ASTROBHAVA

SACRED HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI) WITH MEANING

Shiva Shadakshara Stotram

Rudrayamala, traditional

THE COMPLETE HYMN · SANSKRIT (DEVANAGARI)

Six verses, one for each syllable of Om Namah Shivaya, followed by a verse on the fruit of recitation. The printed closing line is given at the end.

VERSE 1

ॐकारं बिंदुसंयुक्तं नित्यं ध्यायंति योगिनः ।
कामदं मोक्षदं चैव ॐकाराय नमो नमः ॥

Yogis meditate always on the syllable Om joined with the bindu, the dot of sound. It grants what is desired and grants liberation as well; salutations again and again to the syllable Om.

VERSE 2

नमंति ऋषयो देवा नमन्त्यप्सरसां गणाः ।
नरा नमंति देवेशं नकाराय नमो नमः ॥

The sages and the gods bow down, the hosts of celestial nymphs bow down, and men bow down to the Lord of the gods. Salutations again and again to the syllable Na.

VERSE 3

महादेवं महात्मानं महाध्यानपरायणम् ।
महापापहरं देवं मकाराय नमो नमः ॥

To the Great God, the great-souled one, who is absorbed in deep meditation, the god who takes away even great sins: salutations again and again to the syllable Ma.

VERSE 4

शिवं शांतं जगन्नाथं लोकानुग्रहकारकम् ।
शिवमेकपदं नित्यं शिकाराय नमो नमः ॥

Shiva, the auspicious and peaceful Lord of the universe, who shows grace to all the worlds; Shiva, the one eternal goal. Salutations again and again to the syllable Shi.

VERSE 5

वाहनं वृषभो यस्य वासुकिः कंठभूषणम् ।
वामे शक्तिधरं देवं वकाराय नमो नमः ॥

He whose mount is the bull and whose neck ornament is the serpent Vasuki, the god who bears Shakti on his left side: salutations again and again to the syllable Va.

VERSE 6

यत्र यत्र स्थितो देवः सर्वव्यापी महेश्वरः ।
यो गुरुः सर्वदेवानां यकाराय नमो नमः ॥

The god who dwells wherever one looks, the all-pervading Great Lord, who is the teacher of all the gods: salutations again and again to the syllable Ya.

PHALA SHRUTI 1

षडक्षरमिदं स्तोत्रं यः पठेच्छिवसंनिधौ ।
शिवलोकमवाप्नोति शिवेन सह मोदते ॥

The verse says that whoever recites this six-syllable hymn in the presence of Shiva reaches the world of Shiva and rejoices together with Shiva.

CLOSING

॥ इति श्री रुद्रयामले उमामहेश्वरसंवादे षडक्षरस्तोत्रं सम्पूर्णम् ॥

Thus ends the Shadakshara Stotram, from the dialogue of Uma and Maheshvara in the Rudrayamala.

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