

Vedic Ārati



OM na tatra sūryo bhāti na chandra tārakam
nemā vidyuto bhānti kutoyam agnihi
tam eva bhāntam anubhāti sarvam
tasya bhāsā sarvam idam vibhāti

Translation

OM.

There, where (That, which) the sun cannot illumine, nor the moon and stars . . .

There, where (That, which) even lightning cannot illumine . . .

what to speak of this fire (that I offer before You, O Lord)?

That is what illumines all, and all shine only after being illumined by That.

It is by That light alone that everything (all of creation) shines.