

The mountains said:—

36. O mountain, be firm and stand by your decision to give your daughter. If you say “No”, you stand to lose. We speak the truth. Do not hesitate. Let the girl be given to Śiva.

Brahmā said:—

37. On hearing the words of his friends, Himavat urged by Brahmā gave his daughter to Śiva.

38. “O lord Śiva, I am giving this girl, my daughter to you as your wife. O lord of all, be pleased to accept her.”

39. Himavat gave his daughter Pārvatī, the mother of the three worlds, to Śiva the great, repeating the mantra “Tasmai Rudrāya Mahate”.

40. Placing the hand of Pārvatī in the hand of Śiva the mountain rejoiced much mentally. He had the satisfaction of crossing the ocean of his ambition.

41. Śiva grasped the lotus-like hand of Pārvatī in his hand repeating the Vedic mantras. Lord Śiva was greatly delighted.

42. Touching the ground and showing the worldly course of action, O sage, Śiva recited the mantra “Kāmasya Kodāt”.¹¹⁰

43. There was a great jubilation everywhere that gladdened everyone. Cries of “Victory” rose up in the heaven, the earth and the sky.

44. The delighted people shouted “Well done” and “Obeisance to you”. The Gandharvas sang sweetly with pleasure. The celestial damsels danced.

45. The citizens, the subjects of Himavat rejoiced in their minds. There was great auspicious jubilation.

46. Viṣṇu, Indra, I and the gods were delighted, with the faces beaming like full blown lotuses.

47. Then the gleeful lord of mountains gave the ancillary articles of present to Śiva in a fitting manner.

48. Then his kinsmen worshipped Śiva with devotion

110. VS. 7.48. The mantra begins with कोऽदात् करमा अदात्