

SREE MAHAABHAARATHAM

AADHI PARVVAM ANUKREMANIKAA PARVVAM

38. EalaapathraVaakyam (38. Words of Advice of Ealaapathran)

When Dhevaas explained the destructive severity of Kadhru's curse to Brahmadheva, he pacified Dhevaas that the son going to be born for Jeralkkaaru who is going to be named as Aastheeka or Aastheekan would obstruct and stop the Sarppa Sathram of Jenamejayan. Ealaapathran, another primary serpent, explained this story to Vaasuki and demanded to get his sister called Jeralkkaaru married to that great austere Braahmanan called Jeralkkaaru.

Soothan Said:

At the end after listening to what each group or party of Naagaas opined and the response of the great Vaasuki, Ealaapathran said as follows: 1

Ealaapathran Said:

The Sarppa Yejnam is not something which is not, not going to happen, meaning it would definitely happen. It is very difficult to stop or obstruct that Sarppa Yejnam as the King Jenamejayan is very smart, valurous, and highly capable of executing what he wants. We have to be extremely fearful as it is spearheaded by King Jenamejayan. 2

Oh, Dheva or Lord - Vaasuki -! A person who is afflicted by Fate or God has only one way to get out of that affliction which is to seek refuge of God with His blessings. 3

All Great Bhujagendhraas or Lords or Chiefs of Serpents!!! The wildest and horrifying fear for us is this [The curse of Kadhru to the serpents.] Please listen to my words. We have to pray and seek support and refuge from God. 4

Oh, Sarppa Mukhyaas or Chief Serpents! When I was lying down on the lap of my mother and heard about the worst horrifying and frightening curse, the Dhevaas went and spoke to Brahmadheva very sorrowfully that the women are more horrible and crueller. Please listen to the words of
Dhevaas: 5-6

Dhevaas Said:

How can a woman curse or which woman can curse her own children like this even after begetting such best of snakes with great splendor as her children, that too in your presence or in front of you, Pithaamaha or
Grandsire? 7

Oh, Pithaamaha or Brahmadheva! How did you also agree with her? Why you did not advice and prevent or stop her from a mother cursing her own beloved children like that? 8

Brahmadhevan Said:

There are innumerable deadly poisonous and venomously cruel Sarppaas or Serpents among them and so thinking of the general welfare of the universe and its entities and elements I did not prevent or stop her, Kadhru, from cursing her children. 9

Because of her curse only highly poisonous and cruelly venomous and sinfully evil snakes will be destroyed. Righteous, religious, and virtuous serpents would not be affected by this curse and that is why I did not take any action. 10

I am telling how those virtuous and religious Naaga Sreshttaas will be released from the curse or come out of the impact of curse. Listen to me how that is going to happen or how that could happen. 11

In the race or in the dynasty of Yaayaavaraas or Yaayaavara, a great Muni called Jeralkkaaru or Jaralkkaaru who would be extremely intelligent would be born. He would be a Yogi who has full control of all his senses. 12

A son would be born to that Yogi Jeralkkaaru. His name would be Aastheekan. Aastheekan would be with great austerity and severe penance. And that Aastheekan would definitely stop the Sarppa Sathram

which would be conducted by Jenamejayan. Thus, the virtuous and great serpents would be exempted from the sacrifice in Sarppa Sathram. 13-

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Dhevaas Said:

Oh, Brahmadhevan! How would such an austere and great Thapoddhanan, Jeralkkaaru, would produce a son or how is it possible for Jeralkkaaru to become a father? 14-15

Brahmadhevan Said:

That great Braahmana Thapoddhanan would marry only a woman with the same name and beget a very valorous and extremely renowned son and remove the Apathyam or son-lessness for him. 15-16

Naageswaran Vaasuki has a sister called Jeralkkaaru and in her the Muni Jeralkkaaru would beget a son and that son would release Aheendhraas or the great virtuous serpents from Sarppa Yejnjam. 16-17

Ealaapathran Said:

Dhevaas confirmed to Pithaamahan that would definitely take place - Jeralkkaaru Muni would marry Jeralkkaaru, the sister of Vaasuki. - After that the Virinjcha Dhevan disappeared from there. 17-18

Oh, Vaasuke! I remember these dialogues between Dhevaas and Virinjchan or Pithaamahan. Your Svasaav or sister is Naaga Kanyaka Jeralkkaaru. Please ensure to get her married to that Jeralkkaaru Muni as alms in order to get rid of Sarppa Bheethi or the fear from the curse. As I heard, please give your sister to that great Jeralkkaaru Muni by which the serpents would get liberated from the fear of curse. 18-19

So ends this section.