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## **SRI VYASARAJA TIRTHARU**

(1478 - 1539)

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Sri Vyasaraja was born in a village Bannur near Mysore in 1460. He was 6th (last) child to his parents. His Poorva-Ashrama name was Yatiraja. He was born by the special grace of Abbur Sri Brahmanya Tirtha. (Abbur is near Chenna-patna in Karnataka.) His Upanayana was performed in his 5th year. As already agreed, the parents gave the child Yatiraja to Sri Brahmanya Tirtha. Sri Swamiji was pleased with this child's excellent intelligence, Guru Bhakti and Vairagya and was convinced that the child was born for propagating Madhwa Shastra.

But Yatiraja was playful due to his age. He could not adjust himself to the Mutt's rules and regulations. One day he left the Mutt without anybody's notice. He walked long distance, got tired and slept under a tree. He had a divine dream. The Lord appeared in his dream and advised him:- "Yatiraja, you will have good fortune in your life. Go back to the Mutt without any worry. Sri Brahmanya Tirtha will receive you with great affection". He woke up from the sleep and returned to the Mutt with great enthusiasm. Sri Swamiji welcomed him with loving words and accepted the child Yatiraja with smiling face.

## **SANYASA ASHRAMA**

After a few months, Sri Swamiji initiated Yatiraja into Sanyasa Ashrama at the age of 16. He was named “Sri Vyasa Tirtha” in the Sanyasa Peeta.

## **STUDY IN KANCHIPURAM**

Sri Brahmanya Tirtha was then very old and after a very few years he entered Brindavana in Abbur. In those days, (in 15th century), Kanchipuram was one of the great education centres in South India. Sri Vyasa Tirtha studied Advaita, Visishta-dwaita, Bhaatta systems of schools in Kanchipuram, direct under the respective Pandits. In those days, Kanchi was a famous centre, where all the Top - Scholars in various shastras could be found in one place. That was the reason why Vyasaraja came to Kanchi from Karnataka. These studies helped and benefitted him in later years while writing great works like “Vyasa-Traya”.

## **VYASA-YOGI-CHARITAM**

We get all these and further details of Sri Vyasa Tirtha in the book called “Vyasa-yogi-charitam”, written by Somanatha Kavi. Somanatha Kavi was an Advaita Pandit and contemporary of Sri Vyasa Tirtha. He admired Sri Vyasa Tirtha’s greatness.

## **STUDY IN MULUBAGAL**

After studying all the above said schools of systems in Kanchipuram, Sri Vyasa Tirtha came to Mulubagal (in Karnataka) and learnt all the Madhwa Shastras under Sri Sripadaraja Swamiji. Sri Vyasa Tirtha was then 25 or 26. Mulubagal was also an education centre. Thus Sri Brahmanya Tirtha was Ashrama-Guru and Sripadaraja was the Vidya Guru to Sri Vyasaraja.

### ADMIRED BY AN ADVAITA PANDIT

Pandits from different far off places used to come to Mulubagal. A North Indian Pandit, "*Paksha-dara-mishra*" who was well versed in Tarka Shastra came to Mulubagal. He was an elderly person. He had conversation with the young Sri Vyasa Tirtha on Tarka Shastra. He was very much delighted to see Sri Vyasa Tirtha's in-depth knowledge in Tarka Shastra. in such a young age. The discussion continued next day also.

In Tarka Shastra, "Navya-Nyaya" is a new approach. It is very difficult. Sri Vyasa Tirtha clearly debated the intricacies of this approach. Paksha-dara-mishra enjoyed the scholarly interaction with Sri Vyasa Tirtha. He was over joyed when Sri Vyasa Tirtha playfully disclosed a few subtle points which Pandits keep very secret.

Sri Vyasa Tirtha went to the extent that he told Paksha-dara-mishra that he had a few more super secrets, than what he had disclosed already. On this, Paksha-dara-mishra could no more control his joy. He praised Sri Vyasa Tirtha in these words. This is popular among pandits even today.

यद् अधीतं तद् अधीतं, यद् अनधीतं तदपि अधीतम् ।  
पक्षधर-विपक्षो नावेक्षि विना नवीन व्यासेन ॥

"Whatever I learnt, Sri Vyasa Tirtha has learnt. Whatever I did not learn, Sri Vyasa Tirtha has learnt that also. I have never seen a Prati-vaadi like this, who is like a modern Vyasa (Vedavyasa)."

### POOJA AT TIRUMALA TEMPLE

When Sri Vyasa Tirtha was in Mulubagal, the

Chandra-giri King Salva Narasimha (in Vijayanagara Samrajya) needed the help of Sri Sripadaraja. Sri Sripadaraja sent his sishya Sri Vyasa Tirtha to help the King Salva Narasimha. Mulubagal and Chandra-giri were neighbour Kingdom in those days.

Once during the period of King Salva Narasimhan, there was nobody in the Archaka families for doing Pooja at Tirumala Temple in Tirupati. Only a small boy was there. The boy had to learn all the Pooja, Utsava procedures based on Vaikhaanasa Agama. The King requested Sri Vyasa Tirtha to help for the Pooja. Sri Swamiji accepted this request and performed Pooja to the Lord Sri Venkateswara for 12 years (1486 - 1498). After the boy attained proper age and got familiar with the Pooja procedures, Sri Vyasa Tirtha handed over the responsibility to him. As a gesture of Sri Vyasa Tirtha's timely service, the Swamijis of Sri Vyasaraja Mutt have special privileges at Tirumala temple even today.

### **RAJA GURU IN VIJAYANAGARA SAMRAJYA**

After the period of the King Salva Narasimha, his successors too were in need of Sri Vyasa Tirtha. Such was the help of Sri Swamiji to the Kingdom. Sri Swamiji was considered as a Raja Guru in Vijayanagara Samrajya.

### **VEERA-NARASIMHA PERIOD (1498 - 1509)**

King Veera-Narasimha succeeded Salva Narasimha. The former had some troubles and worries. He sought the help of Sri Vyasa Tirtha to solve his problems. Sri Swamiji, for the welfare of the people and of the King, installed Sri Hanuman

idols all over the kingdom in various places of the Kingdom. He installed 732 idols and arranged for proper Pooja in all the places. At first, he installed “Yantro-ddaraka Hanuman” at Hampi (important centre in Vijayanagara Kingdom) and composed the most powerful **“Yantro-ddaraka Hanumad Stotra”**.

The famous “Vyasa-Traya” (*Tatparya Chandrika*, *Nyaya-mruta*, *Tarka Taandava*) were also written during this period, says Dr. B.N.K. Sharma.

### **KRISHNA-DEVARAYA PERIOD (1509 - 1530)**

After Veera-Narasimha, the famous King Krishnadevaraya adorned the throne of Vijayanagara Kingdom. His period:- 21 years (1509 to 1530). As per the Jyotisha Shastra, the King Krishnadevaraya had to face Kuhu Yoga. When the planets join in a certain combination on a particular day, such a conjunction is called “Kuhu Yoga” which indicated danger to the King. At that critical time, Sri Vyasa Tirtha by his spiritual Power, saved the King’s life.

Sri Swamiji himself occupied the Throne during the said Kuhu-Yoga hour. The predicted danger did appear in the form of a serpent approaching towards the throne. Sri Swamiji rolled up his hand-vastra like a ball, and threw it in front of the serpent to bite. As the reptile bit the ball it caught fire and the serpent disappeared from the scene. The Kuhu-Yoga period was over by this time and Sri Vyasa Tirtha vacated the throne and asked the King to resume his Royal duties without fear any more. From then onwards, Swamiji became “Sri Vyasa-Raja Tirtha”.





Sri Vyasa Thirtha in Darbar.  
The king Krishna-deva-raya stands by his side

The king's period : 1509-1530

## GIFTS TO SRI VYASARAJA

The King Krishnadevaraya gifted villages in various places to Sri Vyasaraja. These are ascribed in stone slabs. They were also published in Govt. Epigraphical Report. Among them, here is a record. In 1524, a house in the North side of Swami Pushkarini Tank at Tirumala North Maada Street. Another house in North Street near Govindaraja Swami Temple at down Tirupati. These two houses were gifted to Sri Vyasaraja. (Ref: The Report on the Inscriptions of TTD Published in 1998 – Page 207.) There are some more details in this report.

## SRI VYASARAJA'S WORKS

There are 8 Granthas by Sri Vyasaraja. Another version – 9 Granthas. The 9th Grantha is “Sattarka-Vilasa” which is not yet published, says Dr. B.N.K. Sharma (Page 297.)

*The famous Vyasa-Traya:-*

- 1) Tatparya Chandrika, 2) Nyaya-mruta
- 3) Tarka-taandava “Mandaara Manjari” Tippanis for Acharya Madhwa's Khandana Traya and Tatwa-Viveka.
- 4) Maayaavaada Khandana Mandaara Manjari
- 5) Upadhi Khandana Mandaara Manjari
- 6) Mithya-twanu-maana Khandana Mandaara Manjari

7) Tatwa-Viveka Mandaara Manjari And

8) Bhedoj-jivana

Sri Vyasaraaja has also composed a “Grantha Maalika Stotra” where he has listed out the 37 Granthas of Sri Madhwacharya. Apart from this, there is one famous sloka “Prameya-nava-maalika” where Sri Vyasaraaja listed the important 9 Prameyas of Dwaita Siddhanta.

श्रीमन् मध्वमते, (1) हरिः परतरः, (2) सत्यं जगत् तत्त्वतो,  
(3) भेदो जीव-गणाः, (4) हरेः अनुचराः, (5) नीचोच्च भावं-गताः ।

(6) मुक्तिर्नैज-सुखानु-भूतिः, (7) अमला भक्तिश्च तत्साधनम्,  
(8) हि अक्षादि त्रितयं प्रमाणं, (9) अखिल-आम्ना-यैक वेद्यो  
हरिः ॥

### KANNADA DEVARANAMAS

*(Vyasa Koota and Dasa Koota)*

Sri Vyasaraaja’s Devaranamas are famous. Mudrika is Krishna (Sri Krishna). Vyasa Koota means those who are well versed in Sanskrit and Vedanta Granthas. Dasa Koota means those who are well versed in Kannada Haridasa Sahitya. Sri Vyasaraaja was a typical Guru in both Vyasa Koota and Dasa Koota. In our society, there are great pandits, elders who are very proficient in both Vedanta Granthas and Devaranamas.

Sri Vyasaraaja's mother tongue was Kannada. The common people's mother tongue is Kannada. Sri Vyasaraaja spread Madhwacharya's Upadesha in the form of excellent Devaranamas in Kannada to reach common people. The Sangeetha Pitamaha Sri Purandara Dasa became the Sishya of Sri Vyasaraaja. Later, Sri Kanaka Dasa (in 16th Century) became his Sishya.



### ENTERED BRINDAVANA

Sri Vyasaraaja entered Brindavana at Nava Brindavana, near Hampi, in Karnataka on Palguna Krishna Chaturthi in 1539 A.D.,

### PRAYER SLOKA

अर्थि-कल्पित कल्पोऽयं,

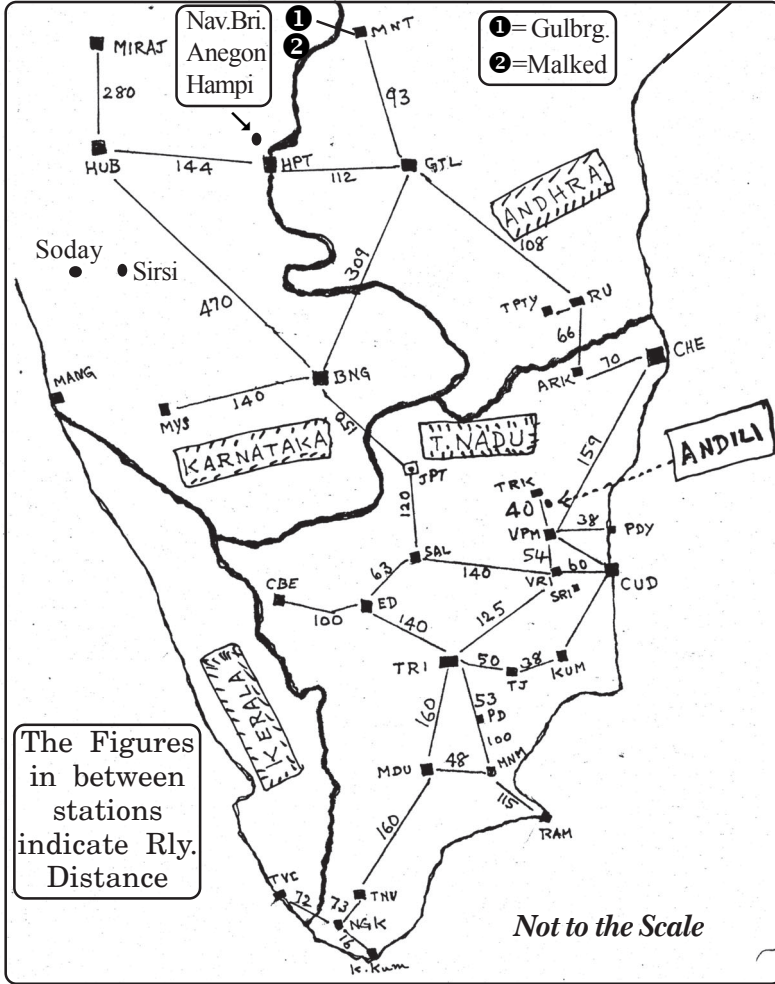
प्रत्यर्थि-गज-केसरी ।

व्यासतीर्थ गुरु-भूयात् अस्मद् इष्टार्थ सिद्धये ॥

Sri Vyasaraaja is a Kalpa-Vriksha to his devotees. He was a lion to the elephants-like opponents in Vaada-Prativaada. Let Sri Vyasaraaja fulfill my heart's desires.

“Yantro-d-dharaka Hanumad Stotram” is a most powerful stotra composed by Sri Vyasaraaja. This stotra is very small. It consists of only 8 slokas, out of which 5 are main stotra, remaining 3 are phala-shruti.

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## NOTABLE DATES

**April 2015, Manmatha Year**

Chaitra & Vaisakha

Upto 4-4-15 Chaitra Sukla Paksha.

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**5-4-15 to 18 - 4 - 15 Chaitra Kri.Pa. Vasanth Rutu**

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14-04-15	Tue	Tamil New Year day Mesha Sankramana Parva Kaala Tarpana after 9.04 am
15-04-15	Wed	Ekadasi
16-04-15	Thu	Alpa-Dwadasi. Paarana before 7.35
18-04-15	Sat	Amavasya Tarpanam

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**19-4-15 to 4-5-15 Vaisaka Suk. Pa. Vasanth Rutu**

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21-04-15	Tue	Akshaya Tritheeya Sarva Pitru Tarp. Jala-Paatra-Dana Parasurama Jayanthi
25-04-15	Sat	Ganga Utpatti day, Ganga Puja
26-04-15	Sun	Pushya-Arka-Yoga. Day for Guru Stotra & Japa.
28-04-15	Tue	Vai Shud. Dasami. Srinivasa Kalyana Day
29-04-15	Wed	Ekadasi Upa.
30-04-15	Thu	Dwadasi Harivaasara. Ramaa-Naivedyam after 7.55am
01-05-15	Fri	Vedavyasa Jayanti
02-05-15	Sat	Sri Narasimha Jayanti

## VAISHAKHA SNANA

4-4-2015 to 4-5-2015

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Starting from Chaitra Maasa Pournami to Vaishakha Maasa Pournami, on all the days, early morning Snana with Sankalpa is 'Vaishakha Parvakaala Snana'. It paves the way for strength in the body, good looking (Roopa), fame (Yasha:), noble thoughts (Dharma Chintana), enlightened knowledge (Jnana), long life, happiness, courage (Mano Dhairya), and health

बलं रूपं, यशो, धर्मं, ज्ञानं, आयुः, सुखं, धृतिम् ।  
आरोग्यं परं आप्नोति, संयक्, स्नानेन मानवः ॥

If unable to do Snana on all 30 days, do it atleast on last 3 days (Vaishakha Shukla Trayodasi, Chaturdasi, Pournami) and the benefits will be proportionate.

### SNANA

After Sankalpa, chant these slokas

वैशाखं सकलं मासं, मेष संक्रमणे रवेः ।  
प्रातः स-नियमः स्नास्ये, प्रीतोऽस्तु मधुसूदनः ॥  
मधु-हन्तुः प्रसादेन, ब्राह्मणानां अनुग्रहात् ।  
निर्विघ्नमस्तु मे पुण्यं वैशाख-स्नानं अन्वहम् ॥

*And give 3 Arghyas through both hands.*

विष्णवे नमः इदं अर्घ्यं *Vishnave Nama: Idam Arghyam*  
सूर्याय नमः इदं अर्घ्यं *Sooryaya Nama: Idam Arghyam*  
गङ्गायै नमः इदं अर्घ्यं *Gangayai Nama: Idam Arghyam*

## MESHA SANKRAMANA

*14-4-2015 (Tuesday)*

On Chaitra-Krishna-Dasami, Soorya enters Mesha Raasi from Meena Rasi – Mesha Sankramana Vishu Punya Kaala after 9.04 A.M. Early morning Snana, Sandhya, Puja and then Tarpana.

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## MAASA GOWRI VRATA

*23-3-2015 to 21-4-2015*

This Puja is performed daily, starting from Chaitra Shuddha Triteeya till Akshaya Triteeya day. Pooja to either 1. Arisina Gowiri, or to 2. Ganga-Thaali in the house, or Annapoorani. Devara deepa is important as also Devara namas or Stotras. Arisina, Kumkuma, Gandha, Pushpa alankara, Gajavastra, Archana, Dhoopa, Deepa, Naivedya, and then Aarathi. Prarthana. Offer Mantrakshata. Namaskara.

In Chaitra – Vaishaka months, whenever possible, perform naivedya of chitranna, curd-rice, paanaka, buttermilk, kosambari, fruits, thamboola, dakshina with thulasi. On other days, naivedya of sugar candy, or Draaksha, or jaggary powder or sugar. Or even a cup of water is enough. Think of all the items and do samarpana inwardly. That will give you ‘Manas Tripti’

Whenever possible, daana and ‘udi-thumbadu’ to Sumangalis either in the morning or evening. Offer Namasakara and receive Aashirvada from them. **Daana items:** Turmeric powder box, kumkuma box, powder box, comb, mirror, bangles, Exe-tex, pushpa,



fruits, thamboola, dakshina, if possible blouse bit. This is for Deerga Daampatya Sukha in the house. This can be done atleast on Akshaya Triteeya day and complete the Maasa Gowri Vrata. Visarjana of Arisina Gowri on the next day.

## BECOME UTTAMA - STREE

Watering Tulasi plant daily without fail, lighting Devara Deepa, arisina kumkuma-puja to Thulasi, one sugar candy naivedya, pradakshina, namaskara. Prokshana of water taken from the bottom of Thulasi. This is Ganga Snana.

Offer a few uddarini of water to Thulasi leaves and take that water as Nirmalya Tirtha. One who leads life with this inner awareness, controlling anger, she elevates herself inwardly. Her Aashirvada becomes true as also her curse. In this sense, she is 'Uttama Stree'. You cant see even a trace of EGO in her. She commands respect by her very appearance. She stands a figure, worthy for worship and Namaskara.

## PAANAKA PUJA

One day Paanaka Puja can be arranged any day from Yugadi day till Vaishakha Amavasa, except Ekadashi. Dashami, Dwadashi, Pournami, Amavasa, or your Janma Nakshatra days are any other appropriate days for Paanaka Puja.

Paanaka Puja belongs to daana category. After 4.00 pm in the evening, this Puja should be done with 'Madi'. Mostly the food items will not be 'boiled-items' (i.e. will not be '*Musare*' in kannada). Cooked

items like Hunise hannu avalakki, Rava uppuma, Rava kesari, Mosaru avalakki, Arulu-sandige, Akki happala, Akki pennee, Rava-laddige, kosambari, Other important items – fruits like Mango, Jack fruit, tender coconut, paanaka, butter-milk, cool water, Palmira fans, gandha, pushpa, banana, thamboola, dakshina with thulasi.

After naivedya of all these items with Madi at 3.30 pm in the evening, Samarpana to Brahmana – Suvasinis. Paanka Puja is a must if someone in the house had passed away, earlier during the year.

### SANKALPA

मम पितुः (मातुः)Name....., .....

गोत्रस्य, शर्मणः (or अम्मदायाः)

पुण्यलोक अवाप्ति अर्थ, भा....र. मु. तर्गत वैशाख  
मधुसूदन प्रीत्यर्थ, सो-पस्कर, गुडोदक पूजां करिष्ये ।

*Sankalpa first, Then naivedya and then samarpana to invitees.*

*After giving Gandha, Teertha, Thamboola, Dakshina, Pushpa, Palmira fans to all, offer Teertha in their hands. Then with folded hands,*

पितृ (मातृ) अन्तर्गत, भा...र...मु.... तर्गत, वैशाख  
मधुसूदनः प्रीयताम्, सुप्रीतो ..... रमा रमण गोविन्दा

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## VAISHAKA MAASA DHARMA

19-4-2015 to 18-5-2015

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### DAILY ASHWATTA PRADAKSHINA

Watering Thulasi plant and Ashwatta Tree brings happiness to the entire Kula. (Nirnaya Sindhu page 70).

Other Shastras also glorify Ashwatta Vriksha pradakshina before 7 a.m. during Vaishaka month. Desire are fulfilled. Chant Purusha Sookta / Stotras and ladies can sing Devaranamas, etc. in low voice during Pradakshina, and can chant this sloka also.

मूलतो ब्रह्म रूपाय, मध्यतो विष्णु रूपिणे ।  
अग्रतः शिव रूपाय, वृक्ष-राजाय ते नमः ॥

In Vaishakha month, (1) Snana with Sankalpa (2) watering the plants and then (3) Pradakshina to the tree, --- all these will please Devatas and Pitrus. Our thoughts will flow on the Dharmic path.

### THULASI ARCHANA

In Vaishakha month, perform Archana to Lord in the house with Krishna Thulasi (Black Thulasi) / White Thulasi. The Lord is pleased so much that He gives Himself.

तुलसी कृष्ण-गौराख्या, तया अभ्यर्च्य मधु-द्विषम् ।  
विशेषेण तु वैशाखे, नरो नारायणो भवेत् ॥ (नि.सिं. p.70).

### GOOD TIMES: How It Comes ?

Our sufferings are due to our own past bad karmas. To mitigate their bad effects, Shastras ask us to sincerely observe Vratas like Ekadasi, other Vratas / Danas / and Sevas in the Mutts / Temples during Vaishakha Maasa.

#### DEVARA PUJA

**Vaishaka Maasa Dharma:** Daily Saligrama Puja, Thulasi Pushpa Archana, Naivedya of Paanaka, Buttermilk, Tender Coconut Water, Mango, other fruits. Perform Gandho-daka Abhisheka using quality Kumkuma-Kesara, cardamom and pachchakarpura along with Thulasi Kaashta. Experience the inner pleasure while you perform this. Maha phala waits for the doers.

#### VAYU DEVARA PUJA

Specially prepared Gandho-daka Abhisheka to Vayu – Pratima, chanting Vayu-Stuti in Vaishakha is considered to yield Sheegra-Phala. If possible, Abhisheka with pure cow-milk on some days, pure honey on some days also very beneficial.

It is 'Mangala' to the family. Pitrus will be pleased by our Daana of paanaka after naivedya. Similarly Daanas of Umbrella, Chappal, good quality dhoti, saree, etc. Even cool Pot-water can be offered to as many numbers as possible during Chaitra and Vaishakha.

प्रपेयं सर्व सामान्याः, भूतेभ्यः प्रति-पादिता ।

अस्याः प्रदानात् पितरः, तृप्यन्तु अखिल देवताः ॥

‘Pra-paa daana’ means putting up temporary Pandal for supplying plenty of butter milk, cool water in Vasantha Kaala; not only to human beings, but also to the cows, buffalos, goats, birds, etc animals. (*Sarva bhootebhya:*) Dharma Shastra says to give water to all kinds of animals too. Sankalpa can be made on Yugadi day that ‘I will do this till Vaishaka Amavasya’ (2 months). If this is not possible, daily give drinking water to animals. If possible, bathe the cow, and experience the joy of it.

### UDA-KUMBHA DAANA

Udakumbha Daana means giving drinking water along with vessel. Daana Mantra:- (*Dharma Sindhu page 42*)

एष धर्म-घटो दत्तो ब्रह्म-विष्णु शिवात्मकः ।

अस्य प्रदानात् सकला मम सन्तु मनोरथाः ॥

Chant the above sloka and give daana with Thulasi and Dakshina. If a pot of drinking water alone (without vessel) is given daily for 2 months, it is also Udakumbha daana.

### TILA DAANA, TILA HOMA

Tila homa brings ‘maha phala’ in Vaishaka month. From Vaishakha Shukla Pournami to Jyeshtha Shukla Dasami – one day Tila homa, Tila daana along with vessel, Tila-Taila-deepa-daana, Tila Tarpana on Akshaya Triteeya day – all these bring good results in various ways. Daana of both Tila and Honey is

'Maha Visesha'. See the Daana Chandrika Vaakya page 16.

वैशाख्यां पौर्णमास्यां वा तिलान् क्षौद्र समन्वितान् ।  
 यः प्रयच्छेत् द्विजातिभ्यः, सर्व पापैः प्रमुच्यते ॥  
 (Kshowdra = honey)

### TILA DAANA MANTRA

तिला वै सोम दैवत्याः, सुरैः सृष्टास्तु गोसवे ।  
 स्वर्ग-प्रदाः स्वतन्त्राश्च ते मां रक्षन्तु नित्यशः ॥

### TILA HOMA

(Dharma Sindhu page 43) Sri Lakshmi Narasimha puja in Kalasa. Homa Mantra: Pradat Vishnu: ..... Or Idam Vishnur .....

तिला वै सोम दैवत्याः, सुरैः सृष्टास्तु गोसवे ।  
 स्वर्ग-प्रदाः स्वतन्त्राश्च ते मां रक्षन्तु नित्यशः ॥

108 (or) 28 times. To get 'Poorna Phala' of homa, these are the daanas: Chappal, Umbrella, pot, bed, palmira hand-fan, Tila with Tila-paatra, honey (whichever possible)

### PARVA KAALA DAYS FOR DAANAS

1. Guru and Angaaraka in Simha Raasi,  
 2. Soorya in Mesh, 3. Vaishaka Shukla Dwadashi,  
 4. Hastha Nakshaktra – if all these combine or any of these combines on a day – if daana is given on that day, ordinary man becomes a King, diseases will go away. (Nirnaya Sindhu page 74)

Even 'Smrityartha-saagara:' स्मृत्यर्थसागरः asserts the same above. Further, Akshaya Trititeeya day + Rohini Nakshatra + Wednesday (or) Monday – daana on this day, gives Maha Vishesha Phala (page 58).

Firm faith, sincerity, devotion, etc these combined, remove our worries in life, and desires are fulfilled, says Nirnaya Sindhu page 70.

अपि जन्म सहस्रोत्थं पापं दहति दारुणम् ।  
माधवे मासि यः कुर्यात्, लभते सर्वं ईप्सितम् ॥

**If nothing is possible, atleast do this: Early morning Vaishakha Snana with Sankalpa. It will pave the way for good times.**

## AKSHAYA TRITEEYAA

21-4-2015 (Tuesday)

Vaishakha Shukla Trititeeya day is Akshaya Trititeeya. Most auspicious day for any Shubha Karya. All Dharma Shastras praise this day. Even a little Punya Karya (Japa, Homa, Pitru-Tarpana, Daana) on this day, brings great Phala, says Dharma Sindhu (page 41).

यत् किञ्चित् जप, होम, पितृ-तर्पण,  
दानानि क्रियते, तत् सर्वं अक्षयं भवति ॥

**1. Early Morning Snana with Sankalpa:** Devout People go to a Punya Theertha for Snana on this day.

वैशाखे शुक्लपक्षे तु तृतीयायां तथैव च ।  
गङ्गा-तोये नरः स्नात्वा, मुच्यते सर्व-किल्बिषैः ।

If Ganga water is available in the house, sprinkle a few drops (Prokshana) on your head. If not available, simply say 'Ganga, Ganga' and have prokshana of ordinary water.

**2. Japa-process** Snana, then Madi-vastra, Gopichandana naama mudra, Sandhyavandana, and Gayatri Japa. No absent-minded Japa. A quality Japa with total inner involvement. It means unbroken concentration on the charming Figure of the Lord smiling at us, and sitting at the Centre of the Sun.

**3. Puja:** Saligrama Puja, within the available time. Abhisheka with Gandho-daka★ Regular Devara Puja, upto Ramaa-Naivedya.

**4. Pitru-Tarpana:** Sarva-pitru Tarpana is a must on Akshaya-Triteeya day (by those to whom it is applicable).

**5. Dana:** Shastra says Dana in general, is beneficial, sure and certain. (Dhru-vam-Phalati). Dana offered on this day, comes back in many fold. A small Dana offered on this day, comes back in a big way. Gods are pleased. Pitrus are also pleased. The result is "GOOD LUCK". Offer it to Lord first and then to a worthy person with Thulasi Dhala.

**6. Parayana:** Do parayana of any grantha atleast for 10 minutes. Be blessed with peace of mind, by chanting any stotra. Maha-phala for Manyu Sookta (or) Hari Vayustuti parayana in Puras-charana method.

★ *Saffron (kunkuma-poo), Cardamom (Elakki) powder, pacha-karpura all mixed and blended with Chandana water is "Gandho-daka".*



Ladies can do parayana of Lakshmi Shobhane, Madhwa Naama, Hari-katha-mruta-saara, etc.

**7. Anna-daana:** If worthy persons (Dampathis) are available nearby, invite them for anna santarpana and offer them theertha, thamboola, dakshina with thulasi, prior to Bhojana and receive their blessings. It ensures the welfare for the whole family.

If possible, Manyu Sookta Homa or any other Homa can be performed. It brings more and more prosperity. Naivedya of Paanaka, Buttermilk, fruits are Maasa Dharma. In temples, the idols are covered with Chandana. In houses, Chandana water Abhisheka is ideal.

### **DO NOT SPEND THIS DAY IN SHOPS**

Discarding all these Dharma Karyas, don't be duped by the advertisement of shopkeepers, who proclaim that this day is meant for some other purpose. Akshaya-Tritēeya day is an excellent opportunity to gain Divine Grace for the removal of our troubles in life. Our Kula Devata and our Pitrus are watching us whether we do any Dharma Karyas remembering them atleast on this day. Today is the most auspicious day (Parva Kaala). This day is not for wasting time in the Bazaar. And this day is not for giving our hard earned money to the shopkeepers. This day is meant to get peace of mind by offering daana, to worthy persons and for Puja.

If both Rohini Nakshatra and Wednesday combine on Akshaya Tritēeya day, (or any one combines with this day,) more phala for japa, homa, etc.

*(Dharma Sindhu page 41)*

It is also Vishesha if Monday or Wednesday combines on this day, says Smrityartha Saagara.

### (AKSHAYA TRITEEYA) TARPANA MANTRA

Aachamanam. Pavitra Dhaaranam.

आचमनं, पवित्रधारणम् । ॐ, भूः,..... एवं गुण विशेषण  
विशिष्टायां पुण्य तिथौ, प्राचीनावीति-

अस्मत् पित्रादि समस्त पित्रन्तर्यामि, भा.रमण-मु...तर्गत,  
श्रीजनार्दन वासुदेव-प्रेरणया, ..... प्रीत्यर्थं, अक्षय तृतीया, कल्पादि  
पुण्यकाल प्रयुक्त, पित्रादि समस्त पितृन् उद्दिश्य, तिल तर्पणं करिष्ये ।  
अस्मत् पितरं.... ।

After offering to all-

अनेन, अक्षय तृतीया, कल्पादि पुण्यकाल प्रयुक्त पित्रादि समस्त  
पितृन् उद्दिश्य, तिलतर्पणेन, अस्मत् पित्रादि समस्त पित्रन्तर्यामि  
भा....मु....तर्गत श्री जनार्दन वासुदेव प्रीयतां, सुप्रीतोवरदो....।  
Then pavitra Visarjanam and then Achamanam.

### SNANA and DANA

Samudra Snana or Punya-theertha Snana on this day, mitigates the sufferings and worries in life.

**Danas:** Gandha, Pushpa, Paanaka, Buttermilk, cool drinking flavoured water, chitraanna, curd rice, coconut, fruits, deepa, vastra, chappal, umbrella, palmira hand-fan, mat, pillow, carpet, bed-sheet, bed, Go dana, etc. Whichever dana is possible can be given with thamboola dakshina with thulasi.

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## **GANGOT-PATTI – GANGA PUJA**

Vaishakha Shukla Saptami (25 - 4 - 2015)

**N. Ragothaman, Chennai - 5**

When Bhageeratha brought the river Ganga to the Earth from Deva Loka, the river on its way, flooded into the Ashrama of Janhu Maharishi. He got angry and swallowed the river by doing aachamana. Bhageeratha in great distress, begged Maharishi to released the river. The kind-hearted, Maharishi, released the river. thro' his right year. He thought if he releases the river from his mouth, it would become 'uchchishta'. So, he released it thro' his ear. That day is Vaishakha Shukla Saptami – Gangot-patti (Ganga+Ut-patti). Thus, the river Ganga became '**Janhavi**' — since she became the daughter of Janhu Maharishi. On this day, Ganga Puja is celebrated in the house. Wash the 'Ganga Thaali' kept in the house. After doing alankara, perform puja as follows:-

### **GANGA PUJA (in brief)**

In a plate, spread the rice and at the centre, keep a 'Kalasa' with a tumbler of water for puja. Gandhodaka into the Kalasa. Gandha, Thulasi-kaashta, cardamom, saffron, pachcha-karpoora, all blended.) If Ganga water is available, pour a little in Kalasa. Arisina, Kumkuma, Pushpa alankara to Kalasa. After washing all the 'Ganga Thaali' that are available in the house, keep them near the Kalasa. Alankara and Puja to all these.

With Mantrakshata in the hands of everyone

in the house, chant this sloka and offer it on the Kalasa.

स बिन्दुमाधवः पायात् विभोः यस्य निरीक्षणात् ।  
अपारोऽपि हि संसार-सिन्धुः बिन्दुत्वं अश्रुते ॥

This Puja is for Ganga Devi, Yamuna and Saraswati Devis also.

1. <i>Gangaa-Yamunaa-Saraswateem Dhyaayaami</i>	Mantrakshata to Kalasa and all the Ganga Thalee
2. <i>Aavaha-yaami</i>	Mantrakshata
3. <i>Aa-sanam Samarpa-yaami</i>	Mantrakshata
4. <i>Pada-yo: Paadyam Samarpa-yaami</i>	3-Uddarini water to Kalasa and Ganga Thalee
5. <i>Hastayo: Arghyam Samarpayami</i>	3-Uddarini water
6. <i>Aachama-nee-yam Samarpayami</i>	3-Uddarini water
7. <i>Snaa-pa-yaami</i>	Prokshana with Pushpa by chanting 'Aapo-hishta mayo-bhuva: .....
8. <i>Snaana Anantaram Aa-cha-ma-nee-yam Samarpayami</i>	3-Uddarini water
9. <i>Vastram Samarpayami</i>	Mantrakshata
10. <i>Gandhan Samarpayami</i>	Gandha

11. <i>Akshataan Samarpayami</i>	Akshata
12. <i>Aabhara-naani Samarpayami</i>	Alankaara with Pushpa Garland
13. <i>Pushpaani Poojayaami Archana:-</i>	1. Gangaa-yai Nama: 2. Yamunaa-yai Nama: 3. Saraswath-yai Nama: 4. Jaanhav-yai Nama: 5. Vishnu-paadod-bhavaa- yai Nama:
14. <i>Dhoopam Aghraapa-yaami</i>	Dasaanga dhoopa
15. <i>Deepam Darsha-yaami</i>	3-bhatti ekaarthi
16. <i>Naivedyam Samarpayami, Thaamboola Dakshinaan Samarpayami</i>	Naivedya of all the items, fruits and Thaamboola, Dakshina, with Thulasi
17. <i>Mahaa Neeraajanam Samarpayami</i>	5-bhatti Mangalarathi
18. <i>Pradakshina, Namaskaaraan Samarpayami</i>	Pradakshina and Namaskaara by all
19. <i>Praar-tha-naan Samarpayami</i>	Praarthana by all
Sri Krishnarpanamastu.	

**12 Names of Ganga**

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Nandinee                         | 7. Gangaa            |
| 2. Nalinee                          | 8. Tri-patha-gaminee |
| 3. Seetha                           | 9. Bhaageerathee     |
| 4. Maalathee                        | 10. Bhogavathee      |
| 5. Malaapahaa                       | 11. Jaanhavvee       |
| 6. Vishnu-paadaabja-<br>sambhoothaa | 12. Tri-jatesh-waree |

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**SRINIVASA KALYANA DAY***Vaishakha Shukla Dashami (28-4-2015)*

Lord Srinivasa's kalyana with Sri Padmavathi was on Vaishakha Shukla Dashami. Bhavish-yottara Purana describes the marriage in detail. It brings good to the family if this Utsava is celebrated in the house as simple or as grand as possible.

वैशाख शुक्ल दशमी भृगुवारे शुभे दिने ।

बन्धुभिः सह संप्राप्य, मां उद्धृत्य गणैः सह ।

हर्षेण पाणि-ग्रहणं कर्तव्यं मे मनोगतम् । ( वे.मा.-9-178 )

Aakaasha Raja, the father of Sri Padmavathi, writes to Srinivasa requesting Him to please accept the hand of Padmavathi in marriage in the midst of all relatives on the said auspicious day. That was his heart's desire and requests the Lord to fulfil that desire. Sri Vadiraja Swami's Kannada work on this Kalyana is popular among ladies.

(Venkatesa Maa-hatmya – 10 – 178)

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*With the gracious permission and Blessings  
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It is our cherished desire here in Gururukulam, that after learning vedic portions, our boys should be able to perform *Navagraha* Homa, *Vayu-Stuti* Homa and *Manyu Sookta* Homa in their houses. They should do it themselves with full understanding. If 10 or 12 boys come up well in that way every year, just imagine the Vedic Cultural standard in our society. The boy can do this Homa with books initially. This should be achieved by the time he completes P.U.C or Plus two. At school he should be the team leader. At home, he is a Pandit. Both achieved with no disturbance to his school studies.

**The Two Main Lessons**

- (1) ***Punya-h Vaachana*** Mantras and
- (2) ***Agni-Mukha*** Mantras

If boys become proficient in the above said two items, they will be able to perform any Homa. These two are common in all our domestic functions, such as *Aa-yush-Homa* etc. But the problem is, that it is a Himalayan task to make boys sit and learn this with interest and enthusiasm.

### **Yada - vattu - Age**

They are all grown up boys at this stage; neither so innocent, nor so matured. (*Yada-vattu* in Kannada). Not so amenable; not so readily willing to obey, especially when the subject involves some extra mental exercise. If you compel them, it will not work. If you cajole them all the time, the spirit will go away after 15 minutes. It will end only in too much of laughter. If there is no seriousness in the class, the teacher will look at me indicating he got dejected. That should not happen. You will have to imaginatively and tactfully handle this class

You will have to inspire the boys in the right way and create interest and enthusiasm in the minds of these adolescent boys.

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When the boy becomes a *Grihastha*, he needs a minimum Vedic knowledge. We should give him this knowledge, if we expect him to practise his Kula-Dharma at home.

### **Your Hearty Blessings**

There are many noble hearted *Dharmavatis* and *Dharmavaans* in our society. It is with their blessings, this Dharmic work is going on all these 35 years. They bless and send their “Yatha-Shakti”

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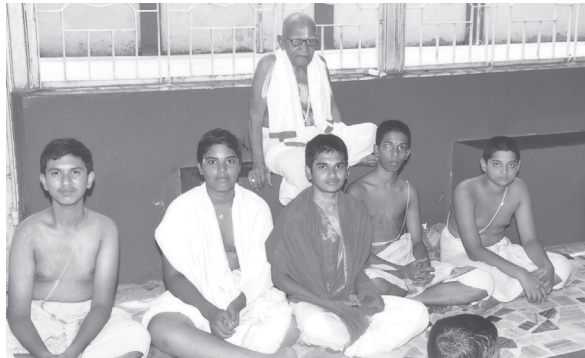


*Veda Vidwan Sri R. Lakshmanan is being honoured.  
He taught Vedic portions to senior Vidyarthis.*



*Our Blaved  
Boys are 100  
Chi. Sameera  
Guttal III year  
BE. Triplicane,  
a Vidyarthi  
from 2007  
to 2013.  
In 2014 he is  
Adhyapaka.  
Very efficient.*

*Senior  
Vidyarthis -  
Cum -Upa-  
Adhyapakas.*



*Senior Vidyarthis  
- All from  
Tirupati May  
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*Juniors learning Devara-Puja-May-2014 Vidyarthis from Chennai.*

