

SREE MAHAABHAARATHAM

AADHI PARVVAM

32. Sauparnnam - DhevaGarudaYudhddham (32. About Suparnnan or Garudan - Fight or Battle Between Dhevaas and Garudan)

Garudan reaches Dheva Lokam or heaven in order to steal or take away Amrith or Amritham or Nectar from there. The Dhevaas blocks Garudan. We can read the terrifying and fiercely fight Dhevaas had with Garudan and the failure of Dhevaas in that fight.

Soothan Said:

Oh, Dhvija or Saunaka! As Dhevaas were prepared to fight for a battle like that and block Garudan from his attempt of taking away Amrith, the Lord of birds Garuda arrived there to challenge Dhevaas. 1

Having seen that mighty and magnanimous Pakshi Raajan Garudan with such excessive strength started shivering out of fear and the entire Dheva Lokam or heaven started trembling. They started striking one another with their weapons out of fear. 2

Soma or Amrith was guarded by Dhevaas under the leadership of Visvakarma, who was the Dheva Silpi or Celestial Architect who was with immeasurable strength and power and who was effulgent like electric fire and great energy. 3

After fighting for a moment of challenge from the Pakshi Raajan with his terrible strikes of talon and wings all the Dhevaas including the majestic Visvakarma fell down as dead as unable to face him. 4

Because of the huge strikes by the long and powerful wings spread hurricane dust all over by the Pakshi Raajan and darkness spread completely and nothing could be seen among the Dheva Soldiers or guards. 5

Because of the hurricane of dust, the entire Dhevaas illusioned and lost their conscience and the Dhevaas were blinded and unable to see anything. 6

Thus, the Pakshi Raajan Gerudan shook the entire Dhevaas and the whole heaven. He also tore the body and hurt the Dhevaas by his sharp tolan. 7

Then, The Lord of Dhevaas, Dhevendhran, the one with thousand eyes spoke to Vaayu or the god of air: "Hey, Maarutha or Vaayu or Wind-god! I know that it is done you or it is your work. Please remove this it." 8

Then, the wind accepted the responsibility and blown and removed the dust completely from there. And when the dust was removed from there completely, all the Dhevaas together hit and struck Garudan. 9

As the powerful Dhevaas tortured the Pakshi Raaja Garudan like that, he shouted aloud like thunder of dark cloud and shook the whole world and all creatures of the world got frightened. 10

The heroic Pakshi Raaja Garudan who is the defeater and killer of all his enemies flew up in the with great force up above the Dhevaas and effulgently shone. 11

The Dhevaas led by their King Dhevendhran, all wearing strong armors and carrying sharp double-edged swords, iron maces, sharp spikes, pointed lances, bright arrows, Jvala-Chakraas or fiery-discuses with thousands of sharp edges, and many other missile-like deadly weapons saw the king of birds Garudan above their head. As Dhevaas hit, struck, shot those weapons against Pakshi Sreshtta Garudan, he was absolutely not bothered and not even considered like hitting with a blade of grass. 12-14

The mighty Garuda was not affected at all by the attack of all those Dhevaas together. VinathaaSuthan or The son of Vinatha shone in the sky like a blazing fire. He struck the Dhevaas with his mighty and powerful wings and breast and drove them away. 14-15

Blood started flowing from the bodies of Dhevaas mangled by the talons and beak of VinathaaSuthan Garudan. He threw away those mangled Dhevaas with forceful strikes of his wings. And some Dhevaas, dripping blood from their body, ran away to save their lives. 15-16

The Saadhddhyaas and Ganddharvvaas ran to the eastern direction; Vasoos (along with all the Rudhraas struck by the Pakshi Sreshttan) ran to the southern direction, Aadhithyaas ran to westward and Asvanee Puthraas or Asvins ran towards north in that fiercely battle. While running like that they looked back again and again to ensure that Garuda is after them.

16-17

Pakshi Raaja Geruda had frightening encounters with the heroic and brave Asvakrandhan, straight with Renukan, valorous Kretthan, Thapanan, Svasanan, Ulookan, Nimeshan, and like that with Prerujan and Pulinan also. 18-19

The most dreadful and powerful Khageswaran or Pakshi Raajan Gerudan attacked and tore them with his sharp talons, beak, fiercely powerful wings just like Kaala Rudhran or MahaaKaalan or the Moorththy or God of Destruction destroys everything at the time of final deluge. 20

Thus, those Dhevaas; who were mangled all over by exceedingly powerful and mighty Gerudan with his talon, beak, and wings and bleeding profusely; looked like a huge wild forest. 21

The Pathangeswara or The King of all Winged Creatures put all those Dhevaas down in the battle as if they are lifeless or almost dead and then entered the place where Amritham was. There he found that Amritham was surrounded all sides by terrible burning fire. 22

And the terrible peaking flame of that fire covered the entire sky. With stormy wind it seemed that the fire is going to down even the SooryaMandalam or Solar System. 23

The heroic and valorous Geruthmaan or Pakshi Sreshtta Gerudan immediately took the form with One Thousand Eight Hundred Mouths and carrying all the water of all the rivers and lakes in his mouths, and making those lakes and rivers as dry lands, and reached there. 24

Gerudan down poured the entire water carried from those lakes and rivers on the blazing flame of fire and reduced the severity of the fire and then Vihagaaddhinaaddhan Gerudan took the form with a small body and approached very close to Amritham. 25

So ends this section.