

The Fifth Acharya Sabha Meet

The Fifth Acharya Sabha Meet was held from the 6th to the of 8th November, 2012 at Swami Narayan Gurukul Vidya Pratishthanam (SGVP, Ahmedabad).

This meet, though hosted at SGVP, was organized with the help of joint efforts of H.H. Shastri Madhavpriyadasji (SGVP), H.H. Swami Krihsnamaniji (Acharya, Krishna Pranami Sampradaya), H.H. Shri Deviprasadji (Head, Aandabawa Sansthan – Jamnagar), Shri Mahant Shambhunathji (Mahant, Savaiyanath Gaddi) – all member Acharyas from Gujarat.

All Acharyas were offered traditional welcome on arrival and were led to Sabha Hall in procession – Brahmacharis chanting Vedas, students performing Rasgarba and musicians playing traditional welcome gujarati music, led the procession to the meeting venue.

Shastri Sri Madhavpriyadasji inaugurated the meet along with the member Acharyas from Gujarat. Shastri Sri Madhavpriyadasji welcomed all on behalf of SGVP and member Acharyas from Gujarat.

Shastri Sri Madhavpriyadasji said that Gujarat and in particular SGVP is blessed to have all Acharyas here. And today the spiritual pillar has become very well strong. Science, sports and spirituality are the three main pillars of our institution. We have an international boarding English medium school and Sanskrit Mahavidylaya.



PUJYA SWAMIJI'S INNAUGURAL ADDRESS AT THE 5TH ACHARYA SABHA

This sabha is important thing that has happened in the history of Hindu Dharma. Hindu Dharma has survived centuries, millennia – not by any organization, priests, congregation etc. But it has survived all these centuries by Vrুদ্ধha Vyavhar.

The elders have passed the culture to next generation. We embibed the culture from parents. Again, if we want to know more, we go to teachers.

We have the privilege of teaching tradition – guru shishya parampara. Therefore we are able to retain this culture against all onslaughts.

I received a letter from organization hero who wants to revive their native indigenous religious traditions like phaganism and so on. The letter was inviting me to tell a conference to tell people how Hinduism survived against all onslaughts and they could not survive.

We must be having some secrets. They wanted to know the secret. Our secret is our parents, our grandparents, our gurus and jagadgurus. This is our secret. But where there is an organized attempt to destroy this culture, this religion, we need to ocme together and when the state also is joining forces we have no choice we need to be together to save what we don't want, what we can accept.

A lot of things had happened in the constitutions. There was a promise – a very good promise.

“We, the people of India, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a sovereign socialist secular democratic republic. . .”





“to secure to all its citizens: Justice, social, economic and political; Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship; Equality of status and of opportunity; and to promote among them all Fraternity assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the Nation.”

We need to understand a few things.

In the world, there are privileges given to ethnically minority people. They get second privilege. No where in this world except in this country there is religious minority privilege for religious minority. Because of this the common personal law that was promise of constitution is not yet enacted. Promise remains always in the storage. It has not become a reality. The promise is not fulfilled since last 60 years.

This is the consequence of this deficiency – nonfulfilment of this particular promise that is far reaching and we have too many problems because of this.

Common personal laws is something that Acharya Sabha should insist and force govt. To pass this common law. And this is not going to happen unless we have the government which has commitment to the country, to the people, to the culture, to the tradition.

Acharya Sabha has to make resolution after discussions regarding this Common Personal Law.