Ja 285 — The Story about the Jewel and the Pigs

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Dariyā satta vassāni tiṁsamattā vasāmase,

Haññāma maṇino ābhaṁ, iti no mantaraṁ ahu.

Source note 1.1 (Pali source)

= mantāraṁ, -ă- is shortened m.c.

Verse 1 — English

Inside the cave for seven years at least thirty of us do dwell, we will destroy the crystal light, thus for us there was a wise one.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Yāvatā maṇiṁ ghaṁsāma bhiyyo vodāyate maṇi,

Idañ-cadāni pucchāma: kiṁ kiccaṁ idha mañña̍sī ti?

Verse 2 — English

In whatever way we rub the crystal it becomes more clear, now we ask you about this: what do you think ought to be done here?

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. Ayaṁ maṇi veḷuriyo akāco vimalo subho,

Nāssa sakkā siriṁ hantuṁ, apakkamatha sūkarā ti.

Verse 3 — English

This precious crystal, that is flawless, unblemished and brilliant, nothing is able to destroy its light, O boars, you must depart.