

Kartik Poonam

Bhav Siddhachal Yatra

Kartik Poonam – Chaturmas – the holy period of four months (usually July to October) comes to an end on the full moon day of Gujarati month of Kartik. On this day of Kartik Poonam, Jain sadhus and sadhvis resume their vihar – travel by foot and pilgrimage of Shatrunjaya resumes, attracting maximum number of devotees to do the yatra on this first day. Jains believe that Adinath, the first Tirthankara, sanctified the hills by visiting it to deliver his first sermon.

According to our scriptures, millions of souls have attained liberation in Shatrunjaya. It is said that any person who puts one step towards Shatrunjaya with pure heart & true feelings – right bhav - can be free from all sins of the present and previous life.

Also on this day:-

- Dravid and Varikhilji – both grandsons of Adinatha Bhagwan attained liberation in Shatrunjaya along with 10 crores sadhus.
- Celebrated as the birthday of Shrimad Rajchandra and Hemchandrachrya.

