## 0.0.1 Sarakani (1)

## 0.0.1 sarakānisuttam

1. At one time the Auspicious One resided at the Sakkian [town of] kapilavatthu in Nigrodha's park. At that time Sarakani the Sakkian had passed away. The Auspicious One declared him "a sotapanna, not subject to the woeful plane, on a fixed course, destined for supreme awakening." There, so many Sakkians, having assembled, having met together, protesting, being dejected, speaking in dispraise [said]: "It is marvellous indeed, Sir, it is unprecedented indeed, Sir. Now who here will not be a sotapanna, in as much as the Auspicious One has declared Sarakani, the Sakkian [who] passed away, [to be] a sotapanna, not subject to the woeful plane, on a fixed course, destined for supreme awakening." "Sarakani, the Sakkian endured weakness in the discipline, a drinker, one [fond] of drinking strong drinks."

ekam samayam bhagavā sakkesu viharati kapilavatthusmim nigrodhārāme. tena kho panasamayena sarakāni¹ sakko kālakato hoti. so bhagavatā vyākato sotāpanno avinipātadhammo niyato sambodhiparāyaņo'ti. tatra sudam sambahulā sakkā saṅgamma samāgamma ujjhāyanti, khīyanti, vipācenti: "acchariyam vata bho abbhutam vata bho, etthadāni ko na sotāpanno bhavissati, yatra hi nāma sarakāni sakko kālakato so bhagavatā vyākato sotāpanno avinipātadhammo niyato sam-

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¹saraṇāni-machasaṃ.

bodhiparāyaņo'ti. sarakāni sakko sikkhādubbalyamāpādi, majjapānam apāyī"ti.

So then, by which way the Auspicious One [had gone], by that way Mahanama the Sakkian, approached. Having approached the Auspicious One, having bowed down, he sat down to one side. Having sat down to one side, Mahanama the Sakkian, ever said this to the Auspicious One: "Here Bhante, Sarakani the Sakkian has passed away. The Auspicious One has declared him "a sotapanna, not subject to the woeful plane, on a fixed course, destined for supreme awakening." There, so many Sakkians, having assembled, having met together, protesting, being dejected, speaking in dispraise [said]: "It is marvellous indeed, Sir, it is unprecedented indeed, Sir. Now who here will not be a sotapanna, in as much as the Auspicious One has declared Sarakani, the Sakkian [who] passed away, [to be] a sotapanna, not subject to the woeful plane, on a fixed course, destined for supreme awakening." "Sarakani, the Sakkian endured weakness in the discipline, a drinker, one [fond] of drinking strong drinks."

atha kho mahānāmo sakko yena bhagavā tenupasaṅ-kami. upasaṅkamitvā bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekamantaṃ nisīdi. ekamantaṃ nisinno kho mahānāmo sakko bhagavantaṃ etadavoca: "idha bhante, sara-kāni sakko kālakato. so bhagavatā vyākato sotāpanno

avinipātadhammo niyato sambodhiparāyaņo'ti tatra sudam bhante, sambahulā sakkā saṅgamma samāgamma ujjhāyanti khīyanti vipācenti: "acchariyam vata bho, abbhutam vata bho, etthadāni ko na sotāpanno bhavissati. yatra hi nāma sarakāni sakko kālakato, so bhagavatā vyākato "sotāpanno avinipātadhammo niyato sambodhiparāyaņo"ti, sarakāni sakko sikkhādubbalyamāpādi, majjānam apāyī"ti.

3. Mahanama, he [was] the male lay disciple who for a long time had gone to the Buddha as refuge, gone to the Dhamma as refuge, gone to the Sangha as refuge, [so] how could he go to the woeful plane? Indeed Mahanama, that which [one] correctly saying would say, "for a long time a male lay disciple has gone to the Buddha as refuge, gone to the Dhamma as refuge, gone to the Sangha as refuge," [it would be of] Sarakani the Sakkian [that one] correctly saying would say this. Mahanama, Sarakani the Sakkian [was] the male lay disciple who for a long time had gone to the Buddha as refuge, gone to the Dhamma as refuge, gone to the Sangha as refuge, so how could he go to the woeful plane?

yo so mahānāma, dīgharattam upāsako buddham saraṇam gato, dhammam saraṇam gato, saṅgham saraṇam gato so katham vinipātam gaccheyya. yam hi tam mahānāma, sammāvadamāno vadeyya, dīgharattam upāsako buddham saraṇam gato, dhammam saraṇam gato, saṅgham saraṇam gato'ti sarakānim sakkam sammā vadamāno vadeyya sarakāni mahānāma, sakko dīgharattam upāsako buddham saraņam gato, dhammam saraņam gato, saṅgham saraņam gato. so katham vinipātam gaccheyya?

Here Mahanama, a certain individual is endowed with confirmed faith in the Buddha [thus]: "Truly is he the Auspicious One, the Arahant, rightly self-awakened, excelling in knowledge and conduct, well-farer, knower of worlds, incomparable trainer of persons to be tamed, teacher of devas and humans, awakened, auspicious." He is endowed with confirmed faith in the Dhamma [thus]: "The Dhamma is well-proclaimed by the Auspicious One, visible in this life, not involving time, inviting inspection, leading onwards, to be comprehended by the wise, each one for one's self." He is endowed with confirmed faith in the Sangha [thus]: "The Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the good path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the straight path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the true path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the proper path; that is, the four pairs of persons, the eight types of individuals. This Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples is worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality, worthy of offerings, worthy of reverential salutation, the unsurpassed field of merit for the world." He is one of jubilant wisdom, one of swift wisdom, and one who excels in liberation. With the destruction of the asavas, having

realized for himself with direct knowledge, in this very life, the asava-free liberation by state of mind, liberation by wisdom, and having entered upon it, dwells in it. This individual, Mahanama, is ever free from hell, free from the animal womb, free from the sphere of ghost, free from lower worlds, unhappy destination, the woeful plane.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>hāsapañño-machasam, syā.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>asmā lokā-syā. bjt page 194

of worlds, incomparable trainer of persons to be tamed, teacher of devas and humans, awakened, auspicious." He is endowed with confirmed faith in the Dhamma [thus]: "The Dhamma is well-proclaimed by the Auspicious One, visible in this life, not involving time, inviting inspection, leading onwards, to be comprehended by the wise, each one for one's self." He is endowed with confirmed faith in the Sangha [thus]: "The Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the good path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the straight path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the true path, the Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples has entered upon the proper path; that is, the four pairs of persons, the eight types of individuals. This Sangha of the Auspicious One's disciples is worthy of gifts, worthy of hospitality, worthy of offerings, worthy of reverential salutation, the unsurpassed field of merit for the world." He is not one of jubilant wisdom, not one of swift wisdom, and not one who excels in liberation. From the complete destruction of the three fetters and reduction of greed, hatred and delusion, he is a sakadagami, who having come back only once to this world, makes the stilling of suffering. This individual too, Mahanama, is ever free from hell, free from the animal womb, free from the sphere of ghost, free from lower worlds, unhappy destination, the woeful plane.

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mīcipaṭipanno bhagavato sāvakasaṅgho, yadidaṃ cattāri purisayugāni aṭṭhapurisapuggalā esabhagavato sāvakasaṅgho āhuneyyo pāhuneyyo dakkhiṇeyyo añjalikaraṇīyo anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassā'ti. " na hāsupañño na javanapañño na ca vimuttiyā samannāgato, api cassa ime dhammā honti saddhindriyaṃ viriyindriyaṃ satindriyaṃ samādhindriyaṃ paññindriyaṃ. tathāgatappaveditā cassa dhammā paññāya mattaso nijjhānaṃ khamanti. ayampi kho mahānāma, puggalo agantā nirayaṃ, agantā tiracchānayoniṃ, agantā pettivisayaṃ, agantā apāyaduggativinipātaṃ.

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karaṇīyo anuttaraṃ puññakkhettaṃ lokassā'ti. " na hāsupañño na javanapañño na ca vimuttiyā samannāgato, api cassa ime dhammā honti saddhindriyaṃ viriyindriyaṃ satindriyaṃ samādhindriyaṃ paññindriyaṃ. tathāgate cassa saddhāmattaṃ hoti, pemamattaṃ. ayampi kho mahānāma, puggalo agantā nirayaṃ, agantā tiracchānayoniṃ, agantā pettivisayaṃ, agantā apāyaduggativinipātaṃ.

10. "Mahanama, even if these great sal trees could understand [what is] well-spoken and [what is] badly-spoken, [then] I would declare in these great sal trees [to be] "sotapanna, not subject to the woeful plane, on a fixed course, destined for supreme awakening." But how much more Sarakani the Sakkian. Nevertheless, Mahanama, Sarakani the Sakkian upheld the discipline at the time of death"

ime cepi mahānāma, mahāsālā subhāsitam dubbhāsitam ājāneyyum, ime cāham mahāsāle vyākareyyam: "sotāpannā avinipātadhammā niyatā sambodhiparāyaṇā"ti. kimaṅga pana sarakānim sakkam. sarakāni mahānāma, sakko maranakāle pana sikkham<sup>6</sup> samādiyīti.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>maraṇakāle sikkhaṃ-machasaṃ, syā. bjt page 196