



Brahma and other gods worship, you with the  
conch in your hand, whose divine hand is well  
adorned with the Sudarshana discus, you ocean of  
mercy, the refuge of all, embodiment of purity,  
give me the support of your hand. 2.}

वेदास्त-वेद्य भवसागर-कर्णधार

श्रीपद्मनाभ कमलाङ्कितपादपद्म ।

लोकैक-पावन पराङ्पर पापहारिन्

श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ ७ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, who are to be comprehended  
from the Upanishads, who are the pilot for all to  
cross the ocean of worldly life, O Shri Padmanabha  
whose lotus-like feet Laxmi worships, who alone  
make the world a holy place, O you Vishnu who  
remove all sins, give me the support of your hand. 3.}

लक्ष्मीपते निगमलक्ष्य निजस्वरूप

कामादिदोष परिहारक बोधदायिन् ।

दैत्यादिमर्दन जनार्दन वासुदेव

श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ ८ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, husband of Laxmi, whose innate

nature is the theme of the Vedas, you who impart  
self-realization that takes away lust and other evils,  
who put down the Asuras and others of ill intent,  
O Janardana, Vasudeva, give me the support of your hand. 4.}

তাপত্রয়ং হর বিভো রভসা মুরারে  
সংরক্ষ মাং করুণয়া সরসীরুহাঙ্ক ।  
মচ্ছিম্যমিত্যনুদিনং পরিরক্ষ বিম্বো  
শ্রী বেঙ্কটেশ মম দেহি করাবলম্বম্ ॥ ৫ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, rid me fast of the three  
miseries (of spiritual, material, and supernatural  
origin) that afflict man, all-powerful Murare, in  
your compassion, you with eyes like the lotus,  
protect me; and, O Vishnu, considering me your  
disciple, protect me every day; and give me  
the support of your hand. 5.}

শ্রী জাতরূপনবরত্ন লসৎকরীট-  
কঙ্কুরিকাতিলকশোভিললাটদেশ ।  
রাকেন্দুবিশ্ব বদনাম্বুজ বারিজাঙ্ক  
শ্রী বেঙ্কটেশ মম দেহি করাবলম্বম্ ॥ ৬ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, with the golden crown

glittering with the nine kinds of gems, with  
your forehead adorned with the marking done  
with the musk, you with the lotus-like face  
resembling the moon at the full and eyes  
like the lotus, give me the support of your hand. 6.}

बन्दारुलोक-वरदान-बछोबिलास  
रत्नाद्यहार परिशोभित कश्चुर्कठ ।  
केयूररत्न सुविभासि-दिगन्तराल  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ १॥

O Shri Venkatesha, whose gracious words bestow  
the boons sought by the crowd praising your glories,  
whose conch-like neck is adorned with a necklace  
studded with precious stones, the bright gems on  
whose shoulder ornament illumine the horizons of  
the compass, give me the support of your hand. 7.}

दिव्याङ्गदाङ्कित भुजद्वय मङ्गलात्तुन्  
केयूरभूषण सुशोभित दीर्घबाहो ।  
नागेन्द्र-कङ्कण करद्वय कामदायिन्  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ ८॥

O Shri Venkatesha, you who have your upper

arms bedecked with bracelets, who are the spirit of  
auspiciousness, who are adorned with shoulder ornaments,  
who have the lords of the serpents for wristbands on  
both your hands, who give (your devotees) all they  
desire, give me the support of your hand. 8.}

स्वामिन् जगद्धरणवारिधिमध्यमग्न  
मामुद्धारय कृपया करुणापयोधे ।  
लक्ष्मींश्च देहि मम धर्म समृद्धिहेतुं  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ ९ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, Lord, who support the  
universe, ocean of compassion, I  
pray, in your mercy, lift me up who am sunk in  
the middle of the sea (of mundane pursuits);  
also bestow on me the auspicious outlook which  
is the basis for the accumulation of spiritual  
merit, and give me the support of your hand. 9.}

दिव्याङ्गरागपरिचर्चित कोमलाङ्ग  
पीताम्बरवृततनो तरुणार्क भास  
सत्यांश्च नाभ परिधान सुपत्न्यु बन्ध  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ १० ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, whose handsome body is smeared  
with a heavenly (coloring) powder and is covered with  
a yellow cloth, whose brightness is like that of the  
morning sun, who have Brahma (the Creator) in your navel,  
and whose waist is tied with a cloth, give me the  
support of your hand. 10.}

रत्नाढ्यदाम सुनिबद्ध-कटि-प्रदेश  
माणिक्यदर्पण सुसन्निभ जानुदेश ।  
जङ्घाद्वयेन परिमोहित सर्वलोक  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ ११ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, who have your waist well-secured  
with a band studded with gems, whose knees resemble mirrors  
wrought of the ruby, who captivate the entire world by (the  
beauty of) your feet, give me the support of your hand. 12.}

लोकैकपावन-सरिङ्परिशोभिताङ्घ्र  
तृणपाददर्शन दिने च ममाघमीश ।  
हार्दङ् तमश्च सकलङ् लयमाप भूमन्  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ १२ ॥

O Shri Venkatesha, whose feet are lustrous with  
the river (Ganga) that purifies the universe, the

day I had sight of your feet, my sins and the  
(spiritual) darkness in my heart were all  
dissolved away, O sovereign Lord; give me the  
support of your hand. 12.}

कामादि-वैरि-निवहोक्ष्यत मे प्रयातः  
दारिद्र्यमप्यपगतं सकलं दयालो ।  
दीनं च मां समवलोक्य दयार्द्रं दृष्ट्या  
श्री वेङ्कटेश मम देहि करबलम् ॥ १७॥

O Shri Venkatesha, when you looked me over  
while I was in distress, with eyes full of  
compassion, all the enemies (to spiritual progress),  
lust, and other evil passions departed from me,  
and, merciful One, all my poverty vanished; give  
me the support of your hand. 13.}

श्री वेङ्कटेश पदपङ्कज षट्पदेन  
श्रीमन्नसिंह्यतिना रचितं जगत्याम् ।  
ये तंपठन्ति मनुजाः पुरुषोत्तमस्य  
ते प्राप्नुवन्ति परमां पदवीं मुरारेः ॥ १४ ॥

These verses were composed by the sannyasin Shriman  
Nrisinha, who was like a honey-bee hovering over the lotus

feet of Shri Venkatesha. Those mortals who recite them  
will attain to the supreme world of Visnu. 14.}

॥ इति श्री शृङ्गेरि जगद्गुरुणा श्री नृसिंह भारति

स्वामिना रचितं श्री वेङ्कटेश कराबलम् स्तोत्रं सम्पूर्णम् ॥

Thus is complete the Shri Venkatesha  
Karavalamba Stotram composed by Shri  
Nrisinha Bharati Svami, the Jagadguru of Sringeri.}

Note: Among the 36 Jagadgurus, starting with Adi Shankaracharya,  
who have adorned the Shringeri Muth since it was  
founded twelve centuries ago, eight have had the name  
Nrisinha (Narasinha) Bharati. We do not know which  
of the eight is the author of this beautiful hymn.}

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