

MORNING ARATI

(English Translation)

The Devas said: "Salutation to the Devi, to the Mahadevi. Salutation always to her who is ever auspicious. Salutation to her who is the primordial cause and the sustaining power. With attention, we have made obeisance to her".

Salutation to her who is terrible, to her who is eternal.
Salutation to Gauri, the supporter of the universe.
Salutation always to her who is of the form of the moon
and is moon-light and happiness itself.

We bow to her who is welfare! We make salutations to her who is prosperity and success.
Salutation to the consort of Siva who is herself the good fortune as well as the misfortune of kings.

Salutation always to Durga who takes one across difficulties, who is essence, who is the author of everything, who is the knowledge of discrimination, and who is blue-black as also smoke-like in complexion.

We prostrate before her who is at once most gentle and most terrible; we salute her again and again. Salutation to her who is the support of the world. Salutation to the Devi who is the form of volition.

Salutations again and again to the Devi who in all beings is called Visnumaya.

Salutations again and again to the Devi who in all beings is termed as consciousness.

To the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of intelligence;

To the Devi who abides in all beings in the form of.....

Sleep, hunger, reflection, power, thirst, forgiveness, genius, modesty, peace, faith, loveliness, good fortune, activity, memory, compassion, contentment, mother, error.

To the all-pervading Devi who constantly presides over the senses of all beings and governs all the elements.

Salutations again and again to her who, pervading this entire world, abides in the form of consciousness.

EVENING AARATI

I sing the glory of the universal mother. The mother - who is destroyer of fear (bhayahaarini), one who saves from sorrows of worldly life (bhavataarini), one who is the mother of everything existing (bhavabhamini).

You are omnipresent (Sat), omniscient (Chit), everlasting bliss (Sukhamaya). You are the pure form of Brahma. You are the Truth, the perpetual, beautiful, greater than Shiva and ruler of Gods. You are the prime cause (aadi) of everything, but for yourself, you have no beginning (anaadi). You are healthy — free from sorrows (anaamaya). You are unwavering (avichal), you are undestroyable (avinaashi). You are without any stain (amal). You have no ending (ananta). You cannot be perceived (agochar). You are without a birth (aja) and mountain of bliss.

You are beyond the six Vikaarah (desire, anger, lust, ego, jealousy, attachment). You are the destroyer — remover of sins (adhaari). You are the wisdom (akala). You are the holder of all arts/powers (kalaadhaari). You are the creator Brahma, the protector Han, and the destructor Hara.

You are the companion of Brahma (Saraswati). You are Laxmi (Ramaa). You are Uma (Shankar's companion). You are the Mahamaya. You are the basic Prakriti (companion of Purusha). You are Vidya (the knowledge which is liberation). You are the Mother and Wife.

You are Rama, Krishna, Sita, and Radha — the queen of Vraja. You are the wish-fulfilling tree (vaanchha kalpa druma), and the destroyer of all sorts of obstacles (baadhaa).

You are the ten vidyas (four vedas and six shastras), the nine Durgas who have various weapons in their hands. You are the eight iuatrukas (yam, lam, wam, etc.), and the expert in Yoga (yogini), and you assume various new (nava nava) forms (roop)

You are a resident of Paramdham (that place - land which is different from this world), and you are the occupier (vilaasini) of everything. You roam the burning grounds (shmashana) or you also perform the supreme dance of Shiva (taandava).

You attract the attention of Gods (sura), and sages (munis). You are the tenderness itself. You are the supporting element of all that is beautiful (shobha dhaaran) or a stream of beauty. But at times, you appear without any garment (vivasana), and in your fearful appearance (vikata swarooma). Then, you are like the deluging, mighty waters.

You are the love and friendship (sneha) filled with nectar (sudhamayi). Also, you have an unfathomable (garala) complex mind. At times, you are decorated with jewels and, at times, you are only bones and skin.

You reside in Muladhara. You grant success here and there (para). You are beyond the time (kaal), and hence, Kali,
o Kamala(residing in lotus), bestow on us your blessings (varade).

You are the prime power. You are the powerful (shaktidhara). You are perpetual and without any break (abhedamayi). You are the speech power (vaani) with which differentiation (for right or wrong) is possible, and you are also the three Vedas (vedatrayi).

We are helpless and in sorrow, entangled in a net of difficulties. No doubt we are bad children (kaputa), we are crooked (kapati), but we are still your children.

Do cast your kind look on us, as to be kind is your nature, and keep us near your feet (charana sharana).

DEVI STUTI

Invoked of yore by the devas for the sake of their desired object, and adored by the Lord of the devas every day, may she, the Isvari, the source of all good, accomplish for us all auspicious things and put an end to our calamities. And who is now again, revered by us, devas, tormented by arrogant asuras and who, called to mind by us obeisant with devotion, destroys that very moment of all our calamities.

SURRENDER TO THE LORD

Thou art my mother, father, brother, and friend. Thou art my wisdom. Thou art my wealth. Thou art the master of my soul.

MANTRA OF HAPPINESS AND GOOD LUCK

May the Lord of mind -Ganesh, the leader of five senses; lover of fruits of sweet labor; son of Shakti be pleased with my prayer & grant happiness & pleasure to my life.

GANESH PRAYER

One who will meditate on the lotus feet of Vermillion bodied Angelic Energy of Ganesh, all his problems & obstacles will disappear immediately, as the multitude of darkness disappears at the rise of the Diamond of the Day - Sun.

PRAYER TO THE NINE PLANETS

May the blessings of the Three:

Brahma (Creator), Vishnu (Pro-motor), and Shiva (Destroyer); The rays of the nine planets: Sun, Moon, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn, Pluto, and Neptune bring to our lives, peace and happiness every day of the year. May the rays of these nine planets bring to us, golden mornings every day.

PRAYER TO KRISHNA

To the son of Vasudeva, Krishna The destroyer of the ego of the Kansa (wrong doers).

To Krishna who is the joy of the Divine Mother, Devaki. To Krishna who is the Guru of the World, we offer our prayers and salutations again and again.

PRAYER TO SHIVA

Wearing a necklace of cobra, Skin as white as camphor, Personifications of Love,
The essence of the World, This is Shiva.

Joyous as the Spring, Lotus of the Heart, Lord of the Universe. I offer my salutations to You
and Your wife, Parvatee, Mother of the Cosmos.

PRAYER TO VISHNU

Abounding peace, sleeping on the bed of Cobra, lotus coming from his navel, is Lord Vishnu
the God of Angels (Deva)

He sustains the universe His body is sky blue and like dark clouds and has beautiful limbs

Vishnu is the consort of Laxmi Goddess of Wealth. He has beautiful eyes like lotus flowers.
He is meditated upon by all yogis.

I offer salutations to Lord Vishnu who is reliever of all fears of the world and is Lord of all
people of the World

PRAYER TO RAAM

I offer salutations to Lord Shree Raam who has a body like a blue lotus, a very delicate dark blue His wife Sita is seated on his left side. He is holding a great bow and arrow in his hands He is the crown of the famous family of Raghus

PRAYER TO HANUMAN

I offer my salutations to Lord Hanuman, who is born of mind, has great speed like the wind, who is master of all senses, and a great genius among scholars. He is son of the Lord of Air. He is the leader of the army of monkeys He is the great messenger of Lord Shree Raama

GURU VANDANAA

(From Guru Geetaa Skanda Puraana)

The Guru is Brahma, the Guru is Vishnu, the Guru is Shiva, the Guru is verily the Supreme Brahma. Salutations to that Guru.

Salutations to the Guru who, with the Collyrium stick of wisdom has opened the eyes of one blinded by the disease of Ignorance.

I prostrate to the Guru who is Brahma, which is eternally pure, free from reflection, formless, eternally awake, a Pure Consciousness—Bliss.

The form of Guru is the basis of meditation, the feet of the Guru are the basis of worship, the words of the Guru are the basis of Mantra, the grace of the Guru is the basis of liberation.

OFFERING OF LIGHT

Oh Light, symbol of cosmic energy, I offer my prayers and salutations to you. May you bless me with all auspiciousness. May I have good health and energy. May you enlighten my soul. I offer my salutations to you.

OM, SHANTI, SHANTI, SHANTI.