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P.O. Belur Math, Dist. Howrah 711202, West Bengal, India

Two-day National Seminar

on

“Ancient and Contemporary Commentators of the Vedas”

3, 4 April 2026 (Friday, Saturday), 10.00 AM—5.00 PM each day

Venue: Abhedananda Convention Centre, Belur Math

Day I: 3 April 2026 (Friday)

- Inaugural Session: (10.00--11.15 AM):
- Opening Remarks and Welcome (in Bengali): Swami Atmapriyananda, Pro-Chancellor & Secretary, RKMVERI (15 mins.)
- Introductory Address of Benediction (in Sanskrit) by Parama Pujya Swami Gautamanandaji Maharaj, Sanghadhyaksha (President), Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission (15 mins.)
- Release of the latest volume of our bilingual (Sanskrit and English) journal, *Prajnaloka*
- Keynote Address (in Sanskrit): Prof. Rani Sadasivamurthy, Vice Chancellor, Sri Venkateswara Vedic University, Tirupati (45 mins.)

Tea Break: 11.20—11.40 AM

Technical Session I (11.45 AM to 12.55 PM): Different Veda-Bhashyakaras

Topic	Speaker
Sāyaṇācārya	Prof. Prava Ramakrishna Somayaji Sarma (35 mins.)
Kapāli Śāstrī	Dr. Neeraj Kumar Bhargave (35 mins.)

Lunch Break (Sarada Sevavrata, Belur Math dining hall): 1.00 PM--1.45 PM)

Technical Session II (2.00 PM to 3.10 PM): Different Veda-Bhashyakaras (contd.)

Topic	Speaker
Durgadas Lahiri and Satyavrata Sāmāśramī	Prof. Mau Dasgupta (35 mins.)
Viśiṣṭādvaita perspective of Vedabhāṣya	Dr. D. Dayanathan (35 mins.)

3.15 PM—4.30 PM: Swami Vidyananya Memorial Lecture by Prof. Rani Sadasivamurthy on Veda Bhashyas: an overview

Tea and disperse: 4.40 PM



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Day II: 4 April 2026 (Saturday)

Technical Session III (10.00 AM to 11.00 AM): Different Veda-Bhashyakaras (contd.)

Topic	Speaker
Srīpāda Dāmodara Sātvalekar	Dr. Shantanu Ayachit (35 mins.)
Bhāṣyasampatti of Mahānārāyaṇopaniṣat	Dr. Rakesh Das (35 mins.)

Tea Break: 11.00 AM—11.20 AM

Panel Discussion on various Veda-Bhashyakaras (11.25 AM—12.55 PM):

Moderated by Dr. Rakesh Das

Topics to be discussed: *Skandasvāmin*, *Veṅkaṭamādhava*, *Ubaṭa*, *Mahidhara*, *Rāvaṇa*, *Aurobindo*, *Caturvedasvāmin*, *Mudgala*, *Bhaṭṭabhāskara* etc.

Lunch Break: 1.00 PM—2.00 PM

Special programme on Srimad-Bhagavad-Gita:

***Gītāvadhānam* (2.05 PM—3.35 PM)**

***Avdhān:* Dr. Shantanu Ayachit, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Sanskrit & Philosophy, RKMVERI**

Valedictory Session: 3.45 PM—4.50 PM:

Prof. Bhaskarnath Bhattacharya, Director, Centre for Vedic Studies, Rabindra Bharati University (40 mins.)

Concluding remarks:

Swami Atmapriyananda, Pro-Chancellor & Secretary, RKMVERI (10 mins.)

Overview and vote of thanks:

Swami Japasiddhanandaji, Asst.Prof. & former Head, Dept. of Sanskrit and Philosophy, RKMVERI (15 mins.)

Tea and disperse: 4.55 PM

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Pro-Chancellor & Secretary