



**Yogi Srinivas Arka invited as Chief Guest at
Kannada Rajya Shri Vaishnava Sangha
Jayanagar, Bangalore on 17 December 2023**

Yogi Srinivas Arka invited by the Kannada Rajya Shri Vaishnava Sangha Trust as Chief Guest to speak at their annual function. Established in 1940, the Trust promotes Vaishnavism, one of the pre-eminent traditions of Hinduism and the work of Shri Ramanujacharya, who was a Vedic Philosopher and Spiritual leader in the 11th century.

The organisation had invited many religious and leading personalities. Following the traditional opening of the programme, with lighting of the lamp, Yogi Srinivas Arka was requested to inaugurate their newly designed website, which was suggested by Yogi Arka at a previous meeting with the organisation.

Yogi Srinivas Arka addressed the audience with a message that the key to this life is seeking higher knowledge. “na hi jñānēna sadṛśam pavitrāmiha vidhyate..” - excerpt from a verse in the Bhagavadgita, which means that in this world there is nothing so sublime and pure as transcendental knowledge. One who has achieved this becomes aware of the Inner Self. He mentioned that the Vedic philosopher Shri Ramanujacharya had achieved this and was an enlightened master.

People often think they derive happiness in taking, acquiring for themselves. If one thinks of what they can give and offer to others, and acts upon it, then it will bring peace and joy. When priests chant Mantras traditionally, they chant the Sanskrit word ‘Samarpayāmi’, which means the act of offering and brings immense joy.

The audience were delighted to listen to Yogi Srinivas Arka’s message and were grateful to him. They were interested in knowing more about Arka Foundation charitable organisation established by Yogi Arka, as many of them visited the organisation book stall at the end of the programme.

