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With the kind blessings from Sri Pujya Acharya, Arsha Vidya Vahini wishes you all a very happy and eventful New Year, 2017.

Arsha Vidya Vahini's New Web Site Launched:
On the wonderful beginning of this New Year, Revered Smt Jyosthna Siddharth ji has inaugurated Arsha Vidya Vahini's new web site. The web site has been dressed-up with a pleasant look and featured user-friendly interface that can be easily accessed by all.

Mentioning some of the features of the web site, Sri Anil ji mentioned that one of the important features that can be used is the 'Calendar feature' that can be integrated to our email calendar avoiding any remote chances of missing a program organized by Arsha Vidya Vahini. Youtube Videos and Picture gallery have been updated and can be accessed from the homepage. A long awaited
feature for all devotees who wish to support & contribute to various occasions conducted by AVV is also made available integrating with appropriate payment gateway for payments with Credit/Debit/Net Banking etc. We are sure that you will have the pleasure in visiting the website at www.arshavidyavahini.org and experience its new features in keeping your association with the organization alive.

**New Year Puja – 2017**

With the divine grace of Eshwara and Pujya Acharya Sri Prem Siddharth ji Maharaj, we have entered into another blissful year, 2017. We at VYAKHYA-the centre for Vedanta Studies, in the gracious presence of Sri Pujya Acharya marked the beginning of this New Year with His blessed words of wisdom followed by a memorable Guru Paduka Puja on the evening of Sunday, 1st January 2017.

**Blessings from Sri Pujya Swamiji:**

Marking the grand beginning of the year, Sri Pujya Swamiji mentioned that Time - which has no beginning and end, is nothing but Eshwara swarupa. It is the mankind that labels the time with a cyclic beginning and end using man’s intellect just to transact with/in this universe. Thus it is always a wise choice to start a beginning with the divine blessings of the Guru and Eshwara to get fruitful results out of our transactions.

Following the jyoti prajwalanam and chanting of prarthana mantras, the Guru Paduka puja was performed to the Holy Padukas. Pujya Swamiji mentioned that Sri Guru Padukas represent the entire guru parampara from the Lord Narayana to our Acharya (Narayanam Padmabhuvam Vasistam…. Asmadacharya paryantam vande guru paramparaam). With the sacred chanting of Sri Guru Ashtottara namavali and Sri Guru Paduka Stotram, arghya dhupa deepa naivedya etc., were offered to Sri Guru Padukas.

**Nama Samkeerthana & Maha Prasadam:**

Looking forward to another year of great learning, the evening was energized by devotion-filled Nama samkeerthanamas led by Pujya Swamiji Maharaj & accompanied by Sri Sankeertan Srinivas ji. Devotees participated with utmost reverence singing the praise of Eshwara with joy.

Following Nama samkeerthana and Mangala Aarathi, Maha prasadam was served to all. It was the mahaprasadam of Sri Jagannadha Swami that was blessed on to the devotees from the recent darshan of Sri Jagannadha Swami by our Pujya Swamiji’s Yatra to Puri.

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