

## 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 IR IRR  
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)

### SrI jAnakI manOhara-ISamanOhari

In the kRti 'SrI jAnakI manOhara' – rAga ISamanOhari, SrI tyAgarAja pleads with Lord to have compassion on him.

P SrI jAnakI manOhara SrI rAghava hari  
  
A nA jAlini nIvE telisi  
  <sup>1</sup>namr(A)nanuD(au)Tak(E)mi kAraNamU (SrI)  
  
C nE sEyU dush-karma dEvata  
  nI sannidhini nilva sAgenO  
  nI sEva <sup>2</sup>nilvagan(E)lara  
  nIraj(A)ksha tyAgarAja sannuta (SrI)

#### Gist

O Lord SrI rAgahava who has stolen the heart of SrI jAnakI! O Lord hari!  
O Lotus Eyed! O Lord well-praised by this tyAgarAja!

Having known Yourself my grief, what is the reason for You to avoid - become bent faced - me?

Could the deity of evil deeds done by me stand in Your holy presence?  
Otherwise, why should my services to You halt?

#### Word-by-word Meaning

P O Lord SrI rAgahava who has stolen (hara) the heart (manas) (literally mind) (manOhara) of SrI jAnakI! O Lord hari!

A Having known (telisi) Yourself (nIvE) my (nA) grief (jAlini), what (Emi) is the reason (kAraNamU) for You to avoid - become (auTaku) bent (namra) faced (AnanaDu) (namrAnanuDauTakEmi) - me?

O Lord SrI rAghava who has stolen the heart of SrI jAnakI! O Lord hari!

C Could (sAgenO) the deity (dEvata) of evil deeds (dush-karma) done (sEyu) by me (nE) stand (nilva) in Your (ni) holy presence (sannidhini)? otherwise,

    why (ElarA) should my services (sEva) to You (nI) halt (nilvaganu) (nilvaganElarA)?

O Lotus (nIraja) Eyed (aksha) (nIrAjAksha)! O Lord well-praised (sannuta) by this tyAgarAja!

O Lord SrI rAghava who has stolen the heart of SrI jAnakI! O Lord hari!

Notes –

Variations –

<sup>2</sup> – nilvaganElarA – nilvadElarA. In the present context, 'nilvaganElarA' seems to be appropriate word.

References –

Comments -

<sup>1</sup> – namrAnana – face bent down – normally this is indicative of humbleness or shyness or shame. Also, one might bend his head in order avoid eye-contact with a loathsome, but unavoidable, person.

In the caraNa, SrI tyAgarAja asks ‘could the deity of my evil deeds stand in Your presence’. Therefore, SrI tyAgarAja suspects that the Lord’s bent-face (avoiding eye contact) is because the deity of his evil deeds stands in the holy presence of the Lord.

In some books, it is given as ‘the deity of evil deeds is hiding the Lord’. Though this may be a correct interpretation, the statement of SrI tyAgarAja is not that of ‘hiding’ but ‘avoiding eye contact’.

## Devanagari

प. श्री जानकी मनोहर श्री राघव हरि

अ. ना जालिनि नीवे तेलिसि

न(म्रा)ननु(डौ)ट(के)मि कारणमु (श्री)

च. ने सेयु दुष्कर्म देवत

नी सन्निधिनि निल्व सागेनो

नी सेव निल्वग(ने)लरा

नीर(जा)क्ष त्यागराज सन्नुत (श्री)

## English with Special Characters

pa. śrī jānakī manōhara śrī rāghava hari

a. nā jālini nīvē telisi

na(mrā)nanu(dau)ṭa(kē)mi kāraṇamu (śrī)

ca. nē sēyu duṣkarma dēvata

nī sannidhini nilva sāgenō  
 nī sēva nilvaga(nē)larā  
 nīra(jā)kṣa tyāgarāja sannuta (śrī)

### **Telugu**

- ప. శ్రీ జానకీ మనోహర శ్రీ రాఘవ హరి
- అ. నా జాలిని నీవే తెలిసి  
నమ్రానను(డొ)ట(కే)మి కారణము (శ్రీ)
- చ. నే సేయు దుష్టర్మ దేవత  
నీ పన్నిదిని నిల్య సాగెనో  
నీ సేవ నిల్యగ(నే)లరా  
నీర(జా)క్ష త్యాగరాజ సన్నుత్ (శ్రీ)

### **Tamil**

- ப. பூஞ் ஜானகீ மனோஹர பூஞ் ராக<sup>4</sup>வ ஹரி
- அ. நா ஜாலினி நீவே தெவிலி  
நம்ரானனு(பெடள<sup>3</sup>)ட(கே)மி காரணமு (பூஞ்)
- ச. நே சேயு து<sup>3</sup>ஷ்ட-கர்ம தே<sup>3</sup>வத  
நீ ஸன்னிதி<sup>4</sup>னி நில்வ ஸாகெ<sup>3</sup>னோ  
நீ ஸேவ நில்வக<sup>3</sup>(னே)லரா  
நீர(ஜா)க்ஷ த்யாக<sup>3</sup>ராஜ ஸன்னுத (பூஞ்)

சான்கியின் மனம் கவர்ந்த இராகவா! அரியே!

எனது துயரினை நீயேயறிந்தும்  
 தலைகுனிந்திருக்கக் காரணமென்னவோ?  
 சான்கியின் மனம் கவர்ந்த இராகவா! அரியே!

நான் செய்யும் தீய செயல்களைனும் தேவதை  
 உனது சன்னிதானத்தினில் நிற்க முடிந்ததோ?  
 உனது சேவகள் நிற்பதேன்யா?  
 கமலக்கண்ணா! தியாகராசனால் போற்றப் பெற்றோனே!  
 சான்கியின் மனம் கவர்ந்த இராகவா! அரியே!

தலைகுனிந்திருக்க - காண விரும்பாது

### **Kannada**

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- అ. నా జాలిని నీవే తెలిసి

ন(মা)নন্দ(ডো)ট(কে)মি কারণমু (শ্ৰী)  
 চ. নৈ সৈয় দুষ্টু দেবত  
 নী সন্নিধনি নিলু সাগৰ্মো  
 নী সৈব নিলুগ(নী)লতা  
 নীর(জা)কু ত্বাগৰাজ সন্মুত (শ্ৰী)

### **Malayalam**

പ. ശ്രീ ജാനകീ മനോഹര ശ്രീ രാമവ ഹരി  
 അ. നാ ജാലിനി നീവേ തെലിസി  
 ന(മാ)നനു(യൊ)ട(കേ)മി കാരണമു (ശ്രീ)  
 ച. നേ സേയു ഭൂഷ്ഠകർമ ദേവത  
 നീ സന്നിധിനി നിലു സാഗേനോ  
 നീ സേവ നിലുഗ(നേ)ലരാ  
 നീര(ജാ)ക്ഷ ത്വാഗരാജ സന്മുത (ശ്രീ)

### **Assamese**

প. শ্রী জানকী মনোহৰ শ্রী বাঘৰ হৰি  
 অ. না জালিনি নীৰে তেলিসি  
 ন(মা)ননু(ডো)ট(কে)মি কাৰণমু (শ্ৰী)  
 চ. নে সেয়ু দুষ্কৰ্ম দেৱত  
 নী সন্নিধিনি নিলু সাগেনো  
 নী সেৱ নিলুগ(নে)লৱা  
 নীৰ(জা)ক্ষ আগৰাজ সন্মুত (শ্ৰী)

### **Bengali**

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 চ. নে সেয়ু দুষ্কৰ্ম দেৱত  
 নী সন্নিধিনি নিলু সাগেনো  
 নী সেৱ নিলুগ(নে)লৱা

નીર(જા)ક્ષ આગરાજ સંશુદ્ધ (શ્રી)

### **Gujarati**

- પ. શ્રી જાનકી મનોહર શ્રી રાધવ હરિ  
અ. ના જાલિનિ નીવે તોલિસિ  
ન(મા)નનુ(ડો)ટ(કે)મિ કારણમુ (શ્રી)  
ચ. ને સેયુ દુષ્કર્મ દેવત  
ની સંજીવિનિ નિલ્વ સાગોનો  
ની સેવ નિલ્વગ(ને)લરા  
નીર(જા)ક્ષ ત્યાગરાજ સંશુદ્ધ (શ્રી)

### **Oriya**

- ପ. ଶ୍ରୀ ଜାନକୀ ମନୋହର ଶ୍ରୀ ରାଧା ହରି  
ଆ. ନା ଜାଲିନି ନୀଖେ ତୋଳିଦି  
ନ(ମା)ନନୁ(ଡୋ)ଟ(କେ)ମି କାରଣମୁ (ଶ୍ରୀ)  
ଚ. ନେ ସେଯୁ ଦୁଷ୍କର୍ମ ଦେଖି  
ନୀ ସନ୍ନିଧିନି ନିଲ୍ଲଖ ସାଗେନୋ  
ନୀ ସେଖ ନିଲ୍ଲଖଗ(ନେ)ଲରା  
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### **Punjabi**

- ਪ. ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਜਾਨਕੀ ਮਨੋਹਰ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਾਘਵ ਹਰਿ  
ਆ. ਨਾ ਜਾਲਿਨਿ ਨੀਵੇ ਤੇਲਿਸਿ  
ਨ(ਮਾ)ਨਨੁ(ਡੋ)ਟ(ਕੇ)ਮਿ ਕਾਰਣਮੁ (ਸ਼੍ਰੀ)  
ਚ. ਨੇ ਸੇਯੁ ਦੁ਷ਕਰਮ ਦੇਖਿ  
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ਨੀ ਸੇਖ ਨਿਲ੍ਲਖਗ(ਨੇ)ਲਰਾ  
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