

Maha Kumbhabhishekam successfully completed
June 18, 2010



Thanks to the grace of God and the dedicated work of everyone involved - priests, volunteers, organizers, and performers at cultural events -and with the financial support of devotees, our Temple's ambitious five-day Maha Kumbhabhishekam ceremony came off extremely well. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed both the religious and cultural elements of this colorful festival. We now have a purified Temple and re-energized deities. The picture above shows one of the shikharas atop the temple immediately after Kumbhabhishekam was performed to it at around noon on Day 5. This and some other pictures are posted at: <http://lansingtemple.org/Kumbhabhishekam/MKSPictures.pdf>.

There were many memorable moments, of which we cite just one. On the afternoon of Day 2, while the Gayatri Havan was being performed for all the deities at the Temple, Dr. Sripada Raju was inspired to compose a Gayatri mantra for the Jain murtis. This Gayatri (lansingtemple.org/Kumbhabhishekam/JinesvaraGayatri.pdf) was recited during the Havan along with the other Gayatris and is now a part of our Temple's heritage.

A Community Directory produced on the occasion is available for sale at a cost of \$10 per copy. Copies may be purchased from Shastriji at the Temple.