

## Sannyasa Diiksha

Sri. Ramanathan of AVRPT Chennai was initiated into sannyasa order on 21st July 2021 by Swami Sakshatkrtananda Saraswati. His yogapatta is **Swami Ramesvarananda Saraswati**. Swamiji has listened to Vedanta for decades from Pujya Swamiji. Swamiji will be stationed in Manjakkudi and continue to take care of Arsha Vidya Research and Publication Trust activities and also Jnanapravaha - a facility for Vedanta study at Manjakkudi.



## BRAHMALEEN SWAMINI SIVATMANANDA SARASWATI'S SHODASI

Shodasi of Swamini Sivatmananda Saraswati's (previously P. Sarala Prasad, Hyderabad) Mahasamadhi was performed at Swami Dayananda Ashram, Rishikesh on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. Sixteen Arsha Vidya Acharyas and Sadhus were invited, honoured with 16 gifts and given dakshina. It was befitting to see a good number of Swaminijis be part of the sixteen. A few of Swamini Sivatmanandaji's batchmates from the Rishikesh 3-year course of 2003-2006 were also among the 16 sanyasis invited. The Shodasi Pooja was followed by a bhandara for 100 sadhus. Incidentally this was the first bhandara after the pandemic lockdown where sadhus were served food at the ashram instead of being given food packets. Heartfelt appreciation and thanks go to Swami Suddhanandaji, Swami Sakshatkrtanandaji, Swamini Atmalinanandaji and Swamini Aaptanandaji for guiding Swamini Sivatmanandaji's purvashrama family and students in planning the Shodasi.

