

Dr. Rangan Ramakrishnan



Spiritual and Vedic Guru | Ramayana Exponent |
Educationalist | Vedic Gurukulam | Founder and Teacher |
Sanskrit Scholar | Cultural Value Propagator | Poet | Author
| Philosopher | Yoga Master | Discoverer of the Dharma
Model [Patent L-56986/2013]

“Dr. Rangan teaches the essence of Dharma and the true vision of Dharmic life ...in a wonderful and engaging way...reawakening the soul of India in the modern age.”

– **Dr. David Frawley, Founder,**
American Institute of Vedic Studies

“Shri Ranganji has lived and experienced each verse and has touched the heart of the sage Valmiki. Hence, he is unlike those scholars who hold research alone as their focus of studies and who would have read the Ramayana only for the limited sake of their research.”

– **Shri Ramanacharana Thirtha swami**
Acharya of Vedānta sampradāya

“Dr. Rangan has taken upon himself the Bhagirathic task of taking Ramayana into all the people without in anyway diminishing or diluting its values.

With Dr. Rangan the deep scholarship of traditional texts along with a vast knowledge of modern narratives, becomes an instrument of Bhakti that in no way compromises the academic rigor. Scholar-saints soaked in Bhakti and traditional wisdom while being aware of modern narratives are rare. Dr. Rangan is one such precious scholar of wisdom. Today with Indian renaissance happening in many fields, the importance of such persons cannot be.

– **Shri Aravindan Neelakandan**
Swarajya – Editor

Education

2009 – **Doctor of Philosophy** (Ph. D.) in Yoga and Education
SVYASA Yoga University, Bengaluru, India.

2004 – **Management Degree in Personnel Management and Industrial Relations**
Symbiosis Institute of Management, Pune, India.

2000 – **Master of Arts in English Literature**
Bharathidasan University, Tamil Nādu, India.

2000 – **Vedanta (Prasthanā thraya with Shankara Bhashya)**
from Sri Sivaramakrishna Shastrigal, Tamil Nādu, India.

1997 – **Sahitya (Chandraloka with Kuvalayananda) & Vyakarana**
from Vedanta Desika Bhavanam, Srirangam, Tamil Nādu, India.

Roles and Leadership

FOUNDER PRESIDENT, WEBOLIM (Web of Life Makers) Trust 1998 – Till date

A global movement spanning multiple continents and thousands of followers. Vedic workshops and personality development programs synthesize Indian philosophies and values to spread the Vedic consciousness and knowledge for all, under a single umbrella.

WEBOLIM's components include:

SHRUTI RAM GURUKULAM, Bangalore, India. 2014 – Till date

Charitable School of Vedic Studies that include Veda (Rig, Yajus, Saman) (chanting and meaning), Yoga, Ramayana, and Sanskrit.

VIDYAVATI VEDA PATASHALA, Ayodhya, India. 2014 – Till date

Charitable School of Shukla Yajur Veda, Ramayana and Sanskrit.

SRIMAD VALMIKI ASHRAMA, Bengaluru, India.

2022 – Till date

A community of spiritual seekers and families of Vedic aspirants with diverse backgrounds to live a life guided by the Ramayana with complete access to Vedic education, Yoga, and Ramayana and an upcoming Goshala in the midst of the luscious and meditative Ragihalli forest area.

SITALAKSHMI GURUKULAM, Bengaluru, India.

2018 – Till date

Dr. Ranganji sculpts and develops tomorrow's leaders from a variegated background with no distinction on the caste and a deep focus on enhancing Vedic cognizance into the path of spirituality through Yoga, and Ramayana text.

The school also blends traditional education & modern studies with boarding and lodging facilities for both girls and boys, identifying their core competency areas and developing a goal to serve tomorrow's society's seemingly insurmountable challenges.

Honors and Titles

Doctor of Letters (D. Litt.)

SVYASA Yoga University, Bengaluru, India.

Conferred with the honor of significant contribution in literature, research and impactful writing.

"Rama Kathamrutha Varshi"

title conferred by the Hon'ble Thirukkuviloor Jeeyar – interpreted as the expert in down pouring the divine nectar of "Ramayana".

"Yoga Vidhya Varidhi" by Svyasa Yoga Vishwa Vidhyala

"Samanvayacharya" from Lakshmi Amma of Svyasa University

"Yogaarama" from Shri. Raghuramji

Founder and Guide to Yoga Bharati

"Ramayana Pravachana Virat"

from Shri Ramamoorthy Shrouthigal of Sringeri.

Research

- Effects of Yogic education system and modern education system on sustained attention ([July 2009-International Journal Of Yoga](#))
- Effects of Yogic education system and modern education system on memory ([February 2009- International Journal Of Yoga](#))
- Planning ability improves in a yogic education system ([February 2008-International Journal of Yoga](#))
- [Comparative study of the main teachings of Sanathana dharma and the doctrines of Christianity](#)
- [Yoga based Bhakti in Muthuswami Dikshitar's compositions](#) (Jan-Jun 2022 – KUTAP journal – a peer reviewed refereed International Journal – ISSN-2582-5356)
- A Study of Samples of Indian Classical Music as Emotional Valence – WISDOM speaks (Indian national forum of arts and culture) UGC care list, lingual multi-disciplinary peer reviewed journal – ISSN-2456-5121

Books and Publications

RIG VEDA BHASHYAM (Commentary) in 10 Volumes

“The task that cannot be easily accomplished by any other person”.

Pujyashri Shankara Vijayendra Shankarayacharya Swamiji – Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam.

“Your contemplation on Rig Veda has got fulfilled”.

Jagadguru Bharati Thirtha Mahaswami –Sharada Peetam Sringeri

“May this type of commentary emerge for other Vedas as well”.

Ahobila Mutt Jeeyar Swami

“In this commentary due to the style of the simplicity of the explanation of every word, the purport sparks effortlessly; here and there spiritual tone also is conveyed.”

Vyasa Raja Mutt Swamigal

THE RAMAYANA OF VALMIKI in 10 Volumes (The original text & translation with research)

“...is the extensive analysis of various recensions available for Valmiki across India, which forms the seventh volume of this well researched compendium.”

– Dr. Ramachandra G. Bhat, (Kotemane)

*Chairman, Veda Vijnana Shodha Samsthanam, Bengaluru,
Vice Chancellor, Svyasa Yoga University, Bengaluru, INDIA*

WHAT IS DHARMA?

A book that deciphers various dimensions of Dharma (Righteousness) serving as the backbone to interpret all ancient Vedic texts.

"...Through the pages of this volume, the author takes us on a smooth ride into the meaningful verses of the Vedas and Upanishad and into the beautiful select verses of Ramayanam."

– Shri. S. Ramachandran, I.A.S

THE VEDA MY PASSION

A synthesis of Dhvani Deepika, this book portrays the viewpoint of various Hindu schools regarding the Vedas' authenticity and archetypal nature.

DARSHAN – *The True Vision of Dharmic Life*

"Sri Angiras (pen name of Dr. Rangan) teaches the essence of Dharma and the true vision of Dharmic life ...in a wonderful and engaging way...reawakening the soul of India in the modern age."

– Dr. David Frawley, Founder, American Institute of Vedic Studies

BLISS – *The ninth cycle of Rig Veda (a translation)*

"This book has many deep insights through one can go to spiritual ecstasy in one's life making the whole life a divine sadhana".

– Sri. T. Mohan, Registrar of Svyasa, –Yoga University, Bangalore, INDIA

MARAYIN MARAIPORUL – Tamil translation of selected Vedic verses

TOZHIL DHARMAM

A Tamil book on professional righteousness with the values and concepts brewed from the spiritual texts of Vedas and Ramayana.

CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL HISTORY OF INDIA

"The work of Rangan is so remarkable in its comprehensive presentation of what identified and defines a nation like Bharatam, many schools may like to use the work as a textbook to teach about core cultural values.

– Sri. S. Kalyanaraman,
PhD. Director, Saraswati Research Centre, National President,
Rameshwaram Rama Setu Protection Movement

RAMAGANAMRUTHAM

A musical treat of the story of Rama.

RAMAYANA INSIGHT – 1

“This book brings out the Dharma-core of Shri Rama must read for every devotee of Shri Rama and also for every student of Indian culture. Darwin is freed of social Darwinist slur and made into a visionary for embracing all life as one family through Valmiki.”

– . Shri Aravindan Neelakandan, Senior Journalist

UTTARA RAMAYANA?

“No doubt this book will be a torch bearer in the history of India. With the light shed by this book, one’s doubts about the Ramayana will vanish. This book will enhance one’s devotion to Valmiki Ramayana, it is packed with such evidence. Indians are indebted to Shri Ranganji throughout their lifetime for the amount of positive outlook this book is going to bring to the Indian society.”

Shri MA. Venkatesan
chairperson of the SAFAI karmachari commission of India

SRIRAMASAHASRANAAMAVALI

– A garland of 1008 names of Sri Rama, Sita Rama yugala sharasranamavali; Ayodhya ashtothrashatanamavali; Hanumath vachanodrutha Sri Ramashrotra Shata namavali; Sita vachanodrutha Sri Ramshtotra shatanamavali; Brathruvachanodrutha Sriramashtrotra shatanamavali; Hanumath vachanodrutha Sitashtrotra Shata namavali; Hanumath vachanodrutha Sitarama yugalashtotra Shata namavali; Sri Hanumanthashotra Shata namavali: as derived from the verses of Srimad Valmiki Ramayana, in Sanskrit and Tamil prints side by side.

Other roles and activities

PRAVACHANA KARTHA – SPIRITUAL DISCOURSER

1999 – Till date

Dr. Ranganji delivers discourses on the Vedas, the Upanishads, the Ramayana, the Gita, the Mahabharata, and Yoga sutras, traveling across the globe. ([YouTube](#))

VISITING PROFESSOR –Yoga and Vedanta at SVYASA YOGA UNIVERSITY

Teaches Patanjali's Yoga sutra, the Gita, the Ramayana and the Mahabharata. He guides Ph.D. candidates.

EDITORIAL AND JOURNALING ACTIVITIES:

Author articles on various magazines and journals such as Yoga Sudha, Bhagavatha Dharmam, Amman Darshanam, Svadeshi, Tattvaloka etc. spanning various topics from the Ramayana, Mahabharata, Vedas, Vedanta and Yoga