

51. In the ridge of this mountain, on the banks of this river Candrabhāgā, Medhātithi is performing a great penance in his hermitage.

52. You go there unobserved by the sages. Thanks to my favour, you will become his fire-born daughter.

53. If you have chosen in your mind a desirable bridegroom as your husband, you shall think of him while you consign your body into the fire.

54-55. O Sandhyā, while you were performing severe penance—which had lasted for four yugas—in the earlier part of Tretā Yuga, after the Kṛta Yuga had elapsed, Dakṣa had begotten many chaste daughters who were also duly married.

56. He gave twenty seven of his daughters to the moon in marriage. But the moon had a special liking for only Rohiṇī and he neglected others.

57-59. Hence, the moon was cursed by Dakṣa, the redemption being, when he sees the Ether he would find her there. At that time the Gods had come near you but since you were having your mind fixed in me, the Gods in the company of Brahmā were not seen by you. The river Candrabhāgā arose being created by Brahmā for the redemption of the moon from the curse. It was then that Medhātithi arrived here.

60. There is none equal to him in penance. There has never been such a person, nor will there ever be one. He has now started the sacrifice of Jyotiṣṭoma of many great rites.

61. In that blazing sacrificial fire you shall cast off your body. You are pure now. May your other desires be also fulfilled.

62. O Hermitess, these things have been ordained by me for my own end. O fortunate woman, do as I instruct you. Go to the sacrifice of that sage.

Thus after instructing her for her welfare the lord vanished from the scene.