

## **SmrutiTime! - Smaranam Bhakti - Akshara and Dhriti**

Through building SmrutiTime, our web application focused on one of the nine types of bhakti: smaranam, we set a goal to strengthen the users' connection with Maharaj and Swami by creating an interactive, playful platform that combines daily smruti memories with a personal interactive journal, along with activities. This website was made to make balaks and balikas daily remember smurti's of our guru's in a fun manner. Each day, the users are greeted with a meaningful prasang or smruti from that date in previous years, with images to refresh memories, or create new smrutis. They can then write their own journal entries in a notebook-style interface, creating a realistic and aesthetic experience that encourages consistent journaling with a satsang twist to it. Through this website, the users will be able to increase their jodaan with Maharaj and Swami, increase their satsang knowledge and depth, and practice antardrashti daily. In terms of technology, we learned to use our previous knowledge on HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python and Flask to build dynamic codes, user authentication (login) to personalize the experience, and CSS design for the notebook layout. In terms of satsang, we realized that smaranam bhakti is not just remembering past events, but doing antardrashti (reflection) on their teachings to guide our present and future decisions. This project showed us that technology can be a powerful tool to integrate bhakti into daily life meaningfully, by making doing smruti fun and personalized. We used the Telegram channel "Today in BAPS History" to gather a good collection of smrutis to add to our data collection. Overall, it strengthened our collaboration skills, problem-solving abilities, and understanding of deepening satsang into each and every users lives. While working on this project, we increased our appreciation for the power of smruti in strengthening jodaan with the Satpurush in every moment of life.