

Budha Pancha Vimsathi Stotram

(The twenty five names of Planet Mercury)

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(This prayer to Budha (Planet Mercury) occurs in Padma Purana. Budha according to Indian mythology is the son of moon and Thara , a young wife of Brahaspathi (Planet Jupiter) , who himself was the teacher of the moon .But this stotra mentions him as the son of Rohini- the favourite wife of moon. . He is supposed to control intelligence in human beings.)

**Budho, budhimatham sreshto, budhi datha, dhana pradha,
Priyanmgulika shyama, kanja nethro manohara. 1**

Budha, the chief among those wise, the giver of knowledge
The giver of wealth , He who has dear fingers, He who is black in colour.,
And he who has smoke colured eyes and he who is pretty.

**Grahopamo rouhineeya nakshthreso dhaya kara,
Virudha karya hantha cha soumyo budhi vivardhana. 2**

He who is matchless among planets, He who is the son of Rohini,
He who is the Lord of stars, he who does merciful deeds,
And he who stops misdeeds of enemies, He who is peaceful , He who increases wisdom.

**Chandrathmajo Vishnu roopi jnanijno jnani nayaka,
Graha peeda haro Dhara puthra dhanya pasu pradha. 3**

He who is the son of moon, he who has same form as Vishnu,
He who makes others wise, he who is the leader of the wise,
He who removes bad effects of planets,
And he who bestows wife, son , grain and cattle wealth.

Loka Priya soumya moorthi gunadho guni vathsala. 4

He who is dear to all people , he who has a peaceful mien,
He who does good deeds and he who likes good people.

**Pancha vimsathi namani budhasyethani ya padeth,
Smruthwa budham sada thasya peedaa sarva vinasyathi 5**

He who reads these twenty five names of Budha,
Meditating on him , would get all sufferings killed forever.

Thadhine va padedhyasthu labhathe sa manogatham. 6

If this is read on the day of Budha(Wednesday),
All our desires would be fulfilled.