

## Brihaspati Dev Katha

Prachin samay may bharat may ek raja raj karta tha. Vah bada shoorveer va daanveer tha. Vah nitya garibo va brahmano ki sahayata karta tha. Yah baat raani ko boori lagti thi. Vah rani bhagwan ka smaran, poojan nahi karti thi, naa hi garibo va brahmano ko daan-dharm karti thi or raja ko bhi aisa karne se mana karti thi. Ek din raja jungle may shikar karne gaye huae thay, rani mahal may akeli thi. Tab Brihaspati dev sadhu ke vesh may bhiksha ke liea raja ke mahal may aaye or rani se bhiksha mangi. Rani ne bhiksha dene se mana kardiya or boli hey! Mahatma may toh is daan punye se tang aagai hu. Mere pati sara dhan daan punye may hi lootate rahte hain. Atah meri ichcha hai ki yah sara dhan nasht hojaye. Sadhu ne kaha – “ devi tum badi vichitra baat kar rahi ho. Prithvi par sabhi manushaye dhan, sukh, santaan chahtay hain. Putra or Lakshmi toh papi ke ghar may bhi honay chahiea. Yadi tumhare pass adhik dhan hain, toh us dhan ka sad-upyog karo. Bhukhoo ko bhojan karwao, piyau banwao, musafiro ke liea dharmshalaye banwao, jo nirdhan apni kannyao ka vivah nahi kar sakte, unka vivah karwao, aise karyo may dhan kharch karne se tumhara yash lok-parlok may failega.”

Parantu rani par is upadesh ka koi prabhav nahi pada. Vah boli mahatma aap muje kuch mat samjhao, may aisa dhan nahi chahti, jise may har gajah baat ti rahu. Sadhu ne uttar diya – yadi tumhari yahi ichcha hain, toh aisa hi hoga. Tum aisa karna ki brihaspativaar ko ghar ko leep kar, pheele mitti se sir dhokar snanan karna, bhatti chada kar kapde dhona. Aisa karne se tumhara dhan swate hi nashth hojayega. Aisa keh kar sadhu antar dhayan hogaya. Brihaspativaar ko rani ne vaisa hi kiya jaisa sadhu ne kaha tha. 6 brihaspativaar hi beetay thay ki uska sara dhan nashth hogaya or raj path sab khatam hogaya. Bhojan ke liea bhi dono tarasne lage or atyant dukhi rahne lage. Ek din raja rani se bola ki tum yahi raho may doosre rajya may jakar koi kaam karu, kyo ki yaha muje sabhi jantay hain, may yaha koi karya nai kar sakta ‘desh chori bardesh bheekh’ barabar hain. Aisa kehkar raja pardesh chala gaya. Waha raja jungle may jata or lakdiya kaat kar laata or shaher may bechta. Is tarah jeevan yapan karne laga.

Ek din dukhi hokar vah jungle may ek paid(tree) ke niche baith gaya or apni dasha ko yaad karke vyakul(Disturbed) hone laga. Brihaspativaar ka din tha. Usnay dekha ki nirjan van(jungle) may ek sadhu prakat hua. Ve sadhu vesh may swayam Brihaspati dev thay. Ve raja ke samaksh aakar bolay “hey lakkadhare(woodcutter) is soonsaan jungle may tu chinta magan kyu baitha hain?” raja ne dono haath jodkar pranam kiya or uttar diya –“mahatma aap sab kuch jantay hain, may kya kahoo?” yah kahkar sroney laga or sadhu ko apni aatma katha sunai. Mahatma ne kaha tumhari patni ne brihaspativaar ke din bhagwan ka apman kiya hain, jiske karan tumhari ye dasha hui hain. Ab tum mere kahe anoosar karo, toh tumhare sab kasht door hojayengay or bhagwan pahle se bhi adhik dhan dengay. Tum brihaspativaar ke din katha kiya karo. 2 paise ke chane, munakka laakar uska Prasad banao or shudh jal se lotay may shakkar mila kar amrit taiyaar karo. Katha ke paschayat apne parivar or katha sunne wale bhakto may amrit va Prasad baatkar swayam grahan karo. Aisa karne se bhagwan tumhare sab kasht door karengay.

Sadhu ke asie vachan sun kar lakkadhara bola “ hey prabhu, muje lakdi baich kar itna paisa nahi milta jissay bhojan karne ke baad kuch bacha saku.” Sadhu ne kaha “ hey lakkadhare tum chinta mat karo. Brihaspativar ke din tum rojana ki tarah lakdiya lekar shaher ko jao. Usdin tumhe dugna dhan prapt

hoga jissay tumbhali bhaanti bhojan kar sakogay tatha Brihaspati dev ki pooja ka saaman bhi aajayega. Itna kehkar sadhu antar dhayan hogaye. Fir brihaspativar ka din aaya. Lakkadhara jungle se lakdi kaat kar shaher may baichne gaya. Usay us din or din se adhik dhan mila. Raja nay chana, gudd aadi lakan Brihaspativar ka vrat kiya. Usdin say uske kasht door honay lage. Parantu jab dubara brihaspativar ka din aaya toh raja ne vrat nahi kiya. Is karan Brihaspati dev naraz hogaye. Us din us nagar kay raja nay vishal yagaye(hawan) ka aayojan kiya tha tatha shaher may yah ghoshana karadi ki koi bhi vyakti apne ghar bhojan nahi banaye na hi aag jalaye. Sari praja mere yaha bhojan karne aaye. Is agya ko jo nahi manega usay saja di jayegi. Is tarah ki ghoshana sampoorn nagar may karwadi gai. Raja ki aagya anoosar shaher ke sabhi log bhojan karne aaye. Parantu lakkadhara bahoot der say waha pahucha. Is liea raja usko apne saath mahal le aaye or usay bhojan karane lagay. Tabi rani ki drishti khoonti par padi, jis par uska haar latka hua tha, vah haar waha par dikhai nahi diya toh rani ne kaha ki mera haar isne chura liya usi samay raja nay sainiko ko bulakar usko karagar may dalwa diya. Lakkadhara karagar may bahoot dukhi hokar vichar karne laga ki na Janay poorv janam ke konsay karm se mujay yah dukh prapt hua or usi sadhu ko yaad karne laga jo usay jungle may mila tha. Tabhi vah sadhu fir prakat hua or bola "aray moorkh! Tunay Brihaspati dev ki katha nahi ki, is kaaran tujay yah dukh prapt hua. Ab Brihaspativar ke din karagar ke darwaje par 4 paise paday milengay unsay tu Brihaspati dev ki Pooja karna, tere sabhi kasht door hojayengay." Brihaspativar ke din usay 4 paise mile. Lakkadhare nay katha kahi, usi raat ko Brihaspati dev nay us nagar kay raja ko swapn may kaha " hey raja! Tumnay jis Aadmi ko karagar may band kar rakha hain, vo nirdosh hain, wo bhi ek raja hain, usay chor dena. Rani ka haar usi khoonti par latka hain, agar tu aisa nahi karega toh may tere rajye ko nasht kardunga." Raja subah utha or khoonti par haar dekh kar lakkadhare ko bola kar shama maangi tatha lakkadhare ko yogye sundar vastra, aabhusan dekar vida kiya tatha Brihaspati dev ki agya anoosar lakkadhara apne nagar ko chal diya.

Jab raja apne nagar ke nikat pahucha toh usay sundar baagh, talaab, kuaey, dharamshalyain, mandir aadi dekh kar bada ashcharaye hua. Raja nay pucha ye kiska baagh or dharamshala hain. Tab nagar ke log kahne lagay, yeh sab rani ke hain. Toh raja jo ashcharaya hua or gussa bhi aaya. Jab rani nay yah khabar suni ki raja aarahain hain, toh usnay dasi se kaha ki dasi " dekh raja humko kitni buri halat may chor gaye thay, hamari aisi halat dekh kar wo lot na jaye, isliea tu darwaje pe khadi hoja." Agya anusar dasi darwaje par khadi hogai. Jab raja aaye toh unhe apne sath mahel may leaai. Raja nay krodh karke apni rani se pucha ki yah dhan tumhe kaise prapt hua, toh usnay kaha yah sara dhan Brihaspati dev ke vrat ke prabhav say prapt hua hain.

Raja nay nishchay kiya ki 7 din baad toh sabhi Brihaspati dev ka pujan kartay hain parantu may rojana din may 3 baar katha karunga tatha pratidin vrat karunga. Ab har samayraja kay dupattay main chanay ki dal bandhi rehti tatha din may 3 baar katha kehta. Ek din raja nay vichar kiya ki apni bahan ke yaha hoaaye. Aisa sochkar raja ghoday (horse) pe sawar ho apni bahan ke yaha Janay laga. Marg may usnay dekha ki kuch Aadmi ek murday ko leja rahay hain. Unhay rok kar raja kahne laga aray bhaiyon " meri Brihaspati dev ki katha sunlo" ve bolay hamara toh Aadmi mar gaya hain isko katha ki padi hain. Parantu kuch log bolay acha kaho hum tumhari katha sunengay. Raja nay daal nikali or katha kahne laga. Katha aadhi bhi nahi hui thi ki murda hilnay-dulnay laga or jab katha samapt hui toh, ram-ram karke vah vyakti uthkar khada hogaya.

Aagay chalnay par usay ek kisan khet may hal chalata hua mila. Raja nay usay dekha or ussay bola aray bhaiya " tum meri brihaspativar ki katha sun lo." Kisan bola jab tak may teri katha sununga tab tak 4 hariya jot lunga. Ja apni katha kisi or ko sunana. Raja aagay calnay laga. Raja ke chaltay hi bail pachad khakar gir gai tatha kisan kay pait may dard honay laga. Usi samay uski maa roti lekar aai. Usnay apne putra se sab haal pucha or bete nay sabhi haal keh diya toh, uski maa dodi-dodi us gudsawar raja kay pass gai or ussay boli ki may teri katha sunungi, tu apni katha mere khet par chal kar hi kehna. Raja nay bhudiya kay khet par jakar katha kahi jiske suntay hi bail utha khaday huaey tatha kisan ke pait ka dard band hogaya. Raja apni bahan ke ghar pahucha. Bahen nay bhai ki khoob aawbhagat ki. Doosray din pratah kal raja utha toh usnay dekha ki sab log bhojan kar rahe hain. Raja nay apni bahan se kaha " aisa koi manushaye hain jisnay bhojan na kiya ho, jo meri brihaspativar ki katha sun le." Bahen boli bhaiya yah nagar aisa hi hain, pahle yaha log bhojan kartay hain, baad main anaye kaam kartay hain, agar koi pados may ho toh dekh aau. Vah aisa kah kar dekhnay chali gai, parantu usay koi aisa vyakti nahi mila jisnay bhojan nahi kiya ho. Ant may vah ek kumhar ke ghar gai, jiska ladka beemar tha usay maloom hua ki uske yaha 3 din say kisi nay bhojan nahi kiya hain. Rani nay apne bhai ki katha sunnay ke liea kumhar se kaha toh wo taiyar hogaya. Raja nay jakar brihaspativar ki katha kahi jisko sunkar kumhar ka ladka theek hogaya. Ab toh raja ki prashansa honay lagi.

Ek din raja nay apni bahan say kaha ki " bahan ab hum apnay ghar jayengay, tum bhi taiyaar hojao." Raja ki bahan nay apni saas say pucha. Saas nay kaha, haan chali ja. Parantu apne ladko ko mat lejana, kyon ki tere bhai ke koi santaan nahi hain. Bahen nay apne bhai se kaha " bhaiya, may toh chalungi, parantu koi balak nahi chalega." Raja bola jab koi balak nahi chalega, tab tum kya karogi. Or baday dukhi mann say raja apnay nagar ko lot aya. Raja nay apni rani say kaha hum nirvanshi raja hain, hamara muh dekhnay ka dharm nahi hain or kuch bhojan aadi nahi kiya. Rani boli " hey swami! Brihaspati dev nay hamay sab kuch diya hain, wo hamay santaan awashaye dengay." Usi raat ko Brihaspati dev nay raja say swapn may kaha "hey raja uth, sabhi soch ko tyag day teri rani garb say hain." Raja ko ye baat sunkar badi khushi hui. Nauvay mahinay may uskay ek sundar putra hua tab raja bola "hey rani, stri bina bhojan kay reh sakti hain par bina kahay nahi reh sakti. Jab meri bahan aaye tum ussay kuch mat kehna." Rani any sunkar haa kar diya.

Jab raja ki bahan nay ye shubh samachar suna toh wo bahoot khush hui or badhai lekar apne bhai ke yaha aai. Tabhi rani ne kaha "ghoda chadkar toh nahi aai, ghada chadi aai." Raja ki bahan boli "Bhabhi may, is prakar na kehti toh tumhay santaan kaise milti. Brihaspati dev aise hi hain, jaisi jiskay mann may kamnaye hain, wo sabhi ko poorn kartay hain, jo sadh bhavna poorvak brihaspativar ko vrat karta hain avem katha padta hain, athwa suntan hain, or dusro ko sunata hain, Brihaspati dev uski manokamna poorn kartay hain."

Bhagwan Brihaspati dev uski sadev raksha kartay hain. Sachchi bhavna say rani or raja nay unki katha ka gun gaan kiya or Brihaspati dev nay unki sabhi ichchaye poorn ki. Katha sun nay ke baad prasad avashaye lena chahiea shradhdha poorvak bhagwan ka smaran kartay huae jaikara bolna chahiea.

## Brihaspati dev katha

Prachin kal may ek brahman tha, wo bahoot nirdhan tha. Uske koi santaan nahi thi. Uski patni bahoot maleenta ke saath rehti thi. Wo na snan karti, na hi kisi devta ki Pooja karti, issay brahman bada dukhi tha. Wo apni patni ko bahoot samjhata kintu uska kuch parinam na nikla. Bhagwan ki kripa say brahman ki patni ke kanya paida hui. Kanya badi honay par pratah snan karke Vishnu bhagwan ka jaap va brihaspativar ka vrat karnay lagi. Apne poojan ke baad wo school jati toh apni muththi may jou(malt) bhar kay lejati or pathshala kay marg may dalti jati, ye jou sworn kay hojatay. Lottay samay unko been kar ghar le aati thi.

Ek din wo balika soop(big plate) may jou ko fatak kar saaf kar rahi thi. Ki uske pita nay dekh liya or kaha "hey beti! Sonay ke jou kay liea, sonay ka soop hona chahiea." Doosray din brihaspativar tha kanya nay vrat rakha or Brihaspati dev say prarthana karkay kaha – "mainay aapki Pooja sachchay mann say ki ho toh muje sonay ka soop deejiea" Brihaspati dev nay uski prarthana sweekar kar li. Rojana ki tarah wo kanya ju failati hui Janay lagi jab lot kar jou been rahi thi toh Brihaspati dev ki kripa say sonay ka soop mila. Usay wo ghar le aai or usmay jou saaf karnay lagi. Ek din ki baat hai, wo kanya sonay ke soop may jou saaf kar rahi thi tabhi us nagar ka rajkumar waha say nikla. Us kanya kay roop ko dekhkar wo mohit hogaya or mahal may aakar bhojan tatha jal tyag karudas ho lait gaya.

Raja ko jab is baat ka pata laga toh apnay mantra ke saath uskay pass aaye or bolay putra tumhay kis baat ka kashth hai? Kisi nay apman kiya hai? Athwa or koi kaaran hai toh kaho may wahi karya karunga jissay tumhay prasanta ho. Apnay pita ki rajkumar nay batein suni toh wo bola "Muje aapki kripa say kisi baat ka dukh nahi haj, kisi nay mera apman nahi kiya haj, parantu may us ladki say vivah karna chahta hu jo sonay ke soop may jou saaf kar rahi thi." Yah sunkar raja ashcharya may pad gaya or bola "putra! Is kanya ka pata tum hi lagao, may uskay sath tumhara vivah awashaye hi karwa dunga" rajkumar nay us ladki kay ghar ka pata bataya, tab mantra us ladki kay ghar gaye or brahman ko sabhi haal bataya. Brahman rajkumar kay sath apni kanya ka vivah karnay ke liea taiyar hogaye, tatha vidhi vidhan kay anoosar brahman ki kanya ka vivah rajkumar kay saath hogaya.

Kanya kay ghar say jataj hi, pahle ki bhaanti us brahman kay ghar garibi ka vaas hogaya. Ab bhojan kay liea bhi ann badi mushkil say milta tha. Ek din dukhi hokar brahman apni putri kay pass gaye. Beti nay pita ki dukhi awastha ko dekha or apni maa ka haal pucha. Tab brahman nay sabhi haal kaha. Kanya nay bahoot sa dhan deykar apne pita ko vida kar diya. Is tarah brahman ka kuch samay vyateet hua, kuch din baad fir wahi haal hogaya. Brahman fir apni kanya kay yaha gaya or sara haal kaha, toh ladki boli "pitaji, aap maa ko yaha leeao, may unhay vrat ki vidhi bata dungi jis say gareebi door hojayegi." Wo brahman apni patni ko saath lekar pahucha toh vo apni maa ko samjhanay lagi, maa tum prat kaal pratham snan aadi karkay Vishnu bhagwan ka poojan va vrat karo toh sab daridrata door hojayegi. Parantu uski maa nay ek bhi baat nahi maani or prat kaal uthkar apni pootri ke bachcho ka jhutan khaliya. Issay uski putri ko bahoot gussa aya or us raat usnay kothri may say sabhi saaman nikal kar apni maa ko usmay band kar diya. Pratah kaal usay nikala tatha snan aadi karakar path va vrat karaya toh uski maa ki budhdhi theek hogai or fir pratek brihaspativar ko vrat rakhnay lagi. Is vrat kay prabhav say uskay maa baap dhanwaan or putrawan hogaye or brihaspat ji kay prabhav say is lok kay sukh bhogkar swarg kop rapt huaey.