

## **Lamp Offering prayer**

*Composed by Atisha*

May the light of this lamp illuminate the entire universe.  
May the wick of the lamp be as large as the king of mountains - Mount Meru.  
May the butter be as vast as the great oceans.  
May there be billions of lamps in the presence of each and every Buddha.

May the light illuminate the darkness of ignorance of all sentient beings  
From the peak of existence down to the most torturous hell,  
May they see clearly all the Buddhas and bodhisattvas of the ten directions and their pure lands.

## **OM VAJRA ALOKE AH HUM E MA HO**

### **Short Verse of Auspiciousness**

*The leader begins chanting:*

“All the Buddhas dwelling in the ten directions and all the Bodhisattvas and Mahasattvas”

*All chant...*

...please consider us

By this merit, may all attain omniscience.  
May it defeat the enemy, wrongdoing.  
From the stormy waves of birth, old age, sickness and death  
From the ocean of samsara, may I free all beings

The only medicine for the suffering of beings  
The source of all happiness  
May the teachings be supported, honored  
And remain for a long time

May the teachings, the only source of benefit and happiness  
Remain for a long time  
And may the victory banner of the life of the great beings who hold the teachings  
Be firmly established

May the world enjoy peace, have good harvests,  
Abundant grain, expansion of dharma,  
And glorious auspiciousness  
Accomplish whatever mind desires

By the blessings of attaining the three kayas of the Buddha,  
By the blessings of the true, unchanging dharmata,

And by the blessings of the gathering of the limitless sangha,  
May aspirations be accomplished

May the day be auspicious and may the night be auspicious  
May midday be auspicious as well.  
May day and night be auspicious.  
May the goodness of the three jewels be present.

### **Dedication**

And now as long as space endures  
And as long as there are beings to be found  
May I continue likewise to remain  
to drive away the sorrows of the world.

From *'The Bodhisattva's Way of Life'* by Shantideva

### **Dedication song**

Through all of this auspiciousness  
Wherever its light may be seen  
With the love and the compassion  
That make bodhicitta mind supreme  
May this thought arise in everyone;  
“Other beings’ happiness is as important as my own”  
And may excellent virtue and auspiciousness  
Always increase, never diminish!

Composed by Khenpo Tsultrim Gyamtso

### **Milarepa's Aspiration Song**

May we live long and be free of illness,  
Enjoy freedom, great resources, and happiness.  
Next life, may we meet in the pure realm  
May we always practice Dharma and benefit beings