

SHREEGURULILAMRUTA

ENGLISH PARAPHRASE BOOK - 1

GNANKAND

CHAPTER-5

After hearing pupil's question Alakh said, your question is wonderful. I have to congratulate your intellect.1.

From the navel of Almighty Vishnu, Brahma came into existence. His son was Atri.2.

In order to continue succession of the universe, Brahma created seven Rushis': Marichi, Atri, Angiras, Pulatsya, Pulay, Kratu and Vashishth.3.

Atri was the second. He had come in existence from the eyes of Brahma. He was appropriately named since he was beyond three stages being awake, dream and sleep.4.

Brahma's purity of penance came on form of Atri. Know Atri as the father of Vedas.5.

When no one else knew about the first solar eclipse, all knowing Atri described the information to everyone.6.

He also created the fifth section of the rugveda. In which he gave knowledge to get benefits from hymn, fire and rainbow.7.

In golden era (Sat-yug), seeing the illnesses, he created the ayurved and composed the cure for all types of diseases.8.

Everyone was having difficulty to know (Almighty) in a proper way. He created the scripture known as Manu-Smriti. It described the method in an easy manner.9.

He was the son of the Supreme. He was having firm faith and was absolutely desire-free. Who can describe him?10.

At the request of a father, he married a beautiful chaste and best appearing daughter of Kardam Rushi. Her name was Anasuya.11.

With permission of the father, Atri and wife came to peak named Ruksh on a Kulachal Mountain (There are seven: Mahendra Malay, Sahya, Shaktiman, Ruksh, Vidhaya and Pariyatra).12.

He would pray to the Almighty by standing on one foot, survive on air and bear the heat and cold.13.

He did such penance for hundreds of years; this became widespread and reached to divine.14.

Upon seeing the determination Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva, All three were pleased and instantly appeared their standing with their symbolic weapons.15.

Atri's penance ended due to the brilliance of the Almighty and opened his eyes. He was ecstatic by seeing all three and started saying hymn. ...16.

Upon seeing all three, surprised Atri bowed to them. He said to Almighty, one doubt has arisen.17.

I was doing penance to only one. Why are all three of you here? Almighty! Have mercy and satisfy my doubt, so that mind can be at peace.18.

Divine Beings replied; listen Atri. We are one and the same even though we have three forms.19.

We appear to our devotees in form they worship but we stay as one Supreme Being.20.

In reality there is only one Almighty, it is the everlasting truth. Due to reasons of beliefs, there are various appearances.21.

Difference between one's self, Lord and nature is false and illusionary. Such differentiation extinguishes upon attaining complete knowledge.22.

One Almighty, but different rituals and beliefs have given different names. In this world due to intellect and lack of it, defines one to be ascetic and others as fool.23.

For act of creation, He is known as Brahma, for sustenance is known as Vishnu and for destruction is known as Shiva.24.

Like one on a throne is a king, in the battle field is a warrior and for the queen is an ardent. Yet the person is one and the same, for which there is no doubt.25.

Therefore three of us are one. Do not see any differentiation.26.

Upon saying such, all three became into one form.27.

Seeing divine form Atri was elated and meditated at heart; offered a reverence bow and prayers.28.

Oh mighty Brahma one born from lotus flower! Oh Vishnu! Oh Shiva, husband of Parvati! I am your humble servant. Almighty with three qualities¹ have mercy on me.29.

Oh Lord! By seeing You one's attachments cease and by reciting a sinister is purified.30.

Give me a vision of non-duality and show me the eternal light. Please take away the differentiation of You and I and accept this servant.31.

Oh Lord! At the request of the father, I am surrendering at your feet so that my desires and attachments wither away.32.

Three-form Almighty said: Oh knowledgeable Atri! Praise to you! As a token of blessing, We are giving ourselves to you.33.

Thinking of our form, you will have a divine son born. He will spread you fame and reputation and fulfill all your wishes.34.

After this, all three forms became invisible. After accepting the request of Almighty, Atri and wife came to live at the bank of Reva (Narmada) river.35.

Bank of Narmada is very beautiful. It is glorious and purifying river, where they started living.36.

Both the banks of the Narmada are equally purifying. Narmada is the form of Shiva. Just seeing at it with devotion washes away the sins. Praise to glorious Reva!37.

By its touching all the affliction subside. Its unfathomable water is equal to nectar. Its limestone is considered to be Shiva and Ganpati. Holy and saints pray to and in return fulfills the desires for them.38.

It lives in Vindhyachal, begins from Mekal mountain and merges into Western Ocean.39.

Like virgin Ganges River, Narmada in musical deity form, people and demons go around with devotion to fulfill desires.40.

At its banks are worthy ever green forests. Both banks have temples which provide unlimited religious deeds.41.

1. Three qualities = essence, molecule, darkness.

Just thinking of Reva, one's hindrances and most painful diseases like leprosy are cured by bathing in it.42.

She is like a mother Annapurna. Who helps one swim across the worldly attachments and birth cycle. Its existence is from Shiva. Savior of the sinful.43.

Once, Shiva did penance to be victorious over demigod of death. Perspiration from such is the origin of the calm Narmada.44.

Narmada begins from Shiva, with ability to emancipate and purify. This is where Ansuya Ma and husband Atri rushi came to live with happiness.45.

In state of Gujarat where Reva and Arandi conjoin is where they built the beautiful ashram to stay.46.

Sacred ashram is located on a fertile holy land. Here Shuka yogi was born and liberated.47.

Ashram is located near northern bank that provides feeling of relaxation and people called it as Ansuya Ma.48.

There lived the sacred husband and wife happily worshipping Brahma. Praise to them!49.

Devotionally worshipping Brahma, Hari (Vishnu) and Har (Shiva) as one. They were victorious over the process of breathing.50.

Chaste Ansuya with belief that husband is the form a God. She would always be busy to service him as such. She would willingly adjust as per needs of husband and serve accordingly.51.

She had determination and vow to bathe, donate, always pray, do offerings and offer hospitality to uninvited guests.52.

Devs' became concerned seeing difficult self mortification. Devs' were living as per wishes of the wives so they would not get angry.53.

Sun would subdue the intense rays and shine, so that wives would not feel the heat. Sun would do this to keep them happy.54.

There would always be a calm breeze. Seasons maintain appropriate atmosphere. Therefore, flowers, vegetables and fruits of their likings would grow.55.

Clouds would rain appropriate amount as per their wish. Moon would shine to provide happiness and treasurer would provide the wealth. Such pleasing environment this was.56.

Earth softened in fear that rocks would pinch and color of soil lightened as well.57.

Demigod of death and disease were warned not to enter the ashram without permission of Ansuya Ma.58.

Even enemies from birth such as: tiger and sheep, serpent and mouse, swan and fish, they all were playing together.59.

Such celebration of happiness was always there. Impractical demigods became jealous,60.

All these demigods were full of fear and created commotion. They made Indra (demigod of clouds) the leader and went to heavenly abode of Lord Vishnu.61.

Humbly prayed to Vishnu and explained their concerns. It has become hard to stay in heaven.62.

Praise to Ansuya and Atri Rushi! Their devotion is praise worthy! Their living is praise worthy as well!63.

Oh Lord! We fear day and night. We offer conveniences due to fear. Oh savior of devotees! You are our only support.64.

Who knows when and which demigod may be cursed and take over its stature? Please protect us.65.

Lord Vishnu started thinking that Atri and Ansuya do not have desire for heaven.66.

Even in dream they do not want the stature of demigod. Why are they unnecessarily afraid?67.

Still I will find a way to ease their fear. Then, Lord said brave ones.68.

Have no fear or suspicion and go back to your places. Vishnu is thinking, let me see;69.

Who are Atri and Ansuya? What is the strength of their penance? How strong is their faith and trust? How determined are they? What is their desire?70.

Lord replied to demigods; I accept your fears. I will comfort all of you. With such soothing words sent all of them back. Vishnu, provider of the blessings started planning.71.

Atri is my adorable and knowledgeable devotee. Ansuya is unparalleled chaste wife. There are no others like them.72.

Let me do something they would like and give them my visible form. With that thought, a story of an incident comes to mind.73.

In the three parts of universe, there are no chaste wives like us was the ego of Savitri, Laxmi and Parvati.74.

I will eliminate their ego at the moment was the resolve. Narad Muni came to the palace of Brahma.75.

Narad has a lute on a shoulder, small melodious cymbal in hand, auspicious mark on forehead and recites the name of the Lord.76.

Mat is provided for sitting, Lord asks, why and from where have come suddenly?77.

Hey Narad, give me a reply. Narad said: currently I am returning from the earth.78.

Savitri asked son of God, what have you seen on earth that is so miraculous that wanders over to. Why does mind desires to go there? ...79.

Oh Ma, replied Narad! Listen to the marvel that I saw there. Compare to there even palace of the Brahma is pale.80.

Currently, on the earth lives fortunate rushi and his wife. There are no others like them.81.

With reciting and penance, they have pleased the Almighty and control the demigods. Demigods act according to their wishes.82.

Even in a dream agony does not exist. Everyday is a day full of joy. One would have no desires to leave such a sacred place.83.

In comparison to rushi's ashram, this palace is of no consideration. Oh Ma! There are no words for one to describe its happiness.84.

Savitri asked, Is there more happiness there than here? Are people there more courteous and of good character.85.

Narad said: Ma, what can I say? Praise to the materialistic world! Praise to ones there as well as rushi!86.

Amongst all this, there are no words to describe the chastity of rushi's wife. Praise to the obedient vow to husband. It cannot be described. ...87.

Oh Ma! Happiness there is hundreds of times greater there. Everything else is of no significance including this palace.88.

Savitri said praise to you! Tell me of those who live there, who is more devout wife than me?89.

Narad replied: devoutness of rushi's wife is such that there is no one who can describe it.90.

Even mother Paravati and Laxmi are meek then what would be of your importance? Praise to the wife of a rushi! They can do whatever they desire.91.

Due to their devotion to husbands, they can sway the universe. What is to be surprised about it?92.

Mother, what more can I say? Even your husband Lord Brahma sees her with enormous respect. Why talk of others?93.

Again Savitri asked: Narad tell me how is the wife of the rushi with firm determination.94.

Narad replied: there are many women with such virtues living on the earth.95.

There is one couple more unique and incomparable. One with complete devotion is Ansuya, she is worthy of praises.96.

Shesh (serpent in mythology) gets tired in describing then who else has the ability to do so?97.

Hearing such, Savitri was silenced, sadden and went into deep thoughts of concern. Seeing this, Narad asked for leave and went to the palace of Lord Vishnu.98.

Seeing Narad, Laxmi lovingly praised him! I was just thinking of you, Narad. Where are you coming from?99.

Narad replied: I have come from palace of Brahma going through the earth.100.

Laxmi asked: Narad, you wander in all three parts of universe. Tell me if you have seen anything surprising.101.

Son of Brahma said: Ma, praise to bank of Narmada River! On earth live rushi's and their wives.102.

Beauty of the ashram can not be described with words. One seeing would be fascinated by it.103.

All the wives are chaste. Praise to ones with devotion of the husbands!
In caring for the saints and devotees, they gave up their being.104.

Pray to the husbands with mind, words and activities. They have a pledge
that an uninvited guest does not go back without satisfaction. This is even true
in the dreams.105.

Demigods were pleased with such a vow are living there and have given
pledge to them.106.

Ma! What more can I say? Even Brahma and Vishnu are amazed by the
sanctity. They do not do anything against their wishes.107.

Laxmi said: praise to you! Tell me, who is this wife of a rushi with the
best devotion for her husband?108.

Is her determination grater than mine? Does she have greater devotion
than me? Narad replied, ma to tell you the truth, she is hundreds of times better.
.....109.

All the wives are faithful, but one of them is the best of all. Upon seeing
her, one becomes purified.110.

Observing the wife of Atri rushi, Ansuya's, devotion for him, your
affection and love are pale.111.

Laxmi went into deep thoughts upon hearing the reply. Seeing this Narad
left with permission.112.

From there Narad went Kailas, palace of Shiv and offered reverence to
Parvati Ma. Parvati welcomed and asked;113.

How are you? Where are you coming from? Are there any news? .114.

I have come here first from earth then palace of Vishnu and Brahma.
.....115.

I have experienced the happiness on the earth that is unequal to anywhere
else so far.116.

Ma said: please elaborate more on what you just said. Narad said: Ma,
what I have stated is the fact. Have no doubt about it.117.

Rushi's and their wives live religiously according to social and moral
order. In following such tradition do rituals for the deities and ancestors
exhausting their physical forms.118.

Seeing the best type of penance and faith, demigods and fore fathers
were satisfied.119.

Most importantly devotion of the wives is worth praising them. Without a doubt their faith and devotion is very unique.120.

Even demigods are intimidated and service them. Brahma, Hari and Har have become servants to their sentimental gestures.121.

Ma! What can I say about the happiness there? Praise to the penance! After seeing this, I had no mind to leave the ashram.122.

Parvati said lovely Narad; tell me if wives of the rushi's are chaste than me?123.

At whose feet demigods have become servants of. Who is such an ascetic woman?124.

Narad said Ma! Why do you doubt about it? I swear that nothing I have said is false.125.

All the wives are ascetic and devoted to their husband's, but Ansuya is the best amongst them.126.

Wife of Atri is the ultimate of all and well known in the world. She is the symbol of devoutness (devotion) for husband. She is the physical form of such devotions.127.

Even Laxmi looks weak then what is your value? Ma Uma was disappointed by hearing such.128.

Narad saw Parvati in deep thoughts. He bowed and returned after setting the fire with all three.129.

Power to the Lord for such creations in the world so that even all three devis were disappointed. Hearing praises of Ansuya they became restless.130.

Woman can not bear to see others better than one self. Therefore Parvati, Laxmi and Savitri were quite and troubled with anxiety.131.

Mind became restless due to repulsiveness. Started thinking how to snatch the sanctity of Ansuya.132.

When Almighty desires to give benefits for deeds, he does it mysteriously and beyond one's conception or imagination.133.

To reward Ansuya for her devotion, Lord made Narad the messenger to disappoint all three wives.134.

Praise to benevolent Atri! Praise Ansuya! Praise to their devotion! Is there anyone like them?135.

Penance of Kardam rushi has succeeded and its fruition came in form of Ansuya ma.136.

It would be modest to compare her with the moon. Moon has a blemish such comparison would blemish Ansuya.137.

Comparing her to the sun is like her brilliance would make her loose similar to sunset. The brilliance is so divine that it cannot be eclipsed. .138.

She is benevolent like Vishnu and knowledgeable like Shiv. Servant and like a child of both Deva's yet one is not able to compare with them. .139.

For Lord to take physical form, he had to create world of illusion. Only then he is able to incarnate.140.

In order for Lord to incarnate in a new form, he brought Ansuya into existence on the earth.141.

Please do not make mistake in thinking of her as creation of attachments or illusion. Attachments of creation are dull while she is full of divinity. .142.

Divine forms of Atri and Ansuya, physically may be separate but are of the one and same divinity.143.

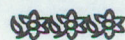
If she were not like that then three Devas' would not take incarnate from her. Praise to ultimate and holy Ansuya! Praise to the best Atri rushi as well!144.

All three Devas' came as three form divine child. By reciting His name, one's sins, worldly attachments and birth cycle will end, have no fear. .145.

All three devis' decided to send their husbands to abduct the sanctity of her devotion.146.

To eliminate ego of the wives, Lord created such a mysterious plan. This was detailed in this chapter.147.

No one has the ability to understand Lord's skill and mystery. Oh Rang! One can succeed in this world with blessings of the Guru.148.



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Rang says listen as it continues. Alakh said: Niranjan listen attentively.

Child Niranjan is worthy of praises.1.

Narad quickly left after spreading malice. All three became uneasy and envious and restless.2.

Shortly, distraught Savitri went to the palace of Vishnu and told Laxmi what Narad had said.3.

Laxmi replied: I know all this, as he came to tell me the same thing. .4.

How can we bear such praises to Ansuya? Let us go to Uma ma and inform her of this.5.

Both of them went to Kailas, they saw agitated and sadden Parvati. .6.

Both told Parvati, she replied: Narad also informed me as well. I have been upset and sad since.7.

Praises of the young girl, how can we tolerate it? Why are you not saying anything?8.

All three decided to send their husbands to test Ansuya.9.

To test her faith and devotion in a manner that she loses her virtues and luster.10.

After deciding they returned to respective abode. Oh Lord! Your creation is mysterious. Even a leaf can not move without your wish.11.

Per your impulse all three became uneasy, envious and helpless. They started to act like an inferior woman.12.

All three returned to their palaces. They started talking to their husband about abduction the virtues of the chaste Ansuya.13.

My Beloved! Oh Lord! Oh my soul! On earth, wife of a rushi has more joy.14.

Since hearing of her fame and reputation from Narad, the heart is in flame.15.

Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh asked. Who is the best chaste?16.

Who has the most fame? Whose reputation are you talking about? All three replied, listen without suspicion.17.

We are not at peace since hearing about reputation of Atri rushi's wife Ansuya.18.

She lives in the ashram at the bank of pure and holy Narmada River. We have been uneasy since Narad talked about miraculous power of their penance.19.

Therefore, quickly go in a human form to abduct the virtues to defame her. It will return our joy.20.

You have been lured by anxiety and jealousy. It is not appropriate to be angry at your daughter-in-law.21.

Anger and hatred is immoral. You are sending us to break her vow, what if something goes wrong? You should love her.22.

Ansuya has spent her life helping and caring for the helpless and uninvited visitors.23.

With blessings of mother Narmada and devotion to husband, she has the capability and energy of divinity.24.

Vexation without a cause leads to one's wicked deeds. To harass an individual with purity, one vanishes the family.25.

A saint would prefer to die instead of getting angry. When one's fate is against it then saint may get angry at him.26.

No one has the ability to stop the anger of a saint. Be sure to keep this in mind before you decide to do something. Otherwise, you will be afflicting yourself.27.

All three deva's are explaining to their wives. Due to jealousy filled heart on fire, they could not believe it or accept.28.

It is like a patient on death bed does not want to take medication. Similarly, when fate changes; one does not listen to proper advice.29.

Obstinacy of a king, yogi, child and a woman, of which woman's does not go away until fulfilled.30.

All three wives said: quickly go without hesitation and snatch her chastity.31.

With such command Brahma, Vishnu and Shiv agreed to go. On the way all three met under banyan tree and were thinking.32.

Narad has created such a dilemma in our house. Let's find a way so that our intentions are successful.33.

After thinking and discussion, it was decided that wife of Atri is beautiful. She is consumed in caring for the guest. She is warm hearted to saints and religious ones.34.

She feeds the guest and saints with love. She constantly cares for them with faith and devotion.35.

Therefore, this afternoon we will go there and ask for food and have her serve it while naked. It will be suffice for the objective.36.

All of them liked the idea. Brahma, Vishnu and Shiv quickly came to the ashram as mendicant.37.

They loudly spoke "Narayan" and asked for food. Hearing this, beautiful Ansuya came out.38.

Seeing peaceful forms, she respectfully bowed. She asked devas', where are you coming from? How can I be of service?39.

You go have a bath; meanwhile I will have the food ready. I am humbly bowing to you.40.

My husband has gone to Narmada River to do his six religious activities (bath, prayers, study the Vedas, offerings, self mortification/ penance and Vaishva-dev). He shall be returning shortly upon completing the activities.41.

I will serve the food after offering prayers.42.

Oh saints! You go and finish your religious activity and return quickly. It is almost time for him to come. You might even meet him on the path.43.

Devas' replied: Hey Ma! We have fasted for many days. Today we have ended our concentrated meditation¹.44.

We are very hungry; therefore we have come quickly for food. If you want to serve then do so. Otherwise we will go to some other house.45.

Immediately, she placed the mats for them to sit on while saying prayers.46.

1. Trance.

Her prayers were with appropriate Vedic mantra, to purify the plates. She applied the clarified butter (ghee) to plates to purify.47.

Dev's spoke up hey chaste Ansuya. Listen to one thing. We have come here by hearing of your fame and reputation. Praise to your etiquette and thinking.48.

We have one resolution, which is serve us being naked. Then we will accept the food.49.

Therefore remove clothing and bring the food to serve us. If this is not possible then quickly inform us, so we can go somewhere else.50.

Hearing such request, chaste Ansuya was thinking and talking to herself. Oh Gurudev husband! Help me succeed in this.51.

These are not the beggars or uninvited guests but they are definitely divine form. They are testing me to see, what is within my mind.52.

If the unexpected go back then it is a shame on me as house holder. A house where one is not taken care is not a house but a jungle.53.

My mind and heart is pure and sacred. I am always without fear. So how can this wicked request affect me?54.

This beautiful body of mine within omnipresent Lord is staying.55.

This is beautiful house that is not seen by eyes due to worldly vision. There are nine doors to the house and owner lives happily inside. (To various parts of body such eyes etc.)56.

Similarly this body is the house for a soul. To rid of waste there is a plumbing in the house while body has organs and anus.57.

Soul is omnipresent, shapeless and beyond the body. The moral detention does not affect it.58.

If there is no ego then sins do not exist there; reason being and ego is the evil root for the sins. I have such knowledge from teaching from him (husband).59.

If I became scared by thinking body is the soul then how can I be a follower of Veda? By serving naked, my life will have succeeded by liberation.60.

There is always a light of knowledge therefore good and bad deeds do not touch me and immorality turns into ashes.61.

I am naked without desire and passion. Therefore, I will serve the guests naked.62.

After thinking all this, she said ascetic ones, praise to you. Sit comfortably; I will obey your request.63.

Ascetics became happy hearing this. They started saying; Oh Mother, serve quickly. We are very hungry.64.

Ansuya, started thinking, they are calling me as a mother. The feeling of children and affectionate in the guests is completely pure.65.

Therefore, I will have no blemish in serving them naked. Guest will also be happy which will make husband happy.66.

My husband has given a command to ensure that visitors do not become unhappy even if death comes. Always, keep that in mind.67.

These guests like children are not asking for anything else. Even if they should ask for my soul, I shall give it to them.68.

In mind she mendicated at the feet of the husband and became naked in the kitchen.69.

As she was coming with food, guests turned into form of infants. She was surprised and quickly picked up the children.70.

She took them in her lap and massaged with oil and gave devas' a bath with water.71.

Children started crying due to hunger. She was thinking what now. Instantly milk was flowing from the breasts.72.

She happily fed one after another with milk flowing from the breast. Almighty are not easily pleased with religious rituals but were satisfied with breast feeding.73.

Once three devas' were satisfied, she put them in a cradle to sleep and started singing the nursery hymn. Praise to the strength of Ansuya ma! .74.

Atri returned after finishing his daily rituals. He was surprised upon hearing the melodious nursery hymn.75.

Mother Ansuya, bearer of knowledge, is singing in a low and sweet voice. She bowed to him and told him the miraculous happening.76.

After listening rushi spoke, Ansuya praise to you! Praise to your penance and devotion.77.

You have made your mother and father immortal. Beloved; you gave my family the success with this. Lord will sing your virtues.78.

Atri closed his eyes and recognized they were Brahma, Vishnu and Shiv. Beloved, by making three devas as child, you have reached to extremity. .79.

Ansuya said, Oh beloved, I bow entirely to the strength of your feet. By praying to them, became quite as if forest fire was put out within. ...80.

Both of them went next to the cradles and offered prayers. Oh divine with eternal bliss! Oh Lord! We humbly bow to you.81.

Your name purifies one. Just thinking of even helpless succeed, work of lame is also completed.82.

You are only subdued by true and complete affection. Thereby, take various forms, Praise to Brahma, Vishnu and Shiv! You truly support and maintain prestige of a devotee.83.

All three of you are of one form. We bow to your child form. Fulfill our intense desires by doing your mysterious activities.84.

Oh Lord! You have purified our ashram by coming. What else can we say? All of our desires have been fulfilled today.85.

Alakh says listen Niranjana! Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva; as they became children and playing with curiosity; praise to such surroundings of Atri's ashram!86.

Lord who is the provider for infinite universe; easily was satisfied with breast feeding by mother Ansuya.87.

Six months passed by as they were playing. Savitri, Laxmi and Parvati were thinking with sadness.88.

Waiting for husband day and night were getting worried, all three got together and started asking each other. Where could our husbands be? ...89.

Six months have passed and have not returned. Oh alas! Who knows what Ansuya might have done with them?90.

We do not even see Narad. Who can bring news other than him? Thinking of Narad and he arrived.91.

Happily playing a lute and reciting Lord's name. Seeing Narad all the three put aside pride and asked:92.

Oh Narad! What happened after all three devs' went to Ansuya's ashram? Six months have gone by, why have they not returned?93.

Do you have any further news? Narad replied: Would you like me to tell you the truth or a fib?94.

Bravo! All three husbands of yours are swaying in the cradles. Oh, Oh, Oh! They have been allured with Ansuya mother's breast feeding.95.

Three devis replied for no reason why are you playing such a joke on us? We do not like even for a moment without our husband. Heavenly palaces feel empty and quite.96.

Narad said: to tell you the truth, three divine had gone to break the vow of a chaste, but due to her strength, it had transverse effect.97.

With her determination and faith, all three divine forms became infants. They received such joy and happiness, then why would be concerned about you?98.

Almighty does not give vision in dream, even after deep thinking of scriptures i.e. Upanishads etc. Here they are children and breast fed by chaste Ansuya.99.

Praise to fortunate, husband and wife, couple! Who can describe their prosperity? With reciting their name, one can emancipate from the birth cycles. There is no place for suspicious.100.

Praise to Ansuya ma who is worthy of reverence bow from the world. Now she is your mother-in-law; therefore praise to you all as her daughter-in-law.101.

Ashamed and head lowered all the three Devis asked Narad, with mercy, forgive us and tell us, how can we get our husband back?102.

We have received the punishment of our pride? Whom can we tell the dexterity of the mystery?103.

Narad said, now go to mother Ansuya. She does not have ego or pride. She will fulfill your request.104.

She does not have duality or hatred; without her telling the three forms of Almighty, they will not come back. So go now.105.

In reply all three said, Oh Narad! You come along with us to the ashram of Ansuya and request all three devas.106.

Narad asked: why do you need me there? Still, I will come. Narad and devis started to go.107.

They reached Narmada River and bathed. They started praying to calm and elderly Narmada as:108.

Oh Narmada, beginning from the Lord Shiva, you provided the rank to Shiva. Your water is without dirt and always reciting "Aum".109.

You have emancipated who have bathed here and some who drink; your blessings have provided support and desires fulfilled.110.

Give us complete blessings and free our husbands from Ansuya's captivity. Please fulfill our wish.111.

Atri and Ansuya are your dearest devotees, so they will not disobey the request.112.

With such prayer, Narmada appeared before them, Blessed them and told them not to worry and go. All of the activities will be completed.113.

With such blessing three devis and Narad bowed and proceeded to the ashram.114.

Ansuya came running to greet them.115.

She bowed to all three venerable mother-in-laws and Narad and invited them in.116.

She offered seats and performed rituals, then asked them the reason for coming.117.

Upon listening to all three devis offered praised to her as well as her faith. Also praise to your devotion for the husband!118.

Praise to your reverence! Your ego has been completely dissolved. Really in a body you are the divinity form.119.

You are of the Brahma lineage; you are the emblem of the Truth. You do not have differences with you love. Due to your love; Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh turned into children.120.

Yours, our and theirs is the identical form. Your quality of love in devotion is incomparable. You are worthy of praises!121.

You are the main energy (strength) goddess, Chitkala and Durga are your names. Oh Ambe Ma! You are worthy of such names. You can fill all the wishes.122.

Reciting of your name avoids obstacles, oppression and affection. Poverty and pain, sadness are removed. You also provide benefit to helpless.123.

Bathing with dirt from union of Narmada River and reciting Atri-Ansuya, one disease will be cured, even most severe such as leprosy.124.

By one coming to the ashram takes one's sins, wickedness lame or diseases stricken. Person with faith and trust bathes with sand of rivers and comes to the ashram will be relieved of such pains and miseries. ...125-126.

One who feeds a Brahmin at this scared ashram will get righteousness of feeding many.127.

Anyone who does musing of prayers or penance will quickly earn the benefits of it and swim across this materialistic river. Oh river of the boon! By seeing you and offering rituals, desires are fulfilled.128.

This place will be well known as Ansuya-Ashram. With your blessings, one will achieve the wishes and desires.129.

What more blessings can we give you? Furthermore, we and our husbands will always be with you, and fulfill the request of the devotees.130.

Oh Beautiful One! Our promise will be the eternal truth! You have obliged us so much that we can never repay you.131.

Oh Ansuya! In this universe there is no one like you in devotion for the husband and there will be none ever.132.

Oh chaste one! You are the mother of Veda and form of it as well. Three devis bowed to Ansuya Ma. All are of identical form.133.

They bowed back to each other. Distinguish of divinity and devotee did not exist any more, therefore there is no jealousy or sorrow134.

Savitri, Laxmi and Uma without pride and vanity said, Oh Ansuya! With love, please give us a gift of one thing.135.

Our husbands who are Devas, whom you have turned into infants. Free them from infancy and return them to us.136.

Divine power of a chaste woman is her husband. She is uncomfortable without him. Oh Ansuya! Have mercy on us and give us our husbands as a gift.137.

Ansuya said, look! They are all sleeping in the cradle. You can happily take the respective ones. Upon hearing all three ran to the cradle.138.

There they saw all three were of identical looks. They were wonder-struck upon seeing and were saying to each that praise to unique and boundless devotion.139.

Her mysterious achievements have clearly shown that they are worthy of meditating.140.

They could not distinguish who was their husband. If they touch someone else that would break the devoutness (sanctity) for the husband. They were regretting the envy and pride.141.

Had we listened to the husband, we would not have been in this quandary.142.

Dejected, each one prayed within to one's husband for forgiveness. Still, they were not able to distinguish among all three children.143.

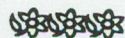
Became helpless and put aside the pride and one of them said, Oh Ansuya, now the solution to the mystery is in your hands.144.

Oh Ansuya! Recognize each one and hand them to us. Chaste one laughed and came near the cradle and started praying.145.

All three will come back to their form; such nectar filled mystery is ahead.146.

Pride of three devis was defeated and three devas became children of chaste Ansuya was described in the chapter. Hearing, evil will run away. .147.

Mystery of the Lord is unfathomable; one cannot understand or figure out. Rang Says with blessing of the Guru then why would it take long? .148.



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ENGLISH PARAPHRASE BOOK - 1

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CHAPTER-7

Alakh said: Ansuya Ma came near cradle and closed her eyes and praying with concentration to the feet of Almighty.1.

She bowed at their feet and said: Oh love of the devotees! Oh Hari! You are always satiated; yet are always hungry for the love and affection. It is something not easily understandable.2.

You are complete and independent; though you are subservient to the devotion (reverence). By which you have given an importance and dignity. Who can understand your arrangement?3.

Three devis, who have come here is also of your arrangement. Please fulfill their wishes.4.

You have used me as a pretext and created the mystery which one would not know or understand. Now show your beautiful true natural form, Oh Lord! Please end the mysterious act.5.

Oh Lord! Now please appear in your natural form, quickly to fulfill everyone's desires.6.

You have taken various forms from one. You are still one form. Oh Lord! Appear and provide us the knowledge of it.7.

Hearing the request of the chaste, Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh appeared in their original form, by which the doubt was removed.8.

Then each one with the wife sat in their vehicle. Seeing this one's intellect gets confused.9.

Brilliance of their extraordinary forms was greater than millions of suns combined. Ansuya offered humble reverence seeing such unique forms of Almighty and started praying.10.

She said: Oh one who has no birth; Oh one who has no end! Oh one without destruction!11.

Oh Lord, you are without attributes and form! Neither do you have a beginning nor an end! Do not have name or shape! You are beyond dualism (non-duality).12.

You are not accessible, yet easily reachable with meditation. You are the gist of the Vedas. Vedas have been created by you. Oh Yogishvar worth meditating to! You are without birth still you are the universe.13.

You take various forms with use of your fundamental powers of creation. You take on different forms with such because of love and adorations of the devotees forms you do mysterious acts.14.

Oh Brahma, Hari and Har! I offer my reverence by lying fully on the ground with reciting your glorious hymn; worldly attachments do not bother me.15.

Also you are the Savitri, Laxmi and Uma. They are not separate from you. Oh Lord with half male and half female form! We have recognized yours feet of mercy and offer our reverence.16.

We ask over and over that, we continuously think of you during our daily rituals and have this body repent for the deeds.17.

Have our mind, be calm, without desires, swallow pride of body, mind, and be engrossed and;18.

All of the senses are in total devotion to serve you. Oh Lord! That is what we ask from you.19.

Oh creator! Everything is yours so what can I offer you? How could we even do rituals of offerings? We will be satisfied by just giving our humble bow.20.

Everything is form of you therefore there is no item or object without you that we can offer. Our sacred adoration is our unique offering in devotion.21.

A man offers Ganga's water to Ganga's; tulsi is offered to tulsi, .22.

Fire is offered as a lamp of light known as Arati, Oh Narayan! All of this is a matter of love and adoration and not the importance of the objects or items.23.

Oh Swami! Please be sure to sit on a throne that is within my heart. I will bathe you with pure love.24.

Please accept our desires as clothing, our senses as ornaments, and mind as a garland of flowers with accepting make us free of deeds and filth. .25.

Oh Lord! Sand of earth as powder of sandal wood; sky as a flower; wind as incense stick; fire as a lamp of light; and water as food.26.

I am offering all of these to you. Please accept and mark this servant complete and of oneness.27.

Accept my spoken prayer as if from "I am that thou" as my feet walk accept as though walking around you and my head (mind) as a coconut, oh Lord.28.

Heartily accept all these, if something is missing then think as if complete and accept it. These were the prayers Atri-Ansuya offered and bowed to the Almighty.29.

Seeing such love and affection of theirs, Lord told them to ask boon for whatever they wish.30.

We are in agreements to whatever our devis have given. Ask for whatever else and we will give you that as well.31.

Oh Ansuya Ma, praise to you! You are the only one and unique in the universe. Praise to your unique devotion. Praise to your combination of knowledge and culture (politeness).32.

Oh intellect knowledgeable and best Atri! Also praise to you! Ask for a boon of your desire. Atri told Ansuya to quickly ask for an appropriate boon.33.

Hearing this Ansuya in crackling voice full of love said: Lord; now how can we be at ease and happy without you?34.

Ever since all three of you (devas) have been in cradle, my heart was engrossed with happiness; is that happiness going to go away?35.

Was all of this a dream? Will something have in fact? Empty cradle will threaten us!36.

Oh devas! You have called me "Ma" (mother) make "Ma" an immortal. That is all I ask. I have nothing else to ask for and heart has no other desires or a wish.37.

After listening to chaste Ansuya; being in three forms yet of one form Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh happily (bestowed the boon) said: let it be so.38.

Husband and wife humbly bowed to the Almighty, Almighty the rescuer from the materialistic world. Upon granting the boon, were invisible.39.

Atri-Ansuya lived there doing prayers, rituals and singing hymn and living happily.40.

As per fate has it, they came to Mahurgadh; due to infinite affection all three devas incarnated as a son.41.

Hearing this with doubt, Niranjan asked Alakh. Atri and Ansuya always lived at the bank of Narmada.42.

Why did they leave the ashram and come to Mahurgadh? Tell me in detail to end the suspense in the mind.43.

Like a chatak bird which drinks pure rain water, hearing pupil's intelligent question, similar to thunder, Alakh started the flow of the story full of nectar.44.

Yogishvar said, Alakh child listen very attentively. Today, everyone knows it as a Paithan. It used to be called Pratishtan city near Goda River. ...45.

In the city lived a brahmin named Kaushik, he was wealthy and of degenerated culture.46.

As fate would have it, with wealth became egotist and left devout wife for prostitutes. He was much indulged in such atmosphere.47.

Started living at harlot's home and consumed with various addictions enjoying all this. As destiny took a turn, he was overcome with diseases. .48.

A man or a woman, who is going after self gratification without thinking day and night, in the end are stricken with diseases.49.

Root cause of disease is the enjoyment (gratification materialistic). Inappropriate thought is the cause for running after enjoyment are youth, wealth, power and ego spoils the mind.50.

Over indulging in enjoyment, he was stricken with disease. Whole body was covered with leprosy and was in unbearable pain.51.

Seeing filthy looking body harlot with hatred threw him out of her house.52.

Having no other alternative, he had to go back to his house. Agonizing within started walking slowly towards and approached the house.53.

Wife seeing him return was so elated with happiness. She could not be contained without concern for her body, she went towards him to greet. .54.

Started saying today is wonderful day. Today, in my yard it is golden rain. Today, I could see my husband.55.

She brought him in the house holding the hand with love. Placed the mat and got him seated with all respect.56.

She washed his feet; worshipped with offerings, then drank little bit of the water used to worship his feet. She humbly bowed and like cuckoo's tone started saying.57.

Oh dear husband! I have not been able to service you, forgive me for my mistakes. I offer myself as a sacrifice at your feet.58.

After talking, she cooked various dishes and fed him until satisfied.59.

After feeding, she gave him rolled betel leaf. Prepared comfortable bed and slept him.60.

She ate the left-over from his plate with a thought of it as Prasad. She considered husband equivalent to the live Lord and cared for him accordingly. Praise to Shandili.61.

She would change his clothes as soon stained with blood and pus. Doing such she never felt troubled.62.

Bathed him every day with warm water. She would clean the urine and feces without repulsion.63.

She would clean the wounds free of germs and put medication. She would talk pleasingly while massaging him.64.

With all this Kaushik was pleased and happy. Every day, he was getting new food delicacies to satisfy him.65.

He would tell her; my love praise to you! You are going through lot of troubles on my account. Please sit for a while.66.

Chaste wife still would not rest for a moment, instill. She replied: Oh my soul! By caring for you, my living has been worthy and to succeed in this life.67.

Few days passed by in this manner. Wicked Kaushik become angry and said. You lay comfortably; why are you not caring for me?68.

I am experiencing enormous and extreme vexation from you. Blacken your face and burn it. I have not felt a moment of happiness or satisfaction from you.69.

He would swear and hit her. A fool acts in this manner, and there shall be no doubt about it.70.

Life style of foolish is always opposite. Such fools do not like the wife and become servant of a shameless woman and ruins self.71.

Fool would love the prostitute instead of the wife. In the process loses wealth and youth, and then bangs the head and cries.72.

Such one would service her and happily accept her beating and kicking. Fool kicks the wife in return for her caring.73.

In such a manner a foolish Brahmin was beating her. Praise to Shandili! With such circumstances, she did not arise with agitation.74.

Seeing the anger, her speech should be sweet and full of love everyday; Oh love! Is it my fault? Tell me the reason for the anger.75.

I am sinful and unfortunate that is giving the grief. Oh love! Are you upset as hands are tired by beating?76.

Then she would pamper him with her hand. Seeing her calmness, Brahmin addicted to licentious pleasures, would cool down.77.

He would tell her, I was lying. This was to measure your sincerity. If your love for me is pure then do one thing for me.78.

By revealing secrets to the dearest friend, a servant, to a chaste wife and to an ascetic and holy person, the personal and mental problems, difficulties etc to such individuals. Reason being they will quickly find a solution for the circumstances and relieve the concerns.79-80.

You have the knowledge of religion so you can understand my problem.81.

Prostitute is much prettier than you. She has lips like red tulips; firm breasts.82.

Voice like a violin, beautiful face, eyes like a fish and slim fragile body. Oh dear! How much can I keep describing her?83.

I am being attracted while walking around, eating, drinking, sitting, standing up, sleeping, awake;84.

In dreams, day and night; I constantly remember her. I see her standing even when I am conversing with you.85.

I am uneasy, perplexed and confused dare to separation from her. Body may be weak but mind is still firm. It still has not detached from the desires.86.

Oh beautiful love! Right away take me to her place. Desires are tormenting.87.

I may not live, if you delay. Everyone knows how difficult is the agony of love and attachments and desires?88.

Deities, celestial musician ascetic, intellect and ignorant all get bewildered, and behave improperly.89.

What to talk of a person like me? Who is helpless, ignorant and passionate? Therefore let it be a sin just for my satisfaction.90.

Each animal knows that the sex instinct is unparallel. It is almost madness. Everyone has experienced its wonder.91.

Therefore quickly take me there, so that I can experience the happiness from it. Hearing the words of the husband, she became happy and said; oh love!92.

Do not worry at all. Under any circumstances I will help you fulfill your desire.93.

She quickly gathered expensive clothing, jewelry, gold, pearls etc and put it on her head.94.

She carried the husband on the shoulder. She put aside all the doubts and suspicion and she proceeded towards the prostitute's place.95.

Due to monsoon season, night was very dark. Clouds have covered the sky; therefore it was difficult to recognize the way to there.96.

It was dark everywhere. Forest was dense and desolate, mud came up to the knees. It gives bad omen.97.

During the lightening she would determine the direction to go in and walk slowly without anxiety and fear.98.

She would walk such so he should not get discomfort. Oh! Oh! Oh! Unknowingly an obstacle came!99.

In the kingdom, robber was running and caught by the soldiers and they were beating him.100.

As by the command of the king, robber was being taken to be hanged. Suddenly the robber escaped.101.

They were tired from searching in the farms and forest. They saw someone with similar look of the robber.102.

Thinking of one as the actual robber, ignorant soldiers in anger hanged the person as per king's command.103.

In real he was not the robber; he was the pupil of the Markanda rushi.
Well known and ascetic Rushi.104.

Not catching the real robber, hanged the innocent one and foolish
soldiers returned to the places.105.

With strength of penance and control over the soul, with concentration
Muni was experiencing the pain of the hanging.106.

Beautiful wife walking, due to darkness unknowingly gave a jerk to muni.
Muni felt unbearable pain.107.

With anger Mandavya said: by bumping into me who added further
miseries to my affection? Yet, why is such roughish one still alive?108.

Look! That sinful will die before the sunrise. She was saddened by
hearing the curse,109.

She was fearful and talking to her self. Life without the husband is
useless. For woman is the one wealth being him everything else is worthless.
.....110.

Curse of a rushi is always without a failure. Let me do something to stop
the sun from rising.111.

Deciding such Shandili spoke; Oh Sun, listen! If I have been chaste and
pure with mind, deeds and speech; then do as I request, do not come out even
for a moment until I ask you to.112-113.

Oh Sun! If you do not accept my request, you will be defying your
authority. Have no doubt about it.114.

Upon saying that, she took her husband to harlot's home. She gave all
the jewelry and told her everything he had said.115.

With solicitations and requests she convinced the harlot. Quickly fulfilled
the husband's desires and quickly returned home with her husband.116.

Shandili is praise worthy. Such husband is worthy of disgust. Even
though he is in a form a man but behaving like an animal.117.

Harlot is a living witch and black female serpent. Laughing from distance
takes the vitality of one.118.

Harlot is fire of passion. Lustful man gets burned to ashes.119.

Harlot is the emissary at the door of hell. Foolish man gets entrapped
in her web and loses wealth and life.120.

This is what Kaushik rotted in. Yet he would not let his absorption for harlot go. Even in this situation Shandili was chaste with complete trust. Shandili is truly praise worthy.121.

Sun was scared due to curse given by the chaste Shandili, so it went into hiding for eight days.122.

Darkness was everywhere. All the animals were confused and having difficulties. Animals on the land as well as in the sky were uneasy as if without vitality. Everyone was worried.123.

One cannot figure out what time it is. Brahmins were uneasy. All the religious rituals and sacrifices came to complete halt.124.

Seers and Brahmins would not get part of offering from sacrifices and rituals as it had stopped. Therefore, they wound up fasting. Everyone's mind was not functioning fully. No one can figure out simple things.125.

All devas met in heaven and started thinking. In reality, people are not at fault for this situation.126.

If there is no sunshine, how can they carry on their daily activities? Yagna, prayers etc. have stopped then how can we do the godly activities that are beneficial for our life?127.

If public would have been at fault, we could have sent seven types of calamities to cause difficulties and grief.128.

We could have spread disease and sickness to cause grief and sorrow. Let us go to Brahma and talk to him.129.

With all devas in agreement, they went over to Brahma and offered their salutation with a bow. They described the difficulty in the materialistic world.130.

Upon hearing, Lord Brahma said: Hey Devas! All of this has been due to the curse of the chaste wife Shandili.131.

Oh gathered Devas! All of you listen now. Sun is afraid to come out because of the curse from wife of Kaushik.132.

When chaste woman becomes angry, she can sway all parts of the universe. I will give you one solution with which sun will come out from hiding.133.

Just as all the lamps are dim in front of the sun; similarly all the chaste women respect the most renowned one as well.134.

You should request to most pious and renowned chaste Ansuya and bring her to Pratishthan (Paitthan). Your perplexity will be solved.135.

She will convince Shandili and solve the problem. No one else will be able to do it. Therefore go to her ashram.136.

Hearing the solution, Indra and all other Devas requested Brahma to accompany them; Lord Brahma agreed to go along with them.137.

Brahma and Devas came to ashram of Ansuya at the bank of Narmada River. Ansuya saw them and swiftly came towards them with a surprised look.138.

She offered a laying bow and invited them in to the ashram. She cleansed the lotus feet; gave them offerings. Beautiful chaste Ansuya asked:139.

What purpose have you come for? Indra and others said: Hey chaste one! We need your assistance. You are the only one who can solve our perplexity and fear of ours as well as of the people.140.

We have come here hearing of your renowned penance and praises. Oh chaste one! We will have to go to city of Pratishthan.141.

With curse from wife of Kaushik, sun has stopped rising. Due to this there is commotion everywhere.142.

Please convince her and have the sun rise. There is no one else like you with such penance that can alleviate such fear and concern.143.

Sati¹ said: Oh Devas! There is nothing impossible for you. Yet, you are still giving me so much respect to a minute person like me.144.

Still, I will come along with you and try to convince chaste Shandili. Tactfully, I will reason and advice her to let the sun come out from hiding.145.

She left along with Atri Rushi towards bank of Godavari River.146.

In city of Pratishthan, they reached Kaushik's home. Shandili seeing group Devas, Ansuya and Atri Rushi coming. She offered her respects to everyone.147.

She embraced Ansuya with love and emotions. She gave all of them religious offerings. Then asked: Hey Devi! What brings you to home of this servitude wife? You have purified my home. You must be tired. Please sit down and relax.148-149.

1. Chaste woman.

Hearing Shandili, Ansuya said: Bravo to you! Praise to you. Your words are much sweeter than nectar.150.

Chaste wife's deeds, faith and determination are praise worthy in all parts of the universe. Due to complete service to husband nothing is impossible in this world for a chaste wife.151.

Any woman who services her husband with physical body, sincerity, speech, and in thoughts. Not only she can attain salvation but can bring it to others as well. Also, has ability to make wretched one to become Supreme Being.152.

Such a woman can in an instant and easily attains spirituality, activities and liberation. Salvation is wallowing at her feet. Such pure woman is like a complete holy pilgrimage.153.

She considers husband as if he is god and heartily services him and does not feel any difficulties in doing such. Praise to such fortunate chaste woman.154.

No matter how bad husband behaves yet maintains her love for him as her religion. Then all her tridav¹ will be burned.155.

Ansuya said: I have made this to be my duty and religion with it. I have purified my soul. One whose mind is always toward the husband, She is always at peace and gratified.156.

Within one's self and outside one seeing face of the husband everywhere then her face is always full of happiness. Such happiness is incomparable to any other including that of Brahma.157.

Listening to the words of Ansuya, Shandili offered her respects and said: I am of the similar beliefs and principles.158.

Oh saintly Ansuya! Praise to you. Praise to your statements. Praise to you the utmost mother. I bow to you over and over.159.

I love to service my husband. I consider him to be my soul and vitality. By you coming here, you have strengthened my understanding and principles.160.

It is almost impossible to see your form even with great amount of penance and that with all the devs.. Today, I have gotten to see you very easily.161.

1. Sins, karmas and misfortunes.

I consider having to see you is the ultimate fruition of servicing the husband. Our image and beauty is our husband. Is there doubt about it? .162.

Oh Mother! You are free from acts and attachments. Meaning, that you are complete and self content. Yet, you decided to take difficult task of coming. Please tell me. Why? Please tell me frankly, so that my doubts are cleared.163.

Hearing her statements that could melt one's heart, Ansuya looked towards the Devas. With blithe Ansuya replied: Why are you still afraid at heart?164.

Oh Shandili! Due to your curse, sun is not rising. Therefore, on one has sense of time.165.

With no sense of time daily activities have halted. Such seizes the functionality of living.166.

With lack of sense of timing people are lethargic; this can be a cause for annihilation.167.

Could such occurrence be worthy of you? Therefore take my advice and let the sun rise.168.

With such wish, I have come here with the Devas. Give up your stubbornness. One should not worry of death if it comes due to helping others.169.

Shandili said: Oh Ansuya! You know that my husband will die upon sun rising.170.

Curse of the rushi will not fail. I will feel enormous grief and be heartbroken. What will be use of my living such a life?171.

Suddenly Ansuya said: Oh! What strength does Yamraj have? Suppose your husband dies, I will bring him back to life in front of your eyes. .172.

Hey chaste lady! Without any worry, think about the happiness of the people. I will definitely bring him back to life. I will not let you feel sorrow even for a moment.173.

Having heard words of Ansuya; Shandili offered respects to sun and said: Hey dinmani¹ of the day. You, always, being mute. You are the operator of the universe. Keeping the authority, you went into hiding by my words of curse. Oh Lord of the cause! Praise to you.174-175.

1. Brightness.

Oh Lord of the wisdom! Oh witness to mind! Now hear what I am going to say. Oh form of Lord Narayan! Have mercy and come out from hiding.176.

Hearing chaste Shandili. Lustrous rays of the sun were seen rising and felt like rain of gold showering.177.

As sun rose two things occurred. One the darkness was lifted. Second, life of Kaushik was taken.178.

Ansuya said sati have no fear or worry. Your husband will wake up free of disease and sickness. Saying this Ansuya took water in hand with a wish and said: If my character is pure; been service to my husband with devoutness; have considered best of him even at cost of my happiness or life; and never thought of another man even in a dream. Then due to strength of my complete vow to husband, have this dead Brahmin get up alive; live one hundred years free from any sickness and brings his prior soul and enter the body. .179-183.

Upon saying all this, put the water down. In an instant Brahmin awakened as if getting up from a regular sleep. Everyone was singing praises to Ansuya.184.

Kaushik had changed within and physically. He looked like a saintly being. Shandili was surprised and joyful seeing him with such physical and disease free form.185.

All the devas offered respect. Fairies started dancing. Celestial musicians were singing. Petals of flowers were flowing from heaven.186.

Everyone happily started singing of Ansuya's character and qualities. Hearing of these, all the difficulties of worldly life can be removed. This is what Rang Guru says.187.

This chapter detailed the power and strength of a chaste woman. Praise to Ansuya and Shandili's devotion.188.

Next chapter will tell about Atri Rushi and Ansuya going from Pratishthan to Mahurghadh.189.

Seeing their complete and undivided devotion for the Lord and taking birth. Who can describe or do such narration? He himself will tell.190.

