अ-शास्त्र-चि-हितम् घोरम् तप्यन्ते ये तप जना ।
इम्भ-श्रह्म्-श्रास्-मुक्ताः शाम-राग-वज्ञ-श्रम्तता ॥
वर्षायन्त शरीर-स्थम् भूत प्रामम् अयेतसः ।
माम् च एव सन्त शरीर-स्थम् तान् विद्-(हि)ध-श्राप्तर-विश्वयान् ॥
asāstravihitam ghoram tapyante ye tapo janāḥ ।
dambhāhankāra samyuk (āḥ kāma rāga balānvitāḥ !!
karsayantaḥ sarīrastham bhūtagrāmam acetasaḥ !
mām cai 'yā'ntahsarīrastham tān viddhy āsuraniscayān

अशास्त्रविहित्तम् asāstra vilutam not enjoined by the scripture घोरम् ghoram terrific तप्यन्ते tapyante practise वे ye who तप tapah austerity जना janāḥ men वस्भ अहंकार समुक्ता dambha ahamkāra samyuktāḥ given to hypocrisy and egoism कामरानाचछ अन्विता. kāma rāga bala anvitāḥ by the force of lust and attachment

क्श्रेयन्त: karsayantah torturing इरिस्थिम् sarirastham in the body भूतप्रामम् bhāta grāmam all the elements अचेतस: acetasah senseless माम् mām me च ca and एव eva even अन्त शरीरस्थम् antah sarira stham who dwells in the body तान् tān them विद्धि viddhi know आसुरनिश्चयान् āsira niscayān to be of demoniac resolve

Those men who practise violent austerities not enjoined by the scriptures, given to hypocrisy and egoism, impelled by the force of lust and attachment.

Fools that they are, they torture their bodily organs, and Me, too, who dwell within the body—know that they are Asurika in their resolve.

The austerities practised by the Asurika people are in no way pleasing to themselves. Bare-bodied they lie on spikes. While keeping one hand always