



OIMR Interview

My name is Kojevin Yevgeny. Right now I am sitting peacefully at the [OSHO International Meditation Resort](#) but I have gone through a lot to be able to do so.

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In 2008 I was arrested by the Prosecutor General's Office because of my political affiliation; I was a member of the opposition party of the President of Ukraine, Yulia Tymoshenko.

I was confined in the capital, Kiev, at Lukyanivska Prison. For one month I was kept in the death cells and subjected to mental torture. I was given Christian literature on humility and patience to read, which in myself I rejected. After a month I was transferred to a two-man room, and my cellmate was a former director of a large enterprise. His father, a public advocate, brought him an Osho book printed off the computer and disguised under the papers of criminal cases. He gave me the book, *Death: The Greatest Fiction*, and I took it with me to the interrogation, spending the two-hour drive reading it under cover of my criminal case materials.

I suddenly felt an inner light, my fears were disappearing. During the interrogation I felt easy, nothing was scary, I realized the absurdity of the situation and felt an internal laughter over all that was happening. Suddenly my attitude towards the investigators and the Prosecutor changed.

After that I began to read Osho's books, given to me by my neighbor on the cell. In the six months of prison I read sixty Osho titles.

I began to meditate under the gaze of the security camera. Since there was very little space I could only do Vipassana meditation.

After six months I was released from the prison, and in 2009 the court fully acquitted me.

I had a dream to come to the OSHO International Meditation Resort in India, to understand whether I was doing the meditation correctly, and to find out about more [OSHO Meditations](#). As soon as I had the opportunity I came here. I must say this place is a treasure house of OSHO Meditations, and they are done so systematically, one after another throughout the day; it is a treat for a real meditator.

I was greedy for them, and did as many different meditations as I could. And a miracle happened—maybe it was because of the bombardment of meditations, or the impact of this energy-field, or both—that after a five day meditation marathon I stopped smoking. And I was smoking for thirty-three years! There was a new lightness in me, a kind of purity, and as a result the next day I took [sannyas](#). My new name is Ramakant.

I also participated in some OSHO Meditative Therapy courses through [OSHO Multiversity](#).

My first course was [OSHO No Mind](#), and the second one [OSHO Mystic Rose](#).

The second part of Mystic Rose is shedding tears. Perhaps this is symbolic for me; with tears much of my past can simply flow away. Maybe it is time to let go of everything very deep inside and to be open to new possibilities... a new life.

I am very glad I came here, and I am planning to come in November 2013 with my wife.