



Nilachala Saraswata Sangha, Puri
America Saraswata Sangha
970th Sangha Puja Session Report

Date & Time: August 10, 2025, 7:15 AM - 11:55 AM ET

Palia: Sreeja, Uditā Maa

Adhibhasa Puja (Aug 9, 2025):

Adhibas Puja was held at Nigam Smruti Mandir on Aug 9th, 2025, at 7PM. The evening began with Stotra Bandana, followed by the reading of *Sangha Sevaka* (14th Year, Part 1) and Mahapurusha Prasanga, illuminating the divine message of Shri Shri Thakur., With hearts full of gratitude, the devotees offered Bidaya Prarthana, chanting Jayaguru and engaging in soulful Nama Kirtan. The puja concluded at 8 PM with the Closing of Asana.

(Attendance sheet available on the AMSAS member section.)

First Session (Aug 10, 2025, 7:15 AM to 8:45 AM):

The morning session of the sacred Puja commenced at 7:15 AM with the serene offering of Pratikhya, preparing hearts and minds for the divine presence of Shri Shri Thakur. In deep devotion, Thakur Prasad Bhai and Anjali Maa sang Pratikhya songs “Kebe Asiba mo kunja duare” & “Aji marameka madhusura jagere”, filling the atmosphere with purity. During this sacred time, devotees from near and far joined in one spirit—either at the Nigama Smruti Mandira or through the blessing of tele-conference—uniting in collective worship.

With a heart of service, Sanujit Bhai performed the Arati, offering light at the lotus feet of our Guru Maharaj. This was followed by the melodious Bandana (Bandae Gurucharaṇa) and Stotra Bandana, led by Suprit Bhai.

The stream of devotion continued as Sarthak Bhai read from the Shri Shri Guru Gita (Shloka 29), immersing all in the eternal wisdom of Guru Tattva. With reverence, Anup Bhai read the Parichaya Patra, followed by the collective prayers of Sammilani and Bhakta Niwas Nirman Prarthana, seeking divine guidance.

The spirit of surrender was further uplifted as Sonia Maa read from *Sangha Sebaka*, 18th Year, Part Two (Bandana, Prarthana, and Prarthanakarinka Prati), inspiring devotees toward selfless dedication. With a prayerful heart, Uditā Maa then lovingly invited Shri Shri Thakur, along with all Bhai, Maas, and Young Aspirants, to join the second session of the day’s worship. The first session concluded with the collective chanting of Jayaguru Mahanama, sanctifying the moment with the divine vibration.

In deep devotion, Balya Bhoga was then humbly offered to Shri Shri Thakur Maharaj, and all Bhais, Maas, and Young Aspirants partook of the blessed Prasada.

Second Session (June 15, 2025, 9:45 AM to 11:55 AM):

The second session of the sacred Puja commenced at 9:45 AM with the auspicious Abahana (invocation). In deep devotion, Uditā Maa and Milu Maa offered soul-stirring Abahana songs Antara debata asa he & Sate mo ede bhagya heba ki , invoking the divine presence of Shri Shri Thakur. This was followed by Pranama Gana and the ceremonial opening of the Asana, sanctifying the atmosphere for divine worship.

With a heart full of reverence, Pooja Maa offered Bandana Premara Thakura Gyana Parabara, followed by Ipseeta Maa, who read from *Nigama Upadesa* (pages 81–85), the section titled “*Objective of Religion is One, Study the Essence of the Scriptures.*” Sukanya Maa then shared the minutes of the previous Sangha Puja, reminding all of our ongoing collective journey. Gurudas Bhai offered readings from *Nilachale Thakur Nigamananda* (pages 210–217), which Prabhakar Bhai summarized with great clarity, deepening everyone’s understanding.

The devotional stream continued with Brundaban Bhai singing Prarthana Sangeeta Andhari jeebana meghe tume dhruba tara ta, followed by Usha Maa’s heartfelt reading from *Yogi Guru* (pages 58–61).

The Young Aspirant session began with Sreeja’s melodious Prarthana Sangeeta Bhija Akhi luha jhari paduthila, after which Swati Maa lovingly guided the discussion. In the spirit of *Bhava-binimaya*, Sreeja and Uditā Maa shared their feelings. Invitations were then extended for the Madhyahna Bhoga and Evening Puja.

With humility and joy, Suhani, Shreya Maa, and Snigdha Maa offered a heartfelt invitation to Shri Shri Thakur for the upcoming Sangha Puja on August 17, 2025. In a spirit of surrender, Uditā Maa prayed for forgiveness at the holy feet of Thakur, as well as from all Bhais, Maas, and Young Aspirants present.

The session concluded with the soul-melting Bidaya Prarthana “Dasera Prarthana”, sung with devotion by Nihar Bhai. The Asana was reverently closed with the chanting of Jayaguru Nama Kirtana and collective Pranama. Attendance was lovingly noted by Biswajit Bhai, acknowledging the presence of each devotee.

Finally, the sacred Madhyahna Bhoga was humbly offered to Shri Shri Thakur, and all participants partook in the blessed Prasada Sebana, receiving divine grace in unity and devotion.

Shri Shri Thakuracharanashrita,

Sreeja, Uditā Maa