

## Shree Yamunashtakam

In V.S. 1549 (year 1493) at the age of 14 years, Shri Mahaprabhuji arrived in Gokul during his first global tour; he resided at Thakurani Ghat / Govind ghat on the bank of Yamuna river. At this time he formed Shri Yamunastakam which describes Shri Yamunaji's divine description. In Yamunastakam's first eight shloks, Shri Mahaprabhuji describes Shri Yamunaji's eight fold powers, its divine & wonderful idol and her divine qualities. Shri Yamunaji is the daughter of divine Sun. Her purpose for coming to earth from heaven through Kalind mountain is to bless her devotees. Her physical state as a river is also very attractive and charming. She is so kind that even she blessed evil spirited people. Shri Yamunaji blessed her devotees with eight fold powers. If some evil person, drinks water from Yamuna river to quench thirst, she blessed that person as well. So, if we pray her, with knowledge and understanding, we should not be surprised if we also gets blessed. One of the examples from Shri Mahaprabhuji's 84 Vaishnavas, is of Kishoribai. Kishoribai was chanting only two lines from Yamunastakam with full faith. Shri Yamunaji blessed Kishoribai with all divine fruits.

\*\*\*\*\* Shlok 1 \*\*\*\*\*

Sanskrit

Namami Yamuna Maham, Sakal Siddhi Hetum Muda, Murari Padpankaj-Sfuradmand, Renoot-katam,  
atasth Nav Kanan, Prakat Mod Pushpambunaa, Suraa Sur suPoojitaha, Smara Pituh Shri yam-bibhrateem

Explanation

I (shri mahaprabhuji) bow (Namami) to Shri Yamunaji with my full love and devotion. She is capable of giving fulfillment of all the desires(Sakal Siddhi) of the devotee in enjoying God's love. Shri Yamunaji is capable of giving all kind of achievements. This first shlok describes the physical state of the river. Its both banks are full of glittering sand which is believed to be as soft as lotus feet of Shri Murari Prabhu (Shri Krishna.) Also, there are various kind of EVERGREEN gardens of the both banks of the river. The river water is full of scent due to flowers of the garden. Shri Yamunaji is also worshipped by two kinds(Suraa -Sur)of vraj devotees.

\*\*\*\*\* Shlok 2 \*\*\*\*\*

Sanskrit

Kalind Girimastake, Pata-d-mand Poorojjwala, Vilas Gamanollasat, Prakatgand Shailonnata,  
Sagosh-gantidantura, Samadhiroodh Dolottama, Mukund Rati Vardhinee, Jayati Padma Bandho Suta

Explanation

In this shlok, Shri Mahaprabhuji describes that how Shri Yamunaji can bless her devotees to increase their love towards Shri Mukund Prabhu. Also, Shri Mahaprabhuji describes the physical existence of Yamunaji as river. It flows enthusiastically (With speed and splendour Poorojjwala) from the top of Kalind mountain. The water appears to be as milk because of the force and twirls. It seems like Shri Yamunaji is very eager to go in Vraj and meet Shri Krishna. It also gives impression as Shri Yamunaji is swinging of (Dolottama) jhula. Shri Yamunaji is a daughter of Sun, who is the friend of lotus(Padma).

\*\*\*\*\* Shlok 3 \*\*\*\*\*

Sanskrit

Bhuvam Bhuvan Pawaneem, Adhigatamane Kashwanaihi, Priyabhiriv Sevatam, Shuka Mayur Hansadibhihi,  
Tarang Bhuj Kankana, Prakat muktikavaluka, Nitambtat Sundareem, Namat Krishna Turya Priyam.

Explanation

Whenever Shri Yamunaji comes to earth from heaven, she blessed the Earth (Bhuvam Bhuvana Pawaneem). All birds like Parrot, Peacock, Hansas (Swans) serves Shri Yamunaji. Shri Mahaprabhuji visualize glittering (sterling) sand as her bangle's pearls (muktikavaluka) and waves of water as beautiful divine hands (Tarang Bhuj Kankana) of Shri Yamunaji. From the birds eye view, Shri Yamunaji appears as beautiful with both the banks with glamorous sand and river full of water. She is favorite fourth queen of Shri Krishna. And Shri Mahaprabhuji asks us to bow to her (Namat Krishna Turya Priyam).

\*\*\*\*\* Shlok 4 \*\*\*\*\*

Sanskrit

Anant Gunbhusite, Shiva Viranchi Devastute, Ghanaghan Nibhe Sada, Dhruva Parasharaa Bhistade,  
Vishuddha Mathura Tate, Sakal Gop-gopi Vrute, Krupa Jaladhi Sanshrite, Mama Manha Sukham Bhavayah.

Explanation

In this shlok, Shri Mahaprabhuji describes the prayer to Shri Yamuna Maharani. O! Shri Yamunaji, you are having infinite divine qualities - countless virtues. Even, Gods like Shiv, Brahama praises you. You are capable of granting wishes to devotees like Dhruv and Parasher. There are holy pilgrim places like "Mathura" on your banks. You are always surrounded with gopi's and gopijans and you are always protected by blessings of Shri Krishna. O! Shri Yamunaji, I wish that you give me such a blessing that it gives peace and happiness to my mind. Chanting this shlok with pure and honest heart gives tremendous mental peace and eternal happiness. (Kishori bai was chanting only two lines Vishuddha Mathura Tate, Sakal Gopgopi Vrute, Krupa Jaladhi Sanshrite, Mama Manha Sukham Bhavayah. with full faith. Shri Yamunaji blessed Kishoribai with all divine fruits.)