

Sri Dana-Nivartana-Kunda Astaka

*sva-dayita-giri-kacche gavya-danartham uccaih
kapata-kalaha-kelim kurvator navya-yunoh
nija-jana-krita-darpaih phullator iksake smin
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

"At the foot of their favorite hill, the youthful couple pretend to quarrel over Krsna's attempt to collect a tax on Radha's milk-products. The arrogant joking words to Their friends causes Radha-Krsna to blossom with pride. May that Dana-Nivartana Kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks."1

*nibhrtam a jani yasmad dana-nirvrttir asmin
ata idam abhidhanam prapa yet tat sabhayam
rasa-vimukha-nigudhe tatra taj-jnaika-vedye
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

"Sri Krsna enjoyed the tax pastime in a secluded place on the bank of this lake, thus it become known as Dana-nivartana-kunda. The truth of this lake remains hidden to person averse to the mellows of pure devotional service. May that Dana-nivartana kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks."2

*abhinava-madhu-gandhonmatta-rolamba-sangha-
dhvani-lalita-saroja-vrata-saurabhya-site
nava-madhura-khagali-ksveli-sancara-kamre
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

"It is cool and full of delightful fragrant lotuses and many beautiful birds, and vibrant with the humming of swarms of bees intoxicated by its sweet aroma. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda allow me to reside on her bank "3

*hima-kusama-suvasa-sphara-paniya- pure
rasa-parilasad-ali-salinor navya-yunoh
atula-salila-khela-labdha-saubhagya-phulle
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

" It is filled with cool water and fragrant flowers. It blossoms with good fortune attained from the peerless water pastime of the youthful couple and Their sweet friends. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks "4

*dara-viksaita-puspair vasetantar-dig-antah
khaga-madhupa-ninadair modita-prani-jatah
parita-upari yasya ksmaruha bhanti-tasmin
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

"It fill all directions with the sweet fragrance of newly blossomed flowers. Everyone becomes pleased by the singing of the birds and bees. It is surrounded by groves of splendid trees. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks."5

*nija-nija-nava-kunje gunji-rolamba-puje
pranayi-nava-sakhibhish sampravesya priyau tau
nirupama-nava-rangs tanyate yatra tasmin
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

" Accompanied by Their affectionate young friends, Radha-Krsna enter the nearby forest groves filled with newly blossoming flowers and humming bees and enjoy ever-fresh pastimes. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda allow me to reside on the bank of her."6

*sphatika-samam atuccham yasya paniyam accham
khaga-na a-pasu-gobhish sampibantibhir uccaih
nija-jana-guna-vrddhir labhyate drag amusmin
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana nivartane nah*

"By deeply drinking its water, birds, animals, cows and humans at once attain all transcendental virtues. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks."7

*surabhi-madhura-sitam yat-payah praty-aham tah
sakhi-gana-parivito vyaharan payayan gah
svayam atha pibati sri-gopa-candro pi tasmin
sarasi bhavatu vaso dana-nivartane nah*

"Every day, as He converses with His friends, the moon of the gopas makes the surabhi cows drink its sweet, aromatic and cool water, and when they have finished, He Himself drinks. May that Dana-nivartana-kunda kindly allow me to reside on her banks."8

*pathari su-matir etad dana-nivartanakhyam
prathita-mahima-kundasyastamkam yo yatatma
sa ca niyata-nivasam susthu samlabhya kale
kalayati kila radha-krsnayor dana-lilam*

"A self-controlled person who recites these eight verses glorifying Dana-nivartana-kunda will attain an eternal residence on her banks and directly witness the tax pastimes of Sri Sri Radha-Krsna."9