

svara rAga sudhA

Ragam: Shankarabharanam { 29th Melakartha Ragam }

ARO: S R2 G3 M1 P D2 N3 S                   ||  
AVA: Š N3 D2 P M1 G3 R2 S                   ||

Talam: Adi (2 kalai)

Composer: Tyagaraja

Version: T Rukmini / Semmangudi Srinivasa Iyer

(<http://www.shivkumar.org/music/originals/Swararagasudha-Shankarabharanam-Semmangudi.mp3>)

Lyrics & Meanings Courtesy: Tyagaraja Vaibhavam <http://thyagaraja-vaibhavam.blogspot.com/2008/04/thyagaraja-kriti-svara-raga-sudha-raga.html>

Youtube Class / Lesson: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6uqeYUK6OLY>

MP3 Class / Lesson: <http://www.shivkumar.org/music/swararagasudha-class.mp3>

### **Pallavi:**

svara rAga sudhA rasa yuta bhakti

svarg(A)pavargamurA O manasA

### **Anupallavi:**

paramAnandam(a)nE kamalamupai

baka bhEkamu celagi(y)Emi O manasA (sva)

### **caraNam 1**

mUlAdhArAja nAdam(e)ruguTE

mudamagu mOkshamurA

kOlAhala sapta svara gRhamula

gurutE mOkshamurA O manasA (sva)

### **caraNam 2**

bahu janmamulaku paini jnAniyai

paraguTa mOkshamurA

sahaja bhaktitO rAga jnAna

sahituDu 7muktuDurA O manasA (sva)

### **caraNam 3**

mardala tALa gatulu teliyakanE

mardincuTa sukhamA

Suddha manasu lEka pUja jEyuTa

sUkara vRttirA O manasA (sva)

### **caraNam 4**

rajata gir(I)SuDu nagajaku telpu

svar(A)rNava marmamulu

vijayamu gala tyAgarAjuD(e)rugE

viSvasinci telusukO O manasA (sva)

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*O My Mind (manasA)! Devotion (bhakti), together with (yuta) the nectarine (sudhA) juice (rasa) of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven (svarga) and also liberation (apavargamu) (svargApavargamurA).*

*anupallavi*

*paramAnandamu-anE kamalamupai*

*baka bhEkamu celagi-Emi O manasA (sva)*

*O My Mind (manasA)! Of what avail (Emi) a crane (baka) (and/or) a frog (bhEkamu) flourishing (celagi) (celagiyEmi) on the Lotus (kamalamupai) called (anE) Supreme (parama) Bliss (Anandamu) (paramAnandamanE) (of nAda)?*

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven and also liberation!*

*caraNam 1*

*mUlAdhArAja nAdamu-eruguTE  
mudamagu mOkshamurA  
kOlAhala sapta svara gRhamula  
gurutE mOkshamurA O manasA (sva)*

*Knowing (erugTE) nAda (nAdamu) (nAdameruguTE) originating from mUlAdhAra (mUlAdhArAja) is, indeed the blissful (mudamagu) liberation (mOkshamu) (mOkshamura);*

*O My Mind (manasA)! Recognising (gurutu) (gurutE) the abodes (gRhamula) (in the body) of the splendidous (kOlAhala) seven (sapta) svaras is indeed liberation (mOkshamu) (mOkshamurA);*

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven and also liberation!*

*caraNam 2*

*bahu janmamulaku paini jnAniyai  
paraguTa mOkshamurA  
sahaja bhaktitO rAga jnAna  
sahituDu muktuDurA O manasA (sva)*

*It is also liberation (mOkshamu) (mOkshamurA) to remain (paraguTa) becoming a knower (of truth) (jnAniyai) after (paini) many (bahu) births (janmamulaku); but,*

*O My Mind (manasA)! one endowed with (sahituDu) true knowledge (jnAna) (of/and) music (rAga) together with innate (co-born) (sahaja) devotion (bhakti) (bhaktitO) is indeed liberated (muktuDu) (literally freed) (while still alive) (muktuDurA);*

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven and also liberation!*

*caraNam 3*

*mardala tALa gatulu teliyakanE  
mardincuTa sukhamA  
Suddha manasu lEka pUja jEyuTa  
sUkara vRttirA O manasA (sva)*

*Is it enjoyable (sukhamA) (literally comfortable) to thump (mardincuTa) the percussion instrument (mardala) without even knowing (teliyakanE) beat (tALa) and pace (gati) (gatulu)? Similarly,*

*O My Mind (manasA)! it is a piggish (sUkara) behaviour (vRtti) (vRttirA) (literally rolling) to perform (jEyuTa) worship (pUja) without (lEka) a pure (Suddha) mind (manasu);*

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven and also liberation!*

*caraNam 4*

*rajata giri-ISuDu nagajaku telpu  
svara-arNava marmamulu  
vijayamu gala tyAgarAjuDu-erugE  
viSvasinci telusukO O manasA (sva)*

*This victorious (vijayamu gala) tyAgarAja (tyAgarAjuDu) knows (erugE) (tyAgarAjuDerugE) the secrets (marmamulu) of the treatise ‘svarArNava’ (literally Ocean (arNava) of svara (svarArNava)) which Lord Siva – the Lord (ISuDu) of snow (rajata) (literally silver) mountain (giri) (girISuDu) conveys (telpu) to pArvati – daughter of mountain (naga) (nagajaku);*

*O My Mind (manasA)! understand (telusukO) (what I convey) by trusting (viSvasinci) (tyAgarAja);*

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed the heaven and also liberation!*

### **Pallavi:**

*svara rAga sudhA rasa yuta bhakti  
svarg(A)pavargamurA O manasA*

Sahityam: svara rAga sudhA rasa yuta bhakti

Meaning: O My Mind (manasA)! Devotion (bhakti), together with (yuta) the nectarine (sudhA) juice (rasa) of svara and rAga,

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
;	;	S R	G ; ; ;	G ; G ,r	RG M   ; ; - M , p	; <u>pmM</u> , G ,  R ; Gmp	mgR GR
svara	rA - - -	ga su -	dhA- -	- - ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
SN - S R	G ; ; ;	G ; G ,r	RG M   M ; P ;	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	mgR GR		
svara	rA - - -	ga su -	dhA- -	ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
SN - S R	G ; ; ;	gr S sGr	M ; ; ;   M ; P ;	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	G R GR		
svara	rA - - -	ga su -	dhA- -	ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
SN - S R	G ; ; ,s	sr G RG	R-gr <u>pmM</u>   G-M , P ,	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	GR GR		
svara	rA - - -	-- ga su -	- dhA- -	- ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti

Sahityam: svarg(A)pavargamurA O manasA

Meaning: ... is indeed heaven (svarga) and also liberation (apavargamu) (svargApavargamurA).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
S N - S ;	R ;	G ;	M ; P ;	; gR - sN   S ; ; ;	; ; - P ;   ; ; - Gmp	G R - GR	
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - -	- ga- mu- rA -	- - O -	- - ma- - na- sA-		
S N - S ;	R ;	G ;	M ; gmdd	pp- gR - sN   S ; ; ;	; ; - P ;   ; ; - Gmp	G R - GR	
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - -	-- ga- mu- rA -	- - O -	- - ma- - na- sA-		
SN - S R	G ; ; ,s	sr G RG	R-gr <u>pmM</u>   G-M , P ,	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	mgR GR		
svara	rA - - -	-- ga su -	- dhA- -	- ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
S N - S S	R R	G G	M M gmdd	pp- gR - sN   S ; ; ;	; ; - S ;   ; ,r- ND	PM - GR	
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - - -	-- ga- mu- rA -	- - O -	- - ma- - na- sA-		
SN - S R	G ; ; ,s	sr G RG	R-gr <u>pmM</u>   G-M P ;	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	mgR GR		
svara	rA - - -	-- ga su -	- dhA- -	- ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
S N - rs S	gr R mg G pm M	gmdd	pp- gR - sN   S ; ; ;	; ; - mgmp  dnsr-gmgr sndp-mdp-m			
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - - -	-- ga- mu- rA -	- - O -	- - ma- - na- sA -		
grsn- S R	G ; ; ,s	sr G RG	R-gr <u>pmM</u>   G-M P ;	<u>pmM</u> ; G ;   R ; Gmp	mgR GR		
svara	rA - - -	-- ga su -	- dhA- -	- ra sa	yu- - ta	bha - - -	kti
S N - rs S	gr R mg G pm M	gmdd	pp- gR - sN   S ; ; ;	; ; - mgmp  dnsr-gmgr sndp-mdp-m			
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - - -	-- ga- mu- rA -	- - O -	- - ma- - na- sA -		
SN - S R	G ; ; ,p	grS G ;	M ; ; ;   ; md - pmP	; ; ; ;   ; ; ; ;	; ; ; ;		
svara	rA - - -	ga - su -	dhA- -	- ra sa	- - - -	- - - -	

### Anupallavi:

paramAnandam(a)nE kamalamupai  
baka bhEkamu celagi(y)Emi O manasA (sva)

*Sahityam: paramAnandam(a)nE kamalamupai*

*Meaning: O My Mind (manasA)! ....on the Lotus (kamalamupai) called (anE) Supreme (parama) Bliss (Anandamu) (paramAnandamanE) (of nAda)?*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
;; G M	P ; ;	gM, P;	D ; N;   S ; ;	;; ; ;	;; ; ;	N D P M	
-- pa ra	mA - - -	nan - - -	da m(a)	nE - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
GR-G M	P D P ;	mgM P;	D ; N;   S ; ;	;; ; ;	;; ; ;	N D P M	
-- pa ra	mA - - -	nan - - -	da m(a)	nE - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
GR-G M	P D P ;	mgM P;	D ; N;   S ; ;	;; mpdn	S ; ;	N D P M	
-- pa ra	mA - - -	nan - - -	da m(a)	nE - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
GR-G M	P D P ;	ng-M P;	D ; N;   S ; ;	;; S ;	snD drsn	dPm-gmpm	
-- pa ra	mA - - -	nan - - -	da m(a)	nE - - -	-- ka	ma-- la--	mu-- pai--
pmgr-G M	P D P ;	ng-mp ;	D , N,   S ; ;	;; S ;	snD drsn	dPm-gmpm	
-- pa ra	mA - - -	nan - - -	da m(a)	nE - - -	-- ka	ma-- la--	mu-- pai--

*Sahityam: baka bhEkamu celagi(y)Emi O manasA (sva)*

*Meaning: Of what avail (Emi) a crane (baka) (and/or) a frog (bhEkamu) flourishing (celagi) (celagiyEmi) ...*

pmgr- D ;	P ; - PD	M ; - M D	pmG - GM   P ; ;	;; - dnsr	sndp ; M	mgmr - pmgr	
-- ba-	ka -	bhE- - -	ka -	mu - cela	gi - - -	(y)E- -- -	mi O - - ma-na-

*O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAga, is indeed heaven and also liberation!*

grsn- S R	G ; ; ,s	sr G RG	R-gr pmM   G-M P ;	pmM ; G ;   R ; Gmp	mgR GR	
sA -- svara	rA - - - -	ga su -	- dhA - - -	ra sa	yu - ta	bha - - - --- kti
S N - rs S	gr R mg G	pm M gmdd	pp- gR - sN   S ; ;	;; - mgmp   dnsr-gmgr	sndp-mdp-m	
- - Svar-	g(A) pa-	var- - - -	-- ga- mu- rA -	- - - O - - - -	- - - ma- na-	
gr-sn - S R	G ; ; ,p	grS G ;	M ; ;   ; md - pmP	;; ; ;   ; ; ;	;; ; ;	
sA svara	rA - - -	ga - su -	dhA - - -	ra sa	- - -	- - -

### caraNam 1

mUlAdhArAja nAdam(e)ruguTE  
mudamagu mOkshamurA  
kOlAhala sapta svara gRhamula  
gurutE mOkshamurA O manasA (sva)

*Sahityam: mUlAdhArAja nAdam(e)ruguTE*

*Meaning: Knowing (erugTE) nAda (nAdamu) (nAdameruguTE) originating from mUlAdhAra (mULAdhArAja) is,*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
;; - P ;	P ; ; ;	; ; MP	,m M- M ;   ; ; ; - G	; G - G ,r	R S - srG	R - R R ;	
mU-	lA - - -	-- dhA-	-- ra ja - - - nA	- da m(e)-	ru - - - -	gu TE-	
;; - P ;	P ; ; ;	; ; MP	,m M- M ;   ; ; ; - G	,p mg - G ,r	R S - srG	R - R -SR	
mU-	lA - - -	-- dhA-	-- ra ja - - - nA	- da m(e)-	ru - - - -	gu TE-	

GM - P ; P ; ; ; MdppmM ; mdPpmM ; | ; ; - G .p mg - G ,r | R ; - srG R - R -pmgr ||  
 mU- lA - - dhA- --- ra - ja - - - nA - da m(e)- ru - - - - gu TE-

srsgm- P ; P ; ; ; MdppmM ; mdPpmM ; | ; ; - G ,p mg - G ,r | R ; - srG R - R - R ||  
 mU- lA - - - dhA- --- ra - ja - - - nA - da m(e)- ru - - - - gu TE-

Sahityam: mudamagu mOkshamurA  
Meaning: ... indeed the blissful (mudamagu) liberation (mOkshamu) (mOkshamura);

### Sahityam: kOlAhala sapta svara gRhamula

**Meaning:** O My Mind (*manasA*)! Recognising (*gurutu*) (*gurutE*) the abodes (*gRhamula*) (in the body) of the splendidorous (*kOlAhala*) seven (*sapta*) svaras is indeed liberation (*mOkshamu*) (*mOkshamurA*);

S ; - S N    S ; RS    R ; G R - G ; M G || MD P M    G M G R | G M mp, ; P P ; ||  
 - - kO- lA- - - ha - la - sa- - - pta - - - sva - ra - gRa- ha-- - mu la

Sahityam: gurute mOkshamurA O manasA (sva)  
Meaning: O My Mind! Devotion, together with the nectarine juice of svara and rAgA, is indeed heaven and also liberation!

NP – DN S ; ; ; dnS – snD P ,m - Gmr | R G M P D N – Srs | N D P M G R - rgmg ||  
 -- guru tE - - - mO- - - ksha- mu -- rA - - - - O- - - - - ma-na-

grsn- S R G ; ; ,s sr G RG R-gr pmM | G-M P ; pmM ; G ; | R ; Gmp mgR GR ||  
 sA -- svara rA - - - - ga su - - dhA - - - ra sa yu - ta bha - - - - kti

S N - rs S gr R mg G pm M gmdd pp- gR - sN | S ; ; ; ; - mgmp |dnsr-gmgr sndp-mdp-m ||  
 - - Svar- g(A) pa- var- - - - - ga- mu- rA - - - O - - - - - ma- na-