



SACRED HYMN · HINDI (DEVANAGARI) WITH MEANING

GANESH CHALISA



Ramsundar Prabhudas

DOHA 1

जय गणपति सद्गुण सदन कविवर बदन कृपाल ।
विघ्न हरण मंगल करण जय जय गिरिजालाल ॥

Glory to Ganapati, home of every virtue, gracious one with a face loved by poets. Remover of obstacles and bringer of good fortune, glory, glory to the darling son of Girija (Parvati).

CHAUPAI 1

जय जय जय गणपति गणराजू ।
मंगल भरण करण शुभ काजू ॥

Glory, glory, glory to Ganapati, king of the ganas, who fills life with blessings and brings good works to completion.

CHAUPAI 2

जय गजबदन सदन सुखदाता ।
विश्व विनायक बुद्धि विधाता ॥

Glory to the elephant-faced one, the abode and giver of happiness, Vinayaka of the whole world and the giver of wisdom.

CHAUPAI 3

वक्र तुण्ड शुचि शुण्ड सुहावन ।
तिलक त्रिपुण्ड भाल मन भावन ॥

Your curved trunk is pure and lovely, and the three-line tilak on your forehead delights the mind.

CHAUPAI 4

राजत मणि मुक्तन उर माला ।
स्वर्ण मुकुट शिर नयन विशाला ॥

A garland of jewels and pearls shines on your chest; a golden crown sits on your head, and your eyes are large.

CHAUPAI 5

पुस्तक पाणि कुठार त्रिशूलं ।
मोदक भोग सुगन्धित फूलं ॥

In your hands are a book, an axe and a trident; modaks are your offering, along with fragrant flowers.

CHAUPAI 6

सुन्दर पीताम्बर तन साजित ।
चरण पादुका मुनि मन राजित ॥

A handsome yellow garment adorns your body, and your sandalled feet shine in the minds of sages.

CHAUPAI 7

धनि शिवसुवन षडानन भ्राता ।
गौरी ललन विश्व-विख्याता ॥

Blessed is the son of Shiva, brother of six-faced Kartikeya, the darling of Gauri, famed throughout the world.

CHAUPAI 8

ऋद्धि सिद्धि तव चंवर सुधारे ।
मूषक वाहन सोहत द्वारे ॥

Riddhi and Siddhi wave the chamara fan for you, and your mouse mount waits handsomely at the door.

CHAUPAI 9

कहाँ जन्म शुभ कथा तुम्हारी ।
अति शुचि पावन मंगलकारी ॥

Let me tell the auspicious story of your birth, which is very pure, sanctifying and full of blessing.

CHAUPAI 10

एक समय गिरिराज कुमारी ।
पुत्र हेतु तप कीन्हा भारी ॥

Once the daughter of the mountain king (Parvati) performed great austerities to gain a son.

CHAUPAI 11

भयो यज्ञ जब पूर्ण अनूपा ।
तब पहुँच्यो तुम धरि द्विज रूपा ॥

When her matchless sacrifice was complete, you arrived there in the form of a brahmin.

CHAUPAI 12

अतिथि जानि कै गौरी सुखारी ।
बहु विधि सेवा करी तुम्हारी ॥

Knowing you to be a guest, Gauri was glad and served you in many ways.

CHAUPAI 13

अति प्रसन्न है तुम वर दीन्हा ।
मातु पुत्र हित जो तप कीन्हा ॥

Greatly pleased, you granted a boon to the mother for the austerity she had done for the sake of a son.

CHAUPAI 14

मिलहि पुत्र तुहि बुद्धि विशाला ।
बिना गर्भ धारण यहि काला ॥

You told her: you will receive a son of great wisdom, at this very time, without carrying him in the womb.

CHAUPAI 15

गणनायक गुण ज्ञान निधाना ।
पूजित प्रथम रूप भगवाना ॥

He will be the leader of the ganas, a treasury of virtue and knowledge, a form of the Lord worshipped first of all.

CHAUPAI 16

अस कहि अन्तर्धान रूप है ।
पलना पर बालक स्वरूप है ॥

Saying this, you vanished from sight and appeared in the cradle in the form of a baby.

CHAUPAI 17

बनि शिशु रुदन जबहिं तुम ठाना ।
लखि मुख सुख नहिं गौरि समाना ॥

When, as an infant, you began to cry, Gauri looked at your face and her joy could not be contained.

CHAUPAI 18

सकल मगन सुख मंगल गावहिं ।
नभ ते सुरन सुमन वर्षावहिं ॥

Everyone was overjoyed and sang songs of celebration, and the gods showered flowers from the sky.

CHAUPAI 19

शम्भु उमा बहु दान लुटावहिं ।
सुर मुनिजन सुत देखन आवहिं ॥

Shambhu and Uma gave away gifts freely, and gods and sages came to see the son.

CHAUPAI 20

लखि अति आनन्द मंगल साजा ।
देखन भी आये शनि राजा ॥

Seeing the great joy and festive preparations, King Shani also came to look.

CHAUPAI 21

निज अवगुण गुनि शनि मन माहीं ।
बालक देखन चाहत नाहीं ॥

But Shani, mindful of his own harmful nature, did not wish to look at the child.

CHAUPAI 22

गिरिजा कछु मन भेद बढ़ायो ।
उत्सव मोर न शनि तुहि भायो ॥

Girija felt somewhat hurt and said: Shani, does my celebration not please you?

CHAUPAI 23

कहन लगे शनि मन सकुचाई ।
का करिहौ शिशु मोहि दिखाई ॥

Shani, hesitant at heart, began to say: what will you gain by showing me the child?

CHAUPAI 24

नहिं विश्वास उमा उर भयऊ ।
शनि सों बालक देखन कह्यऊ ॥

Uma did not believe him, and she asked Shani to look at the child.

CHAUPAI 25

पड़तहिं शनि दृग कोण प्रकाशा ।
बालक सिर उड़ि गयो अकाशा ॥

As soon as the glance from the corner of Shani's eye fell on him, the child's head flew off into the sky.

CHAUPAI 26

गिरिजा गिरीं विकल है धरणी ।
सो दुख दशा गयो नहिं वरणी ॥

Girija fell to the ground in anguish; that state of grief cannot be described.

CHAUPAI 27

हाहाकार मच्यो कैलाशा ।
शनि कीन्हों लखि सुत को नाशा ॥

A cry of lament rose over Kailasa: Shani, by looking, had destroyed the son.

CHAUPAI 28

तुरत गरुड़ चढ़ि विष्णु सिधाये ।
काटि चक्र सो गज शिर लाये ॥

At once Vishnu set out on Garuda, cut off an elephant's head with his discus and brought it back.

CHAUPAI 29

बालक के धड़ ऊपर धारयो ।
प्राण मन्त्र पढ़ि शंकर डारयो ॥

He placed it on the child's body, and Shankara recited the life-giving mantra and breathed life into him.

CHAUPAI 30

नाम गणेश शम्भु तब कीन्हे ।
प्रथम पूज्य बुद्धि निधि वर दीन्हे ॥

Then Shambhu named him Ganesha and gave him the boon of being worshipped first, a treasury of wisdom.

CHAUPAI 31

बुद्धि परीक्षा जब शिव कीन्हा ।
पृथ्वी कर प्रदक्षिणा लीन्हा ॥

When Shiva set a test of wisdom, a race to circle the earth was undertaken.

CHAUPAI 32

चले षडानन भरमि भुलाई ।
रचे बैठ तुम बुद्धि उपाई ॥

Six-faced Kartikeya set off, wandering and misled, while you sat and devised a clever plan.

CHAUPAI 33

चरण मातु-पितु के धर लीन्हें ।
तिनके सात प्रदक्षिण कीन्हें ॥

You took hold of the feet of your mother and father and walked around them seven times.

CHAUPAI 34

धनि गणेश कहि शिव हिय हरषे ।
नभ ते सुरन सुमन बहु बरसे ॥

Saying 'Blessed is Ganesha', Shiva rejoiced at heart, and the gods rained many flowers from the sky.

CHAUPAI 35

तुम्हरी महिमा बुद्धि बड़ाई ।
शेष सहस मुख सके न गाई ॥

Your glory and the greatness of your wisdom cannot be sung even by Shesha with his thousand mouths.

CHAUPAI 36

मैं मति हीन मलीन दुखारी ।
करहुँ कौन विधि विनय तुम्हारी ॥

I am dull of mind, impure and sorrowful; in what way can I offer my prayer to you?

CHAUPAI 37

भजत रामसुन्दर प्रभुदासा ।
जग प्रयाग ककरा दुर्वासा ॥

Ramsundar, servant of the Lord, sings your praise; the rest of the line names places (Prayag, Kakra, Durvasa), and editors read it in different ways.

CHAUPAI 38

अब प्रभु दया दीन पर कीजै ।
अपनी शक्ति भक्ति कुछ दीजै ॥

Now, Lord, have mercy on this humble one, and grant me something of your strength and devotion.

DOHA 2

श्री गणेश यह चालीसा पाठ करै धर ध्यान ।
नित नव मंगल गृह बसै लहे जगत सन्मान ॥

The verse says that whoever recites this Shri Ganesha Chalisa with attention will see fresh blessings dwell in the home every day and will gain honour in the world.

DOHA 3

संवत् अपन सहस्र दश ऋषि पंचमी दिनेश ।
पूरण चालीसा भयो मंगल मूर्ति गणेश ॥

This closing doha is a colophon recording when the Chalisa was completed: on Rishi Panchami, falling on a Sunday, in a samvat year given by an obscure phrase ('apana sahasra dasha') that cannot be dated with confidence. So the Chalisa was completed; Ganesha is the embodiment of auspiciousness.

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