

GURU PURNIMA AT ARSHA VIDYA PITHAM, RISHIKESH

Guru Purnima was celebrated at our Rishikesh ashram on 5th July 2020. The morning began with Vigneshwara puja and Vyasa puja performed at the adhishtanam of Pujya Sri Swamiji. Sri Swami Sakshatkrtananda Saraswati, Acharya then began reading the sankalpa for all the donors who had contributed to the ashram, notwithstanding the economic setbacks caused by the pandemic Covid - 19.



This was followed by an elaborate ekadasha dravya abhishekam to Sri Dayanandeshwara by Sri Swami Sakshatkrtananda himself, in the presence of Sri Swami Suddhananda, Sri Swami Satsvarupananda, Sri Swami Aparokshananda, Sri Swami Parabrahmananda, Sri Swami Divyananda, Sri Swami Svasthananda and other Swamis and Swaminis. Abhishekam was followed by elaborate archana and upacharas.

The puja was followed by the chanting of Veda Mantras especially the sama mantra "setumstara" which Pujya Sri Swamiji always liked. Then followed the Dayananda Pancakam and singing of bhajans on Guru. It was a solemn atmosphere that everyone enjoyed. Prasadam was given to the senior Swamis and Sri Swami Sakshatkrtananda blessed the others by personally giving them prasadam.