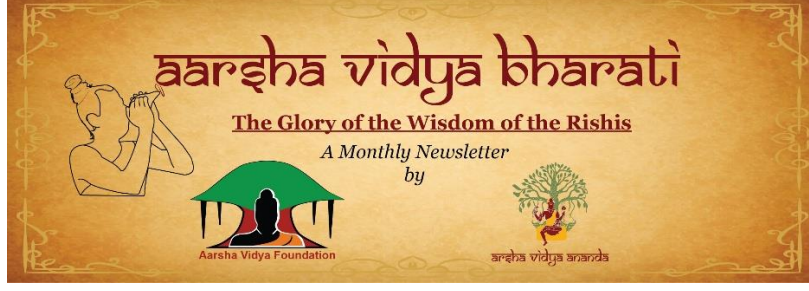

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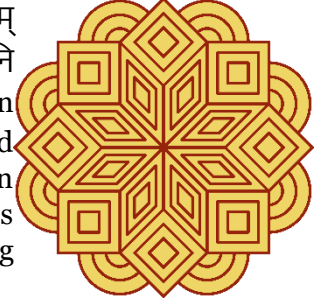
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Subhāśitam

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सुभाषितम् (*subhāśitam*) is the joinder of सु (*su* - good) + भाषितम् (*bhāśitam* - spoken) meaning “eloquently said”. सुभाषितानि (*subhāśitāni* (plural)), which form a cardinal section of *Saṃskṛtam* literature, convey the values, principles of dharma and the teachings of life in a poetic and most direct way. They leave an impact and imprint on us like etching on rocks. These short writings could be full of humour, sadness, sarcasm, valour and so on, invoking emotions which provoke further thought on the subject.



This *subhāśitam* is from नीतिशतकम् (*Nītiśatakam*), the finest work of भर्तृहरि (*Bhartrhari*).

क्वचिद्भूमौ शय्या क्वचिदपि च पर्यङ्कशयनम् ।
क्वचिच्छाकाहारी क्वचिदपि च शाल्योदनरुचिः ।
क्वचित्कन्याधारी क्वचिदपि च दिव्याम्बरधरो ।
मनस्वी कार्यार्थी न गणयति दुःखं न च सुखम् ॥

kvacidbhūmau śayyā kvacidapi ca paryāṅkaśayanam |

kvacicchākāhārī kvacidapi ca śālyodanaruciḥ |

kvacitkanyādharī kvacidapi ca divyāambaradhara |

manasvī kāryārthī na gaṇayati duḥkaṁ na ca sukham ||

Sometimes sleeps on the floor or sometimes on the well laid bed. Sometimes eats vegetables or sometimes special boiled shaali rice. Sometimes wears a rag or sometimes celestial garments. A determined person, focused on the tasks on hand, does not pay heed to pain or pleasure.

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