Obeisance to Śiva, the Supreme soul, the matchless ocean of virtues; obeisance to Śiva whose streak of brilliance overpowers the Sun; obeisance to Śiva for whose devotees the dangerous well of worldly life exists but in name; obeisance to Śiva, the foremost kinsman of the learned.

Obeisance to Śiva the protector of that young brahmin boy (Mārkandeya) who was afraid of Yama. Obeisance to Śiva who broke the forehead of the wicked Dakṣa with his trident. Obeisance to Śiva, the primeval cause as well as the destroyer of Yama. Obeisance O Śiva, do protect me now, O repository of compassion.
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ििििस्तुमुख्यदानीत्वे नम: शिवाय
दुधदैवकृष्ण्यसुमेक्तेव नम: शिवाय  ||
सुष्टिरक्षणाय धर्मासैते नम: शिवाय
अष्टमूल्ये वृष्णादेवः नमः शिवाय  ||

I bow to Śiva, the principal donor of things desired. Obeisance to Śiva, the fire of destruction to the wicked host of demons. Obeisance to Śiva, the Creator and Protector, the bridge of dharma. Obeisance to Śiva, the bull-banneled, the God of eightfold form (earth, water, fire, air, ether, Sun, Moon and Yajamāna).

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आपदद्विभेदमहास्तुत्ते नमः शिवाय
पापहरितदिव्यसिंधुमस्ते नमः शिवाय  ||
पापदारिणेः लस्नामस्ते नमः शिवाय
शापदोषवण्डनप्राशस्ते नमः शिवाय  ||

Obeisance to Śiva, whose hand is the chisel that breaks the mountain of calamities. I bow to Śiva on whose head flows the celestial river Ganges that removes all sins. I bow to Śiva, towards whom salutations flow in succession and who destroys sins. I bow to Śiva famous for his destruction of the evils of curse.
(5)

Obeisance to Śiva whose tresses are the space and whose form is divine and auspicious. I bow to Śiva the wielder of the bow in the form of mount Meru. Obeisance to Śiva the utterance of whose name burns all sins and who is inaccessible to those whose hearts hanker after only pleasure.

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Obeisance to Śiva who wears a row of Brahmā’s skulls. Obeisance to Śiva noted for his ear-ring in the form of lordly serpents. Obeisance to Śiva, the author of Vedapaddhati created for the sake of Brahmā. Obeisance to Śiva who kicked with his foot the crooked God of death.
Obeisance to Śiva, the God of pure deeds and the destroyer of Cupid. I bow to Śiva, who feels delighted on listening to the music of Sāmaveda. Obeisance to Śiva who is surrounded by a halo of lustre resembling the Sheen of gold. Obeisance to Śiva who wears the hide of Gajāsura.

Obeisance to Śiva who dispels the horrid sorrow attendant on birth and death. I bow to Śiva whose body is naught but consciousness. I bow to Śiva who fulfils my desires. Obeisance to Śiva, the enemy of Cupid and who dwells in the minds of the wise.
Obeisance to Śiva, the compassionate who is the
kinsman of Kubera. Obeisance to Śiva in whose right
dhand shines a golden pitcher I bow to Śiva who
reposes in the heart of Viṣṇu whose vehicle is Garuda.
Obeisance to Śiva who has an eye on his forehead and
whose mouth is sanctified by the recitation of the
Vedas.

(10)

Obeisance to Śiva who has in his right hand the
holy fire. Obeisance to Śiva who is immortal in
nature and who is saluted by Indra. I bow to
Śiva who reveals his power to the initiated.
Obeisance to Śiva who rides on the sacred bull and
who is the refuge of noble men.

(11)
Obeisance to Śiva who dwells on the summit of (Kailāsa) the silver mountain. Obeisance to Śiva who ever shines with his gentle smile. I pray to Śiva who has the crescent moon to adorn his head and who radiates lustre. Obeisance to Śiva who extends friendship to Kubera.

(12)

दीनमानवालितिकामधेनवे नमः शिवाय
सुनवाणदाहकृत्तुशानवे नमः शिवाय ।
स्वानुरागभक्तरसानवे नमः शिवाय ।
दानवाश्वकोरवण्डवे नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva who is Kāmadhenu to the poor mortals; Obeisance to Śiva, the fire that burnt the flowery arrowed Cupid. Obeisance to Śiva who is a 'Meru' to the loving devotees, and the fierce Sun that dispels the darkness in the form of demons.

(13)

सर्वमङ्गलाकुचक्राशाचायिने नमः शिवाय
सर्वदिव्यताग्निताशाचायिने नमः शिवाय ।
पूर्वदिव्यासत्वनिधायिने नमः शिवाय
सर्वभमन्नोजभक्तायिने नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva who reposes on the bosom of Umā, the auspicious Goddess. Obeisance to Śiva who excels all groups of divinities. I bow to Śiva who causes the destruction of demons. Obeisance to Śiva who destroys all the effects of Cupid.
Obeisance to Śiva who supports the devotees even if they show a little devotion. Obeisance to Śiva whose speech is as sweet as the essence of honey. Obeisance to Śiva who is pleased even with a single bilva leaf. Obeisance to Śiva who dries up the entire sins accumulated in many births.

Obeisance to Śiva who is ever disposed to protect all living beings. Obeisance to Śiva, the protector of his devotees and the beloved Lord of Pārvatī. I bow to Śiva the destroyer of the wicked demoniac forces. Obeisance to Śiva adorned with skulls, who wears the moon (on his head).
Obeisance to Śiva, whose body is resplendent on account of Uma's presence. Pray, protect me. Obeisance to Śiva, the dweller of Kailāsa. Be pleased to grant me a boon. Obeisance to Śiva, who is accompanied by the wives of sages who are infatuated by delusion. I pray to Śiva, the one who grants all that is desired and one who is pleasant since all that He wills are fulfilled.

(17)

Obeisance to Śiva whose mount is the swift bull and who confers auspicious things. Obeisance to Śiva on whose head the river Ganges flows. Obeisance to Śiva who destroyed the enemies who were engaged in battle. I bow to Śiva, the enemy of Cupid, who has an antelope in his hand.

(18)
Obeisance to Śiva who grants anything that is desired the very moment. Obeisance to Śiva, the bull-banne red God who protects those who worship the consecrated fire. Obeisance to Śiva, who by the lustre of his body excels the mineral silver. Obeisance to Śiva who is the fire that destroys the sorrows of worldly life.

(19)
च्यां दीनसंकुलकाक्षः ते नमः शिवाय
दक्षसम्पत्तिनुसारकाक्षः ते नमः शिवाय ।
कक्षराजसुधारकाक्षः ते नमः शिवाय
रक्ष मां प्रज्ञामार्गरक्षः ते नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva, the three-eyed One who extends His graceful look to the poor and noble. I pray to Śiva who skilfully destroyed the sacrifice of Dakṣa and who has his three eyes in the form of the lord of stars (Moon,) the Sun and the fire and who protects anyone who seeks refuge under Him. Be pleased to protect me.

(20)
न्याधुपायेशिवारकार ते नमः शिवाय
सक्षरान्तिनतीर्णकारकार ते नमः शिवाय ।
कक्षभीषिताम्बकरकार ते नमः शिवाय
पक्ष्याननाय रक्षराय ते नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva who bears an antelope in his hand and who brings about auspiciousness. Obeisance to Śiva, the servant of those who have
crossed the ocean of miserable existence. I bow to Śiva who removes the fear from those who are frightened by the God of death. Obeisance to Śiva the doer of auspicious things, whose countenance is as beautiful as lotus.

(21)

कर्मपानानानीलकण्ठे नमः शिवाय
शरदाय वर्षभस्मकण्ठे नमः शिवाय ॥
निर्मितासवितोपकण्ठे नमः शिवाय
कुमः नतीर्मचिन्कुण्ठे नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva, the blue-throated God who destroys the bonds of ‘Karma’. Obeisance to Śiva, the bestower of happiness, who smears his neck with the ash of Cupid. Obeisance to Śiva who is propitiated in his vicinity by the selfless sages. I bow to Śiva who dotes on his devotees. To him, I offer countless salutations.

(22)

विद्यापाधिपाय नमःविष्णवे नमः शिवाय
शिष्यविद्वद्वृद्धचरिष्णवे नमः शिवाय ॥
इष्टवस्तुनित्यचित्रिष्णवे नमः शिवाय
कपिताशानाय लोकजिष्णवे नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva who is bowed to by Viṣṇu and who is the lord of the celestial world. Obeisance to Śiva who moves in the inner recess of the heart of noble brahmans. Obeisance to Śiva the ever victorious and who never has any want for objects of
desire. I pray to Śiva the conqueror of the worlds and the destroyer of ills.

(23)

अप्रमेयदिन्मसुप्रभाव ते नमः शिवाय
सल्पद्रश्नस्तिभाव ते नमः शिवाय
स्वप्रकाश नित्युलानुभाव ते नमः शिवाय
विप्रिडिभिविषितान्तः नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva, the God of immeasurable divine valour. Obeisance to Śiva, whose inherent nature is to protect the good and those who seek his shelter. Obeisance to Śiva, the self-luminous One whose propensities are matchless. I bow to Śiva who showed extreme compassion to that young brahmin boy (Mārkaṇḍeya).

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सचकाय मे मृद प्रसीद ते नमः शिवाय
भावलभ्यतान्तक्षः प्रसाद ते नमः शिवाय ॥

Obeisance to Śiva, be compassionate towards me, Thy servant, be pleased. Obeisance to Śiva whose grace is obtained by devotion. Obeisance to Śiva, One having the eye of fire and whose feet are worshipped by Gods Obeisance to Śiva who causes delight in the minds of devotees who cling to His feet.
Obeisance to Śiva who confers happiness on earth, the bliss of liberation and pleasure in heaven. Obeisance to Śiva who pervades the universe that was produced by his śakti. Obeisance to Śiva the yogin who removes the ills of his devotees. I bow to Śiva who is associated with the lotus-like noble mind of yogins.

Obeisance to Śiva, the destroyer of sins and of the God of death. Obeisance to Śiva, the most auspicious, and the wearer of elephant hide. Obeisance to Śiva the destroyer of distress of those who frequent him for shelter. Obeisance to Śiva who is ever disposed to loving in happiness to all creatures.
Obeisance to Siva, the trident bearer, the wearer of skulls. Obeisance to Śiva, the protector, who wears a row of Brahmā’s skulls. Obeisance to Śiva who plays divine sports and wears strangely enough truncated bodies. I bow to Śiva, the God of all virtues, the God devoted to doing holy things.

This ‘Nakṣatramālika’ is made of gems of verses that contain in each foot the mark of Śivapaṅcākṣara. Any person who recites these verses shall become Śiva who is accompanied by Umā.