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Jyotish department excels in a traditional science which brings the university closer to the society. From the very inception, Jyotish department became an integral part of the academic structure of the Vidyapeetha. The main objective of the department is to preserve the Indian Vedic tradition. Many of the Indian universities immensely benefited by the syllabus of Vidyapeeth and have followed it without any alteration. Since there is a lot of demand for this popular and socially relevant subject, the department offers Shastri, Acharya, M.Phil. and Ph.D. courses in Jyotish. To the general public the department runs a certificate course named Jyotish Prajna giving the basics of the science of Jyotish and a diploma course "Jyotish Bhushan. Special courses like Medical Astrology are also given as evening courses under the self-financing stream UGC has accorded special assistance for carrying on research in Medical astrology.

The special contribution of the department is the Vidyapeetha Panchang. Since 1983 the department brings out the Panchang regularly and it is the cheapest Panchang available in the market. The Panchang contains details about Vratas, festivals, Horoscope calculations and future prediction.

The faculty members of the department also offer free consultancy services about astrological matters and Vasthu.

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## **Evaluative Report of the Department**

- 1. Name of the Department : Jyotish (Sidhant / Falit)
- 2. Year of establishment : 1964
- 3. Is the Department part of a School/Faculty of the university? : Yes, Part of Ved Vedang Faculty.
- 4. Names of programmes offered (UG, PG, M.Phil., Ph.D., Integrated Masters; Integrated Ph.D., D.Sc., D.Litt., etc.) :
  - (i) Traditional Courses: UG, PG, M.Phil., Ph.D.
  - (ii) Courses under Self Financing Scheme One Year Certificate Course Jyotish Pragya, One Year Diploma Course Jyotish Bhushan.
  - (iii) Courses under Special Assistance Programme by UGC One Year Diploma Course Bhaishajya Jyotish (Medical Astrology).
  - (iv) Course under innovative programme Two Years PG Diploma on Vaastu
  - (v) Three Years Course under Career Oriented Programme of UGC
     (1) One Year Certificate Course in Jyotish and Vaastu (2) One
     Year Diploma Course in Jyotish and Medical Astrology (3) One
     Year Advanced Diploma Course in Jyotish and Vaastu.