

### **Dhammālaya**

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Dhammālaya, meaning 'Abode of Dhamma', is serenely set in 22 acres of State Park Zone land, with a view of blue hills, green fields and sounds of mewing of peacocks and other bird song. The Centre, moved to this location since 2001, is five kms from Hatkanangale bus station and 6.5 kms from Hatkanangale Railway station where all trains from Mumbai and Pune halt.

The centre consists of a fan shaped Dhamma Hall with curved slab that can comfortably accommodate 250 students. At present ten blocks with single and double bedrooms, all with attached toilet, for 72 male and 30 female students have been completed. A mini Dhamma Hall can serve 30 students for one-day courses. A Pagoda is under construction. Out of the planned 153 cells, 38 are ready. The Centre conducts two 10-days courses and one 1-day course monthly. Long courses are being planned for the near future.

### **Dhamma Saritā**

Jivan Sandhya Mangalya Sansthan  
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Dhamma Saritā, meaning 'River of Dhamma', is located in Village Sor on the western bank of River Bhatsa and easily walkable (4 to 5 minutes) from Khadavali Railway Station, (West side) just 90 minutes from South Mumbai, by car as well as train.

Dhamma Saritā was established in 1998 as the first of the many Vipassana centres now appearing in and around Mumbai. It is a calm, serene, green compact Centre with a capacity for 48 students. A Dhamma Hall and dormitory accommodation are presently available.

Around 13 ten-day courses were held in 2004, with 15 being scheduled for 2005. The number of courses is expected to increase in 2006, including more courses for children and teenagers, with facilities planned to accommodate a total of 78 students.