#### 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.

The Samskrita varnamala in IAST is given below with Devanagari equivalents:

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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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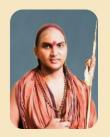












śrī-vedavyāsāya namaḥ

śrīmad-ādya-śankara-bhagavatpādaparamparāgata-mūlāmnāya-sarvajña-pītham śrī-kāñcī-kāmakoți-pīțham jagadguru-śrī-śankarācārya-svāmi-śrīmathasamsthānam

# kāverī-pūjā ||arghyapradanam||

marudvrdhe mahābhāge sarvalokaikapāvanī gṛhāṇārghyaṃ mayā dattaṃ pāvanaṃ kuru māṃ sadā 1 kāveryai namaḥ - idamarghyam idamarghyam |

viṣṇumāye mahākāye kaverakulasambhave sahyācalasambhūte grhānārghyam varaprade 2 kāveryai namah - idamarghyam idamarghyam |

kumbhasambhavakumbhāt tvam sahyāmalakapūjayā śańkhodakena sañjātā grhānārghyam samudrage 3 kāveryai namaḥ - idamarghyam idamarghyam |

#### prārthanā

marudvṛdhe mahālakṣmīssahyakanyā sarasvatī agastyapatnī kāverī lopāmudrā varapradā 1

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kamaṇḍalusamutpannā sarvatīrthādhidevatā virajā dakṣiṇā gaṅgā brahmaviṣṇuśivātmikā 2

caturvidhaphaloddhātrī caturānanakanyakā sarvābhīṣṭapradātrī ca nāmnāṃ ṣoḍaśakaṃ smṛtam ebhirnāmapadairnityaṃ pūjayedbhaktimānnaraḥ 3

# ||pradhāna-pūjā||

(ācamya)

[vighneśvarapūjām krtvā|]

śuklāmbara-dharaṃ viṣṇuṃ śaśi-varṇaṃ caturbhujam prasanna-vadanaṃ dhyāyet sarva-vighnopaśāntaye prāṇānāyamya mamopātta + kāverī-devī-prasāda-siddhyarthaṃ kāverīpūjāṃ kariṣye

acchasvacchalasaddukūlavasanām padmāsanāddhyāsinīm hastanyastavarābhayābjakalaśām rākendukoṭiprabhām bhāsvadbhūṣaṇagandhamālyarucirām cāruprasannānanām śrī-gaṅgādisamastatīrthanilayām dhyāyāmi kāverikām 11 kāverī-devīm dhyāyāmi

śrīkaṇṭhaviśveśvarasannibhāni liṅgāni yadrodhasi lakṣakoṭyaḥ jalapravāhepi ca koṭikoṭyaḥ kaverajāyāśśivamūrtayassyuḥ

payāṃsi tīrthāni śilāśca devatā
divaukaso vālukatāṃ prapannāḥ
ato nadī sahyagiriprasūtā
saritsumukhyāmanujairalabhyā ||
kāverī-devīm āvāhayāmi||

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vidhātrmānasasutā paścātkaverātmajā ādāvādi bhūyaḥkumbhabhavasya tasya dayitā tasmānnadīrūpiņī śrīrangātulakumbhaghonavilasanmāyūramadhyārjunaśvetāraņyamukhasthaleşu mahitā sahyādrijā dṛśyate kāverī-devyai namaḥ, āsanam samarpayāmi||

> marudvrdhe mahādevī mahābhāge manohare sarvābhīstaprade lokamātah pādyam dadāmi te

marudvṛdhe mānyajalapravāhe kaverakanye namatām śaranye mānye jagatpūjyatamaprabhāve kāveri kāveri mama prasīda kāverī-devyai namaḥ, pādyam samarpayāmi||

> sahyapādodbhave devi śrīraṅgotsaṅgāmini kāverīnāmavikhyāte grhānārghyam namo'stute

prācīnavākkīrtita-punyakīrte kalyāni bhaktepsitadānadhurye kumbhodbhavapreritagumbhitārthe kāveri kāveri mama prasīda kāverī-devyai namaḥ, arghyam samarpayāmi|

> śrīsahyaśailatanaye sarvāsahya nivārini prasādam kuru me devi prasannābhava sarvadā

samsāravisramsini samskṛtānām sarvāghasamhāriņi sarvavandye samastalokaikaśaranyamūrte kāveri kāveri mama prasīda kāverī-devyai namah, ācamanīyam samarpayāmi

tulāmāse tu kāverī sarvatīrthāśritā pañca-pātaka-samhartrī vājimedhaphalapradā

bhaktānukampe munibhāgyalaksmi nitye jaganmangaladanaśile daksinadeśagange nirañjane kāveri kāveri mama prasīda veda-dharma-śāstra-paripālana-sabhā

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kāverī-devyai namaḥ, pañcāmṛtasnānaṃ samarpayāmi||

kāverītīrajanmānaḥ mṛgapakṣimahīruhāḥ tadvāriśītavātaiśca spṛṣṭā muktim prayānti vai

mokṣaśriyopāsita-pādapadme nitye harīśadruhiṇasvarūpe sadāśive dhātṛvaraprasāde kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

kāverī-devyai namaḥ, śuddhodakasnānaṃ samarpayāmi|| snānānantaram ācamanīyaṃ samarpayāmi||

kaverakanyekāveri nimnagānāthanāyike vastrāṇi vasabhūvastre bhuktimuktipradāyini

devarṣipūjye vimale nadīśe

parātpare bhāvitanityapūrṇe
samastalokottamatīrthamātaḥ
kāveri kāveri mama prasīda||
kāverī-devyai namaḥ, vastraṃ samarpayāmi||

sarvayajñāśrayataṭe sarvayajñasahāyini yajñāṅgasambhave devi sarvayajñaphalaprade

kaliprabhūtākhiladoṣanāśe
viśuddhavijñānajalapravāhe|
kadambakalhārakadambapūrṇe
kāveri kāveri mama prasīda||
kāverī-devyai namaḥ, yajñopavītaṃ samarpayāmi||

jayadevi jaganmātarlopāmudre purātane jayabhadre bhavoddhāri maṅgale maṅgalaprade

prasīda kārunya-gunābhirāme prasīda kalyāņatarapravāhe prasīda kāmādihare pavitre kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

kāverī-devyai namaḥ, mangaladravyam samarpayāmi haridrā-kunkumam samarpayāmi|

> candanāgarukastūrīhimavālukakesaraiḥ rānkavaissānkavairyuktam gandham svīkuru sahyaje

ādye pare cinmayapunyapāde pacelimapraudhakaverabhāgye ananyasādhāraņa vaibhavāḍhye kāveri kāveri mama prasīda kāverī-devyai namaḥ, gandhān dhārayāmi||

yasyām sakrtsnānamātrānnaro'ksayyaphalam labhet nakṣatramālyavacchubhrāmakṣatairarcayāmyaham kāverī-devyai namaḥ, akṣatān samarpayāmi

kirītahārakeyūrakundalāngadakankanaih hamsakairmekhalādyaiśca bhūṣayetvām marudvṛdhām kāverī-devyai namaḥ, ābharaṇāni samarpayāmi

tāṭaṅkam kanṭhasūtram ca sindūram kajjalādikam saumangalyaprade devi grhānāgastyavallabhe kāverī-devyai namaḥ, tāṭankādikān samarpayāmi

tulasībilvamandārakuśāgraśatapatrakaiḥ indīvaraiḥ kokanadairhallakaiḥ kamalairapi kāverī-devyai namaḥ, puṣpamālām samarpayāmi

kalhāraih pundarīkaiśca puspaih saugandhikādibhih jātīcampakapunnāgamallikāketakādibhih

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gandharājakadambakaiḥ surabhidronavāsantī puspaih sahyasute mātarveņyalankaraņam kuru

bahujanmakṛtānekavāsanāvāsitātmabhih divyaiḥ sumavaraiḥ pūjyām pūjayet puṣpajātibhiḥ kāverī-devyai namaḥ, puṣpaiḥ sampūjayāmi

## atha aṅga-pūjā||

marudvṛdhāyai namaḥ mahālaksmyai namah sahyakanyakāyai namah sarasvatyaijānunī namaḥ agastyapatnyai namah kāveryai namah lopāmudrāyai namah varapradāyai namaḥ kamandalusamutpannayai namah sarvatīrthādhidevatāyai namaḥ virajāyai namaḥ dakşinagangāyai namah brahmavișnuśivātmikāyai namah caturvidhaphaloddhātryai namaḥ caturānana kanyakāyai namaḥ sarvābhīstapradātryai namah

pādau pūjayāmi gulphau pūjayāmi janghe pūjayāmi pūjayāmi madhyam pūjayāmi nābhim pūjayāmi hṛdayam pūjayāmi stanau pūjayāmi bāhū pūjayāmi kantham pūjayāmi nāsikām pūjayāmi śrotre pūjayāmi netre pūjayāmi vaktram pūjayāmi śirah pūjayāmi sarvānyangāni pūjayāmi

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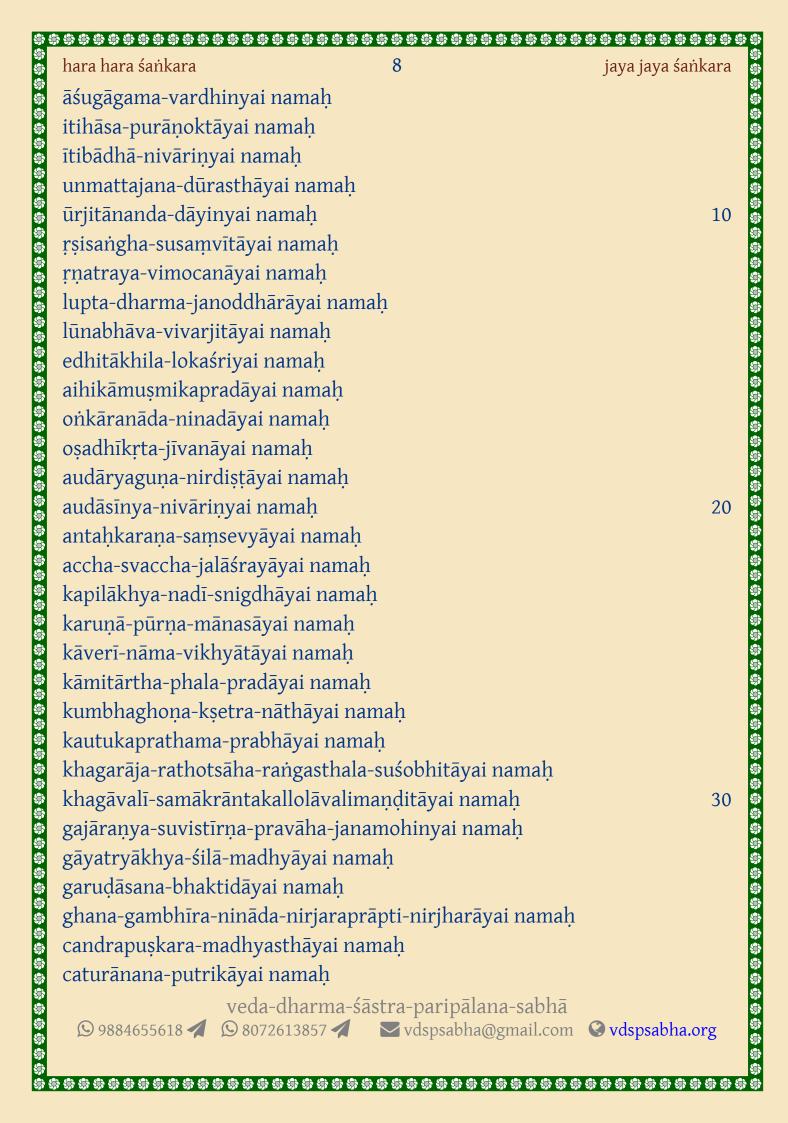
ananta-guṇa-gambhīrāyai namaḥ arkapuşkara-sevitāyai namaḥ amṛtasvādu-salilāyai namaḥ agastyamuni-nāyikāyai namaḥ āśānta-kīrti-tilakāyai namaḥ

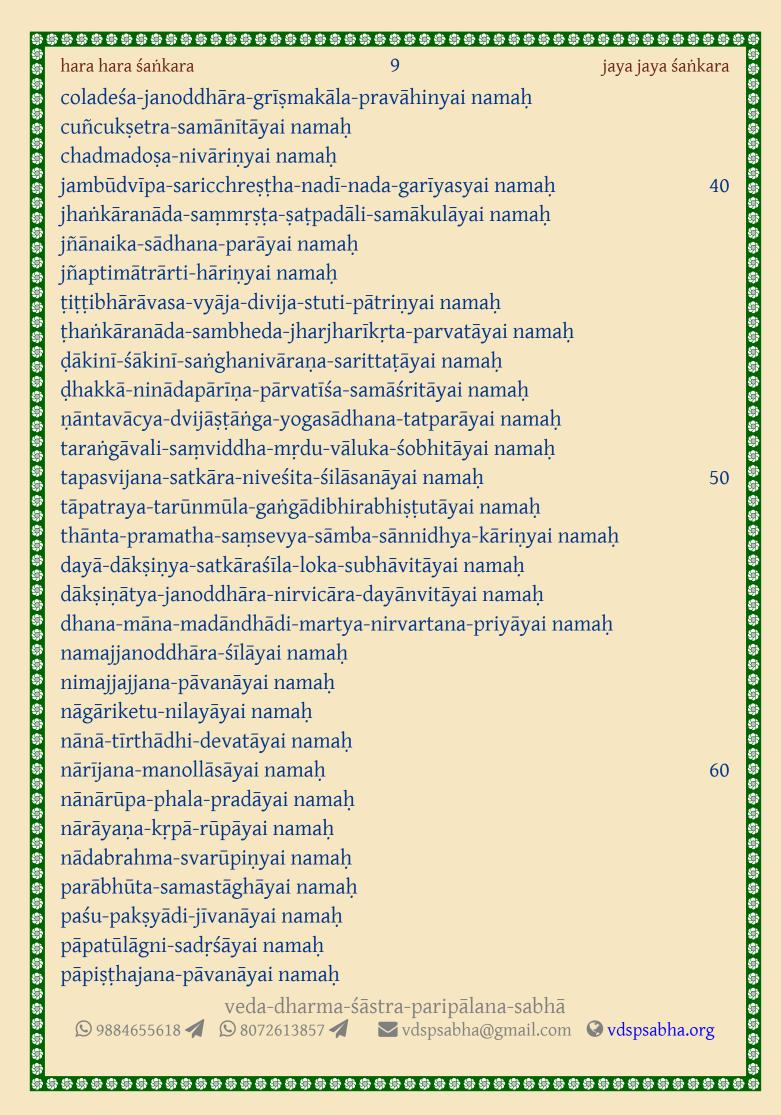
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hara hara śankara 11 jaya jaya sankara sahyāsahya-jana-priyāyai namaḥ sangamaksetra-sāmīpyāyai namah svavaśārtha-catustayāyai namah 100 saubhariksetra-nilayayai namah saubhāgya-phala-dāyinyai namah samśayāvista-dūrasthāyai namah sāngopānga-phalodayāyai namah hari-brahmeśa-lokeśa-siddhavṛndāra-vanditāyai namaḥ ksetra-tīrthādi-sīmāntāyai namah kṣapānātha-suśītalāyai namaḥ kṣamātalākhilānanda-kṣema-śrī-vijayāvahāyai namaḥ 108 ||iti śrīkāveryaṣṭottaraśatanāmāvaliḥ sampūrṇā||

kāverī-devyai namaḥ, nānā-vidha-parimala-patra-puṣpāṇi samarpayāmi||

### uttarāngapūjā

raṅgatrayotsaṅgavirājamāne brahmādrikūṭāśritatīrthagarbhe samastasiddhāśramaramyatīrthe kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

daśāṅgoguggulopetassugandhoghrāṇatarpaṇaḥ | marudvṛdhe'mbakāveri dhūpoyante samarpitaḥ | kāverī-devyai namaḥ, dhūpam āghrāpayāmi | |

tulāgate'rketaţini varābhirgaṅgādibhiḥ sevitapādapadme trikoţitīrthāśrama-puṣkarāḍhye kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

āpo jyotistvamasyamba kumbhasambhavatejasā tejaḥpradātri kāveri dīpo'yam pratigrhyatām

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kāverī-devyai namah, dīpam darśayāmi

dadāsi tulyābhiranarghadhānyānyaśesacoliyajanasya devi bhuktiprade muktividhānadakse kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

annam caturvidham rucyam śākavyañjana samyutam saphalam saghrtam bhunksva kāveri tatitām vare kāverī-devyai namaḥ, naivedyam samarpayāmi|| pānīyam samarpayāmi| uttarāpośanam samarpayāmi nivedanāntaram ācamanīyam samarpayāmi

> nijābhidhānaśravanādrtānām niśśesapāpaksayakāriņītvam nidāghatṛṣṇādi nirāsadakṣe kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

kāverī-devyai namaḥ, phalam karpūra-tāmbūlam ca samarpayāmi

parāśarāgastyavasisthamukhyairmaharşibhirmānyatapobhiramba tvamāśritākarmaṭhasiddhihetuḥ kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

tvannīrājanapādukā sarvatīrthaistulāmāse nīrājayāmi bhaktyātvām kāveryambamarudvṛdhe kāverī-devyai namaḥ, nīrājanam samarpayāmi

> māyūramadhyārjunakumbhaghonaśrīrangacuncusthalaghattagā tvam sasyodbhave sindhuyute svatantre prasīda kāveri kāveri mama

pradaksinam karomi tvām purusārthapradāyini dakṣiṇāvartakaśrīnivāsaprīte marudvrdhe kāverī-devyai namaḥ, pradakṣiṇam samarpayāmi

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brahmādibhirdevavaraistrisandhyam vasisthapūrvairmunibhirvaristhaih gajāraņyagatairniṣevye nityam prasīda kāveri kāveri mama

namaste tațităm mukhye nigamāgama samstute pāhi pāhyamba kāveri prapannam mām kṛpādṛśā kāverī-devyai namaḥ, namaskārān samarpayāmi suvāsinībhyah vāyanadānāni

> nijāśritānām suvāsinīnām ca patipriyatvam ca sutādivargam dāsyasyudāram bahubhogabhāgyam kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

> nijapravāhāpravalabdhapunyaprasiddhasatkarmaphalodayena nṛṇāmabhīṣṭārthavidhāyinī tvam kāveri kāveri mama prasīda

pāpakṣayam pāriśudhyamāyurārogyameva saubhāgyamapi santānam jñānam dehi marudvṛdhe iti samprārthya||

> ||iti vratacūdāmaņau kāverī-pūjāvidhih om tat sad brahmārpaņamastu

