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Swabhavik Chesta Explanation Pad 7 - 8

PAD 7

Nitya nitya nautam re, lila kare hari ray;

Gata sunta re, hari jan raji thay

1

All the time our Lord, the king of all kings, does new exploits that the saints and devotees cherish as having never seen such before. Saints forward these acts in form of discourses to other people, or enshrine the acts in form of songs, for all devotees to happily sing or listen to.

Sahaj swabhave re, utavla bahu chale;

Het kari ne re, bolave bahu vahle

2

He has a natural habit of walking briskly. He would dearly beckon those walking along with Him to walk faster and catch up.

Kyarek ghode re, chadvu hoy tyare;

Kyarek sant ne re, pirasva padhare

3

When He wishes to saddle a horse, or when He would come to the saints' dining halls to serve them.........

Tyare dabe re, khabhe khes ne ani;

Khesh ne bandhe re, ked sangathe tani

.....He would hang His scarf over His left shoulder and tie it tightly from the right onto His waist.

Pirse ladu re, jalebi Ghanshyam;

Janas jamya ni re, lai lai tena naam

5

He would serve ladoos and jalebis in the dining lanes, and would walk around calling out the name of the item He serves for all to hear and request for a top-up.

Fare pangat ma re, varam var Maharaj;

Sant harijan ne re, pirasva ne kaj;

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He would move around many times in the dining lanes to ensure He serves and satisfies all the saints and devotees.

Shraddha bhakti re, ati ghani pirasta;

Koi na mukh ma re, ape ladu hasta

He would even playfully place ladoos in the mouths of someone. What He is serving may seem like food to the ordinary folk, but He is in effect serving the lanes with blessings to undertake true faith and devotion.

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8

Pachhli ratri re, char ghadi rahe jyare;

Datan karva re, uthe hari te vare

When the last four sessions of the night remain (early morning), He would wake up early to brush His teeth using a fresh twig cut from thorn or neem trees.

Nahva bese re, Nath palanthi vari;

Kar lai kalshyo re, jal dhole van mali

Our Lord would thereafter sit cross-legged and take a pitcher full of water and pour it over His head.

Kore vastre re, kari sharir ne luve;

Premanand kahe re, hari jan sarve juve 10

He would then take a dry piece of cloth and wipe His body. All devotees would gather to have darshan of this divine sight of the Lord taking a bath.

PAD 8

Ruda shobhe re, nahi ne ubha hoy;

Vastra paherelu re, sathal vache nichove 1

He would look adorable, standing majestically after the bath. He would change into a white, soft and dry dhoti, and wring the wet dhoti between His thighs to remove the water.

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Pag sathal ne re, luhi ne sarang pani;

Kora khes ne re, pahere sari pethe tani 2

He would wipe His thighs and legs with the dhoti and then adorn a long, dry scarf as an upper garment, wearing it tightly.

Odhi uparni re, reshmi kor ni vahle;

Ave jamva re, chakhadiye chadhi chale 3

He would wear a shawl having silk borders on top of His body, and wear wooden sandals, and come for a meal.

Mathe uparni re, odhi bese jamva;

Kan ughada re, rakhe muj ne gamva

He would sit down and while eating He would cover His head with the shawl but leave His ears open so I can have a pleasant darshan of Him in this stature.

5

Jamta daba re, pag ni palanthi vali;

Te par dabo re, kar mele van madi

While eating He would cross His left leg and place His left hand on it.

Jamna pag ne re, rakhi ubho shyam;

Te par jamno re, kar mele sukh dham 6

Shreeji Maharaj, the abode of all joys would then fold His right leg with the knee upright, and would rest the right hand on this knee.

Rudi rite re, jame dev na dev;

Vare vare re, pani pidha ni tev 7

The Lord of all gods has a uniquely pleasant manner of having a meal. He also habitually likes to have frequent sips of water while eating a meal.

Janas swadu re, janaay jamta jamta;

Pase hari jan re, betha hoy mangamta 8

He would come across a delicacy in the meal and would praise its taste, thanking

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the devotee who prepared it. Favourite saints and devotees would sit near Him to have darshan of Maharaj while He is eating.

Temne api re, pachhi pote jame re;

Jamta jivan re, hari jan ne man game 9

He would give part of that delicacy to the on looking saints and devotees as Prasad, and then continue eating. All the saints and devotees rejoice at seeing this stature and cherish this in their minds for ever.

Ferve jamta re, pet upar Hari hath;

Odkar khaye re, Premanand no nath 10

He would then move His palm over his belly and burp to signal to the serving haribhaktas that He is now satisfied with their seva.