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#### Abbreviations used in the text

A	Aṅguttara Nikāya	M	Majjhima Nikāya
Cv	Cullavagga	Mv	Mahāvagga
D	Dīgha Nikāya	Pr	Pārājika
Dhp	Dhammapada	Pv	Parivāra
DhpA	Dhammapada	Snp	Sutta Nipāta
	Aṭṭhakathā	Sp	Samantapāsādikā
DhsA	Dhammasaṅganī	S	Saṃyutta Nikāya
	Aṭṭhakathā	Thī	Therīgāthā
It	Itivuttaka	Th	Theragāthā
Ja	Jātaka	Ud	Udāna
Khp	Khuddakapāṭha	Vin	Vinaya Piṭaka
Kv	Kaṅkhāvitaraṇī	Vism	Visuddhimagga

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Adāsi me akāsi me
Addhuvaṃ jīvitaṃ
Aggato ve pasannānam
Ahaṃ sukhito homi niddukkho homi
Ajja mayā apaccavekkhitvā yam cīvaram
$\bar{A}$ k $\bar{a}$ satth $\bar{a}$ ca bhummatth $\bar{a}$
Ānāpānassati bhikkhave bhāvitā bahulīkatā
Aneka-jāti-saṃsāraṃ sandhāvissaṃ anibbisaṃ
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#### PART I

## ESSENTIAL CHANTS

# 1. MORNING CHANTING

#### **Dedication of Offerings**

[Yo so] bhagavā arahaṃ sammāsambuddho
Svākkhāto yena bhagavatā dhammo
Supaṭipanno yassa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Tam-mayaṃ bhagavantaṃ sadhammaṃ sasaṅghaṃ
Imehi sakkārehi yathārahaṃ āropitehi abhipūjayāma
Sādhu no bhante bhagavā sucira-parinibbutopi
Pacchimā-janatānukampa-mānasā
Ime sakkāre duggata-paṇṇākāra-bhūte paṭiggaṇhātu
Amhākaṃ dīgharattaṃ hitāya sukhāya
Arahaṃ sammāsambuddho bhagavā
Buddhaṃ bhagavantaṃ abhivādemi
[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo
Dhammaṃ namassāmi
[Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Saṅghaṃ namāmi

#### **Dedication of Offerings (English)**

To the Blessed One, the Lord,
who fully attained perfect enlightenment,
To the Teaching which he expounded so well,
And to the Blessed One's disciples who have practised well,

To these — the Buddha, the Dhamma, and the Saṅgha — We render with offerings our rightful homage.

It is well for us that the Blessed One, having attained liberation, Still had compassion for later generations.

May these simple offerings be accepted
For our long-lasting benefit and for the happiness it gives us.

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One — I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

The Teaching so completely explained by him — I bow to the Dhamma.

The Blessed One's disciples who have practised well — I bow to the Saṅgha.

#### **Preliminary Homage**

[Handa mayaṃ buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhāga-namakāraṃ karomase]

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa (×3)

#### Preliminary Homage (English)

[Now let us pay preliminary homage to the Buddha.]

Homage to the Blessed, Noble, and Perfectly Enlightened One. (×3)

#### Homage to the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhābhitthutim karomase]

Yo so tathāgato arahaṃ sammāsambuddho Vijjācaraṇa-sampanno sugato lokavidū Anuttaro purisadamma-sārathi Satthā deva-manussānaṃ buddho bhagavā

Yo imam lokam sadevakam samārakam sabrahmakam Sassamaṇa-brāhmaṇim pajam sadeva-manussam sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā pavedesi Yo dhammam desesi ādi-kalyāṇam majjhe-kalyāṇam pariyosāna-kalyāṇam Sāttham sabyañjanam kevala-paripuṇṇam parisuddham brahma-cariyam pakāsesi Tam-aham bhagavantam abhipūjayāmi Tam-aham bhagavantam sirasā namāmi

#### Homage to the Buddha (English)

[Now let us chant in praise of the Buddha.]

The Tathāgata is the Pure One, the Perfectly Enlightened One. He is impeccable in conduct and understanding, The Accomplished One, The Knower of the Worlds. He trains perfectly those who wish to be trained. He is Teacher of gods and humans. He is awake and holy.

In this world with its gods, demons, and kind spirits, Its seekers and sages, celestial and human beings, he has by deep insight revealed the Truth.

He has pointed out the Dhamma: beautiful in the beginning, beautiful in the middle, beautiful in the end.

He has explained the Spiritual Life of complete purity in its essence and conventions.

I chant my praise to the Blessed One, I bow my head to the Blessed One.

#### Homage to the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammābhitthutim karomase]

Yo so svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo Sandiṭṭhiko akāliko ehipassiko opanayiko Paccattaṃ veditabbo viññūhi Tam-ahaṃ dhammaṃ abhipūjayāmi Tam-ahaṃ dhammaṃ sirasā namāmi

#### Homage to the Dhamma (English)

[Now let us chant in praise of the Dhamma.]

The Dhamma is well expounded by the Blessed One, Apparent here and now, Timeless, Encouraging investigation, Leading inwards, To be experienced individually by the wise.

I chant my praise to this Teaching, I bow my head to this Truth.

#### Homage to the Sangha

[Handa mayam saṅghābhitthutim karomase]

Yo so supaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ujupaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ñāyapaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Sāmīcipaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Yadidaṃ cattāri purisayugāni aṭṭha purisapuggalā
Esa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjali-karaṇīyo
Anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassa
Tam-ahaṃ saṅghaṃ abhipūjayāmi
Tam-ahaṃ saṅghaṃ sirasā namāmi

#### Homage to the Sangha (English)

[Now let us chant in praise of the Sangha.]

They are the Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well, Who have practised directly,
Who have practised insightfully,
Those who practise with integrity —
That is the four pairs, the eight kinds of noble beings —
These are the Blessed One's disciples.
Such ones are worthy of gifts,
Worthy of hospitality,

Worthy of offerings,
Worthy of respect;
They give occasion for incomparable goodness to arise in the world.

I chant my praise to this Saṅgha, I bow my head to this Saṅgha.

#### Salutation to the Triple Gem

[Handa mayaṃ ratanattaya-paṇāma-gāthāyo c'eva saṃvega-parikittana-pāṭhañca bhaṇāmase]

Buddho susuddho karunā-mahannavo Yo'ccanta-suddhabbara-ñāna-locano Lokassa pāpūpakilesa-ghātako Vandāmi buddham aham-ādarena tam Dhammo padīpo viya tassa satthuno Yo magga-pākāmata-bheda-bhinnako Lokuttaro yo ca tad-attha-dīpano Vandāmi dhammam aham-ādarena tam Sangho sukhettābhyati-khetta-sannito Yo dittha-santo sugatānubodhako Lolappahīno ariyo sumedhaso Vandāmi saṅgham aham-ādarena tam Iccevam-ekantabhipūja-neyyakam vatthuttayam vandayatābhisankhatam Puññam mayā yam mama sabbupaddavā mā hontu ve tassa pabhāva-siddhiyā

Idha tathāgato loke uppanno arahaṃ sammāsambuddho Dhammo ca desito niyyāniko upasamiko parinibbāniko sambodhagāmī sugatappavedito Mayan-taṃ dhammaṃ sutvā evaṃ jānāma

Jātipi dukkhā
Jarāpi dukkhā
Maraṇampi dukkhaṃ
Soka-parideva-dukkha-domanass'upāyāsāpi dukkhā
Appiyehi sampayogo dukkho
Piyehi vippayogo dukkho
Yamp'icchaṃ na labhati tampi dukkhaṃ
Saṅkhittena pañcupādānakkhandhā dukkhā

Seyyathīdaṃ Rūpūpādānakkhandho Vedanūpādānakkhandho Saññūpādānakkhandho Saṅkhārūpādānakkhandho Viññāṇūpādānakkhandho

Yesaṃ pariññāya Dharamāno so bhagavā evaṃ bahulaṃ sāvake vineti Evaṃ bhāgā ca panassa bhagavato sāvakesu anusāsanī bahulā pavattati

Rūpaṃ aniccaṃ Vedanā aniccā Saññā aniccā Saṅkhārā aniccā Viññāṇaṃ aniccaṃ Rūpaṃ anattā Vedanā anattā Saññā anattā Saṅkhārā anattā Viññāṇaṃ anattā Sabbe saṅkhārā aniccā Sabbe dhammā anattā'ti

Te mayam otinnāmha jātiyā jarā-maranena Sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi Dukkhotinnā dukkha-paretā Appeva nāmimassa kevalassa dukkha-kkhandhassa antakiriyā paññāyethā'ti

Cira-parinibbutampi taṃ bhagavantaṃ uddissa arahantaṃ sammāsambuddhaṃ
Saddhā agārasmā anagāriyaṃ pabbajitā
Tasmiṃ bhagavati brahma-cariyaṃ carāma
Bhikkhūnaṃ/Sīladharānaṃ sikkhāsājīva-samāpannā
Taṃ no brahma-cariyaṃ imassa kevalassa dukkha-kkhandhassa antakiriyāya saṃvattatu

#### Salutation to the Triple Gem (English)

[Now let us chant our salutation to the Triple Gem and a passage to arouse urgency.]

The Buddha, absolutely pure, with ocean-like compassion, Possessing the clear sight of wisdom, Destroyer of worldly self-corruption —

Devotedly indeed, that Buddha I revere.

The Teaching of the Lord, like a lamp,

Illuminating the Path and its Fruit: the Deathless,

That which is beyond the conditioned world —

Devotedly indeed, that Dhamma I revere.

The Sangha, the most fertile ground for cultivation,

Those who have realized peace, awakened after the

Accomplished One,

Noble and wise, all longing abandoned —

Devotedly indeed, that Sangha I revere.

This salutation should be made to that which is worthy.

Through the power of such good action,

may all obstacles disappear.

One who knows things as they are has come into this world; and he is an Arahant, a perfectly Awakened being,

Purifying the way leading out of delusion, calming and directing to perfect peace, and leading to enlightenment — this Way he has made known.

Having heard the Teaching, we know this:

Birth is dukkha,

Ageing is dukkha,

And death is dukkha;

Sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair are dukkha;

Association with the disliked is dukkha;

Separation from the liked is dukkha;

Not attaining one's wishes is dukkha.

In brief, the five focuses of identity are dukkha.

These are as follows:

Attachment to form,

Attachment to feeling,

Attachment to perception,

Attachment to mental formations,

Attachment to sense-consciousness.

For the complete understanding of this,

The Blessed One in his lifetime frequently instructed his disciples in just this way.

In addition, he further instructed:

Form is impermanent,

Feeling is impermanent,

Perception is impermanent,

Mental formations are impermanent,

Sense-consciousness is impermanent;

Form is not-self,

Feeling is not-self,

Perception is not-self,

Mental formations are not-self,

Sense-consciousness is not-self;

All conditions are transient,

There is no self in the created or the uncreated.

All of us are bound by birth, ageing, and death,

By sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair,

Bound by dukkha and obstructed by dukkha.

Let us all aspire to complete freedom from suffering.

The following is chanted only by the monks and nuns.

Remembering the Blessed One, the Noble Lord, and Perfectly Enlightened One, who long ago attained Parinibbāna, We have gone forth with faith from home to homelessness, And like the Blessed One, we practise the Holy Life, Being fully equipped with the bhikkhus'/nuns' system of training. May this Holy Life lead us to the end of this whole mass of suffering.

An alternative version of the preceding section, which can be chanted by laypeople as well.

The Blessed One, who long ago attained Parinibbāna, is our refuge. So too are the Dhamma and the Saṅgha.

Attentively we follow the pathway of that Blessed One, with all of our mindfulness and strength.

May then the cultivation of this practice Lead us to the end of every kind of suffering.

#### **Closing Homage**

[Araham] sammāsambuddho bhagavā Buddham bhagavantam abhivādemi [Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo Dhammam namassāmi [Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho Saṅgham namāmi

#### **Closing Homage (English)**

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One — I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

The Teaching, so completely explained by him — I bow to the Dhamma.

The Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well — I bow to the Saṅgha.

## 2. EVENING CHANTING

#### **Dedication of Offerings**

[Yo so] bhagavā arahaṃ sammāsambuddho
Svākkhāto yena bhagavatā dhammo
Supaṭipanno yassa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Tam-mayaṃ bhagavantaṃ sadhammaṃ sasaṅghaṃ
Imehi sakkārehi yathārahaṃ āropitehi abhipūjayāma
Sādhu no bhante bhagavā sucira-parinibbutopi
Pacchimā-janatānukampa-mānasā
Ime sakkāre duggata-paṇṇākāra-bhūte paṭiggaṇhātu
Amhākaṃ dīgharattaṃ hitāya sukhāya
Arahaṃ sammāsambuddho bhagavā
Buddhaṃ bhagavantaṃ abhivādemi
[Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo
Dhammaṃ namassāmi
[Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho

#### **Dedication of Offerings (English)**

Sangham namāmi

[To the Blessed One,] the Lord, who fully attained perfect enlightenment,

To the Teaching, which he expounded so well,

And to the Blessed One's disciples who have practised well,

To these — the Buddha, the Dhamma, and the Saṅgha —

We render with offerings our rightful homage.

It is well for us that the Blessed One, having attained liberation,

Still had compassion for later generations.

May these simple offerings be accepted

For our long-lasting benefit and for the happiness it gives us.

The Lord, the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One —

I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

[The Teaching,] so completely explained by him — I bow to the Dhamma.

[The Blessed One's disciples,] who have practised well — I bow to the Saṅgha.

#### **Preliminary Homage**

[Handa mayaṃ buddhassa bhagavato pubbabhāga-namakāraṃ karomase]

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa (×3)

## Preliminary Homage (English)

[Now let us pay preliminary homage to the Buddha.]

Homage to the Blessed, Noble, and Perfectly Enlightened One. (×3)

#### Recollection of the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhānussatinayam karomase]

Taṃ kho pana bhagavantaṃ evaṃ kalyāṇo kittisaddo abbhuggato Itipi so bhagavā arahaṃ sammāsambuddho Vijjācaraṇa-sampanno sugato lokavidū Anuttaro purisadamma-sārathi satthā deva-manussānaṃ buddho bhagavā'ti

## Recollection of the Buddha (English)

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Buddha.]

A good word of the Blessed One's reputation has spread as follows:

He, the Blessed One, is indeed the Pure One,
 the Perfectly Enlightened One;

He is impeccable in conduct and understanding,
 the Accomplished One, the Knower of the Worlds;

He trains perfectly those who wish to be trained;
 he is Teacher of gods and humans; he is Awake and Holy.

## Supreme Praise of the Buddha

[Handa mayam buddhābhigītim karomase]

Buddh'vārahanta-varatādiguṇābhiyutto Suddhābhiñāṇa-karuṇāhi samāgatatto Bodhesi yo sujanataṃ kamalaṃ va sūro Vandām'ahaṃ tam-araṇaṃ sirasā jinendaṃ Buddho yo sabba-pāṇīnaṃ saraṇaṃ khemam-uttamaṃ Paṭhamānussatiṭṭhānaṃ vandāmi taṃ siren'ahaṃ Buddhassāh'asmi dāso/dāsī va buddho me sāmi-kissaro Buddho dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me Buddhass'āhaṃ niyyādemi sarīrañ-jīvitañ-cidaṃ Vandanto'haṃ/Vandantī'haṃ carissāmi

buddhass'eva subodhitam Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena vaḍḍheyyaṃ satthu-sāsane Buddhaṃ me vandamānena/vandamānāya yaṃ puññaṃ pasutaṃ idha Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesum tassa tejasā

(Bowing)

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Buddhe kukammaṃ pakataṃ mayā yaṃ Buddho paṭiggaṇhātu accayantaṃ Kālantare saṃvarituṃ va buddhe

## Supreme Praise of the Buddha (English)

[Now let us chant the supreme praise of the Buddha.]

The Buddha, the truly worthy one, endowed with such excellent qualities,

Whose being is composed of purity, transcendental wisdom, and compassion,

Who has enlightened the wise like the sun awakening the lotus — I bow my head to that peaceful chief of conquerors.

The Buddha, who is the safe, secure refuge of all beings — As the First Object of Recollection,

I venerate him with bowed head.

I am indeed the Buddha's servant,

the Buddha is my Lord and Guide.

The Buddha is sorrow's destroyer, who bestows blessings on me.

To the Buddha I dedicate this body and life,

And in devotion I will walk the Buddha's Path of Awakening.

For me there is no other refuge, the Buddha is my excellent refuge.

By the utterance of this Truth, may I grow in the Master's Way.

By my devotion to the Buddha, and the blessing of this practice — By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

(Bowing)

By body, speech, or mind,
For whatever wrong action I have committed towards the Buddha,
May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,

That in future there may be restraint regarding the Buddha.

#### Recollection of the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammānussatinayam karomase]

Svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo Sandiṭṭhiko akāliko ehipassiko Opanayiko paccattaṃ veditabbo viññūhī'ti

## Recollection of the Dhamma (English)

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Dhamma.]

The Dhamma is well expounded by the Blessed One, Apparent here and now, timeless, encouraging investigation, Leading inwards, to be experienced individually by the wise.

#### Supreme Praise of the Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhammābhigītim karomase]

Svākkhātat'ādiguṇa-yoga-vasena seyyo
Yo magga-pāka-pariyatti-vimokkha-bhedo
Dhammo kuloka-patanā tada-dhāri-dhārī
Vandām'ahaṃ tama-haraṃ vara-dhammam-etaṃ
Dhammo yo sabba-pāṇīnaṃ saraṇaṃ khemam-uttamaṃ
Dutiyānussatiṭṭhānaṃ vandāmi taṃ siren'ahaṃ
Dhammassāh'asmi dāso/dāsī va dhammo me sāmi-kissaro
Dhammo dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me
Dhammass'āhaṃ niyyādemi sarīrañ-jīvitañ-cidaṃ
Vandantohaṃ/Vandantīhaṃ carissāmi
dhammass'eva sudhammataṃ

dhammass'eva sudhammatam Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ dhammo me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena vaḍḍheyyaṃ satthu-sāsane Dhammaṃ me vandamānena/vandamānāya yaṃ puññaṃ pasutaṃ idha Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesuṃ tassa tejasā

#### (Bowing)

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Dhamme kukammam pakatam mayā yam Dhammo paṭiggaṇhātu accayantam Kālantare saṃvaritum va dhamme

## Supreme Praise of the Dhamma (English)

[Now let us chant the supreme praise of the Dhamma.]

It is excellent because it is 'well expounded,'

And it can be divided into Path and Fruit, Learning and Liberation. The Dhamma holds those who uphold it from falling into delusion.

I revere the excellent Teaching, that which removes darkness — The Dhamma, which is the supreme, secure refuge of all beings —

As the Second Object of Recollection,

I venerate it with bowed head.

I am indeed the Dhamma's servant,

the Dhamma is my Lord and Guide.

The Dhamma is sorrow's destroyer, and it bestows blessings on me.

To the Dhamma I dedicate this body and life,

And in devotion I will walk this excellent way of Truth.

For me there is no other refuge,

the Dhamma is my excellent refuge.

By the utterance of this Truth, may I grow in the Master's Way.

By my devotion to the Dhamma, and the blessing of this practice — By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

#### (Bowing)

By body, speech, or mind,

For whatever wrong action I have committed
towards the Dhamma,

May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,

That in future there may be restraint regarding the Dhamma.

#### Recollection of the Sangha

[Handa mayam sanghānussatinayam karomase]

Supaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ujupaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Ñāyapaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Sāmīcipaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Yadidaṃ cattāri purisayugāni aṭṭha purisapuggalā
Esa bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho
Āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjali-karaṇīyo
Anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassā'ti

## Recollection of the Sangha (English)

[Now let us chant the recollection of the Sangha.]

They are the Blessed One's disciples, who have practised well, Who have practised directly, Who have practised insightfully, Those who practise with integrity — That is the four pairs, the eight kinds of noble beings — These are the Blessed One's disciples.

Such ones are worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality, worthy of offerings, worthy of respect;

They give occasion for incomparable goodness to arise in the world.

## Supreme Praise of the Sangha

[Handa mayam saṅghābhigītim karomase]

Saddhammajo supaṭipatti-guṇādiyutto
Yo'ṭṭhabbidho ariyapuggala-saṅgha-seṭṭho
Sīlādidhamma-pavarāsaya-kāya-citto
Vandām'ahaṃ tam-ariyāna-gaṇaṃ susuddhaṃ
Saṅgho yo sabba-pāṇīnaṃ saraṇaṃ khemam-uttamaṃ
Tatiyānussatiṭṭhānaṃ vandāmi taṃ siren'ahaṃ
Saṅghass'āhasmi dāso/dāsī va saṅgho me sāmi-kissaro
Saṅgho dukkhassa ghātā ca vidhātā ca hitassa me
Saṅghass'āhaṃ niyyādemi sarīrañ-jīvitañ-cidaṃ
Vandanto'haṃ/Vandantī'haṃ carissāmi
saṅghassopaṭipannataṃ
Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena vaḍḍheyyaṃ satthu-sāsane Saṅghaṃ me vandamānena/vandamānāya yaṃ puññaṃ pasutaṃ idha Sabbepi antarāyā me māhesuṃ tassa tejasā

(Bowing)

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā Saṅghe kukammaṃ pakataṃ mayā yaṃ Saṅgho paṭiggaṇhātu accayantaṃ Kālantare saṃvarituṃ va saṅghe

## Supreme Praise of the Sangha (English)

[Now let us chant the supreme praise of the Sangha.]

Born of the Dhamma, that Saṅgha which has practised well, The field of the Saṅgha formed of eight kinds of noble beings, Guided in body and mind by excellent morality and virtue. I revere that assembly of noble beings perfected in purity. The Saṅgha, which is the supreme, secure refuge of all beings — As the Third Object of Recollection, I venerate it with bowed head.

I am indeed the Saṅgha's servant, the Saṅgha is my Lord and Guide. The Saṅgha is sorrow's destroyer and it bestows blessings on me. To the Saṅgha I dedicate this body and life, And in devotion I will walk the well-practised way of the Saṅgha. For me there is no other refuge, the Saṅgha is my excellent refuge. By the utterance of this Truth, may I grow in the Master's Way. By my devotion to the Saṅgha, and the blessing of this practice — By its power, may all obstacles be overcome.

(Bowing)

By body, speech, or mind,
For whatever wrong action I have committed towards the Saṅgha,
May my acknowledgement of fault be accepted,
That in future there may be restraint regarding the Saṅgha.

## **Closing Homage**

[Arahaṃ] sammāsambuddho bhagavā Buddhaṃ bhagavantaṃ abhivādemi [Svākkhāto] bhagavatā dhammo Dhammaṃ namassāmi [Supaṭipanno] bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho Saṅghaṃ namāmi

## Closing Homage (English)

[The Lord,] the Perfectly Enlightened and Blessed One — I render homage to the Buddha, the Blessed One.

[The Teaching,] so completely explained by him — I bow to the Dhamma.

[The Blessed One's disciples,] who have practised well — I bow to the Saṅgha.

# 3.

## REFLECTIONS

#### 3.1 Reflection on the Four Requisites

[Handa mayam tankhanikapaccavekkhana-pāṭham bhanāmase]

[Paṭisaṅkhā] yoniso cīvaraṃ paṭisevāmi, yāvadeva sītassa paṭighātāya, uṇhassa paṭighātāya, ḍaṃsa-makasa-vātātapa-siriṃsapa-samphassānaṃ paṭighātāya, yāvadeva hirikopina-paṭicchādanatthaṃ

Wisely reflecting, I use the robe: only to ward off cold, to ward off heat, to ward off the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, burning and creeping things, only for the sake of modesty.

[Paṭisaṅkhā] yoniso piṇḍapātaṃ paṭisevāmi, neva davāya, na madāya, na maṇḍanāya, na vibhūsanāya, yāvadeva imassa kāyassa ṭhitiyā, yāpanāya, vihiṃsūparatiyā, brahmacariyānuggahāya, iti purāṇañca vedanaṃ paṭihaṅkhāmi, navañca vedanaṃ na uppādessāmi, yātrā ca me bhavissati anavajjatā ca phāsuvihāro cā'ti

Wisely reflecting, I use almsfood: not for fun, not for pleasure, not for fattening, not for beautification, only for the maintenance and nourishment of this body, for keeping it healthy, for helping with the Holy Life; thinking thus, 'I will allay hunger without overeating, so that I may continue to live blamelessly and at ease.'

[Paṭisaṅkhā] yoniso senāsanaṃ paṭisevāmi, yāvadeva sītassa paṭighātāya, uṇhassa paṭighātāya, ḍaṃsa-makasa-vātātapa-siriṃsapa-samphassānaṃ paṭighātāya, yāvadeva utuparissaya vinodanaṃ paṭisallānārāmatthaṃ

Wisely reflecting, I use the lodging: only to ward off cold, to ward off heat, to ward off the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, burning and creeping things, only to remove the danger from weather, and for living in seclusion.

[Paṭisaṅkhā] yoniso gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāraṃ paṭisevāmi, yāvadeva uppannānaṃ veyyābādhikānaṃ vedanānaṃ paṭighātāya, abyāpajjha-paramatāyā'ti

Wisely reflecting, I use supports for the sick and medicinal requisites: only to ward off painful feelings that have arisen, for the maximum freedom from disease.

M.I.10

## 3.2 Five Subjects for Frequent Recollection

[Handa mayam abhinha-paccavekkhana-pāṭham bhanāmase]

[Jarā-dhammomhi] jaram anatīto

I am of the nature to age, I have not gone beyond ageing.

Byādhi-dhammomhi byādhim anatīto

I am of the nature to sicken, I have not gone beyond sickness.

Maraṇa-dhammomhi maraṇaṃ anatīto

I am of the nature to die, I have not gone beyond dying.

Sabbehi me piyehi manāpehi nānābhāvo vinābhāvo

All that is mine, beloved and pleasing, will become otherwise, will become separated from me.

Kammassakomhi kammadāyādo kammayoni kammabandhu kammapaṭisaraṇo

Yam kammam karissāmi, kalyāṇam vā pāpakam vā, tassa dāyādo bhavissāmi

I am the owner of my kamma, heir to my kamma, born of my kamma, related to my kamma, abide supported by my kamma. Whatever kamma I shall do, for good or for ill, of that I will be the heir.

Evam amhehi abhinham paccavekkhitabbam

Thus we should frequently recollect.

(Women Chant)

[Jarā-dhammāmhi] jaraṃ anatītā

I am of the nature to age, I have not gone beyond ageing.

Byādhi-dhammāmhi byādhim anatītā

I am of the nature to sicken, I have not gone beyond sickness.

Maraṇa-dhammāmhi maraṇaṃ anatītā

I am of the nature to die, I have not gone beyond dying.

Sabbehi me piyehi manāpehi nānābhāvo vinābhāvo

All that is mine, beloved and pleasing, will become otherwise, will become separated from me.

Kammassakāmhi kammadāyādā kammayoni kammabandhu kammapaṭisaraṇā

Yam kammam karissāmi, kalyāṇam vā pāpakam vā, tassa dāyādā bhavissāmi

I am the owner of my kamma, heir to my kamma, born of my kamma, related to my kamma, abide supported by my kamma. Whatever kamma I shall do, for good or for ill, of that I will be the heir.

Evam amhehi abhinham paccavekkhitabbam

Thus we should frequently recollect.

A.III.71

## 3.3 Ten Subjects for Frequent Recollection

[Handa mayam pabbajita-abhinhapaccavekkhana-pāṭham bhanāmase]

[Dasa ime bhikkhave] dhammā pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbā, katame dasa

Bhikkhus, there are ten dhammas which should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth. What are these ten?

Vevaṇṇiyamhi ajjhūpagato'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'I am no longer living according to worldly aims and values.' This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Parapaṭibaddhā me jīvikā'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'My very life is sustained through the gifts of others.' This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Añño me ākappo karaṇīyo'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'I should strive to abandon my former habits.' This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Kacci nu kho me attā sīlato na upavadatī'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'Does regret over my conduct arise in my mind?' This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Kacci nu kho mam anuvicca viññū sabrahmacārī sīlato na upavadantī'ti pabbajitena abhinham paccavekkhitabbam

'Could my spiritual companions find fault with my conduct?' This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Sabbehi me piyehi manāpehi nānābhāvo vinābhāvo'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'All that is mine, beloved and pleasing, will become otherwise, will become separated from me.'

This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Kammassakomhi kammadāyādo kammayoni kammabandhu kammapaṭisaraṇo, yaṃ kammaṃ karissāmi, kalyāṇaṃ vā pāpakaṃ vā, tassa dāyādo bhavissāmī'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'I am the owner of my kamma, heir to my kamma, born of my kamma, related to my kamma, abide supported by my kamma; whatever kamma I shall do, for good or for ill, of that I will be the heir.'
This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

'Kathambhūtassa me rattindivā vītipatantī'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'The days and nights are relentlessly passing; how well am I spending my time?'

This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Kacci nu kho'haṃ suññāgāre abhiramāmī'ti pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbaṃ

'Do I delight in solitude or not?'
This should be reflected upon, again and again,
by one who has gone forth.

Atthi nu kho me uttari-manussa-dhammā alamariya-ñāna-dassana-viseso adhigato, so'ham pacchime kāle

sabrahmacārīhi puṭṭho na maṅku bhavissāmī'ti pabbajitena abhinham paccavekkhitabbam

'Has my practice borne fruit with freedom or insight so that at the end of my life I need not feel ashamed when questioned by my spiritual companions?'

This should be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

Ime kho bhikkhave dasa dhammā pabbajitena abhiṇhaṃ paccavekkhitabbā'ti

Bhikkhus, these are the ten dhammas to be reflected upon, again and again, by one who has gone forth.

A.V.87

## 3.4 Caturappamaññā-obhāsana

[Handa mayam caturappamaññā-obhāsanam karomase]

[Mettā-sahagatena] cetasā ekaṃ disaṃ pharitvā viharati Tathā dutiyaṃ tathā tatiyaṃ tathā catutthaṃ Iti uddhamadho tiriyaṃ sabbadhi sabbattatāya Sabbāvantaṃ lokaṃ mettā-sahagatena cetasā Vipulena mahaggatena appamāṇena averena abyāpajjhena pharitvā viharati

Karuṇā-sahagatena cetasā ekaṃ disaṃ pharitvā viharati Tathā dutiyaṃ tathā tatiyaṃ tathā catutthaṃ Iti uddhamadho tiriyaṃ sabbadhi sabbattatāya Sabbāvantaṃ lokaṃ karuṇā-sahagatena cetasā

Vipulena mahaggatena appamāṇena averena abyāpajjhena pharitvā viharati

Muditā-sahagatena cetasā ekaṃ disaṃ pharitvā viharati Tathā dutiyaṃ tathā tatiyaṃ tathā catutthaṃ Iti uddhamadho tiriyaṃ sabbadhi sabbattatāya Sabbāvantaṃ lokaṃ muditā-sahagatena cetasā Vipulena mahaggatena appamāṇena averena abyāpajjhena pharitvā viharati

Upekkhā-sahagatena cetasā ekam disam pharitvā viharati Tathā dutiyam tathā tatiyam tathā catuttham Iti uddhamadho tiriyam sabbadhi sabbattatāya Sabbāvantam lokam upekkhā-sahagatena cetasā Vipulena mahaggatena appamānena averena abyāpajjhena pharitvā viharatī'ti

D.I.251

#### Suffusion With the Divine Abidings

[Now let us make the Four Boundless Qualities shine forth.]

[I will abide] pervading one quarter with a heart imbued with loving-kindness; Likewise the second, likewise the third, likewise the fourth; So above and below, around and everywhere; and to all as to myself.

I will abide pervading the all-encompassing world with a heart imbued with loving-kindness; abundant, exalted, immeasurable, without hostility, and without ill-will.

I will abide pervading one quarter with a heart imbued with compassion;
Likewise the second, likewise the third, likewise the fourth;
So above and below, around and everywhere; and to all as to myself.
I will abide pervading the all-encompassing world with a heart imbued with compassion; abundant, exalted, immeasurable, without hostility, and without ill-will.

I will abide pervading one quarter with a heart imbued with gladness;
Likewise the second, likewise the third, likewise the fourth;
So above and below, around and everywhere; and to all as to myself.
I will abide pervading the all-encompassing world with a heart imbued with gladness; abundant, exalted, immeasurable, without hostility, and without ill-will.

I will abide pervading one quarter with a heart imbued with equanimity;
Likewise the second, likewise the third, likewise the fourth;
So above and below, around and everywhere; and to all as to myself.
I will abide pervading the all-encompassing

world with a heart imbued with equanimity; abundant, exalted, immeasurable, without hostility, and without ill-will.

## 3.5 Recollection After Using the Requisites

[Handa mayam atīta-paccavekkhaṇa-pāṭham bhaṇāmase]

Ajja mayā apaccavekkhitvā yam cīvaram paribhuttam, tam yāvadeva sītassa paṭighātāya, unhassa paṭighātāya, damsa-makasa-vātātapa-sirimsapa-samphassānam paṭighātāya, yāvadeva hirikopina paṭicchādan'attham.

Whatever robe I used today without consideration, was only to ward off cold, to ward off heat, to ward off the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, burning and creeping things, only for the sake of modesty.

Ajja mayā apaccavekkhitvā yo piṇḍapāto paribhutto, so n'eva davāya, na madāya, na maṇḍanāya, na vibhūsanāya, yāvad-eva imassa kāyassa ṭhitiyā, yāpanāya, vihiṃsūparatiyā, brahmacariyānuggahāya, iti purāṇañca vedanaṃ paṭihaṅkhāmi, navañca vedanaṃ na uppādessāmi, yātrā ca me bhavissati anavajjatā ca phāsuvihāro cā'ti.

Whatever alms-food I used today without consideration, was not for fun, not for pleasure, not for fattening, not for beautification, only for the maintenance and nourishment of this body, for keeping it healthy, for helping with the Holy Life; thinking thus, 'I will allay hunger without overeating, so that I may continue to live blamelessly and at ease.'

Ajja mayā apaccavekkhitvā yam senāsanam paribhuttam, tam yāvadeva sītassa paṭighātāya, unhassa paṭighātāya, damsa-makasa-vātātapa-sirimsapa-samphassānam paṭighātāya, yāvadeva utuparissaya vinodanam paṭisallānārāmattham.

Whatever lodging I used today without consideration, was only to ward off cold, to ward off heat, to ward off the touch of flies, mosquitoes, wind, burning and creeping things, only to remove the danger from weather, and for living in seclusion.

Ajja mayā apaccavekkhitvā yo gilāna-paccayabhesajjaparikkhāro paribhutto, so yāvadeva uppannānaṃ veyyābādhikānaṃ vedanānaṃ paṭighātāya, abyāpajjha-paramatāyā'ti.

Whatever medicinal requisite for supporting the sick I used today without consideration, was only to ward off painful feelings that have arisen, for the maximum freedom from disease.

M.I.10

## 3.6 Reflection on the Off-Putting Qualities of the Requisites

[Handa mayam dhātu-paṭikūlapaccavekkhaṇa-pāṭham bhaṇāmase]

[Yathā paccayaṃ] pavattamānaṃ dhātu-mattam-ev'etaṃ Composed of only elements according to causes and conditions

Yad idam cīvaram tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo

Are these robes and so is the person wearing them;

Dhātu-mattako, nissatto, nijjīvo, suñño

Merely elements, not a being, without a soul,
and empty of self.

Sabbāni pana imāni cīvarāni ajigucchanīyāni None of these robes are innately repulsive

Imaṃ pūti-kāyaṃ patvā, ativiya jigucchanīyāni jāyanti
But touching this unclean body, they become disgusting indeed.

Yathā paccayaṃ pavattamānaṃ dhātu-mattam-ev'etaṃ

Composed of only elements according to causes and conditions

Yad idam piṇḍapāto tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo

Is this almsfood and so is the person eating it;

Dhātu-mattako, nissatto, nijjīvo, suñño

Merely elements, not a being, without a soul,
and empty of self.

Sabbo panāyam piṇḍapāto ajigucchanīyo None of this almsfood is innately repulsive

Imaṃ pūti-kāyaṃ patvā, ativiya jigucchanīyo jāyati

But touching this unclean body, it becomes disgusting indeed.

Yathā paccayaṃ pavattamānaṃ dhātu-mattam-ev'etaṃ

Composed of only elements according to causes and conditions

Yad idam senāsanam tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo Is this dwelling and so is the person using it;

Dhātu-mattako, nissatto, nijjīvo, suñño

Merely elements, not a being, without a soul, and empty of self.

Sabbāni pana imāni senāsanāni ajigucchanīyāni None of these dwellings are innately repulsive

Imaṃ pūti-kāyaṃ patvā, ativiya jigucchanīyāni jāyanti
But touching this unclean body, they become disgusting indeed.

Yathā paccayam pavattamānam dhātu-mattam-ev'etam

Composed of only elements according to causes and conditions

Yad idam gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāro tad upabhuñjako ca puggalo

Is this medicinal requisite and so is the person that takes it;

Dhātu-mattako, nissatto, nijjīvo, suñño

Merely elements, not a being, without a soul, and empty of self.

Sabbo panāyaṃ gilāna-paccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāro ajigucchanīyo None of this medicinal requisite is innately repulsive

Imaṃ pūti-kāyaṃ patvā, ativiya jigucchanīyo jāyati

But touching this unclean body, it becomes disgusting indeed.

#### 3.7 Mettāpharaņa

[Handa mayam mettāpharaṇaṃ karomase]

[Ahaṃ sukhito homi] niddukkho homi, avero homi, abyāpajjho homi, anīgho homi, sukhī attānaṃ pariharāmi

Sabbe sattā sukhitā hontu, sabbe sattā averā hontu, sabbe sattā abyāpajjhā hontu, sabbe sattā anīghā hontu, sabbe sattā sukhī attānam pariharantu

Sabbe sattā sabbadukkhā pamuccantu

Sabbe sattā laddha-sampattito mā vigacchantu

Sabbe sattā kammassakā kammadāyādā kammayonī kammabandhū kammapaṭisaraṇā, yaṃ kammaṃ karissanti, kalyāṇaṃ vā pāpakaṃ vā, tassa dāyādā bhavissanti

M.I.288; A.V.88

## Reflection on Universal Well-Being

[Now let us chant the reflections on universal well-being]

[May I abide in well-being,]
In freedom from affliction,
In freedom from hostility,
In freedom from ill-will,
In freedom from anxiety,
And may I maintain well-being in myself.

May everyone abide in well-being, In freedom from hostility,

In freedom from ill-will, In freedom from anxiety, and may they Maintain well-being in themselves.

May all beings be released from all suffering.

And may they not be parted from the good fortune they have attained.

When they act upon intention,
All beings are the owners of their action
and inherit its results.
Their future is born from such action,
companion to such action,
And its results will be their home.

All actions with intention,
Be they skilful or harmful –
Of such acts they will be the heirs.

M.I.288; A.V.88

#### 3.8 Reflection on the Unconditioned

[Handa mayam nibbāna-sutta-pāṭham bhanāmase]

Atthi bhikkhave ajātam abhūtam akatam asankhatam

There is an Unborn, Unoriginated, Uncreated and Unformed.

No cetaṃ bhikkhave abhavissa ajātaṃ abhūtaṃ akataṃ asaṅkhataṃ

If there was not this Unborn, this Unoriginated, this Uncreated, this Unformed,

Na yidam jātassa bhūtassa katassa saṅkhatassa nissaraṇam paññāyetha

Freedom from the world of the born, the originated, the created, the formed would not be possible.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave atthi ajātaṃ abhūtaṃ akataṃ asaṅkhataṃ
But since there is an Unborn, Unoriginated, Uncreated and Unformed,
Tasmā jātassa bhūtassa katassa saṅkhatassa nissaraṇaṃ paññāyati
Therefore is freedom possible from the world of the born, the

Therefore is freedom possible from the world of the born, the originated, the created and the formed.

Ud.8.3

## 3.9 Reflection on the Thirty-Two Parts

[Handa mayam dvattimsākāra-pāṭham bhanāmase]

[Ayaṃ kho] me kāyo uddhaṃ pādatalā adho kesamatthakā tacapariyanto pūro nānappakārassa asucino

This, which is my body, from the soles of the feet up, and down from the crown of the head, is a sealed bag of skin filled with unattractive things.

Atthi imasmim kāye

*In this body there are:* 

kesā hair of the head lomā hair of the body nakhā nails dantā teeth taco skin

maṃsaṃ flesh

nahārū sinews

atthī bones

aṭṭhimiñjaṃ bone marrow

vakkam kidneys

hadayam heart

yakanam liver

kilomakam membranes

pihakam spleen

papphāsam lungs

antam bowels

antaguṇaṃ entrails

udariyam undigested food

karīsam excrement

pittam bile

semham phlegm

pubbo pus

lohitam blood

sedo sweat

medo fat

assu tears

vasā grease

khelo spittle

singhāṇikā mucus

lasikā oil of the joints

muttam urine

matthalungan'ti brain

Evam-ayam me kāyo uddham pādatalā adho kesamatthakā tacapariyanto pūro nānappakārassa asucino

This, then, which is my body, from the soles of the feet up, and down from the crown of the head, is a sealed bag of skin filled with unattractive things.

M.I.57

## 3.10 Sabba-patti-dāna-gāthā

Verses on the Sharing of Merit

[Handa mayam sabba-patti-dāna-gāthāyo bhanāmase]

Puññass'idāni katassa Yān'aññāni katāni me Tesañca bhāgino hontu Sattānantāppamāṇakā

> May whatever living beings, Without measure, without end, Partake of all the merit, From the good deeds I have done:

Ye piyā guṇavantā ca Mayhaṃ mātā-pitādayo Diṭṭhā me cāpyadiṭṭhā vā Aññe majjhatta-verino

> Those loved and full of goodness, My mother and my father dear, Beings seen by me and those unseen, Those neutral and averse,

Sattā tiṭṭhanti lokasmiṃ Te bhummā catu-yonikā Pañc'eka-catu-vokārā Saṃsarantā bhavābhave

> Beings established in the world, From the three planes and four grounds of birth, With five aggregates or one or four, Wand'ring on from realm to realm,

Ñātaṃ ye patti-dānam-me Anumodantu te sayaṃ Ye c'imaṃ nappajānanti Devā tesaṃ nivedayuṃ

> Those who know my act of dedication, May they all rejoice in it, And as for those yet unaware, May the devas let them know.

Mayā dinnāna-puññānaṃ anumodana-hetunā Sabbe sattā sadā hontu Averā sukha-jīvino Khemappadañca pappontu Tesāsā sijjhataṃ subhā

By rejoicing in my sharing,
May all beings live at ease,
In freedom from hostility,
May their good wishes be fulfilled,
And may they all reach safety.

#### 3.11 Uddissanādhiţţhāna-gāthā

[Handa mayam uddissanādhiṭṭhāna-gāthāyo bhaṇāmase]

[Iminā puññakammena] upajjhāyā guņuttarā Ācariyūpakārā ca mātāpitā ca ñātakā Suriyo candimā rājā guņavantā narāpi ca Brahma-mārā ca indā ca lokapālā ca devatā Yamo mittā manussā ca majjhattā verikāpi ca Sabbe sattā sukhī hontu puññāni pakatāni me Sukhañca tividham dentu khippam pāpetha vomatam Iminā puññakammena iminā uddissena ca Khipp'āham sulabhe ceva tanhūpādāna-chedanam Ye santāne hīnā dhammā yāva nibbānato mamam Nassantu sabbadā yeva yattha jāto bhave bhave Ujucittam satipaññā sallekho viriyamhinā Mārā labhantu nokāsam kātuñca viriyesu me Buddhādhipavaro nātho dhammo nātho varuttamo Nātho paccekabuddho ca saṅgho nāthottaro mamaṃ Tesottamānubhāvena mārokāsam labhantu mā [Dasapuññānubhāvena mārokāsam labhantu mā]

(This chant is a short excerpt from a longer composition. Some monasteries include the last line in brackets.)

## Verses of Sharing and Aspiration

[Now let us chant the verses of sharing and aspiration]

Through the goodness that arises from my practice, May my spiritual teachers and guides of great virtue,

My mother, my father, and my relatives, The Sun and the Moon, and all virtuous leaders of the world. May the highest gods and evil forces, Celestial beings, guardian spirits of the Earth, and the Lord of Death. May those who are friendly, indifferent, or hostile, May all beings receive the blessings of my life, May they soon attain the threefold bliss and realize the Deathless. Through the goodness that arises from my practice, And through this act of sharing, May all desires and attachments quickly cease And all harmful states of mind. Until I realize Nibbāna. In every kind of birth, may I have an upright mind, With mindfulness and wisdom, austerity and vigour. May the forces of delusion not take hold nor weaken my resolve. The Buddha is my excellent refuge,

The Buddha is my excellent refuge,
Unsurpassed is the protection of the Dhamma,
The Solitary Buddha is my noble guide,
The Saṅgha is my supreme support.
Through the supreme power of all these,
May darkness and delusion be dispelled.
[By the power of the ten merits,
May Māra gain no opening.]

#### 3.12 Sabbe sattā sadā hontu

Sabbe sattā sadā hontu Averā sukha-jīvino Kataṃ puñña-phalaṃ mayhaṃ Sabbe bhāgī bhavantu te

May all beings always live happily, free from animosity.

May all share in the blessings springing from the good I have done.

## 3.13 Ti-loka-vijaya-rāja-patti-dāna-gāthā

Yan kiñci kusalam kammam kattabbam kiriyam mama

Kāyena vācā manasā ti-dase sugatam katam

Ye sattā saññino atthi ye ca sattā asaññino

Kataṃ puñña-phalaṃ mayhaṃ sabbe bhāgī bhavantu te

Ye taṃ kataṃ suviditaṃ dinnaṃ puñña-phalaṃ mayā

Ye ca tattha na jānanti devā gantvā nivedayum

Sabbe lokamhi ye sattā jīvant'āhāra-hetukā

Manuññaṃ bhojanaṃ sabbe labhantu mama cetasā.

## 3.14 The Teaching on Striving According to Dhamma

[Handa mayam dhamma-pahamsāna-pāṭham bhanāmase]

Evam svākkhāto bhikkhave mayā dhammo

Bhikkhus, the Dhamma has thus been well expounded by me,

Uttāno

Elucidated.

Vivațo

Disclosed.

Pakāsito

Revealed.

Chinna-pilotiko

And stripped of patchwork —

Alam-eva saddhā-pabbajitena kula-puttena vīriyaṃ ārabhituṃ

This is enough for a clansman, who has gone forth out of faith, to arouse his energy thus:

Kāmam taco ca nahāru ca atthi ca avasissatu

'Willingly let only my skin, sinews and bones remain,

Sarīre upasussatu mamsa-lohitam

And let the flesh and blood in this body wither away.

Yam tam

As long as whatever is to be attained

Purisa-thāmena

By human strength,

Purisa-vīriyena

By human energy,

Purisa-parakkamena

By human effort,

Pattabbam na tam apāpunitvā

Has not been attained,

Vīriyassa saṇṭhānaṃ bhavissatī'ti

Let not my efforts stand still.'

Dukkham bhikkhave kusīto viharati

Bhikkhus, the lazy person dwells in suffering,

Vokinno pāpakehi akusalehi dhammehi

Soiled by evil, unwholesome states

Mahantañca sadattham parihāpeti

And great is the personal good that he neglects.

Āraddha-vīriyo ca kho bhikkhave sukham viharati

The energetic person though dwells happily,

Pavivitto pāpakehi akusalehi dhammehi

Well withdrawn from unwholesome states

Mahantañca sadattham paripūreti

And great is the personal good that he achieves.

Na bhikkhave hīnena aggassa patti hoti

Bhikkhus, it is not by lower means that the supreme is attained

Aggena ca kho bhikkhave aggassa patti hoti

But, bhikkhus, it is by the supreme that the supreme is attained.

Maṇḍapeyyam-idam bhikkhave brahmacariyam

Bhikkhus, this holy life is like the cream of the milk:

Satthā sammukhī-bhūto

The Teacher is present,

Tasmātiha bhikkhave vīriyam ārabhatha

Therefore, bhikkhus, start to arouse your energy

Appattassa pattiyā

For the attainment of the as yet unattained,

Anadhigatassa adhigamāya

For the achievement of the as yet unachieved,

Asacchikatassa sacchikiriyāya

For the realization of the as yet unrealized.

Evam no ayam amhākam pabbajjā avankatā avanjhā bhavissati

Thinking, in such a way: 'Our Going Forth will not be barren

Saphalā sa-udrayā

But will become fruitful and fertile,

Yesam mayam paribhuñjāma cīvara-piṇḍapāta-senāsanagilānappaccaya-bhesajja-parikkhāram tesam te kārā amhesu

And all our use of robes, almsfood, lodgings, and medicinal requisites, given by others for our support,

Mahapphalā bhavissanti mahānisaṃsā'ti

Will reward them with great fruit and great benefit.'

Evam hi vo bhikkhave sikkhitabbam

Bhikkhus, you should train yourselves thus:

Att'attham vā hi bhikkhave sampassamānena

Considering your own good,

Alam-eva appamādena sampādetum

It is enough to strive for the goal without negligence;

Par'attham vā hi bhikkhave sampassamānena

Bhikkhus, considering the good of others,

Alam-eva appamādena sampādetum

It is enough to strive for the goal without negligence;

Ubhay'attham vā hi bhikkhave sampassamānena

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Bhikkhus, considering the good of both,

Alam-eva appamādena sampādetun'ti

It is enough to strive for the goal without negligence.

#### 3.15 Dedication of Merit to the Devas and Others

[Handa mayam patti-dāna-gāthāyo bhaṇāmase]

Yā devatā santi vihāra-vāsinī Thūpe ghare bodhi-ghare tahim tahim Tā dhamma-dānena bhavantu pūjitā Sotthim karonte'dha vihāra-mandale.

May the devas dwelling in the temple, the stupa, the buildings, the Bodhi-tree enclosure, here and there, be honored with the gift of Dhamma. May they bring about well-being here in the monastery.

Therā ca majjhā navakā ca bhikkhavo Sārāmikā dāna-patī upāsakā Gāmā ca desā nigamā ca issarā Sappāṇa-bhūtā sukhitā bhavantu te.

May elder, intermediat, and new monks, temple attendants, donors, lay followers; towns, cities, and principalities, with their beings and spirits be happy.

Jalābu-jā ye pi ca aṇḍa-sambhavā Saṃseda-jātā atha-v-opapātikā 52 3. REFLECTIONS

Niyyānikam dhamma-varam paṭicca te Sabbe pi dukkhassa karontu saṅkhayam.

Whether born from a womb, from an egg, from moisture, or spontaneously arising:
May they, in dependence on the foremost Dhamma for leading out, all make an end to suffering and stress.

Thātu ciraṃ sataṃ dhammo Dhamma-dharā ca puggalā Saṅgho hotu samaggo va Atthāya ca hitāya ca Amhe rakkhatu saddhammo Sabbe pi dhamma-cārino Vuḍḍhiṃ sampāpuṇeyyāma Dhamme ariyappavedite.

May the Dhamma stand firm for long, along with those individuals who maintain it.

May the Sangha live in harmony, for our welfare and benefit.

May the true Dhamma protect us, together with all who practise the Dhamma.

May we flourish in the Dhamma taught by the noble ones.

# Pasannā hontu sabbe pi

Pasannā hontu sabbe pi Pāṇino Buddha-sāsane. Sammā-dhāraṃ pavecchanto Kāle devo pavassatu. 3. REFLECTIONS 53

Vuḍḍhi-bhāvāya sattānaṃ Samiddhaṃ netu medaniṃ. Mātā-pitā ca atra-jaṃ Niccaṃ rakkhanti puttakaṃ. Evaṃ dhammena rājāno Pajaṃ rakkhantu sabbadā.

#### 3.16 Verses on Friends

Aññadatthu haro mitto
Yo ca mitto vacī-paramo,
Anupiyañ-ca yo āhu,
Apāyesu ca yo sakhā:
Ete amitte cattāro iti viññāya paṇḍito
Ārakā parivajjeyya
Maggaṃ paṭibhayaṃ yathā.

One who makes friends only to cheat them, one who is good only in word, one who merely flatters you, and a companion in ruinous fun:
These four the wise know as non-friends.
Avoid them from afar, like a dangerous road.

Upakāro ca yo mitto, Sukha-dukkho ca yo sakhā, Atthakkhāyī ca yo mitto, Yo ca mittānukampako: 54 3. REFLECTIONS

Etepi mitte cattāro iti viññāya paṇḍito. Sakkaccaṃ payirupāseyya, Mātā puttaṃ va orasaṃ.

A friend who is helpful, one who shares in your sorrows and joys, one who points you to worthwhile things, one sympathetic to friends:
These four; the wise know as true friends.
Attend to them earnestly, as a mother her child.

### 3.17 Reflection on Impermanence

[Handa mayam aniccānussati-pāṭham bhaṇāmase]

[Sabbe sankhārā aniccā]

All conditioned things are impermanent;

Sabbe sankhārā dukkhā

All conditioned things are dukkha;

Sabbe dhammā anattā

Everything is void of self.

Addhuvam jīvitam

Life is not for sure;

Dhuvam maranam

Death is for sure;

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Avassam mayā maritabbam

It is inevitable that I'll die;

Maraṇa-pariyosānaṃ me jīvitaṃ

Death is the culmination of my life;

Jīvitam me aniyatam

My life is uncertain;

Maraṇam me niyatam

My death is certain.

Vata

Indeed,

Ayam kāyo

This body

Aciram

Will soon

Apeta-viññāṇo

Be void of consciousness

Chuddho

And cast away.

Adhisessati

It will lie

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Paṭhaviṃ

On the ground

Kalingaram iva

Just like a rotten log,

Nirattham

Completely void of use.

Aniccā vata saṅkhārā

Truly conditioned things cannot last,

Uppāda-vaya-dhammino

Their nature is to rise and fall,

Uppajjitvā nirujjhanti

Having arisen things must cease,

Tesam vūpasamo sukho

Their stilling is true happiness.

### 3.18 The Guardian Meditations

[Handa mayam catur'ārakkhā-kammaṭṭhāna-pāṭham bhaṇāmase]

Buddhānussati mettā ca Asubhaṃ maraṇassati Iccimā catur'ārakkhā Kātabbā ca vipassanā. 3. REFLECTIONS 57

These four meditations – recollection of the Buddha, good-will, the foulness of the body, and mindfulness of death – are guardians and means of insight that should be done.

Visuddha-dhamma-santāno Anuttarāya bodhiyā Yogato ca pabodhā ca Buddho Buddho'ti ñāyate.

Endowed with pure qualities through his unexcelled Awakening, and from training others to awaken, he is known as the Awakened One.

Narānara-tiracchānabhedā sattā sukhesino, Sabbe pi sukhino hontu Sukhitattā ca khemino.

All living beings – human, non-human, and animal – who are searching for happiness: May they all be happy and, through their happiness, secure.

Kesa-lomādi-chavānaṃ Ayam'eva samussayo Kāyo sabbo pi jeguccho Vaṇṇādito paṭikkulo.

> This conglomeration of things from dead bodies, like hair of the head and hair of the body: The body as a whole is disgusting and, in terms of such things as its colours, unclean.

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Jīvit'indriy'upacchedasaṅkhāta-maraṇaṃ siyā Sabbesaṃ pīdha pāṇīnaṃ Tañ-hi dhuvaṃ na jīvitaṃ.

Death, the destruction of the faculty of life, will come to all beings. That is certain, but life is not.

## 3.19 Yan-dāni me katam puññam

Yan-dāni me kataṃ puññaṃ
Khippaṃ sacchikareyyāhaṃ
Sace tāva abhabbo'haṃ
Niyato bodhi-satto va
Nāṭṭhārasa pi abhabba
Manussattañ-ca liṅgañ-ca
Labhitvā pesalo sīlī
Sukhā-paṭipado khippābhiñño
Arahatta-phalaṃ aggaṃ
Yadi n'uppajjati Buddho
Evaṃ sante labheyyāhaṃ

tenānen'uddisena ca, dhamme lok'uttare nava. saṃsāre pana saṃsaraṃ, sambuddhena viyākato. ṭhānāni pāpuṇeyy'ahaṃ. pabbajjañ-c'upasampadaṃ. dhāreyyaṃ satthu sāsanaṃ, sacchikareyyahaṃ. vijj'ādi-guṇ'alaṅ-kataṃ, kammaṃ paripūrañ-ca me, pacceka-bodhim-uttaman-ti.

# 4.

# PARITTA CHANTS

#### 4.1 Thai Tradition

Paritta chanting ceremonies in Thailand vary regionally but may be outlined as:

- a layperson chants the invitation for paritta chanting
- the third bhikkhu or nun in seniority chants the invitation to the devas
- the introductory chants are chanted
- the core sequence of paritta chants follow
- the closing chants end the ceremony.

The third introductory chant in the Mahānikāya sect is commonly *Sambuddhe*. In Dhammayut circles and frequently in the forest tradition, the third chant is *Yo cakkhumā* instead.

There is a shorter and longer traditional core sequence. The jet tamnaan (เจ็คตำนาน) contains D1-D7 as below, the sipsong tamnaan (สิบสองตำนาน) contains S1-S12. Chants that are not numbered 'D' or 'S' can be included or not, as wished, but should be recited in the order listed here.

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#### Notes for Particular Chants

**Asevanā ca bālānaṃ:** The candles on the shrine during a house invitation are lit by the senior bhikkhu or nun at *Asevanā*.

**Yańkiñci vittaṃ:** The candles are put out at *Nibbanti dhīrā* yathā'yam padīpo.

**Atthi loke sīla-guṇo:** On the occasion of blessing a new house, this chant should be included, as it is traditionally considered protection against fire.

**Yato'haṃ bhagini:** This chant is to be used for expectant mothers since the time of the Buddha for the blessing and protection of the mother and child. It is also a good occasion to chant it when receiving alms from a newly married couple. Sangha members are encouraged to practise it.

**Dukkhappattā ca niddukkhā:** This is usually chanted as second to last before *Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ*. It is considered necessary to include it whenever the devas have been invited at the beginning of the paritta chanting as this chant contains a line inviting them to leave again.

**Bāhuṃ sahassam-abhinimmita:** This is is a popular later addition to the present day standard chants. It is not listed in the *jet tamnaan* or *sipsong tamnaan* sets. Yet these days it is frequently added just before *Mahā-kāruṇiko nātho*. On some occasions (e.g. public birthdays, jubilees, inauguration ceremonies, etc.), it is an alternative, instead of chanting *jet tamnaan* or *sipsong tamnaan*, to do a minimum sequence called *suat phorn phra* which contains only:

- (1) Namo Tassa,
- (2) Iti pi so bhagavā,
- (3) Bāhum,
- (4) Mahā-kāruṇiko nātho, and
- (5) Bhavatu sabba-mangalam.

In this minimal chanting sequence usually one does not invite the devas.

**Te attha-laddhā sukhitā:** This is sometimes inserted before closing with *Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ*, as a special well-wishing when the occasion has to do with Buddhism in general (e.g. inauguration of a new abbot, or at the end of an *upasampadā*).

#### 4.2 Invitations

### 4.2.1 Invitation for Paritta Chanting

(After bowing three times, with hands joined in añjali, recite the following)

Vipatti-paṭibāhāya sabba-sampatti-siddhiyā Sabbadukkha-vināsāya Parittaṃ brūtha maṅgalaṃ

Vipatti-paṭibāhāya sabba-sampatti-siddhiyā Sabbabhaya-vināsāya Parittaṃ brūtha maṅgalaṃ

Vipatti-paṭibāhāya sabba-sampatti-siddhiyā Sabbaroga-vināsāya Parittaṃ brūtha maṅgalaṃ

(Bow three times)

For warding off misfortune, for the arising of good fortune,
For the dispelling of all dukkha,
May you chant a blessing and protection.
For warding off misfortune, for the arising of good fortune,
For the dispelling of all fear,
May you chant a blessing and protection.
For warding off misfortune, for the arising of good fortune,
For the dispelling of all sickness,
May you chant a blessing and protection.

#### 4.2.2 Invitation to the Devas

In Thai custom, the third monk in seniority invites the devas, holding his hands in *añjali*, and lifting up the ceremonial string.

The string is wound up at the beginning of the last chant, *Mahā-kāruṇiko nātho* or *Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ*, which should be kept in mind by the last bhikkhu or *sāmaṇera*.

Before royal ceremonies, the invitation starts with A.

Before the shorter *jet tamnaan* set of parittas, B is used and C is omitted. Before the longer *sipsong tamnaan* set of parittas, B is omitted and C is used.

The verses at D are always chanted.

When chanting outside the monastery, the invitation is concluded with E. When chanting at the monastery, the invitation is concluded with either E or F.

(With hands joined in añjali, recite the following)

- A. Sarajjam sasenam sabandhum nar'indam Paritt'ānubhāvo sadā rakkhatū'ti
- B. Pharitvāna mettam samettā bhadantā Avikkhitta-cittā parittam bhanantu
- C. Samantā cakka-vāļesu Atr'āgacchantu devatā Saddhammam muni-rājassa Suņantu sagga-mokkha-dam
- D. Sagge kāme ca rūpe
  Giri-sikhara-taṭe c'antalikkhe vimāne
  Dīpe raṭṭhe ca gāme
  Taru-vana-gahane geha-vatthumhi khette
  Bhummā c'āyantu devā
  Jala-thala-visame yakkha-gandhabba-nāgā
  Tiṭṭhantā santike yaṃ
  Muni-vara-vacanaṃ sādhavo me suṇantu
- E. Dhammassavana-kālo ayam-bhadantā (×3)

Or. end with:

F. Buddha-dassana-kālo ayam-bhadantā
Dhammassavana-kālo ayam-bhadantā
Saṅgha-payirūpāsana-kālo ayam-bhadantā

Benevolent, venerable sirs: having spread thoughts of goodwill, listen to the chant with undistracted mind.

From all around the ten-thousand world-systems, may the devas come here.

May they listen to the True Dhamma of the King of Sages, leading to heaven and liberation.

Those in the heavens of sensuality and form, on peaks and mountain precipices, in palaces floating in the sky, in islands, countries, and towns,

in groves of trees and thickets, around home sites and fields.

And the earth-devas, spirits, heavenly minstrels, and nagas in water, on land, in bad lands, and nearby:

May they come and listen with approval as I recite the word of the excellent sage.

This is the time to see the Buddha, venerable sirs.

This is the time to listen to the Dhamma, venerable sirs.

This is the time to attend to the Sangha, venerable sirs.

### 4.3 Introductory Chants

#### 4.3.1 Pubba-bhāga-nama-kāra-pātha

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa

### 4.3.2 Sarana-gamana-pātha

Buddhaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi Dhammaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi Saṅghaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi

Dutiyam pi buddham saranam gacchāmi Dutiyam pi dhammam saranam gacchāmi Dutiyam pi saṅgham saranam gacchāmi

Tatiyam pi buddham saranam gacchāmi Tatiyam pi dhammam saranam gacchāmi Tatiyam pi saṅgham saranam gacchāmi

### 4.3.3 Sambuddhe

Sambuddhe aṭṭhavīsañca Dvādasañca sahassake Pañca-sata-sahassāni Namāmi sirasā ahaṃ

Tesaṃ dhammañca saṅghañca Ādarena namāmihaṃ Namakārānubhāvena Hantvā sabbe upaddave Anekā antarāyāpi Vinassantu asesato

Sambuddhe pañca-paññāsañca Catuvīsati sahassake Dasa-sata-sahassāni Namāmi sirasā aham

Tesaṃ dhammañca saṅghañca Ādarena namāmihaṃ Namakārānubhāvena Hantvā sabbe upaddave Anekā antarāyāpi Vinassantu asesato

Sambuddhe navuttarasate Aṭṭhacattāḷīsa sahassake Vīsati-sata-sahassāni Namāmi sirasā ahaṃ

Tesaṃ dhammañca saṅghañca Ādarena namāmihaṃ Namakārānubhāvena Hantvā sabbe upaddave Anekā antarāyāpi Vinassantu asesato

#### The Buddhas

I pay homage with my head to the 512,028 Buddhas.

I pay devoted homage to their Dhamma and Saṅgha. Through the power of this homage, having demolished all misfortunes, may countless dangers be destroyed without trace.

I pay homage with my head to the 1,024,055 Buddhas.

I pay devoted homage to their Dhamma and Saṅgha. Through the power of this homage, having demolished all misfortunes, may countless dangers be destroyed without trace.

I pay homage with my head to the 2,048,109 Buddhas.

I pay devoted homage to their Dhamma and Saṅgha. Through the power of this homage, having demolished all misfortunes, may countless dangers be destroyed without trace.

### 4.3.4 Nama-kāra-siddhi-gāthā

Yo cakkhumā moha-malāpakaṭṭho Sāmaṃ va buddho sugato vimutto Mārassa pāsā vinimocayanto Pāpesi khemaṃ janataṃ vineyyaṃ Buddhaṃ varan-taṃ sirasā namāmi Lokassa nāthañ-ca vināyakañ-ca Tan-tejasā te jaya-siddhi hotu Sabb'antarāyā ca vināsamentu

Dhammo dhajo yo viya tassa satthu
Dassesi lokassa visuddhi-maggaṃ
Niyyāniko dhamma-dharassa dhārī
Sāt'āvaho santi-karo suciṇṇo
Dhammaṃ varan-taṃ sirasā namāmi
Mohappadālaṃ upasanta-dāhaṃ
Tan-tejasā te jaya-siddhi hotu
Sabb'antarāyā ca vināsamentu

Saddhamma-senā sugatānugo yo Lokassa pāpūpakilesa-jetā Santo sayaṃ santi-niyojako ca Svākkhāta-dhammaṃ viditaṃ karoti Saṅghaṃ varan-taṃ sirasā namāmi Buddhānubuddhaṃ sama-sīla-diṭṭhiṃ Tan-tejasā te jaya-siddhi hotu Sabb'antarāyā ca vināsamentu

# The Verses of Success through Homage

The One with Vision, with the stain of delusion removed, Self-awakened, Well-Gone, and Released.
Releasing them from the Māra's snare, he leads humanity from evils to security.

I pay homage with my head to that excellent Buddha, the Protector and Mentor for the world. By the majesty of this, may you have triumph and success, and may all your dangers be destroyed.

The Teacher's Dhamma, like a banner, shows the path of purity to the world.

Leading out, upholding those who uphold it, rightly accomplished, it brings pleasure, makes peace.

I pay homage with my head to that excellent Dhamma, which pierces delusion and makes fever grow calm. By the majesty of this, may you have triumph and success, and may all your dangers be destroyed.

The True Dhamma's army, following the One Well-Gone, is victor over the evils and corruptions of the world. Self-calmed, it is calming and unfettering, and makes the well-taught Dhamma be known.

I pay homage with my head to that excellent Saṅgha, awakened following the Awakened One,

harmonious in virtue and view.

By the majesty of this, may you have triumph and success, and may all your dangers be destroyed.

### 4.3.5 Namo-kāra-atthaka

Namo arahato sammā Sambuddhassa mahesino Namo uttama-dhammassa Svākkhātass'eva ten'idha Namo mahā-saṅghassāpi Visuddha-sīla-ditthino Namo omāty-āraddhassa Ratanattayassa sādhukam Namo omakātītassa Tassa vatthuttayassa-pi Namo-kārappabhāvena Vigacchantu upaddavā Namo-kārānubhāvena Suvatthi hotu sabbadā Namo-kārassa tejena Vidhimhi homi tejavā

### The Homage Octet

Homage to the Great Seer, the Worthy One, Rightly Self-awakened.

Homage to the highest Dhamma, well-taught by him here.

And homage to the Great Sangha, pure in virtue and view.

Homage to the Triple Gem beginning auspiciously with AUM.

And homage to those three objects that have left base things behind.

By the potency of this homage, may misfortunes disappear.

By the potency of this homage, may there always be well-being. By the majesty of this homage, may I be successful in this ceremony.

### 4.4 Core Sequence

#### 4.4.1 Mangala-sutta

[Evam-me sutaṃ: ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā, sāvatthiyaṃ viharati, jeta-vane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Atha kho aññatarā devatā abhikkantāya rattiyā abhikkanta-vaṇṇā kevala-kappaṃ jetavanaṃ obhāsetvā, yena bhagavā ten'upasaṅkami. Upasaṅkamitvā bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekam-antaṃ aṭṭhāsi. Ekam-antaṃ ṭhitā kho sā devatā bhagavantaṃ gāthāya ajjhabhāsi:

Bahū devā manussā ca, Maṅgalāni acintayuṃ; Ākaṅkhamānā sotthānaṃ, Brūhi maṅgalam-uttamaṃ.]

> Asevanā ca bālānam Paṇḍitānañ-ca sevanā Pūjā ca pūjanīyānam Etam maṅgalam-uttamam

> Paṭirūpa-desa-vāso ca Pubbe ca kata-puññatā Atta-sammā-paṇidhi ca Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Bāhu-saccañ-ca sippañ-ca, Vinayo ca susikkhito Subhāsitā ca yā vācā Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

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Mātā-pitu-upaṭṭhānaṃ Putta-dārassa saṅgaho Anākulā ca kammantā Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Dānañ-ca dhamma-cariyā ca Ñātakānañ-ca saṅgaho Anavajjāni kammāni Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Āratī viratī pāpā Majja-pānā ca saññamo Appamādo ca dhammesu Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Gāravo ca nivāto ca Santuṭṭhī ca kataññutā Kālena dhammassavanaṃ Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Khantī ca sovacassatā Samaṇānañ-ca dassanaṃ Kālena dhamma-sākacchā Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Tapo ca brahma-cariyañ-ca Ariya-saccāna-dassanaṃ Nibbāna-sacchikiriyā ca Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Phuṭṭhassa loka-dhammehi Cittaṃ yassa na kampati Asokaṃ virajaṃ khemaṃ Etam maṅgalam-uttamaṃ

Etādisāni katvāna Sabbattham-aparājitā Sabbattha sotthim gacchanti Tan-tesam mangalam-uttaman'ti

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### The Thirty-Eight Highest Blessings

[Now let us chant the verses on the Highest Blessings]

[Thus have I heard that the Blessed One] Was staying at Sāvatthī, Residing at the Jeta's Grove In Anāthapiṇḍika's Park.

Then in the dark of the night, a radiant deva Illuminated all Jeta's Grove.

She bowed down low before the Blessed One Then standing to one side she said:

'Devas are concerned for happiness And ever long for peace. The same is true for humankind. What then are the highest blessings?'

Avoiding those of foolish ways,
Associating with the wise,
And honouring those worthy of honour.
These are the highest blessings.

Living in places of suitable kinds, With the fruits of past good deeds And guided by the rightful way. These are the highest blessings.

Accomplished in learning and craftsman's skills, With discipline, highly trained, And speech that is true and pleasant to hear. These are the highest blessings.

Providing for mother and father's support And cherishing family, And ways of work that harm no being, These are the highest blessings.

Generosity and a righteous life,
Offering help to relatives and kin,
And acting in ways that leave no blame.
These are the highest blessings.

Steadfast in restraint, and shunning evil ways, Avoiding intoxicants that dull the mind,

And heedfulness in all things that arise. These are the highest blessings.

Respectfulness and being of humble ways, Contentment and gratitude, And hearing the Dhamma frequently taught. These are the highest blessings.

Patience and willingness to accept one's faults, Seeing venerated seekers of the truth, And sharing often the words of Dhamma. These are the highest blessings.

Ardent, committed to the Holy Life, Seeing for oneself the Noble Truths And the realization of Nibbāna. These are the highest blessings.

Although in contact with the world, Unshaken the mind remains Beyond all sorrow, spotless, secure. These are the highest blessings.

They who live by following this path Know victory wherever they go, And every place for them is safe. These are the highest blessings.

#### 4.4.2 Ratana-sutta

(In certain monasteries only the numbered verses are chanted.)

Yānīdha bhūtāni samāgatāni Bhummāni vā yāni va antalikkhe Sabb'eva bhūtā sumanā bhavantu Atho pi sakkacca suṇantu bhāsitaṃ Tasmā hi bhūtā nisāmetha sabbe Mettaṃ karotha mānusiyā pajāya Divā ca ratto ca haranti ye baliṃ Tasmā hi ne rakkhatha appamattā

- 1. Yaṅkiñci vittaṃ idha vā huraṃ vā Saggesu vā yaṃ ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Na no samaṃ atthi tathāgatena Idam-pi buddhe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu
- 2. Khayam virāgam amatam paṇītam Yad-ajjhagā sakya-munī samāhito Na tena dhammena sam'atthi kiñci Idam-pi dhamme ratanam paṇītam Etena saccena suvatthi hotu
- 3. Yam buddha-seṭṭho parivaṇṇayī suciṃ Samādhim-ānantarikaññam-āhu Samādhinā tena samo na vijjati Idam-pi dhamme ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

4. Ye puggalā aṭṭha sataṃ pasaṭṭhā
Cattāri etāni yugāni honti
Te dakkhiṇeyyā sugatassa sāvakā
Etesu dinnāni mahapphalāni
Idam-pi saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ
Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

5. Ye suppayuttā manasā daļhena
Nikkāmino gotama-sāsanamhi
Te patti-pattā amatam vigayha
Laddhā mudhā nibbutim bhuñjamānā
Idam-pi saṅghe ratanam paṇītam
Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Yath'inda-khīlo paṭhaviṃ sito siyā Catubbhi vātebhi asampakampiyo Tathūpamaṃ sappurisaṃ vadāmi Yo ariya-saccāni avecca passati Idam-pi Saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Ye ariya-saccāni vibhāvayanti Gambhīra-paññena sudesitāni Kiñ-cāpi te honti bhusappamattā Na te bhavaṃ aṭṭhamam-ādiyanti Idam-pi Saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Sahā v'assa dassana-sampadāya Tay'assu dhammā jahitā bhavanti

Sakkāya-diṭṭhi vicikicchitañ-ca Sīlabbataṃ vā pi yad-atthi kiñci Catūh'apāyehi ca vippamutto Cha cābhiṭhānāni abhabbo kātuṃ Idam-pi Saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Kiñ-cāpi so kammaṃ karoti pāpakaṃ Kāyena vācā uda cetasā vā Abhabbo so tassa paṭicchādāya Abhabbatā diṭṭha-padassa vuttā Idam-pi Saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Vanappagumbe yathā phussitagge Gimhāna-māse paṭhamasmiṃ gimhe Tathūpamaṃ dhamma-varaṃ adesayi Nibbāna-gāmiṃ paramaṃ hitāya Idam-pi Buddhe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

Varo varaññū varado var'āharo Anuttaro dhamma-varaṃ adesayi Idam-pi Buddhe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu

6. Khīṇaṃ purāṇaṃ navaṃ n'atthi sambhavaṃ Viratta-citt'āyatike bhavasmiṃ Te khīṇa-bījā aviruļhi-chandā Nibbanti dhīrā yathā'yam padīpo

Idam-pi saṅghe ratanaṃ paṇītaṃ Etena saccena suvatthi hotu.

Yānīdha bhūtāni samāgatāni Bhummāni vā yāni va antalikkhe Tathāgataṃ deva-manussa-pūjitaṃ Buddhaṃ namassāma suvatthi hotu

Yānīdha bhūtāni samāgatāni Bhummāni vā yāni va antalikkhe Tathāgataṃ deva-manussa-pūjitaṃ Dhammam namassāma suvatthi hotu

Yānīdha bhūtāni samāgatāni Bhummāni vā yāni va antalikkhe Tathāgataṃ deva-manussa-pūjitaṃ Saṅgham namassāma suvatthi hotū'ti.

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## Verses from the Discourse on Treasures

(The translations correspond to the numbered verses above.)

- Whatever wealth in this world or the next, whatever exquisite treasure in the heavens, is not, for us, equal to the Tathāgata. This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Buddha. By this truth may there be well-being.
- 2. The exquisite Deathless dispassion, ending discovered by the Sakyan Sage while in concentration: There is nothing equal to that Dhamma. This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Dhamma. By this truth may there be well-being.

3. What the excellent Awakened One extolled as pure and called the concentration of unmediated knowing: No equal to that concentration can be found. This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Dhamma. By this truth may there be well-being.

- 4. The eight persons the four pairs praised by those at peace:
  They, disciples of the One Well-Gone, deserve offerings.
  What is given to them bears great fruit.
  This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Sangha.
  By this truth may there be well-being.
- 5. Those who, devoted, firm-minded, apply themselves to Gotama's message, on attaining their goal, plunge into the Deathless, freely enjoying the Unbinding they've gained. This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Saṅgha. By this truth may there be well-being.
- 6. Ended the old, there is no new taking birth. Dispassioned their minds toward further becoming, they – with no seed, no desire for growth, enlightened – go out like this flame. This, too, is an exquisite treasure in the Sangha. By this truth may there be well-being.

### 4.4.3 Karanīya-metta-sutta

Karaṇīyam-attha-kusalena Yan-taṃ santaṃ padaṃ abhisamecca Sakko ujū ca suhujū ca Suvaco c'assa mudu anatimānī

Santussako ca subharo ca Appakicco ca sallahuka-vutti Sant'indriyo ca nipako ca Appagabbho kulesu ananugiddho

Na ca khuddam samācare kiñci Yena viññū pare upavadeyyum Sukhino vā khemino hontu Sabbe sattā bhavantu sukhit'attā

Ye keci pāṇa-bhūt'atthi Tasā vā thāvarā vā anavasesā Dīghā vā ye mahantā vā Majjhimā rassakā aṇuka-thūlā

Diṭṭhā vā ye ca adiṭṭhā Ye ca dūre vasanti avidūre Bhūtā vā sambhavesī vā Sabbe sattā bhavantu sukhit'attā

Na paro paraṃ nikubbetha Nātimaññetha katthaci naṃ kiñci Byārosanā paṭighasaññā Nāññam-aññassa dukkham-iccheyya

Mātā yathā niyam puttam Āyusā eka-puttam-anurakkhe Evam'pi sabba-bhūtesu Mānasam-bhāvaye aparimāṇam

## Mettañ-ca sabba-lokasmim

(A shorter form is sometimes started here)

Mettañ-ca sabba-lokasmiṃ Mānasam-bhāvaye aparimāṇaṃ Uddhaṃ adho ca tiriyañ-ca Asambādhaṃ averaṃ asapattaṃ

Tiṭṭhañ-caraṃ nisinno vā Sayāno vā yāvat'assa vigata-middho Etaṃ satiṃ adhiṭṭheyya Brahmam-etam vihāram idham-āhu

Diṭṭhiñca anupagamma Sīlavā dassanena sampanno Kāmesu vineyya gedhaṃ Na hi jātu gabbha-seyyaṃ punaretī'ti

### The Buddha's Words on Loving-Kindness

[Now let us chant the Buddha's words on loving-kindness]

[This is what should be done]
By one who is skilled in goodness
And who knows the path of peace:
Let them be able and upright,
Straightforward and gentle in speech,

Humble and not conceited,
Contented and easily satisfied,
Unburdened with duties and frugal in their ways.
Peaceful and calm, and wise and skilful,
Not proud and demanding in nature.

Let them not do the slightest thing That the wise would later reprove, Wishing: In gladness and in safety, May all beings be at ease.

Whatever living beings there may be, Whether they are weak or strong, omitting none, The great or the mighty, medium, short, or small,

The seen and the unseen,
Those living near and far away,
Those born and to be born,
May all beings be at ease.

Let none deceive another Or despise any being in any state.

Let none through anger or ill-will Wish harm upon another.

Even as a mother protects with her life Her child, her only child, So with a boundless heart Should one cherish all living beings, Radiating kindness over the entire world:

Spreading upwards to the skies And downwards to the depths, Outwards and unbounded, Freed from hatred and ill-will.

Whether standing or walking, seated, Or lying down – free from drowsiness – One should sustain this recollection. This is said to be the sublime abiding.

By not holding to fixed views,
The pure-hearted one, having clarity of vision,
Being freed from all sense-desires,
Is not born again into this world.

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### 4.4.4 Khandha-paritta

Virūpakkhehi me mettam mettam erāpathehi me Chabyā-puttehi me mettam mettam kanhā-gotamakehi ca

Apādakehi me mettaṃ mettaṃ dipādakehi me
Catuppadehi me mettaṃ mettaṃ bahuppadehi me
Mā maṃ apādako hiṃsi mā maṃ hiṃsi dipādako
Mā maṃ catuppado hiṃsi mā maṃ hiṃsi bahuppado
Sabbe sattā sabbe pāṇā sabbe bhūtā ca kevalā
Sabbe bhadrāni passantu mā kiñci pāpam-āgamā

#### Appamāno buddho appamāno dhammo

(This part is sometimes chanted on its own)

Appamāṇo buddho
appamāṇo dhammo
appamāṇo saṅgho
Pamāṇavantāni siriṃsapāni
ahi-vicchikā sata-padī
Uṇṇā-nābhī sarabhū mūsikā
Katā me rakkhā katā me parittā
paṭikkamantu bhūtāni
So'haṃ namo bhagavato
namo sattannaṃ
sammā-sambuddhānam

# The Group Protection

I have goodwill for the Virupakkhas, the Erapathas, goodwill for the Chabya descendants, and the Black Gotamakas.

I have goodwill for footless beings, two-footed beings, goodwill for four-footed, and many-footed beings.

May footless beings, two-footed beings do me no harm. May four-footed beings and many-footed beings do me no harm.

May all creatures, all breathing things, all beings

- each and every one -

meet with good fortune. May none of them come to any evil.

Limitless is the Buddha, limitless the Dhamma, limitless the Saṅgha.

There is a limit to creeping things – snakes, scorpions, centipedes, spiders, lizards and rats.

I have made this protection, I have made this spell. May the beings depart. I pay homage to the Blessed One, homage to the seven Rightly Self-awakened Ones.

### 4.4.5 Chaddanta-paritta

The Great Elephant Protection

Vadhissamenanti parāmasanto Kāsāvamaddakkhi dhajam isīnam Dukkhena phuṭṭhassudapādi saññā Arahaddhajo sabbhi avajjharūpo

Sallena viddho byathitopi santo Kāsāvavatthamhi manaṃ na dussayi Sace imaṃ nāgavarena saccaṃ Mā maṃ vane bālamigā agañchunti

#### 4.4.6 Mora-paritta

(a.m.)

Udet'ayañ-cakkhumā eka-rājā Harissa-vaṇṇo paṭhavippabhāso Taṃ taṃ namassāmi harissa-vaṇṇaṃ paṭhavippabhāsaṃ Tay'ajja guttā viharemu divasaṃ

Ye brāhmaṇā vedagu sabba-dhamme Te me namo te ca maṃ pālayantu Nam'atthu Buddhānaṃ nam'atthu bodhiyā Namo vimuttānaṃ namo vimuttiyā Imaṃ so parittaṃ katvā Moro carati esanā'ti

(p.m.)

Apet'ayañ-cakkhumā eka-rājā Harissa-vaṇṇo paṭhavippabhāso Taṃ taṃ namassāmi harissa-vaṇṇaṃ paṭhavippabhāsaṃ Tay'ajja guttā viharemu rattiṃ

Ye brāhmaṇā vedagu sabba-dhamme
Te me namo te ca maṃ pālayantu
Nam'atthu Buddhānaṃ nam'atthu bodhiyā
Namo vimuttānaṃ namo vimuttiyā
Imaṃ so parittaṃ katvā
Moro vāsam-akappayī'ti

### The Peacock's Protection

The One King, rising, with Vision, golden-hued, illuminating the Earth: I pay homage to you, golden-hued, illuminating the Earth.

Guarded today by you, may I live through the day.

Those Brahmans who are knowers of all truths, I pay homage to them; may they keep watch over me. Homage to the Awakened Ones. Homage to Awakening. Homage to the Released Ones. Homage to Release.

Having made this protection, the peacock sets out in search for food.

The One King, setting, with Vision, golden-hued, illuminating the Earth: I pay homage to you, golden-hued, illuminating the Earth.

Guarded today by you, may I live through the night.

Those Brahmans who are knowers of all truths,
I pay homage to them; may they keep watch over me.
Homage to the Awakened Ones. Homage to Awakening.
Homage to the Released Ones. Homage to Release.

Having made this protection, the peacock arranges his nest.

### 4.4.7 Vattaka-paritta

Atthi loke sīla-guņo
Tena saccena kāhāmi
Āvajjitvā dhamma-balaṃ
Sacca-balam-avassāya
Santi pakkhā apattanā
Mātā pitā ca nikkhantā
Saha sacce kate mayhaṃ
Vajjesi soļasa karīsāni
Saccena me samo n'atthi

saccaṃ soceyy'anuddayā sacca-kiriyam-anuttaraṃ saritvā pubbake jine sacca-kiriyam-akās'ahaṃ santi pādā avañcanā jāta-veda paṭikkama mahā-pajjalito sikhī udakaṃ patvā yathā sikhī esā me sacca-pāramī'ti

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### The Quail's Protection

There is in this world the quality of virtue, truth, purity, tenderness. In accordance with this truth I will make an unsurpassed vow of truth.

Sensing the strength of the Dhamma, calling to mind the victors of the past, in dependence on the strength of truth, I made an unsurpassed vow of truth:

Here are wings with no feathers; here are feet that can't walk. My mother and father have left me. Fire, go back! When I made my vow with truth, the great crested flames avoided the sixteen acres around me as if they had come to a body of water. My truth has no equal:

Such is my perfection of truth.

### 4.4.8 Buddha-dhamma-sangha-gunā

Iti pi so bhagavā arahaṃ sammā-sambuddho Vijjā-caraṇa-sampanno sugato loka-vidū Anuttaro purisa-damma-sārathi Satthā devamanussānaṃ buddho bhagavā'ti

Svākkhāto bhagavatā dhammo sandiṭṭhiko akāliko ehi-passiko opanayiko paccattaṃ veditabbo viññūhī'ti

Supaṭipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho
Uju-paṭipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho
Ñāya-paṭipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho
Sāmīci-paṭipanno bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho
Yad-idaṃ cattāri purisa-yugāni aṭṭha purisa-puggalā
Esa bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho
Āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjali-karaṇīyo
Anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassā'ti

#### 4.4.9 Araññe rukkha-mūle vā

Araññe rukkha-mūle vā Suññāgāre va bhikkhavo Anussaretha sambuddham Bhayam tumhāka no siyā No ce buddham sareyyātha Loka-jettham nar'āsabham Atha dhammam sareyyātha Niyyānikam sudesitam No ce dhammam sareyyātha Niyyānikam sudesitam Atha sangham sareyyātha Puññakkhettam anuttaram Evam-buddham sarantānam Dhammam sanghañ-ca bhikkhavo Bhayam vā chambhitattam vā Loma-hamso na hessatī'ti.

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# 4.4.10 Ātānātiya-paritta (short)

Vipassissa nam'atthu Sikhissa pi nam'atthu Vessabhussa nam'atthu Nam'atthu kakusandhassa Konāgamanassa nam'atthu Kassapassa nam'atthu Aṅgīrasassa nam'atthu

cakkhumantassa sirīmato sabba-bhūtānukampino nhātakassa tapassino māra-senappamaddino brāhmaṇassa vusīmato vippamuttassa sabbadhi sakya-puttassa sirīmato

Yo imam dhammam-adesesi

Ye cāpi nibbutā loke

Te janā apisuņā

Hitaṃ deva-manussānaṃ

Vijjā-caraṇa-sampannaṃ

Vijjā-caraṇa-sampannaṃ

sabba-dukkhāpanūdanam

yathā-bhūtam vipassisum

mahantā vīta-sāradā

yam namassanti gotamam

mahantam vīta-sāradam

buddham vandāma gotaman'ti

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# Homage to the Seven Past Buddhas

Homage to Vipassī, possessed of vision and splendor.

Homage to Sikhī, sympathetic to all beings.

Homage to Vesabhū, cleansed, austere.

Homage to Kakusandha, crusher of Māra's host.

Homage to Konāgamana, the Brahman who lived the life perfected.

Homage to Kassapa, everywhere released.

Homage to Angīrasa, splendid son of the Sakyans,

Who taught this Dhamma - the dispelling of all stress.

Those unbound in the world,

who have seen things as they have come to be,

Great Ones of gentle speech, thoroughly mature:

Even they pay homage to Gotama,

the benefit of human and heavenly beings,

consummate in knowledge and conduct,

the Great One, thoroughly mature.

We revere the Buddha Gotama,

consummate in knowledge and conduct.

# 4.4.11 Sacca-kiriyā-gāthā

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te/me hotu sabbadā
Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ dhammo me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te/me hotu sabbadā
Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi te/me hotu sabbadā

#### 4.4.12 Yankinci ratanam loke

Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ buddhasamaṃ Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ dhammasamaṃ Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ saṅghasamaṃ vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te
vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te
vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te

### 4.4.13 Sakkatvā buddharatanam

Sakkatvā buddharatanaṃ Hitaṃ devamanussānaṃ Nassantupaddavā sabbe Sakkatvā dhammaratanaṃ Pariḷāhūpasamanaṃ Nassantupaddavā sabbe osadham uttamam varam buddhatejena sotthinā dukkhā vūpasamentu te osadham uttamam varam dhammatejena sotthinā bhayā vūpasamentu te Sakkatvā saṅgharatanaṃ Āhuneyyaṃ pāhuneyyaṃ Nassantupaddavā sabbe osadham uttamam varam sanghatejena sotthinā rogā vūpasamentu te

The jet tamnaan sequence ends here and continues with the closing sequence.

### **Having Revered**

Having revered the jewel of the Buddha, the highest, most excellent medicine, the welfare of human and heavenly beings: Through the Buddha's majesty and safety, may all obstacles vanish. May your sufferings grow totally calm.

Having revered the jewel of the Dhamma, the highest, most excellent medicine, the stiller of feverish passion: Through the Dhamma's majesty and safety, may all obstacles vanish. May your fears grow totally calm.

Having revered the jewel of the Saṅgha, the highest, most excellent medicine, worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality: Through the Saṅgha's majesty and safety, may all obstacles vanish. May your diseases grow totally calm.

### 4.4.14 Angulimāla-paritta

Yato'haṃ bhagini ariyāya jātiyā jāto Nābhijānāmi sañcicca pāṇaṃ jīvitā voropetā Tena saccena sotthi te hotu sotthi gabbhassa

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(Three times)

Sister, since being born in the Noble Birth,
I am not aware that I have intentionally deprived a being of life.
By this truth may you be well,
and so may the child in your womb.

### 4.4.15 Bojjhanga-paritta

Bojjhango sati-sankhāto Viriyam-pīti-passaddhi Samādh'upekkha-bojjhangā Muninā sammad-akkhātā Samvattanti abhiññāya Etena sacca-vajjena Ekasmim samaye nātho Gilāne dukkhite disvā Te ca tam abhinanditvā Etena sacca-vajjena Ekadā dhamma-rājā pi Cundattherena tañ-ñeva Sammoditvā ca ābādhā Etena sacca-vajjena Pahīnā te ca ābādhā Magg'āhata-kilesā va Etena sacca-vajjena

dhammānam vicayo tathā bojjhangā ca tathā'pare satt'ete sabba-dassinā bhāvitā bahulīkatā nibbānāya ca bodhiyā sotthi te hotu sabbadā moggallānañ-ca kassapam bojjhange satta desayi rogā muccimsu tan-khane sotthi te hotu sabbadā gelaññenābhipīlito bhanāpetvāna sādaram tamhā vutthāsi thānaso sotthi te hotu sabbadā tinnannam-pi mahesinam pattānuppatti-dhammatam sotthi te hotu sabbadā

# The Factors of Awakening Protection

The factors for Awakening include: mindfulness, analysis of qualities, persistence, rapture, and calm as factors for Awakening, plus concentration and equanimity.

These seven, which the All-seeing Sage has rightly taught, when developed and matured, bring about heightened knowledge, Unbinding and Awakening.

By the utterance of this truth, may you always be well.

At one time, our Protector – seeing that Moggallāna and Kassapa were sick and in pain – taught them the seven factors for Awakening.

They, delighting in that, were instantly freed from their illness.

By the utterance of this truth, may you always be well.

Once, when the Dhamma King was afflicted with fever, he had the Elder Cunda recite that very teaching with devotion. And as he approved, he rose up from that disease.

By the utterance of this truth, may you always be well.

Those diseases were abandoned by the three great seers, just as defilements are demolished by the Path in accordance with step-by-step attainment.

By the utterance of this truth, may you always be well.

# 4.4.16 Abhaya-paritta

Yan-dunnimittam avamangalan-ca Yo cāmanāpo sakunassa saddo Pāpaggaho dussupinam akantam Buddhānubhāvena vināsamentu

Yan-dunnimittam avamangalañ-ca Yo cāmanāpo sakunassa saddo Pāpaggaho dussupinam akantam Dhammānubhāvena vināsamentu

Yan-dunnimittam avamangalañ-ca Yo cāmanāpo sakunassa saddo Pāpaggaho dussupinam akantam Sanghānubhāvena vināsamentu

The sipsong tamnaan sequence ends here and continues with the closing sequence.

### The Danger-free Protection

Whatever unlucky portents and ill omens, and whatever distressing bird calls, evil planets, upsetting nightmares:

By the Buddha's power may they be destroyed.

Whatever unlucky portents and ill omens, and whatever distressing bird calls, evil planets, upsetting nightmares:

By the Dhamma's power may they be destroyed.

Whatever unlucky portents and ill omens, and whatever distressing bird calls, evil planets, upsetting nightmares:

By the Sangha's power may they be destroyed.

### 4.5 Closing Sequence

### 4.5.1 Devatā-uyyojana-gāthā

Dukkhappattā ca niddukkhā
Sokappattā ca nissokā
Ettāvatā ca amhehi
Sabbe devānumodantu
Dānaṃ dadantu saddhāya
Bhāvanābhiratā hontu
[Sabbe buddhā] balappattā
Arahantānañ-ca tejena

bhayappattā ca nibbhayā
hontu sabbe pi pāṇino
sambhataṃ puñña-sampadaṃ
sabba-sampatti-siddhiyā
sīlaṃ rakkhantu sabbadā
gacchantu devatā-gatā
paccekānañ-ca yaṃ balaṃ
rakkham bandhāmi sabbaso

# Verses on Sending Off the Devatā

May all beings: who have fallen into suffering be without suffering, who have fallen into danger be without danger, who have fallen into sorrow be without sorrow.

For the sake of all attainment and success, may all heavenly beings rejoice in the extent to which we have gathered a consummation of merit.

May they give gifts with conviction, may they always maintain virtue.

May they delight in meditation. May they go to a heavenly destination.

From the strength attained by all the Buddhas, the strength of the Private Buddhas, by the majesty of the arahants, I bind this protection all around.

### 4.5.2 Jaya-mangala-attha-gāthā

Bāhuṃ sahassam-abhinimmita sāvudhan-taṃ Grīmekhalaṃ udita-ghora-sasena-māraṃ Dān'ādi-dhamma-vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Mārātirekam-abhiyujjhita-sabba-rattiṃ Ghoram-pan'āļavakam-akkhama-thaddha-yakkhaṃ Khantī-sudanta-vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Nāļāgirim gaja-varam atimatta-bhūtam Dāv'aggi-cakkam-asanīva sudāruņan-tam Mett'ambu-seka-vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Ukkhitta-khaggam-atihattha-sudāruṇan-taṃ Dhāvan-ti-yojana-path'aṅguli- mālavantaṃ Iddhī'bhisaṅkhata-mano jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni Katvāna kaṭṭham-udaraṃ iva gabbhinīyā Ciñcāya duṭṭha-vacanaṃ jana-kāya majjhe Santena soma-vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Saccam vihāya-mati-saccaka-vāda-ketum Vādābhiropita-manam ati-andha-bhūtam Paññā-padīpa-jalito jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Nandopananda-bhujagam vibudham mah'iddhim Puttena thera-bhujagena damāpayanto Iddhūpadesa-vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Duggāha-diṭṭhi-bhujagena sudaṭṭha-hatthaṃ Brahmaṃ visuddhi-jutim-iddhi-bakābhidhānaṃ Ñāṇāgadena vidhinā jitavā mun'indo Tan-tejasā bhavatu te jaya-maṅgalāni

Etā pi buddha-jaya-maṅgala-aṭṭha-gāthā Yo vācano dina-dine saratem-atandī Hitvān'aneka-vividhāni c'upaddavāni Mokkham sukham adhigameyya naro sapañño

# Verses on the Buddha's Victories

Creating a form with a thousand arms, each equipped with a weapon,

Māra, on the elephant Girimekhala, uttered a frightening roar together with his troops.

The Lord of Sages defeated him by means of such qualities as generosity:

By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Even more frightful than Māra making war all night, was Āļavaka, the arrogant unstable ogre.

The Lord of Sages defeated him by means of well-trained endurance:

By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Nāļāgiri, the excellent elephant, when maddened, was very horrific, like a forest fire, a flaming discus, a lightning bolt.

The Lord of Sages defeated him by sprinkling the water of goodwill:

By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Very horrific, with a sword upraised in his expert hand, Garlanded-with-Fingers ran three leages along the path. The Lord of Sages defeated him with mind-fashioned marvels: By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Having made a wooden belly to appear pregnant, Ciñcā made a lewd accusation in the midst of the gathering. The Lord of Sages defeated her with peaceful, gracious means: By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Saccaka, whose provocative views had abandoned the truth, his mind delighting in argument, had become thoroughly blind. The Lord of Sages defeated him with the light of discernment: By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

Nandopananda was a serpent with great power but wrong views. The Lord of Sages defeated him by means of a display of marvels, sending his son (Moggallāna), the serpent-elder, to tame him: By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

His hands bound tight by the serpent of wrongly held views, Baka, the Brahmā, thought himself pure in his radiance and power. The Lord of Sages defeated him by means of his words of knowledge: By the majesty of this, may you have blessings of victory.

These eight verses of the Buddha's blessings of victory: Whatever person of discernment recites or recalls them day after day without lapsing, destroying all kinds of obstacles, will attain liberation and happiness.

# 4.5.3 Jaya-paritta

Mahā-kāruṇiko nātho Hitāya sabba-pāṇinaṃ Pūretvā pāramī sabbā Patto sambodhim-uttamaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena Hotu te jaya-maṅgalaṃ

### Jayanto bodhiyā mūle

(This part is sometimes chanted on its own)

Jayanto bodhiyā mūle Sakyānaṃ nandi-vaḍḍhano Evaṃ tvaṃ vijayo hohi Jayassu jaya-maṅgale Aparājita-pallaṅke Sīse paṭhavi-pokkhare

Abhiseke sabba-buddhānaṃ Aggappatto pamodati Sunakkhattaṃ sumaṅgalaṃ Supabhātaṃ suhuṭṭhitaṃ Sukhaṇo sumuhutto ca Suyiṭṭhaṃ brahma-cārisu

Padakkhiṇaṃ kāya-kammaṃ Vācā-kammaṃ padakkhiṇaṃ Padakkhiṇaṃ mano-kammaṃ Paṇidhi te padakkhiṇā Padakkhiṇāni katvāna Labhant'atthe padakkhiṇe

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### Victory Protection

(The Buddha), our protector, with great compassion, for the welfare of all beings, having fulfilled all the perfections, attained the highest self-awakening.

By the utterance of this truth, may you have a blessing of victory.

Victorious at the foot of the Bodhi tree, was he who increased the Sakyans' delight. May you have the same sort of victory.

May you win blessings of victory.

At the head of the lotus leaf of the world on the undefeated seat consecrated by all the Buddhas, he rejoiced in the utmost attainment.

A lucky star it is, a lucky blessing,
a lucky dawn, a lucky sacrifice,
a lucky instant, a lucky moment,
a lucky offering: i.e., a rightful bodily act
a rightful verbal act, a rightful mental act,
your rightful intentions
with regard to those who lead the holy life.
Doing these rightful things, your rightful aims are achieved.

### 4.5.4 So attha-laddho

So attha-laddho sukhito viruļho buddha-sāsane Arogo sukhito hohi saha sabbehi ñātibhi (×3)

May he gain in his aims, be happy, and flourish in the Buddha's teachings. May you, together with all your relatives, be happy and free from disease.

#### 4.5.5 Sā attha-laddhā

Sā attha-laddhā sukhitā viruļhā buddha-sāsane Arogā sukhitā hohi saha sabbehi ñātibhi (×3)

#### 4.5.6 Te attha-laddhā sukhitā

Te attha-laddhā sukhitā viruļhā buddha-sāsane

Arogā sukhitā hotha saha sabbehi ñātibhi (×3) A.I.294

### 4.5.7 Bhavatu sabba-mangalam

Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ rakkhantu sabba-devatā Sabba-buddhānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ rakkhantu sabba-devatā Sabba-dhammānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ rakkhantu sabba-devatā Sabba-saṅghānubhāvena sadā sotthī bhavantu te

# 4.6 Mahā-kāruņiko nātho'ti ādikā gāthā

Mahā-kāruṇiko nātho Atthāya sabba-pāṇinaṃ Hitāya sabba-pāṇinaṃ Sukhāya sabba-pāṇinaṃ

Pūretvā pāramī sabbā Patto sambodhim-uttamaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena Mā hontu sabb'upaddavā

# 4.7 Āṭānāṭiya-paritta (long)

(Solo introduction)

Appasannehi nāthassa Amanussehi caṇḍehi Parisānañca-tassannam Yandesesi mahāvīro sāsane sādhusammate sadā kibbisakāribhi ahiṃsāya ca guttiyā parittan-tam bhaṇāma se

(If starting with Vipassissa..., continue below without the solo introduction)

[Namo me sabbabuddhānam] Tanhankaro mahāvīro Saranankaro lokahito Kondañño janapāmokkho Sumano sumano dhīro Sobhito gunasampanno Padumo lokapajjoto Padumuttaro sattasāro Sujāto sabbalokaggo Atthadassī kāruniko Siddhattho asamo loke Phusso ca varado buddho Sikhī sabbahito satthā Kakusandho satthavāho Kassapo sirisampanno Ete caññe ca sambuddhā Sabbe buddhā asamasamā Sabbe dasabalūpetā

uppannānam mahesinam medhańkaro mahāyaso dīpaṅkaro jutindharo mangalo purisāsabho revato rativaddhano anomadassī januttamo nārado varasārathī sumedho appatipuggalo piyadassī narāsabho dhammadassī tamonudo tisso ca vadatam varo vipassī ca anūpamo vessabhū sukhadāyako konāgamano ranañjaho gotamo sakyapungavo anekasatakotayo sabbe buddhā mahiddhikā vesārajjehupāgatā

Sabbe te patijānanti Sīhanādam nadantete Brahmacakkam pavattenti Upetā buddhadhammehi Dvattimsa-lakkhanūpetā Byāmappabhāya suppabhā Buddhā sabbaññuno ete Mahappabhā mahātejā Mahākārunikā dhīrā Dīpā nāthā patiţthā Gatī bandhū mahassāsā Sadevakassa lokassa Tesāham sirasā pāde Vacasā manasā ceva Sayane āsane thāne Sadā sukhena rakkhantu Tehi tvam rakkhito santo Sabba-rogavinimutto Sabba-veramatikkanto Tesam saccena sīlena Tepi tumhe\* anurakkhantu Puratthimasmim disābhāge Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu

āsabhanthānamuttamam parisāsu visāradā loke appaţivattiyam atthārasahi nāyakā sītyānubyañjanādharā sabbe te munikuñjarā sabbe khīnāsavā jinā mahāpaññā mahabbalā sabbesānam sukhāvahā ca tāṇā leṇā ca pāṇinam saraṇā ca hitesino sabbe ete parāyanā vandāmi purisuttame vandāmete tathāgate gamane cāpi sabbadā buddhā santikarā tuvam mutto sabbabhayena ca sabba-santāpavajjito nibbuto ca tuvam bhava khantimettābalena ca ārogyena sukhena ca santi bhūtā mahiddhikā ārogyena sukhena ca

<sup>\*</sup>If chanting for oneself, change *tumhe* to *amhe* here and in the lines below.

Dakkhiṇasmiṃ disābhāge
Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu
Pacchimasmiṃ disābhāge
Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu
Uttarasmiṃ disābhāge
Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu
Purimadisaṃ dhataraṭṭho
Pacchimena virūpakkho
Cattāro te mahārājā
Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu
Ākāsaṭṭhā ca bhummaṭṭhā
Tepi tumhe anurakkhantu

santi devā mahiddhikā ārogyena sukhena ca santi nāgā mahiddhikā ārogyena sukhena ca santi yakkhā mahiddhikā ārogyena sukhena ca dakkhiņena viruļhako kuvero uttaram disam lokapālā yasassino ārogyena sukhena ca devā nāgā mahiddhikā ārogyena sukhena ca

### Natthi me saranam aññam

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ Etena saccavajjena Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ Etena saccavajjena Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ Etena saccavajjena

buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ hotu te\* jayamaṅgalaṃ dhammo me saraṇaṃ varaṃ hotu te jayamaṅgalaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ hotu te jayamaṅgalaṃ

<sup>\*</sup>If chanting for oneself, change te to me here and in the lines below.

#### Yankiñci ratanam loke

Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ buddhasamaṃ Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ dhammasamaṃ Yaṅkiñci ratanaṃ loke Ratanaṃ saṅghasamaṃ vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te
vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te
vijjati vividham puthu
natthi tasmā sotthī bhavantu te

#### Sakkatvā

Sakkatvā buddharatanam Hitam devamanussānam Nassantupaddavā sabbe Sakkatvā dhammaratanam Pariļāhūpasamanam Nassantupaddavā sabbe Sakkatvā saṅgharatanam Āhuneyyam pāhuneyyam Nassantupaddavā sabbe osadham uttamam varam buddhatejena sotthinā dukkhā vūpasamentu te osadham uttamam varam dhammatejena sotthinā bhayā vūpasamentu te osadham uttamam varam saṅghatejena sotthinā rogā vūpasamentu te

# Sabbītiyo vivajjantu

Sabbītiyo vivajjantu Mā te bhavatvantarāyo Abhivādanasīlissa Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti sabbarogo vinassatu sukhī dīghāyuko bhava niccaṃ vuḍḍhāpacāyino āyu vaṇṇo sukhaṃ balaṃ

#### 4.8 The Twenty-Eight Buddhas' Protection

Solo introduction

We will now recite the discourse given by the Great Hero (the Buddha), as a protection for virtue-loving human beings, Against harm from all evil-doing, malevolent non-humans who are displeased with the Buddha's Teachings.

Homage to all Buddhas, the mighty who have arisen:

Taṇhaṅkara, the great hero, Medhaṅkara, the renowned,

Saraṇaṅkara, who guarded the world, Dīpaṅkara, the light-bearer,

Koṇḍañña, liberator of people, Maṅgala, great leader of people,

Sumana, kindly and wise, Revata, increaser of joy,

Sobhita, perfected in virtues, Anomadassī, greatest of beings,

Paduma, illuminer of the world, Nārada, true charioteer,

Padumuttara, most excellent of beings, Sumedha,

the unequalled one,

Sujāta, summit of the world, Piyadassī, great leader of men, Atthadassī, the compassionate, Dhammadassī, destroyer of darkness,

Siddhattha, unequalled in the world, and Tissa, speaker of Truth, Phussa, bestower of blessings, Vipassī, the incomparable, Sikhī, the bliss-bestowing teacher, Vessabhū, giver of happiness, Kakusandha, the caravan leader, Koṇāgamana, abandoner of ills,

Kassapa, perfect in glory, Gotama, chief of the Sakyans.

These and all self-enlightened Buddhas are also peerless ones, All the Buddhas together, all of mighty power, All endowed with the Ten Powers, attained to highest knowledge,

All of these are accorded the supreme place of leadership.

They roar the lion's roar with confidence among their followers,
They observe with the divine eye, unhindered, all the world.

The leaders endowed with the eighteen kinds of Buddha-Dhamma,
The thirty-two major and eighty minor marks of a great being,
Shining with fathom-wide haloes, all these elephant-like sages,
All these omniscient Buddhas, conquerors free of corruption,
Of mighty brilliance, mighty power, of mighty wisdom,
mighty strength,

Of mighty compassion and wisdom, bearing bliss to all, Islands, guardians and supports, shelters and caves for all beings, Resorts, kinsmen and comforters, benevolent givers of refuge, These are all the final resting place for the world with its deities. With my head at their feet I salute these greatest of humans. With both speech and thought I venerate those Tathāgatas, Whether lying down, seated or standing, or walking anywhere. May they ever guard your happiness, the Buddhas,

And may you, guarded by them, at peace, freed from all fear, Released from all illness, safe from all torments, Having transcended hatred, may you gain cessation.

bringers of peace,

By the power of their truth, their virtue and love,
May they protect and guard you in health and happiness.
In the Eastern quarter are beings of great power,
May they protect and guard you in health and happiness.
In the Southern quarter are deities of great power,
May they protect and guard you in health and happiness.

In the Western quarter are dragons of great power,
May they protect and guard you in health and happiness.
In the Northern quarter are spirits of great power,
May they protect and guard you in health and happiness.
In the East is Dhataraṭṭha, in the South is Viruḥhaka,
In the West is Virūpakkha, Kuvera rules the North.
These Four Mighty Kings, far-famed guardians of the world,
May they all be your protectors in health and happiness.
Sky-dwelling and earth-dwelling gods and dragons of great power,
May they all be your protectors in health and happiness.
For me there is no other refuge, the Buddha is my excellent refuge:
By this declaration of truth may the blessings of victory be yours.
For me there is no other refuge,

the Dhamma is my excellent refuge:

By this declaration of truth may the blessings of victory be yours. For me there is no other refuge, the Saṅgha is my excellent refuge: By this declaration of truth may the blessings of victory be yours.

Whatever jewel may be found in the world, however splendid, There is no jewel equal to the Buddha,

therefore may you be blessed.

Whatever jewel may be found in the world, however splendid, There is no jewel equal to the Dhamma,

therefore may you be blessed.

Whatever jewel may be found in the world, however splendid, There is no jewel equal to the Sangha,

therefore may you be blessed.

If you venerate the Buddha jewel, the supreme,

excellent protection,

Which benefits gods and humans, then in safety,

by the Buddha's power,

All dangers will be prevented, your sorrows will pass away.

If you venerate the Dhamma jewel, the supreme,

excellent protection,

Which calms all fevered states, then in safety,

by the Dhamma's power,

All dangers will be prevented, your fears will pass away.

If you venerate the Sangha jewel, the supreme,

excellent protection,

Worthy of gifts and hospitality, then in safety,

by the Sangha's power,

All dangers will be prevented, your sicknesses will pass away.

May all calamities be avoided, may all illness pass away,

May no dangers threaten you, may you be happy and long-lived,

Greeted kindly and welcome everywhere.

May four things accrue to you: long life, beauty, bliss, and strength.

### 4.9 Pabbatopama-gāthā

Verses on Mountains

Yathā pi selā vipulā

Samantā anupariyeyyum

Evam jarā ca maccu ca

Khattiye brāhmaņe vesse

Na kiñci parivajjeti

nabham āhacca pabbatā

nippothentā catuddisā

adhivattanti pāṇino

sudde caṇḍāla-pukkuse

sabbam-evābhimaddati

Na tattha hatthīnaṃ bhūmi Na cāpi manta-yuddhena Tasmā hi paṇḍito poso Buddhe dhamme ca saṅghe ca Yo dhamma-cārī kāyena Idh'eva naṃ pasaṃsanti na rathānaṃ na pattiyā sakkā jetuṃ dhanena vā sampassaṃ attham-attano dhīro saddhaṃ nivesaye vācāya uda cetasā pecca sagge pamodati

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### 4.10 Bhāra-sutta-gāthā

Verses on the Burden

Bhārā have pañcakkhandhā Bhār'ādānam dukkham loke bhāra-hāro ca puggalo bhāra-nikkhepanaṃ sukhaṃ

The five aggregates indeed are burdens, The beast of burden though is man. In this world to take up burdens is dukkha. Putting them down brings happiness.

Nikkhipitvā garuṃ bhāraṃ Samūlaṃ taṇhaṃ abbuyha aññaṃ bhāraṃ anādiya nicchāto parinibbuto

A heavy burden cast away,
Not taking on another load,
With craving pulled out from the root,
Desires stilled, one is released.

# 4.11 Khemākhema-saraņa-gamana-paridīpikā-gāthā

True and False Refuges

Bahuṃ ve saraṇaṃ yanti pabbatāni vanāni ca Ārāma-rukkha-cetyāni manussā bhaya-tajjitā

To many refuges they go —
To mountain slopes and forest glades,
To parkland shrines and sacred sites —
People overcome by fear.

N'etaṃ kho saraṇaṃ khemaṃ N'etaṃ saraṇam-āgamma n'etaṃ saraṇam-uttamaṃ sabba-dukkhā pamuccati

Such a refuge is not secure,
Such a refuge is not supreme,
Such a refuge does not bring
Complete release from suffering.

Yo ca buddhañ-ca dhammañ-ca Cattāri ariya-saccāni

Whoever goes to refuge
In the Triple Gem
Sees with right discernment
The Four Noble Truths:

Dukkham dukkha-samuppādam Ariyañ-c'aṭṭh'aṅgikam maggam

Suffering and its origin
And that which lies beyond —

saṅghañ-ca saraṇaṃ gato sammappaññāya passati

dukkhassa ca atikkamaṃ dukkhūpasama-gāminaṃ The Noble Eightfold Path
That leads the way to suff'ring's end.

Etaṃ kho saraṇaṃ khemaṃ etaṃ saraṇam-uttamaṃ Etaṃ saraṇam-āgamma sabba-dukkhā pamuccatī'ti.

Such a refuge is secure,
Such a refuge is supreme,
Such a refuge truly brings
Complete release from all suffering.

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# 4.12 Bhadd'eka-ratta-gāthā

Verses on a Shining Night of Prosperity

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ Yad'atītaṃ pahīnan-taṃ appattañca anāgataṃ

One should not revive the past
Nor speculate on what's to come;
The past is left behind,
The future is un-realized.

Paccuppannañca yo dhammam tattha tattha vipassati Asaṃhiraṃ asaṅkuppaṃ taṃ viddhām-anubrūhaye

In every presently arisen state There, just there, one clearly sees; Unmoved, unagitated, Such insight is one's strength.

Ajj'eva kiccam-ātappaṃ ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve Na hi no saṅgaran-tena mahā-senena maccunā

Ardently doing one's task today,
Tomorrow, who knows, death may come;
Facing the mighty hordes of death,
Indeed one cannot strike a deal.

Evam vihārim-ātāpim aho-rattam-atanditam Tam ve bhadd'eka-ratto'ti santo ācikkhate muni

To dwell with energy aroused
Thus for a night of non-decline,
That is a 'night of shining prosperity.'
So it was taught by the Peaceful Sage.

M.III.187

# 4.13 Ti-lakkhaņ'ādi-gāthā

Sabbe saṅkhārā aniccā'ti Atha nibbindati dukkhe Sabbe saṅkhārā dukkhā'ti Atha nibbindati dukkhe Sabbe dhammā anattā'ti Atha nibbindati dukkhe yadā paññāya passati esa maggo visuddhiyā yadā paññāya passati esa maggo visuddhiyā yadā paññāya passati esa maggo visuddhiyā

Dhp 277-279

Appakā te manussesu
Athāyam itarā pajā
Ye ca kho sammad-akkhāte
Te janā pāram-essanti
Kanham dhammam vippahāya
Okā anokam-āgamma
Tatrābhiratim-iccheyya
Pariyodapeyya attānam
Yesam sambodhiy-angesu
Ādāna-paṭinissagge
Khīn'āsavā jutimanto

ye janā pāra-gāmino
tīram-evānudhāvati
dhamme dhammānuvattino
maccu-dheyyam suduttaram
sukkam bhāvetha paṇḍito
viveke yattha dūramam
hitvā kāme akiñcano
citta-klesehi paṇḍito
sammā cittam subhāvitam
anupādāya ye ratā
te loke parinibbutā'ti

Dhp 85-89

# Verses on the Three Characteristics

'Impermanent are all conditioned things' — When with wisdom this is seen One feels weary of all dukkha; This is the path to purity.

'Dukkha are all conditioned things' — When with wisdom this is seen One feels weary of all dukkha; This is the path to purity.

'There is no self in anything' — When with wisdom this is seen One feels weary of all dukkha; This is the path to purity.

Few amongst humankind Are those who go beyond, Yet there are the many folks Ever wand'ring on this shore.

Wherever Dhamma is well-taught, Those who train in line with it Are the ones who will cross over The realm of death so hard to flee.

Abandoning the darker states,
The wise pursue the bright;
From the floods dry land they reach
Living withdrawn so hard to do.
Such rare delight one should desire,
Sense pleasures cast away,
Not having anything.

### 4.14 Dhamma-gārav'ādi-gāthā

Verses on Respect for the Dhamma

Ye ca atītā sambuddhā ye ca buddhā anāgatā Yo c'etarahi sambuddho bahunnaṃ soka-nāsano

All the Buddhas of the past, All the Buddhas yet to come, The Buddha of this current age — Dispellers of much sorrow. Sabbe saddhamma-garuno vihariṃsu viharanti ca Atho pi viharissanti esā buddhāna dhammatā

Those having lived or living now, Those living in the future, All do revere the True Dhamma — That is the nature of all Buddhas.

Tasmā hi atta-kāmena mahattam-abhikankhatā Saddhammo garu-kātabbo saram buddhāna sāsanam

Therefore desiring one's own welfare,
Pursuing greatest aspirations,
One should revere the True Dhamma —
Recollecting the Buddha's teaching.

S.I.140

Na hi dhammo adhammo ca Ubho sama-vipākino Adhammo nirayaṃ neti Dhammo pāpeti suggatiṃ

What is true Dhamma and what not
Will never have the same results,
While lack of Dhamma leads to hell-realms —
True Dhamma takes one on a good course.
Dhammo have rakkhati dhamma-cāriṃ
Dhammo suciṇṇo sukham-āvahāti
Esānisamso dhamme sucinne

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The Dhamma guards who lives in line with it And leads to happiness when practised well — This is the blessing of well-practised Dhamma.

Thag 303-304

# 4.15 Paţhama-buddha-bhāsita-gāthā

Verses on the Buddha's First Exclamation

Aneka-jāti-saṃsāraṃ sandhāvissaṃ anibbisaṃ Gaha-kāraṃ gavesanto dukkhā jāti punappunaṃ

For many lifetimes in the round of birth, Wandering on endlessly,
For the builder of this house I searched —
How painful is repeated birth.

Gaha-kāraka diṭṭho'si puna gehaṃ na kāhasi Sabbā te phāsukā bhaggā gaha-kūṭaṃ visaṅkhataṃ Visaṅkhāra-gataṃ cittaṃ taṇhānaṃ khayam-ajjhagā

House-builder you've been seen,
Another home you will not build,
All your rafters have been snapped,
Dismantled is your ridge-pole;
The non-constructing mind
Has come to craving's end.

#### 4.16 Pacchima-ovāda-gāthā

Verses on the Last Instructions

Handa dāni bhikkhave āmantayāmi vo Vaya-dhammā saṅkhārā Appamādena sampādethā'ti Ayaṃ tathāgatassa pacchimā vācā

'Now, take heed, bhikkhus, I caution you thus: Dissolution is the nature of all conditions. Therefore strive on with diligence!' These are the final words of the Tathāgata.

D.II.156

#### 4.17 Ye dhammā hetuppabhavā

Arising From a Cause

Ye dhammā hetuppabhavā Tesaṃ hetuṃ tathāgato āha Tesañca yo nirodho Evaṃ-vādī mahāsamaṇo'ti

Whatever phenomena arise from a cause, The Tathāgata has explained their cause, And also their cessation. That is the teaching of the Great Ascetic.

Mv.1.23.5

4. PARITTA CHANTS 125

#### 4.18 Nakkhattayakkha

The paritta chanting may be closed with the following:

Nakkhatta-yakkha-bhūtānaṃ Pāpa-ggaha-nivāraṇā Parittassānubhāvena Hantvā tesaṃ upaddave

(Three times)

#### 4.19 Verses on Respect

Satthu-garu dhamma-garu, Saṅghe ca tibba-gāravo, Samādhi-garu ātāpī, Sikkhāya tibba-gāravo, Appamāda-garu bhikkhu, Paṭisanthāra-gāravo: Abhabbo parihānāya, Nibbānasseva santike.

One with respect for the Buddha and Dhamma, and strong respect for the Saṅgha, one who is ardent, with respect for concentration, and strong respect for the Training, one who sees danger and respects being heedful, and shows respect in welcoming guests.

A person like this cannot decline, stands right in the presence of Nibbāna.

# 5. anumodanā

#### 5.1 Yathā vāri-vahā pūrā

Just as Rivers

Yathā vāri-vahā pūrā paripūrenti sāgaraṃ Just as rivers full of water entirely fill up the sea,

Evam-eva ito dinnam petānam upakappati

So will what's here been given bring blessings to departed spirits.

Khp.VII.v8

Icchitam patthitam tumham

May all your hopes and all your longings

Khippam-eva samijjhatu

Come true in no long time.

Sabbe pūrentu sankappā

May all your wishes be fulfilled

Cando paṇṇaraso yathā

Like on the fifteenth day the moon

Mani jotiraso yathā

Or like a bright and shining gem.

DhpA.I.198

Sabb'ītiyo vivajjantu

May all misfortunes be avoided,

Sabba-rogo vinassatu

May all illness be dispelled,

Mā te bhavatv-antarāyo

May you never meet with dangers,

Sukhī dīgh'āyuko bhava

May you be happy and live long.

Abhivādana-sīlissa Niccaṃ vuḍḍhāpacāyino Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti Āyu vanno sukham balam

For those who are respectful,
Who always honour the elders,
Four are the qualities which will increase:
Life, beauty, happiness and strength.

Dhp 109

Bhavatu sabba-mangalam

May every blessing come to be

Rakkhantu sabba-devatā

And all good spirits guard you well.

Sabba-buddhānubhāvena

Through the power of all Buddhas

Sadā sotthī bhavantu te

May you always be at ease.

Bhavatu sabba-mangalam

May every blessing come to be

Rakkhantu sabba-devatā

And all good spirits guard you well.

Sabba-dhammānubhāvena

Through the power of all Dhammas

Sadā sotthī bhavantu te

May you always be at ease.

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May every blessing come to be

Rakkhantu sabba-devatā

And all good spirits guard you well.

Sabba-sanghānubhāvena

Through the power of all Sanghas

Sadā sotthī bhavantu te

May you always be at ease.

### Sabba-roga-vinimutto

(This shorter form is sometimes used instead of 'Yathā...')

Sabba-roga-vinimutto sabba-santāpa-vajjito

Sabba-veram-atikkanto
nibbuto ca tuvam-bhava
Sabb'ītiyo vivajjantu
sabba-rogo vinassatu
Mā te bhavatv-antarāyo
sukhī dīgh'āyuko bhava
Abhivādana-sīlissa
niccaṃ vuḍḍhāpacāyino
Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti
āyu vaṇno sukham balam

Dhp 109

May you be freed from all disease, safe from all torment, beyond all animosity and at peace.

May all misfortunes be avoided...

#### 5.2 Bhojana-dānānumodanā

Āyu-do bala-do dhīrovaṇṇa-do paṭibhāṇa-doSukhassa dātā medhāvīsukhaṃ so adhigacchatiĀyuṃ datvā balaṃ vaṇṇaṃsukhañ-ca paṭibhāna-doDīgh'āyu yasavā hotiyattha yatthūpapajjatī'ti

The enlightened person, having given life, strength, beauty, quick-wittedness – The intelligent person, a giver of happiness – attain happiness themselves. Having given life, strength, beauty, happiness, and quick-wittedness, They have a long life and status wherever they arise.

# 5.3 Aggappasāda-sutta-gāthā

Aggato ve pasannānaṃ
Agge Buddhe pasannānaṃ
Agge dhamme pasannānaṃ
Agge saṅghe pasannānaṃ
Aggasmiṃ dānaṃ dadataṃ
Aggaṃ āyu ca vaṇṇo ca
Aggassa dātā medhāvī
Deva-bhūto manusso vā

aggaṃ dhammaṃ vijānataṃ dakkhiṇeyye anuttare virāgūpasame sukhe puññakkhette anuttare aggaṃ puññaṃ pavaḍḍhati yaso kitti sukhaṃ balaṃ agga-dhamma-samāhito aggappatto pamodatī'ti

For one with confidence, realising the supreme Dhamma to be supreme. With confidence in the Buddha, unsurpassed in deserving offerings. With confidence in the supreme Dhamma, the happiness of dispassion and calm. With confidence in the supreme Saṅgha, unsurpassed as a field of merit.

Having given gifts to the supreme, one develops supreme merit, supreme long life and beauty, status, honor, happiness and strength. Having given to the supreme, the intelligent person, firm in the supreme Dhamma, Whether becoming a deva or a human being, rejoices, having attained the supreme.

A.II.35; A.III.36

#### 5.4 Adāsi-me ādi-gāthā

Adāsi me akāsi me Petānaṃ dakkhiṇaṃ dajjā Na hi ruṇṇaṃ vā soko vā Na taṃ petānam-atthāya ñāti-mittā sakhā ca me pubbe katam-anussaraṃ yā v'aññā paridevanā evaṃ tiṭṭhanti ñātayo

Ayañ-ca kho dakkhiṇā dinnā
Saṅghamhi supatiṭṭhitā
Dīgha-rattaṃ hitāy'assa
Ṭhānaso upakappati
So ñāti-dhammo ca ayaṃ nidassito
Petāna'pūjā ca katā uļārā
Balañ-ca bhikkhūnam-anuppadinnaṃ
Tumhehi puññaṃ pasutaṃ anappakan'ti.

"He gave to me, he acted on my behalf, and he was my relative, companion, friend." Offerings should be given for the dead when one reflects thus on what was done in the past. For no weeping or sorrowing or any kind of lamentation benefit the dead whose relatives keep acting in that way.

But when this offering is given, well-placed in the Sangha, it works for their long-term benefit and they profit immediately. In this way the proper duty to relatives has been shown and great honour has been done to the dead and the monks have been given strength: You have acquried merit that is not small.

#### 5.5 Kāla-dāna-sutta-gāthā

Kāle dadanti sapaññāvadaññū vīta-maccharāKālena dinnaṃ ariyesuuju-bhūtesu tādisuVippasanna-manā tassavipulā hoti dakkhiṇāYe tattha anumodantiveyyāvaccaṃ karonti vāNa tena dakkhiṇā onāte pi puññassa bhāginoTasmā dade appaṭivāna-cittoyattha dinnaṃ mahapphalaṃPuññāni para-lokasmiṃpatiṭṭhā honti pāṇinan'ti

Those with discernment, responsive, free from stinginess, give in the proper season. Having given in the proper season with hearts inspired by the Noble Ones straightened. Such – their offering bears an abundance.

Those who rejoice in that gift, or give assistance, they too have a share of the merit, and the offering is not depleted by that. Therefore, with an unhesitant mind, one should give where the gift bears great fruit. Merit is what establishes living beings in the next life.

A.III.41

### 5.6 Ratanattay'ānubhāv'ādi-gāthā

Ratanattay'ānubhāvena ratanattaya-tejasā

Dukkha-roga-bhayā verā sokā sattu c'upaddavā

Anekā antarāyā pi vinassantu asesato

Jaya-siddhi dhanam lābham sotthi bhāgyam sukham balam

Siri āyu ca vaṇṇo ca bhogaṃ vuḍḍhī ca yasavā

Sata-vassā ca āyu ca jīva-siddhī bhavantu te

Through the power of the Triple Gem, through the majesty of the Triple Gem, May suffering, disease, danger, animosity, sorrow, adversity, misfortune – obstacles without number – vanish without a trace.

Triumph, success, wealth, gain, safety, luck, happiness and strength, glory, long life, beauty, fortune and status increase, A lifespan of a hundred years, and success in your livelihood: may they be yours.

### 5.7 Culla-mangala-cakka-vāļa

Sabba-buddh'ānubhāvena sabba-dhamm'ānubhāvena sabba-saṅgh'ānubhāvena

Buddha-ratanam dhamma-ratanam sangha-ratanam

Tiṇṇaṃ ratanānaṃ ānubhāvena Catur-āsīti-sahassa-dhammakkhandh'ānubhāvena Piṭakattay'ānubhāvena Jina-sāvak'ānubhāvena

Sabbe te rogā sabbe te bhayā sabbe te antarāyā sabbe te upaddavā sabbe te dunnimittā sabbe te avamaṅgalā vinassantu

Āyu-vaḍḍhako dhana-vaḍḍhako siri-vaḍḍhako yasa-vaḍḍhako bala-vaḍḍhako vaṇṇa-vaḍḍhako sukha-vaḍḍhako hotu sabbadā

Dukkha-roga-bhayā verā sokā sattu c'upaddavā Anekā antarāyā pi vinassantu ca tejasā Jaya-siddhi dhanam lābham Sotthi bhāgyam sukham balam Siri āyu ca vanno ca bhogam vuḍḍhī ca yasavā Sata-vassā ca āyū ca jīva-siddhī bhavantu te Bhavatu sabba-mangalam...

Through the power of all the Buddhas, the power of all the Dhamma, the power of all the Saṅgha, the treasure of the Buddha, the treasure of the Dhamma, the treasure of the Saṅgha, the power of the 84,000 Dhamma groups, the power of the Tripitaka, the power of the Victor's disciples:

May all your diseases, all your fears, all your obstacles, all your dangers, all your bad visions, all your bad omens be destroyed.

May there be always be an increase of long life, wealth, glory, status, strength, beauty and happiness.

May suffering, disease, danger, animosity, sorrow, adversity, misfortune – obstacles without number – vanish through the majesty of the Triple Gem.

Triumph, success, wealth, gain, safety, luck, happiness, strength, glory, long life, beauty, fortune and status increase, a lifespan of a hundred years, and success in your livelihood: May they be yours.

May there be every good blessing, may all the devas protect you, through the power of all the Buddhas, Dhamma and Saṅgha, may you always be well.

#### 5.8 Mahā-mangala-cakka-vāla

Siri-dhiti-mati-tejo-jayasiddhi-mahiddhi-mahāguṇā-parimitapuññādhikarassa sabbantarāya-nivāraṇa-samatthassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa

Dvattiṃsa-mahā-purisa-lakkhaṇānubhāvena
asītyānubyañjanānubhāvena
aṭṭhuttara-sata-maṅgalānubhāvena
chabbaṇṇa-raṃsiyānubhāvena ketumālānubhāvena
dasa-pāramitānubhāvena
dasa-upapāramitānubhāvena
dasa-paramattha-pāramitānubhāvena
sīla-samādhi-paññānubhāvena
buddhānubhāvena
dhammānubhāvena
tejānubhāvena
iddhānubhāvena
balānubhāvena

caturāsīti-sahassa-dhamma-kkhandhānubhāvena nava-lokuttara-dhammānubhāvena atthangika-magganubhavena attha-samāpattiyānubhāvena chalabhiññānubhāvena catu-sacca-ñānānubhāvena dasa-bala-ñānānubhāvena sabbaññuta-ñānānubhāvena mettā-karunā-muditā-upekkhānubhāvena sabba-parittānubhāvena ratanattaya-saraṇānubhāvena tuyham sabba-roga-sok'upaddavadukkha-domanass'upāyāsā vinassantu sabba-antarāyā pi vinassantu sabba-sankappā tuyham samijihantu dīghāyukā tuyham hotu sata-vassa-jīvena samangiko hotu sabbadā

Ākāsa-pabbata-vana-bhūmi-gaṅgā-mahāsamuddā ārakkhakā devatā sadā tumhe anurakkhantu

Through the power of the thirty-two marks of the Great Man belonging to the Blessed One, the Worthy One, the Rightly Self-awakened One, who through his accumulation of merit is endowed with glory, steadfastness of intent, majesty, victorious power, great might, countless great virtues, who settles all dangers and obstacles,

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through the power of his eighty minor characteristics,
of his hundred and eight blessings,
of his sixfold radiance,
of the aura surrounding his head,
of his ten perfections, ten higher perfections and ten ultimate
perfections,
of his virtue, concentration and discernment,
of the Buddha, Dhamma and Sangha,
of his majesty, might and strength,
of his Dhammas that can be known,
of the 84,000 divisions of his Dhamma,
of his nine transcendent Dhammas,
of his eightfold path,
of his meditative attainments,
of his six cognitive skills,
of his knowledge of the four noble truths,
of his knowledge of the ten strengths,
of his omniscience,
of his goodwill, compassion, empathetic joy and equanimity,
of all protective chants,
of refuge in the Triple Gem,
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may all your diseases, griefs, misfortunes, pains, distresses and dispairs be destroyed,

may all obstructions be destroyed, may all your resolves succeed, may you live long, always attaining a hundred years.

May the protective devas of the sky, the mountains, the forests, the land, the River Ganges, and the great ocean always protect you.

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# Vihāra-dāna-gāthā

Sītam unham paţihanti sarimsape ca makase Tato vātātapo ghoro Lenatthañ ca sukhatthañ ca Vihāradānam saṅghassa Tasmā hi paṇḍito poso Vihāre kāraye ramme Tesam annañ ca pānañ ca Dadeyya uju-bhūtesu Te tassa dhammam desenti Yam so dhammam idh'aññāya

tato vāļamigāni ca sisire cāpi vutthiyo sañjāto paţihaññati jhāyituñ ca vipassitum aggam buddhehi vannitam sampassam attham attano vāsayettha bahu-ssute vattha-senāsanāni ca vippasannena cetasā sabbadukkhāpanūdanam parinibbātayanāsavo'ti

They ward off cold and heat and beasts of prey from there And creeping things and gnats and rains in the wet season. When the dreaded hot wind arises, that is warded off. To meditate and obtain insight in a refuge and at ease:

A dwelling-place is praised by the Awakened One as chief gift to an Order.

Therefore a wise man, looking to his own weal, Should have charming dwelling-places built So that those who have heard much can stay therein.

To these food and drink, raiment and lodgings He should give, to the upright, with mind purified. (Then) these teach him Dhamma dispelling every ill; He, knowing that Dhamma,

here attains Nibbāna, free of taints.

# 5.10 Sangaha-vatthu-gāthā

Dānañ-ca peyya-vajjañ-ca Samānattatā ca dhammesu Ete kho saṅgahā loke Ete ca saṅgahā nāssu Labhetha mānaṃ pūjaṃ vā Yasmā ca saṅgahā ete Tasmā mahattaṃ papponti attha-cariyā ca yā idha tattha tattha yathā'rahaṃ rathass'āṇīva yāyato na mātā putta-kāraṇā pitā vā putta-kāraṇā samavekkhanti paṇḍitā pāsaṃsā ca bhavanti te'ti

Generosity, kind words, beneficial action, and treating all consistently, in line with what each deserves: These bonds of fellowship in the world are like the linchpin in a moving cart.

Now, if these bonds of fellowship were lacking, a mother would not receive the honor and respect owed by her child, nor would a father receive what his child owes him.

But because the wise show regard for these bonds of fellowship, they achieve greatness and are praised.

A.II.32

# 5.11 Ādiya-sutta-gāthā

Bhuttā bhogā bhaṭā bhaccā
Uddhaggā dakkhiṇā dinnā
Upaṭṭhitā sīlavanto
Yad-atthaṃ bhogam-iccheyya
So me attho anuppatto
Etaṃ anussaraṃ macco
Idh'eva naṃ pasaṃsanti

vitiṇṇā āpadāsu me atho pañca balī katā saññatā brahma-cārino paṇḍito gharam-āvasaṃ kataṃ ananutāpiyaṃ ariya-dhamme ṭhito naro pecca sagge ca pamodatī'ti.

"My wealth has been enjoyed, my dependents supported, protected from calamities by me. I have given lofty offerings, and performed the five oblations. I have provided for the virtuous, the restrained, leaders of the holy life.

For whatever aim a wise householder would desire wealth, that aim have I attained. I have done what will not lead to future distress." When this is recollected by a mortal, a person established in the Dhamma of the Noble Ones, He is praised in this life and, after death, rejoices in heaven.

A.III.46

#### 5.12 Ariya-dhana-gāthā

Verses on the Riches of a Noble One

Yassa saddhā tathāgate acalā supatiṭṭhitā

Sīlañ-ca yassa kalyāṇaṃ ariya-kantaṃ pasaṃsitaṃ

One whose faith in the Tathāgata Is unshaken and established well, Whose virtue is beautiful, The Noble Ones enjoy and praise;

Saṅghe pasādo yass'atthi uju-bhūtañ-ca dassanaṃ Adaliddo-ti taṃ āhu amoghaṃ tassa jīvitaṃ

Whose trust is in the Sangha, Who sees things rightly as they are, It is said that not in vain And undeluded is their life.

Tasmā saddhañ-ca sīlañ-ca pasādaṃ dhamma-dassanaṃ Anuyuñjetha medhāvī saraṃ buddhāna sāsanan'ti

To virtue and to faith,
To trust to seeing truth,
To these the wise devote themselves,
The Buddha's teaching in their mind.

A.III.54

# 5.13 Devat'ādissa-dakkhiņā'numodanā-gāthā

Yasmim padese kappeti vāsam paṇḍita-jātiyo Sīlavant'ettha bhojetvā saññate brahma-cārino Yā tattha devatā āsum tāsam dakkhiṇam-ādise Tā pūjitā pūjayanti mānitā mānayanti nam Tato nam anukampanti mātā puttam va orasam Devatā'nukampito poso sadā bhadrāni passati

In whatever place a wise person makes his dwelling, there providing food for the virtuous, the restrained, leaders of the holy life – He should dedicate that offering to the devas there.

They receiving honor, will honor him; being respected, will show him respect. As a result, they will feel sympathy for him, like that of a mother for her child. A person with whom the devas sympathize always sees things go auspiciously.

Vin.I.229

# 6.

# **FUNERAL CHANTS**

## 6.1 Dhamma-sanganī-mātikā

Kusalā dhammā. Akusalā dhammā. Abyākatā dhammā.

> Skillful phenomena, unskillful phenomena, undeclared phenomena.

Sukhāya vedanāya sampayuttā dhammā. Dukkhāya vedanāya sampayuttā dhammā. Adukkhamasukhāya vedanāya sampayuttā dhammā.

Phenomena conjoined with pleasant feeling, phenomena conjoined with painful feeling, phenomena conjoined with neither-painful-nor-pleasant feeling.

Vipākā dhammā.

Vipāka-dhamma-dhammā.

N'eva vipāka na vipāka-dhamma-dhammā.

Phenomena that are kammic results, phenomena that have kammic results, phenomena that neither are nor have kammic results. Upādinn'upādāniyā dhammā. Anupādinn'upādāniyā dhammā. Anupādinnānupādāniyā dhammā.

> Clung-to clingable phenomena, unclung-to clingable phenomena, unclung-to unclingable phenomena.

Saṅkiliṭṭha-saṅkilesikā dhammā. Asaṅkiliṭṭha-saṅkilesikā dhammā. Asaṅkilitthāsaṅkilesikā dhammā.

> Defiled defiling phenomena, undefiled defiling phenomena, undefiled undefiling phenomena.

Savitakka-savicārā dhammā. Avitakka-vicāra-mattā dhammā. Avitakkāvicārā dhammā.

Phenomena accompanied by directed thought and evaluation, phenomena unaccompanied by directed thought but with a modicum of evaluation, phenomena unaccompanied by directed thought or evaluation.

Pīti-saha-gatā dhammā. Sukha-saha-gatā dhammā. Upekkhā-saha-gatā dhammā.

> Phenomena accompanied with rapture, phenomena accompanied with pleasure, phenomena accompanied with equanimity.

Dassanena pahātabbā dhammā.

Bhāvanāya pahātabbā dhammā.

N'eva dassanena na bhāvanāya pahātabbā dhammā.

Phenomena to be abandoned through seeing, phenomena to be abandoned through developing, phenomena to be abandoned neither through seeing nor through developing.

Dassanena pahātabba-hetukā dhammā.

Bhāvanāya pahātabba-hetukā dhammā.

N'eva dassanena na bhāvanāya pahātabba-hetukā dhammā.

Phenomena connected to a cause that is to be abandoned through seeing,

phenomena connected to a cause that is to be abandoned through developing,

phenomena connected to a cause that is to be abandoned neither through seeing nor through developing.

Ācaya-gāmino dhammā.

Apacaya-gāmino dhammā.

N'ev'ācaya-gāmino nāpacaya-gāmino dhammā.

Phenomena leading to accumulation,
phenomena leading to diminution,
phenomena leading neither to accumulation nor to diminution.

Sekkhā dhammā.

Asekkhā dhammā.

N'eva sekkhā nāsekkhā dhammā.

Phenomena of one in training, phenomena of one beyond training, phenomena neither of one in training nor of one beyond training.

Parittā dhammā. Mahaggatā dhammā. Appamāṇā dhammā.

Limited phenomena, expanded phenomena, immeasurable phenomena.

Paritt'ārammaṇā dhammā. Mahaggat'ārammaṇā dhammā. Appamāṇ'ārammaṇā dhammā.

Limited mind-object phenomena, expanded mind-object phenomena, immeasurable mind-object phenomena.

Hīnā dhammā. Majjhimā dhammā. Paṇītā dhammā.

> Lowly phenomena, middling phenomena, exquisite phenomena.

Micchatta-niyatā dhammā. Sammatta-niyatā dhammā. Aniyatā dhammā. Phenomena of certain wrongness, phenomena of certain rightness, uncertain phenomena.

Magg'ārammaṇā dhammā. Magga-hetukā dhammā. Maggādhipatino dhammā.

> Path mind-object phenomena, path-causing phenomena, path-dominant phenomena.

Uppannā dhammā. Anuppannā dhammā. Uppādino dhammā.

> Arisen phenomena, unarisen phenomena, phenomena bound to arise.

Atītā dhammā. Anāgatā dhammā. Paccuppannā dhammā.

> Past phenomena, future phenomena, present phenomena.

Atīt'ārammaṇā dhammā. Anāgat'ārammaṇā dhammā. Paccuppann'ārammaṇā dhammā. Past mind-object phenomena, future mind-object phenomena, present mind-object phenomena.

Ajjhattā dhammā. Bahiddhā dhammā. Ajjhatta-bahiddhā dhammā.

> Internal phenomena, external phenomena, internal-and-external phenomena.

Ajjhatt'ārammaṇā dhammā. Bahiddh'ārammaṇā dhammā. Ajjhatta-bahiddh'ārammaṇā dhammā.

Internal mind-object phenomena, external mind-object phenomena, internal-and-external mind-object phenomena.

Sanidassana-sappaṭighā dhammā. Anidassana-sappaṭighā dhammā. Anidassanāppaṭighā dhammā.

Phenomena with surface and offering resistance, phenomena without surface but offering resistance, phenomena without surface offering no resistance.

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# 6.2 Dhammasanganī

Kusalā dhammā, akusalā dhammā, abyākatā dhammā.

Katame dhammā kusalā.

Yasmim samaye kāmāvacaram kusalam cittam uppannam hoti, somanassa-sahagatam ñāṇa-sampayuttam, rūpārammaṇam vā saddārammaṇam vā gandhārammaṇam vā rasārammaṇam vā phoṭṭhabbārammaṇam vā dhammārammaṇam vā, yam yam vā panārabbha, tasmim samaye phasso hoti, avikkhepo hoti, ye vā pana tasmim samaye aññe pi atthi paṭicca-samuppannā arūpino dhammā, ime dhammā kusalā.

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#### 6.3 Vibhanga

Pañcakkhandhā rūpakkhandho, vedanākkhandho, saññākkhandho, saṅkhārakkhandho, viññāṇakkhandho.

Tattha katamo rūpakkhandho.

Yam kiñci rūpam atītānāgata-paccuppannam ajjhattam vā bahiddhā vā oļārikam vā sukhumam vā hīnam vā panītam vā yam dūre santike vā, tad ekajjham abhisannūhitvā abhisankhipitvā, ayam vuccati rūpakkhandho.

Vibhanga 1

#### 6.4 Dhātukathā

Saṅgaho asaṅgaho, saṅgahitena asaṅgahitaṃ, asaṅgahitena saṅgahitaṃ, saṅgahitena saṅgahitaṃ, asaṅgahitena asaṅgahitaṃ, sampayogo vippayogo, sampayuttena vippayuttaṃ, vippayuttena sampayuttaṃ, asaṅgahitaṃ.

Dhātukathā 1

# 6.5 Puggalapaññatti

Cha paññattiyo khandhapaññatti, āyatanapaññatti, dhātupaññatti, saccapaññatti, indriyapaññatti, puggalapaññattī'ti.

Kittāvatā puggalānam puggalapaññatti.

Samayavimutto, asamayavimutto, kuppadhammo, akuppadhammo, parihānadhammo, aparihānadhammo, cetanābhabbo, anurakkhaṇābhabbo, puthujjano, gotrabhū, bhayūparato, abhayūparato, bhabbāgamano, abhabbāgamano, niyato, aniyato, paṭipannako, phaleṭhito, arahā, arahattāya paṭipanno.

Puggalapaññatti 1

#### 6.6 Kathāvatthu

Puggalo upalabbhati saccikaṭṭha-paramatthenā'ti.

Āmantā.

Yo saccikaṭṭho paramattho, tato so puggalo upalabbhati saccikaṭṭha-paramatthenā'ti.

Na h'evam vattabbe.

Ājānāhi niggaham. Hañci puggalo upalabbhati saccikaṭṭha-paramatthena, tena vata re vattabbe.

Yo saccikaṭṭho paramattho, tato so puggalo upalabbhati saccikaṭṭha-paramatthenā'ti micchā.

Kathāvatthu 1

#### 6.7 Yamaka

Ye keci kusalā dhammā, sabbe te kusalamūlā. Ye vā pana kusalamūlā, sabbe te dhammā kusalā. Ye keci kusalā dhammā, sabbe te kusalamūlena ekamūlā. Ye vā pana kusalamūlena ekamūlā, sabbe te dhammā kusalā.

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# 6.8 Paţţhāna-mātikā-pāţha

Hetu-paccayo, ārammaṇa-paccayo, adhipati-paccayo, anantara-paccayo, samanantara-paccayo, saha-jāta-paccayo, Root-cause condition, support condition, dominant condition, immediate condition, quite-immediate condition, born-simultaneously condition,

aññam-añña-paccayo, nissaya-paccayo, upanissaya-paccayo, pure-jāta-paccayo, pacchā-jāta-paccayo, āsevana-paccayo,

reciprocal condition, dependence condition, immediate-dependence condition, born-before condition, born-after condition, habit condition,

kamma-paccayo, vipāka-paccayo, āhāra-paccayo, indriya-paccayo, jhāna-paccayo, magga-paccayo,

> action condition, result condition, nutriment condition, faculty condition, jhāna condition, path condition,

sampayutta-paccayo, vippayutta-paccayo, atthi-paccayo, n'atthi-paccayo, vigata-paccayo, avigata-paccayo.

conjoined-with condition, disjoined-from condition, condition when existing, condition when not existing, condition when not without.

Tika Patthāna 1

# 6.9 Vipassanā-bhūmi-pāţha

Pañcakkhandhā:

Rūpakkhandho, vedanākkhandho, saññākkhandho, saňkhārakkhandho, viññāṇakkhandho.

The five groups:

The form group, the feeling group, the perception group, the fabrications group, the consciousness group.

Dvā-das'āyatanāni:

Cakkhv-āyatanaṃ rūp'āyatanaṃ, Sot'āyatanaṃ sadd'āyatanaṃ, Ghān'āyatanaṃ gandh'āyatanaṃ, Jivh'āyatanaṃ ras'āyatanaṃ Kāy'āyatanaṃ phoṭṭhabb'āyatanaṃ Man'āyatanaṃ dhamm'āyatanaṃ.

The twelve spheres:

The eye-sphere, the form-sphere; the ear-sphere, the sound-sphere; the nose-sphere, the smell-sphere; the tongue-sphere, the taste-sphere; the body-sphere, the touch-sphere; the intellect-sphere, the ideas-sphere.

Atthārasa dhātuyo:

Cakkhu-dhātu rūpa-dhātu cakkhu-viññāṇa-dhātu, Sota-dhātu sadda-dhātu sota-viññāṇa-dhātu, Ghāna-dhātu gandha-dhātu ghāna-viññāṇa-dhātu, Jivhā-dhātu rasa-dhātu jivhā-viññāṇa-dhātu, Kāya-dhātu phoṭṭhabba-dhātu kāya-viññāṇa-dhātu, Mano-dhātu dhamma-dhātu mano-viññāṇa-dhātu.

# The eighteen elements:

The eye-element, form-element, eye-consciousness-element; the ear-element, sound-element, ear-consciousness-element; the nose-element, smell-element, nose-consciousness-element; the tongue-element, taste-element, tongue-consciousness-element; the body-element, touch-element, body-consciousness-element; the intellect-element, ideas-element, intellect-consciousness-element.

# Bā-vīsat'indriyāni:

Cakkhu'ndriyam sot'indriyam ghān'indriyam, jivh'indriyam kāy'indriyam man'indriyam, Itth'indriyam puris'indriyam jīvit'indriyam, Sukh'indriyam dukkh'indriyam, somanass'indriyam domanass'indriyam upekkh'indriyam, saddh'indriyam viriy'indriyam sat'indriyam samādh'indriyam paññ'indriyam, Anaññātañ-ñassāmī-t'indriyam aññ'indriyam aññ'indriyam.

The twenty two facuties:
The eye-faculty, ear-faculty, nose-faculty,
tongue-faculty, body-faculty, intellect-faculty.
Feminine-faculty, masculine-faculty, life-faculty.
Bodily-pleasure-faculty, bodily-pain-faculty,
mental-pleasure-faculty, mental-pain-faculty, equanimity-faculty.

Faith-faculty, energy-faculty, mindfulness-faculty, concentration-faculty, wisdom-faculty.

I am knowing the unknown-faculty, knowing-faculty, one who has fully known-faculty.

Cattāri ariya-saccāni:
Dukkhaṃ ariya-saccaṃ,
Dukkha-samudayo ariya-saccaṃ,
Dukkha-nirodho ariya-saccaṃ,
Dukkha-nirodha-gāminī paṭipadā ariya-saccaṃ.

The Four Noble Truths:
The noble truth of suffering,
the noble truth of the cause of suffering,
the noble truth of the cessation of suffering,
the noble truth of the way of practice leading to the cessation of
suffering.

Avijjā-paccayā saṅkhārā,
Saṅkhāra-paccayā viññāṇaṃ,
Viññāṇa-paccayā nāma-rūpaṃ,
Nāma-rūpa-paccayā saḷ-āyatanaṃ,
Saḷ-āyatana-paccayā phasso,
Phassa-paccayā vedanā,
Vedanā-paccayā taṇhā,
Taṇhā-paccayā upādānaṃ,
Upādāna-paccayā bhavo,
Bhava-paccayā jāti,

Jāti-paccayā jarā-maraṇaṃ soka-parideva-dukkha-domanass'upāyāsā sambhavanti. Evam-etassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa samudayo hoti.

With ignorance as a condition there are fabrications.

With fabrications as a condition there is consciousness.

With consciousness as a condition there are name-and-form.

With name-and-form as a condition there are the six sense media.

With the six sense media as a condition there is contact.

With contact as a condition there is feeling.

With feeling as a condition there is craving.

With craving as a condition there is clinging.

With clinging as a condition there is becoming.

With becoming as a condition there is birth.

With birth as a condition, aging and death, sorrow, lamentation, pain,

Avijjāya tv-eva asesa-virāga-nirodhā saṅkhāra-nirodho, Saṅkhāra-nirodhā viññāṇa-nirodho, Viññāṇa-nirodhā nāma-rūpa-nirodho, Nāma-rūpa-nirodhā saļ-āyatana-nirodho, Saļ-āyatana-nirodhā phassa-nirodho, Phassa-nirodhā vedanā-nirodho, Vedanā-nirodhā taṇhā-nirodho, Taṇhā-nirodhā upādāna-nirodho, Upādāna-nirodhā bhava-nirodho, Bhava-nirodhā jāti-nirodho, Jāti-nirodhā jarā-maraṇaṃ soka-parideva-dukkha-domanass'upāyāsā nirujjhanti.

distress and despair are originated.

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Evam-etassa kevalassa dukkhakkhandhassa nirodho hoti.

From the remainderless fading and cessation of that very ignorance there is the cessation of fabrications.

From the cessation of fabrications there is the cessation of consciousness.

From the cessation of consciousness there is the cessation of name-and-form. From the cessation of name-and-form there is the cessation of the six sense media. From the cessation of the six sense media there is the cessation of contact. From the cessation of contact there is the cessation of feeling. From the cessation of feeling there is the cessation of craving. From the cessation of craving there is the cessation of clinging. From the cessation of clinging there is the cessation of becoming. From the cessation of becoming there is the cessation of birth. From the cessation of birth, then aging and death, sorrow, lamentation, pain, distress and despair all cease.

Thus is the cessation of this entire mass of suffering and stress.

M.III.15f; M.III.280f; M.III.62; M.III.249f; S.II.1f

#### 6.10 Pamsukūla

The following verses are often repeated three times.

(For the dead)

Aniccā vata saṅkhārā Uppāda-vaya-dhammino Uppajjitvā nirujjhanti Tesaṃ vūpasamo sukho.

Sabbe sattā maranti ca Mariṃsu ca marissare Tath'evāhaṃ marissāmi N'atthi me ettha saṃsayo.

How inconstant are fabrications!
Their nature: to arise and pass away.
They disband as they are arising.
Their total stilling is bliss.
All living beings are dying,
have dies, and will die.
In the same way, I will die:
I have no doubt about this.

D.II.157; S.I.6

Addhuvaṃ jīvitaṃ Dhuvaṃ maraṇaṃ Avassaṃ mayā maritabbaṃ Maraṇapariyosānaṃ me jīvitaṃ Jīvitaṃ me aniyataṃ Maraṇaṃ me niyataṃ.

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(For the living)

Aciraṃ vat'ayaṃ kāyo Paṭhaviṃ adhisessati Chuḍḍho apeta-viññāṇo Niratthaṃ va kaliṅgaraṃ.

> Not long, alas – and it will lie this body here, upon the earth! Rejected, void of consciousness and useless as a rotten log.

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## 7.1 Dhammacakkappavattana-sutta

#### Solo introduction

Anuttaram abhisambodhim sambujjhitvā tathāgato dhammacakkam anuttaram Pathamam yam adesesi Sammadeva pavattento loke appativattiyam Yatthākkhātā ubho antā paţipatti ca majjhimā visuddham ñānadassanam Catūsvāriyasaccesu sammāsambodhikittanam Desitam dhammarājena Nāmena vissutam suttam dhammacakkappavattanam Veyyākaraṇapāthena sangītantam bhanāma se

[Evam me sutam]

Ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā bārāṇasiyaṃ viharati isipatane migadāye. Tatra kho bhagavā pañcavaggiye bhikkhū āmantesi:

Dve'me, bhikkhave, antā pabbajitena na sevitabbā: yo cāyaṃ kāmesu kāma-sukh'allikānuyogo, hīno, gammo, pothujjaniko, anariyo, anattha-sañhito; yo cāyaṃ atta-kilamathānuyogo, dukkho, anariyo, anattha-sañhito.

Ete te, bhikkhave, ubho ante anupagamma majjhimā paṭipadā tathāgatena abhisambuddhā cakkhukaraṇī, ñāṇakaraṇī, upasamāya, abhiññāya, sambodhāya, nibbānāya saṃvattati.

Katamā ca sā, bhikkhave, majjhimā paṭipadā tathāgatena abhisambuddhā cakkhukaraṇī, ñāṇakaraṇī, upasamāya, abhiññāya, sambodhāya, nibbānāya saṃvattati.

Ayam-eva ariyo aṭṭhaṅgiko maggo seyyathīdaṃ:

Sammā-diṭṭhi, sammā-saṅkappo, sammā-vācā, sammā-kammanto, sammā-ājīvo, sammā-vāyāmo, sammā-sati, sammā-samādhi.

Ayaṃ kho sā, bhikkhave, majjhimā paṭipadā tathāgatena abhisambuddhā cakkhukaraṇī, ñāṇakaraṇī, upasamāya, abhiññāya, sambodhāya, nibbānāya saṃvattati.

Idam kho pana, bhikkhave, dukkham ariya-saccam:

Jātipi dukkhā, jarāpi dukkhā, maranampi dukkhaṃ, soka-parideva-dukkha-domanass'upāyāsāpi dukkhā, appiyehi sampayogo dukkho, piyehi vippayogo dukkho, yamp'icchaṃ na labhati tampi dukkhaṃ, saṅkhittena pañcupādānakkhandā dukkhā.

Idam kho pana, bhikkhave, dukkha-samudayo ariya-saccam:

Yā'yam tanhā ponobbhavikā nandi-rāga-sahagatā tatra-tatrābhinandinī seyyathīdam: kāma-tanhā, bhava-tanhā, vibhava-tanhā.

Idam kho pana, bhikkhave, dukkha-nirodho ariya-saccam:

Yo tassā yeva taṇhāya asesa-virāga-nirodho, cāgo, paṭinissaggo, mutti, anālayo.

Idaṃ kho pana, bhikkhave, dukkha-nirodha-gāminī paṭipadā ariya-saccam:

Ayam-eva ariyo aṭṭhaṅgiko maggo seyyathīdam: sammā-diṭṭhi, sammā-saṅkappo, sammā-vācā, sammā-kammanto, sammā-ājīvo, sammā-vāyāmo, sammā-sati, sammā-samādhi.

[Idaṃ dukkhaṃ] ariya-saccan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkhaṃ ariya-saccaṃ pariñneyyan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkhaṃ ariya-saccaṃ pariññātan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Idam dukkha-samudayo ariya-saccan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhum udapādi, ñāṇam udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkhasamudayo ariyasaccaṃ pahātabban'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñānam udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkha-samudayo ariya-saccaṃ pahīnan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Idam dukkha-nirodho ariya-saccan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhum udapādi, ñāṇam udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkha-nirodho ariya-saccaṃ sacchikātabban'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkha-nirodho ariya-saccaṃ sacchikatan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Idam dukkha-nirodha-gāminī paṭipadā ariya-saccan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhum udapādi, ñāṇam udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkha-nirodha-gāminī paṭipadā ariya-saccaṃ bhāvetabban'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

Taṃ kho pan'idaṃ dukkha-nirodha-gāminī paṭipadā ariya-saccaṃ bhāvitan'ti me bhikkhave, pubbe ananussutesu dhammesu cakkhuṃ udapādi, ñāṇaṃ udapādi, paññā udapādi, vijjā udapādi, āloko udapādi.

[Yāva kīvañca me bhikkhave] imesu catūsu ariya-saccesu evan-ti-parivaṭṭaṃ dvādas'ākāraṃ yathā-bhūtaṃ ñāṇa-dassanaṃ na suvisuddhaṃ ahosi, n'eva tāv'āhaṃ bhikkhave, sadevake loke samārake sabrahmake sassamaṇa-brāhmaṇiyā pajāya sadeva-manussāya anuttaraṃ sammā-sambodhiṃ abhisambuddho paccaññāsiṃ.

Yato ca kho me bhikkhave, imesu catūsu ariya-saccesu evan-ti-parivaṭṭaṃ dvādas'ākāraṃ yathā-bhūtaṃ ñāṇa-dassanaṃ suvisuddham ahosi, ath'āham bhikkhave, sadevake loke samārake

sabrahmake sassamaṇa-brāhmaṇiyā pajāya sadeva-manussāya anuttaraṃ sammā-sambodhim abhisambuddho paccaññāsim.

Ñāṇañca pana me dassanaṃ udapādi, akuppā me vimutti ayam-antimā jāti, natthi dāni punabbhavo'ti.

Idam-avoca bhagavā. Attamanā pañcavaggiyā bhikkhū bhagavato bhāsitam abhinandum.

Imasmiñca pana veyyākaraṇasmiṃ bhaññamāne āyasmato koṇḍaññassa virajaṃ vītamalaṃ dhammacakkhuṃ udapādi: yaṃ kiñci samudaya-dhammaṃ sabban-taṃ nirodha-dhamman'ti.

[Pavattite ca bhagavatā] dhammacakke bhummā devā saddamanussāvesuṃ:

Etaṃ bhagavatā bārāṇasiyaṃ isipatane migadāye anuttaraṃ dhammacakkaṃ pavattitaṃ appaṭivattiyaṃ samaṇena vā brāhmaṇena vā devena vā mārena vā brahmunā vā kenaci vā lokasmin'ti.

## Bhummānam devānam

Bhummānaṃ devānaṃ saddaṃ sutvā, cātummahārājikā devā saddamanussāvesuṃ...

Cātummahārājikānaṃ devānaṃ saddaṃ sutvā, tāvatiṃsā devā saddamanussāvesuṃ...

Tāvatiṃsānaṃ devānaṃ saddaṃ sutvā, yāmā devā saddamanussāvesuṃ...

Yāmānam devānam saddam sutvā, tusitā devā saddamanussāvesum...

Tusitānam devānam saddam sutvā, nimmānaratī devā saddamanussāvesum...

Nimmānaratīnam devānam saddam sutvā, paranimmitavasavattī devā saddamanussāvesum...

Paranimmitavasavattīnam devānam saddam sutvā, brahmakāyikā devā saddamanussāvesum:

Etaṃ bhagavatā bārāṇasiyaṃ isipatane migadāye anuttaraṃ dhammacakkaṃ pavattitaṃ appaṭivattiyaṃ samaṇena vā brāhmaṇena vā devena vā mārena vā brahmunā vā kenaci vā lokasmin'ti.

Iti'ha tena khaṇena, tena muhuttena, yāva brahmalokā saddo abbhuggacchi. Ayañca dasa-sahassī lokadhātu saṅkampi sampakampi sampavedhi, appamāṇo ca oļāro obhāso loke pāturahosi atikkammeva devānaṃ devānubhāvaṃ.

Atha kho bhagavā udānam udānesi:

Aññāsi vata bho koṇḍañño, aññāsi vata bho koṇḍañño ti. Iti hidaṃ āyasmato koṇḍaññassa aññā-koṇḍañño tveva nāmaṃ ahosī ti.

Dhammacakkappavattana-suttam nitthitam.

S.V.420; Vin.I.10f

## 7.2 Setting in Motion the Wheel of Dhamma

Solo introduction

This is the first teaching of the Tathāgata on attaining to unexcelled, perfect enlightenment.

Here is the perfect turning of the incomparable wheel of Truth, inestimable wherever it is expounded in the world.

Disclosed here are the two extremes, and the Middle Way, with the Four Noble Truths and the purified knowledge and vision pointed out by the Lord of Dhamma.

Let us chant together this Sutta proclaiming the supreme, independent enlightenment that is widely renowned as 'The Turning of the Wheel of the Dhamma.'

Thus have I heard.

Once when the Blessed One was staying in the deer sanctuary at Isipatana, near Benares, he spoke to the group of five bhikkhus:

'These two extremes, bhikkhus, should not be followed by one who has gone forth: sensual indulgence, which is low, coarse, vulgar, ignoble, and unprofitable; and self-torture, which is painful, ignoble, and unprofitable.

'Bhikkhus, by avoiding these two extremes, the Tathāgata has realized the Middle Way, which gives vision and understanding, which leads to calm, penetration, enlightenment, to Nibbāna.

'And what, bhikkhus, is the Middle Way realized by the Tathāgata, which gives vision and understanding, which leads to calm, penetration, enlightenment, to Nibbāna?

'It is just this Noble Eightfold Path, namely:

'Right View, Right Intention, Right Speech, Right Action, Right Livelihood, Right Effort, Right Mindfulness, and Right Concentration.

'Truly, bhikkhus, this Middle Way understood by the Tathāgata produces vision, produces knowledge, and leads to calm, penetration, enlightenment, to Nibbāna.

'This, bhikkhus, is the Noble Truth of dukkha:

'Birth is dukkha, ageing is dukkha, death is dukkha, grief, lamentation, pain, sorrow and despair are dukkha, association with the disliked is dukkha, separation from the liked is dukkha, not to get what one wants is dukkha. In brief, clinging to the five khandhas is dukkha.

'This, bhikkhus, is the Noble Truth of the cause of dukkha:

'The craving which causes rebirth and is bound up with pleasure and lust, ever seeking fresh delight, now here, now there; namely, craving for sense pleasure, craving for existence, and craving for annihilation.

'This, bhikkhus, is the Noble Truth of the cessation of dukkha:

'The complete cessation, giving up, abandonment of that craving, complete release from that craving, and complete detachment from it.

'This, bhikkhus, is the Noble Truth of the way leading to the cessation of dukkha:

'Only this Noble Eightfold Path; namely, Right View, Right Intention, Right Speech, Right Action, Right Livelihood, Right Effort, Right Mindfulness, and Right Concentration.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of dukkha," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of dukkha, and this dukkha has to be understood," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of dukkha, and this dukkha has been understood," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cause of dukkha," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cause of dukkha, and this cause of dukkha has to be abandoned," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cause of dukkha, and this cause of dukkha has been abandoned," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cessation of dukkha," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cessation of dukkha, and this cessation of dukkha has to be realized," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the cessation of dukkha, and this cessation of dukkha has been realized," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This is the Noble Truth of the way leading to the cessation of dukkha," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This Noble Truth of the way leading to the cessation of dukkha has to be developed," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'With the thought, "This Noble Truth of the way leading to the cessation of dukkha has been developed," there arose in me, bhikkhus, vision, knowledge, insight, wisdom, light, concerning things unknown before.

'So long, bhikkhus, as my knowledge and vision of reality regarding these Four Noble Truths, in their three phases and twelve aspects, was not fully clear to me, I did not declare to the world of spirits,

demons, and gods, with its seekers and sages, celestial and human beings, the realization of incomparable, perfect enlightenment.

'But when, bhikkhus, my knowledge and vision of reality regarding these Four Noble Truths, in their three phases and twelve aspects, was fully clear to me, I declared to the world of spirits, demons, and gods, with its seekers and sages, celestial and human beings, that I had realized incomparable, perfect enlightenment.

'Knowledge and vision arose: "Unshakeable is my deliverance; this is the last birth, there will be no more renewal of being."'

Thus spoke the Blessed One. Glad at heart, the group of five bhikkhus approved of the words of the Blessed One.

As this exposition was proceeding, the spotless, immaculate vision of the Dhamma appeared to the Venerable Koṇḍañña and he knew: 'Everything that has the nature to arise has the nature to cease.'

When the Blessed One had set in motion the Wheel of Dhamma, the Earthbound devas proclaimed with one voice,

'The incomparable Wheel of Dhamma has been set in motion by the Blessed One in the deer sanctuary at Isipatana, near Benares, and no seeker, brahmin, celestial being, demon, god, or any other being in the world can stop it.'

Having heard what the Earthbound devas said, the devas of the Four Great Kings proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the devas of the Four Great Kings said, the devas of the Thirty-three proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the devas of the Thirty-three said, the Yāma devas proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the Yāma devas said, the Devas of Delight proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the Devas of Delight said, the Devas Who Delight in Creating, proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the Devas Who Delight in Creating said, the Devas Who Delight in the Creations of Others proclaimed with one voice...

Having heard what the Devas Who Delight in the Creations of Others said, the Brahma gods proclaimed in one voice,

'The incomparable Wheel of Dhamma has been set in motion by the Blessed One in the deer sanctuary at Isipatana, near Benares, and no seeker, brahmin, celestial being, demon, god, or any other being in the world can stop it.'

Thus in a moment, an instant, a flash, word of the Setting in Motion of the Wheel of Dhamma went forth up to the Brahma world, and the ten-thousandfold universal system trembled and quaked and shook, and a boundless, sublime radiance surpassing the power of devas appeared on earth.

Then the Blessed One made the utterance, 'Truly, Koṇḍañña has understood, Koṇḍañña has understood!' Thus it was that the Venerable Koṇḍañña got the name Aññā-Koṇḍañña: 'Koṇḍañña Who Understands.'

Thus ends the discourse on Setting in Motion the Wheel of Dhamma.

## 7.3 Anatta-lakkhana-sutta

#### Solo introduction

Yantaṃ sattehi dukkhena
Attavādattasaññāṇaṃ
Sambuddho taṃ pakāsesi
Uttariṃ paṭivedhāya
Yantesaṃ diṭṭhadhammānam
Sabbāsavehi cittāni
Tathā ñāṇānussārena
Sādhūnaṃ atthasiddhatthaṃ

ñeyyam anattalakkhanam sammadeva vimocanam diṭṭhasaccāna yoginam bhāvetum ñāṇamuttamam ñāṇenupaparikkhatam vimucciṃsu asesato sāsanam kātumicchatam tam suttantam bhaṇāma se

# [Evam me sutam]

Ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā bārāṇasiyaṃ viharati isipatane migadāye. Tatra kho bhagavā pañcavaggiye bhikkhū āmantesi:

Rūpaṃ bhikkhave anattā, rūpañca hidaṃ bhikkhave attā abhavissa, nayidaṃ rūpaṃ ābādhāya saṃvatteyya, labbhetha ca rūpe, evaṃ me rūpaṃ hotu, evaṃ me rūpaṃ mā ahosī ti.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave rūpam anattā, tasmā rūpam ābādhāya samvattati, na ca labbhati rūpe, evam me rūpam hotu, evam me rūpam mā ahosī ti.

Vedanā anattā, vedanā ca hidaṃ bhikkhave attā abhavissa, nayidaṃ vedanā ābādhāya saṃvatteyya, labbhetha ca vedanāya, evaṃ me vedanā hotu, evaṃ me vedanā mā ahosī ti.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave vedanā anattā, tasmā vedanā ābādhāya saṃvattati, na ca labbhati vedanāya, evaṃ me vedanā hotu, evaṃ me vedanā mā ahosī ti.

Saññā anattā, saññā ca hidaṃ bhikkhave attā abhavissa, nayidaṃ saññā ābādhāya saṃvatteyya, labbhetha ca saññāya, evaṃ me saññā hotu, evaṃ me saññā mā ahosī ti.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave saññā anattā, tasmā saññā ābādhāya saṃvattati, na ca labbhati saññāya, evaṃ me saññā hotu, evaṃ me saññā mā ahosī ti.

Saṅkhārā anattā, saṅkhārā ca hidaṃ bhikkhave attā abhavissaṃsu, nayidaṃ saṅkhārā ābādhāya saṃvatteyyuṃ, labbhetha ca saṅkhāresu, evaṃ me saṅkhārā hontu, evaṃ me saṅkhārā mā ahesun ti.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave saṅkhārā anattā, tasmā saṅkhārā ābādhāya saṃvattanti, na ca labbhati saṅkhāresu, evaṃ me saṅkhārā hontu, evaṃ me saṅkhārā mā ahesun ti.

Viññāṇaṃ anattā, viññāṇañca hidaṃ bhikkhave attā abhavissa, nayidaṃ viññāṇaṃ ābādhāya saṃvatteyya, labbhetha ca viññāṇe evaṃ me viññāṇaṃ hotu, evaṃ me viññāṇaṃ mā ahosī ti.

Yasmā ca kho bhikkhave viññāṇaṃ anattā, tasmā viññāṇaṃ ābādhāya saṃvattati, na ca labbhati viññāṇe, evaṃ me viññāṇaṃ hotu, evaṃ me viññāṇaṃ mā ahosī ti.

[Taṃ kiṃ maññatha bhikkhave] rūpam niccaṃ vā aniccaṃ vā ti. Aniccaṃ bhante. Yam panāniccaṃ, dukkhaṃ vā taṃ sukhaṃ vā ti. Dukkhaṃ bhante.

Yam panāniccaṃ dukkhaṃ viparināma-dhammaṃ, kallaṃ nu taṃ samanupassituṃ, etaṃ mama, esoham'asmi, eso me attā ti. No hetaṃ bhante.

Taṃ kiṃ maññatha bhikkhave, vedanā niccā vā aniccā vā ti. Aniccā bhante. Yam panāniccaṃ, dukkhaṃ vā taṃ sukhaṃ vā ti. Dukkhaṃ bhante.

Yam panāniccam dukkham viparināma-dhammam, kallam nu tam samanupassitum, etam mama, esoham'asmi, eso me attā ti. No hetam bhante.

Taṃ kiṃ maññatha bhikkhave, saññā niccā vā aniccā vā ti. Aniccā bhante. Yam panāniccaṃ, dukkhaṃ vā taṃ sukhaṃ vā ti. Dukkham bhante.

Yam panāniccam dukkham viparināma-dhammam, kallam nu tam samanupassitum, etam mama, esoham'asmi, eso me attā ti. No hetam bhante.

Taṃ kiṃ maññatha bhikkhave, saṅkhārā niccā vā aniccā vā ti. Aniccā bhante. Yam panāniccaṃ, dukkhaṃ vā taṃ sukhaṃ vā ti. Dukkhaṃ bhante.

Yam panāniccam dukkham viparināma-dhammam, kallam nu tam samanupassitum, etam mama, esoham'asmi, eso me attā ti. No hetam bhante.

Taṃ kiṃ maññatha bhikkhave, viññāṇaṃ niccaṃ vā aniccaṃ vā ti. Aniccaṃ bhante. Yam panāniccaṃ, dukkhaṃ vā taṃ sukhaṃ vā ti. Dukkhaṃ bhante.

Yam panāniccam dukkham viparināma-dhammam, kallam nu tam samanupassitum etam mama, esoham'asmi, eso me attā ti. No hetam bhante.

[Tasmā tiha bhikkhave] yaṃ kiñci rūpaṃ atītānāgata-paccuppannaṃ ajjhattaṃ vā bahiddhā vā oļārikaṃ vā sukhumaṃ vā hīnaṃ vā paṇītaṃ vā yandūre santike vā, sabbaṃ rūpaṃ netaṃ mama, nesoham'asmi, na me so attā ti, evametaṃ yathābhūtaṃ sammappaññāya daṭṭhabbaṃ.

Yā kāci vedanā atītānāgata-paccuppannā ajjhattā vā bahiddhā vā oļārikā vā sukhumā vā hīnā vā paṇītā vā yā dūre santike vā, sabbā vedanā netaṃ mama, nesoham'asmi, na me so attā ti, evametaṃ yathābhūtaṃ sammappaññāya daṭṭhabbaṃ.

Yā kāci saññā atītānāgata-paccuppannā ajjhattā vā bahiddhā vā oļārikā vā sukhumā vā hīnā vā paṇītā vā yā dūre santike vā, sabbā saññā netaṃ mama, nesoham'asmi, na me so attā ti, evametaṃ yathābhūtaṃ sammappaññāya daṭṭhabbaṃ.

Ye keci sankhārā atītānāgata-paccuppannā ajjhattā vā bahiddhā vā oļārikā vā sukhumā vā hīnā vā panītā vā ye dūre santike vā, sabbe sankhārā netam mama, nesoham'asmi, na me so attā ti, evametam vathābhūtam sammappañnāya datthabbam.

Yam kiñci viññāṇam atītānāgata-paccuppannam ajjhattam vā bahiddhā vā oļārikam vā sukhumam vā hīnam vā paṇītam vā yandūre santike vā, sabbam viññāṇam netam mama, nesoham'asmi, na me so attā ti, evametam yathābhūtam sammappaññāya daṭṭhabbam.

[Evaṃ passaṃ bhikkhave] sutvā ariyasāvako rūpasmim pi nibbindati, vedanāya pi nibbindati, saññāya pi nibbindati, saṅkhāresu pi nibbindati, viññāṇasmim pi nibbindati, nibbindaṃ virajjati, virāgā vimuccati, vimuttasmiṃ vimuttam iti ñāṇaṃ hoti,

khīṇā jāti, vusitaṃ brahmacariyaṃ, kataṃ karaṇīyaṃ, nāparaṃ itthattāyā ti pajānātī ti.

[Idam-avoca bhagavā.] Attamanā pañcavaggiyā bhikkhū bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinanduṃ. Imasmiñca pana veyyākaraṇasmiṃ bhaññamāne pañcavaggiyānaṃ bhikkhūnaṃ anupādāya āsavehi cittāni vimucciṃsū ti.

Anattalakkhana-suttam nitthitam.

S.III.66; Vin.I.13f

#### 7.4 The Characteristic of Not-Self

#### Solo introduction

All beings should take pains to understand the characteristic of not-self, which provides matchless deliverance from self-view and self-perception, as taught by the supreme Buddha. This teaching is given so that those who meditate on experienceable realities may arrive at perfect comprehension; It is for the development of perfect understanding of these phenomena, and for the investigation of all defiled mind-moments.

The consequence of this practice is total deliverance, so, desirous of bringing this teaching forth with its great benefit, let us now recite this Sutta.

## Thus have I heard.

At one time the Blessed One was dwelling at Benares in the deer park. There he addressed the group of five bhikkhus:

'Form, bhikkhus, is not-self. If, bhikkhus, form were self, then form would not lead to affliction, and one might be able to say in regard to form, "Let my form be thus, let my form not be thus." But since, bhikkhus, form is not-self, form therefore leads to affliction, and one is not able to say in regard to form, "Let my form be thus, let my form not be thus."

'Feeling is not-self. If, bhikkhus, feeling were self, feeling would not lead to affliction, and one might be able to say in regard to feeling, "Let my feeling be thus, let my feeling not be thus." But since, bhikkhus, feeling is not-self, feeling therefore leads to

affliction, and one is not able to say in regard to feeling, "Let my feeling be thus, let my feeling not be thus."

'Perception is not-self. If, bhikkhus, perception were self, perception would not lead to affliction, and one might be able to say in regard to perception, "Let my perception be thus, let my perception not be thus." But since, bhikkhus, perception is not-self, perception therefore leads to affliction, and one is not able to say in regard to perception, "Let my perception be thus, let my perception not be thus."

'Mental formations are not-self. If, bhikkhus, mental formations were self, mental formations would not lead to affliction, and one might be able to say in regard to mental formations, "Let my mental formations be thus, let my mental formations not be thus." But since, bhikkhus, mental formations are not-self, mental formations therefore lead to affliction, and one is not able to say in regard to mental formations, "Let my mental formations be thus, let my mental formations not be thus."

'Consciousness is not-self. If, bhikkhus, consciousness were self, consciousness would not lead to affliction, and one might be able to say in regard to consciousness, "Let my consciousness be thus, let my consciousness not be thus." But since, bhikkhus, consciousness is not-self, consciousness therefore leads to affliction, and one is not able to say in regard to consciousness, "Let my consciousness be thus, let my consciousness not be thus."

'What do you think about this, bhikkhus? Is form permanent or impermanent?'

'Impermanent, Venerable Sir.'

'But is that which is impermanent painful or pleasurable?'

'Painful, Venerable Sir.'

'But is it fit to consider that which is impermanent, painful, of a nature to change, as "This is mine, I am this, this is my self"?'

'It is not, Venerable Sir.'

'What do you think about this, bhikkhus? Is feeling permanent or impermanent?'

'Impermanent, Venerable Sir.'

'But is that which is impermanent painful or pleasurable?'

'Painful, Venerable Sir.'

'But is it fit to consider that which is impermanent, painful, of a nature to change, as "This is mine, I am this, this is my self"?'

'It is not, Venerable Sir.'

'What do you think about this, bhikkhus? Is perception permanent or impermanent?'

'Impermanent, Venerable Sir.'

'But is that which is impermanent painful or pleasurable?'

'Painful, Venerable Sir.'

'But is it fit to consider that which is impermanent, painful, of a nature to change, as "This is mine, I am this, this is my self"?'

'It is not, Venerable Sir.'

'What do you think about this, bhikkhus? Are mental formations permanent or impermanent?'

'Impermanent, Venerable Sir.'

'But is that which is impermanent painful or pleasurable?'

'Painful, Venerable Sir.'

'But is it fit to consider that which is impermanent, painful, of a nature to change, as "This is mine, I am this, this is my self"?'

'It is not, Venerable Sir.'

'What do you think about this, bhikkhus? Is consciousness permanent or impermanent?'

'Impermanent, Venerable Sir.'

'But is that which is impermanent painful or pleasurable?'

'Painful, Venerable Sir.'

'But is it fit to consider that which is impermanent, painful, of a nature to change, as "This is mine, I am this, this is my self"?'

'It is not, Venerable Sir.'

'Wherefore, bhikkhus, whatever form there is, past, future, present, internal or external, gross or subtle, inferior or superior, whether it is far or near, all form should, by means of right wisdom, be seen as it really is, thus: "This is not mine, I am not this, this is not my self."

'Whatever feeling there is, past, future, present, internal or external, gross or subtle, inferior or superior, whether it is far or

near, all feeling should, by means of right wisdom, be seen as it really is, thus: "This is not mine, I am not this, this is not my self."

'Whatever perception there is, past, future, present, internal or external, gross or subtle, inferior or superior, whether it is far or near, all perception should, by means of right wisdom, be seen as it really is, thus: "This is not mine, I am not this, this is not my self."

'Whatever mental formations there are, past, future, present, internal or external, gross or subtle, inferior or superior, whether they are far or near, all mental formations should, by means of right wisdom, be seen as they really are, thus: "This is not mine, I am not this, this is not my self."

'Whatever consciousness there is, past, future, present, internal or external, gross or subtle, inferior or superior, whether far or near, all consciousness should, by means of right wisdom, be seen as it really is, thus: "This is not mine, I am not this, this is not my self."

'Seeing in this way, bhikkhus, the wise noble disciple becomes disenchanted with form, becomes disenchanted with feeling, becomes disenchanted with perception, becomes disenchanted with mental formations, becomes disenchanted with consciousness. Becoming disenchanted, their passions fade away; with the fading of passion the heart is liberated; with liberation there comes the knowledge: "It is liberated," and they know: "Destroyed is birth, the Holy Life has been lived out, done is what had to be done, there is no more coming into any state of being."' Thus spoke the Blessed One. Delighted, the group of five bhikkhus rejoiced in what the Blessed One had said. Moreover, while this

discourse was being delivered, the minds of the five bhikkhus were freed from the defilements, through clinging no more.

Thus ends the discourse on The Characteristic of Not-self.

## 7.5 Āditta-pariyāya-sutta

#### Solo introduction

Veneyyadamanopāye
Amoghavacano buddho
Ciṇṇānurūpato cāpi
Ciṇṇāggipāricariyānaṃ
Yamādittapariyāyaṃ
Te sotāro vimocesi
Tathevopaparikkhāya
Dukkhatālakkhaṇopāyaṃ

sabbaso pāramim gato abhiññāyānusāsako dhammena vinayam pajam sambojjhārahayoginam desayanto manoharam asekkhāya vimuttiyā viññūṇam sotumicchatam tam suttantam bhanāma se

## [Evam me sutam]

Ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā gayāyaṃ viharati gayāsīse saddhiṃ bhikkhu-sahassena. Tatra kho bhagavā bhikkhū āmantesi: Sabbam bhikkhave ādittam. Kiñca bhikkhave sabbam ādittam.

Cakkhum bhikkhave ādittam, rūpā ādittā, cakkhuviññāṇam ādittam, cakkhusamphasso āditto, yampidam cakkhusamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitam sukham vā dukkham vā adukkhamasukham vā tam pi ādittam. Kena ādittam. Ādittam rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā, ādittam jātiyā jarāmaranena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

Sotam ādittam, saddā ādittā, sotaviññāṇam ādittam, sotasamphasso āditto, yampidam sotasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitam sukham vā dukkham vā adukkhamasukham vā tam pi ādittam. Kena ādittam. Ādittam rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā,

ādittam jātiyā jarāmaraņena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

Ghānaṃ ādittaṃ, gandhā ādittā, ghānaviññāṇaṃ ādittaṃ, ghānasamphasso āditto, yampidaṃ ghānasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tam pi ādittaṃ. Kena ādittaṃ. Ādittaṃ rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā, ādittaṃ jātiyā jarāmaraṇena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

Jivhā ādittā, rasā ādittā, jivhāviññāṇam ādittaṃ, jivhāsamphasso āditto, yampidaṃ jivhāsamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tam pi ādittaṃ. Kena ādittaṃ. Ādittaṃ rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā, ādittaṃ jātiyā jarāmaraṇena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

Kāyo āditto, phoṭṭhabbā ādittā, kāyaviññāṇaṃ ādittaṃ, kāyasamphasso āditto, yampidaṃ kāyasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tam pi ādittaṃ. Kena ādittaṃ. Ādittaṃ rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā, ādittaṃ jātiyā jarāmaraṇena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

Mano āditto, dhammā ādittā, manoviññāṇaṃ ādittaṃ, manosamphasso āditto, yampidaṃ manosamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tam pi ādittaṃ. Kena ādittaṃ. Ādittaṃ rāgagginā dosagginā mohagginā, ādittaṃ jātiyā jarāmaraṇena sokehi paridevehi dukkhehi domanassehi upāyāsehi ādittan'ti vadāmi.

[Evaṃ passaṃ bhikkhave] sutvā ariyasāvako cakkhusmiṃ pi nibbindati, rūpesu pi nibbindati, cakkhuviñnāṇe pi nibbindati, cakkhusamphasse pi nibbindati, yampidaṃ cakkhusamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tasmiṃ pi nibbindati.

Sotasmim pi nibbindati, saddesu pi nibbindati, sotaviññāne pi nibbindati, sotasamphasse pi nibbindati, yampidam sotasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitam sukham vā dukkham vā adukkhamasukham vā tasmim pi nibbindati.

Ghānasmiṃ pi nibbindati, gandhesu pi nibbindati, ghānaviññāṇe pi nibbindati, ghānasamphasse pi nibbindati, yampidaṃ ghānasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tasmiṃ pi nibbindati.

Jivhāya pi nibbindati, rasesu pi nibbindati, jivhāviññāṇe pi nibbindati, jivhāsamphasse pi nibbindati, yampidaṃ jivhāsamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tasmiṃ pi nibbindati.

Kāyasmiṃ pi nibbindati, phoṭṭhabbesu pi nibbindati, kāyaviññāṇe pi nibbindati, kāyasamphasse pi nibbindati, yampidaṃ kāyasamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tasmiṃ pi nibbindati.

Manasmim pi nibbindati, dhammesu pi nibbindati, manoviññāṇe pi nibbindati, manosamphassepi nibbindati, yampidaṃ manosamphassapaccayā uppajjati vedayitaṃ sukhaṃ vā dukkhaṃ vā adukkhamasukhaṃ vā tasmiṃ pi nibbindati.

Nibbindam virajjati, virāgā vimuccati, vimuttasmim vimuttam iti ñāṇam hoti, khīṇā jāti, vusitam brahmacariyam, katam karaṇīyam, nāparam itthattāyā ti pajānātī ti.

[Idam-avoca bhagavā.] Attamanā te bhikkhū bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinanduṃ. Imasmiñca pana veyyākaraṇasmiṃ bhaññamāne tassa bhikkhu-sahassassa anupādāya āsavehi cittāni vimucciṃsū ti. Ādittapariyāya-suttaṃ niṭṭhitaṃ.

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#### 7.6 The Fire Sermon

#### Solo introduction

With his skill in training the trainable, the All-transcendent Buddha, lucid speaker, teacher of the highest knowledge, He who expounds to the people the Dhamma and Vinaya that is fitting and worthy, teaching with this wonderful parable about fire, meditators of the highest skill;

He has liberated those who listen with the liberation that is utterly complete, through true investigation, with wisdom and attention.

Let us now recite this Sutta which describes the characteristics of dukkha

Thus have I heard.

At one time the Blessed One was staying near Gayā at Gayā Head together with a thousand bhikkhus. There the Blessed One addressed the bhikkhus thus:

'Bhikkhus, everything is burning. And what, bhikkhus, is everything that is burning?

'The eye, bhikkhus, is burning, forms are burning, eye consciousness is burning, eye contact is burning, the feeling that arises from eye contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'The ear is burning, sounds are burning, ear consciousness is burning, ear contact is burning, the feeling that arises from ear contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'The nose is burning, odours are burning, nose consciousness is burning, nose contact is burning, the feeling that arises from nose contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'The tongue is burning, tastes are burning, tongue consciousness is burning, tongue contact is burning, the feeling that arises from tongue contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'The body is burning, tangible objects are burning, body consciousness is burning, body contact is burning, the feeling that arises from body contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is

burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'The mind is burning, mental states are burning, mind consciousness is burning, mind contact is burning, the feeling that arises through mind contact, whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral, that too is burning. With what is it burning? I declare that it is burning with the fires of passion, hatred, and delusion; it is burning with birth, ageing, and death, with sorrow, lamentation, pain, grief, and despair.

'Seeing thus, bhikkhus, the wise noble disciple becomes disenchanted with the eye, disenchanted with forms, disenchanted with eye consciousness, disenchanted with eye contact, and the feeling that arises from eye contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'They become disenchanted with the ear, disenchanted with sounds, disenchanted with ear consciousness, disenchanted with ear contact, and the feeling that arises from ear contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'They become disenchanted with the nose, disenchanted with odours, disenchanted with nose consciousness, disenchanted with nose contact, and the feeling that arises from nose contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'They become disenchanted with the tongue, disenchanted with tastes, disenchanted with tongue consciousness, disenchanted

with tongue contact, and the feeling that arises from tongue contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'They become disenchanted with the body, disenchanted with tangible objects, disenchanted with body consciousness, disenchanted with body contact, and the feeling that arises from body contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'They become disenchanted with the mind, disenchanted with mental states, disenchanted with mind consciousness, disenchanted with mind contact, and the feeling that arises from mind contact — whether it is pleasant, painful, or neutral — that too they become disenchanted with.

'Becoming disenchanted, their passions fade away; with the fading of passion the heart is liberated; with liberation there comes the knowledge: "It is liberated," and they know: "Destroyed is birth, the Holy Life has been lived out, done is what had to be done, there is no more coming into any state of being."'

Thus spoke the Blessed One; delighted, the bhikkhus rejoiced in what the Blessed One had said. Moreover, while this discourse was being uttered, the minds of those thousand bhikkhus were freed from the defilements, without any further attachment.

Thus ends The Fire Sermon.

## 7.7 Ānāpānassati-sutta

[Handa mayam ānāpānassati-sutta-pāṭhaṃ bhaṇāmase]

Ānāpānassati bhikkhave bhāvitā bahulīkatā

Bhikkhus, when mindfulness of breathing is developed and cultivated

Mahapphalā hoti mahānisaṃsā

It is of great fruit and great benefit;

Ānāpānassati bhikkhave bhāvitā bahulīkatā

When mindfulness of breathing is developed and cultivated

Cattāro satipatthāne paripūreti

It fulfills the Four Foundations of Mindfulness;

Cattāro satipaṭṭhānā bhāvitā bahulīkatā

When the Four Foundations of Mindfulness are developed and cultivated

Satta-bojjhange paripūrenti

They fulfill the Seven Factors of Awakening;

Satta-bojjhangā bhāvitā bahulīkatā

When the Seven Factors of Awakening are developed and cultivated

Vijjā-vimuttim paripūrenti

They fulfill true knowledge and deliverance.

Katham bhāvitā ca bhikkhave ānāpānassati katham bahulīkatā

And how, bhikkhus, is mindfulness of breathing developed and cultivated

Mahapphalā hoti mahānisaṃsā

So that it is of great fruit and great benefit?

Idha bhikkhave bhikkhu

Here, bhikkhus, a bhikkhu,

Arañña-gato vā

Gone to the forest,

Rukkha-mūla-gato vā

To the foot of a tree

Suññāgāra-gato vā

Or to an empty hut.

Nisīdati pallaṅkaṃ ābhujitvā

Sits down having crossed his legs,

Ujuṃ kāyaṃ paṇidhāya parimukhaṃ satiṃ upaṭṭhapetvā

Sets his body erect, having established mindfulness in front of him.

So sato'va assasati sato'va passasati

Ever mindful he breathes in; mindful he breathes out.

Dīgham vā assasanto dīgham assasāmī'ti pajānāti

Breathing in long, he knows 'I breathe in long';

Dīghaṃ vā passasanto dīghaṃ passasāmī'ti pajānāti Breathing out long, he knows 'I breathe out long';

Rassam vā assasanto rassam assasāmī'ti pajānāti

Breathing in short, he knows 'I breathe in short';

Rassaṃ vā passasanto rassaṃ passasāmī'ti pajānāti Breathing out short, he knows 'I breathe out short'.

Sabba-kāya-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in experiencing the whole body'.

Sabba-kāya-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out experiencing the whole body'.

Passambhayaṃ kāya-saṅkhāraṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in tranquillizing the bodily formations'.

Passambhayaṃ kāya-saṅkhāraṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out tranquillizing the bodily formations'.

Pīti-paţisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in experiencing rapture'.

Pīti-patisamvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out experiencing rapture'.

Sukha-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in experiencing pleasure'

Sukha-pațisamvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out experiencing pleasure'.

Citta-saṅkhāra-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in experiencing the mental formations'.

Citta-saṅkhāra-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out experiencing the mental formations'.

Passambhayam citta-sankhāram assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in tranquillizing the mental formations'.

Passambhayam citta-sankhāram passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out tranquillizing the mental formations'.

Citta-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in experiencing the mind'.

Citta-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out experiencing the mind'.

Abhippamodayam cittam assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in gladdening the mind'.

Abhippamodayam cittam passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

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He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out gladdening the mind'.

Samādaham cittam assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in concentrating the mind'

Samādaham cittam passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out concentrating the mind'.

Vimocayam cittam assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in liberating the mind'.

Vimocayam cittam passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out liberating the mind'.

Aniccānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in contemplating impermanence'.

Aniccānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out contemplating impermanence'.

Virāgānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in contemplating the fading away of passions'.

Virāgānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out contemplating the fading away of passions'.

Nirodhānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

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He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in contemplating cessation'.

Nirodhānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out contemplating cessation'.

Paţinissaggānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe in contemplating relinquishment'.

Paţinissaggānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati

He trains thus: 'I shall breathe out contemplating relinquishment'.

Evaṃ bhāvitā kho bhikkhave ānāpānassati evaṃ bahulīkatā

Bhikkhus, that is how mindfulness of breathing is developed and cultivated

Mahapphalā hoti mahānisamsā'ti

So that it is of great fruit and great benefit.

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### 7.8 Dhaj'agga Sutta

[Evam-me sutaṃ.] Ekaṃ samayaṃ Bhagavā, Sāvatthiyaṃ viharati, Jeta-vane Anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tatra kho Bhagavā bhikkhū āmantesi: "bhikkhavo-ti". "Bhadante-ti," te bhikkhū Bhagavato paccassosuṃ. Bhagavā etad avoca:

"Bhūta-pubbaṃ bhikkhave devāsura-saṅgāmo samupabbūļho ahosi. Atha kho bhikkhave Sakko devānamindo deve tāva-tiṃse āmantesi: 'Sace mārisā devānaṃ saṅgāma-gatānaṃ uppajjeyya bhayaṃ vā chambhitattaṃ vā lomahaṃso vā, mameva tasmiṃ samaye dhaj'aggaṃ ullokeyyātha. Mamaṃ hi vo dhaj'aggaṃ ullokayataṃ yaṃ bhavissati bhayaṃ vā chambhitattaṃ vā loma-haṃso vā, so pahīyissati.'

'No ce me dhaj'aggam ullokeyyātha, atha Pajāpatissa deva-rājassa dhaj'aggam ullokeyyātha. Pajāpatissa hi vo deva-rājassa dhaj'aggam ullokayatam yam bhavissati bhayam vā chambhitattam vā loma-hamso vā, so pahīyissati'.

'No ce Pajāpatissa deva-rājassa dhaj'aggam ullokeyyātha, atha Varunassa deva-rājassa dhaj'aggam ullokeyyātha. Varunassa hi vo deva-rājassa dha'jaggam ullokayatam yam bhavissati bhayam vā chambhitattam vā lomahamso vā, so pahīyissati'.

'No ce Varuṇassa deva-rājassa dhaj'aggaṃ ullokeyyātha, atha Īsānassa deva-rājassa dhaj'aggaṃ ullokeyyātha. Īsānassa hi vo devarājassa dhaj'aggaṃ ullokayataṃ yaṃ bhavissati bhayaṃ vā chambhitattaṃ vā loma-haṃso vā, so pahīyissatī-ti.'

"Taṃ kho pana bhikkhave Sakkassa vā devānam indassa dhaj'aggaṃ ullokayataṃ, Pajāpatissa vā deva-rājassa dhaj'aggaṃ 198 7. SUTTAS

ullokayatam, Varunassa vā deva-rājassa dhaj'aggam ullokayatam, Īsānassa vā devarājassa dhaj'aggam ullokayatam yam bhavissati bhayam vā chambhitattam vā loma-hamso vā, so pahīyethāpi no'pi pahīyetha.

"Taṃ kissa hetu? Sakko hi, bhikkhave, devānam indo avītarāgo avītadoso avītamoho bhīru chambhī utrāsī palāyī-ti.

"Ahañ-ca kho, bhikkhave, evam vadāmi: Sace tumhākam, bhikkhave, arañña-gatānam vā rukkha-mūla-gatānam vā suññāgāra-gatānam vā uppajjeyya bhayam vā chambhitattam vā loma-hamso vā, mam eva tasmim samaye anussareyyātha:

ʻIti pi so bhagavā arahaṃ sammā-sambuddho, vijjā-caraṇa-sampanno sugato loka-vidū, anuttaro purisa-damma-sārathi satthā devamanussānaṃ Buddho Bhagavā-ti. Mamaṃ hi vo bhikkhave anussarataṃ, yaṃ bhavissati bhayaṃ vā chambhitattaṃ vā loma-haṃso vā, so pahīyissati.

"No ce maṃ anussareyyātha, atha dhammaṃ anussareyyātha:

'Svākkhāto Bhagavatā dhammo, sandiṭṭhiko akāliko ehi-passiko, opanayiko paccattaṃ veditabbo viññūhī-ti. Dhammaṃ hi vo bhikkhave anussarataṃ, yaṃ bhavissati bhayaṃ vā chambhitattaṃ vā loma-haṃso vā, so pahīyissati.

"No ce dhammam anussareyyātha, atha saṅgham anussareyyātha:

'Supaṭipanno Bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho, uju-paṭipanno Bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho, ñāya-paṭipanno Bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho, sāmīci-paṭipanno Bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho, yad-idaṃ cattāri purisa-yugāni aṭṭha purisapuggalā, esa Bhagavato sāvaka-saṅgho, āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjalikaraṇīyo, anuttaraṃ

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puññakkhettam lokassā-ti. Saṅgham hi vo bhikkhave anussaratam yam bhavissati bhayam vā chambhitattam vā lomahamso vā, so pahīyissati.

"Taṃ kissa hetu? Tathāgato hi bhikkhave arahaṃ sammā-sambuddho, vītarāgo vītadoso vītamoho, abhīru acchambhī anutrāsī apalāyīti."

Idam avoca Bhagavā. Idam vatvā sugato athāparam etad avoca satthā:

"Araññe rukkha-mūle vā, Suññ'āgāre va bhikkhavo; Anussaretha Sambuddham, Bhayam tumhāka no siyā. No ce Buddham sareyyātha, Loka-jettham narāsabham; Atha dhammam sareyyātha, Niyyānikam sudesitam. No ce dhammam sareyyātha, Niyyānikam sudesitam; Atha sangham sareyyātha, Puññakkhettam anuttaram. Evam-Buddham sarantānam, Dhammam sanghañ-ca bhikkhavo; Bhayam vā chambhitattam vā, Loma-hamso na hessatī-ti." Dhaj'agga Suttam Nitthitam.

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# 7.9 Girimānanda-suttam

[Evaṃ me sutaṃ] Ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā sāvatthiyaṃ viharati jetavane Anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tena kho pana samayena āyasmā Girimānando ābādhiko hoti dukkhito bāļha-gilāno. Atha kho āyasmā Ānando yena bhagavā ten'upasaṅkami, upasaṅkamitvā Bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekam-antaṃ nisīdi. Ekam-antaṃ nisīnno kho āyasmā Ānando bhagavantaṃ etad-avoca:

Āyasmā bhante Girimānando ābādhiko hoti dukkhito bāļha-gilāno. Sādhu bhante bhagavā yen'āyasmā Girimānando ten'upasaṅkamatu anukampaṃ upādāyā ti.

Sace kho tvaṃ Ānanda Girimānandassa bhikkhuno dasa saññā bhāseyyāsi, ṭhānaṃ kho pan'etaṃ vijjati yaṃ Girimānandassa bhikkhuno dasa saññā sutvā so ābādho ṭhānaso paṭipassambheyya.

Katamā dasa? Anicca-saññā, anatta-saññā, asubha-saññā, ādīnava-saññā, pahāna-saññā, virāga-saññā, nirodha-saññā, sabba-loke anabhirata-saññā, sabba-saṅkhāresu anicchāsaññā, ānāpānassati.

Katamā c'Ānanda anicca-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā iti paṭisañcikkhati: rūpaṃ aniccaṃ, vedanā aniccā, saññā aniccā, saṅkhārā aniccā, viññāṇaṃ aniccan'ti. Iti imesu pañcasu upādānakkhandhesu aniccānupassī viharati. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda anicca-saññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda anatta-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā iti paṭisañcikkhati: cakkhuṃ anattā, rūpā anattā, sotaṃ anattā, saddā anattā, ghānaṃ anattā, gandhā anattā, jivhā anattā, rasā anattā, kāyo anattā,

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phoṭṭhabbā anattā, mano anattā, dhammā anattā'ti. Iti imesu chasu ajjhattikabāhiresu āyatanesu anattānupassī viharati. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda anatta-saññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda asubha-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu imam-eva kāyaṃ uddhaṃ pāda-talā adho kesa-matthakā taca-pariyantaṃ pūraṃ nānāppakārassa asucino paccavekkhati: Atthi imasmiṃ kāye kesā, lomā, nakhā, dantā, taco, maṃsaṃ, nhāru, aṭṭhi, aṭṭhi-miñjaṃ, vakkaṃ, hadayaṃ, yakanaṃ, kilomakaṃ, pihakaṃ, papphāsaṃ, antaṃ, anta-guṇaṃ, udariyaṃ, karīsaṃ, pittaṃ, semhaṃ, pubbo, lohitaṃ, sedo, medo, assu, vasā, kheļo, siṅghāṇikā, lasikā, muttan'ti. Iti imasmiṃ kāye asubhānupassī viharati. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda asubha-saññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda ādīnava-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā iti paṭisañcikkhati: Bahu-dukkho kho ayaṃ kāyo bahu-ādīnavo. Iti imasmiṃ kāye vividhā ābādhā uppajjanti, seyyathīdaṃ cakkhu-rogo, sota-rogo, ghāna-rogo, jivhā-rogo, kāya-rogo, sīsa-rogo, kaṇṇa-rogo, mukha-rogo, dantarogo, oṭṭha-rogo, kāso, sāso, pināso, ḍāho, jaro, kucchi-rogo, mucchā, pakkhandikā, sūlā, visūcikā, kuṭṭhaṃ, gaṇḍo, kilāso, soso, apamāro, daddu, kaṇḍu, kacchu, nakhasā, vitacchikā, lohitaṃ, pittaṃ, madhu-meho, aṃsā, piḷakā, bhagandalā, pitta-samuṭṭhānā ābādhā, semha-samuṭṭhānā ābādhā, vāta-samuṭṭhānā ābādhā, sannipātikā ābādhā, utupariṇāma-jā ābādhā, visama-parihāra-jā ābādhā, opakkamikā ābādhā, kamma-vipāka-jā ābādhā, sītaṃ, uṇhaṃ, jighacchā, pipāsā, uccāro, passāvo'ti. Iti imasmiṃ kāye ādīnavānupassī viharati. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda ādīnava-saññā.

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Katamā c'Ānanda pahāna-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu uppannaṃ kāma-vitakkaṃ nādhivāseti, pajahati, vinodeti, byantīkaroti, anabhāvaṃ gameti. Uppannaṃ byāpāda-vitakkaṃ nādhivāseti, pajahati, vinodeti, byantīkaroti, anabhāvaṃ gameti. Uppannaṃ vihiṃsā-vitakkaṃ nādhivāseti, pajahati, vinodeti, byantīkaroti, anabhāvaṃ gameti. Uppann'uppanne pāpake akusale dhamme nādhivāseti, pajahati, vinodeti, byantīkaroti, anabhāvaṃ gameti. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda pahāna-saññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda, virāga-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā iti paṭisañcikkhati: Etaṃ santaṃ, etaṃ paṇītaṃ, yad-idaṃ sabba-saṅkhāra-samatho sabbūpadhippaṭinissaggo taṇhākkhayo virāgo nibbānan'ti. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda virāgasaññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda, nirodha-saññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā iti paṭisañcikkhati: Etaṃ santaṃ, etaṃ paṇītaṃ, yad-idaṃ sabba-saṅkhāra-samatho sabbūpadhippaṭinissaggo taṇhākkhayo nirodho nibbānan'ti. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda nirodhasaññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda, sabba-loke anabhiratasaññā? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu ye loke upādānā cetaso adhiṭṭhānābhinivesānusayā, te pajahanto viharati anupādiyanto. Ayaṃ vuccat'Ānanda sabba-loke anabhirata-saññā.

Katamā c'Ānanda sabba-saṅkhāresu anicchāsaññā? Idh'Ānanda bhikkhu sabba-saṅkhāresu aṭṭīyati, harāyati, jigucchati. Ayaṃ vuccat' Ānanda, sabba-saṅkhāresu anicchā-saññā.

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Katamā c'Ānanda ānāpānassati? Idh'Ānanda, bhikkhu arañña-gato vā rukkhamūla-gato vā suññāgāra-gato vā nisīdati, pallaṅkaṃ ābhujitvā ujuṃ kāyaṃ paṇidhāya parimukhaṃ satiṃ upaṭṭhapetvā. So sato'va assasati sato'va passasati.

Dīghaṃ vā assasanto: Dīghaṃ assasāmī'ti pajānāti. Dīghaṃ vā passasanto: Dīghaṃ passasāmī'ti pajānāti. Rassaṃ vā assasanto: Rassaṃ assasāmī'ti pajānāti. Rassaṃ vā passasanto: Rassaṃ passasāmī'ti pajānāti. Sabba-kāyapaṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Sabbakāya-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Passambhayaṃ kāya-saṅkhāraṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Passambhayaṃ kāya-saṅkhāraṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati.

Pīti-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Pīti-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Sukha-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Sukha-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati.

Citta-saṅkhāra-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Citta-saṅkhāra-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Passambhayaṃ cittasaṅkhāraṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Passambhayaṃ citta-saṅkhāraṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati.

Citta-paṭisaṃvedī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Citta-paṭisaṃvedī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Abhippamodayaṃ cittaṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Abhippamodayaṃ cittaṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Samādahaṃ cittaṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Samādahaṃ cittaṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Vimocayaṃ cittaṃ assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Vimocayaṃ cittaṃ passasissāmī'ti sikkhati.

Aniccānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Aniccānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Virāgānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati.

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Virāgānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Nirodhānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Nirodhānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Paṭinissaggānupassī assasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Paṭinissaggānupassī passasissāmī'ti sikkhati. Ayaṃ vuccat' Ānanda, ānāpānassati.

Sace kho tvaṃ Ānanda Girimānandassa bhikkhuno imā dasa saññā bhāseyyāsi, ṭhānaṃ kho pan'etaṃ vijjati yaṃ Girimānandassa bhikkhuno imā dasa saññā sutvā so ābādho ṭhānaso paṭippassambheyyā ti.

Atha kho āyasmā Ānando bhagavato santike imā dasa saññā uggahetvā yen'āyasmā Girimānando ten'upasaṅkami, upasaṅkamitvā āyasmato Girimānandassa imā dasa saññā abhāsi.

Atha kho āyasmato Girimānandassa dasa saññā sutvā so ābādho ṭhānaso paṭippassambhi. Vuṭṭhahi c'āyasmā Girimānando tamhā ābādhā. Tathā pahīno ca pan'āyasmato Girimānandassa so ābādho ahosī ti.

Girimānanda-suttam nitthitam.

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# 8.

# PĀŢIMOKKHA CHANTS

# 8.1 Ovāda-pāţimokkha-gāthā

Verses on the Training Code

[Handa mayam ovāda-pāṭimokkha-gāthāyo bhaṇāmase]

Sabba-pāpassa akaranam

Not doing any evil;

Kusalassūpasampadā

To be committed to the good;

Sacitta-pariyodapanam

To purify one's mind:

Etam buddhāna sāsanam

These are the teachings of all Buddhas.

Khantī paramam tapo tītikkhā

Patient endurance is the highest practice, burning out defilements;

Nibbānam paramam vadanti buddhā

The Buddhas say Nibbāna is supreme.

Na hi pabbajito parūpaghātī

Not a renunciant is one who injures others;

Samano hoti param vihethayanto

Whoever troubles others can't be called a monk.

Anūpavādo anūpaghāto

*Not to insult and not to injure;* 

Pāṭimokkhe ca saṃvaro

To live restrained by training rules;

Mattaññutā ca bhattasmim

*Knowing one's measure at the meal;* 

Pantañca sayan'āsanam

Retreating to a lonely place;

Adhicitte ca āyogo

*Devotion to the higher mind:* 

Etam buddhāna sāsanam

These are the teachings of all Buddhas.

Dhp 183-185

# 8.2 Sacca-kiriyā-gāthā

[Handa mayam sacca-kiriyā-gāthāyo bhanāmase]

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ buddho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi me hotu sabbadā

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ dhammo me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi me hotu sabbadā

Natthi me saraṇaṃ aññaṃ saṅgho me saraṇaṃ varaṃ Etena sacca-vajjena sotthi me hotu sabbadā For me there is no other Refuge, the Buddha ... Dhamma ... Sangha is my excellent refuge. By the utterance of this Truth, may there be blessings for me.

#### 8.3 Sīl'uddesa-pāţha

[Handa mayam sīl'uddesa-pāṭham bhanāmase]

Bhāsitam idaṃ tena bhagavatā jānatā passatā arahatā sammā-sambuddhena Sampanna-sīlā bhikkhave viharatha sampanna-pāṭimokkhā

Pāṭimokkha-saṃvara-saṃvutā viharatha ācāra-gocara-sampannā

Aņu-mattesu vajjesu bhaya-dassāvī samādāya sikkhatha sikkhāpadesū'ti

Tasmā-tih'amhehi sikkhitabbaṃ
Sampanna-sīlā viharissāma sampanna-pāṭimokkhā
Pāṭimokkha-saṃvara-saṃvutā viharissāma
ācāra-gocara-sampannā
Aṇu-mattesu vajjesu bhaya-dassāvī

samādāya sikkhissāma sikkhāpadesū'ti Evañ hi no sikkhitabbam

This has been said by the Lord, One-who-knows, One-who-sees, the Arahant, the Perfect Buddha enlightened by himself: 'Bhikkhus, be perfect in moral conduct. Be perfect in the Pāṭimokkha. Dwell restrained in accordance with the the Pāṭimokkha. Be perfect in

conduct and resort, seeing danger even in the slightest faults. Train yourselves by undertaking rightly the rules of training.'

Therefore we should train ourselves thus: 'We will be perfect in the Pāṭimokkha. We will dwell restrained in accordance with the Pāṭimokkha. We will be perfect in conduct and resort, seeing danger even in the slightest faults.' Thus indeed we should train ourselves.

D.I.63; D.III.266f

#### 8.4 Tāyana-gāthā

The Verses of Tāyana

[Handa mayam tāyana-gāthāyo bhanāmase]

Chinda sotam parakkamma Kāme panūda brāhmaṇa Nappahāya muni kāme N'ekattam-upapajjati

> Exert yourself and cut the stream. Discard sense pleasures, brahmin; Not letting sensual pleasures go, A sage will not reach unity.

Kayirā ce kayirāthenam Daļham-enam parakkame Sithilo hi paribbājo Bhiyyo ākirate rajam Vigorously, with all one's strength, It should be done, what should be done; A lax monastic life stirs up The dust of passions all the more.

Akatam dukkaṭam seyyo Pacchā tappati dukkaṭam Katañca sukatam seyyo Yam katvā nānutappati

Better is not to do bad deeds
That afterwards would bring remorse;
It's rather good deeds one should do
Which having done one won't regret.

Kuso yathā duggahito Hattham-evānukantati Sāmaññaṃ dupparāmaṭṭhaṃ Nirayāyūpakaḍḍhati

> As Kusa-grass, when wrongly grasped, Will only cut into one's hand So does the monk's life wrongly led Indeed drag one to hellish states.

Yam kiñci sithilam kammam Saṅkiliṭṭhañca yam vatam Saṅkassaram brahma-cariyam Na tam hoti mahapphalan'ti Whatever deed that's slackly done, Whatever vow corruptly kept, The Holy Life led in doubtful ways – All these will never bear great fruit.

S.I.49f

#### 8.5 Sāmaņera-sikkhā

Anuññāsi kho bhagavā Sāmaṇerānaṃ dasa sikkhā-padāni

Ten novice training rules were established by the Blessed One.

Tesu ca sāmaņerehi sikkhitum

They are the things in which a novice should train:

Pāṇātipātā veramaṇī

Abstaining from killing living beings

Adinn'ādānā veramanī

Abstaining from taking what is not given

Abrahma-cariyā veramaņī

Abstaining from unchastity

Musā-vādā veramaņī

Abstaining from false speech

Surā-meraya-majja-pamādaṭṭhānā veramaṇī

Abstaining from intoxicants that dull the mind

Vikāla-bhojanā veramaņī

Abstaining from eating at the wrong time

Nacca-gīta-vādita-visūka-dassanā veramaņī

Abstaining from dancing, singing, music and watching shows

Mālā-gandha-vilepana-dhāraṇa-

mandana-vibhūsanatthānā veramanī

Abstaining from perfumes, beautification and adornment

Uccā-sayana-mahā-sayanā veramaņī

Abstaining from lying on high or luxurious beds

Jāta-rūpa-rajata-paţiggahanā veramanī'ti.

Abstaining from using gold, silver or money.

Vin.I.83f

Anuññāsi kho Bhagavā

Dasahi angehi samannagatam samaneram nasetum

Ten grounds for a novice to be dismissed were established by the Blessed One.

Katamehi dasahi

What are these ten?

Pāṇātipātī hoti

He is a killer of living beings

Adinn'ādāyī hoti

He is a taker of what is not given

Abrahma-cārī hoti

He is a practicioner of unchastity

Musā-vādī hoti

He is a speaker of falsity

Majja-pāyī hoti

He is a consumer of intoxicants

Buddhassa avannam bhāsati

He speaks in dispraise of the Buddha

Dhammassa avannam bhāsati

He speaks in dispraise of the Dhamma

Sanghassa avannam bhāsati

He speaks in dispraise of the Sangha

Micchā-diţţhiko hoti

He is a holder of wrong views

Bhikkhunī-dūsako hoti

He has corrupted a nun

Anuññāsi kho Bhagavā

Imehi dasahi angehi samannagatam samaneram nasetun'ti.

These are the ten grounds for a novice to be dismissed which were established by the Blessed One.

Vin.I.85

Anuññāsi kho Bhagavā

Pañcahi aṅgehi samannāgatassa sāmaṇerassa daṇḍa-kammaṃ kātuṃ

Five grounds for a novice to be punished were established by the Blessed One.

Katamehi pañcahi

What are these five?

Bhikkhūnam alābhāya parisakkati

He strives for the loss of the Bhikkhus

Bhikkhūnam anatthāya parisakkati

He strives for the non-benefit of the Bhikkhus

Bhikkhūnam anāvāsāya parisakkati

He strives for the non-residence of the Bhikkhus

Bhikkhū akkosati paribhāsati

He insults or abuses the Bhikkhus

Bhikkhū bhikkhūhi bhedeti

He causes a split between the Bhikkhus

Anuññāsi kho Bhagavā Imehi pañcahi aṅgehi samannāgatassa sāmaṇerassa daṇḍa-kammaṃ kātun'ti

These are the ten grounds for a novice to be punished that were established by the Blessed One.

Vin.I.84

# 9.

# CHANTS USED IN SRI LANKA

#### 9.1 Devotional Chants

## 9.1.1 Salutation to the Three Main Objects of Venerations

Vandāmi cetiyam sabbam Sabba-ṭhānesu patiṭṭhitam Sārīrīka-dhātu-Mahā-bodhim Buddha-rūpam sakalam sadā.

#### 9.1.2 Salutation to the Bodhi-Tree

Yassa mūle nissino va sabbāri vijayaṃ akā,
Patto sabbaññutaṃ Satthā vande taṃ Bodhi-pādapaṃ.
Ime ete Mahā-Bodhi loka-nāthena pūjitā,
Aham-pi te namassāmi bodhi-Rājā nam'atthu te!

# 9.1.3 Offering of Lights

Ghana-sārappadittena Dīpena tama-dhaṃsinā Tīloka-dīpam sambuddhaṃ Pūjayāmi tamo-nudaṃ.

#### 9.1.4 Offering of Incense

Gandha-sambhāra-yuttena Dhūpenāhaṃ sugandhinā Pūjaye pūjaneyyan-taṃ Pūjā-bhājanam-uttamaṃ.

#### 9.1.5 Offering of Flowers

Vaṇṇa-gandha-guṇopetaṃ
Etaṃ kusuma-santatiṃ.
Pūjayāmi munindassa
Sirīpāda-saroruhe.
Pūjemi Buddhaṃ kusumena'nena
Puññenam-etena ca hotu mokkhaṃ
Pupphaṃ milāyāti yathā idaṃ me
Kāyo tathā yāti vināsa-bhāvaṃ.

#### 9.1.6 Transference of Merit to Devas

Ākāsatthā ca bhummatthā
Devā nāgā mah'iddhikā
Puññaṃ taṃ anumoditvā
Ciraṃ rakkhantu [loka] sāsanaṃ
Ciraṃ rakkhantu desanaṃ
Ciraṃ rakkhantu maṃ paraṃ
Ettāvatā ca amhehi
Sambhataṃ puñña-sampadaṃ
Sabbe devā/ bhūtā/ sattā anumodantu
Sabba-sampatti siddhiyā.

# 9.1.7 Blessing to the World

Devo vassatu kālena Sassa-sampatti-hetu ca Phīto bhavatu loko ca Rajā bhavatu dhammiko.

#### 9.1.8 Transference of Merits to Departed Ones

Idam te/vo/no/me ñātīnam hotu sukhitā hontu ñātayo. (×3)

(When chanting for one person use 'te'; when for laypeople use 'vo'; when chanting together in a group use 'no'; when alone use 'me'.)

# 9.1.9 The Aspirations

Iminā puññakammena mā me bāla-samāgamo, Sataṃ samāgamo hotu, yāva nibbāna-pattiyā. Kāyena vācā-cittena pamādena mayā kataṃ Accayaṃ khama me bhante bhūri-pañña Tathāgata.

# 9.1.10 Blessing and Protection

Sabb'ītiyo vivajjantu
Mā me/no bhavatvantarāyo
Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ
Sabba-buddhānubhāvena
Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ
Sabba-dhammānunbhāvena
Bhavatu sabba-maṅgalaṃ.
Sabba-saṅghānubhāvena,
Nakkhatta-yakkha-bhūtānaṃ
Parittassānubhāvena
Devo vassatu kālena.
Phīto bhavatu loko ca.
Sabbe buddhā balappattā,
Arahantānañca tejena,

sabba-rogo vinassatu; sukhī dīghāyuko/ā bhava/homa. rakkhantu sabba-devatā. sadā sotthi bhavantu me. pāpaggaha-nivāraṇā hantvā mayhaṃ/amhe upaddave. sassa-sampatti-hetu ca. rājā bhavatu dhammiko. paccekānañca yaṃ balaṃ rakkham bandhāmi sabbaso.

#### 9.1.11 Mettā Bhāvanā

Attūpamāya sabbesaṃ Passitvā kamato mettaṃ Sukhi bhaveyyaṃ niddukkho Hitā ca me sukhī hontu Imamhi gāmakkhettamhi Tato parañ ca-rajjesu sattānaṃ sukhakāmataṃ, sabbasattesu bhāvaye. ahaṃ niccaṃ ahaṃ viya, majjhatthā c'atha verino. sattā hontu sukhī sadā, cakkavāļesu jantuno.

Samantā cakkavāļesu Sukhino puggala bhūtā Tathā itthī pumā ce'va Devā narā apāyaṭṭhā sattānan-tesu pāṇino, attabhāvagatā siyum. ariya anariya' pi ca, tathā dasa disāsu cā-ti.

# 9.1.12 Pattanumodana (Sharing Merits)

Idaṃ te/vo/no/me ñātīnaṃ hotu Sukhitā hontu ñātayo (×3)

Yathā vāri-vahā pūrā
Evaṃ eva ito dinnaṃ
Unname udakaṃ vattaṃ
Evaṃ eva ito dinnaṃ
Āyūr-arogya-sampatti
Atho nibbāna-sampatti
Icchitaṃ patthitaṃ tuyhaṃ
Pūrentu citta-saṅkappā
Icchitaṃ patthitaṃ tuyhaṃ
Pūrentu citta-saṅkappā
Icchitaṃ patthitaṃ tuyhaṃ
Sabbe pūrentu saṅkappā

paripūrenti sāgaram,
petānam upakappatu.
yathā ninnam pavattati,
petānam upakappatu.
sagga-sampattim eva ca,
iminā te/vo/no/me samijjhatu.
sabbam-eva samijjhatu,
maṇi-joti-raso yathā.
sabbam-eva samijjhatu,
cando paṇṇa-rasī yathā.
khippam-eva samijjhatu,
cando paṇṇa-rasī yathā.

Petavatthu p.19-31 & KhpA. 206-215

#### 9.2 Offences

# 9.2.1 Āpatti-paţidesanā (Confession of Offences)

Method of confessing light offences

JCB: Junior Confessing Bhikkhu

SAB: Senior Acknowledging Bhikkhu

JCB: Okāsa, aham bhante, sabbā āpattiyo ārocemi.

Dutiyam-pi aham bhante, sabbā āpattiyo ārocemi.

Tatiyam-pi aham bhante, sabbā āpattiyo ārocemi.

I ven. sir, declare all offences. For the second time... For the third time...

SAB: Sādhu, sādhu.

It is good, it is good.

<u>JCB:</u> Okāsa ahaṃ bhante, sambahulā nānā-vatthukā āpattiyo āpajjiṃ, tā tumha-mūle paṭidesemi.

I, ven. sir, having many times fallen into many different offences with different bases, these I confess.

SAB: Passasi āvuso tā āpattiyo?

Do you see, friend, those offences?

JCB: Āma bhante passāmi.

Yes, ven. sir, I see.

SAB: Āyatim āvuso samvareyyāsi.

*In the future, friend, you should be restrained.* 

JCB: Sādhu suṭṭhu bhante āyatim samvarissāmi.

Dutiyam-pi sādhu sutthu bhante āyatim samvarissāmi.

Tatiyam-pi sādhu suṭṭhu bhante āyatim samvarissāmi.

It is well indeed, ven. sir, in future I shall be restrained. For the second time...For the third time...

SAB: Sādhu, sādhu. It is good, it is good.

JCB: Okāsa ahaṃ bhante, sabbā tā garukāpattiyo āvikaromi. Dutiyam-pi okāsa ahaṃ bhante, sabbā tā garukāpattiyo āvikaromi. Tatiyam-pi okāsa ahaṃ bhante, sabbā tā garukāpattiyo āvikaromi.

Ven. sir, I reveal all heavy offences. For the second time... For the third time...

This final declaration is only used in some communities. Also, some communities will acknowledge with a 'Sādhu' after each declaration rather than as shown above. That is, after each 'ārocemi' and each 'saṃvarissāmi'.

# Formula for same base offences

<u>JCB:</u> Okāsa ahaṃ bhante, desanādukkaṭāpattiṃ āpajjiṃ, taṃ tumha-mūle paṭidesemi.

I, ven. sir, confess an offence of wrong-doing through having confessed the same-based offences.

<u>SAB:</u> Passasi āvuso tam āpaṭṭim? Do you see, friend, that offence?

JCB: Āma bhante passāmi.

Yes, ven. sir, I see.

SAB: Āyatim āvuso samvareyyāsi.

In the future, friend, you should be restrained.

<u>JCB:</u> Sādhu suṭṭhu bhante āyatiṃ saṃvarissāmi. Dutiyam-pi sādhu suṭṭhu ... . Tatiyam-pi ... saṃvarissāmi.

It is well indeed, ven. sir, in future I shall be restrained. For the second time... For the third time...

SAB: Sādhu, sādhu.

It is good, it is good.

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#### 9.3 Rains and Kathina

# 9.3.1 Entering the Rains

'Imasmim vihāre imam te-māsam vassam upemi. Idha vassam upemi.'

'I enter the Rains in this kuṭi for three months. I enter the Rains here.'

## 9.4 Uposatha-day for Lay-followers

# 9.4.1 Eight Precepts

With hands in añjali, the laypeople recite the following request:

'Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu! Okāsa ahaṃ bhante ti-saraṇena saddhiṃ aṭṭh'aṅga sīlaṃ dhammaṃ yācāmi, anuggahaṃ katvā sīlaṃ detha me bhante. Dutiyam-pi okāsa... detha me bhante. Tatiyam-pi okāsa... detha me bhante.'

Bhk: 'Yam aham vadāmi tam vadetha.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

Bhk: 'Namo...' (×3)

Laypeople: repeat.

Bhk:

'Buddham saranam gacchāmi.

Dhammam saraṇam gacchāmi.

Sangham saranam gacchāmi.

Dutiyam-pi Buddham saranam gacchāmi.

Dutiyam-pi Dhammam saranam gacchāmi.

Dutiyam-pi Sangham saranam gacchāmi.

Tatiyam-pi Buddham saranam gacchāmi.

Tatiyam-pi Dhammam saranam gacchāmi.

Tatiyam-pi Sangham saranam gacchāmi.'

Laypeople: repeat line by line.

Bhk: 'Saraṇagamanam sampuṇṇam.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

Then the bhikkhu recites, with the laypeople repeating line by line:

- Pāṇātipātā veramaṇī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.
- Adinnādānā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Abrahma-cariyā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Musāvādā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Surā-meraya-majja-pamādaṭṭhānā veramaṇī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.
- Vikāla-bhojanā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.

- Nacca-gīta vādita visūka-dassana mālāgandha vilepana dhāraņa maņḍana vibhūsanaṭṭhānā veramaņī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.
- Uccā-sayana mahā-sayanā veramaņī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.

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I undertake the precept to refrain from:

- destroying living beings.
- taking that which is not given.
- any kind of intentional sexual behaviour.
- false speech.
- intoxicating drinks and drugs that lead to carelessness.
- eating at wrong times.
- dancing, singing, music and going to entertainments, perfumes, beautification and adornment.
- lying on a high or luxurious sleeping place.

Bhk: 'Imam aṭṭh'anga-sīlam samādiyāmi.'

Laypeople: 'Imam atth'anga-sīlam samādiyāmi.' (×3)

Bhk: 'Ti-saraṇena saddhim aṭṭh'aṅga-sīlaṃ dhammaṃ sādhukaṃ surakkhitaṃ katvā appamādena sampādetha.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

Bhk:

'Sīlena sugatim yanti, Sīlena bhoga-sampadā, Sīlena nibbutim yanti, Tasmā sīlam visodhaye.'

'These Eight Precepts
Have morality as a vehicle for happiness,
Have morality as a vehicle for good fortune,
Have morality as a vehicle for liberation,
Let morality therefore be purified.'

The Laypeople may respond with:

'Sādhu, sādhu!'

#### 9.4.2 Five Precepts

With hands in añjali, the laypeople recite the following request:

'Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu! Okāsa ahaṃ bhante tisaraṇena saddhiṃ pañca-sīlaṃ dhammaṃ yācāmi, anuggahaṃ katvā sīlaṃ detha me bhante. Dutiyam-pi okāsa...'

Bhikkhu: 'Yam aham vadāmi tam vadetha.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

Bhk: 'Namo...' (×3)

Laypeople: repeat.

Bhk: 'Saranagamanam sampunnam.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

Then the bhikkhu recites, with the laypeople repeating line by line:

Pāṇātipātā veramaṇī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.

- Adinnādānā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Kāmesu micchā-cārā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Musā-vādā veramaņī sikkhā-padam samādiyāmi.
- Surā-meraya-majja-pamādaṭṭhānā veramaṇī sikkhā-padaṃ samādiyāmi.

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#### Bhk:

'Tisaraṇena saddhim pañcasīlam dhammam sādhukam surakkhitam katvā appamādena sampādetha.'

Laypeople: 'Āma, bhante.'

#### Bhk:

'Sīlena sugatiṃ yanti Sīlena bhoga-sampadā, Sīlena nibbutiṃ yanti, Tasmā sīlaṃ visodhaye.'

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'And even as the great ocean is stable and does not overflow its banks, even so, bhikkhus, whatever training rule has been laid down by me for my disciples, they will not transgress it even for life's sake.'

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# 10.

# 10.1 Ten Reasons for Establishing the Pāţimokkha

- 1. For the excellence of the Sangha;
- 2. for the wellbeing of the Sangha;
- 3. for the control of ill-controlled bhikkhus;
- 4. for the comfort of well-behaved bhikkhus;
- 5. for the restraint of the taints in this present state;
- 6. for protection against the taints in a future state;
- 7. to give confidence to those of little faith;
- 8. to increase the confidence of the faithful;
- 9. to establish the True Dhamma;
- 10. to support the Vinaya.

Vin.III.20; A.V.70

# 10.2 Four Great Standards (Mahāpadesa)

Whatever things are not prohibited as unallowable but agree with things that are unallowable, being opposed to things that are allowable — such things are unsuitable.

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Whatever things are not prohibited as unallowable but agree with things that are allowable, being opposed to things that are unallowable — such things are suitable.

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Whatever things are not permitted as allowable but agree with things that are allowable, being opposed to things that are unallowable — such things are suitable.

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# 10.3 Upholding the Principles

If there is some obstacle to [the practice of the training rules], due to time and place, the rules should be upheld indirectly and not given up entirely, for otherwise there will be no principles (for discipline). A community without principles for discipline cannot last long...

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# 11.

# REQUISITES

## 11.1 Bindu (Marking)

Before use, a new robe must be marked with three dots, blue, green, black or brown in colour, saying, either out loud or mentally:

'Imam bindukappam karomi.' (×3) 'I make this properly marked.'

Vin.IV.120

### 11.2 Adhitthāna (Determining)

'Imaṃ saṅghāṭiṃ adhiṭṭhāmi.'
'I determine this outer robe.'

For 'saṅghāṭiṃ' substitute item as appropriate:

- uttarā-sangam (upper robe)
- antara-vāsakam (lower robe)
- pattam (alms bowl)
- nisīdanam (sitting-cloth)
- kaṇḍu-paṭicchādim (skin-eruption covering cloth)
- vassika-sāṭikam (rains cloth)
- paccattharaṇaṃ (sleeping cloth)
- mukha-puñchana-colam (handkerchief)

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• parikkhāra-colam (small requisite)

The first three articles must be properly marked *before* being determined for use. Only one of each of these items may be determined at any one time.

The rains cloth may be used only during the four months of the

There is no limit to the number of articles which may be determined in each of the last three categories above, e.g.:

'Imāni paccattharanāni adhitthāmi.'

'I determine these sleeping cloths.'

Substitute 'mukhapuñchana-colāni' (handkerchiefs) or 'parikkhāra-colāni' (small requisites) as appropriate.

Articles are determined either by touching the article and mentally reciting the relevant Pali passage, or by uttering the Pali passage without touching the article. In the latter case, if the article is beyond forearm's length:

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'imam' (this) → 'etam' (that)
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'imāni' (these) → 'etāni' (those)

Sp.III.643-644

## 11.3 Paccuddharana (Relinquishing)

When an outer robe, upper robe, lower robe, alms bowl or sitting-cloth is to be replaced, the article already determined must first be relinquished from use:

'Imam sanghāṭim paccuddharāmi.'

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'I relinquish this outer robe.'

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Substitute the appropriate item for 'saṅghāṭiṃ'.

Apart from relinquishing from use, a determined article ceases to be determined if it is given to another, is stolen, is taken on trust by a friend, or has a large visible hole in it.

### 11.4 Vikappana (Sharing Ownership)

There are varied practices about sharing ownership. Here are the most common ways.

### 11.4.1 Generally Addressing the Recipient

In the presence of the receiving bhikkhu, and with the article within forearm's length:

'Imam cīvaram tuyham vikappemi.'

'I share this robe with you.'

'Imāni cīvarāni tuyham vikappemi.'

"... these robes ..."

'Imam pattam tuyham vikappemi.'

'... this bowl ...'

'Ime patte tuyham vikappemi.'

"... these bowls ..."

When the receiving bhikkhu is the senior:

'tuyham' → 'āyasmato'

When it is shared with more than one bhikkhu:

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'tuyham' → 'tumhākam'
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When the article is beyond forearm's length:

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'imam' → 'etam';
'imāni' → 'etāni';
'ime' → 'ete'
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## 11.4.2 Addressing the Recipient by Name

In the presence of the receiving bhikkhu (who is named, e.g., '*Uttaro*'), and with the article within forearm's length, one says to another bhikkhu:

'Imam cīvaram uttarassa bhikkhuno vikappemi.'

'I share this robe with Uttaro Bhikkhu.'

When the receiving bhikkhu is the senior:

ʻuttarassa bhikkhuno' → 'āyasmato uttarassa'

If it is shared with a novice:

'uttarassa bhikkhuno' → 'uttarassa sāmaṇerassa'

To share a bowl: 'cīvaram' → 'pattam'

If more than one article is to be shared substitute the plural form as in sec. 11.4.1 above.

When the item is beyond forearm's length substitute as in sec. 11.4.1 above.

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### 11.4.3 Receiving Bhikkhu is Absent

In the absence of the receiving bhikkhus, say to a witness:

'Imam cīvaram vikappanatthāya tuyham dammi.'

'I give this robe to you for the purpose of sharing.'

The witness should then ask the original owner the names of two bhikkhus or novices who are his friends or acquaintances:

'Ko te mitto vā sandiṭṭho vā.'

'Who is your friend or acquaintance?'

After the original owner tells their names, e.g.,

'Uttaro bhikkhu ca tisso sāmaņero ca.'

'Bhikkhu Uttaro and Sāmaṇera Tisso.'

The witness then says:

'Aham tesam dammi.' 'I give it to them.'

or

'Aham uttarassa bhikkhuno ca tissassa sāmanerassa dammi.'

'I give it to Bhikkhu Uttaro and Sāmaṇera Tisso.'

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To share a bowl: 'cīvaraṃ' → 'pattaṃ'

If more than one article is to be shared substitute the plural form as in sec.11.4.1 above.

When the item is beyond forearm's length substitute as in sec.11.4.1 above.

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# 11.5 Vikappana-paccuddharaṇa (Relinquishing Shared Ownership)

Before actually using the shared article, the other bhikkhu must relinquish his share.

If the other bhikkhu is senior, and the article is within forearm's length:

'Imaṃ cīvaraṃ mayhaṃ santakaṃ paribhuñja vā visajjehi vā yathāpaccayaṃ vā karohi.'

'This robe of mine: you may use it, give it away, or do as you wish with it.'

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When more than one robe is being relinquished:

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'imam cīvaram' → 'imāni cīvarāni'
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'santakam' → 'santakāni'

When the second owner is junior:

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'paribhuñja' → 'paribhuñjatha'
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'visajjehi' → 'visajjetha'

'karohi' → 'karotha'

If the articles are beyond forearm's length, change case accordingly:

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'imam' (this) \rightarrow 'etam' (that)
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'imāni' (these) → 'etāni' (those)

To rescind the shared ownership in the case when the receiving bhikkhu is absent (sec. 11.4.3), the witness says:

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'Tesaṃ santakaṃ paribhuñja vā vissajjehi vā yathāpaccayaṃ vā karohi.'

'Use what is theirs, give it away or do as you like with it.'

To rescind the shared ownership of a bowl:

'cīvaram' → 'pattam'

and alter according to sec. 11.4.1 above.

The practice of some communities when sharing ownership of a bowl is that permission is not required before using it. However, if the first owner wishes to determine a shared bowl, the second owner should relinquish it first.

# 12.

## **OFFENCES**

## 12.1 Āpatti-paţidesanā (Confession of Offences)

### 12.1.1 Six reasons for apatti

(1) Lack of shame; (2) ignorance of the rule; (3) in doubt but goes ahead; (4) thinks he ought when he ought not; (5) thinks he ought not when he ought; (6) acts without thinking (i.e. absent-mindedly).

## 12.1.2 Four conditions for exemption from āpatti

A bhikkhu who is (1) insane, (2) delirious, (3) suffering intense pain, or (4) the original perpetrator.

### 12.1.3 The kinds of āpatti

- (a) Those that cannot be remedied (pārājika).
- **(b)** Those that can be remedied:

Heavy offences (sanghādisesa), confessed to a Sangha.

Light offences, confessed to another bhikkhu: *thullaccaya* (grave offences), *pācittiya* (offences of expiation), *pāṭidesanīya* (offences to be confessed), *dukkaṭa* (offences of wrongdoing), and *dubbhāsita* (offences of wrong speech).

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### 12.1.4 Method of confessing light offences

(Thai Formula)

Before the general confession any known offences should be specified. Two bhikkhus with the same offence should not confess that offence together. To do so is a *dukkaṭa* offence. *Vin.IV.122* 

SB: Senior Bhikkhu

<u>JB:</u> Junior Bhikkhu

Junior bhikkhu is confessing:

JB: Ahaṃ bhante sambahulā nānā-vatthukāyo *thullaccayāyo* āpattiyo āpanno tā paṭidesemi.

I, ven. sir, having many times fallen into grave offences with different bases, these I confess.

SB: Passasi āvuso.

Do you see, friend?

JB: Āma bhante passāmi.

Yes, ven. sir, I see.

SB: Āyatim āvuso samvareyyāsi.

In future, friend, you should be restrained.

JB: Sādhu sutthu bhante samvarissāmi. (×3)

It is well indeed, ven. sir. I shall be restrained.

Senior bhikkhu is confessing:

<u>SB:</u> Ahaṃ āvuso sambahulā nānā-vatthukāyo *thullaccayāyo* āpattiyo āpanno tā paṭidesemi.

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I, friend, having many times fallen into grave offences with different bases, these I confess.

JB: Passatha bhante.

Do you see, ven. sir?

SB: Āma āvuso passāmi.

Yes, friend, I see.

<u>JB:</u> Āyatiṃ bhante saṃvareyyātha.

In future, ven. sir, you should be restrained.

SB: Sādhu suṭṭhu āvuso saṃvarissāmi. (×3)

It is well indeed, friend. I shall be restrained.

This formula is repeated replacing 'thullaccayāyo' with, in turn, 'pācittiyāyo', 'dukkaṭāyo', 'dubbhāsitāyo'.

With 'dubbhāsitāyo' omit 'nānā-vatthukāyo'.

When confessing two offences of the same class:

'sambahulā'  $(many) \rightarrow$  'dve' (twice)

When confessing a single offence:

'Sambahulā nānā-vatthukāyo thullaccayāyo āpattiyo āpanno tā paṭidesemi.'

→ 'Ekam thullaccayam āpattim āpanno tam paṭidesemi.'

Replace, as appropriate, 'thullaccayam' with 'pācittiyam', 'dukkaṭam', 'dubbhāsitam'.

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## 12.2 Nissaggiya Pācittiya

When confessing a nissaggiya pācittiya ('expiation with forfeiture') offence, substitute 'nissaggiyāyo pācittiyāyo' for 'thullaccayāyo', or 'nissaggiyaṃ pācittiyaṃ' for 'thullaccayaṃ' in the formula at sec.12.1.4 above.

However, before confessing, the article in question must be forfeited to another bhikkhu or to a Sangha. *Vin.III.196f* 

### 12.2.1 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 1 ('extra robe')

On the eleventh dawn of keeping one 'extra robe', within forearm's length, forfeiting to a more senior bhikkhu:

'Idaṃ me *bhante* cīvaraṃ dasāhātikkantaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This extra robe, ven. sir, which has passed beyond the ten day (limit), is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

More than one robe, within forearm's length:

'Imāni me bhante cīvarāni dasāhātikkantāni nissaggiyāni. Imānāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

If forfeiting to a Sangha: 'āyasamato' → 'saṅghassa'

If forfeiting to a group of bhikkhus:

'āyasamato' → 'āysamantānam'

If senior bhikkhu: 'bhante' → 'āvuso'

If beyond forearm's length:

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'idam' (this)  $\rightarrow$  'etam' (that)

'imāham' → 'etāham'

'imāni' (these) → 'etāni' (those)

'imānāham' → 'etānāham'

### Returning the robe

'Imam cīvaram āyasmato dammi.'

'I give this robe to you.'

Vin.III.197

For returning more than one robe:

'imam' → 'imāni'; 'cīvaram' → 'cīvarāni'

This formula for returning the article(s) also applies in NP. 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 below.

### 12.2.2 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 2 ('separated from')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ ratti-vippavutthaṃ aññatra bhikkhu-sammatiyā nissaggiyam. Imāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has stayed separate (from me) for a night without the consent of the bhikkhus, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.199-200

If multiple robes:

'cīvaram' → 'dvicīvaram'/'ticīvaram' (two-/three-robes)

## 12.2.3 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 3 ('over-kept cloth')

ʻIdam me bhante akāla-cīvaram māsātikkantam nissaggiyam. Imāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.' 12. OFFENCES 243

'This, ven. sir, 'out of season' robe, which has passed beyond the month (limit), is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.' Vin.III.205

For more than one piece of cloth:

'Imāni me bhante akāla-cīvarāni māsātikkantāni nissaggiyāni. Imānāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

### 12.2.4 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 6 ('asked for')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ aññātakaṃ gahapatikaṃ aññatra samayā viññāpitaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has been asked from an unrelated householder at other than the proper occasion, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.213

For more than one piece of cloth:

'Imāni me bhante cīvarāni aññātakaṃ gahapatikaṃ aññatra samayā viññāpitāni nissaggiyāni. Imānāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

## 12.2.5 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 7 ('beyond limit')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ aññātakaṃ gahapatikaṃ upasaṃkamitvā tat'uttariṃ viññāpitaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has been asked for beyond the limitation from an unrelated householder, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.' Vin.III.214-215

For more than one piece of cloth:

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'Imāni me bhante cīvarāni aññātakam gahapatikam tat'uttarim viññāpitāni nissaggiyāni. Imānāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

### 12.2.6 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 8 ('instructing')

'Idam me bhante cīvaram pubbe appavārito aññātakam gahapatikam upasankamitvā cīvare vikappam āpannam nissaggiyam. Imāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has been instructed about after having approached an unrelated householder without prior invitation is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.217

### 12.2.7 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 9 ('instructing')

For a robe (robe-cloth) received after making instructions to two or more householders. Use formula of sec.12.2.6 above but change: 'aññātakaṃ gahapatikaṃ' → 'aññātake gahapatike'

For returning the robe(s) see sec.12.2.1 above.

Vin.III.219

## 12.2.8 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 10 ('reminding')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ atireka-tikkhattuṃ codanāya atireka-chakkhattuṃ ṭhānena abhinipphāditaṃ nissaggiyaṃ, imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has been obtained by inciting more than three times, by standing more than six times, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.223

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### 12.2.9 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 18 ('gold and silver')

'Ahaṃ bhante rūpiyaṃ paṭiggahesiṃ, idaṃ me nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ saṅghassa nissajjāmi.'

'Ven. sirs, I have accepted money. This is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to the Saṅgha.'

To be forfeited to the Sangha only.

Vin.III.238

### 12.2.10 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 19 ('monetary exchange')

'Ahaṃ bhante nānappakārakaṃ rūpiyasaṃvohāraṃ samāpajjiṃ, idaṃ me nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ saṅghassa nissajjāmi.'

'Ven. sirs, I have engaged in various kinds of trafficking with money. This (money) is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to the Saṅgha.'

To be forfeited to the Sangha only.

Vin.III.240

### 12.2.11 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 20 ('buying and selling')

'Ahaṃ bhante nānappakārakaṃ kayavikkayaṃ samāpajjiṃ, idaṃ me nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'Ven. sir, I have engaged in various kinds of buying and selling. This (gain) of mine is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.' Vin.III.242

If forfeiting to a Sangha: 'āyasmato' → 'saṅghassa'

If forfeiting to a group of bhikkhus:

'āyasmato' → 'āyasmantānam'

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### 12.2.12 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 21 ('extra bowl')

'Ayaṃ me bhante patto dasāhātikkanto nissaggiyo. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This bowl, ven. sir, which has passed beyond the ten-day (limit), is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

For returning the bowl:

'Imam pattam āyasmato dammi.'

'I give this bowl to you.'

Vin.III.243-244

### 12.2.13 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 22 ('new bowl')

'Ayaṃ me bhante patto ūnapañca-bandhanena pattena cetāpito nissaggiyo. Imāhaṃ saṅghassa nissajjāmi.'

'This bowl, ven. sirs, which has been exchanged for a bowl that has less than five mends, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to the Sangha.'

To be forfeited to the Sangha only.

Vin.III.246

### 12.2.14 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 23 ('kept tonics')

'Idaṃ me bhante bhesajjaṃ sattāhātikkantaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This tonic, ven. sir, which has passed beyond the seven-day (limit), is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Tonics can be returned, but not for consumption:

'Imam bhesajjam āyasmato dammi.'

'I give this tonic to you.'

Vin.III.251

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### 12.2.15 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 25 ('snatched back')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ bhikkhussa sāmaṃ datvā acchinnaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has been snatched back after having given it myself to a bhikkhu, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.255

### 12.2.16 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 28 ('urgent')

'Idaṃ me bhante acceka-cīvaraṃ cīvara-kālasamayaṃ atikkāmitaṃ nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe-offered-in-urgency, ven. sir, has passed beyond the robe-season, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.262

### 12.2.17 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 29 ('wilderness abode')

'Idaṃ me bhante cīvaraṃ atireka-chā-rattaṃ vippavutthaṃ aññatra bhikkhu-sammatiyā nissaggiyaṃ. Imāhaṃ āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This robe, ven. sir, which has stayed separate (from me) for a night without the consent of the bhikkhus, is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

Vin.III.264

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### 12.2.18 Nissaggiya Pācittiya 30 ('diverted gain')

'Idam me bhante jānam sanghikam lābham parinatam attano parināmitam nissaggiyam. Imāham āyasmato nissajjāmi.'

'This gain belonging to the Saṅgha, ven. sir, which has been (already) diverted (to someone), (and) which has been knowingly diverted to myself (instead), is to be forfeited by me: I forfeit it to you.'

To return the article: 'Imam āyasmato dammi.'

Vin.III.266

### 12.3 Sanghādisesa

- (i) A bhikkhu who has committed saṅghādisesa must first inform one or more bhikkhus, and then inform a Sangha of at least four bhikkhus of his fault(s) and ask to observe mānatta (penance). When the Sangha has given mānatta to that bhikkhu, he recites the formula undertaking mānatta and then practises the appropriate duties for six days and nights. When the bhikkhu has completed practising mānatta, he requests rehabilitation (abbhāna) in the presence of a Sangha of at least twenty bhikkhus.
- **(ii)** A bhikkhu who has committed *saṅghādisesa* and deliberately concealed it must first live in *parivāsa* (probation) for the number of days that the offence was concealed. When the bhikkhu has completed his time living in *parivāsa*, he requests *mānatta* and then follows the procedure outlined in (i) above.

# 13. UPOSATHA

### 13.1 Pārisuddhi-uposatha (Purity Uposatha)

### 13.1.1 Pārisuddhi Before Sangha

Declaring one's purity before the Sangha:

'Parisuddho aham bhante, parisuddho'ti mam sangho dhāretu.'

'I, ven. sirs, am quite pure (of offences). May the Saṅgha hold me to be pure.'

Vin.I.120-129

### 13.1.2 Pārisuddhi for Three Bhikkhus

The Pātimokkha requires at least four bhikkhus. If there are only three bhikkhus then, after the preliminary duties and the general confession, one bhikkhu chants the *ñatti*:

'Suṇantu me bhante āyasmantā ajj'uposatho paṇṇaraso, yad'āyasmantānaṃ pattakallaṃ, mayaṃ aññamaññaṃ pārisuddhi uposathaṃ kareyyāma.'

'Let the ven. ones listen to me. Today is an Observance day, which is a fifteenth (day of the fortnight). If it seems right to the ven. ones let us carry out the Observance with one another by way of entire purity.'

When it is the 14th day:

'paṇṇaraso' → 'cātuddaso'

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If the announcing bhikkhu is the most senior:

'bhante' → 'āvuso'

Then, starting with the senior bhikkhu:

'Parisuddho aham āvuso,

parisuddho'ti mam dhāretha.' (×3)

'I, friends, am quite pure. Understand that I am quite pure.'

For each of the two junior bhikkhus:

'āvuso' → 'bhante'

### 13.1.3 Pārisuddhi for Two Bhikkhus

Omit the *ñatti*. The senior bhikkhu declares purity first:

'Parisuddho aham āvuso, parisuddho'ti mam dhārehi.' (×3)

For the junior:

'āvuso' → 'bhante'

'dhārehi' → 'dhāretha'

## 13.1.4 Adhitthānuposatha (For a lone bhikkhu)

For a bhikkhu staying alone on the Uposatha day. After the preliminary duties, he then determines:

'Ajja me uposatho.'

'Today is an Observance day for me.'

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#### 13.2 Sick Bhikkhus

### 13.2.1 Pārisuddhi

(a) The sick bhikkhu makes general confession, then:

'Pārisuddhiṃ dammi, pārisuddhiṃ me hara, pārisuddhiṃ me ārocehi.'

'I give my purity. Please convey purity for me (and) declare purity for me.'

If the sick bhikkhu is the junior:

'hara' → 'haratha'

'ārocehi' → 'ārocetha'

**(b)** The sick bhikkhu's (e.g. Uttaro's) purity is conveyed after the Pātimokkha:

'Āyasmā bhante 'uttaro' bhikkhu gilāno, parisuddho'ti paṭijāni, parisuddho'ti tam saṅgho dhāretu.'

'Ven. sirs, 'Uttaro Bhikkhu' who is sick acknowedges that he is pure. May the Saṅgha hold him to be pure.'

If the bhikkhu conveying purity is senior to the sick bhikkhu:

'Āyasmā bhante uttaro' → 'Uttaro bhante bhikkhu'

## 13.2.2 Sending Consent (Chanda)

(a) The sick bhikkhu sends his consent to the saṅghakamma:

'Chandaṃ dammi, chandaṃ me hara, chandaṃ me ārocehi.'

'I offer my consent. May you convey my consent (to the Saṅgha). May you declare my consent to them.'

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If the sick bhikkhu is the junior:

- 'hara' → 'haratha'
- 'ārocehi' → 'ārocetha'
- **(b)** Informing the Sangha of the sick bhikkhu's consent:
- 'Āyasmā bhante 'uttaro' mayham chandam adāsi, tassa chando mayā āhaṭo, sādhu bhante saṅgho dhāretu.'
- 'Ven. sirs, 'Uttaro Bhikkhu' has given his consent to me. I have conveyed his consent. It is well, ven. sirs, if the Saṅgha holds it to be so.'

If the bhikkhu conveying consent is senior to the sick bhikkhu:

'Āyasmā bhante uttaro' → 'Uttaro bhante bhikkhu'

### 13.2.3 Pārisuddhi and Chanda

When both purity and consent are conveyed to the Sangha:

'*Uttaro* bhante bhikkhu gilāno mayhaṃ chandañca pārisuddhiñca adāsi, tassa chando ca pārisuddhi ca mayā āhaṭā, sādhu bhante saṅgho dhāretu.'

'Ven. sirs, 'Uttaro Bhikkhu' is sick. He has given his consent and purity to me. I have conveyed his consent and purity. It is well, ven. sirs, if the Sangha holds it to be so.'

### 13.3 Reciting the Pātimokkha in Brief

If there are four or more bhikkhus at the uposatha, but there is an obstruction to reciting the Pāṭimokkha in full, it may be recited in brief, abbreviating the recited text and announcing the remainder as 'heard' ( $sut\bar{a}$ ).

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On the occasions when an abbreviated recitation is necessary, it is common practice to recite the Pubbakicca, Nidāna, followed by the Pārājika rules, and announce the rest as 'heard'.

One may include the Saṅghādisesa and Aniyata rules as well, for a longer recitation, or if the situation demands it, there is allowance to abbreviate directly after the Nidāna for a shorter recitation.

If the abbreviation is after the Pārājika rules, the chanter concludes with:

'Uddiṭṭhaṃ kho āyasmanto nidānam.

Uddițțhā cattāro pārājikā dhammā.

Sutā terasa saṅghādisesā dhammā.

Sutā dve aniyatā dhammā.

Sutā timsa nissaggiyā pācittiyā dhammā.

Sutā dve-navuti pācittiyā dhammā.

Sutā cattāro pāṭidesanīyā dhammā.

Sutā sekhiyā dhammā.

Sutā sattādhikaraņa-samathā dhammā.

Ettakantassa bhagavato suttāgatam sutta-pariyāpannam anvaḍḍha-māsam uddesam āgacchati. Tattha sabbeh'eva samaggehi sammoda-mānehi avivada-mānehi sikkhitabban'ti.

Bhikkhu-pāṭimokkham niṭṭhitam.'

Vinaya Mukha Vol 2., p.107

## 14.

# RAINS AND KATHINA

### 14.1 Khamāpana-kamma (Asking for Forgiveness)

### Setup

Prepare an offering tray with two candles, incense, some flowers, and optionally other gifts. Prepare a seat and water for the Ācariya if appropriate for the occasion. Wear your triple robe.

## Asking for Forgiveness

All community members as a group kneel on toes before the Ācariya. The most senior of them is going to lead the ceremony. He moves in front of the group, with the offering tray to his side.

All members of the group bow three times together, and remain in a bowed posture for the chanting.

The leader may prompt the chanting, then all members of the group are chanting together.

Leader: 'Na-'

All: 'Namo tassa...' (×3)

The leader picks up and holds the tray, still in a bowed posture.

Leader: 'Ā-'

All: 'Āyasmante pamādena, dvārattayena kataṃ,

sabbam aparādham khamatu no bhante.'

(Forgive us, ven. sir, for all wrong-doing done carelessly to the ven. one by way of the three doors.)

The leader offers the tray to the Ācariya.

The Ācariya:

'Ahaṃ khamāmi, tumhehi pi me khamitabbaṃ.' (I forgive you. You should also forgive me.)

The group responds together:

'Khamāma bhante.'
(We forgive you, ven. sir.)

The group stays in a bowed posture while the Ācariya gives his blessing:

'Evaṃ hotu evaṃ hotu, Yo ca pubbe pamajjitvā pacchā so nappamajjati, So'maṃ lokaṃ pabhāseti abbhā mutto va candimā.'

'Yassa pāpaṃ kataṃ kammaṃ kusalena pithīyati, So'maṃ lokaṃ pabhāseti abbhā mutto va candimā.'

'Abhivādana sīlissa niccaṃ vuḍḍhāpacāyino, Cattāro dhammā vaḍḍhanti: Āyu vanno sukham balam.'

Dhp 172, 173, 109

At the end of the blessing the group, while still bowing, responds:

All: 'Sādhu bhante.'

### Variations depending on the situation

For senior bhikkhus generally use 'Āyasmante'. For Ajahns use 'There', 'Mahāthere', 'Ācariye', 'Upajjhāye', as appropriate.

When entering Rains, asking for forgiveness is followed by taking dependence (*nissaya*), see p.267.

When a single community member is asking for forgiveness:

'no' → 'me'

'tumhehi pi' → 'tayā pi'

'khamāma' → 'khamāmi'

## 14.2 Vassāvāsa (Rains-residence)

The Rains begins the day after the full-moon day of July (Āsāļha); if July has two full moons, it begins after the second full moon. During this time bhikkhus must live in a dwelling with a lockable door.

### 14.2.1 Entering the Rains (Thai tradition)

The boundaries are specified, then all resident bhikkhus:

'Imasmim āvāse imam te-māsam vassam upema.' (×3)

'We enter the Rains in this monastery for three months.'

If one bhikkhu at a time: 'upema' → 'upemi'

Alternatively:

'Imasmim vihāre imam te-māsam vassam upemi.' (×3)

'I enter the Rains in this dwelling for three months.'

## Alternatively:

'Idha vassam upemi.' (×3)

'I enter the Rains here.'

Sp.V.1067

### 14.2.2 Sattāha-karanīya (Seven-day leave)

Allowable reasons: to go to nurse an ill bhikkhu or one's parents, support a bhikkhu in danger of disrobing, aid another monastery, uphold the faith of lay supporters, etc.

One may take leave using one's own language, or the Pali:

'Sattāha-karaṇīyaṃ kiccaṃ me-v-atthi tasmā mayā gantabbaṃ, imasmiṃ sattāh'abbhantare nivattissāmi.'

'I have an obligation which must be fulfilled within seven days. Therefore I have to go. I shall return within seven days.'

Vin.I.139

## 14.2.3 Rains privileges

These last for one month following the Pavāraṇā day. One may: go wandering without taking leave; go without taking the complete set of robes; go taking any robes that have accrued; keep extra robes beyond ten days; eat a 'group meal', and 'substitute an invitation to a meal'.

### 14.3 Pavāraņā (Inviting Admonition)

### 14.3.1 For five or more bhikkhus

After the preliminary duties, one bhikkhu chants the *ñatti*:

'Suṇātu me bhante saṅgho.

Ajja pavāraņā pannarasī.

Yadi sanghassa pattakallam,

Sangho te-vācikam pavāreyya.'

'Ven. sirs, may the Community listen to me. Today is the Pavāraṇā on the fifteenth (day of the fortnight). If the Community is ready, the Community should invite with three statements.'

Vin.I.159

When it is the 14th day:

'paṇṇarasī' → 'cātuddasī'

If the announcing bhikkhu is the most senior:

'bhante' → 'āvuso'

If each bhikkhu is to state his invitation twice:

'te-vācikam' → 'dve-vācikam'

If each bhikkhu is to state his invitation once:

'te-vācikam' → 'eka-vācikam'

If bhikkhus of equal rains are to invite in unison:

'Saṅgho te-vācikaṃ pavāreyya' → 'Saṅgho samāna-vassikaṃ pavāreyya'

'The Community should invite in the manner of equal Rains.'

After the *ñatti*, if each bhikkhu is to invite 'three times', then, in order of Rains:

'Saṅghaṃ bhante pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Dutiyam-pi bhante saṅghaṃ pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Tatiyam-pi bhante saṅghaṃ pavāremi Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.'

'Ven. sirs, I invite admonition from the Sangha. According to what has been seen, heard or suspected, may the ven. ones instruct me out of compassion. Seeing it, I shall make amends. For a second time... For a third time....'

For the most senior bhikkhu:

'Saṅghaṃ bhante' → 'Saṅghaṃ āvuso' 'Dutiyam-pi bhante' → 'Dutiyam-pi āvuso' 'Tatiyam-pi bhante' → 'Tatiyam-pi āvuso'

### 14.3.2 For four or three bhikkhus

Preliminary duties, then *ñatti*:

'Suṇantu me āyasmanto, ajja pavāraṇā paṇṇarasī, yad'āyasmantānaṃ pattakallaṃ, mayaṃ aññamaññaṃ pavāreyyāma.'

'Sirs, may you listen to me. Today is the pavāraṇā on the 15th (day of the fortnight). If there is complete preparedness of the ven. ones, we should invite one another.'

Vin.I.162

If there are three bhikkhus: 'āyasmanto' → 'āyasmantā'

Then each bhikkhu in order of Rains:

'Ahaṃ bhante āyasmante pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Dutiyam-pi bhante āyasmante pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Tatiyam-pi bhante āyasmante pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu maṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.'

For the most senior bhikkhu:

'bhante' → 'āvuso'

If there are three bhikkhus:

'āyasmanto' → 'āyasmantā'

### 14.3.3 For two bhikkhus

Preliminary duties, but no *ñatti*, then each bhikkhu in order of Rains:

'Ahaṃ bhante āyasmantaṃ pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadatu maṃ āyasmā anukampaṃ upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Dutiyam-pi bhante āyasmantam pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadatu mam āyasmā anukampam upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.

Tatiyam-pi bhante āyasmantam pavāremi. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadatu mam āyasmā anukampam upādāya. Passanto paṭikkarissāmi.'

For the senior bhikkhu: 'bhante' → 'āvuso' Vin.I.163

## 14.3.4 For one bhikkhu

Preliminary duties, then:

'Ajja me pavāranā.'

'Today is my pavāraņā.'

Vin.I.163

### 14.3.5 Pavāranā by a sick bhikkhu

'Pavāraṇaṃ dammi, pavāraṇaṃ me hara, mam'atthāya pavārehi.'

'I give my invitation. May you convey invitation for me. May you invite on my behalf.'

Vin.I.161

If the sick bhikkhu is the junior one:

'hara' → 'haratha'

'pavārehi' → 'pavāretha'

The pavāraṇā of the sick bhikkhu (e.g. 'Uttaro') is conveyed in his place in the order of Rains:

'Āyasmā bhante 'uttaro' gilāno saṅghaṃ pavāreti. Diṭṭhena vā sutena vā parisaṅkāya vā, vadantu taṃ āyasmanto anukampaṃ upādāya.

Passanto paţikkarissati.

Dutiyam-pi bhante āyasmā 'uttaro' gilāno...

Passanto paţikkarissati.

Tatiyam-pi bhante āyasmā 'uttaro' gilāno...

Passanto paţikkarissati.'

'Ven. sirs, ven. 'Uttaro' who is sick makes invitation to the Saṅgha. With what you have seen, heard and suspected, may all of you instruct him out of compassion. Seeing it, he will make amends.'

If the conveying bhikkhu is senior to the sick bhikkhu:

'Āyasmā bhante 'uttaro" → "Uttaro' bhante bhikkhu'

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### 14.4 Kathina

### 14.4.1 Procedure to Give the Kathina-cloth

Before this procedure, during the public Kaṭhina ceremony with the lay supporters, the bhikkhus appoint who is going to receive the Kaṭhina-cloth. The wording of this *apalokana kamma* may be chosen by the resident community. The cloth is subsequently sewn into a robe.

When the sewing has been completed, the bhikkhus meet inside the  $s\bar{i}m\bar{a}$ .

After bowing to the shrine, chant the 'Dedication of Offerings' (Yo so bhaqavā...), and 'Preliminary Homage' (Namo tassa).

The chanting bhikkhu announces the motion and decision to give the *Kaṭhina-cloth* to a particular bhikkhu (sec.14.4.2).

The bhikkhu receiving the robe, in front of everyone, relinquishes the robe he will replace, usually the *antaravāsaka*. He marks the robe he has received with a *bindu*.

He leaves the room and changes into the new robe. He returns to the gathered bhikkhus, determines the new robe and completes the *Kathina* by chanting *Spreading the Kathina* (sec.14.4.3).

Together, the other bhikkhus chant their anumodanā (sec.14.4.4).

### 14.4.2 Kathina Sanghakamma

In the following, 'Amaro Bhikkhu' is the receiving senior bhikkhu.

Suṇātu me bhante saṅgho. Idaṃ saṅghassa kaṭhina-dussaṃ uppannaṃ. Yadi saṅghassa pattakallaṃ, saṅgho imaṃ kaṭhina-dussaṃ āyasmato *Amarassa* dadeyya, kaṭhinaṃ attharituṃ. Esā ñatti.

Suṇātu me bhante saṅgho. Idaṃ saṅghassa kaṭhina-dussaṃ uppannaṃ. Saṅgho imaṃ kaṭhina-dussaṃ āyasmato *Amarassa* deti, kaṭhinaṃ attharituṃ. Yass'āyasmato khamati, imassa kaṭhina-dussassa āyasmato *Amarassa* dānaṃ, kaṭhinaṃ attharituṃ, so tuṇh'assa. Yassa nakkhamati, so bhāseyya.

Dinnam idam saṅghena kaṭhina-dussam āyasmato *Amarassa*, kaṭhinam attharitum. Khamati saṅghassa, tasmā tuṇhī. Evam-etam dhārayāmi.

Mv.VII.1.4

Venerable sirs, may the Community listen to me. This Kaṭhina-cloth has arisen for the Community. If the Community is ready, it should give this Kaṭhina-cloth to Venerable Amaro to spread the Kaṭhina. This is the motion.

Venerable sirs, may the Community listen to me. This Kaṭhina-cloth has arisen for the Community. The Community is giving this Kaṭhina-cloth to Venerable Amaro to spread the Kaṭhina. He to whom the giving of this Kaṭhina-cloth to Venerable Amaro to spread the Kaṭhina is agreeable should remain silent. He to whom it is not agreeable should speak.

This Kaṭhina-cloth is given by the Community to Venerable Amaro to spread the Kaṭhina. This is agreeable to the Community, therefore it is silent. Thus do I hold it.

### 14.4.3 Spreading the Kathina

After the Kaṭhina robe has been sewn and dyed, and the old robe relinquished (p.232), the new robe should be marked and determined (p.231). Then the recipient chants *one* of the following:

'Namo....' (×3)

- (a) 'Imāya saṅghāṭiyā kaṭhinaṃ attharāmi.'
- (b) 'Iminā uttarāsangena kathinam attharāmi.'
- (c) 'Iminā antaravāsakena kathinam attharāmi.'

'By means of this outer robe / upper robe / lower robe I spread the Kathina.'

Sp.V.1109; Pv.XIV.4

### 14.4.4 Kathina Anumodanā

The recipient of the Kathina:

'Atthataṃ bhante saṅghassa kaṭhinaṃ, dhammiko kaṭhinatthāro, anumodatha.' (×3)

'Ven. sirs, the spreading of the Kathina is in accordance with the Dhamma. Please approve of it.'

If the recipient is senior to all the other bhikkhus:

'bhante' → 'āvuso'

The rest of the Sangha, chanting together:

'Atthataṃ bhante saṅghassa kaṭhinaṃ, dhammiko kaṭhinatthāro, anumodāma.' (×3)

'Ven. sirs, the spreading of the Kaṭhina is in accordance with the Dhamma. We approve of it.'

Sp.V.1109; Pv.XIV.4

Bhikkhus senior to the recipient omit 'bhante'.

If approving one by one:

'anumodāma' → 'anumodāmi'

For bhikkhus senior to the recipient:

'bhante' → 'āvuso'.

For a bhikkhu who completes the *Kaṭhina* ceremony, the Rains privileges (p.257) extend for a further four months until the end of the cold season, unless the Sangha unanimously decides to revoke them. The Rains privileges also lapse automatically with the ending of the two constraints: with regard to the residence and with regard to making a robe.

Vin.III.261

## 15.

## OTHER PROCEDURES

## 15.1 Nissaya (Dependence)

Taking dependence happens either individually or with the whole community before the Rains Retreat and Winter Retreat. It is frequently preceded by *Asking for Forgiveness*, see p.254 for preparation.

#### The bhikkhu:

'Ācariyo me bhante hohi, āyasmato nissāya vacchāmi.' (×3)

(Ven. sir, may you be my teacher. I shall stay dependent on the ven. one.)
The Ācariya:

'Sādhu, lahu, opāyikam, paṭirūpam, pāsādikena sampādehi.'

(It is good; ...convenient; ...suitable; ...proper; ... you should endeavour to conduct yourself in a good manner.)

Vin.I.60-61

## The bhikkhu:

'Sādhu bhante. Ajja-t-agge-dāni thero mayhaṃ bhāro, aham-pi therassa bhāro.' (×3)

(It is good, ven. sir. From this day onwards the Elder will be my burden and I shall be the burden of the Elder.)

Sp.V.977

At the end, bow three times and sit with feet folded on one side. The senior monk may offer advice and encouragement in the practice.

## 15.2 Kappiya-karana (Making Fruit Allowable)

For fruit with seeds or vegetables that can grow again, the bhikkhu says:

'Kappiyam karohi' 'Make it allowable.'

The lay person, while 'marking' (cutting, tearing or burning) the fruit, etc., responds:

'Kappiyam bhante.' 'It is allowable, ven. sir.'

Sp.IV.767-768

## 15.3 Entering Town after Midday

Leave can be taken in one's own language, or in Pali:

'Vikāle gāmappavesanam āpucchāmi.' (I take leave to go to the town at the 'wrong time'.)

Kv.140

## 15.4 Sanghadāna-apalokana (Sharing Sanghadāna)

After saṅghadāna is offered, a bhikkhu, other than the senior *Thera*, recites:

'Yagghe bhante saṅgho jānātu.

Ayam pathama-bhāgo therassa pāpuņāti.

Avasesā bhāgā amhākañc'eva pāpuṇanti.

Bhikkhūnañca sīladharānaṃ sāmaṇerānaṃ gahaṭṭhānaṃ

Te yathāsukham paribhuñjantu.' (×3)

'therassa' → 'mahātherassa'

'May the Saṅgha hear me. The first portion (of this offering) goes to the Elder. The remainder is for the rest of us here: for the bhikkhus, sīladharās, sāmaṇeras and lay people. May they partake of it as they please.'

The Sangha responds: 'Sādhu.'

Sp.VII.1405-1409

## 15.5 Paṃsukūla-cīvara (Taking Rag-cloth)

'Imaṃ paṃsukūla-cīvaraṃ assāmikaṃ mayhaṃ pāpuṇāti.' 'This rag-cloth, which is ownerless, has reached me.'

#### 15.6 Desanā

## 15.6.1 Requesting permission to speak on Vinaya

After bowing three times, with hands joined in añjali, addressing the senior elder:

'Okāsam me bhante thero detu vinaya-katham kathetum.'

'Namo... (×3); Buddham Dhammam Sangham namassāmi.'

'Vinayo sāsanassa āyū'ti. Karotu me āyasmā okāsaṃ ahan-taṃ vattukāmo.'

'Ven. sir, please give permission to speak on Vinaya... Vinaya is the life of the religion. I ask for permission from the ven. one: I wish to speak about the Vinaya.'

Reply: 'Karomi āyasmato okāsam.'

'I give you the opportunity, venerable.'

Vin.I.113

## 15.6.2 Requesting permission to speak on Dhamma

After bowing three times, with hands joined in añjali, addressing the senior bhikkhu:

'Okāsam me bhante thero detu dhamma-katham kathetum.'

'Ven. sir, please give permission to speak on Dhamma.'

'Namo... (×3); Buddham Dhammam Sangham namassāmi.'

One may recite a sutta quote before beginning the talk, such as:

'Apārutā tesam amatassa dvārā ye sotavantā pamuñcantu saddham.'

'Open are the doors to the Deathless. May all those who have ears release their faith.'

'Ito paraṃ sakkaccaṃ dhammo sotabbo'ti.'

'After this you should attentively listen to the Dhamma.'

## 15.7 Añjali

Chanting and making formal requests is done with the hands in añjali. This is a gesture of respect, made by placing the palms together directly in front of the chest, with the fingers aligned and pointing upwards.

## 15.8 Requesting a Dhamma Talk

After bowing three times, with hands joined in añjali, recite the following:

Brahmā ca lokādhipatī sahampati Katañjalī anadhivaraṃ ayācatha Santīdha sattāpparajakkha-jātikā Desetu dhammam anukampimam pajam

(Bow three times again)

The Brahmā god Sahampati, Lord of the world, With palms joined in reverence, requested a favour: 'Beings are here with but little dust in their eyes, Pray, teach the Dhamma out of compassion for them.'

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## 15.9 Acknowledging the Teaching

After the talk, the person next in seniority after the speaker, chants:

'Handa mayam dhamma-kathāya / ovāda-kathāya sādhukāram dadāmase.'

Now let us express our approval of this Dhamma teaching / exhortation.

If an exhortation, use ovāda-kathāya instead of dhamma-kathāya.

The listeners, together:

'Sādhu, sādhu, sādhu. Anumodāmi.' It is well, I appreciate it.

## 15.9.1 After the talk on Vinaya or Dhamma

When the talk is concluded, the speaker chants:

'Ayam dhamma- / vinaya- / dhammavinaya-kathā sādh'āyasmantehi samrakkhetabbā'ti.'

'This talk on Dhamma / Vinaya / Dhammavinaya should be well-preserved by you, ven. sirs.'

The person next in seniority after the speaker:

'Handa mayam dhamma- / vinaya- / dhammavinaya-kathāya sādhukāram dadāmase.'

'Now let us make the act of acknowledging this Dhamma / Vinaya / Dhammavinaya talk.'

The listeners, together:

'Sādhu, sādhu, sādhu. Anumodāmi.'

# 15.10 Requesting the Three Refuges & the Five Precepts (Thai Tradition)

After bowing three times, with hands joined in anjali, recite the appropriate request.

## For a group from a monk

Mayam bhante tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

Dutiyampi mayam bhante tisaramena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

Tatiyampi mayam bhante tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

## For oneself from a monk

Ahaṃ bhante tisaraṇena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi Dutiyampi ahaṃ bhante tisaraṇena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi Tatiyampi ahaṃ bhante tisaraṇena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi

## For a group from a nun

Mayam ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

Dutiyampi mayam ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

Tatiyampi mayam ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāma

## For oneself from a nun

Aham ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi

Dutiyampi aham ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi

Tatiyampi aham ayye tisaranena saha pañca sīlāni yācāmi

We/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Five Precepts.
For the second time,
we/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Five Precepts.
For the third time,
we/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Five Precepts.

Repeat, after the leader has chanted 'Namo tassa' three times.

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa (×3)

Homage to the Blessed, Noble, and Perfectly Enlightened One.

Buddhaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi Dhammaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi Saṅghaṃ saraṇaṃ gacchāmi

> To the Buddha I go for refuge. To the Dhamma I go for refuge. To the Saṅgha I go for refuge.

Dutiyampi buddham saranam gacchāmi Dutiyampi dhammam saranam gacchāmi Dutiyampi sangham saranam gacchāmi

For the second time...

Tatiyampi buddham saraṇam gacchāmi Tatiyampi dhammam saraṇam gacchāmi Tatiyampi saṅgham saraṇam gacchāmi

For the third time...

Leader:

[Tisaraṇa-gamanaṃ niṭṭhitaṃ] This completes the going to the Three Refuges.

Response:

Āma bhante / Āma ayye Yes, Venerable Sir / Sister. Repeat each precept after the leader.

- Pāṇātipātā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi
   I undertake the precept to refrain from taking the life of any
   living creature.
- 2. Adinnādānā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from taking that which is not given.
- 3. Kāmesu micchācārā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from sexual misconduct.
- 4. Musāvādā veramaņī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from lying.
- 5. Surāmeraya-majja-pamādaṭṭhānā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from consuming intoxicating drink and drugs which lead to carelessness.

Leader.

[Imāni pañca sikkhāpadāni Sīlena sugatiṃ yanti Sīlena bhogasampadā Sīlena nibbutiṃ yanti Tasmā sīlaṃ visodhaye]

These are the Five Precepts; virtue is the source of happiness, virtue is the source of true wealth, virtue is the source of peacefulness — Therefore let virtue be purified.

Response:

## Sādhu, sādhu, sādhu.

(Bow three times)

# 15.11 Requesting the Three Refuges & the Eight Precepts (Thai Tradition)

After bowing three times, with hands joined in añjali, recite the appropriate request.

## For a group from a monk

Mayam bhante tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāma

Dutiyampi mayam bhante tisaranena saha attha sīlāni yācāma

Tatiyampi mayam bhante tisaranena saha attha sīlāni yācāma

## For oneself from a monk

Ahaṃ bhante tisaraṇena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāmi

Dutiyampi aham bhante tisaranena saha attha sīlāni yācāmi

Tatiyampi aham bhante tisaranena saha attha sīlāni yācāmi

## For a group from a nun

Mayam ayye tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāma

Dutiyampi mayam ayye tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāma
Tatiyampi mayam ayye tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāma

## For oneself from a nun

Aham ayye tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāmi Dutiyampi aham ayye tisaranena saha aṭṭha sīlāni yācāmi Tatiyampi aham ayye tisaranena saha attha sīlāni yācāmi

We/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Eight Precepts.
For the second time,
We/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Eight Precepts.
For the third time,
We/I, Venerable Sir/Sister,
request the Three Refuges and the Eight Precepts.

Repeat, after the leader has chanted 'Namo tassa' three times.

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhassa (×3)

Homage to the Blessed, Noble, and Perfectly Enlightened One.

Buddham saraṇam gacchāmi Dhammam saraṇam gacchāmi Saṅgham saraṇam gacchāmi To the Buddha I go for refuge. To the Dhamma I go for refuge. To the Saṅgha I go for refuge.

Dutiyampi buddham saranam gacchāmi Dutiyampi dhammam saranam gacchāmi Dutiyampi sangham saranam gacchāmi

For the second time...

Tatiyampi buddham saranam gacchāmi Tatiyampi dhammam saranam gacchāmi Tatiyampi sangham saranam gacchāmi

For the third time...

Leader:

[Tisaraṇa-gamanaṃ niṭṭhitaṃ] This completes the going to the Three Refuges.

Response:

Āma bhante / Āma ayye Yes, Venerable Sir / Sister.

Repeat each precept after the leader.

- 1. Pāṇātipātā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from taking the life of any living creature.
- 2. Adinnādānā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from taking that which is not given.

- 3. Abrahmacariyā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from any intentional sexual activity.
- 4. Musāvādā veramaņī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from lying.
- 5. Surāmeraya-majja-pamādaṭṭhānā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi I undertake the precept to refrain from consuming intoxicating drink and drugs which lead to carelessness.
- 6. Vikālabhojanā veramaņī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi. I undertake the precept to refrain from eating at inappropriate times.
- 7. Nacca-gīta-vādita-visūkadassanā mālā-gandha-vilepana-dhāraṇa-maṇḍana-vibhūsanaṭṭhānā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi. I undertake the precept to refrain from entertainment, beautification, and adornment.
- 8. Uccāsayana-mahāsayanā veramaṇī sikkhāpadaṃ samādiyāmi. I undertake the precept to refrain from lying on a high or luxurious sleeping place.

A.IV.248-250

Leader:

[Imāni aṭṭha sikkhāpadāni samādiyāmi]

Response:

Imāni aṭṭha sikkhāpadāni samādiyāmi (×3)

I undertake these Eight Precepts.

#### Leader:

[Imāni aṭṭha sikkhāpadāni Sīlena sugatiṃ yanti Sīlena bhogasampadā Sīlena nibbutiṃ yanti Tasmā sīlaṃ visodhaye]

These are the Eight Precepts; virtue is the source of happiness, virtue is the source of true wealth, virtue is the source of peacefulness — Therefore let virtue be purified.

Response:

Sādhu, sādhu, sādhu.

(Bow three times)

## Alternative ending for undertaking Uposatha precepts

The laypeople may chant:

'Imam aṭṭh'aṅga-samannāgataṃ buddhapaññattaṃ uposathaṃ, imañca rattiṃ imañca divasaṃ, samma-deva abhirakkhituṃ samādiyāmi.'

#### Leader:

'Imāni aṭṭha sikkhāpadāni, ajj'ekaṃ rattin-divaṃ, uposatha (sīla) vasena sādhukaṃ (katvā appamādena) rakkhitabbāni.' Response:

## 'Āma bhante.'

Leader:

'Sīlena sugatim yanti, Sīlena bhoga-sampadā, Sīlena nibbutim yanti, Tasmā sīlam visodhaye.'

## 15.11.1 Asking Forgiveness of The Triple Gem

(Men Chant)

Ahaṃ buddhañ ca dhammañ ca saṅghañ ca saraṇaṃ gato upāsakattaṃ desesiṃ bhikkhu-saṅghassa sammukhā.

(Women Chant)

Ahaṃ buddhañ ca dhammañ ca saṅghañ ca saraṇaṃ gatā upāsikattaṃ desesiṃ bhikkhu-saṅghassa sammukhā.

Etaṃ me saraṇaṃ khemaṃ, etaṃ saraṇam uttamaṃ etaṃ saraṇam āgamma sabba-dukkhā pamuccaye. Yathā-balaṃ careyyāhaṃ sammā-sambuddha-sāsanaṃ

- m. dukkha-nissaraṇass' eva bhāgī assaṃ anāgate.
- w. dukkha-nissaraṇass' eva bhāginissaṃ anāgate.

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā buddhe kukammam pakatam mayā yam buddho paṭigghaṅhātu accayantam kālantare saṃvaritum va buddhe Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā dhamme kukammam pakatam mayā yam dhammo paṭigghaṅhātu accayantam kālantare saṃvaritum va dhamme

Kāyena vācāya va cetasā vā saṅghe kukammaṃ pakataṃ mayā yaṃ saṅgho paṭigghaṅhātu accayantaṃ kālantare saṃvarituṃ va sanghe

## 15.11.2 Taking Leave after Uposatha

Having undertaken the Eight Precepts, lay followers may stay overnight at the monastery. The next morning they will take their leave from the senior monk:

Laypeople:

Handa dāni mayam bhante āpucchāma bahukiccā mayam bahukaranīyā

Senior monk:

'Yassa dāni tumhe kālaṃ maññatha.'

'Please do what is appropriate at this time.'

## 15.12 Disrobing

After the bhikkhus who are to witness the disrobing have assembled, the bhikkhu who will disrobe should first confess his offences and ask for forgiveness. Wearing all his three robes, with his *saṅghāti* on his left shoulder:

Bow three times.

'Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammā-sambuddhassa' (×3)

Optionally, one may chant Recollection After Using the Requisites (p.34).

Bow three times.

Recite in Pali and in his own language:

'Sikkhaṃ paccakkhāmi. Gihī'ti maṃ dhāretha.' I give up the training. May you regard me as a layman.

He may state this once, three times, or as many times as he needs to assure himself that he is now a layman and no longer a bhikkhu. If two or more are disrobing, they should state this passage separately.

The former bhikkhu then withdraws to change into lay clothes. When he returns, he may request the *Three Refuges and Five Precepts*.

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#### Invitation to Request

An invitation to request (pavāraṇā), unless otherwise specified, lasts at most four months. One may make requests of blood-relatives (but not in-laws) without receiving an invitation. One may give special help to one's parents as well as to one's steward and to anyone preparing to become a bhikkhu.

Vin.IV.101-104

## Hatthapāsa Distance

The hatthapāsa generally means a distance within arm's reach, or forearm's length. There are variations in the specific way of measuring it.

It may be measured from the trunk of the body, until the tip of the fingers of one's extended hands, about 1.25 metres. That is, one bhikkhu should be able to reach the other.

Other interpretations consider that the distance between the bodies of two bhikkhus should not be greater than the length from the elbow to the tip of the fingers. For example, a forearm's distance between the knees of two seated bhikkhus.

The distance is measured horizontally, the vertical elevation is not taken into account.

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## **Days and Dawns**

The Vinaya definition for *one day* is the period of time between two dawnrises.

If one extends a hand and is able to see the lines in the palm (assuming the sky is clear), the dawnrise has already passed.

One may also use a clock and the time of *nautical twilight*. While the Sun is between 12 and 6 degrees below the horizon, dawnrise *has not yet passed*. Once the Sun is less than 6 degrees below the horizon, dawnrise *has passed*.

## Seven-day Allowable Period

The *seven-day tonics* are permitted to be kept until the seventh *dawnrise*, not for a seven-day period, which is already past the seventh dawnrise.

The factor of *effort* here is keeping the tonic past the seventh dawnrise after receiving it.

*Perception* is not a factor, if one thinks the seventh dawnrise hasn't passed, but it has, it is nonetheless a *nissaggiya pācittiya* offence.

The offence is to be confessed by the bhikkhu who received the items. If he has travelled away since, and the items are no longer with him to be forfeited, he may confess the offence, and the other bhikkhus may forfeit the items.

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#### Mixing Allowables

The day on which food, one-day, seven-day and lifetime allowables are received should be kept in mind when mixing them, or consuming a mixture. Such a mistake can be made for example when receiving biscuits at the meal time, and mixing it with tea or coffee made with allowables offered on a previous day.

The mixture takes on the shortest lifetime of the ingredients. The combinations are described in the *Mahāvagga*:

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a.	1d juice, received that morning + food, received that morning			
	ightarrow is allowable that morning			
b.	7d tonic, received that morning			
	+ food, received that morning			
	ightarrow is allowable that morning			
с.	lifetime medicine, received that morning			
	+ food, received that morning			
	ightarrow is allowable that morning			
d.	7d tonic, received sometime			
	+ juice, received that day			
	ightarrow is allowable until dawn			
e.	lifetime medicine, received sometime			
	+ juice, received that day			
	→ is allowable until dawn			

- f. lifetime medicine, received sometime
  - + 7d tonic, received sometime
  - $\rightarrow$  is allowable for 7 days

Consuming the mixture outside its allowable period is a  $p\bar{a}cittiya$  offence under Pc 38 (Stored food), even through lack of mindfulness. Perception is not a factor.

Mv. VI.40.3.

## The Eight Utensils (aţţha-parikkhārā)

The three robes, the bowl, a razor/sharp knife, needle, belt, water-filter.

Ja.I.65

#### **Unallowable Meats**

The flesh of humans (this is a base for *thullaccaya*), elephants, horses, dogs, snakes, lions, tigers, leopards, bears, and panthers.

Vin.I.218-219

Also unallowable is flesh incompletely cooked, and meat from an animal seen, heard or suspected to have been killed in order that its meat be offered to bhikkhus.

Vin.I.218-219

## **Abusive Speech**

The bases of abuse are rank of birth, personal name, clan name, work, art, disease, physical appearance, mental stains, faults, and other bases. There are both direct abuse and sarcasm and ridicule. Abusive speech may be a base for either expiation (or wrong-doing) or, when only teasing, for *dubbhāsita*.

Vin.IV.4-11

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## Lighting a Fire

Suitable reasons for lighting a fire, or having one lit (Pc. 56) include the health benefit of warmth, or needing the fire for a task, such as boiling water or burning garden waste.

For the health benefit, one is considered *ill* (*gilāno*) when one can not get by comfortably without warming oneself.

For a task, lighting a fire may damage plants (Pc. 11) and living creatures (Pc. 61), either on the ground or in the fire wood. Damage to plants or living creatures on the ground may be avoided by lighting the fire on stones, sand, in a tin box, or using portable gas stoves.

One may also indicate the task (*kappiya-vohāra*) for lay friends without an explicit instruction, who may light the fire.

PART III

**APPENDIX** 

#### APPENDIX A.

## PĀLI PHONETICS AND PRONUNCIATION

Pāli is the original scriptural language of Theravāda Buddhism. It was a spoken language, closely related to Sanskrit, with no written script of its own. As written forms have emerged, they have been in the letterings of other languages (e.g. Devanagari, Sinhalese, Burmese, Khmer, Thai, Roman). The Roman lettering used here is pronounced as in English, with the following clarifications:

#### Vowels

Short Long

 $\mathbf{a}$  as in about  $\mathbf{\bar{a}}$  as in father

i as in hit i as in machine

 $\mathbf{u}$  as in put  $\mathbf{\bar{u}}$  as in rule

 ${f e}$  as in  ${f gr}{f e}{f y}$ 

o as in more

Exceptions: **e** and **o** change to short sounds in syllables ending in consonants. They are then pronounced as in 'get' and 'ox', respectively.

#### Consonants

**c** as in ancient (like <u>ch</u> but unaspirated)

m, n as ng in sang

## $\tilde{\mathbf{n}}$ as $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{y}}$ in ca $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{y}}$ on

**v** rather softer than the English  $\underline{\mathbf{v}}$ ; near  $\underline{\mathbf{w}}$ 

## A.0.1 Aspirated consonants

## bh ch dh dh gh jh kh ph th th

These two-lettered notations with  $\underline{h}$  denote an aspirated, airy sound, distinct from the hard, crisp sound of the single consonant. They should be considered as one unit.

However, the other combinations with **h**, i.e., **lh**, **mh**, **ñh**, and **vh**, do count as two consonants (for example in the Pāli words 'ji**vh**ā' or 'mu**lh**o').

## A.0.2 Examples

**th** as <u>t</u> in <u>t</u>ongue. (Never pronounced as in '<u>th</u>e'.)

**ph** as <u>p</u> in <u>p</u>alate. (Never pronounced as in '<u>ph</u>oto'.)

These are distinct from the hard, crisp sound of the single consonant, e.g. **th** as in '<u>Th</u>omas' (not as in '<u>th</u>in') or **ph** as in '<u>puff</u>' (not as in '<u>ph</u>one').

## A.0.3 Retroflex consonants

## d dh l n t th

These retroflex consonants have no English equivalents. They are sounded by curling the tip of the tongue back against the palate.

## Chanting technique

Once you have grasped the system of Pāli pronunciation and the following chanting technique, it allows you to chant a text in Pāli from sight with the correct rhythm.

**Unstressed syllables** end in a short **a, i** or **u**. All other syllables are stressed. Stressed syllables take twice the time of unstressed syllables — rather like two beats in a bar of music compared to one. This is what gives the chanting its particular rhythm.

Two details that are important when separating the syllables:

**1.** Syllables with double letters get divided in this way:

They are always enunciated separately, e.g. **dd** in 'uddeso' as in 'mad dog', or **gg** in 'maggo' as in 'big gun'.

2. Aspirated consonants like **bh**, **dh** etc. count as single consonant and don't get divided (Therefore **am·hā·kaṃ**, but **sa·dham·maṃ**, not **sad·ham·maṃ** or, another example: **Bud·dho** and not **Bu·ddho**).

Precise pronunciation and correct separation of the syllables is especially important when someone is interested in learning Pāli and to understand and memorize the meaning of Suttas and other chants, otherwise the meaning of it will get distorted.

## An example to illustrate this:

The Pāli word 'sukka' means 'bright'; 'sukkha' means 'dry'; 'sukha' — 'happiness'; 'suka' — 'parrot' and 'sūka' — 'bristles on an ear of barley'.

So if you chant '**sukha**' with a '**k**' instead of a '**kh**', you would chant 'parrot' instead of 'happiness'.

A general rule of thumb for understanding the practice of chanting is to listen carefully to what the leader and the group are chanting and to follow, keeping the same pitch, tempo and speed. All voices should blend together as one.

#### APPENDIX B.

## QUOTATIONS

## Admonishing Another Bhikkhu

Before admonishing another bhikkhu, a bhikkhu should investigate five conditions in himself and establish five other conditions in himself.

He should investigate thus: 'Am I one who practises purity in bodily action?;... purity in speech?; is the heart of good-will established in me towards my fellows?; am I one who has heard the Teachings, practised them, and penetrated them with insight?; is the Discipline known and thoroughly understood by me?'

And he should establish these five conditions in himself: he should speak at the right time, speak of facts, and speak gently, and he should speak only profitable words, and with a kindly heart.

A.V.78

## Wrong Livelihood for a Layperson

Trade in weapons, in human beings, in animal flesh, in liquor, in poison.

A.III.207

## Dealing with Doubtful Matters (Kālāma-sutta)

Be not led by report, by tradition, by hearsay, by the authority of texts, by mere logic, by inference, by considering appearances, by its agreement with an established theory, by seeming possibilities, by the idea 'This is our teacher'.

A.I.189

## The Gradual Teaching

Talk on: generosity and giving; morality; the ease and happiness of heavenly realms; the disadvantages of sensual pleasures; the benefits of renouncing sensual pleasures.

D.I.148

## The Three Cravings and the Four Attachments

Craving for sensuality, craving for becoming, craving for non-becoming.

Attachment to sensuality, to views, to conduct and custom, and attachment to the idea of self.

D.III.230; M.I.66

### The Three Universal Characteristics of Existence

All conditioned phenomena are subject to change. All conditioned phenomena are unsatisfactory. All things are not-self.

S.IV.1; Dhp.277-9

## The Three Kinds of Suffering

The suffering of pain (dukkha-dukkhatā). The suffering of conditioned phenomena (saṅkhāra-dukkhatā). The suffering of change (vipariṇāma-dukkhatā).

D.III.216; S.IV.259

#### The Three Characteristics of Conditioned Experience

Its arising is apparent. Its passing away is apparent. While it persists, alteration is apparent.

A.I.152

#### The Four Nutriments

'All beings are maintained by nutriment.' The Four Nutriments are coarse, material food; sense-contact food; mental-intention food; and consciousness food.

D.III.228; M.I.48; S.II.101

## The Four Bases of Judgement

Judging and basing faith on form and outward appearance, on reputation and beauty of speech, on ascetic and self-denying practices, on teaching and righteous behaviour.

A.II.71

## The Five Facts to be Frequently Contemplated

I am subject to decay and I cannot escape it. I am subject to disease and I cannot escape it. I am subject to death and I cannot escape it. There will be division and separation from all that I love and hold dear. I am the owner of my actions – whatever I do, whether good or bad, I must be heir to it.

A.III.71

## The Five Qualities for a New Bhikkhu to Establish

Restraint in accordance with the Pāṭimokkha; restraint of the senses; restraint as regards talking; love of solitude; cultivation of right views.

A.III.138

## The Five Ways of Restraint (Samvara)

Restraint by the Monastic Code of Discipline, by mindfulness, by knowledge, by patience, by energy and effort.

Vism. 7

## The Six Attributes of Dhamma

The Dhamma is well expounded by the Blessed One, apparent here and now, timeless, encouraging investigation, leading inwards, to be experienced individually by the wise.

M.I.37; A.III.285

### The Seven Qualities of a Wholesome Friend

That individual is endearing; worthy of respect; cultured and worthy of emulation; a good counsellor; a patient listener; capable of discussing profound subjects; and is one who never exhorts groundlessly, not leading or spurring one on to a useless end.

A.IV.31

## The Seven Things Favourable to Mental Development (Sappāya)

Suitable abode, location, speech, companion, food, climate, and posture.

Vism. 127

## The Seven Conditions Leading to the Welfare of the Sangha

(The Mahā Parinibbāna Sutta introduces five sets of seven conditions on this topic. The first two are listed below.)

- (1) To hold regular and frequent meetings.
- (2) To meet in harmony, to do the duties of the Sangha in harmony, and to disperse in harmony.
- (3) To introduce no revolutionary rules, break up no established rules, but to train oneself in accordance with the prescribed training rules.
- (4) To honour and respect those elders of long experience, the fathers and leaders of the Sangha, and to deem them worthy of listening to.

- (5) Not to fall under the influence of craving.
- (6) To delight in forest dwelling.
- (7) To establish oneself in mindfulness, with this thought: 'May disciplined monks who have not yet come, come here; and may those who have already come live in comfort'.

Seven further conditions that lead to no decline:

- (1) Not to be fond of activities;
- (2) not to be fond of gossip;
- (3) not to be fond of sleeping;
- (4) not to be fond of socializing;
- (5) not to have evil desires;
- (6) not to have evil friends;
- (7) not to be prematurely satisfied and rest content with early success.

D.II.77-78

## The Eight Worldly Conditions (Loka-dhammā)

Gain and loss, fame and obscurity, praise and blame, happiness and suffering.

A.IV.157

## The Eight Gifts of a Good Person (Sappurisa-dāna)

To give clean things; to give well-chosen things; to give at the appropriate time; to give proper things; to give with discretion; to

give regularly; to calm one's mind on giving; to be joyful after giving.

A.IV.243

## The Ten Perfections (Pāramī)

- (1) Dāna: generosity;
- (2) Sīla: morality;
- (3) Nekkhamma: renunciation;
- (4) Paññā: wisdom;
- (5) Viriya: energy;
- (6) Khanti: patience;
- (7) Sacca: truthfulness;
- (8) Adhiṭṭhāna: determination;
- (9) Mettā: loving-kindness;
- (10) Upekkhā: equanimity.

Buddhavamsa v.6

#### The Ten Wholesome Courses of Action

- (1) To avoid the destruction of life and aim for the welfare of all lives.
- (2) To avoid taking what belongs to others.
- (3) To avoid sexual misconduct.
- (4) To avoid lying, not knowingly speaking a lie for the sake of any advantage.
- (5) To avoid malicious speech, to unite the discordant, to encourage the united, and to utter speech that makes for harmony.

(6) To avoid harsh language and speak gentle, courteous and agreeable words.

- (7) To avoid frivolous talk; to speak at the right time, in accordance with facts, what is useful, moderate and full of sense.
- (8) To be without covetousness.
- (9) To be free from ill-will, thinking, 'Oh, that these beings were free from hatred and ill-will, and would lead a happy life free from trouble'.
- (10) To possess right view, such as that gifts and offerings are not fruitless and that there are results of wholesome and unwholesome actions.

M.I.287; A.V.266; 275-278

## The Ten Topics for Talk among Bhikkhus

(1) Talk favourable to wanting little; (2) to contentment; (3) to seclusion; (4) to not mingling together; (5) to strenuousness; (6) to good conduct; (7) to concentration; (8) to understanding and insight; (9) to deliverance; (10) and talk favourable to the knowledge and vision of deliverance.

M.I.145; M.III.113; A.V.129

## The Thirteen Austerities (Dhutangā)

(1) Wearing rag-robes; (2) possessing only 3 robes; (3) eating only alms-food; (4) collecting alms-food house-to-house; (5) eating only at one sitting; (6) eating only from the bowl; (7) not accepting

late-come food; (8) living in the forest; (9) living at the foot of a tree; (10) living in the open; (11) living in a cemetery; (12) being satisfied with whatever dwelling is offered; (13) abstaining from lying down to sleep.

Vism. 59-83

#### The Ten Bases of Merit

(Puññakiriyā-vatthu)

- (1) *Dāna:* meritorious action based in generosity, merit acquired by giving;
- (2) Sīla: by observing the precepts or moral behaviour;
- (3) Bhāvanā: by mental development or meditation;
- (4) Apacāyana: by humility or reverence;
- (5) Veyyāvacca: by rendering services;
- (6) Pattidāna: by sharing or giving out merit;
- (7) Pattānumodanā: by rejoicing in others' merit;
- (8) *Dhammassavana*: by listening to the Doctrine or right teaching;
- (9) Dhammadesanā: by teaching the Doctrine or showing truth;
- (10) *Diṭṭhujukamma:* by straightening one's views or forming correct views.

DhsA.157

## The Root of All Things

Chandamūlakā: Rooted in desire are all things.

Manasikārasambhavā: Born of attention are all things.

Phassasamudayā: Arising from contact are all things.

*Vedanāsamosaraṇā:* Converging on feeling are all things.

Samādhippamukhā: Headed by concentration are all things.

Satādhipateyyā: Dominated by mindfulness are all things.

Paññuttarā: Surmountable by wisdom are all things.

*Vimuttisārā:* Yielding deliverance as essence are all things.

Amatogadhā: Merging in the Deathless are all things.

Nibbānapariyosānā: Terminating in Nibbāna are all things.

A.V.106



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