



ASTROBHAVA

SACRED HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI) WITH MEANING

DURGA SAPTASHATI CHAPTER 6

Markandeya Purana

The Padmavati meditation verse and all 24 numbered lines of the chapter in the standard numbering, 20 verses and 4 speaker lines; the speaker of each passage is named above it.

DHYANAM 1

ॐ नागाधीश्वरविष्टरां फणिफणोत्तंसोरुरत्नावलीभास्वदेहलतां दिवाकरनिभां नेत्रत्रयोद्भासिताम् ।
मालाकुम्भकपालनीरजकरां चन्द्रार्धचूडां परां सर्वज्ञेश्वरभैरवाङ्गनिलयां पद्मावतीं चिन्तये ॥

Om. I meditate on Padmavati, the supreme Goddess seated on the king of serpents, her slender body shining with the great string of jewels from the serpents' hoods; she is bright as the sun and glows with three eyes. She holds a rosary, a water-pot, a skull-bowl and a lotus, wears the half-moon on her head, and dwells on the lap of Bhairava, the all-knowing Lord.

VERSE 2

ऋषिरुवाच

इत्याकर्ण्य वचो देव्याः स दूतोऽमर्षपूरितः । समाचष्ट समागम्य दैत्यराजाय विस्तरात् ॥

The sage said: Hearing the Goddess's words, the messenger was filled with fury. He went back to the king of the demons and told him everything in detail.

VERSE 3

तस्य दूतस्य तद्वाक्यमाकर्ण्यसुरराट् ततः ।
सक्रोधः प्राह दैत्यानामधिपं धूम्रलोचनम् ॥

Hearing that report from the messenger, the demon king grew angry and spoke to Dhumralochana, a commander of the demons.

VERSE 4

हे धूम्रलोचनाशु त्वं स्वसैन्यपरिवारितः ।
तामानय बलाद् दुष्टां केशाकर्षणविह्वलाम् ॥

O Dhumralochana, go quickly, surrounded by your own army, and bring that wicked woman here by force, dragged helpless by her hair.

VERSE 5

तत्परित्राणदः कश्चिद्यदि वोत्तिष्ठतेऽपरः ।
स हन्तव्योऽमरो वापि यक्षो गन्धर्व एव वा ॥

If anyone else rises up to protect her, kill him, whether he is a god, a Yaksha or a Gandharva.

VERSE 7

ऋषिरुवाच

तेनाज्ञप्तस्ततः शीघ्रं स दैत्यो धूम्रलोचनः । वृतः षष्ट्या सहस्राणामसुराणां द्रुतं ययौ ॥

The sage said: So commanded by him, the demon Dhumralochana set out at once, surrounded by sixty thousand asuras.

VERSE 8

स दृष्ट्वा तां ततो देवीं तुहिनाचलसंस्थिताम् ।

जगादोच्चैः प्रयाहीति मूलं शुम्भनिशुम्भयोः ॥

Seeing the Goddess standing on the snowy mountain, he shouted aloud: Come along to Shumbha and Nishumbha.

VERSE 9

न चेत्प्रीत्याद्य भवती मद्भर्तारमुपैष्यति ।

ततो बलान्नयाम्येष केशाकर्षणविह्वलाम् ॥

If you do not come to my master willingly now, I will take you by force, dragged helpless by your hair.

VERSE 11

देव्युवाच

दैत्येश्वरेण प्रहितो बलवान् बलसंवृतः । बलान्नयसि मामेवं ततः किं ते करोम्यहम् ॥

The Goddess said: You are sent by the lord of the demons, you are strong, and you have an army around you. If you take me by force like this, what can I do to you?

VERSE 13

ऋषिरुवाच

इत्युक्तः सोऽभ्यधावत्तामसुरो धूम्रलोचनः । हुंकारेणैव तं भस्म सा चकाराम्बिका ततः ॥

The sage said: When she said this, the asura Dhumralochana rushed at her. Then Ambika burnt him to ashes with nothing more than the sound hum.

VERSE 14

अथ क्रुद्धं महासैन्यमसुराणां तथाम्बिका ।

ववर्ष सायकैस्तीक्ष्णैस्तथा शक्तिपरश्वधैः ॥

Then the great army of the asuras, in a rage, and Ambika rained sharp arrows, spears and axes on one another.

VERSE 15

ततो धुतसटः कोपात्कृत्वा नादं सुभैरवम् ।
पपातासुरसेनायां सिंहो देव्याः स्ववाहनः ॥

Then the lion, the Goddess's own mount, shaking its mane in anger and giving a terrifying roar, fell upon the asura army.

VERSE 16

कांश्चित् करप्रहारेण दैत्यानास्येन चापरान् ।
आक्रम्य चाधरेणान्यान् स जघान महासुरान् ॥

It killed some demons with blows of its paws, others with its jaws, and still other great asuras by trampling them and biting with its lower jaw.

VERSE 17

केषांचित्पाटयामास नखैः कोष्ठानि केसरी ।
तथा तलप्रहारेण शिरांसि कृतवान् पृथक् ॥

The lion tore open the bellies of some with its claws, and with slaps of its paw it struck the heads off others.

VERSE 18

विच्छिन्नबाहुशिरसः कृतास्तेन तथापरे ।
पपौ च रुधिरं कोष्ठादन्येषां धुतकेसरः ॥

It cut off the arms and heads of others, and shaking its mane it drank the blood from the bellies of yet others.

VERSE 19

क्षणेन तद्वलं सर्वं क्षयं नीतं महात्मना ।
तेन केसरिणा देव्या वाहनेनातिकोपिना ॥

In a moment that whole army was destroyed by the mighty lion, the Goddess's mount, in its great fury.

VERSE 20

श्रुत्वा तमसुरं देव्या निहतं धूम्रलोचनम् ।
बलं च क्षयितं कृत्स्नं देवीकेसरिणा ततः ॥

Hearing that the asura Dhumralochana had been slain by the Goddess, and that his whole army had been destroyed by the Goddess's lion,

VERSE 21

चुकोप दैत्याधिपतिः शुम्भः प्रस्फुरिताधरः ।
आज्ञापयामास च तौ चण्डमुण्डौ महासुरौ ॥

Shumbha, the lord of the demons, grew furious, his lip trembling, and he gave orders to the two great asuras Chanda and Munda.

VERSE 22

हे चण्ड हे मुण्ड बलैर्बहुभिः परिवारितौ ।
तत्र गच्छत गत्वा च सा समानीयतां लघु ॥

O Chanda, O Munda, go there surrounded by large armies, and once there, bring her back quickly.

VERSE 23

केशेष्वकृष्य बद्ध्वा वा यदि वः संशयो युधि ।
तदाशेषायुधैः सर्वैरसुरैर्विनिहन्यताम् ॥

Drag her by the hair or bind her and bring her. If you are in doubt of success in battle, then let her be killed by all the asuras with every weapon they have.

VERSE 24

तस्यां हतायां दुष्टायां सिंहं च विनिपातिते ।
शीघ्रमागम्यतां बद्ध्वा गृहीत्वा तामथाम्बिकाम् ॥

When that wicked one is struck down and the lion is killed too, bind that Ambika, seize her, and come back quickly.

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