

## Blessed Padukas – For those blessed devotees of Faro

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One of the highlights in Faro was the big surprise Mr. Vadgama had for his friend Karuna. Mr. Vadgama had tried to get blessed Padukas for Karuna many times without much success. However, in December 2010 during his last visit to see Baba he asked Swami whether he would bless the Padukas he had got for his friend. Baba agreed and put the Padukas on his feet in order to bless them. Then 11 months later they were presented to Karuna at the Portuguese Laksharchana. What joy they brought to the devotees! Here in the South of Portugal far from Puttarparthi, were now Padukas that had been worn by Swami as a blessing for Mr. Vadgama's friend. In fact, Padukas not only bless the home they are in but the whole surrounding area. They are a great blessing wherever they are.

The other highlight in Portugal was that the Sai Smaran book had just been translated to Portuguese. A wonderful seva done by Antonio Aguiar. Mr. Vadgama took the book back to the UK and it was given to Leonardo Gutter (Head of Sai organisation in Latin America) at the UK's

National Birthday celebration as a present for Brazil (the biggest Portuguese speaking country).

Other than the Paduka experience and the Sai Smaran translation, the Portuguese Laksharchana was full of love and devotion. A warm and lovely experience with wonderful people who made the day a real blessing.

Another highlight in Faro other than the wonderful devotees was that vibhuti manifested before and after the Laksharchana in the homes of some devotees. This brought great joy to the devotees who experienced this miracle.

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