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Tungavidya



Tungavidya is the fifth of the ashta sakhis (eight topmost sakhis). Her complexion is the colour of kunkuma and the fragrance of her body is like sandalwood mixed with camphor. She is fifteen days younger than Srimati Radharani.

Tungavidya is hot-tempered and an expert at the art of deceiving. She wears white garments. Her parents are Puskara and Medha-devi and her husband is Balisa. She has full faith in Krishna. She is very expert at arranging the meeting of the divine couple. She is learned in rasa-sastra (transcendental mellows), niti-sastra (morality), dancing, drama, literature and all other arts and sciences.

She is a celebrated music teacher expert at playing the vina and singing in the style known as marga. Tungavidya is the leader of those gopis who are especially engaged in fetching water from the streams in Vrindavana. She is very devoted to her seva (service) of dancing, singing, etc. Her age is 14 years, 2 months and 22 days. In gaura-lila she appears as Sri Prabodhananda Sarasvati Thakura. It is also said that She appears as Vidya Vachaspati.

Some of the sakhis in Tungavidya's group are Manjumedha, Sumadhura, Sumadhya, Madhureksana, Tanumadhya, Madhusyanda, Gunacuda and Varangada.

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare
Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare

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