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Lord Śiva Saves the Universe

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Synopsis.

The Supreme Personality of Godhead, appearing in His incarnation as a tortoise, dove deep into the ocean to carry Mandara Mountain on His back. At first the churning of the ocean produced *kālakūṭa* poison. Everyone feared this poison, but Lord Śiva satisfied them by drinking it.

With the understanding that when the nectar was generated from the churning they would share it equally, the demigods and the demons brought Vāsuki to be used as the rope for the churning rod. By the expert arrangement of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, the demons held the snake near the mouth, whereas the demigods held the tail of the great snake.

Then, with great endeavor, they began pulling the snake in both directions. Because the churning rod, Mandara Mountain, was very heavy and was not held by any support in the water, it sank into the ocean, and in this way the prowess of both the demons and the demigods was vanquished. The Supreme Personality of Godhead then appeared in the form of a tortoise and supported Mandara Mountain on His back. Then the churning resumed with great force.

As a result of the churning, a huge amount of poison was produced. The *prajāpatis*, seeing no one else to save them, approached Lord Śiva and offered him prayers full of truth. Lord Śiva is called *Āśutoṣa* because he is very pleased if one is a devotee. Therefore he easily agreed to drink all the poison generated by the churning. The goddess Durgā, Bhavānī, the wife of Lord Śiva, was not at all disturbed when Lord Śiva agreed to drink the poison, for she knew Lord Śiva's prowess. Indeed, she expressed her pleasure at this agreement. Then Lord Śiva gathered the devastating poison, which was everywhere. He took it in his hand and drank it. After he drank the poison, his neck became bluish. A small quantity of the poison dropped from his hands to the ground, and it is because of this poison that there are poisonous snakes, scorpions, toxic plants and other poisonous things in this world.

PART 1

Scene 1:

Pangalangkara: Pangaksaman ingsun ripadanira paduka hyang mami, apan wani amaparaken kunang carita matemahaken purana tattwa.

This story is adapted from the book Srimad Bhagavatam canto 8 chapter 7 entitled Lord Siva Saves The Universe by Drinking Poison which tells about the existence of the gods

and demigods (Asuras) who want to have an eternal life.

One day in Satya Yuga, the asuras and gods plan to take tirtha Amertha in the middle of the Ksirarnawa ocean. This leads to an agreement between the gods and the Asuras.

Scene 2

Dialogue between Indra and Rawu

Rawu: "Hey! You Lord Indra, why did you invite me and my people to come here to meet you? Is there something you want to tell? Be quick I don't have much time to listen to your speech!"

Indra: "Dear everyone, I invited all of you here because I heard about the existence of Tirtha Amertha that is deep down in the Ksirarnawa ocean. This is the reason I invited all of you to help me to get it. Will you help me?"

Rawu: "HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA!!!! If that is the case, the Asuras and I are willing to help you. However, with one condition. We must get an equal share and the tirtha must be divided equally!"

Indra: "Fine Rawu, if that's your wish. Sang Hyang Basuki is willing to be the binder of Mount Mandara. Who wants to handle Dragon Basuki's head?"

Rawu : "Of course, the gods will handle it. We will take the tail part.

Indra: "Very well. As a foundation of Mount Mandara, Lord Vishnu will transform Himself into Kurma the turtle , then I will do meditation on the top of Mount Mandara to balance it.

Rawu: "HAHAHAHA! Okay then, let's speed up the movement to find that Tirtha!"

Scene 3

NARRATIVE

The gods and asuras departed for Ksirarnawa with the agreement of the Asuras and the gods which was discussed earlier.

PART 2:

Scene 1

NARRATIVE

After the gods and asuras left, at Mount Kailash, Lord Siva was worried. He was thinking about the possibility of asura got the tirtha and somehow a great war will happen in the future between asura and gods, the asura will then easily win.

Scene 2

Parvati and Siva dialogue

Parvati: "My dear Lord Siva, my beloved husband, why do you look so worried today?" What is bothering you so much, my love?

Siva : "My dear Parvati, please come here, sweetheart.

I am thinking of the possibility in the future. Can you imagine if the asuras get the tirtha Amerta in Ksirarnawa, and after that a big war between gods and asura happens.

Parvati: What will happen then, my beloved husband?

Siva: The gods will lose and the asuras will win. That's the reason I feel restless and worried."

Parvati: "my dear husband, don't worry, every problem has its own solution. Let's discuss about it when the tirtha appears.

Siva: Alright, my beautiful Parvati, I trust you that you will be with me to get the way out.

Parvati: Yes, my Lord, I will.

***Dialogue is interrupted**

Scene 3

NARRATIVE

Then, at Ksirarnawa, the gods and Asuras help each to get tirtha Amertha joyfully. They laugh and work happily together.

After shaking the mountain for a while, suddenly a horse named Oncersrawa appeared from the ocean.

Scene 4

NARRATIVE

After Oncersrawa appeared, a bad smell came out. The gods and asuras were unable to resist the smell, Sang Hyang Kuwera was asked to seek help from Lord Siva.

DIALOGUE

Kuwera: "Oh my Lord Siva, we humbly worship You. Please help us, free us from this stinking poison.

Siva: "Very well Kuwera, I will take care of you."

NARRATIVE

Siva then descended into the sea of Ksirarnava and drank the hala hala poison.

From that moment, Lord Siva was known as Nilakanta, which means someone with a purple neck. Lord Siva drank the poison up to his throat and his neck turned into dark blue in colour.

PART 3

Scene 1

Dialogue

Parvati: "Oh my Lord Vishnu, please transform yourself into a woman to take the tirtha from the asuras.

Vishnu: "Dear Parvati. Very well, I will descend to the world as Mohini"

Scene 2

NARRATIVE

Lord Visnu/ Sang Hyang Vishnu descended to Ksirarnawa, turning himself into a very beautiful attractive woman. The Asuras and the gods were infatuated with the beauty of Goddess Mohini. Instantly Dewi Mohini was able to take the Tirtha Amerta from the Asuras and the gods.

The Dialogue of Moheni and ashuras

Moheni appears full of magnificent spark and beauty in her face to affect the Ashura with her trick power in order to take the Tirta Amrita from the Ashuras for handing over to the Gods.

Moheni : " Oh the mighty Kanda Ashura, don't you want to hold a celebration before drink the eternity that you have been wanting so long ?"

Ashura: " Oh dear beautiful lady, who are you? and what are you doing here ?"

Moheni : "Let me introduce myself, Oh Kanda Ashura. I am Moheni , I come to serve and help you to make sure the Tirta Amrita is equally drunk by all of you."

Ashura : "Ha ha ha (laughs), It's very kind of you, my beautiful Mohini. Well, how can we refuse if there is a beautiful lady like you want to serve us.

Moheni : " I am so delighted to hear that, Kanda Ashura. Well then, let us start the celebration."

The ashuras are cheated by Mohini. Mohini then brings the tirta to the gods. Mohini then tursn herself into Lord Visnu.

The End