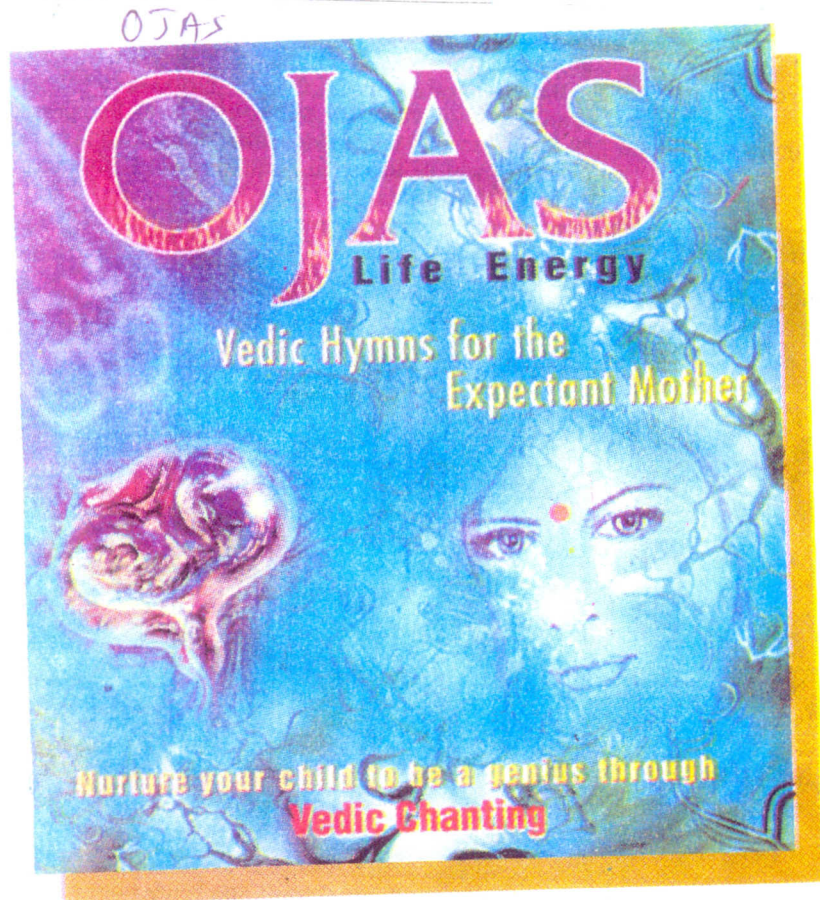


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Unchained melodies

RECENTLY, a CD on hymns from Yajur Veda singing praises of centres of energy like Indira, Agni, Soma, Twastha and Raka Devi was released.

Thirty-year-old Tatwamasi Dixit, a Vedic scholar and an energy expert, is the man behind the effort. It was his utter shock and dismay when he happened to come across a pregnant woman listening to jarring music that acted as catalyst in this project. "She was listening to jarring western notes that could have resulted in psychological disturbances even in grownup people. There was neither melody nor meaning in the verses in the song that she was hearing," says Dixit. His alternative? Vedic mantras which stimulates the body, mind and spirit.

gence and the spirit of the mother and the child. The target audience for the CD, says Dixit, are the expectant mothers. The powerful mantras are supposed to transmit the positive energy from the atmosphere to the mother and thus the child in the womb. "The universe is a huge energy system and living and non-living beings are dependent upon this for survival. Gods and deities are the sources of this cosmic energy and when we chant mantras, the rest — love, happiness, knowledge and wealth will automatically follow." Also, the mantras supposedly is also beneficial for persons suffering from problems like a weak heart, hypertension and psychosis. "Plans are afoot to introduce the hymns in the cassette format also to benefit poorer sections of the society,"

says Dixit.

A portal MyPandit.com was also inaugurated along with the launch of the CD. The portal enables its members, for a small fee, to benefit from treatment through Vedic chanting and consultation, creative visualisation, therapeutic pranayama, yoga techniques, ayurveda and energy cure and diet counselling. Suggestions for recording higher productivity and newer scales of creativity are given. Methods to contain chronic ailments like coronary artery diseases, diabetes, spondylitis, ulcer, blood pressure, migraine and gynecological problems are spelt out. The portal also promotes online sale of spiritual and health goods.

Incidentally, Dixit was conferred the title 'Vedic Pundit' at the age of 17 by Uttar Pradesh Sanskrit Academy. He has toured Europe and South East Asia extensively, conducting workshops and lecturing on the benefits of holistic approach for our physical, emotional and spiritual problems.

The CD is available for Rs 225 from Info Vedic Services Private Limited. For details, contact: 8472655; Email: ivsl@eth.net — Sridhar-Chaama



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