



SACRED HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI) WITH MEANING

DASHARATHA SHANI STOTRA

Spoken by King Dasharatha, Padma Purana

THE COMPLETE HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI)

The ten verses of the hymn as they stand in the Padma Purana. The second half of the tenth verse is the narrator's line that closes the praise and turns to Shani's reply.

VERSE 1

नमः कृष्णाय नीलाय शितिकण्ठनिभाय च ।
नमः कालाग्निरूपाय कृतान्ताय च वै नमः ॥

Salutations to the dark one, the blue one, whose hue is like the dark throat of Shiva. Salutations to the one whose form is the fire of time, and salutations to Kritanta, the ender of all.

VERSE 2

नमो निर्मासदेहाय दीर्घश्मश्रुजटाय च ।
नमो विशालनेत्राय शुष्कोदरभयाकृते ॥

Salutations to the one whose body is without flesh, who has a long beard and matted locks. Salutations to the wide-eyed one, with a shrunken belly and a fearsome form.

VERSE 3

नमः पुष्कलगात्राय स्थूलरोम्णेऽथ वै नमः ।
नमो दीर्घाय शुष्काय कालदंष्ट्र नमोऽस्तु ते ॥

Salutations to the one with a large frame, and salutations to the one with coarse thick hair. Salutations to the tall and gaunt one; O you whose fangs are like those of Death, salutations to you.

VERSE 4

नमस्ते कोटराक्षाय दुर्निरीक्ष्याय वै नमः ।
नमो घोराय रौद्राय भीषणाय कपालिने ॥

Salutations to you whose eyes are deep-set like hollows, to the one who is hard to look upon. Salutations to the dreadful, the fierce, the terrifying one who bears a skull.

VERSE 5

नमस्ते सर्वभक्षाय वलीमुख नमोऽस्तु ते ।
सूर्यपुत्र नमस्तेऽस्तु भास्करेऽभयदाय च ॥

Salutations to you who devour all; O wrinkle-faced one, salutations to you. O son of the Sun, salutations to you; O offspring of Bhaskara, salutations to you, the giver of fearlessness.

VERSE 6

अधोदृष्टे नमस्तेऽस्तु संवर्तक नमोऽस्तु ते ।
नमो मन्दगते तुभ्यं निस्त्रिंशाय नमोऽस्तु ते ॥

O you of downward gaze, salutations to you; O dissolver of the worlds, salutations to you. Salutations to you, the slow-moving one; salutations to the one who is merciless as a drawn sword.

VERSE 7

तपसा दग्धदेहाय नित्यं योगरताय च ।
नमो नित्यं क्षुधार्ताय अतृप्ताय च वै नमः ॥

Salutations to the one whose body is burnt by austerity and who is ever absorbed in yoga. Salutations to the one who is always hungry and never satisfied.

VERSE 8

ज्ञानचक्षुर्मनस्तेऽस्तु कश्यपात्मजसूनवे ।
तुष्टो ददासि वै राज्यं रुष्टो हरसि तत्क्षणात् ॥

O you whose eye is wisdom, salutations to you, the son of the son of Kashyapa (Surya). When pleased you grant a kingdom; when angered you take it away that very moment.

VERSE 9

देवासुरमनुष्याश्च सिद्धविद्याधरोरगाः ।
त्वया विलोकिताः सर्वे नाशं यान्ति समूलतः ॥

Gods, demons and humans, Siddhas, Vidyadharas and serpents: the verse says that all of them, when looked upon by you, are destroyed root and all.

VERSE 10

प्रसादं कुरु मे देव वरार्होऽहमुपागतः ।
एवं स्तुतस्तदा सौरिर्ग्रहराजो महाबलः ॥

Be gracious to me, O god; I have come to you as one worthy of a boon. Thus praised, Sauri (Shani), the mighty king of the planets, then replied - this last line hands the story back to Shani's answer.

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