

**'GNANA BHASKARAM SHIBHIR' UNDER THE
GUIDANCE OF
SHRI SWAMI BRAHMAYOGANANDA
18th to 27th May 2012 - YOGA SHANTHI GURUKULAM**



Shri Swami Brahmayogananda conducted a six day 'Gnana Bhaskaram Shibhir' consisting of 32 classes on '*Dasha Upanishad Saara Sangraha*' at the holy place of Sringeri between 20th and 25th of May 2012. It was a revolution of a kind as 200 students of Yoga Shanthi Gurukulam had travelled from across the world like the US, Dubai, Muscat and many parts of India to attend this uniquely arranged camp by Swamiji.

The Shibhir commenced with an inaugural function comprising a prayer song and a sacred Puja to the Chatur Vedas. For these six days, the 200 students were day and night engrossed in 'Athmeeka Vicharam' at Sri Adi Chunchanagiri Mutt, a serene and scenic place, located on the banks of river Thunga, Sringeri.

The students virtually did not have any connection to the outside world with six class sessions planned every day between 6 AM in the morning to 9 PM in the night. Swamiji's hectic and tightly scheduled classes elaborately covered the 10 principal Upanishads in addition to Kaivalya Upanishad. The students also

enthusiastically participated in daily Group discussion sessions to revise and recap the class room teachings. A surprise quiz contest was organized by students of the Gurukulam covering various subjects of Vedanta and the whole camp was divided into 6 groups.

After concluding the six-day Upanishad camp with a Samarop function, as part of this Shibhir, a special one-day Yatra was arranged to visit Saradambal temple, Rishaya Sringeri temples at Sringeri, Kollur Moogambika, Udipi Krishna and Mangala Devi at Mangalore.

This one-week camp organized by Swamiji was a land mark one in terms of the subject content and will be yet another memorable camp for the students who attended it. The campers had the complete satisfaction of attending all the 11 Upanishads in a single place at a single stretch of six days.

Swamiji, recently concluded his class room series on Bhagavad Gita Saara Sangraha- One Adhyayam in one class session. It is to be noted that this series commenced in October 2011 on Vijayadasami and concluded on June 17th 2012 with a uniquely organized Samarop function. Swamiji conducts weekly regular classes covering Bhagavad Gita Moolam, Bhagavad Gita- Adi Sankara Bhashyam, Rama Gita, Panchadasi and Brihadaranyaka Upanishad in addition to the weekly Gita chanting sessions and Abhishekham and Puja to Sri Medha Dakshinamurthy.

