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## The Grand Opening (Pratistha Mahotsav) of the Jain Temple - Shree **Munisuvrat Jinalay – by Shree Visa Oshwal Community Nakuru**

The completion of the Jain Temple (Shikharbandh Derasar) in Nakuru has been marked as a milestone in the history of Shree Visa Oshwal Community Nakuru.

The Derasar has been planned, constructed and sculptured in a traditional manner and according to the Jain religion by the contractor from India. Not a single reinforced steel or iron bar was utilized in the construction. The carved stones were prepared in India and were marked, numbered and shipped in containers for the artisans to assemble. The Temple is a picturesque setting of one high Shikhar with 4 domes and took 2 years to complete.



Completion of the Shikharbandh Derasar



H.E. Hon. Kinuthia Mbugua, Nakuru County Governor, visited the newly built Temple

Shree Visa Oshwal Community Nakuru celebrated the grand opening of the Temple from 2nd to 7th February with splendour and pomp.

The Shikharbandh Derasar convenor was Mr. **Amratlal M Shah** who organized the six-day programme under the Shree Visa Oshwal Community Nakuru chairlady-ship of Mrs. Sushi A Shah.

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H.E. Suchitra Durai, the Indian High Commissioner, visited the newly built Temple

The programme started with a very colourful Varghodo in which the vehicles were decorated beautifully and all the devotees walked around town. After the Varghodo, the donor families of the Pratimas (Mulnayak Munisuvrat, Mahavir Swami, Adhinath Bhagwan, Neminath Bhagwan and Parshvanth Bhagwan) and other deities (Gautam Swami, Pundrik Swami, Manibhadra Veer, Nakoda Bhairav Dev, Padmavati Devi and Chakeshwari Devi) did the Prabhu Parvesh.

After this, Shree Akhand Deepak Sthapna, Shree Jawara Ropan, Shree Manek Stambth, Toran Bandhavanu and various Poojans (Panch Kalayanak Poojan, Navgrah Pattla Poojan, Dash Digpal Poojan, Astha Mangal Poojan, Adhar Abhishek Poojan, Sanatra Munisuvrat Poojan, Nakoda Bhairav Dev Poojan, Shanti Sanatra Poojan and Sattar Bhedi Poojan) were conducted by Panditji Narendrabhai, Panditji Jigarbhai, Panditji Puravbhai and Panditji Kanchanbhai. The other highlights were Prabatiya, Kumarpal Arti, Dhaja Ropan, Dhaja Danda and the opening of the doors for the Derasar. On this auspicious occasion, a souvenir and Bhavna Munisuvrat Sangeet Sarita were also launched. In the evenings, melodious Bhavna songs were recited by Ankurbhai and party from India and acts were performed on the life for Munisuvrat Swami by participants. Many guests from all over East Africa, UK, India and USA attended the Pratistha.



Float for Varghodo



Girls enjoying in Varghodo



Beginning of Varghodo