

SWAMINI VIDYANANDA SARASWATI'S SHODASHI

The Shodashi of Brahmaleena Swamini Vidyananda Saraswati took place on the 16th of January 2023 at Rishikesh. In an elaborate and befitting farewell to Swaminiji, a shodasi was done offering bhiksha to 16 sadhus and sadhvis from our Swami Dayananda Parampara, with a gift of 16 quality items and a dakshina of Rs.16000 (all of which were sponsored by devotees and students). A bhandara was held for 100 sadhus.



All the items meticulously chosen by Sri Swami Sakshatkritananda, were geared for the maximum practical use of the recipients, ranging from a Wildcraft wheeled bag to a multiple plugpoint extension with USB connections! Sri Swami Chidghanananda, Smt Savithri Ramaih, Brni Nandana Chaitanya, Vinay Sharma & family (Kalpana & Sakshi), and the course students generously participated in the sponsorship. The purvashrama members of Swamini came from Chennai/USA and Swamini's mother offered the sadhu bhandara.

The food offered at the shodasi and bhandara came out exceedingly well and relished by all the sadhus, students and devotees. Two sweets, two subjis and a snack were offered besides the normal menu. The occasion was very touching with wholehearted participation of all those who gathered on the occasion. Om Tat Sat.

- Report by Brni Nandana Chaitanya

