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## Dadi Prakashmani's last rites performed

- Narendra Modi addressed condolence meet -

**Abu Road, August 27:** Mr. Narendra Modi, Chief Minister of Gujarat alongwith state assembly speaker, home minister, health minister of Gujarat and other VIPs paid respectful homage to Dr. Dadi Prakashmani, Chief of Brahmakumaris by placing flowers on her mortal body in the final condolence meeting held in institution's Diamond Hall at Shantivan, **here today** in the meditative and prayerful presence of thousands of devotees, well wishers and gentry from all over the world.

Addressing the august gathering, Mr. Modi said that Dadiji, in line with Adi Shankaracharya's philosophy had been able to end the mindset of mine and thine in her and other's lives and had gone beyond man made distinctions & discriminations of caste, creed, community, language, race and religion. Her invaluable contributions towards promotion of spirituality, human values and universal brotherhood and world peace, would always be cherished in our hearts, he said.

Talking to Press on this occasion, Mr. Modi said that spiritual values, ethos, faith and heritage were the true identity of India. Dadiji left no stone untuned in promoting spiritual wisdom, values and Rajyoga Meditation among millions of people especially woman, across the globe throughout her life he stressed. He said that by taking inspiration from her examples, precepts and practices, we would be able to bring about true awakening and transformation in self and society.

Prominence among others to offered their respectful homage to Dadiji were Mahamandleshwar Swami Adhyatmnandji, Sivanad Ashram, Ahmedabad, Shri Arjun Devda, Rajasthan State Govt's Representative, many saints, sages, and many other prominent public figures from India and abroad.

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## Dadi Prakashmani's mortal body consigned to flames

- Thousands of devotees & wellwishers from India and abroad witness last rites. -

**Abu Road, August 27:** The mortal body of Chief of Brahmakumaris, Dr. Dadi Prakashmani melted and mingled into nature's five elements after being consigned to raging flames on the pyre of sandalwood sticks drenched in pure ghee and in the prayerful presence of thousands of devotees, well wishers and gentry from all over the world, in the garden of institution's Shantivan Complex, here today at 10:30 AM.

Amidst meditation songs and music, Rajyogini Dadi Janki, Additional & Overseas Chief of Brahmakumaris accompanied by Rajyogini Dadi Hridaymohini Joint Chief; Rajyogini Dadi Nirmal Shanta, Joint Chief; Rajyogi B. K. Nirwair, Secetary General and other senior Dadijis, brothers and sisters of the institution, lit the pyre kept on a specially designed & decorated platform in the garden opposite Diamond Hall inside the complex.

The sea of humanity on roof tops, corridor, roads and pyre ground in Shantivan remained unmoved in divine meditation and contemplative silence, amidst powerful OM Dhwani for almost two hours, braving the scorching sun, till completion of last rites.

Addressing the divine gathering, **Dadi Janki** said that even though Dadi Prakashmani was no more with us, her words and deeds would always guide and lead us on the spiritual path of selfless service to society and mankind.

**Rajyogi B. K. Nirwair** said that Dadi Prakashmani had lovefully nurtured all the members of this divine institution not as followers but as friends and companions, while at the same time working incessantly for world peace, unity and brotherhood.

The gists of condolence messages from Mrs. Pratibha Patil, President of India; Dr. Abdul Kalam, former President of India, Mr. L. K. Advani, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha. Governors, Chief Ministers, Judges of different states of India, several religious leaders of different faith, editors and media heads, statesmen, ambassadors and industry CEOs of several countries were also conveyed to the gathering.

The whole programme was covered by a large number of regional and national media including live telecast of the event in Astha, Sanskar, Zee Jagran etc.

**Special Bhog session** was held in the Diamond hall in the presence of all devotees today. Rajyogini Dadi Hridaymohini acted as transe messenger and offered bhog to Supreme Soul and also to Dadi Prakashmani in subtle realm. In her divine message, Dadi Hridaymohini said that the best way to remember and pay respectful homage to Dadi Prakashmani, was to follow her foot steps and the divine directions of Supreme Soul for world welfare and benefaction.

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