Ja 299 — The Story about (the Brahmin’s Son) Komāraputta

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Text

Verse 1 — Pali source

1. Pure tuvaṁ sīlavataṁ sakāse,

Okkantikaṁ kīḷasi assamamhi,

Karohare makkaṭiyāni makkaṭa,

Na taṁ mayaṁ sīlavataṁ ramāmā ti.

Verse 1 — English

Before your character in our presence, you played repeatedly in this hermitage, monkey, come on, make a monkey’s grimace, we don’t find delight in your character.

Verse 2 — Pali source

2. Sutā hi mayhaṁ paramā visuddhi,

Komāraputtassa bahussutassa,

Mā dāni maṁ maññi tuvaṁ yathā pure,

Jhānānuyutto viharāmi, āvuso ti.

Verse 2 — English

By me the supreme purity was heard, from the well learnèd Komāraputta, now don’t think of me as previously, I live engaged in meditation, friend.

Verse 3 — Pali source

3. Sace pi selasmi vapeyya bījaṁ,

Devo ca vasse na hi taṁ virūḷhe,

Sutā hi te sā paramā visuddhi,

Ārā tuvaṁ makkaṭa jhānabhūmiyā ti.

Verse 3 — English

If you should sew a seed upon a rock, the Deva might rain, but it will not grow. By you the supreme purity was heard, far from you, monkey, is absorption’s ground.