

About a Fight (DN-12)

narrative

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A short text written by Chingaru over an uproar over the *mala* neck string.¹ This particular *mala* is made from a small roll of copper and contains a small piece of paper on which are written some things of a religious nature. Durga wrote about the same event in a bit more detail in *A Fight over Neck Strings #2 (DN-8)*

A.1 Free Translation of Text

1. *This is a small speech.*
2. *In our Bastar district there are many drunkards.*
3. *They are fighting about making the mala neck string. And they are ripping off the mala neckstrings and they are throwing them away. And they are saying. They are saying, "The king is no more."*
4. *They are saying, "Anyone who goes (there), we will beat them again and again." And they will wait on the way. And they will say, "You had gone to the father's place."*
5. *Why are they angry?*
6. *The people of Deur Village said to them, "What's the deal?" Then they got angry (and) wherever it was they heard.*
7. *And one day they came and they uprooted a banyan tree and they threw it away. And they beat up the people who were there.*
8. *That's it, Bai, it's finished.*

A.2 About a Fight Interlinear

DN-12:1

ए गोटोक नानी असन गोट आए।
e goʈok nani əsən goʈ ae
DEM NUM ADJ ADV N EQ
this one younger like this speech is.3S
This is a small speech.

DN-12:2

आमचो बस्तर जीला ने एसा मोतवार मन आसोत।
amtʃo bəstər dʒila ne əsa motwar mən asot
POSSPRON PN N POSTP ADJ N PRT ST
we=POSS Bastar district =LOC much drunkard(M) =PL is.3P
In our Bastar district there are many drunkards.

DN-12:3.1

माला बाँदलो काजे मारा पेटा करसोत।
mala bādlo kadʒe mara peʈa kərsot
N ADJ POSTP V
necklace tie-ADJR for fight together-3P.PINC
The are fighting about making the mala neckstring.

¹Text typed by Chingaru Ram Baghel, 1972. Researcher: Fran Woods.

DN-12:3.2

आऊर माला मन के टूटाएसोत आऊर पोकाएसोत।
 aur mala mən ke tūtaesot aur pokaesot
 CONJ N PRT CASE V CONJ V

and necklace =PL GOL break off-3P.PINC and throw out-3P.PINC

And they are ripping off the mala neckstrings and they are throwing them away.

DN-12:3.3

आऊर बोलसोत।
 aur bolsot
 CONJ V

and say-3P.PINC

And they are saying.

DN-12:3.4

"राजा नी आए," बोलसोत।
 radʒa ni ae bolsot
 N NEG EQ V

king not is.3S say-3P.PINC

They are saying, "The king is no more."

DN-12:4.1

"कोनी बोले गेलोने मारते मरूआऊँ, मारते मरूआऊँ," बोलसोत।
 koni bole gelone marte maruaũ marte maruaũ bolsot
 PRON ADV V V V V V V

anyone also go-COND=TEMP hit-CONJ.INC hit-1P.F2 hit-CONJ.INC hit-1P.F2 say-3P.PINC

They are saying, "Anyone who goes (there), we will beat them again and again."

DN-12:4.2

आऊर बाटे रोऊआत।
 aur baṭe rouat
 CONJ N ST

and direction=LOC stay-3P.F2

And they will wait on the way.

DN-12:4.3

आऊर बोलूआत," "बाबा लगे जाऊ रोलासा।"
 aur boluat baba læge dʒau rolas
 CONJ V N N V

and say-3P.F2 father place=LOC go-CONJ.COMP-be-2P.PTC

And they will say, "You had gone to the father's place."²

DN-12:5

हून मन काए काजे रीस होएसोत?
 hun mən kae kadʒe ris hoesot
 PPRON REL V

they why be angry-3P.PINC

Why are they angry?

DN-12:6.1

हून मन के देऊरगाँव चो लोग हून मन के काई होओ बोलला।
 hun mən ke deurgāw tʃo log hun mən ke kaĩ hoo bolla
 PPRON CASE PN PRT N PPRON CASE PPRON V V

they GOL Deur village =POSS people they GOL anything become-3S.OPT say-3P.PTC

The people of Deur Village said to them, "What's the deal?"

²"Father" may be a reference to the king.

DN-12:6.2

तेबे हून मन रीस होला कोनी लगे होओ सूनला।
 tebe hun mən ris hola koni læge hoo sunla
 CONJ PPRON V PRON N V V
 then they be angry-3P.PTC any place=LOC become-3S.OPT hear-3P.PTC
 Then they got angry (and) wherever it was they heard.

DN-12:7.1

आऊर एक दीन ईला आऊर बोड़ रूक के ऊकनला आऊर
 aur ek din ila aur boṛ ruk ke ukənla aur
 CONJ NUM N V CONJ N N CASE V CONJ
 and one day come-3P.PTC and banyan tree tree GOL uproot-3P.PTC and

पोकान दीला।

pokan dila

V

throw out-CONJ.COMP-give-3P.PTC

And one day they came and they uprooted a banyan tree and they threw it away.

DN-12:7.2

आऊर हूता चो रोलो लोग मन के खूब मारला।
 aur huta tʃo rolo log mən ke k^hub marla
 CONJ ADV PRT ADJ N CASE ADV V
 and there =POSS be-ADJR people GOL much hit-3P.PTC
 And they beat up the people who were there.

DN-12:8

ईत्ली आए बे बाई सरली।
 itli ae be bai sərli
 ADJ V VOC V
 this much is.3S-AB Bai finish-3S.NM.PC
 That's it, Bai, it's finished.

Abbreviations

1P	=	first person, singular
2P	=	second person, singular
3S	=	third person, plural
3P	=	third person, singular
AB	=	ablative
ADJ	=	adjective
ADJR	=	adjectiviser
ADV	=	adverb(ial)
CASE	=	case marker
COMP	=	complete
COND	=	condition
CONJ	=	conjunctive
DEM	=	demonstrative
EQ	=	equative
F2	=	future 2
GOL	=	goal marker
INC	=	incomplete
LOC	=	locative
M	=	human male

N	=	noun
NEG	=	negation, negative
NM	=	non human-male
NUM	=	cardinal number
OPT	=	optative
PC	=	present complete
PINC	=	present incomplete
PL	=	pluraliser
PN	=	proper noun
POSS	=	possessive particle
POSSPRON	=	possessive pronoun
POSTP	=	post position
PPRON	=	personal pronoun
PRON	=	pronoun
PRT	=	particle
PTC	=	past complete
REL	=	relative marker
ST	=	stative
TEMP	=	temporal particle
V	=	verb
VOC	=	vocative