

THOUGHTS TO BE TREASURED

ஏற்கிட வேண்டும் இன்றிப் பல்லவிரத் தொகையும் என்று விரலிய துயர்க்கு சாதி என்று விடுபோது அடையும் என்றால், உருவம் இல்லையின் தொலை உரித்து கடுபதற்கு ஒப்பு பெருமறை இயம்பிற்று.....

To say that the innumerable souls can get rid of the ills that afflict them and attain emancipation without (worshipping and) realizing Parama Sivan is something similar to asserting that one can peel the bodiless sky of its skin and wear the same as cloth. Thus says the excellent Vedam.

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Hand Book on Hinduism

The delegates from Sri Lanka to the First Meeting of the World Hindu Council in Kuala Lumpur were told by Hindu Sangams and representatives of Temple Societies that the most pressing and urgent need of the Hindus of Malaysia was the supply of a comprehensive compilation sketching the essentials of Hinduism along with a code of procedure for worship. This request has to be complied with at the earliest for use not merely in Malaysia but also in other parts of the Hindu World.

The Texts on the tenets of Hinduism and the Agamic expositions of rituals as are available at present may be beyond the easy comprehension of ordinary persons. A grading of religious information is both necessary and desirable to make the common people understand the religious teaching and practise them. The school-going children must be enabled to get themselves well acquainted with the elementary principles of their religion in order that they may realize the need for practising their Faith.

It has become absolutely necessary that a panel of scholars learned in the Shastras, the Sacred Hymns, the Puranas and other teachings should set about the religious task of preparing standardised Readers containing enough information of the fundamentals of Hinduism illustrated by appropriate references in Saiva Literature. Such Readers must necessarily be simple in style of prose, selective in quotations, easy in exposition and elementary and educative in information.

The Great Navalar's Pala Padam series and the Saiva Potram of Shri Shivapadasundaram may be used for the purpose of obtaining the fundamentals for the Graded Readers. The purpose of this Hand Book must be to make the younger generation in the Hindu Community get attracted to the practice of their religion.

The Saiva Paripalana Sabha as pioneers in the publishing of religious readers would do well to undertake this noble work and make available the Hand Book before the New Year.

AYURVEDA EXHIBITION—1977

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We are living in an age uranium (latent in samples of pitchblende kept inside the same drawer). It had emitted radiation that had penetrated the black paper covering and affected the photographic emulsion. This led to the discovery of radioactivity. Strangely enough the word 'Serendipity', often used to describe accidental discoveries, has been derived from 'Serendib' by which name Ceylon was called by the Western Invaders many years ago. Let me now give a few of such accidental discoveries made by western scientists:-

1. Sir Isaac Newton realised the phenomenon of Gravity when an apple accidentally fell on his head,

2. Archimedes ran out of his bath-tub when he realised the fact that he had displaced a weight of water corresponding to the volume of his body.

3. Alfred Nobel—after whom the Nobel Prize is periodically awarded—discovered nitro-cellulose explosive and further experimenting discovered the destructive dynamite, when a thermometer fitted to his apparatus broke and the mercury had acted as a catalyst,

4. Sir Alexander Fleming and Florey noticed that one of the colonies of bacteria they were growing became contaminated by ordinary 'mould' like what one would see on stale bread. No bacteria grew on the region surrounding the patch of mould.

Continued experiments led to the discovery of Penicillin, the Wonder Drug that has revolutionised medical treatment.

5. Roentgen, a German Physicist whilst studying cathode rays and experimenting with them, noticed a piece of card-board (that had been painted with certain substances for another experiment) glowing. He traced the fluorescence to something coming from the cathode rays — A new type of radiation had been discovered. Roentgen named it X-rays.

6. Henry Bequerel found that the photographic plates placed inside the drawer were fogged. Henry Moogham Foundation, DigitizedbyMooghamFoundation.org, DigitizedbyMooghamFoundation.org able to trace the cause to

Silver Jubilee

The Saiva Paripalana Sabha has arrangements in hand to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of Mr. R. N. Sivapirakasam, Hon. Editor of the 'Hindu Organ' and 'Inthusathnam' for the past 27 years.

A Souvenir with articles from outstanding Public men will be printed and published in his honour.

A public meeting will be held at the Navalur Ashram where eminent writers and public men from all parts of Ceylon, will participate and felicitate Mr. Sivapirakasam.

A sub-committee with Mr. N. T. Sivagnanam as chairman and convener is in charge of the organising of all connected functions.

and parleys and convince them of the scientific merits of Ayurveda and the efficacy of their specific and the discoveries of the ancient Siddhars in the field of Ayurveda medical treatment.

This is a golden opportunity that should not be missed by our physicians. They should play their proper part and regain Ayurveda's lost grounds and place it high in the Medical Map of the World.

It will be heartening to our Ayurveda Physicians to know that no less an expert than Dr. Herat Gunaratna of the W.H.O. declaring "that Modern Medicine drew its nourishment from the rich legacy of traditional Medicine with leaf or root as drug sources and that some drugs have revolutionised medical cure by providing specific cures against hitherto unconquered killer scourges and that the Regional Director of W.H.O. will

collaborate with member-states in the development of well-recognised traditional systems of medicine so as to enhance research effort"

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2. The Hon'ble the Minister of Health has been pleased to extend the tenure of Office of the members of the Jaffna Hospital Committee to end of March 1977.

Mr. S. Yogeswaran from the A'pure Govt. Hospital has come over to Jaffna on transfer and assumed duties as Adminstrative Secretary of

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