

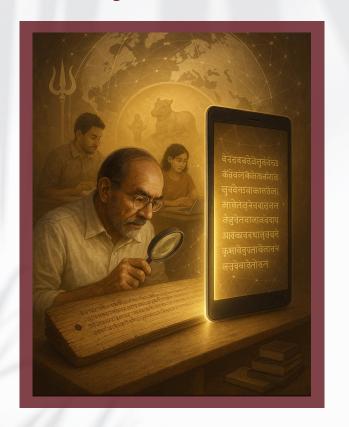


PROJECT MAHESA

Project MAHEŚA is about protecting, publishing, and making Agama knowledge globally accessible through digitization, research, and training.

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Manuscript Analysis, Historical Editing, and Agamas Advancement



A five-year initiative by Prachara Seva Foundation, a non-religious unit of Saiva Shastra Prachara Sabha, Sivaagama Trust. We are dedicated to preserving, editing, and propagating the ancient Agama texts. These texts form the philosophical and ritual foundation of Śaivism, but most remain unpublished, scattered, or in fragile palm-leaf manuscripts.

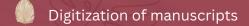


OBJECTIVES



To recover the remaining 90% of Agama manuscripts still unrevealed from ancient collections

METHODOLOGY



Preparing critical editions & peer reviews.

Workshops, conferences & online dissemination.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Published editions with commentary.
- Cataloging saivagama manuscripts around the world
- Skilled scholars in Saiva studies.
 - Cultural preservation for future generations.



WHY IT MATTERS

Project MAHEŚA preserves 28 Mūlāgamas and 207 Upāgamas, safeguarding Ancient Bharat's wisdom, science, and heritage keeping this priceless legacy alive and relevant worldwide.



ĀGAMAS – ANCIENT TESTIMONIES OF INDIA'S KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS

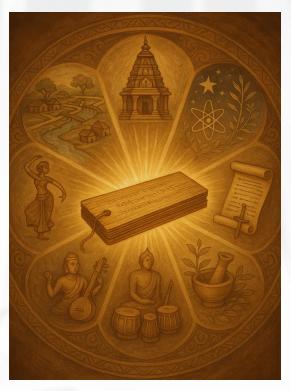


When we speak of India's intellectual heritage, the great epics such as the Rāmāyaṇa and Mahābhārata are often mentioned. Yet, these were not merely stories but texts that demonstrated how principles of life, governance, science, and culture—explained in the foundational knowledge systems—were put into practice. These foundations are found in the Āgamas, a vast body of manuscripts that serve as an encyclopedia of ancient Bharat's civilizational knowledge.





The Agamas-28 principal and 207 supplementary texts-are ancient technical and cultural manuals detailing every aspect of life and society beyond ritual practices.



Scope of the **Āgamas**

The Agamas are the earliest multi-disciplinary knowledge frameworks in human history. They cover subjects such as...



Urban & Rural Planning



Medicine & Health



Architecture & Engineering



Arts & Aesthetics



Science & Technology



Governance & Administration



Water management



and many more hidden tressures...

THE CURRENT STATE OF ĀGAMAS

While the Vedas are relatively well-preserved and studied, the Āgamas remain largely unexplored manuscripts, scattered in palm-leaf form across archives in India and abroad.

- Out of the 28 principal texts and 207 supplementary works, only a handful have been critically studied and published.
- The majority are still locked away in fragile manuscript form, vulnerable to decay and loss.
- This creates an urgent need to digitize, critically edit, and publish them for researchers, students, and the public.







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VOLUNTEERING WITH PSF



Be a Guardian of Knowledge

Join hands with Prachara Seva
Foundation in reviving the Āgamas and
preserving India's manuscript legacy.
Your time and skills can play a crucial role
in this divine mission

Ways to Volunteer

Research Support – Assist in courses and programs, content development

Awareness Outreach – Conduct sessions in schools, colleges, and communities to spread Agama knowledge.

Event Support – Be part of seminars, workshops, and conferences that connect people with our tradition

Volunteering is not just service- it is seva that transcends thousands of millenniums.

Volunteer Benefits

- Gain direct exposure to rare manuscripts and cultural research.
- Learn from senior scholars and researchers
- Receive certificates of contribution and recognition.
- Be part of a living legacy that shapes India's cultural future.
 - Project MAHEŚA bridges this gap by preserving the forgotten practical notes, making them accessible for the world.



PROJECT MAHEŚA

Execution Roadmap & Budget Outline



Prachara Seva Foundation of SSPS – Project Owner



French Institute of Pondicherry – Project Host



People Behind It

1 Principal Investigator (PI)



2 Co-Principal Investigators

Total: 24 Members



6 Collators



15 Data Entry Scholars

Manuscript Timeline

• Phase I (Apr-Dec 2025): Data Collection (cataloging

Data Collection (cataloging manuscripts)

• Phase II (2026-2030):

Text Preparation, Collation & Critical Editions



Salaries & Overheads

₹5.28 Cr



₹1.95 Cr

Equipment &Other Costs

Total Duration: 5 years 9 months

Total Requirement: 7.2 Cr.

IMPACT, OUTCOMES & CSR CALL



✓ Project MAHEŚA at a Glance

- Manuscripts Identified: 2,500 (as of today)
- Global Segregation: Locating & classifying texts worldwide
- Researchers: 25 active experts
- **§** Fund Requirement: ₹ 7.2 Crores (total project budget)

"Your support is not just funding — it is building a bridge from Ancient Bharat to Future Generations."

Donate & Support Project Maheśa

Reserve the Scriptures. Protect the Tradition. Empower the Future. By supporting Project Maheśa, you are not just donating money.

You are offering a brick in taking the original ancient knowledge to the current generation and beyond

Why Donate?

- Scripture Preservation Your support helps digitise and critically edit unpublished Agama manuscripts.
- Scholar Training Empower the next generation of Agama scholars through workshops and scholarships.
- Cultural Revival Sustain rituals, temple traditions, and dharmic practices rooted in the Agamas.
- Global Access Enable digital platforms so this wisdom reaches seekers worldwide.

Donor Benefits

80G Tax Exemption - All contributions qualify under Income Tax Act, 1961.

Recognition & Gratitude - Special invites to lectures, cultural events, and annual meets.



Prachara Seva Foundation strives to bring the ancient, intelligent Indian way of life and its higher principles to the world.
The Āgamas (Technical & Sacred Manuscripts)—the foundation and inspiration for new technologies—are being brought out through critical editions from the manuscripts.

Just as India has been a pioneer for thousands of years in fields like Yoga, Ayurveda, Siddha medicine, mathematics, and architecture—offering humanity a harmonized way of life—our foundation is making a dedicated effort to reveal this treasury of the Āgamas with evidence.

Theory Vedas = Theory

- Foundation of Ancient Bharat's knowledge
- Universal truths & guiding principles
- Vision that shaped civilizations.

Practice

Āgamas = Practice

- Practical manuals of applied science
- Cover temple architecture, arts, rituals, town planning, lifestyle
- Bring theory into daily living

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