

महामोहग्राहग्रसनगलित्मावगमनो
धियो नानावस्थां स्वयमभिनयंस्तदुणतया ।
अपारे संसारे विषयविषपूरे जलनिधौ
निमज्ज्योन्मज्जायं भ्रमति कुमतिः कुत्सितगतिः ॥ १४१ ॥

*mahāmohagrāhagrasanagalitātāvagamano
dhiyo nānāvasthāṁ svayamabhinayaṁstadguṇatayā,
apāre saṁsāre viṣayaviṣapūre jalanidhau
nimajjyonmajjāyaṁ bhramati kumatih kutsitagatih. (141)*

141. *An individual who has a perverted intellect, whose knowledge of his Self has been swallowed by the shark of complete ignorance, behaves as though the different states of his intellect were the natures of the Self and drills up and down, now rising and now sinking, on the ocean of change which is full of the poison of sense pleasures. Indeed, what a calamitous fate!*

When an individual's Self-knowledge is swallowed up by the shark of delusion (tamas), he dances to the tune of his intellect according to the various conditions of its likes and dislikes, just as a drunkard behaves forgetting that he is a decent respectable man.

Depending upon the innate individual tendencies (vāsanās) various thoughts arise in a man and he is compelled to act according to their dictates. His condition becomes like that of a neglected boat in a stormy ocean. In the ocean of saṁsāra which is whipped up by waves of dangerous and poisonous sense enchantments, this neglected boat is tossed about now rising now sinking. This ocean of saṁsāra is indeed, very difficult to cross.

Thus, when a man acts in the world outside, his actions accumulate more and more vāsanās and create more and more thoughts. More the thoughts, more is the activity and more are the fresh vāsanās generated, and entangled in an endless chain of activity, man suffers.