

Sarasija Nabha Sodhari

Ragam: Naga Gandhari {20th Melakarta Janyam}

ARO: S R2 M1 G2 R2 M1 P D1 , N2 S || (or M1 P N2 N2 S )

AVA: S N2 D1 P M1 , G2 , R2 G2 (R1) S ||

Talam: Rupakam

Composer: Muthuswamy Dikshitar

Version: Ram Kaushik ([Youtube Original](#))

Lyrics Courtesy: Lakshman Ragde

Meanings Courtesy: Guru Guha Vaibhavam: <https://guru-guha.blogspot.com/2008/10/dikshitar-kriti-sarasija-nabha-sodari.html>

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

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

**Pallavi:**

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**Anupallavi:**

varadAbhaya kara kamalE SaraNAgata vatsalE

**caraNam:**

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paSu pASa vimOcitE

pannagAbharaNa yutE

nAga gAndhArI pUjitAbja padE

[sadA nanditE](#) sampadE

**madhyama kAla sAhityam:**

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Sankari - O wife of Shiva (Shankara),

pAhi mAm - Protect me!

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SaraNa-Agata vatsalE - O one tenderly affectionate to those who have come seeking refuge!

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**Comments:**

This Kriti is in the eighth (Sambodhana Prathama) Vibhakti

The name 'parandhAma' is found in the Lalita Sahasranama

The names 'padmanAbha sahOdari', 'paSu pASa vimOcinI' and 'mada nASinI' are found in the Lalita Sahasranama, similar to the epithets here

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1	2	3	1	2	3	
					(ndnd)	
S R	pm gr	M P	P-pd	M-ps	<u>nD</u> ;	; ; ; dsnn    P ; ; ; ;
Sa ra	si -- ja-	nA-	bha sO	- da	ri -	
S R	pm gr	M P	P-pd	M-ps	<u>nD</u> ;	S ; ; n s n-d p m    P ; P- pm g r s r
Sa ra	si -- ja-	nA-	bha sO	- da	ri -	San - ka- - ri - - pA - hi mAm - - - -
sr sr	pm gr	M P	<u>P.n</u> - dp	dm-gr	s- D,	nsrg S- n s n-d p m    P ; P- <u>mpdp</u> mgrg
Sa ra	si -- ja-	nA-	bha sO	- da	- ri -	San -- ka- - ri - - pA - hi mAm - - - -
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1	2	3	1	2	3	
; s s	, D,	<u>snN</u> P	; m p	, n N	S ;	
Vara	dA	bha- ya	ka ra	kama	IE	
; s s	, D,	<u>snN</u> P	,d- m p	, n N	S ;	
Vara	dA	bha- ya	ka ra	kama	IE	
ns- r s	, D,	<u>snN</u> P	,d- m p	, n N	S ;	
Vara	dA	bha- ya	ka ra	kama	IE	
ns- r s	, D,	dsnn    P-	m p	, n N	S - ns	
Vara	dA	A-bha- ya	ka ra	kama	IE - -	
ns- r s	, D,	dsnn    P-	m p	, n N	S ;	
Vara	dA	A-bha- ya	ka ra	kama	IE - -	
S R	s r M	r s R	pm dp	s n - r s	, - D,	
Sa ra	NA- -	ga- ta	va- - -	- - tsa -	IE	
; - r s	, D,	<u>snN</u> P	,d- m p	, n N	S ;	
Vara	dA	bha- ya	-- ka ra	kama	IE - -	
S R	s r M	r s R	pm dp	s n - r s	, - D,	
Sa ra	NA- -	ga- ta	va- - -	- - tsa -	IE	

; - r s , D ds nn || P - m p , n N S ; ||  
Vara dA A-bha- ya ka ra kama IE - -

Variant:

; - gr rs , D ds nn || P - m p , n N S ; ||  
Vara dA A-bha- ya ka ra kama IE - -

S R sr Mpm r s R || p n s r s n - dp m g r g ||  
Sa ra NA- - ga- ta va- - - tsa - IE - - - -

sr sr | pm gr M P || P.n- dp | dm - gr s- D , || nsrg S- n s n - d p m || P ; P- mpdp mgrg ||  
Sa ra si - - ja- nA- bha sO - da - ri - San - - ka- - ri - - pA - hi mAm - - - -

S R | pm gr M P || P - dp | dm - ps nD; || ; ; ; ; dsnn || P ; ; ; ; ||  
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1 2 3 1 2 3  
P P ; P D M || P - mg r s - R M ; || pdpd mp ; ; ; ||  
Paran dhA - ma pra kI- - - rti tE

S R Mpm gr M - P || P ; dm - ps , D , ||  
paSu pA- - - Sa vi mO- - - ci - - tE-

P P ; pndd ; P || dp - mg r s - rm rm ; ||  
Paran dhA - - ma pra kI- - - rti tE

S R Mpm gr M - P || dP , dm - gr s- D , ||  
paSu pA- - - Sa vi mO- - - ci - - tE-

P P ; pd ns- sp || dp m- g r s - R M ; ||  
Paran dhA - - ma pra - kI- - - rti tE

S R Mpm gr M - P || dP , dm - gr s- D , ||  
paSu pA- - - Sa vi mO- - - ci - - tE-

pmP ; - ps , D , || M P N N S ; ||  
pan - - na- - gA- bhara Na yu tE

S R sr M G ; || D ; R ; S ; ||  
nA- ga - - gAn dhA rI - pU-

grs - d ; M P N || S ; ; M P ; ||  
ji- tA - bja - pa dE - sa dA

MP ; ps D ; || M- dp ; pm- G ; ||  
Nan- - di- tE - sam- - - pa- dE -

pmP ; - gr s - D , || M P N N S ; || S R sr M G ; || D ; R ; S ; ||  
pan -- na- - gA- bhara Na yu tE - nA- ga -- gAn dhA rI - pU-

grs - d ; dm P N || S ; ; M P ; || MP ; ps D ; || M- dp ; pm G ; ||  
ji- tA - bja - pa dE - sa dA Nan- - di- tE - sam- - - pa- dE -

; M - dp pm G ; || (ALT)  
- sam- - - pa- dE -

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s r m g r s r m P ; || ; ; ; ; ; ||  
vara guru guha jana ni -

s r m g r s r m P ,d || m p n n S ; ; ; ||  
vara guru guha jana ni - mada Sama ni - - -

s r m g r s r m P ,d || m p n n S - p g R - g s ||  
vara guru guha jana ni - mada Sama ni mahi shA sura

s n r s D , - n p m P ||  
mar-di ni man-da gamani

s r m g r s r m p d p d || m p n n S - m g R - g s ||  
vara guru guha jana ni - mada Sama ni mahi shA sura

s n r s D , - n p m P || r s n d p D - p m g r g ||  
mar-di ni man-da gamani man-gaLa vara pra dA- yini

sr sr | pm gr MP || P<sub>n</sub>- dp | dm - gr s - D , || nsrg S- n s n - d p m || P ; P- mpdp mgrg ||  
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S R | pm gr MP || P - dp | dm - ps nD ; || ; ; ; ; dsnn || P ; ; ; ; ||  
Sa ra si - - ja- nA- bha sO - da ri -