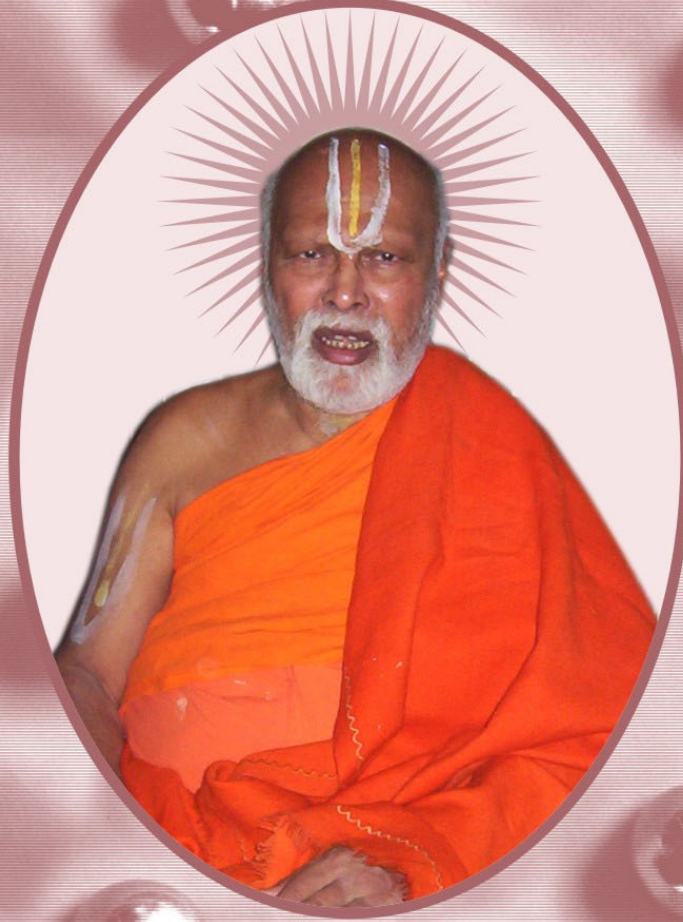




## *all three perumals of hedathale*

*इंगे वनगुपला in left, इंगे लक्ष्मिकान्था ( a.k.a इंगिकान्था) in centre and  
इंगे लक्ष्मिनारासिंहा in right*

Sri Rangapriya Swamigal Tiruvadigale Sharanam



Lakshminarasimhan Sridhar  
-presents-  
Asmath Acharyan's



# Pearls of Wisdom



# *पे़रलेडु ठर वरडुदुल*

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*My Sister Smt. Jayashree Muralidharan , USA*

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*Dear Bhagavathas,*

*Wish you all a happy Deepavali! Let festival of light bring a lot of joy in life! On this festival day let me narrate about the Hedathale - A Puniya and Yoga Bhoomi. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> pearl in our pearls string, I am sure I will be able to join 108 pearls in this string. This is the Samarpanam in "Pearls of Wisdom". This Episode was recorded on 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2009.*

*On (28<sup>th</sup> May 2009) I went to Mandiram at sharp 4.30 PM as Asmath Acharyan H H Rangapriya Swami had given me time slot for my Series "Pearls of wisdom" As usual Sri Ramaswamy Mama was there doing kainkaryam to Swami. Then swami started the topic of the day, it was about the Puniya and Yoga Bhoomi of Hedathale, the birth place of My Acharyan and also his Acharyan and Maha Guru Sri Ranga Maha Guru.*

*Before proceeding to swami's Upanyasam on Hedathale let me give you a small account of my trips to Hedathale. My Guru Bratha Sri Haresh and I, had the good fortune of visiting this Yoga and Puniya Bhoomi long back and we had the darshan of Srikantha Perumal, Lakshminarasimhan and Venugopala Perumal. Then Asmath Acharyans Poorvaashrama thirumaligai and Maha Acharya Purusha Sri Ranga Maha Guru's Thirumaligai (whom Swami Ji refers Guru Bhagavan). We had reached Hedathale late in night ( 8 Pm), but inspite of it, Sri NArayan Mama who is Poorvaashrama Douhithar of H H Rangapriya Swami and also doubles up as Priest of the temple took nice care of us, he took bath and opened the temple and showed us and also took us to see the above mentioned houses also. Then again I went to Hedathale along with my wife Geetha (it was her first experience in a motorbike trip). I had combined the visit to Srirangapatna, Hembargala, Hedathale and Kalale. During this visit I had the*

*Bhagyam of seeing the wooden Ratham presented by Swami to Hedathale temple.*



*It was of course a long time since Geetha and I went to Kshetradanam in our bike. On 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2009 I went and took permission from Acharyan to visit Hedathale and also the Thirumaligai of Guru Bhagavan Sri Ranga Maha Guru on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2009. On 15th it was raining heavily in Bangalore and I*

*thought I will have to shelve the plan of a Bike Kshetradanam, but God was kind to me at*



Sri Lakshminarasimha Perumal

10.30 AM rain stopped and we had the Bhagyam of visiting Immavu, Hedathale, Sosale and Sri Rangarajapuram and Bannur etc. This time I had the opportunity to see the new Dwajassthambam which swami had got installed recently. Since I had visited the Thirumaligai of Guru Bhagavan Sri Ranga Maha Guru only once; I made it a point to visit the Thirumaligai (House) again as Geetha also had not seen it. We both had a very divine experience at Sri Narasimhan Sannidhi of Hedathale.

Now I am coming back to Swami's lecture. Swami informed that all moorthies were very powerful ones. The specialty of Hedathale Temple is, it is a peedaa pariharam, roga pariharam and paapa pariharam kshetram.

Even though Srikantha a.k.a Lakshmikantha Perumal is main deity in this Thrikootachala temple, SrI Lakshminarasimhan moorthy is prayed here. Swamy told that the moorthy is beautiful, seated in a majestic pose. Swamy told a great Gyani visited this place and meditated in SrI Lakshminarasimhan sannidhi and felt a very good vibration. Then another great Gyani came and prayed and blessed that whoever comes to this place let them get SrEyas, get peedaa pariharam, nivarthi etc.

Then Swamy narrated an incident which took place 5/6 months back. He told that Ashram's Sri Karyam Swamy Sri Antharangan's Athimber (Brother in Law) and Akka (Sister) were staying in Goa; they are working in Defence (Public sector). Sri Karyam's Athimber was suffering from some ailment. He was admitted in a famous Hospital in Bangalore, for one week they treated him but could not cure him and they discharged him. The hospital was a famous hospital in Bangalore. Sri Antharangan swami and his sister were worried, that though this hospital is famous, the suffering of the patient could not be mitigated and they were very much disappointed. Somebody suggested that they can take him to Rishikesh, to a great yogi there, who can cure him. The patient's condition was he could not walk continuously for long. How to take him to Rishikesh, and the patient was also mentally weak. Then on suggestion of SwAmiji; they took him to Hedathale by van with a great difficulty. Then Sri Narayan Mama opened the temple, they prayed to Srikantha Perumal, Venugopala and Lakshminarasimhan. Then as suggested by Swamiji Sri Anantharangan Swami told his Athimber



U.Ve Anantharangan Swamy with Asmath Acharyan during Current year Chathurmasya Sangalpam

that for next one and a half hours he has to sit in the Narasimhan Sannidhi looking at the Idol without closing the eyes and also try to look into the eyes of Sri Lakshminarasimha Perumal, then they closed the temple door and others went off leaving the person all alone in the temple. Then after one and half hours they opened the door, to their surprise the patient's face was glowing, lot of relief in his face, and to cap it all he was able to walk freely

by himself (His condition when he entered the temple was that Sriman Anantharangan Swami and NArayan Mama had to hold him and bring him inside the temple). It is a miracle! Such is the sanidhyam of the Lakshminarasimhan. (I want to add my two cents of humble thoughts here - it is no doubt that Perumal is very powerful, for He has given us two great noble souls like Sri Ranga Maha Guru - a great Yogi; My Acharyans Guru - and Asmath Acharyan Sri Rangapriya Swamiji who is another great Yogi. SwAmiji is practicing Ashtanga Yogi. You all will say that the Yoga Shastras were lost with Srimath Nathamuni and Kurvaikavalpiran, but I will say that in Karnataka still the Yoga Shastras are prevalent. You can reach Perumal through yoga marga also but it is very difficult and so only we seek Perumals Sri Padam through Prappatti). Then I informed Swamiji that Narayan Bhattar mama had told me and Geetha during our visit that this Lakshminarasimha is very powerful and we should see the eyes of the deity and meditate for some time and we will feel the vibration of the power, since at that time we were short of time, we could not follow Sri Narayan mama's instruction. Then Swamiji with preethi and vathsalyam told that we can join Swamiji when he visits Hedathale and stay overnight. A true karunamoorthy, I am fortunate to be his sishya.

Then Swamiji continued and started narrating about the Jeernodharna of this ancient temple. Swami told it was the favorite temple of the Maha Acharyan Sri Ranga Maha Guru. Swamiji told that temple fully collapsed due to lack of proper care and maintenance. But luckily they could preserve the old Moola and Usthava Moorthies safely. Nobody used to go there except Sri Narayan mama; snakes and other creatures had a field day. One day Narayan Mama had gone to perform Aradhanai of Perumal, in Narasimhan sannidhi instead of original Adisesha, a live Adisesha was performing the duty to lord by forming an umbrella on his head! (This Adisesha used to giving flying visit now and then, and vanish in the Vimanam ceiling.) Then Narayan mama prayed to Adisesha and he went off to his abode at top. Narayan mama used to encounter our Adisesha now and then. (You should see how swami conveyed this incident and you will love to watch the facial expression of Swamy). Swami told there was a small



*opening in the top of Narasimha Sannidhi Vimanam and the officiating Adishesha of Hedathale*



Dharmasthala Veerendra Hegde Avru

*was living there until two months back!! So you can imagine how he would have roamed, when temple was in dilapidated condition. Then ball was set rolling for Jeernodharna Kainkaryam. Then the Dharmasthala Veerendra Hegde came into the picture. He is one of the great philanthropists. He came and saw the temple and told this temple deserves fund for Jeernodharna. The trust is doing a wonderful Kainkaryam in restoring old temples in Karnataka irrespective of whether it is a Shiva or Vishnu temple. Some of the Vishnu Temples I know*

*are: 1) Heragu Keerthi Narayana temple, 2)Shanthigrama Sowmiya Keshava Temple (incidentally my father in law hails from Madayannur - Shanthigrama.), 3) Keshava temple in*

*Kaidala (Birth place of Amara Shilpi Jakanachaya (great sculptor of Karnataka who sculpted Belur and Halebedu temples) 4) Keshava temple in Annekere etc .*

*The Hegadde's trust had a condition to the kaimkaryam, told they will foot half the cost of the total project, the other half has to be borne by the locals. This condition was to ensure that the*



Sri Venu Srinivasan - TVS Group



Sri Gopal Srinivasan - TVS Group



locals would have proper responsibility and not let the Temple suffer again if all the money came from the Trust itself. So if half the amount is put forth by the locals, then they will be responsible for maintenance in future. But it was little tough as majority of them were poor, they requested Hegadde to help, but he told rule cannot be broken. Then Perumal knows how to get his kainkaryam done. So at that time Sri Venu Srinivasan M D of TVS

Motors, his brother Sri Gopal Srinivasan M D of TVS Electronics ,had come to meet Swamiji, Then Swami conveyed the matter, Sri Gopal readily agreed. He told let Heggade do whatever possible, they will do the remaining work. Then Kainkaryam was in full swing. Then somebody from Archeological department arrived on the scene (Probably somebody had informed them that lot of money is collected and the work is going on full swing and let Archeological department also get some credit! . Archeological department officials told the temple is under Archeological department control and whenever the funds are available with them they will get the work done. Then they wrote letter to Hegadde that his trust could not work on the temple structure etc. Then the work stopped for some time. Everybody became crestfallen. Then Sri Bharath (He was the IAS officer and Karnataka's Election commissioner), who is a disciple of Swamiji came into picture. He told that though this did not come under the



purview of his department, he will get in touch with necessary people and see what could be done. Sri Bharath then went and made the request to the people concerned and lo and behold the permission came next day itself! This is the leela of Srikantha Perumal! The government sent a letter to Archeological department that the old order is rescinded; probably government

thought that it is maha papam to stop the work. Government told only one thing that the





H H Rangapriya Maha Desikan

*structure should not be disturbed and all Shila shasanas should not be altered. People agreed and work resumed in full swing. Then Sri Gopal Srinivasan visited Hedathale and he was very happy about the progress of the work. One Shri Sheshadri who was in TVS told that having a*

compound to protect the structure to prevent the entry of cattle and unscrupulous elements would be better. Then he conveyed this to Swamiji, Venu and Gopal Srinivasan. Both brothers told they will shoulder the responsibility of this Kainkaryam of constructing the Compound wall. (I pray GOD in this Kali Yuga let their tribe increase to do seva to GOD). Their kainkaryam to Hedathale Temple did not stop here, Somebody told there should be a Madapalli (pakashala) and it should not have pipe water, only well water should be used in Madapalli. Then immediately Sriman Venu and Gopal came forward and finished the task of building a pakashala and also a well. Then everyone was very happy, but after every good thing some trouble also should be there. There was a building which housed the Village Panchayat inside the Temple. While building the compound TVS people faced a hurdle, the Panchayat building was obstructing while building compound, but the Panchayat did not agree to demolish the building. Then one day the locals planned something whether it is good or bad GOD only knows and everything happens for good only. The Head of Panchayat was floating in the air after consuming the Somabanam. He was in high spirit and promised to do anything for GODS sake. Then in the night he came near temple and told please demolish the Panchayat building and top of it he himself personally supervised the same. Then some villain should be there in every village, here also those persons complained to Government and Police. Then police came for enquiry. Then Police started the enquiry. Then started the investigation, they dug the revenue record of temple, to know extent of temple land holdings, when Panchayat building came up inside the temple etc. Then after careful examination of revenue records Police and Government came to conclusion that Panchayat building had illegally come up inside the temple. Panchayat had misappropriated the temple land. Then Government concluded that it was good that that building was demolished. Then Government also told that the Temple can claim some more land because there was a tank where Perumal after Vasanthousthavam had Theerthavari and also Thepoushtavam was held. Now the same place has become a main road. Then all thanked Sri Venu Srinivasan, for which Sri Venu Srinivasan told he had not done anything, and it was GOD's will that things got on smoothly. Then he quoted a Tamil Proverb "Vellathu Pillayaruku avaraye Killi Neyvedhyam Seythar" (Meaning is A Ganesha Made of Jaggery is there and for Neyvedya (PrasAda) they pinched off a portion of the jaggery murthy and offered it as Prasadam). Sri Venu Srinivasan is such a simple person and with all humility he told it is GOD's property and we have restored it back to him. He also remarked that everyone gets the temple work done through them and then after work is done they are not given any updates, but Hedathale temple is the only place from where for every function or festival they gets invitations without fail. Such love and affection the Sthalthars (Locals) of Hedathale show (One thing I have personally observed in Melnadu; my Karma Bhoomi - Modern day Karnataka - is that irrespective of caste and creed hospitality is highest, unlike Tamil Nadu - Sorry for my outburst. My personal experience here in Melnadu



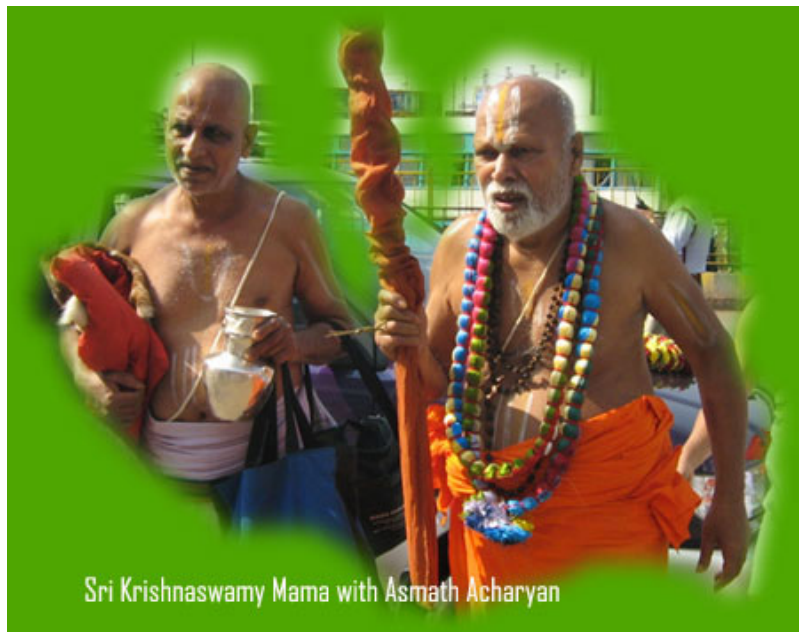
S.Parthasarathi Ayyangar , ML, IP  
former Commissioner of Police ,  
(Then Madras Presidency)  
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Sri.T V Sundaram Iyengar  
Founder of T V S Empire

is whether you are known to them or not, they will offer water, milk etc to even unknown guests. In Tamil Nadu they will not even ask whether you need water or not.) Then swami recollected that once Sri Gopal Srinivasan had come, he spoke in English, but local can understand

neither English nor Tamil, then his wife translated it in Kannada which locals appreciated. I would like to add two cents of mine once again please bear with me. It will not be out of place to mention that my Late Uncle S. Parthasarathi Ayyangar, ML IP, Former Commissioner of Police - Madras Presidency and Inspector General of Police was a good friend of Founder of TVS group Sriman Sundaram Iyengar. And long back I had approached Sriman Gopal Srinivasan for some official help with a small self introductory letter and to my surprise he instructed the concerned to do the needful.

Swami also recollected that Maha guru/Guru Bhagavan had told that Temple will improve like anything long back. He was a Sathpurusha and what a Sathpurusha tells; it will happen. Swami told some Sathpurusha are equivalent to Maharishi's of yester years. What they predict it happens.



Sri Krishnaswamy Mama with Asmath Acharyan



*I would like to add my divine experience which I had on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2009. If I narrate you will start laughing. We reached Hedathale around 5.30 PM (Due to rains). Archakar NArayan Mama greeted us and told he was wondering why we have come late (I had telephoned in the morning itself). He was in Pakashala preparing Maha PrasAda as some local person was doing Usthavam to Perumal. He told, he will prepare the Prasadam and take us to our Guru Bhagavan Sri Ranga Maha Guru's Thirumaligai, and also temple. Then after preparing the PrasAda NArayan Mama took us to Maha Guru's Thirumaligai (I took snap from outside, then*



Sri Lakshminarasimha Perumal

*went inside and saw the Thirumaligai, the caretaker of Thirumaligai showed me the place where Sadguru used to meditate etc. I considered myself fortunate to visit the place where a Great Soul lived.) Then we came back to Temple went to Srikantha Perumal Sannidhi, NArayan Mama's Friend and his family had come and some locals. NArayan mama was doing Archanai, Geetha and I went to the sannidhi of Lakshminarasimhan and meditated looking at the eyes of Lord as instructed by NArayan mama. After 10 minutes I felt lord's eyes are open and looking at me, I was stunned for a moment. Then Geetha also told me the same thing to me, but for her it was only one eye (Right); for me it was both eyes. I thought it was a Brahmai, but it happened to Geetha also. Now I know there is some vibration in Hedathale Lakshminarasimhan Sannidhi I could not ask Acharyan till date about this,*

*but I will ask Acharyan and let you all also know about my experience.*

*Sri Krishnaswami Mama (Retired Officer of Indian Postal Department) who assists Swami during Puja etc told lot of people are benefited by visiting Hedathale Lakshminarasimha Sannidhi. Please pay visit to this Divya Kshetram of Melnadu.*

*For some more Pictures of temple follow the link*

*<http://www.pbase.com/svami/hedathale>*

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*Dasan*

*Lakshminarasimhan Sridhar*