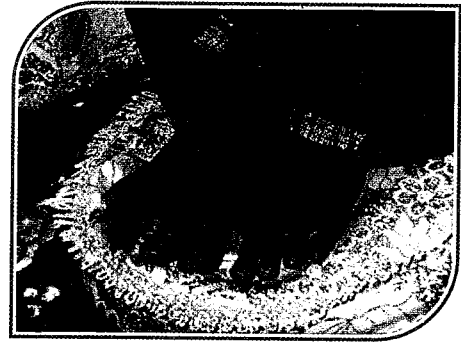


Vedic Chants - 6

The Journey Within



*An Offering at the Lotus Feet of
Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba*

Opening Prayers

gaNaanaaM

shrii gurubhyo namaH | hariH OM ||

gaNaanaaM tvaa gaNapati (gm)

havaamahe kaviM

kaviinaamupama-shravastamam |

jyeshhTha-raajaM bramhaNaaM

bramhaNaspata aa naH

shR^iNvann-uutibhis-siida

saadanam ||

Opening Prayers

gaNaanaaM

Salutations to the teacher (**guru**).

O Lord Ganapati, the Lord of mantras (**gaNaanaaM** - demi-Gods / host of mantras), we invoke (**havaamahe**) You (**tvaa**).

Emperor of Emperors! You are the inspirer of intellect beyond comparison (**upama**). You are omniscient. Lead us to the hearing (**shravastamam**) of Divine inspiration.

You are the Supreme Being (**jyeshhTha-raajaM**), the hymn (**bramhaNaaM** - mantra) and the Lord of hymns (**bramhaNaspata**).

We adore You with our hymns. Please grant us all success.

Hearing (**shR^iNvann**) our (**naH**) invocations, please come and be seated (**siida**) on the seat within (**saadanam**) us and protect (**uutibhis**) us; i.e., May You manifest Your powers in us.

Opening Prayers

Invocation to Sarasvati

-- --
pra No devii sarasvatii
-- --

-- --
vaa Jebhir-vaa jiniivatii |
-- --

-- --
dhiinaama-vitryavatu |
---- --

-- --
gaNeshaaya namaH |

sarasvatyai namaH |

-- --
shrii gurubhyo namaH | hariH OM ||
----- --

-- --
OM shaantiH shaantiH shaantiH ||
-- --



Opening Prayers

Invocation to Sarasvati

O Goddess (**devii**) Sarasvati! You are the Goddess of speech and knowledge. You are the greatest amongst the motivators of imagination and intellect. Fill (**pra**) us with an endless flow of the treasures of knowledge and wisdom (**vaa Jebhir** - plenitude / wealth).

May You make our intellect (**dhi**) leap into understanding. You are the guardian (**avitri**) of thoughts. May You protect (**avatu**) our thoughts.

Salutations (**namaH**) to Ganesha.

Salutations to Sarasvati.

Salutations to the Guru.

Peace, Peace, Peace - Peace to the body, mind and soul.



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namakam

OM namo bhagavate rudraaya ||

OM namaste rudra manyava utota

ishhave namaH | namaste astu

dhanvane baahubhyaam-uta te namaH |

yaa ta ishhuH shivatamaa shivaM

babhuuva te dhanuH | shivaa

sharavyaa yaa tava tayaa no rudra

mR^iDaya | yaa te rudra shivaa

tanuur-aghora. apaapa-kaashinii |

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

Salutations to the God who is Rudra.

The first stanza is to pacify Lord Rudra and seek His blessings.

My salutations to Your anger or wrath (**manyava**) and also to Your arrows (**ishhave**).

My salutations to Your bow (**dhanvane**) and to Your two hands (**baahubhyaam**).

O Rudra! May that arrow (**ishhuH**) of Yours become kindest of all (**shivatamaa**) and that bow (**babhuuva**) and quiver of arrows (**sharavyaa**) be auspicious (**shivaM**) and make me happy (**mR^iDaya**).

O Rudra! You have assumed a benign form (**aghora** – not terrible), a form that destroys our sins (**apaapa-kaashinii**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

--- --
tayaa nastanuvaa shanta-mayaa
-- --- ---
girishanta-abhichaakashiihi |
--- -
yaamishhuM girishanta haste
-- --
bibharshhy-astave | shivaaM giritra
--- --- ---
taaM kuru maa hi(gm)siiH (f)
-- -- ---
purushhaM jagat | shivena vachasaa
----- ---
tvaa girisha-achchhaa-vadaamasi |
--- --
yathaa naH sarvamij-
-- -- --
jagadayakshma(gm) sumanaa asat |
-- ---

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

You are tranquil (**shanta-mayaa**) and full of bliss. (Cal_m)

You reside on the mountain (**girishanta**) of Kailash. Please illumine and enlighten us (**abhichaakashiihi**).

O Lord! You dwell on Mount Kailas (**girishanta**). You hold ((**bibharshhy**) in Your hand (**haste**), the arrow (**ishhuM**) that is ready to be aimed and released (**astave**).

Please make (**kuru**) this arrow auspicious (**shivaaM**) to the human beings (**purushhaM**) and the entire world (**jagat**). Let it not injure (**maa hi(gm)**) anyone.

O Lord of Mount Kailas! We pray (**vadaamasi**) to You with auspicious words (**shivena vachasaa**) so that we may attain (**achchhaa**) You (**tvaa**).

May You make (**asat**) this entire world (**sarvamij-jagad**) free from ills (**ayakshma(gm)**). May all live in amity and with good understanding (**sumanaa**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- ---
adhyavochad-adhivaktaa prathamam
-- ---
daivyo bhishhak | ahii(gu)sh-cha
--- ---
sarvaaJN-jambhayant-sarvaash-cha
-- --
yaatu-dhaanyaH | asau yas-taamro
---- - ---
- - - -
aruNa uta babhruH suma~NgalaH |
-- - -- --
ye chemaa(gm) rudraa abhito dikshu
--- -- - --
shritaaH sahasra-sho.avaishhaa(gm)
---- -- -----
-- -- --
heDa iimahe | asau yo.avasarpati
b -- -- --
niilagriivo vilohitaH |
--

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Lord! May You speak in my favour (**adhyavochad**). May You guide my speech (**adhivaktaa**). You are the foremost (**prathamam** - first) Divine Healer (**bhishhak**).

O Lord! May You destroy (**jambhayant**) my visible enemies (**ahii(gu)sh**) like scorpions, snakes, and tigers and the unseen enemies like the spirits and demons (**yaatu-dhaanyaH** - representing inner enemies).

That Sun is copper-red (**taamro**), rosy (**aruNa**) and golden-yellow (**babhruH**) at different times. May Rudra in the form of this Sun be highly auspicious (**suma~NgalaH**).

There are many other innumerable (**sahasrasho** - thousands) **Rudras** who can be compared to the Sun's rays surrounding us (**abhito**) from all directions (**dikshu**). May You ward off (**ava iimahe**) their anger (**heDa**).

O **Rudra**! You, Who have a blue neck (**niilagriivo**), take on the form of the red (**vilohitaH**) Sun that rises and sets (**avasarpati**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

utainaM gopaa adR^ishan-

nadR^ishann-udahaaryaH |

utainaM vishvaa bhuutaani sa

dR^ishhTo mR^iDayaati naH | namo

astu niila-griivaaya sahasra-

akshaaya miidhushhe | atho ye asya

sattvaano.ahaM tebhyo.akaran-

namaH | pramuJNcha dhanvanastvam-

ubhayor-aartniyor-jyaam |

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

The cowherds (**gopaa**) and the simple women carrying water (**udahaaryaH**) behold (**adR^ishan**) Your majesty everyday.

In fact, the whole world (**vishvaa**) beholds (**dR^ishhTo**) Your majesty and is made happy (**mR^iDayaati**).

O Lord! You have a blue neck (**niilagriivaa**), innumerable (**sahasra** - thousand) eyes (**aksha**) and shower (**miidhushhe**) Your blessings on us.

I offer my salutations (**namo**) to You.

Also (**atho**), I (**ahaM**) offer (**akaran**) my salutations to all who follow You (**asya satvaano**).

O Rudra! Please release (**pramuJNcha**) the bow-string (**jyaam**) from both ends (**ubhayor-aartniyor**) of Your bow (**dhanvanastva**), i.e., Make the bow in-effective.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

yaash-cha te hasta ishhabaH (f)

paraa taa bhagavo vapa | avatatya

dhanustava(gm) sahasraaksha shate-

-shhudhe | nishiirya shalyaanaaM

mukhaa shivo naH sumanaa bhava |

vijyaM dhanuH kapardino vishalyo

baaNavaa(gm) uta | aneshann-

asyeshhava aabhurasya

nishhangathiH |

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O God (**bhagavo**)! Please take away (**paraa vapa**) the arrows (**ishhabaH**) in Your hands (**hasta**), viz., Please do not hurt us with Your bow and arrows.

O Lord! You have innumerable eyes (**sahasraaksha**) and innumerable (**shate** - hundreds) quivers (**shhudhe**).

After unstringing Your bow, please make the sharp tips (**shalyaanaaM**) of Your shafts blunt (**nishiirya**). May these shafts or arrows become (**bhava**) auspicious (**shivo**) and well-intentioned (**sumanaa**) towards us.

O Rudra (**kapardino**)! May Your bow (**dhanuH**) be without its string.

May Your quiver (**baaNavaa(gm)**) have no sharp arrows (**vishalyo**).

May Your arrows (**asyeshhava**) lose their capacity to strike and pierce (**aneshan**).

May Your sword casing (**nishhaJNgathiH**) contain very limited power (**aabhur**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- -- --
yaa te hetir-miiDhushhTama haste
-- -- --
-- -- --
babhuuva te dhanuH | tayaa-
-- -- --
-- -- --
.asmaan , vishvatas-tvamayakshmayaa
-- -- --
-- -- --
paribbhujā | namaste
-- -- --
-- -- --
astvaayu-dhaaya-anaatataaya
-- -- --
-- -- --
dhR^ishhNave | ubhaabhyaamuta te
-- -- --
-- -- --
namo baahubhyaam tava dhanvane |
-- -- --
-- -- --
pari te dhanvano hetirasmaan-
-- -- --
-- -- --
vR^iNaktu vishvataH |
-- -- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Rudra! You are the One who showers blessings (**miiDhushhTama**) on us.

With that weapon (**hetir**) and the bow (**dhanuH**) in Your hands (**haste**), You guard (**paribbhujā**) us from every trouble in the world (**vishvatas**) ensuring that we have no injury or sickness (**ayakshmayaa**) - both physical and internal.

O Rudra! Salutations (**namaste**) to Your potent (**dhR^ishhNave**) weapons which are capable of destruction but are not aimed (**anaatataaya**) at us.

Salutations to Your two hands (**baahubhyaam**) and Your bow (**tava dhanvane**).

O Rudra! May the arrow of Your bow avoid us (**pari vR^iNaktu**) from all sides (**vishvataH** - in all ways).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

atho ya ishhudhistavaare

asman-nidhehi tam ||1||

shambhave namaH | namaste astu bha-

gavan-vishveshvaraaya mahaadevaaya

tryambakaaya tripura-antakaaya

trikaalaagni-kaalaaya kaala-agni-

rudraaya niila-kaNThaaya

mR^ityuJN-jayaaya sarveshvaraaya

sadaa-shivaaya shriiman-

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Rudra! Please loosen (**nidhehi**) Your quiver of arrows and keep it far away from us.

I offer my salutations (**namaste**) to Lord Shiva :

- Who is the Lord of the Universe (**vishveshvara**);
- Who is the great God (**mahaadevaa**);
- Who has three eyes (**tryambakaa**);
- Who is the annihilator of Tripura - the city of the demon; Tripura also represents our ego; (**tripura antaka**);
- Who is the master of sacrificial fire of three kinds (**trikaalaagnii**);
- Who is the Rudra Who consumes everything as the fire of **kaala-agni** at the time of destruction;
- One whose throat is blue (**niila-kaNThaa**);
- Who is the conqueror of death (**mR^ityuJN-jayaa**);
- Who is the Lord of all (**sarveshvara**);
- Who is always auspicious (**sadaa-shiva**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

mahaadevaaya namaH ||
-- --
-- --
namo hiraNya-baahave senaanye
-- --
-- --
dishaaM cha pataye namo namo
-- --
-- --
vR^ikshebhyo hari-keshebhyaH (f)
---- --
-- --
pashuunaaM pataye namo namaH
---- --
-- --
saspiJNjaraaya tvishhiimate
-- --
-- --
pathiinaaM pataye namo namo
---- --
-- --
babhlushaaya vivyaadhine-
-- --
-- --
.annaanaaM pataye namo namo
---- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

Salutations to Rudra Who is the celebrated and great God (**shriiman-mahaadevaa**).

In this stanza, Rudra is praised and realized as being in every aspect of Creation.

O Rudra! My Salutations to You. You have golden hands (**hiraNya-baahave**) and are the leader of the armies (**senaanye**).

My salutations to You - Lord (**pataye**) of the directions (**dishaaM**) and the plants and trees (**vR^ikshebhyo**), Lord of the trees tufted with green leaves (**hari-keshebhyaH**) and Lord of the animals (**pashuu** - cattle).

My salutations to You who is light-yellow in colour with a tinge of red (**saspiJNjaraaya**) and radiant (**tvishhiimate**).

My salutations to You - Lord of the pathways (**pathiinaaM**) and One who rides the bull (**babhlushaaya**).

My salutations (**namo**) to You - Lord (**pataye**) of the varieties of food (**annaanaaM**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

hari-keshaa-yopaviitine
pushhTaanaaM pataye namo namo
bhavasya hetyai jagataaM pataye
namo namo rudraay-aatataavine
kshetraaNaaM pataye namo
namaH suutaaya-ahantyaaya
vanaanaaM pataye namo namo
rohitaaya sthapataye vR^ikshaaNaaM
pataye namo namo mantriNe

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You - Whose hair is always black (**hari-kesh**), Who wears the sacred thread (**upaviitine**) and is the Lord of those who are well endowed and nourished (**pushhTaaNaM**).

My salutations to You Who helps us overcome the afflictions (**hetyai**) of this world (**bhavasya**).

My salutations to You Who is the Lord of this world (**jagataaM**) and to the Rudra Who protects us with His unstrung bow (**aatataavine**).

My salutations to You Who is the protector of the fields (**kshetraaNaaM**) - both physical as well as spiritual fields of knowledge and wisdom.

My salutations to You Who is the charioteer (**suutaaya**), Who has no end (**ahantyaaya**) and Who is the Lord of the forests (**vanaanaaM**),

My salutations to You Who is crimson-coloured (**rohitaaya**) and Who is the master and protector of trees (**vR^ikshaaNaM**) and the mantras (**mantriNe**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

vaaNijaaya kakshaaNaam pataye namo

namo bhuvantaye vaarivaskR^itaa-

yaushhadhiinaam pataye namo nama

uchchair-ghoshhaay-aakrandayate

pattiinaam pataye namo namaH

kR^itsnaviitaaya dhaavate

sattvanaam pataye namaH ||2||

namaH saha-maanaaya nivyaadhina

aavyaadhiniinaam pataye namo namaH

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who brings valuables (**vaaNijaaya** - traders), Who is Lord of all hidden knowledge (**kakshhaaNaM** - impenetrable and dense clumps or thickets), Who has expanded the world (**bhuvantaye**).

My salutations to You Who is Lord (**pataye**) of all riches (**vaarivaskR^itaa**) and medicinal herbs (**yaushhadhi**).

My salutations to the loud praise (**uchchair-ghoshhaay**) of Your devotees and the screaming (**aakrandayate**) of the foes. My salutations to You Who is the Lord of the foot-soldiers (**pattiinaam**).

My salutations to You Who is ever eager to rush (**dhaavate**) to the rescue of the virtuous people (**sattvanaam**) and Who surrounds and destroys one's enemies (**kR^itsnaviitaaya**), both external and internal.

My salutations to You Who subdues the enemies (**saha-maanaaya**) and strikes at them repeatedly (**nivyaadhina**) and Who is the Lord (**pataye**) of such armies (**aavyaadhiniinaam**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- ==
kakubhaaya nishha~NgiNe stenaanaaM

-- --
pataye namo namo nishha~NgiNa

-- --
ishhudhimate taskaraaNaaM pataye

namo namo vaJNchate pari-

vaJNchate staayuunaaM pataye namo

--
namo nicherave

--
paricharaay-aaraNyaanaaM

-- --
pataye namo namaH sR^ikaavibhyo

--
jighaa(gm)-sadbhyo mushhNataaM

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who are the leader (**kakubhaaya**), Who is attached to His devotees (**nishhaJNgiNe**), Who is the Lord of the thieves who steal discretely (**stenaanaaM**), Who is attached to the devotees (**nishhaJNgiNa**) and Who owns the quiver (**ishhudhimate**). My salutations to You Who is the Lord of the robbers who rob openly (**taskaraaNaaM**). *** Note 1

My salutations to You Who is the Lord of those who worm themselves into the confidence of others before cheating them occasionally (**vaJNchate**), those who systematically cheat (**parivaJNchate**) and the burglars (**staayuunaaM**).

*** Note 1

My salutations to You Who is constantly moving (**nicherave**), Who is the Lord of the forests (**aaraNyaanaaM**), Who wields the weapon (**sR^ikaa**) that destroys our undesirable tendencies and Who is the Lord of the destructive ones (**jighaa(gm) sadbhyo**) and the Lord of thieves (**mushhNataaM**). *** Note 1

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

pataye namo namo.asimadbhyo

naktan-charadbhyaH (f)

prakR^intaanaaM pataye namo nama

ushhNiishhiNe giri-charaaya

kuluJNchaanaaM pataye namo nama

ishhu-madbhyo dhanvaa-vibhyash-cha

vo namo nama aatanvaanebhyaH (f)

prati-dadhaanebhyash-cha vo namo

nama aayachchhadbhyo visR^ijad-

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who bears the form of a swordsman (**asimadbhyo**) and Who moves about in the night (**naktan-charadbhyaH**).

My salutations to You Who the Lord of those who steal and kill (**prakR^intaanaaM**).

My salutations to You Who has a light (**ushhNiishhiNe** - head turban), Who climbs the mountains (**giri-charaaya**) and Who is the Lord of those who grab land (**kuluJNchaanaaM**).

My salutations to You Who carries arrows (**ishhu**) and bows (**dhanvaa**).

My salutations to You Who stretches the bow (**aatanvaanebhya**) and places the arrow in the bow (**prati-dadhaanebhyash**).

My salutations to You Who bends the bow (**aayachchhadbhyo**) and releases it (**visR^ijadbhyashcha**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- --
bhyash cha vo namo namo.asyadbhyo
-- -- --

--
vidhyad-bhyash-cha vo namo nama
-- -- --

aasiinebhyaH shayaane-bhyash-cha
--

--
vo namo namaH svapadbhyo jaagrad-
-- -- --

bhyash-cha vo namo namas-tishhThad-
-- -- --

--
bhyo dhaavad-bhyash-cha vo namo
-- -- --

--
namaH sabhaabhyah sabhaa-pati-
-- -- --

--
bhyash-cha vo namo namo ashvebhyo-
-- -- --

--
.ashva-patibhyashcha vo namaH ||3||
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Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who hurls (**asyadbhyo**)
and pierces the target (**vidhyad-bhyashcha**).

My salutations to You Who is seated
(**aasiinebhyaH**) and reclining (**shayaane-
bhyashcha**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form the
dream state (**svapadbhyo**) and the state of
complete wakefulness (**jaagrad-bhyash**).

My salutations to You Who is standing
(**tishhThadbhyo**) and running (**dhaavad-
bhyash**).

*** Note 2

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of all
those who attend the assembly (**sabhaabhyah**)
and those who preside over the assembly
(**sabhaa-pati**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
horses (**ashvebhyo** - life-energies) and Who is
the Lord of horses (**ashva-pati**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- ==
nama aavyaadhiniibhyo vividh-
--- --
--
yantiibhyash-cha vo namo nama
-- -- --
-- --
ugaNaabhyas-tR^i(gm)hatiibhyash-
-- --
-- --
cha vo namo namo gR^itsebhyo
-- -- ----
--
gR^itsa-patibhyash-cha vo namo namo
---- -- -- --
== --
vraatebhyo vraata-pati-bhyash-cha
-- --
-- -- --
vo namo namo gaNebhyo gaNapati-
-- -- -- --
-- --
bhyashcha vo namo namo viruupabhyo
-- -- --

vishva-ruupabhyash-cha vo namo
-- -- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who can strike and pierce (the veil of illusion) from all sides (aavyadhiniibhyo) and in manifold ways (vividh-yantiibhyash).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of energies that are benign (ugaNaabhyas) and those that are fierce (tR^i(gm)hatiibhyash).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of those who hanker after the sensory world (gR^itsebhyo) and their Lord (gR^itsa-patibhyash).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of variety of people (vraatebhyo) or tendencies (vritti) and as their Lord (vraata-pati). This can also mean ritual vow and the Lord of ritual vows.

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of attendants of Rudra (gaNebhyo) and as their Lord (gaNapati).

My salutations to You Who exist as the Formless One (viruupabhyo) and as the One with the Cosmic Form (vishva-rupebhyash).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- --
namo mahad-bhyaH , kshullake-

-- -- --
bhyash-cha vo namo namo

-- --
rathibhyo.arathebhyash-cha vo namo

=== ---
namo rathebhyo ratha-pati-bhyash-

-- --
cha vo namo namaH senaabhyaH

-- --
sena-nibhyash-cha vo namo

-- --
namaH , kshattR^ibhyaH

--- --
sangrahiitR^ibhyash-cha vo namo

namas-takshabhyo ratha-

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is great (**mahad-bhyaH**) and small (**kshullake-bhyash**).

My salutations to You Who has chariots (**rathibhyo**) and who is also chariot-less (**arathebhyash**).

{ **Note** : Chariot also refers to our gross and subtle bodies. }

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of chariots (**rathebhyo**) and as their Lord (**ratha-pati**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of soldiers or army (**senaabhyaH**) and as their Lord (**sena-nibhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of those who teach and train charioteers (**kshattR^ibhyaH**) and those who drive the chariots themselves (**sangrahiitR^ibhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of carpenters (**takshabhyo**) and chariot makers (**ratha-kaarebhyash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

--
kaarebhyash-cha vo namo namaH
--- -- -- --
-- ==
kulaalebhyaH karmaare-bhyash-cha
-- --
-- ==
vo namo namaH (f) puJNjishhTebhyo
-- -- --
-- --
nishhaadebhyash-cha vo namo nama
----- -- --
--
ishhukR^idbhyo dhanva-
----- --
-- --
kR^idbhyash-cha vo namo namo
-- --
-- --
mR^iga-yubhyaH shvanibhyash-cha
-- --
-- --
vo namo namaH shvabhyaH shvapati-
-- -- --
-- --
bhyash-cha vo namaH ||4||
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Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
potters (**kulaalebhyaH**) and as black-smiths,
viz., those who work with metal (**karmaare-
bhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
fowlers (**puJNjishhTebhyo**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
fishermen (**nishhaadebhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
makers of arrows (**ishhukR^idbhyo**) and
makers of bows (**dhanva-kR^idbhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
hunters (**mR^iga-yubhyaH**) and keepers of
hounds (**shvanibhyash**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of
dogs (**shvabhyaH**) and as their Lord (**shvapati-
bhyash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- -- --
namo bhavaaya cha rudraaya cha
--- ---
-- -- --
namaH sharvaaya cha pashu-pataye
--- ---
--
cha namo niila-griivaaya cha
--- --
---- --
shiti-kaNThaaya cha namaH
-- --
-- --
kapardine cha vyupta-keshaaya
-- ---
-- --
cha namaH sahasraakshaaya cha
--- ---
--- --
shata-dhanvane cha namo
--- ---
-- --
girishaaya cha shipi-vishhTaaya
-- --
-- --
cha namo miiDhushhTamaaya
--- ---

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is the Source of all beings (**bhavaaya**) and the Destroyer (**rudra-aya**) of all. My salutations to You Who is the cause of dissolution (**sharvaaya**) and the protector of all beings (**pashu** - animals).

My salutations to You Who has a blue neck (**niila-griivaaya**) and a white throat (**shiti-kaNThaaya**).

My salutations to You Who wears Your hair in a braid (**kapardine**) and is clean-shaven (**vyupta-keshaaya** - no hair).

My salutations to You Who has innumerable (**sahasra** - thousand) eyes (**akshaaya**) and many (**shata** - hundred) bows (**shata-dhanvane**).

My salutations to You Who resides in mountains (**girishaaya**) and in the living beings as their inner controller (**shipi-vishhTaaya**); and Who showers us with plenty of everything (**miiDhushhTamaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

----- == --
cheshhumate cha namo hrasvaaya

-- --
cha vaamanaaya cha namo bR^ihate
-- --
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cha varshhiyase cha namo

-- --
vR^iddhaaya cha saMvR^idhvane cha

-- --
namo agriyaaya cha prathamaaya
-- --
-- -- --
cha nama aashave cha-ajiraaya cha

namaH shiighriyaaya cha shiibhyaaya
-- --
-- -- --
cha nama uurmyaaya cha-avasvanyaaya

-- -- --
cha namaH srotasyaaya

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who holds the arrows
(**cheshhumate**).

My salutations to You Who are short
(**hrasvaaya**), a dwarf (**vaamanaaya**) and a
giant (**bR^ihate**), i.e., One Who is very vast.

My salutations to You Who showers us with
energies (**varshhiyase**), Who is ancient
(**vR^iddhaaya** - old) and Whose glory is sung
(**saMvR^idvane**).

My salutations to You Who is the chief or leader
(**agriyaaya**) and Who is most important
(**prathamaaya** - first).

My salutations to You Who pervades (**aashave**),
Who moves swiftly (**ajiraaya**) and speedily
(**shiighriyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who carries Himself
quickly and gracefully like water (**shiibhyaaya**)
and Who is in the midst of waves (**uurmyaaya**),
amid still waters (**uurmyaaya**) and among a
stream (**strotasyaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

cha dviipyaaya cha ||5||

namo jyeshhThaaya cha kanishhThaaya

cha namaH (f) puurvajaaya cha-apara-

jaaya cha namo madhyamaaya

cha-apagalbhaaya cha namo jaghan-

yaaya cha budhniyaaya cha namaH

sobhyaaya cha prati-saryaaya cha

namo yaamyaya cha kshemyaya cha

nama urvaryaaya cha khalyaaya cha

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is in an island
(*dviipyaaya*).

My salutations to You Who is the oldest
(*jyeshhThaaya*) and the youngest (*kanishhThaaya*); Who is the first-born (*puurva-jaaya*); Who remains after everything has left (*apara-jaaya* - born later) and Who exist in the form of gods, animals and all beings (*madhyamaaya* - was born in the middle).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of a young person with undeveloped senses (*apagalbhaaya*), Who is born from the hind part of the body like the calves (*jaghanyaaya*) and Who is born from roots like the plants (*budhniyaaya*); Who is present in both vice and virtue (*sobhyaaya*) and Who is our protector (*prati-saryaaya* - amulet).

My salutations to You Who controls death (*yaamyaya*) and grants liberation (*kshemyaya*); Who is found in green fields that need ploughing (*urvaryaaya*) and on farm-yards (*khalyaaya*).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

namaH shlokyaaaya chaa.avasaanyaaya
cha namo vanyaaya cha kakshyaaya
cha namaH shravaaya cha prati-
shravaaya cha nama aashushheNaaya
chaashurathaaya cha namaH shuuraaya
cha-avabhindate cha namo varmiNe
cha varuuthine cha namo bilmine
cha kavachine cha namaH shrutaaya
cha shruta-senaaya cha ||6||

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is established in Vedas (**shlokyaaaya** - mantras) and in Upanishads (**avasaanyaaya** - end of Vedas or Vedanta); Who is in the forests (**vanyaaya**) and in the bushes (**kakshyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of sound (**shravaaya**) and its echo (**prati-shravaaya**).

My salutations to You Whose army moves swiftly (**aashushheNaaya**) and Whose chariot moves fast (**aashu-rathaaya**).

My salutations to You Who is the warrior-hero (**shuuraaya**) and the destroyer of foes (**avabhindate**).

My salutations to You Who has an armour (**varmiNe**), a residence (**varuuthine**) and a helmet (**bilmine**).

My salutations to You Who has an armour (**kavachine**); Who is praised (**shrutaaya**) and Whose army is praised (**shruta-senaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

namo dundubhyaaya cha-ahananyaaya
cha namo dhR^ishhNave cha
pramR^ishaaya cha namo duutaaya cha
prahitaaya cha namo nishha~NgiNe
cheshhudhimate cha namas-tiikshNe-
shhave chaayudhine cha namaH
svaayudhaaya cha sudhanvane cha
namaH srutyaaya cha pathyaaya cha
namaH kaaTyaaya cha niipyaaya

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is in the form of a drum (**dundubhyaaya**) and a drum-stick (**ahananyaaya**); Who is bold (**dhR^ishhNave**) and cautious (**pramR^ishaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of a messenger (**duutaaya**) and a special representative sent for special purposes (**prahitaaya**) and Who bears the sword (**nishha~NgiNe**).

My salutations to You Who wields the quiver (**cheshhudhimate**), Who has sharp arrows (**tiikshNeshhave**) and many weapons (**aayudhine**).

My salutations to You Who has Your own weapon - **Trishula** (**svaayudhaaya**) and bow - **Pinaka** (**sudhanvane**).

My salutations to You Who walks on small paths (**srutyaaya**) and on well-developed roads (**pathyaaya**); and Who is in marshy places (**kaaTyaaya**) and in pools (**niipyaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

cha namaH suudyaaya cha sarasyaaya

cha namo naadyaaya cha

vaishantaaya cha namaH kuupyaaya

cha-avaTyaaya cha namo varshhyaaya

cha-avarshhyaaya cha namo meghyaaya

cha vidyutyaaya cha nama iidhriyaa-

ya chaatapyaya cha namo vaatyaaya

cha reshmiaaya cha namo vaastav-

yaaya cha vaastu paaya cha ||7||

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who is in the ditch (**suudyaaya**) and the lake (**sarasyaaya**); Who exist as the water in river-currents (**naadyaaya**) and as the water in a pool (**vaishantaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as water in a well (**kuupyaaya**) and in a pit (**avaTyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as water of the rains (**varshhyaaya**) and as water in the seas and springs that do not depend on the rain (**avarshhyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as clouds (**meghyaaya**), lightning (**vidyutyaaya**) and the clear autumn sky (**iidhriyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as the hot Sun (**aatapyaya**), as the rain with strong wind (**vaatyaaya**) and as hail-storms (**reshmiaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as wealth (**vaastavyaaya**) and as the One Who protects this wealth (**vaastu paaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

namaH somaaya cha rudraaya cha
 namas-taamraaya cha-arunaaya
 cha namaH sha~Ngaaya cha
 pashu-pataye cha nama ugraaya cha
 bhiimaaya cha namo agre-vadhaaya
 cha duure-vadhaaya cha namo
 hantre cha haniiyase cha namo
 vR^ikshebhyo hari-keshebhyo namas-
 taaraaya namash-shaMbhava cha

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who removes all miseries (**rudraaya**) and Who is the Lord of Divine nectar (**somaaya**) of bliss.

My salutations to You Who have the crimson-red (**taamraaya**) colour of the rising Sun and the golden hue (**aruNaaya**) of the Sun that has risen.

My salutations to You Who grants us happiness (**sha~Ngaaya**) and Who is the Lord of all beings (**pashu** - animal) and are fierce (**ugraaya**).

My salutations to You Who is terrifying and strikes terror at sight (**bhiimaaya**); Who strikes from the front (**agre-vadhaaya**) and from afar (**duure-vadhaaya**); Who destroys enemies (**hantre**) and Who destroys all at the time of final dissolution (**haniiyase**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of trees (**vR^ikshebhyo**) and green foliage (**hari-keshebhyo**); Who is established in the OM and help us to cross the ocean of birth and death (**taaraaya**); Who helps us to attain (**bhave** - become) bliss and peace of the other world (**shaMbhava**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

mayo-bhave cha namaH sha~Nkaraaya

cha mayas-karaaya cha namaH

shivaaya cha shiva-taraaya cha

namas-tiirthyaaya cha kuulyaaya

cha namaH (f) paaryaaya

cha-avaaryaaya cha namaH (f)

prataraNaaya chottaraNaaya cha

nama aataaryaaya chaalaadyaaya

cha namaH shashhpyaaya cha

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who helps us to attain bliss and peace of this world (**mayobhave**); Who creates (**karaaya** – does) bliss and peace of the other world (**sha~Nkaraaya**) and bliss and peace of this world (**mayaskaraaya**).

My salutations to You Who are auspicious (**shivaaya**) and more auspicious than all others (**shiva-taraaya**); Who is present in holy-places (**namas-tiirthyaaya**) and on the banks of rivers (**kuulyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who are on the other shore (**paaryaaya**) and on this shore as well (**avaaryaaya**); Who has helped us take this birth across the ocean of death – a birth that will help us overcome the cycle of birth and death (**prataraNaaya**). Having helped us come here, You also help us cross this ocean of birth and death and reach the other side (**uttaraNaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist as the One Who is born again and again in this world (**aataaryaaya**); Who tastes the fruits of all actions (**aalaadyaaya**) and Who exist in the form of tender grass (**shashhpyaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

phenyaaya cha namaH sikatyaaya

cha pravaahyaaya cha ||8||

nama iriNyaaya cha prapathyaaya

cha namaH ki(gm)shilaaya cha

kshayaNaaya cha namaH

kapardine cha pulastaye cha namo

goshhThyaaya cha gR^ihyaaya cha

namas-talpyaaya cha gehyaaya

cha namaH kaaTyaaaya cha

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who exist in the form of foam in waves or water (**phenyaaya**); Who exist in the form of sand (**sikatyaaya**) and flowing water (**pravaahyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in saline tracts (**iriNyaaya**), in well-trodden pathways (**prapathyaaya**), in rocky, rugged and uninhabitable places (**ki(gm)shilaaya**) as well as in habitable places (**kshayaNaaya**).

My salutations to You Who has matted locks (**kapardine**) and wavy, curly tresses (**pulastaye**) and Who exist in places of knowledge (**goshhThyaaya** - cow-pens) and in homesteads (**gR^ihyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who reclines on couches (**talpyaaya**) and in stately mansions (**gehyaaya**) and Who exist in thorny, impenetrable forest-places (**kaaTyaaaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

gahvareshhThaaya cha namo
 hradayyaaya cha niveshpyaaya
 cha namaH (f) paa(gm)-savyaaya cha
 rajasyaaya cha namaH
 shushhkyaya cha harityaaya cha
 namo lopyaaya cholapyaya cha
 nama uurvyaya cha suurmyaya cha
 namaH (f) parNyaaya cha parNa-
 shadyaaya cha namo.apaguramaaNaya

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who exist in mountain caves (**gahvareshhThaaya**), in deep waters (**hradayyaaya**) and in the dew drops (**niveshpyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in minute, atomic and invisible dust (**paa(gm)-savyaaya**) and in visible particles of dust (**rajasyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in dry, fire-wood (**shushhkyaya**), in green, wet grasslands (**harityaaya**), in hard, barren soil (**lopyaaya**) and in coarse grass (**ulapyaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in the vegetation that is grown on earth (**uurvyaya**) and in the river that has fair waves (**suurmyaya**).

My salutations to You Who exist in green leaves (**parNyaaya**) and the dried ones (**parNashadyaaya**).

My salutations to You Who has uplifted arms (**paguramaaNaya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

chaabhighnate cha nama aakhkhidate
-- -- --

cha prakhkhidate cha namo vaH
-- -- --

kirikebhyo devaanaa(gm) hR^idaye-
-- -- --

bhyo namo vikshiiNakebhyo namo
-- -- --

vichinvatkebhyo nama aanirhatebhyo
-- -- --

nama aamiivatkebhyaH ||9||
-- -- --

draape andhasaspate
-- -- --

daridran-niilalohita |
-- -- --

eshhaaM purushhaaNaam-eshhaaM
-- -- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

My salutations to You Who strikes from the front (**abhighnate**); Who causes afflictions that are slight (**aakhkhidate**) and serious (**prakhkhidate**).

My salutations to You Who showers wealth (**kirikebhyo**) and resides in the hearts (**hR^idayebhyo**) of the gods and virtuous people (**devaanaa(gm)**).

My salutations to You Who are undecaying (**vikshiiNakebhyo**); Who gathers for us and grants us our desired objects (**vichinvatkebhyo**); Who destroys our sins in all forms (**aanirhatebhyo**) and Who exist even in the gross forms of those who have rejected the Inner Self (**aamiivatkebhyaH**).

O Rudra! You are the dispenser of all food (**andhasaspate**) and are dark-blue (**niila**) in the neck and red (**lohita**) elsewhere. You make sinners lead contemptible lives (**draape**) and choose to remain poor (**daridran**) even amongst all riches.

O Rudra! Frighten not these (**eshhaaM**) people (**purushhaaNaam**) who are near and dear to us.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

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pashuunaam maa bher-maa.aro mo

- -- --
eshhaam kinchan-aamamat | yaa te

rudra shivaa tanuuH shivaa
--- --

--
vishvaaha-bheshhajii | shivaa
--- --

--
rudrasya bheshhajii tayaa no

==
mR^iDa jiivase | imaa(gm)
--- --

-- -- ==
rudraaya tavase kapardine
--- --

kshaya-dviiraaya prabharaamahe

--- --
matim | yathaa naH shamasad-
--- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Rudra! Frighten not these cattle (**pashuunaam**) of ours. Let not even one (**kinchan**) among these (relations and cattle) be frightened (**maa bher**), perish (**maa.aro**) or get ill (**mo aamamat**).

Oh Rudra! We invoke that auspicious (**shivaa**) form of Yours that is auspicious and healing (**bheshhajii**) for all days (**vishvaaha**).

O Rudra! With this auspicious and healing form of Yours, grant us bliss (**mR^iDa**) for life (**jiivase**).

O Rudra! You are strong (**tavase**), have matted hair (**kapardine**) and destroy foes (**kshaya-dviiraaya**).

May we foster and nourish our intellect (**prabharaamahe**) and mind (**matim**) with worship and meditation on You.

O Rudra! Let Your grace and this attitude of ours lead to happiness (**sham**) for all humans (**dvipade**) and animals (**chatushpade**), ...

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

dvipade chatushhpade vishvaM

pushhTaM graame asmin-nanaaturam |

mR^iDaa no rudrota no mayaskR^idhi

kshaya-dviiraaya namasaa vidhema

te | yachchhaM cha yosh-cha

manur-aayaje pitaa tadashyaama

tava rudra praNiitau | maa no

mahaantam-uta maa no arbhakaM

maa na ukshantam-uta maa na

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namakam

...
and for all members of this community (**graame** - village). May all beings of this world (**vishvaM**) be well-nourished (**pushhTaM**) and free from disease (**anaaturam**).

O Rudra! Confer on us happiness (**mR^iDaa**) in this world and in the next. O Rudra! You who have destroyed our sins (**kshaya-dviiraaya**). We serve and worship You with our salutations (**namasaa vidhema**).

O Rudra! By Your blessings (**tava praNiitau**), let us obtain (**ashyaama**) that happiness (**yachchhaM**) and freedom from sorrow (**yoshcha**) which Manu, our ancestor and father (**pitaa**) sought for and obtained.

O Rudra! Do not (**maa**) afflict the elders (**mahaantam**), the tender babes (**arbhakaM**), the youth capable of procreation (**ukshantam**) and the child in the womb (**ukshitam**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

ukshitam | maa no.avadhiiH (f)

pitaraM mota maataram priyaa maa

nastanuvo rudra riirishhaH |

maa nastoke tanaye maa na aayushhi

maa no goshhu maa no ashveshhu

riirishhaH | viiraan-maa no rudra

bhaamito.avadhiir-havishh-manto

namasaa vidhema te |

aaraatte goghna uta puurushhaghne

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Rudra! Do not (**maa**) afflict (**vadhiiH**) our fathers (**pitaraM**) and our mothers (**maataram**).

O Rudra! Protect the bodies of people dear (**priyaa**) to us.

O Rudra! Protect our children (**toke**), descendants (**tanaye**) and our life (**aayushhi**).

O Rudra! Protect our knowledge (**goshhu** - cows) and our life-energies (**ashveshhu** - horses).

O Rudra! Being angered (**bhaamito**) at our lapses, do not hurt us and our warriors (**viiraan**). We shall serve and worship and salute (**namasaa**) You with these offerings (**havishhmanto**) into the sacred fire.

O Rudra! May the terrible form of Yours that destroys enemy warriors (**kshaya-dviiraaya**) be far away (**aaraatte**) from our cattle (**goghna**) and our people (**puurushhaghne**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

kshayadviiraaya sumnamasme te

astu | rakshaa cha no adhi cha deva

bruuhyadhaa cha naH sharma yachchha

dvi-barhaaH | stuhi shrutaM

gartasadaM yuvaanaM mR^iganna

bhiimam-upahatnum-ugram |

mR^iDaa jaritre rudra stavaano

anyante asman-nivapantu senaaH |

pariNo rudrasya hetir-vR^iNaktu

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

May (**astu**) that form of Yours which confers happiness (**sumnamasme**) be near us.

O Rudra! Protect (**rakshaa**) us and bless (**bruuhyadhaa** - declare) us with happiness (**sharma**) of both (**dvi** - two) the worlds.

O Man! Praise (**stuhi**) the famous (**shrutaM**) One Who is seated in the hollow of the heart (**gartasadaM**); Who is ever youthful (**yuvaanaM**); Who is terrible like a lion (**mR^iganna bhiima**), fierce (**ugram**) and Who destroys (**upahatnum**).

O Rudra! We are in these bodies that decay (**jaritre**) everyday. Praised by us (**stavaano**), may You grant us happiness (**mR^iDaa**).

May Your armies (**senaaH**) strike (**nivapantu**) at others (**anyante**); not us. Let that weapon of Yours (**rudrasya hetir**) spare us (**pari vR^iNaktu**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- -- --
pari tveshhasya durmati raghaayoH |

-- -- --
ava sthira maghavadbhyas-tanushhva

-- -- --
miiDhvas-tokaaya tanayaaya

-- -- --
mR^iDaya | miiDhushhTama

-- -- --
shivatama shivo naH sumanaa bhava |

-- -- --
parame vR^iksha aayudhan-nidhaaya

-- -- --
kR^ittiM vasaana aachara

-- -- --
pinaakaM bibhrad-aagahi |

-- -- --
vikirida vilohita namaste astu

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

May Your blazing anger (**durmatir**) at our sins and the resultant keenness to punish us (**aghaayoH**), depart from us. O Rudra! Please withdraw (**tanushhva**) the intention (**sthira**) to punish us. We have offered You our sacrifices (**maghavadbhyas**) and prayers.

You are a bestower of blessings (**miiDhvas**). Please make our sons (**tokaaya**) and descendants (**tanayaaya**) happy (**mR^iDaya**).

O Rudra! You are the Supreme bestower of blessings (**miiDhushhTama**). You are supremely auspicious (**shivatama**). Be (**bhava**) auspicious (**shivo**) and bear goodwill (**sumanaa**) to us.

O Rudra! Place your threatening and hurtful weapons (**aayudhan-nidhaaya**) on some tall and distant tree (**parame vR^iksha**). Approach (**aachara**) us wearing your elephant-hide garment (**kR^ittiM vasaana**). Come (**aagahi**) bearing your **Pinaka** bow (**pinaakaM bibhrad**).

O Rudra! You shower us with wealth (**vikirida**). I salute (**namaste**) that Lord (**bhagavaH**) who is not red (**vilohita**) in colour, viz., white in colour.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

bhagavaH | yaaste sahasra(gm)

hetayonyam-asman-nivapantu taaH |

sahasraaNi sahasradhaa baahuvostava

hetayaH | taasaam-iishaano

bhagavaH (f) paraachiinaa

mukhaa kR^idhi ||10||

sahasraaNi sahasrasho ye rudraa

adhi bhuumyaam | teshhaa(gm)

sahasra-yojane.ava-dhanvaani

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

O Rudra! May Your thousands (**sahasra(gm)**) of weapons (**hetay**) destroy (**nivapantu**) others (**yonyam**); not us.

O Rudra! In Your arms (**baahuvostava**) exist thousands (**sahasradhaa**) of kinds of weapons (**hetayaH**) in thousands of numbers (**sahasraaNi**).

O Lord (**bhagavaH**)! You are their master and Lord (**taasaam-iishaano**). Please turn these weapons' (**kR^idhi**) faces (**mukhaa**) away (**paraachiinaa**) from us.

The different Rudras (**ye rudraa**) live on the face of the earth (**bhuumyaam**) in thousands of varieties (**sahasrasho**) and thousands of numbers (**sahasraaNi**).

We shall loosen (**tanmasi**) the bow-strings of all these Rudras and deposit their bows (**dhanvaani**), thousands (**sahasra**) of leagues (**yojane** - a unit of measuring distance), away from us.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

tanmasi | asmin-mahatyarNave-

.antarikshe bhavaa adhi |

niila-griivaaH shiti-kaNThaaH

sharvaa adhaH , kshamaa-charaaH |

niilagriivaaH shitikaNThaa

diva(gm) rudraa upa-shritaaH |

ye vR^iksheshhu saspiJNjaraa

niila-griivaa vilohitaaH | ye

bhuutaanaam-adhipatayo

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namakam

There are Rudras who dwell in the sublime ocean (**mahatyarNave**) and the space between sky and earth (**antarikshe**).

There are Rudras who are blue-necked (**niilagriivaaH**), have white throats (**shitikaNThaaH**) and wander (**aacharaaH**) in the nether regions (**kshama**).

There are Rudras who are blue-necked (**niilagriivaaH**), have white throats (**shitikaNThaaH**) and dwell (**shritaaH**) in the heaven (**diva(gm)**).

There are Rudras who live on trees (**vR^iksheshhu**) and are blue-necked.

There are Rudras who have the colour of tender grass (**saspiJNjaraa**) and those who are white (**vilohitaaH** - not red) in colour.

There are Rudras who are Lord (**adipatayo**) of all beings (**bhuutaanaam**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

-- --
vishikhaasaH kapardinaH | ye
--- --

-- --
anneshhu vividhyanti paatreshhu
-- --

-- --
pibato janaan | ye pathaaM
-- --

-- ----
pathirakshaya ailabR^idaa
--- ----

--- --
yavyudhaH | ye tiirthaani
-- ---

-- --
pracharanti sR^ikaavanto nishha~N-
--- ----

-- --
giNaH | ya etaa-vantash-cha
- ---

-- --
bhuuyaa (gm) sash-cha disho
--- --

-- --
rudraa vitasthire | teshhaa (gm)
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Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

Some of these Rudras are bald (**vishikhaasaH**) and some have matted hair (**kapardinaH**).

There are Rudras who are in the different varieties (**vividhyanti**) of food (**anneshhu**), vessels (**paatreshhu**) and in the drinks (**pibato**) that people (**janaan**) consume.

There are Rudras who are the Lord and protector (**pathirakshaya**) of the pathways (**pathaaM**).

There are Rudras who distribute food (**ailabR^idaa**) and who are warriors (**yavyudhaH**).

There are Rudras who roam (**pracharanti**) in holy places (**tiirthaani**) with spears (**sR^ikaavanto**) and quivers (**nishha~NgiNaH**).

There are Rudras who have been mentioned so far (**etaa-vantash**). Over and above them, there are those who occupy (**vitasthire**) the directions (**disho**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

sahasra-yojane.avadhanvaani

tanmasi |

namo rudrebhyo ye pR^ithivyaam

ye.antarikshe ye divi

yeshhaam-annaM vaato

varshham-ishhavas-tebhyo dasha

praachiir-dasha dakshiNaa dasha

pratiichiir-dasho-diichiir-

dashordhvaas-tebhyo namaste no

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

We shall loosen (**tanmasi**) the bow-strings of all these Rudras and deposit their bows (**dhanvaani**), thousands (**sahasra**) of leagues (**yojane** - a unit of measuring distance), away from us.

My salutations (**namo**) to those Rudras (**rudrebhyo**) who dwell on the earth (**pR^ithivyaam**), in the atmosphere (**antarikshe**) and in the sky (**divi**).

Food (**annaM**), wind (**vaato**) and rain (**varshham**) are the arrows (**ishhavas**) of these Rudras.

With the ten (**dasha**) fingers joined, I bow to them (the Rudras) facing the east (**praachiir**), the south (**dakshiNaa**), the west (**pratiichiir**), the north (**udiichiir**) and upwards (**uurdhvaas**).

Salutations to them.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

mR^iDayantu te yaM dvishhmo

yash-cha no dveshhTi taM vo

jambhe dadhaami ||11||

tryambakaM yajaamahe sugandhiM

pushhTivardhanam | urvaarukamiva

bandhanaan mR^ityor

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

May they make us happy (**mR^iDayantu**). They whom we hate (**dvishhmo**) and they who hate us (**dveshhTi**), I consign (**dadhaami** - give) them into the yawning mouths (**jambhe**) of the Rudras.

{ **Note** : What is consigned is the hate and not the person. }

O Omniscient Divinity! We adore You. O Lord! Full of excellent fragrance, You are the nourisher and the sustainer of all life. As the cucumber is freed from the stem when it is ripe, so too, liberate us from both death and fear of death. Grant us the nectar of Immortality.

tryambakaM : one with 3 eyes. The Third Eye is the eye of Omniscience and infinite Knowledge.

yajaamahe : we meditate, we adore, we revere.

sugandhiM : full of precious fragrance - the fragrance of unlimited Love.

pushhTi-varadhanam : who nourishes and sustains all life-forms at all levels.

urvaarukam-iva bandhanaan : Just as a ripe cucumber drops off the plant, effortlessly, so too, may I be freed of my bondages when I am ready.

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

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mukshiiya maa.amR^itaat |
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-- --
yo rudro agnau yo apsu ya
--

oshhadhiishhu yo rudro vishvaa

--
bhuvanaa vivesha
--

--- --
tasmai rudraaya namo astu | tamu
--

shhTuhi yaH svishhuH sudhanvaa
--

-- --
yo vishvasya kshayati bheshhajasya |
--

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

== == --
yakshvaamahe saumanasaaya rudraM
-- -- --

== --
namobhir-devam-asuraM duvasya |
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-- --
ayaM me hasto bhagavaan-ayaM me
-- -- --

-- ==
bhagavattaraH | ayaM me
--

===
vishva-bheshhajo.aya (gm)
-- --

shivaa-bhimarshanaH |

-- --
ye te sahasram-ayutaM paashaa
-- -- --

--- --
mR^ityo martyaaya hantave |
-- --

-- --
taan yaGYasya maayayaa sarvaanava
-- -- --

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

mR^ityor-mukshiiya : O Lord! Deliver me from physical death and death in the form of ignorance and lack of devotion and love.

{ **Note** : Most fruits drop off the plant when they are ripe, i.e., The fruit makes the effort to be free. In the case of cucumber, the plant releases its hold on the cucumber when it is ripe. }

My salutations (**namo**) to that Rudra who has entered into and pervaded fire (**agnau**), the waters (**apsu**), vegetation (**oshhadhiishhu**) and all the worlds (**vishvaa bhuvanaa**).

Let us praise Him who has the auspicious arrow (**svishhuH**) and bow (**sudhanvaa**).

He is the source and repository of all medicines (**bheshhajasya**) in this world (**vishvasya**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

Let us worship Him (**yakshvaamahe**) for good thinking and understanding (**saumanasaaya**).

Let us adore and honour that effulgent Rudra with our salutations (**namobhir duvasya**).

This right hand of mine (**ayaM me hasto**) is fortunate (**bhagavaan**), due to its contact with the Lingam (**shivaa-bhimarshanaH**).

In fact, it is more fortunate (**bhagavattaraH**) than the other hand.

Indeed this hand of mine is a panacea (**bheshhajo**) for all human ills.

O Death (**mR^ityo**) in the form of Rudras! You have countless (**sahasram** - thousand, **ayutaM** - ten-thousand) nooses (**paashaa**) to destroy mortal creatures (**martyaaya hantave**).

I worship You with these subtle (**maayayaa**) sacrifices (**yaGYasya**) and offerings for complete protection (**sarvaanava**).

Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

yajaamahe | mR^ityave svaahaa

====
mR^ityave svaahaa |

OM namo bhagavate rudraaya
--

vishhNave mR^ityurme paahi |

praaNaanaaM granthirasi rodro

maa vishaantakaH | tenaan-

====
nenaapyayasva | namo rudraaya

vishhNave mR^ityurme paahi ||

OM shaantiH shaantiH shaantiH ||
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Vedic Chants - VI

namakam

Hail to death! Hail to Death!

svaahaa - is a sacred call to the deities. It means - I offer wholeheartedly without any reservations. Another interpretation is 'So be it' or Amen.

Salutation to Rudra and Vishnu.

May they help me across (**paahi**) death (**mR^ityurme**).

O Rudra! You remove (**vishaantakaH** - end) the blockages (**granthirasi** - knots) in the flow of the life-breath (**praaNaanaaM**); viz., You remove all obstacles in life and death.

Be pleased with my offerings and cast your benevolent and auspicious sight on me.

Salutation to Rudra and Vishnu. May they help me across (**paahi**) death (**mR^ityurme**).

Peace, Peace, Peace - Peace to the body, mind and soul.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

OM agnaavishhNuu sajoshhasemaa-
vardhantu vaan giraH |
dyumnair-vaajebhir-aagatam |
vaajash-cha me prasavash-cha
me prayatish-cha me prasitish-
cha me dhiitish-cha me kratush-cha
me svarash-cha me shlokash-cha
me shraavash-cha me shrutish-cha
me jyotish-cha me suvash-cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Agni (**agnaa**)! O Vishnu! May these words of mine please You both.

May You come (**aagatam**) with radiance and plenty (**vaajebhir**).

{ **Note** : In this first stanza, we pray for physical, vital and mental powers.

cha = and ; **me / ma** = to me (grant me) }

May You grant me plenty of all kinds of resources (**vaajash** - food), permission to share these (**prasavash**), effort (**prayatish**), inclination (**prasitish** - keen appetite), assimilation (**dhiitish** - digestion) and action (**kratush** - also yaGYaa).

{ **Note** : Prayer is not just for food but internal energies and qualities as well. }

May You grant me speech (**svarash** - also ability to chant mantras with correct intonations), knowledge of the mantras (**shlokash**), good voice (**shraavash** - also ability to chant mantras correctly), capacity to listen (**shrutish**), especially listen to the Veda mantras, light and illumination (**jyotish**) and the world of Gods and light (**suvash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

praaNash-cha me.apaanash-cha
me vyaanash-cha me.asush-cha me
chittaM cha ma aadhiitaM cha me
vaak-cha me manash-cha me
chakshush-cha me shrotraM cha me
dakshash-cha me balaM cha ma
ojash-cha me sahash-cha ma
aayush-cha me jaraa cha ma
aatmaa cha me tanuush-cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May You grant me incoming breath (**praaNash**), outgoing breath (**apaanash**), the distributing breath (**vyaanash**) and the life-force that has the above breaths (**asush**).

May You grant me consciousness (**chittaM**), learning (**aadhiitaM**), right speech (**vaak**) and right mind or attitude (**manash**).

May You grant me right vision (**chakshush**), right hearing (**shrotraM**), right functioning of all senses (**dakshash**) and strength (**balaM**) at the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual levels.

May You grant me vigour, energy or splendour (**ojash**), patience and capacity to overcome enemies and obstacles (**sahash**), long and vigorous life (**aayush**), healthy and venerable old age (**jaraa**), knowledge of the Inner Self (**aatmaa**) and a well-knit and capable body (**tanuush**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

sharma cha me varma cha
me.a~Ngaani cha me.asthaani cha
me paruu(gm)shhi cha me
shariiraaNi cha me ||1||
jyaishhThyaM cha ma aadhipatyaM
cha me manyush-cha me
bhaamash-cha
me.amash-cha me.ambhash-cha
me jemaa cha me mahimaa cha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May You grant me happiness (**sharma**), protection (**varma**), strong limbs and organs (**a~Ngaani**) and healthy bones (**asthaani**).

May You grant me healthy joints (**paruu(gm)-shhi**) and able and noble bodies (**shariiraaNi**).

{ **Note** : The reference, here, is to our multiple bodies – both gross and subtle. }

This stanza highlights the goals that we may be blessed to achieve with the abilities mentioned in the previous stanza.

May I be blessed with eminence (**jyaishhThyaM**), leadership qualities and opportunities (**aadhipatyaM**) righteous-wrath (**manyush**), reasonable manifestation of such anger (**bhaamash**), strength or depth (**amash**), ability to quieten such anger quickly (**ambhash** - cool sweet waters), capacity to win (**jemaa**) and greatness or fame (**mahimaa**).

{ **Note** : Anger, that prompts good actions and helps fight against internal and external obstacles, is positive. }

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me varimaa cha me prathimaa cha me

varshhmaa cha me draaghuyaa cha me

vR^iddhaM cha me vR^iddhish-cha

me satyaM cha me shraddhaa cha

me jagach-cha me

dhanaM cha me vashash-cha me

tvishhish-cha me

kriiDaa cha me modash-cha me

jaataM cha me janishhyamaaNam

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with the ability to be valued and praised by others (**varimaa**), expansiveness and accomplishments (**prathimaa**), might (**varshhmaa**) and the expansion of mind and heart (**draaghuyaa**).

May I be blessed with growth (**vR^iddhaM**), ability or capacity to grow (**vR^iddhish**), Truth (**satyaM**) and faith (**shraddhaa**).

May I be blessed with this world (**jagach**) and all we need to make our stay in this world comfortable, wealth – both material and spiritual (**dhanaM**) and personal charm (**vashash**).

May I be blessed with the glow of the body (**tvishhish**), ability to play sports (**kriiDaa**) and sportsmanship, involvement in others' sports (**modash** - delight), development of existing qualities (**jaataM** - born) and manifestation of latent qualities (**janishhyamaaNam** - will be born).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

cha me suuktaM cha me sukR^itaM
cha me vittaM cha me vedyaM cha
me bhuutaM cha me bhavishhyach-
cha me sugaM cha me
supathaM cha ma R^iddhaM cha ma
R^iddhish-cha me kL^iptaM cha
me kL^iptish-cha me matish-cha
me sumatish-cha me ||2||

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with good words and ability to chant the Vedas (**suuktaM** - well said), auspiciousness due to good deeds (**sukR^itaM**), resources or means (**vittaM**) and knowledge (**vedyaM**) of That which is to be known.

May I be blessed with the ability to learn from the past (**bhuutaM**) and to forgive and forget, the ability to shape the future (**bhavishhyach**) through current actions and auspiciousness (**sugaM**) and auspicious goals.

May I be blessed with auspicious paths or journeys (**supathaM**), affluence (**R^iddhaM**), all-sided progress (**R^iddhish**), capacity to accumulate (**kL^iptaM**), capacity to use what has been accumulated (**kL^iptish**) in a judicious and befitting manner, thinking (**matish**) and right thinking (**sumatish**) along with clarity and a balanced intellect.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

shaM cha me mayash-cha

me priyaM cha

me.anukaamash-cha me kaamashcha me

saumanasash-cha me bhadraM cha me

shreyash-cha me vasyash-cha me

yashash-cha me bhagash-cha me

draviNaM cha me yantaa cha me

dhartaa cha me kshemash-cha me

dhR^itishcha me vishvaM cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

In this stanza, the worshipper prays for goals to be achieved by the use of one's mental and emotional capabilities.

*May I be be blessed with happiness and welfare of this world (**shaM**), bliss (**mayash**) – which is from the other world and the basis of all happiness, delight (**priyaM**).*

*May I be be blessed with desire for necessities (**anukaamash**), desire (**kaamash**), good relationships (**saumanasash**); auspiciousness (**bhadraM**), welfare – both material and spiritual (**shreyash**) and a good dwelling (**vasyash**).*

*May I be be blessed with fame (**yashash**), enjoyment (**bhagash**), auspiciousness, riches (**draviNaM**) and direction, proper guidance and teaching (**yantaa**).*

*May I be be blessed with support and nourishment from others (**dhartaa**), protection (**kshemash**) and capacity to protect, fortitude (**dhR^itish**) and the whole universe – all good qualities (**visvaM**).*

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

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mahash-cha me saMvich-cha

me GYaatraM cha me
-- --
suush-cha me prasuush-cha me

siiraM cha me layash-cha ma

R^itaM cha me.amR^itaM cha

me.ayakshmaM cha me.anaamayach-cha

me jiivaatush-cha me diirghaayutvaM

cha me.anamitraM cha me.abhayaM cha

me sugaM cha me shayanaM

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be be blessed with greatness (**mahash**), abundant spiritual knowledge or discovery (**saMvich**), and knowledge that leads to wisdom (**GYaatraM**).

May I be be blessed with inspiration (**suush**), capacity to inspire (**prasuush**), plough (**siiraM**) and removal of all obstruction in agriculture (**layash**).

{ **Note** : Attaining knowledge and wisdom is akin to farming, the mind and heart need to be ploughed, weeded and prepared for knowledge to take root and flower into wisdom. }

May I be be blessed with right action (**R^itaM**), immortality (**amR^itaM**), freedom from serious diseases (**ayakshmaM**) and freedom from ordinary illness (**anaamayach**).

May I be be blessed with medicine and healing (**jiivaatush**) – both at physical and emotional levels, long life (**diirgha-ayutvaM**), absence of enemies (**anamitraM**) – both external and internal, fearlessness (**abhayaM**), goodness or auspiciousness (**sugaM**) and good sleep (**shayanaM**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

cha me suushhaa

cha me sudinaM cha me ||3||

uurkcha me suunR^itaa cha me

payash-cha me rasash-cha me

ghR^itaM cha me madhu cha me

sagdhish-cha me sapiitish-cha

me kR^ishhhish-cha me

vR^ishhTish-cha me jaitraM cha ma

audbhidyam cha me rayish-cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be be blessed with good mornings or
dawns (**suushhaa**) and auspicious days
(**sudinaM**).

In this stanza, the worshipper seeks blessings
for nourishing his bodies, the physical as well as
the subtle.

O Lord! May I be blessed with food (**uurk**),
pleasant speech (**suunR^itaa**), milk of
knowledge (**payash** - payasa is a sweet milk-
based drink), essence of knowledge and
existence (**rasash**), mental clarity (**ghR^itaM** -
ghee), delight or bliss (**madhu** - honey), eating or
food (**sagdhish**), drinking or liquid foods
(**sapiitish**) and effort (**kR^ishhhish** - agriculture).

May I be blessed with energies (**vR^ishhTish** -
rain), success (**jaitraM**), fulfillment or
accomplishment (**audbhidyam** - that comes out
breaking the earth) and gold (**rayish**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

raayash-cha me pushhTaM cha me
 pushhTish-cha me vibhu cha me
 prabhu cha me bahu cha me
 bhuuyash-cha me puurNaM cha me
 puurNataraM cha me.akshitish-cha
 me kuuyavaash-cha me.annaM cha
 me.akshuch-cha me vriihayash-cha me
 yavaash-cha me maashhaash-cha me
 tilaash-cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with precious stones (**raayash**), growth (**pushhTaM**), nourishment (**pushhTish**) and excellent varieties of cereals and legumes (**vibhu**).

May I be blessed with lordship over the agriculture or the Lord Himself (**prabhu**), plentiful supply of grains (**bahu**) and a wide-variety of crops or wideness (**bhuuyash**).

May I be blessed with wholeness or completeness (**puurNaM**) both in agriculture as well as in my personality, and a level even beyond completeness (**puurNa-taraM**).

May I be blessed with a supply that does not reduce (**akshitish**), small sized grains (**kuuyavaash**), food (**annaM**) and freedom from hunger (**akshuch**).

May I be blessed with paddy or rice (**vriihayash**), barley (**yavaash**), black-gram beans (**maashhaash**) and sesame (**tilaash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

--- ===
mudgaash-cha me khalvaash-cha me
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=== ===
godhuumaash-cha me masuraash-cha me
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priyangavash-cha me .aNavash-cha

===
me shyaamakaash-cha me

===
niivaaraash-cha me ||4||

--- --
ashmaa cha me mR^ittikaa
--

--
cha me girayash-cha
--

--
me parvataash-cha me
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--
sikataash-cha me
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Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with green gram (**mudgaash**),
castor seed (**khalvaash**), wheat (**godhuu-**
maash) and white, bengal-gram lentils
(**masuraash**).

May I be blessed with elongated, bushy millet
(**priyangavash**), superior paddy (**aNavash**),
excellent roots (**shyaamakaash**) and wild
varieties of grains (**niivaaraash**).

In this stanza, the worshipper seeks to see the
unity in all of nature and prays for harmonious
living with nature.

O Lord! May I be blessed with stone (**ashmaa**),
clay (**mR^ittikaa**), hills (**girayash**), huge,
mountains (**parvataash**) and sand (**sikataash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

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vanaspatayash-cha me hiraNyaM cha
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me.ayash-cha me siisaM cha me
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trapush-cha me shyaamaM cha me

lohaM cha me.agnish-cha ma
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aapash-cha me viirudhash-cha ma

oshhadhayash-cha me

kR^ishhTa-pachyaM cha
--

me.akR^ishhTa-pachyaM cha me
--

graamyaash-cha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with fruit-bearing trees
(*vanaspatayash*), gold (*hiraNyaM*), iron
(*ayash*), lead (*siisaM*), tin (*trapush*), black iron
(*shyaamaM*), bronze and copper (*lohaM*) and
fire or will-power (*agnish*).

May I be blessed with waters or energies
(*aapash*), roots and creepers (*viirudhash*) and
medicinal herbs (*oshhadhayash*).

May I be blessed with what grows on ploughed
land (*kR^ishhTapachyaM*), what grows on
unploughed land (*akR^ishhTapachyaM*), tame
cattle (*graamyaash pashava* - cattle in
villages).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me pashava aaraNyaash-cha

yaGYena kalpantaam

vittaM cha me vittish-cha me

bhuutaM cha me bhuutish-cha me

vasu cha me vasatish-cha me

karma cha me shaktish-cha

me.arthash-cha ma

emash-cha ma itish-cha me

gatish-cha me ||5||

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with wild animals (**aaraNyaash pashava** – animals in forests).

May all these become harmonious through my sacrifice (**yaGYena**).

May I be blessed with wealth (**vittaM**), gain of wealth (**vittish**), attainment (**bhuutaM**) at both material and spiritual levels and the process of such attainment (**bhuutish**).

May I be blessed with riches (**vasu**), a comfortable dwelling (**vasatish**), ability to perform sacred actions (**karma**) and power or energy (**shaktish**) to conduct such holy acts.

May I be blessed with a meaningful aim or purpose (**arthash**), happiness or fulfillment (**emash**), the path (**itish**) and movement (**gatish**) towards or attainment of the final goal.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

agnish-cha ma indrash-cha me
--

somash-cha ma
--

indrash-cha me savitaa cha ma
--

indrash-cha me
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--
sarasvatii cha ma indrash-cha me
--

puushhaa cha ma indrash-cha me
--

--
bR^ihaspatish-cha ma
--

indrash-cha me mitrash-cha ma
--

indrash-cha me
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Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

*In this stanza, the worshipper prays to be blessed and to attain the Cosmic Deities. Each deity represents a subtle energy or quality within us. **Indra** who grants discriminating intelligence is invoked with each god.*

*May **Agni** - the Lord of Fire and will-power, **Soma** - the Lord of bliss, **Savita** - the most adored Creator and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

*May **Sarasvati**, the Goddess of speech, learning and Inspiration, **Puushhaa**, One who illuminates and nourishes and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

*May **Brihaspati**, the Divine Preceptor and Lord of all that is vast and expansive, **Mitra**, the Lord of light or understanding and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

-- ---
varuNash-cha ma indrash-cha me

tvashhTaa cha ma indrash-cha me

dhaataa --- ---
cha ma indrash-cha

me vishhhNush-cha ma indrash-cha

me.ashvinau cha ma indrash-cha

me marutash-cha ma indrash-cha

me vishve-cha me devaa indrash-cha

me pR^ithivii cha ma indrash-cha

me.antarikshaM cha ma indrash-cha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

*May **Varuna**, the Lord of the ocean of knowledge, **Tvashhta**, the Lord of right vision and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

*May **Dhaataa**, the Lord of right hearing, **Vishnu**, the all-pervading One and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

*May the **Ashvins**, the Divine Physicians, **Marut**, the Lord of mental speed and agility and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.*

May all the gods (**vishve devaa**), this Earth (**pr^ithivii**) representing this world, the sky (**antariksham**) representing the mid-world and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me dyaush-cha ma indrash-cha
me dishash-cha ma indrash-cha
me muurdhaa cha ma
indrash-cha me prajaapatish-cha
ma indrash-cha me ||6||
a(gm)shush-cha me rashmish-cha
me.adaabhyash-cha me.adhipatish-cha
ma upaa(gm)shush-cha me.antaryaa-
mash-cha ma aindravaaya-vash-cha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May the heavens (**dyaush**), the directions (**dishash**), the worlds above (**muurdhaa**) and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.

May **Prajapati**, the ruler of all and **Indra**, the Lord of the Divine mind bless me.

In this stanza, the worshipper offers various vessels that are used in a Soma yaGYa. Every external yaGYa can be done internally as well. Soma signifies delight or bliss. In the internal yaGYa, each vessel has symbolic significance.

O Lord! Please bless me with effulgence (**a(gm)shush**), rays of knowledge (**rashmish**), power of the invincible One (**adaabhyash**), vessel to give curd or knowledge (**adhipatish**), the light within (**upaa(gm)shush**), power of the inner controller (**antaryaamash**) and the powers of **Indra** and **Vayu** – powers of intelligence and the ability to grasp quickly.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me maitraa-varuNash-cha ma

aashvinash-cha me prati-

prasthaanash-cha me shukrash-cha

me manthii cha ma aagrayaNash-

cha me vaishvadevash-cha me

dhruvash-cha me vaishvaanarash-

cha ma R^itugrahaash-cha

me.atigraahyaash-cha ma

aindraagnash-cha me

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with the powers of **Mitra** - light or understanding, **Varuna** - ocean of knowledge and the **Ashvins**, who are the Divine Physicians.

May I be blessed with the foundation (**prati-prasthaanash**) and the power of **Shukra** - immortality, the ability to churn (**manthii**) and find the nectar within (**aagrayaNash**) and the ability to lead.

May I be blessed with the power of all the gods (**vaishvadevash**) and steady progress (**dhruvash**) in all spheres of my life.

May I be blessed with the blessings of all the gods (**vaishvaanarash**) and the power of the nine planets (**R^itu-grahaash**).

May I be blessed with the knowledge fit to be acquired (**atigraahyaash**) and the power of **Indra** - Divine intelligence and **Agni** - will-power.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

vaishva-devaash-cha me

marut-vatiiyaash-cha me

maahendrash-cha ma aadityash-

cha me saavitrash-cha me

saarasvatash-cha me paushhNash-

cha me paatniivatash-cha me

haariyojanash-cha me ||7||

idhmash-cha me barhish-cha me

vedish-cha me dhishhNiyaash-cha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May I be blessed with the power of all the gods (**vaishvadevash**) and the power of the **Maruts** – mental agility and swiftness.

May I be blessed with the power of the Supreme Indra (**maahendra**), the power of the Sun (**aadityash**) – Light and illumination and ability to nourish and the creative power of **Savita**.

May I be blessed with the power of **Sarasvati** – power of speech and learning, the nourishing power of **Puushhaa**, the powers of all the wives (**paatnii**) of the gods, i.e., the **shaktis** and the ability to be merged (**yojana**) with **Hari** or God.

In this stanza, the worshipper makes various offerings in the yaGYa. Again, in the internal yaGYa, each has a symbolic significance.

O Lord! May my body be the the sanctified sticks used as fuel (**idhmash**), my hair the durva grass that purifies (**barhish**), my heart the main sacrificial altar (**vedish**) and my vital-airs the minor sacrificial altars (**dhishhNiyaash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me sruhash-cha me chamasaash-cha

me graavaaNash-cha me svaravash-

-cha ma uparavaash-cha

me.adhishhavaNe cha me

droNakalashash-cha me vaayavyaani

cha me puutabhR^ich-cha ma

aadhavaniiyash-cha ma

aagniidhraM cha me havirdhaanaM

cha me gR^ihaash-cha me sadash-cha

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chamakam

May and my organs of perception be the ladles (**sruhash**) used in a yaGYa, my organs of action the bowl (**chamasaash**) that is used to collect **soma** and my bones the pressing stones (**graavaaNash**) used to crush the **soma** plant.

May the pores in my body be the wooden knives fixed in the sacrificial post (**svaravash**), my head the four pits in the sacrifice (**uparavaash**) and my face the flat, wooden pieces used to extract the **soma** juice (**adhishhavaNe**).

May the bottom of my throat be the vessel used for soma (**droNakalashash**) and the svaras or notes be the other vessels used for soma (**vaayavyaani**) and my purity the mud vessel that is used to hold the water (**puutabhR^ich**).

May my splendour be the mud vessel (**aadhavaniiyash**) used to hold the soma juice, my intellect or budhhi be the place for lighting the sacred fire (**aagniidhraM**), my consciousness the platform for keeping the offering (**havirdhaanaM**), my senses the houses set aside for the wives of the priests (**gR^ihaash**) and my heart the platform on which the hymns are chanted (**sadash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me puroDaashaash-cha me pacha-

taash-cha me.avabhR^ithash-cha

me svagaakaarash-cha me ||8||

agnish-cha me gharmash-cha

me.arkash-cha me

suuryash-cha me praaNash-cha

me.ashvamedhash-cha me pR^ithivii

cha me.aditish-cha me ditish-cha

me dyaushcha me shakvariira~Ngulayo

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May my desires be the offerings made to the fire (**puroDaashaash**), my ignorance the place where **havis** or sacrificial rice is cooked (**pachataash**), my subtle energy channels be the ceremonial bath at the end of the yaGYa (**avabhR^ithash**) and my entire body the chants with which the gods are invoked, i.e., **svaahaa** (**svagaakaarash**).

In this stanza, the worshipper realizes that not only himself but all of the Cosmos is part of the Supreme God.

O Lord! The fire of will-power (**agni**), the blaze of knowledge (**gharmash**), hymns of illumination (**arkash**), the Sun of Supreme Light (**suuryash**) and the vital life-breath (**praaNash**) are all a part of You.

O Lord! The intelligence of the life-force (**ashvamedhash**), the Earth (**pR^ithivii**), oceans (**diti**) and the mountains (**aditi**) are all a part of You.

O Lord! The heaven (**dyau**) and the directions (**dishash**) that spread like fingers (**a~Ngulayo**) of the Cosmic Being are a part of You.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

--- --
dishash-cha me yaGYena
--- --
kalpantaam-R^ik-cha me saama cha
--- --
me stomash-cha me yajush-cha me
--- --
--- --
diikshaa cha me tapash-cha
--- --
--- --
ma R^itush-cha me vrataM cha
--- --
==
me.ahoraatraylor-vR^ishhTyaa
--- --
--- --
bR^ihadhrathantare cha
--- --
--
me yaGYena kalpetaam ||9||
--- --
=== ---
garbhaash-cha me vatsaash-cha
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Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Lord! May the powers in all of the above manifest in me and help me in performing this yaGYa (**yaGYena kalpantaam**).

O Lord! The verses of the Rig Veda (**R^ik**), Sama Veda (**saama**), Atharva Veda (**stomash**) and Yajur Veda (**yajush**) are a part of You.

O Lord! The power of word or teaching (**diikshaa**), the power of penance (**tapash**), the power of seasons or Divine timing (**R^itush**) and the power of pious vows (**vrataM**) are all a part of You.

O Lord! The shower or rain (**vR^ishhTyaa**) of energies day and night (**ahoraatraylor**) are also a part of You.

O Lord! The power of two **Sama** chants - **bR^ihad** and **rathantare** are a part of You. May all these powers manifest in me and help me in performing this yaGYa (**yaGYena kalpantaam**).

In this stanza, the worshipper offers animals as part of the sacrifice. ...

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

me tryavish-cha me tryavii-cha
me dityavaaT cha me dityauhii
cha me paJNchaavish-cha me
paJNchaavii cha me
trivatsash-cha me trivatsaa cha
me turyavaaT cha me turyauhii
cha me pashhThavaaT cha me
pashhThauhii cha ma ukshaa cha
me vashaa cha ma R^ishhabhash-

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

... Each animal represents a certain phase in human-development as well as an undesirable (or animal-like) quality that we need to offer or give up.

O Lord! I offer calves in the womb of the cows (**garbhaash**), new-born calves (**vatsaash**), one and half-year old male calf (**tryavish**), one and half-year old female calf (**tryavii**), two-year old male bull (**dityavaaT**), female (**dityauhii**) cow, two and a half-year old male bull (**paJNchaavish**) and female (**paJNchaavii**) cow, three-year old male bull (**trivatsash**) and female (**trivatsaa**) cow.

O Lord! I offer three and a half-year old male bull (**turyavaaT**) and female (**turyauhii**) cow, and four-year old male bull (**pashhThavaaT**).

O Lord! I offer female (**pashhThauhii**) cow, a full-grown bull (**ukshaa**), a barren cow (**vashaa**) and a powerful ox or bull (**R^ishhabhash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

--- ---
cha me vehach-cha me.anaDvaaJN-

--- ---
cha me dhenush-cha ma

-- --
aayur-yaGYena kalpataaM

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praaNo yaGYena kalpataam-

--- ---
apaano yaGYena kalpataaM

--- ---
vyaano yaGYena kalpataaM

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chakshur-yaGYena kalpataa(gu)

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shrotraM yaGYena kalpataaM

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mano yaGYena kalpataaM

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Lord! I offer cows with dead calves (**vehach**),
bullock or those who pull wagons (**anaDvaaJN**)
and milch-cows (**dhenush**).

May my life (**aayur**) and my incoming vital-air
(**praaNo**) become perfect through this yaGYa.

Let these be employed for the benefit of the
yaGYa.

May my outgoing vital-air (**apaano**) and the vital-
air that circulates everywhere (**vyaano**) become
perfect through this yaGYa.

Let these be employed for the benefit of the
yaGYa.

May my vision (**chakshur**), hearing (**shrotraM**)
and mind (**mano**) become perfect through this
yaGYa.

Let these be employed for the benefit of the
yaGYa.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

vaag-yaGYena kalpataam-

aatmaa yaGYena kalpataaM

yaGYo yaGYena kalpataam ||10||

ekaa cha me tistrash-cha me

paJNcha cha me sapta cha me

nava cha ma ekaa-dasha cha me

trayo-dasha cha me paJNcha-dasha

cha me sapta-dasha cha me

navadasha cha ma

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

May my speech (**vaag**) , my entire self (**aatmaa**) and this yaGYa (**yaGYo**) itself become perfect through this yaGYa.

Let these be employed for the benefit of the yaGYa.

Having offered all undesirable qualities, in this stanza the worshipper seeks powers or knowledge and wisdom associated with various numbers. The numbers are all symbolic.

O Lord! May I be blessed with the following odd numbers :

one (**ekaa**) : the One God;
three (**tistrash**) : the 3 states, bodies, attributes;
five (**paJNcha**) : the 5 elements, senses, sheaths;
seven (**sapta**) : the 5 senses + mind + intellect;
nine (**nava**) : the body with nine openings;
eleven (**ekaa-dasha**) : the 10 vital-airs + Atma;
thirteen (**trayo-dasha**), fifteen (**paJNcha-dasha**), seventeen (**sapta-dasha**) and nineteen (**nava-dasha**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

eka-vi (gm) shatish-cha me

trayo-vi (gm) shatish-cha me

paJNcha-vi (gm) shatish-cha me

sapta-vi (gm) shatish-cha me

nava-vi (gm) shatish-cha ma

eka-tri (gm) shach-cha me

trayas-tri (gm) shach-cha me

chatastrash-cha me.ashhTau cha

me dvaa-dasha cha me shhoDasha

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Lord! May I be blessed with the following odd numbers :

twenty-one (**eka-vi(gm)shatish**),
twenty-three (**trayo-vi(gm)shatish**),
twenty-five (**paJNcha-vi(gm)shatish**),
twenty-seven (**sapta-vi(gm)shatish**) and
twenty-nine (**nava-vi(gm)shatish**).

O Lord! May I be blessed with thirty-one (**eka-tri(gm)shach**) and thirty-three (**trayas-tri(gm)shach**).

O Lord! May I be blessed with the following even numbers :

four (**chatastrash**) representing the 4 goals of human life and the 4 Vedas; eight (**ashhTau**) representing the 4 Vedas and 4 upa-vedas; twelve (**dvaa-dasha**) representing the 12 months and sixteen (**shhoDasha**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

cha me vi(gm)shatish-cha me

chatur-vi(gm)shatish-cha

me.ashhTaa-vi(gm)-shatish-cha me

dvaa-tri(gm)shach-cha me

shhaT-tri(gm)shach-cha me

chatvaari(gm)shach-cha me

chatush-chatvaari(gm)shach-cha

me.ashhTaachatvaari(gm)shach-cha me

vaajash-cha prasavash-chaapijash-

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Lord! May I be blessed with the following even numbers :

twenty (**vi(gm)shatish**),
twenty-four (**chatur-vi(gm)shatish**),
twenty-eight (**ashhTaa-vi(gm)shatish**) and
thirty-two (**dvaa-tri(gm)shach**).

O Lord! May I be blessed with the following even numbers :

thirty-six (**shhaT-tri(gm)shach**),
forty (**chatvari(gm)shach**),
forty-four (**chatush-chatvaari(gm)shach**) and
forty-eight (**ashhTaa-chatvaari(gm)shach**).

O Lord! May I be blessed with food (**vaajash**),
production of food (**prasavash**) and recurring
growth of food (**apijash**).

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

cha kratushcha suvashcha muurdhaa
--- ---

cha vyashni-yashcha-antyaayanash-
--- ---

chaantyash-cha bhauvanash-cha
--- ---

bhuvanashcha-adhipatish-cha ||11||
--- ---

OM iDaa devahuurmanuryaGYaniir-
--- ---

bR^ihaspatir-ukthaamadaani
--- ---

sha (gm) sishhad-vishve devaaH
--- ---

suukta-vaachaH (f) pR^ithivi-
--- ---

maatarmaa maa hi (gm)-siir-
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Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

O Lord! May I be blessed with desire and will to enjoy all that has been granted (**kratush**), the Sun or the world of light (**suvash**) and mental power (**muurdhaa** - head).

May I attain the Supreme who pervades everything (**vyashni**), the One who is born in the end (**antyaayanash**), the One who stays in the end (**antyash**), the One who is born of this world (**bhauvanash**), this world itself (**bhuvanash**) and the Lord of this world (**adhipatish**).

OM. May **iDaa** summon the Gods.
May **Manu** conduct or lead the yaGYaa.

May **Brhaspati** chant the hymns that grant joy.
May all the gods (**vishvedevas**) recite the hymns (**suukta-vaachaH**).

O Mother Earth! (**pR^ithvi-maatarmaa**) protect (**maa- hi(gm)-siir** - do not trouble or hurt) me.

Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

madhu manishhye madhu janishhye

madhu vakshyaami madhu vadishhyaami

madhumatiiM devebhyo vaacham-
====
udyaasa (gm) -shushruushheNyaam
==
manushhyebhyastaM maa devaa avantu

shobhaayai pitaro.anumadantu ||

OM shaantiH shaantiH shaantiH ||
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Vedic Chants - VI

chamakam

Let me think pleasantly (**madhu manishhye**) and create (**janishhye**) happiness by doing pious (**madhu** - honey or sweet) deeds. Let the results be enjoyable (**madhu vakshyaami**). May I speak (**vadishhyaami**) sweetly (**madhu**).

May my words and deeds (**vaacham-udyaasa(gm)**) please the gods (**devebhya**) like honey (**madhu mattiim**) and uplift the heart and the mind of those that hear (**sushruushheNyaam**).

May the Gods (**devaa**) protect me (**avantu**) and add inner beauty (**shobhayai**) to my speech. May my ancestors (**pitaro**) bless me.

Peace, Peace, Peace - Peace to the body, mind and soul.

