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## Lohana Community of United Kingdom

As we come together to celebrate the remarkable milestone of 45 years of LCUK, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the foundation we have built and the shared future we continue to shape.

At the heart of our longevity has been a series of dedicated and visionary leaders—our past presidents—whose tireless efforts have helped steer this community through its many stages of growth and transformation. They led with commitment and a deep sense of responsibility to our collective well-being. Their wisdom and perseverance created the strong foundation upon which we now stand.

To our past presidents, we extend our heartfelt gratitude. Your leadership has been the cornerstone of our achievements. Whether navigating challenges or seizing new opportunities, you have guided us with foresight and integrity.

While we reflect on our past with pride, it is equally important to look toward the future with optimism. As we move forward, we must continue to build on the legacy of those who came before us, but also embrace new ideas and perspectives that will carry our community into the next 45 years and beyond. The world around us is changing, and with it, our community must evolve.

The first generation of Lohanas who came here from East Africa, held the bond together in the same manner as they did in East Africa. The second and now the third generation, born in the UK, did not face the same difficulties and have grown up not having the same community bond. We as a community need to cater for these generations and evolve in a way that is attractive to them. The two ideas that come up are sports and business/professional networking, I am sure there are others and we need to plan for these.

In this anniversary year, let us celebrate all that we have achieved, honor the leaders who have brought us here, and embrace the exciting possibilities that lie ahead. Here's to the next 45 years of shared success, growth, and a bright future for all.

Jai Shree Krishna

Bharat A Sodha  
President,  
Lohana Community United Kingdom



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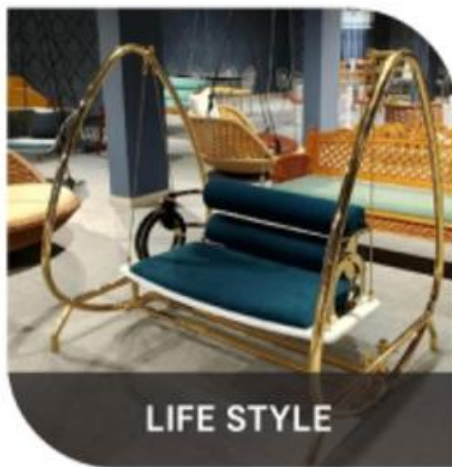




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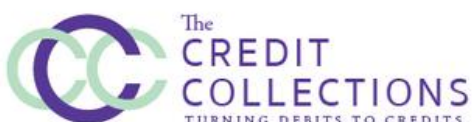
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## **BHARAT A SODHA** **2021 - CURRENT**

Bharat joined LCUK in 2017 as Secretary General when LCUK needed more activities after a relatively quiet period. Organised and hosted a number of events, including the 40th anniversary celebration with a three day Jalaram Katha at the Dhamecha Lohana Centre in South Harrow. Attended the LMP adhivasion in Dubai representing LCUK. During COVID lockdown we entertained through Zoom with yoga classes, entertainment from India etc.

In 2021 Bharat stood for president and was duly elected unopposed. He restarted the LCUK sports festival on a smaller scale with this year 2024, sports being held at Hertfordshire Sports Village in Hatfield. Bharat has attended Lohana Mahaparishad meetings in India and hosted the LMP Satishbhai Vitlani in London. Visited various UK mahajans with Satishbhai to bring LMP awareness in the UK. In December 2022 represented LCUK in Raipur at LMP Karobari meet followed by trip to Nairobi, representing LCUK at the East Africa Lohana Sports & Cultural festival.

Late Amratlalbhai Sodha (Bharat's father) was the LCNL President and LCUK Vice President in 2005 at the time of his passing. With this family background it became natural to join and serve the community. At the time of joining LCUK Bharat was also a trustee treasurer at Raghuvanshi Charitable Trust, subsequently becoming the Chairman of board of trustees. Previous to RCT Bharat had been with LCNL, initially as committee member and later as secretary. Bharat is fully supported by his wife Archana and son Ankush & daughter Ankita.



**(LATE) MANSUKHBHAI P RADIA**  
**(BALUBHAI)**  
**FIRST LCUK PRESIDENT**  
**1978-1980**



**(LATE) RATILALBHAI GANATRA**  
**1980-1982, 1984-1986 &**  
**1988-1990**



**(LATE) BHASKERBHAI RAJA**  
**1982-1983 & 1990-1992**





## **(LATE) RATILALBHAI JOBANPUTRA 1983-1984 & 1986-1988**

Ratilalbhai was born in Mombasa, after his father's demise, Ratilalbhai moved to Uganda and established a successful business and took on extended family responsibilities. Additionally Ratibhai continued to follow his dharma of Sewa and became a member of Lohana Executive Committee and was involved in the Mahaparishad held in Kampala.

He was Chairperson and Governor on Boards of several schools eg V.H. Lohana Vidyarthi Bhavan. He was also a Founder Member and Director of Rotary International. In UK he was Chair of Uganda Evacuees Association and helped substantial number of Ugandan refugees to settle in UK. As Chairperson of India-British Cultural Exchange Association in 1981 he organised a Royal Charity premier in presence of H.R.H the then Prince of Wales. As Founder and Executive Chairperson of the Mahatma Gandhi Foundation UK, Trustee of National Congress of Gujarati Association he promoted Hindu culture.

In pursuit of his love of music, and as President of Lohana Community Greater London, LCUK and Vice President of LCNL he played prominent role in organising numerous dances - ballet, cultural, garba and musical programmes to encourage younger members of our community. As Trustee of Raghuvanshi Charitable Trust, Trustee of Leicester Lohana Mahajan and Executive Vice Chairperson of Shree Vallabh Nidhi UK he managed to raise substantial funds. His strong religious beliefs enabled him to organise religious discourses e.g. Saptah which were attended by thousands people daily. He always appreciated the strong support from his wife, Nirmalaben.



## **CHANDUBHAI RUGHANI 1992-1993**

Chandubhai was born in Mawanza, Tanzania and now settled in the United Kingdom (UK). An enthusiastic and confident retired FCCA, he contributes his time and skills across many aspects of charity and community organisations. He has international experience both professionally and personally having travelled across three continents before setting in the UK.

Chandubhai is an accountant (FCCA) and has a B.Com (Hon) degree. Chandubhai has given voluntary service to many community and religious organisations, eg Sai Service Centres, Lions Club, Lohana organisations and many others. Currently he is the Chairman of Lohana Senior Centre (Senior Men) which has over 80 members who attend the centre activities three time a week. Chandubhai is also a Chairman for Ageing Population Steering Committee which was formed under the wing of Lohana Community North London

Chandubhai was also a President of Lohana Community North London and Lohana Community United Kingdom. Chandubhai Rughani was awarded the Best Raghuvanshi Senior Citizen Award by the Shree Lohana Mahaparishad and has recently been awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM).



**JAMNADASBHAJ RAITHATHA**  
**1993-1994**

Jamnadasbhai was born and brought up in Mbale, Uganda. He was married to Latr Manjulaben and has two children. He came to the UK in 1972 when Ugandan Asains were expelled. After he arrived in the UK he started his own business. He owned a Sub post office and Drug store. From there he expended his business to properties and care homes.

Being a well-wisher of the community, he got involved with Lohana Community North London (LCNL) where he became a President in early nineties. During his term he supported the Mahilas to form LCNL Manilal Mandal. He also represented LCNL to the Lohana Community of United Kingdom (LCUK) where he was a President and a Trustee.

He played a major role in raising funds for Gujrati relief. The funds were raised to build schools in India. During his term as a President, he was appointed as a Vice President to Shree Lohana Mahaparishad and was instrumental in the drawing up the global constitution and involved Canada, East Africa and Europe to be part if it.

His support and contributions and guidance to community members is of great value to everyone.



**(LATE) PRABHUDASBHAJ KOTECBA**  
**1994-1996**



**MUKESHBHAJ VASANT**  
**2000-2001**





## **PRAFULBHAI NATHWANI**

### **1996-1998**

Prafulbhai Nathwani was Born and brought up in Masaka, Uganda. He started his journey to serve the Lohana Community in Masaka where is was a Secretary of Lohana Community. He arrived in the UK in October 1972 and settled in Birmingham. He started a wholesale sports business there distributing sports goods and trophies.

His interest in serving the community has always remained and was one of the founder member of Shree Lohana Association Birmingham. He served as a President there and currently as Bereavement Advisor. He has served the LCUK since it's formation as an Assistant Secretary, Vice President, Public Relations Officer, a President, and Chairman of the Trustee.

There after his community service extended to many other organisations i.e. he is a founder member of the Ex-Boarder Charitable Trust, Hindu Council of Birmingham and Hindu Forum Walsall.

Prafulbhai has always given selfless service to the community.



## **NARENDRABHAI CHOTAI**

### **1998-2000**



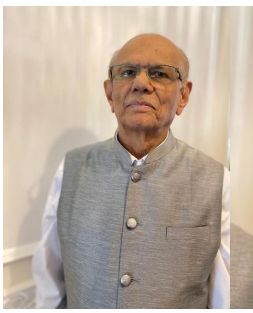
I served LCUK as Secretary General, Vice President, and it was my privilege to serve LCUK as President for two terms from 1998 to 2000. I was fortunate to have a team full of dedicated, committed and enthusiastic fellow officers and Central Council members. This was, arguably, the most productive time in the history of LCUK with many major achievements. I have listed some of them below.

Launched Millenium LCUK Directory, Millenium Bond project to raise funds for worthwhile causes, Saurashtra Relief fund and coordinated collection of relief fund from all Mahajans and built two schools in conjunction with NGO- Lions International.

Organised Easter Sports festivals, Annual Variety Shows, largest ever Lohana Gathering at Alexandra Palace to celebrate 200th anniversary of Sant Shree Jalaram Bapa. This event was attended by a full capacity crowd of over 8000 community members from all over the UK and attended by Lohana dignitaries from all over the world including Shree Narendra Modi.

Raised the profile of LCUK all over the world and appointed LCUK Ambassadors to USA & Canada, Africa and India. Shree Mathuradasbhai Majithia, President of Lohana Mahaparishad and Shree Aroonbhai Samani, President of Nairobi Lohana Mahajan attended the Central Council meetings. I also attended Lohana Mahajan Nairobi and East Africa Central Secretrait meeting in Nairobi in 1999.

Made arrangement with Lohana Mahaparishad whereby the serving President of LCUK would be appointed as one of the Vice President of LMP. I had the privilege to be the first VP of Lohana Mahaparishad under this arrangement.



## **SHANTIBHAIKOTECHA 2001-2003**

During the period after 1982 I was inspired by my wife Malti who was active committee member of Shree Lohana Association of Birmingham to join the committee and I served as the President of SLAB for two years.

Then I was persuaded by my very good friend Late Nitin Kanani to join L C U K and became Trustee and had great opportunity to work with Late Shree Prabhudasbhai Kotecha, Shree Jamnadasbhai Raithatha, Shree Narendrabhai Chotai, Shree Prafulbhai Nathwani, Late Shree Ashokbhai's Kotecha and many other known members of our community.

In the New Millennium I was privileged to be elected the President of L C U K and served our community during 2001 to 2003.

I was honoured to be part of the project to raise the funds to build Two schools in Gujarat after the Gujarat earthquake in 2001 in partnership with Lions Club of Gujarat

And had great opportunity to be part of the opening of one of these schools.

At present I am honoured to be the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of L C U K.

My heartiest Congratulations to Bharatbhai Sodha, the President of LCUK and the executive committee for organising wonderful events.



## **ASHOK RACH 2003-2005**

Ashok Rach is a founding member of the Lohana Community East London, following that he joined the main committee and worked his way up from committee member to Social Secretary to President. From 1999 to 2001, Ashok held the role as Secretary General, followed by Vice President from 2001 to 2003 and then President from 2003 to 2005.

He was Secretary General and part of when LCUK held Lohana's largest gathering outside India at Alexander Palace. He then became Vice President. During this time, he raised funds for the earthquake in India in 2001 and managed to build three primary schools in Gujarat.

Moving forward, when Ashok was President, he instigated a Bhajans & Prathna book, which was then distributed across the UK. Ashok's latest achievement was to be a convenor of the LCUK directory. He also marked a moment in history for LCEL by organising the largest Katha and raising funds in excess of £50K. Aside from the Lohana Community roles, Ashok has taken active roles in other organisations. Additionally, he took an active part in dance drama with Valab Nithi to raise funds for Wembley Mandir. Once again they raised over £2mn with all the dance dramas across the country and abroad. He also played a very active part in the success of purchasing VHP temple in Ilford.

By profession, he is the owner and managing director of a business called Pema Rules Ltd.





## **KIRITBHAI KARIA 2005-2008**

Kiritbhai was born and raised in Kenya. He then came to the UK where he started his own business in retailing and properties.

A very social and altruistic person he organised social events and gathering for the Asain community. Seeing the success of the events he was approached by a Lohana leader asking him to join Lohana Community North London (LCNL). He join in 1993 as a Social Secretary, then taking on positions as Assistant Secretary, Vice President, the President and arepresenting LCNL as a trustee to RCT.

Kiritbhai joined LCUK as a trustee, thereafter, became President for three years. During his term various projects were introduced e.g. LCUK electronic news letter, launch of matrimonial site and many others.He was also the Convenor of Jalam Khatha in 2019.

His contribution to the community is of great value.



## **PANNABEN RAJA 2008-2011**



Panna Raja's journey in community work started in 1999 with her local mahajan (LCNL) where she held various posts and organised different events. She served as a Secretary of LCNL and represented Lohana Community at various organisations.

She joined the parent body, Lohana Community United Kingdom (LCUK) as Chairperson of Mahila Mandal, and to help in organising the sports festival. She then served as a Secretary General of LCUK, and thereafter, was elected as the First Lady President of the (LCUK). During her term the 5th Lohana Members Directory for UK which consisted of nearly 6,500 members was published. In January 2011 she attended the LMP Karobari meeting in Nagpur, India to further LCUK relations with LMP.

Currently she is serving as a Trustee of LCUK, Chairperson of LCUK Mahila Mandal, Mahila representative to Shree Lohana Mahaparishad and Deputy Chairperson of International Awards Committee representing LCUK at the Global level. In January 2024 She attended the LMP international awards nite in Gandhinagar where she was acknowledged as part of the international awards committee.

Panna has always been supported by her husband Dipak and her daughter Shrina in her endeavors



## **HEMRAJBHAI (HEMUBHAI) CHANDARANA 2011-2017**

Hemubhai was born, brought up in Uganda. He came to the UK leaving his business in Petrol stations when Ugandan Asians were expelled in 1972. In 1996 he setup a watch and belt industry in Bangalore which he sold in 1999 and returned to the UK.

Hemubhai has since given selfless seva to Sanatan Mandir as a trustee and chairman of trustees. In 1998 he became a President of Lohana Mahajan and Ram Mandir in Leicester. During his term, with the support of his wife Manjuben and other member i.e. Narendasbhai Adatai, Late Induben Adatia and Muktaben Mashru he introduced Jalaram prasadi at the Mandir. He also introduced Gujrati classes for the younger generations.

Hemubhai and Himatbhai Ghelani worked diligently to raise funds to complete the refurbishment of the Ram Mandir in Leicester. He served as a Vice President of Lohana Community United Kingdom (LCUK), then became President of LCUK for five years. Under his leadership the LCUK hosted a Global Lohahna Convention in 2015 in the UK. It was the first time in history that a LMP Global convention was held outside India. He is involved with other organisations i.e. Faith and other Hindu temples. He was awarded with The Best Raguvanshi Senior Citizen Award by the Shree Lohana Mahaparishad in 2022 and in 2024 he was awarded as a valuable member by Shree Sanatan Mandir, Leicester for his longstanding service provided by him. Hemubhai has now retired and is enjoying his retirement with his family.



## **SUNILBHAI MAJITHIA 2017-2021**

By profession I am a Credit Manager for a company who are leaders in flour milling with annual turnover of 130 million pounds.

I have been the president of Northamptonshire Lohana Mahajan for the past six years until recent elections and have held post of secretary of Northamptonshire Lohana Mahajan for 3 years.

I have served as assistant secretary general of LCUK for 3 years and SECRETARY GENERAL of LCUK for 6 years under two different Presidents.





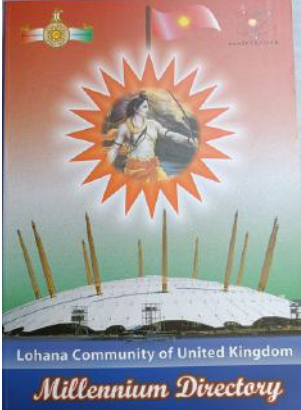
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# Lohana Community United Kingdom Directory projects

## Millenium directory



Number of households resident in region	Lohana Community of United Kingdom	Estimated Registered Disabled	Estimated -Population of under 18s in region	Estimated population of adults in the region	Estimated total population in the region
<b>Census Report</b>					
338	Ashton, Bolton and Manchester	42	286	992	1,278
198	Birmingham	20	170	533	703
178	Coventry	36	174	520	694
132	Derby and Nottingham, Northampton, Peterborough	15	136	404	539
463	East London	77	428	1,386	1,814
1,261	Leicester	277	1,010	3,977	4,987
39	Loughborough	1	24	124	148
91	Luton	9	77	292	369
50	Milton Keynes	2	67	140	207
1,620	North London	231	1,178	4,981	6,160
65	Southend on Sea	4	62	183	244
96	Southampton	22	77	273	350
475	South London	32	398	1,335	1,733
100	South West & Wales	8	68	315	383
443	West London	64	390	1,354	1,743
<b>5,549</b>		<b>841</b>	<b>4,546</b>	<b>16,807</b>	<b>21,354</b>



Some useful Census data that was collected at the turn of the Millenium

Directory Sub Committee

## 2008 Directory update



Number of households resident in region	Regions	Percentage of returned forms	Estimated Population	Based on the number of forms received, percentage who are classified as:				
				Business	Employed	Professional	Retired	Unemployed
271	Ashton, Bolton, Manchester	70%	1,084	15%	3%	30%	7%	45%
199	Birmingham	64%	796	14%	6%	10%	9%	61%
50	Cambridge, Peterborough	68%	200	2%	0%	7%	4%	87%
187	Coventry	65%	748	12%	7%	6%	14%	61%
270	Derby & Nottingham, Northampton	72%	1,080	21%	14%	30%	5%	30%
453	East London	72%	1,812	8%	4%	8%	10%	70%
1,525	Leicester, Loughborough	71%	6,100	4%	10%	6%	7%	72%
103	Luton	67%	412	10%	4%	12%	12%	62%
50	Milton Keynes	62%	200	13%	13%	19%	6%	48%
1,742	North London	51%	6,968	24%	8%	21%	24%	23%
50	South-end-Sea	76%	200	5%	0%	11%	13%	71%
87	Southampton	82%	348	11%	3%	4%	14%	68%
489	South London	63%	1,956	12%	10%	12%	13%	54%
75	South West & Wales	73%	300	0%	5%	5%	9%	80%
629	West London	77%	2,516	7%	5%	6%	9%	73%
<b>6,180</b>			<b>24,720</b>					



Census data of 2010

Standing from Left to Right :  
Hitesh Thakker, Bharat Sodha, Narendra Popat & Amratlal (Anil) Rach.  
Sitting from Left to Right :  
Kiritbhai Karia, Ashok Rach (Convenor), Panna Raja (President) & Kantibhai Savjani  
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Central Council meeting in Birmingham 2018



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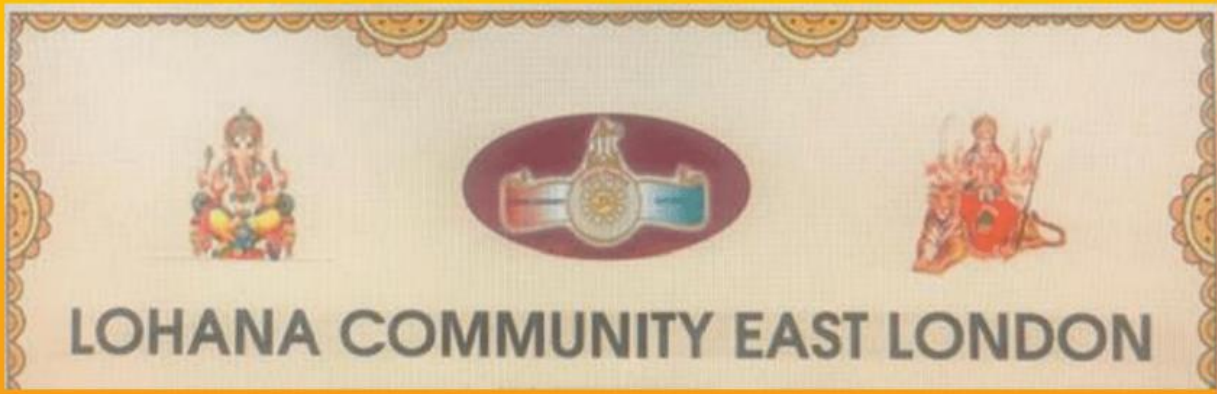


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**Meena Jasani**

LCNL President 2023-2025

&

Executive Committee 2023-2025



## History of Lohana Community of United Kingdom

The formal set up of the Lohana Community of United Kingdom on the 27th of August 1978 {as a parent body of all Lohana organisations in the United Kingdom} was a culmination of the preceding ten years at local levels in all parts of the United Kingdom.

In 1968 Lohana Association was set up in Leicester. This was then followed by the formation of the Lohana Union London in 1970. Thereafter, during 1972 there was a massive migration of Lohanas from East Africa following their expulsion {with the entire Asian community of each country} by the respective governments. This then prompted the formation of Mahajans in Ashton-Under-Lyne, Birmingham, Coventry, London {East, West, North, South}, Manchester, Peterborough, Southampton and Wellingborough.

A firm foundation was laid at local Mahajan levels and the formation of an all UK organisation was the next logical step. The formation of a federal body for the greater London area with four regional bodies united the London Lohanas. This was to be known as Lohana Union Greater London.

Lohana union Greater London Organised the first Raas Garba competition at Alexandra Palace, London on 14th August 1977. Seven teams participated in this competition - Birmingham, Leicester, East, West, North & South London, YLA North London. The Competition offered an opportunity for coalition work to set up the UK – Wide Lohana Organisation.

On 4th December 1977 a meeting was called jointly by Lohana Mahajan Leicester and Lohana Union Greater London. An adhoc committee consisting of two nominees each from eight Mahajans was formed. On the 27th August 1978 an Inaugural Conference was held at Kingshead Hotel, Harrow –on – the Hill and a draft constitution was presented for review.

The conference was opened with prayers by Shree Kantilal Tanna, Shree Tribhovandas Ruparelia, the president of the host organisation, Lohana Union Greater London, welcomed the delegates. Mr Harshadbhai Mody and Chandubhai Sodha were appointed as chairman and Secretary respectively. Three

guests Shree Gordhandas Anandji Thakkar, Shree Vrajlalbhai Raja, and Shree Jamnadas Tanna from Mahaparishad, India attended the conference. This organisation was to be known as LOHANA COMMUNITY OF UNITED KINGDOM{LCUK}. Many good wishes were received by letters telegrams and telephone calls, amongst them was one from Shree Hansrajbhai Mirani, the President of Mahaparishad India.

# LCUK ACHIEVEMENTS

26th August 1979	First Delegates Conference
1978/79	First Central Council took place
16th April 1979	First Sports Competition held in Coventry
29th July 1979	First Rass Garba competition held in De Montfort Hall Leicester
16th March 1980	First ladies Forum held at Bharitiya Vidya Bhavan
1983	First Members Directory published
1984	Second Members Directory published
25th January 1987	First Cultural Festival held at Watford Town Hall
22nd March 1987	First Saraswati Sanman in Leicester
24th January 1988	Saurashtra Relief Fund Project Cultural Festival held at Watford Town Hall
15th MAY 1988	Satyanvan – Savitri Project held at Wembley Conference Centre
1990	Third Members Directory Published
January 1992	The first issue of LCUK News Bulletin was published.
Easter 1991	The Lohana Sports Association (LSA) Easter Sports Competition event was held in Norwich, then in Welwyn Garden City and recently in Milton Keynes.
29TH JUNE 1998	SAURASTRA/KUTCH cyclone funds were raised and one man was delegated to personally visit India to distribute the funds to the needy. Low cost houses were built in Porbander and Dwark. A Gausala was rebuilt in Vadinar.
31st October 1999	A Millenium gathering was hosted at Alexandra Palace, Wood Green in North London. Some 8200 people attended from all over UK and EUROPE. This event celebrated LCUK'S 21ST anniversary and the 200th birthday of Shree Jalarambapa. The event was deemed to be the largest gathering of Lohanas outside of India and was the biggest celebration of Shree Jalarambapa's 200th birthday in UK and EUROPE.
2000	Fourth (Millennium) Members Directory was published.
February 2000	Kutch and Gujarat Earthquake disaster funds were raised. A school near Rajkot was rebuilt and other funds were distributed to the needy.
March 2001	The LCUK website was launched – <a href="http://www.LCUK.ORG.uk">www.LCUK.ORG.uk</a> – This was the first International Lohana website to be launched and then it was redesigned In 2003 for the LCUK silver anniversary.
2003-2006	Due to constitutional changes Kiritbhai Karia was the first president allowed to serve a three year term.
January 2006	The LCUK eNewsletter was launched.
2006	Bhajan and Prathana books were printed and distributed to all UK mahajans.
Sept 2007	LCUK launched their first ever online matrimonial service via a dedicated Website – <a href="http://www.LohanaMatchmaker.com">www.LohanaMatchmaker.com</a> .
May 2008	The LCUK Professional Network (LPN) was initiated – <a href="http://www.LohanaProfessionals.org.uk">www.LohanaProfessionals.org.uk</a> and currently has over 500 members in the UK and now a full presence on Facebook and LinkedIn.
June 2008	First Lady President of LCUK Pannaben Raja was appointed.
2010	The fifth edition of the members directory was being published to mark the 32nd Anniversary of LCUK with the largest quantity of email addresses and mobile numbers.



- 2ND October 2010 An event was held at the Langley Banqueting Suite in Slough to launch the 5th edition of the members directory attended by some 400 people including distinguished guest.
- January 2011 Pannaben Raja visited India to represent LCUK and to further relations between LCUK and Shree Lohana Mahaparishad at a meeting held in Nagpur, India where she was appointed as a Vice President for the UK and Europe Zone.
- 23rd October 2011 The 33RD LCUK Delegates Conference was held in Leicester. Shree Sureshbhai Modi the longest serving AUDITOR/ELECTION to the LCUK was appointed again, Sunilbhai Majithia was re-elected as Secretary being the longest serving Secretary and Subhashbhai Rajani being the longest serving treasurer was also re-elected at the Delegates Conference.
- 25th Nov. 2012 An event was held to celebrate Diwali and Jalaram Jayanti at the Newland Manor Rickmansworth. The event was huge success under the convenorship of Pannaben Raja, attended by over 800 people.
- 16th June 2013. A gathering was held in Leicester in honour of the President of Shree Lohana Mahaparishad Shree YOGESHBHAI LAKHANI. The event was attended by over 200 people including distinguished guests and past LCUK presidents.
- April 2015 The first LOHANA GLOBAL CONVENTION was held in Leicester (outside India) Under the leadership of Shree Hemubhai Chandarana.
- February 2018 Organised the LCUK Variety show at Greenford town hall with Lord Dolar Popat as chief guest.
- April 2019 A gathering was organised at the Holiday Inn in Leicester to recognise the bereavement committees from each Mahajan for the wonderful work they do.
- June 2019 Celebrated 40th anniversary with a three days Jalaram katha at Dhamecha Lohana Centre.
- March 2020 The National COVID lockdown commenced, meaning everyone was grounded at home. This brought in online engagement in activities and entertainment, with Zoom becoming ever so popular. We started LCUK yoga classes every morning on Facebook, by Dr Lalit Sodha. Musical evenings, antakshri competitions.  
At this stage the following on Facebook increased from 500 to over 5,000 reflecting online engagement with community members
- October 2021 Bhajans held in Leicester in memory of members who passed away during COVID.
- June 2022 Hosted a dinner in honour of LMP President Satishbhai Vitlani
- August 2022 Return of sports festival, held at RCT after lockdown
- December 2022 LCUK was awarded the best International Zone by LMP in Raipur, India
- September 2023 LCUK jointly with LCNL hosted dinner for LMP President Satishbhai Vitlani where LMP awards were presented to UK Lohana members.



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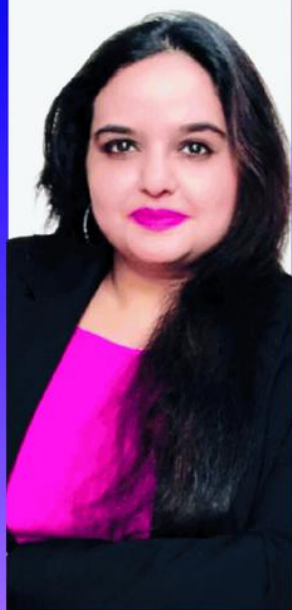


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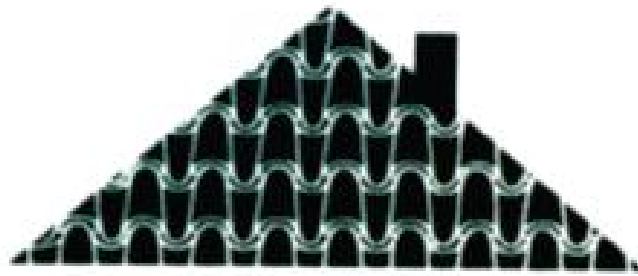
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