

carried out, everything would have been auspicious and pleasing.

4. After cursing you terribly, the brahmin had walked out of the sacrificial hall in protest. Still you did not understand anything, fool that you were.

5. How is it that you did not honour Satī your daughter, the auspicious lady who herself came to your house ?

6. O you weak in knowledge, how is it that you did not worship Satī and Śiva ? In vain do you feel proud of being Brahmā's son. You are actually deluded.

7. That Satī alone, who quells all sins, who is the mother of three worlds, who has occupied half the body of Śiva and who confers all welfare should be propitiated always.

8. That Satī alone when worshipped for ever confers good fortunes. She is the great goddess who bestows everything auspicious on her devotees.

9. That Satī alone when propitiated for ever destroys the fear from worldly existence. She is the goddess who confers what we desire and who removes all disorders.

10. That Satī alone when propitiated for ever bestows fame and wealth. She is the great Goddess who confers worldly pleasures and salvation.

11. That Satī alone is the creator of the universe, the protectress of the universe, the cause of destruction of the universe at the end of the Kalpa. She is the primordial Śakti.

12. That Satī alone is the Māyā of the universe, the mother of Viṣṇu, of diverse shining features, and the mother of Brahmā, Indra, the moon, the fire, the sun and the devas.

13. That Satī alone is the bestower of the fruits of penance, charitable gifts and virtuous actions. She is the Śakti of Śiva, the great Goddess, the destroyer of the wicked and the greatest of the great.

14. The due share has not been offered by you who are foolish and evil-minded to the lord whose ever beloved wife is the goddess Satī of such glorious features.

15. Śiva indeed is the great lord, the lord of all, the greatest of the great, worthy of being served by Viṣṇu, Brahmā and others and the cause of all welfare.