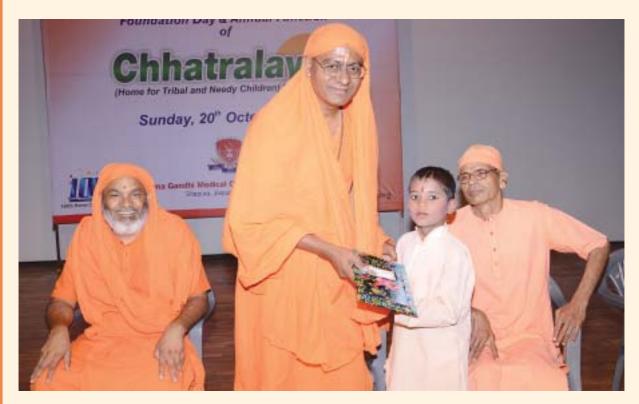
The Annual Function and Foundation Day AVT Jaipur Chhatraalaaya



The "Arsha Vidya Vaarshiki", the annual function and foundation day AVT Jaipur Chhatraalaaya was celebrated in a grand manner on Sunday, October 20, 2013 at Mahatma Gandhi Auditorium, Sitapura, Jaipur.

Swami Sheshadriji kept the audience deeply engrossed with his amazing anchoring! The event was started with Pujya Sri Swamiji's Blessing message sent to Swami Brahmaprananda Saraswatiji! The presence and blessings of many Sadhus was spectacular.

Swami Brahmaparanandaji welcomed the Sadhus. Inaugural Lamp was lit by them with children chanting shlokas.

Addressing the gathering, Swamiji called upon one and all to practise in their daily life, the concept of giving and sharing. He said helping the needy and poor gives immense satisfaction and contentment.

This is the second time the Chhaatraalaya children were exclusively exposed to the public and their skills and training showcased with the help of Sh. Dixitji, Smt. Anuradhaji and Smt. Sumanji of Adarsh Vidya Mandir School!



In an impressive performance applauded by one and all, the youngsters chanted the Ganesha-Pancharatnam to start, followed by praise of the Motherland "mera desh pran se pyara...., danced the culture and valour of Rajasthan - "toote baaju band ". Slokams from Mahishasuramardini were chanted by the boys in praise of Maa Durga and beautiful garbha was performed before Maa Durga fights a fierce battle with Demon Mahish and kills him.

Chhatralaya's care taker, Jagdish Master's daughter Meera, who is studying in Jaipur, did a spectacular performance as Maa Durga. They presented a Sanskrit script on "Sri Shankaracharya and his upadesha" followed by a Brajlok Nritya-too tedha, teri tedhi re nazariyaa..(a Cowherd girl teasing the Lord of the Universe). They sang melodious bhajan " Main to japun sada tera naam", led by Gulab.

The audience was spell-bound when they performed Yogasanas with flexibility and chanted "Samvada Suktam" sending the message of purity, warmth, knowledge and dispassion.

Children were given special prizes for their brilliant performances in academics, sports, and other extra-curricular activities . Anish Raheja did a special ten minutes video presentation about day to day activities of children in Chhatraalaya and how Swamiji has helped transform the lives of these tribal children with his priceless efforts! The vision of Pujya Swamiji was conveyed in a unique way.

Swami Aishwaryanandaji from Indore Ashram gave aashirvachanam. Dr. M.L. Swarnakar proposed vote of thanks

The function concluded it with Swasti mantraas. Everyone partook of a sumptuous prasadam at the Chhaatraalaya and proceeded with lingering sweet memories. A visit to the Chhatraalaya is bound to elevate one's soul besides inspiration to the young minds!