

3. śalyakāḥ | tac ca nakham śalyako markataśarīraparimitaḥ
 śalalyākhyo mṛiga āstī | yasya mṛigasya puchasamīpe bahavo roma-
 viśeṣāḥ prādeśaparimitāḥ tīkṣhṇāgrā lohamayā utpadyante sa śalya-
 kāḥ | yasmād ayam nakhād utpannas tasmāt sa nakham iva | tī-
 kṣhṇāgraromopetaḥ | tatra chinna-nakhapadapradeśe yad vaśam medo
 'śravat sā vaśā medhyā kācid aṣṭavyādīpasuḥv āstī | tasmād gāya-
 tryā utpannatvāt sā vaśā havir iva | devatāyogyam havir evāstī | tac
 ca haviṣṭvam śakṣāntare śrūyate | tām avim vaśam Ādityebhyaḥ
 kāmāyalabhanta (Ts. 2, 1, 2, 3) iti | atha nakhachedanāya Gandha-
 rveṇa viśiṣṭo bāṇaḥ so 'pi nākhasaṃghaṭṭanena kuṇṭhitāgro bahu-
 dhā bhagno bhūmau patitaḥ | tasya bāṇasya yaḥ śalyaḥ kṛiṣṇāyasa-
 nirmīto bāṇāgre sthāpitaḥ | tasya ca śalyasya yad anikam mukham
 saṃghaṭṭanena kuṇṭhitaḥ āstī | so 'yam śalyatadanīkabhayātmako
 bāṇabhāgo nirdaṇṣī daṇṣanāsamarthaḥ sarpo 'bhavat | jalamadhye
 saṃcarato dundubhākhyasya sarpasya viśarahitavād daṇṣanāsāma-
 rthyam nāstī | tasya kuṇṭhitāgrasya lohasya yo 'yam saho vegas ta-
 smāt sahaso bāṇavegāt svajā ubhayataḥśirāḥ sarpo 'bhavat | tasya
 bāṇasya mūle yāni paṇṇāni kākapatrāṇi te manthāvalā abhavan | ye
 jīvaśiṣeṣā vṛikṣaśākhāsv adhomukhā avalambante te manthāvalāḥ |
 tasmin bāṇe yāni snāvāni patrabandhanārthāḥ snāyaviśeṣāḥ te ga-
 ṇḍūpadā abhavan | avaskārādīsthāneshu ye sarpavaj jāyante te gaṇḍū-
 padāḥ | tasmin bāṇe yat tejanam lohapatravatīrīktaḥ kṣiṭṭhaḥ so
 'ndhāhir abhavat | dṛiṣṭīrahitaḥ sarpo 'bhūt |

27.

1. samāvajjāmibhyām | jāmīśabdo jātivāci | tulyajastibhyām
 ity arthaḥ |

2. pūrvābhyām, savanābhyām | ayam arthaḥ sarvo 'pi śā-
 khāntare saṃgrihyāmnātāḥ | brahmavādīno vadanti: kasmāt satyād
 gāyatrī kanisṭhā chandasām satī yajñamukham parīyāyeti. yad evā-
 daḥ somam āharat, tasmād yajñamukham pary ait, tasmāt tejasvīn-
 tamā, padbhyām dve savane saṃgrihṇān, mukhenaikam. yāni mu-
 khena saṃgrihṇāt tad adhayat, tasmād dve savane śukravatī: prā-
 taḥsavanam ca mādhyamdinam ca. tasmāt tṛitīyasavana rītiṣham abhi-
 śuṇvanti, dhītam iva hi manyanta. āśīram ava nayati saśukratvāya
 (Ts. 6, 1, 6, 3) iti |

28.

3. etad vai tat | ko 'sau gāyatrī labdho bhāga iti | sa ucyate |
 marutvatīyasya śāstrasyottare pratipadau | a tvā ratham ity asmin
 prārambharūpe tṛice prathamāya uttare ye dve ricau pratipadau prā-
 rambharūpe vidyete | yaḥ ca idaṃ vaso sutam ity anucararūpas tṛi-