

tato Guṇavarā-devyāḥ pārçvaṃ tasyā jagāma saḥ
sasnehaç ca sakopaç ca savimarshaç ca bhūpatiḥ. 40
tatra sâ khinna-manasaṃ taṃ dṛiṣṭvâ 'apricchad âkulâ:
«âryaputra, kim adya 'evam akasmâd durmanâyase?» 41
tac çrutvâ sa mahibhṛit tām evam kṛitakam abhyadhât:
«âdya 'âgatya mahājñāni, devi, mām ko 'py abhâshata: 42
««râjan, Guṇavarâ devi kâlām kaṃcana bhūgrihe
««sthâpaniyâ, tvayâ bhâvyam svayam ca brahmacârinâ, 43
««rajya-bhrañço 'nyathâ te syâd mṛityus tasyâç ca niçcitam.» »
«ity uktvâ sa gato jñāni; vishâdo 'yam tato mama.» 44
evam tena 'udite râjñâ, râjñi Guṇavarâ tu sâ
bhayânurâga-vibhrântâ taṃ jagâda pativratâ: 45
«tarhy, âryaputra, na 'adyaiva kim mām kshipasi bhūgrihe?
«dhanyâ hy asmi, yadi prāṇair api syâd me hitam tava. 46
«mama vâ mṛityur astv eva, tava mâ bhūt tv anirvṛitiḥ!
«iha 'amutra ca nârīṇaṃ paramâ hi gatiḥ patiḥ.» 47
iti tasyâ vacaḥ çrutvâ sâçruḥ so 'cintayat prabhuḥ:
«çañke na pâpam etasyāṃ na ca tasmin Surakshite, 48
«sa hy amlāna-mukha-châyo nirâçaṅko mayâ 'tkshitaḥ.
«kashtam! tathâpi jñāse pravâdasya 'asya niçcayam.» 49
ity âlocya sa tām râjâ râjñim âha sma duḥkhiṭaḥ:
«tad ihaiva varam, devi, bhūgrihaṃ kriyatām!» iti. 50
«tathâ» 'iti ca tayâ proktas, tatrayaiva 'antahpure sugam
vidhâya bhūgrihaṃ, râjâ devīm tām nidadhe 'tha saḥ, 51
putraṃ Çṛiṅgabhujaṃ tasyâ viṣaṇṇaṃ prishṭha-kāraṇam
âçvâsayat, tad eva 'uktvâ, râjñīm tām sa yad uktavān. 52
sâpi «râjñi hitam» iti svargaṃ mene dharâgrihaṃ;
sva-sukhaṃ nâsti sâdhvinām, tâsām bhartṛi-sukhaṃ sukham. 53
evam kṛite 'yaçolekhâ tasya râjñy aparâ 'atha sâ
Nirvâsabhuja-nāmānaṃ svairam sva-sutam abhyadhât: 54
«râjñâ 'asmad-vidhurâ tâvat khâte Guṇavarâ 'arpitâ,
«etat-putraç ca deçâc ced ito gacchet, sukhaṃ bhavet. 55
«tat sa Çṛiṅgabhujo deçâd nirvâsyeta 'acirâd yathâ,
«tām, putra, cintayer yuktim tvam anyair bhrâṭṛibhiḥ saha.» 56
iti mâtṛâ 'uditâ so 'nyān bhrâṭṛin uktvâ samatsaraḥ,
âste sma Nirvâsabhujaḥ tatra 'upâyam vicintayan. 57
ekadâ te mahâstrâni prayuñjānâ nṛpâtmaajāḥ,
prâsâdâgre mahâ-kāyam sarve 'pi dadṛçur vakam. 58
vikṛitam pakṣiṇaṃ taṃ ca paçyatas tân savismayān
jñāni kshapaṇakaḥ ko 'pi pathâ tena 'âgato 'bravit: 59
«râjaputrâ, vako na 'ayam; rūpeṇa 'anena Râkshasaḥ
«bhramaty Agniçikhâkhyo 'yam nagarâni vinâçayan. 60
«tad vidhyata 'etaṃ kâṇḍena, yâvad gacchatv ito hataḥ.»
etat kshapaṇakâc çrutvâ navatis te navâdhikâḥ 61
kâṇḍâni cikshipur jyeshṭhâ, na 'eko 'py âhatavān vakam.
tato nagna-kshapaṇakaḥ punas tân nijagâda saḥ: 62