

Short Tara Sadhana

THE TWENTY ONE TARAS



Taking Refuge and Generating the Altruistic Heart

I go for refuge until I am enlightened
To the Buddha, the Dharma and the Supreme Assembly.
By my practice of giving and other perfections,
May I become a Buddha to benefit all sentient beings. (x3)



The Four Immeasurables

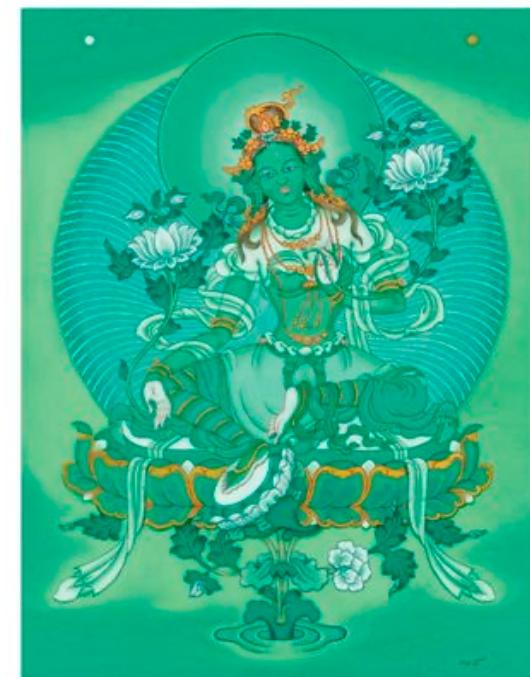
May all sentient beings have happiness and its causes.
May all sentient beings be free from suffering and its causes,
May all sentient beings never be separated from sorrowless bliss,
May all sentient beings abide in equanimity, free of bias, both greed and hatred.

Visualisation

You are in your ordinary form. At your heart appears a white AH made of light. This transforms into a white moon disc. At its centre appears a green syllable TAM, the essence of Tara's blissful omniscient mind of wisdom and compassion. Standing clockwise around the edge of the moon appear the letters of the mantra **OM TARE TUTTARE TURE SOHA**, made of green light. From the **TAM** rainbow coloured light goes out in all directions and invokes Tara to appear in the space in front of you.

She is seated on a lotus and moon disc. Her body is made of emerald green light, youthful and exquisitely beautiful. Her right hand on her right knee is in the gesture of giving; her left hand at her heart is in the gesture of refuge holding the stem of an utpala flower that blooms by her ear. Her left leg is drawn up and her right leg is slightly extended. Her face is very beautiful and she smiles with loving-kindness at all sentient beings.

Surrounding her in space are twenty-one other Taras, as well as all the other buddhas and bodhisattvas. Surrounding you are all sentient beings. You lead them in reciting the prayers and requests to Tara.

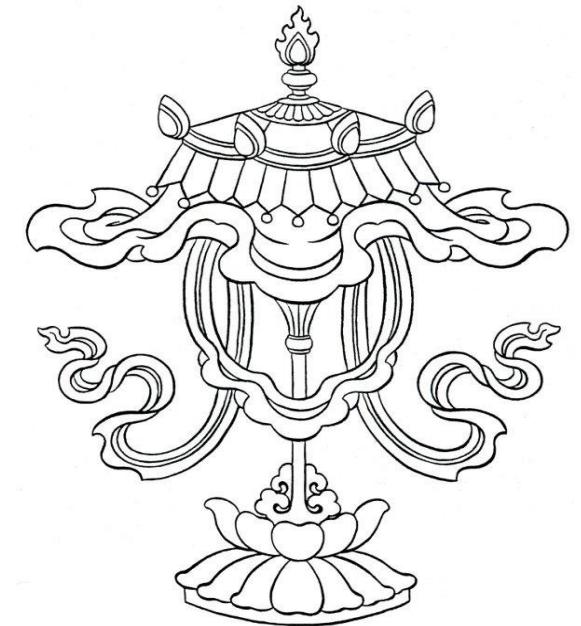


Seven-limb Prayer

Reverently I prostrate with my body, speech and mind
And present clouds of every type of offering, actual and mentally
transformed.

I confess all my negative actions accumulated since beginningless time
And rejoice in the virtues of all holy and ordinary beings.

Please remain until cyclic existence ends,
And turn the Wheel of Dharma for sentient beings.
I dedicate the virtues created by myself and others
to the great enlightenment.



Praises to the 21 Taras

ॐ ལྷི སର୍ଵକ ମ དସନା ମ རୁତ୍ସି ମ དସନା ମ དର୍ବଳ ମ དଶ୍ଵା ।

OM JE TSÜN MA PHAG MA DRÖL MA LA CHHAG TSHÄL
LO

OM I prostrate to the noble transcendent liberator.

ਚੁਣਾ ਰਕਤ ਵਾ ਝੂਕੀ ਵਾ ਲ੍ਲਿਲ ਵਾ ਦਾ ਸਾਰ ਵਾ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL DRÖL MA NYUR MA PA MO

Homage! Tara, swift , heroic!

ਛੁਕ ਕੇ ਜਨ ਲੈ ਗਾ ਪ੍ਰੋਗ ਦੁਨ ਵਾ ।

CHÄN NI KÄ CHIG LOG DANG DRA MA

Eyes like lightning instantaneous!

ਗੁਹਿ ਹੇ ਰਾ ਗਨੁ ਵਾ ਵਾ ਰਾ ਕੁ ਜੁ ਸਾ ਬਾ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ।

JIG TEN SUM GÖN CHHU KYE ZHÄL GYI

Sprung from op'ning stamens of the

ਗੇ ਨੁ ਪ੍ਰੇ ਸਾ ਘਨ ਕੇ ਹੁਨ ਵਾ ।

GE SAR JE WA LÄ NI JUNG MA

Lord of three world's tear-born lotus!

ਚੁਧਾ ਰਕਤ ਪੱਖੀ ਨ ਗਰੀਬ ਵਾਹਿਨੀ ਤੁ।

CHHAG TSHÄL TÖN KÄI DA WA KÜN TU
Homage! She whose face combines a

ਗੁਣ ਵਾਹਿਨੀ ਪੱਖੀ ਸ਼ਾਸ਼ਦ ਵਾਹਿਨੀ।

GANG WA GYA NI TSEG PÄI ZHÄL MA
Hundred autumn moons at fullest!

ਅੰਦਰੂਨੀ ਬੁਝਾ ਕੱਥਾ ਸਾਡਾ ਸਾਡਾ ਗ੍ਰਿਹੀ।

KAR MA TONG THRAG TSHOG PA NAM KYI
Blazing with light rays resplendent

ਤਾਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰੇਸ਼ਨੀ ਦੱਢ ਤਾਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰੇਸ਼ਨੀ।

RAB TU CHHE WÄI Ö RAB BAR MA
As a thousand star collection!

ਚੁਣਾ ਰਕਤ ਪਾ ਸਿਰ ਛੂਟੁ ਕੁ ਕੁ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਸਿਰ ਗੁ |

CHHAG TSHÄL SER NGO CHHU NÄ KYE KYI
Homage! Golden-blue one, lotus

ਏਕੁ ਨਾ ਚੁਣਾ ਕੈ ਕੁ ਪਾ ਪਨ ਸਤ੍ਰੁਵ ਮਾ |

PÄ MÄ CHHAG NI NAM PAR GYÄN MA
Water born, in hand adorned!

ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਪਾ ਪਤੱਕ ਪਤੁਸਾ ਦਾ ਰਾ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਪਾ ਕੈ ਸਾ |

JIN PA TSÖN DRÜ KA THUB ZHI WA
Giving, effort, calm, austerities,

ਸਤ੍ਰੁਦ ਪਾ ਪਨ ਮਾ ਸਹ ਰਾ ਸਤ੍ਰੁਦ ਪੁ ਪਾ ਨ੍ਤ੍ਰੀਦ ਮਾ |

ZÖ PA SAM TÄN CHÖ YÜL NYI MA
Patience, meditation her sphere!

শুশা' দক্ষস' দে' সন্তি' শমিষাশ' পরি' শঙ্কুষা' হঁস' ।

CHHAG TSHÄL DE ZHIN SHEG PÄI TSUG TOR

Homage! Crown of tathagatas,

ওষৰ' ঘো' কুম' ধন' ক্রুপ' ব' শুঙ্গ' মা' ।

THA YÄ NAM PAR GYÄL WAR CHÖ MA

Actions triumph without limit

ম' পুষা' ঘ' র্দ' প্রি' ব' শৰ' পনি' ।

MA LÜ PHA RÖL CHHIN PA THOB PÄI

Relied on by conquerors' children,

ক্রুপ' পনি' শৰা' পুষা' প্রি' চু' পন্ডি' মা' ।

GYÄL WÄI SÄ KYI SHIN TU TEN MA

Having reached ev'ry perfection!

ଶ୍ରୀକର୍ଣ୍ଣପୁନ୍ଦିତଙ୍କାରୀ

CHHAG TSHÄL TUTTARA HUM YI GE Homage! Filling with TUTTARE,

ସତ୍ୟକର୍ମାଦିକାରୀଙ୍କ ପରିଚାରକ ହେଲାମାତ୍ରାଙ୍କ ଏହାରେ

DÖ DANG CHHOG DANG NAM KHA GANG MA **HUM, desire, direction, and space!**

ମହିଷ'ହେତ'ପଦ୍ମବ'ଶ'ବନା'ଗୁଣ'ଏକବ'ହେ ।

JIG TEN DÜN PO ZHAB KYI NÄN TE

Trampling with her feet the seven worlds,

ପୁନାଦ୍ୟମେଦ୍ୟତ୍ସମ୍ମରଣାତ୍ସମ୍ମରଣା ।

LÜ PA ME PAR GUG PAR NÜ MA

Able to draw forth all beings!

ਚੁਣਾਵਕਖਾਵਨਾਵਿਨੀਵਾਲਾਵਾਂ |

CHHAG TSHÄL GYA JIN ME LHA TSHANG PA
Homage! Worshipped by the all-lords,

ਕ੍ਰਿਤੁਲਾਵਾਲਾਵਨਾਵਿਨੀਵਾਲਾਂ |

LUNG LHA NA TSHOG WANG CHHUG CHHÖ MA
Shakra, Agni, Brahma, Marut!

ਅਤੁਦੁ਷ਾਤਾਵਨਾਵਿਨੀਵਾਲਾਵਾਂ |

JUNG PO RO LANG DRI ZA NAM DANG
Honoured by the hosts of spirits,

ਸਾਵਨਾਵਿਨੀਵਾਲਾਵਨਾਵਿਨੀਵਾਲਾਵਾਂ |

NÖ JIN TSHOG KYI DÜN NÄ TÖ MA
Corpse-raisers, gandharvas, yakshas!

ਚੁਣਾ ਰਕਤ ਪੜ੍ਹਾ ਨਾਲ ਤੇਜਾ ਸੁਦੂਰ ਅਤ ਗੁਣਾ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL TRAD CHE JA DANG PHAT KYI
Homage! With her TRAD and PHAT sounds

ਧਰੂਵ ਰੱਖਿਆ ਮਨੁਸ਼ ਨਾਲ ਚੁਣ੍ਹ ਰੱਖਿਆ ।

PHA RÖL THRÜL KHOR RAB TU JOM MA
Destroying foes' magic diagrams!

ਗਿਆ ਬਲੁਅ ਗੱਡੀ ਬਲੁਦ ਬਲੁਗ ਗੁਣ ਬਲੁਗ ਹੈ ।

YÄ KUM YÖN KYANG ZHAB KYI NÄN TE
Her feet pressing, left out, right in,

ਕੇ ਰਸਨ ਰਾਨੁਗ ਸ ਸੰਕ ਚੁ ਰਸਨ ਆ ।

ME BAR THRUG PA SHIN TU BAR MA
Blazing in a raging fire-blaze!

ਤੁ਷ਾਦਕਖਾਚੁੰਦੇਵਿਸ਼ਵਾਧਾਕੈਵਿੰਨਾ |

CHHAG TSHÄL TURE JIG PA CHHEN PO
Homage! TURE, very dreadful!

ਏਹੁਦ੍ਰੂਦਖਾਚੁੰਦੁਵਾਨਾ |

DÜ KYI PA WO NAM PAR JOM MA
Destroyer of Mara's champion(s)!

ਕੁਞੀਲਾਖਾਕੈਤ੍ਰਣਿਦੁਖੁਰਮਦਾ |

CHHU KYE ZHÄL NI THRO NYER DÄN DZÄ
She with frowning lotus visage

ਦਨਾਚੁੰਬਵਾਤਦਾਵਾਲੁਲਾਗਨਦਾ |

DRA WO THAM CHÄ MA LÜ SÖ MA
Who is slayer of all enemies!

ਤੁ਷ਾਂਦਰਖਾਂਦਗੁਰਾਂਖਾਂਦਗੁਰਾਂਤੁ਷ਾਂਤੁ਷ਾਂ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL KÖN CHHOG SUM TSHÖN CHHAG GYÄI
Homage! At the heart her fingers,

ਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂ ।

SOR MÖ THUG KAR NAM PAR GYÄN MA
Adorn her with Three Jewel mudra!

ਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂ ।

MA LÜ CHHOG KYI KHOR LÖ GYÄN PÄI
Light-ray masses all excited!

ਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂਤੁਲਾਂ ।

RANG GI Ö KYI TSHOG NAM THRUG MA
All directions' wheels adorn her!

ਚੁਗ ਇਕ ਘਰ ਸਨੌਰ ਹੈ ਪਾਂਧੀ ਦੀ ਬੀ |

CHHAG TSHÄL RAB TU GA WA JI PÄI
Homage! She so joyous, radiant,

ਤੁਲ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਾਮ ਦੀ ਬੀ ਵੀ |

U GYÄN Ö KYI THRENG WA PEL MA
Crown emitting garlands of light!

ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਸਨੌਰ ਹੈ ਪਾਂਧੀ |

ZHE PA RAB ZHÄ TUTTARA YI
Mirthful, laughing with TUTTARE,

ਤੁਲ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਾਮ ਦੀ ਬੀ ਵੀ |

DÜ DANG JIG TEN WANG DU DZÄ MA
Subjugating maras, devas!

ଶ୍ରୀ'ରକ୍ତପ'ଶ'ଗନ୍ଧି'କ୍ଷୁଦ୍ର'ଶର୍ମ'ହଶା'କୁମରା ।

CHHAG TSHÄL SA ZHI KYONG WÄI TSHOG NAM

Homage! She able to summon

ସମ୍ବନ୍ଧ କରିବାକୁ ପାଇଁ ଏହାର ଅଧିକାରୀଙ୍କ ଦେଶରେ ଯାଏନ୍ତି ।

THAM CHÄ GUG PAR NÜ MA NYI MA

All earth-guardians' assembly!

ଶାନ୍ତିରାଜାଙ୍ଗପଦିଧିଶେଖାକୁଣ୍ଡଳୀ ।

THRO NYER YO WÄI YI GE HUM GI

Shaking, frowning, with her HUM sign

ଶିଦ୍ଧାତ୍ମକାରୀଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ ଏହାର ଅନୁଷ୍ଠାନିକ ପରିପାଳନା କରିବାକୁ ଆପଣଙ୍କ ପରିଚୟ କରିଛନ୍ତି ।

PHONG PA THAM CHÄ NAM PAR DRÖL MA

Saving from every misfortune!

ਚੁਧਾ ਰਕਤ ਪੈਂਨੀ ਸਰ੍ਵੇਂ ਦੁਆ ਸਰ੍ਵੇਂ ਦੁਆ ਸ਼੍ਰਵਾ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL DA WÄI DUM BÜ U GYÄN
Homage! Crown adorned with crescent

ਸ਼੍ਰੁਤੁ ਸਾ ਬਰਨ ਲਦ ਸੰਖੀ ਚੁ ਰਸੁ ਮਾ ।

GYÄN PA THAM CHÄ SHIN TU BAR MA
Moon, all ornaments most shining!

ਰਸਾ ਪਰੈ ਸ਼੍ਰੱਦਾ ਕੁ ਲੱਦ ਦਿਸਾ ਸੰਦ ਸ਼ਾ ।

RÄL PÄI KHUR NA Ö PAG ME LÄ
Amitabha in her hair-knot

ਹੁਣ ਪਨ ਸੰਖੀ ਚੁ ਲੱਦ ਰਸ ਸਾਂਦ ਮਾ ।

TAG PAR SHIN TU Ö RAB DZÄ MA
Sending out much light eternal!

ਚੁਗ ਦਕਤ ਪਾ ਜਨ ਪਾ ਬਾ ਕਰੀ ਮੇ ਲੁਣ।

CHHAG TSHÄL KÄL PÄI THA MÄI ME TAR
Homage! She 'mid wreath ablaze like

ਅਸ ਸਵੀ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਦੁਨਾ ਰ ਧਰਨ ਮ।

BAR WÄI THRENG WÄI Ü NA NÄ MA
Eon-ending fire abiding!

ਸਾਧ ਸਕੂਦ ਸਿੱਖ ਪਾ ਜੁ ਗੁਰ ਰਸ ਸਾਡ ਦਗ ਨ।

YÄ KYANG YÖN KUM KÜN NÄ KOR GÄI
Right stretched, left bent, joy surrounds you

ਦਸ ਘਿ ਦੁਨ ਕੰਕ ਬਾ ਪਾ ਦਹ ਬਾ ਮ।

DRA YI PUNG NI NAM PAR JOM MA
Troops of enemies destroying!

ਚੁਧਾ ਵਹਿਦਾ ਸਾ ਬਿਨੀ ਰੱਖਾ ਵਾ ਪ੍ਰਸਾਦੀ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL SA ZHII NGÖ LA CHHAG GI

Homage! She who strikes the ground with

ਅਥਿਦਾ ਗ੍ਰਿਨਾ ਵਛੂਰ ਲਿਦ ਭਵਨਾ ਗ੍ਰਿਨਾ ਵਕੁਦ ਮਾ ।

THIL GYI NÜN CHING ZHAB KYI DUNG MA

Her palm, and with her foot beats it!

ਤ੍ਰਿਂ ਸ਼ਨੈਰ ਭਰ ਮਹਦ ਘਿ ਸ਼ੇ ਕੁੱਝੀ ਮਾ ।

THRO NYER CHÄN DZÄ YI GE HUM GI

Scowling, with the letter HUM the

ਚੰਗ ਵਕੁਰ ਰੰਗ ਕਵਣ ਕੀ ਰਖੇ ਕਵਣ ਮਾ ।

RIM PA DÜN PO NAM NI GEM MA

Seven levels she does conquer!

କୁଶ-ରକ୍ଷସ-ପଦି-ଶ-ଦୂଷେ-ଶ-ବି-ଶ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL DE MA GE MA ZHI MA Homage! Happy, virtuous, peaceful!

ଶ୍ରୀନାଥଙ୍କୁମାର ପାତ୍ର

NYA NGÄN DÄ ZHI CHÖ YÜL NYI MA She whose field is peace, nirvana!

ସୁହୁଅଁନ୍ଦ୍ରୟନ୍ଦ୍ରଶଳ୍ପିବା ।

SVAHA OM DANG YANG DAG DÄN PÄ
She endowed with OM and SVAHA,

ଶ୍ରୀପାହେରଙ୍ଗପଦକଷଣମ୍ ।

DIG PA CHHEN PO JOM PA NYI MA

Destroyer of the great evil!

ਤੁ਷ਾਂਦਰਖਾਂਗੁਰਾਂਕਾਂਘਾਂਵਾਂਨਾਂਦਾਂਹਾਂਵਾਂ |

CHHAG TSHÄL KÜN NÄ KOR RAB GA WÄI

Homage! She with joy surrounded

ਦ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਂਧੀਂਧੁਨਾਂਵੈਂਨਵਾਂਹੁਨਵਾਂਵਾਂ |

DRA YI LÜ NI NAM PAR GEM MA

Tearing foes' bodies asunder,

ਘਿਓਂਘਲੁਘਵੈਂਦਾਂਵੈਂਘਗੋਂਦਾਂਘਵੈਂ |

YI GE CHU PÄI NGAG NI KÖ PÄI

Frees with HUM and knowledge mantra,

ਚੰਦਾਂਚੁੱਕੁੱਚਾਂਕੁੱਚਾਂਚਾਂਚਿੰਦਾਂ |

RIG PA HUM LÄ DRÖL MA NYI MA

Arrangement of the ten letters!

ਚੁਧਾ ਵਰਤਦਾ ਹੈ ਰੇਖਾ ਕੀ ਪਦਮਸਾਗ ਮਾ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL TURE ZHAB NI DEB PÄ
Homage! TURE! With seed letter

ਟ੍ਰੂ ਸ਼ੀ ਕੁਵਾ ਸਦਿ ਸ ਸ਼ਬਦ ਨਿਦ ਮਾ ।

HUM GI NAM PÄI SA BÖN NYI MA
Of the shape of syllable HUM!

ਸੰਸਾਰ ਕੁਲ ਸਾਡਾ ਰਸਾਇਨ ਪ੍ਰੇਮਾ ।

RI RAB MANDHARA DANG BIG JE

By foot stamping shakes the three worlds,

ਸੁਣੋ ਹੈ ਰਾਸਾਨਾ ਕੁਵਾ ਸ਼ਬਦ ਨਿਦ ਮਾ ।

JIG TEN SUM NAM YO WA NYI MA

Meru, Mandara, and Vindhya!

ਤੁ਷ਾਂਦਕਹਵਾਲ੍ਲਾਘਿਅਕਹਿਕੁਸਾਦਨੈ।

CHHAG TSHÄL LHA YI TSHO YI NAM PÄI

Homage! Holding in her hand the

ਚੰਦ੍ਰਸਾਹਸਨਾਲਕੁਤੁ਷ਾਂਕੁਵਾਲ੍ਲਾਗਨਾਮ।

RI DAG TAG CHÄN CHHAG NA NAM MA

Hare-marked moon of deva-lake form!

ਤੂਰਸਾਤ੍ਰਿਸਾਵਹੱਦਾਧਤਾਗੁਘਿਸਾ।

TARA NYI JÖ PHAT KYI YI GE

With twice spoken TARA and PHAT,

ਤੁ਷ਾਂਕੁਸਾਂਮਾਹਸਾਹਨਕੀਸੇਸਾਮ।

DUG NAM MA LÜ PA NI SEL MA

Totally dispelling poison!

ਤੁ਷ਾਂਦਕਹਵਾਲ੍ਲਾਂਧਿਕਹਸਾਂਕਰਸਾਂਕੁਲਾਂਦ੍ਰਾਂ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL LHA YI TSHOG NAM GYÄL PO
Homage! She whom gods and their kings,

ਲਾਂਦੁਨਾਂਗੀਲਾਂਕਿਲਾਂਘਲੈਨਾਂਘਾਂ ।

LHA DANG MI AM CHI YI TEN MA
And the kinnaras do honour!

ਗੁਨਾਂਕਰਾਂਕਾਂਦਾਨਾਂਦਾਨਾਂਗਹੈਨਾਂਗੁਣਾਂ ।

KÜN NÄ GO CHHA GA WÄI JI GYI
Armoured in all joyful splendour,

ਛੁਦਾਂਦੁਨਾਂਕੀਲਾਂਦਰਾਂਦਰਾਂਗਾਂਗੇਲਾਂ ।

TSÖ DANG MI LAM NGÄN PA SEL MA
She dispels bad dreams and conflicts!

ਚੁਥਾਂ ਦਕਤਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਵਾਲੀ ਸ਼ਾਨਦਾਰੀ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL NYI MA DA WA GYÄ PÄI

Homage! She whose two eyes bright with

ਸ਼ੁਭ ਮਨੀਸਾ ਦ੍ਰਿਸ਼ਾਂ ਦ੍ਰਿਸ਼ਦ ਸਨ ਬਾਬੇ ਮਾ ।

CHÄN NYI PO LA Ö RAB SÄL MA

Radiance of sun and full moon!

ਹਾਰਾ ਨੀ ਜੋ ਤੁਤਤਾ ਯਿ

With twice HARA and TUTTARE

ਸੈਰਾਂ ਚੁਨ ਸਾਂਝੀ ਰੰਗ ਸਾਂਝੀ ਕੁਦ ਸੈਰਾਂ ਮਾ ।

SHIN TU DRAG PÖI RIM NÄ SEL MA

She dispels severe contagion!

ਚੁਧਾ ਵਰਕਸਾ ਦੇ ਤ੍ਰਿਦੰਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਕੁਝ ਸਾਥ ਗੱਦੀ ਸਾਥ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL DE NYI SUM NAM KÖ PÄ
Homage! Full of liberating

ਬੈਣ ਵਰਕਸਾ ਦੁਦੁ ਘੁਦੁ ਦਗ ਜ਼ਿਕੁ ਮਾ ।

ZHI WÄI THÜ DANG YANG DAG DÄN MA
Pow'r by the set of three natures!

ਸਾਨ੍ਕੁ ਦੁਦੁ ਰੁ ਪਦਸਾ ਸਾਰ੍ਕੁ ਫੁਕੁ ਕੱਖਸਾ ਕੁਗਸਾ ।

DÖN DANG RO LANG NÖ JIN TSHOG NAM
Destroys hosts of spirits, yakshas,

ਗੁਹਾ ਸਾਹੁ ਰੁ ਸਵਾ ਗੁਹਾ ਗੁਹਾ ਤ੍ਰਿਦੰਸਾ ।

JOM PA TURE RAB CHHOG NYI MA
And raised corpses! Supreme! TURE!

ਤਾਵੈ ਨਾਗ ਕੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਂਤ ਦਾ ਰਾਂਤ ਦਾ । ।

TSA WÄI NGAG KYI TÖ PA DI DANG

These praises with the root mantras

ਚਹਾ ਰਾਂਤ ਦਾ ਕੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਂਤ ਦਾ ।

CHHAG TSHÄL WA NI NYI SHU TSA CHIG

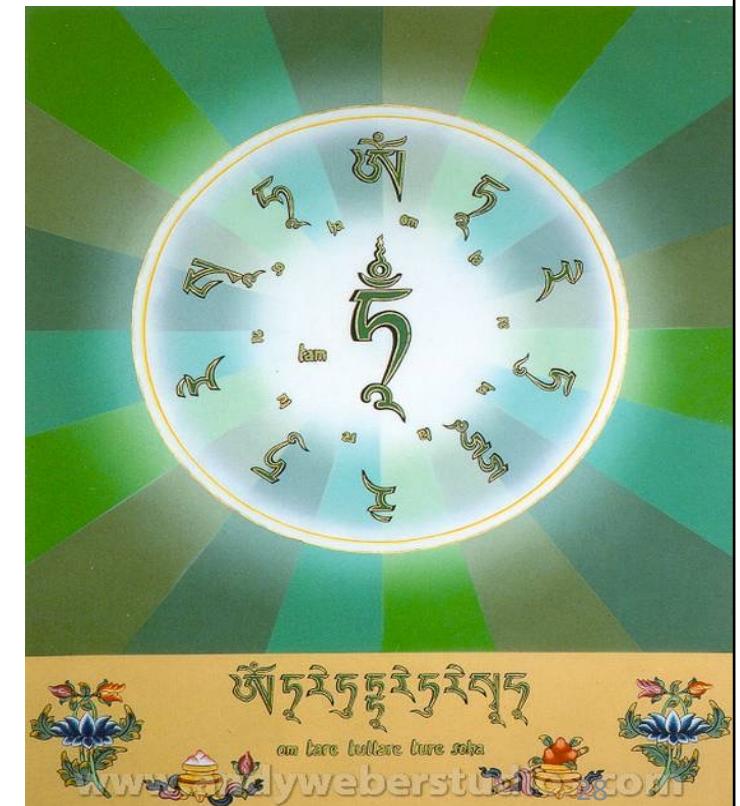
And prostrations thus are twenty-one!

Visualisation and Recitation

Visualise much radiant and blissful green light from the **TAM** and mantra at Tara's heart that streams into you and into the sentient beings surrounding you. This light purifies the imprints of all negative actions and dispels all sickness and harms from spirits. In addition, it brings inspiration and blessings from Tara, thus enabling you to realise the entire gradual path to enlightenment quickly. While doing the visualisation, recite as much as possible Tara's peaceful mantra:

OM TARE TUTTARE TURE SOHA (x108)

Extremely pleased, Tara comes to the crown of your head, dissolves into green light and absorbs into you. You become the Essence of Tara's blissful and omniscient mind of wisdom and compassion.



Requesting Prayer

O compassionate and venerable subduing goddess
May the infinite beings, including myself,
Soon purify the two obscurations and complete both collections
So that we may attain full enlightenment.

For all my lives, until I reach this stage
May I know the sublime happiness of humans and gods.
So that I may become fully omniscient
Please pacify quickly all obstacles, spirits,
Obstructions, epidemics, diseases and so forth,
The various causes of untimely death,
Bad dreams and omens, the eight fears and other afflictions,
And make it so that they no longer exist.



May the mundane and supramundane collections
Of all excellent auspicious qualities and happiness
Increase and develop and may all wishes
Be fulfilled naturally and effortlessly, without an exception.

May I strive to realise and increase the sacred Dharma
Accomplishing your stage and beholding your sublime face,
May my understanding of emptiness and the precious dedicated heart
Increase like the moon waxing full.

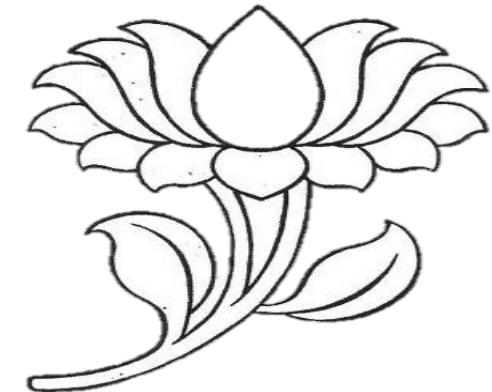
May I be reborn from an extremely beautiful and holy lotus
In the joyous and noble mandala of the conqueror.
May I attain whatever prophecy I receive
In the presence of Amitabha, Buddha of infinite Light.



O deity, whom I have accomplished from previous lives
The enlightening influence of the three times Buddha
Blue-green, one face and two arms, the swift pacifier,
O mother holding an utpala flower, may you be auspicious.

Whatever your body, O Mother of Conquerors,
Whatever your retinue, lifespan or pure land,
Whatever your name, most noble and holy,
May I and all others attain only these.

By the forces of these praises and requests made to you,
May all disease, poverty, fighting and quarrels be calmed,
May the precious Dharma and everything auspicious increase
Throughout the world and direction where I and all others dwell.



Dedication and Auspicious Verses

Due to this merit may I soon
Attain the state of Arya Tara
That I may be able to liberate
All sentient beings from their suffering.

By whatever I have collected
From venerating these subduing blessed ones
May all sentient beings, without exception,
Be born in Sukhavati, the Joyful Pure land.

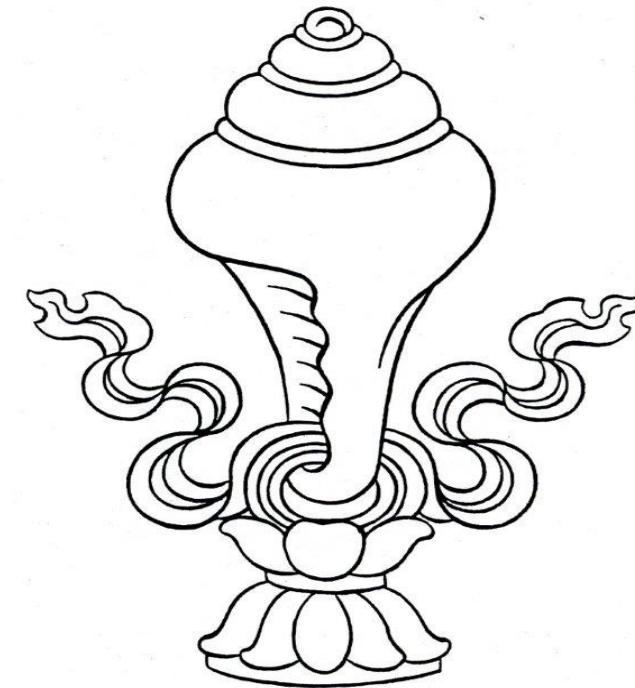


You who have abandoned all bodily defects and possess the signs and marks of a buddha,
You who have abandoned all defects of speech and possess a beautiful, sparrow-like voice.
You who have abandoned all defects of mind and see all the infinite objects of knowledge,
O Brilliant Mother of Auspicious Glory, please bring your auspicious presence to us!

Dedication

JANG CHHUB SEM CHHOG RIN PO CHHE
MA KYE PA NAM KYE GYUR CHIG
KYE WA NYAM PA ME PA YANG
GONG NÄ GONG DU PHEL WAR SHOG

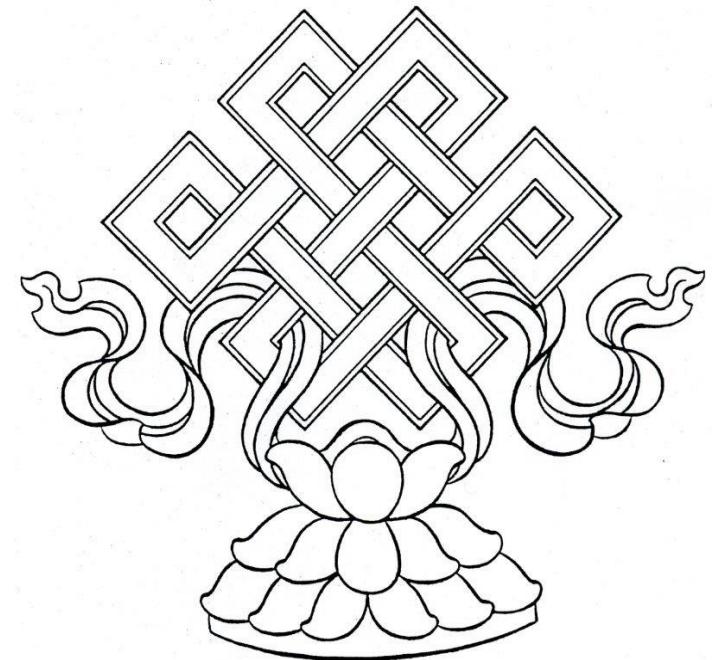
May the supreme jewel bodhicitta
That has arisen, arise and grow;
And may that which has arisen not diminish
But increase more and more.



Long Life Prayer for His Holiness the Dalai Lama

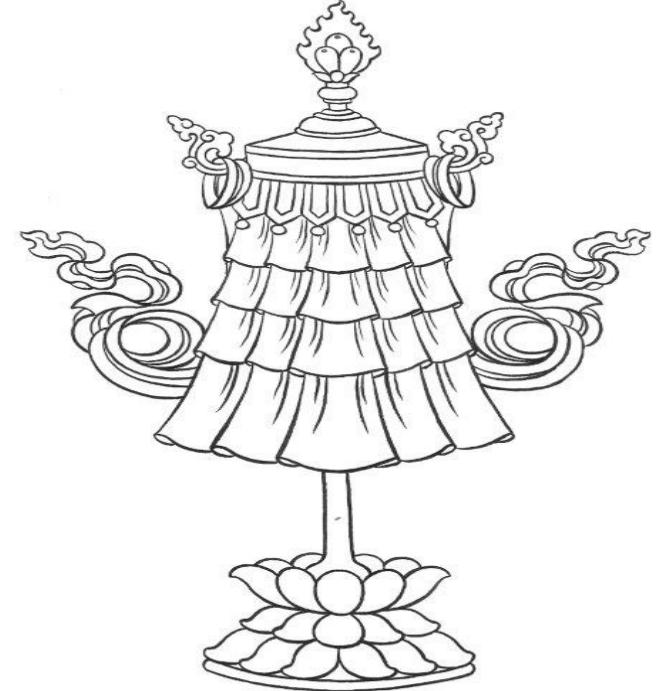
GANG RI RA WÄ KOR WÄI ZHING KHAM DIR
PHÄN DANG DE WA MA LÜ JUNG WÄI NÄ
CHÄN RÄ ZIG WANG TÄN DZIN GYA TSHO YI
ZHAB PÄ SI THÄI BAR DU TÄN GYUR CHIG

In the land encircled by snow mountains
You are the source of all happiness and good;
All-powerful Chenrezig, Tenzin Gyatso,
Please remain until samsara ends.



Prayer that spontaneously fulfils all wishes

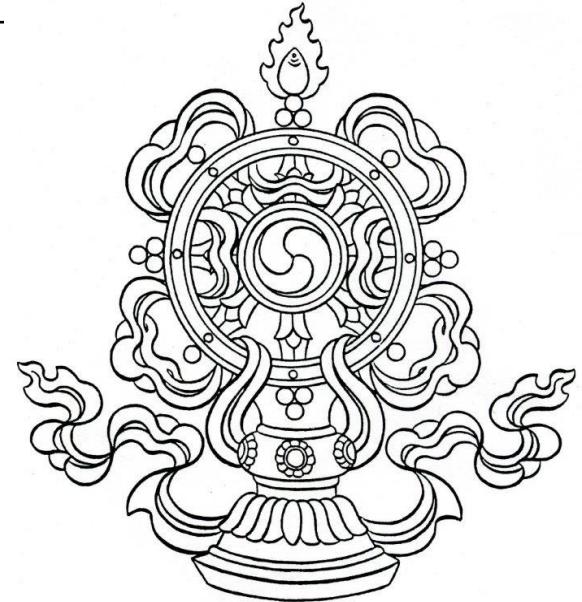
TONG NYI NYING JE ZUNG DU JUG PÄI LAM
CHHE CHER SÄL DZÄ GANG CHÄN TÄN DRÖI GÖN
CHAG NA PÄ MO TÄN DZIN GYA TSHO LA
SOL WA DEB SO ZHE DÖN LHÜN DRUB SHOG



Saviour of the Snow Land Teachings and transmigratory beings,
Who makes the path that is unification of emptiness and compassion extremely clear,
To the Lotus Holder, Tenzin Gyatso, I beseech –
May all your holy wishes be spontaneously fulfilled!

A Short Long Life Prayer for Lama Zopa Rinpoche

THUB TSHÜL CHHANG ZHING JAM GÖN GYÄL WÄI TÄN
DZIN KYONG PEL WÄ KÜN ZÖ DOG POR DZÄ
CHHOG SUM KUR WÄI LEG MÖN THU DRUB PA
DAG SOG DÜL JÄI GÖN DU ZHAB TÄN SHOG



You who uphold the Subduer's moral way, who serve as the bountiful bearer-of-all,
Sustaining, preserving, and spreading Manjunath's victorious doctrine;
Who masterfully accomplish magnificent prayers honouring the Three Jewels:
Saviour of myself and others, your disciples, please, please live long!

PRAYER OF BLESSINGS

May I be at peace, May my heart remain open,
May I awaken to the light of my own true nature,
May I be healed,
May I be a source of healing for all sentient beings,
May I be healthy, May I be happy, May I be at ease.



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