

DEVI JI

श्री दुर्गा चालीसा · Shrī Durgā Chālīsā

नमो नमो दुर्गे सुख करनी। नमो नमो अम्बे दुःख हरनी॥ namo namo durge sukha karanī namo namo ambe duḥkha haranī

O Mother Durga! I repeatedly bow before you. You provide happiness to all beings. O Mother Goddess! You remove sorrow from every being's life.

निरङ्कार है ज्योति तुम्हारी। तिहूं लोक फैली उजियारी॥ niraṅkāra hai jyoti tumhārī tihữ loka phailī ujiyārī

It is your light which manifests Supreme Being and lightens all the three worlds.

शिश ललाट मुख महाबिसाला। नेत्र लाल भृकुटी विकराला॥ shashi lalāṭa mukha mahābisālā netra lāla bhṛkuṭī vikarālā

Your moon-like forehead and mouth are broad. Your eyes are red and your eyebrows are terrible.

रूप मातु को अधिक सुहावै। दरस करत जन अति सुख पावै॥ rūpa mātu ko adhika suhāvai, darasa karata jana ati sukha pāvai

O Mother! Your entire form is very beautiful. Beholding it, devotees derive supreme bliss.

तुम संसार शक्ति लय कीना। पालन हेतु अन्न धन दीना॥ tuma sansāra shakti laya kīnā pālana hetu anna dhana dīnā

It is the essence of your energy with which the whole world pulsates. You provide the means of sustenance to the whole world.

अन्नपूर्णी हुई जग पाला। तुम ही आदि सुन्दरी बाला॥

annapūrņā huī jaga pālā tuma hī ādi sundarī bālā

O Mother! You are Annapoorna and you rear this world up. You are also renowned as the primal, beautiful bala [girl].

प्रलयकाल सब नासन हारी। तुम गौरी शिव शंकर प्यारी॥ pralayakāla saba nāsana hārī tuma gaurī shiva shaṅkara pyārī

At the time of dissolution, you dismantle every part of creation. You are the beloved spouse of Lord Shankar.

शिव योगी तुम्हरे गुन गावैं। ब्रह्मा-विष्णु तुम्हे नित ध्यावैं॥ shiva yogī tumhare guna gāvaī brahmā-vishņu tumhe nita dhyāvaĭ

Lord Shiva and other great yogis ever extol your virtues and other gods including Brahma and Vishnu ever meditate on your form.

रूप सरस्वित को तुम धार्यो। दे सुबुद्धि ऋषि मुनिन उबार्यो॥ rūpa sarasvati ko tuma dhāryo de subuddhi ṛshi munina ubāryo

O Mother! You also appear in the form of the Goddess Saraswati to impart knowledge to saints and sages in order to enlighten them.

धर्यो रूप नरसिंह को अम्बा। प्रगट भई फाड़ के खम्बा॥ dharyo rūpa narasinha ko ambā pragaṭa bha-ī phāṇa ke khambā

You also appeared in the form of Narasimha who manifested his form by breaking through a pillar.

रक्षा करि प्रहल्लाद बचायौ। हिरणाकुश को स्वर्ग पठायौ॥ rakshā kari prahallāda bachāyau hiraṇākusha ko svarga paṭhāyau

[Thus by adopting the form of Narasimha] you protected Prahallad and having slain Hiranyakashyapu, you provided him a place in the heavens [because you caused his death]. लक्ष्मी रूप धरो जग माहीं। श्री नारायण अंग समाहीं॥ lakshmī rūpa dharo jaga māhī shrī nārāyaṇa aṅga samāhī

You have incarnated on the earth in the form of Lakshmi and you remain one with the form of Lord Vishnu.

क्षीरसिन्धु में करत विलासा। दया सिन्धु दीजै मन आसा॥ kshīrasindhu mē karata vilāsā dayā sindhu dījai mana āsā

You remain frolicking in the ocean of milk with Sri Narayan. O Ocean of Kindness, only you can inspire us with hope.

हिंगलाज में तुम्हीं भवानी। महिमा अमित न जात बखानी॥ hiṅgalāja mẽ tumhĩ bhavānī mahimā amita na jāta bakhānī

O Devi Bhavani! You dwell in Hingalaj. Your glory is infinite and cannot be described.

मातंगी धूमावति माता। भुवनेश्वरी बगला सुखदाता॥ mātaṅgī dhūmāvati mātā bhuvaneshvarī bagalā sukhadātā

O Mother! You are famous as Matangi and Dhoomavati! You are the Supreme Goddess of the world and the happiness-bestowing Bagla Mother is none other than you.

श्री भैरवि तारा जग तारिन। छिन्न भाल भव दुःख निवारिन॥ shrī bhairavi tārā jaga tārani chhinna bhāla bhava duḥkha nivārani

You are Goddess Bhairavi; Tara and Jagattarini are your different forms. You are Mother Chinnabhal and you alone are capable of destroying all afflictions of the world.

केहरि वाहन सोह भवानी। लंगुर वीर चलत अगवानी॥ kehari vāhana soha bhavānī laṅgura bīra chalata agavānī O Goddess Bhavani! When you move astride your lion vehicle, the brave langur [Hanumanji] always welcomes you, working as your outrider.

कर में खप्पर खड्ग विराजै। जाको देख काल डर भाजै॥ kara më khappara khaḍga virājai jāko dekha kāla ḍara bhājai

You wield a skull in one hand and a dagger in the other, looking at which even Time itself is frightened.

सोहैं कर में अस्त्र त्रिशूला। जाते उठत शत्रु हिय शूला॥ sohaï kara më astra trishūlā jāte uṭhata shatru hiya shūlā

Many other weapons appear so ferocious in your hands that a mere look at them is enough to pulverize even the most deadly enemy.

नाग कोटि में तुम्हीं बिराजत। तिहुँ लोक में डंका बाजत॥ nāga koṭi mẽ tumhĩ birājata tihữ loka mẽ ḍaṅkā bājata

O Mother Goddess! You also dwell at Nagarkot; your authority is accepted by all the three realms.

शुम्भ निशुम्भ दानव तुम मारे। रक्तबीज संखन संहारे॥ shumbha nishumbha dānava tuma māre raktabīja saṅkhana saṅhāre

O Mother! You destroyed the demons called Shumbha-Nishumbha, Raktabija and Shankha.

महिषासुर नृप अति अभिमानी। जेहि अघ भार मही अकुलानी॥ mahishāsura nṛpa ati abhimānī jehi agha bhāra mahī akulānī

A demon called Mahishasur had become very arrogant and the whole earth was distressed by the weight of his sins.

रूप कराल कालि को धारा। सेन सहित तुम तिहि संहारा॥

rūpa karāla kāli ko dhārā sena sahita tuma tihi saṅhārā

O Mother Goddess! You assumed the form of terrible Kali to slay the demon lord Mahisha and his army.

परी भीर सन्तन पर जब जब। भई सहाय मातु तुम तब तब॥ parī bhīra santana para jaba jaba bhaī sahāya mātu tuma taba taba

O Mother! Whenever noble persons and saints fell on evil days, it was you who redeemed them by providing succor.

अमरपुरी अरु वासव लोका। तव महिमा सब कहैं अशोका॥ amarapurī aru vāsava lokā tava mahimā saba kahaî ashokā

Whether in the gods' realm, Amaravati, or other realms, all dwellers remain griefless and happy only by your grace O Mother.

ज्वाला में है ज्योति तुम्हारी। तम्हें सदा पूजैं नर-नारी॥ jvālā mē hai jyoti tumhārī tumhē sadā pūjaī nara-nārī

It is the flame of your grace which enlightens the shrine at Jwalaji; all men and women ever adore you Mother!

प्रेम भक्ति से जो जस गावैं। दुःख दारिद्र निकट नहिं आवैं॥ prema bhakti se jo jasa gāvaî duḥkha dāridra nikaṭa nahĩ āvaĩ

Those who sing the glory of Mother with full devotion and allegiance remain beyond the evil effects of grief and poverty.

ध्यावें तुम्हें जो नर मन लाई। जन्म-मरण ते सो छुटि जाई॥ dhyāvē tumhē jo nara mana la-ī janma-maraṇa te so chhuṭi ja-ī

Those who meditate on your holy form with full devotion and concentration attain peace and happiness not only in this life, but they go beyond the bondage of life and death.

जोगी सुर-मुनि कहत पुकारी। योग न होइ बिन शक्ति तुम्हारी॥
jogī sura-muni kahata pukārī
yoga na ho-i bina shakti tumhārī

All yogis, gods, and seers aver in one voice that without your grace it is not possible to establish communion with the Lord Almighty.

शंकर आचारज तप कीनो। काम, क्रोध जीति सब लीनो॥ shankara āchāraja tapa kīno kāma, krodha jīti saba līno

Shankaracharya did penance by virtue of which he won over the evil emotions like anger and lust.

निशिदिन ध्यान धरो शंकर को। काहु काल निहं सुमिरौ तुमको॥ nishidina dhyāna dharo shaṅkara ko kahu kāla nahî sumirau tumako

Although he meditated on Lord Shiva day and night, never did he once remember you.

शक्ति रूप को मरम न पायौ। शक्ति गई तब मन पछितायौ। shakti rūpa ko marama na pāyau shakti ga-ī taba mana pachhitāyau

He failed to appreciate the import of Shakti's manifestation, and only when he lost his strength did he realize his mistake and repent.

शरणागत हुई कीर्ति बलानी। जय जय जय जगदम्ब भवानी॥ sharaṇāgata hu-ī kīrti bakhānī jaya jaya jagadamba bhavānī

Taking refuge at her feet, he sang her praises: Glory, glory, glory to Bhavani, the Divine Mother of the Universe!

भई प्रसन्न आदि जगदम्बा। दई शक्ति नहीं कीन बिलम्बा॥

bha-ī prasanna ādi jagadambā da-ī shakti nahī kīna bilambā

The primal Goddess Jagadamba became happy with him and appearing before him, quickly granted him all power once again.

मोको मातु कष्ट अति घरो। तुम बिन कौन हरे दुःख मेरो॥ moko mātu kashṭa ati ghero tuma bina kauna hare duhkha mero

O Mother, I am surrounded by difficulties. Who other than you can take away my sorrow?

आशा तृष्णा निपट सतावै। रिपु मूरस्व मोहि अति डर पावै॥ āshā tṛshṇā nipaṭa satāvai ripu mūrakha mohi ati ḍara pāvai

Expectations and desires are extremely tormenting. The ignorance caused by foolish limitations is extremely fearsome.

शत्रु नाश कीजे महारानी। सुमिरौं इकचित्त तुम्हें भवानी॥ shatru nāsha kīje mahārānī sumiraŭ ikachitta tumhē bhavānī

O Great Queen, please destroy all enemies. May I remember you, Bhavani, Mother of Existence, with a resolute mind.

कृपा करो हे मातु दयाला। ऋद्धि सिद्धि दै करहु निहाला॥ kṛpā karo he mātu dayālā ṛddhi siddhi dai karahu nihālā

O kindhearted Mother! Please shed your grace upon me and make me happy by providing me all sorts of abilities and riches.

जब लिंग जिऊँ दयाफल पाऊँ। तुम्हरौ जस मैं सदा सुनाऊँ॥ jaba lagi ji-ti dayāphala pā-ti tumharau jasa mē sadā sunā-ti

I seek your blessing for the reward of your grace, and may I ever sing your glories as long as I live in this world.

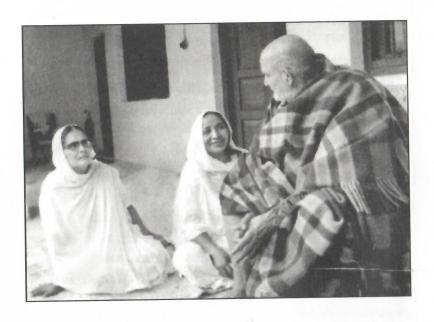
दुर्गा चालीसा जो कोई गावै। सब सुख भोग परम पद पावै॥ durgā chālīsā jo ko-ī gāvai saba sukha bhoga parama pada pāvai

Those who read this Durga Chalisa devotedly or sing it with full concentration attain the highest state after having enjoyed all pleasures of life.

देवीदास शरण निज जानी। करहु कृपा जगदम्ब भवानी॥ devīdāsa sharaṇa nija jānī karahu kṛpā jagadamba bhavānī

Says Devidas, "Deeming me to have sought shelter under your grace O Mother of the World, O Bhavani, please shed your grace upon me and be propitiated by my prayer."





दुर्गा स्तुतिः · Durgā Stutiḥ

नमो देव्ये महादेव्ये शिवाये सततं नमः। नमः प्रकृत्ये भद्राये नियताः प्रणताः स्मताम्॥१॥ namo devyai mahādevyai shivāyai satatam namaḥ namaḥ prkṛtyai bhadrāyai niyatāḥ praṇatāḥ smatām

I bow to you O self-effulgent Devi, O Supreme Goddess! I bow to Sivaa, the bestower of auspiciousness; to Prakriti, the womb of all things and beings; to Bhadra, the embodiment of all that is good and benign. Humbly and continuously I bow to you.

रौद्रायै नमो नित्यायै गौर्यै धात्र्यै नमो नमः। ज्योत्स्नायै चेन्दुरूपिण्यै सुलायै सततं नमः॥२॥ raudrāyai namo nityāyai gauryai dhātryai namo namaḥ

jyotsnāyai chendurūpiņyai sukhāyai satatam namah I bow to Rudraa and give continuous reverence to Nitya, Gauri, and Dhatri. A thousand pranaams to the moon-faced one, radiant with the moonlight, the goddess who is the basis of all happiness.

कल्याण्यै प्रणतां वृद्ध्यै सिद्धयै कुर्मी नमो नमः। नैर्ऋत्यै भूभृतां लक्ष्म्यै शर्वाण्यै ते नमो नमः॥३॥

kalyāṇyai praṇatam vṛddhyai siddhyai kurmo namo namaḥ nairtrṛtyai bhūbhṛtām lakshmyai sharvāṇyai te namo namaḥ

I bow to Tarini, to Kalyani, the bestower of auspiciousness. Repeated obeisance to Naikrurtti, who appears as inauspiciousness; to Lakshmi; to Sharvani, the power of the all-annihilating Shiva, the Blessed Mother of the World.

दुर्गायै दुर्गपारायै सारायै सर्वकारिण्यै। ख्यात्यै तथैव कृष्णायै धूम्रायै सततं नमः॥४॥

durgāyai durgapārāyai sārāyai sarvakāriņyai khyātyai tathaiva kṛshṇāyai dhūmrāyai satatam namaḥ

I bow to the Goddess Durga; to Durgapara, who takes one across the turbulent ocean of worldliness; to Sara, the essence of all things; to Sarvakarini, the cause of every thing and every being; and to Khyati, Krishna, and Dhoomra Devi.

अतिसोम्याति रौद्रायै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः। नमो जगत्प्रतिष्ठायै देव्यै कृत्यै नमो नमः॥५॥

atisaumyāti raudrāyai namastasyai namo namaḥ namo jagatpratishṭhāyai devyai kṛtyai namo namaḥ

I bow to the goddess who is at once extremely gentle and extremely terrible. To you I offer humble obeisance again and again. Prostrations to you on whom the entire universe is founded, to you who is volition, and by whose will the entire universe of things and beings has come into being.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु विष्णुमायेति शब्दिता।
नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः ॥६॥
yā devī sarvabhūteshu vishņumāyeti shabditā
namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ
I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who lives in
every being and is known by the name of Vishnu Maya.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु चेतनेत्यिभधीयते। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः॥७॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu chetanetyabhidhīyate namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as consciousness.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु बुद्धिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः॥८॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu buddhirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as wisdom.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु निद्रारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu nidrārūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai nama namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as sleep.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु क्षुधारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१०॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu kshudhārūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as hunger.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु छायारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः॥११॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu chhāyārūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as the shadow [of the Real Being].

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शक्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१२॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu shaktirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as energy.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु तृष्णारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१३॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu tṛshṇārūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as desire.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु क्षान्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१४॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu kshāntirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as forgiveness.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु जातिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१५॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu jātirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as their social position.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु लज्जारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः ॥१६॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu lajjārūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as modesty.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शान्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः ॥१७॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu shāntirūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as peace.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु श्रद्धारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः॥१८॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu shraddhārūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as faith.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु कान्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥१९॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu kāntirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as radiance.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु लक्ष्मीरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥२०॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu lakshmīrūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as abundance.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु वृत्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥२१॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu vṛttirūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as the fluctuations of the mind.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु स्मृतिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः॥२२॥

yā devī sarvabhūteshu smṛtirūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as memory.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु दयारूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥२३॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu dayārūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as compassion.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु तुष्टिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥२४॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu tushṭirūpeṇa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai nama namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as happiness.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु मातृरूपेण संस्थिता।
नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः ॥२५॥
yā devī sarvabhūteshu mātṛrūpeṇa sansthitā
namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ
I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as mother.

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु भ्रान्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमा नमः ॥२६॥ yā devī sarvabhūteshu bhrāntirūpeņa sansthitā namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is present in all beings as erroneous judgment.

इन्द्रियाणामधिष्ठात्री भूतानां चाखिलेषु या। भूतेषु सततं तस्यै व्याप्ति देव्यै नमो नमः॥२७॥ indriyāṇāmadhishṭhātrī bhūtānam chākhileshu yā bhūteshu satatam tasyai vyāpti devyai namo namaḥ I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who is the ruler of all the senses of all beings and is ever present in them.

चित्तिरूपेण या कृत्स्नमेतद्व्याप्य स्थिता जगत्। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥२८॥ chittirūpeṇa yā kṛtsnam-etad-vyāpya sthitā jagat namastasyai namastasyai namastasyai namo namaḥ

I bow again and again in reverence to the goddess who pervades the entire universe in the form of consciousness and abides in the supreme state as Pure Consciousness.



नारायणी स्तुतिः · Nārāyaṇī Stutiḥ

देवि प्रपन्नार्तिहरे प्रसीद प्रसीद मातर्जगतोऽखिलस्य।
प्रसीद विश्वेश्विर पाहि विश्वं त्वमीश्विरी देवि चराचरस्य॥१॥
devi prapannārti-hare prasīda
prasīda mātarjagato khilasya
prasīda vishveshvari pāhi vishvam
tvamīshvarī devi charācharasya

O Devi, remover of the sorrows of all those who seek you, please be gracious to us. Be gracious O Mother of the Universe! Be gracious O Mother, the cause of the universe and protector of the worlds. You are the controller of all that is movable and immovable in the universe.

आधारभूता जगतस्त्वमेका महीस्वरूपेण यतः स्थितासि। अपां स्वरूपस्थितया त्वयैत दाप्यायते कृत्स्नमलङ्घयवीर्ये॥२॥ ādhārabhūtā jagatastvamekā mahīsvarūpeņa yataḥ sthitāsi apām svarūpasthitayā tvayaita dāpyāyate kṛtsnamalaṅghyavīrye

Existing as the Earth deity, you are the support of all life. Existing as the water deity, you of inviolable valor cause the growth and prosperity of the whole world.

त्वं वैष्णवी शक्तिरनन्तवीर्या विश्वस्य बीजं परमासि माया। सम्मोहितं देवि समस्तमेतत् त्वं वै प्रसन्ना भुवि मुक्तिहेतुः॥३॥ tvam vaishnavī shaktiranantavīryā vishvasya bījam paramāsi māyā sammohitam devi samastametat tvam vai prasannā bhuvi muktihetuḥ

You are the power of Vishnu and therefore of endless valor. You are the seed from which the universe has emerged. You are the supreme Maya. This entire universe is enchanted by you. By your

prace and blessings alone can there be release from this enchanting Maya.

प्रियाः समस्तास्तव देवि भेदाः स्त्रियाः समस्ताः सकला जगत्सु। प्राथमया पूरितमम्बयैतत् का ते स्तुतिः स्तव्यपरा परोक्तिः ॥४॥ vidyah samastāstava devi bhedāḥ samastāḥ sakalā jagatsu tvayaikayā pūritamambayaitat kā te stutiḥ stavyaparā paroktiḥ

All kinds of knowledge revealed to humans in all fields of enquiry are all various aspects of you alone. All the female forms in all the worlds are your own form. Mother, all these worlds are filled by you only. Where can we find a hymn which contains praises capable of extolling you?

सर्वभूता यदा देवी स्वर्गमुक्ति प्रदायिनी। त्वं स्तुता स्तुते का वा भवन्तु परमोक्तयः॥५॥ sarvabhūtā yadā devī svargamukti pradāyinī tvam stutā stute kā vā bhavantu paramoktayaḥ

O Devi, the Effulgent One! The embodiment of all beings, bestower of worldly happiness as well as the bliss of liberation! When one begins to extol you according to one's capacity, their praise, however deficient or frail it may be, becomes excellent and meritorious.

सर्वस्य बुद्धिरूपेण जनस्य हृदि संस्थिते। स्वर्गापवर्गदे देवि नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥६॥ sarvasya buddhirūpeņa janasya hṛdi sansthite svargāpavargade devi nārāyaṇi namo stute

O Devi, the Effulgent One! O Narayani! Prostrations to you who abides as the power of intelligence in all beings and bestows the joy of heavenly pleasures and also the bliss of liberation.

कला काष्ठादिरूपेणपरिणामप्रदायिनी । विश्वस्योपरतौ शक्त्यै नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते ॥७॥

kalā kāshṭhādirūpeṇa pariṇāmapradāyinī vishvasyoparatau shaktyai nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, who in the form of milliseconds, seconds, minutes, and such measures of time sustains the continuity of Time and the evolutionary progress in the universe, and at the end causes the dissolution of that universe which you yourself created.

सर्व मङ्गल माङ्गल्ये शिवे सर्वार्थ साधिके। शरण्ये त्र्यम्बके गौरि नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥८॥

sarva maṅgala māṅgalye shive sarvārtha sādhike sharaṇye tryambake gauri nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you, O Narayani, who bestows auspiciousness upon all auspicious objects, who bestows fulfillment in all fields of pursuit, and who is merciful to those who take refuge in you O Three-eyed Goddess!

मृष्टिस्थितिविनाशानां शक्तिभूते सनातिन। गुणाश्रये गुणमये नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१॥

sṛshṭisthitivināshānaṁ shaktibhūte sanātani guṇāshraye guṇamaye nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani! To you, the cause for the cyclic phenomenon of creation, sustenance, destruction; the Eternal One; the repository of the three gunas [sattva, rajas, tamas] and the power that pervades and activates these gunas.

शरणागतदीनार्तपरित्राणपरायणे। सर्वस्यार्त्तिहरे देवि नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१०॥

sharaṇāgatadīnārtaparitrāṇaparāyaṇe sarvasyārttihare devi nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you, O Narayani, who is so intent to protect the distressed and impoverished ones who take refuge in you!

Prostrations to you Devi, the destroyer of the sorrows of all beings.

हंसयुक्तविमानस्थे ब्रह्माणीरूपधारिणि। कौशाम्भः क्षरिके देवि नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥११॥

hansayuktavimänasthe brahmāṇīrūpadhāriṇi kaushāmbhaḥ ksharike devi nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to You O Narayani, in the form of Brahmaani, the power of Lord Brahma, who sits in an aerial chariot drawn by the celestial swan and purifies the worlds with sanctified water sprinkled by the Kusa grass.

त्रिशूलचन्द्राहिधरे महावृषभवाहिनि । माहेश्वरीस्वरूपेण नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते ॥१२॥

trishūlachandrāhidhare mahāvṛshabhavāhini māheshvarīsvarūpeṇa nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of Maheswari, the power of Lord Shiva, who wears the crescent and the divine serpents, holds a trident, and rides on the celestial bull.

मयूरकुक्कुटवृते महाशक्तिधरेऽनघे। कौमारीरूपसंस्थाने नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१३।

mayūrakukkuṭavṛte mahāshaktidhare naghe kaumārīrūpasansthāne nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of Kaumari, the power of Kumara [the commander-in-chief of the divine forces], who rides the celestial peacock, is armed with invincible power crystallized in the form of a spear, has the insignia of a cock on her flag, and is ever immaculate.

शङ्खचक्रगदाशार्ङ्ग गृहीत परमायुधे। प्रसीद वैष्णवीरूपे नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१४॥

shankhachakragadāshārnga gṛhīta paramāyudhe prasīda vaishṇavīrūpe nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of Vaishnavi, the power of Lord Vishnu, armed with the most powerful weapons: the conch, discus, mace and bow. May you be pleased with us.

गृहीतोग्रमहाचक्रे दंष्ट्रोद्धृत वसुन्धरे। वराहरूपिणि शिवे नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१५॥

gṛhītogramahāchakre dańshṭroddhrata vasundhare varāharūpiṇi shive nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of Vaarahi, the power of Lord Vishnu in the form of a wild boar, who sports a huge face with tusks curved upwards on which is upheld the Earth deity. [Earth was once tormented and submerged in the oceanic waters by the asura Hiranyaksha and was recovered by Vishnu in his incarnation as the wild boar.] To you of auspicious form, our prostrations.

नृसिंहरूपेणोग्रेण हन्तुं दैत्यान् कृतोद्यमे । त्रैलोक्यत्राणसहिते नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते ॥१६॥

nṛsinharūpeṇogreṇa hantum daityān kṛtodyame trailokyatrāṇasahite nārāyani namo stute

Prostrations to you, O Narayani, who took the form of Naarasimhi, the power of Lord Vishnu in his incarnation as a human lion [having a body of a man and the head of a lion] to annihilate the demon [Hiranyakasipu] and thus became worshipful on account of her eagerness to protect the three worlds [from the aggression of demonic forces].

किरीटिनि महावज्रे सहस्रनयनोज्ज्वले। वृत्रप्राणहरे चैन्द्रि नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१७॥

kirīṭini mahāvajre sahasranayanojjvale vṛtraprāṇahare chaindri nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of Indrani, who wears a crown and is armed with the powerful weapon Vajra, who is resplendent with thousands of eyes and who is the annihilator of the asura named Vrittra.

शिवदूती स्वरूपेण हतदैत्य महाबले। घोररूपे महारावे नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१८॥ shivadūtī svarūpeņa hatadaitya mahābale ghorarūpe mahārāve nārāyaņi namo stute Prostrations to you O Narayani, who, assuming a terrible form and producing deafening roars, manifested as Shivadooti of great strength and destroyed the hordes of demons.

दंष्ट्राकरालवदने शिरोमालाविभूषणे। चामुण्डे मुण्डमथने नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥१९॥ daṇshṭrākarālavadane shiromālāvibhūshaņe chāmuṇḍe muṇḍamathane nārāyani namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, whose face is fearful to look at on account of curving canine teeth, who is adorned by a garland of human skulls, who is the destroyer of Chanda and Munda.

लक्ष्मी लज्जे महाविद्ये श्रद्धे पुष्टिस्वधे ध्रुवे। महारात्रि महाऽविद्ये नारायणि नमोऽस्तु ते॥२०॥ lakshmī lajje mahāvidye shraddhe pushṭisvadhe dhruve

mahārātri mahā vidye nārāyaṇi namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayaṇi, who manifests as divine wealth

Prostrations to you O Narayani, who manifests as divine wealth [Lakshmi], modesty, supreme knowledge, right faith, the power of nourishment, nectar, the great night of dissolution, and the supreme enchantment.

मेधे सरस्वित वरे भूति बाभ्रवि तामसि। नियते त्वं प्रसीदेशे नारायणि नमोऽस्तुते॥२१॥ medhe sarasvati vare bhūti bābhravi tāmasi niyate tvam prasīdeshe nārāyani namo stute

Prostrations to you O Narayani, in the form of intelligence, who is the goddess of wisdom, the auspicious one, the bestower of all wealth and who abides as ignorance in tamasic people. May you deign to be propitious to us at all times.

सर्वस्वरूपे सर्वेशे सर्वशक्ति समन्विते। भयेभ्यस्त्राहि नो देवि दुर्गे देवि नमोऽस्तुते॥२२॥ sarvasvarūpe sarveshe sarvashakti samanvite bhayebhyastrāhi no devi durge devi namo stute O Devi, the effulgent One, all forms of all things and beings are you only and you are the controller of every thing and every being. In you are held all the powers of all beings. May you save us from fear. Prostrations to you O Durga!

एतत् ते वदनं सौम्यं लोचनत्रय भूषितम्। पातु नः सर्वभीतिभ्यः कात्यायिन नमोऽस्तुते॥२३॥ etat te vadanam saumyam lochanatraya bhūshitam pātu naḥ sarvabhītibhyaḥ kātyāyani namo stute May your serene face, adorned with three eyes, protect us from all fears. Prostrations to you O Katyayani!

ज्वाला-कराल-मत्युग्रम्-अशेषासुर-सूदनम्। त्रिशूलं पातु नो भीतेर्भद्रकालि नमोऽस्तुते॥२४॥ jvālā-karāla-matyugram-asheshāsura-sūdanam trishūlam pātu no bhīterbhadrakāli namo stute May your trident, blazing like a fiery flame and causing the destruction of all devilish forces, protect us from all fears. O Bhadrakali, prostrations to you!

हिनस्ति दैत्यतेजांसि स्वनेना पूर्यया जगत्। सा घण्टा पातु नो देवि पापेभ्योऽनः सुतानिव॥२५॥ hinasti daityatejānsi svanenā pūryayā jagat sā ghaṇṭā pātu no devi pāpebhyo naḥ sutāniva May your bell, whose sound fills the entire universe and destroys the glamour of the demonic forces, protect us from all sinful actions as if we were its own children.

अमुरा-मृग-वसा-पङ्क चर्चितस्ते करोज्वलः। शुभाय खड्गो भवतु चण्डिके त्वां नता वयम्॥२६॥ asurā-sṛga-vasā-paṅka charchitaste karojvalaḥ shubhāya khaḍgo bhavatu chaṇḍike tvāṁ natā vayam May your sword, which shines in your hand, stained with the blood, flesh, and fat of the demons be productive of all auspiciousness to us. We prostrate to you, O Chandika! रोगानशेषानपहंसि तुष्टा रुष्टा तु कामान् सकलानभीष्टान्। त्वामाश्रितानां न विपन्नराणां त्वामाश्रिता ह्याश्रयतां प्रयान्ति ॥२७॥

rogānasheshānapahansi tushṭā rushṭā tu kāmān sakalānabhīshṭān tvāmāshritānāṁ na vipannarāṇāṁ tvāmāshritā hyāshrayatāṁ prayānti

When you are pleased, you remove all diseases of the body, mind, and intellect of devotees and bestow on them all their cherished desires. Those who take refuge in you know no disaster. On the other hand, they in turn become a refuge for others.



देव्यपराधक्षमापन स्तोत्रम् · Devyaparādhakshamāpan Stotram

न मन्त्रं नो यन्त्रं तदिप च न जाने स्तुति महो न चाह्वानं ध्यानं तदिप च न जाने स्तुति कथाः। न जाने मुद्रास्ते तदिप च न जाने विलपनं परं जाने मातस्त्वदनुसरणं क्लेश हरणम्॥१॥ na mantram no yantram tadapi cha na jāne stuti maho na chāhvānam dhyānam tadapi cha na jāne stuti kathāḥ na jāne mudrāste tadapi cha na jāne vilapanam param jāne mātastvadanusaraṇam klesha haraṇam O Mother! Neither do I know any incantation nor any system of worship, nor do I know how to pray. Neither am I aware of the means of invocation, nor do I know the art of meditation. Neither am I versed in your various forms, nor do I know how to weep in distress. But one thing I know for certain is that merely following

विधेरज्ञानेन द्रविणविरहेणालसतया
विधेयाशक्यत्वात्तव चरण योर्या च्युतिरभूत्।
तदेतत् क्षन्तव्यं जनिन सकलोद्धारिणि शिवे
कुपुत्रो जायेत क्वचिद्धि कुमाता न भवति॥२॥
vidherajñānena draviņaviraheņālasatayā
vidheyāshakyatvāttava charaņa yoryā chyutirabhūt
tadetat kshantavyam janani sakaloddhāriņi shive
kuputro jāyeta kvachidapi kumātā na bhavati

you destroys all sorts of afflictions and distress.

O Redeemer of All, Blessed Mother! I do not know ritual worship, neither do I have enough money for that. Since I am lazy by nature, I cannot perform worship in the right way. All these shortcomings might have allowed mistakes to creep into my service to you. Please forgive me for them as it is possible to have a bad child, but it is not in the mother's nature to be bad (like a kindhearted mother forgives the mistakes of her careless child, please do so in my case).

पृथिव्यां पुत्रास्ते जनि वहवः सन्ति सरलाः
परं तेषां मध्ये विरलतरलोऽहं तव सुतः।
मदीयो यं त्यागः समुचितमिदं नो तव शिवे
कुपुत्रो जायेत क्वचिदिप कुमाता न भवति॥३॥
pṛthivyam putrāste janani vahavaḥ santi saralāḥ
param teshām madhye viralataralo ham tava sutaḥ
madīyo yam tyāgaḥ samuchitamidam no tava shive
kuputro jāyeta kvachidapi kumātā na bhavati

O Mother! You have countless simple-hearted and worthy children save myself, who is very naughty and fickle minded. Indeed you will rarely have any child as bad as I am. O Shive! Your forsaking me is not meet for you as a Mother—for there can be a bad child, but it is impossible to have a bad mother.

जगन्मातर्मातस्तव चरण सेवा न रचिता
न वा दत्तं देवि द्रविणमपि भूयस्तव मया।
तथापि त्वं स्नेहं मिय निरूपमं यत्प्रकुरूषे
कुपुत्रो जायेत क्वचिद्पि कुमाता न भवति॥४॥
jaganmātarmātastava charaņa sevā na rachitā
na vā dattam devi draviņamapi bhūyastava mayā
tathāpi tvam sneham mayi nirūpamam yatprakurūshe
kuputro jāyeta kvachidapi kumātā na bhavati

O Mother of the World! Never did I offer service at your feet. Goddess! Neither did I offer any large sum of money to you. Still your affectionate grace upon me is caused by the fact that there can be a bad child, but never a bad mother.

परित्यक्ता देवा विविधविधिसेवाकुलतया मया पञ्चाशीतेरधिकमपनीते तु वयसि। इदानीं चेन्मातस्तव यदि कृपा नापि भविता निरालम्बो लम्बोदर जनिन कं यामि शरणम्॥५॥ parityaktā devā vividhavidhisevākulatayā mayā pañchāshīteradhikamapanīte tu vayasi

idānī chenmātastava yadi kṛpā nāpi bhavitā nirālambo lambodara janani kam yāmi sharaṇam

O Mother Parvati who begot Lord Ganesh! I remained busy in different kinds of work for all these eighty-five years and have not been able to render true service to the gods. Hence I cannot expect any help from them. In such a situation if you don't shed your grace upon me, who else can grant me shelter?

श्वपाको जल्पाको भवति मधुपाकोपमगिरा निरातङ्को रङ्को विहरति चिरं कोटिकनकैः। तवा पर्णे कर्णे विशति मनुवर्णे फलमिदं जनः को जानीते जननि जपनीयं जपविधौ॥६॥ shvapāko jalpāko bhavati madhupākopamagirā nirātanko ranko viharati chiram koṭikanakaiḥ tavā parņe karņe vishati manuvarņe phalamidam janaḥ ko jānīte janani japanīyam japavidhau

O Mother Aparna! Even if the sound of one of the vowels of your incantation falls into the ear of a pariah, it makes him converse in sweet language, and if it falls into the ear of a pauper, he gets enough wealth to make him roll in luxuries for years! If this is the reward of hearing just one part of the incantation, who can assess the fruits of chanting the full mantra?

जटाधारी कण्ठे भुजगपतिहारी पशुपतिः। कपाली भूतेशो भजित जगदीशैकपद्वीं भवानी त्वत्पाणिग्रहण परिपाटीफलमिदम्॥७॥ chitābhasmālepo garalamashanam dikpaṭadharo jaṭādhārī kaṇṭhe bhujagapatihārī pashupatiḥ kapālī bhūtesho bhajati jagadīshaikapadavīm bhavānī tvatpāṇigrahaṇa paripāṭīphalamidam O Bhavani! He who powders his body with the ash of burnt bodies, whose food is poison, who is unclad, and who has tendril

चिताभस्मालेपो गरलमञ्जनं दिक्पटधरो

who has a skull bowl in his hand for begging, this Lord of mortal beings and animals has 'Lord of the World' as one of his epithets. How could he get such an exalted status? Is it not the result of his marrying you?

न मोक्षस्याकाङ्का भवविभववाञ्छापि च न मे न विज्ञानापेक्षा शिशमुलि सुखेच्छापि न पुनः। अतस्त्वां संयाचे जननि जननं यातु मम वै मृडानी रुद्राणी शिव शिव भवानीति जपतः॥८॥ na mokshasyākāñkshā bhavavibhavavāñchhāpi cha na me na vijñānāpekshā shashimukhi sukhechhāpi na punaḥ atastvām samyāche janani jananam yātu mama vai mṛḍānī rudrāṇī shiva shiva bhavānīti japataḥ

O Moon-faced Mother! I do not desire liberation or worldly riches, nor do I yearn to acquire scientific knowledge or to get pleasure. My only request to you is to make me pass my life chanting the names of you and your spouse Lord Shiva.

नाराधितासि विधिना विविधोपचारैः
किं रुक्षचिन्तन परैर्न कृतं वचोभिः।
श्यामे त्वमेव यदि किञ्चन मय्यनाथे
धत्से कृपामुचितमम्ब परं तवैव॥९॥
nārādhitāsi vidhinā vividhopachāraiḥ
kim rukshachintana parairna kṛtam vachobhiḥ
shyāme tvameva yadi kinchana mayyanāthe
dhatse kṛpāmuchitamamba param tavaiva

O Mother Shyama! I could never perform your worship with elaborate ritual. My harsh language has made me commit all sorts of sins. Still you take pains to come and shed your grace upon me Mother! This gesture of yours is quite meet for you as my Mother! Only so kindhearted a mother can provide shelter to such an undeserving child as myself.

hair on his head and the serpent king Vasuki encircling his neck,

आपत्सु मग्नः स्मरणं त्वदीयं करोमि दुर्गे करुणार्णवेशि।
नैतच्छठत्वं मम भावयेथाः क्षुधातृषार्ता जननीं स्मरिन्त॥१०॥
जगदम्ब विचित्रमन्त्र किं परिपूर्णा करुणास्ति चेन्मिय।
अपराध परम्परा परं निह माता समुपेक्षते सुतम्॥११॥
āpatsu magnaḥ smaraṇam tvadīyam karomi durge karuṇārṇaveshi naitachhaṭhatvam mama bhāvayethāḥ kshudhātṛshārtā jananīm smaranti jagadamba vichitramantra kim paripūrṇā karuṇāsti chenmayi aparādha paramparā param nahi mātā samupekshate sutam

O Mother Durga! O Grand Goddess, Ocean of Kindness! I am remembering you because difficulties are all around me. I did not pray before this. Please don't consider this prayer of mine as my wickedness because the child who is suffering from hunger and thirst remembers only the Mother. O Goddess Mother, it is no surprise if you continue to shed your grace upon me, for notwithstanding the continuous crimes of her children, the mother never neglects them.

मत्समः पातकी नास्ति पापघ्नी त्वत्समा न हि।
एवं ज्ञात्वा महादेवि यथायोग्यं तथा कुरु॥१२॥
matsamaḥ pātakī nāsti pāpaghnī tvatsamā na hi
evaṁ jñātvā mahādevi yathāyogyaṁ tathā kuru
O Grand Goddess! There is no greater sinner than I am and no
greater redeemer of sins than you. Realizing this, do whatever you
deem right.