



HH PUJYA SWAMI CHIDANAND SARASWATI JI MAHARAJ

Chief Guest at Jamnalal Bajaj Awards 2025 Ceremony

Born: June 3

Pujya Swami Chidanand Saraswati Ji's main motto in life is "to serve God and humanity". He received the blessings of his Sadguru at the tender age of eight, and after a year of maun sadhana (silent meditation) in his young age, he practiced maun (silence) and meditation in the Himalayas. Pujya Swami Ji received education in Sanskrit and philosophy. He possesses an extraordinary ability to express his thoughts in multiple languages.

Unity, harmony, and an unwavering faith in following the divine path - are the foundational pillars of Pujya Swami Ji's education and knowledge. In this field, he has also led various conferences, inter-faith gatherings, and religious parliaments, some of which were held at the Parliament of World Religions, the Millennium World Peace Summit at the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, and the Parliament of All Religions, as well as he has represented specially on significant platforms of numerous religions. Swami Ji is also the pioneer of various peace walks organized around the world.

As a spiritual leader and as an inspiration, Pujya Swami Ji, the Supreme Head of Parmarth Niketan Ashram, Rishikesh, is the founder of the Ganga Action Family, and the co-founder of the Global Interfaith Wash Alliance. Parmarth Niketan is a prominent and renowned religious institution in India. Under his divine inspiration and leadership, Parmarth Niketan has become a sacred place known throughout the world for its spirituality, yogic practices, meditation, beauty, serenity, divine grace and environment. Swami Ji has transformed the humanitarian activities conducted by Parmarth Niketan into a multifaceted one. Now, the Ashram is not only a spiritual pilgrimage site, but also provides education, training, and health care to those in need.

Swami Chidanand Saraswati Ji is the founder and spiritual head of the first Hindu-Jain temple established in America. He is the source of inspiration for many temples located in America, Canada, Europe, Africa, and Australia.

Pujya Swami Ji believes that youth are the future of the country. His influence and blessings can be seen in the youths who meet him, which has changed the direction of their future. Young people from all over the world come to Parmarth Niketan and receive guidance. Being the founder of the Indian Culture Research Foundation, he has led the compilation and publishing of 11 volumes of the Hindu Dharma Kosh.

Pujya Swami Ji is also the founder of the Divine Shakti Foundation, which is dedicated to utilizing the energy, power, and abilities of women. It helps and supports the education of abandoned and orphaned boys and girls, widows, and poor women.

Towards his contribution to mother nature – the divine Water, Pujya Swami Ji founded the Ganga Action Family. It is a worldwide family of scientists, engineers, experts, volunteers and devotees, committed to making the waters of Mother Ganga clean and uninterrupted.

Awards and Honors: Pujya Swami Ji has received numerous national & international awards & recognitions, for his humanitarian work as a spiritual leader. Some of these are: * Mahatma Gandhi Humanitarian Award * Best Citizen of India Award * Mahatma Gandhi Lifetime Peace and Service Award * Bharat Kirtiman Alankaran Award by the World Book of Records, London, UK * Uttaranchal Ratna * First Excellence Award * Devarshi Award * Patron of the Russian Indian Heritage Research Foundation, Moscow * Patron of the Centre for Religious Experience in Oxford, UK

Thousands of devotees from America, Europe, Australia, and throughout India are drawn to sit in his presence and have darshan. For him, travel is a testament to the priceless gift of Satsang. He travels the world over to spread knowledge, inspiration, salvation, and the light of divine existence throughout the world.

As a true Sanyasi of eternal truth, these honors and awards have no impact on Swami Ji's personality. He has renounced everything and, as a holy child of God, Swami Ji lives a life of renunciation, remaining completely detached.

