

श्रीश्री गोविन्द दामोदर स्तोत्रम्॥

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अग्रे कुरुणामथ पाण्डवानाम्
दुःशासननहृत-वस्त्र-केशा ।
कृष्णा तदाकोशदनन्य-नाथा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१॥

*agre kurūṇām atha pāṇḍavānām
duḥśāsanenāhṛta-vastra-keśā
kr̄ṣṇā tadākrośad ananya-nāthā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(1) Before the assembled Kurus and pandavas, when Duḥśāsana caught her hair and clothing, Kṛṣṇā (Draupadī), having no other Lord, cried out, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

श्रीकृष्णविष्णो मधु-कैटभारे
भक्तानुकम्पिन् भगवन्मुरारे ।
त्रायस्व मां केशव लोकनाथ
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२॥

*śrī kr̄ṣṇa viṣṇo madhu-kaiṭabhāre
bhaktānukampin bhagavan murāre
trāyasva mām keśava lokanātha
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(2) O Lord Kṛṣṇa, Viṣṇu, enemy of the Madhu and Kaiṭabha demons; O Supreme Personality of Godhead, enemy of Mura, merciful upon the devotees; O Keśava, Lord of the worlds, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava, please deliver me.

विक्रेतुकामा किल गोप कन्या
मुरारि - पादार्पित चित्त वृत्तिः।
दद्यादिकं मोहवशादवोच्द
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३॥

*vikretukāmā kila gopa-kanyā
murāri-pādārpita-citta-vṛttih
dadhyādikam mohavaśād avocad
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(3) Though desiring to sell milk, dahi, butter, etc., the mind of a young gopī was so absorbed in the lotus feet of Kṛṣṇa that instead of calling out “Milk for sale,” she bewilderedly said, “Govinda!”, Dāmodara!”, and “Mādhava!”

उलुखले समृत - तण्डुलांश्च
अङ्गद्यन्त्यो मुसलैः प्रमुग्धाः।
गायन्ति गोप्यो जनितासुरागा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४॥

*ulūkhale sambhṛta-tandulāñś ca
aṅghaṭṭayantyo musalaiḥ pramugdhāḥ
gāyanti gopyo janitānurāgā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(4) Their grinding-mortars full of grains, the gopīs minds are overcome as they thresh with their pestles, singing “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

काचित् कराम्भोज-पुटे निषण्णं
कृडा-शुकं किंशुक-रक्त-तुण्डम् ।
अध्यापयामास सरोरुहाक्षी
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५॥

*kācīt karāmbhoja-puṭe niṣaṇṇam
kr̄idā-śukam kiṁśuka-rakta-tuṇḍam
adhyāpayām āsa saroruhākṣī
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(5) A lotus-eyed girl instructed the red-beaked pet parrot that was seated in the cup of her lotus hand; she said, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava . . .”

गृहे गृहे गोप-बधू-समूहः
प्रतिक्षणं पिञ्जर सारिकानाम् ।
स्वलद्विरं वाचयितुं प्रवृत्ता
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६॥

*grhe grhe gopa-vadhū-samūhah
prati-kṣaṇam piñjara-sārikānām
skhalad-girām vācayitum pravṛtto
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti* 2

(6) In each and every house, a bevy of gopa-women is engaged in making the caged parrots constantly utter with broken words, “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and Mādhava.”

पर्याणिककाभाजमलं कुमारम्
प्रस्वापयन्त्योऽखिल-गोप-कन्याः ।
जगुः प्रबन्धं स्वर-ताल-बन्दम्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥७॥

*paryāṇikikābhājām alam kumāram
prasvāpayaṇtyo 'khila-gopa-kanyāḥ
jaguh prabandham svara-tāla-bandham
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(7) With the little boy lying in the swing, all of the gopīs used to expertly sing compositions set to musical notes and rhythm; they went, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava,” while putting Him to rest.

रामानुजं वीक्षण-केलि-लोलं
गोपि गृहीत्वा नव-नीत-गोलम् ।
आबालकं बालकमाजुहाव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥८॥

*rāmānujām vīkṣaṇa-keli-lolam
gopi gr̥hitvā nava-nīta-golam
ābālakam bālakam ājuhāva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(8) The younger brother of Balarāma, playing mischieviously, was dodging about her with restless eyes. Taking a ball of fresh butter to lure Him over, a gopī called Him: “O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava . . .”

विचित्र - वर्णा भरणाभिरामे
भिधेहि बक्राम्बुज - राजहंसे ।
सदा मदीये रसनेऽग्र - रङ्ग
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥९॥

*vicitra-varṇābharaṇābhīrāme-
-bhidhehi vaktrāmbuja-rājahaṁse
sadā madīye rasane 'gra-rāngē
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(9) O my tongue, since my mouth has become like a lotus by dint of the presence there of these eloquent, ornamental, delightful syllables, you are like the swan that plays there. As your foremost pleasure, always articulate the names, “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

अङ्गाधिरूढं शिशु-गोप-गूढं
स्तनं धयन्तं कमलैक-कान्तम् ।
सम्भोधयामास मुदा यशोदा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१०॥

*aṅkādhīrūḍham siśu-gopa-gūḍham
stanam dhayantam kamalaika-kāntam
sambodhayām āsa mudā yaśodā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(10) The one and only Lord of Lakṣmīdevī, as an inconspicuous little cowherd baby, was seated in the lap of mother Yaśodā, drinking her breast-milk. Merged in bliss, she addressed Him as “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

कृडन्तमन्तर्व्रजमात्मनं स्वं
समं वयस्यैः पशु-पाल-बालैः ।
प्रेमणा यशोदा प्रजुहाव कृष्णम्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥११॥

*kṛīḍantam antar-vrajam ātmānam svam
samam vayasyaiḥ paśu-pāla-bālaiḥ
premṇā yaśodā prajuhāva kṛṣṇam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti*

(11) In Vraja-dhāma, Kṛṣṇa was playing with His playmates, the boys of His age who protected the animals. With great love, mother Yaśodā called out to her own son, “O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

यशोदाया गादमुलूखलेन
गो-करण-पाशेन निबध्यमनम् ।
रुरोद मदं नवनीत-भोजी
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१२॥

yaśodayā gāḍham ulūkhalena
go-kanṭha-pāśena nibadhyamanam
ruroda mandaṁ navanīta-bhojī
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

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(12) Being firmly tied up to the grinding mortar with a cow's rope by mother Yaśodā, the plunderer of butter softly whimpered. "Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava."

निजाङ्गणे कङ्कण-केलि-लोलं
गोपी गृहीत्वा नवनीत-गोलम् ।
आमर्द्यत्पाणि-तलेन नेत्र
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१३॥

nijāṅgaṇe kaṅkaṇa-keli-lolam
gopī gr̄hītvā navanīta-golam
āmardayat pāṇi-talena netre
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(13) In His own courtyard, Kṛṣṇa was carelessly playing with a bracelet. So the gopī took a ball of butter to Him, and shutting His eyes with her palm, she distracted Him, "O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava . . . (Guess what I have for you!)"

गृहे गृहे गोप - वधू - कदम्बाः
सर्वे मिलित्वा समवाय-योगे ।
पुण्यानि नामानि पठन्ति नित्यम्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१४॥

gr̄he gr̄he gopa-vadhū-kadambāḥ
sarve militvā samavāya-yoge
punyāni nāmāni paṭhanti nityam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(14) In house after house, groups of cowherd ladies gather on various occasions, and together they always chant the transcendental names of Kṛṣṇa—"Govinda, Dāmodara, and Mādhava."

मन्दार-मूले वदनाभिरामं
बिम्बाघरे पूरित-बेणु-नदम् ।
गो-गोप-गोपी-जन-मध्य-संस्थं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१५॥

mandāra-mūle vadana-abhirāmam
bimbābhare pūrita-venu-nādam
go-gopa-gopī-jana-madhyā-saṁsthām
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(15) His face is pleasing, and the flute at His lips is filled with Divine sound. Amidst the cows, gopas, and gopīs, He stands at the base of a coral tree. Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!

उत्थाय गोप्योऽपर-रात्र-भोगे
स्मृत्वा यशोदा-सुत-बाल-केलिं ।
गायन्ति प्रोच्चैर्दधि-मन्थयन्त्यो
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१६॥

utthāya gopyo 'para-rātra-bhoge
smṛtvā yaśodā-suta-bāla-kelim
gāyanti proccair dadhi-manthayantyo
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(16) Having risen early in the Brahma-muhūrta, and remembering the childish activities of the Son of mother Yaśodā, the gopīs loudly sing while churning butter—"Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!"

जग्धोऽथ दत्तो नवनीत-पिण्डो
गृहे यशोदा विचिकित्सयन्ती ।
उवाच सत्यं वद हे मुरारे
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१७॥

jagdho 'tha datto navanīta-piṇḍo
gr̄he yaśodā vicikitsayantī
uvāca satyam vada he murāre
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(17) Having churned and then set aside a fresh lump of butter in the house, mother Yaśodā was now suspicious—it had been eaten. She said, "Hey—Murāri! Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava, now tell me the truth . . ."

अन्यर्च्य गेहं युवतिः प्रवृद्ध
प्रेम प्रवाहा दधि निर्ममन्थ ।
गायन्तिगोप्योऽथ सखि-समेता
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१८॥

abhyarcya gehām yuvatih pravṛddha-
-prema-pravāhā dadhi nirmamantha
gāyanti gopyo 'tha sakhi-sametā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(18) Having finished worship at home, a young gopī, (like) a strong current of love for Kṛṣṇa, churned the butter, and then joins together with all the gopīs and their friends and they sing, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

कवचित् प्रभाते दधि-पुर्ण-पात्रे
निक्षिप्य मन्थं युवती मुकुदम् ।
आलोक्य गानं विविधं करोति
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥१९॥

kvacit prabhāte dadhi-pūrṇa-pātre
nikṣipya manthaṁ yuvatī mukundam
ālokya gānam vividham karoti
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(19) One time, early in the morning, just as a girl had put aside her churn in a pot full of butter—she saw Mukunda. She then began to sing songs in various ways, about Govinda, Dāmodara, and Mādhava.

किंडापरं भोजन - मज्जनार्थम्
हितैशिणी स्त्री तनुं यशोदा ।
आजुहवत्प्रेम परि प्रुताक्षी
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२०॥

krīḍāparam bhojana-majjanārtham
hitaiśiṇī strī tanujām yaśodā
ājūhavat prema-pari-plutakṣī¹
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(20) (Without having even bathed or eaten,) Kṛṣṇa was absorbed in play. Overwhelmed with affection, mother Yaśodā, who thought only of her son’s welfare, called out, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava! (Come, take your bath and eat something.)”

सुखं शयानं निलये च विष्णुम्
देवर्षि - मुख्या मुनयः प्रपन्नाः ।
तेनाच्युते तन्मयतां ब्रजन्ति
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२१॥

sukham śayānām nilaye ca viṣṇum
devarṣi-mukhyā munayah prapannāḥ
tenācyute tanmayatām vrajanti
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(21) Devarṣi Nārada and other Munis are always surrendered to Lord Viṣṇu, who rests upon His couch. They always chant the names of “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava,” and thus they attain spiritual forms similar to His.

विहाय निद्रां अरुणोदयेच
विधाय कृत्यानि च विप्रमुख्याः ।
वेदावसाने प्रपठन्ति नित्यम् ।
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२२॥

vihāya nidrām aruṇodaye ca
vidhāya kṛtyāni ca vipramukhyāḥ
vedāvasāne prapaṭhanti nityām
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(22) After giving up sleep at dawn, having completed their ritualistic duties, and at the end of their Vedic chanting, the best of the learned brāhmaṇas always loudly chant, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

वृन्दावने गोप-गणाश्च गोप्यो
विलोक्य गोविन्द-वियोग-खिन्नम् ।
राधां जगुः साश्रु-विलोचनाभ्यां
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२३॥

vṛndāvane gopa-gaṇāś ca gopyo
vilokya govinda-viyoga-khinnam
rādhām jaguḥ sāśru-vilocanābhyaṁ
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(23) In Vṛndāvana, seeing Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī overwhelmed with separation from Govinda, groups of gopas and gopīs sang, with tears in their lotus eyes, “Govinda! Dāmodara! O Mādhava!”

प्रभात-सञ्चार-गतानु गावस्
तद्रक्षणार्थं तनयं यशोदा ।
प्रावोधयत्पाणि-तलेन मन्दं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२४॥

prabhāta-sañcāra-gatā nu gāvas
tad-rakṣaṇārthaṁ tanayaṁ yaśodā
prābodhayat pāṇi-talena mandam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(24) The cows having already gone out to graze early in the morning, mother Yaśodā gently roused her sleeping son with the palm of her hand, softly saying, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava.”

प्रवाल - शोभैव दीर्घ-केश
वाताम्बु-पर्णशन-पूत-देहाः ।
मूले तरुणां मुनयः पठन्ति
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२५॥

pravāla-śobhā iva dīrgha-keśā
vātāmbu-parṇāśana-pūta-dehāḥ
mūle taruṇām munayah paṭhanti
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(25) With long, matted hair the color of coral, and bodies purified by eating only leaves, water, and air, the sages sit beneath the trees and chant, “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

एवं ब्रुवाणा विरहातुरा भृशाम्
ब्रज-स्त्रियः कृष्ण-विशिक्त मानसाः ।
विसृज्य लज्जां रुदुः स्म सु-स्वरम्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२६॥

evam bruvāṇā virahātūrā bhṛśām
vraja-striyāḥ kṛṣṇa-viṣikta-mānasāḥ
visrjya lajjām ruruduh sma su-svarain
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(26) “After speaking these words, the ladies of Vraja, who were so attached to Kṛṣṇa, felt extremely agitated by their imminent separation from Him. They forgot all worldly shame and loudly cried out,’O Govinda! O Dāmodara! O Mādhava!’”

गोपी कदाचिन्मणि-पिञ्जर-स्थम्
शुकं वचो वाचयितुं प्रवृत्ता ।
आनन्द-कन्द ब्रज-चन्द्र कृष्ण
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२७॥

gopī kadācin maṇi-piñjara-stham
śukam vaco vācayitum pravṛttā
ānanda-kanda vraja-candra kṛṣṇa
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(27) Sometimes a gopī is engaged in teaching a parrot within a jewelled cage to recite names like: “Ānanda-kanda” (source of bliss), “Vraja-candra” (moon of Vraja), “Kṛṣṇa,” “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

गो-वत्स-वालौः शिशु-काक-पक्षं
बध्नान्तमभोज - दलायताक्षं ।
उवाच माता चिकुं गृहीत्वा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२८॥

go-vatsa-bälaiḥ śiśu-kāka-pakṣam
badhnantam ambhoja-dalāyatākṣam
uvāca mātā cibukam gr̄hītvā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(28) The lotus-eyed Lord was tying the śikhā of a cowherd boy to the tail of a calf when His mother caught Him, lifted up His chin, and said, “Govinda! Dāmodara! Mādhava!”

प्रभात काले वर-वल्लवौघा
गो-रक्षणार्थं धृत-वेत्र-दण्डाः ।
आकारयामासुरानन्तमाध्यं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥२९॥

prabhāta-kāle vara-vallavaughā
go-rakṣaṇārthaṁ dhṛta-vetra-danḍāḥ
ākārayām āsur anantam ādyam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(29) In the early morning a group of His favorite cowherd boys arrived, stick-canes in hand, to take care of the cows. They addressed the unlimited, primeval Personality of Godhead, “Hey, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

जलाशये कालिय - मर्दनाय
यदा कदम्बादपतन्मुरारे ।
गोपाङ्गनाश्चक्रशुरेत्यगोपा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३०॥

jalāśaye kāliya-mardanāya
yadā kadambād apatan murāre
gopāṅganāś cakruśur etya gopā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(30) When Lord Murāri jumped from the Kadamba branch into the water to chastise the Kāliya serpent, all the gopīs and cowherd boys went there and cried out, “Oh! Govinda! Dāmodara! Mādhava!”

अकृरमासाद्य यदा मुकुन्दश्
चापोत्सवार्थं मथुरां प्रविष्टः ।
तदा स पौरैर्जयतिव्यभाषि
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३१॥

akrūram āsādya yadā mukundaś
cāpotsavārthanā mathurām praviṣṭah
tadā sa paurair jayatīty abhāṣi
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(31) After Lord Mukunda had met with Akrūra and entered Mathurā to attend the ceremony of breaking the bow of Kainsa, all the citizens then shouted, “Jaya Govinda! Jaya Dāmodara! Jaya Mādhava!”

कंसस्य दूतेन यदैव नीतौ
वृन्दावनान्ताद् वसुदेव - सूनौ ।
रुरोद गोपी भवनस्य मध्ये
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३२॥

kaṁsasya dūtena yadaiva nītau
vṛndāvanāntād vasudeva-sūnau
ruroda gopī bhavanasya madhye
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(32) When both sons of Vasudeva had actually been taken out of Vṛndāvana by the messenger of Kainsa, Yaśodā sobbed within the house, wailing, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

सरोवरे कालिय - नाग - बद्धं
शिशुं यसोदा-तनयं निशम्य ।
चक्रुर्लुटन्त्यः पठि गोप-बाला
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३३॥

sarovare kāliya-nāga-baddham
śiśuṇi yaśodā-tanayām niśamya
cakrur luṭantyah pathi gopa-bālā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(33) Hearing how the son of Yaśodā, who was but a child, was wrapped within the coils of the Kāliya serpent at the pond, the cowherd boys cried “Govinda! Dāmodara! Mādhava!” and scurried down the path.

अकूर-याने यदु-वंश-नाथं
संगच्छमानं मथुरां निरीक्ष्य ।
ऊचुर्वियोगात्क्लिल गोप-बाला
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३४॥

akrūra-yāne yadu-vaiṁśa-nāthām
saṅgacchamānam mathurām nirīkṣya
ūcur viyogāt kila gopa-bālā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(34) Seeing the Lord of the Yadus proceeding towards Mathurā upon Akrūra’s chariot, the cowherd boys, upon realization of their impending separation, said, “O Govinda! Dāmodara, Mādhava! (Where are you going? Are You actually leaving us now?)

चक्रन्द गोपी नलिनी-वनान्ते
कृष्णेन हीना कुसुमे शयाना ।
प्रफुल्ल-नीलोत्पल-लोचनाभ्यां
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३५॥

cakranda gopī nalini-vanānte
kr̄ṣnenā hīnā kusume śayānā
praphulla-nīlotpala-locañābhyaṁ
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(35) At the edge of a lotus forest, a gopī lay down upon the bed of flowers, bereft of Kṛṣṇa. Tears flowed from her lotus eyes (as she wept,) “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava.”

माता-पितृभ्यां परिवार्यमाणा
गेहं प्रविष्टा विललाप गोपी ।
आगत्य मां पालय विश्वनाथ
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३६॥

mātā-pitṛbhyaṁ parivāryamāṇā
gehaṁ praviṣṭā vilalāpa gopī
āgatya mām pālaya viśvanātha
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(36) Being very restricted by her mother and father, the lamenting gopī entered the house, thinking, “(Now that) I have arrived home, save me, O Lord of the universe! O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

वृन्दावन-स्थं हरिमाशु वुध्वा
गोपी गता कापि वनं निशायां ।
तत्राप्यदृश्वाति-भयादवोचद्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३७॥

vṛndāvana-stham harim āśu buddhvā
gopī gatā kāpi vanam niśayām
tatrāpy adṛṣṭvāti-bhayād avocad
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(37) Thinking that Kṛṣṇa was in the forest, a gopī fled into the forest in the middle of night. But seeing that Kṛṣṇa wasn’t actually there, she became very fearful, and cried, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

सुखं शयाना निलये निजेऽपि
नामानि विष्णोः प्रवदन्ति मर्त्याः ।
ते निश्चितं तन्मयतां ब्रजन्ति
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३८॥

sukham śayānā nilaye nijे ‘pi
nāmāni viṣṇoh pravadanti martyāḥ
te niścitaṁ tanmayatāṁ vrajanti
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(38) Even the ordinary mortals comfortably seated at home who chant the names of Viṣṇu, “Govinda, Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava,” certainly attain (at least) the liberation of having a form similar to that of the Lord.

सा निरजाक्षीमवलोक्य राधां
रुरोद गोविन्द-वियोग-खिन्नां ।
सखी प्रफुल्लोत्पल-लोचनाभ्यां
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥३९॥

sā nīrajākṣīm avalokya rādhāṁ
ruroda govinda-viyoga-khinnām
sakhī praphullotpala-locaṇābhyaṁ
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(39) Seeing Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī crying from the pangs of separation from Govinda, the blooming lotus eyes of Rādhā’s girlfriend also filled with tears, and she too cried, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava.”

जिह्वे रसजे मधुर-पूया त्वं
सत्यं हितं त्वां परमं वदामि ।
आवर्णयेथा मधुराक्षराणि
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४०॥

jihve rasajñe madhura-priyā tvaṁ
satyaṁ hitaṁ tvāṁ paramaṁ vadāmi
āvaraṇayethā madhurākṣarāṇi
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(40) O my tongue, you are fond of sweet things and are of discriminating taste; I tell you the highest truth, which is also the most beneficial. Please just recite these sweet syllables: “Govinda,” “Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

आत्यन्तिक-व्याधिहरं जनानां
चिकित्सकं वेद-विदो वदन्ति ।
संसार-ताप-त्रय-नाश-बिजं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४१॥

ātyantika-vyādhiharam janānāṁ
cikitsakam veda-vido vadanti
saṁsāra-tāpa-traya-nāśa-bijam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(41) The knowers of the Vedas say that this is the cure-all of the worst diseases of mankind, and that this is the seed of the destruction of the threefold miseries of material existence—“Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

ताताज्ञया गच्छति रामचन्द्रे
सलक्ष्मणेऽरण्यचये ससीते ।
चक्रन्द रामस्य निजा जनित्री
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४२॥

tātājñayā gacchatī rāmcandre
salakṣmaṇe ‘raṇyacaye sasīte
cakranda rāmasya nijā janitrī
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(42) Upon Rāmacandra's going into the forest due to his father's order, along with Lakṣmaṇa and Sītā, (and thus becoming) a forest-rover, His mother cried, “O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

एकाकिनी दण्डक-काननान्तात्
सा नीयमाना दशक-धरेण ।
सीता तदाक्रोशदनन्य-नाथा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४३॥

ekākinī daṇḍaka-kānanāntāt
sā nīyamānā daśakandhareṇa
sītā tadākrośad ananya-nāthā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(43) Left there alone, Sītā was carried out of the forest by the ten-headed Rāvaṇa. At that time, accepting no other Lord, Sītā cried, “O Govinda! Dāmodara! Mādhava!”

रामाद्वियुक्ता जनकात्मजा सा
विचिन्तयन्ती हृदि राम-रूपं ।
रुरोद सीता रघुनथ पाहि
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४४॥

rāmādviyuktā janakātmajā sā
vicintayantī hrdi rāma-rūpam
ruroda sītā raghunatha pāhi
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(44) Separated from Rāma, the daughter of King Janaka was completely anxious, and with the form of Rāma within her heart, she cried, “O Raghuṇātha! Protect me! O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

प्रसीद विष्णो रघु-वंश-नाथ
सुरासुराणां सुख-दुःख-हेतो ।
रुरोद सीता तु समुद्र-मध्ये
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४५॥

prasīda viṣṇo raghu-vamśa-nātha
surāsurāṇām sukha-duḥkha-heto
ruroda sītā tu samudra-madhye
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(45) “O Lord Viṣṇu, be gracious! Lord of the Raghu clan, cause of the happiness and distress of gods and demons alike, O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” Thus Sītā cried, (by the time she had been carried) over the middle of the ocean.

अन्त-र्जले ग्राह-गृहीत-पादे
विसृष्टा-विक्षिष्ट-समस्त-बन्धुः ।
तदा गजेन्द्रो नितरां जगाद्
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४६॥

antar-jale grāha-grhīta-pādo
visṛṣṭā-vikliṣṭa-samasta-bandhuh
tadā gajendro nitarām jagāda
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(46) Caught by his foot and pulled into the water, Gajendra, his friends all harassed and frightened away, then called out incessantly, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

हंसच्चजः शंखयुतो दर्दश
पुत्रं कटाहे प्रपतन्तमेनम् ।
पुण्यानि नामानि हरेर्जपन्ते
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४७॥

haṁsadhvajah śaṅkhayuto dadarśa
putram kaṭāhe prapatantam enam
punyāni nāmāni harer japantam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(47) Along with his priest Śaṅkhayuta, King Haṁsadhvaja saw his son Sudhanvā falling into a vat, but the boy was chanting the transcendental names of Hari, Govinda, Dāmodara, and Mādhava.

दुर्वाससो वाक्यं उपेत्य कृष्णा
सा चाब्रवित्कानन-वासिनीशम् ।
अन्तः प्रविष्टं मनसाजुहाव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४८॥

durvāsaso vākyam upetya kr̄ṣṇā
sā cābravīt kānana-vāsinīśam
antaḥpraviṣṭaiḥ manasājuhāva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(48) Accepting Durvāsa Muni's request (that she feed his thousands of disciples, even though she hadn't the means to do this) Draupadī mentally called out to the Lord within, the Lord of a forest dweller (like her), and she said, "Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!"

ध्येयः सदा योगीभिर्मेयः
चिन्ता-हरश्चनित्त-परिजातः ।
कस्तूरिका-कल्पित-नील-वर्णा
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥४९॥

dhyeyah sadā yogibhir aprameyah
cintā-haraś cintita-pārijātaḥ
kastūrikā-kalpita-nīla-varṇo
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(49) He is always meditated upon by the yogīs as being inscrutable. He is the remover of all anxieties, and is the desire-tree of all that is desireable. His bluish complexion is as attractive as Kastūrikā. Govinda! Dāmodara! Mādhava!

संसारे - कूपे पतितोऽत्यगाधे
मोहान्ध-पूर्णे विषयाभित्ते ।
करावलम्बे मम देहि विष्णो
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५०॥

saiṁsāre-kūpe patito 'tyagādhe
mohāndha-pūrṇe viṣayābhitatpe
karāvalambam mama dehi viṣṇo
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(50) I am fallen into the deep, dark well of material life, which is full of illusion and blind ignorance, and I am tormented by sensual existence. O my Lord, Viṣṇu, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava, please grant me Your supporting hand to uplift me.

त्वामेव याचे मम देहि जिह्वे
समागते दण्डघरे कृतान्ते ।
वक्तव्यमेवं मधुरं सु-भक्त्या
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५१॥

tvām eva yāce mama dehi jihve
samāgate daṇḍadhare kṛtānte
vaktavyam evaiḥ madhuram su-bhaktyā
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(51) O my tongue, I ask only this of you, that at my meeting the bearer of the sceptre of chastisement (Yamarāja), you will utter this sweet phrase with great devotion: "Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!"

भजस्व मन्त्रं भव-बन्ध-मुक्त्यै
जिह्वे रसज्ञे सुलभं मनोज्ञम् ।
द्वैपायनाद्यै मुनिभिः प्रजसं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५२॥

bhajasva mantraiḥ bhava-bandha-muktyai
jihve rasajñe su-labham manoñnam
dvaipāyanādyair munibhiḥ prajaptam
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(52) O my tongue, O knower of rasa, for release from the hellish bondage of material existence, just worship the charming, easily obtainable mantra that is chanted by Vedavyāsa and other sages: "Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!"

गोपाल वंशीधर रूप-सिन्धो
लोकेश नारायण दीन-बन्धो ।
उच्च-स्वरैस्त्वं वद सर्वदैव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५३॥

gopāla vamśīdhara rūpa-sindho
lokeśa nārāyaṇa dīna-bandho
ucca-svarais tvām vada sarvadaiva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(53) You should always and everywhere just loudly chant, "Gopāla, Vamśīdhara, O ocean of beauty, Lord of the worlds, Nārāyaṇa, O friend of the poor, Govinda, Dāmodara," and "Mādhava."

जिहे सदैव भज सुन्दराणी
नामानि कृष्णस्य मनोहराणी ।
समस्त-भक्तार्ति-विनाशनानि
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५४॥

jihve sadaiva bhaja sundarāṇī
nāmāni kṛṣṇasya manoharāṇī
samasta-bhaktārti-vināśanāni
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(54) O my tongue, just always worship these beautiful, enchanting names of Kṛṣṇa, “Govinda, Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava,” which destroy all the obstacles of the devotees.

गोविन्द गोविन्द हरे मुरारे
गोविन्द गोविन्द मुकुन्द कृष्ण ।
गोविन्दगोविन्द रथाङ्ग-पाणे
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५५॥

govinda govinda hare murāre
govinda govinda mukunda kṛṣṇa
govinda govinda rathāṅga-pāṇe
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(55) “O Govinda, Govinda, Hari, Murāri! O Govinda, Govinda, Mukunda, Kṛṣṇa! O Govinda, Govinda! O holder of the chariot wheel! O Govinda! O Dāmodara! O Mādhava!”

सुखावसाने त्वैदमेव सारं
दुःखावसाने त्वैदमेव गेयम् ।
देहावसाने त्वैदमेव जाय्यं
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५६॥

sukhāvasāne tv idam eva sāraṁ
duḥkhāvasāne tv idam eva geyam
dehāvasāne tv idam eva jāpyaṁ
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(56) This indeed is the essence (found) upon ceasing the affairs of mundane happiness. And this too is to be sung after the cessation of all sufferings. This alone is to be chanted at the time of death of one’s material body—“Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

दूर्वार-वाक्यं परिगृह्य कृष्णा
मृगीव भीता तु कथं कथश्चित् ।
सभां प्रविष्टा मनसाजुहाव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५७॥

durvāra-vākyam parigrhya kṛṣṇā
mṛgīva bhītā tu katham kathañcit
sabhāṁ praviṣṭā manasājuhāva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(57) Somehow or other accepting the unavoidable command of Duḥśāsana, Draupadī, like a frightened doe, entered the assembly of princes and within her mind cried out to the Lord, “Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

श्री कृष्ण राघावर गोकुलेश
गोपाल गोवर्धन-नाथ विष्णो ।
जिहे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५८॥

śrī kṛṣṇa rādhāvara gokuleśa
gopāla govardhana-nātha viṣṇo
jihve pibasvāmr̄tam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(58) O tongue, drink only this nectar (of the names), “Śrī Kṛṣṇa, dearmost of Śrīmatī Rādhārāṇī, Lord of Gokula, Gopāla, Lord of Govardhana, Viṣṇu, Govinda, Dāmodara,” and “Mādhava.”

श्रीनाथ विश्वेश्वर विश्व-मूर्ते
श्री देवकी-नन्दन दैत्य-शत्रो ।
जिहे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥५९॥

śrīnātha viśveśvara viśva-mūrte
śrī devakī-nandana daitya-śatru
jihve pibasvāmr̄tam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(59) “Śrīnātha, Lord of the universe, form of the universe, beautiful son of Devakī, O enemy of the demons, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar.

गोपीपते कंस-रिपो मुकुन्द
लक्ष्मीपते केशव वासुदेव ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६०॥

gopīpate kaiñsa-ripo mukunda
lakṣmīpate keśava vāsudeva
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(60) “Lord of the gopīs, enemy of Kaiñsa, Mukunda, husband of Lakṣmīdevī, Keśava, son of Vasudeva, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar.

गोपी - जनाहाद - कर ब्रजेश
गो-चारणारण्य - कृत - प्रवेश ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६१॥

gopi-janāhlāda-kara vrajeśa
go-cāraṇāraṇya-kṛta-praveśa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(61) “O You who give bliss to the gopīs! Lord of Vraja, You who have entered the forest for herding the cows, O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar.

प्राणेश विश्वम्बर कैटभारे
वैकुण्ठ नारायण चक्र-पाणे ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६२॥

prāneśa viśvambhara kaiṭabhāre
vaikuṇṭha nārāyaṇa cakra-pāṇe
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(62) “O Lord of my life! Upholder of the universe, foe of Kaiṭabha, Vaikuṇṭha, Nārāyaṇa, holder of the Sudarśana-cakra! Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar.

हरे मुरारे मधुसूदनाद्य
श्री राम सीतावर रावणारे ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६३॥

hare murāre madhusūdanāadya
śrī rāma sītāvara rāvaṇāre
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(63) “O Lord Hari, enemy of Mura, Madhusūdana, Śrī Rāma, dearmost of Sītā, enemy of Rāvana, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O tongue, now just drink this nectar.

श्री यादवेन्द्रादि-धराम्बुजाक्ष
गो-गोप-गोपी-सुख-दान-दक्ष ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६४॥

śrī yādavendrādri-dharāmbujākṣa
go-gopa-gopī-sukha-dāna-dakṣa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(64) “O best of the Yadus, O bearer of Govardhana hill, O lotus-eyed expert in giving happiness to the cows, the gopas, and the gopīs, Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O tongue, please just drink this nectar.

धराभारोत्तराण-गोप-वेश
विहार-लीलाकृत-बन्धु-शेष ।
जिहे पिवस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६५॥

dharābhārōttāraṇa-gopa-veśa
vihāra-līlā-kṛta-bandhu-śesa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(65) “O uplifter of the earth’s burdens in the guise of a cowherd boy, Lord of sportive pastimes in which Ananta-śeṣa has become Your brother! O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar.

बकी - बकाघासुर - धेनुकारे
केशी-तृणावर्त-विघात-दक्ष ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६६॥

bakī-bakāghāsura-dhenukāre
keśī-trṇāvarta-vighāta-dakṣa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(66) “O enemy of Bakī (Pūtanā), Bakāsura, Aghāsura, and Dhenuka, O Lord who expertly smashed Keśī and Trṇāvarta!” O tongue, just drink this nectar—”Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

श्री जानकी-जीवन रामचन्द्र
निशाचरारे भरताग्रजेश ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६७॥

śrī jānakī-jīvana rāmacandra
niśācarāre bharatāgrajeśa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(67) “O Rāmacandra, O life and soul of the beautiful daughter of Janaka Mahārāja, enemy of the night-roving demons, O elder brother of Bhārata!” O my tongue, just drink this nectar—”Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

नारायणानन्त हरे नृसिंह
प्रह्लाद-बाधाहर है कृपालो ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६८॥

nārāyaṇānanta hare nr̄siṁha
prahlāda-bādhāhara he kṛpālo
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(68) “O Lord Nārāyaṇa, Ananta, Hari, Nr̄siṁhadeva, remover of the afflictions of Prahlāda, O merciful Lord! Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O my tongue, simply drink this nectar.

लीला-मनुष्याकृति-राम-रूप
प्रताप-दासी-कृत-सर्व-भूप ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥६९॥

līlā-manuṣyākṛti-rāma-rūpa
pratāpa-dāsī-kṛta-sarva-bhūpa
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(69) O Lord who assumed the man-like form of Rāma, who by dint of Your prowess, turned all other kings into Your servants! “O Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!” O tongue, just drink this nectar.

श्री कृष्ण गोविन्द हरे मुरारे
हे नाथ नारायण वासुदेव ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥७०॥

śrī kṛṣṇa govinda hare murāre
he nātha nārāyaṇa vāsudeva
jihve pibasvāmṛtam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(70) “Śrī Kṛṣṇa! Govinda! Hari! Murāri! O Lord, Nārāyaṇa, Vāsudeva!” O tongue, please drink only this nectar—”Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

वक्तुं समर्थोऽपि न वक्तिकश्चिद्
अहो जनानां व्यसनाभिमुख्याम् ।
जिह्वे पिबस्वामृतमेतदेव
गोविन्द दामोदर माधवेति ॥७१॥

vaktum samartha ‘pi na vakti kaścid
aho janānām vyasanābhimukhyam
jihve pibasvāmr̄tam etad eva
govinda dāmodara mādhaveti

(71) Even though anyone is able to chant, still no one does. Alas! How determined people are for their own undoing! O tongue, just drink the nectar of these names—”Govinda, Dāmodara, Mādhava!”

इति श्री बिल्वमङ्गलाचार्य-विरचितम्
श्री गोविन्द-दामोदर-स्तोत्रं संपूर्णम्
iti śrī bilvamaṅgalācārya-viracitam
śrī govinda-dāmodara-stotram saṁpūrṇam

(72) Thus the Śrī Govinda Dāmodara Stotram composed by Śrī Bilvamaṅgalācārya is completed.

The End

