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LINGUISTIC RIGHTS OF TAMILS

Acceptable Statutory Recognition Urged

In their Dissent to the Interim Report of the National Education Commission, on the subject "Provision for the study of the Official Language" two members, Messrs. S. Natesan and S. H. Perinpanayakam, ably stated their views in a nutshell thus:-

We both have good reason to believe that the Tamil people have not accepted the Sinhala Only Act as final. They are yet confident that some modifications acceptable to themselves will be effected; nor is their expectation without grounds. The Sinhala Only Act was an unexpected deviation from the policy which every political party in the country including the S. L. F. P. had accepted as fundamental. Even after this Act was passed the S. L. F. P. Government seems to have had doubts about its wisdom and justice. Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike himself after the passage of the Act issued a Gazette notification declaring Sinhala, Tamil and English as languages of administration. This was followed by the Bandaranaike-Chelvanayagam Pact which embodied some modifications to the Act. Even more recently, prior to the declaration of the present Emergency, there were talks between the Government and the Tamil M. P.'s on this question. Therefore it does not seem necessary to regard the Sinhala Only Act as Final and to try to give effect to it in educational policy.

We should also, in dealing with a problem of such delicacy and significance for the future well-being of the country, not allow ourselves to be tied down to the purely legalistic notion of the Official Language.

We should not ignore the concrete political reality that we are confronted with. This Act has been opposed by Tamils of all political persuasions. This opposition has been active and lively from the day the Act was passed to the present. Schools in

Tamil areas which had been teaching Sinhala to their children from at least the early forties dropped this subject from their curriculum as soon as this Act was passed. The country passed through an Emergency in 1958, and is again under Emergency rule and all Tamil M. P.'s except two were under detention till the other day. The language controversy has been a running sore in the political life of our country since the passing of the Sinhala Only Act. The tension generated by the passing of this Act has not yet died down. It is our sincere conviction that nothing should be done by this Commission to worsen relations between the two communities and make eventual reconciliation more difficult.

Further, from our personal experience as teachers and from our reading on this subject, it seems clear that at least for the first few years of a child's schooling the ideal condition is for the child to be enabled to build the pattern of its emotional and intellectual life in terms of one language only, naturally its mother tongue.

The intrusion of a second language at this early stage is bound to be a disturbing factor both in respect of its intellectual growth and psychological integration. Therefore we do not believe that it is wise to introduce a second language, whatever the language may be, and whoever the child may be, so early in a child's educational career. This seems to be the view of the Commission also as may be gathered from a perusal of paragraph 42 of this re-

port. Refers to the Interim Report as a whole.

One practical consequence of this proposal would be that Tamil and Muslim children will be compelled at some stage to study three languages, while others will need to study only two. They (the Tamils and the Muslims) will have to study Tamil their mother tongue, Sinhala the Official Language and from Standard V English for the specific purposes it serves. As for the Muslims the choice was made by their spokesmen, and may be, they will eventually opt for Sinhala as medium of education. The Tamils have made no such choice and an intolerable language load will be cast on the Tamil child against the wishes of its spokesmen, and in violation of accepted educational principles.

Our view therefore is that no second language whatever should be introduced into the school curriculum before Grade V and that no language other than the child's mother tongue should be made compulsory at any stage. Provision for the study of the other language of Grade V level or before should be on an optional basis.

We should be very unhappy if anything we have said in this note should create the impression that the Tamil people are hostile to the Sinhalese people or to the Sinhala Language. Their present attitude owes its origin to the Sinhala Only Act and will vanish when an acceptable statutory recognition of their linguistic rights as citizens of this country comes into being.

The Essence of the Gita—9

Resistance to Evil

(By A STUDENT OF HINDU PHILOSOPHY)

In the first article of this series mention was made of the fact that the Gita is an inspired work. It is undoubtedly such because the religious wisdom and moral discipline contained in it could not have had a purely human origin source, but how much of it was inspired and how much owes its origin to human thought - processes cannot be definitely estimated. No Christian Church lays down that the entirety of the Bible was verbally inspired, nor does any Christian Church say what part of it was verbally inspired and what not. That there are portions however which show the hand of a religious genius cannot be gainsaid though nearly every book of the Old and New Testaments may teem with intellectual difficulties and contradictions. So is it with that sublime work known as the Bhagavad Gita. The obscurities and other difficulties one finds in it do not diminish by one jot or tittle its intrinsic value as a code of morals or as a handbook of religious instruction. The second chapter itself where Arjuna is instructed by Sri Krishna not to be despondent about killing his kinsmen and even his teachers in a righteous cause because "for the living and the dead, the wise grieve not" (chapter 2 verse 11) human bodies being but receptacles of the "embodied Self who is eternal, indestructible, and unknowable" (chapter 2 verse 18) presents a formidable hurdle when placed by the side of the later injunctions to practise the different forms of Yoga all based on non-violence. Yet with discernment that hurdle can be negotiated.

The first chapter, it would be noted, depicts a sorrow-stricken Arjuna reluctant to slay his kinsmen who are drawn up in battle array against him beseeching Sri Krishna to save him from a most unpleasant task and even wishing that he may be

slain instead. Sri Krishna thereupon rouses the spirit of the kshatriya in Arjuna, infuses courage into him and instructs him on the nature of the Purusha (the Self). The Self is everything and it is indestructible. When the body slays or is slain, it is untouched. Therefore enemies may be slain though not without just cause or reason. "Whosoever looks upon Him as the slain, both these know not aright. He slays not nor is He slain". "He is not born nor does He die: after having been He again ceases not to be; nor the reverse. Unborn, eternal, unchangeable, primeval, He is not slain when the body is slain" (chapter 2 verses 19 and 20). In other words, no compunction need be shown when the body has to be slain, since there can be no slaying of the Eternal Self of which the body is the manifestation. In war, therefore, the body does not matter in the least. It is the Self that matters and the Self is immortal.

This clearly is metaphysics of a kind which may be described as transcendentalism though one may see in it the principles of immanence. It is beyond the comprehension of the average man. The distinction drawn is based on a subtle kind of logic which may appear to the unbeliever as unreal. It does not of course support indiscriminate slaughter. The object, it must be supposed, should be noble and just, as for example, the killing of evil-doers in righteous war, or in defence of one's religion or of places of religious worship or in defence of oneself and one's family though these restrictions are not expressly stated.

The high-souled Arjuna is at last convinced that when duty demands killing is no sin. He throws away his conscientious scruples when he is warned against cowardice and dishonour, when the ap-

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திருச்சிவபெருமான்.

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Treasure These Thoughts

God is near and dear to those who have shunned desires.

PONGAL AND PLANETS

Despite the spate of distressing interpretations of the effect of the conjunction of eight planets during the month of Thai this year, everyone hails the dawn of the Pongal month in the traditional belief that it cannot fail to be hope-inspiring.

Where religion continues to be the very core of spiritual culture, religious ceremonies also will continue to inspire man with re-assuring hope and faith in Parameshwara. Hence the place of prayer in religious life. The devotional aspect of religious observances serves to create confidence in the mind of the devotee even in the face of imminent difficulties. The lives of the revered Saiva Saints remind us of the significance of the Grace of God and how this special gift becomes bestowed on devotees as a result of devotional prayer.

Pongal as a religious observance heralds a period of hope and expectation of prosperity and peace. The Pongal Year Thai Pongal necessarily acquires a greater significance owing to the rare occurrence of a conjunction of all but one of the nine planets in the Makara Rasi. Nothing will affect man if he occupies himself in the endless service of Parameswara — அல்லல் என் செய்யும் அருவினை என்செயும்

Let Thai Pongal Prayer enable man acquire the ability to resist evil and circumvent fear by reminding him of the need to live according to the true Saiva way of life as traditionally lived by the Great Saints and Gurus of the glorious past.

The Conjunction Of Eight Planets And Its Effects

(By PANDIT M. V. BALASUNDRAM)

The Christian New Year 1962 commenced with a brisk and haughty gait, having the powerful aspects of the planets as shown in the diagram No. 1 given below which is the Horoscope of the year (diagram No. 2. being a sketch of the planetary positions as on 4 - 2 - 62) :—

			Rahu
Mercury Jupiter Saturn Kethu		12	
Sun Venus Mars	3	Moon	Ascendant

No. 1
Horoscope of the year 1962

			Rahu
Sun Saturn Moon Mars Kethu Mer. Jup Venus			

No. 2
Position of Planets as on 4 - 2 - 62.

The year has its ascendant in the sign of Virgo with moon in the second house; the planets Mars, Sun and Venus in the sign of Sagittarius, the house of Jupiter, the king of the 4th and the 7th houses; Cauda draconis (Kethu) the debilitated Jupiter and counselling Mercury in the 5th house which influences the heart; and Caput draconis (Rahu) in the 11th house of prosperity.

As the warrior planet Mars is in conjunction with Venus in the sign of Sagittarius, there will be a fear of war all over the world, powerful monarchs will have degradation, the people who quarrel, those who boast of strength and power and those who are in high positions and estimations are bound to lose peace of mind and will be in trouble,

According to the calculations of the Eastern Astrologers, India and Ceylon are in Capricorn. It is in this sign of the Zodiac (see diagram No. 2) that the conjunction of eight planets takes place. The influence of this on these two countries will cause a mere appearance of a rapid wave of disturbances of all kinds threatening to upset all established institutions but the wave will soon subside and will have no tangible effect. Further, the planets clearly indicate that there will be no changes of Government in these countries in the near future. However, when the eight planets have conjunction on 4-2-62, certain parts of North India will get into difficulties but will emerge out safe. There is a possibility

that the coastal regions of India, such as Calcutta and Bombay and Rangoon will experience gales, heavy rains, tidal waves accompanied by thunder and lightning, resulting in loss of less of life but more of property. In South India the eastern coast of Madras Presidency is liable to be blown by gales. The hilly regions of the South will also be affected and will have heavy rains.

The Atlantic Ocean will be disturbed by gales which will be gentle at first and then gain momentum growing terrible and blowing heavily over Portugal, in the bays and on the ports of Western Europe and causing immense damages everywhere. The gales will be so strong as to sever shipping communications and will play a terrible havoc in certain parts of Europe.

Japan and China will experience torrential rains unheard of in the annals of history of those lands. Their climatic conditions will get a sudden change by the appearance of a hot ray wave which will make people fall ill.

In America the peoples living in river valleys will be affected by unhealthy breezes; volcanic eruptions will also take place in different parts of the world. These are caused by the conjunction of Sun, Mars and Venus in the sign of Sagittarius. These planets predict that a cold wave will blow over Russia causing such diseases as influenza, diarrhoea and cholera. Crops and cattle will be destroyed there.

The Atlantic and the Indian Oceans will be disturbed by high waves. The aspect of Mars will be detrimental to criminals and evil and unjust people who have swerved from the path of virtue. The rest are apt to escape all distresses. There will be a shortage of food and clothing.

The hilly parts of Ceylon may be affected by rains and gales. The Eastern Province will have floods such as experienced in the past. The Uva Province will have continuous rain and earth-slips will occur in certain places in small scales. The district of Galle will be affected by tidal waves, widely spread rain-fall and small gales, causing damage to property. Thefts will abound in this area. The Northern and North Central Provinces will have widely spread rain-fall and strong gales but will have no floods.

There will be threat of a world war but it will vanish soon. Although, as said above, there will be no change of Governments in India and Ceylon, the present Governmental policies and methods are bound to change. The fair sex will dominate men. Jealousies and intrigues will come into shape only to vanish soon.

Let there be no fear that the conjunction of the eight planets will have evil effects. For, they can be rendered powerless by atonements achievable through devotional prayers, singing of songs of "Kolaru Pathikam" chanted by Thirugnanasambanda Swamigal and hymns presented in

the scriptures of various religious for the pacification of the planets.

We are now in the Kali Yuga, the dominating God of which is Skanda. Hence special poojas and prayer should be performed in such shrines as Katara-gama Temple, Nallur Temple and Sannithi Temple. Skanda, the God of Kaliyuga will protect us. For, all the planets are controlled by Him who subdued Soorapadma, the lord of the 1008 worlds of the epics. With His Grace we shall nullify the evil aspects of the planets by praying. The planets are said to be superior in power to the celestial beings but are submissive to the Supreme God. The conjunction of the eight planets does occur once in two thousand years or 250 years or sixty years to correct those who have descended from the purity of devotion towards God. Let us therefore pray and the Grace of God will save us all.

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ORDER NISI
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 1067.

In the matter of the intestate estate of Selvamany wife of C. S. Edwards daughter of S. Selvaratnam of Manipay Deceased.
Sellaturay Selvaratnam of Manipay Petitioner.

Vs.
1 Nagammah wife of Selvaratnam of Manipay
Christopher Selvaraj Edwards presently of 72 Hampden Lane, Wellawatte Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Krishnadasan Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna on the 16th day of November 1961 in the presence of Mr. S. Thirunavukarasu Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the Petitioner having been read;

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and he is hereby declared entitled to have Letters of Administration over the estate of the deceased as father and heir and that such letters be accordingly issued to him unless the Respondents abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 24th day of January 1962 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 16th day of
November 1961.
Sgd. N. Krishnadasan
District Judge,
Jaffna,
(O. 137, 12 & 19)

MATRIMONIAL

BALASUBRAMANIAM—SIVAPACKIAM

K. Kanagaratnam, Retired Auditor General, and Mrs. Kanagaratnam cordially invite relations and friends to the marriage of their son DR. K. BALASUBRAMANIAM with SIVAPACKIAM KANDIAH between 10 and 11 A. M. on *Wednesday the 17th instant* at the Naguleswaran Temple, Keerimalai.

No individual invitations please. Vaddukodai.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1056

Satkunanayagam widow of Ramalingam Sivapragasam of Sooravathai in Chunnagam Petitioner

Vs

Minor 1 Francis Xavier Rajesparan and

2 Ramalingam Thiagarajah Arulanandham of do the 1st Respondent is a minor appearing by his guardian ad litem the 2nd Respondent

Respondents

In the matter of the Estate of the late Ramalingam Sivapragasam deceased of Colombo This matter coming on for disposal before N. Krishnadasan Esq. District Judge, Jaffna on the 29th day of November 1961, in the presence of Mr. Alfred Swampillai, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner dated 31st October 1961 having been read,

It is ordered that the said 2nd Respondent, be appointed guardian ad litem over the minor the 1st respondent and that the said Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate as her lawful widow and that she is entitled to have Letters of Administration and the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 26th day of January 1962 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 29th day of November 1961

Sgd. N. Krishnadasan District Judge Jaffna

(O 140 12 & 19)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1057

In the matter of the Intestate Estate and Effects of Thillaiampalam Manickavasakar of Tellippalai East

Deceased,

Ledchumpillai widow of

Thillaiampalam Manickavasagar of Tellippalai East Petitioner.

Vs.

- 1 Eliyathamby Saravannamuttu
- 2 Sukanja daughter of Manickavasakar
- 3 Thevakunja daughter of Manickavasakar
- 4 Manickavasakar Vararajasingham
- 5 Manickavasagar Thillaiampalam all of Tellippalai North

Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Krishnadasan Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna, on the 25th day of October 1961 in the presence of Mr. V. Dharmalingam Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of the above-named deceased be issued to the petitioner as widow of the deceased and that the 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian-ad litem over the minors the 2nd to 5th Respondents both inclusive for the purpose of this action unless the said Respondents or any other person or persons interested shall appear before this Court on or before the 15th day of December 1961 at 10 a.m. and shew sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary

And it is further ordered that the Petitioner do produce the said minors 2nd to 5th Respondents in Court on the said date. The 25th day of

October 1961. Sgd. N. Krishnadasan District Judge.

Drawn by Sgd. V. Dharmalingam Proctor for Petitioner. 13.12.61

The above Order Nisi is extended for 22-1-62.

(It'd.) N. K. D. J.

(O. 133. 12 & 19)

Astrological

WEEKLY FORECASTS

'SRI PATHY'

FROM 14-1-62 TO 20-1-62

ARIES Aswini, Barani, Kartikai 1st part [Medha Rasi]

Fathers relatives will go out of the way to help you this week. Fame and social success promised. Professionally too you will find some vast improvements. But some misunderstandings in the domestic circle likely.

TAURUS Kartikai 2, 3, 4, Rohini, Mirugasirisha 1, 2 [Idapa Rasi]

Health will be far from satisfactory this week. Misunderstanding with relatives and friends shown. New ventures will have to be handled with care. Financially a good week.

GEMINI Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Punarpoosam 1, 2, 3 [Mithuna Rasi]

Misunderstanding in the domestic circle likely this week. But some improvements promised after Wednesday. Health upsets shown. You will experience some setbacks and delays in your ventures.

CANCER Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

Health and domestic affairs will be unsatisfactory throughout this week. New ventures will not bring in the desired results. There will be some opposition but you will be able to steer clear of them.

LEO Maha, Poora, Uttira 1, [Singha Rasi]

New enterprises will be successful. But work will be heavier than usual. Financial gains promised. But domestic affairs will be in a mess.

VIRGO Uttira 2, 3, 4, Attachittirai 1, 2 [Kanni Rasi]

You will have no mental peace. Troubles in the office also shown. Domestic surroundings will not be harmonious. Spend the first two days with care.

LIBRA Chittirai 3, 4, Swati, Visaka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Your younger brothers and sisters will be very helpful this week. Financial gain promised. But troubles in the office shown. Monday evening Tuesday and Wednesday will have to be spent with care.

SCORPION Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

The first half of the week will be favourable for new deals. Success in agricultural pursuits promised. But your mind will not be at rest. Thursday Friday and Saturday morning will have to be spent with care.

SAGITTARIUS Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1. [Thanu Rasi]

Financially a good week. Old investments will bring in good results. But you will be quick to pick up quarrels. Eye troubles also likely. Spend Saturday afternoon with care.

CAPRICORNUS Uttiradam 2, 3, 4 Thiruvonam, Avittam 1, 2. [Makara Rasi]

Your social affairs will be in a muddle this week. Health upsets and troubles in the domestic circle shown. Your friends may betray you in some affairs.

AQUARIUS Avittam 3, 4, Satayam, Pooraddati 1, 2, 3 [Kumbha Rasi]

Expenses will soar. You will have to face some opposition in your affairs this week. Misunderstandings with friends also shown. But gains through old investments indicated.

PISCES Pooraddati 4, Uttiraddati, Revati. [Meena Rasi]

A favourable week again. You will be able to negotiate your ventures with care. Gains through landed properties promised. But minor health upsets likely.

Order Nisi

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

No. 1069/T.

Sathasiva Iyer Thiagarajasiva Iyer of Mallakam

Vs. Petitioner.

- 1 Annaledhumy widow of A. I. Kasilingam
- 2 Kasilingam Kathiravelu and
- 3 Kasilingam Arulvel all of Koddady, Jaffna (The 2nd and 3rd Respondents are minors appearing by their Guardian ad-litem the 1st Respondent

Respondents.

In the matter of the intestate Estate of the late A. I. Kasilingam deceased of Koddady, Jaffna Deceased.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Krishnadasan Esqr., District Judge, Jaffna on the 22nd day of November 1961 in the presence of Mr. V. Sivasubramaniam, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner dated 22nd November 1961 having been read:

It is further declared that the said 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian-ad-litem

over the 2nd and 3rd Respondents (minors) and that the said petitioner is declared entitled to have Letters of Administration issued to him as creditor of the deceased intestate estate and unless the respondents or others shall on or before the 24th day of January 1962 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 22nd day of November 1961

Sgd. N. Krishnadasan, District Judge.

Drawn by Sgd. V. Sivasubramaniam Proctor for Petitioner. (O, 138. 12 & 19)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

No. 1070/T.

1. Vyramuttu Joseph and
2. Mary Josephine alias Sellam both of Koiyathoddam, Jaffna

Vs.

1. Annammah wife of Francis Xavier Thomas daughter of Kaurietpillai of Alukkai, Alaveddy, near St. Joseph's Church

Respondents

In the matter of the last will

and testament of the late Francis Xavier Thomas of Koiyathoddam Jaffna Deceased

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Krishnadasan Esqr., District Judge, Jaffna on the 22nd day of November 1961 in the presence of Mr. V. Sivasubramaniam, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the abovementioned petitioner dated 20th November 1961 having been read and the affidavit of the five witnesses to the last will dated 20th November 1961 also having been read.

It is ordered that the will of the deceased Francis Xavier Thomas deceased dated 25th July 1961 and executed before five witnesses be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the respondent or others shall on or before the 24th day of January 1962 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 22nd day of November 1961

Sgd. N. Krishnadasan District Judge, Jaffna

Drawn by Sgd. V. Sivasubramaniam Proctor for Petitioner (O 139 12 & 19)

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FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS

APPLY TO:

S. KANAGASABAI, Shroff.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF POINT PEDRO

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 711.

In the matter of the intestate estate of Suppar Kanapathipillai of Puloly East Deceased.

Kanapathipillai Sachinathanantham of Puloly West Petitioner. Vs.

Kanapathipillai Subramaniam of Puloly West Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasundaram Esq. District Judge of Point Pedro on the 1st day of November 1961 in the presence of Mr. N. A. Rajaratnam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the Petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and he is hereby declared as the son of the abovenamed deceased, to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased issued to him accordingly, unless the Respondent abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 12th day of January 1962 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 1st day of November 1961.

Sgd. N. Sivagnanasundaram District Judge.

Drawn by Proctor for Petitioner. (O. 135. 5 & 12)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BATTICALOA

No. 770 Testy.

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Sellathurai Selvaratnam of Vaddukkodai West Deceased. Rasamalar widow of Sellathurai Selvaratnam of Vaddukkodai West Petitioner. Vs.

Minor { 1 Selvaratnam Kausala of Vaddukkodai West appearing by her G. A. L. 2 Vinayar Sellathurai of Arasady Road, Vannarponnai North West, Jaffna Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before Jos. J. David Esquire, District Judge of Batticaloa on this 15th day of December 1961 in the presence of Mr. S. V. Somasundaram Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 11th day of February, 1961 having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd respondent be and he is hereby appointed Guardian - ad - litem over the 1st minor Respondent; that the Letters of Administration be and the same is granted to the petitioner in the capacity as lawful widow, unless the Respondents abovenamed or any others shall on or before the 18th day of January 1962 show sufficient cause (if any) to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the petitioner is to

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF POINT PEDRO

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 713

In the matter of the intestate estate of Kanapathipillai Athisdam of Puloly West Deceased Meenadchipillai widow of Athisdam Puloly West Vs. Petitioner.

1 Athisdam Navaratnam of do present of A. S. P. Matara
2 Athisdam Darmaratnam of do present of Colombo Commercial Coy, Colombo
3 Thanaledchumy daughter of Athisdam
4 Athisdam Puvandam of do
5 Athisdam Selvarajah of do
6 Kanagasabai Sangarapillai of Puloly South Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasundaram Esquire, District Judge, Point Pedro, on the 4th day of December 1961 in the presence of Mr. N. A. Rajaratnam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner, and the affidavit and petition of the Petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and she is hereby declared as wife of the abovenamed deceased, to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased issued to her accordingly and that the abovenamed 6th Respondent be appointed Guardian - ad - litem over the abovenamed minors the 4th & 5th Respondents for the purpose of representing them in these proceedings unless the Respondents abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 16th day of February 1962 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the abovenamed 4th & 5th Respondents to be produced on the said date 16 - 2 - 1962.

This 4th day of December 1961

Sgd. N. Sivagnanasundaram District Judge (O 136 5 & 12)

produce the said 1st minor respondent on the said date.

Batticaloa this 15th day of December 1961.

Sgd Jos. J. DAVID, Addl. District Judge Batticaloa.

Drawn by Sgd. S. V. Somasundaram Proctor for Petitioner. (O. 134. 5 & 12)

The Essence PHILOSOPHY OF DESIRE

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peal is made to the fearless spirit of the Kshatriya and when the reward of heaven and earthly dominion is offered (chapter 2, verse 31 to 37). The great scholar and philosopher, Sankara, when he was preparing his commentary on the Gita, found chapter 2 very difficult to understand. Action for the sake of its fruit is condemned. Perfect equanimity is enjoined. Pleasure and pains gain and loss, success and defeat are not to influence the warrior (chapter 2 verse 38). Yet Arujuna is persuaded much against his will to fight to gain fame, to avoid infamy and pain, to gain heaven, to enjoy earthly dominion.

"Having regard to thine own duty also, thou oughtest not to waver etc." (verses 31 to 37 chapter 2).

Moved by these considerations in order to drive away sorrow and attachment Arjuna resolves to fight.

Then follow instructions about the practice of Gnana Yoga, devotion, resoluteness, equanimity, non attachment to pleasure and power, to the fruit of action, to desires of the mind which relate to progeny, possessions, and worldly affairs generally. Emphasis is put on the avoidance of fear, wrath, hatred, control of the senses and withdrawal from sense objects and all other delusions. The culmination is reached in verse 71 of chapter 2 which points to deliverance from the bondage of material existence. "That man attains peace, who abandoning all desires, moves about without attachment, without selfishness, without enmity.

The exercise of "disciplined force" is not referred to in this chapter of instructions to Arjuna. It may be an accretion grafted by schools of Hinduism which arose later. In all religions various schools of thought have arisen which have interpreted the Doctrine in different ways as circumstances arose. Krishna's discourse to Arjuna has for its main subject righteous war. It is followed by injunctions on moral discipline which rather weaken the force of the discourse on war. These give to the discourse on war the character

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Chapalta is intense desire. There are two kinds of strong chapaltas, viz Jihwa chapalts and Upastha chapalta. You want to eat something or other always. This is chapalta of tongue. There is desire for constant sex-gratification or carnal pleasure. This is Upastha chapalta.

Desirelessness is the flower bunch in the tree of contentment and quiescence. Desirelessness is the axe with which the forest of this Samsara is cut down. A Desireless man is totally free from all weaknesses of the heart. For a man of absolute desirelessness, the whole universe is but a straw.

Cultivate a very strong desire of liberation. This will destroy all worthless mundane desires. This is the first step in the annihilation of desires.

Kill ruthlessly all forms of desire through Satsang, meditation and enquiry and attain the Supreme Bliss of the Eternal.

er of an allegory. Some interpreters, notably the late Logamanya Tilak, have taken it literally and there is justification for that interpretation. On the other hand, there is justification also for the opposite view as the purpose of the Gita is to evolve a code of mental and moral discipline having for its object Liberation or Realisation. The Gita lays much stress on the spiritual development of the individual and this cannot be reconciled with an incitement to war in which qualities which are to be eradicated are displayed. Force disciplined or undisciplined lies outside the sphere of religion. It is a natural and perfectly legitimate weapon for use in the interests of self-preservation or national self-defence against an aggressor. One need not look for religious sanction for the exercise of a natural right. To do so would be to stimulate and perpetuate inter-religious conflicts. Sri Krishna's discourse must be interpreted in such a way as to serve supreme moral ends. To do otherwise would be to imperil individual and national welfare and even religion.

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