

"harbouring deep and long (*deergha*) vengeance against others (*sootra*)," which is also not inappropriate in the context of the thought development in this stanza.

Thus, one who is unsteady, vulgar, arrogant, deceitful, malicious, indolent, despondent and procrastinating, belongs to the 'dullest' type of "agents" available in the fields of human endeavour. This and the two preceding stanzas provide us with three beautifully framed mental pictures, bringing out in all details the *Sattwic*, the *Rajasic* and the *Tamasic* types of "doers" available in the world. As we have already emphasised these pictures are NOT yardsticks to classify OTHERS, but are meant for the seekers to observe themselves. Whenever a true seeker discovers symptoms of *Tamas* and *Rajas* growing in him he should take notice of them at once and consciously strive to regain his *Sattwic* beauty.

ACCORDING TO THE PREDOMINATING GUNA, "UNDERSTANDING" AND "FORTITUDE" ALSO CAN FALL UNDER A THREE-FOLD CLASSIFICATION --- SAYS KRISHNA:

29. Hear (you) the three-fold division of "understanding" and "fortitude" (made) according to the qualities, as I declare them fully and severally, O Dhananjaya.

'Work,' no doubt, is constituted of the three factors: the "knowledge," the "action" and the "actor." Each of these