



SRI SUKTAM SADHANA

विश्वारणे नमस्तुभ्यं नमो विश्वविभूतये
सर्वसामपि सिद्धिनां नमस्ते मूलहेतवे ॥

आदिदेवात्मभूताये नारायणकुटुम्बिनि
समस्तजगदाराध्ये नमस्ते पद्मयोनये ॥

*viśvāraṇe namastubhyaṃ namo viśvavibhūtaye
sarvasāmapī siddhināṃ namaste mūlahetave ॥*

*ādidevātmabhūtāye nārāyaṇakuṭumbini
samastajāgadārādhye namaste padmayonaye ॥*

I salute thee, the source of the universe, adoration to thee who abides in the universe as its glory, O primary cause of all (spiritual) ability (acquired through mantra-worship), I salute thee, who art identical with the primeval God and art Narayana's spouse. O universally propitiated, lotus-born (goddess), I prostrate myself before thee. (Lakshmi Tantra, Trans. Sanjukta Gupta, Motilal Banarsidass. 2002.)

In 2008, I had started a business in India along with a partner. That same year, we bought a factory. We'd ordered new machinery that

would take almost a month to arrive. The timing was such that for one month, our new factory wouldn't have any staff other than the caretaker. The management team would be operating from the corporate headquarters that was in a different city, some 70 km away.

I saw this as a golden opportunity to do the *sadhana* of *Sri Suktam* lasting 16 nights.

In 2010, I renounced the world.

Here's the thing though: the business we had started back then is still going strong and it turned over more than Rs 100 crore last year. Of course, this was not just because of the *sadhana* of *Sri Suktam*, but also due to the immense hard work, smart thinking and relentless execution by my partner and staff. Having said that, I believe, when the seed is divine and healthy, the probability of a sapling turning into a tree remains incredibly high.

Originating from the *Rigveda*, *Sri Suktam* is the most powerful *sadhana* anyone can undertake. It is a *purushcharna* of 16 nights. When done correctly, it tunes your energy with the cosmic energy around you to aid your material progress. Here I share the rites of *purushcharana*, but any aspirant has to earn his right to do the *Sri Sukta Sadhana*, which is gained by diligently following a certain routine for a period of 960 days.

Your first reaction may be a sense of disbelief, thinking, 960 days! "I don't have 960 days or the discipline to follow a routine for 960 days," you may say. Well, if that's the case, I strongly recommend not to waste your time reading more about this *sadhana*. You can do just the Ganesha or Guru *Sadhana*. You can try doing the *purushcharana* of this *sadhana* too without following a regimen but the results are going to be miniscule. Nature is a giant ship that turns slowly. There's nothing called an overnight *sadhana*. If you wish to align the forces of nature using mantra yoga so you are in harmony, it'll take some time.

To do *Sri Sukta purushcharana* successfully, following the schedule for 960 days is pretty much non-negotiable. To carry out the routine requires approximately 45 minutes (excluding the time you may take to bathe every morning).

The daily injunctions are as follows:

1. Your routine (*nitya karma*) for 960 days
2. Bathe every morning
3. Light a lamp at the altar and apply a light saffron *tilak* on your forehead. This *tilak* can be very light if you like, so light that no one will be able to see it. Simply keep a few strands of saffron in a small bowl and add a few drops of water to it. Touch it with your ring finger on your forehead. This will be your *tilak*. Just add a bit of water everyday and add more saffron whenever needed.
4. Chant *Sri Suktam* 11 times in the morning after your a bath
5. Meditate on Sri and Vishnu for five minutes and seat them in your heart most gloriously
6. Chant *Sri Suktam* every evening/night for five times (bathing at this time is advisable though not mandatory. You can simply wash your face, hands and feet, rinse your mouth and apply *tilak* on your forehead.) Light an evening lamp at your altar.
7. Meditate for five minutes before going to bed (you can meditate while sitting on your bed). Once again, seat Sri (Devi) and Vishnu in your heart chakra.

During these 960 days, the practitioner must remain completely vegetarian. No meat, no seafood and no eggs. Dairy is okay; garlic and onions are also okay. The original scriptural injunction requires that the aspirant subsist on the milk (and milk products) of Kapila cow, but I'm imparting to you the way I practiced and benefited from it. *Sampradaya* (tradition) is one of the basic tenets of mantra science. If you follow my tradition, you only need to worry about the rules I state here. Abstinence is not required during these 960 days but it'll be a requirement during the rites of *purushcharana* lasting 16 nights.

If you unintentionally eat something inappropriate (a cake or biscuits containing eggs, for example, or, products containing gelatin, etc.) or break any of the six rules above, the aspirant must

do rites of expiation (*prayaschita*). I've detailed the rites of expiation for this *sadhana* later in this chapter.

If, however, you intentionally violate the principles above, your *sadhana* stands compromised. You must reset the counter and start from the beginning.

If you are unable to follow any of the rules above due to genuine sickness, you must catch up later. For example, if due to an injury or illness, you couldn't bathe one day, the next day, you must do double the amount of chanting and meditation. Similarly, if you were on a long international flight, let's say, and couldn't bathe in the morning, you must make up for this loss by chanting and meditating twice as much the next day.

Diligently follow this rule for three years and you'll be ready to do the transformational *purushcharana* of Mother Divine.

How long does it take

The *purushcharana* is of 16 nights but as I stated earlier, ideally an aspirant should follow a daily routine for 960 days.

When can you start this *sadhana*

The *purushcharana* of *Sri Suktam* can only be done once a year starting on the night of Diwali. When you start on the night of Diwali, it'll conclude on the 16th night. Please consult the *panchangam* or the Indian calendar to know the date of Diwali. Diwali, according to the Gregorian calendar, changes every year because like most other festivals of Sanatana Dharma, Diwali too is based on the lunar calendar.

Who can do this *sadhana*

Any man or woman (irrespective of whether a woman is menstruating during, before or after the *purushcharana*) of any age, religion, ability or background can perform this *sadhana* with

or without initiation. Complete abstinence must be practiced throughout the *puruscharana*. There's no *dosha* (issue) in case of wet dreams or any other involuntary release of sexual fluids. Voluntarily though, any form of sexual gratification is strictly forbidden.

Diet

During the 16-night *sadhana*, you should be on a strict vegetarian diet. Dairy is allowed but no meat, seafood or eggs. No onion or garlic either. Be careful of eating biscuits, cakes, cheeses, supplements, etc., that may contain animal-derived ingredients.

Lamp

The lamp lit in this *puruscharana* can be made of any metal. Even an earthen lamp can be used. The wick must be made of cotton. It is permissible to use braided cotton thread (like the common sacred red thread, *mauli*, for example, or any other) to use as a wick. The oil used in the lamp should be either ghee or sesame oil. If you are doing this *sadhana* in a cold region (as Diwali often falls in winter and it can be very cold in some parts of the world), I would recommend using sesame oil as ghee solidifies very quickly and it may put out your lamp.

Direction

The aspirant should face east, north or northeast while doing the chanting and the *yajna*.

Clothing

Use red-colored clothing only. Ideally you should wear no more than two pieces of red-colored loose cloth on your body — one to cover your lower body and the other to cover the upper part. If you are in a very cold place, you can either use a heater in your room

or sew your upper cloth with a woolen shawl. Women can wear a saree, blouse, etc. Women are allowed to do this *sadhana* even if they are menstruating during these 16 nights. This is a tantric *sadhana* and poses no restrictions based on an aspirant's sex, sexuality or physiology.

Seat

The best seat will be a blanket on which you should spread a red-colored cloth. Your clothes and the color of your seat should be red. The nature of this *sadhana* requires you to sit on the floor. If you are unable to do that, you may try sitting on a chair and setting up a table in front of you with lamp, pots, etc. Personally, I have never experimented with that. If you do, please feel free to share the results of your *sadhana*.

Other than a blanket, you can also take a standard meditation cushion or use any seat made out of cotton.

Seats made of *kusha* grass are also permissible for this *sadhana*.

Posture

Try to maintain the stillness of your posture while you chant with utmost mindfulness, faith and devotion. Please note that mantra *sadhana* is not about reckless chanting of a mantra just for the sake of ticking off an item from your list. It is the soulful process of becoming one with your deity so you may elevate yourself spiritually, materially and emotionally.

Requirements for this *sadhana*

1. A lamp (silver, brass or any other metal. Earthen lamp is fine, too)
2. Ghee to light your lamp
3. Sixteen wicks for 16 nights.
4. Five small water pots, a small spoon and a saucer. They can be

of silver, copper or brass. This is the standard for every *sadhana* and details on how to layout the pots (*patra*) can be found in the chapter *Arrangement of Pots (Patrasadan)* in Detailed Notes.

5. Sweetmeat, jaggery or honey (to make the *madhuparka* offering)
6. Different ingredients are needed for the fire offerings (*yajna*) each day for 16 days. They have been listed against the respective days.
7. In addition to those ingredients, you will need firewood. You can use either wood from a sacred fig (*Ficus religiosa*. Common name: peepul), mango (*Magnifera indica*, Common name: *aam* or *aamra*) or *palasha* (*Butea monosperma*. Common name: *plasha* or *dhak*). You can also use the wood from *deodar* (*Cedrus deodara*. Common name: *devadaru*) or *teak* (*Tectona grandis*. Common name: *sagaun* or *sheesham*).
8. Chanting beads made from rudraksha or lotus seeds (*kamal gatta*)
9. A lot of faith, devotion and discipline

I strongly recommend that after going through this chapter you make a daily checklist in line with the 36 steps I enumerate below. Do make a daily list of what all you require and procure everything in advance so that you don't miss out on the golden opportunity of completing your *sadhana* for the lack of ingredients or so on.

The Mantra

The mantra of this *sadhana* changes every night for the 16 nights. I've specified it in the appropriate subsequent sections under Night 1, Night 2 and so on.

Before You Begin

This *sadhana* starts on the night of Diwali. But, a night prior to starting this *sadhana* (that is the night before Diwali), you have to seek permission from Vedmata Gayatri, the mother of the Vedas.

The simplest way to do that is to sit at your temple after bathing, after sunset. Take a bit of water in your right hand and mentally call upon the Divine Mother in the form of Gayatri and seek Her permission that may She and other forces of nature allow you to complete *Sri Suktam Sadhana*. Leave the water in the plate next to you.

Next, do 30 rounds of chanting of *Savitur Gayatri Mantra*. You can use rudraksha or chandan beads. If you have used any other chanting beads in the past to chant the Gayatri Mantra, you can use the same rosary. Please make sure that you don't use these beads for chanting any other mantra (including *Sri Suktam*).

One round is 108 times, so 30 rounds will be $108 \times 30 = 3240$. I always used to chant 10,000 times before doing any major *purushcharana*. But, 30 rounds will suffice too. After finishing, sleep at the same place where you chanted the Gayatri Mantra. Here's the Gayatri Mantra again for your reference.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ भूर्भुवः स्वः	om bhūrbhuvah svaḥ
तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यम	tatsaviturvareṇyama
भर्गो देवस्य धीमहि।	bhargo devasya dhīmahi।
धियो यो नः प्रचोदयात्॥	dhiyo yo naḥ pracodayāta॥

The Source Hymn (Sri Suktam)

The entire *sadhana* is based on *Sri Suktam* that contains 17 verses. A verse is invoked every night, hence the *sadhana* of 16 nights. You can find *Sri Suktam* below in both Sanskrit and IAST transliteration and the meaning of this beautiful hymn.

	<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
1	हिरण्यवर्णा हरिणीं सुवर्णरजतस्रजाम् । चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥	hiraṇyavarṇāṃ hariṇīm suvarṇarajatasrajām । candrāṃ hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma āvaha ॥
2	तां म आवह जातवेदो लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् । यस्यां हिरण्यं विन्देयं गामश्वं पुरुषानहम् ॥	tām ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmīmanapagāminīm । yasyām hiraṇyaṃ vindeyaṃ gāmaśvaṃ puruṣānaham ॥
3	अश्वपूर्वा रथमध्यां हस्तिनादप्रबोधिनीम् । श्रियं देवीमुपह्वये श्रीर्मा देवी जुषताम्	aśvapūrvām rathamadyāṃ hastinādaprabodhinīm । śriyaṃ devīmupahvaye śrīrmā devī juṣatām ॥
4	कां सोस्मितां हिरण्यप्राकारामार्द्रां ज्वलन्तीं तृप्तां तर्पयन्तीम् । पद्मे स्थितां पद्मवर्णां तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् ॥	kām sosmitām hiraṇyaprākārāmārdrām jvalantīm tṛptām tarpayantīm । padme sthitām padmavarṇām tāmihopahvaye śriyam ॥
5	चन्द्रां प्रभासां यशसा ज्वलन्तीं श्रियं लोके देवजुष्टामुदाराम् । तां पद्मिनीमीं शरणमहं प्रपद्ये'लक्ष्मीर्मे नश्यतां त्वां वृणे ॥	candrāṃ prabhāsām yaśasā jvalantīm śriyaṃ loke devajuṣṭāmudārām । tām padminīmīṃ śaraṇamaham prapadye'lakṣmīrme naśyatām tvām vṛṇe ॥
6	आदित्यवर्णे तपसो'धिजातो वनस्पतिस्तव वृक्षो'थ बिल्वः । तस्य फलानि तपसानुदन्तु मायान्तरायाश्च बाह्या अलक्ष्मीः ॥	ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto vanaspatistava vṛkṣo'tha bilvaḥ । tasya phalāni tapasānudantu māyāntarāyāśca bāhyā alakṣmīḥ ॥

	<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
7	उपैतु मां देवसखः कीर्तिश्च मणिना सह । प्रादुर्भूतोऽस्मि राष्ट्रेऽस्मिन् कीर्तिमृद्धिं ददातु मे ॥	upaitu māṃ devasakhaḥ kīrtiśca maṇinā saha । prādurbhūto'smi rāṣṭre'smin kīrtimṛddhiṃ dadātu me ॥
8	क्षुत्पिपासामलां ज्येष्ठामलक्ष्मीं नाशयाम्यहम् । अभूतिमसमृद्धिं च सर्वा निर्णुद मे गृहात् ॥	kṣutpipāsāmalāṃ jyeṣṭhāmalakṣmīṃ nāśayāmyaham । abhūtimasamṛddhiṃ ca sarvāṃ nirṇuda me grhāt ॥
9	गन्धद्वारां दुराधर्षां नित्यपुष्टां करीषिणीम् । ईश्वरीं सर्वभूतानां तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् ॥	gandhadvārāṃ durādharṣāṃ nityapuṣṭāṃ karīṣiṇīm । īśvarīṃ sarvabhūtānāṃ tāmihopahvaye śriyam ॥
10	मनसः काममाकृतिं वाचः सत्यमशीमहि । पशूनां रूपमन्नस्य मयि श्रीः श्रयतां यशः ॥	manasaḥ kāmamākūtiṃ vācaḥ satyamaśīmahī । paśūnāṃ rūpamannasya mayi śrīḥ śrayatāṃ yaśaḥ ॥
11	कर्दमेन प्रजाभूता मयि सम्भव कर्दम । श्रियं वासय मे कुले मातरं पद्ममालिनीम् ॥	kardamena prajābhūtā mayi sambhava kardama । śriyaṃ vāsaya me kule mātaraṃ padmamālinīm ॥
12	आपः सृजन्तु स्निग्धानि चिक्लीत वस मे गृहे । नि च देवीं मातरं श्रियं वासय मे कुले ॥	āpaḥ sṛjantu snigdhāni ciklīta vasa me grhe । ni ca devīṃ mātaraṃ śriyaṃ vāsaya me kule ॥
13	आर्द्रा पुष्करिणीं पुष्टिं पिङ्गलां पद्ममालिनीम् । चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥	ārdrā puṣkariṇīm puṣṭiṃ piṅgalāṃ padmamālinīm । candrāṃ hiraṇmayīṃ lakṣmīṃ jātavedo ma āvaha ॥

	<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
14	आर्द्रा यः करिणीं यष्टिं सुवर्णा हेममालिनीम् । सूर्या हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥	ārdrāṃ yaḥ kariṇīṃ yaṣṭiṃ suvarṇāṃ hemamālinīm । sūryāṃ hiraṇmayīṃ lakṣmīṃ jātavedo ma āvaha ॥
15	तां म आवह जातवेदो लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् । यस्यां हिरण्यं प्रभूतं गावो दास्यो'श्वान् विन्देयं पुरुषानहम् ॥	tāṃ ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmīmanapagāminīm । yasyāṃ hiraṇyaṃ prabhūtaṃ gāvo dāsyo'śvān vindeyaṃ puruṣānaham ॥
16	यः शुचिः प्रयतो भूत्वा जुहुयादाज्यमन्वहम् । सूक्तं पञ्चदशर्चं च श्रीकामः सततं जपेत् ॥	yaḥ śuciḥ prayato bhūtvā juhuyādājyamānvaham । sūktaṃ pañcadaśarçaṃ ca śrīkāmaḥ satataṃ japet ॥

Translation

- 1 Invoke for me, O Agni, the Goddess Lakshmi who is radiant like gold, beautiful yellow in hue, adorned with garlands of silver and gold, magnanimous like the moon and an embodiment of wealth and prosperity.
- 2 O Agni! Invoke for me the Goddess who will stay by my side and bless me so I may acquire material wealth of gold, cows, horses and attendants.
- 3 I invoke Sri, the resplendent Mother Divine who is the Goddess of prosperity, most gloriously accompanied by her retinue of horses in the front, chariots in the middle and whose arrival is announced by the trumpeting of elephants. May she come and bless me.

Translation

- 4 I invoke Sri of the lustre of burnished gold, beautiful like the lotus she's seated on, the ever smiling, benevolent, Mother Divine who is the Goddess of prosperity, an embodiment of Absolute Bliss, who is blazing with splendour. She grants the wishes of her devotees.
- 5 I seek refuge at the lotus feet of the Goddess who is as beautiful and bright as the moon, who blazes with illustriousness, who is adored by the gods and exceedingly munificent. May my misfortunes end. I invoke thee.
- 6 O Mother Divine, resplendent as the sun! As a result of thy glories and penance have the sacred plants like bilva come into existence. May the fruits of (such penance) destroy all inauspiciousness arising out of my impure thoughts and ignorant actions.
- 7 With thy grace, O Mother! I'm living in a blessed country. May Kubera (the guardian lord of wealth) and Kirti (fame) come to me. May the Gods bestow upon me fame and prosperity.
- 8 With thy grace and my efforts, I shall ward off inauspiciousness and distressing poverty as hunger, thirst and the like. O Lakshmi! Dispel from my home every misfortune and insufficiency.
- 9 I invoke Sri, Mother Divine who's the supreme controller of all beings, who can be perceived through heady fragrance, who is beyond defeat and threat, who is ever virtuous and abundant.
- 10 O Mother Divine, Goddess of prosperity, May we enjoy the fulfilment of our noble desires, may we be blessed with the veracity of speech, wealth and abundant foodgrains. May prosperity and fame reside in thy devotee.

Translation

- 11 O Kardama! Make her who was born to Kardama (i.e., to you) abide with me. Make the Goddess of Prosperity who is the mother of the universe and wears garlands of lotuses, dwell in our family.
- 12 Let the waters produce oily products (like butter) in my house. O Chiklita, dwell in my house and make the Goddess of Prosperity, the Divine Mother, also dwell in my family.
- 13 O Jataveda! Bring to me the extremely benign Lakshmi who is reddish in complexion, who dwells in lakes and who possesses the Moon's brilliance and gold in abundance.
- 14 O Jataveda! Bring to me the extremely benign Lakshmi of a golden complexion who dwells in lakes, who is the bestower of plenty, who wears a garland of gold, who is resplendent like the sun and abounds in wealth.
- 15 O Jataveda! Bring to me that Lakshmi who will not forsake me and by whose grace I may obtain in plenty gold, cows, maids, horses and men servants.
- 16 He who is desirous of becoming prosperous should, after making himself pure and controlling his senses, make daily offerings of melted butter in the fire. He should also repeat always the above stanzas of mantras.

How to perform the rites of invocation (Puruscharana)

As I wrote earlier, if you've followed the daily routine (*nitya karma*) everyday for nearly three years, you are most certainly ready to perform the rites of invocation (*purushcharana*). If, however, you haven't done three years yet or not at all, you can still try this *sadhana* to catch a glimpse, but I remain skeptical about seeing any significant results without following the daily routine first for 960 days.

Every night, for 16 nights, you'll be invoking a different mantra. But every night, the first few steps will be the same. Step 17 (taking the vow – *sankalpa*) will be done only on the first night. For all the remaining days, you don't need to do this step. All the steps are as follows. Please note that the details of each one of these steps and how to perform it, etc., can be found in the chapter *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*. Wherever this *sadhana* deviates from the standard instructions, I've given the details next to that step.

Remember though that one night before commencing *Sri Suktam Sadhana*, you've to seek permission from Vedmata Gayatri. I've stated the procedure in an earlier section in this chapter 'Before you begin'.

Here are the 36 steps of *Sri Suktam Sadhana*.

1. Bathe
This *sadhana* starts after sunset. Even if you bathed in the morning – something an aspirant must always do – take a bath again every night before commencing the rites.
2. Put on fresh clothes
3. Clean your altar (enter the sanctum sanctorum)
Set up your altar by laying the pots as per *Arranging the Pots (Patrasadana)* in Detailed Notes. Make sure you wash all the pots and lamp every day before using it.
4. Purify the surroundings
5. Self purification (*Achamana*)
Wash your hands (*hasta prakshalana*)
6. Light the lamp (You can also light incense at this stage if you like, but it's optional).
7. Invoke Ganesha
8. Show three handlocks for Ganesha (Ganesh mudra)
9. Chant the Vedic hymn of auspiciousness (*Svastivachana*)
10. Meditate on your guru (*Guru dhyana*)

11. Chant your guru mantra (Guru mantra *japa*)
12. Offer obeisance to all siddhas
13. Meditate on your deity (*Ishta dhyana*)

If you pray to a specific god, pray to that deity now or simply meditate on Mother Divine using the mantra below.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
सिन्दूरारुण विग्रहां त्रिनयनां माणिक्यमौलि स्फुरत्	sindūrāruṇa vighrahāṃ trinayanāṃ māṇikyamauli sphurat
तारा नायक स्हेखरां स्मितमुखी मापीन वक्षहोरुहाम् ।	tārā nāyaka shekharāṃ smitamukhī māpīna vakṣhoruhām ।
पाणिभ्यामलिपूर्ण रत्न चण्डकं रक्तोत्पलं बिभ्रतीं	pāṇibhyāmalipūrṇa ratna caṣhakam raktotpalaṃ bibhratīṃ
सौम्यां रत्न घटस्थ रक्तचरणां ध्यायेत् परांम्बिकाम् ॥	saumyāṃ ratna ghaṭastha raktacaraṇāṃ dhyāyet parāṃmbikām ॥
Translation	
Meditate on the Divine Mother as shining in a buxom vermilion-red body. She has three eyes. Sporting a resplendent crown studded with rubies and crescent moon, with a beautiful smiling face and a splendid bust, she is holding a cup studded with jewels and brimming with a heady drink made from honey and water. In her other hand, she holds most delicately a twirling red lotus.	

14. Chant the preliminary mantra (*Ishta mantra japa*)
If you have been initiated into any mantra, chant that mantra now 11, 21 or 31 times. If you have never been initiated into a mantra by a guru, simply chant the mantra of this *sadhana*. (For each night, there's a different mantra. So refer to that particular night to see which mantra you should be chanting).
15. Pray to Mother Earth (*Prithvi pooja*)

16. Take the vow (*Sankalpa*)

This is done only on the first night. You don't have to chant the standard vow in Sanskrit because to do that properly you will either need to consult a pandit who can tell you the exact lunar dates, arrangement of planets and various other astrological aspects that are taken into consideration while chanting a vow, or you have to have that knowledge yourself. The chances of committing mistakes that way remain high. It's much simpler and better to make your pact with the universe by saying your vow out loud in whatever language you know. The vow is given in step 16 in the chapter *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.





17. Mantra breathing (*Mantra shvasa*)

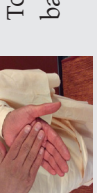
18. Application (*Viniyoga*)

This will change every night for 16 nights and is detailed under the respective section.

19. Purification of hands (*Kara shuddhi*)

Chant the following mantras and show the appropriate mudras to perform purification of the hands.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Handlock (Mudra)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	aiṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।		Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
ॐ तर्जनीभ्यां नमः ।	hrīm̐ tarjanībhyāṃ namaḥ ।		Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
ॐ मध्यमाभ्यां नमः ।	śrīm̐ madhyamābhyāṃ namaḥ ।		Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
ॐ अनामिकाभ्यां नमः ।	aiṃ anāmikābhyāṃ namaḥ ।		Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Handlock (Mudra)	Gesture with both hands
<p>ह्रीं कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां नमः।</p>	<p>hrīm kaniṣṭhikābhyām namaḥ।</p>		<p>Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.</p>
<p>श्रीं करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां नमः।</p>	<p>śrīm karatalakara pṛṣṭhābhyām namaḥ।</p>		<p>Touch the back of your left hand with the back of your right hand and then clap softly.</p>

20. Unification with the mantra (Mantra *nyasa*)


In this *sadhana*, mantra *nyasa* will change every night. I've given details of such *nyasa* against relevant nights.


21. Preliminary mantra chanting (*Purva mantra japa*)

Once you are done with the *nyasa*, chant your mantra of that particular night 16 times.

22. Preliminary handlocks (*Purva mudra*)

Show the following four mudras:

Handlock (Mudra)	Handlock (Mudra)	Gesture with both hands
Dhenu		Join right index finger at the tip of the left middle finger while the left index finger should touch the tip of the right middle finger. The right ring finger should touch the tip of the left little finger while the left ring finger should touch the tip of the right ring finger. Join both thumbs at their tips. Point it downwards.
Kalash		Form a fist with your right and hold the fist with your left hand. There's an alternate way as well of Kalash mudra: make fists with both hands and bring them together.
Matasya		Join all fingers and spread the thumbs. Let the right-hand rest on your left.

<i>Handlock (Mudra)</i>	<i>Handlock (Mudra)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
Paash		Entwine the two index fingers and let the right hand hang down.

23. Sixteen offerings (*Shodoshopchara*)

Please make the following 16 offerings every night:

I. Invoke with the first verse

Fold your hands in the pose of 'Namaste' and bring them close to your heart. Chant the following verse to invoke the grace of Devi.

*hiraṇya-varṇām hariṇīm suvarṇa-rajata-srajām,
candrām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma āvaha.*

II. Welcome with the second verse

Believing that Devi has come, chant the second verse to welcome Her.

*tām ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmī-mana-pagāminīm,
yasyām hiraṇyaṁ vindeyaṁ gāmaśvaṁ puruṣānaham.*

III. Offer a seat with the third

Chant the third verse of *Sri Suktam* to offer Her a seat.

*aśva-pūrvām ratha-madhyām hasti-nāda-pramodinīm,
śriyaṁ devīm-upahvaye śrīrmā devīr-juṣatām.*

IV. Offer arghya and padya with the fourth

Offer Her water and wash Her feet by chanting the fourth verse. Simply take water from the water-offering pot (*arghya patra*) and

put it in the plate next to you. And then take water from the washing pot and put it in the plate again. The verse has to be chanted only once.

*kām sosmitām hiraṇya-prākārām-ārdrām jvalantīm tṛptām tarpayantīm,
padme sthitām Padma-varṇām tāmih-opahvaye śriyam.*

V. Offer achmana with the fifth

This is not an aspirant doing *achmana* but offering *achmana* to the deity. So, take a spoonful of water from the water pot (*achmana patra*) and put it in the plate next to you.

*candrām prabhāsām yaśasā jvalantīm śriyam loke deva-juṣṭāmudārām,
tām padminīmīṃ śaraṇamaham prapadye alakṣmūrme naśyatām tvām vṛṇe.*

VI. Offer water oblation with the sixth

Take a spoonful of water from the water-offering pot (*arghya patra*) and put it in the plate while you chant the verse below.

*ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto vanaspatistava vṛkṣo'tha bilvaḥ,
tasya phalāni tapasā nudantu māyāntarāyāśca bāhyā alakṣmīḥ.*

VII. Mentally bathe Devi with the seventh

Take a spoonful of water from the pot containing water for washing (*padyam*) and put it in the plate. Chant the verse below.

*upaitu mām devasakhaḥ kīrtiśca maṇinā saha
prādurbhūto'smi rāṣṭre'smin kīrtimṛddhirṃ dadātu me.*

VIII. Offer Her clothing with the eighth verse

Take two flowers or any small pieces of fresh clothes and put them by the feet of your deity. If you are not using any idol or yantra, you

can then leave this next to the lamp. (Make sure you maintain safe distance between lamp and the clothes to prevent any fire hazard.)

*kṣutpipāsāmalām jyeṣṭhāmalakṣmīm nāśayāmyaham,
abhūtimasamṛddhiṃ ca sarvām nirṇuda me grahāt.*

IX. Offer ornaments with the ninth verse of Sri Suktam

Take a flower as an ornament and offer it to your deity, yantra or the lamp. Chant the verse below.

*gandhadvārām durādharṣām nityapuṣṭām karīṣiṇīm,
īśvarīm sarvabhūtānām tāmihopahvaye śriyam.*

If your financial resources permit, you can offer full length clothes and ornaments of gold, silver, etc., and at the end of 16 nights, you can give that in charity to someone who is either a Devi *upasaka* or leads a sattvik life. The recepint can be male or female.

X. Offer Her perfume with the tenth verse

Take a spoonful of water from the pot containing fragrant water and put it in the plate next to you. Chant the verse below while you do that.

*manasaḥ kāmamākūtim vācaḥ satyamaśimahi,
paśūnām rūpamannasya mayi śrīḥ śrayatām yaśaḥ.*

XI. Offer flowers with the eleventh verse

Take one or more flowers, recite the verse below and offer the flower(s) at the lamp. The following verse is to be recited while you make the offering.

*kardamena prajā bhūtā mayi sambhava kardama,
śriyam vāsaya me kule mātaram padmamālinīm.*

XII. Offer incense with the twelfth verse

If you are burning incense, turn it clockwise in front of the lamp, idol or the *yantra*. In case you are not burning incense, simply close your eyes and offer it mentally. Make the offering with the verse below.

*āpaḥ srjantu snigdhāni ciklīta vasa me grhe,
nica devīm mātaraḡi śriyaḡ vāsaya me kule.*

XIII. Offer lit lamp with the thirteenth verse

If you have lit a lamp in front of an idol, picture or *yantra*, simply lift the lamp and turn it clockwise once while chanting the following verse. If you are praying to the lamp itself, just touch the base of the lamp while reciting the verse.

*ādrām puṣkariṇīm puṣṭim suvarṇām hemamālinīm,
sūryām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma āvaha.*

XIV. Offer madhuparka with the fourteenth

Generally, *madhuparka* is made by mixing honey with ghee. For convenience and practical purposes, you can use just honey or any sweetmeat (even jaggery) to make an offering to Devi. Please chant the verse below. At the end of your pooja, you can offer this sweetmeat to anyone. If there's no one, feel free to eat it yourself.

*ādrām yaḥ kariṇīm yaṣṭim piṅgalām padmamālinīm,
candrām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma āvaha.*

XV. Eulogize (prapanna aarti) with the fifteenth

Simply fold your hands in 'Namaste', close to your heart, and chant the verse below.

*tām ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmīmanapagāminīm,
yasyām hiraṇyaḡ prabhūtaḡ gāvo dāsyo'śvānvindeyaḡ puruṣānaham.*

XVI. Salutation with Sri Gayatri

The 16th verse of *Sri Suktam* is not chanted to make the 16th offering. Instead, the Laxmi Gayatri Mantra is chanted, primarily because the 16th verse forms spelling out the benefits of chanting (*phala shruti*) this hymn.

*ōm mahādevyai ca vidmahe viṣṇupatnī ca dhīmahi,
tanno lakṣmīḥ pracodayāt.*

Once you are done with making the 16 offerings, you are ready to proceed to step 24 in the rites of *puruscharana*.

24. Invoke the mantra (Mantra *samskara*)

Mantra *samskara* is not required for this *sadhana*.

25. Meditate on your mantra (Mantra *dhyana*)

Every night, offer the following prayer to Mother Divine. This marks the completion of the 25 steps. You are now ready to do the mantra chanting as per the next step.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
विश्वारणे नमस्तुभ्यं नमो विश्वविभूतये सर्वसामपि सिद्धिनां नमस्ते मूलहेतवे ॥	viśvāraṇe namastubhyaṃ namo viśvavibhūtaye sarvasāmapi siddhināṃ namaste mūlahetave ॥
आदिदेवात्मभूताये नारायणकुटुम्बिनि समस्तजगदाराध्ये नमस्ते पद्मयोनये ॥	ādidevātmabhūtāye nārāyaṇakuṭumbini samastajagadārādhye namaste padmayonaye ॥

Translation

(I salute thee, the source of the universe, adoration to thee who abides in the universe as its glory, O primary cause of all (spiritual) ability (acquired through mantra worship), I salute thee, who art identical with the primeval God and art Narayana's spouse. O universally propitiated, lotus-born (goddess), I prostrate myself before thee.

26. Mantra chanting (*Moola mantra japa*)
If you recall, *Sri Suktam* has 16 verses and each night you will chant a different verse. Every night, there are some seed syllables that are appended at the beginning and end of the verse. Your mantra every night is going to be different. The number of times you have to chant every night can also vary. At the end of the steps in this *puruscharana*, I've detailed all the requirements and instructions for each day separately. For now, let me enumerate the next steps for you.
27. Post-japa handlocks (*Uttara mudra*)
Once you are done with your *japa*, show the mudras as per step 27 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.
28. Offering of chanting (*Japa samarpana*)
Make an offering of the *japa* to your deity. You can find the mantra and process as stated in step 28 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.
29. Freeing all energies (*Visarjana*)
All the energies who participated in your *sadhana* for the night are now given a send off with this step. Please follow the instructions given in step 29 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.
30. Seeking forgiveness (*Kshama prarthana*)
It's now time to seek forgiveness for any mistakes of omission

or commission committed out of ignorance or otherwise. The mantra and process of seeking forgiveness is detailed in step 30 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.

31. Fire offerings (*Yajna*)

The process of *yajna* has been detailed in the chapter *How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)*. For this *sadhana*, you'll require different ingredients every night. I've listed those ingredients for each night under the appropriate section.

32. Libations (*Tarpana*)

Please follow the instructions as given in step 32 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*. Your mantra for libations will also change every night and I've noted that under each night.

33. Coronation (*Marjana* or *abhishekam*)

Once again, you can read about *marjana* in step 33 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*. For each night, I've provided the appropriate mantra for *marjana* in the notes below.

34. Charity (*Sadhak bhojan* or Brahmin *bhoj*)

By the time you'll finish your *japa*, *yajna*, etc., for the night, it would be early morning. You can then either set aside some money that you can give to a believer of Devi (*Devi upasaka*), so he can buy his own meal. Or, you can cook a meal and serve it to him for breakfast. Or, you can have a meal cooked by anyone else but serve it yourself. Whatever is convenient for you works. It's important to do it with the sentiment of charity.

35. Seek forgiveness again (*Kshama prarthana*)

Repeat the hymn of forgiveness as in step 30 for there might have been mistakes in your actions from step -31-34.

36. Offer water to the sun (*Surya arghya*)

Follow the instructions given in step 36 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*.

The section below details your night-by-night routine and instructions for 16 nights of Sri Suktam *Sadhana*. For each night, your mantras for chanting, *yajna*, libation, coronation, etc., will

change. I've noted them duly. At the beginning of each night, you'll find a table that lists the relevant mantras, the number of times you need to chant it and different ingredients required for the *yajna*.

Night 1

It always takes a bit longer on the first day compared to all the other days because all steps are new and it takes more time to perform each step.

Night 1

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagri)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ।
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
हिरण्यवर्णा हरिणीं सुवर्णरजतस्रजाम् ।
चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīm̐ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ
vaṃ śrīṃ ।
oṃ śrī hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ ।
hiraṇyavarṇāṃ hariṇīm̐
suvarṇarajatasrajām ।
candrām̐ hiraṇmayīm̐ lakṣmīm̐ jātavedo ma
āvaha ॥
namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ oṃ ।
āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīm̐ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ
vaṃ śrīṃ oṃ ॥

Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.	
<i>Fire offerings (Yajna)</i>		
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (Skt: ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say Om Svaha and then make an offering in the fire pit.	
Count	108 times.	
Ingredients for fire-offerings	Ghee	200 grams
	Raisins (50 grams)	50 grams
	Havan Samagri	1 packet
	White sesame seeds	50 grams
	Red sandalwood	One small piece
Instructions	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> .	
	1. Mix raisins, havan samagri and white sesame seeds.	
	2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.	
	3. After you have made 108 offerings (ahuti), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit.	
	4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this yajna.	
5. If you feel the fire going off while you do yajna, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.		

<i>Libations (Tarpana)</i>	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add 'tarpyami' (Skt: तर्प्यामि, tarpyāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana), and add 'tarpyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
<i>Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)</i>	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add 'marjyami' (Skt: मार्जयामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana), and add 'marjyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. *Nyasa*, application (*vinīyoga*) and mantra will change every night. Mantra has been already specified in the previous table, *vinīyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Vinīyoga)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री हिरण्यवर्णा इति श्री सूक्त प्रथम मंत्रस्य चिक्लीत ऋषि, श्री महाविद्या	oṃ asya śrī hiraṇyavarṇāṃ iti śrī sūkta prathama maṅtrasya ciklīta ṛṣi, śrī mahāvīdyā

सर्वसिद्धि प्रदायै देवता, सर्वार्थ
साधक शक्ति, श्री बीजं, भुवनेशी
महाविद्या, ह्रीं उत्कीलन, सर्व
मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी
प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ प्रथम मंत्र जपे
विनियोगः ।

sarvasiddhi pradāyai devatā,
śrī bījaṃ, sarvārtha sādḥaka
śakti, bhuvaneśī mahāvidyā,
hrīṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala
kāriṇyāi bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda
siddhayartha prathama maṅtra jape
viniyogaḥ ।

Follow the standard procedure of viniyoga by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation).

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with the *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*)

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
श्री कर्दम चिक्लीत ऋषयै नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī kardama ciklīta ṛṣayai namaḥ sahasrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
भागवती श्री सर्वसिद्धिप्रदायै नमः द्वादशारै हृदि ।	bhāgavatī śrī sarvasiddhipradāyai namaḥ dvādaśārai hradi ।	Heart
सर्वार्थ साधक शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	sarvārtha sādḥaka śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
श्रीं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनी ।	śrīṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
भुवनेशी श्री विद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कण्ठे ।	bhuvaneśī śrī vidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṅṭhe ।	Throat
रजोगुणाय नमः अंतरारै मनसि ।	rajoguṇāya namaḥ aṅtarārai manasi ।	Heart (again)
रसना ज्ञानेन्द्रियाय नमः चेतसी ।	rasanā jñānendriyāya namaḥ cetasī ।	Mouth (just open your mouth a bit while touching).
वाक् कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	vāk karmendriyai namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
मध्यम स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	madhyama svarāya namaḥ kaṅṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple).
भुतत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhutatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically).
विद्या कलायै नमः करतले ।	vidyā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left hand
ह्रीं उत्कीलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	hrīṃ utkīlanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
प्रवाहिनी मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	pravāhinī mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge	Whole body (Do this by rolling your right hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently).

Now perform the *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in the table below; I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ हिरण्यवर्णा अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ hiraṇyavarṇāṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
श्रीं हरिणीं तर्जनीभ्यां स्वाहा ।	śrīṃ hariṇīṃ tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
ह्रीं सुवर्णरजतस्त्रजाम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	hrīṃ suvarṇarajatastrajām madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
श्रीं चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	śrīm candrām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm anāmikābhyām hum ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
ऐं जातवेदो कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	aiṃ jātavedo kaniṣṭhikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
सौं: ममावह करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	saumḥ mamāvaha karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left hand with the back of your right hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in the chapter on *nyasa*. I am providing them in this chapter once again for your reference.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Posture	Description
ॐ हिरण्यवर्णा हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ hiranyavarṇāṃ hradayaṃ namaḥ ।		Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
श्रीं हरिणीं शिरसे स्वाहा ।	śrīm harinīm śirase svāhā ।		Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
ह्रीं सुवर्णरजतस्तजाम् शिखायै वषट् ।	hrīm suvarṇarajatastrajām śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।		Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Posture	Description
श्री चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं कवचाय हुं ।	śrīṃ candrām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm kavacāya huṃ ।		Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands. Generally, in Devi Pooja, left-hand is on top of the right and in Devata Pooja, right on top of the left. This is, however, just a guideline and not a rule.
रं जातवेदो नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	aiṃ jātavedo netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।		Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simultaneously. Netra traya means the three eyes.
सौः म आवह अस्त्राय फट् ।	sauḥ mamāvaha astrāya phaṭ ।		Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 2

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagri)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ।
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
तां म आवह जातवेदो लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् ।
यस्यां हिरण्यं विन्देयं गामश्वं पुरुषानहम् ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥
om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm ।
om śrīm hīm śrīm namaḥ ।
tām ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmīmanapagāminīm
।

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

yasyā hiraṇyaṃ vindeyaṃ gāmaśvam
puruṣānaham ॥
namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om ।
āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm
om ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (Skt: ॐ
स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra.
Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and
then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

108 times.

Ingredients for
fire-offerings

Ghee	200 grams
White rice (50 grams)	50 grams
Havan Samagri	1 packet
Black sesame seeds	50 grams
Jaggery	50 grams
White sandalwood	One small piece

Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna). Mix white rice, havan samagri, jaggery and black sesame seeds.</p> <p>Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.</p> <p>After you have made 108 offerings (ahuti), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the firepit.</p> <p>Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this yajna.</p> <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do yajna, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>
<i>Libations (Tarpana)</i>	
Mantra	<p>Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘tarpyami’ (Skt: तर्प्यामि, tarpyāmi) at the end of your mantra.</p>
Instructions	<p>Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana), and add ‘tarpyami’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.</p>
<i>Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)</i>	
Mantra	<p>Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘marjyami’ (Skt: मारज्यामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.</p>
Instructions	<p>Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana), and add ‘marjyami’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.</p>

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *Nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. Mantra has been already specified in the previous table, *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Vinnyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री तां म आवह इति श्री सूक्त द्वित्य मंत्रस्य श्री कर्दम चिक्लीत ऋषि, भगवती सर्वकाम प्रदायै देवी, ज्योति शक्ति, श्री बीज, कमला महाविद्या, क्ली उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ द्वितीय मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī tāṃ ma āvaha iti śrī sūkta dvitya maṅtrasya śrī kardama ciklīta ṛṣi, bhagavatī sarvakāma pradāyai devī, śrīm bīja, jyoti śakti, kamalā mahāvidyā, klīm utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha dvitīya maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>vinnyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*)

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right hand your...
श्री कर्दम चिक्लीत ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī kardama ciklīta ṛṣaye namaḥ sahasrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right hand your...</i>
भगवती सर्वकामप्रदायै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	bhagavatī sarvakāmapradāyai devyai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
ज्योतिशक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	jyotiśaktayai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
श्रीं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	śrīṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
भुवनेश्वरी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	bhuvaneśvarī mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṅṭhe ।	Throat
रजोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajoguṇāya namaḥ am̐tarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
श्रोत्र ज्ञानेन्द्रियाय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	śrotra jñānendriyāya namaḥ jñāneindriye ।	Ears
वाक् कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	vāk karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
उच्चस्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	ucsvārāya namaḥ kaṅṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
भुतत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhutatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
विद्या कलायै नमः करतले ।	vidyā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left hand

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right hand your...</i>
क्लीं उत्कीलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	klīṃ utkīlanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
संकोचिनी मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	saṃkocinī mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (Do this by rolling your right- hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform the *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in the table below; I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ तां म आवह अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ tāṃ ma āvaha aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
श्रीं जातवेदो तर्जनीभ्यां स्वाहा ।	śrīṃ jātavedo tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
ह्रीं लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	hrīṃ lakṣmīmanapagāminīm madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
श्रीं यस्यां हिरण्यं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	śrīm yasyām hiraṇyaṃ anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
ऐं विन्देयं कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	aiṃ vindeyaṃ kaniṣṭhikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
सौं: गामश्वं पुरुषानहम् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	saumḥ gāmaśvaṃ puruṣānaḥam karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ तां म आवह हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ tāṃ ma āvaha hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
श्रीं जातवेदो शिरसे स्वाहा ।	śrīm jātavedo śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
हीं लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	hrīm lakṣmīmanapagāminīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
श्रीं यस्यां हिरण्यं कवचाय हुं ।	śrīm yasyāṃ hiraṇyaṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
ऐं विन्देयं नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	aiṃ vindeyaṃ netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
सौं: गामश्वं पुरुषानहम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	saumḥ gāmaśvaṃ puruṣānaham astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 3

<i>Chanting (Japa)</i>											
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagri)	<p>ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । अश्वपूर्वा रथमध्यां हस्तिनादप्रबोधिनीम् । श्रियं देवीमुपह्वये श्रीर्मा देवी जुषताम् ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥</p>										
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	<p>om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm om śrīm hrīm śrīm namaḥ । aśvapūrvāṃ rathamadyāṃ hastinādaprabodhinīm । śriyaṃ devīmupahvaye śrīrmā devī juṣatām ॥ namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om । om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm om ॥</p>										
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.										
<i>Fire offerings (Yajna)</i>											
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (Skt: ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.										
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.										
Ingredients for fire-offerings	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Ghee</td> <td style="text-align: right;">200 grams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Almonds (50 grams)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">50 grams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Havan Samagri</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1 packet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White sesame seeds</td> <td style="text-align: right;">50 grams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Red sandalwood</td> <td style="text-align: right;">One small piece</td> </tr> </table>	Ghee	200 grams	Almonds (50 grams)	50 grams	Havan Samagri	1 packet	White sesame seeds	50 grams	Red sandalwood	One small piece
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Almonds (50 grams)	50 grams										
Havan Samagri	1 packet										
White sesame seeds	50 grams										
Red sandalwood	One small piece										

Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix almonds, <i>havan samagri</i> and white sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>
Libations (Tarpana)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' (Skt: तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' (Skt: मार्जयामि, <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.

Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add 'marjyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow – step 16 is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)	
<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री अश्वपूर्वा रथमध्यां इति श्रीसूक्त तृतीय मन्त्रस्य श्री चिक्लीत कर्दम ऋषि, महालक्ष्मी देवता, पद्मावती शक्ति, श्री बीज, मातंगी महाविद्या, क्रो उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ तृतीय मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī aśvapūrvāṃ rathamadyāṃ iti śrīsūkta tṛtīya mantrasya śrī ciklīta kardama ṛṣi, mahālakṣmī devatā, padmāvati śakti, śrīm bīja, mātāṅgī mahāvidyā, kroṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha tṛtīya maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)*

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right- hand your...
श्री चिकलीत कर्दम ऋषयै नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī ciklīta kardama ṛṣayai namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
महालक्ष्मी देवतायै नमः दद्वादशारे हृदि ।	mahālakṣmī devatāyai namaḥ dadvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
पद्मावती शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	padmāvati śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
श्री बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	śrīṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
मातंगी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कण्ठे ।	mātangī mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṇṭhe ।	Throat
रजोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajoguṇāya namaḥ amtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
स्वः ज्ञानेन्द्रियाय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	svaḥ jñāneindrīyāya namaḥ jñānei ndriye ।	Ears
वाक् कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	vāk karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
मध्यम स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	madhyama svarāya namaḥ kaṇṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
आकाश तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	ākāśa tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
शांति कलायै नमः करतले ।	śānti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left hand
क्रौं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	kroṃ utkilaṇāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
योनि मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	yoni mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table; I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ अश्वपूर्वा अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ aśvapūrvāṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
रथमध्यं तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	rathamadyāṃ tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
हस्तिनादप्रबोधिनीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	hastinādaprabodhinīm madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
श्रियं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	śriyaṃ anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
देविमुपह्वये नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	devimupahvaye netratrayāya vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
श्रीर्मा देवि जुषताम् करतलकरपृष्ठ फट् ।	śrīrmā devi juṣatām karatalakarapṛṣṭha phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ अश्वपूर्वा हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ aśvapūrvāṃ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
ॐ रथमध्यां शिरसे स्वाहा ।	oṃ rathamadyāṃ śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
हस्तिनादप्रबोधिनीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	hastinādaprabodhinīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
श्रियं कवचाय हुं ।	śriyaṃ kavacāya huṃ	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
देविमुपह्वये नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	devimupahvaye netratrayāya vauṣaṭ	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
श्रीर्मा देविजूषताम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	śrīrmā devijūṣatām astrāya phaṭ	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 4

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagari)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
कांसोस्मितां हिरण्यप्राकारामार्द्रां ज्वलन्तीं तृप्तां
तर्पयन्तीम् ।
पद्मे स्थितां पद्मवर्णां तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
om śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ ।
kāṃsositāṃ hiraṇyaprākārāmārdrāṃ jvalantīm
tṛptām tarpayantīm ।
padme sthitām padmavarṇāṃ tāmihopahvaye
śriyam ॥
namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om ।
om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
om ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

Make fire offerings 108 times.

Ingredients for fire-offerings	Ghee	200 grams
	Lotus seeds (<i>kamal gatta</i>)	100 count
	<i>Havan samagri</i>	1 packet
	Black sesame seeds	50 grams
	White sandalwood	One small piece
	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> .	
Instructions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix lotus seeds, <i>havan samagri</i> and black sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the firepit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>	
<i>Libations (Tarpana)</i>		
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.	
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.	
Count	Do libations 11 times.	

Coronation (*Marjana or Abhishekam*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ (Skt: मार्जयामि , <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Viniyoga*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री कांसोस्मिता इति श्रीसूक्त चतुर्थ मंत्रस्य श्री कर्दम चिक्लीत ऋषि, भगवती सर्व काम प्रदायै देवी, हां बीज, चूडामणि शक्ति, महा शक्त्यै महाविद्या, हां बीज, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ चतुर्थ मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	oṃ asya śrī kāṃsosmitā iti śrīsūkta caturtha maṃtrasya śrī kardama ciklīta ṛṣi, bhagavatī sarva kāma pradāyai devī, hrāṃ bīja, cūḍāmaṇi śakti, mahā śaktyai mahāvidyā, hrāṃ bīja, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha caturtha maṃtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
श्री कर्दम चिक्लीत ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī kardama ciklīta ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
भगवती सर्वकामप्रदायै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	bhagavatī sarvakāmapradāyai devyai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
चूडामणि शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	cūḍāmaṇi śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
हां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	hrām bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
महाशक्त्यै महाविद्यायै नमः अंतरारे कंठे ।	mahāśaktayai mahāvidyāyai namaḥ aṃtarāre kaṃṭhe ।	Throat
सत्वगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	satvaguṇāya namaḥ aṃtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
नासिका ज्ञानेन्द्रियाय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	nāsikā jñāneindrāyāya namaḥ jñāneindrāye ।	Nose
कर कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	kara karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
मध्यम स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	madhyama svarāya namaḥ kaṃṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
भू तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhū tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
प्रवृत्तिं कलायै नमः करतले ।	pravṛttiṃ kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
श्रीं ह्रीं उत्कीलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	śrīṃ hrīṃ utkīlanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
मोहिनी मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	mohinī mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (*Kara Nyasa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ कांसोस्मितां अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ kāṃsosmitāṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
हिरण्यप्राकारामार्द्रा तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	hiranyaprākārāmārdrām tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
ज्वलन्ती तृप्तां मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	jvalantī trptām madhyamābhyām vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
तर्पयन्तीम् अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	tarpayantīm anāmikābhyām hum ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
पद्मे स्थितां पद्मवर्णां कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	padme sthitām padmavarṇām kaniṣṭhikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	tāmihopahvaye śriyam karatalakarapṛṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ कांसोस्मितां हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ kāṃsosmitāṃ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
हिरण्यप्राकारामार्द्रां शिरसे स्वाहा ।	hiraṇyaprākārā- mārdrāṃ śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
ज्वलन्ती तृप्तां शिखायै वषट् ।	jvalantī tṛptāṃ śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
तर्पयन्तीम् कवचाय हुं ।	tarpayantīm kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
पद्मे स्थितां पद्मवर्णां नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	padme sthitāṃ padmavarṇāṃ netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	tāmihopahvaye śriyam astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 5

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagri)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
चन्द्रां प्रभासां यशसा ज्वलन्तीं श्रियं लोके
देवजुष्टामुदाराम् ।
तां पद्मिनीमीं शरणमहं प्रपद्ये'लक्ष्मीर्मे नश्यतां त्वां
वृणे ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm
om śrīm hrīm śrīm namaḥ ।
candrām prabhāsām yaśasā jvalantīm śriyaṃ
loke devajuṣṭāmudārām ।
tām padmīnīmīṃ śaraṇamaham
prapadye'lakṣmīrme naśyatām tvām vṛṇe ॥
namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om ।
om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm om ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

Make fire offerings 108 times.

Ingredients for fire-
offerings

Ghee	200 grams
Grated dry coconut	100 grams

	<i>Havan samagri</i>	1 packet
	White sesame seeds	50 grams
	Red sandalwood	One small piece
Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i>. Mix grated dry coconut, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds.</p> <p>Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.</p> <p>After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee and offer it in the fire pit.</p> <p>Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>.</p> <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>	
<i>Libations (Tarpana)</i>		
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.	
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.	
Count	Do libations 11 times.	

<i>Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)</i>	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add 'marjyami' (Skt: मार्जयामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add 'marjyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table, *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री चन्द्रां प्रभासां यशसा इति श्रीसूक्तपंचम मंत्रस्यश्री असित ऋषि, विष्णु देवता, वं बीज, माया शक्ति, कुमारी महाविद्या, ब्लौं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ पंचम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	oṃ asya śrī candrāṃ prabhāsāṃ yaśasā iti śrīsūktapaṅcama maṅtrasyaśrī asita ṛṣi, viṣṇu devatā, vaṃ bīja, māyā śakti, kumārī mahāvidyā, blaṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhartha paṅcama maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

***Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi Nyasa*)**

<i>Sanskrit</i> (Devanagari)	<i>Sanskrit</i> (IAST)	<i>Touch with your</i> <i>right-hand your...</i>
श्री असित ऋषये नमः सहस्रत्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī asita ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री विष्णु देवताय नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī viṣṇu devatāya namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
माया शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	māyā śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
वं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	vaṃ bijāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
कुमारी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	kumārī mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajoguṇāya namaḥ aṁtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
श्रोत्र ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	śrotra jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Ears
वाक् कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	vāk karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
सौम्य स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	saumya svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
आकाश तत्त्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	ākāśa tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
विघा कलायै नमः करतले ।	vighā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left hand
ब्लौं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	blauṃ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
द्राविणी मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	drāviṇī mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ चन्द्रां प्रभासां अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ candrāṃ prabhāsāṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
यशसा ज्वलन्तीं तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	yaśasā jvalantīṃ tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
श्रियं लोके मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	śriyaṃ loke madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
देवी जुष्टामुदाराम् अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	devī juṣṭāmudārām anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
तां पद्मनेमिं शरणम् प्रपददे कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	tāṃ padmanemiṃ śaraṇam prapadde kaniṣṭhikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
अलक्ष्मीर्मे नश्यतां त्वां वृणे करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	alakṣmīrme naśyatāṃ tvāṃ vṛṇe karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ चन्द्रां प्रभासां हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ candrāṃ prabhāsāṃ hṛdayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right- hand.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
यशसा ज्वलन्तीं शिरसे स्वाहा ।	yaśasā jvalantīṃ śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
श्रियं लोके शिखायै वषट् ।	śriyaṃ loke śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
देवी जुष्टामुदाराम् कवचाय हुं ।	devī juṣṭāmudārām kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
तां पद्मनेमिं शरणम् प्रपदद्दे नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	tāṃ padmanemiṃ śaraṇam prapadde netratrayāya vaṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
अलक्ष्मीर्मे नश्यतां त्वां वृणे अस्त्राय फट् ।	alakṣmīrme naśyatāṃ tvāṃ vṛṇe astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 6

<i>Chanting (Japa)</i>							
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagari)	<p>ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । आदित्यवर्णं तपसो'धिजातो वनस्पतिस्तव वृक्षो'थ बिल्वः । तस्य फलानि तपसानुदन्तु मायान्तरायाश्च बाह्या अलक्ष्मीः ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥</p>						
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	<p>oṃ āṃ hrīm̐ śrīm̐ klīm̐ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm̐ oṃ śrīm̐ hrīm̐ śrīm̐ namaḥ । ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto vanaspatistava vṛkṣo'tha bilvaḥ । tasya phalāni tapasānudantu māyāntarāyāśca bāhyā alakṣmīḥ ॥ namo śrīm̐ hrīm̐ śrīm̐ oṃ । oṃ āṃ hrīm̐ śrīm̐ klīm̐ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm̐ oṃ ॥</p>						
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.						
<i>Fire offerings (Yajna)</i>							
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, oṃ svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.						
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.						
Ingredients for fire-offerings	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Ghee</td> <td>200 grams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Raisins</td> <td>50 grams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Almonds</td> <td>50 grams</td> </tr> </table>	Ghee	200 grams	Raisins	50 grams	Almonds	50 grams
Ghee	200 grams						
Raisins	50 grams						
Almonds	50 grams						

	<i>Havan samagri</i>	1 packet
	Black sesame seeds	50 grams
	White sandalwood	One small piece
	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> .	
Instructions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix raisins, almonds, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>	
<i>Libations (Tarpana)</i>		
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.	
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.	
Count	Do libations 11 times.	

Coronation (<i>Marjana</i> or <i>Abhishekam</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ (Skt: मारज्यामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Viniyoga*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री आदित्यवर्णे तपसो'धिजातो इति श्री सूक्त षष्ठ मन्त्रस्य ब्रह्माऋषि, सूर्यो देवता, ॐ बीज, तेजसः शक्ति, मातंगी महाविद्या, ह्रीं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ षष्ठ मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto iti śrī sūkta ṣaṣṭha mantrasya brahmārṣi, sūryo devata, om bīja, tejasah śakti, mātamṅī mahāvidyā, hrīṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṅyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha ṣaṣṭha maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi Nyasa*)

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right- hand your...
ॐ ब्रह्मा ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	om brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सूर्योदेवताय नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sūryodevatāya namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
आं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	āṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
तेजसः शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	tejasaḥ śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
मातंगी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	mātangī mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
तमोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	tamoguṇāya namaḥ aṁtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
चक्षु जानेन्द्रिय नमः जानेन्द्रिये ।	cakṣu jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindrāye ।	Ears

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
कर कर्मन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मन्द्रिये ।	kara karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
मृदुस्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	mṛḍusvarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
खंस्तत्त्वायै नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	khaṁstatvāyai namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
शांतिकलायै नमः करतले ।	śāntikalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
हीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	hrīṁ utkilaṇāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
सम्पुट मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	sampuṭa mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (*Kara Nyasa*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ आदित्यवर्णे तपसोधिजातो अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
वनस्पतिस्तव वृक्षोथ तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	vanaspatistava vṛkṣoṭha tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
बिल्व तस्य फलानि मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	bilva tasya phalāni madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
तपसा नुदन्तु अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	tapasā nudantu anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
मायान्तरायाश्च कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	māyāntarāyāśca kaniṣṭhikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
बाह्यलक्ष्मी करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	bāhrālakṣmī karatalakara- prṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ आदित्यवर्णे तपसो'धिजातो हृदयाय नमः ।	om ādityavarṇe tapaso'dhijāto hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
वन्स्पतिस्तव वृक्षोथ शिरसे स्वाहा ।	vanaspatistava vṛkṣoṭha śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
बिल्व तस्य फलानि शिखायै वषट् ।	bilva tasya phalāni śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with your right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
तपसा नुदन्तु कवचाय हुं ।	tapasā nudantu kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
मायान्तरायाश्च नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	māyāntarāyāśca netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
बाह्वालक्ष्मी अस्त्राय फट् ।	bāhrālakṣmī astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 7

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagari)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
उपैतु मां देवसखः कीर्तिश्च मणिना सह ।
प्रादुर्भूतोऽस्मि राष्ट्रेऽस्मिन् कीर्तिमृद्धिं ददातु मे ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
om śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ ।
upaitu māṃ devasakhaḥ kīrtiśca maṇinā saha ।
prādurbhūto'smi rāṣṭre'smin kīrtimṛddhiṃ
dadātu me ॥
namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om ।
om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
om ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

Make fire-offerings 108 times.

Ingredients for
fire-offerings

Ghee	200 grams
White rice	50 grams
White sesame	50 grams
Havan samagri	1 packet
White sesame seeds	50 grams
Red sandalwood	One small piece

Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix rice, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>
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Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' (तर्पयामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.

Coronation (*Marjana or Abhishekam*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' (Skt: मारजयामि, <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*vinīyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *vinīyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Vinīyoga*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री उपैतु मां देवसखः इति श्री सूक्त सप्तम मन्त्रस्य मृकण्ड ऋषि, सर्व संपति पूरिण्यै देवता, सौं बीज, शिवा शक्ति, मातंगी महाविद्या, ऐं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ सप्तम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om̐ asya śrī upaitu māṃ devasakhaḥ iti śrī sūkta saptama mantrasya mṛkaṇḍa ṛṣi, sarva saṃpati pūriṇyai devatā, sauṃ bīja, śivā śakti, mātamgī mahāvidyā, aiṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha saptama maṃtra jape vinīyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>vinīyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)*.

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
मृकण्ड ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	mṛkaṇḍa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
सर्व संपति पूरिण्यै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	sarva saṃpati pūriṇyai' devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagiri)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
सौं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	saum̐ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
शिवा शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	śivā śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
मातंगी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	mātaṅgī mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
तमोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	tamoguṇāya namaḥ aṁtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
रसना ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	rasanā jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Mouth (keep your mouth just a bit open when you touch)
कर कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	kara karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lips
मध्यम स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	madhyama svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
जल तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	jala tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
प्रतिष्ठा कलायै नमः करतले ।	pratiṣṭhā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
ऐं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	aiṃ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
मत्स्य मुद्रायै नमः सर्वंगे ।	matsya mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ उपैतु मां देवसखः अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ upaitu māṃ devasakhaḥ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
कीर्तिश्च तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	kīrtiśca tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
मणिना सह मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	maṇinā saha madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
प्रादुर्भूतोऽस्मि अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	prādurbhūto'smi anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
राष्ट्रेऽस्मिन् कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	rāṣṭre'smin kaniṣṭhikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
कीर्तिमृद्धिं ददातु मे करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	kīrtimṛddhiṃ dadātu me karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ उपैतु मां देवसखः हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ upaitu māṃ devasakhaḥ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
कीर्तिश्च शिरसे स्वाहा ।	kīrtiśca śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
मणिना सह शिखायै वषट् ।	maṇinā saha śikhāyāi vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
प्रादुर्भूतोऽस्मि कवचाय हुं ।	prādurbhūto'smi kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
राष्ट्रेऽस्मिन् नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	rāṣṭre'smin netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
कीर्तिमृद्धिं ददातु मे अस्त्राय फट् ।	kīrtimṛddhiṃ dadātu me astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 8

Chanting (Japa)	
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagari)	<p>ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । क्षुत्पिपासामलां ज्येष्ठामलक्ष्मीं नाशयाम्यहम् । अभूतिमसमृद्धिं च सर्वां निर्णुद मे गृहात् ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥</p>
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	<p>om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ । kṣutpipāsāmalāṃ jyeṣṭhāmalakṣmīṃ nāśayāmyaham । abhūtimasamṛddhiṃ ca sarvāṃ nirṇuda me gṛhāt ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om । om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om ॥</p>
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (*Yajna*)

Mantra	Same as above. Just add ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ and then make an offering in the fire pit.
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.
Ingredients for fire- offerings	Ghee 200 grams
	Whole cashews 50 grams
	Lotus seeds 100 count
	<i>Havan samagri</i> 1 packet
	Black sesame seeds 50 grams
	White sandalwood One small piece
	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> .
Instructions	1. Mix cashews, lotus seeds, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds.
	2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.
	3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit.
	4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i> .
	If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i> , feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.

Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्प्यामि, tarpyāmi) at the end of your mantra.
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Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (<i>Marjana</i> or <i>Abhishekam</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ (Skt: मारज्यामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The *mantra* has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Viniyoga*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री क्षुत्पिपासामलां इति श्रीसूक्त अष्टम मंत्रस्य नारदो ऋषि, सर्व सौभाग्यदायिन देवी, सां बीज, ऐश्वर्यै शक्ति, लक्ष्मी महाविद्या, ह्रीं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्ध्यर्थ अष्टम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī kṣutpipāsāmalāṃ iti śrīsūkta aṣṭama maṅtrasya nārado ṛṣi, sarva saubhāgyadāyina devī, sāṃ bīja, aiśvaryaī śakti, lakṣmī mahāvidyā, hrīṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyaī bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha aṣṭama maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।

Follow the standard procedure of *viniyoga* by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation*).

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)*.

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
नारद ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	nārada ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
सर्वसौभाग्यदायिन्यै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	sarvasaubhāgyadāyinyai devyai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
सां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	sām bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
ऐश्वर्यै शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	aiśvaryaī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
लक्ष्मी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	lakṣmī mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजोगुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajoguṇāya namaḥ aṁtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
चक्षु ज्ञानेन्द्रियाय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	caḥṣu jñāneindrayāya namaḥ jñāneindrīye ।	Mouth (keep your mouth just a bit open when you touch)
भग कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	bhaga karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Groin (again)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
सौम्य स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	saumya svarāya namaḥ kaṅṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
भू तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhū tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
प्रवृत्ति कलायै नमः करतले ।	pravṛṭti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
ह्रीं उत्कीलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	hrīṃ utkīlanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
सम्पुट मुद्रायै नमः सर्वाम्गे ।	sampuṭa mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara- Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagiri)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ क्षुत्पिपासामलां अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om kṣutpipāsāmalām aṅguṣṭhābhyām namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
ॐ ज्येष्ठामलक्ष्मीं तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	om jyeṣṭhāmalakṣmīm tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
नाशयाम्यहम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	nāśayāmyaham madhyamābhyām vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
अभूतिमसमृद्धिं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	abhūtimasamṛddhiṃ anāmikābhyām huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
च सर्वा निर्णुद कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	ca sarvām nirṇuda kaniṣṭhikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
मे गृहात् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	me grhāt karatalakara- prṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ क्षुत्पिपासामलां हृदयाय नमः ।	om kṣutpipāsāmalāṃ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
ज्येष्ठामलक्ष्मीं शिरसे स्वाहा ।	jyeṣṭhāmalakṣmīm śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
नाशयाम्यहम् शिखायै वषट् ।	nāśayāmyaham śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
अभूतिमसमृद्धिं कवचाय हुं ।	abhūtimasamṛddhiṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
च सर्वा निर्णुद नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	ca sarvāṃ nirṇuda netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
मे गृहात् अस्त्राय फट् ।	me grhāt astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 9

Chanting (Japa)	
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagri)	ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । गन्धद्वारां दुराधर्षा नित्यपुष्टां करीषिणीम् । ईश्वरीं सर्वभूतानां तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ । gandhadvārāṃ durādharṣāṃ nityapuṣṭāṃ karīṣiṇīm । Īśvarīm sarvabhūtānāṃ tāmihopahvaye śriyam ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om । om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om ॥
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.
Fire offerings (Yajna)	
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.
Ingredients for fire- offerings	Ghee 600 grams Red sandalwood One small piece
Instructions	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings</i> (Yajna).

1. Tonight's fire offerings are done only with ghee.
2. After you have made 108 offerings (*ahuti*) with ghee, offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit.
3. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 600 grams you set aside for this *yajna*.

If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do *yajna*, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.

Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra

Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add '*tarpyami*' (तर्पयामि, *tarpyāmi*) at the end of your mantra.

Instructions

Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*, and add '*tarpyami*' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.

Count

Do libations 11 times.

Coronation (*Marjana* or *Abhishekam*)

Mantra

Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add '*marjyami*' (Skt: मर्जयामि, *mārjayāmi*) at the end of your mantra.

Instructions

Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*, and add '*marjyami*' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.

Count

Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री गन्धद्वारां दुराधर्षा इति श्रीसूक्त नवम मंत्रस्य मेधस ऋषि, श्री सर्वसिद्धि प्रदायै देवी ब्रीं बीज, भ्रामरी शक्ति, कमला महाविद्या, क्लीं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ नवम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī gandhadvārām durādharṣām iti śrīsūkta navama maṁtrasya medhasa ṛṣi, śrī sarvasiddhi pradāyai devī brīm bīja, bhrāmarī śakti, kamalā mahāvidyā, klīm utkīlana, sarva maṁgala kāriṇyāi bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha navama maṁtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
मेधस ऋषये नमः सहस्रत्रारे शिरसि ।	medhasa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्वसिद्धि प्रदायै देवयै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarvasiddhi pradāyai devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
‘ब्रीं’ बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	‘brīm’ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
भ्रामरी शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	bhrāmārī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
कमला महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	kamalā mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajo guṇāya namaḥ amtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
नासिका ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	nāsikā jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Nose
पाणि कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	pāṇi karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Hands (bring your both hands together)
मृदु स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	mṛdu svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam’s apple)
भू तत्त्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhū tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
मोहिनी कलायै नमः करतले ।	mohinī kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
‘क्लीं’ उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	‘klīm’ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
सम्पुट मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	sampuṭa mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ गन्धद्वारां अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ gandhadvārāṃ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
दुराधर्षा तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	durādharṣāṃ tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
नित्यपुष्टां करीषिणीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	nityapuṣṭāṃ karīṣiṇīm madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
ईश्वरीं अनामिकाभ्यां हूं ।	īśvarīm anāmikābhyāṃ hūṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
सर्वभूतानां कनिष्ठिकाभ्यां वौषट् ।	sarvabhūtānām kaniṣṭhikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	tāmihopahvaye śriyam karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Description</i>
ॐ गन्धद्वारां हृदयाय नमः ।	om gandhadvārām hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
दुराधर्षा शिरसे स्वाहा ।	durādharṣām śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
नित्यपुष्टां करीषिणीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	nityapuṣṭām karīṣiṇīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
ईश्वरीं कवचाय हुं ।	īśvarīm kavacāya hum ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.

Sanskrit (Devanagri)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
सर्वभूतानां नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	sarvabhūtānām netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
तामिहोपह्वये श्रियम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	tāmihopahvaye śriyam astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 10

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagri)	ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । मनसः काममाकृतिं वाचः सत्यमशीमहि । पशूनां रूपमन्नस्य मयि श्रीः श्रयतां यशः ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ oṃ śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ । manasaḥ kāmamākūtiṃ vācaḥ satyamaśīmahi । paśūnām rūpamannasya mayi śrīḥ śrayatām yaśaḥ ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ oṃ । oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ oṃ ॥
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (<i>Yajna</i>)															
Mantra	Same as above. Just add ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ and then make an offering in the fire pit.														
Count	Make fire-offerings 108 times.														
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Libations (<i>Tarpana</i>)															
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्प्यामि, tarpyāmi) at the end of your mantra.														
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in</i>														

	<i>the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana), and add 'tarpyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.</i>
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' (Skt: मारजयामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री मनसः काममाकृतिं इति श्रीसूक्त दशम मंत्रस्य श्री वेद व्यास ऋषि, श्री सर्व प्रियंकर्ये देवी, क्रों बीजं, शताक्षी शक्ति, श्री सुन्दरी महाविद्या, श्री उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ दशम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī manasaḥ kāmamākūtiṃ iti śrīsūkta daśama maṅtrasya śrī veda vyāsa ṛṣi, śrī sarva priyaṅkaryai devī, krom bījaṃ, śataākṣī śakti, śrī sundarī mahāvidyā, śrīṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṅyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha daśama maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

***Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi Nyasa*)**

<i>Sanskrit</i> (<i>Devanagari</i>)	<i>Sanskrit</i> (IAST)	<i>Touch with your right-hand your</i>
श्री वेद व्यास ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī veda vyāsa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्व प्रियं कर्यै देवयै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarva priyaṃ karyai devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
क्रौं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	kroṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
शताक्षी शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	śatākṣī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
श्री सुन्दरी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	śrī sundarī mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṃṭhe ।	Throat
रजो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajo guṇāya namaḥ aṃtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
श्रोत्र ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	śrotra jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Ears
मन कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	mana karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Hands (bring your both hands together)
सौम्य स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	saumya svarāya namaḥ kaṃṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
जल तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	jala tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your
अविद्या कलायै नमः करतले ।	avidyā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
श्रीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	śrīṃ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
योनि मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	yoni mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ मनसः अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	oṃ manasaḥ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
काममाकूतिं तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	kāmamākūtiṃ tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
वाचः सत्यमशीमहि मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	vācaḥ satyamaśīmahi madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
पशूनां रूपमन्नस्य अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	pāśūnāṃ rūpamannasya anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
मयि श्रीः कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	mayi śrīḥ kaniṣikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
श्रयतां यशः करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	śrayatāṃ yaśaḥ karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ मनसः हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ manasaḥ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
काममाकृतिं शिरसे स्वाहा ।	kāmamākṛtiṃ śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
वाचः सत्यमशीमहि शिखायै वषट् ।	vācaḥ satyamaśīmahi śikhāyai vaṣaṭṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
पशूनां रूपमन्नस्य कवचाय हुं ।	paśūnāṃ rūpamannasya kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
मयि श्रीः नेत्र त्रयाय वौषट् ।	mayi śrīḥ netra trayāya vauṣaṭṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
श्रयतां यशः अस्त्राय फट् ।	śrayatām yaśaḥ astrāya phaṭṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 11

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagari)	<p>ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । मनसः काममाकूतिं वाचः सत्यमशीमहि । पशूनां रूपमन्नस्य मयि श्रीः श्रयतां यशः ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥</p>
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	<p>oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ oṃ śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ । manasaḥ kāmamākūtiṃ vācaḥ satyamaśīmahi । paśūnāṃ rūpamannasya mayi śrīḥ śrayatām yaśaḥ ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ oṃ । oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ oṃ ॥</p>
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (*Yajna*)

Mantra	Same as above. Just add ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say ‘ <i>Om Svaha</i> ’ and then make an offering in the fire pit.														
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.														
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Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix grated dry coconut, cardamoms, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>														

Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्पयामि, tarpyāmi) at the end of your mantra.
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Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘tarpyami’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (Marjana or Abhishekam)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘marjyami’ (Skt: मर्जयामि, mārjayāmi) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘marjyami’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

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Application (Viniyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री कर्दमेन प्रजाभूता इति श्रीसूक्त एकादश मंत्रस्य श्री विष्णु ऋषि, श्री सर्व व्याधि विनाशिन्यै देवी, ह्रां बीजं, श्री महा सरस्वती देवता, रूं बीजं, इन्द्राणी शक्ति, भुवनेश्वरी महाविद्या, ऐं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ दशम मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	oṃ asya śrī kardamena prajābhūtā iti śrīsūkta ekādaśa maṅtrasya śrī viṣṇu ṛṣi, śrī sarva vyādhi vināśinyai devī, hrām bījaṃ, śrī mahā sarasvatī devatā, rūṃ bījaṃ, indrāṇī śakti, bhuvaneśvarī mahāvidyā, aiṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha daśama maṅtra jape viniyogaḥ ।

Follow the standard procedure of *vinīyoga* by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation*).

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your</i>
श्री विष्णु ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī viṣṇu ṛṣaye namaḥ sahasrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्व व्याधि विनाशिन्यै देवयै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarva vyādhi vināśinyai devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
ह्रां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	hrāṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
इन्द्राणी शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	indrāṇī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
श्री भुवनेश्वरी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	śrī bhuvaneśvarī mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṃṭhe ।	Throat
सतो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	sato guṇāya namaḥ aṃtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
त्वक् ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	tvak jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Ears

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your
कर कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	kara karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Hands (bring your both hands together)
मृदु स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	mṛdu svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
वायु स्तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	vāyu statvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
शांति कलायै नमः करतले ।	śānti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
'ऐं' उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	aiṁ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
सम्पुट मुद्रायै नमः सर्वाम्गे ।	samputa mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṁge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently).

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ कर्दमेन प्रजाभूता अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om kardamena prajābhūtā amguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
मयि सम्भव तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	mayi sambhava tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
कर्दम मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	kardama madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
श्रियं वासय अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	śriyaṃ vāsaya anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
मे कुले मातरं कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	me kule mātaraṃ kaṇiṣikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
पद्ममालिनीम् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	padmamālinīm karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ कर्दमेन प्रजाभूता हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ kardamena prajābhūtā hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
मयि सम्भव शिरसे स्वाहा ।	mayi sambhava śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
कर्दम शिखायै वषट् ।	kardama śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right- hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
श्रियं वासय कवचाय हुं ।	śriyaṃ vāsaya kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
मे कुले मातरं नेत्र त्रयाय वौषट् ।	me kule mātaraṃ netra trayāya vaṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
पद्ममालिनीम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	padmamālinīm astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 12

Chanting (Japa)															
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagari)	<p>ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । आपः सृजन्तु स्निग्धानि चिक्लीत वस मे गृहे । नि च देवीं मातरं श्रियं वासय मे कुले ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥</p> <p>om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ । āpaḥ sṛjantu snigdḥāni ciklīta vasa me gṛhe । ni ca devīm mātaraṃ śriyaṃ vāsaya me kule ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om । om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om ॥</p>														
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	<p>ni ca devīm mātaraṃ śriyaṃ vāsaya me kule ॥ namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ om । om āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ klīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ om ॥</p>														
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.														
Fire offerings (Yajna)															
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.														
Count	Make fire offerings 108 times.														
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Instructions	<p>Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mix grated dry coconut, raisins, almonds, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds. 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. <p>If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.</p>
Libations (<i>Tarpana</i>)	
Mantra	<p>Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘<i>tarpyami</i>’ (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.</p>
Instructions	<p>Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i>, and add ‘<i>tarpyami</i>’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.</p>
Count	<p>Do libations 11 times.</p>
Coronation (<i>Marjana</i> or <i>Abhishekam</i>)	
Mantra	<p>Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘<i>marjyami</i>’ (Skt: मारज्यामि, <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.</p>

Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add 'marjyami' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री आपः सृजन्तु स्निग्धानि इति श्रीसूक्त द्वादशय मंत्रस्य श्री अजस ऋषि, श्री महा लक्ष्मी देवता, ह्रां बीज, शूलधारिणी शक्ति, पीताम्बरा महाविद्या, ल्हीं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ द्वादश मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī āpaḥ sṛjantu snigdhāni iti śrīsūkta dvādaśya maṁtrasya śrī ajasa ṛṣi, śrī mahā lakṣmī devatā, hrām bīja, śūladhāriṇī śakti, pītāambarā mahāvidyā, lhīm utkilana, sarva maṁgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha dvādaśa maṁtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi nyasa)*.

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right hand your
श्री अजस ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī ajasa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री महालक्ष्मी देवयै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī mahālakṣmī devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
हां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	hrām̐ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
शूलधारिणी शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	śūladhāriṇī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
पीताम्बर महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	pītāmbara mahāvidyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajo guṇāya namaḥ am̐tarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
त्वक् ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	tvak̐ jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Neck (tvak is skin. You can touch anywhere on your body where there's bare skin)
गुदा कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	gudā karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
गंभीर स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	gaṁbhīra svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right hand your
भू तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	bhū tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
प्रवृत्तिं कलायै नमः करतले ।	pravṛtiṃ kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
लहीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	lhīṃ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
मत्स्य मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	matsya mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform nyasa of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (*Kara Nyasa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ आपः सृजन्तु अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om āpaḥ sṛjantu aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
स्निग्धानि चिक्लीत तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	snigdhanī ciklīta tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
वस मे गृहे मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	vasa me gṛhe madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
नि च देवीं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	ni ca devīṃ anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
मातरं श्रियं कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	mātaraṃ śriyaṃ kaniṣikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
वासय मे कुले करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	vāsaya me kule karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ आपः सृजन्तु हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ āpaḥ sṛjantu hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
स्निग्धानि चिक्लीत शिरसे स्वाहा ।	snigdhāni ciklīta śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
वस मे गृहे शिखायै वषट् ।	vasa me gṛhe śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
नि च देवीं कवचाय हुं ।	ni ca devīm kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
मातरं श्रियं नेत्र त्रयाय वौषट् ।	mātaraṃ śriyaṃ netra trayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simultaneously.
वासय मे कुले अस्त्राय फट् ।	vāsaya me kule astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 13

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagari)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्रह्मं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
आर्द्रां पुष्करिणीं पुष्टिं पिङ्गलां पद्ममालिनीम् ।
चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्रह्मं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

oṃ āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm
oṃ śrīm hrīm śrīm namaḥ ।
ārdraṃ puṣkariṇīm puṣṭim piṅgalām
padmamālīnīm ।

	<p>candrām hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma āvaha namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om om ām hrīm śrīm klīm blūm sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm om </p>
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.
Fire offerings (Yajna)	
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.
Count	Make fire-offerings 108 times.
Ingredients for fire offerings	Ghee 200 grams
	Jaggery 50 grams
	Honey 50 grams
	White rice 50 grams
	<i>Havan samagri</i> 1 packet
	White sesame seeds 50 grams
Instructions	Red sandalwood One small piece
	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> .
	1. Mix jaggery, honey, rice, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds.
	2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.
	3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit.
	4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i> .

	If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i> , feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.
Libations (<i>Tarpana</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (<i>Marjana or Abhishekam</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ (Skt: मर्जयामि, <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*vinīyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *vinīyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Viniyoga*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>
ॐ अस्य श्री आर्द्रा पुष्करिणीं पुष्टिं इति श्रीसूक्त त्रयोदश मंत्रस्य मेधस ऋषि, श्री सर्वसौभाग्यदायिन्यै देवी द्वां बीजा, भीमा शक्ति, ज्येष्ठा महाविद्या, ऐं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ त्रयोदश मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	oṃ asya śrī ārdrāṃ puṣkariṇīṃ puṣṭiṃ iti śrīsūkta trayodaśa maṃtrasya medhasa ṛṣi, śrī sarvasaubhāgyadāyinyai devī drāṃ bīja, bhīmā śakti, jyeṣṭhā mahāvidyā, aiṃ utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayaṛtha trayodaśa maṃtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (*Rishyadi Nyasa*)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
श्री मेधस ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī medhasa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्वसौभाग्यदायिन्यै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarvasaubhāgya- dāyinyai devyai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
द्वां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	drāṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
भीमा शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	bhīmā śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right-hand your...</i>
ज्येष्ठा महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	jyeṣṭhā mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajo guṇāya namaḥ am̐tarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
घ्राणं ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	ghrāṇaṁ jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindriye ।	Nose
पाणिकर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	pāṇikarmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Touch your left-hand with your right
दीन स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	dīna svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
वायुस्तत्त्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	vāyustatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
पराशांति कलायै नमः करतले ।	parāśāṁti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left hand
ऐं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	aiṁ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
धेनु मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	dhenu mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter.

You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Gesture with both hands</i>
ॐ आर्द्रा पुष्करिणीं अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om ārdrām puṣkariṇīm aṅguṣṭhābhyām namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
पुष्टिं पिङ्गलां तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	puṣṭim piṅgalām tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
पद्ममालिनीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	padmamālinīm madhyamābhyām vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	candrām hiraṇmayīm anāmikābhyām huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	lakṣmīm jātavedo kaniṣikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
म आवह करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	ma āvaha karatalakara- prṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ आर्द्रा पुष्करिणीं हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ ārdrāṃ puṣkariṇīṃ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
पुष्टिं पिङ्गलां शिरसे स्वाहा ।	puṣṭiṃ piṅgalāṃ śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
पद्ममालिनीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	padmamālinīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right- hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
चन्द्रां हिरण्मयीं कवचाय हुं ।	candrāṃ hiraṇmayīṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	lakṣmīṃ jātavedo netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
म आवह अस्त्राय फट् ।	ma āvaha astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 14

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagari)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
आर्द्रा यः करिणीं यष्टिं सुवर्णां हेममालिनीम् ।
सूर्या हिरण्मयीं लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो म आवह ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm
om śrīm hrīm śrīm namaḥ ।
ārdrāṃ yaḥ kariṇīm yaṣṭim suvarṇāṃ
hemamālinīm ।

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

sūryāṃ hiraṇmayīm lakṣmīm jātavedo ma
āvaha ॥

namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om ।
om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ
śrīm om ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ
स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra.
Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and
then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

Make fire-offerings 108 times.

Ingredients for fire
offerings

Ghee	200 grams
Almonds	50 grams
Havan samagri	1 packet
Black sesame seeds	50 grams
White sandalwood	One small piece

Instructions

Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings
as stated in *How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)*.

1. Mix almonds, *havan samagri* and sesame seeds.
2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.
3. After you have made 108 offerings (*ahuti*), offer the last one with the small piece of white sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the firepit.
4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this *yajna*.

If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do *yajna*, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.

Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra

Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add '*tarpyami*' (तर्पयामि, *tarpyāmi*) at the end of your mantra.

Instructions

Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*, and add '*tarpyami*' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.

Count

Do libations 11 times.

Coronation (*Marjana* or *Abhishekam*)

Mantra

Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add '*marjyami*' (Skt: मारजयामि, *mārjayāmi*) at the end of your mantra.

Instructions

Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in *Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)*, and add '*marjyami*' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.

Count

Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (*Viniyoga*)

Sanskrit (<i>Devanagari</i>)	Sanskrit (<i>IAST</i>)
ॐ अस्य श्री आर्द्रा यः करिणीं यष्टिं इति श्रीसूक्त चतुर्दश मंत्रस्य श्री वेद व्यास ऋषि, श्री सर्वाह्लादिन्यै देवी रूं बीज, वारुणी शक्ति, श्री तारा महाविद्या, क्रीं उत्कीलन, श्री सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्धयर्थ चतुर्दश मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī ārdrāṃ yaḥ kariṇīm yaṣṭim iti śrīsūkta caturdaśa maṃtrasya śrī veda vyāsa ṛṣi, śrī sarvāhlādinyai devī rūṃ bīja, vāruṇī śakti, śrī tārā mahāvīdyā, krīm utkīlana, śrī sarva maṃgala kāriṇyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha caturdaśa maṃtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi nyasa)*.

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (<i>Devanagari</i>)	Sanskrit (<i>IAST</i>)	Touch with your right-hand your...
श्री वेद व्यास ऋषये नमः सहस्त्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī veda vyāsa ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्वाह्लादिन्यै देवयै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarvāhlādinyai devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right- hand your...</i>
रूं बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	rūṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
वारुणी शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	vāruṇī śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel
तारा महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	tārā mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṃṭhe ।	Throat
सतो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	sato guṇāya namaḥ aṃtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
श्रोत्र ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	śrotra jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Ears
पद कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	pada karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Touch your left-hand with your right
मध्यम स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	madhyama svarāya namaḥ kaṃṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple) Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
वायु स्तत्त्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	vāyu statvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	
विघा कलायै नमः करतले ।	vighā kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
क्रीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	krīṃ utkīlanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
आकर्षिणी मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	ākārṣiṇī mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ आर्द्रा यः अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om ārdrām yaḥ aṅguṣṭhābhyām namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
करिणीं यष्टिं तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	kariṇīm yaṣṭim tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
सुवर्णा हेममालिनीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	suvarṇām hemamālinīm madhyamābhyām vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
सूर्या हिरण्मयीं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	sūryām hiraṇmayīm anāmikābhyām huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	lakṣmīm jātavedo kaniṣikābhyām vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
म आवह करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	ma āvaha karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyām phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ आर्द्रा यः हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ ārdrāṃ yaḥ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
करिणीं यष्टिं शिरसे स्वाहा ।	kariṇīṃ yaṣṭim śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right hand keeping the index finger away.
सुवर्णां हेममालिनीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	suvarṇāṃ hemamālinīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
सूर्यां हिरण्मयीं कवचाय हुँ ।	sūryāṃ hiraṇmayīṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
लक्ष्मीं जातवेदो नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	lakṣmīṃ jātavedo netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
म आवह अस्त्राय फट् ।	ma āvaha astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 15

Chanting (<i>Japa</i>)	
Mantra Sanskrit (Devanagri)	ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः । तां म आवह जातवेदो लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् । यस्यां हिरण्यं प्रभूतं गावो दास्यो'श्वान् विन्देयं पूरुषानहम् ॥ नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ । ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥
Mantra Sanskrit (IAST)	om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm om śrīm hrīm śrīm namaḥ । tāṃ ma āvaha jātavedo lakṣmīmanapagāminīm । yasyāṃ hiraṇyaṃ prabhūtaṃ gāvo dāsyo'śvān vindeyaṃ pūruṣānaham ॥ namo śrīm hrīm śrīm om । om āṃ hrīm śrīm klīm blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīm om ॥
Count	Chant this mantra 1000 times.
Fire offerings (<i>Yajna</i>)	
Mantra	Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, om svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.
Count	Make fire-offerings 108 times.
Ingredients for fire offerings	Ghee 200 grams Grated dry coconut 100 grams <i>Havan samagri</i> 1 packet White sesame seeds 50 grams Red sandalwood One small piece
Instructions	Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in <i>How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)</i> . 1. Mix grated coconut, <i>havan samagri</i> and sesame seeds.

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Put five tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly. 3. After you have made 108 offerings (<i>ahuti</i>), offer the last one with the small piece of red sandalwood. Dip it in ghee or put a bit of ghee in it and offer it in the fire pit. 4. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 200 grams you set aside for this <i>yajna</i>. If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do <i>yajna</i>, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.
Libations (<i>Tarpana</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' (तर्प्यामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>tarpyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.
Coronation (<i>Marjana</i> or <i>Abhishekam</i>)	
Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' (Skt: मारज्यामि, <i>mārajyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ' <i>marjyami</i> ' in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table; *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Vinīyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagri)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री तां म आवह जातवेदो इति श्रीसूक्त पंचदश मंत्रस्य श्री ब्रह्मा ऋषि, श्री सर्व शक्त्यै देवी ज्ञां बीज, धनदा शक्ति, मातंगी महाविद्या, श्री उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्ध्यर्थ पंचदश मंत्र जपे विनियोगः ।	om asya śrī tāṃ ma āvaha jātavedo iti śrīsūkta pañcadaśa maṃtrasya śrī brahmā ṛṣi, śrī sarva śaktayai devī jṛāṃ bīja, dhanadā śakti, mātaṅgī mahāvidyā, śrīm utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṅyai bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha pañcadaśa maṃtra jape viniyogaḥ ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>vinīyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the nyasa as per the tables below, in that order, starting with Nyasa of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (*Rishyadi Nyasa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagri)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
श्री ब्रह्मा ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री सर्व शक्त्यै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī sarva śaktayai devayai namaḥ dvādaśāre hṛdi ।	Heart
ज्ञां बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	jṛāṃ bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
धनदा शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	dhanadā śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
मातंगी महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	mātaṅgī mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṁṭhe ।	Throat
रजो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	rajo guṇāya namaḥ aṁtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
त्वक् ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	tvak jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Anywhere on your bare skin
पाद कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	pāda karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Touch your left-hand with your right
मृदु स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	mṛdu svarāya namaḥ kaṁṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
आकाश तत्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	ākāśa tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
परा शांति कलायै नमः करतले ।	parā śānti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left-hand
श्रीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	śrīṁ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
सम्पुट मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	sampuṭa mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ तां म आवह अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om tāṃ ma āvaha aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
जातवेदो तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	jātavedo tarjanībhyām svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	lakṣmīmanapa- gāminīm madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
यस्यां हिरण्यं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	yasyāṃ hiraṇyaṃ anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
प्रभूतं गावो दास्यो'श्वान् कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	prabhūtaṃ gāvo dāsyo'svān kaniṣikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
विन्देयं पूरुषानहम् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	vindeyaṃ pūruṣānaḥam karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ तां म आवह हृदयाय नमः ।	om tāṃ ma āvaha hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your right-hand.
जातवेदो शिरसे स्वाहा ।	jātavedo śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
लक्ष्मीमनपगामिनीम् शिखायै वषट् ।	lakṣmīmana- pagāminīm śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
यस्यां हिरण्यं कवचाय हुं ।	yasyāṃ hiraṇyaṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
प्रभूतं गावो दास्यो'श्वान् नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	prabhūtaṃ gāvo dāsyo'śvān netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
विन्देयं पूरुषानहम् अस्त्राय फट् ।	vindeyaṃ pūruṣānaḥ astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

Night 16

Night 16 (Last Night)

Chanting (Japa)

Mantra
Sanskrit
(Devanagari)

ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं
ॐ श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं नमः ।
यः शुचिः प्रयतो भूत्वा जुहुयादाज्यमन्वहम् ।
सूक्तं पञ्चदशर्चं च श्रीकामः सततं जपेत् ॥
नमो श्रीं ह्रीं श्रीं ॐ ।
ॐ आं ह्रीं श्रीं क्लीं ब्लूं सौं रं वं श्रीं ॐ ॥

Mantra
Sanskrit
(IAST)

oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
oṃ śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ namaḥ ।
yaḥ śuciḥ prayato bhūtvā juhuyādājyamanvahaṃ
।
sūktaṃ pañcadaśarcaṃ ca śrīkāmaḥ satataṃ
japet ॥
namo śrīṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ oṃ ।
oṃ āṃ hrīṃ śrīṃ kṛīṃ blūṃ sauṃ raṃ vaṃ śrīṃ
oṃ ॥

Count

Chant this mantra 1000 times.

Fire offerings (Yajna)

Mantra

Same as above. Just add 'Om Svaha' (ॐ स्वाहा, oṃ svāhā) at the end of your mantra. Therefore, say the mantra, say 'Om Svaha' and then make an offering in the fire pit.

Count

Make fire offerings 108 times.

Ingredients for
fire offerings

Ghee	500 grams
Grated dry coconut	100 grams
Lotus seeds	50 grams
Jaggery	50 grams
Almonds	50 grams

Cardamom	20 grams
White rice	50 grams
<i>Havan samagri</i>	2 packets
Black sesame seeds	50 grams
White sesame seeds	50 grams
White sandalwood	One small piece
Red sandalwood	One small piece
Full dry coconut	One piece

Follow the standard procedure of fire offerings as stated in *How to Make Fire Offerings (Yajna)*.

1. Mix grated coconut, lotus seeds, jaggery, almonds, cardamom, rice, *havan samagri* and sesame seeds.
2. Put ten tablespoons of melted ghee in it. Mix it thoroughly.
3. Make 108 offerings (*ahuti*) with your mantra for the night.
4. Since this is the last night, make 108 more offerings with the following mantra:

ॐ महादेव्यै च विद्महे विष्णुपत्नी च धीमहि,
तन्नो लक्ष्मीः प्रचोदयात् ।

Instructions

ōm mahādevyai ca vidmahe viṣṇupatnī ca dhīmahī,
tanno lakṣmīḥ pracodayāt ।

5. Once you are done making the offerings above, take both pieces of sandalwood (red and white) and dip them in ghee or pour a bit of ghee on them. Thereafter, offer both together with your mantra you used on the 16th night.
6. Draw a hole in your dry coconut and put some ghee in it alongwith a bit of the mixture of *havan samagri* above (where you mixed grated coconut and lotus seeds, etc.). Chant all the 16 verses of *Sri Suktam* and offer the coconut in the fire pit.

7. Conclude by pouring any remaining ghee from the 500 grams you set aside for this *yajna*. If you feel the fire going off or dousing while you do *yajna*, feel free to pour more ghee on the fire. Keep the fire alive.

Libations (*Tarpana*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ (तर्पयामि, <i>tarpyāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 32 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>tarpyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do libations 11 times.

Coronation (*Marjana* or *Abhishekam*)

Mantra	Same as the mantra above for chanting. Just add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ (Skt: मारजयामि, <i>mārjayāmi</i>) at the end of your mantra.
Instructions	Say the mantra, take a bit of water as per the instructions in step 33 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation (Puruscharana)</i> , and add ‘ <i>marjyami</i> ’ in the end when you put water back in the vessel.
Count	Do coronation 11 times.

Follow the 36 steps of the rites of invocation but please note that vow — step 16 — is to be performed only on the first night. The rest of the steps remain the same. The *nyasa*, application (*viniyoga*) and mantra will change every night. The mantra has been already specified in the previous table, *viniyoga* and *nyasa* are as follows.

Application (Viniyoga)

Sanskrit (Devanagri)	Sanskrit (IAST)
ॐ अस्य श्री यः शुचिः प्रयतो भूत्वा इति श्री सूक्त षोडश पंचदश मंत्रस्य श्री ब्रह्मा ऋषि, श्री महा सरस्वती देवता प्रूं बीज, सिद्धिदा शक्ति, श्री कमला महाविद्या, ह्रीं उत्कीलन, सर्व मंगल कारिण्यै भगवती लक्ष्मी प्रसाद सिद्ध्यर्थ षोडश मंत्र जपे विनियोगः।	om asya śrī yaḥ śuciḥ prayato bhūtvā iti śrī sūkta ṣoḍaśa pañcadaśa maṁtrasya śrī brahmā ṛṣi, śrī mahā sarasvatī devatā prūṁ bīja, siddhidā śakti, śrī kamalā mahāvidyā, hrīm utkīlana, sarva maṅgala kāriṇyāi bhagavatī lakṣmī prasāda siddhayartha ṣoḍaśa maṁtra jape viniyogaḥ।
Follow the standard procedure of <i>viniyoga</i> by taking a bit of water in your palm (as explained in step 18 in <i>Essential Steps in the Rites of Invocation</i>).	

Perform the *nyasa* as per the tables below, in that order, starting with *Nyasa* of the Sages (*Rishyadi nyasa*).

Nyasa of the Sages (Rishyadi Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagri)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Touch with your right-hand your...
श्री ब्रह्मा ऋषये नमः सहस्रारे शिरसि ।	śrī brahmā ṛṣaye namaḥ sahastrāre śirasi ।	Crown of the head
श्री महा सरस्वत्यै देव्यै नमः द्वादशारे हृदि ।	śrī mahā sarasvatyai devyai namaḥ dvādaśāre hradi ।	Heart
'प्रूं' बीजाय नमः षडारे योनौ ।	'prūṁ' bījāya namaḥ ṣaḍāre yonau ।	Groin
सिद्धिदा शक्त्यै नमः दशारे नाभौ ।	siddhidā śaktyai namaḥ daśāre nābhau ।	Navel

<i>Sanskrit (Devanagari)</i>	<i>Sanskrit (IAST)</i>	<i>Touch with your right- hand your...</i>
श्री कमला महाविद्यायै नमः षोडशारे कंठे ।	śrī kamalā mahāvīdyāyai namaḥ ṣoḍaśāre kaṅṭhe ।	Throat
सतो गुणाय नमः अंतरारे मनसि ।	sato guṇāya namaḥ aṅtarāre manasi ।	Heart (again)
घ्राणं ज्ञानेन्द्रिय नमः ज्ञानेन्द्रिये ।	ghrāṇaṃ jñānenidraya namaḥ jñāneindraye ।	Anywhere on your bare skin
पाद कर्मेन्द्रियाय नमः कर्मेन्द्रिये ।	pāda karmendriyāya namaḥ karmendriye ।	Touch your left-hand with your right.
मृदु स्वराय नमः कंठमूले ।	mṛdu svarāya namaḥ kaṅṭhamūle ।	Base of your throat (the soft area just below the Adam's apple)
जल तत्त्वाय नमः चतुरारे गुदे ।	jala tatvāya namaḥ caturāre gude ।	Lower back (near your anus but keep your clothes on and just touch your lower back symbolically)
शांति कलायै नमः करतले ।	śānti kalāyai namaḥ karatale ।	The palm of your left- hand
हीं उत्किलनाय नमः पादयोः ।	hrīṃ utkilanāya namaḥ pādayoḥ ।	Feet
योनि मुद्रायै नमः सर्वांगे ।	yoni mudrāyai namaḥ sarvāṅge ।	Whole body (Do this by rolling your right-hand over your upper body by bringing it around and then clapping gently)

Now perform *nyasa* of the hands (*kara nyasa*). The mudras are the same as in step no. 17 (purification of the hands) of this chapter. You can see the illustrations in that table. I am providing the description again.

Nyasa of the Hands (Kara Nyasa)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Gesture with both hands
ॐ यः शुचिः अंगुष्ठाभ्यां नमः ।	om yaḥ śuciḥ aṅguṣṭhābhyāṃ namaḥ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb at the base of your index finger.
प्रयतो भूत्वा तर्जनीभ्याम् स्वाहा ।	prayato bhūtvā tarjanībhyāṃ svāhā ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger.
जुहुयादाज्यमन्वहम् मध्यमाभ्यां वषट् ।	juhuyādājyamanvahaṃ madhyamābhyāṃ vaṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your middle finger.
सूक्तं पञ्चदशर्चं अनामिकाभ्यां हुं ।	sūktaṃ pañcadaśarcaṃ anāmikābhyāṃ huṃ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your ring finger.
च श्रीकामः कनिष्काभ्यां वौषट् ।	ca śrīkāmaḥ kaniṣikābhyāṃ vauṣaṭ ।	Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your little finger.
सततं जपेत् करतलकरपृष्ठाभ्यां फट् ।	satataṃ japet karatalakara- pṛṣṭhābhyāṃ phaṭ ।	Touch the back of your left-hand with the back of your right-hand and then clap softly.

Now do the final *nyasa* by performing six-limbed mantra *nyasa*. The mudras for this are the same as shown in Night 1. I'm giving the description again.

Six-Limbed Mantra Nyasa (*Shadanga Mantra Nyāsa*)

Sanskrit (Devanagari)	Sanskrit (IAST)	Description
ॐ यः शुचिः हृदयाय नमः ।	oṃ yaḥ śuciḥ hradayāya namaḥ ।	Touch your heart region with your righthand.
प्रयतो भूत्वा शिरसे स्वाहा ।	prayato bhūtvā śirase svāhā ।	Touch your forehead with your right-hand keeping the index finger away.
जुहुयादाज्यमन्वहम् शिखायै वषट् ।	juhuyādājya- manvahaṃ śikhāyai vaṣaṭ ।	Make a fist with right-hand and extend your thumb. Now touch the crown of your head with your thumb.
सूक्तं पञ्चदशर्चं कवचाय हुं ।	sūktaṃ pañcadaśarcaṃ kavacāya huṃ ।	Touch your shoulders by crossing your hands.
च श्रीकामः नेत्रत्रयाय वौषट् ।	ca śrīkāmaḥ netratrayāya vauṣaṭ ।	Spread your right-hand and touch your right eye with your index finger, forehead with the middle finger and left eye with the ring finger simulatenously.
सततं जपेत् अस्त्राय फट् ।	satataṃ japet astrāya phaṭ ।	Take the right-hand over your head and then bring it back in front of you to clap softly.

If you are someone who diligently followed the routine for a period of 960 days and have completed this *sadhana* with utmost devotion, I must tell you that you are a very special person. In the last 27 years, I have met so many *sadhakas* and less than .001% even try to go this right till the end. In fact, I've only met two people who have walked the path of this *sadhana* till the end.

If you have made this far and completed the *sadhana* of *Sri Suktam* as per the injunctions and instructions in this book, the grace of Devi now lives in you. I congratulate you and offer my deepest respects to you. I really do. Because you have accomplished that which is beyond the reach of an ordinary person. The goddess of prosperity and affluence blesses you.