

## HANUMAN - THE SERVANT GOD

Lord Hanuman or Hanumanji (हनुमान जी) is known by many names as Anjaneya, Anjani Putra, Bajarangabali, Hanuman, Mahaveer, Maruti, Pavanputra etc. Hanuman, the monkey god, is the son of Vayu or Marut, the wind god. Hanuman's mother is Anjani. Hanuman was the chief of the armies of Sri Ramachandra and took a prominent part in the war against Ravana, the king of Lanka, in the Indian epic poem Ramayana. Hanuman helped restore Sri Sita back to Sri Rama.



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Hanuman, worshipped for his strength, valor, agility, is a man of great learning. He is considered to be an avatar (incarnation) of Lord Shiva. Hanuman, a great devotee of Sri Rama, is the symbol of devotion and dedication. Hanuman carried Sri Rama and Lakshmana on his shoulder when they were in search of Sugreeva, the king of Vanarav in Kishkindha and helped them to find Sita. Prior to the war between Sri Rama and Ravana, Anjaneya visited Lanka, met Ravana, created havoc and burnt down the city of Lanka (Lanka Dahan). During the war, when Lakshmana was injured seriously, Sushena, the surgeon/physician of the monkey army, despatched Maruti to bring herbal medicine, Jadi Buti, from the far-off Sanjeevini mountain in the Himalayas, before sunrise. Flying over the Himalayas and unable to identify the particular herb fast, Hanuman uprooted and carried the entire Sanjivini mountain in time to save the life of Lakshmana. Hanuman was blessed by Sri Rama with immortality (chiranjeevi).

Hanuman was a bachelor and is worshipped in all the temples of India. Every temple of Sri Rama contains an icon of Hanuman. Worship of Sri Rama is complete only with the worship of Hanuman. Sant Tulsidas composed the 40 stanzas of Hanuman Chalisa in praise of Hanuman. Hanuman Jayanti is the birth anniversary of Lord Hanuman. One cannot understand Hindu Dharma unless one knows Hanuman - the embodiment of servitude.

We now present three different mantras or prayers of Lord Hanuman.



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ॐ अईम भ्रीम हनुमते, श्री राम दूताय नमः

Aum aeem bhreem hanumate, shree ram dootaaya namaha.

We pray to the Lord Hanuman, who is the greatest server and messenger of the Lord incarnate, Shree Rama.

[Chant the prayer for Lord Hanuman हनुमान मंत्र \(mp3 170K\)](#)

मनोजवं मारुत तुल्यवेगम्  
जितेन्द्रियं बुद्धिमतां वरिष्ठम् ।  
वातात्मजं वाणर यूथमुख्यं  
श्रीरामदूतम् शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥

**manojavam māruta tulyavegam**

**jitendriyam buddhimatām varishtham.**

**vātātmajam vānara yūthamukhyam**

**śrīrāmadūtam śaraṇam prapadye..**

मनोजवं मारुततुल्यवेगम् जितेन्द्रियं बुद्धिमतां वरिष्ठम् ।

वातात्मजं वानरयूथमुख्यं श्रीरामदूतं शरणं प्रपद्ये । ।

Manojavam maruta tulya vegam, jitendriyam buddhi mataam varishtham

vaataatmajam vaanara yooth mukhyam, shree raama dootam sharnam prapadye.

Let me pray to the one who is swift as thought (manojavam-), the one who is more powerful than the wind (marut.tulya.vegam-), the one who has conquered his senses (jitendriyam-), the one who is supreme among all intelligent beings, the son of the wind-

god (vaataatmajam-), the commander of the army of forest creatures (vaanar.yooth.mukhyam-), Let me find refuge in Lord Rama's Messenger, the

incomparable Lord Hanuman. Please accept me and my prayers at your feet.

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लाल देह लालीलसे, अरुधरिलाल लँगूर  
वज्र देह दानव दलण, जय जय जय कपिसूर ।

**lāla deha lālilase, arudharilāla la.Ngūra**

**vajra deha dānava dalāṇa, jaya jaya jaya kapisūra.**

लाल देह लालीलसे, अरुधरिलाल लँगूर ।

बज्र देह दानव दलण, जय जय जय कपिसूर । ।

Laal deha laaleel-se, arudhari-laal langoor

vajra deha daanava dalan, jai jai jai kapi-soor

We pray to the red-colored one, whose entire body is red, and who is decorated with red

colored *sindoor*. We pray to the one draped with a red colored loin-cloth. We pray to the one whose body is firm and strong like the *vajra* (Lord Indra's weapon). We pray to the destroyer of demons. We bow in praise again and again to the supreme among Gods, Lord Hanuman.

आञ्जणेय गायत्री  
Lord Hanuman Gayatri

ॐ आञ्जणेयाय विद्महे वायुपुत्राय धीमहि ।  
तन्नो हनुमत् प्रचोदयात् । ।

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AUM aanjaneyaaya vid-mahe vaayu-putraayaya dheemahi  
tanno hanumatah prachodayaat

We pray to the son of Goddess Anjani and the son of the "Wind" ...  
May Lord Hanuman lead our intellect towards intelligence and "knowing".

