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## BSY lays foundation for Rs 500-cr Anubhava Mantapa

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Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday laid foundation stone for Anubhava Mantapa in Basavakalyan in the district, where the 12th century social reformer Basavanna (Basaveshwara) had introduced the world's first socio-religious parliament, which aimed to create an egalitarian society.

The chief minister performed bhoomi puja in the presence of a host of seers and the elected representatives. The proposed Anubhava Mantapa will come up on a sprawling seven acres at a cost of Rs 500 crore.

Yediyurappa said, "The Anubhava Mantapa will be completed in two years and Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be invited for its inauguration. Rs 100 crore has already been released for its construction and the second installment of another Rs 100 crore will be released in a

week. Soon after the tender process is over, the construction work will be taken up without delay."

Modi has a lot of respect for Basavadi Sharanas. The prime minister has mentioned about the good work of Sharanas during his speech at various fora. There's a need for an in depth study on Basavadi Sharanas' life and deeds and their vachanas. There is a demand for Vachana university from the followers and writers, he said and added necessary steps will be taken in this regard.

### GoRuCha's objection

Veteran writer Go Ru Channabasappa took strong exception to the word Sanatana used in the newspaper ads published by the state government.

GoRuCha, in the presence of chief minister, said, "In the newspaper ad, it should have been... recreating Anubhava Mantapa of Basavadi Sharanas' progressive thoughts, not Sanatana..."



Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa performs bhoomi puja for the replica of Anubhava Mantapa at Basavakalyan, Bidar district, on Wednesday. Seers and elected representatives look on. DH PHOTO