

## Veda Patashala at Anaikatti

**Pujya Swami Dayananda Sarasvati** has blessed Anaikatti with a Veda Patashala. This is run under the aegis of **SrutiSeva Trust**.

This patashala teaching **Jaiminisaka of Sama Veda** is functioning from April 8, 2013. **Sri Srinivas Dave from Nanded, Maharastra** is the **Acharya**. Here nine students aged from 7 to 17 hailing from Bihar, Maharastra and Madhya Pradesh study. **Smt. Girija Natarajan** is the coordinator for the vedapatashala.

This saka is studied only in Tamil Nadu and Kerala. One branch of this patashala is functioning at **Palakkad, Kerala** with **Sri Sailesh Deshpande** from Latur, Maharastra as Acharya. There six students study Jaiminisaka.

The complete study of this saka will take ten years. **Kanchi Mutt** will conduct three levels of **exams on Veda** for the students at the Veda patashala itself. The fourth and final level of exams will be conducted at Kanchipuram. **The successful students are supported by KanchiSankara Mutt and Tirumala TirupatiDevastanam.**



**BrniMedhaMichika** teaches Sanskrit to enable the students to appear for SamskritaBharati examinations. **Smt. Girija Natarajan** teaches English, Mathematics and Computer applications to the students.



The students **study the Veda from early morning to evening**. They also **attend the daily puja at Lord Dakshinamurti temple**. They have holidays on astami, pradama, amavasa, purnima and chaturti. They go home during the annual holidays of one and half months during summer.

Sri Srinivas Dave expressed his thanks to PujyaSwamiji for his blessings and for providing all the required facilities for the patashala, Acharya and the students.

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