

श्रीजगन्नाथाष्टकम् Śrī Jagannāthāṣṭakam

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कदाचित् कालिन्दी-तट-विपिन-सङ्गीत-तरलो
मुदाभीरी-नारी-वदन-कमलास्वाद-मधुपः ।
रमा-शम्भु-ब्रह्मामर-पति-गणेशार्चित-पदो
जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥१॥

*kadācit kālindī-taṭa-vipina-saṅgīta-taralo
mudābhīrī-nārī-vadana-kamalāsvāda-madhupaḥ
ramā-śambhu-brahmāmara-pati-gaṇeśārcita-pado
jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (1)*

Who sometimes fervently plays His flute on the banks of the Yamunā river in Śrī Vṛndāvana, who is like a bumblebee that blissfully tastes the lotus faces of the *Vraja-gopīs*, and whose feet are worshipped by great personalities such as Lakṣmī, Śiva, Brahmā, Indra, and Gaṇeśa—may that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

भुजे सव्ये वेणुं शिरसि शिखि-पिच्छं कटितटे
दुकूलं नेत्रान्ते सहचर-कटाक्षं च विदधत् ।
सदा श्रीमद्वृन्दावन-वसति-लीला-परिचयो
जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥२॥

*bhuje savye veṇuṁ śirasi śikhi-picchaṁ kaṭitāṭe
dukūlaṁ netrānte sahacara-kaṭākṣaṁ ca vidadhat
sadā śrīmad-vṛndāvana-vasati-līlā-paricayo
jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (2)*

Who holds a flute in His left hand, who wears a peacock feather on His head and a fine yellow silken cloth around His hips, who from the corners of His eyes bestows loving sidelong glances upon His companions, and who is forever known as the one who performs wondrous pastimes in the divine abode of Śrī Vṛndāvana—may that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

महाम्भोधेस्तीरे कनक-रुचिरे नील-शिखरे
 वसन् प्रासादान्तः सहज-वलभद्रेण बलिना ।
 सुभद्रा-मध्यस्थः सकल-सुर-सेवावसर-दो
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥३॥

*mahāmbhodhes-tīre kanaka-rucire nīla-sikhare
 vasan prāsādāntaḥ sahaja-valabhadreṇa balinā
 subhadrā-madhyasthaḥ sakala-sura-sevāvasara-do
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (3)*

Who on the shore of the great ocean resides in a palace situated on the gold-like crest of Nilācala Hill accompanied by His powerful brother Baladevaji and between Them, His sister Subhadrā, and who bestows the opportunity to serve Him upon all the demigods—may that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

कृपा-पारावारः सजल-जलद-श्रेणि-रुचिरो
 रमा-वाणी-रामः स्फुरदमल-पंकेरुह-मुखः ।
 सुरेन्द्रैराराध्यः श्रुति-गण-शिखा-गीत-चरितो
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥४॥

*kṛpā-pārāvāraḥ sajala-jalada-śreṇi-ruciro
 ramā-vāṇī-rāmaḥ sphurad-amala-paṅkeruha-mukhaḥ
 surendrair-ārādhyah śruti-gaṇa-sikhā-gīta-carito
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (4)*

Who is an ocean of mercy, whose bodily complexion is as beautiful as a row of blackish rain-clouds, who sports with Lakṣmī-devī and Sarasvatī, whose face is like a spotless fully-blossomed lotus, who is worshipped by the foremost demigods, and whose transcendental glories have been sung in the topmost scriptures—may that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

रथारूढो गच्छन् पथि मिलित-भूदेव पटलैः
 स्तुति-प्रादुर्भावं प्रति-पदमुपाकर्ण्य सदयः ।
 दया-सिन्धुर्बन्धुः सकल-जगतां सिन्धु-सुतया
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥५॥

*rathārūḍho gacchan pathi milita-bhūdeva paṭalaih
 stuti-prādurbhāvaṁ prati-padam-upākṛṇya sadayaḥ
 dayā-sindhur-bandhuḥ sakala-jagatāṁ sindhu-sutayā
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (5)*

When Jagannātha's Ratha-yatra cart is moving along the road, at every step assemblies of *brāhmaṇas* sing His praises. Upon hearing them, Jagannātha, being an ocean of mercy and the true friend of all the worlds, becomes favourably disposed towards them. May that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

परंब्रह्मापीडः कुवलय-दलोत्फुल्ल-नयनो
 निवासी नीलाद्रौ निहित-चरणोऽनन्त-शिरसि ।
 रसानन्दी राधा-सरस-वपुरालिङ्गन-सुखो
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥६॥

*param-brahmāpīḍaḥ kuvalaya-dalotphulla-nayano
 nivāśī nilādrau nihita-caraṇo 'nanta-śirasi
 rasānandī rādhā-sarasa-vapur-āliṅgana-sukho
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (6)*

Who is the crown-jewel of transcendence, whose eyes are like the petals of a fully-opened blue lotus, who resides at Nilācala, whose feet are placed on the head of Śeṣa, who is blissfully immersed in *bhakti-rasa*, and who derives happiness from embracing the *rasa*-laden body of Śrīmatī Rādhikā—may that Śrī Jagannāthadeva be the object of my vision.

न वै याचे राज्यं न च कनक-माणिक्य-विभवं
 न याचेऽहं रम्यां सकल-जन-काम्यां वरवधूम् ।
 सदा काले काले प्रमथ-पतिना गीत-चरितो
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥७॥

*na vai yāce rājyaṁ na ca kanaka-māṇikya-vibhavaṁ
 na yāce 'haṁ ramyāṁ sakala-jana-kāmyāṁ vara-vadhūm
 sadā kāle kāle pramatha-patinā gīta-carito
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (7)*

I do not pray to Jagannātha for a kingdom, nor for gold, jewels, wealth, or even for a beautiful wife as desired by all men. My only prayer is that Śrī Jagannāthadeva, whose splendid glories are always sung by Śiva, be the constant object of my vision.

हर त्वं संसारं द्रुततरमसारं सुरपते!
 हर त्वं पापानां विततिमपरां यादवपते! ।
 अहो दीनेऽनाथे निहित-चरणो निश्चितमिदं
 जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन-पथ-गामी भवतु मे ॥८॥

*hara tvaṁ saṁsāraṁ drutataram-asāraṁ sura-pate!
 hara tvaṁ pāpānāṁ vitatim-aparāṁ yādava-pate!
 aho dīne 'nāthe nihita-carāṇo niścitam-idaṁ
 jagannāthaḥ svāmī nayana-patha-gāmī bhavatu me (8)*

O master of the demigods! Quickly deliver me from this worthless worldly existence. O Lord of the Yadus! Purge me of my limitless host of sins. Aho! You have promised to bestow Your feet upon the fallen and shelterless—O Jagannātha Swāmī, please be the object of my vision.

जगन्नाथाष्टकं पुण्यं यः पठेत् प्रयतः शुचि ।
 सर्वपाप-विशुद्धात्मा विष्णुलोकं स गच्छति ॥९॥

*jagannāthāṣṭakaṁ puṇyaṁ yaḥ paṭhet prayataḥ śuci
 sarva-pāpa-viśuddhātmā viṣṇulokaṁ sa gacchati (9)*

One who carefully recites this sacred Jagannāthāṣṭakam, upon becoming sinless and pure-hearted, will attain entrance into Viṣṇuloka.