

### **About Medha sakthi**

Medha sakthi, which is also essential for the spiritual regeneration of man. Medha sakthi is associated with suprasensory experiences, extrasensory perceptions, intuition and spirituality. It transcends the sensations and perceptions provided by the phenomenal world.

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### **Buddhi transcends the Indriyas**

There are two agencies: the *Buddhi* and the *Medhas*. The *Medhas* is the agency that controls all *Indriyas* (organs). It is described as the "Control room." *Buddhi*, however, is not related to the body. The *Medhas* is related to the *Indriyas* (the instruments of perception and action).

"*Buddhigraahyam atheendhriyam*," it is said. The *Buddhi* transcends the *Indriyas*. When a person says, "My *Buddhi* was preoccupied with something else," it shows that the *Buddhi* is beyond the body. Hence, both the mind and *Buddhi* are related to the *Aatma* and not the body.

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### **Supremacy of Buddhi over mental cleverness**

*Buddhi* should not be equated with *Medhaa Shakthi* (mental agility or cleverness). The superiority of *Buddhi* over *Medhaa Shakthi* was proclaimed by King Vikramaditya at an assembly of scholars whom he had gathered for discussing this issue. Without *Buddhi*, with its five important associates, all mental faculties are useless like a fruit without juice, a tree without fruit, a temple without a lamp, or a counterfeit coin. Most intellectuals today, not realising the supremacy of the *Buddhi* and relying only on their intelligence, are ignoring their inherent divinity. *Buddhi* is the divine element in man, which is shining effulgently always. The Gita declares: The *Buddhi* transcends the senses (*Atheendriyam*). It is related to the Divine.

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### **Buddhi is based on Medha shakthi**

EMBODIMENTS of love! To see the lamp that gives light you don't need another lamp. So also no other means of cognition is needed to realise the self-effulgent Aathma or Self. The Self is changeless. The *Buddhi* (intellect) has no light of its own but it shines by the effulgence of the Aathma. If the intellect is able to apprehend and judge everything in the world, it is due to the power of the Self. *Buddhi* or intellect is based on *Medha shakthi* (intelligence). The power of the intellect is only a reflection, of Aathma Chaithanya (the effulgence of the Aathma).

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The most important faculty in man is *Prajna-Shakthi* (the power of integrated Awareness). It is from *Prajna-Shakthi* that other powers like *Ichcha-Shakthi* (will power), *Medha-Shakthi* (intelligence), *Vaak-Shakthi* (the power of speech) and *Vichaarana-Shakthi* (the reasoning powers) are derived. This integrated Awareness is sustained by thoughts.

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**Follow the Buddhi to become Pashupathi**

The relationship between the Buddhi (intellect) and the mind is similar to the sun and the moon. The mind is made up of thoughts and fancies. It is dangerous to act as a slave of the mind. By following the mind, one becomes a Pashu (an animal). By following the Buddhi, one becomes a Pashupathi, the Lord of all living beings.

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**Buddhi is a sacred gift from God**

Man's most precious and sacred gift from God is *Buddhi* (intelligence). The intelligence that should be used for seeking the *Aatma* (Spirit) is being used by man today to seek *Annam* (food).

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