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Hearty fraternal greetings and good wishes to all the brothers and sisters who have gathered on this auspicious day of 22nd August 2020. It is coincidental that on this Saturday we also have the birthday of Ganesha as also the birthday of Sripada Srivallabha. It is an auspicious coincidence though in terms of solar calendar we are still in Leo, according to lunar calendar we have already entered into Virgo and we are today on the 4th ascending moon phase in Virgo. The 4th ascending moon phase in Virgo is recognized by the seers as a day where much wisdom showers upon the planet through the constellation Hasta.

The Lord Ganesha is said to have born on this day and he has been showering wisdom upon the planet for the benefit of humanity. Lord Ganesha exists in all the seven planes of existence. He is also called Cosmic Jupiter meaning he permeates the cosmos, the solar system as also the planetary system. And when Moon is in the constellation Hasta according to lunar calendar, in the month of Virgo according to solar calendar, that is the day where a good combination happens between Jupiter and Mercury resulting in fulfilment of the beings.

That's why from most ancient times today is seen as the day where there is an alignment between Jupiter and Mercury that would enable resetting order to one's own life. The predominant characteristic

of Jupiter is he rearranges energies in a manner that we tend to be more radiant and magnetic, the disorder in us is eliminated and order is set. That is why in every household in India or wherever an Indian is on the planet, they keep the symbol of Ganesha thinking that it is a symbol of luck, a symbol of auspiciousness, but auspiciousness or luck do not grow by themselves unless an order is set in oneself. The difference between an iron piece and a magnet is, in the magnet the energies are all completely organized. In the iron piece they are in disorder. So, also in human beings there is order and disorder alternatingly prevailing and more and more disorder sets in, then there is no progress in life.

Progress is what is called movement towards a goal. When you set a goal and move towards it, then such movement is called GAM. That is why the seed sound relating to Ganesha is Gam, “Gam Ganapataye namaha”, meaning he gives such flow of thoughts to us that we continue to move forward and do not get stagnated and do not face impediments and obstacles as we move in life. That is the purpose. Jupiter conducts the rearrangement of energies in us So, that we tend to be magnetic and radiating. That is where the importance of Jupiter is, and Jupiter is the most beneficent planet among the seven planets we think of, and that Jupiter in alignment with Mercury gives us an excellent downpour of energies by which order is set and work is carried out in a manner that life continues to be ever progressive just like a river is ever progressive until it joins the ocean. Thus, today is seen to be a very important day from the standpoint of the planetary arrangement.

It is also an important day because Sripada Srivallabha was also born on the same lunar day, though the constellation is the next constellation called “Chitra”. He was born in the next constellation but the lunar mansion –or the *tithi* or the phase is 4th phase. So, these two dimensions are up to our talk today and they relate to us very much in terms of the energies that Virgo presents every year. Virgo is the sun sign that helps us to build in us virgin energies. Virgin energies means pure energies. That is why in Sanskrit the sign Virgo is called Kanya - Kanya rasi, meaning, sun sign Virgo. It is a state of purity and that state of purity can be gained in association with the wisdom that is showered on us from Jupiter whose representatives are the various teachers on the planet and in the cosmos. Right from the mind born 4 sons of the Creator, whom we call Sanaka, Sanadana, Sanat Kumara, Sanat Sujata as also Narada, and then the Seven Seers, the Prajapatis and the Manus, they have all come down in succession and keep coming cyclically to help this humanity to find order and progress.

A person who is orderly in life only progresses. A person who doesn't have order in life cannot find progress because he creates obstacles to himself. That is why it is said traditionally that if you worship Ganesha there would be no more obstacles. There would be no more obstacles because he helps you to eliminate the disorder in you. There is an order in Creation. All that is in creation moves according to an order except the human being to whom freedom is given with utmost love and affection by the divine. The celestials they fall in order and conduct accordingly. The planets, they are all very orderly. The nature with its five elements is orderly. You find order everywhere except in the human and that order is to be gained by orientation to Jupiter. Jupiter is guru, and guru gives an order to every student, a rhythm by which you can progress if you adopt such rhythm. By adopting to the rhythms gradually impurities are eliminated and purities are gained.

Daily through our life activity impurities keep accumulating in us, and daily we have to eliminate them. Just like there are secretions in the mouth, secretions in the eyes, secretions which we discharge by way of defecation and urination, all these have to be eliminated otherwise we are at discomfort with our body. In the same manner, at the thought plane, there has to be a complete order. When there is a complete order at the thought plane, then you are said to be graced by Jupiter or graced by guru. Just because you have chosen to associate yourself with a name and a form of guru, by itself it does not give any sense for the simple reason around every teacher there are So, many that gather, but not even a handful succeed to gain that orderliness by which the progress is gained. That's what Gam means. Gam is a sound, when you utter forth it moves from Muladhara to Sahasrara: Gammmmmmm. That is why for all other mantras we prefix the sound Om, because Om is also a sound like Gam that moves in all the seven planes. Oooooooooommmmmmm. We can consciously move along with exhalation with the sound, up to Sahasrara. So, is the case with Gam. That is why when we say Gam Ganapataye Namaha we do not prefix Om. That is the speciality of the sound Gam. Om Gam Ganapataye namaha is not

mantra. Gam Ganapataye namaha is the mantra. Om nama Sivaya is a mantra. Om namo Narayanaya is a mantra. Normally for all mantras Om is prefixed, but not for this mantra coming from Jupiter because the base of Jupiter in us is in that lotus which we call Sahasrara padma or thousand petalled lotus. So, therefore, we take to this kind of consecration that we shall reorganize our thought manner, that we keep them as pure as possible, number one, as orderly as possible, number two.

When these two dimensions of thought are fulfilled, the progress is assured for a person. Every person who maintains thoughts of goodwill and who also maintains an orderly functioning on a day to day basis, when these two things are assured, progress is there. If you see an ant, it functions in a very orderly manner. Ants can form into a group and carry out a good task of lifting up the heavier jobs or heavier products to take them into their ant hole and then experience them. An ant gives an ample example of orderliness and group functioning. Group functioning is another dimension relating to Ganesha, because he is said to be the cosmic Lord of grouping. He groups the groups. "*Brahmanam brahmanaspata*" that is how it is said, *Brahmanam brahmanaspata* that is how the mantra is. To be individualistic is seen as a state of ignorance, a state of separatism, a state of egoism. To be collective is already seen as wisdom. Individual ego slowly moulds itself in collective functioning. And in collective functioning jobs are better accomplished. In individual functioning there are limitations of the individual. But when there is a group functioning, one supplements the other. The weaknesses of one may be complemented by the strength of the other and vice versa. Consequently, a group functioning has two purposes achieved, one is that you slowly overcome the limitation of being very individualistic and egoistic, and secondly you are able to deliver the task much better by conducting in a collective manner.

A team work is very important. The five elements, they are ever conducting as a team work. The planets in the solar system conduct themselves as a team with the Sun as their central energy system. The energies from the Sun also emerge groupally by way of seven rays from one white ray.

You see anything in Creation depends upon these that prevail in the cosmos. With Ganesha, all agree. That is the beauty. If you see the stories relating to celestials, the positive node or the negative node, meaning Raju and Ketu, they do not agree with the second logos Vishnu, but they agree with Ganesha. Why? Because Ganesha is agreeable. Likewise, every celestial has certain opposition, only Ganesha has no opposition with any. That is the beauty of being inclusive, being orderly, and being progressive. Even the disorder of people were eliminated at the sight of Ganesha, that is how Ganesha is mentioned in the scriptures. If you look at Ganesha in the morning you are set to order provided you know how to look at Ganesha. We do many things in a mechanical manner, not knowing what it is. But when we carry out activity with knowledge there is a way to regain order in us. And Ganesha gives such an order that no one else can give, that is the beauty. In Ganesha, the first logos Shiva agrees, his consort Parvathi agrees, the second logos Vishnu agrees, as also his consort Lakshmi agrees, the third logos agree, and his lady Saraswathi or Wisdom agrees.

It is said in the scriptures that whenever there is leisure time, people would like to go and seat with Ganesha. The 3 divine dimensions of the Mother, Lakshmi, Saraswathi and Parvathi, if they have a little leisure time they would prefer to go and seat with Ganesha because he is full of joy, full of humour and full of wisdom, all inclusive and never exclusive.

Even Saturn, the planet which is dreaded by many people is pleased when you worship Ganesha, because Ganesha is friendly to all. Through this friendliness he has developed such synthesis in him that all are agreeable to him and all converge into his energies, and most of the celestials have even given way their energies to Ganesha to make him all powerful and an omnipotent being. So, today it is but necessary we think of this energy in the context of Virgo.

Ganesha is said to have been born in the Sun sign Virgo, meaning he is son of virgin. We all know what it means to be a son of virgin. He is extolled, praised and admired as the Son of Virgin, meaning he is reborn in that purity of thought. They also call him "Parshudatma" meaning "the purified soul". Every Master of Wisdom is once again reborn in that purity of thought. Unless the thoughts are pure, one builds limitations around oneself and those limitations cause suffering to them. If I build too many

constrictions around me or if I build too many fences around me, the fences cause constriction to me and my freedom is lost.

Sense of security is one of such constrictions that people suffer from. In pandemic times like this, the more your mind exercises the thought of corona, the more you draw that energy towards you and become a victim of it. Just overcome this thought and be in such thoughts where you are related and elevated. The sky has no limits. The circumference of the thought need not be limited. If you think of the sky or if you think of the air, they have such free movement in the five elements. If you think of fire, it is always vertical, and if you think of water it is ever flowing energies. There are around you So, many dimensions presented by nature to which you can relate and then overcome the mundane human thought. If you look at the tree how beautiful it grows on a daily basis, we don't grow like the tree grows. Do we? The tree is ever growing, but the human may grow in terms of body up to a point; beyond that he cannot grow bodily and he cannot grow in terms of his awareness. But if human can think of moving into realms of thought which are far higher than the mundane, his growth is unlimited and he can grow to be a Son of God.

That is why Sripada Srivallabha is said to be son of a virgin, Ganesha is said to be son of a virgin, and Maria herself is said to be a lady of Virgo. Also in the Indian scriptures we have Radha mentioned in this month as having been born on the 8th phase of Moon by which she is also considered to be of virgin nature. Virgin nature is what we have to work out within ourselves.

Our nature has three dimensions in it. One is beastly nature, which always thinks of its body, its security, its nourishment, like any other animal does. What it requires, where should it eat, and then where should it rest and where should it secure itself. This part is there in the human. And then there is another part in him which is human, where he thinks of fellow humans and see what best he can do for the fellow humans surrounding him. Unless he starts helping the humans in the surroundings he cannot grow in terms of his energy into the surroundings. The more you relate to the surroundings and keep serving the surroundings by relating to the needs of the surroundings your energies are moving outwards and it causes an expansion to you. That is where humanism happens. Then comes the third dimension of mind which is called the divine mind, where you are able to experience the divine plan and conduct yourself in tune with that divine plan and fulfil your life. These are the three dimensions that exist in us.

In Virgo, if you divide the sun sign into three equal parts, the first part belongs to the divine, the second part belongs to human, the third part belongs to the mundane. That is why if you go to second half of Virgo, already we speak of *soonyamasara* and *mahalaya paksha* and all like that. The tradition has inbuilt in it the energy systems that the solar year carries. That is where after the full Moon of Virgo, the times are not considered as auspicious. The times before the full Moon in Virgo are considered to be uprising energies. They are considered to be carrying upright energies. The first ten days, meaning the first ten phases of Moon in Virgo, the day is different from the *tithi*. *Tithi* is measured in terms of movement of Moon. The day is measured in terms of movement of the Earth around the Sun. they are two different things. We should never confuse them. Where *tithi* is to be followed, we follow the *tithi*. Where day is to be followed, we follow the day. The dating system has come to us through Romans who lived and ruled Europe about 500 years before Christ. Before that it was only the lunar phases, there were no days as such. And the names of the months are also mostly the names of the Roman emperors. It has a different purpose. We should know which part of wisdom should be used in which occasion.

So, Therefore, today, we think of the virgin energies, meaning pure energies. Pure energies can happen in us when we keep our thoughts pure. To keep thoughts pure what we have to ensure is that we have to relate - to start with - with the stories of those great initiates who entertained far, far, far superior thoughts than what we carry. The Masters whom we praise in the altar, if we see So, many Masters who have inspired humanity for centuries to come, how did they live? What kind of thoughts they entertained? As humans, why can't we adopt to such thoughts? Why should we limit ourselves only to our personality affairs? Why can't we think a little more than that? That is where the virginity can take place. A virgin mind is one which is ever ready to receive from higher circles. When the water is pure, the sky and the stars are reflected in it as also the bottom of the lake can also be seen in pure waters. If a lake is still

and the waters of the lake are pure, not only the sky and the stars are reflected, but also the pebbles down under are also visible because that kind of transparency is maintained by water which gives us an insight and a vision. An insight is to see within, a vision is to see all around, far and distant. That is possible if only we try to regulate and make sure that we entertain noble thoughts and then submit ourselves to some noble aspiration in life. We should aspire for something noble for which there are enough examples in the form of So, many initiates. We don't have to go up to the Gods. The Gods, they are far, far, far superior in their ability, but the humans have ascended to higher realms by virtue of reorganizing their thought and their action.

So, when we walk into Virgo, we must necessarily make sure that we are no more individualistic. We have to be collective. No one needs to tell us this, because we have been hearing it right from our childhood. We have been studying it in the stories of Avatars and Mahatmas how collective they are. They are not excessively individualistic, constraining themselves to their own houses, to their own little family. They have expanded their activity into the surrounding or moved to include as many as possible.

This inclusivity and the ability to forbear inclusivity and ability to forbear, enables one to grow, number one. Number two, daily entertainment of thoughts of higher nature. If you for example ponder upon the life of Rama, or life of Lakshmana, or that of Sita, or that of Ramakrishna Paramahansa, or Vivekananda, or Master CVV, or Sri Yogananda, or Shirdi Sai, what kind of thoughts did they entertain? What are we doing in their name? In their name what we do is we keep on scratching them to get favours from them. Always seeking favours from the gurus is a very –I should say it is a state of infancy. When you are infant you always seek things from your parents: “I want this, I want that, I want this”. So, this kind of attitude towards divine doesn't let you grow. A child shall have to grow to be a man or a woman self-dependant and be dependable to others. So, as much as you grow in your dependability to the surrounding that can happen only when we relate to the stories of those in humanity who have demonstrated great dimensions as humans. As humans, that is important. That is where when we have to study the story of Ramayana don't already call him the Avatar of second Logos, Vishnú. Take him as human and how he conducted himself. Or you read the story of Yudhishtira in Mahabharata. There also, place yourself in his shoes and walk that life in the mental level and see how he could forbear, what patience he would exercise, how much compassion he has shown. This is how when we relate frequently to the lives of all those whose pictures are all around here, to anyone of them, it elevates us, it uplifts us. When it uplifts, slowly we are into sublime levels of thought, otherwise we only remain judgemental, we remain very critical and we try to see only negative things even in the best of positive things.

It is easy to find fault in an activity than to see in a larger dimension the import of the activity. That is what I always say, when I wear a dress like this, if there is a spot here on account of some ink in the pen which I hold in my pocket, people do not see the rest of the clothing, they only see the spot here. “Ah, you have a spot!” isn't it? Or if something is a bit torn here, their mind goes straight away to that part which is torn. They don't see the rest of the clothing. If on a wall there is a mark, the entire white wall is forgotten, only that is attracted. Even when you see the full Moon, people see the shade in the full Moon, but not the great light that the full Moon reflects on the full Moon day. So, much light it sheds, why you are worried about the shades in the Moon? It means there is something negative in you which doesn't let you see what is positive. To see the positive in all, is what is called the true worship of God. “(quote Sanskrit)” 1:34:54 that is how it is said. I am sorry with the translators, sometimes I speak for the Indians also. This is all listened now by about 16000 people all over the world.

So, when you look to something see the positive dimension of it. To start with, see the positive dimension but not the negative dimension. If you try to see the negative dimension of everything, even in best of things you find the negative. And the consequence is you tend to be more, and more, and more negative. When more and more negativism gets into you, more and more doubts get into you and you tend to be very suspicious, and then by these energies you suffer yourself. That should not happen. We have to review our thought patterns and make sure that we lift them up. We lift up our thought patterns and that lift up Jupiter does, because Jupiter is one who is beyond the circumscriptions of thoughts.

You have Guru at the solar system, you have Brihaspati at the higher system and you have Brahmanaspati at the cosmic plane which is called Ganapati. He is So, inclusive and So, completely above the thoughts of others, he can see more, just like Lord Krishna could always add a dimension to various dimensions that were presented to him. The ability to synthesize a thought, the ability to include all viewpoints to bring out vision is the dimension of Virgo. If there are ten views, we should find a way to include all the ten. A good leader is one who includes the views of all the team members. That is what Ganapati stands for, that is what Virgo stands for, and that energy enables us to move upward, otherwise in the month to come, after Virgo we walk into Libra.

Libra is a sign of tremendous passion and desire. Libra is placed in the navel of our system, while Virgo is between diaphragm and the navel, and Leo is above the diaphragm. So, you have to find an ascension but not a descent by getting into thoughts of passion. It happens when you do not link up to the higher, the mundane pulls you down. This is for certain, because around you there is lot of mundanity and it has its own strength. It pulls you down and puts you to be a horizontal being though you have a vertical spine. Animals have horizontal spine. Only humans have vertical spine. Animals cannot get into heaven, meaning into higher planes of existence, higher states of awareness, they cannot because their very structure is that they have their spine horizontal to Earth. So, you don't see them gaining that kind of ascension into higher planes of existence.

If you see the story of Yudhishtira, when he wanted to take the dog along with him to the kingdom of Theos, he was told that animals are not allowed into higher realms, they have to make their evolution. These are all examples to tell us. So, man can grow vertically, man can also grow horizontally. There are two possibilities. He can conduct both, but if he grows only horizontally but not vertically, he tends to be mundane completely and he loses himself and he gets bound by things. Therefore, we have to supplement our thoughts of mundanity by super-mundane thoughts which are supplied to us through So, many teachings of So, many teachers. Any teacher when you read the teachings that he gives, they cause substantial inspiration to us. The only next step is to see how much we can bring that into our action. So, when we can do that, we move upwards, meaning we tend more and more towards that state in us which is above diaphragm and then into the cave of the heart. If not, we move down to the solar plexus where as we wake up in the morning till we sleep in the night we only think of what we need. That's it. What should I get, where should I get, how should I get? These kinds of thoughts are considered mundane thoughts. What should I do for the benefit of others, how best I can be of use to the surroundings? To be of use to the surroundings you don't have to go into the surroundings, especially in these days where you have the facility of Internet and the electronic media. Through these media we can reach wherever on the planet and keep giving advices or some kind of communications that help people. Some thing or other can always be done if you have the attitude to help the surrounding. When we have the attitude to help the surroundings slowly that very thought puts you into an upward path. When we always think of ourselves, we are into a path which is horizontal or mundane. That is why in Libra or in the month of Aswina we call it, the Mother is said to have sitting on a tiger. She sits on a tiger meaning tiger is full of passion "... like that we say. A Mother sitting on tiger is like our nature being on tiger, that means you cannot get out of the tiger. If you mount down from tiger, the tiger eats you away. Riding a tiger is not possible for all. If you come out of it, the tiger eats you away. Likewise, people are caught in their emotional belongings or attachment to their businesses, to their professions, to their families, to their places, and to their age-old traditions which do not have much meaning, because traditional practices without knowing what they are do not help us. It becomes a rigmarole or a routine, it does not help us. So, to know the significance and to work out -in any act what is important is that your existence is only meaningful when it means some kind of welfare to the surrounding life. When this is absent you walk into Libra, and Libra is full of passion and it brings desire after desire, desire after desire, desire after desire, desire after desire. That is why in the Old Testament they give a story that the serpent has crawled down to earth from the tree and then started crawling upon the earth all the time. The serpent came down from the tree and then has been crawling, crawling, crawling, crawling all the time. It is not able to find the way back to go up. Likewise, we, enter into the passionate world, keep on looking around only to receive from So, many dimensions into you all the time through the ear,

through the eye, through the mouth, through the smell, through the touch and through food, we keep on gathering inside all mundane energies and those energies would totally bind you conditioning you.

So, the way to come out of it is that you move up. At least you have to move up beyond the diaphragm. If you are above the diaphragm you do not fall into passions. To be above the diaphragm I have given in the last teachings, try to be more and more with respiration and pulsation. When you are at leisure and even when you do not have anything to do, do not open a television and do not open a mobile. Instead, just relax, relate to respiration, get into pulsation and that pulsation can lead you up to your head centre. That is the highest point you can reach. To be at your **brow** is said to be the Master of your own nature. To be at the **heart** is to relate to the outer and also to relate to the subtler or higher. So, you are at the junction point, where you can relate to the higher and you can relate to the outer. To be below the diaphragm up to Virgo it is considered OK, up to 50% of Virgo only, up to full Moon only. Why? Because thereafter the pull of the mundane is very high.

The pull of the mundane is something we cannot imagine; it pulls you out. That's why people cannot close their eyes and sit for a while and even if they sit they only keep ideating about this things. The contemporary life events they keep on thinking about, closing their eyes. Better they think of Guru, Parama guru, Paramesti guru, in that manner or get to Sun, and then Central Sun and then Cosmic Sun and then Aditi and then beyond. That is how you have to ensure that you develop this habit of moving up. **If you do not move up, you will fall, that is the secret of life.** You have to be...an effort to move up. If you are not, you fall. That is what is called "the serpent crawled down in Libra and then the man has fallen", that is how the Old Testament says: "the man falls in Libra". We have an Occult Meditation which says: "The man is born in Aries. The sunrise for man is in Aries. The sunset for man is in Libra". Sunset means he is immersed in matter, he no more shines as he should shine as he is required to shine.

He can be a son of man, he can be a son of God, or he can be a son of beast. So, we see in the world as many beastly people that would not hesitate to kill others. One person killing hundred persons is a beastly act. One person helping hundred persons is a divine act. Somewhere in between we have to fit ourselves. That is where Libra says if you get down you fall into sex energy.

Libra leads you to passion and passion leads you to sex. That is where you are stuck with the inter-polar attraction. When a man sees a woman, he gets an unregulated thought or a woman sees a man, the lady gets an unregulated thought. That why? Because the man and the woman in him are not in harmony. At the heart level woman and man are equal. Down below, the man, meaning the nature is more powerful than the person himself.

There are people who would like to be better than what they are but they are unable to, because the patterns are so strong that they are unable to come out of it. By themselves they cannot come out because their nature has completely conditioned them. The conditioned person cannot release himself. That is where there is need for a teacher who is unconditioned. A teacher is one who is beyond the conditioning. You see in the stories of Guru and Sishya, Ganapati and Kumara is one classic example. Likewise, Krishna and Arjuna, classic example. Likewise, Ramakrishna Paramahansa and Vivekananda. Vivekananda is So, very accomplished but not yet as his teacher who is beyond any circumscription of thought. To be beyond and to be able to get in and get out is what is called mastery.

If we get into a thought, at will we should be able to get out of that thought. Normally if we get into a thought the thought draws you, eats you away, pulls you down and until you are completely sucked of your energy, the thought persists. Especially the unpleasant thoughts and painful thoughts they keep on drawing away energy. To get into a thought and to get out of the thought at will is still a possibility when you have entertained pure thoughts. Pure thought is a state where the thought does not condition you, you can be in it and you can get out of it. It is like a spouse, meaning a life partner who gives freedom to the other partner. Male and female are considered friends when they give equal freedom, adequate freedom to each other, then they are friends. So also, you and your thought have to be friends, meaning you should be able to get in and then also get out with much ease. That can happen only in

Kanya rasi or in Virgo sun sign, especially in the first half of the month. If we can do that, we overcome Libra.

Libra is a state where there are attractions and repulsions, attractions and repulsions. We like, we dislike; we like, we dislike; we like, we dislike. This kind of situation pulls you hither and thither all the time. In a given situation whether you like it or not, if you have to be there, be there. Not always in life we get conditions where it is always agreeable to us, isn't it? Do we always have agreeable conditions? But we are in it. We are in agreeable conditions, we are in disagreeable conditions, not because of our choice but because of the flow of tide. So, learn to be and witness it, that is the state where your thought will not have a sway on you. Your thought will not imprison you. Thought imprisonment is a great imprisonment as per as human being is concerned. His prison is nothing but the pattern of thoughts that he holds.

And Virgo is an intellectual sign. The Lord of Virgo is Mercury and Mercury is very analytical, very intellectual, it has to be associated with Jupiter which is full of synthesis and intuition. If you are intuitive you can overcome the conditioning of your intellect. If you have synthesis in you, you can sum up your own analysis into some solution and move forward. That is where Jupiter and Mercury shall have to go together, otherwise Mercury is a problem. If a man is intelligent that is not enough. He has to be virtuous also, otherwise he can create problems to himself.

That is where symbolically the rat who is the vehicle of Ganesha is presided over by Ganesha. Ganesha is Jupiter, rat is Mercury. You know how mercurial is the rat. The skilful ways in which a rat can steal things, the mercurial way through which a rat can steal things is very surprising even to human beings. They can be there anywhere, and they are always on the program of stealing something all the time. That is the intellect which has to be linked with Jupiter. When it is linked with Jupiter, the same intellect works for virtues. An intellect that is submitted to virtuous acts, achieves a lot. "Let virtue be the strength of my intelligence". That is what Master EK has pronounced. Let virtue be the strength of my intelligence. If you are just intelligent, you only tend to be more and more selfish. You want to show your superiority, you want to be with the instinct of winning always. There is as much losing as you win in life. So, when you gain this wisdom of Jupiter, Mercury functions well.

That is why the analysis of Virgo presided by Mercury shall have to be linked to the synthesis of Jupiter which is in Pisces, Meena. They are two opposite signs. Virgo and Pisces are the opposite signs, but the opposites are always complementary to each other. That should be known. The opposites are complementary to each other. One is the obverse of the coin, the other is the reverse of the coin. So, the coin has its obverse and reverse. So, when Virgo is associated with Pisces, when Mercury is associated with Jupiter, it is a very harmonious situation. A rat with Ganesha is a great service. A rat without Ganesha, what a nuisance! That is why he had to be set in order. In the story also he was considered to be an Asura, meaning a person without knowledge, without the light of knowledge. Sura means a being of light, Asura means a being without light, light being knowledge.

So, this rat which is an intellect, the whole world is run by intellectuals who keep on amassing to themselves –be it at individual level, groupal level, national level or global level, that is what all the global powers are doing. They are trying to compete with each other to gain supremacy, but where Jupiter prevails it is the other way. That is why the importance of not letting Mercury by itself is indicated by the story of Ganesha. Do not let your Mercury play havoc on you, to start with. It plays havoc on you, it plays havoc on the surroundings. Associate the Mercury, meaning the discriminative will in you, the intellect in you, with the wisdom in you, then you deliver much better. If we can do so, we can avoid Libra.

When you can avoid Libra, you have no more inter-attractions as between male and female energies, meaning you do not get any unhealthy thought when a male sees a female or a female sees a male. That is called the state of virginity. When a male sees a female, if he does not get unhealthy thought or a female sees a male, if she does not get an unhealthy thought, it is the call of virginity, meaning the bipolar system doesn't work in them because it is worked out in them. By that what happens is in you the zodiac functions as ten sun signs. There is no Libra, there is no Scorpio and you from Virgo you

straight away go to the first half of Virgo, the last part of Scorpio become one sun sign. Libra disappears and you get into Sagittarius.

This is how man tends to be a perfect being when in him there is no want from the surroundings. He is not looking for something from the surroundings. On the contrary, he is transmitting his energies to the surroundings. This is one key given by Madame Blavatsky; in recent times this is one grand key given by Madame Blavatsky that **neutralize Libra in you**. So, that you are better off. Neutralizing Libra in us is nothing but developing a habit of offering things to the surroundings, but not gathering things from the surroundings. Even if you do not gather whatever you need to get, it comes to you. That is how Nature is arranged. But we are engaged in gathering, gathering, gathering, gathering, amassing, amassing, amassing. This is the deficiency in us that causes this kind of gathering. That has to be overcome. That is where the theme for today is that each human being shall have to set his goal to be a son of Virgin. To be a son of Virgin or a daughter of Virgin, meaning he has such pure nature that he is not in want of things. He is only engaged in what he has to do. He has no demands in the surroundings, on the contrary, he tries to fulfil the needs of the others. That is how you have to transform your own being from being an ever receptive energy system to be an ever offering energy system. By such offering yourself to the surroundings, you unfold. The unfolding comes through offering. The more and more you receive you try to grip and then get gripped by what you grip.

That is where today, since it has an astrological significance I thought fit that we reinforce our pattern of thought in such a manner that we think of cooperating with the surroundings, we think of offering to the surroundings. As much as you do that, So, much we unfold. As much as we think of ourselves, even in terms of spiritual progress, we do not progress because it is also a selfish thought. When you are concerned deeply about other's welfare and upliftment of others, your unfoldment is ensured. If you do not do that and keep on relating to the divinity, it doesn't respond to us. This is the fundamental tenet given by the Scriptures, that "as long as you are for others, I am for you". As long as you are for yourself, be with yourself. Because to Him the whole universe matters.

So, we should also learn to cooperate with His thought and function. We cannot just limit ourselves to ourselves and then feel satisfied that we are doing great practices. So, your usefulness, your utility into the surroundings is ultimately what is measured in terms of your progress. That is what we call a vertical growth with horizontal functioning. The functioning has to be in the surroundings. You offer to the surroundings and then you move up vertically. That is what the first half of Virgo speaks of and the first 15 phases of Moon in Virgo - that is after full moon - offer such an energy and we may get into it if we can. And we have to orient to it because all around us are oriented about themselves. So, to orient towards others it requires a reversal of our thinking process. That is where beings come to us some times in the form of Master EK or Sathya Sai Baba, So, many Masters have demonstrated how they have been useful to So, many people. Their life was but dedicated for others. By that, the movement upwards is assured.

People who think only about themselves, only their life or their family, they are stagnated. That should not happen and may the Lord Ganesha help us to move forward with this sound GAM. Let me also inform you that the GAM sound is represented by the trunk of Ganesha, the Ganesha's trunk. If you see from head it has to be up to Muladhara, but what happens is around the diaphragm it takes a curve, meaning it is not vertical in us. It is reminding us we have not been able to gain the vertical energy. That is why artistically the trunk is curved. The trunk is our spinal column through which we have to move upwards. Symbolically the trunk is our spinal column in which we have all the centres of awareness. So, when we say GAM, we mean moving from Muladhara to Ajna. And your head is Ganesha's head. Imagine your head as the head of Ganesha, and your spinal column as the trunk of Ganesha and your ears as the ears of Ganesha, meaning you are all keen to learn, not to speak. Those who speak much cannot deliver much. Those who learn, they learn in different ways. Their ears are open to learn, they are not So, much inclined to speak. They keep learning, learning, that is what the ears of Ganesha which are So, big are indicative. Keep learning and then you listen far, that is another dimension of Ganesha. If Jupiter is cooperative with you, you can listen far. When you listen far you tend to be very intuitive, get ideas like flashes and they help you to tide over a situation.

Intuition can come only to those who have the ability to listen. Intuitively a voice speaks to you and then you listen. It has no language, it comes as an idea and you develop a language to it. That is the beauty of listening. Listening is Brihaspati, speaking is Saraswati. So, be a listener and once you listen well you can also speak well. So, Ganesha gives us this dimensions of listening in preference to speaking and then working with the sound GAM through the spinal column, reaching to the head and develop the field of light in the head from where you receive energies and also a plan of action from higher circles which would fulfil you. That fulfilment is symbolically kept as a large stomach. Ganesha has a fulfilled stomach, meaning he is full in life, nothing is deficient, it is an all - round formation. That is why that kind of belly is set. Even in Buddhist system they have laughing Buddha. We have similar form except that they don't have elephant head. Why elephant head? Elephant is a symbol from the Veda which is indicative of complete wisdom. When Lord Shiva replaced Ganesha's head with elephant head, symbolically it means, the Lord initiated Ganesha to be a complete unit of awareness. He is all wisdom. He needed no more to be guided by anyone. Ganesha thereafter did not need anyone to guide him because he is guided himself. And he has been a guide to many, including his brother Kumara.

So, the beauty of being with wisdom, with Jupiter, is what we have to relate to and this day and even tomorrow are meant for that. Coincidentally we have made this gathering today since we are trying to gather every Saturday for this kind of talk. So, I thank you for your keen listening and see what best we can bring them into ourselves and then transform our pattern of thoughts. That is the most important. When the pattern is reversed the unfoldment becomes possible. When it is not reversed, it remains a wheel.

See, we have in yoga chakras and padmas. Chakra is one that makes a circular movement, you are always with the same thought, same routine, same speech, same actions, same food, same ...all is the same, it is all circular, circular, circular, circular, a rotary function like the rodent round the mill. But if you ... (no audio) by yourself come out of it that is what is called chakra. There is a chakra at Muladhara where you are bound to circular movement with matter. There is a chakra at sacral where you are bound with your emotional moments which keep on visiting you regularly. Then you have a chakra at Manipuraka where you keep on having same pattern of thoughts. These three chakras shall have to become padmas provided you move into the higher state through a drastic change in the pattern of your thinking. These chakras tend to be padmas or lotuses. That is where you have unfolded simultaneously all the three lower centres into lotuses and you find yourself placed in higher Muladhara, higher sacral, higher heart centre. It is a different subject by itself.

But the unfoldment is only through offering. Offering your life for the benefit of others, and gain the necessary inspiration through the lives of initiates and through the lives of avatars. That is what we have to remind ourselves and continue to work in such cooperation as we are doing now. There is a great cooperation behind all this event that is happening today. There is a team that functions to make this facility available, there are translators who are specifically projected to me So, that I do not overlook them and take to a speedier delivering of talk. So, they are intelligent enough to project only translators to me all the time. I see Lucie, I see Sabine Markgraf, I see Dona, I see such others who are regularly translating into various languages. It shows that we are - though local have become global and our thought is extending globally. That kind of expansion shall have to happen in anything that we think and do. So, may we grow in terms of that awareness which we call the awareness of Ganesha, which is all inclusive and never exclusive. So, thank you one and all and we once again meet tomorrow evening for Bhagavatam, Namaskaram.