

LINGĀṢṬĀKAM

1. brahma muraari suraarchita liṅgam
nirmala bhaasita shobhita liṅgam |
janmaja duhkha vinaashana liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
2. deva muni prava-raarchita liṅgam
kaama-dahana karuṇaa-kara liṅgam |
raavaṇa darpa vinaashana liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
3. sarva sugandhi sulepita liṅgam
buddhi-vivard-dhana kaaraṇa liṅgam |
siddha-suraa-sura vandita liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
4. kanaka mahaa-maṇi bhooshita liṅgam
phaṇipati-veshṭita shobhita liṅgam |
daksha su-yagya vinaashana liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
5. kunkuma chandana lepita liṅgam
paṅkaja haara sushobhita liṅgam |
sanchita papa vinaashana liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
6. deva-gaṇaar-chita sevita liṅgam
bhaavair-bhakti-bhireva cha liṅgam |
dinakara koṭi prabhaakara liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
7. aṣṭa-dalo pari-veshṭita liṅgam
sarva samud-bhava kaaraṇa liṅgam |
aṣṭa daridra vinaashana liṅgam
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||
8. sura-guru sura-vara poojita liṅgam
sura-taru puṣhpa sadaar-chita liṅgam |
paraat-param param-aatmaka liṅgam (X 2)
tat-praṇamaami sadaashiva liṅgam ||

Translation:

1. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is adored by Brahma, Vishnu and other Gods; which is praised by pure and holy speeches, and which destroys the cycle of birth and death.
2. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is the destroyer of desires, which the Devas and the sages worship, which is infinitely compassionate, and which subdued the pride of Raavana.
3. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is lavishly smeared with varied perfumes and scents, which elevates the power of thought and enkindles the light of discrimination, and before which the Siddhas and Suras and Asuras prostrate.
4. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, the destroyer of Daksha's sacrifice, which is decorated with various ornaments, studded with different gems and rubies, and which glows with the garland of the serpent lord coiled around it.
5. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is smeared with saffron and sandal paste, which is decorated with lotus garlands, and which wipes out all accumulated sins.
6. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is worshipped by the multitude of Gods, with genuine thoughts full of faith and devotion, and whose splendour is like that of a million suns.
7. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, destroyer of all poverty and misery in its eight aspects, which is the cause of all creation, and which stands on the eight-petalled Lotus.
8. I bow before that Sada Shiva Linga, which is the Transcendent Being and the Supreme Self, worshipped by all Suras and their preceptor (Brihaspati), with innumerable flowers from the celestial gardens.