

ed जनकादय *janakādayah* Janaka and others लोकसमग्रम् *lokasamgraham* protection of the people एव अपि *eva api* only संपश्यन् *sampasyan* having in view कर्तुम् *kartum* to perform अर्हसि *arhasi* thou shouldst

Janaka and others indeed achieved perfection by action; having an eye to the guidance of men also you should perform action. 20

Raja-rishis such as Janaka and Asvapati were engaged in the active and efficient administration of their kingdoms. Incidentally they took part in several other activities conducive to people's welfare. But their aim in life was more than that. They diligently applied themselves to Self-knowledge and got it.

There is an additional advantage in the spiritually enlightened taking to altruistic work. The ignorant cannot guide society any more than the blind lead the blind. But the enlightened are the best servants of society. The nature of karma is also very well known to them. Efficient work on right lines can be turned out by them. Following in their wake, ordinary men set themselves to their duties in all earnestness. Taking this important factor into account, the elite should ever engage themselves in the discharge of their dharma to the best of their ability.

The world goes its way waiting for guidance from nobody. A pertinent question may therefore be put whether concern for the world is not a self-created problem. This doubt is hereby met —