

## 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations of Arsha Vidya Vardhini Trust



Arsha Vidya Vardhini Trust celebrated its 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, Sowripalayam, Coimbatore on June 24, 2012.

Swami Sudeerananda welcomed the students. He thanked Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswathi whose blessings was instrumental in the formation and functioning of the Trust.

Swamiji said that Sage Veda Vyasa codified the Vedas and had preserved them. He had written many puranas. He had also written Mahabharata, which is the greatest itihasa. The greatest work of Sage Vyasa is Brahma Sutra. This establishes advaita teaching, dismissing all other philosophies. We are all indebted to Sage Vyasa for his contributions.

Education is for building character. Wealth can never give absolute happiness and satisfaction. Karma kanda guides one to become a qualified student. Only a qualified student can gain atma jnana.

“I am a limited being” is the problem. Any amount of karma will only make one bound. Only atma jnana can liberate. The ultimate teaching is all that is here is Iswara.

Swamiji blessed the students to get the requisite qualification and atma jnana. After that Bhagawad Gita Chapter XV was chanted. It was followed by chanting of Guru Astotra Satha Namavalli. Special prayers were offered to Lord Dakshinamurthy. The celebrations ended with Mahaprasada.

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