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"I will expound for you, O bhikkhus, superhuman power, and the basis for superhuman power, and the maturation of the basis for superhuman power, and the means for progress leading to the maturation of the basis for superhuman power. You must listen to that.

iddhiñca¹ vo bhikkhave, desessāmi iddhipādañca iddhipādabhāvananca iddhipādabhāvanāgāmininca patipadam, tam sunātha.

And what, O bhikkhus, is superhuman power? Here, O bhikkhus, a bhikkhu experiences the various modes of superhuman power: having been one, he becomes manifold. Having been manifold too, he becomes one. He becomes visible. He becomes invisible. He goes through a wall, through a rampart, through a mountain without maturation touched, as if in the air. He emerges from and descend into the earth too, as if in water. He goes on water too, without it maturation pierced, as if on the ground. He moves cross-legged in the air too, as if a winged bird. These too, the sun and moon, so mighty, so majestic, he touches and strokes with his hand. He exerts control with his body, even as far as the Brahma world. This, O bhikkhus, is called superhuman power.

¹iddhim-machasam.

katamā ca bhikkhave, iddhi? idha bhikkhave, bhikkhu anekavihitam iddhividham paccanubhoti: ekopi hutvā bahudhā hoti, bahudhāpi hutvā eko hoti, āvībhāvam tirobhāvam tirokuḍḍam tiropākāram tiropabbatam asajjamānova gacchati, seyyathāpi ākāse, paṭhaviyāpi ummujjanimujjam karoti seyyathāpi udake, udakepi abhijjamāno gacchati seyyathāpi paṭhaviyam, ākāsepi pallankena kamati seyyathāpi pakhnī sakuņo, imepi candimasuriye evam mahiddhike evam mahānubhāve pāṇinā parāmasati, parimajjati, yāva brahmalokāpi kāyena vasam vatteti. ayam vuccati bhikkhave iddhi.

3. And what, O bhikkhus, is the basis for superhuman power? That which, O bhikkhus, is the path, that which is the means for progress that leads to the attainment of superhuman power. This, O bhikkhus, is called the basis for superhuman power.

katamo ca bhikkhave, iddhipādo, yo bhikkhave, maggo yā paṭipadā iddhipaṭilābhāya² saṃvattati. ayaṃ vuccati bhikkhave, iddhipādo.

4. And what, O bhikkhus, is the maturation of the basis for superhuman power? Here, O bhikkhus, a bhikkhu brings into maturation the basis for superhuman power endowed with desire-samadhi and the will-power for exertion; he brings into maturation the basis for super-

²iddhilābhāya iddhipaṭilābhāya- machasaṃ, syā.

human power endowed with energy-samadhi and the will-power for exertion; he brings into maturation the basis for superhuman power endowed with samadhi state of mind and the will-power for exertion; he brings into maturation the basis for superhuman power endowed with investigation-samadhi and the will-power for exertion. This, O bhikkhus, is called the maturation of the basis for superhuman power.

katamā ca bhikkhave, iddhipādabhāvanā? idha bhikkhave, bhikkhu chandasamādhipadhānasankhārasamannāgatam iddhipādam bhāveti, viriyasamādhipadhānasankhārasamannāgatam iddhipādam bhāveti, cittasamādhipadhānasankhārasamannāgatam iddhipādam bhāveti vīmamsāsamādhipadhānasankhārasamannāgatam iddhipādam bhāveti ayam vuccati bhikkhave, iddhipādabhāvanā.

5. And what, O bhikkhus, is the means for progress leading to the maturation of the bases for superhuman power? It is just this noble eightfold path, that is: right view, right thought, right speech, right action, right livelihood, right effort, right mindfulness, right samadhi. This, O bhikkhus, is called the means for progress leading to the maturation of the bases for superhuman power."

katamā ca bhikkhave, iddhipādabhāvanāgāminī paţipadā? ayameva ariyo aṭṭhaṅgiko maggo. seyyathīdaṃ: sammādiṭṭhi sammāsaṅkappo sammāvācā sammākammanto sammāājīvo sammāvāyāmo sammāsati sammāsamādhi. ayam vuccati bhikkhave, iddhipādabhāvanāgāminī paṭipadāti.