

10. COW! THE BELOVED MOTHER OF ALL.

MANY GEMS EMERGED WHEN THE SEAS WERE CHURNED -
UCHCHAISHRAVĀ HORSE, ERĀVAT ELEPHANT, LAKSHMI,
KĀMDHENU COW, DHANVANTARI VAIDYA* AND AMRIT **

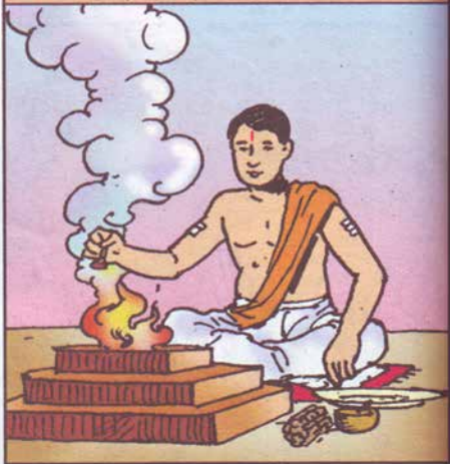


WHENEVER EARTH WAS IN TROUBLE, SHE WOULD TAKE THE FORM OF A COW AND PRAY WITH GREAT DEVOTION TO PLEASE GOD. THIS IS WHY; MOTHER EARTH IS ALSO CALLED GO.



THE COW REPRESENTS MOTHER EARTH WHOLLY, SO SAVING THE COW MEANS SAVING THE EARTH. SCIENTISTS MUST STUDY THIS TOO.

GHEE, MILK, GOMAY, GOMUTRA OF THE COW IS ESSENTIALLY USED IN PUJĀS AND THE HAVAN.

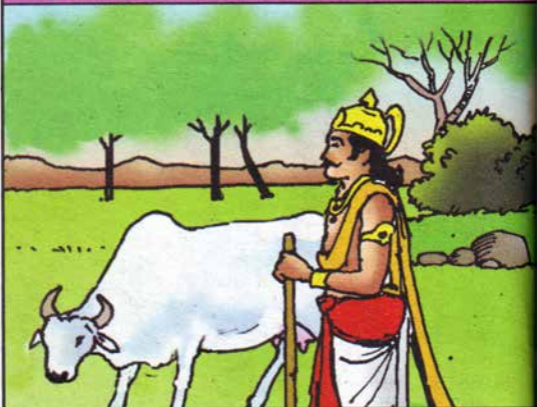


LORD SHIVA RIDES
THE NANDI (BULL) WHEREAS

YAMRĀJ - THE GOD OF DEATH,
RIDES THE MALE BUFFALO.



KING DILIP, SERVED THE COW CALLED NANDINI WITH
THE DESIRE TO HAVE CHILDREN.



NANDINI WANTED TO TEST THE KING. JUST AS THE
KING'S ATTENTION WAS DIVERTED, SUDDENLY...

A LION, THE CARRIER OF MĀ DURGĀ, ATTACKED.

O KING LION ! PLEASE
SPARE MOTHER NANDINI;
INSTEAD YOU MAY
EAT ME.

O KING ! YOU BEAR THE RESPONSIBI-
LITY OF THE ENTIRE STATE. IT
WOULD BE SINFUL TO SACRIFICE
A KING FOR A COW. WITH MY
BLESSINGS, YOU WILL HAVE
CHILDREN, NOW
YOU MAY GO.

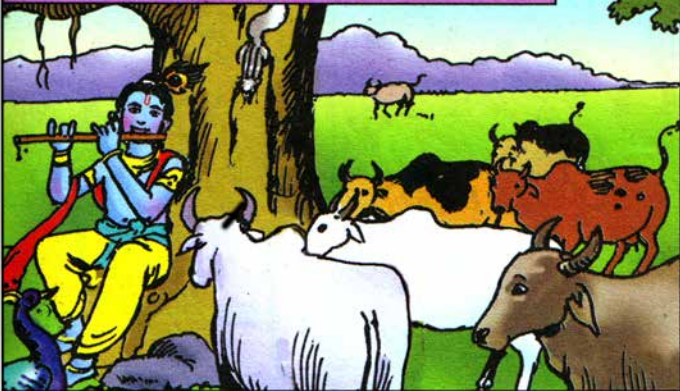


BUT THE KING DID NOT MOVE.

NANDINI
WAS
PLEASED
AND
OWING
TO HER
BLESSING,
GLORIOUS
RAGHU
WAS
BORN. LORD
RĀMA,
WAS
BORN IN
THE
RAGHU-
VANSH
DYNASTY.

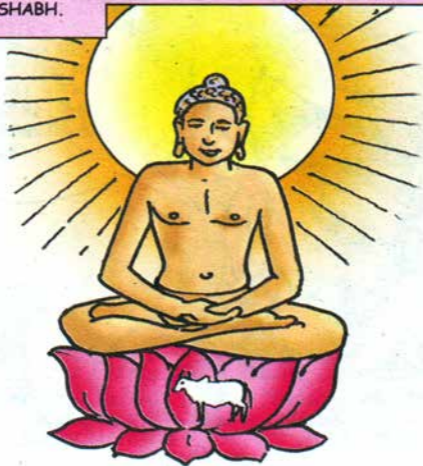


LORD KRISHNA REARED COWS - SO HE BECAME GOPĀLAK
(PĀLAK MEANS A PARENT) AND THEREFORE GOPĀL.



THE MELODY OF THE FLUTE KEEPS THE COWS HAPPY AND HEALTHY, THUS
YIELDING MORE MILK. THIS SCIENCE WAS REVEALED BY KRISHNA.

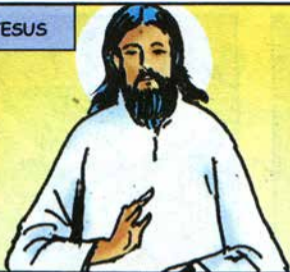
RISHABHDEV, THE FIRST JAIN TIRTHANKAR, TAUGHT PEOPLE TO DO FARMING WITH THE BULLOCKS. SO, BULLOCKS ARE ALSO CALLED RISHABH.



BUDDHA SAID

JUST LIKE
OUR FAMILY
MEMBERS,
THE COW IS
A DEAR FRIEND.
SHE IS THE
ORIGINATOR
OF
MEDICINES.

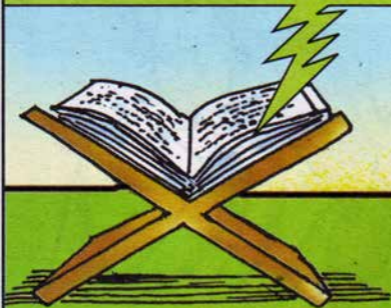
JESUS



"HE THAT KILLETH AN OX AS IF
HE'S SLEW A MAN" (ISAIAH 66.3)



HOLY KORAN SAYS
NEITHER THEIR MEAT, NOR THEIR BLOOD
REACHES TO ALLAH. ONLY COMPASSION
REACHES HIM (22.37)




"BEEF IS AN ILLNESS (MARZ), ITS MILK IS PURE (SAPHĀ) AND HEALTHY AND ITS GHEE IS A MEDICINE." (ALGHAZALI, THE 11TH CENTURY FOUNDER OF ISLAMIC ACADEMY)

YAHĪ DEHU ĀGYĀ, TURK GĀHAI KHAPĀUN
GAU GHĀTKA DOSH, JUG SIU MITĀUN
YAHĪ ĀS PURAN KARO TUM HAMĀRI
CHHOOTEY KASHT GAIYAN, MITEY KHED BHĀRI.

ALL THE BRAVE SOLDIERS WHO BECAME SIKHS
WERE ORDERED BY GURU GOVIND SINGH THUS -
WIPE OUT THE COW KILLER MUGHALS AND GET
RID OF THE ACCUSATION OF COW-SLAUGHTER.
FULFILL MY WISH TO SAVE THE COW FROM
TORTURE AND BRING AN END TO OUR SORROW.

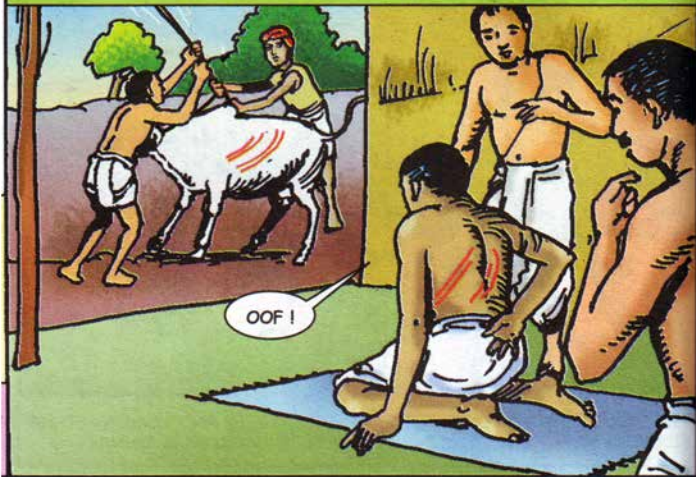




COW'S MILK
CAN SATISFY 25,740
PEOPLE'S HUNGER
IN HER LIFETIME.
WHEREAS BEEF
CAN SATISFY,
AT A TIME,
THE HUNGER
OF 80 PEOPLE
ONLY.

'GO-KARUNĀNIDHI', A GREAT BOOKLET WRITTEN BY SWAMI DAYĀNANDA SARASWATI, WAS A SLAP IN THE FACE OF THE BRITISH FOR THE WRONG PROPAGANDA BY THEM.

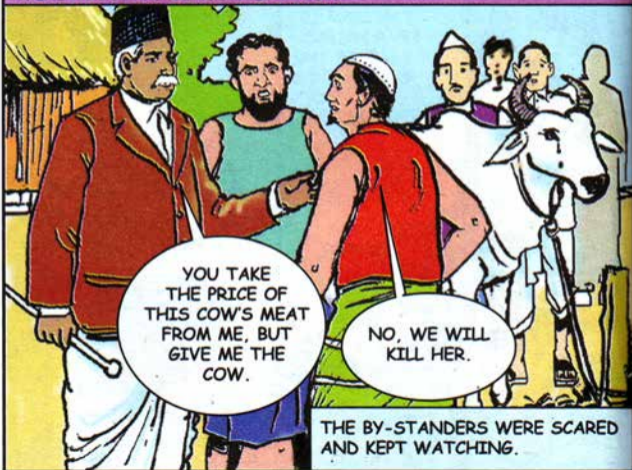
WHEN A BULLOCK WAS CANED, MARKS OF THE CANE APPEARED ON THE BACK OF SWAMI RAMAKRISHNA PARAMHANSA.



I AM NOT INTERESTED
IN SWARĀJYA, WHERE
COWS ARE BEING
SLAUGHTERED.



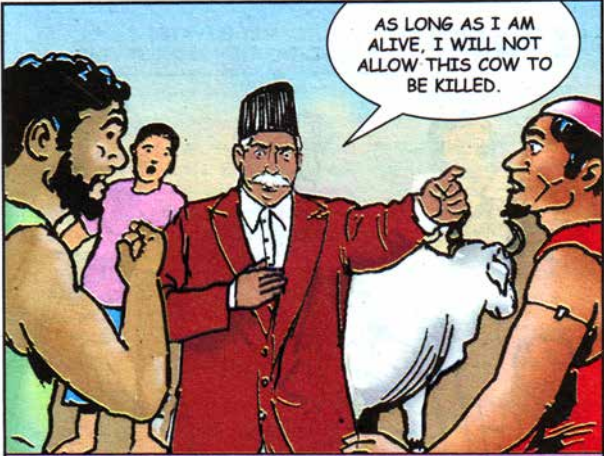
DR. HEDGEWĀR, THE FOUNDER OF THE LARGEST VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION, THE RSS, SAID THIS TO THE BUTCHERS WHO WERE ABOUT TO SLAUGHTER A COW



YOU TAKE
THE PRICE OF
THIS COW'S MEAT
FROM ME, BUT
GIVE ME THE
COW.

NO, WE WILL
KILL HER.

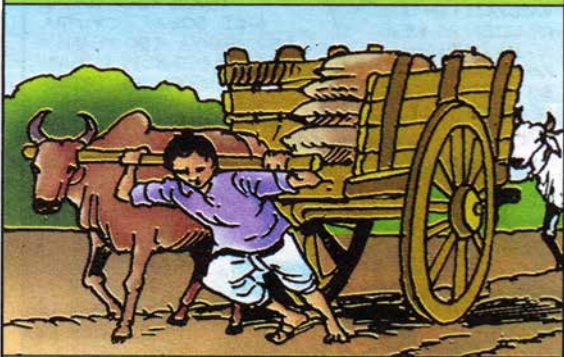
THE BY-STANDERS WERE SCARED
AND KEPT WATCHING.



AS LONG AS I AM
ALIVE, I WILL NOT
ALLOW THIS COW TO
BE KILLED.

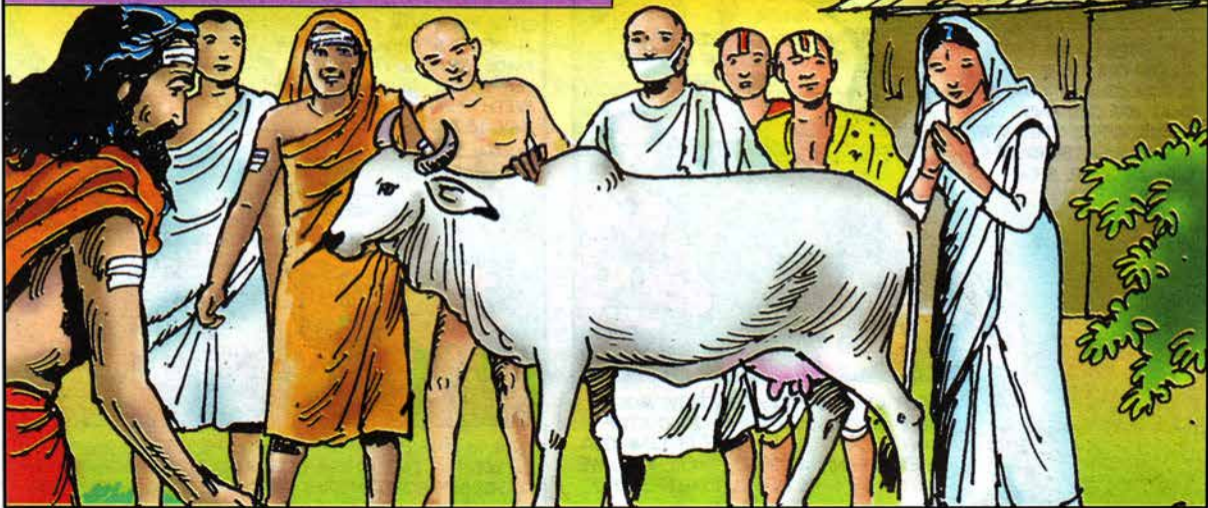
ON SEEING HIS DETERMINATION TO SAVE HER, EVEN TO LAY
DOWN HIS LIFE, THE BUTCHERS WERE FRIGHTENED. THEY
TOOK THE MONEY INSTEAD AND LEFT THE COW.

A YOUTH, NAMED SHRIRĀM SHARMĀ, UNTIED THE COW MEANT TO PULL A BULLOCK-CART AND DROVE IT, 10 KMS. HIMSELF.



IN HIS ENTIRE 24 YEARS' PENANCE HE CHANTED THE GĀYATRI MANTRA AND LIVED ON TAKRA AND BARLEY COLLECTED FROM GOMAY. HE INSPIRED LACS OF YOUTHS TO SERVE THE SOCIETY.

THE COW WAS DEARLY LOVED BY GREAT SAINTS OF ALL TIMES.



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