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Transliteration	The Roman line is IAST transliteration derived from the Devanagari (ā = long a, ṃ = 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	Prayer
Deity	Vishnu
Version	Common version
Tradition	Common to many traditions
Source	Traditional devotional text (common printed and recited form) — Traditional verse used in puja
Credits	Traditional; public domain.

अपवित्रः पवित्रो वा सर्वावस्थां गतोऽपि वा ।

apavitraḥ pavitro vā sarvāvasthāṃ gato'pi vā |

यः स्मरेत् पुण्डरीकाक्षं स बाह्याभ्यन्तरः शुचिः ॥

yaḥ smaret puṇḍarīkākṣaṃ sa bāhyābhyantaraḥ śuciḥ ||

Meaning

Whether impure or pure, in whatever condition one may be, whoever remembers the lotus-eyed Lord becomes pure outside and within.

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