

Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts
Regional Centre, Puducherry

Title:

AI Live Document Digitization: **A Renascent Vaishnavite and Saivite Traditional Hymnal Songs' Chanting in the month of Margazhi**

Date: 5th to 14 January, 2021

Venue: Temples in and around Puducherry

Time: Morning 5.30 am to 6.30 am- for 10 days,

Concept:

The Vaishnavite Traditional Hymnal Songs Chanting has been continuously performed from the 8th century onwards performed in the month of Margazhi, the augustly auspicious month of Magazhi a Devotional Songs chanting, till the present century by the Devotees of Vashnavism and Saivism. This chanting normally commences from the temple in the selected place of performance on the particular day followed by the traditional practice of circumambulation of village/ town and ends at the same temple after reciting *Namasangeerthanams* (songs) for about one hour.

On behalf of handing over this documented package of the above to the forth coming generations to get imbibed with the spirit of devotional consciousness and promulgate the same with devotional consciousness through our IGNCA to all.

The Puducherry Regional Centre feels that Digitalizing the above auspicious Traditional Hymns not only preserve the knowledge and the spirit of our Hindu Culture but also the time-honoured essence Tamil literary heritage. Further it will pave way for awakening the Spirit and Consciousness of the present younger generation.

This chanting program will be performed in the Temples in and around the Puducherry and time will be in the morning between 5.30 am to 6.30 am for ten days. Besides, the organiser will abide with all the necessary precautions to avoid Corona Pandemic.
