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Last rites of Acarya Vivekananda Avadhuta Dada





The last rites of the mortal body of venerable Acarya Vivekananda Avadhuta Dada was performed at the "Belabalaya" crematorium on 2nd May, 2023. Many former and present students, admirers, Anandamargiis and Sannyasi-Sannyasini(monks & nuns) attended the funeral.

Prior to taking sannyasa, he used to teach at a government higher secondary schools. He quit his job and took sannyasa in February 1970. He did his M.A. degree in Economics, B.Ed., and Special English Course from Shantiniketan. After becoming a Sannyasi, he served as the headmaster of the Ananda Marga High School in Anandanagar. He also served as the vice-principal of Ananda Marga College for some time. During a critical time in emergency, the then Indira Gandhi government banned Ananda Marga, resulting in the closure and seizure of all educational institutions in Anandanagar. After the emergency was over, through tireless work and great hardships, he reopened the school and managed it with great distinction and dedication. He was soft spoken and wise and had also authored many books. Throughout his life, he distinguished himself with immense faith and devotion to his Guru. He was 85 years old at the time of his death.

He was admitted to Purulia Rotary Nursing Home on 29th April'23 with age related and digestive problems. He did not respond well to treatment. On 1st May'23 he left us for the land of mystery.

On 3rd May, at 4 pm, a memorial meeting was organized in his memory at Ananda Marga High School.

Clothes Distribution

On 3rd May, 2023, a clothes distribution drive was organised on the occasion of the 102nd birth anniversary of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii. During that, sarees, and blouses were distributed among fifty destitute women of Dahikuri, Banshgarh, Bangidiri village of Anandanagar.







102nd Birth Anniversary Celebration of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii

On the occasion of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii's 102nd birth anniversary celebrations on 3rd May'23, the men and women of Anandanagar Hari Pari Mandal Gosthi separately organised a "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan Parikrama in Anandanagar Diocese. Starting from "Baba Memorial" and "Uma Nivas" in the morning, the parikrama drove from village-to-village distributing leaflets on the importance and usefulness of the Mahamantra "Baba Nam Kevalam" along the way.





102nd Birth Anniversary Celebration of Shri Shri Anandamurtiijii at Baba Memorial

24 hours akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan was inaugurated in the "Baba Memorial" on the occasion of Shri Shri Anandamurtiijii's 102nd birth anniversary celebration on 4th May'23 at 5 am in Anandanagar.



One hundred girl students from different villages of Anandanagar who are currently studying in Ananda Marga Girls High School were given umbrellas.





Completion of 102nd Birth Anniversary Celebration of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii

From 2nd May'23 to 5th May'23 with various programs like- distribution of clothes to the needy, distribution of books to students, distribution of umbrellas, Kiirtan Parikrama and promotion of greatness of Kiirtan, the 102nd birth anniversary completion and 103rd birthday celebrations of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii were completed in Anandanagar. Spiritual ambiance of the celebrations at the Baba Memorial were further amplified by activities like collective panchajanya, akhanda kiirtan,

lishvar Pranidhan, Varnarghyadan, anandavanii recitation and interpretation, Baba katha(story) also known as guru mahatmya. An exhibition on the contribution of Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii was held in Pundag bazaar, followed by a cultural program with Prabhat Samgiita in the evening. Jalsatra (drinking water distribution), narayana seva, collective breakfast and meals were also done to mark the auspicious occasion.









3 hours Akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan

On 7th May, 2023, at the residence of Raghav Chandra Mahato, a resident of Rakhbar, adjacent to Barudih village of Anandanagar, Akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan was organised successfully for three hours from 9 AM to 12 noon. The program also included collective lishvar Pranidhan, Varnarghyadan, Svadhyaya and meeting was also organised.









***** First Rice Ceremony

On 13th May, 2023, the residents of South Tatuara - Dashrath and Pushpa Kumar - completed the naming and first rice ceremony of their second child according to Ananda Marga Social Scripture Caryacarya rule. On this occasion Nagar Kiirtan at early morning was organised, followed by Panchajanya, and 6 hours Akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan from 6 am to 12 noon. Later, collective lishvar Pranidhan, Varnarghyadan, Svadhyaya, naming meaning and explanation and Narayan Seva was also organised. Under the priesthood of Acarya Muktanand Avadhuta, everyone collectively named the newborn baby "Chandrashekhar".







Annual 6 hours Akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan

To create an environment of spiritual vibrancy, on 14th May, 2023, an annual 6-hour akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan, collective Iishvar Pranidhan, Varnarghyadan, Svadhyaya and Narayan Seva was organized at the residence of Padmalochan Garain at Kosangi Mor.









Distribution of School Supplies

On 18th May, 2023, school supplies like copybook were distributed to girls of 5th - 10th class from Damrughutu village of Anandanagar. These supplies will help them continue their education while beating the odds of belonging to educationally and economically backward families.



Spiritualist Sports and Adventurers Club Academy, Anandanagar

Escaping from the hustle and bustle, noise, air, and visual pollution of the city, surrounded by hills and forests, with pristine water and a natural and serene environment, "Anandanagar" brings unadulterated joy to everyone. Anandanagar houses the central office of Ananda Marga and is also home to various education institutions, starting from primary, secondary, higher secondary level schools, going up to college-level educational institutions.

Our journey in sports training started on April 1, 2021 with the foundation of the Spiritualist Sports and Adventurers Club Academy. Within two years, two players from our academy have been included in various teams like Kolkata Centenary Club Uari, two players in SAIL football team, and eight players in the Purulia Inter District League team. We provide boarding facilities for boys and girls at a minimal cost, along with education, computer training, and football coaching.

Our objectives regarding sports in Anandnagar are:

- 1. Promote physical fitness and mental development among boys and girls in the boarding schools and villages of Anandanagar through sports alongside education.
- 2. Nurture talent and demonstrate excellence through training provided by experienced coaches.
- 3. Utilize sports activities to improve concentration, enhance intellectual abilities, and reduce the number of school dropouts.
- 4. Engaging in sports and studies to keep the mind away from negative influences.
- 5. Using sports to foster discipline, teamwork, and overall physical strength, while instilling a sense of accomplishment in society.
- 6. Adopt a spirituality based sports education model to promote ethical values and help create responsible citizens.
- 7. Create opportunities for various government and private jobs that can be achieved through sports quotas.
- 8. Enable students from Anandanagar to make significant contributions at the state and national level in sports.
- 9. Help develop an interest in sports which in turn enhances focus and facilitates progress in other areas as well.
- 10. Make sports training available from the early age of seven.

The monthly expenses, including boarding, education and other general necessities are within five thousand rupees.

Namaskar,

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Shraddhanjali Service of Shrimati Chanchala Turi

Shrimati Chanchala Turi, wife of Shri Amulya Turi, a resident of Citahi Tola in Sulunglahar village, departed for the heavenly abode on the morning of May 10, 2023, at seven o'clock. On May 19, 2023, according to the customs and traditions of Ananda Marga, a spiritual and solemn ceremony was held in a serene atmosphere to pray for the peaceful departure of the departed soul and to offer Shraddhanjali. The ceremony took place in her residence in the presence of close relatives and well-wishers. Prior to the ceremony, the rituals and significance of the Ananda Marga Shraddhanjali were also explained.







Ongoing Overhaul of Dakshina Jalbandh (Check Dam)

The first check dam in Anandanagar was built on the Dakshina River. Gurudev Shri Shri Anandamurtiji named it "Dakshina Jalbandha". This dam connects the people of Ropo, Siddhi-Jamrah, and Ghaghra areas of Jaipur block with the Jhalda subdivision administration office. It serves as the only means of transportation for the people of Chitmu and Tatuarha areas to and from the Pundag railway station and Bokaro district of Jharkhand, making it a vital lifeline.

To ensure water conservation and to alleviate water scarcity and difficulties for the general population's well-being, Ananda Marga has constructed a total of six small to large check dam on the Dakshina River (Borki Goyai).

Due to excessive usage, the "Dakshina Jalbandh" has become weak and can face an untoward incident at any time. Complete



repairs would require significant expenses, but it is necessary. The work on some important aspects of the overhaul has now begun.





Results of the West Bengal Secondary Examination (2023)

The results of the West Bengal Secondary Examination for the year 2023 were published on 19th May'23. A total of 153 students from Ananda Marga High School and Anandnagar Boys' School, as well as 17 students from Girls' School, participated in the exam. Out of the combined 170 boys and girls who appeared for the exam, all of them have passed. Surajit Rajwar from Boys' School secured the highest marks with 631. The results for both schools are as follows:

Boys' School:

1) AA - 01 (90-100)

2) A+ - 16 (80-89)

3) A - 62 (60-79)

4) B+ - 61 (45-59)

5) B - 13 (35-44)

6) C - 0 (25-34)

Girls' School:

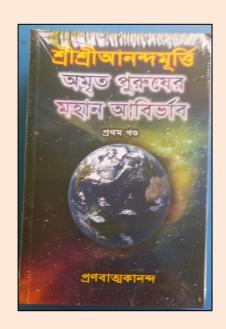
1) A - 7 (60-79)

2) B+ - 9 (45-59)

3) C - 1 (25-34)

New Book on Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii's Life

Based on interviews with thousands of devotees of Baba, Acarya Pranavatmakananda Avadhuta wrote a book in Bengali (in two volumes) titled "Shri Shri Anandamurtii Amrita Puruser Mahan Abirbhava". Total price is ₹ 600 (six hundred). The books are now available in Anandanagar Library.



Monthly 3 Hours Akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan



On 21st May'23 at Anandanagar Baba Memorial the monthly three hours akhanda "Baba Nam Kevalam" Nam Sankiirtan, collective Iishvar Pranidhan, Svadhyaya and Narayan Seva was organized in a smooth manner.

Anandapurnima International Dharma Mahasammelan

The three-day Anandapurnima International Dharma Mahasammelan, was held in Anandanagar from May 26th to 28th, 2023. This significant event in the realm of elevated spirituality was attended by devotees from all around the world. The festival featured a 72-hour akhanda nam sankirtan of "Baba Nam Kevalam."



Attendees enjoyed spiritual songs (Prabhat Samgita), a collective paincajanya at 5 o'clock, a morning nagar kirtan procession, and collective Iswar Pranidhan. Additionally, there were cultural events in the evening, including captivating performances of the famous folk dance "Chau" from the western Rarh. The event was marked by spiritual discourses by Marga Guru Representative Acarya Bikashananda Avadhuta every day. The event concluded with the blessings from Varabhay Mudra video messages of Marga Guru Shrii Shrii Anandamurtiijii.









Anandanagar Diocese's Upcoming Events for June '23

- 1) On the 4th of June '23, at the residence of Mr. Mihir Kumar in Badorola, six-hour "Baba Nam Kevalam" akhanda nam sankirtan and Narayana Seva will be conducted from 6:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- 2) On the 5th of June '23, the wedding ceremony of Sri Shaktipad and Srimoti Parubala Garain's third son, Mithun, along with the daughter of Sri Dilip and Srimoti Alomoni Garain, Jyoti, will be held at Olagada, Thana Pindrajoda, and Bokaro District. at their residence.
- 3) On the 18th of June '23, at Baba Memorial, the monthly akhanda nam sankirtan of "Baba Nam Kevalam" and Narayana Seva will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon.
- 4) On the 21st of June '23, in observance of International Yoga Day, celebrations will be held at our high school, college, and Uma Nivas High School.





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