

## Shri Lingashtakam

This is a very powerful prayer of Lord Shiva. The devotees who worship Shiva in the form of shivlingam recite this prayer. It is believed that one who recites this Shiva Stuti with full devotion receives the blessings of the almighty. The Hindi lyrics of Lingashtakam are provided

here along with a YouTube video link for easy understanding:

Brahma Murari Surarchit Lingam Nirmal Bhachit Shobhita Lingam,  
Janmaj Dukha Vinashak Lingam Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Devamuni Pravararchita Lingam Kamadaham Karunakara Lingam,  
Ravana Darpa Vinashak Lingam Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Sarva Sugandh Sulepitha Lingam Buddhi Vivardhana Karan Lingam,  
Siddha Surasur Vandit Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Kanak Mahamani Bhushith Lingam Phanipathi Veshitha Shobhith Lingam,  
Daksha Suyajn Vinashak Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Kumkum Chandan Lepit Lingam Pankaj Hara Sushobhit Lingam,  
Sanchit Pap Vinashak Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Devaganarchit Sevit Lingam Bhavair Bhakti Bhirevach Lingam,  
Dinakar Koti Prabhakar Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Asht Dalopari Veshitha Lingam Sarva Samudbhava Karan Lingam,  
Asht Daridra Vinashak Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.  
Suraguru Suravara Puji Lingam Suravan Pushp Sadarchit Lingam,  
Paratparam Paramatma Lingam, Tat Pranamami Sada Shiv Lingam.

### Meaning of Shri Lingashtakam:

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is honored by Brahma, Murari and Indra, Which is adorned and resplendent by clear light, and Which destroys the grief born out of the birth.<sup>1</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is honored by demi-gods and the best sages, Which destroys the fear of Kamadeva or desires, Which is the abode of compassion, and Which destroyed the pride of the demon Ravana.<sup>2</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is applied and covered by a fragrant paste, Which is the reason for the increment of wisdom in persons, and Which has been extolled by siddha, demi-gods and demons alike.<sup>3</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is adorned with gold and grand precious jewels, Which is surrounded and adorned by a garland of the king of snakes (Naga), and Which destroyed the grand sacrifice of Daksa Prajapati in the old times.<sup>4</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is applied by a paste of sandalwood and kumkuma, Which is adorned by a garland of lotuses, and Which destroys the accumulated sins of living beings.<sup>5</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is honored by demi-gods and the Gana of Siva, possessed with devotional emotions, and Which is resplendent with light like millions of sun.<sup>6</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is surrounded by flowers having eight-petals, Which is the reason behind the birth of everything, and Which destroys the eight types of poverty.<sup>7</sup>

I continuously bow to that Linga of Siva, Which is revered by demi-gods, preceptors and Indra, Which is offered wild-flowers, from forests, by the demi-gods, Which is beyond everything, and Which is like the Paramatman.<sup>8</sup>