

Muni Seva Ashram, Goraj's

अनुसंधान

CHRONICLES OF PURPOSE,
PASSION, AND PROGRESS



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**Pride in our history,
purpose in our tomorrow.**

जय श्री कृष्ण

श्रावण brings with it an air of purity, devotion, and festivity, adorning creation with spiritual joy. While अषाढ renews nature, श्रावण beautifies it - filling the atmosphere with faith, surrender, and celebration.

At Muni Seva Ashram, this sacred month has truly been one of faith, festivity, and fulfillment. Rakshabandhan strengthened bonds of love and protection. Janmashtami came alive with Krishna's हिण्डोला, पलना, and the playful दही हाण्डी. The sacred Mondays of Shiva resounded with chants and offerings, drawing us closer to inner peace and devotion. Independence Day too filled our hearts with pride and gratitude for the sacrifices that gifted us freedom, along with a renewed resolve to build a just, self-reliant, and compassionate nation. Meanwhile, our fields turned lush and green, reflecting nature's grace and our deep connection with the earth.

More than rituals, श्रावण teaches us charity, penance, and selfless deeds. Its true message is peace through devotion and love - guiding us to serve humanity with humility.

As this sacred month concludes, अनुसंधान brings you glimpses of the celebrations and seva carried out at the Ashram. **May devotion be our strength, service our path, and freedom our guiding light - leading us together toward harmony, collective well-being, and a brighter tomorrow.**

Warm regards,

Team अनुसंधान

Rakshabandhan From the Hearts of Bhaginis - to the Heroes of the Nation.



Because of them, we breathe in freedom.

Because of their unwavering courage, we sleep in peace.

Because of their silent sacrifices, our nation stands tall - proud, free, and unshaken.

They are not just soldiers - they are the soul of our sovereignty, the quiet strength behind every smile we wear. On their tireless shoulders rests the hope of an entire nation. They are our real-life heroes. And this Rakshabandhan, we were blessed with a chance not just to honour them with words, but to embrace them with love.

As the sacred festival of Rakshabandhan approached - a celebration of protection, promises, and the eternal bond between siblings - our Bhaginis lovingly handcrafted rakhis for the brave hearts who protect millions. Every thread carried a prayer, every design a message: **"We are with you. We are because of you."**

This year, the festival became truly unforgettable when the 100th Battalion of the Rapid Action Force (RAF) invited our Bhaginis to their Ahmedabad headquarters to personally tie rakhis to their jawans - an honour etched with emotion, pride, and deep national gratitude.





On Monday, 4th August, our Bhaginis arrived at the RAF base and were welcomed with immense warmth and respect. What followed was not just a ritual - it was a sacred exchange of trust, love, and gratitude. With reverent hands, our Bhaginis applied कुमकुम and अक्षत, tied rakhis with वैदिक मंत्रोच्चारण , and offered heartfelt blessings to these sons of the country.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the 100th Battalion of the Rapid Action Force for their warm hospitality, and to Addlife Foundation for making this meaningful experience possible.

May the sacred thread of Rakshabandhan continue to bind us — in love, in unity, and in remembrance. May our soldiers always feel the heartbeat of a grateful nation.

जयहिंद! जयहिंद की सेना !



Here, sisterhood knows no bounds. Our Bhaginis—each with her own journey—share smiles, strength, and joy as one family. This Rakshabandhan reminds us to widen our circle of care so no one feels unprotected, unloved, or unseen.

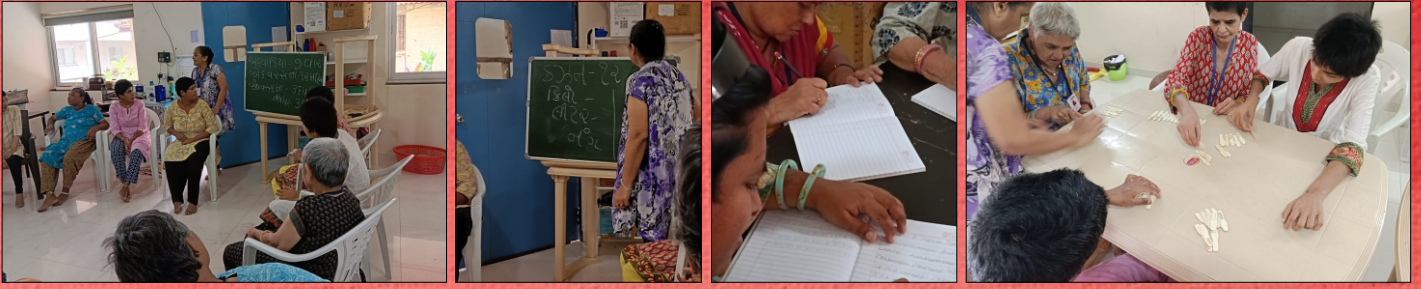


Rakshabandhan at our Schools

More than a thread, Rakshabandhan is a promise of love, respect, and protection. At our schools, it reminds us that true protection comes from caring for one another, standing for what is right, and nurturing values that bind us beyond blood ties—threads that guard hearts and inspire hope.



Empowerment begins with a pencil, a smile, and a patient teacher.



From A to Z, from 1 to 100, we witness our Bhaginis blossom—each letter learned and number counted becoming a quiet celebration of progress.

Because every mind deserves the chance to grow—at its own pace, in its own way—and in an environment filled with dignity, encouragement, and love.

Celebrating National Flag Adoption Day

At Bhagini Mandir, Bhaginis learned about the significance of National Flag Adoption Day (22nd July) through an engaging session by teacher Dakshaben. They discovered how the tricolour, symbolizing strength, peace, and prosperity, was officially adopted on this day in 1947 - just before Independence. The 24-spoked Ashoka Chakra at its centre stands for progress and the eternal wheel of time. Such discussions enrich our residents' understanding of history and national pride.



Hygiene. Dignity. Respect.

Recently, our Bhagini Mandir received a generous donation of sanitary napkins from the main donors, Shree Rajubhai Shah and Shree Murlidhar Shah, representing the Giants Group of Indrapuri, Vadodara.

On this occasion, we were honoured by the presence of Jayantbhai Shah, Rajubhai Shah, Ajitbhai Mohite, Nareshbhai Maheta, Sureshbhai Shah, Samirbhai Modi, Pradipbhai Bhatt, Jayeshbhai Mehta, and Prabhatbhai Raval.



We are truly grateful for this thoughtful contribution towards the well-being and dignity of our Bhaginis.

Education thrives when it moves from imposing truths to encouraging the exploration of facts.

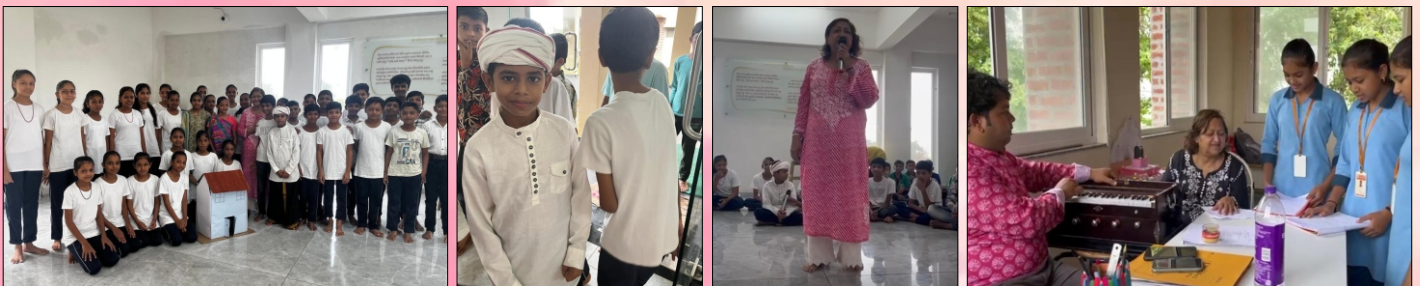


In this spirit, expert facilitators from the Vikram Sarabhai Community Science Centre (VASCSC), Ahmedabad, recently conducted a dynamic *“STEM Hands-on Workshop on Emerging Technologies”* at our EMRS. Nearly 90 students participated, engaging deeply with practical experiments and real-world applications.

A separate session was also organized at our Shardamandir Baxipanch School, where students took part with great enthusiasm—exploring scientific concepts through interactive experiments and educational games.

Our EMRS proudly houses a Community Science Centre, established with the support of NGO WAAH and VASCSC, Ahmedabad, and inaugurated last year. This collaboration continues to spark curiosity and scientific thinking among our young learners.

With stories, smiles, and a sprinkle of magic, Amitaji gifts our children English lessons wrapped in love, laughter, and life wisdom.



Our Ashram is one of those rare places that leaves a lasting impression on every visitor—just like Mrs. Amita Jai from New York.

For the past three years, she has been returning annually to teach spoken English to our school children through storytelling and drama. This year, she brought alive “The Woodcutter and the Axe” with students of Shardamandir Baxipanch School and “Matrudevo Bhava” with EMRS children. Alongside learning, she plays games like ping pong, cricket, and “dog and the bone,” making her sessions joyful and memorable.

Amitaji shares that she has never experienced such happiness before and feels truly blessed to be part of the children's growth. We are deeply thankful to her for showering our children with so much love, warmth, and inspiration.

MSA at Khel & Kala Mahakumbh 2025!

The new academic year has started on a high note, and we are already witnessing inspiring achievements by our students across multiple domains.

At the Taluka-level Khel and Kala Mahakumbh 2025, our students showcased talent, creativity, and team spirit - a true reflection of their dedication and the unwavering support of their coaches and teachers.

Heartfelt congratulations to all the participants, winners, and mentors who made this success possible.

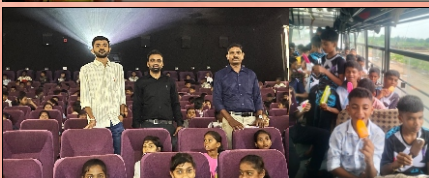
Let's continue to raise the MSA flag high with pride, purpose, and passion!

Schools Managed by Muni Seva Ashram					
Kala Mahakumbh and Khel Mahakumbh - Taluka Level Performance					
Sr No	Individual / Group	Name	Category / Age group	Rank	School
1	Individual	Henil Chaudhary	Character acting – (15 – 20 years)	2 nd	EMRS
2	Individual	Sherin Sangada	Drawing – (6 to 14 years)	1 st	EMRS
3	Individual	Yash Parmar	Tabla - (6 to 14 years)	2 nd	EMRS
4	Individual	Jaimin Solanki	Tabla - (15 to 20 years)	1 st	EMRS
5	Individual	Sonal Rathva	Lagna geet - (6 to 14 years)	2 nd	EMRS
6	Individual	Ankita Rathva	Lokgeet - (6 to 14 years)	2 nd	EMRS
7	Individual	Khushi Rathva	Bhajan -(15 to 20 years)	2 nd	EMRS
8	Individual	Prachi Gamit	Sugam Sangeet - (15 to 20 years)	1 st	EMRS
9	Individual	Priyansh Rathva	Harmonium - (6 to 14 years)	1 st	EMRS
10	Individual	Harmish Hathila	Harmonium - (15 to 20 years)	1 st	EMRS
11	Group	Samuh Geet	6 – 14 years	2 nd	EMRS
12	Group	Samuh Geet	15 – 20 years	2 nd	EMRS
13	Individual	Riya Bariya	Drawing	1 st	Shardamandir Baxipanch
14	Individual	Vihaan Bhaliya	Essay Writing	3 rd	Shardamandir Baxipanch
15	Group	Garba	Garba	1 st	Shardamandir Baxipanch
16	Individual	Deepak Chauhaan	Tabla	2 nd	Vivekanand Shala
17	Individual	Mayur Bariya	Essay Writing	3 rd	Vivekanand Shala
18	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 17 Boys	2 nd	Vivekanand Shala
19	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 19 Boys	1 st	Vivekanand Shala
20	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 17 Girls	2 nd	Vivekanand Shala
21	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 19 Girls	2 nd	Vivekanand Shala
22	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 17 Boys	1 st	EMRS
23	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 14 Boys	1 st	EMRS
24	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 17 Girls	1 st	EMRS
25	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 19 Girls	1 st	EMRS
26	Group	Kho - Kho	U - 14 Girls	1 st	EMRS
27	Group	Volley ball	U - 14 Girls	1 st	EMRS
28	Group	Volley ball	U - 17 Girls	1 st	EMRS
29	Group	Volley ball	U - 19 Girls	1 st	EMRS
30	Group	Volley ball	U - 14 Boys	1 st	EMRS
31	Group	Volley ball	U - 17 Boys	2 nd	EMRS



Reconnecting Children with Eternal Values

In today's screen-driven world, children often know global trends but remain distant from our own timeless heritage. To reconnect them with stories of faith and courage, a special screening of *"Mahavatar Narsimha"* was organized for our school children. They cherished this tale of devotion and the triumph of Dharma, a reminder that true strength comes from faith — and that righteousness always prevails.



If we don't fill their minds with truth, the noise will.
If we don't awaken pride, the world will plant doubt.
If we don't give them culture, the market will give them trends.
If we don't share our history, they'll inherit someone else's version.

Sunday, 17th August 2025 - 9.00 am @ Cinemera

Our heartfelt gratitude to
Dr. Neebha and Dr. Sanjeev Haribhakti
for graciously facilitating a special screening of
Mahavatar Narsimha
for the children of Muni Seva Ashram Schools.



CAF International Validation Renewed Upholding Transparency, Strengthening Trust

We are pleased to share that Muni Seva Ashram has successfully renewed its CAF International validation, reaffirming our unwavering commitment to transparency, good governance, and accountability.

This esteemed recognition ensures that all donations are used for genuine charitable purposes, builds deeper trust with our donors, and paves the way for stronger collaborations.



Hands-on learning, heartfelt thanks



It was a pleasure to host the curious and dedicated first-semester BPT students from Parul University.

We're grateful for the opportunity to share our work in physiotherapy and rehabilitation, and to contribute to their early clinical exposure and learning journey.



Know. Prevent. Protect - KCHRC x Serum Institute – United for Women's Health



An impactful awareness program on Cervical Cancer, organized by the Serum Institute, was conducted at Kailash Cancer Hospital & Research Centre.

The session effectively highlighted the importance of early detection, the role of lifestyle choices, and the benefits of HPV vaccination, reaching our female employees, nursing students, and other staff members with valuable information and guidance.

Support. Strength. Surgical Insight

We organized a Patient Support Group Meeting with cancer patients, their families, and our nursing students. The session aimed to provide education, encouragement, and clarity about the cancer journey.

Dr. Dilip Chandran, Onco-Surgeon, led an informative talk covering key topics such as:

What is Cancer and Understanding Cancer Surgery, its goals, types of Surgical Procedures in Cancer, Risks and Complications, Emotional Support & Rehabilitation, Pre-operative Preparation etc

The session was well-received and helped foster awareness, confidence, and a sense of community among all participants.



A Glimpse from Our Golden Archives A Visit Etched in Time

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In a world of titles and power,
he chose simplicity and connection.
We remember you, *Dr. Kalam...*
...with love and light



A president
who carried
no pride,
only love ...



Ten years have passed since the world lost one of its brightest minds and warmest hearts - Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. But at Muni Seva Ashram, his presence is still deeply felt.

When Dr. Kalam visited our Ashram, he did not come as a dignitary. He came as a friend. A teacher. A compassionate soul. He met our Bhaginis not with formality, but with genuine interest and affection - chatting, smiling, and listening. He lovingly observed the diyas they had made and insisted on buying a few with his own money. No cameras, no speeches. Just a quiet, sincere act of kindness.

That is the Dr. Kalam we remember - the "People's President" who found joy in simple things, and gave dignity to every person he met.

We miss him deeply. And we honour his legacy not just through memories, but by continuing the work of compassion, education, and service that he so deeply believed in.

A soul so humble, a heart so vast - you are forever in our prayers, Dr. Kalam

From missiles to minds,
from labs to lives - he touched all
with unmatched grace.



A soul so humble,
a heart so vast - you are forever
in our prayers, *Dr. Kalam...*



It brings us immense joy to announce that **Muni Seva Ashram is now officially certified as a Remote Pilot Training Organization (RPTO)** by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), Government of India.

This certification empowers us to train aspiring drone pilots and issue Remote Pilot Certificates (RPCs) — a legal requirement for flying drones professionally in India. With this milestone, we proudly join the ranks of institutions shaping the future of drone technology and its safe, regulated use.

From **agriculture, environmental mapping, and surveillance** to **filmmaking, logistics, sports, and beyond**, drones are transforming industries and unlocking new possibilities. Through our **Vocational Training Centre**, we are proud to bring this cutting-edge opportunity to rural youth and technology enthusiasts, helping them take flight—literally and figuratively—toward promising careers.

This milestone would not have been possible without the generous support of the **Rotary Club of Bombay North, Rotary Club of Jawaharnagar, and Drs. Arunbhai & Anjanaben Patel of Los Angeles, USA**. Their unwavering belief in our mission and heartfelt generosity have given wings to a vision that will uplift and empower countless lives. **We remain deeply and sincerely grateful.**

At **Muni Seva Ashram**, every step forward is rooted in service—and today, that step has taken to the skies.



In the colours of ભક્તિ , our hearts rejoice in Kanha's પ્રેમ .
May His કૃપા fill every life with જ્ઞાન, શાંતિ and આનંદ

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This Janmashtami, our Vocational Training Centre celebrated with Dahi Handi, Palna, Prasadam, and heartfelt prayers, blossoming in devotion to Lord Krishna. May the divine flute-player bless all with wisdom, joy, and boundless grace.



From Training to Take off: VTC Staff Become Certified Drone Pilots

The first batch of our VTC staff has successfully completed training as certified drone pilots. This milestone not only marks their personal achievement but also opens new possibilities for applying drone technology in education, agriculture, healthcare, and community development. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all participants and express our sincere gratitude to the trainers whose dedicated guidance made this accomplishment possible. With these new skills, our team is better equipped to serve society through innovation and practical solutions.





Prof. Haribhai R. Kataria, Vice Chancellor of Shri Govind Guru University, Godhra, recently visited our Institute of Nursing and the Kailash Cancer Hospital & Research Centre. During his visit, he expressed high appreciation for the Ashram and the institutions functioning under its auspices.

He commended the efforts being made and acknowledged the Ashram's role in creating a model of integrated service for society. His encouraging words serve as a source of inspiration for our team to continue striving towards excellence in our mission.

Strong beginnings start with Breast feeding



Breastfeeding is the first step toward lifelong health—for both mother and child. To promote its importance, our 3rd-year GNM students from the Institute of Nursing took the lead in spreading awareness through a thoughtfully curated poster exhibition and an interactive health education session for postnatal mothers at Jamanabai General Hospital.

The event aimed to educate new mothers on the benefits of breastfeeding, proper techniques, common challenges, and ways to ensure both physical and emotional well-being during the postpartum period. The students not only showcased their academic learning but also demonstrated their commitment to community care and maternal health.

The Art of Expression: Students Explore Storytelling



Recently, storyteller and theatre artist Shri Dhairya Pandya, along with his team, conducted an engaging workshop on storytelling and theatre for the students of Classes 6 and 7 at our EMRS, Maganpura Campus. The workshop provided children with a creative platform to explore expression, imagination, and confidence through the art of performance.

Such initiatives not only nurture communication skills but also encourage students to appreciate the richness of literature and culture in an interactive way. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Shri Dhairya Pandya and his team for their valuable time and effort in inspiring our young learners.



चमकते कलश, मुनक्कश दीवारें
टिके हुए हैं एक नींव सहारे



Sometime in 1978 Anuben had started working in the area around Goraj. During this period, she stayed in the hut built for Muni Maharaj who occasionally visited but did not stay there. However, despite its obvious advantages, Anuben found it stifling. The day-to-day affairs were managed by a trust which had been set up by those inspired by Muni Maharaj. Anuben was discussing the various problems she was facing in her work with him. There was a bunch of papers stacked in front of Muni Maharaj which dealt with the agenda and activities of the trust. A gust of wind blew them away and Muni Maharaj remarked that just as the wind blew away the papers so too would the present trust go away. He then instructed her to create a new trust which would give the opportunity to implement her aims as desired. On the 4th of March 1980 the Muni Seva Ashram Trust took shape.



Punjabhai Parmar, Vithalbhai Parmar, Isakbhai Chinwala, Somabhai Solanki, Lakshman bhai Parmar, Chandubhai Parmar, Anuben, Bachhu khan Sheikh and Parikh Bhai were the trustees who took upon themselves to turn a dream into reality.

Initially one room was put up. It was a day centre for children and a residence for Anuben at night. Subsequently two more rooms were put up, one of which was the kitchen. Four thatched straw covered mud huts were completed on the banks of the river Dev. Later a bathroom was constructed with an overhead tank which had to be filled with buckets using water brought from the river!

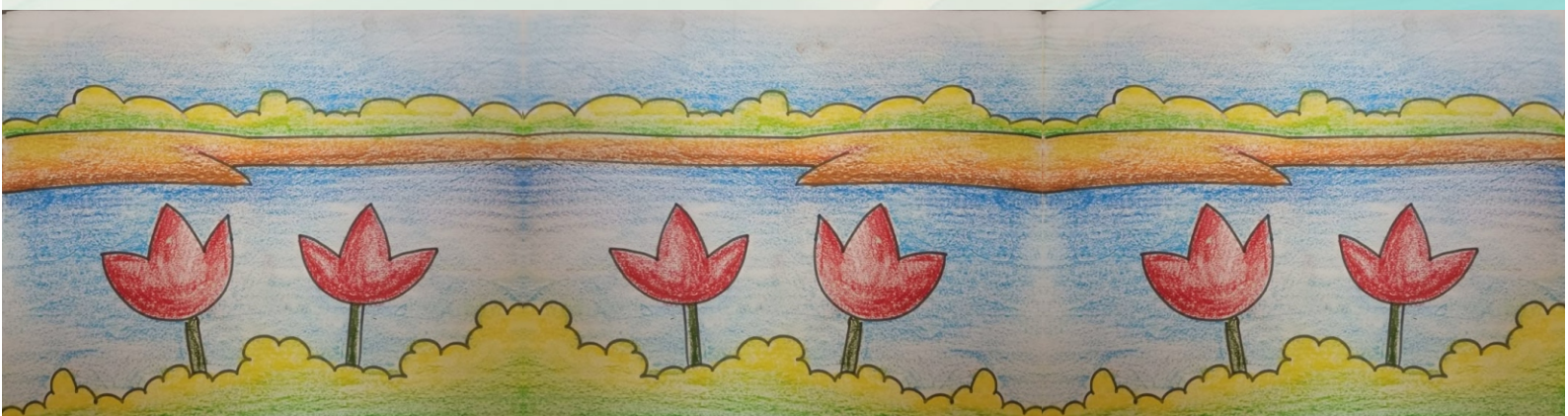
Isak Chinwala, a Dawoodi Bohra civil contractor, his partner Shri Baldiwala and Mahendra Bhai Shah who was the principal of a school in Waghodia were pillars of support who helped nurture the ashram.

Through the good offices of Isak Chinwala, Dr. Mehboob Kapadia used to visit the ashram every Sunday to provide voluntary medical services. He was doing his compulsory internship after clearing the MBBS examination. During his visits a constant nagging question was "Who will provide medical services after I complete my internship and join post graduate classes?"

So, he invited his juniors Atul Shah, Bimal Shah, Suresh Kubavat, Vikram Patel, Hamant Patel and their friends, totally twenty-eight in all, to come one Sunday for a picnic to the Ashram. Delicious food, free transport and a dip in the refreshing waters of Dev Nadi were baits which could not be resisted.



To be continued...



The tricolour flies high, and so do our dreams
for a united, dignified, and self-reliant India.



With pride and gratitude, Muni Seva Ashram celebrated Independence Day - renewing our pledge to unity, dignity for all, and building a self-reliant, just nation.



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पुण्यमी आश्विन २०२५
पञ्चमङ्गल सन्तरे ६:०० बजे, परिवारयोग

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५) विवेकानंद विद्यालय - देशभक्ति नीत - नमो मातरम्, लोको।
६) अरुण - देशभक्ति नीत - धर्म धर्म धर्म।
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८) वीहीरी - मातृ - देशभक्ति आधारित... नीत आदि।

भारत माता की जय



उत्तिष्ठ भारत

Therefore, the doubts which have arisen in your heart out of ignorance should be slashed by the weapon of knowledge. Armed with yoga, O Bhārata, stand and fight....



In the battlefield of the *Mahabharat*, Arjun stood paralysed - burdened by doubt, sorrow, and the weight of consequence. It was then that Shri Krishna spoke these words, not merely as a call to war, but as a call to awaken - to stand firm in duty and anchor one's actions in a higher purpose.

Today, India too faces a battlefield of a different kind. Our weapons are not just arms, but ideas, integrity, compassion, and unity. The challenges lie not only at our borders, but within - in division, apathy, and the erosion of trust. Our “battle” is to preserve our values, protect our sovereignty, and build a self-reliant nation where dignity belongs to all.

Krishna's call - “*Uttiṣṭha Bhārata*” - is timeless. It does not summon us only to confront an enemy, but to rise above fear, selfishness, and complacency. “*Kṛtāniścaya*” demands unwavering resolve - not the kind that flickers with convenience, but the kind that endures through storms.

True focus, He reminds us, comes not from anger, but from aligning our will with a righteous cause - one that serves the greater good. In national life, this means working not for personal gain or factional power, but for the very soul of Bharat.

In these turbulent times, this is more than a verse - it is a clarion call. It urges us to rise in unity, to fix our collective vision on justice, self-reliance, and peace, and to meet every challenge with courage rooted in wisdom.

Let us, as one Bharat, answer Krishna's eternal call - to rise, to stand together, and to act with steadfast hearts for the destiny of our nation.

Support

We have reached these milestones through your benevolent support. Your contributions, both financial and otherwise, keep us moving forward. Our expansions, construction projects, introduction of newer facilities, and beneficiary support programs are made possible by the corporate and personal support we receive. For this, we are eternally grateful.

We believe in complete transparency. Every contribution is immediately followed up with an 80G compliant receipt. Daily updates of Muni Seva Ashram are documented on our Facebook and Instagram handles, and newsletters are published on our website: www.greenashram.org For information on how to donate or offer assistance, please visit our website: www.greenashram.org

Thank you once again for your unwavering support!

We welcome your suggestions to make अनुसंधान even better. Please share your thoughts and feedback with us at anusandhan@greenashram.org