

SRI VISHNU SAHASRANAAMA SATSANGAM
GUIDELINES FOR SAHASRANAAMA CHANTING (OTHER THAN IN TEMPLE)

1. All requests for chanting shall be done online only. Chanting shall be performed on the morning of First Sunday only and the duration shall be around 90 minutes.
2. For special occasions like birthday's, anniversaries, house warming ceremonies etc. the chanting can be organised on any day. In case that day is a public holiday, the timing can be fixed mutually. In case the day is a working day, the chanting can be performed only after 19:30 hrs.
3. Chanting shall be followed by Bhajans depending on the host's convenience. As far as possible the languages of the Bhajans shall be the same as the host's language.
4. In case the Host is a Society, obtaining required permissions shall be the responsibility of the host.
5. The purpose of organising the chanting is to propagate the Vishnu Sahasranaama stotram and other religious hymns / bhajans. Thus the SVSS regularly organises the Sahasranaama and other chanting / bhajans at the Temple Premises of Kalpak Mitra Mandal (B Wing), Antop Hill. Towards this purpose of propagating the Sahasranaamam it is suggested that the Host publicise sufficiently in advance about the Scheduled chanting in their premises to their neighbours, friends and relatives so as to get maximum participation.
6. The host shall have to pay a nominal amount as donation to the Satsangam. The amount is mentioned on the Satsangam website. Also the donations made by the devotees who come to the Chanting shall be handed over to the Satsangam. The monies thus collected shall go into the Corpus fund of the Satsangam.
7. Maha Prasadam is not expected to be served to the SVSS volunteers involved in the chanting. Prasadam shall be kept to the bare minimum. Bananas are an ideal prasadam.
8. The SVSS has in its custody a beautiful statue of Sri Maha Vishnu. All chantings organised by the Satsangam shall be performed before this statue of Maha Vishnu. The statue of Maha Vishnu shall be handed over to the host on the previous night to the day of chanting. The statue shall be taken back before sunset on the day of the chanting. For example, if the day of Chanting is on Saturday, the statue shall be delivered by the night of Friday and shall be taken back before sunset on Saturday.
9. Devotees desirous of organising the Sahasranamaa chanting and / or bhajans can send a email to chanting@svssmumbai.in giving the details of Date, Name, Address, Language of bhajans, time available for Bhajans, Occasion for Chanting etc. In case the date is available a confirmation will be sent or else the next available date will be intimated.
10. In case a devotee wishes to change the date of Chanting already confirmed, a notice of at least 3 days shall be given to the Satsangam. In case the devotee wishes to exchange the date with another devotee, it shall be done mutually without involving the Satsangam. However the final dates shall be informed to the Satsangam.