

# ማአት **maat**

**ማአት Maat** is a very important *idea* and word of principle used by ancient Kemetic (Nile Valley) civilisations and throughout their spheres of cultural influence. It is used in a physical, metaphysical and ethical (moral) sense and it means **truth, balance, harmony, right, order, justice, reciprocity, real** and other similar terms.

In the Kemetic (Ancient Egyptian) cosmology *maat* is realised as a central universal principle (**ንጥር, nt'r**) that can be used as a guide for society's way of life and an objective measure for it too. In **የጥምር ዕውቀት yeht'mr urwuk'eht** (unifiedknowledge Practice) we realise *maat* as the principle at the nucleus (heart) of our “principle, process and protocol” called **ሐሻ.ማ hashima**, which embodies our most respectful ways of being and best conduct.

The great scholar *Maulana Karenga*, in his works *The Book Of Coming Forth By Day*, presents a very clear and useful insight to *maat*. *Schools Of Unified Learning* has found this to be a good reference point when nurturing overstanding of *maat* as an integral in the *panAfrican* and *Kemetic* culture of the *unifiedknowledge approach to education*.

**ማአት** **maat is** - **Universal Order**  
- **Natural Order**  
- **Human Social Order**

Further to this it is useful to explore the fabric of these orders as **Tehuti and Maat's Wisdom** (**የቴሁ-ቴና:ማአት:ጥበብ::**), this includes:

## **አሳብና ውጤት**

• **asabna wut'et** (*cause and effect*):

All events (**effects**) are lawfully initiated (**caused at inception**). The essential reasoning (**sababu ማሳብ**) on how things come into existence.

## **እንጎማ**

• **urngoma** (*ngoma*):

1) **Vibration** (**ንቁ**); All is in motion. No thing is at rest. 2) **Rhythm** (**ውዝዋዜ**); Out and in, fall and rise, forming harmonies in poly-rhythmic realities.

## **ብርሃን ጨለማ**

• **brhan ch'ehlehma** (*light without light*):

**Universal Ka** (**የፍጥረታት:ካ::**, vital energy matrix); the *relationship* (**ግንኙነት/ዝምድና**) of *mind-energy-matter* (**አዕምሮ-ጉልበት-ነገር:: የተዋጊ:ግዛት::**) universally and in unity. In this unity we see the *potential* (**ምክር, precept, idea**) for continually advancing Self organisation which is both intelligent and transformational *creativity*.

**ብርሃን ጨለማ** also contains the principle of the *Universal Bonding Force* (**የፍጥረታት:ግንኙነት:ሃይል::** also realised as “*Universal Gravity*”)

## **ትይዩ መንታ**

• **tyiyu mehnta** (*parallel duality*):

1) **Correspondence** (**ተመሳሳይነት::**); As above so below, all planes of existence have correspondence with each other and are therefore similar in a *translatable* or *empathetic* way. 2) **Polarity** (**የዋልታዊ:ትይዩ::**); Every thing contains or is part of the *duality idea*, a dynamic of *complimentary opposites*. 3) **Gender** (**ጾታ::**); *Masculine* and *feminine* are intrinsic in all things and on all planes of existence. This is fundamental in *creation*, generation and regeneration.