

**LAṅKĀYA PĀLIPAṆḌICCASSA LOKAPATTHARAṆAṀ:  
LONDON PĀLIGANTHA SAMITIYĀ SADDHIṀ POLVATTE  
BUDDHADATTA MAHĀTTHERASSA TIṀSAVASSA  
SAMBANDHATĀ**

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**Uddeso**

Paṭhana pāṭhana uggahaṇa dhāraṇādi catubbidhapaṇḍiccakoṭṭippattā Laṅkāvāsī bhikkhū atītato paṭṭhāya yāvajjatanā Pālibhāsaṃ dīpantaresu pattharāputuṃ ussaḥiṃsu ceva ussahanti ca. Aggamahāpaṇḍitopadhārī Polvatte Buddhadatto mahātthero gatasamvacchare attano pālibhāsāpaṇḍiccaṃ imasmiṃ loke pattharirūṃ tiṃsavassaṃ Āṅgaladesa London nagare Pāligantha Samitiyā saddhiṃ pasatthataṃ atibhāriyaṃ kiccamaḥkari.

**Pariyesanapañho ca Ajjhāsayo ca**

Laṅkāvāsīnaṃ bhikkhūnaṃ pālibhāsāññaṃ aparadesesu'pi pattharaṇatthāya Polvattagāmajo Buddhadatta mahātthero kīdisussāhamakarīti pariyesituṃ ahametthamussahiṃ. Tasmā tamettha mamādhippāyo'ti daṭṭhabbaṃ.

**Kamavedo**

Imasmiṃ pariyesane itihāsagātāni kāraṇāni sammā sallakkhetvā viggahamukhena punappunaṃ suṭṭhūpaparikkhitaṇi. Taṃ sandhāya Sīhala-Āṅgalyādi bhāsāhi racita ganthaparisiṅganakiccaṃ kataṃ.

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## Sākacchā

Siri Laṅkikā samānā sabbe mayaṃ Pālibhāsaṃ saṃvoharīyāma Buddhassa bhagavato anugāmikā sāvakaṃ samānā gahaṭṭhā pabbajitā ca. Arahato Mahāmahindattherassa āgamanato paccā Laṅkāḍīpavāsikā Māgadhi saṅkhātaṃ Pālibhāsaṃ pariyāpuṇiṃsu yāya Sāṭṭhakathātepiṭkaṃ likhitapubbaṃ. Tathā tāyo Māgadhabhāsāmayā Aṭṭhakathāyo Sīhaḷabhāsāya'pi ṭhapesuṃ dīpavāsīnamatthāya. Kittuvassappamaṇato pañcame vohārasatavasse Āyasmā Buddhaghosatthero Laṅkāḍīpamāgama tāyo Sīhaḷaṭṭhakathāyo punapi Pālibhāsāya ṭhapitā dīpantaravāsīnamatthāya. Tasmīṃ samaye imā Pālibhāsā dīpantarabhāsā vasaṇā sambhavitā. Na tu kevalaṃ tato pacchā'pi Siri Laṅkikā Bhārata-Maramma-Siyāmādi desehi saddhiṃ Pālibhāsāya eva sannivedanakiccamakarīṃsu.

Aṭṭhādasame satavasse paṇḍitā sīhaḷattheravarā aparadesavāsīhi saddhiṃ Pālibhāsāya unnatiyā ussāhamakarīṃsu. R.C. Childers, Rhys Davids nāma dve Āṅgalījātikā Yātrāmulle Siri Dhammāramattherato Pālibhāsaṃ pariyāpuṇitvā Āṅgalīdese taṃ pattharituṃ yathābalaṃ ussaḥiṃsu. Childers paṇḍito paṭhamatarameva Pali-Āṅgalī Saddakosaṃ sampādesi. Rhys Davids Paṇḍito Laṅkāvāsīnaṃ therānaṃ madupakārena Āṅgalīdese London nāma nagare 'Pālighatha Samāgama'iccabhidhānaṃ ekaṃ samitiṃ patīṭṭhapetvā Paliganthamuddāpaṇe ussukka ahoḥi. Tasmīṃ evaṃ kayiramāne imasmīṃ Laṅkāḍīpe Vassakhaggagāṃjo Subhūti mahātthero mahadussāhena anusāsento Laṅkāḍīpikānaṃ pālipaṇḍiccaṃ lokepattharituṃ samattho ahoḥi.

Tato pacchā Maramma-raṭṭhato Aggamahāpaṇḍita nāma gāravopādhiṃ laddho paṭhamo Laṅkāvāsī samāno Polvatte Buddhadatto nāma māhātthero tiṃsavassaṃ attano pālibhāsāpaṇḍiccaṃ tāya Pāligantha Samitiyā kiccakiriyesu sampayojesi.

Palighatha Samitimārabbha tassa mahāttherassa mahāsevā teneva mahāttherena attano sayam likhita apadāne suṭṭhu sandassitāthi. Tathā Ānanda W.P. Guruge nāma paṇḍitassa ‘From the Living Fountains of Buddhism’ nāma ganthe ca. Imasmiṃ pariyesane te dvē gathā atisayena samavalokitā. Etihāsika ajjhayana-kamavedaṃ sunissāya katā esā pariyesanā’ti veditabbā.

Eso mahātthero Laṅkāya dakkhiṇadisābhāge Ambalangoda padese Polvatta nāma gāme uppanno jātiyā dasadvādasavasso samāno sambuddhasāsane pabbajitvā attano ācariyānaṃ Pālibhāsaṅca Tepiṭakadhammaṅca sammā uggaṇhi. Daharova samāno so āyasmā Maramma-raṭṭhaṃ gantvā tatha mahāpaṇḍitehi therehi ca sātṭhakathaṃ Tepiṭakaṅca Māgadhiḃyākaraṅca pariyāpuṇi. Tattheva laddhūpasampanno ahoṣi. Puna Laṅkādiḃpamāgama attano pālibhāsāpaṇḍiccaṃ pākāṭikaronto pālighantha sodhane ca parivattane ca niyutto ahoṣi. Tasmim̃ samaye London Pālighantha samitiyā padhānabhuatā sirimatī Rhys Davids nāma mahāpaṇḍavantiyā ca tāya pacchā tatha padhānattamāpannāya I.B. Horner nāma dhīmatiyā saddhiṅca lekhaṇa pesanavasena anekesu kiccakiriyesu byāvaṭo.

Eso mahāpaṇḍito Anuruddhācariyassa Nāmarūpaparicchedaṅca Buddhadattācariyassa Abhidhammāvatāraṅca Rūpārūpavibhāgaṅca Sammohavinodanī Aṭṭhakathā ceva Vinayavinicchaya Uttaravinicchayadvayaṅca Saddhammapajjotikā nāma Niddesaṭṭhakathā ca pamadalekhādi dose saṃsodhetvā Pālighantha Samitiyā muddāpesi. Natu kevalaṃ Laṅkā-Maramma raṭṭhesu catupaṅcavīsatiḃpamāṇā potthakā tena muddāpitā.

## Upasaṃhāro

Tasmā tassa Buddhadatta mahāttherassa pālibhāsāpaṇḍiccaṃ nissāya desadesantaresu Laṅkāvēsīnaṃ theravarānaṃ sukittirāvaṃ abbhuggatanti veditabbaṃ. Tasmim̄ kāle London Pāligantha Samitiyā bahupaṇḍitā Buddhadatta mahāttherassa upakāreṇeva pāliganthasaṃsodhanādi sabbakiccāni akarim̄su. Apitu imasmim̄ kāle tāya samitiyā kevalaniyojanamattampi dhāretuṃ Laṅkāvēsī bhikkhū asamattā viharanti.

**Pamukhāpadā:** Pāligantha samiti, Buddhadatta, Laṅkāḍīpa, Rhys Davids

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