

Śiva Arati

Om jaya Gaṅgādhara Hara Śiva jaya Girijādhīśa
Śiva jaya Gaurī-nātha;
Tvaṁ mām pālaya nityaṁ
Tvaṁ mām pālaya Śambho,
Kṛpayā Jagadīśa.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

Glory to Hara, Bearer of the Ganges. Glory to Shiva, Lord of Girija and Gauri. By your grace, Lord of the World, protect me forever.

1. Kailāse giri-śikhare kalpadruma-vipine
Śiva kalpadruma-vipine;
Guñjati madhukara-puñje (2x)
Kuñjavane gahane.
Kokila kūjati khelati haṁsāvali-lalitā,
Śiva haṁsāvali-lalitā;
Rachayati kalā-kalāpaṁ (2x)
Nṛtyati muda-sahitā.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

On Mount Kailas is a forest of wish-fulfilling trees, bees that make a sweet humming sound, cuckoos sing and beautiful swans sport there. Peacocks spread their plumes and dance with joy.

2. Tasmillalita-sudeśe śālā maṇi-rachitā,
Śiva śālā maṇi-rachitā,
Tanmadhye Hara-nikaṭe (2x)
Gaurī muda-sahitā.
Krīḍāṁ rachayati bhūṣāṁ rañjita-nijamīśaṁ
Śiva rañjita-nijamīśaṁ;
Indrādika-sura-sevita
Brahmādika-sura-sevita,
Praṇamati te śīrṣaṁ.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

In that pleasant spot is a mansion bedecked with precious stones. There, Gauri plays near Hara (Shiva), and pleases her Lord with her adornments.

3. Vibudha-vadhūr-bahu nṛtyati hṛdaye muda-sahitā,
Śiva hṛdaye muda-sahitā;
Kinnara gānaṁ kurute (2x)
Sapta-svara-sahitā.
Dhinakata thai thai
Dhinakata mṛdaṅga vādayate
Śiva mṛdaṅga vādayate;
Kvaṇa kvaṇa lalitā veṇuḥ (2x)
Madhuraṁ nādayate.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

The wives of the Gods dance there, their hearts filled with joy. The celestial musicians sing melodies, the drums and flute produce sweet sounds.

4. Ruṇu ruṇu charaṇe racayati Nūpuram-ujjvalitaṁ
Śiva Nūpuram-ujjvalitaṁ;
Chakrāvarte bhramayati (2x)
Kurute tām dhik-tām.
Tām tām lupa chupa tālaṁ nādayate
Śiva tālaṁ nādayate;
Aṅguṣṭhāṅguli-nādaṁ (2x)
Lāsyakatām kurute.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

The shining anklets with small bells make a jingling sound, the damsels, forming circles, sing and dance making sweet sounds with the clapping of their hands and snapping of the thumb and middle fingers.

5. Karpūra-dyuti-gauraṁ Pañchānana-sahitaṁ;
Śiva Pañchānana-sahitaṁ;
Trinayana-Śaśidhara-Maulīḥ (2x)
viśadhara-kaṇṭha-yutam.
Sundara-jaṭā-kalāpaṁ pāvaka-yuta-bhālaṁ
Śiva pāvakayuta-bhālam;
Ḍamaru-triśūla-pinākaṁ (2x)
Karadhṛta-nṛkapālam.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

O Shiva, You have the luster of shining camphor. You have five heads, three eyes, and the moon on Your crest. You have a serpent round Your neck. You have beautiful braided hair on Your head. Your forehead is adorned with fire. You hold the damaru (small drum), the trident, and the bow pinaka. You hold a human skull in Your hand.

6. Śaṅkha-ninādaṁ kṛtvā jhallari nādayate
Śiva jhallari nādayate;
Nīrājayate Brahmā
Nīrājayate Viṣṇur-
Veda-ṛchām paṭhate.
Iti mṛdu-charaṇa-sarojaṁ hṛtkamale dhṛtvā
Śiva hṛtkamale dhṛtvā;
Avalokayati Maheśaṁ
Śivalokayati Sureśaṁ
Īśam-abhinatvā.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

The conch shell is blown; the metallic drum resounds. Brahma and Vishnu are waving lights and reciting the Vedic hymns before You. Thus having hailed His soft lotus feet and having bowed down to the Lord, one gazes steadily at the great God and at the Lord of gods with beneficence.

7. Ruṇḍai rachayati mālām pannagam-upavītaṁ
Śiva pannagam-upavītaṁ;
Vāma-vibhāge Girijā
Vāma-vibhāge Gaurī
Rūpam atilalitam.
Sundara-sakala-śarire kṛta-bhasmā-bharaṇaṁ
Śiva kṛta-bhasmā-bharaṇaṁ;
Iti Vṛṣabha-dhvaja-rūpaṁ
Hara-Śiva-śaṅkara rūpaṁ,
Tāpa-traya-haraṇaṁ.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

You adorn Yourself with a garland of skulls and wear a serpent as the sacred thread. Parvati is at Your left side. Your form is very beautiful. Your whole body is smeared with ashes. You have a bull in your banner. O Hara, the beneficial Bestower of bliss! You remove all miseries.

8. Dhyānam ārati samaye hṛdaye iti kṛtvā,
Śiva hṛdaye iti kṛtvā;
Rāmaṁ trijaṭā-nāthaṁ (2x)
Īśam-abhinatvā.
Saṅgītamevaṁ pratidina paṭhanaṁ yaḥ kurute
Śiva paṭhanaṁ yaḥ kurute;
Śiva-sāyujyaṁ gacchati
Hara- sāyujyaṁ gacchati
Bhaktyā yaḥ śṛṇute.
Om Hara Hara Hara Mahādev.

We meditate upon You, who sport in the hearts of devotees and who are the Lord of Trijata. We bow down to you the Lord. One who daily recites this song and one who hears it with devotion attains oneness with Shiva.

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Glory to Hara, the Bearer of the Ganges. Glory to Shiva, the Lord of Girija. Glory to Shiva, the Lord of Gauri. By your mercy O Lord of the world, protect me forever.