

28. In the morning the enthusiastic people began to play on different kinds of musical instruments.

29. Viṣṇu and the other gods got up with joy, remembered the lord of gods and excitedly got ready.

30. They got their vehicles ready for the departure to Kailāsa and sent Dharma to Śiva.

31. At the bidding of Viṣṇu, Dharma went near the bed chamber. The Yogin Dharma addressed Śiva, the lord of Yogins, in a manner befitting the context.

*Dharma said:—*

32. Get up, get up O Śiva, O lord of the Pramathas. Please come over to the audience hall. Make the assembled people gratified.

*Brahmā said:—*

33. On hearing these words of Dharma lord Śiva laughed. He surveyed him with sympathetic looks and got up from the bed.

34. He laughingly said to Dharma—“You go ahead. I shall come there presently. There is no doubt in this matter.

35. Thus addressed by Śiva, he returned to the audience hall. The lord Śiva too wanted to go.

36. On coming to know of it the ladies came enthusiastically. With their eyes fixed on the feet of Śiva, they sang auspicious songs.

37. Śiva then, in accordance with the worldly customs, went through his morning routine. He took leave of Menā and the mountain and went to the audience hall.

38. There was great jubilation there, O sage. Vedic mantras were recited loudly. The people played on the four kinds of musical instruments.

39. Śiva came to His apartment and bowed to the sages, Viṣṇu and me in accordance with the worldly conventions and was saluted by the gods and others.

40. Shouts of Victory and Obeisance rose up along with the auspicious sound of Vedic chants. There was great tumult.