



Lands for Auroville Unified

Auroville Centre for Urban Research, Administrative Area,
Auroville – 605 101, Tamil Nadu, India

ACRES FOR AUROVILLE – 24 April 2016

The Mother first met Sri Aurobindo in Pondicherry on March 29, 1914. Her diary entry for that week noted “but now all is changed; a new stage has begun.” Circumstances intervened, leading her back to France and then to Japan. At last, the Mother was able to return to India definitively on 24th April 1920. This was the start of their collaboration, the bedrock of their evolutionary work and vision and the foundation for the Auroville to come. On this occasion of 24 April, we are pleased to share this extract from the Mother’s talks with Satprem on the subject of her return (Agenda Vol.2, 20/12/1961):

“Suddenly everything in me became immobile; the whole outer being got immobilized completely, I had a vision of the Supreme... more beautiful than the one in the Gita. A vision of the Supreme. And then this vision literally took me in its arms, it turned towards the West, that is, towards India, and it presented me, and I saw that at the other end there was Sri Aurobindo. It was... I felt it physically. I saw, saw – my eyes were closed but I saw... indescribable. It was as if this Immensity had reduced itself to a Being slightly gigantic; he lifted me like a feather and presented me. Not a word, nothing else, nothing more than that. The very next day, the preparations began to go back to India.”

Then, when the ship was nearing Pondicherry on 24th April, she had another great experience: *“I felt the atmosphere of Sri Aurobindo (felt materially) ten miles away from the coast: ten nautical miles, not kilometers! It was suddenly, very concretely, a pure atmosphere, of lightness, lightness, which was uplifting you.”*

The Auroville project is a direct outgrowth of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother’s 30 years of collaboration for a new consciousness and spiritualized humanity. As the Mother described, one characteristic of the new consciousness is this “..pure atmosphere, of lightness, lightness, which was uplifting you”. This is the basis for Auroville – a state of consciousness. It follows that when we try to secure the unified physical base of Auroville, we try to secure a material ground for the new consciousness to work in matter and to reveal itself in its own time and way. What is Auroville after all? A place to embody the consciousness of the next future.

Aryadeep

Mandakini

Please specify “ACRES FOR AUROVILLE” (City Area) or GreenAcres (Greenbelt) for all donations via Auroville Unity Fund (checks or bank transfers), Auroville Donation Gateway (credit or debit cards) www.auroville.com/donations/, Auroville International www.auroville-international.org. See COLAAP for tax deductibility: www.colaap.org