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1. O, MAHER BABA! Our humble salutations to thee, Celestial Charm incarnate, who has graced this world dark with illusion and pride with a torch of love to illumine it.

2. Maher Baba! Thou hast come with the purpose of maintaining Dharma, ensuring happiness for all, severing the bonds of life and death, raising and tending the fallen. Our lives have been sanctified by your divine presence among us.

3. Maher Baba! It has been our devout yearning to look at thy presence glowing with a golden halo, and loving smile. Our wish has been granted this day, and our salutations to thee for this.

4. Maher Baba! The humble, the seekers of Truth and these scholars and thinkers congregated here to attain salvation by rendering homage to thee. Our lives are fruitified by our services to thee.

5. Maher Baba! The places of thy birth, and penance, thine own Meharasrama, and towns and cities here aspired to celebrate thy Shashtipurthi. But thou hast in your divine benevolence given that privilege to this village.

6. Maher Baba! Though in ascetic robes and with a begging bowl, you have not commented on the Upanishads; and did not try to pass for a Yogi. Curiously, the world considers you a Vedanti, knowing here that thou art the Supreme Lord.

7. Maher Baba! We gratefully remember your great love in undertaking this journey despite physical discomfort from village to village in Andhra with the aim of dispelling ignorance and effecting a dawn of self-realisation.

8. Maher Baba! Thou blessest an ignorance and maketh an omniscient of him; thou grantest the wishes of the praying worshipper. Your ways are unfathomable to the looks of us.

9. Maher Baba! Thou art the incarnation of the Lord the propounder of the Vedas, the Lord whose cardinal quality is Nirguna, our woes are gone and darkness is chased away by your presence.

10. Maher Baba! Thou art perfect. Thy soul will never yield to dwandas of this mundane world. Greed and ambition are foreign to you. Likes and dislikes are far from thee, and thou art one with God in eternal Sankhya Yogic State. The splendour of thy "topas" has gone beyond all boundaries.

11. Maher Baba! Banaras, Jerusalem and Mecca are all one to thee. There are Hindus and Muslims and Parsis and Christians amongst thy disciples, Thou hast bound them all with the bond of thy supreme love.

12. Maher Baba! Thou worshipping Allah, Christ and Rama all alike. You forget yourself in the devotion towards Paramatma and you protect your devotees with the kindly light shed by your brilliant eyes.

13. Maher Baba! Be he a Christian, a Parsi, a Hindu, a muslim by your contact has he attained peace. Malevolence is rooted out by our worshipping you. Wrong Religious propaganda is dispelled by your kindness.

14. Maher Baba! Thou hast driven away the passions of the body. In thy divine munificence thou hast granted all the wishes of the needy. Those who are benefited by you are thousands. They have no doubt that thou art God.

15. Maher Baba! They are great that have understood your wisdom blessed that have seen you, respectable that have heard you; the devotees that have taken to you teaching know and worship you as a God.

16. Maher Baba! Your name is the famous mantra. Your divine form is the cherishable shape. Your deeds are memorable for us. Your pure and kind vision is the most desirable of all.

17. Maher Baba! Knowing no anger, taking no sword, without any personal animosities, thou hast come into this world to establish a reign of Peace; and universal peace is something which only you can bring about.

18. Maher Baba! To tender good advice to the perverse religious fanatics, and to preach worship one and only one God, and to materialise universal fraternity thou hast taken a vow, and thou are great for that.

19. Maher Baba! Aggrandisement and ambition urge the selfish to spell destruction on the world by using nuclear weapons. Bring into force thy inexhaustible resources of 'tapas', and put the world on the right track.

20. Maher Baba! Pakisthan is about to become a battle field on which both the orientals and occidentals will perish. All are thy children. So please save them from perdition.

21. Maher Baba! Just as Vashishta with his great wealth of Tapas cut off all the evil weapons of

Viswamitra that have emanated from his anger and jealousy, you also make all the bombs powerless with your Tapas.

22. Maher Baba! Light the torch of knowledge, preach the gospel of non-violence and Truth, and bring peace and happiness to this world with its different languages, various scripts, manifold cultures, and several religions.

23. Maher Baba! Mammon has become the God, Selfishness the religion, animosity the character, deceit the practice, untruth the truth, might the right, and worship also taboo; dharma has become topsy turvey in this manner. Kindly rectify this state of affairs.

24. Maher Baba! The worshipful and the humble come to thee, and thou goest to the angry and haughty, preach the gospel and see to their salvation. In benevolence the like of thee are not known.

25. Maher Baba! Thy kind hand is the saviour of thy devotees; thy body is the temple to be worshipped, thy deeds and doings are comprehensible to the Almighty above. They are beyond our understanding.

26. Maher Baba! Where thou standest, there is a pilgrimage; whom thou lookest at with love have

their wishes satisfied, who worship thee have their sins shattered; thy splendorous greatness is indeed Superhuman.

27. Maher Baba! We can say 'SIVOHAM' and 'SOHAM', but we cannot conquer our ire and ego. Hence we say 'DASOHAM' and 'SISHYOHAM' and stand arrayed before thee respectfully.

28. Maher Baba! Thou art not tired of rendering service to the diseased; Thou art not angry if a murderer faces thee with his bragging. Thou art the incarnation of kindness.

29. Maher Baba! My life is torn to pieces, confidence is gone; weakness has set in. Grant me peace and happiness. I have the privilege of beholding thy divine presence this day.

30. Maher Baba! Thou art omniscient and there is nothing thou knowest not about. The difficulties I suffered are beyond me. I am blessed this day as I see thee.

31. Maher Baba! With confidence in the efficacy of meditation of thy name, and the hope that I will be rid of my tribulations I am worshipping thee humbly.

32. Maher Baba! Gandhiji has got for this country freedom from foreigners, and thou acquirist spiritual freedom for us, and thou alone with thine eminence, art capable of doing that for us. Our Salutations to thee!



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