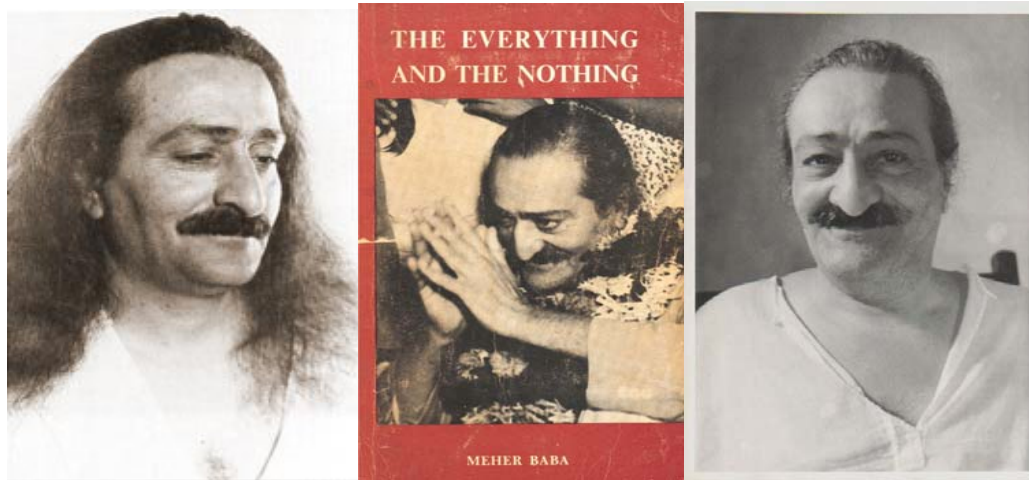


A RAY OF LIGHT ON THE PRESENT PANICKY PROBLEM OF OVERPOPULATION 9



L-R: Avatar Meher Baba 1940's, 1954 & 1967

The Advancing Life Stream- Its Mystery Meaning & Purpose- Compiled from books by Meher Baba,
Published 1970 Pages 144 & 145

“There are **18,000 worlds** in creation which are inhabited, some by human beings with 100% intelligence, others with lesser and varying degrees of it. But the value of our Earth, where mind and heart balance, is inestimable. For it is here, and here alone that one can go through the process of Involution and experience the subtle and mental spheres; here alone that God-realization can be attained. Thus it is that souls (jiv-atmas) from other inhabited worlds finally take birth on this Earth for their emancipation, more so during the Avataric advent when the highest spiritual benefit is gained-and most so when the Avataric manifestation is greatest. Hence the present influx of population on Earth is but the natural outcome of the rush of 'migration' from other worlds, and the ones migrating from the worlds of highest intelligence are responsible for carrying science to the peak it has reached today. Baba said, "All this has been recurring since timeless ages, in a never ending tide and ebb. Even this Earth expends itself in time and another such earth takes its place. **Science will soon come to know a little of what I have said.**”

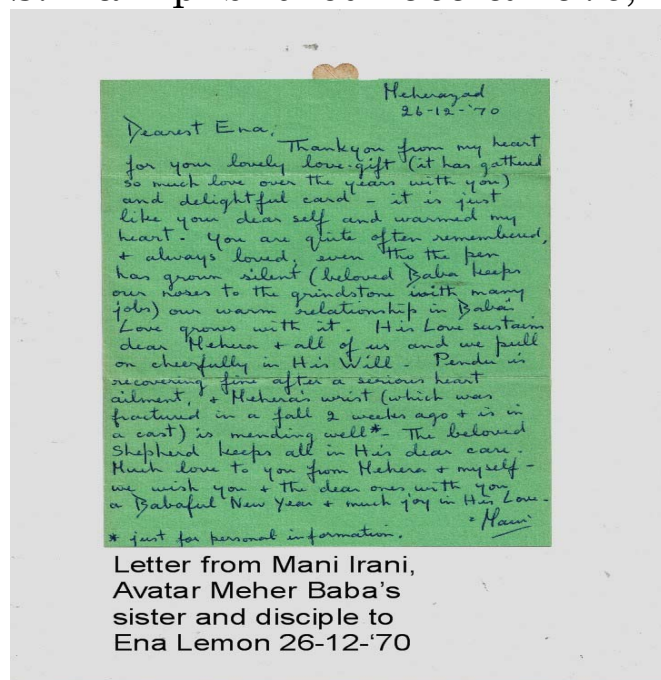
"I will break my Silence and manifest when on the one hand science reaches its highest level and on the other hand anti-God elements rise to their peak. Accordingly, my spiritual Manifestation will also be of the highest. When I break

my Silence the world will be shaken into realization of Who I Am. When I break my Silence the impact will jolt the world out of its spiritual lethargy, and will push open the hearts of all who love Me and are connected with Me. What will happen when I break my Silence, is what has never happened before."

Trust God completely, and He will solve all your difficulties.

-Mcher Baba

9 From FAMILY LETTER by Mani S. Irani, Meherazad, Ahmednagar, India, 1967- see 82 *FAMILY LETTERS* by Mani S. Irani published 1969 & 1976, Letter 53, page 164.



Left: Letter from Mani S. Irani (Avatar Meher Baba's younger sister and disciple to Ena Lemon in Kalista, Melbourne Australia, 26-12-70) - in the author's possession.

BBC Radio News item 20-2-06

BETA CVN binary star system 26 light years from Earth

Astronomer and scientist Dr. Margaret Turnbull working on the SETI program at Carnegie Mellon Institute in Washington D.C. reported that she and her team believe that there are approximately **17,000 possible worlds** that may support carbon-based life currently detectable by terrestrial radio astronomy, the closest of which is BETA CVN 26 light years from Earth. She also said that there are five worlds orbiting five stars that are currently visible the closest of which is BETA CVN which tantalizingly seem to be prime candidates for life with the probable presence of liquid water in habitable zones and analogically potential evolution to human civilizations. **This corresponds to statements given by Avatar Meher Baba at Guruprasad, Poona in India in 1963 to which the above statement attests.** Avatar Meher Baba also said that there were **five worlds** that would cyclically replace planet earth over eons when the Earth is destroyed due to solar or other cosmic events of extinction and exhaustion. Then one of these five supplemental worlds would become the gross sphere where the cosmic drama of evolution and involution of consciousness would then continue. From the Neolithic to hyper-culture times without number. All of this from Avatar Meher Baba years before the utility and use of Radio Astronomy and this uncanny news from Dr. Margaret Turnbull at The Carnegie Institute in Washington 20-2-06.

*Google **BETA CVN & Dr. Margaret Turnbull** or search the **BBC radio site 20-2-06**

Dr. Margaret Turnbull went on to say that of the approximate 400 billion stars currently thought to exist across the cosmos, there are approximately **17,000** planets that could provide the right conditions for earth-like planets to form with the preconditions and existence of evolving life-forms including entities comparable with our state of evolution. She claims that there are **five such stars (suns)** within our Milky Way galaxy. NASA and SETI have been working on their Terrestrial Planet Finder Project for a decade. NASA will build the instrument with a projected launch of the mission into space in 2007.

Further from the same Family Letter quoting Avatar Meher Baba: "I am so infinite that I myself cannot fathom my own infinity. My shadow (Illusion) also is infinite, that once when I tried to count the universes that came out of Me- not galaxies mind you, but innumerable universes-I could not do so. Infinity cannot be fathomed- and, just as there is no end to Reality, so there is no end to Illusion. All of you are addicted to Illusion, just as some are addicted to drink or tobacco etc. But there is no addiction like Maya! You can give up smoking or drinking, but Maya is an addiction that is impossible to give up- unless by God's (My) grace."

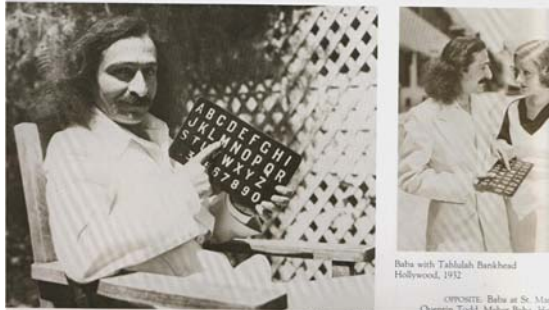
Avatar Meher Baba Kee Jai! - All Glories to the God-Man (Avatar).



Above *Rolling Stone* cover 1970 & L-R Quentin Todd, Meher Baba and Herbert Davy. St. Mark's Square, Venice, Italy, 1932.



Hollywood, California, 1932: Baba at Paramount film studios
© Ad. Jr., Quentin Todd, Meher Baba, Baba's brother Beharam, actress Tallulah Bankhead, Charsi, Kaka



Baba with Tallulah Bankhead
Hollywood, 1932

OPPOSITE: Baba at St. Mark
Quentin Todd, Meher Baba, Har

Above L-R with Quentin Todd, Meher Baba and disciples with Hollywood star, Tallulah Bankhead, Paramount Studios, Hollywood 1932.

Tallulah Bankhead was then on set filming *The Devil and the Deep* with Gary Cooper, Cary Grant and Charles Laughton. She later had a private interview with Meher Baba and became a close one to him. Boris Karloff became a lifelong Baba lover also. Baba was later feted at *Pickfair* by Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford, the world's first real mega-stars of cinema.

“Baba, it is now time to speak and let the world hear, I feel within me that you are something great”, Mahatma Gandhi at Meher Baba's feet in his cabin on the steamship *Rajputana* on a voyage from India to England for the Indian Round Table Conference in 1931 that went on to forge negotiations and the ultimate settlement of the issue of Indian independence, later achieved after WW2 in 1947.

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Top stars picked in alien search

By Paul Rincon

BBC News science reporter, St Louis

A US astronomer has drawn up a shortlist of the stars most likely to harbour intelligent life.

Scientists have been listening out for radio signals from other solar systems in the hope of detecting civilisations other than our own.



Not all of the billions of stars can be examined by scientists

Margaret Turnbull at the Carnegie Institution in Washington DC looked at criteria such as the star's age and the amount of iron in its atmosphere.

Her top candidate was beta CVn, a Sun-like star 26 light-years away.

Dr Turnbull had previously identified about 17,000 stellar systems that she thought could be inhabited.

From these, she has selected five stars that look most likely to support intelligent extraterrestrial life forms - if they exist.

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"I've chosen five to advertise the very best places to move to if we had to, or to point the telescope at," she told the BBC.

Shortlist

Seti, the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence, is an exploratory science that seeks evidence of life in the Universe by looking for some signature of its technology.

Astronomers principally do this by using telescopes to look for radio signals from distant stars.

“ There are bazillions of stars in the sky to look at, but we can't look at every single one ”

Dr Margaret Turnbull

But the scale of the task means that scientists have been looking for ways to narrow down the search.

"There are bazillions of stars in the sky to look at, but we can't look at every single one with the scrutiny that we'd like to," said Dr Turnbull.

"We have been able to prioritise our search so that we are looking at stars that are most like the ones around which we live. We need to know which ones to spend our telescope time on."

Several of the criteria she used were related to age.

For stars to be considered in the shortlist, they had to be at least three billion years old - long enough for planets to form and for complex life to develop.

"Fully formed advanced civilisations don't just spring up overnight. On planet Earth, it took billions of years for civilisation to arise."

Looking for Goldilocks

Candidate stars also had to have at least 50% of the iron content of the Sun.

If the atmosphere of a star is low in iron, it is likely there were not enough heavy metals present early in its existence for planets to form.

Dr Turnbull threw out variable stars prone to lots of flares because they tend to be young.

Stars more than 1.5 times the mass of the Sun do not tend to live long enough to produce so-called "habitable zones".

THE FIVE STARS FACTS

Beta CVn: a Sun-like star 26 light-years away in the constellation Canes Venatici (the hound dogs)

HD 10307: has almost the same mass, temperature and iron content of the Sun

HD 211 415: has about half the metal content of the Sun and is a bit cooler

18 Sco: a near match for the Sun in the constellation Scorpio

51 Pegasus: a Jupiter-like planet has been found here; may also host planets like Earth

This is the area around the star where a planet within the zone can support copious amounts of liquid water on the surface - a key requirement for life.

Put the planet too close and the heat will evaporate the water, put it too far away and any water freezes.

Budget cuts

The Carnegie Institution researcher also removed from her shortlist any stars with a companion.

These companion stars can interfere with the habitable zone.

Astronomers have put together a set of principles - called the Seti principles - that outline what should be done if a signal from an extraterrestrial civilisation is ever detected.

"The scientific community - and the world - is told right away," said Jill Tarter, from the Seti Institute in California.

"Before a decision is made to send a message back everyone will be consulted - that's in the ideal world."

The search for life in other stellar systems has been hit by cuts in the 2007 Nasa budget.

Dr Turnbull announced details of her work at the American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting in St Louis, US.

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