Sri Ibaramapurada apparavaru:



Period - 1789-1869 Janma nama – Ibaramapura Krishnacharyaru

Upadesha Gurugalu - Rayaru (Svapna) Shishyaru - Shri Vijaya Ramachandra Vittala Dasa. Place - Ibaramapura near Mantralaya Punya Tithi - Shravana Shudda Triteeya

ಹನುಮಂತಾರ್ಚಕಂ ಸೌಮ್ಯಂ ರಾಘವೇಂದ್ರೋ ಗುರೋ: ಪ್ರಿಯಂ। ಅಪ್ಪೇತಿ ನಾಮ್ನಾ ವಿಖ್ಯಾತಂ ಕೃಷ್ಣಾಚಾರ್ಯ ಗುರುಂ ಭಜೇ।

हनुमंतार्चकं सौम्यं राघवेंद्रो गुरोः प्रियं। अप्पेति नाम्ना विख्यातं कृष्णाचार्य गुरुं भजे।

hanumantaarchakam soumyam raaGavEndrO gurO: priyam | appEti naamnaa viKyaatam kRuShNaachaarya gurum bhajE |

Ibharamapura is also very near to Mantralaya, on the banks of the River Tungabadra, is the place of Ibharamapura's Appa. People loved him, regarded him as he was a great Aparokshagnyani. The actual name of Shri Appavaru is Shri Krishnaryaru and he is affectionately called as "Appavaru" (A FATHER)

His father, Sri Obalacharya and mother Krishnabai performed the seva of Rayaru in Mantralaya, Rayaru blessed them, they gave birth to a male child, that child was our Ibharamapura's Krishnacharya. Ibaramapura is a muslim dominated place.

Appa was daily going to Mantralaya from Ibharamapura to take the Darshana of Rayaru. Ibharamapura's Appa was so dear and near to Mantralaya Rayaru, that Rayaru was appearing in the dreams of the Sevakarthas and told several times that tomorrow I will not be here in Mantralaya and going to Ibharamapura. This proves that how Appa was dear to Rayaru. He was a great Jnaani and a great devotee of Sri Rayaru. That is how his aradhana day is today noted in Mantralaya Rayara Mutt Panchanga.

Shri Appavaru played a great role in the adhyatma saadhana of Shri Vijaya Ramachandra Vittala Dasa.

Once Shri Appavaru visited Mysore on the invitation of King Mummudi Krishnaraja Wodeyar to alienate the evil spirit that was hiding in the palace and troubling the kingdom. After recognizing the spiritual power of Shri Appavaru, King offered to surrender anything that Shri Appavaru desired. After driving away the Evil Spirit from the Kingdom, Shri Appavaru asked for the idol of Shri PANCHAMUKHI PRANA DEVA that was hidden in Raja Mandira. King was amazed to know the Jnana Drushti of Shri Appavaru and surrendered Shri Prana Deva to Shri Appavaru. Shri Ramaryaru having already known the Mahima of Shri Appavaru, without any delay, visited Shri Appavaru and prostrated before him and begged for his blessings (Anugraha).

Gurus do not always bless those who just prostate or beg. Instead Gurus always choose to grant anugraha based on the svaroopa of the jeeva. As Shri Appavaru had the complete knowledge of the svaroopa of Shri Ramaryaru, Shri Appavaru bestowed poorna anugraha on Shri Ramaryaru with a deep affectionated hug (Aalingana). With this, Shri Ramaryaru regained his JNANA that was masked due to his rebirth in human being.

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