## Ram Mandir Bhumi-pujan Celebrations

The whole day, 5th August, 2020 was Sri Ramamaya at our Rishikesh ashram. In the morning ekadasha dravya abhishekam was performed to Lord Sri Gangadhareshwara to seek his blessings for successful completion of the temple for Lord Sri Rama at Ayodhya.

Sri Swami Sakshatkritanandaji himself performed the final gangodaka-abhishekam. Puja was also performed to Lord Sri Hanuman around 10 a.m. and vadamala offered to him. All the Swamis were present in offering the salutations to Lord Hanuman on this auspicious day.







In the afternoon bhandara was offered to sadhus along with dakshina. The bhandara was sponsored by Sri Ram Kini and Smt Varuna Kini. All the sadhus wore masks and food was handed over to the sadhus in their vessels in view of the Covid situation.

Ganga Arati was performed in the evening to seek the blessings of Ganga Mayya for construction of the temple without obstacles. It was a grand sight to see the swirling and surging waters of Gangaji.

In the night, lamps were lit in the temple and at the adhishtanam of Paramapujya Sri Swamiji by Sri Swami Suddhanandaji, Sri Swami Sakshatkritanandaji and others after which bhajans in praise of Lord Sri Ram and Lord Sri Anjaneya were sung in the temple by a bhajan group. The entire day was prayerful and very fulfilling.