

## Exploring the Ancient Path in the Buddha's Own Words Lesson 3.5.5



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### Potaliyasuttaṃ

Bhagavā etadavoca – “Aṭṭha kho ime, gahapati, dhammā ariyassa vinaye vohārasamucchedāya saṃvattanti. Katame aṭṭha? Apāṇātipātaṃ nissāya pāṇātipāto pahātabbo; dinnādānaṃ nissāya adinnādānaṃ pahātabbaṃ; saccavācaṃ nissāya musāvādo pahātabbo; apisuṇaṃ vācaṃ nissāya pisuṇā vācā pahātabbā; agiddhiloḥḥaṃ nissāya giddhiloḥḥo pahātabbo; anindāroṣaṃ nissāya nindāroṣo pahātabbo; akkodhūpāyāsaṃ nissāya kodhūpāyāso pahātabbo; anatimānaṃ nissāya atimāno pahātabbo. Ime kho, gahapati, aṭṭha dhammā saṃkhittena vuttā, vitthārena avibhattā, ariyassa vinaye vohārasamucchedāya saṃvattanti”ti. “Ye me, bhante, bhagavatā aṭṭha dhammā saṃkhittena vuttā, vitthārena avibhattā, ariyassa vinaye vohārasamucchedāya saṃvattanti, sādhu me, bhante, bhagavā ime aṭṭha dhamme vitthārena vibhajatu anukampaṃ upādāyā”ti. “Tena hi, gahapati, suṇāhi, sādhuḥkaṃ manasi karohi, bhāsissāmī”ti. “Evaṃ, bhante”ti kho potaliyo gahapati bhagavato paccassosi.

Bhagavā etadavoca – “Apāṇātipātaṃ nissāya pāṇātipāto pahātabbo”ti iti kho panetaṃ vuttaṃ kiñcetaṃ paṭicca vuttaṃ? Idha, gahapati, ariyasāvako iti paṭisañcikkhati – ‘yesaṃ kho ahaṃ saṃyojanānaṃ hetu pāṇātipātī assaṃ, tesāhaṃ saṃyojanānaṃ pahānāya samucchedāya paṭipanno. Ahañceva kho pana pāṇātipātī assaṃ, attāpi maṃ upavadeyya pāṇātipātapaccayā, anuviccāpi maṃ viññū garaheyyuṃ pāṇātipātapaccayā, kāyassa bhedā paraṃ maraṇā duggati pāṭikaṅkhā pāṇātipātapaccayā. Etadeva kho pana saṃyojanaṃ etaṃ nīvaraṇaṃ yadidaṃ pāṇātipāto. Ye ca pāṇātipātapaccayā uppajjeyyuṃ āsavā vighātapariḷhā, pāṇātipātā paṭiviratassa evaṃsa te āsavā vighātapariḷhā na honti’. ‘Apāṇātipātaṃ nissāya pāṇātipāto pahātabbo’ti – iti yantaṃ vuttaṃ idametaṃ paṭicca

vuttam.

Dinnādānaṃ nissāya adinnādānaṃ pahātabba’nti iti kho panetaṃ vuttam, kiñcetaṃ paṭicca vuttam? Idha, gahapati, ariyasāvako iti paṭisañcikkhati – ‘yesaṃ kho ahaṃ saṃyojanānaṃ hetu adinnādāyī assaṃ, tesāhaṃ saṃyojanānaṃ pahānāya samucchēdāya paṭipanno. Ahañceva kho pana adinnādāyī assaṃ, attāpi maṃ upavadeyya adinnādānapaccayā, anuviccāpi maṃ viññū garaheyyuṃ adinnādānapaccayā, kāyassa bhedā paraṃ maraṇā duggati pāṭikañkhā adinnādānapaccayā. Etadeva kho pana saṃyojanaṃ etaṃ nīvaraṇaṃ yadidaṃ adinnādānaṃ. Ye ca adinnādānapaccayā uppajjeyyūṃ āsavā vighātapariḷāhā adinnādānā paṭiviratassa evaṃsa te āsavā vighātapariḷāhā na honti’. ‘Dinnādānaṃ nissāya adinnādānaṃ pahātabba’nti – iti yantaṃ vuttam idametaṃ paṭicca vuttam.

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agiddhilobhaṃ	a + giddhi(pp.) + lobha	not + greedy + covetousness
ahañceva	ahaṃ + ca + eva	I + and + thus
akkodhūpāyāsaṃ	a + k + kodha + upāyāsa	not + anger + despair
anati mānaṃ	an + atimāna	not + arrogance, conceit,
anindārosam	a + nindā + a + rosa	not + blame, rebuke + not + anger,
wrath		
anuviccāpi	anuvijjati (ger.) + api	come to know; find out + also
assaṃ	atthi (1 <sup>st</sup> . sg. pot.)	if I was to
attāpi	attā + api	self + also, even
avibhattā	a + vibhattā	not + detailed
garaheyyuṃ	garahati (3 <sup>rd</sup> . pl. opt.)	censure, reproach
nissāya		dependent upon, by, on account of
paṭiviratassa	paṭivirata (gen.)	abstaining, rejecting
upavadeyya	upavadati (3 <sup>rd</sup> . pl. opt.)	blame
vighātapariḷāhā	vighāta + pariḷāhā	annoyance, distress + fever, grief
vitthārena	(instr.)	explanation, detail
vohārasamucchēdāya	vohāra + samucchēdo(dat.)	business, trade + giving up,
abolishing		