

**Profile of Dr. Kalley Prasanth, Associate Professor, Department of Sanskrit**



Kalley Prasanth was born on March 23, 1964 to Dr. K. L. Kanth and Smt K. Rama. He studied at the Kesari Higher Secondary School, Mylapore, Madras between 1973 and 1981. After passing the school final he took B.Sc Mathematics degree at RKM Vivekananda College, Madras in the year 1984. Then he passed M.A. (Sanskrit) in the year 1986. He stood first in the University Examinations. He did M.Phil. (Sanskrit) in the year 1988 and the topic of his dissertation was 'Vasantarajiya - A Study'. Vasantarajiya is a commentary on Kalidasa's Abhijnanasakuntala by Katayavema. Kalley Prasanth started Ph.D. work in the year 1988 under Dr.C.S. Radhakrishnan of the Department of Sanskrit, RKM Vivekananda College. The topic of his Ph.D. thesis is ' Alankaramuktavali-A critical edition and study' He was awarded the Doctor of Philosophy degree by the University of Madras in the year 1995.

Kalley Prasanth was appointed as a lecturer in Sanskrit by RKM Vivekananda College in the year 1988. Presently he is an Associate Professor in the department of Sanskrit. He has authored a few books in Sanskrit, English, Tamil and Telugu. Srikrishnapancakam in Sanskrit, Bharata dasakam in Sanskrit, Gandhi and Spirituality in English, Sankeshepa Ramayanam - a translation into English, Poojai Agaradi in Tamil, Naatya Rasangal - a small treatise on Dramaturgy in Tamil and Sumamaala - a collection of poems in Telugu are some of his works. Besides writing books, Dr. Prasanth has participated in several seminars and conferences, both national and international and presented research papers on various topics such as Sanskrit literature, Vedic Mathematics, Comparative Philology and Vedanta.

Kalley Prasanth has also been delivering upanyasams and discourses on various texts such as the Bhagavadgita, the Unpanishads, Viveka cudamani of Sankara, Bhaja govindam of Sankara, Dakshinamurtistotram, Naaraayaneeyam etc for the past 5 years. He has learnt the art of carnatic music (vocal) from Late Parur. Sri R. Venkataraman, a noted Violonist for about 10 years and Bharatanaatyam from Late Smt. Jayalakshmi Arunachalam for about 5 years and has given a few performances too. Presently he is pursuing his studies in Vedic Mathematics and Gandhian Thought. Prof. Prasanth can be contacted at 09841493304.