

Kamsa meets Subhadra

- ॐ After Vas returns and puts everything in order, gatekeepers awake
- ॐ Gatekeepers inform Kamsa after hearing baby cry
- ॐ "Now the cruel death of my life is born!"
- ॐ Goes...
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- ॐ Devaki to Kamsa: My dear brother, please do not kill this female child. I promise that this child will be the wife of your son; therefore don't kill her.
- ॐ You are not to be killed by any female child. That was the omen.
- ॐ You are to be killed by a male child, so please do not kill her.
- ॐ My dear brother, you have killed so many of my children who were just born, shining as the sun.
- ॐ That is not your fault.
- ॐ You have been advised by demoniac friends to kill my children. But now I beg you to excuse this girl. Let her live as my daughter
- ॐ Kamsa doesn't care
- ॐ Grabs baby and throws to floor
- ॐ Child slips out of hands and flies up in to sky
- ॐ Hundred petaled chariot pulled by 1,000s of horses appears
- ॐ Along with many attendants
- ॐ Decorated in nice dress w/ flower garlands
- ॐ 8 hands: bow, lancet, arrows, bell, conch shell, disc, club and shield
- ॐ Demigods appear and offer prayers
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- ॐ Durga to Kamsa (voice like thunder): You rascal, how can you kill me?
- ॐ The child who will kill you is already born before me somewhere within this world. Don't be so cruel to your poor sister
- ॐ Kamsa becomes fearful
- ॐ Yogamaya goes to Vindhya hills

Description is an amalgamation of those found in Srimad Bhagavatam (Krishna Book) and Garga Samhita (Canto 1, chapter 11)

Releases Vas & Dev from prison

- ॐ With tears in eyes Kamsa releases D & V from prison (falling at their feet)
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- ॐ I am a sinner. I have done many sins. I am a demon. I am the lowest of the Yādavas. Please forgive what I have done in this world. (Please forgive) the killer of your sons.

- ॐ O sister, hear me. O Vasudeva, I think this was all done by time, which, as the wind moves the clouds, moves what cannot be moved.
- ॐ I believed the words of the demigods. The demigods also lie. She said my enemy is already born on the earth. Where? I don't know.
- ॐ My dear sister and brother-in-law, I have acted just like a demon in killing my own nephews I have given up all consideration of our intimate relationship.
- ॐ I do not know what will be the result of these acts of mine.
- ॐ Probably I shall be sent to the hell where killers of the *brahmanas* go. I am surprised, however, that the celestial prophecy has not come true. False propaganda is not found only in the human society.
- ॐ Now it appears that even the celestial denizens speak lies. Because I believed in the words of the celestial denizens, I have committed so many sins by killing the children of my sister.
- ॐ My dear Vasudeva and Devaki, you are both very great souls. I have nothing to instruct you, but still I request that you not be sorry for the death of your children.
- ॐ Every one of us is under the control of superior power, and that superior power does not allow us to remain together.
- ॐ We are bound to be separated from our friends and relatives in due course of time. But we must know for certain that even after the disappearance of the different material bodies, the soul remains intact eternally.
- ॐ For example, there are many pots made of earthly clay, and they are prepared and also broken. But in spite of this, the earth remains as it is perpetually.
- ॐ Similarly, the bodies of the soul under different conditions are made and destroyed, but the spirit soul remains eternally.
- ॐ So there is nothing to lament over.
- ॐ Everyone should understand that this material body is different from the spirit soul, and so long as one does not come to that understanding, he is sure to accept the processes of transmigration from one body to another.
- ॐ My dear sister Devaki, you are so gentle and kind. Please excuse me--don't be aggrieved by the death of your children, which I have caused. Actually this was not done by me because all these are predestined activities. One has to act according to the predestined plan, even unwillingly.
- ॐ People misunderstand that with the end of the body, the self dies, or they think that one can kill another living entity.
- ॐ All these misconceptions oblige one to accept the conditions of material existence. In other words, as long as one is not firmly convinced of the eternality of the soul, one is subjected to the tribulation of being killer and killed.
- ॐ My dear sister Devaki and brother-in-law Vasudeva, kindly excuse the atrocities I have committed against you. I am very poor-hearted, and you are so great-hearted, so take compassion upon me and excuse me."

- ॐ Tears flow from Kamsa's eyes
- ॐ Kamsa personally unlocks shackles and door
- ॐ Dev is pacified by Kamsa's repentance
- ॐ Vas explains that Kamsa's atheistic behavior was due to the bodily conception of life

Kamsa consults his ministers

- ॐ Next day Kamsa gathers his counselors, headed by Pralambasura
- ॐ Not a very intelligent group
- ॐ Kamsa: The person who will kill me has already take
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- ॐ Asuras: When you ready your bow for a fight, the twang of its string makes the demigods flee. Why do you fear them?
- ॐ The cows, brāhmaṇas, devotees, Vedas, demigods, and others headed by the principles of religion, are the limbs of Lord Viṣṇu. When they are destroyed, the power of the demons will be remembered.
- ॐ If your enemy Lord Mahā-Viṣṇu is indeed born on the earth then the way to kill Him is to attack the cows and these others.
- ॐ We should make plans to kill all babies born within the last 10 days
- ॐ The demigods will be unable to defeat us then
- ॐ You are no match for the demigods
- ॐ Although Lord Visnu, Lord Siva and Lord Brahma are always ready to help the demigods headed by Indra, we have no reason to be afraid of them.
- ॐ As far as Lord Visnu is concerned, He has already hidden Himself within the hearts of all living entities, and He cannot come out.
- ॐ As far as Lord Siva is concerned, he has renounced all activities; he has already entered into the forest.
- ॐ And Lord Brahma is always engaged in different types of austerities and meditation.
- ॐ And what to speak of Indra--he is a straw in comparison to your strength.
- ॐ Therefore we have nothing to fear from all these demigods. But we must not neglect them because the demigods are our determined enemies.
- ॐ We must be careful to protect ourselves. To root them out from their very existence, we should just engage ourselves in your service and be always ready for your command
- ॐ If there is some disease in the body which is neglected, it becomes incurable.
- ॐ Similarly, when one is not careful about restraining the senses and lets them loose, it is then very difficult to control them at all.
- ॐ Therefore, we must always be very careful of the demigods before they get too strong to be subdued.

Kṛṣṇa Līlā notes – Chapter 4 (Kamsa Begins His Persecutions)

- ॐ The foundation of strength of the demigods is Lord Visnu, because the ultimate goal of all religious principles is to satisfy Him.
- ॐ The Vedic injunctions, the *brahmanas*, the cows, austerities, sacrifices, performances of charity and distribution of wealth are all for the satisfaction of Lord Visnu.
- ॐ So let us immediately begin by killing all the *brahmanas* who are in charge of the Vedic knowledge and the great sages who are in charge of sacrificial ritualistic performances.
- ॐ Let us kill all the cows which are the source of butter which is so necessary for performing sacrifices.
- ॐ Please give us your permission to kill all these creatures
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- ॐ Demons killed many cows, newborns & other pious creatures
- ॐ From sea to sea they entered houses like snakes