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Sanskrit Lesson #69

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त एकेन पुरोभक्तेन कोटिशतसहस्रँ बुद्धानाँ वन्दन्त्यन्याँहोकधातून्गत्वा ।

Ta ekena purobhaktena koṭiśatasahasraṃ buddhānāṃ vandantyanyāṃllokadhātūngatvā

於朝食頃,禮拜他方十萬億佛

.... they, in the time of a single breakfast, worship a hundred thousand kotis of Buddhas, having gone to other world-systems.

上一期提到在極樂世界的眾生,這一期就說 te^{t} 「他們」ekena purobhaktena「在一頓」 $(eka \lceil - \rfloor)$ 早餐 $purobhakta^2$ 的時間,「禮拜」 $vandanti^3$ $kotiśatasahasram^{4.5}$ 「一百」fata (f-f) fata (f-f) fata f

- 1.尾音 -e 在 ekena 的首字 e- 之前改成 -a , te 是 代名詞的語尾變化中的主格、複數、陽性代 名詞。
- 2. 二個字都是助格、單數、中性。
- 3. 是字根 √vand-「禮拜、讚歎」的第三人稱, 複數,現在式主動語態陳述語氣。
- 4. koṭi 是陰性名詞,代表 100 個 lakṣa lakh,一個 lakh 是等於十萬億,所以一個 koṭi 是一千萬。

The previous lesson discussed the living beings who are born in the Land of Happiness. This lesson says te they¹ ekena purobhaktena in (the time of) a single (eka one) breakfast (purobhakta²) vandanti worship³ koṭiśatasahasraṃ a hundred (śata) thousand (sahasra) koṭi's (koṭi)⁴ 5 buddhānāṃ of Buddhas⁶, gatvā having gone to⁻ anyān other⁶ lokadhātūn world-systems⁶. Note how Sanskrit differs from English in tending to put verbs at the end of their phrases. Using their spiritual penetrations, the residents of the Land of Happiness, in the short period of time it takes to eat a meal—perhaps half an hour—are able to go to other world systems and worship that many Buddhas.

- 1. The final -e of te becomes -a before the following e- of ekena. Te is nominative plural masculine of the pronominal declension.
- 2. Both words are instrumental singular neuter.
- 3. 3rd person plural, present active indicative from root √vand- greet/ worship/praise.
- koți is a feminine noun representing 100 lakșa lakh. One lakh is 100,000, so one koți is 10,000,000.



- 5.這個複合字是受格、單數、陰性,爲 vandanti 的直接受詞。
- 6.是屬格、複數、陽性。
- 7. 字根 √gam-「去」的動名詞加受格。
- 8.尾音變化 a) vandanti尾 音在 anyān 之前改成 y。b) 而 anyān 尾音 -n 在 l 之前改成 ml 兩者都是變化有規則的。 anyān 是受格多數,陽性配合 lokadhātūn。
- 9. 受格(是動詞的直接受詞)多數,陽性。

- 5. The compound is accusative singular neuter, direct object of vandanti.
- 6. Genitive plural masculine.
- 7. Gerund from root \sqrt{gam} go (to) + accusative.
- 8. Note the sound changes: a) The final —i of vandanti became —y before the a- of anyān, b) The final —n of anyān became —ml before the following l-. Both are regular. Anyān is accusative plural masculine modifying lokadhātūn.
- 9. Accusative (direct object of motion) plural masculine.



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「以偈寄王曙侍郎」,寫一首偈頌給當時一個侍郎,是一個很大的官, 寄給他;「其略曰」,大略是這麼說的:「吾年八十五」,我已經活到 八十五歲,「修因至如此」,我修的因就這樣子,「問我歸何處」,你 要問我到什麼地方去,「頂相終難睹」,在這無見頂相誰也看不見的地 方。我到什麼地方去?我到那個沒有罣礙的地方去。

「停筆而化」,把筆停住了,就這麼圓寂了,「塔於本山」。

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the Master sent a verse to the minister Wang Shu, who was a great official at that time, the contents of which read: In my eighty-five years, the causes I have cultivated have brought me to this point. I have lived for eighty-five years, and the causes I have cultivated are just like this. You ask me where I'm about to return to. The appearance of the summit is not easily visible. If you ask me where I am heading for, I am going to a place where the summit is not easy to see. Nobody can see it; I am going to the place of no-attachment.

At that point, his brush stopped, and he passed into the stillness. His stupa was erected on that mountain. Then he stopped writing with his brush, and passed into quiescence. His stupa was built near Dayang Monastery.

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