

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Advanced Workshop on spoken Sanskrit (AWSS)

Barcelona 5 – 17 September 2012

### Course syllabus

The main purpose of the course is to help intermediate and advanced students to achieve fluency in spoken Sanskrit. With this goal in mind, the course will focus on the following areas:

- *Sanskrit composition.* Students will be encouraged to write their own essays and short stories and to present them orally to the class.

- *Reading and recitation of subhashitas.* Besides listening to the explanations of their meaning and content in Sanskrit, the students will be progressively required to start using their skills in order to take up themselves the explanation in Sanskrit of a given subhashita.

- *Listening to the Sanskrit news bulletins* in All India Radio. In this regard, special attention will be given to the acquisition of contemporary Sanskrit vocabulary.

- *Reading articles from Sanskrit magazines* and the Sanskrit newspaper Sudharma. As in the previous point, special attention will be given to contemporary Sanskrit vocabulary and expressions.

- *Reading short stories and essays* by contemporary Sanskrit writers. The course will provide a glimpse into the rich contemporary Sanskrit literature, a field not so well known to most sanskritists.

- *Listening to short stories and speeches in Sanskrit.* Audiovisual materials will be presented so that students become acquainted with different accents and styles of delivery.

- *Sanskrit conversation.* Interacting in Sanskrit will be encouraged throughout the course. Daily conversation situations will be simulated in order to cover the main aspects of everyday life.

**Timetable:** Monday to Saturday from 9 to 2, including a one hour coffee break.