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The Legends of the Therīs

2. Mekhalādāyikā

Walt 20 I had a stupa constructed

for Siddhattha, the Blessed One.

I gifted my waist ornament

so the Teacher could be repaired. Verse 1

Walt 21 When that great stupa was finished,

I gave another ornament

for the Sage, the Guide of the World,

feeling well-pleased by my own hands. Verse 2

Walt 22 In the ninety-four aeons since

I gave that waist-ornament then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of building stupas. Verse 3

Walt 23 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 4

Walt 24 Being in Best Buddha's presence

was a very good thing for me.

The three knowledges are attained;

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Walt 25 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Bhikkhunī Mekhalādāyikā Therī spoke these verses.

The legend of Mekhalādāyikā Therī is finished.

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