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## FUTURE SOMAYAAG IN TROUBLED SPOTS

With a spectacular Somayaag coming to a close in Pondicherry, there are going to be more in future in the troubled spots Nepal then Kashmir and possibly in Pakistan and Sri Lanka. We will keep you posted with travel info as the plans firm up....



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### Special points of interest:

E-Satsang happens Sunday 10:30AM central time and 9PM Indian Standard Time.

The Satsang has 45mts talk and 25 mts question and answer session.

# TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

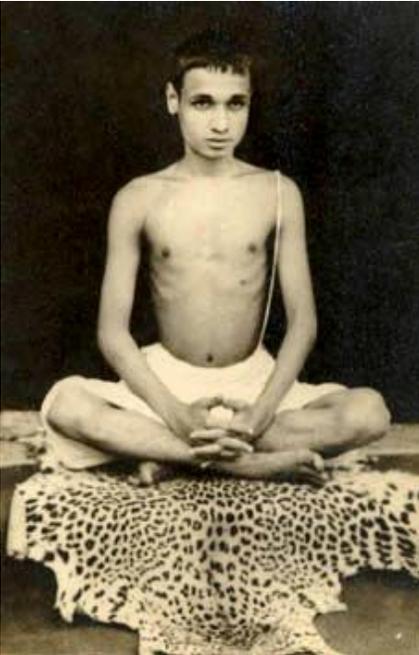


## Experiences of a spiritual process—new book to be released:

Only Shree's Grace: a unique book—a true story of a sadhaka (seeker) going thru the process of spiritual growth. Very exciting and interesting book a true story put in print for the other serious seekers so it may be the road map for success. This book originally written in Marathi and is being translated into English. "Thou art That (Tvam Tatvamasi) is my journal of spiritual experiences that resulted from sincere disciplines of meditation and day to day activities leading into profound realization of the Self. To know oneself can be possible by the Grace of Brahmanishtha Sadguru. Oh my Beloved God ! Let everybody realize IT!" says the author of this divine work...

## Thread ceremony not a formality - excerpts from works of Shri S.K. Kulkarni

The tread ceremony of Paramsadguru was performed at Sakori And Shri Maharaj never regarded it as a mere formality. Upanaya (The thread ceremony) means second Birth.



Shree Maharaj had very high regards for Upasani Baba. Baba was a chosen disciple of Sai Baba of Shirdi. Sai Baba used to refer to Upasanibaba with affection as "My Taratwala Baba". (Tarat means a piece of gunny bag). He worked with scavengers, never cared for food and eating or dress. His attire is just a piece of jute cloth (Tarat). He gave Shree Maharaj a piece of His jute cloth. This was regarded by Shree Maharaj and Prasad (gift of Sadguru). Once in Gurumandir, while talking

about Baba, Shree Maharaj told me that, "We have still preserved the piece of that jute cloth". His eyes were literally shining as he uttered these words. He looked upon the piece of Tarat as a rare precious gift. I did notice extraordinary feelings of reverence in His eyes. Great sages, saints, perfect masters etc. and their clothes are revered as inseparables. (Since the clothes are touched and worn by saints, they become objects of reverence and are preserved as such.) These articles are extremely sanctified and remain sacred forever. The

*"Every word uttered by, and every step taken by the Supreme Master or Sadguru is full of lessons to learn."*

clothes even if worn and torn are hence priceless possessions. Thus He taught me a lesson as to how to adore and preserve such divine gifts.

It is from Him alone one could understand as to how even a trifling article in fact becomes a part and parcel of one's heart. Baba Himself gave the sacred thread (yagnopavit in Sanskrit). The sacred thread ceremony implies mainly three things:

1. A homa (Vyahruti Homa) is performed
2. Sacred thread is given to the boy or girl.
3. The boy or girl is initiated to Gayatri mantra. The mantras of Upanayana include the following one-

i.e. after the thread ceremony. What is this life? In a way it is a new style: new way of life. The life is regulated with various spiritual disciplines. (i.e. religious observances) known as Vratas (Vrata=disciplines). Sometimes, therefore, the thread ceremony is referred to as Vrata bandha (vratibandha = bound by discipline) and Bhandha (i.e. binding). Shreeji demonstrated by His own behavior and practice, how to lead an ideal and disciplined life. There are very very rare examples like this in modern times. May be only handfuls. After the tread ceremony he practiced fire worship and did Suryanamaskaras (set of yoga asans—sun salutation). He continued this for a year.

After 10 months after the thread ceremony in 1926 He came to Akkalkot from Sakori. He travelled by railway. But no difference or any laxity in His disciplines which he followed—was noticed even during the railway journey.

More in the next issue...

*"His speech and His actions were always same, in other words one would never notice any difference between what He talked and what He actually did."*

# Sapta Sloki—the seven Verses and meaning...

1.Yada srushtam jagat sarvam | Tada lokapitamahah  
Chaturveda samayuktam | Shashwatam dharmamadishat

*Purport: Along with creation, Almighty Father revealed the eternal principles of religion embodied in four Vedas.*

2.Kim satkarma kim adhyatmam | Yadi vijnyatum arhati  
Sarva shastreshu grantheshu | Pramanam paramum shrutih

*Purport: What is good karma, what is the spiritual path? If you wish to know, of all the sciences and writings, Shruti (Vedas) is the standard reference.*

3. Aspashyam cha kada spashyam | Tatwajnyana wiwechanam  
Anyatra labhyate kintu | Pramanam paramam shrutih

*Purport: Sometimes clearly, sometimes not so clearly, we find the knowledge of Almighty Power discussed in various writings. However, Shruti (Vedas) is the standard reference.*

4. Arsha grantheshu sarveshu | Shruti pramanya mewacha  
Sarvatah saramadadyat | Nijakalyan hetawa

*Purport: Of all the writings of Rishis, Vedas is the standard reference. Extract the essence for the eternal benevolence.*

5. Shushkawadaratah kechin | Nanyadasteeti wadinah  
Sarwe te wilayam yanti | Mithya kalaha karinah

*Purport: Because of ignorance, prejudice or selfishness some people interpret things wrongly and proclaim that theirs is the only truth and others are wrong. People who indulge in such dry discussions will be without power.*

6. Nastikah wedanindakah | Pakhandah wedadooshakah  
Ete sarwe winashyanti | Mithyachar prawartakah

*Purport: Those who malign the Vedas, those who follow life patterns whereby Vedas are maligned, those who find fault with Vedic knowledge, those who follow life patterns whereby blemish comes to Vedic knowledge will bring about their own destruction.*

7. Yajnya dana tapah karma | svadhyaaya nirato bhavet  
Esa eva hi srutyuktah satyadharmah sanatanah

*Purport: Be engrossed in the practice of Yajnya, Daan, Tapa, Karma, and Swadhyaaya, the Fivefold Path. This is the Eternal Religion given through Vedas.*

Fivefold path is the essence of Vedas simplified by  
Param Sadguru Shree Gajanan Maharaj.

This is part of his resolve to resuscitate Vedas or Santan Dharma  
for the welfare of humanity.

Yagnya, Daan, Tapa, Karma and Swadhyaaya are the very foundation of Vedic Dharma.

It is the very science of life; life of peace, plenty and total fulfillment  
which can lead one to the supreme goal that

**I and the Almighty are One**

## Note from the editor...

The Sacred Thread Ceremony – FAQ

*Who can have it done? And Why?*

Vedas proclaim that everyone has a birth right to attain Vedic knowledge and to the sacred thread ceremony (Vrat Bandh or Upanayanam) irrespective of caste, creed or gender. There upon starts the learning and the process of spiritual disciplines. It is by virtue of such disciplines (sanskaras or practices) one chooses one's Varna Ashram.

It is based on virtues and actions or way of life. It is definitely not based on the religion or caste you are born into. The concept of caste system does not exist in the science of Vedas. Vedas which is the Science of life mentions 'Varna Ashram'. Nowhere casts as we understand it by birth is mentioned or cited.

Varna Ashram is based on Guna or the values that one lives by and Karma that is the actions that one lives in his/her day to day life. This is performed by one's own choice or free will.

A mother may have four children and each one may choose how to live their respective lives and adopt the ways of Brahman, Kshatriya, Vaishya or Shudra. It is each individual's free will.

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- ✓ Acquire supplies
- ✓ Perform Agnihotra
- ✓ Question answer session

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