



Diwali – A herald of hope and happiness

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Vibrant day and illuminated night
an occasion of optimism and delight
victory of good, triumph of light
Diwali marks the conquest of spite.

Started as a festival to rejoice and sing
celebrating the defeat of the demon king
welcoming their prince returning from exile
country folk lit every porch, street and aisle.

Worshipping the goddess of wealth and prosperity
seeking her blessings for self and posterity
with strings of marigold adorning the doorways
and colourful rangolis displayed on the walkways.

Delectable delicacies, scrumptious sweets
radiance of smiles at the firecrackers feasts
looking their best in outfits clad
reverberating laughter, lasses and lads.



Guests invited, gifts exchanged
'tis time to talk to dear and estranged
Invaluable moments with valuable ones
Memories in multitude and joy in tonnes.