

आयुधानामहं वज्रं धेनूनामस्मि कामधुक् ।
प्रजनश्चास्मि कन्दर्पः सर्पाणामस्मि वासुकिः ॥ २८ ॥

āyudhānāmahaṁ vajraṁ dhenūnāmasmi kāmadhuk
prajānaścāsmi kandarpaḥ sarpāṇāmasmi vāsukih

Of weapons, I am the Vajra (thunderbolt); of cows, I am the celestial cow Kāmadhenu. I am Kāma, the sexual desire responsible for procreation; of serpents, I am Vāsuki. 28

Comment:—

'Āyudhānāmahaṁ vajraṁ'—Of all the weapons, the thunderbolt, which was made of the bones of sage Dadhīci, who gave up his body, is the best one. It involved the willing self-sacrifice of sage Dadhīci. So, the Lord has named the thunderbolt as His glory.

'Dhenūnāmasmi kāmadhuk'—The celestial cow Kāmadhenu came out of the ocean while churning it. This cow has the power to supply all the requirements of the gods and men. So she is said to be the Lord's divine glory.

'Prajanaścāsmi kandarpaḥ'—Kandarpa is Cupid, the god of sexual urge in beings. Progeny is possible because of this urge. This progenerative instinct is to be revered if it is utilized for progeny by renouncing the sensuous pleasures. This urge is His divine glory. In the eleventh verse of the seventh chapter also the Lord declared, "I am sexual desire not in conflict with virtue or scriptural injunction."

'Sarpāṇāmasmi vāsukih'—Vāsuki is the lord of all serpents and is a devotee of the Lord. It was used as the rope to rotate the Mount Meru in the act of churning the ocean. So the Lord speaks of this serpent as His divine glory.

The singularity seen in these divine glories is the Lord's.

