

## THE ONLY SHELTER

We require the sustenance and development of our life. The Supreme Soul upholds our inner being and manifests in various forms according to our instinctive traits. The living ideal is the only way to lead an adjusted, happy and prosperous life through un-tottering adherence and active allegiance. For awakening the ideal within us, a superior living being leads us and teaches all mechanisms of achieving perfection by attachment with Him through initiation. He is popularly known as **Acharya**, the only shelter of our life.

To save the world Sree Sree Dada, the Acharyadeva of Satsang gives topmost importance to acceptance of Holy Name through initiation. On the occasion of the 231<sup>st</sup> All India Satsang Ritwik Conference on 15<sup>th</sup> April 1998, Acharyadeva Param Pujyapada Sree Sree Dada said, "... Our goal is *Iswarprapti*, i.e. to realize God in reality. But God is '*Abang-manaso-gocharam*' i.e. beyond the expression of our mind and speech. Man cannot recognize Him, cannot comprehend Him. He always remains beyond our own conceptual capacity, but when He descends to this plane of matter in human form, then and only then can we conceive Him through *Sat-Diksha*, i.e. holy initiation. When we take His initiation and move on accordingly on His way, we tend to become enriched with Godly attributes. Then we achieve *Dharan-Paalani-Byaktitwa*, i.e. upholding and protecting personality. God upholds each and all. He never lets anyone get lost from Him."

In the process of holy initiation one is to realize his own self and to adjust his complexes. A meaningful coordination between the Ideal, the individual and the environment could be possible, which helps man to attain perfection and love. By coming in contact with the divine radius of the great personality of Sree Sree Dada these processes become very automatic and spontaneous. His blissful appearance attracts each and every one. His microscopic vision is so intense and powerful that it can see through anyone's nature or into his past. His face is very cheerful and ever possesses a powerful attractive force. The magnetic pull of his personality is irresistible. He is very keen in understanding the morphological, anatomical, and physiological and biochemical lives of innumerable animals, plants and micro-organisms of this universe.

Sree Sree Dada knows a number of languages for which people from different parts of India and foreigners can easily have conversation with him. He is a voracious reader and reads the books not by words or lines but by pages very rapidly. He is a great connoisseur of Hindustani classical music and many other forms of music, and he writes and composes songs. He always helps those who are afflicted by poverty, sickness, disease, and stands by them in their hour of need. At the time of famine, flood, cyclone, earthquake, tsunami or any other form of natural calamity he extends all sorts of physical and financial help to governments in general and the individual in particular.

Sree Sree Dada is very keen in all sorts of objects and always tries to establish the most sophisticated and scientific reasons and backgrounds. He visualizes each plant species for having various types of uses as medicines and growth stimulating agents. Whenever Sree Sree Dada goes to any locality he can easily identify and speculate the important features of that place with its historical, mythological, archaeological, spiritual and social backgrounds. During his stay at Puri, Sree Sree Dada used to visit Totapuri Ashram and Allarnath Temple and explained very lucidly correlating with that of Sree Sree Ramkrishnadev and Sree Sree Chaitanyadev respectively. The priests of Sri Jagannath Temple regularly visit the Satsang Thakurbari at Puri and have long conversations with Sree Sree Dada regarding the daily activities of Sri Jagannath Temple and its various rituals and functions.

Sree Sree Dada's words are so powerful that whenever he utters anything, it is converted into positive action. Sree Sree Dada is trying his best to establish Sree Sree Thakur and his ideology throughout the country and abroad by way of holy initiation and establishment of Srimandirs and Satsang Vihars.