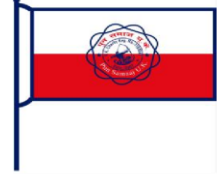




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## OUR INTRODUCTION

Nepal is a country of diverse cultures, religions, and languages. Among the various castes in Nepal, we Puns are also a Pun caste with a distinct identity. Puns have their own unique traditions, languages, costumes, and cultures that are different from other ethnic groups. Historians have confirmed that Puns have inhabited the 4,000-plus mountain regions of Myagdi, Parbat, Baglung, Rukum, and Rolpa in Nepal since ancient times.

Our ancestors were nature worshippers. Karpake Baba, known as Ishtadev, and his eldest son Ramchan and younger son Kulchan are our ancestral gods. The main place of worship of Karpake Baba is at Kafaldanda in Annapurna Rural Municipality, Ward No. 8, Myagdi District. There is also a national-level museum of our caste there. In which various weapons and daily use items used by our ancestors are kept for display. There is also a nine-cornered stone near the place where our Pun castes worship. According to our Jhankris, this place has special glory because this is the place where the golden vulture rescued Karpake Baba from the Mahabhir and landed for the first time. In addition, it is also understood that Karpake Baba had 9 sons. When our Pun castes worship, we always offer red and white dhaja.

During the Malla period of the western feudal kingdom of Nepal, the community lost the use of our language due to language restrictions imposed on us. However, the language of our tribe is still found in our villages where some remnants remain.

Like other castes, our caste is also a unique caste rich in its own original language and culture. The Pun community has its own customs and culture; therefore, we all feel the responsibility to preserve our identity. We have been working to preserve and support our own traditions like the ancient ancestral dance, Sorathi, Sirphulai, Jhyaure Yanimaya, Hai Halne, Kul Puja, Bhume Puja, Bhara Puja etc.

In 2004, the British government granted permanent residence to Gurkha veterans and their immediate dependents. This paved the way for members of the British Gurkha Army and their families to come and settle in the UK. As a result, our Pun castes also started coming and settling in the UK. Along with that, there are also some of our ethnic groups who have come and settled with their own rights. So, although it is not possible to say for sure, it is estimated that there are about 9-10 thousand of our Pun castes living in the UK. This number is increasing day by day.

We believe that it is our duty to preserve the unique identity of our people and pass it on to future generations. Therefore, Pun Samaj UK was established in 2007 with the aim of uniting our community and providing all possible assistance to those in need and in need. This organization was registered with the UK Charity Organization in 2015 and received Charity Number 1160842. Thank you.

Jaya Karpake Baba! Jaya Pun Samaj UK!!