About Ramakrishna Math & Mission

Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission are worldwide, non-political, non-sectarian spiritual organizations which have been engaged in various forms of humanitarian, social service activities for more than a century. It was founded by Swami Vivekananda.

Inspired by the ideals of renunciation and service, the monks and lay devotees of the Math and Mission serve millions of men, women and children, without any distinction of caste, creed, religion or race.

An Appeal

Respected Devotees & Friends,

In April 2018, an independent Center has been started at Yelagiri.

The Center will –

- 1) Maintain 6 acres of land for Tapasya of Sadhus.
- 2) Construct a Math building with a Prayer Hall, Office for outreach activities and a Sadhu Niwas.
- 3) Serve tribals in the area by starting a Mobile Dispensary Service and Non-formal Counselling Classes for local children.

It is in this context, we earnestly appeal to all the devotees and well-wishers – Charitable Trusts, Philanthropists and Business Houses – to contribute munificently, so that we can take up the above activities for the local poor populace.

With our grateful thanks, Yours in the Service of the Lord,

Swami Bhavampanande

Swami Bhavarupananda (Adhyaksha)

History

1950s

Land gifted

A devotee of Sri Ramakrishna, gifted 5.5 acres of land to Ramakrishna Math, Belur. Later 1/2 acre contiguous land was purchased. The Yelagiri property was under the supervision of the Nattarampalli Center, which is 33 kms. away.

1960s

Ist Hermitage constructed for Tapasya of Sadhus



As the place is isolated from the din & buzz of the cities, many senior monks of the Order availed this facility for tapasya.

2004

2nd Hermitage constructed & additional land gifted



A lady devotee gifted 1 acre of land to Math, which is about 1.5 kms. away from the Kutias (Hermitage).

2018

Decision to setup an Independent Center, Construction of Math building begins



Revered Swami Gautamanandaji Maharaj, Vice President, Ramakrishna Math & Mission, laid the Foundation Stone on December 24, 2018. (View Building Plan overleaf)

Proposed Service Activities

There are 14 villages in the Yelagiri Hills area. Now that it has been made an independent center, we intend to serve the local populace through:

Classes for poor children

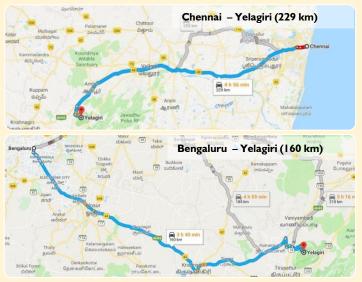
The Math will start 5 non-formal education centers for school children aged between 6 – 16 years, to inculcate in them apart from their curriculum subjects, moral and ethical values, etiquette and hygiene. Each Center will cater to about 100 students who will also be provided with tiffin.

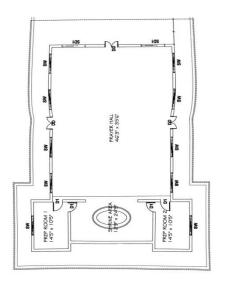
Medical Services through a Mobile Dispensary

Presently, there is only 1 primary healthcare center with 1 doctor available in the whole area. For emergencies, patients need to be taken to towns 40-50 kms. away.

To address this lack of medical facility, we plan to start a Mobile Dispensary Service to cover all 14 villages by visiting each village 2 times a week. We also plan to build a small Permanent Outdoor Dispensary.

Location: Yelagiri Hills, located in the Vellore District of Tamil Nadu, is a Hill Station, at an altitude of 4,000 feet above sea level. The Hills present pristine beauty of fauna & flora apart from serene lakes.



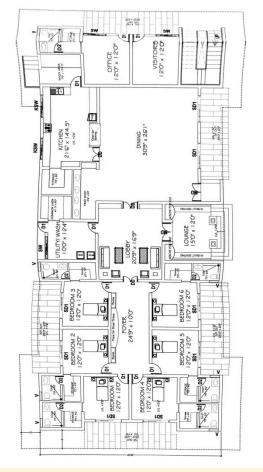


First Floor Plan: Prayer Hall

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Ground Floor Plan: Sadhu Niwas + Kitchen & Dining area Office for co-ordination of outreach activities

+ Dome (not shown)



Details of Funds Required

| Salary for 15 Teachers of the 5 Education Centers (500 students) 15 x Rs. 5000/- per month x 12 months | 9,00,000 /- |
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| 2. Tiffin Expenses at Rs. 10/- per student x 5 days week x 40 weeks x 500 students | 10,00,000 /- |
| 3. Mobile Dispensary Vehicle + Medical Infrastructure | 20,00,000 /- |
| 4. Construction of Permanent Dispensary Building & 5 Classrooms | I,50,00,000 /- |
| 5. Repair of Old Kutia | 5,00,000 /- |
| Construction of Prayer Hall & Sadhu Niwas | I,25,00,000 /- |
| Total (in Rupees) | 3,19,00,000 /- |

How you can donate

Cheques /Demand Drafts

drawn in favour of RAMAKRISHNA MATH, YELAGIRI should be sent to: The President, Ramakrishna Math, Yelagiri, P.O Athanavur - 635 853, Dt. Vellore, Tamil Nadu.

Online Payment Options

- 1. State Bank of India, Athanavur Branch A/C No: 37894133846 | IFSC: SBIN0006711 | Savings A/C
- Indian Bank, Athanavur Branch A/C No: 6654310266 | IFSC: IDIB000Y008 | Savings A/C

Donations are Exempt from Income Tax U/S 80-G of I.T. Act.

Those Donors who wish to deposit online are requested to mail their name and full postal address to **Email ID: yelagiri@rkmm.org** so that we can send our official thanks letter with receipt.

For donations of Rs.10,000/- or above, please provide your PAN No. as well. Donations, however small, would be thankfully accepted and acknowledged.

An Appeal for Funds





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> They alone live who live for others. - Swami Vivekananda -