Vasupujyaswami Nirvan Kalyanak - Ashadh Sud Chaudas



Vasupujya Bhagwan is the twelfth Tirthankara in the current time cycle.

Parents: King Vasupujya and Queen Jaya Devi

Born in: City of Champa Nagri, India

After attaining Samyak Darshan, Vasupujya took three bhavs to attain

Moksha.

Birth 1 - as King Padmottar, who was devoted to spiritual practices and later in his life took diksha. Due to his penance and spiritual practices, he acquired the Tirthankara naam and gotra karma

Birth 2 - as a celestial being.

Birth 3 – Whilst Queen Jaya Devi was pregnant, the King of gods, Indra came to convey his veneration, both to the unborn baby and mother. As Indra is also known as Vasu, the new-born was named as Vasupujya (venerated by Vasu). Symbol (Lanchan) is buffalo, and his symbolic colour is red.

Growing up, Vasupujya had no fascination for the regal splendour and grandeur and became increasing disinterested in worldly materialistic life, instead turning inwards. Eventually, he renounced worldly life, took diksha and became an ascetic. Just after a month of taking diksha, Vasupujya achieved kevaljnana under a Patal tree in the garden of Viharagrha.

He had 66 Gandharas and his first sermon – Deshna was on **Dharma Durlabh Bhavna** – Contemplation of which focuses on the proper understanding of what Dharma – religion is and how important and beneficial it can be in our worldly and spiritual life.

Vasupujya Bhagwan attained moksha at Champa Nagri together with 600 other ascetics.

Champapur Jain Tirth

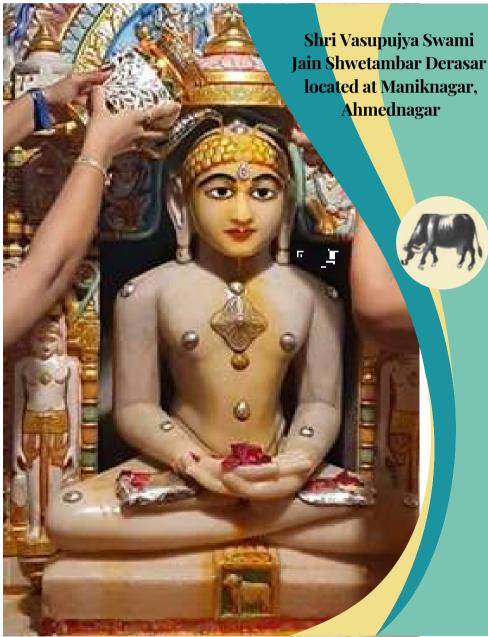
(also known as Champanagri Jain Tirth)
Located in Champapur,
near Bhalgapur in Bihar.

Mulnayak – main Pratima is that of Vasupujya Bhagwan. This tirth is known as the only place where all five kalyanaks namely – Chavan, Jamna, Diksha, Kevaljnana and Nirvan (moksha) of Vasupujya Bhagwan took place.

It is said, according to local tradition, that Adinath Bhagwan, Parshwanath Bhagwan and Mahvirswami all visited this place. Mahavirswami is said to have spent his third and twelfth Chaturmas (monsoon) here.

Mahavirswami's devotees – Shravak Kamadeva, Shree Sudarshan Sheth (Emperor Shripala) and Chandanbala were all born at this place also.





"Om Hrim Shri Vasupujya Swami Parangatay Namah"