

# SRI RAMANA SATGURU

## Refrain

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## Text

1. Gracious Lord who was born at the place  
That the glorious gods of heaven delight to praise,  
Famous Holy Tiruchuli,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
2. Born of the love of Alagu and Sundara<sup>1</sup> was the sea of nectar,  
The dweller at Arunachala. Out of love (for us), first the formless  
One took shape as the bull-mounted Siva.  
And again now as Ramana Sat-Guru!
3. Untainted Knowledge flowed as the Sea of Love  
To the fine Virupaksha Cave on Aruna Hill  
And took form as this Pure Being,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
4. He wrestled to the ground and trampled Illusion, his challenger.  
He did away with the artful senses  
And the profusion of past karma,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!

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<sup>1</sup> Both of Bhagavan's parents names, *Alagu* and *Sundara*, mean 'beauty' in Tamil.

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## Pallavi

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## Nul

1. Pugazhum pon-nula gattu vānavar  
Pōṭṭri ninḍru pugazhn-diḍum;  
Tigazhum nannila-mān Tiruc-chuzhi  
Tannil vanda dayā-paran. (Ramaṇa ...)
2. Azhagu Sundarar anbinil varum  
Amuda vāridi Aruṇai-yān;  
Mazha-viḍaip poruḷ aruḷ paḍait-tiḍu  
Vaḍi-vilā vaḍi vānavan. (Ramaṇa ...)
3. Amala Jñāna aruḷ peruṅ-kaḍal  
Aruṇai yaṅ-giri tannilē;  
Vimalamē vuru-vāgi vandoru  
Virupa naḷ-guhai mēvi-nān. (Ramaṇa ...)
4. Vādu sei-diḍu māyai tannai  
Vaḷaittu ninḍru midit-tavan;  
Sūdu-sei pula nōḍu vaṅ-jagac  
Chūzh vinait-togai aṭṭravan. (Ramaṇa ...)

5. He was taken up and embraced by the Lord of Arunachala.  
My Lord and Master's Grace took form as this Master  
Who stands here as the celestial wish-fulfilling tree,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
6. He became unmindful of the three bodies  
And lived through the three pure states,  
Without delighting in this transitory worldly life,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
7. Recognising the soul of the body  
To be the very Soul of the Universe,  
Remaining still, growing ripe, his heart became one with all.  
Ever-blissful is this Ramana Sat-Guru!
8. He who had as his guru the famed golden-hued Siva,  
With his beautiful matted hair,  
And became one with Him,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
9. He pervades the five elements.  
He is unbound by the five sheaths.  
He removes the troubles of devotees and grants them knowledge.  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
10. The three *gunas* do not bar his way.  
He is the primal God free from taint.  
Men of merit seek him, serve him and fall at his feet,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
11. He is Perfect Awareness,  
Fully aware of the primal cause and its effects.  
Of the challenger, Illusion,  
The vanquisher is Ramana Sat-Guru!

5. Aruṇai Īsan eḍutta ṇain-diḍu  
Anban en-guru nāya-kan;  
Karu-ṇaiyē vaḍi-vāha nin-ḍṛiḍu  
Kaṛpahat taru vāgi-nōn. (Ramaṇa ... )
6. Mūnḍṛu dēha maṛandu mup-pada  
Vāzh-vinil kuḍi yēṛi-nān;  
Tonḍṛum ijjaga vāzh-viniṛ kaḷi  
Yādu ninḍṛiḍu tōnḍ-ṛalān. (Ramaṇa ... )
7. Piṇḍa mēviya nādanē bira  
Māṇḍa mēviya nāda-nāik;  
Kaṇḍu ninḍṛu kaninduḷ-ēkamē  
Kātchi-yāik kaḷi koṇḍavan. (Ramaṇa ... )
8. Ponnīṛan tavazh mēni-yan pugazh  
Ōṅgu seṅ-jaḍai vēṇi-yan;  
Tan-naruṅ guru vāga vāit-tiḍu  
Tat-tuvap poruḷ ānavan. (Ramaṇa ... )
9. Pañcha bhūta niṛaindu ninḍṛavan  
Pañcha kōsama daṭṭṛavan;  
Aṅjalit tiḍum anbar tunba  
Mozhikku jñāna vidā-yagan. (Ramaṇa ... )
10. Mukgu-ṇat taḍai aṭṭṛavan muda  
Lāya dēva nirā-mayan;  
Pakkuvat tavar vandu ninḍṛu  
Paṇin-diḍum pada sēvai-yān. (Ramaṇa...)
11. Ādi kāraṇa kari yaṅgaḷ  
Aṛinda chin-maya pūra-ṇan;  
Vādiyā mala māyai tannai  
Vadaittu vīsiḍum āraṇan. (Ramaṇa ... )

12. His glorious feet are praised by the gods  
 Who stand around him in humble devotion.  
 He is the Way, the Door and the King of Pure Knowledge  
 This Ramana Sat-Guru!
13. The Lord of the Vedas, the Jewel of the Vedas,  
 He is the Vedas Incarnate.  
 The delighter in life eternal gained by the power of his love,  
 Is Ramana Sat-Guru!
14. He is the *turiya* state, the pure expanse,  
 The stage for world-play, the Witness pervading the seven worlds  
 And the whole universe, himself remaining unstained.  
 Transcendental is Ramana Sat-Guru!
15. He is the juice of the sweet fruit ripened on the tree of Awareness.  
 At one with That, he remains all by himself  
 As Being-Knowledge-Bliss,  
 Ramana Sat-Guru!
16. He is the dear Lord, dweller in the cavity of my heart,  
 In union with me like salt in water.  
 He is both father and mother to me. He is Reality Itself —  
 Ramana Sat-Guru!
17. Free from the troublesome waking, dream and deep sleep states,  
 Perfect, beyond the reach of speech,  
 The meaning of the *mahavakya*<sup>2</sup>  
 Is Ramana Sat-Guru!
18. The ever-existent Reality is this Brahmin,  
 Who is beyond caste and creed, beginningless,  
 The untainted Lord of Knowledge,  
 The Light revealed in Love — Ramana Sat-Guru!

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<sup>2</sup> 'You are That'.

12. Dēvar yāvarum vandu ninḍru  
 Tudit-tiḍum pada vaibha-van;  
 Kāva-lāgi meyñ-jñāna nāṭṭara  
 Sāga ninḍriḍu kāraṇan. (Ramaṇa ...)
13. Vēda nāya-kan vēda bhuṣha-ṇan  
 Vēdamē uru vāyavan;  
 Kāda lāyp-para vāzh-viniṛ kaḍi  
 Dēṛi-ninḍru kaḷit-tavan. (Ramaṇa ...)
14. Turiyamē vaḍi vāgit tūveḷi  
 Āḍaraṅ-gama dāgi-nōn;  
 Kariyadāi jagam ēzho ḍaṅ-ḍaṅ  
 Kalandu ninḍra kalap-pilān. (Ramaṇa ...)
15. Chinma yat-taru viṛ-pa zhut-tiḍu  
 Tīṅganic chuvai āgi-nōn;  
 Tan-mayap poru ḷāyt tanit-tiḍu  
 Sacchidā-nandam āginon. (Ramaṇa ...)
16. Appil uppena en-manak guhai  
 Oppi ninḍriḍum aṅṅalān;  
 Appan oppavan annai yoppavan  
 Aṛbhu-dap poruḷ āna-van. (Ramaṇa ...)
17. Jākkiraṅ kana vōḍu chāṭṭru  
 Suzhutti vādai-yad aṭṭra-vaṅ;  
 Vākki ṛandu niṛaindu ninḍ-radoṛ  
 Vākki-yap poruḷ ānavan. (Ramaṇa ...)
18. Sanādanap poruḷ āna vēdiyan  
 Jāti bhēdama ḍaṭṭra-vaṅ;  
 Anādi ninmala jñāna nāyagan  
 Anbinil varu jōtiyān. (Ramaṇa ...)

19. The ocean of goodness beyond all characteristics,  
The righteous one in the eyes of the wise.  
He is the syrup of sweetness. His form is the unity of the individual  
And the Supreme Self, Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
20. For devotees bowing down in devotion,  
He grants the Knowledge that reveals the shore of Liberation;  
The one who hoists the flag announcing it  
Is Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
21. Destroy the spectre of my mind  
Struggling in the open jaws of the senses with their evil ways.  
Make me your own,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
22. With the sword of pure knowledge  
Strike down the cruel demon of ignorance,  
Now ruling as ego in the body,  
O Self-effulgent Gem! Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
23. Sri Ramana, the delight of the Solar Race,  
Illustrious Brahma on the lotus, Siva with His deer and spear,  
Kumaradeva of great tapas,  
All these are our Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
24. Praise to you, blessed Being within the sanctuary of my heart!  
Praised be your Face! Praised be your Heart!  
Praised be your Feet,  
Lord Ramana Sat-Guru!
  
25. Please place your feet on the head of Venkataramayyar,  
Who stands praying fervently before you,  
Singing your praises which taste nectar-sweet to his tongue,  
Ramana Sat-Guru!

19. Saṛḡuṇak kaḡal āna naṛḡuṇan  
 Saṛjanar pugazh nīdi-yān;  
 Aṛbhudac chuvai āna pāginan  
 Asipadat turu vānavan. (Ramaṇa ... )
20. Bhakti yōḡu paṇindu ninḡriḡu  
 Bhakta kōḡiyar taṅgaḡai;  
 Mukti meik-karai kātṡi mūdaṛi  
 Uṡṡrida dhvajam iṡṡavan. (Ramaṇa ... )
21. Aḡāda seiḡai aḡikkum indriya  
 Vaṅja-naip poṛi vāyilil;  
 Viḡādu vīzhndu viḡik-kum en manap  
 Peyai vāvena vāḡu-vāi (Ramaṇa ... )
22. Aṅga mēri ahaṅ-garit tiḡum  
 Āṇavap-paḡu pāvi-yait;  
 Tuṅga jṅāna-vāḡ koṅḡu chāḡu-vīr  
 Tūmaṅic chuḡar āḡinīr. (Ramaṇa ... )
23. Bhānu vamsa vinōda Rama-num  
 Paṅkayap peru vāzh-vanum;  
 Mānuṅ śūlam aṅinda dēvanum  
 Mādha vak kuma-rēsanum. (Ramaṇa ... )
24. Pōṡṡri en-manak kōyil uṡṡriḡu  
 Puṅṅiyat tiru mēniyāi;  
 Pōṡṡri nin-mugam pōṡṡri nin-manam  
 Pōṡṡri nin-padam aiyanē. (Ramaṇa ... )
25. Nacchi ninḡru navitṡru Vēṅkaṡa  
 Ramaṇa nāvilu-mēviya;  
 Ucchidac chuvai āna un-padam  
 Ucchi vait-tiḡa vēṅḡi-nēn. (Ramaṇa ... )