

Sacred Roots of Jainism

Shri Ganesh Varni Dig. Jain Sansthan (Varanasi)
Gurudev Samantbhadra Centre for Jainism (Karanja Gurukul)
Dharma For Life (New Delhi)

Presenting a Joint Conference on
The 125th Birth Year of Late Pandit Phool Chandra Shastri
From: 1st Feb. to 2nd Feb. 2026



Conference is centered around the works of Pandit ji. The conference will have two special lectures, organized as ***Siddhantacharya Pandit Phool Chandra Shastri Memorial Lectures***, by **Prof. Raj Kumar Chabda (Ex-Jodhpur Univ)**, and **Dr. Natalia Zheleznova (Russia)**. The conference will also have multiple sessions on the life and works of Pandit ji. Many topics related to History, Archeology, Ancient manuscripts, mathematics, primarily focusing on Prakrit literature will be covered. Scientific contents of Jain principles will also be discussed and their modern-day relevance emphasized.

On the first day, a wall painting (Mural) of Pandit ji will be unveiled by Chief Guest Justice N.K. Jain (Jaipur), former Chief Justice of Madras High Court and Karnataka High Court, former Chairperson, Human Rights Commission, H.P. and Rajasthan, and former Chairman, Shri Mahaveer ji Kshetra. Other distinguished guests Dr. Wangchuck Dorjee Negi (VC, Tibetan Institute, Sarnath) and Shri Suresh Jain IAS, President Shri Nainagiri Kshetra, will also grace the occasion.

This brief program will be followed by the lectures of the scholars converging from all parts of the country and abroad. It is going to be a most joyous occasion being held to celebrate the 125th Birth Year of a great scholar Pandit Phool Chandra Shastri. We will observe it in the spirit of spiritual enquiry, pursuit of knowledge and renewal of our pledge to continue more vigorously in the future.

Day 1, Sunday, 1st February 2026:

Inaugural Function: 9.00 AM, Arrival of the Guests, Mandir Darshan

9.15 Hrs – 9.30 Hrs

(Ceremony to be conducted by Prof. Kamlesh Kumar Jain, BHU)

Unveiling Ceremony of the Wall Painting (Mural) of Pandit ji

By Hon'ble Justice N.K. Jain, Jaipur in the gracious presence of Dr. Wangchuck Dorjee Negi and Shri Suresh Jain (IAS).

Tributes to Panditji by offering flowers.

{Group photo of the participants, family members with the guests in front of the painting}

0930 to 1030 hrs (Inauguration of the conference including release of books)

On the dais: Shri Keshav Dev Jain, to Preside over the session

Chief Guests **Justice N.K. Jain and Prof. (Dr.) Wangchuk Dorjee Negi**, VC, Central Tibetan Institute

Distinguished Guests Shri Suresh Jain, IAS, Shri R.C. Jain (President, Jain Samaj Kashi), Shri Rakesh Jain (President, Jain Niketan, Naria)

Welcome of guests by offering Bouquet (5 min)

Welcome remarks by Dr. Sanjiv Saraf, Secy of the conference.

Welcome by Prof. A.K. Jain, Chairman, Organizing Committee (5 min)

Introduction of the Chief Guest Justice N.K. Jain

Speech of Justice N.K. Jain (5 min)

Introduction of Shri Suresh Jain IAS

Speech of Shri Suresh Jain (5 min)

Introduction of Dr. Wangchuck Dorjee Negi, VC, Tibetan Institute

Inaugural remarks by VC, Tibetan Institute (5 min)

Remarks by Shri R.C. Jain and Shri Rakesh Jain

Concluding remarks by Shri Keshav Dev ji

Release of the books by the Guests on the Dais (15 min). Few words by the Special Guests – Shri Vijay Kumar Jain (editor of the book), Dr. Asha Jain (author)

1030 to 1100 – High Tea

Before the formal start of the conference:

Tributes to the President of our Executive Committee Prof. Rajaram Jain, who recently passed away. 1st February happens to be his birthday also.

Tributes by Prof. A.K. Jain, Secretary of GVS

Start of the conference

Day-1, Session-1: 1100 to 1300 hrs

Chairperson: Prof. Anupam Jain

Brief Introduction of GVS and welcome of the special invited lecturers – Prof. A.K. Jain (BHU) (8 min)

Brief Introduction of Karanja Gurukul – Shri Kirti Bhore, Karanja (8 min)

Brief Introduction of DFL – Dr. Medhavi Jain, New Delhi (8 min)

Siddhantacharya Pandit Phool Chandra Shastri Memorial Lecture

Introduction of the Speaker – Dr. Medhavi Jain (3 min)

Dr. Natalia Zheleznova (Russia) – Pt. Phool Chandra Shastri and his translation of *Sarvarthasiddhi* - an outside view (40 +5 min)

Felicitation of the speaker (3 min)

Introduction of the speaker by Dr. Sanjiv Saraf

1. Dr. Anubhav Jain, Kareli (*Jain Tatva Mimansa*) (20+5 min)

Lunch: 1300 to 1330

Day-1, Session-2: (1330 to 1500 Hrs)

Chairperson: Prof. Phool Chand Jain Premi, Varanasi

Contributions of Pandit Ji – Literary, Social, Political etc. (10-15 min each)

1. Prof. Jaikumar Jain (Muzaffarnagar)
2. Prof. Kamlesh Kumar Jain (Varanasi)
3. Dr. Anekant Jain (New Delhi)
4. Mrs. Preeta Bhore (Karanja)
5. Dr. Surendra Kumar Bharti (Burhanpur)

Tea: 1500 to 1530 Hrs

Day 1, Session-3: 1530 to 1700

Chairperson: Dr. S.P. Pandey (P.V.)

1. Shri Vijay Bhai Shah, Karanja (25 min)
2. Ms. Ruchi Jain (10 min)
3. Ms. Sunayana Jain (10 min)
4. Anshu Kushwaha (Jain Dahrnmganthon me Kutniti)
5. Dr. Anita Yadav (Jain Jiva Vigyan ka Agamik Aadhar)
6. Mr. Arun Gupta

Evening Dinner: 1700-1815 hrs

Day 2, Monday, 2nd February 2026: Session 1- 0930 to 1100 AM

Chair: Prof. Ashok Kumar Jain (Ex-BHU)

SPPS Lecture 2 (50 minutes)

Introduction of the Speaker by Prof. A.K. Jain (Roorkee)

Prof. Raj Kumar Chabda (Ex-Jodhpur Univ) – तत्त्वार्थसूत्र की समस्या और सर्वार्थसिद्धि की प्रस्तावना (१९५५) को मान्यता देने का प्रश्न (40+5 min)
Felicitation of the Speaker

Introduction of the speakers

Prof. Anupam Jain, Indore (25 min) – *Scientific Aspects of Jainism*

Dr. Anil Kumar Jain, Jaipur (25 min) – *Declining Jain Population of Jains*

Tea Break: 1100 to 1115 hrs

Day 2, Session 2:

Tirthankar Parshvnath (1115 AM – 1315 PM)

Chairperson: Prof. Maruti Nandan Tiwari (Ex-BHU)

- 1. Dr. S.S. Sinha (BHU)- भारतीय कला संस्कृति में पार्श्वनाथ (25 min)**
- 2. Shri Amalprabh Chawre – कहानी दो अंतरिक्ष प्रतिमाओं की (25 min)**
- 3. Smt. Pragya Dongaonkar – कारंजा का पञ्च कल्याणक पट्ट (25 min)**
- 4. Dr. D. P. Sharma (Ex-BHU) – Roots of Jain symbols in Indus Civilization (25 min)**

Lunch: 1315 to 1400

Day 2, Session 3: 1400-1600

Chairperson: Prof. Lalji Shravak

Panel discussion: The State of Sarvjña in Indian Philosophies

Panelists: Dr. Medhavi Jain, Ms. Pragya Bhatt, Shri Kirti Kumar Bhole, Dr. Anand Kumar Jain BHU, Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Jain Jaipur.

Session-4: 1600 to 1700, Valedictory session

Chair: Prof. Abhay Kumar Jain (Lucknow), Distinguished Guests Prof. Vijay Shankar Shukla (Director P.V.) and Prof. Pradyumna Shah Singh (Head, Jain Darshan, SVDVG, BHU)

Vote of Thanks: Amit Jain

Evening Dinner 5 PM onwards.

Patrons:

(Padma Shree) Prof Rajaram Jain (now passed away)

Shri Manindra Jain, Delhi

Shri Prashant Jain, Mumbai

Shri Keshav Deo Jain, Kanpur

Prof. Prem Suman Jain, Udaipur

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