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NAGANUR SHRI RUDHRAKSHI MUTT'S LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

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ABSTRACT: -

There are thousands of Mutts in Karnataka. A mutt is found in each village. These Mutts have been providing their service to our society, and their scope of such activities has gradually changed in course of time. They have been contributing to educational, literary, social and religious and other areas immensely.

KEYWORDS: Naganur shri Rudhrakshi Mutt's literary, social and religious.

INTRODUCTION:

It is appreciable that some of them have established academies, and are working like a university publishing directorates. Naganur Shri Rudrakshi Mutt of Belagavi district is one such Mutts. The Mutt is serving in literary, educational, social and religious areas. But the present research intends to study the contributions of the Mutt to literature.

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE MUTT:

Shri Naganur Rudrakshi Mutt was established by seer Shri Allama Prabhu and seer Siddarama Swami in 1820 in Naganur of Bailhongal taluk, Belagavi district. Since then eight seers have been through this Mutt. Now Dr. Siddarama Swami is the ninth seer of the Mutt.

In the initial days of the Mutt, the seers toiled to sustain the social integrity through their preaching and rituals. The Mutt continued to work in various field during the time of the eighth Peethadhipathi Dr. Shri Shivabasava Swami. Though the revered Swami was not a litterateur himself, he had inclination towards writers. He patronized many writers when they were need of economical support.

Veteran writers like Eshwar Sanakal, F. G. Halakatti, S. I. Inchal, Dr. R. C. Hiremath, Etc. re names to be mentioned who are being patronized. Prior to the initiation of Lingayat Research Academy, the revered Swami had published several books from (Vidhyarthi Prasad Nilaya). Ekottara Sthala, Veerashaivamata Purana Sangama Sthaliche Jala, Jnanadasohi Danamma, Shivanubhava Patrike, Sudharnava Part- 1 and 2, Basava Sahityavahini, etc. are some of the published books. Like revere Prabhu Swami was inclined towards literature. But, due to his untimely death, revere Dr. Siddarama



Swami became the 9th heir to the Mutt. He was an orator, litterateur, progressive thinker and was post graduated in Sanskrit, philosophy and Hindi subjects. He has written several books and his new paper articles were collected and published in the form like Ishtalinga Pooja Vidhana, Islam Dharma Sandesha, Vachanartha Chintana, "Dharmajyoti and Chintana, etc.

In 1991 revered Dr. Siddarama Swami started Lingayat Research Academy under the guidance of revered Dr. Shivabasava Swamy. Today many elementary/ valuable books are published by this academy. Lingayat Research Academy was inspired by Lingayat Research Institute of Gadag's Tontadacharya Mutt. Dr. M M. Kalaburgi was supervising these activities. Qualitative PhD thesis, essays, literary books are published by the academy. These books can be categorized as historical, religious, literary, cultural books.

A. PHD THESIS

Totally 8 PhD thesis have been published till this time under the Academy's guidance. It is significant that these works are not bound by religious boundaries. Karnatakadalli Sati Paddati, 7 NeBikramadityana Shasanaglu Ondu Adyayana, are historical PhD thesis, where as Deputy Chennabasappanvara Jeevana mattu Sadhane, M. A. Chetti Jeevana matuu Kalakritigla Adhyayana, are the research outputs of an educationalist and an artist respectively. Basavaraj Kattimani Kadambarigalu, Prof. K. G. Kundanagara Ondu Adhyayana are autobiographical research works of the lives of the literary stalwarts. These publications stand beyond the Veerashaiva Lingayat Literary circles. Along with these Upanishadgalu mattu Vachanagala Taulanika Adhyayana, publications like Basavannanavara Vachanagalalli Manavatavada, are pertaining to religious matters.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS PUBLISHED BY THE MUTT

Akkamahadevi Vachanapada Prayoga Kosha, Sudhaarnava Volume 1 And 2, Vachangalli Tatvamimamse, Basava Mattu... , Danadasohi Danamma, Lingayata Darshana, Dharmika Nambikegalu Mattu Darshanika Vishleshane, Shivasharanara Charitamrita, Shivanubhava Patrike, Jedara Dasimayyana Pada Prayoga Kosha, Basavanna Bharatiya Dehada European Manassu, Vachanasahitya, Basavannanavara Vachanapada Prayoga Kosha, Akkamahadevi Yoganga Trividhi, Basavasmarane, Dharmajyoti, Bachanartha Chintana, Metaphysics Of Lingayatism, Vision Of Basava, Lingayata Darma Parichaya, Lingayata Sampadakiya, Chintana, Aagamokta Veerashaiva Vachanokta Lingayata, Veerashaiva Ithihasa Mattu Bhugola, Lingayataru Hindugalalla, Siddhanta Shikhamaniya Asambaddha Siddhantagal, Vachanadharita Ishtalinga Pooja Vidhana, Basaveshwara Aane, Veerashaiva Ithihasaane Bhugola, Lingayata Hindu Naachita, Sharananche Eka Se Eka Vachana, Sharanara Noorondu Vachangalu, Islam Dharma Sandesha, Bhakti Darshana, Vachana Sudhe, Vachanagala Shuddhikarana, Mysticism And Science, Na Kanda Anna Basavanna, Basavanna Mattu Shivayoga, Anga Huttittu Basavannaninda, Mahadaarshanikaru, Shivasharara Tejovadhe, Basava Vachana Hoogonchal, Lingayata Samaja Mattu Samskritilingayata Dharma Stapaka Basavanna, Vachanagalli Tatvamimamse, Lingaleela Vilasa Charitrya, Beragu, Sharana Sahitya, Samskriti Adhyayana, Aydaki Marayya Lakkamma Dampatigalu, Ashuddha Mattu Asatya Vachanagala Vivechane, Molige Marayyabasavanna Lingayata Dharma, Ishtalinga Pooja Vidhana, Bayalu Galikeya Belagu, Sharana Patha Manuja Mata- And So On, There Are 58 Books Related To Religion That Are Published By The Mutt.

HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL BOOKS PUBLISHED BY THE MUTT

Bilagi Arasu Manetana, Belagavi Jilleya Vidvat Parampare, Karnataka Ekikaranadalli Belagavi Jilleya Patra, Hindana Hejje Mundane Marga, Mahamarga, Galagali Grama Janapada, K.L.E. Samste, Veerashaiva Vidhyavardhaka Sanga Bellary, Naganur Shri Rudrakshi Mathada Hastapatri Soochu, Dakshina Bharatadalli Hastapatri Granthalayagalu, Samshodhana Lekhana Soochi, Dasoha, Janapada Bhakti Bhava, Haada Tooryadyava, Haari Hoguva Hamsa Ekangi, Olage Pravesha, Sampadakana Antaranga, Shikshana Samskriti (In The Memories Of V D Rachanayaka's), Vatsalya (In The Memory Of Panchakshari)- Are 20 Books Published By The Mutt Related To History And Culture.

AUTOBIOGRAPHIES

Kanavi Samagra Kavya, Naganur Shri Shivasava Swamigalu, S.S. Basavanal, Chirantana Chetana, H.V. Kaujalagi, B. S. Gavannavar- Are The Autobiographies Published by The Mutt.

AGRARIAN LITERATURE;

Kavalu Dariyalli Namma Krishi.

Libraries are the preserving centers of literature that cater to many research scholars and readers. Litterateurs are integral part of literature. Naganur Mutt also has a library called Lingayat Central Library. It is tremendous treasury of information for those who wish to take up research work related to Lingayat literature and culture. The library was a dream come true of revered dr. Shri Shivabasava Swami's resolutions and Dr. Siddarama Swami's efforts in 1995. "It is modelled upon R. G. Bhandarkar Research Center of Pune. Even today the library has the availability of Hindi Marathi, English, Sanskrit, Telugu, Tamil, Konkani and other language text books. There are more than 12000 books including 10820 Kannada, 761 English, 126 Hindi, 373 Marathi, 244 Sanskrit books"

"It is a unique library with the books pertaining to Lingayat community in India" said the chief Librarian Dr. S R Gunjal of this library. Likewise, the library has subscribed 12 different journals published from various Mutts. It caters to the research scholars by collecting and dividing these journals after every five years. Manuscripts section is another attraction of the library.

MANUSCRIPTS SECTION

The manuscripts in the librare have been preserved and maintedned by the Stage Gazetteer/Archives Department. "There is a collection of more than 600 copies in the Mutt. There is a collection of 200 manuscripts pertaining to Lingayat sect. 585 of them ae filed or bound".³ RAMANASHREE award is bestowed upon the library for this incredible service. Revered Dr. Siddarama Swami has proudly exclaimed that the library provided enormous information to many research scholars.

CONCLUSION

Thus, Naganur Shri Rudrakshi Mutt is publishing valuable related to Veerashaiva tradition, history, culture and literature under Lingayat Research Academy Publication. The Mutt is also Providing valuable contribution to research scholars, books lovers and litterateurs by preserving thousands of books in Lingayat Central Library.

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