

# Ticampakapupphiya

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**[254. Ticampakapupphiya<sup>1</sup>]**

In the Himalayan region  
there's a mountain named Vikaṭa.<sup>2</sup>  
In its midst was<sup>3</sup> dwelling [back then]  
a monk with senses [well-]controlled. (1) [2511]

After seeing that [monk's] calmness,  
with [my own] mind very lucid,  
gathering three champak flowers  
I strew those [blossoms] about [there]. (2) [2512]

In the ninety-one aeons since  
I did *pūjā* [with] that flower,  
I've come to know no bad rebirth:  
that's the fruit of Buddha-*pūjā*. (3) [2513]

The four analytical modes,  
and these eight deliverances,  
six special knowledges mastered,  
[I have] done what the Buddha taught! (4) [2514]

Thus indeed Venerable Ticampakapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Ticampakapupphiya Thera is finished.

<sup>1</sup>“Three-Campaka-Flower-er”. The *campaka* (Sinh. *sapu*) tree is *Magnolia champaca*, formerly classified as *michelia champaca*. English names for the tree include Champak, Joy Perfume Tree, Yellow Jade Orchid Tree and Fragrant Himalayan Champaca. It was the Bodhi tree of the seventeenth Buddha of the *Buddhavaṃsa*, Atthadassi. It has highly fragrant cream to yellowish-colored blossoms.

<sup>2</sup>this is the only reference to the mountain recorded in DPPN. The term means “disgusting” “foul” “filthy” “degraded” as in *vikaṭabhōjana*, spoiled or rotten food.

<sup>3</sup>lit., “is”