

Coming to Nepal, 1972 #2 (DN-9)

narrative

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Durga typed this narrative text in romanised IPA on an English typewriter and describes our travels for our first trip to Kathmandu, Nepal to work on Halbi where there was ready access to linguistic consultants.¹

Our journey was very long as we travelled by bus from Jagdalpur to Raipur then caught the train to Calcutta, and then another train from there to Patna. In Patna we bought tickets to fly the last leg to Kathmandu.

A.1 Free Translation of Text

1. *This is about our coming to Nepal.*
2. *We are people of Madhya Pradesh, Bastar district, Jagdalpur sub-division.*
3. *Fran Bai had gone to bring us on Friday at 2 o'clock.*
4. *Therefore we two and Budae and Sukuntula and Tetergurin and Khuti Mama and Narin came to the city (Jagdalpur). We slept there one night, and half of them went to Dongri village and half stayed in the city.*
5. *And we came to Raipur, three of us on the express (bus).*
6. *That vehicle kept breaking down.*
7. *We arrived in Raipur around 3 o'clock. And again we came to the railway station in a rickshaw. And Bai got tickets for sitting and sleeping. Then we climbed on the 10 o'clock train and we came to Calcutta.*
8. *And again we came to Patna, on the 7 o'clock train for one night.*
9. *We arrived in the morning and again we were going in one rickshaw. That rickshaw driver said. He said, "Bai, give me 6 rupees."*
10. *Therefore we got off (the rickshaw) and we walked to the airline office to get tickets.*
11. *And we got tickets and again we went to the airport in a bus for the 11 o'clock flight.*
12. *Later those people stood in two lines. One line for ladies and one line for men. For the ladies there were ladies (to do the checking) and for the men there were men.*
13. *On the way, and one by one they let us go and they checked our pockets. Knives and cameras and whatever else they had taken.*
14. *And later we came to Kathmandu. And we descended (from the plane) and again they checked suitcases and whatever else (we had) at that airport.*
15. *Danny's parents had gone to bring (us) after having gotten a taxi. Afterwards we came to the house. And the ladies who lived upstairs gave us tea and snacks, therefore we ate. And Becca's mother came with Becca to bring us (to their house) to eat dinner.*
16. *Having seen us everyone became very happy.*
17. *And we went and we ate dhal and rice and whatever else. And how the ladies talked together, until 12 o'clock! And later Becca's father brought us (back) and he went. And we slept and having gotten up in the morning we had breakfast.*
18. *That's all, Bai. It's finished.*

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A.2 Coming to Nepal, 1972 #2 Interlinear

DN-9:1

आमचो एतो बेरा चो गोट आए।
amtʃo eto bera tʃo goʃ ae
POSSPRON ADJ N PRT N EQ
we=POSS come-ADJR time =POSS speech is.3S

This is about our coming to Nepal.

DN-9:2

आमी मधेआ प्रदेस जीला बस्तर तहसील जगदलपूर चो लोग आऊं।
ami mədʰea prədes dʒila bəstər təhsil dʒəgdəlpur tʃo log aũ
PPRON PN N PN N PN PRT N EQ
we-EMP Madhya Pradesh district Bastar sub-division Jagdalpur =POSS people is.1P

We are people of Madhya Pradesh, Bastar district, Jagdalpur sub-division.

DN-9:3

आमके फ्रेन बाई आनूकलाए जाऊ रोली सूकरवार दिने, दूई बजे।
amke pʰren bai anuklae dʒau roli sukərwar dine dui bəʒe
PRON PN N V V N N NUM N
we-GOL Fran lady bring-INF-PURP go-CONJ.COMP-be-3S.NM.PC Friday day-EMP two o'clock

Fran Bai had gone to bring us on Friday at 2 o'clock.

DN-9:4.1

तेबे आमी दूई ज्ञान आऊर बूदाए आऊर सूकूनतूला आऊर तैतरगूडीन आऊर
tebe ami dui dʒʰan aur budae aur sukuntula aur tetərgurɪn aur
CONJ PPRON NUM CLSS CONJ PN CONJ PN CONJ PN CONJ
therefore we-EMP two person and Budae and Sukuntula and Tetergurin and

खूटी मामा आऊर नरीन ईलू सहरो।
kʰuʈi mama aur nərin ilu səhəre
PN CONJ PN V N

Khuti Mama and Narin come-1P.PTC city-in

Therefore we two and Budae and Sukuntula and Tetergurin and Khuti Mama and Narin came to the city (Jagdalpur).

DN-9:4.2

एक राती सोऊलू आऊर हून मन आदो डोंगरी गूड़ा गेला आऊर आदो सहरो
ek rati soulu aur hun mən ado dʒŋri guṛa gela aur ado səhəre
NUM N V CONJ PPRON NUM PN V CONJ NUM N
one night-EMP sleep-1P.PTC and they half Dongri village go-3P.PTC and half city-in

ठेबला।
tʰebɭa
V

stay-3P.PTC

We slept there one night, and half of them went to Dongri village and half stayed in the city.

DN-9:5

आऊर आमी राएपूर ईलू, तीन ज्ञान ईसपेरेस ने।
aur ami raepur ilu tin dʒʰan isperes ne
CONJ PPRON PN V NUM CLSS N POSTP
and we-EMP Raipur come-1P.PTC three person express =LOC

And we came to Raipur, three of us on the express (bus).

DN-9:6

हून मोठर अएसा नसली।

hun moʈʰər əsa nəli

DEM N ADJ IT

that vehicle much break down-3S.NM.PC

That vehicle kept breaking down.

DN-9:7.1

राएपूर ने छए बजे असन अमरलू।

raepur ne tʃʰə bədʒe əsən əmərɭu

PN POSTP NUM N ADV V

Raipur =LOC six o'clock like this arrive-1P.PTC

We arrived in Raipur around 3 o'clock.

DN-9:7.2

आऊर फेर रेल ईसटेसन ईलू रीकसा ने।

aur pʰer rel iʃtəsən ilu riksa ne

CONJ ADV N V N POSTP

and again railway station come-1P.PTC rickshaw =LOC

And again we came to the railway station in a rickshaw.

DN-9:7.3

आऊर टिकट कटाली बाई बोसतो काजे आऊर सोऊतो काजे।

aur tɪkəʈ kətali bai bosto kadʒe aur souʈo kadʒe

CONJ N V N ADJ POSTP CONJ ADJ POSTP

and ticket obtain-OPT.2P-3S.NM.PC lady sit-ADJR for and sleeping for

And Bai got tickets for sitting and sleeping.

DN-9:7.4

तेबे दस बजे चो गाड़ी ने चेलू आऊर कलकता ने ईलू।

tebe dəs bədʒe tʃo gaɽi ne tʃeglu aur kəlkəʈa ne ilu

CONJ NUM N PRT N POSTP V CONJ PN POSTP V

then ten o'clock =POSS train =LOC climb-1P.PTC and Calcutta =LOC come-1P.PTC

Then we climbed on the 10 o'clock train and we came to Calcutta.

DN-9:7.5

एक रात आऊर एक मोजन चेलू।

ek rat aur ek mōdʒən tʃeglu

NUM N CONJ NUM N V

one night and one all day climb-1P.PTC

We were on the train for a night and a day.

DN-9:8

आऊर फेर ईलू पाटना ने, सात बजे चो गाड़ी ने एक रात।

aur pʰer ilu paʈna ne sat bədʒe tʃo gaɽi ne ek rat

CONJ ADV V PN POSTP NUM N PRT N POSTP NUM N

and again come-1P.PTC Patna =LOC seven o'clock =POSS train =LOC one night

And again we came to Patna, on the 7 o'clock train for one night.

DN-9:9.1

बीआने अमरलू आऊर फेर गोदोक रीकसा ने जाते रोलू।

biane əmərɭu aur pʰer goʈok riksa ne dʒate rolu

N V CONJ ADV NUM N POSTP V

morning-EMP arrive-1P.PTC and again one rickshaw =LOC go-CONJ.INC-be-1P.PTC

We arrived in the morning and again we were going in one rickshaw.

DN-9:9.2

हून रीकसा बीता बोललो।
 hun riksa bita bollo
 DEM N CLSS V
 that rickshaw person(M) say-PTC.3S.M
 That rickshaw driver said.

DN-9:9.3

"बाई, मोके छए रूपेआ दीआस," बोललो।
 bai moke tʃʰæ rupea dias bollo
 VOC PPRON NUM N V V
 Bai I-GOL six rupee give-IMP.P say-PTC.3S.M
 He said, "Bai, give me 6 rupees."

DN-9:10

तेबे आमी ऊतरलू आऊर हीडते गेलू, जाहाज चो टिकट
 tebe ami utərlu aur hīḍte gelu dzahadʒ tʃo tɪkət
 CONJ PPRON V CONJ V V N PRT N
 therefore we-EMP descend-1P.PTC and walk-CONJ.INC go-1P.PTC aeroplane =POSS ticket

काटतो घरो।
 kaṭto gʰəre
 TR N
 draw-ADJR house=LOC

Therefore we got off (the rickshaw) and we walked to the airline office to get tickets.

DN-9:11

आऊर टिकट काटालू आऊर फेर बस ने जाहाज चो ईसटेसन गेलू आऊर
 aur tɪkət kaṭalu aur pʰer bəs ne dzahadʒ tʃo istesən gelu aur
 CONJ N CV CONJ ADV N POSTP N PRT N V CONJ
 and ticket cut (cause)-1P.PTC and again bus =LOC aeroplane =POSS station go-1P.PTC and

ईगारा बजे चो जाहाज ने।
 igara bəɖʒe tʃo dzahadʒ ne
 NUM N PRT N POSTP
 eleven o'clock =POSS aeroplane =LOC

And we got tickets and again we went to the airport in a bus for the 11 o'clock flight.

DN-9:12.1

पासे हून बीता मन दूई पाट ऊबा करला।
 pase hun bita mən dui paṭ uba kərɭa
 ADV DEM CLSS PRT N ADJ V
 later that person person(M) =PL both sides vertical do-3P.PTC
 Later those people stood in two lines.

DN-9:12.2

गोटोक पाट बाएले आऊर गोटोक पाट मोनूक मन के।
 goṭok paṭ baele aur goṭok paṭ monuk mən ke
 NUM ADV N CONJ NUM ADV N PRT CASE
 one side woman and one side MAN =PL GOL
 One line for ladies and one line for men.

DN-9:12.3

बाएले मन बाटे बाएले मन रोहोत आऊर मोनूक मन बाटे मोनूक मन
 baele mən baṭe baele mən rohot aur monuk mən baṭe monuk mən
 N PRT N N PRT V CONJ N PRT N N PRT
 woman =PL direction=LOC woman =PL be-3S and MAN =PL direction=LOC MAN =PL

रोहोत।

rohot

V

be-3S

For the ladies there were ladies (to do the checking) and for the men there were men.

DN-9:13.1

बाटे	आऊर	एकलाहान	एकलाहान	के	जाऊक	देओत	आऊर	जब	मन	के
baṭe	aur	eklahan	eklahan	ke	dʒauk	deot	aur	dʒəb	mən	ke
N	ADJ	ADV	ADV	CASE	V	TR	CONJ	N	PRT	CASE
direction=LOC	other	by themselves	by themselves	GOL	go-INF	give-3P	and	pocket	=PL	GOL

दकूआत।

dakuat

V

look-3P.F2

On the way, and one by one they let us go and they checked our pockets.

DN-9:13.2

छूरी	आऊर	केमरा	काए काए	मन	के	आपून	मन	धरूआत।
tʃʰuri	aur	kemra	kae kae	mən	ke	apun	mən	dʰəruat
N	CONJ	N	REL	PRT	CASE	PRON	PRT	V
small knife	and	camera	whatever	=PL	GOL	one's self	=PL	take hold-3P.F2

Knives and cameras and whatever else they had taken.

DN-9:14.1

आऊर	पासे	खटमँडू	ने	ईलू।
aur	pase	kʰəʈməṇḍu	ne	ilu
CONJ	ADV	PN	POSTP	V
and	later	Kathmandu	=LOC	come-1P.PTC

And later we came to Kathmandu.

DN-9:14.2

आऊर	ऊतरलू	आऊर	फेर	जाच करला	पेटी	आऊर	काए काए	के	हून
aur	utərɭu	aur	pʰer	dʒatʃ kərɭa	peṭi	aur	kae kae	ke	hun
CONJ	V	CONJ	ADV	V	N	CONJ	REL	CASE	DEM
and	descend-1P.PTC	and	again	check-3P.PTC	suitcase	and	whatever	GOL	that

जाहाज ईसटेसन ने।

dʒahadʒ iʃtəsən ne

N

POSTP

airport

=LOC

And we descended (from the plane) and again they checked suitcases and whatever else (we had) at that airport.

DN-9:15.1

देनी	चो	आएआ बाबा	जानू	जाऊ रोहोत	आनूकलाए	गोटोक	टेकसी
deni	tʃo	aea baba	dʒanu	dʒau rohot	anuklae	goʈok	teksi
PERNM	PRT	N	PRT	V	V	NUM	N
Danny	=POSS	parents	focus	go-CONJ.COMP-be-3S	bring-INF-PURP	one	taxi

धरून

dʰərʊn

V

take hold-CONJ.COMP

बाती।

bati

N

after

Danny's parents had gone to bring (us) after having gotten a taxi.

DN-9:15.2

पासे आमी ईलू घरो।
 pase ami ilu g^hare
 ADV PPRON V N
 later we-EMP come-1P.PTC house=LOC

Afterwards we came to the house.

DN-9:15.3

आऊर ऊपर चो बाई मन चाहा आलू चीवड़ा आऊर केरा काए काए दीला
 aur upər tʃo bai mən tʃaha alu tʃiwɽa aur kera kae kae dila
 CONJ POSTP PRT N PRT N N N CONJ N REL V
 and above =POSS lady =PL tea potato rice snack and banana whatever give-3P.PTC

तेवे खादलू।
 tebe k^hadlu
 CONJ V

therefore eat-1P.PTC

And the ladies who lived upstairs gave us tea and snacks, therefore we ate

DN-9:15.4

आऊर बेका चो आएआ ईली बेका सँगे आमके आनूकलाए खाना
 aur beka tʃo aea ili beka s̄nge amke anuklae k^hana
 CONJ PN PRT N V PN POSTP PRON V N
 and Becca =POSS mother come-3S.NM.PC Becca with-EMP we-GOL bring-INF-PURP eat-NOM

खातो काजे।
 k^hato kadze
 ADJ POSTP

eat-ADJR for

And Becca's mother came with Becca to bring us (to their house) to eat dinner.

DN-9:16

आमके दकून अएसा हरीक होली।
 amke dəkun əesa h̄arik holi
 PRON V ADJ V
 we-GOL see-CONJ.COMP much become happy-3S.NM.PC

Having seen us everyone became very happy.

DN-9:17.1

आऊर आमी गेलू भात दार काए काए खादलू।
 aur ami gelu b^hat dar kae kae k^hadlu
 CONJ PPRON V N N REL V
 and we-EMP go-1P.PTC rice (cooked) lentils whatever eat-1P.PTC

And we went and we ate dhal and rice and whatever else.

DN-9:17.2

आऊर बाई मन अएसा गोठेआला बारा बजतले।
 aur bai mən əesa go^theala bara bədzət̄le
 CONJ N PRT ADJ V NUM V
 and lady =PL much converse-3P.PTC twelve sound-until

And how the ladies talked together, until 12 o'clock!

DN-9:17.3

आऊर पासे बेका चो बाबा आनून दीलो आऊर गेलो।
 aur pase beka tʃo baba anun dilo aur gelo
 CONJ ADV PN PRT N V CONJ V
 and later Becca =POSS father bring-CONJ.COMP-BEN-PTC.3S.M and go-PTC.3S.M

And later Becca's father brought us (back) and he went.

DN-9:17.4

आऊर आमी सोऊलू आऊर बीआने ऊटून नासता करलू।
 aur ami soulu aur biane uṭun nasta kərlu
 CONJ PPRON V CONJ N V N V
 and we-EMP sleep-1P.PTC and morning-in get up-CONJ.COMP breakfast do-1P.PTC
And we slept and having gotten up in the morning we had breakfast.

DN-9:18.1

हूत्ली आए, बाई।
 hutli ae bai
 ADV EQ VOC
 that small amount is.3S Bai
That's all, Bai.

DN-9:18.2

सरली।
 sərli
 V
 finish-3S.NM.PC
It's finished.

Abbreviations

1P	=	first person, singular
2P	=	second person, singular
3S	=	third person, plural
3P	=	third person, singular
ADJ	=	adjective
ADJR	=	adjectiviser
ADV	=	adverb(ial)
BEN	=	benefactive
CASE	=	case marker
CLSS	=	classifier
COMP	=	complete
CONJ	=	conjunctive
CV	=	compound verb
DEM	=	demonstrative
EMP	=	emphatic marker
EQ	=	equative
F2	=	future 2
GOL	=	goal marker
IMP	=	imperative
INC	=	incomplete
INF	=	infinitive
IT	=	intransitive
LOC	=	locative
M	=	human male
MAN	=	manner
N	=	noun
NM	=	non human-male
NOM	=	nominaliser
NUM	=	cardinal number
OPT	=	optative

P	=	plural
PC	=	present complete
PERNM	=	personal name
PL	=	pluraliser
PN	=	proper noun
POSS	=	possessive particle
POSSPRON	=	possessive pronoun
POSTP	=	post position
PPRON	=	personal pronoun
PRON	=	pronoun
PRT	=	particle
PTC	=	past complete
PURP	=	purpose marker
REL	=	relative marker
TR	=	transitive
V	=	verb
VOC	=	vocative