

0.0.1 Dhamma speaker

1. O Bhikkhus, there are these four [kinds of] Dhamma speakers. Which four? Here, O bhikkhus, a certain Dhamma speaker speaks little and [his speech] is irrelevant, and his assembly does not have the skills for [distinguishing] the relevant and the irrelevant. It is just such a Dhamma speaker, O Bhikkhus, that is recognized as a Dhamma speaker by such an assembly.

2. Here, O bhikkhus, another Dhamma speaker speaks little and [his speech] is relevant, and his assembly has the skills for [distinguishing] the relevant and the irrelevant. It is just such a Dhamma speaker, O Bhikkhus, that is recognized as a Dhamma speaker by such an assembly.

3. Here, O bhikkhus, another Dhamma speaker speaks much and [his speech] is irrelevant, and his assembly does not have the skills for [distinguishing] the relevant and the irrelevant. It is just such a Dhamma speaker, O Bhikkhus, that is recognized as a Dhamma speaker by such an assembly.

4. Here, O bhikkhus, another Dhamma speaker speaks much and [his speech] is relevant, and his assembly has the skills for [distinguishing] the relevant and the irrelevant. It is just such a Dhamma speaker, O Bhikkhus, that is recognized as a Dhamma speaker

by such an assembly. These, O Bhikkhus, are the four [kinds of] Dhamma speakers.