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Walt 3252 When a stupa was being built,

various perfumes were gathered.

Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

I gave a handful of incense. Verse 1

Walt 3253 In the hundred thousand aeons

since I worshipped that stupa then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of stupa-pūjā. Verse 2

Walt 3254 My being in Buddha’s presence

was a very good thing for me.

The three knowledges are attained;

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 3

Walt 3255 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 4

Walt 3256 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Thus indeed Venerable Gandhamuṭṭhiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Gandhamuṭṭhiya Thera is finished.

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