

# The Biggest Mahayajna Kerala Has Ever Seen

## പാലക്കടവ് അഹലിയാ atharva veda bhaishajya yajna

2021 April 17 to 21

**Yajnavedi: Ahalia Heritage Village, Ahalia Campus, Palakkad**

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Go forward without diseases

An Atharva Veda Bhaishajya Yajna is to be held at the Ahalia Campus, Palakkad, from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, 2021. Holding fast to the principle of keeping the causes of diseases at bay, the Atharva Veda Bhaishajya Yajna, a powerful five-day Yajna, is to be performed at the Ahalia campus. This yajna is being performed for the first time in Kerala.

The Vedas, a precious inheritance that gives India the status of a teacher among nations, are four in number: Rig Veda, Yajur Veda, Sama Veda, and Atharva Veda. Great teachers from Veda Vyasa to Adi Shankara say that the Vedas are a pathway to the realisation of the Lord. Among the four Vedas, Atharva is the Veda that deals with protection. The protection of nature, of agriculture, of the environment, against physical and mental ills, of the country itself, are dealt with by the Atharva Veda. Ayurveda, a part of the Indian way of life, originated from the Atharva Veda.

The Atharva Veda speaks of a number of medicinal plants and their uses. Some of the rituals prescribed in the Atharva Veda have been performed for centuries, and show us that at certain junctures, medicines and herbs were offered for the propitiation of gods. When the power of medicines and of nature against pestilences and diseases weaken, illnesses enter human life, and the balance of nature is lost. The Atharva Veda Bhaishajya Yajna utilises the power of medicinal plants as prescribed in the Veda. These rare medicinal plants and herbs are offered to agni to propitiate the gods. Bhasham is a term meaning 'diseases.' Bhashajam is 'that which overcomes diseases.' It is for this that the Bhaishajya Yajna is performed, using the chants laid down in the Atharva Veda.

We most cordially invite you to be a part of the Atharva Veda Bhaishajya Yajnam that is happening within our serene campus.

***Pray . Participate . Serve.***

Chairman, Yajna Samiti  
**Dr. R.V.K. Varma**

Co-ordinator, Yajna Samiti  
**Njeralathu Harigovindan**

## What are the features of the Bhaishajya Yajna?

1. A homam with the recital of chants that increases the power of nature and medicines.
2. Medicinal preparations made from the plants detailed in the Atharva Veda will be served.
3. The yajna is performed using powerful medicinal plants which are offered to please the gods.
4. The mantras chanted are aimed at rejuvenating the body, the mind, and the intellect.
5. There will be Gharmam (Pravargyam) which is an agni kriya for the purification of air, water, and earth. The flames will rise to about thirty feet when this is performed. This will be performed thrice a day.
6. There will be special homams for devotees.
7. Annadanam.

## Ways to participate in the yajna:

1. Be present at the venue of the yajna and offer your prayers.
2. Experience the Atharva Veda rituals up close.
3. Participate in the special homams performed for propitiating the Ashwini devas, the physicians of the gods.
4. Go around the sacrificial fire and bow before the yajna deva.
5. Make special offerings for the blessings of the gods.
6. Contribute to the Annadanam.
7. Offer dakshina to the acharyas conducting the yajna and receive their blessings.
8. Volunteer to serve in various capacities at the venue.
9. Spread the news of the Bhaishajya Yajna to those who are unaware of it.
10. Students can pray for their success in life.

## Other activities associated with the Bhaishajya Yajna:

1. An exhibition on the Atharva Veda and Ayurveda.
2. Talks given by eminent scholars and teachers, on spiritual matters.
3. A five-day seminar on health, medicine, and the Atharva Veda.
4. Demonstrations on how to recite the Vedas.
5. An exhibition and sale of books published in Sanskrit and Malayalam by noted publishers of books about spirituality and ancient knowledge.
6. An exhibition and sale of medicinal plants.
7. Cultural gatherings involving well-known artistes.

# The unique offering in Yajnam NEYKUDAM SAMARPANAM

A unique ritualistic offering that is part of this yajnam is the **Neykudam Samarpanam**, an oblation of ghee to the gods. In this, the devotee has the opportunity to offer ghee to the sacred fire by themselves.



Yajnam Anugraha Peedom  
**Thekkemadom Mooppil Swamiyar**

Yajnacharyar  
**Vedamoorthi Sreedhar Adi**

Yajnam Yajamanan  
**Shree V.S. Ramsingh**

The **YAJNA RATHA YATRA** will take place from 13-16 April in and around Palakkad, and culminates at 5 pm on 16 April in the **Ahalia Heritage Village**.

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