

# Vivek-vasat varta

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## Inauguration of 'Bhubaneshwari Bhavan'

A newly acquired, renovated and reconstructed building at 18 Gour Mohan Mukherjee Street, Kolkata 700006,



'Bhubaneshwari Bhavan', named after the venerable mother of Swami Vivekananda, was formally inaugurated on 1 April 2026 by Revered Srimat Swami Divyanandaji Maharaj, Vice President, Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission. The refurbished premises will house a new School of Art, conceived to nurture both traditional and contemporary artistic practice and to offer a platform for learning, exhibitions and workshops.

## Visit by Revered Vice President Maharaj Srimat Swami Divyanandaji

Revered Vice President Maharaj visited Swamiji's Ancestral House from 1-5 April 2026, much to the devotees' delight. Over a three-day period he initiated 212 devotees into Mantra Diksha and on 4 April he addressed the devotees at the Ashrama auditorium.



## Value Education Course – valedictory session

On 12 April 2026, the valedictory meeting for the third batch of the Value Education Course at Swami Vivekananda's Ancestral House took place. All the Resource Persons for the programme and the Principals of the Colleges that run the course were invited. Apart from the presentation of Certificates of



Participation to the successful students, a lively panel discussion by selected Resource Persons explored ways to improve the Value Education Programme.

## Parents' Conference

On 15 April 2026, 120 devotees of Balaichak Ramakrishna Vivekananda Granthagar O Sevashram, Hooghly, West Bengal,



gathered in the Vivekananda Hall of Swamiji's Ancestral House. The Secretary addressed the assembly, highlighting parents' duties and obligations so that the next generation receives proper guidance.

## Memorial Lectures

Three memorial lectures were held at the Ashrama. On 4 April 2026, Revered Swami Divyananda Maharajji talked, with anecdotal evidence, about the great benefit and strength one gets from the study of the Gita. Swami Sumanasananda Maharajji, on 24 April 2026, elucidated how Swami Vivekananda put in practice the wisdom of Upanishads in his life. On 30 April 2026, Swami Durganathananda Maharajji emphasized on faith in achieving the goal of God realisation.