

BALVIKAS/EHV BHAJANS – GROUP 1

1. Gauri Ganesh Uma Ganesh Parvathi Nandana Shree Ganesh Sharanam Ganesh Sharanam Ganesh Shiva Nandana Ganapathi Ganesh

Gauri	(one with fair complexion), Uma (one who does penance) and Paarvathi (daughter of Parvatha or mountain ie Himavaan) are synonyms.
Ganesh	Isa (Lord) of Ganas (Divine beings who assist in Divine missions)
Ganapathi	Pathi (Lord) of Ganas
Nandana	Son
Sharanam	to surrender or to seek refuge

Oh Lord Ganesh, beloved son of Mother Gauri, I surrender to Thee, Lord of all Demi-Gods, beloved son of Lord Shiva.



2. Ganesha Sharanam Sharanam Ganesha 4x Sayeesha Sharanam Sharanam Sayeesha 4x

- Ganesha Isa (Lord) of Ganas (Divine beings who assist in Divine missions)
- *Sharanam* to surrender or to seek refuge
- Sayeesha Isa (Lord) Sai

Surrender to Lord Ganesha, Surrender to Lord Sai











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3. Jaya Guru Omkaara Jaya Jaya Sadguru Omkaara Om Brahma Vishnu Sada Shiva Hara, Hara, Hara, Hara, Mahadeva

Jaya Glory or Victory

Guru	Preceptor, teacher. One who removes (ru) darkness (Gu), one who removes ignorance. Baba has given a higher meaning to the word Guru. Gu stands for Gunaatheetha meaning one who is beyond the three gunas namely Satva, Rajas and Tamas. Ru stands for Rupavarjitam meaning without any form. That which is beyond form and attributes is none other than the Supreme Parabrahman who is the real Sadguru whom we represent by the symbol Omkaara.
Omkaara	Embodiment of sacred Om
Sadguru	the auspicious Guru
Brahma	The Creator, also means that aspect of Guru who plants good values in his students
Vishnu	The Protector, also means that aspect of the Guru who preserves and nourishes the good values planted
Sada	always, eternally
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SadasivaEternally auspicious Siva who is the one in charge of Dissolution, also
means that aspect of Guru who destroys the evil propensities in the students

Baba says that Brahma, Vishnu and Siva are the Thrimurthi (three aspects of the Universe) representing Generation (G), Operation (O) and Dissolution (D). Put together the three represents GOD

- Hara to destroy (all evil and inauspiciousness)
- MahaadevaSupreme (Maha) Lord (Deva)

Deva In Sanskrit the word Deva means an effulgent being.

Glory to the Guru who is the embodiment of the sacred Om. The (true) auspicious Guru is Brahma (one who plants good values in students), Vishnu (one who fosters good values) and the Eternal Shiva (one who removes all evil).He is Mahadeva, the Supreme Lord who removes all evil.





4. Guru Deva Guru Deva Guruvayur Pura Hari Deva Hari Narayana, Hari Narayana Sharanam Sharanam Sai Deva

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- *Deva* In Sanskrit the word Deva means an effulgent being
- *Guruvayur* Guru + Vayu + Uur the land (uur) of Guru (Brihaspathi, the Guru of Devas) and Vaayu, the Windgod. Legend states that the statue of Krishna that was worshipped by Krishna Himself was established in this famous temple in Kerala, India by Brihaspathi (Guru) and Vaayu after Krishna left His body.
- Narayana All Pervading
- *Hari* Commonly used to denote Vishnu or Krishna. Occasionally used to indicate the other avatars of Vishnu. In Sanskrit Hari also means lion. Therefore, Narasinha is sometimes called Narahari. The word meaning oh Hari is one who destroys evil.
- *Sharanam* to seek refuge, surrender

O Gurudeva, you are also the Lord of Guruvayur. Oh Sai Narayana, I have come to Thee in refuge.











5. Sree Sai Natha Guru Govinda Parthi Pureeshwara Jaya Govinda Prashanthi Nilaya Radhey Govinda Sri Guru Jaya Guru Vithala Govinda

Sree	Indicates auspiciousness
Sai Naatha	Lord Sai
Guru	Please see Bhajan no:3
Govinda	The word Go stands for Cow and Earth. Vinda means one who helps to survive and surmount. Govinda refers to Krishna who is in the common parlance a Cowherd. At the same time Govinda means the One who helps us to survive and surmount the earthly existence and reach Supreme Realization of the Self.
Parthi Pureeshwar a	Lord (Isa) of the Town (Puri) of Parthi (short form for Puttaparthi)
Jaya	Glory or Victory
Prashanti	Supreme Peace
Nilaya	Home, Abode
Prashanti Nilayam	is also the name of Sai Baba's Ashram
Radha	is the Gopi who had attained the state of supreme Love Lord Krishna

The auspicious Lord Sai, the Guru is also Govinda. He is Lord Vithala Govinda of Parthi. He is Lord Govinda, who resides in Prashanthi Nilayam, the beloved Lord of Radha. Victory to the auspicious Guru, Lord Vithala Govinda



6. Jai Durga Lakshmi Saraswathi Sai Jaganmaatha Sai Jaganmaatha Maam Paahi Jaganmaatha Sai Jaganmaatha Maam Paahi Jaganmaatha

Victory be

Durgaa	The epithet of Paarvathi, Consort of Siva, Represents the energy (Shakti) for of dissolution in the universe. In Sanskrit, the word Durgaa means she who is difficult (Du) to attain (Ga). She is the Durgathi Naashini meaning one who destroys the wrong (Dur) pathways (Gathi) in the life of the devotee.
Lakshmi	The consort of Vishnu, Represents the nourishing and preserving energy (Shakti) of the universe. She represents prosperity, wealth, good luck, success, accomplishment, beauty, grace, charm, splendour and luster.
Saraswathi	The consort of Brahma, Represents the creative energy (Shakti) of the universe. She represents knowledge both spiritual and secular (Vedamata), speech (Vaakdevi), all kinds of art (Kalaavathi).
Sai	Mother Sai
Jagad	Universe, Mata – Mother. Jagad + Mata = Jaganmata – Mother of the Universe
Maam	Me
Paahi	Protect

Glory to Durga, Lakshmi, Saraswati (who are none other than) Sai, Divine Mother of the Universe, protect me.



7. Jai Jai Durga Jai Bhavaani Shaambhavi Shankari Jai Bhavaani Jaya Jagadambe Maha Kaalike Shambhavi Shankari Jai Bhavaani

Bhavaani, Shaambhavi and Shankari are synonyms meaning the consort of Bhava, Shambhu and Shankara which are the names for Siva

- Jagad The Universe
- *Amba* Mother. When we address Amba we use the term Ambe
- *Kaalike* The young Kaali, the Dark complexioned Durga. When we address Kaalika we use the term Kaalike

Victory to the Divine Mother, Durga, Bhavani, Shambhavi, Shankari, Kali; She who is auspicious, the Mother of the universe







8. Dam4x Damaru Baajey

Hara Bhola Naatha Shiva Shambho Bhajey Ghana Ghana Ghana Ghana Ghanta Baajey Hara Gauri Naatha Shiva Shambho Bhajey

Dam, Dam	The sound of drum
Damaru	The drum held in one hand of Siva
Baaje	Playing of the musical instrument (applicable to musical or rhythm)
Bhaje	Sing or play in worship of
Ghana Ghana	Ringing sound
Ghanta Ghanta	the gong, the bells
Hara	One who destroys evil, bad tendencies
Gauri Naatha	The lord (naatha) of Gauri
Siva and Shambhu are synonyms. When we address Shambhu we use the term Shambho	

The drum beats the sound of "dam dam"; It plays in worship of Shiva; The gong rings out the sound of "ghan ghan"; It sings in worship of Shiva; It sings in worship of Lord Siva who is the Lord of Gauri.







9. Shivaaya Namah Shiva Shivaaya Namah Shiva Shivaaya Namah Om Namah Shivaaya Shivaaya Namah Shiva Shivaaya Namah Shiva Shivaaya Namah Om Namah Shivaaya

This bhajan repeats the mantra "Om Namah Shivaaya" - "bow in reverence to Shiva"



10. Om Shivaaya Om Shivaaya Shambho Shankara Om Shivaaya Shambho Shankara Om Shivaaya Shambho Shankara Om Shivaaya

Chant the mantra, "Om Shivaya, Shambho Shankara Om Shivaya "



11. Govinda Rama Jai Jai Gopaala Rama Madhava Rama Jai Jai Keshava Rama (G) Durlabha Rama Jai Jai Sulabha Rama Eka Tu Rama Jai Jai Aneka Tu Rama.

Govinda	The word Go stands for Cow and Earth. Vinda means one who helps to survive and surmount. Govinda refers to Krishna who is in the common parlance a Cowherd. At the same time Govinda means the One who helps us to survive and surmount the earthly existence and reach Supreme Realization of the Self.
Rama	One who is enchanting, joyful and pleasing
Gopaala	Paala means one who protects and preserves. Go means Cow or Earth
Madhava	The Lord (husband) of Maa (supreme Mother), Husband of Goddess Lakshmi, Vishnu or any of His Avatars
Keshava	Another name of Vishnu, meaning the One with plentiful Kesa (hair). Baba also has said that Ka stands for Brahma, Isa stands for Siva and Va for Vishnu. Therefore Keshava atands for the confluence of Trimurtis
Durlabha	Difficult to attain
Sulabha	Opposite of Durlabha, Easy to attain

Divinity is easy to attain to those who are able to look within and difficult to those who look outwards for excuses and for answers.(Antarmukha samaaraadhyaa, Bahirmukha sudurlabhaa)

Eka One

Aneka Many

God is only One and is perceived and described as many. (Ekam Sat Viprah Bahudha Vadanti)

Victory to Lord Rama! Thou art Lord Govinda. Victory to Lord Rama! Thou art Lord Madhava. Thou art difficult as well as easy to attain. Victory to Lord Rama! Thou art One in all and all in one.



12. Badaa Chiththa Chora Brindaavana Sanchaara Gopaala Gopaala Hey Murali Gopaala Govardhanoddhaara Gopaala Bala Gopee Manohara Radhey Gopaala

Badaa	Big (Hindi)
Chiththa	Mind, Heart
Chora	Thief
Brindaavana	The grounds where Krishna spent His childhood days
Sanchara	to roam, to travel through.
Gopaala	Protector (Paala) of cows (Go), Cowherd
Murali	Flute
Govardhana	Name of mountain
Uddhara	The one who lifted . Govardhana + Uddhaara = Govardhanoddhaara
Baala	child
Manohara	Attractive to the mind or heart

Greatest stealer of hearts who roams through Brindavan; Krishna, the cowherd boy and flute player; Child who lifted the Govardhana hill; Cowherd boy who captivated the minds of the Gopis and Radha



13. (Jai Hari Krishna)2x Govardhana Giridhaari Raadha Mohana Raadha Jeevana Manjula Kunja Vihaari

Jai	Victory be
Hari	One who removes evil, hail
Giridhaari	One who holds (dhaari) the mountain (giri).
Govardhana Giridhaari	One who held up the Govardhana mountain.
Mohana	Beautiful, enchanting
Jeevana	Life support
Manjula	Beautiful
Kunja	Boughs, area with beautiful shrubs. In spiritual sense, the pure heart of the devotee
Vihaari	One who roams about or plays in.

Victory to Krishna who held aloft the mountain Govardhana, Who brought to Radha's life, the Delight of Bliss whose abode is in pure hearts



14. Hey Nanda Nanda Gopaal Aananda Nanda Gopaal Hey Nanda Nanda Gopaal, Aananda Nanda Gopaal Hey Nanda Nanda, Aananda Nanda Nanda, Yadu Nanda Nanda Gopaal

Nanda	Nandagopal, the foster father of Krishna
Nanda	also means the son. Therefore, Nanda nanda means the Son of Nanda
Gopaal	Protector (Paal) of cows (Go), Cowherd
Aananda	Bliss
Yadu Nanda	Descendent of Yaadava clan

Son of Nanda, blissful Krishna, the cowherd boy; Blissful son of the Yadu clan.



- 15. Gopaala Gopaala Naacho Gopaala x2 Naacho Naacho Sai Nanda Laala Rhuma Jhuma Rhuma Jhuma Nacho Gopaala Naacho Naacho Sai Nanda Laala
- GopaalaProtector (Paala) of cows (Go), CowherdNaachoPlease dance (Hindi)Nanda LaalaDarling of Nanda, the foster father of KrishnaRuma Jhumaindicates the sound of dancing steps

Hey Gopala, Nanda's son, Sai Krishna, dance; Dance, son of Nanda; Your anklets make the sound of Rhuma Jhuma as You dance



16. Yashoda Nandana Gopika Ranjana Eeshwaramba Nandana Hey Madhava Hey Keshava Jai Shree Rama Sai Rama

Yashoda Nandana	Son (Nandana) of Yashoda
Gopika	Very young Gopis
Ranjana	one who connects with the devotees in love, one who brings peace through Love
Eeshwaraamba	Mother (Amba) of God (Eeswara). Eeswaraamba was the name by which Baba's mother was known
Eeswaraambaa Nandana	Son of Eeswaraamba, Sri Sathya Sai Baba
Madhava	The Lord (husband) of Maa (supreme Mother), Husband of Goddess Lakshmi, Vishnu or any of His Avatars
Keshava	Another name of Vishnu, meaning the One with plentiful Kesa (hair). Baba also has said that Ka stands for Brahma, Isa stands for Siva and Va for Vishnu. Therefore Keshava stands for the confluence of Trimurtis

O Loving son of Mother Yasoda! Thou art the joy of devotees. Victory to the son of Eeswaramma, Sai Ram, Madhava and Keshava.



17. Radha Krishna Karuna Lola Radhey Govinda

Radhey Govinda, Murali Govinda Radhey Radhey Govinda, Murali Govinda

Radha	The Gopi who had the supreme devotion for Krishna
Karuna	Compassion
Lola	Immersed in
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Murali	Flute

Krishna, Radha's Lord, who gives compassion to all and tends the cows and plays the *flute*.



18. Bhaja Mana Govinda Gopala Govinda Gopaala, Gopaala (B)

Govinda Bolo Hari Gopaala Bolo (3x) Govinda Gopaala, Gopaala

Bhaja	Constantly sing in devotion
Mana	In the mind or heart
Govinda	The word Go stands for Cow and Earth. Vinda means one who helps to survive and surmount. Govinda refers to Krishna who is in the common parlance a Cowherd. At the same time Govinda means the One who helps us to survive and surmount the earthly existence and reach Supreme Realization of the Self.
Bolo	Say, Chant (Hindi)
Hari	Commonly used to denote Vishnu or Krishna. Occasionally used to indicate the other avatars of Vishnu. In Sanskrit Hari also means lion. Therefore, Narasinha is sometimes called Narahari. The word mening oh Hari is one who destroys evil.
Gopaala	Protector (Paala) of cows (Go), Cowherd

In your mind, sing in reverence, the Glories of Lord Krishna



Shakthi Vadivela Sai Muruga Saravana Bhava Guha Sai Muruga

This Bhajan is set in Tamil language.

Muruga	Subrahmania or Shanmukha, the younger son of Siva and Paarvathi
Vaa	Please come
Vadivel	The spiritual spear held by Muruga which was presented to Him by His mother.
Alaga	Beautiful, resplendent
Shakti Vadivel	The Vadivel which embodier Energy, Vadivel which was presented by Mother Shakti
Saravana	The lake in which Muruga took birth.
Saravana Bhava	One who came into being at the Saravana lake
Guha	Another name for Muruga, Guha means the cave, the secret chamber in the heart of the devotee

O Lord Muruga! Come to me, O the beautiful Lord who holds the Powerful Vel.



20. Vel Vel Muruga Vetrivel Muruga

Vel Vel Muruga Jnana Vel Muruga Vel Vel Muruga Kanda Vel Muruga Vel Vel Muruga Vadivel Azhalaga Muruga Muruga Muruga Muruga (x3) Muruga Muruga Vadivel Azhalaga

Vel or Vadivel	The spear that was gifted to Muruga by Mother Shakti
Kanda	Another name for Muruga. In Sanskrit it is Skanda
Jnaana Vel	The Vel symbolizing Brahma Jnaana, or Knowledge of the Supreme.

Chanting the names of Lord Muruga, the holder of the beautiful weapon of wisdom 'Vel'.









