

2nd National Conference, 6th – 7th February, 2010

Convened by Arsha Vidya Vikas Kendra, Bhubaneswar
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The 2nd National Conference on 'Mysteries of the Upanisads' was conducted by Arsha Vidya Vikas Kendra, Bhubaneswar on 6th and 7th February, 2010 as scheduled.

1. Mr. Ajit Kumar Tripathy, IAS was the Chief Guest in the Inaugural Session. Dr. Bimalendu Mohanty, former Vice Chancellor of Utkal University of Culture was the Chief Guest for the Valedictory session.
2. Fourteen papers were presented by delegates from University of Delhi, Rabindra Bharati University, Deccan College, Pune, BORI, Pune, Dwarika Sanskrit Academy, Utkal University, Sri Jagannath Sanskrit University and other individual scholars. Swami Muditavadanananda, Swami Aiswaryananda, Swami Brahmaparananda and Swami Bhagavatananda participated from Arsha Vidya tradition.
3. Around thirty Brahmacharis from Sri Lingaraja Vaidika Shikshanushthana, Bhubaneswar chanted portions of Rgveda, Sukla-Yajurveda, Samaveda and Atharvaveda. All the Brahmacharis and three Acaryas were gifted vastram and angavastram.
4. The Swamis were received traditionally and were honoured with Shawl, Paintings from Ramayana, Portrait of Lord Dakshinamurty and Guru Dakshina.
5. Thirteen scholars were honoured with Shawl, Manapatra, Portrait of Lord Dakshinamurty and Gurudakshina.
6. The Swamis chanted Dasasantis, Taittiriya Upanishad, Purushasuktam, Ghanapatha of Ganapati-Atharvasirsa, Aranyaka Ganam (Setusamam), and other popular suktams which were appreciatively listened to by the learned audience.
7. The interphase between the Traditional Scholars and University Professors was appreciated by both the groups. The Professors requested for more such interphase in future.
8. The Activity Report of AVVK for 2008-09 and Pictorial Souvenir of the 2009 National Conference were released during the Conference.
9. The event was extensively covered by the local print and electronic media.

Swamini Atmaprajnananda, the Convener thanked all the delegates and the special guests for their attendance and co-operation in making the Conference a success.

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Swami Muditavadanananda



Swami Aiswaryananda



Swami Brahmaparananda



Swami Bhagwatananda



Brahmacharis chanting portions of the Vedas

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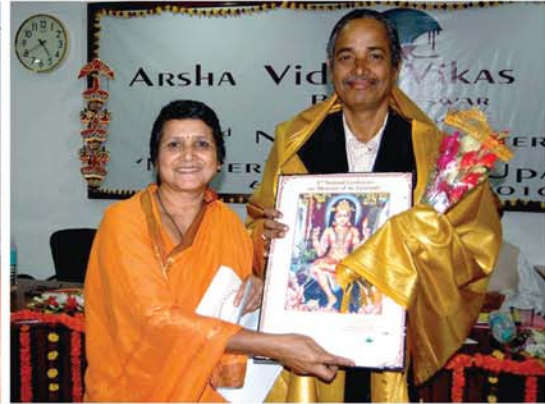
Swamini lighting the Lamp



Swamini addressing the audience



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