

## BRAHMA SUTRA CLASS COMMENCED

Brahma Sutra is the culminating text in the traditional Vedantic learning. Having grasped the Bhagavat Gita and major Upanishads (along with Adi Shankaracarya's bhashyam) under the guidance of Guru, study of Brahma Sutra is normally taken up.

Tradition has it that the antevasis (shishyas in any gurukulam) pay their obeisance to their revered guru in a befitting manner whenever the Brahma Sutram study is initiated. At Arsha Vidya Gurukulam, Anaikatti on August 3, 2017 Brahma Sutra Classes commenced for the present batch of students.

Benign blessing of Pujya Swamiji was invoked with the presence of his paduka kept as altar along with the Brahma Sutra books. After the completion of Saraswati puja at Dakshinamurthy temple, Swami Sadatmananda distributed Brahma Sutra books to the students at Guru Thirtha. Led by Acharya students went in a procession from Guru Thirtha to the lecture hall carrying Brahma Sutra book on their head.

At lecture hall Swami Sadatmananda was welcomed with purna kumbha amidst chanting of traditional vedic mantras. In keeping with tradition the class was commenced with the recitation of all ten Santi mantras followed by offering of namaskarams for every stanza of dakshinamurthy stotram.

Swami Sadatmananda explained the importance of prasthanatraya study in the tradition. Study of Bhagavad Gita (Smriti), Upanishads (Sruti) and Brahma Sutra (Nyaya) makes the Vedanta study complete. Brahma Sutra, like a thread, strings all the flowers of Vedanta statements. In keeping up with the tradition established by Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswati, students will study Brahma Sutra with Ratna Prabha tikka.

Swamiji commenced the teaching with Adhyasa Bhasyam. This great day will ever be remembered in the life of long term course students of 2014-17 batch at Anaikatti Gurukulam.

Salutation to the whole guru parampara.

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**Altar**



**SaraswatiPuja**