

NARAYANI STUTI

Slokas 8 to 25 of Chapter 11 of Devi Mahathmyam is called The Narayani Stuti (Prayer to Narayani) .. Narayani denotes “the innate power behind ultimate god”. It also means “she who provides the basis for all living things. ” Or “She who is the power behind Lord Narayana. ” Or the power of illusion behind Lord Narayana or she is who is personification of salvation or She who is fit to be worshipped by Devas. This prayer was done by all devas after the Goddess exterminated Shumbha, Nishumbha and their army.

Devi PrapannaartiHare Prasiida Prasiida MaatarJagatoakhilasya
Prasiida Vishveshvari Paahi Vishvam TvamIishvarii Devi CaraaCarasya ||¹

AadhaaraBhuutaa JagatasTvamEkaa MahiiSvaruupenna Yatah Sthitaasi
Apaam SvaruupaSthitayaa TvayaiEtat-Aapyaayate KrtsnamAlangghyaViirye ||²

Tvam VaissnnaviiShaktirAnantaViiryaa Vishvasya Biijam Paramaasi Maayaa
Sammohitam Devi SamastamEtatTvam Vai Prasannaa Bhuvi MuktiHetuh ||³

Vidyaah SamastaasTava Devi Bhedaah Striyah Samastaah Sakalaa Jagatsu
TvayaiEkayaa Puuritam-AmbayaiTat Kaa Te Stutih Stavva-Paraaparoktih ||⁴

Sarva-Bhuutaa Yadaa Devii Bhukti-Mukti-Pradaayinii
Tvam Stutaa Stutaye Kaa Vaa Bhavantu Paramoktayah ||⁵

1 Kalakashtadhi roopena parinama pradhayini,
Visvasyoparathou shakthe, narayani namosthute⁶

2. Sarva mangala mangalye, Shive, sarvartha sadhake,
Saranye triambike Gowri narayani namosthute⁷

3. Srushti sthithi vinasanam sakthi bhoothe, sanathani,
Gunasraye, gunamaye, narayani namosthute⁸

¹ O Devi, You Remove the Distress of those who Approach You and take Refuge in You; Please be Gracious, O Mother of the Entire Universe, O Goddess of the World, and Protect the World, O Devi, You are the Goddess of all the Moving and Non-Moving Beings.

² You Alone Support All the Beings of the World by Standing Firm like the Form of the Great Earth, By being Established like the Form of Water You Overflow This Entire World with Your Inviolable Power.

³ You are the Endless Power of Vaishnavi Shakti (Power of Vishnu), You are the Supreme Maya which is the Seed of the Universe, O Devi, This Whole World is Caught in the Illusion (of Your Maya), If You Become Gracious, it Becomes the Cause of Liberation.

⁴ O Devi, All Knowledge are Your Differentiation (arising from You), All Women in this World are Your Parts, O Mother, By You Alone is Filled all This (i.e. the World), What Praise is there of You which can Glorify You, and which can be expressed with Direct and Indirect Expressions

⁵ O Devi, When Present in All Beings and Granting Worldly Prosperity and Liberation, You are Praised thus, What Better Expression can there Be for Praising You?

⁶ Hey powerful one, who leads to evolution of earth from the micro time and who is the main force in the destruction of the world, Our salutations to you, Narayani
(Kashta is the time when eyes blink and open naturally for 18 times and kala is 30 kashtas. These are small measurements of time)

⁷ Oh Goddess who is a giver of all good things, who is peaceful, who is a giver of all wealth, who can be relied upon, who has three eyes and who is golden in colour, Our salutations to you, Narayani

⁸ Hey goddess who is the power behind creation, upkeep and destruction. Hey goddess who is for ever, who is depended upon by three characters of sathva, Rajas and Thamas and who is filled with all good characteristics, Our salutations to you, Narayani

4. Saranagatha deenaartha, parithrana parayane,
Sarvsyarthi hare devi, narayani namosthutte⁹
5. Hamsa yuktha vimanasthe, brahmani roopa dharini,
Kaushambha ksharika devi, Narayani namoshthutte¹⁰
6. Trishula chandrahi dhare, maha vrushabha vahini,
Maheswari swaropena narayani namosthutte¹¹
7. Mayura kukkuda vruthe, maha shakthi dhare anaghe,
Kaumari roopa samsthane, Narayani namosthutte¹²
8. Samkha chakra gadha sarnkhya graheetha paramayudhe,
Praseedha Vaishnavi roope, Narayani namoshthutte¹³
9. Graheethogra maha chakre, damshtro dhyutha vasundhare,
Varaha roopini, shive, narayani namosthutte¹⁴
10. Nrusimha roopenogrena hanthum daithyan kruthodhyame,
Trilokya trana sahithe, Narayani namosthutte¹⁵
11. Kiritini, maha vajre, sahasra nayanojwale,
Vruthra prana hare, narayani namoshthe¹⁶
12. Shivadhoothi swaropena hatha daithya maha bale,
Ghora roope, maharave, Narayani namosthutte¹⁷

⁹ Hey Goddess, who takes care of those who surrender to you and those who are suffering, Hey Goddess who removes all sufferings from the entire world, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁰ Oh goddess who travels in the air plane with swans, who is having the form of Lord **Brahma** and who sprinkles water mixed with Dhurbha grass, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹¹ Oh Goddess who has the form of Lord **Shiva**, who holds a trident, who adorns herself with the crescent and snake and who rides on the great bull, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹² Oh Goddess who is with cock and peacock, who holds a great spear, who is without sin, who is of the form of Lord Subrahmanya, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹³ Oh Goddess who holds mace, wheel, conch and bow in your hands, and who is the form of Lord **Vishnu**, be pleased with us, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁴ Oh Goddess who holds aloft the great holy wheel, who holds the earth in her frontal teeth, who has the form of Lord **Varaha** and who does only good, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁵ Oh Goddess who has the form of the Lord **Narasimha**, who has a horrifying look and who is ready to kill **asuras** and who takes care of the three worlds, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁶ Oh Goddess with the holy crown, who holds aloft the great **Vajrayudha**, who shines with thousand eyes, who killed the **Vruthra asura** and who has the form of **Indra**, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁷ Oh Goddess who has the form of **Shiva Dhoothi**, who killed the great army of **asuras**, who has a horriying look and who has a great **sound**, Our salutations to you, Narayani

13. Damshttra karala vadane, siro mala vibhooshane,
Chamunde, munda madhane, narayani namosthuthe.¹⁸
14. Lakshmi lajje mahavidhye, sradhe, pushti swadhe, druve,
Maha rathri maha maye, Narayani namosthuthe¹⁹
15. Medhe, saraswathi, vare, bhoothi bhabravi, thamasi,
Niyathe, thwam, praseedhesa, narayani namosthuthe²⁰
16. Sarva swaroope sarveshe, sarva shakthi samanvithe,
Bhayebhya sthrahino devi, durga devi namosthuthe²¹
17. Ethathe vadanam soumyam, lochana thraya bhooshitham,
Pathu na sarva bhoothebhya, kathyayani namosthuthe²²
18. Jwala karala mathyugra maseshasura soodhanam,
Trishoolam padu no bheeder bhadrakali, namosthuthe²³

¹⁸ Oh Goddess who has a fearful face because of her teeth, who adorns herself with the garland of skulls, who killed the giant called Munda and who is goddess **Kali**, Our salutations to you, Narayani

¹⁹ Hey Goddess Lakshmi, who is the personification of shyness, who is of the form of upanishads, who has a religious temper, who looks very strong, who has the form of the manes, who is permanent, who is the night of deluge and who is the cause of all the worlds, Our salutations to you, Narayani

²⁰ Oh Goddess who is wisdom of intelligence, who is the goddess of words, who is greatest, who is the goddess of the properties of Sathva, Rajo and Thamas, and who is our Goddess, please be kind on us, Our salutations to you, Narayani

²¹ Oh goddess who takes all forms, who is the goddess of every thing and who is having all types of strengths, please save us from fears, Our salutations to you, Goddess **Durga**

²² Oh Goddess Kathyayani, our salutations to you, let your pretty face adorned with the three eyes protect us from all beings

²³ Oh Goddess **Bhadrakali**, salutations to you, let your horrifying trident surrounded by flames, which is very angry and is being kept to trouble all asuras, protect us from fear