Sanskrit Lesson

From the VajraSutra

continued from issue #217

अंघ खवायुष्पान्म्यातेस्त्थायासनाद् हकांसम्नत्रासङ्गं कृत्वा दन्निणं जान्-मण्डलं पृथिन्यां प्रतिष्ठाप्य येन भगवांस्तेनाज्ञलिं प्रणस्य भगवत्तम् हतद्वीचत्

ATHA KHALV ĀYUŞMĀN SUBHŪTIR UTTHĀYĀSANĀD EKĀMSAM UTTARĀSANĀGAM KRĪVĀ DAKŞĪŅAM JĀNU-MAŅĀLAM PRHILVYĀM PRATIŞĪHĀPYA YENA BHAGAVĀMS TENĀNJALIM PRAŅAMYA BHAGAVANTAM ETAD AVOCAT... Then the Elder Subhuti, having arisen from his seat, having bared one shoulder of his upper garment, and having placed his palms together before the World Honored One, said to the World Honored One...

ANSWERS TO LAST LESSON'S SANDHI EXERCISES

- 1. uttāyāsanāt 5. uttarāsangam
- 2. anjalim 6. uttāyāsanāt
- 3. khalvāyuşmān 7. a) subhūtiķ
- 4. bhagavāms b) subhūtir
 - 8. daksinam

Having discussed the operation of rules for sound combination (sandhi) illustrated in the text of the sentence which began in VBS issue #212, we can go on to consider the grammar and the vocabulary. Some of the words and the grammatical constructions are already familiar from previous lessons. For atha khalu (atha khalu), see VBS #181. For ayusman subhūtin (subhūtis), see VBS #197, #198, and #199. For eka, see VBS #195. For gerunds in general, of which there are four in the text, see VBS #180, #181. For the form of the gerund from root \(\frac{k}{k} \)- when it has a prefix, see VBS # 195. For bhagavantam, see VBS #192.

STUDENT PRACTICE EXERCISES BASED ON THOSE PREVIOUS SANSKRIT LESSONS IN VBS

- 1. What is the meaning of eka?
- 2. What is the meaning of daksina?

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- 3. What is the gerund from root \sqrt{kr} , when it has a prefix?
- 4. What case, number and gender is the word bhagavantam?
- 5. What is the meaning and usage of atha khalu?
- 6. What is the meaning of ayusman and how is it formed?
- 7. What are the three meanings of subhūti based on the Sanskrit?
- 8. What case, number and gender are āyuşmān subhūtin, and what parts of speech are they (nouns, verbs, adjectives, conjunctions, etc.)?
- 9. What do you think are the four gerunds in the text? (Refer to the the text as given in the previous lessons which show the forms of the words before external sandhi has taken place if necessary.)
- 10. What do you think is the main (finite) verb of the sentence?