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# EXTENSION ON PROMOTION OF THE INDIGENOUS HERITAGE AND TRADITION OF KERALA

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## **ACTIVITY 1**

## **REPORT ON**

## **EXTENSION ACTIVITY**

# ACQUAINTING THE UNIQUENESS OF THE VEDIC EDUCATION SYSTEM IN KERALA

The Extension Activity on **Acquainting the Uniqueness of the Vedic Education System in Kerala**, as part of the UGC STRIDE Component 1 Project, was organized by the STRIDE Core Committee and conducted during 2021-2023.

Education in ancient India aimed at training the mind as an instrument of knowledge and the discharge of one's Dharma. Contemporary Indian thinkers link it with human and societal development. The ancient Indian system of education is well known as the Gurukula system of education. In the Gurukula education system, the student stays with the guru, serving and learning from him. One who removes the darkness of ignorance of the blinded (un-enlightened) by applying the ointment (medicine) of spiritual knowledge and opens the eyes is known as a Guru. As the Vedas are the earliest available documents of human knowledge and literature, Vedic literature has been subjected to various streams of education systems and thoughts in its discourses from very ancient times. Compared to the Vedic chanting tradition of other parts of India, Kerala preserves a unique method in this teaching-learning process.

In the academic year 2021-22, the core committee of UGC STRIDE from Sreekrishnapuram V. T. Bhattathiripad College visited several esteemed Vedic education institutions in Kerala. These included Vadakke Madham Brahma Swam, Thrissur; Kanchi Kamakoti Yajurveda Pathasala, Irinjalakkuda, Thrissur; Arsha Vidya Gurukulam, Samaveda Pathasala at Kodunthirappully, Palakkad; Mullamangalam Veda Pathasala, Vadakkekkad, Thrissur; Chandrasekharendra Saraswati Vedapatasala at Ramanathapuram, Palakkad; and Raghavapuram Veda Pathasala, Payyannur, Kannur. During their visits, the committee conducted interviews with Vedic students, scholars, and teachers from these institutions. Accompanying the core

committee were students from Sreekrishnapuram V. T. Bhattathiripad College, who shared in the excitement of exploring the Vedic education system in Kerala. They meticulously documented reviews on the Kerala Vedic education system, highlighting its unique methods and practices. As a result, the students and teachers of the college gained an understanding of the present scenario of the Vedic education system and the attitudes of society and the government towards Vedic students, scholars, and institutions.

In August 2021, Sreekrishnapuram V. T. Bhattathiripad College organized an online short-term course titled "Oral Traditions of Vedic Education - Structural and Phonetic Perspectives." The primary objective of this course was to explore the structural and content aspects of Rigveda, Yajurveda, and Samaveda, delve into the unique chanting styles specific to each Veda, and study the Pratisakhyas (phonetic rules) associated with Rigveda, Yajurveda, and Samaveda. Additionally, the course aimed to examine Tamil traditions related to Yajurveda and Samaveda. Over ten days, Vedic scholars presented the distinctive features of each Veda and demonstrated them with the participation of Vedic students. Sanskrit scholars conducted textual studies to explore the content of each Veda and Vedangas (limbs of the Vedas), while also comparing Vedic methods with other classical art forms. This initiative significantly contributed to the advancement of research in Vedic phonetics and Vedangas, paving the way for deeper scholarly inquiry in these fields. Moreover, the course served to inspire and motivate institutions and students engaged in the traditional teaching and learning of the Vedas.

In the year 2022-23, the college invited Vedic education institutions, including scholars and students, to a three-day international conference on the topic "Philosophy of Education in India Through the Ages - From Prehistoric to Present Time." The event aimed to present reviews about the Vedas and demonstrate each Veda to the students and teachers of the college, as well as to renowned scholars in the field of the philosophy of education. It was a wonderful experience for Vedic scholars, students, and the college community. The mainstream education system and the traditional education system were brought together to explore how the ancient system could blend with modern education.



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## **ACTIVITY 2**

# REPORT ON EXTENSION ACTIVITY ANALYSING THE UNIQUE TRADITIONAL VEDIC CHANTING SYSTEM IN KERALA

The Extension Activity on **Analysing the Unique Traditional Vedic Chanting System in Kerala**, as part of the UGC STRIDE Project, was organized by the STRIDE Core Committee and conducted over a two-year duration from 2021-2023.

1.	04/09/2021	Recording of Vedic chanting at Studio

With the guidance of scholars and experts, Vedic chants were recorded at Saptak Studio, Muthuvattur, Chavakkad. Different styles of Vedic chants from different Vedas were recorded.

2.	21/05/2022	Discussion and Coding

With the help of subject experts, we developed a Python code to display the spectrogram of the audio signal. The resultant spectrogram was a heat map with colors. In the spectrogram, the X-axis represented time, the Y-axis represented frequency, and the colors denoted the power of the audio signal. The code is based on the concept of the Short-Time Fourier Transform.

We extracted some frequency and power values from the Python code to display the spectrogram and tried to plot those using the GNU plot to understand the correlation. In the meeting, subject expert Dr. N.M. Narayanan recorded a Vedic chanting audio that contained only Udatham and Anudatham.





3.	24/07/2022	Discussion about Results and Research Paper

In the meeting, the members discussed the results obtained so far and also discussed the research paper preparation. The members discussed the steps to be followed for marking the boundary of each Svara using the Root analysis framework.

4.	28/01/2023	Coding and Results

The agenda of the meeting was to evaluate the analysis of Vedic chanting using Root analysis framework. With the help of the fitting function in Root the area, the statistical mean and standard deviation of each Svara got identified.

5.	03/02/2023	Discussion about Results and research paper





Using the gate function in the Root and processing the Root code with different variety of audio inputs **a colony for each Svara** was obtained in the final result.

6.	28/02/2023	Project Presentation in International Conference

The results of this analysis were presented at the three-day International Conference on "Philosophy of Education in India through Ages – from Prehistoric to Present time" as a research paper named "Analysis of Vaidikaswaram".



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# ACTIVITY 3 REPORT ON EXTENSION ACTIVITY ON

# PERSONALITY TRAINING AND MOTIVATION FOR STUDENTS AT VEDIC EDUCATION CENTRES IN KERALA.

## Introduction

The Extension Activity on Personality Training and Motivation for students at Vedic education centers in Kerala was organized by the STRIDE Core Committee as part of the UGC STRIDE Project, for students from Vedic education centers. It was conducted from 2021 to 2023.

Sl No.	College to Vedapathasalas	Date
1.	Vadakke Madham Brahmaswam,	05/03/2021,
	Thrissur	27/08/2022,
		09/12/2022
2.	Kamakoti Yajurveda Patasala,	05/03/2021,
	Irinjalakuda	31/05/2022,
		24/11/2022
3.	Sreeraghavapuram Brahamaswam	12/11/2022
	Matham Vedapathasala	
4.	Arsha Vidya Gurukulam Jaiminiya	12/03/2021,
	Samaveda Pathashala,	08/12/2022
	Kodunthirappully,	
5.	Mullamangalath Mana Vedapatashala,	18/02/2022,
	Kunnamkulam, Thrissur.	11/12/2022
6.	Chandrasekhara Saraswati	12/02/2021,
	Vedapathasala, Ramanathapuram	16/01/2023
	Pathasalas to College	
1.	International Conference on Educational	01/03/2023
	Philosophy in India - Demonstration on	
	Method of teaching in Vedic education	



### 1. Vadakke Madham Brahmaswam, Thrissur.

On 07/03/2021, core committee members of the project visited Vadakke Madham Brahmaswom and conducted the first round of interaction with students. The core committee member Sruthi P.A., and Malavika V (Research Assistant) with selected students from the UGC STRIDE Component 1 project visited Vadakke Madham Brahmaswam on 09/12/2022 and conducted an activity-oriented motivation class for the students.

### 2. Kamakoti Yajurveda Patasala, Irinjalakuda.

The core committee members did the first round of interaction with sixteen students from Kamakoti Yajurveda Pathasala on 24/11/2022. The core committee members Sathybhama N. and Sruthi P.A. visited Kamakoti Yajurveda Patasala on 31/05/2022 and conducted an activity-oriented motivation class for the students.

## 3. Sreeraghavapuram Brahamaswam Matham Vedapathasala

The core committee members conducted a visit to Sreeraghavapuram Brahamaswam Matham Vedapathasala under the Sreeraghavapuram Sabhayogam on 12/11/2022

# 4. Arsha Vidya Gurukulam Jaiminiya Samaveda Pathashala, Kodunthirappully, Palakkad

The Core committee members visited the Arsha Vidya Gurukulam Jaiminiya Samaveda Pathashala, Kodunthirappully on 12/02/2021. Sruthi P. A (Core committee member), and Mrs. Malavika V (Research Assistant) from the UGC STRIDE Component 1 project visited Arsha Vidya Gurukulam Jaiminiya Samaveda Pathashala, Kodunthirappully on 08/12/2022 and conducted activity-oriented motivation class for the students.

# 5. Mullamangalath Mana Vedapatashala, Kunnamkulam, Thrissur

The core committee of the UGC STRIDE project of Sreekrishnapuram V T Bhattathiripad College conducted a motivation class for students of Mullamangalath Mana Vedapatashala, Kunnamkulam, Thrissur. On 18/02/2022 The core committee visited Mullamangalath Mana situated at Kunnamkulam, Thrissur and conducted a first-round interaction with students. Dr. Parvathy K.P, Rathi K.N, Sathyabhama N (Core committee members), and Malavika V (Research Assistant) with selected students from the UGC STRIDE Component 1 project visited Mullamangalath Mana on 11/12/2022 and conducted activity oriented motivation class for vedic students.

## 6. Chandrasekhara Saraswati Vedapathasala, Ramanathapuram

The core committee of the UGC STRIDE project of Sreekrishnapuram V T Bhattathiripad College conducted a motivation class for students of Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Sankaracharya Veda Pathasala. The committee members Dr. Parvathy K P and Rathi K N visited the Pathasala to get permission for data collection for the experimental study on 12/02/2021.

Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Sankaracharya Veda Pathasala was established in 1996 under the banner of the Veda Rakshana Samithi at Chathapuram Agraharam in Kalpathi. Dr. Parvathy K. P. and Research Assistant Malavika V visited the Pathasala on 16/01/2023 and provided a session on motivating students for memorization and mathematical inclination in ancient tools like **Kaṭapayādi system** of numerical notations to letters.

## International Conference on Educational Philosophy in India

During the International Conference on Education Philosophy of India Through Ages – From Pre-Historic to Present held from Feb 27 to March 1<sup>st,</sup> 2023, a session of Demonstration on the Method of Teaching in Vedic education was organised. The students from different Vedic education centres visited our institution and chanting was conducted by them.



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# REPORT ON OUTREACH PROGRAMME 2019-20 GITAVĀNI

### Introduction

An outreach program aims to help, uplift, and support those deprived of certain services and rights. It involves giving learning, social planning, health support, and other projects for their welfare. The department focused on spreading Indian heritage and philosophy by motivating school students to learn Indian Philosophy and Sanskrit language.

The Sanskrit Department of VTB College, Mannampatta, organized an outreach program to uplift values among students. The program, named GITAVANI, was conducted from January 6, 2020, to January 20, 2020, spanning around two weeks. The topic introduced the great ancient Indian text, Bhagavad Gita, to raise awareness of the principles of the Gita for both learners and listeners, thereby attaining knowledge regarding varied research topics connected with the Gita. Second-year students of BA Sanskrit handled the classes for the higher secondary students of Palakkad district. Department faculty member Sruthi P. A. coordinated the program.

The selected schools are given below: -

1. Sreekrishnapuram HSS, 4. Vellinezhi HSS,

2. Thottara HSS 5. Kadambur HSS, and

3. Pulappatta HSS.

The topic is divided into three modules. They are: -

- An introduction to Bhagavadgita,
- The importance of Karmayoga and
- The principles in Jnanayoga.

The list of students who participated and the topics are given below: -



S1 No	Name	Topic
1	Achyuthankutty S	An introduction to Bhagavadgita
2	Anjana K.S	An introduction to Bhagavadgita
3	Kavya C	An introduction to Bhagavadgita
4	Sruthi K	The importance of Karmayoga
5	Anjali P	The importance of Karmayoga
6	Salini MU	The importance of Karmayoga
7.	Swaminathan P. G	The principles in Jnana yoga
8.	Sanju R	The principles in Jnana yoga
9.	Uma K.S	The principles in Jnana yoga

The activity extended for nearly two weeks. Students engaged in classes during this period in various schools as they are interested in such programmes. Following the classes measured the enthusiasm of the listening students by taking a survey of their feedback. The collected feedback improved the outcomes in future activities. Besides giving feedback by filling out the forms they reflected on their experiences and ideas that they gathered from the classes of Bhagavadgita. They became aware of the content in the teachings of Gita and laid a foundation for the concepts of Gita. The outcome of this outreach activity reached far more than expected.





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# ACTIVITY 5 REPORT ON OUTREACH PROGRAMME RĀMAKATHĀSUDHĀ 2022-23

An outreach programme aims to help, uplift, and support those deprived of certain services and rights. It involves giving learning, social planning, health support, and other projects for their welfare.

The Sanskrit Department of SVTB College, Mannampatta, organized an outreach programme to uplift values among students. The programme, named Rāmakathāsudhā, was held from August 29, 2022, to August 30, 2022, in association with the Ramayanamasa celebration.

Ramayanamasa means the month dedicated to Ramayana and propagating the story of Ramayana and the significance of the life of Rama. The tradition and heritage of Kerala opted to read Ramayana during the whole Malayalam month of Karkkitakam. They made it a point to read the whole text within a month. A negligible number of people continued reading it during Karkkidakam, too, but that was in the evening or night, compared to the olden days when the reading took place during the whole day. So, the Department also celebrates Ramayana month to promote cultural and environmental values to a great extent. The students from the third-year degree class were selected to participate and were prepared for the outreach programme organized by the Department in collaboration with secondary-level schools of Palakkad District.

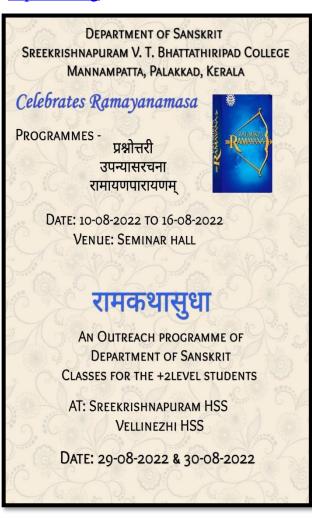
The selected students of the Department visited Sreekrishnapuram Higher Secondary School and Vellinezhi Higher Secondary School to impart the environmental ethics and cultural heritage in our tradition. They used PowerPoint presentations to share their perspectives on the subject. The pupils of the school education were enthusiastic, and our students gave an excellent presentation on the subjects. Despite this, the attempt was a

complete success. The list of the students who participated in the programme is given below: -

1.	Akhila U	4	Anila P
2.	Vishnu A.N	5	Roshni R
3.	Syama P	6	Aiswarya M.S.

The link for the program is also shared here.

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## **ACTIVITY 6**

# REPORT ON OUT REACH PROGRAMME SAÑJĪANI – 2023 – 24

Ramayanamasa is celebrated by the Sanskrit Department of Sreekrishnapuram V. T. Bhattathiripad College with various academic events. On **August 8, 2023**, the Department conducted an outreach program called "**Sañjīvani**" to promote therapeutic plants in the wake of Karkkidakamasa.

A **PowerPoint presentation** was used to develop an assignment on **Environmental Policies** in traditional knowledge, which they presented to the students of Sreekrishnapuram Higher Secondary School and Vellinezhi Higher Secondary School. The students of our Department were inspired to investigate the subject matter due to this innovative approach. The student representatives and the subjects allocated to them are given below.

STUDENT	TOPIC
REPRESENTATIVE	
Radhamani K (3 <sup>rd</sup> BA )	Introduction to Sanskrit literature
Anaswara K (3 <sup>rd</sup> BA)	Dashapushpam (Ten plants with
	medicinal importance)
Amrutha K (3 <sup>rd</sup> BA)	Introduction to medicinal plants
Vismaya C P (3 <sup>rd</sup> BA)	Pathilakal (Ten seasonal leaves
	from plants and creepers essential
	for well-being on rainy days.)

The students of both schools passionately attended the class. The coordination of the students and teachers was reflected in the presentations of the programme. The school students had a nice experience and were interested in the Sanskrit language and literature. The department's students have introduced young minds to the value of sustainable ecology through traditional knowledge centers.

# **Brochure and Gallery**









# II. Publication of different faculty aiming the promotion of Indian Knowledge tradition through Vaikhari Centre for Research in Kerala Heritage.

# Evidence of success in research-oriented community engagement through publications.

Sreekrishnapuram V.T. Bhattathiripad College has successfully developed a research culture in Indian knowledge and heritage zones through the publication of different related subjects. **The Vedic education system** has a significant role in the research area while the governing body of the institution has a special link with it. To develop capacity-building activities in the student community, the college has established a continuous publication process through the centre. The following are the major contributions to the specific area. The augmentation of the research in the IKS division has been apprising the vision and mission of the institution Tamaso ma jyotirgamaya.

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#### Education under the Kerala Style of Vedic Oral Tradition with Special Reference to Samaveda

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Abstract: Sama Veda is one among the four Vedas which includes the collection of hymns with musical content which are used for worshipping god at the time of fire sacrifices. The Vedic education exists right from the Vedic age. The main purpose of the study is to analyse the uniqueness of the education ideas behind the Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of the roal tradition. This study tried to analyse the problems faced by the system even after UNESCO considered it as intangible cultural heritage of mankind and intended to provide some practical recommendations to overcome these problems. The investigators used the Case study method for the research and the primary and secondary data were used for the analysis. The investigators found that the main aim of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala oral tradition is to preserve and transmit the Vedic culture by oral teaching learning method and the curriculum includes the Sama veda text along with its Upanishad Kerala oral tradition is now struggling for existence because of the modernization in Kerala. The investigators intended to suggest that there must be an immediate step from government or some NGOs for protecting the oral tradition of Sama Veda.

Keywords: Sama Veda, oral tradition, Kerala style

#### I. Introduction

The oral traditions of Vedas are the means of preservation of culture and tradition of India. Vedic education is the education system followed in Vedic era in India. This education is based on Vedic literature. Vedic literature is divided in to two — Sruti and Smriti. Sruti means "the heard" and Smriti means the remembered'. Sruti includes the Four Vedas. Rig Veda is the oldest and considered as chief among the four Vedas. Sama veda is that collection of Vedas used for worshipping and praising god. Much of this content is from Rig Vedic hymns added with musical content. Sama veda is treated as the very basis of Indian classical

music. They are all arranged for being sung at Yajnas and yagas.

In ancient India, Vedas were learnt by repetition of various forms of recitation. By means of memorization they were passed down through many generations. The Gurukula supported traditional education system. Education at first was freely available in Vedic society. There are different styles of Vedic recitation in India, Kerala style is one among them

II. Need And Significance Of The Study

As Historians' opinion the Vedic civilization existed 3000 years back. From that period onwards the Vedic oral tradition survived till the date. It can be considered as a great cultural transmission through thousands of generations. The oral tradition of Vedic chanting was included in the list of Intangible cultural heritage and Register of best safeguarding practices by UNESCO in the year of 2008. In sociological perspective Education is considered as the tool for cultural preservation, cultural transmission, acculturation and enculturation. Now in is considered as the continuation in the continuation and in this era of globalisation, educational ideas are much different than it was in the Vedic period. Modern education and social change in Kerala are the causes of decline in Vedic culture and oral tradition. The investigators tried to study the educational ideas behind the Vedic education especially of Sama Vedic education here. The method of teaching, practical application and the curriculum of study are explored here. The investigators felt that this study is quiet relevant in this era where the number of Vedic scholars is declining near to zero.

#### III. Reviews Of Related Literature

III.1. Griffith (1907) studied on the Vedic literature and explained that each Vedas have four parts like Samhitha, Brahmana, Aranyaka and Upanishads. Sama veda consist of melodies and chants for worshipping god during the fire sacrifices and the hymns of Rig Veda are re arranged for this purpose by providing musical content. The Samhita of Sama veda come under three branches viz. Jaiminiya, Kauthuma and Ranayaniya and Upanishad of Sama Veda includes Chandokya and Kena.

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III.2. Karittunen (1997) studied on the orality vs. Written text of Vedic literature with special reference to Sama veda laimineeva branch and found that the oral tradition existed in Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and some parts of Tamil Nadu before a century but at the time of the study there existed in three groups viz. Ayyars of Tamil Nadu, Ayyangars of Tamil Nadu and Namboothiris of Kerala. There were some slight differences in the delivering of Sama ganas among these groups.

III.3. UNESCO (2008) described on Tradition of Vedic chanting, while including it in the list of intangible heritage, as the Vedas embody one of the world's oldest surviving cultural traditions. The Sama veda features musical arrangements of hymns from Rig Veda and other sources and also offer insight into the history and the early development of several artistic, scientific and philosophical concepts.

III.4. Vasanthi( 2011) studied on the Sama veda chanting and found that the devotional singing is provided more importance than the text meaning. The music notations are fixed in Sama gana (that part of Sama veda where hymns converted in to music), the pronunciation changes in the notes are treated as sin. Sama veda is treated as notable among four Vedas according to Bhagavat gita because of this musical note.

The SamVedic education in Kerala is based on the Jaiminiya branch and was preserved by Namboothiris in

Kerala. The Kerala style of oral tradition has some unique characteristics in education like curriculum, method of teaching and practice. Here it is treated as a life style and lifelong education for doing the duty as preserve the Vedic text orally

#### IV. Objectives Of The Study

#### VI.1. Major objective

The investigators want to do a case study on the unique educational ideas in Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition.

VI.2. The other objectives are:
VI.2.1. To analyse the aim of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

VI.2.2. To analyse the curriculum of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition
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V. Methodology

In order to find out the educational ideas of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition, the investigators used the Case study method. The primary and secondary data were used for analysis. For collection of primary data, the investigators used the Interview and Observation method, for secondary data internet sources and document analysis are utilised.

The tools used are Interview schedule for Vedic scholars and Vedic teachers and Opinionniare for students

#### VI. Discussion And Findings

VI.1. The Aim of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

The main aim of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition is to preserve and transmit the oral tradition of Sama veda. The other aims are to develop cultural and personal values, cognitive abilities and musical aptitude among students. The other objective of this system is to prepare students for participating in fire sacrifices where Sama veda are used to chant as worship to the Vedic gods like Indra and

VI.2. Curriculum followed in Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition Chanting of the text of Sama has been classified as follows:

- A. Archika or Rik- Samhita This includes the part of Rig veda text chanted in musical accent. There are 112 sections called Oths, each Oth containing 10 to 20 hymns.
- Gramageya or Sama It is music based on the 59th rik of Archika
- Chandrasyama it is the part of Aranyaka which contains 25 Oths based on the 107th Rik.

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The latter two are considered to be the most sophisticated methods of chanting Archika in various musical accents. It will take 5 to 6 years for memorizing these three parts itself for a full time student.

Besides, there are two other ways of chanting which are more difficult and complicated. They are considered to be the highest level of Sama recitation. And they are:

- a. Uha This can be defined as the Vedavikrti of the chanting of Gramageya of Sama which contains 77 Oths.
- b. Ushari This is the Vikrti of Aranyaka or Chandrasyama, which is also called Rashasya Gana which includes 16 Oths

The Uha and Ushani are used for chanting while conducting the fire sacrifices like Yagas or Yajnas. After completing all these, the Upanishad parts are being taught. It is in prose formats while all the others explained above are in poem format, which includes 144 Parts which includes 30 sentences each. There are no Vedic scholars in Kerala who have taught the Upanishads and Ushani completely.

#### VI.3. Method of Teaching in Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

The teaching is not bookish but oral and face to face with Hasthamudras (gestures for identifying the voice and pitch variation). The student listens the uttering of teacher and follow him. For the exact recital, the teacher should hold the hand and head of the student and will move it to right, left, upwards and downwards in accordance with the Swara with which that particular word is uttered. So, a teacher can teach only two students at a time. The studied portions are repeated regularly and this method helps to memorise everything learnt. Kinaesthetic techniques are used when learning texts and there is of the deliberate head and hand movements are made to aid memorization of Vedic accents.

The students do imitate the teacher and study the correct pitch and intonation style. They memorize it by repetition. The prescribed sound control and time periods for and between every letter and every word had to be strictly adhered to.

#### VI.4. The importance of values in Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

The students must take oath for safeguarding the eternal values of Vedic era like Sathya and Rta. Sathya means truth and Rta means the law, unity or rightness underlying the universe. They must take bath twice a day and do some worship to god and sun. Thus they can attain some spiritual and cultural values.

VI.5. The teacher pupil relationship in Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition. The teacher has prominent role in Sama Vedic education like Vedic era. There is a divine relationship between teacher and taught. The SamVedic education starts right from the initiation ceremony called Upanayana in the age of 5-6 years and ends with the ending ceremony called Samaavathana. In between these ceremonies there are several rituals and worships are taken place with the supervision of the teacher. The teacher should take care of the student as his own child.

#### VI.6. The discipline followed under Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

The discipline is very strict in Vedic education; the student is treated as brahmachari. The self learning called Swaadhyaya ie. Memorising the learnt verses is very important. In every morning the student must do prostrate to sun by chanting the verses studied in the day before. The holidays are decided according to lunar called Thithis, The days between full moon and new moon and vice versa. The first day, eighth day, fourteenth day and fifteenth day (full moon or new moon day) are holidays. During those days there is no classes but the practicing of the taught lessons are compulsory.

#### VI.7. The problems faced by the system of Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition

The Sama Vedic education according to Kerala style of oral tradition survived after thousands of years but now is facing a problem of non acceptance by the society. The number of students enrolling for Sama Vedic education is reducing year after year. The parents are not interested in ancient education and very much interested in Modern education. The Sama Vedic oral tradition was preserved by 21 Namboothiri families in Kerala and they have done the transmission to their younger members. But now the number of members in each family is reducing and only 4 or 5 families are doing this nowadays. They are doing the preservation of oral tradition according to the guidelines of Maharshi Sandeepani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Parishat. There is only one institution which providing Sama Vedic education in Kerala ie. Brahmaswom madham Veda pathasala, Thrissur.

Before 1970 in Kerala feudal system existed and the Namboothiris were land owners. The rulers of the states like Travancore and Cochin were provided some financial assistance for preserving the Vedic culture. Thus the Namboothiris could spend time and money for preservation and transmission of Vedic culture. But at

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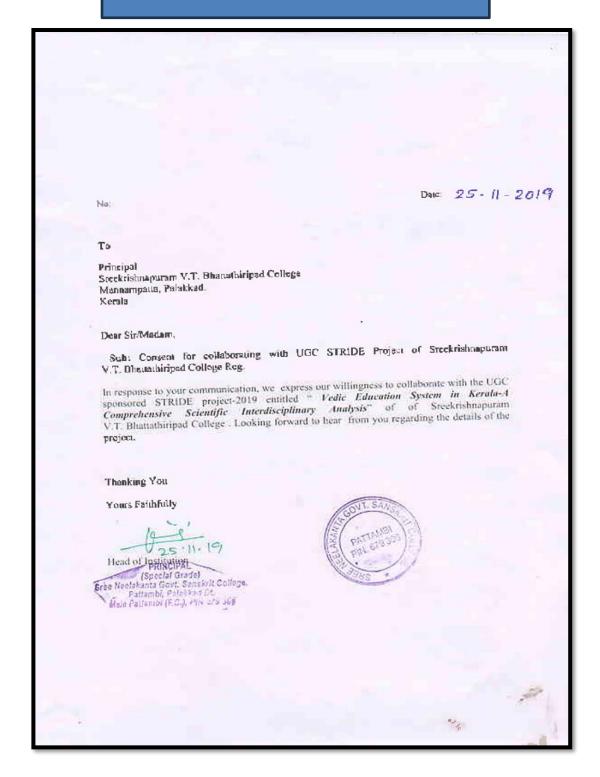
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