



Daylong symposium:

'Śāṅkara-Anudhyānam'

(Contemplation on Śāṅkara—his philosophy and works)

Organised by
Department of Sanskrit and Philosophy

Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and
Research Institute (RKMVERI)

(Deemed to be University as declared by the Govt. of India under UGC Act)

Venue: Abhedananda Convention Centre, Belur Math

Date: 30 May 2026, Saturday — 9.30 AM to 5.20 PM

On the occasion of sacred Shankara Jayanti, a whole day symposium is being organized by the Department of Sanskrit and Philosophy, Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute on 30 May 2026, Saturday. An attempt has been to capture and portray the multifaceted personality of Śrī-Śāṅkara-Bhagavatpādāḥ through hymns, his commentaries (*bhāṣyas*) on the *prasthānatraya* (which are his *magnum opus*) and *mananavicāra* (contemplation-deliberation) of the Vedanta *vākyas* (pithy sentences) from the *prasthānatraya* by our scholars. The deliberations and interactions will all be fully in Sanskrit (with some explanatory interpositions in Bengali).

No registration fees for UG/PG students.

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Registration fees of Rs.150 to be paid by all others.

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Swami Atmapriyananda

Pro-chancellor & Secretary, Ramakrishna
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Research Institute

9 May 2026

QR for UG/PG
(Free)



QR for others
(₹150)



Whole day programme in detail

- Registration: 8.00—9.00 AM

All the participants should take their seats in the auditorium by 9.20 AM

Forenoon Session: 9.30 am to 1.00 pm

- Invocation: Students of the Department — (*Ambhasya Pāre...*)
- Address of Welcome and setting the tone: Swami Atmapriyananda
- On the theme of this daylong symposium: Dr. Rakesh Das
- Hymns to *Śāṅkara* — *Toṭakāṣṭakam*: Swami Shivapurnananda
- *Prasthānatraya-sambandha-bhāṣya-pārāyaṇam*

Tea Break: 11.30 am (15 Mins)

- *Prasthānatraya-sambandha-bhāṣya-pārāyaṇam* (Continued)

Lunch Break: 1:30 pm to 2:20 pm

Afternoon Session: 2.30 am to 5.20 pm

- 2.30 pm: Bhaja Govindam song — Swami Sarvabhadrananda
- 2.45 pm: **Q & A (Questions & Answers) on Advaita Vedanta based on Śāṅkarācārya's Ātmānātmaviveka** : to be conducted in the style of *sishya-acharya samvada* by Dr Rakesh Das
- 3.05 pm: Stotram (*Manobuddhyāhamkāra...*) — Swami Sarvabhadrananda
- 3.15 pm: **Śāṅkara's teachings of the Aupaniṣadam Brahma (Upāsya and Jñeya Brahma)** — Swami Atmapriyananda
- 3.30 pm: *Annapūrṇā* Stotram and *Bhavānyaṣṭakam* — Shubham Chakraborty
- 3.40 pm: **Ācārya Śāṅkara's struggles and the challenges that he faced to establish the Vaidika Dharma (philosophically refuting the doctrines of Purva Mimamsa on the one hand and Buddhism on the other hand in the context of the Vedantic goal of Ātma-Brahma-aikya-jñāna)** — Dr. Neeraj Kumar Bhargave
- 3.55 pm: 'Namāmi karuṇālayaṁ lokaśāṅkaram' (Shankara's infinite compassion) — Dr. Rakesh Das
- 4.10 pm: *Kanakadhārāstotram* — Swami Sarvabhutananda
- 4.20 pm: *Śāṅkara* as a great organizer — *Ṣaṅmata-sthāpana* and *Daśanāmi sampradaya*— Brahmachari Aditya Maharaj (Yogesh Chaitanya)
- 4.35 pm: *Śivāparādhakṣamāpana* Stotram — Swami Sarvabhadrananda
- 4.45 pm: Swami Vivekananda's statement: 'Advaita should be living, poetic in everyday life'— Swami Japasiddhananda
- 5.00 pm: Swami Vivekananda's concept of 'Practical Vedanta' vis-à-vis Sri Ramakrishna's statement: 'Tie the knot of *Advaitajñāna* in the corner of your cloth and do what you will (that is, go about the affairs of the world with the full blaze of Advaita knowledge illumining all your actions) — Swami Buddhidananda
- 5.10 pm: Concluding song: Guru stotram (tatah kim...) — Swami Vidyapradananda
- 5.20 pm: Tea and disperse