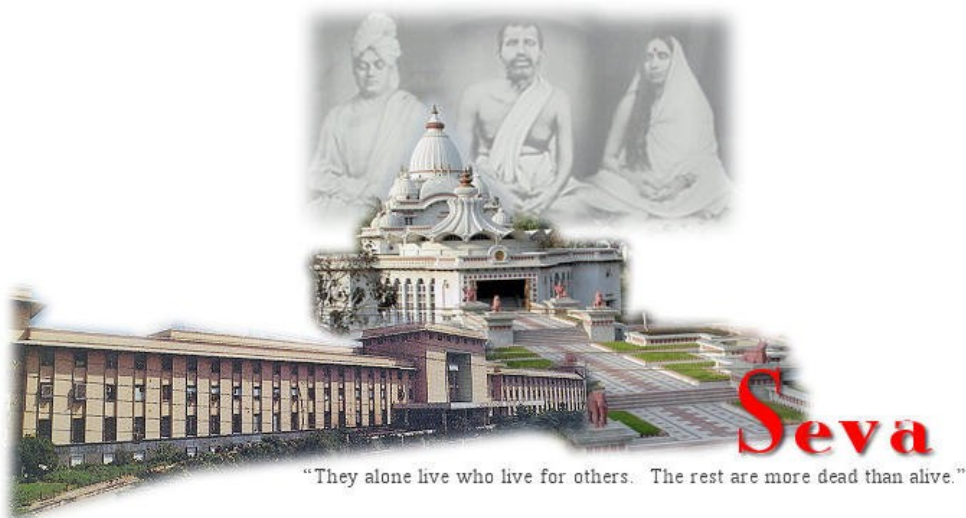




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Polyclinic News

Ramakrishna Mission Sevashram, Lucknow runs the Vivekananda Polyclinic, a 350 bedded multi-speciality community hospital, with the objective of providing quality healthcare at the lowest cost to all patients and to provide charity services to deserving persons from lower socio-economic strata.

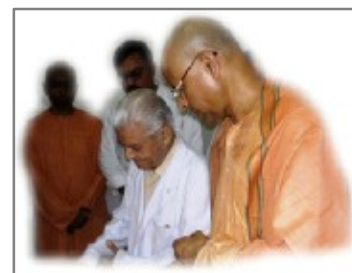
Medical Education

There is a proposal for collaboration between St. James School of Medicine, Bonare, Caribbean Island and Vivekananda Polyclinic, Lucknow for clinical attachment of their undergraduate students. In this connection, Prof. S. Yajnik, Medical Education Cell, visited their headquarters in Chicago on 23rd June, 2006 and Mrs. S. Guha, Registrar, St. James School of Medicine visited Vivekananda Polyclinic, Lucknow on 15th July, 2006. Just now a proposal has been received which is currently being reviewed by Prof. S.Yajnik, Prof. S.S. Agarwal, Dr. S.P. Kharey and Dr. A. Sen.

- National Board of Examinations held pre-accreditation inspections in the departments of Orthopedics, Ophthalmology, Neurosurgery, Obsts. & Gynec. Final N.B.E. approval is awaited.
- Six monthly examinations in Medicine, Surgery, Paediatrics and Anaesthesiology were held in July/August, 2006.
- First batch of D.M.L.T. and D.M.R.T. courses has now qualified, achieving 93 % and 66 % success rate.

Pediatric Surgery OPD starts independently

Out patient department of paediatric and neonatal surgery headed by Dr. Ashutosh Pandey M.S., MCh. Was started on 11.07.06 with these new facility neonates with congenital malformation, infants and children will be benefited at large. The department has been performing major complex surgeries with success, e.g. Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia, Liver Resection, not available elsewhere in Lucknow.



Out Reach Health Care Programmes

One General Physician is now visiting 'Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany' on two days a week- Tuesday and Friday to provide On-site health care since 21st July, 2006. Those requiring specialist consultation or investigations are advised suitably and may take the same form Polyclinic or elsewhere.

A team of two general physicians, one Ophthalmologist, one Gynaecologist, one Dental Surgeon, one Ayurvedacharya, DNB trainees and paramedical staff with equipment and medicines continued their programmed visits four days a week under outreach programme of Vivekananda Polyclinic to four villages, viz. Harpan Ataria, Paharganj, and Katra Bakkas in district Lucknow and Ramvan Kutir in district Barabanki. Consultation and treatment were provided totally free. As part of the programme, 102 patients in June 2006 and 103 in July 2006 were brought to Polyclinic for free Cataract Surgery and IOL implantation.



Alternate Medicine Shifts to a New Wing

On 27th June, 2006 Swami Muktinathananda conducted puja to dedicate the newly built premises on the first and second floors of the Biomedical Waste Management Building to be used for Alternate Therapy, i.e. Homeopathy, Ayurvedic, Naturopathy, Pranic Healing, Reiki, Panch Kriya and Yoga therapy.



New Optic Shop opens

A new optic shop was dedicated by Revered Swami Muktinathananda on 26th June, 2006. The shop provides spectacles as per Ophthalmologists prescription at economical rates and gives subsidy to financially handicapped persons.

Regional Centre for Clefts, Craniofacial & Micro Surgery coming up at VPC

The Smile Train Project run through a nonprofit organization of USA, was started in the Department of Plastic, Craniofacial and Microsurgery, Vivekananda Polyclinic on 1st March 2005, to provide free surgery for children who have Cleft Lip & Cleft Palate. More than 400 have benefited till date. Dr. Vaibhav Khanna and his team were given an award of Centre of Excellence of Northern India. The Polyclinic has also been given a special grant for developing a regional centre having an exclusive super specialty, well-equipped operating theatre, orthodontic laboratory and ward are to help this endeavour a D.N.B course in craniofacial surgery is also planned.

Lucknow Plastic Surgeons Meet at VPC



Lucknow Plastic Surgery Club (L.P.S.C.) meeting was held in Vivekananda Polyclinic on July 13, 2006 in the presence of Swami Muktinathananda Ji, & 25 delegates participated and made clinical presentations. Case discussion and treatment planning was done.



Charitable News

- During the month of July, 2811 patients were treated totally free and 104 partially free from OPD, whereas 223 cases out of total 1314 admissions were given free treatment.
- In the month of July, 103 operations of IOL, 42 operations under Smile Train for cleft lip and cleft palate and 6 other operations have been done free of cost.
- A free glass of milk and nutrients (bun/banana) are distributed to nearby children every afternoon.
- A free glass of hot milk from Math Dairy is distributed every morning to patients in general beds.
- Pharmacy sells medicines at 5% discount to cash paying customers.
- Rural Health Programme in all 4 places is totally charitable including supply of medicines.
- General patients pay a nominal OPD registration charge of Rs.10/- and bed charge of Rs.30/- per day.

Math News

Guru Purnima

The Guru Purnima Celebration was organized at the Math as usual with due solemnity on Tuesday, the 11th July, 2006. The highlights of the programme included Japa Yajna, discourse by Swami Muktinathananda, Bhajans, Nam Samkirtana, Havan and distribution of Prasad to a large number of devotees both at noon and at night.



Swami Ramakrishnananda Jayanti

A discourse on the life and teachings on Swami Ramakrishnanandaji was presented by Swami Muktinathananda after evening Arati on his Jayanti dated 23 July, 2006.

Routine weekly discourses on Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna, Gospel of Sri Ma Sarada Devi & Bhagvad Gita were delivered by Swami Muktinathananda as usual during the months of June and July, 2006.

Children's Programme

Everyday about 80 poor children of the locality are being with milk & nutrients.



Sri Ma Sarada Devi Library & Free Reading Room

The Library is attracting a large number of readers from far and near, especially the young students of Lucknow University.

Personality Development

A large number of youth is participating in the bi-monthly meet of the Personality Development Forum. A weekly Yogasana Class is also being held for the youth & children followed by light Tiffin. A Trainers' Training Camp is also being organized at Ramakrishna Math, Kishanpur, Uttaranchal so as to train a few young men to spread the holistic ideas of Swami Vivekananda in remote areas.

Appeal

Continuance and expansion of the aforesaid activities of the Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission Sevashram, Lucknow largely depends on the benevolent participation of the noble-hearted. We, therefore, appeal to one and all to contribute their mite for selfless service of the common people. Any amount will be thankfully received and gratefully acknowledges. Contributions for the Math and the Mission may kindly be sent by M.O. or Cheque / Draft in favour of Ramakrishna Math, Lucknow or Ramakrishna Mission Sevashram, Lucknow respectively. Donations are exempt from payment of Income Tax under Section 80G.

Programme Calendar : August & September - 2006

Weekly Discourses

Sundays - 9:00 a.m.

August	6, 13, 20, 27	On the Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna by Swami Muktinathananda
September	3, 17, 24	

Fridays - 10.00 a.m.

August	4, 11, 18, 25	On the Gospel of Sri Sarada Devi by Swami Muktinathananda
September	1, 8, 15, 22	

Fridays - After Arati

August	4, 11, 18, 25	On Srimat Bhagavad Gita by Swami Muktinathananda
September	1, 8	

alternate Sundays - 4.00 p.m.

August	6, 20	Personality Development Forum for youth - conducted by Swami Muktinathananda & Swami Pararupananda
September	3, 17	

August	Other Festivals and Discourses
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9	Wednesday	Swami Niranjanananda Jayanti - discourse after evening aarati.
15	Tuesday	Sri Krishna Jayanti - special worship & discourse after evening aarati.
22	Tuesday	Swami Advaitananda Jayanti - discourse after evening aarati.

September	Other Festivals and Discourses
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15	Friday	Swami Abhedananda Jayanti - discourse after evening aarati.
22	Friday	Swami Akhandananda Jayanti - discourse after evening aarati.
28	Thursday	SRI SRI DURGA PUJA
29	Friday	SRI SRI DURGA PUJA - Saptami Puja
30	Saturday	SRI SRI DURGA PUJA - Mahastami Puja & Kumari Puja

Sankirtan after Evening Arati

	Ramnam	Shyamnam	Devinam
August	5 (Sat), 19 (Sat)	9 (Wed)	23 (Wed)
September	4 (Mon), 18 (Mon)	7 (Thu)	22 (Fri)

N.B. Bhajans in chorus are held on every Sunday after evening Arati

