

महालक्ष्म्यष्टकम्

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 ।
 मन्त्रपूते सदा देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥४
 आद्यन्तरहिते देवि आद्यशक्तिमहेश्वरि ।
 योगजे योगसम्भूते महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥५
 स्थूलसूक्ष्ममहारौद्रे महाशक्तिमहोदरे ।
 महापापहरे देवि महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥६
 पद्मासनस्थिते देवि परब्रह्मस्वरूपिणि ।
 परमेशि जगन्मातर्महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥७
 श्वेताम्बरधरे देवि नानालङ्कारभूषिते ।
 जगत्स्थिते जगन्मातर्महालक्ष्मि नमोऽस्तु ते ॥८
 महालक्ष्म्यष्टकं स्तोत्रं यः पठेद्भक्तिमान्नरः ।
 सर्वसिद्धिमवाप्नोति राज्यं प्राप्नोति सर्वदा ॥९
 एककाले पठेन्नित्यं महापापविनाशनम् ।
 द्विकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं धनधान्यसमन्वितः ॥१०

Mahālakṣmyaṣṭakam

O Mahālakṣmī, Who is Mahāmāyā (primordial cause of this illusionary world), Who bestows the worldly luxuries, Who is honored by the demi-gods, and Who holds a conch-shell, a mace and a discus (*cakra*) in hand! Salutations to You. O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who is seated on Garuḍa, Who is frightening for the Kola tribe demons, and Who absolves all the sins! Salutations to You.[1—2]

O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who knows everything, Who bestows all the boons, Who is causes tremor among the evil, and Who absolves every grief! Salutations to You. O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who bestows complete attainment (*siddhi*) and wisdom, Who bestows salvation and luxuries in our life, and Who is pure like *mantra* (chant)! Salutations to You.[3—4]

O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who is without a beginning or an end, Who is the initial power from which the world started¹, Who is the Great Goddess, Who is born out of *yoga* or meditation, and Who is brought together by the means of *yoga*! Salutations to You. O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who is pervading huge or small things as Mahārudrā, Who is abode of strength and Who has a giant belly (storing the universe), and Who absolves the greatest of sins! Salutations to You.[5—6]

O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who is situated on a lotus-seat, Whose true form is that of the Supreme Spirit (*Brahman*), Who is the supreme Goddess, and Who is the mother of the world! Salutations to You. O Goddess Mahālakṣmī, Who has a white apparel, Who is decorated with beautiful ornaments, Who is the state of the universe, and Who is the mother of the world! Salutations to You.[7—8]

That devotion-possessing man who studies this this Mahālakṣmī eulogy, he obtains all the attainments and a kingdom for all times.[9]

By reading this Eulogy once a day, one destroys the biggest sins. By reading this Eulogy twice a day, one achieves wealth as well. By reading this Eulogy thrice a day, one wins over the biggest of enemies. Also, Mahālakṣmī, Who bestows boons, Who is auspicious, becomes eternally happy [with the person].[10—11]

त्रिकालं यः पठेन्नित्यं महाशत्रुविनाशनम् ।
महालक्ष्मिर्भवेन्नित्यं प्रसन्ना वरदा शुभा ॥ ११

Notes:

¹This description of Mahālakṣmī is present in Devīpurāṇa. There is no inconsistency with notions of Viṣṇu or Śiva being the initial formless-power in other texts, since everything is related back to the quality-less (formless) power which manifests as this world. We all choose to call that power with different names, viz., Viṣṇu, Siva, Kṛṣṇa, Mahālakṣmī, Gaṇesa, and so on.

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