Sakatasura

- When Krsna grew up a little more, He began to turn Himself backside up; He did not merely lie down on His back.
- 36 One day when K's birth star was present (i.e., when in Rohini naksatra), NM & MY gathered gopas and gopis (townsfolk) to perform auspicious activities.
- And another function was observed by Yasoda and Nanda Ma birthday [KB & GS] or first outing [SB]. They arranged for Kr year)/first outing ceremony (3 months),
- 36 On this occasion, mother Yasoda arranged to distribute a large quantity of grains, and first-class cows decorated with golden ornaments were made ready to be given in charity to the learned, respectable *brahmanas*.
- 3 MY offer ob to demigods and gave wealth to the brahmanas
- 3 Yasoda took her bath and dressed herself nicely, and taking child Krsna, duly dressed and bathed, on her lap, she sat down to hear the Vedic hymns chanted by the *brahmanas*.
- 3 K dressed in red garments and limbs in gold ornaments
- 36 While listening to the chanting of the Vedic hymns, the child appeared to be falling asleep, and therefore mother Yasoda very silently laid Him down on the bed/cradle.
- Being engaged in receiving all the friends, relatives and residents of Vrndavana on that holy occasion, she forgot to feed the child milk.
- **3** Greets gopis
- 3 He was crying, being hungry, but mother Yasoda could not hear Him cry because of the various noises.
- 3 The child, however, became angry because He was hungry and His mother was not paying attention to Him.
- 35 So He lifted His legs and began to kick His lotus feet just like an ordinary child.
- 38 Baby Krsna had been placed underneath a hand-driven cart, and while He was kicking His legs, He accidentally touched the wheel of the cart, and it collapsed.
- 3 At this time Utkaca enters cart and makes fall on K
- 3 Various kinds of utensils and brass and metal dishes had been piled up in the handcart, and they all fell down with a great noise.
- 3 The wheel of the cart separated from the axle, and the spokes of the wheel were all broken and scattered hither and thither.
- **3** Cart breaks into pieces
- 3 Demon falls
- 🕉 Attains spiritual body

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Description that K was just learning to roll over would put it at closer to 3 months based upon modern observations (of course, maybe in a previous age since they lived longer, development also took longer. But the astrology seems to indicate, in my uneducated observation, one year.

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- 3 Bows before K
- 3 Heads to Goloka in a chariot carried by 100 horses
- 36 Mother Yasoda and all the *gopis*, as well as Maharaja Nanda and the cowherd men, were astonished as to how the cart could have collapsed by itself.
- 3 All the men and women who were assembled for the holy function crowded around and began to suggest how the cart might have collapsed.
- 3 No one could ascertain the cause
- 3 Therefore they asked the children who were
- 3 Kids: K was crying for milk and he started kicking
- 3 He hit the cart with one foot and it fell.
- 36 They assured the crowd that they had seen how it happened with their own eyes, and they strongly asserted the point.
- 35 Some were listening to the statement of the small children,
- 3 But others said, "How can you believe the statements of these children?"
- The cowherd men and women could not understand that the all-powerful Personality of Godhead was lying there as a baby, and He could do anything.
- 3 What can a small child do to this cart?
- 3 While the discussion was going on, baby Krsna cried.
- Without remonstration and fearing a ghost, mother Yasoda picked the child up on her lap and called the learned *brahmanas* to chant holy Vedic hymns to counteract the evil spirits.
- 3 At the same time she allowed the baby to suck her breast.
- 3 If a child sucks the mother's breast nicely, it is to be understood that he is out of all danger.
- 36 After this, all the stronger cowherd men put the broken cart in order, and all the scattered things were set up nicely as before.
- The *brahmanas* thereafter began to offer oblations to the sacrificial fire with yogurt, butter, *kusa* grass, and water.
- 3 They worshiped the Supreme Personality of Godhead for the good fortune of the child.
- As the *brahmanas* chanted the Vedic hymns and performed the ritualistic ceremonies for the second time, Nanda Maharaja again gave huge quantities of grains and many cows to them.
- All the cows which were given in charity were covered with nice gold-embroidered garments, and their horns were bedecked with golden rings; their hooves were covered with silver plate, and they wore garlands of flowers.
- He gave so many cows just for the welfare of his wonderful child, and the *brahmanas* in return bestowed their heartfelt blessing. And the blessings offered by the able *brahmanas* were never to be baffled.

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Sakatasura's past life

- 🕉 Was Hiranyaksa's son
- 3 Went to Lomasa Muni's ashram and broke some trees
- 3 Lomasa See Utkaca (a giant)
- 3 Lomasa: "Become body-less, O evil hearted one"
- 3 Utkaca becomes a ghost
- Figure 3 Gives up body like snake gives up skin
- 🕉 Utkaca: O sage, please by merciful
- 3 I did not know your power
- **3** Please give me a body
- 3 Lomasa: You may have a body made of air
- 36 When Caksusa-manvatara is over & Vaivasvata Manu has come, Hari's foot will give you liberation

Trnavarta

- 36 One day, shortly after this ceremony, when mother Yasoda was patting her baby on her lap, K became heavier than a mountain
- Being unable to carry Him, she unwillingly placed Him on the ground.
- 3 My was astonished: how has this happened
- **ॐ** How has my boy become so heavy?
- 3 After a while, she became engaged in household affairs.
- 3 At that time, one of the servants of Kamsa, known as Trnavarta, as instructed by Kamsa, appeared there in the shape of a whirlwind.
- 3 He picked the child up on his shoulders and raised a great dust storm all over Vrndavana.
- 3 There was a blinding darkness and terrible roar
- Because of this, everyone's eyes became covered within a few moments, and the whole area of Vrndavana became densely dark so that no one could see himself or anyone else.
- 3 During this great catastrophe, mother Yasoda could not see her baby, who was taken away by the whirlwind, and she began to cry very piteously.
- **3** Gazed at rooftops looking for K.
- 36 Not seeing K she fell down unconscious on the ground and cried loudly exactly like a cow who has just lost her calf.

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- When mother Yasoda was so piteously crying, all the cowherd women immediately came and began to look for the baby, but they were disappointed and could not find Him.
- Their hearts were filled with love
- **3** Their faces filled with tears
- The Trnavarta demon who took baby Krsna on his shoulder went 800,000 miles (100,000 yojanas) high in the sky
- Takes to 9th level of svarga planetary system
- 3 Above Bhu-mandala and Bhuvar systems
- 3 Baby Krsna made Himself heavy and began to weigh down the demon.
- **3** Trn panics
- Felt K to be as heavy as Mt. Sumeru
- **ॐ** Trn wanted to drop K
- 3 But K caught hold of his neck.
- 3 Trnavarta: Let go! Let Go!
- **ॐ** K strangles and kills
- 3 Eyes popped out from their sockets. Crying very fiercely
- **3** Merges into brahmajyoti
- **3** K falls with body
- 3 Sound of crash filled all directions
- 3 He hit the stone ground, and his limbs were smashed. His body became visible to all the inhabitants of Vrndavana.
- When the *gopis*, crying, saw the demon killed and child Krsna very happily playing on his body, they immediately picked Krsna up with great affection.
- 3 The cowherd men and women became very happy to get back their beloved child Krsna.
- 3⁵ Brought K to MY
- 35
- 3 The gopis chastised
- 3 You have no right to embrace this child
- 3 You have no kindness
- 🕉 You own words show how cruel you are
- 3 In that darkness you took k from your lap and put him on the ground
- **¾** You are so merciless
- 3 In terror you abandoned him
- 35 MY: how did my child become as heave as the king of mountains:

Interesting points to consider:

- What are the distances to the sun and the moon?
- What about the lack of atmosphere and then the burning upon reentry?
- Did they orbit the earth and how is it that they landed where they took off?

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- 3 That is whey during the terrible whirlwind I placed him to the ground
- 3 Gopis: O beautiful one, don't lie
- 🕉 This infant is as light as a flower
- 3⁵ MY takes K
- 3 K drinks from her breast again and again
- 3 MY dresses K in nice clothes

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- 3 MY to Rohini: fate has given me only one son
- **ॐ** I don't have many sons
- 3 But to that one son danger comes at any moment
- 3 Today he just escaped death
- 3 What would have happened if he died?
- 3 Where would I go
- 3 Where would I live
- 3 Many demons who are as strong as thunderbolts and terrible to see hate my son
- 3 How will they be happy?
- 36 My wealth, body, palace, and many jewels are only so my son wil be happy
- 3 I will worship Hari
- **3** Give charity
- 3 Do great public works
- **ॐ** Build 100 temples
- 3 Then my boy will be victorious over al danger
- **ॐ** My son will make me happy
- 3 I will become like a blind stick; immobile with bliss
- 3 O Rohini, I will take my son to the kingdom of fearlessness

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- At that time the gopis began to talk about how wonderful it was that the demon took away the child to devour Him but could not do so; instead he fell down dead.
- 36 Some of them supported the situation: "This is proper because those who are too sinful die from their sinful reactions, and child Krsna is pious; therefore He is saved from all kinds of fearful situations.
- And we too must have performed great sacrifices in our previous lives, worshiping the Supreme Personality of Godhead, giving great wealth in charity and acting philanthropically for the general welfare of men.
- Because of such pious activities, the child is saved from all danger."

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- The *gopis* assembled there spoke among themselves: "What sort of austerities and penances we must have undergone in our previous lives!
- We must have worshiped the Supreme Personality of Godhead, offered different kinds of sacrifices, made charities and performed many welfare activities for the public such as growing banyan trees and excavating wells.
- 3 As a result of these pious activities, we have got back our child, even though He was supposed to be dead.
- 3 Now He has come back to enliven His relatives."

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- 3 After observing such wonderful happenings, Nanda Maharaja began to think of the words of Vasudeva again and again.
- 3 At that time many learned brahmanas came to NM's home
- 3 NM & MY worship and give seats
- 3 Brahmanas: NM, MY don't lament
- **ॐ** We will protect your son
- **3** He will live for a long time
- Brahmanas then performed yajna & worshipped the sacrificial fire (with new twigs, kusa grass, pure sacred water pots & Vedic prayers)
- **3** Thus established the protection of K
- 3 The brāhmaṇas said: May Lord Dāmodara protect Your feet.
- ³ May Lord Vistaraśravā protect Your knees.
- 3 May Lord Hari protect Your thighs.
- 3 May the Supreme Personality of Godhead protect Your navel.
- 3⁵ May the Lord of Rādhā protect Your hips.
- 3 May the Lord who wears yellow garments protect Your abdomen.
- 3 May the Lord whose navel is a lotus flower protect Your chest.
- 3 May the Lord who lifted Govardhana Hill protect Your arms.
- 3 May the Lord of Mathurā protect Your face.
- ₹ May the Lord of Dvārakā protect Your head.
- 3 May the Lord who kills the demons protect Your back.
- 3 May the Supreme Personality of Godhead give You all protection.

Sahasrāksa

- 🕉 Sahasrākṣa was a powerful king of Pāṇdu-deśa
- 3 Devotee of Hari
- **3** Follower of religion
- **3** Performer of yajnas

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- **3** Giver of charity
- 🕉 Would enjoy pastimes on banks of Revā with 1000 beautiful women
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- 3 One day Durvāsa Muni comes by
- 🕉 Sahasrākṣa did not bow down
- Therefore DM cursed: O evil-eyed one, become a demon
- 🕉 Sahasrāksa falls at feet
- 3 DM: The touch of K will give you liberation
- 🕉 Thus Sahasrākṣa became Trn

Vision of the universal form

- 3 MY picks K up from cradle after this incident
- 3 Yasoda once was nursing her child and patting Him with great affection, there streamed a profuse supply of milk from her breast
- 36 When she opened the mouth of the child with her fingers, she suddenly saw the universal manifestation within His mouth.
- 3 She saw within the mouth of Krsna the whole sky, including the luminaries,
- 3 stars in all directions,
- 3 the sun,
- 3 moon,
- 35 fire,
- 3⁵ air,
- 3 seas, 3 islands,
- 3 mountains.
- 🕉 rivers,
- Forests,
- 35 and all other movable and immovable entities.
- 3 Upon seeing this, mother Yasoda's heart began to throb,
- 3 And she murmured within herself, "How wonderful this is!" She could not express anything, but simply closed her eyes. She was absorbed in wonderful thoughts.
- From the memory was covered by yoga-maya, therefore could continue with lilas.

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