## **Forward March**

## - Mahakavi Sri Sri

The waves are rolling
The bells are tolling
The voice of another world is calling
Another another another world
Is rolling tolling calling on
Forward march
Oh onward forge
Ahead, ahead let's always surge

We reel and roll
With a song in our soul
Our galloping hearts shall reach the goal
The choice is clear
The hour is near
The voice of another world is dear
Thrilled by the call
Of the Waterfall
Of another world we march onward

Our blood in floods Shall drench all roads We leap the deep and sweep all shores Reshaping geography again Remaking history again Nor deserts nor forests nor hills nor rivers Our forward march shall halt or reverse East and west and north and south Eagles and lions and hounds of youth Attack the turrets of humbug and hoax The conservative the orthodox Shall go to the wall shall come to the dock Rotten marrowed Senile time harrowed Haggard laggards shall die on the spot And shot by shot Freedom's zealots Proud heirs of tomorrow's thought Their drizzling blood dazzling red hot With shouts of 'Om Harom Harom Storm the bastille Reaction's home And surge forward Converge skyward Lo another world a grander world The banner of liberty has unfurled

Bursting like cyclonic wind
Speedier than arrows or the speed of the mind
Blasting like the rainclouds' thunder
Yonder yonder yonder
Lo the splendour lo the wonder
Of the burning Treta light
Of another world lo there in sight

Leap leap leaping Eighty mighty Million Meru mountains roar Whirl whirl whirling Doom gloom booming Tidal waves of oceans roll Youth full blood ignites the future Youth awake is on the march Towers of new life for to catch Is this oil boiling? oh no This is a lake of blood aglow Like Niagara like Nyanza Like resistless waterfalls Bounce forward Advance onward Announce the birth of another world Hear ye not the ringing singing Drum beatings of another world?

Hail comrades denounce the useless Dust and dirt of an age gone by See before us rise the glorious Mankind's hopelit spire of fire Come like serpents Come like greyhounds Like Dhananjaya claim the world Hail the morn And sound the horn A newer truer world shall be born Then sing in chorus Lo before us there is there is another world Yonder yonder Lo the splendor And the wonder Of its faery fiery crown And the red flag of its dawn Like the ritual flame of time.

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