Asti Harshavatî nâma nagarî; tatra ca 'abhavat agranîr Dharmadattâkhyo bahu-koţîçvaro banik. 48

Vasudhattâbhidhânâ ca rûpe 'nanya-samâ sutâ babhûva tasya baṇijaḥ prâṇebhyo 'py adhika-priyâ. 49 sâ ca tena samânâya dhana-yauvana-çâline dattà varânganâ-netra-cakorâmritaraçmaye, 50 nâmnâ Samudradattâya baṇikputrâya sâdhave, nagaryâm ârya-jushtâyâm Tâmraliptyâm nivâsine. 51

kadacit sa, sva-deça-sthe patyau, svasya pitur grihe sthita baniksuta dûrât kamcit purusham aikshata. 52 tam yuvanam sukantam sa capala Mara-mohita guptam sakhî-mukhena 'anîtam bheje pracchanna-kâmukam. 53 tatah prabhriti tenaiva saha tatra tada rahah ratrau ratrav aransta 'asau tad-ekasakta-manasa. 54

ekada ca sa kaumarah patis tasyah sva-decatah ajagama 'atra tat-pitroh pramoda iva murtiman. 55 sotsave ca dine tasmin sa naktam krita-mandana matra 'anupreshita bheje çayya-stha na tam patim. 56 prarthita tena ca 'alîka-supfam cakre 'nya-manasa', pana-matto 'dhva-khinnaç ca so 'pi jahre 'tha nidraya. 57 tavac ca supte 'sarvasniin bliukta-pîte jane çanaih, samdhim bhittva viveça 'atra cauro vasagrihantare. 58 tatkalam tam apaçyantî sapy utthaya baniksuta, sva-jara-krita-samketa nibhritam niragat tatah. 59 tad alokya sa cauro 'tra vighniteccho vyacintayat: «yesham arthe pravishto 'ham, tair eva 'abharanair vrita 60 «niçîthe nirgata 'esha; tad vîkshe 'ham, sa kva gacchati.» ity akalayya nirgatya sa cauras tâm baniksutam 61 Vasudattam anuyayau datta-drishtir alakshitah.

sâpi pushpâdi-hastâ 'eka-sasamketa-sakhî-yutâ 62 gatvå, våhyam pravishtåbhûd udyånam nåtidûragam. tatra 'apaçyac ca tam vrikshe lambamanam sva-kamukam 63 samketakagatam, ratrau labdhva nagararakshibhih ullambitam caura-buddhya, paça-kantham mritam sthitam. 64 tatah sà vihvalodbhranta, «hâ hatasmi!» iti vadinî papâta bhûmau, kripanam vilapantî ruroda ca. 65 avatārya 'atha vrikshāt, tam gatāsum nija-kāmukam upaveçya 'angaragena pushpaic ca 'alamcakara sa. 66 samâlingya ca nihsamiñam raga-çokandha-manasa, unnamayya mukham yavat tasya 'arta paricumbati, 67 tâvac ca tasyâh sahasâ nirjîvah parapurushah Vetalanupravishtah san dantaiç ciccheda nasikam. 68 tena sa vihvala tasmat savyatha 'apasritapy, «aho! «kimsvid jîved?» iti hatâ punar etya tam aikshata. 69 drishtvå ca vîta-Vetâlam niçceshtam mritam eva tam, sâ bhîtâ paribhûtâ ca cacâla rudatî çanaih. 70