All Glory To Sri Guru & Gauranga

Lord Jagannath went with him

Swami Bhakti Vichar Vishnu Maharaj

Before Taking Sannayas, Supreme Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu Asked Srila Jagadish Pandit To Go To Nilachal For The Preaching Of Sri <u>Krishna</u>-bhakti. The Son Of Sri Nand Maharaj, Sri Krishna And The Son Of Sri Jagannath Mishra, Sri Gaursundar (Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu) As Well As Lord Jagannath Are Same, Supr<u>eme Divinity</u>.

When Srila Jagadish Pandit Arrived In Puri, He Went For The Darshan Of Lord Jagannath And Melted With Love When He Saw Him. On His Way Back, However, He Felt Extreme Separation From Lord Jagannath.



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(Thousands Of People Go On Pilgrimage To Puri Everyday. All Of Them Take Darshan Of Lord Jagannath, But How Many Of Them Are Overcome By Feelings Of Separation When Returning Home? Perhaps Once In A While, Some Fortunate Individual Is Able To Feel Such Emotions. If One Truly Feels Such Pangs Of Separation, Then This Is A Sign Of Lord Jagannath's Mercy; If Not, Then One Has Not Truly Received The Grace Of The Lord.) Lord Jagannath Observed Srila Jagadish Pandit Crying And Mercifully Appeared To Him In A Dream And Told Him To Take His *Vigraha* And Serve The Same. Simultaneously He Appeared To The King Of Orissa And Ordered Him That At The <u>Time</u> Of *Nava-kalevar*, When The Deity Of Lord Jagannath Is Replaced, The Outgoing Form Should Be Given To Srila Jagadish Pandit.

As A Result Of This Dream, The King Of Orissa Considered It To Be A Great Honor To Give Srila Jagadish Pandit, Lord Jagannath's Outgoing Form, Which Is Known As The *Samadhi-stha-vigraha*.

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Then Srila Jagadish Pandit Prayed To Lord Jagannath, Asking Him How He Could Possibly Carry The Deity's Heavy <u>Body</u> All The Way Back To Bengal. Lord Jagannath Answered That For His Sake He Would Become As <u>Light</u> As Cork. Then Srila Jagadish Pandit Was To Cover Him With A Piece Of New Cloth And Then Carry Him Suspended On The End Of A Staff. Lord Jagannath Further Told Him That He Would Have To Make Permanent Arrangements To Stay Wherever He Was Set Down On The Ground. Srila Jagadish Panditenlisted The Aid Of Brahmin And They Took Turns Carrying Lord Jagannath As Far As The Village Of Yashra On The Banks Of River Ganges, Near The Town Of Chakdah.

After Arriving There, Srila Jagadish Pandit Left Lord Jagannath With The Brahmin And Went To Take His Bath In The River Ganges And To Perform Oblations Of The Water Of Ganges. While He Was Gone, The Brahmin Found That Lord Jagannath Was Suddenly Becoming Very Heavy And That He Was No Longer Able To Hold Him Up. When Srila Jagadish Pandit Came Back From His Bath, He Saw Lord Jagannath Sitting On The Ground And Realized That The Lord Wanted To Stay In That Very Spot. Eventually, Srila Jagadish Pandit Shifted His Home From Mayapur To Yashra In Bengal (<u>India</u>), As Per The Desire Of Lord Jagannath.

At Present, The Temple Of Lord Jagannath At Yashra Is Managed By Sree Chaitanya Gaudiya Math.



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