chinna-pâçam tam âmantrya mûshakam vacanaih priyaih, Citragrîvah kham utpatya yayau so 'nucaraih saha. 71 anvâgatah sa kâko 'tra Laghupâtî vilokya tat, vila-pravishṭam tam, dvâram âgatya, 'uvâca mûshakam: 72 «Laghupâtî 'iti kâko 'ham; drishṭvâ tvâm mitra-vatsalam «mitratvâya vrinomi 'îdrig-vipad-uddharaṇa-kshamam.» 73 tac çrutvâ 'abhyantarâd drishṭvâ mûshakas tam sa vâyasam jagâda: «gaccha! kâ maitrî bhakshya-bhakshakayor?» iti. 74 tatah sa vâyaso 'vâdîc: «çântam! bhukte mama tvayi

«triptih kshaṇam syâd, mitre tu çaçvaj jîvita-rakshaṇam.» 75 ity-âdy uktvâ saçapatham kritvâ 'âçvâsam ca, tena sah nirgatena 'akarot sakhyam âkhunâ saha vâyasah. 76 sa mâńsa-peçîr anaishîd âkhuḥ çâli-kaṇâny api; ekatra saha bhuñjànau tasthatus tâv ubhau sukham. 77

ekadâ ca sa kakas tam mitram mûshakam abravît: «ito vidûre, mitra, 'asti vana-madhya-gatâ nadî, 78 «tasyâm Mantharako nâma kûrmaç ca 'asti suhrid mama; «tad-artham yami tat sthanam suprapyamisha-bhojanam. 79 «kricchrât prâpya iha 'âhâro, nityam vyâdha-bhayam ca me.» ity uktavantam kakam tam mushako 'pi jagada sah: 80 «sahaiva tarhi vatsyavo; naya tatraiva mam api! «mamâpy asti 'iha nirvedo, vakshye tatraiva tam ca te.» 81 iti-vâdinam âdâya cañcvâ tam sa Hiranyakam, nabhasa Laghupati tad yayau vananadi-tatam. 82 militya saha kûrmena tatra Mantharakena ca kritâtithvena mitrena sa tasthau mûshakânvitah. 83 kathântare ca kûrmâya tasmai svâgama-kâranam Hiranya-sakhva-vrittanta-vutam kakah cacansa sah. 84 tatah sa kûrmas tam kritvâ mitram vâsasa-samstutam, deça-nirvâsa-nirveda-hetum papraccha mûshakam. 85 tato Hiranyah sa tayor ubhayoh kaka-kurmayoh crinvator nija-vrittanta-katham etam avarnavat: - 86

Aham mahâ-vile tatra nagarậsanna-vartini vasan, rājakulād hāram ânîya 'asthāpayam niçi; 87 driçyamānena hārena tena jataujasam ca mām samartham annāharane mūshakāh paryavārayan. 88 atrāntare ca tatra 'āsît kaçcid asmad-vilāntike parivrād maṭhikām kritvā nānā-bhikshānna-vrittikah. 89 sa bhukta-çesham bhikshānnam naktam sthāpayati sma tat bhikshā-bhānda-stham alanghya-çankau prātar-jighatsayā. 90 suptasya 'atra ca tasya 'aham, vilena 'antah praviçya, tat dattordhva-jhampo nihçesham anaisham pratiyāmini. 91

kadâcit tatra tasya 'âgât suhrit pravrâjako 'paraḥ, bhuktottaram samam tena kathâm râtrau sa ca 'akarot. 92 tâvad netum pravritte 'nnam mayi, jarjarakeṇa saḥ pravrâḍ avâdayad datta-karṇas tad bhâṇḍakam muhuḥ. 93