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SRI NAVADVĪPA MANDALA
Parikrama

Itinerary & General Information

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Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu's visit
to Sri Vrindavan Dham.



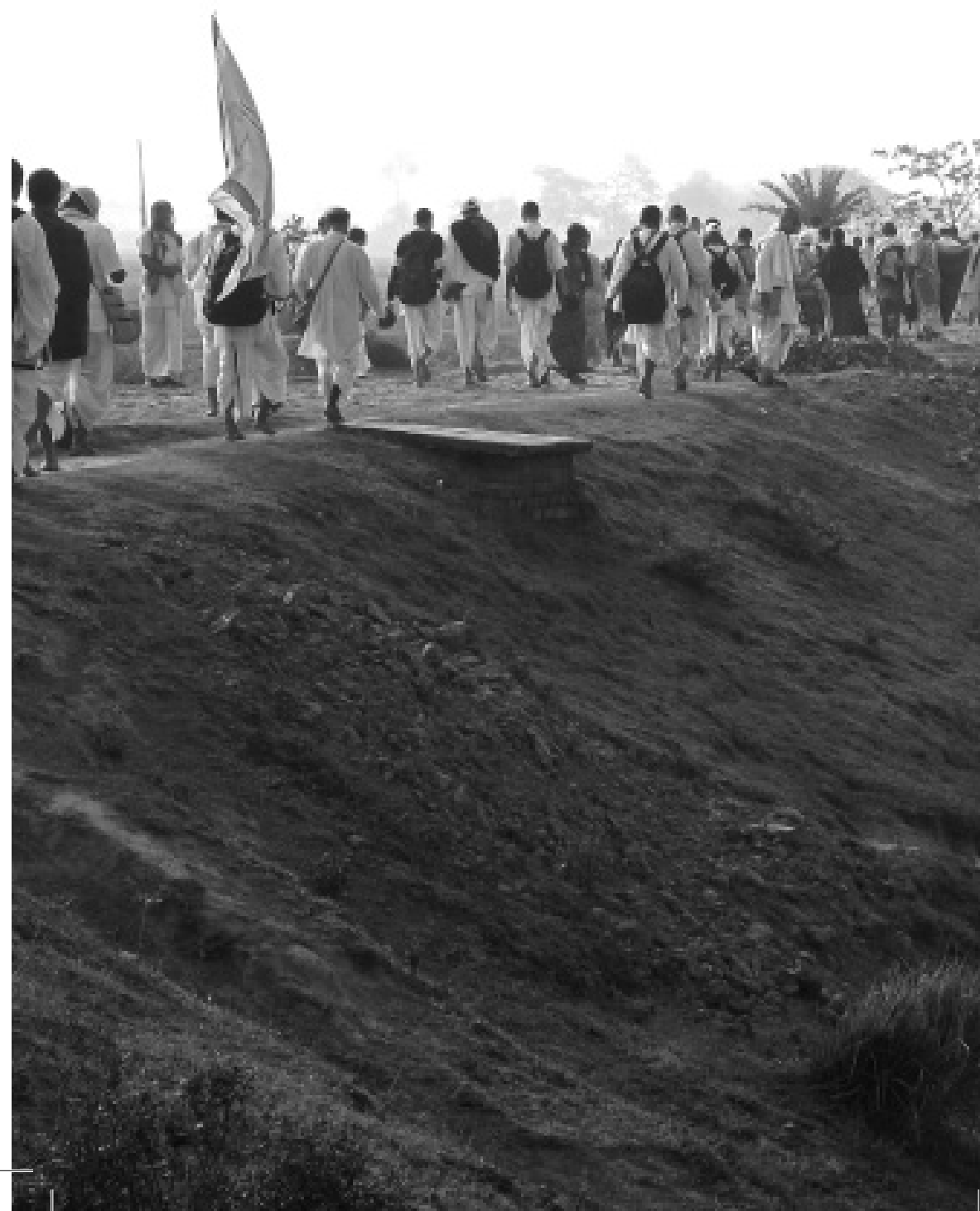
Navadvīpa

Vrindavan



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*dhule dhule gorā chānda hari guṇa gāi
āsiyā vṛndāvane nace gaura rāy*

“The moonlike Lord Gaura Chanda arrives in Vṛndavana while dancing, swaying to and fro, and singing the glories of Lord Hari.”

Bangladeshi song

author: unknown

*anya-deśa prema uchale ‘vṛndāvana’-nāme
sākṣāt bhramaye ebe sei vṛndāvane
preme garagara mana rātri-divase
snāna-bhikṣādi-nirvāha karena abhyāse*

“When Sri Caitanya Mahāprabhu was elsewhere, the very name of Vṛndavana was sufficient to increase His ecstatic love. Now, when He was actually traveling in the Vṛndavana forest, His mind was absorbed in great ecstatic love day and night. He ate and bathed simply out of habit.”

Sri Caitanya Caritamṛta Madhya Lila 17.228-229



Welcome to the
SRI NAVADVIPA MANDALA
Parikrama

2015!

Dear devotees, please accept our humble obeisances! All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to Sri Krsna Caitanya Mahaprabhu and His associates! All glories to Sri Navadvipa Dhama, the most magnanimous dham! Hare Krishna!

Welcome to Sri Mayapur for a transcendental spiritual Journey! With great pleasure, we are very happy to have you here performing the most auspicious Sri Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama in the 'Audarya-dham', the dham of compassion.

In 2015 we are celebrating the 500th anniversary of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu's visit to Sri Vrindavan Dham.

On the way to Sri Vrindavan the Lord was immersed in the deepest feelings of Love for Krsna. He came to Vrindavan from Jagannath Puri through Jarkhand forest, Varanasi, Prayaga and Mathura.

The Lord's travelling to Vrindavana Dham is an ecstatic adventure full of amazing pastimes, where Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu was distributing Krsna Prema freely to all moving and non-moving living beings. "... Tasmai Maha Premarasa pradaya Caitanya Candraya namo namas te...", Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu's special pastime is to give the sweet mellows of loving devotion for Lord Krsna to anyone.

We are very fortunate to be here, right place, right time, in the Land of Lord Gauranga and His intimate associates. The land where one can be free from all offenses and every devotional activity is a thousand times more potent than anywhere else!

On 2014, at the Silver Jubilee of Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama, about 10

thousand devotees journeyed to Sri Mayapur dham to perform Parikrama. It was a fired up program with many qualified speakers giving their rare association.

Sri Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama 2015 is not different! We are having the following guest speakers: HH Jayapataka Swami, HH Lokanatha Swami, HH Gopal Krsna Goswami, HH Kavichandra Swami, HH Bhakti Vigna Vinas Narasimha Swami, HH Radha Ramana Swami, HH Bhakti Purusottama Swami, HH Gauranga Prema Swami, HH Bhakti Ananta Krsna Goswami, HH Bhakti Nityananda Swami, HG Caitanya Candra prabhu and much more!

From their lotus mouths is flowing the nectar of the pastimes of Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu, His qualities, His associates and His Dham!

Apart from that, ISKCON Mayapur Management has been working over the years to provide extensive arrangements, delicious prasada and medical assistance to ensure Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama's devotees focus only on hearing and chanting.

The aim of this booklet is to give you information about the parikrama. This booklet is yours; you can consult it anywhere at any time. It contains mantras, prayers, information about the islands, Vaishnava etiquette, and songs.

Please try to get maximum advantage from this booklet by reading it and clearing your doubts by asking the devotees at the booth registration or during Parikrama. The devotees who can give information will be identified with a badge.

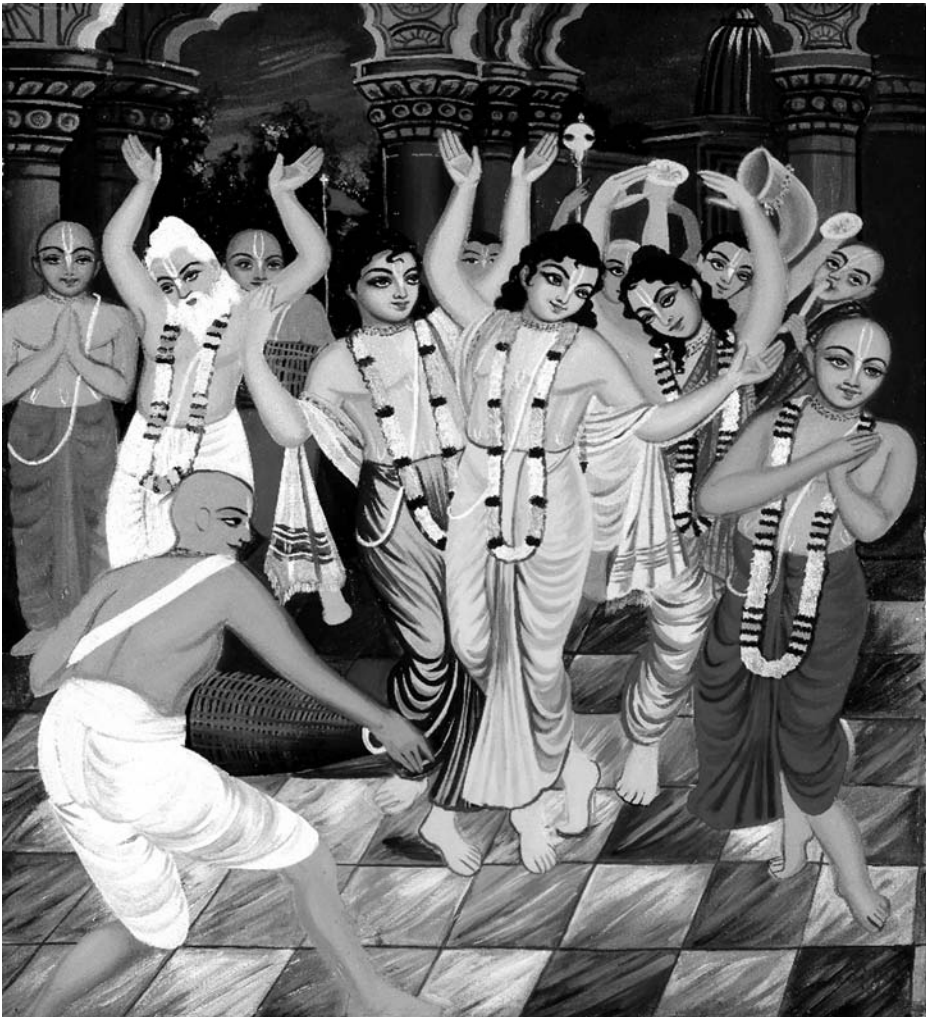
Nava means nine and dvipa means island. Each island has a connection with each of the nine process of devotional service. During 7 days we will wander in Sri Navadvipa Dham which will be a great opportunity to practice these 9 processes namely: Sravanam (listening), Kirtanam (chanting), Smaranam (remembering), Vandanam (praying), Pada Sevanam (Serving the Lord's lotus feet), Archanam (Worshiping the deities), Dasyam (becoming a servant), Sakhyam (being a friend), Atmanivedanam (Complete Surrender).

“Which is the crest-jewel of all holy abodes, which is the sporting ground of the sandhini potency, which measures sixteen krosa in circumference, which is manifest in nine islands, where the chit and ananda potencies reside, and which is the sanctuary of all holy places, demigods, sages and scriptures - May the Dhama of Sri Navadvipa become visible to my eyes.”

Sri Navadvipa Bhava Taranga, 1
By Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

Please never forget that by performing Sri Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama can change one's life forever, and one can achieve the goal of life, which is devotional service to Sri Sri Radha Krishna, by the mercy of the dhama.

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MANGALACARANA

*vande 'ham śrī-gurośrī-yuta-pada-kamalaṁ śrī-gurun vaiṣṇavāṁś ca
śrī-rūpaṁ sāgrajātaṁ saha-gaṇa-raghunāthānvitāntaṁ sa jīvaṁ
sādvaitaṁ sāvadhūtaṁ parijana-sahitaṁ kṛṣṇa-caitanya-devaṁ
śrī-rādhā-kṛṣṇa-pādān saha-gaṇa-lalitāśrī-viśākhānvitāṁś ca*

I offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus feet of my spiritual master and of all the other preceptors on the path of devotional service. I offer my respectful obeisances unto all the Vaiṣṇavas and unto the six Gosvāmīs, including Śrīla Rūpa Gosvāmī, Śrīla Sanātana Gosvāmī, Raghunātha dāsa Gosvāmī, Jīva Gosvāmī, and their associates. I offer my respectful obeisances unto Advaita Ācārya Prabhu, Śrī Nityānanda Prabhu, Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu, and all His devotees, headed by Śrīvāsa Ṭhākura. I then offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus feet of Lord Kṛṣṇa, Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī, and all the gopīs, headed by Lalitā and Viśākhā.

*nama om viṣṇu-pādāya
kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine*

*namas te sārāsvate deve
gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-sūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe*

I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupāda, who is very dear to Lord Kṛṣṇa on this earth, having taken shelter at His lotus feet.

Our respectful obeisances are unto you, O spiritual master, servant of Sarasvatī Gosvāmī. You are kindly preaching the message of Lord Caitanyadeva and delivering the Western countries, which are filled with impersonalism and voidism.

PRAYERS TO GET THE MERCY OF THE SPIRITUAL MASTER AND LORD CAITANYA MAHAPRABHU

*Mukam karoti vacalam pangum langhayate girim
yat kripa tamaham vande srigurum dinatarinam
paramananda madhavam Sri Caitanya isvaram*

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, unto the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Sri Madhava and unto Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu the Supreme Controller, they are the deliverers of the fallen souls. By their mercy the dumb can speak eloquently and the lame can cross mountains."

*caitanya-simhera navadvīpe avatāra
simha-grīva, simha-vīrya, simhera huṁkāra*

"The lion like Lord Caitanya appeared in Navadvīpa, with the shoulders of a lion, the powers of a lion and the loud voice of a lion."

*sei simha vasuk jīvera hṛdaya-kandare
kalmaṣa-dvirada nāṣe yānhāra huṁkāre*

. "May that lion be seated in the core of the heart of every living being, that with His resounding roar, He may drive away one's elephantine vices."

CC Adi Lila 3.30.31

*kṛṣṇa-nama-cintamani, akhila rasera khani,
nitya-mukta suddha-rasa-moy
namera balai jata, saba lo'ye hoi hata,
tabe mora sukhera uday*

"The name of Kṛṣṇa is touchstone, a mine of all devotional mellows, eternally liberated, and the embodiment of pure rasa. When all impediments to the pure chanting of the holy name are taken away and destroyed, then my happiness will know its true awakening"

Kṛṣṇa nam bare koto bal, 8 by Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

WHY SHOULD WE AVOID OFFENSES MEANWHILE STAY IN THE DHAMA?

Srila Prabhupada explained that the results of all devotional activities performed in the holy dhama are magnified a thousand times. Therefore, one can make rapid advancement if one lives offenselessly in the holy dhama. But if we commit offenses, the results of those offenses are also magnified one thousand times. Therefore, one is advised to carefully avoid committing any offense in the holy dhama.

Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura has listed ten offenses against the holy dhama that we must carefully avoid in order to be fully benefitted from our visit to or residence in the holy dhama:

1. To disrespect one's spiritual master who reveals the dhama to the disciple
2. To think that the holy dhama is temporary.
3. To commit violence towards any of the residents of the holy dhama or to any of the pilgrims who come there, or to think that they are ordinary people. Srila Prabhupada writes: "All the inhabitants of Vrindavana are Vaisnavas. They are all auspicious because somehow or other they always chant the holy name of Krishna" (C.C.Adī 5.232, purport).
4. To perform mundane activities while living in the holy dhama.
5. To utilize the dhama for personal economic development by commercializing deity worship and sankirtana in the holy dhama.
6. To think that the holy dhama belongs to a mundane country or province, such as Bengal; to think that the Lord's dhama is equal to a place connected with some demigod, or to attempt to measure the area of the holy dhama.
7. To commit sinful acts while residing in the holy dhama
8. To consider Vrindavana-dhama as different from Navadvīpa-dhama.
9. To blaspheme the sastras those assert the glorious position of the holy dhama.
10. To be faithless and think that the glories of the dhama are imaginary.

DRESS CODE AND VAISHNAVA BEHAVIOR FOR SRI NAVADVIPA MANDALA PARIKRAMA

Dear prabhus and matajis,

Sri Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama is an ancient religious activity, performed by many great saints for hundreds of years. We will wonder in the very sacred place of Lord Caitanya, Lord Nityananda and His associates. The village people see us as saintly persons and when they see that we are dressing otherwise or that we are behaving like ordinary people, they become confused, and it can damage ISKCON's reputation, Srila Prabhupada's legacy and it can prevent us from achieving our goals. What are our goals? We are there not only for our self-purification, but also to spread the holy name around and to preach the glories of Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu. The village people rarely talk to us; therefore they will see us by our dress and behavior.

Thus, we beg you to please follow the dress code and Vaishnava behavior for Sri Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama.

▷ DRESS CODE:

For prabhus:

- Dothi and kurta
- Avoid: t-shirt with strange names and sentences, lungi (dothi without pleats behind)

For matajis:

- Sari with head covered, otherwise you can use a Gopi dress (skirt, choli and dupata that covers you in the back)
- Hair must be tied.

Avoid:

- Skirt and t-shirt
- Kurta and pants

▷ VAISHNAVA BEHAVIOR:

- Couples should avoid their interactions in public (like intimate contacts as holding hands).

- Single men and single women should not go together in the same rikshaw or freely talk and walk together.
- Devotees should not drink or eat from public shops.
- Devotees must be gentle and kind with the village people, if you don't understand what they are speaking, just smile and say "Hare Krishna", if you have any problem in your communication with them, please call an Indian devotee.

▷ **WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BRING?**

1. A torch.
2. A bucket and mug for washing clothes.
3. A cup or a bowl for drinking water and milk.
4. A mat (straw or rubber) to rest upon.
5. A blanket or a sleeping bag.
6. A mosquito net and mosquito repellent.
7. Bathroom set
8. Avoid bringing too many clothes and belongings.
9. A rope (for hanging your clothes)
10. Vaseline and a foot-brush.

▷ **PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT:**

1. The less you bring the better. Leave excess luggage locked in your room in Mayapur or at the luggage store-room (Gada Reception).
2. When taking photos or filming pilgrimage places, wait until all the devotees have taken darshan, in order not to obstruct the traffic.
4. You do not need to bring a lot of lakshmi; take only some reserve money for emergency, a little money for your coconut-water and some small change for donations to the temples on the way. Don't bring your passport with you!
5. If you are sensitive to the sun, you may need to wear a hat, or use sunblock.
6. Please don't leave campsite after sunset due to security reasons.
7. If you have to take any medicine regularly, please bring it.

▷ **PLEASE DO:**

1. When taking bath stay nearby the shore for your own safety.



2. Matajis must wear proper clothes to take bath in the Ganga (kurta and skirt for example)
3. When you are distributing prasada, please take care of your belongings simultaneously.
4. We encourage you to walk without shoes during Parikrama, to get the maximum benefit.

▷ **PLEASE DO NOT:**

1. Go alone to take bath in the Ganga.
2. Talk inside the rooms when the lights go out in camp.
3. Use rikshaws for a long period of time on the Parikrama path. Parikrama means: we need to walk, to get the maximum benefit.
5. Set up your own tent inside the rooms. They must be set up outside on the camp ground. Please talk to the camp in charge.
6. Throw garbage anywhere in camp, dust bins are provided.
7. Mix with the opposite sex during the walking period, if you are a prabhu stick to the prabhu's side and if you are a mataji, stick to the mataji's side.
8. Put your shoes near the prasada site, this is offensive.

▷ **STRICTLY PROHIBITED:**

1. Going outside of the camp after sunset (especially for matajis and even for prabhujis for safety purposes).
2. Any kind of fire inside the camp, including incense and spiral for mosquitos.
3. Taking motor rikshaws on the Parikrama path, it makes a lot of noise and disturbs the kirtan and the devotees that are walking.



NAVADVIPA MANDALA PARIKRAMA SCHEDULE

21st February:

Parikramā Adhivāsa - Māyāpur Chandrodaya Mandir to Yogapīṭha. (Antardvipa)

22nd February:

Māyāpur Chandrodaya Mandir to Harihara-kṣetra.

23th February:

Harihara-kṣetra to Swarup Ganj.

24th February:

Swarup Ganj to Pratāp Nagar.

25th February:

Pratāp Nagar to Vidyānagar.

26st February:

Vidyānagar to Belpukur.

27nd February:

Belpukur to Jagannātha temple.

28rd February:

Jagannātha temple to Māyāpur Chandrodaya Mandir.

DAILY PROGRAM ON THE PARIKRAMA

4.30 a.m. - Maṅgala-ārati.

5.30 a.m. - Announcements.

5.45 a.m. - Packing and loading luggage.

6.00 a.m. - Departure.

9.30 a.m. - Breakfast prasādam on the way.

1.00 p.m. - Arrival at destination.

2.00 p.m. - Lunch prasadam.

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. - Free time.

5.00 p.m. – Question and Answers lead by senior devotees.

6.00 p.m. - Sandhyā-ārati.

6:20 p.m - Special Bhajan

6:30 p.m– Special evening classes giving by different sannyasis and senior devotees

8.20 p.m. – Milk time

9:00 p.m- Lights will be of on the camp



DAY 0
21ST FEBRUARY, 2015

Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama Adhivasa

Antardvipa, Mayapur

“The home of Lord Gaura youthful pastimes, Sri Mayapura, where the ground is soft, there are many splendors of many jewels, wonderful sounds of many birds and animals, wonderful trees and vines with many flowers, is my life and soul”

Sri Navadvipa Sataka, 6
By Sripad Prabodhananda Sarasvati

Where: Yoga Pitha (Lord Caitanya appeared in this place and was living here till He accepted sannyasa. After Mahaprabhu took sannyasa, Saci Mata, Vishnupriya Devi and their servants such as Isana Thakur remained here for many years. Many saintly persons were doing pilgrimage here, such as Narottama das Thakur, Srinivas Acharya, Raghava Pandit and others)

▷ **PROGRAM:**

- Speech by different Sannyasis and Srimad Bhagavatam class.
- Samkalpa vow (praying for the blessings of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu to perform Parikrama).

▷ **MEETING POINT:**

- ISKCON main gate

▷ **WHAT TIME:**

- 6:00 am

▷ **DEITIES FROM YOGA PITHA**

(All these deities were installed by Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur and Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Thakur)

1. Śrī Śrī Rādhā Mādhava and Śrī Gaurāṅga
2. Śrī Gaurasundara, Śrī Lakṣmīpriyā and Śrī Viṣṇupriyā

3. Jagannātha & Pañca-tattva
4. Jagannātha Miśra, Śacīmātā and Baby Nimāi
5. Kṣetrapāla Śiva
6. Lakṣmī Narasimhadeva
7. Gaura Gadādhara
8. Bharadvāja-tilā

HOLY PLACES TO VISIT

1. Jayadeva Goswāmi's Śrīpāt(house)
2. Mahāprabhu Ghāt
3. Barkonā Ghāt
4. Vṛddha Śiva Ghāt
5. Mādhāi Ghāt
6. Nagariā Ghāt

DAY 1
22ND FEBRUARY, 2015

Godrumadvīpa (Process: kīrtanam)

“Millions and Millions of Cintamani jewel may meet together in some other place. Lord Hari may personally appear in some other place before everyone's eyes. Still, my body darkened with Godruma's dust will never go to anywhere else.”

Sri Navadvīpa Sataka, 7 By Sripad Prabodhananda Sarasvati

ROUTE: Māyāpur Candrodāya Mandir to Harihara-kṣetra

- Total distance to cover: 12 Km.
 - Starts at: 6.00 a.m.
 - Transportation: Boat from Prabhupada Ghāt to Pañcānan Talā (via Shambhunagar Ghāt)
 - Breakfast: at Pañcānan Talā
 - Overnight: at Harihara-kṣetra
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HOLY PLACES TO VISIT

1. Nandana Ācārya Bhavan: The place where Lord Caitanya and Lord Nityananda first met.
2. Narasimhapallī: Śrī Narasimhadeva rested here after killing Hiranyakaśipu.
3. Devapallī: Śrī Narasimhadeva was worshiped by the devas here.
4. Mandākinī Lake: In this lake Śrī Narasimhadeva washed His nails which were tainted by Hiranyakaśipu's blood.
5. Alakanandā River
6. Harihara-ksetra (half Viṣṇu, half Siva deity will be seen there)

DAY 2
23RD FEBRUARY, 2015

Godrumadvīpa

(Process: kīrtanam)

“...Surabhi devi stays there eternally under the banyam tree and constantly serves the lotus feet of Lord Gaurāṅga. Because mother Surabhi is staying here on this island under a banyam tree, it is known as Godrumadvīpa. Go means cow and druma means tree. All the desires of the devotees are fulfilled here. If anyone worships Lord Gaurāṅga residing here in a hut, he will attain His lotus feet.”

Sri Navadvīpa Parikrama by Bhakti Purusottama Swami page 105

ROUTE: Harihara-kṣetra to Swarup Gaṅj

- Total distance to cover: 8 Km.
 - Start: Harihara-kṣetra at 6.00 a.m.
 - Breakfast: at Gauradaha
 - Overnight: at ISKCON Bhaktivedanta Ārogya Āśrama (Swarup Gaṅj)
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HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. Ām-ghāṭa: Here Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu planted a mango seed which immediately developed into a tree bearing ripe fruits.
2. Suvarṇa Vihār: Site of the capital city of King Suvarṇa Sena, who later appeared as Buddhimanta Khān, an associate of Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu.
3. Gauradaha.
4. Svānanda Sukhada Kuṅja: Gaura Gadādhara Temple, residence and Samādhi of Śrīla Bhaktivinoda Ṭhākura.
5. Bhajan Kuṭīr of Gaurakiśora dāsa Bābāji Mahārāja.
6. Samādhi Mandir of Kṛṣṇadāsa Bābāji. (Śrīla Bhaktivinoda Thakur's dear servant)
7. Surabhi Kuṅja: Lord Indra came with Surabhi and worshiped Lord Caitanya to seek pardon for his offense (it happened in Dvaparā Yuga). Śrīla Bhaktivinoda Ṭhākura started the head office of the Nāma-haṭṭa preaching program here.
8. ISKCON Bhaktivedānta Ārogya Āśrama with deities of Jagannatha, Baladeva, Subhadra and Sri Gaura Nitai.

DAY 3
24TH FEBRUARY, 2015

Madhyadvīpa

(Process: smaraṇam)

“When will the devotees who are residents of Madhyadvīpa be merciful and show me, ‘Oh look! Here is our Lord, Gaurāṅga Śrī Hari!’... He is dancing and chanting with His associates in a grand kīrtana. When will I see that astounding form of Gaura with a beautiful complexion like pure gold, wearing a garland of forest flowers, with two long arms, and booming in a loud voice, ‘O brothers! All of you please chant the holy name in unison!’ At that moment, all the devotees headed by Śrīvāsa will shout ‘Hari! Hari!’ and begin performing sankīrtana. Someone will exclaim, ‘Chant the name of Gaurāhari, dear brother! without Gaura we cannot attain the service of Rādhā and Kṛṣṇa!’”

Śrīla Bhaktivinoda Thakura, Navadvīpa-bhava-taraṅga



Koladvīpa

(Process: pāda-sevanam)

“All glories, all glories to Koladvīpa’s forest, which stand by the Ganges’ shore, which are worshiped by the leaders of the demigods and which are filled with the wonderful opulences of many birds, beasts, trees, vine, groves, lakes, ponds, open land, hills, and flowing streams!”

Navadvīpa Sataka, by Sri Prabodhananda Sarasvati

ROUTE: Bhaktivedānta Ārogya Āśrama to Pratāp Nagar

- Total distance to cover: 13 Km.
 - Start: Bhaktivedānta Ārogya Āśrama at 6.00 a.m.
 - Transportation: Boat ride from Gaurāṅga Setu to Barāl Ghāt
 - Breakfast: at Pañcaveṇī (Next to Gaurāṅga Setu)
 - Overnight: at Pratāpnagar
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HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. Haṁsa-vāhana: Lord Śiva rode on Lord Brahmā’s swan in order to reach the place where Sūta Gosvāmī was describing the glories of Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu.
2. Naimiṣāraṇya
3. Gomati River.
4. Brahma Puṣkara.
5. Kurukṣetra.
6. Pañcaveṇī (Confluence of five holy rivers): Crossing Gaṅgā by boat.
7. Prauḍha-Māyā Mandir.

SPECIAL PROGRAM:

Mahā Harināma Saṅkīrtana through the streets of Sri NAVADVĪPA town.

8. Bhajan Kuṭīr of Jagannātha dāsa Bābājī Mahārāja.
9. Śrī Dhāmeśvara Mahāprabhu: Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu’s Deity worshiped by His consort Śrīmatī Viṣṇupriyā-devī.

DAY 4
25TH FEBRUARY, 2015

Rtadvīpa

(Process: arcanam)

“The island called Rtadvīpa is very enchanting, covered with numerous kinds of forests. It is where all the seasons headed by spring are eternally engaged in service of Lord Gouranga. The very land relieves all troubles, for it is the abode of transcendental bliss. This area is the same as Radha Kunda in Vraja.”

Navadvīpa Bhava Taranga by Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

ROUTE: Pratāpnagar to Vidyānagar

- Total distance to cover: 13 Km.
 - Start: Pratāp Nagar at 6.00 a.m.
 - Transportation: By boat from Pratāp Nagar (Nidayā Ghāt) to Samudragaḍa
 - Breakfast: at Cāmpāhāṭī
 - Overnight: at Vidyānagar High School
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HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. Samudragaḍa: King Samudra Sena used to live here.
2. Cāmpāhāṭī: Gaura Gadādhara Mandir, Residence of Dvija Vāṇīnātha.
3. Rātupura: Replica of Rādhā-kuṇḍa
4. Vidyānagar: Birth place of Sārvabhauma Bhaṭṭācārya and residence of his brother Vidyāvācaspati.



DAY 5
26TH FEBRUARY, 2015

Jahnudvīpa (Process: vandanam)

“I pray that birth after birth I may be a clump of grass in the land of Jahnudvīpa, which is worship by the king of the demigods. That would be my joy’

Sri Navadvīpa Sataka, 13 By Sripad Prabodhananda Sarasvati

Modadrūmadvīpa (Process: dāsyam)

“This island of Modadrūma is non-different from the forest of Sri Bhandiravan in Vraja. All the animals and birds are fully spiritual entities having the nature of pure goodness. In the branches of the trees sit cuckoos who incessantly sing the glories of Lord Gaurāṅga, Sita and Rama.”

Navadvīpa Bhava Taranga, 110 By Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

Rudradvīpa (Process: sakhyam)

When Sankarācārya came to this place, Gaurācandra appeared to him in a dream and mercifully spoke to him in sweet words, “You are My servant. Following My orders, you are preaching effectively the Mayavāda doctrine. But as Navadvīpa-dhama is very dear to Me, the Mayavāda philosophy has no place here. On My behalf, Vṛiddha Siva and Praudha Maya spread the imaginary impersonal interpretations of scriptures, but only to those people who envy the devotees of the Lord. In this way I cheat them. Since this Navadvīpa-dhama is generally a place for My devotees, not for the envious, you should go somewhere else. Do not contaminate the inhabitants of Navadvīpa.”

Sri Navadvīpa dhama Mahatmya By Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

ROUTE: Vidyānagar to Belpukur by boat

- Total distance to cover: 14 Km.
 - Start: from Vidyānagar at 6.00 a.m.
 - Boat ride from Nidayā Ghāṭ to Shankarpur
 - Breakfast: at Pratap Nagar
 - Overnight: at Belpukur
-

HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. The āśrama of Jahnu Muni from whom Gaṅgā takes the name Jāhnavī (“daughter of Jahnu”).
2. Sāraṅga Murāri’s Śrīpaṭ (house) and Vāsudeva Datta’s Deity.
3. Māmgāchi: The birth place of Vṛndāvana dāsa Ṭhākura.
4. Arka-ṭilā: Nondifferent from Sūrya-kuṇḍa.

SPECIAL PROGRAM:

Crossing Ganga by boat

5. Śaṅkarapura: Śrīpāda Śaṅkarācārya had darśana of Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu.
6. Ruins of Śacīmātā’s house.
7. Belpukur: Temple of Madana Gopāla worshiped by Nilāmbara Cakravartī and Śacīmātā.

DAY 6

27TH FEBRUARY, 2015

Sīmantadvīpa

(Process: śravaṇam)

Isana Thakur said: “Whoever sees this Sīmantadvīpa once will have achieved success in life. He will very easy become free from the fear of material existence. People still worship Parvati devi here and by her mercy they do not feel any suffering or experience any problems. In this Sīmantadvīpa village Lord Gaurāṅga had many pastimes with His unlimited number of associates. How can I explain with my one mouth the happiness manifested here during



the time of the nagara-sankirtana.”

Bhakti Ratnakara by Narahari Cakravarti

ROUTE: Belpukur to Jagannātha Mandir

- Total distance to cover: 9 Km.
 - Start: Belpukur at 6.00 a.m.
 - Breakfast: at Jagannātha Mandir
 - Overnight: at Jagannātha Mandir
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HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. Pañcavaktra Śiva Sthāna.
2. Bilvapuskar: (Replica of Bilvavana in Vṛndāvana.)
3. Meghera Chara.
4. Sīmantiṇī Devī Temple.
5. Chānd Kāzi Samādhi.
6. Jagannātha Temple.
7. Śrīdhara Aṅgana: The residence of Kolavecā Śrīdhara.

DAY 7
28TH FEBRUARY, 2015

Antardvīpa
(Process: ātma-nivedanam)

“The scriptures sing of a transcendental place called Brahmaṇḍapur. In that realm, Mayapur shines before one’s eyes freed from illusion. Identical with Sri Gokula in the forest of Mahavan of Braja, and vastly superior to all other places in creation, that place is where the Son of Saci performs His eternal pastimes.”

*Description of Antardvīpa in Navadvīpa Bhava Taranga book
by Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur*

ROUTE: Jagannātha Mandir to ISKCON Māyāpur Chandrodaya Mandir

- Total distance to cover: 5 Km.
 - Start: from Jagannātha Mandir at 6.00 a.m.
 - Breakfast: at Bhaktivinoda Institute
 - Final Destination: ISKCON Māyāpur Chandrodaya Mandir
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SPECIAL PROGRAM:

Grand union of the two parikramā parties at Yogapīṭha.

HOLY PLACES TO VISIT:

1. Murari Gupta Prabhu's temple: Śrī Śrī Sītā Rāma worshipped by Murāri Gupta Prabhu.
2. Śrī Caitanya Maṭh (Candraśekhara Ācārya Bhavan).
3. Śrīla Bhaktisiddhānta Sarasvatī Ṭhākura Bhajan Kuṭīr.
4. Śrīla Bhaktisiddhānta Sarasvatī Ṭhākura Samādhi.
5. Śrīla Gaurakīśora dāsa Bābājī's Samādhi.
6. Khol Bhaṅga Ḍaṅgā: The soldiers of Chānd Kazi broke the mṛdaṅgas played by Lord Caitanya Mahāprabhu here.
7. Advaita Bhavan: Residence of Advaita Ācārya Prabhu.
8. Gadādhara Bhavan: Residence of Śrī Gadādhara Paṇḍita.
9. Śrīvāsa Aṅgan: Residence of Śrīvāsa Ṭhākura.
10. Yogapīṭha: Birthplace of Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu.



VAISHNAVA SONGS

Srila Prabhupada once told, “These Vaishnava songs are like a thunderbolt which can crack mountain-like hearts. The mountain does not know the power of a thunderbolt but it will crack him.”

He also said, “Everybody should sing Vaishnava songs”. Somebody can say that we don’t know Bengali so we don’t understand the meaning. To this argument Srila Prabhupada says, “Then also you should sing these Vaishnava songs.”

Srila Prabhupada said that if one understands the purports of the song of Bhaktivinoda Thakur and Narottama das Thakur that is sufficient to attain Love of God.

KRSNA KIRTAN ON THE SACRED PLACES!

Dear devotees, please keep the booklet with you! We will sing these songs in some places of pilgrimage like Yoga Pitha, Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur’s Samadhi, Surabhi Kunja, Mamgachi and every evening before the special classes starts.



Sri Sikshastakam

by Sri Krsna Caitanya Mahaprabhu

1

*ceto-darpana-marjanam bhava-maha--davagni-nirvapanam
shreyah-kairava-chandrika-vitaranam vidya-vadhu-jivanam
anandambudhi-varadhanam prati-padam purnamritaswadanam
sarvatma-snapanam param vijayate sri-krishna-sankirtanam*

Glory to the Sri Krishna Sankirtana, which cleanses the heart of all the dust accumulated for years and extinguishes the fire of conditional life, of repeated birth and death. This sankirtana movement is the prime benediction for humanity at large because it spreads the rays of the benediction moon. It is the life of all transcendental knowledge. It increases the ocean of transcendental bliss, and it enables us to fully taste the nectar for which we are always anxious.

2

*namnam akari bahudha nija-sarva-shaktis
tatrapita niyamitah smarane na kalah
etadrishi tava kripa bhagavan mamapi
durdaivam idrisham ihajani nanuragaha*

O my Lord, Your holy name alone can render all benedictions to living beings, and thus You have hundreds and millions of names like Krishna and Govinda. In these transcendental names You have invested all Your transcendental energies. There are not even hard and fast rules for chanting these names. O my Lord, out of kindness You enable us to easily approach You by Your holy names, but I am so unfortunate that I have no attraction for them.

3

*trinad api sunichena
taror api sahishnuna
amanina manadena
kirtaniyah sada harih*

One should chant the holy name of the Lord in a humble state of mind, thinking oneself lower than the straw in the street; one should be more tolerant than a tree, devoid of all sense of false prestige and should be ready to offer all respect to others. In such a state of mind one can chant the holy name of the Lord constantly.



4

*na dhanam na janam na sundarim
kavitam va jagad-isha kamaye
mama janmani janmanishvare
bhavatad bhaktir ahaituki twayi*

O almighty Lord, I have no desire to accumulate wealth, nor do I desire beautiful women, nor do I want any number of followers. I only want Your causeless devotional service birth after birth.

5

*ayi nanda-tanuja kinkaram
patitam mam vishame bhavambudhau
kripaya tava pada-pankaja-
sthita-dhuli-sadrisham vichintaya*

O son of Maharaja Nanda [Krishna], I am Your eternal servitor, yet somehow or other I have fallen into the ocean of birth and death. Please pick me up from this ocean of death and place me as one of the atoms at Your lotus feet.

6

*nayanam galad-ashru-dharaya
vadanam gadgada-ruddhaya gira
pulkair nichitam vapuh kada
tava nama-grahane bhavishyati*

O my Lord, when will my eyes be decorated with tears of love flowing constantly when I chant Your holy name? When will my voice choke up, and when will the hairs of my body stand on end at the recitation of Your name?

7

*yugayitam nimeshena
chakshusha pravrishtayitam
shunyayitam jagat sarvam
govinda-virahena me*

O Govinda! Feeling Your separation, I am considering a moment to be like twelve years or more. Tears are flowing from my eyes like torrents of rain, and I am feeling all vacant in the world in Your absence.

8

*ashlishya va pada-ratam pinashtu mam
adarshanan marma-hatam karotu va*

*yatha tatha va vidadhatu lampato
mat-prana-nathas tu sa eva naparah*

I know no one but Krishna as my Lord, and He shall remain so even if He handles me roughly by His embrace or makes me broken hearted by not being present before me. He is completely free to do anything and everything, for He is always my worshipful Lord unconditionally.

Bhaja Gauranga

By Lord Nityananda

(1)

*bhaja gauranga kaha gauranga laha gaurangera nama re
jei jana gauranga bhaje, sei hoy amara prana re*

(2)

Gauranga boliya du bahu tuliya nachiya nachiya berao re

(3)

Gauranga bhajile gauranga jopile hoy dukhyero aboshaan re

TRANSLATION

- 1) Worship Gauranga, say "Gauranga", chant Gauranga's name! He who worships Gauranga is my life and soul!
- 2) Chanting "Gauranga", go out, dancing with your two arms upraised!
- 3) One's miseries end by worshipping Gauranga, by chanting "Gauranga".

Udilo Aruna

(We sing this song on the Parikrama every morning at 6 am)

(1)

*udilo aruṇa pūraba-bhāge,
dwija-maṇi gorā amani jāge,
bhakata-samūha loiyā sāthe,
gelā nagara-brāje*

(2)

'tāthāī tāthāī bājalo khol,
ghana ghana tāhe jhājera rol,
preme ḍhala ḍhala soṇāra aṅga,
caraṇe nūpura bāje

(3)

mukunda mādhava yādava hari,
bolena bolo re vadana bhorī',
miche nida-baṣe gelo re rāti,
divasa śarīra-sāje

(4)

emana durlabha mānava-deho,
pāiyā ki koro bhāva nā keho,
ebe nā bhajile yaśodā-suta,
carama poribe lāje

(5)

udita tapana hoile asta,
dina gelo boli' hoibe byasta,
tabe keno ebe alasa hoy,
nā bhaja hṛdoya-rāje

(6)

jīvana anitya jānaha sār,
tāhe nānā-vidha vipada-bhār,
nāmāśraya kori' jatane tumi,
thākaha āpana kāje

(7)

jīvera kalyāna-sādhana-kām,
jagate āsi' e madhura nām,
avidyā-timira-tapana-rūpe,
hṛd-gagane birāje

(8)

kṛṣṇa-nāma-sudhā koriyā pān,
jurāo bhakativinoda-prāṇ,
nāma binā kichu nāhiko āro,
caudda-bhuvana-mājhe

TRANSLATION

- 1 When the rising sun appeared in the East, the jewel of the twice-born, Lord Gaurasundara, awakened, and, taking His devotees with Him, He went all over the countryside towns and villages
- 2 The mṛdangas (khol) resounded "tāthaī, tāthaī," and the jhājas [large metal karatālas that look like small cymbals] in that kīrtana played in time. Lord Gaurāṅga's golden form slightly trembled in ecstatic love of Godhead, and His foot bells jingled.
- 3 All the devotees chanted the names Mukunda, Mādhava, Yadava and Hari, their mouths being filled with the vibrations. They would announce to the still sleeping people, "You spend your nights uselessly sleeping and your days decorating your bodies!"
- 4 You have achieved such a rare human body, but you do not care for this gift. You remain not serving the darling of Yaśodā and slowly fall through your last moments to death.
- 5 With every rising and setting of the sun, a day passes and is lost. Then, why do you remain idle and not serve the Lord of the heart?
- 6 This temporary life is full of various miseries. Take shelter of the holy name as your only business.
- 7 To penetrate the darkness of ignorance and bless everyone's heart, the holy name has risen like the shining sun.
- 8 Drink the pure nectar of the holy name. There is nothing but the name to be had in the fourteen worlds. It has filled the soul of Śrī Bhaktivinoda Thākura.

Jiv Jago

(1)

*jīv jāgo, jīv jāgo, gauracānda bole
kota nidrā jāo māyā-piśācīra kole*

(2)

*bhajibo boliyā ese saṁsāra-bhitare
bhuliyā rohile tumi avidyāra bhare*



(3)

*tomāre loite āmi hoinu avatāra
āmi binā bandhu āra ke āche tomāra*

(4)

*enechi auṣadhi māyā nāśibāro lāgi'
hari-nāma mahā-mantra lao tumi māgi'*

(5)

*bhaktivinoda prabhu-caraṇe pariṇā
sei hari-nāma-mantra loilo māgiyā*

TRANSLATION

- 1 Lord Gaurāṅga is calling, "Wake up, sleeping souls! Wake up, sleeping souls! How long will you sleep in the lap of the witch called Māyā?"
- 2 You have forgotten the way of devotional service and are lost in the world of birth and death.
- 3 I have descended just to save you; other than Myself you have no friend in this world.
- 4 I have brought the medicine that will wipe out the disease of illusion from which you are suffering. Take this mahā-mantra-Hare Kṛṣṇa, Hare Kṛṣṇa, Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa, Hare Hare/Hare Rāma, Hare Rāma Rāma Rāma, Hare Hare."
- 5 śrīla Bhaktivinoda Thākura says: "I fall at the Lord's feet, having taken this mahā-mantra."

Dule Dule Gaurachand

(1)

*dhule dhule gorā chānda
hari guṇa gāi
āsiyā vṛndāvane
nace gaura rāy*

(2)

*vṛndāvaner tarūr latā
preme koy hari kathā
nikuñjer pākhi guli
hari nām sonāi*

(3)

*gaura bole hari hari
sāri bole hari hari
mukhe mukhe suka sāri
hari nām gāi*

(4)

*hari nāme matta hoye
harīna āsiche deī
mayur mayurī preme
nāciya khelāy*

(5)

*praṇe hari dhyāne hari
hari bolo badan bhoṛi
harinām geye geye
rase gale jāi*

(6)

*āsiyā jamunār kule
nāce hari hari bole
jamunā uṭhole ese
caraṇa dhoyāi*

TRANSLATION

- 1) The moonlike Lord Gaura Chanda arrives in Vrndavana while dancing, swaying to and fro, and singing the glories of Lord Hari.
- 2) The creepers adorning the trees of Vrndavana are overwhelmed with ecstatic love, and they are speaking about the glories of Lord Hari. Flocks of birds who live in the groves are singing the name of Lord Hari.
- 3) Lord Gaura says, “Hari! Hari!” a female parrot responds, “Hari! Hari!” and then all male and female parrots start singing a loud chorus of the name of Hari.

- 4) Becoming intoxicated by the holy name, the deer come forward from out of the forest. The peacocks and peahens are dancing and frolicking in ecstatic love.
- 5) Lord Hari is in His heart, Lord Hari is in His meditation, and He always chants the name of Hari with His voice. Gaura Chanda is intoxicated by ecstatic mellows and rolls around on the ground while singing and singing Harinama.
- 6) Arriving on the bank of the Yamuna River, He dances wildly while chanting “Hari! Hari!” Mother Yamuna becomes so ecstatic that she arises and comes forward to wash Lord Gauranga’s feet.

Gurudev kṛpā bindhu diyā

(1)

gurudev!

*kṛpā-bindu diyā, koro' ei dāse,
tṛṇāpekḥā ati hīna
sakala sahane, bala diyā koro',
nija-māne sprḥā-hīna*

(2)

*sakale sammāna korite śakati,
deho' nātha! jathājatha
tabe to' gāibo, hari-nāma-sukhe,
aparādha ha 'be hata*

(3)

*kabe heno kṛpā, labhiyā e jana,
kṛtārtha hoibe, nātha!
śakti-buddhi-hīna, āmi ati dīna,
koro' more ātma-sātha*

(4)

*jogyatā-vicāre, kichu nāhi pāi,
tomāra karuṇā-sāra
karuṇā nā hoile, kāndiyā kāndiyā,
prāṇa nā rākhibo āra*

TRANSLATION

- 1) Gurudeva, give to this servant just one drop of mercy. I am lower than a blade of grass. Give me all help. Give me strength. Let me be as you are, without desires or aspirations.
- 2) I offer you all respects, for thus I may have the energy to know you correctly. Then, by chanting the holy name in great ecstasy, all my offenses will cease.
- 3) When will such mercy fall to this one who is weak and devoid of intelligence? Allow me to be with you.
- 4) If you examine me, you will find no qualities. Your mercy is all that I am made of. If you are not merciful unto me, I can only weep, and I will not be able to maintain my life.

Gaura Pahu

(1)

*gaurā pahu nā bhajiyā goinu
prema-ratana-dhana helāya hārāinu*

(2)

*adhane yatana kari dhana teyāginu
āpana karama-doṣe āpani ḍubinu*

(3)

*sat-saṅga chāḍi' kainu asate vilāsa
te-kāṇe lāgilo ye karma-bandha-phāṇsa*

(4)

*viṣaya-viṣama-viṣa satata khāinu
gaura-kīrtana-rase magana nā hainu*

(5)

*keno vā āchaye prāṇa ki sukha pāiyā
narottam dās keno nā gelo mariyā*

TRANSLATION

- 1) I did not worship Lord Gauranga Prabhu and thus I became full of suffering. I refused to accept the treasure of pure love of Kṛṣṇa, and thus I became lost.
- 2) I reject the treasure of love of Kṛṣṇa and deliberately struggled to become poor. I dived into a host of sinful deeds.
- 3) I rejected the association of the saintly devotees, and instead tried to enjoy among the impious non-devotees. In this way I became caught in the noose of karma.
- 4) I continually drank the virulent poison of sense-gratification. I refused to swim in the nectar of Lord Caitanya's sankirtana movement.
- 5) Why do I stay alive? What happiness do I have? Why did Narottama dasa not die long ago?

Boro Sukher khabor gai

(1)

*boro sukher khabor gāi
surabhi-kuñjete nāmer hāṭ khule'che (khoda nitāi)*

(2)

*boro mojār kathā tāy
śraddhā-mūlye śuddha-nāma sei hāṭete bikāy*

(3)

*jata bhakta-bṛṇḍa basi'
adhikārī dekhe' nāma becche daro kasi'*

(4)

*jadi nāma kinbe, bhāi
āmār saṅge calo, mahājaner kāche jāi*

(5)

*tumi kinbe kṛṣṇa-nāma
dasturi loibo āmi, pūrṇa ha'be kāma*

(6)

*boro doyāl nityānanda
śraddhā-mātra lo'ye den parama-ānanda*

(7)

*ek-bār dekhle cakṣe jal
'gaura' bole' nitāi den sakala sambal*

(8)

*den śuddha kṛṣṇa-śikṣā
jāti, dhana, vidyā, bala nā kore apekṣā*

(9)

*amani chāde māyā-jāl
gṛhe thāko, bane thāko, nā thāke jañjāl*

(10)

*ār nāiko kalir bhoy
ācaṇḍāle den nāma nitāi doyāmoy*

(11)

*bhaktivinoda ḍāki' koy
nitāi-caraṇa binā ār nāhi āśroy*

TRANSLATION

- 1) I am singing news of great happy tidings. Lord Nityananda Himself has opened a market-place of the Holy Name in Surabhi-Kunja.
- 2) The news of its great results is that He is selling the pure Holy Name in that market-place for the price of only one's faith.
- 3) Lord Nityananda, the proprietor of the market, seeing all the devotees become attracted, is selling them the Holy Name after bargaining with them.
- 4) O brother, if you want to buy the Holy Name, then go with me. We must go to the presence of that great soul, Nityananda.
- 5) You will buy the name of Kṛṣṇa, I will take my commission and all of our desires will be fulfilled.

- 6) Lord Nityananda is greatly merciful. Taking only one's faith, He gives the highest ecstasy.
- 7) If Nitai sees only once tears in the eyes while chanting the name "Gaura", then He gives all resources to that person.
- 8) He gives the pure teachings of Kṛṣṇa to everyone and does not care for one's birth, wealth, knowledge and strength.
- 9) Now, giving up the illusory snare of Maya, either remain in household life or in the forest as a sannyasi for no more troubles remain.
- 10) There is no more fear of the age of Kali. The merciful Nityananda gives the Holy Name to even the candalas.
- 11) Bhaktivinoda calls out "Except for the lotus feet of Lord Nityananda there is no other shelter!"

Nadīyā-godrume

(1)

*nadīyā-godrume nityānanda mahājana
patiyāche nām-haṭṭa jīvera kāraṇa*

(2)

*(śraddhāvān jan he, śraddhāvān jan he)
prabhura ājñāy, bhāi, māgi ei bhikṣā
bolo 'kṛṣṇa,' bhajo kṛṣṇa, koro kṛṣṇa-śikṣā*

(3)

*aparādha-śūnya ho'ye loho kṛṣṇa-nām
kṛṣṇa mātā, kṛṣṇa pitā, kṛṣṇa dhana-prān*

(4)

*kṛṣṇaera saṁsāra koro chāḍi' anācār
jīve doyā, kṛṣṇa-nām—sarva-dharma-sār*

TRANSLATION

- 1) In the land of Nadiya, on the island of Godruma, the magnanimous Lord Nityananda has opened up the Marketplace of the Holy Name, meant for the deliverance of all fallen souls.
- 2) O people of faith! O people of faith! By the order of Lord Gauranga, O brothers, I beg these three requests of you: Chant "Krsna!" worship Krsna, and teach others about Krsna.
- 3) Being careful to remain free of offenses; just take the holy name of Lord Krsna. Krsna is your mother, Krsna is your father, and Krsna is the treasure of your life.
- 4) Giving up all sinful activities, carry on your worldly duties only in relation to Lord Krsna. The showing of compassion to other souls by loudly chanting the holy name of Krsna is the essence of all forms of religion.

Nitāi-pada-kamala:

(1)

*nitāi-pada-kamala, koṭi-candra-suśīta
je chāyā jagata jurāy
heno nitāi bine bhāi, rādhā-kṛṣṇa pāite nāi
dṛḍha kori' dharo nitāir pāy*

(2)

*se sambandha nāhi jā'r, bṛthā janma gelo tā'r
sei paśu boro durācār
nitāi nā bolilo mukhe, majilo saṁsāra-sukhe
vidyā-kule ki koribe tār*

(3)

*ahaṅkāre matta hoiyā, nitāi-pada pāsariyā
asatyere satya kori māni
nitāiyer koruṇā habe, braje rādhā-kṛṣṇa pābe
dharo nitāi-caraṇa du'khāni*

(4)

*nitāiyer caraṇa satya, tāhāra sevaka nitya
nitāi-pada sadā koro āśa
narottama boro dukhī, nitāi more koro sukhī
rākho rāṅgā-caraṇera pāśa*

TRANSLATION

- 1) The lotus feet of Lord Nityananda are a shelter where one will get the soothing moonlight not only of one, but of millions of moons. If the world wants to have real peace, it should take shelter of Lord Nityananda. Unless one takes shelter under the shade of the lotus feet of Lord Nityananda, it will be very difficult for him to approach Radha-Kṛṣṇa. If one actually wants to enter into the dancing party of Radha-Kṛṣṇa, he must firmly catch hold of the lotus feet of Lord Nityananda.
- 2) Anyone who has not established his relationship with Nityananda Prabhu is understood to have spoiled his valuable human birth. Such a human being is actually an uncontrollable animal. Because he never uttered the holy name of Nityananda, he has become merged into so-called material happiness. What can his useless education and family tradition do to help him?
- 3) Being maddened after false prestige and identification with the body, one is thinking, oh, what is Nityananda? What can He do for me? I don't care. The result is that he is accepting something false to be truth. If you actually want to approach the association of Radha-Kṛṣṇa, you must first achieve the mercy of Lord Nityananda. When He is merciful toward you, then you will be able to approach Radha-Kṛṣṇa. Therefore you should firmly grasp the lotus feet of Lord Nityananda.
- 4) The lotus feet of Nityananda are not illusion; they are a fact. One who engages in the transcendental loving service of Nityananda is also transcendental. Always try to catch the lotus feet of Lord Nityananda. This Narottama dasa is very unhappy, therefore I am praying to Lord Nityananda to make me happy. My dear Lord, please keep me close to Your lotus feet.

Parama Karuna

(1)

*parama karuṇa, pahū dui jana
nitāi gauracandra
saba avatāra-sāra śiromaṇi
kevala ānanda-kanda*

(2)

*bhajo bhajo bhāi, caitanya nitāi
sudṛḍha biśwāsa kori
viṣaya chāḍiyā, se rase majiyā,
mukhe bolo hari hari*

(3)

*dekho ore bhāi, tri-bhuvane nāi,
emona doyāla dātā
paśu pākhī jhure, pāṣāṇa vidare,
śuni' jāñra guṇa-gāthā*

(4)

*samsāre majiyā, rohili poriyā,
se pade nahilo āśa
āpana karama, bhuñjāye śamana,
kahoye locana-dāsa*

TRANSLATION

- 1) The two Lords, Nitai-Gauracandra, are very merciful. They are the essence of all incarnations. The specific significance of these incarnations is that They introduced a process of chanting and dancing that is simply joyful.
- 2) My dear brother, I request that you just worship Lord Caitanya and Nityananda with firm conviction and faith. If one wants to be Kṛṣṇa conscious by this process, one has to give up his engagement in sense gratification. One simply has to chant, "Hare Kṛṣṇa! Hari Hari!" without any motive.

- 3) My dear brother, just try and examine this. Within the three worlds there is no one like Lord Caitanya or Lord Nityananda. Their merciful qualities are so great that upon hearing Them even birds and beasts cry and stones melt.
- 4) But Locana dasa regrets that I am entrapped by sense gratification. Since I have no attraction for the lotus feet of Lord Caitanya and Lord Nityananda, then Yamaraja, the superintendent of death, is punishing me by not allowing me to be attracted by this movement.

Radha Kṛṣṇa bol bol

(1)

'rādhā-kṛṣṇa' bol bol bolo re sobāi
 (ei) śikṣā diyā, sab nadīyā
 phirche nece' gaura-nitāi
 (miche) māyār boṣe, jāccho bhese',
 khāccho hābuḍubu, bhāi

(2)

(jīv) kṛṣṇa-dās, e biśwās,
 korle to' āṛ duḥkho nāi
 (kṛṣṇa) bolbe jabe, pulak ha'be
 jhorbe āñkhi, boli tāi

(3)

('rādhā) kṛṣṇa' bolo, sañge calo,
 ei-mātra bhikhā cāi
 (jāy) sakal' bipod bhaktivinod
 bole, jakhon o-nām gāi

TRANSLATION

- 1) Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant! When Lord Caitanya and Lord Nityananda came dancing through Nadia, They gave these teachings: Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant! You are caught up in a whirlpool of senseless action and are sinking lower and lower. Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant!

- 2) If you just understand that the spirit soul is the eternal servant of Kṛṣṇa, you will never have any more sorrows. Chant Hare Kṛṣṇa and your eyes will fill with tears and your body will feel transcendental shivering. Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant!
- 3) Simply chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa" and join with us. Those are the only alms we beg. Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant! "All dangers will be gone when that Name is chanted," says Bhaktivinoda Thakura. Chant, chant "Radha-Kṛṣṇa!" Everyone chant!

Hari Haraye Namah Kṛṣṇa

(1)

*hari haraye namaḥ kṛṣṇa yādavāya namaḥ
yādavāya mādhavāya keśavāya namaḥ*

(2)

*gopāla govinda rāma śrī-madhusūdana
gīrīdhārī gopīnātha madana-mohana*

(3)

*śrī-caitanya-nityānanda śrī-advaita-sītā
hari guru vaiṣṇava bhāgavata gītā*

(4)

*śrī-rūpa sanātana bhāṭṭa-raghunātha
śrī-jīva gopāla-bhāṭṭa dāsa-raghunātha*

(5)

*ei chay gosāir kori caraṇa vandan
jāhā hoite bighna-nāś abhīṣṭa-pūraṇ*

(6)

*ei chay gosāi jār—mui tār dās
tā-sabāra pada-reṇu mora paśca-grās*

(7)

*tādera caraṇa-sebi-bhakta-sane bās
janame janame hoy ei abhilāṣ*

(8)

*ei chay gosāi jabe braje koilā bās
rādhā-kṛṣṇa-nitya-līlā korilā prakāś*

(9)

*ānande bolo hari bhaja brndāban
śrī-guru-vaiṣṇaba-pade majāiyā man*

(10)

*śrī-guru-vaiṣṇaba-pada-padma kori āś
nāma-saṅkīrtana kohe narottama dāsa*

TRANSLATION

- 1) Hari! Obeisances to Lord Hari, unto Kṛṣṇa, and Yadava. Obeisances to Lord of the Yadus, Madhava, Kesava.
- 2) Gopala! Govinda! Rama! O vanquisher of Madhu! Giridhari! Lord of the gopis! Bewilderer of cupid!
- 3) Sri Caitanya, Nityananda, Sri Advaita-Sita! Hari! Guru! Vaishnavas! Srimad Bhavagatam! Bhagavat Gita.
- 4) All glories to Srila Rupa Goswami, Sanantan Goswami and Raghunatha Bhatta Goswami, to Srila Jiva Goswami, Gopala Bhatta Goswami, and Raghunatha Dasa Goswami!
- 5) I bow to the feet of these six Goswamis. By their grace, our obstacles can be destroyed and all desires are fulfilled.
- 6) I am the servant of these six Goswamis. The dust of their lotus feet is my fivefold subsistence.
- 7) To be a servant of their lotus feet and to reside in the company of devotees- this is my aspiration birth after birth.
- 8) When these six Goswamis lived in Vraja, they revealed the eternal pastimes of Sri Sri Radha and Kṛṣṇa.
- 9) In ecstasy, sing the name of Lord Hari and worship Vrindavan, joyfully fixing your mind upon the lotus feet of the bona-fide spiritual master and the pure devotees.

- 10) The lotus feet of my guru and the vaisnavas are my aspiration. Narottama Dasa thus sings Hari-nama sankirtana.

Sundara-bālā śacī-dulālā

(1)

*sundara-bālā śacī-dulālā
nācata śrī-hari-kīrtana meṁ
bhāle candana tilaka manohara
alakā śobhe kapolana meṁ*

(2)

*śire cūḍā daraśi bāle
vana-phula-mālā hiyāpara dole
pahirana pīta-patāmbara śobhe
nūpura ruṇu-jhunu caraṇo meṁ*

(3)

*rādhā-kṛṣṇa eka tanu hai
nidhuvana-mājhe baṁśī bājāy
viśvarūpa ki prabhujī sahi
āota prakāṭahi nadīyā meṁ*

(4)

*koi gāyata hai rādhā-kṛṣṇa nām
koi gāyata hai hari-guṇa gān
maṅgala-tāna mṛdaṅga rasāla
bājata hai koi raṅgaṇa meṁ*

TRANSLATION

- 1) This gorgeous boy is the darling child of mother Saci, dancing in the kirtana of chanting Lord Hari's names. His forehead is adorned with drawings of sandalwood paste, and His enchanting locks of hair are shining in a splendid fashion as they bounce upon His cheeks.
- 2) His hair is wrapped in a topknot, and a garland of forest flowers sways

upon His chest. Wearing brilliant yellow silken garments, He dances with ankle bells tinkling upon His feet.

- 3) Sri Sri Radha and Krsna have become joined in one body, and together They play a flute within the grove of Nidhuvana. In this mood, the Lord of Visvarupa has come and manifested Himself in the town of Nadiya.
- 4) Someone in that kirtana sings the names of Radha and Krsna, someone else sings songs of Lord Hari's transcendental qualities, while others play the auspicious rhythms of the sweet and relishable mrdanga drums. All this takes place in that spectacular performance.

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare
Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare

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*gaurāṅgera saṅgi-gaṇe, nitya-siddha kori' māṇe,
se jāy brajendra-suta-pās
śrī-gauḍa-maṇḍala-bhūmi, jebā jāṇe cintāmaṇi,
tāra hoy braja-bhūme bās*

Simply by understanding that the associates of Lord Gaurāṅga are eternally free from material contamination, one can immediately be promoted to the transcendental abode of Lord Kṛṣṇa. If one simply understands that the land of Navadvīpa is not different from Vṛndāvana, then he actually lives in Vṛndāvana.

Gaurāṅgera dūti pada, verse 3, By Śrīla Nārottama ḍaṣa Ṭhakura

*Hare Kṛṣṇa Hare Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa Hare Hare
Hare Rāma Hare Rāma Rāma Rāma Hare Hare*

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