

# Vivek-vasat varta

## Monthly Newsletter

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### Akhanda Chandi Path

On the auspicious Chaitra Navaratri, on 22 March 2026 the Ashrama hosted an Akhanda Chandi Path. Approximately 300



devotees gathered in the auditorium and joined the monks and members of the Ashrama's *Balak Sangha* and *Kanya Sangha* to chant the entire Chandi with enthusiasm and devotion. The event created a spiritually uplifting atmosphere for all.

### Visit by the Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal

The Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Sri R. N. Ravi, accompanied by Smt. Laxmi Ravi, the First Lady of the State, visited Swami Vivekananda's Ancestral House on the afternoon



of 25 March 2026. The Governor and his entourage made floral offerings at Swamiji's statue and at the shrine of the Holy Trio. They toured the Vivekananda Museum, viewing sites associated with events from Swamiji's childhood. They also visited the Vireshwar Shiva Shrine and made offerings to Lord Shiva. A few books and other items were presented to them as tokens of appreciation. In the comment book, the Governor wrote a brief note expressing his deep and sincere impressions of his visit to Swamiji's birthplace.

### Vivekananda Swavalamban Pratishtan – a new service initiative

Swami Vivekananda's Ancestral House has launched a new project to empower the needy women in the surrounding areas by helping them achieve financial independence. Under



this initiative self-help groups of interested women will produce popular snack items and pickles to be marketed by

the Ashrama, with profits shared among the participants. The venture made an auspicious beginning on 22 March 2026. Within a few hours of the soft launch, more than 80% of the products were sold out.

### Memorial Lectures

Three Memorial Lectures were held at the Ashrama during March 2026. On 13th, Swami Devarajananda, Senior Monk of Belur Math, spoke about the spiritual practice necessary to attain the goal of seeing the Divine in all. On 16th and 18th,



Swami Purnatmananda, Secretary of the Ramakrishna Mission, Dhaka, delivered two lectures. In the first, he spoke eloquently about how Sri Sri Ma

balanced multiple dimensions of life without compromising principle, leading to peace and harmony. In the second lecture, he discussed Swamiji's messages that impart power, strength and enlightenment.