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Latha mar and flower holi celebrated in Radha Govinda Mandir

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Vrindavan, February 25, 2015: The festive mood of the colorful festival of holi gains momentum in Vrindavan as different ashrams and temples are gearing to celebrate it. On Tuesday the Radha Govinda

Mandir of Chaitanya Vihar celebrated the Latha mar and flower holi under the auspices of its Mahant Krishna Balaram Swami. The celebration of the holi was coincided with its annual function of the Chhat Mela.

The celebration began with breaking a coconut by Swami ji. Maha Sudarshan Yagna was performed under the guidance of Ekeshwar Das and Sacchidananda Das in a typical South Indian pattern. The devotees who came from Rajasthan and Vraja mandal gave sacrifices of grain, ghee etc. as a custom to please the God. Sweets and fruits prasadam were distributed among the devotees.

Grand procession of the presiding deities of the temple was taken out in the streets of Vrindavan in which the devotees sang the songs of holi and danced on its tune. The chariot in which the deities were taken out was decorated with scented flowers. The procession was welcomed in several places where the devotees showered the flowers on the deities. The male devotees played lathmar holi with the women devotees on the music of the folk songs of Vraja.

Hundreds of devotees participated in the procession were throwing the color powder (gulal) on each other. The procession passed through Ramaneti, Vidyapeeth Chouraha, Athkhamba, Bankhandi, Loi Bazar, Pratap Bazar, Chungi Chouraha. After doing a parikrama in the town the procession finally reached back to the Radha Govinda Temple at Chaitanya Vihar.

The Radha Govinda Temple is an attractive temple built a few years back with red sandstone in South Indian style.

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