on earth becomes prosperous and auspicious. Again, all the activities in life can be converted into Yajna by the knowing ones. The how of it is being explained now:—

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अञ्चाद्भवन्ति भूतानि पर्जन्यादञ्जसम्भवः ।
यज्ञाञ्जवि पर्जन्यो यज्ञः कर्मसमुद्भवः ॥ १४
वन्नात भवन्ति भूतानि पर्जन्यात अन्न-सन्भवः ।
यज्ञात भवति पर्जन्यः यज्ञः कर्म-सा-उद्य-भवः ॥

annād bhavanti bhūtāni parjanyād annasambhavah 1 yajñād bhavati parjanyo yajñah karmasamudbhavah 11

अन्तात् annāt from food भवन्ति bhavanti come forth भूताति bhūtāni beings पर्जन्यात् parjanyāt from rain अन्नसंभवः annasambhavah production of food यज्ञात् yajñāt from sacrifice भवति bhavati arises पर्जन्यः parjanyāh rain यज्ञः yajñāt sacrifice भर्मसमुद्भवः karmasamudbhavah born of action

From food beings become; from rain is food produced; from Yajna rain proceeds; Yajna is born of karma.

Work performed with the right frame of mind gets converted into Yajna. The effect of that work assumes a subtle force which in the Vedic parlance is known as apūrva. This point can be clarified through two concrete examples. The sun converts the sea water into the invisible vapour which is equivalent to apūrva. In its turn the vapour becomes rain. The rubbish consigned to fire changes itself into the invisible carbon dioxide. It is apūrva in this state. It then forms food to the plants