

Let the luminous glitters
of countless man-made lights,

of colorful Diwali candles,

bring hope in the eyes of mankind,

burn the intellectual fat of their brains,

to garner the sparks of efflorescence

and dispel the darkness and ill-will,

fill the hearts with fun, frolic and thrill,

excite with explosive thoughts,

generate festive hungama and modes,

enliven the lives with cracking jokes,

and burst open laughter chapter

dumping misery and gloomy finally after.

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