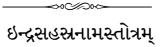
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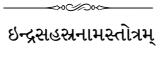
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Dedicated to all Kavyakantha Ganapati Muni Rasika

We are pleased to present the IndrasahasranAmastotram composed by Kavyakantha Vasishtha Ganapati Muni with introduction and translation provided by Dr. Jayanthi Manohar.

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Prelude to Indra Sahasranama of Kavyakantha Ganapai Muni

Essential features of Deva - Indra as seen in Rigveda Mantras are very well woven together in the garland of thousand names - Indrasahasranama by Ganapati Muni. He says in concluding verse about his work as "these names are Vedic, so the scholars who know the Vedic terminology should understand etymological meaning of the words properly in accordance with the Vedic perspective".

All that is said in Veda is the result of intuitive experience of Vedic Rishis - the Mystic poets. I have attempted here to give a brief note on Vedic concept of Devas which would help an aspirant to understand the intention of Ganapati Muni who followed the path of Vedic Rishis. It is essential to know the spiritual import of Veda and intricate characteristics of Devas invoked in Veda Mantras along with the performance of internal and external Yajnas to understand Indra Sahasranama.

Veda Mantras are the spontaneous expressions emerged from the Rishis who could visualize the knowledge stationed in the highest plane with their intuitive power developed from deep meditation (tapas). The study of Veda in the light of Shri Aurobindo's ideas of symbolic language would give us tangible answers to the questions like Who are the Vedic Gods (devas) and the direct connection of these devas in our life.

Mantras tell us that the Devas are special powers in creation. The word "divine" has its origin in Sanskrit word "div"- "Deva" which has the connotation as

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"to give (bestow felicities)", "to shine (luminous)" with Light and Knowledge, "resides in

higher world". This also means to make someone or something shine. Deva is the all pervasive cosmic energy, the powers of the Supreme Godhead.

Rigveda (1.164.46) proclaims that "There is only one God-head - એક सत् ekam sat, but the wise people praise Him in different names - ekam sat viprA bahudhA vadanti - as Mitra, VaruNa, Agni, GarutmAn, Yama, MAtarishvA." Shri Aurobindo adds his observation to the above Mantra as: "The Rigveda itself, indeed, asserts that the Gods are only different names and expressions of one Universal Being who in His own reality transcends the universe; but from the language of the hymns we are compelled to perceive in the Gods not only the different names but also different forms, powers and personalities of the one Deva."

MaharShi YAska's Nirukta which dates back prior to the Second Millennium B.C. also gives a detailed note about the appearance of different Gods in the Veda Mantras and their alliance with the God Supreme in Daivata prakaraNa (7.4).

મહાભાગ્યાદ્વતાયાઃ એક આત્મા બહુધા સ્તૂયતે | એકસ્યાત્મનોડન્યે દેવાઃ પ્રત્યડ્ગાનિ ભવન્તિ | અપિ ય સત્ત્વાનાં પ્રકૃતિભૂમભિરૃષયઃ સ્તુવન્તીત્યાહુઃ | પ્રકૃતિસાર્વનામ્યાચ્ય | ઇતરેતર જન્માનો ભવન્તિ | ઇતરેતર પ્રકૃતયઃ | કર્મજન્માનઃ | આત્મવૈષાં રથો ભવતિ આત્માશઃ | આત્માયુધમ્ | આત્મેષવઃ | આત્મા સર્વે દેવસ્ય || નિ. ૭.૪

"Gods are praised in different ways even though they have only one soul owing to their abundant felicities. For one soul, other Gods become different organs (pratyangas). Further, taking the Satva of Parameshvara, the Supreme Godhead, they indulge in creation and assume different functions. They are praised in different names by Rishis. The Soul is ratha, ashva, Ayudha, ishus and the AtmA - Soul of all the Gods."

Shri Aurobindo observes that "... the separate functions of Gods emerged by means (out of) of their activities, their epithets, the psychological (તાસાં માહાભાગ્યાદેકેકસ્ય અપિ બહૂનિ નામધેયાનિ ભવન્તિ l અપિ વા કર્મપૃથત્વાત્ - નિરુક્ત ૭.૫) sense of the legends connected with them....". (From The Secret of the Veda. The Psychological Theory by Shri Aurobindo). Many Mantras reveal how all Devas are different powers and personalities of the Supreme. They take birth in us when invoked and give/increase their powers as per our aspirations. Devas are called twice - born (dvijanma) since they take birth in the Universe and in every aspirant. Indra is seen in the Mantras as the great bird (Suparna -garuda) without any abode.

This epithet indicates very significant power and activity (work) of Indra. He is recognized as the "divine mind and action" of the Supreme by Shri Aurobindo.

The psychological aspects of Devas are clearly seen in many Mantras. Shri Aurobindo says that he got the first clue for finding the psychological aspect of the God - Agni from the frequently used epithet of Agni as "purohita". The word "purohita" in its separated form ye: + led: - "placed (nihita) in front" gives the symbolic meaning of the Divine Will or Force in all the human activities.

An aspirant invokes the cosmic powers in an inward journey on the spiritual path i.e., journey towards self-realization. The Devas would bestow their felicities on an aspirant to divinize his life. Divinizing means achieving all-sided perfection by spiritualizing our every day life. Spirituality is different from religious beliefs and practices. It is the understanding and consciously recognizing the Supreme Spirit which pervades the entire cosmos including all human activities.

The vedic sages recognized different types of powers pulsating around and within all the aspects of manifestations and had realized the conscious supra - physical beings behind all the cosmic powers - Devas. They were aware that the minds of the individual human beings are not isolated. They are all the projections of the cosmic mind. They knew that they can increase their physical/ spiritual/ psychological powers by invoking the Supreme Power as well as the different Gods who are like His limbs to energize every aspect of human efforts.

Devas are invoked in Mantras to eradicate difficulties both in worldly life and spiritual life. They regarded worldly life as important as the spiritual pursuit and aspired to lead happy and long life. Invoked Devas to get health, power and prosperity. Indra is seen in the Mantras as the Lord of the Divine Mind and Action who gives knowledge and increases the life force. He is praised as the lord of abundant wealth and also the Deva who gives generously to aspirants.

Indra as the Lord of the Divine Mind and Action

Many Mantras tell us that Indra is the Lord of the heavens, mighty Power of the Gods, presiding over the Divine Mind, who descends with his lightning, abundant showers - the life - giving rains. There is a common belief that Indra, the king of the Gods is ruling over the

heavens, stands above the region of the clouds, deals with his famous weapon vajrAyudha, gives a death - blow to the demon called VritrAsura and releases the waters. Traditionally, naturalistic interpretation of Vritra says that he represents the dark clouds which hoard the waters and the Indra gives the blow by his thunderbolt and causes the release of the waters. We can find a reference of symbolic meaning of Vritra in MahAbhArata in ashvamedhaparva, (11-7-20) where MaharShi VedavyAsa tells YudhiShThira a secret that he had learnt from the Rishis in the forest.

ઇદં ધર્મ્ય રહસ્યં ચ શક્રેનોડક્તં મહર્ષિષુ l ઋષિભિશ્વ મમ પ્રોક્તં તન્નિબોધ જનાધિપ ll

તતો વૃત્રં શરીરસ્થં જધાન ભરતર્ષભ l શતકતુરદૃશ્યેન વર્જનેતીહ નઃ શ્રુતમ્ ll (અશ્વમેધપર્વ ૧૧ l ૭ l ૨૦) "Listen , O Monarch of the Bharatas (Bharata clan), This secret dharma (truth) was told by Indra himself to the ancient Rishis. They told me that "we have learnt that Indra (then) did slay Vritra who dwells in the body, with his invincible thunderbolt - vajra." Here, the famous story of Vritra and Indra of PuraNas, is explained in spiritual perspective as the enemy within a human body (sharIrastham).

Vritra is seen in the Rigveda Mantras as the symbol of negative forces which bring obstructions not only in the spiritual sAdhanA of an aspirant but in all the works dedicated to the upliftment of people. The killing of Vritra by Indra symbolizes the divine help rendered to overcome the obstructions caused by the negative forces in the developmental activities of one and all.

The doors of the "secret cover" of the spiritual knowledge hidden in the Veda Mantras, open up through the symbols. This has great significance to the inner world. It would enhance the psychological faculties which in turn lead an aspirant towards the intuitive power. Indra is the Lord of the Divine Mind and Action. Indra battles the evil forces on behalf of the seekers of knowledge.

External meaning: "Indra has fixed (raised) the Sun in the Heavens for the eternal view. He, the Sun, inspired to show his light to the entire world being on the top of the mountain". The meaning of the second line of this Mantra in surface level: "Indra smashed the hill (adrim) by the cows (gobhiH)". This does not give any coherent meaning.

Spiritual interpretation: Here, the pattern of symbols under which the spiritual meaning

of the Veda Mantras are hidden has to be studied. YAska"s Nirukta gives the meaning of "gauH" as "Aditya" and it also gives the meaning as "the rays of the Sun and all the rays are called gauH" (સર્વેડિપ રશ્મયો ગાવ ઉચ્ચન્તે ! આદિત્યોડિપ ગૌરુચ્યતે, ઉતાદઃ પરુષે ગવિ પર્વવતી ભાસ્પતીત્યૌપમન્યવઃ ॥ નિ. ૨.૬). It can be noted here that a commonly used word, "goShThI" which means "the assembly of the learned people" has the component of "gauH - knowledge".

Hence in the second line of the Mantra quoted above, the word "gauH" symbolizes, the ray of Light and the knowledge - jnAna. The Mountain symbolizes ajnAna, the ignorance and the verb vi+ airayat means smashed. Now, the coherent meaning emerges as: "Indra smashed ignorance of an aspirant by bestowing the knowledge upon him"... or as "Indra destroyed the forces of ignorance using the Rays of spiritual Light."

SHri Kapali Shastri, direct disciple of Shri Aurobindo, sums up his observation on this Mantra as "the Supreme Sun, destroyed the ignorance of an aspirant which is symbolized by the word "adri" - the inanimate dark world (within oneself)" by his rays of spiritual knowledge.

The role of Indra is evident as the Lord of the Divine Mind who helps the seekers by giving them the knowledge/guidance and helps them to develop the mental abilities and inspires them for proper actions. The actions of the Divine Mind, Indra, can be broadly classified into three categories. The first task is to manifest knowledge in seekers in several steps.

O Shatakratu, Indra of thousand activities, the singers are lauding you and worshiping with Mantras. The Seers of the Mantra rise and attain thee holding (like the) bamboo (ladder which helps to climb).

When a seeker climbs from one peak to an other peak, he sees the task yet to be accomplished. Then, Indra awakens in him (seeker) the object of the ascent. Indra himself appears with the company of Gods for the aid (to guide) of the seeker.

The second task is the preparation and building up of subtle bodies which can absorb/sustain the knowledge.

Indra is praised as the "fashioner of perfect forms - surUpakritnumUtaye".

"Rishis invoke Indra, to prepare the subtle body". The physical body is made of material, vital (prANa) and mental energies. In its ordinary condition it is like an unbaked pot which will break if knowledge of great intensity enters it. Hence, Indra has to create new forms or subtle bodies which can receive the knowledge and make use of it for further internal growth. He prepares subtle body of the seekers to be able to receive vision and awakens the excellent knowledge in it.

"Gives knowledge to one who does not have it". Indra gives an appropriate form - peSha, which can sustain this knowledge.

The third task of Indra is to offer protection for seekers from the hostile forces called Vritra, Vala etc., who bring the obstructions in the worldly and spiritual paths of the seekers. They are the forces of falsehood which conceal Truth or divide the Truth and they apply force to stop the flow of consciousness. They operate in cosmic level and in the inner life of every individual. Indra's victory over such hostile forces are hailed in many Mantras. Rishis invoke Indra to help them overcome such obstacles caused by hostile forces by bestowing his strength on them.

Indra's role as the power of the divine Mind:

ઇન્દ્રા યાહિ ધિયેષિતો વિપ્રજૂતઃ સુતાવતઃ l ઉપ બ્રહ્માણિ વાઘતઃ ll ઋ. ૧.૩.૫ "Impelled by thought, driven forward by the illumined thinker, Come O' Indra to my thoughts, I am ready with the soma-juice (delight) and eager to express it in speech (Mantras)".

Interpretation of a Mantra (1-53-4) in spiritual perspective found in Shri Kapali Shastri's SiddhAnjana can be observed here.

"O Indra, propitiated by these bright oblations, these Soma libations, dispel our ignorance (અમિતો) with Rays - Knowledge and Life-force (with cows and horses-ગોભિરશ્વિના). And with

the aid of Indra pleased with Soma - libation, we shall afflict the Robber and be relieved from enemies, be impelled together ahead."

One can see in the above Mantra as to how the spiritual meaning as Light and Knowledge for the word "gauH" are more appropriate to get the cohesive meaning. When Indra is prayed to remove ignorance - અમર્તિ by cows and horses - ગોભિરિશના, it does not give any cohesive meaning if it is taken in the outer meaning. One has to remove the veil of the symbols to get the inner meaning as the Knowledge and the Life-force (ગોભિરશિના).

Indra is seen in many Mantras as though appearing in front of Rishis/aspirants and actually helping them to win over hostile forces both in war and in spiritual pursuit. Indra is praised as great hero. His attribute as "Garuda" gives a clue about the actual appearance of Indra in front of Rishis; perhaps in a chariot that looked like Garuda. This resembles the depiction of Garuda as the chariot of Vishnu.

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ત્વં પિપ્રું મૃગયં શૂશુવાસમૃજિશ્વને વૈદિશ્વનાય રન્ધીઃ !
પગ્ચાશત્કૃષ્ણા નિ વપઃ સહસ્રાત્કંન પુરો જરિમા વિ દર્દઃ !! ઋ. ૪.૧૬.૧૩
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"For the sake of Rijishvan, son of Vidathin, you have slain Pipru and the mighty Mrigaya. You have slain the fifty thousand KriShhNAs. You have demolished the cities (of Shambara), just as old age (destroys) the body ".

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અવાંચયક્ષં પૃદમસ્ય સુસ્વરુગ્રં નિધાતુરન્વાયમિચ્છન્ !
અપૃચ્છમન્યાઁ ઉત તે મ આહુરિન્દ્રં નરો બુબુધાના અશેમ !! ઋ. ૫.૩૦.૨
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Here, the Seer of the Mantra, Rishi Babhru tells the aspirants, that "I have seen the firm and secret abode of Indra. The wise persons told me that we, the leaders, shall attain (understand) Indra being awakened (by him). "

Ganapati Muni recognises, Kundalini shakti as an aspect of the power of Indra. He was blessed with the Mantra shakti by his practice of Vedic life and tapas by which he could heal the wounds. It is recorded in his biography that a broken bone of his son in a bus accident healed quickly when he invoked Indra (meditated upon) this Mantra (8.1.12).

"The magnificent Indra restores again the bleeding from broken neck by joining the broken neck with the body to original condition even in the absence of healing materials".

Devas in Veda Mantras appear tangible to aspirants and enigmatic at the same time. A Mantra in 6th Mandala (6.47.18) says, "To every form, Indra has remained the counterform, that is his form for us to face and see. By his maya powers, he moves on endowed with many forms, with his thousand steeds".

Many events in the life of Ganapati Muni tell us that it is possible to get into the power of Indra by invoking and meditating upon his divine activities both worldly and spiritual. Meditating upon thousand names in Indra Sahasranama of Ganapati Muni would help aspirants to achieve all round perfection in whatever work undertaken as well as in spiritual pursuits.

There are 10552 Mantras in Rigveda. We may see the invoking of Indra in 1028 Mantras of Rigveda as a main deity as well as with other Devas mostly with Agni who is the Will power of Paramatma.

English translations of all the Mantras quoted here are rendered by Shri Kapali Shastri and Prof. R.L.Kashyap. There are many more aspects of Indra and his association with Soma. A detailed note is available in "Symbolism of Rigveda", authored by me.

I conclude my humble attempt of very brief introduction to enigmatic Indra with a Mantra wherein he is addressed as Bliss (491).

Indra is invoked to get all that is needed for happy worldly life and to achieve spiritual knowledge.

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ઇન્દ્રં મૃળ મહ્યું જીવાતુંમિચ્છ ચોદય ધિયમયસો ન ધારામ્ l
યત્હિં ચાહં ત્વાયુરિદં વદામિ તજ્જુષસ્વ કૃધિ માં દેવવન્તમ્ ll ઋ. ૬.૪૭.૧૦
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"O Indra, Mrila (blissful) make me happy, inspire me for getting things required for living, my intellect and speech. Be happy with the offering of whatever little I speak for you and make me the possessor of Deva - the divine powers". Here, the import is on acquiring the power and qualities of Deva. It is clearly seen when the Rishi says: "Make me devavantam .. કૃષ્યિમા દેવવન્તમ્ ."

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ઇન્દ્રસહસ્રનામસ્તોત્રમ્

Acknowledgement by Translator



Indra Sahasranama contains one thousand names of Indra that are woven together in one hundred slokas by Ganapati Muni. All the words that are either synonyms or epithets of Indra are taken directly from Rigveda Mantras. I have been studying and contemplating on the divine powers and personalities of Devas who are invoked in Rigveda since three decades. However, it was a very challenging task to find corresponding words in English for thousand names of Indra spread in hundreds of Rigveda Mantras in different Mandalas that are ascribed to Indra. I have pondered over the import of each word by virtually going through a large number of Mantras in which these synonyms and epithets of Deva - Indra are found. I am greatly benefited by the spiritual interpretation given by my Guru, Prof. R. L. Kashyap for all the Mandalas of Rigveda (published by Sakshi Trust, Bangalore). I offer my deepest reverence to him.

Finally I bow down with humility to the power of Indra which pushed me ahead in this endeavor. I am only instrumental in his divine plan. In this translation, I hope that English readers would get a glimpse of spiritual and psychological import of Veda Mantras visualized by great sages.

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ઇન્દ્રસહસ્રનામસ્તોત્રં સાર્થમ્

૧ પ્રથમં નામશતકમ્

ઇન્દ્રોદેવતમોડનીલઃ સુપર્ણઃ પૂર્ણબન્ધુરઃ l વિશ્વસ્ય દમિતા વિશ્વશ્યેશાનો વિશ્વચર્ષણિઃ ॥ ૧॥

1. Indra is the highest deva among all devas. He is the great bird (Suparna -garuda) without any abode/ moves swiftly like mind. He who has fully loaded chariot; tames all opponents. He is the ruler of the universe. He sees all.

Additional information: Indra is the great bird (Suparna -garuda) without any abode. This epithet indicates very significant power and activity (work) of Indra. He is recognized as the 'divine mind' of the Supreme by Shri Aurobindo who has shown how all Devas are different powers and personalities of the Supreme. They take birth in us when invoked and give their powers as per our aspirations. When looked at spiritual interpretation; Indra being the divine mind moves swiftly like Garuda with strong wings. He does not need any particular abode/His power is in everything.

વિશ્વાનિ ચક્રિવિશ્વસ્માદુત્તરો વિશ્વભૂર્બૃહન્ I ચેકિતાનો વર્તમાનઃ સ્વધયાડચક્રયા પરઃ II ૨ II

2. Indra is capable of all (good) actions, he is above all, the Supreme, leader and creator of the universe. Mighty Indra fills the universe with his rays (Sun, universal knowledge), moves by his own will/ Inherent Power (swadha) without any vehicle which needs wheels to move.

વિશ્વાનરો વિશ્વરૂપો વિશ્વાયુર્વિશ્વતસ્પૃથુઃ I વિશ્વકર્મા વિશ્વદેવો વ્હશ્વતો ધીરનિષ્કૃતઃ II ૩ II 3. Indra is the creator of the universe, has universal form, universal life, widely extended in the entire universe with universal activity. He is the universal deity, universal thought (divine mind) and stands above any reproach.

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ત્રિષુજાતસ્તિગ્મશર્ુગો દેવો બ્રધ્નોડરુષશ્ચરન્ l
રુચાનઃ પરમો વિદ્વાન્ અરુચો રોચયન્નજઃ ॥ ૪॥
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4.Indra Deva who knows all the three worlds is perceived as sharp - horned bull on the move (always moving). Most powerful, great Indra is shining with wisdom, he is self luminous and gives light (knowledge) to light - less (place/people).

Additional information:

Here, light may be taken as the Sun - light and also as knowledge (spiritual wisdom). Indra is known in Veda mantras as a bestower of knowledge by eradicating the negative forces operating in the mind of the aspirants. Indra destroys vritra who is recognized as a negative force who blocks the light/knowledge and waters which are recognized as dynamic forces. Rigveda Mantra 1.7.3. says that Indra placed (raised) the Sun in dyu - loka for eternal vision.

Surface meaning of the second line of Rigveda Mantra 1.7.3. says, 'Indra smashed the hill (adrim) by cows (goobhih).'

Spiritual meaning:

Indra destroyed the ignorance (adrim) of aspirants by (bestowing) knowledge (goobhih).

Vritra is seen clearly in Mahabharata (Ashvamedha parva 11.7.20) as the powerful negative force. Indra destroys him with his special weapon Vajra. Vajra is interpreted there as the discriminating power which can destroy the negative thoughts/instincts. (Shri Kapali Shastri)

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જ્યેષ્ઠો જનાનાં વૃષભો જ્યોતિર્જ્યેષ્ઠં સહોમહિ l
અભિક્રતુનાં દમિતા ધર્તા વિશ્વસ્ય કર્મણઃ ll પ ll
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5. Indra is Jyeshtha (eldest/earliest form) Deva (divine mind of Supreme), he is the most powerful bull among mortals, gives supreme light. Great Indra who has superb strength destroys those who work against cosmic order and sustains universal activity.

ધર્તા ધનાનં ધાતુણાં ધાતા ધિરો ધિયેષિતઃ 1

યજ્ઞસ્ય સાધનો યજ્ઞો યજ્ઞવાહા અપામજઃ ॥ ૬॥

6. Indra is the possessor/sustainer of wealth, supporter of supporters (of yajna), brave, driven by thought (mind). He accomplishes and upholds the yajna. He (himself) is the yajna. He releases the water blocked by Vritra (negative forces).

Refer: Mantra 3.32.12 - Yajna becomes your protector in the killing of Ahi by vajra.

યકાં જુષાણો યજતો યુક્તગ્રાવ્ણોડવિતેષિરઃ I સુવજ્જશ્ચવનો યોદ્ધા યશસો યક્ષિયો યહુઃ II ૭ II

7. Indra desires (needs) yajna. He is the master of yajna. He is endowed with swift movements. Protects the soma presser in sacrifices. He has well designed Vajra (weapon / discriminatory power) The great warrior casts down the foe. Glorious Indra is the son of power (Sahasa - Agni).

અવયાતા દુર્મતીનાં હન્તા પાપસ્ય રક્ષસઃ l ફશસ્ય ચોદિતા ફત્રઃ ફતબ્રહમા ધૃતવ્રતઃ ll ૮ ll

8. Indra gives protection (to aspirants) from people with evil thoughts, destroys people who protects sinful people. He propels the (mind of) weak. He is the master of action. He upholds divine law. Creator of Mantra (Brahma).

ધૃણવોજા અવિતાધીનાં ધનાનાં સગ્જિદચ્યુતઃ l વિહન્તા તમસસ્ત્વષ્ટા તનુપાસ્તરુતાતુરઃ ll ૯ ll

9. Indra's vigor is spontaneous. He supports people endowed with great mental power (dhee), collects wealth, stands erect (immovable like mountain). Created all forms in the Universe, Twashta (Indra) disperses the all-pervading forces of ignorance. Indra is the guardian. He ferries, protects with rapid force.

ત્વેષનૃમ્ણસ્ત્વેષ્સંદૃક્ તુરાષાડપરાજિતઃ । તુગ્ગ્રાવૃધોદસ્મતમઃ તુવિકૂર્મિતમસ્તુજઃ ॥ ૧૦॥

10. Indra who has radiating might crushes the foes swiftly. He is the supreme, performs many great deeds (tasks) and remains undefeated. Protects being firm in strong currents of water.

વૃષપ્રભર્મા વિશ્વાનિ વિદ્વાનાદક્ષૂર્દિરસ્તવાઃ । મન્દ્રો મતીનાં વૃષભો મરુત્વાન્મરુતામૃષિઃ ॥ ૧૧ ॥ 11. Indra brings felicities in abundance (vrisha=Indra), He knows everything, causes discomfort to foes. He is strong, bestows good thoughts (mati to aspirants). filled with delight/overjoyed, lord of good thoughts, accompanied with Maruts. He is the seer among Maruts.

મહાહસ્તી ગણપતિર્ધિયં જિન્વો બૃહસ્પતિઃ l માહિનો મધવા મન્દી મર્કોડર્કો મેધિરો મહાન્ ॥ ૧૨॥

12. Bountiful Indra (has liberal hands to give), Master of gana (Mantra gana), He is Brihaspati, master of knowledge of Riks, Maghavan. Indra enjoys, he is purifier, wise. He is the Sun (giver of spiritual light), supreme.

II ઇતિ પ્રથમં નામશતકમ્ II

ર દ્વિતીયં નામશતકમ્

પ્રતિરૂપઃપરોમાત્રઃપુરુરૂપઃપુરુષ્ટુતઃ l પુરુહુતઃ પુરઃ સ્થાતાઃપુરુમાયઃ પુરન્દરઃ ll ૧૩ l

13. Indra is beyond measures (limitless), has many forms, he has the counter form for all the forms created/replica. He is invoked and lauded by many. Indra is stationed in front (of aspirant / yajamana of yajna), He performs variety of deeds. He is the tearer of cities (structures of the forces of ignorance).

Pura = physical body = humans)

Refer: Mantra 6.47.18: To every form, Indra has remained the counter-form, that is his form for us to face and see. By his maya powers, he moves on endowed with many forms, for yoked are his thousand steeds. (Quoted in Br.U. (2.5.19), as part of the exposition of Madhu-vidya. See Shri Kapali Sastry, "Lights on the Upanishads", SAKSI).

પુરુપ્રશસ્તઃ પુરુકૃત્ પુરાં દર્તા પુરૂતમઃ । પુરુગૂર્તઃ પૃત્સુજેતા પુરુવર્પાઃ પ્રવેપની ॥ ૧૪ ॥

14. Indra is widely lauded in yajna, Performer of many deeds, shatters wide range of cities, He manifests in manifold ways (in aspirants), Indra is the victor in many battles. He is spread (everywhere) in many forms.

પપ્રિઃ પ્રચેતઃ પરિભુઃ પનીયાનપ્રતિષ્કૃતઃ I

પ્રવૃદ્ધઃ પ્રવયાઃ પાતા પૂષણવાનન્તરા ભરઃ ॥ ૧૫॥

15. Indra is Prachetasa who is consciously active, (helps the aspirant) abides in the supreme (parame vyoman), most praiseworthy, he cannot be covered. Indra increases in strength within (aspirants), grows abundantly, gives protections being accompanied by Pushan, brings protection within.

પુરુશાકઃ પાગ્ચજન્યઃ પુરુભોજાઃ પુરુવસુઃ l પિશડ્ગરાતિઃ પપુરિઃ પુરોયોધઃ પૃથુજયા ॥ ૧૬॥

16. Indra is helpful, he is with panchajana ("pancha jana - five classes of people" - interpreted differently by many scholars). Devours variety of knowledge. Master of variety of wealth. Indra is resplendent (like gold), filled with energy, warrior who has destroyed the Dasyus and leads (aspirants) again and again.

પ્રરિક્વ પ્રદિવઃ પૂર્વ્યઃ પુરોભૂઃ પૂર્વજા ઋષિः । પ્રણેતા પ્રમતિઃ પન્યઃ પૂર્વયાવા પ્રભૂવસૃઃ ॥ ૧૭॥

17. Indra exceeds both Earth and Heaven, He is the most ancient deva who performs many deeds, appears in manifold ways. He is the first born, Rishi. He leads with guiding thoughts. Wonderful Indra is the lord of great wealth. He is the first born among Devas and humans.

પ્રયજ્યુઃ પાવકઃ પૂષા પદવીઃ પથિકૃત્પતિઃ l પુરુત્મા પલિતોહેતા પ્રહેતા પ્રાવિતા પિતા ॥ ૧૮॥

18. Indra contnues to be in yajna/comes forward, he is with Pushan, purifys. He is the constructor of paths, is present every where, has grown with times. He is the shooter who smites and not smitten. He is the father and protector.

પુરુનૃમ્ણઃ પર્વતેષ્ઠાઃ પ્રાચામન્યુઃ પુરોહિતઃ । પુરાંભિન્દુરનાધૃષ્યઃ પુરાજાઃ પપ્રથિન્તમઃ ॥ ૧૯॥

19. Indra is the warrior with variegated strength, dwells in the summits (of consciousness), his wrath moves upward, stationed in front He is the destroyer of cities. He is firm, invincible, shows the right path (to aspirants).

પૃતનાષાડ્ બાહુશર્ધી બૃહદ્રેણુરનિષ્ટૃતः । અભિભૂતિરયોપાષ્ટિઃ બૃહદ્રેરપિધાનવાન્ ॥ ૨૦॥ 20. Indra endowed with mighty arms is the conqueror in many battles, He stirs up great dust (in his movements) remains unmoved, he overcomes (the foes) alone/unhurt. He approaches with iron-like heels, He is mighty. Removes the covering of Light (knowledge).

બ્રહ્મપ્રિયો બ્રહ્મજૂતો બ્રહ્મવાહા અરડ્ગમઃ l બોધિન્મના અવક્રક્ષી બૃહદ્ભાનુરમિત્રહા ll ૨૧ ll

21. Indra loves the Mantra, is impelled by Mantras, upholder of Mantra, he is ready with his mighty movements. He has awakened mind, is undecaying and is with enormous luster, kills the foes.

ભૂરિકર્મા ભરેકૃતુર્ભદ્રકૃદ્ ભાવરોભૃમિઃ । ભરેષુ હવ્યો ભૂર્યોજાઃ પુરોહાપ્રાશુષાત્ પ્રષાટ્ ॥ ૨૨॥

22. Indra is the doer of many deeds / great tasks in battles, is blissful with the prayers. Indra is invoked in yajnas, he is with abundant vigor, wanders everywhere, destroys the cities, overcomes the foes and offers perfect protection.

પ્રભડ્ગીમહિષો ભીમો ભૂર્યાસુતિરશસ્તિહા l પ્રસક્ષી વિશ્પતિર્વીરઃ પરસ્પાઃ શવસ્સસ્પતિઃ ॥ ૨૩॥

23. Indra is mighty, fierce, manifests the force wholly, destroys the evil. He is lauded with soma offerings, He is the lord of luminous strength, guardian of people, hero, protector, lord of luminous strength.

॥ ઇતિ દ્વિતીયં નામશતકમ્ ॥

3 તૃતીયં નામશતકમ્

પુરુદત્રઃ પિતૃતમઃ પુરુક્ષુર્ભીગુઃ પણિઃ । પ્રત્વાક્ષાણઃ પુરાં દર્માપનસ્યુર્ભિમાતિહા ॥ ૨૪॥

24. Indra is the generous giver, He is very fatherly, He is the possessor of excellent and beautiful riches. Possessor of abundant knowledge (go /gava = knowledge), He fights against the Panis. He cuts (unwanted thoughts), He destroys the cities (of foes); works hard, kills the arrogant (foes).

પૃથિવ્યા વૃષભઃ પ્રતાઃ પ્રમન્દી પ્રથમઃ પૃથુઃ I

ત્યઃ સમુદ્રવ્યચાઃ પાયુઃ પ્રકેતશ્વર્ષણીસહઃ ॥ ૨૫॥

25. Indra is the strong master of the earth, the ancient lord, enjoys chanting of Mantras, the eldest and the lord of all, He is spread widely, He shatters the foes, enjoys abundant Soma, most intelligent (conscious - praketa), helps who have the power of (spiritual) vision.

કારુધાયાઃ કવિવૃધઃ કનીનઃ ક્રતુમાન્ક્રતુઃ l ક્ષપાવસ્તા કવિતમો ગિર્વાહાઃ કીરિચોદનઃ ॥ ૨૬॥

26. Indra increases (his power) and upholds the Rishis (Seers) who sing (Mantras), he has mighty will (power) since birth, eradicates darkness (brings light), greatest among great Seers, upholds the word (Veda) drives the singers forward to felicities.

Kavi is the Rishi (Seer) who can see (vision) beyond the perception of normal sensory organs.

ક્ષપાવાન્કૌશિકઃ કારી રાજાક્ષમ્યસ્ય ગોપતિઃ l ગૌર્ગોર્દુરો દુરોડશ્વસ્ય યવસ્યદુર આદુરિઃ ll ૨૭ ll

27 Indra is the son of Kushika, protector of Earth, is vigilant in nights, king of settlements on earth, protector of cows (knowledge), He is the Cow (go - knowledge). He is the destroyer of darkness, opens the doors of light (knowledge), life - energies (Ashva) and material forces.

Symbolically 'Go' is light and knowledge and 'Ashva' stands for Pranashakti - life energies. Kshapavan also gives the meaning, 'Indra who accepts Soma in the nights'. Indra is also depicted as 'Milch - Cow' (Kamadhenu).

ચન્દ્રબુધ્રશ્રર્ષણિપ્રાશ્ચકૃત્યશ્ચોદયન્મતિઃ l ચન્દ્રભાનુશ્ચિત્રતમશ્ચમ્રીષશ્ચચક્રમાસજઃ ll ૨૮ ll

28. Indra is embedded in delight. He bestows proficiency, impels intellect.

Radiant / wonderful. Indra holds Vajra (discus) firmly with brilliant might.

Symbolically 'Vajra' stands for discriminatory power (viveka). Indra dispels ignorance (ajnana) of aspirants by (Vajra) giving them discriminatory power.

તુવિશુષ્મસ્તુવિદ્યુમ્નસ્તુવિજાતસ્તુવીમધः । તુવિકૃર્મિસ્તુવિમ્નક્ષસ્તુવિશગ્મસ્તુવિપ્રતિઃ ॥ ૨૯॥ 29. Indra who takes many births appears/manifests (in different forms) in front of number of aspirants and protects number of seekers. He is the doer of many tasks. He has great powers, variegated strength, radiance and affluence.

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તુવિનૃમ્ણસ્તુવિગ્રીવસ્તુવિરાધાસ્તુવિક્રતુઃ ।
તુવિમાત્રસ્તુવિગ્રાભસ્તુવિદેષ્ણસ્તુવિષ્વણિઃ ॥ ૩૦॥
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30. Indra has many powers, mighty neck, accompanied with many strengths (Maruts etc.), manifold will power. He appears ever growing, accepts numerous offerings and gives many felicities.

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તૂતુજિત્સ્તવસસ્તક્વસ્તુવિગ્રિસ્તુર્વણિસ્ત્રદઃ ।
રથેષ્ઠસ્તરણિસ્તુમ્રસ્ત્વિષીમાનનપચ્યુતઃ ॥ ૩૧॥
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31. Indra is the distributor/promoter of great felicities. He is the great leader, moves swiftly. Resplendent Indra is adorable, mighty, moves swiftly like steed (in battles) seated in the chariot, destroys the foes. He can not be overpowered by foes.

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તોદસ્તરુત્રસ્તવિષી મુષાણસ્તવિષસ્તુરા l
તિતિર્વા તતુરિસ્ત્રાતા ભૂર્ણિસ્તૂર્ણસ્તવસ્તરઃ ॥ ૩૨॥
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32. Indra who is like a whip (leads on the right path) saves aspirant across. He consumes strength (of foes), vigorous, swift, smites and overcomes the foes. He has everything in him. Enormously strong Indra protects aspirants to swiftly cross (worldly as well as spiritual adversities).

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યજ્ઞવૃદ્ધો યજ્ઞિયાનાં પ્રથમો યજ્વનો વૃધઃ I
અમિત્રખાદોડનિમિષો વિષુણોડસુન્વન્તોડજુરઃ II ૩૩ II
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33. Indra grows/gets strength by yajna (by soma - chanting), he is the master (supreme) of yajna, increases his powers by yajna. Indra's eyes do not wink, he rushes like bull and destroys foes. He turns away from yajna where Soma is not prepared.

Unwinking: staying without winking is one among many special features of devatas.

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અક્ષિતોતિર્દાભ્યોડર્યઃ શિપ્રિણીવાનગોરુઢઃ ।
આશ્રુત્કર્ણોડન્તરિક્ષપ્રા અમિતૌજા અરિષ્ટુતઃ ॥ ૩૪॥
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34. Indra enjoys numerous wealth, he is honest, unquestionable hero. He is filled with light (knowledge). He listens from everywhere, stationed in mid region (antariksha), has unlimited strength and praised by warriors.

Yask Maharshi's Nirukta gives the meaning of 'shipri' as ray of light; 'shiprivan': filled with light. Shipra also means jaw. It may be taken as hero with firm jaws.

II ઇતિ તૃતીયં નામશતકમ્ II

૪ ચતુર્થં નામશતકમ્

અદૃષ્ટ એકરાડૂર્ધ્વ ઊર્ધ્વસાનઃ સનાદ્યુવા l સ્થિરઃ સૂર્યઃ સ્વભૂત્યોજાઃ સત્યરાધાઃ સનશ્રુતઃ ll ૩૫ ll

35. Indra is imperceptible, eternal, lord of energies, moves in the upper regions, raises upwards, stable, Sun who stimulates activity, stands with his own might, shining with Truth, well known.

પ્રકલ્પઃ સત્ત્વાનાં કેતુરચ્યુતચ્યુદુરુવ્યચાઃ l શવસી સ્વપતિઃ સ્વોજાઃ શચીવાનવિદીધયુઃ ॥ ૩૬॥

36. Indra is the initiator, intuition in aspirants, moves the unmovables, unassailable, far reaching, master of himself with his own strength. He who has the power (shachi), gives the light which does not scatter.

Shachi is the power of Indra. He is depicted as Shachivan, lord of Shachi in many Mantras. Refer R:1.54.2. It is the name of the spouse of Indra in Puranas.

સત્યશુષ્મઃ સત્યસત્વા સૂનુઃ સત્યસ્યસોમપાઃ l દસ્યોર્હન્તા દિવો ધર્તા રાજા દિવ્યસ્ય ચેતનઃ ll ૩૭ ll

37. Indra has unfailing strength, warrior of the Sattva (Truth), the son of Truth, drinker of Soma, slays the Dasyus, Supports both the heaven and the mid world, He is the King, divine consciousness (chetana).

ઋગ્મિયોડર્વા રોચમાનો રભોદા ઋતપા ઋતઃ I ઋજીષી રણકદ્રેવા નૃત્વિયો રધ્નચોદનઃ II ૩૮ II 38. Indra is (becomes) the Mantra (Rik), makes aspirant to shine, imparts strength, protector of Truth. He is the Truth, true in his being, gives happiness (riches), affluent and inspires to get happiness (riches).

Indra manifests as the Rik Mantra with proper chanting in yajna.

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ઋષ્વોરાયોડવનીરાજા રચિસ્થાનો રદાવસુઃ l
ઋભુક્ષા અનિમાનોડશ્ચઃ સહમાનઃ સમુદ્રિયઃ II ૩૯ II
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39. Indra is magnificent/noble, with abundant bliss, King, source of felicities, bestows felicities, chief of Ribhus (heavenly craftsmen), limitless. He is Ashva (life -energies), forceful, holds riches like ocean.

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ઋણકાતિર્ગિર્વર્ણસ્યુઃ કીજઃ ખિદ્ધાખજકુરઃ l
ઋજીષો વસુવિદ્વેન્યો વાજેષુ દધૃષઃ કવિઃ ॥ ૪૦॥
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40. Indra demands commitment. He is wonderful, seeks joy in the Word (Veda), he causes misery (to the foes), initiator of battles, remover (of foes). He has riches, is attractive, victor with abundant felicities. He is the Seer/Rishi.

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વિરપ્શી વીલિતો વિપ્રો વિશ્વવેદા ઋતાવૃધઃ l
ઋતયૃગ્ધર્મકૃદ્ધેનુર્ધનજિદ્ધામવર્મવાટ્ ॥ ૪૧॥
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41. Indra, the lord of opulence, weakens the foes. Illumined Indra is omniscient, increases the Rita (self law), yoked with Truth, law maker, milching cow, conqueror of riches, abode of all aspirations, strong with armor.

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ઋતેજાઃ સક્ષણિઃ સોમ્યઃ સંસૃષ્ટિજિદ્દભુષ્ઠિરઃ l
ઋતયુઃ સબલઃ સહ્યુર્વજવાહા ઋચીષમઃ ॥ ૪૨॥
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42. Indra is born in the Truth, overcomes all adversaries, He is Soma (soma yajna), collaborates (with his aids), follows Rita, strong, victorious holding vajra. He is the very light (knowledge imbibed) of the Riks.

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ઋગ્મીદધૃષ્વાનૃષ્વૌજાઃ સુગોપાઃ સ્વયશસ્તરઃ l
સ્વભિષ્ટિસુમ્રઃ સેહાનઃ સુનીતિઃ સુકૃતઃ શુચિઃ ll ૪૩ ll
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43. Indra knows the Riks, overthrows the foes, has great vigor, strong protector, glorious, gives desired felicities, defeats (the foes), leader, gives good direction, Pure with auspicious deeds.

ઋણયાઃ સહસઃ સૂનુઃ સુદાનુઃ સગણો વસુઃ l સ્તોમ્યઃ સમદ્રા સત્રાહા સ્તોમવાહા ઋતીષહઃ ll જ\ll

44. Indra fulfills obligations, he is the son of energy is on move, he is the great giver, endowed with followers/attendants, donor of riches, worthy to be invoked (stomyaḥ), enjoys with yajniks, kills foes. He is the achiever of many deeds, subdues adversaries.

II ઇતિ ચતુર્થં નામશતકમ્ II

પ પગ્ચમં નામશતકમ્

શવિષ્ઠઃ શવસઃ પુત્રઃ શતમન્યુઃ શતક્રતુઃ l શકઃ શિક્ષાનરઃ શુષ્મી શ્રૃત્કર્ણઃ શ્રવયત્સખા ॥ ૪૫॥

45. Mighty Indra is impetuous, has done many deeds (shatakratu). He is Shakra/mighty the instructor, showers powerful (bliss), blazing, has the ears to hear (the prayers), opens up the ears (of aspirants to receive knowledge) like a friend.

Shatakratu is a synonym of Indra in Puranas which says that he has performed one hundred yajnas (kratus).

શતમૂતિઃ શર્ધનીતિઃ શતનીયઃ શતામઘઃ I શ્વોકી શિવતમઃ શ્રુત્યં નામબિભ્રદનાનતઃ II ૪૬ II

46. Indra has hundredfold growth/progress (uuti) with glorious deeds attained in many ways, opulent, has luminous energy, purest, bears the title as (source of) inspiration (shrutyam). He is unbending (firm).

શૂરઃ શિપ્રી સહસ્રોતિઃ શુભ્રઃ શરૃક્ષૂડ્ગવૃષોનપાત્ l શાસઃ શાકી શ્રવસ્કામઃ શવસાવાનહંસનઃ ll ૪૭ ll

47. Valiant Indra has strong chin (mighty). Son of sage Shringavrisha (fashioned by sage with special hymns), has abundant growth. He is chaste, abides by his law, likes the inspired knowledge. He is confident of himself.

સુરૂપકૃત્રુરીશાનઃ શૂશુવાનઃ શચીપતિઃ l સતીનસત્વા સનિતા શક્તીવાનમિતકતુઃ ॥ ૪૮॥ 48. Indra fashions perfect forms, has abundant strength/absolute control, Ruler, lord of energies (shachi), bestows true power, dynamic, possesses force and boundless Will power. Refer Rigveda:1.4.1 and 6.47.18 Fashions perfect forms.

સહસ્રચેતાઃ સુમનાઃ શ્રુત્યઃ શુદ્ધઃ શ્રુતામઘઃ l સત્રાદાવા સોમપાવા સુક્રતુઃ શ્મશ્રુષુ શ્રિતઃ ll ૪૯ ll

49. Indra is endowed with variegated thoughts, right minded. Drinker of Soma is the great donor. He hears (prayers) well, Pure, has knowledge and perfect Will power. He is dedicated (fights battles with dedication) in battles.

ચોદપ્રવૃદ્ધો વિશ્વસ્ય જગતઃ પ્રાણતસ્પતિઃ l ચૌત્રઃ સુપ્રકરસોના ચક્રમાનઃ સદાવૃધઃ ll ૫૦ ll

50. Indra grows with inspiration (impelled prayers), is the lord of all that moves and breathes, swiftly destroys (cities of hostiles), his arms are upheld (for protection), desirous (of soma - prayers), increases force always (in aspirants).

સ્વભિષ્ટિઃ સત્પતિઃ સત્યશ્ચારુર્વીરતમશ્ચતી l ચિત્રશ્ચિકિત્વાનાજાતા પ્રતિમાનં સતઃ સતઃ Il પ૧ II

51. Indra is joyful, Truthful, lord of existence (all that exists). Charming Indra is the supreme hero, supports truth/ destroyer of foes, has strong variegated thoughts, he commands In front (of the battle), he becomes the form and the measure of each existing thing.

સ્થાતાઃ સચેતાઃ સદિવઃ સુદંસાઃ સુશ્રવસ્તમઃ l સહોદઃ સુશ્રુતઃ સમ્રાટ્સૂપારઃ સુન્વતઃ સખા ll પર ll

52. Indra mounted in his chariot, is conscious, luminous with perfect deeds. He is with perfect inspirations, bestower of strength, has inspired knowledge. He is the sovereign, carries (aspirants) safely through. He is the friend of one who prepares Soma.

બ્રહ્મવાહસ્તમો બ્રહ્મા વિષ્ણુર્વસ્વઃપતિહીરેઃ l રણાય સંસ્કૃતો રુદ્રો રણિતેશાનકૃચ્છિવઃ ll પ૩ ll

53. Indra is upholder of Mantras, well known. He is Mantra, he is Vishnu/he pervades everything, lord of treasures. He is with green steeds (hari) lord of treasures. He is Hara, Rudra/who roars, fights perfect battles, He is law maker, enjoys (Soma).

વિપ્રજૂતો વિપ્રતમો યહ્નો વજી હિરણ્યયઃ । વવ્રો વીરતરોવાયુર્માતરિશ્વા મરુત્સખા ॥ પ૪॥

54. Indra is illumined thinker, supreme Rishi, mighty, holder of Vajra, blissful, radiant, covers the source (of foes), great hero. He is Vayu/vital energy, Matarishva who is always on move/brings fire, friend of Maruts.

ગૂર્તશ્રવા વિશ્વગૂર્તો વન્દનશ્રુદ્ધિચક્ષણઃ I વૃષ્ણિર્વસુપતિર્વાજી વૃષ્ઠભો વાજિની વસુઃ II પપ II

55. Indra who is lauded by all brings inspired knowledge, good listener of prayers, spreads rapidly, manifests (with his troop when invoked), He is the lord of riches born of plentitude. Mighty Indra is possessor of riches.

vrishni: one who showers knowledge and power. Indra rushes to help aspirants along with his aids. Refer R:1.10.2.

II ઇતિ પગ્ચમં નામશતકમ્ II

૬ ષષ્ઠં નામશતકમ્

વિગ્રો વિભીષણો વિ્રદૃંહાયુર્વિશ્રુતો વૃષા l વ્રજભુદ્વત્રહા વૃદ્ધો વિશ્વવારો વૃતઞ્ચયઃ ll પદ ll

56. Indra is wise, terrible to opponents, carries the oblations, ancient, popular who enjoys in heaven. Kills Vritra holding Vajra, increases his power in aspirants and grants all desirable things to aspirants.

વૃષજૂતિર્વૃષરથો વૃષભાન્નો વૃષકતુઃ l વૃષકર્મા વૃષમણાઃ સુદક્ષઃ સુન્વતો વૃધઃ ll ૫૭ ll

57. Indra moves with great speed in his mighty ratha, he is showerer of food (felicity), is endowed with abundant will power showers the grace magnanimously. Great astute Indra (power) grows within aspirants. Liberal benefactor bestows wealth and nourishment.

અદ્ગોઘવાગસુરહા વેધાઃ સત્રાકરોડજરઃ I અપારઃ સહવોડભીરુરભિભડ્ગોડડ્ગિરસ્તમઃ II ૫૮ II 58. Indra is devoid of evil in his speech, killer of demons, Creator, works eternally, immortal, limitless, with his aids, destroys enemies. He is the most renowned Angira.

અમર્ત્યઃ સ્વાયુધોડશત્રુરપ્રતીતોડભિમાતિષાટ્ I અમત્રી સૂનુરર્ચત્રઃ સમદ્દિષ્ટિરભયકુરઃ II ૫૯ II

59. Immortal Indra has the perfect weapon, has no enemy, irresistible, rejoices together, mighty, born within aspirants, most worthy to be worshiped, auspicious, eradicates fear.

Refer Mantra 1.103.4 Indra bears the name.

તદ્યુષે માનુષેમા યુગાનિ કીર્તેન્યં મઘવા નામ બિભ્રત્ I

ઉપપ્રયન્દસ્યુહત્યાય વજી યધ્દ્ર સૂનુઃ શ્રવસે નામ દર્ધે ॥ ૧.૧૦૩.૦૪

"the son of inspired hearing" 'Nama', the name of devas, carries the power associated and it reveals in the person doing 'Namajapa'.

અભિનેતા સ્પાર્હરાધાઃ સપ્તરશ્મિરભિષ્ટિકૃત્ l અનર્વાસ્વર્જિદિષ્કર્તા સ્તોતૃણામવિતોપરઃ II ૬૦ II

60. Indra the leader, likes opulence, is with seven rays (knowledge), fulfills desires, has no opposition (moves without steeds), conqueror, protects who chants Mantras, restores (the lost limb or riches).

Refer Mantra 8.1.12 When the great mystic poet Vasishta Ganapati Muni (1878-1936) was involved in a bus accident, his son had a fracture in his hand. The Muni uttered this mantra at once for healing the bones. His bones healed quickly.

અજાતશત્રુઃ સેનાનિ રુભયાવ્યુભયકુરઃ l ઉરુગાયઃ સત્યયોનિઃ સહસ્વાનુર્વરાપતિઃ ll ૬૧ ll

61. Indra has no enemy born, leads the army, has access and act in both heaven and earth, supports all, he is the womb of the truth, mighty, lord of life-energy.

ઉગ્રો ગોપ ઉગ્રબાહુરુગ્રધન્વોક્થવર્ધનઃ l ગાથશ્રવા ગિરાં રાજા ગમ્મીરો ગિર્વણસ્તમઃ ll ૬૨ ll

62. Indra is fierce, protects, has powerful bow in his strong arms, increases his power (in aspirants) with chanting, gives inspired knowledge. He is the supreme lord of spoken words (chanting).

વજહસ્તચર્ષણીનાં વૃષભો વજદક્ષિણઃ I

સોમકામઃ સોમપતિઃ સોમવૃદ્ધઃ સુદક્ષિણઃ ॥ ૬૩॥

63. Vajra-armed Indra, mighty Vrishbha for Rishis. He operates Vajra with discrimination, desires Soma, delight. He is the lord of Soma, grows with delight.

સુબ્રહમા સ્થવિરઃ સૂરઃ સહિષ્ટઃ સપ્રથાઃ સરાટ્ l હરિશ્મશારુહેરિવાન્હરીણાં પતિરસ્તૃતઃ ll ૬૪ ll

64. Indra is with perfect Mantra, stable, the Sun, overthrows foes who confront, spreading light widely, has shining beard, lord of steeds and invincible.

હિરણ્યબાહુરુર્વ્યૂતિહીરિકેશો હિરીમશઃ l હરિશિપ્રો હર્યમાણો હરિજાતો હરિમ્ભરઃ ll ૬૫ ll

65. Indra has golden arms, gives enormous protection, has lustrous hair, shining steeds, strong jaws, fills with luster and delight, rejoices with the work done.

હિરણ્યવર્ણો હર્યશ્રો હરિવર્પા હરિપ્રિયઃ I હનિષ્ઠો હર્યક્ષ્વો હવ્યો હરિષ્ઠા હરિયોજનઃ II ૬૬ II

66. Indra is of golden color, has golden steeds, shining form, lover of steeds, slayer, luminous, offering of yajna, yokes the steeds.

II ઇતિ ષષ્ઠં નામશતકમ્ II

૭ સપ્તમં નામશતકમ્

સત્વા સુશિપ્રઃ સુક્ષત્રઃ સુવીરઃ સુતપા ઋષિઃ l ગાથાન્યો ગોત્રભિદગ્રામં વહમાનો ગવેષણઃ ll ૬૭ ll

67. Indra is warrior, with strong jaws, mighty, rejoicer of Soma, Rishi, breaks enclosures (water and light), moves with his entourage, He is worthy of the praises, seeker of knowledge.

જિષ્ણુસ્તસ્થુષ ઈશાનો ઈશાનો જગતો નૃતુઃ l નર્યાણિ વિદ્વાન્નપતિઃ નેતાનૃમ્ણસ્ય તૃતુજિઃ ll ૬૮ ll

68. Victorious Indra is the lord of all that is moving and all that is non-moving He dances (with delight). He is the lord of human beings, knows all the actions related to human beings, regulates the waters, distributes great wealth.

નિમેધમાનો નર્યાપાઃ સિન્ધૂનાં પતિરુત્તરः । નર્યો નિયુત્વાન્નિચિતો નક્ષદ્દાભોનહુષ્ટરः ॥ ૬૯॥

69. Indra has the divine powers of work, regulates rain fall, lord of all the streams, has the power of Godhead, joins with divine, strong, overcomes the foes assailing in front, creates bonds (between humans and devas).

નવ્યો નિધાતા નૃમણાઃ સધ્રીચીનઃ સુતરેણઃ I નૃતમાનો નદનુમાત્રવીયાત્રૃતમોનૃજિત્ II ૭૦ II

70. Indra is fashioned newly (by Rishi), supports, full of vigor, staying together, happy with soma, dancing, enjoys (in yajna), finds new aspirant, supreme among men (divine), conquers fertile lands.

વિચયિષ્ઠો વજબાહુર્વૃત્રખાદોવલં રુજઃ l જાતૂભર્મા જયેષ્ઠતમો જનભક્ષો જનંસહઃ ॥ ૭૧॥

71. Indra effaces the sin (of devotees), has strong arms, destroyer of Vritra, shatterer of Vala, he is thunder - armed, the most supreme, overthrows the strong opponents. He is the patron of people.

વિશ્વાષાકુંસગોવસ્થાન્નિષ્પાડશનિમાન્નૃષાટ્ । પૂર્ભિત્પુરાષાડભિષાટ્ જગતસ્તસ્થુષસ્પતિઃ ॥ ૭૨॥

72. Indra is the universal force, has treasures, impels like bull, distributor (of riches), leader, destroyer of cities (of foes), bestower, is the lord of what moves and what stands still.

સંવૃકસમત્સુસન્ધાતા સુસદ્ભૃદુકસવિતાડરુણઃ l સ્વર્યઃ સ્વરોચિઃ સુત્રામા સ્તૃષ્યેય્યઃ સનજાઃ સ્વરિઃ ॥ ૭૩॥

73. Victorious Indra is capable of joining (limbs) *, observes all, the Sun, Aruna, has perfect weapon, radiant, protector, glorious, self-King.

*Refer Mantra 8.1.12 When the great mystic poet Vasihta Ganapati Muni (1878-1936) was involved in a bus accident, his son had a fracture in his hand. The Muni uttered this mantra at once for healing the bones. His bones healed quickly.

કૃણ્વન્નકેતવે કેતુઃ પેશઃ કૃણ્વન્નપેશસે I વજેણ હત્વી મહિનો મરુત્સ્તોત્રો મરુદ્રઃણઃ II ૭૪ II 74. Indra gives knowledge to ignorants, gives form to formless, smites with Vajra, mighty, praised along with gods Maruts. He is the leader of host of Maruts.

Ketu means ray - knowledge in the spiritual sense, it signifies the vision or the vision of knowledge born of inner understanding, intuition. Indra is the lord of divine mind. He gives the vision of the supra-physical to the Rishi, thus manifesting knowledge for the Rishi who earlier had no knowledge, aketu. (Refer Rig: 1.24.12, 1.3.12. by Prof.R.L.Kashyap)

મહાવીરો મહાવ્રાતો મહાવ્યઃ પ્રમતિર્મહી I માતા મઘોનાં મંહિષ્ઠો મન્યુમિર્મન્યુમત્તમઃ ॥ ૭૫॥

75. Indra is the great hero, does great deeds, guides thoughts, lord of heaven and earth, most generous among wealthy, extremely wrathful.

મેષો મહીવૃન્મન્મદાનો માહિનાવાન્મહેમતિઃ I પ્રક્ષોમૃલિકો મંહિષ્ઠો પ્રક્ષકૃત્વા મહામહઃ II ૭૬ II

76. Celebrated Indra strives with enemies (Ram), releases waters, rejoices, mighty, has vast thought, exceedingly generous, slayer of enemies, graceful, opulent.

મદચુન્મર્ડિતામદ્વા મદાનાં પતિરાતપઃ l સુશસ્તિઃ સ્વસ્તિદાઃ સ્વર્દૃગ્રાધાનામાકરઃ પતિઃ ॥ ૭૭॥

77. Indra dripped with intoxication, bestows felicity to one who offers soma, enjoys soma, lord of ecstasy, torments (the foes). He is praised with proper words (Mantras), stationed in svar loka, Lord of treasures, accomplishes many great deeds.

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૮ અષ્ટમં નામશતકમ્

ઇષુહસ્ત ઇષાં દાતા વસુદાતા વિદદ્ધસુः । વિભૂતિર્વ્યાનાશિર્વેનો વરીયાન્ વિશ્વજિદ્ધિભુः ॥ ૭૮॥

78. Indra has arrow in his hands, gives impulsions, gives felicities, knows the treasures, opulent, pervades everywhere, delightful, superior/excellent, conqueror of all worlds, all-encompassing (found in various forms).

નૃચક્ષાઃ સહુરિઃ સ્વર્વિત્સુયજ્ઞઃ સુષ્ઠુતઃ સ્વયુઃ !

આપિઃ પૃથિવ્યા જનિતા સૂર્યસ્ય જનિતા શ્રુતઃ ॥ ૭૯॥

79. Indra is watching (activities) people (to help), subduer of enemies, knows the world of light (knowledge), performer of perfect yajna, well praised, completely free, originator of Earth and Sun, has inspired knowledge/listens.

ષ્યક્ભુક્વિવહાયાઃ સ્મત્પુતન્ધિર્વૃષપર્વા વૃષન્તમઃ । સાધારણઃ સુખરથઃ સ્વશ્નઃ સત્રાજિદદ્ભુતઃ ॥ ૮૦॥

80. Indra investigates, active, has perfect blissful thoughts, guides with proper steps (to spiritual heights) generous giver of gifts, He is universal, has comfortable chariot with perfect steeds, conqueror of fertile lands. He is wonderful/magnificent.

જ્યેષ્ઠરાજો જીરદાનુર્જગ્મિર્વિત્વક્ષણો વશી । વિધાતા વિશ્વમા આશુર્માયી વૃદ્ધમહાવૃધઃ ॥ ૮૧॥

81. Indra is the supreme king, gives quickly, approaches (to aspirants), Indra cuts asunder the foes, easily attainable, approaches, filled in the universe, has different forms, grows enormously, elevates aspirants.

વરેણ્યો વિશ્વતૂર્વાત્સ્યેશાનો દ્યૌર્વિચર્ષણિઃ l સતીનમન્યુર્ગોદત્રઃ સદ્યોજાતોવિભગ્જનુઃ ll ૮૨ ll

82. Indra is adorable, reaches the goal (helps to reach the goal), lord of horses of the wind-god (Vayu), divine, good observer, full of wrath, gives knowledge, born afresh, distributes well.

વિતન્તસાય્યો વાજાનાં વિભક્તા વસ્વ આકરः । વીરકો વીરયુર્વજં બભ્નિવીરેણ્ય આધૃણિः ॥ ८३॥

83. Indra is revered in battles, distributor of plenitude, creates his own form, goes to aspirants, carries vajra, supreme hero, luminous.

વાજિનેયો વાજનિર્વાજાનાં પતિરાજિકૃત્ I વાસ્તોષ્પતિર્વર્પણીતિર્વિશાં રાજા વપોદરઃ II ૮૪ II

84. Indra is born of plenitude, owns/provides riches, lord of plenitude, battles, Lord of dwellings, destroys demons, king of many places/worlds, has voluminous belly.

વિભૂતદ્યુમ આચક્રિરાદારી દોધતો વધઃ I

આખણ્ડલો દસ્મવર્ચાઃ સર્વસેનો વિમોચનઃ ॥ ૮૫॥

85. Indra is opulent, protector, slayer of evil forces, destroyer of foes, he is powerful, magnificent, lord of all armies, liberator of bonds.

વજસ્ય ભર્તા વાર્યાણાં પતિર્ગોજિદ્ગવાં પતિઃ l વિશ્વવ્યચાઃ સદ્ભગ્ચકાનઃ સુહાર્દો જનિતા દિવઃ ॥ ૮૬॥

86. Indra is bearer of vajra, lord of all aspirations, has mastered knowledge, he is the lord of light/knowledge (go - light), pervades the universe, destroys dark forces, kind hearted, created heaven (mid-world).

સમન્તુનામા પુરુધ પ્રતિકો બૃહતઃ પતિઃ l દીધ્યાનો દામનો દાતા દીર્ઘશ્રવસ ઋભ્વસઃ ॥ ૮૭॥

87. Indra has the name grasped well, performs many great deeds, guardian of the lofty, shining, bestower, gives easily, has inspired knowledge afar (motivates aspirants living far away). He is sacred.

દંસનાવાન્દિવઃ સંમ્રાડ્દેતવજૂતો દિવાવસુઃ l દશમો દેવતા દક્ષો દુધ્રોદ્યુમ્ની દ્યુમન્તમઃ ॥ ८८॥

88. Indra is dynamic/skilled, lord of great heavens, Rishi sent by gods, ruler of heavens, destroyer of demons, divine force. He has understanding mind, irresistible, luminous, made full of light/sparkling.

II ઇત્યષ્ટમં નામશતકમ્ II

૯ નવમં નામશતકમ્

મંહિક્ષુષ્ઠરાતુરિત્થાધીદીંદ્યાનો દધૃષિર્દુધિઃ l દુષ્ટરીતુર્દુશ્ચવનો દિવોમાનો દિવોવૃષા ॥ ૮૯॥

89.Indra gives in abundance, has true thought, shining, spontaneous, vanquisher of foes, invulnerable (to any force), is hard to resist, showerer of delight in heaven filled with divine thoughts.

દક્ષાય્યો દસ્યુહાધૃષ્ણુઃ દક્ષિણાવાન્ ધિયાવસુઃ l ધનસ્પૃદદ્ધિતો ધાતા દયમાનો ધનગ્જયઃ ll ૯૦ ll 90. Indra is all-discerning, killer of dasyu, victorious/ferocious, adjudicator, rich in thought (intellect), seizes the riches (of foes), overcomes foes, supports, giver, conquers treasures (in battles).

દિવ્યો દ્વિબર્હા સન્નાર્યઃ સમર્યસ્ત્રાઃ સિમઃ સખા I દ્યુક્ષઃ સમાનો દંસિષ્ઠો રાધસઃ પતિરધ્રિગુઃ II ૯૧ II

91. Indra is celestial/divine, operates in both planes (heaven and earth), eternal, Arya/noble, comes to battles, savior, noble, friend, destroyer, common (treats aspirants equally), perfect worker, lord of achievements, cannot be seized.

સમ્રાટ્ પૃથિવ્યા ઓજસ્વાન્વયોધા ઋતુપા ઋભુઃ l એકો રાજૈધમાનદ્વિડેકવીર ઉરુજયાઃ ll ૯૨ ll

92. Indra is lord of the Earth, powerful/vigorous, swells. He is guardian of the truth, god Ribhu, only king, enemy of arrogant, combats single handed, moves extensively.

લોકકુજ્જનિતાડશ્ચાનાં જનિતા ગવામ્ I જરિતા જનુષાં રાજા ગિર્વણાઃ સુન્વતોડવિતા II ૯૩ II

93. Indra creates the world (different), gives birth to life-energies (ashva - prana shakti) and knowledge (go), he helps (challenges), ancient, king of mortals/ all living beings, happy with Mantras, protects one who presses out the Soma - delight (released by work done). Many Mantras give clear symbolic meaning of prana shakti and jnana to words 'Ashva' and 'go'.

Refer: 8.36.5

જનિતાશ્વાનાં જનિતા ગવામસિ પિબા સોમં મદાય કં શતક્રતો **!** યં તે ભાગમધારયન્વિશ્વાઃ સેહાનઃ પૃતના ઉરુ જયઃ સમપ્સુજિન્મરુત્વાઁ ઇન્દ્ર સત્પતે **!!** ૮.૦૩૬.૦૫

> અત્કં વસાનઃ કૃષ્ટીનાં રાજોક્થ્યઃ શિપ્રવાનુરુઃ l ઈડ્યોદાશ્વાનિનતમો ધોરઃ સડ્ક્રન્દનઃ સ્વવાન્ ॥ ૯૪॥

94. Indra has robe of light, king of all strivers, supremely laudable, he is full of light, filled in vast area, most aspired, shatters (demons), giver, most vigorous, fierce, makes the foes cry, possessor of light.

જાગૃવિર્જગતો રાજા ગૃત્સો ગોવિદ્ધનાધનઃ l જેતાડભિભ્રક્યારો દાનવાનસ્રોર્ણડવઃ ll ૯૫ ll 95. Indra is awake (always), lord of the world, wise, endowed with light/ knowledge, destroyer, conqueror, master, unbounded (like sea), carries gifts, mighty (asu - prana shakti), has oceanic flow (of delight).

ધૃષ્વિર્દમૂનાસ્તવસસ્તવીયાનન્તમોડવૃતઃ । રાયોદાતા રથિપતિઃ વિપશ્ચિદ્ધત્રહન્તમઃ ॥ ૯૬॥

96. Indra is luminous, dweller (within), most mighty among the mighty, never encircled, giver of all desirable riches, omniscient /inspired scholar, killer of Vritra.

અપરીતઃ ષાલપશ્ચાદ્ દધ્વાયુત્કાર આરિતઃ l વોહ્નાવનિષ્ઠો વૃષ્ણ્યાવાન્વૃષ્ણવાન્વૃકોડવતઃ ll ૯૭ ll

97. Indra is irresistible, overcomes (the foes), will be in front of endeavors (battles), well praiseworthy/ affectionate, fighter, owner, carries energies, mighty, protector.

ગર્ભોડસમષ્ટકાવ્યોયુગહિશુષ્મોદધૃષ્વણિઃ l પ્રત્રઃ પરિર્વાજદાવા જ્યોતિઃ કર્તા ગિરાં પતિઃ ll ૯૮ ll

98. Indra is (prime) creator, has inspired wisdom (seer), binds (yokes), is strong as serpent, performs great deeds, ancient lord, gives energy/plentitude, manifests the light (knowledge), lord of speech (Mantra).

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૧૦ દશમં નામશતકમ્

અનવદ્યઃ સમ્ભૃતાશ્ચો વિજવાદદ્રિવાન્દ્યુમાન્ । દસ્મો યજત્રો યોધીયાનકવારિર્યતહુરઃ ॥ ૯૯॥

99. Indra is faultless, has good horses, wielder of Vajra, stable, comes to aid, powerful, master of yajna, fights bravely, overcomes the foes. He performs action for aspirants/devotees.

પૃદાકુસાનુરોજીયાન્ બ્રહ્મણશ્ચોદિતાઃ યમઃ l વન્દનેષ્ઠાઃ પુરાં ભેતા બન્ધુરેષ્ઠા બૃહદ્દિવઃ II ૧૦૦ II 100. Indra's head is uplifted like a serpent, he is full of energy, enthuses Veda/Brahma (in aspirant), He is Yama (regulates), stands amidst lauds, destroyer of cities. He is Rishi Brihaddiva.

વરૂતા મધુનો રાજા પ્રણેનીઃ પપ્રથી યુવા **!** ઉરુશંસોહવંથ્રોતા ભૂરિદાવા બહચ્છ્રવાઃ **!!** ૧૦૧ **!!**

101. Indra destroys cities/ (of danavas) defends friends, he is lord of honey (soma), adored, regulates, young, likes lauds extensively, hears the invoking call, giver of abundant felicities, gives great inspirations.

માતા સ્તિયાનાં વૃષભો મહોદાતા મહાવધઃ l સુગ્મ્યઃ સુરાધાઃ સત્રાષાડોદતીનાં નદોધુનિઃ ll ૧૦૨ ll

102. Indra nourishes like mother, he stands strong (bull) among stable things, great giver, mighty destroyer, easily accessible, enjoys profusely, overcomes the foes, happy with the dawn, he is conqueror.

અકામકર્શનઃ સ્વર્ષાઃ સુમૃલીકઃ સહસ્કૃતઃ l પાસ્ત્યસ્ય હોતા સિન્ધનાં વૃષાભોજો રથીતમઃ II ૧૦૩ II

103. Indra fulfills aspirations, showers profusely, gives happiness. He is created by the potency, invoking priest for yajamana (aspirant), leader of the rivers, gives the enjoyment, chief of charioteers.

સખા મુનીનાં જનિદાઃ સ્વધાવાનસમોડપ્રતિઃ l મનસ્વાનધ્વરો મર્યો બૃબદુક્થોડવિતા ભગઃ ll ૧૦૪ ll

104. Indra who is Friend of Rishis, gives wife (to one who desires), has self-law, matchless, irresistible, grows in mind/intellect, engaged in yajna (adhvara), giver, greatly praised, protector, god Bhaga/possesses fortunes.

અષાહ્નોડરીહ્ન આદર્તા વીરં કર્તાં વિશસ્પતિઃ l એકઃ પતિરિનઃ પુષ્ટિઃ સુવીર્યો હરિપાઃ સુદૃક્ ॥ ૧૦૫॥

105. Indra is inviolable, unhurt, wields vajra, creates hero (warriors), master of all creation, sole deva, master of strength, hero, swells, great warrior, has perfect vision/handsome.

એકો હવ્યઃ સનાદારુગોકોવાકસ્ય સક્ષણિઃ I

સુવક્તિરમૃતોડમૃક્તઃ ખજકૃદ્ભલદાઃ શુનઃ ॥ ૧૦૬॥

106. Indra is exclusively invoked, ancient, assails, creates dwelling, holds Mantra, has perfect Mantra, immortal, no one disobeys, establishes strength, he fulfills promises.

અમત્રો મિત્ર આકાય્યઃ સુદામાબ્જિન્ મહોમહી l રથઃ સુબાહુરુશના સુનીથો ભૂરિદાઃ સુદાઃ ll ૧૦૭ ll

107. Limitless/mighty Indra, divine Mitra/friend, enormous, most gracious / auspicious, winner of waters, strong, mighty, travels in ratha, has strong arms, Rishi Ushana, leads/guides, giver of plenty, unparalleled giver.

મદસ્ય રાજા સોમસ્ય પીત્વીજ્યાન્દિવઃ પતિઃ l તવિષીવાન્ધનો યુધ્મો હવનશ્રુત્સહઃ સ્વરાટ્ ॥ ૧૦૮॥

108. Indra is the king of blissful Soma, drinker of soma, created (the universe), lord of light /heaven, mighty, slayer, warrior, hears the lauds (in yajna), forceful, self-resplendent.

II ઇતિ દશમં નામશતકમ્ II

ઉપસંહારશ્વોકાઃ

II અત્રેમે ભવન્ત્યુપસંહારશ્લોકાઃ II

Concluding shlokas

ઇદં સહસ્રમિન્દ્રસ્ય નામ્નાં પરમપાવનમ્ । ઋગ્વેદતો ગણપતિઃ સડ્ગુહ્ય વિનિબદ્ધવાન્ ॥ ૧॥

These thousand names (sahasranama) of Indra, are very sacred. This is the composition of Vasishtha Ganapathi, selecting from Rig Veda.

નાત્ર નામ્નઃ પૌનરુક્ત્યં ન ચ કારાદિ પૂરણમ્ l શ્લોકમધ્યે ન ચારમ્યા શતકસ્યોપસંહૃતિઃ II ૨ II

Hundred verses are composed here without the repetition of names and help of letters like 'ha' is not taken (added) in the middle of the verses to complete the meters.

નામ્નામેષાં છાન્દસત્વાત્સર્વેષાં ચ સ્વરૂપતઃ l અવલોકથા યથા છન્દઃ શબ્દશદ્ધિર્વિચક્ષાણૈઃ ll ૩ ll As these names are Vedic, the scholars who know the Vedic terminology should understand etymological meaning of the words properly in accordance with the Vedic perspective.

અનેકપદનામાનિ વિનિયોજ્યાનિ પૂજને I ચતુર્થ્યન્તપ્રયોગેષુ વ્યુત્કમાચ્ચ યથાન્વયમ્ II ૪ II

The word order to be followed in the forms of Chaturthi vibhakti (Dative case), while using these words and names at the time of worship/prayer.

અસ્ય નામસહસ્રસ્ય વેદ્દમૂલસ્ય સેવને l પૂર્ણ કુલં તદ્ધિજ્ઞેયં યત્સ્વાધ્યાયનિષેવણે ॥ ૫॥

Studying this Sahasranama which is originated from Rigveda gives the full benefit of studying one's own branch of Veda (Veda shakha).

મન્ત્રેભ્યઃ સમ્ભૃતં સારમેતન્નામસહસ્રકમ્ I એન્દ્રં યો ભજતે ભક્ત્યા તસ્ય સ્યુઃ સિદ્ધયો વશે II ૬ II

This Sahasranama is composed with rich essence of Vedic hymns. One will attain all the Siddhis, by worshipping lord Indra with these names.

ઇન્દ્રો વિજયતે દેવઃ સર્વસ્ય જગતઃ પતિઃ । વેદમૂર્લ જયત્યેતત્તસ્ય નામસહસ્રકમ્ ॥ ૭॥

Indra, lord of all the worlds, is victorious. And His sahasranama originating from Veda is victorious.

॥ ઇતિ શ્રીભગવન્મહર્ષિરમણાન્તેવાસિનો વાસિષ્ઠસ્ય નરસિંહસૂનોર્ગણપતેઃ કૃતિઃ ઇન્દ્રસહસ્રનામસ્તોત્રં સમ્પૂર્ણમ् ॥

Thus Indra Sahasranama Composed by Vasishtha Ganapathi, son of Narasihma, disciple of Ramana Maharshi is completed.

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