

Lakshmi stotra by Indra

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(Once due to a curse of a sage Lord Devendra lost all his wealth. Then he recited this prayer addressed to Mahalakshmi, the goddess of wealth. She appeared before him and gave him back all his wealth. I have already translated another prayer addressed to Mahalakshmi by Indra under the title Sri Stotram.)

Purandara Uvacha:-

**Nama Kamala vasiniai narayanyai namo nama,
Krishna priyayai sathatham Maha Lakshmyai namo nama. 1**

Indra said:-

Salutations to her who lives in the lotus,
Salutations and salutations to Narayani,
Salutations and salutations always,
To the darling of Krishna and Maha Lakshmi.

**Padma pathra kshnayacha padmasyainamo nama,
Padmasanaayai pafiminyai , Vaishnavyai namo nama. 2**

Salutations and salutations to her,
Who stands alone like a lotus leaf,
And to her who is the consort of Vishnu,
Salutations and salutations to Vaishnavi*,
And to her who sits on a lotus.

*The female aspect of Vishnu.

**Sarva sampath swaropinyai , sarvaaradhyai namo nama,
Hari bhakthi pradhthriyai cha harsha dathryai namo nama. 3**

Salutations and salutations to her who is the form of all wealth,
And to her who is being worshipped by every one.
Salutations and salutations who gives us devotion o Hari,
And to her who grants us happiness.

**Krishna vaksha sthithayai cha Krishnesayai namo nama,
Chandra shobhaa swaropayai , rathna padme cha Shobhane. 4**

Salutations and salutations to her who lives on the chest of Krishna,
And to her follows Lord Krishna like a shadow,
And to her who is personification of moon light,

And to the one who shines like a gem of a lotus.

Sampathyadhishtathas devyai , maha devyai namo nama,
Namo vrudhi swaroopayai , vrudhidhyai namo nama. 5

Salutations and salutations to her who helps us retain wealth,
And to her who is the greatest among the goddesses,
Salutations and salutations to her who has the form of growth,
And to her who blesses us with growth of wealth.

Vaikunde ya Mahalakshmi ya Lakshmi Ksheera sagare,
Swarga Lakshmi Indra gehe Raja Lakshmi nrupalaye. 6

You are the Mahalakshmi of Vaikunta,
The Lakshmi born out of the ocean of milk,
The swarga Lakshmi in Indra's place,
And Raja Lakshmi in the residence of kings.

Graha lakshmeescha Krishnaa gehe Gruha devathaa,
Surabhi sagare Jatha Daksha yagna gamini. 7

In the homes you are the Goddess of the home,
As well as the Lakshmi of the home and Goddess who is black,
You were born along with nectar from the sea,
And you were the one who went to the yaga of Daksha.

Adhithir deva mathaa , thwam kamala kamalalaya,
Swaha thwam cha havir dhane , kavya dhane Swadha smrutha. 8

You are Adhithi the mother of devas,
And the Goddess Kamala who lives in a lotus,
You are the goddess Swaha accepting sacrificial offerings,
And the goddess Swadha accepting offering to ancestors.

Thwam hi Vishnu swaroopa , sarvadharaa Vasundhara,
Sudha sathwa swaroopa , thwam Narayana Parayana. 9

You are the real form of Lord Vishnu,
And you are the all carrying mother earth,
You are the form of the purest essence,
And you are the one who chants the name of Narayana.

Krodha himsa varjitha cha varadhaa saradhaa shubhaa,
Paramartha pradhaa thwam hari dhasya pradha paraa. 10

You are the one who has forsaken anger and violence,

You are the one who blesses and the goddess of knowledge,
You are the one who blesses with all sort of wealth,
And the one who helps all the devotees of Lord Vishnu.

Sarveeshaam para mathaa, sarva bhandhava roopini,
Dhamartha kama mokshaanam thwaya cha karana roopini. 11

You the divine mother for every one,
And the one who is friend and relation of all,
You are the formed personification of all Dharma,
Wealth, desire and the ultimate salvation.

Yadhaa maathaa sthanaam dhaanaam , shishoonaam shaishave sada,
Thadha thwam sarvadhya mathaa sarveshaam sarya roopadhaa. 12

Like the mother giving milk from her breasts,
To the children in their childhood,
You please look after every one,
In all their forms always and forever.

Mathru heena sthanandasthu sa cha jeevathi daivatha,
Thwaya heeno jana kopi na jeevathyeva nischitham. 13

Those babies who do not have mother's milk,
Some how manage to live by grace of God,
But without your grace , it is definite,
That any body can ever manage to live.

Suprasanna swaroopa thwam, maam prasanna bhavambike,
Vairi grastham cha vishayam dehi, mahyam sanathani. 14

You are always joyful and so become pleased with me goddess,
Please do not allow me to fall in hand of enemies* and save me.
* Enemies like poverty , ill health etc.

Aham yavath twaya heeno , bandhu heenascha bhikshuka,
Sarva sampath viheenascha thava deva hari priye,
Jnanam dehi cha dharmam cha sarva sobhagyameemsithaka,
Prabhavam prathapam cha sarvadhikara meva cha hari priye. 15

Jayam parakramam yuthe paramaiswaryamevacha,
Ithyukthwa cha mahendrascha , sarvai sura gana saha. 16

Prananama sa asru nethro moordhana chaiva puna puna,
Brahma sankaraschaiva , Sesho dharmascha Kesava. 17

Due to the absence of your grace , I am a beggar without friends,
And so oh darling of Hari , to this one who does not have any wealth,
Give wisdom . Dharma and all sort of luck, as well as,
Power , fame and all sort of power over others,
And also give me victory, valour and all sort of divine wealth.
Indra spoke thus along with all groups of devas,
And saluted her with a bent head and with eye full of tears again and again,
When Brahma, Shiva, Adhi Sessa, Yama and Vishnu where also present.

Sarve shathru pariharam surarthe cha puna puna,
Devebhyascha varam dathwa pushpa malaam manoharam.

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Kesavaya dhadhau Lakshmi santhushta sura sammathi,
Yayur deva santhushta svam svam sthaanam gatha,
Dathwa shuba aseesham thou sathevebhya preethi poorvakam,
Itham sthothram Maha punyam Trisandhyam ya padeth nara,
Kubhera thulya sa bhaveth Raja Rajeswaro Mahan,
Pancha laksha japenaiva sthothra sidhi Bhaveth runa,
Sidha stothram yathi padeth masa mekanthu santhatham,
Maha sura rajendro Bhavishyathi na samsaya.

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After again and again solving the problems of Devas,
The goddess gave them boons and a very pretty garland,
Was given to them by Lord Vishnu which made them happy.
And all the devas went back happily to their normal places.
After giving good wishes to the Lord Indra she told,
“ The man who reads this greatly blessed prayer at dawn, noon and dusk,
Would become like the God of wealth and would be as great as a king.
If this is repeated half a million times , this prayer would lead him to divine powers,
But If this read continuously for one complete month without break,
He would become , without any doubt, Indra, the king of devas.”