



Jayaguru Nilachala Saraswata Sangha, Puri America Saraswata Sangha 928th Sangha Puja Session Report

Date & Time: September 29, 2024, 7:15 AM - 11:55 AM ET

Palias: Jagrat, Rashmi Panda Maa and Priyambada Maa

Adhibaasa Puja:

Adhibasa puja was held at Nigama Smruti Mandira at 7 PM ET on September 28, 2024.

Sangha Puja: September 29, 2024

First Session: 7:15 AM to 8:45 AM ET

The morning session of the Puja started at 7:15 AM ET with the singing of *pratikshya* songs “Aasa Prabhu Dayaamaya MangaLa Ushaare” and “Aasa Hey PraaNa Thakur Pujaasane Bije Kara” by Brundaban Bhai and Bani Maa respectively. During that time, all the devotees joined the puja either at Nigama Smruti Mandira or via teleconference. At 7:30 AM ET, Sanujit Bhai performed Aarati. Then Gyana Bhai led the singing of *bandana* (*Bandae GurucharaNa*) and *stotra bandana*. Sonali Maa read verse 99 from Shree Shree Guru Gita. Braja Bhai led the reading of Parichaya Patra followed by sammalini praarthanaa and praarthanaa for the construction of a Bhakta Niwas. Then Thakur Prasad Bhai read *Bandana*, *Praarthanaa*, and *PraarthanaakaarinkaPrati* from Sangha Sebaka 8th Year, Part 3. After that, Rashmi Maa invited Shree Shree Thakur for *balya bhoga*, all Bhais, Maas, and young aspirants for *balya prasad*, and to attend the second session of the sangha puja. The first session of the puja was concluded with “Jayaguru” *mahaa-naama keertan*.

Second Session: 9:30 AM to 11:55 AM ET

The second session of the puja started at 9:30 AM with the singing of *abaahana* songs, “MaNimaa SuNimaa Heu ALi Manara” by Amrita Maa and “Eh Kemitu Bandhana” by Sibani Mohanty Maa. This was followed by *pranaama gaana* and the opening of the curtain at Naata Mandira. Smita Bai Maa sang the *bandanaa* “Namo Namo Namah Prabhu Nara Rupa Dhara”. After that, Tarini Bhai read the section titled “The power of Guru”, from Nigama Upadesha. Trinath Bhai read the minutes of the last sangha puja held on September 22, 2024. Gouranga Bhai, the president of Cuttack Zilla Sangha, joined as the NSS representative and offered an inspirational discussion on Parichaya Patra. Then Nihar Bhai sang the *praarthanaa sangeeta* “Mo Bhaale Sate Heba Ki Sedina”. This was followed by the question-and-answer session by Gauranga Bhai. Then, the Young Aspirant (YA) session started with the *praarthanaa sangeeta* “Mun Tuma Karunaa JaLe Phutaa Kumuda” sung by Ahnik. Barada Bhai coordinated the YA session starting with taking the attendance of the YAs. Then Jagrat, Rashmi Maa, and Priyambada Maa did their *bhaaba binimaya*, followed by invitation for *madhyaahna bhoga* and evening puja by Priyambada Maa. Divyans invited Shree Shree Thakur, all Bhais, Maas, and the YAs for the

next YA session, and Sweta Maa invited all to the next Sangha Puja scheduled to be held on October 6th, 2024. After that, Priyambada Maa prayed for forgiveness from Thakur, all Bhais, Maas, and Young Aspirants for any irregularity in *sebas*. The session concluded with *bidaaya praarthanaa* "Dinanaatha Ehi Bhikshyaa" sung by Sukanya Maa. The curtain was closed at Naata Mandira with "Jayaguru" *mahaa-naama kirtan* and *pranaam*. Biswajit Bhai took the attendance of all Bhais and Maas present for the Puja.

Attendees: The attendance sheet is available in the member section of the AMSAS website at

<https://www.jayaguru.org/members/resources.html>

Shri Shri Thakur Charanaashrita(a)
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