

UJALA : A TRIBUTE

(English Translation of the Poem)

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In the light of UJALA,
The lamp of freedom is to be lighted,
Fearlessly a new path is to be created.
The knowledge particles from UJALA,
Have to make the jewels of the crown.
Brought along the light of the stars and the moon,
Now we take the light of UJALA's sun.
Now, there remains not a moment of darkness,
The mist here is all cleared now.
Demystified is the knowledge platform,
Ignited by the aurora of UJALA's light.
New enthusiasm, new consciousness, new hope,
There not remains any sign of despair'
Stands the destination beholden.
Without fear every day,
A new path is to be created,
Society be without a crime,
The precedent is to be created.
Blessing we take, blessing we give,
That before every hope, every prospect,
Success of light is to be ignited.
Aglow may every part, every fraction,
The light of UJALA,
Has to be disseminated
In all directions.
Striking the cord of life,
The torch of justice has to be ignited,
With a flute on every darkness,
A new melody is to be sung in life everyday.
Till so far, were we far away
From the aurora of UJALA's light.
Filled now with zeal, ecstasy,
Willpower and faith,

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Ujala

We tread on narrow paths,
In the aurora of UJALA's light,
To create a new destination
Much is to be yet taken,
Though time is less and the journey long,
Not to stop, to keep on walking, to do,
Much remains yet.
Learnt and known that
With the particles of sand
Is to be made
The temple,
Mosque,
Gurudwara
and Church of justice.
There is the light of firefly,
With which the parts, the fractions
Of north have to be lighted.
With the aroma of the flowers
From the garden of UJALA
To be spread to every being,
Faith of UJALA is to be built.
Taking every drop of the sea of UJALA's knowledge,
With that every drop, at every destination,
A new river will be made.
Taking every drop from the UJALA's knowledge,
A new sea is to be created.
The sheath here is replete with difficulties,
And shall remain so,
Stands here every traveler on every step,
But with the ammunition from UJALA,
Piercing the armour, we have to go though,
With hope, before prospects
New history for UJALA is to be written.
Give to us, now, the blessings,
In these tearful moments.
Lightening the lamp of dedication, dignity and faith
Will never let the hope to douse
To create a new aurora of light.
Bid us farewell with smile,
So that we shall meet again always.
From darkness to light.