

National Conference on Re-appreciation of Vedic Studies

Organized by Arsha Vidya Vikas Kendra, Bhubaneswar

Arsha Vidya Vikas Kendra (AVVK), Bhubaneswar organized a two-day National Conference on Vedic Studies on 7th and 8th March 2008, in Hotel Marrion, Bhubaneswar, convened by Swamini Atmaprajananda Saraswati.

1. Twenty-three delegates (Professors, Readers and Lectures) from Delhi, Pune, Osmania, Santiniketan, Madhya Pradesh Universities and local Utkal University and Sri Jagannath Sanskrit Visvavidyalaya presented their learned papers in the four Technical Session spread over two days.
2. Around 25 Brahmacharis (of different age-groups) of local Veda-pathasala chanted portions of Rgveda, Shukla-Yajurveda (Kanva-Sakha), Atharvaveda and Samaveda in the Inaugural Session. On the second day in the Valedictory Session also, another 20 Brahmacharis chanted portions of Shukla-Yajurveda (Madhyandina-Sakha) and Samaveda to the amazement of the Hotel staff and other guests. All the 45 Brahmacharis and their five Vedacaryas were gifted Vastram and Upavastram each by AVVK.
3. Nine Acaryas of the Department of Sanskrit, Utkal University were honoured with Prasastipatram, a Shawl, Paintings from Ramayana, Guru-Dakshina and Floral Bouquet.
4. Best Graduates of the Department of Sanskrit of Utkal University for last years 2006, '07 and '08 were felicitated with Certificate of Distinction and a Cash gift of Rs. 1,000/- each.
5. The students of Swamini/Arsha Vidya Vikas Kendra who had completed short-term courses in Vedanta/Panini/Chanting and Guided Meditation, also received their Certificates on this occasion.

6. Seven Chanting cds of Swamini was formally released by the Chief Guest and were gifted to all the guests.
7. Two Books by Swamini 'Rupasiddhi', a Paninian Grammar Book, and 'Dasasanti' were released and gifted to all the guests.
8. 'Abstract of the Papers' was released by the Chief Guest.
9. 'Arsha Vidya Library' was dedicated to the people (Lokarpanam), especially the students, Professors and research scholars.

The Conference was covered by four TV channels (OTV, E-TV, Kalinga TV and Nakshatra TV), around 40 media persons representing 20 local print-media, and was adequately covered. The external delegates expressed their immense satisfaction over the hospitality rendered, and the Professors and well-wishers promised all kinds of help in making AVVK as a 'Centre of Excellence'.

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The Entrance Gate



Brahmacaris chanting Veda



Swamini felicitating Prof.P K Mishra
with Prasastipatra



Book-Release of
"Rupasiddhi" & "Dasasanti"



Release of seven
Chanting CDs of Swamini



Certificate of Distinction to Best Graduate
of Dept.of Sanskrit of Utkal University



Certificate to a student of
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