# Mil 3.1.16 — 16. Production of One Result from Various Mental States Question

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## Text

Milinda’s Questions

Great Chapter

16. Production of One Result from Various Mental States Question

The king asked: “Venerable Nāgasena, do these mental states, though being diverse, produce the one result?” “Yes, your majesty, these mental states, though being diverse, do produce the one result; they kill the defilements.”

“How is it, venerable sir, these mental states, though being diverse, produce the one result, and kill the defilements? Please give me an analogy.” “Just as, your majesty, an army is diverse, and its elephants, horses, chariots, and foot-soldiers produce the one result; they conquer an opposing army in battle, in the same way, your majesty, these mental states, though being diverse, produce the one result; they kill the defilements.”

“You are clever, Venerable Nāgasena!”

Production of One Result from Various Mental States Question sixteenth

Great Chapter first

In this chapter sixteen questions