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**Sanskrit Week Celebration 2026**

Dates: 24-29 August 2026

Time: 4.10 PM to 6.30 PM (everyday)

Venue: Abhedananda Convention Centre, Belur Math

**Note:** The entire deliberations on each day of the week will be fully in simple Sanskrit easily understandable by all. As Swami Vivekananda famously remarked: "...the very sound of Sanskrit words gives a prestige and a power and a strength to the race."

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 1 (24 August 2026, Monday)**

| Event                                                   | Timing  |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Chanting of Vedic mantras (shiva-samkalpa-suktam)       | 4.10 PM |
| Welcome address by Swami Atmapriyanandaji               | 4.20 PM |
| Swami Vivekananda's Sanskrit stotras on Sri Ramakrishna | 4.35 PM |
| Rāmakṛṣṇa-daśakam (Brahma-rupam-ādi) by students        | 4.45 PM |
| Inaugural Address by Respected Swami Japasiddhanandaji  | 4.55 PM |
| Aṣṭāvadhanam                                            | 5.15 PM |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                             | 7.15 PM |

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 2 (25 August 2026, Tuesday)**

| Event                                                | Timing  |
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| Chanting of some Hymns from the Sāmaveda by students | 4.10 PM |
| Introduction to Vedic Sūktas (Medhā and Śraddhā)     | 4.15 PM |
| Sāradā-ṣaṭkaṁ by students                            | 4.40 PM |
| Introduction to Vedāṅga: (Śikṣā and Vyākaraṇa)       | 4.45 PM |
| Annapūrṇā-stotram by students (with simple meaning)  | 5.05 PM |
| The story of Āruṇi and Dhaumya                       | 5.20 PM |
| Dakṣiṇāmūrti-stotram of Śri Śankaracharya            | 5.40 PM |
| A dramatic presentation of the Praśnopaniṣad         | 5.45 PM |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                          | 6.15 PM |

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 3 (26 August 2026, Wednesday)**

| Event                                                               | Timing  |
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| Chanting of some Hymns from the Śuklayajurveda (Kāṇva) by students  | 4.10 PM |
| Introduction to Vedic Sūktas (Puruṣasūkta)                          | 4.15 PM |
| Śivāparādha-kṣamāpana-stotram by students (with simple meaning)     | 4.40 PM |
| Introduction to Vedāṅga: (Chhandas)                                 | 5.05 PM |
| The story of Upamanyu and Dhaumya                                   | 5.20 PM |
| Govindāśṭaka-stotram                                                | 5.40 PM |
| A dramatic presentation of the Śvetaketu-śikṣā (from the Chāndogya) | 5.50 PM |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                                         | 6.15 PM |

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 4 (27 August 2026, Thursday)**

| Event                                                               | Timing  |
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| Chanting of hymns from the Śuklayajurveda (Mādhyandina) by students | 4.10 PM |
| Introduction to Vedic Sūktas (Nārāyaṇasūkta)                        | 4.15 PM |
| Gadādhara-stotram by students (with simple meaning)                 | 4.40 PM |
| Introduction to Vedāṅga: (Nirukta)                                  | 5.05 PM |
| The story of Lakṣmī from the Mahābhārata                            | 5.25 PM |
| Kanakadhārā-stotram of Śrī Śankaracharya (with simple meaning)      | 5.45 PM |
| A dramatic presentation of the Bhṛguvallī (from the Taittirīya)     | 6.00 PM |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                                         | 6.20 PM |

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 5 (28 August 2026, Friday)**

| <b>Event</b>                                                                                                               | <b>Timing</b> |
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| Chanting of some Hymns from the Kṛṣṇayajurveda by students                                                                 | 4.10 PM       |
| Introduction to Nāsadiya-sūkta                                                                                             | 4.15 PM       |
| Manīṣāpañcakam of Śrī Śankaracharya: chanting with simple meaning                                                          | 4.35 PM       |
| Introduction to Vedāṅga: (Jyotiṣa)                                                                                         | 4.55 PM       |
| Premachanda Tarkavāgīśa Memorial Lecture by Dr. Tanmay Kumar Bhattacharya on 'Premachanda Tarkavāgīśasya Sāhitya-pratibha' | 5.10 PM       |
| 'Bhaja-Govindam...' stotram of Śrī Śankaracharya                                                                           | 5.35 PM       |
| Speech by Sri Abhijit Chakraborty (Chief Law Officer, Kolkata Port Trust)                                                  | 5.45 PM       |
| Speech by Bishwnath Chattopadhyay (Founder-Chairman of Premchand Tarkavāgīśa Memorial Trust)                               | 6.00 PM       |
| Speech by Respected Swami Atmapriyanandaji                                                                                 | 6.15 PM       |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                                                                                                | 6.30 PM       |

**Tentative Schedule of Events: Day 6 (29 August 2026, Saturday)**

| <b>Event</b>                                                                                                                            | <b>Timing</b> |
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| Chanting of some Hymns from the Athravaveda by students                                                                                 | 4.10 PM       |
| Introduction to Hiraṇyagarbha-sūkta                                                                                                     | 4.15 PM       |
| Introduction to Vedāṅga: (Kalpa)                                                                                                        | 4.35 PM       |
| Devyaparādha-kṣamāpana-stotra (with simple meaning)                                                                                     | 5.00 PM       |
| Anecdote of the birth of the Deity of Death (from the Mahābhārata)                                                                      | 5.15 PM       |
| Benedictory address (valediction) by Paramapujya Srimat Swami Gautamanandaji Maharaj, President, Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission | 5.35 PM       |
| Śaraṇāgati-gadyam of Śrī Rāmānujāchārya (recitation by Swami Buddhidanandaji with simple gist of the meaning)                           | 5.50 PM       |
| Dramatic presentation of the Yakṣaprasna                                                                                                | 6.05 PM       |
| Shanti mantra and Aratrikam                                                                                                             | 6.35 PM       |