



DEVARDHIGANI KSHAMASHRAMAN (V.S. 1000)



In a samovsaran in the city of Rajgrihi, Bhagyan Mahavir informed Saudharma Indra, “The angel with the title Harinagamaishi who helped transform me in utero will be called Devardhigani 1000 years after my death. He will be the last person to know the twelve ang of Drastivad.” In Veraval Patan Kamardhi’s wife Kalavati gave birth to Devardhi. Devardhi grew to be very fond of hunting and continued to be so in spite of having been discouraged by angel twice. Once when he was out hunting an angel resorted to giving him severe hardships and finally Devardhi submitted and told the angel that he would do whatever he asked of him but wanted to be saved. The angel asked him to take vows from Lohityasuri. Devardhi eventually studied a great deal and achieved Ganipad and Kshamashramanpad and thereby pleased the Kapardi, Gomukh, and Chakreshvari devis. Devardhi oversaw the fifth conference of Agam readings in front of 500 acharyas, helped write 48 Agam books, and also wrote “Nandisutra”.