



END OF THE WORLD FIVE GREAT DELUGES

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Five stages of dissolutions called *praLaya* or deluge happens for our cosmos at different timelines were described in Hindu scriptures.

1. Regular Dissolution / *naimitya praLaya* : Regular dissolution happens only for our world of *Pu-loga* or Milky Way galaxy by the end of every *manvantara* - a timeline consists of 71 *cadur yugas*. *Cadur* means four, as such each *cadur yuga* consists of four individual *yugas* in succession as follows

***Satya yuga* or *Kruta yuga*:** consists of one million seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand (17,28,000) years;

***Treta yuga*:** consists of one million two hundred and ninety-six thousand (12,96,000) years;

***Dvapara yuga*:** consists of eight hundred and sixty-four thousand (8,64,000) years and

***kali yuga*:** consists of four hundred and thirty-two thousand (4,32,000) years.

In total each *cadur yuga* period consists of four million three hundred and twenty thousand (43, 20, 000) years.

Seventy-one successive *cadur yugas* make one *manvantara* which consists of three hundred and six million seven hundred and twenty thousand years (306, 720, 000) years in total.

Regular dissolution happens for our milky way galaxy called *pu-loga* will last for one *kruta yuga* period, which is one million seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand (17,28,000) years. Lord *Brahma* will create this galaxy again as before at the end of this period with the beginning of next *manvantara*. The current *manvantara* is *Vaivasvata manvantara*.

கிருத யுகம் எழுக மாதோ

Rise the mighty time of Kruta yuga again.

- Bharathi song

2. Daily Dissolution / *nitya praLaya*: Daily dissolution happens for three worlds – *pu-loga* or milky way galaxy, *puvar-loga* - our immediate neighbouring galaxy of andromeda galaxy and for the *swar-loga* - our next neighbouring galaxy of triangula galaxy at the end of each day of *Brahma*. This one single day time of *Brahma* consists of 1000 *cadur yugas* which is four billion and three hundred and twenty million years (4, 320, 000, 000) years is called *kalpa*.

This dissolution lasts for the whole nighttime of *Brahma*, which is equal to another 1000 *cadur yugas*. At the end of this *Brahma* will create these three universes at the beginning of the next *kalpa*. The current *kalpa* running is *Sweta varAha kalpa*.

**பசும்பொன் உலகமும் மண்ணும் பாழ்பட விசும்பில் ஊழி
ஊழும் செல்ல**

The Golden heavens and earth all get destroyed and dissolved into space at the dissolution.

-Pari Paadal, Sangam Tamil Literature

3. Mid Dissolution / *madyama praLaya*: Mid dissolution happens for all the 164 universes from the *prakriti mAya* jurisdiction once in every few trillions of years and lasts for a similar duration. As these are beyond *BrahmANda* - jurisdiction of *Brahma*, it is operated by *Sri KaNda Rudra* who resides in one of the universes in *impure mAya* worlds.

Sri KaNda Rudra, who has the similar form of *Siva* and resides on the Mount *Kailash* of his world in *arAha tatva* dissolves all these worlds including *Brahma lOga* - the abode of *Brahma* and *Vaikunda* - the abode of *VishNu*.

Sri KaNda Rudra is the hero of all our *PurANa* stories as he is considered as *Siva* and every act of him is that of *Siva*. One of our four *Saiva Samaya AachchAryas*, Saint *Sundarar* was serving him before being born in this world during 8th century CE.

4. Penultimate dissolution / *avaAntara praLaya*: The *vidya tatva* universes which are the worlds beyond our physical, chemical, and biological laws where *Sri KaNda Rudra* resides also dissolved once in many many zillions of years by *Anateswara*, another Superior representative of *Siva* with His form resides in one of the pure *mAya* worlds. This dissolution also lasted for many zillions of years before created again.

5. Ultimate / *MahA praLaya*: The final 31 multiverses of *pure mAya* which are beyond our calculations and speculations are also dissolved by the Almighty *Siva* Himself at the end.

There is nothing left alone as even the remnant ashes and bones also came on Him as there is nowhere else they could stay. This is the reason for Siva wearing ashes, bones and skulls.

All existential worlds and objects will be merged into their primordial matter *mAya* at the end. *mAya* converges into *Sakthi*. *Sakthi* witnesses *samhAra ThANdava* - the Ultimate Dissolutional Dance of *Siva* and She also merges within Him.

Siva is the Ultimate Ever Lasting One exists after all five dissolutions. This will last for a mega time period beyond our description. Everything will come back from Him and by Him in the similar order with respective Gods, Goddesses, celestials etc.

**பஞ்சப் பிரளயத்து மிஞ்சி இருப்பானடி
நஞ்சு பொதுமிடற்றான் நயனத் தழல்விழியான்.**

Blue throated fiery eyed Siva
is the One Everlasting
Beyond the five dissolutions.

- PddinattAr song