

## Kakhandaki Shri Mahipathi Rayaru Episode-1

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jagadgurum kRupAsiMdhum SaraNAgata vatsalam  
BaktamAnasa saMcAraM mahIpati guruM BajE  
svaBakthAnugrahArthAya sAmIpyAt dhruvamAgathAn  
mahIpatigurUn vaMdE sarvavidyAviSAradAn |

**Introduction:** Haridasaru are like a Twinkling stars in the Sky. They always dedicated their lives in serving the Lord Shri Hari. They had great powers with that great powers they used to talk, play games with the Lord Shri Hari. They are all

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served the Antaryami of their Gurugalu Shri Madhwa Charyaru who is the incarnation of saakshaat Shri Mukhya Pranadevaru. They are all Aparoksha Jnanis.

They have enthralled the Shri HariBhakthas by writing the Kruthigalu , Ughabogas and Suladis in kannada language. They can be easily understood by the common people, similarly some of the tatvas needs great paanditya to understand.

Haridasas never thought in their lives that they will lead their lives as a Haridasaru. Haridasaru are not made but they are born and they all became great Haridasaru by the grace Lord Shri Hari's will. If we see the life of Shri Purandara dasaru before he became Haridasa, but he was the richest business man of those times. He was popularly known as "Navakoti Narayana" but one day he dedicated all his wealth and he chosen the path to serve the Lord Shri Hari.

He became an extraordinary Haridasa. He earned laurels from the Shri Vyasaraaja Prabhugalu. With his writings he educated the masses. Shri Kanaka dasaru is one who has worked for the propagation of the Dwaitha philosophy. He is also staunch disciple of Shri Vyasarajaru.

Shri Vijayaraya Prabhugalu lead a poor life and he was popularly known as "Koosi Maga Dasa" but one day he raised and became great Haridasa. Under his stewardship many Haridasa were born.

If we see the life of Shri Bhaganna dasaru. He was practicing the Astrology but with the anugruha of Shri Vijayadasaru. His life is shaped as a great Haridasaru. Shri Jagannatha dasaru who was an immense Sanskrit scholar . He is used to show love towards Sanskrit. He used to speak Kannada for the communication purpose only.

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But his life is changed with the intervention of Shri Vijayadasaru and Shri Gopaladasaru they made him to become Haridasas.

With that result Sri Harikathaamruthasara in Kannada a magnum-opus came out from his pen . These were the few examples how Haridasas were known to us, we will come across numerous instances the rise of Haridasas.

Shri Mahipathi rayaru is one such Haridasaru who emerged with greater heights with the Anugruha of Lord Shri Vishnu.

Iaigali Village, Athani Taluk , Belgaum district : Sri Koneri Rayaru was pious Brahmin living in that village. He was working as a part time accountant. He was also looking after the Lord Shri Venkateswara temple. He had Two sons. eldest one name was Venkatesha and youngest one name was Gururaja. Venkatesha the eldest son used to help his father work.

Koneri Rayaru worried when children were growing, the money what his paltry earnings were not sufficient for maintaining the family. Somehow, he performed the Upanayana of both sons in time. To lead better life in terms of income he decided to shift his family to Bijapur which is 50 Km away from his village.

## **Episode-2**

Bijapur (Vijapur) of North Karnataka. At that time Muslims king Adil Shahi was ruling that region. At that time the population was 10 lakhs plus. Languages like Persia, Telugu, Marathi, Kannada, Urdu were used in that region. The Kings used to encourage towards the literature and music and arts.

The Muslim kings used to look after the Brahmins very well. They used to appoint the Brahmins in the highest posts. At that time there was less discrimination between the

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castes with respect to the knowledge and scholarship. They used to work collectively in the locality.

Koneri Rayaru started practicing accounting job. He worked for six months. After that he developed contacts with the top brass of the Muslim kingdom. Finally he got appointment as a senior accountant in the Kingdom, Within a span of few months he was appreciated with his good work. He used to earn money sufficiently. His sons namely Venkatesha and Gururayaru were concentrating their studies.

Gururayaru from his childhood was different he had an immense love towards the Lord Shri Hari. He was interested in the Shatrapathas and Sarvamoola granthas. Besides practicing the Shastrapatha, he was also assisting his father in accounts. He was also brilliant in accounts. After some years, Koneri Rayaru performed the marriage of his eldest son.

Koneri raya had a desire that his youngest son should also take up the job in the darbar. Gururaya acquired enormous knowledge in Shri Madhwacharya's philosophy. With that knowledge he was used to give discourses in Bhaghavatha Ramayana etc., He was also had command on the languages like Sanskrit, Arabic, Urdu, Persia, Marathi, Telugu apart from the Kannada language.

He used perform Hari Katha, for the Hari kathe he was used to write lyrics on his own for the relevant situations. People used to come in large numbers to listen his discourses. He was attracted the people by giving appropriate examples in his discourses.

### **Episode-3**

Days are passing. Gururayaru got married to a sadhwi called Timmaava She was very beautiful. She used to help her husband in his day to day [duties](#).-According to his father's wish, he joined as an assistant, under Kawas Khan a diwan in the Darbar.

Within a short time he became very close to Kawas Khan. He solved many accounting errors which were pending for many months. Apart from his job he was also performing discourses.

He was looking-after his aged parents. Every day regularly devara Puje and anna santharparne was taking place. Gururayaru used to earn a lot of money from his job. Thus money earned was invariably donated to the needy people.

He became very busy in his work. Timmaava , wife of GuruRayaru was worried that she did not have children. She prayed the lord for the children. She whole-heartedly involved in her husband's duties. While sleeping in her dreams she used to hear that a child was crying. When she woke up nothing was seen. She was waiting anxiously when she will have her child.

One day Kawas Khan's face was dull and restless, because there was a misunderstanding happened between the Badsha(King) and him. Khan was not able to convince Badshah with his probable solution.

All these years Badsha believed him and many a times he appreciated his work. But this time Badsha was really not happy with him. Kawas Khan was breaking his head to arrive a perfect solution. He would face severe punishment, if he could not solve the problem. Suddenly he got an idea to talk with Gururayaru regarding the problem

Kawas Khan explained his problem with Gururayaru and requested to help him to find a solution for that crisis. He told Gururayaru to meet Badsha personally, to talk about the solution. Gururayaru agreed to visit Badsha and promised the Kawas Khan to help him. He collected the information and supported documents from him and left to meet the Badsha.

Kawas Khan sent words to Badsha that, his assistant Gururayaru is coming to explain the problem. With the permission of the Badsha, Gururayaru entered his chamber. Seeing Gururayaru Badsha welcomed him with a smile on his face.

Gururayaru with broad shoulders having prominent angara akshathe on his forehead. His face was glowing. Badsha felt the glowing powerful face of Gururayaru found some power is present in him. He wished him with folded hands. With the great respect he offered a seat to him. With less introduction he explained whole problem in Urdu language. Within a minute he arrived a solution.

The Badsha astonished for the solution in easiest method. He felt very happy for the solution and praised for his brilliance. Badsha enquired about him. He also came to know that Gururayaru was having extraordinary knowledge in literature and music.

He also came to know that he was good command over Persia, Arabic and Urdu. They both spent for a long time in discussing various topics. Badsha was asking questions to Gururayaru. Gururayaru was answering with calm and patient gesture.

Badsha did not spent that much time with other than Muslim Gurus. Badsha mind was saying that people like Gururayaru, will bring pride for his Kingdom. After the discussion, Gururayaru took permission from the Badsha and left the Darbar with a smile. But Badsha wants to spend some more time with Gururayaru and he was eagerly waiting for the next meeting. Kawas Khan was happy with Gururayaru for solving his problem and saved his life and job. He appreciated Gururayaru for his brilliant brain.

Next day Badsha met Kawas Khan and collected the information about Gururayaru. After listening everything Badsha complimented Gururayaru as a **"Pearl"**. He ordered Khan to appoint him as highest position in his kingdom.

Accordingly he was appointed as a Diwan in the Darbar. He was given a Raja Mudrike as an identity.

### **Episode-4**

After an appointment as a Diwan, Gururayaru became very busy. There was many servants were working under him. But, still he was not comfortable that he was not concentrating his services towards Lord Shri Hari.

In his heart he was feeling that missing something, which he was not able to find the solution for that. On the other side his beloved wife Timmavva worried about her present childless days.

He believes whatever the money and fame earned was not equal to serving the Lord Shri Hari. After becoming Diwan, he was assigned many responsibilities. Sometimes he feels that as a human being is it necessary to do all sort of jobs.

But, still he continued to take up the responsibilities and he used to solve the issues without any problem. Gururayaru was waiting for the great day to serve exclusively the Lord Shri Hari. But he never thought that day was on the way waiting for him.

On that day he started for his work. He decided to go lonely. He ordered his servants not to follow him. He was walking on the streets. He was Six feet tall. His body was strong. His white clothes were shining.

His forehead with Gandha Angara Akshate was glowing. His shaven beard bringing good look on his face. People were coming out from their houses and seeing the Gururayaru. Some were doing namaskara and some were doing prostrations too.

He was walking along the canal. The water was flowing in the canal. He had to pass that canal while going to his work. He found one person sitting lonely talking something. He was not wearing any clothes. His Hair is grown very long. The Hair looking like ropes and it having knots.

His unshaven beard looking ugly. When he laughs his yellow teeth was visible. His body emitting bad smell. His eyes were red in colour. The Nails were grown long. Dust was present in that Nails. But he was having strong voice.

The people of that place afraid about the words he speaks. Whatever the words come from his mouth they would become true. The words may be good or bad. He was a Pakkhir belongs to Suphi sect. It is one of the sects in Muslim community. His name was "Nanga Shaha" He was uttering words like "Mothaka Ghanna" means smell of death.

By seeing the Gururayaru Pakkhir called him. Gururayaru heard about him. But he could not understand why he was calling him. He afraid that if he speaks anything about him. He stood silently. Once again Pakkhir called him. "Hey I am only calling you come to me". At that time Gururayaru had no chance to avoid him slowly he went near him.

Pakkhir critically seen Gururayaru from top to bottom. He was smiling. Gururayaru was standing silently before him. Suddenly the pakkhir pulled his hands and noticed his fingers with rings. One was a Raja Mudrika which made up of Diamonds. Another was golden ring.

Immediately the Pakkhir pulled out the Raja Murdrika and thrown into the canal. Gururayaru did not expected this sort of act from the Pakkhir. He became dull. The



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Pakkkhir was laughing loudly. While laughing he was putting the mud on his body. The also Pakkkhir was dancing.

Gururayaru pleaded the Pakkkhair to return the Raja Mudrike. "If don't give that Mudrike I will be awarded the death sentence". Pakkkhir shouted loudly "Why are you worrying, from tomorrow onwards you are not going to RajaDharhar".

Gururayaru was not understanding what he was saying. When he was thinking suddenly loud sound came. When Gururayaru turned, the Pakkkhir jumped into the canal. After few minutes he came up and asked to take his Mudrike. He opened his fist Gururayaru found many rings were present. All are Raja Mudrike. He requested the Pakkkhir to give his Raja Mudrike. Pakkkhir was loudly laughing.

Gururayaru body started changing without knowing. Sath Chith Ananda are Three different words but its sounds as 'Sacchidaananda' one word.

Gururayaru realized that his job was not to serve the King, but his main job was to serve the Lord Shri Hari. He started falling at the feet of the Pakkkhir. But the Pakkkhir did not gave that chance. "Wait you should not bow at my feet". You are Brahmin. Today my job is over. You have opened your eyes. You want a good guru. The Guru is waiting for you. His name is Sri Bhaskara swamij belongs to Saravada Village. You go there he will guide you".

The Pakkkhir pulled out the RajaMudrike of Gururayaru and gave to him, remaining them he thrown in the canal. After that the Pakkkhir ran away from that place. Gururayaru stood silently for a while.

Instead of going to Darbar he went to his house. At that time his life looking like a plant without water and a Patient without medicines.

With his incident we will clearly know that great people lives are changed with small incidents that has taken place in their lives. This is one small example where Gururayaru became Shri Mahipathi dasaru after meeting Shri Bhaskara Swamiji.

### **Episode-5**

Guru Rayaru after that incident with the Fakir. He decided to tell that incident to his wife; hurriedly he left to the house. After going to his house he came to know from his sister-in-law "Tukkavva", that his wife "Thimmavva went to temple.

He got disappointed that his wife was not the house. He was eagerly waiting for her. In the evening, a Bullock cart came and stood before the house. By hearing the sounds of the cart he came to know that his beloved wife arrived.

Thimmavva slowly stepped in. She surprised to see her husband was in the house. She was standing silently. She was afraid of her husband, for returning late to the home.

She was fearing to open her mouth and say the truth that, she was returning from Shri Bhaskara Swamiji's Place. For few minutes she kept quite. She thought it was not the time for discussion.

Gururayaru started saying about the incident that took place in the morning with Fakir. He showed his desire to meet the Shri Bhaskara Swamiji.

By hearing the words of the Gururayaru, Thimmava felt happy and she wanted to disclose that she visited Shri Bhaskara swamiji Asharama daily. Suddenly Tukkavva came from the kitchen and said "See your wife is not going to temple but, she is visiting Shri Bhaskara Swamiji regularly" by looking in the Eyes of Gururayaru.

On hearing that, Guru Rayaru slowly asked his wife "Is that true?" Timmavva replied "Yes I am going to Asharama regularly. However, I could not meet the Swamiji all these days. Fortunately today I had darshan of the Swamiji and I spoke with him regarding the issues (children). I told about my problem. With a smile, Swamiji told me that I should visit him along with you".

When I said him that you will not able to meet due to your busy schedule. He smiled again and replied “definitely he will be visiting me shortly with you. I was happy, but I could not understand the reason, why he pointed this at that time.

“Now I am getting the words of the swamiji after knowing from you that you are showing interest to meet the swamiji”.

Gururayaru performed evening Sandhyavandane. After that they had dinner. Venkamma felt happy that Lord Shri Hari showed the way for them.

Next day after taking permission with Baadshah that he will return to work after three days and they both left to Shri Bhaskara Swamiji Asharama.

### **Episode-6**

Saravada Village: When wife and Husband entered the Ashrama of Shri Bhaskara swamiji, they came to know that the Swamiji was in Meditation. They waited for some time. After some time Bhaskara swamiji came out from the room. Immediately, Shri Bhaskara swamigalu recognized sri Gururayaru.

He walked close to him with a smile on his face. “Oh Gururaya! I think now you found time to meet me, even though I am staying here since long time”. By hearing the words of the Shri Bhaskara swamiji ,without thinking anything Gururajaru immediately fell at the feet of the Swamiji.

“Swamyji!! I did a blunder in my life by not meeting you all these days. Please pardon me”. His eyes were filled with tears. Slowly Shri Bhaskara swamiji lifted him up. “Guru Raya! now time has came to do sadhane, for that get ready. You came to this world to serve exclusively Lord Shri Hari”.

Swamiji asked Guru Rayaru to take bath and told him to assemble in his room. Swamiji blessed Thimmavva the wife of Guru rayaru. After wards she joined some women who were present there.

Accordingly Gururayaru completed his bath and assembled in the room. Swamji entered the room, by seeing the swamiji Gururayaru prostrated before him with great respect. Afterwards Swamiji kept his hand on the head of the Guru rayaru. At that

time Gururayaru was in the in kneel down posture. As soon as Swamji kept his hand he could not understand what was happened to him.

He started singing one composition, after some time Swamiji lifted the hand. At the end of the composition is completed with "Mahipathi" as a ankitha. Here Mahi means " The whole Universe" pathi means owner. Here we should take as Lord Shri Hari who is the leader of this entire Universe.

In this kruthi Shri Mahipathi showed great respects towards his gurugalu. From that day on wards Guru rayaru became " Shri Mahipathi Dasar". It was the greatest and joyous moments in the life of Shri Mahipathi Dasar. He was not getting any words to express his happiness. He surrendered completely to the Lotus feet of Lord Shri Hari.

Here we must all understand that Shri Mahipathi dasar never dreamt of becoming Haridasaru in his life. Because of Lord Shri Hari blessings ,Pakhir and Shri Bhaskara Swamiji he became Haridasaru in this birth. After wards he did namaskara to the swamiji and came out. He paid great respects to his beloved wife Thimmavva. She also one among who is responsible for his becoming Haridasa.

After some days serving the Shri Bhaskara Swamiji. Shri Mahipathi dasar sent words to Badashah that, he will not be resuming the job any more. He also praised the Badshah for looking after him well . Shri Mahipathi Rayaru also requested the Badshah to take back all the properties which he had gifted to him when he was Diwan.

Badshah after listening the words of Mahipathi Rayaru. He sent one letter with Kawas Khan a close associate of Badshah. In that letter he pleaded him to return back to work. King also refused to take back the properties that was gifted him. Shri Mahipathi rayaru sent his wife to Bijapur to sell the lands and donate that money to the needy people. She went and accordingly did as per the wish of her husband. After settling she returned to her husand. Kawas Khan used to visit Sarawada Village and meeting the Shri Mahipathi dasar.

The Mahipathi dasar spending his days in serving the Shri Bashkara Swamiji. He started gaining the knowledge. In many of his compositions Shri Mahipathi Rayaru praised his gurugalu Shri Bhaskara swamiji who has moulded his life.

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Slowly Shri Mahipathi Rayaru was experiencing that his Sadhana is gaining momentum. Shri Bhaskara Swamiji came to the place where Shri Mahipathi Rayaru was sitting. Shri Baskara swamiji is feeling happiness that his disciple Shri Mahipathidasaru is gaining knowledge. He appreciated the Manasa Pooje of Shri Mahipathi Rayaru the way he was performed to Lord Shri Hari.

Every day Shri Mahipathi Rayaru was listening the discourses of Shri Bhaskara Swamiji. One day evening when Shri Baskara Swamiji was sitting lonely, Shri Mahipathi rayaru went and did a prostration to him. "Now it is time for you to return to Bijapur"said shri Bhaskara swamiji. After hearing the words of his Guru he stood silent. Bhaskara Swamiji understood about his inner feelings of GuruRayaru and started saying "Guru Raya for that particular inner feelings, the time has not ripened. Your wife Thimmavva was not having any children, you have to help her. She was serving you faithfully. Do not disappoint her. You must have a children. Then your Gruhastha Dharma ends. After your departure from this world your children will spread Haridasara compositions. Presently do not think about that. I will let you know when times comes for that . Now it is time for you to return to Bijapur. Tomorrow only, you go to your place Bijapur". Swamiji after talking to Shri Mahipathi rayaru entered his room.

Next day morning Shri Mahipathi Rayaru met the Shri Baskara Swamiji along with Timmavva and did prostaration to the swamiji. Shri Bashkara Swamiji by looking at Thimmavva said " You have got a great husband. He is having Vast Knowledge. Look after him well and serve him with great devotion. He will look after you well". She felt very happy at that time her eyes were filled with Joy of Tears. After that they took blessings from the swamiji and left to Bijapur.

Shri Mahipathidasaru has composed many compositions with 14 different Ankithas. These are the some anikthas. "Putra Mahipathi, Mahipathi Guru, Dasa Mahipathi, Mahipathi Thande, aanda Mahipathi, Dinna Mahipathi, Mahipathi Guru, Balaka Mahipathi, Mahipathi, Muda Mahipathi. But most of the compositions had ankitha as "Mahipathi"

## Episode-7

On one auspicious day of 'Shradha' after performing daily rituals, Shri Mahipathi Rayaru, did the anna santharpane to all. Many Brahmins were invited for that function where in alankara Brahmana Pankthi was also arranged. They laid separate 10 plantain leaves for the Ten Alankara Brahmins. All Alankara Brahmins were seated except first plantain leaf. The occupied Nine Brahmins were served with Gandha, Angara and Akshanti.

Shri Mahipathi dasaru was waiting at the door for one more Brahmin by name Jakappayya. Dasaru did not want do "Krishnarpana" word without him. He requested the Alankara Brahmins to wait. They were all accepted and also they were eager to see that special person.

After few minutes Jakappayya came to the house of the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru. By seeing him the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru invited him with a smile in his face. The Brahmins by seeing the Jakappayya felt in-differently. The clothes of the Jakappayya were very dirty, his hair was not proper. Hit by surprise all Brahmins were saying themselves "Oh Lord, for this kind of dirty person Shri rayaru made us to wait?".

Jakappayya directly came and occupied before the empty plantain leaf. Shri Mahipathi rayaru gave the Ghanda Angara and Akshante to him. Shri Mahipathi requested the Brahmins to start bhojana vidhi and held the teertha. But all Brahmins did not put the Chitraahuti however, Jakappayya was about to put the chitraahuti and he was ready to accept thirtha. At this moment one Brahmin stood up and with a very high tone started questioning "Why this dirty person is allowed to sit in the Alkankara Bramanna Pankthi. He did not wash the legs and his hands but directly came and sat besides us. Even we doubt that he took a bath or not. His clothes are dirty and they emitting the foul smell. By inviting him for this program you degraded us" said that Brahmin.

By hearing the words of that Brahmin, Shri Mahipathi Rayaru turned towards Jakappaya and asked with high tone" Oh Jakappaya what is this?...is that true you did not took bath and you came here without performing the daily rituals?". Jakappaya

replied with smile "No mahaswamy, I came here after finishing my daily rituals, how can I leave that duty?" while replying the same, he shook his head with vigour, immediately water started flowing from the matted hair similar to "Ganga flow". The Brahmins were shocked and dumbfounded by seeing that. The whole floor became wet with water within no time.

All Brahmins fell at the feet of the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru and begged for the mercy for having said bad words towards him. Showing the big smile Shri Mahipathi Rayaru nodded his head and arranged the Thirtha Prasada in another place comfortably. The Brahmins happily finished the Thirtha Prasada and left the place with this memorizing the events all the way.

***Note: Devas act sometime looks different from the normal. One must understand carefully before commenting anything. This act of non-ritualistic behavior from Rudra is to do the "mohaka" to durjanas and sajjana always know that devatas never cross shrihari's order with respect to dharma.***

## Episode-8

Mohan Chippagiri

Maredeppa was a servant in the house of Shri Mahipathi rayaru. He and his family were working in rayara house since the long time. Shri Mahipathi Rayara family was treating them as a family members. One day Maredeppa's wife fell sick and went into unconscious and finally died. With this shock Maredeppa ran towards the house of Shri Mahipathi Rayaru. On reaching he noticed Tukavva(sister-in-law of Rayaru) and told her about the sudden demise of his beloved wife with loud voice. By hearing that she went inside and told to Shri Mahipathi Rayaru about the incident.

By knowing the incident rayaru said " all are bound by birth and final death it is his praacheena karma that she died before him" by hearing that Tukkavvae started saying " Since long time they served your family . The Children of Maradeppa are young and now who will look after his family. You should do something to him. People of this village are having more hopes on your godly powers but you are not using any powers to solve the plight of your own servant."

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Slowly Shri Mahipathi Rayaru walked outside. By seeing Rayaru, Maredeppa started crying and fell at the feet of the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru. By seeing him rayaru said “ Nothing will happen to you..” and asked him to get up. Maredeppa stood with tears in his eyes.

Shri Mahipathi rayaru called Tukkavva and gave the special cloth (Shalya) to her and said. “Go to her and sweep this Shalya on her body . She will wake up as if she was in deep sleep”. His sister-in-law did accordingly. Surprisingly, Maredeppa’s wife woke up. Maredeppa felt happy and praised Shri Mahipathi dasaru for his greatness and he did namaskara with whole heart.

After a while Tukkava felt that she did a mistake by blaming the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru and she fell at the feet of Mahipathi rayaru.

Here we should know that jnaanigalu always do know that, when to bless their beloved devotees.

## **Episode-09**

### **One**

Once when Deva Raya was arrested by Pune Peshwa and he was sent to the Jail. Devaraya remembers shri Mahipathi Rayaru and pleaded shri Mahipathi rayaru to rescue from the problem with the following words

Banda Durithagala Parihaara Maadayya |  
tande Shri Guru MahipathiRaayaa||

When he begged Shri Mahipathi dasaru, on that night Shri Mahipathi dasaru appeared in the dreams of that king and said that his son Devaraya did not commit any crime against the Kingdom and he ordered the king to release DevaRaya immediately and disappeared. Next day the King realized his mistake and released the Deva raya. He was sent him to Kakhandaki after felicitating him with honour.

### **Two**

Umajipantha Desai was staying in Kakhandaki and also he was an ardent devotee of Shri Mahipathi dasaru. He lead his life with simplicity and also he was intelligent in



finalizing the accounts. Once Pune Peshwa Kingdom was in trouble in finalizing their books of accounts. One close associate of the King suggested the name of the Umajipantha for solving their accounts and who was living in Kakhandaki.

The King sent words to Umajipantha, by sending four soldiers along with an invitation. Soldiers reached the Umaji's house in Kakhandaki. By seeing these soldiers the family of the Umaji felt nervous and they got confused by the presence of soldiers at their house.

One of the soldiers got down from the Horse and handed over the invitation given by the King. Umaji opened the invitation and came to know the contents of it. Umaji's wife came out and made arrangements for the soldiers to stay. She offered food and water to them. She also said "Please take rest for today and Tomorrow morning you can leave to Pune Peshwa along with my husband". Soldiers accepted happily. On the other side Umaji was in quandary and he was worried by himself "Can I Solve the Problem of the King?". While thinking the problem he moved towards the well. He washed his face and hands. He sat on the side of the well by praying Shri Mahipathi Rayaru to solve the problem. He could not eat anything on that day. Like that he spent his whole time and slept on that night on the slabs present at the side of the well.

In the early hours of that day a strong person wearing Kaavi Shati started walking that side. He got down in the well and washed his face and legs and started moving towards the temple. Immediately he got and noticed the footsteps of that great Mahan Shri Mahipathi rayaru. He placed his head on the footsteps of the Rayaru and started moving. At one point he heard strong voice "Umapanth do not worry, you visit Pune without any fear. You will come out with honour" Later he briskly entered into the Brindavana. By seeing that Umajipantha felt good and thought that his life became meaningful. He overjoyed with the fact that his Gurugalu has blessed him. He went home and finished his daily rituals and left to Pune along with the soldiers.

Pune: After seeing Umaji in the court, King welcomed him and entrusted the work to him. The associates submitted the account books/details before him. After seeing the accounts the Umaji worked on it and solved the issues easily within 4 to 6 Hours with

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the anugraha of Shri Mahipathi Rayaru. After solving the Financial problems Umpanth went back to kakhandaki with great honour received from King. All the way he was remembering shri Mahipathirayaru with great devotion.

## **Episode-10**

Kolhara sukshetra on the banks of Krishna: Shri Mahipathi Rayaru reached haripada on Kartika bahula amavaasya, after spending seven days. His Two sons Krishna Raya and Deva raya finished the final rites and they returned to the Kakhandaki. Krishna Raya, the eldest son, who was beloved son to his father, he used to help him in daily rituals. Another son Deva raya was a warrior.

After his father's last journey Krishna rayaru stopped eating food. He almost lost the interest in the life. One day afternoon, he was asleep at that time, Shri Mahipathi rayaru came in the dreams and told, "Oh my son you know that the physical body is not permanent and should be discarded one day, even for the devatas who come to earth should discard the mortal body. Now the time has ripen for you to do the social services and work to contribute towards loka kalyaana.

Rayaru continued "You know that I used to take rest below the Shami Vruksha, you will find shalagrama beneath the ground near the tree. Construct a Brindavana and fill that Brindavana with that shalagrams. My sannidhana will be there always in that Brindavana".

Accordingly, next day he digs that place and found the Shalagrams. He constructed the Brindavana and consecrated with those shalagrams. Many devotees were present. On that day aradhane with bhoori-bhojana was performed. Even after performing the Aradhane, Krishana Raya was not happy he used to remember his father Shri Mahipathi Rayaru.

He was talking to self "When you were alive devotees used to assemble for your darshana. Even many devotees were used to do pradakshinas to your Paada rakshegalu. Some devotees were use to carry warm water to do paada Puje. Your

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morning devara Puje and evening pravachans were enlightened us but we were missing all the physical presence and your words too....”

One side Shri Krishna rayaru continuously serving the Brindavana on the other side Deva raya was deeply involved in father’s memory and could not come out from that agony. To do his best service he got made Golden Face of his father and felt very happy by doing so. Even today this golden face will be decorated on the Brindavana of the Shri Mahipathi Rayaru. The legacy of yoga danda and paadukegalu of Shri Mahipathi Dasaruru is still seen and are protecting his devotees even today.

Every year on Kartika Bahula Amavasa Aradhane is celebrated in grand manner in Kakhandaki. Devotees from the various places will assemble for the aradhane.

I will conclude the series with the words of Shri Mahipathi Dasaruru.

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Impression

Mohanavre,thumba chennagi neevu Mahipati Daasara seve maduttidiri.Avara anugraha yavagalu nimmamelirali.

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