Ja 269 — The Story about (Visākhā’s Sister) Sujātā

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Na hi vaṇṇena sampannā mañjukā piyadassanā,

Kharavācā piyā honti, asmiṁ loke paramhi ca.

Verse 1 — English

Though being endowed with beauty, pleasing and good-looking, those with rough voices are not dear, in this world or the next.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Nanu passasimaṁ kāḷiṁ, dubbaṇṇaṁ tilakāhataṁ,

Kokilaṁ saṇhabhāṇena, bahūnaṁ pāṇinaṁ piyaṁ.

Verse 2 — English

Surely you must see this one, who is black, ugly, mottled with spots, the cuckoo, because of his soft voice, is dear to many creatures.

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. Tasmā sakhilavācassa, mantabhāṇī anuddhato,

Atthaṁ Dhammañ-ca dīpeti, madhuraṁ tassa bhāsitan-ti.

Verse 3 — English

Therefore for the one of kind voice, a wise speaker, and not haughty, who explains both the Dhamma and its meaning, his is a sweet speech.