.2.1.9  | The lead singer and the devotees playing musical instruments should lead the procession                                      | 8:15 AM                | Singer and team |
| 9.2.1.10 | The person holding the long ranger should walk in middle of the procession   | 8:15 AM                | AD              |
| 9.2.1.11 | The other devotees can follow in 'Q' of 2  | Through out procession | All             |
| 9.2.1.12 | The devotees should dance very gracefully as performed by Lord Caitanya Himself with full of devotion, should inspire public | Through out procession | All             |
| 9.2.1.13 | Follow the Route and time slot earlier decided by the Autority   | Through out procession | All             |

### Rules Guidelines It is recommended that some senior devotees join the procession to inspire and a. create devotional atmosphere in the participants Devotees should well behave during entire procession as it also shows our b. culture and perform the dancing gracefully Not recommended to stay more than 5 minutes in any place c. If more people assemble there can be 2 minutes talk on holy name d. Devotees should not create any obstacle to smooth traffic e. In case of large processions placards can be taken f. If more devotees are participating some can carry Srila Prabhupada books for g. distribution We should not pull anybody into the procession forcefully h. Exceptions - What to do if ... Job Aids