Ja 276 — The Story about the Righteousness of the Kurus

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Tava saddhañ-ca sīlañ-ca viditvāna janādhipa,

Vaṇṇaṁ añjanavaṇṇena Kāliṅgasmiṁ nimimhase ti.

Verse 1 — English

Knowing your faith and your virtue, ruler of the people, we did exchange gold in Kaliṅga with the collyrium-coloured one.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Annabhaccā cabhaccā ca, yodha uddissa gacchati,

Sabbe te appaṭikkhippā, pubbācariyavaco idaṁ.

Verse 2 — English

Dependents or non-dependents, he who comes here for my sake, all of them are acceptable, this was my former teachers' word.

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. Dadāmi vo brāhmaṇā nāgam-etaṁ,

Rājārahaṁ rājabhoggaṁ yasassinaṁ,

Alaṅkataṁ hemajālābhichannaṁ,

Sasārathiṁ gacchatha yenakāman-ti.

Verse 3 — English

This elephant I give to you, brahmin, suitable, useful for a king, famous, decorated, covered with golden chains, with a driver, go wherever you will.