

ye three sisters are foolish, bereft of wisdom and ignorant of the essence of the Vedas.

21. You did not stand up nor did you pay any respects to us. You were haughty and deluded and so evinced a deluded disposition of human beings. Hence all of you shall leave heaven.

22. May the three sisters deluded by ignorance be born as human womenfolk. May ye reap this fruit as a result of the power of your own action.

*Brahmā said :—*

23. On hearing this, the chaste maidens got perplexed. The three fell at his feet and spoke with their heads bent down.

*The daughters of the forefathers said :—*

24. “O excellent sage, ocean of mercy, be pleased now. Because we were mentally confounded we did not bow to you.

25. O Brahmin, the result thereof has been achieved by us. O great sage it is not your fault. Bless us now whereby we shall regain heavenly abode again.”

*Brahmā said :—*

26. On hearing their words, O dear, the sage spoke to them. He had been induced by Śiva’s illusion to give them redemption from the curse. He was a bit consoled.

*Sanatkumāra said :—*

27. “O ye three daughters of forefathers, listen with pleasure to my words that will dispel your sorrow and bestow happiness on you.

28. May the eldest among you become the wife of Himavat the mountain that is a part of Viṣṇu. Pārvatī shall be her daughter.

29. The second daughter Dhanyā shall be the Yoginī, the wife of Janaka. Her daughter shall be Mahālakṣmī in the name of Sītā.

30. The youngest Kalāvati shall be the wife of the Vaiśya—Vṛṣabhāna. At the end of Dvāpara, Rādhā shall be