
Totakashtakam on Shri Jayendra Saraswathi Swamiji

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ವಿದಿತಾಖಿಲ ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರಸುಧಾಜಲಧೇ
ಕಥಿತಾಖಿಲ ವೇದ ಪುರಾಣಮತೇ .
ಹೃದಯೇ ಕಲಯೇ ಶಿವದಂ ಚರಣಂ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (1)

Ocean of all known Sastras, master of all Vedas and Puranas
expounded, I meditate in my heart on your auspicious Feet.

O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (1)

ಯುವವತ್ಸರಭೂತ ಯತೀಂದ್ರವಿಭೋ
ತಮನಾಶಕಜಾತ ಜಯೇಂದ್ರಗುರೋ .
ಜನಿಮೋಹನಿರಾಸನ ದಕ್ಷನಿಧೇ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (2)

O Supreme among Sanyasis, who appeared on earth in 'Yuva' year

O Shri Jayendra Guru, you are born to eradicate darkness

(of ignorance); O Treasure of mastery in destruction of delusion
of people, O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (2)

ಭಗವದ್ಗುರು ಶಂಕರ ಏವ ಭವಾನ್
ಜನಪಾಪನಿರಾಸನ ಲೋಕಗುರೋ .
ಪರಿಪಾಲಯ ದೀನಮಿಮಂ ಕೃಪಯಾ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (3)

O Guru of the entire world, you are none other than Sankara

Bhagavatpada Guru; you destroy the sins of people. Please

protect this poor me out of compassion. O Shri Jayendra Guru,
give me refuge. (3)

ವಿವಿಧಾಗಮದರ್ಶನರಕ್ಷ ಗುರೋ
ಬಹುಧಾ ಶ್ರುತಿ ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರ ಪ್ರಚಾರಕ ತೇ .
ಪರತತ್ತ್ವ ವಿಚಾರಣ ಚಾರುಮತೇ

ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (4)

O Guru, you are the protector of the various Agamas and philosophies and the propagator of Vedas and Sastras through many ways. You are the master of exquisite analysis of the Supreme Principle. O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (4)

ವಿಜಿತಾಖಿಲ ಶತ್ರುಸಮೂಹ ಯತೇ
ಕರುಣಾಮೃತಪೂರಿತ ವೀಕ್ಷ ಗುರೋ .
ವರದಾಭಯ ದರ್ಶಕ ಪದ್ಮ ಕರೇ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (5)

O Guru, you are the Sanyasi who wins over all the multitudes of enemies by your mere look exuding the nectar of compassion. You show with your lotus hands the gestures of boon and freedom from fear. O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (5)

ಗುರು ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ ಪಾದ ನತೇ
ಗುರುಮಾರ್ಗ ಜನಾವನ ಕಾರ್ಯರತೇ .
ನಿಜ ಮಾನಸ ತತ್ತ್ವ ಸುಧಾ ರಮತೇ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (6)

You worship the feet of Guru Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi. You are ever engaged in activities of protecting the people following the path of the Guru. You are immersed in the bliss of nectar of Brahman in which your own mind abides. O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (6)

ವರಶಂಕರ ಪೀಠ ವಿಭೂಷಕ ತೇ
ಗುಣ ನಿರ್ಜಿತ ಗೋದ್ವಿಜ ಭೂಮಿಪತೇ .
ವರಶಂಕರ ವಿಜಯ ಸುತೀರ್ಥ ಗುರೋ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (7)

You are an ornament to the seat (Peetham) of the great Sankaracharya. By your virtues you have conquered the earth and specially the cows and brahmanas. (Cows and brahmanas are the prime instrument of yagnas, which please Devas and enable the advent of rain and prosperity to all people). You are the Guru of the exalted Shri Sankara Vijayendra Saraswathi. O

Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge. (7)

ಶಿವ ಪಾವನಪೂಜನಲೀನ ಮತೇ
ಲಲಿತಾ ಪರದೇವಿಸ್ವರೂಪ ಗುರೋ .
ಪ್ರವಿವೇಕ ವಿರಾಗ ವಿಶೋಕಪ್ರದಂ
ಜಯ ಇಂದ್ರ ದೇಶಿಕ ಮೇ ಶರಣಂ .. (8)

O Guru, you are keen in performing the sacred and purifying
Pooja of Siva. You are the very incarnation of Supreme Devi
Shri Lalita. O Shri Jayendra Guru, give me refuge, which grants
discrimination, dispassion and freedom from grief. (8)

ಶ್ರೀತೋಟಕಾಷ್ಟಕಂ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠಂ ರವಿನಾ ದಭ್ರಬುದ್ಧಿನಾ .
ಶ್ರೀಜಯೇಂದ್ರಗುರುಪ್ರೀತ್ಯೈ ರಚಿತೋಽಯಂ ಗುಣಾಂಜಲಿಃ .. (9)


May this great Totakashtakam, an offering on virtues, by Ravi
of little intellect, be pleasing to Shri Jayendra Guru. (9)

ಇತಿ ಶ್ರೀಜಯೇಂದ್ರಗುರುತೋಟಕಾಷ್ಟಕಂ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣಂ .


The word toTaka relates to the verse metre,

and means (one of different meanings) a metre of 4x12 syllables.

This is not related to totAkAchArya, a disciple of Adi Shankaracharya.

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