

षट्पदी स्तोत्रं

अविनयमपनय विष्णो दमय मनः शमय विषयमृगतृष्णाम् ।
भूतदयां विस्तारय तारय संसारसागरतः ॥ १ ॥

Meaning - Oh Lord Vishnu! Drive away (my) immodesty, quell (my) mind and dispel the mirage of objects of worldly pleasure. Spread out compassion (in me) for all beings. Make me cross the ocean of worldly existence (to the shore, viz. moksha) (1)

दिव्यधुनीमकरन्दे परिमलपरिभोगसच्चिदानन्दे ।
श्रीपतिपदारविन्दे भवभयखेदच्छिदे वन्दे ॥ २ ॥

Meaning - I bow at the lotus-feet of vishnu (the Lord of Lakshmi) of which the celestial Gaṅgá is the pollen (or honey), which afford the enjoyment of their fragrance and stand out as 'Sat', 'Cit' and 'Ánanda' (as the true Brahman) and which cut off the terror and pain of birth in this world. (2)

सत्यपि भेदापगमे नाथ तवाहं न मामकीनस्त्वम् ।
सामुद्रो हि तरङ्गः क्वचन समुद्रो न तारङ्गः ॥ ३ ॥

Meaning - Oh! Protector! Even with the difference (between You and me) passing off, I become Yours but You do not become mine. Indeed (though there is no difference between the waves and the ocean) the wave belongs to the ocean but nowhere (never) does the ocean belong to the wave. (3)

उद्धृतनग नगभिदनुज दनुजकुलामित्र मित्रशशिदृष्टे ।
दृष्टे भवति प्रभवति न भवति किं भवतिरस्कारः ॥ ४ ॥

Meaning - Oh Lord who held aloft the mountain and who are the younger brother of the mountain-breaker (Indra)! Oh Lord who are the enemy of the race of demons and who have the Sun and the Moon as your eyes! When You, the mighty Lord, are seen, does not the setting aside of birth (removal of samsára) come about? (4)

मत्स्यादिभिरवतारैरवतारवताऽवता सदा वसुधाम् ।
परमेश्वर परिपाल्यो भवता भवतापभीतोऽहम् ॥ ५ ॥

Meaning - Oh Supreme Lord! I am frightened by the suffering caused by birth (samsára). I am fit to be (I must be) saved by You who, coming down in the form of incarnations as fish, etc., always protect the world. (5)

दामोदर गुणमन्दिर सुन्दरवदनारविन्द गोविन्द ।
भवजलधिमथनमन्दर परमं दरमपनय त्वं मे ॥ ६॥

Meaning - Oh Lord with the (mark of the) binding rope on Your belly! Oh abode of all auspicious qualities! Oh charming Lord of the lotus-face! Oh Govinda! Oh Lord who are the very Mandara mountain in the matter of churning the ocean of Samsára (worldly life)! Please remove my great dread. (6)

नारायण करुणामय शरणं करवाणि तावकौ चरणौ ।
इति षट्पदी मदीये वदनसरोजे सदा वसतु ॥ ७॥

Meaning - May the combination of the six words (the honey-bee) revel for ever in my lotus-mouth. (May this prayer - "Oh Náráyña! Oh Merciful One! Let me resort to your two feet as my refuge" ever revolve in my mouth. (7)

॥ इति श्रीमद् शङ्कराचार्यविरचितं विष्णुषट्पदीस्तोत्रं
सम्पूर्णम् ॥