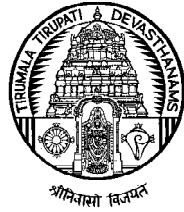


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FOREWORD

The Rig Veda is the oldest spiritual text of humanity and its message of the indivisible bond that exists between man and Supreme Being is of profound significance. In the evolution of civilisation, it marked the first milestone in understanding limitations of human intelligence based on physical phenomenon and the all-encompassing power of Divinity in directing the human affairs in their entirety. The need for remaining humble and revering the Supreme Being, as a son does his father, is well emphasised in the Vedic tradition.

It is regrettable that we have lost sight of the richest treasure of wisdom in moulding our lives on unshakable philosophical foundations. Today's youth is virtually groping in the dark as it has found no anchor in life. This is due to serious limitations of current education system, fast-paced technology, materialistic orientation of life, pulls and pressures of varied nature. Added to this, lack of access to the knowledge of ancient Sanskrit has deprived the young minds of an inspiring source of sustenance in a rudderless world.

It is in this background that one appreciates the invaluable work of Sri S. Vasudeva Rao, I.P.S (retd) in authoring the present work on the Rig Veda. As the author rightly says, the book involved considerable effort in understanding and distilling the meaning of the most significant Mantras of the

Veda, in consonance with the widely-accepted principles and traditions of interpretation laid down by pioneering acharyas.

This is a new light on rediscovering India's cultural heritage and will surely inspire our youth in pausing and looking back at the eternal source of guidance to followers of Hinduism in particular, and the rest of the world in general.

The Tirumala - Tirupati Devasthanams has been in the forefront of spreading Vedic wisdom to humanity over many years. I earnestly hope that this work proves of inestimable use to the youth and old alike in clarifying their vision and enhancing the quality of the spiritual and secular aspects of their life.

Om Tat Sat

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A PRELUDE

The Vedas form the very foundation of the spiritual philosophy of India since ancient times. They define the patterns of our cultural life and traditions. They are the repository of sacred wisdom of India. As is well-known, the Vedas are divine revelations perceived by ancient sages in their long, intense and deep meditation. The universal appeal of the Vedic texts and the profoundness of its messages make them a treasure trove of enlightenment for the entire humanity.

These Vedic instructions address both man's quest for self-knowledge and his cravings for material success and well-being. They are an oasis of eternal inspiration in the desert land of ephemeral life of worldliness. The sweep of the Vedas in influencing human destiny is the broadest of all sacred texts of yore.

The Rig Veda is indeed an ocean of wisdom in spiritual, philosophical, cultural, literary, historical and linguistic aspects of Indian society. Its pluralistic character is directly derived from the assimilation of diverse socio-cultural elements of a continuously evolving society. It is a rich tapestry of several strands of thinking that form the warp and woof of an ever-flowing civilization. Its determination to retain its

essential character even while welcoming new ideas and fusing them with its existing worldview is the hallmark of India as a collective entity. The embodiment of this spirit is best represented in the hymns of the Rig Veda. Sri S. Vasudeva Rao, the author of the present work in condensation of priceless ideas scattered across more than 10,000 Riks of the Rig Veda has done commendable service to the strengthening of the Vedic tradition. He brought together the most useful and inspiring Mantras with their precise meaning at one place. This helps spiritual aspirants to get a bird's eye view of the Great Text and easily absorb its essential tenets. When studied again and again, these are bound to transform the perspectives of a person and elevate them to a new plane. And when one is under pressure or other distractions, one finds this an instant source of solace and inspiration in reflecting on Atman and its umbilical connection with Divinity. This is more so for young minds who are buffeted by a variety of existential questions today. It is hoped that they will discover new horizons of a purposeful, rich and multi-faceted life in the pages of this outstanding work. Though the author, in all humility, has called the book, 'an introduction' to the quintessence of the Rig Veda, it is much more than that.

Now, let us have a look the contents of the book. The chief merit of the work lies in the incorporation

of the most essential of Riks along with a lucid explanation of the same. The vast range of the coverage is truly astounding.

Starting from the famous Gayatri Mantra, the compilation goes on to include Maha Mrithyunjaya Mantra and scores of other hymns of similar significance.

The Riks on four forms of Speech, the seven abodes of Lord Vishnu, the reference to the simily of two birds of the same species perched on a branch of the tree of life (Jivatma and Paramatma) are noteworthy. The virtue of following the simple and straight path in life is mentioned. The well-known Rik on the unity of Divinity despite its manifestation in various forms is included. So are several other Riks like these.

The oceanic wisdom of Goddess Saraswathi, access to Divine Grace, prayer for release from worldly bonds, the effulgent radiance of Ushas, the Goddess of dawn and prayer for conferring of wisdom and wealth on humanity are soul-stirring. Further, the importance of Divine favour for removal of obstacles to progress in life, prayer for strength and virtue, discipline and ability for hard work find mention in the work.

References to the power of Lord Agni and Lord Surya to confer welfare on humankind, the might of

all-conquering Lord Indra in crushing evil forces and the prayer for enjoyment of auspicious things in life are worthy of mentioning.

Prayer for bestowing of Nature's bounties on man, saving of humanity from calamities and disasters, shielding of man from commission of countless sins, practice of truth as a penance, and seeking inspiration for doing noble deeds in one's life are added.

So are the Divine favour for nourishment and availability of ample food, association with the good and elimination of wicked enemies in life.

The renowned Mantra on welcoming of noble ideas from all directions of the world even while sticking to one's roots in life is striking.

The Riks on peace and prosperity in life, dispelling of ignorance and illusions, grant of enduring happiness, safety and security, protection from the overpowering domination of cruel persons, conferring of sharp intellect and guidance for traversing the road to character are notable.

The identical reference to purity and unity of word, thought and deed, role of wisdom and maturity in life, longevity and simplicity of living, freedom from disease and untimely death, crossing of turbulent sea of worldly existence, immortality and the plea for boon of sweet speech are uplifting.

Allusion to Divine accord for good progeny, fulfilling of a plethora of human wishes, sanctification of actions, broad-mindedness and conquest of animosities are gratifying.

The Rik on God carrying man beyond legions of misconduct as a seasoned sailor does in ferrying travellers across a dangerous sea is particularly meaningful.

No less eloquent is man's implicit faith in God and his unquestioned obedience to heaven's commands.

Man's earnest entreaty for welfare of the progeny, the guardianship of God, imbuing good deeds of his with inspiration and forgiving him for his transgressions need specific mention.

Supplication to Supreme Being for safeguarding one against one's arrogance, ignorance, greediness and miserliness as well as offences against fellow human beings and God is also relevant.

Maintenance of harmony, friendship and trust between wife and husband, qualities expected of a new bride and her responsibilities in the new household after marriage demand serious attention from youth.

Attainment of four objects of life, forbearance, understanding the complex maze of this world are weaved into the work.

The purifying power of Lord Agni, His agency between divinities and man, divine inspiration for doing good deeds in one's life, avoidance of consequences of crimes committed by others on one and traversing the divine path to higher realms should be borne in mind.

The book encompasses other celebrated subjects too:

Avoidance of vices, not going astray in life, exercise of sound judgement, experiencing of Divine ecstasy, discerning of the difference between truth and falsehood, mitigation of misdeeds by performance of meritorious activities, God's support to man being akin to the use of a walking stick in old age, comparison of God's Grace to the spreading of wings by a bird in protection of its hatchlings, description of Divine protection as similar to the armour of a soldier engaged in war, practice of caution, vigilance and diligence as safeguards in life, criticality of wisdom like a sieve used for winnowing barley, possession of a soft heart, helping the feeble, reciprocity in life, sharing of wealth, interdependence and equality in life, importance of generosity, diversity of human beings, possession of a strong body and sound limbs, avoidance of evil thoughts, unity of minds and hearts, love and respect among people and the need for unified efforts for common progress.

As can be seen from above, the kaleidoscopic range of topics places the Rig Veda on a high pedestal among all ancient sacred texts. The author has succeeded in faithful rendering of these priceless messages in a simple and intelligible language for the benefit of youth and the old alike.

I feel privileged to be associated in publication of this foundational work in advancement of Vedic thought.

Om Tat Sat

- **Dr. Akella Vibhishana Sarma**

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MANDALA 1

1. स नः पितेव सूनवेऽग्ने सूपायनो भव।
सचस्वा नः स्वस्तये॥

**sa nah piteva sunave gne supayano bhava |
sacasva nah svastaye || 1.1.9**

O! Agni Deva (Lord of Fire!) Be easily approachable to us like father to his son. Be with us always and Look after our wellbeing.

2. महो अर्णः सरस्वती प्र चेतयति केतुना।
धियो विश्वा वि राजति॥

**maho arnah saraswati pra cetayati ketuna |
dhiyo visva vi rajati || 1.3.12**

May the great ocean of Wisdom, Goddess Saraswati illuminate our intellect and grant us a universal view of life and Cosmic order.

3. अतो देवा अवन्तु नो यतो विष्णुर्विचक्रमे।
पृथिव्याः सप्त धामभिः॥

**ato deva avantu no yato visnur vicakrame |
prthivyah sapta dhamabhih ||**

इदं विष्णुर्वि चक्रमे त्रेधा नि दधे पदम्।
समूळ्मस्य पांसुरे॥

**idam visnur vi cakrame tredha ni dadhe
padam |**

samulham asya pamsure ||

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त्रीणि पदा वि चक्रमे विष्णुर्गोपा अदाभ्यः।

अतो धर्माणि धारयन्॥

trini pada vi cakrame visnur gopa adabhyah |
ato dharmani dharayan ||

विष्णोः कर्माणि पश्यत यतो व्रतानि पस्पशे।

इन्द्रस्य युज्यः सखा॥

visnoh karmani pasyata yato vratani
paspase |

indrasya yujyah sakha ||

तद्विष्णोः परमं पदं सदा पश्यन्ति सूरयः।

दिवीव चक्षुराततम्॥

tad visnoh paramam padam sada pasyanti
surayah |

diviva caksur atatam ||

तद्विप्रासो विपन्यवो जागृवांसः समिन्धते।

विष्णोर्यत्परमं पदम् ॥

tad vipraso vipanyavo jagrvamsah sam
indhate|

visnor yat paramam padam ||

1.22.16,17,18,19,20&21

May all the Gods, led by Lord Vishnu, Who rules the world from His seven abodes, protect us. Lord Vishnu shows His infinite valour by covering the earth, space and heaven in three steps. His foot

in space remains hidden in particles of dust. The unconquerable Vishnu who traversed this world in three paces sustains this world by upholding righteousness. Behold the mighty deeds of Lord Vishnu through whose Grace people perform their activities and fulfill their vows. He is the worthy friend of Lord Indra. The seers contemplate on the supreme station of resplendent Lord Vishnu in heaven. The wise, who are ever vigilant and efficient, always praise that supreme station of Lord Vishnu.

4. स नो विश्वाहा सुक्रतुरादित्यः सुपथा करत्।
प्र ण आयूंषि तारिषत्॥

sa no visvaha sukratur adityah supatha
karat |

pra na ayumsi tarisat ||

उदुत्तमं मुमुग्धि नो वि पाशं मध्यमं चृता
अवाधमानि जीवसे॥

ud uttamam mumugdhi no vi pasam
madhyamam crta |
avadhamani jivase || 1.25.12&21

Varuna Deva, who does the best deeds and who is the son of Aditi, may keep us always in the right path. He may extend our life for the same.

Release us, for enduring life, from the upper, middle and lower bonds of the world.

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5. वेदा यो वीनां पदमन्तरिक्षेण पतताम्।
वेद नावः समुद्रियः॥

veda yo vinam padam antariksena patatam |
veda navah samudriyah ||

वेद वातस्य वर्तनिमुरोऋष्यस्य बृहतः।
वेदा ये अध्यासते॥

veda vatasya vartanim uror rsvasya brhatah |
veda ye adhyasate ||

स नो विश्वाहा सुक्रतुरादित्यः सुपथा करत्।
प्र ण आयूंषि तारिषत्॥

sa no visvaha sukratur adityah supatha
karat |
pra na ayumsi tarisat || 1.25.7,9&12

Varuna Deva knows the movements of the birds in the sky as well as those of the ships in ocean.

The Lord knows the path of vast, great and magnificent wind. And He knows the deities presiding over the wind as well.

Varuna, the son of Aditi who performs great deeds, may always inspire us to walk in the right path in life and prolong our lives.

6. समाने अहन्त्रिखद्यगोहना त्रिखद्य यज्ञं मधुना मिमिक्षतम्।
त्रिखवतीरिषो अश्विना युवं दोषा अस्मभ्यमुषसश्च
पिन्वतम्॥

samane ahan trir avadyagohana trir adya
yajnam madhuna mimiksatam |
trir vajavatir iso asvina yuvam dosa
asmabhyam usasas ca pinvatam ||

त्रिखर्तिर्यातं त्रिखनुव्रते जने त्रिः सुप्राव्ये त्रेधेव शिक्षतम्।
त्रिखान्द्यं वहतमश्विना युवं त्रिः पृक्षो अस्मे अक्षरेव पिन्वतम्॥

trir vartir yatam trir anuvrate jane trih
supravye tredheva siksatam |
trir nandyam vahatam asvina yuvam trih
prkso asme aksareva pinvatam ||

1.34.3&4

O! Ashwins! You may both rectify our faults thrice in the same day. Visit our place of rituals thrice in the same day and sweeten it with auspicious materials. Give us nourishing food thrice in the same day.

O! Ashwins! Visit our home thrice in the same day. You may also go among your other worshippers thrice. Enhance thrice the three kinds of wisdom in those to be protected the best. Bestow upon us auspicious things thrice in the same day. Grant us enduring items of food thrice in the same day and make us strong.

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7. त्रिनो रयिं वहतमश्विना युवं त्रिर्देवताता त्रिरुतावतं धियः।
त्रिः सौभगत्वं त्रिरुत श्रवांसि नस्त्रिष्टं वां सुरे दुहिता
रुहद्रथम् ॥

trir no rayim vahatam asvina yuvam trir
devatata trir utavatam dhiyah |
trih saubhagatvam trir uta sravamsi nas
tristham vam sure duhita ruhad ratham ||

आ नासत्या त्रिभिरेकादशैरिह देवेभिर्यातं मधुपेयमश्विना।
प्रायुस्तारिष्टं नी र्पांसि मृक्षतं सेधतं द्वेषो भवतं सचाभुवा॥

a nasatya tribhir ekadasair iha devebhir
yatam madhupeyam asvina |
prayus taristam ni rapamsi mrksatam
sedhatam dveso bhavatam sacabhuva ||

1.34.5&11

O! Ashwins! Confer riches on us thrice. Visit our place of rituals thrice. Guide our thoughts thrice. Bestow prosperity thrice upon us. Grant us fame thrice. The daughter of Sun has ascended the three-wheeled chariot of yours.

O! Ashwins! Come here thrice with the eleven deities for drinking sweet Soma juice at the place of sacrificial fire. Make the days of our life longer. Remove our sins and make us pure-hearted. Keep feelings of enmity away from us. Be with us forevermore.

8. सुगः पन्था अनृक्षर आदित्यास ऋतं यते।
नात्रावखादो अस्ति वः॥

**sugah pantha anrksara adityasa rtam yate |
natravakhado asti vah || 1.41.4**

The path of truth is easy and free from thorns.
By following it, you will never reap blameworthy or
evil fruits.

9. सं पूषन्नध्वनस्तिर व्यंहो विमुचो नपात्।
सक्ष्वा देव प्र णस्युरः॥

**sam pusann adhvanas tira vy amho vimuco
napat |**

saksva deva pra nas purah ||

यो नः पूषन्नघो वृको दुःशेव आदिदेशति।
अप स्म तं पथो जहि॥

**yo nah pusann agho vrko duhseva adidesati |
apa sma tam patho jahi ||**

अप त्वं परिपन्थिनं मुषीवाणं हुरश्चितम्।
दूरमधि स्रुतेरजा॥

**apa tyam paripanthinam musivanam
hurascitam |**

duram adhi sruter aja ||

त्वं तस्य द्वयाविनोऽघशंसस्य कस्य चित्।
पदाभि तिष्ठ तपुषिम्॥

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**tvam tasya dvayavino ghasamsasya kasya cit |
padabhi tistha tapusim ||**

**आ तत्ते दस्र मन्तुमः पूषन्नवो वृणीमहे।
येन पितृनचोदयः॥**

**a tat te dasra mantumah pusann avo vrnimahe |
yena pitrn acodayah || 1.42.1,2,3,4&5**

O! Liberating Pusan (Sun)! Help us traverse the road without obstruction. Aid us to overcome sin. Keep us forward and go ahead of us.

O! Pusan! Drive away cruel and wolf-like enemy who lies in wait for distracting us from the right path and is injuring us.

Chase away from our path the deceitful robber and cheat. Destroy him.

Trample upon the sinful and wicked with your feet and stand forth as our guard.

O! Wise Pusan! You always crush our enemies. We always seek your protective care that guarded and inspired our forefathers earlier.

10. **अथा नो विश्वसौभग हिरण्यवाशीमत्तमा**

धनानि सुषणा कृधि॥

**adha no visvasaubhaga hiranyavasimattama |
dhanani susana krdhi ||**

**अति नः सश्चतो नय सुगा नः सुपथा कृणु।
पूषन्निह क्रतुं विदः॥**

**ati nah sascato naya suga nah supatha krnu |
pusann iha kratum vidah ||**

**शग्धि पूर्धि प्र यंसि च शिशीहि प्रास्युदरम्।
पूषन्निह क्रतुं विदः॥**

**sagdhi purdhi pra yamsi ca sisihi prasy
udaram |
pusann iha kratum vidah || 1.42.6,7&9**

O! Pushan! You are Lord of all prosperity and You are adorned with golden equipment. Grant us wealth and munificence for sharing it with others.

Take us past all those that torment us. Lead us on the good and easy path in life. You are well aware of duties to be performed in this journey of ours.

O! Pushan! Be gracious to us. Keep us strong and vigorous. Bestow upon us all good things and grain in abundance. Make us sharp and radiant. Fill our bellies. You know how to protect us on this journey.

11. **ये चिद्धि त्वामृषयः पूर्व ऊतये जुहूरेऽवसे महि।
सा नः स्तोमाँ अभि गृणीहि राधसोषः शुक्रेण शोचिषा॥**
- ye cid dhi tvam rsayah purva utaye juhure
vase mahi |
sa nah stomam abhi grnihi radhasosah
sukrena socisa ||**

उषो यदद्य भानुना वि द्वारावृणवो दिवः।

प्र नो यच्छतादवृकं पृथु च्छर्दिः प्र देवि गोमतीरिषः॥

uso yad adya bhanuna vi dvarav rnavo divah |

pra no yacchatad avrkam prthu cchardih

pra devi gomatir isah ||

सं नो राया बृहता विश्वपेशसा मिमिक्ष्वा समिळाभिरा।

सं द्युम्नेन विश्वतुरोषो महि सं वाजैर्वाजिनीवति॥

sam no raya brhata visvapeshasa mimiksva

sam ilabhir a |

sam dyumnena visvatusoso mahi sam vajair

vajinivati || 1.48.14,15&16

O! Adorable and Effulgent Usha Devi! The ancient sages always invoked you for their food and protection. Be pleased with us. Praise our good works and inspire us thus to excel even more.

O! Usha Devi! You have today opened the two gates of heaven with your radiance. Give us a peaceful, bright and big place of habitation. May we also have a wealth of cattle and food!

O! Usha Devi! Be kind to bestow on us vast and most delightful wealth. Give us foe-confounding radiance and fame. Grant us ample amounts of nourishing food and cattle that always sustain us.

12. अश्वावतीर्गोमतीर्विश्वसुविदो भूरि च्यवन्त वस्तवे।
उदीरय प्रति मा सूनृता उषश्चोद राधो मघोनाम्॥

asvavatir gomatir visvasuvido bhuri
cyavanta |
ud iraya prati ma sunrta usas coda radho
maghonam ||

उषो ये ते प्र यामेषु युञ्जते मनो दानाय सूरयः।
अत्राह तत्कण्व एषां कण्वतमो नाम गृणाति नृणाम्॥
uso ye te pra yamesu yunjate mano danaya
surayah |
atraha tat kanva esam kanvatamo nama
grnati nrnam ||

आ घा योषेव सूनर्युषा याति प्रभुञ्जती।
जरयन्ती वृजनं पद्वदीयत उत्पातयति पक्षिणः॥
a gha yoseva sunary usa yati prabhunjati |
jarayanti vrjanam padvad iyata ut patayati
paksinah || 1.48.2,4&5

In the glorious company of horses and cows, the resplendent divinities of morning led by Usha bestow upon people several beneficial things for their living. O! Usha! Speak to us kind words. Confer upon us great wealth.

Those persons who donate money generously and who do good deeds at the time of dawn are blessed by gods with the best of intelligence and wisdom. Their intellect will be razor-sharp.

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Usha is like an ideal housewife. She looks after everyone and makes everyone strong. On Her arrival, everyone get engaged in their activities. Birds also fly away.

13. वि या सृजति समनं व्यर्थिनः पदं न वेत्योदती।

वयो नकिष्टे पत्निवांस आसते व्युष्टौ वाजिनीवति।।

vi ya srjati samanam vy arthinah padam na
vety odati |
vayo nakis te paptivamsa asate vyustau
vajinivati ||

एषायुक्त परावतः सूर्यस्योदयनादधि।

शतं रथेभिः सुभगोषा इयं वि यात्यभि मानुषान्।।

esayukta paravatah suryasyodayanad adhi |
satam rathebhiih subhagosa iyam vi yaty
abhi manusan ||

विश्वमस्या नानाम चक्षसे जगज्ज्योतिष्कृणोति सूनरी।

अप द्वेषो मघोनी दुहिता दिव उषा उच्छदप स्निधः।।

visvam asya nanama caksase jagaj jyotis
krnoti sunari |
apa dveso maghoni duhita diva usa ucchad
apa sridhah || 1.48.6,7&8

Yogis rise early and do their spiritual practice at dawn. Those who desire wealth also get up early and do their labor. The radiant Usha gives life to all. The early morning breeze sustains us. As the dawn

breaks, even birds do not sit in their nests. They take flight.

Usha receives her beams from beyond the plane of rising Sun.

Borne on a hundred auras of glory, the auspicious dawn advances on her way in different directions. She comes to humans and makes them prosperous. That is why the whole world offers salutations to Usha when they see the dawn. On Her arrival, all are engaged in their respective responsibilities and duties. And Usha, coming from heavens, thus keeps away the malevolent enemies from harming mankind.

O! Heavenly Maid Usha! Endowed with pleasant radiance, come down to this earth and dispel our darkness. With Your effulgence, may we, the worshippers, find our livelihood and acquire the best of wealth.

14. उष आ भाहि भानुना चन्द्रेण दुहितर्दिवः।

आवहन्ती भूर्यस्मभ्यं सौभगं व्युच्छन्ती दिविष्टिषु॥

usa a bhahi bhanuna candrena duhitar divah |

avahanti bhury asmabhyam saubhagam

vyucchanti divistisu ||

विश्वस्य हि प्राणनं जीवनं त्वे वि यदुच्छसि सूनरि।

सा नो रथेन बृहता विभावरि श्रुधि चित्रामघे हवम्॥

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**visvasya hi prananam jivanam tve vi yad
ucchasi sunari |
sa no rathena brhata vibhavari srudhi
citramaghe havam ||**

**यस्या रुशन्तो अर्चयः प्रति भद्रा अदृक्षता
सा नो रयिं विश्ववारं सुपेशसमुषा ददातु सुगम्यम्॥**

**yasya rusanto arcayah prati bhadra
adrksata |
sa no rayim visvavaram supesam usa
dadatu sugmyam || 1.48.9,10&13**

O! Heavenly Maid Usha! Come down on this earth with your pleasant radiance and dispel our darkness. Grant us the best of wealth and prosperity.

When You arrive and activate all the works in the world, all beings come alive. O! Radiant Usha Devi! Come down on the earth in your great chariot and with your unique wealth. Listen to our earnest prayers.

May Usha Devi, whose rays are auspicious and beneficial to all living beings, bring us desirable, good and fruitful riches!

15. उदु त्वं जातवेदसं देवं वहन्ति केतवः।
दृशे विश्वाय सूर्यम्॥

**ud u tyam jatavedasam devam vahanti |
drse visvaya suryam ||**

अप त्ये तायवो यथा नक्षत्रा यन्त्यक्तुभिः।
सूराय विश्वचक्षसे।

apa tye tayavo yatha naksatra yanty aktubhih |
suraya visvacaksase ||

अदृश्रमस्य केतवो वि रश्मयो जनाँ अनु॥
भ्राजन्तो अग्नयो यथा॥

adrsram asya ketavo vi rasmayo janam anu |
bhrajanto agnayo yatha ||

तरणिर्विश्वदर्शतो ज्योतिष्कृदसि सूर्या।
विश्वमा भासि रोचनम्॥

taranir visvadarsato jyotiskrd asi surya |
visvam a bhasi rocanam || 1.50.1,2,3&4

In order to light up the whole world, the omniscient and effulgent Sun who knows the activities of all, rises in the East.

With the Sun rise, the night and stars disappear just as thieves vanish at daybreak.

The bright and brilliant rays of Sun, akin to Lord of Fire, announce His arrival to mankind.

Lord Surya, the Sun God who sees the whole world and who is its source of physical and spiritual light moves at great speed. He illuminates the whole firmament.

(Sayanacharya, the great commentator on the Vedas, while explaining this passage, aptly says Surya

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Deva is the supreme spirit and enables all beings who seek final emancipation, to pass over the ocean of existence.)

16. वि द्यामेषि रजस्पृथ्वहा मिमानो अक्तुभिः।
पश्यञ्जन्मानि सूर्या॥

vi dyam esi rajas prthv aha mimano aktubhih |
pasyan janmani surya ||

उद्वयं तमसस्परि ज्योतिष्पश्यन्त उत्तरम्।
देवं देवत्रा सूर्यमगन्म ज्योतिरुत्तमम्॥

ud vayam tamasas pari jyotis pasyanta
uttaram |
devam devatra suryam aganma jyotir
uttamam ||

उद्यन्नद्य मित्रमह आरोहन्नुत्तरां दिवम्।
हृद्रोगं मम सूर्य हरिमाणं च नाशय॥

udyann adya mitramaha arohann uttaram
divam |
hdrogam mama surya harimanam ca
nasaya ||

उदगादयमादित्यो विश्वेन सहसा सह।
द्विषन्तं मह्यं रन्धयन्मो अहं द्विषते रधम्॥

ud agad ayam adityo visvena sahasa saha |
dvisantam mahyam randhayan mo aham
dvisate radham || 1.50.7,10,11&13

Lord Surya, the Sun-God after rising in the East and moving forward, looks at the work of all Gods, men and all other beings in the world. And while on the move, He keeps showering His blessings on the mankind.

Lord Surya is the most effulgent Light of lights and the greatest of divinities. Rising high in the firmament, He dispels all darkness and spreads radiance everywhere. All things are sanctified by His rays.

O! Effulgent Surya Deva! You are our Benefactor! Rising and moving onto North, You cure me of my heart, jaundice and such other related diseases.

The resplendent and mighty Lord Surya, rising high in the East, hands the hateful enemies into our hand. We May never fall prey to our foes.

17. असमं क्षत्रमसमा मनीषा प्र सोमपा अपसा सन्तु नेमे।
ये त इन्द्र ददुषो वर्धयन्ति महि क्षत्रं स्थविरं वृष्ण्यं च॥

asamam ksatram asama manisa pra
somapa apasa santu neme |
ye ta indra daduso vardhayanti mahi
ksatram sthaviram vrsnyam ca ||

स शेवृधमधि धा द्युम्नमस्मे महि क्षत्रं जनाषाळिन्द्र तव्यम्।
रक्षा च नो मघोनः पाहि सूरीन्नाये च नः स्वपत्या इषे धाः॥

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**sa sevrddham adhi dha dyumnam asme mahi
ksatram janasal indra tavyam |
raksa ca no maghonah pahi surin raye ca
nah svapatya ise dhah || 1.54.8&11**

O! Lord Indra! Your valour and wisdom are unequalled. The man who gives oblations to You in sacrificial fire enchances Your strength, greatness and capability. The person who praises You and partakes Soma juice will increase his prosperity through Your Grace and his efforts.

O! Lord Indra! You may confer upon us great fame and praiseworthy strength for defeating our enemies, make us wealthy and look after us. You may also protect the wise and the good. Grant us wealth and food in ample measure for enabling us to beget good children.

18. यूयं तत्सत्यशवस आविष्कर्त महित्वना।
विध्यता विद्युता रक्षः॥

**yuyam tat satyasavasa avis karta mahitvana |
vidhyata vidyuta raksah ||**

गूहता गुह्यं तमो वि यात विश्वमत्रिणम्।
ज्योतिष्कर्ता यदुश्मसि॥

**guhata guhyam tamo vi yata visvam atrinam |
jyotis karta yad usmasi || 1.86.9&10**

O Maruts! Ye of the strength of truth! Manifest Your greatness. Strike the evil forces with Your radiant power.

Dispel the horrid darkness from the cave of our life. Drive the devouring foes far away from us. Show us the light we long for.

19. आ नो भद्राः क्रतवो यन्तु विश्वतोऽदब्धासो अपरीतास
उद्भिदः।
देवा नो यथा सदमिद्वृधे असन्नप्रायुवो रक्षितारो दिवेदिवे॥
**a no bhadrah kratavo yantu visvato
dabdhaso aparitasa udbhidah |
deva no yatha sadam id vrdhe asann
aprayuvo rakitaro dive-dive || 1.89.1**

Let auspicious works, that take us, unimpeded and unmolested, to a higher level in life, come to us from all sides. May the gods, that do not obstruct our progress but grant protection to us day by day, be ever with us for our advancement.

20. देवानां भद्रा सुमतिर्ऋयतां देवानां रातिरभि नो नि वर्तताम्।
देवानां सख्यमुप सेदिमा वयं देवा न आयुः प्र तिरन्तु
जीवसे॥
**devanam bhadra sumatir rjuyatam devanam
ratir abhi no ni vartatam |
devanam sakhyam upa sedima vayam deva
na ayah pra tirantu jivase || 1.89.2**

O Gods! May we hear with our ears what is auspicious! May we see with our eyes what is auspicious! May we live life of satisfaction with

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strong limbs and healthy body! May we praise the Lord during the span of life granted to us by Gods!

21. तमीशानं जगतस्तस्थुषस्पतिं धियंजिन्वमवसे हूमहे वयम्।
पूषा नो यथा वेदसामसद्वृधे रक्षिता पायुरदब्धः स्वस्तये॥

**tam isanam jagatas tasthusas patim
dhiyamjinvam avase humahe vayam |
pusa no yatha vedasam asad vrdhe raksita
payuradabhah svastaye ||**

स्वस्ति न इन्द्रो वृद्धश्रवाः स्वस्ति नः पूषा विश्ववेदाः।
स्वस्ति नस्तार्क्ष्यो अरिष्टनेमिः स्वस्ति नो बृहस्पतिर्दधातु॥

**svasti na indro vrddhasravah svasti nah
pusa visvavedah |
svasti nas tarksyo aristanemih svasti no
brhaspatir dadhatu || 1.89.5&6**

May we invoke the Lord of the movable and non-movable in the world, and the One that propels our intellect, for sustaining us. Let us pray to Him alone. May such unconquerable Lord, Pushan, nourish us, increase our wealth and strengthen our well-being! May the most famed Lord Indra, the all-knowing Lord Pushan, Lord Tarkshya, with unimpeded chariot-wheels and Lord Brihaspati protect us and take care of our welfare and happiness!

22. भद्रं कर्णेभिः शृणुयाम देवा भद्रं पश्येमाक्षभिर्यजत्राः।
स्थिरैरङ्गैस्तुष्टुवांसस्तनूभिर्व्यशेम देवहितं यदायुः॥

**bhadram karnebhih srnuyama deva
bhadram pasyemaksabhir yajatrah |
sthirair angais tustuvamsas tanubhir vy
asema devahitam yad ayuh || 1.89.8**

May the auspicious favour of the Gods be ours!
May the bounty of the righteous Gods descend on
us!

We have devoutly sought the friendship of the
Gods. May Gods extend our life that we may live!

23. मधु वाता ऋतायते मधु क्षरन्ति सिन्धवः।
माध्वीर्नः सन्त्वोषधीः॥

**madhu vata rtayate madhu ksaranti
sindhavah |
madhvir nah santv osadhih ||**

मधु नक्तमुतोषसो मधुमत्पार्थिवं रजः।
मधु द्यौरस्तु नः पिता॥

**madhu naktam utosaso madhumat
parthivam rajah |
madhu dyaur astu nah pita ||**

मधुमान्नो वनस्पतिर्मधुमाँ अस्तु सूर्यः।
माध्वीर्गावो भवन्तु नः॥

**madhuman no vanaspatir madhumam astu
suryah |
madhvir gavo bhavantu nah ||**

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शं नो मित्रः शं वरुणः शं नो भवत्वयमा।
शं न इन्द्रो बृहस्पतिः शं नो विष्णुरुक्रमः॥

**sam no mitrah sam varunah sam no bhavtv
aryama |
sam na indro brhaspatih sam no visnur
urukramaha || 1.90.6 7,8&9**

May the winds bring sweetness to us! May sweetness flow in river waters! May the herbs yield sweetness to us! May day and night be sweet.

May the Earth be full of sweetness! May the protective heaven be sweet to us. May the ghee be full of sweetness! May the Sun be imbued with sweetness! May the cattle be sweet to us! May Lord Mitra be favourable to us! May Lord Varuna and Lord Aryaman be supportive of us! May Lord Indra and Deva guru Brihaspati be kind to us! And may Lord Vishnu with infinite power, bless us.

24. त्वं सोम प्र चिकितो मनीषा त्वं रजिष्ठमनु नेषि पन्थाम्।
तव प्रणीती पितरो न इन्द्रो देवेषु रत्नमभजन्त धीराः॥

**tvam soma pra cikito manisa tvam
rajistham anu nesi pantham |
tava praniti pitaro na indo devesu ratnam
abhajanta dhirah ||**

गयस्फानो अमीवहा वसुवित्युष्टिवर्धनः।
सुमित्रः सोम नो भव।।

**gayasphano amivaha vasuvit pustivardhanah |
sumitrah soma no bhava ||**

उरुष्या णो अभिशस्तेः सोम नि पाह्यंहसः।
सखा सुशेव एधि नः॥

**urusya no abhisasteh soma ni pahy amhasah |
sakha suseva edhi nah || 1.91.1,12&15**

O! Lord Soma! You are famous as wise and intellegent. You take every one on this earth in the straight and simple path. Under Your guidance, our forefathers acted wisely and obtained wonderful wealth and joys among gods in the heaven.

O! Lord Soma! May You direct our intellect and discrimination! May You remove all our diseases! May You grant us great wealth! May You nourish us! May You be the best of our friends!

May You protect us from evil speech! May You save us from sin! May You be pleased with our service and be our friend!

25. उरुष्या णो अभिशस्तेः सोम नि पाह्यंहसः।
सखा सुशेव एधि नः॥

**urusya no abhisasteh soma in pahy amhasah |
sakha suseva edhi naha || 1.91.15**

Protect us, Soma, from calumny. Preserve us from sin; pleased with our service, be our friend.

26. त्वं सोम क्रतुभिः सुक्रतुर्भूस्त्वं दक्षैः सुदक्षो विश्ववेदाः।
त्वं वृषा वृषत्वेभिर्महित्वा द्युम्नेभिर्द्युम्यभवो नृचक्षाः॥

**tvam soma kratubhih sukratur bhus
daksaih sudakso visvavedah |
tvam vrsa vrsatvebhir mahitva dyumnebhir
dyummy abhavo nrcaksah ||**

त्वं सोमासि सत्यतिस्त्वं राजोत वृत्रहा।
त्वं भद्रो असि क्रतुः॥

**tvam somasi satpatis tvam rajota vrtraha |
tvam bhadro asi kratuh ||**

त्वं च सोम नो वशो जीवातुं न मरामहे।
प्रियस्तोत्रो वनस्पतिः॥

**tvam ca soma no vaso jivatum na maramahe |
priyastotro vanaspatih || 1.91,2,5&6**

O! Lord Soma! By virtue of doing many good works, You are famous as glorious performer of great deeds. By virtue of being Omniscient, You are hailed as the most intelligent and wise. By reason of possessing several powers, You are worshipped as the strongest of all. You are the guardian of mankind and You shower bounties on them.

You are the sovereign of the pious and good. You are the slayer of Vritra. And You are the holy sacrificial fire.

O! Lord Soma! You are the praiseworthy medicinal herb for sustaining us. If You are kind and favourable to us, we may live long.

27. त्वं सोम महे भगं त्वं यून् ऋतायते।
दक्षं दधासि जीवसे॥

tvam soma mahe bhagam tvam yuna rtayate |
daksam dadhasi jivase ||

त्वं नः सोम विश्वतो रक्षा राजन्नघायतः।
न रिष्येत्त्वावतः सखा॥

tvam nah soma visvato raksa rajann
aghayatah |
na risyet tvavatah sakha ||

आ प्यायस्व मदिन्तम सोम विश्वेभिरंशुभिः।
भवा नः सुश्रवस्तमः सखा वृधे॥

a pyayasva madintama soma visvebhir
amsubhih |
bhava nah susravastamah sakha vrdhe ||

1.91.7,8&17

Somadeva! You confer upon the young and old devotees who abide by law, happiness and energy for a long life.

O! King Soma! Protect us from dangerous and sinful enemies from all sides. The devotee who is secure because of you will not face injury, harm or destruction from anyone.

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May Somadeva who enhances the joy and happiness of His devotees grow even more radiant and powerful in all aspects. May the glorious and famous God, Soma, be the greatest benefactor and friend of us! May He cause us to grow in prosperity.

28. जातवेदसे सुनवाम सोममरातीयतो नि दहाति वेदः।
सनः पर्षदति दुर्गाणि विश्वा नावेव सिन्धुं दुरितात्यग्निः॥
jatavedase sunavama somam aratiyato ni
dahati vedah |
sa nah parsad ati durgani visva naveva
sindhum duritaty agnihi || 1.99.1

We offer oblations of Soma rasa juice to the Omnipresent Lord Agni. May He consume those who feel enmity against us. May He transport us over the most severe difficulties and sorrows of ours, like a boat that carries people across the ocean. May He keep us free from sins.

29. इन्द्रं मित्रं वरुणमग्निमूतये मारुतं शर्धो अदितिं हवामहे।
रथं न दुर्गाद्वसवः सुदानवो विश्वस्मान्नो अंहसो निष्पिपर्तन॥
indram mitram varunam agnim utaye
marutam sardho aditim havamahe |
ratham na durgad vasavah sudanavo
visvasman no amhaso nis pipartana ||

बृहस्पते सदमिन्नः सुगं कृधि शं योर्यत्ते मनुर्हितं तदीमहे।
रथं न दुर्गाद्वसवः सुदानवो विश्वस्मान्नो अंहसो निष्पिपर्तन॥

**brhaspate dadam in nah sugam krdhi sam
yor yat te manurhitam tad imahe |
ratham na durgad vasavah sudanavo
visvasman no amhaso nis pipartana ||**

**देवैर्नो देव्यदितिर्नि पातु देवस्त्राता त्रायतामप्रयुच्छन्।
तन्नो मित्रो वरुणो मामहन्तामहितिः सिन्धुः पृथिवी उत
द्व्यौः॥**

**devair no devy aditir ni patu devas trata
trayatam aprayucchan |
tan no mitro varuno mamahantam aditih
sindhuh prthivi uta dyauh || 1.106.1,5&7**

For our protection, we pray for the aid and assistance of Indra, Mitra, Varuna, Agni, Maruts and Aditi. May the Gods known for their munificence, save us from sins and pull us out of our crises just as one extricates the chariot from a dangerous ravine.

O! Lord Brihaspati! Make our path always simple and smooth. We seek from You those resources of aid You have, for conferring happiness and keeping sorrow away from humanity. Be kind enough to grant the same to us. O generous Vasus, pull us out of troubles and crises just as one extricates the chariot from a dangerous ravine.

Goddess Aditi may, along with other gods, confer protection upon us. All the guardian Gods, without disregard, may protect us.

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Mitra, Varuna, Aditi, Sindhu, and Prithvi may aid us in fulfilling this aim of ours.

30. इदं श्रेष्ठं ज्योतिषां ज्योतिरागाच्चित्रः प्रकेतो अजनिष्ट
विभ्वा।

यथा प्रसूता सवितुः सवायं एवा रात्र्युषसे योनिमारैक्।।

idam srestham jyotisam jyotir agac citrah
praketo ajanista vibhva |
yatha prasuta savituh savayam eva ratry
usase yonim araik ||

रुशद्वत्सा रुशती श्वेत्यागादारैगु कृष्णा सदनान्यस्याः।

समानबन्धू अमृते अनूची द्यावा वर्णं चरत आमिनाने।।

rusadvatsa rusati svetyagad araign u krsna
sadanany asyah |
samanabandhu amrte anuci dyava varnam
carata aminane ||

समानो अध्वा स्वस्त्रोरनन्तस्तमन्यान्या चरतो देवशिष्टे।

न मेथेते न तस्थतुः सुमेके नक्तोषासा समनसा विरूपे।।

samano adhva svasror anantas tam anyanya
carato devasiste |
na methete na tasthatuh sumeke naktosasa
samanasa virupe || 1.113.1,2&3

The most effulgent and wonderful of all effulgences, Ushas, the dawn, emerges in the sky. This is unique and divine radiance that imparts wisdom to us. The Sun takes birth from the womb

of night. Just before the dawn appears on the horizon, the night vacates the sky and yields place to Her. Such a brilliant Ushas brings divine light along with Her. We may all see this radiant Light that wakes us up and spreads cheer all around.

This Ushas along with the infant Sun in Her lap appears in the Eastern sky. Seeing arrival of Ushas, the dark night seeks her own abode. The ideal and benevolent mother Ushas, nurses the Sun with affection. The night and dawn, akin to each other, are immortal. The two radiant divinities follow one after the other, and each efface the other's complexion while traversing the heavens.

The path of both the sisters, night and dawn is the same and unending. The two sisters, ordained by Supreme Being, keep alternating in their journey. Though both are of opposite colours and forms, they are of one mind and keep the best of friendship.

They never stand still and they do not come in the way of the other.

31. भास्वती नेत्री सूनृतानामचेति चित्रा वि दुरो न आवः।
प्रार्प्या जगद्व्यु नो रायो अख्यदुषा अजीगर्भुवनानि विश्वा॥
bhasvati netri sunrtanam aceti citra vi duro
na avah |
prarpya jagad vy u no rayo akhyad usa
ajigar bhuvanani visva ||

क्षत्राय त्वं श्रवसे त्वं महीया इष्टये त्वमर्थमिव त्वमित्यै।
विसदृशा जीविताभिप्रचक्ष उषा अजीगर्भुवनानि विश्वा॥

ksatraya tvam sravase tvam mahiya istaye
tvam artham iva tvam ityai |
visadrsha jivitabhipracaksa usa ajigar
bhuvanani visva ||

एषा दिवो दुहिता प्रत्यदर्शि व्युच्छन्ती युवतिः शुक्रवासाः।
विश्वस्येशाना पार्थिवस्य वस्व उषो अद्येह सुभगे व्युच्छ॥

esa divo duhita praty adarsi vyucchanti
yuvatih sukravasah |
visvasyesana parthivasya vasva uso adyeha
subhage vy uccha || 1.113.4,6&7

This resplendent Goddess Usha that shows right path to all and directs all good deeds, rises and becomes manifest in the sky. The most unique and heavenly Usha opens our doors. She lights up the entire world and awakens all living beings. And She illuminates the sources of prosperity for our benefit.

Goddess Usha, the Dawn, arouses warriors to get ready for war-related preparations, priests for sacred-fire related activities, workers for earning their food, the prominent for winning fame, the mercantile class for acquisition of wealth and various other classes of people for their respective vocations.

She lights up the entire world and awakens all.

This daughter of heaven, Usha, dispelling all darkness, appears in the sky. The young Goddess Usha, in splendorous apparel, commands all the treasures of this world. O! Most auspicious Usha! Come and shine upon us today.

32. यत्रा सुपर्णा अमृतस्य भागमनिमेषं विदथाभिस्वरन्ति।
इनो विश्वस्य भुवनस्य गोपाः स मा धीरः पाकमत्रा विवेश॥
yatra suparna amrtasya bhagam animesam
vidathabhisvaranti |
ino visvasya bhuvanasya gopah sa ma
dhirah pakam atra vivesa ||
यस्मिन्वृक्षे मध्वदः सुपर्णा निविशन्ते सुवते चाधि विश्वे।
तस्येदाहुः पिप्पलं स्वाद्वग्रे तन्नोन्नशद्यः पितर न वेदा॥
yasmin vrkse madhvadah suparna nivisante
suvate cadhi visve |
tasyed ahuh pippalam svadv agre tan non
nasad yah pitaram na veda || 1.164.21&22

Two well-plumed birds that live together and are good friends reside on the same tree. One eats the sweet fruits of the tree while the other looks on as a witness. One is Jivatma (Self) and the other, the witness, is Paramatma (supreme Being).

The living beings that reside in this tree-like world and eat fruits thereof sing praises of the Immortal Lord who protects all the worlds. The most-wise Lord enters the minds of the ignorant and enlightens them.

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The living beings drink the nectar of life in this world. Those fruits of the sweetest kind, available at higher branches, are, however, accessible only to the best of men who have Divine Grace.

33. न वि जानामि यदि वेदमस्मि निण्यः संनद्धो मनसा
चरामि।
यदा मागन्नथमजा ऋतस्यादिद्वाचो अशुवे भागमस्याः॥
na vi janami yad ivedam asmi ninyah
sannaddho manasa carami |
yada magan prathamaja rtasyad id vaco
asnuve bhagam asyah || 1.164.37

It is not evident as to whom I resemble. Despite being locked in this body, the Atman (Self) makes a lot movements through the mind. When the primordial Parabrahman (supreme Being) that pre-exists Truth comes close to me, I gain access to that part of the Divine that manifests Itself as Its Voice.

34. चत्वारि वाक्परिमिता पदानि तानि विदुर्ब्राह्मणा ये मनीषिणः।
गुहा त्रीणि निहिता नेङ्गयन्ति तुरीयं वाचो मनुष्या वदन्ति॥
catvari vak parimita padani tani vidur
brahmana ye manisinah |
guha trini nihita nengayanti turiyam vaco
manusya vadanti || 1.164.45

Speech or Vac is measured out in four forms and at four levels: Para, Pashyanthi, Madhyama and Vaikhari. The first three of them remain hidden and

inaudible within us. The wisest alone know all the four, while common men know only the last one, Vaikhari.

Para lies at the deepest level and is verily the unmanifest Supreme Being in the form of Sabda Brahman. It is pure consciousness.

Pashyanti is the latent, unspoken thought that springs from the Unmanifest and is visualized, within Self, by seers. It is the internal intent of speech. And when this transforms itself into an intellectual process in the form of thoughts in mind, it is called Madyama. In this intermediate stage, words give shape to thoughts arrayed in sequence. It is a pre-vocal, internal speech or voice of silence. Vaikhari is the articulated speech-the verbal expression of thoughts. It is the spoken word. This is one of the most mystic mantras of the Rig Veda and is interpreted variously.

The above is a simple explanation for a common man. Speech is indeed indivisible and the above gradations are not water-tight.

The Vedic philosophy here is foundational while the Western approach to phonetics seems limited.

35. इन्द्रं मित्रं वरुणमग्निमाहुरथो दिव्यः स सुपर्णो गरुत्मान्।
एकं सद्विप्रा बहुधा वदन्त्यग्निं यमं मातरिश्वानमाहुः॥

**indram mitram varunam agnim ahur atho
divyah sa suparno garutman |
ekam sad vipra bahudha vadanty agnim
yamam matarisvanam ahuh || 1.164.46**

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The Divinity is One. The sages call It by varied names like Indra, Mitra, Varuna, Agni and well-winged Garutman.

36. अग्ने नय सुपथा राये अस्मान्निश्वानि देव वयुनानि विद्वान्।
युयोध्यस्मज्जुहुराणमेनो भूयिष्ठां ते नमउक्तिं विधेम॥

**agne naya supatha raye asman visvani deva
vayunani vidvan |
yuyodhy asmaj juhuranam eno bhuyistham
te namauktim vidhema || 1.189.1**

O Most Effulgent Lord Agni, God of Fire! Take us only in the best path for earning of wealth. You know all our deeds. Keep us away from deceit and cunningness.

Bowing down to the Supreme Lord again and again is the only salvation for us from countless sins committed by us day in and day out.

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37. त्वामग्ने पितरमिष्टिभिर्नरस्त्वां भ्रात्राय शम्या तनूरुचम्।
त्वं पुत्रो भवसि यस्तेऽविधत्त्वं सखा सुशेवः पास्याधृषः॥

tvam agne pitaram istibhir naras tvam
bhratraya samya tanurucam |
tvam putro bhavasi yas te vidhat tvam sakha
susevah pasy adhrsah ||

त्वामग्ने सुभृत उत्तमं वयस्तव स्पार्हे वर्ण आ संदृशि श्रियः।
त्वं वाजः प्रतरणो बृहन्नसि त्वं रयिर्बहुलो विश्वतस्पृथुः॥

tvam agne subhrta uttamam vayas tava
sparhe varna a samdrsi sriyah |
tvam vajah pratarano brhann asi tvam rayir
bahulo visvatas prthuh ||

त्वामग्न आदित्यास आस्यं त्वां जिह्वां शुचयश्चक्रिरे कवे।
त्वां रातिषाचो अध्वरेषु सश्चिरे त्वे देवा हविरदन्त्याहुतम्॥

tvam agne adityasa asyam tvam jihvam
sucayas cakrire kave |
tvam ratisaco adhvareshu sascire tve deva
havir adanty ahutam ||

2.1.9,12&13

O! Agni Deva (Lord of Fire)! Men worshiping you as father that looks after welfare of all, offer oblations in fire rituals for Your satisfaction. With acts of kindness, they cherish You, the illuminator of their bodies, as a brother.

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You become a son to those serve and propitiate you. You protect all those that worship You sincerely, as a firm and faithful friend.

When You are well-cherished, You are the most nourishing and the vital food for Your worshippers. Prosperity lies in Your beautiful and brilliant hues. You confer abundance of all things on your worshippers. You save them from their sins. You are unequalled in greatness. Your power to grant wealth and prosperity on people is manifold, diffused and all-encompassing.

O! Agni Deva! The Adityas have made you their face. The sacred Gods have made You, the visionary, their tongue. In the sacrificial fire, all gods take shelter and support of Agni Deva and accept holy offerings through Him.

38. दा नो अग्ने बृहतो दाः सहस्रिणो दुरो न वाजं श्रुत्या अपा
वृधि
प्राची द्यावापृथिवी ब्रह्मणा कृधि स्वर्णं शुक्रमुषसो वि
दिद्युतः॥

da no agne brhato dah sahasrino duro na
vajam srutya apa vrdhi |
praci dyavaprthivi brahmana krdhi svar na
sukram usaso vi didyutah ||

एवा नो अग्ने अमृतेषु पूर्व्यं धीष्णीपाय बृहद्दिवेषु मानुषा।
दुहाना धेनुर्वृजनेषु कारवे त्मना शतिनं पुरुरूपमिषणि॥

**eva no agne amrtesu purvya dhis pipaya
brhaddivesu manusa |
duhana dhenur vrjanesu karave tmana
satinam pururupam isani ||**

**उभयासो जातवेदः स्याम ते स्तोतारो अग्ने सूर्यश्च शर्मणि।
वस्वो रायः पुरुश्चन्द्रस्य भूयसः प्रजावतः स्वपत्यस्य शग्धि
नः॥**

**ubhayaso jatavedah syama te stotaro agne
surayas ca sarmani |
vasvo rayah puruscandrasya bhuyasah
prajavatah svapatyasya sagdhi nah ||
2.2.7,9&12**

O! Agni Deva (Fire-God)! Grant us great prosperity. Give us a thousand kinds of wealth. For enhanced fame, keep the doors of food wide open for us. For wisdom, make earth and heaven favorable to us.

The brilliant rays of dawn make you effulgent like the Sun.

O! Agni Deva! Among the splendid gods, You are the best and most effulgent. Among men, our praise, thus, celebrates You and makes you gratified. Like the celestial cow that spontaneously yields desires of people, You may grant those who propitiate You at sacred rituals, various kinds of wealth and riches.

Agni Deva, the embodiment of wisdom, knows all that is born. We, both Your adorers and priests,

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seek Your shelter for our well-being. Bestow upon us, a great wealth of pleasant dwellings, cattle, servants, gold, riches, and virtuous offspring.

39. श्रेष्ठं यविष्ठ भारताग्ने द्युमन्तमा भरा
वसो पुरुस्पृहं रयिम्॥

srestham yavistha bharatagne dyumantama
bhara |

vaso purusprham rayim ||

मा नो अरातिरीशत देवस्य मर्त्यस्य च।
पर्षि तस्या उत द्विषः॥

ma no aratir isata devasya martyasya ca |
parshi tasya uta dvisah ||

विश्वा उत त्वया वयं धारा उदन्या इव।
अति गाहेमहि द्विषः॥

visva uta tvaya vayam dhara udanya iva |
ati gahemahi dvisah || 2.7.1,2&3

O! Mighty Agni Deva (Lord of Fire)! You rule all and look after their welfare. You are the greatest and most resplendent of all of divinities. Grant us various kinds of desired wealth in abundance.

May no enemy, whether of gods or men, ever rule us. May You also protect us from such enemies.

May we, through Your favor, overwhelm, overcome and cross, like a flooded water gushing forth, all those enemies that hate us.

40. त्वं दूतस्त्वमु नः परस्पास्त्वं वस्य आ वृषभ प्रणेता।
अग्ने तोकस्य नस्तने तनूनामप्रयुच्छन्दीद्यद्बोधि गोपाः
tvam dutas tvam u nah paraspas tvam vasya
a vrsabha praneta |
agne tokasya nas tane tanunam
aprayucchan didyad bodhi gopah ||
उभयं ते न क्षीयते वसव्यं दिवेदिवे जायमानस्य दस्मा।
कृधि क्षुमन्तं जरितारमग्ने कृधि पतिं स्वपत्यस्य रायः॥
ubhayam te na ksiyate vasavyam dive-dive
jayamanasya dasma |
krdhi ksumantam jaritaram agne krdhi
patim svapatyasya rayah ||
सैनानीकेन सुविदत्रो अस्मे यष्टा देवाँ आयजिष्ठः स्वस्ति।
अदब्धो गोपा उत नः परस्पा अग्ने द्युमदुत रेवद्दिदीहि॥
sainanikena suvidatro asme yasta devam
ayajisthah svasti |
adabdho gopa uta nah paraspa agne
dyumad uta revad didihi || 2.9.2,5&6

O! Mighty Agni Deva! Be our emissary. Save us from the fear of dangers and difficulties. Be the conveyor of wealth to us. Be effulgent and attentive to us. Protect us!. May we and our progeny always flourish!. May You ever remain most resplendent.

O! Elegant Lord! The wealth - both of heaven and this earth - created by you every day never

diminishes. Make Your worshippers gain wealth, fame and noble offspring.

O! Lord! With Your effulgence, confer upon us radiance, abundant food and wealth. You convey our oblations in sacrificial fires to gods for their nourishment. You are unassailable and honored by all. No one can reject You. Due to this, Your resplendence shines brilliantly everywhere. You are our protector. Help us overcome our sins.

41. यो जात एव प्रथमो मनस्वान्देवो देवान्क्रतुना पर्यभूषत्।
यस्य शुष्माद्रोदसी अभ्यसेतां नृम्णस्य महना स जनास
इन्द्रः॥

ya jata eva prathamo manasvan devo devan
kratuna paryabhusat |
yasya susmad rodasi abhyasetam nrmnasya
mahna sa janasa indrah ||

यः पृथिवीं व्यथमानामहंहृदयः पर्वतान्प्रकुपिताँ अरम्णात्।
यो अन्तरिक्षं विममे वरीयो यो द्यामस्तभ्नात्स जनास
इन्द्रः॥

yah prthivim vyathamnam adrmhad yah
parvatan prakupitam aramnat |
yo antariksam vimame variyo yo dyam
astabhnat sa janasa indrah ||

यो हत्वाहिमरिणात्सप्त सिन्धून्यो गा उदाजदपथा वलस्य।
यो अश्मनोरन्तरग्निं जजान संवृक्समत्सु स जनास इन्द्रः॥

**yo hatvahim arinat sapta sindhun yo ga
udajad apadha valasya |
yo asmanor antar agnim jajana samvrk
samatsu sa janasa indrah || 2.12.1,2&3**

He who, immediately after taking birth, honored other deities by his actions, whose might makes earth and heaven tremble, who by virtue of power and strength, became famous, such a God, men, is Lord Indra!

He who fixed the wobbling earth firm, who set at rest the incensed mountains, who measured the wide firmament, and who supported and strengthened heaven, such a God, men, is Lord Indra!.

He, who slayed demon Ahi and ensured free flow of the seven rivers, who recovered cows kept hidden by demon Vala, who created fire between two stones, who destroys enemy forces in battle, He, men, verily is Lord Indra!

42. इन्द्र श्रेष्ठानि द्रविणानि धेहि चित्तिं दक्षस्य सुभगत्वमस्मे।
पोषं रयीणामरिष्टिं तनूनां स्वाद्मानं वाचः सुदिनत्वमह्नाम्॥

**indra sresthani dravinani dhehi cittim
daksasya subhagatvam asme |
posam rayinam aristim tanunam
svadmanam vacah sudinatvam ahnam ||**

2.21.6

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O! Lord Indra! Give us the best of treasures..
Give us reputed ability and wellbeing. Grant us
prosperity, increase of wealth and security of person.
Grant us sweetness of speech and auspiciousness
of days.

43. गणानां त्वा गणपतिं हवामहे कविं कवीनामुपमश्रवस्तमम्।
ज्येष्ठराजं ब्रह्मणां ब्रह्मणस्पत आ नः शृण्वन्नूतिभिः सीद
सादनम्॥

gananam tva ganapatim havamahe kavim
kavinam upamasravastamam |
jyestharajam brahmanam brahmanas pata
a nah srnvann utibhih sida sadanam ||

त्वं नो गोपाः पथिकृद्विचक्षणस्तव व्रताय मतिभिर्जरामहे।
बृहस्पते यो नो अभि ह्वरो दधे स्वा तं मर्मर्तु दुच्छुना
हरस्वती॥

tvam no gopah pathikrd vicaksnas tava
vrataya matibhir jaramahe |
brhaspate yo no abhi hvaro dadhe sva tam
marmartu ducchuna harasvati ||

उत वा यो नो मर्चयादनागसोऽरातीवा मर्तः सानुको वृकः।
बृहस्पते अप तं वर्तया पथः सुगं नो अस्यै देववीतये कृधि॥

uta va yo no marcayad anagaso rativa
martah sanuko vrkah |
brhaspate apa tam vartaya pathah sugam
no asyai devavitaye krdhi ||

2.23.1,6&7

We invoke Brahmanaspati, chief of all heavenly bands. He is the sage of sages. He is the supreme Lord of prayers. May He hear us, come and reside at the place of sacrificial fire at our house!

O Lord Brihaspati, You are our protector. You are our path-maker.

The wise pray to You for moving in accord with your instructions!

May those who conspire against us, lose their intelligence in no time and suffer own destruction.

O Lord Brihaspati! Protect us, the faultless, from those angry, cruel and wolf-like persons who torment us. Make thus, the path of divinity simple and free of obstacles for us.

44. सुनीतिभिर्नयसि त्रायसे जनं यस्तुभ्यं दाशान्न तमंहो अश्नवत्।
ब्रह्मद्विषस्तपनो मन्युमीरसि बृहस्पते महि तत्ते महित्वनम्॥

**sunitibhir nayasi trayase janam yas tubhyam
dsan na tam amho asnavat |
brahmadvisas tapano manyumir asi
brhaspate mahi tat te mahitvanam ||**

न तमंहो न दुरितं कुतश्चन नारातयस्तितिरुर्न द्वयाविनः।
विश्वा इदस्माद्ध्वरसो वि बाधसे यं सुगोपा रक्षसि ब्रह्मणस्पते॥

**na tam amho na duritam kutas cana
naratayas titirur na dvayavinah |
visva id asmad dhvaraso vi badhase yam
sugopa raksasi brahmanaspate || 2.23.4&5**

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O! Lord Brihaspati, Lord of Wisdom! Those who offer oblations to you are guided along morally upright path and encouraged to do good deeds. They are protected by You. They incur no sin. You punish those who hate divinity and put an end to their wrath.

Such is Your power and glory.

Brihaspati who administers things excellently, keeps away the violent forces from those protected by Him. Likewise they never commit sins or evil deeds that bring sorrow to one. No enemy, no double-tongued fraudster can cheat them.

45. त्रातारं त्वा तनूनां हवामहेऽवस्पतरधिवक्तारमस्मयुम्।
बृहस्पते देवनिदो नि बर्हय मा दुरेवा उत्तरं सुम्नमुन्नशन्॥

trataram tva tanunam havamahe vaspatar
adhivaktaram asmayum |
brhaspate devanido ni barhaya ma dureva
uttaram sumnam un nasan ||

बृहस्पते अति यदर्यो अर्हाद्द्यूमद्विभाति क्रतुमज्जनेषु।
यद्दीदयच्छवस ऋत्प्रजात तदस्मासु द्रविणं धेहि चित्रम्॥

brhaspate ati yad aryo arhad dyumad
vibhati kratumaj janesu |
yad didayac chavasa rtaprajata tad asmasu
dravinam dhehi citram ||

मा नः स्तेनेभ्यो ये अभि द्रुहस्पदे निरामिणो रिपवेऽन्नेषु
जागृधुः।

आ देवानामोहते वि व्रयो हृदि बृहस्पते न परः साम्नो विदुः॥

**ma nah stenebhyo ye abhi druhas pade
niramino ripavo nnesu jagrdhuh |
a devanam ohate vi vrayo hrdis brhaspate
na parah samno viduh || 2.23.8,15&16**

This Brihaspati, with his resources of defense, helps His devotees cross their sorrows. He protects them from harm and hence men always call him for assistance. He never allows revilers of God to live in comfort and completely destroys them.

Lord Brihaspati is known for accomplishing things in a simple way. Such a wonderful treasure is granted by Lord Brihaspati that is prized by the wise, that makes people radiant and makes them do auspicious deeds, and one that confers power and strength on people. May He confer such a great treasure on us too!

Those who derive sadistic pleasure in treachery, who try to grab food of opponents, who oppose gods at heart, who other than uttering, parrot-like, mere words of peace, know nothing much about divine power. May we never be afraid of such thieves! May we always be protected by You from them!.

46. त्वया वयं सुवृधा ब्रह्मणस्पते स्पार्हा वसु मनुष्या ददीमहि।
या नो दूरे तळितो या अरातयोऽभि सन्ति जम्भया ता
अनपनसः॥

tvaya vayam suvrdha brahmanas pate
sparha vasu manusya dadimahi |
ya no dure talito ya aratayo bhi santi
jambhaya ta anapnasah ||

त्वया वयमुत्तमं धीमहे वयो बृहस्पते पप्रिणा सस्निना युजा।
मा नो दुःशंसो अभिदिप्सुरीशत प्र सुशंसा
मतिभिस्तारिषीमहि॥

tvaya vayam uttamam dhimahe vayo
brhaspate paprina sasnina yuja |
ma no duhsamso abhidipsur isata pra
susamsa matibhis tarisimahi ||

अदेवेन मनसा यो रिषण्यति शासामुग्रो मन्यमानो जिघांसति।
बृहस्पते मा प्रणक्तस्य नो वधो नि कर्म मन्युं दुरेवस्य
शर्धतः॥

aivena manasa yo risanyati sasam ugro
manyamano jighamsati |
brhaspate ma pranak tasya no vadho ni
karma manyum durevasya sardhatah ||
2.23.9,10&12

O! Lord Brihaspati, Lord of wisdom!, We seek from You the best of desirable wealth for the well-being of all men. Destroy those evil-minded enemies of ours, who are distant, near and around us.

O! Lord Brihaspati! With You, the pure guide and the fulfiller of our wishes, we may acquire great food and strength. May the disreputed, the wicked and oppressive person never be lord of us.

We may, with a praise worthy mind, face our difficulties and sorrows.

Those who are of demoniac mind and who think too high of their own capacities, may never be allowed to reach or harm us! May such a wicked person's weapon never fall on us!. May we make such an evil-minded and dreadful man's anger futile.

47. न दक्षिणा वि चिकिते न सव्या न प्राचीनमादित्या नोत
पश्चा।

पाक्या चिद्वसवो धीर्या चिद्युष्मानीतो अभयं ज्योतिरश्याम्॥

na daksina vi cikite na savya na pracinam
aditya nota pasca |
pakya cid vasavo dhirya cid yusmanito
abhyam jyotir asyam ||

या वो माया अभिद्रुहे यजत्राः पाशा आदित्या रिपवे विचृत्ताः।
अश्वीव ताँ अति येषं रथेनारिष्टा उरावा शर्मन्त्स्याम॥

ya vo maya abhidruhe yajatrah pasa aditya
ripave vicrttah |
asviva tam ati yesam rathenarista urav a
sarman syama || 2.27.11&16

Man is very ignorant and weak. He can't know what things lie to his right or left, in front or back. He also does not know what the right path is or the

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wrong one. He, should therefore, walk in the path shown by Gods and the wise. He, thus finds eternal light of wisdom.

O! Revered Adityas! The bonds and illusion created by You ensnare the enemies that harm us. Sitting in a chariot, we cross all these obstructions, just as a seasoned horseman overcomes all difficult obstacles. Protected thus, we become unharmed and live in our large and happy homes.

48. सुगो हि वो अर्यमन्मित्र पन्था अनृक्षरो वरुण साधुरस्ति।
तेनादित्या अधि वोचता नो यच्छता नो दुष्परिहन्तु शर्मा॥
sugo hi vo aryaman mitra pantha anrksaro
varuna sadhur asti |
tenaditya adhi vocata no yacchata no
dusparihantu sarma ||
न दक्षिणा वि चिकिते न सव्या न प्राचीनमादित्या नोत
पश्चा।
पाक्या चिद्वसवो धीर्या चिद्युष्मानीतो अभयं ज्योतिरश्याम्॥
na daksina vi cikite na savya na pracinam
aditya nota pasca |
pakya cid vasavo dhirya cid yusmanito
abhayam jyotir asyam || 2.27.6&11

Man is feeble and immature of mind. He does not know what lies in front or back, right or left of him in this world. He also does not know which path is right and which is a wrong one. He should,

therefore, follow the path shown by divinity and sages and attain the Eternal light.

O! Aryaman, Mitra and Varuna! The path shown by You is simple and straight. It is free from thorns and obstacles. For these reasons, it is the best one for us to move forward at all times.

Man must obtain the best of instructions and guidance from Aditya Ganas and follow the same in real life for attaining lasting happiness.

49. आ ते पितर्मरुतां सुम्नमेतु मा नः सूर्यस्य संदृशो युयोथाः।
अभि नो वीरो अर्वति क्षमेत प्र जायेमहि रुद्र प्रजाभिः॥

**viro arvati ksameta pra sumnam etu mah
nah suryasya samdrso yuyothan |
abhi no viro arvati ksameta pra jayemahi
rudra prajabhih ||**

कुमारश्चित्पितरं वन्दमानं प्रति नानाम रुद्रोपयन्तम्।
भूरेर्दातारं सत्पतिं गृणीषे स्तुतस्त्वं भेषजा रास्यस्मे॥

**kumaras cit pitaram vandamanam prati
nanama rudropayantam |
bhurer dataram satpatim grnise stutas tvam
bhesaja rasy asme || 2.33.1&12**

O! Rudra! You are father of Maruts. Grant us Your bliss. May we walk in the path shown by You and gain joy and comfort!. May we never be far from sunlight!. Never keep us in the darkness. Our sons and other soldiers overthrow our enemies in

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battle. With valorous children, may our clan keep growing!.

O! Rudra! Just as a son offers salutations to his worthy father, we offer the same to You on approaching us. I praise Lord Rudra who confers bounteous wealth on His people and protects good people. On being so worshiped, grant us, O Lord, priceless herbs and medicines.

50. त्वादत्तेभी रुद्र शंतमेभिः शतं हिमा अशीय भेषजेभिः।
व्यस्मद्द्वेषो वितरं व्यंहो व्यमीवाश्चातयस्वा विषूचीः॥
tvadattebhi rudra samtamebhih satam hima
asiya bhesajebhih |
vy asmad dveso vitraram vy amho vy amivas
catayasva visucih ||

श्रेष्ठो जातस्य रुद्र श्रियासि तवस्तमस्तवसां वज्रबाहो।
पर्षि णः पारमंहसः स्वस्ति विश्वा अभिती रपसो युयोधि॥
srestho jatasya rudra sriyasi tavastamas
tavasam vajrabaho |
parsi nah param amhasah svasti visva abhiti
rapaso yuyodhi || 2.33.2&3

O! Lord Rudra! With the medicinal plants bestowed on us, we may live for a hundred years. Remove from us hatred, sin and bodily ailments.

O! Lord Rudra! You are the most exalted of all beings in the world. You are the mightiest of the mighty. Keep us far away from the path of sin.

51. नावेव नः पारयतं युगेव नभ्येव न उपधीव प्रधीव।
श्वानेव नो अरिषण्या तनूनां खृगलेव विस्रसः पातमस्मान्॥
naveva nah parayatam yugeva nabhyeva na
upadhiva pradhiva |
svaneva no arisanya tanunam khrgaleva
visrasah patam asman |
वातेवाजुर्या नदूयेव रीतिरक्षी इव चक्षुषा यातमर्वाक्।
हस्ताविव तन्वे शम्भविष्ठा पादेव नो नयतं वस्यो अच्छ॥
vatevajurya nadyeva ritir aksi iva caksusa
yatam arvak |
hastav iva tanve sambhavistha padeva no
nayatam vasyo accha ||
ओष्ठाविव मध्वास्ने वदन्ता स्तनाविव पिप्यतं जीवसे नः।
नासेव नस्तन्वो रक्षितारा कर्णाविव सुश्रुता भूतमस्मे ॥
osthav iva madhv asne vadanta stanav iva
pipyatam jivase nah |
naseva nas tanvo raksitara karnav iva
susruta bhutam asme || 2.39.4,5&6

O! Ashwins! Carry us across the sea of life like two vessels. Be like poles of a car to us. Protect us like yokes, naves, spokes and fellies of two wheels. Be like two watchdogs warding off injury to our person. Like two coats of mail, save us from old age and decay.

Come to us like two imperishable and irresistible winds, like two rapid rivers in confluence, like two

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eyes that give us quick vision, like two hands that help us do many things and like the pair of legs that guide us to the best of destinations and prosperity.

O! Ashwins! Take care of us like two lips that utter sweet words. Be like two breasts that give us nourishment for life. Be like two nostrils that give us life-breath. And be like our two ears that patiently hear agreeable, pleasant and good sounds.

52. अम्बितमे नदीतमे देवितमे सरस्वति।

अप्रशस्ता इव स्मसि प्रशस्तिमम्ब नस्कृधि॥

**ambitame naditame devitame sarasvati |
aprasasta iva smasi prasastim amba nas
krdhi ||**

त्वे विश्वा सरस्वति श्रितायूंषि देव्याम्।
शुनहोत्रेषु प्रजां देवि दिदिद्धि नः॥

**tve visva sarasvati sritayumsi devyam |
sunahotresu matsva prajam devi dididdhi
nah || 2.41.16&17**

O! Goddess Saraswati! You are the greatest of mothers, the greatest of rivers and the greatest of Goddesses. We are no people of virtue and repute. O! Mother! Grant us fame, wisdom and distinction.

All life and living beings depend on effulgent Goddess Saraswati for their sustenance. May She remain satisfied and pleased with sacred offerings in sacrificial rituals!. May those who worship

Goddess Saraswati be blessed with long life and the best of progeny!.

53. प्रदक्षिणिदभि गृणन्ति कारवो वयो वदन्त ऋतुथा शकुन्तयः।
उभे वाचौ वदति सामगा इव गायत्रं च त्रैष्टुभं चानु
राजति॥

pradaksinid abhi grnanti karavo vayo
vadanta rtutha sakuntayah |
ubhe vacau vadati samaga iva gayatram ca
traistubham canu rajati ||

उद्गातेव शकुने साम गायसि ब्रह्मपुत्र इव सवनेषु शंससि।
वृषेव वाजी शिशुमतीरपीत्या सर्वतो नः शकुने भद्रमा वद
विश्वतो नः शकुने पुण्यमा वद॥

udgateva sakune sama gayasi brahmaputra
iva savanesu samsasi |
vrseva vaji sisumatir apitya sarvato nah
sakune bhadram a vada visvato nah sakune
punyam a vada ||

आवदँस्त्वं शकुने भद्रमा वद तूष्णीमासीनः सुमतिं चिकिद्धि
नः।

यदुत्पतन्वदसि कर्करिर्यथा बृहद्वदेम विदथे सुवीराः॥

avadams tvam sakune bhadram a vada
tusnim asinah sumatim cikiddhi nah |
yad utpatan vadasi karkarir yatha brhad
vadema vidathe suvirah || 2.42.1,2&3

May Shakunta Bird which sings musical notes in indication of changing seasons and sits on the right side of worshippers sing auspicious words to us!. Along with those who recite Sama Veda mantras, this Bird sings Gayatri and Tristubh in a splendid way and makes us delighted.

O! Bird! Just as Udgata and Brahma recite Veda mantras in sacred rituals, You may sing auspicious and instructive words for us in a similar way. Just as a horse neighs while approaching a mare, you may proclaim aloud to us notes of great security from all quarters and well-being from every direction.

O! Bird When you fly high and sing like a lute, You may speak only auspicious and good words to us. Even when You sit silently and in rest, inspire our minds in the right direction. Blessed with great descendents, we may praise You in the best manner at sacred rituals.

(Shakunta is a bird that is supposed to give indication of what would happen in future)



MANDALA 3

54. ऋतं शंसन्त ऋतमित्ता आहुरनु व्रतं व्रतपा दीध्यानाः॥

rtam samsanta rtam it ta ahur anu vratam
vratapa didhyanah || 3.4.7

Practice of Truth is the greatest penance

55. आ भारती भारतीभिः सजोषा इळा देवैर्मनुष्येभिरग्निः।
सरस्वती सारस्वतेभिरवाक्स्रो देवीर्बहिरिदं सदन्तु॥

a bharati bharatibhih sajosa ila devair
manusyebhir agnih |
sarasvati sarasvatebhir arvak tisro devir
barhir edam sadantu || 3.4.8

All people of the country may speak to each other in love. Let their voices be in harmony. Let them be in support of each other, not in opposition. Let them be of one mind. Let them walk in the path of the wise. Let their knowledge reinforce each other.

56. पृक्षप्रयजो द्रविणः सुवाचः सुकेतव उषसो रेवदूषुः।
उतो चिदग्ने महिना पृथिव्याः कृतं चिदेनः सं महे दशस्य॥

prksaprayajo dravinah suvacah suketava
usaso revad usuh |
uto cid agne mahina prthivyah krtam cid
enah sam mahe dasasya ||

इळामग्ने पुरुदंसं सनिं गोः शश्वत्तमं हवमानाय साधा
स्यान्नः सूनुस्तनयो विजावाग्ने सा ते सुमतिर्भूत्वस्मे॥

**ilam agne purudamsam sanim goh
sasvattamam havamanaya sadha |
syan nah sunus tanayo vijavagne sa te
sumatir bhutv asme || 3.7.10&11**

O! Opulent Agni! With Your inspiration, may the brilliant rays of dawn, made splendorous by oblations, prayers and auspicious signs confer food upon all and give them abundant wealth!. You may, with Your great might and power, consume all sins committed by Your worshippers knowingly or unknowingly.

O! Lord Agni! Confer upon those who perform sacrificial rituals, the most fertile lands that can help people in various ways and also sustain the wealth of cows. Increase our progeny and develop our clan. Let the great mind and wisdom of Yours be also bestowed on us.

57. त्वद्धि पुत्र सहसो वि पूर्वीर्दिवस्य यन्त्यूतयो वि वाजाः।
त्वं देहि सहस्रिणं रयिं नोऽद्रोघेण वचसा सत्यमग्ने॥

**tvad dhi putra sahaso vi purvir devasya
yanty utayo vi vajah |
tvam dehi sahasrinam rayim no droghena
vacasa satyam agne || 3.14.6**

This Lord Agni's several powers protect divine people from dangers and nourish them and strengthen them every way.

O! Lord Agni! Grant us such wealth that is earned in a truthful and unstained way.

58. भवा नो अग्ने सुमना उपेतौ सखेव सख्ये पितरेव साधुः।
पुरुद्रुहो हि क्षितयो जनानां प्रति प्रतीचीर्दहतादरातीः॥

**bhava no agne sumana upetau sakheva
sakhye pitareva sadhuh |
purudruho hi ksitayo jananam prati praticir
dahatad aratih ||**

उच्छोचिषा सहसस्युत्र स्तुतो बृहद्वयः शशमानेषु धेहि।
रेवदग्ने विश्वामित्रेषु शं योर्मर्मृज्मा ते तन्वं भूरि कृत्वः॥

**uc chocisa sahasas putra stuto brhad vayah
sasamanesu dhehi |
revad agne visvamitresu sam yor marmrjma
te tanvam bhuri krtvah || 3.18.1&14**

O! Lord Agni! Just as a friend to friend and parents to their son, always remain their well-wishers, You, may, too, on approaching us, be pleased with us. Be benevolent and beneficial to us. Man does a lot of harm to his fellow men. You, may, therefore, turn against enemies who act against us and burn them down.

O! Son of Strength! O Effulgent God! May You be more radiant!.

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Praised by all, may You grant all your worshippers, who are descendents of Vishwamitra, abundant wealth and food! May You confer upon them health and fearlessness! O! Lord of action! We may sanctify Your body with our oblations.

59. स तेजीयसा मनसा त्वोत उत शिक्ष स्वपत्यस्य शिक्षोः।
अग्ने रायो नृतमस्य प्रभूतौ भूयाम ते सुष्टुतयश्च वस्वः॥
- sa tejiyasa manasa tvota uta siksa
svapatyasya siksoh |
agne rayo nrtamasya prabhutau bhuyama
te sustutayas ca vasvah || 3.19.3**

The man who remains under protection of Lord Agni, God of Fire, will be of the most luminous mind and heart. Grant him abundant wealth. O Lord Agni! You are also the greatest of divine leaders. May we always live in the glow of Your glory! May we always sing Your praises!. May we attain great prosperity!.

60. त्रिभिः पवित्रैरुपोद्ध्यर्कं हृदा मतिं ज्योतिरनु प्रजानन्।
वर्षिष्ठं रत्नमकृत स्वधाभिरादिद्द्यावापृथिवी पर्यपश्यत्॥
- tribhiih pavitirair apudpod dhy rakam hrda
matim jyotir anu prajanan |
varsistham ratnam akrta svadhabhir ad id
dyavaprthivi pary apasyat || 3.26.8**

Lord Agni, having reflected on the unity of the three manifestations of Fire, Wind and eternal Sun, and purifying himself, identifies the soul fire as the Supreme Being. He thus makes Himself as the most excellent treasure and contemplates heaven and earth.

61. अग्ने शक्रेम ते वयं यमं देवस्य वाजिनः।
अति द्वेषांसि तरेम॥

**agne sakema te vayam yamam devasya
vajinah |**

ati dvesamsi tarema || 3.27.3

O! Lord Agni, May we always praise You, endowed with the greatest of divine qualities!. May we always keep You with us! And with Your help, may we overcome all animosities!.

62. यस्मै धायुरदधा मर्त्यायाभक्तं चिद्भजते गेह्यं सः।
भद्रा त इन्द्र सुमतिर्घृताची सहस्रदाना पुरुहूत रातिः॥

**yasmai dhayur adadha martyayabhaktam
cid bhajate gehyam sah |**

bhadra ta indra sumatir ghrtaci

sahasradana puruhuta ratih || 3.30.7

Lord Indra's Grace gets devotee unprecedented wealth and prosperity including those he was not previously entitled to. The one who follows the mind of Lord Indra attains well-being. His gifts bestow on us various kinds of wealth.

63. विवेष यन्मा धिषणा जजान स्तवै पुरा पार्यादिन्द्रमह्नः।
अंहसो यत्र पीपरद्यथा नो नावेव यान्तमुभये हवन्ते॥

**vivesa yan ma dhisana jajana stavai pura
paryad indram ahnah |
amhaso yatra piparad yatha no naveva
yantam ubhaye havante || 3.32.14**

When happy and when longing springs in me, I laud Lord Indra. Before facing distant evil too, I sing in His praise. He then comes immediately and takes me beyond sin. Just as a passenger in a boat is hailed by people on the both banks of a river, Lord comes to serve and save both those in a state of joy and sorrow alike.

64. अस्मे प्र यन्धि मघवन्नृजीषिन्निन्द्र रायो विश्ववारस्य भूरेः।
अस्मे शतं शरदो जीवसे धा अस्मे वीराञ्छश्वत इन्द्र शिप्रिन्॥

**asme pra yandhi maghavann rjisinn indra
rayo visvavarasya bhureh |
asme satam sarado jivase dha asme viran
chasvata indra siprin || 3.36.10**

O! Resplendent Indra! Lord of prosperity! You always walk in the straight and easy path. Give us in ample measure the best of wealth sought in various forms by all. And grant us a hundred years of long and happy life. Bless us with a large family consisting of several children and grandchildren.

65. सदा सुगः पितुमाँ अस्तु पन्था मध्वा देवा ओषधीः सं
पिपृक्त।
भगो मे अग्ने सख्ये न मृध्या उद्रायो अश्यां सदनं पुरुक्षोः॥
- sada sugah pitumam astu pantha madhva
deva osadhih sam piprka |
bhago me agne sakhye na mrdhya ud rayo
asyam sadanam puruksoh || 3.54.21**

What ever path we may take in life, let it be always simple, straight and free of thorns. May our food, ghee and other such items be sweet and fit for consumption!. O! Lord Agni, God of Fire, You are our Guide and Friend. May our fortune be never impaired!. On the other hand, may You bless us with a dwelling full of ample riches and food!.

66. को अद्धा वेद क इह प्र वोचद्देवाँ अच्छा पथ्या का समेति।
ददृश्र एषामवमा सदांसि परेषु या गुह्येषु व्रतेषु॥
- ko addha veda ka iha pra vocad devam
accha pathya ka sam eti |
dadsra esam avama sadamsi paresu ya
guhyesu vratesu || 3.54.5**

No one knows the great and hidden places where Gods reside. We can only have a broader idea of the obodes of the Divine. This being so, it is not possible for any one to know the straight path that leads to the Gods. And no one can describe the same.

67. उषसः पूर्वा अध यद्व्यूषुर्महद्वि जज्ञे अक्षरं पदे गोः।
व्रता देवानामुप नु प्रभूषन्महद्देवानामसुरत्वमेकम्॥

usasah purva adha yad vyusur mahad vi
jajne aksaram pade goh |
vrata devanam upa nu prabhusan mahad
devanam asuratvam ekam ||

मो षू णो अत्र जुहुरन्त देवा मा पूर्वे अग्ने पितरः पदज्ञाः।
पुराण्योः सद्मनोः केतुरन्तर्महद्देवानामसुरत्वमेकम्॥

mo su no atra juhuranta deva ma purve
agne pitarah padajnah |
puranyoh sadmanoh ketur antar mahad
devanam asuratvam ekam ||

वि मे पुरुत्रा पतयन्ति कामाः शम्यच्छा दीद्वे पूर्वाणि।
समिद्धे अग्नावृतमिद्वदेम महद्देवानामसुरत्वमेकम्॥

vi me purutra patayanti kamah samy accha
didye purvyani |
samiddhe agnav rtam id vadema mahad
devanam asuratvam ekam || 3.55.1,2&3

At the earliest sign of break of dawn, the Great Eternal becomes manifest in the cow's home. The worshiper then begins to perform holy rites for the Divinity. Great and unequalled is the might of Gods. They are the sole source of energy of the entire universe.

Let not the Gods and Agni, or our ancient progenitors or the Sun, the manifestor of light, do us harm.

Man's desires are many. For fulfilling them, let him do the best of deeds and keep in mind the power and glory of Gods.

68. न ता मिनन्ति मायिनो न धीरा व्रता देवानां प्रथमा ध्रुवाणि।
न रोदसी अद्रुहा वेद्याभिर्न पर्वता निनमे तस्थिवांसः॥

**na ta minanti mayino na dhira vrata
devanam prathama dhruvani |
na rodasi adruha vedyabhir na parvata
niname tasthivamsah || 3.56.1**

The primal, eternal and steadfast ordinances of the Divine can't be violated either by a man of deceit or a resolute man or an angry man or even a man of knowledge. Nor can a noble man do so. Innocuous heaven and earth too can't alter them. Even the mountains contemplated to be firm do not bow down to any force.

69. तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं भर्गो देवस्य धीमहि।
धियो यो नः प्रचोदयात्॥

**tat savitur varenyam bhargo devasya
dhimahi |
dhiyo yo nah pracodayat || 3.62.10**

We meditate on that Savita that is the most exalted and effulgent Divinity. May that Supreme Being illuminate our minds and direct us in the right path.

70. स ते जानाति सुमतिं यविष्ठ य ईवते ब्रह्मणे गातुमैरत्।
विश्वान्यस्मै सुदिनानि रायो द्युम्नान्यर्यो वि दुरो अभि
द्यौत्॥

**sa te janati sumatim yavistha ya ivate
brahmane gatum airat |
visvany asmai sudinani rayo dyumnany aryo
vi duro abhidyaut || 4.4.6**

Salutations Young God Agni! The man who invokes Lord Agni that guides and inspires one in the best of ways, knows and gains His grace and favor. The Lord makes all his days prosperous and good. He grants him wealth of cattle and priceless treasures. He shines upon his dwelling and looks after his well-being.

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MANDALA 4

71. महश्चिदग््न एनसो अभीक ऊर्वादूदेवानामुत मर्त्यानाम्।
मा ते सखायः सदमिद्रिषाम यच्छा तोकाय तनयाय शं योः॥

**mahas cid agna enaso abhika urvad
devanam uta martyanam |
ma te sakhayah sadam id risama yaccha
tokaya tanayaya sam yoh || 4.12.5**

O! Lord Agni, We are Your friends. Therefore, if we have done, due to ignorance, any sin or offence against man or God, forgive us. Do not punish us harshly. You may grant happiness and health to our progeny.

72. त्राता नो बोधि ददृशान आपिरभिख्याता मर्दिता सोम्यानाम्।
सखा पिता पितृतमः पितृणां कर्तेमु लोकमुशते वयोधाः॥

**trata no bodhi dadrsana apir abhikhyata
mardita somyanam |
sakha pita pitrtamah pitrnam kartem u
lokam usate vayodhah ||**

सखीयतामविता बोधि सखा गृणान इन्द्र स्तुवते वयो धाः।
वयं ह्या ते चकृमा सबाध आभिः शमीभिर्महयन्त इन्द्र॥

**sakhiyatam avita bodhi sakha grnana indra
stuvate vayo dhah |
vayam hy a te cakrma sabadha abhih
samibhir mahayanta indra || 4.17.17&18**

Lord Indra looks after activities of all. As a kinsman, He protects us all. He specially makes all those who perform Soma Yajna happy. As Friend,

as Sire, most fatherly of fathers, He is our Benefactor. He makes the world for us. He gives us vital strength and freedom. He is the Supreme Governor of the entire world.

O!, Lord! Regard Yourself as the Guardian of those who seek Your support and friendship. Be our friend whom we always praise. Be a nourisher of those who pray to You. Suffering difficulties and dangers, we worship You and make our supplications to You.

73. ऋतस्य हि शुरुधः सन्ति पूर्वीऋतस्य धीतिवृजिनानि हन्ति।
ऋतस्य श्लोको बधिरा ततर्द कर्णा बुधानः शुचमान आयोः॥
rtasya hi surudhah santi purvir rtasya dhitir
vrjina hanti |
rtasya sloko badhira tatarda karna
budhanah sucamana ayoh || 4.23.8

Noble duties and deeds are imbued with infinite powers. A right mind kills sinful thoughts. The evil man turns a deaf ear to wise and powerful hymns extolling the Truth.

74. इदाह्नः पीतिमुत वो मदं धुर्न ऋते श्रान्तस्य सख्याय देवाः।
ते नूनमस्मे ऋभवो वसूनि तृतीये अस्मिन्सवने दधात॥
idahnah pitim uta vo madam dhur na rte
srantasya sakhyaya devah |
te nunam asme rbhavo vasuni trtiye asmin
savane dadhata || 4.33.11

O Rbhus! The gods have given you the Soma rasa at the third sacrifice of the day. They do not favour or help those who are not diligent and industrious.

75. हंसः शुचिषद्वसुरन्तरिक्षसद्धोता वेदिषदतिथिर्दुरोणसत्।
नृषद्वरसद्वतसद्व्योमसदब्जा गोजा ऋतजा अद्रिजा ऋतम्॥
hamsah sucidad vasur antarikhsasad dhota
vedisad atithir duronasat |
nrsad varasad rtasad vyomasad abja goja
rtaja adrija rtam || 4.40.5

The Para Brahman or Supreme Being dwells as Effulgence in solar orb. He dwells as air in the sky. The Supreme Lord dwells as Lord Agni at the fire-altar. He comes to one's house in the form of a guest. He is manifest in man as his consciousness. Divinity is perceived through knowledge and wisdom. The Para Brahman is gained through meritorious deeds and Practice of truth.

76. अचिती यच्चकृमा दैव्ये जने दीनैर्दक्षैः प्रभूती पूरुषत्वता।
देवेषु च सवितर्मानुषेषु च त्वं नो अत्र सुवतादनागसः॥
acitti yac cakrma daivye jane dinair
daksaih prabhuti purusatvata |
devesu ca savitar manusesu ca tvam no atra
suvatad anagasah | 4.54.3

O! Lord! Savita! In case we have done, out of our ignorance, weakness, arrogance, pride of wealth, conceit or other human frailties, any offence against

You, other divinities or fellow humans, forgive us and free us from such sins.

77. अदाभ्यो भुवनानि प्रचाकशद्ब्रतानि देवः सविताभि रक्षते।
प्रास्राग्बाहू भुवनस्य प्रजाभ्यो धृतव्रतो महो अज्मस्य राजति॥

**adabhyo bhuvanai pracakasad vratani
devah savitabhi raksate |
prasrag bahu bhuvanasya prajabhyo
dhrtavrato maho ajmasya rajati || 4.53.4**

Savita Deva, Sun-God, who is unconquerable, illuminates the whole world. He protects all sacred rituals. He extends His arms for the well-being, guidance and safe-guarding of all people. The Lord who bears responsibility for all sacrificial fires and ceremonies, rules over the entire universe as the sovereign king.

78. मधुमतीरोषधीर्द्याव आपो मधुमन्नो भवत्वन्तरिक्षम्।
क्षेत्रस्य पतिर्मधुमान्नो अस्त्वरिष्यन्तो अन्वेनं चरेम॥

**madhumatir osadhir dyava apo madhuman
no bhavatv antariksam |
ksetrasya patir madhuman no astv arisyanto
anvenam carema || 4.57.3**

Sweet be the ghee and herbs for us!. May the heavens, the waters, the firmament be sweet to us!. May the Supreme Lord of the field be gracious to us!. May we have undeterred and unhindered access to Him!.

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MANDALA 5

79. त्वमर्यमा भवसि यत्कनीनां नाम स्वधावन्गुह्यं बिभर्षि।
अञ्जन्ति मित्रं सुधितं न गोभिर्यद्दम्पती समनसा कृणोषि॥
tvam aryama bhavasi yat kaninam nama
svadhavan guhyam bibharsi |
anjanti mitram sudhitam na gobhir yad
dampati samanasa krnosi || 5.3.2

During marriage rituals, Agni Deva becomes the first master of bride.

He is then known as Aryama. After marriage ceremony, He makes hearts of bride and bridegroom one. Pleased with this, both bride and bridegroom look upon Agni as their friend and anoint him with milk and butter.

80. समीं पणेरजति भोजनं मुषे वि दाशुषे भजति सूनरं वसु।
दुर्गे चन ध्रियते विश्व आ पुरु जनो यो अस्य
तविषीमचक्रुधत्॥
sam im paner ajati bhojanam muse vi dasuse
bhajati sunaram vasu |
durge cana dhriyate visva a puru jano yo
asya tavisim acukrudhat || 5.34.7

Lord Indra never shows mercy on the miserly and the greedy. He deprives them of their food and other necessities. And in regard to the generous, the Lord gives them the best of wealth and riches. And those who challenge His power and anger Him can never escape being confined by him in the fort.

81. यो जागार तमृचः कामयन्ते यो जागार तमु सामानि यन्ति।
यो जागार तमयं सोम आह तवाहमस्मि सख्ये न्योकाः॥
**yo jagara tam rcah kamayante yo jagara
tamu samani yanti |
yo jagara tam ayam soma aha tavaham asmi
sakhye nyokah || 5.44.14**

Knowledge seeks the man who works hard and who remains vigilant. Harmony too seeks him. And wisdom tells him, "I am yours and will remain in friendship with you."

82. ज्यायांसमस्य यतुनस्य केतुन ऋषिस्वरं चरति यासु नाम ते।
यादृश्मिन्धायि तमपस्यया विदद्य उ स्वयं वहते सो अरं करत्॥
**jyayamsam asya yatunasya ketuna
rsisvaram carati yasu nama te |
yadrsmi dhayi tam apasyaya vidad ya u
svayam vahate so aram karat || 5.44.8**

Inspired by their own inner voice, sages worshipped Agni, Lord of Fire, who, pleased with their hymns, granted them wealth. It proves that when men deeply seek wealth or any other thing and have strong resolution, they obtain the same through proper pursuit of purusharthas or the four objects of life, i.e ethics, wealth, pleasure and liberation. And also when man sincerely endeavors and works hard for a particular objective, he will surely attain the same.

83. स्वस्ति पन्थामनु चरेम सूर्याचन्द्रमसाविवा
पुनर्ददताघ्नता जानता सं गमेमहि॥

svasti pantham anu carema
suryacandramasav iva |
punar dadatagnata janata sam gamemahi ||
5.51.14&15

Like the Sun and the Moon, may we walk on the path of progress and welfare for all! May we give generous gifts, again and again, to the deserving! May we not be violent toward others but equip ourselves with wisdom and move forward together!

84. न स जीयते मरुतो न हन्यते न स्नेधति न व्यथते न रिष्यति।
नास्य राय उप दस्यन्ति नोतय ऋषिं वा यं राजानं वा सुषूदथा॥

na sa jiyate maruto na hanyate na sredhati
na vyathate na rusyati |
nasya raya upa dasyanti notaya rsim va yam
rajanam va susudatha || 5.54.7

Those sages and kings whom Gods inspire to do good things, do not suffer defeat, destruction, loss of wealth or other things, grief, deterioration, or withdrawal of divine support. They make progress in every way.

85. अज्येष्टासो अकनिष्ठास एते सं भ्रातरो वावृधुः सौभगाया।
युवा पिता स्वपा रुद्र एषां सुदुघा पृश्निः सुदिना मरुद्भ्यः॥

**ajyesthaso akanisthasa ete sam bhrataro
vavrdhuh saubhagaya |
yuva pita svapa rudra esam sudugha prsni
sudina marudbhyah || 5.60.5**

None being greater and none among them smaller, Maruts have grown together as affectionate brothers to happy fortune. Their Sire and Protector, Rudra is young and virtuous and their Mother Prsni pouring much milk, brings fair days to them.

86. विश्वानि देव सवितर्दुरितानि परा सुवा।
यद्भद्रं तन्न आ सुवा।

**visvani deva savitar duritani para suva |
yad bhadram tan na a suva || 5.82.5**

O Savita Deva! Remove all our misfortunes and bad qualities. Confer upon us what is good and beneficial.

87. अर्यम्यं वरुण मित्र्यं वा सखायं वा सदमिद्भ्रातरं वा।
वेशं वा नित्यं वरुणारणं वा यत्सीमागश्चकृमा शिश्रथस्तत्॥
aryamyam varuna mitryam va sakhayam va
sadam id bhrataram va |
vesam va nityam varunaranam va yat sim
agas cakrma sisrathas tat || 5.85.7

O! Varuna Deva! If we have ever committed an offense against a noble man, a benefactor, a friend, an associate, a brother, a neighbour, or a leader, free us from such a sin.

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MANDALA 6

88. स नो विभावा चक्षणिर्न वस्तोरग्निर्वन्दारु वेद्यश्चनो धात्।
विश्वायुर्यो अमृतो मर्त्येषूषर्भुद्भूदतिथिर्जातवेदाः॥

sa no vibhava caksanir na vastor agnir
vandaru vedyas cano dhat |
visvayur yo amrto martyesusarbhud bhud
atithir jatavedah || 6.4.2

Lord Agni, who like the Sun, is resplendent and honored by all, may give us great food. He is Immortal and the file of begins. Revered like a dear guest who knows everything and is of unparalleled wisdom, Agni Deva wakes up people at dawn and enlightens them.

89. अहश्च कृष्णमहरर्जुनं च वि वर्तेते रजसी वेद्याभिः।
वैश्वानरो जायमानो न राजावातिरज्ज्योतिषाग्निस्तमांसि॥
ahas ca krsnam ahar arjunam ca vi vartete
rajasi vedyabhih |
vaisvanaro jayamano na rajavatiraj
jyotisagnis tamamsi || 6.9.1

Dark night and bright day are regulated to move alternately and color the world. Lord Agni, who is like a king and benefactor of the world, brightens the world by removing darkness.

90. नाहं तन्तुं न वि जानाम्योतुं न यं वयन्ति समरेऽतमानाः।
कस्य स्वित्युत्र इह वक्तवानि परो वदात्यवरेण पित्रा॥

**naham tantum na vi janamy otum na yam
vayanti samare tamanah |
kasya svit putra iha vaktvani paro vadaty
avarena pitra || 6.9.2**

I do not understand the warp and woof - the subtle and gross elements of - of fabric of this creation. Nor do I know of that which those who are assiduous in united exertion, weave. No man, howsoever taught by a father born after the creation, can rightly know anything previous to his birth, either in this world or the next.

91. ध्रुवं ज्योतिर्निहितं दृश्ये कं मनो जविष्ठं पतयत्स्वन्तः।
विश्वे देवाः समनसः सकेता एकं क्रतुमभि वि यन्ति साधु॥

**dhruvam jyotir nihitam drsaye kam mano
javistham patayatsv antah |
visve devah samanah saketa ekam
kratum abhi vi yanti sadhu ||**

वि मे कर्णा पतयतो वि चक्षुर्वीदं ज्योतिर्हृदय आहितं यत्।
वि मे मनश्चरति दूरआधीः किं स्विवक्ष्यामि किमु नू
मनिष्ये॥

**vi me karna patayato vi caksur vidam jyotir
hrdaya ahitam yat |
vi me manas carati duraadhih kim svid
vaksyami kim u nu manisye || 6.9.5&6**

Despite being stable, the Light that moves faster than mind, remains stationed among immovable

beings in nature enabling them to experience bliss. All gods who are of the same mind and wisdom serve that Chief, Para Brahman, who plays crucial role in all activities.

With an intention to listen to Divinity, my ears run in the direction of the same; for seeing It, my eyes go in the same way. The Light that is in my heart is Self-Effulgent. The intellect of mine too goes after It. The mind that thinks of distant things keeps moving here and there. What more can I say about It? What more should I think of It?

92. त्वद्विश्वा सुभग सौभगान्यग्ने वि यन्ति वनिनो न वयाः।
श्रुष्टी रयिर्वाजो वृत्रतूर्ये दिवो वृष्टिरीड्यो रीतिरपाम्॥

tvad visva subhaga saubhagany agne vi yanti
vanino na vayah |
srusti rayir vajo vrtraturye divo vrstir idyo
ritir apam ||

वद्मा सूनो सहसो नो विहाया अग्ने तोकं तनयं वाजि नो दाः।
विश्वाभिर्गीर्भिरभि पूर्तिमश्यां मदेम शतहिमाः सुवीराः॥

vadma suno sahaso no vihaya agne tokam
tanayam vaji no dah |
visvabhir girbhir abhi purtim asyam
madema satahimah suvirah || 6.13.1&6

Most opulent Agni Deva! All prosperity flows from You. Just as branches spread out from a tree, wealth also grows fast from You. The strength to

vanquish enemies in war too comes from You. The torrential rain that falls from sky also arises in You.

Adorable Lord! You thus bring water to the world.

Son of Strength, Agni Deva! God of great wisdom! Be our Instructor! Give us progeny, abundant with grain and wealth. By singing Your praises, may we fulfill all our aspirations! Blessed with good children and grandchildren, we may live in happiness for a hundred years.

93. अग्ना यो मर्त्यो दुवो धियं जुजोष धीतिभिः।

भसन्नु ष प्र पूर्य इषं वुरीतावसे॥

agna yo martyo duvo dhiyam jujosa

dhitibhih |

bhasan nu sa pra purvya isam vuritavase ||

अच्छा नो मित्रमहो देव देवानग्ने वोचः सुमतिं रोदस्योः।

वीहि स्वस्तिं सुक्षितिं दिवो नृन्द्विषो अंहांसि दुरिता तरेम

ता तरेम तवावसा तरेमा॥

accha no mitramaho deva devan agne

vocahl sumatim rodasyoh |

vihi svastim suksitim divo nrn dviso amhamsi

durita tarema ta tarema tavavasa tarema ||

6.14.1&6

The man who worships Lord Agni with sincerity and deep devotion shines as the most distinguished of all. He gets everything needed for a secure life.

O! Divine Agni! You are endowed with friendship and assistance which are significant for men. Take our prayers to gods stationed in heaven and earth. Give good and progressive positions to leaders of nobility. May we be free from enemies, sins and difficulties. May we fully cross over all difficult problems and situations. May Your protection help us save ourselves from all critical problems and challenges.

94. द्युतानं वो अतिथिं स्वर्णरमग्निं होतारं मनुषः स्वध्वस्म्।
विप्रं न द्युक्षवचसं सुवृक्तिभिर्हव्यवाहमरतिं देवमृञ्जसे॥

dyutanam vo atithim svarnaram agnim
hotaram manusah svadhvaram |
vipram na dyukasavacasam suvrktibhir
havyavaham aratim devam rnjase ||

त्वमग्ने वनुष्यतो नि पाहि त्वमु नः सहसावन्नवदूयात्।
सं त्वा ध्वस्मन्वदभ्येतु पाथः सं रयिः स्पृहयाय्यः सहस्री॥

tvam agne vanusyato ni pahi tvam u nah
sahasavann avadyat |
sam tva dhvasmanvad abhy etu pathah sam
rayih sprhayayyah sahasri ||

अग्निर्होता गृहपतिः स राजा विश्वा वेद जनिमा जातवेदाः।
देवानामुत यो मर्त्यानां यजिष्ठः स प्र यजतामृतावा॥

agnir hota grhapatih sa raja visva veda
janima jatavedah |
devanam uta yo martyanam yajisthah sa pra
yajatam rtava || 6.15.4,12&13

O! Divine Agni Deva! We propitiate you as the foremost of divinities. You carry our oblations to gods. You are the very embodiment of Effulgence. You are revered as a dear guest by us.

You take people to heaven. You invite gods to partake our oblations in ceremonial rites. You speak brilliant words of wisdom like a sage and guide us.

O! Agni Deva! Protect us from violent and wicked enemies. O! Mighty Lord! Save us from our sins. May our oblations to You be free from defects!. Grant us, Your worshippers, a thousand kinds of wealth.

The Effulgent Agni Deva who is the minister of all ceremonial rites and who invites gods to the same is also the Lord of our house.

The wise Lord knows all living beings and their activities. He guides and instructs them. He is greatly revered by gods and men alike. Agni who abides by truth, satisfies all gods through the sacred of offerings.

95. यत्र क्व च ते मनो दक्षं दधस उत्तरम्।

तत्रा सदः कृणवसे॥

**yatra kva ca te mano daksam dadhasa uttaram |
tatra sadah krnavase || 6.16.17**

O! God of Fire (Agni)! Wheresoever and upon whomsoever your kindness is directed, You make

him eminent. You bestow upon him great vigour.
And in his heart, You make Your own abode.

96. आ ते शुष्मो वृषभ एतु पश्चादोत्तरादधरादा पुरस्तात्।
आ विश्वतो अभि समेत्वर्वाङ्ङिन्द्र द्युम्नं स्वर्वद्धेह्यस्मे॥

a te susmo vrsabha etu pascad ottarad
adharad a purastat |
a visvato abhi sam etv arvan indra dyumnam
svarvad dhehy asme ||

नृवत्त इन्द्र नृतमाभिरुती वंसीमहि वामं श्रोमतेभिः।
ईक्षे हि वस्व उभयस्य राजन्धा रत्नं महि स्थूरं बृहन्तम्॥

nrvat ta indra nrtamabhir uti vamsimahi
vamam sromatebhih |
ikse hi vasva ubhayasya rajan dha ratnam
mahi sthuram brhantam ||

वयं त एभिः पुरुहूत सख्यैः शत्रोः शत्रोरुत्तर इत्त्यामा
घ्नन्तो वृत्राण्युभयानि शूर राया मदेम बृहता त्वोताः॥

vayam ta ebhih puruhuta sakhyaih satroh-
satoror uttara it syama |
ghnanto vrtrany ubhayani sura raya
madema brhata tvotah || 6.19.9,10&13

O! Lord Agni! May the strength - enhancing
might and power of yours come to us from the West,
North, South and East. Let the same reach us from
all quarters. May You confer upon us radiant wealth.

We enjoy the privilege of wealth associated with valor, along with great and famed means of protection from You. You are the Lord of wealth and prosperity here and hereafter. You may be kind enough to confer upon us the best of prosperity.

O! Widely acclaimed Lord Indra! Through good deeds, worship and friendship with You, we may vanquish both internal and external enemies of ours. May we establish our continuous superiority over them!. May we, under Your protection, remain happy with abundant wealth bestowed on us by You!.

97. स नो बोधि पुरएता सुगेषूत दुर्गेषु पथिकृद्विदानः।
ये अश्रमास उरवो वहिष्ठास्तेभिर्न इन्द्राभि वक्षि वाजम्॥
sa no bodhi puraeta sugesuta durgesu
pathikrd vidanah |
ye asramasa uravo vahisthas tebhir na
indrabhi vaksi vajam || 6.21.12

Path-maker and wise Lord Indra! May You be our Guide. Take us through both easy and difficult paths by leading us from the front. Lead Your devotees in accord with tenets of wisdom and along the right path. See that they reach the intended destinations.

With the help of the big, strong and indefatigable steeds of Yours, bring us nourishing food.

98. अध स्मा ते चर्षणयो यदेजानिन्द्र त्रातोत भवा वरुता।
अस्माकासो ये नृतमासो अर्य इन्द्र सूरयो दधिरे पुरो नः॥

**adha sma te carsanayo yad ejan indra
tratota bhava varuta |
asmakaso ye nrtamaso arya indra surayo
dadhire puro nah ||**

एवा नः स्पृधः समजा समत्स्विन्द्र रारन्धि मिथतीरदेवीः।
विद्याम वस्तोरवसा गृणन्तो भरद्वाजा उत त इन्द्र
नूनम्॥

**eva nah sprdhah sam aja samatsv indra
rarandhi mithatir adevih |
vidyama vastor avasa grnanto bharadvaja
uta ta indra nunam || 6.25.7&9**

O! Mighty Lord Indra! Protect all those who tremble with great fear. Guide them in crossing all their difficulties. Uplift them.

Protect also those who are the best of leaders of our society. And guard those worshippers who place wise priests foremost in performance of their sacred rituals.

O! Lord Indra! Inspire us to vanquish our enemies in the battlefield. Destroy completely the malevolent forces conspiring against us. Bestow upon Bharadvajas among us, who always worship you, with good dwellings and ample food.

99. इन्द्र मृळ मह्यं जीवातुमिच्छ चोदय धियमयसो न धाराम्।
यत्किं चाहं त्वायुरिदं वदामि तज्जुषस्व कृधि मा देववन्तम्॥

**indra mrla mahyam jivatam iccha codaya
dhiyam ayaso na dharam |
yat kim caham tvayur idam vadami taj
jusasva krdhi ma devavantam || 6.47.10**

O! Lord Indra! Keep us happy. Bless us with a long life. Inspire our minds to do good deeds. Sharpen my intellect like the edge of an iron sword. Listen to whatever I say out of love for God. Let me live in the company of divinity. Grant me divine energy.

**100. उरुं नो लोकमनु नेषि विद्वान्त्स्वर्वज्ज्योतिरभयं स्वस्ति।
ऋष्या त इन्द्र स्थविरस्य बाहू उप स्थेयाम शरणा बृहन्ता॥
urum no lokam anu nesi vidvan svarvaj
jyotir abhayam svasti |
rsva ta indra sthavirasya bahu upa stheyama
sarana brhanta || 6.47.8**

O! Lord Indra,! You are the most wise. Conduct us to the wide, spacious and favorable world of heaven. Bless us with a state of radiance, happiness, fearlessness and well-being. O! Ancient Lord! May we come and seek the shelter of protective and mighty arms of Yours.

**101. आ यः पप्रौ भानुना रोदसी उभे धूमेन धावते दिवि।
तिरस्तमो ददृश ऊर्म्यास्वा श्यावास्वरुषो वृषा श्यावा अरुषो
वृषा॥**

**a yah paprau bhanuna rodasi ubhe dhumena
dhavate divi |
tiras tamo dadrsa urmyasv a syavasv aruso
vr̥sa syava aruso vr̥sa syava aruso vr̥sa ||**

**बृहद्भिरग्ने अर्चिभिः शुक्रेण देव शोचिषा।
भरद्वाजे समिधानो यविष्ट्य रेवन्नः शुक्र दीदिहि द्युमत्पावक
दीदिहि।**

**brhadbhir agne arcibhih sukrena deva
socisa |
bharadvaje samidhano yavisthya revan nah
sukra didihi dyumat pavaka didihi ||
6.48.6&7**

The effulgent Agent Deva fills earth and heaven with radiance. The great Lord climbs into space with smoke. The dazzling and wish-fulfilling Agni Deva rejects darkness of night, shines brilliantly and spreads illumination in all directions. Let man also become strong, remove darkness of ignorance and illuminate the path of proper conduct for all.

O! Resplendent Lord Agni! When kindled by Bhardwaja, shine brilliantly and with pure lustre. You are always renowned for purification. Make us also radiant and confer riches on us.

**102. यो रजांसि विममे पार्थिवानि त्रिश्चिद्विष्णुर्मनवे बाधिताया
तस्य ते शर्मन्नुपदद्यमाने राया मदेम तन्वा तना च।।**

**yo rajamsi vimame parthivani tris cid visnur
manave badhitaya |
tasya te sarmann upadadyamane raya
madema tanva tana ca ||**

**नु नो रयिं चर्षणिप्रां पुरुवीरं मह ऋतस्य गोपाम्।
क्षयं दाताजरं येन जनान्त्सृधो अदेवीरभि च क्रमाम विश
आदेवीरभ्यश्नवामा।**

**nu no rayim rathyam carsanipram
puruviram maha rtasya gopam |
ksayam datajaram yena janan sprdho
adevir abhi ca kramama visa adevir abhy
asnavama || 6.49.13&15**

Lord Vishnu has occupied the three worlds thrice for removing the sorrows created by demons for people. O! Lord Vishnu! In the same way, we may live happily along with our children and grand children in the dwellings granted by You for us. May we be free from poverty and disease.

O! Gods! Confer on us good chariots, warriors, a large number of children and abundant wealth that helps us in protection of truth. Grant us also a strong house that is free from decay and deterioration. With the help of such wealth and house, we will defeat our enemies and malevolent forces decisively. Give us whatever wealth and dwelling divine people seek in life.

103. द्यौष्पितः पृथिवि मातरध्रुगग्ने भ्रातर्वसवो मृळता नः।
विश्व आदित्या अदिते सजोषा अस्मभ्यं शर्म बहुलं वि यन्ता।
dyaus pitah prthivi matar adhrug agne
bhratar vasavo mrlata nah |
visva aditya adite sajosa asmabhyam sarma
bahulam vi yanta ||

मा नो वृकाय वृक्ये समस्मा अघायते रीरधता यजत्राः।
यूयं हि ष्ठा रथ्यो नस्तनूनां यूयं दक्षस्य वचसो बभूव।।
ma no vrkaya vrkye samasma aghayate
riradhata yajatrah |
yuyam hi stha rathyo nas tanunam yuyam
daksasya vacaso babhuva || 6.51.5&6

The Heaven that gives us rain and thus food for nourishment is our father; and the innocent and affectionate Earth that treats all living beings as equal is our mother. And Agni Deva that helps all is our brother. May all these Gods together keep us most comfortable and happy!.

O! Mighty and all-powerful Gods! Never let us go into the hands of cunning and evil-minded people who are like wolves. May we not go into the control of sinners either!. You are Lords of our bodies. You, may, therefore, nourish our bodies and strengthen them.

104. नम इदुग्रं नम आ विवासे नमो दाधार पृथिवीमुत्त द्याम्।
नमो देवेभ्यो नम ईश एषां कृतं चिदेनो नमसा विवासे।।

nama id ugram nama a vivase namo
dadhara prthivim uta dyam |
namo devebhyo nama isa esam krtam cid
eno namasa vivase ||

ते न इन्द्रः पृथिवी क्षाम वर्धन्यूषा अदितिः पञ्च जनाः।
सुशर्माणः स्ववसः सुनीथा भवन्तु नः सुत्रात्रासः सुगोपाः॥
te na indrah prthivi ksama vardhan pusa
bhago aditih panca janah |
susarmanah svavasah sunitha bhavantu nah
sutrattrasah sugopah ||

यूयं हि ष्टा सुदानव इन्द्रज्येष्ठा अभिद्यूवः।
कर्ता नो अध्वन्ना सुगं गोपा अमा॥

yuyam hi stha sudanava indrajyestha
abhidyavah |
karta no adhvanna a sugam gopa ama ||

अपि पन्थामगन्महि स्वस्तिगामनेहसम्।
येन विश्वाः परि द्विषो वृणक्ति विन्दते वसु॥

api pantham aganmahi svastigam anehasam |
yena visvah pari dviso vrnakti vindate vasu ||
6.51.8,11,15&16

Reverence is a tradition of the highest significance in the world. I, therefore, offer salutations to all. Reverence alone sustains the Earth and Heaven. It is through reverence that Gods are favourably disposed to the devotees and grant them their

blessings. By offering devotion, worship and reverence to Gods, I destroy the ill-effect of sins committed by me.

Lord Indra, Earth, Pusha, Bhaga, Aditi and Pancha Jan grant prosperity to all. May they give us home, well-being and guidance for progress on the right path. May they be our Protectors at all times.

Lord Indra, the best and most effulgent of Gods, grants generous boons to people. A man endowed with brilliance by divinity becomes the distinguished among all. O! Gods! Make our path easier. O! Protectors! Make our homes happy.

105. विश्वदानीं सुमनसः स्याम पश्येम नु सूर्यमुच्चरन्तम्।

तथा करद्वसुपतिर्वसूनां देवाँ ओहानोऽवसागमिष्टः॥

visvadanim sumanasah syama pasyema nu

suryam uccarantam |

tatha karad vasupatir vasunam devam

ohano vasagamisthah ||

इन्द्रो नेदिष्टमवसागमिष्टः सरस्वती सिन्धुभिः पिन्वमाना।

पर्जन्यो न ओषधीभिर्मयोभुरग्निः सुशंसः सुहवः पितेवा॥

indro nedistham avasagamisthah sarasvati

sindhubhah pinvamana |

parjanya na osadhibhir mayobhur agnih

susamsah suhavaah piteva ||

विश्वे देवास आ गत शृणुता म इमं हवम्।

एदं बर्हिर्नि षीदत॥

**visve devasa a gata srnuta ma imam havam |
edam barhir ni sidata || 6.52.5,6&7**

May we, at all seasons, be possessed of good minds. Let us always reflect on the most noble thoughts. May we, forever, behold the rising Sun in the sky. The God of Wealth, who favours the wise may come to us and grant us His protection.

May Lord Indra come to us most promptly, with all His instruments of protection. May the river Saraswati, in full flow, with waters drawn from Her sources, protect us!. May Parjanya, the God of clouds, grant us happiness by helping medicinal herbs grow well!.

May venerable Agni, God of Fire, in a state of ease and quiet joy, call us like a father.

O! Gods! Hear our invocation. Come and sit at the place of sacred fire.

106. वयमु त्वा पथस्पते रथे न वाजसातये।
धिये पूषन्नयुज्महि॥

**vayam u tva pathas pate ratham na vajasataye |
dhiye pusann ayujmahi ||**

अदित्सन्तं चिदाघृणे पूषन्दानाय चोदय।
पणेशिचद्वि म्रदा मनः॥

**aditsantam cid aghrne pusan danaya codaya |
panes cid vi mrada manah ||**

वि पूषन्नारया तुद पणेरिच्छ हृदि प्रियम्।
अथेमस्मभ्यं रन्धया॥

**vi pusann araya tuda paner iccha hrdi priyam |
athem asmabhyam randhaya || 6.53.1,3&6**

O! Pushan (Sun God)! You are the Guard and Guide to the right path in life! We latch on to you as one does to a chariot. You bring us food and direct our mind towards meritorious deeds.

O! Effulgent Lord Pushan! Inspire a niggardly person to be generous. Let him give money liberally to those deserving it.

Soften the heart of a miser who has the narrow mind of a tight-fisted businessman.

O! Nourishing God Pushan! Pierce an avaricious man with your goad and prod him to do beneficial things for all people. Let him not give sorrow to others for his own gain. For the sake of the devout and good, eliminate enemies who torment the world with their cruel acts.

107. सं पूषन्विदुषा नय यो अञ्जसानुशासति।

य एवेदमिति ब्रवत्॥

**sam pusan vidusa naya yo anjasanusasati |
ya evedam iti bravat ||**

समु पूष्णा गमेमहि यो गृह्णँ अभिशासति।

इम एवेति च ब्रवत्॥

**sam u pusna gamemahi yo grham abhisasati |
ima eveti ca bravat ||**

शृण्वन्तं पूषणं वयमिर्यमनष्टवेदसम्।
ईशानं राय ईमहे॥

**srbvatam pusanam vayam iryam
anastavedasam|**

isanam raya imahe || 6.54.1,2&8

O! Nourishing God Pushan! Bring us into contact with a wise and learned man who faithfully explains to us what the right path actually is and directs us into it.

Pushan regulates the whole world as the Lord of the house. He points to us the social norms and rules. May we follow the path shown by Him.

We worship Lord Pushan (Sun God) who listens to our prayers and who keeps infinite and indestructible wealth with Him. May He be kind to favour us with such great riches!.

108. इन्द्रा नु पूषणा वयं सख्याय स्वस्तये।

हुवेम वाजसातये॥

**indra nu pusana vayam sakhyaya svastaye |
huvema vajasataye ||**

तां पूष्णः सुमतिं वयं वृक्षस्य प्र वयामिव।
इन्द्रस्य चा रभामहे॥

**tam pusnah sumatim vayam vrksasya pra
vayam iva |
indrasya ca rabhamahe || 6.57.1&5**

We, worshippers, invite Lord Indra and Lord Pushan to be with us for the sake of friendship and well-being of ours. May they bestow upon us strength, wealth and food!.

We depend on Lord Indra and Lord Pushan for their wisdom just as the branches cling to a tree. We live under the shelter of their Guidance.

**109. आपप्रुषी पार्थिवान्युरु रजो अन्तरिक्षम्।
सरस्वती निदस्यात्॥**

**apaprusi parthivany uru rajo antariksam |
sarasvati nidas patu ||**

**त्रिषधस्था सप्तधातुः पञ्च जाता वर्धयन्ती।
वाजेवाजे हव्या भूत्॥**

**trisadhastha saptadhatuh panca jata
vardhayanti |
vaje-vaje havya bhut || 6.61.11&12**

May Goddess Saraswati that bestows wealth on all living beings on this earth and spreads Her radiance in the vast expanse of space, protect us from all those that revile us.

Goddess Saraswati resides in three places (e.g earth, space and heaven), manifests in seven

elements (e.g saptaswaras or seven distinct notes of the octave) and takes birth in five classes (e.g five senses). May She be ever invoked by us in oblations to the Supreme Being and in every battle of life!.

110. त्रिषधस्था सप्तधातुः पञ्च जाता वर्धयन्ती।

वाजेवाजे हव्या भूत्।

trisadhastha saptadhatuh panca jata

vardhayanti |

vaje-vaje havya bhut ||

प्र या महिम्ना महिनासु चेकिते द्युम्नेभिरन्या अपसामपस्तमा।
रथ इव बृहती विश्वने कृतोपस्तुत्या चिकितुषा सरस्वती॥

pra ya mahimna mahinasu cekite

dyumnebhira anya apasam apastama |

ratha iva brhati vibhvane krtopastutya

cikitunga sarasvati ||

सरस्वत्यभि नो नेषि वस्यो माप स्फरीः पयसा मा न आ धक्।
जुषस्व नः सख्या वेश्या च मा त्वक्षेत्राण्यरणानि गन्मा॥

sarasvaty abhi no neso vasyo mapa spharih

payasa ma na a dhak |

jusasva nah sakhya vesya ca ma tvat

ksetranya aranani ganma || 6.61.12,13&14

Goddess Saraswati who originates in three sources, who comprises seven elements and who blesses the five classes of people, is invoked by us in every battle and praised in every deed of merit.

Distinguished by majesty and eminence among mighty Gods, swifter than other rapid rivers, created vast for victory like Brahma's chariot, Goddess Saraswati is praised by all sages.

O Goddess Saraswati! Lead us to precious wealth and prosperity that we see. May Your swift-flowing waters not cause trouble to us. Do not keep us at a distance. Accept our service, prayers and friendship. May we never go far afield leaving you behind.

111. प्र णो देवी सरस्वती वाजेभिर्वाजिनीवती।

धीनामवित्र्यवतु॥

pra no devi sarasvati vajebhir vajinivati |
dhinam avitry avatu ||

यस्या अनन्तो अहुतस्त्वेषश्चरिष्णुर्णवः।
अमश्चरति रोरुवत्॥

yasya ananto ahutas tvesas carisnur
arnavah |

amas carati roruvat || 6.61.4&8

May the divine Saraswati, with her fast-flowing and mighty currents rule our minds. Rich in her bounty, She may protect us well and give us sustenance.

The divine Saraswati, whose infinite, oceanic form can not be stolen by any one and who resides

and moves within us with a mighty roar, may always guard us.

112. ब्राह्मणासः पितरः सोम्यासः शिवे नो द्यावापृथिवी अनेहसा।
पूषा नः पातु दुरितादृतावृधो रक्षा माकिर्नो अघशंस ईशत॥

brahmanasah pitarah somyasah sive no
dyavaprthivi anehasa |
pusa nah patu duritad rtavrdho raksa makir
no aghasamsa isata ||

ऋजीते परि वृद्धि नोऽश्मा भवतु नस्तनूः।
सोमो अधि ब्रवीतु नोऽदितिः शर्म यच्छतु॥

rjite pari vrndhi no sma bhavatu nas tanuh |
somo adhi bravitu no ditih sarma yacchatu ||
6.75.10&12

May Brahmanasa, the progenitors, presenters of Soma juice and the followers of truth, protect us! May the beneficial and faultless heaven and earth be propitious to us! May Pushan preserve us from misfortune! May no evil-minded man ever be our master!

May the straight-flying arrow defend us! May our bodies be as strong as the stone! May Soma Deva encourage us and enhance our enthusiasm! May Aditi grant us success and happiness!

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MANDALA 7

113. इमे हि ते ब्रह्मकृतः सुते सचा मधौ न मक्ष आसते।
इन्द्रे कामं जरितारो वसूयवो रथे न पादमा दधुः॥

ime hi te brahmakrtah sute saca madhau
na maksa asate |
indre kamam jaritaro vasuyavo rathe na
padam a dadhuh ||

रायस्कामो वज्रहस्तं सुदक्षिणं पुत्रो न पितरं हुवे॥

rayaskamo vajrahastam sudaksinam putro
na pitaram huve || 7.32.2&3

At the time of extracting Soma juice for sacred rituals, the participants may sit together like honeybees sitting around honey. Those of worshippers who seek wealth keep faith in Indra like a sure foot placed on a chariot.

Just as a son asks his father, I implore the generous Lord Indra, who is the wielder of Vajrayudha (Thunderbolt) for favouring us with wealth.

114. शं न इन्द्राग्नी भवतामवोभिः शं न इन्द्रावरुणा रतहव्या।
शमिन्द्रासोमा सुविताय शं योः शं न इन्द्रापूषणा वाजसातौ॥

sam na indragni bhavatam avobhih sam na
indravaruna ratahavya |
sam indrasoma suvitaya sam yoh sam na
indrapusana vajasatau ||

शं नो भगः शमु नः शंसो अस्तु शं नः पुरंधिः शमु सन्तु
रायः।

शं नः सत्यस्य सुयमस्य शंसः शं नो अर्यमा पुरुजातो
अस्तु॥

sam no bhagah sam u nah samso astu sam
nah puramdhih sam u santu rayah |
sam nah satyasya suyamasya samsah sam
no aryama purujato astu ||

शं नो धाता शमु धर्ता नो अस्तु शं न उरुची भवतु
स्वधाभिः।

शं रोदसी बृहती शं नो अद्रिः शं नो देवानां सुहवानि
सन्तु॥

sam no dhata sam u dharta no astu sam na
uruci bhavatu svadhabhih |
sam rodasi brhati sam no adrih sam no
devanam suhavani santu || 7.35.1,2&3

May Lord Indra and Lord Agni protect us!. May they give us peace!. May Lord Indra and Lord Varuna to whom we offer oblations in sacred fire, bestow upon us happiness!. May Lord Indra and Lord Soma confer upon us joy and well-being!. May Lord Indra and Pusha grant us success and happiness in our struggles!.

May Lord Bhaga give us peace and happiness!. May Samsa grant us peace and happiness!. May wisdom be with us for peace and happiness!. May

all kinds of wealth that we have, give us peace and happiness!. May the best spoken and understood words of truth give us peace and happiness!. May the much-praised Lord Aryaman give us peace and happiness!

May the Supreme Lord that creates and sustains us grant us peace and happiness!. May the wide Earth and vast Heaven give us peace and happiness!. May the mountains give us peace and happiness!. May our pious invocations of the gods secure us peace and happiness!

115. शं नो देवा विश्वदेवा भवन्तु शं सरस्वती सह धीभिस्तु।
शमभिषाचः शमु रातिषाचः शं नो दिव्याः पार्थिवाः शं नो
अप्याः॥

sam no deva visvadeva bhavantu sam
sarasvati saha dhibhir astu |
sam abhisacah sam u ratisacah sam no
divyah parthivah sam no apyah ||

शं नः सत्यस्य पतयो भवन्तु शं नो अर्वन्तः शतु सन्तु
गावः।

शं न ऋभवः सुकृतः सुहस्ताः शं नो भवन्तु पितरो
हवेषु॥

sam nah satyasya patayo bhavantu sam no
arvantah sam u santu gavah |
sam na rbhavah sukrtah suhastah sam no
bhavantu pitaro haveesu ||

May all the radiant Gods grant us peace and happiness!. May Goddess Saraswati, along with Her wisdom, bestow upon us peace and happiness. May those divinities, who serve the sacred cause of sacrificial fire, confer peace and happiness upon us!. May those, who generously donate their wealth to others, favour us with peace and happiness!. May those divinities who originate in heaven, earth and water, give us peace and happiness!.

May the Lords of Truth grant us peace and happiness!. May the horses and cows give us peace and happiness!.

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116. शं नो अग्निर्ज्योतिरनीको अस्तु शं नो मित्रावरुणावश्विना

शम्।

शं नः सुकृतां सुकृतानि सन्तु शं न इषिरो अभि वातु

वातः।

sam no agnir jyotiraniko astu sam no

mitravarunav asvina sam |

sam nah sukrtam sukrtani santu sam na

isiro abhi vatu vatah ||

शं नो द्यावापृथिवी पूर्वहूतौ शमन्तरिक्षं दृशये नो अस्तु।
शं न ओषधीर्वनिनो भवन्तु शं नो रजसस्पतिरस्तु जिष्णुः॥

**sam no dyavaprthivi purvahutau sam
antariksam drsaye no astu |
sam na osadhir vanino bhavantu sam no
rajasas patir astu jisnuh || 7.35.4&5**

May Agni, the God of Fire, whose very countenance is Effulgence, give us peace and happiness! May Lord Mitra and Lord Varuna confer peace and happiness upon us! May the twin Ashwin gods grant us peace and happiness! May the noble deeds of the pious bestow peace and happiness upon us! May the ever-blowing Lord Vayu bring peace and happiness to us!.

May heaven and earth, worshipped first, give us peace and happiness! May the firmament, on being viewed, give us peace and happiness! May the herbs and trees give us peace and happiness! May the victorious Sovereign of the world, Lord Indra, be favourable to us!.

117. शं नो अदितिर्भवतु व्रतेभिः शं नो भवन्तु मरुतः स्वर्काः।
शं नो विष्णुः शमु पूषा नो अस्तु शं नो भवित्रं शम्बस्तु
वायुः॥

**sam no aditir bhavatu vratabhiih sam no
bhavantu marutah svarkah |
sam no visnuh sam u pusa no astu sam no
bhavitram sam v astu vayuh ||**

शं नो देवः सविता त्रायमाणः शं नो भवन्तूषसो विभातीः।
शं नः पर्जन्यो भवतु प्रजाभ्यः शं नः क्षेत्रस्य पतिरस्तु शम्भुः॥

**sam no devah savita trayamanah sam no
bhavantusaso vibhatih |
sam nah parjanya bhavatu prajabhyah sam
nah ksetrasya patir astu sambhuh ||
7.35.9&10**

May Aditi, with her observance of penance and vows, give us peace and happiness! May the most effulgent Marut give us peace and happiness! May Lord Vishnu give us peace and happiness! May Lord Pushan give us peace and happiness! May the world give us peace and happiness! May Lord Vayu, the God of Wind, give us peace and happiness.

Protector Lord Savita may give us peace and happiness! May the most radiant Dawns break for our peace and happiness! May Lord Parjanya, the God of Clouds give us as well as our progeny peace and happiness! May Shambhu, symbol of strength and the one who presides over the country's welfare give us peace and happiness!

118. आ देवो यातु सविता सुरत्नोऽन्तरिक्षप्रा वहमानो अश्वैः।
हस्ते दधानो नर्या पुरुणि निवेशयञ्च प्रसुवञ्च भूमा

**a devo yatu savita suratno ntariksapra
vahamano asvaih |
haste dadhano narya puruni nivesayan ca
prasuvan ca bhuma ||**

उदस्य बाहू शिथिरा बृहन्ता हिरण्यया दिवो अन्ताँ अनष्टाम्।
नूनं सो अस्य महिमा पनिष्ट सूरश्चिदस्मा अनु दादपस्याम्॥
ud asya bahu sithira brhanta hiranyaya divo
antam anastam |
nunam so asya mahima panista suras cid
asma anu dad apasyam ||

स घा नो देवः सविता सहावा साविषद्वसुपतिर्वसूनि।
विश्रयमाणो अमतिमुरुचीं मर्तभोजनमध रासते नः॥
sa gha no devah savita sahava savisad
vasupatir vasuni |
visrayamano amatim urucim
martabhojanam adha rasate nah ||
7.45.1,2&3

Savita (Sun God), borne by steeds and possessed of precious treasures fills the firmament with radiance. May He come here, holding in His hands, many things good for man, both tranquillising all living beings at night and awakening them during day.

May the golden arms of Savita, which are vast extend to the ends of sky!. His greatness is glorified by us. May that Surya Deva bless and inspire us to do auspicious deeds!.

May the strong and mighty God Savita, the Lord of wealth, grant us treasures!. May God Savita, the embodiment of great lustre, bestow on mortals the food for sustenance!.

119. स हि क्षयेण क्षम्यस्य जन्मनः साम्राज्येन दिव्यस्य चेतति।
अवन्नवन्तीरुप नो दुरश्चरानमीवो रुद्र जासु नो भवा॥

sa hi ksayena ksamyasya janmanah
samrajyena divyasya cetati |
avann avantir upa no duras caranamivo
rudra jasu no bhava ||

या ते दिद्यूदवसृष्टा दिवस्परि क्षमया चरति परि सा
वृणक्तु नः।
सहस्रं ते स्वपिवात भेषजा मा नस्तोकेषु तनयेषु रीरिषः॥

ya te didyud avasrsta divas pari ksmaya
carati pari sa vrnaktu nah |
sahasram te svapivata bhesaja ma nas
tokesu tanayesu ririsah ||

उमा नो वधी रुद्र मा परा दा मा ते भूम प्रसितौ हीळितस्य।
आ नो भज बर्हिषि जीवशंसे यूयं पात स्वस्तिभिः सदा नः॥

ma no vadhi rudra ma para da ma te bhuma
prasitau hilitasya |
a no bhaja barhisi jivasamse yuyam pata
svastibhih sada nah || 7.46.2,3&4

Lord Rudra rules over living beings of this earth; He exercises sovereignty over divinities of heaven above. O! Rudra Deva! Protect those that support and help us. Come to our doorstep. We gladly welcome You. Keep us free from disease.

May the blazing weapon unleashed by You from heaven traverse the earth but not fall on us. The strong and powerful Rudra, equal to Vayu Deva, the God of Wind, has thousands of medicines and medicinal herbs with Him. O! Lord! Bless us. May we and our progeny suffer no loss or decay!.

O! Rudra Deva! Slay us not! Desert us not. May we not fall under your bond when You are angry. May we be partakers in all life-enhancing sacrificial rituals!. May You always keep us under Your protection through blessings and auspicious activities!.

120. आदित्यासो अदितयः स्याम पूर्वेवत्रा वसवो मर्त्यत्रा।

सनेम मित्रावरुणा सनन्तो भवेम द्यावापृथिवी भवन्तः॥

adityaso aditayah syama pur devatra vasavo

martyatra |

sanema mitravaruna sananto bhavema

dyavaprthivi bhavantah ||

मित्रस्तन्नो वरुणो मामहन्त शर्म तोकाय तनयाय गोपाः।

मा वो भुजेमान्यजातमेनो मा तत्कर्म वसवो यच्चयध्वे॥

mitras tan no varuno mamahanta sarma

tokaya tanayaya gopah |

ma vo bhujemanyajatam eno ma tat karma

vasavo yac cayadhve ||

तुरण्यवोऽङ्गिरसो नक्षन्त रत्नं देवस्य सवितुरियानाः।

पिता च तन्नो महान्यजत्रो विश्वे देवाः समनसो जुषन्त॥

**turanyavo ngiraso naksanta ratnam
devasya savitur iyanah |
pita ca tan no mahan yajatro visve devah
samanaso jusanta || 7.52.1,2&3**

O Adityas, may we never remain poor, miserable or dependent! O Vasus, may Your protection extend to us, humans! May Mitra and Varuna Devas, ever served by us, grant us wealth and well-being! May we, the Earth and Heaven exist through Your favour!.

May Mitra and Varuna Devas grant us felicity! May the Protectors of world, confer happiness and well-being upon our children and grandchildren! May we not reap the consequences of the crimes and offences committed by others! O Vasus, may we never do acts that get punished by You.

The ever-prompt Angirasa worships God Savita and obtains precious wealth from Him. May our holy and great Father as well as all Gods of the world, with one mind, grant us this favour!.

**121. त्र्यम्बकं यजामहे सुगन्धिं पुष्टिवर्धनम्।
उर्वारुकमिव बन्धनान्मृत्योर्मुक्षीय मामृतात्॥**

**tryambakam yajamahe sugandhim
pustivardhanam |
urvarukam iva bandhanan mrtyor muksiya
mamrtat || 7.59.12**

We worship Lord Thryambaka, the three-eyed Shiva, famed for celestial fragrance and sweet

augmenter of our prosperity and nourishment. As from its stem the cucumber, so may I be released by Lord from death, not bereft of Immortality but in unity with It.

122. तच्चक्षुर्देवहितं शुक्रमुच्चरत्।

पश्येम शरदः शतं जीवेम शरदः शतम्॥

**tac caksur devahitam sukram uccarat |
pasyema saradah satam jivema saradah**

satam || 7.66.16

Surya Deva (Sun God), who is the most powerful divine, who is the pure eye of the world and who is the most beneficial of gods, rises in the East in front of our eyes. May we see Him a hundred years!. May we live a hundred years!.

123. व्युषा आवो दिविजा ऋतेनाविष्कृण्वाना महिमानमागात्।

अप द्रुहस्तम आवरजुष्टमङ्गिरस्तमा पथ्या अजीगः॥

**vy usa avo divija rtenaviskrnvana
mahimanam agat |
apa druhas tama avar ajustam angirastama
pathya ajigah ||**

महे नो अद्य सुविताय बोध्युषो महे सौभगाय प्र यन्धि।
चित्रं रयिं यशसं धेह्यस्मे देवि मर्तेषु मानुषि श्रवस्युम्॥

**mahe no adya suvitaya bodhy uso mahe
saubhagaya pra yandhi |
citram rayim yasasam dhehy asme devi
martesu manusi sravasyum ||**

सत्या सत्येभिर्महती महद्भिर्देवी देवेभिर्यजता यजत्रैः।
रुजद्दृहानि दददुस्त्रियाणां प्रति गाव उषसं वावशन्त॥

**satya satyebhir mahati mahadbhir devi
devebhir yajata yajatraih |
rujad drlhani dadad usriyanam prati gava
usasam vasasanta || 7.75.1,2&7**

Usha, the heavenly Dawn, rises on the horizon. She spreads magnificent effulgence of Hers all around. She destroys our foes and dispels the odious darkness. She illuminates the path of wisdom to be trodden by men.

May You awake, Goddess Usha for our sake!. May You confer upon us well-being and progress!. Bestow on us the best of riches and reputation. As the divine benefactress of humanity, grant us ample food and the best of progeny that enhances our fame.

She is true with the truthful, great with the great and venerable with the venerable. The divine Usha, in the company with other deities, dispels darkness. She lights up pastures for the cattle. All living beings, especially cattle, eagerly long for the dawn.

124. उदु ज्योतिरमृतं विश्वजन्यं विश्वानरः सविता देवो अश्रेत्।
क्रत्वा देवानामजनिष्ट चक्षुराविरकर्भुवनं विश्वमुषाः॥

**ud u jyotir amrtam visvajanyam visvanarah
savita devo asret |
kratva devanam ajanista caksur avir
bhuvanam visvam usah || 7.76.1**

Savita, God of all, radiates immortal light that does beneficial and auspicious work for all. The eye of the Divine manifests for celebration of religious rites. Sun God is the very epitome of effulgence. Usha, the Dawn, too brightens the world.

125. प्र मे पन्था देवयाना अहश्चन्नमर्धन्तो वसुभिरिष्कृतासः।
अभूद् केतुरुषसः पुरस्तात्प्रतीच्यागादधि हर्म्येभ्यः॥

pra me pantha devayana adrsrann
amardhanto vasubhir iskrtasah |
abhud u ketur usasah purastat praticy agad
adhi harmyebhyah ||

त इद्देवानां सधमाद आसन्नृतावानः कवयः पूर्व्यासः।
गूळ्हं ज्योतिः पितरो अन्वविन्दन्त्सत्यमन्त्रा अजनयन्नुषासम्॥

ta id devanam sadhamada asann rtavanah
kavayah purvyasah |
gulham jyotih pitaro anv avindam
satyamantra ajanayann usasam ||

एषा नेत्री राधसः सूनृतानामुषा उच्छन्ती रिभ्यते वसिष्ठैः।
दीर्घश्रुतं रयिमस्मे दधाना यूयं पात स्वस्तिभिः सदा नः॥

esa netri radhasah sunrtanam usa ucchanti
ribhyate vasisthah |
dirghasrutam rayim asme dadhana yuyam
pata svastibhih sada nah || 7.76.2,4&7

With the aid of effulgent Dawn, I could see the peaceful and radiant path leading to gods. I could clearly see the resplendent flag of light of Ushas (Dawn) fluttering in the East. Ushas is shining brilliantly over several lofty buildings in the East.

Our forefathers, the ancient sages, practised truth. Their sacred words became real in life. Like a father to his child, they taught and directed people on exemplary conduct. They sat along side gods and enjoyed drinking of the nectarine Soma juice. They had seen the hidden light of Sun and declared the breaking of Dawn to people.

The Dawn is always so magnificent that it inspires poets and Vasishthas who sing hymns in praise of Ushas, to speak auspicious words. She dispels darkness and radiates light everywhere. She confers on us much admired and bounteous wealth. May Goddess Ushas always protect us with the greatest of means at Her command!.

126. विश्वं प्रतीची सप्रथा उदस्थाद्दुशद्वासो बिभ्रती शुक्रमश्वैत्।
हिरण्यवर्णा सुदृशीकसंहृग्गवां माता नेत्र्यस्नामरोचि।।

visvam pratici sapratha ud asthad rusad
vaso bibhrati sukram asvait |
hiranyavarna sudrsikasamdr̥g gavam mata
netry ahnam aroci ||

अन्तिवामा दूरे अमित्रमुच्छोर्वी गव्यूतिमभयं कृधी नः।
यावय द्वेष आ भरा वसूनि चोदय राधो गृणते मघोनि।।

**antivama dure amitram ucchorvim
gavyutim abhayam krdhi nah |
yavaya dvesa a bhara vasuni codaya radho
grnate maghoni || 7.77.2&4**

The most famed Usha, the Dawn, has risen in the East. Robed in spotlessly clean and bright vesture, she advances far and wide. The effulgent Usha, shining in golden hue, looks after cows like a mother. She commences the day and acts as a guide to people.

O! Goddess Usha! You bring riches near us and keep the enemies away from us. Make this vast land free from peril and remove those who hate us. Pour wealth on us, especially those who always sing Your praises.

127. अव द्रुग्धानि पित्र्या सृजा नोऽव या वयं चकृमा तनूभिः।
अव राजन्यशुतृपं न तायुं सृजा वत्सं न दाम्नो वसिष्ठम्॥

**ava drugdhani pitrya srja no va ya vayam
cakrma tanubhih |
ava rajan pasutrpam na tayum srja vatsam
na damno vasistham ||**

न स स्वो दक्षो वरुण ध्रुतिः सा सुरा मन्युर्विभीदको अचित्तिः।
अस्ति ज्यायान्कनीयस उपारे स्वप्नश्चनेदनृतस्य प्रयोता॥

**na sa svo dakso varuna dhrutih sa sura
manyur vibhidako acittih |
asti jyayan kaniyasa upare svapnas caned
anrtasya prayota || 7.86.5&6**

O! Lord Varuna! Redeem us from the adverse impact of sins, if any, committed by our forefathers. Similarly, pardon us for the sins committed by our own bodies in this birth and free us from the impact thereof. Just as one avoids a thief who gives grass to stolen cattle for satisfying it, keep the noble persons away from sin in the same way.

O! Lord Varuna! Our own strength, even if not originally inclined toward commission of sins, tends to go astray when obstacles crop up in the path of progress. Liquor, anger, temptation, gambling, ignorance, indiscretion and indifference to duty - all these push one toward committing sins. Sometimes, the old influence the young to do wrong things. Sleep and lethargy also make one inclined toward falsehood and sinning. Let us be alert about all these pitfalls.

128. न स स्वो दक्षो वरुण ध्रुतिः सा सुरा मन्युर्विभीदको
अचित्तिः।

अस्ति ज्यायान्कनीयस उपारे स्वप्नश्चनेदनृतस्य प्रयोता॥

na sa svo dakso varuna dhrutih sa sura
manyur vibhidako acittih |
asti jyayan kaniyasa upare svapnas caned
anrtasya prayota || 7.86.6

O! Varuna Deva, it is not our own choice, power or will but destiny that causes us to go astray or commit misdeeds. Liquor, anger, gambling, and ignorance prevent exercise of right judgement and

compel us to commit sinful acts. Sometimes, the superior person, because of his proximity, wants your downfall and makes you go astray or do evil acts. Oversleep and lethargy provoke you to be untruthful and commit immoral or wrong things.

129. अरं दासो न मीळ्हुषे कराण्यहं देवाय भूर्णयेऽनागाः।

अचेतयदचितो देवो अर्यो गृत्सं राये कवितरो जुनाति॥

aram daso na milhuse karany aham devaya
bhurnaye nagah |
acetayad acito devo aryo grtsam raye
kavitaro junati ||

अयं सु तुभ्यं वरुण स्वधावो हृदि स्तोम उपश्रितश्चिदस्तु।
शं नः क्षेमे शमु योगे नो अस्तु यूयं पात स्वस्तिभिः सदा नः॥

ayam su tubhyam varuna svadhavo hrdi
stoma upasritas cid astu |
sam nah kseme sam u yoge no astu yuyam
pata svastibhah || 7.86.7&8

Making myself sinless, I bow down to Lord Varuna who nourishes His devotees, protects them and fulfils their legitimate aspirations. I serve the Supreme Lord as a faithful servant. He inspires and guides the ignorant in the right direction. He, particularly, prods the wise devotee who prays to Him, toward great riches and prosperity.

This prayer in praise of Lord Varuna who confers the wealth of food on His devotees, may yet remain the best in our hearts. May this strike a

harmonic chord in You. May our well-being be rooted in auspiciousness!. May our gains from labour also be based on an auspicious foundation. O Lord Varuna! May You always protect us with auspicious means of well-being!.

130. क्रत्वः समह दीनता प्रतीपं जगमा शुचे।

मृळा सुक्षत्र मृळय॥

kratvah samaha dinata pratipam jagama suce |
mrla suksatra mrlaya ||

अपां मध्ये तस्थिवांसं तृष्णाविदज्जरितारम्।

मृळा सुक्षत्र मृळय॥

apam madhye tasthivamsam trsnavidaj
jaritaram |

mrla suksatra mrlaya || 7.89.3&4

यत्किं चेदं वरुण दैव्ये जनेऽभिद्रोहं मनुष्याश्चरामसि।

अचित्ती यत्तव धर्मा युयोपिम मा नस्तस्मादेनसो देव रीरिषः॥

yat kim cedam varuna daivye jane

bhidroham ma |

acitti yat tava dharma yuyopima ma nas

tasmad enaso deva ririsah || 7.89.5

Opulent and pure Varuna Deva, even if I have done what is contrary to law, due to my own infirmities and karmic law, grant me happiness. Possessor of Wealth, grant me comfort and happiness.

Thirst distresses thy worshipper though he stood in the midst of water-fjords: Have mercy, spare me, Mighty Lord. Grant me happiness.

O Varuna, whatever the offence we, as men, may commit against the heavenly beings, and when, through our want of thought, we violate divine laws, punish us not, O God, for such transgressions.

131. संवत्सरं शशयाना ब्राह्मणा व्रतचारिणः।

वाचं पर्जन्यजिन्वितां प्र मण्डूका अवादिषुः॥

samvatsaram sasayana brahmana

vratacarinah |

vacam parjanyaajin vitam pra manduka

avadisuh ||

दिव्या आपो अभि यदेनमायन्दृतिं न शुष्कं सरसी शयानम्।
गवामह न मायुर्वत्सिनीनां मण्डूकानां वग्नुरत्रा समेति॥

divya apo abhi yad enam ayan drtim na

suskam sarasi sayanam |

gavam aha na mayur vatsininam

mandukanam vagnur atra sam eti ||

यदीमेनाँ उशतो अभ्यवर्षीत्तृष्यावतः प्रावृष्यागतायाम्।
अखल्लीकृत्या पितरं न पुत्रो अन्यो अन्यमुप वदन्तमेति॥

yad im enam usato abhy avarsit trsyavatah

pravrsy agatayam |

akhkhalikrtya pitaram na putro anyo

anyam upa vadantam eti || 7.103.1,2&3

Priests, while observing vows and practicing penance, remain hidden for a year or so. In the same way, frogs, Lying still in ground for long, come out and make sounds in praise of Lord Parjanya, the rain-God during the rainy season.

When the rain-waters of heaven fall down on earth, these frogs sleeping like dried skin bags in the parched lakebed, start croaking in musical concert like cows lowing in the company of their calves.

When the rain pours down on these thirsty frogs, one greets the other in a congratulatory mood, like a child calling his father in joy.

132. गोमायुरेको अजमायुरेकः पृश्निरेको हरित एक एषाम्।
समानं नाम बिभ्रतो विरुपाः पुरुत्रा वाचं पिपिशुर्वदन्तः॥

gomayur eko ajamayur ekah prsnir eko
harita eka esam |
samanam nama bibhrato virupah purutra
vacam pipisur vadantah ||

गोमायुरदादजमायुरदात्पृश्निरदाद्धरितो नो वसूनि।
गवां मण्डूका ददतः शतानि सहस्रसावे प्र तिरन्त आयुः॥
gomayur adad ajamayur adat prsnir adad
dharito no vasuni |
gavam manduka dadatah satani
sahasrasave pra tiranta ayuh || 7.103.6&10

One frog lows like a cow, another bleats like a goat. One is speckled and another is green. They

are one even though they vary in form, croaking and movements.

Though these frogs differ in croaking and colours, they grant us riches. May they, revelling in the fertilising season of rains confer upon us ample wealth of cattle and longevity of life!.

133. सुविज्ञानं चिकितुषे जनाय सच्चासच्च वचसी पस्पृधाते।
तयोर्यत्सत्यं यतरदृजीयस्तदित्सोमोऽवति हन्त्यासत्॥

**suvijnanam cikituse janaya sac casac ca
vacasi pasprdhate |
tayor yat satyam yatarad rjivas tad it somo
vati hanty asat || 7.104.12**

It is easy for a wise man to discern and differentiate between words of truth and falsehood. He understands that both are contradictory and are mutually at variance. Lord Soma Deva cherishes and protects what is truth and right; and he eliminates what is falsehood.

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134. स नः पप्रिः पारयाति स्वस्ति नावा पुरुहूतः।

इन्द्रो विश्वा अति द्विषः॥

sa nah paprih parayati svasti nava

puruhutah |

indro visva ati dvisah || 8.16.11

Lord Indra who fulfils desires of worshippers, may protect us in our battles of life with our enemies and take us to safety like a boat that carries travellers across a river.

135. पाकत्रा स्थन देवा हत्सु जानीथ मर्त्यम्।

उप द्वयुं चाद्वयुं च वसवः॥

pakatra sthana deva hrtsu janitha martyam |

upa dvayum cadvayum ca vasavah ||

आ शर्म पर्वतानामोतापां वृणीमहे।

द्यावाक्षामारे अस्मद्रपस्कृतम्॥

a sarma parvatanam otapam vrnimahe |

dyavaksamare asmadrapas krtam ||

ते नो भद्रेण शर्मणा युष्माकं नावा वसवः।

अति विश्वानि दुरिता पिपर्तन॥

te no bhadrena sarmana yusmakam nava

vasavah |

ati visvani durita pipartana || 8.18.15,16&17

O Aditas! You sustain and rule everyone. Know, within Your hearts, who are cunning and who are upright. And be with those who are pious and good.

We wish to have access to the joy and happiness inherent in mountains and waters. Heaven and Earth may keep us away from sin.

O Vasus! You sustain all in this world. With the help of auspicious and comfortable vessel of Yours, guide everyone in completely crossing this ocean of evil deeds and calamities.

136. यथा वशन्ति देवास्तथेदसत्तदेषां नकिरा मिनत्।
अरावा चन मर्त्यः॥

yatha vasanti devas tathed asat tad esam
nakir a minat |
arava cana martyah || 8.28.4

What Gods intend will happen. No one and no enemy can oppose this.

137. स नः शक्रश्चिदा शकद्दानवाँ अन्तराभरः।
इन्द्रो विश्वाभिरत्तिभिः॥

sa nah sakras cid a sakad danavam
antarabharah |
indro visvabhir utibhih || 8.32.12

May all-powerful Lord Indra make us strong!
May the liberal Lord, with all the means of protection at His command, remove our internal faults and

deficiencies!. Make us ripe and fulfilled in our internal self.

138. इमां धियं शिक्षमाणस्य देव क्रतुं वरुण सं शिशाधि।
ययाति विश्वा दुरिता तरेम सुतर्माणमधि नावं रुहेमा।

**imam dhiyam siksamanasya deva kratum
daksam varuna sam sisadhi |
yayati visva durita tarema sutarmanam adhi
navam ruhema || 8.42.3**

O Divine and effulgent Lord Varuna! Make the generously disposed mind of mine sharp in action and insight too. May we completely overcome all critical problems and situations with such an acumen!. May we board the best-built and sound ship of Yours and cross over our misfortunes!.

139. विशां राजानमद्भुतमध्यक्षं धर्मणामिमम्।
अग्निमीळे स उ श्रवत्।

**visam rajanam adbhutam adhyaksam
dharmanam imam |
agnim ile sa u sravat ||**

ते घेदग्ने स्वाध्योऽहा विश्वा नृचक्षसः।
तरन्तः स्याम दुर्गहा।

**te ghed agne svadhyo ha visva nrcaksasah |
tarantah syama durgaha ||**

स त्वमग्ने विभावसुः सृजन्त्सूर्यो न रश्मिभिः।
शर्धन्तमांसि जिघ्नसे।

**sa tvam agne vibhavasuh srjan suryo na
rasmibhih |
sardhan tamamsi jighnase || 8.43.24,30&32**

Lord Agni (God of Fire) presides over this whole world. He is the creator of all these wonderful laws of conduct, righteousness and social discourse. I sing hymns in His praise. He, in fact, is One who listens to our prayers.

O! Lord Agni! For You, we unflinchingly do the noblest of acts and witness the best of things. We thus become eligible, in some measure, to overcome our griefs and cross over our difficulties.

O! Effulgent and generous Agni Deva! You confer riches on all. Like the rising Sun, You strengthen us through rays of great radiance and dispel darkness.

140. उत त्वाबधिरं वयं श्रुत्कर्णं सन्तमूतये।
दूरादिह हवामहे॥

**uta tvabadhiram vayam srutkarnam santam
utaye |**

durad iha havamahe ||

यच्छुश्रूया इमं हवं दुर्मर्षं चक्रिया उत।
भवेरापिनो अन्तमः॥

**yac chusruya imam havam durmarsam
cakriya uta |**

bhaver apir no antamah ||

यच्चिद्धि ते अपि व्यथिर्जगन्वांसो अमन्महि।
गोदा इदिन्द्र बोधि नः॥

yac cid dhi te api vyathir jaganvamso
amanmahi |
goda id indra bodhi nah ||

आ त्वा रम्भं न जिब्रयो ररभ्मा शवसस्पते।
उश्मसि त्वा सधस्थ आ॥

a tva rambham na jivrayo rarabhma
savasas pate |
usmasi tva sadhastha a || 8.45.17,18,19&20

O Lord Indra! You are never deaf and Your ears are always open to hear our prayers even when we call you from afar for our protection.

When You hear our pleadings, You immediately come to our rescue by showing Your invincible powers and become our close relative.

And when we were afflicted with sorrow and while in a foreign land, we praised You.

You, then, understood our prayers and generously gave us a wealth of cattle.

O Mighty Lord Indra! Just as an old man leans on his walking-stick, we depend on you for support. And we feel delighted in offering oblations to You in sacrificial fire.

141. विदा देवा अघानामादित्यासो अपाकृतिम्।

पक्षा वयो यथोपरि व्यस्मे शर्म यच्छतानेहसो व ऊतयः

सुतयो व ऊतयः॥

vida deva aghanam adityaso apakrtim |

paksa vayo yathopari vy asme sarma

yacchatanehaso va utayah suutayo va

utayah ||

परि णो वृणजन्नघा दुर्गाणि रथ्यो यथा।

स्यामेदिन्द्रस्य शर्मण्यादित्यानामुतावस्यनेहसो व ऊतयः सुतयो

व ऊतयः॥

pari no vrnajann agha durgani rathyo yatha |

syamed indrasya sarmany adityanam

utavasy anehaso va utayah suutayo va

utayah ||

युष्मे देवा अपि ष्मसि युध्यन्त इव वर्मसु।

यूयं महो न एनसो यूयमर्भादुरुष्यतानेहसो व ऊतयः सुतयो

व ऊतयः॥

yusme deva api smasi yudhyanta iva

varmasu |

yuyam maho na enaso yuyam arbhad

urusyatanehaso va utayah suutayo va

utayah || 8.47.2,5&8

O Adityas! You know how to remove our sins. Just as a bird spreads its wings for protecting its hatchlings, You may in the same way, guard and comfort us. Your protection is the foremost and untouched by sorrow or sin.

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Just as charioteers avoid inaccessible places, we may avoid sins in the same way. We may always remain under the protection of Lord Indra. May Adityas ever guard us.

O Gods! Just as a soldier in armour remains safe in war, may we always remain secure in Your guardianship. Save us from small and big sins. Your shield is always supreme and unblemished.

142. त्रातारो देवा अधि वोचता नो मा नो निद्रा ईशत मोत

जल्पिः।

वयं सोमस्य विश्वह प्रियासः सुवीरासो विदथमा वदेम॥

trataro deva adhi vocata no ma no nidra

isata mota jalpih |

vayam somasya visvaha priyasah suviraso

vidatham a vadema || 8.48.14

O Guardian Gods! Give us the best instruction! May lethargy not overcome us! May idle talk not overpower us! May we be ever dear to Lord Soma! May we, along with our brave and virtuous offspring, praise the Supreme Lord!

143. अपाम सोमममृता अभूमागन्म ज्योतिरविदाम देवान्।

किं नूनमस्मान्कृणवदरातिः किमु धूर्तिरमृत मर्त्यस्य॥

apama somam amrta abhumaganma jyotir

avidama devan |

kim nunam asman krnavad aratih kim u

dhurtir amrta martyasya ||

त्वं नः सोम विश्वतो वयोधास्त्वं स्वर्विदा विशा नृचक्षाः।
त्वं न इन्द्र ऊतिभिः सजोषाः पाहि पश्चातादुत वा पुरस्तात्॥
tvam nah soma visvato vayodhas tvam
svarvid a visa nrcaksah |
tvam na inda utibhih sajosah pahi pascata
uta va purastat || 8.48.3&15

We have drunk the Soma juice. We have become immortal. We have attained the divine light. We have understood the power of Divinity. What harm can our enemies and evil - minded people do to us.

O Soma Deva Juice! Give us food from every direction. You know men well. You study them too. Be get absorbed in us. You may thus guard our well-being. Protect us from the front and back.

144. एक एवाग्निर्बहुधा समिद्ध एकः सूर्यो विश्वमनु प्रभूतः।
एकैवोषाः सर्वमिदं वि भात्येकं वा इदं वि बभूव सर्वम्॥
eka evagnir badudha samiddha ekah suryo
visvam anu prabhutah |
ekaivosah sarvam idam vi bhaty ekam va
idam vi babhuva sarvam || 8.58.2

Fire is one but It is manifested in many ways. The Sun is one but permeates all and becomes obvious in several ways. The Dawn is one but lights up the whole world. The Supreme Lord is one that becomes revealed in the form of universe in its entire diversity and glory.

145. शोचा शोचिष्ठ दीदिहि विशे मयो रास्व स्तोत्रे महौ असि।
देवानां शर्मन्मम सन्तु सूरयः शत्रूषाहः स्वग्नयः॥

soca socistha didihi vise mayo rasva stotre
maham asi |
devanam sarman mama santu surayah
satrusahah svagnayah ||

यथा चिद्वृद्धमतसमग्ने संजूर्वसि क्षमि।
एवा दह मित्रमहो यो अस्मध्रुगदुर्मन्मा कश्च वेनति॥

yatha cid vrddham atasam agne samjurvasi
ksami |
eva daha mitramaho yo asmadrug
durmanma kas ca venati ||

मा नो मर्ताय रिपवे रक्षस्विने माघशंसाय रीरधः।
अस्त्रेधद्भिस्तरणिभिर्यविष्ट्य शिवेभिः पाहि पायुभिः॥

ma no martaya ripave raksasvine
maghasamsaya riradhah |
asredhadhis taranibhir yavisthya sivebhih
pahi payubhih || 8.60.6,7&8

O Effulgent Agni Deva (Lord of Fire) shine forth brilliantly and illuminate us. Grant happiness to those who offer prayers to You! You are great among all Gods! Let wise people always reside in my house. Let the holy fires that vanquish our enemies always burn in our house.

O Agni Deva! Just as You consume old timber on the earth, subdue with your flames all our enemies, traitors and evil-minded people.

O! Mighty Lord! May you never trouble the good for the sake of pleasing their enemies and evil-minded people!. May You never hand us over to those who derive wicked pleasure on punishing people for their sins!. And may You always guard good people against hardships and ensure their well-being with all Your peaceful, auspicious and beneficial powers.

146. हुवे वातस्वनं कविं पर्जन्यक्रन्द्यं सहः।

अग्निं समुद्रवाससम्॥

huve vatasvanam kavim parjanyakrandyam

sahah |

agnim samudravasasam || 8.102.5

As the Sun rises in the east, the world awakens and people begin all their activities. In a similar way, by lighting the holy fire, priests invoke Agni, the Fire God before commencing all rituals. Like the Sun, Agni Deva inspires all to do good deeds. When ghee is poured into It, the flame becomes more bright and brilliant. Agni Deva equals wind in sound and He roars like a cloud. The mighty and most forbearing of Gods, Agni usually lies in a calm state beneath the seas. We offer prayers to such a resplendent Lord.

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147. असृग्रमिन्दवः पथा धर्मन्तृतस्य सुश्रियः।

विदाना अस्य योजनम्॥

asrgram indavah patha dharmann rtasya
susriyah |

vidana asya yojanam ||

प्र धारा मध्वो अग्रियो महीरपो वि गाहते।

हविर्हविष्णु वन्द्यः॥

pra dhara madhvo agriyo mahir aop vi
gahate |

havir havissu vandyah ||

अव्यो वारे परि प्रियो हरिर्वनेषु सीदति।

रेभो वनुष्यते मती॥

avyo vare pari priyo harir vanesu sidati |
rebho vanusyate mati ||

आ मित्रावरुणा भगं मध्वः पवन्त ऊर्मयः।

विदाना अस्य शक्मभिः॥

a mitravaruna bhagam madhvah pavanta
urmayah |

vidana asya sakmabhih || 9.7.1,2,6&8

May the Fire-God Agni Deva remove all our
sins. Let Lord Agni shower abundant wealth upon
us. May sins remain far away from us!.

Seeking to live in the best of places, seeking to traverse in the best of paths and seeking to earn the best of wealth, we worship Lord Agni. May we keep away from sins.

Agni Deva! With Your faces in all directions, You see everything and rule everyone. We beg You to keep us away from our sins. Like a ship that ferries people across the sea, You may, for our welfare, keep us distant from sins and steer us away from adverse fate.

148. यत्रानुकामं चरणं त्रिनाके त्रिदिवे दिवः।

लोका यत्र ज्योतिष्मन्तस्तत्र माममृतं कृधीन्द्रायेन्दो परि
स्रवा॥

yatranukamam caranam trinake tridive
divah |
loka yatra jyotismantas tatra mam amrtam
krdhindrayendo pari srava || 9.113.8&9

यत्र राजा वैवस्वतो यत्रावरोधनं दिवः।

यत्रामूर्यस्वतीरापस्तत्र माममृतं कृधीन्द्रायेन्दो परि स्रवा॥

yatra raja vaivasvato yatravarodhanam
divah |
yatramur yahvatir apas tatra mam amrtam
krdhindrayendo pari srava ||

Where Vivaswan's son Vaivaswat is the king, where heaven's door and The Sun's inner chamber lie, where celestial rivers flow in abundance, make

me immortal in that realm. Let Soma flow for the sake of Lord Indra.

Where the highest heaven, the third world, lies, where the Sun moves at will, where radiance and splendour reign, make me immortal in that realm. Let Soma flow for the sake of Lord Indra.

149. यत्र कामा निकामाश्च यत्र ब्रध्नस्य विष्टपम्।
स्वधा च यत्र तृप्तिश्च तत्र माममृतं कृधीन्द्रायेन्दो परि
स्रवा॥

yatra kama nikamas ca yatra bradhnasya
vistapam |
svadha ca yatra trptis ca tatra mam amrtam
krdhindrayendo pari srava ||

यत्रानन्दाश्च मोदाश्च मुदः प्रमुद आसते।
कामस्य यत्राप्ताः कामास्तत्र माममृतं कृधीन्द्रायेन्दो परि
स्रवा॥

yatranandas ca modas ca mudah pramuda
asate |
kamasya yatraptah kamas tatra mam
amrtam krdhindrayendo pari srava ||

9.113.10&11

Where our desires and aspirations get fulfilled, where the resplendent Surya, The Sun God shines brilliantly and where food and happiness are plenty,

into that Immortal world may I gain eternal place!
Soma Deva, flow on for the sake of Lord Indra.

Where there is great joy, where comfort and ease
are found in abundance, where happiness becomes
oceanic and where men's longings are fully satisfied,
into that immortal world may I get eternal dwelling!
Soma Deva!, flow on for the sake of Lord Indra.

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150. मृत्योः पदं योपयन्तो यदैत द्राघीय आयुः प्रतरं दधानाः।
आप्यायमानाः प्रजया धनेन शुद्धाः पूता भवत यज्ञियासः॥

mrtyoh padam yopayanto yad aita draghiya
ayuh prataram dadhanah |
apyayamanah prajaya dhanena suddhah
puta bhavata yajniyasah || 10.18.2

Those wishing to go in the path of gods, avoid the path of death. Living longer, they remain diligent in performance of sacrificial rituals. Practising purity of conduct and cleanliness confer upon them the blessings of progeny and affluence.

151. इमं जीवेभ्यः परिधिं दधामि मैषां नु गादपरो अर्थमेतम्।
शतं जीवन्तु शरदः पुरुचीरन्तर्मृत्युं दधतां पर्वतेन॥

imam jivebhyah paridhim dadhami maisam
nu gad aparo artham etam |
satam jivantu saradah purucir antar
mrtyum dadhatam parvatena ||

उदीर्घं नार्यभि जीवलोकं गतासुमेतमुष शेष एहि।
हस्तग्राभस्य दिधिषोस्तवेदं पत्युर्जनित्वमभि सं बभूथ॥
ud irsva nary abhi jivalokam gatasum etam
upa sesa ehi |
hastagrabhasya didhisos tavedam patyur
janitvam abhi sam badhutha || 10.18.4&8

May the priests who perform, on my behalf, rituals relating to the sacrificial fire, offer oblations and prayers to Gods!. May the purpose and prayer of my mind be sincere and true!. May I not slip into any kind of sin!. O Gods of Universe! Bless us!

May the omnipresent and most revered Lord Indra, who is worthy of being invoked by many performers of holy rituals, be present at our sacrificial fire and bestow joy upon us!. May Lord Indra who is the master of green horses that draw His chariot, be gracious and kind to our children and grandchildren!. May He never harm us!. May He never disown us!.

152. आ नो देवानामुप वेतु शंसो विश्वेभिस्तुरैरवसे यजत्रः।

तेभिर्वयं सुषखायो भवेम तरन्तो विश्वा दुरिता स्याम।।

a no devanam upa vetu samso visvebhis
turairavase yajatrah |
tebhir vayam susakhayo bhavema taranto
visva durita syama ||

परि चिन्मर्तो द्रविणं ममन्यादृतस्य पथा नमसा विवासेत्।
उत स्वेन क्रतुना सं वदेत श्रेयांसं दक्षं मनसा जगृभ्यात्।।

pari cin marto dravinam mamanyad rtasya
pathanamasa vivaset |
uta svena kratuna sam vadeta sreyaंसam
daksam manasa jagrbhyat || 10.31.1&2

May praiseworthy and much revered Lord Indra, along with His attendant Gods, quickly come to aid and protect us!. May we remain in good friendship with Him and overcome all our troubles!.

Man may seek wealth in every way and from all directions. At the same time, he should, with a pure heart, walk in the path of truth and be inclined to engage himself in meritorious deeds. He may, with wisdom, worship Gods and gain a vision of all-pervasive and beneficent form of Divinity.

153. अक्षेत्रविक्षेत्रविदं ह्यप्राट् स प्रैति क्षेत्रविदानुशिष्टः।

एतद्वै भद्रमनुशासनस्योत स्रुतिं विन्दत्यञ्जसीनाम्॥

**aksetravit ksetravidam hy aprat sa praiti
ksetravidanusistah |
etad vai bhadram anusasanasyota srutim
vindaty anjasinam || 10.32.7**

A traveller who does not know the path, enquires with another who has knowledge of the same. After learning it from him, he moves in the desired direction. This is the great and safe benefit of seeking knowledge from the one who possesses it. The ignorant person, thus goes forward in the path of straight forwardness and wisdom.

(This hymn is of great spiritual significance. Normally when we are at new crossroads, we feel somewhat unsure as to the road that leads us to the right destination. This is where Sadguru or right

teacher comes into focus in our life. He shows us the truth path toward self-knowledge and Realisation.)

154. स नो विश्वाहा सुक्रतुरादित्यः सुपथा करत्।
प्र ण आयूंषि तारिषत्॥

sa no visvaha sukratur adityah supatha karat |
pra na ayumsi tarisat || 10.53.6

उदुत्तमं मुमुग्धि नो वि पाशं मध्यमं चृत्।
अवाधमानि जीवसे॥

ud uttamam mumugdhi no vi pasam
madhyamam crta |
avadhamani jivase || 10.25.12&21

Varuna Deva, who does the best deeds and who is the son of Aditi, may keep us always in the right path. He may extend our life for the same.

Release us, for enduring life, from the upper, middle and lower bonds of the world.

155. सक्तुमिव तितउना पुनन्तो यत्र धीरा मनसा वाचमक्रत।
अत्रा सखायः सख्यानि जानते भद्रैषां लक्ष्मीर्निहिताधि
वाचि॥

saktum iva titauna punanto yatra dhira
manasa vacam akrata |
atra sakhayah sakhyani janate bhadraisam
laksmir nihitadhi vaci ||

उत त्वं सख्ये स्थिरपीतमाहुर्नैनं हिन्वन्त्यपि वाजिनेषु।
अधेन्वा चरति माययैष वाचं शुश्रुवाँ अफलामपुष्पाम्॥

uta tvam sakhye sthirapitam ahur nainam
hinvanty api vajinesu |
adhenva carati mayayaisa vacam susruvam
aphalam apuspam ||

यस्तित्याज सचिविदं सखायं न तस्य वाच्यपि भागो अस्ति।
यदीं शृणोत्यलकं शृणोति नहि प्रवेद सुकृतस्य पन्थाम्॥

yas tityaja sacividam sakhayam na tasya
vacy api bhago asti |
yad im srnoty alakam srnoti nahi praveda
sukrtasya pantham || 10.71.2,5&6

Just as we win now barley with a sieve, a wise man speaks pure wisdom with his intellect. The intelligent and affectionate people grasp the friendliness in the same way. They know it ensures their well-being.

Such a person rooted in friendliness of speech is honoured as one of stable wisdom and intelligence among the group of the knowledgeable. The one who mechanically studies the texts without understanding their meaning and context, wanders about like a barren cow. His speech is unfruitful and devoid of substance.

The speech of a person who abandons the friendship of the wise, beneficent and scholarly man,

is fruitless. Whatever he hears, he hears it wrongly and it would be devoid of meaning. He will never know the path of righteousness, meritorious deeds and well-being.

156. वयः सुपर्णा उप सेदुरिन्द्रं प्रियमेधा ऋषयो नाधमानाः।
अप ध्वान्तमूर्णुहि पूर्धि चक्षुर्मुग्ध्यस्मान्निधयेव बद्धान्॥

vayah suparna upa sedur indram
priyamedha rsayo nadhamanah |
apa dhvantam urnuhi purdhi caksur
mumugdhy asman nidhayeva baddhan ||
10.73.11

The fast-moving and agreeable rays of the Sun are found with Lord Indra. They, like the visionary priests who perform sacrificial fire and other rituals, beseech Lord Indra. The sages pray to Lord Indra to remove darkness from them and grant vision and radiance to their eyes. May the Supreme Lord also loosen them from their bonds and make them free.

157. पूषा त्वेतो नयतु हस्तगृह्याश्विना त्वा प्र वहतां रथेन।
गृहान्गच्छ गृहपत्नी यथासो वशिनी त्वं विदथमा वदासि॥

pusa tveto nayatu hastagrhyasvina tva pra
vahatam rathena |
grhan gaccha grhapatni yathaso vasini tvam
vidatham a vadasi ||

इह प्रियं प्रजया ते समृध्यतामस्मिन्गृहे गार्हपत्याय जागृहि।
एना पत्या तन्वं सं सृजस्वाधा जित्री विदथमा वदाथः॥

**iha priyam prajaya te sam rdhyatam asmin
grhe parhapatyaya jagrhi |
ena patya tanvam sam srjasvadha jivri
vidathama vadathah || 10.85.26&27**

May Pushan, the God of fortune, lead by holding bride's hand and walking in front. May Ashwins make her seated in chariot and take her to her husband's home. May she occupy the position of female head of house and keep people and household in control.

Let her be submissive to her husband and conduct herself wisely.

May her children remain in the best state of happiness. May she properly perform her functions as a dutiful wife. May she live happily and together with her husband. Both wife and husband may walk together thus in the path of Dharma (righteousness) and grow old. They would, then, give the best instruction to their children.

158. गृभ्णामि ते सौभगत्वाय हस्तं मया पत्या जरदष्टिर्यथासः।

भगो अर्यमा सविता पुरंधिर्मह्यं त्वादुर्गार्हपत्याय देवाः॥

**grbhnamī te saubhagatvaya hastam maya
patyajaradastir yathasah |
bhago aryama savita puramdhir mahyam
tvadur garhapatyaya devah ||**

तां पूषञ्छिवतमामेरयस्व यस्यां बीजं मनुष्या वपन्ति।
या न ऊरू उशती विश्रयाते यस्यामुशन्तः प्रहराम शेपम्॥
tam pusan chivatamam erayasva yasyam
bijam manusya vapanti |
ya na uru usati visrayate yasyam usantah
praharama sepam || 10.85.36&37

O My bride, I accept your hand as my wife for our well-being. And, therefore, you may remain true to your husband, lead married life and together reach old age. Gods, Aryaman, Bhaga, Savitar and Purandhi have given you as mistress of house to discharge household duties along with me.

O Pushan! Send her in the most auspicious state in sharing of my conjugal pleasures with her.

May You inspire her to be most supportive and happy in our conjugal life for giving birth to our progeny!.

159. इहैव स्तं मा वि यौष्टं विश्वमायुर्व्यश्नुतम्।
क्रीळन्तौ पुत्रैर्नप्तृभिर्मोदमानौ स्वे गृहे॥

ihaiva stam ma vi yaustam visvam ayur vy
asnutam |
krilantau putrair napturbhir modamanau sve
grhe ||

आ नः प्रजां जनयतु प्रजापतिराजरसाय समनक्त्वर्थमा।
अदुर्मङ्गलीः पतिलोकमा विश शं नो भव द्विपदे शं
चतुष्पदे॥

**a nah prajam janayatu prajapatir ajarasaya
sam anaktv aryama |
adurmangalih patilokam a visa sam no
bhava dvipade sam catuspade ||
10.85.42&43**

May you, bride and bridegroom, may you remain here together. never separate! Especially, you may lead and enjoy full life.

May you remain in your own house and live in a spirit of contentment, joy and play with your children and grandchildren!.

**160. अघोरचक्षुरपतिघ्न्येधि शिवा पशुभ्यः सुमनाः सुवर्चाः।
वीरसूर्देवकामा स्योना शं नो भव द्विपदे शं चतुष्पदे॥
aghoracaksur apatighny edhi siva
pasubhyah sumanah suvarcah |
virasur devakama syona sam no bhava
dvipade sam catuspade || 10.85.44**

O bride! Be of calm and peaceful mind. Never bring sorrow to your husband. Bring weal to cattle. Be radiant. Be gentle and of good heart. Be of noble and auspicious thoughts. Worship Gods. Bear heroes. Be beneficial to our quadrupeds and bipeds and bring them joy.

**161. सम्राज्ञी श्वशुरे भव सम्राज्ञी श्वश्वं भव।
ननान्दरि सम्राज्ञी भव सम्राज्ञी अधि देवृषु॥**

samrajni svasure bhava samrajni svasrvam
bhava |
nanandari samrajni bhava samrajni adhi
devrsu ||

समञ्जन्तु विश्वे देवाः समापो हृदयानि नौ।
सं मातरिश्वा सं धाता समु देष्ट्री दधातु नौ॥

sam anjantu visve devah sam apo hrdayani
nau |
sam matarisva sam dhata sam u destri
dadhatu nau || 10.85.46&47

May the bride, by virtue of her conduct, become prominent among her father-in-law, mother-in-law, husband sister's and brothers!.

May the universal Gods unite hearts of both bride and bridegroom. May the waters join them, May Matarisvan, Dhata and the bountiful Saraswati bind them close!.

162. य आध्राय चकमानाय पित्वोऽन्नवान्सत्रफितायोपजग्मुषे।
स्थिरं मनः कृणुते सेवते पुरोतो चित्स मर्दितारं न विन्दते॥

ya adhraya cakamanaya pitvo nnavan san
raphitayopajagmuse |
sthiram manah krnute sevate puroto cit sa
marditaram na vindate ||

स इद्भोजो यो गृहवे ददात्यन्नकामाय चरते कृशया।
अरमस्मै भवति यामहूता उतापरीषु कृणुते सखायम्॥

**sa id bhojo yo grhave dadaty annakamaya
carate krsaya |
aram asmai bhavati yamahuta utaparisu
krnute sakhayam ||**

**न स सखा यो न ददाति सख्ये सचाभुवे सचमानाय पित्वः।
अपास्मात्रेयान्न तदोको अस्ति पृणन्तमन्यमरणं चिदिच्छेत्॥**

**na sa sakha yo na dadati sakhye sacabhuve
sacamanaya pitvah |
apasmāt preyan na tad oko asti prnantam
anyam aranam cid icchet || 10.117.2,3&4**

The man who, though endowed with plenty of food, becomes hard-hearted and denies it to a feeble and malnourished person or a suffering one who comes to him for food but follows his own enjoyments before them, finds no one to support or console him later in life.

That one is a true man who generously gives food to a hungry person who comes to him seeking it and to those who are weak and famished. He gains the fruits of a well-performed fire ritual and he makes even his adversaries turn friendly to Him. He is not a friend who does not give food to his friend or companion. They should leave such a cruel man and go far away. He will not find a dwelling place for himself. One must seek shelter of only such a person who generously gives food to others.

163. पृणीयादिन्नाधमानाय तव्यान्द्राघीयांसमनु पश्येतु पन्थाम्।
ओ हि वर्तन्ते रथ्येव चक्रान्यमन्यमुप तिष्ठन्त रायः॥

**prniyad in nadhamanaya tavyan
draghiyamsam anu pasyeta pantham |
o hi vartante rathyeva cakranyam-anyam
upa tisthanta rayah || 10.117.5**

A rich man should certainly give money to a poor man that seeks alms and make him happy. He should see far and remember merits of such an act of his - here and hereafter. Wealth doesn't remain fixed at one place or with one person. It changes hands like a moving wheel.

164. एकपाद्भूयो द्विपदो वि चक्रमे द्विपात्रिपादमभ्येति पश्चात्।
चतुष्पादेति द्विपदामभिस्वरे सम्पश्यन्पङ्क्तीरुपतिष्ठमानः॥

**ekapad bhuyo dvipado vi cakrame dvipat
tripadam abhy eti pascat |
catuspad eti dvipadam abhisvare
sampasyan panktir upatisthamanah ||
10.117.8**

A person with one unit of wealth seeks more wealth from the one with two. The man with two units of wealth goes to the one with three. And the one with four units approaches someone with more. A chain of relationships has been made thus; a person with smaller wealth expects more from the one who is better off. A very rich man may become a poor

person one day. So never be proud of your wealth. It would be proper to be generous and charitable toward the deserving persons and guests.

165. समौ चिद्धस्तौ न समं विविष्टः सम्मातरा चिन्न समं
दुहाते।
यमयोश्चिन्न समा वीर्याणि ज्ञाती चित्सन्तौ न समं पृणीतः॥
samau cid dhastau na samam vivistah
sammatarara cin na samam duhate |
yamayos cin na sama viryani jnati cit santau
na samam prnitah || 10.117.9

Though both of our hands look alike, they don't have the same capacity for doing things. Two cows calving at the same time do not yield the same quantity and quality of milk. Twins too do not have similar strength. And two persons born in the same family will not have the same generosity.

166. य आत्मदा बलदा यस्य विश्व उपासते प्रशिषं यस्य देवाः।
यस्य छायामृतं यस्य मृत्युः कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेम॥
ya atmada balada yasya visva upasate
prasisam yasya devah |
yasya chayamrtam yasya mrtyuh kasmai
devaya havisa vidhema ||

यः प्राणतो निमिषतो महित्वैक इद्राजा जगतो बभूव।
य ईशे अस्य द्विपदश्चतुष्पदः कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेम॥

yah pranato nimisato mahitvaika id raja
jagato babhuva |
ya ise asya dvipadas catuspadah kasmai
devaya havisa vidhema ||

यस्येमे हिमवन्तो महित्वा यस्य समुद्रं रसया सहाहुः।
यस्येमाः प्रदिशे यस्य बाहू कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेमा॥

yasyeme himavanto mahitva yasya
samudram rasaya sahaauh |
yasyemah pradiso yasya bahu kasmai
devaya havisa vidhema || 10.121.2,3&4

The Supreme Being gives Atman (Self) and strength to all. His commands are honoured and obeyed by men and gods alike. His sheltering shade confers immortality to one and not seeking It is tantamount to death. We worship such an Omnipotent and Beneficent Lord with intense devotion and oblation to Him in sacrificial fire.

The Supreme Parabrahman, with His infinite valour, is Lord of all beings who breathe and see and is the foremost governor of entire world. He rules over lives of all bipeds and quadrupeds. We worship such a great and beneficent Lord with intense devotion and offer oblation to Him in sacrificial fire.

The snow-clad mountains, oceans and fast-flowing rivers, rotating earth, and the profound sky speak endlessly about the infinite power and

greatness of the Supreme Lord. The quarters of space are His outstretched arms. We worship such an Omnipotent and Beneficent Lord with intense devotion and offer oblation to Him in sacrificial fire.

167. येन द्यौरुग्रा पृथिवी च दृढा येन स्व स्तभितं येन नाकः।
यो अन्तरिक्षे रजसो विमानः कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेम॥

yena dyaur ugra prthivi ca drlha yena sva
stabhitam yena nakah |
yo antarikse rajaso vimanah kasmai devaya
havisa vidhema ||

यं क्रन्दसी अवसा तस्तभाने अभ्यैक्षेतां मनसा रेजमाने।
यत्राधि सूर उदितो विभाति कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेम॥

yam krandasi avasa tastabhane abhy
aiksetam manasa rejamane |
yatradhi sura udito vibhati kasmai devaya
havisa vidhema ||

आपो ह यद्बृहतीर्विश्वमायन्नार्भ दधाना जनयन्तीरग्निम्।
ततो देवानां समवर्ततासुरेकः कस्मै देवाय हविषा विधेम॥

apo ha yad brhatir visvam ayan garbham
dadhana janayantir agnim |
tato devanam sam avartatasur ekah kasmai
devaya havisa vidhema || 10.121.5,6&7

By whom the space was made profound, earth solid, heaven fixed, movement of sun stable in sky

and by whom water was created in firmament, we worship such an Omnipotent and Beneficent Lord with intense devotion and offer Him oblation in sacrificial fire.

Whose protection and support created the earth and heaven that radiate great effulgence and who gives His blessings for the rise of Sun in the East and who enables the Sun to shine in the sky, we worship such an Omnipotent and Beneficent Lord with intense devotion and offer Him oblation in the sacrificial fire.

Who entered the seed of creation within golden-womb, through whose grace vast waters have overspread the universe, who gave birth to the great Fire and the world, and by whose origin and source Prajapathi Brahma produced gods and all other living beings, we worship such an Omnipotent and Beneficent God with intense devotion and offer Him oblation in sacrificial fire.

168. वसुं न चित्रमहसं गृणीषे वामं शेवमतिथिमद्विषेण्यम्।
स रासते शुरुधो विश्वधायसोऽग्निर्होता गृहपतिः सुवीर्यम्॥
vasum na citramahasam grnise vamam
sevam atithim advisenyam |
sa rasate surudho visvadhayaso gnir hota
grhapatih suviryam ||

जुषाणो अग्ने प्रति हर्य मे वचो विश्वानि विद्वान्वयुनानि
सुक्रतो।

घृतनिर्णिग्ब्रह्मणे गातुमेरय तव देवा अजनयन्ननु व्रतम्॥

jusano agne prati harya me vaco visvani
vidvan vayunani sukrato |

ghrtanirnig brahmane gatum eraya tava

deva ajanayann anu vratam || 10.122.1&2

I praise Agni Deva, the fire-god, who is of great radiance like the Sun. He is the giver of happiness to all. The revered Lord who hates none is the guest at our home. May He who removes sorrows and sustains all, protect us and grant us wealth and strength. He is the master of our house and invokes other Gods for our assistance.

O Agni Deva! Be pleased to listen to this prayer of mine. You are performer of the greatest deeds and know all the worlds. O Resplendent Lord! Come down for the sake of housholder who performs sacrificial rites for you. Other gods too follow you and bestow boons on the performer of the holy fire ritual.

169. सप्त धामानि परियन्नमर्त्यो दाशद्दाशुषे सुकृते मामहस्वा।
सुवीरेण रयिणाग्ने स्वाभुवा यस्त आनट् समिधा तं जुषस्वा॥

sapta dhamani pariyann amartyo dasad
dasuse sukrte mamahasva |

svirena rayinagne svabhuva yas ta anat
samidha tam jusasva||

त्वामिदस्या उषसो व्युष्टिषु दूतं कृण्वाना अयजन्त मानुषाः।
त्वां देवा महयाय्याय वावृधुराज्यमग्ने निमृजन्तो अध्वरे॥

tvam id asya usaso vyustisu dutam krnvana
ayajanta manusah |
tvam deva mahayayya vavrdhur ajyam
agne nimrjanto adhvare || 10.122.3&7

O Immortal Agni Deva (God of Fire)! You traverse the seven regions of the universe. May You confer desired wealth upon Your worshipper who offers oblations to You in fire rituals, who liberally gives and who does good deeds. Bestow upon him who properly feeds holy fire with ghee and other sacrificial materials, excellent offspring and ever-growing wealth.

At the break of dawn, men worship You as their messenger to other gods. All gods also revere You as worthy of worship and they offer ghee and other oblations in holy fire for Your glory.

170.ममाग्ने वर्चो विहवेष्वस्तु वयं त्वेन्धानास्तन्वं पुषेमा।
मह्यं नमन्तां प्रदिशश्चतस्रस्त्वयाध्यक्षेण पृतना जयेमा॥

mamagne varco vihavesv astu vayam
tvendhanas tanvam pusema |
mahyam namantam pradisas catasras
tvayadhyaksena prtana jayema ||

मम देवा विहवे सन्तु सर्व इन्द्रवन्तो मरुतो विष्णुरग्निः।
ममान्तरिक्षमुरुलोकमस्तु मह्यं वातः पवतां कामे अस्मिन्॥
mama deva vihave santu sarva indravanto
maruto visnur agnih |
mamantariksam urulokam astu mahyam
vatah pavatam kame asmin || 10.128.1&2

O Agni Deva, God of Fire! With Your blessings and Grace, may we remain effugent in our sacrificial rituals and war's. By brightening holy flame through oblations, we become strong in body. May all the four directions be obedient and favourable to us!. May we, under Your stewardship, vanquish our enemies!.

May all Gods including Marut Ganas led by Lord Indra, Lord Vishnu & Lord Agni be on my side in battle!. May my world be wide and radiant on par with the firmament!. May Lord Vayu, God of wind, remain in my favour, in fulfilment of this aspiration of mine!.

171. कामस्तदग्रे समवर्तताधि मनसो रेतः प्रथमं यदासीत्।
सतो बन्धुमसति निरविन्दन्हृदि प्रतीष्या कवयो मनीषा॥
kamas tad agre sam avartatadhi manaso
retah prathamam yad asit |
sato bandhum asati nir avindan hrdis pratisya
kavayo manisa ||

को अद्धा वेद क इह प्र वोचत्कुत आजाता कुत इयं
विसृष्टिः।

अर्वाग्देवा अस्य विसर्जनेनाथा को वेद यत आबभूव।।

ko addha veda ka iha pra vocat kuta ajata
kuta iyam visrstih |
arvag deva asya visarjanenatha ko veda
yata ababhuva ||

इयं विसृष्टिर्यत आबभूव यदि वा दधे यदि वा ना
यो अस्याध्यक्षः परमे व्योमन्त्सो अङ्ग वेद यदि वा न वेद।।

iyam visrstir yata ababhuva yadi va dadhe
yadi va na |
yo asyadhyaksah parame vyoman so anga
veda yadi va na veda || 10.129.4,6&7

First of all, the desire to create the world has arisen within the Supreme Being. From this, the seed that is the root-cause of the entire creation has sprung. This seed of Eternal entity has taken shape of diverse names and forms of this transient world.

Who knows and how can we say as to how, when, for what reason, and from where this entire creation has originated? Even those sages or seers who are believed to know this secret have taken their birth only after the creation has come into existence. As such, who knows as to the Source from whom this creation has originated?

Only the sages know whether and how the Supreme Being who created this world maintains the world. The Supreme Lord who remains in the firmament presides over this world. Or even He may not fully know this.

172. सूर्यो नो दिवस्पातु वातो अन्तरिक्षात्।
अग्निर्नः पार्थिवेभ्यः॥

suryo no divas patu vato antariksath |
agnir nah parthivebhyah ||

जोषा सवितर्यस्य ते हरः शतं सवाँ अर्हति।
पाहि नो दिद्युतः पतन्त्याः॥

josa savitar yasya te harah satam savam
arhati |

pahi no didyutah patantyah ||

चक्षुर्नो देवः सविता चक्षुर्न उत पर्वतः।
चक्षुर्धाता दधातु नः॥

caksur no devah savita caksur na uta
parvatah |

caksur dhata dadhatu nah ||

चक्षुर्नो धेहि चक्षुषे चक्षुर्विख्यै तन्भ्यः।
सं चेदं वि च पश्येमा॥

caksur no dhehi caksuse caksur vikhyai
tanubhyah |

sam cedam vi ca pasyema ||

सुसंद्दशं त्वा वयं प्रति पश्येम सूर्या।
वि पश्येम नृचक्षसः॥

**susamdrsam tva vayam prati psyema surya |
vi pasyema nrcaksasah || 10.158.1,2,3,4&5**

May Lord Surya Deva protect us from the tormentors in heaven!.

May Lord Vayu save us from those that trouble us from the firmament!. And Lord Agni may safeguard from our enemies on earth.

May Lord Savitha, whose Effulgence is praised through hundreds of sacrificial fires, accept our prayers and salutations! Save us from the enemy's bolts that fall on us!.

May Lord Surya Deva grant us the best of vision!. May Parvata give us the best of vision!. May Dhata bestow on us the best of vision!.

O Lord Surya! Give brightness of vision to our eyes. Grant us ability to see our bodies with the help of the same. May we see the world in the best way with the vision granted by you.

May we have the best sight of Lord Surya Deva who is the giver of vision to all. Whatever men see in this world, may we discern the same in the best manner!.

173. यदाशसा निःशसाभिशसोपारिम जाग्रतो यत्स्वपन्तः।

अग्निर्विश्वान्यप दुष्कृतान्यजुष्टान्यारे अस्मद्दधातु॥

**yad asasa nihsasabhisasoparima jagrato yat
svapantah |
agnir visvany apa duskrany ajustany are
asmad dadhatu ||**

**यदिन्द्र ब्रह्मणस्पतेऽभिद्रोहं चरामसि।
प्रचेता न आङ्गिरसो द्विषतां पात्वंहसः॥**

**yad indra brahmanas pate bhidroham
caramasi |
praceta na angiraso dvisatam patv amhasah ||
10.164.3&4**

There are many evil deeds about which we remain suspicious and, therefore, remain alert in their avoidance in our wakeful state.

And there is a possibility of our experiencing these evil deeds in our sleep. Even so, we remain free from doubt and expect what is good while asleep. We earnestly pray to Agni Deva, God of Fire, to keep all such evil and inauspicious deeds far away from us.

O Lord Indra! O Lord Brihaspati! Even if we have run into any sin against you, show mercy on us and save us. Lord Angirasa as well as the great and wise Lord Varuna, may protect us from the evils of our enemies.

**174. सं गच्छध्वं सं वदध्वं सं वो मनांसि जानताम्।
देवा भागं यथा पूर्वे संजानाना उपासते॥**

**sam gacchadhvam sam vadadhvam sam vo
manamsi janatam |
deva bhagam yatha purve samjanana
upasate || 10.191.2**

O Worshippers! Be united in your thoughts and be of one mind. Meet together and converse with each other in love. Be of the same mind and attain wisdom. Just as your forefathers, in unanimity, worshipped Supreme Lord and gained wisdom, you too, have union of minds, advance in life and acquire wealth.

175. समानो मन्त्रः समितिः समानी समानं मनः सह चित्तमेषाम्।
समानं मन्त्रमभि मन्त्रये वः समानेन वो हविषा जुहोमि।।

**samano mantrah samitih samani samanam
manah saha cittam esam |
samanam mantram abhi mantraye vah
samanena vo havisa juhomi ||**

समानी व आकूतिः समाना हृदयानि वः।
समानमस्तु वो मनो यथा वः सुसहासति।।

**samani va akutih samana hridayani vah |
samanam astu vo mano yatha vah susahasati ||
10.191.3&4**

Let our prayer be one and the same. Let our place of assembly be one and the same. Let our

minds and hearts be one and the same. I communicate to you one the same mantra (prayer). I offer it to you with one and the same oblation.

Let your intention be one and the same. Let your hearts be one and the same. Let your minds be also one and the same. With this, let your actions be integrated, common and the same.

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97. पृक्षप्रयजो ब्रविणः	3.7.10&11
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