

Om Sham Shanaishcharaya Namah

About these texts

Sources

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Transliteration

The Roman line is IAST transliteration derived from the Devanagari (ā = long a, ṁ = anusvara, ḥ = visarga, ś/ṣ = sh sounds, c = ch as in "church"). In Hindi, Awadhi and Braj texts the silent final "a" is dropped. Transliteration does not show Vedic accents.

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Type	Mantra
Deity	Shani Dev
Version	Common version
Tradition	Common to many traditions
Source	Traditional devotional text (common printed and recited form) — Common devotional form
Credits	Traditional; public domain.

ॐ शं शनैश्चराय नमः ॥

om śaṃ śanaīścarāya namaḥ | |

Meaning

Om, sham — salutation to Shanaishchara (Shani, 'the slow-moving one').

Contains a bija (seed syllable); some traditions prefer that bija mantras be learned from a teacher.

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