

॥ महालक्ष्म्यष्टकस्तोत्रम् ॥

— from the Padma Purana

इन्द्र उवाच -

नमस्तेऽस्तु महामाये श्रीपीठे सुरपूजिते ।
शङ्खचक्रगदाहस्ते महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ १ ॥

नमस्ते गरुडारूढे कोलासुरभयङ्करि ।
सर्वपापहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ २ ॥

सर्वज्ञे सर्ववरदे सर्वदुष्टभयङ्करि ।
सर्वदुःखहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ३ ॥

सिद्धिबुद्धिप्रदे देवि भुक्तिमुक्तिप्रदायिनि ।
मन्त्रमूर्ते सदा देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ४ ॥

आद्यन्तरहिते देवि आद्यशक्तिमहेश्वरि ।
योगजे योगसम्भूते महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ५ ॥

स्थूलसूक्ष्महारौद्रे महाशक्तिमहोदरे ।
महापापहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ६ ॥

पद्मासनस्थिते देवि परब्रह्मस्वरूपिणि ।
परमेशि जगन्मातर्महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ७ ॥

श्वेताम्बरधरे देवि नानालङ्कारभूषिते ।
जगत्स्थिते जगन्मातर्महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥ ८ ॥

Indra said —

1. O Mahamaya, abode of fortune, who art worshipped by the Devas, I salute Thee; O Mahalakshmi, wielder of conch, disc and mace, obeisance to Thee.

2. My salutations to Thee, who ridest the Garuda and art a terror to Asura Kola; O Devi Mahalakshmi, remover of all miseries, my obeisance to Thee.

3. O Devi Mahalakshmi, who knowest all, giver of all boons, a terror to all the wicked, remover of all sorrow, obeisance to Thee.

4. O Devi, giver of intelligence and success and of worldly enjoyment and liberation, Thou hast always the mystic symbols as Thy form, O Mahalakshmi, obeisance to Thee.

5. O Devi, Maheshwari, without a beginning or an end, O Primeval Energy, born of Yoga, O Mahalakshmi, obeisance to Thee.

6. O Mahalakshmi, who art both gross and subtle, most terrible, great power, great prosperity and great remover of all sins, obeisance to Thee.

7. O Devi, seated on the lotus, who art the Supreme Brahman, the great Lord and Mother of the universe, O Mahalakshmi, obeisance to Thee.

8. O Devi, robed in white garments and decked with various kinds of ornaments, Thou art the Mother of the universe and its support, O Mahalakshmi, obeisance to Thee.

महालक्ष्म्यष्टकस्तोत्रं यः पठेद् भक्तिमान्नरः ।
सर्वसिद्धिमवाप्नोति राज्यं प्राप्नोति सर्वदा ॥ ९ ॥

एककाले पठेन्नित्यं महापापविनाशनम् ।
द्विकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं धनधान्यसमन्वितः ॥ १० ॥

त्रिकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं महाशत्रुविनाशनम् ।
महालक्ष्मीर्भवेन्नित्यं प्रसन्ना वरदा शुभा ॥ ११ ॥

9. This hymn to the great Goddess of Wealth, if read with devotion, will bestow all success, will grant all worldly position.

10. If always read once a day, great sins will be destroyed. If always read twice a day, wealth and prosperity will ensure.

11. If always read three times a day, the great enemy (ego) will be destroyed. Mahalakshmi will be ever pleased with that auspicious one.