

## Swami Dayananda Saraswati Memorial, Manjakudi



### A Place for Reflection

The 'Swami Dayananda Saraswati Memorial Centre' was inaugurated by Swami Paramarthananda Saraswati on March 19, 2018 at Manjakudi, the birth place of Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswati. Gathered for the auspicious function were revered Swamis and Swaminis from across India, dignitaries and devotees of Pujya Swamiji.

Located at the heart of Swami Dayananda Campus in Manjakudi, Tamil Nadu, the centre has been carefully designed. Spread across an area of 3106 sq ft, it is built of teak wood and has been dressed with sandstone flooring. The exterior brims bright with traditional red oxide floor, solid wooden pillars and a sunken garden area with granite that creates a picturesque welcoming view.

A day before the inaugural function dancer Smt. Revathi Ramachandran, an ardent devotee of Pujya Swamiji gave a scintillating Bharatanatyam performance, 'Guru Vandanam' to show her respect towards her Guru, Swami Dayananda Saraswati. She was accompanied by her daughter Kumari Manaswini.



Swami Paramarthananda Saraswati opened the Memorial Centre and unveiled Pujya Swamiji's photograph. This was followed by a melodious concert by popular singer Smt. Bombay Jayashree Ramnath. Swami Paramarthananda Saraswati, one of the senior disciples of Swami Dayananda Saraswati delivered the inaugural lecture with humour and wit. He shared memories of his association with Pujya Swamiji which had started in 1976. He mentioned how Pujya Swamiji had demolished misconceptions on Ishvara and the mysticism that prevailed about Brahmajnanam and brahma anubhavam during his first introductory lectures to students at Sandeepany Sadanalaya, Mumbai. Other senior swamis, swaminis also spoke on the occasion.

Dipped in quietness, the Memorial Centre is a welcoming destination for Vedanta retreats, lectures, discussions and meetings of AIM for Seva. The centre has an archive of Pujya Swamiji's three-year courses, a library and is a complete aesthetic and spiritual hub.

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## Inauguration day photos

