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## Vidyarambam at Linga Bhairavi

**8 October 2019, Coimbatore:** Vidyarambam, a traditional ceremony which introduces young children into the process of learning was held at Linga Bhairavi today on Vijayadasami, the last day of Navratri. 120 children from nearby villages were initiated, 80 of whom were from tribal communities.

Vijayadasmi which marks the culmination of the 9-day Navratri festival is considered the day of victory. It symbolizes one's mastery over all dimensions of life. This was also the goal of education in ancient India. It is therefore considered auspicious to initiate children into learning on this day. Specifically, children taking up traditional performing arts such as music and dance are initiated into learning on Vijayadasmi.

This year, 120 children from villages such as Thanikandi, Madakadu, Muttathuvayal and Semmudu participated with their parents in the Vidyarambam ceremony at Linga Bhairavi making it one of the largest groups to be initiated till date.

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