

## Transliteration–Telugu

Transliteration as per 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 G  
c ch j jh J (jn – as in jnAna)  
T Th D Dh N  
t th d dh n  
p ph b bh m  
y r l L v  
z S s h

### paramAtmuDu-vAgadhIzvari

In the kRti ‘paramAtmuDu veligE muccaTa’ – rAga vAgadhIzvari, zrI tyAgarAja presents a wonderful description of paramAtmA.

P	paramAtmuDu veligE muccaTa bAga telusukOrE
A	hari(y)aTa haruD(a)Ta surul(a)Ta narul(a)Ta akhil(A)NDa kOTul(a)Ta- (y)andarilO (parama)
C	gagan(A)anila tEjO-jala bhU-mayamagu mRga khaga naga taru kOTulalO saguNamulO viguNamulO satatamu sAdhu tyAgarAj(A)di(y)AzritulalO (parama)

#### Gist

Know unerringly the grandeur with which the Supreme Lord is effulgent!  
They say He is - Lord viSNu, Lord ziva, celestials, men, millions of universes – know unerringly the grandeur with which the Supreme Lord is effulgent in all these.

Know unerringly the grandeur with which the Supreme Lord is ever effulgent - in millions of (animate and inanimate) animals, birds, mountains and trees which are made up of (five) elements - the space, air, fire, water and earth; with (three) qualities and bereft of or beyond qualities; and in this pious tyAgarAja and others who have sought refuge in Him.

#### Word-by-word Meaning

P Know (telusukOrE) unerringly (bAga) the grandeur (muccaTa) with which the Supreme Lord (paramAtmuDu) is effulgent (veligE)!

A They say (aTa) He is - Lord viSNu (hari) (hariyaTa), Lord ziva (haruDu) (haruDaTa), celestials (surulu) (surulaTa), men (narulu) (narulaTa), millions of (kOTula) (kOTulaTa) universes (anDa) –

know unerringly the grandeur with which the Supreme Lord is effulgent in all (akhila) (akhilANDa) these (andaru) (andarilO) (kOTulaTayandarilO).

C Know unerringly the grandeur with which the Supreme Lord is ever (satatamu) effulgent -

in millions (kOtulalO) of (animate and inanimate) animals (mRga), birds (khaga), mountains (naga) and trees (taru) which are made up of (mayamagu) (five) elements - the space (gagana), air (anila) (gaganAnila), fire (tEjas), water (jala) (tEjO-jala) and earth (bhU) (bhU-mayamagu);

with (three) qualities (sa-guNamulO) and bereft of or beyond qualities (vi-guNamulO); and

in this pious (sAdhu) tyAgarAja (tyAgarAju) and others (Adi) who have sought refuge (Azritulu) (tyAgarAdiyAzritulalO) in Him.

Notes -

P – paramAtmuDu – Normally ‘paramAtman’ is indicated by ‘It’ – neuter gender. However, here zrI tyAgarAja uses ‘masculine gender’. Therefore, it has been translated as ‘He’.

P – veligE – This is how it is given in the books of Shri TKG and Shri TSV/AKG. However in the book of Shri CR and ATK, it is given as ‘velugu’. This needs to be checked. Any suggestions ???

P – telusukOrE – this kRti is addressed to his (tyAgarAja’s) mind.

A – andarilO – As perishable (kSara) and imperishable (kUTastha – akSara). In this regard the following verses of zrImad bhagavad gItA, Chapter 14 are relevant –

dvAvimau puruSau lOkE kSarascAkSara Eva ca |  
kSara: sarvANi bhUtAni kUTasthO(a)kSara ucyatE ||  
uttama: puruSastvanya: paramAtmEtyudahRta: |  
yO lOkatryamAvizya bibhartyavyaya Izvara: || 16, 17 ||

“There ar two puruSas in the world – the Perishable and the Imperishable. All beings are the Perishable, and the kUTastha is called the Imperishable.

But (there is) another, the Supreme PuruSa, called the Highest Self, the Immutable Lord, who pervading the three worlds, sustain them.” (Translation by Swami Swarupananda)

C – saguNamulO viguNamulO – This is how it is given in all the books other than that of Shri TKG wherein it is given as ‘sagaNamulalO viguNamulalO’. This needs to be checked. Any suggestions ???

C – saguNamulO viguNamulO – this can be taken as ‘with form’ – (saguNa) and ‘without form’ – (nirguNa) also.

C – viguNa – This can be taken as ‘without qualities’ or ‘bad qualities’. However, considering the previous word ‘saguNa’ – ‘with guNa’, ‘vigunNa’ has been translated as ‘bereft of guNas’. In this regard the following verse of zrImad bhAgavataM, Book 3, Chapter 24, where ‘vigunNa’ has been taken to mean ‘devoid of three guNas’ is relevant –

manO brahmaNi yuJjAnO yattatsadasata: paraM |  
guNAvabhAsE viguNa EkabhaktyAnubhAvitE || 43 ||

"He fixed his mind on brahman (the infinite), who is beyond both cause and effect, who, though devoid of the three guNas (modes of prAkRti), yet brings them to light, and who had been realised through exclusive devotion."

C – viguNa – Even if translated as ‘bad qualities’, it can still apply to the Supreme Lord. This is clear from the following verse from zrImad-bhagavad-gItA, Chapter 10 –

dyUtaM chalayatAmasmi tEjastEjasvinAmahaM |  
jayO(a)smi vyavasAyO(a)smi sattvaM sattvavatAmahaM || 36 ||

"I am the gambling of the fraudulent, I am the power of the powerful; I am the victory, I am effort, I am sattva of the sAttvika." (Translation by Swami Swarupananda)

General - The kRti is set to a very melodious rAga so appropriately chosen by zrI tyAgarAja to express the mood; it seems to flow so beautifully and naturally. If the musicians who render this kRti contemplate on the meaning even very briefly, it will transport both the renderer and the listener to ecstasy. If one proof is required to justify the statement that the kRtis of zrI tyAgarAja are equivalent to upaniSads, this kRti satisfies it.

## Devanagari

प. परमात्मुदु वेलिगे मुञ्चट बाग तेलुसुकोरे  
अ. हरि(य)ट हरु(ड)ट सुरु(ल)ट नरु(ल)ट  
अखि(ल)ण्ड कोटु(ल)ट(य)न्दरिलो (प)  
च. गग(ना)निल तेजो-जल भू-मयमगु  
मृग खग नग तरु कोटुललो  
स-गुणमुलो वि-गुणमुलो सततमु  
साधु त्यागरा(जा)दि(या)श्रितुललो (प)

## English with Special Characters

pa. paramātmuḍu veligē muccaṭa  
bāga telusukōrē  
a. hari(ya)ṭa haru(ḍa)ṭa suru(la)ṭa naru(la)ṭa  
akhi(lā)ṇḍa kōṭu(la)ṭa(ya)ndarilō (pa)  
ca. gaga(nā)nila tējō-jala bhū-mayamagu  
mṛga khaga naga taru kōṭulalō  
sa-guṇamulō vi-guṇamulō satatamu  
sādhu tyāgarā(jā)di(yā)śritulalō (pa)

## **Telugu**

- ప. పరమాత్మ వెలిగే ముచ్చట బాగ తెలుసుకోరే  
 అ. హరి(య)ట హరు(డ)ట సురు(ల)ట నరు(ల)ట  
     అఖి(లా)ణై కోటు(ల)ట(య)న్దరిలో (ప)  
 చ. గగ(నా)నిల తేజో-జల భూ-మయమగు  
     మృగ ఖగ నగ తరు కోటులలో  
     స-గుణములో వి-గుణములో సతతము  
     సాధు త్యాగరాజు(జా)ది(యా)శ్రీతులలో (ప)

## **Tamil**

- ப. பரமாத்மு<sup>3</sup> வெவிகே<sup>3</sup> முச்சட  
     பா<sup>3</sup>க<sup>3</sup> தெ<sup>3</sup>லுஸாகோரே  
 அ. ஹரி(ய)ட ஹரு(ட<sup>3</sup>)ட ஸாரு(ல)ட நரு(ல)ட  
     அகிலாண்ட<sup>3</sup> கோடு(ல)ட(ய)ந்தரிலோ (ப)  
 ச. க<sup>3</sup>க<sup>3</sup>(னா)னில தேஜோ-ஜல பூ<sup>4</sup>-மயமகு<sup>3</sup>  
     ம்ருக<sup>3</sup> க<sup>3</sup>க<sup>3</sup> நக<sup>3</sup> தரு கோடுலலோ  
     ஸ-கு<sup>3</sup>ணமுலோ வி-கு<sup>3</sup>ணமுலோ ஸததமு  
     ஸாது<sup>4</sup> த்யாக<sup>3</sup>ரா(ஜா)தி<sup>3</sup>(யா) ஸ்ரிதுலலோ (ப)

பரம்பொருள் ஓளிரும் அழகினை  
 நன்கு தெரிந்துகொள்வாய்

அரியாம், அரனாம், வானோராம், மனிதராம்,  
 எண்ணற்கரிய அண்டங்களாம், யாவற்றிலும்  
 பரம்பொருள் ஓளிரும் அழகினை  
 நன்கு தெரிந்துகொள்வாய்

ஆகாயம், காற்று, நெருப்பு, நீர், புவி- (ஜம்பூதங்களின்) மயமான  
 கோடிக்கணக்கான மிருகங்கள், பறவைகள், மலைகள், மரங்களிலும்,  
 குணங்களிலும், குணங்களின்றியும், எவ்வமயமும்,  
 நற்குணமுடைத்த தியாகராசன் முதலான (அவனை) விழைந்தோரிலும்  
 பரம்பொருள் ஓளிரும் அழகினை  
 நன்கு தெரிந்துகொள்வாய்

யாவற்றிலும் - வெளித்தோற்றமாகவும், உள்ளியக்கமாகவும்  
 குணங்களிலும் - சத்துவம் முதலான முக்குணங்கள்  
 குணங்களின்றி - நீர்குணமாகவும்  
 குணங்களிலும், குணங்களின்றியும் - உருவமாகவும் அருவமாகவும்  
 என்றும் கொள்ளலாம்  
 குணங்களின்றியும் - இதை தீய குணங்களுடையோரிலும்  
 பரம்பொருளே ஓளிர்கின்றது எனவும் கொள்ளலாம்

## **Kannada**

- ಪ. ಪರಮಾತ್ಮಾದು ವೆಲಿಗೇ ಮುಚ್ಚೆಟ ಬಾಗ ತೆಲುಸುಕೋರೇ  
 ಅ. ಹರಿ(ಯ)ಟ ಹರು(ಡ)ಟ ಸುರು(ಲ)ಟ ನರು(ಲ)ಟ  
     ಅವಿ(ಲಾ)ಣ್ಣ ಕೋಟು(ಲ)ಟ(ಯ)ನ್ನರಿಲೋ (ಪ)  
 ಚ. ಗಗ(ನಾ)ನಿಲ ತೇಜೋ-ಜಲ ಭೂ-ಮಯಮನು  
     ಮೃಗ ಖಗ ನಗ ತರು ಕೋಟುಲಲೋ  
     ಸ-ಗುಣಮುಲೋ ವಿ-ಗುಣಮುಲೋ ಸತತಮು  
     ಸಾಧು ತ್ಯಾಗರಾ(ಜಾ)ದಿ(ಯಾ)ಶ್ರಿತುಲಲೋ (ಪ)

## **Malayalam**

- പ. ಪರಮಾತ್ಮಾಯ ವೆಲಿಗೆ ಮುಚ್ಚಾ ಬಾಗ ತೆಲುಸುಕೋರೆ  
 ಅ. ಹರಿ(ಯ)ട ಹರು(ಯ)ಟ ಸುರು(ಲ)ಟ ನರು(ಲ)ಟ  
     ಅವಿ(ಲಾ)ಣ್ಣ ಕೋಟು(ಲ)ಟ(ಯ)ನ್ನರಿಲೋ (ಪ)  
 ಚ. ಗಗ(ಗಾ)ನಿಲ ತೇಜೋ-ಜಲ ಭೂ-ಮಯಮಗ್ಗ  
     ಮೃಗ ವಗ ನಗ ತರು ಕೋಟುಲಲೋ  
     ಸ-ಗುಣಮುಲೋ ವಿ-ಗುಣಮುಲೋ ಸತತಮು  
     ಸಾಯು ತ್ಯಾಗರಾ(ಜಾ)ದಿ(ಯಾ)ಶ್ರಿತುಲಲೋ (ಪ)

## **Assamese**

- প. পৰমাত্মুড়ু বেলিগে মুচ্ছট বাগ তেলুসুকোৰে  
 অ. হৰি(য়)ট হৰু(ড)ট সুৰু(ল)ট নৰু(ল)ট  
     অখি(লা)ণ্ণ কোটু(ল)ট(য)ন্দৰিলো (প)  
 চ. গগ(না)নিল তেজো-জল ভূ-ময়মণ্ড  
     মৃগ খগ নগ তরু কোটুললো  
     স-গুণমুলো বি-গুণমুলো সততমু  
     সাধু আগৱা(জা)দি(য়া)শ্ৰীতুললো (প)

## **Bengali**

- প. পৰমাত্মুড়ু বেলিগে মুচ্ছট বাগ তেলুসুকোৰে  
 অ. হৰি(য়)ট হৰু(ড)ট সুৰু(ল)ট নৰু(ল)ট  
     অখি(লা)ণ্ণ কোটু(ল)ট(য)ন্দৰিলো (প)

ચ. ગગ(ના)નિલ તેજો-જલ ભૂ-મયમળુ

મૃગ ખગ નગ તરુણ કોટુલલો  
સ-ગુણમુલો વિ-ગુણમુલો સતતમુ  
સાધુ આગરા(જા)દિ(યા)શ્રિતુલલો (પ)

### **Gujarati**

પ. પરમાત્માદુર્ભ વેલિગો મુચ્ચટ બાગ તોલુસુકોરે  
અ. હરિ(ય)ટ હરા(ય)ટ સુરા(લ)ટ નરા(લ)ટ  
અખિ(લા)દુર્ભ કોટુલ(લ)ટ(ય)જરિલો (પ)  
ચ. ગગ(ના)નિલ તેજો-જલ ભૂ-મયમગુ  
મૃગ ખગ નગ તરુણ કોટુલલો  
સ-ગુણમુલો વિ-ગુણમુલો સતતમુ  
સાધુ ત્યાગરા(જા)દિ(યા)શ્રિતુલલો (પ)

### **Oriya**

પ. પરમાત્માદુર્ભ છેલિગે મૂકિટ બાગ તેલુસુબોરે  
અ. હરિ(ય)ટ હરૂ(ઢ)ટ પૂરૂ(લ)ટ નરૂ(લ)ટ  
અખિ(લા)દુર્ભ કોરૂ(લ)ટ(ય)જરિલો (પ)  
ચ. ગગ(ના)નિલ તેજો-જલ ભૂ-મયમગુ  
મૃગ ખગ નગ તરુણ કોટુલલો  
સ-ગુણમુલો વિ-ગુણમુલો સતતમુ  
સાધુ ત્યાગરા(જા)દિ(યા)શ્રિતુલલો (પ)

### **Punjabi**

ਪ. પરમાત્માદુર્ભ વેલિગો મੁચ્ચટ બાગ તેલુસુકોરે  
અ. હરિ(ય)ટ હરુ(ઢ)ટ સુરુ(લ)ટ નરુ(લ)ટ  
અખિ(લા)દુર્ભ કોટુલ(લ)ટ(ય)જરિલો (પ)  
ચ. ગગ(ના)નિલ તેજો-જલ ભૂ-મયમગુ  
મૃગ ખગ નગ તરુણ કોટુલલો

ਸ-ਗੁਲਮੁਲੋ ਵਿ-ਗੁਲਮੁਲੋ ਸਤਤਮ  
ਸਾਧੂ ਤਜਾਗਰਾ(ਜਾ)ਦਿ(ਯਾ)ਸ਼੍ਰਿਤਲਲੋ (ਪ)