

## Transliteration–Telugu

Transliteration as per Modified Harvard-Kyoto (HK) Convention  
(including Telugu letters – Short e, Short o) -

a A i I u U  
R RR lR lRR  
e E ai o O au M (H or :)

(e – short | E – Long | o – short | O – Long)

k kh g gh n/G  
c ch j jh n/J  
T Th D Dh N  
t th d dh n  
p ph b bh m  
y r l L v  
S sh s h

(jn – as in jnAna)

### E panikO-asAvEri

In the kRti ‘E panikO janmincitinani’ – rAga asAvEri (tAla Adi), SrI tyAgarAja expresses his desire to extol the Lord in the same manner as sage vAlmIki and others did.

P E panikO janmincitin(a)ni  
<sup>1</sup>nIv(e)nca valadu SrI rAma nEn(E pani)

A SrI pati SrI rAmacandra nI  
<sup>2</sup>cittamunaku teliyadA nEn(E pani)

C <sup>3</sup>vAlmIk(A)di munulu narulu ninnu  
varNinciri nA(y)Asa tIrunA  
<sup>4</sup>mElmiyai(y)uNDu <sup>5</sup>sad-bhaktulu  
meccudurE tyAgarAja nuta nEn(E pani)

#### Gist

O Lord SrI rAma!  
O Consort of lakshmi! O Lord SrI rAmacandra!  
O Lord praised by this tyAgarAja!

You should not think that I was born for some sundry purpose.  
Is it not known to Your mind?

vAlmIki and other sages and men extolled You;  
will my (similar) desire be fulfilled?

It would be excellent;  
true devotees would indeed commend.

#### Word-by-word Meaning

P O Lord SrI rAma! You (nIvu) should not (valadu) think (enca) (nIvenca) that (ani) I (nEnu) was born (janmincitini) (janmincitinani) for some sundry (E) purpose (panikO).

A O Consort (pati) of lakshmi (Sri)! O Lord Sri rAmacandra! Is it not known (teliyadA) to Your (nI) mind (cittamunaku)?

O Lord Sri rAma! You should not think that I (nEnu) was born for some sundry purpose.

C vAlmIki and other (Adi) (vAlmIkAdi) sages (munulu) and men (narulu) extolled (varNinciri) You (ninnu); will my (nA) (similar) desire (Asa) (nAyAsa) be fulfilled (tIrundE)?

It would be (uNDu) excellent (mElmiyai) (mElmiyaiyuNDu) (mElmiyaiyuNDu); true devotees (sad-bhaktulu) would indeed commend (meccudurE).

O Lord praised (nuta) by this tyAgarAja! O Lord Sri rAma! You should not think that I (nEnu) was born for some sundry purpose.

Notes –

Variations -

<sup>1</sup> – nIvenca valadu – nannenca valadu. ‘enca valadu’ means ‘should not think’. Along with this usage, ‘second person’ would be appropriate. (You should not think). Further with the usage ‘nEnu’ at the end of pallavi, anupallavi and caraNa, in my opinion, ‘nannu’ becomes superfluous. Accordingly, ‘nIvenca valadu’ has been adopted.

<sup>2</sup> – cittamunaku – cittAniki’

<sup>4</sup> - mElmiyaiyuNDu – mElmiyaiyuNDunu.

References -

<sup>3</sup> – vAlmIkAdi munulu narulu – The following versions of rAmAyana are listed in the following website –

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramayana#Variant\\_versions](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramayana#Variant_versions)

Indian Versions - Kambaramayanam in Tamil; Sri Ramacharit Manas by Tulasidas in Awadhi (a dialect of Hindi); Gujarati version by poet Premanand; Bengali version by Krittivas; Oriya version by Balarama Das; Marathi version by Sridhara; Telugu version by Ranganatha; Kannada Ramayana by poet Narahari; Kotha Ramayana in Assamese by poet Madhava Kandali; Adhyathma Ramayanam Kilippattu - Malayalam version by Thunchaththu Ezhuthachan. Mappila Ramayana - popular amongst the muslims of Kerala and Lakshadweep. It is believed that there was an earlier Tamil version of Ramayana which has been lost.

Southeast Asian versions - Kakawin Rāmāyaṇa - old Javanese; Phra Lak Phra Lam - Lao language version; Hikayat Seri Rama of Malaysia; Thailand's popular national epic Ramakien; Ramakavaca of Bali, Maradia Lawana of the Philippines, the Reamker of Cambodia and the Yama Zatdaw of Myanmar.

Contemporary versions - Sri Ramayana Darshanam by Dr. K. V. Puttappa (Kuvempu) in Kannada and Ramayana Kalpavrikshamu by Viswanatha Satyanarayana in Telugu.

Comments -

<sup>5</sup> – sad-bhaktulu meccudurE – The following verse from SrImad-bhAgavatam, Book 1, Chapter 5 is relevant –

nArada said –

tad-vAg-visargO janatAgha-viplavO

yasmin prati-SlOkam-abaddhavaty-api |  
 nAmAny-anantasya yaSO-(a)nkitaNi  
 yacchRNvanti gAyanti gRNanti sAdhavaH || 11 ||

“(On the other hand), that composition which, though faulty in diction, consists of verses each of which contains the names of the immortal Lord, bearing the impress of His glory, wipes out the sins of the people; it is such composition that pious men love to hear, sing and repeat to an audience.”

For complete translation of SrImad-bhAgavataM, please refer to -  
<http://vedabase.net/sb/1/5/11/en>

This kRti might be the fore-runner to, what is described as, ‘tyAgarAja rAmAyaNa’. In this kRti, SrI tyAgarAja seems to seek permission of Lord Himself for what he describes as ‘Sata rAga ratna mAlika’ (garland of hundreds of exquisite rAgas) in kRti ‘rAga ratna’ – rAga rItigauLa. Please also refer to kRti ‘ElAvatAra’ – rAga mukhAri, wherein SrI tyAgarAja asks whether the Lord was born for the purpose of bestowing boons on him for composing such a ‘garland of hundreds of exquisite rAgas’.

### **Devanagari**

- प. ए पनिको जन्मिञ्चिति(न)नि  
नी(वे)ञ्च वलदु श्री राम ने(ने पनि)
- अ. श्री पति श्री रामचन्द्र नी  
चित्तमुनकु तेलियदा ने(ने पनि)
- च. वाल्मी(का)दि मुनुलु नरुलु निनु  
वर्णिञ्चिरि ना(या)स तीरुना  
मेल्मियै(यु)ण्डु सद्भक्तुलु  
मेच्छुदुरे त्यागराज नुत ने(ने पनि)

### **English with Special Characters**

- pa. ē panikō janmiñciti(na)ni  
nī(ve)ñca valadu śrī rāma nē(nē pani)
- a. śrī pati śrī rāmacandra nī  
cittamunaku teliyadā nē(nē pani)
- ca. vālmī(kā)di munulu narulu ninnu  
varṇiñciri nā(yā)sa ḥirunā  
mēlmiyai(yu)ñḍu sadbhaktulu  
meccudurē tyāgarāja nuta nē(nē pani)

## **Telugu**

- ప. ఏ పనికో జన్మిజ్ఞాతి(న)ని  
 నీ(వే)జ్ఞ వలదు శ్రీ రామ నే(నే పని)  
 అ. శ్రీ పతి శ్రీ రామచంద్ర నీ  
 చిత్తమునకు తెలియదా నే(నే పని)  
 చ. వాల్మీకి(కా)ది మునులు సరులు నిన్ను  
 వర్షిజ్ఞారి నా(యా)స తీరునా  
 మేల్కుయై(యు)ణ్ణు సద్గుక్కులు  
 మెచ్చుదురే త్యాగరాజ నుత నే(నే పని)

## **Tamil**

- ப. ஏ பனிகோ ஜுன்மிஞ்சிதி(ன)னி  
 நீ(வே)ஞ்ச வலது<sup>3</sup> ஸ்ரீ ராம நே(னே பனி)  
 அ. ஸ்ரீ பதி ஸ்ரீ ராமசந்தர் நீ  
 சித்தமுனகு தெவியதா<sup>3</sup> நே(னே பனி)  
 ச. வால்மீ(கா)தி<sup>3</sup> முனுலு நருலு நின்னு  
 வர்ணிஞ்சிரி நா(யா)ஸ தீருனா  
 மேல்மியை(யு)ண்டு<sup>3</sup> ஸத<sup>3</sup>-ப<sup>4</sup>க்குலு  
 மெச்சக்டு<sup>3</sup>ரே த்யாகராஜ நுத நே(னே பனி)

நான் எந்தப் பணிக்கோ பிறந்தேனென  
 நீ எண்ணலாகாது, இராமா

மா மணாளா, இராமசந்திரா! உனது  
 உள்ளத்திற்குத் தெரியாதா?  
 நான் எந்தப் பணிக்கோ பிறந்தேனென  
 நீ எண்ணலாகாது, இராமா

வால்மீகி முதலான முனிவர்களும் மனிதர்களும் உள்ளை  
 வருணித்தனர்; எனது ஆசை தீருமா?  
 மேன்மையானதாக இருக்குமே! நற்றொண்டர்கள்  
 மெச்சவரே! தியாகராசனால் போற்றப் பெற்றோனே!  
 நான் எந்தப் பணிக்கோ பிறந்தேனென  
 நீ எண்ணலாகாது, இராமா

எந்த பணிக்கோ - ஒரு குறிக்கோளின்றி என  
 எனது ஆசை - அங்ஙனமே இறைவனை வருணிக்க

## **Kannada**

- ಪ. ಏ ಪನಿಕೋ ಜನ್ಮಿಜ್ಞಾತಿ(ನ)ನಿ  
 ನೀ(ವೇ)ಜ್ಞ ವಲದು ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಮ ನೇ(ನೇ ಪನಿ)

- ଓ. ଶ୍ରୀ ପେତି ଶ୍ରୀ ରାମ୍ଜେନ୍ଦ୍ର ନୀ  
ଚିତ୍ତମୁନକୁ ତେଲିଯଦା ନେ(ନେ ପନି)
- ଛ. ହାଲ୍ମୀ(କା)ଦି ମୁନୁଲୁ ନରୁଲୁ ନିନୁ  
ପରିଜ୍ଞାର ନା(ଯୋ)ସ ତୀରୁନା  
ମେଲ୍ଲିଯ୍ୟ(ଯୁ)ଲ୍ଲୁ ସଦ୍ଧକୁଳ  
ମେଜ୍ଜିଦୁରୀ ତୃଗରାଜ ନୁତ ନେ(ନେ ପନି)

### **Malayalam**

- പ. ഏ പനികോ ജനിഞ്ഞിതി(ന)നി  
നീ(വെ)ഞ്ച വലഭു ശ്രീ രാമ നേ(നേ പനി)  
അ. ശ്രീ പതി ശ്രീ രാമചന്ദ്ര നീ  
ചിത്തമുനകു തെലിയദാ നേ(നേ പനി)
- ച. വാല്മീ(കാ)ദി മുനുലു നരുലു നിനു  
വർണ്ണിഞ്ചിരി നാ(യാ)സ തീരുനാ  
മേല്മിരൈ(യു)ല୍‌യു സംശ്ലേഷതുലു  
മെച്ചുദുരേ തൃഗരାജ നുത നേ(നേ പനി)

### **Assamese**

- প. এ পনিকো জন্মিঞ্চিতি(ন)নি  
নী(বে)ঞ্চ বলদু শ্রী বাম নে(নে পনি)
- অ. শ্রী পতি শ্রী বামচন্দ নী  
চিত্তমুনকু তেলিয়দা নে(নে পনি)
- চ. রাল্মী(কା)ଦି ମୁନୁଲୁ ନରୁଲୁ ନିନୁ  
ବଣିଞ୍ଚିବି ନା(ଯା)ସ ତୀରୁନା  
ମେଲିଯେ(ଯୁ)ଙ୍ଗ ସନ୍ତକୁଳ  
ମେଚୁଦୁରେ ଆଗରାଜ ନୁତ ନେ(ନେ ପନି)

### **Bengali**

- প. এ পনিকো জন্মিঞ্চিতি(ন)নি  
নী(বে)ঞ্চ বলদু শ্রী বাম নে(নে পনি)
- অ. শ্রী পতি শ্রী বামচন্দ নী

ચિત્રમુનકુ તેલિયદા ને(ને પનિ)  
 ચ. વાલ્યી(કા)દિ મુનુલુ નરળુ નિન્ન  
 બળિંગિ ના(યા)સ તીરુના  
 મેલ્લાયે(યુ)ણુ સંકુલુ  
 મેઢુદુરે આગરાજ નૃત ને(ને પનિ)

### **Gujarati**

પ. એ પનિકો જન્મિત્યતિ(ન)નિ  
 ની(વું)ય્ય વલદુ શ્રી મ ને(ને પનિ)  
 અ. શ્રી પતિ શ્રી મયંજ ની  
 ચિત્રમુનકુ તૉલિયદા ને(ને પનિ)  
 થ. વાલ્મી(કા)દિ મુનુલુ નરલુ નિન્ન  
 વાંગિંયિના(યા)સ તીરુના  
 મેટ્રિમયૈ(યુ)ણુ સંભક્તુલુ  
 મુખ્યુણુ ત્યાગાજ નૃત ને(ને પનિ)

### **Oriya**

ପ. ଏ ପନିକୋ ଜନ୍ମିଷ୍ଟି(ନ)ନି  
 ନୀ(ହେ)ଏ ଖଲଦୁ ଶ୍ରୀ ରାମ ନେ(ନେ ପନି)  
 ଅ. ଶ୍ରୀ ପତି ଶ୍ରୀ ରାମଚନ୍ଦ୍ର ନୀ  
 ଚିତ୍ରମୁନକୁ ତେଲିଯଦା ନେ(ନେ ପନି)  
 ୩. ଖାଲୀ(କା)ଦି ମୁନୁଲୁ ନରୁଲୁ ନିନ୍ନ  
 ଖଣ୍ଡିଷ୍ଟି ନା(ଯା)ସ ତୀରୁନା  
 ମେଲ୍ଲାଯେ(ଯୁ)ଣୁ ସଭକୁଲୁ  
 ମେଛୁଦୁରେ ଦ୍ୟାଗରାଜ ନୃତ ନେ(ନେ ପନି)

### **Punjabi**

ਪ. ਏ ਪਨਿਕੋ ਜਨਿਮਵਿਚਤਿ(ਨ)ਨਿ  
 ਨੀ(ਵੇ)ਵਚ ਵਲਦੁ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਰਾਮ ਠੇ(ਠੇ ਪਨਿ)

- ਅ. ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਪਤਿ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਾਮਚਨਦ੍ਰ ਨੀ  
ਚਿੱਤਮੁਨਕੁ ਤੇਲਿਜਦਾ ਨੇ(ਨੇ ਪਨਿ)
- ਚ. ਵਾਲਮੀ(ਕਾ)ਦਿ ਮੁਨੁਲੁ ਨਰੁਲੁ ਨਿੱਨੁ  
ਵਰਿਣਵਿਚਰਿ ਨਾ(ਯਾ)ਸ ਤੀਰੁਨਾ  
ਮੇਲਿਮਯੈ(ਯੁ)ਲੜੁ ਸਦਭਕਤੁਲੁ  
ਮੱਚੁਦੁਰੇ ਤਜਾਗਰਾਜ ਨੁਤ ਨੇ(ਨੇ ਪਨਿ)