



# NEWS LETTER

*Bringing Fiji Indian  
communities together*

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## **President's Message**

As the Committee approaches the end of its term, I would first and foremost like to thank my Committee Members and our members for their continued support of the Association.

The Association's annual general meeting will be held on Sunday, August 08 and I look forward to your attendance and meaningful contribution.

It is imperative that more of you should play a pivotal role in the affairs of the Association and I really hope some younger people would put their hands up to serve.

I have decided not to seek the Presidency for another term, as I have been involved as Vice-President and President for the last five years. The interests of the Association have been paramount to me and I shall continue to be ardent advocate of the FIA.

It is a matter of extreme satisfaction to me personally that the Fiji Indian Association has remained a secular organisation and that we have not taken on the mantle of any religious group and may it remain this way.

The Association belongs to Fiji Indians and we must continue to play a major advocacy role for members of our community in Wellington, without losing sight of our commitment and loyalty to our adopted home, New Zealand.

We must continue to stress to our young people, particularly, that they should not lose sight of their heritage and the sacrifices made by our Girmitya foreparents and we owe it to their memory to

keep our Fiji Indian legacy, languages and cultures alive.

We must maintain our pride in what is our culture and traditions and keep the Fiji Indian flag alive, wherever we are settled.

The Association has had very powerful support from members and Indian organisations and I thank you all for your support and on an organisational level, I would like to thank the Wellington Sangam for its unstinting and exceptional support for the FIA, right from the Association's inception.

May God Bless you all and I wish the incoming Committee and the Association the best for the future.

With best wishes,  
SALIM ASHWIN SINGH  
PRESIDENT

### **FIJI INDIAN ASSOCIATION**

Notice of

Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2010

Place: FIA Hall, Petone

Time: 2.00 PM

All members are requested to attend.







