

shrI vEnkatEsham laxmIsham aniShtaghna mabhIShtadam chaturmukhEra tanayam shrInivAsam bhajEnisham ||

shrI laxmavakshasE rUxanakha shixita rakshasE svapaxaraxA dIxAya nRuharyaxAyatE nama: ||

|| dAsarendare purandaradAsarayya ||

|| dAsarE gatiyu namage hari dAsarE gatiyu namage ||

Dear Haribhaktas,

Pranams.

On the auspicious occasion of Shri Madhwa Jayanti, Navarati Utsava & Shri Vijaya Dashami, we pray Shri Hari-Vayu-Guru's to bestow their Grace on you & your family and lead you towards Sat-sadhana. We also wish to thank you for your noble contributions towards a great cause.

We hereby publish the **Second News-Letter** covering the progress of the project and activities happening at the Ashrama. This information is current as of October 2007.

Adhyatmic Activities:

1. Shri HNV Dasa's Kurnool visit during chaturmasa of Shri Shri 1008 Shri Satyatma Teertha Swamiji:

During the recent Chaturmasa of Shri Shri 1008 Shri Satyatma Teertha Swamiji at Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh, Shri Hari Narayana Dasa was invited as one of the representatives of Dasa Sahitya to speak on the importance of Nava Vidha Bhakti, focusing mainly on the middle 3 aspects - **Padasevana** (service of His feet). Archana (worship of God), Vandana (Saluations & Adorations to Lord).

Shri Swamiji and the audience were very pleased with the discourse where Shri HNV Dasa emphasized on the importance of Nava Vidha Bhakti as propounded by Acharya Madhwa and Haridasas. As the shastra vakya goes "guru dvArA prasannassan bharatItvAm ramApati:", Shri HNV Dasa concluded his talk by specifically extolling the glory of Guru (Master) in such a way as to infuse devotion towards lotus feet of Guru among the audience, which ultimately leads to Hari Bhakti

It was clearly evident during this Jnana Satra that Shri Satyatma Teertha Swamiji is focused on bridging the gaps among different MaTa's by heartily extending invitations to all the prominent scholars across MaTa's besides haridasa's for their active participation in the Jnana satra.

Shri Swamiji was also glad to learn about the purpose & goal of Shri Purandara Ashrama through Shri HNV Dasa and gave his full blessings for the successful completion of the project.

2. Jnanasatra's at Ashrama:

During the past few months Shri HNV Dasa conducted various small-sized Jnana Satra's at the Ashrama. The Pravachana topics included Suladi's, Ugabhoga's etc of Shri VijayaDasa, Shri Gopala Dasa and other Jnani's. Ashrama plans to conduct such Jnanasatra's on a regular basis.

Construction Activities:

- 1. Completed Tasks:
 - a. Construction of **Go-Shala** (Cow Shelter) that can accommodate close to about 20 cows is completed. The inauguration is scheduled for **Bali-Padya** (10th November, 2007).
 - b. 24 pits have been dug to lay pillars for the construction of the temple.
 - c. Material (Steel, Cement, Sand etc) has been procured for laying 24 pillars and for constructing the base over which the sanctum sanctorum will be built.

2. Other updates:

- a. Construction work was hampered in the last few months due to heavy rains around Ashrama area that also caused breaching of a lake and flooding of adjoining areas. The pits dug for laying pillars were water logged and water had to be pumped out couple of times. Now with rainy season coming to an end, the construction work would soon progress and continue at a brisk pace.
- b. Donations have started coming in for construction of independent cottages.

An appeal:

The Ashrama is in need of another Rs 32 Lakhs, to complete the temple construction, which covers construction of kitchen, storeroom, dining hall, yaga shala & 4 rooms in the ground floor and sanctum sanctorum & office facility in the first floor. The total area of construction is close to 8000 SFt. Hence we urge you to consider this as a 'God Sent Opportunity' and spread the word and help this noble cause.

Shri Purandara Ashrama Web Site Updates:

Shri Vyasa Bhajana Mandali & Shri Vishwa Madhwa Sangha, West Coast Chapter has conducted many Jnana karyas in the recent past. From time to time, they are also conducting quiz on various tatvavada topics for the benefit of sadhakas. We thank them for providing us an opportunity to host the lectures & quiz on Shri Purandara Ashrama site.

Ashrama web site:

http://www.sripurandaraashrama.org

Audio URL:

http://www.sripurandaraashrama.org/Audio.html

Navaratri Special:

http://sripurandaraashrama.org/ShrinivasaKalyana_PravachanaSeries.htm

Guru Bhati Suladi's Special:

Rendered by Kum. Lakshmi, a disciple of Shri HNV Dasa http://sripurandaraashrama.org/audio/suladi_gurukarunya.mp3

Quiz URL:

http://www.sripurandaraashrama.org/quiz.html

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Pray the ALMIGHTY through Gurus & Great Masters to inspire all of us in realizing this TRUTH at the earliest.

Best Regards,

Sri Purandara Vittala Seva Trust.