their exile But the exuberance of their wisdom was in no way affected even for a moment by those ordeals

- Sri Ramakrishna

## तं विद्यादुदुःखसंयोगवियोगं योगसंज्ञितम् । स निश्चयेन योक्तव्यो योगोऽनिर्विण्णचेतसा ॥ २३

तम् बिद्-यात् दुः संयोग वियोगम् योग-सङ्गितम् । त निस्-चयेन योज् तथ्य योग ध-निर्-विण्ण चेतमा ॥

tam vidyād duhkhasamyogaviyogam yogasamjñitam i sa niscayena yoktavyo yogo 'nirvinna cetasā ii

तम् tam that विद्यात् vidyāt let (him) know हु समयोग वियोगम् dilikkla samyoga viyogam a state of severance from union with pain योगसिहितम् yoga samjītam called yoga स sah that निश्चयेन mscayena with determination योक्ट्य yoktavyah should be practised योग yogah yoga अनिर्विष्णचेतसा anirvinna cetasā with undesponding mind

Let this disconnection from union with pain be known by the name of yoga. This yoga should be practised with determination and with an undistracted mind. 23

Bliss is the real nature of man. It is because of ignorance that he courts misery and suffers under its weight. When this assumed state of affair is alienated, he beams in his original bliss again. This act is like rousing up a man from the pangs of a dreadful dream and putting him again in his wakeful state. The meaning of yoga is to yoke one with one's supreme nature. There is no justification for anybody to invite sorrow on himself. That person who makes himself over to affliction is unfit for yoga. He who takes to yoga with buoyancy of