

.. Shri Kanakadhara Stotra ..

.. ଶ୍ରୀ କନକଧାରାଷ୍ଟୋତ୍ରମ୍ ..

ଅଙ୍ଗଂ ହରେଃ ପୁଲକଭୂଷଣମାଶ୍ରୟତୀ

ଭୃଙ୍ଗାଙ୍ଗନେବ ମୁକୁଳାଭରଣଂ ତମାଳମ୍ .

ଅଙ୍ଗୀକୃତାଝ୍ୱଳବିଭୂତିରପାଙ୍ଗଲୀଳା

ମାଙ୍ଗଲ୍ୟଦାୟସ୍ତୁ ମମ ମଙ୍ଗଳଦେବତାୟାଃ ... ୧...

The dark Tamala tree in full bloom attracts the female beetle and even so Mahalakshmi is attracted and finds happiness in the fragrant and dark-complexioned body of Hari and makes it tingle with joy. May she bestow on me prosperity by her auspicious glance. Note: The poet in Shankara compares the dark Tamala tree to the dark beautiful form of Vishnu, the dark beetle to the black

lustrous eyes of Mahalakshmi. The glance of Lakshmi's eyes on Vishnu gives him great happiness. A mere momentary flash of her eyes on anybody will bless him with prosperity.. 1 ..

ମୁଗ୍ଧା ମୁହୁର୍ତ୍ତଦକ୍ଷତା ବଦନେ ମୁରାରେଃ

ପ୍ରେମତ୍ରପାପ୍ରଶିହିତାନି ଗତାଗତାନି .

ମାଲା ଦୃଶୋର୍ମଧୁକରୀବ ମହୋତ୍ମଳେ ଯା

ସା ମେ ଶ୍ରିୟଂ ଦିଶତୁ ସାଗରସଂଭବାୟାଃ .. ୨..

The shy love-laden sidelong glance of the beautiful dark eyes of the daughter of the Milky Ocean, returns again and again to the beautiful lotus face of Murari, just like the black bee constantly returning and flitting about the beautiful blue lotus flower. I pray that these glances be bestowed upon me to bless me with prosperity.

Note: The dark beauteous face of the Lord is likened to the

blue lotus. The dark glance rests upon the handsome face

of the Lord and out of shyness the eyes are turned away

but love again makes the glance rest upon the Lord.

This

series of sidelong glances are likened here to a string or Mala

and they further look like the series of trips which the honey

seeking black bee makes to the blue lotus. The devotee hopes

that he will be prosperous if a sidelong glance of the Goddess

of Wealth falls at least momentarily on him... 2 ..

ଆମଲିତାକ୍ଷମଧୁରମ୍ୟ ମୁଦା ମୁକୁନ୍ଦଂ

ଆନନ୍ଦକନ୍ଦମନିମେଷମନଙ୍ଗତନ୍ଦ୍ରମ୍ .

ଆକେକରକ୍ଷିତକନନିକପକ୍ଷ୍ମନେତ୍ରଂ

ଭୂତୈଃ ଭବେନ୍ନମ ଭୁଜଙ୍ଗଶୟାଙ୍ଗନାୟାଃ .. ୩..

The eyes of Mukunda remain closed in ecstasy. The
beauteous

dark eyes of Lakshmi remain fixed on Mukunda in love
and

wonder and remain open without blinking. May these
eyes of

Mahalakshmi fall on me and bless me with prosperity
and happiness.. 3 ..

ବାହୁକ୍ତରେ ମଧୁଜିତଃ ଶ୍ରୀତକୌସୁଭେ ଯା

ହାରାବଲୀବ ହରିନୀଲମୟୀ ବିଭାତି .

କାମପ୍ରଦା ଭଗବତୋଽପି କଟାକ୍ଷମାଳା

କଲ୍ୟାଣମାବହୁତୁ ମେ କମଳାଲୟାୟାଃ .. ୪..

Lord Vishnu whose chest is adorned by the Kaustubha Mala is also adorned by the series of the beautiful glances of Goddess Mahalakshmi. This string of glances

resembles a necklace of precious blue stones of Indraneela and they are capable of fulfilling all the wishes

of Hari Himself. May this string of glances be directed towards me so that it will bring me auspiciousness.. 4 ..

କାଳାୟାଳିଲିତୋରସି କୈଚଭାରେଃ

ଧାରାଧରେ ସ୍ଫୁରତି ଯା ତତ୍ତଦଙ୍ଗନେବ .

ମାତୁସ୍ଵମସ୍ତଜଗତାଂ ମହନୀୟମୂର୍ତ୍ତିଃ

ଭଦ୍ରାଣି ମେ ଦିଶତୁ ଭାର୍ଗବନନ୍ଦନାୟାଃ .. ୫..

Mahalakshmi shining on the dark broad chest of

Mahavishnu is like the streak of lightning illuminating

the dark rain clouds. May she, the daughter of the Sage Bhargava worshipped as Mother by the entire universe, bring me auspiciousness.. 5 ..

ପ୍ରାପ୍ତଂ ପଦଂ ପ୍ରଥମତଃ ଖଲୁ ଉତ୍ତୁ ଭାବତ୍

ମାଙ୍ଗଲ୍ୟଭାଜି ମଧୁମାଧୁନି ମନ୍ତ୍ରଧେନ .

ମନ୍ଦ୍ୟାପତେଭଦିହ ମନ୍ତ୍ରମୀକ୍ଷଣାର୍ଥଂ

ମନ୍ଦାଲସଂ ଚ ମକରାଲକ୍ଷକନ୍ୟକାୟାଃ .. ୬..

The God of Love, Manmatha, could gain access to Madhusudana (the destroyer of the demon Madhu, i.e. Vishnu) only because he was favored with the blessing glance from Mahalakshmi . May her auspicious indolent

sideglance fall on me (May she bless me with prosperity

by looking at me in passing at least for a moment .. 6 ..

ବିଶ୍ୱାମରେନ୍ଦ୍ରପଦବିଭ୍ରମଦାନଦକ୍ଷଂ

ଆନନ୍ଦହେତୁରଧିକଂ ମୁରବିଦ୍ରିଷୋଽପି .

କ୍ଷମନ୍ତିଷାଦତୁ ମଝି କ୍ଷମମୀକ୍ଷଣାର୍ଥମ୍

ଇନ୍ଦ୍ରୀବରୋଦରସହୋଦରମିନ୍ଦିରାୟଃ .. ୭..

The status of the king of kings or the exalted position of an Indra are given effortlessly by Mahalakshmi by a mere

momentary glance. Murari (Vishnu) who is supreme bliss

itself is made happy by it. May this glance from the blue-

lotus eyes of Lakshmi fall on me for a moment at least.

Note: The beautiful lotus eyes flashing momentarily on

someone is capable of making him a king of kings or even

an Indra. Murari the seat of all bliss is thrown into
ecstasy

by it. Will she not glance at me , even for a second?.. 7..

ଇଷ୍ଟାବିଶିଷ୍ଟମତୟୋଽପି ଯତ୍ନା ଦୟାର୍ତ୍ତ-

ଦୃଷ୍ଟ୍ୟା ତ୍ରିବିଷ୍ଟପପଦଂ ସୁଲଭଂ ଲଭତେ .

ଦୃଷ୍ଟିଃ ପ୍ରହୃଷ୍ଟକମଲୋଦରଦୀପ୍ତିରିଷ୍ଟାଂ

ପୁଷ୍ଟିଂ କୃଷୀଷ୍ଟ ମମ ପୁଷ୍ଟରବିଷ୍ଟରାୟାଃ .. ୮..

The higher worlds like Swarga which are difficult of
attainment

and for which great sacrifices like Ashwamedha are
performed

become easily attainable by the compassion filled look
of the

lotus eyes of Mahalakshmi . May she look at me so
that I may

attain my heart's desires. .. 8 ..

ଦଦ୍ୟାଦନ୍ନାନ୍ନୁପବନୋ ଦ୍ରବିଶାନ୍ନୁଧାରାଂ

ଅସ୍ମିନ୍ନକିନ୍ତୁନବିହଙ୍ଗଶିଶୌ ବିଷଣ୍ଣେ .

ଦୁଷ୍ଟର୍ଯ୍ୟର୍ଯ୍ୟମପନୀୟ ଚିରାୟ ଦୂରଂ

ନାରାୟଣପ୍ରଣୟିନୀନୟନାମୁବାହଃ .. ୯..

The dark rain clouds driven by the monsoon winds releases rain on the parched earth and quench the thirst of the Chataka bird and brings prosperity on the earth. In like manner may the dark eyes of Mahalakshmi

resembling the rain cloud wafted by the breeze of compassion

release the rain of prosperity on this devotee of a Chataka

bird stricken with the load of accumulated sins so that the sins are washed away and prosperity bestowed upon him.. 9 ..

ଗୀର୍ଦ୍ଧେବତେତି ଗରୁଡ଼ଧ୍ଵଜସୁନ୍ଦରୀତି

ଶାକମ୍ବରୀତି ଶଶିଶେଖରବଲ୍ଲଭେତି .

ସୃଷ୍ଟିସ୍ଥିତିପ୍ରଲୟକେଲିଷୁ ସଂସ୍ଥିତାୟେ

ତସ୍ୟୈ ନମସ୍ତ୍ରିଭୁବନୈକଗୁରୋସ୍ତ୍ରୁଣୈଃ .. ୧୦..

We offer obeisance to the Goddess Mahalakshmi,
the consort of Narayana, the preceptor of all the three
worlds. She is variously known as Saraswati the
Goddess

of Learning, as Goddess Lakshmi, the Divine consort
of Mahavishnu, as Shakambhari or as Parvati the
consort

of Lord Maheshwara. Verily it is she who is playfully
engaged

in creation, protection and final destruction of the
Universe.. 10 ..

ଶ୍ରୁତୈଃ ନମୋଽସ୍ତୁ ଶୁଭକର୍ମଫଳପ୍ରସୂତୈଃ

ରତ୍ନେୟ ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ରମଣୀୟଗୁଣାର୍ଣ୍ଣବାନ୍ଧେ .

ଶକ୍ତେୟ ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଶତପତ୍ରନିକେତନାନ୍ଧେ

ପୁଷ୍ପେୟ ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ପୁରୁଷୋତ୍ତମବଲ୍ଲଭାନ୍ଧେ .. ୧୧..

O Goddess as the very manifestation of the Vedas,
you grant the fruits of godd action. Beautiful in form
like

Rati Devi you are the very ocean of superlatively
beautiful qualities. Having your abode in the beautiful
lotus of a hundred petals, you are Shakti personified.

O consort of Purushottama, You are the Goddess of
plenty. Please accept my obeisance .. 11 ..

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ନୀଳୀକନ୍ଥିଭାନନାନ୍ଧେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଦୁର୍ଗଧୋଦଧୁଜନ୍ମଭୂମିନିଧେୟ .

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ସୋମାମୃତସୋଦରାନ୍ଧେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ନାରାୟଣବଲ୍ଲଭାନ୍ଧେ .. ୧୨..

O Consort of Narayana! Whose face is as beautiful
as the lotus in bloom, I bow down to thee . Born
out of the milky ocean, along with the moon and the
Divine nectar, O Goddess! accept my pranams.. 12 ..

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ହେମାମ୍ବୁଜପୀଠିକାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଭୂମଣ୍ଡଳନାୟିକାୟେ .

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଦେବାଦିଦୟାପରାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଶାର୍ଗ୍ଂଗାୟୁଧବଳଭାୟେ ... ୧୩..

I prostrate before you, O Goddess, who are seated
on the Golden Lotus, who is Goddess of the earth, the
consort of Narayana, compassionate to the Devas.. 13

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଦେବ୍ୟୈ ଭୃଗୁନନ୍ଦନାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ବିଷ୍ଣୋରୁରସି ସ୍ଥିତାୟେ .

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଲକ୍ଷ୍ମ୍ୟୈ କମଳାଲୟାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଦାମୋଦରବଲ୍ଲଭାୟେ .. ୧୪..

My obeisance to you, O daughter of Bhrigu, consort
of Damadara. O Lakshmi, seated on Lotus and
adorning

the broad chest of Mahavishnu, my salutations to
Thee.. 14 ..

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ କାନ୍ତ୍ୟେ କମଳେକ୍ଷଣାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଭୂତ୍ୟେ ଭୁବନପ୍ରସୂତ୍ୟେ .

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ଦେବାଦିଭିରଚିତାୟେ

ନମୋଃସ୍ତୁ ନନ୍ଦାତ୍ମଜବଲ୍ଲଭାୟେ .. ୧୪..

O Consort of Gopala, the son of Nanda, you
are worshipped by the Devas. You are Jyoti
incarnate, I prostrate before Thee. Your eyes
are like lotus petals. You have created the world
and you bestow prosperity. Please accept my

salutations.. 15 ..

ସମ୍ପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣାଣି ସକଳେନ୍ଦ୍ରିୟନନ୍ଦନାନ୍ତି

ସାମ୍ରାଜ୍ୟଦାନବିଭବାନ୍ତି ସରୋରୁହାଣ୍ଡି .

ଭୃଗୁନନ୍ଦାନ୍ତି ଦୁରିତୋଦ୍ଧରଣୋଦ୍ୟତାନ୍ତି

ମାମେବ ମାତରନ୍ତିଶଂ କଳୟନ୍ତୁ ମାମେୟ .. ୧୬..

May I always have the desire to prostrate before you because a pranam to you is capable of bestowing all prosperity and will bring happiness to all the senses.

Worshipping O Lotus-eyed Goddess not only removes all miseries but it confers happiness and plenty.. 16 ..

କ୍ଷୁଦ୍ରାକ୍ଷୟମୁପାସନାବିଧିଃ

ସେବକସ୍ୟ ସକଳାର୍ଥସଂପଦଃ .

ସଂତନୋତି ବିଚନାଙ୍ଗମାନସୈଃ

ତ୍ଵାଂ ମୁରାରିହୃଦୟେଶ୍ଵରୀଂ ଭଜେ .. ୧୭..

The devotee who worships your Kataksha (sidelong

glance) is blessed with wealth and prosperity. To you, the queen who dominates the heart of Vishnu, my pranamas, through word, thought, and deed.. 17 ..

ସରସିଜନିଳୟେ ସରୋଜହସ୍ତେ

ଧବଳତମାଂଶୁକଗନ୍ଧମାଲ୍ୟଶୋଭେ .

ଭଗବତି ହରିବଲ୍ଲଭେ ମନୋଜ୍ଞେ

ତ୍ରିଭୁବନଭୂତିକରି ପ୍ରସାଦ ମହ୍ୟମ୍ .. ୧୮..

Seated on the lotus with the lotus flower in your hand, dressed in dazzling white and adorned with garlands and

sandalwood paste, you gladden our hearts. O

Goddess,

the consort of Vishnu you who confer prosperity on all the three worlds, please show compassion towards me.. 18 ..

ଦିଗ୍ ହସ୍ତିଭିଃ କନକକୁଂଭମୁଖାବସୃଷ୍ଟ-

ସ୍ୱର୍ବାହିନୀବିମଳତାରୁଜଲପୁତାଙ୍ଗୀମ୍ .

ପ୍ରାତର୍ନମାମି ଜଗତାଂ ଜନନୀମଶେଷ-

ଲୋକାଧିନାଥଗୃହିଣୀମମୃତାସ୍ତିପୁତ୍ରୀମ୍ .. ୧୯..

O mother of all the worlds, consort of Vishnu the lord of the Universe, the Dig-gajas (the celestial elephants guarding

various directions) bathe you everyday with waters of the

Deva Ganga poured out from golden vessels. O daughter of

the milky ocean, I prostrate before Thee.. 19 ..

କମଳେ କମଳାକ୍ଷବଲ୍ଲଭେ ତ୍ଵଂ

କରୁଣାପୂରତରଙ୍ଗିତୈରପାଙ୍ଗୈଃ .

ଅବଲୋକୟ ମାମକିନ୍ଦୁନୀନାଂ

ପ୍ରଥମଂ ପାତ୍ରମକୃତ୍ରିମଂ ଦକ୍ଷାୟାଃ .. ୨୦..

O Goddess Lakshmi, consort of the Lotus-eyed

Mahavishnu, direct your gaze filled with compassion
at me, your devotee who am the poorest of the poor,
so that I may become the true recipient of the benefits
of your compassion.. 20 ..

ଦେବି ପ୍ରସାଦ ଜଗଦୀଶ୍ଵରି ଲୋକନାଥଃ

କଲ୍ୟାଣଗାତ୍ରି କମଳେକ୍ଷଣଜୀବନାଥେ .

ଦାରିଦ୍ର୍ୟଭୀତିହୃଦୟଂ ଶରଣାଗତଂ ମାମ୍

ଆଲୋକୟ ପ୍ରତିଦିନଂ ସଦୟୈରପାଞ୍ଚେଃ .. ୨୧..

O Goddess, controller of the Universe and protector
of the people, blessing with your limbs, and gazing
with

your lotus-like eyes, forgive me. With my heart filled
with

fear of poverty, I surrender myself wholly to you, that
you

may watch over me every day with unbroken
compassion.. 21 ..

ସ୍ତୁବନ୍ତି ଯେ ସ୍ତୁତିଭିରମୀଭିରନ୍ଦ୍ରଃ

ତ୍ରୟୀମୟୀଂ ତ୍ରିଭୁବନମାତରଂ ରମାମ୍ .

ଗୁଣାଧିକା ଗୁରୁତରଭାଗ୍ୟଭାଗିନୀ

ଭବନ୍ତି ତେ ଭୁବି ବୁଧଭାବିତାଶୟାଃ .. ୨୨..

Those who sing the praise of Mahalakshmi who
is the vedas personified, by these stotras everyday
will be blessed with all good qualities, unsurpassed
good fortune and powers of the intellect which will
earn praise from even the learned... 22 ..

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Thus concludes the Kanakadhara Stotra,
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