



MANAKAK'S FAMILY



PRANNATH'S FAMILY 1992



DINANATH JALALI
(Papajee) 1979



JAWAHAR LAL JALALI
& DURGA (1989)



JALALI'S (2002)



PARMIOOS (1996)



Family Ladies Together



T N KHASHOO & DURGA



DHAR'S & MATOO'S



FAMILIES GETTOGETHER



PRANNATH'S FAMILY 2002



GOPI (USHA) VERMA'S



BRIJLAL'S FAMILY



OLDEST & THE YOUNGEST
TANYA MANAKAK'S GRAND
DAUGHTER & TULSI BHABI
(2001)

"MY ROOTS"



FAMILY HISTORY OF WANCHOO'S

**Malayar (Ganpatyar)
Barbarshah, Srinagar, Kashmir**

Progeny (Sires) of SATRAM WANCHOO

By

PRAN NATH WANCHOO

**Great Great Grandson of
SATRAM WANCHOO**

74, SAMRAT APARTMENT
VASANDARA ENCLAVE
DELHI-110096

12007 LILIUM LANE
GLENNDALÉ (MD)
20769 U.S.A



**SATRAM
(1824-1890)**

**BALAKRAM - DAUGHTER
(1847-1917)**

**SHANKERJOO
(1873-1945)**

1. NANDLAL (1901-1983)
2. DINANATH (1904-1964)
3. MANOHARNATH (1918-

**TARACHAND
(1875-1964)**

1. JIALAL (1898-1978)
2. SHAMBUNATH (1901-1986)
3. DURGA PRASAD (1905-1940)
4. PRETHVI NATH (1914-1992)
5. SOMNATH (1918-1988)

MALAYAR HOUSE



Acknowledgement

I am grateful to all Cousins & Cousin Sisters and others in the families who provided me latest updates for the family history.

Last but not the least, I thankfully acknowledge the efforts of Sh. Rajeev Kapur of Devart, Panchkula in transforming my handwritten script into a very good type script with layout of colour pictures.

72, Kendriya Vihar
Sector-14, Panchkula,
Haryana - 134109.

(P. N. WANCHOO)

Dated 18th December 2004



FAMILIES TOGETHER 1974



**BATANI, SANPKUJ & TULSI
(1950)**



**BOITOTH & AMI
(1950)**



**DINANATH, NANDLAL &
MANOHARNATH (1950)**



**BAIGASH & BENJIGIRI
(1974)**



**BULAKAK & BHABI
(1986)**



**NANDLAL & GREAT
GRAND DAUGHTER SHAMU(1976)**



NANDLAL



MANAKAK & BHABJI (2002)



P N WANCHOO & DURGA

CONTENTS

MY ROOTS (HERITAGE)

Acknowledgement	Page 1
Contents	Page 3
Dedication	Page 5
Introduction	Page 7
About Myself	Page 9
The Heritage	Page 13
The Chronology from Satram to date	Page 32
The Houses, Lands and other properties	Page 34
The first in the Clan	Page 41
The relation's close wide and Vast	Page 43
Family Purohit and friends	Page 50
Properties acquired / owned	Page 51
Sarparasti Balak Ram	Page 52

DEDICATION

This booklet '**Heritage' MY ROOTS** is dedicated to the memory of :

1. My Parents – Ami (Batani Jalali Wanchoo) my Mother and Baetoth (Nandlal Wanchoo) my Father.
2. My Wife Durga (Prana).
3. My Uncles and Aunts (Balakram Wanchoo's grandsons and daughter's in laws).
4. Baesaeb (Shankerjoo Wanchoo) Lalesaeb (Tarachand Wanchoo) my grand father and granduncle respectively and Sanpekuj (Ded) wife of Lalesaeb, the grand lady of the house undivided, who bestowed upon me love, affection limitless as long as they lived.
5. My maternal grandparents, Mama's and Mami's who looked after me until I matriculated, as their first grandchild daughter 's and ward.
6. Although, I have not seen him, my great grandfather Balakram Wanchoo above all deserves better mention and regard because of his Philanthropy, Social uplift and the manner in which he pushed the clan forward.

Peace to them in Heaven and Peace to us on Earth.

12007 Liliun Lane
Glendale (MD) 20769 U.S.A.
August 3rd, 2004

PRAN NATH WANCHOO

INTRODUCTION

The compilation of this manuscript, a family history was taken up by me as a 'Scion', some years back. The updating and gathering information about 'Sires', offspring's (Progenies of the clan) who are spread all over India and abroad took me time. Since after exodus from the valley, I have been spending a lot of time abroad.

This should have been published in year 2002, but for sudden indisposition of my wife Durga in August 2002 while on a short visit to Jammu and her demise on 7th April 2003 at Delhi, that put me out of gear.

The manuscript provides for the history of our clan (families) since about two centuries past to date. In the compilation of the manuscript, I have made use of information passed on to me by my grandfather (Baesaeb), grand uncle (Lalesaeb), uncles Baelal, Baegash, my father Baetoth, aunts & mother besides family 'Purohit' Pitamber Zadoo and my personal knowledge as a Scion of the clan and several other family members and relatives.

It is never too late to realize that a tree that grows has its limbs & leaves always looking down upon its roots. Dispossessed, as we are, from the Vale, we look for our roots, which are there deep down in the homeland 'MAEJ KASHEER' made with the sweat of the brow of our ancestors. A historic creation and a collective enterprise of the people, the fruits of its labour bodily, spiritual and moral over a span of several thousand years. Czech writer - *Milan Kundera* said "A name means continuity with the past and people without a past are people without a name."

We have been born in one garden 'Kashmir' and belong to one branch.

The intention of this script is for togetherness to create a sense of belonging to a great heritage and to draw each one of the clan close to each other, so widely dispersed otherwise by sharing common knowledge and the relationship.

I beg to be excused for any omissions or inadequacies, which may have missed my attention, or been out of reach.

1st, October 2004
U.S.A.

(P. N. WANCHOO)



ABOUT MYSELF

I was born on Baisakh Krishna Pakhe Saptami (18th April, 1923) to my parents Nandlal Wanchoo (Baetoth) and Ami (Batani Jalali) elder son and daughter in law of Shankerjoo Wanchoo(Baesab) as their first child and coincidentally the first great grand child of Balakram Wanchoo (Bab / Kak) and the first grand child between two brothers Baesab (Shankerjoo) and Lalesab (Tarachand). Both the brothers had retired from government services in my infancy as such was fondled by them more than anybody else, apart from uncles and aunts. This was the era when a child was not to be handled by his father / mother in presence of their elders. The family was joint; growing and affluent. Before schooling I was for quite sometime taken care of by Baelal (Jialal Wanchoo) and Kakni (Gowri) his wife at Ganderbal while Baelal was posted as Naib Tehsildar, Ganderbal Nyabat after his transfer from Astore.

I received my early education at CMS School, Rainawari under the care of my maternal grandparents particularly grand mother (Kakni / Ded) and others in the Jalali family. Here again being the first grandchild from their first daughter / sister (Batani). I was treated specially with affection and love. During most part of my schooling at Rainawari, I had Babujee as senior Mohanlal, Samvit Prakash, Chunilal as companions. During my stay / schooling at almost every weekend and other occasions I was escorted back to the family house / home at Malayar by Denbaiji (Dinanath Wanchoo) uncle, to be with all other family members headed by Baesab & Lalesab. It was often Papajee (Dinanath Jalali) who would pick me on Sunday evenings for return to Rainawari, on his way back from Maharajas Palaces in his Baby Austin. At my family home, I would be taken care of by Benjigri (Devki) wife of Baegash (Shambo Nath Wanchoo) more than her own children. Dwarikanath (Mangloo), Pushkarnath (Pola), Pitcha (Indra Mehta) and Late Junior (Nana), Raja (Rajender) & Nika (Vijay). I still cherish the love, affection and care showered upon me by Benjigri all through. This was so as my parents Baetoth & Ami would be on postings out in rural areas as Thanedar (SI police) along with my two sisters & younger brother. This continued to be so until my matriculation preparatory winter vacations. In between was a spell of couple of years 7th & 8th class when I was admitted to SP Middle School, Fatehkadal where Mangloo was already studying and I lived throughout with the joint family at Malayar house under Benjigri care, with Mangloo's, Pola's & Pichas

company. While our hair were combed and groomed by Benjigri each day / time, Pitcha's hair were groomed, combed and woven into a plate – Pitcha would revolt saying that her hair should also be cut and groomed like ours.

Summer & winter vacations I would spend with my parents, wherever they would be in rural towns & areas. Loaded with love & affection from Benjigri, I have always felt her to be my mother. It may have been so because my father Baetoth was first married to Benjigri's sister (Tarwals) who died issueless. Subsequently & simultaneously, Baetoth married my mother (Batani Jalali) and Baegash to Benjigri (Tarwal) (Devki). She must have carried the nostalgia of my being her sister's son. This was all through evident always with Tarewals (Rainas), whenever I would be with them, through their love and affection for me.

While at high school at Rainawari Gwashtoth (Dwarikanath Parmoo / Jalali) was my guide / guardian until I matriculated. After matriculation, I joined SP College and here we had Som Kak (Somnath Wanchoo) already, as guardian as long as I was in the college.

I was married in 1940 when I was in the 2nd year of my college and it was around this time that families of two brothers Baesaeb & Lalesaeb parted to live separately. Process of partition and division was methodically pre-planned with a legal cover in the shape of a document registered in a court of law.

I was married to Durga (Prana) daughter of Amarnath Dulloo Karannagar. I was plus sixteen and Durga was just thirteen. Soon after marriage, I got admitted to Agricultural College Lakhaoti (UP) for a four year B.Sc. Agriculture Sciences course of Agra University. After completion of the course, I joined State Govt. Service and was posted at Kathua. Service period was smooth with appreciation and achievements more than anybody else in the cadre, it was encouraging and absorbing generally except for some fallouts of "Awami Raj" in the shape of supersession and discrimination on communal grounds. My wife accompanied me on postings in Jammu and Kashmir. Durga was a homely, social, God fearing, lady & highly protective of her children.

Retired from State Service and continued working as Project Director / Consultant until we proceeded to U.S.A in 1989.

Our three sons are :

1. Rajajee (Kameshwar Wanchoo) who after doing his M.Sc. joined State Bank of India services (Currently Manager, Jhandewala Branch, New Delhi). He is married to Santosh (Khashu), DAV schoolteacher and a housewife now. They have two children Shamita and Amit. Shamita was brought up by Durga. Durga lived only to see her married to Chetan Sadhu in late November 2002 at Delhi. Shamita is the first girl B.E. (Com. Engg) Pune from the clan and since after marriage is in U.S.A. with her husband Chetan Sadhu.

Amit son has also done B.E. (Comp. Engg.) and is currently studying MS in NC University (USA). Raja jee is settled at Vasundhara Enclave, Delhi.
2. Vijender (Boba) a graduate with couple of diplomas is married to Rajni (Mattoo) schoolteacher. Vijender is working as a Business Executive with Bhushan Industries, Chandigarh. They have a son Sameer (Piyush) studying in 9th class. Piyush seems to be tallest growing boy at his age and may beat Baegash's (Shambo Nath Wanchoo) height in due course of time. Vijender is settled at Panchkula (Haryana).
3. Lalit (Sahabjee) is our youngest son. He did his MS in USA after B.Tech from PAU, Ludhiana. He is working as an Engineer / Scientist with NASA consultancy. He is married to Neena a housewife and have adopted Neena's two nieces Timsy, 9th and Neeti in 6th grade. They live at 12007, Liliun Lane, Glenn Dale (MD) 20769 USA.

Durga my wife passed away at Kailash hospital on 7th April 2003. We had to complete our 63rd wedding anniversary on 16th June 2003. She has been a source of encouragement and information in preparing this manuscript.

I am a wanderer between three homes, relations, & friends since my wife Durga left me.

MY FAMILY RELATIONS

1. **My Maternal** - Jalalis including Parimoos Rainawari now spread over at Jammu, Baroda, Rewa, Bhopal, Jaipur, Delhi, Columbia (MD), North Carolina (USA).
2. **Durga's Maternal** - Kotroo's Safakadal - Jammu, Palampur & Germany.
3. **My In laws** - Dulloo's Karannagar, Jammu, Delhi, Australia.
4. **Wife Sisters** - Thusoo's Magarmalbagh / Jammu / Delhi / Texas USA.
- Ganjoo's Babapora / Pitampura, Delhi.
- Kaul (Gassi's) Barbarshah / Jammu / Delhi / Bangalore.
5. **My Sisters** - Mattoo's Galvanpora / Delhi, Rohini / Raipur.
- Khashoo's Gankhan / Delhi, Mayur Vihar.
6. **My Brothers Family** - Malayar / Janipor Jammu.
7. **Kameshwar in laws** - Khashoo's Maharajganj / Sant Nagar / Noida / Jammu / Delhi / New York / Chandigarh.
8. **Vijender in laws** - Mattoo's Nawakadal / Jammu / Delhi / Pune / Ghazibad.
9. **Lalit's in laws** - Ramanuj Singh Gomtinarag, Lucknow.
10. **Shamita's in laws** - Sadhus Karanagar / Alaknanda Delhi / Faridabad / New York / Florida.

'HERITAGE'

(History of the ancestors and descendents of Satram (Saproot) / Wanchoo)
(Malayar, Srinagar Kashmir)

Collected, recorded and edited

by

Pran Nath Wanchoo – A Sire of the clan

Origin – A clan of Saraswat Brahmins of Kashmir - Gotra Varshe Ganesh - Swamin Atre- Malamassis – Ganesh Bakhts with obeyance for Sharika Bagwati (Hari parvat).

Satram was Narain Wanchoo's sister's son from Saproot's Drabiyar. Narain Wanchoo did not have a male child of his own as such had adopted his sisters son Satram.

Saproot's owe their origin to village Sapre Kulgam (Kashmir). Sapre transformed 'Safer' / Saproot / Sapru.

Ancestors of Sheikh Mohamed Iqbal (Alama Iqbal) the great poet philosopher of the sub-continent also belonged to the same class of Brahmins of Sapre (Kulgam) Kashmir and so must have been other Sapru ancestors too.

Our history is replete with instances when Kashmiri Brahmins / Bhattas / Kashmiri Pandits have moved from ups and downs of the valley / villages to the towns and cities over a period of time when life was getting organised. Basically this shift has been in search of greener pastures or by occurrence of floods and famines in otherwise inaccessible far flung areas or by other compulsions. Also that the Brahmins did not enjoy farming due to natural onslaughts, but were keen and also good at planting fruit trees, timber and shade trees. As a class Kashmiri Brahmins / Pandits have been pursuing reading and writing whether it was Sharda, Sanskrit, Pali, Persian, Urdu, English, etc., some ahead of others always.

Narain Wanchoo owed his ancerterage to Wang-Chuk family. It was in 1965, I was posted to Ladakh, T.S. Musrthy (IFAS) was commissioner Ladakh. Mr Murthy was earlier associated with Historical

Division of the Ministry of External Affairs Govt. of India. He had also been associated with the SINO-Indian Border Commission. He told me that during his visits and studies in and of Tibet / China he had found a township Wangchu / Wanghu associated earlier with Brahmanism. While in Ladakh none of the Ladakhis would call me Wanchoo, they would always call me Wangchuk Sahib. It was in 1998, that a Tibetan sociologist of the Tibetan Foundation, Dehradun (Gyalpo Wangchuk) told me on my first meeting that Wanchoo is a reformation of Wang-Chuk where Wang means Shiva and Chuk means Shakti in Tibetan. These features lead me to infer that some Wanchoo's may have travelled to Tibet and Central Asia (Chinese Turkistan) anywhere upto 12th century, preaching and professing Shaivism (a branch of Kashmiri Brahmanism) and therefore the family name.

Satram's Saproo's ancestors had moved down to Drabiyar Srinagar. Dinanath Saproo a Coparcenary of this family would invariably be visiting our house at Malayar and chat with my grandfather and grand uncle. I was told that he was a relation from Saproo's whose ancestors had expired since. He was a medical assistant having treated me for boils (abscesses) in my younger days that I was prone to then.

Satrams foster father (maternal uncle) Narain Wanchoo owned a large land area (Puran's) on the right bank of Vitasta at Malayar and few shop lines and houses spread from Malayar to approach road to Habbakadal (2nd bridge) on Somyar side. In my childhood days pencils and paper etc would come for me and Mangloo (Dwarkanath) from one of the shops in the Shopline, which was subsequently adjusted against his monthly/yearly rentals.

Coparcenaries of Narain Wanchoo at Malayar were Samsarshad Wanchoo's whose progeny of sons (Descendents) Amarnath, Premnath, Vishnath and Niranjan Nath are settled in Bombay, Delhi and U.S.A.

Satram lived between 1824-1890 AD. He was married to a Ticku lady from across the river. The Tickoo household vanished in his lifetime leaving behind a co-parcenary widow with a daughter and two Sons (Radhamal), who was rehabilitated and taken care of by Balakram son of Satram. (Sarparasti details appear later) Satram had a daughter and a son Balakram. The daughter was married to Bhans (Ladown) who in turn had

two daughters Rofded and Rekhwed and a son Natharam – Rofded was married to Saqis whose descendant was Jagarnath Saqi Radio Kashmir died a bachelor, Rekhwed was married at Aglar and progeny of son Sarwanand's sons and daughters are spread in Jammu etc. Nathram Bhans progeny. Sons Raghunath and Lambodar. -Ragunath's daughter Kamlajee is married to Omkarnath Gurtoo and is settled in Delhi – Lambodars wife Janaki is retired Education officer settled with her daughters Rainas, Kaws and UK.

Satram looked after the properties of his adopted father married his daughter and son Balakram who was given proper education in Sanskrit and Persian etc. Satram is said to have helped physically and financially reestablishment of Ganesh Temple at Ganpatyar in his time. He was a known Ganesh Bhagat. This legacy continued with his descendants. Balakram Wanchoo son of Satram learned languages of the time. He was known as Bab Kak, and was married to Kauls, Babapora. Some coparcenaries of Kauls left Srinagar in 1948 to live on ancestral land in a village in Pulwama Tehsil, otherwise being deprived of by land reforms. The progenies may have got dispersed widely as I could not know of them since after 1953, when on tour of the area I visited them. Balakram lived between 1847–1917.

Balakram Wanchoo had two sons Shankerjoo (Baesaeb) and Tarachand (Lalesaeb). He worked as an educated executive helping illiterate Dogra head of Forest Deptt. Doabgah (Sopore) Kashmir used to be the main riverian mandi / market for north of PirPanjal, Lader valley, Jhelum Valley and Sindh Valley forests -timber logs (Boom) then. He retired from this assignment at age of 50 years. He was a philanthropist, socially caring and helpful person, so was his wife Ded.

Balakram 'Bab' while performing the Yegneopavit Ceremony of six of his grandsons had another five boys from his neighbourhood and relations included in the festive ceremony. It was Balakram who after dismantling some of the old structures at Malayar built a large house standing presently at Malayar. He provided a better living to his family and relations far and wide. He was a respectable personality of his era and Maharaja Partap Singh and his relations visited his house. A large room in the newly built house was laid engraved and painted with all Kashmir fruits / birds and Khutamband by skilled masters of that era for the royal

visitors. The river vitasta scenario must have been enchanting then. He took care of a large family and provided education to his two sons and took good care of his grand children too. In his older years he had got addicted to opium. I was told by Kena Kak (Tickoo) Wanchoo living next door that one day Kena Kak accompanied Bab Kak on a stroll to Gavkadal. While Bab Kak mounted Basantbagh side of the bridge, he quickly sat on a stone and -asked Kena Kak to run back home and get him the vial containing opium -lying in his pheran pocket. Kena Kak obeyed and reached back with opium vial. Bab Kak took a little and after a while resumed his walking upright. His wife Ded was a great lady too, she used to feed mohalla children along with her own grandchildren running about in the compound.

Balakram had two sons:

Shankerjoo (Baesaeb) 1873 – 1945

And

Tarachand (Lalesaeb) 1875 – 1964

Shankerjoo (Baesaeb) elder of the two sons of Balakram received education in Persian, Urdu and English. Worked and served the State Police and retired as Inspector of Police northern Kashmir Valley. He lived between 1873 – 1945. Baesaeb's first marriage was from Kotheedars, she died issueless. His second wife was from Khodabalis (Kaul) in the neighbourhood. She Mata-I, bore him one son Nandal (Baetoth) writers father. Mata No.-I passed away and Baesaeb had his third wife from Mams (originally Drabiyar), R.N. Mandir. Mata No-II bore him two sons – Dinanath (Denbaiji) and Manoharnath (Manakak). When mata-II passed away Mankak was yet suckling and was taken care of by Goweri Kakni wife of Baelal (Jialal, son of Tarachand Wanchoo) his eldest cousins wife and Batni wife of Baetoth (Nandal Son of Shankarjoo Wanchoo) his elder brothers wife (my mother). This was before I was born. Baesaeb married yet again (4th wife) from Nehama (Badgam) she too was short lived and died of childbirth, alongwith baby girl.

Baesaeb was left a widower at the time of his retirement from service. His service involved him to be mostly away from home. Baei Saib was fair complexioned, soft and supple, simple straight forward gentle and affectionate. He was unfortunate as none of his wives lived to look after him and his children and affairs. After his father Balakram he was a major

source of income and resource for the family household. His children were taken care of by his mother as long as she lived and thereafter by his fortunate younger brother Lalesaeb (Tarachand) and his first and second wife Sompkuji along with their own besides controlling the joint house hold. Later on when the senior daughter in laws of the house Gowri (Kakni) wife of Jialal Wanchoo (son of Tarachand) and my mother Batni (Ami) wife of Nandal Wanchoo were brought in, they were to share responsibility of upbringing the motherless child of Shankerjoo, Manakak. Baesaeb lived a saintly life after his retirement. Most of the time in the fornoon he would spend in the Thakur-Dwara of the house after cold bath at the tap in the compound, while Amar Bayu would be performing daily Pooja at the Thakurdwara.

He passed away peacefully in normal health during post lunch routine siesta (nap) in January 1945. His brother Tarachand was around and Manakak his younger son with family were at home with him. His eldest son Baetoth was posted at Baramulla with family. He reached back home on receiving the message. Dena Baiji his second son with family was at Udampur as he had just before then been able to get a regular job in Rakhs of the Tawaza Deptt. Shankerjoo Baesaeb's monthly pension was Rs25/- when I was in college.

Tarachand Wanchoo (Lalesaeb) was the second son of Balakram Wanchoo. He lived between 1875 – 1964 AD, he had received education in Persian, Urdu and English. Worked as a Court clerk and retired as a translator. His first wife was from Bhats of Kanikot (Badgam). She died after bearing him three children – Gunerded, Jialal (Baelal) and Shambunath (Baegash). His second marriage was with Sanpekuj - Kakni for daughter in laws and Ded for grandchildren. Her sons and brother in laws sons would call her Sanpekuj. She was from Trisil (Narperastan). She bore him Shivnath, Durga Prasad (Babu), Prethivinath (Bulakak) and Somnath (Somkak). Shivnath was adopted by his grandmother. Tarachand was smart, egoistic and commanding and taller than his brother was. Lalesaeb's monthly pension was Rs.20 while I was in college. He controlled the entire affairs of the joint family of two brothers until they separated in 1939-40 to live apart. The two brothers would spend the whole day together with relations from Kouls, Mams, Trisils, Khodabalis and acquaintances and neighbours visiting. Dr. Mahadev Patoo (Razdan) was a common friend of the two brothers and a family doctor. As a routine

daily he would show up at our house after office hours and entertain the brothers with Chess game to which the two brothers were used to otherwise. The doctor friend would stay with Baesaeb and Lalesaeb till late hours and often have dinner with them. He breathed his last in the company of his two brother friends at our house. The two brothers shared a common 'Huka' but with different tobacco brands.

Sanpekuj ('Kakni' – 'Ded') was a caring affectionate granny of the house. She was heading a team of eight daughter in laws (five her own and three of her elder brother in law Baesaeb) besides kitchen master Prakashram and few other domestic helps from time to time. She would take good care of Lalesaeb. A musician Gonde Baelal living in the neighbourhood would entertain the two brothers occasionally. A Muslim domestic help from village was always handy at beck and call of the two brothers, who shared a common 'Devan-Khana' a long room in the north east of the first floor of the house.

Kailas Ram from shopian was in a way household manager for a longtime. The family resources had increased day by day with the children of the two brothers – Baelal, Baethoth and Baegash well set in Govt. Services. They were later joined by Bulakak as an Engineer (first from the family) with Somkak and Manakak at school / college with me and juniors following suit. Kailas Ram later was employed in Kailas Carpet Company and then Sudarshan, Premnath and Damodar were inducted into our household. These too overtime got employed. Sudarshan as a peon. Premnath and Damodar both as constables in Police Deptt. Other domestic helps attached to Baelal and Baethoth at outstations would be available to the household when either families would be at Malayar home. The family was a flourishing one.

The other large room on the first floor was known as Zenana Dewan Khana, which was exclusively, used by womenfolk and the domestic aids of the household.

Shankerjoo's (Baesaeb) Progeny

1. **Son Nandalal** (Baethoth) was born in Jan 1901 of Mata No 1 Khodabalis (2nd wife of Baesaeb). Received college education at Srinagar. He was a sportsman of his time—a cricketer, footballer, and a swimmer. After his college degree, he got appointed in the police department probably more because of his physique, personality and having been a sportsman. In my infancy, I have a recollection that he was deputed for training in police training institute of the government after having been selected. Jia lal Darbari was senior to him but were together for training. In the college he had taken part in many stage dramas as was evident from group photographs hanging on the wall of his room. His posting as Sub Inspector and Inspector of police kept him out of home generally. He was married first time to Sister of Sut Lal and Madho Lal Tarewal (Rainas) of Dookan Sangin Fatehkadal. She died issueless. His second marriage soon after was with (Batani Jalali) who lived between 1902-1964. She was simple gentle noble devoted housewife. She would help needy people particularly women quietly. She bore three sons and three daughters, of whom one son and one daughter died in infancy. Ami as she was known died of heart failure on August 9th 1964, as a result of shock due to demise of her younger brother Gwashtoths wife who had left behind young kids. I was away in Ladakh out on tour and reached back two days after. I was told that while she was taken for Cremation a large procession accompanied and that all shopkeepers enroute downed their shutters and most accompanied the mourners.

Baethoth was the sole earner for Baesaeb's family until Manakak got a job after M.Sc. in early forties. Denabaiji and family were looked after by Baesaeb and joint family until mid forties when Denabaiji got into service belatedly. Baethoth service career remained by and large commendable with posting as S. I. police Langet Handwara / Baramulla / Kulgam / Ganderbal Prosecution Srinagar / Anantnag and Distt Inspector Srinagar / Baramulla / Anantnag, etc. Post 1947 was an era of Supersessions for KPS, to which he too was no exception. He had many special assignments during his service tenure as Special officer, Prosecutor and special Coveted duties of officer incharge Amarnath Yatra in 1951 resumed after a lapse of five years due to partition of British India and war with Pakistan. It earned him appreciation from Govt. of India and J & K Govt.

He retired from service in 1956-57. He lived for 18 years after the demise of his wife Ami looking after and bringing up Brijlal and his family. He passed away on 10th JAN 1983 after both sons of Brijlal were fixed up in services. Vinod after BA in ITI Srinagar Anil after diploma in PHE Department

Baethoth's Progeny

1. **Son Pran Nath** married to Durga (Prana) daughter of Amarnath Dulloo, Karannagar. Durga (Prana) passed away on April 7th 2003 at Delhi. Pran nath has three Sons -Kameshwar (Rajajee) M.Sc., S.B.I. manager, married Santosh (Khashu), DAV school teacher-have a daughter, Shamita BE (computer engineer) married Chetan Sadhu Orlando (Florida), U.S.A and son Amit BE computer engineer pursuing MS in U.S.A.

Vijender (Boba) Bussiness executive married Rajini (Mattoo) a Vidhya Bhavan teacher—Have a son Piyush studying 9th living at Panchkula (HRY)

Lalit Son Engineer / scientist working with Global Science Company (NASA) USA is married to Nina Singh daughter of Sh Ramanuj singh Lucknow. They have two daughters studying at Lucknow.

2. **Daughter Chuni** married B.N. Matto Asst Dir General P&T Board Government of India (Retd). Chuni was done to death at her Rohini flat in May 1997 by an intruder. Husband and Sons Ashok jee and Sunil jee are settled at Rohini and Raipur.

1. Their daughter late Muni was married to Col N Kaul ASC. Their two children Bunny and Honey – Bunny daughter is an MBA working with a multi national company. Son Honey is studying Hotel Management.
2. **Son Ashok** jee an Engineer married to Asha jee (Khazanchi) have two daughters, Preeti an Electronic Engineer married to Sanjay Razdan and settled at Vasundara Enclave, Supriaya a computer specialist working in Delhi.
3. **Son Sunil** jee an engineer with Dairy Dev board married to Anita (Kachroo) with two children studying and living at Raipur.

3. **Daughter Durga** (Pyari) married T.N.Khashoo (Gankhan) retired as Deputy Director, Directorate of Economics, Government of India. T.N. Khashoo passed away in Delhi on 29th September 2002.

1. Son Ashok (Bhadur jee) Engineer, V P Bhushan industries married Bit jee (Kaul) have two daughters Ruchika and Suchika studying college living at Mayur Vihar Delhi.
2. Daughter Baby married Kanwar Mahaldar Mining Engineer at Hazarbagh have a son Ashish an Engineer working at Hyderabad and a daughter Lovely studying Engineering in Nagpur.
3. Daughter Anu- married Ramesh Mujhoo Engineer BHEL settled at Haridawar with two young children.

4. **Son Brijlal** (Papajee) married Sheela (Koul Soibug) retired health inspector, passed away on 20th Sept 2004 after brief illness. Have two Sons 1. Vinod (Babuji) an ITI Administrative married Jiga (Miya) Have two children Rishib son and a daughter studying, 2. Anil Engineer PHE married Pinky (Thusu's) with two daughters Ruchi and Suchi studying school settled at Janipor Jammu.

After the death of Mata No 1 (Khodabalai) Shankerjoo (Baesaeb) married Mata no 2 (Mams) originally from Drabiyar. She bore him two sons and died soon after second delivery. Dinanath and Manoharnath. Dinanath (Denbajji) was a matriculate and had received technical training at the Technical School Goggibagh Srinagar. He was swift, gentle and quite by nature. He was married to Tulsi (Dhar / RopaBhawani) who bore him seven daughters and one son. Two of the daughters did not survive. Denabajji was not lucky in service and work until 1945 and was dependent upon his fathers, brothers and the joint family resources until he got employed in the Rakhs Section of Tawaza department past forty.

Dinanath's Progeny Daughters

1. **Dulari** married Poshkarnath Koul (R. N. Mandir) (AG Office) a close cousin of Mrs. Manakak Wanchoo. Poshkarnath passed away in tragic air accident in February 1966. They have two sons and a daughter. Opendar (Engineer) married Vijay settled at Baruch

alongwith mother Dulari.

Girja married Virender Mirakhor an Insurance officer with a son & three daughters settled at Jallandhar.

Virender married Nirmal – son Prateek, Baruch. Settled at Baroch with mother Dulari.

2. **Janak** (Kanta) married K. N. Bakshi (AIR) settled at Jammu with, son Sunil married Vijay Daughter Sunita married Shibben Koul, have two daughters Shikha and Surksha, Jammu.

Daughter Suneeta married Subhash Bhat, with two children Sativrat & Suneeta settled in Kangra

3. **Shyma** (Makhan) married M. K. Razdan both retired officers from Health and Horticulture. Settled at Ghaziabad with Sanjay & Rajesh sons.

4. **Sarla** (Uma) married H. N. Zutshi (Retired Engineer) daughter Bharati (Babli) married Ian, Canada, son Bharat (King), Advertising Consultant settled with parents at Panchkula (Haryana).

5. **Son Jatinder** married Saroj (Beera...) retired Under Secretary J & K Government. Settled at Jammu daughter Bhavika (Jimi) married Vivek Oogra settled at Ahmedabad, business.

Son Venet (Vicky) on Hotel Management job at Bangalore after doing Hotel Management course.

6. **Rani** (Muni) SBI officer married Ashok Kaul retired (SBI), settled at Delhi, daughter Aroshi a therapist married, Delhi. Two sons Ankur & Ankush, Engineers.

Manakak (ManoharNath) – The third and the youngest son of Shankerjoo (Baesaeb) has had to struggle right from birth as his mother Mata no. 2 died soon after his birth. He was taken care of by his aunt Sampkuji and cousin brothers wife (Gowri Kakni) as the first daughter in law of the family then, and my mother late Ami when she got into the household in

Manakak's childhood / infancy. He was born in 1919 about a year after Somkak the youngest son of Lalesaeb (Tarachand) and grew up together but differently. Manakak was studious, simple straightforward and affectionate. Devoid of his real mothers love, making him a little peeved. For quite some time Vishkak more than him his brother Triakak from Sarafs were their companion after the loss of their mother (Jiji). Triakak, Manakak, and Somkak were neck to neck. While I was at School & they were in college I remember their classmates & friends who would visit our house to be with Manakak & Triakak. They were toppers of their time, Somnath Toshkhani, Gulam Mohd. Shah (Gula Shah), M. Yusuf Buch, Vishnath Wanchoo a Coparcenary of the clan besides being a classmate & some others. I was enjoying their presence as a junior. Somkak's friends and associates were Gulam Mohd. Bhat (Reda), Mohamed Amin & Somnath, Kilam, etc.

Manakak did his FSC from S.P. College, Srinagar and his B.Sc. from P. W. College, Jammu. It was time that Bulakak had returned from England and was posted at Jammu as Engineer. So Manakak was at home at Jammu with Bulakak & Sushela Bhabhi. He was married to Kamla (Koul), Mohini (Bhabiji) in 1937. Soon after he left for M.Sc. at Lucknow University. He was diligent and would always get good percentage of marks. After M.Sc. his struggles started, as finding a job then had become difficult at home. He struggled and managed. His vocational interest was musical instruments, for which there were no takers at home and ultimately gave up pursuit. His brother Denabajee hardly lived together with him after the death of their father in January 1945. He is the one person in the whole clan who has had to strive and struggle hard in life. Mohini (Bhabiji) bore him five sons and a daughter. The first son died accidentally after a fall from the top floor bay of the house. Both together did all the best to educate their children. Manakak retired as Principal Government College, Jammu & Kashmir.

Son – Kishenjee (Bhai Sahib) an Engineering consultant, married to Ushajee (Rambal) they have a son Raju and daughter Geeta married to Piyush Tiwari with Shashant and Shristi children. Kishenjee and family live at Vasant Kunj, Delhi.

Son – Prudaman K. Wanchoo, BDS (Dental Surgeon) died young in a road accident in 1990, while on way to Rishikesh where he was posted. Survived by wife Baby (Nirmala)....., settled at Faridabad with son Vikas (Engineer) married Tiku BMS and

daughter Meenakshi (Mini) BDS married to Bhusan Bhat (Engineer) at Ahmedabad. They have a girlchild.

Daughter – Nany Jee (Nirmal / Indu) Koul married to Rajinder Koul, Consultant Engineer, Kolkata. They have two children. Son Amit, a Management Specialist married to Debshi with a son at Pune. Daughter Archana (Software Engineer) married to Ankush Wali, Delhi.

Son – Ravinder (Bhadurjee) Mechanical Engineer, Dy. G.M. BHEL, Hyderabad, married to Sucheta (Koul) – son Rohan Engineering student settled at Hyderabad.

Son – Opendar Wanchoo (Upojee) Engineer (Marketing Specialist) married Nirmal (Tiku), Working Executive. Children son Robel preparing for Engineering and Tanya daughter settled at Faridabad. Bhabijee and Manakak have been living with Upojee. Bhabijee passed away on 27th July, 2003 at Faridabad. She was Manakak's strength and cushion, Manakak is really shattered. God help him.

Tarachand Wanchoo's Progeny

Tarachand (Lalesaeb) was the second son of Balak Ram Wanchoo. He lived between 1875-1964. His first wife was from Kanikot, who died after bearing him three children, one daughter and two sons.

1. Daughter – Goner (Gonerded Jiji) she was married to Jialal Saraf (Tatha) Fatehkadal who retired as Dy. Controller of supplies and prices. This probably was last marriage managed and performed by Balak Ram Wanchoo before his death. She was not longlived. She died after giving birth to, two sons Vishkak (VN) and Triakak (TN). I have no idea about Gonerded (Jiji) demise but remember having seen Vishkak and Triakak staying in our house and family. Vishkak was senior but Triakak was neck to neck with Somkak and Manakak. Tattha (Jialal Saraf) married Jiji (number two) from Aambardars, Rainawari. She did not have any child of her own. She looked after the two sons of her husband from his first wife. They also took care of Prabha (Tatha's sister's daughter) from Mandloo brought her up after the death of her mother, and saw her

settled in life. Jiji was very affectionate and a real good aunt Buwa. She lived always with Vishkak's family, after the death of her husband. She passed away in Delhi.

Son – VN (Vishkak) – did his graduation and was married to Shyama jee (Dhar) who bore him four daughters – married Kars (England), Zutshi's, Sadhu's and Thusoo's, settled in UK, USA, Delhi and Bangalore and one son Tej Kishen married and settled in Delhi. Vishkak retired as Joint Director Industries, J & K. Vishkak passed away in Delhi in 1993 followed a few months later by wife Shama jee in USA while staying with her daughter. It was a lovely, affectionate, highly social family.

Son – TN (Triakak) – Triakak was more attached and associated with our family, his mothers home (maternal) by virtue of the fact that he, Somkak and Manakak were studying together, though in different schools. Triakak was a class mate of Manakak and would spend most of their time together. I was like a 'Pochalav' with them as a junior. He was very affectionate and witty than anyone else in our clan. A little fun, I remember that he would narrate about Somkak while Somkak was in 6th class. His teacher had asked Somkak where was Gehun (wheat) produced. He had quickly replied Baramula as Baalal (Wanchoo) was posted at Barmula then and he was sending wheat and other things to the family for use.

Triakak did his B.A. from Srinagar and L.L.B. from Lucknow and soon after got employed in Delhi. He was inducted into IAS and later retired as a FAO Rep. Married to Mohini (Dhar) and has sons from her who are settled abroad. Triakak and Mohini, I am told are living in Vasant Vihar, New Delhi.

2. Son – Jialal (Baalal) – He must have been a pampered child as the first grandson of Balakram Wanchoo. Some qualities of Balakram Wanchoo, as I have gathered were imbibed in him like philanthropy and socialising. He was rusticated from university examination and as such was got employed in Revenue Department and rose by ranks from Munsirim to the rank of a Tehshildar by stages / quick leaps through family influence. He was intelligent, fearless and egoistic, but affectionate and helpful socially. He was a great soul

and source for the joint family of two brothers Bai Saib and Lalesaeb. He was married to Gowri (Kakni) of Jinsis (Gankhan). They did not have a child of their own. The couple satisfied their thirst of children by looking after Bulakak, Somkak, Manakak, Vishkak and Triakak besides at later stages me and Mangloo. Ultimately he adopted Nana his brother Shamboo Nath's son. He was short lived and died young at Kulgam of horse riding in 1945. Later he owned Raja (Rajender) another of Shamboo Nath's son married him to Nancy (Aima) who had joined IAF. Gowri (Kakni) had been invalidated after a paralytic attack, but managed to live and stand with Baelal's care and comfort and with Visher Ded and Dever Ded, attendance and domestic help.

Baelal's Service career was exemplary as a very good administrator, but it was cut short in 1947, as Teshildar, Baramulla, when he had to leave the State, as the Awami Raj, Political administrators did not want him to be there. But it was through his Muslim friends who mattered, who mended his fences with the Political administrators in 1950 and he was called back and posted as Teshildar, Ramban. Hence, he helped couple of national conference candidates to get through in Assembly Election. This further strengthened his relationship with the top political administrators. He was posted to a prestigious post of Tehsildar, Uri then. But his ego failed him here as he developed differences with the local political administrator and was sent on forced leave and ultimately retirement from service in 1952. Post retirement period he would spend in developing his Children Orchard and winter at Jammu / Amritsar.

His wife Gowri (Kakni) passed away in 1963. She was an affectionate noble woman. She had brothers Gopinath and Brijnath and sisters, Swaroops and Labroos, whose progenies are settled in Delhi / Jammu, etc. He had a 30-acre fruit orchard at Chidren, Pulwama. I had several occasions visiting him at Chidren orchard while on official tours in the area or around, between 1952-1968. He sold the orchard in 1968 having lost interest in the venture. He married Raja (Rajinder) an IAF officer and would live with them whenever convenient. He passed away at Faridabad in March 1978, while he was living with Rajinder. He was a great

personality of his time of the clan. He was a good caretaker particularly of his father Lalesaeb and uncle Bai Saib. Rajinder has retired from IAF as wing commander and is settled at NOIDA with his family. His son an engineer, Ajay is at New Jersey and daughters are in US and UK.

3. **Son – Shamboo Nath (Baegash) –** He was the tallest in the family. Preferred taking up a job early in life than pursuing studies. He was married to Devki (Benjigri) from Tarewal (Rainas) Dookan Sangin (Fatekadal). He learnt typing and short hand. Most of his service he spent with Maharaja Hari Singh's personal office as his Peshi Assistant (in modern parlays a Personal Assistant). A job that involved his stay all the time around Maharaja Hari Singh. He would some times sneak out at midnight and spend a few hours at home with family. It was a happy situation – eat, drink and be merry, for him. It was around 1943-44 that internal court politics around Maharaja Hari Singh succeeded in saying goodbye to officers and officials working then around Maharaja Hari Singh, only to be succeeded by Maharaja's relatives or non Kashmiris. As a result Baegash was transferred to the State Govt., where he was adjusted as a Head Clerk in Health Deptt. and then Tawaza Deptt. He had a bad time in Tawaza Deptt. and had to get dismissal converted to retirement. With the help of a former boss he got fixed up in Maharaja Holkars (Indore) personal office and lived for some years there with his family and children. His children got educated and later settled in life from here. His second son Poshkarnath who had got employed in Education Deptt., Madhya Pradesh, built a house at Khandwa. Pitcha – Indira daughter was married there. She had received her medical education there as also her brother's; who got settled in life thereafter. Later on Baegash and Benjigri would spend summers in Srinagar until Baegash passed away in summer of 1985 at Srinagar. Devki (Benjigri) would live with her children at Khandwa etc., until she joined Vijay (Nika) her youngest son in England. Where she spend her end years. She passed away in a nursing home in England in January 1999, where she was being taken care of after paralytic attack in early nineties. She passed away at past 96 years, the oldest in the clan then. Baegash and Benjigri had five sons and one daughter.

Son – Dwarka Nath (Mangloo) was born six months or so after me.

He was intelligent and a freelancer ab-initio but later he did not evince interest in studies. After matriculation he was sent to Lucknow to study in Commerce, while Manakak and Triakak Saraf were there in post graduation and I was at Lakhaoti College. He did not pursue studies and instead he pursued politics and journalism. A left leaning Congress activist, he was encouraged by Chelapati Rao of National Herald Lucknow and worked as a reporter. During this time he developed friendship with a girl lecturer Chanderkala of Lucknow, whom he married. This all happened against the wishes of his parents and they literally disowned him and he had to fend for himself. I saw Mangloo and Chanderkala at Srinagar in June 1947, when Baelal had gone to Lucknow and had brought the two to Srinagar for a reception after marriage. Chanderkala was in family way and would not stay on in Srinagar for long then. They went back to Lucknow after the reception. Later Mangloo got absorbed into information Deptt. Government of India, and worked as such between Lucknow and Delhi until retirement. Until Mangloo's retirement I must have seen him on a few occasion in Delhi and once in Lucknow. Last that I saw him was before his retirement at Delhi and found him in a shattered health, probably he was diabetic and was not taking any treatment then. I impressed upon him the need to care about his health and he assured me that soon he was returning to Lucknow after retirement and would get himself examined and treated. It was probably a year or so after his retirement that he passed away at Lucknow. He lived a life mostly without parental support. They have two daughters and long time back I learnt both of them got educated and married to equivalents from Kayast community – the couple were in college / university education and the other couple were IAS. I have seen the girls once when young in a Srinagar street alongwith their father Mangloo when they had visited Srinagar their father's birthplace. Mangloo and me were brought up together and were chums.

Son Poshkarnath – He completed his education and got employed in M.P. Education Deptt. He was married to Chuni (Sumbly). They had three sons, one passed away when young. Poshkarnath had settled down at Khandwa (M.P.) after retirement. Chuni his wife died young. His two sons Kamalnain and Jaideep are married settled at Bhopal and Delhi. Elder one Rural Development / Soil

Conservation officer M.P. and the other one an Engineer.

Daughter Pitcha (Indra) – She did her degree in medicine at Indore and got married to L. S. Mehta settled at Shahda (M.S.). Deepak son married Sujata have two children are settled on job in New Jersey (USA).

Son Nana was adopted by Baelal (Jialal Wanchoo) but died of horse riding at Kulgam in 1945 while very young.

Son Rajinder (Raja) – Did his masters at Indore and joined IAF from where he retired as Wg. Commander. Married to Nancy (Aima). Have two daughters and son Ajay. Ajay an engineer is working in New Jersey, USA. Daughters are working in USA and UK. Rajinder and Nancy live at NOIDA (UP).

Son Vijay (Nika) – An automobile Engineer in business is married to Santosh (Koul) live in Scotland, England. Have two sons Alok and Amit in business in England.

Tarachand's (Lalesab) Second marriage was with Sampkuj (Trisil Narpirastan). She bore him four sons:

1. **Shivnath** – As he was born on bad stars he was given in adoption to Sampkuj's mother (Trisil's). He worked as a clerk in Irrigation Deptt. and retired as such. He was married and had one daughter Chuni, who was married to Girdhari Tickoo was deserted by her husband without any issue. She studied and worked as a teacher or so. Lived with her father Shivnath as long as he was alive. She adopted a son, who was married by her and was living with him. No information after 1990.
2. **Durga Prasad** (Babu) – He was the handsomest personality of the whole clan, but was pampered from childhood. He was married to Janaki (Tickoo Rainawari). They did not have a child. Babu was given to drinking when grown up and did not get in any job responsibility as such. Great was the joint family which took care of his extravagance. He died young in March 1940, leaving behind his widow. Janaki continued to live with Wanchoo parivar for some

time after the death of her husband, but later moved to live with her brothers and their children at Rainawari. She passed away in early eighties while living with her nephews outside Kashmir.

3. **Prithvinath** (Bulakak) – The brightest of the sons of the clan. Intelligent and deligent both ab-initio. He did his F.Sc. from S.P. College, Srinagar and B.Sc. from P.W. College Jammu. After B.Sc. he went to Allahabad for M.A., but was called back to join B.Sc. (Engg.) College of Engineering, London (UK). He was married to Sushila (Batani Kotroo Fatehkadal)– on his return from England, he joined State Service as Assistant Engineer Jammu and retired as Chief Engineer / Development Secretary J & K State. He lived between 1914-1992. Sushila Bhabi passed away at Jammu in Dec. 1997. They are survived by five daughters, their families and one adopted son:

Daughters:

1. **Sarla** (Nany) – A Home Science graduate married Maj. P.L. Kak They have a daughter settled in England. Kak's are settled in NOIDA.
2. **Pyra** (Ratna) A researcher in social sciences married Opendar Verma (HCI). Pyra is teaching Social Sciences, Deptt. of Delhi University. Opendar passed away after retirement couple of years back. They have two sons who are married and settled. Ratna is settled in Delhi.
3. **Manorama** is a doctor and is married to P. Dua, settled in USA. They have a daughter.
4. **Niki** (Nirmala) married to J.L. Zutshi, Retd. Chief Engineer settled at Jammu. Their sons are married and settled abroad.
5. **Toshi** (Santosh Saraf) – Her husband passed away at Agra at a young age. Toshi is an officer in LIC, Jammu office. She has a son Ranu an Engineer who is married and settled at Delhi.

Son:

1. **Gudu** (Suneet) is a Hotel Management Executive married to

Priya Wadwa. They are settled at Gandhi Nagar Jammu alongwith little ones.

4. **Somnath** (Somkak, Kaka) – He was the youngest son of Lalesaab and Sampkuj. He had received extra attention from his father, mother, and brothers, which in a way brought in jealousy. He was a happy go lucky man. He graduated from Panjab University and was married to Somavati (Bakshi Sheeliteng). After graduation he got employed in State Traffic Deptt. and retired from there as DSP. He passed away in July 1988 accidentally. They have a daughter and a son.

Daughter Gopi (Usha) was a brilliant medical student of her time and passed with distinction. She is married to Dr. Dhiren Verma a Surgeon. They have a daughter Manisha (MD) married to Marcos an engineer and a son Vikas also a doctor. Verma's are settled at Baltimore (USA).

Son Satish (Uda) did his masters in science and is married to Bimla (Duda) retired as professor. They have an engineer son Raju (Sudhir) married Peshin doctor and are working in New York (USA) Somavati lives with Satish.

CHRONOLOGY

Narain Wanchoo (1790-1850)

Satram (Sapre) Wanchoo	(1824-1890)	(SRW)	Durga (Khashu) daughter of NL	1927-	Mayur Vihar, Delhi
Balakram Wanchoo (Babkak)	(1847-1917)	(BRW)	Brij Lal Wanchoo S/o NL	1933-Sept.2004	Janipore Jammu
Shankerjoo Wanchoo (Baesaeb)	(1873-1945)	(SD / BR)	Dwarikanath Wanchoo S/o Shb N (Manglo)	1924-1982	
Tarachand Wanchoo (Lalesaeb)	(1875-1964)	(TC / BR)	Poshkarnath Wanchoo S/o Shb N (Posh)		Khandwa, M.P.
Goner (Jiji) Saraf (GD)	(1897-1925)	(GD / TC)	Dulari Kaul D/o DN		Baruch (Guj.)
Jialal Wanchoo (Baelal)	(1898-1978)	(JL / TC)	Kanta Bakshi D/o DN		Jammu
Nandlal Wanchoo (Baetoth)	(1901-1983)	(NL / SD)	Uma Zutshi D/o DN		Panchkula
Shambunath Wanchoo (Baegash)	(1901-1986)	(Sh TN / TC)	Pitcha (Indra Mehta) D/o Shambo N		Shahda (MS)
Shivnath (Trisil) (Sh N)	1903-	(Sh N / TC)	Shyama Rajdan D/o DN		Ghaziabad
			Jatinder Wanchoo S/o DN		Jammu
		adoption to Trisil	Rani Kaul D/o DN		Delhi
Dinanath Wanchoo (Baiji) (DN)	1904-1964	(DN / SD)	Rajinder Wanchoo (RJ) S/o JL		NOIDA (UP)
Durga Parsad Wanchoo (Baboo) (DP)	1905-1940	(DP / TC)	Vijay Wanchoo (Nika) S/o Shab N		Scotland (UK)
Prethvinath Wanchoo (Bulakak) (Prth)	1914-1992	(Prth / TC)	Sarlakak (SAR) D/o Prithvi N		NOIDA (UP)
Somnath Wanchoo (Somkak) (Som)	1918-1988	(Som / TC)	Ratna Verma (RAT) D/o Prithvi N		Delhi
Manoharnath Wanchoo (Manakak) (Man)	1918	(MAN / SD)	Manorama Dua D/o Prithvi N		USA
Sanpekuj (Ded) wife of TC	1880-1963		Nirmala Zutshi D/o Prithvi N		Jammu
Gowri (Kakni) wife of JL	1900-1962		Santosh Saraf D/o Prithvi N		Jammu
Batni (Ami) wife of NL	1902-1964		Suneet Wanchoo S/o Prithvi N		Jammu
Devki (Benjigri) wife of Sh B N	1903-1999		Gopi (Usha Verma) D/o Som N		Baltimore USA
Tulsi (Bhabi) wife of DN	1905-2003		Satish Wanchoo S/o Som N		Jammu
Janki wife of DP	1906-1985		Subhir Wanchoo S/o Satish Wanchoo		NJ USA
Sushila (Bhabi) wife of Prth N	1915-1997		Kishanjee Wanchoo (KJ) S/o MN		Delhi
Somavati wife of Som N	1918-	With son Satish	Pradaman K. Wanchoo Late (PR) S/o MN		Faridabad
Kamla (Mohini) wife of MNW	1920-2003 July		Ravinder Wanchoo S/o MN		Hyderabad
Prana (Durga) wife of PRNN	1927-2003 April		Nancy (Indu Kaul) D/o MN		Kolkata
Pran Nath Wanchoo (PRN)	1923-	USA	Opender Wanchoo (OP) S/o MN		Faridabad
Chuni (Mattoo) daughter of NL	1925-1997	Rohini, Delhi	Kameshwar Wanchoo S/o PRNN		Vasundara Enclave, Delhi

Vijender Wanchoo S/o PRNN	Panchkula (HRY)
Lalit Wanchoo S/o PRNN	MD-USA
Amit Wanchoo S/o Kameshwar Wanchoo	NC USA
Vinod Wanchoo S/o BLW	Janipore, Jammu
Anil Wanchoo S/o BLW	Janipore Jammu
Sameer Wanchoo S/o Vijender Wanchoo	Panchkula
Kanwal Nain Wanchoo S/o Posh. Nath Wanchoo	Bhopal
Jaideep Wanchoo S/o Posh. Nath Wanchoo	Delhi
Ajay Wanchoo S/o Rajinder Wanchoo	New Jerry, USA
Alok Wanchoo S/o Vijay Wanchoo	Scotland (UK)
Amit Wanchoo S/o Vijay Wanchoo	Scotland (UK)
Vineet Wanchoo S/o Jatinder Wanchoo	Bangalore
Raja Wanchoo S/o KJ Wanchoo	Delhi
Vikas Wanchoo S/o Pradaman Wanchoo	Faridabad
Rohan Wanchoo S/o Ravinder Wanchoo	Hyderabad
Robel Wanchoo S/o Opende Wanchoo	Faridabad
Rishib Wanchoo S/o Vinod Wanchoo	Janipore Jammu
Timsy and Neeti daughter's of Lalit Wanchoo	Lucknow/MD U.S.A.
Tania D/o Opende Wanchoo	Faridabad
Ruchi and Suchi daughter's of Anil Wanchoo	Janipore, Jammu

The Ancestral Properties

Satram Wanchoo had inherited from his foster father a large Puran (Plot of land) on the right bank of river Jhelum at Malayar with couple of old houses at this site. Besides a two storied house with a shop on main Ganpatyar Kralakhud road immediately outside the house premises, and a long shop line on Somyar Mandir side on the approach to old Habakadal bridge were owned, besides agricultural lands, at Tulamula, Ladowun, Rampur Tehsil Ganderbal.

The other Wanchoo's who lived around Satram's houses and Puran were Sansarchand Wanchoo and Sarwanand Wanchoo. Sansarchand

Wanchoo sold his house to Balak Ram Wanchoo son of Satram, moved away to Habakadal area and later his progenies to Karannagar / Delhi / Bombay/ USA etc. Sansarchand Wanchoo's sons were Amarnath, Premnath from first wife and Vishnath and Niranjannath from second wife. Vishnath passed away in USA and his children are settled in US and Delhi. We would observe Coparcenary relationship upto Balak Ram's time, Sarwanand Wanchoo had a brother – Shyamal, a teacher and Janakinath, Trilokenath, Motilal – Mohanlal, and Chunilal sons and Chanda and Roopa (Veena) daughters. Chanda was married to Bradoo's and came to live in her father's house. Roopa (Veena) married a non-Kashmiri. Mohanlal and Chunilal settled in Ghaziabad. Janakinath had a house in Jawahar Nagar. They had a son Sohanlal who was living at Jammu / Srinagar. Balak Ram Wanchoo built a new large house after dismantling two old houses. Balakram's house is still existing, liveable original family house. Sarwanand Wanchoo's house lay close in the northwest and Sansarchand Wanchoo's in north east, later acquired by Balak Ram and sold to Keshonath and Bolanath by Shankerjoo and Tarachand in late thirties. Apart from Malayar house, Tarachand constructed a bungalow house at Barbarshah in late thirties, subsequently Bulakak built a house of his own at Barjulla in early forties and later built a house at Karannagar. Baelal had built a house in Chidren orchard. Somkak had built a house in Nawabad, Jammu. Prannath S/o Nandlal acquired a house of his own in 1985 in Narsingarh (Karannagar) a short-lived venture.

After exodus – Manakak's children acquired houses / flats in Vasant Kunj Delhi / Faridabad and Hyderabad. Jatinder Wanchoo son of Dinanath has a flat in Delhi. Satish son of Somkak acquired a flat at Delhi. Brijlal son of Nandlal built a house at Janipore, Jammu.

Prannath's sons bought flats at Vasandra Enclave, Delhi, Panchkula, (Chandigarh) and house at Glendale (MD) USA and Gomtinagar Lucknow U.P.

Shamboonath's son Poshkarnath and his children have house / flat at Khandwa / Bhopal and Delhi.

Rajinder S/o Jialal has a house in NOIDA. Vijay (Nika) S/o SN has house in Scotland England.

The Ancestral Malayar Houses

The main house a three storied, seven Bay house, had a basement area and top Brar Kaini, for storage of firewood and lots of other family stocks, besides two indoor latrines, on top of which was the family Paddy store (Dana Koth). The basement area covered a stable, food store, and large bathroom, two large family stores. Immediately on entering from the main gate of the house property, on the left was the 'Nalkaghar' tap water source. There was no tap water source inside the house except that a pipe connection from hot water tank in the Kitchen to the bathroom in the basement. This water tank (copper barrel) was placed on the back burner of the Wood Stove (Choola) 'Dan' to provide for bathing and washing warm water always. The water for use in the kitchen, etc., was stored in brass and earthen Matkas inside the house. The tap water with extended pipelines was taken inside the kitchen and a bathroom first time by Prannath son of Nandlal Wanchoo in 1946-47.

The compound in front of the house was quite large as all marriages and other social ceremonies would be held here by most of the neighbours as well, besides our own. It was a playground for the family children and for those in the neighbourhood. A sizeable 'TAHI Zamini' on the riverbank was attached to the house for which, tax was being paid regularly. Besides the basement area as detailed, in the preceding Para, the house comprised of:

1st Floor – Four large rooms, a grain store, and step down kitchen on the front side.

2nd Floor – Six rooms, one Pooja room (Thakurdwara)

3rd Floor – was initially one single 'Kani' large hall with 4 bays (Zoon-i- dabs), two on west and one in east and one long bay Balcony on the south side. This house was built by BalakRam Wanchoo son of Satram after dismantling the old Wanchoo house at site.

Another house close in northeast belonging to Sansarchand Wanchoo a Coparcenary Wanchoo was acquired by Balakram and connected through the compound wall and door on the north side. This old

fashioned house comprised of two Watoos on the ground floor, two rooms with storage in the first floor and two rooms in 2nd floor – A Kani and a kitchen on the top floor. In my infancy Baegash (Shamboonath) and Baboo (Durga Prasad) would have their bedrooms in this old acquired house and another room was used by guests and some regular relative residents. One 'Wot' was used by domestic helps and Kani was store for Charcoal etc. One Wot and one room was under occupation of Radha (Tiku) who as a remnant of Maternal side of Balakram was brought in along with her daughter and two sons to live in with all protection. Her daughter was married to Ramjoo Trisil (Tankipira) and the two sons Kenakak and Bolakak were brought up and settled in life by Balakram. This Sarparasti of Balakram and his two sons Shanker Dass and Tarachand give these Tikoo's also Wanchoo surname. There progeny details are given elsewhere.

Roof and 'Kani' of the Malayar house – The roof of the house was topped with Birch (Burza) and earth, which would be green to look at for most of the year and with yellow blossom of (Sandij) in the spring / summer. The roof appeared to me as a very large field in my childhood days, whenever I would scarily peep through the 'Woga' exit window of the roof. I would watch through the exit window my seniors Vishkak (Saraf) Somkak, Manakak, Triakak along with their classmates / friends kite flying, running about with ease on the rooftop. Once Somkak ventured to cycle on the roof surface and he did it. He seemed to me braver than all others in the family of his rank. A domestic help had planted some Poppies and Daffodils and Pudina (Mint) on the rooftop. The Poppies (Gullala) when in flower with fire red colour would attract everybody's attention and shun away the winter weariness. The Sober Daffodils would send the sweet scent around to recover from winter sicknesses. Pudina was the delight of the ladies of the house and the domestic help would be called to pick and provide some at their lunch (almost midday) chutney or in Lassi. I have enjoyed many a mid day Mendoo's with my aunts.

The earth and birch roof was replaced when Govt. took over the sholpines of Wanchoo on approach road to old Habakadal Somyar side. With the compensation, the family backed by Shanker Dass (Baesaeb) and Tarachand (Lalesaeb) renovated the roof GI Sheets and subsequently converted the large hall (Kani) into five large rooms, which was reallocated between two brothers. It was thus and then that Baegash and

Baboo shifted their bedrooms to the main house. The reallocations resulted in shifting of Baetoth my father from room in the northeast (second floor) to newly transformed room in southwest with two bays, just above Baelal's room. Lalesaeb occupied Baetoth's room, and gave his room to Bulakak. Baegash and Baboo got a room each on the top floor Baegash in the West and Baboo the north side. Manakak got a room on the top floor west central. Somkak had the study room already allocated. Later when Baelal, Baegash, and Bulakak shifted to the new house at Barbarshah – Somkak and Baboo had the vacated space to use.

The 'Kani' large hall was as large as probably a good play field around school's etc. Somkak and Manakak would pedal cycles here initially. It used to be a good area for running about for children and other wise for large gatherings and festivities.

The two-storied house with a shop on the Ganpatyar – Kralkhud road just outside the family house continued to yield rental until early sixties when it was disposed off by Lala Saib and my father. The ancestral property consisted of a:

1. **Large House** on the river bank (right of Vitasta) at Malayar and;
 2. **A Four Storied** old house in the north of the main house.
 3. **A Two Storied** house with a shop on ground floor on the main Ganpatyar Habakadal road just across the main house at Malayar.
 4. **A long Shopline** on Somyar side of the old Habakadal Bridge.
- 2, 3 and 4 were sold off overtime by Shankerjoo and Tarachand.
5. **The Joint Family** agricultural and Nambal lands were at Tulamula, Laduwan and Rampur, Tehshil, Ganderbal.

These comprised of Nambal grasslands, Riceland's, plantations of Poplar and Willows. While the house property have been detailed and described separately, herein and account of lands and produce is given, as it had been a source of sustenance of a society and social status.

The joint family lands were spread over in Tehsil Ganderbal mostly in Halqa Tulamula and Rampur. The lands aboriginally were Nambal lands but overtime the lands were reclaimed through drainage and plantations and most of the area was converted in rice growing. A house with a granary store was built at Tulamula over a plot of 4 acres of land on the main road to Kherbhawani. This provided for the stay for the family on visit to the Shrine, but generally for Baesaeb (Shankerjoo) who would look after the reclamation and improvement of lands after his retirement. He had a domestic help with him always, besides relations from Laduwan Bhan's to take care and help in work. The area surrounding the house would be cultivated with mostly Chillies, Pumpkins and other vegetables. This would provide bag loads of Red Chillies, which would be dried at site and milled at Srinagar and large Pumpkins in dozens for use of the family and relations at Srinagar and most of the Nambal areas reclaimed were overtime planted with Willows and Poplars. The plantation material and labour were always paid by Baesaeb (Shankerjoo). The Paddy produce that would each autumn reach Malayar house would suffice for the family needs including occasional extra needs for marriage functions, etc. The barber, washer man, the pujari and some domestic helps would be given paddy in lieu of pay / wages until late thirties besides some relations.

Horse ownership and culture was alien to the clan, as the oldest mode of transport in the valley besides boats in the riverian areas. The landowners would find it convenient to keep a horse and cow for domestic use. Balakram used a horse. After him Shankerjoo who was a Police executive owned and used a horse until he retired. Baelal and Baetoth who were Tehshildar and Thanedar of their times owned and used horses. The ace horse riders in the family were Baelal, Baetoth and Prannath (son of Baetoth) an agricultural executive. Baelal acquired a Tonga while he was Naib Tehshildar Ganderbal. Baetoth acquired a Tonga while he was S.H.O. Ganderbal. A car was acquired by Bulakak; while he was posted as Asstt. Engineer Jammu in 1938. Lalesaeb had acquired the first cycle in partnership with Sarwanand Chana (Ganpatyar). Subsequently, cycles were provided to Dena Baiji, Somkak and Manakak.

Old Cook – Prakash Ram (PRAKOSH) was a resident of Habhakadal area with nobody around, was associated with BalakRam as a helper or so. Ultimately worked for BalakRam's family at Malayar. In my childhood days he used to be always in the kitchen a couple of steps down

the living rooms (Wot) darkened with Soot / Smoke and leaking eyes. His job was to cook 'Degcha's' of rice and 'Hak' – Monje – Maz (except for Ashtami, Ekadashi, Purnima / Amavas, etc.) daily. Nobody would interfere in his work except when needed. The food service was done by 'Baed – Majj' Sampkuj, the daughter in laws were in turn responsible for Kahwa Chai / Chot / Kulcha, one set of junior ladies would do the cores in the morning and another set in the late afternoon. Prakash Ram died in the house. He was followed by Sudershan etc. cook assisted by the ladies by turn.

Kailasram the household manager would procure meat / cheese / vegetables / breads, etc. every morning. The vegetables would be dressed by the senior ladies for cooking. The food would be ready at 9 am for school / college going and office goers every day.

It was a great experience in a large joint family of around 60-70 members managed together under one roof. Though Baelal and Baetoth would be generally out on posting.

The firsts in the Clan

1. The first one to have graduated from the clan was Baetoth (Nandlal Wanchoo S/o Shankerjoo Wanchoo) (1923) besides the first cricketer and an all-round sportsman of his time.
2. The first one to have gone overseas (by ship) UK (1931) as an employee of Maharaja Hari Singh was Baegash (Shambooo Nath Wanchoo S/o Tarachand Wanchoo).
3. The first Gazetted Officer in the family was Baelal (Jialal Wanchoo S/o Tarachand Wanchoo 1933).
4. The first one to have gone for education to London B.Sc. (Engg) was Bulakak (Prithvi Nath S/o Tarachand Wanchoo 1934).
5. The first automobile car was bought by Bulakak (Prithvi Nath Wanchoo S/o Tarachand Wanchoo 1938).
6. The first one to have done masters in Science from Lucknow University (1940) from the clan was Manakak (Manohar Nath Wanchoo S/o Shankerjoo Wanchoo).
7. The first one to have graduated in Agricultural Science from Agra University was Prannath Wanchoo S/o Nandlal Wanchoo).
8. The first one in the clan to have had interest and proficiency in playing musical instruments Sitar, Harmonium, and Tabla was Manakak (Manoharnath Wanchoo S/o Shankerjoo Wanchoo).
9. The first one to have graduated in medicine was Pitcha (INDRA) daughter of Shambooo Nath Wanchoo from Indore.
10. The first girl from the clan who excelled in studies by virtue of intelligence and effort and graduated in medicine meritoriously has been Gopi (USHA) daughter of Som Nath Wanchoo.
11. The second girl from the clan who was excellent in studies by dint of hard work has been Jimi (Bhavika) daughter of Jatinder Wanchoo S/o Dina Nath Wanchoo.

12. The first male Sire to have married a non-Kashmiri was Mangloo (Dwarika Nath Wanchoo S/o Shamboo Nath).
13. The first daughter of the clan to have married non-Kashmiri were Pyra (Ratna D/o Prithvi Nath Wanchoo) to Opendar Verma, Delhi, and Pitcha (Indra) daughter of Shamboo Nath Wanchoo married L.S. Mehta, Indore.
14. The first one to have joined Indian Army (IAF) was Rajender Wanchoo S/o Jia Lal Wanchoo.
15. The first one to have gone to USA for higher studies from the clan has been Lalit S/o Pran Nath Wanchoo (Jan 1979).
16. The first family in the clan to have acquired residency in USA are Lalit's parents Durga Pran Nath Wanchoo (1989).
17. The first girl Bachelor in Engineering (Pune) 1999 from the clan is Shamita daughter of Kameshwar Wanchoo.
18. The first one from the clan who has authored a book published in 1999-2000 has been Pran Nath Wanchoo S/o Nand Lal Wanchoo. "Horticulture in Himalayas", principle and practices.
- 19 The first one in the clan to have lived beyond 95 years was Benjigri (Devki) wife of Shamboo Nath Wanchoo (Jan 1999) followed by Tulsi wife of Dina Nath Wanchoo (Oct. 2003).

Family Relations Close, Wide, and Vast.

1. **Tikoos Habakadal** – Satram's in-laws none lived after Satram's demise.
2. **Kaul's Babapora** – Balakram's in-laws – Extinct during Balakram's time, some coparceners descendants had shifted to a village in Tehsil Pulwama to live on land in late forties after land reform in Kashmir. I visited them in 1953 while on official tour of the area. May have got dispersed widely.
3. **Bhan's Ludowan** – Satrams daughter was married to Bhan's who bore **two daughters** and a **son**. One daughter was married to Saqi's whose heir was Jagan Nath Saqi (Radio Kashmir) died a bachelor. The **other daughter** was married to Aglar Rainas whos descendant's great grandchildren are settled at Jammu etc.

Son Nath Ram had **two sons Raghonath and Lambodar** – Ragho Nath's only daughter Kamlajee is married to Gurtoo (Razdan) Onkar Nath and are settled with children in Delhi etc. The other son Lambodar's wife Janki is settled after retirement as an education officer with her daughters Raina's Kaws and UK.

Ludowan is located close to Tulamula Shrine and lands owned by our family (Wanchoo's). Bhan's would be a second home. Apart from home made 'Chot' with 'Chai' – 'Hak Bata', Lassi / curds we would enjoy the fruits of sour cherries (Alich), Pears (Tang), Chera (Apricot), Pippins (Trela), Walnuts and fresh Maize Cobs / Pudina, green chillies from home garden of Bhan's besides a vast playfield around their large dwelling house.

4. **Kothdars Shelting** – first in-laws of Baesaeb (Shankerjoo Wanchoo). His wife died issueless - great grand descendents of the family spread over Jammu / Delhi etc.
5. **Bhats Kanikot (Badgam)** first in-laws of Lalesaeb (Tarachand Wanchoo) the family was massacred in 1931 remnant kid Janakinath escaped death and settled at Jammu etc. His wife bore Lalesaeb one daughter and two sons.

6. **Khodabali's (Khodabal)** – 2nd in-laws of Baesaeb (Shankerjoo Wanchoo Mata no. 1 gave birth to a son Nandlal Wanchoo (Boitho). They lived closely to our family house at Malayar as such as children we frequented the Khodabali's. They were a source of Vinegar (Sader Kaenz) and Lassi etc for our family. Many a feasts and stays I have enjoyed. The descendents of Mahanand Joo Khodawali were Dinanath and Satlal. Their progenies are settled at Jammu / Delhi etc.

7. **Trisils Narpirastan** – Second in-laws of Laesaeb (Tarachand Wanchoo) the descendents of Shivnath and Dr. Keshav Nath Trisil are Chuni settled at Jammu and Jawaharlal an officer with HMT Jammu settled at Jammu. Trisil's would provide to our family bag loads of Turnips / Chillies and etc., from their lands each autumn through winter. Participation on weddings and other family functions of Trisil's was a routine delight and I remember staying for weeks on each such occasion when young.

8. **MAMS Drabiyar / Banamohalla** – Third in-laws of Baesaeb (Shanker Joo Wanchoo) – progenies of Raghunath and Niranjana Nath are now settled in Jammu / Delhi / Solan and USA. Brijnath, Autar Kishan Rehbar, Maharaj Kishan, Bhushanlal and Bimla Kachroo, MAMS were simple and gentle and affectionate as a lot, they had very good relationship with and regard for my wife Prana.

9. **Saraf's Fatekhdal** – Gonerded Jiji's in laws, the only Bua upto my time. She passed away probably in my infancy, as I have no recollection of her. The Jiji from Ambadars (second wife of Thatha) was very loving and affectionate. Jialal Saraf was a socialite and had a number of friends amongst respectable Muslims of his time. He was fond of music and get togethers. We would be always there in all functions for days together.

10. **Jinsis Gankhan** – in laws of Jialal Wanchoo. Gouri (Kakni's) brothers Gopinath and Brijlal's children families are settled in Delhi etc. I, remember having been at Jinsi's in my younger days with Kakani on several marriage and other functions.

11. **Jalali's Rainawari** – Vasakaul, Kailas kaul and Sawa Kaul clan, in laws of Nandlal Wanchoo.

Progenies of Keshav Nath Jalali

Mrs Mohanlal Jalali (Rani Bhabi) settled with her younger son and family at Jammu. Nanajee (Arun) settled with family Orissa working with Bhushan industries. Gudi daughter settled Chandigarh.

Kishni settled with son and family at Ludhiana.

Dinanath Jalali's Progeny

Son Bansilal retired Secretary J & K settled with family at Jammu / Delhi with sons Dr. B. K. Jalali and P.K. Jalali a business consultant. Daughter Pratibha settled with family at Baroda.

Daughters – Dulari married S.N. Dhar Retd. XEN settled with son Dr. Krishan and family at Pune. Sheela settled with husband at Faridabad, Subodh son settled with family (MD) USA.

Son Jawaharlal married Raj (Trisil) settled with son and two daughters in MD, CA and PA, (USA).

Amarnath Jalali's Progeny

Son Chunilal Marketing Consultant settled with family at Baroda his son Sanjeev Jalali a Col. In the army married Sweety with children. Daughter Gudi married P.L. Munshi settled Baroda. Pikly married Ajay settled U.S.

Son Ratanlal settled with family at Bhopal – His daughter married a Bengali and settled at Indore – son Anil MBA working consultant at Bhopal.

Son Jawaharlal given in adoption Kaul (Kenus) Retd. Engineer settled Jammu two daughters married and son married Marketing Executive.

Daughter Raj Badam settled with husband at Baroda, her son married and working at Ahmedabad. Two daughters married and settled at Bombay and other an army officer's wife.

Son Capt. Surinder RBI settled with family at Jaipur

Dwarikanath Parimoo/Jalali's Progeny

Son Brig. (Retd.) Yogender Parimoo married Raj (Ganjoo) settled working V.P. Rewa Cements-Daughters, married Col Kaul settled at Bangalore and the other married Kapoor settled Australia.

Son K Parimoo married Bimla (Kaul) working Baroda and settled there, two daughters one married Khars and working Bombay and the other studying and working.

Daughter Dida (Nirmal) married Capt. Rana (Retd.) IA settled at Dwarika Delhi with son Arinaw studying.

Son – Rajinder (Bitujee) married Vasudha working business and settled with son Viraj Prakash at NC (USA).

Ami's (Mothers) Sisters

1. **Son S. P. Dhar** married Shanta – Retired from World Bank living at DLF Gurgaon. Has **two sons and daughter** Gyanander Engg. Consultant married Anjana Company Executive have two daughters. One MBA working ICCI other studying Biotechnology. Daughter Geeta married Shivakant Misra Director IAA. Geeta is Head Biotechnology, IIT, Delhi have two children.

Vijay son married Marlyeen settled San Francisco working Heading a company.

2. P N Kachroo retired Director Arts and Craft Institute, has a son and daughter:

Son Umakant married Chatojee with two children studying. Umakant is a Company Executive, living at Vasant Kunj. Daughter Billy married Sopori with two children studying settled at Faridabad.

3. Babli Sadhu has two sons under training – working in a social service organisation living at Ghaziabad.

12. **Tarewal (Rainas) Haldar Baldar Damodar 'Duke Vere' Zass Nilofer'** clan of Dokan Sangin Fatehkadal, in laws of Baegash (Shambo Nath Wanchoo). The family comprised of three brothers

and two sisters and mother 'REKH'. The brothers were Satlal a Sub Judge of his time, Madholal retired A.S. Police and Motilal a professor. Both the sisters were married to two Wanchoo cousins. First one was married to Nandlal Wanchoo (Baetho) she died issueless and the second Devki (Bengijri) was married to Shamboo Nath Wanchoo (Baegash).

Satlal's progeny – his grand sons are settled at Dehradun and daughter Prabha and Tulsari are settled at Pune and Dehradun.

Madholal's progeny – Son Kulbushan Advisor / Principal Chandigarh, Patiala TTI. Daughters Chunni Dhar and Raj Kaul settled at Jammu.

Motilal's progeny – settled at Pamposh Enclave, Delhi.

13. **Dhar Nawakadal** – Delhi / Australia – Dinanath Wanchoo's in-laws. Amarnath Dhar's progeny settled in Delhi and late Manoharnath at Delhi and Australia.
14. **Tikus Rainawari** – Durga Prasad (Baboo's) in-laws progenies settled Delhi etc.
15. **Kotroo's Fatekadal** – Prithvinath Wanchoo's in-laws, progenies settled at Pune and California.
16. **Bakshi's Sheeliteng** – Som Nath Wanchoo's in laws, progenies settled at Pinjore (Haryana), Jammu/Delhi etc.
17. **Kaul's Dalhasanyar** – Manoharnath Wanchoo's in-laws, progenies settled at Pune / Dehradun / USA / Jammu / Delhi.
18. **Dulloo's Karannagar** – Prannath Wanchoo's in-laws, progenies settled Jammu / Delhi / Australia.
19. **Dwarikanath Wanchoo** (Mangloo's) in-laws – Lucknow.
20. **Kauls Soibag** – Brijlal Wanchoo's in-laws – settled at Jammu / Delhi

21. **Jialal Wanchoo's Samdhis** – Rajender's in-laws – Aimas Karanagar Jammu / Delhi.

22. **Nandlal Wanchoo's Samdhis** –

1. Dulloo's Karannagar / Jammu / Delhi / Australia, son Prannath's in-laws.

2. Mattoo's Hyderpora / Delhi - daughter Chuni's in-laws.

3. Khashoo's Gankhan / Delhi – daughter Durga's in-laws.

4. Kaul's Soibug / Delhi / Jammu – son Brijlal's in-laws.

5. Khashoo's Maharajgang / Sanatnagar / Noida / Jammu grandson Kameshwar's in-laws.

6. Mattoos Srinagar / Jammu / Delhi grandson Vijender's in-laws.

7. Ramanuj Singh Lucknow grandson Lalit in-laws.

8. Sadhu's Alkananda Delhi – great granddaughter Shamita's in-laws.

9. Thusoo's Tankipur / Jammu grandson Anil's in-laws.

10. Miyas Rainawari / Udampur grandson Vinod's in-laws.

23. **Shambo Nath Wanchoo's Samdhi's** –

1. Son Dwarikanath's in-laws Lucknow.

2. Son Poshkarnath's in-laws Sumbli's Srinagar / Delhi.

3. Daughter Pitcha's in-laws Mehta's Indore / MS.

4. Son Vijay's in-laws Kaul's Rainawari / Jammu.

5. Grand daughter's in-laws Verma's Delhi / Agra.

6. Grand daughter's in-laws Srivastav's Delhi / Agra.

7. Grandson Kamals in-laws Kaul's Srinagar / Jammu /

8. Grandson Jaideep's in-laws Hashias Srinagar / Faridabad.

24. **Dinanath Wanchoo's Samdhis** –

1. Daughter Dularis in-laws Kauls Syed Ali Akbar / Jammu / Delhi / Gujrat.

2. Daughter Kanta's in-laws Bakshi's Sathu / Jammu.

3. Daughter Uma's in-laws Zutshi Banamohlla / Panchkula.

4. Daughter Shyma's in-laws Razdan Naisaak / Jammu / Ghaziabad.

5. Son Jatinder's in-laws Beera's Rainawari / Jammu.

6. Daughter Rani's in-laws Kaul Ahlamar / Jammu / Delhi.

7. Granddaughter Jimmi's in-laws Ogra Jammu / Ahmedabad.

25. **Prithvi Nath Wanchoo's Samdhi's** –

1. Daughter Sarla's in-laws Kak's Noida.

2. Daughter Ratna's in-laws Verma's Delhi.

3. Daughter Manorama's in-laws Dua's Panchkula / USA.

4. Daughter Nirmala's in-laws Zutshi's Jammu / USA.

5. Daughter Santosh in-laws Saraf's Srinagar / Delhi.

6. Son Suneet's in-laws Wadwa's Delhi.

26. **Somnath Wanchoo's Samdhi's** –

1. Daughter (Gopi) Usha's in-laws Vermas Delhi / USA.

2. Son Satish's in-laws Doodas, Delhi.

3. Grandson Subhirs in-laws Peshins Dehradun.

27. Manoharnath Wanchoo's Samdhi's –

1. Son Kishanjee's in-laws Rambals Rainawari / Delhi.
2. Son (L) PK's in-laws Rawal's Rainawari / Balgarden Jammu.
3. Daughter Nany (Indu)'s in-laws Kaul's Banamohla / Calcutta / Panchkula.
4. Son Ravinder's in-laws Kauls Rainawari / Jammu.
5. Son Opendar's in-laws Tiku's Banamohla / Faridabad.
6. Granddaughter Geeta's in-laws Tiwaris Kalkajee.
7. Granddaughter Mini's in-laws Bhats Jammu / Ahmedabad.
8. Grandson Vikas's in-laws Tikus Habakadal / Jammu.

Family Purohits –

1. Ram Bayu of Purshyar followed by.
2. Pitamber Zadoo (Kumedan) of Ganpatyar – (Pitamber passed away at Jammu in August 2003)
3. Amar Bayu (Malayar) Pujari Thakurdwara as long as Bai Saib (Shankerjoo) was alive.

Friends / Frequent Visitors and Residents

The friends school and college mates of Baelal, Baetho and Baegash were a large number, but those who lived and studied in a common room (Painted, carved and engraved by Balakram earlier for his royal visitors his living room and later Baelals room) were Balbader Bujoo, Sansarchand Vaza, Tarachand (Swami) H. Master Retd. Shyam Lal Kokroo Retd Asstt Governor, Jialal Mattoo, Retd. ASP, Jialal Darbari Retd ASP. This room has thus a history of having produced college graduates in Balbader Bujoo, Jialal Darbari, Swami Tarachand and Baetho (my father).

Kashyap Bandhu was a frequent visitor and would stay too. He initiated in our family the changeover from 'Pheron' to Sari amongst

Ladies. Except Sampkuj (Ded) every other lady of the house changed over. Ramjoo Bhan of Kralakhud would visit routinely with social and official news and take with him the news of the household.

Dr. Mahdev Razdan was the family doctor until he lived and spent evenings with two brothers Baesaeb and Lalesaeb playing Chess. He passed away while in the company of his chess mates at Wanchoo's.

The properties acquired and owned by descendent families or members in possession / sold in distress or existing unattended.

1. Malayar house existing not attended as all shareholders are out of the valley. Some people are said to have occupied being vacant.
2. Barbarshah house sold in distress.
3. Karannagar house of Prithvi Nath Wanchoo sold in distress.
4. Narsinggarh house of Prannath Wanchoo sold in distress, as also a plot of land at Peerbagh.
5. Somnath Wanchoo owned a plot of land at Indranagar Srinagar or so. His son Satish has a flat in Delhi.
6. Manoharnath Wanchoo's sons have house at Faridabad, flats at Vasant Kunj Faridabad and a house in Hyderabad.
7. Prannath Wanchoo's sons have flats in Vasandara Enclave Delhi and Sector 14, Panchkula (Haryana) and a house in GlennDale (MD) U.S.A. and Gomtingar Lughnow.
8. Jatinder Wanchoo S/o Dinanath Wanchoo has a DDA flat in Delhi.
9. Brijlal Wanchoo S/o of Nandlal Wanchoo has a house in Janipur Jammu.
10. Jialal Wanchoo owned a 32-acre orchard at Chidren Pulwama, which he sold in 1968.

11. Joint property lands and plantations of the family are unattended in Tehsil Ganderbal Kashmir
12. Poshkarnath Wanchoo S/o Shamboonath Wanchoo has a house at Khandwa (M.P.) and his two sons have at Bhopal and Delhi.
13. Prithvi Nath Wanchoo has left a house at Gandhinagar, Jammu.
14. Rajinder son of Jialal Wanchoo has a house at NOIDA.
15. Vijay son of Shambunath Wanchoo has a house in Scotland, England.

Sarparasti Balakram Wanchoo

Radha a remnant widow from Tiku's (in-laws of Satram Wanchoo) alongwith her daughter and two sons was rehabilitated and taken care of by Balakram Wanchoo Babkak. Radha's daughter was married to Ramjoo Trisil of Tankipora (Zaindar Mohalla) by Balakram Wanchoo, who had two daughters and four sons. The elder daughter Batanded was married to Dr. P.N. Khazanchi Sathu / Jammu and the other daughter married to Shashoo's died after marriage. The sons Prithvinath, Somnath, Mohanlal and Brijnath families are settled at Delhi / Jammu etc.

The two sons Kenakak (Keshav Nath) and Bolakak (Bolanath) were married to Lilawati and Danvati respectively. Balakram took care of this family as part of his own and helped settle Kenakak as a clerk in Revenue Deptt. and Bolakak as a jail guard / warder. Kenakak has **three daughters** and **four sons** – Elder **daughter** Mohini was married to Kashinath Kaul Rainawari Mohni died after giving birth to Nany daughter who is married to Munshis. The other **two daughters** Pity and Tity married Peshin and Kaul respectively live with families at Jammu / Delhi.

Sons- Hirdeynath married Prabhavati settled at Jawaharnagar Srinagar. He was a trade unionist and was killed by militants at Srinagar, has a son in business and daughters settled in Jammu etc.

Second Son – Girdharilal a graduate married Pyari (Seru) retired as Accounts Officer – His sons are Engineers married and settled at Srinagar and Chandigarh.

Third Son Bansilal (Bula) Retd. Engineer is married and settled at Jammu. His son is married and settled in VA (USA).

Fourth Son – Tej Kishan is married and retired from TPT. Deptt. (Administration) and is settled at Jammu. He was adopted by Bolakak uncle.

This family of Radha also adopted Wanchoo family name by virtue of Sarparasti of Balakram Wanchoo and his two sons Shankerjoo and Tarachand and living on Wanchoo property. My grand father Shankerjoo transferred the rights of the old house to the two brothers Kenakak and Bolakak in late thirties.