

# Supāricariya

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## Supāricariya Chapter, the Seventeenth

### [161. Supāricariya<sup>1</sup>]

The one whose name was Paduma,  
the Bull of Men, the Biped-Lord,  
Eyeful One, setting out from the  
forest, was [then] preaching *Dhamma*. (1) [2050]

There was a spirit<sup>2</sup>-multitude  
[staying] close to the Sage so Great.  
Whatever work they'd arrived for  
they looked after all of the time. (2) [2051]

Understanding the Buddha's words  
and preaching of the deathless [state],  
with a pleased heart [and] happy mind,  
snapping [my] fingers I served [him]. (3) [2052]

Look at the fruit of good practice,  
of service for the [great] Teacher:  
in thirty thousand aeons [thence,]  
I've come to know no bad rebirth. (4) [2053]

In the twenty-nine-hundredth aeon,  
one [man] named Samalaṅkata,<sup>3</sup>  
was a wheel-turner with great strength,  
possessor of the seven gems. (5) [2054]

The four analytical modes,  
and these eight deliverances,  
six special knowledges mastered,  
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (6) [2055]

Thus indeed Venerable Supāricariya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Supāricariya Thera is finished.

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<sup>1</sup>"Good Service"

<sup>2</sup>*yakkha*

<sup>3</sup>"Completely Adorned" "All Decked Out"