

# New Radhadesh Goshala

*Fundraising Campaign*



## Finally a home for our cows!

After a fire destroyed our old Goshala, a few years ago, we finally got permission from the local authorities to build a new one at a very good location. The Goshala will be easily accessible by car and will provide ample storage for hay in the winter. In the new Goshala is also a section to care for the sick cows and isolate the pregnant cows for delivery.

## Why Cow protection?

Imagine the pleasure Lord Krishna will experience seeing you support the protection of His most beloved cows. Radhadesh Cow-protection program is for the purpose to please the Lord. We strive to become an example community where humans live in harmony with Nature and Cows are not exploited for their milk and meat, but nicely taken care of as she is our own Mother.

The cow protection program is a tool to make humans understand compassion (daya), non-violence (ahimsa) and devotion (bhakti). Especially in this time of wars, crimes against humanity and confusion, these traits (daya, ahimsa and bhakti) give peace to many.



*The Lord teaches us that care for Cows will bring us closer together.*

*In the Vishnu dharmottara-Purana part 3, Ch. 291:  
..The cow is fit to be worshipped, glorified and offered obeisances. A human being should serve the cow and feed her. By doing so, the humans become purified and free from distress and lamentation.*

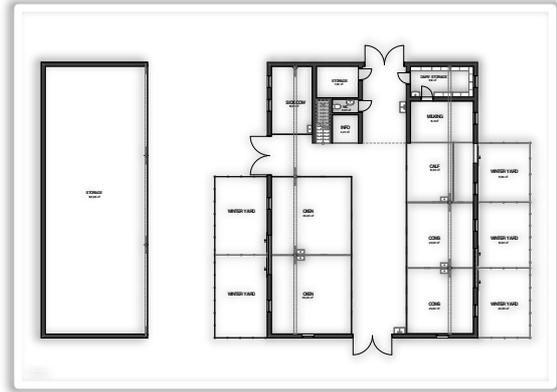
## The new situation

The new Goshala will host up to 12 cows/bulls. It will have a special section for the medical care of the cows. Another section is for storage of the hay in the winter.

Since the old goshala is not anymore available, the cows are staying in the winter in improper facilities. Your gift will help us to build this Goshala as a decent place for the cows, a mother worthy.

- cow stable building 332 m2
- hay storage 168 m2
- concrete slap 806 m2

Estimated budget of the construction is 275.000 €



This is the floorplan of the goshala

## Go-Seva options

A copper plaque indicating your name and the seva category will be placed on the wall of the Goshala. In this way your seva to go-mata will be eternalized.

Options for one-time donation:

- Go-raksha sevaka: 5.001 euro
- Dharma sevaka: 3.001 euro
- Govinda sevaka: 2.001 euro

Nitya seva (recurrent plans)

- 108 euro/month: Surabhi seva
- 208 euro/month: Kama dhenu seva
- 308 euro/month: Nandi seva
- 408 euro/month: Go-mata seva

All recurrent donors will receive a card which entitles them to 10% discount in the Guesthouse, purchases in our Boutique, Restaurant and Bakery. They will also receive the monthly Back-to-Godhead magazine of ISKCON for free and a card for free meals upon visiting Radhadesh and the cows.

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The future goshala

*Mahabharata, Bhishma to King Yudhisthira: O king, the cow, the land and knowledge are important objects. These should be given in charity and thus fulfill all desires...one should show respect to Mother Cow and worship her.*

*In this world, the cow is equal to Agni for her effulgence. She is the giver of happiness and fearlessness. She possesses divine nectar which she releases through her milk. Please worship and protect her.*

## INTRODUCING TO YOU.....



### Jamba

Jamba is born on 6 June 2011. We bought Jamba together with Dharma. He is incredibly sweet and gentle. His service at this moment is pulling carts and working on the land. He loves to be pampered. He looks forward for your cuddles.

### Dharma

Dharma is born on 7 July 2011. We bought him together with Jamba. He is a naughty one, quite energetic and loves to fight with wheelbarrows. We love him very much. Come and enjoy his pastimes.



### Bhumi

Bhumi is born on 9 June 2010. She is an amazing cow. Even before she was pregnant she provided us daily with her milk. Despite having her calf 3 years ago, she continues to give milk and the pujaris in Radhadesh use it to make amazing sweets like rasagulla and rasamalai to offer to Sri Sri Radha Gopinatha on the altar. She is the mother of Gaura

## Gaura

Gaura is born on 1 April 2013. His father is Jamba and his mother is Bhumi. Gaura is very sweet and likes to hang out with his uncle Dharma.



## Ganga

Ganga, born on 3 March 2008, leader of the other cows and the herd overall. She is the mother of Bhumi and Grandmother to Gaura. So well behaved she never needs tying up and is happy to be milked, in fact she's still giving milk despite it being more than 5 years since she had her calf. Super easy to get along with but constantly hungry and so a little overweight. She has become very gentle to feed by hand and attempts to pick our back pockets for carrots whilst we're preparing the food.

“Serving the cow fulfils even the most difficult wishes. The cow grants all of one’s wishes if one were to look after it properly without anger or cruelty. One would be blessed if one worshiped the cow daily with a calm mind, keeping one’s senses under control” is how the Mahabharata (Anusasana parva21/33-35) puts it. The service to the cow and the rearing of the cow by sage Vasishtha are well known. He may be said to be the first to know the nature of the cow. With him there was a cow called Sabala. Sanskrit literature has many references to Nandini, her progeny. In the Mahabharata, Vasishtha tells about the greatness of the service to a cow to king Saudasa, “*gavah pratishtha bhutanam gavah swastyayanam mahat, gavo bhutam ca bhavyam ca gavah pustah sanatani*” (Mahabharata, Anusasana parva-78/5-6)-“O king, the cow is the refuge of all the people and the living creation. The wellbeing of the cow is the source of all good things, wealth and prosperity”.