tasmā dukkhatopi anattatopi sammasati. tassevam patipannassa aniccato sammasanakāle vuṭṭhānam hoti, ayam aniccato abhinivisitvā aniccato vuṭṭhāti nāma. Sace panassa dukkhato anattato sammasanakāle vuṭṭhānam hoti, ayam aniccato abhinivisitvā dukkhato, anattato vuṭṭhāti nāma. esa nayo dukkhato anattato abhinivisitvā sesavuṭṭhānesupi. (Vism. XXI, 787)

- 1. A meditator firstly begin to meditate vipassanā sankhāradhamma as anicca (having discerned by insight the nature of arising and then perished away) however vuṭṭhānagāminivipassanā cannot arise by meditating only as anicca. It must also be meditated upon as dukkha (having discerned by insight the nature of being oppressed by constant arising and perishing away) and as anatta (having discerned by insight the nature of having no indestructible essence). Therefore he meditates as dukkha and anatta also. If vuṭṭhānagāminivipassanā arise while meditating on sankhāradhamma as anicca, it means that person having begun meditating as anicca, emerges from sankhāra through anicca.
- 2-3. If vuṭṭhānagāminivipassanā arise to the meditator while meditating as dukkha and to another meditating as anatta, then it is having begun meditating as anicca, it emerges from sankhāradhamma through dukkha and through anatta.

Understand it in the same way for the remaining other emergence, having begun meditating on sankhāradhamma as dukkha and as anatta.

According to the decision of the commentary above, the meditator must meditate vipassanā on sankhāradhamma.

- 1. sometimes as anicca
- 2. sometimes as dukkha
- 3. sometimes as anatta, alternately.

THE RAY OF ANATTA

Anicca and dukkha characteristics are apparent in the world, whether the enlightenment of a Buddha occurs or not. Anatta characteristic cannot be apparent without the enlightenment of a Buddha. Only when there is enlightenment of a Buddha that anatta characteristic is apparent. Even the wise righteous person such as sarabhanga who is a bodhisatta with great psychic powers can only able to teach the sankhāradhamma as anicca and dukkha. He was not able to proclaim the teaching on anatta. If such righteous person was able to proclaim the sankhāradhamma as anatta it would had been possible that his disciples/listeners could attain ariyamaggaphalañāṇa penetratively. It is true, indeed, that the proclamation of anatta characteristic is not the scope of any person or beings except sabbaññusammāsambuddha, the omniscient Buddha. As such, anattalakkhana is not an apparent characteristic. Therefore the Buddha taught anatta characteristic by means of teaching it together with:

- 1. anicca characteristic
- 2. or dukkha characteristic
- 3. or both anicca and dukkha characteristics. (vibhanga atthakathā, 46-47)

Nānādhātuyo vinibbhujitvā ghanavinibbhoge kate anattalakkhaṇam yāthāva- sarasato upaṭṭhāti. (vibhaṅga aṭṭhakathā. 47)

If able to discern each rūpa-dhātu and nāma-dhātu, removing the rūpa compactness and nāma compactness, one by one until attaining ultimate reality then the anatta characteristics = the 'sun', the ray of anatta will arise apparently to the insight of the meditator as it really is rūpa compactness and nāma compactness (ghana) can be removed only when one can discern and distinguish the paramattha dhātu one by one through (discerning their) characteristics-function-manifestation-proximate cause by vipassanā insight, analysing the rūpa compactness, nāma compactness especially the rūpa kalāpa and nāma kalāpa by insights. Only if compactness is removed then one will attain ultimate reality insight. Only if ultimate reality insight is attained then the sun ray of anatta will arise appropriately and brightly. Only if one can meditate with vipassanā insight until the anicca, dukkha, and anatta characteristics become clear to the insight then one can attain ariyamagga.

Therefore if one teach and has the opinion that:

- 1. It is not necessary to discern to see rūpa-kalāpa and nāma-kalāpa;
- 2. Sāvaka (disciples) cannot be able to discern rūpa-kalāpa and nāma-kalāpa;
- 3. Sāvaka cannot analyse rūpa-kalāpa and nāma-kalāpa;
- 4. Sāvaka cannot discern the rūpa paramattha and nāma paramattha taught by Buddha;
- 5. Only sabbaññusammāsambuddha can realize rūpa and nāma taught by Buddha; It is only the scope of Buddha;
- 6. These nāma and rūpa can only be realized by arhanta ---

then that teaching deviates from the path of the teaching and note that it is without any reference from the text. Only when one can analyse the rūpakalāpa and nāmakalāpa then he can attain ultimate reality insight. Nibbāna is the dhamma which can be attained only by going through the paramattha sacca realm (ultimate reality); take note that it is not the dhamma which can be attained by going through paññatti realm (concepts).

KALĀPASAMMASANA AND ANUPADADHAMMAVIPASSANĀ

Samūhagahaņavasena pavattam kalāpasammasanam. phassādi ekekadhammagahaņavasena pavattā anupadadhammavipassanā. (dhammasangni-fīkā. 109)

There are two types of vipassanā: namely nayavipassanā called kalāpasammasana and anupadadhammavipassanā. The method of grouping the nāma-rūpa sankhāradhamma as a whole in group of 2 or 5 or 12 or 18 or 12 etc. by means of nāma-rūpa method, 5 khandha method, 12 āyatana method, 18 dhātu method, paṭiccasamuppāda method etc. and meditating according to group is nayavipassanā called kalāpasammasana. [In this method, taking as object, rūpa existing in the 6 doors and 42 koṭṭhāsa as a whole, one meditates vipassanā on their three characteristics alternately. Similarly one must also mediate vipassanā on past, present, future, internal, external rūpa as a whole gradually on their three characteristics alternately. Also in nāma, one meditate vipassanā on the nāma existing in one mind moment as a whole or grouping them as vedanā group, sanhā group, sankhāra group, viñnāṇa group. The method is similar for past, future, present, internal, external etc.]

The method of meditating vipassanā after having analysed the rūpa one by one existing in a rūpa kalāpa such as pathavī, āpo, tejo, vāyo etc., and the method of meditating vipassanā after having taken as object one by one of the citta cetasika group such as phassa, vedanā, saññā, cetanā etc. existing in a mind moment are called anupadadhammavipassanā method.

Among these two methods, visuddimagga (Vism XX, 692) instructed that the meditator who is beginning the meditation should begin with nayavipassanā called kalāpasammasana.

PAŢICCASAMUPPĀDA FACTORS

It is mentioned in visuddhimagga (Vism xx, 694), that paticcasamuppāda factors are included in the list of vipassanā insight objects (... dvādasa paticcasamuppādangāni etc.)

Sappaccayanāmarūpavasena tilakkhaņam āropetvā vipassanā paṭipāṭiyā 'aniccam dukkham anattā'ti sammasanto vicarati. (mūlapaññāsa atthakathā. 1.281)

Above reference from mulapannasa commentary also instructed to meditate vipassana on the three characteristics of nama-rupa together with the cause according to the stages of vipassana insight.

In accordance with these instructions, after having discerned by insight the causal relationships between these paticcasamuppada factors, one must meditate sometimes on the nature of anicca, sometimes on the nature of dukkha, sometimes on the nature of anatta of;

- 1. sometimes cause.
- 2. sometimes effect.

meditating as 'anicca', 'dukkha', 'anatta' alternately.

The meditator meditates vipassanā ---

1. sometimes on internal

- 2. sometimes on external, and among these two;
- 3. sometimes rūpa
- 4. sometimes nāma
- 5. sometimes cause
- 6. sometimes effects
- 7. sometimes as anicca
- 8. sometimes as dukkha
- 9. sometimes as anatta
- 10. sometimes as asubha.

on the three characteristics alternately.

Asubhā bhavetabbā rāgassa pahānāya. (meghiya sutta, udāna pāli).

In meghiya sutta the Buddha had instructed to practise asubha meditation to remove rāga (lust); and similarly instructed in vijaya sutta (khuddaka. 1.308) to paractise asubha meditation to eradicate rāga. Among the three characteristics, asubha is "surrounding" dukkhānupassanā. This vipassanā meditation should be practised on present five khandha.

Furthermore in teparivattadhammadesanā such as anattalakkhana sutta, the Buddha had instructed to meditate vipassanā on past five khandha and future five khandha. In accordance to these instructions take note that one must meditate vipassanā on past khandha and future khandha similar to the method of meditating vipassanā on present khandha.

Therefore altogether,

- 11. sometimes meditate on past
- 12. sometimes meditate on future;

one must meditate vipassanā on these all.

These are important points which the meditator must know in advance relating to the vipassanā meditation. Again one can meditate vipassanā on these nāma-rūpa by various method such as having formed five groups, the five khandha method; having formed 12 groups, the 12 āyatana method, having formed 18 groups, the 18 dhātu method; having formed 12 groups of factors, the paṭiccasamuppāda method etc. In this treatise, the vipassanā meditation by nāma-rūpa method, having formed one group of nāma and one group of rūpa is mainly shown.

VIPASSANĀÑĀŅA AND ABHIÑÑĀ

Concerning the discernment of past and future some venerable teachers have the opinion that only if one attains abhiññā, especially pubbenivāsānussati abhiññā then one can discern the past and future. There are 2 ways of discerning past and future which are by pubbenivāsānussati abhiññā ñāṇa and vipassanā ñāṇa. In the khandhavagga saṃyutta pāli, khajjanīya sutta and the commentary of that sutta taught:

Ye hi keci bhikkhave samanā vā brāhmanā vā anekavihitam pubbenivāsam anussaramānā anussaranti. sabbe te pañcupādānakkhandhe anussaranti etesam vā aññataram, katame pañca

- 1. "Evam rūpo ahosim atītamaddhāna"nti, iti vā hi bhikkhave anussaramāno rūpamyeva anussarati.
- 2. "Evam vedano ahosim atītamaddhāna"nti, iti vā hi bhikkhave anussaramāno vedanamyeva anussarati.
- 3. "Evam sañño ahosim atītamaddhāna"nti...
- 4. "Evam sankhāro ahosim atītamaddhāna"nti...
- 5. "Evam viññāno ahosim atītamaddhāna"nti. iti vā hi bhikkhave anussaramāno viññānameva anussarati (khandhavagga samyutta, khajjanīya sutta. 2.71)

Pubbenivāsanti na idam abhiññāvasena anussaraņam sandhāya vuttam, vipassanāvasena pana pubbenivāsam anussarante samaņabrāhmaņe sandhāyetam vuttam, tenevāha sabbe te pañcupādānakkhandhe anussaranti, etesam vā aññatara nti. abhiññāvasena hi samanussarantassa khandhāpi upādānakkhandhāpi

khandhapaṭibaddhāpi paṇṇattipi ārammaṇaṃ hotiyeva, rūpaṃyeva anussaratīti evaṃ anussaranto na aññaṃ kiñci sattaṃ vā puggalaṃ vā anussarati, atīte pana niruddhaṃ rūpakkhandhameva anussarati. vedanādīsupi eseva nayoti.

(khandhavagga- atthakathā. 79)

'bhikkhus in the world some persons, namely the samaṇabrāhmaṇa can recollect many previous khandha process (former life) by insight if they want. In recollecting like that, these samaṇabrāhmaṇa can recollect the five upādānakkhandha or one of the five upādānakkhan- dha if they want.

Those samanabrāhmana can also recollect by insight, if they want as:

- 1. "that rupa had arouse in the past"
- 2. "that vedanā had arouse in the past"
- 3. "that saññā had arouse in the past"
- 4. "that sankhāra had arouse in the past"
- 5. "that viññāṇa had arouse in the past" (khandhavagga aṭṭhakathā. 79)

pubbenivāsa - Buddha taught using the word 'pubbenivāsa' recollecting the past khandha process. It was not meant the discernment of past khandha process by pubbenivāsānussati abhi-ñīā power. Actually he meant to teach that the samaṇabrāhmaṇa recollect the past khandha process by vipassanā insight power. Therefore the Buddha himself taught that "they can recollect the five upādānakkhandhā or one of the five upādānakkhandhā by insight". The difference is that if the past khandha process is recollected by abhiñīā then that pubbenivāsānussati abhiñīā can know:

- 1. the five khandha where lokuttarā states are included (that means it can know the five khandha where lokuttara states had arisen in ariya persons such as previous Buddha)
- 2. the recollection of five upādānakkhandhā (that means lokuttara states are not included)
- 3. the recollection of clan, beauty, nutriment, happiness, sufferings etc. connected with the khandha.
- 4. the recollection of various concepts such as name concept.

However vipassanā insight cannot know the above 1, 3 and 4; it can only know number 2, which is five khandha, the object of vipassanā insight.

"rūpaṃyeva anussarati = can recollect only rūpa by insight" means that recollecting the past khandha process by vipassanā like that, is not recollecting any person, beings, puggala (= atta) but only ultimate reality. It recollects by insight the rūpa khandha which had ceased in the past. Take note that it is similar for vedanā etc. (khandhavagga aṭṭhakathā. 79)

Therefore note that the meditator can discern and see the past five upādānakkhandha by vipassanā insight. Here, note that nāmarūpaparicchedañāṇa and paccayapariggahañāṇa are included as vipassanā.

AN IMPORTANT KEY FACTOR

Being able to recollect the five khandha by insight is essential for discerning past causes. If one has not yet been able to discern the 5 past khandha then he can never discern past cause which are part of past five khandha, similarly 'the arising of a past effect because of a respective further past causes' and 'the arising present effect because of the relevant past cause' can never be discerned. Similarly if one is not able to discern future 5 khandha then 'the arising of future effect because of present cause (or relevant past cause)' and 'the arising of a further future effect because of relevant future cause can never be discerned. This is because future effect and future cause are part of future 5 khandha.

An important key factor in searching for past cause and effect, and future cause and effect is being able to discern the nimitta that appear at the time of verge of death (maraṇāsanna), which could be either kamma or kammanimitta or gatinimitta. As that nimitta appears due to the force of kamma which is going to produce the effect, it is the important central key factor in searching for the kamma which will produce effect or the kamma which had produced effect or the kamma which is producing effect. It is the nimitta that arise in the appropriate 6 dvāra (sense doors) at the time of maraṇāsanna; it is especially the nimitta which appear in bhavanga mind clear element (manodvāra) at the time of being on the verge of death. Only when able to discern these 6 dvāra, especially manodvāra, then can one further discern the object nimitta which arise in the appropriate dvāra.

Only if able to discern that nimitta then can one be able to discern the kamma which produce the effect, and the avijjā, tanhā, upādāna surrounding that kamma.

Only if able to discern especially bhavanga mind clear element (manodvāra) then can one be able to discern vīthi mind processes which arise in between bhavanga mind clear element (manodvāra). The causes (avijjā, taṇhā, upādāna, sankhāra, kamma) are the states that are included in these vīthi mind processes. They are part of vīthicitta.

In the search for past causes, it is very important to be able to discern the object of past maraṇāsannajavana. To be able to discern the object of that maraṇāsannajavana, it is very important to be able to discern the bhavaṅga mind clear element (manodvāra) exiting at the time of maraṇāsanna in the past life. Only if able to discern like that one can discern ---

- 1. the object of maranāsannajavana which appeared in that bhavanga mind clear element (manodvāra)
- 2. the vīthi mind processes including maraṇāsannajavana vīthi which arise in between these bhavaṅga mind clear element (manodvāra)
- 3. the fundamental cause, kamma which produce that object to appear
- 4. the avijjā, tanhā, upādāna which can cause that kamma.

Simillarly if there is still future life for the meditator he must be able to discern the object of maraṇāsannajavana which appear at time of near death (maraṇāsanna) in the present life. To be able to discern that one must firstly be able to discern the bhavaṇga mind clear element (manodvāra) that arise at the time of near death. Only if able to discern like that, the object of maraṇāsannajavana which appear in that manodvāra; the kamma which is going to produce the effect, causing that object to appear; and the avijjā, taṇhā, upādāna which are the supporting causes of that kamma can be discerned.

Similarly for the meditator who still has to go round the future samsāra, in searching for the causal relationships (paţiccasamuppāda) between the successive future lives he must also be able to discern the object (the nimitta) of the maraṇāsannajavana which will appear in manodvāra existing at the time near the future cuti (death). As that nimitta appear because of the kamma which will produce a new future life, the kamma which cause that nimitta to appear is a fundamental cause for the future khandha such as the second future etc. That nimitta can arise also because of past kamma called aparāpariya; or it can arise because of kamma accumulated in the present life; or it can arise because of the future life kamma, including kamma accumulated before the future death. If one search for the kamma based on that nimitta then one can easily find it. One can also find the avijjā, taṇhā, upādāna which support the kamma. To be able to discern like that, it is necessary to be able to discern the six dvāra, especially bhavanga mind clear element (manodvāra) of the maraṇāsanna period.

Therefore to be able to discern the past and future khandha is a very important requirement not only for vipassanā meditation on past and future khandha but also for the discernment of causal relationships paticcasamuppāda and for vipassanā meditation on the paticcasamuppāda factors.

MEDITATE VIPASSANĀ BEGINNING WITH THOSE EASY TO DISCERN

In accordance with the discipline that one can meditate vipassanā beginning with nāma-rūpa which are easy to discern and are easily clear to the insight, in this treatise, the vipassanā meditation beginning with present nāma-rūpa will be shown first.

Firstly reestablish the concentration progressively which has already attained until the highest. If one can attain fourth jhāna concentration then establish that fourth jhāna concentration again in every sitting. If the meditator is a suddhavipassanāyānika person and has practised four great elements meditation then he should establish the concentration, taking the four great elements as object until the light becomes powerful.

As it is shown in this treatise beginning with rūpa kammaṭṭhana and as it will be easier if switch to vipassanā beginning with rūpa, begin the vipassanā meditation with rūpa.

Firstly regarding the real rūpa existing in the six sense doors, 42 kotthāsa:

a. group the 54/44 types of rūpa existing in one sense door as a whole.

- b. group the 44/... types of rupa existing in one kotthasa (bodily part) as a whole.
- c. group all rupas existing in the six sense bases, 42 kotthasa as a whole. Then ---
- 1. Having discerned through insight, taking as object, the nature of 'arising' and 'perished away' of these rūpa, meditate as anicca for many times again and again. Meditate on internal and external alternately for many times repeatedly. In meditating externally like that, meditate from near to far gradually until infinite universe for many times, again and again.
- 2. Having discerned through insight the nature of "being oppressed by constant arising and perishing away" of these rūpa, meditate as dukkha for many times again and again. Meditate on internal and external, from near to far for many times repeatedly. Extend the insight until infinite universe.
- 3. Having discerned through insight, taking as object, the nature of having no indestructible essence called atta in these rūpa, meditate as anatta for many times again and again. Meditate on internal and external alternately, extending from near to far gradually until intimate universe.

Note: As non-real rūpa are not object of vipassanā meditation on the three characteristics, from this stage onwards do not discern the non-real rūpa.

In meditating vipassanā on the three characteristics continuously and repeatedly, internally and externally like that, be able to see the swift and quick arising and perishing away nature clearly. Meditate as 'Anicca', as 'dukkha', as 'Anatta' moderately slow. Be able to see by insight the arising and passing away as quick as possible but meditate on the characteristics moderately slow.

Having seen the arising and perishing away of rūpakalāpa, do not take that as the object for meditating on the characteristics. After having analysed the rūpakalāpa, discern by insight the arising and perishing away of rūpaparamattha (ultimate reality) only. Only when it is seen meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics.

VIEW AS CESSATION OF RŪPA AND NĀMA

Rupakalāpa are the smallest compactness particles where paññatti much as samuhapaññtti are still not yet removed. As paññatti are not the real existence, they cannot be seen for a long time. When a meditator parctise one kammatthāna, according to his paramī he may find rūpakalāpa. Without being able to discern the pramattha states such as pathavī-āpo-tejo-vāyo-vaṇṇa-gandha-rasa-ojā etc., and without attaining the insight of ultimate reality if he meditate as anicca, dukkha or anatta on the arising of passing away of these rūpakalāpa, the meditator soon cannot find the rūpakalāpa, as paññatti cannot be meditated vipassanā upon thoroughly by insight for a long time. When rūpakalāpa are not seen like that and as the momentum of the concentration is still not weaken yet he may find white or transparent mass. If he keeps his mind calm and stable on that white or transparent mass the mind will be calm and stable on that object. Some meditator said that this is the cessation of rūpa. Then if the meditator reduce a little of his effort, the mind which is calm and stable on that object, may drop into bhavanga. They say that falling into bhavanga (as they are not aware of the object being meditate upon presently, they think they know nothing) is cessation of nāma. It is said that occurrence is seen by insight. Be cautioned.

Take note the teaching of the pali, commentary and subcommentary mentioned above; that ariyamagga cannot be attained —

- 1. by meditating vipassanā on just internal five khandha only,
- 2, by meditating viapasanā on just external five khandha only, and among these,
- 3. by meditating vipassanā just on rūpa only,
- 4. by meditating vipassanā just on nāma only; and
- 5. one cannot escape from saṃsāra (ariyamagga cannot be attained) if doesn't realize the causal relationships, paṭiccasamuppāda distinguishably by three pariññāpañña and
- 6. one cannot escape from samsaradukkha without realizing distinguishably all five upādānakhandha (nāma-rūpa) by three pariñnāpañña.

Another point is that one must take note that if one discern the four elements and ākāsa existing in that transparent mass, rūpakalāpa can soon be seen again.

Note: In vipassanā meditation on rūpa, meditate vipassanā also on non-living rūpa called anupādinasankhāra.

VIPASSANĀ MEDITATION ON NĀMA

After one is quite satisfied with his vipassanā meditation on rūpa, switch to meditate vipassanā on nāma. It is better to switch to meditate vipassanā on nāma after being able to meditate vipassanā on rūpa proficiently and thoroughly.

As nāma were discerned according to āyatanadvāra at the stage of discerning nāma, begin vipassanā meditation on nāma according to āyatanadvāra. Taking as object the nature of "arising then perished away" of the associate mental states (sampayuttadhamma) which accompany vīthi mind moment and the bhavanga mind moment that exist in between vīthi, meditate as "anicca, anicca ...". Meditate on all types of kusalajavana vīthi and akusalajavana vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi, both internally and externally. Firstly beginning from the near, meditate on internal and external alternately for many times. When it becomes powerful, extending it gradually, meditate internally and externally on 31 realms until infinite universe as a whole for many times repeatedly. If one is satisfied with meditating on anicca characteristic, then similarly meditate as "dukkha, dukkha ..." repeatedly after having taken as object the nature of being oppressed by constant arising and perishing away in these nāma. Also if satisfied with the meditation on dukkha characteristic meditate as "anatta, anatta ...", after having taken as object the nature of the absence of an indestructible essence atta in nāma. Meditate on all types of wholesome group of kusalajavana and unwholesome group of akusalajavana in all six lines such as rūpārammaņa line, in both internal and external. In meditating on nāma like that, meditate on the whole vīthi process (as shown in nāma kammatthana tables) of the following;

- 1. Cakkhudvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take rūpārammaņa as object
- 2. Sotadvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take saddārammana as object
- 3. Ghānadvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take gandhārammaņa as object
- 4. Jivhādvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take rasārammana as object
- 5. Kāyadvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take photthabbārammana as object
- 6. Manodvāravīthi which take dhammārammaņa as object,

IF THE MEDITATOR IS A SAMATHAYĀNIKA PERSON

If the meditator is a samathayānika person, it is better to meditate vipassanā beginning with nāma of the jhānasamāpattivīthi which he has attained. For example: Enter into first jhāna. After having emerged from the first jhāna, meditate vipassanā beginning with the nāma of the first-jhānasamāpattivīthi on their three characteristics alternately. Meditate vipassanā similarly on nāma of second-jhānasamāpattivīthi etc. Meditate vipassanā on the nāma totally which exist in the jhānasamāpattivīthi which one has attained. Meditate on the three characteristics alternately for many times, again and again. If satisfied then meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of nāma existing in all six lines such as cakkhudvāravīthi, manodvāravīthi which take rūpārammaṇa as object etc., according to line (is line by line).

GIVE PRIORITY TO MEDITATING ON THE CHARACTERISTICS PREFERED

Evam sankhāre anattato passantassa diṭṭhisamugghāṭanam nāma hoti. aniccato passantassa mānasamugghāṭanam nāma hoti. dukkhato passantassa nikantipariyādānam nāma hoti. iti ayam vipassanā attano attano ṭhāneyeva tiṭṭhatīti. (Vism. xx 721)

The meditator must meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of sankhāradhamma so that it is proficient and powerful. In meditating like that, only if one anupassanānāṇa is supported by the remaining two anupassanānāṇa through powerful upanissayapaccayasatti, then that anupassanānāṇa will become sharp, powerful and purified. Only if that anupassanānāṇa become sharp, powerful and purified, then it can eradicate kilesa.

The anattānupassanāñāṇa being supported by both aniccānupassanāñāṇa and dukkhā-nupassanāñāṇa through powerful upanissayapaccayasatti, will become sharp, powerful and purified. So, the meditator who has meditated thoroughly on sankhāradhamma by aniccā-nupassanā and dukkhānupassanā insights, meditate for many times, again and again on that sankhāradhamma by anattānupassanā insight. Give priority to meditating by anattānupassanā insight. If can meditate like that, attānupassanā insight will become matured, sharp powerful and purified which can "pull out (remove)" diṭṭhi, wrong views on sankhāradhamma. All wrong views micchādiṭṭhi are based on attadiṭṭhi, anattānupassanā is directly opposite to attadiṭṭhi. Therefore anattānupassanā can remove wrong views diṭṭhi.

Another point is that aniccānupassanāñāṇa, being supported by both dukkhānupassanāñāṇa and anattānupassanāñāṇa through powerful upanissayapaccayasatti, will become sharp, powerful and purified. The meditator who has meditated on saṅkhāradhamma by dukkhā nupassanā and anattānupassanā insights repeatedly and thoroughly, must further meditate on saṅkhāradhamma by aniccānupassanā insight repeatedly and thoroughly. Give priority to meditating by aniccānupassanā. Then, the aniccānupassanā insight will become matured, sharp, powerful and purified which can "pull out (remove)" māna (conceited) views on saṅkhāradhamma as permanent such as "idaṃ niccaṃ, idaṃ dhuvaṃ" (= this is permanent, this is everlasting) then one can be haughty with māna like baka-brahmā,

Furthermore, the dukkhānupassanāñāṇa being supported by both aniccānupassanāñāṇa and anattānupassanāñāṇa through powerful upanissayapaccayasatti, will become sharp, powerful and purified. The meditator who has meditated on saṅkhāradhamma by aniccānupassanā and anattā nupassanā insight repeatedly and thoroughly must further meditate on saṅkhāradhamma by dukkhānupassanā. Then the dukkhānupassanā insight will become matured, sharp, powerful and purified, which can cause cessation of attachment on craving (taṇhā nikanti) which hold the saṅkhāradhamma as "mine, mine". Only if there is sukhasaññā (perception of enjoyment on saṅkhāradhamma), the taṇhāgāha = taṇhā view which hold the saṅkhāradhamma as "mine, mine" can arise. Dukkhānupassanā insight is directly opposite to taṇhā view, attachment. Therefore dukkhānupassanā insight can cause the cessation of taṇhā view. (Vism xx 721 & Mahātīkā. II. 415-416)

Therefore after having meditated on the three characteristics thoroughly, then give priority to meditating on one of the characteristics which one prefers for a rather longtime. If that anupassanā insight is not powerful, then meditate again on the other two characteristics. However kilesa are removed by vipassanā insight temporarily only. Only ariyamaggañāṇa can eradicate totally without remainder by samuccheda. To attain ariyamagga one must strive for the maturity of vipassanā insight.

ADDHĀPACCUPPANNA

Among the nāma-rūpa which have already arose, are arising and will arise within one whole life from patisandhi to cuti, meditate vipassanā again and again for many times thoroughly on:

- 1. the three characteristics of just rūpa only alternately
- 2. the three characteristics of just nama only alternately.

It is necessary to meditate for many times by every anupassanā. Meditate one round on internal, one round on external, one round on anicca, one round on dukkha, one round on anatta for many times, again and again.

FIVE KHANDHĀ METHOD

The meditator should again discern the nāma according to āyatanadvāra, especially as in the nāma kammaṭṭhāna tables again. Firstly again discern the cakkudvāravīthi and manodvāravīthi where somanassasahagata ñāṇasampayutta mahākusala javana arise. After having formed the rūpadhamma as one group and the nāmadhamma as four group which exit in each mind moment such as:

- 1. the basis vatthurūpa (54) and rūpārammaņa are rūpakkhandhā
- 2. vedanā in each (moment) is vedanākkhandhā
- saññā in each is saññākkhandhā

- 4. the remaining cetasika sankhāradhamma in each are sankhārakkhandhā
- 5. consciousness in each is viññāṇakhandhā, meditate vipassanā on them. Meditate on their three characteristics alternately.

Meditate vipassanā similary on each of the following vīthi by five khandha method:

- 1. the remaining cakkhudvāravīthi and manodvāravīthi which take rūparammaņa as object
- 2. sotadvāravīthi and manodvāravīthi which take saddārammaņa as object
- 3. ghānadvāravīthi and manodvāravīthi which take gandhārammana as object
- 4. jivhādvāravīthi and manomdvāravīthi which take rassārammaņa as object
- 5 kāyadvāravīthi and manodvāravīthi which take photthabbārammaņa as object
- 6. manodvāravīthi which take dhammmārammana as object.

From pañcadvārāvajjana until manodvāravīthi's tadārammaņa in every line, as shown in nāma kammaṭṭhāna tables, meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of:

- 1. Just rūpa only throughout the line
- 2. Just vedanā only throughout the line
- 3. Just saññā only throughout the line
- 4. Just cetasika sankhāra only throughout the line
- 5. Just viññāna only throughout the line,

In meditating like that, meditate by the five khandha method also on the bhavanga mind moment that exiting in between vīthi. In the same way, meditate on the manodvāravīthi which take dhammārammana as object.

Which quite satisfied with meditating vipassanā on internal by five khandha method, meditate is the same way on external. From the near till the far, meditate in internal and external alternately for many times again and again. Meditate vipassanā, having taken the 31 realms as object, i.e. having extended the insight until infinite universe,

In meditating vipassanā by means of nāma-rūpa method and five khandha method, the meditator should try to attain until khanapaccuppanna. To attain khanapaccuppanna with clear insight, meditate on the bhavnga nāmadhamma that exit in between vīthi mind processes also until khanapaccuppanna.

When quite satisfied with meditating vipassanā on the present by five khandha method, further meditate vipassanā on the five khandha called addhāpaccuppanna which is from paṭisandhi until cuti. Meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of:

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just vedanā only
- 3. just saññā only
- 4. just cetasika sankhāra only
- 5. just viññāṇa only,

in both vīthicitta and vīthimutacitta, from paṭisandhi to cuti throughout. It is necessary to meditate on anicca for many rounds; on dukkha for many rounds; on anatta for many round. Meditate on each khandhā throughout from paṭisandhi to cuti. For example, only after having meditated on rūpakkhandhā throughout from paṭisandhi till cuti, then change to meditate on vedanākkhandhā similarly. Meditate on internal one round and external one round alternately.

MEDITATE ON RŪPA AND NĀMA TOGETHER ALSO

When quite satisfied with meditating vipassanā by both nāma-rūpa methods and the five khandha method, then the meditation can also meditate on rūpa and nāma together if he wants to do so. Firstly meditate vipassanā again on just rūpa and just nāma, internally and externally, until sharp (insight). When able to meditate proficiently and thoroughly, pair the nāma and rūpa together in every mind moment according to āyatanadvāra as shown in nāma kamaṭṭhāna state's tables which are:

- 1. basic vatthu rūpa and object rūpa
- 2. citta cetasika nāma group of every mind moment,
 then taking as object their perishing away or their arising and perishing away, meditate vipassanā

on their three characteristics alternately.

(For example in cakkhudvāra vīthi) meditate on anicca one round, on dukkha one round, on anatta one round, alternately after having been able to discern the arising and perishing away of nāma-rūpa paired together in every mind moment such as in pañcadvārāvajjana (in reflecting mind moment) the basic vatthu rūpa's 54 types of rūpa and rūpārammana are arising and perishing away, the 11 nāmadahamma are arising and perishing away. Meditate according to āyatanadvāra. Meditate on all six dvārs (sense doors). Meditate on all kusalajavanavīthi and akusalajavanavīthi (according to the tables of nāma kammatthāna stage). Meditate on internal and external alternately.

After having meditated internally and externally on the three characteristics alternately of:

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just nāma only
- 3. rūpa and nāma paired together,

Then further meditate vipassanā similarly on

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just nāma only
- 3. rūpa and nāma paired together, from patisandhi till cuti.

Meditate as whole accordingly as they had arose, are arising and will arise. Then further meditate vipassanā by the five khandha method similarly from paţisandhi till cuti.

PAST-PRESENT-FUTURE

After having meditated vipassanā on nāma-rūpa from paţisandhi till cuti called addhāpaccuppanna by means of both nām- rūpa methods and five khandha method again and again thoroughly, and if quite satisfied with it then the meditator can further progress to meditate vipassanā past, present, future nāma-rūpa.

Aniccādivasena vividhehi ākārehi dhamme passatīti vipassanā. (Abhi-aṭṭhakathā, I. 175) As it is the meditation on sankhāradhamma by means of various states such as anicca, dukkha, anatta, so it is called vipassanā.

As mentioned like that in the commentary, only when at the stage of meditating on parammattha sankhāra on their three characteristic it is called vipassanā. Take note that the meditation of the meditator who has not yet attained ultimate reality insight (paramatthañāna) of nāma-rūpa and who meditates on what is arising without separating and differentiating between paññatti (concept) and paramattha (ultimate reality) cannot yet be called vipassanā.

Meditate vipassanā repeatedly again and again on

- 1. the three characteristics alternately of rupa only
- 2. the three characteristics alternately of nama only
- 3. the three characteristics alternately of nāma-rūpa paired together

in one past life as far as the meditator can discern from patisandhi till cuti; then in another (nearer) past life from patisandhi till cuti; then in the immediate past life from patisandhi till cuti; then in the present life from patisandhi till cuti; then in the first future life from patisandhi till cuti; then if there is still future life, in the second future life from patisandhi till cuti; then in the future lives as much as can discern. For those who does not understand clearly yet, the meditation method will be shown further as follows.

(For example) if the meditator is the one who can discern the nāma-rūpa, causes and effects saṅkhāradhamma until the 5th past life, he should meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately again and again of --

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just nāma only
- 3. rūpa and nāma paired together, from past lives till present life, from present life till future life(s), such as ---
- 1. from patisandhi till cuti in 5th past life, then
- 2. from patisandhi till cuti in 4th past life, then
- 3. from patisandhi till cuti in 3rd past life, then
- 4. from patisandhi till cuti in 2nd past life, then

- 5. from patisandhi till cuti in 1st past life, then
- 6. from patisandhi till cuti in present life, then (if there is future life)
- 7. from patisandhi till cuti in 1st future life, then (if there is still future life)
- 8. from patisandhi till cuti in 2nd future life, etc.

Meditate sometimes on internal, sometimes on external, sometimes on internal and external alternately.

Similarly meditate by means of the five khandha method on:

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just vedanā only
- 3. just saññā only
- 4. just cetasika sankhāra only
- 5. just viññāna only,

Sometimes as anicca, sometimes as dukkha, sometimes as anatta, one round on internal, one round on external alternately. Meditate for many times again and again. In meditating like that, meditate vipassanā on whatever rūpa, vedanā, saññā, sankhāra, viññāṇa, whether they are

- 1. olārika = gross rūpa, vedanā, sannā, sankhāra, vinnāņa or
- 2. sukhuma = subtle rūpa, vedanā, saññā, sahkhāra, viññāņa or
- 3. hīna = inferior rūpa, vedanā, sannā, sankhāra, vinnāna or
- 4. panīta = superior rūpa, vedanā, saññā, sankhāra, viññāṇa or
- 5. dūra = far rūpa, vedanā, saññā, sankhāra, viññāṇa or
- 6. santika = near rūpa, vedanā, sannā, sankhāra, vinnāņa.

If able to meditate like that, then it means that the meditator is able to meditate vipassanā on the five khandha - which are rūpa, vedanā, sankhāra, vinnāṇa - existing in 11 ways which are past, future, present, internal, external, gross, subtle, inferior, superior, far, near. Then he is able to meditate the anatta lakkhaṇa sutta way of meditation as follows:

ANATTALAKKHANA SUTTA WAY OF MEDITATION

tasmātiha, bhikkhave, yam kiñci rūpam atītānāgatapaccuppannam ajjhattam vā bahiddhā vā oļārikam vā sukhumam vā hīnam vā paņītam vā yam dūre santike vā, sabbam rūpam netam mama, nesohamasmi, na meso attā ti evametam yathābhūtam sammappaññāya daṭṭhabbam.

- 1. yā kāci vedanā ...pe...
- 2. yā kāci saññā ...pe...
- 3. ye keci sankhārā ...pe...
- 4. "yam kiñci viññānam ...pe... (samyutta, II. 56)

Netam mama nesohamasmi na meso attāti samanupassāmīti aniccam dukkham anattāti samanupassāmi. (uparipamāsa aṭṭhakathā. 232)

- = As the five khandha are only anicca dukkha anatta, monks, in this sāsanā, meditate on all these rūpa existing in 11 ways such as ---
- 1. past rūpa (atīta)
- 2. future rūpa(anāgata)
- 3. present rūpa (paccuppanna)
- 4. internal rūpa (ajjhatta)
- 5. external rūpa (bahiddha)
- 6. gross rūpa (oļārika)
- 7. subtle rūpa (sukhuma)
- 8. Inferior rūpa (hīna)
- 9. superior rūpa (paņīta)
- 10. far rūpa (dūra)
- 11. near rūpa (santika) as -
 - a. "netam mama" = "this rūpa is not my rūpa" (as dukkha)

- b. "nesohamasmi" = "this rūpa is not I" (as anicca)
- c. "na meso attā" = "this rūpa is not my atta/self" (as anatta), removing nāma-rūpa compactness by the vipassanā light (samyutta, II. 56)

Meditate in the same way in the four nāmakkhandha which vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa. Take note that the translation (for nāma) is the same.

GROSS-SUBTLE; INFERIOR-SUPERIOR; FAR-NEAR

Meditating like that, the meditator can meditate on the nāma-rūpa differentiating them as gross subtle etc. if he wants ---

- 1. Pasāda rūpa = five transparent rūpa and gocara rūpa = seven object rūpa = altogether 12 rūpas are the rūpa which are easy to be discerned by the meditator's insight. So they are called gross oļārika rūpa.
- 2. The remaining other 16 types of rūpa being not easy to be discerned by the insight of meditators, are called sukhuma (subtle) rūpa.
- 3. Among nāma, as akusala vedanā, sankhāra, vinnāna are easy to be discerned by the meditator's insight and are gross, so they are called olārika.
- 4. As kusala vedanā, sankhāra, vinnāņa and (vipāka + kriyā) abyākata vedanā, sannā, sankhāra, vinnāņa, such as pacadvārāvajjana; pancavinnāņa; sampaţicchana; santīraṇa; voṭṭhapana; tadārammaṇa; paṭisandhi; bhavaṅga; cuti; kriyajavana etc., are not easily discerned by the insight of meditator and are subtle so they are called sukhuma.
 - 5. Rūpa which are effect of akusala are hīna (=inferior)
 - 6. Rūpa which are effect of kusala are paṇīta (=superior)
 - 7. Oļārika (gross) nāma are hīna (=inferior)
 - 8. Sukhuma (subtle) nāma are paņīta (=superior)
- 9. As subtle rupa are not easily discerned by the insight of meditator and are far from the insight, they are dura (=far)
- 10. As gross rupa are easily discerned by the insight of meditator and are near to the insight they are santika (=near)
- 11. As akusala vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa are far from vipāka and kriya vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa called abyākata; and are also far from kusala vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa. So they are dura (far). Similarly as kusala and abyākata vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa are far from akusala vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa, so they are dūra (far).
- 12. As akusala vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa are near to akusala vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa, so they are santika (near). As kusala + abyākata vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa are near to kusala + abyākata vedanā, saññā, saṅkhāra, viññāṇa, so they are santika (near).

The ways of differentiating them can be found in visuddhimagga XIV, 502 etc.

If the meditator is able to meditate vipassanā thoroughly on:

- 1. Rūpa existing in six sense doors (dvāra), 42 kotthāsa and
- 2. Kusalajavana vīthi, akusalajavana vīthi, nāma groups together with vīthimutta nāma groups which are paṭisandhi, bhavanga, cuti of past till present and from present till the final future by means of the two grouped nāma-rūpa methods or the five grouped five khandha methods, existing in the three period past, future, present and in both internal and external, then gross-subtle-inferior-superior-far-near nāma-rūpa are also included among them. There is no remainder.

Therefore one can meditate vipassanā as above on:

- 1. just rūpa only, then
- 2. just nāma only, then
- 3. nāma and rūpa paired together ---

by the rūpa-nāma method. There is a case where the pañcagga dāyaka couple attained anāgāmimaggaphala through meditating vipassanā in saṅkhāradhamma after having grouped rūpa and nāma as two groups by the rūpa-nāma methods (dhammapada commentary.II.369)

Also if meditate vipassanā on nāma-rūpa after having grouped them into five groups by the five khandha method then, like the elder monks called the group of five (pañcavaggiya) can attain arahattaphala. (samyuttanikāya.II.55)

So it is better if one is able to meditate vipassanā separately on gross, subtle, inferior, superior, far, near nāma-rūpa in the three periods of past, future and present, existing internally and externally.

ASUBHA BHĀVANĀ

The Buddha taught the asubhasaññā meditation in girimānanda sutta (anguttara nikāya-3-343). It is saviññāṇaka asubha = asubha meditation on the living. In meghiya sutta (Udāna-120) the Buddha taught, "asubhā bhāvetabbā rāgassa pahānāya" = practise asubha meditation to be able to remove lust (rāga). In vijaya sutta (suttanipāta-307-308) also the Buddha taught saviññāṇāka asubha = asubha meditation on the living and aviññāṇaka asubha = asubha meditation on the dead. The asubha meditation is part of dukkhānupassanā.

SAVIÑÑĀŅAKA ASUBHA

In asubha meditation of paying discerning attention on the repulsiveness of the 32 bodily parts of living beings, there are two methods which are the method to attain jhāna by paṭikūlamanasikāra and the method to see the asubha fault of the body called ādīnavānupassanā. If pay attention on paṭikūla = repulsiveness of all 32 bodily parts as a whole or some of the parts as a whole or individual parts which exist internally (ajjhatta), then the meditator can attain first jhāna concentration. If pay attention similarly on external (bahiddha) bodily parts then the meditator can attain upacāra concentration. This is already explained in the earlier stage. At this stage, only the meditation on the 32 bodily parts by way of ādīnavānupassanā will be shown.

Meditate as "asubha, asubha ..." taking as object the repulsiveness of the 32 bodily parts. Be able to see the repulsiveness asubha nature by insight clearly. Meditate on internal and external alternately. Extend gradually as much as possible.

At this time, when the bhāvanā meditation insight being well-pastured (i.e. well practiced) in the realm of ultimate reality rūpa and ultimate reality nāma is now meditating on the repulsiveness asubha of the 32 bodily parts, they will disappear and then only small particles rūpa will be found. This is the power of the insight which pasture much (i.e. practise much) in the ultimate reality truth realm (paramattha sacca). In meditating on asubha of the 32 bodily parts in internal and external, if the meditator cannot find the small particles rūpakalāpa easily then if he discerns the four great elements on the bodily parts individually or as a whole, he will find the small particles rūpakalāpa easily by the power of the well-practiced bhāvanā insight. When the rūpa kalāpa are found them after having analysed these rūpakalāpa so that ultimate reality insight is attained as that mentioned in the earlier rūpa kammaṭṭhāna stage, meditate vipassanā again on their three characteristics alternately. Meditate on internal and external alternately. However, in meditating like that, it is only when the meditator is quite satisfied with the meditation on asubha that he should switch to discern the four great elements on the bodily parts and meditate vipassanā on the ultimate reality (paramattha) rūpa, existing in the rūpakalāpa.

THE BODY FULL OF WORMS

Another type of saviññāṇāka asubha = asubha meditation on the living is mentioned in pheṇapiṇḍūpama sutta and its commentary. The body is full of worms where the worms mate and multiply, where they (worms) defecate and urinate; where they are sick; and is their "cemetery". Meditate as "asubha, asubha ...", taking as object the repulsiveness of the body being a place full of impurities and repulsiveness. Meditate on internal and external alternately.

(samyutta commentary.II.294)

When meditated for many times like that, then due to the power of insight which pastures much on ultimate reality truth (paramatthasacca) realm then, very soon, the meditator will find the rūpakalāpa. Then after having discerned the ultimate reality rūpas existing in those rūpakalāpa, meditate vipassanā again on the three characteristics of those ultimate reality rūpas. If the meditator cannot discern the rūpakalāpa easily then when he is quite satisfied with the asubha meditation if he then begin to discern the four great elements on the worms or on the body full of worms, he will very soon find the rūpakalāpa due to the power of the insight which is well trained in ultimate reality realm. After having discerned the ultimate reality rūpa existing in those rūpakalāpa, meditate

vipassanā again on them. Meditate on both internal and external.

ASUBHA NATURE OF ULTIMATE REALITY RUPA

The nature of asubha also exist in ultimate reality rupa which are:

- 1. Duggandha = having bad smell.
- 2. Asuci = having impurities and replusiveness.
- 3. Byādhi = having sickness.
- 4. Jarā= old age = the matured duration phase.
- 5. Marana = death and loss = perishing away phase. (samyutta commentary.II.294)

 Having discerned these asubha nature by vipassanā insight, meditate as "asubha, asubha...".

 Meditate on internal and external alternately.

In this manner, in saviññāṇaka asubha = asubha meditation on the living, having divided the nature of asubha into three types, meditate on;

- 1. The repulsiveness of 32 bodily parts.
- 2. The repulsiveness of 32 bodily being full of worms
- 3. The repulsiveness of ultimate reality rupa.

AVIÑĂŅAKA ASUBHA = ASUBHA MEDITATION ON THE DEAD

Puna caparam, bhikkhave, bhikkhu seyyathāpi passeyya sarīram sivathikāya chaḍḍitam ekāhamatam vā dvīhamatam vā tīhamatam vā uddhumātakam vinīlakam vipubbakajātam, so imameva kāyam upasamharati ayampi kho kāyo evamdhammo evambhāvī evamanatīto ti. (dīghanikāya.II.235)

Furthermore, monks, a monk may find corpse that is dead one day ago or two days ago or three days ago which is bloated, discoloured, trickling with pus and discarded in a cemetery. Seeing thus, the monk reflects on his own body that "My body also has such nature; such nature will occur; it cannot go beyond such nature. (mahāsatipaṭṭhāna sutta- dī-2-235)

Dīghabhāṇaka-mahāsīvatthero pana "navasivathikā ādīnavānupassanāvasena vuttā" ti āha. (dighanikāya-aṭṭhakathā.II.394, majjhimanikāya-aṭṭhakathā.I.305)

The elder monk arahanta mahāsīva, who is reciter of dīghanikāya mentioned that the Buddha taught the nine types of cemetery asubha meditation = navasivathika as ādīnavānupassanā.

The meditator who wants to practise the aviññāṇa asubha meditation in accordance with the above pāli and commentary must choose a corpse and meditate on it. In the samatha stage of asubha meditation to attain first jhana concentration, male meditators must meditate on male corpse and female meditators must meditate on female corpse. In this vipassanā stage, as an ādīnavānupassanā meditation, it is not necessary to choose selection between male corpse and female corpse. The difference or similarity in gender is not essential. However in samatha stage as the meditator has to meditate attentively on an external corpse only and as raga (lust) may arise to disturb (the concentration) at the time of patibhaga nimitta, so it is to meditate on the corpse of the same gender only. In this vipassanā stage of ādīnavānupassanā (= discerning to see the fault of the body of oneself and others) as it is the method of meditation to see the fault of internal and external alternately, the meditator can meditate, taking as object any corpse that is easily to be discerned, without choosing the gender. It is mentioned in the text in vijaya sutta (suttanipāta), that the four assemblies of monks, nuns, laymen, laywomen were instructed to meditate asubhabhāvanā on the corpse of sirīmā as subject. In samatha stage, the meditator meditates only on external corpse, especially on a single corpse only attentively to attain jhāna. However in vipassanā stage, the meditator meditates on internal and external alternately to see the fault, ādīnava.

THE METHOD OF MEDITTAION

When the meditator can meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of alternately of nāma-rūpa = five khandhā in the past future present, internally and externally thoroughly then at that time due

to the vipassanā insight of the meditator bright brilliant light will be arising; or else when the meditator sits for meditation if he again establishes the 4th jhāna concentration which he has attained then due to the insight accompanied with that 4th jhāna concentration, bright brilliant light will be arising. After establishing the concentration step by step gradually; or after practising vipassanā meditation stage by stage progressively it becomes appropriate to meditation aviññāṇaka asubha = asubha meditation on the dead. However if that light of insight is dim, being not powerful then establish the concentration gradually again. When the light becomes brilliantly bright due to the insight with that concentration the meditator can practise on aviññāṇaka asubha meditation.

When the light becomes brilliantly bright due to either samatha meditation insight or vipassanā meditation insight then the meditator takes as object a corpse which he has remembered and has seen it, by that light of insight. Discern shining by that light of insight just like shining by a torch light. Its repulsiveness, asubha must be clear to the insight. It is better if the corpse is decomposed, trickling with foul pus. Meditate on the corpse as "asubha, asubha...", paying attention on its repulsiveness. As the repulsiveness appears to the insight, when the meditating mind is stable on that asubha object the meditator tries to discern his own body by insight. The meditator discerns to see the repulsiveness of his own body as if like that external decomposed corpse. When the meditator sees the repulsiveness of his own body being decomposed, he meditate as 'asubha, asubha'.

If the meditator is not able to discern the repulsiveness of himself by insight then he meditates on the external asubha again. After that he meditates on internal again. If he practises like that for many times then he will be able to discern the internal repulsiveness. However if he is still not yet able to discern it then if he discerns by insight towards the future of himself beginning from the present moment then he will easily find the dead asubha of himself. This discernment will be easy for those meditators who have already discerned or are able to discern the causal relationships, paticcasamuppāda between present causes and future effects.

If the meditator can discern the repulsiveness of himself by insight = by the light of insight then he meditates on internal and external alternately as 'asubha, asubha ...'. In meditating like that, he meditates also on those persons whom he has rāga (lust), extending gradually, as 'asubha, asubha' on internal and external alternately.

If he meditates like that as 'asubha, asubha' on internal and external for many times then due to the power of the earlier vipassanā meditation as well as being much pastured (ie. much practised) in the ultimate reality paramatthasacca realm, the meditator can see the small particles rūpakalāpa of internal and external corpses; or else the corpse may appear to the insight of meditator as changing gradually to heap of bones and then dust of bones. If the meditator discerns the future of the corpse by insight gradually then the insight can discern it until it becomes a heap of bones and then dust of bones. Meditate as 'asubha, asubha' in every stage (If the corpse's decomposition). If one can find the small particles rūpa kalāpa easily then after having discerned the ultimate reality rūpa existing in these rūpakalāpa, especially utuja rūpa, meditate vipassanā on their three characteristics.

If one cannot yet easily find the small particles rūpakalāpa then if he begin to discern the 4 great elements in these internal and external corpses he will then find the rūpakalāpa existing in these corpses. If he analyse these rūpakalāpa then he can find the utujaojaṭṭhamaka rūpa which are produced in succession by the tejodātu that exist in a rūpakalāpa. After having discerned these rūpa further meditate vipassanā on them. Switching the meditation from asubha to vipassanā meditation should be done only when one is quite satisfied with the asubha meditation.

AN UNUSUAL

If the corpse discerned is infested with maggots then when some meditation discern by insight the 4 great elements of such corpse they may not only find the utujaojatthamaka rūpa but also some other rūpakalāpa such as transparent element = pasādarūpa and non-transparent rūpa. The reason is that the meditator is seeing the rūpakalāpa of the living maggots which are subsisting on the corpse, being mixed together (with the rūpakalāpa of the corpse). It is not that transparent pasādarūpa and catusamuṭṭhānika are existing in the corpse.

When the meditator found the rūpakalāpa in internal and external corpse then after having analysed those rūpakalāpa, meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of the ultimate reality

paramattharūpa.

PATICCASAMUPPĀDA FACTORS

In visuddhimagga, chapter XX, 694, the paticcasamuppāda factors are included in the list of objects of vipassanā insight, which reference to the patisambhidāmagga pāli. Therefore the meditator must meditate vipassanā on the paticcasamuppāda factors also.

Discern again the causes and effects by means of anuloma (forward sequence) paticcasamuppāda method which is taught as "avijjā paccayā sankhārā = because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise" etc.. Discerning like that the meditator at this stage must meditate vipassanā on these factors.

Understand that in the successive past and successive futures that:

If the present life is put in the centre (of the cycle of paticcasamuppāda):

- 1. avijjā-sankhāra are of the past.
- 2. viññāṇa-nāmarūpa-saļāyatana-phassa-vedanā-taṇhā-upādāna-bhava are of the present,
- 3. jāti-jarā maraņa are of the future;

And if the first past life is put in the centre (of the cycle of paticcasamuppada);

- 1. avijjā-sankhāra are of the second past life,
- 2. viññāṇa-nāmarūpa-saļāyatana-phassa-vedanā-taṇhā-upādāna-bhava are of the second past life,
- 3. jāti-jarā-maraņa are of the present life;

And if the first future life is put in the centre (of the cycle of paticcasamuppāda);

- 1. avijjā-sankhāra are of the present life,
- 2. viññāṇa-nāmarūpa-saļāyatana-phassa-vedanā-taṇhā-upādāna-bhava are of the first future life,
- 3. jāti-jarā-maraņa are of the second future life.

This is the discernment of linking the causes and effect (causal relationship) between 3 lives again and again.

SOME EXAMPLE OF THE DISCERNMENT

1. Because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise.

Avijjā (arising-perishing) Anicca;

Sankhāra (arising-perishing) Anicca;

Meditate on avijjās and sankhāra which had arose, arise and will arise in the nāma-rūpa process of one self as discerned in the paticcasamuppāda first method. Avijjā is generally the lobhadiṭṭhi group manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process. Sankhāra can be kusala or akusala sankhāra accordingly, it is manodvarikajavana vīthi mind process. As an example, for the meditation's present life specifically, that sankhāra accumulated in the past was only kusala sankhāra. Meditate (on anicca of avijjā sankhāra) in lives which had occurred, is occurring and will occur .Meditate in the same way on dukkha and anatta characteristics.

2. Because of the arising of sankhāra, Paţisandhiviññāṇa arises.

Sankhāra (arising and perishing) anicca;

Pațisandhiviñnăna (arising and perishing) anicca;

Meditate (on anicca) as well on all the other vipākaviññāṇa in the 6 sense door (dvāra) = all vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi, bhavaṅga viññāṇa; also cutiviññāṇa.

Meditate (vipassanā) on the remaining paticcasamuppāda factors until jāti, jarā, maraņa according to that which are already discerned in the linking of causes-effects by paticcasamuppāda first method. Meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of both cause and effect. It is true that according to the sutta method it is necessary to discern only the vipākavaṭṭa states in viñāṇa-nāmarūpa-saļāyatana-phassa-vedanā (mahātī. 2, 323) in the discernment of linking causes and effects, causal relationships. However in vipassanā, as they are being inseparable avinābhāva, it is not wrong to meditate mixed together with pañcadvārāvajjana-voṭṭhabbana-javana-manodvārā-vajjana-javana with the purpose that no paramattha (ultimate reality) dhātu are left out. As much as one can discern, meditate from the successive pasts until the last future. Meditate on internal and external alternately. Meditate as a whole on external; do not distinguish the person, beings.

40 'TO' = 40 WAYS OF DISCERNING

In this Lakkhaṇa Sammasana Stage, 40 ways of discerning called 40 'TO' are mentioned in Visuddhimagga (Vism xx, 697) with reference to Paṭisambhidāmagga. With the intention to be able to remember it easily, the Venerable abbot of Mahā Visuddhārāma mentioned it through verses enumerating Anicca into 10, Dukkha into 25 and Anatta into 5 in his book Paramatthasarūpabhedanī. Dividing the three characteristic into three groups according to those verses will be shown.

10 ENUMERATION OF ANICCA LAKKHANĀ

Rupam aniccam palokam, calam pabhangu addhuvam: viparināmāsārakam, vibhavam maccu sankhatam.

1. ANICCATO

Anaccantikatāya, ādiantavantatāya aniccato. (Vism xx, 698)

Anaccantikatāyāti accantikatābhāvato, asassatatāyāti attho. sassatañhi accantikam parāya koṭiyā abhāvato. (Mahātīkā)

[There are two extremities in Nāmarūpa which are the front extremity, being "arising" and the rear extremity, being the "perishing away". They are called the Upāda extremity and Bhanga extremity. Nāmarūpa are not Sassata eternal which can go beyond the rear extremity Bhanga. They cannot go beyond the rear extremity Bhanga and they have a begining which is the Upāda extremity and an end which is Bhanga extremity. Therefore they are Anicca Dhamma.

Meditate on Rūpa, Vedanā, Saññā, Saṅkhāra, Viññāṇa by 5 khandha method after having formed 5 groups. After having discerned the definition mentioned above, meditate on Rūpa, (Vedanā, Saññā, Saṅkhāra, Vinna) as Anicca.

Here "cannot go beyond Upāda extremity" means the Nāmarūpa do not exist yet before the arising. Also the nature of waiting, getting ready to arise does not exist. Furthermore, after perished away they do not pile up at one place. They occur only at the moment of arising-duration-perishing away (Upāda-Ṭhiti-Bhanga), between the two non-existence, i.e. the non-existence before arising and the non-existence after perishing away. As they have extremity of Upāda extremity of perishing and do not exist beyond these two extremities, Nāmarūpa are called Anicca. Therefore] meditate as Aniccam = there is no permanency (not permanent).

2. PALOKATO

Byādhi-jarā-maranehi palujjanatāya palokato. (Vism)

Meditate as Palokam = having the nature of perishing (because of crumbling through sickness, ageing and death).

3. CALATO

Byādhi-jarā-maraņehi ceva lābhālābhādīhi ca lokadhammehi pacalitatāya calato. (Vism) Lokadhammā lābhādihetukā anunayapaṭighā; tehi, byādhiādīhi ca anavaṭṭhitatā pacalitatā. (Mahāṭīkā)

[Love and hatred have fundamanental cause which are the worldly dhamma such as gain & loss. Due to these worldly dhamma, the quivering & agitation of the mind such as love & hatred occur. As Nāmarūpa can be unstable quivering due to sickness, ageing & death and worldly dhamma such as gain & loss, then] meditate as Calam = unstable and quivering.

4. PABHANGUTO

Upakkamena ceva sarasena ca pabhangupagamanasīlatāya pabhanguto. (Vism)

[As it has the nature of perishing in disarray due to one's own effort or others' effort or its own nature], meditate as Pabhangu = it has the nature of perishing in disarray.

5. ADDHUVATO

Sabbāvatthanipātitāya, thirabhāvassa ca abhāvatāya addhuvato. (Vism)

[As there is the nature of dropping down; i.e. dying at any state of life such as at the young, tender playful age just like a fruit which can drop down from the tree at any time since the stage of a tender fruiting; and even if one does not drop down to die, there is no essence in any all ways, having no strong firmness], meditate as Addhuvam = there is no firm stability.

6. VIPARIŅĀMA DHAMMATO

Jarāya ceva maraņena cāti Dvedhā pariņāmapakatitāya vipariņāmadhammato. (Vism)

[As there is the nature of being subjected to change = changing through 2 ways which are Jarā (Thiti = duration) and death (Bhanga = perishing away)], it is Viparināmam = the nature of change (it means changing from Upāda stage to Thiti = Jarā, Bhanga = marana).

7. ASĀRAKATO

Dubbalatāya, pheggu viya sukhabhañjanīyatāya ca asārakato. (Vism)

[As it is feeble being perishable naturally and as it can be easily perished like sapwood], it is Asārakam = not having a firm essence.

8. VIBHAVATO

Vigatabhavatāya, vibhavasambhūtatāya ca vibhavato. (Vism)

[As having no growth, expansion or increment because it perishes away after arising and as there is the nature of annihilation base on Vibhava-taṇhā, Vibhava-diṭṭhi], it is Vibhavaṃ = it has the nature of annihilation.

9. MARANADHAMMATO = MACCU

Maranapakatitāya maranadhammato. (Vism)

[As there is the nature of death = perishing away], it is Maranadhammam = Maccu = having the nature of death (= having the nature of perishing away).

10. SANKHATATO

Hetupaccayehi abhisankhatatāya sankhatato. (Vism)

[As being formed/ restored directly by hetu cause = Janaka cause and by the supporting Upa tthambhaka cause = Paccaya cause], it is Sankhatam = being formed/ restored by causes again & again.

The causes which can produce Rūpa directly are Kamma; they are the Janaka causes = Hetu causes. The Kilesa-vaṭṭa causes being Avijjā Taṇhā Upādāna are the Upatthambhaka causes which support that past Kamma. However, kilesa-vaṭṭa support Kusala-kamma by Paccaya-satti such as Upanissaya. Kilesa-vaṭṭa support Akusala-kamma by Paccaya-satti such as Upanissya and by causes such as Sahajāta.

Furthermore, Citta Utu & Āhāra are also the Upatthambhaka causes which support the Rūpa. Although Citta utu Āhāra produce some Cittaja Utuja, Āhāraja Rūpas and support some, it is not the same as the way kamma-satti produce Kammaja Rūpas. Citta support Cittaja Rūpas by Satti such as Sahajāta. Utu support Utuja Rūpas by Satti such as Upanissaya and Āhāra support Āhāraja Rūpas by Satti such as Āhāra Paccaya. As they are not Kamma-satti, they are not mentioned as Janaka causes but are mentioned as Upatthambhaka causes.

The Hetu cause (= Janaka cause) of Vipāka Nāma is kamma. Kilesa-vaṭṭa being Avijjā Taṇhā Upādāna, is similar as mentioned for Rūpa above. Take note that the causes such as Vatthu, Ārammaṇa, Phassa etc. being the present causes of all Kusala, Akusala, Abyākata are the Upatthambhaka causes.

Meditate as 'Anicca', or 'Paloka' etc... on the Rūpa (Vedanā, Saňñā, Saňkhāra, Viññāṇa) which one is going to meditate upon, discerning it by insight according to the states explaind above. These are the 10 enumeration for Anicca lakkhaṇā.

25 ENUMERATION OF DUKKHA LAKKHAŅĀ

Dukkhanca rogāgham gandam, sallābādham upaddavam; bhayītyūpasaggātānam, alenāsaranam vadham; aghamūlam ādīnavam, sāsavam māraāmisam; jātijjaram byādhi sokam, paridevamūpāyāsam; samkilesasabhāavakam.

1. DUKKHATO

Uppādavayapatipīļanatāya, dukkhavatthutāya ca dukkhato. (Vism)

Uppādavayapaṭipīļanatāyāti uppādena, vayena ca pati pati khaņe khaņe taṃsamaṅgino vibādhanasabhāvattā, tehi vā sayameva vibādhetabbattā. Udayabbayavanto hi dhammā abhiṇhaṃ tehi paṭipīlitā eva honti, yā pīļanā "saṅkhāradukkhatā"ti vuccati.

Dukkhavatthutāyāti tividhassāpi dukkhassa, saṃsāradukkhassa ca adhiṭṭhānabhāvato. (Mahāṭīkā)

[As Nāmarūpa torture the person who is endowed with Nāmarūpa by oppressive arising and oppressive perishing away in every moment, or another way, the Nāmarūpa themselves are oppressed by constant incessant arising and perishing away; and being the basis-vatthu for

- A. Dukkha Dukkha which is Dukkha-vedanā,
- B. Viparināma Dukkha which is Sukha-vedanā, (it means that it is Sukha at duration stage but Dukkha at perishing stage.)
- C. Sankhāra Dukkha which are Upekkhā-vedanā and Nāmarūpa except Vedanā,

or in another way the basis for Saṃsāra-vaṭṭa Dukkha], Dukkhaṃ = it is the type of Dukkha which is despicable, mean and suffering.

SANKHĀRA DUKKHA- All Sankhāra Dhamma existing in the 3 Realms can be called as Sankhāra Dukkha. However as Dukkha Vedanā and Sukha Vedanā are separately called as Dukkha Dukkha and Viparināma Dukkha respectively, here Upakkhā Vedanā and all Tebhūmaka Sankhāra Dhamma existing in the 3 Realms except Vedanā are mentioned as Sankhāra Dukkha. All these Tebhūmaka Nāmarūpa Sankhāra Dhamma are Sankhāra Dukkha because there is Sankhata Dukkha which conditioned their arising and because of being oppressed by constant arising and perishing away.

2. ROGATO

Paccayayāpanīyatāya, rogamūlatāya ca rogato. (Vism)

[As the effect Nāmarūpa can exist only if the appropriate causes support, that is being adequately caused to exist by the causes; in another way, caused to exist by the appropriate causes; and as it is like the cause of chronic disease], it is Rogam = a painful bad disease.

[It means that as Nāmarūpa are the base where all bodily diseases and mental diseases occur, they are like chronic disease.]

3, AGHATO

Vigarahanīyatāya, avaddhiāvahanatāya, aghavatthutāya ca aghato. (Vism)

[As being like Akusala which is censured by Buddha and other Ariya person; and being able to bring about loss to beings; and being the basis where Akusala called Agha occur], it is Agham = loss / non-benefit.

4. GANDATO

Dukkhatāsūlayogitāya, kilesāsucipaggharaṇatāya, uppādajarābhaṅgehi uddhumātaparipakka-pabhinnatāya ca gaṇḍato. (Vism)

[As being accompanied with suffering called the three types of Dukkha which are Dukkha Dukkha, Viparināma Dukkha, Sankhāra Dukkha; being able to cause oozing with defilement Kilesa such as Rāga etc... by means of object or association (sampayutta) accordingly; being swollen as in the sudden arising phase Uppāda the present, not existing previously and being ripen as in the duration phase Thiti and being erupted as in the perishing phase Bhanga], it is Gandam = an unsightly boil.

Kilesāsucipaggharaṇatāya- "to cause oozing with defilement kilesa such as Rāga by means of object or association (Sampayutta) accordingly" is mentioned meaning that the arising of a subsequent Rāga taking the previous Rāga as object and the arising of Kilesa such as Rāga together with associates Citta Cetasika which take an object that can cause Kilesa. They are pus oozing from Nāmarūpa. It is just like pus oozing from a boil.

5. SALLATO

Pīļājanakatāya, antotudanatāya, dunnīharaņīyatāya ca sallato. (Vism)

- [A) As it produces oppression by arising and perishing away;
- B) And like Dukkha Vedanā etc... penetrates within the body, when Sankhāra Dhamma arise in the body it pierces with arising & perishing away;
- C) And as the 'spike' Nāmarūpa Sankhāra Dukkha is very difficult to be pulled out except by the 'tweeze' Ariya-magga], Sallam = it is a spike that pierces.

6. ĀBĀDHATO

Aseribhāvajanakatāya, ābādhapadaṭṭhānatāya ca ābādhato. (Vism)

- [A) like a patient who is severely sick and cannot move by himself in posture but is helped around by others, i.e. having a body which is depend upon others, similarly the khandha cannot arise by itself but is dependent upon others i.e. the causes,
 - B) And as it is the cause of all diseases] Abadham = it is an overwhelming torturous disease.

7. UPADDAVATO

Aviditānamyeva vipulānam anattānam āvahanato, sabbupaddavavatthutāya ca upaddavato. (Vism)

- [1) As it can bring many unforeseen adversities such as punishment, old age, sickness, death, Apāya etc...
 - 2) As it is the basis for all kinds of torturous adversity] Upaddavam = it is torturous adversity.

.8. BHAYATO

Sabbabhayānam ākaratāya, dukkhavūpasamasankhātassa paramassāsassa paṭipakkhabhūta-tāya ca bhayato. (Vism)

- [A) As the Khandha is 'pit' of dangers such as the danger of present life and danger of future existence:
- B) and as it is being opposite to the supreme relief Nibbana called the cessation of all suffering], Bhayam = it is a great, plentiful danger without happiness (it is a frightful danger.)

9. ITITO

Anekabyasanāvahanatāya itito. (Vism)

[As the khandha can bring a various types of loss/destruation], Iti = it is a terrifying danger.

10. UPASAGGATO

Anekehi anatthehi anubaddhatāya, dosupasaṭṭhatāya, upasaggo viya anadhivāsanārahatāya ca upasaggato. (Vism)

- [A) As it is always followed by loss such as loss of relatives in external and diseases in internal;
- B) and as it is bound up with faults such as Rāga by means of object or associate (Sampayutta);
- C) and as it is unbearable as if like diseases & distress caused by Yakkha and sperits], Upasaggam = it is bound up with torturous adversity.

11. ATĀŅATO

Atāyanatāya ceva, alabbhaneyyakhematāya ca atāņato. (Vism)

- [A) As it cannot protect it from perishing away after arising, since it is natural the khandha perished away after arising;
- B) As it is not able to get free from danger although there is the wish to protect it], Atāṇaṃ = there is no protection from danger.

12. ALENATO

Allīvitum anarahatāya allīnānampi ca lenakiccākāyitāya alenato. (Vism)

- [A) As the khandha is not worthy of being a shelter for one who fearing the danger of suffering wishes to seek a shelter;
- B) and as it is not able to perform the function of eradicating suffering for those who are dependent upon the body (= Khandha) when in fear of suffering], Alenam = it is danger being not a place to hide.

13. ASARANATO

Nissitānam bhayasārakattābhāvena asaranato. (Vism)

[As it is not able to eradicate suffering danger such as birth, old age, sickness, death etc. for those who fearing such danger seek refuge in it], Asaranam = it is danger being not refuge.

14. VADHAKATO

Mittamukhasapatto viya vissāsaghātitāya vadhakato. (Vism)

[As it is just like an enemy, posing as a friend with smiling face, can kill the one whom he has become intimate with], Vadham = Vadhakam = like a murderer who kills all the time, it kills in conventional truth, humans deities Brahma beings so that they exist no longer than three moments.

As it kills the one whom it has become intimate with and whom thinks that "Rūpa Vedanā Sanāā Sankhāra Vināaṇa are happiness and not suffering" so the Khandha is Vissāsaghāti = the murderer who kills the one whom he has become intimate with. It is indeed true that beings in adversity because of holding the view regarding Khandha that "it is mine" = "etaṃ mama". It means that the Khandha called dukkha-sacca arise because of the taṇhā-lobha called Samudaya-sacca. In another way, as in killing the one who has become intimate, so the Khandha kills the one it has become intimate with. Therefore it is called Vissāsaghāti.

15. AGHAMŪLATO

Aghahetutāya aghamūlato. (Vism) Aghassapāpassahetutā aghahetutā. (Mahāṭīkā)

[As it is the fundamental cause of harsh unwholesome Akusala], Aghamūlam = it is the root of loss and suffering.

16. ĀDĪNAVATO

Pavattidukhatāya, dukhassa ca ādīnavatāya **ādīnavato**. atha vā ādīnam vāti gacchati pavattatīti ādīnavo, kapaņamanussassetam adhivacanam, khandhāpi ca kapaņāyevāti ādīnavasadisatāya **ādīnavato**. (Vism)

Pavattidukkhatāyāti bhavapavattidukkhabhāvato. bhavapavatti ca pañcannam khandhānam aniccādiākārena pavattanameva, so ca ādīnavo. yathāha "yam bhikkhave pañcupādānakkhan-dhā aniccā dukkhā viparināmadhammā, ayam bhikkhave pañcasu upādānakkhandhesu ādīnavo"ti. tenāha "dukkhassa ca ādīnavatāyā"ti. adīnanti bhāvanapumsakaniddeso yathā "ekamantan"ti, ativiya kapaņanti attho. Bhusattho hi ayam ā-kāro. (Mahātīkā)

- [A) The Anicca etc. states of 5 khandha are called Bhava Pavatti = existence of Bhava. The presence of such states are also called the fault (Ādīnava) of Khandhas. As the Buddha had taught "Monks, the 5 Upādāna Khandhas are Anicca Dukkha Vipariṇāma Dhamma. Monks, this Anicca Dukkha Vipariṇāma Dhamma are the fault of the 5 Upādāna Khandha. Therefore as there is Bhava-pavatti-vaṭṭa-dukkha, that is the Anicca etc. states of 5 Khandha;
- B) and as there are faults of 5 Khandha, Dukkha-sacca which are Anicca Dukkha Vipariṇāma Dhamma], Adīnavaṃ = it is a bad, defiling fault (It means the states which have Anicca, dukkha, Vipariṇāma Dhamma.

[In another way, a poor & destitute man is called Ādīnava. As 5 khandha is like that poor man who is destitute and have no refuge], Adīnavam = it is poor & destitute, without refuge. (It means that after arising uppāda phase when reaching the perishing phase, Bhanga, there is nothing to rely upon to avoid being perished.)

17. SĀSAVATO

Āsavapadaṭṭhānatāya sāsavato. (Vism) Āsavānam ārammnādinā paccayabhāvo **āsavapadaṭṭhānatā**. (Mahāṭīkā)

[the Kilelsa-vaṭṭa, being Avijjā-Taṇhā-Upādāna, which is the fundamental cause of Nāmarūpa is Āsava Dhamma. These āsava Dhamma arise because 5 khandha, nāmarūpa support by means of Paccaya-satti such as Ārammaṇa-paccaya-satti. As 5 khandha, Nāmarūpa are—the nearest cause padaṭṭhāna of Āsava Dhamma], Sāsavato = it is the development of the 4 Āsava Dhamma.

18. MĀRAĀMISATO

Maccumārakilesamārānam āmisabhūtatāya mārāmisato. (Vism)

Maccumārassa adhiṭṭhānabhāvena, kilesamārassa paccayabhāvena saṃvaḍḍhanato āmisabhūtatā, khandhāpi khandhānaṃ āmisabhūtā paccayabhāvena saṃvaḍḍhanato, tadantogadhā abhisaṅkhārā. devaputtamārassa pana "mametan"ti adhimānavasena āmisabhāvoti khandhādimārānampi imesaṃ yathārahaṃ āmisabhūtatā vattabbā. (Mahāṭīkā)

[There are 5 types of Māra, which are Devaputta Māra, Kilesa Māra, khandha Māra, Maccu Māra, AbhisankhāraMāra, Among them, Kilesa Māra and Maccu Māra are directly mentioned in the commentary. The sub-commentary esplained that all 5 Māra can be considered.

Khandas are the place where Maccu Māra which is death, occurs. (it means that if there is no khandha then death cannot occur). Khandhas are also the cause where Kilesas, being Avijjā-Tanhā-Upādāna, are dependent upon and the cause of their increasing. As khandha is the cause of khanda and as khandha cause the increasing of khandha, khandha is the thing (āmisa) that khandha 'eats' and 'chews'. Therefore khandha is the cause which khandha depend upon to arise and is also the cause of the increasing. Abhisankhāra Māra, being the kusala & Akusala Sankhāra which can form a new life are included in the khandha. Khandha arise because of Abhisankhāra Dhamma, Abhisankhāra also arise according to khandha. The Abhisankhāra are also the Nāma-khandha namely kusala sankhāra & Akusala sankhāra. As for Devaputta Māra understand that it as the Adhimāna Āmisa, which is perceiving as 'Etam mama = mametam= all the states (Dhamma) are mine'. Therefore as 5 khandha are the thing that the Devaputta, kilesa, khandha, Maccu and Abhisankhāra Māras - 'eat, chew and use'], it is Mārāmisam = it is the thing that the 5 Māra (kilesa Māra, Maccu Māra) 'eat, chew and use'.

19. JÄTIDHAMMATO

20. JARĀDHAMMATO

21. BYADHIDHAMMATO

Jāti-jarā-byādhi-maraṇapakatitāya Jāti-jarā-byādhi-maraṇadhammato. (Vism)

[As there is birth = arising phase, old age = duration phase, sickness],

19/ Jāti = it has arising phase,

20/ Jarā = it has duration phase,

21/ Byādhi = it has sickness.

(Marana Dhammato is already included in the 10 enumeration of Anicca Characteristic.)

22. SOKADHAMMATO

23. PARIDEVADHAMMATO

24. UPĀYĀSADHAMMATO

Soka-parideva-ūpāyāsahetutāya soka-parideva-ūpāyāsadhammato. (Vism)

[As khandha are the causes of the arising of Soka, Parideva, Upāyāsa],

22/ soka = it has sorrow/ anxiety,

23/ Paridevam = it has lamentation,

24/ Upāyāsa = it has despair.

25. SAMILESIKADHAMMATO

Tanhādiṭṭhiduccaritasaṃkilesānam visayadhammatāya saṃkilesikadhammato. (Vism)

Samkilesattayaggahanena tadekaṭṭhānam dasannam kilesavatthūnampi saṅgaho daṭṭhabbo. tadārammanā hi dhammā tadanativattanato saṃkilesikā eva. Tathā khuddā, taṇhā, jaṭādīsu (khudātanhājarādīsu) sarīrassa, saṃkilesassa ca saṅgaho daṭṭhabbo. (Mahāṭīkā)

[As khandha are the object of Kilesa which make the mind process (or the living beings where

they occur) defiled together with 3 Samkilesa Dhamma which are Tanhā Samkilesa, Ditthi Samkilesa, Duccarita Samkilesa], Samkilesika Dhammam = Samkilesa Sabhāvakam = it increases the defilement of the 3 Tanhā Ditthi Duccarita or the 10 kilesas.

Study the above thoroughly. Then after having formed the Nāmarūpa into 5 groups by the 5 khandha method, meditate on each (of the enumeration), having discerned their respective meaning and nature, such as "Dukkha, Dukkha... Roga, Roga...".etc.

5 ENUMERATION OF ANATTA LAKKHAŅĀ

Anattāti ca param rittam, tuccham suññanti tālisam; vedanādayo khandhāpi tatheva pañcakāpi vā.

1. ANATTATO

Sāmi-nivāsi-kāraka-vedakādhiṭṭhāyakavirahitatāya suññato. sayañca asāmikabhāvāditāya anattato. (Vism)

[As the 5 khandha itself does not have the nature of being Sāmi, Nivāsi, Kāraka, Vedaka, Adhiṭṭhāyaka which are;

- 1. Sāmi Atta, which owns the body khandha
- 2. Nivāsi Atta, which lives always in every life, without changing although body khandha change
- 3. Kāraka Atta, which performs does all the work & function
- 4. Vedaka Atta, which feels the object
- 5. Adhiṭṭhāyaka Atta, which determines & decides on all the work & function], Anattā = it is not (Sāmi, Nivāsi, Kāraka, Vedaka, Adhiṭṭhāyaka) Atta.

2. SUÑÑATO

[As every khandha is void of Sāmi Atta, Nivāsi Atta, Kāraka Atta, Vedaka Atta, Adhiṭṭhāyaka Attas], Suññaṃ = it is void of (Sāmi, Nivāsi, Kāraka, Vedaka, Adhiṭṭhāyaka) Atta.

3. PARATO

Avasatāya avidheyyatāya ca parato. (Vism)

Avasatāyāti avasavattanato, yathā payosatanto puriso payassa vasam na gacchati, evam subhasukhādibhāvena vase vattetum asakkuņeyyato. avidheyyatāyāti "mā jīratha, mā mīrathā"ti ādinā vidhātum asakkuņeyyato. (Mahāṭīkā)

[Khandhas arise according to the causes as mentioned in the Paţiccasamuppāda stage of discerning causal relationships. Like a man who has his own decision does not need to follow according to other's wish, similarly the khandha do not follow according to one's own wish such as wishing that pain Dukkha-vedanā does not arise, wishing that only pleasant Sukha-vedanā arise, wishing to be beautiful & good-looking etc. As it does not follow other's wish and is not able to give command such as "Do not be old; Do not be sick; Do not die"], Paraṃ = an outside stranger who is always not intimate.

4. RITTATO

Yathā parikappitehi dhuva-subha-sukhattabhāvehi rittatāya rittato. (Vism)

[Outside the Sāsanā there are those who, holding wrong views Micchāditthi, believe that the Nāmarūpa, 5 khandha are (1) Dhuva = permanent state, (2) Subha = beautiful (3) Sukha = happiness (4) Atta. However these Nāmarūpa, 5 khandha are always empty of Dhuva, Subha,

Sukha, Atta which are believe to be so by those who have wrong views Micchā-diṭṭhi. Therefore], Rittam = they are always without and empty of essence which are Dhuva, Sukha, Sukha, Atta.

5. TUCCHATO

Rittatāyeva tucchato appakattā vā. appakampi hi loke tucchanti vuccati. (Vism)

[An essence which is Dhuva, Subha, Sukha, Atta does not exist in the 5 khandha, Nāmarūpa. Therefore as the 5 khandha, Nāmarūpa are empty of Dhuva, Subha, Sukha, Atta], it is Tuccham = it is worthless / in vain.

In another way, although the 5 khandha, Nāmarūpa are empty of Dhuva, Subha, Sukha, Atta, it is not that they do not exist in ultimate realities, they exist in arising phase, duration phase, perishing phase, (Uppāda-Ṭhiti-Bhanga). As the life time of ultimate realities, which occour in arising phase, duration phase, perishing phase, is very short so Nāmarūpa, ultimate reality can exist only for a very short time. As they can exist for a short time only, Tuccham = it is worthless / in vain.

THE BASE CAUSE FOR BEING ANICCA DUKKHA ANATTA

Rūpam bhikkhave aniccam, yopi hetu yopi paccayo rūpassa uppādāya, sopi anicco. aniccasambhūtam bhikkhave rūpam, kuto niccam bhavissati.

(samyuttanikāya.II.20, sahetuaniccasuttam.)

Monks, rūpa is anicca. There are hetu cause = janaka cause which can produce the rūpa directly; there are also paccaya cause = upatthambhaka cause which supports it. These cause are anicca, Monks, how can the rūpa which is produced by anicca cause, be nicca

In accordance with the Buddh's teachings in such suttas since the causes themselves such as avijjā-tanhā-upādāna-sankhāra-kamma which can produce five khandhā are anicca, dukkha anatta. So the effects nāmarūpa/ five khandha are also anicca, dukkha, anatta. The meditator must further meditate to realize by insight that as the causes themselves are anicca, dukkha, anatta, the effects are also anicca, dukkha, anatta.

200 VARIETIES OF NAYA-VIPASSANĀ

In rūpa khandhā or in each khandha there are

1. aniccānupassanā

10 enumerations

2. dukkhānupassanā

25 enumerations

3. anattānupassanā

5 enumerations,

which is atotal of 40 ways of discerning (bhāvanā).

As there are 40 ways of discerning in each khandhā so there are a total of 200 varieties of sammasanañāna called naya-vipassanā in the 5 khandhas.

Firstly meditate on anicca only of the 5 khandhas in vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi according to the tables show in nāmakamaṭṭhāna stage, throughout every row (ie. sequence of mental process). Meditate on all 6 lines such as rūparammaṇa line. Meditate on internal and external alternately; then gradually meditate until the 40 ways of discerning are finished. The meditator must meditate for 40 times.

Similarly, meditate on all the 40 anupassanā one after another, from the successive pasts till the last future life by the 5 khandha method. There are also 40 times (of meditation). However it is better if able to meditate more. Meditate on internal and external.

If the meditator wants, he can meditate on these 40 ways of discerning by nāmarūpa method. Meditate on all 6 types of vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi by the nāmarūpa method, internally and externally alternately. Then the meditator can meditate on the successive past lives till the last future life by the nāmarūpa method. Meditate on both internal and external. Meditate for many

times, again and again.

PAÑÑĀBHĀVANĀ CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED

evam kālena rūpam kālena arūpam sammasitvāpi tilakkhaņam āropetvā anukkamena patipajjamāno eko paññābhāvanam sampādeti. (Vism.xx. 705)

anukkamenāti udayabbayañāṇādhigamānukkamena paññābhāvanam sampādeti arahattam adhigacchati. (Vism, mahātīkā.II.405)

If the meditator meditates vipassanā by the 5 khandha method or if possible by the 12 āyatana method, 18 dhātu method as well and by nāmarūpa method on -

- 1. Sometimes just rūpa only
- 2. Sometimes just nāma only
- 3. Sometimes rūpa and nāma paired together or in another way:
- 1. Sometimes on just rūpa only
- 2. Sometimes on just vedanā only
- 3. Sometimes on just saññā only
- 4. Sometimes on just sankhāra only
- 5. Sometimes on just viññāṇa only
- 6. Sometimes on internal
- 7. Sometimes on external
- 8. Sometimes on past, future, present in internal and external
- 9. Sometimes anicca characteristic
- 10. Sometimes dukkha characteristic
- 11. Sometimes anatta characteristic.

and if he practises vipassanā meditation like that according to the stages of vipassanā ñāṇa might then paññā bhāvanā can be accomplished = arahatta phala can be attained. If it is not yet accomplished then it is necessary to meditate for many times, again and again.

If not able to accomplish it then one can switch to meditate by rūpasattaka method and arūpa sattaka method.

RŪPASATTAKAVIPASSANĀ METHOD OF MEDITATION

ādānanikkhepanato, vayovuddhatthagāmito; āhārato ca ututo, kammato cāpi cittato; dhammatārūpato satta, vitthārena vipassati. (Vism.xx. 706)

1. ĀDĀNANIKKHEPARŪPA METHOD

Meditate vipassana on the three characteristics alternately of rupa that exist in the period between patisandhi and cuti, internally and externally.

2. VAYOVUDDHATTHAGANMA METHOD

It is to meditate on the cessation stage by stage of life, assuming the life span of the meditator is 100 years, generally (It may be more or less).

- A. Dividing the 100 years into 3 periods as stages (33-34-33) years then it is 33 years in each (period/stage).
- B. Dividing the 100 years into 10 periods then it is 10 years in each period.
- C. Dividing the 100 years into 20 periods then it is 5 years in each period.
- D. Dividing the 100 years into 25 periods then it is 4 years in each period.
- E. Dividing the 100 years into 33 periods then it is 3 years in each period.
- F. Dividing the 100 years into 50 periods then it is 2 years in each period.
- G. Dividing the 100 years into 100 periods then it is 1 years in each period.
- H. Dividing the 100 years into 300 periods then it is in the period of each individual season (there are 3 seasons in Burma/Myanmar)
- I. Dividing the 100 years into 600 periods then it is 2 months in each period.

J. Dividing the 100 years into 2400 periods then it is one pakkha = 15 days in each period.

Meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of rūpas arising in each period, one period after another, gradually. Meditate to realize also that the rūpa existing in one period of life does not shift to go to the next period of life. Discern to realize that they perished at that moment.

After that divide the rupas existing in one day:

- 1. into 2 periods namely day time and night time,
- 2. and into 3 periods for the day time namely morning, afternoon and evening and 3 periods for the night time namely night fall, midnight and before the break of dawn. (that means dividing into 6 periods for one day).

Meditate on the three characteristics alternately of the rūpa existing in each of these periods. (Assuming that the life span is 100 years, it is to meditate on the 6 periods in each and every day. It is not just to meditate on one day only). After meditating vipassanā like that then meditate on the 3 characteristics alternately of each of the following rūpa which exist in each of the 6 periods of one day:

- 1. the rupas occurring while going forward
- 2. the rupas occurring while returning
- 3. the rūpas occurring while looking straight
- 4. the rūpas occurring while looking aside. (It is to meditate on each day of the 100 years).

After that, in the moments of bodily postures (iriyāpatha) and comprehension of activities (sampajāna) involved in one day such as going for ward, returning etc., meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of the rūpa occurring in each of the following 6 types;

- 1. rūpa occurring while lifting the foot from the ground,
- 2. rupa occurring while pushing the raised foot forward (until where the other stationary foot is),
- 3. rūpa occurring while pushing the foot forward, going beyond the stationary foot.
- 4. rūpa occurring while putting the foot down, after having gone beyond the other stationary foot.
- 5, rūpa occurring while touching the ground,
- 6. rūpa occurring while the foot is pressing on the ground just before lifting it again for the next step.

(Understand that the instruction to meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics of the rūpa occurring while in those postures, iriyāpatha and activities, sampajāna are by way of upalakkhaṇa and nidassana, just like 'if shown just the shadow, one knows what it is'). Meditate on all bodily movements occurring daily during the 100 years.

3. ĀHĀRAMAYARŪPA METHOD

Meditate vipassanā on each of the 3 characteristics of the catusantatirūpa (which are produced by the 4 Causes, kamma-citta-utu-āhāra) that are occurring in the following 2 types of period of each day:

- 1. Catisantati rūpa that are occurring when one is hungry;
- 2. Catusantati rupa that are occurring after having enter food sufficiently.

4. UTUMAYARŪPA METHOD

Meditate vipassanā on each of the 3 characteristics of the following rūpa occurring daily:

- 1. Catusantati rūpa that are occurring when it is hot.
- 2. Catusantati rūpa that are occurring when it is cold.

5. KAMMAJARŪPA METHOD

Meditate vipassanā on the 3 characteristics, having discerned the arising and perishing of the following rūpa in one dvāra without changing to another dvāra;

- 1. Cakkhudvāra = 54 types of rūpa arising in the eye
- 2. Sotadvāra = 54 types of rūpa arising in the ear
- 3. Ghānadvāra = 54 types of rūpa arising in the nose

- 4. Jivhādvāra = 54 types of rūpa arising in the tongue
- 5. Kāyadvāra = 44 types of rūpa arising in the body
- 6. Manodvāra = 54 types of rūpa arising in the heart.

It is to meditate vipassanā on each day rūpa of every dvāra.

6. CITTASAMUŢŢHĀNARŪPA METHOD

Meditate vipassanā on the 3 characteristics alternately of all the catusantatirūpa occurring daily as follow;

- 1. Somanassita = rūpa that are arising when being glad.
- 2. Domanassita = rūpa that are arising when being sad.

7. DHAMMATĀRŪPA METHOD

The meditator most meditate on utujaojaṭṭhamaka rūpa, saddanavaka rūpakalāpa existing in the world of inanimate things / non-living things such as iron, brass, lead, gold, silver, pearl, ruby, cat's eye(gem), conch shell, crystal, coral, trees, water, earth, forest, mountains etc. which are anindriya baddha = not connected with indriya called kammaja rūpa such as jīvitindriya etc. Discern the 4 great elements existing in these inanimate things such as gold, silver, ruby, trees, water, earth, forest, mountains etc. by the light produced by vipassanā insight. When seeing the rūpakalāpa, discern the 8 or 9 types of ultimate reality paramattha rūpa existing in these kalāpa. Then meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of these ultimate reality rūpa.

Note: Rūpa from number 1 to 6 are rūpa of the animate or living world; meditate on both internal and external. As for number 7 dhammatā rūpa, it is inanimate anupādinna sankhāradhamma; meditate on external inanimate world only.

ARŪPA SATTAKA METHOD

There are 7 methods in the vipassanā meditation method of arūpasattaka which are kalāpa, yamaka, khanika, paṭipāṭi, diṭṭhiugghāṭana, mānasamugghāṭana, nikantipariyādāna methods.

KALĀPA METHOD = METHOD IN GROUPING AS A WHOLE

The mind which is meditating vipassanā on the rūpa in the 7 rūpasattaka methods as anicca (or dukkha or anatta) alternately is meditated upon again by a subsequent vipassanā mind as anicca (or dukkha or anatta) alternately. this method is called kalāpa method.

Meditate as 'anicca' on the rūpa in the 7 rūpasattaka methods after having grouped then as a whole without separating the 7 methods such as ādānanikhepa rūpa etc. That vipassanā mind which is meditating as 'anicca' is to be meditated upon again by a subsequent vipassanā mind as anicca; then by a subsequent vipassanā mind as 'anatta'.

Also, meditate as 'dukkha' on the rūpa in the 7 methods (as a whole). That vipassanā mind which is meditating as dukkha is to be meditated upon again by a subsequent vipassanā mind as anicca; then meditate vipassanā as dukkha; then as anatta.

Further more meditate as anatta on the rūpa in the 7 methods (as a whole). That vipassanā mind which is meditating as anatta is to be meditated upon again by a subsequent vipassanā mind as anicca, then as dukkha, then as anatta. This method is called kalāpa method. It is the vipassanā meditation on the rūpa in the 7 methods, grouping then as a whole.

PREVIOUS VIPASSANĀ MIND, SUBSEQUENT VIPASSANĀ MIND

It is mentioned in the ñāṇavibhaṅga commentary (abhidhamma commentary) that the mind which is meditating vipassanā (for phuthujana and sekkha) is mahākusala manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process.

Sekkhā vā puthujjanā vā kusalam aniccato dukkhato anattato vipassanti. kusale niruddhe vipāko tadārammaņatā uppajjati. (Paṭṭhāna.I.133)

Sekkhāariya persons and puthujjana persons meditate vipassanā on kusala dhamma as anicca, dukkha, anatta. When the kusala dhamma = vipassanā kusalajavana ceased then subsequent to that vipassanā kusalajavana, kāmāvacara vipāka tadārammaņa arise.

Tam kusalassa javanassa ārammaņabūtam vipassitakusalam ārammaņam katvā uppajjatīti attho. (Abhidhamma aṭṭhakathā,III.436)

Kāmāvacara vipāka citta arise, functioning as tadārammaņa, taking as object the kusala dhamma which is the object of that vipassanā kusalajavana. (abhidhamma aṭṭḥakathā.III.436)

Take note that in accordance with the above text, subsequent to the not matured yet taruna vipassanā javana, tadārammaṇa can arise.

Tilakkhaṇārammaṇikavipassanāya tadārammaṇam na labbhati. vuṭṭhānagāminiyā balavavipassanāya tadārammaṇam na labbhati. (abhidhamma aṭṭhakathā.II.147)

According to the explanation of the above commentary, take note that subsequent to the powerful balavavipassanā javana, tadārammaņa cannot arise. Therefore there are 2 types as to whether tadāramana arise or do not arise subsequent to vipassanā javana. The vipassanā manodvārika javana vithi mind processes are as follows:

VIPASSANA MANODVARIKAJA VANA VIIII			
manodvāravajana (1)	javana (7)	sahetuka tadārammaņa (2)	/ahetuka tadārammaņa (2)
accompanied with ñāṇa and pīti - 12	34	34	/12/11
accompanied with ñāṇa but not with pīti - 12	33	33	/11/11
accompanied with pīti but not with ñāṇa - 12	33	33	/12/11
not accompanied with ñāṇa and pīti - 12	32	32	/11/11

VIPASSANĀ MANODVĀRIKAIAVANAVĪTHI

Take note that the whole manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process together with the accompanying metal factors (cetasikas) are called as:

- 1. the mind which is meditating as anicca; the mind meditating as dukkha; the mind meditating as
- 2. the 1st mind, 2nd mind etc.
- 3. the previous mind, the subsequent mind, by means of ekatta method.

The reason is that the object of the 1st manodvārika vipassanā mind process is the rūpa dhamma of the 7 methods; and the object of the 2nd manodvārika vipassanājavana vīthi is the 1st manodvārika vipassanā javana mind process = nāma dhamma. It is extremely difficult that in the javana vīthi mind process which has only one āvajjana, one mind takes rūpa as object and another mind takes nāma as object. Therefore take note that the vīthi which takes rūpa as object is one vīthi and the vīthi which takes nāma as object is another vīthi. Take note that the whole of one vīthi mind process is called previous mind or subsequent mind etc. by the ekatta method. Tadārammaṇa may or may not arise. If tadārammaṇa arises then it may be ahetuka tadārammaṇa or sahetuka tadārammaṇa accordingly.

2.YAMAKA = METHOD BY PAIRS

After having meditated as anicca on the ādānanikkhapa rūpa, meditate vipassanā on that meditating mind by a subsequent mind as anicca, as dukkha, as anatta separately. (Note that it is similar for having meditated as dukkha and as anatta).

Take note that the method is the same in vayovuddhatthangama rūpa, āhāramaya rūpa, utumaya rūpa, kammaja rūpa, cittasamuṭṭhāna rūpa and dhammatā rūpa. In the kalāpa method, the rūpa in the 7 methods are meditated upon as a whole, without differentiately the method; but as for the yamaka method, meditate after having separated them into individual methods. This is the only difference.

However, although it is to meditate after having separated the individual methods, it is necessary to meditate thoroughly in each method. This is especially so in the vayovuṭṭhaṅgama rūpa of the rūpa sattaka; (meditate on the rūpa and then meditate on the meditating vipassanā mind thoroughly according to the divided stage of periods of life such as) meditate on the rūpa of the 1st periods of life then meditate again on the meditating insight = meditating mind; after that meditate on the rūpa of the 2nd periods of life then meditate = again on the meditating insight = meditating mind; etc. Understand that the way is the same for the other rūpa.

3.METHOD BY KHANIKA

The meditator meditates on the adananikhepa rupa as anicca and then;

- 1 he meditates on that 1st meditating mind (1st vipassanā manodvārikajavana vīthi) by a 2nd mind (= 2nd vipassanā manodvārikajavana vīthi mind),
- 2. then on the 2nd mind by a 3rd mind,
- 3. then on the 3rd mind by a 4th mind,
- 4. then on the 4th mind by a 5th mind, as anicca. (Also meditate as dukkha and as anatta alternately.)

Note that the way is the same in meditating on ādānanikkhepa rūpa as dukkha and as anatta. Understand that it is similar for the other rūpa such as vayovuḍḍhatthaṅgama rūpa etc. Meditate on the rūpa according to the rūpasattaka methods and at each time (i.e. at each method), the vipassanā manodvārikajavana vīthi meditating on the rūpa must be meditated upon in 4 sequences (as above). It is the meditation on a preceding vipassanā manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process.

4. METHOD BY PAŢIPĀŢI

After having meditated on ādānanikkhepa rūpa as anicca, then meditate as anicca:

- 1. on that 1st mind which is meditating like that by a 2nd mind
- 2. then on that 2nd mind by a 3rd mind
- 3. then on that 3rd mind by a 4th mind
- 4. then on that 4th mind by a 5th mind
- 5. then on that 5th mind by a 6th mind
- 6. then on that 6th mind by a 7th mind
- 7. then on that 7th mind by a 8th mind
- 8. then on that 8th mind by a 9th mind
- 9. then on that 9th mind by a 10th mind
- 10. then on that 10th mind by a 11th mind.

Also meditate as dukkha and as anatta. [Understand that the way is the same for meditating on ādānanikkhepa rūpa as dukkha and as anatta; and also for meditating on the other rūpa such as vayovuddhatthangama rūpa etc. as anicca or as dukkha or as anatta.]

5.DIŢŢHIUGGHĀŢANA =METHOD BY REMOVING WRONG VIEWS DIŢŢHI

If meditate vipassanā on the sankhāra dhammas states of anatta (= as anatta) thoroughly then it means the removal of ditthi. [Anattānupassanāñāṇa which has the support of aniccānupassanāñāṇa and dukkhānupassanāñāṇa by means of powerful upanissaya-paccaya-satti force can remove ditthi = attaditthi].

6. MĀNAUGGHĀṬANA= METHOD BY REMOVING MĀNA

If meditate vipassanā on the sankhāra dhamma's states of anicca (= as anicca) thoroughly then it means the removal of māna. [aniccānupassanāñāṇa which has the support of dukkhānupassanāñāṇa and anattānupassanāñāṇa by means of powerful upanissaya-paccaya-satti force can remove māna].

7. NIKANTI PARIYĀDĀNA = METHOD SUCH THAT TAŅHĀ NIKANTI IS ENDED AND NOT TO ARISE

If meditate vipassanā on the sankhāra dhamma's states of dukkha (= as dukkha) thoroughly then it means the ending of nikanti which is the subtle tanhā. [dukkhānupassnānāna which gets the support of aniccānupassanānāna and anattānupassanānāna by means of powerful upanissayapaccaya-satti can end tanhā; therefore tanhā does not arises.]

CAUTION: Meditating on just anatta only of sankhāra dhamma then anattānupassanāñāṇa cannot remove diṭṭhi; meditating on just dukkha only then dukkhānupassanāñāṇa cannot end taṇhā; meditating on just anicca only then aniccānupassanāāṇa cannot remove māna. Only if one anupassanāñāṇa is supported by remaining 2 anupassanāñāṇa then that anupassanāñāṇa can remove the relevant defilements kilesa. (Look in Vism.xx. 721 and Mahāṭīkā.II. 415-416)

In accordance with the above instruction after having meditated vipassanā thorough on the three characteristics alternately of sankkhā dhamma existing in the 3 periods, internally and externally by means of rūpa nāma method, 5 khandha method, paṭiccasamupāda method then meditate;

- 1. on mainly anicca only
- 2. on mainly dukkha only
- 3. on mainly anatta only,

of these sankhāra dhamma for at least one sitting (meditation) on each. How could the perception of soul/atta in sankhāradhamma occur in the insight of the meditator whose insight of anattānupassanā on sankhāradhamma existing in the 3 periods past-fucture-present internally and externally is matured Similarly, how could the perception of permanency (nicca) in sankhāradhamma occur in the insight of the meditator whose insight of aniccānupassanā on sankhāradhamma is matured Similarly, how could the conceited māna view as 'I, I' occur. Māna views arise only in those who have the perception of permanency. Similarly, how could the perception of happiness (suka) in sankhāradhamma occur in the insight of the meditator whose insight of dukkhānupassanā on sankhāradhamma is matured Attachment, tanhānikanti can occur in the mental process of those who have the perception of happiness, sukha in sankhāradhamma. Therefore tanhānikanti, attachment cannot occur in the meditator whose insight of dukkhānupassanā is matured.

BECAME PROFICIENT

Ettāvatā panassa rūpakammaṭṭhānampi arūpakammaṭṭhānampi paguṇaṃ hoti. (Vism.xx. 721)

If able to meditate skilfully by means of both rūpasattaka and arūpasattaka methods internally and externally then the meditator becomes proficient in rūpa kammaṭṭhāna and nāma kammaṭṭhāna. It is much better if able to meditate on past-future-present internally and externally.

SAMMASANAÑĀŅA STAGE IS FINISHED

UDAYABBAYA-ÑĀŅA STAGE

RŪPA AND NĀMA METHOD + 5 KHANDHA METHOD

The objects of udayabbaya-ñāṇa are khadhā, āyatana, dhātu, saccā, paṭiccasamuppāda factors. As for the paṭiccasamuppāda factors, only the factors from avijjā to bhava are included in the list of the objects of udayabbyānupassanā-ñāṇa. (paṭisaṃ. 52)

Those who want to try to attain udayabbayānupassanāñāṇa firstly meditate vipassanā thoroughly sometimes on anicca lakkhaṇa, sometimes on dukkha lakkhaṇa, sometimes on anatta lakkhaṇa of the present (paccuppanna).

- 1. of just rūpa only (internally and externally alternately)
- 2. then of just nāma only (internally and externally alternately)
- 3. then of just nāma and rūpa together (internally and externally alternately)

In meditating on just rūpa only or on just nāma only in every line of all the 6 types of vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi, meditate until attaining khaṇapaccuppanna. Similarly meditate vipassanā thoroughly by means of the 5 khandha method, sometime on anicca characteristics, sometimes on dukkha characteristic, sometimes on anatta characteristic until attaining khaṇapaccuppana of:

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. then just vedanā only
- 3. then just saññā only
- 4. then just sankhāra
- 5. then just viññānņa only.

Meditate one round on internal, then one round on external.

Similarly meditate vipassanā on three characteristics alternately of the paţiccasamuppāda factors namely avijjā-saṅkhāra-viññāna-nāmarūpa-salāyatana-phassa-vedanā-taḥhā-upādāna-bhava (= kammabhava + upapattibhava), having taken as object only the arising and perishing of these factors, without linking the causes and effects.

PAST, FUTURE, PRESENT, INTERNAL, EXTERNAL

If the meditator is able to meditate vipassanā thoroughly until attaining khaṇapaccuppanna on the saṅkhāra dhamma of the present and if the insight is also clear then meditate vipassanā thoroughly

- 1. sometimes on anicca characteristics
- 2, sometimes on dukkha characteristics
- 3. sometimes on anatta characteristics,

From the successive past till the present, from the present till the last future by the nāma rūpa method and 5 khandha method, one round internally, one round externally of:

- 1. just rūpa only
- 2. just nāma only
- 3. nāma and rūpa together and then
- 1. of just rupa only
- 2. of just vedanā only
- 3. of just saññā only
- 4. of just sankhāra only
- 5. of just viññāna only.

It is necessary to meditate for many times on anicca, then for many times on dukkha, then for many times on anatta. After meditated for many times like that the meditator can meditate for a rather long time, mainly on one of the characteristics which is best for him, If the meditator is satisfied and if the arising and perishing appear very clearly and quickly to the insight, attaining khanapaccuppanna then he can switch to meditate by the udayabbaya-ñāṇa detailed method.

UDAYABBAYA-ÑĀNA DETAILED METHOD OF MEDITATION

1. SAMUDAYA-DHAMMĀNUPASSĪ = UDAYADASSANA = MEDITAION ON JUST ARISING ONLY

In Mahāsatipaṭṭhāna-sutta taught to meditate in 3 ways at every satipaṭṭhāna as:

- 1. samudayadhammānupassī
- 2. vayadhammānupassī
- 3. samudayavayadhammänupassi.

Venerable Sāriputta, the general of the dhamma taught the meaning of that teaching in Paṭisambhidāmagga as 'avijjā samudayā, rūpa samudayo' etc. The meditator must practise the udayabbaya detailed method in accordance with those instructions. As an example, the rūpa khandhā and 4 nāma khandhā such as vedanā khandhā (in paṭisandhi) are show here. The meditator who has already completed the discernment of causal relationships = paṭicca samuppāda 5th method, will be able to meditate on the 5 khandhā in each mind moment (= in each mind shown in the tables of nāma kammaṭṭhāna). As in the discernment of causal relationship paṭiccasamuppāda 5th method, here it is to meditate to realize the causal relation ships by insight.

RŪPAKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), patisandhi (kammaja) rūpa arises.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanha (20), patisandhi (kammaja) rūpa arises.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), patisandhi (kammaja) rūpa arises.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), paṭisandhi (kammaja) rūpa arises.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), paţisandhi (kammaja) rūpa arises.
 - * the arising of kammaja-rūpa
- 6. Because of the arising of citta, cittaja-rūpa arise.
 - * the arising of cittaja-rūpa
- 7. Because of the arising of utu, utuja-rūpa arise.
 - * the arising of utuja-rūpa
- 8. Because of the arising of āhāra, āhāraja-rūpa arise.
 - * the arising of āhāraja-rūpa

NOTE: There is only kammaja-rūpa at the time of paṭisandhi, especially at the time of the arising upāda of paṭisandhi. There are no cittaja-rūpa, utuja-rūpa, āhāraja-rūpa yet; they are shown only for the rūpakkhandhā existing in the subsequent mind moment.

PAŢISANDHI VEDANĀKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), paţisandhi vedanā arise.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā (20), paṭisandhi vedanā arise.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), patisandhi vedanā arise.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), patisandhi vedanā arise.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), patisandhi vedanā arise.
- 6. Because of the arising of vatthu (= hadayavatthu), patisandhi vedanā arise.
- 7. Because of the arising of object (= object of patisandhi mind), patisandhi vedanā arise.
- 8. Because of the arising of phassa (= 34-vedanā = 33), patisandhi vedanā arise.
 - * The arising of patisandhi vedanā.

PATISANDHI SAÑÑĀKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), patisandhi saññā arise.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā (20), patisandhi saññā arise.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), patisandhi saññā arise.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), paţisandhi saññā arise.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), patisandhi saññā arise.
- 6. Because of the arising of vatthu (= hadayavatthu), patisandhi saññā arise.
- 7. Because of the arising of object (= object of patsandhi mind), patisandhi saññā arise.

8. Because of the arising of phassa (= 34-saññā = 33), patisandhi saññā arise. * The arising of patisandhi saññā.

PAŢISANDHI SANKHĀRAKKHANDHĀ (Cetanā)

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), paţisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā (20), pațisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 6. Because of the arising of vatthu (= hadayavatthu), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 7. Because of the arising of object (= object of patisandhi mind), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 8. Because of the arising of phassa (= 34-cetan \bar{a} = 33), patisandhi sankhāra arise. * The arising of patisandhi sankhāra.

PAŢISANDHI SANKHĀRAKKHANDHĀ (= 34-vedanā-saññā-viññāṇa = 31)

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), paţisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā (20), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 6. Because of the arising of vatthu (= hadayavatthu), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 7. Because of the arising of object (= object of patsandhi mind), patisandhi sankhāra arise.
- 8. Because of the arising of the remaining 3 nāma khandā, patisandhi sankhāra arise.
 - * The arising of patisandhi sankhāra.

(The remaining 3 nāma khandhā means vedanākkhandhā-saññākkhandhā-viññāṇa kkhadhā. In nāma 34, leaving out these 3 khandhā, the 31 cetasika are the effects. Therefore the remaining 3 vedanā, saññā, viññāṇa are the cause.)

PATISANDHI VIÑÑĀŅAKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā (20), pațisandhi viññāṇa arise.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā (20), patisandhi viññāṇa arise.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna (20), paţisandhi viññāṇa arise.
- 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra (34), patisandhi viññāṇa arise.
- 5. Because of the arising of kamma (kammasatti force of 34), patisandhi viññāṇa arise.
- 6. Because of the arising nāma rūpa, patisandhi viññāna arise.
 - * The arising of patisandhi viññāṇa.

nāma = accompanied cetasika (33)

rūpa = hadayavatthu(= rūpa 30) + (object rūpa)

Base on this method, meditate on the 5 khadhā of every mind moment shown in the nāma kammatthāna tables such as bhavanga 5 khandā, cuti 5 khandā, pañcadvārāvajjana 5 khandā, cakkhuviññāṇa 5 khandā etc. For those who are already skillful in discerning the cause and effects by the paticcasamuppāda 5th method, the discernment here are usually not difficult.

NOTE: Here, avijjā-tanhā-upādāna is shown as (20) and sankhāra as (34) are taken as an example only. Discern and meditate according to that which had arise, is arising, will arise in the nāma-rūpa process of one self. The quantity of citta cetasika may vary; it may be kusala sankhāra or akusala sankhāra. Discern as much as one can, from the successive pasts till the last future.

2. VAYADHAMMĀNUPASSĪ = VAYADASSANA = MEDITATION ON JUST PERISHING ONLY

Avijjānirodhā rūpanirodhoti paccayanirodhaṭṭhena rūpakkhandhassa vayam passati. (patisam. 54)

Avijjānirodhā rūpanirodhoti aggamaggañānena avijjāya anuppādanirodhato anāgatassa rūpassa anuppādanirodho hoti paccayābhāve abhāvato.

(Vism, mahātīkā.II.421)

The meditator who realizes clearly that the arising of the effects such as rūpa is produced by the causes such as avijjā by vipassanā insight 'eye' can easily discern that "because of the cessation of the cause such as avijjā in which there is no more arising due to arahattamagga = anuppādanirodha cessation, then the effects such as rūpa ceased in which there is no more arising = anuppādanirodha cessation", if he discerns with vipassanā insight the period when attaining arahattamagga in future and the period after parinibbānacuti. In this case the meditator should know about uppādanirodha and anuppādanirodha.

Uppādanirodha - The cause sankhāra dhamma as well as the effect sankhāra dhamma are just sankhāra dhamma which perish away after arising. The successive perishing after arising (arising & perishing), being the states of anicca is called uppādanirodha. As long as the cause are supporting successively, the effect will exist in this way successively arising & perishing away = uppādanirodha. (Note that the cause is also effect sankhāra dhamma which arise because of its respective cause). After perishing away, as the cause is not yet ended or exhausted, it arises and perishes again is called uppādanirodha. It is the cessation which still has arising. It is also called khanikanirodha.

Anuppādanirodha - Each sotāpattimagga, sakadāgāmimagga, anāgāmimagga totally eradicate the kilesa concerned. Arahattamagga called aggamaggañāṇas = the noblest magga totally eradicate the remaining kilesa such as avijjā. When the ariyamaggañāṇa up till arahattamagga totally eradicate the kilesa concerned then these kilesa do not arise again in the nāma-rūpa khandhā process at all. They totally ceased without arising again, such cessation is called anuppādanirodha.

When causes such as avijjā totally ceased without arising again, i.e. anuppādanirodha then the group of effects such as rūpa which could further arise if causes are not exhausted yet also ceased without arising again, having no condition to further arise in the future after parinibbānacuti. It is also called anuppādanirodha. They ceased because when there are no cause then effects also cannot arise.

The meditator must meditate to discern the nature of that of that anuppādanirodha, having sent the vipassanā insight = by vipassanā insight towards the future till attaining arahatta-magga and towards the future till parinibhānacuti. Only when realized by vipassnā insight "eye" precisely that "because of the cessation of the causes as anuppādanirodha, the effects also ceased as anuppādanirodha", then further meditate on the followings.

MEDITATION ON RŪPAKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the cessation of avijjā, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
- 2. Because of the cessation of tanhā, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
- 3. Because of the cessation of upādāna, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
- 4. Because of the cessation of sankhāra, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
- 5. Because of the cessation of kamma, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
 - (This is anupādanirodha. It is the cessation of future rūpa which ceased without arising again)
 - * Cessation of kammaja-rūpa = perishing away. (uppādanirodha)
- 6. Because of the cessation of citta, cittaja-rūpa cease. (anuppādanirodha)
 - * Cessation of cittaja-rūpa = perishing away. (uppādanirodha)
- 7. Because of the cessation of utu, utuja-rūpa cease: (anuppādanirodha)
 - * Cessation of utuja-rūpa =perishing away. (uppādanirodha)
- 8. Because of the cessation of āhāra, āhāraja-rūpa cease: (anuppādanirodha)
 - * Cessation of āhāraja-rūpa =perishing away. (uppādanirodha)

In these discernment the meditator must meditate to realize clearly the two types of cessation, anuppādanirodha = cessation in which there is no arising again subsequently and uppādanirodha = cessation in which there is arising again subsequently. In patisambhidāmagga pāli on page 53 (Burmese script) uppādanirodha is called as vipariņāmalakkhana. It is the momentary perishing of

sankhāradhamma. In this discernment also, discern all kusala and akusala javana vīthi as shown in nāma kammaṭṭhāna tables of the 6 lines such as rūpārammaṇa line, forming 5 khandhā in every mind moment (as mentioned in the paṭiccasamuppāda 5th method). Meditate on internal and external alternately. In discerning like that, the discernment of cakkhuviññāṇa vedanakkhandhā is shown as follows based on that in the nāmakkhandhā stage.

MEDITAION ON CAKKHUVIÑÑĀŅA-VEDANĀKKHANDHĀ

- 1. Because of the cessation of avijjā, cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 2. Because of the cessation of tanha, cakkhuviññana vedana cease.
- 3. Because of the cessation of upādāna, cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 4. Because of the cessation of sankhāra, cakkhuviññāna vedanā cease.
- 5. Because of the cessation of kamma, cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 6. Because of the cessation of cakkhuvatthu rūpa, cakkhuviññāna vedanā cease.
- 7. Because of the cessation of rupārammaņa, cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 8. Because of the cessation of cakkhusamphassa (= 7), cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 9. Because of the cessation of āloka (= light), cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease.
- 10. Because of the cessation of manasikāra (= pañcadvārāvajjana = 11), cakkhuviññāṇa vedanā cease. (anuppādanirodha)
 - * Cessation of cakkhuviññāna vedanā. (uppādanirodha)

Meditate in the same way, from the successive pasts till the last future as far as one can.

3. SAMUDAYA-VAYA-DHAMMĀNUPASSĪ

UDAYA-VAYADASSANA = DISCERNING ARISING AND PERISHING

Samudayadhammānupassī vā kāyasmim viharati, vayadhammānupassī vā kāyasmim viharati, samudayavayadhammānupassī vā kāyasmim viharati.

(mahāsatipaṭṭhāna sutta, majjhima nikāya.I.71)

Avijjāsamudayā rūpasamudayo ...pe... avijjānirodhā rūpanirodho.

(patisam. 53-54)

Tesam vasena evampi rūpassa udayo evampi rūpassa vayo, evampi rūpam udeti, evampi rūpam vetīti paccayato ceva khanato ca vitthārena manasikāram karoti. (Vism. II.267, §724)

In accordance with the instructions of pāli and commentary as above, the meditator who is trying to practise the udayabbaya detailed method must meditate linking cause and effect again and again, having discerned by vipassanā insight that 'because of the arising of the cause, effect arise; because of the cessation of the cause, effect cease'.

In meditating like that, it is mentioned:

Sappaccayanāmarūpavasena tilakkhaņam āropetvā vipassanāpaṭipāṭiyā "aniccam dukkham anattā"ti sammasanto vicarati. (mūlapaṇṇāsa, commentary.I.281).

In accordance with this instruction of the commentary, the meditator must meditate on the three characteristics alternately of both the cause and effect. Therefore, here having linked the cause and effects, the vipassanā meditation on their anicca characteristic is shown as follows. Understand that the method is the same for the vipassanā meditation on their dukkha and anatta characteristics.

UDAYA-VAYA-DASSANA RŪPAKKHANDHĀ

- Because of the arising of avijjā, (kammaja) rūpa arise.
 Because of the cessation of avijjā, (kammaja) rūpa cease.
 avijjā = (arising-perishing) anicca; (kammaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.
- 2. Because of the arising of tanhā, (kammaja) rūpa arise.

 Because of the cessation of tanhā, (kammaja) rūpa cease.

 tanhā = (arising-perishing) anicca; (kammaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.
- 3. Because of the arising of upādāna, (kammaja) rūpa arise.

 Because of the cessation of upādāna, (kammaja) rūpa cease.

upādāna = (arising-perishing) anicca; (kammaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

. 4. Because of the arising of sankhāra, (kammaja) rūpa arise.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, (kammaja) rūpa cease.

sankhāra = (arising-perishing) anicca; (kammaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

5. Because of the arising of kamma, (kammaja) rūpa arise.

Because of the cessation of kamma, (kammaja) rūpa cease.

kamma = (arising-perishing) anicca; (kammaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

6. Because of the arising of citta, (cittaja) rūpa arise;

Because of the cessation of citta, (cittaja) rūpa cease.

citta = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cittaja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

7. Because of the arising of utu, (utuja) rūpa arise.

Because of the cessation of utu, (utuja) rūpa cease.

utu = (arising-perishing) anicca; (utuja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

8. Because of the arising of āhāra, (āhāraja) rūpa arise.

Because of the cessation of āhāra, (āhāraja) rūpa cease.

āhāra = (arising-perishing) anicca; (āhāraja) rūpa = (arising-perishing) anicca.

MEDITATION ON CAKKHUVIÑÑĀNA-VEDANĀKKHANDHĀ

1. Because of the arising of avijjā, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of avijjā, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā cease.

avijjā = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

2. Because of the arising of tanhā, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of tanha, (cakkhuviññana) vedana cease.

tanhā = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

3. Because of the arising of upādāna, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of upādāna, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā cease.

upādāna = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

4. Because of the arising of sankhāra, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā cease.

sankhāra = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

5. Because of the arising of kamma, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of kamma, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā cease.

kamma = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

6. Because of the arising of cakkhuvatthu, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of cakkhuvatthu, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā cease.

cakkhuvatthu = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

7. Because of the arising of rūparammaņa, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of rūparammaņa, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā cease.

rūparammaņa = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

8. Because of the arising of cakkhusamphassa, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of cakkhusamphassa, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā cease.

cakkhusamphassa = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

9. Because of the arising of āloka, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of āloka, (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā cease.

āloka = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

10. Because of the arising of manasikāra (pañcadvārāvajjana), (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā arise.

Because of the cessation of manasikāra, (cakkhuviññāna) vedanā cease.

manasikāra = (arising-perishing) anicca; (cakkhuviññāṇa) vedanā = (arising-perishing) anicca.

EXPLANATION

Meditators who are already skillful and proficient in the paticcasamuppada-5th method can

meditate based on the above shown to this extent. This udayabbaya detailed method must practised on every mind moment shown in the nāma kammaṭṭhāna tables, having formed the 5 khandhā.

In this meditation the meditator can meditate, having discerned by vipassanā insight the causal relationships between the 1st past life causes and present life effects. He can also meditate after having discerned by vipassanā insight the causal relationships between the 2nd past life causes and the 1st past life effects; and the causal relationships between the present life causes and futures life effects. These are the meditation where the meditator can meditate on the successive past lives and successive future lives, having discerned by vipassanā insight the causal relationships between the respective causes and effects as mentioned in the paticcasamuppāda 5th method.

If the meditator wants he can meditate by dividing into 2 groups: i.e. one group of avijjā- tanhāupādāna which is the same as kilesavaṭṭa and one group of sankhāra-kamma which is the same as kammayatta.

Say, if the causes are the causes that occurred in the 1st past life then the meditator firstly discern the bhavanga mind clearness (= manodvāra) of the 1st past life and then he must discern to realize by vipassanā insight the arising and perishing = anicca of the causes which occurred in between those bhavanga mind clear element. Understand that the method is similar for the successive past lives and successive future lives. As shown in the paticcasamuppāda stage, avijjā- tanhā-upādāna mostly occur as the following manodvāra vīthi.

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manodvārāvajiana (1)	javana (7)	sahetukatadārammaņa (2)/	ahetukatadārammana (2)
12	20	34/	12
124	2		

Pīti may or may not accompanied, and tadārammaņa may or may not arise. If tadārammaņa arise, ahetukatadārammaņa or sahetukatadārammaņa can arise accordingly. The avijjā- taṇhā-upādāna for puthujjana are mostly lobha-diṭṭhi group javana. Having discerned by vipassanā insight the arising and perishing anicca nature of the nāma dhammas in these vīthi until khaṇapaccuppanna = realizing the arising and perishing of every mind moment, meditate on their three characteristics alternately. Furthermore, the saṅkhāra-kamma group mostly occur as the following vīthi process.

manodvārāvajjana (1)	iavana (7)	sahetukatadārammaņa (2)/	ahetukatadārammaņa (2)
12	34	34/	12

In this manodvārā-vīthi, if it is somanassasahagata ñāṇasampayutta mahā kusala then both pīti and ñāṇa are accompanied; there are 34 nāma dhamma. If it is upekkhāsahagata ñāṇasampayutta then only ñāṇa is accompanied, without pīti, there are 33 nāma dhammas. Tadārammaṇa may or may not arise. Sahetukatadārammaṇa or ahetukatadārammaṇa may arise accordingly. Having discerned the arising and perishing of these sankhāra-kamma nāma dhamma in every mind moment until khaṇapaccuppanna, meditate vipassanā on their three characteristics alternately.

SANKHĀRA AND KAMMA-BHAVA

Kammasatti force is not the object of vipassanā meditation. In vipassanā meditation on the 3 characteristics it is mainly to meditate on that of the kusala sankhāra group. Therefore the meditator should known about the sankhāra and kammabhava which are the object of vipassanā. Dāna-kusala will be shown as an example:

1. The pubba-cetanā which arise before doing the kusala wholesome deed = before donating is sankhāra,

The muñca-cetanā which arise at the time of doing the kusala wholesome deed = while donating is kammabhava.

2. Among the 7 javana that arose while doing the kamma, the cetanā that accompanies with the 1st till 6th javana is sankhāra. The 7th javana's cetanā is kammabhava.

3. In the javana mind moments that occur while doing the kamma, the cetanā is kamma bhava, the accompanied sampayuttadhamma group is sankhāra.

In accordance with the above definition, if one can meditate vipassanā on all nāma dhamma in every mind moment of the above manodvārika kusalajavana vīthi mind process which had arisen or

will arise, until attaining khanapaccuppanna, then it can be said that both sankhāra and kammabhava are already being meditated upon.

MEDITATE VIPASSANĀ ON ALL

Meditate vipassanā as above after forming 5 khandha in every mind moment that exist in vīthi such as cakkhudvāra vīthi which are paṭisandhi 5 khandha, bhavaṅga 5 khandha, cuti 5 khandha, manodvārāvajjana 5 khandha, cakkhuviññāṇa 5 khandha. Meditate on both internal and external. In meditating like that:

- 1. The meditator can meditate on it after having linked the causal relationships between past and present.
- 2. The meditator can meditate on it after having linked the causal relationships between past lives.
- 3. The meditator can meditate on it after having linked the causal relationships between present and future.
- 4. The meditator can meditate on it after having linked the causal relationships between future lives.

PAŢICCASAMUPPĀDA FIRST METHOD

Nāyam, bhikkhave, kāyo tumhākam napi añnesam, purānamidam, bhikkhave, kammam abhisankhatam abhisancetayitam vedaniyam daṭṭhabbam.

tatra kho, bhikkhave, sutavā ariyasāvako paţiccasamuppādaññeva sādhukam yoniso manasi karoti iti imasmim sati idam hoti, imassuppādā idam uppajjati; imasmim asati idam na hoti, imassa nirodhā idam nirujjhati, yadidam avijjāpaccayā sankhārā; sankhārapaccayā viññāṇam...pe... evametassa kevalassa dukkhakhandhassa samudayo hoti. avijjāya tveva asesavirāganirodhā sankhāranirodho; sankhāranirodhā viññāṇanirodho...pe... evametassa kevalassa dukkhakhandhassa nirodho hotī.

(samyuttanikāya.I.294-295, natumhasutta.)

Monks, these rūpakāya, nāmakāya = all rūpa, all nāma are not yours (it means it is not your atta = because there is no atta) and not the belonging of others (= it is not the atta of others). These rūpakāya and nāmakāya are the states caused by past old kamma. It is formed by kusalakamma and akusalakamma, kusalacetanā and akusalacetanā are the fundamental cause. It is the basis (vatthu) of vedanā, feeling.

Monks, in this case the ariyasāvaka who is knowledgeable in āgamasuta = learning knowledge and adhigamasuta = practical knowledge or my disciple who is ariya meditates well on the causal relationship, paţiccasamuppāda:

"If this cause exist, this effect arise. Because of the arising of this cause, this effect arise. If this cause does not exist, this effect does not arise. Because of the cessation of this cause, this effect cease". That causal relationships paticcasamuppāda is like this:

"Because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise; Because of the arising of sankhāra, (vipāka) viññāna arise" etc. "In this way the heap of only suffering, lack of happiness occur"

"Because of the total cessation of avijjā (due to arahattamagga), sankhāra cease; Because of the cessation of sankhāra, (vipāka) viñnāna cease" etc. "In this way, it is the cessation of the heap of only suffering, lack of happiness."

In accordance with such teachings the meditator can and should meditate also by the paticcasamuppāda 1st method on just samudaya only then on just vaya only and then on both samudaya and vaya.

SAMUDAYA-DHAMMĀNUPASSĪ

After having discerned the causal relationships as mentioned in the paticcasamuppāda 1st method, meditate on just the arising only, such as follows:

- 1. Because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise;
- 2. Because of the arising of sankhāra, paṭisandhiviñnāṇa arise; Because of the arising of sankhāra, bhavangaviñnāṇa arise; Because of the arising of sankhāra, cutiviñnāṇa arise;

Because of the arising of sankhāra, cukkhuviññāṇa arise, etc.

Meditate on both internal and external. Liking the causal relationships between 3 lives meditate from the successive past lives till the present life from the present life till the last future life. It is not difficult anymore for the meditator who is already skillful in discerning the causal relationships of paticcasamuppāda 1st method.

VAYA-DHAMMĀNUPASSĪ

The meditator whose insight is clear on causal relationships such as 'because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise etc.' until the last future life must meditate on the following discernment, after having discerned by vipassanā insight the anuppādanirodha state at the time when arahattamagga will be attained in the future such that, due to that arahattamagga, according to the ekatta way, "because of the cessation without arising again of all kilesa such as avijjā, all effects such as sankhāra ceased without arising again".

- 1. Because of the cessation of avijjā, sankhāra cease.
- 2. Because of the cessation of sankhāra, patisandhiviññāṇa cease.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, bhavangaviññāṇa cease.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, cutiviññāna cease.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, cakkhuviññāṇa cease.

Meditate like that on just cessation only. Meditate on the three periods, internally and externally.

SAMUDAYA-VAYA-DHAMMĀNUPASSĪ

After having discerned by vipassanā insight both the arising and cessation = such as 'Because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise, Because of the cessation avijjā, sankhāra cease' etc., meditate on the followings:

1. Because of the arising of avijjā, sankhāra arise.

Because of the cessation of avijjā, sankhāra cease.

avijjā (arising-perishing) - anicca; sankhāra (arising-perishing) - anicca.

2. Because of the arising of sankhāra, paţisandhiviññāṇa arise.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, patisandhiviññāna cease.

sankhāra (arising-perishing) - anicca; paṭisandhiviññāṇa (arising-perishing) - anicca.

3. Because of the arising of sankhāra, bhavangaviññāna arise.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra, bhavangaviññāna cease.

sankhāra (arising-perishing) - anicca; bhavangaviññāṇa (arising-perishing) - anicca.

4. Because of the arising of sankhāra, cakkhuviññāṇa arise.

Because of the cessation of sankhāra cakkhuviññāṇa cease.

sankhāra (arising-perishing) - anicca; cakkhuviññāṇa (arising-perishing) - anicca.

To this extent, the meditator who is already proficient in discerning the causal relationships by the paticcasamuppāda first method will be able to meditate based on the above examples. Meditate until bhava, namely kammabhava and upapattibhava. As shown in the paticcasamuppāda first method, in any of the (paticcasamuppāda) factors where all 6 lines is to be meditated upon then meditate on all 6 lines there. Meditate on the three periods of past, future, present internally and externally. Meditate, having linked three lives each time. Meditate on their 3 characteristics from the successive past lives till the last future life throughout for at least one times.

- the benefits attainable (myantmacbook new-edition page 123 to 145)
- the four noble truths becomes clear
- lokiyamaggasacca = five lokiyamagga
- the paticcasamuppāda becomes clear
- the four ways become clear
- five lakkhana becomes clear

THE PROGRESSION OF UDAYABBAYA VIPASSANĀ MEDITATION

Santativasena hi rūpārūpadhamme udayato, vayato ca manasi karontassa anukkamena bhāvanāya balappattakāle ñāṇassa tikkhavisadabhāvappattiyā khaṇato udayabbayā

upaṭṭhahantīti. ayañhi paṭhamam paccayato udayabbayam manasi karonto avijjādike paccayadhamme vissajjetvā udayabbayavante khandhe gahetvā tesam paccayato udayabbayadassanamukhena khanatopi udayabbayam manasi karoti.

tassa yadā ñāṇam tikkham visadam hutvā pavattati, tadā rūpārūpadhammā khaņe khaņe uppajjantā, bhijjantā ca hutvā upatthahanti. (mahātīkā.II.422)

The rūpa and nāma that exist in one life from paṭisandhi to cuti is called addhīna- paccuppanna-dhamma. The nāma that exist in a vīthi mind process is called santati- paccuppanna-dhamma. A single rūpa process occurring in four or five or six stages caused by tejodhātu-utu existing in a rūpakalāpa is called 'one rūpa process produced by one utu'; and when the oja existing in rūpakalāpa gets the support of āhāraja-ojā, it causes a single rūpa process occurring in four or five or six stages then this process is called 'rūpa process produced by one āhāra'. The single catusamuṭṭhānika rūpa process of one utu and one āhāra is santati paccuppanna-dhamma. Nāma occurring in one mind moment which has three moments arising-duration-perishing (uppāda-ṭhiti-bhanga) and rūpa occurring during the three minor moment of arising-duration-perishing (u-t-b) are the nāma rūpa called khana- paccuppanna.

Firstly, the meditator must meditate on the arising and the perishing of nāma and of rūpa as santati-paccuppanna by vipassanā insight. Then if meditate like that progressively and when the vipassanā bhāvanā insight becomes powerful being sharper and clearer then the successive uninterrupted arising and perishing of sankhāradhamma becomes clear to the insight of the meditator until attaining khana-paccuppanna.

It is true that the meditator firstly meditate on paccayato udayabbaya-dassana = the arising and perishing by means of cause such as because of the arising of avijjā, rūpa arise; because of the cessation of avijjā, rūpa cease. Then after having put aside the cause such as avijjā (= putting aside the discernment of 'because of the arising of cause such as avijjā, effect such as rūpa arise'), he discern by vipassanā insight, the cause khandhā and effect khandhā which have the nature of arising and perishing; that is, firstly by paccayato udayabbayadassana = discerning by vipassanā insight that 'because of the arising of cause, the effect arise', because of the cessation of cause, the effect cease', the meditator then meditate on the momentary arising and perishing = udayabbaya of these khandha.

(It means the meditation such as:

Because of the arising of avijjā, rūpa arise.

Because of the cessation of avijjā, rūpa cease.

avijjā - arising-perishing - anicca

rūpa - arising-perishing - anicca etc.)

If meditate like that for many times, the insight of the meditator becomes sharp and clear. Then the nāma rūpa being arising and perishing in every moment becomes clear to the insight of the meditator. If it becomes clear like that the 'tender' taruṇa-vipassanā insight called udayabbayānupassanā is attained. Such meditator is called āraddha-vipassaka person (mahāṭīkā, subcommentary)

UPAKKILESA

While meditating vipassanā thoroughly until attaining taruņa-vipassanā by means of these two vipassanā method:

- 1. paccayato udayabbaya-dassana = meditating on arising and perishing by means of cause,
- 2. khanato udayabbaya-dassana = meditating on arising and perishing by means of moment,

and also after having meditated like that while meditating vipassanā again on the five upādānakkhandha of the past, future, present, internal, external etc. it is natural that ten kinds of defilement of vipassanā = vipassanupakkilesa occur.

Vipassanupakkilesā hi paţivedhappattassa ariyasāvakassa ceva vippaţipannakassa ca nikkhittakammaţţhānassa kusītapuggalassa nuppajjanti. sammāpaţipannakassa pana yuttapayuttassa āraddhavipassakassa kulaputtassa uppajjantiyeva. (Vism.II.269, §732)

Take note that these ten types of defilements of vipassanā upakkilesa do not occur in the

following four types of person.

- 1. in ariya sāvaka who have already attained ariya-magga and phala and in meditators who have attained the powerful balava vipassanā such as nibbidānupassanā etc.. (mahāṭīkā, subcommentary)
- 2. in persons who are practising wrongly such as loss of morality (sīla), broken concentration (samādhi), wrong practice of wisdom (paññā)
- 3. in those who, although are practising vipassanā, they are dejected and shrink from the vipassanā meditation putting aside their vipassanā meditation.
- 4, in those who do not practise vipassanā meditation although their morality sīla are fulfilled as they are lazy.

Also, take note that they will surely arise in good meditators, the sammāpaṭipannaka persons who have the right practice, whose sīla, samādhi, paññā practices are not wrong and are called āraddhavipassaka who practise the paññābhāvanā contiunously with great effort.

- 1. obhāsa = the light (the basis of upakkilesa states) (Myanimar Book New edition page 150
- why is it explained again
- turning to the right path
- ñāṇaṃ = vipassanāñāṇa
- 3. pīti = vipassanāpīti
- 4. passaddhi = vipassanāpassaddhi
- 5. sukha = vipassanāsukha
- 6. adhimokkha = saddhā
- 7. paggaha = vīriya
- 8. upatthāna = sati
- 9. upekkhā = vipassanupekkhā + āvajjanupekkhā

Among these upakkilesa, those from the second which is naṇa till the 9th which is upekkha are not upakkilesa states. They are the basis of upakkilesa states. These eight states which are naṇa, piti, passaddhi, sukha, adhimokkha, paggaha, upaṭṭhīna, upekkhā are the cetasika sankhāradhamma that arise accompanying with the vipassanā insight while meditating vipassanā. They are part of the 34 citta and cetasika nāmadhamma which arise accompanying with vipassanā insight in one mind moment. For puthujjana and sekkha persons, as these states are only vipassanā kusalajavana cittuppāda, they are not upakkilesa. However, having taken these states as object, if one holds on to the view that "these states are mine, these states are me, these states are my atta (soul)" - "etaṃ mama, esohamasmi, eso me attā" (my nāṇa, my pīti...), then taṇhā, māna, diṭṭhi arise. These taṇhā, māna, diṭṭhi are the upakkilesadhamma.

If one holds on to the view that any of these ñāṇa, pīti etc. are magga-ñāṇa, phala-ñāṇa then one has strayed from the path of vipassanā because he is sitting in delight of one of these states which are not real magga phala and thinking that they are real magga-phala, giving up his mūla-kammatthāna which is vipassanā meditation.

THE METHOD TO OVERCOME THEM

These ñāṇa, p ti etc. which accompany with vipassanājavana that takes the anicca, dukkha, anatta of sankhāradhamma as object; and also some states such as āvajjanupekkhā which accompany with the manodvārāvajjana that exist just before vipassanā javana citta arise as in the following manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process:

manodvāravajjana(1)	javana(7)	sahetuka tadārammaṇa/ahetuka tadārammaṇa (2)
12	34	34 / 12

Tadārammaņa may or may not arise. After having broken down by insight each compactness (nāma-ghana) of these vipassanā manodvārikajavana vīthi mind processes and then after having discerned by vipassanā insight, the arising and perishing in every mind moment, meditate vipassanā

on their three characteristics alternately.

10. NIKANTI = VIPASSANĀ-NIKANTI

Nikanti is vipassanānikanti = the subtle attachment to vipassanā.

As nikanti is the state accompanied with lobha-mūla somanassavedanā, it may be of lobha-diṭṭhi group or lobha-māna group. As māna is the cetasika which is sometimes (= kadāci) accompanying, it is possible that māna is not included. As somanassa-vedanā is accompanying, pīti is included.

manodvāravajjana(1x)	javana (7x)	sahetuka tadārammana/ahetuka tadārammana(2x)
12	20/19	34-33 / 12

Tadārammaņa may or may not arise. If it arises then it can mahāvipāka somanassa tadārammaņa or ahetuka somanassa santīraņatadārammaņa accordingly. Breaking down each compactness (nāmaghana) of the manodvārikajavana vīthi mind process where the subtle nikanti is included, meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of the discerned nikanti together with the nāmadhammas. This nikanti not only is an upakkilesa but also is the basis of upakkilesa whereby after having taken this nikanti as object when one grasped it as 'mine, I, my atta/soul' then more upakkilesa such as taṇhā, māna, diṭṭhi can arise. Therefore nikanti is both an upakkilesa and a basis of upakkilesa (From Vism.II.269 §732 and Vism, mahāṭīkā.II.427, 434)

PAŢĪPADĀÑĀŅADASSANAVISUDDHI STAGE = HIGHER VĪPASSNĀ INSIGHT

Having discerned by clear insight the arising and perishing away of ultimate reality until khana-paccuppanna of the states from obhāsa till nikanti; and of the rūpa and nāma in rūpa sattaka and arūpasattaka methods; and of the rūpa and nāma discerned according to āyatana dvāra shown previously, meditate on their three characteristics alternately thoroughly by one of the following methods which one prefers:

- 1. rūpa and nāma method
- 2. five khandha method
- 3. twelve ayatana method
- 4. eighteen dhātu method.

Meditate on the 3 periods of past, future, present in internal and external. It is necessary to meditate again and again for many times. Try to realize clearly the khana-paccuppanna of sankhāradhamma. Try to have the insight on the three characteristics clearer and clearer, repeatedly for many times.

FOUR ANUPASSANĀ = PART OF FOUR SATIPAŢŢHĀNA

- 1. After having meditate vipassanā mainly on rūpa only and then further meditate vipassanā on nāma also is practising kāyānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna.
- 2. Another point is that in meditating vipassanā on nāma,

the meditator who is going to practise the three satipatthana such as vedanānupassanā must discern together the object rūpa and basis vatthu rūpa of the nāmadhamma where vedanā is predominant in accordance with the discipline mentioned in the earlier nāma kammatthāna stage that (saṃkhittena vā vitthārena vā pariggahite rūpakammatthāne) the meditator must have already discerned the rūpa kammatthāna by the brief or detailed methods. It is only after having discerned like that if he meditates vipassanā on the nāmadhamma where vedanā is predominant then he is practising vedanānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna.

The discernment is to meditate on this three:

- (i) vatthu
- (ii) object
- (iii) vedanā (= all the nāma where vedanā is predominant) of every vīthi citta mind moment discerned according to āyatanadvāra and of every bhavanga citta mind moment as -
- (i) vatthu arising and perishing away anicca
- (ii) object arising and perishing away anicca
- (iii) vedanā arising and perishing away anicca

In this discernment, meditate as anicca after having discerned the arising and perishing of;

- (i) just basis, vatthu rūpa only, then
- (ii) just object, rūpa only, then
- (iii) just vedanā (i.e. nāmadhamma where vedanā is predominant only)

in every mind moment, throughout from pañcadvārāvajjana till manodvāra vīthi tadārammana as shown in the nāma kammatthāna table. Meditate similarly for dukkha and anatta characteristics. Meditate on the three periods, in internal and external, Meditate as much as the insight can.

- 3. Also among the three methods of discerning nāma, if one meditates vipassanā after having discerned nāmadhamma where consciousness = viññāṇa is predominant then one is practising cittānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna. In the discernment:
- (i) basis vatthu
- (ii) object
- (iii) consciousness, viññāṇa (= it is to meditate vipassanā, having discerned all nāma dhamma in which consciousness is predominant)
- 4. Also, if meditate vipassanā after having discerned the nāmadhammas where phassa (cetanā) is predominant then one is practising dhammānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna. In the discernment:
- (i) basis vatthu
- (ii) object
- (iii) phassa (all nāmadhamma in which phassa is predominant)

In another way, in the vipassanā meditation by means of the rūpa and nāma method, after meditated vipassanā on rūpa, when meditate vipassanā on nāmadhamma, if meditate vipassanā having discerned the nāmadhamma beginning with vedanā then it is included as vedanānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna; if meditate vipassanā having discerned the nāmadhamma beginning with consciousness then it is included as cittānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna; if meditate vipassanā having discerned the nāmadhamma beginning with phassa then it is included as dhammānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna.

Furthermore if meditate vipassanā by means of the following method:

- 1. having grouped the nămarūpa into five groups, by five khandha method.
- 2. by 12 ayatana method, having grouped the nama rupa into 12 groups.
- 3. by 18 dhātu method, having grouped the nāma rūpa into 18 groups.
- 4. by paticcasamuppāda method, having grouped the nāma rūpa into 12 factors.
- 5. by 5 nivarana method
- 6. by 7 bojjhanga method
- 7. by saccādesanā method, having grouped two groups as dukkha saccā and samudaya saccā, then it is practising dhammānupassanā satipaṭṭhāna.

MEDITATION ON BODILY POSTURES AND COMPREHAENDING BODILY ACTIVITIES (IRIYĀPATHA AND SAMPAJAÑÑA)

The discernment of the five khandha = nāma-rūpa that occur while in bodily postures (iriyāpatha) such as walking, standing, sitting, lying down and while in bodily activities such as going forward, returning, bending, streetching etc.. is already shown in the ealier nāma kammaṭṭhāna stage. Having discerned these five khandha/nāma rūpa again meditate vipassanā on them by the following method.

- 1. by nāma and rūpa method, having grouped into 2 groups or
- 2. by 5 khandha method, having grouped into 5 groups or
- 3. by 12 ayatana method, having grouped into 12 groups or
- 4. by 18 dhātu method, having grouped into 18 groups or
- 5. by paticcasamuppāda method, having grouped into 12 factors.

 If the meditator wants to meditate vipassanā by nāma rūpa method, he meditates vipassanā on the three characteristics of;
- 1. just rūpa only, then
- 2. just nāma only, then
- 3. rūpa and nāma paired together.

Meditate on the three periods, in internal and external. If able to discern the arising and perishing away of five khandha = nāma rūpa that occur while in bodily postures and bodily activities such as walking till attaining khana-paccuppanna of the 3 periods of past, future, present in internal and external and if able to meditate vipassanā on their three characteristics, then further meditate vipassanā by paticcasamuppāda method.

After having meditated thoroughly on the following

- 1. on "Because of the arising of cause, effect arise" then
- 2. on "Because of the cessation of cause, effect cease" then
- 3. on "Because of the arising of cause, effect arise; Because of the cessation of cause, effect cease"; after having discerned the arising and perishing of both of these cause and effect meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of each of them. Meditate on the 3 periods, in internal and external.

Then sometime meditate on the asubha nature of these nāma rūpa sankhāradhamma. After meditated on the three characteristics thoroughly, the meditator can meditate mainly on one of the characteristics which he prefers. Among the various methods such as nāma-rūpa method, 5 khandha method etc. meditate mainly by the method which one prefers for many times, again and again.

UDAYABBAYAÑĀŅA STAGE IS FINISHED

BHANGAÑĀŅA STAGE

TOWARDS BHANGAÑĀNA

As the meditator meditate vipassanā on the sankhāradhamma in the four bodily postures thoroughly like that and as the preceding bhāvanā insight and subsequent bhāvanā insight is continuous, the vipassanā insight becomes very strong, powerful, sharp and clear. If the vipassanā insight becomes sharp and clear like that and if without giving attention on the arising of sankhāra dhamma anymore but gives attention on their perishing away only, then -

Nāne tikkhe vahante sankhāresu lahum upaṭṭhahantesu uppādam vā ṭhitim vā pavattam vā nimittam vā na sampāpunāti khaya-vaya-bheda-nirodheyeva sati santiṭṭhati. (Vism xxi, §741)

Na sampāpuņāti aggahaņato. (Mahāṭīka)

- his vipassanā insight does not reach (ie. is not extended) to the following any more;
- (i) uppāda = arising phase of sankhāradhamma
- (ii) thiti = static (duration) phase of sankhāradhamma
- (iii) nimitta = sankhāra nimitta such as rūpa kalāpa
- (iv) pavatta = upādinnakapavatta = the occurance of 'because of the arising of the cause, effect arise', because he does not give attention to them.

The mindfulness (sati) accompanied with the subsequent vipassanā insight, being supported by the powerful upanissaya-pcccaya-satti force of the preceeding vipassanā insight is well established on the exhaustion, perishing away, breaking up, cessation of sankhāradhamma (It means the insight nāṇa lead by sati). At that time:

- (i) Aniccam khayatthena = having discerned by insight and having taken as object the exhaustion, perishing away, breaking up, cessation of sankhāradhamma, meditate as 'anicca, anicca ...'
- (ii) dukkham bhayatthena = having discerned by insight and having taken as object the fearfulness in the constant perishing away of sankhāradhamma, meditate as 'dukkha, dukkha...'
- (iii) anattā asārakatthena = having discerned by insight and having taken as object the non-existence of a permanent essence, atta in the sankhāradhamma, meditate as 'anatta, anatta...'
 - (iv) sometimes, meditate on the nature of asubha also.

CAUTION

Having taken as object only the perishing away of sankhāradhamma, in meditating vipassanā on the three characteristics like that, the occurrence of the perishing away may be quick but the meditation on anicca characteristic (also dukkha and anatta characteristics) must be moderately slow. Although the meditator is seeing the perishing away of many vīthi, or many mind moments (cittakkhaṇa) or many moments of rūpadhamma, it is not to catch every perishing away of every mind moment and every rūpa moment to meditate as 'anicca...'. Having taken as object the perishing away of many mind moments and of many rūpa moment, meditate on the characteristics such as anicca, anicca ...' moderately slow. Note that the method is the same on dukkha and anatta. Meditate on the three periods, in internal and external again and again, for many times by methods such as nāma rūpa method, 5 khandha method etc.

RŪPA-KALĀPA DISAPPEARED

nimittanti sankhāranimittam. yam sankhārānam samūhādighanavasena, sakiccaparicchedatāya ca saviggahānam viya upaṭṭhānam, tam sankhāranimittam. (Mahāṭīka)

Breaking down the compactness of rūpa (rūpa-ghana) and compactness of nāma (nāma-ghana) beginning from nāma-rūpa-pariccheda-ñāṇa of diṭṭhi visuddhi stage, the meditator has now reached the bhanga ñāṇa state. At the stages before attaining bhanga ñāṇa, each:

- (i) uppāda the arising phase (uppāda) of sankhāra dhamma ie. of cause nāma rūpa sankhāra and of effect nāma rūpa sankhāra is still being seen.
 - (ii) thiti the static/duration moment (thiti) of sankhāra = jarā(aging) is still being seen.
 - (iii) pavatta the arising of a state of existence (bhava) which is the arising of effects because of

the arising of causes, being upādinnaka pavatta (bhavapavatti) is still being seen.

(iv) nimitta - although meditating so that the insight attain ultimate reality paramattha having broken down rūpa compactness and nāma compactness by insight, sometimes there are still some rūpa-kalāpa, nāma-kalāpa which have not been discerned and cannot be discerned. It is because of the great amount of rūpa-kalāpa and nāma-kalāpa and because of their very quick arising. As the rūpa compactness and nāma compactness such as aggregation compactness (samūhaghana) function compactness (kicca ghana) etc. of the undiscerned and the unable to be discerned rūpa-kalāpa, nāma-kalāpa are not broken down, they are still being seen as rūpa-kalāpa, nāma-kalāpa = as the smallest mass. It is seeing the nimitta. They are the sign nimitta where sankhāra occur.

However at the time the meditator reaches this bhanga ñāṇa stage, when the sankhāradhamma appear to his insight very quickly as the vipassanā insight is very sharp and clear then:

- (i) uppāda- the insight cannot catch the arising phase (uppāda) of sankhāradhamma.
- (ii) thiti the insight cannot catch the static (duration) phase = jarā (aging) of sankhāradhamma.
- (iii) pavatta the insight is not able to catch the bhava-pavatti = the arising of a state of existence = the arising of the effect vipāka 5 khandha such as viññāna, nāma rūpa, sa āyatana, phassa, vedanā etc. because of the arising of the causes such as avijjā-taṇhā-upādāna-saṅkhāra-kamma. The reason is: The insight can no longer be on the arising phase and static duration phase of cause saṅkhāradhamma and effect saṅkhāradhamma but is well established only on the perishing away phase called khaṇika-nirodha, the incessant sucessive perishing away of these cause and effect saṅkhāradhamma. As the vipassanā insight can no longer be on the arising uppāda of causes and the arising uppāda of effects, the vipassanā insight can no longer also be on the upādinnaka-pavatti = paccayato udayadassana = "because of the arising of cause, effect arise".
- (iv) nimitta As the meditator's vipassanā become very sharp, in this bhanga ñāṇa stage, rūpa compactenss which are samūha ghana, kicca ghana not broken down yet are no longer seen. The reason is As the small particles rūpa kalāpa which are the smallest mass that seems to have a form called saviggaha and the nāma kalāpa are the sign by which they can be known as sankhāra, they are called sankhāra nimitta. The vipassanā insight no longer discern these sankhāra nimitta; because the bhangānupassanā insight is seeing just rūpa only and just nāma only, attaining khanika nirodha, the exhaustion perishing away cessation. Although the compactness mass rūpakalāpa nāmakalāpa are not seen by the vipassanā insight in this bhanga ñāṇa stage the meditator is seeing the rūpa ultimate reality paramattha and nāma ultimate reality paramattha very clearly and very apparently, unlike previous stage's insight. It attains to just the ultimate reality totally.

At that time the meditator who attains this stage, seeing the very quick perishing away, meditates vipassanā thoroughly on the three characteristics alternately of:

- (i) just rūpa only, then
- (ii) just nāma only, then
- (iii) rūpa and nāma paired together,

in 3 period, internally and externally. Similarly meditate vipassanā thoroughly on the three characteristics alternately by the 5 khandha method, separating the 5 upādānakkhandha into individual khandha that exist in 11 ways such as past, futrure, present, internal, external etc.

[NOTE: Take note that it does not mean that sankhāradhamma are arising very quickly only at this bhanga ñāṇa stage. Sankhāradhamma has the nature that, within a blink of eyes or a strike of the lightning or snap to the fingers, they can arise and perish away for many 10 millions of times. It means that before the vipassanā insight is sharp, the true primary nature of these sankhāradhamma is not seen yet; but only now when one reaches the bhanga ñāṇa stage as the vipassanā insight becomes sharp, the very quick perishing away of sankhāradhamma is seen by vipassanā insight. Another point is that as the meditator does not give attention to the uppāda (arising phase) - thiti (static duration phase) - pavatta - nimitta of these sankhāradhamma, the insight is not able to catch them. Take note that this implies that one can still catch these if he gives attention to them]

VIPASSANĀ MEDITATION ALSO ON THE INSIGHT WHICH IS MEDITATING VIPASSANĀ = PAŢI-VIPASSANĀ

Ñātañca ñāṇañca ubhopi vipassati. (Vism.II.278)

When the meditator is seeing just the perishing away of sankhāradhamma by vipassanā insight like that he must meditate vipassanā on the sankhāradhamma called ñāta which are the rūpadhamma, nāmadhamma, causes, effects that exist in the 3 periods, internally and externally and the vipassanā insight called ñāṇa which is meditating vipassanā on these two states called ñāta and ñāṇa. The insight called ñāṇa which is meditating vipassanā, is also a manodvārika javana vīthi mind process. Tadārammaṇa may or may not arise. However as this stage is close to the powerful balava vipassanā insight like nibbidāñāṇa, tadārammaṇa mostly does not arise.

manodvārāvajjana	javana (7)	sahetukatadārammaņa	(2)/al	hetukatadārammaņa (2)
12	34/33	34/33	1	11/12

The meditator meditates vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately of the meditating vipassanā insight also, which is the above manodvārika javana vīthi mind process.

SOME EXAMPLES OF THE DISCERNMENT

- 1. Meditate on rūpa, rūpa perish away anicca.
 - The meditating insight also perish away anicca.
- 2. Meditate on nāma, nāma perish away anicca.
 - The meditating insight also perish away anicca.
 - (Meditate in the same way for dukkha and anatta.)
 - In this manner, meditate vipassanā on the three characteristics alternalely;
- 1. sometimes in internal
- 2. sometimes in external, and in these (two);
- 3. sometimes rūpa
- 4. sometimes nāma
- 5. sometimes cause
- 6. sometimes effect.

Meditate vipassanā in the same way on the pasts and futures. Similarly, meditate vipassanā by 5 khandha method also on the upādānakkhandhā, having formed the 5 khandha into 5 groups that exist in 11 ways. In this stage the discernment of the 5 khandha mentioned in anattalakkhana sutta is very precious for the meditator; it is the discernment which makes the vipassanā insight mature.

In the bhanga ñāṇa stage of meditating vipassanā on causes and effects, although the upādinnaka-pavatta states which are 'because of the arising of cause, effect arise' are not seen after having not paid attention to them, as the vipassanā insight has already meditated and realized this upādinnaka-pavatta states well and rightly in paccaya-pariggahañāṇa, sammasanañāṇa and udyabbayañāṇa stages, if the causes such as avijjā and the effects such as saṅkhāra is taken as object by the vipassanā insight in this bhangañāṇa stage then they will be easily realized and seen. The perishing away of these causes and effects will be seen by the vipassanā insight.

THE POWER OF SEEING PERISHING AWAY

It is not that the meditator who has just reached and is beginning to practise this bhangānupassanānāna stage is always seeing just the perishing away of sankhāradhamma as soon as he sits to meditate when his insight is not matured yet. At the beginning, before attaining bhangañāṇa, both arising and perishing away will still be seen to some extent. When the insight becomes sharp meditating vipassanā, the arising phase of sankhāradhamma is not longer seen but just the perishing phase only is being seen then. When the bhangañāṇa insight reaches its peak then just the perishing away only of sankhāradhamma is always seen (mahāṭīkā-II-441)

Tato pana pubbabhāge anekākāravokārā anupassanā icchitabbāva. (Mahātīkā.II.441)

For the maturity of bhangañana, in the previous stage before attaining the peak of bhanga- ñana, it is necessary to meditate vipassanā by various methods.

CAN MEDITATE MAINLY ON ANY PREFERRED STATES

In this bhangañāna stage of meditating vipassanā on the perishing away of sankhāradhamma, if meditating vipassanā on rūpa is better then one can meditate mainly on rūpa. If meditating vipassanā on nāma is better then one can meditate mainly on nāma. It is to meditate like that only after having meditated vipassanā in the discernment (above) completely for many times, say for nāma, if the perishing away (insight) is very powerful and the discernments (above) are completed, the meditator can meditate vipassanā mainly on kusalajavana vīthi wholesome group nāmadhamma only if he wants to. In this case, meditate mainly on the manodvārika kusalajavanavīthi nāmadhamma; and if the meditator is a Samatha-yānika person then meditate mainly on the jhānasamāpattivīthi, As for the three characteristics, if the meditator has meditated on all three characteristics thoroughly then he can meditate mainly on one of the characteristics which is preferred, which is better in being meditated upon. The meditator can meditate on the discernments vatthu + object + vedanā, vatthu + object + viññāna, vatthu + object + phassa with the perishing away of the meditating insight together.

The discernment is:

- (i) Meditate on vatthu, vatthu perish away anicca. The meditating insight also perish away - anicca.
- (ii) Meditate on object, object perish away anicca. The meditating insight also perish away - anicca.
- (iii) Meditate on vedanā, vedanā perish away anicca.

The meditating insight also perish away - anicca.

Further meditate on the discernments vatthu + object + viññāna, vatthu + object + phassa similarly. Meditate on all six dvāra both internally and externally, in the three periods.

In the discernment of iriyāpatha and sampajañña, meditate vipassanā by taking the perishing away of the sankhāradhamma that exist at the time of being in the bodily posture and bodily activities, as object.

Meditate vipassanā on the characteristics by taking the perishing away of the paticcasamuppāda factors as object. In the case meditate vipassanā having taken as object the perishing away only, without taking the causal relationships such as "avijjā produce sankhāra" as object any more. Meditate on the 3 periods, internally and externally. Sometimes meditate vipassanā on the meditating insight also; It is pativipassanā.

Beginning from this stage until the attainment of ariyamagga the meditator must meditate vipassanā just on the perishing away only of nāma rūpa, causes, effects, sankhāradhamma in the 3 periods both internally and externally; and sometimes on the perishing away of the meditating vipassanā insight.

In meditating like that, in the list of namadhamma, jhana namadhamma is included, especially the 4 anapana jhanas. If able to meditate vipassana on these 4 jhanas thoroughly until bhangañana then the four anapana catukka practice are included. However for those whose insight is not matured yet. these 4 catukka will be shown in brief.

ĀNĀPĀNA - FIRST CATUKKA

ĀNĀPĀNA - SECOND CATUKKA

ĀNĀPĀNA - THIRD CATUKKA; ONE POINT TO BE CAUTIONED

ĀNĀPĀNA - FORTH CATUKKA

BENEFICIAL RESULT

^{*} There seems to be a skip in the title!!!

FROM BHAYA-ÑĀNA TO SANKHĀRUPEKKHĀ-ÑĀŅA

In the meditator whose object is khanikanirodha, the perishing away of all past-future-present internal and external tebhūmaka sankhāradhamma in the 3 realms.

- and who is meditating with bhangānupassanāñāṇa insight many times, again and again,
- and who is continuously, constantly seeing the perishing away of sankhāradhamma by bhangānupassanānāna that has reached the higher stage.
- then, because the dukkha nature in these sankhāra or in the nāma-rūpa-khandhas of the 3 realms of being constantly, incessantly oppressed by perishing away is very clear,
- even the rūpa and arūpa state of existence which are considered as calm sukha appear as fearful dukkha. This insight is **bhayatupaṭṭhāna-ñāṇa**.

Then, the vipassanā insight which is seeing the faults thoroughly, ie. the anicca fault, the dukkha fault, the anatta fault, the viparināma fault in being subjected to change of the sankhāradhamma in the 3 realms of the 3 periods, internal and external is ādīnavānupassanā-ñāna.

When one comes to see the faults like that thoroughly, then the vipassanā insight which is wearied and disgusted with all sankhāradhamma in the three realms at the 3 periods is nibbidānupassanā-ñāṇa.

In the mind of the meditator who is wearied and disgusted, without attachment even to any single sankhāradhamma among the sankhāradhamma group in the 3 relams of the 3 periods, there arise the wish to be free from all sankhāradhamma. The vipassanā insight the wish to be free from all sankhāradhamma of the past and future is muncitukamyatā-nāṇa.

With the mind wishing to be free from all these sankhāradhamma, then having distinguished and discerned all sankhāradhamma again by vipassanā insight, the meditator meditates on these sankhāradhamma as anicca, as dukkha, as anatta, as asubha. That meditating vipassanā insight is paṭisankhānupassanāñāṇa. The 40 types of discernment shown in the earlier sammasanañāṇa stage can also be practised again in this stage. (see visuddhimagga for other methods.)

If meditate vipassanā thoroughly on the sankhāradhamma existing in the 3 periods, in 3 realms alternately as a whole such as internally and externally alternately, causes and effects alternately, as anicca, dukkha, anatta alternately then the perishing away of these sankhāradhamma will appear very clearly and very quickly to the vipassanā insight (the perishing away becomes very rough). On that perishing away, continue meditating vipassanā on the three characteristics alternately.

If able to meditate like that, gradually the vipassanā bhāvanā mind will reach the stage where there is no worry and no wish for the sankhāradhamma but is neutrally on it. The vipassanā meditation mind will be established calmly only on the object which is the perishing away of sankhāradhamma.

When the meditating mind is calm like that, the pañcadvāravīthi minds which knows the five object of colour, sound, smell, taste, touch do not arise; on the side of the nāma which is being meditated upon, manodvārikajavana vīthi minds arise and on the side of the vipassanā insight which is meditating, manodvārikajavana vīthi minds arise only.

At that time while meditating vipassanā on the 3 characteristics alternately of rūpa and nāma alternately, internally and externally alternately:

- (1) if the vipassanā bhāvanā mind is stable calmly on internal sankhāra object while meditating vipassanā on internal sankhāradhamma then continue to meditate vipassanā on internal sankhāradhamma only, or
- (2) if the vipassanābhāvnā mind is stable calmly on external sankhāra object while meditating vipassanā on external sankhāradhamma then continue to meditate vipassanā on external sankhāradhamma only. If change internal and external again and again the vipassanā samādhi may decline.

Here also:

(1) if, while meditating vipassanā on rūpadhamma, the vipassanābhāvanā mind is stable calmly on those rūpasankhāra object (= on the perishing away of those rūpa sankhāra as object) then continue to meditate vipassanā on those rūpadhamma only, or

vipassanā method.]

One can attain magga-phala-ñāṇa through the practice of anupadadhamma vipassanā method also. If unable to attain then meditate vipassnā by kalāpasammasana vipassanā method again, as mentioned above from sammasanañāṇa till sankhārupekkhāñāṇa. One can be successful according to pāramī.

DISCERN TO SEE SUÑÑATA (THE VOID)

Suññato lokam avekkhassu, mogharāja sadā sato. attānudiṭṭhim ūhacca, evam maccutaro siyā. evam lokam avekkhantam, maccurājā na passati.

VIPASSANĀ KAMMAŢŢHĀNA IS FINISHED