

### **Divine Armor of Protection by Divine Mother**

**Devi Kavacham** 

**English Transliteration with Meaning in English** 

## devī mahātmyam devi kavacam om namaścandikāyai

#### nyāsaḥ

asya śrī caṇḍī kavacasya | brahmā ṛṣiḥ | anuṣṭup chandaḥ |
cāmuṇḍā devatā | aṅganyāsokta mātaro bījam | navāvaraṇo mantraśaktiḥ | digbandha
devatāḥ tatvam | śrī

jagadambā prītyarthe saptaśatī pāţhāngatvena jape viniyogan | |

#### om namaścandikayai

#### mārkaņģeya uvāca |

om yadguhyam paramam loke sarvarakṣākaram nṛṇām | yanna kasyacidākhyātam tanme brūhi pitāmaha || 1 ||

#### brahmovāca |

asti guhyatamam vipra sarvabhūtopakārakam |

devyāstu kavacam puṇyam tacchṛṇuṣva mahāmune || 2 ||

prathamam śailaputrī ca dvitīyam brahmacāriṇī |

tṛtīyam candraghaṇṭeti kūṣmāṇḍeti caturthakam || 3 ||

pañcamam skandamāteti ṣaṣṭham kātyāyanīti ca |

saptamam kālarātrīti mahāgaurīti cāṣṭamam || 4 ||

navamam siddhidātrī ca navadurgāḥ prakīrtitāḥ |

uktānyetāni nāmāni brahmaṇaiva mahātmanā || 5 ||

agninā dahyamānastu śatrumadhye gato raṇe |

viṣame durgame caiva bhayārtāḥ śaraṇam gatāḥ || 6 ||

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na teşām jāyate kiñcidaśubham ranasankaţe
   nāpadam tasya paśyāmi śokaduḥkhabhayam na hi | | 7 | |
    yaistu bhaktyā smṛtā nūnam teṣām vṛddhiḥ prajāyate |
    ye tvām smaranti deveśi rakşase tānnasamśayah | | 8 | |
        pretasamsthā tu cāmundā vārāhī mahisāsanā |
       aindrī gajasamārūḍhā vaiṣṇavī garuḍāsanā | | 9 | |
          māheśvarī vṛṣārūḍhā kaumārī śikhivāhanā |
    lakşmīḥ padmāsanā devī padmahastā haripriyā | 10 | |
           śvetarūpadharā devī īśvarī vṛṣavāhanā |
    brāhmī haṃsasamārūḍhā sarvābharaṇabhūṣitā | 11 | |
         ityetā mātaraḥ sarvāḥ sarvayogasamanvitāḥ |
    nānābharaṇāśobhāḍhyā nānāratnopaśobhitāḥ | 12 | |
      drśyante rathamārūdhā devyah krodhasamākulāh |
śankham cakram gadām śaktim halam ca musalāyudham | 13 | |
       kheţakam tomaram caiva paraśum pāśameva ca |
 kuntāyudham triśūlam ca śārngamāyudhamuttamam | 14 | |
       daityānām dehanāśāya bhaktānāmabhayāya ca |
   dhārayantyāyudhānīttham devānām ca hitāya vai | 15 | 1
      namaste2_stu mahāraudre mahāghoraparākrame |
       mahābale mahotsāhe mahābhayavināśini | 16 | |
     trāhi mām devi duşprekşye śatrūnām bhayavardhini |
   prācyām rakṣatu māmaindrī āgneyyāmagnidevatā | 17 | |
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dakşine patu vārāhī nairṛtyām khadgadhārinī |
   pratīcyām vāruņī raksedvāyavyām mṛgavāhinī | 18 | |
       udīcyām pātu kaumārī aiśānyām śūladhāriņī |
ūrdhvam brahmānī me raksedadhastādvaisnavī tathā | 19 | |
       evam daśa diśo rakseccāmundā śavavāhanā |
    jayā me cāgratah pātu vijayā pātu pṛṣṭhatah | | 20 | |
          ajitā vāmapāršve tu daksiņe cāparājitā |
  śikhāmudyotinī rakṣedumā mūrdhni vyavasthitā | 21 | |
       mālādharī lalāţe ca bhruvau rakṣedyaśasvinī
 trinetrā ca bhruvormadhye yamaghantā ca nāsike | 22 | |
      śańkhini caksusormadnye śrotrayordvaravasini |
     kapolau kālikā raksetkarņamūle tu śānkarī | 23 |
       nāsikāyām sugandhā ca uttarosthe ca carcikā |
      adhare cāmṛtakalā jihvāyām ca sarasvatī | 24 | |
      dantān raksatu kaumārī kanthadese tu candikā |
   ghantikām citraghantā ca mahāmāyā ca tāluke | 25 | |
     kāmākşī cibukam rakşedvācam me sarvamangaļā |
 grīvāyām bhadrakāļī ca prsthavamse dhanurdharī | 26 | |
        nīlagrīvā bahiḥ kanthe nalikām nalakūbarī |
 skandhayon khadginī raksedbāhū me vajradhārinī | 27 | |
       hastayordandinī raksedambikā cāngulīsu ca
   nakhāñchūleśvarī rakṣetkukṣau rakṣetkuleśvarī | 28 | |
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stanau raksenmahādevī manahsokavināsinī
        hṛdaye lalitā devī udare śūladhāriņī | 29 | |
    nābhau ca kāminī rakṣedguhyam guhyeśvarī tathā |
    pūtanā kāmikā medhram gude mahişavāhinī | 30 | |
       kaţyām bhagavatī rakşejjānunī vindhyavāsinī |
    janghe mahābalā raksetsarvakāmapradāyinī | 31 | |
       gulphayornārasimhī ca pādaprsthe tu taijasī |
     pādāngulīşu śrī rakşetpādādhastalavāsinī | 32 |
     nakhān damstrakarālī ca keśāmścaivordhvakeśinī
    romakūpeşu kauberī tvacam vāgīśvarī tathā | | 33 | |
      raktamajjāvasāmāmsānyasthimedāmsi pārvatī |
     antrāņi kālarātriśca pittam ca mukuţeśvarī | 34 | |
      padmāvatī padmakośe kaphe cūdāmanistathā |
  jvālāmukhī nakhajvālāmabhedyā sarvasandhişu | 35 | |
  śukram brahmāni! me raksecchāyām chatreśvarī tathā |
ahankāram mano buddhim raksenme dharmadhārinī | 36 | |
    prāṇāpānau tathā vyānamudānam ca samānakam |
  vajrahastā ca me raksetprāņam kalyāņašobhanā | 37 | |
      rase rūpe ca gandhe ca śabde sparśe ca yoginī
   sattvam rajastamaścaiva raksennārāyanī sadā | | 38 | |
       āyū rakşatu vārāhī dharmam rakşatu vaişnavī |
yaśaḥ kīrtim ca lakṣmīm ca dhanam vidyām ca cakrinī | 39 | |
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gotramindrāni! me raksetpašūnme raksa candike |
putrān raksenmahālaksmīrbhāryām raksatu bhairavī | 40 | |
    panthānam supathā raksenmārgam ksemakarī tathā |
    rājadvāre mahālakşmīrvijayā sarvatah sthitā | 41 | |
     rakṣāhīnam tu yat-sthānam varjitam kavacena tu |
    tatsarvam rakşa me devi! jayantī pāpanāśinī | 42 | |
   padamekam na gacchettu yadīcchecchubhamātmanaḥ |
    kavacenāvrto nityam yatra yatraiva gacchati | 43 | |
       tatra tatrārthalābhaśca vijayaḥ sārvakāmikaḥ |
yam yam cintayate kāmam tam tam prāpnoti niścitam | | 44 | |
     paramaiśvaryamatulam prāpsyate bhūtale pumān |
   nirbhayo jāyate martyah sangrāmesvaparājitah | 45 | |
      trailokye tu bhavetpūjyah kavacenāvṛtah pumān |
  idam tu devyāḥ kavacam devānāmapi durlabham | 46 | |
  yah pathetprayato nityam trisandhyam śraddhayanvitah
     daivīkalā bhavettasya trailokyeşvaparājitaḥ | 47 | |
        jīvedvarşaśatam sāgramapamṛtyuvivarjitah |
   naśyanti vyādhayah sarve lūtāvisphoţakādayah | | 48 | |
    sthāvaram jangamam caiva krtrimam caiva yadvisam
     abhicārāni sarvāni mantrayantrāni bhūtale | 49 | |
        bhūcarāḥ khecarāścaiva julajāścopadeśikāḥ |
        sahajā kulajā mālā dākinī sākinī tathā | | 50 | |
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antarikşacarā ghorā ḍākinyaśca mahābalāḥ |
grahabhūtapiśācāśca yakṣagandharvarākṣasāḥ || 51 ||
brahmarākṣasavetālāḥ kūṣmāṇḍā bhairavādayaḥ |
naśyanti darśanāttasya kavace hṛdi saṃsthite || 52 ||
mānonnatirbhavedrāṅñastejovṛddhikaraṃ param |
yaśasā vardhate so²pi kīrtimaṇḍitabhūtale || 53 ||
japetsaptaśatīṃ caṇḍīṃ kṛtvā tu kavacaṃ purā |
yāvadbhūmaṇḍalaṃ dhatte saśailavanakānanam || 54 ||
tāvattiṣṭhati medinyāṃ santatiḥ putrapautrikī |
dehānte paramaṃ sthānaṃ yatsurairapi durlabham || 55 ||
prāpnoti puruṣo nityaṃ mahāmāyāprasādataḥ |
labhate paramaṃ rūpaṃ śivena saha modate || 56 ||
|| iti vārāhapurāṇe hariharabrahma viracitaṃ devyāḥ kavacaṃ sampūrṇam ||
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# English Meaning of Devi Kavacham from the Book "2012 Enlightened" by Brad C Carrigan

Amen. Salutations to Naranaratam, that is, Shri Vishnu.

Amen. Salutations to The Goddess Saraswati. Salutations to Ved-Vyasa, that is, Sage Vyasa, the all knowing.

Now begins the "Kavach" of The Devi.

The Presiding Sage for Shri Chandi-Kavach is Brahma, the metre is Anushtup. The Presiding Deity is Chamunda; The Main Seed is "Anganyasakta Matar". The Principle is Digbandha Devata. It is recited as part of Sapta-Shati, to please Jagadamba.

Amen. Obeisance to Chandika.

#### Thus spoke Markandeya:

AUM, O Brahmadeva, please tell me that which is very secret and has not been told by anyone to anybody else and which protects all human beings in this world.

Brahmadeva said: Brahmin, there is Devi Kavach which is most secret and is useful to all beings. Please listen to that, O Great Sage.

The following nine names, have been created by the Great Soul Brahmadeva himself.

#### Durga is known by these names:

First,	Shailaputri	Daughter of the King of Himalayas,
Second,	Brahmacharini	One Who observes the state of Celibacy,
Third, neck,	Chandraganta	One Who bears the Moon around Her
Fourth,	Kooshmanda	Whose Void contains the Universe
Fifth,	Skandamata	Who gave birth to Karttikeya,
Sixth,	Katyayani	Who incarnated to help the Devas,
Seventh,	Kalaratri	Who is even the destroyer of Kali,
Eighth,	Mahagauri	One Who made great penances,
Ninth,	Siddhidatri	One Who grants Moksha.

Those of you whom are frightened, who have been surrounded by the enemies on the Battle field, or are burning in fire, or being at an impassable place, would face no Calamity, and would never have grief, sorrow, fear, or evil, if they surrender to Durga.

Those who remember you with great devotion indeed have prosperity. Undoubtedly, O Goddess of The Gods, You protect those who remember you.

The Goddess Chamunda sits on a corpse, Varahi rides on a buffalo, Aindri is Mounted on an elephant and Vaishnavi on a condor.

Maheshwari is riding on a bull, the vehicle of Kaumari is the peacock, Lakshmi, the Beloved of Shri Vishnu is seated in a lotus and is also holding a lotus in Her Hand.

The Goddess Ishwari, of white complexion, is riding on a bull and Brahmi, Who is Bedecked with all omaments is seated on a swan.

All the mothers are endowed with Yoga and are adorned with different ornaments and jewels.

All the Goddesses are seen mounted in chariots and very angry. They are wielding conch, discus, mace, plough, club, javelin, axe, noose, barbed dart, trident, bow and arrows. These Goddesses are wielding their weapons for destroying the bodies of demons, for the protection of Their devotees and for the benefit of The Gods.

Salutations to You, O Goddess, of very dreadful appearance, of frightening valor, of tremendous strength and energy, the destroyer of the worst fears.

O Devi, it is difficult to have even a glance at You. You increase the fears of Your enemies, please come to my rescue. May Goddess Aindri protect me from the east. Agni Devata (Goddess of Fire) from the south-east, Varahi (Shakti of Vishnu in the form of the boar) from the south, Khadgadharini (Wielder of the sword) from the south-west, Varuni (The Shakti of Varuna the rain God) from the west and Mrgavahini, (whose vehicle is the deer) may protect me from the north-west.

The Goddess Kaumari (The Shakti of Kumar, that is, Karttikeya) protect me from the north and Goddess Shooladharini from the north-east, Brahmani, (The Shakti of Brahma) from above and Vaishnavi (Shakti of Vishnu) from below, protect me.

Thus Goddess Chamunda, Who sits on a corpse, protects me from all the ten directions. May Goddess Jaya protect me from the front and Vijaya from the rear; Ajita from the left and Aparajita from the right. Goddess Dyotini may protect the top-knot and Uma may sit on my head and protect it.

May I be protected by Maladhari on the forehead. Yashaswini on the eyebrows, Trinetra between the eye-brows, Yamaghanta on the nose, Shankini on both the eyes, Dwaravasini on the ears, may Kalika protect my cheeks and Shankari the roots of the ears.

May I be protected by Sugandha-nose, Charchika-lip, Amrtakala-lower lip, Saraswati-tongue, Kaumari-teeth, Chandika-throat, Chitra-ghanta-sound box, Mahamaya-crown of the head, Kamakshi-chin, Sarvamangala-speech, Bhadrakali-neck, Dhanurdhari-back.

May Neelagreeva protect the outer part of my throat and Nalakoobariwindpipe, may Khadgini protect my shoulders and Vajra-dharini protect my arms.

May Devi Dandini protect both my hands, Ambika-fingers, Shooleshwari my nails and may Kuleshwari protect my belly.

May I be protected, by Mahadevi-breast, Shuladharini-abdomen, Lalita Deviheart, Kamini-navel, Guhyeshwari-hidden parts, Pootana-kamikareproductive organs, Mahishavahini-rectum.

May Goddess Bhagavati protect my waist, Vindhyavasini-knees and the wish-fulfilling Mahabala may protect my hips.

May Narasinhi protect my ankles. May Taijasi protect my feet, may Shri protect my toes. May Talavasini protect the soles of my feet.

May Danshtrakarali protect my nails, Urdhvakeshini-hair, Kauberi-pores, Vagishwari-skin.

May Goddess Parvati protect blood, marrow of the bones, fat and bone; Goddess Kalaratri-intestines, Mukuteshwari-bile and liver.

May Padmavati protect the Chakras, Choodamani-phlegm (or longs), Jwalamukhi lustre of the nails and Abhedya-all the joints.

Brahmani-semen, Chhatreshwari the shadow of my body, Dharmadhariniego, superego and intellect (buddhi).

Vajrahasta-pran, apan, vyan, udan, saman (five vital breaths). Kalyanashobhana-pranas (life force).

May Yogini protect the sense organs, that is, the faculties of tasting, seeing, smelling, hearing and touching.

May Narayni protect satwa, raja and tamo gunas. Varahi-the life, Vaishnavi-

dharma, Lakshmi-success and fame, Chakrini-wealth and knowledge. Indrani-relatives, Chandika-cattle, Mahalakshmi-children and Bhairavi-spouse.

Supatha may protect my journey and Kshemakari my way. Mahalakshmi may protect me in the king's courts and Vijaya everywhere.

O Goddess Jayanti, any place that has not been mentioned in the Kavach and has thus remained unprotected, may be protected by you.

One should invariably cover oneself with this Kavacha (by reading) wherever one goes and should not walk even a step without it if one desires Auspiciousness. Then one is successful everywhere and all one's desires are fulfilled and that person enjoys great prosperity on the earth.

The person who covers himself with Kavach becomes fearless, is never defeated in the battle and becomes worthy of being worshipped in the three worlds.

One who reads with faith every day thrice (morning, afternoon and evening), the 'Kavacha' of the Devi, which is inaccessible even to the Gods, receives the Divine arts, is undefeated in the three worlds, lives for a hundred years and is free from accidental death.

All diseases, like boils, scars, etc. are finished. Moveable (scorpions and snakes) and immovable (other) poisons cannot affect him.

All those, who cast magical spells, by mantras or yantras, on others for evil purposes, all bhoots, goblins, malevolent beings moving on the earth and in the sky, all those who mesmerize others, all female goblins, all yakshas and gandharvas are destroyed just by the sight of the person having Kavach in his Heart.

That person receives more and more respect and prowess. On the earth he rises in prosperity and fame by reading the Kavacha and Saptashati.

His progeny would live as long as the earth is rich with mountains and forests. By the grace of Mahamaya, he would attain the highest place, that is inaccessible even to the Gods and is eternally blissful in the company of Lord Shiva.