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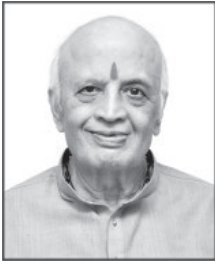


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## Introduction to Authors



### **Sanatan Sanstha's Sadguru, Doctor & Vaidyacharya Vasant Balaji Athavale**

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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.

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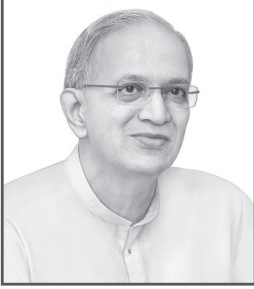
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## Brief introduction to the unique mission of Sachchidananda Parabrahman (Dr) Athavale, Founder of Sanatan Sanstha



1. Established 'Sanatan Sanstha' to propagate Spirituality.
2. Proponent of 'Hindu Rashtra' (Divine Rule) <sup>(Note)</sup> and commencement of its mission (Year 1998).
3. Propounder of 'Gurukrupayoga' for faster God-realisation : By performing spiritual practice as per 'Gurukrupayoga', 128 seekers have become Saints and 1,040 seekers are progressing towards Sainthood as of 26.07.2024.
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'.)

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**Some abbreviations used for names of  
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चरकसंहिता (च.)	सुश्रुतसंहिता (सु.)
वाभटसंहिता (वा.)	अष्टांगसंग्रहसंहिता (सं)
काश्यपसंहिता (का.)	भेलसंहिता (भे.)
हारितसंहिता (हा.)	माधवनिदान (मा.नि.)
शाङ्गधरसंहिता (शा.)	भावप्रकाशसंहिता (भा.)
योगरत्नाकर (यो.र.)	निघंटुरत्नाकर (नि.र.)

**Some abbreviations used for the sections of  
classical texts (Represented by following alphabet/s)**

सूत्रस्थान (सू.)	निदानस्थान (नि.)
विमानस्थान (वि.)	शारीरस्थान (शा.)
इंद्रियस्थान (इं.)	चिकित्सास्थान (चि.)
कल्पस्थान (क.)	सिद्धिस्थान (सि.)
खिलस्थान (खि.)	उत्तरतंत्र (उ.)
पूर्वखंड (पू.)	मध्यमखंड (म.)
उत्तरखंड (उ.)	



The respiration of the new-born commences after birth; however, the beating of the heart commences in the first three months of pregnancy and continues till death. In the first month after birth the heart rate is 140/minute. In an adult, the heart rate is 72/minute. The heart also pumps 5 litres of blood every minute. The heart is a live pump which supplies blood to the entire body and is also one that pulls the blood back from it. It is a pump that never rests. Through the medium of blood, it supplies food, water, oxygen to all the cells and organs; it transports waste too from all the cells to the kidneys, lungs and skin. During work or while running, muscles require greater amount of food, water and oxygen. At such times the heart rate increases and during sleep, the heart rate reduces. If the beating of the heart stops for even a minute, the body will not remain alive. As per Yogashastras, Anahat-chakra is positioned at the heart. From time immemorial, poets have considered the heart to be the location of the mind. In day-to-day language, we often use terms such as 'the incident is engraved on my heart' or 'from the bottom of my heart; because, the emotions of the mind continuously affect the heart and pulse rate. Muscles of the heart get blood supply through the medium of coronary artery. Developing blockages in the coronary artery leads to heart attacks. In the 2 Volumes on 'Heart Diseases', diseases of the heart and blood pressure have been analysed from the perspective of Ayurveda. The study of these Volumes will be useful for the heart patients, Vaidyas and doctors; besides, they will also get guidance on how to maintain a heart that is healthy and efficient. We pray unto the Almighty - 'May the heart patients fully recover from their disease and may all lead a healthy life !' - **Authors**

