

Praise of the Six-Armed Lord  
Prayer to 6 Armed Mahakala

HUM!

Quick-acting Avalokita, homage to you!  
Wearing anklets, you trample Ganesha.  
Mahakala, you wear a tiger skin loincloth  
Fully adorned with snake ornaments on your six arms.

The (first) right holds a drigu (chopping-knife), the middle a mala,  
The last plays violently a damaru;  
The left hold a skull-cup, and a three-pronged lance,  
And likewise a noose, which serves for tying up.

Your wrathful mouth completely bares its fangs  
Your three eyes are fierce. The hair of your head blazes upward.  
Your forehead is properly anointed with red lead.  
On your crown, Aksobhya's royal presence is fixed.

You wear a great necklace of fifty human heads, dripping blood.  
On your crown, you are adorned with five dry, jeweled skulls.  
You come from your tree and accept our torma offering,  
Glorious Six-Arm One, homage and praise to you!

Sternly protect the doctrine of the Buddha!  
Sternly praise the height of power of the Jewels!  
For us – teachers, disciples and entourage –  
Please quell all bad conditions and obstructions,  
And grant us quickly whatever siddhis we wish!

Mantra Recitation:

OM VAJRA MAHAKALA KSHIM KSHETRA VIGHAN VINAYA TRA  
HUM HUM PHAT PHAT SVAHA