

## Activities of ACPR

I) The fortnightly programme of recitation of mystical lyrics by the students of Uma Sangeeta Prathisthana was conducted on 23-01-2020, 11-02-2020 and 22-02-2020. Various Vachanas and Anubhava geetas of saints were sung. The programme is attracting the public. Interested citizens also participate in it.

II) "Kuvempu" the noted Kannada Legendary writer's Jayanti was celebrate on 18th January 2020 in association with Uma Sangeeta Pratisthana. Dr. Rajendra Mathad welcomed the gathering and recalled the great personality of Kuvempu ie. Dr. Kuppalli Venkatappa Puttappa. He also explained how he has enriched the Kannada literature by his writings. Adv. Maruti B. Zirali presided over the function and explained the importance of Kuvempu's writings in the field of Socio-mystical literature. The first Jnana Peetha award to Kannada Literature came through him and he has given a clarity to rational mysticism for Kannada readers, he said.

Dr. Madhumati Kulkarni Chief Editor *Pathway to God* and Smt. Mangala Mathad president of Uma Sangeeta Pratisthana were on dias. The programme started with Naad Geete written by "Kuvempu": A number of poems written by him were rendered by students in a melodious voice. over 50 people attended the function.

III) A new wave of thinking has started with a novel venture of "Mystic Study Circle" a regular fortnightly programme throwing light on the teachings and writings of Shri Gurudev Dr. R.D. Ranade.

The first programme of this kind was held on 15th February 2020 with the lecture on the book "Glimpses of Shri Gurudev Ranade" by Adv. Shri Maruti B. Zirali Secretary ACPR. He spoke on the reminiscence of Gurudev's associates which gives a true picture of Gurudev's personality and the magnitude of the influence of Gurudev's personality. Shri Subramanya Bhat presented the introductory note. The program was followed by Arati and Meditation.



A view of "Agnihotra" performed in ACPR Auditorium Hall on 31-01-2020 along with the volunteers of "Agnihotra Group led by Shri Abhay Mutalikdesai.



Shri Maruti B. Zirali briefing the visiting members of Agnihotra Group about the facilities available in the library at ACPR and the purpose behind setting up of modern library.

## PHOTOS OF OUR REGULAR ACTIVITIES



Shri Mundawadkar lighting the lamp as a mark of inauguration of "Mystic Study Circle". Shri Maruti B. Zirali Secretary & Shri R.G. Jakati Joint-Secretary are in the picture.

Shri Maruti B. Zirali Secretary Delivering lecture the Series on 'The Glimpses of Shri Gurudev Ranade' in the "Mystic Study Circle" Programme.



Fortnightly Programme by the team of Uma Sangeet Pratishtan at ACPR.

Kuvempu Smruti Programme on 18th jan. 2020  
Dr. Rajendra Mathad, Smt. Mangala Mathad,  
Adv. M.B. Zirali, Dr.Madhumati Kulkarni.

#### IV) "Agnihotra" programme on 1-3-2020

The ancient system of "Agnihotra" which purifies the atmosphere and the person performing has a great significance in balancing and protecting of ecology. It has a long-lasting effect on the quality of life.

Shri Vinayak Lokur proprietor, Expert Engineers Belgaum and a champion of "Agnihotra: movement in Belgaum" took keen interest in organising the programme at ACPR on 1-3-2020.

Shri Abhay Mutalikdesai conducted the programme and 30 men and women participated and performed Agnihotra at 6.35 pm Sharp Sunset time. Shri Mutalikdesai explained the modalities of Agnihotra and its effects on ecology. Personal Meditation is helpful to the person, but Agnihotra is helpful to both the performer and the whole atmosphere. The whole atmosphere was filled with spiritual vibrations and the calm and serenity pervaded the auditorium. All the 30 members performed Agnihotra enkindling sacred fire in their respective Agnipatra. The smoke pervaded the hall and chanting of ॐ अग्रये स्वाहा अग्रये इदम् न मम; ॐ प्रजापतये स्वाहा प्रजापतये इदम् न मम ॥ echoed in the hall. Many among the observers enquired and bought the Agnihotra kit.

The function was followed by tea and snacks in the library where Adv. Zirali explained about the library its collections and activities.

Adv. Maruti B. Zirali welcomed the participants by offering roses and spoke on the occasion and thanked the performing group.

Prior to the performance and demonstration of Agnihotra the famous Mahamrutyunjaya Mahamantra was chanted 108 times

ॐ त्र्यंबकम् यजामहे सुगन्धिम् पुष्टिवर्धनम् ।  
ऊर्वारुकमिव बन्धनात् मृत्योर्मुक्षीय मामृतात् ॥॥