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श्री वेंकटेश्वर मंदिर

श्लोक पुस्तिका १ दीपावली २०००

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ॐ सह नाववतु ।
सह नौभुनक्तु ।
सहवीर्य करवावहै ।
तेजस्विनावधीतमस्तु ।

ॐ शांतिः शांतिः शांतिः ।।

मा विद्विषावहै ।

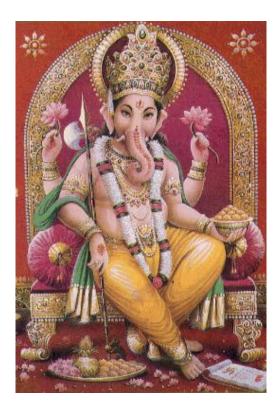
Om!

May the Lord protect us,
May he cause us to enjoy,
May we exert together,
May our studies be thorough and faithful,
May we never quarrel with each other.

Om Peace Peace!

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गजाननं भूत गणादि सेवितं किपत्थ जंबू फल सार भक्षितम् । उमा सुतं शोक विनाश कारणं नमामि विघ्नेश्वर पाद पङ्कजम् ।।

Salutations to Lord Ganesha who has an elephant head, who is attended by the band of his followers, who eats his favorite wood-apple and rose-apple fruits, who is the son of Goddess Uma, who is the cause of destruction of all sorrow. And I salute his feet which are like lotus.

गज वक्त्रं सुर श्रेष्ठं कर्ण चामर भूषितम् । पाश अंकुश धरं देवं वन्देऽहं गण नायकम् ।

I bow before that God who is the leader of Shiva's ghosts, whose face resembles that of an elephant, who is supreme among the deities, who sports ears that look like fans and who is armed with noose and goad.

।। गणेश स्तोत्र।।

प्रणम्य शिरसा देवं गौरीपुत्रं विनायकम् । भक्तावासं स्मरेनित्यं आयुःकामार्थसिद्धये ।।१।।

प्रथमं वऋतुण्डं च एकदन्तं द्वितीयकम् । तृतीयं कृष्णपिङ्गाक्षं गजवक्त्रं चतुर्थकम् ।। २।।

लम्बोदरं पञ्चमं च षष्ठं विकटमेव च । सप्तमं विघ्नराजेन्द्रं धूम्रवर्णं तथाष्टमम् ।।३।।

नवमं भालचन्द्रं च दशमं तु विनायकम् । एकादशं गणपतिं द्वादशं तु गजाननम् ।। ४।।

द्वादशैतानि नामानि त्रिसंध्यं यः पठेन्नरः । न च विघ्नभयं तस्य सर्वसिद्धिकरः प्रभुः ।। ५ ।।

विद्यार्थी लभते विद्यां धनार्थी लभते धनम् । पुत्रार्थी लभते पुत्रान्मोक्षार्थी लभते गतिम् ।।६।।

जपेद्गणपितस्तोत्रं षड्भिर्मासैः फलं लभेत् । संवत्सरेण सिद्धिं च लभते नात्र संशयः ।। ७।।

अष्टेभ्यो ब्राह्मणेभ्यश्च लिखित्वा यः समर्पयेत् । तस्य विद्या भवेत्सर्वा गणेशस्य प्रसादतः ।। ८ ।।

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Let him continuously worship in his mind the son of Gauri, Vinaayaka the refuge of his devotees, for attainment of longevity, desires and wealth

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First, as the one with the twisted trunk;
Secondly, as the one with the single tusk.
Thirdly, as the one with dark brown eyes;
Fourthly, as the one with the elephant's mouth.
Fifthly, as the one with the belly like a pot;
Sixtly, as the grotesque one.
Seventhly, as the king of obstacles;
Eighthly, as the smoke-colored one.
Ninthly, as the moon-crested one;
Tenthly, as the remover of obstacles.
Eleventhly, as the lord of all,
Twelfthly, as the elephant-faced one.

Whoever repeats these twelve names at dawn, noon and sunset, there is no fear of failure, nay, constant fortune. He who desires wisdom, obtains wisdom; he who desires wealth, obtains wealth. He who desires sons, obtains sons; he who desires liberation attains liberation. Whoever chants this hymn to ganapati reaches him in six months, and in one year he reaches perfection, there is no doubt about this. Whoever makes copies of this and distributes them to eight Brahmana, he reaches wisdom immediately, due to the grace of Ganesha.

एक दंतं महा कायं तप्त काञ्चन सन्निभम् लंबोदरं विशालाक्षं वन्देऽहं गण नायकम् ।।

I bow down to one tusked, huge-bodied, big-bellied, large-eyed Lord Ganesha whose complexion is like that of molten gold.

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।। गुरु ।।

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गुरुर्ब्रह्मा गुरुर्विष्णूः गुरुर्देवो महेश्वरः । गुरुः साक्षात् परब्रह्म तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः ।

Guru is indeed the Creator in the form Lord Brahma, he is indeed the Sustainer as Lord Vishnu, and Destroyer as Lord Shiva, in fact he is the limitless Brahman, I salute to such a Guru!

> चैतन्यं शाश्वतं शान्तं व्योमातीतं निरञ्जनम् । नाद बिन्दु कलातीतं तस्मै श्रीगुरुवे नमः ।।

I salute that Guru who is Pure Consciousness Itself, The Permanent One, Serene, beyond ether, spotless, who is beyond sound, space and time.

अज्ञानितिमिरान्धस्य ज्ञानाञ्जनशलाकया । चक्षुरुन्मीलितं येन तस्मै श्रीगुरवे नमः ।।

I prostrate to that Guru, who has opened with the collyrium stick of knowledge, the eyes of him who was rendered blind by the darkness of ignorance.

अखण्डमण्डलाकारं व्याप्तं येन चराचरम् । तत्पदं दर्शितं येन तस्मै श्रीगुरवे नमः ।।

By whose grace the One Infinite Reality That pervades the whole manifestation is revealed to me, my salutation to That Guru.

मन्नाथः श्रीजगन्नाथः मद्गुरुः श्रीजगद्गुरुः । मदात्मा सर्वभूतात्मा तस्मै श्रीगुरवे नमः ।।

I bow to that Guru, who is my Lord of the Universe, my own Self, the Self of all beings.

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ध्यानमूलं गुरुर्मूर्तिः पूजामूलं गुरुः पदम् । मन्त्रमूलं गुरुर्वाक्यं मोक्षमूलं गुरुर्कृपा ।।

The Guru's form is the basis of meditation. His feet are the root of worship. His words are the source of Mantra and His grace is the root cause of salvation.

ॐ नमः शिवाय गुरुवे सच्चिदानन्द मूर्तये । निष्प्रपञ्चाय शान्ताय निरालम्बाय तेजसे ।।

OM Prostration to the Guru, who is Existence, Bliss, Absolute; who is peaceful without any support and Self-Effulgent.

नित्य शुद्धं निराभासं निराकारं निरञ्जनम् । नित्यबोधं चिदानन्दं गुरु ब्रह्म नमाम्ययम् ।।

I prostrate to that Guru, who is the Eternally Pure Brahman, free from reflection, formless, taintless, eternally awake as Pure Consciousness and Bliss.

निधये सर्व विद्यानां भिसजे भवरोगिनाम् । गुरुवे सर्वलोकानां श्री दक्षिणामूर्तये नमः ।।

I prostrate to Dakshinamurti, Who is the abode of all knowledge, Who is the physician to those affected with the disease of worldly existence, and Who is the Guru of all the worlds.

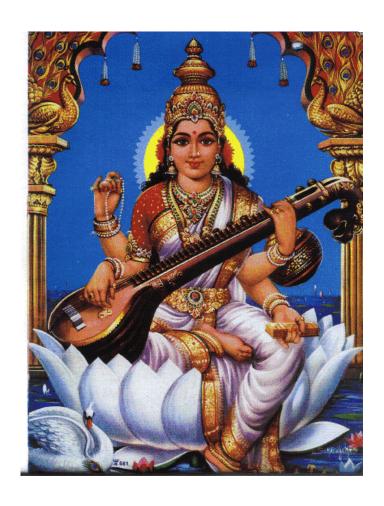
ब्रह्मा-नन्दं परम सुखदं केवलं ज्ञान-मूर्तिम् द्वन्द्वा-तीतं गगन-सदृशं तत्त्व-मस्यादि-लक्ष्यम् । एकं नित्यं विमल-मचलं सर्वादि साक्षि-भूतम् भावा-तीतं त्रिगुण-रहितं सद्गुरं तम् नमामि ।।

The embodiment of the Bliss of Brahman, The Giver of Supreme Happiness, The Free, The personification of Wisdom, The One beyond all dualities, Infinite as the sky, Indicated by scriptural expressions as "Tat Twam Asi", (Thou Art that); The one, eternal, Pure, Immovable, The Witness beyond the Intellect of every one; beyond all manifestations; free from all attributes - my salutations to the Enlightened Guru.

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।। सरस्वती ।।

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सरस्वति नमस्तुभ्यं वरदे कामरूपिणि । विद्यारम्भं करिष्यामि सिद्धिर्भवतु मे सदा ॥

Oh Goddess Saraswati, my humble prostrations unto you, who are the fulfiller of all my wishes.

I am beginning my study, let me attain perfection in that, always.

।। शारदा प्रार्थना ।।

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नमस्ते शारदे देवि काश्मीरपुरवासिनि । त्वामहं प्रार्थये नित्यं विद्यादानं च देहि मे ।।१।।

या श्रद्धा धारणा मेधा वाग्देवी विधिवल्लभा । भक्तजिद्वाग्रसदना शमादिगुणदायिनी ।।२।।

नमामि यामिनीं नाथलेखालङ्कृतकुन्तलाम् । भवानीं भवसन्तापनिर्वापणसुधानदीम् ।।३।।

भद्रकाल्यै नमो नित्यं सरस्वत्यै नमो नमः । वेदवेदाङ्गवेदान्तविद्यास्थानेभ्य एव च ।। ४।।

ब्रह्मस्वरूपा परमा ज्योतिरूपा सनातनी । सर्वविद्याधिदेवी या तस्यै वाण्यै नमो नमः ।। ४।।

यया विना जगत्सर्व शश्वज्जीवन्मृतं भवेत् । ज्ञानाधिदेवी या तस्यै सरस्वत्यै नमो नमः ।।६।।

यया विना जगत्सर्व मूकम् उन्मत्तवत् सदा । या देवी वागिधष्ठात्री तस्यै वाण्यै नमो नमः ।। ७।।

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Namaste Saraswati! O effulgent Sarada, worshipped in the city of Kashmir (substitute your city's name here). I pray to you everyday. Please give the pure knowledge. 1

You are faith, memory, intelligence, the divinity of speech, the spouse of Creator Brahmaa. You grace the devotees' speech, you are the bestower of inner peace, and all other excellences. 2

I prostrate Yamini, one who is forbearance herself, who has her ears decorated with streaks of sparkling knowledge; who is Bhavaani, who is a river of nectar that extinguishes the torments of worldly life. 3.

Constant salutations to you, O Mother Beneficient! You are the one who exists everywhere as a flow of knowledge originating from the Veda, the auxiliary branches of Veda, Upanishads, and all other forms of Learning. Salutations to you again. 4

Prostrations to that Vani who is the supreme spirit, who is the divine light, who is The Eternal Being, and who is the presiding deity of all learning. 5

Prostrations to Sarasvati, Without who, the whole world would appear dead (even though living). And who is the presiding deity of knowledge. A person is as good as dead without the learning, Sarasvati. That is the import. 6

Prostrations to Vani, without whom the whole world would appear dumb and demented; who is the presiding deity of speech. 7.

या कुन्देन्दु तुषार हार धवला या शुभ्रवस्त्रावृता । या वीणावरदंड मंडितकरा या श्वेतपद्मासना । या ब्रह्माच्युतशंकर प्रभृतिभिर् देवै सदा वंदिता । सा मां पातु सरस्वती भगवती निःशेष जाड्यापहा ।।

White as the lily, the moon and the garland of dews,
Clad in clean and spotless garments,
Hands adorned with Vina and rosary,
Sitting on white lotus,
Always worshipped by Brahma, Vishnu and Siva,
O Goddess of Wisdom, Sarasvati,
Look after me by driving away without any trace
this illness of ignorance!

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लक्ष्मीं क्षीर समुद्र राज तनयां श्री रंग धामे-श्वरीं दासी भूत समस्त देव वनितां लोकैक दीपांकुराम् । श्री मन्मन्द कटाक्ष लब्ध विभव ब्रह्मेन्द्र गंगाधरां त्वां त्रैलोक्य कुटुम्बिनिं सरसिजां वन्दे मुकुन्द प्रियाम् ।।

I worship that Lakshmi, the daughter of the king of the milk-ocean, the queen of the abode of Lord Vishnu, whose servants are the wives of all the gods, who is the one Light and sprout of the universe, through a side glance of whose Grace Brahma, Indra and Shiva have attained high positions, who is the Mother of the three worlds, who is called Kamala, the consort of Vishnu Bhagavan.

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।। महालक्ष्म्याष्टकम् ।।

नमस्तेऽस्तु महामाये श्रीपीठे सुरपूजिते । शङ्खचक्रगदाहस्ते महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।।१।।

Salutations to you, who are the illusory power of the universe, the basis for all wealth, who are worshipped by divine beings. Conch, chakra, and club in hand, Mahalakshmi, salutations to you. (1)

नमस्ते गरुडारूढे कोलासुरभयङ्करि । सर्वपापहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।।२ ।।

Salutations to you, seated on Garuda, cause of fear for Lord Saturn, remover of all sin, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you (2)

सर्वज्ञे सर्ववरदे सर्वदृष्टभयङ्करि । सर्वदुः खहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।।३।।

All-knowing, boon giver for all, cause of fear for all the wicked, remover of all sorrow, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (3)

सिद्धिबुद्धिप्रदे देवि भुक्तिमुक्तिप्रदायिनि । मन्त्रमूर्ते सदा देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।। ४।।

Goddess, who gives success and intelligence completely, she who generously gives enjoyment and liberation, who is the form of the mantra, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (4)

आद्यन्तरहिते देवि आद्यशक्तिमहेश्वरि । योगजे योगसम्भूते महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।। ५ ।।

Beginningless and endless goddess, Supreme Goddess of the universe, she who is yoga and is born of yoga, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (5)

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स्थलसक्ष्ममहारौद्रे महाशक्ति महोदरे । महापापहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।।६।।

The great terror (Durga) of gross and subtle (wicked beings), supreme power, engulfing all, redemptress of the universe, remover of the great sins, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (6)

> पद्मासनस्थिते देवि परब्रह्मस्वरूपिणि । परमेशि जगन्माता महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।। ७।।

Seated on a lotus, the Goddess, whose nature is the transcendent infinite, transcendent ruler, mother of the world, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (7)

> श्वेताम्बरधरे देवि नानालङ्कारभृषिते । जगत्स्थित जगन्मातर्महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ।। ६।।

Clad in white clothes, adorned with various ornaments, mother of the world, abiding in the world, Goddess Lakshmi, salutations to you. (8)

> महालक्ष्म्यष्टकस्तोत्रं यः पठेङ्गक्तिमान्नरः । सर्वसिद्धिमवाप्नोति राज्यं प्राप्नोति सर्वदा ।।

ne devotee who chants this verse of eight stanzas to Goddess Lakshmi gains all success and gains sovereignty at all times.

एककाले पठेन्नित्यं महापापविनाशनम । द्विकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं धनधान्यसमन्वितः ।।

He who always recites once daily, gains destruction of great sin; he who recites twice daily, always is endowed with wealth and food.

> त्रिकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं महाशत्रविनाशनम । महालक्ष्मीर्भविन्नित्यं प्रसन्न वरदा शभा ।।

He who recites it three times daily always gains destruction of great enemies, and (Goddess Lakshmi) the pure giver of boons, would be always pleased with the person).

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।। देवी ।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु विष्णुमायेति श्रब्दिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। १४-१६ ।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु चेतनेत्यभिधीयते । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। १७-१९ ।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु बुद्धि रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। २०-२२।।

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या देवी सर्व भूतेषु क्षान्ति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ३८-४०।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु जाति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४१-४३।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु लज्जा रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४४-४६ ।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु श्रान्ति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४७-४९ ॥

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु श्रद्धा रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४०-४२।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु कान्ति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४३-४४ ।।

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या देवी सर्व भूतेषु लक्ष्मी रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४६-४८।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु वृत्ति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ४९-६१।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु स्मृति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ६२-६४।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु दया रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ६४-६७।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु तुष्टि रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ६८-७०।।

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु मातृ रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ७१-७३।। Senior Balavihar - Shloka Book 1

या देवी सर्व भूतेषु भ्रान्ति रूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ७४-७६।।

इन्द्रियाणां अधिष्ठात्री भूतानाञ्चाखिलेषु या । भूतेषु सततं तस्यै व्याप्ति देव्यै नमो नमः ।। ७७।।

चिति रूपेण या कृत्स्नमेतद्व्याप्य स्थिता जगत् । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः ।। ७८-८०।।

14-16. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who in all beings is called Vishnumaya.

17-19. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings as consciousness;

20-22. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of intelligence;

23-25. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of sleep;

26-28. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of hunger:

29-31. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of reflection;

32-34. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of power.

35-37. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of thirst;

38-40. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of forgiveness;

41-43. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi

who abides in all beings in the form of genus;

- 44-46. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of modesty;
- 47-49. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of peace;
- 50-52. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of faith;
- 53-55. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of loveliness;
 - 56-58. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of good fortune;
- 59-61. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of activity;
- 62-64. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of memory;

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- 65-67. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of compassion;
- 68-70. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of contentment;
- 71-73. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of mother;
- 74-76. 'Salutations again and again to the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of error;
- 77. 'Salutations again and again to the allpervading Devi who constantly presides over the senses of all beings and (governs) all the elements;
- 78-80. 'Salutations again and again to her who, pervading the entire world, abides in the form of consciousness.

।। महिषासुरमर्दिनि ।।

अयि गिरिनंदिनि नंदितमेदिनि विश्वविनोदिनि नंदनुते गिरिवर विंध्य शिरोधिनिवासिनि विष्णुविलासिनि जिष्णुनुते । भगवित हे शितिकण्ठकुटुंबिनि भूरि कुटुंबिनि भूरि कृते जय जय हे महिषासुरमर्दिनि रम्यकपर्दिनि शैलस्ते ।।१।।

O daughter of the mountain, who makes the whole earth happy, who makes the whole universe rejoice, praised by Nandin, dwelling on the peak of the great Vindhya mountain, glittering widely, praised by those desirous of victory .O Goddess, wife of the blue necked Siva, One who has many families, One who has done a lot, Be victorious, be victorious, O destroyer of the demon mahisa, with beautiful braids of hair, daughter of the mountain Himalaya ..

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मुल मन्त्र (Fundamental or Foundational Mantra)

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ॐ नमो नारायण ।।

I bow to Narayana.

द्वय मन्त्र (Second Mantra)

श्रीमन्नारायण चरणौ शरणं प्रपद्ये ।। श्रीमते नारायणाय नमः ।।

I take refuge in the feet of Lord Narayana.

चरम श्लोक (Final Mantra)

सर्व धर्मान् परित्यज्य मां एकं शरणं व्रज । अहं त्वां सर्व पापेभ्यो मोक्ष-यिष्यामि मा शुचः ।।

Abandoning all duties, take refuge in ME alone. I will liberate thee from all sins; grieve not.

Essence of Gita

मन्मना भव मद्भक्तो मद्याजी मां नमस्कर । मामेवैष्यसि सत्यं ते प्रतिजाने प्रियोऽसि मे ।।

Fix thy mind on Me, be devoted to Me, sacrifice to Me, bow down to Me. Thou shalt come even to Me; truly do I promise unto thee, for thou art dear to me.

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।। विष्णु ।।

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शुक्लाम्बर धरं विष्णुं शशि वर्ण चतुर्भुजम् । प्रसन्न वदनं ध्यायेत् सर्व विघ्नो-पशान्तये ।।

In order to remove all obstacles, one should meditate on Lord Vishnu as wearing a white garment, having the complexion like the moon, and having four arms and a pleasant countenance.

नमः कमल नाभाय नमस्ते जल शायिने । नमस्ते केशवानन्त वासुदेव नमोऽस्तुते ।।

Salutation to vishhNu, the lotus-navelled who is resting in water. O keshava, O Ananta, O Vaasudeva, salutations to you.

मङ्गलं भगवान् विष्णुर्मङ्गलं गरुडध्वजः । मङ्गलं पुण्डरीकाक्षो मङ्गलायतनं हरिः ।।

Auspicious is Lord Vishnu, auspicious is the one with the mascot garuDa, auspicious is the one with eyes like a lotus; Lord Hari is indeed the storehouse of auspiciousness!

शांता-कारं भुजग-शयनं पद्म-नाभं सुरेशम् विश्वा-धारं गगन-सदृशं मेघ-वर्ण शुभाङ्गम् । लक्ष्मी-कान्तं कमल-नयनं योगिभिर्-ध्यान-गम्यम् वन्दे विष्णुं भव-भय-हरं सर्व-लोकैक-नाथम् ।।

Salutations to Lord Vishnu, the one with peaceful disposition, one who is reclining over the soft coil-bed of the Serpent God, the one with a lotus growing in his navel, the leader of the gods, the support of the universe, all-pervasive like the ether, cloud-colored one, ausipicious-bodied one, the Spouse of Laxmi, lotus eyed one, visible to the yogis in their meditations, remover of the fear of the rounds of rebirth, the unique Lord of all the worlds, salutations!

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मेघश्यामं पीतकौशेयवासं श्रीवत्साङ्कं कौस्तुभोद्गासिताङ्गम् । पुण्योपेतं पुण्डरीकायताक्षं विष्णुं वन्दे सर्वलोकैकनाथम् ।।

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I salute Vishnu, the unique Lord of all the worlds, dark like the laden cloud, clad in yellow robe, marked on the chest by the sign of Srivatsa, his frame lit up by the Kaustubha gem that adorns Him, ever immaculate and with eyes long and bright like the white lotus.

सशङ्ख चक्रं सिकरीट कुण्डलं सपीत वस्त्रं सरसीर-हेक्षणम् । सहार वक्षःस्थल शोभि कौस्तुभं नमामि विष्णुं शिरसा चतुर्भुजम् ।।

I bow my head to Vishnu, carrying a conch and a disc, wearing a crown and ear-rings, wrapped in a yellow garment, with eyes like lotus, with a garland and the Kaustubha gem lying on his chest and possessing four hands.

वनमाली गदी शाङ्गी शङ्खी चक्री च नन्दकी । श्रीमान् नारायणो विष्णुर्वासुदेवोऽभिरक्षत् ।।

Shriman NaaraayaNa is adorned with the garland Vaijayantee and armed with gadaa (mace), the bow Shaarnga, the conch, the discus and the sword (nandakee). He is Vishnu (the all-pervading) and Vasudeva (the indweller of all). May that Vasudeva protect us all.

विष्णुं जिष्णुं महा विष्णुं प्रभ विष्णुं महेश्वरम् । अनेक रूपं दैत्यान्तं नमामि पुरुषोत्तमम् ।।

I bow to Vishnu, the victorious, the all-pervading, the Mighty, the Lord of all, the Destroyer of evil, having many forms and the highest Purusha.

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चरितं रघुनाथस्य शतकोटि प्रविस्तरम् । एकैकमक्षरं पुंसां महापातकनाशनम् ।।१।।

The life story of Shri RAma has a vast expanse and each and every letter of it is capable of destroying even the greatest sins of mankind.

ध्यात्वा नीलोत्पल श्यामं रामं राजीव लोचनम् । जानकी लक्ष्मणो पेतं जटा मुकुट मंडितम् ।।२।।

Let us meditate on the lotus-eyed, dark-complexioned Rama who is well-adorned with a crown of hair and has Sita and Lakshmana alongside .

सासि तूण धनुर् बाण पाणिं नक्तं चरान्तकम् । स्व लीलया जगत्रातुं आविर्भूतं अजं विभुम् ।।३।।

(Let us meditate on Rama) who has a sword in a receptacle and bow, and arrows, who destroyed the demons, who is not born but is incarnated to protect the world with his actions .

आरामः कल्प वृक्षाणां विरामः सकलापदाम् । अभिरामस्त्रिलोकानां रामः श्रीमान्स नः प्रभुः ।।१६ ।।

Rama, who grants all desires, removes all obstacles and is the praise of all three worlds, is our `Lord' indeed .

रामाय राम भद्राय राम चंद्राय वेधसे । रघु नाथाय नाथाय सीतायाः पतये नमः ॥२७॥

I salute that Rama who is benevolent and cool as moon, and who is the lord of Sita and the master guardian of all.

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श्री राम राम रघुनंदन राम राम ।श्री राम राम भरताग्रज राम राम । श्री राम राम रणकर्कश राम राम ।श्री राम राम शरणं भव राम राम ।। २८।।

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I surender to that Rama who is the delight of the Raghus, elder brother of Bharata and the tormentor of his enemies in the war .

श्री रामचंद्र चरणौ मनसा स्मरामि ।श्री रामचंद्र चरणौ वचसा गृणामि । श्री रामचंद्र चरणौ शिरसा नमामि ।श्री रामचंद्र चरणौ शरणं प्रपद्ये ।। २९।।

The two feet of Rama, I remember them in my mind, I praise them by my speech, I bow to them by my head.

I take resort in them!

माता रामो मित्पता रामचंद्रः । स्वामी रामो मत्सखा रामचंद्रः । सर्वस्वं मे रामचंद्रो दयालुः । नान्यं जाने नैव जाने न जाने ।। ३०।।

Rama is (like) my mother, father, master and friend, indeed the kind-hearted Rama is all I have . I know of no other (like him), (I really) don't!

दक्षिणे लक्ष्मणो यस्य वामे तु जनकात्मजा । पुरतो मारुतिर्यस्य तं वंदे रघुनंदनम् ।। ३१।।

I salute that Rama who has Lakshmana on his right and Sita on the left and who has Hanuman in his front .

आपदामपहर्तारं दातारं सर्वसंपदाम् । लोकाभिरामं श्रीरामं भूयो भूयो नमाम्यहम् ।। ३४ ।।

I bow again and again to Ram who removes all obstacles and grants all wealth and pleases all .

श्री राम रामेति रामेति रमे रामे मनोरमे । सहस्रनाम तत्तुल्यं रामनाम वरानने ।। ३८।।

O fair-faced Parvati! I enjoy saying raama raama. Uttering but once the name `Rama' is equal to the uttering of any other `name' of God, a thousand times .

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।। नामरामायणम ।।



अ श्री सीता लक्ष्मण भरत शत्रुघ्न हनुमत् समेत श्रीरामचन्द्र परब्रह्मणे नमः ।।

।। बालकाण्डः ।।

शुद्ध ब्रह्म परात्पर राम ।
कालात्मक परमेश्वर राम ।
शेष तल्प सुख निद्रित राम ।
ब्रह्माद्यमर प्रार्थित राम ।
चण्ड किरण कुलमण्डन राम ।
श्रीमद्दशरथ नन्दन राम ।
कौसल्या सुख वर्धन राम ।
विश्वामित्र प्रिय धन राम ।
घोर ताटका घातक राम ।
मारीचादि निपातक राम ।

कौशिक मख संरक्षक राम ।
श्रीमद् अहल्यो-द्धारक राम ।
गौतम मुनि संपूजित राम ।
सुर मुनि वर गण संस्तुत राम ।
नाविक धाविक मृदु पद राम ।
मिथिला पुर जन मोहक राम ।
विदेह मानस रञ्जक राम ।
श्रयंबक कार्मुक भञ्जक राम ।
सीतार्पित वर मालिक राम ।
कृत वैवाहिक कौतुक राम ।
भार्गव दर्प विनाशक राम ।
श्रीमदयोध्या पालक राम ।

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।

।। अयोध्याकाण्डः ।।

अगणित गुण गण भूषित राम ।
अवनी तनया कामित राम ।
राका चन्द्र समानन राम ।
पितृ वाक्याश्रित कानन राम ।
प्रिय गुह विनिवेदित पद राम ।
तत्क्षालित निज मृदु पद राम ।
भरद्वाज मुखा-नन्दक राम ।
चित्रकूटाद्रि निकेतन राम ।
दशरथ सन्तत चिन्तित राम ।
कैकेयी तनयार्थित राम ।
भरतार्पित निज पादुक राम ।

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।

।। अरण्यकाण्डः ।

दण्डकावन जन पावन राम ।
दुष्ट विराध विनाशन राम ।
शरभङ्ग सुतीक्ष्णार्चित राम ।
अगस्त्या-नुग्रह वर्धित राम ।
गृध्रा-धिप संसेवित राम ।
पञ्चवटी तट सुस्थित राम ।
शूर्पणखार्त्ति विधायक राम ।
स्वर दूषण मुख सूदक राम ।
सीता प्रिय हरिणानुग राम ।
मारीचार्ति कृदाशुग राम ।
गृध्राधिप गति दायक राम ।
शबरी दत्त फला-शन राम ।
कबन्ध बाहुच्-छेदन राम ।

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।

।। किष्किन्धाकाण्डः ।।

हनुमत् सेवित निज पद राम । नत सुग्रीवा-भीष्टद राम ।

गर्वित वालि संहारक राम । वानर दूत प्रेषक राम । हितकर लक्ष्मण संयुत राम ।

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।

।। सुन्दरकाण्डः ।।

किप वर सन्तत संस्मृत राम ।
तद् गित विघ्न ध्वंसक राम ।
सीता प्राणा धारक राम ।
दुष्ट दशानन दूषित राम ।
शिष्ट हनूमद् भूषित राम ।
सीता वेदित काकावन राम ।
कृत चूडामणि दर्शन राम ।
किप वर वचना-श्वासित राम ।

रामराम जयराजा राम । रामराम जयसीता राम ।

।। युद्धकाण्डः ।

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रावण निधन प्रस्थित राम । वानर सैन्य समावृत राम । शोषित सरिदी-शार्थित राम । विभीष्णा-भय दायक राम । पर्वत सेतु निबन्धक राम । क्म्भकर्ण शिर-श्छेदन राम । राक्षस सङ्घ विमर्दक राम । अहि महि रावण चारण राम । संहृत दश मुख रावण राम । विधि भव मुख सुर संस्तुत राम । खःस्थित दशरथ वीक्षित राम । सीता दर्शन मोदित राम । अभिषिक्त विभीषण नत राम । पुष्पक याना रोहण राम । भरद्वाजादि निषेवण राम । भरत प्राण प्रिय कर राम । साकेत पुरी भूषण राम । सकलस्-वीयस मानस राम । रत्न लसत् पीठा स्थित राम । पट्टा भिषेका-लंकृत राम । पार्थिव कुल सम्मानित राम । विभीषणार्पित रङ्गक राम । कीशकुला-नुग्रह-कर राम ।

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भक्ति परायण मुक्तिद राम ।

सर्व चराचर पालक राम ।

सकल जीव संरक्षक राम । समस्त लोकोद्धारक राम ।

सर्व भवामय वारक राम । राम राम जय राजा राम । वैकुण्ठालय संस्थित राम । राम राम जय सीता राम । नित्या-नन्द पद स्थित राम ।

॥ उत्तरकाण्डः ॥

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।

आगत मुनिगण संस्तुत राम ।
विश्वत दशकण्ठो-इव राम ।
सीतालिङ्गन निर्वृत राम ।
नीति सुरक्षित जन पद राम ।
विपिन त्याजित जनकज राम ।
कारित लवणा-सुर वध राम ।
स्वर्गत शम्बुक संस्तुत राम ।
स्वतनय कुश लव नंदित राम ।
अश्वमेध ऋतु दीक्षित राम ।
आयोध्यक जन मुक्तिद राम ।
विधि मुख विबुधा-नन्दक राम ।
तेजोमय निज रूपक राम ।
संसृति बन्ध विमोचक राम ।
धर्म स्थापन तत्पर राम ।

कीर्तन

भयहर मङ्गल दशरथ राम । जय जय मङ्गल सीता राम । मङ्गलकर जय मङ्गल राम । सङ्गत शुभ विभवोदय राम । आनन्दामृत वर्षक राम । आश्रित वत्सल जय जय राम ।

रघुपति राघव राजा राम । पतित पावन सीता राम ।

राम राम जय राजा राम । राम राम जय सीता राम ।।

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वसुदेव सुतं देवं कंस चाणूरमर्दनं । देवकी परमानंदं कृष्णं वंदे जगद्गुरुं ।।

Salutations to Lord Krishna, who is the teacher of the universe, son of Vasudeva, destroyer of Ka.nsa and ChaaNura and the supreme bliss of (mother) Devakii.

मूकं करोति वाचालं पङ्गं लङ्घयते गिरिम् । यत्कृपा तमहं वन्दे परमानन्दमाधवम् ।।

I salute that All-bliss Maadhava whose compassion makes the mute eloquent and the cripple cross mountains.

नमो ब्रह्मण्यदेवाय गोब्राह्मणहिताय च । जगद्भिताय कृष्णाय गोविंदाय नमो नमः ।।

Salutations to Govinda, the dark complexioned one, the God of Brahmanas, protector of cattle and wellwisher of people.

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कृष्णाय वासुदेवाय देवकी नंदनाय च । नंदगोपकुमाराय गोविंदाय नमो नमः ।।

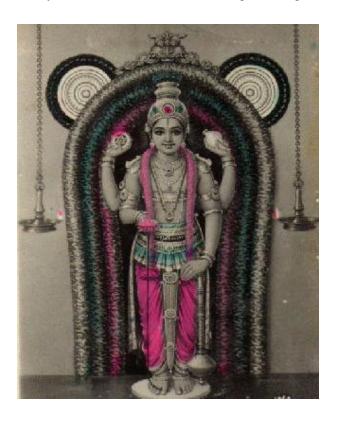
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Salutations to Lord Krishna, the son of Vasudeva and Devaki, raised by Nandagopa, and also known as Govinda.

कृष्णाय वासुदेवाय हरये परमात्मने ।
प्रणत क्लेश नाशाय गोविन्दाय नमो नमः ।।

Adorations to Lord Krishna, who is the son of Vasudeva, who is Lord hari (destroyer of ignorance), who is the Supreme Divinity! I have taken refuge in Him. May he destroy all the afflictions (miseries) of life.

My adorations to Govinda (Krishna) again and again.



आकाशात् पतितं तोयं यथा गच्छिति सागरम् । सर्वदेवनमस्कारान् केशवं प्रतिगच्छिति ।।

Just as every drop of rain that falls from the sky flows into the Ocean, in the same way all prayers offered to any Deity goes to Lord Krishna (Bhagvan Vishnu).

।। गुरुवातपुरीश पञ्चरत्नं ।।

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कल्याणरूपाय कलौ जनानां कल्याणदात्रे करुणासुधाब्दे । शङ्कादि दिव्यायुध सत्कराय वातालयाधीश नमोऽनमस्ते ।।१।।

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> नारायणेत्याति जपद्भिरुच्चैः भक्तैः सदापूर्णमहालयाय । स्वतीर्थगाङ्गोपं वारिमग्न निवर्तिताशेषरुजे नमस्ते ।। २।।

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> ब्राह्मे मुहूर्ते परिधः स्वभक्तैः संदृष्टसर्वोत्तमविश्वरूप । स्वतैलसंसेवकरोगहर्त्रे वातालयाधीश नमोऽनमस्ते ।।३।।

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बालान् स्वकीयान् तवसन्निधाने दिव्यान्नदानात्परिपालयिद्धः । सदा पठिद्वश्च पुराणरत्नं संसेवितायास्तु नमो हरे ते ।। ४।।

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नित्यान्नदात्रे च महीसुरेभ्यः नित्यं दिविस्थैर्निशि पूजिताय । मात्रा च पित्रा च तथोद्धवेन संपूजितायास्तु नमोऽनमस्ते ।। ४ ।।

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अनंतरामाख्य मिहप्रणीतं स्तोत्रं पठेद्यस्तु नरस्त्रिकालम् । वातालयेशस्य कृपाफलेन लभेत सर्वाणि च मङ्गलानि ।। गुरुवातपुरीश पञ्चकाख्यं स्तुतिरत्नं पठतां सुमङ्गल स्यात् । हृदि चापि विशेत् हरिः स्वयं तु रितनाथायुततुल्यदेहकान्तिः ।।

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Our pranams to Lord Guruvaayurappa, who endows all wealth on the people in Kaliyuga, who is the embodiment of all auspicious things, is an ocean of mercy and is holding divine weapons like Shankha and Chakkra in his hands . 1..

We bow down to lord Guruvayurappa in whose temple the devotees chant divine names of the lord like Narayana, whose divine water is equivalent to ganges and can remove the troubles of devotees who take a dip in it. 2...

Our salutations to that Guruvaayurappa whose glorious VishwaRoopa is surrounded and seen by devotees at the auspicious Bramha Muhurtha and whose annointed oil cures the ailments of the devotees . 3..

Our humble Namaskarams to that Hari at whose temple devotees perform Anna-praasanam to their children with your divine prasadam and incessantly chant the Bhagavatam which is a jewel among the puranas . 4..

We prostrate to Lord Guruvaayurappa who bestows food upon devotees, who is worshipped by the devas at night and who is worshipped by his own parents and by Uddhawa -a devotee and close friend . 5..

Whoever reads this verse, composed by Anantha Rama Dikshitar, three times a day everyday, he shall get the blessings of Lord Guruvaayurappa.

Whoever reads this slokam called Guruvaadhapureesa Pancharatnam will make his heart the abode of The Lord Hari who is as handsome as ten thousand Manmatha and shall be blessed with eternal prosperity.

Narayana Narayana Narayana Narayana ...

।। मधुराष्ट्रकम् ।।

अधरं मधुरं वदनं मधुरं नयनं मधुरं हिसतं मधुरम् । हृदयं मधुरं गमनं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।।१।।

Krishna's lip, face, eye, smile, heart and gait are all sweet and nice.

Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

वचनं मधुरं चरितं मधुरं वसनं मधुरं विलतं मधुरम् । चिलतं मधुरं भ्रमितं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।।२।।

His words/utterances, character, dress, bodily form, gait and roaming about, are all sweet.

Everything about the lord of sweetness is sweet ...

वेणुर्मधुरो रेणुर्मधुरः पाणिर्मधुरः पादौ मधुरौ । नृत्यं मधुरं सख्यं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरखिलं मधुरम् ।।३।।

His flute (its notes), dust under his feet, hand, feet, dance and friendship/company are all sweet. Everything about the lord of sweetness is sweet.

गीतं मधुरं पीतं मधुरं भुक्तं मधुरं सुप्तं मधुरम् । रूपं मधुरं तिलकं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरखिलं मधुरम् ।। ४।।

His song, drinking act, eating act, sleeping pose, personality, and the mark on his forehead are all sweet. Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

करणं मधुरं तरणं मधुरं हरणं मधुरं रमणं मधुरम् । विमतं मधुरं श्रमितं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।। ४।।

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His action, swimming, stealing/snatching, sport, mutterings and timid actions are all sweet. Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

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गुञ्जा मधुरा बाला मधुरा यमुना मधुरा वीची मधुरा । सलिलं मधुरं कमलं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।।६।।

His playing on the flute, young girl friend, the river Yamuna, its waves, water and the lotus are all sweet. Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

गोपी मधुरा लीला मधुरा युक्तं मधुरं मुक्तं मधुरम् । दृष्टं मधुरं शिष्टं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।। ७।।

His cowherd girl friends, their sport, company, separation, looking at them and their good behaviour are all sweet.

Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

गोपा मधुरा गावो मधुरा यष्टिर्मधुरा सृष्टिर्मधुरा । दिलतं मधुरं फलितं मधुरं मधुराधिपतेरिखलं मधुरम् ।। द ।।

The cowherd boy friends, the cows, the forms he creates, his domination over all and the results therefrom are all sweet.

Everything about the Lord of sweetness is sweet.

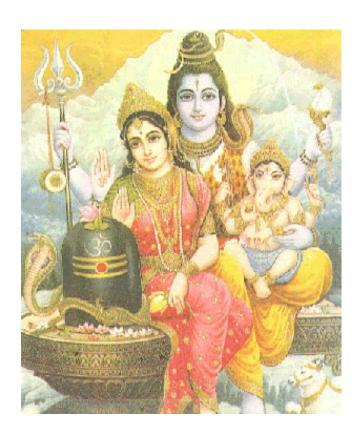
।। इति श्रीमद्बल्लभाचार्यविरचितं मधुराष्टकं सम्पूर्ण ।।

All that is His, of the Lord of Sweetness, I love it, it's so sweet, it's so sweet.

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कर्पूरगौरं करुणावतारं संसारसारं भुजगेन्द्रहारम् । सदा वसन्तं हृदयारविन्दे भवं भवानीसहितं नमामि ॥

I salute to that Ishwar along with Bhavani (Shiva and Parvati), who is as white as camphor, an incarnation of compassion, the essence of this world, who wears a serpant around his neck and is ever present in the lotus abode of our hearts.

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शिवपंचाक्षरस्तोत्र

नागेन्द्रहाराय त्रिलोचनाय भस्माङ्गरागाय महेश्वराय । नित्याय शुद्धाय दिगम्बराय तस्मै नकाराय नमः शिवाय ॥१॥

Salutations to Shiva, who wears the King of snakes as a garland, the Three-eyed God, whose body is smeared with ashes, the great Lord, the eternal and pure One, who wears the directions as His garment, and who is represented by the ``na " kAra (term).

मन्दाकिनि-सिललचन्दन-चर्चिताय नन्दीश्वर-प्रमथनाथ-महेश्वराय । मन्दारपुष्प-बहुपुष्प-सुपूजिताय तस्मै मकाराय नमः शिवाय ।। २।।

I bow to Shiva, who has been worshipped with water from the gangA (mandAkini) and annointed with sandalwood paste, the Lord of nandI, the Lord of the host of goblins and ghosts, the great Lord, who is worshiped with mandAra and many other kinds of flowers, and who is represented by the syllable ``ma. "

शिवाय गौरीवदनाब्ज-वृन्द-सूर्याय दक्षाध्वरनाशकाय । श्रीनीलकण्ठाय वृषध्वजाय तस्मै शिकाराय नमः शिवाय ।। ३।।

Salutations to Shiva, who is all-auspiciousness, Who is the sun that causes the lotus face of GaurI (PArvatI) to blossom, Who is the destroyer of the Yajna of daksha, whose throat is blue (nIlakaNTha), whose flag bears the emblem of the bull, and who is represented by the syllable ``shi."

वसिष्ठ-कुम्भोद्भव-गौतमार्यमुनीन्द्र-देवार्चितशेखराय । चन्द्रार्क-वैश्वानरलोचनाय तस्मै वकाराय नमः शिवाय ।। ४।।

VasishhTha, agastya, Gautama, and other venerable sages, and Indra and other Gods have worshipped the head of (Shiva's linga). I bow to that Shiva whose three eyes are the moon, sun and fire, and who is represented by the syllable ``va."

यक्षस्वरूपाय जटाधराय पिनाकहस्ताय सनातनाय । दिव्याय देवाय दिगम्बराय तस्मै यकाराय नमः शिवाय ।। प्र ।।

Salutations to Shiva, who bears the form of a Yaksha, who has matted hair on His head, Who bears the pinAka bow in His hand, the Primeval Lord, the brilliant God, who is digambara (naked), and who is represented by the syllable ``ya."

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पंचाक्षरमिदं पुण्यं यः पठेच्छिवसन्निधौ । शिवलोकमवाप्नोति शिवेन सह मोदते ।।

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Anyone who recites this sacred five-syllabled mantra, (namaH shivAya) near the Shiva (linga), attains the abode of Shiva and rejoices there with Shiva.



त्रयम्बकं यजामहे
सुगन्धिं पृष्टिवर्धनम् ।
उर्वारकिमव बन्धनान्
मृत्योर्मुक्षीय मामृतात् ।।

This is the Maha Mrityunjaya Mantra.

We worship the three-eyed One (Lord Siva)
Who is fragrant and who nourishes well all beings;
may He liberate us from death for the sake of Immortality
even as the cucumber is severed from
its bondage (to the creeper).

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।। लिङ्गाष्टकं ।।

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ब्रह्ममुरारिसुरार्चितिलङ्गम् निर्मलभासितशोभितिलङ्गम् । जन्मजदुःखविनाशकिलङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिविलङ्गम् ।।१।।

The Linga that is worshipped by Brahma, Vishnu, and all the Gods, the Linga that is pure of speech and is radiant, the Linga that destroys the sorrow arising out of birth, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 1

देवमुनिप्रवरार्चितलिङ्गम् कामदहम् करुणाकर लिङ्गम् । रावणदर्पविनाशनलिङ्गम् तत प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।। २।।

The Linga that is worshipped by the sages, the destroyer of of Kama, Linga, the compassionate, the Linga, the destroyer of the arrogance of Ravana, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 2

सर्वसुगन्धिसुलेपितिलङ्गम् बुद्धिविवर्धनकारणिलङ्गम् । सिद्धसुरासुरवन्दितिलङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।।३।।

The Linga that is well annointed with all fragrance and that which is the cause of the growth of intellect, the Linga who is worshipped by the Siddhas, Devas, and Asuras, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 3

कनकमहामणिभूषितिलङ्गम् फिनपितिवेष्टित शोभित लिङ्गम् । दक्षसुयज्ञ विनाशन लिङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।। ४।।

The Linga adorned with gold and precious jewels, who is radiant and who has the king of serpents, coiled around him, the Linga who destroyed the yaina of Daksha, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 4

कुङ्कमचन्दनलेपितलिङ्गम् पङ्कजहारसुशोभितलिङ्गम् । सञ्चितपापविनाशनलिङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।। ५ ।।

The Linga annointed with saffron and sandal paste and appears radient with a garland of lotuses, the Linga that destroys accumulated sins, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 5

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देवगणार्चित सेवितलिङ्गम् भावैर्भिक्तिभिरेव च लिङ्गम् । दिनकरकोटिप्रभाकरलिङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।।६।।

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The Linga who is worshipped and archan is offered by the gods, the Linga who is worshipped with an attitude of devotion, the Linga who is effulgent like a million suns, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 6

अष्टदलोपरिवेष्टितलिङ्गम् सर्वसमुद्भवकारणलिङ्गम् । अष्टदरिद्रविनाशितलिङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।। ७।।

The Linga that is enveloped with eight-fold petals, the Linga that is the cause of all creation and that which destroys the eightfold poverty, to that Linga, (representing) Sadashiva, my prostrations. 7

सुरगुरुसुरवरपूजित लिङ्गम् सुरवनपुष्प सदार्चित लिङ्गम् । परात्परं परमात्मक लिङ्गम् तत् प्रणमामि सदाशिव लिङ्गम् ।। ८ ।।

The Linga who is worshipped by the guru of the gods and elite of the devas, the Linga who is worshipped with the divine flowers and the Linga who is higher than the highest, the supreme Self, to that Linga, (representing)

Sadashiva, my prostrations. 8

लिङ्गाष्टकमिदं पुण्यं यः पठेत् शिवसन्निधौ । शिवलोकमवाप्नोति शिवेन सह मोदते ।।

Anyone who recites these eight sacred verses regarding the Linga, near the Shiva sannidhi, attains the abode of Shiva and rejoices there with Shiva.

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मनोजवं मारुत तुल्य वेगम् जितेन्द्रियं बुद्धिमतां वरिष्ठम् । वातात्मजं वानर यूथ मुख्यम् श्री राम दूतं शरणं प्रपद्ये ।।

I take refuge in the lord Hanuman who is as fast as the mind, equals his father, the wind-God, in speed, is the master of the senses, the foremost amongst the learned, the leader of the Monkey forces and the great messenger of Shri Rama.

अतुलितबलधामं हेमशैलाभदेहं दनुजवनकृशानुं ज्ञानिनामग्रगण्यम् । सकलगुणनिधानं वानराणामधीशं रघुपतिप्रियभक्तं वातजातं नमामि ।।

Adorations to Lord Hanuman! I adore Lord Hanuman, who is the abode of incomparable strength, whose body shines like a mountain of gold, who is the fire unto the forest of demons, who is the chief among the wise, who is the beloved devotee of Bhagvan Rama and the son of Wind-God.

बुद्धिर्बलं यशो धैर्य निर्भयत्वमरोगता । अजाड्यं वाक्पटुत्वं च हनूमत्स्मरणाङ्गवेत् ।।

When we pray to Lord Hanuman, we will be blessed with intellect, strength, fame, courage, fearlessness, freedom from all ailments, wisdom and diplomacy in speech.

यत्र यत्र रघुनाथ कीर्तनं तत्र तत्र कृतमस्तकाञ्जलिम् । भाष्पवारि परिपूर्ण लोचनं मारुतिं नमत राक्षसान्तकम् ।।

Wherever there is the song in praise of Lord Rama, there always is, with head bowed in respect and eyes brimming with tears of joy, Hanuman, the exterminator of rakshasas, to him are our salutations.

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In Conclusion

कायेन वाचा मनसेंद्रियैर्वा । बुद्ध्यात्मना वा प्रकृतिस्वभावात् । करोमि यद्यत् सकलं परस्मै । नारायणायेति समर्पयामि ।।

Whatever I perform with my body, speech, mind, limbs, intellect, or my inner self either intentionally or unintentionally, I dedicate it all to that Supreme Lord Narayana.

असर्वेषां स्वस्तिर्भवतु । सर्वेषां शान्तिर्भवतु । सर्वेषां पूर्ण भवतु । सर्वेषां मंगलं भवतु ।।

May Auspiciousness be unto all!

May Peace be unto all!

May Fullness be unto all!

May Prosperity be unto all!

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।। शांति पाठ ।।

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Peace Prayers

अ पूर्णमदः पूर्णमिदं पूर्णात् पूर्णमुदच्यते ।

पूर्णस्य पूर्णमादाय पूर्णमेवावशिष्यते ।

अ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ।।

Om. That (supreme Brahman) is infinite, complete, and this (conditioned Brahman) is infinite.

The infinite proceeds from the infinite, supreme Brahman. Through knowledge, taking the infinite from the infinite, conditioned Brahman, it remains as the infinite unconditioned Brahman alone.

Om Peace, Peace, Peace!

सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः । सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु मा कश्चिद् दुःख भाग्भवेत् ।

May all be happy! May all be free of diseases! May all see what is good! May no one suffer from misery!

> असतो मा सद्गमय । तमसो मा ज्योतिर्गमय । मृत्योमीऽमृतं गमय । अ शांतिः शांतिः शांतिः ।।

Om Lead us from untruth to truth, from darkness to light, from death to immortality.

Om Peace Peace Peace.

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शं नो मित्रः शं वरुणः । शं नो भवत्वर्यमा । शं न इन्द्रो बृहस्पतिः । शं नो विष्णुरुरुक्रमः । नमो ब्रह्मणे । नमस्ते वायो । त्वमेव प्रत्यक्षं ब्रह्मासि । त्वमे वप्रत्यक्षं ब्रह्म विष्यामि । ऋतं विष्यामि । सत्यं विष्यामि । तन्मामवतु । तद्वक्तारमवतु । अवतु माम् । अवतु वक्तारम् । ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ।।

May peace be to us, Mitra. May peace be to us, Varuna. May peace be to us, Aryama. May peace be to us, Indra and Brihaspati. May far-striding Vishnu be good to us. Prostrations to the Eternal. Adoration to thee, O Vayu. Thou, thou art the visible Eternal, I shall proclain thee as the visible Eternal. I shall call thee the Just and the True. May that protect me! May that protect the speaker! Yea, may it protect me! May it protect the teacher! Yea, may it protect me! May it protect the teacher!

OM! Peace! Peace! Peace!

ॐ द्यौः शान्तिः । अन्तरिक्षं शान्तिः ।पृथ्वी शान्तिः ।रापः शान्तिः । औषधयः शान्तिः ।वनस्पतयः शान्तिः ।विश्वेदेवाः शान्तिः ।ब्रह्मा शान्तिः ।सर्व शान्तिः ।शान्तिरेव शान्तिः साम शान्तिरेधि ।।ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ।।

O Supreme Lord!

Thy celestial regions are full of peace and harmony. Peace reigns on thy earth and thy waters. The herbs and trees are full of peace.

All thy forces of nature are full of peace and harmony. There is peace and perfection in thy eternal knowledge. Everything in the universe is peaceful and Peace pervades everywhere.

O Lord, may thy peace come to me! OM Peace Peace!

Prayer for Protection

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अ भद्रं कर्णेभिः शृणुयाम देवाः ।
भद्रं पश्येमाक्षभिर्यजत्राः ।
स्थिरैरंगैस्तुष्टुवांसस्तनूभिः ।
व्यशेम देवहितं यदायुः ।।
स्वस्ति न इन्द्रो वृद्धश्रवाः ।
स्वस्ति नः पूषा विश्ववेदाः ।
स्वस्तिनस्ताक्ष्यों अरिष्टनेमिः ।
स्वस्तिनों बृहस्पतिर्दधात् ।।
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ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ।।

O worshipful ones, may our ears hear what is pure and auspicious! May we see what is auspicious! May we sing your praise, live our alloted span of life in perfect health and strength. May Indra, who is extolled in the scriptures, Pushan, the all knowing Trakshya, who saves us all from harm, and Brihaspati, who protects our spiritual lustre vouchsafe prosperity, scriptural study and the practice of truths contained therein.

OM Peace Peace!

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त्वमेकं शरण्यं त्वमेकं वरण्यम्
त्वमेकं जगत्पालकं स्वप्नकाशम् ।
त्वमेकं जगत्कर्तृ पातृप्रहर्तृ
त्वमेकं परं निश्चलं निर्विकल्पम् ।।

O Thou my only refuge, O thou my one desire,
O thou the one protector of the world,
the radiant one; thou the sole creator,
sustainer and dissolver of the world,
the one great motionless being,
free from all change.

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ओंकारं बिन्दुसंयुक्तं नित्यं ध्यायन्ति योगिनः । कामदं मोक्षदं चैव ओंकाराय नमो नमः ।।

The realized souls meditate daily upon the OMkaara which is conjoined with a dot. Prostrations again and again to the brahman denoted by OMkaara who fulfills all desires and is also the giver of liberation.

गणेश

एकदंतं महाकायं तप्तकाञ्चनसन्निभम् । लंबोदरं विशालाक्षं वन्देऽहं गणनायकम् ।।

I bow down to one tusked, huge-bodied, big-bellied, large-eyed Lord Ganesha whose complexion is like that of molten gold.

गुरु

गुरुर् ब्रह्मा गुरुर् विष्णूः गुरुर् देवो महेश्वरः । गुरुर्-एव परं ब्रह्म तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः ।।

Guru is indeed the Creator in the form Lord Brahma, he is indeed the Sustainer as Lord Vishnu, and Destroyer as Lord Shiva, in fact he is the limitless Brahman, I salute to such a Guru!

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सरस्वति नमस्तुभ्यं वरदे कामरूपिणि । विद्यारम्भं करिष्यामि सिद्धिर्भवतु मे सदा ।।

Oh Goddess Saraswati, my humble prostrations unto you, who are the fulfiller of all my wishes. I am beginning my study, let me attain perfection in that, always.

पद्म-पत्र विशालाक्षी पद्मरूकेशर वर्णिनी । नित्यं पद्मालयां देवी सा मां पातु सरस्वती ।।

I bow to Goddess Sarasvati, who has lotus-leaf like large eyes, whose compelxion is like a golden hued lotus, and who resides always in the lotus.

विष्णु

शांताकारं भुजगशयनं पद्मनाभं सुरेशम् विश्वाधारं गगनसदृशं मेघवर्ण शुभाङ्गम् । लक्ष्मीकान्तं कमलनयनं योगिभिर्ध्यानगम्यम् वन्दे विष्णुं भवभयहरं सर्वलोकैकनाथम् ।।

HIS visage is peaceful.

HE reposes upon the great serpent, (sheshhanaaga)

From HIS navel springs the lotus.

HE is the mainstay of the universe

HE is like the sky, all pervading.

HIS complexion is like that of clouds

HIS FORM is auspicious

HE is the consort of Goddess Laxmi.

HIS eyes are like lotus.

Yogis reach HIM through meditation.

I worship VISHNU, the destroyer of the fears of the world and the sole MASTER of all the universes.

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सरसिजनयने सरोज हस्ते धवळतरां शुकगन्धमाल्यशोभे । भगवति हरिवल्लभे मनोज्ञे त्रिभुवनभूतिकरि प्रसीदमह्यम् ।।

Oh! Goddess, with beautiful eyes, fairer in complexion than the lotus in you hands, and shining with fragrant garlands. You are indeed the darling of Lord vishhNu and one who can know my mind. You have created these three worlds and our prosperity depends on you.

So, be pleased and bless me.

शिव

शिवं शिवकरं शान्तं शिवात्मानं शिवोत्तमम् । शिवमार्ग प्रणेधरम् प्रणतोस्मि सदाशिवम् ।।

> Salutations to Sadashiva, the ever auspicious; The leader of all auspicious paths; Sacred, purifier, embodiment of peace; Excelling the best, the auspicious Self Itself.

कृष्ण

मूकं करोति वाचालं पङ्गं लङ्मयते गिरिम् । यत्कृपा तमहं वन्दे परमानन्दमाधवम् ।।

I salute to Madhav, the supreme joy, whose grace makes a dumb person speak or a lame get strength to climb over a mountain.

राम

रामाय रामभद्राय रामचंद्राय वेधसे । रघुनाथाय नाथाय सीतायाः पतये नमः ।।

I salute that Rama who is auspicious, benevolent and cool as moon. I salute the leader of Raghu's dynasty and the husband of Sita.

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मनोजवं मारुततुल्यवेगम् जितेन्द्रियं बुद्धिमतां वरिष्ठम् । वातात्मजं वानरयूथमुख्यम् श्रीरामदूतं शिरसा नमामि ।।

This slOkam salutes HanUman as the one,

who is as fast as the mind and equalling His father (Vaayu) in His speed of travel. He is saluted as the MahA yOgi, who has conquered His IndriyAs (senses) and as the foremost among the learned and as the supreme leader of the monkey army as well as the great messenger of Sri RaamA.

Peace Prayer

अ असतो मा सद्गमय । तमसो मा ज्योतिर्गमय । मृत्योर्मा अमृतम्गमय ।। अ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ।।

> ॐ सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः । सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु मा कश्चिद् दुःख भाग्-भवेद् ।।

> > ।। श्री वेङ्कटेश मंगलाशासनम् ।।

श्रियः कान्ताय कल्याण निधये निधयेर्थिनाम् । श्री वेङ्कट निवासाय श्रीनिवासाय मङ्गळम् ।।

Glory to the Lord vishhNu, who is the consort of mahaalakshmii, and the treasure trove of auspiciousness, who grants wealth to all seekers of material wealth, who resides in the venkata mountains and in whose heart, mahalakshmi, who symbolises wealth, resides.

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We stand as one family bound to each other with love and respect.

We serve as an army, courageous and disciplined, ever ready to fight against all low tendencies and false values within and without us.

We live honestly the noble life of sacrifice and service. producing more than what we consume and giving more than what we take.

We seek the Lord's grace to keep us on the path of virtue, courage and wisdom.

May Thy grace and blessings flow through us to the world around us.

We believe that the service of our country is the service of the Lord of Lords, and devotion to the people is the devotion to the Supreme Self.

We know our responsibilities; give us the ability and courage to fulfill them.

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