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Sri Sri Govardhan Samvasan Prarthana Dasakam

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*nijapati bhujadandacchatrabhavam prapadya
pratihata madadrstoddanda devendragarva
atula prthula sailasrenibhupa priyam me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! You became the umbrella which was held by the arm of your own Lord Krsna! In this way Sri Krsna diminished Indra, the king of the demigods, who was intoxicated by great pride. You are the incomparable king of all the big mountains, please allow me to live close by you.

2.

*pramada madana lilah kandare kandare te
racayati navayunor dvandvam asminn amandam
iti kila kalanartham lagnakastam dvayor me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! The young Divine Couple, Sri Sri Radha-Krsna, play splendid wild erotic games in your every cave, so I became very eager to see Them there. Please allow me to live close by you.

3.

*anupama manivedi ratnasimhasanorvi
ruhajhara darasanu dronisanghesu rangaih
saha balasakhibhiih samkhelayan svapriyam me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! In topmost joy Krsna plays together with Balarama and the cowherd boys in your incomparable jeweled pavilions and thrones, in the hollows of your trees, in your caves, and valleys. Please allow me to live close by you!

4.

*rasannidhi navayunoh saksinim danakeler
dyuti parimalaviddham syamavedim prakasya
rasikavarakulanam modam asphalayan me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! You are the witness of Radha and Krsna's tax gave (In which Krsna charges tax from the ghee the gopis carry on their heads) which is an ocean of mellows. You increase the joy of the mellows of the devotees with your display of bluish platforms that are full of splendour and fragrance. Please allow me to live close by you!

5.

*haridayitam apurvam radhikakundam atma
priasakham iha kanthe narmahalingya guptah
navayuvayuga kholas tatra pasyan raho me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! You affectionately and secretly embrace the neck of your own dear friend, Sri Radha Kunda, the place which is very dear to you and Lord Hari. Please allow me to live close by you and show me the intimate pastimes of the Divine Young Couple there!

6.

*sthalajala tala saspair bhuruhacchayaya ca
pratipadam anukalam hanta samvardhayan gah
trijagati nijagotram-sarthakam khyapayan me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! You make your name, keeper of cows, successfully constantly giving land, water, grass and the shade of your trees to the cows and thus you are famous in the three worlds. Please allow me to live close by you!

7.

*surapati krta dirgha drohato gostharaksam
tava nava grharupasyantare kurvataiva
agha-bakaripunocair dattamana drutam me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! Your glories are increased by the enemy of Aghasura and Bakasura, Sri Krsna, when He protected the Vrajavasis and vanquished Indra by quickly using you as their new shelter from the rain. Please allow me to live close by you.!

8.

*girinirpa haridasa srenivaryeti nama
mrtam idamuditam sri radhika vaktracandrat
vraja nava tilakatve klpta vedaih sphutam me
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! King of mountains! Because the nectar of your name as Hari's best servant emanated from Srimati Radharani's pearl-like mouth, which was revealed by Vedic scriptures like Srimad Bhagavatam (10.21.18), you are called the new tilaka (because of your long thin bluish shape at the edge of Vraja) of Vraja. Please allow me to live close by you.

9.

*nijajanayuta radhaksna maitrir asakta
vraja nara pasu paksi vrata saukhyaikadata
aganita karunatvan mam urikrtya tantam
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! You are the only giver of joy to Sri Sri Radha Krsna and Their associates, that are always surrounded by the people, animals and birds of Vraja in the mood of friendship. Please mercifully accept me and allow me to live close by you.

10.

*nirupadhi karunena sri sacinandanena
tvayi kapati satho pi tvat priyena pito smi
iti khalu mama योग्ययोग्यताम अग्रहण
nija nikata nivasa dehi govardhana tvam*

O Govardhan! Although I am vile and deceitful, the causelessly merciful Sri Sacinandana submitted me to you. Therefore, do not consider whether I am qualified or unqualified and accept me. Allow me please to live close by you.

11.

*rasada dasakam asya srila govardhanasya
ksitidharakulabhartur yah prayatnad adhite
sa sapadi sukhade smin vasam asadya saksac
chubhada yugala seva ratnam aploti turnam*

Anyone who carefully recites these ten verses praising the king of mountains Srila Govardhan, that are the givers of divine mellows, will swiftly attain a place to live close by Govardhan, the bestower of bliss, and he will attain the precious jewel of the auspicious loving service of the Divine Couple, Sri Sri Radha Krsna.