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Paurohitya department is established with the main objective of developing and preserving Indian cultural heritage. The department offers both undergraduate and postgraduate courses. The Certificate courses and the Diploma Course are also quite popular attracting more students, being practical- oriented, vocational courses of the traditional set-up. It is very encouraging to see people engaged in these traditional cultural and religious practices. In all the functions of the Vidyapeeth, all connected Poojas and rituals are conducted by the Paurohitya department. The department produces ambassadors of Indian culture who demonstrate and explain these traditional practices. Even in this modern age the traditional cultural ritual is imparted in a scientific manner and is treated as true vocation. Rituals form a major activity of all those who have belief in the traditional system of ritualism of this Indian knowledge system will bring NRIS in a more meaningful manner. Department trains students who become eligible to act as priests, preachers and messengers of love and peace-thro' scriptural texts specially for the army, navy and air-forces.

The Science of Paurohitya is the practical sight of Ved, Dharam Shastra, Jyothish and the Ph.D students are working on interdisciplinary projects. Studies are also done on the different Pooja rituals practised in different countries. Modern audio-visual aids are used in teaching this traditional subject. All aspects of different Yajnas are explained with the help of CDs and Video Cassetts

Evaluative Report of the Department

1. Name of the Department : **Paurohitya**
2. Year of establishment : **1964**
3. Is the Department part of a School/Faculty of the university? : **Yes, Part of Ved Vedang**
4. Names of programmes offered (UG, PG, M.Phil., Ph.D., Integrated Masters; Integrated Ph.D., D.Sc., D.Litt., etc.) : **UG, PG, M.Phil., Ph.D, Paurohitya Prashikshan, Certificate Course on Paurohitya, Diploma in Paurohitya**