

## STATEMENT OF MA NITHYA VIMALANANDA, B.Com.

1. I am a native and resident of Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. I hail from a respectable, highly cultured and conservative family. I have studied upto B.Com. and thereafter I got married to Sri Nithya Atmaprabhananda and became a housewife.
2. Right from my childhood my inclination was towards spirituality. Sometime during the year 2006, due to my spiritual thirst I decided to join and serve Nithyananda ashram on my own will and volition. Accordingly I joined Nithyananda ashram in the year 2006 and I started my career in the ashram as a volunteer. As a volunteer I served the ashram by dedicating myself to the ashram and thereafter became a full-time ashramite. Since from the days of my joining the ashram till this date I have participated in many spiritual programs conducted by the ashram not only in the ashram but also at various other places in India.
3. I am also looking after the accounts in the ashram. As a volunteer by my sincere honest and dedicated service to the ashram I earned a good name amongst the ashramites in a short span of time.
4. A certain lady by name Arathi used to volunteer at our Ashram. After she became a volunteer, she started attending all the programs conducted by the Ashram. As a Volunteer, she earned a good name amongst the ashramites in a short span of time. On seeing the good work done by her as a Volunteer, she was

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entrusted/assigned with several other works in the Ashram. On joining the Ashram, as a volunteer she started residing with other junior and senior level Ashramites and also participated in most of the spiritual programs conducted in the Ashram not only in India but also abroad.

5. Of late, Arathi developed intimacy with a certain Dharmananda, an Ashramite and started behaving indifferently by skipping all the rules and regulations of the Ashram. She slowly started moving with the said Dharmananda in lonely/secluded places in the Ashram and started spending more time than needed as and when she used to go out of the Ashram for some reason or the other.
6. The erratic behavior of Arathi was brought to the notice of Swamiji who in turn advised Arathi not to indulge herself in such type of activities and not to violate any of the rules and regulations of the ashram. Swamiji also advised all of us to maintain the sanctity, decorum and dignity of the ashram and inspired upon all of us need to concentrate on spreading the spirituality to the maximum extent, etc.
7. In spite of the advice tendered to her by the Swamiji, instead of mending her ways, Arathi continued to behave in the same fashion by closely associating herself with Dharmananda. Arathi abruptly left the Ashram without even informing anyone in the ashram for the reasons best known to her.

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8. I have gone through the tell-tale statement said to have been made by Arathi which contain false, frivolous and baseless allegations not only against the Ashram but also against the Swamji. If I am asked to say/comment about the genuineness/ correctness of the said statement, I completely deny the same as false, concocted, cooked up and a got up story, which is made only with an intention to spoil the image and the reputation of Ashram as well as of Swamiji.
9. I participated in the Kalpataru and padayatra programs conducted at various places in Tamil Nadu during the months of January and February 2009. Arati Rao stayed in my room during the said yatra. I am a witness to the fact that she never even had a private time with Swamiji as alleged in her statement. In the said padayatra, at Namakkal, Sri Nithya Sarvananda was the organizer. Swamiji and his personal sevaks and security stayed in Sarvananda's house. All the women including Sarvananda's wife and mother stayed in another house. Myself, Ma Nithya Achalananda and Arati Rao stayed in one room. I can say with certainty that Arati didn't have any access to go Swamiji's room at any time as spoken to by her.
10. Further I would like to add here itself that since I participated in the padayatra and Kalpataru programs with Swamiji in the months of Jan and Feb 2009, I can certainly say that no such untoward incident had taken place at any point of time as alleged by Arati in her statement.

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11. I am also certain that in our ashram as well as outside the ashram where programs are being conducted no female ashramite is allowed for any purpose to the place where Swamiji stays. As I know, the procedure and practice in our ashram is that the rooms will be allotted separately for male and female ashramites whenever we stay in the ashram. Likewise, whenever the spiritual programs are conducted outside the ashram the same practice is followed strictly. Further I am certain that no such untoward incident had taken place as projected by Arati in her statement.

12. Arathi Rao has woven a story to implicate our ashram and its head at the behalf and instance of certain vested interests who are based in Tamil Nadu and USA who have been grinding an axe against the ashram and the head of the ashram belated by after a lapse of several years.

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