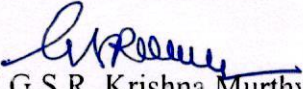


THIRD PARTY EVALUATION COMMITTEE REPORT OF MAHARSHI SANDIPANI RASHTRIYA VEDA VIDYA PRATISHTHAN, UJJAIN

The Ministry of HRD directed vide its letter No 13-4/2016-LCC dated 13 June 2017 to get the ongoing schemes/programmes of the MSRVVP evaluated by an external agency for their continuation and improvement in their execution for optimum result. Accordingly, as per the decision of the Governing Council meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble HRM Evaluation Committee was constituted with the following external members vide Pratishthan's Notification No 18-12/2017 (A&F)/MSRVVP dated 17.9.2018

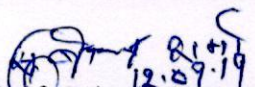
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The Pratishthan had provided documents and records on various schemes run by the Pratishthan to the committee at its first meeting held on 17th March, 2019. On its second meeting held on 11-12 September, 2019, the committee visited the campus of the Pratishthan and Rashtriya Adarsha Veda Vidyalaya set up in MSRVVP campus. The members of the committee visited the Veda Pathashala at Ujjain. The committee analysed the records and data provided to it by the Pratishthan and discussed with Secretary and other officials about the salient features, constraints of the schemes, drew conclusions from the available data. Accordingly, the committee submits the final report as enclosed with its recommendations and suggestions for further improvement in the implementation of the schemes of the Pratishthan for achieving the objectives and schemes for further necessary action.


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R E P O R T
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Third Party Evaluation Committee
September, 2019
(Year 2013-14 to 2018-19)



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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, with the objective of preservation, conservation and development of the oral tradition of Vedic studies throughout the country and abroad, established a Central Institution dedicated to the cause of the Vedas, namely, Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan, as an autonomous organization in January, 1987, and registered it as a society under the Societies' Registration Act, 1860. Considering the inseparability of Vedas from the language of Sanskrit, the newly created autonomous organization was placed under the Language Division of the Department of Higher Education and its activities were being financed through the plan scheme on "Promotion of Indian Languages".

The office of the Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan was shifted from New Delhi to Ujjain in May, 1993, and it was renamed as "Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan" (MSRVVP). The Government of Madhya Pradesh allocated a 23.6 acre plot of land in the outskirts of Ujjain on Chintaman Ganesh Road, Jawasiya, to MSRVVP for developing its own campus. Since December, 2012, the Pratishthan has been functioning from its independent campus in Jawasiya, Ujjain, wherein the administrative block, Pathashala & hostel buildings and residential quarters have already been constructed and put to use for carrying out its activities.

- 1.2 The Ministry of HRD directed vide its letter No 13-4/2016-LCC dated 13 June 2017 to get the ongoing schemes/programmes of the MSRVVP evaluated by an external agency for their continuation and improvement in their execution for optimum result. Accordingly, the Governing Council of MSRVVP under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble HRM constituted the Evaluation Committee with external members vide Pratishthan's Notification No 18-12/2017 (A&F)/MSRVVP dated 17.9.2018

- 1.3 The following were the Terms of Reference for the Evaluation Committee:

1. Whether the aims and objectives of the schemes of MSRVVP have been fulfilled?
2. If yes, whether the content or the method of implementation of schemes needs further improvement to enable the schemes to achieve the intended aims and objectives?
3. If not, whether the content of the schemes is responsible for this or the method of implementation or both?
4. Whether the existing mechanism to monitor the schemes is effective?
5. Suggestions for further improving the schemes in terms of the content, method of implementation and monitoring.

- 1.4 In the light of the above terms of reference, the Evaluation Committee examined the records of schemes/programmes/activities of the Pratishthan, collected data for the last five years both in respect of financial and physical performance, analyzed and examined their shortcomings, constraints and outcomes, interacted with the Secretary and other employees of the Pratishthan, carried out sample inspections of a few Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units for understanding the ground realities as well as to have some first-hand data on Vedic education through Pathashala & GSP scheme of the Pratishthan. Keeping in view the overall resources and manpower available to the Pratishthan and its performances in implementing the various schemes/programmes to fulfill the objectives of the Pratishthan, the Committee submits this report with its findings and recommendations.**

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE PRATISHTHAN

- 2.1 As enunciated in the Memorandum of Association (MoA) of the Pratishthan, the objectives of the Pratishthan are as under: -**

- To preserve, conserve and develop the oral tradition of Vedas, for which the Pratishthan will undertake various activities such as to provide financial assistance to traditional Vedic institutions and scholars/Vedapathis, provide fellowships/scholarships, undertake preparation of audio/video tapes, etc.
- To foster the tradition of intonation and recitation through learned scholars and Pandits.
- To encourage and ensure involvement of dedicated students in higher research in the field.
- To provide research facilities to those students having background of Vedic knowledge and to equip them with sufficient scientific and analytical outlook, so that modern scientific thoughts contained in the Vedas, particularly disciplines of mathematics, astronomy, meteorology, chemistry, hydraulics, etc. should be linked with modern science and technology so that a rapport between them and modern scholars could be established.
- To establish Vedic Pathashala and research centers, takeover, manage or supervise throughout the country to fulfill and maintain any objectives of the Pratishthan.
- To revive and administer such of the endowments and trusts as are dysfunctional, or aren't run properly.
- To pay special attention to those Shakhas which are extinct and for which human repositories can be identified, and to prepare a detailed list of Pandits related to these Shakhas.
- To ascertain the present status of affairs of oral traditions in respect of Vedas, particularly intonation and recitation peculiar to various region, institutions and mathematics in the country.

- To collect information that whether original state of textual material, printed manuscripts, texts, commentaries and interpretations, etc. of the various oral traditions of Vedic Shakhas are available or unavailable.
- To collect information about the present state of recordings, both audio and visual available in the country.
- To undertake research, in the interest of advancement of scientific knowledge, in Vedic texts and Vedic Literature from the earliest time of Vedic period up to the present day including areas of science, agriculture, technology, philosophy, yoga, education, poetics, grammar, linguistics and Vedic tradition and to provide for library, research equipment, research facilities, supporting staff and other technical manpower;
- To undertake all such activities as may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any one of the objectives of the Pratishthan, in accordance with the Memorandum of Association.

3. PERFORMANCE & STATUS OF THE SCHEMES/PROGRAMMES OF THE PRATSIHTHAN

3.1 In order to achieve the above stated objectives, the Pratishthan is implementing the following schemes /programmes:

- a) Financial assistance to Vedic institutions/Pathashalas.
- b) Financial assistance to Guru Shishya Parampara (GSP)Units/Gurukulas for Preservation of Oral Tradition of Vedic Recitation
- c) Organizing Vedic Seminars/ Workshops/Sammelans.
- d) Fellowship for Research.
- e) Financial assistance to Aged Veda Pathees.
- f) Financial Assistance to Nityagnihotris.
- g) Preparation of Vedic Directory.
- h) Publications of journals/books
- i) Maintaining Vedic Library.
- j) Correspondence Course for Vedic Education.
- k) Vedic Classes for All.
- l) Celebration of Veda Gyan Saptah.
- m) Establishment of Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya (RAVV).

3.2 Financial Assistance to Vedic institutions/Pathashalas.

The main objective of this scheme is to preserve, conserve and develop the oral tradition of Vedic studies by providing financial assistance to Vedic Pathashalas engaged in imparting Vedic education. Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided to various Veda Pathashalas located in different part of India. Financial assistance is provided by way of honorarium to Veda teachers and scholarships to Veda students. The students who seek admission in the Pathashalas should have passed Vth standard or have acquired proficiency equivalent to Vth std.. The

duration of the course of Vedic studies was for 6 years and from 2014-15 the duration of the course is 7 years. On successful completion of the course certificate of Veda Bhushan (after 5-years) and Veda Vibhushan (after 7-years) is issued to the students by the Pratishthan.

3.3 Up to March 2018 fresh Veda teachers were paid honorarium at the rate Rs.11000/- per month, teachers with 5 years' experience were paid Rs.15000/- and teachers with 10 years' experience were paid Rs. 17000/-. Teachers of Sanskrit were paid Rs. 14000/- per month and teachers of other modern subjects were paid Rs. 8000/- These rates have been revised with effect from April 2018 Presently, the rates are Rs. 22000/-, Rs. 30000/- and Rs. 34000/- respectively for Veda teachers and Rs. 28000/- and Rs. 16000/- for Sanskrit and other modern subject teachers respectively. Scholarships to students were being paid at the rate Rs.2000/- per month, out of which Rs. 1000/- used to be paid to the Pathashalas towards maintenance cost of the students and Rs. 1000/- used to be credited into a Deferred Stipend account in a Nationalized Bank, to be paid to the students on successful completion of the Vedic Course. From August 2017 Rs. 1500/- used to be paid to the Pathashalas and only Rs. 500/- used to be credited to Deferred Stipend account which have now been revised to Rs. 3000/- and Rs. 1000/- respectively with effect from April 2018

3.4 Fund for this scheme is allotted from the grants received from MHRD.

3.5 Details of expenditure on this count since 2013-14 are given in the following Tables:

Table-3.5.1 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year of 2013-14

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total Amount
Non-N.E.	70	435	3331	615.62	729.74	1345.36
N.E.	4	15	110	87.49		87.49
Total	74	450	3441	1432.85		1432.85

Table-3.5.2 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year 2014-15

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total Amount
Non-N.E.	67	407	3219	609.35	665.97	1275.32
N.E.	4	21	121	56.34		56.34
Total	71	428	3340	1331.66		1331.66

Table-3.5.3 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year 2015-16

Year	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total
2015-16	73	437	3182	668.50	619.52	1288.02
2015-16 N.E.	4	24	115	111.39		111.39
Total	77	461	3297	1399.41		1399.41

Table-3.5.4 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year 2016-17

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total
Non-N.E.	78	431	2932	615.83	645.15	1260.98
N.E.	5	28	142	120.55		120.55
Total	83	459	3074	1381.53		1381.53

Table-3.5.5 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year 2017-18

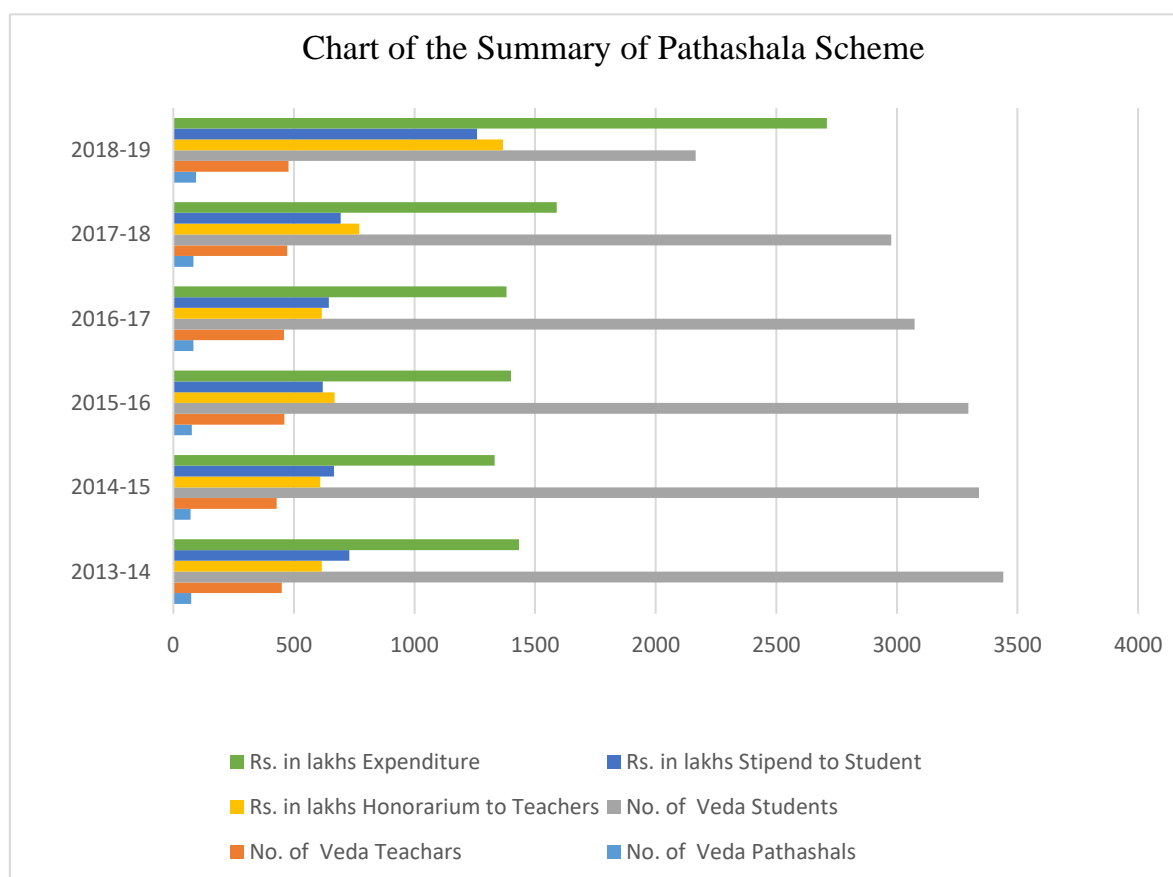
	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total
Non-N.E.	79	457	2850	770.49	693.90	1464.39
N.E.	5	15	126	125.00		125.00
Total	84	472	2976	1589.39		1589.39

Table-3.5.6 Expenditure on Pathashala scheme for the year 2018-19

Year	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Total
2018-19	89	452	2092	1366.43	1259.43	2625.86
2018-19 N.E.	5	25	74	83.98		83.98
Total	94	477	2166	2709.84		2709.84

**Table -3.5.7 Summary of Financial Assistance to Vedic Pathashalas
From 2013-14 to 2018-19**

Year	No. of			Rs. in lakhs		
	Veda Pathashalas	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Honorarium to Teachers	Stipend to Student	Expenditure
2013-14	74	450	3441	615.62	729.74	1432.85
2014-15	71	428	3340	609.35	665.97	1331.66
2015-16	77	461	3297	668.50	619.52	1399.41
2016-17	83	459	3074	615.83	645.15	1381.53
2017-18	84	472	2976	770.49	693.90	1589.39
2018-19	94	477	2166	1366.43	1259.43	2709.84



3.6 **Preservation of Oral Tradition -Guru Shishya Parampara (GSP) Scheme:**

This is again a scheme for preservation of oral tradition of Vedic Recitation. This scheme which had been in operation in Ministry of HRD, Government of India, since fifth Five-year plan period was transferred to the Pratishthan for implementation w.e.f. 1-4-1994. It is meant for providing special incentive for the preservation of the oral tradition of Vedic recitation in the traditional Gurukula system of Vedic education. Under this scheme one Swadhyayi-teacher is required to teach up to a maximum of ten students at his home or any suitable place in the locality. The Swadhyayi-teacher selected for the purpose is expected to possess mastery of at least one Shakha of one of the Vedas. He is required to give some special coaching in recitation to the students specially assigned to him for the purpose, so that they become proficient in reciting the complete Samhita with Swara of that particular Veda Shakha. The duration of coaching for each student was six years before 2013-14 but after 2013-14 the duration of coaching for each student is seven years. The student must have passed Vth standard or have acquired proficiency equivalent to Vth standard should have minimum age of 9yrs and maximum of 12 yrs of age at the time of admission. The minimum and maximum age limit has subsequently been revised to 8 yrs and 16 yrs respectively with effect from April 2018

3.7 Up to March 2018 the Swadhyayi Veda teachers/Gurus were paid honorarium at the rate Rs.10000/- per month. The rate of honorarium has been revised to Rs. 20000/- per month with effect from April 2018 Scholarships to students were being paid at the rate Rs.2000/- per month, out of which Rs. 1000/- used to be paid to the Gurus towards maintenance cost of the students and Rs. 1000/- used to be credited into a Deferred Stipend account in a Nationalized Bank, to be paid to the students on successful completion of the Vedic Course. From August 2017 Rs. 1500/- used to be paid to the Gurus and only Rs. 500/- used to be credited to Deferred Stipend account which have now been revised to Rs. 3000/- and Rs. 1000/- respectively with effect from April 2018

3.8 Fund for this scheme is allotted from the grant received from MHRD.

3.9 Details of expenditure on this count since 2013-14 are given in the following Tables:

Table-3.9.1 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2013-14

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E	276	276	2667	1300.37
N.E.	10	10	88	17.10
Total	286	286	2755	1317.47

Table-3.9.2 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2014-15

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E.	287	287	3024	800.48
N.E.	19	19	152	50.80
Total	306	306	3176	851.28

Table: 3.9.3 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2015-16

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E.	293	293	2530	845.00
N.E.	17	17	151	51.56
Total	310	310	2681	896.56

Table-3.9.4 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2016-17

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E.	258	258	2226	757.67
N.E.	21	21	148	53.80
Total	279	279	2374	811.47

Table-3.9.5 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2017-18

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E.	265	265	2357	881.22
N.E.	20	20	161	69.32
Total	285	285	2518	950.54

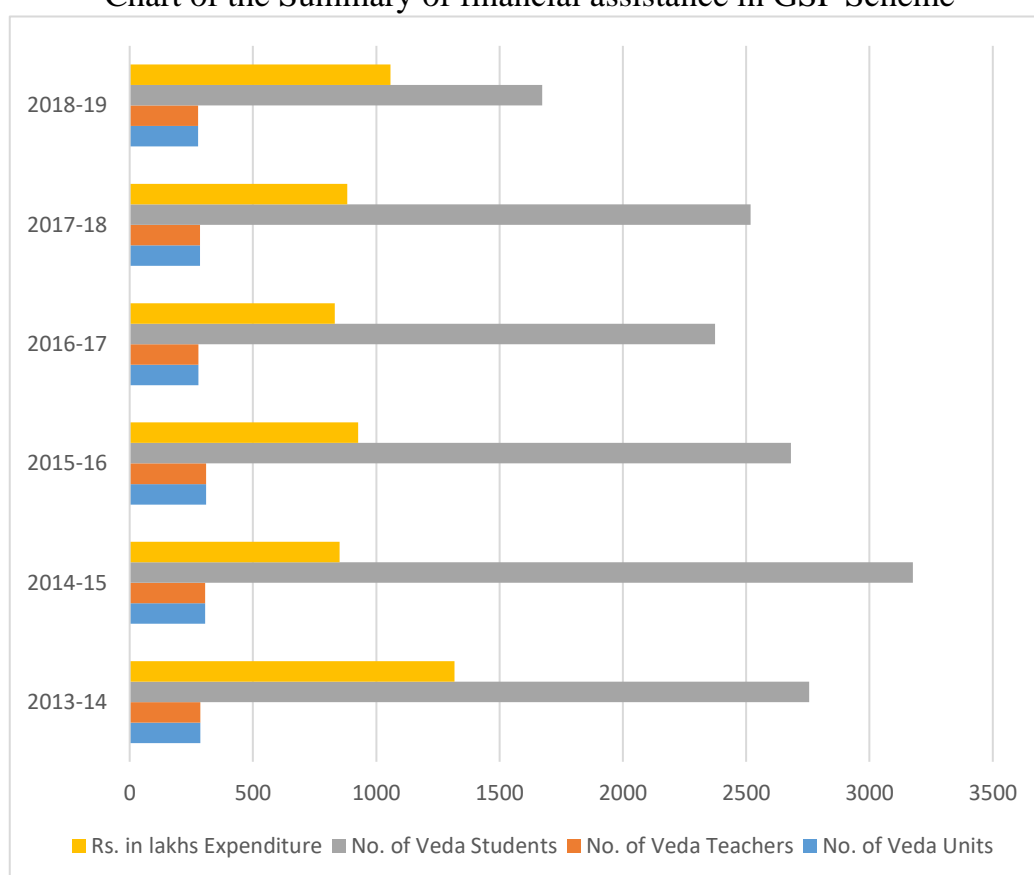
Table-3.9.6 Expenditure on GSP Scheme for the year 2018-19

	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Veda Units	Veda Teachers	Veda Students	Expenditure
Non-N.E.	261	261	1557	968.11
N.E.	17	17	116	89.36
Total	278	278	1673	1057.47

Table-3.9.7 Summary of Financial Assistance to GSP Units
From 2013-14 to 2018-19

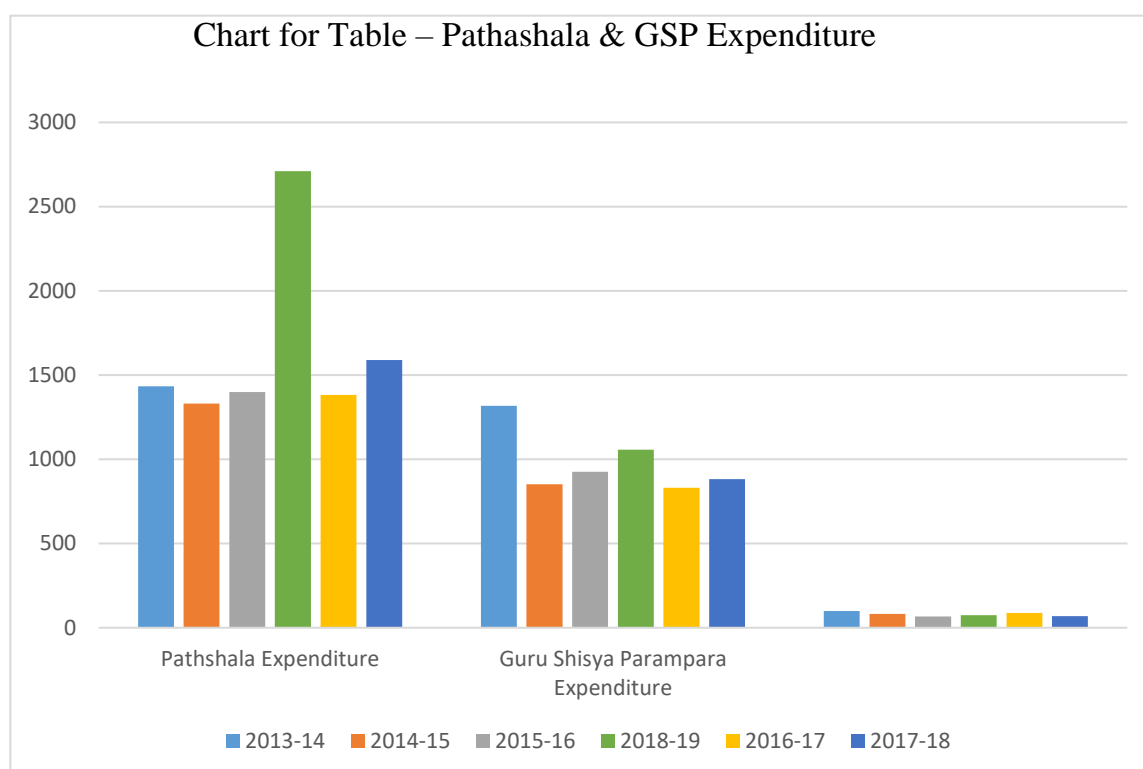
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2013-14	286	286	2755	1317.47
2014-15	306	306	3176	851.28
2015-16	310	310	2681	896.56
2016-17	279	279	2374	811.47
2017-18	285	285	2518	950.54
2018-19	278	278	1673	1057.47

Chart of the Summary of financial assistance in GSP Scheme



Vedic Pathashala Scheme & GSP Scheme
Expenditure from 2013-14 to 2018-19
Table –3.9.8Pathashala& GSP Expenditure

Year	Rs. in Lakhs				Distribution on Scheme in %
	Grant	Pathashala Expenditure	Guru Shisya Parampara Expenditure	Total	
2013-14	2779	1432.85	1317.47	2750.32	98.97
2014-15	2683	1331.66	851.28	2182.94	81.36
2015-16	3500	1399.41	926.05	2325.46	66.44
2016-17	2525	1381.53	831.35	2212.88	87.64
2017-18	3577	1589.39	882.18	2471.57	69.10
2018-19	5106	2709.84	1057.47	3767.31	73.78



4. Organization of Seminars / Sammelans / Workshops

Every year the Pratishthan organizes Seminars/Sammelans/Workshops for promotion of research in the priority areas. These are wholly or partially financed by the Prathishthan. These Seminars/Sammelans/Workshops are held for three days. The Seminars are organized by inviting research papers from the university professors / scholars in Sanskrit in the thrust areas to get an opportunity to share exchange and interact with their views, ideas opinions, and discuss in depth on a specific topic relating to Vedas, Vedangas, Vedic literature, etc. It also provides them an advance and updated knowledge in the present context. Their professional skills get updated which ultimately benefit their students. The best articles of seminars are published in the journal Vedavidya.

4.1 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2013-14)

During the year 2013-14 Pratishthan organized Vedic seminars in collaboration with various institutions the details of which are given below.

- a. Three-day All India Vedic Seminar at Ranchi Vishwavidyalaya, Ranchi, from 21st to 23rd November, 2013.
- b. All India Vedic Seminar for Delhi “Vedic Foundations of Indian Management” from 25th to 27th November, 2013.
- c. All India Seminar organized in Punjab University.
- d. A Two-Day National Seminar on “Scientific Elements in the Vedic and Allied Literature” at Guwahati University from 28th to 29th January, 2014.
- e. A Two-Day National Seminar on “Importance of the Vedic Study in the Present Turmoil of the Society” at Jorhat, Assam, from 10th to 11th February, 2014.
- f. A three-day National Seminar on “Vedic Interpretations: Trend and Techniques” at Vishwa Bharati Vishwavidyalaya from 13th to 15th February, 2014.
- g. Three-day All India Vedic Sammmelan at Jammu Vishwavidyalaya from 21st to 23rd February, 2014.
- h. National Seminar on “Arthashastra Upaveda & Varnijavidha” at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh from 27th February to 1st March, 2014.
- i. Three-day National Seminar on “Vedas-Sources of Science” at Guwahati, Assam, from 7th to 9th March, 2014.
- j. Three-day National Vedic Seminar on “Vedas and their Impacts on the Indian Culture” at Guwahati, Assam, from 13th to 15th March, 2014.

4.2 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2013-14)

The Pratishthan organized eight Regional and one All India Vedic Conferences during the year 2013-14. The details of the Conferences organized by the Pratishthan are appended below.

- a. A three-day Vedic Conference at Lucknow from 13th to 15th September, 2013.
- b. A three-day All India Vedic Sammelan at Valsad, Gujarat, from 15th to 17th November, 2013.
- c. A three-day Regional Vedic Conference at Gogamukh Dhomaji, Assam, from 20th to 22nd December, 2014.
- d. A two-day Regional Vedic Conference at Nemisharanya, Sitapur, Uttar Pradesh from 8th to 9th February, 2014.
- e. A three-day Regional Vedic Conference at Motihari, Purvi Champaran, Bihar, from 1st to 3rd March, 2014.
- f. A three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Bhardwaj Shanti Ashram, Golaghat, Assam, from 10th to 12th March, 2014.
- g. A three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Vijayawada 14th to 16th March, 2014.
- h. A three-day Vedic Sammelan at East Rani pool, East Sikkim, from 22nd to 24th March, 2014.
- i. National Vedic Conference at Tripura from 27th to 29th March, 2014.

4.3 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2014-15)

During the year 2014-15, Pratishthan had organized Vedic Seminars in collaboration with other institutions, the details of which are given below.

- a. A National Seminar on “Relevance of Vedas and Indian Culture in the Present Perspective” Organized in Shimla from 22nd to 24th May, 2014.
- b. A National Seminar on “Vedic Explanations – Past and Present” Organized in Pune, Maharashtra.
- c. A National Seminar on “Vedic Yajna Process” at Maligaon, Guwahati from 5th to 7th January, 2015.
- d. A National Seminar on “Vedokhila dharmamulam” at Silchar, Assam from 1st to 3rd February, 2015.
- e. A National Seminar on “Vedopangadharma shastram” at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, from 17th to 19th February, 2015.
- f. All India Vedic Seminar on “Relevance of Vedas in the Perspective of Global Knowledge” at Hardwar, Uttarakhand, from 13th to 15th March, 2015.

4.4 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2014-15)

The Pratishthan organized seven Regional and two All India Vedic Conferences during the year 2014-15. The details of the Conferences organized by the Pratishthan are appended below.

- a. “Samaveda Sammelan” at Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, from 2nd to 4th May, 2014.
- b. A three-day “All India Veda Sammelan” at Varanasi from 5th to 7th October, 2014.

- c. A three-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Pune from 31st October to 2nd November, 2014.
- d. A three-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Unna, Himachal Pradesh from 2nd to 4th November, 2014.
- e. A four-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Mysore, Karnataka from 30th November to 3rd December, 2014.
- f. A three-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Mahasamund, Karnataka from 5th to 7th December 2014.
- g. A three-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Jalunkabari, Guwahati, Assam from 29th to 31st January 2015.
- h. A three-day “Regional Vedic Sammelan” at Bongaigoan, Assam, from 1st to 3rd February, 2015.
- i. Three-day “All India Vedic Sammelan” at Namchi, South Sikkim from 20th to 22nd March, 2015.

4.5 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2015-16)

During the year 2015-16 Pratishthan had organized six Vedic Seminars in collaboration with other institutions, the details of which are given below.

- a. Three-day All India Vedic Seminar on “Determination of Vedas Era – A Revaluation” at Delhi University from 26th to 28th September, 2015.
- b. Three-Day All India Vedic Seminar at Varanasi from 30th October to 1st November, 2015.
- c. Three-day All India Vedic Seminar on “Veda and Aagam – Techniques and Transmission Flow” at French Institute, Pondicherry from 14th to 16th December, 2015.
- d. Three-day Vedic Seminar on “Relevance of Vedic Environmental Ethics in the conservation of Contemporary Environment” at Srinagar, Garhwal from 4th to 6th March, 2016.
- e. Three-day All India Vedic Seminar on “Upaveda, Ayurveda and Therapeutics” at Varanasi from 7th to 9th March, 2016.
- f. Three-day All India Vedic Seminar on “Relevance of Vedic Devotion” at Guwahati, Assam, from 14th to 16th February, 2016.

4.6 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2015-16)

During the year 2015-16 Pratishthan organized one All India Vedic Sammelan and six Regional Vedic Sammelans. The details of Sammelans organized are given below.

- a. Three-day All India Vedic Sammelan at Puri, Odisha, from 2nd to 4th March, 2016.
- b. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Kozhikode, Kerala from 28th to 30th December, 2015.

- c. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Ujjain from 23rd to 25th January, 2016.
- d. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Nai Jhunsi, Allahabad from 19th to 21st March, 2016.
- e. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Sang dong, East Sikkim from 11th to 13th March, 2016.
- f. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Manipur from 21st to 23rd March, 2016.
- g. Three-day Regional Vedic Sammelan at Manipur from 28th 30th March, 2016.

4.7 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2016-17)

During the year 2016-17, Pratishthan had organized Eight Vedic Seminars in collaboration with other institutions, the details of which are given below.

- a. Three-day National Seminar on “Ved and Preservation of Vedic Literature” at Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidhya Peetha from 18th to 20th November, 2016.
- b. National Seminar in Sanskrit Department Jay Narayan Vyas University, Jodhpur.
- c. Three-day National Seminar at Akhil Bhartiya Sahitya Parishad, Assam from 28th to 30th January, 2017.
- d. Three-day National Seminar on “VED: PRACHYAGYAN PRANALIKA SROT” at Nalbari, Assam, from 9th to 11th February, 2017.
- e. Three-day National Seminar at Punyshloka Ahilya Sanskrit Samsthan, Indore, Madhya Pradesh, from 17th to 19th February, 2017.
- f. Three-day National Seminar at Shri Pattabhram Shastri Research Centre, Varanasi from 24th to 26th February, 2017.
- g. Three-day National Seminar at Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi, from 24th to 26th March, 2017.

4.8 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2016-17)

During the year 2016-17, Pratishthan organized one All India Vedic Sammelan and five Regional Vedic Sammelans. The details of Sammelans organized are given below.

- a. Three-day All India Vedic Conference organized by Ved Maharshi K. Vinayak Bhatt and Guru Ghaisas birth centenary committee, Pune from 23rd to 25th December, 2016.
- b. Three-day “Regional Vedic Conference” at Shri Brahma Ved Vidyalaya, Assi, Varanasi, from 19th to 21st November, 2016.
- c. Three-day “Regional Vedic Conference” at Shri Narshingh dev Adarsh Gyan Pravah Kendra, Jharkhand, from 24th to 26th December, 2016.
- d. Three-day “Regional Vedic Conference” at Maharshi Bharadwaj Ved Vedang Vidyalaya, Allahabad, from 3rd to 5th February, 2017.

- e. Three-day “Regional Vedic Conference” at Shri Shri Ramanand Dev Goswani Sanskrit Ved Pathshala, Jorhat, Assam, from 26th to 28th February, 2016.
- f. Three-day “Regional Vedic Conference” at Shri Guru Shankaracharya Ved Vidyalaya Samiti, Sonitpur, Assam, from 17th to 19th March, 2017.

4.9 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2017-18)

During the year 2017-18, the Pratishthan organized nine All India Vedic Seminars which are as follows:

- a. All India Vedic Seminar on “Contribution of Vedic Sanskriti and Jyotish Shastra in the Growth of the Nation” at Jaipur, Rajasthan from 4th to 7th May, 2017.
- b. All India Vedic Seminar in Sathasambhitaat Thyagarajapuram, Mylapore, Chennai, from 18th to 20th August, 2017.
- c. All India Vedic Seminar on “Karma kand Evam Sankar Vigyan” at Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veravalam, from 11th to 13th September, 2017.
- d. All India Vedic Seminar on “Vedic Wangmayasya VividhAyam” at Sidho-Kanho-Virsa Vishwavidyalaya, Purulia, West Bengal, from 26th to 27th October, 2017.
- e. All India Vedic Seminar in Maharshi Yagyawalka Sanskrit Vidya Pratishthan, Yogya Bhumi, Gangakhed, Parbhani, Maharashtra, from 19th to 21st December, 2017.
- f. All India Vedic Seminar in Nalbari College, Nalbari, Assam, from 16th to 18th December, 2017.
- g. All India Vedic Seminar at Darshanam, Nichalpur, Kamrup, Assam, from 4th to 6th January, 2018.
- h. All India Vedic Seminar at Vigyan Bharti, Deccan College (Deemed University), Pune, Maharashtra, from 10th to 13th January, 2018.
- i. All India Vedic Seminar at Pattabhiram shastri Vedmimansa Research Centre, Varanasi, from 13th to 15th February, 2018.

4.10 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2017-18)

During the year 2017-18, the Pratishthan organized three All India Vedic Sammelans and seven Regional Vedic Sammelans. The details of Sammelans organized are given below:

- a. All India Vedic Conference at Jagadguru Shankaracharya Swami Swarupanand Saraswati NyayVedant Mahavidyalaya and Research Centre, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, from 2nd to 4th June, 2017.
- b. All India Vedic Conference at Shri Manik Prabhu Sansthan, Bidar, Karnataka, from 14th to 16th November, 2017.
- c. All India Vedic Conference at Shri Sant Gyaneshwar Ved Vidya Pratishthan, Aurangabad, Maharashtra, from 19th to 21st January, 2018.

- d. Regional Vedic Conference at Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, from 28th to 30th April, 2017.
- e. Regional Vedic Conference at Shri Dharmasangh Shiksha Mandal, Durgakund, Varanasi, from 20th to 22nd July, 2017.
- f. Regional Vedic Conference held in Shri Dwarkadhish Sanskrit Academy, Dwarka, Gujarat, from 27th to 29th August, 2017.
- g. Regional Vedic Conference in Rang Ramanuj Ved Vidyalay, Anandpur Sahib, Ropar, Punjab, from 3rd to 5th November, 2017.
- h. Regional Vedic Conference in GopalJiu Ved Pathashala, Dharpur, Cuttack, Odisha, from 23rd to 25th December, 2017.
- i. Regional Vedic Conference at Punyashloka Ahilya Sanskrit Sansthan, Indore, Madhya Pradesh, from 24th to 26th December, 2017.
- j. Regional Vedic Conference at Shri Ved BhartiPeeth Ved Vidyalayam, Mudal, Adilabad, Telangana, from 16th to 18th February, 2018.
- k. Regional Vedic Conference at Shri Venkateshwar Vedic University, Alipur, Tirupati, from 2nd to 4th March, 2018.
- l. Ved Conference in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh, from 27th to 29th March, 2018.

4.11 WORKSHOP: (2017-18)

Veda and Sanskrit hold a very important position in the programme of Pratishthan. The workshops are organized by the Pratishthan for spread of study and wisdom of Sanskrit and of Ved throughout the country. During the year 2017-18 three workshops were organized by the Pratishthan. These are as under:

- a. “Ved and Sanskrit” workshop from 24th to 29th December, 2017.
- b. “Orientation of Sanskrit Teachers” workshop from 18th to 30th January, 2018.
- c. “All India Ved-Vedang” workshop from 21st to 30th March, 2018.

4.12 VEDIC SEMINARS: (2018-19)

During the year under report 2018-19, the Pratishthan in collaboration with various institutions have organized seven All India Vedic Seminars which are as follows:

- a. All India Vedic Seminar at Kavi kulguru Kalidas Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Ramtek, Maharashtra, from 28th to 29th September, 2018.
- b. All India Vedic Seminar on “Arogya Oshodhi” at Nazarathpet, Chennai, from 24th to 28th October, 2018.
- c. All India Vedic Seminar at, Punjab Vishwavidyalaya, Chandigarh, from 15th to 16th November, 2018.
- d. All India Vedic Seminar at Gurukul Kangdi Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar, from 25th to 27th February, 2019.
- e. All India Vedic Seminar at Karnataka from 1st to 3rd March, 2019.
- f. All India Vedic Seminar at Varanasi from 4th to 6th March, 2019.

4.13 VEDIC SAMMELANS: (2018-19)

During the year 2018-19, the Pratishthan organized two All India Vedic Sammelans and six Regional Vedic Sammelans. The details of Sammelans organized are given below:

- a. A three-day All India Vedic Conference at Guwahati, Assam, from 17th to 19th August, 2018.
- b. A three-day All India Vedic Conference at Varanasi from 15th to 17th December, 2018.
- c. Regional Vedic Conference at Acharya Abhaydev Ved Gurukulam, Charthawal, from 26th to 28th October, 2018.
- d. Regional Vedic Conference at Veda Vidyalaya Kendujhar, Sithmath, Odisha, from 29th November to 1st December, 2018.
- e. Regional Vedic Conference at Shri Manmathva Sithant Prabodhini Sanskrit Snatkottar Kendram, Udupi, from 4th to 6th December, 2018.
- f. Regional Vedic Conference at Swami Govind dev Giri Ved Sanskrit Pathashala, Vathodiya, Vadodara, from 22nd to 24th December, 2018.
- g. Regional Vedic Conference at Jagatguru Shri Shankaracharya Swamigal Shrimath, Kanchipuram, from 31st December to 2nd January, 2019.
- h. Regional Vedic Conference at All India Dayanand Sevashram Sangh Delhi, Shakha Thandala from 11th to 13th January, 2019.

4.14 WORKSHOP: (2018-19)

Veda and Sanskrit hold a very important position in the programme of Pratishthan. The workshops are organized by the Pratishthan for spread of study and wisdom of Sanskrit and Ved throughout the country. During the year 2018-19 three workshops were organized by the Pratishthan.

**Summary of Expenses for
Organizing Seminars / Sammelans / Workshops
From 2013-14 to 2018-19**

Table –4.13.1 Expenditure on Seminars, Sammelans and Workshops

Year	No. of			Rs. in lakhs
	Seminars	Sammelen	Workshop	Exp.
2013-14	10	9	Nil	44.51
2014-15	6	9	Nil	54.74
2015-16	6	7	Nil	31.09
2016-17	7	6	Nil	34.71
2017-18	9	12	3	110.25
2018-19	6	8	2	94.23

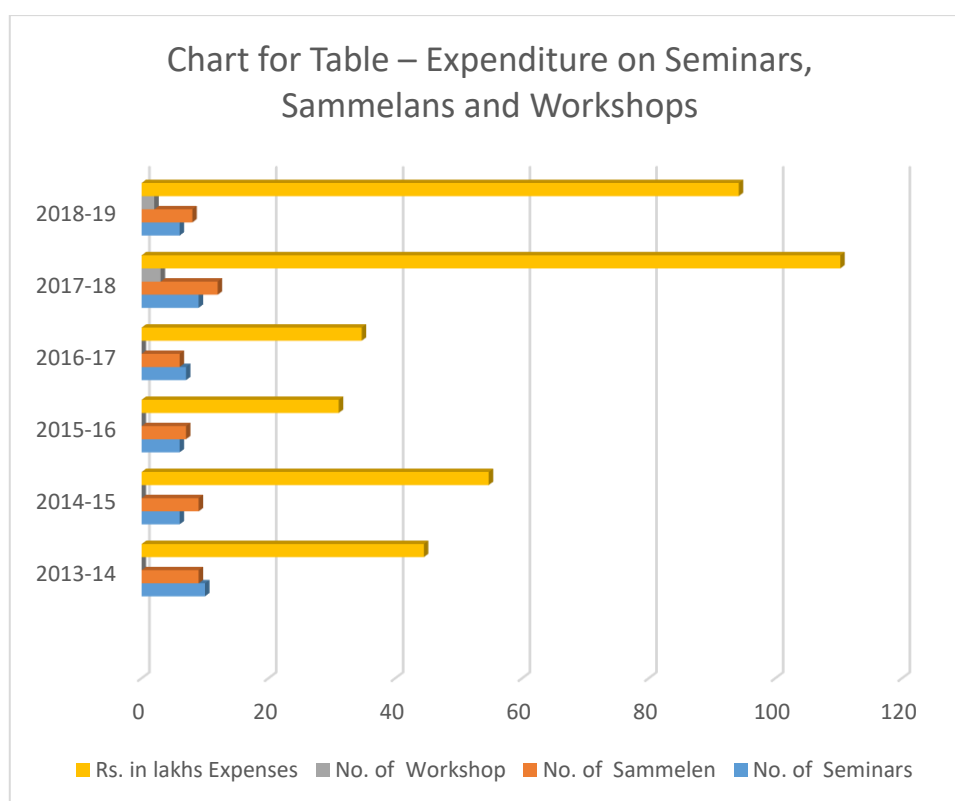


Table showing state-wise & year-wise details of Seminars conducted in last Six Years
From 2013-14 to 2018-19

Year	Uttar Pradesh	Maharashtra	Madhya Pradesh	Karnataka	Uttarakhand	Delhi	Gujarat	Jammu and Kashmir	Kerala	Orissa	Punjab	Tamil Nadu	Himachal Pradesh	Uttarakhand	Rajasthan	West Bengal	Andhra Pradesh	Bihar	Telangana	Pondicherry	Total - A	Assam	Sikkim	Manipur	Trinamool	Total - B	G Total - A+B
	Non - NER																					NER					
2013-14	1				1		1			1			1		1						6	4				4	10
2014-15	1	1			1							1									4	2				2	6
2015-16	2				1	1														1	5	1				1	6
2016-17	2		1		1									1							5	2				2	7
2017-18	1	2						1			1			1	1						7	2				2	9
2018-19	1	1		1	1						1	1									6						6
Total	8	4	1	1	3	3		1	1		2	2	1	1	2	2				1	33	11				11	44

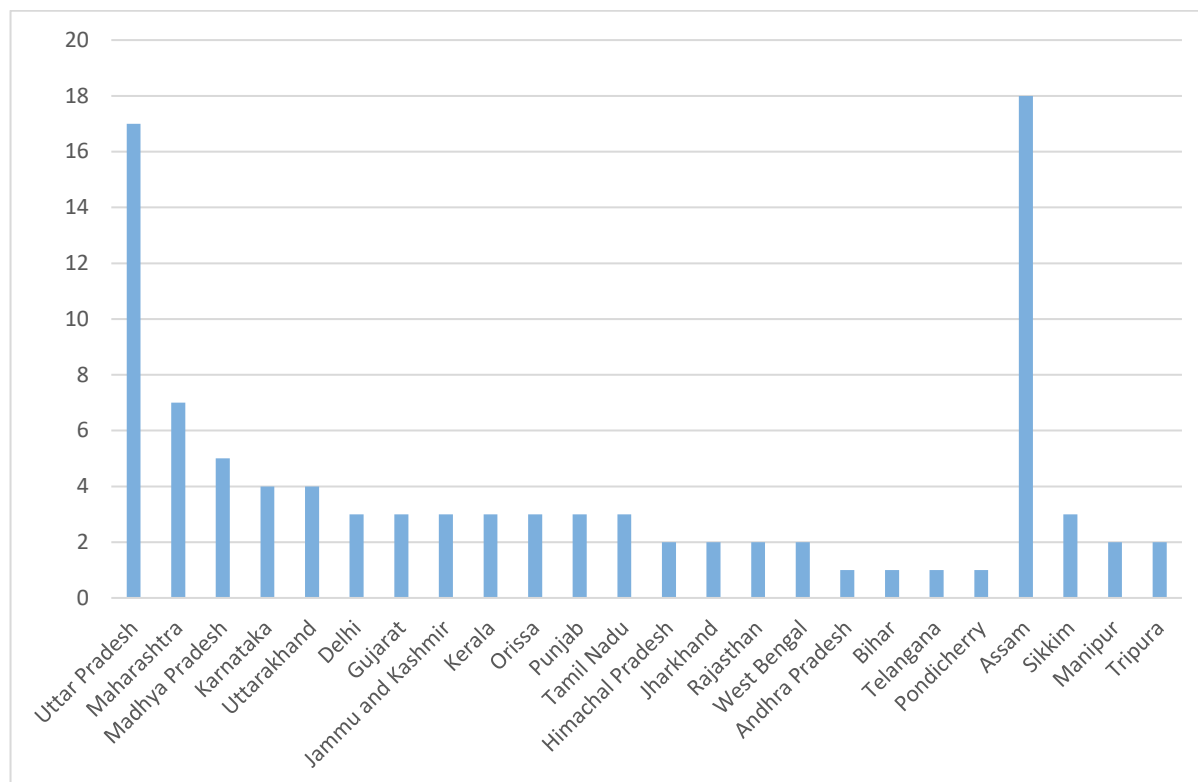
Table showing state-wise & year-wise details of Sammelans conducted in last Six Years
From 2013-14 to 2018-19

Year	Uttar Pradesh	Maharashtra	Madhya Pradesh	Karnataka	Uttarakhand	Delhi	Gujarat	Jammu and Kashmir	Kerala	Orissa	Punjab	Tamil Nadu	Himachal Pradesh	Uttarakhand	Rajasthan	West Bengal	Andhra Pradesh	Bihar	Telangana	Pondicherry	Total - A	Assam	Sikkim	Manipur	Trinura	Total - B	G Total - A+B
	Non - NER																				NER						
2013-14	2					1											1	1			5	2	1		1	4	9
2014-15	1	1		2			1					1									6	2	1			3	9
2015-16			1		1				1	1											4		1	2		3	7
2016-17	2	1											1								4	2				2	6
2017-18	2	1	2			1	1	1	1	1									1		11				1	1	12
2018-19	2		1	1		1			1		1										7	1				1	8
Total	9	3	4	3	1	3	2	2	3	1	1	1	1				1	1	1		37	7	3	2	2	14	51

Table showing state-wise & year-wise details of Seminars & Sammelans conducted in last Six Years
From 2013-14 to 2018-19

Year	Type	Uttar Pradesh	Maharashtra	Madhya Pradesh	Karnataka	Uttarakhand	Delhi	Gujarat	Jammu and Kashmir	Kerala	Orissa	Punjab	Tamil Nadu	Himachal Pradesh	Uttarakhand	Rajasthan	West Bengal	Andhra Pradesh	Bihar	Telangana	Goa	Total - A	Assam	Sikkim	Manipur	Trinamooli	Total - B	G Total - A+B
		Non - NER																					NER					
2013-14	Seminar	1				1		1				1		1		1						6	4				4	10
2013-14	Sammelans	2					1										1	1				5	2	1		1	4	9
2014-15	Seminar	1	1			1								1								4	2				2	6
2014-15	Sammelans	1	1		2			1						1								6	2	1			3	9
2015-16	Seminar	2				1	1														1	5	1				1	6
2015-16	Sammelans			1		1				1	1											4		1	2		3	7
2016-17	Seminar	2		1			1									1						5	2				2	7
2016-17	Sammelans	2	1											1								4	2				2	6
2017-18	Seminar	1	2						1				1			1	1					7	2				2	9
2017-18	Sammelans	2	1	2				1	1	1	1	1								1		11				1	1	12
2018-19	Seminar	1	1		1	1						1	1									6						6
2018-19	Sammelans	2		1	1		1			1		1										7	1				1	8
Total		17	7	5	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	70	18	3	2	2	25	95

Chart showing state-wise & year-wise details of Seminars, Sammelans and workshops conducted in last Six Years from 2013-14 to 2018-19



5. Fellowship for Research.

The main objective of this programme is to promote research on various aspects of Vedas and Vedic literature by providing opportunity to scholars, especially young research scholars to undertake research work on full time basis.

However, due to absence of any sanctioned post and acute shortage of manpower in the Pratishthan, only some elementary work on research has been carried out.

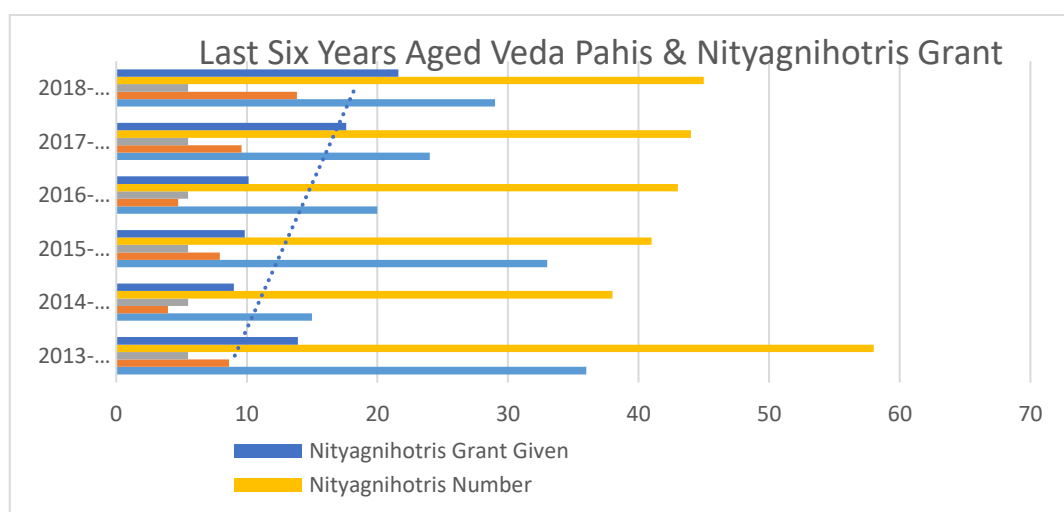
6. Financial assistance to Aged Veda Pathees & Nityagnihotris.

6.1 Under the scheme of financial assistance to aged Veda Pathees and Nityagnihotris, grant of Rs. 5,50,000 to the Vedapathi Nidhi Trust, Chennai, has been released as Pratishthan's contribution during the years from 2013-14 to 2016-17 for providing financial assistance at the rate of Rs. 2000/-to the aged/handicapped Veda Pathees and Nityagnihotris.

6.2 During the years 2017-18& 2018-19, grant of Rs. 5,50,000 each has been released to the Vedapathi Nidhi Trust, Chennai as Pratishthan's contribution under the scheme for providing financial assistance at the rate of Rs. 4000/-to the aged/handicapped Veda Pathees and Nityagnihotris.

Table -6.1: Financial assistance to Aged Veda Pathees & Nityagnihotris.

Year	Aged Veda Pathees			Nityagnihotris	
	Number	Grant Given	Grant Given to Veda Pathi Nidhi Trust, Chennai	Number	Grant Given
2013-14	36	8.64	5.50	58	13.92
2014-15	15	3.96	5.50	38	9.00
2015-16	33	7.92	5.50	41	9.84
2016-17	20	4.74	5.50	43	10.14
2017-18	24	9.60	5.50	44	17.60
2018-19	29	13.84	5.50	45	21.60



7. Preparation of Vedic Directory.

- 7.1 Vedic Directory is an intellectual property of the Pratishthan. The recordings in CD/DVD of the Vedic recitation of various Vedic Shakhas are essential activities of the Pratishthan for the preservation of the oral tradition. The tapes available with the Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidapeeth at Tirupati have been duplicated, the details of Audio, Video tapes in respect of Vedic recitation of different Shakhas and in different styles are collected by the Pratishthan from various sources.
- 7.2 Recently in the year 2018-19, Pratishthan has taken up a huge project of preservation of all the available Shakhas of all the Vedas by recording their recitation and intonation by experts as prevalent in various regions of the country. Recordings have been completed. Editing of recordings in CD/DVD form is in progress.
- 7.3 Fund for this project is allotted from the internal resources of the Pratishthan.

8. Publications.

- 8.1 Publication is an important programme of the Pratishthan to fulfill its objectives. Under this programme out-of-print and rare texts relating to Vedic literature are reprinted and published. Printing of critical editions and translation into various languages of certain texts, monographs on important topics and report of research works are also undertaken. In addition, research papers presented in the seminars, workshops and proceedings there-of are also taken up for publications. The Pratishthan also publishes research journal called “Veda Vidya” which contains articles in English, Hindi and Sanskrit.
- 8.2 Publication of text books of various subjects as per the syllabus of Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan for the all the classes are also undertaken.
- 8.3 Fund for this programme is allotted from the internal resources of the Pratishthan.

9. Library

- 9.1 The Pratishthan has its own well-maintained library at Ujjain, and at present it has got about 5000 books on its shelves on Vedic literature and allied subjects. The collection is in the process of being computerized.
- 9.2 After opening of Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya in the campus, a lot of books are being added to the library. During the year 2018-19, 2863 no. of books have been purchased and added to the Library.
- 9.3 Fund for this programme is allotted from the grants received from the MHRD.

10. Correspondence Course for Vedic Education.

- 10.1 The Pratishthan has a programme of running a two-year course “Ghar Baithe Vedon Ki Shiksha”. The aim of the course is to propagate Vedic knowledge even without going through formal classroom teaching. The course includes 4 Vedas, 6 Vedangas, Brahmin Granthas, Aranyak, Upanishad and the role and importance of Indian culture and philosophy. This correspondence course is bilingual (English and Hindi). Certificate of “Ved Nipun” is awarded on successful completion of the course.
- 10.2 Fund for this programme is allotted from the internal resources of the Pratishthan.

11. Vedic Classes for All

- 11.1 The Pratishthan has a programme of conducting Vedic classes to disseminate Vedic knowledge and popularizing Vedic studies, even for those not possessing the required academic qualification. It is meant for general public who are ready and willing to acquire Vedic knowledge. Voluntary organizations/institutions having basic infrastructure are selected for conducting the classes. In all 100 lectures on specific topics of Veda are delivered under the scheme. The classes are held in the week-ends i.e. on Saturdays and Sundays. The course structure including the topics of lectures has been prepared by the Pratishthan.
- 11.2 Financial assistance is provided to the voluntary organizations/institutions for conducting these classes.
- 11.3 Pratishthan has been conducting on its own one such programme in its city accommodation in Bharatpuri, Ujjain, during the year 2019-20.
- 11.4 Fund for this programme is allotted from the internal resources of the Pratishthan.

12. VedGyanSaptah

- 12.1 The Pratishthan has started the programme of celebration of “Veda Gyan Saptah” in various parts of the country, in order to promote Vedic knowledge. The programme aims at creating awareness on Vedas, Vedic knowledge and Indian culture in the country. The Pratishthan gives financial assistance for organizing these Veda GyanSaptahs.
- 12.2 During the year 2013-14, the Pratishthan organized Veda Gyan Saptahs from:
1. ShriSwaminarayan Vedic Rishikul, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand.
 2. ShriJayendraSaraswati Veda Pathshala, Chitrakut, Uttar Pradesh.
 3. Swami RamanandaSaraswati, AaryaVidyaSabhaSalakhiya, Raigarh, Chhattisgarh.
 4. ShastrarthaMahavidyalaya, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.

- 12.3 During the year 2014-15, the Pratishthan organized Veda GyanSaptahs from GajendraChatushpathiKolkata from 15th to 21st Aug, 2015.
- 12.4 During the year 2015-16, the Pratishthan organized Veda Gyan Saptahs from PunyashlokaAhilya Sanskrit Sansthan, Indore from 15th to 21 Feb, 2015.
- 12.5 During the year 2017-18, the Pratishthan organized Veda GyanSaptahs from:
1. Amitaranjan ShankaribalaVed Vidya Mandir, Hooghly, from 30th Sep to 6th Oct, 2017.
 2. Shriji Takniki Evam Vanijya Prashikshan Sansthan, from 29th Oct to 4th Nov, 2017
 3. Smriti Sansthan Ved Vidyalaya, Bargadi, Lucknow from 1st to 7th Dec, 2017.
- 12.6 During the year 2018-19, the Pratishthan organized Veda Gyan Saptahs from:
1. Samajik Sangathan Sewa, Odisha, from 3rd to 9th Sep, 2018.
 2. Shri Jagannath Sanskrit University, Puri, from 15th to 21st Sep, 2018.
 3. Amitaranjan Shankaribala Vedvidya Mandir, Hooghly, from 1st to 7th Oct, 2018.
 4. Shri Gopaljio Ved Pathashala Gram Dharpur, Odisha, from 16th to 22nd Dec, 2018.

13. Vedic Awards

- 13.1 Pratishthan has a scheme for conferring Awards to eminent Vedic scholars who have made significant contribution in the field of Veda – be it in Vedic education or its preservation or research or commentaries on Veda. Till the year 2016, the scheme had only one award, namely, Sandipani Puraskar, carrying cash Prize of Rs. one lakh and a citation. So far this Award has been conferred only once in the year 2012. Conferment of Awards for subsequent four years is due.
- 13.2 From the year 2017, MHRD /MSRVVP has enhanced the number of Awards to sixteen, out of which eleven are in senior category, carrying cash prize of Rs. 5.00 lakh and a citation each and five are in junior category carrying cash prize of Rs. 1.00 lakh and citation each.
- 13.3 These Awards for two years- 2017 & 2018 – are also due.

14. Analysis of Financial Data

The analysis of financial data of Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Vedavidya Pratisthan is based on information collected from annual reports, budgets and other records of the Prathisthan for the years 2013-14 to 2018-19.

Table : 13.1 Details of Income during 2013-14 to 2018-19

S. No.	Items of Income	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%
1	Grants /subsidies	277935000	90.81	268343000	89.47	350000000	90.21	252579000	83.39	357727000	91.04	510650000	89.53
2	Fees / subscriptions	75770	0.02	27630	0.01	90250	0.02	13000	0.00	377250	0.10	286430	0.05
3	Income from Investment	5534600	1.81	5543600	1.85	4815497	1.24	2772301	0.92	4929829	1.25	10062580	1.76
4	Interest earned	21525201	7.03	25818507	8.61	33006468	8.51	47315311	15.62	29820678	7.59	43381532	7.61
5	Other Income	997802	0.33	175921	0.06	62045	0.02	191950	0.06	73550	0.02	6002253	1.05
Total		306068373	100.00	299908658	100.00	387974260	100.00	302871562	100.00	392928307	100.00	570382795	100.00

Table: Details of Expenditure during 2013-14 TO 2018-19

S. No.	Items of Expenditure	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%	Amt	%
1	Establishment expenses	5469049	1.80	6309360	2.45	3507706	1.29	299798	0.12	6938562	2.12	4987914	1.10
2	Other Administrative expenses	6285779	2.07	6964760	2.71	6564068	2.42	6873062	2.76	10550283	3.22	13813939	3.04
3	Expenses on seminars, workshops and sammelan	4451138	1.47	5474266	2.13	3109257	1.15	3471418	1.39	11025310	3.37	9423357	2.08
4	Publications	NA		NA		NA		NA		245597	0.08	16500	0.00
5	Financial Assistance to aged vedapandit and Nityagnihotry	2758000	0.91	1822000	0.71	1770000	0.65	2564000	1.03	3248000	0.99	3528000	0.78
6	Expense on grants, subsidies	280321532	92.27	232497160	90.37	252546551	93.08	232826617	93.36	276342398	84.39	411100978	90.54
7	Depreciation	4536033	1.49	4193798	1.63	3825124	1.41	3342461	1.34	19103357	5.83	6455472	1.42
8	Research Fellow	NA		HA		NA		NA		NA		230001	0.05
9	Digital Recording	NA		HA		NA		NA		NA		256619	0.06
10	Rashtriya Adarsh Ved Vidyalaya	NA		HA		NA		NA		NA		4227771	0.93
Total		303821531	100.00	257261344	100.00	271322706	100.00	249377356	100.00	327453507	100.00	454040551	100.00

Table: 13.2 Expenditure on different methods of Teaching in the Prathisthan during 2013-14 to 2018-19.

Year	Guru Shishya Parampara Method Amt in Rs.					Pathashala Method Amt in Rs.				
	Number of		Teacher Student ratio	Per student expenditure in Rs.	Per teacher expenditure in Rs.	Number of		Teacher Student ratio	Per student expenditure in Rs.	Per teacher expenditure in Rs.
	Teacher	Student				Teacher	Student			
2013-14	286	2755	1:10	47821	460654	450	3441	1:8	21207	136804
2014-15	306	3176	1:10	26804	278196	428	3340	1:8	19939	142371
2015-16	310	2681	1:9	34541	298726	461	3297	1:7	18790	145011
2016-17	279	2374	1:9	35019	297975	459	3074	1:7	20987	134168
2017-18	285	2518	1:9	35035	309537	472	2976	1:6	23317	163239
2018-19	278	1673	1:6	63208	380385	477	2166	1:5	58145	286463

15. Examination of the Schemes on various parameters:

15.1 The Committee decided to evaluate the schemes/programmes of the Pratishthan on the following parameters:

1.	Relevance of the objective(s) in present scenario
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4.	Methodology of implementation of scheme/programme
5.	Constraints perceived in implementing the scheme/programme
6.	
7.	Constraints perceived in monitoring of the scheme/programme
8.	
9.	Extent of control in output generated under the scheme/programme
10.	Human Resources (used and/or required) for planning, monitoring and implementation.
11.	Physical Resources (used and/or required) for planning, monitoring and implementation.
12.	Collaboration with other Institutions/organization for resource sharing or in other fields.
13.	Financial details
14.	
15.	Future prospects of the pass out students.

15.2 Tables showing data on various schemes/programmes of Pratishthan presently under implementation:

Status of Guru ShishyaParampara Units
Year 2018-19

Table-15.2.1 - GSP Status Year of 2018-19															
Serial	State	Number Of GSP	Veda & Branches											Teachers	Students
			Rigveda-Shakal	S.Y.-Madhyandina	S.Y.-Kanva	K.Y.-Taittiriya	K.Y.-Hiranyakeshi	Samveda-Kauthuma	Samveda-Ranayani	Samveda-GuierPathati	Samveda-Jaimniya	Atharvaveda-Shaunak	Atharvaveda-Painnalad		
1	AP	3		2									1	3	6
2	BR	11		8								3		11	71
3	DL	1		1										1	
4	GJ	8	1	4				1			1		1	8	64
5	GA	4	1	1				1				1		4	16
6	HR	1		1										1	6
7	JM	2		2										2	30
8	JK	3		1									2	3	8
9	KL	1												1	
10	KT	10		3		7								10	47
11	MH	30	6	15	2	1	1		2			3		30	141
12	MP	47		41	1				1		1	3		47	322
13	PJ	2		2										2	8
14	OS	20		3	12			1				2	2	20	102
15	RJ	10		9	1									10	72
16	TN	17	8		1	8								17	84
17	TG	1				1								1	6
18	UP	78	2	64	2	1		5				3	1	78	496
19	UK	6		5				1						6	34
20	WB	6		3	2							1		6	44
Total	20	261	18	165	21	18	1	9	3		2	16	7	261	1557
North East Region															
1	AS	14		14										14	94
2	MN	3		3										3	22
Total	2	17		17										17	116
G Total	22	277	18	182	21	18	1	9	3	0	2	16	7	277	1673

**Status of Pathshala
Year 2018-19**

Table 15.2.2 – Pathshalas Status Year of 2018-19

Serial	State	Number Of Pathshala	Veda & Branches											Teachers			Students
			Rigveda-Shakal	S.Y.-Madhyandina	S.Y.-Kanva	K.Y.-Taittiriya	K.Y.-Hiranyakeshi	Samveda-Kauthuma	Samveda-Ranayani	Samveda- Gandhari	Samveda-Jaiminiya	Atharvaveda-Shaunak	Atharvaveda- Baudhayana	Veda	Sanskrit	Modern Subject	Vittaposhit
1	AP	3		1		2								5	1	1	42
2	BR	1	1	1		1								6	0	2	49
3	DL	2	2	2				2				1		6	1	0	38
4	GJ	2	1	2				2				1		4	1	1	27
5	HP	1	1	1	1				1			1		2	2	1	26
6	HR	1		1										2	0	0	10
7	KT	4	4		1	4								15	4	5	103
8	KL	4	2			2		1						6	4	2	39
9	MH	10	2	8	1	1		1	1			2		32	3	8	257
10	MP	3		3								1		9	3	7	56
11	OS	10	2	1	10			2				1	1	28	6	10	234
12	RJ	11	2	11	1			4	1			3	1	39	9	17	288
13	TN	7	4		3	6		3						17	5	7	65
14	TG	3	2	1	1	1		2						10	1	1	75
15	UP	23	7	23	5	3	1	10	2	3	1	8	2	91	19	38	707
16	WB	4		4	1			3						11	3	7	76
Total	16	89	30	59	24	20	1	30	5	3	1	18	4	283	62	107	2092
North East Region																	
1	AS	3	2	2	1			1						8	2	6	55
2	SK	1		1										1	1	3	5
3	TP	1		1										2	1	1	14
Total	3	5	2	4	1			1						11	4	10	74
G Total	19	94	32	63	25	20	1	31	5	3	1	18	4	294	66	117	2166

Table:15.2.3 No. of GSP, Pathashala, Teachers, Ratio, Average Expenditure during 2013-14 to 2018-19

Year	Guru Shishya Parampara system Amt in Rs.							Pathshala system Amt in Rs.						
	Number of			Teacher Students ratio	Average number of student per GSP	Average Per student expenditure in Rs.	Average Per teacher expenditure in Rs.	Number of			Teacher Students ratio	Average number of student per Pathashala	Average Per student expenditure in Rs.	Average Per teacher expenditure in Rs.
	GSP	Teachers	Students					Pathashala	Teachers	Students				
2013-14	286	286	2755	1:10	9.63	47821	460654	74	450	3441	1:08	46.50	21207	136804
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16. Observations:

The activities of the Pratishthan can be broadly classified in three categories:

1. Activities relating to Sasvara Veda Recitation through Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units for preservation of the oral tradition of Veda;
2. Activities relating to research and training in Veda; and
3. Activities relating to spreading of awareness on Veda and Vedic culture.

16.1 Activities relating to Vedic education: –

16.1.1. Sasvara Veda Recitation through Veda Pathashalas & Veda Education through Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units: -Activities relating to Veda education are the most important activities of the Pratishthan and involve providing financial assistance to the affiliated Veda Pathashalas and the GSP Units by way of honorarium to the teachers and scholarships to the students every month. Presently, financial assistance is being provided to 94 Veda Pathashalas and 261 GSP Units wherein 755 no. of teachers and 8506 no. of students are in receipt of benefits under the scheme. Pratishthan runs two courses in Veda studies, namely, Veda Bhushan (5-year study) and Veda Vibhushan (additional 2-years study). Admission to these courses is given to willing students who have passed out Vth std of mainstream education system or have acquired proficiency equivalent of Vth std, certified by a qualified teacher. The students are put through in-depth Veda studies for five years for Veda Bhushan and seven years for Veda Vibhushan, thereby making it a total ten-year schooling and twelve-year schooling respectively for these two courses. The Pratishthan has been requesting the MHRD for recognition of these two courses of Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan as equivalent of secondary and senior secondary (10th& 12thstd) level study examination to enable the Veda students pursue higher studies in Veda/Sanskrit/Languages/Humanities subjects in any college/ university in the country. So far, no recognition has been granted. However, a number of universities have recognized these courses as entry level qualification for their graduate level courses. These two courses are the flagship activities of the Pratishthan and are running well through the Veda Pathashalas and the GSP Units. The Pratishthan has been constantly improving the academic quality of various modern subjects prescribed under its syllabus so that Veda students are brought at par with the modern education along with the prime mover of Veda. The Pratishthan has prescribed Yoga, Computer and Vedic Ganit for the benefit of Veda Students and it is being formalized into curriculum through structured courses.

It is also observed that for the last few years there is no new affiliation granted to any Veda Pathashala or GSP Units for financial assistance which defeats the cause for spreading of Vedic knowledge, tradition and culture in the country.

In this matter Pratishthan has been pursuing the M/o HRD for the financial assistance for opening Veda Pathashala or GSP Units in various States.

16.1.2. Veda Examination: Conducting annual examination for these students throughout the country is a huge and onerous task. Pratishthan has been carrying out this huge task with limited contractual and outsourced employees, since Pratishthan does not have any regular manpower in charge of examination. As a result, there have been delays in declaring results, issuing of mark-lists and awarding of certificates. To maintain the sanctity, confidentiality and impartiality of the examinations and also accountability for their timely conduct and declaration of result etc., Pratishthan must have a separate and independent examination wing with adequate regular manpower at all levels.

Further, from the details given in Table – 3.5.7 and 3.9.7 above, it is observed that the no. of financially aided students appearing in the Pratishthan's examination has come down in the year 2018-19, after introduction of joint bank accounts of the students with their parents and Aadhaar authentication for release of Govt. funds/benefits. Reasons for reduction in no. of affiliated students/students seeking financial assistance from Govt of India need to be looked into for appropriate remedial action.

16.1.3. The model Veda Pathashala:-The Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya (RAVV), which is being run in the campus of the MSRVVP from the academic session 2018-19, has been providing the ideal setting and environment for Oral Veda Recitation and Vedic Education. The students are being imparted high quality Vedic education by the best of Veda teachers. The arrangements made for their accommodation and food are of high quality and the ambience created for Oral Veda Recitation /Vedic studies with devotion and dedication is ideal. It is an excellent model to be replicated elsewhere in the country for future progress of Vedic education and improvement in its quality.

16.2. Activities relating to Research and Training: -

16.2.1. Activities relating to Veda research and training has not been taken up adequately by the Pratishthan so far. It is observed that Pratishthan does not have the required manpower to carry out Veda training activities on a regular basis. There is also no sanctioned post for carrying out research activities. These aspects of MSRVVP's activities are not getting the required attention due to acute shortage of manpower and consequently some of the objectives as enunciated in the MoA remain unfulfilled for last 30 years which need to be addressed immediately.

16.3. Activities relating to Propagation of Veda & Vedic culture:

16.3.1. Activities relating to the third category i.e., spreading of awareness on Veda and Vedic culture are being taken up by MSRVVP on a regular basis as per the annual calendar for activities prepared with the recommendation of the Project Committee and approval of the Finance Committee and the Governing Council, as may be seen from the details given in Table.

16.3.2 Vedic Classes for All: Pratishthan's own initiative of running "Vedic Classes for All" in Pratishthan's Ujjain City Centre at Bharatpuri is an excellent effort for spreading awareness about Vedic knowledge, tradition and culture in the country. More number of programs are required in this direction to popularize Veda.

17. Conclusions:

17.1 Activities relating to Sasvara Veda Recitation and Vedic education

17.1.1. Sasvara Veda Recitation and Vedic education through Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units has been continuing over a long period of time in a very perfunctory way in which honorarium to the teachers and scholarships to the students of Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units are released every month after obtaining their attendance report. Due to shortage of manpower in the Pratishthan, no surprise inspection has been carried out by the Pratishthan to verify the authenticity of the reports, actual imparting of Veda education, duration and quality of Veda teaching etc. No strict criteria and transparent selection procedure for Veda Gurus has been adopted in the past by the Pratishthan for maintaining standards of Veda teaching, though after taking over of the charge by the present secretary, a strict and transparent procedure for selection of Veda teachers and other subject teachers has been put in place. Secondly, there is stagnation in the number of affiliation to Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units, consequently in the number of Veda students, in the last few years which need to be looked into for gradual increase in their numbers and attracting more and more students to Vedic education.

As far as the conduct of examination for the Veda students undergoing Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan course is concerned, system in place needs to be strengthened in terms of more elaborate testing of memorization, recitation and intonation of Veda mantras by renowned Vedic scholars as examiners. This will give a tremendous boost to the quality of Veda education being imparted by the affiliated Veda Pathashalas and the GSP Units under the Pratishthan. Only the final year examination for Veda Vibhushan is being organized at the MSRVVP campus. Since the Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units are scattered all over the country annual examinations for 1st to 6th std Veda students are conducted in various centres across the country. Due to shortage of manpower in the Pratishthan, neither any representative of MSRVVP could be present in the examination centres,

nor could any surprise inspections be carried out. For organizing these examinations, Pratishthan depends entirely on private individuals, which is not ideal for ensuring fair, transparent and fool-proof conduct of the examinations and quality control.

Pratishthan's direct initiative in running Veda Pathashala in the form of Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan in the campus of the MSRVVP at Ujjain is a much improved version of Veda Pathashala and is ideal way forward for imparting high quality Vedic education in the country.

It is also observed that the Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan course run by the MSRVVP has not been granted recognition by the MHRD/Govt. of India as equivalent of 10th and 12th standard of mainstream education system, though the Veda students also go through ten and twelve years of schooling for Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan respectively, thereby causing hardships to the students for pursuing higher studies. Though some Vedic universities have recognized these courses as entry level qualification for admission to their graduate level courses in the related field, there is no universal acceptance by the general category universities in the country.

Pratishthan has informed the Committee that a proposal for granting recognition to Veda Bhushan & Veda Vibhushan as equivalent to 10th & 12th Std of mainstream education system is under consideration and simultaneously, a proposal has also been approved by the Governing Council of the Pratishthan to establish a Vedic education Board which is also under the consideration of the Ministry of HRD.

17.2 Activities relating to Research & Training

- 17.2.1 Many a number of books on various aspects of Vedas mainly on the basis of researchers of scholars of Indian Universities/Research Thesis awarded by Universities have been published by the Pratishthan. However, no in-house research in the field of Veda has been done by the Pratishthan so far, mainly due to lack of manpower, sanctioned strength of research fellows and various other factors. It is only recently that the Pratishthan has taken initiative to start the **Veda Research Centre** and sought MHRD's approval for necessary manpower and other facilities through a Detailed Project Report and SFC proposal.
- 17.2.2 As far as Training is concerned, Pratishthan has been organizing Refresher Courses for the Vedic teachers of the affiliated Veda Pathashalas for quality improvement. Pratishthan has informed the Committee that due to acute shortage of manpower, training activities could not be taken up on a regular basis and also to GSP Units.

17.3 Activities relating to propagation of Vedic knowledge & culture

- 17.3.1. Every year Pratishthan organizes at least one national and six regional Veda sammelans, one national seminar and six regional seminars and in collaboration with other institutions/ universities/NGOs. Pratishthan has been organizing six or more number of seminars and sammelans consistently in the last six years, despite having shortage of manpower and other resources. Pratishthan has also organized Workshops in the last two years on regular basis.
- 17.3.2. Other activities like “Vedic Classes for All”, “Ghar Baithke Vedon Ki Shiksha”, “Ved Gyan Saptah” etc. are good and welcome efforts by the Pratishthan. However, these programmes have not been Pratishthan’s major activities. They are neither very high in number, nor any impact assessment of these programmes has been carried out. These programs may be given further support so that very wide encouragement could be done and there may be atleast one competent staff dedicated to each of the above activities, so that monitoring may be done.
- 17.3.3. As far as the scheme of Vedic Awards is concerned, honouring the Vedic scholars and those who have made significant contribution to the cause of Veda is laudable scheme. However, in a sense the scheme has not yet been launched properly. Except for the year 2012, no Award has been conferred so far.

It is observed that the Governing Council has decided to revive the scheme of Awards for Vedic Scholars/Veda Pathis and Govt has also approved this.

18 Recommendations:

18.1 Financial assistance to Veda Pathashalas for preservation of oral tradition of Veda Recitation and encouraging Vedic education is one of the two main schemes of the Pratishthan in which almost 60 % of Pratishthan’s annual budget is spent. The scheme needs to be strengthened in the following areas:

- 18.1.1 Quality control both in terms of course content in subjects other than Veda and also in terms of faculty expertise. Annual programme for faculty development may be drawn up by calling Veda Guru-s for a continuous Veda Parayana for 15 days, Quality Improvement Programme on Veda Teaching and Annual Convention of Veda Guru-s and Veda Students. Regular training of Veda teachers, may be in a course of 3 weeks on oral tradition of Veda Recitation, for their pedagogical skill improvement may be conducted by the Pratishthan in such a way that every Veda teacher undergoes at least one

Refresher course and one **Veda Recitation-Teaching Training** in every five years. All these programmes may have suitable budget support from Govt of India.

18.1.2 Since Pratishthan provides teachers for Sanskrit and other modern subjects only in the Veda Pathashalas, efforts may be made to convert more and more GSP Units in a cluster into Pathashalas, so that the students of the GSP Units also get the benefit of specialized teaching in Sanskrit and other modern subjects, so that Students' all-round development can be accomplished in a very smooth way. Suitable arrangements may be made for the teaching of modern subjects in GSP Units through clustering or with the help of nearby Govt/KV Schools with suitable contingency as per Veda Pathashala scheme.

18.1.3 Skill development programmes for teachers of modern subjects may also be conducted so that they may get an opportunity to gain new knowledge in their subjects and pedagogical training.

18.2 Financial assistance to GSP Units for preservation of oral tradition of Veda and encouraging Vedic education is the other main scheme of the Pratishthan in which almost 40% of Pratishthan's annual budget is spent. The scheme needs to be strengthened in the following areas:

18.2.1 As in the case of Veda Pathashalas, quality control and faculty development may be drawn up. Regular training of Veda teachers for their skill improvement may be conducted by the Pratishthan in such a way that every Veda teacher undergoes at least one Refresher course training in every five years and one **Veda Recitation-Teaching Training** in every five years in five years.

18.2.2. Gurus may be encouraged to run their Gurukulas in a cluster so that it will be easier for the Pratishthan to convert them into Veda Pathashalas and provide teachers of other subjects. This will not only put the Veda students of both Pathashalas and GSP Units on a level playing field as far as the other subjects are concerned but also will improve the overall education of the students in the GSP Units.

It is further desired that a proper mechanism/support system may be developed to impart knowledge on Sanskrit and other modern subjects in GSP Units, which continue to be GSP only.

18.2.3. No new GSP unit has been granted affiliation for financial assistance by the Pratishthan in the last several years. This defeats the purpose of gradual increase in propagation of Vedic culture and tradition as well as expansion of Vedic education in the country. The Committee recommends that at least

10% annual increase in the number of GSP Units may be targeted. If not on full time basis, Pratishthan may introduce part time Veda classes and students may be encouraged to attend these Veda classes in the morning and evening. This will give a tremendous boost to spreading Veda study as this will enable the students to simultaneously pursue mainstream education without any hindrance.

18.3 Examination of Veda students of all the classes from Veda Bhushana 1st to Veda Bhushana 5th and Veda Vibhushana 6th are conducted centrally by the Pratishthan. These are conducted in various centres across the country wherein the Pratishthan may have difficulty to exercise direct control in the proceedings due to severe shortage of regular manpower in the Pratishthan.

18.3.1 It is observed that at present the 7th year (Veda Vibhushan) is being conducted in HQ in Ujjain under the direct control and supervision of the Pratishthan.

The Committee, having observed the success of the above mechanism recommends that Pratishthan may conduct the annual examinations of **Veda Bhushana** 5th year (Veda Bhushan) also must be conducted in only in HQ in Ujjain under the direct control and supervision of the Pratishthan so that no difficulty should arise in the matter of quality control in the Vedic recitation/Vedic Examination.

18.3.2 Time taken for declaration of results, issue of mark-lists and certificates must be reduced to the barest minimum and in any case it should not take more than 30 days. Certificates of Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan must be sent to the pass-outs by post to their permanent address and not through the Veda Pathashalas or the Gurus in the GSP Units.

18.4 Veda education in Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya (RAVV).

18.4.1. The Governing Council of MSRVVP had conceptualized the Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya way back in 1998 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble HRM Prof. Murli Manohar Joshi. Initial proposal was to start five Adarsh Veda Vidyalayas in five regions of the country. However, it has taken 20 years to start one Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya. On 27 September 2018, Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya has been opened in the campus of MSRVVP, Ujjain. The RAVV has been functioning exceedingly well, in an ideal setting, under the guidance of high quality Veda teachers. This is an ideal method of imparting quality Veda education- Vedic recitation and the Committee recommends that such RAVVs may be established in all 4 regions of the country to sustain quality of Veda education- Vedic recitation. These may be in North, South,

East and West Regions, in addition to an RAVV in NER area. State Govts may be requested to provide 10 acres of land for each RAVV for in those regions.

- 18.4.2. New RAVVs should have facilities for teaching for the entire course of seven years for Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan along with modern subjects like Science, Mathematics, Social science, Computer science, Vedic Mathematics, English, Sanskrit, Hindi etc. This will provide perfect grooming to the Veda students which will go a long way in producing the ideal citizens that the RAVVs are aiming for.

18.5 Recognition of courses run by MSRVVP

- 18.5.1. The students undergoing courses of Veda Bhushan and Veda Vibhushan in the Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units affiliated to MSRVVP are facing hardships in getting admission to colleges/universities since these courses are not recognized by any Board or Govt. of India as equivalent of 10th and 12th Std of mainstream education system.

On perusal of the records it has come to the notice of the committee that the General Body (12-7-2017) and Governing Council (14-12-2017) of the Pratsihthan have decided for recognition of courses run by MSRVVP through an Executive Orders of MHRD and requested the Govt of India in this regard. A committee has also been constituted and submitted its report in this matter on 5-9-2017 to M/o HRD. Further, Pratishtan may take up this matter with MHRD on priority to alleviate the hardships of the students.

18.6 Veda Research Centre (VRC)

- 18.6.1 There are a good number of Research Centers primarily on various branches of Sanskrit & Veda learning System. Some Universities also have Sanskrit and Veda Research Programmes. However, setting up Veda Research Centre (VRC) in MSRVVP is long overdue as the MoA itself has such an idea in it. Vedic education is not complete in the absence of Vedic research. The Committee has been informed about the developments in the process of setting up VRC. MSRVVP may take up the matter with MHRD to expedite the matter on priority and seek adequate manpower for the centre.

- 18.6.2 Veda Research Centre (VRC) in MSRVVP may take up the following activities- Publication of Veda Manuscripts, Data on Veda Researches Done, Vedic Bibliography, Translation of Vedas into various Regional Languages, Preparation of Vedic Directory, Vedic Museum, Shrouta, Vaidik Jeevan Paddhati, reflecting Vedic tradition & culture, Exhibition and Shakha Survey, publication of journals and printing of other materials like Text

Books on Veda learning , Video recording of Yajnas, Production of Educational Material on Shrouta, Yaga etc., E-material on Veda, maintaining & updating of library resources etc. MSRVVP may take up all the activities of VRC on priority basis.

18.7 Veda Training Centre

18.7.1 Many universities across India conduct teacher training programmes on various subjects. However, there is no such Veda teacher training programmes across India. Setting up Veda Training Centre (VTC) in MSRVVP is also long overdue. Recitation of Vedas/Vedic education will not have highest standard unless proper Veda teacher training is conducted. This Centre may conduct various training programs on Veda-Vikritipatha, Veda Bhashya, Vedanga etc which are desideratum for the preservation of Vedas.

The Committee has been informed about the developments in the process as the 37th Governing Council has decided to set up **Veda Training Centre** in MSRVVP. It is desired that MSRVVP may take up the matter with MHRD on priority and seek adequate manpower for the centre.

18.7.2 Training activities of the Pratishthan need streamlining. Annual programme of training courses to be organized during the year should be drawn up in advance and publicized through Website of the Pratishthan. Adequate manpower for carrying out these activities may be sought from the appropriate authorities of the Pratishthan.

18.7.3 **Veda Training Centre (VTC)** in MSRVVP may take up the following activities-For quality improvement in Veda Recitation/Veda education, Short Term Teacher Quality Training to the existing teachers/Gurus in Veda Pathashalas and GSP Units, affiliated to Pratishthan, must be put through refresher course training every five years. Pratishthan should target at least six training programmes in a year for skill development of the teachers/Gurus.

MSRVVP may take up Veda Teachers Training, Shrouta Yaga Prakriya Training, Veda Vikriti Patha Training, Veda Varna Krama Patha Training, Veda Bhashya Training, Vedaanga Training etc for the betterment of Vedic Education and prepare materials for Six-month certificate course, one-year Diploma and Two-year Advanced Diploma programme. For each course there may be 5-10 students who would be given stipend similar to Veda students and one qualified trainer/teacher for each branch may be engaged on honorarium of similar to RAVV Veda teacher and for modern educational

methodology and educational psychology training, teacher/trainer may be engaged on honorarium similar to Sanskrit teacher in RAVV.

18.8 Activities relating to propagation of Vedic knowledge & culture:

- 18.8.1 Apart from organizing Veda Sammelans, Seminars and Workshops in collaboration with other institutions, Pratishthan may conduct such programmes on its own in various parts of the country by hiring venues and inviting scholars from all over India & abroad.
- 18.8.2 Correspondence course of the Pratishthan, “Ghar Baithke Vedon Ki Shiksha” and week-end programme of “Vedic classes for All” and “Ved Gyan Saptah” are good initiatives for spreading awareness and Vedic culture. These programmes need to be publicized more for participation by a larger number of people and their management need to be strengthened with more dedicated manpower deployed for their bigger success. Simultaneously, new initiatives Veda Sandesh Yatra, Ved Parayan etc. may also be taken up.
- 18.8.3 MSRVVP should conduct (1) Veda Svadhyaya Recitation Camps for the School Children (2) Vaidik Samskriti Camps for the School Children (3) Veda Olympiad for 6-12 Std School children so that so that fragrance of Vedas should reach out to all directions. MSRVVP may prepare material for Olympiad and implement these with the budget support from MHRD.
- 18.8.4 Veda Award scheme of the Pratishthan is an excellent scheme for honouring the renowned Vedic scholars and people who have made significant contribution to the field of Veda. However, this scheme should be implemented on a regular basis and timely recognition of the scholars would go a long way in encouraging young students to take up Vedic studies and research with more devotion and vigour.

18.9 Catering to the Needs of Overseas Indians (NRIs and PIOs)

- 18.9.1 As per the data of 2016 released by MEA, there are about three crore of Overseas Indians (Non-Resident Indians and Persons of Indian Origins). Of them, many want to learn Vedas, know about Vedas, and send their children to learn Vedas during Vacation and re connect with Vedas as a source of their culture. Therefore, MSRVVP may do all effort to have a Special Centre by which it may reach out to the needs of overseas Indians (NRIs and PIOs). Such Centre may organize Veda Samskriti Shibir, Vedic Cultural Awareness Programme, and Veda Recitation Programme for Children of Overseas Indians etc so that fragrance of Vedas should reach out to all directions.

19. Other Suggestions:

The Committee observed that the mandate given to MSRVVP is enormous and onerous. However, manpower given to it is grossly inadequate for performance of the tasks relating to the mandate as well as for the annual programmes drawn up by the authorities. For achieving and fulfilling the objectives of the Pratishthan, as enunciated in its MoA, additional manpower has to be provided to the Pratishthan at the earliest.

On a peer Institute's comparison, other sister institutions/Deemed to be Universities like the Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, New Delhi etc who have budget allocation less than that of Pratishthan have been given non-faculty (administrative) staff of nearly 100 each with a student staff ratio being approximately 15:1; whereas MSRVVP has student staff ratio of 200:1. This has led to serious setbacks in organizing the planned programmes of MSRVVP spread across India in an ideal way. There are areas as pointed out elsewhere in the report where the assigned tasks need to be performed, supervised and monitored only by regular staff and officers of the Pratishthan. Outsourcing those activities are neither always feasible, nor desirable. The Committee, therefore, strongly recommends creation and sanction of various posts on par with other educational institutions for MSRVVP at the earliest.

The committee was informed by the Pratishthan that three separate proposals (1) DPR with manpower for Setting Up Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Sanskrit Shiksha Board (2) DPR with manpower for Setting Up Veda Research Centre (3) Restructuring of MSRVVP Administrative Set up have been submitted to the Ministry for approval in which the manpower requirement has been projected as in the Annexure. To perform the mandated task as per MoA, the Committee, on the Evaluation of all aspects as delineated in the Report, feels that the structure of MSRVVP needs to be overhauled and manpower requirement as projected by the Proposal as shown in the annexure is the barest minimum and should be sanctioned immediately.
