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Theravāda Collection on Monastic Law

The Great Analysis

The chapter on training

The subchapter on evenly all around

Not being well-covered

Origin story

At one time the Buddha was staying at Sāvatthī in the Jeta Grove, Anāthapiṇḍika's Monastery. At that time the monks from the group of six did not cover their bodies while sitting in inhabited areas. …

Final ruling

"'I will be well-covered while sitting in inhabited areas,' this is how you should train."

One should be well-covered while sitting in an inhabited area. If a monk, out of disrespect, does not cover his body while sitting in an inhabited area, he commits an offense of wrong conduct.

Non-offenses

There is no offense: if it is unintentional; if he is not mindful; if he does not know; if he is sick; if he has entered his dwelling; if there is an emergency; if he is insane; if he is the first offender.

The fourth training rule is finished.