

Dear disciples of swAmi,
there will be already some kind of gain if at least a few of you would be brought forward in their process of awakening. If at least some of you became aware that the allegations of sexual abuse are not a smear campaign against swAmi but with a very high probability are the experiences really made by many female disciples.

I want to co-help with this report about my own experiences to awaken those who still believe the master would be standing above any kind of greed and lust and would never do any such thing.

In the years between 1991 and 1993 when I was a member of the Hamburg group I was one of the masters lovers. I was 22 years old when it started and I was very much fascinated by him. Very quickly I raised him in the position of my God and very easily he let himself being raised to that position. I wanted to be a good disciple. I wished I could show him how real and how deep my devotion is. Some day in Vienna swAmi asked me about my "devotion":

It all started with the questions: "What will you give to me? Will you give me really everything?"

Do these questions ring a bell in you? – yes, you can also read them on the abuse website of the women who accuse swAmi now of having abused them.

In those days I thought it was the romantic question of the master to my individual self. But today I had to learn because of the statements of the other girls, that this was just a standard pattern or ploy of swAmi to get them to satisfy his sexual desires. And who wanted to say "No" in the right moment to such a powerful and otherwise loving master.

Until some short time ago I knew only about a good handful of such women in Vienna and Hamburg who were especially close to swAmi in that way. Each of my special meetings with swAmi happened voluntarily except for the abuse of power between teacher and disciple which at that time I would have denied because of lack of understanding the psychology behind it.

A big part of all disciples of swAmi are living the rapture that by knowing him they know god personally. They are living an incredible absolutism. Now imagine how it may feel if a girl that was also addicted to this absolutism is allowed to make such special experiences with god? It was an undescrivable feeling, it was euphoriant and it just elevated me, it lifted me up. I never saw it as an abuse from my personal side. It was stirring events, a time that shows how naïve I was back then but also a time I would not want to miss. Anyway who has the chance to have such adventures?

Is it not fascinating how deeply brainwashed I was - we were?

The fact that there were more of those "lovers" was an unpleasant experience already back then. Still my conditioning kept me staying and I was sure: "The master knows exactly what he does and I just do not understand it!" Again and again swAmi asked me to keep silence about it and to keep this special mercy as a secret otherwise this guru kripa (blessing of the master) would be lost again. Well, one can understand that...

During the years 1992/93 my doubts were increasing. I could not digest that someone who pretends to be a sannyasin, a monk, and to be self-realised would play those hidden games. I finally left. But i kept some friendship with a few disciples. And to these friends I told my stories about these secret experiences with swAmi in a weak minute in 1995. Only a moment later I regretted already because it caused a lot of fear coming up in me.

The manipulation through swAmi and his disciples was still so strong in me that I thought I will not survive my revelation. I thought now his mighty siddhis (supernatural powers) will be coming or some negative karmas and they will destroy me. And on top these friends to whom I had told it did not support me at all. For some of them I was on the

brink of being mental, some first believed it, then stopped believing me and withdrew from me. They all stayed with swAmi.

After some years I started to visit his seminars again. I could very well separate between his valuable lectures and the mass hysteria going on around him so I would not get caught by it. And – I kept silence, because nobody would have understood and also because I grudged him this handful of (voluntary) women from the depth of my heart.

Since long I had found my inner peace, had looked at and tested many different yoga styles and modern philosophical concepts. I still liked swAmi in spite of it all and I had no idea at all that the extent of his ambiguity was so much bigger than I had thought.

I did not know anything about these abuse websites until the middle of March 2011. Then one Hamburg disciple called me (I am living far away from Hamburg and only came once a year for swAmi seminars). I was so happy to hear him after a long time. He asked if I knew about these terrible things going on and I thought at first he is talking about the nuclear catastrophe in Japan. But then he told me about the allegations of abuse against swAmi and asked me straight out: “You went away from swAmi in those days. Why? Did you also have these experiences with him?” I felt kind of attacked by him being so direct and finally told him the truth.

Today most of my friends remember those talks we had about the topic back in the nineties. Maybe this is so because I got more credibility through the reports and statements of the other women.

I am very glad about their courage and their boldness that helped them to justifiably turn away from him because I know that it feels at first like someone is pulling the rug out from under your feet. They have dedicated a good portion of their life to him and he has disappointed them exorbitantly. At the same time I am very happy that they can think in a much freer way and that their yoga can be more enlightening.

For me it is also interesting how the fellowship in Vienna reacts to these international allegations of abuse.

What I can see is a total lack of will to unveil the things and the lack of being open to really know about it all. Nobody asks questions – all remain silent. For me it does not feel like a silence because of cold unfeelingness. For me it is a silence coming more out of a deep insecurity if it is allowed to have such thoughts about the master. Unfortunately such behavior attracts a coldness or unfeelingness.

All these events allowed me to learn a lot about manipulation, group amnesia and the lower temperaments in the humans during the last days. And a lot about fear and anxieties! I am becoming more and more aware of how dangerous personality cults can really be.

And in this case the disciples are even more dangerous than the master himself. Basically swAmi does not need to do anything. The instilled bondage of the disciples works for him. And the greatest job is being done by the inoculated fear of violating guru vakya (gurus word is the law!) and of bad karmas.

I kindly ask you to integrate my story in your judgement process concerning the allegations against swAmi. Maybe it helps you to see more clearly.

With love – and with the hope that each and everyone (including swAmi) will decide again and again for the true light, the true love and for the peace within him/herself and that this peace may be stronger than all (unfortunately necessary) commotions in the outer world,

Yours

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