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**76-01-20 Letter: Jayatirtha**

Therefore the school should be moved to India, specifically to our new gurukula project in Vrindaban, where the facility will be just to our needs and the needs of the brahmacari to develop spiritually because it is based on authentic scripture. To live in Vrindaban is the highest perfection and to grow up in Vrindaban the greatest fortune. Who can compare Vrindaban to the nasty western culture? Even to live in Mathura-mandala for a fortnight guarantees one liberation.

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## Patron of Education Activities

### Vraj Outreach Program

The team of students of BGIS who are self motivated and with full of enthusiasm conduct programs in local villages . The program includes various spiritual activities along with personal academic classes. The principals of different schools were very happy and requested us to conduct activities on the regular basis.

#### Our Vision

Children are the future of a nation. For an emerging and developing country like India, development of underprivileged children holds the key to the progress of the nation itself. The vision of village outreach program is to cultivate the villagers of Vraja by educating them to cultivate vaishnava etiquettes, reading scriptures, fulfilling the youth requirements etc. Also scholarships will be provided to bright village students to give them privilege to study in Bhaktivedanta Gurukula and International School (BGIS).

We welcome the voluntary contribution of everyone to help us in the project. Either by donations or by your physical presence, we can make Srila Prabhpada's dream to establish Vedic culture among youngsters. We would also like to thank our donors for their contribution for our project.



The kids of BGIS performing harinam sankirtan at Pani Gaon.



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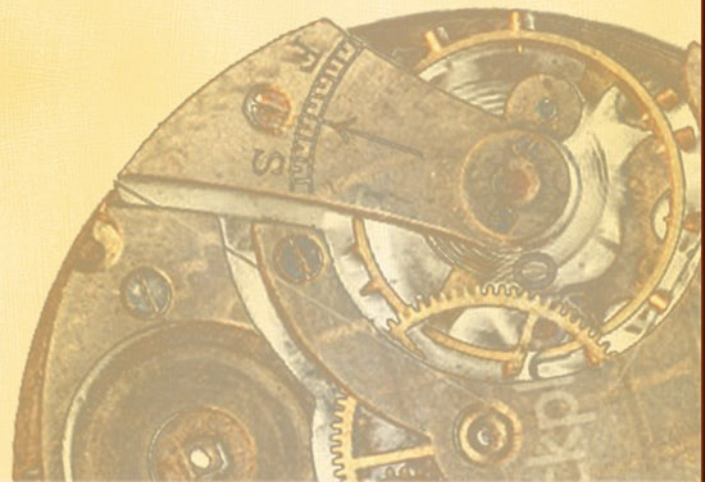
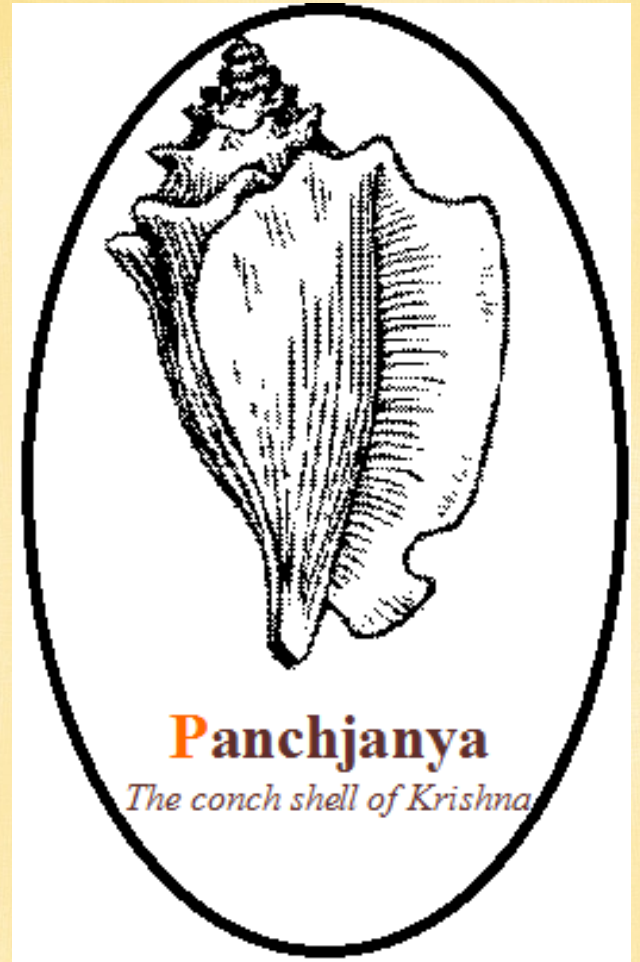
## **Panchjanya**

*The conch of Krishna...*

**prthivi te ache yatha nagar adi gram,  
sarvatra prachar hoibe mor naam.**

The prediction of Sri Caintanya Mahaprabhu came true when Srila Prabhupada went abroad to spread His movement in the whole world. The missionary Srila Prabhupada had established 108 temples throughout this world in 12 years of period which have increased to more than 600 temples all over the world. That the conditioned soul be engaged in the service of The Lordship is the main desire of a true devotee of the Lord. Sometimes He comes Himself to spread His glories and sometimes He sends His associates. Those empowered associates shower their mercy on everyone without any discrimination. They dream to spread the glories of The Lord for no matter whatever the situation exist for them.

Following the footsteps of our most beloved Srila Prabhupada, the team of Patron of Education has formed another domain called Panchjanya- the conch shell of Krishna. The team has expertise to communicate the science of Krishna Consciousness among the corporate, engineering , management colleges etc. The purpose of this team is to establish spiritual and ethical environment in corporate and colleges by conducting courses on Stress Management, Time Management, Conflict Resolution, Behavioral Training etc. By taking references from different scriptures like Srimad Bhagvatam, Bhagvad Gita, Bible, Koran etc, the team teaches the essence of life among students, middle management, upper managements etc.



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# Gurukula Times

## A great achievement in the history of Gurukula

One of the best things that has happened in the history of BGIS is the acquisition of 87.5 acres of land by ISKCON where Gurukula and goshala will be relocated. Another 12.5 acres will be registered shortly. This 100 acres of plot is situated near Ajhai Village which is 3 km from the national highway opposite to GLA University. On the western border of the land lies 250 acres of forest land. Radhakund is 10 km from this land via Raal village. The land is 15 km from Krishna Balarama temple.

On the morning of 20th May, there was a grand samkirtana procession by the BGIS students and teachers led by the Principal Dr Lila Purishottam Prabhu in which they took Srila Prabhupada and Gaura Nitai all across the land.

It is a nice feeling to be able to secure this land for the pleasure of Srila Prabhupada after persistent endeavor in this regard. It has been more than a year since we started to look for a suitable patch of land. We hope to have a very beautiful and eco-friendly new campus by the mercy of Krishna and Srila Prabhupada. Without the blessings of Krishna and His dear devotees, this task would not have been possible.

New Gurukula project includes Goshala, Botanical Garden, Solar energy system, Gobargas plantation etc.



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**Divay Garg**



**Sharan Aggarwal**



**Krishna Mittal**



**Naman Srivastava**

## **The Glorious Gurkulies**

Well, it is indeed a matter of pride & honor for everyone at Bhaktivedanta Gurukul as Divay Garg of 12th grade bought glory to Bhaktivedanta Gurukula and International School by getting the highest in the District by procuring 94% overall and 100% in Maths and 99% in Environmental Education. Guru Sharan Agrawal yet another student of 12th grade scored 100% in Maths. Similarly the result of ICSE examination 2011-12 has been equally encouraging. Krishna Mittal of 10th grade topped the school with 92.6% closely followed by Naman Shrivastava with 92.40%. Overall 18% students have scored 90% and above in the ISC & ICSE examination respectively.

19th May 2012 was an evening of joy and happiness for everyone at Bhaktivedanta Gurukula and International School with 100% result for both ISC & ICSE examination 2011-12. The school principal Leela Purshottam Das along with the vice principal Radhakanta Das and all the other academic teachers wish all the students Best of Luck for their future. May they continue to grow both academically and spiritually.

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### **Narsingh Chaturdashi Celebration**

The passion and enthusiasm in which the students at BGIS celebrated the appearance day of Lord Narimha was witnessed & experienced by everyone present. The festival was celebrated on 5th May 2012 at BGIS campus. Parents of all the students were sent personal invitation to come and spend the transcendental evening with their kin. The occasion was celebrated along with our chief guest SDM Chata, Dr. Prajapati. He shared his positive views and praised the Vedic culture practiced at BGIS. The preparation started much earlier as our students were being trained by drama/theatre professionals Pradeep and Susheela. In order to set the mood the students participated in the Sarvavinashka yagna at the school campus early in the morning thus purifying the atmosphere and setting the scene for the rest of the day. Later in the evening along with the transcendental kirtan; the audience also thoroughly enjoyed two dramas performed by the students at BGIS. One of the Hindi dramas "Dear Friend Govida" helped our students to understand the qualitative relationship with the supreme lord while the other English drama; "Sambhami Yuge Yuge" depicted the story of Hiranyakashipu and Lord Narsimha. The celebration ended with the distribution of the most delicious mahaprasad for everyone. All in all it was an action packed Krishna Conscious day helping our students to come together as one big happy family at BGIS. Special mention for boys from class 10 & 12 who managed the entire event under the guidance of Surananda Das.

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## Prayers to Lord Narsingh Deva

(1)

namas te narasiṁhāya  
prahlādāhlāda-dāyine  
hiraṇyakaśipuṣ vakṣaḥ-  
śilā-ṭaṅka-nakhālaye

(2)

ito nṛsiṁhaḥ parato nṛsiṁho  
yato yato yāmi tato nṛsiṁhaḥ  
bahir nṛsiṁho hṛdaye nṛsiṁho  
nṛsiṁham ādim śaraṇaṁ prapadye

(3)

tava kara-kamala-vare nakham adbhuta-śṛṅgaṁ  
dalita-hiraṇyakaśipu-tanu-bhṛṅgaṁ  
keśava dhṛta-narahari-rūpa jaya jagadīśa hare

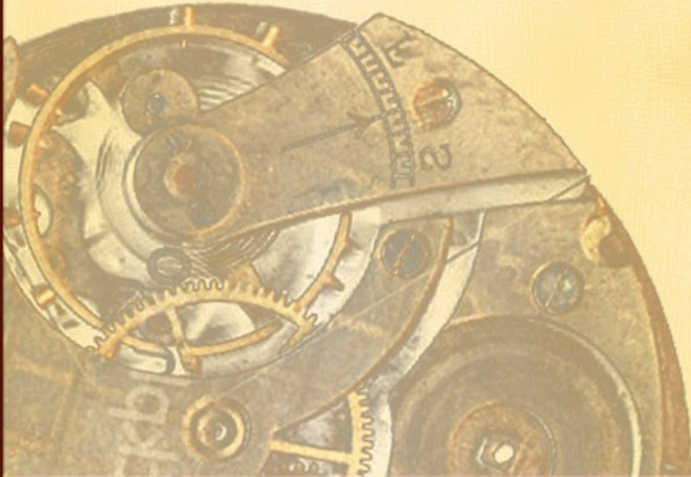
### TRANSLATION

1) I offer my obeisance to Lord Narasimha, who gives joy to Prahlada Maharaja and whose nails are like chisels on the stone like chest of the demon Hiranyakasipu.

2) Lord Nrsimha is here and also there. Wherever I go Lord Nrsimha is there. He is in the heart and is outside as well. I surrender to Lord Nrsimha, the origin of all things and the supreme refuge.



3) O Kesava! O Lord of the universe! O Lord Hari, who have assumed the form of half-man, half-lion. All glories to You! Just as one can easily crush a wasp between one's fingernails, so in the same way the body of the wasp like demon Hiranyakasipu has been ripped apart by the wonderful pointed nails on Your beautiful lotus.



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## Let's learn from a story....

### Testing for gossip— How to think before WE speak?

In ancient Greece, Socrates was reputed to hold knowledge in high esteem. One day an acquaintance met the great philosopher and said, "Do you know what I just heard about your friend?"

"Hold on a minute," Socrates replied. "Before telling me anything I'd like you to pass a little test. It's called the Triple Filter Test."

"Triple filter?"

"That's right," Socrates continued. "Before you talk to me about my friend, it might be a good idea to take a moment and filter what you're going to say. That's why I call it the triple filter test. The first filter is **Truth**. Have you made absolutely sure that what you are about to tell me is true?"

"No," the man said, "Actually I just heard about it and ..."

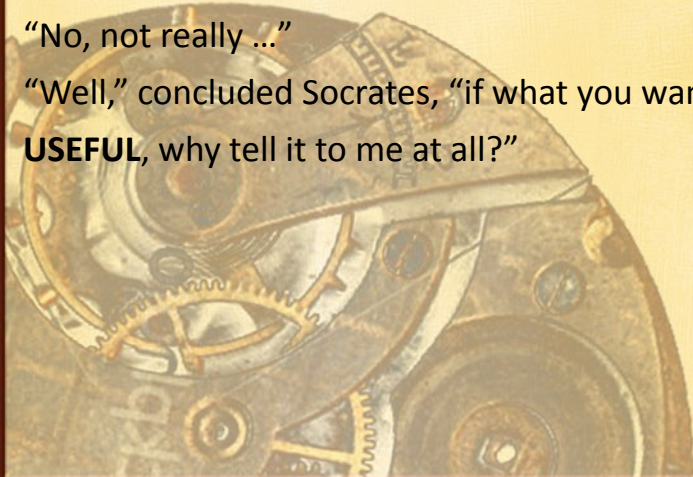
"All right," said Socrates. "So you don't really know if it's true or not. Now let's try the second filter, the filter of **Goodness**. Is what you are about to tell me about my friend something good?"

"No, on the contrary..."

"So," Socrates continued, "you want to tell me something bad about him, but you're not certain it's true. You may still pass the test though, because there's one filter left: the filter of Usefulness. Is what you want to tell me about my friend going to be **Useful** to me?"

"No, not really ..."

"Well," concluded Socrates, "if what you want to tell me is neither **TRUE** nor **GOOD** nor **EVEN USEFUL**, why tell it to me at all?"



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*Be a patron of education and help  
us to make a new future.*



### Thanks and Regards

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