

Om, O Bhagavad Gita, with which Partha (Arjuna) was enlightened by the Lord Narayana Himself and which was incorporated in the Mahabharata by the ancient Muni Vyasa—the Divine Mother, the destroyer of rebirth, the showerer of the nectar of Advaita and consisting of eighteen chapters—upon Thee, O Bhagavad Gita! O affectionate Mother! I meditate. 1

नमोऽस्तु ते व्यास विशालबुद्धे फुल्लारविन्दायतपत्रनेत्र ।

येन त्वया भारततैलपूर्णः प्रज्वालितो ज्ञानमयः प्रदीपः ॥ २

*namo 'stu te vyāsa visāla buddhe
phullāravindāyata patra netra ।
yena tvayā bhārata tailapūrṇaḥ
prajvālito jñānamayaḥ pradīpaḥ ॥*

नमः *namaḥ* salutations अस्तु *astu* be ते *te* unto thee व्यास *vyāsa* O Vyasa विशालबुद्धे *visāla buddhe* of profound intellect फुल्ल अरविन्द आयत पत्र नेत्र *phulla aravinda āyata patra netra* with eyes like the petals of a full-blown lotus येन *yena* which त्वया *tvayā* by thee भारत तैल पूर्णः *bhārata taila pūrṇaḥ* full of the oil of the Mahabharata प्रज्वालितः *prajvālitaḥ* lighted ज्ञानमयः *jñānamayaḥ* consisting of wisdom प्रदीपः *pradīpaḥ* lamp

Salutations to thee, O Vyasa of profound intellect and with eyes like the petals of a full-blown lotus, by whom the lamp of knowledge, filled with the oil of the Mahabharata, has been lighted. 2

प्रपन्नपारिजाताय तोत्रवेत्रैकपाणये ।

ज्ञानमुद्राय कृष्णाय गीतामृतदुहे नमः ॥ ३