

A river assumes the characteristics of the sea as it flows to its proximity. Before the *Jivatman* merges into the Nirguna Brahman he gets a panoramic view and realization of Iswara. While the multitudinous beings seem to have their own individualities, they are actually part and parcel of the Cosmic Entity. There is nothing outside the pale of Iswara. Not an atom can move independent of Iswara. One Supreme Purusha puts on the role of the innumerable.

As long as there is a trace of egoism in me I see Iswara as the Owner of the universe and all the beings in it

— Sri Ramakrishna

सर्वेन्द्रियगुणाभासं सर्वेन्द्रियविवर्जितम् ।

असक्तं सर्वभृच्चैव निर्गुणं गुणभोक्तृ च ॥ १४

सर्व-इन्द्रिय-गुण-भासम् सर्व-इन्द्रिय-वि-वर्जितम् ।

असक्तम् सर्वं भृत् च एव निर्-गुणम् गुण-भोक्तृ च ॥

*sarvendriya gunābhāsam sarvendriya vivarjitam ।*

*asaktam sarvabhṛt ca 'va nirgunam gunabhoktr ca ॥*

सर्वे इन्द्रिय गुण आभासम् *sarva indriya guna ābhāsam* shining by the functions of all senses सर्वे इन्द्रियविवर्जितम् *sarva indriya vivarjitam* without the senses असक्तम् *asaktam* unattached सर्वभृत् *sarvabhṛt* supporting all च *ca* and एव *eva* even निर्गुणम् *nirgunam* devoid of Gunas गुणभोक्तृ *gunabhoktr* experiencer of the Gunas च *ca* and

Shining by the functions of all the senses, yet without the senses; Absolute, yet sustaining all; devoid of Gunas, yet, He experiences them. 14

The sunlight enables us to see colourful forms in their true perspective. It may be said that the sunlight reveals itself as the interpreter of all forms