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 \mathbb{I} அத 2 வரத 3 ராஜஸ்தவ: \mathbb{I}

ஸ்ரீதே 3 வராஜமனிஶாம் நிக 3 மாந்தவேத் 3 யம் யஜ்ஞேஶ்வரம் விதி 4 -மஹேந்த் 3 ர-ஹிதைக-லக்ஷ்யம் 1

நவ்யாம்பு 3 வாஹ-ஸுஷமா-தனு-யோப 4 மானம் ஸ்ரீஹஸ்தி-ஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே $\parallel 1 \parallel$

பம்கேருஹாஸன-க்ரு'தாமல-வாஜியஜ்ஞே வைதானகே ஹுதபு 4 ஜி த்வரயா- 5 5விராஸீத் 11

மந்த 3 ஸ்மிதாஞ்சித-முகே 2 ன வபாம் த 3 யன் யஸ்தம் நாக 3 -ஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே $\parallel 2 \parallel$

சண்டா 3 ம்ஶு-ஶீதகிரணுயித-நேத்ரயுக் 3 மம் பத் 3 மா-நிவாஸ-ரமணீய-பு 4 ஜாந்தரம் தம் 1

ஆஜானுபா 3 ஹு-முரரீக்ரு 3 த-ஸப்ததந்தும் மாதங்க 3 -ஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே $\parallel 3 \parallel$

ரத்ன-ப்ரகாண்ட 3 -ரசிதம் லஸதூ 3 ர்த் 4 வ-புண்ட் 3 ரம் பி 3 ப் 4 ராண-மந்தக-ரிபு-ப்ரிய-மித்ரவர்யம் 1

யம்க 2 ம் ச சக்ர-மப 4 யாங்க-க 3 தே 3 த 3 தா 4 னம் நாகே 3 ந்த் 3 ர-ஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே 𝑢 4 𝑢

நந்தா 3 த்மஜம் ஹலத 4 ரம் த 3 ருகண்ட 2 -காலம் க்ஷத்ர-த் 3 விஷம் கலி-ரிபும் நரஸிம்ஹ-வேஷம் l

கோலாத்மகம் கமட 2 -ரூப-த 4 ரம் ச மத்ஸ்யம் வேதண்ட 3 -ரைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே $\parallel 5 \parallel$

VARADARAJA STOTRAM.

These five verses are in praise of Shri Varadaraja - the presiding deity of the temple in Vishnu Kanchi in Kanchipuram. The city of Kanchipuram, also known as Kanchi, is an old historic city. It is mentioned in Puranas and literature too. The Brahmanda Puranam compares the cities of Kasi and Kanchi to the two eyes of Lord Shiva that can confer Lord's blessings on the devotee.

நேத்ர-த்³வயம் மஹேஶஸ்ய காஶீ-காஞ்சீபுரத்³வயம் I விகா²யாதம் வைஷ்ணவம் க்ஷேத்ரம் ஶிவஸான்னித்⁴ய-காரகம் II The Purana also makes a mention about Kamakoti . ஸ்ரீகாமகி³ரி-பீட²ம் ஸாக்ஷாத் ஸ்ரீபுரமத்⁴யமம் I Shrimad Bhagavatam also talks about Kanchi city. காமகோடிபுரீம் காஞ்சீம் I (BG-10-79-14).

Kanchi is known as the city of temples. There are numerous temples, but the most famous ones are those of Varadaraja, Ekamreshwara and KamakShi.

Great devotees have lost themselves in the etherial beauty and qualities of Varadaraja and composed many paeans about Him. Vaishnavite saints known as Alwars have visited Kanchi and sung verses in praise of His enchanting form and qualities. The puranas say that the Creator Brahma himself came to earth and worshipped the Lord by performing a great sacrifice. Airavata, the divine elephant, is said to have worshipped Him and borne Him on his back. Today the temple of Shri Varadaraja is to be seen on a hillock in the shape of a kneeling elephant. So, the hillock is called Hastigiri (ஹஸ்திகி³ரி). Hasti means an elephant. Twenty four steps, representing the twenty four letters of the Gayatri mantra lead to the temple on the top of the mound. This signifies that the Lord is the true import of the Gayatri mantra. The next important temple is that of Siva. He is seated under a mango tree. So He is known as Ekamreshwara (ஏகாம்ரேய்வர: 1). Amra means a mango tree. There is a puranic story that says that Devi wanted to demonstrate the power of devotion (bhakti) to the Lord. She came down to the earth and worshipped Him under the mango tree. Near this temple is that of KamakShi. Shri Shankaracharys

had established a Shreechakra in the temple. The records say that he spent his last days here and established a math here. The Mookhapanchasati, a poem consisting of 500 verses sung in praise of KamakShi is a famous work. The verses are soaked in devotion and known for the literary merit. The temple is known as Kamakoti. There are many temples of Shiva around Kanchi. A significant fact is that none of these temples will have a shrine for Devi. KamakShi represents all of them. So, one is advised to worship KamakShi at Kamakoti and get fulfilment. பீடேஷ்வஷ்டாதே பாரமு மஹிதம் காமகோடிம் ம்ரயேதா:21 The city is mentioned as one of the seven cities where austerities performed will lead to liberation. Thus it is renouned as a மோகூடிபுர்!

அயோத் 4 யா மது 2 ரா மாயா காஶீ காஞ்சீ அவந்திகா 4 புரீ த் 3 வாரவதீ சைவ ஸப்தைதா மோக்ஷதா 3 யகா: 11

Kanchi was also a seat of higher lesrning in Sanskrit studies during the 4th and 5th centuries AD. So it was known as கீடிகா ஸ்தீலம் I Ghatika means a college where the vedas and the auxiliary sciences were taught in a systematic manner. Records show that some princes from neighbouring states studied here. Some princes from other states were also imported to teach some subjects. For all these reasons the city's fame has lead to the saying நகிரீஷு காஞ்சீI- that Kanchi is the pearl among the cities.

Among the numerous poems in praise of Lord Varadaraja three in Sanskrit are outstanding and popular. They are the Varadaraja stavam (having 102 verses) of Sri Srivatsankhamisra (also known as Kuresha), a prime disciple of Shri Ramanuja, Varadaraja panchashat (having 52 verses) of Shri Vedanta Deshika and the Varadaraja stavam (having 105 verses) by Shri Appayya DikShita. They are renowned for the profusion of devotion and

literary merit. And they are exegetic in their content. Shri Appayya DikShita has himself provided a commentary in Sanskrit for his Varadaraja stavam. He quotes liberally from various scriptures to substitute his statements.

In the stotram given here one may notice that the first letter in these five verses put together read as Sripancharatnam, (ஸ்ரீபஞ்சரத்னம் I), the name of the poem. The letter ஸ்ரீ is used as an honorofic prefix to deities (ஸ்ரீ க்ரு'ஷ்ண), distinguished persons (ஸ்ரீ வ்யாஸ) and great literary works (ஸ்ரீ ப⁴க³வத்³கீ³தா) to indicate their glory. ஸ்தவ: means a hymn or stotra. A stotra narrates the qualities. By chanting these stotras regularly one can free himself from sorrows. Bhishma says this in his introduction to Vishnusahasranamam. லோகாத்⁴யக்ஷம் ஸ்துவன்னித்யம் ஸர்வது:³கா²திகோ³ ப⁴வேத் I. Since the stotras are so potent they deserve the honorofic prefix ஸ்ரீ Shri. The verses are given with the meaning. The meaning is not exact, but general enough to make one understand the purport.

The following abbreviationa are used in the comments.

- 1- VS Vishnusahasranama with the commentary of Shri Sankaracharya.
- 2 BG Srimad Bhagavad Gita with the commentary of Shri Sankaracharya.
- 3 BH Srimad Bhagavatam.

ஸ்ரீதே 3 வராஜமனிஶம் நிக 3 மாந்தவேத் 3 யம் யஜ்ஞேஶ்வரம் விதி 4 - மஹேந்த் 3 ர-ஹிதைக-லக்ஷ்யம் 4 நவ்யாம்பு 3 வாஹ-ஸுஷமா-தனு-ஶோப 4 மானம் ஸ்ரீஹஸ்திஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே 1 1 1

ஸ்ரீஹஸ்தியைலஸத³னம் = having Hastigiri as residence; நிக³மாந்தவேத்³யம் = One who can be known with the help of the upanishads, the end portion of the vedas; யஜ்ஞேய்வரம் = One who is the Lord of sacrifices; விதி⁴மஹேந்த்³ரஹிதைகலக்ஷ்யம் One who has the welfare of gods such as Brahma and Indra prominantly in His mind; நவ்யாம்பு³வாஹஸுஷமாதனு- யோப⁴மானம் = having a shining body resesembling fresh water bearing cloud; ஸ்ரீதே³வராஜம் வரத³ம் = Shri Varadaraja also known as Shri Devaraja; அனிஶம் = always; ப்ரபத்³யே = I surrender.

Meaning: I always surrender to Shri Varadaraja also known as Shri Devaraja, who has Hastigiri as His residence, who may be known with the help of the upanishads, One who is the Lord of sacrifices, One who has the welfare of gods such as Brahma and Indra prominently in His mind and Who has a body shining like a new water bearing cloud.

COMMENTS: நிக³மாந்த-வேத்³யம் = One who can be known with the help of the upanishads, the end portion of the vedas. The Lord cannot be known with the equipments like sense organs that we have or the instruments like the microscope that extend the power of the organs. This is because of the fact that He is behind the organs. For example it is with His blessings that the eyes see, the ears hear etc. The Kena Upanishad says this clearly.

ஶ்ரோத்ரஸ்ய ஶ்ரோத்ரம் மனஸோ மஞே யத் 3 வாசோ ஹ வாசம் ஸ உப்ராணஸ்ய ப்ராண:

சக்ஷுஷம்சக்ஷு:ரதிமுச்ய தீ 4 ரா: ப்ரேத்யாஸ்மால்லோகாத 3 ம்ரு'தா ப 4 வந்தி 11

One has necessarily to depend on the vedas to know about Him.

Shri Krishna says this clearly வேதை³ஶ்ச ஸர்வை-ரஹமேவ வேத்³ய: வேதா³ந்தக்ரு'த் **II** BG(15-15). He says that He is to be known by alll vedas. He is the author of the vedas too. He has, out of immense mercy, made them available to us to enable us to reach Him. யஜ்ஞேஸ்வரம் = One who is the Lord of sacrifices This is said as யஜ்ஞபதி:, யஜ்ஞாநாம் பாதா, ஸ்வாமீ வா யஜ்ஞபதி:, அஹம் ஹி ஸர்வயஜ்ஞாநாம் போ⁴க்தா ப்ரபு⁴ரேவ ச1 (கீ³தா 9124) இதி ப⁴க³வத்³வசனுத்¹ I am the Enjoyer, as also the Lord of all sacrifices. says BG(9-24). Also ஹுதபு⁴க் = ஸமஸ்ததே³வதோத்³தே³யேன ப்ரவ்ரு'த்தேஷ்வபி கர்மஸு ஹுதம் பு⁴ங்க்தே இதி ஹுதபு⁴க் I = He is the One who accepts the oblations offered in sacrifices which may be meant for any deity. VS(871). தே³வராஜம் = He is foremost among the celestials. He also rules over and protects them, including Indra. தே³வேஶ:- ப்ராதா⁴ன்யேன தே³வாநாமீஶோ தே³வேஶ:1 தே³வான் பி³ப⁴ர்தீதி தே³வப்⁴ரு'த் ஶக்ர:, தஸ்யாபி ஶாஸிதேதி தே³வப்⁴ரு'த் VS(492,493) ..

வரத: 3 = அபி 4 மதான்வராந்த 3 தா 3 தீதி, வரம் கா 3 ம் த 3 க்ஷிணும் த 3 தா 3 தி யஜமானரூபேணேதி வா வரத: 3 , "கௌ 3 ர்வை வர:" இதி ஸ்ருதே: 1 = giver of boons. Also means the one who, as the one who performs sacrifices, offers gifts. VS(330).

நவ்யாம்பு³வாஹ-ஸுஷமாதனு-யோப⁴மானம் = having a shining body resesembling fresh water bearing cloud. Why, one may ask, is His body having the colour of the water bearing cloud? Shri Appayya Dixitar gives an ingenious reason in his Shri Varadaraja stavam. (27).He says that the cloud is white. But when it is laden with water it turns black. So also, Shri Varadaraja, because of His sattvic nature (ஸத்வகு³ண) is really white- the colour of the moon as is said in the popular verse யுக்காம்ப³ரத⁴ரம் விஷ்ணும் முழிவர்ணம் சதுர்பு⁴ஜம்! Sattva guna is represented by white colour. But He is charged with (the water of) compassion and because of this He appears to have a dark complexion.

யுக்த்யாக 3 மேன ச ப 4 வாஞ்ஶஶ்ரிவா்ண ஏவ

நிஷ்க்ரு'ஷ்டஸத்வகு 3 ணமாத்ரவிவர்தமூர்தி: 4 த்தே க்ரு'பாம்பு 3 ப 4 ரதஸ்த்விஷமைந்த் 3 ரனீலீ 4 ரோ 4 ரோ 5 பி ஸாம்பு 3 ரஸித: க 2 லு த் 3 ரு'ஶ்யதே 5 ப் 3 த: 3 1

பம்கேருஹாஸன-க்ரு'தாமல-வாஜியஜ்ஞே வைதானகே ஹுதபு 4 ஜி த்வரயா 3 5விராஸீத் 3 0 மந்த 3 ஸ்மிதாஞ்சித-முகே 2 ன வபாம் த 3 மன் யஸ்தம் நாக 3 மைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரக 3 ம் ப்ரபக் 3 யே 3 1 3 21

ஸ்ரீனுக³ையைல-ஸத³னம் = The Lord who has His residence in Hastigiri; பம்கேருஹாஸன-க்ரு'தாமல-வாஜியஜ்ஞே = in the sacred Aswameda yagna performed by Brahma; வைதானகே ஹுதபு⁴ஜி = in the sacrificial fire; த்வரயா = in a hurry - in order to bless the devotee; மந்த³ஸ்மிதாஞ்சித-முகே²ன வபாம் த³யன் = with a smiling face and biting the oblation offered in the sacrifice; ஆவிராஸீத் = appeared; தம் வரத³ம் = that Shri Varada; ப்ரபத்³யே = I surrender.

Meaning: I surrender to that Shri Varada who resides in Hastigiri and who appeared in haste with a smile and biting the sacrificial oblation in the sacred Aswamedha sacrifice performed by Brahma.

COMMENTS; மந்த³ஸ்மிதாஞ்சித-முகே²ன வபாம் த³யன் = with a smiling face and biting the oblation offered in the sacrifice; Here, த³யன் literally means biting. It should not be taken in this sense. As a parallel we may cite the following popular verse -BG(9-26); பத்ரம் புஷ்பம் ப²லம் தோயம் யோ மே ப⁴க்த்யா ப்ரயச்ச²தி | தத³ஹம் ப⁴க்த்யுபஹ்ரு'தம் அய்நாமி ப்ரயதாத்மன: || In the second line the word அய்நாமி literally means I eat. Shri Shankaracharya takes the word to mean க்³ரு'ஹ்ணுமி - that is, I accept with pleasure. The same meaning should be applied to the

word த³மன் - biting said above.

சண்டா 3 ம்ஶு-ஶீதகிரணுயித-நேத்ரயுக் 3 மம் பத் 3 மா-நிவாஸ-ரமணீய-பு 4 ஜாந்தரம் தம் 3 ஆஜானுபா 3 ஹு-முரரீக்ரு 3 த-ஸப்ததந்தும் மாதங்க 3 -ஶைல-ஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபத் 3 யே 3 3

மாதங்க³-யைல-ஸத³னம் = The Lord who has His residence in Hastigiri; சண்டா³ம்ஶு-ஶீதகிரணுயித-நேத்ரயுக்³மம் = who has the sun and the moon as His two eyes; பத்³மா-நிவாஸ-ரமணீய-பு⁴ஜாந்தரம் = who has a chest made beautiful by Shri Laxmi Devi residing there; ஆஜானு-பா³ஹும் = who has long arma that reach upto the knees; உரரீக்ரு'த-ஸப்ததந்தும் = who accepted the sacrifice offered by Brahma; தம் வரத³ம் that Lord Varada; ப்ரபத்³யே = to Him I surrender.

Meaning: I surrender to the Lord Varada who has His residence in Hastigiri, who has for His eyes the sun and the moon, whose chest is made beautiful by Shri Laxmi Devi's residence, whose long arms reach upto His knees and who gracefully accepted the Aswameda sacrifice offered by Brahma.

COMMENTS; பத்³மா-நிவாஸ-ரமணீய-பு⁴ஜாந்தரம் = who has a chest made beautiful by Shri Laxmi Devi residing there; Sri Vedanta Desika puts this beautifully in his Sri stuti (1) as வக்ஷ: பீடீ²ம் மது⁴விஜயினே பூ⁴ஷயந்தீம் ஸ்வகாந்த்யா I = Shri Devi adorns the throne of the chest of Shri Vishnu by Her radiance.

ரத்னப்ரகாண்ட 3 ரசிதம் லஸதூ 3 ர்த் 4 வபுண்ட் 3 ரம் பி 3 ப் 4 ராணமந்தகரிபுப்ரியமித்ரவர்யம் 3 ப் 4 ராணம் 3 ப் 4 ராணம் 3 ப் 4 ராணம் 3 ப் 4 ப

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நாகே 3 ந்த் 3 ர ையை-ஸத 3 னம் = The Lord who has His residence in Hastigiri; அந்தக-ரிபு-ப்ரிய-மித்ரவர்யம் = who is very dear to Lord Shiva -

the enemy of Yama; ரத்னப்ரகாண்ட 3 ரசிதம் லஸதூ 3 ர்த் 4 வபுண்ட் 3 ரம் ப 3 ராணம்

= who wears a mark made of precious diamonds on His forehead; பாம்க²ம் சக்ரம் அப⁴யாங்க-க³தே³ ச த³தா⁴னம் = who is holding the conch, discus, the mudra that assures protection; வரத³ம் = that Varada; ப்ரபத்³யே = I surrender.

Meaning; I surrender to the Lord Varada who resides in Hastagiri, who is very dear to Lord Shiva, who wears a mark made of precious diamonds on His forehead and holds the conch, discus and a mudra that assures freedom from fear.

COMMENTS; He assures freedom from fear. So He has the name $\ u^4u\dot{a}$ ருத் = $\ u^4\dot{a}$ த்தானம் $\ u^4u\dot{a}$ ம் க்ரு'ந்ததி க்ரு'ணேதீதி $\ u^4u\dot{a}$ ருத் $\ VS(833)$. நந்தா 3 த்மஜம் ஹலத 4 ரம் த 3 ருகண்ட 2 காலம் க்ஷத்ரத் 3 விஷம் $\ u^3$ லிரிபும் நரஸிம்ஹவேஷம் $\ U$ கோலாத்மகம் கமட 2 ரூபத 4 ரம் ச மத்ஸ்யம் வேதண்ட 3 ரைலஸத 3 னம் வரத 3 ம் ப்ரபக் 3 யே $\ U = 5$ $\ U = 1$

வேதண்ட³-யைல-ஸத³னம் = The Lord who has His residence in Hastigiri; மத்ஸ்யம், கமட²-ரூப-த⁴ரம், கோலாத்மகம், நரஸிஹ்ம-வேஷம், ப³லிரிபும், க்ஷத்ரத்³விஷம், த³யகண்ட²-காலம், ஹல-த⁴ரம், நந்தா³த்மஐம் = who incarnated as Matsya, Kurma, Varaha, Narasimha, Vamana, Parasurama, Rama, Balarama and Krishna for the benefit of all; வரத³ம் = that Varada; ப்ரபத்³யே = I surrender.

Meaning; I surrender to the Lord Varada who resides in Hastigiri and who incarnated as Matsya, Kurma, Varaha, Narasimha, Vamana, Parasurama, Rama, Balarama and Krishna for the benefit of all.

COMMENTS; The Loord incarnated Himself from time to time for the welfare of all. So He has the name அனேகமூர்தி: = அவதாரேஷு ஸ்வேச்ச²யா லோகாநாமுபகாரிணீர்ப³ஹ்வீர்மூர்தீர்ப⁴ஜத

இதி அனேகமுர்தி:I(VS 721).

The Lord is called in these verses as Varada. But He is better known as Varadaraja - the king or foremost among those who grant boons; firstly, because He grants them in great abundance. Sri Vedana Desika alludes to the episode of Kuchela, and says that the poor Kuchela could give Krishna only a handful of flattened rice and in return the Lord made him rich as Kubera - the god of wealth. He asks that when such a generous Lord is available, why should I go after anyone else? I am determined to worship Him alone.

தே 3 வம் ஸேவிதுமேவ நிஶ்சினுமஹே யோ 3 ெஸ்ள த 3 யாலு: புரா தா 4 நாமுஷ்டி 2 முசே குசேலமுனயே த 3 த்தே ஸ்ம வித்தேஶ்தாம் 1

The reason why one should not serve or worship any other deity is given by Shri Krishna . People and various gods are not permanent. So, whatever favours or riches they give cannot also be permanent. They will be ephemeral only. But the Lord is unlike anyone else. He alone is eternal and can confer boons that give benefits that last for ever. அந்தவந்து ப²லம் தேஷாம் தத்³ப⁴வத்யல்பமேத⁴ஸாம்1 தே³வாந்தே³வயஜோ யாந்தி மத்³ப⁴க்தா

யாந்தி மாமபி I BG(7-23). Note that Shri Krishna calls those who worship other gods as dullards, because the amount of exertion to be put in the case of both kinds of worship is the same. Still people go after other deities or kings and are bound to get finite results only.

The devotee Kuashekara puts across this idea forcefullyin his poem Mukundamala. He says that the Lord is praised as the Supreme Being by the vedas. He is the Lord of the three worlds. He can be easily worshipped without much effort in the mind. He is so munificent that He will give up even His

position to His devotee. But, sadly enough we do not take to worshipping Him. Instead we stand at the door steps of kings who rule over few villages and who can confer petty favours only. He asks what kind of wretched creatures are we who do so? நாதே² ந: புருஷோத்தமே த்ரிஜக³தாமேகாதி⁴பே சேதஸா ஸேவ்யே ஸ்வஸ்ய பத³ஸ்ய தா³தரி ஸுரே நாராயணே திஷ்டதி! யம் கஞ்சித்புருஷாத⁴மம் கதிபய-க்³ராமேமுமல்பார்த²த³ம் ஸேவாயை ம்ரு'க³யாமஹே நரமஹோ! மூடா⁴ வராகா வயம் II Please note the statement that He will give up even His position to His devotee. This idea is said in Srimad Bhagavatam also. ஸ்மரத: பாத³கமலம் ஆத்மானமபி யச்ச²தி! BH(10-80-11). This says that He will give even Himself to His devotee.

These verses briefly describe the beauty and glory of ShrI Varadaraja that are really beyond conceptualisation. Great devotees have asked that when such a bewitching form of the glorious Lord is available for one to feast his eyes on, what else one can desire? For example, Shri Vedanta Desika declares in his Varadaraja panchasat (49) that besides daily worshipping and savouring the entransing beauty of Shri Varadaraja here in Kanchipuram, he indeed has no desire to go to even Vaikunta - the abode of the Lord.

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நிரந்தரம் நிர்விரைதஸ்த்வதீ^3யம்
அஸ்ப்ரு'ஷ்ட சிந்தாபத^3மாபி^4ரூப்யம் ^3ஸைத்யம் ருபே வாரண ரைலஞத^2வைகுண்ட^2 வாஸோ^3பி ந மே^4லாஷ: ^3
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Shri Appayya dikShita also says so in his Varadaraja stava. (7). He says that an intelligent person who gets delight here in Kanchipuram by looking at the wonderful form of Shri Varadaraja will have no desire to go to any higher worlds including Vaikunta.

அஸ்யாம் ப⁴வந்தமபி⁴த: ஸ்தி²தது³க்³த⁴ஸிந்தௌ⁴ மன்யே த்ரயீமயமஹாரவிமண்ட³லஸ்ய I பஶ்யன்னத:⁴க்ரு'தசதுர்முக²விஷ்டபாயாம் தா⁴மத்ரயே5பி குதுகம் விஜஹாதி வித்³வான் II

This sentiment is in tune with what the Lord, incarnate as Kapila, told His mother Devahuti in His advice. (BH 3-29-13) ஸாலோக்ய-ஸார்ஷ்டீ-ஸாமீப்ய-ஸாரூப்யைகத்வ-மப்யுத \\
தீ3்யமானம் நக்³ரு'ஹ்ணந்தி விஞ மத்ஸேவனம் ஜஞ: \|
True devotes do not accept, even when offered, any of the five forms of liberation. They only want an opportunity to render service to Me.

.. OM tatsat...

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