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कमलाकुचचूचुककुंकुमतो नियतारुणितातुलनीलतनो । कमलायतलोचन लोकपते विजयी भव वेंकटशैलपते ॥ १ ॥

kamalā-kuca-cūcuka-kunkumato niyatāruņitātula-nīlatano kamalāyata-locana lokapate vijayī bhava venkaṭa-śailapate (1)

Lord of Venkaṭācala! One whose matchless blue body is ever rendered red by the saffron on the teats of the breasts of Kamalā (i.e. Śrīdevī)! One whose eyes are broad like the petals of the lotus! O lord of the Universe! Victory to Thee, the lord of Venkaṭācala!

सचतुर्मुखषण्मुखपञ्चमुख प्रमुखाखिलदैवतमौलिमणे । शरणागतवत्सल सारनिधे परिपालय मां वृषशैलपते ॥ २ ॥

> sacaturmukha-ṣaṇmukha-pañcamukhapramukhākhila-daivata-moulimaṇe śaraṇāgatavatsala sāranidhe paripālaya mām vṛṣa-śailapate (2)

The crest-jewel of all Gods like Brahmā, Kumārasvāmī and Maheśvara! The compassionate to those seeking protection Protect me, O Lord of Vṛṣaśaiḷa!

अतिवेलतया तव दुर्विषहैरनुवेलकृतैरपराधशतैः । भरितं त्वरितं वृषशैलपते परया कृपया परिपाहि हरे ॥ ३ ॥

> ativelatayā tava durviṣahairanuvela-kṛtair aparādha-śataiḥ bharitam tvaritam vṛṣa-śailapate parayā kṛpayā paripāhi hare (3)

Lord of Vṛṣasaila! May Thou (O Hari!), with extreme mercy, protect me who always committed various inendurable sins.

अधिवेंकटशैलमुदारमतेर्जनताभिमताधिकदानरतात् । परदेवतया गदितान्निगमैः कमलादयितान्नपरं कलये ॥ ४ ॥

> adhivenkaṭa-śailam udāramaterjanatābhi-matādhika-dānaratāt paradevatayā gaditān nigamaiḥ kamalādayitān na param kalaye (4)

I do not consider supreme any one other than the Lord of Kamalā (i.e. Śrīdevī), who is liberal-minded (and dwells) on Venkaṭacala, who is intent on granting much more than what is desired by the

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devotees and who is described by the Vedas as the Supreme God.

कलवेणुरवावशगोपवधूशतकोटिवृतात्स्मरकोटिसमात्। प्रतिवल्लविकाभिमतात्सुखदात्वसुदेवसुतान्नपरं कलये॥ ५॥

kalaveņu-ravāvaśa-gopavadhūśatakoṭi-vṛtāt smarakoṭi samāt prati vallavikābhimatāt sukhadāt vasudeva-sutān na param kalaye (5)

I do not understand any one other than kṛṣṇa who is surrounded by innumerable cowherdesses (Gopikās) enchanted by the sweet music of (His) Flute, who is equal (in beauty) to myraids of Cupids (Manmathas), who gives joy and who is dear to each Gopikā.

अभिरामगुणाकर दाशरथे जगदेकधनुर्धर धीरमते । रघुनायक राम रमेश विभो वरदो भव देव दयाजलधे ॥ ६ ॥

> abhirāma-guṇākara dāśarathe jagadeka-dhanurdhara dhīramate raghunāyaka rāma rameśa vibho varado bhava deva dayā-jaladhe (6)

Source of enchanting virtues! Rāma! The matchless archer of the Universe! Thy steady-minded! The best of the Raghu-race! Rameśa! The all-pervading! The ocean of compassion! O Lord! grant us boons.

अवनीतनयाकमनीयकरं रजनीकरचारुमुखाम्बुरुहम् । रजनिचरराजतमोमिहिरं महनीयमहं रघुराममये ॥ ७ ॥

avanī-tanayā-kamanīya-karam rajanīkara-cāru-mukhāmbu-ruham, rajanicara-rāja-tamo-mihiram mahanīyam aham raghurāmamaye (7)

I seek refuge of Raghurāma whose hand is desired by Sītā (or that does what Sītā likes), who has a beautiful face like the Moon, who is (like) the Sun (to put an end) to the darkness, i.e. Rāvana (the King of Demons) and who is exalted.

सुमुखं सुहृदं सुलभं सुखदं स्वनुजं च सुखायममोघशरम् । अपहाय रघूद्वहमन्यमहं न कथंचन कंचन जातु भजे ॥ ८ ॥

sumukham suhṛdam sulabham sukhadam svanujam ca sukhāyam amoghaśaram

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apahāya raghūdvaham anyam aham na kathancana kancana jātu bhaje (8)

At no time, and in no way, do I worship any one barring Rāma (who has elevated the Raghu race) who has a handsome face, is good hearted, easily attainable, has good brothers, has a beautiful body and whose arrows are unfailing.

विना वेंकटेशं न नाथो न नाथः सदा वेंकटेशं स्मरामि स्मरामि । हरे वेंकटेश प्रसीद प्रसीद प्रियं वेंकटेश प्रयच्छ ॥ ९ ॥

vinā venkaţeśam na nātho na nāthaḥ sadā venkaţeśam smarāmi smarāmi hare venkaţeśa prasīda prasīda priyam venkaţeśa prayaccha prayaccha (9)

There is no saviour other than Venkațeśa. I ever pray to (or remember) Venkațeśa. O Hari, Venkațeśa ! be pleased grant (us) favours.

अहं दूरतस्ते पदांभोजयुग्मप्रणामेच्छयागत्य सेवां करोमि । सकृत्सेवया नित्यसेवाफलं त्वं प्रयच्छ प्रयच्छ प्रभो वेंकटेश ॥ १० ॥

> aham dūratas te padāmbhoja-yugmapraṇā-mecchayāgatya sevām karomi sakṛt sevayā nitya-sevāphalam tvam prayaccha prayaccha prabho venkaṭeśa (10)

O Lord! Having come from afar (with a desire to salute Thy lotus –like feet) I am serving Thee Venkațeśa! (please) give me, for this occasional worship, the reward given to the regular (daily) worship.

अज्ञानिना मया दोषानशेषान्विहितान्हरे । क्षमस्व त्वं क्षमस्व त्वं शेषशैलशिखामणे ॥ ११ ॥

> ajñāninā mayā doṣān aśeṣān vihitān hare kṣamasva tvaṁ kṣamasva tvaṁ śeṣaśailaśikhāmaṇe (11)

O Hare! The crest- jewel of Śeṣaśaila! Pardon me for all the sins committed by me, an ignorant.