



विधिवत

आपल्या देवतांना सन्मानपूर्वक आणि विधीपूर्वक निरोप

Ensuring your sacred belongings are disposed of in a way that honors tradition & supports sustainability



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Introduction

Religious items in Indian households hold deep emotional, cultural, and spiritual value. Idols, framed images of deities, sacred texts, and ritual objects are not just physical possessions; they represent devotion, tradition, and faith. When these items become damaged, worn out, or are no longer in use, their disposal must be handled with respect, proper rituals, and environmental responsibility.

The Vidhivat initiative was developed to address this sensitive requirement by providing a systematic, ritual-oriented, and environmentally responsible process for the respectful collection, ceremonial farewell, and recycling of religious materials. The project bridges traditional beliefs with modern sustainability practices, ensuring that sacred items complete their lifecycle with dignity and care.



Importance of Ritual-Based Disposal

Disposal of religious items is not a routine waste-management activity; it is a matter of spiritual closure. Improper disposal often causes emotional discomfort and is perceived as disrespectful. Vidhivat addresses this concern by following a culturally sensitive and transparent process that includes:

- Ritualistic farewell (Uttarpuja) conducted by a qualified Guruji
- Environmentally responsible recycling and reuse of materials
- Ethical handling, segregation, and processing of collected items

This approach provides peace of mind to citizens while promoting sustainable waste management.

We accept a wide range of religious items, excluding those made of Plaster of Paris or synthetic fiber:

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Accepted Religious Materials

- Idols & Frames made of clay, wood, metal, stone
- Sacred Texts like Bhagavad Gita, Ramayan, Pothis
- Ritual Objects like Rudraksha, Shaligram, Shankh, Kawdi
- Devotional Items like Mala, Gangajal, Devhare, Vastra

Each item is handled with utmost care, ensuring it receives a respectful farewell before being recycled or repurposed.

What Happens After Collection?

Every item collected undergoes a ritual of उत्तरपूजा at the venue itself, performed by experienced Gurujji. Only after this sacred farewell, the items sent for recycling or reuse, ensuring spiritual and environmental harmony.

A Final Thought

Disposing of religious items is not merely a routine activity—it is a spiritual responsibility. With Vidhivat, letting go becomes a respectful and meaningful process. It allows individuals and families to bid farewell to sacred objects with dignity while ensuring environmentally responsible practices. Join us in preserving tradition while embracing sustainability.

Samarth Bharat Vyaspeeth (SBV) is an NGO registered under the Indian Companies Act in 2017. Since its establishment, the organization has been actively engaged in various social and environmental initiatives, implementing impactful programs for community welfare. With the aim of addressing challenges such as waste management in Thane city and finding sustainable ways to utilize waste, the organization launched an initiative called "Project Revitalization."

As part of its mission to make Thane city free from pollution caused by dry waste, SBV partnered with the Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) and initiated an eco-friendly waste management project. Under this initiative, SBV established a processing unit at Kopri for the segregation, disposal, and recycling of waste materials. Flower waste collected through the project is converted into compost using environmentally friendly methods. In addition, Samarth Bharat has successfully implemented projects for converting garden waste into fuel as well as managing dry waste effectively.

The Vidhivat Project is an extension of these ongoing efforts, focusing specifically on the respectful and environmentally responsible disposal of religious materials.

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Collection Process & 'Uttarpuja'

Samarth Bharat Vyaspeeth and Vidhivat jointly visit the designated collection points as per the scheduled time. At these locations, various faith-based items reverently offered by citizens are collected, including:

- **Idols & Frames:** Clay, wood, metal, stone
- **Sacred Texts:** Bhagavad Gita, Ramayan, Pothis
- **Ritual Objects:** Rudraksha, Shaligram, Shankh, Kawdi
- **Devotional Items:** Mala, Gangajal, Devhare, Vastra

The entire collection process is conducted with full transparency, dignity, and sanctity. Each collected item is respectfully honored through an **Uttarpuja** ceremony performed at the site by an experienced Guruji, ensuring a traditional and reverent conclusion to its sacred use.

Only after the completion of the Uttarpuja are the items forwarded for recycling or reuse, thereby harmonizing spiritual values with environmental responsibility.



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February Month Collection Spots

Shri Ganesh Mandir Kandivali Drive



Borivali Drive



Uttar Puja –



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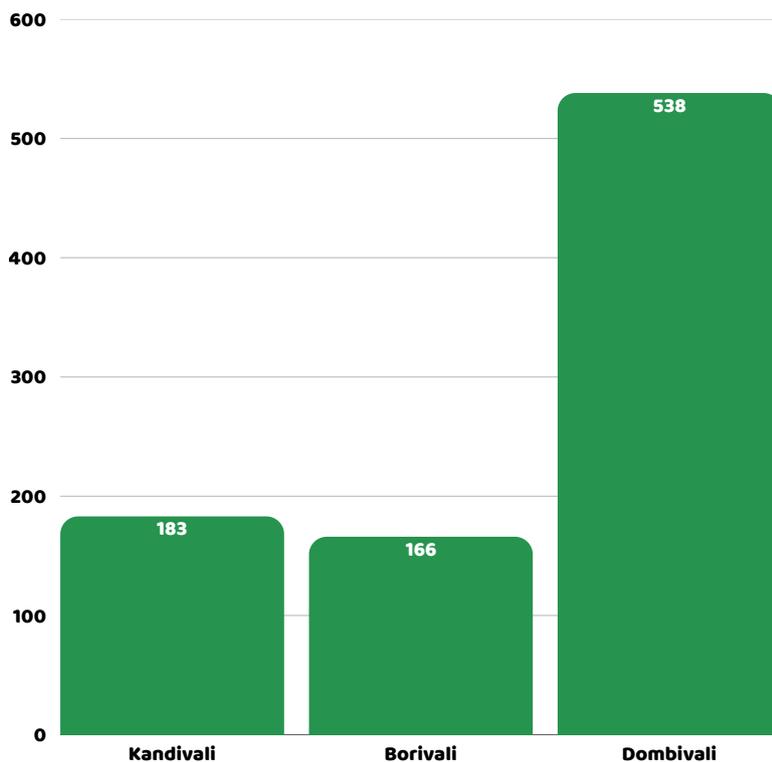
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Collection Statistics

Under the joint initiative of Samarth Bharat Vyaspeeth and Parivarthan Bharti Pvt. Ltd., the "Vidhivat" project regularly carries out the collection, segregation, and environmentally responsible recycling of religious materials. This report provides details of the materials received from the collection centers during the month of February, along with their classification and the quantities sent for recycling.

Sr. No	Date	Place	Weight (kg)
1	1-2-2026	Kandivali	183.1
2	8-2-2026	Borivali	166.03
3	22-2-2026	Dombivali	538.12
TOTAL			887.25 Kg



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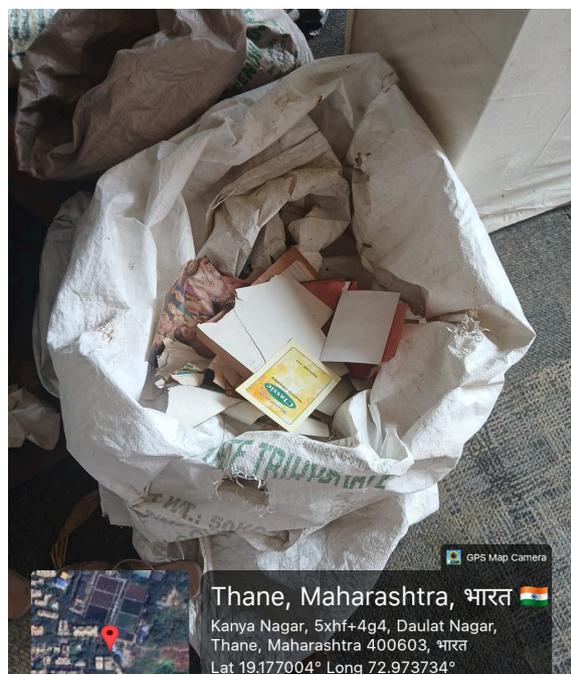
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Recycling Data – Monthly Summary

This systematic recycling process helped divert a considerable quantity of metal waste from landfills, supported resource recovery, and strengthened environmental sustainability efforts. The religious materials were first carefully sorted into categories including wood, glass, metal, and paper. Subsequently, each material type was transported to designated recycling facilities where it was processed and transformed into reusable products.



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Conclusion

In February 2026, a total of 887.25 kg of religious materials, including idols, framed images, and sacred scriptures, were collected and processed under the Vidhivat Project. The initiative facilitated a dignified ritual conclusion through Uttar Puja while ensuring eco-friendly recycling of the collected materials.

Through this effort, the project continues to bridge traditional values with sustainable practices, supporting environmental protection, improved cleanliness, and responsible management of religious waste.