

MAYAPUR UPDATE

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Gour-Nitai in Srila Prabhupada's Bhajan Kutir



Srila Prabhupada's Samadhi Mandir

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The extension to the Pancha-tattva temple room and new entrance to the temple is fast nearing completion.

It is hoped that the work will be completed by the end of December 2003.

The second floor will have a diorama display and the whole structure will be topped by five domes.



Front view of new entrance





second floor



first floor

staircase leading to the 2nd floor



Pancha-tattva's
temple room
has been turned
into a construc-
tion site





View of the Pancha-tattva's altar from the second floor of the new structure



above and side:

The dividing wall between the temple room and the new structure is being ripped down.



Sankaspada Mataji *has been living in Mayapur for a few years.*



She is a very humble devotee, very fond of distributing Srila Prabhupada's books and preaching to the visitors. She always has some books with her and wherever she is going, she always tries to speak to people and get them to buy a book. She is also washing and ironing Srila Prabhupada's clothes daily.



Devotees listening to Srimad Bhagavatam class



Since we have had the new electrical line and substation not only are the electrical bills reduced, but also there is much less disturbance in the electrical supply. In other words in the Grihastha area we are getting more electricity and paying less. This is also benefiting the rest of our Mayapur project as there is less load on the original line. Thus all around there is more electricity.

"The new substation has a 100 KVA transformer and has two incoming 11 KVA lines coming from Dhubulyia and Navadwip. We have a special interlink facility here using which we are able to switch between the two lines. When the Navadwip line gets cut off we switch over to the Dhubulyia line and vice versa. The main advantage of setting up this additional substation is reduced electricity tariff. Although since our consumption is high we are not paying as little as the common man maybe paying, but still we are saving almost 2 rupees per unit as we are not charged high electricity duty, etc. Thanks to this lower cost recently we have been able to reduce the unit rate by 2 rupees for certain areas and we plan to gradually obtain permission to extend this line to other areas."

Your servant, **Bhadra Balaram Das**

Bhadra Balaram Prabhu

is in-charge of our Mayapur Electricity Department



PRASADAM HALL EXTENSION



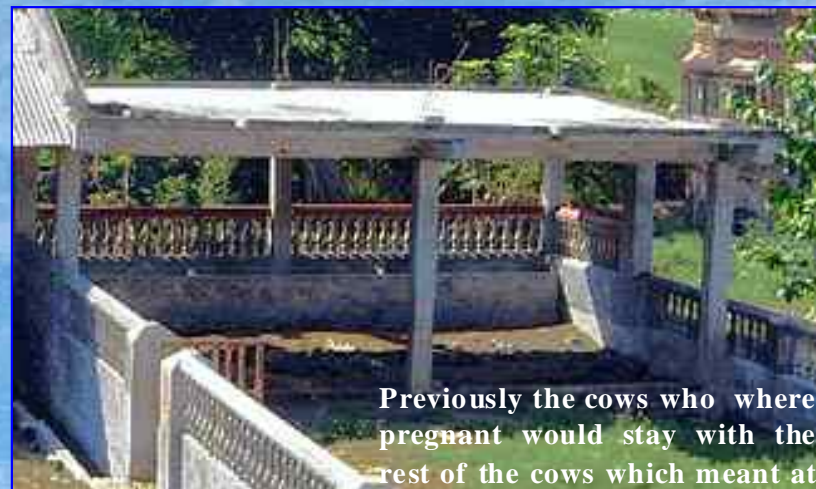
Gada Bhavan

The new extension to the Gada Bhavan Prasad Hall will be finished well before the Goura Purnima Festival. Thousands of pilgrims are taking prasadam every week here, thus the necessity for the extension. Not only are the pilgrims taking prasadam here, but also our second Prasad Hall near the Samadhi is regularly packed on festival days.

MAYAPUR GOSHALA



Cow food is stored safely on the second floor of the cowshed. All the grass needed is grown in our own fields.



Previously the cows who were pregnant would stay with the rest of the cows which meant at the time of giving birth they would be cramped up and quite often get pushed and banged by other cows now with new delivery room they have plenty of space this also makes it easier for the doctor to attend them.



Goshala products for sale: distilled cow urine (go-ark), bottled in 50 ml and 30 ml bottles; tooth powder, made of cow-dang ash and herbs; digestive medicine, made by devotees in Goshala, contains haritaki soaked in cow urine along with other helpful herbs.

