

## SANSKRIT LESSON #101

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## यदा स कुलपुत्रो वा कुलदुहिता वा कालँ करिष्यित तस्य कालँ कुर्वतः सो ऽमितायुस्तथागतः श्रावकसङ्घपरिवृतो बोधिसत्त्वगणपुरस्कृतः पुरतः स्थास्यति°

yadÁ sa kulaputro vÁ kuladuhitÁ vÁ kÁla× kariçyati tasya kÁla× kurvataË so 'mitÁyus tathÁgataË ärÁvakasaÚghaparivàto bodhisattvagaÜapuraskàtaË purataË sthÁsyati . . .

. . . when that good man or good woman ends (his or her) life, that Thus Come One Limitless Life will stand before him (or her) as he (or she) ends his (or her) life, surrounded by an assembly of Sound Hearers and attended by a host of Bodhisattvas . . .

其人臨命終時,阿彌陀佛與諸聖衆現在其前。

前兩課開始了長句說,若有善男子善女人,聞說阿彌陀佛,執持名號,若一日乃至若七日,一心不亂現在我們將查明,會發生什麼事情。當 YadA 那個 sa 善男子kulaputro或 vA 善女人 kuladuhitA(請參閱第九十九課,本刊第 446 期)臨命終時kAla× kariçyati。字面上,kariçyati是未來式直陳、主動、第三人稱、單數、源於字根作、行爲 √kà 。在此陽性名詞時 kAla× 爲直接賓語。 kAla× 是字幹 kAla- 的對格單數。一個人所配給的時間是其死亡的時間。這句成語的意思是其人臨命終時。

The previous two lessons began a long sentence that said if a good man or good woman recites the name of Amita Buddha with one mind unconfused for from one to seven days—and now we find out what happens. YadÁ when sa that kulaputro good man (vÁ...) vÁ or kuladuhitÁ good woman (see Lesson 99, VBS #446) kÁla× kariçyati ends (his or her) life ... Literally kariçyati is future indicate active third person singular from root  $\sqrt{k}$ A do/make, here with the masculine noun kAla× time as its direct object, and so accusative singular of the stem kAla-. One's allotted time is the time of death, and so this idiom means to die.

At that time, so that tathÁgataÉ Thus Come One amitÁyus Limitless Life (see previous lessons for discussion) sthÁsyati will stand—future indicative active third person singular from root  $\sqrt{sthÁ}$ - stand—purataÉ before tasya him



在那時候,阿彌陀amitÁyus(見前幾堂課的討論)如 來 tathÁgataË 將出現、站 sthÁsyati —未來式、直陳、第 三人稱、單數,源於字根留住居置、住、居、置、 √sthA- 一在其(或她一指示代名詞的屬格、單數、陽 性,隨前置詞 purata E而定) tasya前、於面前,在其臨 命 kÁla×終時, kÁla×在這句短語是 kurvataË ,源於字 根作、行爲√kà,現在式、主動分詞的直接賓語。所以 這是同一個成語。這個分詞照字面意義是作,所以結尾 與 tasya`一致,是屬格、單數、陽性。那時候阿彌陀佛 與諸聖眾 ärÁvaka-saÚgha-parivàto (parivàto 源於字根包 / 遮障√và-,完成式被動分詞、主格、單數、陽性。及前 綴圓、遍pari-) 那個複合詞,要向後追溯到底佛是被誰 所圍繞:聲聞眾 är Ávaka 。佛亦爲諸菩薩眾所侍奉 bodhisattva-gaÜa-puraskàtaË。注意那兩個複合詞是以同 樣的方式形成。 kàtaÉ 是源於字根作、行爲√kà-的完成 式被動分詞、主格、單數、陽性,加上無語尾變化的 puras , pura可在複合詞及 purata E 見到 , 意義是前、在 面前,這又是個成語,字面意義是出現在其面前。

當那個一心念阿彌陀佛的人的生命到了盡頭的時候,阿彌陀佛與諸聲聞及菩薩眾會現在其前。下一課將會敘述其他將要發生的事情。

(or her—genitive singular masculine of the demonstrative pronoun, dependent on the preposition  $purata\vec{E}$ )  $kurvata\vec{E}$  as he (or she) ends (his or her)  $kAla \times life$ .  $KAla \times life$  in this phrase is direct object of the present active participle  $kurvata\vec{E}$  from root  $\sqrt{ka}$ - do/make, and so this is the same idiom. The participle means literally making, hence ending, and is genitive singular masculine agreeing with tasya.

The Buddha amitÁyus at that time will be ärÁvaka-saÚgha-parivàto surrounded (parivàto, perfect passive participle nominative singular masculine from root  $\sqrt{v}$  conceal/surround, and prefix pari- around). In the compound word one works backwards to find who the Buddha is surrounded by: saÚgha (an) assembly (of) ärÁvaka Sound Hearer(s), literally Sound Hearer assembly. And the Buddha will also be bodhisattvagaÜa-puraskàtaË attended (by a) gaÜa host/ multitude (of) bodhisattva Bodhisattva(s). Note that the two compound words are formed in the same way, for kàtaË is the perfect passive participle nominative singular masculine from root  $\sqrt{k}$ à- **do/make**, plus the indeclinable puras, pura in compound, which was seen also in purataE, and which means in front/before. Again it is an idiom, meaning literally made in front by ...

When the person who is singlemindedly mindful of Amita Buddha comes to the end of his or her life, that Buddha will appear along with multitudes of Sound Hearers and Bodhisattvas. Next lesson describes what else happens.



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