Ja 186 — The Story about (King) Dadhivāhana

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Vaṇṇagandharasūpeto, amboyaṁ ahuvā pure,

Tam-eva pūjaṁ labhamāno, kenambo kaṭukapphalo ti?

Verse 1 — English

This mango was previously endowed with colour, fragrance, taste, was received with honour, why is this mango now a bitter fruit?

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Pucimandaparivāro ambo te Dadhivāhana,

Mūlaṁ mūlena saṁsaṭṭhaṁ, sākhā sākhā nisevare,

Asātasannivāsena tenambo kaṭukapphalo ti.

Verse 2 — English

Dadhivāhana, your mango is surrounded by nimba trees, the roots are mixed up with roots, the branches are entwined with branches, through association with the bad the mango has bitter fruit.