SHIKHARJI AT SIDDHACHALAM
Teerthraj Shri Sammed Shikharji in Giridih, Jharkhand, is the sacred place where 20 of the 24 Tirthankars of the current avasarpini attained moksha. A yatra of Shikharji is often considered the most important yatra for a Jain. Shikharji has 31 tonks, including the Jal Mandir.

Siddhachalam is a Jain ashram located in an idyllic setting in rural north-western New Jersey on 120 acres of hilly terrain. It was founded in 1983 by Acharya Shri Sushil Kumarji Maharaj. Guruji, as he was lovingly called, purified Siddhachalam through his austerities, study and meditation. As a result, Siddhachalam is called a teerth, a pilgrimage place.

Siddhachalam Jain Tirth is comprised of temples, library, lecture and meditation hall, bhojanshala, offices, cabins, dedicated residences for munjis, sadhvis and poojari, sports fields, and nature and meditation trails.

Siddhachalam has several springs and ponds. It is a protected reserve for animals and birds.

Lotos and other flowers in the lake at Siddhachalam. All water at Siddhachalam comes from aquifers at the teerth.

Each winter, over 2,400 pounds of corn is fed to deer and other animals.

Shikharji at Siddhachalam Project will cost approximately $1-1.5 million and take 18 to 30 months for completion.

Individuals, sanghs, and organizations from across the world have the opportunity to take lathab of this historic project.

Donations for the Project will be duly recognized. Donors for major events such as bhoomi pujan, shilanyas, the marble tonk, on-site landscaping and construction (including the marble plaque alongside each tonk or temple) and pratishtha will be permanently recognized in marble engravings on or by each tonk. Bhoimiya's Temple, and the Jal Mandir, as applicable.

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By placing the Jal Mandir of Shikharji on top of Siddhachalam's old Spring House (built over a natural spring) and its entrance with the north-west entrance to Siddhachalam, tanks of Shikharji can be placed at Siddhachalam in Shikharji's layout.

Siddhachalam engaged a cartographer to map Shikharji's tanks. Its team visited Shikharji and confirmed its various tanks and features. It obtained architectural services to accurately depict the project.

Each tank will have a charan paduka. The Jal Mandir will have pratimas as in Shikharji. Each tank will be accompanied by marble plaque containing the details of the Tirthankar or siddha.

Jains and others in America and elsewhere will soon be able to accomplish a Shikharji-like yatra at Siddhachalam.

Siddhachalam invites all in creating this heritage for our future generations.
Visit Siddhachalam

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Veerthraj Shri Sammed Shikharji in Giridih, Jharkhand, is the sacred place where 20 of the 24 Tirthankars of the current avasarpini attained moksha. It has 31 toonks. Siddhachalam is blessed to bring Shikharji darshan here. This is a model of a proposed toonk. Jai Jinendra.