

Sambaashtakam of His Holiness Sri Chandrashekhara Bharati Swami

The original Stotram is in Sanskrit and has eight verses This English translation is by Dr. M.G. Prasad based on the Kannada translation by Dr. S.K. Ramachandra Rao in his book "Sharada Peethada Maanikya" (Ruby of Sharada Peetha).

- (1) May one's children are very good and friends are very helpful. May one's wife and home are good. May one is wealthy like Lord Kubera. May one's desires are fulfilled. May one's glory spreads around like moonlight. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (2) May one is victorious in the arguments at the assembly with the King presiding. May one enjoys all luxuries, which are not possible even to devatas. May one with yogic siddhis walk on water or in space freely. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (3) May one has beauty, which brings down the pride of Manmatha. May one has valor, which makes the Indra, chief of gods, be ashamed. May one has power, which can put down the powers of many kings. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (4) May there are doctors at home who can cure all diseases. May one has relatives in many countries abroad, who are helpful and wealthy. May one has people, who can serve and accomplish any number of wishes. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (5) May one can sit on an exquisite seat decorated with pearls. May there is grand possession of horses and elephants at the front of one's home. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (6) May one wears on the head, a crown decorated with diamonds. May one wears on the body, a cloth stitched with golden fibers. May one is moving around the earth on a grand palanquin. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (7) May there are people praising such that the praise reaches all the corners in all directions. May there are trumpets and drums sounding everywhere. May one is ruling the earth with all enemies surrendered. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*
- (8) May one has composed poems that can touch the hearts and minds of people. May one has written great literary works, which have meanings at various levels. May one is great scholar with deep knowledge of six-scriptures. May one has written a large number of books. May one is a great speaker, who attracts all listeners and also makes them happy. *Still all these are useless as the time of death is near. Only Lord Samba can help.*