

Maa Katyayani – Sixth Navdurga Worshiped in Navratra

Maa Katyayani is the sixth form of Maa Durga. So the sixth day of Navratra is dedicated to Durga Katyayani. She is called Katyayani because she was born as the daughter of Sage Katya of Katya clan. Sage Katyayan performed very hard penance of Maa Bhagvati. It was his wish that Maa Durga be born as his daughter. The Goddess acceded to his request.

Meanwhile, army of the powerful demon Mahishasura, who could only be killed by a warrior Goddess, had reached heaven to overthrow the Gods from their abode.

The Trinity of Gods - Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva, got infuriated and they created the Goddess Durga, who was a culmination of the powers of all deities. Sage Katyayana had the first privilege to worship her, so she was also named Katyayani.

Another myth goes by that she was born to Katyayana as his daughter on the 14th dark of the month Asvina. Katyayana worshiped her for three days, 7th, 8th and 9th of the bright fortnight in the same month and killed Mahishasur on Vijayadasami. Her worship done with devotion and faith leads to four objects - Dharma, Artha, Kama and Moksha.

This is the daughter form of Durga. Here she is a loving daughter. She is epitome of love but won't hesitate to rise up in anger to defend righteousness and Dharma. It is believed that Maa Katyayani persistently battles against the evil and deceitful entities.

She has three eyes and four arms. One left hand holds a weapon and the other a lotus. The other two hands respectively display defending and granting gestures. Her skin appears golden in colour. Her mount is a lion.

To get God Krishna as a husband gopis worship Maa Katyayani in Vraj. So she is established as the Queen of Vraj. There is a very famous Temple in Delhi (Chhattarpur) of Maa.

This Shrine is dedicated to Goddess Katyayani, whose Darshan can be availed only on Ashtami falling in every month. Otherwise, the Darshan of Goddess Katyayani can be made throughout the days of Navratra.

The golden image of Katyayani attracts the attention of devotees with its huge size and sheer divinity.

The worship of Maa Durga as Goddess Katyayani on sixth day of Navratra has its very importance. Yogis and Sadhaks penance on Agya Chakra on this day.

Humans offer everything to Maa while worshipping on this day. She gives blessings to her devotee. Red and white colour should be used to wear on this day.

The Adolescent Virgin Goddess in the southern tip of India, Devi Kanya Kumari is said to be the avatar of Devi Katyayani. She is the Goddess of penance and Sanyas.

Women take a bath early in the morning and worship the idol of Goddess Katyayani, carved out of wet sand.



Ashada Navratra - Gupt Navratra or Varahi Navratra

Ashada Navratra, also known as Gupt Navratra or Varahi Navratra, is a 9-day festival dedicated to Goddess Varahi Devi. It is observed in Shukla Paksha of Ashad month. These are very auspicious days for the Tantriks, Sadhaks for Saadhna and also for any other specific Tantrik pooja to resolve the materialistic problems. By keeping fasts, chanting Shlokas and Mantras, the devotees show their regard for the Goddess. It is believed that during Navratra, the Goddess promptly heeds to devotees and fulfills wishes. She is worshipped in the three forms of the divine femininity, as the remover of vices, as the bestower of wealth and prosperity and as the Goddess of wisdom.

Tantrik Anusthan on Ashad Navratra

Vamtantra conducts Tantrik Anusthan of Shri Durga Saptashati Samput Path, Shrimad-Devi Bhagvat, Devi Mahaatnya and other texts invoking Goddess Durga are cited by Vamtantra during this period of nine days.

Ashad- Gupt Navratra Puja Benefits

Ashada Navratra Puja is famous in several parts of India for Tantrik Pooja. It is celebrated with primary intention to propitiate Shakti and to bestow upon us all wealth, prosperity, knowledge both sacred and secular, and all other required positive energies. Goddess Durga is known for alleviation of distress; showing great kindness towards the distressed. A particular ritualistic worship of



the Goddess is performed daily, along with the recitation of the Durga Saptashati. Everyone is inspired to do the maximum number of Japa of the Navarna Mantra "Aim hreem kleem chaamundaayai vieche" or the Mantra of their own tutelary God. Sincere spiritual devotees keep fast on all the nine days, or at least once in each of the three three-day periods by taking milk and fruits only.

Samput Path

Samput are the clearly and explicitly stated words or Mantras or Shlokas usually followed with a specified Path of any Hindu scriptures used in the beginning, middle or end of the Mantra Patha. The Samput makes the Mantras more intense, stronger, or more marked. The Path when done with Samput Mantra becomes thousand times

more valuable than the original one and gives escalated results.

There are distinctly separate Samput Viddhis to be used with all sacred scriptures. But every scripture has the potential to be used with a Samput Mantra. The Samput holds a special significance in Durga Saptashati Path or in other Mantras and are to be used very carefully and cautiously.

Samput Path of Durga Saptashati

Vamtantra conducts special Durga Saptashati Samput Path in these auspicious days. In the period of Ashad Navratra consecrated chants of Durga Saptashati are done which is a part of Markandeya Purana. The Mantras in the book narrate how Goddess Durga was empowered and provided with divine weapons by our Trinity of Gods (Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva) to decimate Mahishasura and various other demons.

With the correct use of Samput Mantra along with Shri Durga Saptashati Path persons achievement is of highest order and any impossible can be acquired.

Samput Path of Durga Saptashati Protects a Person From the Following:

Lack of wealth and welfare, enormous debt that pushes a person to extreme poverty, obstacles in functioning of business, facing hindrance in getting monetary benefits, problems in acquiring and retaining

ancestral wealth, lack of success and loses consistently in education and career, recurrent loss of job, hindrance and obstruction in promotion and destruction of career, strained married life, undesired life partner, unsuccessful love life, betrayed from partner, epidemics, fear, obstacles.

Samput Patha of Durga Saptashati also helps the individual in destruction of sins, for getting salvation and to achieve success in spirituality.

Ashtmi and Navami of Ashad Navratra

On the day of Ashad Ashtami Pooja is performed in all Shakti Peeths in India. The next day is observed as Mahahavami. On this last day a grand Havan is conducted at the place of worship consisting of an edifice for the worship of a deity, with recitation of the Durga Saptashati and other verses in praise of the Goddess Durga. On the Dasami in which Kanya Puja of minimum nine girls below the age of ten is performed as personification of Goddess Durga. They are served food and presented with new clothes and other things. Apart from these we also conduct Shree Navaran Yantra Poojanam and any other specific Tantrik Pooja as per the requirement on all nine Navratra nights. Our peculiar desires are fulfilled after this special Pooja with specific Mantra. The one thing behind all these is especially appeasing our deity and linking our self with her.

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In order to clear extra rush of passengers during forthcoming festival season, Northern Railway has decided to run the **GATI SHAKTI Superfast Special Express Train** as per details given below:-

04071/04072 New Delhi - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra - New Delhi GATI SHAKTI Superfast Special Express Train

TRAIN NO. 04071		STATIONS	TRAIN NO. 04072	
ARR.	DEP.		ARR.	DEP.
---	23:30	New Delhi	05:35	---
11:25	---	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	---	18:10

Days of Run : 04071 Ex. New Delhi on **20.10.2023** and 04072 Ex. Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra on **22.10.2023**.
Accommodation : 1st AC, AC 2 Tier & AC 3 Tier.
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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE
The Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Firozpur Division Invites applications for allotment of halt contract for sale of tickets for the following stations:-

Name of work	Details
Allotment of Halt contract at Jamsher Khas, Sham Chaurasi, Khatkar Kalan Jhanda Ji, Jajion Doiaba, Garhshankar, Malupota, Salla Khurd, Dudwindi, Garna Sahib, Parao Mehna & Sindhar Halt Stations over Firozpur Division.	
Tenure of contract	05 (five) years
Last date & time of submission and opening of applications	On 20.11.2023 Up to 15:00 hrs (Applications will be opened on 20.11.2023 and in case the day on which the applications are to be opened is a holiday, the same will be opened at the same time on next working day).
Address of the office & date from which application forms will be available.	Office of Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Firozpur. Date 19.10.2023 to 20.11.2023
Northern Railway's web site.	Applications can also be downloaded from Northern Railway's official website www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in

The notice for inviting application forms and other related information is also available on the official web site of Northern Railway www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice
DEN/Track/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date- **09.11.2023** up to **15:00 Hrs**. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available on www.ireps.gov.in portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker Cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. For more information logon to www.ireps.gov.in

Tender Type	Tendering Section	Bidding System
Open	Works	Single Bid System
Date of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date	Bid Closing Date/Time
17.10.2023	26.10.2023	09.11.2023/ 15:00 Hrs.

S. No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender
1.	270-2023-24-Track-DRM-FZR	Misc track works in connection with pre & post attention works of T-28 Machine for TBR, /Out and Layout Correction over Firozpur Division.
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money
	49,40,664.14/-	98,800.00/-
	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
	60 Days	12 Months
	Similar nature of work:- Nil.	
2.	273-2023-24-JAT-DRM-FZR	Slewing of Existing Engineering Siding for enhancing the capacity of Ballast Depot at Hiranagar in BHRL-JAT section.
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money
	1,48,58,434.49/-	2,24,300.00/-
	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
	60 Days	08 Months
	Similar nature of work:- "Any civil work other than track work".	

Note 1. Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender. **No:- 270-2023-24-Track-DRM-FZR & 273-2023-24-JAT-DRM-FZR Date: 17.10.2023** **3265/2023**

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM FOR NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (NIT) FOR

Central Smart Surveillance Unit with Artificial Intelligence Enabled Unified IT Platform for Automated AI-enabled Activity & Attendance Monitoring and Real-Time Data Analytics & Reporting (AIAAMDAR) for Department of Social Justice & Empowerment

The objective is to get an overall proposal from the existing Indian Service Providers in the Indian market for setting up of Central Smart Surveillance Unit (CSSU) with Artificial Intelligence Enabled Unified IT Platform for Automated AI-enabled Activity & Attendance Monitoring and Real-Time Data Analytics & Reporting (AIAAMDAR) for monitoring of presence & activities at approximately 1300 GIA Institutions of Department of Social Justice & Empowerment with zero/minimum manual intervention. The system should facilitate automated monitoring 24x7x365 in hybrid format i.e., through already available multiple types of input sensors such as, hand held devices and CCTV cameras.

Important information on date and time schedule:

Sl. No	Information	Details
1	RFP release date	04.10.2023 at 10:00 hrs
2	Last date for submission of written queries for clarifications	23.10.2023 at 17:00 hrs
3	Pre bid Meeting Venue: D/o Social Justice and Empowerment, B-2, Ground floor, Pandit Deendayal Arhodyaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-110003	19.10.2023 at 10:00 hrs
4	Bid validity period	120 days from the last date (deadline) for submission of proposals
5	Last date (deadline) for submission of bids	03.11.2023 at 17:00 hrs
6	Opening of technical bids	09.11.2023 at 15:00 hrs
7	Place, time and date of opening of financial proposals received in response to the RFP notice	Will be intimated later
8	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the form of Demand Draft	INR 10,00,000/- (Indian Rupees Ten lacs only)

For more details and Notice inviting e-Tender(NIT), please visit <https://socialjustice.gov.in/> and <https://gem.gov.in/>

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