

JAYAGURU Nilachala Saraswata Sangha, Puri America Saraswata Sangha

918th weekly Sangha Puja Session Report

Date :: July 21st , 2024

Time: 7:15 AM - 11:55 AM ET

Attendance: The link to the attendance sheet is available on the AMSAS website

Palia: Sreeja, Debi Das Bhai, Sonali Maa

Adhibasa Puja (July 20th 2024, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM ET):

Adhibasa puja started with the singing of *Stotra Bandana* at 7:00 PM right after the evening nityaa puja. After the bandana *Leela Prasanga part-5(page-306)* was read. Then Bhai invited Shree Shree Thakura, Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants to attend the sangha puja scheduled for 7:30 AM EST next morning. The session concluded with evening prayer Bidaya Prathana, Jayaguru Nama Kirtana and *Bhoga* was offered to Shree Shree Thakura, Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants and followed by closing of Asana..

First Session (July 21st, 2024, 7:15 AM to 8:45 AM ET):

The morning session of the puja started at 7:15 AM ET with the singing of *Pratikshaa* songs, Maage Darashana by Anjali Maa and '*Hrudaya Mandire tuma paine muje*' by Arpita Maa. During that time, all the devotees joined the puja either at Nigama Smruti Mandira or via tele-conference. Sanujit Bhai offered mangala aarati to Shree Shree Thakura followed by bandana(Bandaee Gurucharana) and stotra bandana led by Rasmi C Maa. Sonali Maai read verse 89 from Shree Shree Guru Gita. Brajendra Bhai led the reading of *Parichaya Patra* followed by prayers for *Sammalini and Bhakta Niwas Nirmana Prathana*. Prabhakar Bhai read Sangha Sebaka 6th Year 1st Part (*Bandana, Prarthana* and *Prarthanakarinka Prati*. After that Debi Das Bhai invited Shree Shree Thakura, Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants to attend the second session of the sangha puja that was scheduled to start at 10:00 AM ET. The first session concluded with *Jayaguru Mahanaama*. After the session, *Balya Bhoga* was offered to Shree Shree Thakura. Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants were served with *Prasada*.

Second Session (July 21st , 2024, 9:45 AM to 11:55 AM ET):

The second session of the puja started at 9:45 AM with the singing of Pratikshya and Aabaahana songs by Pooja Maa and Bhakti Maa, followed by Pranaama Gaana and opening of the curtain at NaaTa Mandira. Smita Bai Maa sang Bandanaa, Tarini Bhai read the topic,'Be the Medium of My Desire' page 2-3, from Sadguru Swami Nigama Upadesha. Bhakti Maa read the minutes of our last sangha puja session. Jagannath Bhai from NSS led reading of various scriptures and the discussion on Thakura's teachings. Then Nihar bhai sang prarthana song 'Atiki minati Padare' Jagannath Bhai continued and answered some of the questions asked by the fellow members of AMSAS. The Young Aspirant session started with the Prarthana Sangeeta by Pratyusa. Swati Maa led the YA session after the attendance. Then, Sreeja, Debi Das Bhai and Sonali Maa did their Bhaba Binimaya Seba, followed by invitations for Madhyaahna Bhoqa and Evening Puja. Aditi, Sanujit Bhai and Sisir Bhai invited Shree Shree Thakura, all bhai's, maa's and YAs to the next Sangha Puja scheduled for July 28th, 2024. After that, Sonali Maa prayed for forgiveness from Thakura, all Bhais, Maas and Young Aspirants for any irregularity in seba. The session concluded with Bidaaya Prarthana, sung by Gyan Bhai. The curtain was closed at Naata Mandira with Jayaguru Naama Kirtana and PraNaam. Biswajit Bhai took the attendance of all Bhais and Maas present for the Puja. Madhyaahna Bhoga was offered to Shree Shree Thakura followed by Prasada Sebana by the devotees.

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Shri Shri Thakuracharanashritaa,

Sreeja, Debi Das bhai and Sonali Pattanaik.