

Tikaṇṇipupphiya

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[188. Tikaṇṇipupphiya¹]

I, being [then] a deity,
 honored by celestial nymphs,²
 reborn [due to my] past karma,
 recalled [him], the Best of Buddhas. (1) [2197]

Having plucked three *kaṇṇi* flowers,
 bringing pleasure to [my] own mind,
 I offered [them] to the Buddha
 Vipassi, the Bull among Men. (2) [2198]

In the ninety-one aeons since
 I offered that flower [to him],
 I've come to know no bad rebirth:
 that's the fruit of Buddha-*pūjā*. (3) [2199]

Seventy-three aeons ago
 there were four Naruttamas,³
 wheel-turning monarchs with great strength,
 possessors of the seven gems. (4) [2200]

The four analytical modes,
 and these eight deliverances,
 six special knowledges mastered,
 [I have] done what the Buddha taught! (5) [2201]

Thus indeed Venerable Tikaṇṇipupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Tikaṇṇipupphiya Thera is finished.

¹“Three-*kaṇṇi*-Flower-er.” BJTS glosses *kaṇṇi* flowers as “thin grape flowers”.

²*accharā* = *apsarā*

³“Ultimate Men,” BJTS reads *Ramuttamā*, “Ultimate Delight”