দুর্গান্তৃতী দেবীমাহাত্ম্যকথসাররূপা

{॥ দুর্গাস্তুতী দেবীমাহাত্ম্যকথসাররূপা ॥}
কল্পান্তে মধুকৈটভাসুরপরাভূতস্য ধাতৃঃ স্তবৈঃ
প্রীতা পঙ্কজলোচনস্য নযনান্নির্গত্য নিদ্রামযী।
তৌ যুদ্ধে পরিমোহ্য ঘাতিতবতী তেনৈব বিশ্বেশ্বরী
রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১॥

Being pleased by the praises sung by Brahma who was troubled by the asuras Madhu and Kaitabha at the end of a kalpa, She, the supreme Devi, supporter of the worlds, emerged out of MahaVishnu's eyes, who was in mystic slumber. Deluded by Mahamaya, the evil asuras, Madhu and Kaitabha, were then slayed by MahaVishnu. Let Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.
বৈলোক্যে মহিষাসুরপ্রমথিতে সম্ভূয সংচিন্ততাং দেবানামপি সা বিনির্মিতবপুস্তৈর্দভভূষাযুধা।
উচ্চৈন্দিযুতের্মহাসুরবলৈরার শ্বযুদ্খেৎসবা রোদ্খ্ং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্টেব দুর্গায়তাম্॥ ২॥

When Mahishasura was creating havoc in all the three worlds, the devas got together and requested Brahma, Siva and Vishnu

for help. Then Goddess Durga was created and weapons were given by them. Let Goddess Durga, whose battle attire is accompanied by the loud cries of the devas, become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

কিঃস্বাসপ্রভবৈশ্চ ভূতনিবহৈবিধ্বস্তদৈত্যোৎকরা
হত্বা চিক্ষুরমুৎক্ষপয্য সমরে সিংহেন তং চামরম্।
আশ্দপ্রকরালবাঙ্কলবিডালাদীনরীন্ ক্ষিণ্বতী

The sighs heaved by the Goddess turned into battallions and with them she killed the army of asuras. Then She killed ChikShura, the general of the asura army. Her lion jumped on Chamara, another able member of the asuras and killed him in a battle. Within moments She also destroyed the enemies udagra, karAla, bAShkala, biDAla and others. Let Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

প্রাপ্তং ক্ষোভিতবিশ্বমাশু মহিষং সংনাশযন্তী ততঃ
সিংহীভূতমথো নরাকৃতিমিভাকারং লুলাযাকৃতিম্ ।
আক্রাম্যাঙ্ঘিতলেন নির্গতমমুং ভূযোহসিনা ছিন্দতী
রোদ্পুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্ ॥ ৪॥

রোদ্ধ্ং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্ ॥ ৩॥

When Mahisha who shook the entire world approached the Devi, She destroyed him. But, he then took the form of a lion, then came in the form of man, elephant and back to his original form. She then attacked him with her foot and cut him up with Her sword. Let Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

নিঃশেষামরশক্তিরূপিণি শিবে মায়ে মহাবিক্রমে
শ্রীবাগাদিবিভূতিরূপিণি রূপে বিদ্যুৎকৃপানুগ্রহে।
শূলাদ্যৈরপি পালয়েতি দিবিজৈনীতাদিশন্তী বরং
রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গায়তাম্॥ ৫॥

"You are the personification of the power of the entire host of devas, auspicious one, mAya - the consort of the parabrahman, brave one, in a battle You are the form of LakShmi, Sarasvati and other manifestations, yet, immediately like a lightning, You grace people due to compassion, protect us with trident and other weapons". Thus when the devas praised You, You gave them boons. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.
দৃপ্যচ্ছুম্ভনিশুম্ভবিক্রমচিরক্লিষ্টেঃ সুরেন্দ্রৈঃ স্কুতা
পার্বত্যা বপুষোহ্বতীর্য ললিতাকারা হিমাদ্রেস্টে।
ডোলাকেলিবিমোহিতবিভূবনা সাচওমুণ্ডেক্ষিতা

Praised by the devas who were suffering because of their defeat at the hands of the arrogant shumbha and nishumbha, a gentle form emerged out of pArvati at the slopes of Himalayas. Sportingly She attracted all the three worlds and was seen by chaNDa and muNDa. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death. চণ্ডাবেদিতরূপজাতমদনস্তম্ভেন শুম্ভেন চ
দ্রাগ্ দূতে প্রহিতে নিযুদ্ধবিজয়ী ভর্তা মমেত্যুচিষী।
যুদ্ধেচ্ছুং কিল ধূম্রলোচনমথো সৈন্যান্বিতং ধৃন্বতী
রোদ্ধং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্তৈবি দুর্গায়তাম॥ ৭॥

Being informed by chaNDa of the Devi's beautiful form, shumbha became desirous of attaining her and immediately sent a messenger. She sent him back with the message that only the one who defeats her in a battle can become her husband. Enraged by her answer, shumbha sent dhUmralochana, who wanted to fight. Devi destroyed dhUmralochana along with his army. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

চণ্ডে মুণ্ডযতে সমেযুষি বলৈঃ কালীমলীকান্তরাত্

সৃষ্ট্বা ভক্ষিতসৈন্যশস্ত্রকুলযা তৌ ঘাতযন্তী তযা। প্রাপ্তে শুম্ভবলে চ কেসরিতুনঃ কালী রবোদ্খোষিনী রোদ্পুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥৮॥

When chaNDa and muNDa came with their forces, She created kAli from her forehead. kAli then destroyed the army and its weapons and then killed chaNDa and muNDa. Later when Shumba's army approached, kAli expressed her anger by roaring aloud. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

ব্রহ্মাণ্ডাদিষু সংগতাসু শিবদূতীং চ স্বশক্তিং তদা সৃষ্ট্বা তৎপ্রহিতেন্দুমৌলিবচসা দৈত্যৈঃ প্রবৃত্তে রণে। ক্রুধ্যন্মাতৃঅণাদিতং রিপুবলং দৃষ্ট্বা প্রহুষ্টাশযা রোদ্ধ্বং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ৯॥

Then shivadUtl (one who sent Siva as messenger) – her own power was created from combining the powers of all the devas of the brahmANDa. Then She was called to battle by the asuras who were incited by the words of shiva (lord with the moon on his head) who was sent by Her. She became delighted on seeing the army being attacked by the angry mothers – the manifestations of the devas' powers. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me

to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.
প্রাপ্তং সংযতি রক্তবীজমসুরং মাতৃপ্রহারোদ্গল–
দ্রক্তোদ্ভূতভটৌঘপূর্ণভূবনং ভীতিপ্রদং পশ্যতাম্।
কাল্যা তৎক্ষণপীতনষ্টরুধিরং শস্ত্রোৎকরৌর্নিঘ্নতী
রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্ফৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১০॥

The devas next saw the asura raktablja, who came to the battlefield and who created fear by filling earth with warriors (of his kind) who sprung from his blood that oozed out of him when he was struck by the shaktis. Then as and when Devi attacked raktablja, kAli drank his blood and ultimately he perished. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.
ঘোরে শুন্তনিশুন্তযোরথ রণারন্তে নিশুন্তাসুরং খডগাদ্যৈঃ কৃতযুদ্ধমাত্রপরশুং সম্মোহ্য বাণোৎকরৈঃ।
শুন্তং শক্তিশরৌঘভীষণরণং শূলাদিতং তর্বতী

Next was the terrible battle with shumbha and nishumbha. nishumba who fought with an axe and arrows was struck unconscious by Devi with a sword. Then with the trident She struck shumbha who was fighting ferociously with 'shakti' – indra's weapon and with

arrows. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

ভূযঃ প্রাপ্তনিশুম্ভমুক্তমভিতশ্চক্রাযুধং ছিন্দতী খডগচ্ছিন্নগদং সশূলমথ তং শূলেন ভিত্ত্বোরসি। বক্ষোনির্গতমন্যদস্য চ বপুঃ খডেগন নিষ্কৃন্ততী রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১২॥

Again, nishumbha sent forth many chakras at the Devi which She broke. She broke his gada with Her sword and then tore his chest with Her trident. Another form of his came from his chest and was immediately killed by Devi with her sword. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

পঞ্চাস্যেন চ মাতৃভিশ্চ মথিতে সৈন্যে সমভ্যেযুষঃ
শুস্তস্যান্যবলাবলম্ববচসা দেবীবিলায্য স্বযম্।
শস্ত্রাস্ত্রোৎকরভীষণং চিরতরং তেনাহবং তন্বতী
রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১৩॥

When the different shaktis and Her lion were fighting the asuras, shumbha accused the devi of depending on another's strenth. So She merged all other manifestations into Herself and fought for a long with shumba who fought with many kinds of weapons (shastra)

and astras (arrows released after invoking a mantra). Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

ছিন্নাস্ত্রেণ তলপ্রহারমথিতেনানেন ধৃত্বা রুষা ব্যোমান্তং গমিতা নিযুদ্ধমধিকং কৃত্বাথ নিষ্পাত্য তম্। শূলেন প্রবিদার্য সর্বভুবনং নির্ব্যাকুলং কুর্বতী রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্তৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১৪॥

shumba's weapons were destroyed and he was hit by Devi with her palm. An angry shumbha took Her to the sky and fought fiercely.

Devi then decided that She had fought enough and killed him with Her trident and made the earth free of distress. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

আপরাতিহরে প্রসীদ শুভদে বিশ্বোসি নারাযণি ব্রহ্মাণ্যাদিতনো প্রপালয ভযাচ্ছূলাদিঘণ্টাদিভিঃ। রোগাদীঞ্জহি সর্বদাযিনি বরং দেহীতি দৈবৈঃ স্তুতা রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্টেগব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১৫॥

Remover of the miseries of those who are distressed, Bestower of auspicious things, be pleased. nArAyaNi, You are the entire world. brahmANi, the first being, protect us from fear with Your

weapons like trident and others and kill all diseases. O Giver of everything, give us boons." Thus She was praised by the devas. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

ভূযশ্চাপি তদা তদা রিপুবলং হস্তাম্ম্যহং চিন্তিতা
মন্মাহাত্ম্যকথাপরানপি সদা সর্বত্র রক্ষাম্যহম্।
তেষাং চাভিমতং দদাম্যখিলমিত্যুক্ত্বা ততোহন্তর্হিতা
রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গায়তাম্॥ ১৬॥

Whenever I am remembered, I will again kill the host of asuras.

Always and everywhere I will protect those who are involved in the stories describing My greatness. And I will give everything that they wish for." So saying She disappeared. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

মাহাত্ম্যং চ সুমেধসানুকথিতং শ্রুত্ম মহীভৃদ্বিশোঃ সহ্যাদ্রৌ বিহিতত্রিবর্ষতপসোঃ প্রত্যক্ষতামেযুষী। ভূভর্ত্রে দদতী পুনর্মনুপদং বৈশ্যায বোধপ্রদা রোদ্ধুং ঘোরকৃতান্তসৈন্যমিহ মে দুর্গৈব দুর্গাযতাম্॥ ১৭॥

Hearing the greatness of Devi as related by the RiShi sumedhas, king suratha performed tapas on the mountain sahyAdri for three years and

got a vision of the Goddess. She gave his kingdom back to suratha and and the boon that he will be born to Lord sUrya and his wife savarNA and will be known as sAvarNi and become the next manu. She also gave the boon of self-realisation to the vaishya. Let that Goddess Durga become a fort for me to stop the terrible army of kRitAnta, the god of death.

শ্রীদ্বর্গাস্তৃতিপদ্যসপ্তদশকং নিত্যং পঠন্ মানবো
মুক্ত্বা মৃত্যুভযং বিহায বিপদং লব্ধাখিলং কাঙ্ক্ষিতম্।
মুক্তিং চাপি লভতে মুক্তিনিলয়ে দেব্যাঃ কৃপাগৌরবা–
রিঃশেষং ফলমশুবীত গিরিজামাহাত্ম্যপাঠোদ্ভবম্॥ ১৮॥

By reading the seventeen verses of "shrldurgAsrutl" daily, man is freed from fear of death, leaves behind difficulties, gets all that he wishes for and attains liberty. And in that state of liberation, due to the grace of the Goddess, he enjoys in its entirety the fruit that arises out of reading the greatness of Goddess girijA.

ইতি দুগাঁস্তুতিঃ সমাপ্তা

With this, the hymn durgAstutiH concludes.

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