**Uttar Pradesh**

Under the auspices of Swami Chidananda Birth Centenary Celebrations, the DLS Lucknow Branch together with the other DLS Branches of Uttar Pradesh organised a State Level Spiritual Conference at the sacred
Naimisharanya Kshetra from 12th to 14th April 2015.

H.H. Sri Swami Advaitanandaji, Chairman Swami Chidananda Birth Centenary Celebration Committee, Sri Swami Akhilanandaji, Sri Swami Dharmanishthanandaji, Sri Swami Poornabodhanandaji from the Headquarters Ashram, Sri Swami Sivachidanandaji from Odisha, Sri Brijesh Pathakji (Ramayani) from Bareli and Sri Ramesh Misraji from Lucknow attended the Conference and addressed the devotees in different sessions.

The activities of the Conference included Prabhat-pheri, morning prayer and meditation, Yogasana class, discourses by the eminent speakers on the life and teachings of Sadgurudev Sri Swami Sivanandaji Maharaj and Worshipful Sri Swami Chidanandaji Maharaj and on the different aspects of spiritual life and Bhajan-kirtan by the devotees of different DLS branches. The Balvahini of DLS Lucknow Branch also actively participated in the Conference by reciting 12th and 16th chapters of Srimad Bhagavadgita on the first two days. On the concluding
day i.e. 14th April, Paduka Puja was organised and blessing messages were delivered by all the revered Swamijis. Thereafter, the devotees presented Bhajans and shared their experiences with Param Pujya Sri Swami Chidanandaji Maharaj. The Conference came to a close with vote of thanks and distribution of Prasad. About 500 devotees from different parts of Uttar Pradesh, Chandigarh, Punjab, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi and Odisha attended the Conference.

**Headquarters Ashram**

**Children of Brijmohan School for Blind, Meerut Visit the Headquarters Ashram**

With the noble aim of enabling the visually challenged children to become an integral part of the society, a special residential school ‘Brijmohan School for Blind’ is being run in Meerut since 2010.

Sri Praveen Sharma, Principal and Smt. Upasana Sharma, teacher of Brijmohan School for Blind brought fifteen children from the School to the sacred abode of Sadgurudev Sri Swami Sivanandaji Maharaj on 11th April 2015 to seek His blessings and also to provide the children an opportunity to experience the pure and serene atmosphere of the Ashram and to interact with the Ashram members thereby enhancing their self-esteem and boosting their confidence. During their two days’ stay, the children visited the sacred shrines of the Ashram, attended Pujas in the
Samadhi Shrine and Sri Viswanatha Mandir and Ganga Arati at Sri Gurudev Ghat. They also offered their loving services to Sadgurudev in the form of melodious Bhajans at Gurudev Kutir and at the holy Samadhi Shrine during the night Satsang. H.H. Sri Swami Padmanabhanandaji Maharaj blessed the children with special Prasad during the night Satsang. On 13th April, H.H. Sri Swami Vimalanandaji Maharaj blessed these special children with his loving interaction with them.

May the blessings of the Lord Almighty, Sadgurudev Sri Swami Sivanandaji Maharaj and Worshipful Sri Swami Chidanandaji Maharaj be upon all!

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**START YOUR PILGRIMAGE NOW**


Develop a correct value of life here. It is not full. It is not perfect. There is always a sense of want.

Soak your life with remembrance of Lord. Dedicate your all to Him. See Him in everyone.

Sing Lord’s Names. Be an instrument in His hands. You are sure to attain eternal bliss even here in life.

O Traveller in this earth-plane! Start the pilgrimage right today. Pray fervently. Remember the Lord constantly. You will surely reach the eternal abode.

*Swami Sivananda*