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Teachers' Conference

A half-day Teachers' Conference on Value Education was held at the Ashrama auditorium on Sunday, 28 June 2026. Eminent educationists were on the panel and 225 teachers from across the State participated in the programme. The Ashrama Secretary emphasized that teachers, who are entrusted with the task of bringing students from darkness to light, should reflect on whether they are progressing toward becoming the ideal educator. Professor Kaushik Basu of Cornell University, USA,



talked about the need to use both intellect and moral judgment when making economic decisions, illustrating his points with anecdotes from his extensive experience. Swami Tattwasarananda, Secretary of the Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark, discussed the tensions between global and local, universal and individual, and traditional and modern and encouraged teachers to embrace new ideas without abandoning their roots. A lively question-and-answer session followed, focusing on the practical challenges of inculcating values in students.

Memorial Lectures

Two memorial lectures were held in June at the Ashrama. On 6 June 2026, Swami Shastrajananda reviewed scriptural references to Yogamaya and explained how Sri Sarada Devi fulfilled the task assigned to her by Sri Ramakrishna by holding on to Yogamaya in the form of Radhu Didi. On 27 June 2026, Swami Shuddhidananda highlighted the glory of India's past and argued that it can be restored by following Swami Vivekananda's path: focusing on our roots while embracing the changes and challenges of modern times.

Summer Relief

To provide relief from the hot, sultry summer days to people around the Ashrama, relief packages were distributed at midday for four days in the month of June. Each package contained a 500 ml water bottle, a 200 ml spiced buttermilk tetra pack, four



lozenges, and two ORS sachets. In all, about 600 pedestrians, bus drivers and conductors, vehicle drivers, auto-rickshaw drivers, traffic police personnel, pushcart drivers, and cyclists passing by the Ashrama availed of the service.

Commemoration of International Day of Yoga

International Day of Yoga on 21 June 2026 was celebrated in our Ashrama along with the rest of the World. Members of the Vivekananda Balak Sangha of the Ashrama observed the day by



performing various asanas under proper guidance on the morning from 7:00 to 8:00. Monks, guardians and a few other devotees were among the spectators. In all, about 40 boys participated in the programme.