43. Story of Ambareedan

Ambareedan was a king who appeared in the Katiravan clan. He had done penance towards Nedumala for a long time and attained great virtues. He is the best fly. Whoever comes and asks for anything, he will give without fail. Seeing his generosity, all the poor respected him as their own life. El Lor also



puts the same food as he eats. He fasts every Ekadasi: at the end of the fast he performs sixty Kodanaj. On Duvadasi he eats with many people. A pilgrim came. He wanted to keep him with him and take food. He went to bathe in Kalindiyar. He was waiting for his arrival. The sage did not come at the appointed time. Thinking that he should not miss the fast, he drank some water. Then came Dhruvasara. The king knew that he had drunk the water. He squealed wit toy before I came. Out of his penitential pride, he made a goblin and launched it at the king. Apodam came to kill the king. Then, due to the king's generosity, the

royal army came into the hands of the king. The king killed Apood with the force. Then the army chased the sage intending to kill him. The sage was afraid. It continued. The sage said that he should run to Tirumal and save himself. Thirumal said, "We cannot save you. He fled to Ambarita himself and took shelter; You will perish today," he said. Dhruvasara reached Ambarita and took refuge. He said that he should be saved. The army also left. Dhruvasara was amazed at the excellence achieved by Ambarita by the pride of the gift. Ambarita understood well that the merit of penance is second only to the merit of penance and the merit of quenching the hunger of those who are hungry.

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