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Dhamma Nāgajjuna, (Nāgajjuna, a proper noun, name of a famous ancient scholar), is a fast growing Dhamma centre that is on land that is part of the 300-acre Buddha Park newly created by the Andhra Pradesh Government. The objective is to include two independent meditation centres to house 100 meditators each. One centre will be for long courses and another for Special Courses and workshops. Both centres will have a centralized administration, centralized kitchen, accommodation for long-stay Dhamma servers and research.

This land has a Dhamma history 18 centuries old. In the Sriparvata hills, beside the Krishna River, a famous scholar, Archarya Nagarjuna, established a university and meditation centre. Many monks, nuns and lay people from far and near came to learn the Dhamma and helped in spreading it all over Southeast Asia. The relics of the Buddha were also excavated in a stupa situated there.

The project is called Sriparvatha Arama and on one side of it, 35 acres of land had been allotted for the development of this new Vipassana Centre. In June 2004, a lease agreement was signed between the Andhra Pradesh Government and the local trust. The first one-day course was held on Purnima day of July 2004. Three-day courses are conducted there regularly and ten-day courses will start shortly.