

## Valedictory Function of Vedanta Course 2016-2019.

The three year course in Vedanta and allied subjects which commenced on Aug 15, 2016 under the tutelage of Swami Santatmananda came to a successful completion on 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019. A puja was performed in the Adhithanam in the morning for Pujya Swamiji.

Though the course went through ups and downs, it was a blessing in disguise for the students to have got exposure to many teachers. One would have ascertained that teachers may vary but the teaching is the same and that proves the tatparya of the sastra in oneness of individual and Isvara. Swami Brahmadevidyananda took classes for more than one and a half years and unfortunately the course missed him in 2018 when Swamiji attained mahasamadhi on Sivaratri Day.



Swami Sakshatkrtananda completed the course taking the Catussutri and Gita 18<sup>th</sup> Chapter. Prior to that, the students could listen to Swamini Vidyananada on Bhagavad Gita bhashya from 8<sup>th</sup> chapter to 17<sup>th</sup> chapter and Taittiriya Upanishad bhashya. Swami Tattvavidananda taught them Mandukya and few other texts. Some of the other teachers who taught included Swamini Brahmalinananda and Swamini Sadvidyananda.

Sri Swami Suddhanandaji gave away the certificates to the students.

Surya, a student, who spoke on the occasion mentioned that he had travelled widely around the globe and he had not come across another ashram like Dayananda Ashram where this teaching is available in purest form and taught freely without any expectation and with love.

Swami Satsvarupananda was also present on the occasion. Swamini Vidyananda addressed them and said that the students should continue to be in touch with the ashram and get guidance whenever they need. Swami Sakshatkrtananda blessed the students and concluded the function with prayer. Vag Devi, one of the students, gave a bhandara to sadhus.



Due to the innumerable requests from various quarters for a new course, it has been decided to begin the next course on Oct 26, 2020 preceded by a one month course from 5<sup>th</sup> Aug to 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep. Detailed announcement will appear in the website of Swami Dayananda Ashram as well as in Jan 20 newsletter.