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कल्याणवृष्टिभिरिवामृतपूरिताभिः

लक्ष्मीस्वयंवरणमङ्गलदीपिकाभिः ।

सेवाभिरम्ब तव पादसरोजमूले

नाकारि किं मनसि भाग्यवतां जनानाम् ॥१॥

Oh Mother! Fortunate are those bhaktas who worship at your lotus feet. That worship in essence is the auspicious rain that pours nectar in abundance; like the bright lamp at Lakshmi's Swayamvara (marriage). What is it that have you not granted to the minds of such bhaktas? (You've filled their minds with abundance of happiness, delight, and satisfaction).

एतावदेव जनि स्पृहणीयमास्ते त्वद्वन्दनेषु सलिलस्थगिते च नेत्रे । सान्निध्यमुद्यदरुणायुतसोदरस्य त्वद्विग्रहस्य परया सुधयाप्लुतस्य ॥२॥

Oh Mother! There are only two things that I desire. One, as I offer my salutations to you that my eyes are completely filled with tears. Two, the proximity to Your idol shining as if bathed in nectar and equivalent to the radiance of a thousand suns.

ईशत्वनामकलुषाः कति वा न सन्ति

ब्रह्मादयः प्रतिभवं प्रलयाभिभूताः ।

एकः स एव जननि स्थिरसिद्धिरास्ते

यः पादयोस्तव सकृत्प्रणतिं करोति ॥३॥

Oh Mother! There is the presence of many a God! But in every creation, they all go through pralaya (destruction/dissolution). They are but a stigma (a black mark) to the name of Ishwara. The one who prostrates to you to offer salutations even once, such a person achieves animaadi ashta siddhis on a permanent basis and achieves eternal status to be called Ishwara.

लब्ध्वा सकृत्तिपुरसुन्दिर तावकीनं कारुण्यकन्दिलतकान्तिभरं कटाक्षम् । कन्दर्पकोटिसुभगास्त्विय भक्तिभाजः संमोहयन्ति तरुणीर्भुवनत्रयेऽिप ॥४॥

Oh Mother! May Your radiance from a mere merciful glance fall even once on your bhaktas. They achieve the beauty of crores of Manmathas (Cupid, the god of love). They will then with their beauty be able to attract the young girls of all three lokas.

हीङ्कारमेव तव नाम गृणन्ति वेदा मातस्त्रिकोणनिलये त्रिपुरे त्रिनेत्रे । त्वत्संस्मृतौ यमभटाभिभवं विहाय दीव्यन्ति नन्दनवने सह लोकपालैः ॥५॥

Oh Mother! As a resident of SriChakra, the three cities of Tripura, with three eyes, the Vedas extol that your name is the very sound 'Hreem.' At the end of their lives all your devotees who remember to chant Your name at the time of passing away will not have the fear of the Lord of Death and his soldiers. Such bhaktas will realize Swarga (heaven) and enjoy in that holy garden with those who take care of the world.

हन्तुः पुरामधिगलं परिपीयमानः क्रूरः कथं न भविता गरलस्य वेगः । नाश्वासनाय यदि मातरिदं तवार्धं देहस्य शश्वदमृताप्लुतशीतलस्य ॥६॥

Oh Mother! Lord Shiva the destroyer of city even though he consumed poison did not undergo any kind of suffering. The very reason for that was You being half his body. Your body is cool from the ever-soaking nectar. Without Your body for support how would Shiva be able to withstand the poison from consuming him?

सर्वज्ञतां सदिस वाक्पटुतां प्रसूते देवि त्वदंघ्रिसरसीरुहयोः प्रणामः । किं च स्फुरन्मकुटमुज्ज्वलमातपत्रं द्वे चामरे च महतीं वसुधां ददाति ॥७॥

Oh Mother! Our humble salutations at your Lotus feet bestows upon us to make us all-knowing with mastery to deliver scholarly words. Not only that, but it also bestows crown and protection (through shining umbrella and fans) and a large kingdom to rule to make him an emperor. कल्पद्धमैरभिमतप्रतिपादनेषु कारुण्यवारिधिभिरम्ब भवत्कटाक्षैः । आलोकय त्रिपुरसुन्दरि मामनाथं त्वय्येव भक्तिभरितं त्विय बद्धतृष्णम् ॥८॥

Oh Mother! The embodiment of the beauty of the three worlds. Your merciful glance is a Kalpavruksha fulfilling whatever one wishes through prayers. You are an ocean of mercy. May Your divine eyes glance once to see me. I am but an orphan. I am filled with devotion in only You. With a hope that You will uplift me.

हन्तेतरेष्विप मनांसि निधाय चान्ये भक्तिं वहन्ति किल पामरदैवतेषु । त्वामेव देवि मनसा समनुस्मरामि त्वामेव नौमि शरणं जननि त्वमेव ॥९॥

Oh Mother! A few offer their devotional minds towards other small gods. I am, though, always filled with Your meditative thoughts in my memory by offering continuous salutations. I totally surrender in You.

लक्ष्येषु सत्स्विप कटाक्षिनिरीक्षणानाम् आलोकय त्रिपुरसुन्दिर मां कदाचित् । नूनं मया तु सदृशः करुणैकपात्रं जातो जनिष्यित जनो न च जायते वा ॥१०॥

Oh Mother! You are the Universal Mother and there are many who are the recipient of your merciful eyes. Can Your gaze fall even once on me in your line of sight?! There is no better deserving one like me in past-present-future to be a suitable recipient of your mercy.

हींहीमिति प्रतिदिनं जपतां तवाख्यां किं नाम दुर्लभिमह त्रिपुराधिवासे । मालाकिरीटमदवारणमाननीया तान्सेवते वसुमती स्वयमेव लक्ष्मीः ॥११॥

Oh Mother! Who lives in Tripura. 'Hreem-Hreem' is the auspicious chant that one recites on a daily basis for whom there is nothing that is unattainable in this world. Goddess Lakshmi as herself adorned with garland and crown riding the deluded rogue elephant comes as wealth and prosperity to her devotees only to serve them.

सम्पत्कराणि सकलेन्द्रियनन्दनानि साम्राज्यदाननिरतानि सरोरुहाक्षि । त्वद्वन्दनानि दुरिताहरणोद्यतानि मामेव मातरनिशं कलयन्तु नान्यम् ॥१२॥

Oh Mother! With Your eyes shaped like the lotus petals. Salutations offered to you provide wealth and prosperity, happiness to the sense organs, offers even kingdom to rule, ridding them of their sins, to those who are Your devotees. May that nature of offering salutations to You be mine always, while Your blessings be on me always.

कल्पोपसंहतिषु कल्पितताण्डवस्य देवस्य खण्डपरशोः परभैरवस्य । पाशाङ्कुशैक्षवशरासनपुष्पबाणा सा साक्षिणी विजयते तव मूर्तिरका ॥१३॥

Oh Mother! At the end of the kalpa (dissolution), Lord Shiva who assumes the furious Bhairava form performs the Tandava dance to be completely immersed in the ultimate destruction of this world. At that time when the world is undergoing pralaya (dissolution), You with your bow, arrow, rope, and spear witness the Mahapralaya.

लग्नं सदा भवतु मातिरदं तवार्धं तेजः परं बहुलकुङ्कुमपङ्कशोणम् । भास्विकरीटममृतांशुकलावतंसं मध्ये त्रिकोणनिलयं परमामृतार्द्रम् ॥१४॥

Oh Mother! You wear the glowing crown adorned with the crescent moon on Your head. You reside in the centre of SriChakra. You are soaked in nectar and smeared with saffron. May this resplendent form of Yours fill my mind always. हीङ्कारमेव तव नाम तदेव रूपं त्वन्नाम दुर्लभिमह त्रिपुरे गृणन्ति । त्वत्तेजसा परिणतं वियदादिभूतं सौख्यं तनोति सरसीरुहसम्भवादेः ॥१५॥

Oh Mother! 'Hreem' is your name and form. This highly unattainable name is Yours which people in this world chant. It is Your radiance that has transformed into Panchabhootas. It is these Panchabhootas that enhance the happiness of Brahma and other gods.

हीङ्कारत्रयसम्पुटेन महता मन्त्रेण सन्दीपितं स्तोत्रं यः प्रतिवासरं तव पुरो मातर्जपेन्मन्त्रवित् । तस्य क्षोणिभुजो भवन्ति वशगा लक्ष्मीश्चिरस्थायिनी वाणी निर्मलसूक्तिभारभरिता जागर्ति दीर्घं वयः ॥१६॥

Oh Mother! Your chanting encompasses the three 'Hreem.' If those impressed with this Mahamantra offer daily prayers in front of your idol they will derive the power to have even the kings and emperors under their spell. Wealth will stay with him in his abode permanently. His speech will be clean and of supreme nature. He will be granted long life to live.

॥ शिवपञ्चाक्षरनक्षत्रमालास्तोत्रम् ॥

श्रीमदात्मने गुणैकसिन्धवे नमः शिवाय

धामलेशधूतकोकबन्धवे नमः शिवाय ।

नामशेषितानमद्भवान्धवे नमः शिवाय

पामरेतरप्रधानबन्धवे नमः शिवाय ॥१॥

Obeisance to Shiva! The Parashiva, the glorious one, the virtuous one, even an iota of Your radiance surpasses the brilliance of the brightly-shining Sun. You rid your

bhaktas of all worldly bondages and You are a great kinsman to the wise knowledgeable men.

कालभीतविप्रबालपाल ते नमः शिवाय

शूलभिन्नदुष्टदक्षफाल ते नमः शिवाय ।

मूलकारणाय कालकाल ते नमः शिवाय

पालयाधुना दयालवाल ते नमः शिवाय ॥२॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the destroyer of Yama, the lord of death. You protected the young Markandeya from the clutches of Yama. You broke the wicked Daksha's forehead with your trident. You are the primal cause of this world. Do protect me now.

इष्टवस्तुमुख्यदानहेतवे नमः शिवाय

दुष्टदैत्यवंशधूमकेतवे नमः शिवाय ।

सृष्टिरक्षणाय धर्मसेतवे नमः शिवाय

अष्टमूर्तये वृषेन्द्रकेतवे नमः शिवाय ॥३॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the one who fulfil all our desires. You are the destroyer of the evil clan of demons. You are the one to protect this creation. You are the one to sustain the righteous dharma path. You are the eight-fold God and to you I bow reverentially.

आपदद्रिभेदटङ्कहस्त ते नमः शिवाय

पापहारिदिव्यसिन्धुमस्त ते नमः शिवाय ।

पापदारिणे लसन्नमस्तते नमः शिवाय

शापदोषखण्डनप्रशस्त ते नमः शिवाय ॥४॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the one who distance your bhaktas from all calamities. It is in Your abode that river Ganga flows to rid us of all sins. All Your bhaktas pray incessantly and offer obeisance to You. You are the destroyer of all our sins and to You I bow reverentially.

व्योमकेश दिव्यभव्यरूप ते नमः शिवाय

हेममेदिनीधरेन्द्रचाप ते नमः शिवाय ।

नाममात्रदग्धसर्वपाप ते नमः शिवाय

कामनैकतानहृदुराप ते नमः शिवाय ॥५॥

Obeisance to Shiva! Your tresses expand across the entire universe. You made the mountain Meru your bow. The mere utterance of Your name burns away all the sins committed. Whereas for those who minds are filled with desires (pleasures) then You are beyond access for them. To You I bow reverentially.

ब्रह्ममस्तकावलीनिबद्ध ते नमः शिवाय

जिह्मगेन्द्रकुण्डलप्रसिद्ध ते नमः शिवाय ।

ब्रह्मणे प्रणीतवेदपद्धते नमः शिवाय

जिंहकालदेहदत्तपद्धते नमः शिवाय ॥६॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You have been so beautifully described in our Vedas. You wear those beautiful earrings shaped like serpent. You established the righteous path. You stepped upon the god of death — Mrutyu. You are in essence the absolute and supreme being. To You I bow reverentially.

कामनाशनाय शुद्धकर्मणे नमः शिवाय

सामगानजायमानशर्मणे नमः शिवाय ।

हेमकान्तिचाकचक्यवर्मणे नमः शिवाय

सामजासुराङ्गलब्धचर्मणे नमः शिवाय ॥७॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the annihilator of lust. You are an embodiment of pure deeds. You are delighted listening to the lilting music of Samaveda. You are the pure gold that glitters due to Your spotless nature. You are the one who wears the hide of the elephant that you vanquished. To You I bow reverentially.

जन्ममृत्युघोरदुःखहारिणे नमः शिवाय

चिन्मयैकरूपदेहधारिणे नमः शिवाय ।

मन्मनोरथावपूर्तिकारिणे नमः शिवाय

सन्मनोगताय कामवैरिणे नमः शिवाय ॥८॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the one who resolves the calamity and despair caused due to samsara in the cycle of birth-and-death. You are the nature of pure consciousness. You fulfil all our desires. Wise people always meditate upon You. The Cupid which is all our desires You have burnt them down without a trace. To You I bow reverentially.

यक्षराजबन्धवे दयालवे नमः शिवाय

दक्षपाणिशोभिकाञ्चनालवे नमः शिवाय ।

पक्षिराजवाहहृच्छयालवे नमः शिवाय

अक्षिफाल वेदपूततालवे नमः शिवाय ॥९॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You have an eye in your forehead area. You befriend Kubera the god of wealth. You hold the kamandala a special-shaped waterpot in your right hand. You are constantly reciting the Vedic hymns emanating from your throat. You are offered prayers even by Lord Vishnu. To You I bow reverentially.

दक्षहस्तनिष्ठजातवेदसे नमः शिवाय

अक्षरात्मने नमद्विडौजसे नमः शिवाय ।

दीक्षितप्रकाशितात्मतेजसे नमः शिवाय

उक्षराजवाह ते सतां गते नमः शिवाय ॥१०॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the Pranava holding the holy fire in your right hand. Even Lord Indira offers his salutations to You. Those initiated in performing yagnas realize You in their heart. You ride the sacred Nandi bull into which all noble men merge. To You I bow reverentially.

राजताचलेन्द्रसानुवासिने नमः शिवाय

राजमाननित्यमन्दहासिने नमः शिवाय ।

राजकोरकावतंसभासिने नमः शिवाय

राजराजमित्रताप्रकाशिने नमः शिवाय ॥११॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You reside in your humble abode Kailasa. Your face is further embellished with a gentle smile. A shining crescent moon adorns Your head region having befriended Kubera the god of wealth. To You I bow reverentially.

दीनमानवालिकामधेनवे नमः शिवाय

सूनबाणदाहकृत्कृशानवे नमः शिवाय ।

स्वानुरागभक्तरत्नसानवे नमः शिवाय

दानवान्धकारचण्डभानवे नमः शिवाय ॥१२॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You obliterate the poor people's woes as Kamadhenu. You burnt Kama the god of lust with the fire coming out from your eyes. To Your bhaktas You are a mountain of gold. You wreak havoc to the demons to destroy them. To You I bow reverentially.

सर्वमङ्गलाकुचाग्रशायिने नमः शिवाय

सर्वदेवतागणातिशायिने नमः शिवाय ।

पूर्वदेवनाशसंविधायिने नमः शिवाय

सर्वमन्मनोजभङ्गदायिने नमः शिवाय ॥१३॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You place your head upon the bosom of Parvathi for rest. You are elevated beyond the groups of all good qualities. You are the destroyer of demons. You annihilate all such desires in my mind and to You I bow reverentially.

स्तोकभक्तितोऽपि भक्तपोषिणे नमः शिवाय

माकरन्दसारवर्षिभाषिणे नमः शिवाय ।

एकबिल्वदानतोऽपि तोषिणे नमः शिवाय

नैकजन्मपापजालशोषिणे नमः शिवाय ॥१४॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are happy with even a little devotion. You are the protector of Your bhaktas. Even one bilva leaf offered to You makes you happy. Your spoken words are like the sweetness in honey. All our cumulative sins from all past births You destroy. To You I bow reverentially.

सर्वजीवरक्षणैकशीलिने नमः शिवाय

पार्वतीप्रियाय भक्तपालिने नमः शिवाय ।

दुर्विदग्धदैत्यसैन्यदारिणे नमः शिवाय

शर्वरीशधारिणे कपालिने नमः शिवाय ॥१५॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the protector of all the worlds. As the one dear to Parvathi You protect your bhaktas. You are the destroyer of demons. You don the moon in your head and many skulls on your neck. To You I bow reverentially.

पाहि मामुमामनोज्ञदेह ते नमः शिवाय

देहि मे वरं सिताद्रिगेह ते नमः शिवाय ।

मोहितर्षिकामिनीसमूह ते नमः शिवाय

स्वेहितप्रसन्न कामदोह ते नमः शिवाय ॥१६॥

Obeisance to Shiva! Your divine love for your consort Uma (Girija) is in You. Your abode is Kailasa. You attracted many groups of wives of sages towards You. You revel in the love for Your Self. You are the one who will grant all our desires. To You I bow reverentially.

मङ्गलप्रदाय गोतुरङ्ग ते नमः शिवाय

गङ्गया तरङ्गितोत्तमाङ्ग ते नमः शिवाय ।

सङ्गरप्रवृत्तवैरिभङ्ग ते नमः शिवाय

अङ्गजारये करेकुरङ्ग ते नमः शिवाय ॥१७॥

Obeisance to Shiva! Your mount is the bull. You grant auspicious things. On Your head the river Ganga flowing in waves stands enhanced in her beauty. You destroy all enemies when you wage Your battles. You carry an antelope in your hand. You are an enemy to Kama the god of lust and to You I bow reverentially.

ईहितक्षणप्रदानहेतवे नमः शिवाय

आहिताग्निपालकोक्षकेतवे नमः शिवाय ।

देहकान्तिधूतरौप्यधातवे नमः शिवाय

गेहदुःखपुञ्जधूमकेतवे नमः शिवाय ॥१८॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You protect those who make offerings to the sacred fire Agnihotra. You fulfil all wishes that very moment. Your lustrous body puts the shine of silver into dullness. You are the one who resolves the calamity and despair caused due to samsara. To the Nandi that carries You I bow reverentially.

त्र्यक्ष दीनसंकृपाकटाक्ष ते नमः शिवाय

दक्षसप्ततन्तुनाशदक्ष ते नमः शिवाय ।

ऋक्षराजभानुपावकाक्ष ते नमः शिवाय

रक्ष मां प्रपन्नमात्ररक्ष ते नमः शिवाय ॥१९॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You protect the wise men who seek You. You destroyed the Yajna offerings of Daksha. The moon, The Sun, and The Fire are Your three eyes. To the three-eyed one I bow reverentially.

न्यङ्कुपाणये शिवङ्कराय ते नमः शिवाय

सङ्कटाब्धितीर्णिकंकराय ते नमः शिवाय ।

कङ्कभीषिताभयङ्कराय ते नमः शिवाय

पङ्कजाननाय शङ्कराय ते नमः शिवाय ॥२०॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You carry an antelope in your hand. You are auspicious. You rid Your bhaktas of all sorrows. You remove the fear of death. You bestow happiness and to You I bow reverentially.

कर्मपाशनाश नीलकण्ठ ते नमः शिवाय

शर्मदाय वर्यभस्मकण्ठ ते नमः शिवाय ।

निर्ममर्षिसेवितोपकण्ठ ते नमः शिवाय

कुर्महे नतीर्नमद्विकुण्ठ ते नमः शिवाय ॥२१॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You destroy the bondages of karma. You have ash smeared in your neck. The great sages imbibe You. You emancipate those who take refuge in You. To You I bow reverentially.

विष्टपाधिपाय नम्रविष्णवे नमः शिवाय

शिष्टविप्रहृदुहाचरिष्णवे नमः शिवाय ।

इष्टवस्तुनित्यतुष्टजिष्णवे नमः शिवाय

कष्टनाशनाय लोकजिष्णवे नमः शिवाय ॥२२॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the Lord of all the worlds. Even Lord Vishnu offers his prostrations to You. The ones who are involved in the study of Vedas meditate upon You. Whatever Lord Indira aspired for You have offered it to him to keep him happy. You are the destroyer of all obstacles and to You I bow reverentially.

अप्रमेयदिव्यसुप्रभाव ते नमः शिवाय

सत्प्रपन्नरक्षणस्वभाव ते नमः शिवाय ।

स्वप्रकाश निस्तुलानुभाव ते नमः शिवाय

विप्रडिम्भदर्शितार्द्रभाव ते नमः शिवाय ॥२३॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You glory is limitless. You protect those who surrender to You. You are self-luminous. You protected Markandeya. To You I bow reverentially.

सेवकाय मे मृड प्रसीद ते नमः शिवाय

भावलभ्य तावकप्रसाद ते नमः शिवाय ।

पावकाक्ष देवपूज्यपाद ते नमः शिवाय

तावकाङ्घिभक्तदत्तमोद ते नमः शिवाय ॥२४॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You bestow upon me Your abundant grace. Even the devatas serve You at your feet. To Your bhaktas you shower eternal bliss. To You I bow reverentially.

भुक्तिमुक्तिदिव्यभोगदायिने नमः शिवाय

शक्तिकल्पितप्रपञ्चभागिने नमः शिवाय ।

भक्तसङ्कटापहारयोगिने नमः शिवाय

युक्तसन्मनःसरोजयोगिने नमः शिवाय ॥२५॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You grant bhakti, liberation, and pleasure. With Your divine power You create this universe and pervade the same. To Your bhaktas in distress you offer relief. You reside in the hearts of wise people. To You I bow reverentially.

अन्तकान्तकाय पापहारिणे नमः शिवाय

शन्तमाय दन्तिचर्मधारिणे नमः शिवाय ।

सन्तताश्रितव्यथाविदारिणे नमः शिवाय

जन्तुजातनित्यसौख्यकारिणे नमः शिवाय ॥२६॥

Obeisance to Shiva! You are the destroyer of the destroyer, the god of death. You destroy the distress and sins of Your bhaktas. You offer solace to everyone. You wear the hide of an elephant and to You I bow reverentially.

शूलिने नमो नमः कपालिने नमः शिवाय

पालिने विरिञ्चिमुण्डमालिने नमः शिवाय ।

लीलिने विशेषरुण्डमालिने नमः शिवाय

शीलिने नमः प्रपुण्यशालिने नमः शिवाय ॥२७॥

You bear the trident. You wear Brahma's skulls. You wear many skulls bereft of their bodies. You are in a deep meditative state. To You I bow reverentially.

शिवपञ्चाक्षरमुद्राचतुष्पदोल्लासपद्यमणिघटिताम् । नक्षत्रमालिकामिह दधदुपकण्ठं नरो भवेत्सोमः ॥२८॥

Obeisance to Shiva! This stotramala contains 27 star-studded gem necklace strung together. Each of the shlokas with four rhyming poetry padas contain Shiva Panchakshara as 'Namah Shivaya.' The one who wears this star-studded gem necklace around his throat (to byheart and recite everyday) is like Soma, the one surrounded by stars and attains Lord Shiva, one whose consort is Uma, as Shiva himself.

॥ लक्ष्मीनृसिंहकरुणारसस्तोत्रम् ॥

श्रीमत्पयोनिधिनिकेतनचक्रपाणे भोगीन्द्रभोगमणिराजितपुण्यमूर्ते । योगीश शाश्वत शरण्य भवाब्धिपोत लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१॥

The Lord who resides in the Ocean of Milk that is a repository of various jewels! The bearer of the Discus! Resplendent with the jewels of the Serpent King Adisesha! The Master of Yogin-s! The Eternal Brahman! The Refuge of those who resort to You! You are the boat that ferries

one across the ocean of samsara! O Lakshmi Narasimha! Lend me Your hand of support!

ब्रह्मेन्द्ररुद्रमरुदर्किकरीटकोटि-सङ्घटिताङ्क्षिकमलामलकान्तिकान्त । लक्ष्मीलसत्कुचसरोरुहराजहंस लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥२॥

All gods such as Brahma, Indra, Rudra, Vayu, and Surya place their heads on Your feet while prostrating to you. Your feet are resplendent, owing to the contact of their bejeweled crowns that themselves strike each other when they bow to You. This enhances Your beauty multiple

times. Lord Narasimha is like the Rajahamsa, the King of Swans that moves hither and thither on the lotuses that are the overflowing bosom of Mother Lakshmi. O Lord! Lend me Your supporting hand and redeem me from bondage.

(In this verse the divine intimate matrimonial unity of Srihari and Lakshmi is portrayed in order to bless the aspirant.)

संसारदावदहनाकुलभीकरोरु-ज्वालावलीभिरतिदग्धतनूरुहस्य । त्वत्पादपद्मसरसीं शरणागतस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥३॥ O Lakshmi Narasimha! The hairs of my body have been extremely singed by the fierce fire of the scorching forest-fire that is samsara. I have taken refuge at Your lotus feet to get relief. Lend me Your supporting hand. Provide me the much needed succour.

संसारजालपतितस्य जगन्निवास सर्वेन्द्रियार्थबडिशाग्रझषोपमस्य । प्रोत्कम्पितप्रचुरतालुकमस्तकस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥४॥ O abode of the entire creation! My sense and motor organs are caught up in the mire of objects and are tattered. Lend me Your supporting hand to relieve me of this plight.

संसारकूपमितघोरमगाधमूलं सम्प्राप्य दुःखशतसर्पसमाकुलस्य । दीनस्य देव कृपया पदमागतस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥५॥

O the Effulgence that is Narasimha accompanied by Lakshmi! I have fallen into the fierce deep well of samsara. I am overcome by delusion and immense suffering due to the numerous miseries surrounding me like snakes.

Victimized by these afflictions I have taken refuge at Your holy feet. Take pity on me and lend me Your helping hand.

संसारभीकरकरीन्द्रकराभिघात-निष्पीड्यमानवपुषः सकलार्तिनाश | प्राणप्रयाणभवभीतिसमाकुलस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥६॥

I am caught and crushed by the fierce Samsara-elephant that is intoxicated. Overcome by fear of death, I seek Your refuge. You destroy all miseries. O Lord, extend your hand of help to me.

संसारसर्पविषदिग्धमहोग्रतीव्र-दंष्ट्राग्रकोटिपरिदष्टविनष्टमूर्तेः । नागारिवाहन सुधाब्धिनिवास शौरे लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥७॥

The Lord with Garuda as his vehicle! The One whose abode is the Ocean of Ambrosia! Lord Krishna! I am tormented by the bites of the poisonous Samsara-serpent. Give me relief from my misery by lending your helping hand.

संसारवृक्षमघबीजमनन्तकर्म-शाखायुतं करणपत्रमनङ्गपुष्पम् । आरुह्य दुःखफलिनं पततो दयालो लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥८॥

I have mounted the Samsara-tree that is a product of pastsinful actions. The tree is full of branches and is the result of actions. The Jnanendriyas and Karmendriyas are the foliage of the tree. Desire constitutes the flowers of this tree. The tree bears only fruits of misery. The whole scenario puts me in great fear. I know not any refuge other than you, O Lord. Bestow your compassionate support on me, lend me Your helping hand and save me.

संसारसागरिवशालकरालकाल-नक्रग्रहग्रसितिनग्रहिवग्रहस्य । व्यग्रस्य रागनिचयोर्मिनिपीडितस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥९॥

O Lord Lakshmi Narasimha! The Vast Ocean of Samsara has in it the ferocious crocodile that is time, Kaala. It gobbles up everything that is within its range. I am extremely frightened by it as I am its prey. Not just that, even the waves keep attacking me in the form of Raga, desire, and Dvesha, hatred. You alone are my refuge from these dangers that I face constantly.

संसारसागरिनमज्जनमुह्यमानं दीनं विलोकय विभो करुणानिधे माम् । प्रह्लादखेदपरिहारकृतावतार लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१०॥

O Lord, the Ocean of Compassion! Bestow your glance on me, as I am miserable and deluded being immersed in the ocean of samsara. Did you not descend as Narasimha, emerging from the pillar, to save Prahlada? Quickly grant me your supporting hand. संसारघोरगहने चरतो मुरारे मारोग्रभीकरमृगप्रचुरार्दितस्य । आर्तस्य मत्सरनिदाघसुदुःखितस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥११॥

O Murari, Slayer of the demon Mura! I am roaming in the deep and fierce forest of Samsara. The ferocious beast of lust, Manmatha, is attacking me in numerous ways. I am tormented by the scorching sun of jealousy. Your support is the only succour to me in distress.

बद्धा गले यमभटा बहु तर्जयन्तः कर्षन्ति यत्र भवपाशशतैर्युतं माम् । एकाकिनं परवशं चिकतं दयालो लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१२॥

O benevolent Lakshmi Narasimha! Having bound me by hundreds of ropes that constitute Samsara, the messengers of Yama, the god of death, frighten me in numerous ways and are pulling me away. In their grip, what can I do, alone? It is your helping hand that is my sole saviour.

लक्ष्मीपते कमलनाभ सुरेश विष्णो यज्ञेश यज्ञ मधुसूदन विश्वरूप। ब्रह्मण्य केशव जनार्दन वासुदेव लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१३॥

Lord Lakshmi Narasimha! You are called by the divine names such as Kamalanabha, Suresha, Vishnu and Madhusudana. Protect me by lending your supporting hand. एकेन चक्रमपरेण करेण शङ्खं अन्येन सिन्धुतनयामवलम्ब्य तिष्ठन् । वामेतरेण वरदाभयपद्मचिह्नं लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१४॥

O Lord! You hold the chakra in one hand and the conch, shankha, in the other. With yet another hand you embrace Lakshmi. The right hand that holds the lotus-sign also displays the varada (boon-giving) and abhaya (assuring protection)signs. Lakshmi Narasimha! Your hand is my support.

अन्थस्य मे हृतविवेकमहाधनस्य चोरैर्महाबलिभिरिन्द्रियनामधेयैः । मोहान्थकारकुहरे विनिपातितस्य लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१५॥

O Lord Lakshmi Narasimha! I have been robbed of my invaluable wealth of discrimination by the strong gangsters that constitute my sense and motor organs. As I result I am in the dark pit of delusion. Extend your protective hand and lift me up.

प्रह्लादनारदपराशरपुण्डरीक-व्यासादिभागवतपुङ्गवहन्निवास । भक्तानुरुक्तपरिपालनपारिजात लक्ष्मीनृसिंह मम देहि करावलम्बम् ॥१६॥

O Lakshmi Narasimha! You love to abide in the heart of your ardent devotees such as Prahlada, Narada, Parashara, Pundarika and Vyasa. You are like the heavenly tree Parijata to your devotees. Come on, reside in my heart too and lend your supportive care to me.

लक्ष्मीनृसिंहचरणाब्जमधुव्रतेन स्तोत्रं कृतं शुभकरं भुवि शङ्करेण । ये तत्पठन्ति मनुजा हरिभक्तियुक्ताः ते यान्ति तत्पदसरोजमखण्डरूपम् ॥१७॥

This hymn that is the bee that hovers on the lotuses that are the feet of Lakshmi Narasimha, has been composed by Acharya Shankara. Anyone who is endowed with deep devotion to Lord Narasimha reads this hymn, will attain the lotus feet of the Lord.
