Need to use a proper script for Samskritam

Even though Bhagavan understands all languages, the power of our Bharatiya languages cannot be matched in expressing our cultural values especially when rising to the plane of conversing with Bhagavan. Of them, the Samskrita bhasha is special in that it is pan-Bharatiya. Hence our scriptures, anushthana paddhati-s and a lot of bhakti sahitya texts are in Samskrita only.

We know that in Samskritam, especially for anushthanam, sound/pronunciation is important. Therefore one should write and read sankalpa shloka-s etc for anushthanam in an appropriate script which is capable of distinguishing all the sounds of Samskritam.

Now the Latin (English) script was evolved for other languages, and we all know the difficulty of correlating spelling and pronunciation even in English. Further, more letters are required to write Samskritam than English as there are more sounds in it. However, since Latin script is widely known, scholars felt it useful to create a Latin-based transliteration system for Samskritam.

In such a system, Latin letters which may be casually applied to different sounds need to be differentiated. For instance in Rama the first or second "a" may denote a long sound. This is differentiated as Rāma or Ramā. Similarly, other marks called diacritics are used to differentiate sounds as in aā iī uū rṛṛ lll̄ mṃ hḥ nṅñṇ tṭ dḍ sśṣ. Aspirated (mahāprāna) sounds are denoted with an additional h as in k/kh, g/gh, c/ch, j/jh, t/th, d/dh, t/th, d/dh, p/ph, b/bh.

However, a system is useful only if followed correctly. If diacritics or added h-s are ignored and we do not read with the intended pronunciation, then the transliteration is no longer useful for its intended purpose. It is very easy to ignore diacritics as they are not in daily use. It would then have altogether been better to use a script which actually has different symbols for the sounds.

Therefore **it is strongly recommended to learn a Bharatiya script** like Devanagari, Grantha, Telugu, Kannada etc **which has clearly different letters to denote the various sounds**. Our documents are published in many such scripts.

However, with a view to help people who are not able to immediately learn such scripts, we are now publishing documents in Latin transliteration as well as per the system called International Alphabet of Sanskrit Transliteration (IAST). For the above reasons, people should use these as a temporary measure till they learn a Bharatiya script.

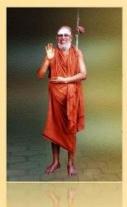
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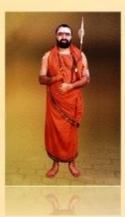
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a अ, ā आ, i इ, ī ई, u उ, ū ऊ, ṛ ऋ, ṭ ऋ, ṭ ॡ, ṭ ॡ ṭa ट, ṭha ठ, ḍa ड, ḍha ढ, ṇa ण
e ए, ai ऐ, o ओ, au औ, aṃ अं, aḥ अः ta त, tha थ, da द, dha ध, na न
ka क, kha ख, ga ग, gha घ, ṇa ङ pa प, pha फ, ba ब, bha भ, ma म
ca च, cha छ, ja ज, jha झ, ña ञ ya य, ra र, la ल, va व, śa रा, ṣa प, sa प, sa प, sa प, sa प, sa ए, sa ए,
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śrī-vedavyāsāya namaḥ

śrīmad-ādya-śankara-bhagavatpādaparamparāgata-mūlāmnāya-sarvajña-pītham śrī-kāncī-kāmakoţi-pīţham jagadguru-śrī-śankarācārya-svāmi-śrīmathasamsthānam

||śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatīśrīcaraṇa-laghu-pūjā-paddhatih||

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(ācamya) [vighneśvarapūjām krtvā|]

śuklāmbaradharam visnum śaśivarnam caturbhujam prasannavadanam dhyāyet sarvavighnopaśāntaye prāṇān āyamya om bhūḥ + bhūrbhuvaḥ suvarom (apa upaspṛśya, puṣpākṣatān gṛhītvā)

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mamopāttasamastaduritaksayadvārā śrīparameśvaraprītyartham śubhe śobhane muhūrte adya brahmaṇaḥ dvitīyaparārdhe śvetavarāhakalpe vaivasvatamanvantare aṣṭāviṃśatitame kaliyuge prathame pāde jambūdvīpe bhāratavarṣe bharatakhaṇḍe meroḥ dakṣiṇe pārśve asmin vartamāne vyāvahārikānām prabhavādīnām sastyāh samvatsarānām madhye krodhināma-saṃvatsare uttarāyaņe śiśira-ṛtau kumbha-māgha-māse kṛṣṇa-pakṣe dvādaśyām (12:47) śubhatithau bhaumavāsarayuktāyām uttarāṣāḍhānakṣatrayuktāyām vyatīpāta-yoga (08:12; varīyo-yoga); varīyo-yoga; parigha-yogayuktāyām taitila-karaņa (12:47; garajā-karaņa)yuktāyām evam-guna-viśesana-viśistāyām asyām dvādaśyām (12:47) śubhatithau śrīparameśvaraprītyartham

- o uttarāṣāḍhā-nakṣatre dhanūrāśau āvirbhūtānām śrīmat-śankaravijayendra-sarasvatī-saṃyamīndrāṇām asmākam jagadgurūṇāṃ dīrgha-āyuḥ-ārogya-siddhyartham mahātripurasundarī-sametam candramauliśvaram samprārthya,
- o taiḥ sankalpitānām sarveṣām loka-kṣemārtha-kāryāṇām veda-śāstrādisampradāya-posana-kāryānām vividha-ksetra-yātrāyāśca avighnatayā sampūrtyartham
- o kāmakoti-guru-paramparāyām kāmakoti-bhakta-janānām acañcalabhāvaśuddha-drdhatara-bhakti-siddhyartham, paraspara-aikamatyasiddhyartham
- o bhāratīyānām mahājanānām vighna-nivrtti-pūrvaka-satkārya-pravrttiaihika-āmuṣmika-abhyudaya-prāptyartham, asatkāryebhyah nivrttyartham
- śraddhā-bhaktyoh bhāratīyānām santateh sanātana-sampradāye abhivrddhyartham

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- o sarveṣāṃ dvipadāṃ catuṣpadām anyeṣāṃ ca prāṇi-vargāṇām ārogyayukta-sukha-jīvana-avāptyartham
- o asmākam saha-kuṭumbānām dharma-artha-kāma-mokṣa-rūpa-caturvidha-puruṣārtha-siddhyartham viveka-vairāgya-siddhyartham

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇa-prītyarthaṃ śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇa-jayantī-mahotsave yathāśakti-dhyāna-āvāhanādi-ṣoḍaśopacāraiḥ śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇa-pūjāṃ kariṣye tadaṅgaṃ kalaśapūjāṃ ca kariṣye [kalaśapūjāṃ kṛtvā]]

||dhyānam||

śrutismṛtipurāṇānām ālayaṃ karuṇālayam namāmi bhagavatpādaśaṅkaraṃ lokaśaṅkaram

ajñānāntargahana-patitān ātmavidyopadeśaiḥ trātuṃ lokān bhavadavaśikhā-tāpapāpacyamānān muktvā maunaṃ vaṭaviṭapino mūlato niṣpatantī śambhormūrtiścarati bhuvane śaṅkarācāryarūpā

namāmaḥ śaṅkarānvākhya-vijayendrasarasvatīm śrīgurum śiṣṭamārgānunetāram sanmatipradam

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇān dhyāyāmi| śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇān āvāhayāmi|

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇebhyo namaḥ, āsanaṃ samarpa-yāmi

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇebhyo namaḥ, svāgataṃ vyāharāmi| pūrṇakumbhaṃ samarpayāmi|

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇebhyo namaḥ, pādyaṃ samarpa-yāmi

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇebhyo namaḥ, arghyaṃ samarpa-yāmi

śrī-śaṅkara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaraṇebhyo namaḥ, ācamanīyaṃ samarpayāmi|

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hara hara śankara jaya jaya śankara śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, madhuparkam samarpayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, snapayāmi snānānantaram ācamanīyam samarpayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, vastram samarpayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, yajñopavītam samarpayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, divyaparimalagandhān dhārayāmi gandhasyopari haridrākunkumam samarpayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, akṣatān samarpayāmi puspaih pūjayāmi

dakṣiṇāmūrtyaṣṭottaraśatanāmāvaliḥ

vidyārūpiņe namaḥ mahāyogine namah śuddhajñānine namaḥ pinākadhṛte namaḥ ratnālankṛtasarvāngāya namaḥ ratnamālājaṭādharāya namaḥ gangādhārine namah acalāvāsine namah sarvajñānine namah samādhikrte namah 10 aprameyāya namah yoginidhaye namah tārakāya namaḥ bhaktavatsalāya namaḥ

brahmarūpiņe namaḥ jagadvyāpine namah visnumūrtaye namah purātanāya namaḥ ukṣavāhāya namaḥ carmavāsase namah 20 pītāmbaravibhūsanāya namah moksadāyine namah mokṣanidhaye namaḥ andhakāraye namah jagatpataye namah vidyādhāriņe namaḥ śuklatanave namah vidyādāyine namaḥ

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hara hara śankara

arāgine namah kāmadahanāya namaḥ tapasvine namah visnuvallabhāya namah brahmacārine namah samnyāsine namah grhasthāśramakāraņāya namaḥ dāntāya namah śamavatām śresthāya namah

jaya jaya sankara

dayāparāya namah yogapattābhirāmāya namah vīṇādhāriņe namaḥ vicetanāya namah matiprajñāsudhādhārine namah mudrāpustakadhāraņāya namaḥ rājayakṣmādirogāṇām vinihantre namah sureśvarāya namaḥ 108

||iti śrī-dakṣiṇāmūrti-aṣṭottaraśatanāmāvaliḥ sampūrṇā||

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ācāryaparamparānāmāvaliḥ

|| pūrvācāryāḥ ||

- 1. śrīmate dakṣiṇāmūrtaye namaḥ
- 2. śrīmate viṣṇave namaḥ

sattvarūpāya namah

- 3. śrīmate brahmaņe namaḥ
- 4. śrīmate vasisthāya namah
- 5. śrīmate śaktaye namah
- 6. śrīmate parāśarāya namaḥ
- 7. śrīmate vyāsāya namaḥ
- 8. śrīmate śukāya namaḥ
- 9. śrīmate gauḍapādāya namaḥ
- 10. śrīmate govindabhagavatpādāya namaḥ
- 11. śrīmate śankarabhagavatpādāya namaḥ

|| bhagavatpādaśiṣyāḥ ||

- 1. śrimate sureśvarācāryāya namaḥ
- 2. śrimate padmapādācāryāya namah

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- 3. śrīmate hastāmalakācāryāya namaḥ
- 4. śrīmate toṭakācāryāya namaḥ
- 5. śrīmate pṛthivīdhavācāryāya namaḥ
- 6. śrīmate sarvajñātma-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 7. anyebhyah śankarabhagavatpāda-śisyebhyo namah

|| kāmakoţi-ācāryāḥ ||

- 1. śrīmate śankarabhagavatpādāya namaḥ
- 2. śrīmate sureśvarācāryāya namaḥ
- 3. śrīmate sarvajñātma-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 4. śrīmate satyabodha-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 5. śrīmate jñānānanda-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 6. śrīmate śuddhānanda-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 7. śrīmate ānandajñāna-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 8. śrīmate kaivalyānanda-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 9. śrīmate kṛpāśaṅkara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 10. śrīmate viśvarūpa-sureśvara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 11. śrīmate śivānanda-cidghana-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 12. śrīmate sārvabhauma-candraśekhara-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 13. śrīmate kāṣṭhamauna-saccidghana-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 14. śrīmate bhairavajid-vidyāghana-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 15. śrīmate gīṣpati-gaṅgādhara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 16. śrīmate ujjvalaśankara-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 17. śrīmate gauḍa-sadāśiva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 18. śrīmate sura-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 19. śrīmate mārtaṇḍa-vidyāghana-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 20. śrīmate mūkaśańkara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ

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- 49. śrīmate mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 50. śrīmate candracūḍa-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 51. śrīmate vidyātīrtha-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 52. śrīmate śaṅkarānanda-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
 - o śrīmate advaitabrahmānandāya namaḥ
 - o śrimate vidyāraņyāya namaḥ
 - o anyebhyaḥ vidyātīrtha-śaṅkarānanda-śiṣyebhyo namaḥ
- 53. śrīmate pūrņānanda-sadāśiva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 54. śrīmate vyāsācala-mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 55. śrīmate candracūḍa-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 56. śrīmate sadāśivabodha-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 57. śrīmate paramaśiva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
 - o śrīmate sadāśivabrahma-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 58. śrīmate viśvādhika-ātmabodha-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 59. śrīmate bhagavannāma-bodha-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 60. śrīmate advaitātmaprakāśa-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 61. śrīmate mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 62. śrīmate śivagītimālā-candraśekhara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 63. śrīmate mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namah
- 64. śrīmate candraśekhara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 65. śrīmate sudarśana-mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 66. śrīmate candraśekhara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 67. śrīmate mahādeva-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 68. śrīmate candraśekhara-indrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 69. śrīmate jayendrasarasvatyai namaḥ
- 70. śrīmate śankaravijayendrasarasvatyai namah

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namah, śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo nānāvidhaparimalapatrapușpāņi samarpayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, dhūpamāghrāpayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, dīpam darśayāmi śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, amṛtam mahānaivedyam pānīyam ca nivedayāmi nivedanānantaram ācamanīyam samarpayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, karpūratāmbūlam samarpayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, mangalanīrājanam darśayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, pradaksinanamaskārān samarpayāmi

śrī-śankara-vijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīcaranebhyo namah, prārthanāh samarpayāmi

||svasti-vacanam|

- śrīmad-akhila-bhūmaṇḍalālankāra-trayastrimśat-koţi-devatāo svasti sevita-śrī-kāmākṣī-devī-sanātha-śrīmad-ekāmranātha-śrī-mahādevīsanātha-śrī-hastigirinātha-sāksātkāra-paramādhisthāna-satyavratanāmānkita-kāncī-divya-ksetre śāradāmatha-susthitānām
- o atulita-sudhārasa-mādhurya-kamalāsana-kāminī-dhammillasamphulla-mallikā-mālikā-niḥṣyanda-makaranda-jharī-sauvastikavānnigumpha-vijrmbhanānanda-tundilita-manīsi-mandalānām
- o anavaratādvaita-vidyā-vinoda-rasikānām nirantarālankṛtīkṛta-śāntidānti-bhūmnām
- o sakala-bhuvana-cakra-pratiṣṭhāpaka-śrīcakra-pratiṣṭhā-vikhyāta-yaśo-

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jaya jaya sankara

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- o nikhila-pāṣaṇḍa-ṣaṇḍa-kaṇṭakotpāṭanena viśadīkṛta-veda-vedāntamārga-sanmata-pratisthāpakācāryānām
- o paramahamsa-parivrājakācāryavarya-jagadguru-śrīmat-śankarabhagava pādācāryāṇām
- simhāsanābhisikta-śrīmat-candraśekharendra-sarasvatī- adhisthāne antevāsivarya-śrīmad-jayendra-sarasvatī-śrīpādānām śrīpādānām antevāsivarya-śrīmat-śankaravijayendra-sarasvatī-śrīpādānām caraņanalinayoḥ sapraśrayam sāñjalibandham ca namaskurmaḥ

||toṭakāṣṭakam||

viditākhila-śāstra-sudhā-jaladhe mahitopanisat-kathitartha-nidhe hṛdaye kalaye vimalam caranam bhava śankara deśika me śaranam 1

karunā-varunālaya pālaya mām bhava-sāgara-duḥkha-vidūna-hṛdam racayākhila-darśana-tattva-vidam bhava śankara deśika me śaranam 2

bhavatā janatā suhitā bhavitā nija-bodha-vicāraņa-cāru-mate kalayeśvara-jīva-viveka-vidam bhava śaṅkara deśika me śaraṇam 3

bhava eva bhavāniti me nitarām samajāyata kautukitāl cetasi mama vāraya moha-mahā-jaladhim bhava śankara deśika me śaraṇam 4

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