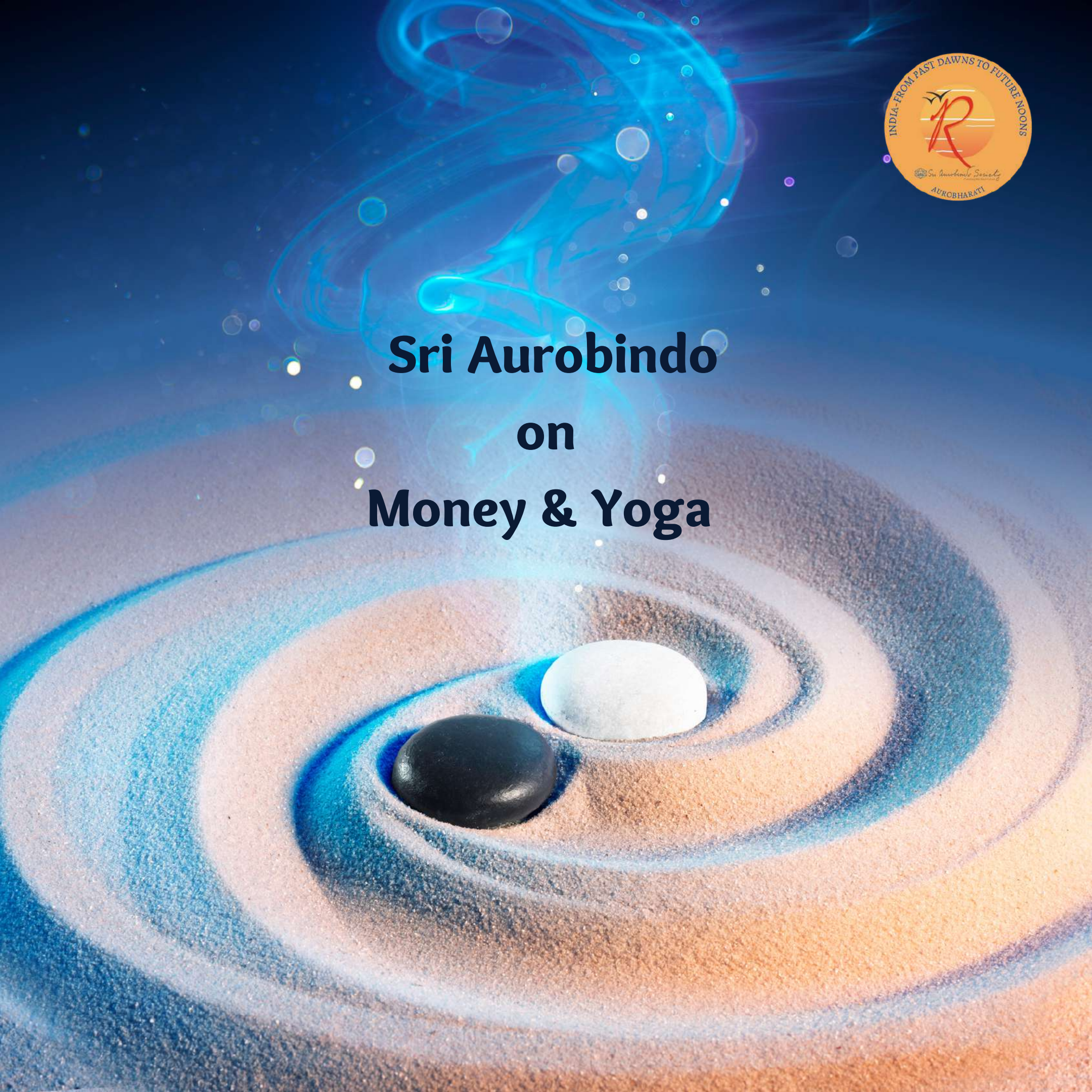
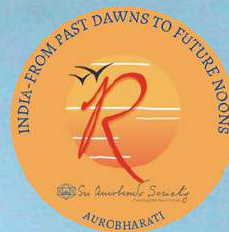




# **Sri Aurobindo on Money & Yoga**







**Generous Wealth**  
*Likes to be given and  
spread far and wide.*

**Money is the visible sign of a universal force, and this force in its manifestation on earth works on the vital and physical planes and is indispensable to the fullness of the outer life.**

Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 32: 10



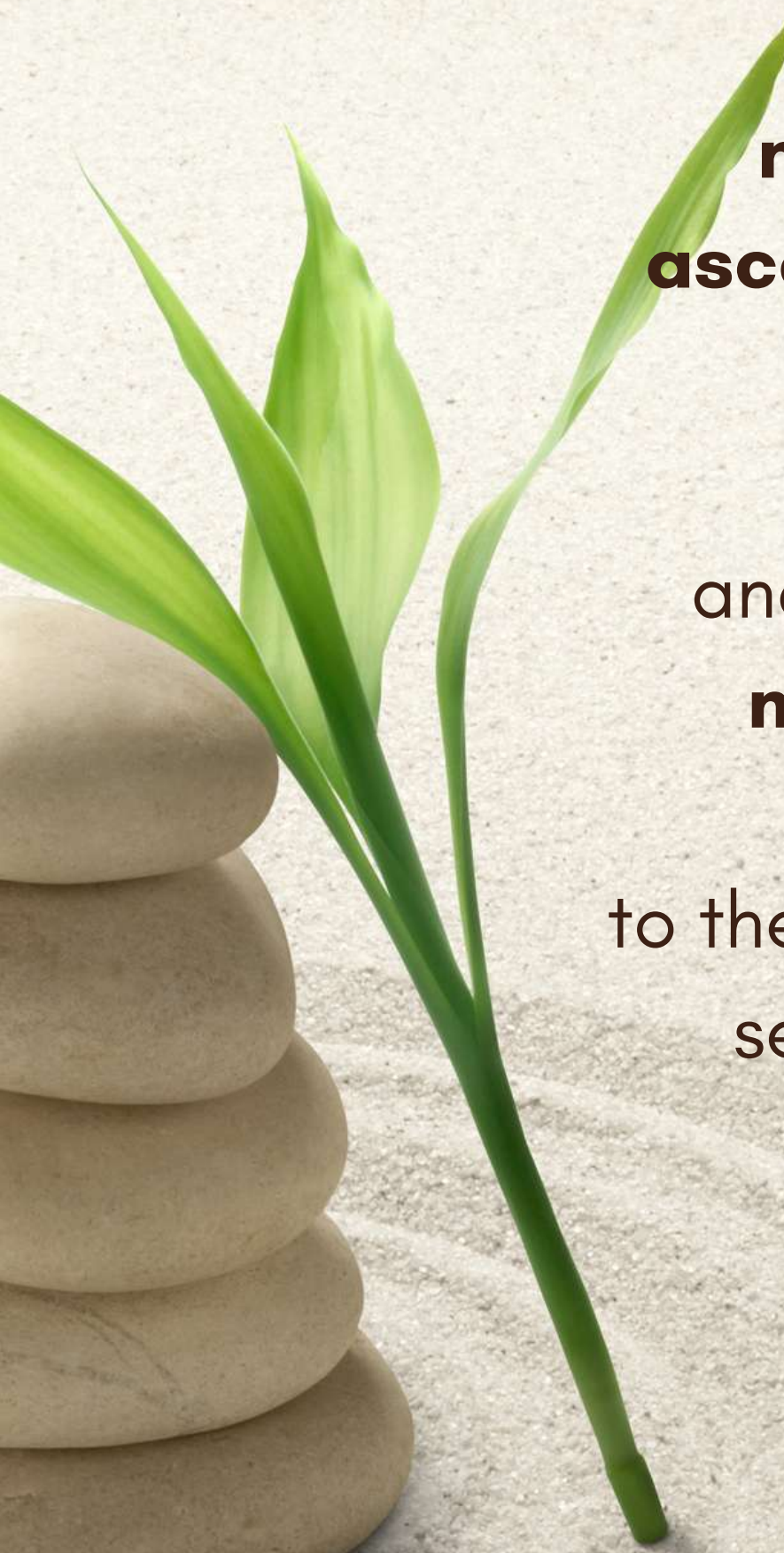
**In its origin and its true action it [money] belongs to the Divine. But like other powers of the Divine it is delegated here and in the ignorance of the lower Nature can be usurped for the uses of the ego or held by Asuric influences and perverted to their purpose. . .**

**To reconquer it for the Divine to whom it belongs and use it divinely for the divine life is the supramental way for the Sadhaka.**

~ Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 32: 10





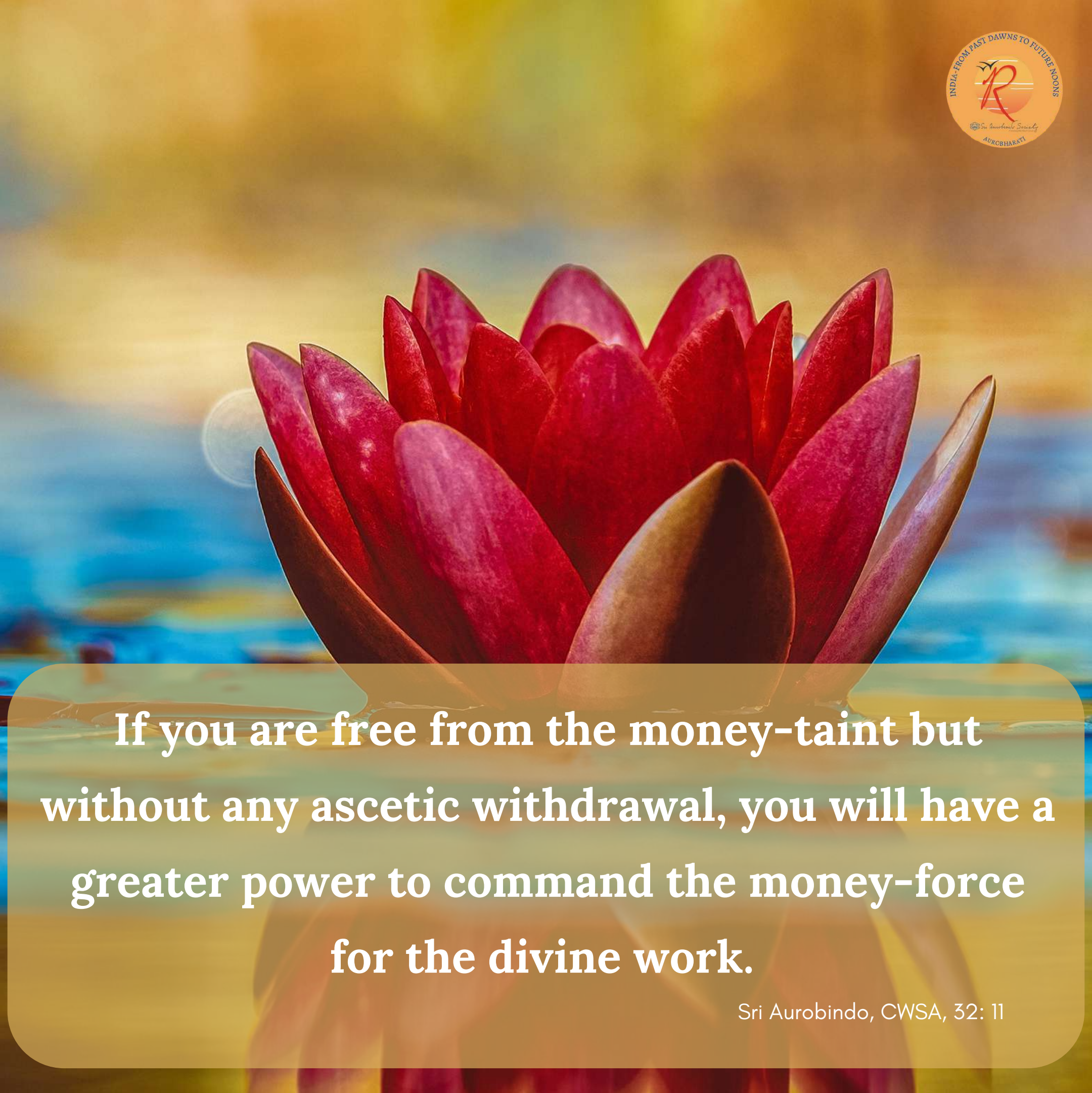


You must  
**neither turn with an  
ascetic shrinking from the  
money power,**  
the means it gives  
and the objects it brings,  
**nor cherish a rajasic  
attachment**  
to them or a spirit of enslaving  
self-indulgence in their  
gratifications.

**- Sri Aurobindo**  
(CWSA, 32: 10)

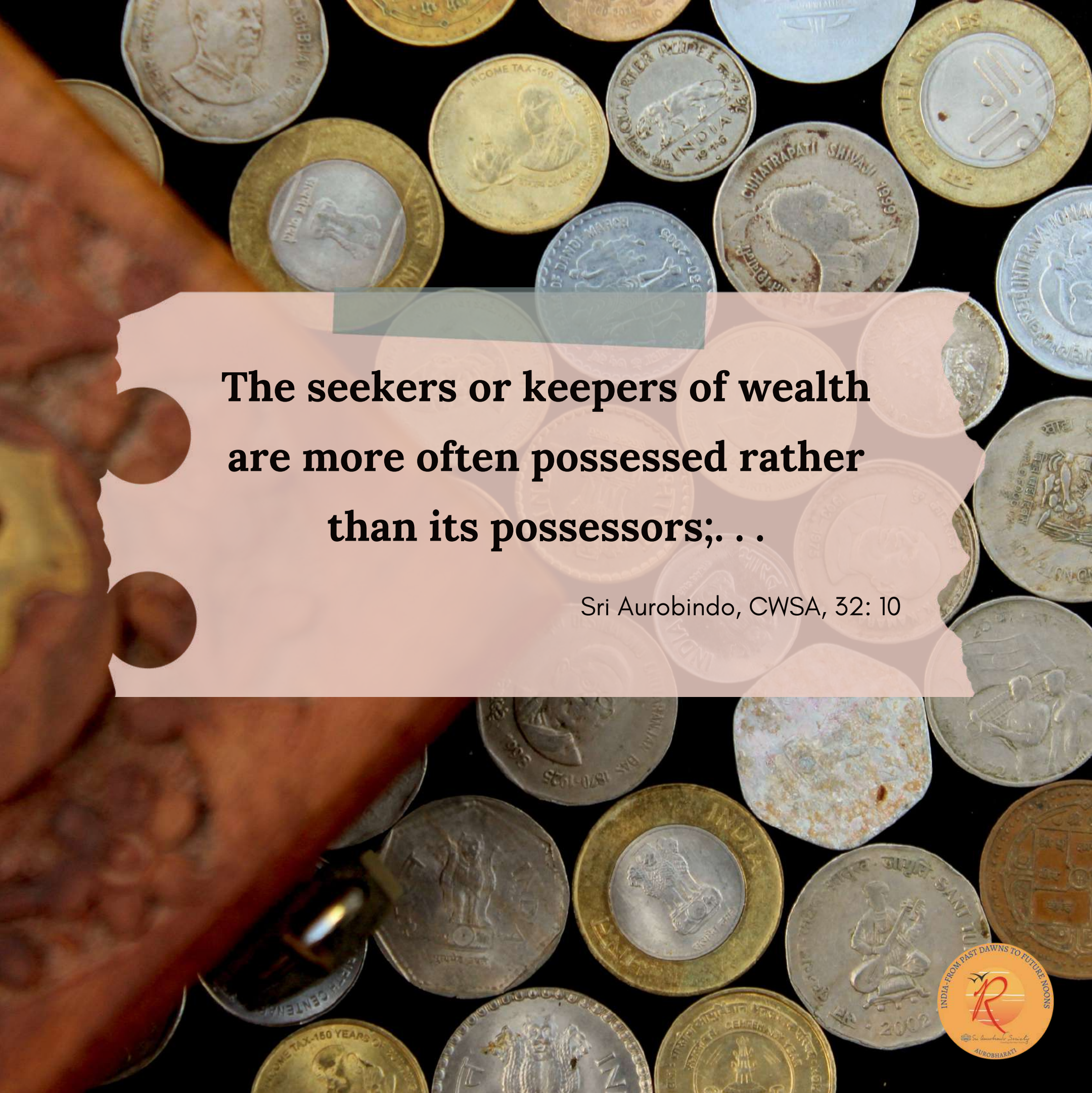






**If you are free from the money-taint but  
without any ascetic withdrawal, you will have a  
greater power to command the money-force  
for the divine work.**



The background of the slide is a close-up photograph of numerous Indian coins of various denominations and types, including silver, gold, and bimetallic coins. Some coins feature the Ashoka Lion Capital, the Lion Capital of Ashoka, and the Ashoka Lion Capital. A hand is visible on the left side, holding a coin. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent pink rectangular area.

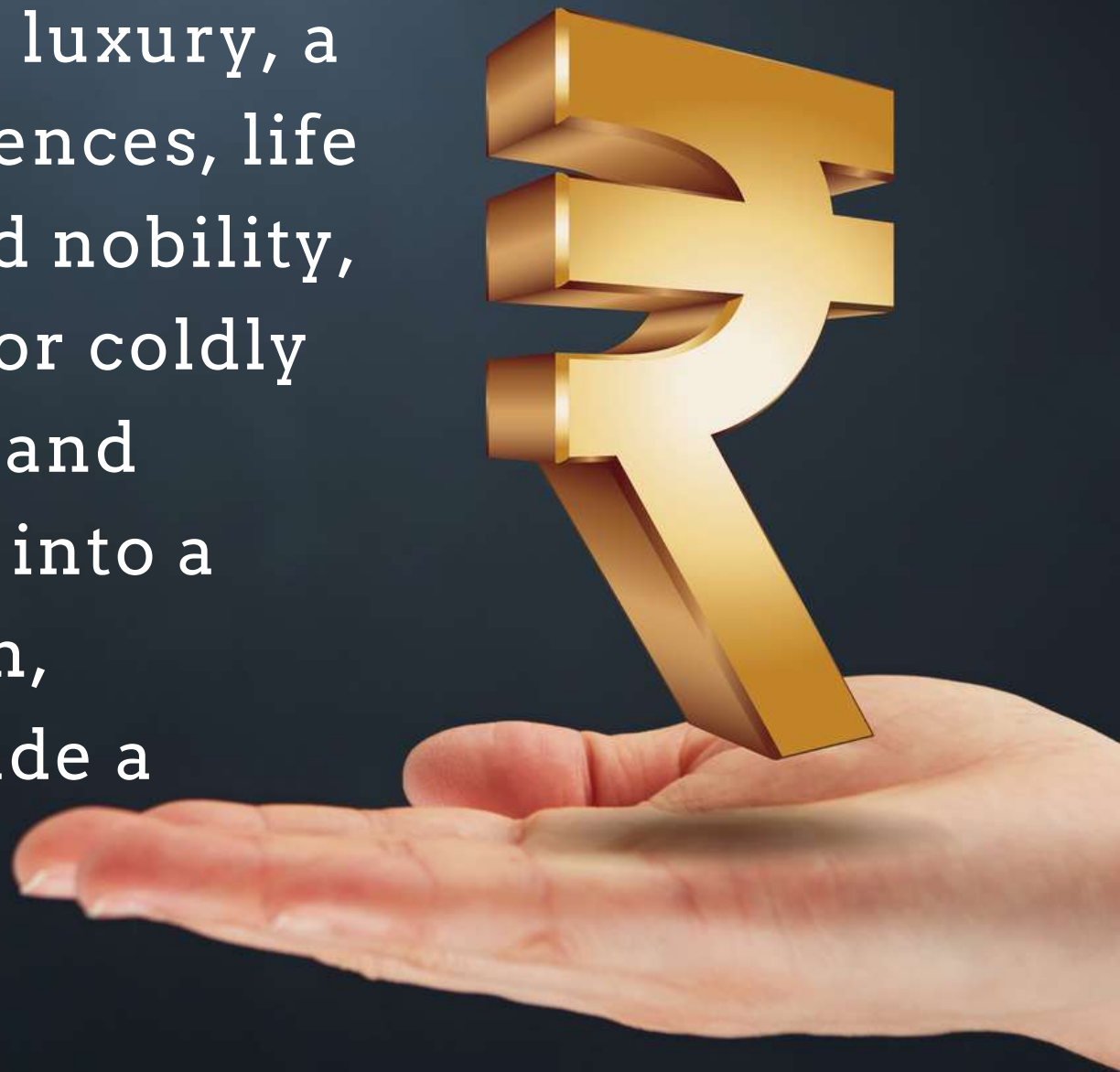
**The seekers or keepers of wealth  
are more often possessed rather  
than its possessors;. . .**

Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 32: 10



The accumulation of wealth and more wealth, the adding of possessions to possessions, opulence, show, pleasure, a cumbrous inartistic luxury, a plethora of conveniences, life devoid of beauty and nobility, religion vulgarised or coldly formalised, politics and government turned into a trade and profession, enjoyment itself made a business, this is commercialism.

Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 25: 80







## THE AIM OF A SPIRITUALISED SOCIETY'S ECONOMICS

would be not to create a huge engine of production, whether of the competitive or the cooperative kind, but to give to men—not only to some but to all men each in his highest possible measure—the joy of work according to their own nature and free leisure to grow inwardly, as well as a simply rich and beautiful life for all.

~ Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 25: 257





**All depends on the spirit**  
in which a thing is done, the  
principle on which  
it is built and use to  
which it is turned.

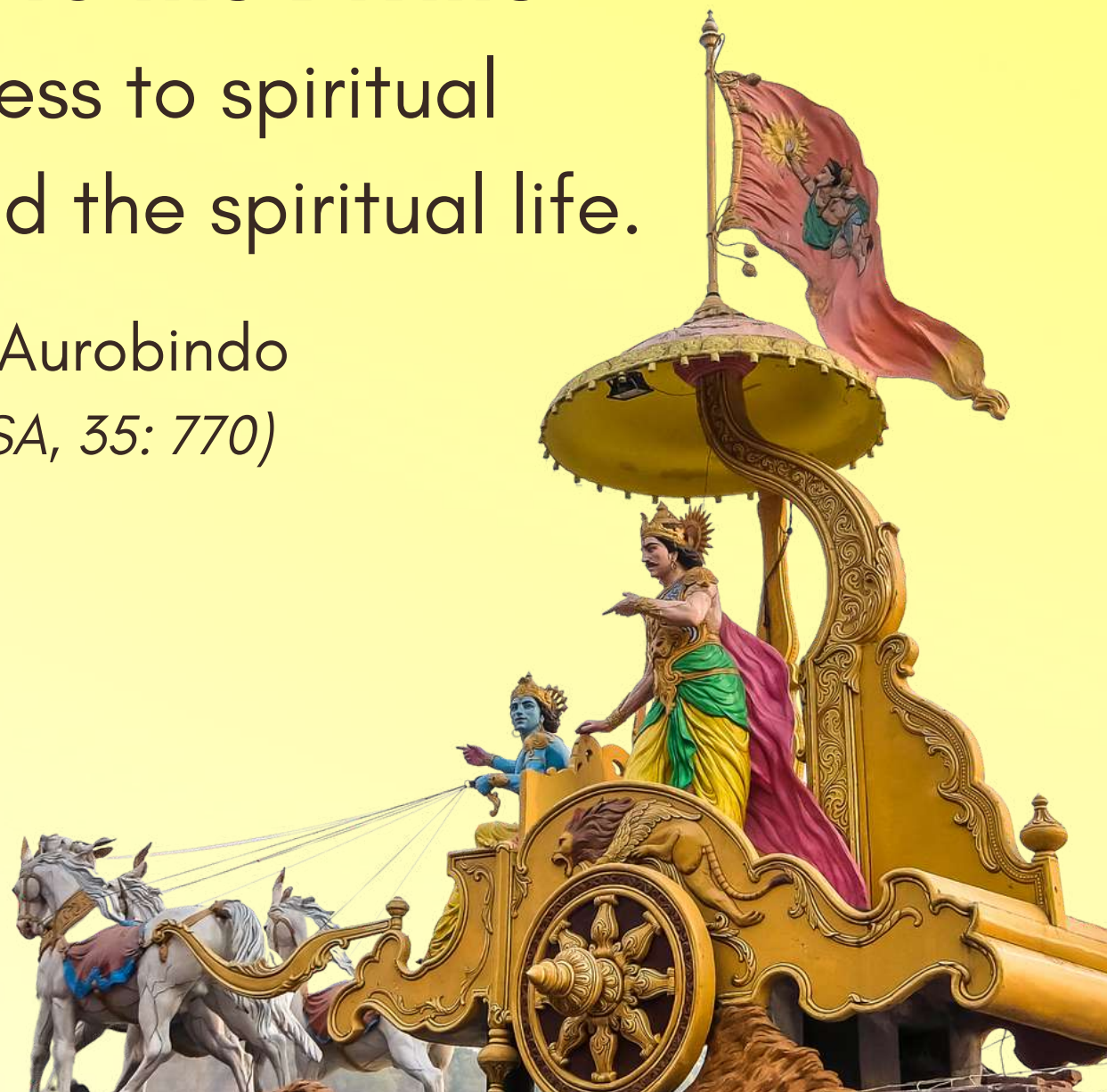
– Sri Aurobindo (CWSA, 35: 770)





This is the traditional Indian attitude towards these things, that all work can be done if it is done according to the dharma and, if it is rightly done,  
**it does not prevent the approach to the Divine**  
or the access to spiritual knowledge and the spiritual life.

– Sri Aurobindo  
(CWSA, 35: 770)





Nothing must be looked on as a  
belonging (अपरिग्रहः) or as a thing to be  
gained or lost, but all as things sent  
and taken away for *ananda*.

~ Sri Aurobindo, CWSA, 11: 1287



**Integral Wealth of Mahalakshmi**  
*Wealth in all domains and all activities, intellectual,  
psychological, material, in feeling and action.*