

## Shraddhanjali - Madurai



Madurai paid shraddhanjali to Pujya Sri Swami Dayananda Saraswati on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at the Thiagaraja College of Engineering, Tirupparankaundram. The event was organised by ArshaParampara, Madurai.

The evening started with the Dayananda Sisters MsS.Darshana and SmtSowmya Jay Ganesh, rendering a few of PujyaSwamiji's compositions. They also presented "Gnanapradayaka", a composition on Pujya Sri Swamiji by SwaminiVidyanandaSaraswati in aaberi, extolling his greatness and his remarkable deeds which touched the hearts of all those who were present. 'Setumstara', one of PujyaSwamiji's favourite Sama Mantras was then rendered by the students of Sri SkandaguruVidyalaya of Thirupparankundram, followed by the students of ArshaParamparachanting the Sri Dayananda-Guruvara-Shatkam composed by SwaminiVidyanandaSaraswati.

Swamini Vidyananda Saraswati spoke about her reminiscences of her Guru.

Karumuthu Sri Kannan, MD of Thiagaraja Mills and Chairman of the Thiagaraja College of Engineering and Thakkar of Arulmigu Sri MeenakshiSundareshwar Temple, paid heart-

felt and glowing tributes to Swamiji, who, he said, shone in the midst of mahapurushas.

Arutchelvar Sri Seetharaman of Viswas Promoters, the legendary builder in Madurai recollected Swamiji inaugurating the ArshaParampara Centre. He shared many more stories, which revealed his admiration, affection, reverence and gratitude for Swamiji.

Dr.Aravind Srinivasan, of Aravind Eye Care hospital impressed the audience with his witty speech filled with precious quotes of Swamiji and saying how as an enlightened soul he carried his soul very lightly.

Sri Arvind Kumar Sankar of LAMPS Trust, who hails from a reputed traditional generous family recounted how Pujya Swamiji had stayed in their home even during his purvashrama days.

The final speaker was Sri Karthikeya Sivam, Acharya of Sri Skandaguru Vidyalaya, Thirupparankundram, whose love, reverence and gratitude for Pujya Swamiji was indeed touching.

The Shraddhanjali came to a close with aarti and pushpanjali to Pujya Swamiji.

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