



श्रद्धा Śraddhā

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SUBHASHITA: FROM DARKNESS UNTO LIGHT

अक्रोधेन जयेत् क्रोधम् असाधुं साधुना जयेत् ।
जयेत् कदर्यं दानेन जयेत् सत्येन चानृतम् ॥

Meaning: "Anger is won over with calmness (without anger); the immoral are won with the moral; a miser is won by giving; lies are won over with truth."

Ref: Ref: Sanskrit Pearls(Consolidated and Enhanced) by Rashmi Kashi, Samskruti Publications, First Ed., February 2025

From the Warden's Desk: Sacred Commitments and Sustainable Horizons

July has been a month of spiritual conviction, cultural enrichment, and forward-looking responsibility. Our new students embarked on their journey of transformation with the solemn *Vidyarthivrata Homa*, taking five sacred vows of character and discipline. We also observed *Guru Purnima* with reverence, offering our heartfelt gratitude to our Holy Gurus and Acharyas. Complementing this spiritual foundation with an inspiring lecture series on *Kannada Vachana Sahitya* and the launch of our Alumni Leadership Series, our boys continue to nourish both their intellect and soul. Furthermore, we are launching our Rainwater Harvesting Project to secure sustainable water management on our campus. May we carry forward these ideals with *Śraddhā*.

– Swami Anilayananda

THE SPIRIT OF OUR NAME

Swami Vivekananda considered *Śraddhā*—a deep, reflective faith in oneself and the Divine—to be the foundation of character. He taught that this internal conviction is what empowers individuals to stand on their own feet. Inspired by the determination of Nachiketa and the realization of the lion cub in Swamiji's parables, we selected this name to anchor our newsletter. It stands as a reminder that true education goes beyond textbooks; it is the process of recognizing and cultivating one's inherent strength and dignity.

SACRED BEGINNINGS

Monastic Blessings (10 Jul)

On July 10th, our incoming students visited Ramakrishna Math, Basavanagudi, to seek the holy blessings of Srmat Swami Nityasthanandaji Maharaj, Adhyaksha. Revered Maharaj graced the freshers with words of spiritual encouragement, urging them to embrace student life with purity of intent, earnestness in study, and devotion to high spiritual and moral ideals.



Vidyarthivrata Homa & Matr-Pitr Vandanam (12 Jul)

Carrying forward the sacred tradition established by Revered Swami Nirvedanandaji Maharaj, the Mandiram solemnly celebrated the *Vidyarthivrata Homa* on July 12th. Amidst sacred Vedic chants, the freshers pledged themselves to five eternal vows:

1. Physical well-being
2. Regular and sincere study
3. Truthfulness
4. Unselfishness and compassion
5. Enlightened citizenship

Following the Homa, the profound *Matr-Pitr Vandanam* ceremony was conducted. Motivated by the Vedic injunction '*Matr Devo Bhava, Pitr Devo Bhava*', students honored their parents as living embodiments of the Divine. The ceremony was a deeply moving expression of gratitude for the unconditional love, guidance, support, and lifelong sacrifices of their parents.

Guru Purnima Observance (29 Jul)

Our students observed Guru Purnima by participating in special celebrations held at the Ramakrishna Math, Basavanagudi. It was an uplifting occasion to recall the luminous lives and timeless teachings of our revered Gurus and Acharyas. The students offered prayers and sought divine blessings for wisdom, spiritual growth, and ded-

icated perseverance in their academic and moral journeys.

CULTURAL

Vachana Sahitya Series (16, 17, 23, 24 Jul)

Dr. Mallikarjun, renowned Kannada scholar and Lecturer at SRN Adarsha College, delivered an enriching four-day lecture series across two weeks. Exploring the depth of *Kannada Vachana Sahitya*, he introduced students to the timeless philosophy of Vachanakaras like Basavanna, Allama Prabhu, and Akka Mahadevi, inspiring reflection on simplicity, devotion, and righteous living.



SKILL & INNOVATION

EDP: From Ideation to Execution

The ongoing Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP), guided by alumni Sri Ranjit Nayak and Sri Sripad Naik, reached a major milestone this month. Having finalized their innovative concepts, the student teams are currently formulating structured business plans and preparing competitive presentations for their upcoming pitch showcase.

LEADERSHIP

Alumni Leadership Series Launch

We proudly launched the Alumni Leadership Lecture Series 2026–27 with Sri Narendra R. A. (Batch 1983–1985), Director, Cormorant Engineering India Pvt. Ltd on July 25. He shared valuable lessons from his engineering and corporate leadership journey. His session was a celebration of alumni excellence, motivating students to strive for professional mastery.





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Special Appeal: Rainwater Harvesting Project

Sri Ramakrishna Vidyarthi Mandiram has initiated a vital **Rainwater Harvesting Project** to ensure long-term water sustainability and instill environmental stewardship in our students.



Phase One: Overflow Collection Tank

1. **Storage Capacity:** 1.5 Lakh to 1.75 Lakh Litres
2. **Execution Period:** Commenced: **8th July 2026** | Target Completion: **15th August 2026**
3. **Estimated Phase One Expense:** ₹8,00,000 (Rs. Eight Lakhs)

We earnestly appeal to our alumni, well-wishers, and devotees to support Phase One of this project and help us make our campus ecologically self-reliant.

Mandiram needs your support

The Vidyarthi Mandiram is more than a hostel; it is a home where character is forged. Your generous support ensures that deserving students continue to receive this holistic education regardless of their financial background.

To ensure the holistic growth of our students—intellectually, physically, and ecologically—we are embarking on these vital initiatives:

- Operational and Maintenance Fund for NICE
- Integrated Smart Learning Hub
- Comprehensive Rainwater Harvesting System
- Sports Complex Development
- Utility Vehicle for Medical Emergencies & General Use

We also invite you to contribute generously to our Corpus Fund, ensuring the Mandiram stands as a financially independent beacon of service for generations to come.

Support our mission here: <https://srvm.org/donation-form>

THE MONTH AT A GLANCE: JULY 2026

A complete record of activities reported by all departments.

Date	Event	Category
10 Jul	Blessings of Srimat Swami Nityasthanandaji	Spiritual / Guidance
12 Jul	Vidyarthivrata Homa	Tradition / Vows
16, 17, 23, 24 Jul	Kannada Vachana Sahitya Series (Dr. Mallikarjun)	Cultural / Heritage
25 Jul	Alumni Leadership Series Launch (Sri Narendra R. A.)	Alumni / Leadership
9 Jul	Guru Purnima	Devotional / Tradition
Ongoing (July)	EDP Milestone: Business Plan Finalization	Skill / Entrepreneurship

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