# POŢŢHAPĀDASUTTA

#### sīlakkhandhavaggapāli 9. potthapādasuttam (DN 9)

9 Potthapāda Sutta: About Potthapāda States of Consciousness 1.

406.

evam me sutam.

Thus have i heard.

ekam samayam bhagavā sāvatthiyam viharati jetavane anāthapindikassa ārāme.

Once the Lord was staying at Savatthi, in Jeta's grove, in Anāthapindika's park.

tena kho pana samayena potthapādo paribbājako samayappavādake tindukācīre ekasālake mallikāya ārāme pativasati mahatiyā paribbājakaparisāya saddhim timsamattehi paribbājakasatehi.

And at that time the wanderer Potthapāda was at the debating-hall near the Tinduka tree, in the single-halled park of Queen Mallikā, with a large crowd of about three hundred wanderers.

atha kho bhagavā pubbanhasamayam nivāsetvā pattacīvaramādāya sāvatthim pindāya pāvisi. Then the Lord, rising early, took his robe and bowl and went to Sāvatthi for alms.

407.

atha kho bhagavato etadahosi:

But it occurred to him:

"atippago kho tāva sāvatthiyam pindāya caritum.

'It is too early to go to Sāvatthi for alms.

yamnūnāham yena samayappavādako tindukācīro ekasālako mallikāya ārāmo, yena poṭṭhapādo paribbājako tenupasankameyyan"ti.

Suppose I were to go to the debating-hall to see the wanderer Potthapāda?'

atha kho bhagavā yena samayappavādako tindukācīro ekasālako mallikāya ārāmo tenupasankami.

And he did so.

408.

tena kho pana samayena potthapādo paribbājako mahatiyā paribbājakaparisāya saddhim nisinno hoti

There Potthapāda was sitting with his crowd of wanderers,

unnādiniyā uccāsaddamahāsaddāya anekavihitam tiracchānakatham kathentiyā. all shouting and making a great commotion, indulging in various kinds of unedifying conversation,

seyyathidam - rājakatham corakatham mahāmattakatham senākatham bhayakatham yuddhakatham

such as about kings, robbers, ministers, armies, dangers, wars,

annakatham pānakatham vatthakatham sayanakatham mālākatham gandhakatham food, drink, clothes, beds, garlands, perfumes,

ñātikatham yānakatham gāmakatham nigamakatham nagarakatham janapadakatham relatives, carriages, villages, towns and cities, countries,

itthikatham sürakatham visikhākatham kumbhaṭṭhānakatham

women, heroes, street- and well-gossip,

pubbapetakatham nānattakatham lokakkhāyikam samuddakkhāyikam itibhavābhavakatham iti vā.

talk of the departed, desultory chat, speculations about land and sea, talk of being and non-being.

409.

addasā kho poṭṭhapādo paribbājako bhagavantaṃ dūratova āgacchantaṃ; disvāna sakaṃ parisam santhapesi:

But Potthapāda saw the Lord coming from a distance, and so he called his followers to order, saying:

"appasaddā bhonto hontu, mā bhonto saddamakattha.

'Be quiet, gentlemen, don't make a noise, gentlemen!

ayam samano gotamo agacchati.

That ascetic Gotama is coming,

appasaddakāmo kho so āyasmā appasaddassa vannavādī.

and he likes quiet and speaks in praise of quiet.

appeva nāma appasaddam parisam viditvā upasankamitabbam maññeyyā"ti.

If he sees that this company is quiet, he will most likely want to come and visit us."

evam vutte te paribbājakā tunhī ahesum.

At this the wanderers fell silent.

410.

atha kho bhagavā yena potthapādo paribbājako tenupasankami.

Then the Lord came to Potthapāda,

atha kho potthapādo paribbājako bhagavantam etadavoca:

"etu kho, bhante, bhagavā.

'Come, reverend Lord,

svāgatam, bhante, bhagavato.

welcome, reverend Lord!

cirassam kho, bhante, bhagavā imam pariyāyamakāsi, yadidam idhāgamanāya. At last the reverend Lord has gone out of his way to come here.

nisīdatu, bhante, bhagavā, idam āsanam paññattan"ti.

Be seated, Lord, a seat is prepared.

nisīdi bhagavā paññatte āsane.

The Lord sat down on the prepared seat,

potthapādopi kho paribbājako aññataram nīcam āsanam gahetvā ekamantam nisīdi. and Potthapada took a low stool and sat down to one side.

ekamantam nisinnam kho potthapādam paribbājakam bhagavā etadavoca:

The Lord said:

"kāya nuttha, potthapāda, etarahi kathāya sannisinnā,

'Potthapāda, what were you all talking about?

kā ca pana vo antarākathā vippakatā"ti?

What conversation have I interrupted?'

411.

evam vutte potthapādo paribbājako bhagavantam etadavoca:

Potthapāda replied:

"titthatesā, bhante, kathā, yāya mayam etarahi kathāya sannisinnā.

'Lord, never mind the conversation we were having just now,

nesā, bhante, kathā bhagavato dullabhā bhavissati pacchāpi savanāya.

it will not be difficult for the Lord to hear about that later.

purimāni, bhante, divasāni purimatarāni, nānātitthiyānam samaṇabrāhmaṇānam kotūhalasālāya sannisinnānam sannipatitānam abhisaññānirodhe kathā udapādi:

In the past few days, Lord, the discussion among the ascetics and Brahmins of various schools, sitting together and meeting in the debating-hall, has concerned the higher extinction of consciousness.

'katham nu kho, bho, abhisaññānirodho hotī'ti?

'How does the cessation of perception happen?

tatrekacce evamāhamsu:

Some said:

'ahetū appaccayā purisassa saññā uppajjantipi nirujjhantipi.

"One's perceptions arise and cease without cause or condition.

yasmim samaye uppajjanti, saññī tasmim samaye hoti.

When they arise, one is conscious,

yasmim samaye nirujjhanti, asaññī tasmim samaye hotī'ti.

when they cease, then one is unconscious."

ittheke abhisaññānirodham paññapenti.

That is how they explained it.

"tamañño evamāha:

But somebody else said:

'na kho pana metam, bho, evam bhavissati.

"No. that is not how it is.

saññā hi, bho, purisassa attā.

Perceptions are a person's self,

sā ca kho upetipi apetipi.

which comes and goes.

yasmim samaye upeti, saññī tasmim samaye hoti.

When it comes, one is conscious,

yasmim samaye apeti, asaññī tasmim samaye hotī'ti.

when it goes, one is unconscious."

ittheke abhisaññanirodham paññapenti.

That is how they explained it.

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## "tamañño eyamāha:

Another said:

'na kho pana metam, bho, evam bhavissati.

"That is not how it is.

santi hi, bho, samanabrāhmanā mahiddhikā mahānubhāvā.

There are ascetics and Brahmins of great powers, of great influence.

te imassa purisassa saññam upakaddhantipi apakaddhantipi. They draw down consciousness into a man and withdraw it.

yasmim samaye upakaddhanti, saññī tasmim samaye hoti. When they draw it down into him, he is conscious,

yasmim samaye apakaddhanti, asaññī tasmim samaye hotī'ti. when they withdraw it, he is unconscious."

ittheke abhisaññānirodham paññapenti.

That is how they explained it.

#### "tamañño evamāha:

And another said:

'na kho pana metam, bho, evam bhavissati.

"No, that is not how it is.

santi hi, bho, devatā mahiddhikā mahānubhāvā.

There are deities of great powers, of great influence.

tā imassa purisassa saññam upakaddhantipi apakaddhantipi.

They draw down consciousness into a man and withdraw it.

yasmim samaye upakaddhanti, saññī tasmim samaye hoti.

When they draw it down into him, he is conscious,

yasmim samaye apakaddhanti, asaññī tasmim samaye hotī'ti. when they withdraw it, he is unconscious."

#### ittheke abhisaññanirodham paññapenti.

That is how they explained it.

"tassa mayham, bhante, bhagavantamyeva ārabbha sati udapādi: It was in this connection that I thought of the Lord:

'aho nūna bhagavā, aho nūna sugato, yo imesam dhammānam sukusalo'ti.
"Ah, surely, the Blessed Lord, the Well-Farer, he is supremely skilled about these matters!

bhagavā, bhante, kusalo, bhagavā pakataññū abhisaññānirodhassa.

The Blessed Lord well understands the higher extinction of consciousness."

katham nu kho, bhante, abhisaññānirodho hotī''ti?

What then, Lord, is this higher extinction of consciousness?

412.

"tatra, potthapāda, ye te samanabrāhmanā evamāhamsu:

'In this matter, Potthapāda, those ascetics and Brahmins who say

'ahetū appaccayā purisassa saññā uppajjantipi nirujjhantipī'ti, āditova tesam aparaddham. one's perceptions arise and cease without cause or condition are totally wrong.

#### tam kissa hetu?

Why is that?

sahet $\bar{u}$  hi, potthap $\bar{a}$ da, sappaccay $\bar{a}$  purisassa saññ $\bar{a}$  uppajjantipi nirujjhantipi.

One's perceptions arise and cease owing to a cause and conditions.

#### sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati,

Some perceptions arise through training,

#### sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati".

and some pass away through training."

413.

"kā ca sikkhā"ti?
"What is this training?"

#### bhagavā avoca:

The Lord said.

"idha, potthapāda, tathāgato loke uppajjati araham, sammāsambuddho vijjācaraṇasampanno sugato lokavidū anuttaro purisadammasārathi satthā devamanussānam buddho bhagavā.

Potthapāda, a Tathāgata arises in this world an Arahant, fully-enlightened Buddha, endowed with wisdom and conduct, Well-Farer, Knower of the worlds, incomparable Trainer of men to be tamed, Teacher of gods and humans, enlightened and blessed.

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so imam lokam sadevakam samārakam sabrahmakam sassamanabrāhmanim pajam sadevamanussam sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā pavedeti.

He, having realised it by his own super-knowledge, proclaims this world with its devas, māras and Brahmās, its princes and people.

so dhammam deseti ādikalyānam majjhekalyānam pariyosānakalyānam sāttham sabyañjanam, kevalaparipunnam parisuddham brahmacariyam pakāseti.

He preaches the Dhamma which is lovely in its beginning, lovely in its middle, lovely in its ending, in the spirit and in the letter, and displays the fully-perfected and purified holy life.

191. (MN2 190-212) 41. (MN 2, 41—62)

"taṃ dhammaṃ suṇāti gahapati vā gahapatiputto vā aññatarasmiṃ vā kule paccājāto.

This Dhamma is heard by a householder or a householder's son, or one reborn in some family or other.

so tam dhammam sutvā tathāgate saddham paţilabhati.

Having heard this Dhamma, he gains faith in the Tathagata.

so tena saddhāpatilābhena samannāgato iti patisañcikkhati — 'sambādho gharāvāso rajopatho, abbhokāso pabbajjā.

Having gained this faith, he reflects: "The household life is close and dusty, the homeless life is free as air.

nayidam sukaram agāram ajjhāvasatā ekantaparipuṇṇam ekantaparisuddham saṅkhalikhitam brahmacariyam caritum.

It is not easy, living the household life, to live the fully-perfected holy life, purified and polished like a conch-shell.

yamnūnāham kesamassum ohāretvā kāsāyāni vatthāni acchādetvā agārasmā anagāriyam pabbajeyyan'ti.

Suppose I were to shave off my hair and beard, don yellow robes and go forth from the household life into homelessness!"

192.

"so aparena samayena appam vā bhogakkhandham pahāya mahantam vā bhogakkhandham pahāya appam vā ñātiparivaṭṭam pahāya mahantam vā ñātiparivaṭṭam pahāya

And after some time, he abandons his property, small or great, leaves his circle of relatives, small or great,

kesamassum ohäretvä käsäyäni vatthäni acchädetvä agärasmä anagäriyam pabbajati. shaves off his hair and beard, dons yellow robes and goes forth into the homeless life.

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"so evam pabbajito samāno pātimokkhasamvarasamvuto viharati ācāragocarasampanno, 'And having gone forth, he dwells restrained by the restraint of the rules, persisting in right behaviour,

anumattesu vajjesu bhayadassāvī,

seeing danger in the slightest faults,

samādāya sikkhati sikkhāpadesu, observing the commitments he has taken on

kāyakammavacīkammena samannāgato kusalena,

regarding body, deed and word, devoted to the skilled

parisuddhājīvo sīlasampanno,

and purified life, perfected in morality,

indriyesu guttadvāro,

with the sense-doors guarded,

satisampajaññena samannāgato, santuttho.

skilled in mindful awareness and content.

194.

"kathañca, potthapāda, bhikkhu sīlasampanno hoti?

'And how, Potthapāda, is a monk perfected in morality?

idha, potthapāda, bhikkhu pāṇātipātam pahāya pāṇātipātā paṭivirato hoti.

Abandoning the taking of life, he dwells refraining from taking life.

nihitadando nihitasattho lajjī dayāpanno sabbapānabhūtahitānukampī viharati. without stick or sword, scrupulous, compassionate, trembling for the welfare of all living beings.

idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

(MN 1, 8-27)

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## "adinnādānam pahāya adinnādānā paṭivirato hoti dinnādāyī dinnapāṭikankhī, athenena sucibhūtena attanā viharati.

"Abandoning the taking of what is not given, he dwells refraining from taking what is not given, living purely, accepting what is given, awaiting what is given, without stealing.

### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

### "abrahmacariyam pahāya brahmacārī hoti ārācārī virato methunā gāmadhammā.

Abandoning unchastity, he lives far from it, aloof from the village-practice of sex.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

#### "musāvādam pahāya musāvādā pativirato hoti

"Abandoning false speech, he dwells refraining from false speech,

#### saccavādī saccasandho theto paccayiko avisamvādako lokassa.

a truth-speaker, one to be relied on, trustworthy, dependable, not a deceiver of the world.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

## "pisuņam vācam pahāya pisuņāya vācāya paţivirato hoti;

Abandoning malicious speech,

#### ito sutvā na amutra akkhātā imesam bhedāya;

he does not repeat there what he has heard here to the detriment of these,

#### amutra vā sutvā na imesam akkhātā, amūsam bhedāya.

or repeat here what he has heard there to the detriment of those.

#### iti bhinnānam vā sandhātā,

Thus he is a reconciler of those at variance

#### sahitānam vā anuppadātā,

and an encourager of those at one,

## samaggārāmo samaggarato samagganandī samaggakaraņim vācam bhāsitā hoti.

rejoicing in peace, loving it, delighting in it, one who speaks up for peace.

### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

#### "pharusam vācam pahāya pharusāya vācāya pativirato hoti;

Abandoning harsh speech, he refrains from it.

#### vā sā vācā nelā

He speaks whatever is blameless,

#### kannasukhā pemanīvā hadavangamā

pleasing to the ear, agreeable, reaching the heart,

### porī bahujanakantā bahujanamanāpā tathārūpim vācam bhāsitā hoti.

urbane, pleasing and attractive to the multitude.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

#### "samphappalāpam pahāya samphappalāpā pativirato hoti

Abandoning idle chatter,

#### kālavādī bhūtavādī atthavādī

he speaks at the right time, what is correct and to the point,

### dhammavādī vinayavādī,

of Dhamma and discipline.

#### nidhānavatim vācam bhāsitā hoti

He is a speaker whose words are to be treasured,

#### kālena sāpadesam pariyantavatim atthasamhitam.

seasonable, reasoned, well-defined and connected with the goal."

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

#### "bījagāmabhūtagāmasamārambhā pativirato hoti.

"'He is a refrainer from damaging seeds and crops."

#### ekabhattiko hoti rattūparato virato vikālabhojanā.

He eats once a day and not at night, refraining from eating at improper times.

#### naccagītavāditavisūkadassanā pativirato hoti.

He avoids watching dancing, singing, music and shows.

#### mālāgandhavilepanadhāranamandanavibhūsanatthānā pativirato hoti.

He abstains from using garlands, perfumes, cosmetics, ornaments and adornments.

#### uccāsayanamahāsayanā pativirato hoti.

He avoids using high or wide beds.

### jātarūparajatapatiggahaņā pativirato hoti.

He avoids accepting gold and silver.

#### āmakadhaññapaţiggahaṇā paţivirato hoti.

He avoids accepting raw grain

## āmakamaṃsapaṭiggahaṇā paṭivirato hoti.

## itthikumārikapaţiggahaņā paţivirato hoti.

he does not accept women and young girls,

## dāsidāsapatiggahanā pativirato hoti.

male or female slaves,

### ajeļakapaţiggahaņā paţivirato hoti.

sheep and goats,

### kukkuţasūkarapaţiggahanā paţivirato hoti.

cocks and pigs,

### hatthigavassavalavapatiggahanā pativirato hoti.

elephants, cattle, horses and mares,

### khettavatthupatiggahanā pativirato hoti.

fields and plots;

## dūteyyapahiņagamanānuyogā paţivirato hoti.

he refrains from running errands,

#### kayavikkayā pativirato hoti.

from buying and selling,

## tulākūṭakaṃsakūṭamānakūṭā paṭivirato hoti.

from cheating with false weights and measures,

#### ukkotanavañcananikatisāciyogā pativirato hoti.

from bribery and corruption, deception and insincerity,

### chedanavadhabandhanaviparāmosāalopasahasākārā pativirato hoti.

from wounding, killing, imprisoning, highway robbery, and taking food by force."

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

195.

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpaṃ bījagāmabhūtagāmasamārambham anuyuttā viharanti.

"There are some ascetics and brahmins who, while enjoying food given in faith, still engage in injuring plants and seeds.

#### seyyathidam — mūlabījam khandhabījam phaļubījam aggabījam bījabījameva pañcamam, These include plants propagated from roots, stems, cuttings, or joints; and those from regular seeds as the fifth."

#### iti evarūpā bījagāmabhūtagāmasamārambhā pativirato hoti.

They refrain from such injury to plants and seeds.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

196.

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpaṃ sannidhikāraparibhogaṃ anuyuttā viharanti.

"Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to the enjoyment of stored-up goods

## seyyathidam — annasannidhim pānasannidhim

Such as food, drink,

## vatthasannidhim yānasannidhim sayanasannidhim clothing, carriages, beds,

gandhasannidhim āmisasannidhim,

perfumes, material possesions.

#### iti vā iti evarūpā sannidhikāraparibhogā pativirato hoti.

They refrain from storing up such goods.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

197.

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpaṃ visūkadassanam anuyuttā viharanti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to attending shows.

## seyyathidam — naccam gītam vāditam pekkham akkhānam pāņissaram

Such as dancing, singing, music, displays, recitations, hand-music,

### vetāļam kumbhathūņam sobhanakam caņdālam vamsam dhovanam

cymbals and drums, fairy-shows, acrobatic and conjuring tricks,

## hatthiyuddham assayuddham mahimsayuddham usabhayuddham ajayuddham mendayuddham kukkutayuddham vattakayuddham

combats of elephants, horses, buffaloes, bulls, goats, rams, cocks and quail,

## dandayuddham mutthiyuddham nibbuddham uyyodhikam balaggam senābyūham anīkadassanam

fighting with staves, boxing, wrestling, sham-fights, parades, manoeuvres and military reviews,

#### iti vā iti evarūpā visūkadassanā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from attending such displays.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

198.

### "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpaṃ jūtappamādaṭṭhānānuyogaṃ anuyuttā viharanti.

"Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to games and idle pursuits.

# seyyathidam — aṭṭhapadam dasapadam ākāsam parihārapatham santikam khalikam ghaṭikam salākahattham akkham paṅgacīram vaṅkakam mokkhacikam ciṅgulikam pattāḷhakam rathakam dhanukam akkharikam manesikam yathāvajjam

Such as eight- or ten-row chess, 'chess in the air', hopscotch, spillikins, dice, hitting sticks, 'hand-pictures', ball-games, blowing through toy pipes, playing with toy ploughs, turning somersaults, playing with toy windmills, measures, carriages, and bows, guessing letters, guessing thoughts, mimicking deformities,

### iti vā iti evarūpā jūtappamādatthānānuyogā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such idle pursuits.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

199.

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpam uccāsayanamahāsayanam anuyuttā viharanti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to high and wide beds.

# seyyathidam — āsandim pallankam gonakam cittakam patikam patalikam tūlikam vikatikam uddalomim ekantalomim kattissam koseyyam kuttakam hatthattharam assattharam rathattharam ajinappavenim kadalimigapavarapaccattharanam sauttaracchadam ubhatolohitakupadhānam

Such as long chairs, couches adorned with animal figures, fleecy or variegated coverlets, coverlets with hair on both sides or one side, silk coverlets, embroidered with gems or without, elephant-, horse- or chariot-rugs, choice spreads of antelope-hide, couches with awnings, or with red cushions at both ends,

#### iti vā iti evarūpā uccāsayanamahāsayanā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such high and wide beds.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

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## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpaṃ mandanavibhūsanatthānānuyogaṃ anuyuttā viharanti.

"Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to such forms of self-adornment and embellishment.

seyyathidam — ucchādanam parimaddanam nhāpanam sambāhanam ādāsam añjanam mālāgandhavilepanam mukhacunnam mukhalepanam hatthabandham sikhābandham dandam nālikam asim chattam citrupāhanam unhīsam manim vālabījanim odātāni vatthāni dīghadasāni

Such as rubbing the body with perfumes, massaging, bathing in scented water, shampooing, using mirrors, ointments, garlands, scents, unquents, cosmetics, bracelets, headbands, fancy sticks, bottles, swords, sunshades, decorated sandals, turbans, gems, yak-tail fans, long-fringed white robes,

iti vā iti evarūpā mandanavibhūsanatthānānuvogā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such self-adornment.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpam tiracchānakatham anuyuttā viharanti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to such unedifying conversation.

seyyathidam — rājakatham corakatham mahāmattakatham senākatham bhayakatham yuddhakatham annakatham pānakatham vatthakatham sayanakatham mālākatham gandhakatham ñātikatham yānakatham gāmakatham nigamakatham nagarakatham janapadakatham itthikatham sūrakatham visikhākatham kumbhatthānakatham pubbapetakatham nānattakatham lokakkhāyikam samuddakkhāyikam itibhayābhayakatham

Such as about kings, robbers, ministers, armies, dangers, wars, food, drink, clothes, beds, garlands, perfumes, relatives, carriages, villages, towns and cities, countries, women, heroes, street- and well-gossip, talk of the departed, desultory chat, speculations about land and sea, talk about being and non-being,

iti vā iti evarūpāva tiracchānakathāva pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such conversation.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

202.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpam viggāhikakatham anuyuttā viharanti.

Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to disputation.

seyyathidam — na tvam imam dhammavinayam ājānāsi, aham imam dhammavinayam ājānāmi,

Such as: 'You don't understand this doctrine and discipline - I do!'

#### kim tvam imam dhammavinayam ājānissasi,

'How could you understand this doctrine and discipline?'

micchā patipanno tvamasi, ahamasmi sammā patipanno,

'Your way is all wrong — mine is right!'

#### sahitam me, asahitam te,

'I am consistent - you aren't!'

#### pure vacanīyam pacchā avaca, pacchā vacanīyam pure avaca,

'You said last what you should have said first, and you said first what you should have said last!'

#### adhicinnam te viparāvattam, āropito te vādo,

'What you took so long to think up has been refuted!'

#### niggahito tvamasi, cara vādappamokkhāya,

'Your argument has been overthrown, you're defeated!'

#### nibbethehi vā sace pahosīti

'Go on, save your doctrine - get out of that if you can!'

#### iti vā iti evarūpāya viggāhikakathāya pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such disputation.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

203.

#### "yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpam dūtevyapahinagamanānuvogam anuvuttā viharanti.

"Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to such things as running errands and messages,

#### seyyathidam — raññam, rājamahāmattānam, khattiyānam, brāhmanānam, gahapatikānam, kumārānam —

such as for kings, ministers, nobles, Brahmins, householders and young men who say:

## 'idha gaccha, amutrāgaccha,

'Go here - go there!

### idam hara, amutra idam āharā'ti

Take this there — bring that from there!

## iti vā iti evarūpā dūteyyapahinagamanānuyogā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such errand-running.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

204. 1 20

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te kuhakā ca honti lapakā ca nemittikā ca nippesikā ca lābhena lābham nijigīmsitāro ca. iti evarūpā kuhanalapanā pativirato hoti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, remain addicted to deception, patter, hinting, belittling, and are always on the make for further gains, he refrains from such deception.

### idampissa hoti sīlasmim".

Thus he is accomplished in morality.'

205. 1.21.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by such base

seyyathidam — angam nimittam uppatam supinam lakkhanam musikacchinnam aggihomam such wrong means of livelihood as palmistry, divining by signs, portents, dreams, body-marks, mouse-gnawings, fire-oblations,

#### dabbihomam thusahomam kanahomam tandulahomam sappihomam telahomam mukhahomam lohitahomam

oblations from a ladle, of husks, rice-powder, rice-grains, ghee or oil, from the mouth or of blood,

angavijjā vatthuvijjā khattavijjā sivavijjā bhūtavijjā bhūrivijjā ahivijjā visavijjā reading the finger-tips, house- and garden-lore, skill in charms, ghost-lore, earth-house lore, snake-lore, poison-lore,

vicchikavijjā mūsikavijjā sakunavijjā vāyasavijjā pakkajjhānam saraparittānam migacakkam rat-lore, bird-lore, crow-lore, foretelling a person's life-span, charms against arrows, knowledge of animals

#### iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

#### seyyathidam — manilakkhanam vatthalakkhanam dandalakkhanam satthalakkhanam asilakkhanam

such as judging the marks of gems, sticks, clothes, swords, spears,

#### usulakkhanam dhanulakkhanam āvudhalakkhanam itthilakkhanam purisalakkhanam kumāralakkhanam kumārilakkhanam

arrows, weapons, women, men, boys, girls,

#### dasalakkhanam dasilakkhanam hatthilakkhanam assalakkhanam mahimsalakkhanam usabhalakkhanam golakkhanam

male and female slaves, elephants, horses, buffaloes, bulls, cows,

ajalakkhaṇam meṇḍalakkhaṇam kukkuṭalakkhaṇam vaṭṭakalakkhanam godhālakkhanam goats, rams, cocks, quail, iguanas,

#### kannikalakkhanam kacchapalakkhanam migalakkhanam

bamboo-rats, tortoises, deer,

iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

207.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

seyyathidam — raññam niyyānam bhavissati, raññam aniyyānam bhavissati, such as predicting: 'The chiefs will march out — the chiefs will march back',

abbhantarānam raññam upayānam bhavissati, bāhirānam raññam apayānam bhavissati, 'Our chiefs will advance and the other chiefs will retreat',

bāhirānam raññam upayānam bhavissati, abbhantarānam raññam apayānam bhavissati, 'The other chiefs will advance and our chiefs will retreat',

abbhantarānam raññam jayo bhavissati, bāhirānam raññam parājayo bhavissati, 'Our chiefs will win and the other chiefs will lose',

bāhirānam rañnam jayo bhavissati, abbhantarānam rañnam parājayo bhavissati, 'The other chiefs will win and ours will lose',

iti imassa jayo bhavissati, imassa parājayo bhavissati 'Thus there will be victory for one side and defeat for the other',

iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

208. 1.24.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

sevyathidam — candaggāho bhavissati, sūriyaggāho bhavissati, nakkhattaggāho bhavissati, such as predicting an eclipse of the moon, the sun, a star;

candimasūriyānam pathagamanam bhavissati, candimasūriyānam uppathagamanam bhavissati.

that the sun and moon will go on their proper course — will go astray;

nakkhattānam pathagamanam bhavissati, nakkhattānam uppathagamanam bhavissati, that a star will go on its proper course — will go astray;

ukkāpāto bhavissati, disādāho bhavissati, bhūmicālo bhavissati, devadudrabhi bhavissati, that there will be a shower of meteors, a blaze in the sky, an earthquake, thunder;

candimasūriyanakkhattānam uggamanam ogamanam samkilesam vodānam bhavissati, a rising, setting, darkening, brightening of the moon, the sun, the stars;

evamvipāko candaggāho bhavissati, evamvipāko sūriyaggāho bhavissati, evamvipāko nakkhattaggāho bhavissati.

and 'such will be the outcome of these things',

evamvipākam candimasūriyānam pathagamanam bhavissati,

evamvipākam candimasūriyānam uppathagamanam bhavissati,

evamvipākam nakkhattānam pathagamanam bhavissati,

evamvipākam nakkhattānam uppathagamanam bhavissati,

evamvipāko ukkāpāto bhavissati, evamvipāko disādāho bhavissati, evamvipāko bhūmicālo bhavissati, evamvipāko devadudrabhi bhavissati, evamvipākam candimasūriyanakkhattānam uggamanam ogamanam samkilesam vodānam bhavissati

iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

209.

"yathā vā paneke bhonto samanabrāhmanā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

seyyathidam — suvutthikā bhavissati, dubbutthikā bhavissati, such as predicting good or bad rainfall;

## subhikkham bhavissati, dubbhikkham bhavissati, a good or bad harvest;

## khemam bhavissati, bhayam bhavissati, security, danger;

## rogo bhavissati, ārogyam bhavissati,

## disease, health;

## muddā, gaṇanā, saṅkhānam, kāveyyam, lokāyatam

or accounting, computing, calculating, poetic composition, philosophising,

## iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā paṭivirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

 $210._{1.26}$ 

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitaṃ kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

## seyyathidam — āvāhanam vivāhanam samvaraṇam vivaraṇam saṅkiraṇam vikiraṇam such as arranging the giving and taking in marriage, engagements and divorces;

## subhagakaraṇaṃ dubbhagakaraṇaṃ viruddhagabbhakaraṇaṃ jivhānibandhanaṃ hanusamhananam

[declaring the time for] saving and spending, bringing good or bad luck, procuring abortions, using spells to bind the tongue, binding the jaw,

## hatthābhijappanam hanujappanam kannajappanam ādāsapanham

making the hands jerk, causing deafness, getting answers with a mirror,

## kumārikapañham devapañham ādiccupaṭṭhānam mahatupaṭṭhānam abbhujjalanam sirivhāvanam

a girl-medium, a deva; worshipping the sun or Great Brahma, breathing fire, invoking the goddess of luck,

### iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

211. 1.27.

## "yathā vā paneke bhonto samaṇabrāhmaṇā saddhādeyyāni bhojanāni bhuñjitvā te evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvena jīvitam kappenti.

"'Whereas some ascetics and Brahmins, feeding on the food of the faithful, make their living by base arts and wrong means of livelihood,

## seyyathidam — santikammam paṇidhikammam bhūtakammam bhūrikammam vassakammam vossakammam

such as appeasing the devas and redeeming vows to them, making earth-house spells, causing virility or impotence,

## vatthukammam vatthuparikammam ācamanam nhāpanam juhanam vamanam virecanam uddhamvirecanam adhovirecanam sīsavirecanam

preparing and consecrating building-sites, giving ritual rinsings and bathings, making sacrifices, giving emetics, purges, expectorants and phlegmagogues,

## kaṇṇatelaṃ nettatappanaṃ natthukammaṃ añjanaṃ paccañjanaṃ sālākiyaṃ sallakattiyaṃ giving ear-, eve-, nose-medicine, ointments and counter-ointments, eve-surgery, surgery,

## dārakatikicchā, mūlabhesajjānam anuppadānam, osadhīnam paṭimokkho pediatry, using balms to counter the side-effects of previous remedies,

#### iti vā iti evarūpāya tiracchānavijjāya micchājīvā pativirato hoti.

he refrains from such base arts and wrong means of livelihood.'

#### idampissa hoti sīlasmim.

Thus he is accomplished in morality.

212.

## "sa kho so, potthapāda, bhikkhu evam sīlasampanno na kutoci bhayam samanupassati, yadidam sīlasamvarato.

'And then, Potthapāda, that monk who is perfected in morality sees no danger from any side owing to his being restrained by morality.

seyyathāpi — potthapāda, rājā khattiyo muddhābhisitto nihatapaccāmitto na kutoci bhayam samanupassati, yadidam paccatthikato; evameva kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu evam sīlasampanno na kutoci bhayam samanupassati, yadidam sīlasamvarato.

Just as a duly-anointed Khattiya king, having conquered his enemies, by that very fact sees no danger from any side, so the monk, on account of his morality, sees no danger anywhere.

so iminā ariyena sīlakkhandhena samannāgato ajjhattam anavajjasukham paṭisamvedeti. He experiences in himself the blameless bliss that comes from maintaining this Ariyan morality.

evam kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu sīlasampanno hoti.

In this way, Potthapāda, he is perfected in morality.

213.

"kathañca, potthapāda, bhikkhu indriyesu guttadvāro hoti?

'And how, Potthapada, is he a guardian of the sense-doors?

idha, potthapāda, bhikkhu cakkhunā rūpam disvā na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

Here a monk, on seeing a visible object with the eye, does not grasp at its major signs or secondary

characteristics

yatvādhikaraṇamenam cakkhundriyam asamvutam viharantam abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyum,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this eye-faculty unguarded,

tassa saṃvarāya paṭipajjati, rakkhati cakkhundriyaṃ, cakkhundriye saṃvaraṃ āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the eye-faculty, develops restraint of the eye-faculty.

sotena saddam sutvā na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

On hearing a sound with the ear, does not grasp at its major signs or secondary characteristics.

yatvādhikaranamenam sotindriyam asamvutam viharantam abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyum,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this ear-faculty unguarded,

tassa saṃvarāya patipajjati, rakkhati sotindriyaṃ, sotindriye saṃvaraṃ āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the ear-faculty, develops restraint of the ear-faculty.

ghānena gandham ghāyitvā na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

On smelling an odour with the nose, does not grasp at its major signs or secondary characteristics.

yatvādhikaraṇamenam ghānindriyam asamvutam viharantam abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyum,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this nose-faculty unguarded,

tassa saṃvarāya paṭipajjati, rakkhati ghānindriyaṃ, ghānindriye saṃvaraṃ āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the nose-faculty, develops restraint of the nose-faculty.

jivhāya rasam sāyitvā na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

On tasting a flavour with the tongue, does not grasp at its major signs or secondary characteristics.

yatvādhikaraṇamenaṃ jivhindriyaṃ asaṃvutaṃ viharantaṃ abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyuṃ,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this tongue-faculty unguarded,

tassa samvarāya paṭipajjati, rakkhati jivhindriyam, jivhindriye samvaram āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the tongue-faculty, develops restraint of the tongue-faculty.

kāyena photthabbam phusitvā na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

On feeling an object with the body, does not grasp at its major signs or secondary characteristics.

yatvādhikaraṇamenaṃ kāyindriyaṃ asaṃvutaṃ viharantaṃ abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyuṃ,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this body-faculty unguarded,

tassa saṃvarāya paṭipajjati, rakkhati kāyindriyam, kāyindriye saṃvaram āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the body-faculty, develops restraint of the body-faculty.

manasā dhammam viññāya na nimittaggāhī hoti nānubyañjanaggāhī.

On thinking a thought with the mind, he does not grasp at its major signs or secondary characteristics.

yatvādhikaraṇamenam manindriyam asaṃvutaṃ viharantaṃ abhijjhā domanassā pāpakā akusalā dhammā anvāssaveyyum,

Because greed and sorrow, evil unskilled states, would overwhelm him if he dwelt leaving this mind-faculty unguarded,

tassa saṃvarāya paṭipajjati, rakkhati manindriyaṃ, manindriye saṃvaraṃ āpajjati. so he practises guarding it, he protects the mind-faculty, develops restraint of the mind-faculty.

so iminā ariyena indriyasaṃvarena samannāgato ajjhattaṃ abyāsekasukhaṃ paṭisaṃvedeti. He experiences within himself the blameless bliss that comes from maintaining this Ariyan guarding of the faculties.

evam kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu indriyesu guttadvāro hoti.

In this way, Potthapāda, a monk is a guardian of the sense-doors.

214.

"kathañca, potthapāda, bhikkhu satisampajaññena samannāgato hoti? 'And how, Potthapāda, is a monk accomplished in mindfulness and clear awareness?

idha, potthapāda, bhikkhu abhikkante paṭikkante sampajānakārī hoti, Here a monk acts with clear awareness in going forth and back,

ālokite vilokite sampajānakārī hoti,

in looking ahead or behind him,

samiñjite pasārite sampajānakārī hoti,

in bending and stretching,

sanghātipattacīvaradhārane sampajānakārī hoti.

in wearing his outer and inner robe and carrying his bowl,

asite pīte khāyite sāyite sampajānakārī hoti, in eating, drinking, chewing and swallowing,

uccārapassāvakamme sampajānakārī hoti,

in evacuating and urinating,

gate thite nisinne sutte jägarite bhäsite tunhībhāve sampajānakārī hoti.

in walking, standing, sitting, lying down, in waking, in speaking and in keeping silent he acts with clear awareness.

evam kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu satisampajaññena samannāgato hoti.

In this way, a monk is accomplished in mindfulness and clear awareness.

215. 66

"kathañca, potthapāda, bhikkhu santuttho hoti?

'And how is a monk contented?

idha, potthapāda, bhikkhu santuttho hoti kāyaparihārikena cīvarena,

Here, a monk is satisfied with a robe to protect his body,

kucchiparihārikena pindapātena.

with alms to satisfy his stomach,

so yena yeneva pakkamati, samādāyeva pakkamati.

and having accepted sufficient, he goes on his way.

seyyathāpi, potthapāda, pakkhī sakuno yena yeneva deti, sapattabhārova deti.

Just as a bird with wings flies hither and thither, burdened by nothing but its wings, so he is satisfied.

evameva kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu santuttho hoti kāyaparihārikena cīvarena

In this way, a monk is satisfied with a robe to protect his body,

kucchiparihārikena piņḍapātena.

with alms to satisfy his stomach,

so yena yeneva pakkamati, samādāyeva pakkamati.

and having accepted sufficient, he goes on his way.

evam kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu santuttho hoti.

In this way, Potthapāda, a monk is contented.

216. 67.

"so iminā ca ariyena sīlakkhandhena samannāgato,

'Then he, equipped with this Ariyan morality,

iminā ca ariyena indriyasamvarena samannāgato, with this Ariyan restraint of the senses,

iminā ca ariyena satisampajaññena samannāgato,

with this Ariyan mindfulness and awareness,

imāya ca ariyāya santuṭṭhiyā samannāgato, with this Ariyan contentment,

vivittam senāsanam bhajati araññam rukkhamūlam pabbatam kandaram giriguham susānam vanapattham abbhokāsam palālapunjam.

finds a solitary lodging, at the root of a forest tree, in a mountain cave or gorge, a charnel-ground, a jungle-thicket, or in the open air on a heap of straw.

so pacchābhattam piṇḍapātappaṭikkanto nisīdati pallaṅkam ābhujitvā ujum kāyam paṇidhāya parimukham satim upatthapetvā.

Then, having eaten after his return from the alms-round, he sits down cross-legged, holding his body erect, and concentrates on keeping mindfulness established before him.

217. 68.

"so abhijjham loke pahāya vigatābhijjhena cetasā viharati,

'Abandoning worldly desires, he dwells with a mind freed from worldly desires,

abhijjhāya cittam parisodheti.

and his mind is purified of worldly desire.

byāpādapadosam pahāya abyāpannacitto viharati

Abandoning ill-will and hatred, he dwells with a mind freed from ill-will and hatred,

sabbapānabhūtahitānukampī, byāpādapadosā cittam parisodheti.

and by compassionate love for the welfare of all living beings, his mind is purified of ill-will and hatred.

thinamiddham pahāya vigatathinamiddho viharati

Abandoning sloth-and-torpor, he dwells with a mind freed from sloth-and-torpor,

ālokasaññī, sato sampajāno, thinamiddhā cittam parisodheti.

perceiving light, mindful and clearly aware, his mind is purified of sloth-and-torpor.

uddhaccakukkuccam pahāya anuddhato viharati,

Abandoning worry-and-flurry, he dwells with a mind freed from worry-and-flurry,

ajjhattam vūpasantacitto, uddhaccakukkuccā cittam parisodheti.

and with an inwardly calmed mind his heart is purified of worry-and-flurry.

vicikiccham pahāya tinnavicikiccho viharati,

Abandoning doubt, he dwells with doubt left behind,

akathamkathī kusalesu dhammesu, vicikicchāya cittam parisodheti.

without uncertainty as to what things are wholesome, his mind is purified of doubt.

218.

"seyyathāpi, poṭṭhapāda, puriso iṇam ādāya kammante payojeyya.

'Just as a man who had taken a loan to develop his business,

tassa te kammantā samijjheyyum.

and whose efforts were successful,

so yāni ca porāṇāni iṇamūlāni, tāni ca byantiṃ kareyya, siyā cassa uttariṃ avasiṭṭhaṃ dārabharanāya.

might pay off his old debts, and with what was left over could support a wife,

tassa evamassa — 'aham kho pubbe inam ādāya kammante payojesim.

might think: "Before this I developed my business by borrowing,

tassa me te kammantā samijihimsu.

and those efforts were successful,

soham yāni ca porāṇāni iṇamūlāni, tāni ca byantim akāsim, atthi ca me uttarim avasiṭṭham dārabharanāyā'ti.

paid off old debts, and with what was left over could support a wife.",

so tatonidānam labhetha pāmojjam, adhigaccheyya somanassam. and he would rejoice and be glad about that.

219.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, puriso ābādhiko assa dukkhito bāļhagilāno;

'Just as a man who was ill, suffering, terribly sick,

bhattañcassa nacchādeyya, na cassa kāye balamattā.

with no appetite and weak in body,

so aparena samayena tamhā ābādhā mucceyya;

might after a time recover,

bhattam cassa chādeyya, siyā cassa kāye balamattā.

and regain his appetite and bodily strength,

tassa evamassa — 'aham kho pubbe ābādhiko ahosim dukkhito bāļhagilāno;

and he might think: "Before this I was ill, suffering, terribly sick,

bhattañca me nacchādesi, na ca me āsi kāye balamattā.

with no appetite and weak in body,

somhi etarahi tamhā ābādhā mutto;

might after a time recover,

bhattañca me chādeti, atthi ca me kāye balamattā'ti.

and regain his appetite and bodily strength.",

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so tatonidānam labhetha pāmojjam, adhigaccheyya somanassam. and he would rejoice and be glad about that.

220. 71.

"seyyathāpi, poṭṭhapāda, puriso bandhanāgāre baddho assa.

'Just as a man might be bound in prison,

so aparena samayena tamhā bandhanāgārā mucceyya sotthinā abbhayena, and after a time he might be freed from his bonds without any loss,

na cassa kiñci bhogānam vayo.

with no deduction from his possessions.

tassa evamassa — 'aham kho pubbe bandhanāgāre baddho ahosim,

He might think: "Before this I was in prison,

somhi etarahi tamhā bandhanāgārā mutto sotthinā abbhayena.

and after a time I was freed from bonds without any loss,

natthi ca me kiñci bhogānam vayo'ti.

with no deduction from my possessions.",

so tatonidānam labhetha pāmojjam, adhigaccheyya somanassam. and he would rejoice and be glad about that.

221.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, puriso dāso assa anattādhīno parādhīno na yenakāmaṃgamo.

"Just as a man might be a slave, not his own master, dependent on another, unable to go where he liked,

so aparena samayena tamhā dāsabyā mucceyya attādhīno aparādhīno bhujisso yenakāmamgamo.

and after some time he might be freed from slavery, able to go where he liked,

tassa evamassa — 'aham kho pubbe dāso ahosim anattādhīno parādhīno na yenakāmamgamo. might think: "Before this I was a slave, not my own master, dependent on another, unable to go where I liked,

somhi etarahi tamhā dāsabyā mutto attādhīno aparādhīno bhujisso yenakāmaṃgamo'ti. and after some time I was freed from slavery, able to go where I liked,

so tatonidānam labhetha pāmojjam, adhigaccheyya somanassam.

" And he would rejoice and be glad about that.

222. 73.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, puriso sadhano sabhogo kantāraddhānamaggam paṭipajjeyya dubbhikkham sappatibhayam.

'Just as a man, laden with goods and wealth, might go on a long journey through the desert where food was scarce and danger abounded,

so aparena samayena tam kantāram nitthareyya sotthinā, gāmantam anupāpuņeyya khemam appatibhayam.

and after a time he would get through the desert and arrive safe and sound at the edge of a village,

tassa evamassa — 'aham kho pubbe sadhano sabhogo kantāraddhānamaggam paṭipajjim dubbhikkham sappatibhayam.

might think: "Before this I was laden with goods and wealth, on a long journey through the desert where food was scarce and danger abounded,

somhi etarahi tam kantāram nitthinno sotthinā, gāmantam anuppatto khemam appatibhayan'ti. now I am through the desert and have arrived safe at the edge of a village.",

so tatonidānam labhetha pāmojjam, adhigaccheyya somanassam.

and he would rejoice and be glad about that.

223.

"evameva kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu yathā iṇaṃ yathā rogaṃ yathā bandhanāgāraṃ yathā dāsabyaṃ yathā kantāraddhānamaggaṃ, evaṃ ime pañca nīvaraṇe appahīne attani samanupassati.

'As long, Potthapāda, as a monk does not perceive the disappearance of the five hindrances in himself, he feels as if in debt, in sickness, in bonds, in slavery, on a desert journey.

224.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, yathā āṇaṇyaṃ yathā ārogyaṃ yathā bandhanāmokkhaṃ yathā bhujissaṃ yathā khemantabhūmiṃ; evameva kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu ime pañca nīvaraṇe pahīne attani samanupassati.

But when he perceives the disappearance of the five hindrances in himself, it is as if he were freed from debt, from sickness, from bonds, from slavery, from the perils of the desert.

75.

"tassime pañcanīvaraņe pahīne attani samanupassato pāmojjam jāyati, pamuditassa pīti jāyati, pītimanassa kāyo passambhati, passaddhakāyo sukham vedeti, sukhino cittam samādhiyati.

'And when he knows that these five hindrances have left him, gladness arises in him, from gladness comes delight, from the delight in his mind his body is tranquillised, with a tranquil body he feels joy, and with joy his mind is concentrated.

## so vivicceva kāmehi, vivicca akusalehi dhammehi, savitakkam savicāram vivekajam pītisukham pathamam jhānam upasampajja viharati.

Being thus detached from sense-desires, detached from unwholesome states, he enters and remains in the first jhāna, which is with thinking and pondering, born of detachment, filled with delight and joy.

#### tassa yā purimā kāmasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

And whatever sensations of lust that he previously had disappear.

### vivekajapītisukhasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

vivekajapītisukhasukhuma-saccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

At that time there is present a true but subtle perception of delight and happiness, born of detachment, and he becomes one who is conscious of this delight and happiness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayam sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training', said the Lord.

11.

# "puna caparam, potthapāda, bhikkhu vitakkavicārānam vūpasamā ajjhattam sampasādanam cetaso ekodibhāvam avitakkam avicāram samādhijam pītisukham dutiyam jhānam upasampajja viharati.

'Again, a monk, with the subsiding of thinking and pondering, by gaining inner tranquillity and unity of mind, reaches and remains in the second jhāna, which is free from thinking and pondering, born of concentration, filled with delight and happiness.

#### tassa yā purimā vivekajapītisukhasukhumasaccasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

His former true but subtle perception of delight and happiness born of detachment vanishes.

### samādhijapītisukhasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

#### samādhijapītisukhasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

At that time there arises a true but subtle perception of delight and happiness born of concentration, and he becomes one who is conscious of this delight and happiness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training, said the Lord.

12

## "puna caparam, potthapāda, bhikkhu pītiyā ca virāgā upekkhako ca viharati sato ca sampajāno, sukhañca kāyena patisamvedeti, yam tam ariyā ācikkhanti:

Again, after the fading away of delight he dwells in equanimity, mindful and clearly aware, and he experiences in his body that pleasant feeling of which the Noble Ones say:

### "upekkhako satimā sukhavihārī"ti, tatiyam jhānam upasampajja viharati.

"Happy dwells the man of equanimity and mindfulness", and he reaches and remains in the third jhāna.

#### tassa yā purimā samādhijapītisukhasukhumasaccasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

His former true but subtle sense of delight and happiness born of concentration vanishes,

#### upekkhāsukhasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

#### upekkhāsukhasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

and there arises at that time a true but subtle sense of equanimity and happiness, and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle sense of equanimity and happiness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training', said the Lord.

13

# "puna caparam, potṭḥapāda, bhikkhu sukhassa ca pahānā dukkhassa ca pahānā pubbeva somanassadomanassānam atthangamā adukkhamasukham upekkhāsatipārisuddhim catuttham jhānam upasampajja viharati.

'Again, with the abandonment of pleasure and pain, and with the disappearance of previous joy and grief, he reaches and remains in the fourth jhana, a state beyond pleasure and pain, purified by equanimity and mindfulness.

#### tassa yā purimā upekkhāsukhasukhumasaccasaññā, sā nirujihati.

His former true but subtle sense of equanimity and happiness vanishes,

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#### adukkhamasukhasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

and there arises a true but subtle sense of neither happiness nor unhappiness,

#### adukkhamasukhasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle sense of neither happiness nor unhappiness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training', said the Lord.

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# "puna caparam, poṭṭhapāda, bhikkhu sabbaso rūpasaññānam samatikkamā paṭighasaññānam atthangamā nānattasaññānam amanasikārā 'ananto ākāso'ti ākāsānañcāyatanam upasampajja viharati.

Again, by passing entirely beyond bodily sensations, by the disappearance of all sense of resistance and by non-attraction to the perception of diversity, seeing that space is boundless, he reaches and remains in the sphere of boundless space.

#### tassa yā purimā rūpasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

His former perception of form vanishes,

#### ākāsānañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

and there arises a true but subtle perception of the sphere of boundless space,

#### ākāsānañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle sense of the sphere of boundless space.

### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training, said the Lord.

15.

## "puna caparam, poṭṭhapāda, bhikkhu sabbaso ākāsānañcāyatanam samatikkamma 'anantam viññāṇan'ti viññāṇañcāyatanam upasampajja viharati.

'Again, by passing entirely beyond the sphere of boundless space, seeing that consciousness is boundless, he reaches and remains in the sphere of boundless consciousness.

#### tassa yā purimā ākāsānañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

His former perception of the sphere of boundless space vanishes,

#### viññānañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

and there arises a true but subtle perception of the sphere of boundless consciousness,

### viññāṇañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle sense of the sphere of boundless consciousness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training, said the Lord.

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## "puna caparam, potthapāda, bhikkhu sabbaso viññāṇañcāyatanam samatikkamma 'natthi kiñcī'ti ākiñcaññāyatanam upasampajja viharati.

'Again, by passing entirely beyond the sphere of infinite consciousness, seeing that there is no thing, he reaches and remains in the sphere of no-thingness, and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle perception of the sphere of no-thingness.

#### tassa yā purimā viññāṇañcāyatanasukhumasaccasaññā, sā nirujjhati.

His former perception of the sphere of boundless consciousness vanishes,

#### ākiñcaññāyatanasukhumasaccasaññā tasmim samaye hoti,

and there arises a true but subtle perception of the sphere of no-thingness,

#### ākiñcaññāyatanasukhumasaccasaññīyeva tasmim samaye hoti.

and he becomes one who is conscious of this true but subtle sense of the sphere of no-thingness.

#### evampi sikkhā ekā saññā uppajjati, sikkhā ekā saññā nirujjhati.

In this way some perceptions arise through training, and some pass away through training.

#### ayampi sikkhā"ti bhagavā avoca.

And this is that training', said the Lord.

414.

#### "yato kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu idha sakasaññī hoti,

'Potthapada, from the moment when a monk has gained this controlled perception,

#### so tato amutra tato amutra anupubbena saññaggam phusati.

he proceeds from stage to stage till he reaches the limit of perception.

#### tassa saññagge thitassa evam hoti:

When he has reached the limit of perception it occurs to him:

### 'cetayamānassa me pāpiyo, acetayamānassa me seyyo.

"Mental activity is worse for me, lack of mental activity is better.

## ahañceva kho pana ceteyyam, abhisankhareyyam, imā ca me saññā nirujjheyyum, aññā ca oļārikā saññā uppajjeyyum;

If I were to think and imagine, these perceptions [that I have attained] would cease, and coarser perceptions would arise in me.

### yamnūnāham na ceva ceteyyam na ca abhisankhareyyan'ti.

Suppose I were not to think or imagine?'

### so na ceva ceteti, na ca abhisankharoti.

So he neither thinks nor imagines.

## tassa acetayato anabhisankharoto tā ceva saññā nirujjhanti, aññā ca oļārikā saññā na uppajjanti.

And then, in him, just these perceptions arise, but other, coarser perceptions do not arise.

#### so nirodham phusati.

He attains cessation.

#### evam kho, potthapāda, anupubbābhisaññānirodha-sampajāna-samāpatti hoti.

And that, Potthapāda, is the way in which the cessation of perception is brought about by successive steps.

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## "tam kim maññasi, poṭṭhapāda,

What do you think, Potthapāda?

## api nu te ito pubbe evarūpā anupubbābhisaññānirodha-sampajāna-samāpatti sutapubbā"ti? Have you heard of this before?'

#### "no hetam, bhante.

'No, Lord.

#### evam kho aham, bhante, bhagavato bhāsitam ājānāmi:

As I understand it, the Lord has said:

#### 'yato kho, potthapāda, bhikkhu idha sakasaññī hoti,

"Potthapāda, from the moment when a monk has gained this controlled perception,

#### so tato amutra tato amutra anupubbena saññaggam phusati,

he proceeds from stage to stage till he reaches the limit of perception.

#### tassa saññagge thitassa evam hoti:

When he has reached the limit of perception it occurs to him:

#### "cetayamānassa me pāpiyo, acetayamānassa me seyyo.

"Mental activity is worse for me, lack of mental activity is better.

## ahañceva kho pana ceteyyam abhisankhareyyam, imā ca me saññā nirujjheyyum, aññā ca olārikā saññā uppajjeyyum;

If I were to think and imagine, these perceptions [that I have attained] would cease, and coarser perceptions would arise in me.

#### yamnūnāham na ceva ceteyyam, na ca abhisankhareyyan"ti.

Suppose I were not to think or imagine?"

#### so na ceva ceteti, na cābhisankharoti,

So he neither thinks nor imagines.

## tassa acetayato anabhisankharoto tā ceva saññā nirujjhanti, aññā ca oļārikā saññā na uppajjanti.

And then, in him, just these perceptions arise, but other, coarser perceptions do not arise.

#### so nirodham phusati.

He attains cessation.

#### evam kho, potthapāda, anupubbābhisaññānirodha-sampajāna-samāpatti hotī"ti.

And that, Potthapada, is the way in which the cessation of perception is brought about by successive steps."'

### "evam, potthapādā"ti.

'That is right, Potthapāda.'

415.

## "ekaññeva nu kho, bhante, bhagavā saññaggam paññapeti, udāhu puthūpi saññagge paññapeti"ti?

'Lord, do you teach that the summit of perception is just one, or that it is many?'

<sup>&</sup>quot;ekampi kho aham, potthapāda, saññaggam paññapemi, puthūpi saññagge paññapemī"ti. 'I teach it as both one and many.'

"yathā katham pana, bhante, bhagavā ekampi saññaggam paññapeti, puthūpi saññagge paññapetī"ti?

'Lord, how is it one, and how is it many?'

"yathā yathā kho, poṭṭhapāda, nirodhaṃ phusati, tathā tathāhaṃ saññaggaṃ paññapemi. 'According as he attains successively to the cessation of each perception, so I teach the summit of that perception:

evam kho aham, potthapāda, ekampi saññaggam paññapemi, puthūpi saññagge paññapemī"ti. thus I teach both one summit of perception, and I also teach many.'

416.

"saññā nu kho, bhante, paṭhamaṃ uppajjati, pacchā ñāṇaṃ, udāhu ñāṇaṃ paṭhamaṃ uppajjati, pacchā saññā, udāhu saññā ca ñāṇañca apubbaṃ acarimaṃ uppajjantī"ti?

"Lord, does perception arise before knowledge, or knowledge arise before perception, or do both arise simultaneously?

"saññā kho, potthapāda, pathamam uppajjati, pacchā ñānam, saññuppādā ca pana ñānuppādo hoti.

hoti.
'Perception arises first, Potthapāda, then knowledge, and from the arising of perception comes the arising of knowledge.

so evam pajānāti:

And one knows:

'idappaccayā kira me ñāṇaṃ udapādī'ti.

"Thus conditioned, knowledge arises."

iminā kho etam, potthapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam -

In this way you can see how

yathā saññā paṭhamaṃ uppajjati, pacchā ñāṇaṃ, saññuppādā ca pana ñāṇuppādo hotī"ti.

perception arises first, and then knowledge, and that from the arising of perception comes the arising of knowledge.'

417.

"saññā nu kho, bhante, purisassa attā, udāhu aññā saññā añño attā"ti?

'Lord, is perception a person's self, or is perception one thing, and self another?'

"kam pana tvam, potthapāda, attānam paccesī"ti?

'Well, Potthapāda, do you postulate a self?'

"olārikam kho aham, bhante, attānam paccemi rūpim cātumahābhūtikam kabalīkārāhārabhakkhan"ti.

'Lord, I postulate a gross self, material, composed of the four elements, and feeding on solid food.'

"olāriko ca hi te, potthapāda, attā abhavissa rūpī cātumahābhūtiko kabalīkārāhārabhakkho. But with such a gross self, Potthapāda, composed of the four elements, and feeding on solid food.

evam santam kho te, poṭṭhapāda, aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā.

In that case, perception would be one thing, and the self another.

tadamināpetam, potthapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam yathā aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā. Here is another way to understand how perception and self are different things.

titthateva sāyam, potthapāda, olāriko attā rūpī cātumahābhūtiko kabalīkārāhārabhakkho, As long as that gross self persists, composed of the four elements, and feeding on solid food,

atha imassa purisassa aññā ca saññā uppajjanti, aññā ca saññā nirujjhanti.

certain perceptions would arise in a person, and others pass away.

iminā kho etam, poṭṭhapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam yathā aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā"ti.

In this way you can see that perception must be one thing, the self another.'

418.

"manomayam kho aham, bhante, attānam paccemi sabbangapaccangim ahīnindriyan"ti. 'Lord, I postulate a mind-made self complete with all its parts, not defective in any sense-organ.'

"manomayo ca hi te, potthapāda, attā abhavissa sabbangapaccangī ahīnindriyo, 'But with such a mind-made self, Poṭṭhapāda, complete with all its parts, not defective in any sense-organ.

evam santampi kho te, potthapāda, aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā. In that case, perception would be one thing, and the self another.

tadamināpetam, potthapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam yathā aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā. Here is another way to understand how perception and self are different things.

tiṭṭhateva sāyam, poṭṭhapāda, manomayo attā sabbaṅgapaccaṅgī ahīnindriyo,

As long as that mind-made self persists, complete with all its parts, not defective in any sense-organ,

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In this way you can see that perception must be one thing, the self another.'

419.

"arūpim kho aham, bhante, attānam paccemi saññāmayan"ti.

'Lord, I assume a formless self, made up of perception.

"arūpī ca hi te, potthapāda, attā abhavissa saññāmayo,

But with such a formless self, potthapāda, made up of perception.

evam santampi kho te, potthapāda, aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā.

In that case, perception would be one thing, and the self another.

tadamināpetam, potthapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam yathā aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā. Here is another way to understand how perception and self are different things.

titthateva sāyam, potthapāda, arūpī attā saññāmayo,

As long as that formless self persists, made up of perception,

atha imassa purisassa aññā ca saññā uppajjanti, aññā ca saññā nirujjhanti.

certain perceptions would arise in a person, and others pass away.

imināpi kho etam, poṭṭhapāda, pariyāyena veditabbam yathā aññāva saññā bhavissati añño attā"ti.

In this way you can see that perception must be one thing, the self another.'

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"sakkā panetam, bhante, mayā ñātum:

'But Lord, is it possible for me to know whether:

'saññā purisassa attā'ti vā 'aññāva saññā añño attāti vā'ti?

perception is a person's self, or whether perception is one thing, and self another?'

"dujjānam kho etam, potthapāda, tayā aññaditthikena aññakhantikena aññarucikena aññatrāyogena aññatrācariyakena:

'Potthāpada, it is difficult for one of different views, a different faith, under different influences, with different pursuits and a different training to know whether:

'saññā purisassa attā'ti vā, 'aññāva saññā añño attāti vā'"ti.

perception is a person's self, or whether perception is one thing, and self another?'

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"sace tam, bhante, mayā dujjānam aññadiṭṭhikena aññakhantikena aññarucikena aññatrāyogena aññatrācariyakena:

Well, Lord, if this question of self and perceptions is difficult for one of different views, a different faith, under different influences, with different pursuits and a different training to know whether:

'sañña purisassa atta'ti va, 'aññava sañña añño atta'ti va;

perception is a person's self, or whether perception is one thing, and self another?'

'kim pana, bhante, sassato loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan'ti?

Then, is the world eternal? Is only this true and the opposite false?'

abyākatam kho etam, potthapāda, mayā:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'sassato loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan'ti.

'The world is eternal. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false.'

"kim pana, bhante, 'asassato loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan" ti?

'Well, Lord, is the world not eternal? Is only this true and the opposite false?'

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'asassato loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti.

'The world is not eternal. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false."

"kim pana, bhante, 'antavā loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan""ti?

'Well, Lord, is the world infinite? Is only this true and the opposite false?

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'antavā loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti

'The world is infinite. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false.'

"kim pana, bhante, 'anantavā loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan"ti? Well, Lord, is the world not infinite? Is only this true and the opposite false?'

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'anantavā loko, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti

'The world is not infinite. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false.'

- "kim pana, bhante, 'tam jīvam tam sarīram, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti? Well, Lord, is the soul the same as the body, Is only this true and the opposite false?'
- "etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'tam jīvam tam sarīram, idameva saccam moghamaññan'''ti
'The soul the same as the body. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false.''

"kim pana, bhante, 'aññam jīvam aññam sarīram, idameva saccam moghamaññan""ti? Well, Lord, is the soul one thing and the body another? Is only this true and the opposite false?'

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'aññaṃ jīvaṃ aññaṃ sarīraṃ, idameva saccaṃ moghamaññan'"ti

'The soul is one thing and the body another. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false."

"kim pana, bhante, 'hoti tathāgato param maranā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti? Well, Lord, does the Tathāgata exists after death? Is only this true and all else false?'

"etampi kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā abyākataṃ:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'hoti tathāgato param maranā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'''ti 'The Tathāgata exists after death. Only this is true and that the opposite view is false.''

"kim pana, bhante, 'na hoti tathāgato param maranā, idameva saccam moghamaññan" 'ti? Well, Lord, does the Tathāgata not exist after death? Is only this true and the opposite false?'

"etampi kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'na hoti tathāgato param maranā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti 'The Tathāgata does not exist after death. Only this true and the opposite false?''

"kiṃ pana, bhante, 'hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā, idameva saccaṃ moghamaññan'"ti?

"Well, Lord, does the Tathāgata both exist and not exist after death?" Is only this true and the opposite false?"

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam:

'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato param maraṇā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti 'The Tathāgata both exists and does not exist after death. Only this true and the opposite false?'

"kim pana, bhante, 'neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato param maraṇā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'"ti?

'Well, Lord, does the Tathāgata neither exist nor not exist after death?' Is only this true and the opposite false?'

"etampi kho, potthapāda, mayā abyākatam: 'Potthapāda, I have not declared,

'neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato param maranā, idameva saccam moghamaññan'''ti.

'The Tathāgata neither exists nor does not exist after death. Only this true and the opposite false?'

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"kasmā panetam, bhante, bhagavatā abyākatan"ti?

'But, Lord, why has the Lord not declared these things?'

"na hetam, potthapāda, atthasamhitam na dhammasamhitam nādibrahmacariyakam, 'Poṭṭhāpada, that is not conducive to the purpose, not conducive to Dhamma, not the way to embark on the holy life;

na nibbidāya na virāgāya na nirodhāya na upasamāya na abhiññāya na sambodhāya na nibbānāya saṃvattati,

it does not lead to disenchantment, to dispassion, to cessation, to calm, to higher knowledge, to enlightenment, to Nibbāna.

tasmā etam mavā abvākatan"ti.

That is why I have not declared it.'

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"kim pana, bhante, bhagavatā byākatan"ti?
"But. Lord. what has the Lord declared?"

"idam dukkhanti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā byākatam.

'Potthapāda, I have declared: "This is suffering,

ayam dukkhasamudayoti kho, potthapāda, mayā byākatam.

this is the origin of suffering,

ayam dukkhanirodhoti kho, potthapāda, mayā byākatam.

this is the cessation of suffering,

ayam dukkhanirodhagāminī paṭipadāti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā byākatan"ti. and this is the path leading to the cessation of suffering."

"kasmā panetam, bhante, bhagavatā byākatan"ti?

'But, Lord, why has the Lord declared this?

"etañhi, potthapāda, atthasaṃhitaṃ, etaṃ dhammasaṃhitaṃ, etaṃ ādibrahmacariyakaṃ, Because, Poṭṭhapāda, this is conducive to the purpose, conducive to Dhamma, the way to embark on the holy life:

etam nibbidāya virāgāya nirodhāya upasamāya abhiññāya sambodhāya nibbānāya samvattati; it leads to disenchantment, to dispassion, to cessation, to calm, to higher knowledge, to enlightenment, to Nibbāna.

tasmā etam mayā byākatan"ti.

That is why I have declared it.

"evametam, bhagavā, evametam, sugata. 'So it is, Lord, so it is, Well-Farer.

yassadāni, bhante, bhagavā kālam maññatī''ti.

And now is the time for the Blessed Lord to do as he sees fit.'

atha kho bhagavā utthāyāsanā pakkāmi.

Then the Lord rose from his seat and went away.

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atha kho te paribbājakā acirapakkantassa bhagavato poṭṭhapādaṃ paribbājakaṃ samantato vācā sannitodakena sañjhabbharimakamsu:

Then the wanderers, as soon as the Lord had left, reproached, sneered and jeered at Potthapāda from all sides, saying:

"evameva panāyam bhavam poṭṭhapādo yaññadeva samano gotamo bhāsati, tam tadevassa abbhanumodati:

'Whatever the ascetic Gotama says, Potthapāda agrees with him:

'evametam bhagavā evametam, sugatā'ti.

"So it is, Lord, so it is, Well-Farer!

na kho pana mayam kiñci samanassa gotamassa ekamsikam dhammam desitam ājānāma: We understand that the ascetic Gotama didn't make any definitive statement at all regarding whether:

'sassato loko'ti vā, 'asassato loko'ti vā,

"Is the world eternal or not?

'antavā loko'ti vā, 'anantavā loko'ti vā,

- Is it finite or infinite?

'tam jīvam tam sarīran'ti vā, 'aññam jīvam aññam sarīran'ti vā,

- Is the soul the same as the body or different?

'hoti tathāgato param maranā'ti vā, 'na hoti tathāgato param maranā'ti vā,

Does the Tathāgata exist after death or not,

'hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā'ti vā, 'neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā'ti vā''ti.

or both, or neither?"'

evam vutte potthapādo paribbājako te paribbājake etadavoca: Potthapāda replied:

"ahampi kho, bho, na kiñci samanassa gotamassa ekamsikam dhammam desitam ājānāmi:

'I too understand that the ascetic Gotama didn't make any definitive statement at all regarding whether:

'sassato loko'ti vā, 'asassato loko'ti vā,

"Is the world eternal or not?

'antavā loko'ti vā, 'anantavā loko'ti vā,

— Is it finite or infinite?

'tam jīvam tam sarīran'ti vā, 'aññam jīvam aññam sarīran'ti vā,

Is the soul the same as the body or different?

'hoti tathāgato param maranā'ti vā, 'na hoti tathāgato param maranā'ti vā,

— Does the Tathagata exist after death or not,

'hoti ca na ca hoti tathagato param marana'ti va, 'neva hoti na na hoti tathagato param maranā'ti vā"ti;

or both, or neither?"'

api ca samano gotamo bhūtam taccham tatham patipadam paññapeti dhammatthitatam dhammaniyāmatam.

But the ascetic Gotama teaches a true and real way of practice which is consonant with Dhamma and grounded in Dhamma.

bhūtam kho pana taccham tatham patipadam paññapentassa dhammatthitatam dhammaniyamatam, kathañhi nama madiso viññu samanassa gotamassa subhasitam subhāsitato nābbhanumodeyyā"ti?

And why should not a man like me express approval of such a true and real practice, so well taught by the ascetic Gotama?'

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atha kho dvīhatīhassa accayena citto ca hatthisāriputto potthapādo ca paribbājako yena bhagayā tenupasankamimsu:

Two or three days later, Citta, the son of the elephant-trainer, went with Potthapada to see the Lord.

upasankamitvā citto hatthisāriputto bhagavantam abhivādetvā ekamantam nisīdi.

Citta prostrated himself before the Lord and sat down to one side.

potthapādo pana paribbājako bhagavatā saddhim sammodi.

Potthapada exchanged courtesies with the Lord, sat down to one side,

sammodanīvam katham sāranīvam vītisāretvā ekamantam nisīdi.

Having exchanged courtesies and greetings,

ekamantam nisinno kho potthapādo paribbājako bhagavantam etadavoca:

Potthapada sat to the side and told him what had happened:

"tadā mam, bhante, te paribbājakā acirapakkantassa bhagavato samantato vācāsannitodakena sañjhabbharimakamsu:

the wanderers, as soon as the Lord had left, reproached, sneered and jeered me from all sides, saying:

'evameva panāyam bhavam potthapādo yañnadeva samano gotamo bhāsati, tam tadevassa abbhanumodati:

Whatever the ascetic Gotama says, Potthapāda agrees with him:

'evametam bhagavā evametam sugatā"ti.

"So it is, Lord, so it is, Well-Farer!"

na kho pana mayam kiñci samanassa gotamassa ekamsikam dhammam desitam ājānāma: We understand that the ascetic Gotama didn't make any definitive statement at all regarding whether:

"sassato loko"ti vā, "asassato loko"ti vā,

"Is the world eternal or not?

"antavā loko"ti vā, "anantavā loko"ti vā,

— Is it finite or infinite?

"tam jīvam tam sarīran"ti vā, "aññam jīvam aññam sarīran"ti vā,

— Is the soul the same as the body or different?

"hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā, "na hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā,

Does the Tathāgata exist after death or not,

"hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā, "neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā'ti.

or both, or neither?"

evam vuttāham, bhante, te paribbājake etadavocam:

Then I replied:

'ahampi kho, bho, na kiñci samanassa gotamassa ekamsikam dhammam desitam ājānāmi:

'I too understand that the ascetic Gotama didn't make any definitive statement at all regarding whether:

"sassato loko"ti vā, "asassato loko"ti vā,

"Is the world eternal or not?

"antavā loko"ti vā, "anantavā loko"ti vā, — Is it finite or infinite?

"tam jīvam tam sarīran"ti vā, "aññam jīvam aññam sarīran"ti vā,

— Is the soul the same as the body or different?

"hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā, "na hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā,

– Does the Tathāgata exist after death or not,

"hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato param maranā"ti vā, "neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato param maraņā"ti vā;

or both, or neither?"'

api ca samano gotamo bhūtam taccham tatham paṭipadam paññapeti dhammaṭṭhitatam dhammaniyāmatam.

But the ascetic Gotama teaches a true and real way of practice which is consonant with Dhamma and grounded in Dhamma.

bhūtam kho pana taccham tatham paṭipadam paññapentassa dhammaṭṭhitatam dhammaniyāmatam, kathañhi nāma mādiso viññū samaṇassa gotamassa subhāsitam subhāsitato nābbhanumodeyyā"ti?

And why should not a man like me express approval of such a true and real practice, so well taught by the ascetic Gotama?'

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"sabbeva kho ete, potthapāda, paribbājakā andhā acakkhukā; tvaṃyeva nesaṃ eko cakkhumā. "Poṭṭhapāda, all those wanderers are blind and sightless, you alone among them are sighted.

ekaṃsikāpi hi kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā dhammā desitā paññattā;

Some things I have taught and pointed out, Potthāpada, as being certain,

anekaṃsikāpi hi kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā dhammā desitā paññattā.

And other things I have taught and pointed out, Potthāpada, as being uncertain.

"katame ca te, potthapāda, mayā anekamsikā dhammā desitā paññattā? Which are the things I have pointed out as uncertain?

'sassato loko'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekamsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The world is eternal.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'asassato loko'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The world is not eternal.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'antavā loko'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The world is infinite.". I have declared to be uncertain.

'anantavā loko'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The world is not infinite.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'tam jīvam tam sarīran'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekamsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The soul the same as the body.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'aññam jīvam aññam sarīran'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekamsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The soul is one thing and the body another.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'hoti tathāgato param maranā'ti kho, potthapāda, mayā anekamsiko dhammo desito paññatto; "The Tathāgata exists after death.", I have declared to be uncertain.

na hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā'ti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto;

"The Tathāgata does not exist after death.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'hoti ca na ca hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā'ti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto;

"The Tathagata both exists and does not exist after death.", I have declared to be uncertain.

'neva hoti na na hoti tathāgato paraṃ maraṇā'ti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā anekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto.

"The Tathagata neither exists nor does not exist after death.", I have declared to be uncertain.

"kasmā ca te, poṭṭhapāda, mayā anekaṃsikā dhammā desitā paññattā?

Why have I declared them to be uncertain?

na hete, potthapāda, atthasaṃhitā na dhammasaṃhitā na ādibrahmacariyakā

Because they are not conducive to the purpose, not conducive to Dhamma, not the way to embark on the holy

na nibbidāya na virāgāya na nirodhāya na upasamāya na abhiññāya na sambodhāya na nibbānāya samvattanti.

it does not lead to disenchantment, to dispassion, to cessation, to calm, to higher knowledge, to enlightenment, to Nibbāna.

tasmā te mayā anekamsikā dhammā desitā paññattā".

That is why I have declared them as uncertain.

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"katame ca te, poṭṭhapāda, mayā ekaṃsikā dhammā desitā paññattā?

"But what things have I pointed out as certain?

idam dukkhanti kho, potthapāda, mayā ekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto. "This is suffering, I have declared to be certain.

ayam dukkhasamudayoti kho, potthapāda, mayā ekaṃsiko dhammo desito paññatto. *This is the origin of suffering, I have declared to be certain.* 

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ayam dukkhanirodhoti kho, potthapāda, mayā ekamsiko dhammo desito paññatto.

This is the cessation of suffering, I have declared to be certain.

ayam dukkhanirodhagāminī paṭipadāti kho, poṭṭhapāda, mayā ekaṃsiko dhammo desito pañnatto.

This is the path leading to the cessation of suffering, I have declared to be certain."

"kasmā ca te, poṭṭhapāda, mayā ekaṃsikā dhammā desitā paññattā?

Why have I declared to them as certain?

ete, potthapāda, atthasamhitā, ete dhammasamhitā, ete ādibrahmacariyakā

Because they are conducive to the purpose, conducive to Dhamma, the way to embark on the holy life;

ete nibbidāya virāgāya nirodhāya upasamāya abhiññāya sambodhāya nibbānāya samvattanti. they lead to disenchantment, to dispassion, to cessation, to calm, to higher knowledge, to enlightenment, to

tasmā te mayā ekamsikā dhammā desitā paññattā.

That is why I have declared them as certain.

425. *34*.

"santi, potthapāda, eke samaṇabrāhmaṇā evaṃvādino evaṃdiṭṭhino:

'Potthapāda, there are some ascetics and Brahmins who declare this doctrin and view:

'ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maranā'ti.

'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.'

tyāham upasankamitvā evam vadāmi:

I approached them and asked

'saccam kira tumhe āyasmanto evamvādino evamditthino:

if this was indeed what they declared and believed,

"ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maranā'ti?

'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.'

te ce me evam putthā 'āmā'ti patijānanti.

and they replied: "Yes."

tyāhaṃ evaṃ vadāmi: Then I said:

'api pana tumhe āyasmanto ekantasukham lokam jānam passam viharathā'ti?

"Do you, friends, living in the world, know and see it as an entirely happy place?"

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No."

"tyāham evam vadāmi:

I said:

ʻapi pana tumhe āyasmanto ekam vā rattim ekam vā divasam upaḍḍham vā rattim upaḍḍham vā divasam ekantasukhim attānam sañjānāthā'ti?

"Have you ever experienced a single night or day, or half a night or day, that was entirely happy?"

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No."

tyāham evam vadāmi:

I said:

'api pana tumhe āyasmanto jānātha:

"Do you know:

"ayam maggo ayam paṭipadā ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāyā" ti?

a path or a practice whereby an entirely happy world might be brought about?

iti puṭṭhā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No."

"tyāhaṃ evaṃ vadāmi:

I said:

ʻapi pana tumhe āyasmanto yā tā devatā ekantasukham lokam upapannā, tāsam bhāsamānānam saddam sunātha:

"Have you heard the voices of deities who have been reborn in an entirely happy world, saying:

"suppaṭipannāttha, mārisā, ujuppaṭipannāttha, mārisā, ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāya; "Practice well, dear sirs, practice directly so as to realize an exclusively happy world.

mayampi hi, mārisā, evampatipannā ekantasukham lokam upapannā'ti?

For this is how we practiced, and we were reborn in an exclusively happy world"?'

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

Asked this, they replied: "No."

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"taṃ kiṃ maññasi, poṭṭhapāda,

What do you think, Poṭṭhapāda?

nanu evam sante tesam samanabrāhmaṇānam appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti? Such being the case, does not the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid?

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante tesam samaņabrāhmaņānam appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti.

"Clearly that's the case, sir, the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid."

426.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, puriso evam vadeyya:

'It is just as if a man were to say:

'ahaṃ yā imasmiṃ janapade janapadakalyāṇī, taṃ icchāmi taṃ kāmemī'ti.
"I am going to seek out and love the most beautiful girl in the country."

#### tamenam evam vadeyyum:

They might say to him:

'ambho purisa, yam tvam janapadakalyānim icchasi kāmesi, "Well, as to this most beautiful girl in the country,

jānāsi tam janapadakalyāṇim khattiyī vā brāhmaṇī vā vessī vā suddī vā'ti?

do you know whether she belongs to the Khattiya, the Brahmin, the merchant or the artisan class?"

iti puttho 'no'ti vadeyya.

and he would say: "No."

#### tamenam evam vadeyyum:

Then they might say:

ʻambho purisa, yam tvam janapadakalyānim icchasi kāmesi,

"Well, as to this most beautiful girl in the country,

jānāsi tam janapadakalyānim evamnāmā evamgottāti vā,

do you know her name, her clan,

dīghā vā rassā vā majjhimā vā

whether she is tall or short or of medium height,

kālī vā sāmā vā manguracchavī vāti,

whether she is dark or light-complexioned or sallow-skinned,

amukasmim gāme vā nigame vā nagare vā'ti?

or what village or town or city she comes from?"

iti puttho 'no'ti vadeyya.

and he would say: "No." tamenam evam vadeyyum:

And they might say:

'ambho purisa, yam tvam na jānāsi na passasi, tam tvam icchasi kāmesī'ti? "Well then, you don't know or see the one you seek for and desire?"

iti puttho 'āmā'ti vadeyya.

and he would say: "Yes."
"tam kim maññasi, potthapāda,

What do you think, Poṭṭhapāda?

nanu evam sante tassa purisassa appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti?

Does not the talk of that man turn out to be stupid?

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante tassa purisassa appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti.

"Certainly, Lord, the talk of that man turn out to be stupid."

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"evameva kho, potthapāda, ye te samaṇabrāhmaṇā evaṃvādino evaṃdiṭṭhino:

'And so it is, Potthapāda, with those same ascetics and Brahmins who declare this doctrin and view:

'ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maranā'ti.

'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.'

tyāham upasankamitvā evam vadāmi:

I approached them and asked

'saccam kira tumhe āyasmanto evamvādino evamditthino:

if this was indeed what they declared and believed,

"ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maranā" ti?

'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.'

te ce me evam putthā 'āmā'ti paṭijānanti. and they replied: "Yes."

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#### tvāham evam vadāmi:

Then I said:

'api pana tumhe āyasmanto ekantasukham lokam jānam passam viharathā'ti?
"Do you, friends, living in the world, know and see it as an entirely happy place?"

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No."

"tyāhaṃ evaṃ vadāmi:

'api pana tumhe āyasmanto ekam vā rattim ekam vā divasam upaḍḍham vā rattim upaḍḍham vā divasam ekantasukhim attānam sañjānāthā'ti?

"Have you ever experienced a single night or day, or half a night or day, that was entirely happy?"

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No."

tyāham evam vadāmi:

I said:

'api pana tumhe āyasmanto jānātha:

"Do you know:

"ayam maggo ayam paṭipadā ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāyā'ti?

a path or a practice whereby an entirely happy world might be brought about?

iti puțțhā 'no'ti vadanti.

and they replied: "No." "tyāhaṃ evaṃ vadāmi:

I said:

ʻapi pana tumhe āyasmanto yā tā devatā ekantasukham lokam upapannā, tāsam bhāsamānānam saddam sunātha:

"Have you heard the voices of deities who have been reborn in an entirely happy world, saying:

"suppaṭipannāttha, mārisā, ujuppaṭipannāttha, mārisā, ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāya; "Practice well, dear sirs, practice directly so as to realize an exclusively happy world.

mayampi hi, mārisā, evampaṭipannā ekantasukham lokam upapannā'"ti?

For this is how we practiced, and we were reborn in an exclusively happy world"?"

iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti.

Asked this, they replied: "No."

"tam kim maññasi, potthapāda,

What do you think, Potthapāda?

nanu evam sante tesam samanabrāhmanānam appātihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti? Such being the case, does not the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid?

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante tesam samanabrāhmanānam appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampaijatī"ti.

"Clearly that's the case, sir, the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid."

427. 37.

"seyyathāpi, potthapāda, puriso cātumahāpathe nissenim kareyya pāsādassa ārohaṇāya. 'It is just as if a man were to build a staircase for a palace at a crossroads.

tamenam evam vadeyyum:

People might say to him:

'ambho purisa, yassa tvam pāsādassa ārohanāya nissenim karosi,

"Well now, this staircase for a palace that you are building;

jānāsi tam pāsādam puratthimāya vā disāya dakkhināya vā disāya pacchimāya vā disāya uttarāya vā disāya ucco vā nīco vā majjhimo va'ti?

do you know whether the palace will face east, or west, or north or south, or whether it will be high, low or of medium height?"

iti puttho 'no'ti vadeyya.

and he would say: "No."

tamenam evam vadeyyum:

And they might say:

'ambho purisa, yaṃ tvaṃ na jānāsi na passasi, tassa tvaṃ pāsādassa ārohaṇāya nisseṇiṃ karosī'ti')

"Well then, you don't know or see what kind of a palace you are building the staircase for?"

iti puttho 'āmā'ti vadeyya.

Asked this, he'd say, 'Yes.'

"tam kim maññasi, potthapāda, nanu evam sante tassa purisassa appātihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī''ti? Don't you think that man's talk would turn out to be stupid?' "addhā kho, bhante, evam sante tassa purisassa appātihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti. 'Certainly, Lord.' "evameva kho, potthapāda, ye te samanabrāhmanā evamvādino evamditthino: 'And so it is, Potthapāda, with those same ascetics and Brahmins who declare this doctrin and view: 'ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maraņā'ti. 'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.' tyāham upasankamitvā evam vadāmi: I approached them and asked 'saccam kira tumhe āyasmanto evamvādino evamditthino: if this was indeed what they declared and believed, "ekantasukhī attā hoti arogo param maranā'ti? 'After death, the self is entirely happy and free from disease.' te ce me evam putthā 'āmā'ti patijānanti. and they replied: "Yes." tyāham evam vadāmi: Then I said: 'api pana tumhe āyasmanto ekantasukham lokam jānam passam viharathā'ti? "Do you, friends, living in the world, know and see it as an entirely happy place?" iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti. and they replied: "No." "tyāham evam vadāmi: I said: 'api pana tumhe āyasmanto ekam vā rattim ekam vā divasam upaddham vā rattim upaddham vā divasam ekantasukhim attānam sañjānāthā'ti? "Have you ever experienced a single night or day, or half a night or day, that was entirely happy?" iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti. and they replied: "No." tyāham evam vadāmi: I said: 'api pana tumhe āyasmanto jānātha "Do you know: ayam maggo ayam patipadā ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāyā'ti? a path or a practice whereby an entirely happy world might be brought about? iti putthā 'no'ti vadanti. and they replied: "No." "tyāham evam vadāmi: 'api pana tumhe āyasmanto yā tā devatā ekantasukham lokam upapannā', tāsam devatānam bhāsamānānam saddam sunātha: "Have you heard the voices of deities who have been reborn in an entirely happy world, saying: "suppatipannāttha, mārisā, ujuppatipannāttha, mārisā, ekantasukhassa lokassa sacchikiriyāya; "Practice well, dear sirs, practice directly so as to realize an exclusively happy world. mayampi hi, mārisā, evampatipannā ekantasukham lokam upapannā'ti? For this is how we practiced, and we were reborn in an exclusively happy world"?" iti putthā "no"ti vadanti. Asked this, they replied: "No." "tam kim maññasi, potthapāda,

What do you think, Poṭṭhapāda? nanu evaṃ sante tesaṃ samaṇabrāhmaṇānaṃ appāṭihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ sampajjatī"ti?

Such being the case, does not the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid? "addhā kho, bhante, evam sante tesam samaṇabrāhmaṇānam appāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti.

"Clearly that's the case, sir, the talk of those ascetics and Brahmins turn out to be stupid."

428. 39.

"tayo kho me, potthapāda, attapatilābhā - oļāriko attapatilābho, manomayo attapatilābho, arūpo attapatilābho.

Potthapāda, there are three kinds of "acquired self": the gross acquired self, the mind-made acquired self, the formless acquired self.

katamo ca, potthapāda, oļāriko attapatilābho?

What is the gross acquired self?

rūpī cātumahābhūtiko kabalīkārāhārabhakkho, ayam olāriko attapatilābho.

It has form, is composed of the four great elements, nourished by material food.

#### katamo manomayo attapatilābho?

What is the mind-made self?

rūpī manomayo sabbangapaccangī ahīnindriyo, ayam manomayo attapatilābho.

It has form, complete with all its parts, not defective in any sense-organ.

#### katamo arūpo attapatilābho?

What is the formless acquired self?

arūpī saññāmayo, ayam arūpo attapatilābho.

It is without form, and made up of perception.

429. 40.

"oļārikassapi kho aham, poṭṭhapāda, attapaṭilābhassa pahānāya dhammam desemi - But I teach a doctrine for getting rid of the gross acquired self,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathāti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### siyā kho pana te, potthapāda, evamassa -

Now, Potthāpada, you might think:

samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

"Perhaps these defiling mental states might disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### dukkho ca kho vihāroti.

and one might still be unhappy."

na kho panetam, potthapāda, evam datthabbam.

That is not how it should be regarded.

#### saṃkilesikā ceva dhammā pahīyissanti,

. If defiling states disappear

#### vodāniyā ca dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

pāmujjam ceva bhavissati pīti ca passaddhi ca sati ca sampajaññañca sukho ca vihāro.

nothing but happiness and delight develops, tranquillity, mindfulness and clear awareness — and that is a happy state.

430.

"manomayassapi kho aham, potthapāda, attapaṭilābhassa pahānāya dhammam desemi - 'I also teach a doctrine for getting rid of the mind-made acquired self,

#### yathāpaṭipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

#### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathāti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### siyā kho pana te, potthapāda, evamassa:

Now, Potthāpada, you might think:

### 'samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

"Perhaps these defiling mental states might disappear

#### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### dukkho ca kho vihāro'ti,

and one might still be unhappy."

#### na kho panetam, potthapāda, evam datthabbam.

That is not how it should be regarded.

#### samkilesikā ceva dhammā pahīyissanti,

If defiling states disappear

### vodāniyā ca dhammā abhivaḍḍhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

# pāmujjam ceva bhavissati pīti ca passaddhi ca sati ca sampajaññañca sukho ca vihāro. nothing but happiness and delight develops, tranquillity, mindfulness and clear awareness — and that is a happy state.

431. 42.

## "arūpassapi kho aham, potthapāda, attapaţilābhassa pahānāya dhammam desemi - 'I also teach a doctrine for getting rid of the formless acquired self,

### yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathāti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### siyā kho pana te, potthapāda, evamassa:

Now, Potthāpada, you might think:

#### 'samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

"Perhaps these defiling mental states might disappear

#### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

#### dukkho ca kho vihāro'ti,

and one might still be unhappy."

#### na kho panetam, potthapāda, evam datthabbam.

That is not how it should be regarded.

#### samkilesikā ceva dhammā pahīyissanti,

If defiling states disappear

#### vodāniyā ca dhammā abhivaḍḍhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissati,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

## pāmujjam ceva bhavissati pīti ca passaddhi ca sati ca sampajaññañca sukho ca vihāro.

nothing but happiness and delight develops, tranquillity, mindfulness and clear awareness — and that is a happy state.

432.

"pare ce, potthapāda, amhe evam puccheyyum:

'Potthapāda, if others ask us:

'katamo pana so, āvuso, olāriko attapatilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, "What, friend, is this gross acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

tesam mayam evam putthā evam byākareyyāma:

being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, olāriko attapatilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is that gross acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

433.

"pare ce, potthapāda, amhe evam puccheyyum:

'If others ask us:

'katamo pana so, āvuso, manomayo attapatilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, "What is this mind-made acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

yathāpaṭipannānam vo saṃkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti?

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

tesam mayam evam putthā evam byākareyyāma:

being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, manomayo attapatilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is that gross acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

434.

"pare ce, potthapāda, amhe evam puccheyyum:

'If others ask us:

'katamo pana so, āvuso, arūpo attapaṭilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, "What is this formless acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

#### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

### tesam mayam evam putthā evam byākareyyāma:

being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, arūpo attapaṭilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is that gross acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīvissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca dittheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge.

"taṃ kiṃ maññasi, potthapāda, nanu evaṃ sante sappātihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ sampajjatī"ti? What do you think, Potthapāda? Does not that statement turn out to be well-founded?'

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante sappāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti. 'Certainly, Lord.'

435.

"seyyathāpi, poṭṭhapāda, puriso nisseṇiṃ kareyya pāsādassa ārohaṇāya tasseva pāsādassa hetthā.

'It is just as if a man were to build a staircase for a palace, which was below that palace.

#### tamenam evam vadevyum:

They might say to him:

'ambho purisa, yassa tvam pāsādassa ārohanāya nissenim karosi,

"Well now, this staircase for a palace that you are building,

jānāsi taṃ pāsādaṃ, puratthimāya vā disāya dakkhiṇāya vā disāya pacchimāya vā disāya uttarāya vā

do you know whether the palace will face east or west, or north or south,

#### disāya ucco vā nīco vā majjhimo vā'ti?

or whether it will be high, low or of medium height?"

#### so evam vadeyya:

and he would say:

ʻayam vā so, āvuso, pāsādo, yassāham ārohanāya nissenim karomi, tasseva pāsādassa hetthā'ti.

"This staircase is right under the palace."

"taṃ kiṃ maññasi, poṭṭhapāda, nanu evaṃ sante tassa purisassa sappāṭihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ saṃpajjatī"ti?

Don't you think that man's statement would be well-founded?'

"addhā kho, bhante, evaṃ sante tassa purisassa sappāṭihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ sampajjatī"ti. "Certainly, Lord."

436.

#### "evameva kho, potthapāda, pare ce amhe evam puccheyyum:

'In just the same way, Potthapada, if others ask us:

'katamo pana so, āvuso, oļāriko attapatilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, "What is this gross acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

#### yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

#### vodānivā dhammā abhivaddhissanti.

and states tending to purification grow strong,

## paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

#### tesam mayam evam putthā evam byākareyyāma:

being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, arūpo attapaṭilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is this gross acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

vathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge."

"taṃ kiṃ maññasi, poṭṭhapāda, nanu evaṃ sante sappāṭihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ sampajjatī"ti?

Don't you think that statement is well-founded?'

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante sappāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti.

'Certainly, Lord.'

'katamo pana so, āvuso, manomayo attapaṭilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, What is this mind-made acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

#### tesam mayam evam putthā evam byākareyyāma:

being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, arūpo attapaţilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is this mind-made acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge."

"taṃ kiṃ maññasi, poṭṭhapāda, nanu evaṃ sante sappāṭihīrakataṃ bhāsitaṃ sampajjatī"ti?

Don't you think that statement is well-founded?'

"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante sappāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti. 'Certainly, Lord.'

'katamo pana so, āvuso, arūpo attapatilābho, yassa tumhe pahānāya dhammam desetha, "What is this formless acquired self whose abandonment you preach,

yathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīyissanti,

whereby defiling mental states disappear

vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti,

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge?"

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being so asked, we should reply:

'ayam vā so, āvuso, arūpo attapatilābho, yassa mayam pahānāya dhammam desema, "This is this formless acquired self for the getting rid of which we teach a doctrine,

vathāpatipannānam vo samkilesikā dhammā pahīvissanti,

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#### vodāniyā dhammā abhivaddhissanti,

and states tending to purification grow strong,

paññāpāripūrim vepullattañca diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja viharissathā'ti.

and one gains and remains in the purity and perfection of wisdom here and now, having realised and attained it by one's own super-knowledge."

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"tam kim maññasi, potthapāda, nanu evam sante sappātihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti?
   Don't you think that statement is well-founded?'
"addhā kho, bhante, evam sante sappāṭihīrakatam bhāsitam sampajjatī"ti.
   'Certainly, Lord.'
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   48.
evam vutte citto hatthisāriputto bhagavantam etadavoca:
   At this, Citta, son of the elephant-trainer, said to the Lord:
"yasmim, bhante, samaye olāriko attapatilābho hoti,
   'Lord, whenever the gross acquired self is present,
moghassa tasmim samaye manomayo attapatilābho hoti,
   would it be wrong to assume the existence of the mind-made acquired self,
mogho arūpo attapatilābho hoti;
   or of the formless acquired self?
olāriko vāssa attapaţilābho tasmim samaye sacco hoti.
   Does only the gross acquired self truly exist then?
yasmim, bhante, samaye manomayo attapatilābho hoti,
   'Lord, whenever the mind-made acquired self is present,
moghassa tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābho hoti,
   would it be wrong to assume the existence of the gross acquired self,
mogho arūpo attapatilābho hoti;
   or of the formless acquired self?
manomayo vāssa attapatilābho tasmim samaye sacco hoti.
   Does only the mind-made acquired self truly exist then?
yasmim, bhante, samaye arūpo attapatilābho hoti,
   'Lord, whenever the formless acquired self is present,
moghassa tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābho hoti,
   would it be wrong to assume the existence of the gross acquired self,
mogho manomayo attapatilābho hoti;
   or of the mind-made acquired self?
arūpo vāssa attapatilābho tasmim samaye sacco hotī"ti.
   Does only the formless acquired self truly exist then?
   49.
"yasmim, citta, samaye oļāriko attapaţilābho hoti,
   'Citta, whenever the gross acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a mind-made acquired self,
na arūpo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati;
   we do not speak of a formless acquired self.
olāriko attapatilābhotveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a gross acquired self.
vasmim, citta, samaye manomayo attapatilābho hoti.
   Whenever the mind-made acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,
na arūpo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati;
   we do not speak of a formless acquired self.
manomayo attapatilābhotveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a mind-made acquired self.
yasmim, citta, samaye arūpo attapatilābho hoti,
   Whenever the formless acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye olariko attapatilabhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,
na manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati:
   we do not speak of a mind-made acquired self.
arūpo attapatilābhoi tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a formless acquired self.
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"sace tam, citta, evam puccheyyum:
   'Citta, suppose they were to ask you:
'ahosi tvam atītamaddhānam, na tvam nāhosi;
   "Did you exist in the past or didn't you,
bhavissasi tvam anāgatamaddhānam, na tvam na bhavissasi;
   will you exist in the future or won't you,
atthi tvam etarahi, na tvam natthī'ti,
   do you exist now or don't you?'
evam puttho tvam, citta, kinti byākareyyāsī"ti?
   how would you answer?
"sace mam, bhante, evam puccheyyum:
   'Lord, if I were asked:
'ahosi tvam atītamaddhānam, na tvam na ahosi;
   "Did you exist in the past or didn't you,
bhavissasi tvam anāgatamaddhānam, na tvam na bhavissasi;
   will you exist in the future or won't you,
atthi tvam etarahi, na tvam natthī'ti.
   do you exist now or don't you?"
evam puttho aham, bhante, evam byākareyyam:
   I would say:
'ahosāham atītamaddhānam, nāham na ahosim;
   "I did exist in the past, I did not not exist;
bhavissāmaham anāgatamaddhānam, nāham na bhavissāmi;
   I shall exist in the future, I shall not not exist;
atthāham etarahi, nāham natthī'ti.
   I do exist now, I do not not exist.'
evam puttho aham, bhante, evam byākareyyan"ti.
   That, Lord, would be my answer.
"sace pana tam, citta, evam puccheyyum:
   'But, Citta, if they asked:
'yo te ahosi atīto attapaţilābho,
   "The past acquired self that you had,
sova te attapatilābho sacco.
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho anagato, mogho paccuppanno?
   and are the future and present ones false?
yo te bhavissati anāgato attapatilābho,
   The future acquired self you will have,
sova te attapatilābho sacco,
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho atīto, mogho paccuppanno?
   and are the past and present ones false?
yo te etarahi paccuppanno attapatilābho,
   The present acquired self that you have,
sova te attapatilābho sacco,
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho atīto, mogho anāgato'ti.
   and are the past and future ones false?"
evam puttho tvam, citta, kinti byākareyyāsī"ti?
   how would you reply?'
"sace pana mam, bhante, evam puccheyyum:
   'Lord, if they asked me:
'vo te ahosi atīto attapatilābho,
   "The past acquired self that you had,
sova te attapatilābho sacco,
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho anagato, mogho paccuppanno.
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and are the future and present ones false?

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yo te bhavissati anagato attapatilabho,
   The future acquired self you will have,
sova te attapatilābho sacco,
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho atīto, mogho paccuppanno.
   and are the past and present ones false?
yo te etarahi paccuppanno attapatilabho,
   The present acquired self that you have,
sova te attapatilābho sacco,
   is that your only true acquired self,
mogho atīto, mogho anāgato'ti.
   and are the past and future ones false?"
evam puttho aham, bhante, evam byākareyyam:
   Asked these things, I would reply:
'yo me ahosi atīto attapaţilābho, sova me attapaţilābho tasmim samaye sacco ahosi,
   "My past acquired self was at the time my only true one,
mogho anagato, mogho paccuppanno.
   the future and present ones were false.
yo me bhavissati anāgato attapaṭilābho, sova me attapaṭilābho tasmim samaye sacco
bhavissati,
   My future acquired self will then be the only true one,
mogho atīto, mogho paccuppanno.
   the past and present ones will be false.
yo me etarahi paccuppanno attapatilābho, sova me attapatilābho sacco,
   My present acquired self is now the only true one,
mogho atīto, mogho anāgato'ti.
   the past and future ones are false."
evam puttho aham, bhante, evam byākareyyan"ti.
   That is how I would reply.'
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"evameva kho, citta, yasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābho hoti,
   'In just the same way, Citta, whenever the gross acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a mind-made acquired self,
na arūpo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati.
   we do not speak of a formless acquired self.
olāriko attapatilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a gross acquired self.
yasmim, citta, samaye manomayo attapatilābho hoti,
   Whenever the mind-made acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,
na arūpo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati.
   we do not speak of a formless acquired self.
manomayo attapatilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a mind-made acquired self.
yasmim, citta, samaye arūpo attapatilābho hoti,
   Whenever the formless acquired self is present,
neva tasmim samaye olāriko attapaţilābhoti sankham gacchati,
   we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,
na manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati;
   we do not speak of a mind-made acquired self.
arūpo attapatilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.
   We speak only of a formless acquired self.
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"seyyathāpi, citta,
   'In just the same way, Citta,
gavā khīram,
   from the cow we get milk,
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khīramhā dadhi, from the milk curds, dadhimhā navanītam, from the curds butter, navanītamhā sappi, from the butter ghee, sappimhā sappimaṇḍo. and from the ghee cream of ghee. vasmim samaye khīram hoti,
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neva tasmim samaye dadhīti sankham gacchati, na navanītanti sankham gacchati, na sappīti sankham gacchati, na sappimandoti sankham gacchati;

we don't speak of curds, of butter, of ghee or of cream of ghee,

khīram tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

we speak of milk;

yasmim samaye dadhi hoti,

And when there is curds

And when there is milk

neva tasmim samaye khīranti sankham gacchati, na navanītanti sankham gacchati, na sappīti sankham gacchati, na sappimandoti sankham gacchati;

we don't speak of milk, of butter, of ghee or of cream of ghee,

dadhi tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

we speak of curds;

yasmim samaye navanītam hoti,

And when there is butter

neva tasmim samaye khīranti sankham gacchati, na dadhīti sankham gacchati, na sappīti sankham gacchati, na sappimandoti sankham gacchati;

we don't speak of milk, of curds, of ghee or of cream of ghee,

navanītam tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

we speak of butter;

yasmim samaye sappi hoti,

And when there is ghee

neva tasmim samaye khīranti sankham gacchati, na dadhīti sankham gacchati, na navanītanti sankham gacchati, na sappimandoti sankham gacchati;

we don't speak of milk, of curds, of butter, or of cream of ghee,

sappi tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

we speak of ghee;

yasmim samaye sappimando hoti,

And when there is cream of ghee

neva tasmim samaye khīranti sankham gacchati, na dadhīti sankham gacchati, na navanītanti sankham gacchati, na sappīti sankham gacchati;

we don't speak of milk, of curds, of butter, of ghee,

sappimando tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

we speak of cream of ghee;

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evameva kho, citta, yasmim samaye oļāriko attapaţilābho hoti,

'So too, whenever the gross acquired self is present,

neva tasmim samaye manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati, we do not at that time speak of a mind-made acquired self.

na arūpo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati.

we do not speak of a formless acquired self.

olāriko attapaṭilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati. We speak only of a gross acquired self.

yasmim, citta, samaye manomayo attapatilābho hoti,

Whenever the mind-made acquired self is present,

neva tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,

we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,

na arūpo attapațilābhoti sankham gacchati.

we do not speak of a formless acquired self.

manomayo attapatilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

We speak only of a mind-made acquired self.

#### yasmim, citta, samaye arūpo attapatilābho hoti,

Whenever the formless acquired self is present,

## neva tasmim samaye olāriko attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati,

we do not at that time speak of a gross acquired self,

### na manomayo attapatilābhoti sankham gacchati;

we do not speak of a mind-made acquired self.

### arūpo attapatilābho tveva tasmim samaye sankham gacchati.

We speak only of a formless acquired self.

### imā kho citta, lokasamaññā lokaniruttiyo lokavohārā lokapaññattiyo, yāhi tathāgato voharati aparāmasan"ti.

But, Citta, these are merely names, expressions, turns of speech, designations in common use in the world, which the Tathagata uses without misapprehending them.

### evam vutte, potthapādo paribbājako bhagavantam etadavoca:

And at these words Potthapāda the wanderer said to the Lord:

## "abhikkantam, bhante! abhikkantam, bhante!

'Excellent, Lord, excellent!

#### seyyathāpi, bhante, nikkujjitam vā ukkujjeyya,

It is as if someone were to set up what had been knocked down,

## paticchannam vā vivareyya, mūlhassa vā maggam ācikkheyya,

or to point out the way to one who had got lost,

## andhakāre vā telapajjotam dhāreyya: 'cakkhumanto rūpāni dakkhantī'ti.

or to bring an oil-lamp into a dark place, so that those with eyes could see what was there.

### evamevam bhagavatā anekapariyāyena dhammo pakāsito.

Just so the Blessed Lord has expounded the Dhamma in various ways.

## esāham, bhante, bhagavantam saranam gacchāmi dhammañca bhikkhusanghañca.

Lord, I go for refuge to the Lord, the Dhamma and the Sangha.

### upāsakam mam bhagavā dhāretu ajjatagge pānupetam saranam gatan"ti.

May the Lord accept me as a lay-follower who has taken refuge in him from this day forth as long as life shall last!

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#### citto pana hatthisāriputto bhagavantam etadavoca:

But Citta, son of the elephant-trainer, said to the Lord:

## "abhikkantam, bhante; abhikkantam, bhante!

'Excellent, Lord, excellent!

### seyyathāpi, bhante, nikkujjitam vā ukkujjeyya,

It is as if someone were to set up what had been knocked down,

## paticchannam vā vivareyya, mūlhassa vā maggam ācikkheyya,

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or to bring an oil-lamp into a dark place, so that those with eyes could see what was there.

#### evamevam bhagavatā anekapariyāyena dhammo pakāsito.

Just so the Blessed Lord has expounded the Dhamma in various ways.

#### esāham, bhante, bhagavantam saranam gacchāmi dhammañca bhikkhusanghañca. Lord, I go for refuge to the Lord, the Dhamma and the Sangha.

labheyyāham, bhante, bhagavato santike pabbajjam, labheyyam upasampadan"ti.

May I, Lord, receive the going-forth at the Lord's hands, may I receive ordination!'

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#### alattha kho citto hatthisāriputto bhagavato santike pabbajjam, alattha upasampadam. And Citta, son of the elephant-trainer, received the going-forth at the Lord's hands, and the ordination.

acirūpasampanno kho panāyasmā citto hatthisāriputto eko vūpakattho appamatto ātāpī

## pahitatto viharanto na cirasseva -And the newly-ordained Venerable Citta, alone, secluded, unwearying, zealous and resolute, in a short time

yassatthāya kulaputtā sammadeva agārasmā anagāriyam pabbajanti,

attained to that for the sake of which young men of good birth go forth from the household life into homelessness,

tadanuttaram - brahmacariyapariyosānam diṭṭheva dhamme sayam abhiññā sacchikatvā upasampajja vihāsi.

that unexcelled culmination of the holy life, having realised it here and now by his own super-knowledge and dwelt therein, knowing:

'khīṇā jāti, vusitaṃ brahmacariyaṃ, kataṃ karaṇīyaṃ, nāparaṃ itthattāyā'ti - abbhaññāsi. 'Birth is destroyed, the holy life has been lived, what had to be done has been done, there is nothing further here'.

aññataro kho panāyasmā citto hatthisāriputto arahatam ahosīti.

And the Venerable Citta, son of the elephant-trainer, became another of the Arahants.

potthapādasuttam nitthitam navamam.