

## Sri Ganga Stotram

### श्री गङ्गास्तोत्रम्

देवि सुरेश्वरि भगवति गङ्गे त्रिभुवनतारिणि तरलतरङ्गे ।  
शङ्करमौलिचिहारिणि विमले मम मतिरास्तां तव पदकमले ॥ १॥  
devi sureśvari bhagavati gaṅge tribhuvanatāriṇi taralatarāṅge ।  
śaṅkaramaulivihāriṇi vimale mama matirāstāṁ tava padakamale ॥ 1 ॥

*O Goddess Ganga! You are the divine river from heaven, you are the saviour of all the three worlds, you are pure and restless, you adorn Lord Shiva's head. O Mother! may my mind always rest at your lotus feet.*

भागीरथिसुखदायिनि मातः तव जलमहिमा निगमे ख्यातः ।  
नाहं जाने तव महिमानं पाहि कृपामयि मामज्ञानम् ॥ २ ॥  
bhāgīrathisukhadāyini mātāḥ tava jalamahimā nigame khyātaḥ ।  
nāhaṁ jāne tava mahimānaṁ pāhi kṛpāmayi māmajñānam ॥ 2 ॥

*O Mother Bhagirathi! You give happiness to everyone. The significance of your holy waters is sung in the Vedas. I am ignorant and am not capable to comprehend your importance. O Devi! you are full of mercy. Please protect me.*

हरिपदपाद्यतरङ्गिणि गङ्गे हिमविधुमुक्ताधवलतरङ्गे ।  
दूरीकुरु मम दुष्कृतिभारं कुरु कृपया भवसागरपारम् ॥ ३ ॥  
haripadapādyatarāṅgiṇi gaṅge himavidhumuktādhavalatarāṅge ।  
dūrikuru mama duṣkṛtibhāraṁ kuru kṛpayā bhavasāgarapāram ॥ 3 ॥

*O Devi! Your waters are as sacred as "Charanamriti" of Sri Hari. Your waves are white like snow, moon and pearls. Please wash away all my sins and help me cross this ocean of Samsara.*

तव जलममलं येन निपीतं परमपदं खलु तेन गृहीतम् ।  
मातर्गङ्गे त्वयि यो भक्तः किल तं द्रष्टुं न यमः शक्तः ॥ ४ ॥  
tava jalamamalaṁ yena nipītaṁ paramapadaṁ khalu tena gṛhītam ।  
mātagaṅge tvayi yo bhaktaḥ kila taṁ draṣṭuṁ na yamaḥ śaktaḥ ॥ 4 ॥

*O Mother! those who partake of your pure waters, definitely attain the highest state. O Mother Ganga! Yama, the Lord of death cannot harm your devotees.*

पतितोद्धारिणि जाह्नवि गङ्गे खण्डितगिरिवरमण्डित भङ्गे ।  
भीष्मजननि हे मुनिवरकन्ये पतितनिवारिणि त्रिभुवन धन्ये ॥ ५ ॥  
patitoddhāriṇi jāhnavi gaṅge khaṇḍitagirivaramaṇḍita bhaṅge ।  
bhīṣmajanani he munivarakanye patitanivāriṇi tribhuvana dhanye ॥ 5 ॥

*O Jahnavi! your waters flowing through the Himalayas make you even more beautiful. You are Bhishma's mother and sage Jahnu's daughter. You are saviour of the people fallen from their path, and so you are revered in all three worlds.*

कल्पलतामिव फलदां लोके प्रणमति यस्त्वां न पतति शोके ।  
पारावारविहारिणि गङ्गे विमुखयुवतिकृततरलापाङ्गे ॥ ६ ॥  
kalpalatāmiva phaladām loke praṇamati yastvām na patati śoke ।  
pārāvāravihāriṇi gaṅge vimukhayuvatikṛtataraalpāṅge ॥ 6 ॥

*O Mother! You fulfill all the desires of the ones devoted to you. Those who bow down to you do not have to grieve. O Ganga! You are restless to merge with the ocean, just like a young lady anxious to meet her beloved.*

तव चेन्मातः स्रोतः स्नातः पुनरपि जठरे सोऽपि न जातः ।  
नरकनिवारिणि जाह्नवि गङ्गे कलुषविनाशिनि महिमोत्तुङ्गे ॥ ७ ॥  
tava cenmātaḥ strotaḥ snātaḥ punarapī jaṭhare so'pi na jātaḥ ।  
narakanivāriṇi jāhnavi gaṅge kaluṣavināśini mahimottuṅge ॥ 7 ॥

*O Mother! those who bathe in your waters do not have to take birth again. O Jahnavi! You are held in the highest esteem. You destroy your devotee's sins and save them from hell.*

पुनरसदङ्गे पुण्यतरङ्गे जय जय जाह्नवि करुणापाङ्गे ।  
इन्द्रमुकुटमणिराजितचरणे सुखदे शुभदे भृत्यशरण्ये ॥ ८ ॥  
punarasadaṅge puṇyatarāṅge jaya jaya jāhnavi karuṇāpāṅge ।  
indramukuṭamaṇirājitaṅgarāṇe sukhade śubhade bhṛtyaśaraṇye ॥ 8 ॥

*O Jahnavi! You are full of compassion. You purify your devotees with your holy waters. Your feet are adorned with the gems of Indra's crown. Those who seek refuge in you are blessed with happiness.*

रोगं शोकं तापं पापं हर मे भगवति कुमतिकलापम् ।  
त्रिभुवनसारे वसुधाहारे त्वमसि गतिर्मम खलु संसारे ॥ ९ ॥  
rogaṁ śokaṁ tāpaṁ pāpaṁ hara me bhagavati kumatikalāpam ।  
tribhuvanasāre vasudhāhāre tvamasi gatirmama khalu saṁsāre ॥ 9 ॥

*O Bhagavati! Take away my diseases, sorrows, difficulties, sins and wrong attitudes. You are the essence of the three worlds and you are like a necklace around the Earth. O Devi! You alone are my refuge in this Samsara.*

अलकानन्दे परमानन्दे कुरु करुणामयि कातरवन्द्ये ।  
तव तटनिकटे यस्य निवासः खलु वैकुण्ठे तस्य निवासः ॥ १० ॥  
alakānande paramānande kuru karuṇāmayi kataravandye ।  
tava taṭanikaṭe yasya nivāsaḥ khalu vaikunṭhe tasya nivāsaḥ ॥ 10 ॥

*O Ganga! those who seek happiness worship you. You are the source of happiness for Alkapuri and source of eternal bliss. Those who reside on your banks are as privileged as those living in Vaikunta.*

वरमिह नीरे कमठो मीनः किं वा तीरे शरटः क्षीणः ।  
अथवा श्वपचो मलिनो दीनस्तव न हि दूरे नृपतिकुलीनः ॥ ११ ॥  
varamiha nīre kamaṭho mīnaḥ kiṁ vā tīre śaraṭaḥ kṣīṇaḥ ।  
athavā śvapaco malino dīnastava na hi dūre nṛpatikulīnaḥ ॥ 11 ॥

*O Devi ! It is better to live in your waters as turtle or fish, or live on your banks as poor “candal” rather than to live away from you as a wealthy king.*

भो भुवनेश्वरि पुण्ये धन्ये देवि द्रवमयि मुनिवरकन्ये ।  
गङ्गास्तवमिम ममलं नित्यं पठति नरो यः स जयति सत्यम् ॥ १२ ॥  
bho bhuvaneśvari puṇye dhanye devi dravamayi munivarakanye ।  
gaṅgāstavamima mamalaṁ nityaṁ paṭhati naro yaḥ sa jayati satyam ॥ 12 ॥

*O Goddess of Universe! You purify us. O daughter of muni Jahnu! one who recites this Ganga Stotram everyday, definitely achieves success.*

येषां हृदये गङ्गाभक्तिः तेषां भवति सदा सुखमुक्तिः ।  
मधुराकान्ता पञ्चटिकाभिः परमानन्दकलित ललिताभिः ॥ १३ ॥  
yeṣāṁ hrdaye gaṅgābhaktiḥ teṣāṁ bhavati sadā sukhamuktiḥ ।  
madhurākāntā pañchatikābhiḥ paramānandakalita lalitābhiḥ ॥ 13 ॥

*Those who have devotion for Mother Ganga, always get happiness and they attain liberation. This beautiful and lyrical Gangastuti is a source of Supreme bliss.*

गङ्गास्तोत्रमिदं भवसारं वाञ्छितफलदं विमलं सारम् ।  
शङ्करसेवकशङ्कररचितं पठति सुखी स्तव इति च समाप्तः ॥ १४ ॥  
gaṅgāstotramidaṁ bhavasāraṁ vāñchitaphaladaṁ vimalaṁ sāraṁ ।  
śaṅkarasevakaśaṅkararacitaṁ paṭhati sukhi stava iti ca samāptaḥ ॥ 14 ॥

*This Ganga Stotram, written by Sri Adi Shankaracharya, devotee of Lord Shiva, purifies us and fulfills all our desires*

जय जय गङ्गे जय हर गङ्गे  
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jaya jaya gaṅge jaya hara gaṅge  
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jaya jaya gaṅge jaya hara gaṅge  
jaya jaya gaṅge jaya hara gaṅge .....(2 times)

*Victory to Ganga! Victory to Shiva!  
Victory to Ganga! Victory to Shiva!*