



|| śrīviṣṇu kavacaṁ - yoganidrā - brahmāṇḍa purāṇam ||

Sri Vishnu Kavacham – Yoganidra – Brahma Vaivarta Puranam

The following is a rare Kavacham (armor stuti) on on **Lord Vishnu** by **Lord Krishna** taken from **Brahma Vaivarta Puranam**, **Sri Krishna Janma Khanda**, and **Chapter 12** as told by **Yoganidra** to **Lord Brahma**.

The elaborate **Phalashruti** mentions that by reciting this hymn **Goddess Durga** was able to destroy **Shumbha** and **Raktabija** and **Lord Shiva** destroy **Tripura**. One who chants this hymn never gets afflicted by any fear – poison, fire, water, enemies, etc.

yoganidrovāca -

śrīhariḥ pātu me vaktraṁ mastakaṁ madhusūdanaḥ |
śrīkṛṣṇacakṣuṣī pātu nāsikāṁ rādhikāpatiḥ || 1 ||

karṇa-yugmaṁ ca kaṅṭhaṁ ca kapālaṁ pātu mādhaveḥ |
kapolaṁ pātu govindaḥ keśāśca keśavaḥ svayam || 2 ||

adharoṣṭhaṁ hṛṣīkeśo dantapaṅktiṁ gadāgrajaḥ |
rāseśvaraśca rasanāṁ tālukaṁ vāmano vibhuḥ || 3 ||

vakṣaḥ pātu mukundaśca jaṭharaṁ pātu daityahā |
janārdanaḥ pātu nābhiṁ ca pātu viṣṇuśca mehanam || 4 ||

nitamba-yugmaṁ guhyaṁ ca pātu me puruṣottamaḥ |
jānu-yugmaṁ jānakīśaḥ pātu te sarvadā vibhuḥ || 5 ||

hasta-yugmaṁ nṛsimhaśca pātu sarvatra saṅkaṭe |
pāda-yugmaṁ varāhaśca pātu te kamalodbhavaḥ || 6 ||

ūrdhvaṁ nārāyaṇaḥ pātu hyadhastāt kamalāpatiḥ |
pūrvasyāṁ pātu gopālaḥ pātu vahnau daśāsyaḥ || 7 ||

vanamālī pātu yāmyām ca vaikuṅṭhaḥ pātu nairṛtī |
vāruṇyām vāsudevaśca sato rakṣākaraḥ svayam || 8 ||

pātu te santatamajo vāyavyām viṣṭaraśravāḥ |
uttare ca sadā pātu tejasā jalajāsanah || 9 ||

aiśānyām īśvaraḥ pātu pātu sarvatra śatrujit |
jale sthale cā'ntarikṣe nidrāyām pātu rāghavaḥ || 10 ||

|| phalaśrutiḥ ||

ityevaṁ kavacaṁ brahman kavacaṁ paramādbhutam |
kṛṣṇena kṛpayā dattaṁ smrṭenaiva purā mayā || 11 ||

śumbhena saha saṅgrāme nirlakṣye ghora-dāruṇe |
gagane sthitayā sadyaḥ prāpti mātrena sa jitah || 12 ||

kavacasya prabhāveṇa dharaṇyām patito mṛtaḥ |
pūrva varṣa śataṁ khe ca kṛtvā yuddham bhayāvaham || 13 ||

mṛte śumbhe ca govindah kṛpālur gagana-sthitaḥ |
mālām ca kavacam dattvā golokam sa jagāma ha || 14 ||

kalpāntarasya vṛttāntam kṛpayā kathitam mune |
abhyantara bhayam nāsti kavacasya prabhāvataḥ || 15 ||

koṭīśaḥ koṭīśo naṣṭā mayā dṛṣṭāśca vedhasaḥ |
aham ca hariṇā sārdham kalpe kalpe sthirā sadā || 16 ||

ityuktvā kavacam dattvā sāntardhānam cakāra ha |
niḥśaṅko nābhikamale tasthau sa kamalodbhavaḥ || 17 ||

suvarṇa guṭikāyām ca kṛtvedam kavacam param |
kaṅthe vā dakṣiṇe bāhau badhniyādyaḥ sudhīḥ sadā || 18 ||

viśā 'gni jala śatrubhyo bhaya tasya na jāyate |
jale sthale cā'ntarikṣe nidrāyām rakṣatīśvaraḥ || 19 ||

saṅgrāme vajrapāte ca vipattau prāṇasaṅkaṭe |
kavaca smaraṇād eva sadyo niḥśaṅkatām vrajet || 20 ||

baddhvedam kavacam kaṅthe śaṅkaras tripuram puraḥ |
jaghāna līlā mātrena durantamasureśvaram || 21 ||

baddhvedam kavacam kālī raktabījam cakhāda sā |
sahasraśīrṣā dhṛtvedam viśvam datte tilam yathā || 22 ||

āvām sanatkumāraśca dharmasākṣī ca karmaṇām |
kavacasya prabhāveṇa sarvatra jayino vayam || 23 ||

tasya nandaśīsoḥ kaṅthe cakāra kavacam dvijaḥ |
ātmanaḥ kavacam kaṅthe dadhāra ca svayam hariḥ || 24 ||

prabhāvaḥ kathitaḥ sarvaḥ kavacasya hares tathā |
anantasyā 'cyutasyaiva prabhāvam atulam mune || 25 ||

**|| iti śrībrāhme vaivarte mahāpurāṇe śrīkṛṣṇa-janma-khaṇḍe
yoganidrovata śrīviṣṇu kavacam sampūrṇam ||**