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862nd Weekly Puja Program

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Date: 5-7-23 Time:7:15-11:55 AM

Palia: Ansh, Lipsita Maa, Chinmayee Maa

5-6-23		Adhibasa
7:00 - 8:00		Stotra Bandana, Scripture Reading (Leelaa Prasanga Part 4, Kokilamukh Mathare Sanyasini Jogamaya, Page 340), Bidaya Prarthana, Jayaguru Nama Kirtana & Closing of Asana
5-7-23		First Session(7:15 - 8:45)
07:15	Anjali Maa, Amrita Maa	Prateekshya
07:30	Sanujit Bhai	Aarati
07:45	Smita Bai Maa	Bandana (Bandae Gurucharana), Stotra Bandana
08:10	Brajendra Bhai	Parichaya Patra Patha & Sameelani Prarthana.
08:20	Sweta Maa	Sangha Sevaka 49th Year, 2nd Part (Bandana, Prarthana & Prarthanakarinka Prati)
08:40	Pallavi Maa	Shree Shree Guru Geeta - Verse 30
08:42	Chinmayee Maa	Invitation for Baalya Bhoga and Second Session Puja
08:43		Jayaguru Nama Keertana, Pranama and Closing of Asana
5-7-23		Second Session (09:30 AM - 11:55 AM)
09:45	Udita Maa, Leena Maa	Abahana
10:00		Pranama Gaana and Opening of the Curtain
10:02	Milu Maa	Bandana
10:07	Banalata Maa	Parichaya Patra Paatha
10:15	Arpita Maa	Biswapati Pranama
10:20	Ipseeta Maa	Nigama Upadesha (Page - 210-211 Sentimentality is fatal)
10:25	Prabhakar Bhai	Minutes of the Last Session
10:27	Vedamati Maa	Pancha Sanyasini Shishya (Page 119-124)
10:35	Prabina Maa	Praarthanaa Sangeeta
10:40	Sonia Maa	SansaarPathe - Part 1 (Chapter No.30 Issue of casteism for householders)
10:50	Brajendra Bhai	Q.A. Session
11:00	Pratyusa	Y. A. Praarthanaa Sangeeta
11:05	Shreya	Y. A. Session
11:35	Ansh, Lipsita Maa, Chinmayee Maa	Bhaaba Binimaya Invitation for Madhyaahna Bhoga and Evening Puja
11:41	Aditi, Gyan Bhai, Pooja Maa	Invitation for Next Sangha Puja (5-14-23)
11:42	Lipsita Maa	Praying for forgiveness
11:43	Sibani M. Maa	Bidaaya Prarthana
11:45		Jayaguru Nama Keertana, Pranama and Closing of Asana
11:55	Biswajit Bhai	Attendance

Sansar Pathe

Chapter No. 30.

Issue of Casteism for householders

There is a saying that, anyone who walks in the front, serves *prāsād*, or comes as a maid of a newly-wed bride, does not have any honor. God himself has created the caste system based on activities and attributes. Not just humans, every creature falls into a caste category. Among animals, some are very gentle while some others are very naughty thus creating different groups. Women such as Gargi and Maitreyi had achieved *brahma-jñān* (the ultimate knowledge). They also had the right to discuss the Vedas. Vishwamitra, who was a *kshatriya* king, earned the right to be considered a *brāhmin* through penance. Because of wrong actions, Vashitha's son became a *chanḍāl*, even though he was born as a *brāhmin*. '*Chanḍālopi Dwija Śreṣṭha Haribhaktiparāyaṇ*'. Even if someone is born to a *chanḍāl* family, one can be the best of a *brāhmin* through one's good deeds. In the same way, a *brāhmin* becomes a *chanḍāl* because of his bad deeds. The practice of *sādhanā* is open for all; whoever is able, take that path. But those who are not doing their duties properly, they only find faults. If *brāhmins* did such things for self interest, scriptures would not have recommended provisions for redemptions for the *brāhmins* should they accept gifts from *śudras* etc.. When *brāhmins* could have ruled the world, why did they choose to become forest dwellers and live just by eating fruits and roots? Is this not a burning example of giving up greed? In spite of being born with supernatural powers, they did not live their lives like animals, fighting for materialistic things. Aren't these examples of their divine qualities? But in this changing time, unexpected things are taking place. Therefore, the *brāhmins* of these days are servants of their greed. The *brāhmins* who were previously treated like Gods in this world, their descendants consider the despised act of licking others feet as the only duty. There is no dearth of lies, deception and stealing. Let alone having the qualities of a *brāhmin*, some of them even lack the basic qualities of a good human being. The condition of *Gurus* and *purohits* (priests) is also very pathetic. The more illiterate and fraudulent one is, the more superior he considers himself. . However, Hinduism has been able to maintain its independence due the existence of the caste system, else it would have been long lost. Most of those who write to me with an inquisitiveness about religion are born to *brāhmin* families. However there is good and bad everywhere. Our country is well-ruled now, but the society is despotic and undisciplined. The purpose of the caste system is to segregate various attributes and actions. But, the Hindus know that in this fictional world the caste system is imaginary and nothing but a mirage. Imagining the difference between humans and animals in this world, who are nothing but the same Atma, is erroneous. There is segregation only among the people with lower eligibility. Those who have moved beyond the attributes and actions by abiding by one's dharma or duties have no injunctions or prohibitions with respect to either caste or *āśram*.