

heaven. It bestows longevity, sons and grandsons, all cherished desires, worldly pleasures and salvation too.

35. It wards off premature death. It is auspicious and it causes peace. It makes bad dreams subside. It is an instrument for the acquisition of keen intellect.

36. It shall be read on all occasions of Śiva's festivals by the people who desire auspicious results. It gives satisfaction to Śiva.

37. At the installation of the idols of the deities this shall be particularly read. At the beginning of all auspicious rites it shall be read with pleasure.

38. With purity in mind and body it shall be heard. All affairs become fruitful thereby. This is true, really true.