diganta-vyāpi-vistāram, pratibimbam iva 'ātmanaḥ drashtum trailokya-lakshmyā 'iva vihitam maṇidarpaṇam; 13 dhārtarāshtra-krita-kshobham vicitrārjuna-vibhramam viçrānti-krit svādu-rasam, Bhāratānukritim dadhat; 14 upakaṇtha-milad-Nîlakaṇtha-pîta-vishottamam Acyutāçrita-Lakshmîkam mantha-kālābdhi-saṃnibham; 15 sūrya-raçmibhir aprāpta-gambhîra-çiçirāntaram, Ananta-padma-nilayam Pātālam iva bhūmi-gam. 16

tasya tîre ca sarasah paçcime sa vyalokayat râjaputrah sasacivo mahântam divya-pâdapam, 17 vâtậndolita-vistâri-çâkhâ-bhuja-kadambakam, mûrdha-lagnậbhra-saritam, nrityantam iva Çankaram; 18 atyunnatena çirasâ vyoma-prishṭhậvagâhinâ kautukàd Nandanodyâna-çobhâm drashṭum iva 'udyatam; 19 çobhamânam phalair divya-rasaih çâkhậvalambibhih, kalpadrumam surậnaddhaih pîyûsha-kalaçair iva; 20 c ma mâm yathâ tathâ kaçcit prâkshîd!» iti khagậravaih vyâharantam iva prenkhat-pallavậgrakaram muhuh. 21

yavad Mrigankadattas tam sa nirvarnayati prabhuh, tavat tad-mantrinas tasmin pradhavya kshut-trishaturah 22 phalani bhoktum arudhas tasya drishtvaiva tani te, phalatvam shad api prapta manusha apy açankitam. 23 tato Mrigankadattas tan apaçyan vihvalah sakhin, ekaikam sa tatas tatra namagraham açabdayat. 24 yada dadur na vacanam, na ca 'adriçyanta te kvacit, tada «ha ha! hato 'smi!» 'iti nairaçya-vidhuram vadan, 25 sa rajaputro nyapatad murchito 'tra mahîtale, drumanarudha-parçvastha-kevala-Çrutadhi-dvijah. 26

Crutadhih sa ca vipras tam uvâca 'âçvàsya tatkshanam: «kritaprajño 'pi kim, deva, tyakta-dhairyo 'vasîdasi? 27 «açnute sa hi kalyâṇam, vyasane yo na muhyati. « Någa-çapa-viyuktan kim na 'etan sampraptavan asi? 28 « tathaiva punar apy etàn mantrino 'nyanç ca lapsyase, « Çaçânkavatyâ samyogo 'py acirât te bhavishyati. » 29 evam Çrutadhinâ 'uktah san, rajaputro jagada sah: «kuta etad idam dhâtrâ nâcâya sûtritam bi nah? 30 «kva 'anyathâ niçi Vetâlah? kva ca Bhîmaparâkramah? «kva Çaçânkavatî-jñânam tat-samvâda-prasangatah? 31 «tâm ca prâptum Ayodhyâtah kva so 'smâkam vinirgamah? «Vindhyậṭavyâm kva ca 'anyonya-viyogo Nâga-çâpatah? 32 «tatah katipayanam nah kramaçah kva ca samgamah? «kva ca 'adhuna viyogo 'yam ishta-tyagah punah, sakhe? 33 «te hi vrikshe 'tra Bhûtena grastâs, taiç ca vinâ mama «kâ Çaçânkavatî, kim ca jîvitam? tad alam bhramaih!» 34 ity ûcivanc cuca so 'tra sarasy atmanam ujjhitum Mrigankadatta uttasthau, Crutadhau varayaty api. 35