Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava mantra upāsanā

Bhairava Tantra

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Introduction

The word Bhairava is made up of "bha" + "ra" + "va". "Bha" means the sustenance of the universe and "ra" means dissolution of the universe and "va" means manifestation of the universe. These are the prime qualities of God (the Brahman) — creation, sustenance and dissolution. In the Bhairava form of Siva, His ultimate reality is coupled with the eternal awareness of Śakti. The Svarnākarsana Bhairava form is different from the forms of Bhairava that we have discussed in "Forms of Bhairava" and "Pervasive Bhairava". This Svarnākarsana Bhairava form is considered as the Supreme combination of Śiva and Śakti from where the Universe originates, sustains and dissolves. The upāsanā of Bhairava is considered indispensable for all upāsakas of Bhagavatī. Lord Bhairava is worshiped in various forms: as the consort of Mahāvidyā Goddesses (Akṣōbhya Bhairava, Krodhabhairava, etc.); as the consort of the Mātṛkā group of deities (Asitānga Bhairava, Ruru Bhairava, etc.); as the son of Bhagavatī, Vaṭuka, who is indispensable to saparyā, as is the Kumārī; various forms of Bhairavas who form the retinue of Bhagavatī invoked for protection such as Badabānala Bhairava, Ākāśabhairava, Unmatta Bhairava, etc; special forms invoked for specific purposes by śākta-s: Svarņākarṣaṇa Bhairava for protection and prosperity, Sammōhana Bhairava (for enchantment), Svacchanda Bhairava (as Mahāguru in śrīkula krama system), etc.

Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava is an *uttarāṃga* mantra to Mahāṣoḍaśī, Mahāprāsāda and also Vanadurgā. His association with Śrī Vidyā and Māhātmya are described in "Sundarī Tantra".

tripurāyāḥ pure ramye mūle kalpataroḥ śubhe sthitaḥ simhāsane tatra bhāti kaḥ puruṣaḥ paraḥ dāsībhūtā mahālakṣmīḥ purato yasya rājate tasya me devadevasya mahāmantraṁ vada prabho

Parvati questions thus: "Lord! Who is the resplendent Puruśa seated on a throne under the wish-fulfilling *kalpavṛkśa* in the beautiful city of Śrī Tripurasundarī (Śrīpuram)? Mahālakṣmī, the goddess of wealth, has stationed herself in his service [1]. Please describe the great mantra of this deity."

mahātripurasundaryāḥ pure bhogasamnvite mūle kalpatarormahāsane maṇivirājite svarṇākarṣaṇanāmā'sau bhāti śrībhairavaḥ svayam bhaktānāṃ tripurāmbāyāḥ dhanarāśipradāyakaḥ alakṣmīnāśanaḥ sākṣāt brahmaviṣṇuśivātmakaḥ

Śrī Dakṣinamurti replies thus: "In the city of Śrī Mahātripurasundarī filled with riches, seated on a gem-studded golden throne is the great Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava. He grants

enormous wealth to the devotees of Śrī Tripurāmbika. He destroys misfortune and his form constitutes of Brahmā-Viṣṇu-Rudra, the trinity."

brahmā nārāyaṇaḥ śambhurindrādyā lokapālakāḥ nityamenaṃ pūjayanti sampattyarthaṃ maheśvari sarvasampatprado nṛṇāṃ mahādāridryanāśakṛt

"The trinity, Indra and other deities worship him to obtain riches. He grants prosperity to men and destroys poverty".

purā pitāmaho devamenam sampūjya bhairavam samprāpāṣṭaguṇaiśwaryam jagatkartṛtvamuttamam purā nārāyaṇaḥ sākṣāt swarṇākarṣaṇabhairavam śrīśatvamapa sampūjya dhanādhyakṣaṃ mahābalam aṇimādiguṇaiśvaryaṃ purā prāptaṃ mayā śive

"Even the trinity worshiped him to obtain the powers of creation, destruction and sustenance".

Mahādeva then goes on to describe the mantra [2] of The Lord and various *prayoga*-s to obtain unimagined riches [3]. As "Sundarī Tantra" [4] is a Śrīkula—*kādi krama ṭantra*, Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, described as an *aṇga* here, would pertain to *kādi ṣoḍaśī*. "Sundarī Tantra" teaches *aṇga rāhitya* for *pancadaśī*. Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava is described as one of the primary *aṇga*-s of Śrīvidya in "Dattātreya Samhitā". He is a part ofthe "Raśmimala", among the "Chintāmaṇi Traya" [5]. By *sampradaya*, Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava is one of the sixteen *aṇga*-s of *sādi vidyā saptadaśākṣarī*. The *upāsanā* of Bhairava involves, along with mantra, *japa* and *āvaraṇa pūjā*, recitation of *mālā*, *sahasranāma* [6], *aṣṭottara*, *kavacha*, *stavarāja* and *hṛdaya*. The details of these however have to be received directly from one's Guru.

Notes¹:

- [1] Mahālakṣmī is described as serving the Lord in various *dhyāna śloka-*s of this Bhairava. The "Svarṇākarṣaṇa Aṣṭottara" includes several names such as: Mahālakṣmyarcitapadaḥ, Ramāpūjitapādābjaḥ, Vaikuṇṭhaśrīsamāśritaḥ, etc. Mahālakṣmī and Madhumati are the two *aṇgavidya-*s of Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava. "Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava Tantra" (which most possibly is a part of the bigger *śaiva āgama*, "Mahapanchākṣarī Tantra", also housing other smaller tantras such as "Chidambara Tantra") describes a story where Mahālakṣmī lost her powers due to a curse by Śrī Durvasa Bhattaraka and worshipped Bhairava at Avimukta kṣetra to regain her powers.
- [2] The particular form of mantra described in "Sundarī Tantra" seems to be the version used popularly by *śrīvidyā upasaka-*s. For some reason, this mantra is published in

¹Nirvāṇa Sundarī (http://www.kamakotimandali.com/blog/)

hundreds of corrupted forms in various manuals and these corruptions can hardly be dismissed as <code>pāṭhāntara-s</code>. There are two other forms of mantra, one from an unknown source quoted in "Āmnāya Kalpalatā" (copied as is in later works such as "Amnaya Mantra Sangraha", "Saparya Paddhati", "Lalitarchana Chandrika", etc.) and the other from "Skanda Yāmala" in the "Vanadurgā Mahāvidyā Prakaraṇa". Though the mantra described in the context of <code>mahāvidyā</code> is different, most <code>upāsaka-s</code> seem to use the first and the popular version during recitation of <code>panchaṣatī/saptaṣatī</code>. The only <code>sampradāya</code> which seems to use "Skandayāmala" as <code>pramāṇa</code> is that of Kalyanananda Bharati of Andhra Desha. They use a mixture of "Vanadurgopaniṣad" and "Kalpa Kaustubha" (of Rudrayamala) for the <code>mūla pāṭha</code> of <code>mahāvidyā panchaśati</code> but utilize the <code>aṇga-vidyā krama</code> of "Skanda Yamala". Of course, everything said by Kalyanananda Bharati has to be consumed with a pinch of salt and sometimes pepper too!

- [3] The worship of Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava is chiefly for prosperity and sudden financial gains but that is not the sole benefit of this <code>upāsanā</code>. He is also an Apaduddharaṇa mūrti who destroys hindrances and protects the <code>upāsaka</code>. Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, famed to be stationed in Chidambaram in the service of Śrī Chitasabhapati and Śrī Śivakamasundari, is described as <code>bhairavo viṣṇurūpakaḥ</code> in "Chidambara Tantra". He is thus identified as non-different from Śrīmannarayana. He is further described as a combination of Samkarṣaṇa and Bhairava <code>svarupa-s</code> of Narayana and Mahādeva respectively. Due to <code>sattva prādhānya</code>, his mantra is considered ok to be given to women (substituting the <code>praṇava</code> with <code>ramā bīja</code>) initiated into Śrīvidya as women are prohibited from obtaining the mantra of Vaṭuka Bhairava ("Hamsamāheshvara", "Rudrayāmala", etc.). However, <code>upāsana</code> of Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava mantra has to be undertaken only under the direct guidance of Sadguru as the mantra activates <code>kuhū nāḍi</code> and malfunctioning of this <code>nādī</code> can cause irreparable damage to a person. <code>Kuhū</code> functions towards ejaculation and its abuse can push the consciousness into netherworlds.
- [4] "Sundarī Tantra" is described in the list of tantras speltout in "Vārāhī Tantra". Another list, in yet another tantra, speaks of a "Tripurasundarī Tantra". Some hold these two tantras to be the same. But Śrī Gopinath Kaviraj-ji writes somewhere that the two are independent tantras. "Sundarī Tantra" is available almost completely.
- [5] The "Chintāmaṇi Traya" includes: Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, Ardhanārīśvara Chintāmaṇi and Chintāmaṇi Ganapati.
- [6] I have not personally seen the "Sahasranāma of Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava" anywhere but have heard about the existence of one such *sahasranāma* in the possession of Ganapati Sacchidananda Swami of Mysore. Also, in the "Uttara Pīṭhikā" of the "Svarṇākarṣaṇa Hṛdaya", there is a clear indication of the existence of such a *sahasranāma*. Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, Bhāgavan Śrī Śuddha Dakśinamurti, Śrī Dattatreya, Bhāgavan Śrī Nṛsiṃha and Bhāgavan Śrī Ucchiśta Maha Ganapati are said to be the five *trimūrtyātmaka mūrti*-s worshipped in the *ūrdhāmnaya* of Kādi Krama Tantra. Even outside the realms of the Śrīvidya Krama Tantra, they are described to be *trimūrtyātmaka*.

sarvākāracidātmikām sakaruṇām siṃhāsanām bhairavīm śikṣānugraharakṣaṇaikahṛdayāmāgneyamūrtim śivām viśvatrāṇaparāyaṇāṃghrikamalām kṣudrāśayakṣobhiṇīm devīṃ bhairava-vāmapakṣanilayāṃ durgām bhaje caṇḍikām



1 Şaţpañcāśatyakṣara mahāmantraḥ

1.1 Viniyogah

om asyaśrī svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava mantrasya śrī brahmā ṛṣiḥ paṅkti chandaḥ harihara brahmātmaka svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairavo devatā hrīm bījaṃ saḥ śaktiḥ om kīlakaṃ mama dāridryanāśārthe svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava prasāda siddhyarthaṃ svarṇa rāśi prāptyarthe svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava mantra jape viniyogaḥ

The purpose of this *sadhana* is to invoke Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava and perform His mantra *japa* to obtain complete grace in all aspects, specifically for removal of all types of poverty and acquisition of immense wealth, as well as to gain peace of mind and contentment in life. The sage (*ṛṣiḥ*) is the divine seer Brahmā, the meter (*chandas*) for the mantra is *paṅkti* and the deity is the intelligence giver Śrī Harihara Brahmātmaka Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava; the seed (*bījaṃ*) is *hrīm*, the power or *śakti* is *saḥ*. The key (*kīlakaṃ*) to unlock the mantra is om.

1.2 Rsyādi nyāsa

brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ śirasi

Open the right palm and touch the top of the forehead with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

pankti chandase namah mukhe

Now touch the lips of the mouth with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

brahmātmaka svarņākarṣaṇa bhairava devatāyai namaḥ hṛdi

Touch the heart area with the right palm.

hrīm bījāya namaḥ guhye

Touch the genitalia area with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

sah śaktaye namah pādayoh

Touch the feet area with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

om kīlakāya namaḥ nābhau

Touch the navel area with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

mama dāridryanāśārthe svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava prasāda svarṇa rāśi prāptyarthe svarṇā-karṣaṇa bhairava mantra jape viniyogāya namaḥ sarvāṅge

Run both the palms all over the body.

iti ṛṣyādi nyāsaḥ

1.3 Karanyāsaḥ

aim hrīm śrīm āparduddhāraṇāya aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ Use both the index fingers and run them on both the thumbs.

hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmilabaddhāya tarjanībhyām namaḥ Use both the thumbs and run them on both the index fingers.

om lokeśvarāya madhyamābhyām namaḥ Use both the thumbs on the middle fingers.

om svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairavāya anāmikābhyāṃ namaḥ. Use both the thumbs on the ring fingers.

mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya kaniṣṭhikābhyāṃ namaḥ Use both the thumbs on the little fingers.

mahā bhairavāya namaḥ karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ Open both the palms; run the opened palms of the right hand on the front and back sides of the left palm and repeat the same for the other palm.

iti kara nyāsaḥ

1.4 Şadanganyasah

aim hrīm śrīm āparduddhāraṇāya hṛdayāya namaḥ

Open index, middle and ring fingers of the right hand and place them on the heart area.

hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmilabaddhāya śirase svāhā

Open middle and ring fingers of the right hand and touch the top of the forehead.

om lokeśvaraya śikhayai vasat

Open the right thumb and touch the back of the head. This is the point where the tuft of hair is kept.

om svarnākarşana bhairavāya kavacāya hum

Cross both the hands and run the fully opened palms from shoulders to finger tips.

mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya netratrayāya vauṣaṭ

Touch the eyes with the right index and ring fingers, with the middle finger touching the ājña cakra.

mahā bhairavāya namaḥ astrāya phaţ

Open up the left palm and strike it three times with index and middle fingers of the right hand.

bhūr-bhuva-ssuvarom-iti digbandhaḥ May all the directions be sealed and may no thoughts or disturbances impact our ability to recite the hymn.

iti şadanga nyāsah

1.5 Dhyānam

pītavarṇaṃ catur-bāhuṃ trinetraṃ pīta-vāsasam akṣyaṃ svarṇa-māṇikyaṃ taḍitapūrita pātrakam abhilaṣitaṃ mahā-śūlaṃ cāmaraṃ tomarodvaham svarṇābharaṇa-sampannaṃ muktāhāropaśobhitam (1)

madonmattaṃ sukhāsīnaṃ bhaktānām ca vara pradam satataṃ cintaye devaṃ bhairavaṃ sarva-siddhidam pārijāta drumakāntārasthite maṇimaṇḍape siṃhāsanagataṃ dhyāyed bhairavaṃ svarṇadāyakam (2)

gāngeyapātram damarum triśūlam varam karaih samdadhatam trinetram devyāyutam taptasvarnavarna svarnākṛtim bhairavamāśrayāmi (3)

Salutations to Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, who is yellowish gold in complexion with four arms, three-eyed and adorned in golden garments. His eyes appear as golden rubies and He is emanating brilliance resembling a lightning like bolt, that engulfs the entire Creation. He readily grants all our cherished wishes and desires. He is holding a *trident* (to dispel all the triads), bearing a whisk and a lance (to penetrate the *cakra*-s) and is also adorned with all types of precious and rare gems, gold and beautiful strings of pearls. He is comfortably seated and intoxicated with bliss and is ready to fulfill all our wishes. He is constantly reflecting upon and immersed in the welfare of the Creation and is endowed with unlimited *siddhi*-s. He is in the midst of a forest full of the fragrant and mystical trees called *pārijāta* and in a hall of precious gems and crytals of unmatched beauty and glitter. He is to be meditated as seated upon a royal lion faced throne and ready to bestow any wish of His sincere devotees.

He is holding a bowl of water from the river Ganges, a musical drum, a trident and displaying the wish granting *varamudra*. He is three-eyed and is worshipped by tens of thousands of *deva*-s and other celestials. He is radiant with a brilliant golden complexion and is the grantor of all types of unimaginable prosperity. Salutations to Bhairava, the most merciful and generous grantor of all types of abundance and prosperity!

1.6 Pañcapūjā

lam pṛthivyātmikāyai gandham samarpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the little fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ham ākāśātmikāyai puspaih pūjayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the thumbs of both hands with the upper tip/nails of the index fingers, with the back of the hand facing us.

yam vāyvātmikāyai dhūpamāghrāpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the index fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ram agnyātmikāyai dīpam darśayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the middle fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

vam amṛtātmikāyai amṛtam mahānaivedyam nivedayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the ring fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

sam sarvātmikāyai sarvopacāra pūjām samarpayāmi

Hold the fingers of each palm in a folded manner with the tips of each fingers of both hands touching each other and the thumbs facing the heart, in a "namaste" position.

1.7 Japamālā mantram

Recite the below mantra once, to pray to the *japa māla* and invoke the blessings for a fruitful *japa*:

om mām māle mahāmāye sarvamantra svarūpiņi caturvarga stvayinyasta stasmānye siddhidā bhava

1.8 Guru mantrah

Recite the following guru mantra once, to seek the blessings of all gurus and the Guru:

om hrīm siddhaguro prasīda hrīm om

1.9 Şatpañcāśatyakşara mantrah

atha śrī svarņākarṣaṇa bhairava ṣaṭpañcāśatyakṣara mantraḥ

Following is the 56-lettered Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava mantra, that should be recited at least 108 times (1 $m\bar{a}l\bar{a}$):

om aim hrīm śrīm āpaduddhāraṇāya hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmala-baddhāya lokeśvarāya svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairavāya mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya mahābhairavāya namaḥ śrīm hrīm aim

The $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $o\check{m}$ represents Śabda Brahman and is also called the praṇava mantra or the primordial sound, the manifested super- consciousness in the form of sound and all syllables. All other sounds and waves are said to have emanated from this mantra. The $v\bar{a}gbh\bar{a}va\,b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $ai\check{m}$, represents all knowledge, spiritual and material. The $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}\,b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $hr\bar{\imath}\check{m}$ represents manifestation of everything as the power of Creation, sustenance as the power of Preservation and transformation as the power of Destruction. It is also related to concentration, focus, energy, drive, self-esteem, high power and is the main $\acute{s}akti$ mantra. The Lakṣmī $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $\acute{s}r\bar{\imath}\check{m}$, represents abundance, wealth, well-being and prosperity, as well as fructification of all efforts.

The word 'āpaduddhāraṇāya' signifies — the one who rescues us from all dangers and miserable conditions.

The *bīja* mantra *hrām* pulls us away from karmic bonds and infuses spirituality into our mind and intellect. The *hrīm bīja* mantra represents the power of Destruction and applied to the individual self, it is the destruction of our inner karmic bonds represented by *antaḥkaraṇa* (mind, ego and the intellect) that bind the consciousness to the physical, astral and causal bodies. The form shifting *kinnara bīja* mantra *hrūm* brings complete transformation in our spiritual outlook and leads us towards self-realization. In this context Lord Bhairava is aided by the Divine Mother Bhairavi, who wields the power of Destruction and transformation and is the Destroyer of the Creation.

The word 'ajāmala-baddhāya' is a combination of 'aja' meaning — leader, 'amala' meaning — blemish-less and 'baddhāya' meaning — bound. He is a blemish-less leader and Lord and bound to the devotion of His devotees. The word 'lokeśvarāya' signifies — the Lord who rules over all the worlds (and the Creation Itself). The word 'svarṇākarṣaṇa' represents attraction of all types of abundance including gold, precious gems, money, etc. The word 'bhairavāya' represents the Lord Bhairava, who is a terrific form of Lord Śiva and is seen as a Protector. He is worshipped as a generous boon giver by His devotees.

The word 'mama' means myself/us. The word 'dāridrya' means all types of poverty, miseries and unfortunate conditions. The word 'vidveṣanāya' signifies — the One who hates

dāridrya. The word 'mahābhairavāya' represent Lord Śiva Himself as the chief Mahābhairava. The namaḥ bīja mantra is for offering salutations to the deity and indicating our complete surrender and request to the deity to take charge of our destiny.

The $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantras $\acute{sr}i\mathring{m}$, $hr\bar{\imath}\mathring{m}$ and $ai\mathring{m}$ are for encasing the mantra for added protection and easier fruition. This process of reversing the mantras at the end occurring earlier in the mantra, is called $samput\bar{\imath}karana$.

"Salutations to the Supreme Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the One who never fails to come to the rescue of His devotees, relieve us of all karmas, infuse uninhibited spirituality, material abundance and contentment in us and remove all types of misery from our lives once and for all."

1.10 Gāyatrī mantraḥ

Recite the Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava $g\bar{a}yatr\bar{\imath}$ mantra 10 times or $\frac{1}{10}$ of main mantra japa:

om svarņabhairavāya vidmahe svarņākarṣaṇāya dhīmahi tanno bhairavaḥ pracodayāt

"May the golden complexioned Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the grantor of all types of uninhibited abundance, kindle our intellect and illumine it!"

1.11 Şadanganyasah

aim hrīm śrīm aparduddhāraņāya hrdayāya namah

Open index, middle and ring fingers of the right hand and place them on the heart area.

hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmilabaddhāya śirase svāhā

Open middle and ring fingers of the right hand and touch the top of the forehead.

om lokeśvarāya śikhāyai vaşaţ

Open the right thumb and touch the back of the head. This is the point where the tuft of hair is kept.

om svarnākarsana bhairavāya kavacāya hum

Cross both the hands and run the fully opened palms from shoulders to finger tips.

mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya netratrayāya vauṣaṭ

Touch the eyes with the right index and ring fingers, with the middle finger touching the ājña cakra.

mahā bhairavāya namaḥ astrāya phaţ

Open up the left palm and strike it three times with index and middle fingers of the right hand.

bhūr-bhuva-ssuvarom-iti digbandhah

May all the directions be sealed and may no thoughts or disturbances impact our ability to recite the hymn.

iti şadanga nyāsah

1.12 Dhyānam

pītavarṇaṃ catur-bāhuṃ trinetraṃ pīta-vāsasam akṣyaṃ svarṇa-māṇikyaṃ taḍitapūrita pātrakam abhilaṣitaṃ mahā-śūlaṃ cāmaraṃ tomarodvaham svarṇābharaṇa-sampannaṃ muktāhāropaśobhitam (1)

madonmattam sukhāsīnam bhaktānām ca vara pradam satatam cintaye devam bhairavam sarva-siddhidam pārijāta drumakāntārasthite maṇimaṇḍape siṃhāsanagataṃ dhyāyed bhairavaṃ svarṇadāyakam (2)

gāngeyapātram damarum triśūlam varam karaiḥ samdadhatam trinetram devyāyutam taptasvarṇavarṇa svarṇākṛtim bhairavamāśrayāmi (3)

1.13 Pañcapūjā

lam pṛthivyātmikāyai gandham samarpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the little fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ham ākāśātmikāyai puspaiḥ pūjayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the thumbs of both hands with the upper tip/nails of the index fingers, with the back of the hand facing us.

yam vāyvātmikāyai dhūpamāghrāpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the index fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ram agnyātmikāyai dīpam darśayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the middle fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

vam amṛtātmikāyai amṛtam mahānaivedyam nivedayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the ring fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

sam sarvātmikāyai sarvopacāra pūjām samarpayāmi

Hold the fingers of each palm in a folded manner with the tips of each fingers of both hands touching each other and the thumbs facing the heart, in a "namaste" position.

1.14 Samarpanam

Take water in *uttaraṇi* (spoon) and by reciting the following *śloka*, offer the water to the earth:

guhyātiguhyagoptrā tvam gṛhāṇāsmat-kṛtam japam siddhirbhavatu me deva tvatprasādānmayi sthirā

1.15 Japānamtaram mālāmantram

Recite the below *śloka* and mantra, followed by placing the *māla* upon the top of the head and then place it back in the *māla* bag and conceal it. It should **not** be worn!

om tvam māle sarvadevānām prītidā subhadā bhava subham kuruṣya me bhadre yaso vīryam ca dehime

om hrīm siddhyai namah

1.16 Puraścarana

Japa: 100,000, homa: 10,000, tarpaṇa: 1,000, mārjana 100, bhojana 10.

2 Aşţaţpañcāśatyakşara mahāmantraḥ

2.1 Viniyogah

om asyaśrī svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava mantrasya śrī brahmā ṛṣiḥ anuṣṭup chandaḥ śrī svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava devatā hrīm bījaṃ klīm śaktiḥ saḥ kīlakaṃ mama sarva-kāma-siddhayarthe svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava mantra jape viniyogaḥ

This mantra japa is to invoke Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava and perform His mantra japa to obtain His complete grace in all aspects, specifically for removal of all types of poverty and acquisition of immense wealth, as well as to gain peace of mind and contentment in life. With His blessings, one gains complete happiness, abundance in wealth, etc. The sage (rsih) is the divine seer Brahmā, the meter (chandas) for the mantra is anustup and the deity is the ultimate and unlimited wealth and prosperity giver Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the seed $(b\bar{\imath}jam)$ is $hr\bar{\imath}m$, the power or $\acute{s}akti$ is $kl\bar{\imath}m$. The key $(k\bar{\imath}lakam)$ to unlock the mantra is sah.

2.2 Rsyādi nyāsa

brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ śirasi

Open the right palm and touch the top of the forehead with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

anușțup chandase namah mukhe

Now touch the lips of the mouth with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

śrī svarnākarşana bhairava devatāyai namah hṛdi

Touch the heart with the right palm.

hrīm bījāya namah guhye

Touch the genitalia with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

klīm śaktaye namah pādayoh

Touch the feet with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

saḥ kīlakāya namaḥ nābhau

Touch the navel area with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

mama sarva-kāma-siddhayarthe svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava mantra jape viniyogāya namaḥ sarvāṅge

Run both the palms all over the body.

iti ṛṣyādi nyāsaḥ

2.3 Karanyāsah

hrām angusthābhyām namah

Use both the index fingers and run them on both the thumbs.

hrīm tarjanībhyām namaḥ

Use both the thumbs and run them on both the index fingers.

hrūm madhyamābhyām namah

Use both the thumbs on the middle fingers.

hraim anāmikābhyām namah

Use both the thumbs on the ring fingers.

hraum kanişthikābhyām namah

Use both the thumbs on the little fingers.

hrah karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyām namah

Open both the palms; run the opened palms of the right hand on the front and back sides of the left palm and repeat the same for the other palm.

iti kara nyāsaḥ

2.4 Şadanganyasah

hrām hṛdayāya namaḥ

Open index, middle and ring fingers of the right hand and place them on the heart.

hrīm śirase svāhā

Open middle and ring fingers of the right hand and touch the top of the forehead.

hrūm śikhāyai vasat

Open the right thumb and touch the back of the head. This is the point where the tuft of hair is kept.

hraim kavacāya hum

Cross both the hands and run the fully opened palms from shoulders to finger tips.

hraum netratrayāya vausaţ

Touch the eyes with the right index and ring fingers, with the middle finger touching the *ājña cakra*.

hraḥ astrāya phaṭ

Open up the left palm and strike it three times with index and middle fingers of the right hand.

bhūr-bhuva-ssuvarom-iti digbandhah

May all the directions be sealed and may no thoughts or disturbances impact our ability to recite the hymn.

2.5 Dhyānam

pītavarṇaṃ catur-bāhuṃ trinetraṃ pīta-vāsasam akṣyaṃ svarṇa-māṇikyaṃ taḍitapūrita pātrakam abhilaṣitaṃ mahā-śūlaṃ cāmaraṃ tomarodvaham svarṇābharaṇa-sampannam muktāhāropaśobhitam (1)

madonmattam sukhāsīnam bhaktānām ca vara pradam satatam cintaye ddevam bhairavam sarva-siddhidam pārijāta drumakāntārasthite maṇimaṇḍape siṃhāsanagatam dhyāyed bhairavam svarṇadāyakam (2)

gāngeyapātram damarum triśūlam varam karaih samdadhatam trinetram devyāyutam taptasvarnavarna svarnākṛtim bhairavamāśrayāmi (3)

Salutations to Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, who is yellowish gold in complexion with four arms, three-eyed and adorned in golden garments. His eyes appear as golden rubies and He is emanating brilliance resembling a lightning like bolt, that engulfs the entire Creation. He readily grants all our cherished wishes and desires. He is holding a trident, bearing a whisk and a lance and is also adorned with all types of precious and rare gems, gold and beautiful strings of pearls. He is comfortably seated and intoxicated with bliss and is ready to fulfill all our wishes. He is constantly reflecting upon and immersed in the welfare of the Creation and is endowed with unlimited *siddhi-s*. He is in the midst of a forest full of the fragrant and mystical trees called *pārijāta* and in a hall of precious gems and crystals of unmatched beauty and glitter. He is to be meditated as seated upon a royal lion faced throne and ready to bestow any wish of His sincere devotees.

He is holding a golden bowl full of abundance, a musical drum, a trident and displaying the wish granting *vara mudra*. He is three-eyed and is worshipped by tens of thousands of *deva*-s and other celestials and is Himself radiating with the glow equivalent to tens of thousands of celestials. He is radiant with a brilliant golden complexion and is the grantor of all types of unimaginable prosperity. Salutations to Bhairava, the most merciful and generous grantor of all types of abundance and prosperity!

2.6 Pañcapūjā

lam pṛthivyātmikāyai gandham samarpayāmi Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the little fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us. ham ākāśātmikāyai puspaih pūjayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the thumbs of both hands with the upper tip/nails of the index fingers, with the back of the hand facing us.

yam vāyvātmikāyai dhūpamāghrāpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the index fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ram agnyātmikāyai dīpam darśayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the middle fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

vam amṛtātmikāyai amṛtam mahānaivedyam nivedayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the ring fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

sam sarvātmikāyai sarvopacāra pūjām samarpayāmi

Hold the fingers of each palm in a folded manner with the tips of each fingers of both hands touching each other and the thumbs facing the heart in a "namaste" position.

2.7 Japamālā mantram

Recite the below mantra once to pray to the *japa māla* and invoke the blessings for a fruitful *japa*:

om mām māle mahāmāye sarvamantra svarūpiņi caturvarga stvayinyasta stasmānye siddhidā bhava

2.8 Guru mantrah

Recite the following *guru* mantra once, to seek the blessings of all *guru*-s and the Guru.

om hrīm siddhaguro prasīda hrīm om

2.9 Astatpañcāśatyakṣara mantraḥ

atha śrī svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava aṣṭaṭpañcāśatyakṣara mantraḥ

Following is the 58-lettered Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava mantra, that should be recited at least 108 times (1 $m\bar{a}l\bar{a}$).

om aim hrīm śrīm aim śrīm āpaduddhāraṇāya hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmala-baddhāya lokeśvarāya svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairavāya mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya mahābhairavāya namaḥ śrīm hrīm aim

2.10 Gāyatrī mantra

Recite 10 times or 1/10 of main mantra *japa*:

om svarnabhairavāya vidmahe svarnākarṣaṇāya dhīmahi tanno bhairavaḥ pracodayāt

"May the golden complexioned Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the grantor of all types of uninhibited abundance, kindle our intellect and illumine it!"

2.11 Şadanganyasah

hrām hrdayāya namah

Open index, middle and ring fingers of the right hand and place them on the heart.

hrīm śirase svāhā

Open middle and ring fingers of the right hand and touch the top of the forehead.

hrūm śikhāyai vaşaţ

Open the right thumb and touch the back of the head. This is the point where the tuft of hair is kept.

hraim kavacāya hum

Cross both the hands and run the fully opened palms from shoulders to finger tips.

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Touch the eyes with the right index and ring fingers, with the middle finger touching the ājña cakra.

hraḥ astrāya phaṭ

Open up the left palm and strike it three times with index and middle fingers of the right hand.

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2.12 Dhyānam

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2.13 Pañcapūjā

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yam vāyvātmikāyai dhūpamāghrāpayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the index fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

ram agnyātmikāyai dīpam darśayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the middle fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

vam amrtātmikāyai amrtam mahānaivedyam nivedayāmi

Hold the lower tip of the bottom phalange of the ring fingers of both hands with the upper tip of the thumbs, with the back of the hand facing us.

sam sarvātmikāyai sarvopacāra pūjām samarpayāmi

Hold the fingers of each palm in a folded manner with the tips of each fingers of both hands touching each other and the thumbs facing the heart in a "namaste" position.

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2.15 Japānamtaram mālāmantram

Recite the below *śloka* and mantra, followed by placing the *māla* upon the top of the head and then place it back in the *māla* bag and conceal it. It should **not** be worn!

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om hrīm siddhyai namah

2.16 Puraścaraņa

Japa: 100,000, homa: 10,000, tarpaṇa: 1,000, mārjana 100, bhojana 10.

3 Svarņākarşaņa Bhairava stotram

śrī mārkaṇḍeya uvāca bhagavan pramathādhīśa śiva-tulya-parākrama pūrvam-ukta-stvayā mantram bhairavasya mahātmanah (1)

The divine seer Śrī Mārkaṇḍeya spoke thus: Salutations to the great lord Bhairava, who is one and the same as Lord Śiva (Rudra), the Destroyer (of ignorance), equal in all respects in His valor, courage, strength and power. May we recite His mantras and meditate upon Lord Bhairava, who is none other than the True Reality! May He confer all material and spiritual benefits upon us and liberate us.

idānīṃ śrotum-icchāmi tasya stotram-anuttamaṃ tat kenoktaṃ purā stotraṁ paṭhanāt-tasya kiṃ phalam (2)

What is that *stotra* that is claimed to be all powerful, fruitful for fulfilling all wishes? What is it that is all accomplishing for those, who recite it with full devotion and fervor to Lord Bhairava?

tat sarvam śrotum-icchāmi, brūhi me nandikeśvara (3)

Oh faithful and kind Lord Nandikeśvara², please narrate this *stotram* in full and enlighten me.

śrī nandikeśvara uvāca idaṃ brahman mahā-bhāga lokānām-upakāraka stotram vatuka-nāthasya durlabham bhuvana-traye (4)

Lord Śrī Nandikeśvara spoke thus: This *stotram* is of Brahman Himself, manifested as Lord Vaṭuka-nātha³, extremely rare and difficult to find in all the three realms and dimensions. It ushers in immense auspiciousness, opens up the doors to acquisition of immense fortune and also confers immeasurable benefits to the entire world and its populace.

Lord Vaṭuka Bhairava as Brahman manifests Himself as Viriñci Vaṭuka Bhairava, who becomes the cause and mentor of the Creator — Lord Brahma, Mukunda Vaṭuka Bhairava, who becomes the cause and mentor of the Preserver — Lord Viṣṇu and lastly, Rudra Vaṭuka Bhairava, who becomes the cause and mentor of the Destroyer — Lord Rudra. In another classification, Lord Vaṭuka Bhairava is equated with Brahma, Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava with Lord Viṣṇu and Lord Kāla Bhairava with Lord Rudra.

²Lord Nandi, the bull faced attendant of Lord Śiva

³Vaṭuka Bhairava in the form of a boy

sarva-pāpa-praśamanam sarva-sampatti-dāyakam dāridrya-śamanam puṃsām-āpadā-bhaya-hārakam (5)

This *stotram* removes all sins and bad karmas, bestows all types of wealth and prosperity. Destroys all types of poverty, ignorance and allays all types of fears and dangers, that one may perceive from any source. (All types of enemies, black-magic and other types of negative influences will be totally eradicated!).

aṣṭaiśvarya-pradaṃ nṛṇāṃ parājaya-vināśanam mahā-kānti-pradaṃ caiva soma-saundarya-dāyakam (6)

One will receive all the benefits, material and spiritual, including wealth, knowledge, health, children, food, courage and means to undertake and accomplish any task etc. There is absolutely nothing, that cannot be achieved by the grace of Bhairava! There shall never be any fear of losing in any battle, competition or in achieving any task of importance to us. He is brilliant in appearance and emits light and grace across the entire Creation. Likewise, He is also as beautiful and handsome, as the moon to look at.

mahā-kīrti-pradam stotram bhairavasya mahātmanah na vaktavyam nirācāre hi putrāya ca sarvathā (7)

One will obtain great recognition, fame and popularity by the grace of the great Lord Bhairava. There is nothing more to speak or narrate, or even deliberate upon, of any approved usages and rituals. This *stotram* by Itself, has the power to accomplish anything! One shall be blessed with illustrious children and all types of comforts and pleasures, that one may seek!

śucaye guru-bhaktāya śucaye'pi tapasvine mahā-bhairava-bhaktāya sevite nirdhanāya ca (8)

One who has a clean heart and immense faith and devotion towards his guru, one who is a very sincere and devoted meditation practitioner, one who has absolute faith and unstinted devotion to Lord Bhairava, one who is willing to serve without any expectations of garnering wealth.

nija-bhaktāya vaktavyam-anyathā śāpam-āpnuyāt stotram-etat bhairavasya brahma-viṣṇu-śivātmanaḥ (9)

One who is endowed with true devotion and spoken of highly by others and everyone, may be blessed by the benefits that can be accrued by the recitation of this *stotram*. All other rogue elements should not be bestowed with this *stotram*, in order to prevent any accumulation of bad karma and curses. May Lord Bhairava, who is none other than Brahman manifested as the Creator Brahma, Preserver Viṣṇu and the Destroyer Śiva (Rudra), bless us immensely and help fulfill all our cherished wishes and desires.

śṛṇuṣva brūhito brahman sarva-kāma-pradāyakam (10)

Hear now very attentively, Oh pious and learned one, the stotram of Brahman Himself, manifested as Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the grantor of all wishes and desires, the fulfiller of all tasks!

3.1 Viniyogah

om asya śrī-svarṇākarṣaṇa-bhairava-stotrasya brahmā ṛṣiḥ anuṣṭup chandaḥ śrī-svarṇākarṣaṇa-bhairava-devatā hrīm bījaṃ klīm śakti saḥ kīlakaṃ mama-sarva-kāma-siddhayarthe pāṭhe viniyogaḥ (11)

This mantra japa is to invoke Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava and perform His stotra japa to obtain His complete grace in all aspects, specifically for all types of wish fulfillment and accomplishment of all tasks. The sage (rṣih) is the divine seer and Creator Brahma, the meter (chandas) for the mantra is Anuṣṭup and the deity is the ultimate and unlimited wealth giver — Śrī Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the seed $(b\bar{\imath}jam)$ is $hr\bar{\imath}m$, the power or $\acute{s}akti$ is $kl\bar{\imath}m$. The key $(k\bar{\imath}lakam)$ to unlock the mantra is sah.

3.2 Rsyādi nyāsa

brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ śirasi

Open the right palm and touch the top of the forehead with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

anuştup chandase namah mukhe

Now touch the lips of the mouth with the ring and thumb fingers joined at the top.

śrī svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairava devatāyai namaḥ hṛdi

Touch the heart area with the right palm.

hrīm bījāya namaḥ guhye

Touch the genitalia area with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

klīm śaktaye namah pādayoh

Touch the feet with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

sah kīlakāya namah nābhau

Touch the navel with the right ring finger and thumb joined together.

mama-sarva-kāma-siddhayarthe pāṭhe viniyogāya namaḥ sarvāṅge

Run both the palms all over the body.

iti ṛṣyādi nyāsaḥ

3.3 Karanyāsah

hrām angusthābhyām namah

Use both the index fingers and run them on both the thumbs.

hrīm tarjanībhyām namah

Use both the thumbs and run them on both the index fingers.

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Use both the thumbs on the middle fingers.

hraim anāmikābhyām namah

Use both the thumbs on the ring fingers.

hraum kanişthikābhyām namah

Use both the thumbs on the little fingers.

hrah karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyām namaḥ

Open both the palms; run the opened palms of the right hand on the front and back sides of the left palm and repeat the same for the other palm.

iti kara nyāsaḥ

3.4 Şadanganyasah

hrām hṛdayāya namaḥ

Open index, middle and ring fingers of the right hand and place them on the heart cakra.

hrīm śirase svāhā

Open middle and ring fingers of the right hand and touch the top of the forehead.

hrūm śikhāyai vaşaţ

Open the right thumb and touch the back of the head. This is the point where the tuft of hair is kept.

hraim kavacāya hum

Cross both the hands and run the fully opened palms from shoulders to finger tips.

hraum netratrayāya vaușaț

Touch the eyes with the right index and ring fingers, with the middle finger touching the ājña cakra.

hraḥ astrāya phaṭ

Open up the left palm and strike it three times with index and middle fingers of the right hand.

bhūr-bhuva-ssuvarom-iti digbandhaḥ

May all the directions be sealed and may no thoughts or disturbances impact our ability to recite the hymn.

iti şadanga nyāsah

3.5 Dhyānaḥ

mandāra-druma-mūla-bhāji vijite ratnāsane saṃsthite divyaṃ cāruṇa-cañcukādhara-rucā devyā kṛtālinganaḥ (12)

Salutations to the Divine Lord, who resides in the midst of a *mandāra* forest, unrivalled, powerful and radiant. Seated on a bejeweled throne, shining forth with red radiant beams of light, looking extremely handsome with a chiseled face and is lovingly hugged by His consort Bhairavi.

bhaktebhyaḥ kara-ratna-pātra-bharitam svarṇa dadhāno bhṛśam svarṇākarṣaṇa-bhairavo bhavatu me svargāpavarga-pradaḥ (13)

Behold the One who has many devotees! The Divine Father is holding a vessel full of rare gems and treasures, gold and all types of riches. A vessel that can never be emptied and He showers His grace again and again upon His devotees and loads them with extreme prosperity and finally granting them liberation. Let us meditate upon the most magnanimous Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava!

pārijāta druma kāntāre sthite māṇikya-maṇḍape siṃhāsana gataṃ vande bhairavaṃ svarṇa-dāyakaṃ (14)

He is in the midst of a forest full of the fragrant and mystical trees called *pārijāta* and in a hall of precious gems and crystals of unmatched beauty and glitter. He is to be meditated as, seated upon a royal lion faced throne and ready to bestow all types of riches as well as any wish of His sincere devotees.

gāngeya pātram damarūm triśūlam varam karaḥ sandadhatam trinetram devyāyutam tapta-svarṇa-varṇa svarṇākarṣaṇa-bhairavam-āśrayāmi (15)

He is holding a golden vessel (*kalaśa*) full of precious stones, gold and all types of wealth⁴, a musical drum⁵, a trident and displaying the wish granting *vara mudra*. He is three-eyed

⁴Alternately, *gāngeya pātraṃ* can also mean a vessel holding the water from the sacred Ganges river, but it is not applicable in this context

⁵Emanates all mystical vibrations, syllable *mātṛka*-s

and is worshipped by tens of thousands of *devas* and other celestials. He is radiant with a brilliant golden complexion and is the grantor of all types of unimaginable prosperity. Salutations to Bhairava, the most merciful and generous grantor of all types of abundance and prosperity!

3.6 Mantrah

om aim hrīm śrīm aim śrīm āpaduddhāraṇāya hrām hrīm hrūm ajāmala-baddhāya lokeśvarāya svarṇākarṣaṇa bhairavāya mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya mahābhairavāya namaḥ śrīm hrīm aim (16)

The $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $o\check{m}$ represents Śabda Brahman and is also called the praṇava mantra or the primordial sound, the manifested super-consciousness in the form of sound and all syllables. All other sounds and waves are said to have emanated from this mantra. The $v\bar{a}gbh\bar{a}va$ $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $ai\check{m}$ represents all knowledge, spiritual and material. The $m\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $hr\bar{\imath}\check{m}$ represents manifestation of everything as the power of Creation, sustenance as the power of Preservation and transformation as the power of Destruction. It is also related to concentration, focus, energy, drive, self-esteem, high power and is the main $\acute{s}akti$ mantra. The Lakṣmī $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $\acute{s}r\bar{\imath}\check{m}$ represents abundance, wealth, well-being and prosperity, as well as fructification of all efforts.

The second $v\bar{a}gbh\bar{a}va$ $b\bar{i}ja$ mantra $ai\mathring{m}$ re-iterates the need to obtain all the knowledge we need to succeed in all our tasks and become accomplished. The second Lakṣmī $b\bar{i}ja$ mantra $\acute{s}r\bar{i}\mathring{m}$ indicates the desire for fruition of all our efforts.

The word 'apaduddhāraṇāya' signifies the one who rescues us from all dangers and miserable conditions.

The $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $hr\bar{a}m$ pulls us away from karmic bonds and infuses spirituality into our mind and intellect. The $hr\bar{\imath}m$ $b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra represents the power of Destruction and applied to the individual self, it is the destruction of our inner karmic bonds represented by antahkarana (mind, ego and the intellect) that bind the consciousness to the physical, astral and causal bodies.

The form shifting $kinnara\ b\bar{\imath}ja$ mantra $hr\bar{u}\mathring{m}$, brings complete transformation in our spiritual outlook and leads us towards self-realization. In this context Lord Bhairava is aided by the Divine Mother Bhairavi, who wields the power of Destruction and transformation and is the Destroyer of the Creation.

The word 'ajāmala-baddhāya' is a combination of 'aja' meaning — leader, 'amala' meaning — blemish-less and 'baddhāya' meaning — bound. He is a blemish-less leader and Lord and bound to the devotion of His devotees. The word 'lokeśvarāya' signifies — the Lord who rules over all the worlds.

The word 'svarṇākarṣaṇa' represents attraction of all types of abundance including gold, precious gems, money etc. The word 'bhairavāya' represents the Lord Bhairava, who is a terrific form of Lord Śiva and is seen as a Protector. He is worshipped as a generous boon giver by His devotees.

The word 'mama' means myself/us. The word 'dāridrya' means all types of poverty, miseries and unfortunate conditions. The word 'vidveṣaṇāya' signifies — the One who hates dāridrya. The word 'mahābhairavāya' represent Lord Śiva Himself as the chief Mahābhairava.

The *namaḥ* $b\bar{i}ja$ mantra is for offering salutations to the deity and indicating our complete surrender and request to the deity to take charge of our destiny. The $b\bar{i}ja$ mantras $\dot{s}r\bar{i}r\dot{i}n$, $hr\bar{i}r\dot{i}n$ and $air\dot{i}n$ are for encasing the mantra for added protection and easier fruition. This process of reversing the mantras at the end occurring earlier in the mantra, is called $samput\bar{i}karana$.

"Salutations to the Supreme Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava, the One who never fails to come to the rescue of His devotees, relieve us of all karmas, infuse uninhibited spirituality, material abundance and contentment in us and remove all types of misery from our lives once and for all".

3.7 Stotra-pāțha

sarvajñāya namas-tubhyam namaste divya-cakṣuṣe ajitāya namas-tubhyam jita-mitrāya te namah (24)

Salutations to the One who is the repository of all knowledge and holds the power of Divine foresight and is the cause of all happenings. He can never be conquered or subdued by any means and is also an ally of those who are subdued and seeking His protection. Salutations to the great Lord Bhairava!

namaste rudra-rūpāya mahāvīrāya te namaḥ namo'sttv-ananta-vīryāya mahāghorāya te namaḥ (25)

Salutations to the One who is in the form of Lord Rudra, the Destroyer and possessor of immense strength, potential and humungous power manifested in the Creation. Salutations to the One who is verily the source of infinite power, will and courage. Salutations to the One who is also the most terrific and benevolent, as need be.

namaste ghora-ghorāya viśva-ghorāya te namaḥ namah ugrāya śāntāya bhaktānām śānti-dāyine (26) Salutations to the One who is the most benevolent and terrific and is also the Destroyer of the entire Creation, at the time of its dissolution. Salutations to the most aggressive and war like, as well as the most composed and peaceful and the greatest beneficent to all His devotees, in bestowing everlasting happiness, comfort, joy and peace.

gurave sarva-lokānām namaḥ praṇava-rūpiṇe namaste vāgbhav-ākhyāya dīrgha-kāmāya te namaḥ (27)

Salutations to the Divine Father, who is the teacher and guru of the entire Creation and who is present in the form of the praṇava mantra $o\dot{m}$. Salutations to the great lord, who is omnipresent in the meaning of all the letters of the alphabet, including the alphabet and all the words and sound frequencies. Salutations to Him, who is the Creator and the doer of all major tasks and accomplishments and everything that is manifested in the Creation!

namaste kāma-rājāya yoṣita-kāmāya te namaḥ dīrgha-māyā-svarūpāya mahā-māyāya te namaḥ (28)

Salutations to the One who is the embodiment of all love, adoration, affection, lust and all types of emotions. Salutations to the One who showers His affection and grace upon all women and empowers them to accomplish any task! Salutations to the One, who has unleashed the great cosmic illusion, called the Mahāmāya and is omnipresent within it and embodies it as well.

sṛṣṭi-māyā-svarūpāya nisarga-samayāya te sura-loka-supūjyāya āpad-uddhāraṇāya ca (29)

Salutations to the One, who is the embodiment of the cosmic illusion, that engulfs the entire Creation and generates a false sense of reality, that the unenlightened beings perceive. Salutations to the One who creates the perception of time and dispenses with it as desired. Salutations to the One who is prayed to at all times by the celestials and the One who comes to their, as well as to our rescue, during all crises and when most needed. Salutations to the One who never refuses to come to the rescue of His devotees and is always there, when called upon!

namo namo bhairavāya mahā-dāridrya-nāśine unmūlane karmaṭhāya alakṣmyāḥ sarvadā namaḥ (30)

Salutations to the Divine Bhairava, who destroys and eliminates even the worst cases of poverty. He skillfully uproots the poverty causing elements and provides the much needed succor, to all His devotees seeking His grace.

namo ajāmala-baddhāya namo lokeśvarāya te svarņākarṣaṇa-śīlāya bhairavāya namo namaḥ (31)

Salutations to the blemish-less Lord bound to the sincere devotion of His devotees and is the ruler of the entire Creation! Salutations to Bhairava, who showers all types of riches and prosperity as is His natural dispensation, to enrich His devotees and fulfill all their wants and protect them from all harm.

mama dāridrya vidveṣaṇāya lakṣyāya te namaḥ namo loka-trayeśāya svānandaṃ nihitāya te (32)

Salutations to the Lord, who detests and removes all of our unfortunate dispensations, financial crises, loans, debts and lack of prosperity. It becomes an objective to the Divine Lord, to come to the rescue of His devotees and ensure their well-being. Salutations to the Lord of all the three realms, who is self-sufficient and ever content in His disposition.

namaḥ śrī-bīja-rūpāya sarva-kāma-pradāyine namo mahā-bhairavāya śrī-bhairava namo namaḥ (33)

Salutations to the Divine Lord who is in the form of the *śrī bīja śrīm*, indicating prosperity, abundance and fertility. He is the fulfiller of all desires and wishes of His sincere devotees. Salutations to the One who is none other than Brahman, manifested as Lord Mahā Bhairava and as the Preserver and Sustainer Lord Śrī Bhairava.

dhan-ādhyakṣa namas-tubhyaṃ śaraṇyāya namo namaḥ namaḥ prasanna ādi-devāya te namaḥ (34)

Salutations to the Divine Lord, who is the Lord of all wealth and is the Protector and savior of the entire Creation. Salutations to the Divine Lord manifested as the Creator Ādi Deva.

namaste mantra-rūpāya namaste mantra-rūpiņe namaste svarņa-rūpāya suvarņāya namo namah (35)

Salutations to the Divine Lord, who is in the form of the mantra Itself and is also its power (*śakti*). Salutations to the Divine Lord, who is golden yellow in complexion and has a brilliant glow and golden hue.

namaḥ suvarṇa-varṇāya mahā-puṇyāya te namaḥ namaḥ śuddhāya buddhāya namaḥ saṃsāra-tāriṇe (36) Salutations to the one, who is golden yellow in complexion and is most auspicious, sinless and is purity personified. Salutations to the One who is cleansed of all karmas, belongings and obsessions and is the superintelligence Itself. Salutations to Him, who is our protector and sustainer and will carry us through the journey of life and takes care of all our needs and that of our family.

namo devāya guhyāya pracalāya namo namaḥ namaste bāla-rūpāya pareśām balanāśine (37)

Salutations to the Divine Lord, who is all powerful, subtle, static and mobile and is omnipresent everywhere. Salutations to the One who is in the form of a lad as Vaṭuka Bhairava, representing the Creation Itself (Lord Brahma) and is the Supreme Reality — Brahman with imperishable power and sustenance. As Lord Rudra, He is also the Supreme power that destroys the entire Creation during the time of dissolution.

namaste svarņa saṃsthāya namo bhūtala-vāsine namaḥ pātāla-vāsāya anādhārāya te namaḥ (38)

Salutations to the One who is equated to the precious gold deposits on the Earth's surface and One who is omnipresent on the Earth's surface to assist His sincere devotees. Salutations to the One who is also present in the Earth's crust and the netherworlds and dimensions to assist His sincere devotees. Salutations to the One, who needs no support or assistance to act upon or to sustain Himself!

namo namaste śāntāya anantāya namo namaḥ dvi-bhujāya namas-tubhyaṃ bhuja-traya-suśobhine (39)

Salutations to the One who is calm and composed and ushers in peace to all the realms. Salutations to the One who is eternal, infinite and omnipresent. Salutations to the One who has two arms and sometimes dazzles the realms with three arms (manifesting the triads).

namo'namādi siddhāya svarņa-hastāya te namaḥ pūrņa-candra-pratīkāśa vadan-āmbhoja-śobhine (40)

Salutations to the One who is the Supreme Self and bows to none and is the first Siddha, the realized One! Salutations to the One whose hands are of gold. Salutations to the One who is as magnetic in appearance as a full moon in its golden disc form. Salutations to the One whose face dazzles and entices like a blossomed lotus.

namaste'stu-svarūpāya svarṇ-ālankāra-śobhine namaḥ svarṇ-ākarṣaṇāya svarṇ-ābhāya namo namaḥ (41) Salutations to the One who is in His own mysterious form and can manifest anywhere and in anything, throughout the Creation. Salutations to the One who is bedecked in golden ornaments and dazzling with brilliance of golden hue. Salutations to the One whose worship attracts wealth, abundance and immense prosperity. Salutations to the one who looks very enticing and pleasing in a golden appearance.

namaste svarņa-kaṇṭhāya svarṇābhāmbara-dhāriṇe svarṇa-siṃhāsana-sthāya svarṇa-pādāya te namaḥ (42)

Salutations to the One who is golden throated and is adorned in golden garments. Salutations to the One, who is seated on a golden lion faced throne and has golden feet!

namaḥ svarṇabha-pādāya svarṇa-kāñcī-suśobhine namaste svarṇa-jaṅghāya bhakta-kāmad-uddhātmane (43)

Salutations to the One, who has golden feet and dazzles with golden girdles around His waist and hips. Salutations to the One who has golden shanks (legs). Salutations to the One, who extricates and fulfills all the inner desires of His devotees.

namaste svarņa-bhaktāya kalpavṛkṣa-svarūpiņe cintāmaṇi-svarūpāya namo brahmādi-sevine (44)

Salutations to the One who is adored by the seekers of gold, wealth and prosperity, for He is also manifested in the form of the wish fulfilling celestial tree Kalpavṛkṣa. He is also manifested in the form of the fabulous wish fulfilling gem Cintāmaṇi. Salutations to the One who is served by the Creator Brahma and all other celestials and divine sages.

kalpadrumādyaḥ saṃsthāya bahu-svarṇa-pradāyine namo hemākarṣaṇāya bhairavāya namo namaḥ (45)

Salutations to the One who is stationed in the enchanted forest of the quick wish fulfilling trees of paradise. Salutations to the One who bestows plenty of gold, wealth and prosperity. Salutations to Bhairava, whose worship attracts all types of prosperity, gold, precious stones and immense wealth!

stavenānena santuṣṭo bhava lokeśa bhairava paśya māṃ karuṇā-dṛṣṭyā śaraṇāgata-vatsala (46)

Oh Divine Lord Bhairava, the ruler of the world, may these faultless verses (*stotram*) gladden your heart. Oh Divine Protector, may your divine grace full of mercy, love, affection, abounding in all kinds of auspiciousness, health and wealth, fall upon us and offer all the protection and care we seek.

3.8 Phalaśruti

Expected results upon reciting the *stotram* on a regular basis:

śrī mahā-bhairavasyedaṃ stotram-uktaṃ sudur-labham mantrātmakaṃ mahā-puṇyam sarvaiśvarya-pradāyakam (47)

This *stotram* of Lord Śrī Mahā Bhairava is said to be extremely rare and very difficult to obtain and recite. This is equivalent to a mantra to the Divine Lord and ushers immense auspiciousness, good karma, dissolves all sins and attracts all types of wealth, comforts, health, prosperity and happiness.

yaḥ paṭhen-nityam-ekāgraṃ pātakai sa pramucyate labhate mahatīṃ lakṣmīm-aṣṭaiśvaryam-avāpnuyāt (48)

One who recites this *stotram* with intense and single pointed devotion to Lord Bhairava, will be absolved of all sinful acts and bad karmas. Such a devotee will obtain immense riches, comforts, prosperity and all types of benefits beyond one's imagination.

cintāmaṇim-avāpnoti dhenu kalpataruṃ dhruvam svarṇa rāśim-avāpnoti śīghrameva na saṃśayaḥ (49)

All the wish fulfilling entities such as the wondrous wish fulfilling Cintāmaṇi tree, the wish fulfilling celestial cow and the happiness bestowing magical trees of paradise Kalpataru become accessible to the sincere devotees. Heaps of treasures and immense wealth gets bestowed very quickly. There is no reason to doubt this at all.

tri-sandhyam yaḥ paṭhet-stotram daśāvṛtyā narottamaḥ svapne śrī bhairavas-tasya sākṣād-bhūtvā jagad-guruḥ (50)

Those blessed devotees who sincerely and devotedly recite this *stotram* ten times daily, at dawn, noon and dusk, will also be blessed by the appearance of the universal teacher and Jagad Guru Lord Śrī Bhairava Himself.

svarņa-rāśim dadāt-yasmai tat-kṣaṇam nāsti saṃśayaḥ aṣṭāvṛtyā paṭhet yastu sandhyāyām vā narottamam (51)

When multitude of riches get showered upon the devotee, all doubts will be put to rest, at that very moment. To obtain the same, the sincerest devotees should make all efforts to recite eight times at dawn, noon and dusk.

labhate sakalān kāmān saptāhānnātra saṃśayaḥ sarvadaḥ yaḥ paṭhet-stotraṃ bhairavasya mahātmanāḥ (52)

Doing so week long, one is bound to achieve success in all undertakings. One must continue to recite this *stotram* lifelong, to achieve all the benefits that can be bestowed by the Divine Lord Bhairava!

loka-trayam vaśīkuryād-acalām lakṣmīm-avāpnuyāt na bhayam vidyate na vāpi viṣa-bhūtādi sambhavam (53)

All the three realms will be stunned at the progress of the devotee and the good fortune bestowed upon him. One need not have any fears or feel at loss for not acquiring enough knowledge. There shall be no harm caused to the devotees in large waters or from poisonous bites or via evil spirits. The protection of Lord Bhairava will keep away all harmful elements from impacting the sincere devotees.

mriyate śatravas-tasya alakṣmī nāśam-āpnuyāt akṣayam labhate saukhyam sarvadā mānavottamaḥ (54)

The devotee shall face no harm, death or defeat from any enemies or competitors and will never face misfortunes or loss of wealth at any time. All his wishes will be fulfilled on time and desired comforts and happiness will be available throughout his lifetime. Such sincere devotees will always have the grace of Lord Bhairava.

aṣṭa pañcāśad-varṇāḍhyo mantra-rājaḥ prakīrtitaḥ dāridrya duḥkha-śamanaḥ va svarṇākarṣaṇa kārakaḥ (55)

The fifty-eight lettered king of all mantras of Lord Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava is praised by all, as the poverty alleviating and misery, misfortune removing remedy and ode. This mantra *stotram* can be recited along with it as a supplement, for quicker realization of benefits.

ya ena sañjaped-dhīmān stotram vā prapaṭhet sadā mahā bhairava sāyujyam sa antakāle-labhed dhruvam (56)

The sincere devotees who recite this *stotram* on a daily or regular basis, will obtain all comforts and wealth lifelong and will never face any wants or suffer from miseries.

iti rudrayāmala-tantre svarņākarṣaṇa-bhairava-stotraṃ sampūrṇam

Thus ends the *stotram* called Svarṇākarṣaṇa Bhairava stotraṃ from the "Rudrayāmala Tantra".