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Significance of offering vada mala to Lord Hanuman:

When Hanuman was a child, he took a liking to look at the Sun blazing in the Sky. He didn't stop with that. He went on to catch the Sun with his hand.



At the same time, 'Rahu Devatha' was also racing to catch the Sun God to eclipse the Sun.

In the race between Hanuman and Rahu, Hanuman, being the Son of Vayu, the Wind God (Vayuputhra) won with ease.

In appreciation of Hanuman's valor, Rahu Deva sanctioned a boon in whoever worshiped Hanuman with a food item made of Urad Dal, will get relieved from 'Rahu Dosha' or that Rahu Graha will not trouble them anymore.

Further the item offered to Hanuman should be in the form of a garland or bent like a serpent which is how 'Rahu God' appears.

Rahu also admitted that Urad Dal is his favorite cereal and food item prepared with Urad Dal is to his immense liking.