

SEVA SETHU

A bridge for service

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"Once we surrender our minds to God, He will take care of us in every way."

~ Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba

Dear Friends,

Loving Sairams to you all from Sathya Sai Grama!

Hindsight is 20/20. Be that as it may, it isn't always true. Seasoned observers of our beloved Lord will agree that no act of God is without forethought, and as a result even His foresight is always 20/20. Of course, our limited understanding can and does elude us from this realisation many a time!

In this edition of Seva Sethu, we do a 'Look Back' at how events unfolded in the past year and how every little action of the Lord was a considered, well-thought out move; a small piece in the jigsaw puzzle that Bhagawan was painstakingly putting together to reveal His grand plan to us at the right time.



MESSAGE OF THE LORD | FOLLOW THE MASTER, FINISH THE GAME



"After many births of strives and struggles, you are here now. Every one of us have spent several births of tapas (austerities), hardships and tears to be able to walk further on this path, to be led by the knower of Brahman.

If only we remember even a bit of what we have done to come this far, we wouldn't waste even one moment here onwards. We wouldn't bother about anything else outside us! But the rule of the game is such that you cannot remember all that.

And so you have to trust the Guru's word; trust the words of the Shastras (Scriptures) that you are born again and again in pursuit of your Divinity. And many times when you get distracted and deviate, then a Guru comes and shows the right way. You then start walking on the right path and reach your destination. That is the whole essence of life."

~ **Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai**

(Edited excerpts from the Divine Discourse on Maha Shivaratri 2021)

To read more of Sadguru's discourses, [click here](#)



WHEN GOD PLAYS CHESS

When the global pandemic struck, no one could have imagined that Bhagawan was silently laying the foundation to the edifice of the Veda Gurukulam and reawakening of Sanatana Dharma.

Like a game of chess, every little move was pregnant with strategy and vision. While we witnessed the entire series of events unfold, the grand vision revealed itself to us only on hindsight. Here's a look at the timeline of the events that led to the great revelation.



Master the Mind Discourses

Launched on 28th April 2020 – Shankara Jayanthi

Master the Mind comprising 30 discourses that urged, teased and drew us out of our dream and made us believe that we can truly transform ourselves to become Divine. [View here.](#)



Spiritual Workshop

10 July, 2020 - 10 August, 2020

A unique program for the study of Kathopanishad for the students and staff of the Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence as well as for the devotees. The Upanishad was personally taught by the Knower of Brahman, Sadguru Sri Madhusudan.Sai. [Click here to watch the discourses.](#)

During the evenings, there were discourses on Ashtavakra Gita for senior staff members.



Reflective Talks

11 August, 2020 to 7 September, 2020

Self-transformation talks by students and staff members after attending the Para Vidya Shibir.



Raga Ranjani – Brief Lessons in Classical Music

8 September, 2020 - 7 October, 2020

Each day, one raga was explained briefly after which a few bhajans would be sung in the same raga. The main objective was that everyone should develop appreciation for classical music.

After Vedanta, it was the turn for music to be given importance.



MoU with Sringeri Sharada Peetham to promote Sanatana Dharma

25 November, 2020

A MoU was signed between Sri Sri Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasamsthanam Dakshinamnaya Sri Sharada Peetham and Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence to work together and promote *Sanatana Dharma*.



Athi Rudra Maha Yajna

13 November – 23 November 2020

As part of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 95th Birthday celebrations, the 10-day long Athi Rudra Maha Yajna was conducted in the Divine Presence of Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai. The mornings were filled with auspicious Vedic chants while the evenings had mesmerising music – both classical and devotional. Sathya Sai Grama was enveloped in devotional fervour and everyone felt blissful.



Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Veda Gurukulam

7 January, 2021

Sadguru performed the ground-breaking ceremony for the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Veda Gurukulam. It was termed as the crest jewel of the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Gurukulam institutions.



Mass Upanayanam Ceremony

21 February, 2021

Swami initiated 85 students into the sacred Gayatri Mantra. He indicated that this event heralds the official launch of the 'Reawakening of Sanatana Dharma' across the world. [Click here to read more.](#)

Bhagawan has time and again spoken about how Veda and Music are the two subjects that would take one directly to God. While most subjects such as mathematics, science and even sports are designed to excite the mind, Vedas and music are subjects of the heart. And so, at a time when fear and uncertainty ruled the world as the pandemic took grip, Bhagawan paved the pathway to God Realization for the intent seekers by making Veda and Nada (music) take centre stage.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SRI SATHYA SAI LOKA SEVA VEDA GURUKULAM INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS



Vedas are intent on helping mankind, irrespective of anyone's background, to become aware of divinity in oneself and all around
~ Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba

BOYS AGED 10 YEARS AND ABOVE CAN APPLY FOR ADMISSION

Interested candidates whose parents are keen on vedic education for their children are encouraged to apply

ABOUT THE COURSE

- Rigveda and Yajurveda along with modern education will be taught as per tradition in 12 years.
- Students will also be trained to appear for 10th and 12th grade examinations under NIOS.
- Students will have opportunity to pursue B.A and M.A degrees in Vedic
- Studies from the Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence.
- Employment opportunities are available on successful completion of the course.

To view more of Sadguru's videos, click [here](#).

**EDUCATION,
LODGING
AND BOARDING
ARE COMPLETELY
FREE OF COST**

SRI SATHYA SAI UNIVERSITY FOR HUMAN EXCELLENCE INKS A MOU

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence and Karnataka State Dr Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University on 18th March 2021.



Both the Universities intend to cooperate, collaborate, and focus their efforts to revive and promote Indian Music and Performing Arts by:

- promoting the culture of traditional Guru Parampara
- launching skill development programs in emerging areas
- conducting Faculty Development Programs
- instituting awards

The MoU was signed by Sri B N Narasimha Murthy (Chancellor, Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence) and Prof. Nagesh V Betakote (Vice Chancellor, Karnataka State Dr Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University)

PROJECT MONITOR

SRI SATHYA SAI SARLA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba has always said that every human being has the fundamental right to three aspects of living - good nutrition, good education and good health. In His infinite compassion, He willed that a multidisciplinary hospital to be established at Muddenahalli, so that quality healthcare is accessible to all without any barriers or distinction. And thus the Sri Sathya Sai Sarla Memorial Hospital was conceptualised as a testimony of Baba's love and the service rendered by his dear devotees- late Smt Sarla Shah and Sri Indu Lal Shah.

This general hospital will be dedicated to improving the health of villagers, particularly women and children. It will be a 150-bed multi-speciality hospital that will offer a blend of full-time and visiting health consultants, telemedicine, operating theatres, ICU and emergency services, among others.

The 60,000 sq ft. hospital (Ground plus one floor) will be built to house all departments pertaining to general health and overall well-being.



OUR SERVICES

General Medicine

Obstetrics & Gynaecology

Paediatrics

Orthopaedics

Dentistry

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Physiotherapy

Emergency

HOSPITAL VISION

The medical centre is soon set to become a teaching hospital. In the current scenario of marked disparity between the need for healthcare services and the actual availability in India, the widening gap calls for sufficient skilled and trained healthcare personnel. Therefore the hospital aims to impart medical education albeit with ethics and values in accordance to our institution's vision and mission. Highest quality training will be imparted to youth who will dedicate themselves to the cause of serving the needy.

Stay tuned for more such updates. Here's wishing we continue to work together and inspire one another to make a change in the lives of our fellow human beings.

Warm Regards,

Team PBMT



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