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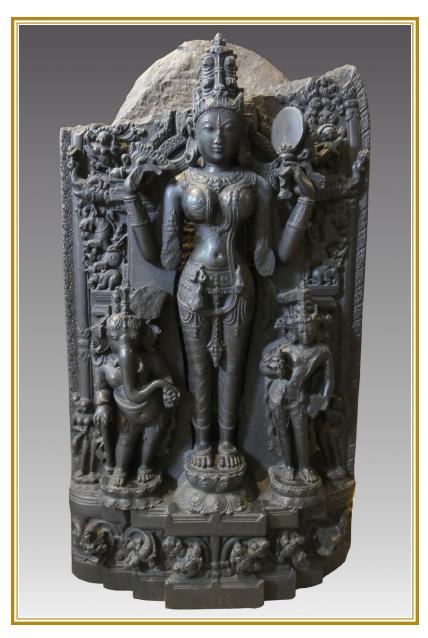
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UMĀ, THE SUPREME ENERGY OF AWARENESS

The goddess holds a mirror.

Eastern India, 11th century @ British Museum

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क्षीरोदवेलेव सफेनपुञ्जा पर्याप्तचन्द्रेव शरिचयामा। नवं नवक्षौमनिवासिनी सा भूयो बभौ दर्पणमाद्धाना।।

kṣīroda-veleva saphena-puñjā paryāpta-candreva śarat triyāmā | navaṁ nava-kṣauma-nivāsinī sā bhūyo babhau darpaṇam ādadhānā ||

Dressed in a fresh silk garment and holding a unique mirror, she appeared magnificent like the shore of the ocean of milk plentiful with foam,

or like the autumn night with the full moon.

PRAYER to GODDESS SARASVATĪ to INCREASE our INTELLIGENCE



GODDESS SARASVATĪ, THE SANSKRIT LANGUAGE PERSONIFIED

Ancient Nepali Painting of Goddess Sarasvatī © Himalayan Art Resources

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ॐ नमस्ते शारदे देवि काश्मीरपुरवासिनि । त्वामहं प्रार्थये नित्यं विद्यादानं च देहि मे ॥

om namaste śārade devi kāśmīra-pura-vāsini | tvām aham prārthaye nityam vidyā-dānam ca dehi me ||

Om Obeisance to you, O Goddess Śāradā, You who are like the Full-Moon in Autumn, You who dwell in the Region of Kaśmīr! I ever beseech you: Grant me the gift of knowledge!

