

Pārvati, instantly peace reigned upon gods and particularly on the Gaṇas.

15. In the meantime, Indra and other gods eulogised and propitiated Śiva joyously and brought him devoutly near Pārvati.

16. After pleasing her they placed the boy in her lap for the happiness of the three worlds.

17. Placing his lotus-like hand on his head, Śiva told the gods. "This is another son of mine."

18-19. Getting up and bowing to Śiva, Pārvati, Viṣṇu and me, Gaṇeśa stood in front of Nārada and other sages and said—"My guilt shall be forgiven. Arrogance is the characteristic of Man's nature."

20. We three Śiva, Viṣṇu and I said to the gods simultaneously with pleasure, after granting him excellent boons

21. "O great gods, just as we three are worshipped in all the three worlds, so also he shall be worshipped by all of you."

22. We are the offsprings of primordial nature. He is also the same and hence worthy of worship. He is the remover of all obstacles and the bestower of the fruits of all rites.

23. He shall be worshipped first and we shall be worshipped afterwards. If he is not worshipped, we too are not worshipped.

24. If the other deities are worshipped when he is not worshipped, the fruit of that rite will be lost. There is no doubt in this matter.

25-26. After saying this we worshipped him. Śiva worshipped Gaṇeśa with various articles of worship. Viṣṇu worshipped him afterwards. I, Brahmā, and Pārvati too worshipped him. He was then worshipped by all the gods and Gaṇas with great joy.

27. In order to gratify Pārvati, Gaṇeśa was proclaimed as the presiding officer by all, Brahmā, Viṣṇu, Śiva and others.

28. Again, with a joyful mind, several boons were granted by Pārvati to him, always favourable to all in the world.