



MAHAMEVNAWA

Buddhist Monastery - Toronto

Paying Homage to All the Sacred Relics of the Supreme Buddha at the Same Time

1. Samatta buddhakicco so, kusinārāya nibbuto
Dhātubhedamabhedañca, adhiṭṭhāya mahādayo

*After the Blessed One completed his duty and attained parinibbana in Kusinara,
All the holy relics were divided according to the Blessed One's wishes*

2. Uṇhīsaṃ caturodāṭhā, akkhakādvēca sattimā
Asambhinnāca tā sabbā, sesā bhinnāca dhātuyo

*The forehead bone, four teeth, and two collar bones, all together seven Buddha relics,
Not broken into small pieces. The rest were broken into small pieces.*

3. Bhinnamuggappamāṇā ca, bhinnataṇḍulasannibhā
Mahantā majjhimā ceva, khuddikā sāsapūpamā

*The big pieces, and middle size pieces were broken into the size of green gram and broken rice
grains.
The small pieces were broken into pieces the size of mustard seeds.*

4. Mahantā suvaṇṇavaṇṇāca, majjhimā muttikappabhā
Khuddikā kundavaṇṇāca, sabbā vandāmi dhātuyo

*The bigger pieces were a gold color. The middle size pieces were the color of pearls.
The smaller size pieces were the color of jasmine. I worship all of the Blessed One's relics with
respect.*

5. Mahantā pañca nālī ca, majjhimā pañca nāḷica
Cha nālī khuddikā ceva, sabbā vandāmi dhātuyo

*Of the large pieces there were five vessels worth. Of the middle size pieces also five.
Of the small size there were six. I worship all of the Blessed One's relics with respect.*

6. Aṭṭhadoṇaṃ cakkhumato sarīre, satta doṇaṃ jambudīpe mahenti
Ekaṃ ca doṇaṃ purisavaruttamassa, rāmagāme nāgarājā mahenti

*There were eight portions of relics of the One with Vision. Of these, seven stayed in India with
honor.
The eighth portion of the most noble one is in Rāmagāma honoured by nāga kings.*

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