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Preface

This book contains a series of lectures on the *Yuganaddhakathā* in the *Paţisambhidāmagga* (Path of Analytical Knowledge) given by Sayadaw Dr. Nandamālābhivaṃsa at the Institute of Dhamma Education (IDE), Pyin Oo Lwin, from February 1st to 6th 2015, to a group of mostly foreign students.

Yuganaddhakathā was taught by Venerable Sāriputta after he had listened to the Yuganaddha Sutta, admonished by Venerable Ānanda. Venerable Sāriputta and venerable Ānanda were two of the greatest disciples of the Buddha. This sutta is about the four ways of meditation practiced by disciples who attained Arahantship. These are:

- 1. Vipassanā preceded by Samatha,
- 2. Samatha preceded by Vipassanā,
- 3. The joined practice of Samatha and Vipassanā,

4. Removing *Vipassanupakkilesa* (disturbance of insight).

In this series of lectures, Sayadaw explains the meaning of these four ways of practice described in the *Yuganaddha Sutta* and clarifies it further with the texts on these four ways from the *Paţisambhidāmagga*.

This topic is actual, because there are often

confusion and wrong ideas about the value and the way to practice *Samatha* and *Vipassanā*, separately or joined together. It is important to penetrate the meaning of the several ways of practice. In this book, Sayadaw explains these ways of practice in detail, following *Yuganaddhakathā*.

Nowadays, some people state that it is impossible to develop *Vipassanā* without *Samatha*. As Sayadaw explains in the lectures, it is not impossible. There are some Arahants, called *paññāvimutta*, who are liberated by *paññā*. They did not first obtain *jhāna* and *abhiññā* (supernormal knowledge).

We greatly appreciate Sayadaw's effort to translate and explain *Pațisambhidā* from the original $P\bar{a}|i$ and to expand the meanings with information from the Commentaries and the Sub-Commentaries. All is guided by his own great intellect and contemplative practice.

We had the privilege to join the classes. To us, it became once more clear that it is vitally important that we become familiar with this text and try to penetrate deeply into its meaning.

In this book, the $P\bar{a}li$ text from Yuganaddha will be printed in bold, followed by the $P\bar{a}li$ explanation with sometimes literal translation and by word by word explanation, or any extra explanation from Sayadaw. Sometimes the reference to the $P\bar{a}|i$ text is put in a footnote, $P\bar{a}|i$ texts from *Tipițaka* will be quoted whenever appropriate and the page number is in Myanmar version. We hope this will help to understand the profound meanings of the *Dhamma* presented in this book.

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May this book bring much happiness to the readers and provide suitable conditions for the cultivation of wisdom leading to the attainment of *Nibbāna*. *Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!*

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Chapter 1

Good morning, my *Dhamma* brothers and *Dhamma* sisters. Today is a real good morning because we will have the knowledge of *Dhamma*. According to my and to your wish, I shall teach *Paţisambhidāmagga*, especially the topic of *Yuganaddha* (*Yuganaddhakathā*). The *Paţisambhidāmagga* is very wide and it contains teachings of Venerable Sāriputta. After the Buddha, the one with the greatest knowledge was Venerable Sāriputta. He always analyzed the *Dhamma* that the Buddha taught.

There is a discourse called *Anupada sutta* that describes Venerable Sāriputta's *Vipassanā*.¹ He discerns and analyzes the *Dhamma* in great detail. The Buddha praised Venerable Sāriputta for this. He was the highest in knowledge among the disciples; his knowledge was very sharp and he scrutinized the Buddha's teachings.

¹ Majjhimanikāya, Uparipaņņāsapāļi, Anupadavagga, 1. Anupadasutta, M3.75

Anupada Sutta: Preached at Sāvatthi in Jetavana in praise of Sāriputta's learning and understanding. It is really a description of the perfect disciple who has risen to mastery and perfection in noble virtue, noble concentration, noble perception and noble deliverance. It contains psychological introspective analyses which are expanded in the Dhammasangani. M.iii.25ff. [Buddhist Dictionary of Pali Proper Names by G P Malalasekera.]

Although it is originally the Buddha's *Dhamma*, the *Pațisambhidāmagga* is the work of Venerable Sāriputta. Because Venerable Sāriputta analyzed it in order to understand the Buddha's teaching, it is known as his work.

Today I want to explain one *kathā* (lecture) on *Yuganaddha* from the *Paţisambhidāmagga*. It started with a discourse on *Yuganaddha* by Venerable Ānanda. This *Yuganaddha-sutta* is actually preserved and collected in the *Anguttara Nikāya*, The Collection of Gradual Points. In this *Yuganaddha-sutta*, Venerable Ānanda spoke to monks including Venerable Sāriputta about meditation techniques.

After hearing the *sutta* preached by Venerable Ānanda, Venerable Sāriputta later explained this *sutta* in detail and it is recorded in the *Paţisambhidāmagga* (The Path to Analytical Knowledge²) as *Yuganaddhakathā* (Lecture on *Yuganaddha*) in *Yuganaddhavagga* (Chapter on *Yuganaddha*). The *Paţisambhidāmagga* belongs to the *Khuddakanikāya* (The Collection of Discourses in Variety).

Before starting the explanation of this *sutta*, I want to explain in brief the meaning of *Pațisambhidā* and

² Bhikkhu Ñāṇamoli translated *Paṭisambhidāmagga* as "The Path of Discrimination".

magga. Pațisambhidā means analytical knowledge whereas *magga* means way or path, therefore *Pațisambhidāmagga* means the explanation of the way on how to obtain analytical knowledge.

The meaning of the word 'Yuganaddha' is conjunction. Some translated yuganaddhakath \bar{a} as a discourse on coupling or conjunction. Yuganaddha literally means binding in the yoke together, binding equally, side by side; naddha = binding, yuga = in the yoke; it is like two oxen that are mutually bonded. Therefore, Yuganaddha means joining together and it refers to Samatha and Vipassan \bar{a} together.

Four Types of Pațisambhidā

Pațisambhidā is analytical knowledge dealing with an object. *Pațisambhidā* can be classified into four types:

- 1. Attha-Pațisambhidā analytical knowledge of effect or meaning.
- 2. *Dhamma-Pațisambhidā* analytical knowledge of cause or word.
- 3. *Nirutti-Pațisambhidā* analytical knowledge of language.
- 4. *Pațibhāna-Pațisambhidā* analytical knowledge of wisdom.³

³ Translated by Ven Nyanatiloka as the analytical knowledge of ready wit. [Buddhist Dictionary]

The first one is *Attha-Paţisambhidā*. *Attha* means the effect or the meaning of a word; the effect is produced by a cause. The knowledge through which effects is analyzed or the knowledge that realizes the meaning is called *Attha-Paţisambhidā*. For example, in the Four Noble Truths there are:

- *Dukkha* suffering,
- o Samudaya cause of suffering,
- o Dukkhanirodha cessation of suffering,
- *Magga* path leading to the cessation of suffering.

Dukkha is the effect whereas samudaya is the cause. Therefore, the knowledge that realizes the effect, which is dukkha, is called Attha-Pațisambhidā. The analysis of dukkha means to realize dukkha, to know how many kinds of dukkha there are etcetera. It is said: "dukkhe ñāṇaṃ Attha-Pațisambhidā". This means: The knowledge of the realization of dukkha, the First Noble Truth, is Attha-Pațisambhidā.

second is Dhamma-Patisambhidā. The Here. Dhamma means the cause, so the analytical knowledge analysis of Dhamma of the is or cause Dhamma-Patisambhidā. This is stated in the text as "Dukkhasamudaye ñānam Dhammapatisambhidā": "The knowledge that realizes the cause of suffering is Dhamma-Patisambhidā."

In the same way, *dukkha-nirodha* is the effect whereas *magga* is the cause (The third and fourth Noble Truths respectively). Even though *Dukkha nirodha* means *Nibbāna*, *Nibbāna* cannot be produced by any cause. *Nibbāna* has no producing cause. Here, this cause actually means the way to attain *Nibbāna*. In fact, it is impossible to create *Nibbāna*. *Nibbāna* cannot be produced by any cause and is therefore known as *asankhata* (unconditioned).

Even though *Nibbāna* is causeless, there is a cause for the attainment of *Nibbāna*. Here, *Nibbāna* is not caused by *magga*, but *Nibbāna* can be attained through *magga*. Therefore, *magga* is a cause and this cause is called *sampāpaka*: the cause leading to attainment. As for *dukkha samudaya*, *samudaya* itself is a producing cause because *dukkha* (suffering) is produced by craving that is called *samudaya*. The causes can be categorized into four types:

- 1. Janakahetu the producing cause
- 2. Upatthambhakahetu the supporting cause
- 3. Sampāpakahetu -- the cause of attainment
- 4. $\tilde{N}\bar{a}pakahetu$ the cause of making known.

Here, *sampāpakahetu* means the cause of attainment or realization. *Magga* is *sampāpakahetu* because it causes the attainment of *Nibbāna*. As mentioned earlier, *dukkha samudaya* is the producing cause of suffering. Here, the realization of *Nibbāna* is *Attha-Paţisambhidā* (analytical knowledge of effect) whereas the realization of *magga* is *Dhamma-Paţisambhidā* (analytical knowledge of cause). The above is the explanation for *Attha-Paţisambhidā* and *Dhamma-Paţisambhidā*.

Then the third type is Nirutti-Pațisambhidā. Nirutti means language, dialect. Thus, Nirutti-Pațisambhidā means analysis of language, like the analysis whether a word is correct or not. As an analogy, there is phasso (contact) in $P\bar{a}li$ language. According to gender, phasso is correct, phassā⁴ is incorrect.

According to the text, *Nirutti* can mean any kind of language. According to the commentary, however, *Nirutti* refers only to $P\bar{a}|i$. In the Buddha's lifetime, this language was not known as $P\bar{a}|i$, it was called *Sabhāva-nirutti* or *Māgadhī*. This language was sometimes developed and commonly used and sometimes it disappeared; sometimes it was prevalent and sometimes not.

However, this *Sabhāva-Nirutti* or *Pāli* language exists in the human world. There are many kinds of languages in the human world. Nowadays the English

⁴ *Phassa* is a masculine word stem, so its nominative case in singular is *Phasso*.

language is an international language, but not a global language for the whole universe where deities are included. One might ask, what language is used by deities? According to the text they use the $P\bar{a}|i$ language. $P\bar{a}|i$ is said to be widely known in the deity and Brahma worlds. But in the animal kingdom beings use undeveloped $P\bar{a}|i$ to communicate with each other.

When the Buddha appeared and taught the *Dhamma*, the $P\bar{a}|i$ language became perfect. It was known as $M\bar{a}gadh\bar{i}$ -bh\bar{a}sa. In Malaysia and Indonesia the language is called Bahasa, which is a related word. So at that time, the language was known as *Bhāsā*. *Bhāsā* means language used in talking, speaking and writing. It is defined as "*Bhāsanti etāyāti Bhāsā*" - "They speak with this, so it is called language." Thus, *Nirutti* means a dialect or language. The analytical knowledge of dialect or language, or the analysis of linguistic knowledge, is called *Nirutti-Pațisambhidā*. This knowledge also analyses which word is true and which one is wrong (not true).

What we nowadays call *Pāli* was called *Bhāsā* in those days, not *Pāli*. Actually, *Pāli* refers to the Buddha's teaching or Buddha's words. It is defined in this sentence: "*Pakaṭṭhānaṃ vacanappabandhānaṃ āli Pāli*". *Pakaṭṭha* means noble or sacred; *vacana* means words. Hence, *Pakaṭṭha vacana* means 'sacred words of the Buddha'. This is the meaning of *Pāli*. It actually refers to the

Buddha's teaching.

For example, in the Dhammacakkapavattana Sutta (The discourse on the Turning of the Wheel of Dhamma), the Buddha said "Dveme, bhikkhave, antā pabbajitena na Katame dve? Yo cāyam sevitabbā. kāmesu kāmasukhallikānuvogo..."⁵ Such a collection of words is called *Pāli*. Nowadays *Pāli* means a language (*Bhāsā*), but in those days, *Pāli* meant the sacred words. So, the meaning changed. Meanings of words and their usage are always changing and this is a natural thing. For instance, I believe that the original meaning of "curfew" is the dusk time after sunset. Nowadays "curfew" means not to go out, which implies that the meaning has changed. So, the analysis of language is Nirutti-Pațisambhidā.

The last one is *Pațibhāna-Pațisambhidā*. *Pațibhāna* means an appearance or an idea. It is nothing else than wisdom. So *Pațibhāna-Pațisambhidā* means the analytical knowledge of wisdom. This means that also knowledge or wisdom can be analyzed. *Pațisambhidā* is knowledge and *Pațibhāna* is wisdom.

Venerable Sāriputta explained that one needs to study *Pațisambhidā* and *Pațisambhidāmagga* as the way

⁵ "Bhikkhus, these two extremes ought not to be cultivated by one gone forth from the house-life. What are the two? There is devotion to indulgence of pleasure in the objects of sensual desire, which is.... [Translation Venerable Ñanamoli Thera]

to attain analytical knowledge. As mentioned, the $Patisambhid\bar{a}$ contains four types of knowledge (*Cattaso Patisambhidā*):

1. Attha-Pațisambhidā,

2. Dhamma-Pațisambhidā,

- 3. Nirutti-Pațisambhidā,
- 4. Pațibhāna-Pațisambhidā.

Paţisambhidāmagga means the way of *Paţisambhidā*, which is the method of attaining these four kinds of analytical knowledge. Now we have to study *Yuganaddhakathā* in *Paţisambhidāmagga*. This *Yuganaddhakathā* starts with the discourse of Venerable Ānanda.

Venerable Ananda's Yuganaddha Sutta

Evam me sutam – ekam samayam āyasmā ānando kosambiyam viharati ghositārāme. Tatra kho āyasmā ānando bhikkhū āmantesi – "āvuso bhikkhave" ti. "Āvuso" ti kho te bhikkhū āyasmato ānandassa paccassosum. Āyasmā ānando etadavoca.

The translation is: "Thus I have heard. At one time venerable Ānanda was dwelling in Ghosita monastery near Kosambi. Then, venerable Ānanda said to the bhikkhus, "Friend bhikkhus!" "Friend", the monks

replied to venerable Ānanda.

Then, venerable Ānanda said this." "Evam me sutam" – In the Anguttara Nikāya this phrase "evam me sutam" means "thus was heard by me", and me (by me) refers to Venerable Ānanda. ⁶ At this point in Pațisambhidāmagga however, "Evam me sutam" means "thus I have heard", and this "I" is actually Venerable Sāriputta. At first, when Venerable Ānanda preached this sutta, Venerable Sāriputta was among the audience listening to him. Later, Venerable Sāriputta elaborated on this sutta and this was recorded as part of the Pațisambhidamagga.

In those days, monks were *aññamañña gārava*, paying mutual respect to each other. They attentively listened to whoever preached the *Dhamma*. Sometimes Venerable Sāriputta asked questions and Venerable

Translation:

⁶ The Yuganaddha sutta is also in book four of the Anguttara Nikāya. <u>Yuganaddhasuttam (Anguttara-nikāya, Catukkanipāta,</u> <u>Catutthapannāsa).</u>

^{170.} Evam me sutam – ekam samayam āyasmā ānando kosambiyam viharati ghositārāme. Tatra kho āyasmā ānando bhikkhū āmantesi – "āvuso bhikkhave" ti. "Āvuso" ti kho te bhikkhū āyasmato ānandassa paccassosum. Āyasmā ānando etadavoca – [Myanmar 1.475, PTS 2.157]

Thus have I heard. At one time, Venerable Ānanda was staying in Ghosita monastery near Kosambi. Then, Venerable Ānanda addressed the bhikkhus. "Friend monks!" "Friend", the bhikkhus replied to Venerable Ānanda. Then Venerable said this......

Ānanda provided answers and sometimes vice versa. They enjoyed the process of questioning and answering. Sometimes an answer to a question was given to give clarification to the audience or to provide knowledge to the others.

"It was heard by me", does not mean just hearing, but learning from Venerable Ānanda. It implies carefully listening and memorizing what Venerable Ānanda taught. Just hearing is not sufficient, because one can hear the sound of dogs when the dogs are barking etc. The $P\bar{a}li$ word *sutam* does not mean such common hearing, but learning and memorizing. So, "*Evam me sutam*" means, "Thus have I (Venerable Sāriputta) remembered."

"Ekam samayam" means once upon a time. " $\bar{A}yasm\bar{a}$ $\bar{a}nando$ kosambiyam viharati ghosit $\bar{a}r\bar{a}me$ ". The placing of the words in $P\bar{a}li$ with regard to location is quite different from the English language. If there were two locations, the narrower location or the exact one comes after the wider place. Here, Kosambi was a wider area than Ghosit $\bar{a}r\bar{a}ma$. At that time, Venerable \bar{A} nanda was dwelling at Ghosit $\bar{a}r\bar{a}ma$ monastery, which was near Kosambi.

Nowadays Ghositārāma is a historical site near Allahabad. In the area of Ghositārāma, there exists a Jain temple but there is no Buddhist temple anymore. Ghosita was the name of a rich man, a rich merchant who offered his garden to the Buddha. Then *Ghositārāma* became a monastery. At that time, there were three monasteries in Kosambi i.e. *Ghositārāma, Kukkutarāma* and *Pāvārikārāma*. Some other *suttas* also mention that Venerable Ānanda dwelled in *Ghositārāma*. He also stayed there after the Buddha's *Parinibbāna*.

The term *āvuso*

"Tatra kho āyasmā ānando bhikkhū āmantesi"- "There Venerable Ānanda addressed the monks", "āvuso bhikkhave" - "Friends bhikkhus!" The vocative case is 'Bhikkhave' or 'Bhikkhavo'. When the Buddha wished to preach Dhamma to monks, the Buddha used the word 'bhikkhave' only. Venerable Ānanda wished to avoid equality to the Buddha. If Venerable Ānanda were to say 'Bhikkhave', he would have made himself equal to the Buddha, so he did not use only the word "bhikkhave", instead, he said "āvuso bhikkhave".

The Commentary explains that this vocative "*āvuso* bhikkhave" was the style used to avoid equality to the Master and to show respect to the Buddha. When disciples wished to use vocative words, they used "*āvuso* bhikkhave". Here, "*āvuso bhikkhave*" means "O friend bhikkhus!" Next they replied: "*āvuso"ti kho te bhikkhū*

 $\bar{a}yasmato \ \bar{a}nandassa \ paccassosum.$ " The reply is with the word " $\bar{a}vuso$ ", friend. When the monks wanted to reply to the Buddha, they said "*Bhaddante*". When replying to each other, they used the term " $\bar{a}vuso$ ". However, the Buddha promulgated one rule. After His *Parinibbāna*, elder monks should greet the younger monks by using the term " $\bar{a}vuso$ ", but the younger monks should use "*Bhante*". Before that, elder and younger monks used the same word when addressing each other: " $\bar{a}vuso$ ".

Before he taught *Dhammacakkappavattana-sutta* the *Pañcavaggiya*⁷ did not respect the Buddha, they used to say " $\overline{A}vuso$ Gotama", "Friend Gotama". Then the Buddha said, "Don't call me like that, I have realized the *Dhamma*, I have become *Sammā- sambuddha* (Fully Enlightened Buddha)". After that, they respectfully called the Buddha "*Bhante, bhante*".

Four maggas - Four ways

"Yo hi koci, āvuso, bhikkhu vā bhikkhunī vā mama santike arahattapattam byākaroti, sabbaso catūhi maggehi etesam vā aññatarena. Katamehi catūhi?

⁷ The five monks, who accompanied Gotama when he became an ascetic [Concise P-E dictionary]. They were Kondañña, Bhaddiya, Vappa, Mahānāma and Assaji.

Yo hi koci - whoever or any monk, anyone; *mama santike* - in my presence; *Arahattapattam* - reached arahantship, *byākaroti* - declares, *sabbaso catūhi maggehi* - by all four ways, *etesam vā aññatarena* - or by one of the four ways.

This sentence means, "Whoever, *bhikkhu* or *bhikkhunī*, declares his or her attainment of *Arahatta* in my presence, it is by all four ways or by one of them only."

So Venerable Änanda wished to say that whoever declared that he had become an Arahant or had attained *Arahattamagga* and *Arahattaphala* it was reached by altogether four ways or by one of them only. What are those four ways? These four ways are enumerated here and will be explained further in the next chapters.

The four ways are:

- 1. Samathapubbangama-Vipassanā: Vipassanā preceded by Samatha.
- 2. *Vipassanāpubbangama-Samatha: Samatha* preceded by *Vipassanā*.
- 3. Samathavipassanā-Yuganaddha: The Coupling of Samatha and Vipassanā.
- 4. Overcoming *Dhammuddhaccaviggahita*: To think about one's achievement as a higher

attainment than what it actually is.⁸

For example, it is possible that the attainment of sotāpatti-magga is reached by Samathapubbangama-Vipassanā, the attainment of sakadāgamimagga by Vipassanāpubbangama-Samatha and the attainment of anāgāmimagga by Yuganaddha. Or it might be that by overcoming *Dhammuddhaccaviggahita* one attains sotāpatti-magga. Each of the four ways is possible for anyone. For example, it is possible that before attainment of sotāpatti-magga, one faces disturbances of insight (vipassanupakkilesa). Then, one can become Sotāpanna by overcoming these defilements. Or, it is possible to attain sakadāgāmimagga bv Samathapubbangama-Vipassanā, anāgāmimagga bv Vipassanā-pubbangama-Samatha and Arahattamagga by vuganaddha.

Therefore, one person can follow one of four possible ways to attain Arahatta. This is because Vipassanā is necessary for each magga, so there has to be individual Sotāpatti-magga Vipassanā, Sakadāgāmimagga Vipassanā, Anāgāmimagga

 $^{^{8}}Dhammuddhaccaviggahita = Dhamma+uddhacca+viggahita.$

Dhammuddhacca=Restlessness due to disturbances to insight knowledge.

Viggahita=Taking opposite/Taking up wrongly.

Vipassanā and Arahattamagga Vipassanā. Each *magga* has its own particular *Vipassanā*. According to their individual *Vipassanā*, the meditator attains his *maggaphala* (path and fruition knowledge).

The Way of Practice

"Idhāvuso. bhikkhu samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāveti. Tassa Samathapubbangamam sañiāvati. vipassanam bhāvayato maggo So tam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti. maggam Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusaya byantīhonti."

The translation is "Here, friend, a monk develops *Vipassanā* (insight) preceded by *Samatha* (serenity). The path arises in one who develops *Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*. He repeats, develops and makes much of the path. To one who repeats, develops and makes much of the path, the fetters are abandoned and underlying defilements are made to end."

Idhāvuso, bhikkhu samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāveti: Here, friend, a monk develops Vipassanā (insight) preceded by Samatha (serenity). This is the first method. First, a monk establishes Samatha (calmness meditation, serenity), which is then followed by the practice of Vipassanā. Tassa Samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāvayato maggo *sañjāyati*: By practicing *Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*, the path is produced in him.

The commentary explains that maggo sañjāyati means the arising of first magga, i.e. sotāpatti-magga. The monk attains sotāpatti-magga and becomes Sotāpanna. After the appearance of sotāpatti-magga, it is not necessary to develop this sotāpatti-magga, he can practice Vipassanā further for the higher paths. The word āsevati means to repeat Vipassanā or to practice Vipassanā attentively. Bhāveti means to develop, whereas bahulīkaroti means to repeat many times, make much of the path.

Another way to look at it is as follows: *āsevati* refers to *sakadāgāmi-magga*, *bhāveti* refers to *anāgāmi-magga* and *bahulīkaroti* means *Arahatta- magga*.

Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. As he does so, saññojanāni pahīyanti: his fetters are abandoned, anusayā byantīhonti: his underlying tendencies are eradicated.

So, this is Venerable Ānanda's explanation in brief, later on Venerable Sāriputta explained it in detail in the *Pațisambhidāmagga*.

According to the commentary, Samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāveti is one technique; a bhikkhu develops Vipassanā preceded by Samatha; he first follows the *Samatha* method and after that changes to *Vipassanā*. According to the commentary, the *maggo* in "*maggo sañjāyati*" means *sotāpatti-magga*. In my opinion, however, there is another way to define this *magga*. This *magga* could mean *Vipassanā-magga*, the path of *Vipassanā*. The yogi enters the path of *Vipassanā*, which means that he develops *Vipassanā*, *āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti*: he repeats, develops and makes much of the *Vipassanā* practice.

If he follows this first technique, he has to practice Samatha first and develops Vipassanā later. At that time pubbabhāga-magga (preliminary path), which means the Vipassanā path, clearly appears. I feel that this maggo sañjāyati means the appearance of the Vipassanā path as a preliminary path. A meditator repeats this pubbabhāga-magga that is Vipassanā-magga and develops this Vipassanā-magga; he makes much of the Vipassanā-magga.

When *ariyamagga* (Noble Path) appears, the text says: *Saññojanāni pahīyanti*: the fetters are eradicated and also: *anusayā byantīhonti*: the underlying latent defilements are removed. When *sotāpatti-magga* appears, some *saññojanas* (fetters) are eradicated and some *anusayas* (underlying latent defilements) are removed; when *sakadāgāmi-magga* appears, these fetters and underlying latent defilements are made thinner and weaker; when *anāgāmi-magga* appears, some more saññojanas (fetters) and some more anusayas (underlying latent defilements) are eradicated; when arahattamagga appears, the remaining saññojanas and the remaining anusayas are eradicated. It is just my opinion that magga at this point means pubbabhāga-magga. which is actually Vipassanā.

However, according to the commentary, the 'maggo' in maggo sañjāyati means sotāpatti-magga. It explains when sotāpatti-magga appears, that is the first attainment, and after this the yogi increases the Vipassanā. To increase Vipassanā also means to develop higher path (magga), and not to repeat sotāpatti-magga which has already been attained. According to the commentary, when the yogi follows this way, some saññojanas are eradicated and some anusayas are removed. This definition of magga is also possible.

In fact, there are two types of *magga*: 1.) *ariyamagga* and 2.) *pubbabhāga-magga*. That is why *magga* can mean *Vipassanā* that is *pubbabhāga-magga* and it can mean *Ariyamagga* that is *sotāpatti-magga*, *sakadāgāmi-magga*, *anāgāmi-magga* and *Arahatta-magga*.

Vipassanā is called *pubbabhāga-magga* (Preliminary Path) and is composed of the Noble Eightfold Path. When the Noble Eightfold Path is fully developed, one realizes the end of suffering which is *Nibbāna*. When one sees *Nibbāna*, fetters (*saññojana*) are removed and underlying latent defilements (*anusaya*) are eradicated. As long as *Vipassanā-magga* remains, it works with *saṅkhāra* objects. Later at the attainment of *magga*, one sees *Nibbāna*, the state of cessation of *saṅkhāra*.

We have to develop *pubbabhāga-magga*. which is *Vipassanā* practice. *Ariyamagga* means just an attainment so we need not to practice *ariyamagga*. In my opinion, *maggo sañjayati* means arising of path and this path (*magga*) means *pubbabhāga-magga*. Then, the Venerable Sāriputta will explain *Suttantaniddesa* later.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Chapter 2

The 1st Way - Vipassanā preceded by Samatha

Idhāvuso, bhikhu Samathapubbaṅgamaṃ Vipassanaṃ bhāveti. The translation is: Here, friend, a bhikhu develops insight preceded by serenity. This means he practices Samatha first and later changes to Vipassanā. This is the first technique according to the Yuganaddhakathā.

Tassa Samathapubbangamam Vipassanam bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati: As he does so, the path is produced in him.

when he This that develops insight means (Vipassanā) preceded by serenity (Samatha), within him the path (magga) comes into being. What is the path here? According to the commentary, this path is the first noble path, *sotāpatti-magga*. However, according to the Patisambhidāmagga, this path (magga) is explained as the Noble Eightfold Path. In the morning [previous chapter], I explained that it is possible that magga is here *pubbabhāga-magga*. which is the preliminary (preceding) path. It is Vipassanā and is the unity of the Noble Eightfold path. *Maggo sañjāyati*: The path is generated.

So tam maggam \bar{a} sevati: He repeats that path, or it means the monk pursues this path. \bar{a} = start, sevati= to

practice. The literal meaning of *āsevati* is starting to practice. This can be another translation.

Bhāveti: develops, *bahulīkaroti*: cultivates. Therefore, these three verbs, i.e. *āsevati, bhāveti* and *bahulīkaroti* can be taken as the start, development and increase of the *Vipassanā* practice.

Tassa taṃ maggaṃ āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto: As he is pursuing, developing and cultivating this path, *saññojanāni pahīyanti*: the fetters are abandoned, and *anusayā byantīhonti*: the underlying tendencies or the defilements that lie latent are abandoned.

According to other *suttas* and the *Abhidhammattha Sangaha*, there are 7 kinds of *anusaya* and 10 types of *saññojana*. Later we will go into these *saññojanas* and *anusayas*.

So, according to the first way in this discourse of Venerable \bar{A} nanda, the yogi practices first *Samatha* and then *Vipassanā*. Within him, the path that is *Vipassanā-magga* is coming into being. When he pursues this path, the fetters (*saññojanāni*) are abandoned and the underlying defilements (*anusayā*) are no more.

These words *saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti* actually refer to the attainment of *magga* (path) and *phala* (fruition). The above is the explanation of *Vipassanā* practice. This is one of the ways to attain *magga* and *phala* up to the attainment of

Arahattamagga-phala. This is the first way according to this discourse.

The 2nd Way – Samatha preceded by Vipassanā

The second way is stated thus: *Puna caparam*, *āvuso*, *bhikkhu Vipassanāpubbaṅgamam Samatham bhāveti*: Again, friend, a *bhikkhu* develops serenity preceded by insight.

According to this second way, he practices first *Vipassanā* then *Samatha*. It means *Vipassanā* comes first and *Samatha* follows. *Tassa Vipassanāpubbaṅgamaṃ Samathaṃ bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati*: While he is developing serenity preceded by insight, *maggo sañjāyati*: the path is generated.

When a meditator starts to practice Vipassanā, he or she sees impermanence (anicca), suffering (dukkha) and non-self (anatta) first and obtains the knowledge of arising and disappearing (udayabbaya-ñāna). This earlier path is called Taruna Vipassanā, which means that the insight is not yet mature. After that, as he or she pursues Vipassanā, one obtains maturation of udayabbaya-ñāņa knowledge of arising and passing (the awav). bhaṅga-ñāna (the knowledge of dissolution), knowledge bhaya-ñāna (the of fearfulness), ādīnava-ñāna (the knowledge of danger), nibbida-ñāna knowledge disenchantment). (the of

muñcitukamyata-ñāņa (the knowledge of desire for deliverance), *pațisankhā-ñāņa* (the knowledge of reflection) and *sankhārupekkha-ñāņa* (the knowledge of equanimity towards all formations).

At first, a yogi starts to practice *Vipassanā* and gradually his *Vipassanā* knowledge increases. At that time, "maggo sañjāyati", meaning that one starts to enter the *Vipassanā* path. So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti.: One follows, develops and increases one's Vipassanā-magga. Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti: As he is following, developing and increasing his *Vipassanā-magga*, his fetters are abandoned and underlying defilements are abandoned.

These are the same explanations as above. The attainment is in the same way, regardless the way the yogi undertakes.

The 3rd Way - SamathaVipassanā-Yuganaddha

Then the third way is as follows: *Puna caparam*, *āvuso*, *bhikkhu Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti*. In this way again, friend, a monk develops serenity and insight in conjunction, that means that *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* are developed together.

Actually, they cannot be practiced at the same time. It is impossible to practice *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* together at the same moment. Here, one practices *Vipassanā* and then changes to *Samatha*. After *Samatha*, one changes to *Vipassanā*. Then one changes to *Samatha* again. It means that these two practices are done alternately at different moments. This is called *yuganaddha*.

Samatha Vipassanam yuganaddham Tassa bhāvayato maggo sañjāvati. According to the text, a bhikkhu develops serenity and insight in conjunction. As he is developing serenity and insight in conjunction, the path is generated, maggo sañjāvati, he enters the way of Vipassanā. So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti: He pursues this path, develops and cultivates it. Tassa maggam āsevato bhāvavato bahulīkaroto tam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti: As he is pursuing, developing and cultivating this path, the fetters are abandoned and the underlying tendencies are uprooted. These are the same explanations as above. This is the third method: yuganaddha. So these are the three ways. Later these will be explained in detail. This introduction of Venerable Ananda gives only a brief explanation.

The 4th Way - Overcoming Dhammuddhaccaviggahita

The fourth way is as follows: **Puna caparam**, **āvuso**, bhikkhuno dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti: Here again, friend, a monk's mind is seized by restlessness about the Dhamma. Another translation says: a monk's mind is agitated by overestimation of ideas manifested in contemplation. To understand this other translation is very difficult. To understand properly, we should try to divide the word *Dhammuddhacca-viggahita* into three parts: dhamma-uddhacca-viggahita. Dhamma means here the situation of 10 types of defilements of Vipassanā. These are brilliance (obhāsa), joy (pīti), passaddhi (calmness, tranquility), adhimokkha (decision), (equanimity) etc. in accordance upekkhā with Abhidhammattha-sangaha or Visuddhimagga.

Brilliance or light, *obhāsa*, might appear while a yogi is practicing *Vipassanā*. When his or her concentration, mindfulness and knowledge increase to a certain level, a brilliant light appears. One follows this brilliant light (*obhāsa*), thinking of it as an attainment. These 10 types of defilements that are mentioned here are *upakkilesa-dhamma*. This refers to the good states like light, *pīti* (joy) and so on. In brief, the thinking about these good situations as attainment is *uddhacca*: restlessness. Actually, these physical and mental

situations just appear by the power of Vipassanā.

The 10 types according to the Abhidhammatthasangaha are: 1. Obhāsa (brilliance), 2. Pīti (joy), 3. Passaddhi (tranquility), 4. Adhimokkha (decision) that is actually saddhā, (great faith or confidence), 5. Paggaho (effort), 6. Sukha (peace), 7. Nāņa (knowledge), 8. Upaţţhāna (sati, mindfulness), 9. Upekkhā (equanimity) and 10. Nikanti (desire).

Number 1 to 9 cause desire (*nikanti*) within the yogi, as the yogi likes these situations. Also, one thinks these good situations are an attainment. Then the correct way of practice has disappeared and one is not on the way of *Vipassanā* anymore. One is off-road, not online anymore but offline. These are disturbances of *Vipassanā*.

Such a situation is mentioned here as *dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti*. *Viggahita* means that one's mind is influenced or seized by these states, thinking about them as attainment or *magga phala*. So, one translation is "A monk's mind is agitated by overestimation of ideas manifesting in contemplation". Another translation is better: "A *bhikkhu*'s mind is seized by restlessness about the *Dhamma*". Here, the word *Dhamma* means the 10 types of defilements.

After that: so, āvuso, samayo yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhi yati: On later occasions, his consciousness is internally composed. *Ajjhattameva santiţţhati* means that concentration arises internally. After the appearance of *Vipassanā* defilements, the yogi considers these situations of light, joy, peacefulness etc. and understands that they are not the real path, but just disturbances. He understands they are not attainments but in fact produced by *Vipassanā*.

He gains the realization that the real way is seeing anicca (impermanence), dukkha (suffering) and anatta (non-self) and that he only should have nāma-rūpa (mental and material) objects as the objects. When he or she considers it like that, one obtains maggāmaggañānadassana-visuddhi (The purification of the knowledge and vision of what is path and what is non-path). One realizes that these situations of brilliance (obhasa), pīti or passaddhi are not the path. The right path is having the object of sankhāra and seeing anicca, dukkha and anatta. Then the meditator is able to choose the right path again.

After he finds the correct way, he develops his samādhi with sankhāra objects; that is with nāma-rūpa. He continues to develop his Vipassanā knowledge from bhanga-ñāṇa, bhaya-ñāṇa, ādīnava-ñāṇa up to sankhārupekkha-ñāṇa. He obtains these Vipassanā knowledges, and at that time, samādhi yati: samādhi also comes into being, and then the path is generated in him: maggo sañjayati. So taṃ maggaṃ āsevati bhāveti

bahulīkaroti: He pursues this path, develops and cultivates it. **Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto sañňojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti**: As he is pursuing, developing and cultivating this path, the fetters (*saññojana*) are abandoned and the underlying tendencies (*anusaya*) are uprooted. At that time, *Ariyamagga* will appear taking *Nibbāna* as an object.

When *magga* appears, it performs two functions. Therefore, the definition of *magga* is *kilese marento Nibbānam gacchatīti maggo*. The first function, i.e. *Kilese marento*, is eradication of the mental defilements (*kilesa*), namely *saññojana* and *anusaya*. The second function is the attainment of *Nibbāna*. The words *saññojanāni pahīyanti* and *anusayā byantīhonti* are used to clarify the attainment of *magga*.

There are altogether four ways to attain *maggaphala*. The first one is *Samathapubbangamam Vipassanam*, the second one is *Vipassanāpubbangamam Samatham*, the third way is *Samathavipassanam yuganaddham* and the fourth way is overcoming *Dhammuddhaccaviggahita*.

Now follows the conclusion: Yo hi koci, āvuso, bhikkhu vā bhikkhunī vā mama santike arahattapattam byākaroti, sabbaso imehi catūhi maggehi: Whoever, or any bhikkhu or bhikkhunī who declares the attainment of Arahattamagga and phala in my presence, he or she declares the attainment by all four ways or one of the four ways.

Even in one person, four ways are possible because there are four *magga's*. For example, when he tries to attain *sotāpatti-magga*, his *Vipassanā* is through overcoming the *dhammuddhaccaviggahita*. The second *magga* is by *Samathapubbangamam Vipassanam*. The third *magga* is by *Vipassanāpubbangamam Samatham*. The fourth *magga* is through *Samathavipassanam yuganaddham*. So, even one person can achieve enlightenment by four ways (*catūhi maggehi*). Instead of four ways, one might gain enlightenment by one way only, for example *Samathapubbangamam Vipassanā*.

Early in the Buddha's lifetime, many monks followed the first way of *Samathapubbangamam Vipassanā*: *Samatha* first, *Vipassanā* follows. What about Venerable Sāriputta and Venerable Moggallāna? Maybe their ways were *Samatha-vipassanam yuganaddha*. It is not clearly stated in the text which of the four ways they practiced before their enlightenment. Listening to *Dhamma* from Venerable Assaji, Venerable Sāriputta attained *sotāpatti-magga*, so his way was *Samādhi* and *Vipassanā* yoked together.

As for Venerable Cūlapanthaka, his practice was first *Samatha* then followed by *Vipassanā*. The Buddha handed over a pure white cloth for him to practice

Samatha. This white cloth acted as an odāta kasiņa (white kasiņa). He focused his mind on the white cloth. He practised Samatha first. After the attainment of *jhāna*, the white cloth became dirty according to the Buddha's creation. When he withdrew from *jhāna* on odāta kasiņa (white kasiņa), he entered Vipassanā by contemplating the dirtiness of the cloth. Therefore, Venerable Cūlapanthaka's technique was Samatha first, followed by Vipassanā.

Suvaņņakāratthera⁹, the young monk who was the son of a goldsmith, also first followed *Samatha*, on seeing a red lotus. On this lotus, he practiced *Samatha*. After a while, the lotus withered and he contemplated impermanence, then he entered *Vipassanā* and attained *arahattamagga*. On later occasions, many monks followed *Vipassanā* directly.

In the *Dhammapada*, there are stories of monks who followed *Vipassanā* directly. One of the stories is told in *Dhammapada-Pāli* verse no. 40. It says: "*Kumbhūpamam kāyamimam viditvā*"¹⁰ "The aggregates

⁹ Suvannakārattheravatthu [Dhammapada-atthakathā, M2.26]

¹⁰ Dhammapada-Pāļi 40. Kumbhūpamam kāyamimam viditvā, nagarūpamam cittamidam thapetvā; Yodhetha māram paññāvudhena, jitañca rakkhe anivesano siyā.

Dhammapada verse no. 40. Realizing that this body is as fragile as a clay pot, and fortifying this mind like a well-fortified city, fight out

are like a pot, easily broken." By considering impermanence of the body as a pot, they practiced *Vipassanā*. Venerable Cakkhupāla also practiced *Vipassanā* without *Samatha*. After he attained *Vipassanā*, *samādhi* followed automatically.

As for the third way, i.e. Samathavipassanam yuganaddha, one has to attain the first *jhāna*. After withdrawing from the first *jhāna* one contemplates the *jhāna* state as impermanent, this is *Vipassanā*. Then one continues Samatha again to attain the second *jhāna* and after that, one practices Vipassanā again. It means that the first *jhāna* attainment is followed by *Vipassanā*, and that then the second *jhāna* is followed by *Vipassanā*. The technique of practicing *Vipassanā* and *Samatha* side by side, one after the other, is called yuganaddha. In yuganaddha, Vipassanā is mostly practiced by those who wish to attain cessation of mind and all mental states. (nirodha-samāpatti). Only the anāgāmī and arahant who succeed in both Samatha and Vipassanā can possibly attain nirodha-samāpatti. They practice Samatha and *Vipassanā* side by side, and consecutively attain one *jhāna* after the other until they reach the level of ākincaññāyatana (the jhāna state of nothingness) and

Mara with the sword of wisdom. Then, guarding the conquest, remain unattached. [Myanmar (19), PTS (6)]

then *nevasaññānāsaññāytana* (the *jhāna* state of neither perception nor non-perception). The attainment of *nirodha-samāpatti* means the attainment of the temporary cessation of mind and mental states, and of matter produced by the mind. After 2 moments of *nevasaññānasaññā javana*, he enters into nirodha samāpatti.

[Question of a student:] What is the more common practice nowadays? Answer: Nowadays, in the Pa-auk meditation centers, yogis are taught to first practice *Samatha* which will later be followed by *Vipassanā*. In the Mahasi centers, the yogis establish first *Vipassanā* which is then followed by *Samatha*. Most yogis practice in these two ways. These are actually the first way of *Samathapubbangamam Vipassanā* and the second way of *Vipassanāpubbangamam Samatham*. I think that nowadays most yogis establish *Samatha* first but not all of them succeed in *jhāna*. Some practice *Vipassanā* first, followed by *Samatha*.

According to Mahasi Sayadaw's teaching, the yogis are taught to observe the movement of the abdomen, this is not really *Samatha* but this *samādhi* is based on *Vipassanā*.

Two types of samādhi

By means of *ānāpāna*, both techniques i.e. Samatha

and *Vipassanā* are possible. A yogi who follows the *Samatha* technique must focus only on the nostril where the air touches, after that a *nimitta* or mental image might appear. Then he works with the *nimitta*, this is the *Samatha* method. If the yogi wishes to practice *Vipassanā* with $\bar{a}n\bar{a}p\bar{a}na$, then he or she must notice the air that is breathing in and breathing out, the touching point at the nostrils where the air touches and the mind that can know the air. In *Vipassanā* practice you must know three points: 1. the air, 2. the touching point, 3. the knowing mind. The yogi notices these one after the other. This is the pure *Vipassanā* method.

Actually, there are two types of samādhi (concentration), that is to say, Samatha samādhi and Vipassanā samādhi. These two types of samādhi differ depending on objects taken. They have different objects. What is the object of Samatha samādhi? The object of Samatha is not reality, but it is a concept. As for Vipassanā samādhi, its object must be reality, so this is the difference between these two practices. For Samatha, the *ānāpāna* object which is the *nimitta* or the mental image is a concept, not reality. But for Vipassanā, its object must be reality. The air is vāyo dhātu or air element at the nostrils, whereas the place where the air touches the nostril area is sensitive matter of the body (kāya pasāda). "Kāyañca paţicca phoţţhabbe ca uppajjati kāvaviññāna": By the meeting of these two: body sensitivity and tangible object, body consciousness appears, i.e. the mind knowing the touching. Thus, these three phenomena: air element, body sensitivity and body consciousness are real objects. Here the air element and body sensitivity are materiality, and body consciousness is mind. These mind and matter objects are real objects for pure *Vipassanā*.

Sometimes the Buddha used these words: Samatha and Vipassanā. Samatha refers to concentration (samādhi) whereas Vipassanā refers to knowledge. When the Buddha used the word Samatha, he often referred to samādhi. "Samathapubbaṅgamaṃ Vipassanaṃ bhāveti" actually means samādhi comes first and knowledge occurs later. "Vipassanāpubbaṅgamaṃ Samathaṃ bhāveti" actually means knowledge comes first and samādhi happens later. In fact, it is impossible for Vipassanā to occur without samādhi. Samādhi must be developed, but samādhi is not emphasized on.

However, sometimes the word *Samatha* means a technique. In some places, *Vipassanā* means a technique. According to the context, we have to know which meaning is emphasized. Knowledge is important in the *Vipassanā* technique whereas *samādhi* is important in the *Samatha* technique. In *Samatha* practice, concentration leads and knowledge follows. In *Vipassanā* practice, knowledge leads and concentration follows.

The *Pāli*-citations mentioned so far, are from

Venerable Änanda's Yuganaddha-sutta. Nowadays, some people claim that it is impossible to develop Vipassanā without Samatha. It is not impossible. Whatever may be, we should not have controversy about that. Vipassanā is developed according to these four mentioned techniques as in this original sutta. Now we will continue to study Suttantaniddesa.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Chapter 3

Venerable Sāriputta's Pațisambhidāmagga.

The clarifications of Venerable Sāriputta in the *Pațisambhidāmagga* are recorded as *Suttantaniddesa*. [Second division, *Yuganaddhakathā*]

The First Way: Vipassanā preceded by Samatha

Venerable Sāriputta started with this question: *Katham Samathapubbaṅgamam Vipassanam bhāveti?*: How to develop *Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*? In this question, the subject is not mentioned but it is understood as someone, or a yogi.

This part of the *Paţisambhidāmagga* consists of the detailed clarification by Venerable Sāriputta on Venerable Ānanda's *Yuganaddha Sutta*, therefore it starts with this question. The question is followed by the answer.

(i) By means of renouncing sensual pleasure

[2.]Nekkhammavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. How to understand this? Nekkhammavasena means 'by means of renouncing sensual pleasure'. Then three terms for samādhi follow. They are 1) cittassa ekaggatā, 2) avikkhepo, 3) samādhi. Cittassa ekaggatā and avikkhepo are samādhi, and samādhi is samādhi. *Cittassa ekaggatā* is one-pointedness of mind, which means that the mind has only one point to focus on. *Avikkhepo* means that the mind is not scattered towards many objects, but instead it focuses only on one object. The English translation is "unification of cognizance and non-distraction through renunciation are concentration". It is difficult to understand such a translation.

Actually, *nekkhammavasena* means that we obtain *samādhi*, which is *Samatha* by means of renouncing sensual desire. First, we must try to renounce and abandon sensual pleasures in order to attain the first *jhāna*. The desire for sensual pleasure is called *kāmacchanda* whereas *nekkhamma* means renouncing. The term '*nekkhamma*' is used for the first *jhāna*. Sometimes *nekkhamma* refers to *Nibbāna* ("*Paţhamajjhāne pabbajjāya vimutti*") but in this case, it refers to *jhāna*.

Why is *jhāna* synonymous to *nekkhamma*? *Nekkhamma* is renunciation because it renounces the desire for sensual pleasure (*kāmacchanda*) which is one of the *nīvaraņa* (mental hindrances). *Kāmacchanda* is the most important hindrance because other *nīvaraṇas*, like *byāpāda* (ill-will) and *uddhacca* (restlessness), remain as long as *kāmacchanda* remains. The *Pāļi* words *Nekkhamma vivicceva samādhi* also point to this: "Through renunciation of desire for sensual pleasure, one attains *jhāna samādhi*." This *samādhi* is *cittassa*

one-pointedness of mind or mental ekaggatā, one-pointedness. Here, *ekaggatā* is formed by two words eka and $agga(t\bar{a})$. Eka means 'one' whereas agga means 'one point'. *Ekaggatā* means that the mind focuses only on one object. Avikkhepa means not wandering to all kind of objects but staying with one object only. Avikkhepa and vikkhepa mean 'non-restlessness' and 'restlessness' towards all objects respectively. Vikkhepa is much alike uddhacca. Avikkhepa means non-restlessness, formerly translated as non-distraction. It means non-wavering of the mind and not focusing on many objects but focusing on only one object. In brief, through the renunciation of desire for sensual pleasures, one attains samādhi, which is jhāna.

The word *Samathapubbangamam* means that one practices *Samatha* firstly and will thereby obtain *Samatha samādhi*, which is either *upacāra samādhi* (access concentration) or *appanā samādhi* (absorption concentration) or both of them. When desire for sensual pleasure is renounced, *samādhi* that is a *jhāna* attainment comes into being and thus the yogi succeeds in *jhāna*.

Then,	Tattha	jāte	dhamme	aniccato
anupassanațțhena		vipassanā,		dukkhato
anupassanațțhena		vipassanā,		anattato
anupassana	țțhena vipa	ssanā.		

Tattha jāte dhamme: That arisen *dhammas;* the *dhammas* that appear in *jhāna*. One attains the first *jhāna*,

which is composed of consciousness (citta) and mental states (cetasika). So, tattha jāte dhamme refers to citta and cetasika together. Therefore, according to the advice of the Visudhimagga, a Samatha yānika should start the contemplation with the mind as object. He or she should not contemplate the matter as an object, because the mind appears together with *samādhi* in the *jhāna* state. Take for example the case of a yogi who attains the first *jhāna*. In the first *jhāna* there are clear *dhammas* such as application (*vitakka*), initial sustained application (vicāra), joy (pīti), peace (sukha) and concentration (ekaggatā). Tattha jāte dhamme refers to these dhammas. Aniccato anupassanațthena Vipassanā: The yogi then focuses on these dhammas (vitakka, vicāra, pīti, sukha, *ekaggatā*) notices their appearance and and disappearance. He becomes aware of their impermanence and so he enters into Vipassanā.

Firstly, the yogi attains $jh\bar{a}na$, then he or she does not take another object but takes the $jh\bar{a}na$ mind as $Vipassan\bar{a}$ object. In this way his or her $Vipassan\bar{a}$ comes into being. **Tattha** $j\bar{a}te$ **dhamme aniccato anupassanatthena** $Vipassan\bar{a}$ is translated as "insight is in the sense of contemplation of ideas produced therein as impermanent." This former translation is very difficult to understand. The $P\bar{a}|i$ is clear but the English words are very difficult.

It is important to know that with the words tattha

jāte dhamme, the *dhammas* that appear in the *jhāna* state are meant. We must contemplate them as *anicca*; this is *Vipassanā* practice. So, *aniccato anupassanaţţhena* means that in the sense of contemplation of *anicca* it is called *Vipassanā*. Actually, seeing phenomena as impermanent is *Vipassanā* practice.

Then comes: *Dukkhato anupassanațțhena Vipassanā*: in the sense of contemplation of *dukkha*, it is also *Vipassanā*. *Anattato anupassanațțhena Vipassanā*: in the sense of contemplation as *anatta*, this is also *Vipassanā*.

Then: *Iti paţhamaṃ samatho, pacchā Vipassanā*: In this way, *Samatha* comes first, *Vipassanā* later. This is according to Venerable Sāriputta's explanation and he continues: *Tena vuccati*– therefore it was said, by Venerable Ānanda: "*Samathapubbaṅgamaṃ Vipassanaṃ bhāvetī"ti.*: one develops *Vipassanā* which is preceded by *Samatha*.

One practices *Samatha* and then attains the first *jhāna*, the second *jhāna*, the third *jhāna* or the fourth *jhāna*. After that the yogi withdraws from *jhāna*, and meditates with the object that appears in the *jhāna*. It can be compared with thinking about a dream that appeared in the sleep, just after waking up. Likewise, after withdrawing from *jhāna*, one thinks about the state of *jhāna*. In this way, when *Samatha* comes first and *Vipassanā* follows, one uses *Samatha* as *Vipassanā* object and not another object. This is the meaning of how

to do the $Vipassan\bar{a}$ meditation on the Samatha state that is attained earlier.

There are five mental hindrances or *nīvaranas*: kāmacchanda (sensual desire), byāpāda (ill-will, hatred), thīna-middha (sloth and torpor), uddhacca-kukkucca (restlessness and remorse) and vicikicchā (doubt). The opposite of kāmacchanda is nekkhamma (renunciation) and the opposite of byāpāda is abyāpāda (non ill-will). In the ultimate reality, kāmacchanda is lobha, craving, whereas *bvāpāda* is *dosa*, hatred. Without removing the *nīvaranas* one cannot meditate, therefore we first have to establish *samādhi* to remove the hindrances. In fact, *nīvaraņas* and the state of *samādhi* are opposite to each other. The mental hindrances block the wholesome states, kusala, from arising, just as clouds are blocking the sky or the moon. Whoever practices Samatha or Vipassanā needs to develop *samādhi*, in order to remove the mental hindrances (nīvarana).

The *samādhi* is stronger in *Samatha* technique than in the *Vipassanā* technique. The contemplation or knowledge works better with the help of *samādhi*. The Buddha practiced the three trainings in sequence: these are *sīla* (morality), *samādhi* (concentration) and *paññā* (wisdom). The Buddha said, "*Sīlaparibhāvito samādhi mahapphalo hoti mahānisaṃso*", meaning 'the concentration supported by morality (*sīla*) is greatly fruitful and greatly beneficial', and "*Samādhiparibhāvitā* paññā mahapphalā hoti mahānisamsā", meaning 'the wisdom (paññā) supported by samādhi is greatly fruitful and beneficial'. Firstly, one must observe sīla (morality) and then through sīla the samādhi will become stronger. In fact, sīla gives support to samādhi and then samādhi will support paññā. Paññā is the most important factor in the Buddha's teaching but it is based on sīla and samādhi.

To summarize: *Nekkhammavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi*: Through renunciation of desire for sensual pleasure, there is *samādhi* that is one-pointedness of mind (*cittassa ekaggatā*) and the state of non-distraction (*avikkhepo*).

Here, *samādhi* can be obtained by removing sensual desire (*kamacchanda*). Beings want to enjoy seeing beautiful things, listen to sweet sounds, smell nice odors, taste good food and touch comfortable things. However, the Buddha's disciples avoid sensual pleasure in favor of the enjoyment of the *Dhamma*, like doing meditation, doing contemplation on the body, on feeling, mind and other *Dhamma* states.¹¹ They live a solitary life, secluded in the forest and meditate; this renunciation of

¹¹ This is *Satipatthāna* meditation, which means contemplation on body, feeling, mind and *dhamma*.

sensual pleasures is called *nekkhamma*.

Tattha iāte dhamme Then. aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā: It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation as impermanent of the dhammas that appeared in samādhi. Generally, a Pali sentence ends with the verb, however in this sentence *Vipassanā* is the main word and there is no verb. [Literal translation: Tattha jāte dhamme: those dhammas that appear in samādhi: aniccato: impermanence [as as adverb]. contemplation; attha: anupassana: sense; anupassanatthena: in the sense of contemplation.]

When one starts to practice meditation, one tries to establish *samādhi*. Then, one uses *samādhi* and its associated states as the object of *Vipassanā*. *Tattha* means *samādhi* and other mental states like joy ($p\bar{t}ti$), happiness (*sukha*), mindfulness, bliss. These states should be contemplated as impermanent. Here, *dhamma* means mental states ($n\bar{a}ma$) and not the physical states like heat, cold, itches and pain. Then, as the manner of contemplation, one should contemplate those *dhammas* as impermanent. One should contemplate whatever appears, it is said (*Yathā pakataṃ Vipassanābhiniveso*).

Paţisambhidāmagga is earlier than the *Visudhimagga* (The Path to Purity) because Venerable Sāriputta himself explained it to monks. Venerable Sāriputta had great intelligence and analyzed everything because he wanted to know more in detail.

Dukkhato anupassanațțhena Vipassanā: It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation as suffering, anattato anupassanațthena Vipassanā: it is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation as non-self. Here, the different manners of contemplation, namely as suffering (dukkhato) and non-self (anattato), are mentioned. Therefore, one should contemplate the dhammas as anicca, dukkha and anatta.

It should be noted that in the question the words *Samathapubbangamam vipassanam* are used, but in the answer, the words *samādhi* and *Vipassanā* are used. So, *Samatha* is referring to *samādhi*.

Then, the conclusion is given: *Iti paṭhamaṃ samatho, pacchā Vipassanā*: In this way *Samatha* comes first, *Vipassanā* follows later. [*Iti*: thus, in this way; *paṭhaṃaṃ*: first; *samatho*: *Samatha*; *pacchā*: later] *Tena vuccati*: "*Samathapubbangamaṃ Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*. [*Tena*: therefore; *vuccati*: it is said.]

There is no need to be controversial about *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* because both *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* are important.

Four Kinds of Development

Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā: Four kinds of

development. The word *bhāveti* refers to four kinds of development (*bhāvanā*).

The first development is: *Tattha jātānaṃ dhammānaṃ anativattanaṭthena bhāvanā*: The development in the sense of equality between those arisen *dhammas*. Explanation:

Ativattana means that one state is more or superior to the other state, so *anativattana* means equality between both states, one is not better than the other. For example, the five faculties should become balanced in the meditation; there should be equality between them. The five faculties are saddhā (faith), viriya (effort), sati (mindfulness), *samādhi* (concentration) and *paññā* (wisdom). The samādhi should be equalized with viriya, whereas $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}a$ should be equalized with saddhā. If *viriya* is stronger than *samādhi*, *uddhacca* (restlessness) comes into being. If samādhi is exceeding viriya, one will become lazy and one wants to sleep. Viriya protects from laziness while samādhi protects from uddhacca. Therefore, *samādhi* and *viriya* must be equally strong developed and this is called *anativattana*. Also, the other faculties which are *sati*, *paññā* and *saddhā* should work together and perform their functions equally without exceeding each other.

 $Saddh\bar{a}$ and $pa\tilde{n}\bar{n}\bar{a}$ must be equal, if either $saddh\bar{a}$ or $pa\tilde{n}\bar{n}\bar{a}$ is in excess, then they are not balanced. $Sam\bar{a}dhi$ and *viriya* must be equal. Only *sati* is never too strong

and always necessary. *Sati* is just the protector, but the other two pairs, $sam\bar{a}dhi - viriya$ and $saddh\bar{a} - pa\tilde{n}n\bar{a}$ should be balanced.

The second development is *indriyānaṃ ekarasaṭṭhena bhāvanā*: Development in the sense of the single function of the controlling faculties.

Indriyānam: of controlling faculties; *eka rasa*: one function. The meaning of *indriyānam ekarasatthena* is that the five faculties perform their functions on the same object although each controlling faculty has its own function.

The third development is *tadupagaviriyavāhanatthena bhāvanā*: Development in the sense of effectiveness of appropriate effort.

Tadupaga: effort; *vāhana*: effectively carry on; *aṭṭhena*: in the sense of. By means of *viriya*, one's meditation is running with the object. Without *viriya*, nobody can meditate well. This kind of *tadupagaviriya* is similar to *ātāpī* as is used in the sentence "*ātāpī sampajāno satimā vineyya loke abhijjhādomanassaņ*" in the *Mahāsatipaṭṭhāna sutta*. This *ātāpī* means the kind of effort that can burn the mental defilements. *Sampajāna* means comprehension while *sati* means mindfulness.

Then the fourth development is *āsevanaţţhena bhāvanā*: The development in the sense of repetition.

The 'ā' in āsevana means again and again,

repeatedly; sevana means practicing, working.

These four developments are called $bh\bar{a}van\bar{a}$. When there is no equality and no single function of faculties, then the $bh\bar{a}van\bar{a}$ cannot be called perfect $bh\bar{a}van\bar{a}$.

How does the Path come into being?

In the original *sutta*, it is said Samathapubbangamam Vipassanam bhāvetī. Tassa Samathapubbangamam Vipassanam bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati. **Maggo sañjāyati**: the path is born within him. What is magga here? Maggo sañjayati means the path is generated; it appears, arises.

In the *Suttantaniddesa*, Venerable Sariputta asks: *Katham maggo sañjāyati*? How does the path come into being? The answer refers to the Noble Eightfold Path:

1. *Dassanatthena sammāditthi maggo sañjāyati* - In the sense of seeing, the path that is 'right view' comes into being.

It is seeing in the sense of seeing *sankhāra* (formations) as *anicca*, *dukkha*, *anatta*. People say 'seeing is believing' because when we see formations as impermanent, then we will believe that the *dhamma* is true. Therefore, seeing is very important here. Here, right view or right understanding comes into being. *Sammāditthi* is called *magga* here.

Actually, *magga* is the name of the unity of eight factors but, according to the commentary, each factor can also be called *magga*. In the beginning *sammādiţthi* sees *saħkhāra* (conditioned phenomena) as *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta* and later it sees the end of *saħkhāra; Nibbāna*.

2. Abhiniropanatthena sammāsankappo maggo sañjāyati - In the sense of directing the mind to the object, the path that is 'right thought' comes into being.

Sammāsankappa means right thought whereas abhiniropana is putting the mind onto the object. Sammāsankappa applies the mind onto the object and is similar to vitakka (initial application). During meditation, when we try to focus on the nostril, the mind often runs away. Then sati calls it back and vitakka places it on the nostril again. In fact, abhiniropana means putting in or climbing up.

3. *Pariggahatthena sammāvācā maggo sañjāyati* - In the sense of embracing verbal discipline, the path that is 'right speech' comes into being.

Embracing verbal discipline means avoiding verbal misconduct like telling lies, slandering, abusive words and vain talk.

4. Samuţihānaţihena sammākammanto maggo sañjāyati - In the sense of origination, the path that is 'right action' comes into being.

Through the power of *sammākammanta*, all actions become right actions. When it arises, it is a *virati* (an abstinence). When *mahākusala citta* (great wholesome consciousness) arises, these 37 mental states (one *citta* and 36 *cetasikas*) become right action by the power of *sammākammanta*.¹²

5. *Vodānatthena sammāājīvo maggo sañjāyati* - In the sense of purification, the path that is 'right livelihood' comes into being.

Right livelihood cleanses or purifies the associated mental states. One obtains one's livelihood in a righteous way.

6. *Paggahatthena sammāvāyāmo maggo sañjāyati* -In the sense of exertion, the path that is 'right effort' comes into being.

Right effort causes all associated mental states to work hard.

7. *Upatthānatthena sammāsati maggo sañjāyati* - In the sense of attending or establishing, the path that is

 $^{^{12}}Mah\bar{a}kusala$ citta arises together with 38 *cetasikas* in general. If right action (*sammākammanta*) happens at that time, then there could not be other 2 abstinences (*virati*), i.e. right speech and right livelihood. So, it will be 36 *cetasikas* arise together. Altogether, 37 mental phenomena can arise at the same time. (1 *citta* + 36 *cetasika*).

'right mindfulness' comes into being.

Right mindfulness causes the associated mental states to be established on the object.

8. *Avikkhepatthena sammāsamādhi maggo sañjāyati* - In the sense of non-distraction, the path that is 'right concentration' comes into being.

Vikkhepa is the opposite of *samādhi*, so *avikkhepa* is *samādhi*. Right concentration causes the associated states not to be dispersed to various objects.

All factors of the Noble Eightfold Path have to work together on the same object although each has a different function. In brief, right view sees the object and right thought puts the mind onto the object. Right speech, right action and right livelihood belong to morality. Right effort makes the associated states work hard. Right mindfulness establishes the associated states on the concentration obiect. Right makes the mind associated (consciousness and mental states) one-pointed.

For example, when one is walking, the body parts need to work together for smooth walking, therefore the eyes look to see the way, the body keeps the balance and the legs move forward. In the same way, the eight factors of the Noble Eightfold Path have to work harmoniously on the object. In conclusion, *Evaṃ maggo sañjāyati*: In this way, the path comes into being. The above is the elaboration on *maggo sañjāyati*. Next, when the path comes into being, the yogi should repeat, develop and make much of the path.

How does the yogi repeats, develops, makes much of the path?

So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti āsevatīti katham āsevati? The first part of this sentence is: So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti: The yogi repeats, develops, and makes much of the path. The second part is: āsevatīti katham āsevati?: how does he repeat?

Several answers are given: *Āvajjanto āsevati*: When one gives attention, one repeats. *Āvajjanto* means attention. *Jānanto āsevati*: When one knows, one repeats. *Passanto āsevati*: When one sees, one repeats. *Jānanto* and *passanto* means knowing and seeing with knowledge. *Paccavekkhanto āsevati*: When one reviews or investigates, one repeats. *Cittam adhițihahanto āsevati*: When one firmly fixes the mind onto the object, one repeats. The verb is *adhițihahati* and it means to stand firmly. *Adițihāna* means resolution. First, *Āvajjanto* means just attending to the object. Then, *jānanto* and *passanto* means knowing and seeing the object. *Paccavekkhanto* means investigating the object. *Cittam adhițțhahanto* means fixing the mind onto the object. Here, the knowledge grows through these series of activities on the object.

Next are the five faculties: saddhā (faith), viriya sati (mindfulness). samādhi (effort). (citta) and *paññā* (wisdom). (concentration) Saddhāva adhimuccanto āsevati: When one resolves with faith, one repeats. When one realizes the phenomenon is impermanent, by saddhā one's mind becomes determined. Such saddhā is called Dassanamūlikasaddhā. "Seeing is believing". By seeing what is impermanent with one's own wisdom mind, one starts to believe. Viriyam pagganhanto āsevati: When one raises effort, one repeats. It means not to decrease but to increase ones energy. All mental states have to be lifted through viriya (effort). Satim upatthāpento āsevati: When one establishes mindfulness, one repeats.

Cittam samādahanto āsevati: When one concentrates one's mind, one repeats. Here, the *citta* in this *Pāli* sentence from the *Visuddhimagga* also refers to *samādhi*: "*Sīle patiţthāya naro sapañño, cittam paññāñca bhāvayam*". So, *cittam samādahanto* means concentration. *Paññāya pajānanto āsevati*: When one realizes with knowledge, one repeats.

The next answers are about the Four Noble Truths. *Abhiññeyyam abhijānanto āsevati*: When one knows what should be known, one repeats. What should be known is about *nāma-rūpa, saṅkhāra* and so on. *Abhi* refers to special knowledge. *Ñeyya* means the object to be known or understood.

should know beyond People concepts or conventional truths. Like when one asks, what is this tree? One might point at the root, branch, leaves or flowers. In fact, this "tree" is just a name or a concept. It does not exist in the ultimate sense. Similarly, water is made up of more components [H₂O, two hydrogen and one oxygen]. The word "water" is just common language. A being or "I" is just a conventional truth. What really exists is nāma-rūpa and sankhāra. So, we should know what should be known. As said in the text, "Kammassa kārako natthi, vipākassa ca vedako": There is no doer, there is no experiencer of the result. Suddhadhammā pavattanti¹³: Only pure dhammas take place. Evetam sammadassanam: As such is 'right seeing'.

The next one is: *Pariññeyyam parijānanto āsevati*: When one fully understands what should be fully understood, one repeats. *Pariññeyya* refers to *dukkha sacca*, the first Noble Truth.

¹³ [Visuddhimagga, M 2.238]

Then, *Pahātabbaṃ pajahanto āsevati*: When one is abandoning what should be abandoned, one repeats. *Pahātabba* refers to *dukkha samudaya*, the cause of suffering, the second Noble Truth.

Bhāvetabbaṃ bhāvento āsevati: When one fully develops what should be developed, one repeats. Here, *bhāvetabbaṃ* refers to the Noble Eightfold Path.

Sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto āsevati: When one realizes what should be realized, one repeats. Sacchikātabbam means Nibbāna, the third Noble Truth. Evam āsevati: In this way, one repeats. Āsevati, is the starting point of Vipassanā and continues up to sotāpatti-magga (the path of stream-enterer). In fact, āsevati is starting to work.

The next qualities that are mentioned are: development (*bhāveti*) and *bahulīkaroti*: making much of it. How to develop and how to make much of it? The $P\bar{a}|i$ text gives the same answers as for *āsevati*. Hence, the translation is almost similar, in the answers only the word *āsevati* is changed into *bhāveti* and *bahulīkaroti*. Therefore, you can translate it by yourself.

"Bhāvetīti katham bhāveti? Āvajjanto bhāveti, jānanto bhāveti, passanto bhāveti, paccavekkhanto bhāveti, cittam adhiṭṭhahanto bhāveti, saddhāya adhimuccanto bhāveti, viriyam pagganhanto bhāveti, satim upaṭṭhāpento bhāveti, cittam samādahanto bhāveti, paññāya pajānanto bhāveti, abhiññeyyam abhijānanto bhāveti, pariññeyyam parijānanto bhāveti, pahātabbam pajahanto bhāveti, bhāvetabbam bhāvento bhāveti, sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bhāveti – evam bhāveti.

Bahulīkarotīti katham bahulīkaroti? Āvajjanto bahulīkaroti. iānanto bahulīkaroti, passanto bahulīkaroti. paccavekkhanto bahulīkaroti. cittam adhitthahanto bahulīkaroti, saddhāya adhimuccanto bahulīkaroti, virivam pagganhanto bahulīkaroti, satim upatthāpento bahulīkaroti. cittam samādahanto bahulīkaroti, paññāya pajānanto bahulīkaroti. abhiññeyyam abhijānanto bahulīkaroti, pariññeyyam parijānanto bahulīkaroti, pahātabbam pajahanto bahulīkaroti, bhāvetabbam bhāvento bahulīkaroti, sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bahulīkaroti – evam bahulīkaroti."

This is how a yogi repeats, develops and makes much of the path.

Chapter 4

How to abandon Fetters and Underlying Tendencies?

Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti anusayā byantīhontīti: When he repeats, develops and makes much of the path, the fetters are abandoned and the underlying tendencies are uprooted;

[Tassa: within that yogi; āsevato: who repeats; tam maggam: that path, Vipassanā path, Noble Eightfold Path (sammā diţthi - right view, sammā sankappa - right thought, sammā vācā - right speech, sammā kammanta right action, sammā ājīva - right livelihood, sammā vāyāma - right effort, sammā sati - right mindfulness, sammā samādhi - right concentration). Bhāvayato: who developed that path; bahulīkaroto: many times. Āsevato, bhāvayato, bahulīkaroto are referring to tassa: within that yogi; saññojana or samyojana: fetter; pahīyanti: are abandoned; anusayā: the underlying defilements; byantīhonti: eradicated, disappeared, no more.]

Saññojana is translated as a fetter. It is the bondage of the mind to the object just as if there is a rope between the two. It is as when one sees a visual object; it does not disappear from the mind, instead it is always remembered. Hatred (*Patigha*) is also a *saññojanā*. If a

person hates someone, he always remembers and feels hatred; his mind and that hated person as object are joined together. Put in another way: it is like glue that sticks two things together; after sticking two pieces of paper together they cannot be divided or separated. *Saññojana* is like the glue between mind and object.

When the glue has dried up between the two papers, the papers become separable or divisible, in the same way when the *saññojana* is no more, the mind and object are not bound together any more. Likewise, when the rope that binds two things together is broken, these things become separable. That is the meaning of *saññojanāni pahīyanti*, the fetters are abandoned. We do not need to abandon the two things that are bind together, i.e. the mind and the object, but we have to abandon the fetters, the glue between mind and the object or the rope that binds them together.

Anusayā means a state that is latent, an underlying tendency, something that is positive in the sense of somewhere existent. If its condition to arise comes into being than the *anusayā* becomes activated, but otherwise it is inactive and not activated. Anukaraṇaṃ labhitvā uppajjati: It will arise when supported by a suitable, supporting condition. It is like HIV positive state. Though AIDS has not been developed, it is possible. Anusayā byantīhonti means that the anusayas disappeared, are off, abandoned. The eradication of fetters and underlying tendencies is the effect of practicing the path, the result of following the path.

Katham saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti?: How to abandon the fetters, how to eradicate the underlying tendencies? This question is asked by Venerable Sariputta.

Eradication by Sotāpatti-magga

Sotāpattimaggena, sakkāyadiţţhi, vicikicchā, sīlabbataparāmāso: imāni tīņi saññojanāni pahīyanti; – By means of the path of stream-enterer, three types of fetters namely wrong view on the aggregates (sakkāyadiţthi), doubt (vicikicchā) and misconception of behaviors and practices as a way to liberation (sīlabbataparāmāsa) are eradicated.

[Sotāpattimaggena: the path of stream-entry; sakkāyadiţţhi: the wrong view of seeing the five aggregates as I or mine; vicikicchā: doubt; sīlabbataparāmāso: misconception of behavior and practice as a way of liberation; imāni: these; tīņi: three; saññojanāni: fetters; pahīyanti: are abandoned; imāni tīņi saññojanāni, these three fetters are abandoned.]

Here, Sotāpatti is sota+āpatti where sota means the

stream that is actually the Noble Eightfold Path, the unity of eight factors. $\overline{A}patti$ means enter or reach. Magga means the Noble path. By the Noble Eightfold Path, one can realize Nibbāna. By entering the stream, the Path appears. Here, sotāpanna means the person who enters the stream. Magga (mar+ga) has two functions 1. Mar = destroying the mental defilements, 2. Ga = going to Nibbāna. By the path of stream-entry, the mental defilements are partially destroyed.

Sakkāyadiţthi means that one sees the five aggregates $(k\bar{a}ya)$ in a wrong way (diţthi); one sees the five aggregates as:

- * atta self
- * attanīya property of self
- * aham I
- * mama mine.

In brief, some people view self as *atta, attanīya, aham* or *mama*. Due to seeing in these four ways, there are 20 types of *sakkāyaditthi*. In reality, the mental and physical phenomena are empty of 'I' and of 'my property'.

The word *Sakkāyadiţihi* is formed by $Sa+k\bar{a}ya+dit$ *ihi*. Sa = really exist; $k\bar{a}ya$ = the five aggregates ($r\bar{u}pa$, $vedan\bar{a}$, $san n\bar{n}\bar{a}$, $san har{a}$ and $vin n\bar{n}\bar{a}$, *ia*); dit*ihi* = wrong view. Sakkāya means real aggregates and

is formed from "Santo kāyo" There are two definitions in Pāļi "kāye diţthīti sakkāyadiţthi" and "Sakkāye pavattati diţthīti sakkāyadiţthi".

Sakkāyadiţthi is often wrongly and easily translated as the view of individuality or identity view. Literally, diţthi means seeing or viewing like dassana. Sakkāya or kāya means aggregates. Kāyakhandha means group or body. Here, the word body refers to the group of mind and matter. So, the correct translation is: "seeing the aggregates as I or mine (me, or myself) or my property".

One sees the five aggregates as *atta or attanīya*. *Atta* means *atman*, *attanīya* means belonging to *atta*. Seeing the aggregates as *atta* or *attanīya* is wrong view. If one sees aggregates as aggregates, it is correct. When one sees *nāma-rūpa* as *jīva* (soul) it is not correct. Therefore, *sakkāyadiţthi* is wrong view towards the aggregates, seeing it as *atta* or *attanīya*; as I or mine. For example, a person sees his eyes as belonging to him.

When *sotāpatti-magga* comes into being, *sakkāyadiţthi* will disappear. *Sakkāyadiţthi* is one kind of *saññojanas*, one of the fetters that causes the bondage between the mind and the object. Herein, we should study 20 types of *sakkāyadiţthi*. Different persons have different views regarding the five aggregates, so not all 20 types of *sakkāyadiţthi* are found in each person. For example, regarding the material body one thinks the body is I or mine, or considering a feeling, one thinks it is 'me', or my feeling. In the same way, one believes there is my eye, my ear. This belief is *sakkāyadi*<u>t</u><u>t</u>*hi*.

If we can remember the following four ways for one aggregate ($r\bar{u}pa$, matter), we can understand all the 20 types of *sakkāyadiţihi*.

- 1. *Rūpam attato samanupassati*: One sees matter as *atta*. It means one sees that *atta* is matter, or matter is *atta*. It means the matter and *atta* are the same thing. One considers the matter as *atman*, *jīva*, being.
- 2. *Rūpavantamvā attānam*: One sees matter as the property of *atta*.
- 3. *Attani vā rūpam*: One sees *atta* as the location of matter, matter resides in *atta*.
- 4. *Rūpasmiņvā attānaņ*: One sees matter as the location of *atta*. *Atta* remains in the matter. If believing so, it would imply that *atta* follows the size of the body. Then an elephant's *atta* would be bigger and an ant's *atta* smaller.

But these are not correct views. In the same way, there will be wrong view about the other aggregates: feeling, perception, mental formations and consciousness. By multiplying these four ways of wrong view with the five aggregates, we get 20 types of *sakkāyaditthi*.

When *sotāpatti-magga* comes into being, these wrong views are extinct. One just sees feeling as feeling,

perception as perception, and one is not thinking about it as *atta* or the property of *atta*. One just sees consciousness as consciousness, not as I or 'mine'. The view of the *sotāpanna* is so clear and is free from wrong view. When one attains *sotāpatti-magga*, there is only right view in all. He sees clearly the aggregates as aggregates. Therefore, the meaning of *sakkāyadiţthi* is the wrong view towards the aggregates as an *atta* or a property of *atta*

The next mental defilement is *vicikicchā*. It is mostly translated as doubt. Actually, it means the states of wavering between what is true and what is not true. It is also a fetter. Literally, *vici* means thinking about or considering whereas *kiccha* means tired. *Vicikicchā* means the cause of tiredness of one who considers. When there is *vicikicchā*, a person is thinking and considering about a subject; such as about the Buddha who knows The Four Noble Truths; or whether the *Dhamma* can protect one from the four woeful states; or whether the *Dhamma* can help one escape from old age and death. However, one cannot decide whether it is true or not and then becomes tired.

One might also doubt about the practice, thinking, "If we follow the path, we do not become subject to death etc. Is it true or not? Is *Nibbāna*, the state that is total freedom or liberation true or not?" Because one cannot decide, the mind wavers. It is like someone walking on a path coming to a junction. One cannot decide which road to take, one stops and considers which way to follow. Because of *vicikicchā* one cannot continue because one cannot decide and thus stops. In the same way, the meditators stop and cannot continue because of doubt. It is a great disturbance. It is one of the mental hindrances and a fetter. When one becomes a *Sotāpanna*, there is no more doubt.

 $S\bar{\imath}labbatapar\bar{a}m\bar{a}sa$ is also often wrongly translated, namely as rites and rituals. This term consists of three words. $S\bar{\imath}la$ -vata-par $\bar{a}m\bar{a}sa$. $S\bar{\imath}la$ means behaviour or manners; it does not mean morality. Vata means following or observing behaviour, practice. Some people take the behaviour of dogs or cows; behaviour of the dog (kukkuras $\bar{\imath}la$, sunakhas $\bar{\imath}la$) as sleeping on the ground, eating without using a hand but directly with his mouth, etc. There is also monkey's behaviour (makkatavata) and peacock behaviour (moravata). These behaviours of animals, not human behaviours, are called $s\bar{\imath}la$. Para is 'mis' or wrong while $\bar{a}m\bar{a}sa$ is consideration, so par $\bar{a}m\bar{a}sa$ is misconception¹⁴. Human beings might think, "I have done many wrong things." Then to escape from

¹⁴ Dhammasabhāvam aggahetvā parato āmasantīti parāmāsā. Paratoti niccādito. Āmasantīti sabhāvapaţisedhena parimajjanti. [Dhammasanganī-mūlaţīkā, M 54]

the effect of misconduct, they practiced imitation of the behaviour of a dog such as walking like a dog.

In the Buddha's lifetime, there was an ascetic who imitated dog's behaviour. This story was recorded as the discourse of the Dog-duty Ascetic [Kukkuravatika-sutta, MN 57]. Kukkuravata is dog's behaviour; ika means someone who imitates behaviour of a dog. This ascetic behaved like a dog, he walked, ate and slept in a dog's manner. His friend followed the behaviour of an ox. These two friends had different inclinations and different practices. One day they went to the Buddha to ask questions about the practice of each other. First, the Buddha refused to give an answer. However, they insisted and then he answered: "The one who follows dog practice will become a dog after death." They cried after hearing this. After that, they gave up their practice and became disciples of the Buddha. One who imitates a dog will become a dog after death because mentally he has become a dog already. This is said with reference to the translation of $s\bar{l}a$, it should not be translated as 'rites and rituals', but as 'misconception of animal behaviour and practice'.

Parāmāsa is the misconception that such practice will purify the evil state. So, *parāmāsa* means the misconception that imitating animal behaviour will lead to purification. According to explanations from the commentary and from the *Vibhanga* (2nd book of Abhidhamma) the Buddha also explained it in this way.¹⁵ Because they wrongly considered this as purification, they wrongly followed this practice.

Because they didn't have enough knowledge, they thought of the wrong way as the right way. Even though their wish to be free from suffering was good, their way was not correct and could not lead to fulfillment of their wish. Therefore, we must try to have knowledge, to learn what is correct and what is not. Just a feeling about the way is not enough to gain real liberation.

Thus, these three fetters, *sakkāyadiţţhi*, *vicikicchā* and *sīlabbataparāmāso*, are abandoned by *sotāpattimagga*.

Also, two *anusayas* which are *dițțhi* (wrong view) and *vicikicchā* (doubt) are abandoned: *Dițțhānusayo, vicikicchānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti.* [*Dițțhānusayo*: the underlying tendency of wrong view; *vicikicchānusayo*: the underlying tendency of doubt; *ime*: these, *dve*: two, *anusaya*: underlying tendency; *byantīhonti*: exterminated, comes to the end. These two *anusayas* come to an end.]

¹⁵ Tattha katamo sīlabbataparāmāso? " Ito bahiddhā samaņabrāhmaņānam sīlena suddhi vatena suddhi sīlabbatena suddhī "ti – yā evarūpā diţţhi diţţhigatam...pe... vipariyāsaggāho – ayam vuccati "sīlabbataparāmāso" [Vibhanga, M379]

When only the word *ditthi*, without a prefix, is mentioned, then it means wrong view. *Ditthānusaya* means the wrong view that lies latent in the mind. *Anusaya* means latent tendency. If another condition comes into being, it will be activated. By means of *sotāpatti-magga* the positive state becomes negative. So, it removes the underlying tendency of wrong view. *Vicikicchānusaya* is the doubt or wavering that is latent. The two *anusayas* are removed with the attainment of *sotāpatti-magga*. Therefore, *sotāpatti-magga* will eradicate three fetters (*saññojana*) and two underlying tendencies (*anusaya*).

After *sotāpatti-magga*, it is necessary to practice *Vipassanā* to attain the second path, *sakadāgāmimagga*. *Sakadāgāmimagga* is also an end of *Vipassanā* for *sotāpatti-magga*, but the level and degree are different. Here, one has to increase (*āsevati*), develop (*bhāveti*) and makes much (*bahulīkaroti*) of one's *Vipassanā*, one's insight.

Eradication by Sakadāgāmimagga

Sakadāgāmimaggena oļārikam kāmarāgasaññojanam, paṭighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti.

[*Sakadāgāmimaggena*: by the path of once-returner; *oļārikam*: gross; *kāma*: sensual pleasure; *rāga*: desire; *saññojana*: fetter; *pațigha*: hatred; *imāni dve*: these two; *saññojanāni*: fetters; *pahīyanti*: are abandoned.]

By the path of the once-returner, these two fetters *olārika kāmarāgasaññojana* (obvious fetter of sensual pleasure) and *olārika paṭighasaññojana* (obvious fetter of hatred) are abandoned. The *Sakadāgāmī* (once-returner) will be born in the *kāma* (sensual) world only once.

Sakim means once, *āgami* is return. *Oļarika* means obvious, it can be seen clearly and it is not subtle. In the obvious fetter of desire for sensual pleasure, sensual pleasure is not a fetter, only the *rāga* is the fetter. Desire for sensual pleasure is obvious and it can be known clearly. The other fetter is *pațighasaññojana*, the fetter of hatred or *dosa*. It is only the obvious one, not the subtle one, which is abandoned. By *sakadāgāmimagga*, there is not a total eradication of the fetters; the fetters are only made thinner and weaker.

Oļāriko kāmarāgānusayo, paţighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti: These two *anusayas* which are obvious desire for sensual pleasure that lies latent and obvious hatred that lies latent come to an end. [*Oļāriko kāmarāgānusayo*: underlying tendency of gross sensual pleasure; *paţighānusayo*: underlying tendency of hatred; *ime dve*: these two; *anusayā byantīhonti*: latencies come to end.]

Eradication by Anāgāmimagga

Anāgāmimaggena anusahagatam kāmarāgasaññojanam, paṭighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti: With the path of non-returning, these two fetters, which are the fetter of subtle sensual pleasure, and the fetter of subtle hatred are abandoned.

[*Anāgāmimaggena*: with the path of non-returner, *anusahagatam*: subtle; *kāmarāgasaññojana*: fetter of sensual pleasure; *paṭighasaññojana*: fetter of hatred; *imāni dve*: these two; *saññojanāni*: fetters; *pahīyanti*: are abandoned.]

 $\bar{A}gami$ is returner, $na + \bar{a}g\bar{a}mi$ is non-returner. It means non-return to the $k\bar{a}ma$ (sensual) world. The person will only be born in $r\bar{u}pa$ (form) brahma world and $ar\bar{u}pa$ (formless) brahma world. With this path, two fetters are abandoned: 1.) the fetter of subtle desire for sensual pleasure and 2.) the fetter of subtle hatred.

Anusahagato kāmarāgānusayo, paṭighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. These two anusayas come to an end, namely, the subtle desire for sensual pleasure and the subtle hatred that lies latent.

Therefore, by the two paths of *Sakadāgamī* and *Anāgāmi*, the two fetters (*saññojana*) of *kāmaraga* and *pațigha* and the underlying defilements (*anusaya*) of *kāmaraga* and *pațigha* are totally eradicated. This question is answered in detail by Venerable Sāriputta.

Eradication by Arahattamagga

The last *magga* is *arahattamagga* (path of the arahant).

Arahattamaggena rūparāgo, arūparāgo, māno, avijjā imāni pañca saññoianāni uddhaccam, _ pahīvanti; mānānusavo, bhavarāgānusavo, avijjānusavo – ime tavo anusavā byantīhonti.: With the Arahant path, the five fetters namely desire for material for immaterial being (rūparāga), desire being (arūparāga), pride (māna), restlessness (uddhacca) and ignorance $(avijj\bar{a})$ are abandoned. In addition, the three underlying tendencies of conceit (mānanusaya), desire being (bhavarāgānusaya) and of ignorance for (avijjānusaya) are exterminated. This is about how the fetters are abandoned and the underlying tendencies are eradicated

[Arahattamaggena: with Arahattamagga; rūparāgo: desire for material being; *arūparāgo*: desire for immaterial being; *māno*: conceit; uddhaccam: restlessness; avijjā: ignorance; imāni: these; pañca: five; fetters; *pahīvanti*: saññojanāni: are abandoned: underlying tendency mānānusavo: for conceit: bhavarāgānusayo: underlying tendency for desire for being; avijjānusayo: underlying tendency for ignorance; tavo: three; anusayā: underlying tendencies; ime bvantihonti: comes to end/exterminated.]

Arahattamagga is the fourth, most powerful and last

stage of the path. By *arahattamagga* these five fetters are abandoned. The first is $r\bar{u}par\bar{a}ga$. $R\bar{u}par\bar{a}ga$ refers to the desire for the life of $r\bar{u}pa$ (form) brahma world. $Ar\bar{u}par\bar{a}ga$ refers to the desire for the life of $ar\bar{u}pa$ (formless) brahma world. Both $r\bar{u}par\bar{a}ga$ and $ar\bar{u}par\bar{a}ga$ are also called *bhavarāga*. By means of *anāgāmimagga*, the *kāmarāga*, desire for sensual pleasure is eradicated. Therefore, an *anāgāmi* will never be born in the *kāma* world, but only at *rūpa* brahma plane or *arūpa* brahma plane.

Rūparāga and *arūparaga* mean desire for existence in *rūpa* or *arūpa* planes or the attachment to *rūpa jhāna* or *arūpa jhāna*. Actually, there are three types of attachment: *kāmarāga*, *rūparāga*, *arūparāga*. *Kāmarāga* is totally abandoned by *anāgāmimagga* whereas *rūparāga* and *arūparāga* are totally abandoned by *Arahattamagga*. These attachments are totally eradicated by these two paths.

The rest of the fetters that are *māna* (conceit), *uddhacca* (restlessness) and *avijjā* (ignorance) are also eradicated. The three *anusayas* come to an end by *arahattamagga*: 1.) *mānānusaya*, conceit that lies latent. 2.) *bhavarāgānusaya* desire for life existence that lies latent. 3.) *avijjānusaya*, ignorance that lies latent. These technical terms are used in *Abhidhamma* and *Suttanta*.

Evaņ saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti: Thus, fetters are abandoned, underlying tendencies come to an end.

This is a detailed explanation by Venerable Sāriputta in the *Paţisambhidamagga* on how to develop *Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*. In this part, the answer is based on *nekkhammavasena*, the way of renunciation. The explanation is now continued with the way of non-hatred, *abyāpādavasena*.

(ii) By means of non-hatred

[3.] *Abyāpādavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi*: It is *samādhi* that is one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction by means of non-hatred.

Among the mental hindrances, the first is *kāmachanda*, the desire for sensual pleasure. The opposite of this is *nekkhamma*, the renunciation of *kāmachanda*. The hindrance of hatred, *byāpāda nīvaraņa* is the second; its opposite is *abyāpāda*, non-hatred.

One has to eradicate the mental hindrances, *nīvaraņa* before one can obtain *samādhi*. The earlier part mentions that one needs to have *nekkhamma* in order to eradicate *kāmacchanda*. Now, this part clearly says one needs to have *abyāpāda* in order to eradicate *byāpāda* (ill-will or hatred). By removing *byāpāda*, one obtains *samādhi*, which is one-pointedness of mind (*cittassa ekaggatā*) which means the mind has only one object. *Avikkhepo*

means non-distraction to other objects. Therefore, *samādhi* is explained by two words: *cittassa ekaggatā* (the state of one-pointedness of mind) and *avikkhepa* (state of non-distraction). When *samādhi* appears, no *nīvaraņa* remains. Here it is explained according to the *nīvaranas*, the mental hindrances.

In the next citation of the text, the *pe* is $peyy\bar{a}la$, contraction. It should be expanded as such:

"Abyāpādavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. Tattha jāte dhamme aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā, dukkhato anupassanatthena Vipassanā, anattato.... Maggo sañjāyatīti.....

So taṃ maggaṃ āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti..... Bhāvetīti kathaṃ bhāveti....

bahulīkarotīti katham bahulīkarotīti......

Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti anusayā byantīhontīti... evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

(iii) By means of perception of light

Alokasaññāvasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi...pe...: It is *samādhi* that is one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction by means of the perception of light. The place where *pe=peyyāla* is should be expanded as before.

The third hindrance is $th\bar{n}a$ -middha, sloth and torpor. To remove it, one must have a perception of light, $\bar{a}lokasa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}a$. The unworkability of mind and body is called $th\bar{n}a$ -middha. It means that when $th\bar{n}a$ comes into being, there is no mental work possible. When middha comes into being, no bodily work is possible. One has no *cittakammaññatā* (wieldiness of consciousness) and $k\bar{a}yakammaññat\bar{a}$ (wieldiness of the body of mental states). One becomes sleepy, and cannot work. Sloth and torpor can be removed by $\bar{a}lokasañña$. It is $\bar{a}loka-kasina$, a light device. There are 10 types of kasina, like $pathav\bar{i}$ -kasina (earth device), $\bar{a}po$ -kasina (water device) as mentioned in the Abhidhammattha-sangaha. It is for Samatha practice.

The next ones are not shown in the text. In fact, there are 32 meditation objects, these are mentioned in the former chapter of the *Patisambhidamagga*: *Anantarika-samādhi niddesa*.

(iv) By means of non- distraction

The next one is *avikkhepanavasena*, by means of non-distraction. The text should be: "*Avikkhepanavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi.*" Here, by means of *avikkhepana* (non-distraction), one can overcome the fourth hindrance, which is *uddhacca-kukkucca* (restlessness and remorse).

(v) By means of analysis of Dhamma

Then the fifth way: "*dhammavavatthānavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi.*" *Dhammavavatthāna* is the determination of *dhamma* or analysis of *dhamma*. This is *Dhamma* knowledge. This is the opposite of the fifth hindrance, *vicikicchā*. By the decision on *dhamma*, doubt is possibly eradicated.

The above five methods (*nekkhamma*, *abyāpāda*, *ālokasañña*, *avikkhepana*, *dhammavavattthāna*) are explained according to the series of *nīvaraņa* (hindrance).

The Pāli text goes on until "Paţinissaggānupassī assāsavasena Paţinissaggānupassī passāsavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi." This is according to the Mahāsatipatṭhānasutta (The Great Discourse of Four Foundations of Mindfulness). Here all the meditation objects are omitted.

We choose the *yuganaddhakathā* for discussion and elaboration here. However, to understand deeply, we should go to the starting point in the *Patisambhidhamagga* because Venerable Sāriputta

explained there in detail these meditation methods such as *avikkhepanavasena*.

The same things are explained for the rest of the meditation objects. Whatever the meditation object, $sam\bar{a}dhi$ is important. It cannot be said that one technique is better than the other is, because a suitable meditation object should be chosen according to the practitioner's inclination.

Tattha jāte dhamme aniccato anupassanaţţhena Vipassanā, dukkhato anupassanaţţhena Vipassanā, anattato anupassanaţţhena Vipassanā. Iti paţhamam samatho, pacchā Vipassanā. Tena vuccati – "Samathapubbaṅgamam vipassanam bhāvetī"

Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā — tattha jātānam dhammānam anativattanatthena bhāvanā, indriyānam ekarasatthena bhāvanā, tadupagaviriyavāhanatthena bhāvanā, āsevanatthena bhāvanā. Maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati? Dassanatthena sammāditthi maggo sañjāyati, abhiniropanatthena sammāsankappo maggo sañjāyati...pe... avikkhepatthena sammāsamādhi maggo sañjāyati. Evam maggo sañjāyati.

It is the same as the points given before, and it continues with the same elaboration on how one makes much of the path.

Then the conclusion: Evan Samathapubbangam

vipassanam bhāveti. "In such a way, one develops *Vipassanā* preceded by *Samatha*." This concludes the explanation for the first way of practice: *Vipassana* preceded by *Samatha*. Here *Samatha* comes first, knowledge comes later.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Chapter 5

The 2nd Way: Samatha preceded by Vipassanā

[4.] Katham Vipassanāpubbangamam Samatham bhāveti?: How does he develop serenity preceded by insight? How does one develop Vipassanā first, and Samatha later? Aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā: It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation of impermanence. Here, no object is mentioned. Later on an object will be specified. Maybe one just thinks everything is conditioned and subject to rise and fall. Dukkhato anupassanatthena Vipassanā: It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation of suffering. Anattato anupassanatthena Vipassanā: It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation of non-self, non-soul.

Here, *Vipassanā* is first developed, after that one develops *Samatha*. *Tattha jātānaṃ dhammānañca vosaggārammaṇatā cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi*.: It is *samādhi* that is one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction of the mental states, which has Nibbāna as object.

[*Tattha*: there; *jātānam dhammānañca*: of *dhamma* (mental states) appear; *vosaggārammaņatā*: having *Nibbāna* as intention; *cittassa ekaggatā*: one-pointedness of mind; *avikkhepo*: non-distraction; *samādhi*: concentration; *Vosaggārammaṇatā*: having relinquishment as their supporting object.

Three expressions for samādhi are given: 1.) Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammanatā, 2.) cittassa ekaggatā, 3.) avikkhepo. These three indicate samādhi. Tattha jātānam dhammānañca means the mental states that appear having Nibbāna as intention. When you practice Vipassanā, then knowledge, mindfulness and effort all work together. When you meditate phenomena as anicca, dukkha, anatta, there appear meditation minds, which are composed of knowledge, mindfulness and effort. These mental states in Vipassanā are tattha jātānam. These states have only one object, this is vosaggārammanatā. Vosaggā means abandoned and ārammaņatā means object or intention. Therefore, the term vosaggārammanatā means Nibbāna because it abandons sankhāra, all conditioned things. Actually, Vipassanā has only sankhāra as object, not Nibbāna as object. Vipassanā meditators have the intention to attain Nibbāna, so the intention here is mentioned as the object. Nibbāna is the highest goal or summum bonum of meditation practitioners. The intention in the yogi's mind

is Nibbāna and this is the only goal.

Whatever mental states arise during meditation, whether they are right thought, right effort, right concentration and so on, they work together for *Nibbāna*, with only one intention towards *Nibbāna*. Therefore, *Nibbāna* is the object of mind. By concentrating on one intention and object, the mind obtains one-pointedness and non-distraction.

In the commentary the following explanation is given. Vosaggārammaņatāti ettha vosaggo Nibbānam. Nibbānañhi sankhatavosaggato pariccāgato "vosaggo" ti vutto. Here vosagga means Nibbāna. Nibbāna is said to be "vosagga" because it abandons sankhata (all conditioned things).

explanation is "Vipassanā Another са Nibbānaninnatāva tamsampayuttadhammā са ajjhāsayavasena nibbāne patiţţhitattā Nibbānapatiţţhā nibbānārammanā"¹⁶ The yogi's inclination is towards *Nibbāna*, therefore according to his ajjhasaya (disposition, intention), all mental states like right thought, effort and so on are inclining towards Nibbāna, establishing in Nibbāna and are having Nibbāna as objective, even though their mind object is just sankhāra. The yogi follows the meditation practice because he

¹⁶ Pațisambhidāmagga-ațțhakathā (M2.189)

wants to be free from suffering. "I dislike birth, age, disease and death. I would like to attain *Nibbāna*, where there is no birth, no age, no disease and no death."

You may want to learn *dhamma* because of wanting to know the truth, with the intention to attain Nibbāna. Similarly, with the wish for liberation all meditation is directed towards supreme happiness, liberation (moksa, mokkha). Because of the wish to be free from all suffering the mind intentionally inclines towards Nibbāna. When having the intention towards Nibbāna, which means having the object of Nibbāna. one-pointedness of mind (*cittassa ekaggatā*) and the state of non-distraction (avikkhepa) appear. That is why it is said: Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammaņatā cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi.: It is samādhi that is one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction of the mental states that has Nibbāna as object.

Iti paṭhamaṃ Vipassanā, pacchā samatho: In this way, Vipassanā comes first and Samatha follows it. Tena vuccati – "Vipassanāpubbaṅgamaṃ Samathaṃ bhāvetā"ti. Therefore, it is said that Samatha is preceded by Vipassanā.

Sometimes, we understand that *Samatha* takes place before *Vipassanā* or in a different sequence. But in this practice, *samādhi* and *Vipassanā* are developed together. Actually, in the Noble Eightfold Path, *karaka magganga*, the five workers, which are right understanding, right thought, right effort, right mindfulness and right concentration have to work harmoniously. Dependent on the morality group, which consists of right speech, right action and right livelihood, these five workers must work together in the meditation practice.

Right understanding and right thought belong to the paññā (wisdom) group, while right effort, right mindfulness and right concentration belong to the samādhi group. That means that in the meditation practice, the five workers that can be summarized as 'wisdom' and 'concentration' have to work together. Because of difference in emphasis, namely on $pa\tilde{n}\bar{n}\bar{a}$ or samādhi, the meditation technique will differ. Indeed, in the actual practice, wisdom (Vipassanā, paññā) and concentration (Samatha, samādhi) have to work That is why we have harmoniously. "Samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāveti" as the first meditation technique and "Vipassanāpubbangamam Samatham bhāveti" as the second technique.

Before practice, we think "Oh everything is impermanent, suffering. Yesterday has gone, today will leave for tomorrow. Time is always changing. Not only time, also our body, strength and youth are changing second by second. We are moving on all the time." One may think, "I came from my country", but even while one is sitting here listening to the lecture, one is getting older and moving. One thinks it is the same seat, but the seat is not the same.

That is impermanence. Due to impermanence, there is suffering. Because of suffering, it is non-self. Thinking about impermanence, suffering and non-self, the mind is working together on that point and also there is no distraction, there is *samādhi*. First comes knowledge, *Vipassanā*, after that *samādhi*.

The rest of the Pāli text is similar to the explanations as before. *Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā* – *āsevanaţihena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāyatīti kathaṃ maggo sañjāyati...pe... evaṃ maggo sañjāyati. Evaṃ saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.* There are four kinds of development: development in the sense of repetition, "*Pe*" means *peyyāla*, contraction; the text is omitted where *peyyāla* is stated.

The next $P\bar{a}_{li}^{i}$ lines indicate the object for *Vipassanā*. Here, first with the specific object that is $r\bar{u}pa$. $R\bar{u}pam$ aniccato anupassanatihena Vipassanā: It is insight in the sense of contemplation of matter as impermanence. $R\bar{u}pam$ dukkhato anupassanatihena Vipassanā: It is insight in the sense of contemplation of matter as suffering. $R\bar{u}pam$ anattato anupassanatihena Vipassanā: It is insight in the sense of contemplation of matter as non-self.

Aniccato, as impermanence is the manner of contemplation. That means seeing matter as anicca,

dukkha and *anatta*. During meditation practice, one sees all types of matter, like heat and cold. Then by seeing their arising and falling as impermanent, it is *Vipassana* contemplation.

What is impermanent is *dukkha*, unsatisfactoriness. This *dukkha* does not mean pain. Because of rising and faling, impermanence, there is unsatisfactoriness. We have no power to stop it, it is uncontrollable, it is *anatta*, non-self. Therefore, when one sees *anicca*, one will see *dukkha* and *anatta*. In one *sutta*, the Buddha said: *yadaniccam tam dukkham*: What is *anicca* is *dukkha*. *Yam dukkham tadanattā*: What is *dukkha* is *anatta*.

Therefore, seeing *anicca* is important in *Vipassanā*. By seeing *anicca*, the knowledge of *udayabbayañāna*, knowledge of the fast arising and falling of phenomena appears. After that, the yogi sees only the cessation or falling of the object. This is the highest level of *anicca*.

Bhango aniccāya paramatho hoti: Seeing falling or dissolution is the highest level of anicca. Here, of the Vipassanā knowledges, only udayabbayañāņa and bhangañāņa are explained. The other knowledges, like ādīnava (danger), nibbidā (weariness) and muñcitukamyata (knowledge of desire for deliverance) are other aspects of Vipassanā.

In conclusion, seeing *anicca* is the most important in *Vipassanā* because one who sees *anicca*, will also see

dukkha and anatta, just as those bhikkhus in the Anattalakkhana sutta. These three characteristics should be known with the right knowledge. That is why one should see matter ($r\bar{u}pa$) as impermanent. This is clearly Yuganaddha. explained in "Rūpam aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā rūpam dukkhato anupassanatthena Vipassanā, rūpam anattato anupassanatthena Vipassanā." Here Vipassanā comes first, after that samādhi (Samatha) follows.

Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammaņatā cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. It is samādhi, those mental states of non-distraction and one-pointedness of mind, which is caused by those states that appear in Vipassanā and have Nibbāna as their objective.

This means that it is *samādhi* in the state of non-distraction. Non-distraction is because of one-pointedness of mind, having just one object. This state of one-pointedness is produced because of the states that appear in *Vipassanā*, which has the *Nibbāna* object as intention.

During meditation practice, one sees *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta*. All mental states have *Nibbāna* as their intention, they are all directed towards *Nibbāna*. It produces one-pointedness of mind. Such a state can be

called a state of non-distraction, meaning not wandering to other objects, *avikkhepa*: but the mind remains on one object or one point. This state is meant here by *samādhi*.

This is different from *samādhi* in *Samatha* practice. In *Samatha* practice, *samādhi* runs with the *nimitta* (mental image) object. For example, when a yogi practices and focuses on breathing (*ānāpāna*), there appears a *nimitta* (mental image). The yogi's mind stays with this *nimitta* object which is *Samatha-samādhi* only.

Here in *Vipassanā* practice, the *samādhi* actually means one-pointedness, that has the intention of *Nibbāna* and realises all phenomena as *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta*. Actually, a state of non-distraction (*avikheppa*) which realizes *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta* is called *samādhi* or *Samatha* here.

Iti paṭhamaṃ Vipassanā, pacchā samatho.:In this way Vipassana comes first and Samatha follows. Tena vuccati – "Vipassanāpubbaṅgamaṃ Samathaṃ bhāvetī"ti. Therefore it is said, "one develops Samatha preceded by Vipassanā".

Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanatthena bhāvanā... (same way, therefore omitted) pe... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. (like before) Then the object changes from matter (*rūpa*) to feeling (*vedanā*). *Vedanam* ... *pe* ... *saññam* ... *sankhāre*...*viññānam*...*cakkhum..pe*...*jarāmaraṇam*. Many objects are given here, like *cakkhu, sota, ghāna, jivhā, kāya āyatana,* then *cakkhu viññāṇa, sotaviññāṇa...* and so on. These are the 18 bases. Then: *avijjā, sankhāra, viññāṇa, nāma-rūpa, saļāyatana, phassa, vedanā, taṇhā, upādāna, bhava, jāti, jarāmaraṇam*. These are the factors in *Pațicca-samuppāda* . If you study the *Visuddhimagga* thoroughly, you will find the same things.

Here *vedanā* is an object instead of *rūpa*. The Pāli should run like this: Vedanam aniccato text Vipassanā, Vedanam anupassanatthena dukkhato Vipassanā, Vedanam anupassanatthena anattato anupassanațthena Vipassanā. It is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation of feeling as impermanent, it is *Vipassanā* in the sense of contemplation of feeling as unsatisfactorily, it is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation of feeling as non-self.

As for cakkhu, the Pāli should read like this: "Cakkhum aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā, cakkhum dukkhato anupassanatthena Vipassanā, cakkhum anattato anupassanatthena Vipassanā."

As for *jarāmaraņa* (decay and death), the *Pāli* text should read like this: *"Jarāmaraņam aniccato anupassanatthena Vipassanā*": It is *Vipassanā* in the sense of contemplation of decay and death as impermanence. Death means impermanence, decay is also impermanence. Then, the rest of the $P\bar{a}li$ texts are the same as before. This is the ending part of the second explanation of meditation practice: One practices *Vipassanā* first, *Samatha* later.

In Yuganaddha, Vipassanā means knowledge or insight practice whereas samādhi means concentration and Samatha practice. Sometimes Vipassanā leads, and sometimes Samatha leads. We can have insight preceded by samādhi, or samādhi preceded by insight. Here, there is no referring to techniques, but what is leading. Venerable Sāriputta explained it in this way. The explanation in the Commentary however, is about meditation technique. It says: one follows first Samatha then Vipassanā. However, according to Patisambhidamagga, it is *samādhi* and *paññā*; sometimes samādhi leads, sometimes paññā leads. This is more flexible, because both samādhi and paññā are necessary. During meditation practice, both are important.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Chapter 6

The 3rd way: Joined Practice of Samatha and Vipassanā

Let us move on to the next way of practice, the combination of Samatha and Vipassanā. [5.] Katham Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop serenity and insight coupled together? Yuganaddha means pair, conjunction, joining together. Yuganaddha happen at two can moments: 1.) Pubbabhāga *magga* is at the earlier stage, at Vipassanā-magga, and this stage is mundane. 2.) Ariya magga is at the later moment, at Magga khana (the moment of attainment of the noble path) and it is supramundane.

Therefore, *yuganaddha* is possible in the earlier and later state of the path. However, in *Pațisambhidāmagga*, only the later state of the path is explained, the earlier path is not clearly mentioned. According to the commentaries, a yogi firstly attains first *jhāna*, and then he contemplates the *jhānic* states as impermanent, suffering and non-self. Then he attains 2^{nd} *jhāna*, withdraws from 2^{nd} *jhāna* and contemplates on the *jhānic* states. That means that he firstly practices *Samatha*, then *Vipassanā*, it also means that these practices are practiced alternately.

Here in the *Yuganaddha*, it is explained in another way. At the later part, that means the moment of *Ariya*

Magga, the moment one attains *sotāpatti-magga*, *sakadāgāmimagga*, *anāgāmimagga* or *arahattamagga*, *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* are joined together and practiced.

Therefore, we must know these two meanings of *yuganaddha*:

- 1. *Pubbabhāga-yuganaddha* is at the earlier stage, at the *Vipassanā* time.
- 2. *Magga-yuganaddha* is at the later stage, at the moment of *magga*.

So again: Katham Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joined together? Solasahi ākārehi Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti: One develops Samatha and Vipassanā joined together in 16 aspects. So = cha, six; lasa= dasa: 10; [6 plus 10 is 16] $\bar{A}k\bar{a}rehi$: by aspects.

Solasahi ākārehi - 16 Aspects

Ārammaņaţihena gocaraţihena pahānaţihena pariccāgaţihena vuţihānaţihena vivaţianaţihena santaţihena paņītaţihena vimuttaţihena anāsavaţihena taraņaţihena animittaţihena appaņihitaţihena suññataţihena ekarasaţihena anativattanaţihena

yuganaddhatthena.

The last one, *yuganaddha*, is not included in the list (it would be the 17th). *Ārammaņa*: object; *aṭthena*: in the sense of. These are the meanings:

- 1. *Ārammaņaţţhena* in the sense of object;
- 2. Gocaratthena in the sense of domain.

Both *ārammaņa* and *gocara* mean object, they are synonymous terms. Sometimes *gocara* means meadow, food or place.

- *3. Pahānatthena* in the sense of abandoning, overcoming.
- 4. *Pariccāgatthena* in the sense of giving up, totally abandoning.
- 5. Vutthānatthena -in the sense of rising, emerging.
- 6. *Vivațțanațțhena-* in the sense of turning away. It means that it never comes back.
- 7. Santatthena- in the sense of peacefulness.
- 8. *Paņītaţţhena-* in the sense of sublime.
- 9. Vimuttatthena- in the sense of liberation.
- 10. Anāsavaţthena- in the sense of cankerlessness, without cankers.
- 11. Taranatthena- in the sense of crossing over.
- 12. Animittatthena- in the sense of signlessness.
- 13. Appanihitatthena- in the sense of desirelessness, free of desire.
- 14. Suññatațțhena- in the sense of emptiness, void.
- 15. Ekarasatthena- in the sense of single function.

16. Anativattanațthena- in the sense of non-excess, equality.

In addition, *yuganaddhatthena* means in the sense of coupling.

1. Ārammaņa (object)

Katham ārammaņatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of the supporting object? This refers to the moment of the Noble Path, magga. Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhārammaņo: When one removes restlessness, it is samādhi with Nibbāna (nirodha) as object, it is non-distraction, one-pointedness of mind. This refers to Samatha. Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā nirodhārammaņā.: When one removes ignorance, it is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation, that has cessation (Nibbāna) as object. This refers to Vipassanā.

Samādhi is of masculine gender, so the text says nirodhārammaņo. Vipassanā is of feminine gender, thus it says nirodhārammaņā.

Nirodha is the cessation of suffering and it is *Nibbāna*. The object of *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* is *Nibbāna* here, but here the *Nibbāna* object is referring to intention. Actually, *Vipassana's* object is not *Nibbāna*,

but it is *sankhāra*. Here, however, the *Nibbāna* object refers to the intention of attaining *Nibbāna*. At the moment of *maggakkhaņa*, both *Samādhi* and *Vipassanā* work on the *Nibbāna* object because the eight factors in the Noble Eightfold Path are working together at that moment.

During *Vipassanā* practice, one develops the Noble Eightfold Path, especially *sammādiţthi*. *Sammādiţthi* cannot work alone, it needs the other factors like right thought (*sammāsankappa*), right effort (*sammāvāyāma*), right mindfulness (*sammāsati*) and right concentration (*sammāsamādhi*). When one is attaining *magga*, the Noble Eightfold Path becomes mature. In the earlier *Vipassanā* stage, one works with the *sankhāra* object, however, at the moment of *magga*, one works with the real *Nibbāna* object (not intention).

sammāditthi Herein. is just sammāditthi. Sammāsamādhi is just sammāsamādhi. Sammāditthi is knowledge, sammāsamādhi is concentration (samādhi). At the moment of magga, sammāditthi and sammāsamādhi work with the Nibbāna object. Venerable Sāriputta used this yuganaddha only at the moment of magga. Before magga, at the earlier state, it is not real *yuganaddha*, because *Vipassanā* and *Samatha* are developed one after another. They are not developed together at the same time.

The opposite of *samādhi* is *uddhacca*. The opposite

of *Vipassanā* (knowledge) is *avijjā* (ignorance). These are opposite states (*pațipakkhadhamma*), like light and darkness. *Uddhaccam pajahato* means that the yogi removes *uddhacca* through *samādhi*. The *samādhi* is with the *Nibbāna* object. When knowledge tries to remove ignorance (*avijjā*), its object is also *Nibbāna*. This means that *Vipassanā* and *Samādhi* are equal and are working harmoniously together in a joint effort.

At this time (the moment of magga), the Noble Eightfold Path also works together with the Nibbāna object. It means that all factors in the Noble Eightfold Path have Nibbāna as object, but they perform different Sammāditthi (right view) removes functions. micchāditthi (wrong view), sammāsankappa removes micchāsankappa (wrong thought), sammāvāyāma (right micchāvāvāma effort). effort) removes (wrong concentration) sammāsamādhi (right removes (wrong concentration) and so on. micchāsamādhi Sammāditthi and sammāsamādhi need to be especially mentioned. Sammādiţthi is the knowledge here. At the moment of *Vipassanā* and the three lower *maggas*, they temporarily and partially remove avijjā. Only at the moment of Arahattamagga, sammādiţţhi totally removes avijjā and sammāsamādhi totally removes uddhacca.

Iti ārammaņatthena Samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti: Thus, serenity and insight in the sense of supporting object have a single function, are joined together and do not exceed one another.

[*Iti*: thus. Thus serenity and insight in the sense of supporting object have *ekarasā*: a single function (taste); *yuganaddhā honti* are joined together, and *aññamaññaṃ nātivattantīti*: do not exceed each other.]

There are four kinds of development – this is similar as before. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanaţţhena bhāvanā... pe ... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati... pe ... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam ārammaņaţţhena Samatha- vipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti.

2. Gocara - domain

Katham gocaratthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* joining together in the sense of domain?

Gocara is a kind of object, domain or field. Normally, *ārammaņa* and *gocara* are synonymous terms. Here, *gocara* is explained as domain. Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā nirodhagocarā: When one abandons agitation, then the unification of cognizance and non-distraction are concentration, with cessation (*nirodha*) as its domain.

This is like *ārammanatthena*. There is not much difference. Here, samādhi is sammāsamādhi. When samādhi appears, uddhacca is abandoned. Vipassanā is sammāditthi or paññā. When it appears, no avijjā (ignorance) will arise. Without samādhi and without $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}a$, the meditation cannot work. These two factors are important factors in the Noble Eightfold Path, the path consists of three groups; sīla, samādhi and paññā. Sammāvācā (right speech), sammākammanta (right action) and sammāājīva (right livelihood) are in the sīla group. Sammāvāyāma (right effort), sammāsati (right mindfulness) and sammāsamādhi (right concentration) are in the samādhi group. Sammāditthi (right view) and sammāsankappa (right thought) are in the paññā group. Here, the above *Pāli* text explains only *samādhi* and paññā, they are known as five kāraka magganga, the five worker-factors of the noble path.

When a practitioner tries to practice meditation, *samādhi* arises in him. This *samādhi* with cessation as domain eradicates *uddhacca*. By *pañňā*, *avijjā* is eradicated. *Samādhi* and *paññā* have both cessation (*nirodha*) as domain. When they arise, they eradicate their opposites *uddhacca* and *avijjā*.

Iti gocarațțhena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti: Thus, Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of domain have a single function, are joined together and do not exceed one another. **Tena vuccati** – **"gocaratthena Samathavipassanaṃ yuganaddhaṃ bhāvetī"ti**: Hence it is said, "one develops serenity and insight coupled together in the sense of domain."

The Pațisambhidāmagga commentary said, "ārammaņațțhepi sati nissayitabbațțhānațthena" ¹⁷. Ārammaņa means just object. Gocara means dependent on Nibbāna. Depending on Nibbāna, samādhi eradicates uddhacca, and paññā eradicates avijjā. Both have an individual single function according to its domain and both are dependent on only one situation, which is Nibbāna. This is called ekarasā.

3. Pahāna - Abandonment

Katham pahānatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of abandoning? Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro: When one abandons the defilements associated with restlessness or agitation and their

¹⁷ Pațisambhida-ațțhakathā (M 2.189)

resultant aggregates, then the unification of cognizance and non-distraction are concentration, and have cessation as its domain (*nirodhagocaro*).

[*Udhaccasahagata*: associated with *uddhacca*; *kilese*: defilements; *khandha*: aggregates; *pajahato*: when one abandons; *cittassa ekaggatā*: one pointedness: *avikkhepo*: non-distraction; *samādhi*: concentration; *nirodhagocaro*: cessation as domain.]

Avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā nirodhagocarā: When he abandons defilements associated with ignorance and their resultant aggregates, then his Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation has cessation as its domain.

[*Avijjāsahagata*: associated with *avijjā*; *kilese*: defilement; *khandhe*: aggregates; *pajahato*: when one abandons; *anupassanaṭṭhena*: in the sense of contemplation; *Vipassanā*: Insight; *nirodhagocarā*: cessation as domain.]

Before this, only the word *uddhacca* was used, now the word *uddhaccasahagata* is used. *Uddhaccasahagatakilese pajahato* means that not only *uddhacca* but also the mental defilements that arise together with *uddhacca* are eradicated. *Khandha*, meaning the five aggregates, is also eradicated. The eradication of *kilesa* associated with *uddhacca* is thoroughly effected when *magga citta* arises. After that, there will be no more new khandha.

Actually, there are two *parinibbānas*: 1. *kilesa-parinibbāna* (cessation of defilements) and 2. *khandha-parinibbāna* (cessation of the aggregates).

When the Buddha attained *arahatta magga* under the Bodhi tree, the *magga* totally eradicated the *kilesas* (defilements). By *samādhi*, the *kilesas* that are associated with *uddhacca* are eradicated. By *paññā*, the *kilesas* associating with *avijjā* are totally eradicated. The cessation of *kilesas* is called *kilesa-parinibbāna*.

The Buddha lived up to 80 years. When the kilesas were totally eradicated at enlightenment, the Buddha's physical body (khandha) still remained. At that moment enlightenment, Buddha of his the attained saupādisesa-nibbāna (Nibbāna with upādisesa). Upādisesa means results of kilesa and kamma. Even though no defilement was left, the khandha remained for 45 years. When the Buddha was 80 years of age and attained parinibbana (final passing away), then his khandha (body) was also no more, this Nibbāna is called anupādisesa-nibbāna, Nibbāna without remainder.

It is said, "*Kilesa-nirodhe kamma-nirodho*": When *kilesa* ceases, the *kamma* ceases. When *kamma* ceases, *khandha* also ceases. Therefore, the Buddha had two times of *parinibbāna*. The first was *kilesa-parinibbāna*, this is the cessation of *kilesa* that happened at the age of

35. The second is *khandha-parinibbāna*, the cessation of *khandha*, material body, which happened at the age of 80. When *magga* eradicates *kilesa*, *khandha* will be no more. After the lifespan expires, nothing can remain, no new *khandha* will be produced, even if old *khandhas* remain, no new *khandhas* arise. Therefore, it is said "Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pajahato".

At the moment of *magga*, *magga* eradicates *kilesa* directly, and eradicates *kamma* and *khandha* indirectly. For instance, if a tree is still alive, it bears flowers and fruits. By cutting its roots, the roots as well as its flowers and fruits will perish. In the same way, when *magga* eradicates *kilesa*, then *khandha* and *kamma* will be no more.

Iti pahānatthena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "pahānatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.: Thus Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of abandoning have single function, are coupled together and do not exceed each other. It was said, "he develops Samatha and Vipassanā together, in the sense of abandoning".

4. Pariccāga - Giving up

This is similar with the previous point; here the word is changed from *pajahāto* to *pariccajato*. *Kathaṃ*

pariccāgatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā the coupled together in sense of giving up? Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pariccajato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro: gives up defilements When one associated with restlessness and the aggregates (khandha). then one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is concentration. cessation with as its domain (nirodhagocaro). Avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pariccaiato anupassanatthena Vipassanā nirodhagocarā: When one gives up ignorance associated with defilements and aggregates, then *Vipassanā* in the sense of contemplation has cessation as its domain.

Iti pariccāgațihena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "pariccāgațihena Samatha- vipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti. The translation is similar as before.

5. Vuțțhāna - Withdrawing

Katham vutthānatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joined together in the sense of withdrawing? Uddhaccasahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vutthahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi *nirodhagocaro*: When he withdraws from defilements (*kilesa*) associated with *uddhacca* (distraction, restlessness), and aggregates (*khandha*), then his unification of cognizance and non-distraction are concentration, with cessation as its domain.

Here, *vutthahato* means withdrawing from, not emerging. 'To' is ablative, meaning 'from'. The verb is *vutthahati*. Just as one is absorbed in *jhāna* and then withdraws from *jhāna*. Or as a *Sotāpanna* who is totally withdrawn from woeful states and will never be born in woeful states. So also, when the *maggas* appear, one is withdrawn from mental defilements (*kilesa*) and the aggregates (*khandha*). Here, 'withdrawing from' means disconnected or separated from it.

Iti vutthānatthena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "vutthānatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti. The translation is as before.

6. Vivattana - Turning Away

Katham vivattanatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vivattato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro: When turning away from the defilements that are associated with restlessness and the aggregates, then the unification of cognizance and non-distraction are concentration, with cessation as its domain. Avijjāsahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vivaţţato anupassanaţţhena Vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti vivaţţanaţţhena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "vivaţţanaţţhena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.

Here, *vivațțanațțhena* means in the sense of turning away. There is no association but only separation. (The rest of text is the same as before.)

7. Santa - Peacefulness

Katham santatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi <u>santo honti</u> nirodhagocaro: When one abandons restlessness, then the meditation has peaceful concentration, with cessation as its domain. Santatthena: in the sense of peacefulness. It should be "santo hoti" [singular], not "santo honti" because honti means plural.

Iti santatthena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "santatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti. The rest of text is similar.

8. Paņīta - Sublime

paṇītatthena Samathavipassanam Katham yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi paņīto hoti nirodhagocaro: When one abandons restlessness, the one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is sublime concentration, and cessation as its domain. Avijjam pajahato has anupassanatthena Vipassanā panītā hoti nirodhagocarā: When one abandons ignorance, it is Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation; it is sublime and has cessation as its domain.

Iti paņītațihena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – "paņītațihena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti. The rest of text has a similar translation as before.

9. Vimutta - Liberation

Katham vimuttatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of liberation? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā samādhi kāmāsavā avikkhepo vimutto hoti nirodhagocaro: When one abandons restlessness, the state of one-pointedness of mind and of non-distraction is samādhi, which is free from canker of sensual desire,

and with the state of cessation as object.

Vimuttatthena means in the sense of liberation. Samatha and Vipassanā together cause liberation. They are different but they can work together at the same moment. When restlessness arises, the mind wanders to many objects and cannot focus on one object. The yogi then tries to abandon mental restlessness to establish samādhi. Just like when one wants to remove darkness, one needs light because only light can dispell the dark. Similarly, uddhacca can be abandoned by samādhi. Pajahato describes a person, like bhagavato, arahato. [This is the genitive case, it is the same as pajahatassa.]

When abandoning mental restlessness, cittassa ekaggatā (mental one-pointedness) will arise. Eka: one; agga: point; tā: state. It means the state of mind that is with a single object. At that time, the mind has only one object, and does not wander to other objects. It does not refer to a person, it is only citta. There is no person, individual, *jīva*, being or creature. In reality there is only citta, which is just a phenomenon, and its arising depends on conditions. There is no 'I', nor 'my property'. Cittassa ekaggatā means one-pointedness of mind, not 'me'. In meditation, when one is trying to remove restlessness and the mind has one object and does not non-distraction (avikkhepa) wander then occurs. One-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is samādhi.

Kāmāsavā vimutto hoti: That samādhi is free from

 $k\bar{a}m\bar{a}sava [k\bar{a}ma+\bar{a}sava]$. In *Abhidhamma*, there are four types of $\bar{a}sava$ (canker): 1.) canker of sensual pleasure $(k\bar{a}m\bar{a}sava)$, 2.) canker of becoming (*bhavāsava*), 3.) canker of wrong view (*diṭṭhāsava*) and 4.) canker of ignorance (*avijjāsava*). *Āsava* means canker or flux, influx. In this text, only $k\bar{a}m\bar{a}sava$ is mentioned. $K\bar{a}ma$ means desire, attachment or craving (*lobha*) for sensual pleasure. This $k\bar{a}ma$ here is different from $k\bar{a}macchanda$, where *chanda* is $r\bar{a}ga$ and $k\bar{a}ma$ is sensual pleasure. Here $k\bar{a}ma$ in $k\bar{a}m\bar{a}sava$ means desire.

Actually, *kāma* refers to two meanings, the first one is sensual pleasure. The second one is the desire for a sensual object; in this case it is craving, *taṇhā* or *lobha*. The *samādhi* in meditation protects one from the canker of sensual desire. Therefore, one has liberation when one is free from this canker. *Kāmāsavā vimutto* means freedom from the canker of desire for sensual pleasure.

Nirodhagocaro means the domain of cessation. That is the meaning; *samādhi* that remains with the *Nibbāna* object is free from *kāmāsava* at that moment.

Next is: *Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā avijjāsavā vimuttā hoti nirodhagocarā*: When one abandons ignorance, the knowledge (*Vipassanā*) in the sense of contemplation (meditation) is free from the canker of ignorance and has cessation as its domain. When meditating, knowledge will appear and ignorance is no more. Therefore, when one is trying to abandon $avijj\bar{a}$, *Vipassanā* happens in the sense of contemplation (*anupassana*), seeing things as they really are. Contemplation or realizing the nature of things is real *Vipassanā* meditation. However nowadays people prefer concentration, not contemplation. After the concentration is no more, nothing remains. Contrary to contemplation, by contemplation one can obtain knowledge. This is important because the knowledge that is obtained will stay and remain for a long time.

Whatever posture you are taking, whether sitting or walking, is not important; to have mindfulness is important. As long as you are awake, you should contemplate, from the morning till the night. When you look at your face in the mirror, you should contemplate "I am getting older and older day after day. With every step I take, I am closer to death." Even when drinking a cup of water, we can contemplate, "the water I have drunk has disappeared already." "With every in-breath and out-breath, death might occur. Who knows this might be the last breath?"

In fact, concentration (*samādhi*) removes only uddhacca whereas contemplation (*anupassana*) removes avijjā. Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā avijjāsavā vimuttā hoti nirodhagocarā": This Vipassanā is free from the canker of ignorance, with the object of *nibbāna* as its domain. Put in another way: depending on the *nibbāna* object, one is free from *avijjāsava*.

The conclusion is: Iti rāgavirāgā cetovimutti avijjāvirāgā paññā vimuttatthena Samatha Vipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti.

The meaning: As such, due to the eradication of craving, there is liberation or freedom of mind; due to the eradication of ignorance, there is liberation by knowledge; through these liberations, *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* have one function (of freedom), are joined together and are not exceeding one another.

Rāgavirāgā cetovimutti: This is also mentioned in the *Anguttaranikāya*. As it is said in "*cetovimuttīti Maggasampayutto samādhi*", *cetovimutti* (mental liberation) is *samādhi* associated with *magga*. *Cetovimutti* means freedom of mind. It arises when there is *rāgavirāga*, the eradication of attachment or craving. *Virāga* means eradication.

Avijjāvirāgā paññā vimutti: Due to the eradication of ignorance, there is paññāvimutti (freedom by knowledge) which is Vipassanā. Paññāvimutti means the knowledge associated with magga. Actually, ceta refers to samādhi, paññā is knowledge.

Ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti: One function, joined together and not exceeding one another.

Therefore, it is *Samatha* that is freedom of mind and *Vipassanā* that is freedom by knowledge. Because they are free from their opposites, they have one function (*ekarasa*), they are joined together (*yuganaddha*) and they are not exceeding one another (aññamaññam nātivattanti). *Samādhi* is the opposite of rāga (craving). In the earlier sentence, it was *uddhacca*, here *samādhi* is liberated from kāma. *Paññā* is liberated from *avijjā*. *Paññā* is the direct opposite of *vicikicchā* (doubt).

When *uddhacca* is no more, *rāga* can still disturb the *samādhi*. This is because the yogi can have greed towards good states in the sitting. "I can sit long for about 2 or 3 hours, my *samādhi* is nice. My meditation is excellent." This is called *dhammarāga* (greed for *dhamma*) and *dhammanandī* (enjoyment in *dhamma*), it is attachment to good experiences. Therefore at this point, *rāga* disturbs *samādhi*, not only *uddhacca*.

Tena vuccati –"*vimuttațțhena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī*"*ti.*: Therefore it is said, one develops *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* joining together in the sense of liberation.

10. Anāsava - Freedom from cankers Katham anāsavaṭṭhena Samathavipassanam

yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of freedom from āsava (canker). Anāsava means na āsava, free from āsava.

Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi kāmāsavena anāsavo hoti nirodhagocaro: When one abandons restlessness, the state of one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is samādhi, and is freedom from the canker of sensual pleasure. Actually, when the mind is not wandering about, restlessness is not there. When samādhi is there, there is no attachment to sensual pleasure.

Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā avijjāsavena anāsavā hoti nirodhagocarā: When one is abandoning ignorance, Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation appears; it is freedom from ignorance, and has cessation as domain.

Iti anāsavatihena Samatha Vipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti.: In this way Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of being freed of āsava, have a single function, are joined together and do not exceed one another. The samādhi and Vipassanā cause freedom from kāmāsava, Vipassanā causes freedom from avijjāsava, so there is a single function of freedom. Tena vuccati-"anāsavatihena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.: Therefore it was said, one develops Samatha and *Vipassanā* joining together in the sense of freedom from *āsava*.

11. Taraņa - Cross over

Katham taranatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of crossing over? Taranatthena means to cross over, like one crosses over the river.

Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca tarato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro: When trying to cross over the mental defilements that are associated with restlessness and the resultant aggregates, the state of one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is samādhi, and has cessation as its domain. It means that when the yogi is crossing over kilesas and khandhas, at that time samādhi comes into being. This samādhi has the Nibbāna object as its domain.

Avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca tarato anupassanaţthena Vipassanā nirodhagocarā.: When trying to cross over kilesas associated with avijjā and also khandha, Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation happens. Vipassanā is with the object of Nibbāna as its domain. Taraṇațthena means just crossing over or traversing. Samatha Vipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññaṃ nātivattantīti.: Thus Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of crossing over, have a single function of crossing over, are joined together, and do not exceed one another. Tena vuccati-"taraṇaṭṭhena Samathavipassanaṃ yuganaddhaṃ bhāvetī"ti.: Therefore it is said, one develops Samatha and Vipassanā joined together in the sense of crossing over.

Aññamaññam nātivattantīti: They do not exceed each other, there is reciprocity. It means Samatha is not more than Vipassanā and vice versa. They equally perform their own functions. In Samatha, there is more emphasis on samādhi while in Vipassanā there is more emphasis on knowledge. If there is too much samādhi, sloth and torpor can invade the mind because samādhi is close to slugginess and quietness.

Vipassanā scrutinizes everything and contemplates the object with pañña, therefore *uddhacca* is more likely to occur. When *Vipassanā* is more than *Samatha*, i.e. when pañña is over *samādhi*, then the mind is subject to restlessness. The mind cannot be kept on one object but wanders to many objects. If *Vipassanā* and *Samatha* are equal, then they work together and perform their functions equally. Therefore it is said, *nātivattanti*. If they are equal, they protect each other from laziness and restlessness. Therefore, meditation can be carried on smoothly. Before *magga* arises. sometimes *samādhi* and *paññā* are not equal. But when *magga* appears, then *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* are totally equalized in their own functions and they cannot be separated.

12. Animitta - Signlessness

animittatthena Samathavipassanam Katham vuganaddhambhāveti?: How does develop one Samattha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of signlessness (animitta)? Here, nimitta is the sign. This sign is the sign of *sankhāra*, which is rising and falling. Hence, it is *anicca*. dukkha. anatta. So. the sankhāranimitta is rising and falling.

If you want to say *animitta* here, it must be the sign of *nicca, sukha, atta*. In *saṅkhāra* there is not such a sign because all *saṅkhāra's*, all conditioned things, are impermanent, suffering, and non-self or non-soul. Conditioned things do not have a sign of *nicca, sukha* and *atta* (permanence, happiness and self/soul). Therefore, this *animitta* refers to the supramundane path, *ariya magga*. This *animitta* means: no sign of *saṅkhāra*. In the supramundane state, there is no conditioned thing, there is only the unconditioned.

Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbanimittehi animitto hoti nirodhagocaro,: When one abandons restlessness, the state of one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is samādhi, which is free from all signs, and has cessation as its domain.

When we try to remove *uddhacca*, *samādhi* comes into being. That *samādhi* is *sabbanimittehi animitto hoti nirodhagocaro*: it is free from all signs and has the object of *nibbāna* as its domain. It is *animitta* (signlessness) in *Nibbāna*, and in *magga* and *phala*. Sometimes *Vipassanā* is also called *animitta*. Here, however, it is *samādhi sabbanimittehi animitto hoti nirodhagocaro* and thus refers to *Samatha*.

Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā sabbanimittehi animittā hoti nirodhagocarā: When one is trying to abandon avijjā, Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation comes into being, that Vipassanā is free from all signs, having cessation (the nibbāna object) as its domain.

Iti animittațțhena Samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti: Thus Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of signlessness have one single function, are joined together, and do not exceed one another.

Tena vuccati, "animittatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.: Therefore it was said, one develops Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of signlessness.

Note: Pațisambhidā means to analyze as many

aspects as is possible. There are many explanations possible. Therefore, although 16 points are given here, it can be more.

13. Appaņihita - Desireless

Katham appanihitatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joining together in the sense of desirelessness?

Paņihita means desire whereas *appaņihita* means free from desire, desireless. In the commentary, *paņihita* is said to be all types of desires. It is not only craving $(r\bar{a}ga)$, also *dosa* and *moha* are *paņihita*. For example, one desires with craving. One may also desire anger that means one wishes to get angry. *Paṇihita* means an attitude of *dosa, moha, rāga,* etc.

Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbapaņidhīhi appaņihito hoti nirodhagocaro,: When one tries to abandon restlessness, the state of one-pointedness of mind and non-distraction is samādhi, that samādhi is free from all desires, with the object of nibbāna as its domain.

Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā sabbapanidhīhi appanihitā hoti nirodhagocarā: When trying to abandon avijja, Vipassanā in the sense of

contemplation comes into being, that *Vipassanā* is free from all desires and has the object of *Nibbāna* as its domain.

Iti appaņihitatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati- "appaņihitatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.: Thus, Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of desirelessness perform a single function, are joined together and do not exceed one another. Therefore, it is said Samatha and Vipassanā are joined together in the sense of desirelessness.

14. Suñña - Void

Katham suññattthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti?: How does one develop Samatha and Vipassanā joined together in the sense of void or emptiness. Suññata is translated as void or emptiness. There are different views regarding emptiness.

The central philosophy¹⁸ by Nāgārjuna says that all

¹⁸It is called as "Mūla-madhvamaka-kārikā".

There is unanimous agreement that Nāgāriuna (ca 150–250 AD) is the most important Buddhist philosopher after the historical Buddha himself and one of the most original and influential thinkers in the history of Indian philosophy. His philosophy of the "middle wav" (*madhyamaka*), based around the central notion of "emptiness"

is empty. The Buddha also used this term in "suññato loka avekkhassu". Loka means the five aggregates. The sentence means that one should contemplate the five aggregates as empty. This is actually a meditation practice. In the Suññataloka sutta in the Samyutta Nikāya, the Buddha said "Cakkhu suññam attena vā attaniyena $v\bar{a}$ ": The eye is empty of 'I' and 'my property'. Actually, sensitive eye is materiality and it really is. There is no self/soul (atta), or property of self/soul (attaniya) in the eye.

Nāgārjuna also said that *Paţicca-samuppāda* can be a *suñña* concept. His theory of emptiness, or void, is as follows. In *avijjāpaccayā sankhāra*, where there is *avijjā*, there is *sankhāra*; when there is no *avijjā* there is no *sankhāra*. As long as *avijjā* exists, *sankhāra* exists; when it does not exist, *sankhāra* also does not exist. They become mutually empty. This is like the case of father and son. If there is a father, there is a son; if there is a son,

⁽*śūnvatā*), influenced the Indian philosophical debate for a thousand vears after his death; with the spread of Buddhism to Tibet, China, Japan and other Asian countries the writings of Nāgāriuna became an indispensable point of reference for their own philosophical inquiries. A specific reading of Nāgāriuna's thought, called *Prāsangika-Madhvamaka*, became the official philosophical position of Tibetan Buddhism which regards it as the pinnacle of philosophical sophistication up to the present day. [Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy.]

[[]http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/Nagarjuna/]

there is a father. If there is no son, there is no father. In brief, there is a mutual effect relationship, one refers to one another other; depending on each other they exist; if one does not exist, the other will also not exist.

There are totally 27 chapters in this work, but even the understanding of one chapter is difficult. There are many ideas but there is no specific answer. This is called 'Dialectic'¹⁹.

In the Buddha's teaching, there is also such dialectic thinking, such as: "Does the Tathāgata exist after death? Does the Tathāgata not exist after death? Does the Tathāgata exist and not exist after death? Does the Tathāgata neither exist nor not exist after death?" The Buddha totally rejected these four points. This view is recorded in the *Aggivaccha sutta* in the *Majjhima-Nikāya* [M 1.251].

There was also another discussion: "After the attainment of *arahata magga*, will the arahant be born? Will the arahant not reborn? Will he be reborn and not be reborn? Will he neither be reborn nor not be reborn?" The Buddha rejects the concept of sentient beings; therefore, all questions were rejected. Sentient beings is

¹⁹ Art of investigating or discussion on the truth of opinions. [Oxford Dictionary]

just a concept, there is nothing to say or to accept. Maybe Nāgārjuna also followed this system.

The question might arise whether what was said by Nāgārjuna. Sometimes Nāgārjuna said *saṃsāra* and *nibbāna* are the same. As long as there is *avijjā*, *nibbāna* seems to be *saṃsāra*. When *avijjā* is removed, it is *nibbāna*. Because *Nibbāna* exists, *saṃsāra* does not exists. He gave a simile of a rope and a snake. When there is no light, the rope seems to be a snake. With light that is acting as a truth, the rope is seen as it is. Truth can be seen with knowledge. All is confusing without knowledge. So all these are just his own views.

Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbābhinivesehi suñño hoti nirodhagocaro: When one abandons restlessness, the one-pointedness of mind and non distraction is the concentration that is empty of all misinterpretations, and has cessation (*Nibbāna*) as its domain.

Abhinivesa means misinterpretation. The Buddha said: Sabbadhammā nālam abhiniveseyya: All dhammas should not be thought of as 'I' or 'my property'. Abhinivesa means a misinterpretation of all dhammas, like thinking there is 'I', soul and things belonging to 'I', 'mine'. Actually abhinivesa means keeping in the mind, meaning considering in the mind. Like Cakkhu suññam attena vā attaniyena vā, people thought the eye is atta, or belonging to atta. That is why suñña means empty of

atta and attaniya. The eye is just a material quality. It is empty of atta and attaniya.

Avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena Vipassanā sabbābhinivesehi suññā hoti nirodhagocarā.: When one is trying to abandon ignorance, Vipassanā in the sense of contemplation appears. That Vipassanā is void of all misinterpretation and has cessation (Nibbāna) as its domain

Iti suññatatthena SamathaVipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti: In this way, Samatha and Vipassanā in the sense of void, have one function, join together and do not exceed one another.

"suññatatthena Tena vuccati – Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī"ti.

Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanaţţhena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāvatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāvati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam suññatatthena Samathavipassanam yuganaddham **bhāveti**. This is the same translation as before.

Imehi solasahi ākārehi Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti, evam Samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti.: Through these 16 aspects²⁰,

[[]The description of 15. Ekarasatthena- in the sense of single 20 119

Samatha and Vipassanā are joined together. As such one develops Samatha and Vipassanā joined together.

Advice

Pațisambhidāmagga is for people who have great knowledge. The explanation is in detail; therefore, we should study the whole text of *Pațisambhidāmagga*, from the beginning to the end. All points must be understood. Not all *dhammas* are easy. However, almost all *dhammas* arise within us. The supramundane level is not in us, and we must try to attain it. Only few people can obtain the attainment. Even book knowledge is very difficult. Similarly, *Yuganaddhakathā* is difficult to understand.

Yuganaddha is concerning meditation, it is important to understand the practice of meditation. It clearly explains Samatha and Vipassanā. Some points are quite strange from our contemporary point of view, but most people understand Samatha and Vipassanā. According to the text, Samatha refers to samādhi and Vipassanā refers to paññā (knowledge). Without samādhi and without paññā, meditation practice is impossible. According to Yuganaddha, samādhi can be called Samatha, while

function and 16. *Anativattanatthena-* in the sense of non-excess, equality, are included in the former 14 aspects]

paññā can be called Vipassanā.

Attainments like maggasamādhi and phala- samādhi, supramundane samādhi and supramundane paññā are not ways of practice. These are attainments themselves. Only Samatha and Vipassanā are to be practiced. According to the objects, the Samatha object is mostly a concept, whereas the Vipassanā object is ultimate reality. But when Samatha and Vipassanā work together, it is at the high level of Vipassanā. For example, when a yogi obtains sankhārupekkhā ñāṇa (knowledge of equanimity towards formations), samādhi and Vipassanā (paññā) are in balance and work harmoniously together.

Therefore, due to the power of *sankhārupekkhā ñāna*, the yogi can obtain the state of supramundane path and fruition, or *magga* and *phala*. At that time, *samādhi* and *paññā* are equally working together and this is really *yuganaddha*. *Yuganaddha* in its true meaning is the joining of *samādhi* and *paññā* or the joining of *Samatha* and *Vipassanā*. The other *Yuganaddha* is so-called *yuganaddha* and it happens before the attainment and during meditation practice. At that time, *samādhi* happens first and it is followed by *Vipassanā*. They take turns at different moments. Because they are not joined in the same moment, they cannot be called *yuganaddha*.

Here in the supramundane state, *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* are equalized in one moment. According to *Abhidhamma*, *samādhi* is *ekaggatā* while *Vipassanā* is

 $pa \tilde{n} \tilde{n} \bar{a}$. These mental factors associate together, arise together, cease together, taking the same object and work from the same base. Such a system of association is called *sampayutta paccayo*.

It should be noted that in the same moment, only one consciousness is possible to arise; two consciousnesses in one moment is impossible. However, in one moment, many types of mental states can arise together. Here, we must understand *citta* and *cetasika*. *Citta* means mere consciousness and that does not include mental state (*cetasika*).

In some situations, these *citta* and *cetasika* can be taught separately, for example in the first verse of the *Dhammapada* it is said: *'manopubbangamā dhammā'*, meaning the mind precedes all mental states. Here, mind or *mana* means pure consciousness without *cetasika*. *Cetasika* comes later. In reality however, whenever consciousness (*citta*) arises, it must arise together with some mental states (*cetasika*).

According to Abhidhamma we should clearly know about that. So Samatha and Vipassanā are not consciousness (citta), but they are cetasikas (mental states, mental factors). Samatha is samādhi and Vipassanā is paññā. Only one consciousness can arise at one moment but many cetasikas can arise in the same moment. Therefore, samādhi and paññā are possible to arise together. During Vipassanā practice, samādhi and $pa \tilde{n} \bar{n} \bar{a}$ are sometimes together; but sometimes $pa \tilde{n} \bar{n} \bar{a}$ or $sam \bar{a} dhi$ is in excess. Sometimes $pa \tilde{n} \bar{n} \bar{a}$ leads and $sam \bar{a} dhi$ follows or vice versa.

Samādhi always associates with wholesome consciousness, but pañña is not always present. Sometimes the mind is without pañña, and this is called ñanavippayutta citta, dissociated from knowledge. For example, when we recite homage to the Buddha: "Namo tassa" without paying attention, thinking about other things, then there is no wisdom.

In the same way, $Vipassan\bar{a}$ can be carried on without knowledge because at that time, perception $(sa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a})$ and consciousness are at work. Sometimes, $sa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ works more than $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ during meditation practice. A yogi might go several times to a meditation centre, but cannot improve his knowledge and his *Vipassanā* practice because $sa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ works more than $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ during meditation. Then, it will take a lot of time to attain any result. Therefore, the meditators should strive to increase the knowledge and wisdom.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Chapter 6

The 4th Way: *Dhammuddhacca* - Removing Restlessness

Dhammuddhaccavāraniddesa is the explanation of dhammuddhacca, restlessness, regarding the state of the path. Here dhamma refers to 10 types of objects that appear during meditation practice. During Vipassanā practice, when the mindfulness and tranquility become strong, good states like illumination (light), joy, peacefulness and knowledge will appear. This happens before one attains magga, during the practice. The yogi assumes that these good states (dhamma) are higher attainments of the practice. The mind wanders towards these states, takes them up as objects and misconceives them as a real achievement. Then one travels on the wrong road and misses the right way of practice.

[6.] *Kathaṃ dhammuddhaccaviggahitaṃ mānasaṃ hoti?*: How is the mind occupied by restlessness towards the state?

Mana is synonymous with *ceta*, *viññāṇa*. *Viggahita* means influenced, occupied, agitated. *Vi* means deformed, distorted, wrong way, *gahita* means taking up. So *dhammudddhaccaviggahita* means influenced by restlessness towards the state.

For example, in a meditation practice, a yogi's mind becomes tranquil. At that time, this mental situation produces illumination that comes out from the body and mind. Instead of contemplating it as *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta*, the yogi misconceives it as a higher attainment. This is called *Dhammuddhaccaviggahita*. It is formed by *dhamma+uddhacca+viggahita* (state + restlessness + taken up).

Aniccato manasikaroto obhāso uppajjati,: While the practitioner gives attention as impermanence, obhāso dhammoti obhāsam āvajjati tato vikhepo uddhaccam: he considers the illumination (light) as a dhamma, so he is distracted. At this point - the object is not mentioned here - a general point is given. While the yogi contemplates the light as anicca, at this time, his mind cannot concentrate on the right object. Here, Vikkhepa means scattering, uddhacca means mental restlessness.

Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso aniccato upaţţhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, dukkhato upaţţhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, anattato upaţţhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti. A practitioner whose mind is distorted by that mental restlessness does not realize in a correct way, as it is (*yathābhūtam nappajānāti*), the manifestation (*upatthānam*) as *anicca*, he does not realize the manifestation as suffering nor as non-self.

How to solve the disturbance to meditation? The

answer is:

vuccati – "dhammuddhaccaviggahita-Tena *mānaso hoti so samayo*,: So samayo: as long as he thinks that it is his attainment, he will continue with the illumination. At that time he is not on the way of Vipassanā, he is off the road. He thinks that it is not necessary to practice any more, he thinks 'I reached my destination, nibbāna', and he abandons the practice of Vipassanā. Then the teacher explains that it is not a higher attainment, but just because of good concentration that the mind produces light, and that this is just a disturbance. The teacher tells him he must continue with his practice. With the guidance from his meditation teacher, he abandons the wrong path and continues the right path. He just continues to note the light as it is, aware of its arising and passing away.

Yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santiţihati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati: The mind is internally composed, resettled, restored to singleness and re-concentrated.

[Sannisīdati: the mind settles again, becomes quiet, ekodi hoti: he focuses only on that point that is manifested as anicca, dukkha and anatta; samādhiyati: concentrated again on the object]

Tassa maggo sañjāyatī"ti: Then the real path of Vipassanā comes into being. katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati, evam

saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

10 Vipassanupakilesa

Aniccato manasikaroto ñāṇam uppajjati . The yogi contemplates it as impermanent. In total 10 kinds of *vipassanupakilesa*, disturbances of *Vipassanā*, are mentioned that should be contemplated as impermanent.

- 1. *obhāso uppajjati* light appears. It has already been mentioned.
- 2. *ñāṇaṃ uppajjati* knowledge appears while the yogi is considering attention as impermanent,
- 3. *pīti uppajjati* joy appears;
- 4. *passaddhi uppajjati* tranquility appears, in body and mind, a very peaceful state;
- 5. sukham uppajjati happiness or pleasure appears.
- 6. *adhimokkho uppajjati*, *saddhā*, confidence resolution, (here the experience of *saddhā* is very strong), belief appears;
- 7. *paggaho uppajjati*, *viriya* exertion appears;
- 8. *upațțhānam uppajjati* this is as in *satipațțhāna*, mindfulness with the object appears and is established;
- 9. upekkhā uppajjati equanimity appears;
- 10. nikanti uppajjati attachment appears. 'nikanti dhammo'ti nikantim āvajjati.: he considers attachment as a real attainment.

The last one, nikanti is a real kilesa, but it cannot be

known as evil. It is a very subtle attachment to the good states in the meditation. The 1st to 9th are good qualities in the meditation. However, they cause disturbances because the yogi considers them as a higher attainment. Therefore, before meditation practice, we should learn about these *kilesas*, then we should increase the effort up to *Nibbāna*. Such knowledge is important; otherwise, the yogi stops the practice, thinking he is an *arahant*.

Tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso aniccato upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, dukkhato upatthānam vathābhūtam nappajānāti, upatthānam vathābhūtam anattato Tena "dhammuddhaccanappajānāti. vuccati _ viggahitamānaso hoti so samayo, yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyatī"ti. Katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāvati, evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

[The translation is like before. Then:]

Dukkhato manasikaroto...pe... anattato manasikaroto obhāso uppajjati...pe... ñāņam uppajjati, pīti uppajjati, passaddhi uppajjati, sukham uppajjati, adhimokkho uppajjati, paggaho uppajjati, upatthānam uppajjati, upekkhā uppajjati, nikanti uppajjati, 'nikanti dhammo'ti nikantim āvajjati. Tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso anattato upaṭṭhānaṃ, aniccato upaṭṭhānaṃ, dukkhato upaṭṭhānaṃ yathābhūtaṃ nappajānāti. Tena vuccati – "dhammuddhacca- viggahitamānaso...pe... evaṃ saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti".

Here, the yogi contemplates it as suffering (*dukkhato*), when the light appears. Then the same follows for the contemplation of non-self (*anattato*), when the light appears, etc.

Rūpaṃ aniccato manasikaroto: Here, the meditation object is specified as $r\bar{u}pa$, materiality. It is the same as before, one attends the matter aggregate as impermanent, and thereafter one contemplates *vedanā*, *saṅkhāra*, etc as impermanent.

...pe... rūpam dukkhato manasikaroto... rūpam anattato manasikaroto... vedanam...pe... saññam... sankhāre... viñnānam...

One contemplates matter as suffering and non-self. One should contemplate the other aggregates namely feeling, perception, mental formations and consciousness as impermanent, suffering and non-self.

cakkhum... pe ... jarāmaraņam aniccato manasikaroto ...pe... jarāmaraņam dukkhato manasikaroto, jarāmaraņam anattato manasikaroto

One should contemplate the bases like the eye, ear,

nose....eye consciousness etc and the 12 factors of Dependent Origination, starting from ignorance to old age and death (*jarāmaraņaṃ*), as impermanent, suffering and non-self.

uppajjati...pe... ñānam uppajjati, pīti obhāso uppajjati, passaddhi uppajjati, sukham uppajjati. adhimokkho uppajjati, paggaho uppajjati, upatthānam uppajjati, upekkhā uppajjati, nikanti uppajjati, 'nikanti dhammo'ti nikantim āvajjati. Tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. uddhaccena viggahitamānaso. Jarāmaranam Tena upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti. anattato Jarāmaraņam aniccato upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, jarāmaranam dukkhato upatthānam nappajānāti. yathābhūtam Tena vuccati "dhammuddhaccaviggahitamānaso hoti. So samayo, yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyatī"ti. Katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīvanti, anusavā byantīhonti. Evam dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti.

The rest is similar as before.

Conclusion: The Four Individuals

The *Yuganaddhakathā* concludes with a verse that addresses four types of individuals.

Obhāse ceva ñāņe ca,:

If there is illumination and knowledge, *pītivā ca vikampati;*:

rapture and wavering;

Passaddhiyā sukhe ceva,:

Or tranquility and pleasure,

yehi cittaṃ pavedhati.:

whereupon one's mind becomes confused.

Adhimokkhe ca paggāhe:

Resolution and exertion,

upațțhāne ca kampati;:

establishment of mindfulness and wavers;

Upekkhāvajjanāya ceva,:

And adverting to equanimity,

upekkhāya ca nikantiyā.:

and equanimity and attachment.

Imāni dasa ṭhānāni,:

These ten points,

paññā yassa pariccitā;:

when one comes to scrutinize and understands; *Dhammuddhaccakusalo hoti*,:

One who is skillful in restlessness states,

na ca sammoha gacchati.:

does not enter into confusion.

Explanation: If you have knowledge, then you know these descriptions of states are defilements of *Vipassanā*, you know these as disturbances.

Practitioners can be divided into four types according to their qualities: The first one is a person with *mandapaññā* (slow wisdom). Some yogis are a little dull and their *paññā* is so slow. When such a yogi faces one of these ten problems, his or her mind will waver and becomes defiled. His or her meditation is lost.

The second one is a person with *majjhimapaññā*, his or her knowledge is of a medium level. The wisdom is not strong. When he or she faces problems in *Vipassanā*, the mind will waver but does not become defiled. His or her meditation will decline.

The third type is $tikkhapa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}a$, one with sharp knowledge and intelligence. His or her mind wavers a bit but does not become defiled. So, one's meditation is not reduced.

The fourth is *atitikkhapaññā*, one with great intelligence. When facing *upakkilesa*, the mind does not waver at all and becomes not defiled; there is no loss of meditation. This explains the next lines in the verse about the four types.

[The first one, the dull one:]

Vikkhipati ceva kilissati ca,:

his mind wavers and is defiled, *cavati cittabhāvanā*.:

the meditation is lost, out of bhāvanā.

[The second one, the one with medium knowledge:] *Vikkhipati na kilissati,*:

wavers, wanders about, his mind is not defiled, *bhāvanā parihāyati*.:

the meditation declined.

[The third one, an intelligent person:] *Vikkhipati na kilissati*,:

Wavers but not defiled.

bhāvanā na parihāyati.:

meditation does not declined.

[The fourth one, a person with great intelligence:] *Na ca vikkhipate cittam na kilissati*,:

No wavering and not defiled, *na cavati cittabhāvanā*.:

does not lose the meditation.

Then: Imehi catūhi ţhānehi cittassa sankhepavikkhepaviggahitam dasa ţhāne sampajānātīti:

With respect to these ten ideas (disturbances) one can understand (of persons) the distraction and non-distraction of the mind in these four ways.

Yuganaddhakathā nițțhitā:

The discourse of Yuganaddha is completed.

Some commentaries give very interesting points about *kilesa*. Which kind of mental defilements appear because of illumination? There are three types of mental defilements. These are wrong view (*ditthi*), conceit (*māna*) and craving (*nikanti*). So, when illumination comes into being, at that time the practitioner might think: "This is me, myself". If one thinks like that, *ditthi* appeared. When one thinks, "This I am", *māna* comes into being. When one thinks it is mine, my property, *nikanti* has arisen. These three *taṇhā* (*nikanti*, craving), *māna* (conceit), *ditthi* (wrong view) are called *papañcadhamma*²¹.

Etam mama: This is my thing; this refers to *tanhā*. *Esohamasmi*: This is I; this refers to *māna*. *Eso me atta*: "This is myself, *atta*", this refers to

²¹ *Papañcadhamma*: The world's diffuseness created by craving, false views and conceit; conceptual proliferation [Pāli Text Society's Pāli-Engish dictionary]

dițțhi.

Altogether, these three types of mental defilements appear when one is considering in incorrect ways. However, the very intelligent person never defiles his or her mind by means of these mental defilements. When illumination appears, he or she thinks, "This illumination appears in me, it is impermanent, it rises depending on conditions, and it has the nature of cessation (*nirodhadhamma*), the nature of falling (*vayadhamma*)."

He or she understands that things appear on their own, according to the conditions, and that they will cease soon. There is no permanent entity and one cannot control things according to one's wish. One understands that all things are subject to impermanence, suffering and non-self. When one understands *anicca*, one will remove $m\bar{a}na$. When one sees this illumination is not happiness but is dissatisfying in nature because it is subject to rising and falling, one understands *dukkha*. Then one will remove $tanh\bar{a}$. When one understands that things arise dependent on conditions, that these are uncontrollable, then one understands *anatta*. When thinking about *anatta*, one removes wrong view (*ditthi*).

People wish each other, "May you be happy!" or say "Happy New Year!" No one likes unhappiness. People do not say "May you be suffering!" or "Suffering New Year". To become peaceful, we must make an effort to remove the *papañcadhammas*, which are *tanhā*, *māna*, *diţthi*. May you succeed!

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Questions and Answers

Question 1. Is there any difference between *gocara* and *ārammaņa*?

Answer: In *Pāļi, gocara* and *ārammaņa* are synonymous terms in some contexts. In other situations, they are different things. In the *Samyutta Nikāya*, it says, "*nanavisayānam nanagocarānam indriyānām*", here *gocara* is explained by *ārammaņa*. *Visaya* means the sense field. So, *gocara* is similar to *ārammaņa*.

In the *Dhammapada*, there is this word "buddhamanantagocara²²" and anantaragocara is explained by "anantassa ārammaņassa". Here, gocara is explained by ārammaņa. So gocara and ārammaņa are similar in meaning. Buddhamanantagocara means a Buddha who is endowed with sabbaññutā knowledge that has infinite objects.

Gocara is formed by go+cara. Go is cow, cara is where the cow has food, so it is a meadow or field. In the *Pātimokkha* of *Sīlaniddesa* (the explanation on morality) of *Visuddhimagga*, gocara is divided into three types:

²² Verse no. 179. *Yassa jitam nāvajīyati, jitam yassa* no yāti koci loke; *Tam buddhamanantagocaram, apadam kena padena nessatha* [Dhammapada, Buddhavagga, M 40]

Anantagocaranti anantārammaņassa sabbaññutaññāņassa vasena apariyanta gocaram [Dhammapada-atthakathā, M2.129]

Upanissayagocara, which means *kalyāṇamitta*, a good spiritual friend who can help someone to develop morality, concentration and knowledge.

Ārakkhagocara, which means *sati*, mindfulness towards circumstances.

Upanibandhagocara, which means a meditation object, like the four foundations of mindfulness.

Question 2. Animitta

Question: Sankhāra has the sign of anicca, dukkha, anatta. But how can the supramundane path have no signs of anatta? Even Nibbāna has the characteristic of anatta. So how to understand 'atta nimitta'?

Answer: Regarding these three characteristics: *anicca* (impermanence), *dukkha* (unsatisfactoriness) and *anatta* (non-self), most people understand impermanence and unsatisfactoriness, but they do not really understand *anatta*. *Anatta* rejects wrong view of *atta*. Wrong view is called *ditthi* in $P\bar{a}|i$. If one has the *atta* view, one believes "I can control everything. When this life ends, the spirit will search for the next life. The life is forever." Some believe that the soul after one's death is waiting for the God to make a final judgment. They believe that heaven and hell are forever.

Because all *sankhāras* are subject to impermanence and suffering, there is no permanent entity and no theory of soul. So all conditioned things are called *sankhata* while *Nibbāna* is called *asankhata* (unconditioned). All formations have the sign of *anicca*, *dukkha* and *anatta*. The *Nibbāna* has the sign of *nicca*, *sukha*, but there is no *atta* view.

In *Pațisambhidā*, there are 40 aspects of *bhāvanā* (meditation) with the '*to*' suffix like *aniccato*, *dukhato*. Sometimes, instead of '*to*', the word *Paramattha* is used like *pañcānaṃ khandhānam nirodho paramatthāti*. Here, *Nibbāna* is mentioned as *Paramattha*.

In the next verse *Nibbāna* is mentioned as *anatta*. *"Aniccā sabbasankhātā dukkhā anattā ca kevala nibbanam ceva paññātti anattā iti nicchayā.*

Vipassanā, magga, phala and Nibbāna are animitta because of different reasons. Firstly, Vipassanā is said to be animitta because there is no sign of permanence (*nicca-nimitta*). There is no *sukha-nimitta* because of rising and falling. There is no atta-nimitta because of impermanence and unsatisfactoriness. Through anicca, the *nicca-nimitta* is removed; through *asubha*, the removed; through *anatta*, subha-nimitta is the atta-nimitta is removed. So Vipassanā is said to be animitta because of the absence of the sign of nicca, sukha. atta and subha.

Next, ariya magga is also animitta because when

magga appears there is no sign of craving, hatred and delusion. First *magga* has some sign of craving, but the craving for the woeful states is eradicated. Only *arahattamagga* has totally removed $r\bar{a}ga$ (greed), *dosa* (hatred) and *moha* (delusion). Therefore, because of the absence of *kilesa* (defilements) like greed and so on, the noble path is called *animitta-magga*.

As for *Nibbāna*, it is called *animitta* for two reasons. The first reason is that *Nibbāna* is lacking the sign of craving, hatred and delusion. Secondly, it has no sign of *saṅkhāra* because it is an unconditioned phenomenon.

Ledi Sayadaw said that *Nibbāna* is *animitta* because there is no sign that can produce *kilesa* (defilement) and give effect to decay and death (*jarāmaraņa*). (*Kilesānaṃ vatthubhūtassa abhāva*). The ground of *kilesa* is *saṅkhāra*, and the ground of decay and death is the five aggregates. There is no *saṅkhāra* (formations) or five aggregates in *Nibbāna*, so *Nibbāna* is stated as *animitta*.

Question 3. One function

In the Suttanta niddesa; bhāvetiti catasso bhāvanā, there are the first two: Anativattanaṭthena tatha jātānaṃ dhammanaṃ and ekarasaṭthena indriyānaṃ. Are they any different? Here, does this indriyānam refer to only five controlling faculties out of 22 indriya's?

Answer: Ekarasa means ekakicca, same function.

Anativattana means not exceeding each other but performing the same function equally. Like in two oxen dragging a bullock-cart, they carry it together, side by side. Each ox is in line with the other, not one in front and another behind.

Only five faculties are mentioned here. Among the 22, some are material controlling faculties like *cakkhundriya*. So, the faculties refer to five: faith or confidence (*saddhā*), effort (*viriya*), mindfulness (*sati*), concentration (*samādhi*), wisdom (*paññā*). Saddhā should be balanced with *paññā*. Samādhi should be equalized with *viriya*, effort. If *saddhā* is more, one is too believing. If *paññā* is more than *saddhā*, then one is cunning. Samādhi should be balanced with *viriya*, then the mind tends to be lazy. Sati must be developed at all times.

In Dhammapada verse no. 372, it says: Natthi jhānam apañnāssa, pañnā natthi ajhāyato, Yamhi jhānanca pañnā ca, sa ve nibbānasantike. The meaning of "Natthi jhānam apañnāssa" is one who has no knowledge does not get jhāna. Pañnā natthi ajhāyato: One who has no samādhi has no knowledge. In Samatha, samādhi (ekaggatā) is more important. Other factors like vitakka, vicāra, pīti and sukha are just supporting factors.

Samāhito yathābhūtam jānāti passati. One who has samādhi, knows and sees it as it is. The commentary further explained that *ajhāyato* means one who has no

samādhi. "Paññā natthīti ajhāyantassa "samāhito bhikkhu yathābhūtam jānāti passatī" ti vuttalakkhanā paññā natthi."²³ It means one who has no samādhi does not have knowledge.

It means that one should have both *samādhi* (*jhāna*) and *paññā*. This is clearly said by "*Yamhi jhānañca paññā ca, sa ve nibbānasantike*." It means that one who has *jhāna* and *paññā* (knowledge) is in the presence of *Nibbāna*.

Question 4: Sīlabbataparāmāsa

Question: *Sīlabbataparāmāsa* is often translated as rites and rituals and as animal practice. Please explain it.

Answer: I understand rites and rituals as religious ceremonies like praying to Buddha, gods and offering flowers and other things. We have to check the contents of such ceremonies. If praying to Buddha or god is with good wishes, then it is beneficial. However, it is not as beneficial as meditation practice. Just before his *parinibbāna* day, the Buddha said, "To offer flowers and offerings is not the best way to honor the Buddha." To honor him with *Dhamma* practice is the best honor. This statement is recorded in the *Mahāparinibbāna sutta*.

²³ Dhammapada-aṭṭhakathā [M2.375]

This is called *dhammānudhammapaţipatti* and it means practicing the *Dhamma* in accordance to the *Dhamma*. The training of morality, concentration and wisdom that can lead to the supramundane state is the best honor. Nowadays, some religious ceremonies become empty of meaning. However, people just follow them because of culture and traditions.

Question 5. Laziness

The 7th hindrance is laziness. What is the *paramatthadhamma* for laziness? The opposite state is called 'gladness' by Bhikkhu $\tilde{N}\bar{a}$ namoli. As a *paramattha dhamma*, does it refer to *pīti* or *sukha* (*vedanā*)?

Answer: Laziness is not $th\bar{n}a$ -middha, which are unworkable states of the mind. One whose mind is influenced by *akusala cittas* is called a lazy one. For example, the mind has been influenced by the wrong thought of $k\bar{a}mavitakka$ (thought of sensual pleasure), *byāpāda vitakka* (thought of hatred), *vihiṃsavitakka* (thought of cruelty). Laziness is opposite of gladness (*pīti*) and happiness (*sukha*). Where there is *pīti*, there is *sukha*. At fourth *jhāna*, there are two factors i.e. *sukha* and *ekaggatā* but no *pīti*.

Question 6. Ākāra

Solasahi ākārehi samathavipassanam yuganaddham

bhāveti. What are these $\bar{a}k\bar{a}ra's$? Is it a way of practice, characteristic of *Nibbāna*, an aspect? Please explain more on these 16 $\bar{a}k\bar{a}ra's$.

Answer: $\bar{A}k\bar{a}ra$ is not a way of practice. It is the aspect of arising of $sam\bar{a}dhi$ and $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$. When Samatha and $Vipassan\bar{a}$ are working together, it means that $sam\bar{a}dhi$ and $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ are working together; they work on the same object and perform the same function. In gocaratthena (in the sense of gocara), Samatha and Vipassan \bar{a} have nirodha (Nibb $\bar{a}na$) as object. In pah $\bar{a}natthena$ (in the sense of abandoning), sam $\bar{a}dhi$ and pa $\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ abandon both defilements and aggregates. It means that both Samatha and Vipassan \bar{a} have the same functions, their aspects are similar.

Question 7. Samatha and Vipassanā

catukkanipāta, pathamapannāsakam, In rohitassavaggo, samadhibhāvanāsuttam four samadhibhāvanā are given. The last one is: Idha bhikkhu pañcasu upādānakkhandhesu bhikkhave. udayabbayānupassī viharati -iti rupam, iti rupassa samudayo, iti rupassa atthangamo, iti vedanā…iti viññānassa atthangamoti'. Avam, bhikkhave. samādhibhāvanā bhāvitā bahulikatā āsavānam khavāva samvattati. From this, it seems that the development of Vipassanā will invariably lead to the development of samādhi.

On the other hand in *catukkanipāta, dutiya-paņņāsakam, asuravaggo, tatiyasamādhi suttam.* One of the four kinds of persons described is "*Ekacco puggalo lābhī hoti adhipaññādhammavipassanāya, na lābhī ajjhattam cetosamathassa.*" ²⁴ Then this person is advised to approach someone who is "*lābhī ajjhattam cetosamathassa*" and get from him instructions on how to make the mind concentrated. From this can we say that in any case one has to make a conscious effort to turn from development of insight to development of *Samatha.* Can Sayadaw give a comment on this? (as the 2nd method in *Yuganaddha sutta*).

Answer: Samadhi without Vipassanā is possible. But Vipassanā without samādhi is impossible. Before the Buddha's enlightenment in the world, people practiced Samatha only. They gained rūpa jhāna and arūpa jhāna but Vipassanā was unknown to them. The Buddha met two teachers; Ālārakālāma and Uddaka Rāmaputta, they also had deep samādhi without Vipassanā. When the Lord Buddha was enlightened as Sammāsambuddha, he expounded on the practice of Vipassanā.

In the Noble Eightfold Path, right view and right thought belong to the $pa\tilde{n}\tilde{n}a$ (wisdom) group; right effort,

²⁴ Anguttaranikāya, Catukkanipāta [M1.406]

right mindfulness and right concentration belong to the *samādhi* (concentration) group. Without properly developing the Noble Eightfold Path, there is no achievement of the higher path. In fact, *paññā* and *samādhi* need to be developed together. Sometimes, they are called technically as *Samatha* and *Vipassanā*. Sometimes *samādhi* leads or *paññā* leads, or *samādhi* is emphasized or *paññā* is emphasized. In *Vipassanā*, *paññā* leads and *samādhi* follows. In *Samatha*, *samādhi* leads and *paññā* follows. Therefore, without *samādhi*, it is impossible to practice *Vipassanā*.

There were some arahants who were called *paññāvimutta*, they were liberated by *paññā*. They did not obtain *jhāna* and *abhiññā*. So, they had to approach those who had *ajjhattaṃ cetosamathassa*, and to learn from them how to obtain *jhāna*.

Jhāna is called sukhavihāra, dwelling with happiness. It is resting, like sleeping. People who have no jhāna have to sleep to take a rest. When I was young, I read a book mentioning that Venerable Sāriputta did not sleep for 44 years. I could not understand this, because I feel I cannot go without sleep even for a day. When one enters into Jhāna-samāpatti (absorption of jhāna) and phala-samāpatti (absorption of fruition), it is like taking a rest. It is much better than sleep. In sleep, one will dream and get tired. But those in absorption do not dream, so their absorption is like taking a rest. This is called *Ditthadhammasukhavihāra*, peaceful dwelling in the present life. *Arūpa jhāna* is called *santavihāra* (peaceful dwelling) because there is no material body but only mind. So, attainment in *arūpa jhāna* is very peaceful to the meditators.

In conclusion, *Samatha* without *Vipassanā* is possible, but *Vipassanā* needs *samādhi*. Here, *Samatha* and *Vipassanā* work together in the *yuganaddha*. In the Noble Eightfold Path, the five *kāraka* workers (right view, right thought, right effort, right mindfulness, right concentration) have to work harmoniously, so *samādhi* and *paññā* are necessary. Sometimes *samādhi* might lead and *paññā* follows and vice versa. When contemplating on *anicca, dukkha* and *anatta*, then at that moment *paññā* leads.

Sādhu! Sādhu! Sādhu!

Appendix: Pāļi Text of Yuganaddhakathā

[Khuddakanikāya, Paṭisambhidāmaggapāļi, 2.Yuganaddhavagga]

1. Yuganaddhakathā

1. Evam me sutam – ekam samayam āyasmā ānando kosambiyam viharati ghositārāme. Tatra kho āyasmā ānando bhikkhū āmantesi – ''āvuso bhikkhavo '' ti. ''Āvuso '' ti kho te bhikkhū āyasmato ānandassa paccassosum. Āyasmā ānando etadavoca –

"Yo hi koci, āvuso, bhikkhu vā bhikkhunī vā mama santike arahattapattam [arahattam (syā.), arahattapattim a. ni. 4.170] byākaroti, sabbaso catūhi maggehi etesam vā aññatarena. Katamehi catūhi?

" Idhāvuso, bhikkhu samathapubbaṅgamaṃ vipassanaṃ bhāveti. Tassa samathapubbaṅgamaṃ vipassanaṃ bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati. So taṃ maggaṃ āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti [bahuliṃ karoti (ka.) a. ni. 4.170 passitabbā]. Tassa taṃ maggaṃ āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

" Puna caparam, āvuso, bhikkhu

vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāveti. Tassa vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati. So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti. Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

" Puna caparam, āvuso, bhikkhu samathavipassanam yuganaddham [yuganandham (ka. sī. aṭṭha.)] bhāveti. Tassa samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvayato maggo sañjāyati. So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti. Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

" Puna caparam, āvuso, bhikkhuno

dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti. So, āvuso, samayo yam tam cittam ajjhattameva [ajjhattaññeva (syā. ka.)] santiṭṭhati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyati. So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti. Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. "Yo hi koci, āvuso, bhikkhu vā bhikkhunī vā mama santike arahattapattam byākaroti, sabbaso imehi catūhi maggehi, etesam vā aññatarenā" ti.

1. Suttantaniddeso

2. Katham samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāveti? Nekkhammavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. Tattha jāte dhamme aniccato anupassanatthena vipassanā, dukkhato anupassanatthena vipassanā, anattato anupassanatthena vipassanā. Iti paṭhamam samatho, pacchā vipassanā. Tena vuccati –

" samathapubbangamam vipassanam bhāvetī" ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – tattha jātānam dhammānam anativattanatthena bhāvanā, indriyānam ekarasatthena bhāvanā, tadupagavīriyavāhanatthena bhāvanā, āsevanatthena bhāvanā.

Maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati? Dassanatthena sammāditthi maggo sañjāyati, abhiniropanatthena sammāsankappo maggo sañjāyati, pariggahatthena sammāvācā maggo sañjāyati, samutthānatthena sammākammanto maggo sañjāyati, vodānatthena sammāājīvo maggo sañjāyati, paggahatthena sammāvāyāmo maggo sañjāyati, upatthānatthena sammāsati maggo sañjāyati, avikkhepatthena sammāsamādhi maggo sañjāyati – evam maggo sañjāyati.

So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti āsevatīti katham āsevati? Āvajjanto āsevati, jānanto āsevati, passanto āsevati, paccavekkhanto āsevati, cittam adhiṭṭhahanto āsevati, saddhāya adhimuccanto āsevati, vīriyam pagganhanto āsevati, satim upaṭṭhāpento āsevati, cittam samādahanto āsevati, paññāya pajānanto āsevati, abhiññeyyam abhijānanto āsevati, pariññeyyam parijānanto āsevati, pahātabbam pajahanto āsevati, bhāvetabbam bhāvento āsevati, sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto āsevati – evam āsevati.

Bhāvetīti katham bhāveti? Āvajjanto bhāveti, jānanto bhāveti, passanto bhāveti, paccavekkhanto bhāveti, cittam adhiṭṭhahanto bhāveti, saddhāya adhimuccanto bhāveti, vīriyam pagganhanto bhāveti, satim upaṭṭhāpento bhāveti, cittam samādahanto bhāveti, paññāya pajānanto bhāveti, abhiññeyyam abhijānanto bhāveti, pariññeyyam parijānanto bhāveti, pahātabbam pajahanto bhāveti, bhāvetabbam bhāvento bhāveti, sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bhāveti – evam bhāveti.

Bahulīkarotīti katham bahulīkaroti? Āvajjanto bahulīkaroti, jānanto bahulīkaroti, passanto bahulīkaroti, paccavekkhanto bahulīkaroti, cittam adhitthahanto bahulīkaroti, saddhāya adhimuccanto bahulīkaroti, vīriyam paggaņhanto bahulīkaroti, satim upatthāpento bahulīkaroti, cittam samādahanto bahulīkaroti, pañināya pajānanto bahulīkaroti, abhinneyyam abhijānanto bahulīkaroti, parinneyyam parijānanto bahulīkaroti, pahātabbam pajahanto bahulīkaroti, bhāvetabbam bhāvento bahulīkaroti, sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bahulīkaroti – evam bahulīkaroti.

Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti anusayā byantīhontīti katham saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti? Sotāpattimaggena, sakkāyaditthi, vicikicchā, sīlabbataparāmāso – imāni tīņi saññojanāni pahīyanti; ditthānusayo, vicikicchānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. Sakadāgāmimaggena oļārikam kāmarāgasaññojanam, patighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti; oļāriko kāmarāgānusayo, pațighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti.

Anāgāmimaggena anusahagatam kāmarāgasaññojanam, paṭighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti; anusahagato kāmarāgānusayo, paṭighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. Arahattamaggena rūparāgo, arūparāgo, māno, uddhaccam, avijjā – imāni pañca saññojanāni pahīyanti; mānānusayo, bhavarāgānusayo, avijjānusayo – ime tayo anusayā byantīhonti. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

3. Abyāpādavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi...pe... ālokasaññāvasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi...pe... paṭinissaggānupassī assāsavasena paṭinissaggānupassī passāsavasena cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. Tattha jāte dhamme aniccato anupassanaṭṭhena vipassanā, dukkhato anupassanaṭṭhena vipassanā, anattato anupassanaṭṭhena vipassanā. Iti paṭhamaṃ samatho, pacchā vipassanā. Tena vuccati – '' samathapubbaṅgamaṃ vipassanaṃ bhāvetī '' ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – tattha jātānaṃ dhammānaṃ anativattanaṭṭhena bhāvanā, indriyānaṃ ekarasaṭṭhena bhāvanā, tadupagavīriyavāhanaṭṭhena bhāvanā, āsevanaṭṭhena bhāvanā. Maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati? Dassanatthena sammāditthi maggo sañjāyati, abhiniropanatthena sammāsankappo maggo sañjāyati...pe... avikkhepatthena sammāsamādhi maggo sañjāyati. Evam maggo sañjāyati.

So tam maggam āsevati bhāveti bahulīkaroti āsevatīti katham āsevati? Āvajjanto āsevati...pe... sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto āsevati, evam āsevati. Bhāvetīti katham bhāveti? Āvajjanto bhāveti, jānanto bhāveti...pe... sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bhāveti, evam bhāveti. Bahulīkarotīti katham bahulīkaroti? Āvajjanto bahulīkaroti, jānanto bahulīkaroti...pe... sacchikātabbam sacchikaronto bahulīkaroti, evam bahulīkaroti.

Tassa tam maggam āsevato bhāvayato bahulīkaroto saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhontīti katham saññojanā pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti? Sotāpattimaggena sakkāyaditthi vicikicchā sīlabbataparāmāso – imāni tīņi saññojanāni pahīyanti; ditthānusayo, vicikicchānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. Sakadāgāmimaggena oļārikam kāmarāgasaññojanam, patighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti; oļāriko kāmarāgānusayo paṭighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. Anāgāmimaggena anusahagatam kāmarāgasaññojanam, paṭighasaññojanam – imāni dve saññojanāni pahīyanti; anusahagato kāmarāgānusayo, paṭighānusayo – ime dve anusayā byantīhonti. Arahattamaggena rūparāgo, arūparāgo, māno, uddhaccam, avijjā – imāni pañca saññojanāni pahīyanti; mānānusayo, bhavarāgānusayo, avijjānusayo – ime tayo anusayā byantīhonti. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam

4. Katham vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāveti? Aniccato anupassanaţihena vipassanā, dukkhato anupassanaţihena vipassanā, anattato anupassanaţihena vipassanā. Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammaņatā [vossaggārammaņatā (syā. ka.)] cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo. Samādhi iti paţhamam vipassanā, pacchā samatho. Tena vuccati – '' vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāvetī '' ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanaţihena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam sañňojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Rūpam aniccato anupassanatthena vipassanā, rūpam dukkhato anupassanatthena vipassanā, rūpam anattato anupassanatthena vipassanā. Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammaņatā cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. Iti pathamam vipassanā, pacchā samatho. Tena vuccati – '' vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāvetī '' ti.

Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanaṭṭhena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

Vedanam...pe... sañňam ... sankhāre... viññānam... cakkhum...pe... jarāmaranam aniccato anupassanaţthena vipassanā, jarāmaranam dukkhato...pe... anattato anupassanaţthena vipassanā. Tattha jātānam dhammānañca vosaggārammanatā cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi. Iti pathamam vipassanā, pacchā samatho. Tena vuccati – '' vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāvetī '' ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanaţthena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyatī. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam vipassanāpubbangamam samatham bhāveti. 5. Katham samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Solasahi ākārehi samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti. Ārammaņaṭṭhena gocaraṭṭhena pahānaṭṭhena pariccāgaṭṭhena vuṭṭhānaṭṭhena vivaṭṭanaṭṭhena santaṭṭhena paņītaṭṭhena vimuttaṭṭhena anāsavaṭṭhena taraṇaṭṭhena animittaṭṭhena appaṇihitaṭṭhena suññataṭṭhena ekarasaṭṭhena anativattanaṭṭhena yuganaddhaṭṭhena.

Katham ārammaņatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhārammaņo, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā nirodhārammaņā. Iti ārammaņatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, añňamañňam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' ārammaņatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā – āsevanatthena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāyatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam sañňojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam ārammaņatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti. Katham gocaraţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanaţthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti gocaraţthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' gocaraţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham pahānaţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pajahato anupassanaţthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti pahānaţthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' pahānaţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham pariccāgatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pariccajato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca pariccajato anupassanatthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti pariccāgatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' pariccāgatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham vuţthānaţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vuţthahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjāsahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vuţthahato anupassanaţthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti vuţthānaţthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' vuţthānaţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham vivattanatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vivattato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjāsahagatakilesehi ca khandhehi ca vivattato anupassanatthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti vivattanatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' vivattanatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti. Katham santatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi santo honti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā santā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti santatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' santatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham panītatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi panīto hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā panītā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti panītatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' panītatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham vimuttaţthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi kāmāsavā vimutto hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanaţthena vipassanā avijjāsavā vimuttā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti rāgavirāgā cetovimutti avijjāvirāgā paññā vimuttaţţhena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' vimuttaţţhena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham anāsavatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi kāmāsavena anāsavo hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā avijjāsavena anāsavā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti anāsavatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, añňamañňam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' anāsavatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham taranatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccasahagatakilese ca khandhe ca tarato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi nirodhagocaro, avijjāsahagatakilese ca khandhe ca tarato anupassanatthena vipassanā nirodhagocarā. Iti taranatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' taraṇaṭṭhena samathavipassanaṃ yuganaddhaṃ bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham animittaţţhena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbanimittehi animitto hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanaţţhena vipassanā sabbanimittehi animittā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti animittaţţhena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' animittaţţhena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham appanihitatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbapanidhīhi appanihito hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā sabbapanidhīhi appanihitā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti appanihitatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati – '' appanihitatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī '' ti.

Katham suññatatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti? Uddhaccam pajahato cittassa ekaggatā avikkhepo samādhi sabbābhinivesehi suñño hoti nirodhagocaro, avijjam pajahato anupassanatthena vipassanā sabbābhinivesehi suññā hoti nirodhagocarā. Iti suññatatthena samathavipassanā ekarasā honti, yuganaddhā honti, aññamaññam nātivattantīti. Tena vuccati - " suññatatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāvetī " ti. Bhāvetīti catasso bhāvanā āsevanatthena bhāvanā...pe... maggo sañjāvatīti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam suññatatthena samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti. Imehi solasahi ākārehi samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti, evam samathavipassanam yuganaddham bhāveti.

Suttantaniddeso.

2. Dhammuddhaccavāraniddeso

6. Katham dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti? Aniccato manasikaroto obhāso uppajjati, obhāso dhammoti obhāsam āvajjati, tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso aniccato upaţthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, dukkhato upaţthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, anattato upaţthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti.

Tena vuccati – '' dhammuddhaccaviggahitamānaso hoti so samayo, yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyatī '' ti katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati, evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

Aniccato manasikaroto ñāṇaṃ uppajjati, pīti uppajjati, passaddhi uppajjati, sukhaṃ uppajjati, adhimokkho uppajjati, paggaho uppajjati, upaṭṭhānaṃ uppajjati, upekkhā uppajjati, nikanti uppajjati, ' nikanti dhammo ' ti nikantiṃ āvajjati.

Tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso aniccato upaṭṭhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, dukkhato upaṭṭhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, anattato upaṭṭhānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti. Tena vuccati —

" dhammuddhaccaviggahitamānaso hoti so samayo, yam

tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyatī '' ti. Katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati, evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti.

Dukkhato manasikaroto...pe... anattato manasikaroto obhāso uppajjati...pe... ñāṇaṃ uppajjati, pīti uppajjati, passaddhi uppajjati, sukhaṃ uppajjati, adhimokkho uppajjati, paggaho uppajjati, upatṭhānaṃ uppajjati, upekkhā uppajjati, nikanti uppajjati, ' nikanti dhammo ' ti nikantiṃ āvajjati. Tato vikkhepo uddhaccaṃ. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso anattato upaṭṭhānaṃ, aniccato upaṭṭhānaṃ, dukkhato upaṭṭhānaṃ yathābhūtaṃ nappajānāti. Tena vuccati –

" dhammuddhaccaviggahitamānaso...pe... evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti ".

Rūpam aniccato manasikaroto...pe... rūpam dukkhato manasikaroto... rūpam anattato manasikaroto... vedanam...pe... sañňam... saňkhāre... viññāṇam... cakkhum...pe... jarāmaraṇam aniccato manasikaroto...pe... jarāmaraṇam dukkhato manasikaroto, jarāmaraṇam anattato manasikaroto obhāso uppajjati...pe... ñāṇam uppajjati, pīti uppajjati, passaddhi uppajjati, sukham uppajjati, adhimokkho uppajjati, paggaho uppajjati, upatthānam uppajjati, upekkhā uppajjati, nikanti uppajjati, ' nikanti dhammo ' ti nikantim āvajjati. Tato vikkhepo uddhaccam. Tena uddhaccena viggahitamānaso. Jarāmaraņam anattato upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti. Jarāmaraņam aniccato upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti, jarāmaraṇam dukkhato upatthānam yathābhūtam nappajānāti. Tena vuccati —

" dhammuddhaccaviggahitamānaso hoti. So samayo, yam tam cittam ajjhattameva santitthati sannisīdati ekodi hoti samādhiyati. Tassa maggo sañjāyatī " ti. Katham maggo sañjāyati...pe... evam maggo sañjāyati. Evam saññojanāni pahīyanti, anusayā byantīhonti. Evam dhammuddhaccaviggahitam mānasam hoti.

7.

Obhāse ceva ñāņe ca, pītiyā ca vikampati; Passaddhiyā sukhe ceva, yehi cittam pavedhati. Adhimokkhe ca paggāhe, upaṭṭhāne ca kampati; Upekkhāvajjanāya ceva, upekkhāya ca nikantiyā. Imāni dasa ṭhānāni, paññā yassa pariccitā; Dhammuddhaccakusalo hoti, na ca sammoha gacchati. Vikkhipati ceva kilissati ca, cavati cittabhāvanā; Vikkhipati na kilissati, bhāvanā parihāyati. Vikkhipati na kilissati, bhāvanā na parihāyati; Na ca vikkhipate cittam na kilissati, na cavati cittabhāvanā.

Imehi catūhi thānehi cittassa sankhepavikkhepaviggahitam [sankhepam vikkhepam viggahitam (syā.)] dasa thāne sampajānātīti.

Yuganaddhakathā nitthitā.