## Kadambapupphiya

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In the Himalayan region, there's a mountain named Kukkuṭa.<sup>2</sup> At the foot of that [same] mountain, seven [Lonely] Buddhas dwelt [then].<sup>3</sup> (1) [2022]

Seeing a kadam [tree] in bloom, like the risen king of [all] lamps,<sup>4</sup> taking [blossoms] with both [my] hands I placed them upon the Buddhas. (2) [2023]

In the ninety-four aeons since I did that flower-pūjā [then], I've come to know no bad rebirth: that's the fruit of Buddha-pūjā. (3) [2024]

In the ninety-second aeon seven [named] Phullanāyaka<sup>5</sup> were wheel-turning kings with great strength, possessors of the seven gems. (4) [2025]

The four analytical modes, and these eight deliverances, six special knowledges mastered, [I have] done what the Buddha taught! (5) [2026]

Thus indeed Venerable Kadambapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Kadambapupphiya Thera is finished.

<sup>1&</sup>quot;Kadamba-Flower-er". Kadamba (Sinhala kolom) is a flowering tree, Nauclea cordifolia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>"Fowl"

³reading vasanti te (BJTS) for vasantike ("in the middle of the house," PTS)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>i.e., according to the cty, the moon.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>"Blossoming Leader".