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Conventions in the Critical Apparatus

Sigla in the Critical Apparatus

- E: Printed Edition
- P: Pune BORI 664
- L: Lalchand Research Library LRL5876
- B: Bodleian Oxford D 4587
- N_I: NGMPP B 38-31
- N₂: NGMPP B 38-35 / A 1327-14
- D₁: IGNCA 30019
- U1: SORI 1574
- U2: SORI 6082

Critical Edition & Annotated Translation

[XXI. jñānayogasya lakṣaṇam]

इदानीं ज्ञानयोगस्य लक्षणं कथ्यते।

एकमेव जगत्पश्येद्विश्वात्मासुविभास्वरम्।
अविकल्पतया युक्त्या ज्ञानयोगं समाचरेत्।। XXI.1।।

यत्र तत्र स्थितो वापि सर्वज्ञानमयं जगत्।
य एवं वेत्ति बोधेन सोऽपि ज्ञानाधिकारवान्।। XXI.2।।

प्राप्नोति शांभवीसत्तां सदाद्वैतपरायणः।
यथा न्यग्रोधवीजं हि क्षितावुप्तं द्रुमायते।। XXI.3।।

एकान्तं नैकधा स्वेन दृश्यते दृशधा कृता।
मूलाङ्करस्य चोद्दण्डाः शाखाकुसुमपल्लवाः।। XXI.4।।

स्नेहपुष्पफलं बीजे विस्तारोऽयं स्वभावतः।
तथासौ निर्मलो नित्यो निर्विकारो निरञ्जनः॥ XXI.5।।

Sources: 2 cf. YSv (PT p. 835): idānīm jñānayogasya lakṣaṇam kathyate śive | yaj jñātvā jñānasam-pūrṇaḥ śivaḥ syān na punarbhavaḥ | 3–4 \approx YSv (PT p. 835): ekam eva jagat paśyed viśvātmā viśvabhāvanaḥ | iti kṛtvā tu vai yukto jñānayogam samācaret | 5–6 \approx YSv (PT p. 835): yatra tatra sthito vāpi sarvajñānamayam jagat | ya evam asti bodhena soʻpi jñānādhikāravān | 7–8 \approx YSv (PT p. 835): prāpnoti śāmbhavīmantrān sadā nityaparāyaṇaḥ | yathā nyagrodhavījaṃ hi kṣitau vaptur drumāyate | 9–10 \approx YSv (PT p. 835): ādāv ekas tato 'nekaḥ svabhāvāc chādanādibhiḥ | varddhate 'harniśaṃ vṛkṣaḥ patrapallavavistṛtaḥ | II–I2 \approx YSv (PT p. 836): snehapuṣpaphalair vījair vistāro 'yaṃ svabhāvataḥ | tathāsau nirmalo nityo nirvikāro nirañjanaḥ |

2 idānīm cett.] idānī U₁ kathyate EPN₂U₁U₂] om. BDLN₁ 3 eva cett.] evā BL jagat cett.] cayat P paśyed cett.] paśyad B viśvātmā° cett.] viśvāva° E 4 avikalpatayā cett.] āvikalpatayā U₁U₂ yuktyā cett.] yuktā BL 5 vāpi cett.] himsa° U₂ 6 ya evam cett.] evam U₁U₂ vetti cett.] vette na U1 ve B jñānādhikāravān cett.] jñānādhikāraņāt E 7 prāpnoti cett.] om. E śāṃbhavīsattām em.] sāmbhavīsattām DU_IU₂ śāmbhavīm sattām BP śāmbhavīm sattān L sāmbhavīm satta N₁ sāṃbhavīsattā N₂ om. E sadādvaita° cett.] sadāṃdvaita° U₁ om. E 8 yathā cett.] om. E **nyagrodhabījam** cett.] nyagrodhavījam DN_1N_2 nyagrodhavīja Lom. E **hi** cett.] om. E kṣitāv cett.] kṣitī B kṣitāptā U₁ om. E uptam drumāyate cett.] uptam drumāyate likām pa. vāḥ P utpadyate yathā L utpadyate B ukta drumāyate U₁ om. E 9 ekāntaṃ cett.] ekānte BL yekāmtam U_I om. P naikadhā cett.] naikadā E nekadhā BL om. P svena cett.] śveta N_I śvetana DN₂ om. P **drśyate** cett.] drśyamte BL drśyet N₂ om. P **daśadhā** EN₁N₂] daśadhāt BL śadhā N_2U_1 om. P krtā α] krtah EL krptā B krtih U_2 om. P 10 mūlānkurasya E] mūlāmkurutva cett. om. P coddandāh EN₁U₂] codarāṭaḥ DN₂ kudamjah B kudamḍa L om. P śākhākusuma**pallavāh** U_2] śākhākundalapallavāh E śākhākilekālapallavā BL śāvārakumbhalapallavah N_1U_1 śākhākumbhalapallavā N_2 śālavākumapadṛtravā Dom. P II snehapuşpaphalam $DN_IN_2PU_2$ snehe puşpaphala BL snehapuşpam phala U_I srehapunyaphalam E **bīje** cett.] bīja BL **vistāro** cett.] vistārā DN_I 'yaṃ EPN_IN₂U₂] ya BL yaḥ U_I yasya D svabhāvataḥ cett.] svabhāvatāḥ BL bhāvataḥ D 12 tathāsau cett.] yathāsau B tathāpasau P nirmalo cett.] nirmalau P

[XXI. The Characteristic of Jñānayoga]

Now, the characteristic of Jñānayoga is explained.

XXI.1 He shall see the world as only one, illumined by the supreme self. By the method of non-dualistic thinking, he shall accomplish $J\tilde{n}\tilde{a}nayoga$.

XXI.2 Alternatively, wherever one dwells, the world is made of all knowledge. He who knows thus by realisation is also qualified for gnosis.

XXI.3 The one who is devoted to non-duality always attains the reality of \hat{S} ambhav I^{I} , just as the seed of the banyan tree scattered onto the ground [always] becomes a tree.

XXI.4 By nature [the reality of Śāṃbhavī] is not only seen as one [but] has been fabricated tenfold. [Just as] the branches, buds and twigs are [held] up by the stem of the roots and shoots. [...]

XXI.5 [...] The sap, flower [and] fruit are in the seed. This is the extent [of it] by nature. And so it is pure, eternal, unchanging, and immaculate.

in Amanaska 2.7-8 (cittaṃ buddhir ahaṅkāra rtvijaḥ somapaṃ manaḥ | indriyāṇi daśa prāṇāñ juhoti jyotimaṇḍale $\parallel 7 \parallel \bar{a}$ mūlād bilaparyantaṃ vibhāti jyotimaṇḍalam | yogibhiḥ satataṃ dhyeyam aṇimādyaṣṭasiddhidam $\parallel 8 \parallel$). These verses precede or introduce śāmbhavī mudrā. Here, thought, intellect and ego
are taught the be the officiants, whereas the mind is the sacrificer who sacrifices the senses and
the ten vital breaths into the orb of light (2.7). The orb of light (jyotimaṇḍala) shines from the root
(possibly the root of the body or spine, but BIRCH, 2013:286 suggests the palate) to the aperture at
the top of the head. Yoga practitioners should constantly meditate on it to achieve siddhis (2.8).

¹Rāmacandra uses the term śāṃbhavīsattā as a designation of the ultimate state to be attained by practising Jñānayoga, which he presents as the realization of absolute unity. In medieval Yogatexts, particular in the Rājayoga genre, the feminin noun śāmbhavī most often appears in the context of a non-physical mudrā, the so-called śāṃbhavī mudrā. For a detailed discussion of śāṃbhavī mudrā, its influence and all references, see BIRCH, 2013:71-79. The usage of the feminin noun śāmbhavī to qualify a state is uncommon. More frequently one finds the masculine adjective śāṃbhava in order to quality an exalted yogic state. See for example Candrāvalokana 2, Haṭhapradīpikā 4.7, Anubhavanivedana 1, Haṭhatattvakaumudī 49.27. The idea has its roots in tantric traditions of Śaivism and refers to an meditative state associated with Śambhu (Śiva) (references?).

एको नैकः स्वयंभूश्च स्वधाम्ना बहुधा स्थितः। पञ्चतत्त्वमनोबुद्धिमायाहंकारविकियः॥ XXI.6॥ एवं दश्चविधं विश्वं लोकालोकसुविस्तरम्। एक एव न चान्योऽस्ति यो जानाति स तत्त्ववित॥ XXI.7॥

5 पृथ्वीवनस्पतिपर्वतादिस्थावररूपः संसारः। मनुष्यहस्तेश्वपक्षीत्यादिको जंगमरूपः संसारः। अथ च यो दृष्टिविषयः स दृश्य उच्यते। यो दृष्ट्या न वीक्ष्यते स अदृष्य इत्युच्यते। एवं संसारस्य स्वात्मनो भेदं दृरीकृत्यं ऐक्येन दृशनं स एव ज्ञानयोगः। तस्य कारणात्कालः शरीरनाशं न करोति।।

Sources: 1–2 ≈YSv (PT p. 836): eko 'nekaḥ khayaṃ bhūyān sādhanād bahudhā sthitaḥ | pañ-catattvamayo buddhimāyāhaṅkāravikriyaḥ | 3–4 ≈YSv (PT p. 836): evaṃ bahuvidhaṃ viśvaṃ lokālokasuvistaram | ekam eva na cānvo 'sti yo jānāti sa tattvavit | 5 cf. YSv (PT p. 832): sthāvarāḥ parvatādyā hi jaṅgamāḥ khecarādayaḥ | jaṅgamasthāvarākāraḥ saṃsāraḥ syāt sa īśvaraḥ | 5–7 cf. YSv (PT p. 836): svabhāvalīlayā bhāti śūnye 'sau śūnyabuddhitaḥ | yad dṛṣṭaṃ viṣayaṃ vastu tad ɗṛṣyam iti kathyate | yo dṛṣṭātītaḥ so 'dṛṣyas tadā dṛṣṭaṃ hi manyate | svatanūbhedam evan tu saṃsāraṃ duḥkhasaṅkulam | yatnād dūraṃ parityajya jñānayogo bhavet sudhīḥ | jñānasaṃyoga ekas tu ekas tu jñānayogavān | ato hi jñānato 'bhinnaṃ jñeyaṃ jñānāt pṛthak pṛthak | dūrikṛtyaiva mā pṛthvī bhedavākyena darśanāt | jñānayogī bhaved yena jñānayogas tu caikakaḥ | evaṃ jñānānmaheśāni kālajit śivatāṃ vrajet |

ı eko cett.] yeko U₁ naikaḥ em.] nekaḥ cett. naika U₁ naiko U₂ neka BN₂ svayaṃbhūś ca cett.] svayambhūtyā U₁ **svadhāmnā** PU₂] dhāmnā ca E dhāmnāya B svadhābhāva L svayāmmnā N₁ svadhā...şa D svadhāmnāva N₂ svabhāvā U₁ sthitaḥ cett.] sthitāḥ DLP **2 °buddhi°** EPL] °buddhir cett. vikriyaḥ em.] vikriyāḥ EPU1 vikriyā BDLN1N2U2 3 daśavidhaṃ viśvaṃ DEPN1U2] daśavidhā viśvam BLN₂ daśavidhaviśvam U₁ lokālokasuvistaram em.] lokālokasavistaram BDELPN₂U₁ lokālokasavistarām N₁ lokāloke savistaram U₂ **4 eka** cett. ekam U₂ **eva** cett. yeva U₁ 5 pṛthvī° cett.] pṛthivī° U₁ °vanaspati° EN₂U₂] vanaspati P vanaspatī° BDLN₁U₁ °parvatādisthāvara° BLPU2] °parvatādisthāra° E °parvato tyādisthāmvara° D °parvvate tyādisthavara° N₁ °parvate 'thyādisthāvara° N₂ °parvate iyādisthāvara° U₁ **rūpah** cett.] rūpā BL rūpa N₂ samsārah cett.] samsāra° EU_I °hasteśvapakṣīty ādiko BL] °hasty aśvapakṣīty ādiko E °hastīasvapakṣīty ādiko DN₁ °hastipakṣīty ādiko N₂ °hastiasvapakṣīty ādiko Ū₁ °hasttyaś ca paksīty ādiko U₂ jamgamarūpah cett.] jamgamah rūpah D°rūpā L jagad° U_I samsārah cett.] saṃsāro U₁ 6 ca cett.] vā D yo cett.] yaḥ U₁ ya DN₁N₂ "dṛṣṭi cett.] °ddṛṣṭi LN₁ °daṣṭi B °dārṣṭi D drśya cett.] drśyad N₁ drṣy° U₁ drṣṭyā cett.] dyā N₂ ity cett.] ty BL śaty N₂ saṃsārasya cett.] saṃsāra° PLU $_2$ svātmano BELP] svātmanaḥ α svātmanoḥ U $_2$ 7 bhedaṃ cett.] bheda B bhedām DN₁ °kṛtyaṃ U₂] °kṛtya cett. °kṛty E aikyena P] aikam eva E aikyona BLP ekyena DN₁ ekena N₂ ekānta U₁ ekye U₂ sa eva E] om. cett. jñānayogah cett.] jñānayoga U₂ tasya cett.] gatasya U_I kāraṇāt cett.] dhyānakaraṇāt U_I kālaḥ cett.] kāla° U_I na cett.] om. N₂U₂

XXI.6 One, not one, self-existing by its own power, abiding in multiplicity, as five [gross] elements $(tattva)^2$ thinking mind (manas), intellect (buddhi), illusion $(m\bar{a}ya)$, individuation $(ahamk\bar{a}ra)$, and modifications $(vikriy\bar{a})$.

XXI.7 Thus, everything is tenfold extending 4 as far as the Lokāloka[-mountain]. There is only one. There is nothing else. One who knows this is a knower of truth.

The circuit of mundane existence has the nature of stationary [existances] such as earth, trees, mountains, etc. The circuit of mundane existence has the nature of the mobile [existances] such as humans, elephants, horses, birds, etc. Now, that which is the object of sight is called the seen. That which is not seen by sight is called the unseen. In this way, the removal of the distinction of the own self from the circuit of mundane existance is to be done by means of observation with identity. Only this is Jñānayoga. From the execution of this, time [as death] does not bring about the destruction of the body.

²The term $pa\bar{n}catattva$ refers to the five gross elements. The concept of five gross elements emerging from a supreme god is found in tantric works, cf. e.g. Śivasvarodaya 6-8 (nirañjano nirākara eko devo maheśvaraḥ | tasmād ākāśam utpannam ākāśād vāyusambhavaḥ | 6 || vayos tejas tataś cāpas tataḥ pṛthvī samudbhavaḥ | etāni pañcatattvāni vistīrṇāni ca pañcadhā || 7 || tebhyo brahmāṇḍam utpannam tair eva parivartate | vilīyate ca tatraiva tatraiva ramate punaḥ || 8 ||) "Faultless and without a body is the one god, the great supreme ruler. From him, the ether element ($\bar{a}k\bar{a}\hat{s}a$) originated, and from the ether element, the air element came into existence (6). From the air element, the fire element and from the fire element, the water element and from the water element, the earth element. These five elements unfold in a fivefold manner (7). From these five elements, the universe has arisen, evolves and dissolves. [Then] right here, right there [it] enjoys again (8)."

³In the tantric traditions of Śaivism tenfold *tattva*-systems existed from an very early age, cf. Goodall and Isaacson, 2016:82-85. Rāmacandra, as can be seen in the sources of the edition for this passage, is faithful to his source text. However, the exact origin of this specific arrangement of *tattvas* remains unknown. Usually *vikriyā* is not a separate *tattva*, but *ahaṃkāravikrīya* ("transformations of *ahaṃkāra"*) refers to lesser *tattvas* like the *jñānendrīyas*, *karmendrīyas* and *tanmātras*. Here, it seems the term *vikriyā* is taken as a *tattva* on its own, functioning as a placeholder for the modifications of *ahamkāra*.

⁴The manuscripts read *savistara*, which is nonsensical in this context. Thus, I emended according to the source text's reading.

⁵Birch suggested to understand *lokāloka* as the mythical mountain that divides the visible world from the regions of darkness. Cf. and see APTE (1980: 933) for further references.

[XXII. svabhāvabhedam]

इदानीं स्वभावभेदं कथ्यते। यथा वटबीजं वटरूपेण परिणमते स तत्दशधा भेदं स्वभावत एव प्रा प्रोति। मूलाङ्करत्वग्दण्डशाखाकलिकापछ्ठवपुष्पफलस्त्रोहा इति भेदो दशधा प्राप्नोति। तथा निर्मलो निर्विकारः निरञ्जन एक एतादृश आत्मस्वभावादेव पृथ्व्यापतेजोवाय्बाकाशमनोबुद्धिमायाविकाररू पाभेदान्त्राप्नोति। ज्ञानयोगप्रभावादेक एव आत्मा इति निश्चयो भवति।

Sources: 2–11.3 cf. YSv (PT p. 836): svabhāvabhedam etat śṛṇu devi prayatnataḥ | yac chrutvā sarvabodhaḥ syāt muktidaḥ siddhivāñchitaḥ | ātmano vā pṛthivyādyāḥ svabhāvaḥ kiñcid ucyate | ātmaiva pṛthivī dhātrī komalā ca kvacid dṛḍhā | kvacin manoharā sā ca vimalā ca malāmalā | durgandhā ca sugandhā ca nirgandhā gandhamohinī | svarṇarūpā dhāturūpā citrā ratnamayī parā | kvacit śvetā kvacid raktā kvacit pītā ca kṛṣṇalā | ūrvarā ūrvarā sā tu viṣāmṛtamayī sadā |

² idānīm cett.] idānī B svabhāva° cett.] svābhāva° BL tasya E °bhedam DN_I] °bheda N_2 °bhedaḥ cett. vaṭa° cett.] vatha° N_2 °bījaṃ $DPN_1N_2U_1$] °bījam E °bīja° U_2 °bījena BLvațarūpeņa cett.] rūpeņa BL pariņamate BLU $_2$] pariņāte P pariņatam α E sa tat U $_1$] sa tu N₂ satr N₁ sat EP śata BL sa DU₂ daśadhā cett.] drśadhā P dasat U₂ bhedaṃ cett.] om. U₂ svabhāvata cett.] svabhāva BL om. U₂ eva cett.] om. U₂ 2-3 prāpnoti cett.] prāpnotī BLU₁ **3 mūlāṅkuratvagdandaśākhākalikāpallavapuspaphalasnehā** E] mūla amkuratvakdamdaśākhākilpikāpallavā puṣpaphalasneha P mūlam aṃkuratvakdaṃdaśākhākilakālapallavā 🏾 vistāroyam svābhāvatah B mūlam amkuratvakdamdaśākhākilāpallavā || vistāroyam svābhāvatah ∥ L mūlām amkuratvakdamdaśākhām kalikāpallavapuşpaphalasneha∥N₁ mūlāmkuratvakdaņdaśākhām kalikāpallavapuṣpaphalasneha| N2 mūlāmkuratvakdandaśākhām kalikāpallavapuṣpaphalasneham D m \bar{u} lām amkuratvakdandaś \bar{a} kh \bar{a} kalik \bar{a} pallavapuspaphalasneha U_1 om. U_2 iti cett.] om. U₂ **bhedo daśadhā** α] daśabhedān BELP om. U₂ **prāpnoti** cett.] prāpnotīti P om. U₂ tathā cett.] yathā EU₂ nirmalo BEL] nirmalaḥ αPU₂ 4 nirañjana E] niraṃjanaḥ eka cett.] ekah N₁N₂U₁ etādrśa E] etādrśah N₁N₂U₁ ātmasvabhāvād cett.] ātmā svabhāvād E 4-5 pṛthvyāpatejovāybākāśamanobuddhimāyāvikārarūpābhedān BLN₁] prthivyapāpatejovāybākāśamanobuddhimāyāvikārarūpābhedān E prthvyetetejovādvyākāśamanobuddhimāyāvikārarūpābhedān P prthvīpate | jīvīkāśamanobuddhir māyāvikārarūpabhedāt DN₂ prthakte jīvāyuvākāśamanobuddhir māyāyāvikārarūpabhedāt U₁ prthyyaptejovāyyākāśa || manobuddhimayāvikārarūpabhedā U₂ **5 jñānayogaprabhāvād** EU₂] jñānayogabhavāt α jñānayogaḥ || prabhāvād° BL jñānayogaḥ prabhāvād P eva cett.] eka BLP yeva U_I

[XXII. Division of the Inherent Being]

Now, the division of the inherent being⁶ is described. Just as the seed of the banyan tree ripens into the shape of the banyan tree, [and] because of its own inherent being develops such a tenfold division - root, shoot, bark, branch, twig, bud, the unfolding flower, flower, fruit and nectar. The division develops [those] ten parts. In the same way, the pure, unchanging, unblemished [one] attains such [a division] precisely because of the inherent being of the self. [Namely], the division: earth, water, fire, wind, space, mind, intellect, illusion, transformations and form.⁷ Because of the power of Jñānayoga, the conviction arises that 'the self is only one'.

⁶The term svabhāvabheda is a popular term in philosophical systems to signify the division or distinction of essential natures. For a Buddhist example, see BALCEROWICZ (2011: 6 ff.). In some Nyāya texts, the term is used to signify different essential properties of the self, cf., i.e. OGAWA (2023: 162). In the Netratantantra, the term bhāvabheda occurs frequently in a similar sense as in this passage of the Yogatattvabindu. For example cf. Netratantra 16.20-21 (bhaviṣyanti mahādevi kaliḥ kaṣṭataro yataḥ | tadarthaṃ paramārtho 'yaṃ mayā te prakaṭīkṛtaḥ | paramārthaḥ paratvena mṛtyujit sarvatomukhaḥ | bhāvabhedena yaṣṭavyo mokṣasiddhim abhīpsatā |).

⁷Rāmacandra's tenfold taxonomy of *tattvas* appears inconsistent. Here, besides the stable list of the five gross elements, *ahaṃkāra* is replaced with *rūpa* and the order of the other elements is changed. None of the tenfold *tattva*-systems known to me equal Rāmacandra's systems exactly. Taxonomies of *tattvas* like **bhagavadgita** 7.4 in which Kṛṣṇa presents a list of eight divisions of *prakṛti* are almost identical (*bhūmir āpo 'nalo vāyuḥ khaṃ mano buddhir eva cha | ahankāra itīyaṃ me bhinnā prakṛitir aṣḥṭadhā ||7.4||). "Earth, water, fire, air, space, mind, intellect, and ego - these are the eight divisions of the original nature." In this list, we find most of the elements of Rāmacandra's list, except terms like <i>māyā*, *vikriyā* or *rūpā*. The description of *kuṇḍalinī* in *Yogayājñavalkya* 4.21 picks up this system. Another system of ten *tattvas* appears in *Uttarasūtra* 1.9 - 1.13 of the *Niśvāsatattvasaṃhitā* in which the tenfold nature of Sadāśiva is homologised with the *mantra*. Here the following list is given: *prakṛti, puruṣa, niyati, kāla, māyātattva, vidyā, Īśvara, Sadāśiva, dehavyāpin* and Śakti, cf. GOODALL and ISAACSON, 2016: 83-84. There is no similarity between the two tenfold *tattva*-systems. However, since Rājayoga is rooted in ancient Śaivsim (see BIRCH 2019), and Rāmacandra usually tends to present simplified and transsectarian systems, the choice of a tenfold *tattva*-system might be a remnant of those ancient systems.

यथैंकैकः पृथ्वी कचित्कोमलरूपा।। कचित्मनोहररूपा।। कचित्परिमलरूपयुक्ता।। कचित्परिमलर हिता।। कचित्तुवर्णरूपा।। कचित्रौप्यरूपा।। कचिद्रलमयी।। कचिश्वेता।। कचित्कृष्णा।। कचिद्र का।। कचित्पीता।। कचित्कर्बुरा।। कचिन्नानाविधफलरूपा।। कचित्पुष्परूपा।। कचिद्रमृतमयी।। स्वभावत एव भवति।। तथैवात्मा मनुष्यपक्षिहरिणहस्तीविद्याधरगंधर्वकिन्नरमहापण्डितमहामूर्खरो ग्यरोगीकोधीशान्तरूपः स्वभावादेव भवति।। ज्ञानयोगाद्विकाररूपरिहतो ज्ञायते।

Sources: 4–13.4 cf. YSv (PT p. 836): tathā ca devagandharvakinnarādyāḥ khagādayaḥ | sukhasampiṇḍito rogī tathaiva krodhaśāntadhīḥ | aśeṣarūpabalito nānābuddhirataḥ svayam | devatattvaṃ bhūtaśaktyā jīvasaṃjñā bhramātmikā | jñānayogī nirvikāro nistāpa eka īśvaraḥ | ātmaikamūrttimān bhūtvā nirvikalpo nirañjanaḥ | sukhī duḥkhī mohayukto 'nantacetāḥ svabhāvataḥ |

ɪ yathaikaikaḥ प्स्।] yathaikaiva E yathā ekaika BLPU2 yathā ekaiva DN1 yathā ekam ca N2 yathā ekai ca U_1 prthy \bar{i} β] prthiv \bar{i} α "r $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$ p $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ β] "r $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$ pa α kyacit cett.] om. EPU₁ manoharar $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$ p $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ B] manohararūpāh L manohararūpa U₂ manoharā DN₁N₂ om. EPU₁ kvacit cett.] om. EPU₁ "parimala cett.] om. EPU₁ "rūpayuktā BL] "rūpā" DN₁ "rūpāyuktah N₂ om. EPU₁ kvacit cett.] om. PU₁ °parimala cett.] °parimalarūpa° E om. PU₁ 1-2 °rahitā ELN₁] °rohitā BN₂U₂ om. DPU₁ **2 kvacit** cett.] om. PU₁ **suvarnarūpā** ELN₂U₂] suvarnarūpa BD khavarnakupā U₁ om. P **kvacit** cett.] om. BLP **raupyarūpā** E] rūpyarūpā N₁U₁ rūpyarūpa DN₂ rajatarūpā U₂ om. BLP ratnamayī cett.] ratnamaī BLP kvacit cett.] kvacic ca E om. P śvetā EDU2] śveta N₁N₂U₁ śvetarūpā L śverūpā B om. P kvacit kṛṣṇā cett.] kṛṣṇa N₁ om. EP 2-3 kvacid raktā BELU₂] kvacid rakta cett. om. P **3 kvacit pītā** cett.] om. P **kvacit karburā** cett.] kvacit karpurā U₁ om. P **kvaci** cett.] kvacit U₂ om. P **nānāvidhaphalarūpā** cett.] nānāvidhophalarūpā U₁ nānāvidharūpā E om. P kvacit BL]kvacid DN₁U₁ kvacir U₂ om. PN₂ puṣparūpā DN₁]viṣarūpā BEL viśarūpā U₂ om. U₁P **kvacid** cett.] kvacit U₂ om. U₁ amrtamayī cett.] amrtarūpamayī E amrtamaī BL om. U_I 4 svabhāvata cett.] om. U_I eva cett.] om. U_I bhavati cett.] bhavatah BL om. U_I tathaivātmā β] tathātmā α manuşya° cett.] om. U_I °pakṣi° cett.] om. U_I °hariṇa° cett.] °hariṇā° P om. U_I °hastī° DN_I] hasti cett. om. U_I °paṇḍita° cett.] piṇḍata B °mūrkha° cett.] "rmūkha" P "mūrva" DN_I "mūrşa" U_I **4–5 rogyarogī** em.] "rogyarogi E "rogī arogī α U₂ "rogī BLP 5 "krodhī" cett.] "krodhi" EP "krodha" BL "śānta" cett.] "dhiśānta" BL "rūpah cett.] °rūpāh PL °rūpa lpha **svabhāvād eva** cett.] evam svabhāvam U_I **bhavati** cett.] bhavatī BL bhatī N_I dharati D **jñānayogād vikāra** N_IU_I] jñānayogadhikāra cett. **jñāyate** cett.] jāyate U_2

Just as some particular soil sometimes appears soft, sometimes appears beautiful, sometimes fragrant, sometimes unscented, sometimes golden, sometimes silver, is sometimes made of precious stone, sometimes appearing white, sometimes black, sometimes copper, sometimes yellow, sometimes mottled, sometimes like various fruit, sometimes like flowers, sometimes like the nectar of immortality, [and that only] because of its inherent being. In this way, the self also takes the form of a human, a bird, a gazelle, an elephant, a Vidyādhara, a Gandharva, a centaur, a great scholar or a great fool, a sick or healthy, an angry or peaceful person, by virtue of its inherent nature. Through Jñānayoga he realises the emptiness of the mutability of form.

यथा फलस्योत्पत्तिस्थानमेकमेव भवति। अथ च फलस्य गतिर्बहुधा दृश्यते।।

एकं फलं पृथ्वीमध्ये पति। शुष्कं भवित। एकस्य फलस्य मकरन्दं भ्रमरः पिबित। एकस्य फ लस्य मालां कामिनी तुङ्गकुचमण्डलोपिर द्धाित। एकं फलंमृतमनुष्योपिर क्षिप्यते। अयं वस्तुनः स्वभावः। तथा एक एवात्मा स्वीयभावादेवाष्टौ भोगान्भुनिक्त। के तेऽष्टौ भोगाः।।

सुवासश्च सुवस्त्रञ्च सुशय्या सुनितंबिनी। सुस्थानञ्चान्नपानान्यष्टौ भोगाश्च धीमताम्॥ XXII.1॥

Sources: 4 cf. YSv (PT p. 837): strīpumrūpī mahān so hi parasparavimohitaḥ | amanaskaḥ svīyabhāvāt jñānayogī nirākulah | srakcandanādivāmāsu svabhāvād bhogam icchukah |

I phalasyotpatti cett.] plaksasyotpattih E "sthānam cett.] sthānam E "sthāna U_I ekam cett.] ekas D eva N₂ om. E eva cett.] kam eva N₂ bhavati cett.] bhavatī B ti U₁ gatir cett.] gati PN₂U₁ **3 ekam** cett.] eka° U₂ eva N₂ **phalam** cett.] phala° DN₁N₂ **pṛthvī**° cett.] pṛthivī° U₁ śuṣkaṃ LU_IU₂]śuklaṃ cett. bhavati cett.] bhavatī B phalasya cett.] om. PL makarandaṃ $ELPN_2U_1U_2$ makaramda° LN_1 karamdam B **bhramarah** cett.] bhramaram BL bhramara N_2 pibati cett.] pibamti P pibati B 3-4 phalasya cett.] phalasyam N₂ 4 mālām cett.] mālā° N_2 **kāminī** cett.] kāmibī D **tuṅga°** cett.] tuṃ U_1 **dadhāti** cett.] dadhāvati N_1 dadhovati N_2 ekam phalam β] ekaphalam α kṣipyate cett.] kṣapyate B 5 eka cett.] ekam U₂ evātmā cett.] eva ātmā U₂ svīyabhāvād cett.] svabhāvād BL evāstau cett.] evāstau N₂U₁ evāsta U₂ bhogān cett.] bhogāt N₂U₁ bhunakti cett.] ābhunakti N₁ ke te cett.] om. BL 'ṣṭau cett.] aṣṭau BL ste U₁ bhogāh cett.] bhobauh P bhogā U₁U₂ 6 suvāsas ca cett.] suvāsac ca B suvastrañ ca E] suvamśaś ca U2 suśayyā cett.] suśayyā ca U1 suśayyāḥ BL suyyā P sunitaṃbinī cett.] sunitāmbinīḥ P sunītavinīta U₁ **7 susthānañ ca** E] susthānāś PLN₂ susthātāś DN₁U₁ sudehaṃ U₂ $^{\circ}$ ānnapānāny L] vānnapānāny B cānnapānāni E cānpanānp $^{\circ}$ P cātmapanasyā $^{\circ}$ N $_{
m I}$ cānmanasyā $^{\circ}$ DN₂ cānnapānah syād° U₁ sukhasamtānam U₂ astau bhogāś ca dhīmatām EP] astau bhogāś cā sudhīmatām BL stau bhogāh sudhipana° N₁ stau bhogāh sudhisana° D astau bhogāh sudhisanām U₁ astau bhogāh N₂ abhayādicāstakam U₂

Just as the place of origin of the fruit is only one, but the fruit's actions and outcomes are seen as manifold.

One fruit falls onto the ground and becomes dry. A bee drinks the fruit's juice; [or] a woman places a garland made of the fruit over her voluptuous bosom; [or] the fruit is thrown onto a dead person. This is the inherent being of the thing. Thus [in the same way], the one self enjoys eight enjoyments due to its own being.

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What are the eight enjoyments?9

XXII.1 A good perfume, fine clothing, a good bed, a beautiful woman, a good dwelling (*susthāna*) food and drink.¹⁰ Those are the eight enjoyments of the wise.¹¹

⁸The passage appears to describe a single object's multifaceted nature, using fruit as an example. The author suggests that even though the fruit's origin is singular, the actions and outcomes that can arise from it are many and diverse. This can be seen in the various examples, such as the fruit falling onto the ground, a bee drinking the fruit's juice, a woman adorning herself with a garland made of the fruit or the fruit being thrown onto a dead person. The final statement about the self enjoying eight enjoyments suggests that just as the fruit can have different outcomes and experiences, the self can also have different experiences and enjoyments. The passage emphasizes the multifaceted and diverse nature of things and experiences. Additionally, the passage suggests that the eight enjoyments are perfectly natural to Rāmacandra and his readership.

⁹I was not able to allocate the source of the *aṣṭau bhogāḥ* yet. In the *Mānasollāsa* of King Someśvara, one finds the mention of twenty royal *upabhogas*, which, however, includes all of the eight pleasures in greater detail (G. K. Shrigondekar, ed. *Mānasollāsa*. *Mānasollāsa* of King Someśvara. Baroda Oriental Institute. Mumbai: Bombay Vaibhav Press, 1939, 5). This alludes to the possibility of an exceptionally wealthy lifestyle for Rāmacandra's audience.

¹⁰ Surprisingly, the verse only gives seven enjoyments. The horse is lacking compared to the list given a little later.

^{II} Right after the list presented on the next page, $R\bar{a}$ macandra teaches that the eight enjoyments cause suffering and attachment. However, the end of the verse with astau bhog \bar{a} is a dhimatam, "the eight enjoyments of the wise/clever person" suggests a rather positive connotation.

पृष्टसूत्रमयानि वस्त्राणि १।। पंच वा सप्त वा शालिकायुक्तानि हर्म्याणि तेषु वास्तु २।। अतिविपुलामृ दूत्तरछद्वतीशय्या ३।। पिद्मिनी तारुण्यवती मनोहरा गुणवती तत्रोपविस्ता कान्ता ४।। साध्वासनं ५।। अतिमूल्योऽश्वः ६।। मनोरममन्नं ७।। तथा विधं पानं ८।। एतेऽष्टौ भोगाः कथिताः। एते दुःखं भजन्ते। भिक्षां याचन्ते च। यथा सूर्यस्य तेजः।। दुग्धस्य घृतं।। अग्नेर्दाहः।। विषान्मूर्छा।। तिलात्तैलं।। वृक्षाच्छाया।। फलात्परिमलः।।काष्टादिग्नः।। शार्करादिभ्यो मधुरो रसः।। हिमानी भ्यः शैत्यं।। इत्यादिपदार्थस्वभाव एव।। तथा संसारोऽपि परमेश्वरस्वरूपमध्ये तिष्ठति।। परमेश्वरोऽखण्दपरिपूर्णश्च।।

Sources: 1–4 cf. YSv (PT p. 837): ātmāvivekam āgamya calac cittam mahākulam | viṣayāndhatamo dṛṣṭvā no vetti paramātmanaḥ | amāyātmā tattvātītaḥ satsandhānavivarjitaḥ | sukhī duḥkhī janma mṛtyum yāti satyam punaḥ punaḥ | vairāgyādidhanam tyaktvā viṣavad duḥkhakṛddhiyaḥ | koṭisūryasamātmeti jñānayogād vimucyate | 4–7 cf. YSv (PT p. 837): ravī tejo ghṛtam dugdhe tile tailam svabhāvataḥ | śaśam indau kule śākham kṣāre ca lavaṇam yathā | tathā brahmaṇi saṃsāro hyakhandaparipūrvake |

ɪ patta° 맥川 pata° BLU2 padr° aE pada° P sūtra° cett.] sūtrā BL °mayāni cett.] °yāni DN1N2 vastrāni PL] vasrāni cett. pamca vā sapta vā α] pamcasaptā EP pamcasatyā LB śālikā em.] drālikā EN_I drāmlikā D dadhikā P dātikā BL tālikā N₂ dālikā U_I **yuktāni** cett.] saudhāni U₂ teşu vāstu LB] teşu vāsaḥ E teşu cāsaḥ P vāsāya kecit U2 om. cett. ativipulā° cett.] ativapulā° DN₁ ativipulām U₁ astau bhogān āha || U₂ 1-2 mrdūttara em. | mrdutara BELP mrdu | uttara em. α sugraham $\|U_2\|_2$ "chadavatī" P $\|$ "chandavatī" D $\|V_1\|_2$ "chadavatī" U $\|V_1\|_2$ "śayyā cett.] suśayā sustrī U₂ padminī cett.] padmanī N₁ om. U₂ tāruṇyavatī em.] tārūṇyavatī cett. tārūrāyavatī N₂ om. U₂ manoharā guņavatī cett.] om. U₂ tatropavistā cett.] tatopavistā P tatrāpavistā B om. U₂ kāntā BELP] om. cett. sādhvāsanam em.] sādhu āśanam E sādhu āsanam BLPU2 sādhyāsanam DN1N2 3 atimūlyo'śvaḥ em.] atimūlyañ ca E atimūlo 'śvaḥ P atimūlyo asvam BL amūlyo svaś ca α suśvaḥ U₂ manoramam annam cett.] manoramyam attam B manoramyam annam L manoramam attam DN₁ sustu annam U₂ vidham pānam cett.] vidhapānam BLN₂ vidhayānam U₂ ete cett.] rāte U₁ 'ṣṭau β] aṣṭau α bhogāḥ cett.] bhogā N₁N₂ ghogā U₁ kathitāḥ EU₂] kathitā P kathyate N₁N₂U₁ kathyaṃte D om. BL ete DN_2U_1] eke EPN_1 eka BL ekam U_2 4 duḥkham $DEN_1U_1U_2$] duḥkha P duḥkhā BL duḥkhatam N_2 bhajante cett.] bhajate N₂U₁ bhiksām EPN₂U₁] bhiksyām DN₁ bhiksā BLU₂ yācante cett.] yāmcamte P yāmcate BL yācate N₂ pācate U₁ ca cett.] kiñca E sūryasya cett.] sūryas ca U₁ tejaḥ cett.] tejāḥ BL dugdhasya DEPN₁U₂] dugdha° BL dusya N₂ dugdhasy U₁ ghṛtaṃ cett.] ghṛtaḥ BLP **agner** E] agne cett. **dāhaḥ** em.] dvāhaḥ BLP dahiḥ N₁ dadhi N₂ dadhiḥ D dārhaṃ U₁ dāhiḥ U₂ jvalanaṃ E viṣān cett.] viṣāt U₁ 5 tilāt cett.] titilāt P tila N₂ tilā U₁ vṛkṣāt EN₁] vrksāt P vrksā BDLN₂U₂ vraksā U₁ **phalāt** cett.] phalā BL **parimalah** cett.] sarimalah BL palāt parimalah D **kāṣṭhād** cett.] kāṣṭād PU $_2$ kaṣṭād BL **agnih** β] āgnih α **śārkarādibhyo** em.] arkarādibhyo E śarkvarādibhyo P śarkadībhyo LB rasah cett.] om. BL 5-6 himānībhyah cett.] sahimānibhyah BL himānitpa N₂ 6 śaityam DU₁] śaityām N₁ śītyam U₂ śaityāś N₂ śītam EP śītah BL ityādipadārthasvabhāva DN₁P] ityādipadārthā° U2 ityādipadārthāsvabhāvatah B atyādipadārtharthasvabhāva N₂ ityādisvabhāvah U₁ ityādiphadārthāh svabhāvatah L ityādipadārthānām svabhāvaḥ E eva cett.] evā N_I ravaḥ U_I om. E tathā cett.] tathā vā U_I parameśvarasvarūpamadhye cett.] paremesvara svarūpasva madhye BL parameśvararūpamadhye U₁ tisthati cett.] tisthatī B tisthamti U₂ 7'khanda° cett.] 'samda° DN₁ yarānda° N₂ khamdah U_I °paripūrņas ca cett.] paripūrņah E

I. Clothes made from silk;¹² 2. A site of the palace in which there are mansions endowed with five or seven rooms.¹³ 3. A huge and soft bed with an excellent blanket;¹⁴ 4. [on which] there is seated an excellent, youthful, charming and virtuous wife;¹⁵ 5. An excellent seat;¹⁶ 6. An exceptional valuable horse;¹⁷ 7. Food that pleases the senses;¹⁸ 8. Various drinks.¹⁹ The eight enjoyments are described. They impart suffering and [make one] beg for their sustenance. Like the rays of the sun, the butter of milk, the burning of fire, the stupor of poison, the sesame oil from the sesame seed, the shade from the tree, the sweet odour from a fruit, the fire from a scabbard, the sweet sap of Śārkara²⁰ and so on, the cold of piles of snow, and so on is the inherent essence of things. In the same way, the course of the world is also in the centre of the highest God's own form. Moreover, the highest God is indivisible and all-filling.

¹²Within the twenty *upabhoga*s of the *Mānasollāsa* there is the topic of *Vastropabhoga* or the "enjoyment of garments". Particularly in summer, the king is asked to wear silk or cotton clothes which are thin and charming (Shrigondekar, 1939:14).

 $^{^{13}}$ The first $adhy\bar{a}ya$ of the third $vim\acute{s}ati$ of the $M\bar{a}nasoll\bar{a}sa$ discusses astrology for finding out auspicious moments while building new houses for princes. Here houses with one to four $s\bar{a}l\bar{a}s$ are described (Shrigondekar, 1939:6-7).

¹⁴This is found as Śayyābhoga within the Mānasollāsa. In this section, seven kinds of beds and eight kinds of bed-steads are described (Shrigondekar, 1939:21).

¹⁵This is resembled as *yosidupabhoga* within the *Mānasollāsa*. In this chapter, King Someśvara describes the qualifications of women a king should marry. The two most important qualities he gives are beauty and full youth. Out of the four kinds of women: a) Padminī, b) Citriṇī, c) Śaṅkhinī, and d) Hastinī, he suggests that the latter two kinds are not worth enjoying (Shrigondekar, 21.)

 $^{^{16}}$ The $\bar{a}sanopabhoga$ or "the enjoyment of seats" within the $M\bar{a}nasoll\bar{a}sa$ describe various kinds of royal seats (Shrigondekar, 1939:15).

¹⁷This is resembled as *yānopabhoga* within the *Mānasollāsa*. In this chapter, King Someśvara lists nine kinds of vehicles, including horses (Shrigondekar, 1939:24).

¹⁸This is resembled as *annabhoga* within the *Mānasollāsa*. In this section, King Someśvara describes the names of various kinds of great food and the directions as to the preparations of various dishes (Shrigondekar, 1939:21).

¹⁹This is resembled as *pānīyabhoga* within the *Mānasollāsa*. In this chapter, everything related to drinking and drinks is described (Shrigondekar, 1939:23). Instead of following his source text closely, Rāmacandra modifies the passage's meaning. The original ascetic ideal of his source text, which emphasizes renunciation and detachment from wealth, is weakened by introducing the eight enjoyments. Instead of radically abandoning wealth, as we can ...

²⁰A liquor prepared from Dhātakī with sugar. Beleg?

Appendix

Figures



Figure O.I: Viṣṇu Viśvarūpa, India, Rajasthan, Jaipur, ca. 1800–1820, Opaque watercolor and gold on paper, 38.5 × 28 cm, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, Given by Mrs. Gerald Clark.



Figure 0.2: The Equivalence of Self and Universe (detail), folio 6 from the *Siddhasiddhāntapaddhati* (Bulaki), India, Rajasthan, Jodhpur, 1824 (Samvat 1881), 122 x 46 cm, RJS 2378, Mehragarh Museum Trust.

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