



Jayaguru

Nilachala Saraswat Sangha, Puri

Branch: America Saraswata Sangha

829th Sangha Puja sessions report

Date & Time: September 4, 2022 7:15 AM - 11:45 AM EST

Palia: Sriyansh, Sibani Dwibedy Maa

Adhibhasa Puja (September 3, 2022): Adhibhasa Puja was held at Nigama Smruti Mandira from 7:00PM to 8PM ET. After Stotra Bandata, Upadesh and Sri Sri Nigmananda Leela Prasanga was read.

Attendees: Attendance sheet is available in the member section of the AMSAS web site at http://www.jayaguru.net/members/member_references

First Session (September 4, 2022 7:15 AM to 8:45 AM): The morning session of the puja started at 7:15 AM with *Milu maa* singing *Kahara Aadara Bolaa* followed by *Anjali maa* singing *Ete Dine Kihe Bandhu*. During that time, all the devotees joined the puja either at Nigama Smruti Mandira or via tele-conference. Sanujit bhai performed the Aarati. Then Smita Bai Maa led the singing of the *Bandana (Bandae GurucharaNa)* and *Stotra Bandana*. Braja Bhai led the reading of the *Parichaya Patra* followed by Special Prarthana for CoronaVirus as well as *Sammilini* and *Asana Mandira Nityapuja Prarthana*. Then, Lipsita Maa read Sangha Sebaka forty first year part four (*Bandana, Prarthana and Prathanakarinka Prati*) while Amrita Maa sang Prarthana Geetika. The brief summary is- "Purification of mind is absolutely needed for progress in the spiritual world. No one should pray for material things from sri guru bhagaban. Always take his nama. Any day, find a particular time to think about self for a specified amount of time. Spiritual thinking reduces attachment to the material world and helps purify your mind. After the reading of Sangha Sebaka, Sonali Maa read Shri Shri Guru Gita (Shloka 109). Then, Sibani Dwibedy Maa invited Shri Shri Thakura maharaj for balya bhoga and Thakur Maharaj, Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants to attend the second session. The first session concluded with Jayaguru Naama kirtan. After the first session, *Balya Bhoga* was offered to Shri Shri Thakura, and Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants accepted *Prasada*.

Second Session (September 4, 2022 9:45 AM to 11:45 AM): The second session of the puja started at 9.45 AM with Dipti Maa and Sukanya Maa singing *Aabahana*, "*Mun Je Aasare Ganuchhi Dina*", "*Aasa he Parama Sundara*" sequentially. This was followed by *Pranaama Gaana* and opening of the *Aasana*. Then Leena Maa sang the *Bandana "Tuma Charane Koti Pranati"*. Banalata Maa read parichaya patra followed by Uditaa maa singing Biswapati Pranam. Sushri Maa read Nigama Upadesh Page 169-170 followed by Biswajit Behera Bhai reading minutes of the last sangha puja session. Sasmita Maa read Panchasanyashini Sishya Sibani Mohanti maa singing "Kete Sadhanara" followed by Usha Maa read sansarapathe. Then Gyan Bhai coordinated a Q/A session. After summarizing Sangha Sebaka reading in the morning. Since there was no question, he continued reading Sangha Sebaka. Then the young

Aspirant session started with Aditi singing "Atala Saagare". Then, Shreya Maa led the discussion in the YA session and took the attendance of young aspirants and discussed Yama and Niyama from Astanga yoga. Then Sriyansh and Sibani Dwibedy Maa did their *Bhaba Binimaya Seba*. Sibani Dwibedy Maa invited Sri Sri Thakura for *Madhyaahna Bhoga* and Evening Puja. Then Simran and Mahesh Bhai invited Shri Sri Thakura to the Sangha Puja to be held on September 11, 2022. Brundaban bhai invited Sri Sri Thakura to his gruhasana barsika utsava to be held on september 4 evening. After that, Sibani Dwibedy Maa prayed for forgiveness for any mistakes from Sri Sri Thakura, all Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants. The session concluded with *Bidaya Prarthana "Dayamaya Sricharane"* sung by Puja Maa and the *Asana* was closed with Jayaguru Nama Kirtana and Pranaam. Biswajit Bhai took the attendance of all Bhais and Maas present for the Puja. Then, *Madhyana Bhoga* was offered to Shri Sri Thakura followed by *Prasada Sevana*.

Shri Sri Thakuracharanashritaa,
Sriyansh and Sibani Dwibedy Maa