

JANA GANA MANA – NATIONAL ANTHEM OF INDIA

Jana Gana Mana is the national anthem of India. It was originally composed as Bharoto Bhagyo Bidhata in Bengali by Rabindranath Tagore. The first stanza of the song Bharoto Bhagyo Bidhata was adopted by the Constituent Assembly of India as the National Anthem on 24 January 1950. A formal rendition of the national anthem takes approximately 52 seconds. It was first publicly sung on 27 December 1911 at the Calcutta (now Kolkata) Session of the Indian National Congress.

It has also made it mandatory that all the citizens of India should stand up and listen to the National Anthem. The decision is in agreement with the Indian Constitution which makes honouring the National Anthem a fundamental duty of all citizens. There are 5 Stanzas of which two are given below.

Lyrics : Stanza 1 (National Anthem of India)

Jana Gana Mana Adhinaayak Jaya Hey,
Bhaarat Bhaagya Vidhaataa
Panjaab Sindhu Gujarat Maraatha,
Draavid Utkal Banga
Vindhya Himaachal Yamuna Ganga,
Uchchhal Jaladhi Taranga
Tav Shubh Naamey Jaagey,
Tav Shubh Aashish Maange
Gaahey Tav Jayagaathaa
Jana Gana Mangal Daayak,
Jaya Hey Bhaarat Bhaagya Vidhaataa
Jaya Hey, Jaya Hey, Jaya Hey,
Jaya Jaya Jaya, Jaya Hey

Translation

O, the ruler of the minds of people, Victory be to You, dispenser of the destiny of India!

Punjab, Sindhu, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Dravida (South India), Orissa, and Bengal,
The Vindhya, the Himalayas, the Yamuna, the Ganges, and the oceans with
foaming waves all around

Wake up listening to Your auspicious name, Ask for Your auspicious blessings,
And sing to Your glorious victory.

Oh! You who impart well-being to the people!
Victory be to you, dispenser of the destiny of India!
Victory to you, victory to you, victory to you...

Stanza 2 (National Anthem of India)

Ohoroha Toba Aahbaana Prachaarita,
Suni Tab Udaar Vaani
Hindu Bauddh Shikha Jain,
Parasik Musolman Christaani
Purab Pashchim Aashey,
Tab Singhaasana Paashey
Premohaara Hawye Gaanthaa
Jana Gana Oikya Vidhaayak Jaya Hey,
Bhaarat Bhaagya Vidhaataa
Jaya Hey, Jaya Hey, Jaya Hey,
Jaya Jaya Jaya, Jaya Hey

Translation

Your call is announced continuously, we heed your gracious call
The Hindus, Buddhists, Sikhs, Jains, Parsis, Muslims and Christians,
The east and the west come, to your throne
And weave the garland of love...

Oh! You who bring in the unity of the people!
Victory be to you, dispenser of the destiny of India!