ನರಸಿಂಹಕವಚಮ್

{॥ ನರಸಿಂಹಕವಚಮ್ ॥} ॥ ಅಥ ಶ್ರೀ ನೃಸಿಂಹಕವಚಸ್ತೋತ್ರಮ್ ॥ ನೃಸಿಂಹಕವಚಂ ವಕ್ಷ್ಯೀ ಪ್ರಹ್ಲಾದೇನೋದಿತಂ ಪುರಾ । ಸರ್ವರಕ್ಷಾಕರಂ ಪುಣ್ಯಂ ಸರ್ವೋಪದ್ರವನಾಶನಮ್ ॥ ೧॥

I shall now recite the Narasinha-kavacha, formerly spoken by PrahlAda MahArAja . It is most pious, vanquishes all kinds of impediments, and provides one all protection . ಸರ್ವ ಸಮ್ಪತ್ಕರಂ ಚೈವ ಸ್ವರ್ಗಮೋಕ್ಷಪ್ರದಾಯಕಮ್ । ಧ್ಯಾತ್ವಾ ನೃಸಿಂಹಂ ದೇವೇಶಂ ಹೇಮಸಿಂಹಾಸನಸ್ಥಿತಮ್ ॥ ೨॥

It bestows upon one all opulences and can give one elevation to the heavenly planets or liberation . One should meditate on Lord Narasinha, Lord of the universe, seated upon a golden throne .

ವಿವೃತಾಸ್ಯಂ ತ್ರಿನಯನಂ ಶರದಿನ್ದುಸಮಪ್ರಭಮ್ । ಲಕ್ಪ್ರ್ಯ್ಯಾಲಿಜ್ಗಿತವಾಮಾಜ್ಗಂ ವಿಭೂತಿಭಿರುಪಾಶ್ರಿತಮ್ ॥ ೩ ॥

His mouth is wide open, He has three eyes, and He is as radiant as the autumn moon. He is embraced by LakShmldevI on his left side, and His form is the shelter of all opulences, both material and spiritual.

ಚತುರ್ಭುಜಂ ಕೋಮಲಾಜ್ಗಂ ಸ್ವರ್ಣಕುಣ್ಡಲಶೋಭಿತಮ್ । ಸರೋಜಶೋಭಿತೋರಸ್ಕಂ ರತ್ನಕೇಯೂರಮುದ್ರಿತಮ್ ॥ ೪ ॥ var ರತ್ನಕೇಯೂರಶೋಭಿತಮ್ The Lord has four arms, and His limbs are very soft. He is decorated with golden earrings. His chest is resplendent like the lotus flower, and His arms are decorated with jewel-studded ornaments.

ತಪ್ತಕಾಞ್ವನಸಂಕಾಶಂ ಪೀತನಿರ್ಮಲವಾಸಸಮ್ । ಇನ್ನ್ರಾದಿಸುರಮೌಲಿಸ್ಥಸ್ಫುರನ್ಮಾಣಿಕ್ಯದೀಪ್ತಿಭಿಃ ॥ अ॥

He is dressed in a spotless yellow garment, which exactly resembles molten gold. He is the original cause of existence, beyond the mundane sphere, for the great demigods headed by Indra. He appears bedecked with rubies which are blazingly effulgent.

ವಿರಾಜಿತಪದದ್ವನ್ದ್ವಂ ಶಙ್ಖಚಕ್ರಾದಿ ಹೇತಿಭಿಃ । ಗರುತ್ಮ ತಾ ಚ ವಿನಯಾತ್ ಸ್ತೂಯಮಾನಂ ಮುದಾನ್ವಿತಮ್ ॥ ೬ ॥ var ಸವಿನಯಂ

His two feet are very attractive, and He is armed with various weapons such as the conch, disc, etc. GaruDa joyfully offers prayers with great reverence.

ಸ್ವಹೃತ್ಕಮಲಸಂವಾಸಂ ಕೃತ್ವಾ ತು ಕವಚಂ ಪಠೀತ್ । ನೃಸಿಂಹೋ ಮೇ ಶಿರಃ ಪಾತು ಲೋಕರಕ್ಪಾರ್ಥಸಮ್ಭವಃ ॥ ೭॥ var ಆತ್ಮ ಸಮ್ಭವಃ

Having seated Lord Narasinhadeva upon the lotus of one's heart, one should recite the following mantra: May Lord Narasinha, who protects all the planetary systems, protect my head.

ಸರ್ವಗೋಽಪಿ ಸ್ತಮ್ಭವಾಸಃ ಫಾಲಂ ಮೇ ರಕ್ಷತು ಧ್ವನಿಮ್ । ನೃಸಿಂಹೋ ಮೇ ದೃಶೌ ಪಾತು ಸೋಮಸೂರ್ಯಾಗ್ನಿಲೋಚನಃ ॥೮॥ Although the Lord is all-pervading, He hid Himself within a pillar . May He protect my speech and the results of my activities . May Lord Narasinha, whose eyes are the sun, and fire, protect my eyes . ಸ್ಮೃತಿಂ ಮೇ ಪಾತು ನೃಹರಿರ್ಮನಿವರ್ಯಸ್ತುತಿಪ್ರಿಯಃ । ನಾಸಂ ಮೇ ಸಿಂಹನಾಸಸ್ತು ಮುಖಂ ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀಮುಖಪ್ರಿಯಃ ॥ ೯ ॥

May Lord Nrihari, who is pleased by the prayers offered by the best of sages, protect my memory. May He who has the nose of a lion protect my nose, and may He whose face is very dear to the goddess of fortune protect my mouth.

ಸರ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಧಿಪಃ ಪಾತು ನೃಸಿಂಹೋ ರಸನಾಂ ಮಮ । ವಕ್ತ್ರಂ ಪಾತ್ವಿನ್ದುವದನಂ ಸದಾ ಪ್ರಹ್ಲಾದವನ್ದಿತಃ ॥೧೦॥

May Lord Narasinha, who is the knower of all sciences, protect my sense of taste . May He whose face is beautiful as the full moon and who is offered prayers by PrahlAda MahArAja protect my face . ನೈಸಿಂಹಃ ಪಾತು ಮೇ ಕಣ್ಯಂ ಸ್ಕನ್ಧ್ ಭೂಭರಾನ್ತಕೃತ್ । ದಿವ್ಯಾಸ್ತ್ರಶೋಭಿತಭುಜೋ ನೈಸಿಂಹಃ ಪಾತು ಮೇ ಭುಜೌ ॥ ೧೧॥

May Lord Narasinha protect my throat. He is the sustainer of the earth and the performer of unlimitedly wonderful activities. May He protect my shoulders. His arms are resplendent with transcendental weapons. May He protect my shoulders.

ಕರೌ ಮೇ ದೇವವರದೋ ನೃಸಿಂಹಃ ಪಾತು ಸರ್ವತಃ । var ಪಾತು ಸರ್ವದಾ ಹೃದಯಂ ಯೋಗಿಸಾಧ್ಯಶ್ವ ನಿವಾಸಂ ಪಾತು ಮೇ ಹರೀ ॥ ೧೨॥ var ಹೃದದಂ May the Lord, who bestows benedictions upon the demigods, protect my hands, and may He protect me from all sides. May He who is achieved by the perfect yogls protect my heart, and may Lord Hari protect my dwelling place.

ಮಧ್ಯಂ ಪಾತು ಹಿರಣ್ಯಾಕ್ಷವಕ್ಷಃಕುಕ್ಷಿವಿದಾರಣಃ । ನಾಭಿಂ ಮೇ ಪಾತು ನೃಹರೀ ಸ್ವನಾಭಿ ಬ್ರಹ್ಮ ಸಂಸ್ತುತಃ ॥ ೧೩ ॥

May He who ripped apart the chest and abdomen of the great demon HiraNyAkSha protect my waist, and may Lord Nrihari protect my navel . He is offered prayers by Lord BrahmA, who has sprung from his own navel .

ಬ್ರಹ್ಮಾ ಣ್ಡಕೋಟಯಃ ಕಟ್ಯಾಂ ಯಸ್ಯಾಸೌ ಪಾತು ಮೇ ಕಟಿಮ್ । ಗುಹ್ಯಂ ಮೇ ಪಾತು ಗುಹ್ಯಾನಾಂ ಮನ್ತ್ರಾ ಣಾಂ ಗುಹ್ಯರೂಪದೈಕ್ ॥ ೧೪॥

May He on whose hips rest all the universes protect my hips. May the Lord protect my private parts. He is the knower of all mantras and all mysteries, but He Himself is not visible.

ಊರೂ ಮನೋಭವಃ ಪಾತು ಜಾನುನೀ ನರರೂಪಧೃಕ್ । ಜಪ್ಘೇ ಪಾತು ಧರಾಭಾರಹರ್ತಾ ಯೋಽಸೌ ನೃಕೇಸರೀ ॥ ೧೫॥

May He who is the original Cupid protect my thighs. May He who exhibits a human-like form protect my knees. May the remover of the burden of the earth, who appears in a form which is half-man and half-lion, protect my calves.

ಸುರರಾಜ್ಯಪ್ರದಃ ಪಾತು ಪಾದೌ ಮೇ ನೃಹರೀಶ್ವರಃ । ಸಹಸ್ರಶೀರ್ಷಾ ಪುರುಷಃ ಪಾತು ಮೇ ಸರ್ವಶಸ್ತನುಮ್ ॥ ೧೬॥ May the bestower of heavenly opulence protect my feet. He is the Supreme Controller in the form of a man and lion combined. May the thousand-headed Supreme enjoyer protect my body from all sides and in all respects.

ಮಹೋಗ್ರಃ ಪೂರ್ವತಃ ಪಾತು ಮಹಾವೀರಾಗ್ರಜೋಽಗ್ನಿತಃ। ಮಹಾವಿಷ್ಣುರ್ದಕ್ಷಿಣೇ ತು ಮಹಾಜ್ವಾಲಸ್ತು ನೈರೃತೌ ॥೧೭॥

May that most ferocious personality protect me from the east. May He who is superior to the greatest heroes protect me from the southeast, which is presided over by Agni. May the Supreme Visnu protect me from the south, and may that person of blazing luster protect me from the southwest.

ಪಶ್ಚಿಮೇ ಪಾತು ಸರ್ವೇಶೋ ದಿಶಿ ಮೇ ಸರ್ವತೋಮುಖಃ । ನೃಸಿಂಹಃ ಪಾತು ವಾಯವ್ಯಾಂ ಸೌಮ್ಯಾಂ ಭೂಷಣವಿಗ್ರಹಃ ॥ ೧೮॥

May the Lord of everything protect me from the west . His faces are everywhere, so please may He protect me from this direction . May Lord Narasinha protect me from the northwest, which is predominated by VAyu, and may He whose form is in itself the supreme ornament protect me from the north, where Soma resides .

ಈಶಾನ್ಯಾಂ ಪಾತು ಭದ್ರೋ ಮೇ ಸರ್ವಮಙ್ಗಲದಾಯಕಃ । var ಈಶಾನ್ಯೇ ಸಂಸಾರಭಯತಃ ಪಾತು ಮೃತ್ಯೋರ್ಮೃತ್ಯುರ್ನೃಕೇಸರೀ ॥ ೧೯॥

May the all-auspicious Lord, who Himself bestows
all-auspiciousness, protect from the northeast, the direction of the
sun-god, and may He who is death personified protect me from fear of

death and rotation in this material world.

ಇದಂ ನೃಸಿಂಹಕವಚಂ ಪ್ರಹ್ಲಾದಮುಖಮಣ್ಣಿತಮ್ । ಭಕ್ತಿಮಾನ್ ಯಃ ಪಠೇನ್ನಿತ್ಯಂ ಸರ್ವಪಾಪೈಃ ಪ್ರಮುಚ್ಯತೇ ॥ ೨೦॥ var ಸರ್ವಪಾಪಾತ್

This Narasinha-kavacha has been ornamented by issuing from the mouth of PrahlAda MahArAja. A devotee who reads this becomes freed from all sins.

ಪುತ್ರವಾನ್ ಧನವಾನ್ ಲೋಕೇ ದೀರ್ಘಾಯುರುಪಜಾಯತೇ । ಯಂ ಯಂ ಕಾಮಯತೇ ಕಾಮಂ ತಂ ತಂ ಪ್ರಾಪ್ನೋತ್ಯಸಂಶಯಮ್ ॥ ೨೧॥ var ಕಾಮಾನ್

Whatever one desires in this world he can attain without doubt . One can have wealth, many sons, and a long life .

ಸರ್ವತ್ರ ಜಯಮಾಪ್ನೋತಿ ಸರ್ವತ್ರ ವಿಜಯೀ ಭವೇತ್ । ಭೂಮ್ಯನ್ತರೀಕ್ಷದಿವ್ಯಾನಾಂ ಗ್ರಹಾಣಾಂ ವಿನಿವಾರಣಮ್ ॥ ೨೨॥

He becomes victorious who desires victory, and indeed becomes a conqueror . He wards off the influence of all planets, earthly, heavenly, and everything in between .

ವೃಶ್ಚಿಕೋರಗಸಮ್ಭೂತ ವಿಷಾಪಹರಣಂ ಪರಮ್ । ಬ್ರಹ್ಮ ರಾಕ್ಷ ಸಯಕ್ಷಾಣಾಂ ದೂರೋತ್ಸಾ ರಣಕಾರಣಮ್ ॥ ೨೩॥

This is the supreme remedy for the poisonous effects of serpents and scorpions, and Brahma-rAkShasa ghosts and YakShas are driven away.

ಭೂರ್ಜೀ ವಾ ತಾಲಪಾತ್ರೇ ವಾ ಕವಚಂ ಲಿಖಿತಂ ಶುಭಮ್ । ಕರಮೂಲೇ ಧೃತಂ ಯೇನ ಸಿಧ್ಯೇಯುಃ ಕರ್ಮಸಿದ್ದಯಃ ॥ ೨೪॥ var ತಸ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಣಿ One may write this most auspicious prayer on his arm, or inscribe it on a palm-leaf and attach it to his wrist, and all his activities will become perfect.

ದೇವಾಸುರಮನುಷ್ಯೇಷು ಸ್ವಂ ಸ್ವಮೀವ ಜಯಂ ಲಭೀತ್ । ಏಕಸನ್ಧ್ಯಂ ತ್ರಿಸನ್ಧ್ಯಂ ವಾ ಯಃ ಪಠೇನ್ನಿಯತೋ ನರಃ ॥ ೨೫॥

One who regularly chants this prayer, whether once or thrice (daily), he becomes victorious whether among demigods, demons, or human beings.

ಸರ್ವಮಙ್ಗಲಮಾಜ್ಗಲ್ಯಂ ಭುಕ್ತಿಂ ಮುಕ್ತಿಂ ಚ ವಿನ್ದತಿ । ದ್ವಾತ್ರಿಂಶತಿಸಹಸ್ರಾಣಿ ಪಠೇತ್ ಶುದ್ದಾತ್ಮ ನಾಂ ನೃಣಾಮ್ ॥ ೨೬॥

var ಯಃ ಪಠೇತ್ ಶುದ್ದಮಾನಸಃ ॥

One who with purified heart recites this prayer 32,000 times attains the most auspicious of all auspicious things, and material enjoyment and liberation are already understood to be available to such a person.

ಕವಚಸ್ಯಾಸ್ಯ ಮನ್ತ್ರಸ್ಯ ಮನ್ತ್ರಸಿದ್ಧಿಃ ಪ್ರಜಾಯತೇ । ಆನೇನ ಮನ್ತ್ರರಾಜೇನ ಕೃತ್ವಾ ಭಸ್ಮಾಭಿಮನ್ತ್ರಣಮ್ ॥ ೨೭॥

This Kavacha-mantra is the king of all mantras. One attains by it what would be attained by anointing oneself with ashes and chanting all other mantras.

ತಿಲಕಂ ವಿನ್ಯಸೇದ್ಯಸ್ತು ತಸ್ಯ ಗ್ರಹಭಯಂ ಹರೇತ್ । ತ್ರಿವಾರಂ ಜಪಮಾನಸ್ತು ದತ್ತಂ ವಾರ್ಯಭಿಮನ್ವ್ಯ ಚ ॥ ೨೮॥

var ವಾರಿಭ್ಯ ಮನ್ತ್ಯ ಚ ॥

Having marked ones body with tilaka, taking Achamana with water, and reciting this mantra three times, one will find that the fear of all inauspicious planets is removed.

ಪ್ರಾಶಯೇದ್ಯೋ ನರೋ ಮನ್ತ್ರಂ ನೃಸಿಂಹಧ್ಯಾನಮಾಚರೇತ್ । ತಸ್ಯ ರೋಗಾಃ ಪ್ರಣಶ್ಯನ್ತಿ ಯೇ ಚ ಸ್ಯುಃ ಕುಕ್ಷಿಸಮ್ಬವಾಃ ॥ ೨೯ ॥

That person who recites this mantra, meditating upon Lord

Narasinhadeva, has all of his diseases vanquished, including those of
the abdomen.

ಕಿಮತ್ರ ಬಹುನೋಕ್ತೇನ ನೃಸಿಂಹಸದೃಶೋ ಭವೇತ್ । ಮನಸಾ ಚಿನ್ತಿತಂ ಯತ್ತು ಸ ತಚ್ಚಾಪ್ನೋತ್ಯಸಂಶಯಮ್ ॥ ೩೦॥

Why should more be said? One acquires qualitative oneness with Narasimha himself. There is no doubt that the desires in the mind of one who meditates will be granted.

ಗರ್ಜನ್ತಂ ಗರ್ಜಯನ್ತಂ ನಿಜಭುಜಪಟಲಂ ಸ್ಫೋಟಯನ್ತಂ ಹಠನ್ತಂ ರೂಪ್ಯನ್ತಂ ತಾಪಯನ್ತಂ ದಿವಿ ಭುವಿ ದಿತಿಜಂ ಕ್ಷೇಪಯನ್ತಂ ಕ್ಷಿಪನ್ತಮ್ । var ಕ್ಷೋಭಯನ್ತಂ ಕ್ಷಿಪನ್ತಮ್ । ಕ್ರೆನ್ನನ್ತಂ ರೋಷಯನ್ತಂ ದಿಶಿ ದಿಶಿ ಸತತಂ ಸಂಹರನ್ತಂ ಭರನ್ತಂ var ಭ್ರಮನ್ತಂ ವೀಕ್ಷನ್ತಂ ಘೂರ್ಣಯನ್ತಂ ಶರನಿಕರಶತೈರ್ದಿವ್ಯಸಿಂಹಂ ನಮಾಮಿ ॥ ೩೧॥ var ಕರನಿಕರ

Lord Narasinha roars loudly and causes others to roar. With His mulitudes of arms He tears the demons asunder and kills them in this way. He is always seeking out and tormenting the demonic descendants

of Diti, both on this earth planet and in the higher planets, and Hs throws them down and scatters them . He shouts with great anger as He destroys the demons in all directions, yet with His unlimited hands He sustains, protects, and nourishes the cosmic manifestation . I offer my respectful obeisances to the Lord, who has assumed the form of a transcendental lion .

॥ ಇತಿ ಶ್ರೀಬ್ರಹ್ಮಾಣ್ಡಪುರಾಣೀ ಪ್ರಹ್ಲಾದೋಕ್ತಂ ಶ್ರೀನೃಸಿಂಹಕವಚಂ ಸಮ್ಪೂರ್ಣಮ್ ॥

Thus ends the Narasinha-kavacha as it is described by PrahlAda

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