

INVOCATION

वन्दे गुरुणां चरणारविन्दे

vande gurūṇāṃ caraṇāravinde

सन्दर्शित स्वात्म सुखाव बोधे ।

sandarśita svātma sukhāva bodhe

निःश्रेयसे जाङ्गलिकायमाने

niḥśreyase jāṅgalikāyamāne

संसार हालाहल मोह शान्त्यै ॥

saṃsāra hālāhala moha śāntyai

I bow to the two lotus feet of the (plurality of) Gurus, which awaken insight into the happiness of pure Being, which are the complete absorption into joy, the jungle physician, eliminating the delusion caused by the poison of Saṃsāra (conditioned existence).

आबाहु पुरुषाकारं

ābāhu puruṣākāraṃ

शन्ख चक्रासि धारिणम् ।

śankha cakrāsi dhāriṇam

सहस्र शिरसं श्वेतं

sahasra śirasam śvetam

प्रणमामि पतञ्जलिम् ॥

praṇamāmi patañjalim

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I prostrate before the sage Patañjali who has thousands of radiant, white heads (as the divine serpent, Ananta) and who has, as far as his arms, assumed a human form, holding a conch shell (divine sound), a wheel (a discus of light or time) and a sword (discrimination).

Om

Closing Prayer

स्वस्ति प्रजाभ्यः परिपालयन्ता

svasti prajābhyah paripālayantām

न्यायेन मार्गेण महीं महीशाः ।

nyāyena mārgēṇa mahīm mahīśāḥ ।

गोब्राह्मणेभ्यः शुभमस्तु नित्यं

gobrāhmaṇebhyaḥ śubhamastu nityam

लोकासमस्ता सुखिनो भवन्तु ॥

lokāsamastā sukhino bhavantu ॥

काले वर्षतु पर्जन्यः पृथिवी सस्यशालिनी ।

kāle varṣatu parjanyaḥ pṛthivī sasyaśālinī ।

देशोयं क्षोभरहितो ब्राह्मणा संतु निर्भयाः ॥

deśoyam kṣobharahito brāhmaṇā santu nirbhayāḥ ॥

May all of humankind be happy and well.

May the great noble lords protect the earth in every way by the path of just virtue.

May there be perpetual joy for those who know the real nature of things.

May all the worlds be happy.

May the rains fall on time, and may the earth yield its produce in abundance.

May this country be free from disturbances, and may the knowers of the truth be free from fear.