

**RESTORATION  
OF GOVERNMENT GIRLS' SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL, UDAIPUR**

by  
Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation  
The City Palace, Udaipur

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r. 1861 - 1874 A.D.

**PREAMBLE**

Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation (MMCF), The City Palace, Udaipur is a public charitable trust registered under Rajasthan Public Trust Act 1959. It is an initiative of the custodian of the House of Mewar for perpetuation of its core values such as service to society and mankind. It also serves as a ‘temple of inspiration’ for future generations and continues the model of sustainability that is ‘Eternal Mewar’. MMCF is Operational since 1969 with over 300 professionals who are engaged in realizing this vision.

The Foundation’s current outreach is in the field of academics, eco-management, philanthropic works and heritage conservation & promotion, in partnership with several institutions at the state, national and international levels.

MMCF has taken the responsibility of preserving the remarkable tangible and intangible cultural heritage. This enormous responsibility is fulfilled through a comprehensive and informed set of initiatives. These include the maintenance and continued development of the City Palace Museum. The other projects involve preserving local culture through the celebration of festivals in the traditional manner, documenting and researching cultural practices and creating forums for knowledge transfer.

**GOVERNMENT GIRLS’ SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL**

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**WHY RESTORATION THROUGH AND BY MMCF ?**

It is most necessary to clarify as to why MMCF is restoring the Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Udaipur (GGSSS).

The GGSSS School Authorities approached Shriji Arvind Singh Mewar of Udaipur, Chairman and Managing Trustee of MMCF, the 76th Custodian of the House of Mewar, to repair and restore the main building of the school. The matter was considered by the Board of Trustees of MMCF and it was decided to support the request of the school for the following reasons:

FROM THE GGSSS PERSPECTIVE:	FROM MMCF PERSPECTIVE:	FROM THE PRACTICAL PERSPECTIVE:
There has been insufficient investment made towards repairs and maintenance for the school in the past. The GGSSS building is presently in a dilapidated state. The District Education Officer, the authority, responsible for the school has expressed her inability to get any funds released from the Government for the school.	The historic relationship between the GGSSS School and the House of Mewar. The vast experience of MMCF to undertake restoration projects in such buildings. The in-house availability of numerous consultants. The large pool of master craftsmen and traditional skilled workmen with MMCF. The proximity of the school as it is close to the main entrance of the MMCF premises.	i. The GGSSS has no experience in undertaking any such restoration project. ii. The GGSSS has no resource to undertake this project. iii. The school has no mechanism to receive specific donation and apply it to the project.



## THEREFORE MMCF:

MMCF is fully committed toward completing this project.

MMCF is therefore the Nodal Organisation / NGO to complete this restoration for GGSSS.

MMCF is not charging any fee for any work undertaken for this project.

MMCF expects an acknowledgment for its contribution in arranging and executing this project to be placed on record and also displayed on the premises. The work is to be taken up in two phases:

- Outer façade and two classrooms
- Other classrooms and hall

COMMENCEMENT OF THE PROJECT 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2014



MS. NIVRITTI KUMARI MEWAR OF UDAIPUR IS SEEN STARTING THE RESTORATION WORK OF SCHOOL BUILDING BY PUTTING LIME ON THE WALL ON 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2014 AS PER THE MAHURAT AT 11.30 AM



MS. NIVRITTI KUMARI MEWAR OF UDAIPUR ALONG WITH SCHOOL TEACHERS

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## पुत्रियों को पुत्र के समान दर्जा दें: निवृत्ति मेवाड़



उदयपुर में शंभु रत्न पाठशाला की दीवार पर निवृत्ति कुमारी मेवाड़ ने शिला पूजन किया।

उदयपुर, 17 जुलाई (का.सं.)। मैं किया गया था। वर्तमान में राजकीय अपने माता-पिता की इकलौती पुत्री हूँ।

जगदीश चौक बासिका विद्यालय का जीर्णोद्धार शुरू

और आज इस मुकाम पर हूँ जो उनकी की देन है। मैं चाहती हूँ कि हर अभिभावक अपनी पुत्रियों को एक पुत्र के समान दर्जा दें। हर कोशिश को आगे बढ़ा दें। यह बात महाराणा मेवाड़ चैरिटबल फाउंडेशन, उदयपुर की ओर से लक्ष्मण सिंह मेवाड़ की पत्नी निवृत्ति कुमारी मेवाड़ ने गुरुवार को यहां बगदीश चौक स्थित 150 वर्ष पुराने निवृत्ति कुमारी मेवाड़ बासिका उच्च माध्यमिक विद्यालय के जीर्णोद्धार समारोह में कही।

महाराणा मेवाड़ चैरिटबल फाउंडेशन, उदयपुर के मुख्य प्रशासनिक अधिकारी सुप्रेम सिंह अग्रवाल ने बताया कि 150 वर्ष पुराने स्थापित मेवाड़ विद्यालय के पूर्व मुख्यालय शंभु सिंह जी के नाम पर स्थापित इस शंभु रत्न पाठशाला को मेवाड़ अथवा उदयपुर की पहली बासिका पाठशाला के रूप में स्थापित कार्य शुरू करवाया।



## For the cause of education

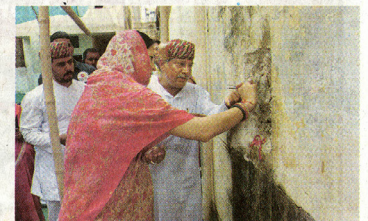
ARVIND SINGH MEWAR OF UDAIPUR HAS DECIDED TO TAKE ON THE RESTORATION OF THE GOVERNMENT GIRLS' SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL, UDAIPUR



Nivritti Kumari Mewar of Udaipur along with school teachers and students

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Nivritti Kumari Mewar of Udaipur is seen starting the restoration work of the school building

## Envisioned restoration

The salient features of the restoration of the school to be carried out include the use of experienced conservation professionals, well qualified and experienced site supervisors, traditional master craftsmen, skilled workers with proper plans.



Work started at the outer façade of the school building.

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BEFORE (WESTERN FACADE)



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BEFORE (EASTERN FACADE)



AFTER (EASTERN FACADE)



BEFORE (MAIN ENTRANCE)



AFTER (MAIN ENTRANCE)

*Restoration in guidance of:*



**SHRIJI ARVIND SINGH MEWAR OF UDAIPUR**

**श्रीजी अरविन्द सिंह मेवाड़**

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RESTORATION AT A GLANCE

**MMCF RESTORED THE EASTERN AND WESTERN FAÇADE OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING.  
THE COST OF THE PROJECT WAS RS. 32 LAKHS FOR PHASE I.**



CELEBRATION OF 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHOOL ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015.



**MS. NIVRITTI KUMARI MEWAR OF UDAIPUR ALONG WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICIALS IN FRONT OF INAUGURATION PLAQUE**



**MS. NIVRITTI KUMARI MEWAR OF UDAIPUR PRESENTING THE EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATE TO TEACHERS**



**MS. NIVRITTI KUMARI MEWAR OF UDAIPUR RELEASING HAQIQAT BAHIDA OF MAHARANA SHAMBHU SINGH**

#### **LAUNCH OF THE BOOK 'HAQIQAT BAHIDA OF MAHARANA SHAMBHU SINGH'**

The Volume 1 – 561 pages and Volume 2 – 746 pages are written in Hindi, English and local dialect of Mewar. The book incorporates a number of beautiful black and white as well as coloured photographs, paintings of Maharana Shambhu Singh. It has been published by Maharana Mewar Historical Publications Trust, Udaipur researched by Maharana Mewar Research Institute under the aegis of Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation, Udaipur.

The biography is written by Mr. Narayan Lal Sharma, Udaipur. In the preface, Haqiqat Bahida shows the golden era of his regime over 14 years, from 17 November 1861 to 7 October 1874. This collection will be very illuminating for historians and scholars. The book can be purchased from Udaya Museum Book Shop, The City Palace, Udaipur, Rajasthan.

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