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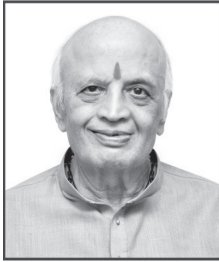


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Introduction to Authors



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Sadguru (Dr) Vasant Balaji Athavale was a renowned Paediatrician. He founded the Paediatrics Department in 1959 in Lokmanya Tilak Mahanagarpalika Hospital, Mumbai. He was Professor and Head of this Department from 1960 to 1990. He was the Chairman of the 'International Conference on Alternative Medicine' in Bangkok in 1980. In 1996, He received the international honour for the 'Best author of books on Ayurveda'. In 2001 and in 2012 respectively, He was honoured with the 'Lifetime Achievement Award' in an International conference on 'Ayurveda and Hepatic Disorders' and by the Indian Academy of Paediatrics.

1. The journey from being a seeker to becoming a disciple

A. Selflessness and the attitude of sacrifice, which are essential for spiritual practice : He started noting down higher level philosophical thoughts on Spirituality in 1980. He toiled day and night to create a vast treasure of knowledge on Spirituality. Very altruistically, He donated this treasure to Sanatan Sanstha in 1990, soon after it was established. This sacrifice, before He became a Saint, indicates the level of His spiritual practice and seekership. Due to His writings, Sanatan's Texts are now becoming inclusive in the true sense.

B. In 2004, He became a disciple of Sachchidananda Parabrahman (Dr) Athavale (A great Saint who is also His younger brother and the Founder of Sanatan Sanstha, the world-renowned spiritual organisation).

2. Attaining Sainthood

On 16.12.2012, He reached Sainthood due to His spiritual emotion, intense yearning, inquisitive nature and humility.

A. He attained Sainthood by performing spiritual practice through various Paths of Spirituality : Every person performs spiritual practice as per some path of Spirituality, becomes introverted, progresses spiritually and thus moves towards Sainthood. However, Dr Vasant Athavale attained Sainthood by performing spiritual practice as per Karmayoga (Path of action) by serving His patients, Jnanyoga (Path of knowledge) by writing Texts, Bhaktiyoga (Path of devotion) and Gurukrupayoga (Path of Guru's grace).

3. Active in seva for Sanatan's mission until His last breath

He kept performing satseva for Sanatan's mission until His last breath. When He came to know of Divine particles found in Sanatan's Ashram, He inquisitively studied the subject, contemplated on how to conduct research on this topic from a scientific perspective and gave His own suggestions.

He renounced His body on 9.11.2013 at the age of 80.



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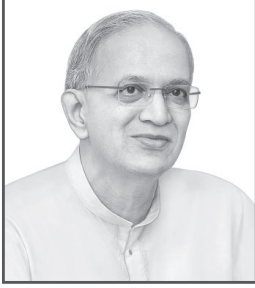
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Brief introduction to the unique mission of Sachchidananda Parabrahman (Dr) Athavale, Founder of Sanatan Sanstha



1. Established 'Sanatan Sanstha' to propagate Spirituality.
2. Proponent of 'Hindu Rashtra' (Divine Rule) ^(Note) and commencement of its mission (Year 1998).
3. Propounder of 'Gurukrupayoga' for faster God-realisation : By performing spiritual practice as per 'Gurukrupayoga', 127 seekers have become Saints and 1,058 seekers are progressing towards Sainthood as of 15.05.2024.
4. Creation of unique Spiritual texts on various topics.
5. Research on spiritual remedies for physical, psychological distress and that caused by negative energies.
6. Research using scientific instruments on religious rituals and events that are beyond the comprehension of the intellect.
7. Presenting the research conducted on sattvik Art-forms.
8. Founder-Editor of fiery Hindu Periodical 'Sanatan Prabhat'.
9. Uniting and guiding Saints, Sects, devout Hindus, etc. so as to establish the 'Hindu Rashtra'.
10. Recognising the coming dreadful times, guiding and preparing Texts to protect lives.
11. Honoured at the French Senate with 'Bharat Gaurav Award' for His exceptional contribution to the global spread of Indian culture and civilisation (5.6.2024)

(Note : हीनञ्च दूषयत्येव हिन्दुरित्युच्यते प्रिये ।, meaning - One who eliminates the inferior *Raja-Tama* components in himself is a Hindu. A Nation of such *sattvik* people is called 'Hindu Rashtra'.)

(For complete introduction, visit - www.Sanatan.org)

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Clarification on prefixing a title to Paratpar Guru (Dr) Athavale's Name

Great Maharshis have written the future in the Jeevanadipattis thousands of years ago. Saptarshis guide Sanatan Sanstha through the medium of Jeevanadipatti Readings. As per the instructions of Saptarshis through the medium of Saptarshi Jeevanadipatti on 13.7.2022, the title 'Sachchidananda Parabrahman' has been prefixed to Paratpar Guru (Dr) Athavale's Name. Even if this be so, seekers have earlier (and continue today too) addressed Him as 'Param Pujya' [or His Holiness] and 'Paratpar Guru' in their writings. We have retained the way He has been addressed by the seekers initially.



This Text deals with the peculiarities and problems of the teenagers, meaning, adolescents and their parents. Adolescence is a period of rapid growth during which sexual maturation occurs and the child becomes an adult.

The anatomy and physiology of the reproductive organs are explained and common problems of adolescence such as pimples, faulty posture, masturbation and menstrual disorders are discussed. The dangers of smoking, alcohol and drug addiction are stressed upon.

Teenagers should strive to establish their identity by continuing education, acquiring skills and proficiency in the selected subjects and imbibing good qualities so that they can become good spouses and later responsible parents and citizens.

Friction between teenagers and their parents is a common story. Important hints are given to both teenagers and their parents, so that the teenagers can pass through adolescence smoothly and develop better ties with their parents.

This Text provides details about the duties of parents and discusses the practical problems faced by parents in rearing and guiding their teenagers. The various defects in the personalities of parents and the common mistakes committed by them in rearing their teenagers are also discussed.

I am sure this Text will help both teenagers and their parents to understand each other. It will help parents guide their teenage children tactfully and give them an insight to become better parents. - **Authors**

