

# **Sri Guru Sarvabhouma Dasa Sahitya Project**

We have listed the different aspects, conditions and rules to be adhered by the Bhajana groups which intend to associate themselves with the project. We request you to kindly go through them in detail and in case you agree to these, then you can write to us. Please note to specify the full postal address and telephone number for further communication.

## **Rules and Conditions**

1. Bhajana group should consist of a Minimum of 15 members
2. Bhajana group should be active and should be involved in reciting of bhajanas daily. In exceptions this should be followed atleast once in 3 days.
3. In order to sanctify and increase wellbeing of the city/town/village, every Sunday either in the morning or evening a tour of the area should be conducted by singing bhajanas
4. The members should actively participate to increase the awareness of Dharma and bhakti in their place of residence
5. Todays children are tomorrows torch bearers of this movement. In order to engage younger generation, all Bhajana groups should also have a sub-unit exclusively for children. They should be aimed to increase the engagement of children in singing of bhajanas and also make them aware of the bhakti and dharma in this process.
6. All members of the Bhajana group should mandatorily adhere to the following conditions
  - a. Male: Should not wear western outfits like Pant-Shirt during singing of Bhajanas
  - b. Male: Should wear white dhoti and tie saffron turban and wear tulasi chain on the neck
  - c. Male: Should have Gopichandana and Akshate on their foreheads. Otherwise they should follow the rules of their custom on the foreheads. There should be no inhibition for sporting the practises of this movement.
  - d. Female: Should wear turmeric color saree and red color blouse
  - e. Singing should be in a happy mood and according to the song, an appropriate musical instrument should be played with their hands
7. At the start, song "Daasana maadiko enna" should be sung. "Sri venkateshaya namah" should be recited 12/24 times. At the end all members should stand and hail "Hari dasarige jayavagali" "Hari Dasasahityakke jayavagali" "Sarve jana sukhino bhavantu, samastha sanmangananibhavantu". All members should be disciplined in their attire, behaviour, singing in chorus and should be in musical harmony. Discipline is what provides respect and honor to the organization. Lord Sri Rama has demonstrated this to all of us to follow.
8. Only Haridasa keerthana songs should be practised and sung. The traditional Raga and Thala of the respective songs should be adhered. Should follow songs in the hierarchical order as prescribed by Sri Purandara Dasaru

9. The president and the secretary should maintain daily register of the activities partaken by the group and also maintain the daily attendance register of the members.

10. The president should send half yearly report of the activities to the Project office mandatorily

11. All members should be in constant touch with the other Bhajana groups/members to actively spread dharma in their place of residence.

#### **Assistance from the Project Office**

1. The office will provide the tools/necessities needed for the bhajanas

2. The office will extend invitations to the bhajana groups to dasa-sahitya events at Mantralaya and other important places based on the requirements and needs of the event.

3. The office will organize events like Singing competition, Quiz programmes, Antakshari programme and invite the groups for participation. Winners will be recognised with awards and certificates.

4. Every week 5 groups will be invited to Mantralaya for special training on Dasa-sahitya for 3 days (Friday, Saturday and Sunday). All members will be provided accommodation, food and darshana facilities.

If your Bhajana group is ready to associate with the Sri Gurusarvabhoumara Dasa Sahitya project in adherence to the rules and conditions, please fill and send the accompanying acceptance and enrollment form. The instructions for filling can be found behind the form. Each member of the group should furnish 3 passport size photographs. Send the form and photographs to the Project office address mentioned below.

Two photographs will be used by the project office and the third will be used to provide Identity Card and the office will send the Identity cards to your address. The identity card should be mandatorily used for participation in all project events.

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