

Experiencing Swamy desikan



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Shrimate Shri Lakshmi Nrusimha Parabrahmane Namaha:

Shrimate Shri Seetha Ramachandra Parabrahmane Namaha:

Shrimate Shri Ramanujaya Namaha:

Shrimate Nigamantha Maha Desikaya Namaha:

Shrimate Shrivana Satagopa Shri Narayana Yateendra Mahadesikaya Namaha:

So, why is it that Venkatanatha is being addressed as Desika? What does Desika mean?

Well, Desika usually refers to an Acharya. This could be 'one who orders', 'guides' or 'an advisor'.

**In Sanskrit, the term
'DE' refers to Devanugraham;
'SI' refers to Sishyanugraham and
'KA' refers to Karuna.**

When these three letters are combined it results in 'DESIKA'. This is reflected in the following Sloka:

**“Devanugraha Dharidvaath Sishyaanugraha Kaaranath
Karunaamaya-roopathvath Desika: kathyathe Bhootai:”**

No wonder that the term 'Desika' is always used to refer our Swami only.

If you look for meanings for 'Desika' in Tamil, you get the following: a king, a beautiful person, a Guru, one who teaches Vedas, father etc. Only our Swami can fit all these definitions.

Swami Desika is an all-encompassing personality – he is the best. More importantly, he emanates the right waves.

Swami is a vedantin among vedantins;

a vidvan among vidvans;

poet among poets;

an acharya among acharyas;

an avatar among avatars;

a perfect personality and on the whole the greatest !

Our Lord's parathvam are characterised by six gunas, viz., Gnana, Sakthi, Bala, Iswarya, Veerya and Thejas.

Gnana of Swami Desikar is clear from 'Sarvagnyathvam Thatvamuktakalape'. Our Swami produced Padhukasahasram in one Yaama, which shows his Shakthi, we see our Swami's Balam when he refutes the doctrines of opponents. We can very clearly see the Richness when Swami establishes Vedanta on a firm basis

**Vishesha vitparishadheshu natha
Vidhaktha khoshti samarangeshu
Jigheeshatho me Kavitarikendran...**

By these, Veerya and Thejas can be observed.

Isn't it true that we enjoy our Lord in our Swami?!

Not only that, our Swami brings out the 'Desika' in all those who surrender.

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