

6 Appendix

6.1 The Pāli *suttas*

6.1.1 Text and translation of MN 131

Bhaddekarattasuttaṃ¹

Evaṃ me suttaṃ: Ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā sāvatthiyaṃ viharati jetavane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tatra kho bhagavā bhikkhū āmantesi bhikkhavo ti. Bhadante ti te bhikkhū bhagavato paccassosum. Bhagavā etad avoca: Bhaddekarattassa vo, bhikkhave, uddesaṅ ca vibhaṅgaṅ ca desissāmi. Taṃ suṇātha manasi karotha. Bhāsissāmīti. Evaṃ bhante ti kho te bhikkhū bhagavato paccassosum. Bhagavā etad avoca:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
Yad atītaṃ pahīnaṃ taṃ, appattaṅ ca anāgataṃ.

Paccuppannaṅ ca yo dhammaṃ tattha tattha vipassati,
Asaṃhīraṃ asaṅkappaṃ taṃ vidvā manubrūhaye.

Ajj’ eva kiccaṃ ātappaṃ ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve?
Na hi no saṅgaramaṃ tena mahāsenena maccunā.

Evaṃ vihāriṃ ātāpiṃ ahorattaṃ atanditaṃ,
Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Kathaṅ ca, bhikkhave, atītaṃ anvāgāmeti: evarūpo ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ vedano ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ sañño ahoṣiṃ atītamaddhānanti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ saṅkhāro ahoṣiṃ atītamaddhānanti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ viññāṇo ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, atītaṃ anvāgāmeti.

¹ MN 131 at MN III 187–189.

Kathañ ca, bhikkhave, atītaṃ nānvāgameti: evarūpo ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ vedano ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ sañño ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ saṅkhāro ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ viññāṇo ahoṣiṃ atītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, atītaṃ nānvāgameti.

Kathañ ca, bhikkhave, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati: evarūpo siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ vedano siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ sañño siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ saṅkhāro siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ viññāṇo siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati.

Kathañ ca, bhikkhave, anāgataṃ nappaṭikaṅkhati: evarūpo siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ vedano siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ sañño siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ saṅkhāro siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ viññāṇo siyaṃ anāgataṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ na samanvāneti. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, anāgataṃ nappaṭikaṅkhati.

Kathañ ca, bhikkhave, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati: idha, bhikkhave, assutavā puthujjano ariyānaṃ adassāvī ariyadhammassa akovido ariyadhamme avinīto sappurisānaṃ adassāvī sappurisadhammassa akovido sappurisadhamme avinīto rūpaṃ attato samanupassati, rūpavantaṃ vā attānaṃ, attani vā rūpaṃ, rūpasmiṃ vā attānaṃ. Vedanaṃ attato samanupassati, vedanāvantaṃ vā attānaṃ, attani vā vedanaṃ, vedanāya vā attānaṃ. Saññaṃ attato samanupassati, saññāvantaṃ vā attānaṃ, attani vā saññaṃ, saññāya vā attānaṃ. Saṅkhāre attato samanupassati, saṅkhāravantaṃ vā attānaṃ, attani vā saṅkhāre, saṅkhāresu vā attānaṃ. Viññāṇaṃ attato samanupassati, viññāṇavantaṃ vā attānaṃ, attani vā viññāṇaṃ, viññāṇasmiṃ vā attānaṃ. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati.

Kathañ ca, bhikkhave, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati: idha, bhikkhave, sutavā ariyasāvako ariyānaṃ dassāvī ariyadhammassa kovido ariyadhamme vinīto sappurisānaṃ dassāvī sappurisadhammassa kovido sappurisadhamme vinīto na rūpaṃ attato samanupassati. Na rūpavantaṃ vā attānaṃ, na attani vā rūpaṃ, na rūpasmiṃ vā attānaṃ. Na vedanaṃ attato samanupassati, vedanāvantaṃ vā attānaṃ,

na attani vā vedanaṃ, na vedanāya vā attānaṃ. Na saññaṃ attato samanupassati, na saññāvantam vā attānaṃ, na attani vā saññaṃ, na saññāya vā attānaṃ. Na saṅkhāre attato samanupassati, na saṅkhāravantam vā attānaṃ, na attani vā saṅkhāre, na saṅkhāresu vā attānaṃ. Na viññānaṃ attato samanupassati, na viññānavantam vā attānaṃ, na attati vā na viññānaṃ, na viññānasmim vā attānaṃ. Evaṃ kho, bhikkhave, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
Yad atītaṃ pahīnaṃ taṃ, appattañ ca anāgataṃ.

Paccuppannañ ca yo dhammaṃ tattha tattha vipassati,
Asaṃhīraṃ asaṅkappaṃ taṃ vidvā manubrūhaye.

Ajj’ eva kiccaṃ ātappaṃ ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve?
Na hi no saṅgamaṃ tena mahāsenena maccunā.

Evaṃ vihāriṃ ātāpiṃ ahorattam atanditaṃ,
Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Bhaddekarattassa vo, bhikkhave, uddesañ ca vibhaṅgañ ca desissāmi ti iti yan taṃ vuttaṃ idam etaṃ paṭicca vuttan ti.

Idam avoca bhagavā. Attamaṇā te bhikkhū bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinandun ti.

Bhaddekarattasuttaṃ paṭhamam

One Fine Night²

So I have heard. At one time the Buddha was staying near Sāvathī in Jeta’s Grove, Anāthapiṇḍika’s monastery. There the Buddha addressed the mendicants: “Mendicants!” “Venerable sir,” they replied. The Buddha said this: “I shall teach you the passage for recitation and the analysis of One Fine Night. Listen and pay close attention, I will speak.” “Yes, sir,” they replied. The Buddha said this:

“Don’t run back to the past, don’t hope for the future.
What’s past is left behind; the future has not arrived;
and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.
Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

² Tr. Bhikkhu Sujato 2018: <https://suttacentral.net/mn131/en/sujato> (last retrieved on 20.11.2020).

Today's the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!
For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

The peaceful sage explained it's those who keenly meditate like this,
tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.

And how do you run back to the past? You muster delight there, thinking: 'I had such form in the past.' ... 'I had such feeling ... perception ... choice ... consciousness in the past.' That's how you run back to the past.

And how do you not run back to the past? You don't muster delight there, thinking: 'I had such form in the past.' ... 'I had such feeling ... perception ... choice ... consciousness in the past.' That's how you don't run back to the past.

And how do you hope for the future? You muster delight there, thinking: 'May I have such form in the future.' ... 'May I have such feeling ... perception ... choice ... consciousness in the future.' That's how you hope for the future.

And how do you not hope for the future? You don't muster delight there, thinking: 'May I have such form in the future.' ... 'May I have such feeling ... perception ... choice ... consciousness in the future.' That's how you don't hope for the future.

And how do you falter amid presently arisen phenomena? It's when an uneducated ordinary person has not seen the noble ones, and is neither skilled nor trained in the teaching of the noble ones. They've not seen good persons, and are neither skilled nor trained in the teaching of the good persons. They regard form as self, self as having form, form in self, or self in form. They regard feeling ... perception ... choices ... consciousness as self, self as having consciousness, consciousness in self, or self in consciousness. That's how you falter amid presently arisen phenomena.

And how do you not falter amid presently arisen phenomena? It's when an educated noble disciple has seen the noble ones, and is skilled and trained in the teaching of the noble ones. They've seen good persons, and are skilled and trained in the teaching of the good persons. They don't regard form as self, self as having form, form in self, or self in form. They don't regard feeling ... perception ... choices ... consciousness as self, self as having consciousness, consciousness in self, or self in consciousness. That's how you don't falter amid presently arisen phenomena.

Don't run back to the past, don't hope for the future.

What's past is left behind; the future has not arrived;

and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.

Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

Today's the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!

For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

The peaceful sage explained it's those who keenly meditate like this,
tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.

And that's what I meant when I said: 'I shall teach you the passage for recitation and the analysis of One Fine Night.'"

That is what the Buddha said. Satisfied, the mendicants were happy with what the Buddha said.

6.1.2 Text and translation of MN 132

Ānandabhaddekarattasuttaṃ³

Evaṃ me suttaṃ: ekaṃ samayaṃ bhagavā sāvatthiyaṃ viharati jetavane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tena kho pana samayena āyasmā ānando upatṭhānasālayaṃ bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandasseti. Samādapeti samuttejeti sampahaṃseti bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca bhāsati?

Atha kho bhagavā sāyaṇhasamayaṃ patisallānā vuṭṭhito yena upatṭhānasālā ten' upasaṃkhami. Upasaṃkhamitvā paññatte āsane nisīdi. Nisajja kho bhagavā bhikkhū āmantesi: Ko nu kho, bhikkhave, upatṭhānasālāyaṃ bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesesi samādapesi samuttejesi sampahaṃsesi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca abhāsīti?

Āyasmā, bhante, ānando upatṭhānasālāyaṃ bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesesi samādapesi samuttejesi sampahaṃsesi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca abhāsīti.

Atha kho bhagavā āyasmantaṃ ānandaṃ āmantesi: Yathā kathaṃ pana tvaṃ, ānanda, bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesesi samādapesi samuttejesi sampahaṃsesi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca abhāsīti?

Evaṃ kho ahaṃ, bhante, bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesim samādapesim samuttejesim sampahaṃsesim bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca abhāsīm:

Aṭītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
Yad aṭītaṃ pahīnaṃ taṃ, appattaṃ ca anāgataṃ.

Paccuppannaṃ ca yo dhammaṃ tattha tattha vipassati,
Asaṃhīraṃ asaṅkappaṃ taṃ vidvā-m-anubrūhaye.

Ajj' eva kiccaṃ ātappaṃ; ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve?
Na hi no saṃgamaṃ tena mahāsenena maccunā.

Evaṃ vihāriṃ ātāpiṃ ahorattaṃ atanditaṃ,
Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Kathaṃ c', āvuso, aṭītaṃ anvāgameti: Evarūpo ahoṣim aṭītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ samanvāneti. Evaṃvedano ahoṣim aṭītaṃ addhānaṃ ti tattha nandiṃ

³ MN 132 at MN III 189–191.

samanvāneti. ... (as in foregoing sutta) ... Evaṃ kho, āvuso, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,

... (etc. as above) ...

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Evaṃ kho ahaṃ, bhante, bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesim̐ samādapesim̐ samuttejesim̐ sampahaṃsesim̐ bhaddekarattassa uddesaṅ ca vibhaṅgaṅ ca abhāsin ti.

Sādhu sādhu, ānanda, sādhu kho tvaṃ, ānanda, bhikkhū dhammiyā kathāya sandassesī samādapesī samuttejesī sampahaṃsesī, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṅ ca vibhaṅgaṅ ca abhāsi.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, atītaṃ anvāgameti? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, atītaṃ anvāgameti.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, atītā nānvāgameti? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, atītaṃ nānvāgameti.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, anāgataṃ nappaṭikaṅkhati? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, anāgataṃ na paṭikaṅkhati.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati.

Kathaṅ c'. ānanda, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati? –pe– Evaṃ kho, ānanda, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Idam avoca bhagavā. Attamano āyasmā ānando bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinandīti.

Ānandabhaddekarattasuttaṃ dutiyaṃ

Ānanda and One Fine Night⁴

So I have heard. At one time the Buddha was staying near Sāvathī in Jeta's Grove, Anāthapiṇḍika's monastery. Now at that time Venerable Ānanda was educating, encouraging, firing up, and inspiring the mendicants in the assembly hall with a Dhamma talk on the topic of the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night.

Then in the late afternoon, the Buddha came out of retreat, went to the assembly hall, where he sat on the seat spread out, and addressed the mendicants: "Who was inspiring the mendicants with a talk on the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night?"

"It was Venerable Ānanda, sir."

Then the Buddha said to Venerable Ānanda: "But in what way were you inspiring the mendicants with a talk on the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night?"

"I was doing so in this way, sir," replied Ānanda. (*And he went on to repeat the verses and analysis as in the previous discourse, MN 131.*)

"That's how I was inspiring the mendicants with a talk on the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night."

"Good, good, Ānanda. It's good that you were inspiring the mendicants with a talk on the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night." (*And the Buddha repeated the verses and analysis once more.*)

That is what the Buddha said. Satisfied, Venerable Ānanda was happy with what the Buddha said.

⁴ Tr. Bhikkhu Sujato 2018: <https://suttacentral.net/mn132/en/sujato> (last retrieved on 20.11.2020).

6.1.3 Text and translation of MN 133

Mahakaccānabhaddekarattasuttam⁵

Evam me sutam: Ekam samayaṃ bhagavā rājagahe viharati tapodārāme. Atha kho āyasmā samiddhi rattiyaṃ paccūsasamayaṃ paccuṭṭhāya yena tapodo ten' upasaṃkami. Gattāni parisiñcituṃ. Tapode gattāni parisiñcivā paccuttarivā ekacīvaro aṭṭhāsi gattāni pubbāpayamāno. Atha kho aññatarā devatā abhikkantāya rattiyaṃ abhikkantavaṇṇā kevalakappaṃ tapodaṃ obhāsetvā yen' āyasmā samiddhi, ten' upasaṃkami, upasaṃkamitvā ekamantaṃ aṭṭhāsi. Ekamantaṃ tīṭhā kho sā devatā āyasmantaṃ samiddhiṃ etad avoca:

Dhāresi tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ cāti?

Na kho ahaṃ, āvuso, dhāremi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ cā. Tvaṃ pan', āvuso, dhāresi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ cāti?

Aham pi kho, bhikkhu, na dhāremi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca. Dhāresi pana tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti?

Na kho ahaṃ, āvuso, dhāremi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā. Tvaṃ pan', āvuso, dhāresi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti?

Aham pi kho, bhikkhu, na dhāremi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā. Uggaṇhāhi tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca. Pariyāpuṇāhi tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca. Atthasaṃhito, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddeso ca vibhaṅgo ca ādibrahmacariyako ti. Idam avoca sā devatā. Idam vatvā tath' ev' antaradhāyi.

Atha kho āyasmā samiddhi tassā rattiyaṃ accayena yena bhagavā ten' upasaṃkami. Upasaṃkamitvā bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekamantaṃ nisīdi. Ekamantaṃ nisinno kho āyasmā samiddhi bhagavantaṃ etad avoca. Idhāhaṃ, bhante, rattiyaṃ paccūsasamayaṃ paccuṭṭhāya yena tapodo ten' upasaṃkammaṃ gattāni parisiñcituṃ. Tapode gattāni parisiñcivā paccuttarivā ekacīvaro aṭṭhāsiṃ gattāni pubbāpayamāno. Atha kho, bhante, aññatarā devatā abhikkantāya rattiyaṃ ... (etc. as above) ... ādibrahmacariyako ti. Idam avoca, bhante, sā devatā. Idam vatvā tath' ev' antaradhāyi.

Sādhu me, bhante, bhagavā bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca desetūti.

⁵ MN 133 at MN III 192–199.

Tena hi, bhikkhu, suṇāhi, sādhukaṃ manasikarohi, bhāsissāmīti.

Evam bhante ti kho āyasmā samiddhi bhagavato paccassosi. Bhagavā etada voca:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
Yad atītaṃ pahīnaṃ taṃ, appattañ ca anāgataṃ.

Paccuppannañ ca yo dhammaṃ tattha tattha vipassati,
Asaṃhīraṃ asaṅkappaṃ taṃ vidvā-m-anubrūhaye.

Ajj’ eva kiccaṃ ātappaṃ; ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve?
Na hi no saṃgamaṃ tena mahāsenena maccunā.

Evam vihāriṃ ātāpiṃ ahorattaṃ atanditaṃ,
Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Idam avoca bhagavā. Idaṃ vatvā sugato uṭṭhāy’ āsanā vihāraṃ pāvīsi. Atha kho tesam bhikkhūnaṃ acirapakkantassa bhagavato etad ahosi: ‘Idaṃ kho no, āvuso, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā uṭṭhāy’ āsanā vihāraṃ pavitṭho.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
... (etc. as above) ...

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Ko nu kho imassa bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa vitthārena atthaṃ vibhajeyyāti? Atha kho tesam bhikkhūnaṃ etad ahosi: Ayaṃ kho āyasmā mahākaccāno satthu c’ eva saṃvaṇṇito sambhāvito ca viññūnaṃ sabrahmacārīnaṃ. Pahoti c’ āyasmā mahākaccāno imassa bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa vitthārena atthaṃ vibhajitum. Yan nūna mayaṃ yen’ āyasmā mahākaccāno ten’ upasaṃkameyyāma. Upasaṃkamitvā āyasmantaṃ mahākaccānaṃ etam atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyāmāti?

Atha kho te bhikkhū yen’ āyasmā mahākaccāno ten’ upasaṅkameyyāma. Upasaṅkameyyāma āyasmatā mahākaccānena saddhiṃ sammodiṃsu. Sammodanīyaṃ kathaṃ sārāṇīyaṃ vitisāretvā ekamantaṃ nisīdiṃsu. Ekamantaṃ nisinnā kho te bhikkhū āyasmantaṃ mahākaccānaṃ etad avocum: idaṃ kho no, āvuso kaccāna, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā uṭṭhāy’ āsanā vihāraṃ pavitṭho:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Tesaṃ no, āvuso kaccāna, amhākaṃ acirapakkantassa bhagavato etad ahoṣi: 'Idaṃ kho no, āvuso, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā utthāy' āsanā vihāraṃ pavittho.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Ko nu kho imassa bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa vitthārena atthaṃ vibhajeyyāti. Tesaṃ no, āvuso kaccāna, amhākaṃ etad ahoṣi: 'Ayaṃ kho āyasmā mahākaccāno satthu c' eva saṃvaṇṇito, sambhāvito ca viññūnaṃ sabrahmacārīnaṃ, pahoti cāyasmā mahākaccāno imassa bhagavatā ... paṭipuccheyyāmāti? Vibhajat' āyasmā mahākaccāno ti.

Seyyathāpi, āvuso, puriso sārattiko sāragavesī sārariyehanaṃ caramāno mahato rukkhassa tiṭṭhato sāravato atikkamm' eva mūlaṃ atikkamma khandhaṃ sākāpālaṃ sāraṃ pariyesitabbaṃ maññeyya. Evaṃ sampadam idaṃ. Āyasmantānaṃ satthari sammukhībhute taṃ bhagavantaṃ atisitvā amhe etam atthaṃ paṭipucchitabbaṃ maññetha. So h', āvuso, bhagavā jānaṃ jānāti passaṃ passatī cakkhubhūto nāṇabhūto dhammabhūto brahmabhūto vattā pavattā atthassa ninnetā amatassa dātā dhammassāmi tathāgato. So c' eva paṇ' etassa kālo hoti yaṃ bhagavantaṃ yeva etam atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyātha. Yathā vo bhagavā byākareyya, tathā naṃ dhāreyyāthāti.

Addhā, 'vuso kaccāna, bhagavā jānaṃ jānāti ... kālo hoti yaṃ bhagavantaṃ etam atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyāma. Yathā no bhagavā byākareyya, tathā naṃ dhāreyyāma. Api c' āyasmā mahākaccāno satthu c' eva saṃvaṇṇito sambhāvito ca viññūnaṃ sabrahmacārīnaṃ. Pahoti c' āyasmā mahākaccāno imassa bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa vitthārena atthaṃ vibhajitum. Vibhajat' āyasmā mahākaccāno agarukarivā ti.

Tena h', āvuso, suṇātha sādhukaṃ manas karoṭha, bhāsissāmīti.

Evaṃ āvuso ti kho te bhikkhū āyasmato mahākaccānassa paccassosum. Āyasmā mahākaccāno etad avoca:

Yaṃ kho no, āvuso, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā utthāy' āsanā vihāraṃ pavittho:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Imassa kho ahaṃ, āvuso, bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa, evaṃ vitthārena atthaṃ ājānāmi.

Kathañ c', āvuso, atītaṃ anvāgameti? Iti me cakkhuṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti rūpā ti tattha chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa tad abhinandati. Tad abhinandanto atītaṃ anvāgameti. Iti me sotaṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti saddo ti –pe–. Iti me ghānaṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti ghāndhā ti –pe–. Iti me jivhā ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti rasā ti –pe–. Iti me kāyo ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti me phoṭṭhabbā ti –pe–. Iti me mano ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti dhammā ti chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa tad abhinandati. Tad abhinandanto atītaṃ anvāgameti. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, atītaṃ anvāgameti.

Kathañ c', āvuso, atītaṃ nānvāgameti? Iti me cakkhuṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti rūpā ti na tattha chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Na chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto atītaṃ nānvāgameti. Iti me sotaṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti me saddā ti –pe–. Iti me ghānaṃ ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti gandhā ti –pe–. Iti me jivhā ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti rasā ti –pe–. Iti me kāyo ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti me phoṭṭhabbā ti –pe–. Iti me mano ahosi atītaṃ addhānaṃ iti dhammā ti na tattha chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Na chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto atītaṃ nānvāgameti. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, atītaṃ nānvāgameti.

Kathañ c', āvuso, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati? Iti me cakkhuṃ siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti rūpā ti appaṭiladdhassa paṭilābhāya cittaṃ paṇidahati. Cetaso paṇidhānapaccayā tad abhinandati. Tad abhinandanto anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati. Iti me sotaṃ siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti saddā ti –pe–. Iti me ghānaṃ siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti gandhā ti –pe–. Iti me jivhā siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti rasā ti –pe–. Iti me kāyo siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti phoṭṭhabbā ti –pe–. Iti me mano siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti dhammā ti appaṭiladdhassa paṭilābhāya cittaṃ paṇidahati. Cetaso paṇidhānapaccayā tad abhinandati. Tad abhinandanto anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati.

Kathañ c', āvuso, anāgataṃ na paṭikaṅkhati? Iti me cakkhuṃ siyā anāgataṃ addhānaṃ iti rūpā ti appaṭiladdhassa paṭilābhāya cittaṃ na paṇidahati. Cetaso appaṇidhānapaccayā na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto anāgataṃ na

paṭikaṅkhati. Iti me sotam ... Iti me mano siyā anāgatam addhānaṃ iti dhammā ti appaṭiladdhassa paṭilābhāya cittaṃ na paṇidahati. Cetaso appaṇidhānapaccayā na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto anāgataṃ na paṭikaṅkhati. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, anāgataṃ na paṭikaṅkhati.

Kathaṅ c', āvuso, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati? Yaṅ c', āvuso, cakkhuṃ ye ca rūpā ubhayam etaṃ paccuppannānaṃ, tasmim̐ yeva paccuppanne chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa tad abhinandati. Tad abhinandanto paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati. Yaṅ c', āvuso, sotam ye ca saddā –pe–. Yaṅ c', āvuso, ghānaṃ ye ca gandhā –pe–. Yā c', āvuso, jivhā ye ca rasā –pe–. Yo c', āvuso, kāyo ye ca phoṭṭhabbā –pe–. Yo c', āvuso, mano ye ca dhammā ubhayam etaṃ paccuppannaṃ ... paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, paccuppannesu dhammesu saṃhīrati.

Kathaṅ c', āvuso, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati? Yaṅ c', āvuso, cakkhuṃ, ye ca rūpā ubhayam etaṃ paccuppannaṃ, tasmim̐ yeva paccuppanne na chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Na chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati. Yaṅ c', āvuso, sotam ye ca saddā –pe–. Yaṅ c', āvuso, ghānaṃ ye ca gandhā –pe–. Yā c', āvuso, jivhā ye ca rasā –pe–. Yo c', āvuso, kāyo ye ca phoṭṭhabbā –pe–. Yo c', āvuso, mano ye ca dhammā ubhayam etaṃ paccuppannaṃ, tasmim̐ yeva paccuppanne na chandarāgapaṭibaddhaṃ hoti viññāṇaṃ. Na chandarāgapaṭibaddhattā viññāṇassa na tad abhinandati. Na tad abhinandanto paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati. Evaṃ kho, āvuso, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati.

Yaṃ kho no, āvuso, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā utṭhāy' āsanā vihāraṃ pavitṭho:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Imassa kho 'haṃ, āvuso, bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa evaṃ vitthārena atthaṃ ājānāmi. Ākaṅkhamānā ca pana tumhe, āyasmanto, bhagavantaṃ yeva upasaṃkamitvā etaṃ atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyātha. Yathā vo bhagavā byākaroti tathā naṃ dhāreyyāthāhi.

Atha kho te bhikkhū āyasmato mahākaccānassa bhāsitaṃ abhinanditvā anumoditvā utṭhāy' āsanā yena bhagavā ten' upasaṃkamim̐su upasaṃkamitvā bhagavantaṃ

abhivādetvā ekamantaṃ nisīdīmsu. Ekamantaṃ nisinnā kho te bhikkhū bhagavantaṃ etad avocum: Yaṃ kho no, bhante, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā utthāy’ āsanā vihāraṃ pavittḥo:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Tesaṃ no, bhante, amhākaṃ acirapakkantassa bhagavato etad ahoṣi: 'Idaṃ kho no, āvuso, bhagavā saṃkhittena uddesaṃ uddisitvā vitthārena atthaṃ avibhajitvā vihāraṃ pavittḥo:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,

... (etc. as above) ...

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Ko nu kho imassa bhagavatā saṃkhittena uddesassa uddiṭṭhassa vitthārena atthaṃ avibhattassa vitthārena atthaṃ vibhajeyyāti? Tesaṃ no, bhante, amhākaṃ etad ahoṣi: Ayaṃ kho, āvuso, mahākaccāno satthu c’ eva saṃvaṇṇito ... etam atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyāmāti. Atha kho mayaṃ, bhante, yen’ āyasmā mahākaccāno ten’ upasaṃkamimha. Upasaṅkamitvā āyasmantaṃ mahākaccānaṃ etam atthaṃ paṭipucchimha. Tesaṃ no, bhante, āyasmatā mahākaccānena imehi ākārehi imehi padehi imehi byañjanehi attho vibhatto ti.

Paṇḍito bhikkhave mahākaccāno mahāpaṇṇo bhikkhave mahākaccāno. Mañ ce pi tumhe, bhikkhave, etam atthaṃ paṭipuccheyyātha, aham pi taṃ evam evaṃ byākareyyaṃ yathā taṃ mahākaccānena byākataṃ. Eso c’ eva tassa attho evañ ca naṃ dhārethāti.

Idam avoca bhagavā. Attamaṇā te bhikkhū bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinandun ti.

Mahākaccānabhaddekarattasuttaṃ tatiyaṃ.

Mahākaccāna and One Fine Night⁶

So I have heard. At one time the Buddha was staying near Rājagaha in the Hot Springs Monastery. Then Venerable Samiddhi rose at the crack of dawn and went to

⁶ Tr. Bhikkhu Sujato 2018: <https://suttacentral.net/mn133/en/sujato> (last retrieved on 20.11.2020).

the hot springs to bathe. When he had bathed and emerged from the water he stood in one robe drying himself. Then, late at night, a glorious deity, lighting up the entire hot springs, went up to Samiddhi, stood to one side, and said to Samiddhi:

“Mendicant, do you remember the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night?”

“No, reverend, I do not. Do you?”

“I also do not. But do you remember just the verses on One Fine Night?”

“I do not. Do you?”

“I also do not. Learn the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night, mendicant, memorize it, and remember it. It is beneficial and relates to the fundamentals of the spiritual life.” That’s what that deity said, before vanishing right there.

Then, when the night had passed, Samiddhi went to the Buddha, bowed, sat down to one side, and told him what had happened. Then he added:

“Sir, please teach me the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine night.”

“Well then, mendicant, listen and pay close attention, I will speak.”

“Yes, sir,” Samiddhi replied. The Buddha said this:

“Don’t run back to the past, don’t hope for the future.

What’s past is left behind; the future has not arrived;

and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.

Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

Today’s the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!

For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

The peaceful sage explained it’s those who keenly meditate like this,

tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.”

That is what the Buddha said. When he had spoken, the Holy One got up from his seat and entered his dwelling. Soon after the Buddha left, those mendicants considered: “The Buddha gave this brief passage for recitation, then entered his dwelling without explaining the meaning in detail. ...

Who can explain in detail the meaning of this brief summary given by the Buddha?" Then those mendicants thought: "This Venerable Mahākaccāna is praised by the Buddha and esteemed by his sensible spiritual companions. He is capable of explaining in detail the meaning of this brief passage for recitation given by the Buddha. Let's go to him, and ask him about this matter."

Then those mendicants went to Mahākaccāna, and exchanged greetings with him. When the greetings and polite conversation were over, they sat down to one side. They told him what had happened, and said: "May Venerable Mahākaccāna please explain this."

"Reverends, suppose there was a person in need of heartwood. And while wandering in search of heartwood he'd come across a large tree standing with heartwood. But he'd pass over the roots and trunk, imagining that the heartwood should be sought in the branches and leaves. Such is the consequence for the venerables. Though you were face to face with the Buddha, you passed him by, imagining that you should ask me about this matter. For he is the Buddha, who knows and sees. He is vision, he is knowledge, he is the truth, he is supreme. He is the teacher, the proclaimer, the elucidator of meaning, the bestower of the deathless, the lord of truth, the Realized One. That was the time to approach the Buddha and ask about this matter. You should have remembered it in line with the Buddha's answer."

"Certainly he is the Buddha, who knows and sees. He is vision, he is knowledge, he is the truth, he is supreme. He is the teacher, the proclaimer, the elucidator of meaning, the bestower of the deathless, the lord of truth, the Realized One. That was the time to approach the Buddha and ask about this matter. We should have remembered it in line with the Buddha's answer. Still, Venerable Mahākaccāna is praised by the Buddha and esteemed by his sensible spiritual companions. He is capable of explaining in detail the meaning of this brief passage for recitation given by the Buddha. Please explain this, if it's no trouble."

"Well then, reverends, listen and pay close attention, I will speak."

"Yes, reverend," they replied. Venerable Mahākaccāna said this:

"Reverends, the Buddha gave this brief passage for recitation, then entered his dwelling without explaining the meaning in detail:

Don't run back to the past, don't hope for the future.
What's past is left behind; the future has not arrived;

and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.

Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

Today's the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!

For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

The peaceful sage explained it's those who keenly meditate like this,

tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.

And this is how I understand the detailed meaning of this passage for recitation.

And how do you run back to the past? Consciousness gets tied up there with desire and lust, thinking: 'In the past I had such eyes and such sights.' So you take pleasure in that, and that's when you run back to the past. Consciousness gets tied up there with desire and lust, thinking: 'In the past I had such ears and such sounds ... such a nose and such smells ... such a tongue and such tastes ... such a body and such touches ... such a mind and such thoughts.' So you take pleasure in that, and that's when you run back to the past. That's how you run back to the past.

And how do you not run back to the past? Consciousness doesn't get tied up there with desire and lust, thinking: 'In the past I had such eyes and such sights.' So you don't take pleasure in that, and that's when you no longer run back to the past. Consciousness doesn't get tied up there with desire and lust, thinking: 'In the past I had such ears and such sounds ... such a nose and such smells ... such a tongue and such tastes ... such a body and such touches ... such a mind and such thoughts.' So you don't take pleasure in that, and that's when you no longer run back to the past. That's how you don't run back to the past.

And how do you hope for the future? The heart is set on getting what it does not have, thinking: 'May I have such eyes and such sights in the future.' So you take pleasure in that, and that's when you hope for the future. The heart is set on getting what it does not have, thinking: 'May I have such ears and such sounds ... such a nose and such smells ... such a tongue and such tastes ... such a body and such touches ... such a mind and such thoughts in the future.' So you take pleasure in that, and that's when you hope for the future. That's how you hope for the future.

And how do you not hope for the future? The heart is not set on getting what it does not have, thinking: 'May I have such eyes and such sights in the future.' So you don't take pleasure in that, and that's when you no longer hope for the future. The heart is not set on getting what it does not have, thinking: 'May I have such ears and

such sounds ... such a nose and such smells ... such a tongue and such tastes ... such a body and such touches ... such a mind and such thoughts in the future.’ So you don’t take pleasure in that, and that’s when you no longer hope for the future. That’s how you don’t hope for the future.

And how do you falter amid presently arisen phenomena? Both the eye and sights are presently arisen. If consciousness gets tied up there in the present with desire and lust, you take pleasure in that, and that’s when you falter amid presently arisen phenomena. Both the ear and sounds ... nose and smells ... tongue and tastes ... body and touches ... mind and thoughts are presently arisen. If consciousness gets tied up there in the present with desire and lust, you take pleasure in that, and that’s when you falter amid presently arisen phenomena. That’s how you falter amid presently arisen phenomena.

And how do you not falter amid presently arisen phenomena? Both the eye and sights are presently arisen. If consciousness doesn’t get tied up there in the present with desire and lust, you don’t take pleasure in that, and that’s when you no longer falter amid presently arisen phenomena. Both the ear and sounds ... nose and smells ... tongue and tastes ... body and touches ... mind and thoughts are presently arisen. If consciousness doesn’t get tied up there in the present with desire and lust, you don’t take pleasure in that, and that’s when you no longer falter amid presently arisen phenomena. That’s how you don’t falter amid presently arisen phenomena.

This is how I understand the detailed meaning of that brief passage for recitation given by the Buddha.

If you wish, you may go to the Buddha and ask him about this. You should remember it in line with the Buddha’s answer.”

“Yes, reverend,” said those mendicants, approving and agreeing with what Mahākaccāna said. Then they rose from their seats and went to the Buddha, bowed, sat down to one side, and told him what had happened, adding:

“Mahākaccāna clearly explained the meaning to us in this manner, with these words and phrases.”

“Mahākaccāna is astute, mendicants, he has great wisdom. If you came to me and asked this question, I would answer it in exactly the same way as Mahākaccāna. That is what it means, and that’s how you should remember it.”

That is what the Buddha said. Satisfied, the mendicants were happy with what the Buddha said.

6.1.4 Text and translation of MN 134

Lomasakaṅgiyabhaddekarattasuttaṃ⁷

Evam me sutam: Ekam samayaṃ bhagavā sāvatthiyaṃ viharati jetavane anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāme. Tena kho pana samayena āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo sakkesu viharati kapilavatthusmiṃ nigrodhārāme. Atha kho candano devaputto abhikkantāya rattiyaṃ abhikkantavaṇṇo kevalakappaṃ nigrodhārāmaṃ obhāsetvā yen' āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo ten' upasaṃkami. Upasaṃkamtivā ekamantaṃ aṭṭhāsi. Ekamantaṃ t̥hito kho candano devaputto āyasmantaṃ lomasakaṅgiyaṃ etad avoca: Dhāresi tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ cāti?

Na kho ahaṃ, āvuso, dhāremi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca. Tvaṃ pan', āvuso, dhāresi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ cāti?

Aham pi kho, bhikkhu, na dhāremi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca. Dhāresi pana tvaṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti?

Na kho ahaṃ, āvuso, dhāremi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā. Tvaṃ pan' āvuso, dhāresi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti?

Dhāremi kho 'haṃ, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti. Yathā kathaṃ pana tvaṃ, āvuso, dhāresi bhaddekarattiyo gāthā ti?

Ekamidaṃ, bhikkhu samayaṃ bhagavā devesu tāvatimsesu viharati pāricchattakamūle paṇḍukambalasilāyaṃ. Tatra bhagavā devānaṃ tāvatimsānaṃ bhaddekarattassa uddesaṃ ca vibhaṅgaṃ ca ābhāsi:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,

Yad atītaṃ pahīnan taṃ, appattaṃ ca anāgataṃ.

Paccuppannaṃ ca yo dhammaṃ tattha tattha vipassati,

Asaṃhāraṃ asaṅkappaṃ taṃ vidvā-m-anubrūhaye.

Ajj' eva kiccaṃ ātappaṃ; ko jaññā maraṇaṃ suve?

Na hi no saṃgaram tena mahāsenena maccunā.

Evam vihāriṃ ātāpiṃ ahorattam atanditaṃ,

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

⁷ MN 134 at MN III 199–202.

Evaṃ kho ahaṃ, bhikkhu, dhāremi bhaddekarattiyō gāthā. Uggaṇhāhi tvam, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ ca. Pariyāpuṇāhi tvam, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ ca. Dhārehi tvam, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ ca. Atthasaṃhito, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddeso ca vibhaṅgo ca ādibrahmacariyako ti. Idam avoca candano devaputto. Idam vatvā tath' ev' antaradhāyi.

Atha kho āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo tassā rattiyā accayena senāsaṇaṃ saṃsāmetvā pattacivaraṃ ādāya yena sāvatti tena cārikaṃ pakkāmi. Anupubbena cārikaṃ caramāno yena sāvatti jetavanaṃ anāthapiṇḍikassa ārāmo yena bhagavā ten' upasaṃkami. Upasaṃkamitvā bhagavantaṃ abhivādetvā ekamantaṃ nisīdi. Ekamantaṃ nisinno kho āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo bhagavantaṃ etad avoca:

Ekamidam, bhante, samayaṃ sakkesu viharāmi kapilavattusmiṃ nigrodhārāme. Atha kho, bhante, aññataro devaputto abhikkantāya rattiyā abhikkantavaṇṇo kevalakappaṃ nigrodhārāmaṃ obhāsetvā yenāhaṃ ten' upasaṃkami. Upasaṃkamitvā ekamantaṃ aṭṭhāsi. Ekamantaṃ ṭhito kho, bhante, so devaputto maṃ etad avoca: 'dhāresi tvam, bhikkhu, bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ cāti? Evaṃ vutte ahaṃ, bhante taṃ devaputtaṃ etad avocaṃ: 'Na kho ahaṃ, āvuso, dhāremi bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ ca. Tvam pan', āvuso dhāresi ... vibhaṅgo ca ādibrahmacariyako ti. Idam avoca so, bhante, devaputto, idam vatvā tath' ev' antaradhāyi. Sādhu me, bhante, bhagavā bhaddekarattassa uddesaṇ ca vibhaṅgaṇ ca desetūti.

Jānāsi pana tvam ,bhikkhu, taṃ devaputtan ti?

Na kho ahaṃ, bhante, jānāmi taṃ devaputtan ti.

Candano nām' eso, bhikkhu, devaputto. Candano, bhikkhu, devaputto aṭṭhikatvā manasikatvā sabbaṃ cetaso samannāharitvā ohitasoto dhammaṃ suṇāti. Tena hi, bhikkhu, suṇāhi sādhukaṃ manasikarohi, bhāsissāmīti. Evaṃ bhante ti kho āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo bhagavato paccassosi. Bhagavā etad avoca:

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, nappaṭikaṅkhe anāgataṃ,
... (etc. as above) ...

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Kathaṇ ca, bhikkhu, atītaṃ anvāgameti? Evaṃrūpo ahoṣiṃ ... atītaṃ nānvāgameti.

Kathaṇ ca, bhikkhu, anāgataṃ paṭikaṅkhati? ... (as in No. 131) Evaṃ kho bhikkhu, paccuppannesu dhammesu na saṃhīrati.

Atītaṃ nānvāgameyya, –pe–

Taṃ ve bhaddekarotto ti santo ācikkhate munīti.

Idam avoca bhagavā. Attamano āyasmā lomasakaṅgiyo bhagavato bhāsitaṃ abhinandīti.

Lomasakaṅgiyabhaddekaratta uttaṃ catutthaṃ.

Lomasakaṅgiya and One Fine Night⁸

So I have heard. At one time the Buddha was staying near Sāvathī in Jeta’s Grove, Anāthapiṇḍika’s monastery. Now at that time Venerable Lomasakaṅgiya was staying in the Sakyan country at Kapilavatthu in the Banyan Tree Monastery. Then, late at night, the glorious god Candana, lighting up the entire Banyan Tree Monastery, went up to the Venerable Lomasakaṅgiya, and stood to one side. Standing to one side, he said to Lomasakaṅgiya: “Mendicant, do you remember the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night?”

“No, reverend, I do not. Do you?”

“I also do not. But do you remember just the verses on One Fine Night?”

“I do not. Do you?”

“I do.” “How do you remember the verses on One Fine Night?”

“This one time, the Buddha was staying among the gods of the Thirty-Three at the root of the Shady Orchard Tree on the stone spread with a cream rug. There he taught the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night to the gods of the Thirty-Three:

Don’t run back to the past, don’t hope for the future.

What’s past is left behind; the future has not arrived;

and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.

Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

Today’s the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!

For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

⁸ Tr. Bhikkhu Sujato 2018: <https://suttacentral.net/mn134/en/sujato> (last retrieved on 20.11.2010).

The peaceful sage explained it's those who keenly meditate like this,
tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.

That's how I remember the verses of One Fine Night. Learn the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine Night, mendicant, memorize it, and remember it. It is beneficial and relates to the fundamentals of the spiritual life." That's what the god Candana said before vanishing right there.

Then Lomasakaṅgiya set his lodgings in order and, taking his bowl and robe, set out for Sāvathī. Eventually he came to Sāvathī and Jeta's Grove. He went up to the Buddha, bowed, sat down to one side, and told him what had happened. Then he added:

"Sir, please teach me the recitation passage and analysis of One Fine night."

"But mendicant, do you know that god?"

"I do not, sir."

"That god was named Candana. Candana pays heed, pays attention, engages wholeheartedly, and lends an ear to the teaching. Well then, mendicant, listen and pay close attention, I will speak." "Yes, sir," Lomasakaṅgiya replied. The Buddha said this:

"Don't run back to the past, don't hope for the future.

What's past is left behind; the future has not arrived;

and phenomena in the present are clearly seen in every case.

Knowing this, foster it – unfaltering, unshakable.

Today's the day to keenly work – who knows, tomorrow may bring death!

For there is no bargain to be struck with Death and his mighty hordes.

The peaceful sage explained it's those who keenly meditate like this,
tireless all night and day, who truly have that one fine night.

And how do you run back to the past? ..." (*And the Buddha repeated the analysis as in MN 131.*)

That is what the Buddha said. Satisfied, Venerable Lomasakaṅgiya was happy with what the Buddha said.

6.2 The Sanskrit texts

6.2.1 SHT III 816

Folio 1

[1.] siddham e(vaṃ mayā śrutam ekasmin samaye bhagavān śrāva)sty(ām) viharat(i) sma jetavane anāthapiṇḍadasyārāme

[2.] tatra bh(agavān bhikṣūn āmantrayati sma) (...~6...) śṛṅgutha⁹ bhikṣava¹⁰ sādhu ca suṣṭhu ca manasīkuruta{ṃ} bhāsayiṣyāma{h}s tṛ(bhir dharmaiḥ sampannaḥ) (...~5...) bhikṣu¹¹ bhadrakarātrīya¹² ity avidhīyate¹³ | kadames¹⁴ tṛbhiḥ udītaṃ¹⁵ nama(s)e (...~7...) .ṣ. taḥ

[3.] pratyutpannā¹⁶ ca ⟨ye⟩ ddharme¹⁷ tatra tatra vipaśakaḥ¹⁸ asaṃhārya vikalpasthaḥ vidvas¹⁹ taṃ (nāvamanyate sam)ṛddhyate²⁰ |

adyeva kuryyam²¹ ādaptam²² | ko jāne²³ maraṇam{n} hi (śv)o

.ai .i +

[4.] namo ārya tha ku jarasya (...~8...) | tadyathā ace vice kuce sarve duṣṭā²⁴ sthabhām(i)²⁵ . . + .u .ṭ. śam āgachamda svāhā tā ka namo (...~7...) namo

⁹ Read: śṛṅguta.

¹⁰ Read: bhikṣavaḥ.

¹¹ Read: bhikṣo.

¹² Read: bhadrakarātrīya.

¹³ Read: avadhīyate.

¹⁴ Read: katamais.

¹⁵ Read: udītaṃ.

¹⁶ Read: pratyutpannāṃś.

¹⁷ Read: dharmāṃs.

¹⁸ Read: vipaśyakaḥ.

¹⁹ Read: vikalpastho vidvāṃs.

²⁰ Read: samṛddhyate.

²¹ Read: kuryāt.

²² Read: ātaptam. Cf. BHSD 91/2 for ātaptakārin: “ātapta as hyper-Skt. for Pali ātappa”.

²³ Read: jāñīyāt.

dharmasya namo saṃghasya namo saptānā samyaksambuddhānā²⁶
 saśrāvakaśaṃghānām ni (...~15...) (sa)mṛdhyatu tadyathā piśāci paṃnaśabharīḥ²⁷
 (śa)naśabharī²⁸ piśā(c)i (...~17...) iṣṭarevati mālakaṃṇṭhi svāhā | cha . . . ji . .
 (...~21...) hma mām jitaḥ mā iṣṭam jā .i . . ṃ

Fragment 1

Recto

(1) ++v.

(2) . . atha bhaga

(3) + kāḥ baṃndhamā

(4) ++ .i ++

Verso

(1)

(2) + narāḥ kāla

(3) . . dusvapnaṃ la

(4) + + + +

Fragment 2

Recto

(1) [t](a)[d]y(a)[th](ā) [v].[n].[v].[r].[n]. +

(2) ra te : hīnamadyama tā . .

(3) .āḥ yat kaścid bhikṣa[vo] ++

Verso

(1) dh[ā]rayiṣyati : sa[s]. . . +

(2) mṛtānām ca : bhadragar(t)r(īya)

(3) ? [ca] sā saḥ na [k]ālena

²⁴ Read: *duṣṭāṇ.*

²⁵ Read: *sthambhāmi.*

²⁶ Read: *saptānām samyaksambuddhānām.*

²⁷ Read: *parṇaśabari.*

²⁸ Read: *śanaśabari.*

6.2.2 SI 2004

Folio 1, 3, 4

[1.] (evaṃ mayā śrutam ekasmin samaye) bhagava²⁹ rājagṛh(e) viharati
gṛddhra(kūṭe)³⁰ (...~7...)

[2.] (...~12...) sya anyatarāya caṇḍalikaya³¹ ka (...~13...) (āyusmān ā)nānda
bhagava³² anusmarati ayo³³ me bhadante (...~7...) (me bha)dante sugata³⁴ tat
trātāro³⁵ me bhadante bhagava³⁶ trātāro me bhadante su(gatas trātāro) (...~4...) .ā
āyusmān ānanda atiriva³⁷ paridevamāna anyatarāya caṇ(ḍālikāya) (...~5...) kṛtam
abhūṣi³⁸ dṛṣṭvā ca punar bhagava³⁹ āyusmān ananda amandreti bh(ayāmy aham)
(...~5...) kakkhorddasya⁴⁰ bhayāmy ahaṃ bhadante bhagava⁴¹ kakkhorddasya⁴²
bhayāmy a(ha)ṃ (...~8...) (āyuṣ)mānanda⁴³ mā bhayāhi kakkhorddasya⁴⁴
udgṛhṇānand(a) (...~14...) .ā punā⁴⁵ hitaṃ bhaviṣyati cāturṇṇaṃ pari(ṣ)ā(nām)
(...~16...) arthaya⁴⁶ hitāya sukhāya saryathī(dam) (...~6...)

[3.] (...~12...) .m. tu (...~29...) tvī .ṛtā mantrayate sma tṛbhir dharmai⁴⁷
sa(mpannaḥ bhikṣo bhadrakrarātrīya ity u)cyate katamai(s) tribhiḥ

[3.1.] atitaṃ⁴⁸ nānvāgamay(e)d⁴⁹ (na cākāṃkṣed⁵⁰ anāgataṃ)

²⁹ Read: BHS *bhagavā*, Skt. *bhagavān*.

³⁰ Read: *gṛdhrakūṭe*.

³¹ Read: *caṇḍālikāya* (MIA oblique cases: instr., abl., dat., gen., loc. sg. f.).

³² Read: BHS *bhagavaṃ*, Skt. *bhagavantam*.

³³ Read: *ayaṃ*.

³⁴ Read: *sugatas*.

³⁵ Read: BHS *trātāro*, Skt. *trātā*.

³⁶ Read: *bhagavān*.

³⁷ Read: BHS *atiriva*, Skt. *atīva*.

³⁸ Read: BHS *abhūṣi*, Skt. *abhūt*.

³⁹ Read: BHS *bhagavaṃ*, Skt. *bhagavantam*.

⁴⁰ Read: *kākhordasya*.

⁴¹ Read: *bhagavan*.

⁴² Read: *kākhordasya*.

⁴³ Read: *āyusman ānanda*.

⁴⁴ Read: *kākhordasya*.

⁴⁵ Read: *punar*.

⁴⁶ Read: *arthāya*.

⁴⁷ Read: *dharmaiḥ*.

⁴⁸ Read: *atitaṃ*.

yad atitaṃ⁵¹ niruddhaṃ tad asaṃprāptam anāgatam
 pratyutpannāṃś ca ye⁵² dharmā(ṃs tatra tatra vipaśyakaḥ
 a)saṃhārya vikalpāṃś ca vidvāṃs tān nāvamanyate |
 adyaiva kuryād ātaptam ko (vidyān maraṇam hi śvas)
 .. dā |

na hi vaḥ saṃgani⁵³ tena mahāsainyena mṛtyunā |

[3.2.] sukhinaḥ sarvā satvā⁵⁴ hi (sarve sattvā nirā)mayā⁵⁵ |
 sarve bhadraṇi paśyaṃtu ma⁵⁶ kaścit pāpam agamaḥ⁵⁷

[3.3.] viharante caā (...4...)
 × × (bha)drakarātrīyaḥ sadaiva munir abravīt |

[4.] tadyathā (...~15...) mu kāśe aṭite anāgate pratyutpanne b. .e (...~14...)
 (mātaṅ)gī caṇḍi ghoṛi gandhāri cori caṇḍilī (...~25...) .r.y. . . i
 (...~24...) .t. . .

[5.] nānvāgamed⁵⁸ atītaṃ {n} tu na cākāṃkṣed⁵⁹ anā(gatam
 yad atītaṃ niruddhaṃ tad asaṃprāptam anāga)tam |
 pratyutpannāṃś ca ye⁶⁰ dharmāṃs tatra tatra vipaśya(kaḥ
 asaṃhārya vikalp(ā)ṃś ca vidvās⁶¹ tān nāvamanyate |
 adyeva⁶² kuryād ātaptam ko vidyā⁶³ maraṇa(ṃ hi śvas
 na hi vaḥ saṃgani⁶⁴) tena mahāsainyena mṛtyunā |

49 Read: anvāgamayet.

50 Read: cakāṅkṣed.

51 Read: atītaṃ.

52 Read: yān.

53 Read: saṃgaram.

54 Read: sarve sattvā.

55 Read: nirāmayāḥ.

56 Read: mā.

57 Read: āgamat.

58 Read: nānvāgacched. The form anvāgamet follows the caus. opt. form anvāgamayet in 3r3.

59 Read: cakāṅkṣed.

60 Read: yān.

61 Read: vidvāṃs.

62 Read: adyaiva.

63 Read: vidyān.

[6.] idam avocad bhagavān āptamanas⁶⁵ te bhikṣavo bha(gavato bhāṣitam a)bhinandam⁶⁶

[7.] atha bhagavān asya bhadrakarātrīyasya sūtrasya sarvasatvānugra(hāya)⁶⁷ (...~5...) (mantra)padād⁶⁸ bhāṣate sma | saryathīva⁶⁹ | vaṃtini vāriṇi gandhamartaṇḍe mani[n]i .i (...~11...) [I]i + . . gi sara rakte hīnamadhyamadhāriṇi maholani d. (...~17...)

kaścid bhikṣavo dasya⁷⁰ bhadrakarātrīya(sya sūtrasya) (...~18...) .ṃ
yiṣ[y]ati grāha[y]i(ṣyati) (...~8...)

Folio 2

× × × × ti vet(ā)ḍa⁷¹ y. × kṛtya bhaviṣyati |

sa × × × ∪ _ _ × × × × ∪ _ _ ×

× dagn(i) putrās catv(ā)ro viṣahomās ca triṃśati⁷² |

kāka × × ∪ _ _ × × × × ∪ saptat(i) |

sarvaṃ taṃ ghatanī⁷³ hanti prayogenāpi nityāśa

× × × × ∪ _ .āra triṃśat pratisarās(a)tam |

sarvaṃ taṃ ghatanīm hanti prayogenāpi (nityāśa)

× × × × ∪ taṃ śīrṣaṃ grīva⁷⁴ me āyasīkṛtam

jīhyā⁷⁵ gila⁷⁶ pravādasya vajrasya ḥṛdayaṃ ∪ ×

⁶⁴ Read: *saṃgaram*

⁶⁵ Read: BHS *āptamanasas*, Skt. *āttamanasas*.

⁶⁶ Read: *abhyanandam*.

⁶⁷ Read: *sarvasattvānugrahāya*.

⁶⁸ Read: *mantrapadam*.

⁶⁹ Read: *saryathīdam*.

⁷⁰ Read: *tasya*.

⁷¹ Read: BHS *vetāḍa*, Skt. *vetāla*. The preferred spelling of the Mūlasarvāstivādins is *vetāḍa*. Cf. Skilling 1992: 111 n. 4.

⁷² Read: *triṃśati*.

⁷³ Read: *ghātanīm*.

⁷⁴ Read: *grīvaṃ*.

⁷⁵ Read: *jīhvām*.

× × × × kṛto vastir jaṅghorū ratnadhāmayau |

pādaḥ me khaḍgasamghātau evaṃ caiva(m) √ – √ ×

× × ṇā nirmi(taś) c(ā)haṃ yo me kurya⁷⁷ dvipade catuspade |

āsane śa(yane) – × × × × × √ – √ ×

× × × × √ .ā kṣetre śmaśāneṣv⁷⁸ atha catvare |

tasya putreṣu – – × × × × × √ – √ ×

(...~6...) rt.ā . . sya rakṣaṃ bhavatu | yamāya (...~17...) mama gauś (ca)r(a)tu rtā
tasya dveṣṭi s. (...~9...)

⁷⁶ Read: *galaṃ*.

⁷⁷ Read: *kuryād*.

⁷⁸ Read: *śmaśāneṣv*.

6.3 The Chinese text Taishō XXI 1362

- p0881c02(00) || No. 1362⁷⁹
- p0881c03(00) || 佛說善夜經一卷
- p0881c04(00) ||
- p0881c05(00) || 唐三藏法師義淨奉 制譯
- p0881c06(00) || 如是我聞。一時薄伽梵。在王舍城竹林園所。
- p0881c07(00) || 去斯不遠有一苾芻住溫泉側。
- p0881c08(05) || 時有一天顏貌端嚴光明殊妙。過初夜分詣苾芻所。
- p0881c09(02) || 彼天威光周圓赫奕。悉皆照耀普遍溫泉。
- p0881c10(02) || 合掌禮敬在一面坐。白苾芻言大德。
- p0881c11(05) || 仁頗先聞善夜經不。苾芻答曰我未曾聞如是經典。
- p0881c12(02) || 復問天言仁先知不。天曰我亦不知。
- p0881c13(05) || 苾芻曰誰有知者。天曰無上慈父在竹林園。
- p0881c14(05) || 仁今可往詣彼請問。如佛所說當奉行之。
- p0881c15(06) || 說是語已忽然不現。時彼苾芻至天曉已。
- p0881c16(07) || 詣世尊所頂禮雙足。在一面立白言世尊。昨夜有天過初更後。
- p0881c17(00) || 來詣我所。光明照耀周遍溫泉。而問我言。
- p0881c18(00) || 仁頗先聞善夜經不。我言未聞。
- p0881c19(05) || 我問彼天仁先知不。答言不知。我復問言誰有知者。
- p0881c20(02) || 彼言無上慈父在竹林園。仁可往問。
- p0881c21(05) || 如佛所說當奉行之。說是語已忽然不現。
- p0881c22(06) || 我緣斯事故來至此請問世尊。佛告苾芻汝識彼天不。
- p0881c23(02) || 答言不識。
- p0881c24(15) || 汝今當知彼是三十三天勝妙天子威德大將名曰栴檀。為欲利益
諸眾生故。
- p0881c25(02) || 來覺悟汝問是經名。時彼苾芻復白佛言。
- p0881c26(03) || 世尊我今願聞善夜經典。唯願世尊哀愍為說。
- p0881c27(02) || 爾時世尊告苾芻言。此善夜經具大功德。
- p0881c28(03) || 若有聞者能斷煩惱速證菩提。汝應諦聽善極作意。
- p0881c29(00) || 吾當為說。過去諸法不應追念。
- p0882a01(05) || 未來諸法亦不希求。現在諸法勿生染著。
- p0882a02(06) || 如是行者名真解脫。爾時世尊即說頌曰。

⁷⁹ The Chinese text is provided by the *SAT Daizōkyō Text Database*: <http://21dzk.l.u-tokyo.ac.jp/SAT2012/T1362.html> (last retrieved on 20.11.2020).

- p0882a03(00) || 過去不應念 未來不希求
- p0882a04(00) || 於現在時中 皆如法觀察
- p0882a05(00) || 妄想心難遣 智人應善觀
- p0882a06(00) || 宜可速勤修 焉知至明日
- p0882a07(00) || 由彼死王眾 與汝鎮相隨
- p0882a08(00) || 是故我牟尼 善夜經今說
- p0882a09(00) || 常願諸有情 離苦獲安樂
- p0882a10(00) || 不造諸惡業 恒修於眾善
- p0882a11(00) || 爾時世尊為欲利益一切眾生。
- p0882a12(05) || 令於長夜得安隱樂離諸障惱。於生生處增長善根。
- p0882a13(02) || 常遇三寶不墮惡趣。復更說此陀羅尼曰。
- p0882a14(00) || 怛姪他 毘尼婆(引)喇爾 跋柁摩單滯 摩
- p0882a15(00) || 膩爾擻擻擻 瞿里健陀里 旃茶里摩登
- p0882a16(00) || 祇(上)薩囉爛帝 莫呼刺膩攝鉢利 斫羯囉
- p0882a17(00) || 婆(引)枳 攝伐里莫訶攝伐里 步精揭(巨列)
- p0882a18(00) || 爾 爾弭爾名揭爾 訖栗多(引) 爾 莎(引)訶
- p0882a19(00) || (引)僧拽體(天移)曇(去) 頰[口*束*頁]伽帝 捺囉伽帝
- p0882a20(00) || 謗蘇迦波(引)裔 劫布得(都洛) 迦波(引)裔
- p0882a21(00) || 答布檀泥(去)莎訶
- p0882a22(00) ||
- p0882a23(17) || 若有苾芻苾芻尼鄔波索迦鄔波斯迦及餘善男子善女人等。於此善夜經中。
- p0882a24(04) || 若一伽他若一句咒。讀誦受持供養尊重。
- p0882a25(05) || 明解其義為他演說。當知是人於一切時無諸災厄。
- p0882a26(02) || 亦無枉橫及諸衰惱。能知過去七生之事。
- p0882a27(03) || 亦不忘失大菩提心。決定能趣涅槃正道。
- p0882a28(04) || 若有善男子善女人。受持讀誦此善夜經者。
- p0882a29(04) || 於未來世所生之處。必定當得宿住之智。
- p0882b01(05) || 常受尊貴安隱快樂。復說頌曰。
- p0882b02(00) || 此人一切時 無有枉橫事
- p0882b03(00) || 由造順時業 永離非時死
- p0882b04(00) || 擁護諸眾生 令離病憂怖
- p0882b05(00) || 不祥及惡夢 險路常安隱
- p0882b06(00) || 若男子女人 戴持此經者
- p0882b07(00) || 具相人敬重 所願皆圓滿
- p0882b08(00) || 若於身語意 所有諸不善

- p0882b09(00) || 由此經威力 終無有惡報
- p0882b10(00) || 若水火王賊 雷電毒害等
- p0882b11(00) || 怨家戰諍時 念經皆得脫
- p0882b12(00) || 又復有明咒 若能讀誦者
- p0882b13(00) || 於一切時中 長善滅諸惡
- p0882b14(00) || 即說咒曰。
- p0882b15(00) || 怛姪他 爾弭尼民達哩 室哩盧迦(引) 盧
- p0882b16(00) || 枳爾 室哩輸攞陀唎爾 惡矩比 姪哩底
- p0882b17(00) || 奴麗 矩都軍底 矩都屈此 雞唼底矩比
- p0882b18(00) || 爾 擁護擁護我某甲於一切恐怖處 於一
- p0882b19(00) || 切疾病苦痛處 於一切憂愁相惱處於一切
- p0882b20(00) || 毒蟲毒藥處 於一切鬼魅厭禱處 於一切
- p0882b21(00) || 王賊水火處 於一切猛獸驚怖處 於一切
- p0882b22(00) || 謗讟言訟處 於一切怨家鬥諍處 於一切
- p0882b23(00) || 身意惡業處 所有語業四過處 於一切厄
- p0882b24(00) || 難危亡處 并執金剛神 常衛護我某甲
- p0882b25(00) || 并諸眷屬莎(引)訶(引)
- p0882b26(00) || 復說咒曰。
- p0882b27(00) || 怛姪他 呬里呬里弭里弭里 畢舍脂
- p0882b28(00) || 鉢拏 攝伐里止里莎訶
- p0882b29(00) || 爾時世尊說是經已。時彼苾芻及諸大眾。
- p0882c01(01) || 人天八部諸鬼神等皆大歡喜信受奉行。
- p0882c02(00) || 佛說善夜經

6.4 Index of Chinese characters

The following index of Chinese characters used to express the mantric syllables of the Chinese *Bhadrakārātrī-sūtra* was prepared in order to attempt a reconstruction of the underlying Indic sound substance of the Chinese *mantras*. I want to stress, however, that every reconstruction of the Indic version cannot be considered as the definite original Indic reading, but more as a suggestion, one possible reading of the underlying Indic sound substance.

The index is arranged according to the occurrence of the Chinese characters in the three *mantras*. Every character is listed with its serial number including the number of the radical and the additional strokes according to the *Kāngxī zìdiǎn* (康熙字典),⁸⁰ followed by the number under which the character can be found in Karlgren's *Analytic Dictionary* (1923). Characters missing in this dictionary were completed, where possible, with the help of Karlgren's article entitled *Prononciation ancienne de caractères chinois figurant dans les transcription bouddhiques* (1918–1919). The next column gives the Middle Chinese reconstructions developed by Baxter and Sagart according to their table of *Old Chinese Reconstructions* (2014). The subsequent listing represents the historical phonetics in Early Middle Chinese of Pulleyblank's *Lexicon of Reconstructed Pronunciation* (1991), which is followed by the Sanskrit equivalents to the Chinese characters given in Rosenberg's *Introduction to the Study of Buddhism According to Material Preserved in Japan and China. Part 1 Vocabulary* (1916). The next column displays Chen's Devanāgarī counterparts to some Chinese characters in the appendix to the article *Vowel Length in Middle Chinese Based on Buddhist Sanskrit Transliteration* (2003). The final Indic reconstruction results from a comparison of the phonetic transcriptions of the Chinese characters with the Tibetan reading of the *Bhadrakarātrī-mantras*.

⁸⁰ This information is derived from the Unihan database: <http://www.unicode.org/charts/unihan.html> (last retrieved on 20.11.2020).

Table 21: Index of Chinese characters used in the *Bhadrakarātrī* mantras.

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
<i>Mantra 1</i>							
怛	61:5	966	tat	tat	t, tt, ta, tā	tā, tat	tad
姪	38:6	1214		drit			ya
他	9:3	223	tha	t ^h a	tī, tī, di, dhi, te, ci	tā, thā	thā
毘	81:5	714		bji	pi, bi, bhi, bhī, vi, vī, ve, vai	pī, bhī, vī	bi
尼	44:2	659	nejX	nri	nī, nī, ni, ne, na, nya, nai	nī, nī	ni
婆(引)	38:8	753	ba	ba	ba, bā, bha, bhā, bh, va, pa, pha	pā, bā, bhā, vā	bhā
喇	30:9	=刺 509	lat	lat	ra, r(ṇa)		ra
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	nī, nī	nī	nī
跋	157:5	750		pa', pi ^h	pa, va, bā, ba, bha	bhā, vā	bud
柁	75:5	1011		da'	dha, da		dha
摩	64:11	593		ma	ma, mā, ba, mu	ma, mā	ma
單	30:9	968	dzyen	tan	ta(n)		tāna
滯	85:11	962	drjejH	driaj ^h			dhe
摩	64:11	593		ma	ma, mā, ba, mu	ma, mā	ma
膩	130:12	9	nrijH	nri ^h	nī, nī, nī, ṇe	nī	nī
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	nī, nī		nī
擻	64:10	=致 1214		tri ^h	tī, tī, tī, tē, t'ai		tī
擻	64:10	=致 1214		tri ^h	tī, tī, tī, tē, t'ai		tī
擻	64:10	=致 1214		tri ^h	tī, tī, tī, tē, t'ai		tī
擻	64:10	=致 1214		tri ^h	tī, tī, tī, tē, t'ai		tī
瞿	109:13	490	gju	kuš ^h , guš	gu, go, gho, gau, kau, ku		gau
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r, r		ri

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
健	9:9	373		gian ^h	kan, gan, gān, gha(n), ga	kān, gān	gan
陀	170:5	1011		da	da, dā, ḍā, dha, ta, tha, tya, dhyā, dyā, dhya	ḍā, tā, tī, thā, dā, dī, dhā	dha
里	166:0	529	liX	liʔ, liʔ	ri, ṛ, r		ri
旃	70:6	965		teian	can, cān, cī(n), tyā	cī	caṇ
茶	140:6	1322		drai, dre:	ḍa, dā, dha, dhyā, ṭa, da		ḍa
里	166:0	529	liX	liʔ, liʔ	ri, ṛ, r		li
摩	64:11	593		ma	ma, mā, ba, mu	ma, mā	ma
登	105:7	982	tong	təŋ	tañ, dan, ta		taṃ
祇(上)	113:4	=只 1213	gjie	gjiō, gji; teiā, tei	gi, ghi, gī, khya, khyā, ge, ghe, je, k	gī	gi
薩	140:14	1167		sat	sa, sā, sar	ṣā, śā, sā	sa
囉	30:19	569		la	la, lā, ra	rā, lā, vā	ra
爛	86:17	=闌 372	lanH	lan ^h	lan, ra(n)		lam
帝	50:6	986	tejH	tej ^h	tī, tī, te, ḍe	tī, dī	ṭe
莫	140:7	638	mak	mak, mō ^h	ma, mu	mā	ma
呼	30:5	85	xu	xo	hu, hū, ho	hū	ho
刺	18:7	509	lat	lat	la, ra	rā	la
膩	130:12	9	nrijH	nri ^h	ni, nī, nī, ṇe	ṇī	na
攝	64:18	667	syep	eiap	śa, śya		śa
鉢	121:5	707		pat	pa, pā		ba
利	18:5	527	lijH	li ^h	li, lī, le, rī, ri, ra		ri
斫	69:5	883	tsyak	teiak	ca		ca
羯	123:9	73		kiat	ka, gha		k
囉	30:19	569		la	la, lā, ra	rā, lā, vā	ra
婆(引)	38:8	753	ba	ba	ba, bā, bha, bhā, bh, va, pa, pha	pā, bā, bhā, vā, sā	pā
枳	75:5	1213		teiā, teiʔ	ki, ke, di		tī
攝	64:18	667	syep	eiap	śa, śya		śa

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
伐	9:4	16	bjot	buat	va, bha	pā, vā	ba
里	166:0	529	liX	liʔ, liʔ	ri, ɽ, r		ri
莫	140:7	638	mak	mak, moʰ	ma, mu	mā	ma
訶	149:5	414	xa	xa	ha, hā, ga, ka, khā, hī	hā	hā
攝	64:18	667	syep	eiap	śa, śya		śa
伐	9:4	16	bjot	buat	va, bha	pā, vā	ba
里	166:0	529	liX	liʔ, liʔ	ri, ɽ, r		ri
步	77:3	759	buH	boʰ	bu, bhū, ba	bū, bhū	bhu
精	119:8	=青 874	tsjeng	tsiajŋ			cid
揭(巨列)	64:9	73	gjet	kiat, kiat, k ^h iaj ^h	gā, ga, ka		gi
儻	9:14	=你 14		niʔ	ni, ni	nī	ni
儻	9:14	=你 14		niʔ	ni, ni	nī	ni
弭	57:6	11	mjieX	mjiəʔ, mjiʔ	mī, me	mī	mi
儻	9:14	=你 14		niʔ	ni, ni	nī	ni
名	30:3	633	mjieng	mjiəjŋ			ming
揭	64:9	73	gjet	kiat, kiat, k ^h iaj ^h	gā, ga, ka		gi
儻	9:14	=你 14		niʔ	ni, ni	nī	ni
訖	149:3	332	xj+jH	kit	k, k(ɽ)		ki
栗	75:6	531	lit	lit	li, ɽ		li
多(引)	36:3	1006	ta	ta	ta, ʈa, tu, tya, tyā, da, dha, t		tā
儻	9:14	=你 14		niʔ	ni, ni	nī	ni
莎(引)	140:7	846		swa	svā		svā
訶(引)	149:5	414	xa	xa	ha, hā, ga, ka, khā, hī	hā	hā
<i>Mantra 2</i>							
僧	9:12	1047		səŋ	sañ, siṃ, san, sam,	sāṃ	saṃ
拽	64:6	188		jiat	ya, ye		ye
體(天移)	188:13	538	thejX	t ^h ejʔ	thi		thi

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
曇 (去)	72:12	t'an, d'âm		dəm, dam	da, ta, dha, dum		dha
頰	181:6		'at	?at	a, ā	ā	a
[口*束* 頁]							ra
伽	9:5	342		gia; ga, gā, gha, ghā	kā, ka, ga, gā, gha, khya	ga, gā, gha, ghā, kā, dā	kā
帝	50:6	986	tejH	tej ^h	tī, tī, te, de	tī, dī	te
捺	64:8	649		naj ^h , na ^h	na, nā	nā	na
囉	30:19	569		la	la, lā, ra	rā, lā, vā	ra
伽	9:5	342		gia; ga, gā, gha, ghā	kā, ka, ga, gā, gha, khya	ga, gā, gha, ghā, kā, dā	kā
帝	50:6	986	tejH	tej ^h	tī, tī, te, de	tī, dī	te
謗	149:10	=謗 25	pangH	paŋ ^h			bam
蘇	140:16	823	su	sɔ	su, sū, so, sú, sa	su, sū	su
迦	162:5	342		kia; ka, kā	ka, kā, ga, gā, gha, kya	ka, kā, khā, gā	ka
波(引)	85:5	753	pa	pa	pa, pā, ba, va, vā, po	pa, pā, bhā, vā	pā
裔	145:7	185	yejH	jiaj ^h	ye		yi
劫	19:5	491	kjaep	kiap	ka	kā	ka
布	50:2	758	puH	pɔ ^h	pu, pū, bhū, po	pū	po
得(都 洛)	60:8	980	tok	tək	ta, ʈa		ta
迦	162:5	342		kia; ka, kā	ka, kā, ga, gā, gha, kya	ka, kā, khā, gā	ka
波(引)	85:5	753	pa	pa	pa, pā, ba, va, vā, po	pa, pā, bhā, vā	pā
裔	145:7	185	yejH	jiaj ^h	ye		yi
答	118:6	955	top	tɔp, tap	ta	tā	ta
布	50:2	758	puH	pɔ ^h	pu, pū, bhū, po	pū	po
檀	75:13	967		dan	dan, daŋ, da(n), dā(n), dha(n),	dā, dhān	dha

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
					dha(n)		
泥 (去)	85:5	659	nej	nej	ni, ne		ne
莎	140:7	846		swa	svā		svā
訶	149:5	414	xa	xa	ha, hā, ga, ka, khā, hī	hā	hā
<i>Mantra 3</i>							
怛	61:5	966	tat	tat	t, tt, ta, tā	tā, tat	ta
姪	38:6	1214		drit			dya
他	9:3	223	tha	t ^h a	tī, tī, di, dhi, te, ci	tā, thā	thā
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	ṇi, ni	nī	ni
弭	57:6	11	mjieX	mjiḍ', mji'	mī, me	mī	mī
尼	44:2	659	nejX	nri	nī, ṇi, ni, ne, na, nya, nai	ṇī, nī	ni
民	83:1	629	mjin	mjin	min, bi(n)		min
達	162:9	957	dat	dat, t ^h at	ta, da, dā, dha	tā, dā	dha
哩	30:7	=里 529		li', li'	ri, ṛ, r	rī	ri
窒	116:6	387	trit	trit			t
哩	30:7	=里 529		li', li'	ri, ṛ, r	rī	ri
盧	108:11	579		lo	lo, ro, ru, lu, rū		lo
迦(引)	162:5	342		kia; ka, kā	ka, kā, ga, gā, gha, kya	ka, kā, khā, gā	kā
盧	108:11	579		lo	lo, ro, ru, lu, rū		lo
枳	75:5	1213		teiā, tei'	ki, ke, dī		ka
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	ṇi, ni	nī	ni
窒	116:6	387	trit	trit			t
哩	30:7	=里 529		li', li'	ri, ṛ, r	rī	ri
輸	159:9	1327	syu	euḍ	śu, ṣo, śo	śū	śū
攤	64:19	569		la	la, ra, ro		la
陀	170:5	1011		da	da, dā, dā, dha, ta, tha, tya, dhyā, dyā, dhya	dā, tā, tī, thā, dā, dī, dhā	dha
唎	30:7	527		li ^h	li, lī, le, rī, ri, ra	rī	ra
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	ṇi, ni	nī	ṇi

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
惡	61:8	209	'uH	ʔak, ʔə, ʔə ^h	a, ɸ		a
矩	111:5	483	kjuX	kuǎ'	ku, kū, kau, gho	kū	ku
比	81:0	714	pjijX	bji	pi, pī, bhi, vi	pī	pi
姪	38:6	1214		drit			ti
哩	30:7	=里 529		li', li'	ri, r̄, r	rī	ri
底	53:5	984	tejX	tej'	tī, tī, dhi	ḍī, tī	tī
奴	38:2	674	nu	nə	nu, no		ni
麗	198:8	540	lejH	liǎ, li, lej ^h	li, re, rā		li
矩	111:5	483	kjuX	kuǎ'	ku, kū, kau, gho	kū	kud
都	163:8	1187	tu	tə	tu, tū, ʈu	tū	to
軍	159:2	508	kjun	kun	kuṇ		kuṇ
底	53:5	984	tejX	tej'	tī, tī, dhi	ḍī, tī	to
矩	111:5	483	kjuX	kuǎ'	ku, kū, kau, gho	kū	kud
都	163:8	1187	tu	tə	tu, tū, ʈu	tū	to
屈	44:5	493	khjut	k ^h ut	ku, gu		ku
此	77:2	714	tshjeX	ts ^h iǎ', ts ^h i'			pi
雞	172:10	ki, kiäi	kej	kɛj	ke, kī		ku
唎	30:10	=栗 531		lit	rī, (ḍī)r, r̄		r
底	53:5	984	tejX	tej'	tī, tī, dhi	ḍī, tī	tī
矩	111:5	483	kjuX	kuǎ'	ku, kū, kau, gho	kū	ku
比	81:0	714	pjijX	bji	pi, pī, bhi, vi	pī	pi
儻	9:14	=你 14		ni'	ṇi, ni	nī	ni
<i>Mantra 4</i>							
恒	61:5	966	tat	tat	t, tt, ta, tā	tā, tat	ta
姪	38:6	1214		drit			dya
他	9:3	223	tha	t ^h a	tī, ʈi, di, dhi, te, ci	tā, thā	thā
呬	30:5	=四 809		si ^h	hi, ha, i		hi
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̄, r		li
呬	30:5	=四 809		si ^h	hi, ha, i		hi

Table 21 (continued)

Character	Serial number	Karlgren	Baxter-Sagart	Pulleyblank	Rosenberg	Chen	*Indic
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̥, r		li
弭	57:6	11	mjieX	mjið', mji'	mī, me	mī	mi
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̥, r		li
弭	57:6	11	mjieX	mjið', mji'	mī, me	mī	mi
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̥, r		li
畢	102:6	718	pjit	pjit	pi, vi, pe		pi
舍	135:2	863	syaeX	eia', eia ^h	śa, śā, ṣa, śva, śi, śya, ṣya	cā, śā, śām, sā	śā
脂	130:6	=旨 1215	tsyij	tei	=旨 ci, ca	cī	ci
鉢	121:5	707		pat			pā
拏	64:5	674	nrae	nrai, ne:	ṇa, ṇya, nā, ne, ḍa		ṇā
攝	64:18	667	syep	eiap	śa, śya		śa
伐	9:4	16	bjot	buat	va, bha	pā, vā	ba
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̥, r		ri
止	77:0	1211	tsyiX	tei', tei'			ci
里	166:0	529	liX	li', li'	ri, r̥, r		li
莎	140:7	846		swa	svā		svā
訶	149:5	414	xa	xa	ha, hā, ga, ka, khā, hī	hā	hā