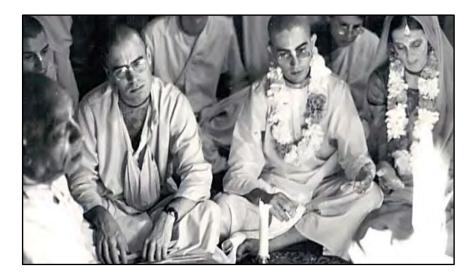
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N14C: November 14 Commission	SPL: Srila Prabhupada Letter
SPConv: Srila Prabhupada conversation	CC: Chaitanya charitamrita
NTIAP: Not That I Am Poisoned (2000)	<b>ABHI:</b> Abhirama's memoirs
Tamal: Tamal Krishna Goswami	<b>ISK70:</b> ISKCON in the 1970's
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BTG: Back to Godhead magazine	ConvBk: Conversation Books
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# DEDICATION

To His Divine Grace AC Bhaktivedanta Swami Srila Prabhupada, Founder-Acharya, International Society for Krishna Consciousness (And to the cause of the whole truth and nothing but the truth)

Om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya

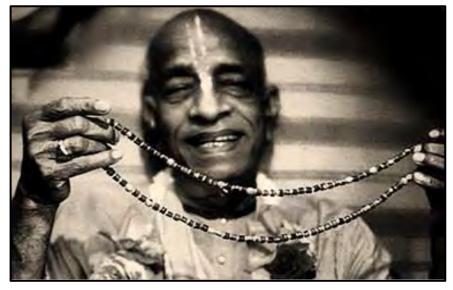
chakshur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah I was born in the darkest ignorance, and my spiritual master opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

Namah om vishnu-padaya krishna preshthaya bhu-tale srimate bhaktivedanta-svamin iti namine

I offer my respectful obeisances unto HDG A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, who is very dear to Lord Krishna, having taken shelter at His lotus feet.

Namas te sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracharine nirvisesha-sunyavadi-paschatya-desa-tarine

Our respectful obeisances are unto you, O spiritual master, servant of Sarasvati Goswami. You are kindly preaching the message of Lord Chaitanya and delivering the Western countries, which are filled with impersonalism and voidism.



#### INTRODUCTION TO SRI SIKSASTAKAM

"Lord Chaitanya Mahaprabhu instructed his disciples to write books on the science of Krishna, a task which His followers have continued to carry out down to the present day. The elaborations and exposition on the philosophy taught by Lord Chaitanya are, in fact, the most voluminous, exacting, and consistent, due to the unbreakable system of disciplic succession, of any religious culture in the world. Yet, Lord Chaitanya in His youth, widely renowned as a scholar Himself, left us only eight verses called Siksaktakam."

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# **INTRODUCTION**

#### MYSTERY OF SRILA PRABHUPADA'S DEPARTURE

In July 1976, Srila Prabhupada unexplainably, suddenly became very ill and weak, with no appetite. Again, in Feb. 1977, his health again sharply declined, marked by chronic mucus and bronchitis. About 40 Indian kavirajas and allopathic doctors all failed to pinpoint the actual problem, as diagnoses ranged across the board, from diabetes to kidney ailment, from nothing was wrong to maybe asthma. Despite treatment from various Ayurvedic doctors, he did not improve. After 10 months of hardly eating, Srila Prabhupada's physical condition resembled starvation, yet his Krishna consciousness never wavered. He had a mystery illness and left this mortal world on Nov. 14, 1977 to rejoin Lord Sri Krishna in the eternal abode of Goloka Vrindaban, from which perfect, liberated devotees descend to spiritually benefit the conditioned souls. Srila Prabhupada, a pure devotee of Lord Krishna, lives forever in his instructions, and his bona fide followers will always live with him. Krishna's eternally liberated associate is not an ordinary person. His appearance and disappearance in this world are arranged by Krishna.

Bhaktivinode Thakura stated: *He reasons ill who tells that Vaishnavas die, While thou art living still in sound. The Vaishnavas die to live, and living try, To spread the Holy Name around.* 

The "poison issue" erupted in late 1997, 20 years later, just as the internet went mainstream. A series of whispers about poison by Srila Prabhupada's caretakers was discovered on tape recordings made in his quarters during his last days. Then conversations a day before these "poison" whispers were discovered, wherein Srila Prabhupada said repeatedly he thought he had been poisoned, and his caretakers discussed homicidal poisoning at length. The dots were connected and Tamal Krishna Goswami and others were suspected of foul play. Tamal's taped interview claiming Prabhupada asked for "medicine to die now" was uncovered. ISKCON's GBC appointed an investigator for an internal inquiry. Hopes were high that the truth of the matter would be revealed.

Thirty months later an inconclusive report was superseded by a secretly organized cover-up of deceit by the primary suspects. ISKCON hastily endorsed the position that there was no evidence of poisoning. A struggle to effect a full, honest, private, and external investigation into this matter was undertaken by a broad spectrum of devotees now called the Prabhupada Truth Commission. The "poison theory" is not promoted

by a disenfranchised, splinter group, nor manufactured by those with grudges to avenge, nor by those with psychological imbalances, nor by troublemakers, faultfinders, or emotionally "wounded souls."

The health and future of the Hare Krishna Movement hinges on the outcome of the "poison issue," such is its relevancy. Many follow-through questions naturally arise, of which ISKCON misleaders are fearful, and so, they have covered-up the issue and demonized the evidence. Unfortunately the corrupted ISKCON GBC do not want truth and maintain their fragile institutional control through a repressive regime. This alone disqualifies them from continued leadership in Srila Prabhupada's ISKCON.

A forensic breakthrough was made in 2002 when three Srila Prabhupada hair samples that the GBC had arranged to test were found to have sky-high levels of the heavy metal cadmium. *Cadmium was the primary poison, and arsenic was secondary*. These cadmium levels could not be due to accident, pollution, industry, medicine, or water, but only malicious homicidal poisoning by ingestion of tainted food or drink. Further audio forensics, research, interviews, and hair tests added to the pool of evidence which stands on its own merits, although disparaged by ISKCON leaders. **The unavoidable, irrevocable conclusion** that Srila Prabhupada had been homicidally, maliciously poisoned in 1977, apparently by some of his own caretakers and senior disciples, is established by the overwhelming evidence.

The three quotes below are very applicable to this conclusion.

(1) "Whenever an acharya comes, following the superior orders of the Supreme Personality of Godhead or His representative, he establishes the principles of religion, as enunciated in Bhagavad-gita. [...] It is the acharya's duty to spread a bona fide religious system [...] Unfortunately, when the acharya disappears, rogues and nondevotees take advantage and immediately **begin to introduce unauthorized principles** in the name of so-called swamis, yogis, philanthropists, welfare workers and so on. Actually, human life is meant for executing the orders of the Supreme Lord, and this is stated in Bhagavad-gita (9.34): [...] The acharya, the authorized representative of the Supreme Lord, establishes these principles, **but when he disappears, things once again become disordered.** The perfect disciples of the acharya **try to relieve the situation** by sincerely following the instructions of the spiritual master." SBhag 4.28.48 Purport

(2) Translation (CC Mad 15.163): My dear Lord, let me suffer perpetually in a hellish condition, accepting all the sinful reactions of all living entities. Please finish their diseased material life. **Purport:** Srila

Bhaktisiddhanta Thakura gives the following commentary on this verse. In the Western countries, Christians believe that Lord Jesus Christ, their spiritual master, appeared in order to eradicate all the sins of his disciples. To this end, Lord Jesus Christ appeared and disappeared. Here, however, we find Sri Vasudeva Datta Thakura and Srila Haridasa Thakura to be many millions of times more advanced even when compared to Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ relieved only his followers from all sinful reactions, but Vasudeva Datta is here prepared to accept the sins of everyone in the universe. A Vaishnava is so liberal that he is prepared to risk everything to rescue conditioned souls from material existence. Vasudeva Datta is universal love itself, for he was willing to sacrifice everything and fully engage in the service of the Supreme.

(3) "If Christ were not crucified, then his cult would not have spread so much all over the world. The Christian cult was spread all over the world after the demise of Christ, not during his time. Is it not? Because he was persecuted, his cult became so spread. (SPConv:V.31.163-4)

We can only imagine the horrific assault that Srila Prabhupada endured from a poisoning that destroys one's health and physical life so thoroughly, insidiously, and painfully. Whereas Jesus Christ suffered for one day on the cross and Haridas Thakur for one day's beatings, Srila Prabhupada endured at least 300 days of heavy metals torture.

"That is my only request, that at the last stage don't torture me and put to death." (SPConv Nov. 3, 1977)

# PART ONE: IRREFUTABLE FORENSIC EVIDENCE

Tamal, Dec. 20, 1997: "What is most needed is textual and <u>forensic</u> <u>evidence</u>. We need researchers who can delve into all the materials and establish the truth on the basis of irrefutable facts."

"All truth passes through three stages: First it is ridiculed. Second it is violently opposed. Third it is accepted as being self-evident." (Gandhi)

Part 1 establishes the irrefutable forensic evidence in Srila Prabhupada's malicious homicidal poisoning.

# CHAPTER 1: ADVANCED "NAA" HAIR TESTS

"Every month I had the opportunity to shave Srila Prabhupada's head with the electric clippers. Srila Prabhupada was not a passive recipient during this process. He moved around and that made me more frightened. 'Turn the shaver off in between each stroke so it doesn't get hot,' he instructed. This wasn't very difficult, but the tricky part was shaving around his ears. 'Be careful of my ears,' he said whenever I got close to them. I was very careful. By Krishna's grace there was never a mishap during this service. It also gave me the opportunity to put many devotees into ecstasy by distributing Srila Prabhupada's hair."

(What Is The Difficulty? Srutikirti das, p 66)

#### HAIR TEST FOR MERCURY

After the whispers about poison were discovered and then the discussions of poisoning between Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers were brought forward, with the whole devotee world wondering what it all meant, the idea of professional audio forensic analyses took hold. As that developed into a series of forensic audio studies, Nityananda das read books on solving poisoning crimes, including that of Napoleon. Srila Prabhupada's exhumation was unthinkable, but forensic analysis of his hair samples that some devotees had kept could suffice. Srila Prabhupada became very ill in early 1977, so poisoning at that time could be confirmed by "sacred hair relics" cut in 1977. Nityananda had received in 1978 a sample of Srila Prabhupada's hair (called Sample W).

Sample W was tested in Dec. 1997 at First Analytical Laboratories in Chapel Hill, NC by a chemical process called hair mineral analysis. The lab analyst, Dr. Wadlin, found it had 4 ppm mercury, which is in the normal range. *So, this hair only told us that it was cut when Srila Prabhupada was not being poisoned by mercury*. Chemical tests required greater quantities than were in the few tiny Prabhupada hair samples that some devotees had saved. Dr. Wadlin suggested "neutron activation" analyses (NAA) which could also do a simultaneous reading of *multiple elements* by irradiating a sample, with its constituent elements emitting different types of radiation measured over a time period. Component elements (but not chemical compounds) were thus precisely measured.

# GBC APPOINTS BALAVANTA AS SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR

In Sept. 1997 GBC member Naveen Krishna das was so concerned by Srila Prabhupada's taped poisoning discussions and whispers that, after consultations with senior devotees and GBC members, he convinced the GBC Executive Committee to make an "emergency" appointment of Balavanta das (William Ogle, attorney, GBC) to investigate the alleged poisoning of Srila Prabhupada, including a proper study of the alarming "poison" whispers. Balavanta became the new "GBC special investigator." Tamal, Srila Prabhupada's 1977 personal secretary and a leading GBC/ISKCON guru, called Naveen Krishna, trying his utmost to have the investigation handled internally by the GBC. But it was already official, funded, and moving forward. The GBC gave only \$8000 for Balavanta's investigative costs.

# FIRST NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS

Nityananda kept in contact with Naveen Krishna and Balavanta (the GBC's "independent" investigator). In Jan. 1998 Balavanta disclosed he had obtained two very small quantities of Srila Prabhupada's hair (cutting dates unknown) but that the forensic lab he located could not test such small amounts. In March 1998 Nityananda located two NAA facilities. One was Dr. J Steven Morris at the Research Reactor of the University of Missouri. He called Dr. Morris, who explained his work with archeological artifacts like Aztec or Peruvian mummies, being experienced with hair tests. He offered to do a series of pro-bono (free) tests since the university facilities were inclined to academic interests. Nityananda told Balavanta about Dr. Morris, who made arrangements for tests on the Srila Prabhupada hair samples he had obtained.

Nityananda then called a Dr. A. Chatt of the Dept. of Chemistry, Dalhousie Univ., Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Dalhousie had a nuclear reactor research facility and Dr. Chatt was a leading world authority on NAA hair tests. He wrote a book called "*Hair Analysis.*" May 1, 1998 Nityananda sent Dr. Chatt more of his sacred hair relic, labeled *Sample ND-1* (3.7 mg). In Jan. 1999 Dr. Chatt, testing only for arsenic, found slightly elevated levels at *1.1 ppm*, but not a serious health hazard level.

#### ARSENIC POISONING CONFIRMED

Dr. Morris was an expert at forensically determining *abnormal levels* of toxic elements in human hair. Few other facilities in the world have facilities capable of accurately analyzing samples less than 1 mg in weight. Nityananda heard that Balavanta's hair test with Dr. Morris had *found arsenic at abnormal levels.* Feb. 19, 1999, Nityananda phoned Dr. Morris and heard that Balavanta's *Q-1* hair sample had *"almost 3 ppm" arsenic* (later he learned Q-1 was 2.6 ppm arsenic). As verified by scientific studies, normal values are *about 0.13 ppm arsenic in human hair.* Dr. Morris had collected *Sample Q-1* from Srila Prabhupada's hair clippers, which Balavanta had sent him. In his opinion, Srila Prabhupada

had about 20 X normal arsenic and was not from environmental factors, but from ingestion of unusual amounts of arsenic, and that accidental, occupational, or industrial exposure was extremely unlikely.

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

In early 1999 Nityananda consulted with Dr. Richard Page Hudson, retired North Carolina Chief Medical Examiner, a forensic pathologist doing private toxicological consultations. He had been involved with many exhumations and testing various body tissues, including hair, to determine poisons. He had also been involved in many murder cases involving arsenic, and he agreed that the symptoms from Srila Prabhupada's health history, as described, were definitely synonymous with chronic arsenic poisoning. He thought it would be valuable to broaden our investigation with more hair tests.

Because the *Sample Q-1* had come from hair clippers used over many months, Dr. Hudson agreed it represented an average from multiple cuttings, as hairs had gotten stuck in the clipper blades. This time was later determined to be about 10 months, from mid-Nov. 1976 to early Sept. 1977. This hair sample from multiple cuttings averaged 2.6 ppm arsenic during this time, and so, was *chronic arsenic poisoning* of 20 X normal levels over 10 months.

Nityananda now undertook a private, unbiased investigation into Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, parallel to the slow-moving, one-man, secret, and under-funded GBC investigation by Balavanta. He began to work with a team of others. Hansadutta das told him of a 1972 book on Napoleon's poisoning: *The Murder of Napoleon* by Weider and Hapgood. Research into Napoleon's death and his poisoning took place in the 1960's by NAA hair tests. Many different and authenticated hair kept by collectors for 150 years were tested by NAA and had very high arsenic levels. *Assassination at St. Helena: the Poisoning of Napoleon Bonaparte*, updated in 1995, proved to be very useful. Interestingly, Napoleon's and Srila Prabhupada's symptoms were very similar.

# **ARSENIC: CONCLUSIONS**

2.6 ppm arsenic is very abnormal, consistent with chronic poisoning, and the only plausible explanation is that it was ingested. Normal hair arsenic is  $\pm 0.13$  ppm, 1/20th that in *Sample Q-1*. Environmental contamination was very unlikely, and as seen in many chronic arsenic poisoning case studies, this level is a serious health hazard in the case of an elderly person when maintained over many months. *Srila Prabhupada was deliberately poisoned* with arsenic, although this level is not lethal. Many explanations for Srila Prabhupada's high arsenic levels other than deliberate poisoning, such as tainted water, etc. have been debunked.

It soon became clear that further investigation needed to be fully independent of the GBC, since they would not cooperate. The poison issue had received widespread publicity as everyone around ISKCON knew about the hair test with high arsenic, the poison whispers and discussions, and Srila Prabhupada's statements about being poisoned.

While the evidence had convinced many that Srila Prabhupada had been poisoned, few actually heard the whispers or read Srila Prabhupada's statements of being poisoned, wanting instead more "scientific" proof than the seemingly inconclusive arsenic hair test. Secular minds demanded court-quality, convictable evidence. They had more faith in science than in Srila Prabhupada's words. There was nothing more important for the health of the Hare Krishna movement than establishing the truth about Srila Prabhupada's departure.

This small team of ISKCON "outsiders" used their own resources. Nityananda examined loose ends, organized evidence files, and studied the several books on the poison issue. A thorough response was needed to address the GBC denials, including further facts, all evidence, and forensic tests on audio recordings and hair samples, made into a master compilation that would honestly address the issue. Nityananda commissioned more audio forensic studies on the poison whispers. He liaised with the contingent of Asian private investigative devotees and retired from his business, spending long days writing and studying. Eventually the new evidence book took shape. But the need was to find and test more Prabhupada hair samples.

# SEARCH FOR MORE 1977 HAIR SAMPLES By Nityananda das

We believed Srila Prabhupada when he said he was being poisoned; what we needed was multiple confirmations from further hair tests to eliminate any doubts. There were perhaps 20 devotees with samples of Srila Prabhupada's hair, and our priority was to locate hair samples cut in 1977. Balavanta's two untested samples were dated well before 1977. Srila Prabhupada's first dramatic health downturn on July 20, 1976 was seen as the likely start of poisoning, so we wanted hair cut after that date. But we found no 1977 samples. For 18 months all our inquiries around the devotee world for 1977 hair samples were fruitless. The owners of several 1977 hair samples wanted nothing to do with this controversial issue. In late 2001, I was reading the GBC's book *NTIAP:* 

"(Oct. 1999) we contacted Dr. Morris while trying to locate a lab to analyze a hair sample from Vrindaban... this hair was originally ON the clippers but was removed with a brush and kept in this container... Dr. Morris agreed to do the analysis... he wanted US\$6000 to do the work... it was decided that, considering the circumstances, it was not justifiable... ISKCON extends an open invitation to anyone who would like to fund this analysis by Dr. Morris. We will fully cooperate by providing full details of the specimens, which are already at a lab in the US, and what were their origins."

A few times in life one may have a profound epiphany, and this was one of them. What if somehow these GBC hair samples could be tested and they produced forensic confirmation of poisoning? Should I volunteer to pay for the tests? Intimidated in 1999 by *NTIAP's* author, a Jayapataka disciple, who demanded unlimited free tests, Dr. Morris had asked \$6000 to do any more hair tests. In March 2000 I had asked Dr. Morris for cost concessions on a series of new hair tests, hoping that I could later locate 1977 hair samples, and he agreed. I would be his only client- others would need to go elsewhere. I told him I would contact him later.

#### YUDHISTHIRA DAS BECOMES A DOUBLE AGENT



I suspected Tamal stopped the GBC's own tests at the last moment by refusing the \$6000 needed for Dr. Morris. First, I had to obtain "*full details of the specimens*" and "*what were* 

*their origins*," without causing them to disappear the hair samples if I offered to pay for the tests. *NTIAP* described more than one sample and that one came from Srila Prabhupada's hair clippers. Where were these samples now? I could not approach GBC loyalist Hari Sauri myself. I was already persona non-grata in ISKCON, publishing *Vedic Village Reviews* (1987-92) and the book *Someone Has Poisoned Me* (1999).

So I initiated email correspondence with Hari Sauri, Srila Prabhupada's former servant, using the pseudonym Yudhisthira das, asking necessary questions. He replied Oct. 20, 2001: "...a small batch of Srila Prabhupada's hair was collected by Daivi Shakti after Prabhupada's disappearance. She had cleaned off the clippers [with a brush] and put the hair in a box and kept it carefully. When Balavanta requested hair samples in 1998, I sent him the clippers without knowing about the batch of hair that Daivi Shakti had... The hair samples I got later on from Daivi Shakti, which were sent to America for testing independently of Balavanta's investigation, were much bigger... There is no doubt that these samples were Srila Prabhupada's hair and it is highly likely that they were the last batch of hair clippings from His Divine Grace. It's certain they were clipped from his head in 1977..."

Hari Sauri said the last time he personally clipped Srila Prabhupada's hair was just before March 13, 1977 when he left Srila Prabhupada's personal service. He did not know about the clipper's use after that, but Tamal noted in his diary that Srila Prabhupada's hair was *last* cut by razor-shaving on Sept. 22, confirmed by Vrindaban das Parker. Tamal said in *NTIAP* that the last use of the clippers was early Sept. 1977. Apparently there were no clipper cuttings in Oct-Nov. 1977. Hari Sauri stated: "*I gave the sample of Daivi Shakti dd to Deva Gaura Hari* [Mr. Hooper] *in Brisbane… He did send it to a lab in the USA…*"

### THE HAIR CLIPPER SAMPLES

The hair clippers Hari Sauri sent with Sesa das to be given to Balavanta in USA were taken from the Vrindaban ISKCON Prabhupada Museum, labeled "Srila Prabhupada's Last Hair clippers," and were there since 1977. Balavanta sent these clippers to Dr. Morris in 1998. Hari Sauri also answered my questions about the hair clippers history:

"As far as the hair clippers go, they ...were sent as replacements for a clipper machine I had in late 1976 that burnt out in Vrindaban. [As per SP's itinerary, he was in Vrindaban Oct. 20- Nov. 30, 1976.] They were brand new and being Prabhupada's personal clippers they could not have been used by anyone else. I don't remember the exact date that we received these new ones but it would have been in either very late 1976, around mid-Nov. when Alex Kulik brought some things over from LA or they would have been sent over with devotees coming in early 1977. When Balavanta requested hair samples I sent him the clippers..."

Another likely arrival time for the new clippers was Nov. 22, 1976 when Alan Kallman came from Los Angeles to Vrindaban. Thus, based on the statements from Hari Sauri and Tamal, these clippers were used to cut Srila Prabhupada's hair from mid-Nov. 1976 until early Sept. 1977. In these 10 months, they were used maybe 10 times, every 3-4 weeks. So, the little container of hair brushed from the clipper's oily blades by Daivi Shakti, which was "at a lab in the US," was a MIXTURE from many cuttings over 10 months. Daivi Shakti dasi collected these hairs after Srila Prabhupada departed, and her sample represented a 10 month average (*Nov. '76- Sept. '77*). In 1998 Balavanta's *Q-1* hair sample had been washed off the same clippers by Dr. Morris, still stuck there from 20 years earlier. But at which US lab was Daivi Shakti's hair sample?

NTIAP describes how the GBC agent (Deva Gaurahari das, a Jayapataka disciple) "...contacted various laboratories across the US regarding possible testing of a hair sample from Srila Prabhupada." Two certified 1977 Srila Prabhupada hair samples were sent from Australia to Larry Kovar of General Activation Analysis (California), but after learning "his facility didn't have the required reactor time to perform the tests, he contacted Dr. Richard Cashwell at the Univ. of

*Wisconsin about performing the analysis.*" I suspected the GBC author had abandoned the two GBC authenticated 1977 Srila Prabhupada hair samples in Wisconsin. *NTIAP: "…which are already at a lab in the US."* So I emailed Larry Kovar; he confirmed he sent the samples to Wisconsin. Were they still there?

Oct. 17, 2001 I phoned Dr. Cashwell, but he was now retired. His successor Dr. Robert Agasie knew of the case, and that their equipment could not test such a small mass of hair. I instructed Dr. Agasie to send the hair samples to Dr. Steven Morris for testing at the Univ. of Missouri (MURR), which he promptly did. The samples went directly to Dr. Morris and I never saw or handled them. This chain of custody was important. Nov. 1, 2001: Dr. Morris confirmed receipt of 4 hair samples.

#### LOST AND FOUND: NEW EVIDENCE

I sent Dr. Morris \$3500 in advance for seven tests. Dr. Morris described the 4 samples, labeled *A*, *B*, *D*, *E*. Samples *B* & *E* obviously were not Srila Prabhupada's hair, being the wrong color and length, included as comparison "controls." Only Samples A and D might be Srila Prabhupada's hair, and "Yudhisthira das" got positive identification in emails from both the GBC author and Hari Sauri: "The only samples of Srila Prabhupada's hair I had were the one from Melbourne and the one from Daivi Shakti in Vrindaban... The other two samples should stick out because they were pulled from the heads of living people, and the ones from Prabhupada were obviously shaved hair which is very short."

Samples *B* and *E* were controls, light brown or 3 inches long (Srila Prabhupada's hair was grey-black and very short). Dr. Morris stated the best control samples would be from Srila Prabhupada himself, from an earlier, pre-poisoning time. [We later did test two pre-1977 Srila Prabhupada hair samples to compare to his 1977 ones.] So, we would test *Samples A* (Daivi Shakti) and *D* (Melbourne). Later in 2002, Hari Sauri wrote Yudhisthira: "For Srila Prabhupada's samples... the hair strands I got from Daivi Shakti were a little bit longer than the ones I left in Melbourne." This confirmed that the shorter hairs in Sample *D* were from Melbourne, which he had cut from Srila Prabhupada's Melbourne quarters since 1977 as a sacred relic. In 1999 Hari Sauri retrieved some of this Melbourne sample, eventually reaching Wisconsin and then Dr. Morris.

Miraculously, we had rescued 2 authentic 1977 samples of Srila Prabhupada's hair that had been abandoned by the GBC, and NAA testing on them by Dr. Morris was lined-up. There was no doubt that if the GBC found out what was going on, they would sabotage the tests. We had to use secretive methods to further the investigation. Yudhisthira had been useful. No one expected the dramatic results. By 2002 we had only one poison-positive test result: Balavanta's *Q-1* with unusually high arsenic levels. Now *we would remotely complete the GBC's own tests*. Forensics could further confirm the greatest crime of the millennium.

# CHAPTER 2: UNEXPECTED CADMIUM DISCOVERY

# *By Nityananda das* **DEVISING THE TEST PARAMETERS**

Dr. Morris prepared for the neutron activation testing regime. He had learned much from thousands of hair tests for law enforcement agencies, court cases, and in academic studies. We decided to start with GBC *Sample D* and test for arsenic. I asked if he would be able to also test for antimony and mercury and he replied it was wise to broaden our search "while we were at it," suggesting cadmium as well. He explained how these four heavy metals had radioactive half-lives in the same range. So he geared the tests for these four elements. With our small samples, only one set of elements could be measured, so we chose the heavy metals commonly associated with poisoning. Arsenic was the most "popular" poison in history. Mercury had been mentioned in the conversations about makharadhvaja. High levels of antimony had been found in Napoleon's hair. And cadmium was just a bonus.

Dr. Morris explained that after massive nuclear activation, the resultant radioactivity of the sample itself is measured over 5 days. Each element has a different optimum time for measurement. First the arsenic is calculated, then cadmium, then mercury, and finally antimony. He did not wash the samples before testing, which can seriously compromise the sample. By powerful microscopic examination he found no external debris or contamination (oils, dust, chemicals). Studies found hair close to the scalp (these samples were the first half inch) was least likely to be *externally contaminated*. Dr. Morris refined his testing techniques to maximize the accuracy. Preparations were made for *Sample D* to "be put to the test" under 30 feet of water at the MURR nuclear testing facility.

## THE UNEXPECTED FORENSIC BREAKTHROUGH

In March 2002 Dr. Morris called me. "Checking some of the other elemental contents in Sample D, and I checked the calculations several times to make very sure, there is a most unusual and strikingly high *amount of cadmium... It has 23.6 parts per million.*" He described cadmium as an extremely toxic heavy metal similar to arsenic, mercury, lead, or thallium. From his description, I recognized the symptoms of chronic cadmium poisoning in Srila Prabhupada's last year.

# CADMIUM LEVELS SKY HIGH ABOVE NORMAL AVERAGE

I was stunned at this dramatic development. We had focused on arsenic, but instead we had found extreme cadmium levels. Research showed *normal average societal levels of cadmium to be 0.064 ppm*, or 1/16th of one part per million. *Sample D*'s cadmium was hundreds of times over normal. *A breakthrough in forensic evidence was now in hand to remove all doubt about Srila Prabhupada's poisoning*, even in diehard non-believers. Scientifically-minded persons wanted indisputable forensic proof, and here it was. Arsenic was "only" 20 times normal but these sky-high amounts of cadmium were undismissable. Arsenic was secondary and cadmium was primary. Krishna had led us to the evidence that would establish Srila Prabhupada's poisoning with finality.

Dr. Morris ascertained the cadmium values on Mar. 5. On the 15<sup>th</sup>, the Ides of March, the primary person of interest in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was killed in a car crash in India. Why did Tamal depart just as the cadmium poisoning was uncovered? My college mate Satyanarayan das called me on March 16, and lamented that Tamal had perished. I exclaimed, "*Oh… now we'll never be able to interview him for the poison investigation.*" He retorted, "*Is that all you can say!?*" On April 1, 2002 I conferred with Dr. Morris again. He was scheduled to test the GBC *Sample A* that week, including the little container that it came in. I asked where one would be able to find cadmium with which to poison someone. He replied: "*Many high school chemistry labs have cadmium salts such as cadmium sulfate, oxide or chloride. You won't find cadmium at the hardware or grocery store- one would need to know something about chemistry to know where to get it, such as a laboratory supplier. Cadmium is actually more poisonous than arsenic."* 

Cadmium is not a restricted material, unlike plutonium, mercury, anthrax, or many chemicals. *But it is a "forever chemical" with a half-life of 17-30 years (time for the body to expel half)*. Cadmium available anywhere in the world. I asked Dr. Morris who would know of the unusual, rarely used poison cadmium, and who would have the expertise to use it in proper dosages in a chronic slow poisoning? He replied, "Someone with a very good knowledge of chemistry and poisons." The recipe, doses, and application of chronic cadmium poisoning was beyond the ability or imagination of the average Joe and required some criminal sophistication or training in chemistry.

#### **GBC SAMPLE D:**

Upon refining his measurements, Dr. Morris reported on *Sample D*, which had been cut about March 8, 1977: CADMIUM = 19.9 ppm (311 X the norm of 0.064 ppm) ARSENIC = 0.640 ppm (5 X normal) ANTIMONY = 0.661 ppm (10 X normal) MERCURY = 3.72 ppm (normal)

#### **GBC SAMPLE A:**

Apr.18, 2002, Dr. Morris reported on his next test. *Sample A*, which had been brushed off Srila Prabhupada's 1977 hair clippers by Daivi Shakti, being a mix of hairs from 10 months' cuttings:

**CADMIUM = 12.4 ppm** (194 X the norm of 0.064 ppm)

ARSENIC = 0.200 ppm (near normal)

ANTIMONY = 0.186 ppm (2 X normal)

#### MERCURY = 5.16 ppm (normal)

Dr. Morris cryptically noted: "Again, the most striking finding in Sample A is the very high level of cadmium." Now we had double confirmation of cadmium poisoning from two samples fully authenticated as Srila Prabhupada's hair, from different sources and times. These two tests were solid evidence and irrefutable proof that Srila Prabhupada was indeed maliciously poisoned.

Dr. Morris described *Sample D* was in a small cardboard pillbox; *Sample A* had a translucent plastic bottom and top. He tested both containers and found "*no evidence of significant contamination*…"

#### **TEST RESULTS FROM JAGAT'S SAMPLE J**

In late 1999 Mandapa das in Australia informed me that he had located a sample of Srila Prabhupada's hair owned by Jagat das, who did not know when it was cut, but he had received it directly from Hari Sauri. Jagat sent the sample directly to Naveen Krishna, who sent it to Dr. Morris. We could not establish the dating of *Sample J*, as we labelled it. Dr. Morris tested it and May 16, 2002 the results were received. There were no unusual amounts of arsenic, cadmium, antimony, or mercury; it represented a pre-poison time. The corrected concentrations:

#### CADMIUM= undetected, below 2.3 ppm ARSENIC= 0.082 ppm ANTIMONY= 0.080 ppm... MERCURY= undetected, under 1.62 ppm

We concluded *Sample J* was cut before poisoning began and it was useful to compare to samples that showed sky-high poisoning levels.

#### **RE-TEST OF SAMPLE ND-2**

My 1999 test of *Sample ND-1* done by Dr. Chatt was only done for arsenic and so I decided to test the last of my hair sample with Dr. Morris at MURR. About 25 pieces were put into an empty film canister

as *Sample ND-2*. It was sent to Dr. Morris, and the test results came June 28, 2002; all values were nearly normal. We concluded *ND-2* was cut before Srila Prabhupada's poisoning had begun.

CADMIUM =	0.206 ppm	ARSENIC = 0.141 ppm
ANTIMONY =	0.013 ppm	MERCURY = 1.85 ppm

This was the second sample showing Srila Prabhupada's normal, pre-poisoning values, and interestingly, both confirmed that Q-1's 2.6 ppm arsenic was 20 X more than Srila Prabhupada's own normal levels. Srila Prabhupada's normal hair arsenic level was now settled, as established by *Samples J* and *ND*-2. We now saw the huge gap between his pre-poison and during-poison cadmium and arsenic levels. Also, average normal societal levels of cadmium (0.064 ppm) and arsenic (0.13 ppm) were close to Srila Prabhupada's pre-poisoning values.

#### **3 YEARS LATER: A THIRD CADMIUM CONFIRMATION**

Two ultra-high cadmium results in *Samples A* and *D* were positive proof and a double confirmation of cadmium poisoning. But a third confirmation in another test would add even more certainty of cadmium poisoning. A forensic toxicologist advised: "More is better." Three years passed without finding any more 1977 samples. I reread Dr. Morris' report to Balavanta: "The individual hairs in Q-1 were embedded on the movable cutter between the fingers constituting the fixed comb of the implement. These were removed in a stream of acetone..." I phoned Dr. Morris and asked: "By removing the clipper's lower blade, can you find any more pieces of hair inside?" Sample A was stuck **ON** the cutter blades. Sample Q-1 was stuck **BETWEEN** the cutter teeth. During the phone call, Dr. Morris took the clippers and removed the lower plate. Yes, he recovered *three pieces of hair* trapped **UNDER** the blades, and he would test them that week! This was Sample Q-2, and on July 25 the results showed Q-2 was the third sky-high cadmium confirmation.

CADMIUM = 14.9 ppm (233 X normal) ARSENIC = 0.85 ppm (6.5 X normal) ANTIMONY and MERCURY = not measured (not known why)

	"ALL HAIK TEST KESULTS 1990-2010"									
HAIR TESTS WITH ELEVATED CADMIUM & ARSENIC LEVELS										
ID	Date	Mass	Size	Tested	Source	ARS	ANT	MER	CAD	
D	Mar77	.00072	½ cm	3.4.02	Melbrn	0.640	0.661	3.72	19.9	
Α	1977	.00064	1-2 cm	4.15.02	DaiviSh	0.200	0.186	5.16	12.4	
Q-2	1977	.00012	2-3mm	7.26.05	Clipper	0.85	n/a	n/a	14.9	
Q-1	1977	.00130	<2mm	1.6.99	Clipper	2.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	

# \*ALL HAIR TEST RESULTS 1998-2016\*

Samples D (Melbourne), A (clippers), Q-2 (clippers) average 15.73 ppm.

TESTS WITH NORMAL CADMIUM, ARSENIC, ANTIM, MERC									
ID	Date	Mass	Size	Tested	Source	ARS	ANT	MER	CAD
l	Pre-77	.00085	1 cm	5.15.02	Jagat	0.082	0.080	1.62	<2.3*
ND2	Pre-77	.00310	¾ cm	6.11.02	Nityand	0.141	0.013	1.85	0.206
ND1	Pre-77	20 mg	1 cm	1998	Nityand	1.1			
W	Pre-77	40 mg	1 cm	1998	Nityand			4.0	

Sample J's cadmium under 2.3 ppm. Sample M not Prabhupada's hair.

**THREE CONFIRMATIONS** 

There was no room for any doubt: Srila Prabhupada's massive cadmium poisoning was *proven* by three confirming tests. Next, the task was to research a definitive, accurate, scientific interpretation of these sky-high cadmium levels found in Srila Prabhupada's 1977 hair samples. What consequences would they have on one's health? The *average normal* levels of human hair cadmium was thoroughly researched to be about **0.064 ppm**. The average cadmium level in Srila Prabhupada's hair was 15.73 ppm,  $\pm$  250 X normal. *This is elaborated in the next chapter*.

Sample D (19.9 ppm) represents a lethal level (also documented below) of about 3-4 weeks hair growth before early March 1977. The severe health decline starting on Feb. 26, 1977 is reflected in Sample D, and is obviously a cadmium poisoning. Hairclipper Samples A and Q-2 were a mix of hair from many cuttings from mid-Nov. 1976 to early Sept. 1977, showing an *average* of  $\pm 14$  ppm cadmium maintained across 10 months. There is no plausible explanation how Srila Prabhupada acquired these astronomical cadmium levels by environmental pollution, accidental exposure, occupational hazard, etc (see later chapters.)

#### ARSENIC AND ANTIMONY

The *average normal* levels of human hair arsenic is  $\pm 0.13 \text{ ppm}$ , corresponding to pre-poisoning levels in *Samples J & ND-2*. Yet, arsenic was notably elevated above normal in *D* (5 X), *Q-2* (6 X), and *Q-1* (20 X). So, cadmium was the primary poison, arsenic secondary. The arsenic levels in three tests cannot be attributed to normal variances; they are unusually elevated, though not at all lethal like the cadmium levels were. Thus there is  $\pm 10$  X more arsenic throughout 1977 than pre-1977, and is unexplained. Also, the average normal levels of human hair antimony is  $\pm 0.066 \text{ ppm}$ , similar to *J* and *ND-2* pre-poisoning levels. Yet, antimony was above normal in *Sample D* (10 X) and *Sample A* (3 X). So, antimony and arsenic were both at elevated levels, secondary to cadmium.

#### CONCLUSIONS

Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was via a *heavy metals cocktail*, primarily cadmium with some arsenic and antimony. Perhaps other

poisons were used as well, but we do not yet know of them. Noted is how the 2.6 ppm arsenic in *Sample Q-1* was 32 X more than in *Sample J*, which is not a standard variation from pre-poison to poison levels. *Samples J* and *ND-2* conform to average normal societal levels as seen in scientific studies. *All these cross referencings and comparisons of test results confirm the accuracy of Dr. Morris's calculations.* 

#### DR. MORRIS FINAL REPORT NOV. 23, 2015

Dr. Morris' final report on his NAA tests is included in Ch. 31.

Srila Prabhupada was poisoned with sky-high levels of cadmium, deliberately and intentionally over a minimum of 10 months, demonstrated by the dating of the tested hair samples, proving deliberate homicidal intent. Srila Prabhupada travelled widely during these months, showing the poisoning was in-house-- from someone on the inside, not from the air, water, visitors, etc of any one location. Whether 2.6 ppm arsenic is health threatening is now irrelevant in light of 250 X average normal cadmium. *And cadmium is TWICE AS POISONOUS as arsenic*.

# CHAPTER 3: SCIENTIFIC STUDIES, EXPERT OPINIONS

#### By Nityananda das

Former GBC Naveen Krishna das advised that forensic experts should be consulted to give authoritative weight to our conclusion of malicious chronic cadmium poisoning. We obtained opinions from several such experts. The body of scientific literature on cadmium poisoning continues to grow and is available online at PubMed, providing expert opinions and studies on cadmium and hair analysis. In 1977 cadmium was not a well-known poisoning method, so Srila Prabhupada's poisoners likely learned about it from a chemist, doctor, professional, or poison tantric such as Chandra Swami. (see Vol. 3)

#### (1) EXPERT OPINION: DR. HUDSON, Forensic Pathologist

Former NC Chief Medical Examiner, Dr. Page Hudson, Jr., a forensic pathologist teaching at E. Carolina Univ., had earlier reviewed my 1999 book *Someone Has Poisoned Me (SHPM)*. He specialized in solving arsenic murders in North Carolina. I sent him a letter with a description of Srila Prabhupada's 1977 illness and symptoms with the hair test results on *Samples A* and *D*, asking for comments and cadmium toxicity. Based on his professional and medical experience, he opined:

"One ppm is considered a rather hefty load of cadmium. About 20 ppm is distinctly abnormal. Wasting, kidney disease, and the spillage of sugar are certainly consistent with cadmium toxicity, but unfortunately are common with many other conditions and diseases... It appears to me that if the cadmium concentration is correct, the exposures to the material must have been small and over a period of months. To administer intentionally this poison in this fashion would call for amazing subtlety and patience. I reasoned in a vague sort of way that a person reaching the high concentration the subject did would more likely have received multiple doses or had chronic exposure to reach the hair level he did – without having some clinically acute, dramatic episode marking the exposure. ...the cadmium may have done irrecoverable damage months before death and all subsequent hair growth may have been drawing from the body pool of cadmium – without new exposures."

# (2) EXPERT OPINION: DR. ANIL AGGARWAL, Forensic Toxicologist

A Professor of Forensic Medicine at Maulana Azad Medical College since 1985, Dr. Anil Aggarwal, a Forensic Toxicologist in New Delhi, specialized in solving mysterious deaths and was a poisons expert. He solved many bizarre cases, including one of acute cadmium poisoning. Dr. Aggarwal also maintains an Internet Journal of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology. He agreed to review our case. We sent him a medical symptoms summary and detailed the cadmium findings in hair tests. One of our team members went to see him and his associates, all top university scientists in toxicology and medicine, in May 2002 and brought him a copy of SHPM. The particulars of Srila Prabhupada's case were presented, discussed, and analyzed. He rendered his professional opinion: "Cadmium 20 ppm in hair is prima facie evidence of poisoning with malicious intent." In June 2002, Dr. Aggarwal wrote to me further: "A perusal of your book, and other facts as discussed with your friend, point strongly in favor of cadmium (poisoning)... I am able to defend your contention in any forum."

#### (3) EXPERT OPINION: DR. DIPANKAR CHAKRABORTI

Dr. Dipankar Chakraborti, Dir. Of Environmental Studies, Jadavpur Univ., India, was at the head of the arsenic crisis in Bengal, imminently qualified in heavy metals poisoning and hair analysis. He was interviewed by a member of our Asian investigative team in April 2002. His expertise was mercury, antimony, arsenic, and cadmium poisoning. Asked what is the significance of a hair level of 20 ppm cadmium, he replied "*He will be finished. He can't survive more than 3 or 4 days.*" Yet Srila Prabhupada survived with such high cadmium levels for many months – only, we surmise, by the will of the Lord and due to his mystic yoga perfections. Otherwise one wonders why these massive amounts of poison did not have the expected results. He was not an ordinary man.

Dr. Dipankar wrote a searing report (<u>www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov</u>) on the arsenic in water crisis in India in 2018 titled Groundwater Arsenic Contamination in the Ganga River Basin: this affects 500M people; 19% of India's population drinks water with lethal arsenic levels over time.

#### (4) EXPERT OPINION: DR. AMARES CHATT, DALHOUSIE UNIV.

In 1998 Dr. A. Chatt in Halifax, Nova Scotia tested our first hair sample, *ND-1*. He uses NAA, and authored a book, *Hair Analysis*. Dr. Chatt remarked on Srila Prabhupada's 20 ppm cadmium found by his friend and colleague Dr. Morris: "*The level of 20 ppm seems to be very high if external contamination is ruled out*. **I have done thousands of** *hair tests over many years and sometimes see at most 2 ppm cadmium*." He asked if shampoos, creams, etc might have externally contaminated the hair. Our reply: "None of these things were used."

#### (5) EXPERT OPINION: ANALYTICAL RESEARCH LABS, PHOENIX, AZ.

Analytical Research Labs (ARL) does commercial hair analyses for individuals, doctors, and medical clinics. ARL is classified as "Laboratories-Medical," testing clinical specimens for information on a patient's health re: diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disease. ARL is one of the largest such US outfits, with a professional and respected performance rating. As of 2003, they were doing 35,000 hair tests annually; as of 2020 they were in operation 4 decades. I interviewed Pres. Kenneth Paul C. Eck in 2004, giving facts from ARL's operations: (1) They rarely see cadmium levels over 1 ppm (2) The usual range was from 0.02-0.10 ppm (3) That: "20 ppm was off the chart."

I also spoke to Russ Madarash, ARL's head chemist, who confirmed: (1) Cadmium values are usually under 0.10 ppm (2) That their "red alert level" is 2 ppm, requiring a second test (3) The highest value that he remembered was 4 ppm. (see www.arltma.com)

So, after a million tests, one ARL client had 4 ppm hair cadmium, while *no one had the Srila Prabhupada's levels*. Srila Prabhupada's cadmium levels were "*OFF THE CHART.*"

#### (6) EXPERT OPINION: AYURVEDIC PHYSICIAN

Dr. Metha was shown in 1998 photos of Srila Prabhupada during his last days and watched the video of Srila Prabhupada's last months titled: "The Final Lesson." He had been a practicing Ayurvedic physician in Texas since 1948. From an interview in 1997: "The expression and symptoms of the face, the eyes and the manner of speaking indicate to me that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, most probably by arsenic or

mercury. He himself said that he was poisoned, confirmed by dullness of the face, how the body's natural color is gone. This is very hard for the average person to understand; only the experienced eye can tell."

# (7) EXPERT OPINION: CADMIUM POISONING SCIENTIFIC STUDIES

#### (I) WHAT ARE AVERAGE NORMAL CADMIUM LEVELS?

Published scientific studies are accepted as presentation of scientific facts, subject to due diligence and discretion by application to specific circumstances. What do scientific studies show to be the *average normal* level of cadmium in human hair? We collected the findings from numerous authoritative sources.

#### (II) CADMIUM UNEXPOSED SUBJECT STUDIES:

A list of 19 studies, listed in Vol. 1, determines that the average normal human hair level of cadmium is **0.064 ppm.** Of course, there are variations due to location, environment, nearby industries, etc. We call this the "Average Normal." Srila Prabhupada's 1977 cadmium levels in hair Samples D, A, and Q-2 is an average 15.73 ppm, or 250 X more than the average normal, sustained over a minimum of 10 months. And cadmium levels in vegetarians are significantly lower. Srila Prabhupada's cadmium poisoning was catastrophic. As seen below, <u>this is a lethal amount over a short period of time</u>.

#### (III) CADMIUM OCCUPATION-ENVIRONMENT EXPOSED STUDIES:

A list of 12 studies (Vol. 1) of environmentally or occupationally exposed persons averaged 0.387 ppm, or *FORTY TIMES* less than Srila Prabhupada's 1977 level and only a fraction of *one ppm*, far below the levels seen in Srila Prabhupada's hair. Obviously Srila Prabhupada's cadmium was due to something far more catastrophic than factory or environmental contamination. In all the studies we found online, not one featured hair cadmium levels even a fraction of Srila Prabhupada's *unprecedented levels* which were off the "exposure" chart. It is amazing he lived for so many months with such levels. Www.webhart.net states: "Cadmium in hair exceeding 1 ppm is cause for concern."

We selected studies for cadmium and arsenic hair levels that did not have *obvious "outlier values*" that result in misleading ranges and averages, to arrive at a more accurate average normal in human hair, or 0.064 ppm cadmium and 0.13 ppm arsenic (explained more in Vol. 1).

# (8) EXPERT OPINION: CADMIUM POISONING SCIENTIFIC STUDIES

(I) *Lethality And Morbidity:* Homicidal and accidental cadmium poisoning deaths are rare. Although many studies on cadmium poisoning have been done since the 1950's, the relationship between dose-exposure and health effects is still being refined. The paucity of clinical cases of

serious chronic or acute cadmium poisoning in human society has largely restricted the scientific record to animal studies and low-level cases. Due to variabilities and other factors, scientific studies are not able to define a universal "lethal level" of cadmium in human hair, so cadmium lethality requires a deeper and more circumspect analysis, summarized below.

The body of scientific literature provides ample knowledge and deep insights into cadmium's toxicity and the lethality and morbidity of Srila Prabhupada's high cadmium levels. Vol. 1 lists 13 scientific studies by which to understand the catastrophic effects of Srila Prabhupada's cadmium levels. There is no one study specifically with  $\pm 16$  ppm cadmium in hair, but a combination of many studies paint a clear picture: *these cadmium levels over 10 months is an imminently life-threatening and lethal level*.

(a) Cadmium has reached *up to* 4 ppm in the soil at hazardous waste sites. (*Srila Prabhupada had 4 times the level in the worst waste dump.*) (b) OSHA states: "*Cadmium is extremely poisonous and toxic at extremely low levels...*" (c) Even in areas of heavy industrial and environmental cadmium pollution, as in Poland, residents still only had about  $1/70^{th}$  of Srila Prabhupada levels. (d) But his high cadmium was NOT due to environmental or industrial pollution. (e) Cadmium is twice as toxic than arsenic, and since hair levels of 5 ppm arsenic equate to a fatal chronic poisoning, 16 ppm cadmium is quickly fatal.

(f) Ergates village in Cyprus is downwind from a cadmium foundry, resulting in blood cadmium levels 5 X the norm and 150-300% the national average of brain, kidney, pancreas, lung, and leukemia cancers amongst its residents. This corresponds to 5 X the norm in hair cadmium. If Srila Prabhupada's hair had  $\pm 250$  X the norm, then he would have been 50 times as ill and disease prone as these unfortunate villagers.

(g) Henry Lee Lucas, a Texas serial killer, had his hair tested in 1985 to study his criminal nature. The chemist, Dr. Walsh, said: "*His cadmium concentration is more than 30 times the population median value, and is the highest level we have ever observed in a human being out of thousands tested.*" And Srila Prabhupada had 8 X as much as that...

(h) Srila Prabhupada's cadmium levels would cause serious kidney disease and failure within a year. (i) His hair had 16,000 X more cadmium than in most of the world's drinking water, and 400 X more cadmium than the maximum allowable limit in drinking water by the EPA. (j) A lethal dose is about 0.5 grain or 30-40 mg cadmium (about 0.035 grams or 0.001235 oz. or 1/900 oz.), or the weight of a small postage stamp. Due to Srila Prabhupada's age and health, a lethal

cadmium dose would be less. ["Even less than a milligram of cadmium salt may be enough to produce fatal toxicity." Clinical Chemistry, 2011].

(II) Summary: Lethality And Morbidity: There is no other conclusion possible except that his level of cadmium poisoning over 10 months was lethal and responsible for his sharp deterioration of health and physical demise.

#### (9) EXPERT OPINION: PATHOLOGY SCIENTIFIC STUDIES

Various studies provided a general overview of cadmium's extreme and widespread destructiveness to the body, giving *some idea of what it does, and how, to its unfortunate victims (see Vol. 1 for full list).* Unlike other toxic heavy metals, *ingested cadmium is primarily cumulative;* since body excretion is so slow, with a half-life of 17-30 years. Therefore, in a chronic poisoning, a fatal threshold is quickly reached. Cadmium is a general metabolic poison and competes with (replaces) zinc, disrupting essential biological processes. Ingested cadmium is primarily deposited in the kidneys and liver.

Cadmium causes irreversible renal tubular damage (proteinuria), progressing into complete Fanconi syndrome with decreased tubular reabsorption of proteins, glucose, amino acids, calcium, phosphorus, with decreased ability to acidify or concentrate the urine. This results in overall physical deterioration. Nutrients, minerals and protein are not assimilated but pass out with urine. Leaching (protein, sugar spilled in the urine) denies the victim any sustenance with progressive malnutrition, starvation, indigestion, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain, etc. (*Exactly Srila Prabhupada's condition.*) Cadmium poisoning is irreversible; there is no effective chelation therapy and no antidote.

Cadmium has no known beneficial effect on the human physiology. Normal cadmium concentrations in the adult kidney cortex are about 50 ppm; when it reaches a critical threshold of 200 ppm, serious kidney disease-dysfunction-failure ensues. (*Exactly Srila Prabhupada's condition*). Progressive effects of cadmium continue after exposure ends; disease exacerbates. Once sufficient cadmium is chronically ingested, death follows from disease progression. Breathing difficulties, emphysema develop even 10 years later at chronic levels. (*Oct. 1977: Dr. K. Gopal was focused on SP's lungs, consistent with cadmium poisoning*) Cadmium is one of the most dangerous nephrotoxic agents. Cadmium interferes with the basic chemical processes that sustain life.

# (10) EXPERT OPINION: DR. J. STEVEN MORRIS

It is extremely unlikely Dr. Morris made any error in his calculations on the cadmium in Srila Prabhupada's hair. He has done

thousands of NAA tests on tiny samples for decades- this is his unique expert qualification. Thus he had perfected and refined his techniques, eliminating all meaningful errors. His reports allow for a slight variance of accuracy up to 5%, achieving 95% accuracy. His findings are highly accurate. *We can justifiably have millions of times more confidence in Dr. Morris' results than in the dishonest, fraudulent denials of ISKCON's GBC*, who are politically motivated to bury the "poison conspiracy." Dr. Morris, on the other hand, has no motive to fudge his findings. We should simply take it that the forensic scientific breakthrough discovered "accidentally" by Dr. Morris is the arrangement of Lord Krishna to reveal the truth of Srila Prabhupada's final pastimes. If the ISKCON GBC doubts Dr. Morris' results, why don't they test the Srila Prabhupada hair samples and teeth (that they have now hidden)?

Dr. Morris did 3 separate NAA tests finding similarly extreme cadmium in *Samples A, D,* and *Q*-2. Thus he would have had to make the *same miscalculations* 3 times over 3 years, while he was doing countless other NAA tests and when he would have corrected any anomalies in his testing regime that may have arisen. Dr. Morris was not testing for cadmium for the first time. These hair tests were done amongst many others using the same methodologies. He is but one of the MURR team of NAA experts who all collaborate together. On each of Dr. Morris' three cadmium tests, he uniquely refreshed his testing calibrations and calculations, consistently finding similarly elevated levels of cadmium and also similar levels of arsenic, antimony, and mercury. Six tests, four elements, and a total of 22 values that fit together compatibly without contradictions. *The consistency and cross-correlations in four tests of elevated 1977 hair and the two tests of normal pre-1977 hair strongly validate his findings as very accurate.* 

Srila Prabhupada's last year of hair cadmium levels were lethal, especially so by being concurrent to any existing heart, kidneys, and diabetes problems. This is the clear verdict of the above ten expert opinions, confirming Srila Prabhupada's lethal hair cadmium levels.

# CHAPTER 4: MALICIOUS, HOMICIDAL POISONING

#### CADMIUM WAS THE PRIMARY POISON

Based on the evidence at that time, SHPM (1999) stated that Srila

Prabhupada was poisoned with arsenic, which was 2.6 ppm in one sample of his hair, about 20 X above the average normal. *There is no innocuous explanation as to how Srila Prabhupada would have acquired this amount of arsenic in his hair, even if it was not a lethal level.* The arguments that Srila Prabhupada drank arsenic tainted Bengali water, or that 2.6 ppm is normal, must all be discarded after honest scientific evaluation. However, 2002-05 hair tests on *Samples D A*, and *Q-2* found an average 15.73 ppm cadmium in Srila Prabhupada's hair *throughout* 1977, a sky-high level 250 X above average normal. (Also the antimony was elevated.) Based on scientific literatures, these cadmium levels would be lethal over the 10 months represented by the hair samples, while the arsenic and antimony would be further health debilitative..

#### POISONING CLASSIFICATIONS

Gradual poisoning by heavy metals occurs in one of three ways: Accident, Pollution, or Homicide (a secret, malicious introduction of a lethal dose in food or drink, or multiple, chronic doses over time causing slow death). Since cadmium is begrudgingly expelled from the body, a hefty dose of cadmium would act adversely for years with limited recovery. A persistent, gradual health deterioration results from regular cumulative small doses of cadmium. Cadmium poisoning can be classified in three degrees of intensity: ACUTE, with sudden, dramatic symptoms, intense, often fatal; SUB-ACUTE, with serious effects but not lethal; CHRONIC, with regular lesser doses and longer survivability.

Which was applicable to Srila Prabhupada? Srila Prabhupada's hair cadmium levels were far above the low-level chronic poisoning typical of factory pollution, which can produce serious health problems such as kidney failure and prostate cancer after 10-40 years, with values of 0.5 up to  $\pm 2$  ppm hair cadmium. Acute poisoning should result in death within hours or days. The progressive history of Srila Prabhupada's declining health in his last year, with its level plateau periods and sudden onsets of a new crisis, suggests a *steady "maintenance" poisoning punctuated by periodic, more intense doses.* This gradual, progressive health decline indicates a *mid-level chronic poisoning* punctuated with regular *sub-acute* episodes with higher doses.

After some weeks or months, as the circumstances were "favorable," the poisoners would terminate the intervals of health stabilization and some feeble recovery with another sub-acute dose to produce accelerated health decay. The mysterious and persistent "ailment" appeared to be nothing more than "Srila Prabhupada's body being old and worn-out from constant travelling and preaching." (TransD)

Srila Prabhupada's dramatic health declines were July 20, 1976, Feb. 26, 1977 in Mayapur, May 16, 1977 in Hrishikesh, and Sept. 8, 1977 in London. Each of these sub-acute episodes was a sudden onset of a crisis pushing his health down again. As Dr. Hudson opined: "*the exposures to the material must have been small and over a period of months*." The gradual ingestion of small amounts of cadmium resulted in a delayed, cumulative, and irreversible effect on health 1976-77.

#### A MALICIOUS, HOMICIDAL POISONING

Hair tests and the medical history evidences an insidious, secret poisoning by the difficult to detect heavy metal cadmium, the symptoms of which resemble diabetes and kidney disease. Administration of many low doses over many months was punctuated with periodic more potent "surprise" doses, which were used to discredit all doctors and medicines. Chronic cadmium or arsenic poisoning resembles old age, arousing less suspicion, being a state of chronic invalidism and starvation. Srila suffered a severe cadmium Prabhupada poisoning of virtually unprecedented. catastrophic proportions. This was the distinct methodology for his homicidal cadmium poisoning.

# POISONING, LITTLE BY LITTLE METHODOLOGY, CADMIUM SALTS

Srila Prabhupada's hair tests show the poisoning was chronic over at least 10 months; his medical history indicates up to 18 months. *Hair tests confirm massive cadmium poisoning between Nov.* '76 and end of 1977, and medical symptoms indicate a start in May to July 1976. The poisoners had to be "very close" to administer periodic doses. Caretakers were the only ones with access to carry out a secretive tainting of Srila Prabhupada's food or drink. The poisoners needed regular access to Srila Prabhupada, ruling out outsiders like Gaudiya Math, caste brahmanas, or visitors. This points to those stationed around Srila Prabhupada. Heavy metals caused the slow health debilitation and starvation found in his health history (see Vol. 4). Cosmetic small doses produced malaise, more weakness, and reduction of strength. Between the first two major episodes of July 20, '76 and Feb. 26, '77, Srila Prabhupada partially recovered. His health history fits all too well with cadmium poisoning.

How could cadmium have been administered? *Toxicology of the Eye* by WM Grant (1974) states: "*Ingestion of cadmium salts has caused severe and sometimes fatal poisoning*." Cadmium salts are very suitable for homicidal poisoning. E.g., readily obtainable cadmium chloride (CdCl<sub>2</sub>) is very soluble in water, tasteless, colorless, odorless, as a white crystalline powder, similar to salt or sugar. It could easily mix into salt, sugar, or food supplements. Cadmium is widely available in various inorganic salts. Arsenic is widely available as arsenic trioxide.

A crystalline cadmium salt is suitable, not pure cadmium metal, which is not colorless, tasteless, or water soluble. Here are some avenues how cadmium could have been given to Srila Prabhupada for oral ingestion by tainting any of his exclusive, regularly used personal ingredients: (1) Sprinkled on top of food, as claimed by Bhakta Vatsala das (2) Sprinkled in milk, water, or fruit juice (readily dissolvable) (3) Mixed in his kitchen's sugar or salt jar, in his tooth powder, in the dry powder Horlicks or Complan food supplements, in his special vegetable salt, in his *Hedges* snuff powder. Note that no one medicine was taken regularly in the last 18 months. A sprinkle or pinch of colorless, tasteless, and odorless cadmium salt crystals, such as what might fit on the very tip of a key, would be unnoticed and could produce another serious downturn in health. Cadmium is potently poisonous.

No one else used Srila Prabhupada's personal items, so one of those items could be tainted, and the caretakers would knowingly (or not) be agents in a gradual homicidal poisoning. Then someone would administer every so often a more acute, higher dose. Cadmium could be mixed with food, salt, drinks, etc. Thus poison was taken in small doses regularly, maintaining a constant drain on Srila Prabhupada's health while the poisoners watched their work go on automatically.

Meanwhile, it was necessary to avoid awkward situations with new doctors or treatments were avoided that might discover the "disease's" true nature. Srila Prabhupada's decision to return to Vrindaban from London avoided any chance that Western medicine, hospitals tests, or competent doctors discovered poisoning. The accumulating cadmium would continue to wreak havoc and cause physical deterioration. The constant anemia, lack of appetite, no taste for food, and muscle weakness seen in Srila Prabhupada's health history (Vol. 4) was a result of background chronic poisoning, enough to produce a "starvation program." His body slowly lost weight, becoming progressively weaker, primarily from being unable to eat or digest food, with no taste or appetite, the kidneys "spilling" sugar and protein back into the urine.

"The dosages (chronic arsenic intoxication) may be small enough that none will produce immediate distress, though a general sense of discomfort and sickness will be apparent and may baffle diagnosis." The method of covert poisoning: "The doses are increased and reduced to create the impression that the 'patient' with a mysterious illness is getting better from some treatment, and worse from another. Then the dose is much increased and no one is surprised when there is a severe worsening that defies medical diagnosis or doctors' medications."

#### HOMICIDAL CADMIUM POISONING

Advanced testing by NAA of hair *Samples D, A*, and *Q*-2 with 250 X more than the *average* normal levels of cadmium in human hair has confirmed Srila Prabhupada's *homicidal cadmium poisoning*. Scientific research confirms these amounts are lethal over 10-18 months. Cadmium was the primary ingredient in a *heavy metals cocktail* enhanced with elevated levels of arsenic and antimony which accelerated, exacerbated any existing kidney disease and diabetes, and consistent with Srila Prabhupada's surprise health decline in 1976-1977 (see Vol. 4). *The total evidence overwhelmingly supports a homicidal cadmium poisoning* which caused rapidly declining health and premature death.

#### CHRONIC INVALIDISM AND STARVATION

Chronic heavy metals poisoning causes a condition typical to old age (arousing no suspicion) and is a state of chronic invalidism and starvation. Satsvarupa and Hari Sauri described Srila Prabhupada's illness as just old age and the physical body wearing out. But the real cause was *heavy metal poisoning*. The gradual poisoning avoided a sudden death, appearing natural, with a frustrating, unexplainable, gradual health decline over a year. If it appeared as anything other than a prolonged illness, then an autopsy, investigation, or serious questioning might discover the poisoning. It was also necessary to maintain Srila Prabhupada's state of chronic invalidism until he made his will and turned over management and bank accounts to his disciples. A sudden death by poison would have left ISKCON's assets in legal limbo.

After the kidneys become overloaded with cadmium, "leaching" occurs, denying the victim of any sustenance from what they eat. Cadmium ingested early in 1977 would still be wreaking havoc on Srila Prabhupada's health at the end of 1977. Slow death follows with malnutrition, starvation, indigestion, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain, etc. These were his medical symptoms, and any analysis must address the  $\pm 16$  ppm cadmium maintained for 10-18 months.

#### "BASICS OF HOMICIDAL POISONING INVESTIGATIONS"

From ojp.gov abstract: scientific study with relevancies to be noted:

"Those at highest risk for being victims of poisoning are ... the elderly ... The offender is usually personally involved with the victim and is often a caregiver. Poisoners often assume the role of attempting to "nurse" the victim back to health... poisoners usually enjoy the thrill of having power over the life and suffering of the victim. ["The poison's going down... giggle, giggle"]

"... Substances that can be lethal in small amounts appeal most to perpetrators. The ideal poison for a homicide is odorless, tasteless, difficult to detect, and a bearer of symptoms similar to naturally occurring diseases. It has become increasingly difficult to find a poison with all of these features, [cadmium was perfect] since modern scientific methods and advances have made it easier to detect poisons. This article profiles the following poisons that have been used to perpetrate homicidal poisoning: **arsenic**, [or other heavy metals] cyanide, thallium, strychnine, aconitine, atropine, and **antimony**. Some "red flags" that indicate homicidal poisoning [...] the association of a caregiver [...] caregiver access to restricted drugs or other chemicals; and caretaker isolation of the victim. The forensic toxicologist narrows the list of poisons that may have been used." [Note the many parallels.]

#### INSIDIOUS AND VIRTUALLY UNDETECTABLE

Heavy metals and other exotic poisons routinely go unrecognized, and although well-documented, cadmium is rarely used in homicide. Cadmium is "insidious:" working or spreading harmfully in a subtle, treacherous, stealthy manner. *Cadmium and arsenic are "masquerade" poisons, and are virtually undetectable.* In *Unnatural Death: Confessions of a Medical Examiner*, Dr. MM Baden notes that autopsies rarely detect poisons- needing separate, costly tests. Heavy metals are virtually invisible, missed by investigators, physicians, coroners, and medical examiners. *Poison murders have only a 10-15% detection rate.* 

Asked why arsenic poisoning was not previously suspected in Napoleon's death, Ben Weider replied: "...Henri Griffon, the poisons expert at the Paris police laboratory ...said that in no case of arsenic poisoning, and he has investigated many, did a doctor diagnose arsenic correctly and in time. The symptoms are characteristic of several diseases more familiar to doctors. Certainly a doctor is more comfortable with disease than with the idea of poison." Srila Prabhupada's nefarious poisoning was planned and executed in a most sinister manner, carried out without arousing too much suspicion. But Lord Krishna arranged for it to be discovered and revealed.

#### HOW MANY LETHAL DOSES WERE GIVEN?

We could not find any cases in the scientific record of prolonged cadmium poisoning with as high hair levels as Srila Prabhupada. It was an **unprecedented** poisoning, for at least 10 months. Being a pure devotee with mystic powers, he had the power or means to overcome all physical obstacles and bodily attacks, including poisoning. On July 20, 1976, Feb. 26, 1977, May 16, 1977, and other dates he suffered sudden, intense health attacks (suspected lethal poisonings). Only after Srila Prabhupada revealed his poisoning did he decide to leave us. Was there a final lethal poisoning on Nov. 11 with the taped statements by Tamal? "...is the poison in the milk?" and "The poison's going down..."

Toxicology and pathology experts will explain specifically on what 10 months of 16 ppm cadmium would do to an 81 year old with vulnerability to diabetes and kidney weakness. *These levels are unprecedented and lethal over that amount of time*. Srila Prabhupada was definitely maliciously, homicidally poisoned with sky-high levels of cadmium at levels of toxicity and morbidity that would kill an ordinary man much quicker. *Cadmium levels this high only occur when one is given cadmium chemicals to ingest as a homicidal poisoning*. The question: **Was Srila Prabhupada Poisoned?** has now been conclusively answered: it was clearly a lethal, homicidal, malicious poisoning.

#### ADVANTAGES OF CADMIUM POISONING

No gore. Weak can overcome the strong. No mess to clean up. Mental distancing from the act. Stealthy mechanism. Time to establish an alibi. Anybody is vulnerable. Don't have to confront the victim. Cadmium is virtually unsuspected, an ideal poison. Obtainable without rousing suspicions. Very toxic in small quantities, colorless, tasteless, and odorless. Can be hidden in food or drink. Has a delayed onset of action. Effects mimic many natural diseases. Suitable for cowards.

#### **CADMIUM HAIR TESTS: FACTS SUMMARY**

If not for Krishna's choosing when Srila Prabhupada would depart, we could say Srila Prabhupada was removed by demons. The secretive poisoners' false hopes that a quarter century had dissolved the molecular needle hidden in the chemical haystack has been miraculously shattered by these hair tests. Russia's most famous serial killer admitted at his execution that he never expected the advancement of forensic science by which he was caught. Similarly, Srila Prabhupada's "cold case" poisoning was unexpectedly revealed by Lord Krishna's special arrangement through forensic science. The GBC resolution, "There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada," makes a mockery of ISKCON leadership.

Three tests of Srila Prabhupada's hair in 2002-05 revealed sky-high levels of the heavy metal cadmium from Nov. '76. to Sept. '77, about 10 months, but medical symptoms unique to cadmium poisoning indicate poisoning began in mid-1976, for a total of up to 18 months. Arsenic was secondary. Chronic cadmium poisoning with sub-acute episodes was the methodology. Cadmium levels were "off the chart," clearly homicidal, 250 X the average normal, and are lethal within a short period of time.

# CHAPTER 5: POISONING TIMELINE

ID	Date	Mass	Size	Tested	Source	ARS	ANT	MER	CAD
D	Mar77	.00072	½ cm	3.4.02	Melbrne	0.640	0.661	3.72	19.9
Α	1977	.00064	1-2 cm	4.15.02	DaiviSh	0.200	0.186	5.16	12.4
Q-2	1977	.00012	2-3mm	7.26.05	Clippers	0.85	n/a	n/a	14.9
Q-1	1977	.00130	<2mm	1.6.99	Clippers	2.6	n/a	n/a	n/a

#### POISONING TIMELINE KEY EVENTS AND DATES

Srila Prabhupada's health suddenly and mysteriously began an inexorable, accelerating decline from mid-1976 until late 1977. Dates of the hair tests, their results, and quantities are given above.

We note below the key events in the poisoning timeline:

(1) Suspicions are that Srila Prabhupada's cadmium poisoning might have begun as low level poisoning on May 4, 1976 upon prime suspect Tamal's arrival in Hawaii. After May 1976 we see in Srila Prabhupada the classic cadmium poisoning symptoms: persistent heavy mucus congestion, weakness, no appetite, and nausea. (2) From May to July 1976, Srila Prabhupada had weakness, loss of appetite, heart palpitations, and persistent mucus with cough, cold/flu, bronchitis and rhinitis.

(3) On July 20, 1976 in New York, as Tamal's guest, Srila Prabhupada became extremely ill as he left on a flight to London, lying prostate and seriously ill and weak. For weeks he was quite bedridden and thereafter he walked with great difficulty, partially recovering while travelling without Tamal over the next 7 months in Europe and Asia. July 20 appears to have been a very serious episode of poisoning.

(4) Tamal joined Srila Prabhupada in Mayapur on Feb. 14, 1977, became his personal secretary, and Feb. 26 Srila Prabhupada became deathly ill. The serious July '76 and Feb. '77 health attacks were in Tamal's presence, and he was absent in between.

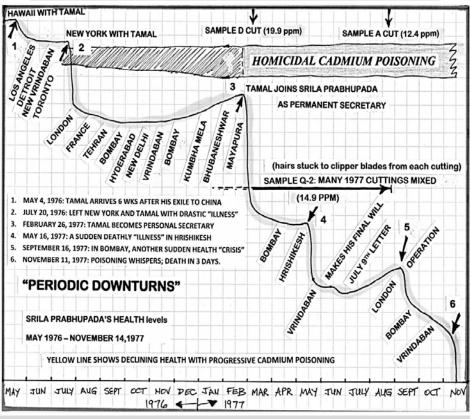
(5) After Feb. '77 Srila Prabhupada no longer went on morning walks, walking at all was difficult, he ate very little. (6) Dr. Morris tested hair *Sample D*, finding 19.9 ppm cadmium. This hair grew from mid-Feb. to early March '77. (7) Afterwards, his health declined steadily, with no appetite, digestion, major weight loss. Mucus congestion was present almost constantly. In March '77 Bhakticharu became Tamal's primary assistant and a nurse-caretaker to Srila Prabhupada. (8) May 7, 1977 Srila Prabhupada felt stronger and he went to Hrishikesh. He began to feel better and eat again. (9) May 16, 1977: His health suddenly,

severely worsened and he rushed back to Vrindaban, thinking to die soon. Another acute poisoning episode. (10) Srila Prabhupada's health languished all summer of 1977, punctuated by minor downturns.

(11) SP did not walk nor eat hardly at all. (12) At the end of Aug. '77 SP flew to London, bedded down flat and he was carried about in a palanquin. (13) Samples A, Q-2 had 12.4 & 14.9 ppm cadmium; both came from SP's personal hair clippers used Nov. 1976 to Sept. 1977, being an average over 10 months. The 3 cadmium tests show  $\pm$  250 times average normal levels. (14) Sept. 8 there was a medical emergency of inability to pass urine; SP had a minor surgery. (15) SP returned to Bombay on Sept. 13, but Sept. 15 brought another health "crisis" and SP was now bedridden. The excessive mucus worsened whenever he eats or drinks anything. (16) Went to Vrindaban Oct. 1; his health is the worst.

(17) Oct. 25-26 he took 3 makharadhwaja doses but then stopped. (18) Nov. 9-10 he said he had been poisoned; his caretakers discussed homicidal poisoning. (19) Nov. 11 there are tape recorded whispers by caretakers about poisoning, and Srila Prabhupada departs Nov. 14.

CHART CORRELATES HAIR TESTS WITH HEALTH HISTORY



#### **EFFECTS OF CADMIUM POISONING**

See Vol. 1: Srila Prabhupada's Triumphant Departure for details on the catastrophic health effects of cadmium poisoning. It is horrific how much Srila Prabhupada was made to suffer. Cadmium targets the kidneys, seen in Srila Prabhupada's health afflictions (Vol. 4). Severe cadmium-induced renal damage develops into chronic renal failure and uremia when dialysis or kidney operation is needed (which was Srila Prabhupada's diagnosis by Dr. Khurana, Aug. 1977). Cadmium-induced renal damage is irreversible with no medical treatment. Srila Prabhupada *clearly had all the symptoms of chronic cadmium poisoning*.

Cadmium is extremely toxic, with acceptable levels *one tenth* that of most of other toxic metals. It mainly affects the kidneys, the cardiovascular system, causes cancer. It has no known beneficial biological function or effect. Cadmium is involved in all of the major diseases of our time, including cancer, diabetes, arthritic syndromes, heart disease, kidney disease, and others. Cadmium replaces zinc in the body, required for over 100 critical enzymes, including those needed for proper immune system activity, digestion, cardiovascular health, etc.

# PART TWO: PRABHUPADA TALKS OF POISONING

In his Vrindaban, India private quarters on Nov. 9-10, 1977, Srila Prabhupada surprised everyone by stating he thought he was being poisoned, which he repeated several time. He and his caretakers engaged in lengthy bedside discussions about his being poisoned with malicious, homicidal intention. These were the "poison discussions." His statements carry great weight and for many are the strongest evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. Since the words of His Divine Grace are of the utmost importance to his followers, who accept his words as absolute, faultless, and truth, they are the evidential foundation of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. The following transcript of conversations are the actual words of Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers, and because they are extensively discussing with Srila Prabhupada about him being *maliciously* poisoned, it is the epicenter of the poison issue. "When a pure Vaishnava speaks, he speaks perfectly. How is this? His speech is managed by Krishna Himself from within the heart." CC Mad 8.200.

The Bhaktivedanta Archives has recently completed their VedaBase translations of all the Bengali and Hindi portions (included below), much of which is between Srila Prabhupada, the *kaviraja* Damodara Shastri,

and Bhakticharu Swami, so the three languages are intertwined. It is the *interpretation of the translations* that are debated, not the translations themselves. E.g., the phrase "*not that I am poisoned*" was deviously extracted out of context and its meaning twisted by ISKCON's GBC.

# CHAPTER 6: SOMEONE HAS POISONED ME

# ESSENTIAL POISON DISCUSSIONS (NOV. 9-10, 1977)

SP: (Beng) Suddenly I fell sick. Everything was all right, I don't know what happened. Is work going on well? Balarama Misra: (Beng) Yes. SP: (Beng) (Someone said that poison has been given... may be true.) Balarama Misra: Hmm? Kaviraja: (Hindi) What are you saying? SP: (Hindi) Somebody says that someone has given poison. Kaviraja: (Hindi) To whom? SP: (Hindi) (To me.) Kaviraja: (Hindi; Time: 07:28) Who told that? SP: (Hindi) All these friends. BCS (Bhakticharu Swami): (Beng) Who said that Srila Prabhupada? SP: (Beng) They all say. TAMAL: Krishna das? (Unknown whispers)...(blowing conch). Kaviraja: (Hindi) Who would give you poison? And why? TAMAL: (Time: 07:35) Who said that, Srila Prabhupada? SP: I do not know, but it is said. (Bells ringing) Devotee whispers: (Time: 07:53-57) ... it's Poison. SP: (Beng) You do know astrology? Kaviraja: (Hindi) What is he saying? Kaviraja: (Hindi; Time 25.15) This thing Maharaja. How did you say today that someone said somebody gave you poison? Did anyone tell or you got some indication somewhere?) SP: (Hindi) No, someone said that these kind of symptoms manifest if someone is poisoned. Maybe there is such a mention in some book. Kaviraja: (Hindi) Yes I know that such things happen if raw mercury is administered. Or there are some other things also which can cause such illness. But who will do such a thing to a Godly person like you. According to me if someone has such thoughts for you then he is a rakshasa/ demon. **INDISTINCT TALKS (break)** Skip ahead in conversations:

# COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE

On Nov. 9, 1977, Balarama Misra, a Vrindaban priest whom Srila

Prabhupada had long known, came to visit. Suddenly, out of the blue, Srila Prabhupada chose this old acquaintance to casually inform that *someone said that he has been poisoned.* Srila Prabhupada had asked the kaviraja Shastri to request Balarama Misra to come see Srila Prabhupada about the Bombay ISKCON temple opening. But he then confided that he thought he was being poisoned. Why did Srila Prabhupada not raise this issue first with his own trusted and intimate disciples? Why did Srila Prabhupada not simply tell Tamal, his personal secretary, or any one of his own disciples? He made this shocking revelation to outsiders first, and then by default, to his caretakers. The tapes were controlled by Tamal, so maybe Srila Prabhupada was trying to bypass the tapes that went missing under Tamal's care (see Vol. 2)?

Tamal had for many months already set up a very tight security cordon around Srila Prabhupada, who was practically quarantined. Most devotees, dignitaries, Godbrothers, and locals were refused entry. Many of Srila Prabhupada's old friends later said they were turned away, e. g., Nrshimananda Goswami, OBL Kapoor, Vishwambhar Goswami, Dr. Khurana, Dr. Ghosh (VRI), etc. Is it any wonder that when an opportunity arose, Srila Prabhupada asked Shastri to bring Balaram Misra and tell him about his poisoning and get the word out to the Vrindaban locals, bypassing Tamal and his own caretakers? This is only logical. Tamal somehow failed to disappear this tape with so much on it.

Did he bring up the poisoning so he could later deny he was being poisoned? (*This is the GBC's ridiculous position.*) He said these things because they were *true and he wanted us to know that he thought he was being poisoned.* That he did not aggressively pursue the matter does not minimize the importance of what he *did* say. Perhaps the purpose to his revelation was to leave the matter to those who would take his words seriously. Srila Prabhupada (1) is talking of actual poisoning, (2) not just the symptoms of poisoning, and (3) he states it three times. We note that there are clearly two unknown persons to which Srila Prabhupada has made reference, namely the *informant* ("someone") and the *poisoner* ("somebody"), neither of whom are identified.

## WHO WERE "ALL THESE FRIENDS"?

Srila Prabhupada referred to an informant who said he was given poison, and the Kaviraja then asked <u>who</u> was saying this. The answer: "All these friends" and "They all say." A logical understanding is that "all these friends" were those who were right there, namely his caretakers. Srila Prabhupada hardly could raise an arm, so he verbally identified those in his immediate presence who said he had been poisoned. Who else could it be but his caretakers ? Or, Srila Prabhupada learned of his poisoning from one of the four kavirajas who diagnosed poisoning in early Nov. '77. One of them (or someone they told) could have told him about their poisoning diagnosis (Ch. 18). Shastri asks, "Who is saying?" -so it was not Shastri who had told Srila Prabhupada. If Srila Prabhupada overheard his caretakers speaking about poisoning, this is like the tape recorder "overhearing" the poison whispers.

First he says "all these friends," but when pressed by Tamal, he says evasively, "I do not know." As seen later, Tamal thought Srila Prabhupada knew who told him about his poisoning, and asked him again. Srila Prabhupada *3 times* stated that he was poisoned (twice, shown above, and again the next morning, Nov. 10). In total he affirms *nine times* he was poisoned throughout the "poison discussions." Why would Srila Prabhupada raise the issue unless he believed it true? He was told that *he had actually been poisoned*, and he says it was possible. The discussion will shift to poisoning symptoms, but the next day he and his caretakers will extensively discuss actual *homicidal* poisoning, referring to rakshasas, murder, court cases, ground glass in food, and so on. As colossal as a revelation of poisoning is, Srila Prabhupada only casually mentioned it and then went on to discuss other things.

## SRILA PRABHUPADA CHANGES THE SUBJECT

After dropping a bombshell, the three further episodes of poison discussions were initiated by caretakers who are curious or worried about the matter. This appears to be the case from the *available* recorded tapes, but it is estimated that 240 tapes went missing in 1977 (Vol. 2). Afterwards, Srila Prabhupada appeared guarded, evasive and reluctant to discuss the matter or reveal his mind further. He chose not to make much fuss about being poisoned, as though he just wanted to plant the seed for a future investigation. Some think this means there was no poisoning. They say Srila Prabhupada would certainly have fought tooth and nail to "protect his movement," all his hard work, and his own body so he could do his service. This argument has unfortunately lured many into thinking that if there was a poisoning, Srila Prabhupada would have stopped it.

But his bringing it up casually may be his acceptance of his imminent departure and reluctance to make a fuss about himself. But, although Srila Prabhupada may have been tolerant of being poisoned, followers and disciples must adhere to the duty of finding the truth and ensuring justice is done. How can we not take his words seriously?

The *kaviraja* returns to the topic of poisoning. Srila Prabhupada then says he was told by someone that he had poisoning symptoms. No one disbelieved Srila Prabhupada's first poisoning statements, which were understood and acknowledged by everyone present. No one tried to refute them, but decades later the GBC does exactly that. Shastri says maybe a rakshasa-demon gave poison. Those present made multiple affirmations and were shocked by Srila Prabhupada's words. Shastri later said, "*There must be some truth to it. There's no doubt.*"

# ACTUAL POISONING PLUS POISONING SYMPTOMS

Srila Prabhupada elaborates that someone said that when poisoned, a person will develop the symptoms of poisoning as seen in Srila Prabhupada's physical condition. Would he have said this if he thought there was no poisoning? Yet the GBC dismisses Srila Prabhupada's poisoning symptoms as being due to diabetes! So far, Srila Prabhupada: (1) earlier stated that someone said that somebody had poisoned him, (2) he now adds that someone said that he had the symptoms of poisoning, (3) and that these poisoning symptoms may be described in some book.

Srila Prabhupada spoke both about *being actually poisoned and having symptoms of poisoning*. Of course, the dishonest GBC ignores the part about actual poisoning, and tries to dismiss the symptoms as due to diabetes or medicines. In other words, no poisoning... Not only did Srila Prabhupada hear about his being poisoned from "all these friends," but he *also* heard that he had the symptoms of poisoning from someone who recognized them. Due to his medical expertise Srila Prabhupada was himself fully qualified to recognize poisoning symptoms. Due to Srila Prabhupada's pre-eminent qualifications as a life-long chemist, pharmacist, medicines compounder, and a supremely empowered, perfected mystic yogi, his own recognition that he had poisoning symptoms *cannot be ignored*. He knew the symptoms and effects of poisons and medicines. "*Srila Prabhupada knew very well the symptoms of all disease; after all he was a pharmacist for years. As far as I could tell, he knew everything.*" (*What Is The Difficulty*, p. 55)

## KAVIRAJA AGREES WITH POISONING AND SYMPTOMS

Shastri, an experienced, highly qualified kaviraja, grappled with the poisoning revelation. That only a demon would maliciously poisoning a saint shows he took Srila Prabhupada's talk of being poisoned most seriously. The GBC rationale that Srila Prabhupada is contradicting his own earlier statements by now qualifying that he was told only of having symptoms is ridiculous. Shastri accepts that there is talk of an actual poisoning, *and* talk of the symptoms. Why talk of demons if he thought Srila Prabhupada was only talking about symptoms or bad medicine? And the reason for having poisoning symptoms would be because of actual poisoning! He did not say he had diabetes symptoms. *Neither should we*. Srila Prabhupada's homicidal poisoning has been irrefutably

# CHAPTER 7: NOT THAT I AM POISONED

TAMAL: Srila Prabhupada? You said before that you... that it is said that you were poisoned?

**SP:** No, these kind of symptoms are seen when a man is poisoned.

He said like that, not that I am poisoned.

TAMAL: Yeah. Did anyone tell you that, or you just know it from before? SP: I read something.

**TAMAL**: Ah, I see. That's why actually **we cannot allow anyone to cook for you. SP**: That's good.

**TAMAL:** Jayapataka Maharaja was telling that one acharya, Sankaracharya, of the Sankaracharya line - this is a while ago - he was poisoned to death. Since that time, none of the acharyas or the gurus of the Sankaracharya line will ever take any food cooked except by their own men. **SP: My Guru Maharaja also.** 

**TAMAL:** Oh. You, of course, have been so merciful that sometimes you would take prasada cooked by so many different people.

**SP:** That should be stopped. *Skip ahead in conversations:* 

## OUT OF CONTEXT PARAPHRASING, TWISTED MEANING

Later on Nov. 9, Tamal questions Srila Prabhupada again. Carefully note Tamal's exact question, since it is to this exact question that Srila Prabhupada will answer. It was all about what someone else had said.

"Not that I am poisoned"-- this phrase has been taken out of context and the wording changed by the GBC, claiming Srila Prabhupada said he was <u>not</u> poisoned. But the GBC's assertion of no poisoning is totally untenable. ISKCON's book *Not That I Am Poisoned (NTIAP)*, in a desperate deception, twists Srila Prabhupada's words of being poisoned: "...the clear and simple fact [is] that Prabhupada himself denied that he was poisoned." NTIAP has deceptively separated the "not that I am poisoned" phrase from the preceding "No, these kind of symptoms are seen when a man is poisoned. He said like that..." The two sentences should be read together to be properly understood. As a test, let's use NTIAP's butchered version:

**Tamal:** Did you say you were poisoned? **SP:** Not that I am poisoned. (This makes no sense: it is grammatically untenable.) Srila Prabhupada explains that: *the informant told him he had poisoning* 

symptoms, but the informant did not say he was poisoned. Taken out of context, "not that I am poisoned" makes no sense as an answer. This is the GBC's dishonesty. They do the same with the May 28, 1977 talks: take out some words and discard the rest. The GBC needs truth lessons, as well as remedial English grammar. Thus "not that I am poisoned" is **not** Srila Prabhupada's declaratory statement of not being poisoned, but it qualifies what was **not said** by his informant.

Another look: [correct meaning in brackets] **Tamal:** SP? You said before that you... that it is said that you were poisoned? **SP:** No, [he said that] these kind of symptoms are seen when a man is poisoned. He said like that, [and he did] not [say] that I am poisoned.

# SRILA PRABHUPADA SAID HE WAS NOT POISONED??

The truth is, Srila Prabhupada never said "Not that I am poisoned" as a statement in itself. If Srila Prabhupada denied his poisoning, everyone would have believed it, but they didn't, and the proof is in their lengthy discussion about murder, poisons, demons, etc. (ConvBk 36. p. 359) Also note: **Tamal:** Ah, I see. That's why actually we cannot allow anyone to cook for you. (Why would Tamal want to stop "anyone" from cooking for Srila Prabhupada? Because he said he was NOT poisoned?)

(1) Shastri said: "...maybe some rakshasa gave him poison. If he says (that) there must be some truth to it. There's no doubt." (He doesn't think there was no poisoning.) (2) BCS said: "He's saying that someone gave him poison. (He doesn't think there was no poisoning.) Tamal: Prabhupada was thinking that someone had poisoned him (He doesn't think there was no poisoning.) BCS: Yes. (he agrees again.) Tamal: That was the mental distress? (Why distress when there's no poisoning?) BCS: Yes. (he agrees again.) No one in 1977 believed Srila Prabhupada said "Not that I am poisoned" as a statement in itself.

## **GBC CONTRADICTORY POSITIONS**

What is supposedly clear to the *NTIAP* author in 2000 was "confusing" to Hari Sauri das in May 1998 when he wrote: "*These* translations and transcripts do in any case reveal a **confusing** scenario. Srila Prabhupada indicates first to Tamal that he had the symptoms of someone poisoned, not that he was being poisoned. Later he states more positively that he thinks he is being poisoned. We may never know exactly what was in Srila Prabhupada's mind..." In 1998 one arm of the GBC says they are CONFUSED, then in 2000 another arm of the GBC says that CLEARLY Srila Prabhupada stated that he was **not** being poisoned. Why can't they get their story straight? This is not the last statement Srila Prabhupada makes on the poison issue. He states the next morning: "*That same thing – that someone has poisoned me*."

#### "MY GURU MAHARAJA ALSO" -- POISONED

**Tamal:** Ah, I see. That's why actually we cannot allow anyone to cook for you. (*Why stop "anyone" from cooking? Why take precautions or worry about cooks if there is no poisoning?*)

**Tamal:** Jayapataka Maharaja was telling that one acharya, Sankaracharya, of the Sankaracharya line - this is a while ago - he was poisoned to death. Since that time, none of the acharyas or the gurus of the Sankaracharya line will ever take any food cooked except by their own men. (Why bring up an actual homicidal poisoning incident if there was no poisoning and only innocent symptoms?)

**SP:** My Guru Maharaja also. (*Bhaktisiddhanta Siddhanta took measures to prevent actual homicidal poisoning.*)

**Tamal:** Oh. You, of course, have been so merciful that sometimes you would take prasada cooked by so many different people. **SP:** That should be stopped. (*Stop accepting food from different sources because there is no concern about poisoning?*)

Srila Prabhupada practically stopped eating after the May 16, '77 health attack. When his sister Pishima came and cooked in Oct. '77, he ate a full meal for the first time in months. He instructed Srutirupa and Pishima to cook for him and let no one else cook. On Oct. 2, he told Kuladri not to allow anyone to cook for him without his permission. *These are three times that Srila Prabhupada ordered restrictions on who cooked for him by choosing cooks from outside the circle of caretakers.* He was trying to avoid the poison being given to him in his food.

Srila Prabhupada states his guru maharaja was also cautious about his food. Bhaktisiddhanta was given an injection by a doctor the day before he departed. *TKG's Diary* (p. 43): "*He had a sentiment that the doctor was paid to kill him.*" Srila Prabhupada said the regional head of police confessed that someone tried to bribe him to kill Bhaktisiddhanta, and also told how his guru made a will on a scrap of paper just before a hernia operation, in case he be murdered by the doctor. He skipped the operation at the last moment. Srila Prabhupada told Brahmananda das that Tirtha Swami had poisoned Bhaktisiddhanta (confirmed by Lalita Prasad who said he saved his brother the first time, but could not do so the second time by Bhaktisiddhanta's own disciples).

"They conspired to kill him. Guru Maharaja told me personally. [...] So he personally told me that 'These people, they wanted to kill me. [...] went to the police officer in charge of that area, that "You take this 25,000 rupees. We shall do something against Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati. You don't take any step."' (SPLecture Feb. 7, 1969)

Tamal pressed Srila Prabhupada four times for disclosure of the

unknown informant's identity, while Srila Prabhupada stalwartly remained vague. What is Tamal really concerned about? Is he worried about a poisoning or who ratted and informed Srila Prabhupada? He wanted to deal with whoever leaked the big secret. He did not seem to care if Srila Prabhupada was actually being poisoned. *He is not concerned about stopping the poisoning*.

See Vol. 2 for the overwhelming evidence that Tamal poisoned Srila Prabhupada.

Srila Prabhupada is now reluctant to discuss his actual poisoning, as he is interrogated by his poisoner. He is very guarded, ambiguous, and vague with Tamal, which is quite telling.

# TAMAL DOWNPLAYS THE POISONING

Tamal was very intelligent, a master politician, and expert at manipulating people, language, and situations. Many times he would *downplay* the significance of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning revelation.

**Tamal's First Downplay: "Just knew it from before":** Doubting whether Srila Prabhupada was *actually* told by anyone that he had poisoning symptoms. It is a downplay of significance.

**Tamal's Second Downplay: Cooking In The Future:** "Oh, let's watch who brings you food *in the future*?" Tamal knew Srila Prabhupada spoke of being *already* poisoned, but he diverts to future precautions.

Srila Prabhupada's health was mysteriously declining for many months, he was on the verge of departure, he could hardly move or speak, he just stated very clearly that someone said that he had been poisoned, and then he also says that he had the symptoms of poisoning. And Tamal talks about precautions with future cooks? How crazy is that? It downgrades the poisoning revelations to something that *might* happen in the future-- but it has *already* happened!

Call the police, call for medical tests? Full alert to all devotees? But Tamal's failure to deal with the true weight of Srila Prabhupada's words points a big finger at himself with his avoidance tactic, diverting to absurd talk of future cooks, which he did not do anyway. Tamal *pretended to miss the point*.

Homicidal poisoning is finally fully acknowledged by all caretakers the next day. Even then, Tamal does nothing!

# CHAPTER 8: SOMEONE GAVE HIM POISON HERE

BHAV (Bhavananda): So what was the cause of that distress?

BCS: (Beng) What happened this morning? Skip ahead

BHAV: Prabhupada was complaining of mental distress this morning also.

**BCS:** Srila Prabhupada? **SP:** Hmm? **BCS** (Beng) What was that problem? Mental distress? **SP:** Hmmm. **Kaviraja:** (Hindi) **Say, say.** 

SP: (Hindi) That same thing – that someone has poisoned me.

BCS: (Hindi) Oh, okay, he thinks that someone....

**Kaviraja** ((Hindi, speaking same time): Listen, this is the understanding that some demon (may) have given (poison)... Charu Swami [Bhakticharu says, "yes"]..some demon has given [poison].

BCS: Someone gave him poison here. Kaviraj: Charu Swami...

**BCS:** Yes. **Kaviraj:** (Hindi) This can happen. It's not impossible. Sankaracharya was there, someone gave him poison. For six months he suffered. There is glass you know? Bottle glass? It was ground and fed in food. What befell him; after twelve months leprosy spread inside his body. Everyone suffers their karma. But the medicine I have given, the poison cannot stay. I give a guarantee, that even if there are effects, they will not stay. Because right now I cannot detect [poison] has been given to him. If it is found that his kidneys go bad, then it could be by sickness or astrological reason or by poison.

TAMAL: Prabhupada was thinking that someone had poisoned him?

BCS (not Adridharan): Yes. TAMAL: That was the mental distress?

**BCS:** Yes. Kaviraja: (Hindi) This is what [he] says, then there must be some truth in it. In this there is no doubt.

TAMAL: What did Kaviraja just say?

**BCS:** He said that when Srila Prabhupada was saying that, there must be something truth behind it. TAMAL: Sheesssh! (Everyone speaking)

**Kaviraja:** (Hindi) **It's some rakshasa... the poisoner...** will put something in pan. What to say... something in milk. To eat, [he] will put a medicine in pan, by the morning [your] whole life can be forgotten.

**TAMAL:** Srila Prabhupada, Shastriji says that there *must be some truth to it if you say that. So who is it that has poisoned?* (then- 13 seconds dead silence-Srila Prabhupada never answers this question)

Kaviraja: (Hindi) The biggest poison is mercury.

BCS: (Hindi) That was Gaya, that which...

Kaviraja: (Hindi) No, no. That was Svarupa Guha. You read about it didn't you, Swamiji? In Calcutta? SP: Hmm.

Kaviraja: Svarupa Guha? BCS: (Hindi) He doesn't know [about it].

**Kaviraja:** (Hindi) Her husband had given it. For it there is no medicine or antidote. Such a heavy dose was given. It's what we call Rashkapoor. **BCS:** (Hindi) No. That mercury was in, the makharadhwaja.

**Kaviraja:** (Hindi) No, no. That's not mercury. It's called by another name. **BCS:** (Hindi) Okay.) **BHAV:** What did he say?

**BCS:** He said that it's quite possible that mercury, it's a kind of poison... **TAMAL:** That makharadhwaja... **BCS:** Rashkapoor?

**Kaviraja:** (Hindi) Aamer Rash. That's one preparation. **It's very poisonous. BCS:** (Hindi) Is that like makharadhwaja?

**Kaviraja:** (Hindi) Makharadhwaja is nectar, although not suitable for him [SP], that's a different story. But that [Raskapoor] is poison for everybody.)

**BHAV:** What medicine was he taking before that? **BCS:** (Hindi) What?

Kaviraja: (Hindi) Nothing. BCS: He was referring to a case, a big murder case in Calcutta, the husband poisoned the wife. BHAV: Guha. Kaviraja: (Hindi) Svarupa Guha... the case is now... BCS: Shankara Bannerjee was...

**BHAV:** Our lawyer is the... (he giggles/snickers: why?)

TAMAL: Bhagatji doesn't think the... Skip ahead

TAMAL: No poison is strong enough to stop the Hari Nam, Srila Prabhupada. Kaviraja: (Hindi) Right. Before the Holy Name... How much poison was given to Mira, a single drop was enough to kill a man. Mira drank it all. Poison when offered to the Lord becomes nectar. **Devotee:** Prahlad Maharaja. **BCS:** Prahlad Maharaja. **Kaviraja:** (Hindi) Halal gave Mira a stronger dose of poison than Prahlad got. It was so strongly made... Like there is one poison in allopathy, even till today nobody can tell the...

**TAMAL:** Would you like some more kirtan Srila Prabhupada? Lokanatha can lead. Lokanatha, you lead. **SP:** (indistinct) **TAMAL:** Lokanatha.

Early the morning of Nov. 10, Srila Prabhupada was very restless, and in great "mental distress" kicked off all his covers, Shastri came and gave some pain medicine. Tamal asks three times what Srila Prabhupada said. He is trying to keep up with the poisoning discussions. Jayapataka can be heard in the background of the tape recording asking, "*What did the kaviraja say about Sankaracharya?*"

**Tamal's Third Downplay: "Mental Distress"** Mental distress characterizes Srila Prabhupada as old, dying, senile, and thus what he says should not be taken seriously, which Tamal later evinces. (Vol. 2)

# POISONING IS AFFIRMED AND ACCEPTED

Explaining the cause of his "mental distress" and restlessness, Srila Prabhupada said: "*that same thing– that someone has poisoned me.*" It was the same thing, that Srila Prabhupada thought he has been poisoned. *The "mental distress" was due to the thought of being poisoned.* An inappropriate phrase, "mental distress," is used. The previous day ended with Srila Prabhupada reluctant to talk about his poisoning, but now talk of actual poisoning resumes. No longer is it "possible." It now is a fact and everyone present is quite shocked and *proceeds to affirm and acknowledge that Srila Prabhupada was saying that he thought he had been maliciously poisoned in an attempt to kill him.* Eleven acknowledgements of malicious poisoning follow, including:

(1) Bhakticharu: "...he thinks that someone gave him poison here." (2) Shastri confirms: "...some demon has given (poison)." (3) Tamal: "Prabhupada was thinking that someone poisoned him?" (4) Shastri: "This is what he says, then there must be some truth in it. In this there is no doubt." (5) BCS: "He said that when Srila Prabhupada was saying that, there must be something truth behind it (6) Srila Prabhupada, listening to all these poisoning affirmations, never corrected them, as he certainly would have if there was no poisoning. (7) Tamal poses his *final* "Who did it" question to Srila Prabhupada. (8) They then spoke of real poisonings- a wife poisoned, Sankaracharya's poisoning.

Srila Prabhupada never said who poisoned him or who told him about it. The discussions are about **who** said there was a poisoning, **not** about **IF** there was a poisoning. They all clearly acknowledged that Srila Prabhupada spoke of actual, malicious, homicidal poisoning by someone trying to kill him. Srila Prabhupada **believed he was poisoned**. He said his poisoning was possible, then he solidified his assertion, and many confirmations of his poisoning were pronounced by those around him.

# TAMAL ACKNOWLEDGES THE POISONING

Tamal's question is now *who did it* (from his earlier "*who said it*"), not if it was done, or who told him. On Nov. 10, Tamal and others acknowledged Srila Prabhupada had spoken of being poisoned. Yet incredibly, the GBC and Tamal adamantly insisted Srila Prabhupada said he was *not* poisoned, so there is no reason for investigation! Although Tamal asserted after 1997 that there was no poisoning, the recordings show he clearly acknowledged the poisoned?" Tamal asked Srila Prabhupada as to who poisoned him. There was a poisoning. Who did it?

## WHY DID SRILA PRABHUPADA NOT ANSWER?

Tamal's grave question resulted in an eerie 13 seconds of dead silence as everyone waited for Jagat Guru to reveal his poisoner. Srila Prabhupada knew who it was, or why ask him and wait so long for an answer? Srila Prabhupada is silent and gives **no** answer. Tamal, always confrontational, seems unconcerned about being named as the culprit. Being the primary suspect, and deemed guilty of the poisoning beyond a reasonable doubt in Vol. 2, it is remarkable Tamal would so brazenly

risk being named as the poisoner. Tamal had no fear that Srila Prabhupada would name him? Was there some sort of blackmail?

Srila Prabhupada knew who did it but did not wish to say and his failure to deny it is another confirmation that he was poisoned. Also: if someone asks you something and you do not reply, it can be that (1) you know the person asking already knows the answer, or (2) you know he is the culprit. Srila Prabhupada's silence subtly hints that Tamal is the poisoner. Perhaps he was silent because he considered it unnecessary, or too late, or he just did not want to disturb the all-redeeming service that his caretakers were still giving, considering their advancement more valuable than his own life. But he obliquely answered Tamal the next day with, "*Ravana will kill, better to be killed by Rama.*"

Divine or Demoniac offers a rationale for no answer: "Pariksit came across the personality of Kali cutting the legs of the bull Dharma. Inquiring from Dharma who had hurt him, Dharma refuses to identify Kali as the wrong-doer... 'Although the bull, or the personality of religion, and the cow, the personality of the earth, knew perfectly well that the personality of Kali was the direct cause of their sufferings, still, as devotees of the Lord, they knew well that without the sanction of the Lord no one could inflict trouble upon them.'" (SBhag 1.17.18 Purport)

This is why the pure devotee would not identify his poisoners. Srila Prabhupada would not say more, for whatever reason. His not speaking further of his being poisoned in no way minimizes or negates his earlier statements. *Rather, it contributes to the mystique of the pure devotee's wonderful pastimes.* He briefly revealed that he thought he was being poisoned, to alert us about it, and then he left the matter alone.

The long silence is broken by Shastri and useless chattering ensues with various speculations, none which was of practical in dealing with a poisoning. It is like someone drowning while spectators debate how it happened rather than making a rescue! This matter is suppressed by the GBC with every cheap trick—why do they want to keep this darkest secret? All the caretakers acknowledged homicidal poisoning; and there is nothing about bad medicine as the GBC today claims.

The Calcutta murder case was known to Bhavananda, who giggled. But why? Because ISKCON's lawyer Bannerjee also represented the murderer Svarupa Guha? He giggles in the poison whispers too. What is so amusing? This is disturbing and very suspicious.

# MAKHARADHVAJA AND DIFFERENT POISONING CASES

Jayapataka earlier told Tamal about the powdered-glass Sankaracharya poisoning, so it is clear that everyone recognized that Srila Prabhupada was talking about *actual, homicidal poisoning*. Why do they today say it was just bad medicine? *This points to guilt, or why be so dishonest*? Not only do Tamal, Bhavananda, Bhakticharu, and Jayapataka discuss various poisoning cases, but they are also the same four men whispering of poisoning the very next day, Nov. 11. One day talking of various poison murder cases, and the next day whispering about the use of poison. *Thus they are the suspects.* 

**Tamal's Fourth Downplay: Makharadhvaja?** Bhakticharu, Tamal try to blame *makharadhvaja*, but Srila Prabhupada was not taking any for weeks. His health decline from Feb. 1977 cannot be explained by 3 doses of a medicine in late Oct. *Tamal is trying to deflect talk of poisoning towards talk of makharadhvaja, bad medicines, as the GBC does today.* 

After the reaffirmations of the poisoning, the talks turn chaotic.

**Tamal's Fifth Downplay:** Finally Tamal has the solution: "*No poison is strong enough to stop the Hari Nam, Srila Prabhupada.*" This is not an appropriate response when one's guru says he is poisoned.

# KIRTAN FOR TAMAL'S PROSTATE CANCER?

When Tamal developed prostate cancer in 1996, he used the best physicians and hospitals for surgery, spending \$500k. But he rejected proper medical care for Srila Prabhupada in 1977, arranging only kirtan, even after Srila Prabhupada spoke several times about being homicidally poisoned. This is medical hypocrisy on the part of all the caretakers. Finally, Tamal hoped kirtan would avoid further poison discussions.

**Tamal's Sixth Downplay: Kirtan**: Tamal urgently puts an end to the poison talks with kirtan. And after the kirtan, nothing was done about the poisoning complaints, no police, investigation, tests, autopsy, not even any more discussion. Chant Hare Krishna and keep poisoning? This is demoniac and outrageous. Srila Prabhupada saw the pretense of his poisoners' false devotion. They totally ignored his poisoning complaints. The next day the poisoning continues, confirmed by the poison whispers.

Tamal was fully responsible for Srila Prabhupada's care, in complete control of the day's events, assisted by Bhakticharu and Bhavananda. He knew the poisoning revelation would naturally lead to he being accountable as the primary suspect, especially in light of his history (Vol. 2). So, if you were Srila Prabhupada's secretary Tamal, you'd call the police and get tests done, right? Or you could end up being blamed, right? Why didn't he do that, as would be logical? This only increases suspicions that Tamal shoved the poison issue under the rug because he was the poisoner. Tamal, Bhakticharu, Bhavananda, and Jayapataka participated in the Nov. 9-10 poison discussions, but they went silent on the subject until 1997 when the issue became public, and

then they made denials blatantly contradicting their 1977 statements.

Even a moron can see the extremely suspicious circumstances here. The GBC covers-up the poison evidence to hide their black history. Did they think Srila Prabhupada was talking gibberish to be politely entertained? Or, as poisoners, were they in a hurry to bury the issue?

As of 2023 ISKCON's GBC, those charged with paying close heed to Srila Prabhupada's every word, still adamantly deny any possibility that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, ridiculing and laughing at the "theory." Srila Prabhupada's shocking revelation generated a short buzz of conversation amongst the caretakers. It is puzzling and disturbing how Srila Prabhupada's senior leaders and main caretaker Tamal did not pursue the matter. No qualified doctor was consulted to investigate Srila Prabhupada's poisoning complaint in the next five days before Srila Prabhupada's departure, nor was any test done, nor even a simple coroner's examination of any kind performed. No local authority, medical professional, or law enforcement was consulted or notified.

Devotees were not told Srila Prabhupada had repeatedly made clear statements about being poisoned. No one did anything, much less try to protect Srila Prabhupada from unknown malicious poisoners. Today many who hear these taped discussions and the lack of response by the caretakers are shocked. The GBC now suggests Srila Prabhupada's talk of poisoning was due to senility, dying hallucinations by one near death which caused him to say things we cannot take seriously. But we don't agree, and neither did the 1977 *kaviraja*. His opinion, as is ours, was if Srila Prabhupada said it, it must be true. Note the clarity of Srila Prabhupada's lucid and focused consciousness during this time.

Srila Prabhupada's statements were ignored and brushed aside, and then lost in the dust kicked up by the mad rush to divide up the world and take Srila Prabhupada's place as the new gurus. (Vol. 5) The pure devotee's words are never false or meaningless. By Krishna's design this truth has re-emerged from obscurity. Srila Prabhupada saying "Someone has poisoned me" beckons each disciple to study the truth of this these divine disappearance pastimes. We should study the complete evidence and be inspired to protect Srila Prabhupada's legacy and movement.

Srila Prabhupada revealed his poisoning but did not name his poisoners. He left it up to us what we will do about it. Faithful followers place great stock in Srila Prabhupada's words, and his statements about poisoning are as important to them than forensics, witnesses, whispers, or all the other evidence. On top of his infallible words, forensic science has irrefutably proven that Srila Prabhupada was maliciously poisoned.

Linking the "poison discussions" with the other evidence of

forensically certified whispers, medical symptoms, NAA hair tests, witnesses, ISKCON history and cover-ups, suspects' denials, etc, then a very clear conclusion emerges. The GBC resolution, "There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada," makes a mockery of ISKCON leadership.

# <u>PART THREE</u>: WHISPERS OF POISONING

(Whispers) SP: Why "phish-phish"? Why not talk? (Oct. 1977)

In late 1997 several Florida devotees discovered background whispers and murmurings on tape recordings made in Srila Prabhupada's quarters, just before his departure on Nov. 14, 1977. Two whispers were quite clear: (1) "The poison's going down... (giggle) ...the poison's going down," and (2) "Is the poison in the milk?" Other whispers also contained the poison or highly unusual words. A series of professional forensic audio analyses were conducted thereafter and these whispers' contents were consistently verified, but the ISKCON GBC dismissed them as imaginary. For those who actually listened with decent audio equipment to the whispers recorded on Nov. 11, 1977, there was practically universal acceptance of a poisoning conspiracy by Srila Prabhupada's caretakers. The GBC members and ISKCON leaders, however, somehow were not able or willing to decipher these whispers.

# CHAPTER 9: ORIGINS OF POISON INVESTIGATION

Rumors about Srila Prabhupada's being poisoned had circulated in ISKCON and in Vrindaban, India, the location of Srila Prabhupada's samadhi tomb, ever since Srila Prabhupada spoke about it just days prior to his departure on Nov. 14, 1977. Rupanuga das remembers the subject arose again in 1980. The *Vedic Village Review* editors heard about it in 1990. In the mid 1990's, Satyaraja das, an ISKCON author, asked his friend Tamal about the poisoning rumors, and was told these persistent rumors arose every so often, much to Tamal's dismay, admitting they

were not new. Partrikananda das documented these rumors and in early 1996 he tried to interest *VVR* in them. Puranjana das, a critic of ISKCON policies, raised the issue in mid-1997, publishing Srila Prabhupada's 1977 statements. Rumors about a poisoning were too radical to believe by most devotees-- until Sept. 1997, 20 years after Srila Prabhupada's departure, when the "poison whispers" were uncovered.

# POISON WHISPERS DISCOVERED

In mid-1997 Naveen Krishna, an ISKCON GBC member, was in Houston when he heard a local radio station was playing a tape recording of Srila Prabhupada's last days which indicated that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, disturbing the local Hindu temple congregation. He ordered a copy of the Nov. 9-10, 1977 "poison discussions" tape and listened to it with headphones. He was shocked, stunned. Badrinarayan and Anuttama, both prominent ISKCON leaders, visited him, and all three listened to the tape, with Srila Prabhupada complaining of being poisoned and discussing it with his caretakers. Badrinarayan said: "*If this turns out to be true, then we are all finished.*" Anuttama agreed the matter must be looked into by the GBC at once.

Naveen listened to the tape again and then heard the poison whispers for the first time. Scores of devotees came to listen to the two whispers. News spread like wildfire amongst devotees worldwide. Isha das, Mahabuddhi das, and Balavanta das (former GBC chairman) also confirmed online that they had found these two principal whispers and other concerning subdued conversation on the last tape of Srila Prabhupada's life. Nityananda das, former temple president: "Nov. 20, 1997: Mahabuddhi called me and described shocking whispers he had found on a tape recording which indicated Srila Prabhupada had been poisoned in 1977. Thereafter I became involved in the effort to uncover the full truth behind Srila Prabhupada's implied poisoning."

# GBC APPOINTS BALAVANTA AS SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR

In Sept. 1997 the GBC Executive Committee made an "emergency" appointment of Balavanta das (William Ogle, attorney, GBC) to investigate Srila Prabhupada's alleged poisoning, including a proper study of these whispers. Tamal, Srila Prabhupada's 1977 personal secretary and a leading GBC/ISKCON guru, called Naveen Krishna, trying his utmost to have any investigation handled internally by the GBC. But it was already underway, funded, and moving forward. The GBC gave \$8000 for Balavanta's costs, but his investigation was axed 2 1/2 years later and superseded by a fraudulent and sham GBC cover-up.

## FIRST PROFESSIONAL STUDY BY A SOUND STUDIO

Balavanta engaged George Blackwell's Soundtrack, Inc of Miami,

who did work for law enforcement and was a prominent sound studio, to digitally enhance the poison whispers and clean them for clarity. Blackwell reported, early Dec. 1997: "...on this tape after cleanup was 'It's not poison in the milk' or... 'It's not poisoned milk.' ...one calls upon other skills besides engineering for this type of work. ...I relied heavily upon my 25 years of experience in musical training and in recording voices for commercials and narrations." He adjusted the pitch, filters and equalizer to obtain a variety of listening conditions. His conclusions were based primarily upon listening with the human ear and did not include more sophisticated or software analytical methods.

Balavanta's initial and only public report in late 1997 stated about the "poison tape:" "...it contains a whisper which refers to poison. This tape was digitally processed for clarity by an independent laboratory in Gainesville, Florida. According to the laboratory technician the following is the probable contents of the whispered statement. ...: 'Let's not (or now) poison him and go' ...We are currently sending the tape to another laboratory with more advanced equipment for further investigation. We will report the results of that study as available."

# MORE POISON WHISPERS FOUND

Isha and Mahabuddhi found 4 damning whispers on the "poison tape." They were: (1) "Is the poison in the milk?" (2) "the poison's going down, (giggle, giggle) the poison's going down" (3) "poison ishvarya rasa... get ready to go" (4) "put poison in different containers." There was some uncertainty about the full whisper contents, but the word "poison" was very clear to most everyone. Nov. 30, 1997 Isha das, very adept with sound recording equipment, reported his own audio study:

"Based on these whispers, it was clear to these devotees that the whispers revealed Srila Prabhupada was poisoned in a conspiracy by his own caretakers. (1). Conv:36.373: After Srila Prabhupada asks to lie down flat: 'The poison's going down.. (giggle) the poison's going down.' (2). Conv:36.373: 'Is the poison in the milk? Um hum.' (3). Conv:36.374: After Srila Prabhupada says, 'Daytime we expose...' -Srila Prabhupada drinks something. (4). Conv:36.391: After Jayapataka says, 'Should there be kirtana?' we hear a Bengali phrase, and then the whisper 'Poison ishvarya rasa.' Srila Prabhupada says weakly and very surprised, 'To me?', then we hear, 'Take it easy, get ready to go,' then... 'The poison's in you Srila Prabhupada.' Then, 'He's going under..."

But to properly hear the whispers, one needed a good quality tape, played in ideal conditions with rapt attention. Many were listening to poor quality third or fourth generation copies. No one yet knew that best was a direct copy of the original from the Bhaktivedanta Archives. In Alachua many devotees went to SkyLab, a local sound studio, to listen to enhanced and "cleaned up" whispers, with excessive background noise removed. The almost unanimous consensus was that *Srila Prabhupada was poisoned in a conspiracy by his own closest disciples*. Naveen met with many GBC members and reviewed the tapes and conversations with them. Without exception, they left very concerned and disturbed.

# NORMAN PERLE'S BUNGLED AUDIO ANALYSIS

Balavanta knew that another ISKCON attorney, Mrgendra das in Los Angeles, had a few months earlier employed Norman Perle (National Audio Video Forensic Laboratory, CA) to study the May 28, 1977 "appointment tape" for any post-recording editing. That "study" was useless and a GBC blunder due to failure to advise Perle that standard procedure in making recorded tapes of Srila Prabhupada's conversations was to turn the recorder on and off. Perle thought the onoff points were suspicious edits, and he never examined the actual points of suspicion where unusual noises and anomalies took place.

Balavanta sent a *poor quality* copy of the Nov. 11, 1977 whispers tape to Perle, whom Isha das called to pinpoint the whispers' locations. But Perle told Isha that he had been asked by Balavanta to study only one whisper on a shoestring budget of \$500. Perle's "one whisper" analysis did not verify any poison words. Surprised, Isha das called Perle again. "I had discussed with Perle about several whispers locations on the tape but when Balavanta received his report there was confusion what Perle had actually analyzed. I called Perle to discuss which sections of tape he was listening to. I could not get a clear answer from him." Balavanta and Isha concluded Perle did not examine the poison whisper locations due to inadequate instructions and the tape's poor quality. This so-called forensic study with Norman Perle was another GBC useless waste of time; the whispers were not even examined.

# **GBC ORDERS BALAVANTA'S SILENCE & LOYALTY**

The GBC then ordered Balavanta into silence at Tamal's insistence. Tamal had become the prime suspect with his unique voice recognizable in the whispers. Copies of Srila Prabhupada's conversations from his last days were circulated, and transcripts of the translated Bengali and Hindi portions. The same tape with the poisoning whispers also had the lengthy "poison discussions" where Srila Prabhupada said three times "Someone has poisoned me," and Tamal asked: "Who is it that has poisoned?" The poison issue was the main topic in the online devotee world. The uproar and commotion was unlike anything seen before in ISKCON.

Mahabuddhi: "Balavanta came to meet us. We were always working as a cooperative team but he said he's now the only investigator." The GBC had silenced Balavanta, to report only to them, and they would decide what to disclose publicly. This was the start of the GBC poison cover-ups, solidified as the poisoning evidence increased. What began as a cooperative effort amongst a group of devotees had now split into two groups: Balavanta's one-man GBC investigation and Rochan's Independent Vaishnava Council (IVC), including Mahabuddhi and Isha. Isha was disappointed: "Balavanta informed me that there was no longer an investigation committee and that he was going to act alone based on the GBC's instruction." The ISKCON website Chakra.org refused to post Isha's audio files and research. The GBC did not like that devotees would be able to listen to the whispers online, even though they were found on tapes from their own Bhaktivedanta Archives.

#### HARIKESH IS TURNED

In Nov. 1997 Naveen asked Harikesh Maharaja, the main ISKCON GBC/guru power-broker of the time, to listen to the whispers and poison discussions, who admitted he clearly heard the whispers about poisoning and that he was very concerned. On Naveen's request Harikesh sent the whispers and poison discussions to the entire COM list (thousands of worldwide devotees emails in Harikesh's control). Harikesh was about to send Balavanta US\$8000 for investigation costs, in addition to the \$8000 sent from the GBC's account, but Ravindra Svarupa dissuaded him. Then Harikesh, intimidated by Tamal and Ravindra, posted online that after listening with "better headphones" he *could not hear* "poison" in the whispers. The institutional cover-ups had begun. Too much was at stake. Harikesh remained mystified why Srila Prabhupada said he was being poisoned and dreamt of Lord Narasimha chastising him for not sending the \$8000. Naveen told him to wait; and these funds never came.

## GBC RESPONDS TO THE POISON CONTROVERSY

News of the poison issue was carried by VNN.org, an independent devotee website, and soon after by two biased ISKCON GBC puppet media websites: CHAKRA and Dandavats. Both websites were secretly orchestrated by Tamal's, who paid the fees and inspired their content and volunteers- it was actually all in his own defense. Thousands checked the "poison issue" news daily. Finally an official ISKCON statement was issued Dec. 7, 1997 by GBC vice-chairman Bir Krishna Maharaja, who said it was "stiffened-up" by Ravindra Svarupa and Mukunda Maharaja:

"Certain conspiracy theorists have been propagating of late the allegation that [Srila Prabhupada] met his demise on Nov. 14, 1977 due to intentional poisoning at the hands of his own disciples. The GBC considers this charge both absurd and offensive. Based on considerable testimony from those present at the time, and on its own preliminary

internal study, the GBC is convinced that no such evil deed or even intention existed at the time. The GBC is certain that Srila Prabhupada's passing away was due to entirely natural causes, as his doctors stated. Some persons have claimed that they heard the word 'poison' whispered on a tape said to have been made in Srila Prabhupada's room.

"Many others, however, find the whispers indecipherable. ... one can read into the whisper almost anything one chooses. ... some persons are bent on establishing the false and malicious theory that some of SP's own disciples conspired to poison him. To refute this charge beyond the slightest doubt, the GBC has given the original tape over to independent forensic experts for detailed analysis. The singular purpose is to lay to rest malevolently motivated theories about SP's passing. According to Balavanta das, head of independent investigation, 'Initial reports from two of the forensic laboratories, both of which used equipment more sophisticated than any previously applied, do not find the word poison on the tape and do not support allegations of any wrongdoing.' It is now clear that the report of taped whispering conspirators is a false alarm. GBC is confident the final forensic report will confirm."

The GBC *never produced any forensic analysis* to invalidate the poison whispers. They now took an official stance of *total denial and cover-up*. Balavanta gave the GBC the bungled Perle study and Blackwell's Gainesville sound studio work (not a laboratory), both of whom had been given extremely poor quality tapes. This GBC denial was eventually contradicted by multiple forensic studies, when the GBC would resort to rejecting audio forensics altogether (*that they had already referred to as having invalidated the whispers!*) Balavanta's initial mis-steps and learning curve was exploited by GBC deniers.

# "MALICIOUS" THEORISTS ARE DEMONIZED

Bir Krishna Maharaja (GBC), Bhakticharu Swami (1977 caretaker, suspect), and Ravindra Svarupa (GBC) issued in another statement Jan. 17, 1998 that they had all listened to the "poison tape," and did not hear any poison word in any whispers. Also, in their opinion, the phrase "poison in different containers" was actually "posing different opinions." (Later forensic studies agreed with this.) They also translated the phrase "kayek din pare asha" to mean "in a few days' time." Thus they tried to invalidate the whisper "poison ishvarya rasa" which follows separately and after this Bengali phrase. This was like Norman Perle listening to the wrong part of the tape, but for the GBC it was not a "mistake." They also had poor quality, fourth hand tape copies.

Tamal, architect of the GBC cover-ups, Nov. 23, 1999: "You can see people got kicked out of ISKCON for taking different positions. ISKCON takes very strong stands; it's quite typical of religious institutions, that they are always trying to identify themselves correctly, to define their positions, by saying who's wrong, ...[they] are **demonized and driven out**, or (chuckling) burned at the stake..." This attitude dismayed all who hoped ISKCON would be open to the truth. Now, one with justifiable and legitimate concerns over Srila Prabhupada's departure was an ISKCON enemy. They denied everything in a public relations smoke-screen cover-up even before any investigation results or completion. The dishonest GBC would keep their Pandora's box of scandals shut with a scandalous 20 year ISKCON history (see Vol. 5).

The GBC lied- they had no findings of "considerable testimony and preliminary internal study" to determine there had been no foul play of poisoning. Balavanta had hardly done anything yet. If ISKCON was to honestly refute the poison issue beyond doubt, Tamal, Srila Prabhupada's secretary and primary caretaker for most of 1977, should have undergone open questioning. In Dec. 1997, Dhanesvara das called Tamal, who refused to discuss the poison issue or answer any questions, deferring to Balavanta's investigation (which he undermined anyway). He said every question he would answer would bring up many more questions (which is why he should have been questioned).

# **BALAVANTA'S INITIAL EFFORTS**

The GBC was already "convinced and certain that Srila Prabhupada was not poisoned," but they were still stuck with Balavanta's continuing investigation which the poison suspects resented. Balavanta had initially been engaged by honest GBCs, but the suspects and their allies moved the GBC elites to deny and cover-up the evidence. Balavanta's investigation was inadequately funded by the GBC, and he donated his time as a busy attorney only when possible. In 1998 he told Nityananda that unless there was some new evidence, such as a witness or smoking gun, his work would finish with an inconclusive report.

He never interviewed any suspects, witnesses, or any devotees with background information (except Dr. Gupta). Jayapataka, Bhavananda, Hansadutta, Satadhanya, Bhakticharu, Adridharan and others were never interviewed. Tamal refused access to his original 1977 diary. He searched for a suitable testing laboratory to do a chemical analysis (which chemical?) of a sample of Srila Prabhupada's 1977 hair. He wanted to test containers from Srila Prabhupada's Vrindaban quarters for traces of poison, even though the whisper was actually "voicing different opinions." His investigation struggled to gain traction- he was just one busy man with a huge task.

#### INDEPENDENT VAISHNAVA COUNCIL

Nityananda joined the IVC team in Nov. 1997 right after the

Independent Vaishnava Council (IVC) was formed by Rochan das, former Seattle temple president: "IVC was formed to investigate statements uttered during Srila Prabhupada's final days, indicating he was being poisoned... a website- harekrishna.com was launched to facilitate a virtual investigative council. The volume of e-mail and incoming calls was overwhelming. ...a number of individuals offered support for the investigation. There was a common sense of urgency to compile and distribute a comprehensive summary of all available facts. The Council began discussing investigative protocol, the philosophical implications, etc. ...members launched an audio CD project, a series of forensic tape analyses, and various inquiries. We were moving forward, and cooperating together to pursue the truth."

And so a team came together to pursue a *private investigation* of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning: Mahabuddhi, Isha, Rochan, Dhanesvara, and Nityananda. They would not wait on Balavanta's slow, GBC controlled work. They would do their own investigation. First priority would be audio forensic studies of the "poison whispers." Although hard to imagine Godbrothers poisoning Srila Prabhupada, it was very possible, in light of the audio evidence and ISKCON's history (Vol. 5). Transcending the GBC denials and Balavanta's secrecy, they would scientifically, forensically certify the "poison whispers" to settle what was in them. Courts accepted audio forensics as a valid evidence.

# CHAPTER 10: PRIMARY POISON WHISPERS CERTIFIED

The GBC claimed that the poison whispers were differently heard by different people, according to their ears and mental predispositions, and they were not clear evidence. But professional audio forensic studies confirming the poison whispers would soon cancel these GBC denials. The science of audio forensics was able to determine speech content *beyond the limitations of human subjectivity*. However, the limits of GBC dishonesty was underestimated. In spite of audio forensic analyses that verified the poison whispers, they continued their charade, calling them in March 2000, "Will-o-the Wisps." "The Whispers Time Waster: Here the imagination finds no reins. Listen carefully and speculate. You, in your own home, can play FBI and catch the bumbling killers surrounding Prabhupada. Hear them blurt out their evil deed. Next you can jump on the internet and vilify the ISKCON leader of your choice." The GBC's *NTIAP* book would also extract words out of context so that Srila Prabhupada supposedly denied being poisoned (Ch. 7), so, if there was no poisoning, how can there be whispers about it? The GBC ridiculed the poison whispers and those who heard them. Why do 99% of devotees hear the poison words in the whispers but no GBCs can? Many top-level audio forensic laboratories would certify the poison whispers after 1998, as seen below. Such is the hypocrisy that even "spiritual leaders" such as ISKCON GBCs and gurus will disregard clear evidence and the words of the Acharya. They concocted apparent flaws in some detail, and then pretend that all the evidence is flawed.

Even normal speech is often contested, so creating doubts about the "poison whispers" was easy. We needed the verdicts of accredited, reputable forensic audio analysts to determine with scientific equipment and advanced technology *what the whispers really were*. If we had expert opinions agreeing on the whispers, this would be solid evidence. The private investigation team would solicit a series of expert forensic audio analyses with multiple confirmations of the "poison whispers."

The GBC elite criticized audio forensics science, saying it was a "voodoo," quack science that is unreliable, and that sounds are only for the realm of human hearing and recognition, and that those who profess expertise in audio forensics are in the same league as fortune tellers, hypnotists, and chiropractors. However, this GBC denial of audio forensics is ludicrous. We now have advanced audio language translators and voice recognition software. In NTIAP, the GBC employed a minor sound studio to review the whispers in 15 minutes and then lied about the results, and claimed they had discredited the science of audio forensics. Audio forensics science has great merit, credibility, and accuracy. There are many organizations of audio forensic specialists worldwide. Some work with law enforcement, or government, or cater to private clients. E.g.,: (1) Intern'l Assoc. for Identification (2) New York Institute for Forensic Audio (3) Audio Engineering Society (4) American Academy of Forensic Sciences (5) American Board of Recorded Evidence (6) American College of Forensic Examiners Institute.

Governments routinely perform audio forensic authentication in their wars on terrorism, crime, drugs, etc. Audio forensics is regularly employed by law enforcement agencies worldwide in pursuit of criminal and civil investigations in court proceedings. The science of audio forensics is an established, credible scientific technology, widely used and accepted. The audio forensic science field relates to the acquisition, analysis, and evaluation of sound recordings that may ultimately be admissible evidence in a court of law or other venue. Audio forensic evidence may come from a criminal investigation by law enforcement or as part of an inquiry into an accident, fraud, slander case, etc.

The primary aspects of audio forensics are establishing authenticity of audio evidence, enhancement of audio to improve speech intelligibility and the audibility of low-level sounds, and interpreting and documenting sonic evidence, such as identifying speakers, transcribing dialogue, and reconstructing crime or accident scenes and timelines. It is Lord Chaitanya's arrangement that science would develop ways to record, preserve, and playback sound spoken by the pure devotee. The Hare Krishna movement could be spread everywhere on this planet simply with Srila Prabhupada's books, but with his voice captured in digital audio files on personal computers and smart phones, it is the same as Srila Prabhupada being there. His coming to the West and modern sound technology are divine arrangements. Digital audio files have much improved clarity that improves the audibility of background whispers.

# AUDIO FORENSICS, ADVANCED SCIENTIFIC METHODS

We wanted to go beyond the subjective human ear. Audio forensics was an extremely diverse and advanced science, as researchers improved equipment, analytical methods, computers, and software that accurately recognize the human voice. Sounds of Speech Communication by JM Pickett and Acoustic Analysis of Speech by Kent and Reed are two older definitive texts on the science of speech. One of the oldest tools used in speech recognition is still unexcelled in definitive identification of spoken words, namely the Wide Band Voice Spectrograph. The spectrograph clearly presents the complex harmonic structure of the English language's 40 voiced phonemes. The voice spectrograph (a printed sound "picture") displays one phoneme after another, providing an image of each word, with a similar pattern regardless of the accent, cadence, and peculiarities of any voice. Unlike the human ear, the spectrograph is fully objective in identifying spoken words. Voice spectrograph analysis accurately determines even barely audible whispers with a confidence level of greater than 90% and has been used for decades by law enforcement and as court evidence. The whispers' true content could be determined by combining human interpretation with analysis by advanced technology and spectrographic image charts.

# MITCHELL'S AUDIO FORENSIC ANALYSIS

Mahabuddhi located Jack Mitchell with Computer Audio Engineering (CAE) in New Mexico. Nityananda bore almost all the expenses for investigative work thereafter. Mitchell had an extensive sound laboratory, and an impressive resume and credentials with 30 years working with sound, music, and recording arts. A third generation copy of the T-46 "Last Tape," was sent to Mitchell, as the need to get original copies from the Bhaktivedanta Archives was not yet understood. The whispers' locations were carefully detailed. To get an objective analysis, Mitchell was given no information on the poisoning controversy. After a week, Jack Mitchell called to advise: "You should be arranging for legal counsel," as he had found a poison conspiracy.

On Jan. 26, 1998, the first audio forensic report came with \$4600 in costs, with 13 spectrographs (5 color) of the whispers, went into *Someone Has Poisoned Me (1999)*. CAE's report included confirmation of all of his findings by Dr. Helen McCaffrey, a certified Texas audiologist with Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Texas Christian University. "*During signal analysis and dialog decoding, nine hours of consultation was done.*" Two whispers had been verified containing the word POISON. Whisper #1 is from p. 373 ConvBk 36, Nov. 10, 1977. Srila Prabhupada: "*Hmmm. You make me flat,*" and then, in the background, Mitchell's analysis ascertained a person uttering softly a long, two part whisper to be:

# "PUSH REAL HARD, ITS GOING DOWN HIM. THE POISON'S GOING DOWN"

Mitchell had a low quality tape copy, and so Whisper #2 about poison in the milk was not confirmed, but it was certified with many other experts. Whisper #3 is in ConvBk 36.391, Nov. 10, 1977. Someone in Bengali speaks "kayek din pare asha," meaning "in a few days' time." *After that* Jayapataka Maharaja (*definitely* it is his voice) says, not a whisper but in a full but distant voice: "POISONING FOR A LONG (TIME?)"

Immediately after this, was faint background speech:

# SP: TO ME? VOICE #2: THAT'S REALLY ORIGINAL. [...] GET READY TO GO.

Srila Prabhupada's betrayers were informing, mocking him on the verge of death that they had been poisoning him all along. CAE also analyzed the "containers" whisper which takes place Nov. 11, 1977 (ConvBk 36.380). Balavanta and others thought Tamal was saying, "*Put poison in different containers*." The GBC said this was: "*we're voicing different opinions*..." The word opinion was used just a little earlier in a discussion whether to go on parikrama or not. And Mitchell confirmed the GBC's version, proving the objectivity of audio science.

And there were new discoveries. Just before this, Tamal was found by CAE saying: "WE KNOW HE'S TRYING TO TRAP US." And: "HE'S AS SLY AS THEY COME." This fits in with a secretive plot, not loving caretakers. It seems Tamal knew that Srila Prabhupada knew they were poisoning him. Was there a some kind of contest of wits with Srila Prabhupada? These poison whispers can be clearly heard online by a simple web search. Listen to them. There was a poison conspiracy; the certified whispers confirm it. Mitchell also noted many other secondary whispers.

Whispering was common in Srila Prabhupada's room in 1977, perhaps because Srila Prabhupada's hearing had become so poor. But the superior German UHER technology captured them and audio forensics ascertained more than the human ear could. These secondary whispers were isolated and studied by CAE, some of which also verified by Isha and Mahabuddhi's personal audio research.

SUMMARY OF CAE WHISPERS: WHISPER: 00:57: "GOING DOWN." WHISPER #1: 02.10 "POISON'S GOING DOWN, (giggle, giggle) THE POISON'S GOING DOWN." WHISPER #2: "IS THE POISON IN THE MILK? UH-HUH" Tamal: "WE KNOW HE'S TRYING TO TRAP US" Tamal: 21:25... "HE'S AS SLY (SLAY) AS THEY COME." WHISPER #3: JPS:"POISONING FOR A (long) time" SP: "TO ME?" (squeaky voice) JPS: "Get ready to go." Voice: "You're taking it right now." Soft elder voice: "How's this?" Voice: "Let it go." WHISPER #4: "It's said... It's poison..."

Following primary poison whisper #3 are disturbing secondary whispers; they come late on the last tape. Jayapataka Maharaja says to Srila Prabhupada in his distinct nasal voice "...poisoning for a long time." Srila Prabhupada's weak, high-pitch, wobbly response, "To me?" is heartbreaking. "Get ready to go" fits right in with a final poisoning, as does "You're taking it right now" and "Let it go." Most audible is the poison word and "To me?" Many devotees have heard all this quite clearly. You are taking poison right now? This does not sound like a voluntary assisted suicide like Tamal claimed in his mercy-killing interview. These last whispers do not sound benign at all.

The primary and secondary T-46 whispers are supportive of a *poisoning conspiracy*, and add significantly to the audio evidence. Srila Prabhupada's final poisoning is indicated with his poisoners heartlessly betraying him in his last hours. *Srila Prabhupada expired about 24 hours later, as best as can be determined.* With the poison whispers, Srila Prabhupada saying he was poisoned, the caretakers talking about poisoning, the hair tests, and all other evidence, how can the GBC say there is no evidence? The whispers themselves are enough.

Early on, Mahabuddhi repeatedly mentioned his suspicion that the poison tape's sections seemed to be out of chronological order. He thought the "*Get ready to go*" episode was actually the very last of Srila Prabhupada's room conversations, with Srila Prabhupada given a final

lethal dose and told "poison ishvarya rasa" or" poisoning for a long time." If so, why is this followed with more room conversations? Research found several 1977 conversation tapes were not accurately dated. Was "Get ready to go" when Srila Prabhupada entered internal consciousness on Nov. 13, not Nov. 11 as the tape is marked. Misdating of tapes is examined in Vol. 1. The UHER is in the ISKCON Bangalore's Vrindaban Prabhupada Museum. The SONY recorder is in ISKCON Vrindaban Prabhupada Museum. Total CAE costs came to \$16,000.

# **TESTING FOR TAMPERED TAPES**

In Jan. 1998 Mahabuddhi left the team, encouraging Nityananda to continue, who contemplated further forensic analysis with Jack Mitchell and other experts. Ever since the "appointment tape" of May 28, 1977 was first circulated underground amongst devotees in the mid-eighties, first with differing transcripts, then as actual tapes, there was suspicion it was edited or tampered. This tape had a conversation with Srila Prabhupada on who would initiate devotees after his physical departure. Devotees noticed clicks and strange noises on the tape, and many wondered if it had been spliced, if sections had been rearranged, or pieces were deleted to change Srila Prabhupada's actual words. The tape seemed incoherent in places. It was decided that CAE analyze the May 28, 1977 and Nov. 11, 1977 tapes for "edits." Just as there is great consternation regarding the ongoing GBC-approved editing of Srila Prabhupada's books, if his sacred words on tape could also not be trusted, then what was left? It would be like the Bible, with current editions vastly changed from an unknown original.

Direct copies of the two tapes' originals were sent to CAE from the Archives. We finally understood the need for direct copies, called "DAT." Nityananda discussed with Mitchell the technical differences in spectrographic signatures of a start-stop compared to various types of illegitimate edits. Magnetic tape edits can be made by (1) over-recording, (2) "punching in" electronically, or (3) the old-school razor blade butt-splice. Magnetic tape editing was not like today's "cut and paste" digital, on-screen computer editing. Magnetic tapes were repaired or edited with cellophane tape, cutting out or adding in physical pieces. Mitchell spoke of differing "ramp times" created by start/stops on different recorders. He could differentiate between stop/start points and editing points. Each recorder makes unique "signatures" on the magnetic tape, with its unique functions of pause, auto reverse, internal vs. external mike, fast forward.

To make a truly definitive analysis, we needed the actual tape recorders used May 28 and Nov. 11, 1977. After much endeavor, the original Uher cassette tape recorder that Hari Sauri das used to record Srila Prabhupada in 1977 was located to be with Puru das in NYC. Tamal gave it to Puru around 1978 and it was the most likely recorder to have made the two 1977 tapes we wanted to test for edits. Nityananda asked Puru to speak with Mitchell, and the UHER was sent on loan. Would this UHER's unique footprint signatures match those on either the whisper or appointment tapes? Were the anomalies on them due to edits and tampering? There was also a small silver SONY cassette recorder used in India when the UHER was unavailable or not working, now on display in Srila Prabhupada's Vrindaban quarters.

By Archives policy, original tapes "do not leave the Archives without one of the Archives directors watching every second it is out of the vault." A DAT copy was sent to CAE early March 1998. CAE experimented with combinations of the UHER functions to replicate the "anomalies" identified on the two tapes, to determine if they were produced by tampering or normal operations. The anomalies were fully reconciled as normal. No evidence of tampering or editing was found on both the appointment tape or poison tape. Mitchell reconciled all the "anomalies" on the poison tape: it was not edited, with some conditions:

(1) The Nov. 11 "poison" tape *was* made by this UHER. (2) The May 28 tape *was not* recorded on this UHER cassette recorder (likely made by the Sony) (3) The May 28 tape had no evidence of tampering, only had stop-start points, no irregular anomalies, no unexplained areas. *No anomalies were in the area of the critical "appointment" discussion.* 

Later Jack Mitchell noted that the certainty of no editing or tampering on the two tapes was only about 80%. Final certainty could only be achieved if the <u>original</u> Archives tapes were tested by a "fluid magnetic development" process. He said such a test does not affect or damage the tape, but Parama-rupa (Archives) thought it could potentially harm the original, and thus would not allow it. Hopefully in the future this question will be resolved by further analysis and tests.

# JACK MITCHELL CAE STUDY REVIEWED

On Feb. 12, 2000, Naveen Krishna interviewed Jack Mitchell of Computer Audio Engineering (CAE), to review his extensive study on the poison whispers in early 1998. Due to the GBC's denials of the whispers evidence, Naveen wanted to clarify certain aspects of CAE's study and about the science of audio forensics, and to address GBC propaganda that audio forensics was a voodoo science. Some key points were made:

(1) "Past clients are various agencies of the US Dept. of Justice and that includes the DEA, US Attorney's Office, the Civil Rights Division. There have been municipal law enforcement agencies, public defender's office, attorneys countrywide, insurance companies, and individuals who just need answers. A lot of the work is enhancement of the recording so that it is intelligible so they can get official court transcripts." (2) "We do waveform and spectrographic signal analysis, and magnetic tape development. We look at the tape under high magnification."(3) "We do **speech decoding**. We use spectrographic, but a spectrogram does not tell us what is said. The conclusions are based on the combining of an aural sense, a visual sense, and the technical data that is presented by the spectrogram. Just like a multiple side analysis."

(4) "The software is very high quality analysis software. For the spectrogram I use two analysis programs."

(5) "But what is really important is the knowledge and skill of the investigator. This is important beyond a certain level of equipment."

(6) "Mr. Hooper [GBC agent] called me and expressed his opinions. Regarding "the poison's going down," he said what he hears is "the boys going down." Then he called me again to say now he is absolutely certain it is "The swelling's going down." But that doesn't make any sense."

**Comment:** So much for the GBC's Mr. Hooper's vain efforts at innocuous explanations, desperate to find some plausible alternative to the poison word. He was so sure about boys, then changed his mind.

(7) "Analysis data and oral perception indicate it is 'poison's.'"

(8) "Tamal's Jewish Bronx accent does not change the results."

(9) "To overcome the "auditory illusion" phenomenon, one needs forensic specialists with scientific tools, methods for a vastly more accurate diagnosis. Segment 4 ["POISONING for a long time"] is very clear."

**Comment:** In 2017, after Jack Mitchell passed away, the GBC found that ACFE, who had granted his certification of forensic examiner in 1984, was selling some fraudulent licenses in 2014, 16 years *after* Mitchell's whispers study. The GBC then declared this was proof there were no poison whispers and so there is no evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned.

# CHAPTER 11: FURTHER AUDIO FORENSIC STUDIES

#### JP FRENCH, UK

Balavanta das had solicited a study in 1998 from a prominent audio forensic firm in the UK headed by Dr. J. P. French, who had been referred to him as being perhaps the world's foremost expert on audio forensics. Naveen Krishna sent *a fourth generation, degraded-quality copy* of the poison whisper tape T-46 to Dr. French, not realizing the difference that a superior-quality, first generation or direct DAT copy would make. As a result, in their Aug. 25, 1998 report, JP French was only able to verify whisper #2, as being "**it's not poison...**" The JP French report was made public Mar. 5, 2000. Balavanta was surprised that all three whispers could not be verified by such a prominent firm, as they seemed quite clear to most devotees. He asked Dr. French to check his findings again, but on the same poor quality tape recording that he had supplied earlier, and there was no change. Naveen notified the GBC Feb. 23, 2000 just prior to their annual meetings, and before the submission of Balavanta's investigative report, advising why the JP French study was deficient. Of course the GBC ignored this.

Dr. JP French did confirm "(?) it's going down, (?) it's going down" in whisper #1, and the poison word in whisper #2. Dr. French partially confirmed the poison whispers, and, significantly, he did not contradict the results found by other studies.

# **OWL INVESTIGATIONS: POSSIBLE HOMICIDE**

In March 2001 Nityananda sought another top-notch audio forensic specialist to study the poison whispers; for further confirmation. He located a highly reputable audio forensic investigator with substantial experience in law enforcement and courts: Tom Owens at Owl Investigations in Colonia, New Jersey. A DAT tape of T-46 was sent to Tom Owens *directly* from the Archives. Nityananda sent him a copy of *SHPM*, a tape transcript, the locations of the three different poison whispers. The \$2500 fee for Tom Owen's work was pooled from various devotees. Naveen Krishna communicated with Tom Owens to ensure a proper analysis. On Aug. 1, 2001 the brief 2-page but very concise and powerful results arrived. Tom Owens verified *ALL* three whispers as clearly having the poison word, another major confirmation.

# WHISPER #1: "I Swear All Of It's Going Down (laughing) THE POISON'S GOING DOWN."

### WHISPER #2: " IT'S NOT POISONING."

WHISPER #3: " POISON..." [from "poisoning for a long time"]

His conclusions and summary: "There is conversation about poison and the use of it. In my opinion there is certainly basis for further investigation. Exhumation would settle the issue, although I am told that it is against religious beliefs. A forensic toxicologist and homicide investigator should be consulted. Based on my training and experience, the word poison is clearly audible and intelligible in several instances."

# FBI ANALYST CONFIRMS WHISPERS

In 2003 Nityananda read a CNN story about several government specialists who were selected to test controversial content on one of the Richard Nixon tapes, and he chose one of these super-forensics labs to examine the three main whispers: JBR Technologies in Virginia. After speaking for an hour with James Reames, he hoped JBR's research would lift the whispers' studies to a higher level. Nityananda was impressed with his abilities and techniques; he was a frequent contractor for FBI and CIA projects, and for 30 years had been an FBI audio forensics agent before going into private business. He was a true highlevel audio expert. Reames was very interested in our whisper certification project. Nityananda sent a \$3000 deposit.

Reames, like Mitchell, wanted the Uher tape recorder and asked if he could get the original tape from the Archives. The "Final Days" video of Srila Prabhupada where he is dictating his Bhagwatam commentaries into a large UHER microphone, showed it was the mother of the poison discussions and whispers tapes. Meanwhile Puru had sold the UHER to Jayanta das. Jayanta agreed to loan the UHER to Reames for tests and inspections. Reames said he could verify 100% if there were any edits, while Mitchell was only 80% certain.

Meanwhile Nityananda arranged with Parama-rupa das at the Bhaktivedanta Archives to personally bring the original T-46 tape to Reames' lab for a day of tests while he watched to guarantee the safety and integrity of the tape. The Archives' trustees thought it was in their interest to establish what was actually contained on the tape, as a matter of history and archival documentation. On July 23, 2003 Parama-rupa brought the original tape to Reames' lab. Reames performed various tests and inspections of the tape and was given a CD of the Archive's transcript of the tape. Reames made a copy of the tape utilizing all of his techniques for assuring the least loss of quality. Reames requested pinpointing exactly which areas we wanted him to study within a new time-stamped transcript which he had his assistants write up. Nityananda finally received JBR's final report by email dated Feb. 1, 2006.

It took 30 months to coax Reames to complete his report. To study the whispers, Reames made a better copy from the Archives original than the Archives could make, and he enjoyed using his tech skills and equipment. He described his physical examination of the original tape, how he repaired and did tests with the UHER, and he sent photographs. *But he never looked for any edits despite this being a primary objective.* His hype about finding secret signatures and tracks and whether the Archives tape was edited or not proved *to be all hot air*. Although Reames stated that the original recorder and tape recording could help him discover information that was not possible to uncover otherwise, he gave *nothing in that connection*. *Still, Reames did confirm two whispers*, the main thing hoped for. His essential report:

Examination Of The Six Whispered Statements: (Tape Side A):		
NUMBERLIN	<u>NE</u> TIN	ME <u>SPOKEN WORDS</u>
1:037-042	02:10	THE POISON IS GOING DOWN.
		Laughter It's really going down.
2: 059 - 062	04:23	THAT'S NOT POISON IN HIS MILK. Uh-Huh.
3: 133–134	07:35	Do it now. Night time.
4: 617-618	27:43	Who is this Prabhupada's talking about?

Later the UHER cassette tape recorder, that made the "Last Tape" or poison whispers tape, that immortalized Srila Prabhupada's words in his last months and days of physical presence with us, changed hands again. It is a UHER CR210 Stereo, type 1642, serial #33955. Radha Govinda Vedic Charitable Foundation acquired it but then donated it to ISKCON Bangalore's Vrindaban Prabhupada Museum in 2018. JBR confirmed two principal poison whispers but never fulfilled his work promise to analyze if the tape had been edited or tampered with.

# **OTHER STUDIES**

Since JBR's study in 2006 there have been other non-professional studies of the "poison whispers" by various groups of devotees worldwide. A group of ex-ISKCON devotees in Europe concluded with advanced software and audio equipment that the three poison whispers were about malicious poisoning. In 2015 Naveen Krishna arranged for a legal affidavit including enhanced audio files from Isha das on the results of his latest study of the whispers using more advanced software technologies and equipment. Isha, very experienced and proficient in audio technology, having also processed hundreds of Narayan Maharaja lectures, again confirmed his findings from 1997-8. Srila Prabhupada's caretakers were definitely softly speaking about a homicidal poisoning.

Countless devotees worldwide have carefully listened to the poison whispers, now easily available online, and invariably agree on their contents. Of course, ISKCON GBCs still cannot hear them! As such the GBC became known as the Governing Body of Cheaters due to their obvious dishonesty and corruption. The dishonest deniers, namely the GBC, ISKCON gurus, and suspects are contradicted by the devotees and audio forensic specialists. The whispers evidence strongly supports Srila Prabhupada being poisoned, and when joined with the other evidence, it is irrefutable. The hair tests were the final nail in the coffin of denials.

The poison whispers now constitute solid and legal proof that caretakers in Srila Prabhupada's room were discussing his poisoning. It can be taken that these whispers were arranged by Lord Krishna, as the testimony of the Supreme Truth. How can anyone doubt that Tamal, Jayapataka, and Bhavananda were "whispering about poison and the use *of it*"? Only ISKCON institutionalists with ulterior interests deny that the whispers are certified evidence that establishes the conspiracy to poison Srila Prabhupada. (See Vol. 2, 3) See Ch. 31 for the Truth Labs study.

# FINAL DOSE THE DAY AFTER THE POISON WHISPERS

Finally, after 10 months of chronic poisoning had reduced Srila Prabhupada's health to the brink of extinction by Nov. 1977, a final dose was administered, clearly indicated by the forensically confirmed, tape-recorded murmurs-whispers about poisoning Nov. 11, 1977. As protocol, a tape recorder was routinely left on in Srila Prabhupada's room to capture all his words of wisdom. These "poison" whispers were also captured and have been repeatedly confirmed by audio experts to contain the word "*poison*." The confirmed poison whispers are: (1) JPS: "Poisoning for a (long) time..." (2) Tamal: "The poison's going down... (giggles) the poison's going down" (3) Tamal: "Is the poison in the milk?" Bhav: Uhhuh. (Srila Prabhupada then is heard drinking milk.)

Significantly, after Srila Prabhupada said several times, "Someone has poisoned me," (Nov. 9-10) and his caretakers extensively discussed homicidal poisoning (Nov. 10), the very next day certified poisoning whispers occur (Nov. 11) on tape recordings. The poisoners became alarmed that Srila Prabhupada had discovered them. The chances of several separate poison whispers, out of thousands of days, popping up on the very next day after the "poison discussions" is next to zero. It was not coincidental, but due to Srila Prabhupada's dropping the bombshell that he thought he was being poisoned. The poisoners rushed to finish their deed. Srila Prabhupada (about whom Tamal whispered: "He's as sly as they come") was wise to them. Was it a coincidence that the caretakers, after discussing homicidal poisoning and acknowledging Srila Prabhupada was very distressed about how he had been poisoned, that they did nothing and just ignored and dropped the matter, and then whispered about poisoning him the very next day? The statistical probability of these three coincidences three days in a row is next to zero. Think about that.

# **REVERSE SPEECH REVISITED**

SHPM (1999) included two chapters on "reverse speech," a method of playing voice recordings in reverse to hear cryptic messages as to the truth of the speaker's true intentions. There is some evidence that reverse speech can reveal a speaker's state of mind. Dhanesvara das introduced reverse speech in 1998-99 to others on the team. He studied with David Oates, pioneer of the reverse speech method, had experience with the technique, and did evaluations of recorded conversations in 1977 of senior devotees with Srila Prabhupada. He convinced Nityananda to include his findings in SHPM. But in retrospect, this was a mistake. Reverse speech is an *unverified method of discerning the truth* in recorded speech. The GBC ridiculed the "reversals," using them as a platform to portray all the poisoning evidence as humbug. The GBC contacted David Oates, who then re-analyzed these "reversals" and found some to be "inconsistent" or "bogus." However, he confirmed seven of Dhanesvara's reversals and half agreed with others, all of which clearly referred to poisoning and malicious intent by Srila Prabhupada's assistants. In *NTIAP* Oates confirms the accuracy of 7 speech reversals:

"The worst was just you kill," "Aye Govinda," "I kill the prophet," "Fail upon arsenic," "Heavy metal, that milk," "He create a sick pa," "They've made your dying problem." The GBC use of Oates to discredit the idea of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was actually counter-productive as he actually confirmed a heavy metals poisoning by speech reversals. Somehow the GBC did not notice this. "The CIA has published the theory of Reverse Speech, quoting my book, Hidden Messages in Human Communication. It has recently been declassified. This vindicates 34 years of my life's work! [...] It appears they have been using it all this time... Yours, David J. Oates

Regardless, confirmed reversals or not, this technique is an insufficiently accredited method for use in determining facts. *It was a mistake to confuse and distract from the real evidence*. However, methods to ascertain truth (e.g., Certified Voice Stress Analysis- CVSA) based on proven technology are widely used by law enforcement. PTC conducted several initial CVSA tests of Tamal, Bhavananda, and Jayapataka and found extreme deception in their recorded conversations from 1977 (Vol. 2, 3). This kind of study should be continued.

# SUMMARY OF ALL AUDIO FORENSICS TO 2023

The forensic laboratory and sound studio audio studies are many. See Ch. 31 for the new, major forensic study done by Truth Labs.

WHISPER #1: "THE POISON'S GOING DOWN, (giggle) THE POISON'S GOING DOWN" (Speaker: Tamal, by his own admittance, but he claimed he said "The swelling's going down") The following all agree on the above or a similar version- all agree on the poison word:

(1) Naveen, Balavanta, Mahabuddhi, Isha, many others (2) JP French Assoc., 1998 (confirms "going down") (3) Jack Mitchell, CAE, 1999 (4) Dr. Helen McCaffrey, 1999 (5) Tom Owens, Owl Invest's, 2001 (6) JBR Technologies, VA, 2006 (7) Major Forensic Lab: 2023

Tape location: ConvBk 36.373, just after "You make me flat." Side A Tape T-46, 1:55 minutes.

## WHISPER #2: "IS THE POISON IN THE MILK?... UH HUH"

(Speaker: Tamal's) The following all roughly concur on the above; all agreeing on the poison and milk words: (1) George Blackwell's Sound Studio, Miami, 1997 (2) Skylab Studios, Gainesville, 1997 (3) Naveen, Balavanta, Mahabuddhi, Isha, and many others (4) JP French Assoc., UK, 1998 (5) Tom Owens, Owl Investigations, 2001 (6) JBR Technologies, Virginia, 2006 (7) Major Forensic Lab: 2023

Tape location: ConvBk Vol. 36.373.22, just after Jayapataka says: "Like to follow the same treatment, only while traveling." Side A Tape T-46, 3:20 minutes. A few minutes after this is the whisper, "*Is the poison in the milk?*" -and at 1:30 PM on Nov. 10, 1977, BCS gives Srila Prabhupada hot milk to drink. Srila Prabhupada said it was too sweet after BCS asked if it was too hot (only milk is hot; not juices or water). Obviously the whisper is about poison in the milk that was given.

WHISPER #3: "POISONING for a (long) time" (Srila Prabhupada replies weakly: "To me?") (Speaker: Jayapataka's unique voice is clearly recognized) The following all agree on the above or a similar version, and all agree on the poisoning word. (1) Naveen, Balavanta, Mahabuddhi, Isha, and many others (2) Jack Mitchell, CAE Studios, 1999 (3) Dr. Helen McCaffrey, Ph.D., 1999 (except for "long") (4) Tom Owens, Owl Investigations, 2001 (5) Major Forensic Lab: 2023

Tape location: ConvBk Vol. 36.391.4, after Srila Prabhupada says, "Yes" – and Hansadutta begins a kirtan, Side B Tape T-46,  $\pm$  21 min.

WHISPER #4: "IT'S SAID... IT'S POISON" Major Lab: 2023

# PART FOUR: MEDICAL EVIDENCE

Srila Prabhupada's medical symptoms do not prove his poisoning, but close examination of those symptoms does *confirm* the poisoning that is proven by forensic hair tests. Further, Srila Prabhupada's 1977 physical symptoms do not correlate to diabetes or kidney disease (showing the GBC denials of any poisoning to be wrong again), although both caused and aggravated by heavy metals or cadmium poisoning.

## CHAPTER 12: SRILA PRABHUPADA'S MEDICINES

### MAKHARADHVAJA TAKEN 3 TIMES, NO SERIOUS REACTIONS

According to **Prakruti: Your Ayurvedic Constitution**, by Dr. R.E. Svoboda, "Anyone who wants to use mercury for rejuvenation must be sure that it has been properly prepared... The quantity of mercury in any one pill is very small thanks to the processing procedure known as Bhavana... Makharadhvaja (MKD) benefits all sorts of acute diseases."

Srila Prabhupada took one dose of *MKD* Oct. 25, 1977 and 2 doses the next day, then discontinued it. Tamal and Bhakticharu (BCS) took charge of all his medicines. On Oct. 26 Srila Prabhupada said the *MKD* was "*not acting*," on Oct. 27 he had diarrhea with no other ill effects. Some may think *MKD* contributed to his debilitated health, but with only 3 doses taken, that is hardly possible, neither would it explain his health decline from the previous year.

## CARETAKERS SEED "POISON" WORD INTO DISCUSSIONS

In Srila Prabhupada's conversations we hardly find any mention of the word "poison" previous to Oct. 1977, but then suddenly it was used often by caretakers, and, as a result, Srila Prabhupada also. Why? It was used in reference to medicine or infection, but not actual poison. Discussions were peppered with "like poison" or "poisonous." This seems to be a deliberate *seeding* of the poison word into conversations, to blur the difference between "like poison" and the real poisoning. Effectively, all future talk of poison could then be blamed on "bad medicine." The inter-substitution of the words poison and medicine was peculiar. This seems to have been intentional, to obscure the real poisoning, to create confusion if it was suspected, describing medicine as poison, as a clever distraction from the actual and secret poisoning.

This use of opposites is strange: (1) ... "poisoning," referring to the blood, pus in urine. (2) "If the devotees are staying away, it is not because you are poisonous. It is because we are poisonous." (3) "That medicine turned out to be poison." (4) "...it had turned to poison." (5) "...the MKD, which had proved poisonous." (6) "drinking poison." (7) "poison to him." (8) Srila Prabhupada also called MKD "poisonous." (9) "you said that it was poison. SP: Yes. [...] taking poison." (10) SP: So dead body, you take poison or ambrosia, it is the same..." (11) Ameyatma recalled: "When Baradraja returned from India (in 1977), he told us also that SP said the MKD was poisoning him..."

## THE DEEPLY FLAWED "MEDICINE IS THE POISON" IDEA

ISKCON poisoning deniers have repeatedly argued "the medicine was the poison" that Srila Prabhupada spoke of Nov. 9-10: (1) "When referring to poison, Prabhupada was merely hypothesizing about the possible effects of improper medicine. The symptoms could resemble poisoning, he noted." (NTIAP) (2) "Soon after the arrival of the MKD Srila Prabhupada started to speak about poison. Therefore it seemed to me that he was speaking about the adverse effect of MKD." (NTIAP) (3) BCS's book Ocean of Mercy says the talk of poisoning was due to the bad effects of the MKD. (4) Tamal curiously interchanged the words poison and medicine in both his two final pastimes books (1988, 1998).

Today the GBC deceitfully claims that when Srila Prabhupada spoke of being poisoned on Nov. 9-10, 1977, he was only referring to the *MKD* medicine from Oct. 25-26, 1977. They insist Srila Prabhupada could not have been poisoned maliciously by **any** of his own loving disciples, and **therefore** any talk of poison in 1977 **must** be about previous medicines with adverse effects that were "*like poison*." Disinforming parties have posited that when Srila Prabhupada said "Someone has poisoned me," this was in reference to the ill effects of the 3 *MKD* doses he took a full two weeks earlier. But the *MKD* only caused a day's moderate diarrhea, and "**the medicine was the poison**" false theory does not match the facts.

How does talk of adverse medicinal effects Oct. 25-26 relate to the Nov. 10 talks, *two weeks later*, of murder, rakshasas, homicide, lawyers, ground glass in food, and restricting Srila Prabhupada's cooks? The two things have *nothing to do with each other*. It was 14 days since *MKD* was taken, the diarrhea had ended 13 days earlier, and Shastri's new herbal program was 10 days old. By Nov. 10 the *MKD* was old history. In Tamal's Nov. 1977 taped interview he claims Srila Prabhupada asked for "medicine to die." But it is poison that kills and medicine that cures. Why did Tamal, et. al. use these words interchangeably? The current GBC also deceives that medicine was poison. Srila Prabhupada, being a medicine compounder, pharmacist, and realized pure devotee, would know if medicine 2 weeks earlier was poisoning him. Instead, on Nov. 9-10, Srila Prabhupada stated, "*Someone has poisoned me*" (medicine is not someone); *he did not speak of medicine being poison*. Speaking about being poisoned on Nov. 9-10 does not refer to the *MKD*.

Why did Tamal ask "<u>Who</u> is it that has poisoned?" "Who" is not a medicine. Why did Srila Prabhupada not just say he was poisoned by medicine if that was what he was talking about? Reading the "poison discussions" it is clear Srila Prabhupada was not speaking on Nov. 9-10 of medicine as being poison, yet the GBC tries to promote this. The caretakers in 1977 acknowledged Srila Prabhupada was speaking about a

homicidal poisoning in a discussion of murders, criminal cases, poison in food, rakshasas. Unfortunately many have never read these conversations and yet they make assumptions woefully contrary to the facts. To explain the "poison discussions" the GBC makes *MKD* a scapegoat.

The theory that "Someone has poisoned me" (Nov. 9-10) refers to the negative effects of medicine on Oct. 25-26 (or bodily toxins that had built up over the years) makes no sense, meant only to deceive. Connecting the two incidents is dishonest, a scam trying to cover-up the poisoning. Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers spoke about homicidal poisoning. Why, if it was bad medicine? Srila Prabhupada said he heard others speaking of how he was being poisoned, which makes no sense if he was talking about medicines. The discussions were clearly about intentional poisoning and not about adverse medicinal effects. Srila Prabhupada did not say, "Something has poisoned me," or "The medicine has poisoned me." This subterfuge strongly implies complicity in the very same poisoning they are covering up.

### TIMEWISE, MKD CANNOT EXPLAIN POISONING

*Timewise*, the *MKD*, taken Oct. 25-26, cannot explain the steady drastic health decline that Srila Prabhupada underwent from July 20, '76 or even from Feb. 26, '77. *Poisoning is not retroactive*. Srila Prabhupada's health was fully deteriorated by cadmium poisoning when he took the *MKD*, which has no cadmium content, and could not result in lethal cadmium poisoning months before it was taken? Hair *Sample D* was cut in early March 1977 with 19.9 ppm cadmium, so how can Oct. medicine with mercury put cadmium in Srila Prabhupada's hair many months prior? So, the *MKD* was not the poison he spoke of.

## NO POISON IN MAKHARADHVAJA TEST BY GBC

Was the *MKD* donated by the notorious Chandra Swami (Vol. 3) tainted with poison? Could this explain the poisoning? Actually, the GBC tested the 1977 leftover *MKD* by X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry in Australia on Jan. 6, 2000. Strangely, the GBC failed to note that **no** *poison was found*. Their own test disproves "the medicine is the poison" theory! The *MKD* had no detectable mercury, arsenic, cadmium, and primarily had iron and traces of aluminum, sulfur, zinc, copper etc.

Also, we note that Satadhanya and Adi Keshava witnessed a highly reputable compounder of medicines take 48 doses of individually paperwrapped packages from a large stock jar, in the front of a clinic full of clients. Chandra Swami had arranged to pay for the medicine, but he was away in south India at the time (Vol. 3). Further, this already prepared *MKD* was intended for another client, but some was given for Srila Prabhupada in deference of his spiritual status. *Thus it was very unlikely*  to be poisoned medicine. The "medicine is like poison" explanation may sound good to one who doesn't know the history, but it is rubbish.

Anything Srila Prabhupada ate or drank as food or medicine could have been tainted with poison, so why focus on the *MKD*? Tainting something more innocuous and regularly consumed, e.g., water, fruit juice, or milk (as heard/seen in the whispers) would be far less awkward. This was not like the CIA trying to smuggle poisoned chocolates into Fidel Castro's room. The caretakers had full access to all that Srila Prabhupada ate or drank, so why bother tainting the medicine that came from outside rather than the milk? Chandra Swami is more to be suspected for supplying cadmium to the poisoners who put it in the milk, than for somehow remotely supplying poisoned *MKD*.

### MKD IS NOT THE POISON PRABHUPADA SPOKE ABOUT

In Feb. 2002 Bhailal Patel, president of National Fed. of Indian American Associations: "It is clear to me, by hearing the available tapes of the room conversations of the time, that His Divine Grace referred to the said poisoning as a deliberate act of somebody poisoning him, not in the sense of some toxic side effects of medicines. When we met in Alachua ...nobody present had any different understanding after hearing the tapes and seeing the translations, than that Srila Prabhupada was raising the topic of somebody intentionally poisoning him."

Saying Srila Prabhupada spoke of bad medicine is a cover-up tactic by the GBC. If the GBC really were honest, why don't they just test a Srila Prabhupada tooth or hair sample that they have in their possession?

## YOGENDRA RAS AND HEDGES SNUFF

In 1997 Balavanta obtained from Hari Sauri das three small glass vials of medicine pellets from Srila Prabhupada's Vrindaban quarters, and had them tested by the National Medical Services in Pennsylvania for cyanide and strychnine (a stab in the dark). The results were negative. Balavanta's report in March 2000 included these test results. Yogendra Ras is pinkish pellets (unlike *MKD*, a deep red powder), an Ayurvedic medicine made from gold, iron, tin, purified mercury, sulphur, silica, and pearl. Srila Prabhupada took it for years until late 1976. In Apr. '77 (vials are dated Apr. 16) he resumed til June 1977; Oct. 7, '77 he began again. It treats diabetes, frequent urination, urinary tract, and many health conditions. There is zero cadmium in *MKD* or in Yogendra Ras.

Srila Prabhupada sometimes used Hedges menthol snuff for congestion or "to defeat brain fag." Srila Prabhupada rarely took snuff in 1977 when he did less translation work. Doubtful it was tainted with cadmium, but some of it is now at a museum in Vrindaban (do a test?)

#### **CADMIUM-TAINTED MEDICINE?**

*MKD* is made with gold, sulfur, and mercury, and sometimes with musk, pearls, and mica. *But cadmium is never an ingredient in MKD or in any other Ayurvedic medicine*. Cadmium has no biological benefit, as it has no medicinal properties in small amounts like arsenic and mercury do. Srila Prabhupada's catastrophic cadmium levels cannot be explained as coming from medicines and can only be due to malicious, homicidal poisoning. The hair tests show massive poisoning by cadmium, and not by tiny quantities of mercury found beneficially in *MKD*. Dr. Morris' five hair tests all showed normal mercury, even in those with high cadmium. Srila Prabhupada's cadmium was "off the chart" and could only come by a deliberate malicious poisoning intended to kill.

The medicines that kaviraja Shastri gave were all natural herbal tinctures. Srila Prabhupada's health began a dramatic decline from mid-1976. *There was no deadly medicine* taken consistently during this time. The flawed "bad medicine" theory is bunk. Also, how can a variety of medicines, taken sparsely and mostly herbal or Ayurvedic, kill someone?

## CHAPTER 13: GOOD HEALTH, INEXPLICABLE ILLNESS

## **ONLY MINOR INCONVENIENCES UP TO MAY 1976**

Srila Prabhupada was in very good, strong health until mid-1976. He was energetic, went daily on super-brisk morning walks lasting a good hour or more where even his youthful disciples had difficulty keeping up, he ate his meals heartily, slept only 2-4 hours a day, worked constantly to expand his mission, and so on. For his age at 80, he was literally superhuman in endurance, outdoing and amazing his students. He had a rigorous schedule of travel, engagements, meetings, writing, and managing a worldwide movement. Srila Prabhupada had some minor health problems, as anyone would at 80, such as occasional swelling of hands and feet, occasional high blood pressure, common colds, or occasional indigestion after eating a difficult food. He managed these minor inconveniences deftly with diet and a few basic Ayurvedic medicines and they did not slow him down. This good health was described by Melbourne temple president Balarama das (Aug. 2017):

"Srila Prabhupada visited Melbourne April 19-25, 1976, before going to New Zealand and Hawaii. Apart from being tired from the long plane ride from India, Singapore, Sydney to Melbourne, he was in very good health and we would accompany him on his usual brisk morning walks. As the Temple President, I had the opportunity to have some close association with His Divine Grace while serving him for a week. During that visit, he gave classes every day, was very vibrant, talkative and was visited by many important people. I mention this, as the visit was only a little over a year prior to his departure, and there was absolutely no reason at the time to suspect any problems with his health."

### PRABHUPADA'S PERSONAL SERVANTS: SRUTIKIRTI, HARI SAURI

Testimonies from Srila Prabhupada's personal servants follow:

Sruta Kirti: "I was not even aware of Prabhupada's diabetes." "Srila Prabhupada never spoke to me about any chronic problems, such as kidney ailments or diabetes. I massaged him daily and never saw any swelling of his hands or feet."

In a 1997 ISKCON response to the "poison issue": "We asked Hari Sauri, who, apart from being with Srila Prabhupada from Nov. 1975 until March 13, 1977, was also with His Divine Grace for almost three weeks in late May to early June 1977, and all of Oct. in Vrindaban, about Prabhupada's attitude towards his disease and curing it."

Hari Sauri, 1998: "During the whole period I was with Srila Prabhupada I <u>never once</u> heard him mention that he had diabetes, nor did I notice that he ever made any specific changes in his diet in response to that condition. Nor did I ever hear the cooks that traveled with us at various times (Harikesh, Nandarani, Sruti Rupa, Jamuna, Palika, Arundhati) mention that they were preparing any kind of specific diet for him to counter that condition. As far as medicines go, he also never took anything for the treatment of diabetes. When I was with him he took some Ayurvedic medicines, none for diabetes"

These two testimonies solidly establish that diabetes and kidney problems were not apparent, mentioned, discussed, nor of any concern while Sruta Kirti and then Hari Sauri were serving Srila Prabhupada from late 1972 until Nov. 1977. There were a few gaps in 1977 while Hari Sauri was away in Australia from March 13-late May (2 months) and June-Oct. (4 months). But if diabetes had developed by Oct. 1977, Hari Sauri would know about it, and he does not. *We can safely say that diabetes and kidney disease were not known health problems 1972-1977*. Srila Prabhupada's personal servants were unaware of any diabetes or kidney problems from 1972-77. But in 2016 Hari Sauri contradicted his 1997 statement that diabetes and kidney disease were unknown in 1977:

"NTIAP is quite thorough in its examination of the evidences and the conclusion is very clear and correct. Combined with my own personal experience in traveling with HDG for 18 months and ... Oct. 77, I have not, and there should not be for anyone, a shadow of doubt that Srila Prabhupada's body expired due to renal failure, a culmination of years of diabetes and exacerbated by a blockage of his urinary tract which caused a backup of uric acid and put pressure on his kidneys."

Hari Sauri came to this new conclusion *after* his 1997 statement, *not from his 1977 experiences.* Nityananda wrote him again in May 2017 with news of the cadmium in the hair samples that he had arranged to test, but he was not interested, only irate that he had been tricked into providing information. The GBC contradicts the above testimonies and deceitfully claims these ailments were well known in the 1970's and were the direct causes of Srila Prabhupada natural death. But... at worst, diabetes and weak kidneys were a very minor inconvenience, and not were *not* the cause of death. Instead, he was lethally poisoned.

Srila Prabhupada said in Feb. 1977 that he had "a little diabetes," but he had a very strict, controlled diet and *was not insulin dependent* as is typical in advanced diabetes. He never experienced any diabetic emergencies or "incidents" like insulin shocks, diabetic coma, even in his last days after his poisoning had apparently brought on diabetes and kidney problems. His serious edema (swelling) was obvious in 1977, but his diabetes and kidney problems are undocumented and not quantified, although repeatedly mentioned by doctors and kavirajas.

However serious or advanced his diabetes was in 1977, which is unknown, it would be *due to the cadmium poisoning*, which causes diabetes and kidney failure. There are no known doctor's quantitative assessment of Srila Prabhupada's diabetes or kidney ailments that were derived from blood or urine tests at any time. If there ever were any such records, none are known or available today. So, the GBC statements about Srila Prabhupada having advanced diabetes and kidney disease are just a cover-up of the massive evidence of a malicious, sky-high, and lethal cadmium poisoning. If not for being poisoned, Srila Prabhupada may well have lived with his "little diabetes" and weak kidneys for another 20 years. He could have stayed as long as he liked, and he did.

The GBC claims it was well-known by everyone that Srila Prabhupada had advanced diabetes in 1977. But this doesn't add up. If this was true, why are there no discussions about it in any recordings, letters, biographies, memories? Why are there no medical records? Why did Srila Prabhupada, his caretakers, and all his doctors/kavirajas go on looking for what was the mysterious cause of his illness, if they already knew that it was just diabetes? Why did Srila Prabhupada and his servants vigorously undertake so many cure programs for a mysterious illness based on a myriad of diagnoses other than diabetes? Why was there no managing of diabetes with diet, insulin, or a diabetes doctor? Only two months before Srila Prabhupada's death did a London doctor suspect diabetes and kidney disease, but this "news" never entered into the conversations or treatment programs afterwards. Why? Because most kavirajas and doctors had other ideas as to the cause of ill health. Because there were so many diagnoses, they were all incorrect. Nobody in 1977 thought diabetes was causing the dramatic health decline. Heavy metals poisoning is known for causing this confusion.

## CADMIUM POISONING RESEMBLES COMMON DISEASES

Srila Prabhupada may have had some degree of diabetes and kidney weakness prior to 1977, seen in occasional swelling of extremities (dropsy/edema). Whoever master-minded Srila Prabhupada's cadmium poisoning probably knew that heavy metal symptoms closely resembled those of many common diseases and would be next to impossible to discover or even suspect. At www.toxnet.nlm.nih.gov it cautions "persons with kidney disease may be hyper-susceptible to cadmium (compounds) and should be excluded from exposure." Cadmium was a clever choice, hinting at professional advice or involvement. Tamal was very intelligent and knew about arsenic poisoning in 1970. Bhakticharu studied chemistry at university. Thorough investigation of the scene and circumstances, consideration of medical history, and comprehensive toxicology testing, are key to poisoning detection. This was not done during Srila Prabhupada's prolonged, mysterious, and persistent illness. Only basic urine tests were done, e. g., for infections or diabetes.

### VRINDABAN MEDICAL DIARY

Oct. 17, 1997: an email from Hari Sauri das described a 1977 medical diary that would be valuable to the investigation into the circumstances of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance. Each day Srila Prabhupada was given unspecific "medicine" by BCS. Srila Prabhupada took milk, Horlicks, water, pomegranate juice, grape juice, whey, barley milk, and sometimes solid food like sweet rice, avocado, rasagula, papaya, or a bit of lunch. *Tamal and BCS took care of all medicines*.

### DIABETES AND POISONING CAN BE SIMULTANEOUS

In Vol. 4 a daily account of Srila Prabhupada's health and medical history from May '76 to Nov. '77 is given, with his and his caretaker's responses to a worsening, unexplained health crisis. A brief summary: **1976**:

5.4: *Health Decline:* Tamal visits, SP ill; weak, heart palpitations6.23: New Vrindaban; weak, heart palpitations, indigestion, cold, mucus7.9: SP arrives in New York as Tamal's guest for Rathayatra

7.20: Health Crisis: Very ill; vomit, edema, weak, cannot eat or walk 8.2: SP recovered enough to eat and walk a little at France farm 8.27: SP in Bombay, still weak with poor digestion for many months 1977: 1.13: *Health Decline:* Very ill, Kumbha Mela; weak, edema, mucus 1.19: SP arrives in Bhubaneshwar; weak, indigestion 1.26: SP collapses in Puri due to leg weakness 2.10: SP collapses in Navadwip due to leg weakness 2.14: SP in Mayapur; Tamal arrives, soon becomes permanent secretary 2.26: Health Crisis: Deathly ill; fever, pain, vomit, cannot eat/walk, weak, moaning, stays in quarters, barely recovers a little in coming weeks 3.10: His condition worsens, cannot eat or digest, becomes weaker 3.13: Hari Sauri leaves; Bhavananda and Upendra replace him 3.22: SP arrives Bombay for pandal program; cannot walk without help 3.31: SP moves into his new rooms at Juhu temple 5.8: SP goes to Hrishikesh for health recovery in cool climate 5.16: Health Crisis: Hrishikesh: Suddenly becomes very ill, returns Vrindaban to die, now he is carried in a palanguin, needs help to go to toilet 5.17: SP prepares his will, starts making final arrangements 5.28: SP instructs GBC about ritviks to initiate on his behalf 6.5: *Health Decline:* After GBCs leave, another health downturn 7.9: SP chooses 11 ritviks, signs & sends "Final Order" letter 7.12: SP calls for Bonamali kaviraja to tend to his health treatment 7.25: Abhiram starts as SP 's nurse, assistant (until Oct. 16, 83 days) 7.27: Health Decline: SP 's health takes another turn for the worse 8.25: *Health Decline:* SP becomes very ill, just before travelling 8.27: SP departs for London and the West, bedridden, very weak 9.8: Health Crisis: Surgery: urine blocked; hospital, minor operation 9.13: Health Crisis: SP's health worsens, he returns to Bombay 10.2: Health Decline: SP returns to Vrindaban thinking his end is near 10.16: Dr. Ghosh and Dr. Gopal treat SP for kidney infection, etc 10.22: Dr. Gopal rejected; SP has dream of Ramanuja kaviraja's MKD 10.26: SP takes Chandra Swami's kaviraja's MKD 2-3 times, then stops 10.28: DP Shastri arrives, begins SP 's final treatment program 11.9: SP says he heard someone saying someone has poisoned him 11.10: SP says again someone has poisoned him, but nothing is done 11.11: Final Dose: Whispers: "Is poison in the milk?" "Poison's going down" "Poisoning for a long time..." "Get ready to go." 11.13: SP enters internal consciousness around midnight 11.14: SP departs from this mortal realm at 7:25 pm. MISDIAGNOSES, CONFUSION OVER A MYSTERIOUS ILLNESS

Re: Srila Prabhupada's reluctance to eat, drink for months, how he said he was being poisoned, Goldfrank's medical advice is interesting: "...if homicidal intent is suspected, patients should be advised against accepting food or drink from anyone. Visitors should be closely

monitored and outside nutritional products should be forbidden."

No one in 1977 (and until 1997) could say exactly what was the cause of Srila Prabhupada's illness in his last year. Universally, amongst ISKCON devotees for decades, it was a *mysterious illness*, without a description or name. "In the first 20 years after Srila Prabhupada's departure, no one I ever spoke to, many hundreds of devotees, including leaders, equals, or rank and filers, ever articulated anything about the cause of Srila Prabhupada's final illness. It was just a big blank." (Thomas Getterly, 2020) Yet, with the dawn of the poison issue in 1997, the GBC suddenly were knowledgeable experts on Srila Prabhupada's departure, that it was due to the natural causes of diabetes and kidney disease, but with only some frail memories as their "proof."

However, in 1977 this mysterious illness confounded all devotees and GBCs, all the doctors and kavirajas, and seemingly Srila Prabhupada as well (until Nov. 9-10, 1977 when he stated he thought he had been poisoned). As Srila Prabhupada's illness worsened in 1977, there was a *bewildering parade of doctors and treatments*. There never was any conclusive diagnosis from a qualified doctor, based on proper medical tests (if there were any). There were many *misdiagnoses*: heart palpitations, liver/kidney problems, diabetes, dropsy, exhaustion, asthma, old age, indigestion, etc. Symptoms were cited as diagnoses. It was a mystery illness that grew progressively worse with anemia, indigestion, no appetite, weakness, and constant "colds," mucus, cough, raspy voice, chronic bronchitis (these are classic heavy metal poisoning symptoms).

Srila Prabhupada began to lose his vision and light pained his eyes. Reading the health history, the search for a cure was urgent, constant, and frustratingly evasive. No one could figure out why Srila Prabhupada was "ill" or what to do about it. Forty doctors and kavirajas were consulted with endless treatments undertaken (chart below). The theme in 1977 was searching for a cure for Srila Prabhupada's illness (*whatever it was*). Everyone kept looking, and this was not because any diagnosis for Srila Prabhupada's illness was known, as the lying GBC claims today. *If they knew what the illness was, why did everyone in 1977 keep trying to find a cure* for Srila Prabhupada's health crisis? Why were so many treatments tried and rejected? No one knew what the illness was!

Note the confusion in Satsvarupa's ISKCON In The 1970's: (1977)

(1) ... because his disease was fatal- he couldn't eat, so his body was finished. (May) (2) ... his sickness, which prevents him from eating, will cause his departure. (May) (3) ... he is very ill; his body has "run out," he is going to die. (May) (4) News that SP is feeling better. (June 17) (5) SP is "worse than ever" in ill health- dropsy. (Aug. 4,) (6) New word is

that he is "even worse." (Aug. 11) (7) Tamal said that his illness is psychological and subtle. A few days ago he was very bad. (Aug. 17)

(8) Tamal said, "This is one cure you haven't tried-going to the West." [and they tried a lot of cures.] (9) SP said, "I'm disgusted. These kavirajas come, say they will get me well in four days, and then later they say it will take a long time." (Aug. 19) (10) "SP's illness and his relation to it as his disciple was confusing" (Aug. 20) (11) "SP's health is in crisis, "the worst." (Sept. 26) (12) The doctor says he has no particular disease now. He is exhausted. His inner organs aren't working. The body is coming to an end. (Oct. 6) [Another super-vague diagnosis]

Satsvarupa's 6 volume 1983 Prabhupada biography does *not* tell of an illness of diabetes or kidney disease, as is the official ISKCON narrative today, only of old age, travel stress, and "overworked system." If the diagnosis for Srila Prabhupada's illness was so clear, as claimed by the GBC, why was it not stated in his official biography? The GBC diagnosis only became "clear" when they began their denials and coverups of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Even in *TKG's Diary* (1998), no opinion about Srila Prabhupada's 1977 health and medical condition is given except for vague, contradictory, misdiagnoses by 40 doctors and kavirajas, such as "internal fever, "gonorrhea," or "no disease, just weakness," none of which make sense.

Tamal told Satsvarupa in 1977 it was "psychological and subtle." Hari Sauri's unpublished diary for Oct-Nov. 1977 (printed in 2022) contains a similar train of vague ideas as to what the mysterious illness was. *He never mentioned diabetes in this diary*. His five volumes of *Transcendental Diary* which goes to Oct. 2, 1976 also gives no clear diagnosis, only a list of *symptoms* like extremity swelling, indigestion, old age, *never mentioning diabetes*. Even on 100s of tape recordings in 1976-77, we find the same vague descriptions, and nothing on diabetes.

The fact is there never was a clear diagnosis for Srila Prabhupada's health failure. That is, until the discovery of lethal levels of cadmium in three hair samples tested from 2002-05 which discovered the cause of Srila Prabhupada's health failure to be a massive, homicidal cadmium poisoning. All else is false speculation. In 1977 no one understood the cause of Srila Prabhupada's failing health, in spite of many prominent but bewildering symptoms. Only by forensic tests 25 years later was a correct diagnosis finally reached. In 1977 there was only a plethora of misdiagnoses of Srila Prabhupada's "illness."

ISKCON's *diabetes defense* that arose in 1998-2000, after the poison issue appeared, is not a medical diagnosis, it is *at best a theory* based on tenuous, conflicting testimonies and memories, and at worst a

*dishonest cover-up* arising from corrupt motivations to avoid the truth that some ISKCON gurus poisoned Srila Prabhupada. This could quickly end ISKCON's guru regime-- they all received their guruhood from the poisoners who concocted ISKCON's false guru system. Now we see the GBC's desperation with their vigorous denials of the obvious evidence.

What was Srila Prabhupada's specific ailment in 1977 which led to his rapid health decline and passing away? Diabetes, kidney disease, heart disease, plain old age? All of these were accelerated, exacerbated by the now proven, massive cadmium poisoning. None of the biographical accounts of Srila Prabhupada's pastimes, including Tamal, Satsvarupa, Hari Sauri, Sruta Kirti, Vegavan, Giriraj, Abhiram, Srutirupa, and others say that his illness was diabetes. Only *AFTER* the poison issue arose did this become the GBC's explanation! The GBC has little to substantiate their "*diabetes was the cause of demise*" idea, except for vague assertions from the memory of Dr. McIrvine (London hospital). Nowhere can we find any conclusive diagnosis of Srila Prabhupada's 1976-77 illness based on proper medical tests. Vol. 4's health history may be helpful to physicians, scientists, devotees, forensic toxicologists, law enforcement, and investigators.

### WHAT WAS SRILA PRABHUPADA'S "CAUSE OF DEATH"?

The actual cause of death is often difficult to ascertain. There were many factors present at the time of Srila Prabhupada's departure, any of which, from the technical, medical point of view, or as in the proverbial straw that broke the camel's back, could be the "actual cause of death" at the last moment. There was old age, malnutrition, heavy metals poisoning, perhaps kidney or liver disease. One might prevaricate that all of these contributed to death and thus minimize the significance of poisoning. However, the *only abnormal and unnatural factor* was the malicious heavy metal poisoning, a criminal act meant to effect Srila Prabhupada's premature demise. An intentional, malicious, lethal poisoning makes for a premature, unnatural death. Heavy metal poisoning causes, exacerbates diabetes, and kidney-liver-heart disease.

The very discovery of such high levels of cadmium and arsenic *over-rides the significance of all other diagnoses*, forcing them into the background of any analysis. Since a massive homicidal, lethal poisoning has been proven, then of what relevance is debate over other health conditions? That he expired on Nov. 14, 1977 with adverse health conditions is accepted, but the fact of heavy metals poisoning *establishes homicidal intent*, intended to shorten his life. When the GBC claims that there was a natural death and no poisoning, they are wasting our time and insulting our intelligence. As in any poisoning murder, the prior

health problems of a victim are irrelevant. Someone shot in the heart 6 times with a 9 mm pistol... does it matter if they were diabetic or had a weak heart? Homicide is homicide.

There was no autopsy or medical examination done by any government health officer, coroner, or doctor upon Srila Prabhupada's departure. This in violation of Indian law; all deaths must be reported and a cause of death determined by a government coroner. Obviously, complying with this legal formality could have exposed the poisoning. Over 100 days after Nov. 14, 1977, someone went to Mathura and filed for Srila Prabhupada's death certificate, listing a novel cause of death as "heart attack." There was no signature of the petitioner.

If Srila Prabhupada had expired in the West, especially right after saying he was being poisoned, certainly the local coroner would have investigated with tests, and an official autopsy report prepared. But Srila Prabhupada chose to die in Vrindaban, where rules are loose. Why was the death certificate filed so late, by whom, and why was "heart attack" listed as cause of death? "Heart attack" is another misdiagnosis; his heart was strong until the last. *Debate over diabetes became moot* after forensic proof of lethal cadmium poisoning was discovered. Srila Prabhupada was homicidally poisoned regardless of any diabetes he may have had, and a diabetes diagnosis does not negate the proof of poisoning. The cadmium exacerbated the diabetes, while being hidden by the diabetes. Whether or not 2.6 ppm arsenic is a significant health factor is now overshadowed by the lethal levels of  $\pm 16$  ppm cadmium.

## MORE MISDIAGNOSES

Tamal told Naveen Krishna that Srila Prabhupada's fatal illness was dropsy. Dropsy or bodily swelling of extremities is not a disease, it is a *symptom*, due to fluid retention from diabetes, kidney disease, or heavy metal poisoning. Dropsy is a misdiagnosis. Amongst the misdiagnoses offered in 1977 were: (1) Indigestion (2) Asthma (3) No Disease (4) Just Weakness (5) Liver Disease (6) Gonorrhea (7) Malnutrition (8) Diabetes Mellitus Type 2 (Dm2): But the diabetes debate is irrelevant after discovery of sky-high cadmium plus elevated arsenic levels. Arsenic and cadmium cause and worsen diabetes. "Cadmium toxicity exacerbated the destructive effect of diabetes on the peripheral nervous system." "Cadmium is known to cause hyper-glycaemia with diabetes-related complications in experimental animals." "Cadmium increases the oxidative stress induced by diabetes."

(9) Kidney Disease: No one knows which kidney ailments he may have had, due to no medical tests and the complication of cadmium intoxication established by hair tests. Kidney disease can be caused by diabetes, drug abuse, high blood pressure, and also, heavy metals poisoning. Whatever kidney weakness Srila Prabhupada had beforehand then was drastically worsened due to cadmium poisoning through 1977. The two fit together like hand and glove.

But, he had another group of symptoms not attributable to either diabetes or kidney disease. These *extra "mystery" symptoms* are unique to cadmium poisoning. The GBC's debate about any coincidental diabetes or kidney disease is just a distraction from the poisoning crime.

### METALS POISONING ALMOST ALWAYS MISDIAGNOSED

Heavy metals poisoning is very difficult to recognize, and there is an extensive list of possible misdiagnoses from *Goldfrank's Text on Toxicology* that have been documented from case histories. Like arsenic, cadmium poisoning symptoms are extremely generic and non-specific, and are also very difficult to correctly diagnose. Cadmium was certainly a superior choice among hard-to-detect methods of homicide; it went undiscovered for 25 years. These cadmium levels destroyed his health over 10 months, a period of time shown by the hair tests.

## PARADE OF DOCTORS, MEDICINES, TREATMENTS

From February 1977, a parade of doctors, *kavirajas*, misdiagnoses, and many treatments ensued for the next 10 months. This shows a great confusion, *that there was no real diagnosis at all*. One is bewildered by the constant changes of treatments and medicines. One wonders about the unusual nature of Srila Prabhupada's "illness" and his medical care. There was no logic or sense why treatments and doctors were switched, abandoned one after another. Tamal said: "So many doctors and medicines, nothing worked." The poisoners knew the nature of the "illness," but everyone including doctors were mystified why Srila Prabhupada continued to wither away in spite of all treatments.

Yes, in 1977 everyone could see that Srila Prabhupada's kidneys were progressively failing... *but why?* No one knew, otherwise why the continuous search with so many doctors? Symptoms were clear: dropsy, indigestion, anemia, no appetite, constant mucus and bronchitis, weakness, etc. But symptoms are results of the underlying illness, which if not known, then no proper medical remedy can be made. Dr. Morris uncovered the cause of Srila Prabhupada's health failure-- *a massive, homicidal cadmium poisoning,* which would cause and aggravate diabetes and kidney problems, with dropsy, weakness, mucus, etc.

## THE PARADE OF DOCTORS IN 1977

1. Jan. 12	Dr. G. Ghosh of Allahabad	Kumbha Mela		
<ol><li>End Feb.</li></ol>	Dr. G. Ghosh of Allahabad	Mayapur		
Diuretic caused blood in urine				
<b>3.</b> Mar. 7	Bimal Tarka Tirtha, kaviraja	Mayapur		
Ayurvedic medicines, stopped in days, no results				

4. Mar. 26 Dr. Oja Bombay High blood pressure, rest and no strain prescribed New doctor Bombay 5. Apr. 5 Unknown prescriptions but the treatment was rejected Dr. Sharma Bombay 6. Apr. 18 Tried to give injection with pills, SP refused to take Dr Ghosh Kodaikanal Vrindaban **7.** June 4-5 Collapsed organs; recommended dialysis etc; treatments refused Bhagatji's old baba Vrindaban **8.** June 24 Medicine of 45 tree barks, SP took, felt better Bonamali kaviraja Vrindaban **9.** June 12 Milk, cow dung ashes, medicines, 3 weeks: no results Triguna kaviraja/Delhi Vrindaban 10. Date ?? He told Yashoda dasi later he treated SP, details unknown Vrindaban Chief Dr of Delhi Ayurvedic Hospital 11. Aug. 15 Came and left, Tamal rejected him Dr. Khurana Vrindaban 12. Aug. 15 Kidney failure; dialysis at temple; but Tamal declined Bhagatji's local Vaidya Vrindaban 13. Aug. 15 Dropsy, fast pulse; no salt, less strain; no results. Bonamali kaviraja Vrindaban 14. Aug. 25 Some Ayur. Meds; but SP left for London in 2 days Tamal, his own diagnosis Vrindaban 15. Aug. 27 SP illness was psychological/subtle, cure was to preach Dr. Andrew McIrvine 16. Sept. 8 London Kidneys, diabetes, malnutrition; performed circumcision Dr. Kanodia London 17. Sept.8 Courtesy follow-up check-up after circumcision Dr. McIrvine London 18. Sept. 9 More liquids, food, protein, antibiotics prescribed Ram Gopal Vaidya Bombay 19. Sept. 24 Liver/kidney problems; meds, special diet; SP rejected Bonamali kaviraja Vrindaban **20.** Oct. 3-4 Only weakness; diet, Ayur. Meds caused cough, rejected Dr. Kapoor's Vaidya 21. Oct. ? Vrindaban Ordered urine test, Vit. B, breathing exercises, massage, supplements, no results after 10 days, treatment stopped Vrindaban Dr. Ghosh, Kodaikanal 22. Oct. 12 Tamal obstructed his treatment, he left after a few days Bhagatji intervened Vrindaban 23. Oct. 13 Arranged urine test; kidney infection; pills, SP refused Bonamali kaviraja Vrindaban 24. Oct. 15 Gonorrhea type disorder? -treatment rejected Dr. G. Ghosh, Allahabad Vrindaban 25. Oct. 16 Fresh air, protein, posture, urine test, treatment accepted Dr. G. Ghosh & Dr. K. Gopal Vrindaban 26. Oct. 17 Kidney infection/damage; Lassix, meds, liquids, nutrition Dr. G. Ghosh **27.** Oct. 20 Vrindaban After his prescriptions, he left, Dr. Gopal took over Dr. K. Gopal Vrindaban **28.** Oct. 20 Eat, drink more; treatment was continued for a week Dr. K. Gopal **29.** Oct. 22 Vrindaban

Suspected a lung problem, wanted at home X-rays, Tamal rejected Ramanuja kaviraja local Vrindaban **30.** Oct. 22 Kidney, digestion; his ideas & his makharadhvaja rejected Delhi kaviraja gave makharadhvaja Vrindaban **31.** Oct. 25 Self-treatment, makharadhvaja rejected after 3 doses, diarrhea Dr. Damodar Prasad Shastri Vrindaban **32.** Oct. 28 Fresh Ayurvedic Meds to cure kidneys, treatment continued 33. Nov. 1 Dr. NL Gupta consulted Vrindaban Liver problem; prescribed a poison antidote, but not made, given 34. Nov. 7 Dr. D. P. Shastri returns again Vrindaban Kidney problem; new Ayurvedic herbal medicine to make blood 35. Nov. 10 Sri Ramduttji kaviraja came Vrindaban Milk, cough meds, Shastri stays to make fresh medicines Death certificate obtained in Mathura **36.** Feb. 1978 Heart attack listed; an arbitrary misdiagnosis 3 months later 37. At least several other unnamed doctors came, gave misdiagnoses and ineffective treatments: THE TOTAL FOR 1977 WAS 40 DOCTORS.

## CHAPTER 14: THE MYSTERY SYMPTOMS

### NON-DIABETIC SYMPTOMS UNIQUE TO CD POISONING

A careful review of Srila Prabhupada's 1977 physical health symptoms shows that a group of them are not readily reconcilable with Diabetes Type II (DM2), kidney disease, liver disease, heart disease, or anything else suggested by any doctor or ISKCON leader as being Srila Prabhupada's 1977 illness. We list 12 of these "mystery symptoms" below. Of course, the sequelae (complications) of diabetes and renal (kidney) disease could conceivably stretch to include some atypical ailments, but not the entire group of these unique symptoms at once. Although diabetes is a big door through which many consequent illnesses enter, it is highly exceptional that Srila Prabhupada prominently exhibited so many unique symptoms not typical to DM2. These symptoms are, however, unique to cadmium poisoning but not to diabetes or kidney disease. They constitute a dynamic corroboration of the cadmium hair tests. Medical symptom analysis is standard evidence in all deaths under suspicious circumstances, and even if Srila Prabhupada had advanced diabetes in 1977, showing diabetes symptoms, he also simultaneously displayed a set of 12 non-diabetes symptoms, which are unique to cadmium poisoning. They are:

EYES:(1) EXTREME PHOTOPHOBIA/ light sensitive eyesEYES:(2) CHRONIC CONJUNCTIVITIS & TEARING EYES

LUNGS:	(3) EXCESSIVE MUCUS, CHRONIC BHRONCHITIS
LUNGS:	(4) COUGH AND UPPER RESPIRATORY IRRITATION
LUNGS:	(5) LUNG IRREGULARITIES (short breath, pleurisy)
MUCUS:	(6) COLDS, CHRONIC RHINITIS: wet nose congestion
LIVER:	(7) ABNORMAL: weakness, enlarged, diseased
VOICE:	(8) SCRATCHY, HOARSE, husky, gravelly, weak
DROOLING:	(9) EXCESSIVE SALIVATION, DROOLING
URINARY:	(10) URINARY/KIDNEY INFECTIONS/INFLAMMATION/PHIMOSIS
FACE:	(11) EXPRESSIONLESS, colorless, pale, yellowish
MIND:	(12) TEARFUL, SENSITIVE, melancholic, emotional

### SYMPTOMS NOT FOUND IN DIABETES, KIDNEY DISEASE

DM2 is insidious and generally lies hidden. By the time it is diagnosed, often significant irreversible health damage has occurred, typically vascular, heart, neurologic, kidney, or eyesight degeneration. Diabetes can lead to or be associated with a variety of physical ailments: obesity, weakness, dropsy, kidney malfunction, skin infections, just to name a few. It would be easy assume Srila Prabhupada had advanced DM2, although no records exist to support this.

The "mystery" symptoms exhibited by Srila Prabhupada cannot as a group be attributable to diabetes or kidney disease, but are typical of cadmium poisoning. Also, all his other symptoms are compatible with cadmium poisoning, i.e., none of his symptoms conflicted with cadmium poisoning. The "mystery" symptoms are examined below.

## CHRONIC CONJUNCTIVITIS, MUCUS, BRONCHITIS, RHINITIS

"Srila Prabhupada still chose not to drink anything ... and complained of mucus." (HSUnpub, p 20) "Any medicine, food, or drink, **anything**, would quickly cause lots of coughing up of thick mucus." (TkgD) Constant mucus and cough are trademark symptoms of cadmium poisoning, but are **not seen in diabetes** or kidney disease. Chronic bronchitis and conjunctivitis are also not typically associated with DM2. An extensive search of scientific studies on Medline/PubMed showed no relationship between diabetes or kidney disease with chronic bronchitis, mucus, or conjunctivitis.

In Vol. 4: *Srila Prabhupada's Mysterious Health Decline*, we see an unending chronic, heavy bronchitis or cold, month after month, with heavy cough and chest mucus, conjunctivitis (watery irritated eyes with mucus), runny nose, tearing, and general irritation of the upper respiratory system and mucous membranes. In Vol. 1 there are many scientific studies listed showing chronic bronchitis, upper respiratory tract irritation, conjunctivitis, rhinitis, cough, mucus, etc to be classic symptoms of cadmium poisoning, especially in sub-acute levels. There are 32 references in Srila Prabhupada's health history (Vol. 4) with

coughing, chest mucus, mucus in the eyes, with unremitting cold, cough and mucus through 1977. Srila Prabhupada's cough on late 1977 tape recordings is heartrending, especially knowing his chronic bronchitis and conjunctivitis were due to his cadmium/arsenic poisoning. E.g., *"He could not sleep because he would be coughing so much."* 

It is not normal for someone to have mucus, cough, colds, bronchitis, rhinitis, etc *non-stop all year*. The accounts of various heavy metal poisoning victims invariably includes descriptions of cough, mucus, bronchitis, rhinitis, conjunctivitis, etc. An unusual feature of Srila Prabhupada's last year was an almost constant cough and mucus. These symptoms receded and returned even day to day. While the milk was often blamed, mucus and cough came even with abstinence from milk. A new supplement or treatment was blamed for the mucus, *until everything caused mucus*. Eating, fasting, milk, or no milk. Conjunctivitis is bacterial, viral, or allergic. Viral, bacterial clear up in days; allergic lasts while the irritant is present. *Srila Prabhupada's persistent, long-lasting conjunctivitis was allergic, caused by poisoning.* 

### PHOTOPHOBIA: EYE SENSITIVITY TO LIGHT

Photophobia (not skin photosensitivity) is when light hurts the eyes and one avoids light. There is plentiful evidence from scientific sources to confirm photophobia is a symptom of cadmium and arsenic poisoning. *Further, photophobia is not associated with diabetes or kidney disease.* There are many references to allergic drug reactions, e.g., mustard gas and mercury, resulting in photophobia. Glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy sometimes causes photophobia, but Srila Prabhupada did not have the other symptoms of these conditions. From Srila Prabhupada's 1977 health history (archival photos show him with sunglasses indoors), showing his extreme photophobia in 1977 due to cadmium poisoning, there are 26 references given in Vol. 1: Triumphant Departure, e.g., "...put on sunglasses so your eyes won't be hurt by the sun."

Photophobia is a symptom of cadmium and arsenic poisoning, but it is *not typical in diabetes* or kidney disease. Srila Prabhupada had increasing and obvious photophobia in 1977.

### **DROOLING (EXCESSIVE SALIVATION)**

Not typically associated with diabetes or kidney disease, excessive salivation and drooling is a prominent symptom of heavy metals poisoning.

### SCRATCHY THROAT, HOARSE, HUSKY VOICE

Not associated w/ diabetes/ kidney disease, a persistent scratchy, hoarse, husky voice is unique to chemical poisonings (like Cd and As).

### LUNG IRREGULARITIES- DYPSNEA, PLEURISY

On Oct. 22, 1977, Dr. Krishna Gopal, after a week of various allopathic medicines, examined Srila Prabhupada again, and became perplexed. The appetite had not improved, and he suspected something other than bronchitis. The left lung was taking in less air, and he suspected asthma, pleurisy, dyspnea, or a lung infection. He wanted to bring an X-ray machine to Srila Prabhupada's rooms to do a lung X-ray. Cadmium, being radiopaque, would have been seen as white spots. Bhavananda and Tamal both nixed X-rays, then criticized, dismissed Dr. Gopal. Nothing was done regarding Srila Prabhupada's unusual lung irregularities, which are characteristic of cadmium poisoning (and not of diabetes or kidney ailments). The constant bronchitis-mucus was from the heavy metal poisoning, which Dr. Gopal was close to discovering.

### URINARY TRACT INFLAMMATION, PHIMOSIS, CIRCUMCISION

From the arsenic poisonings of Blanche Taylor Moore, we find that her victim Raymond Reid's symptoms *perfectly matched those of Srila Prabhupada in 1977.* Cadmium and arsenic poisoning symptoms are similar. "Raymond had nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, extreme weakness, swelling, anemia and blood irregularities, heart irregularities, failing kidneys. Then his kidneys stopped producing urine and he began coughing up large quantities of mucus. His intestinal tract was not working and he had a **weak and raspy voice**. He required a painful **circumcision** due to persistent inflammation and infection of the genital. ...his **urine was blocked** by inflammation in the urethra."

Srila Prabhupada also went to a London hospital in Sept. 1977 to relieve urinary retention with a circumcision. The attending ER surgical resident Dr. McIrvine said in 2000: "*His most obvious problem… was urinary retention… caused by a most unusual degree of phimosis… a long-standing scarring and thickening of the foreskin such that he was… virtually unable to pass urine.*" The unusual scarring and phimosis observed by Dr. McIrvine in Sept. 1977 is not typical to diabetes or kidney disease, but seen in heavy metals poisonings. After many months of serious poisoning, this was likely scarring from chronic urinary tract inflammation and infections, which would block the urine, requiring circumcision or urethral tubing. Dr. McIrvine just assumed it was a congenital condition and did not even suspect heavy metals poisoning.

### EXPRESSIONLESS, COLORLESS FACE

Srila Prabhupada, increasingly after his Feb. 26, 1977 severe health attack, exhibited a pale, expressionless, motionless, pallor-less, blank face that was unmistakable and can be noted in photographs of the time. This was also noted by Ayurvedic physician Dr. Mehta in 1997.

### SENSITIVE, MELANCHOLIC, VERY EMOTIONAL

Srila Prabhupada, increasingly in his last months, was prone to sudden tears, crying, being very sensitive, melancholic, and prominently emotional, and which was very much different than his prior demeanor. Though this could be interpreted as a transcendental symptom, its external correlative cause is heavy metals poisoning.

### LATE DIABETES SYMPTOMS CONSPICUOUSLY ABSENT

Listed at the bottom of the chart below are ten symptoms or complications very typical to diabetes that were <u>not seen</u> in Srila Prabhupada prior to his departure, and this creates great doubt whether he had advanced diabetes. No obesity, excessive hunger or thirst, insulin dependency, diabetic coma, infections, tingling, etc. All of these ten signs are not guaranteed in advanced diabetes, but when a large number are absent, it creates grave doubts about an advanced diabetes diagnosis. So what was the primary cause of Srila Prabhupada's health deterioration? Answer: a heavy metals poisoning.

### **COMPARISON OF MEDICAL SYMPTOMS**

Next is an analysis of Srila Prabhupada's medical symptoms. Nine of the 12 cadmium poisoning symptoms shown at the top of the chart are marked in Vol. 4 so the reader can see their innumerable manifestations.

**SET #1:** "MYSTERY SYMPTOMS": SEEN IN HEAVY METAL POISONINGS, <u>NOT</u> DIABETES/ KIDNEY DISEASE; ABSENT IN SRILA PRABHUPADA BEFORE MID-1976, INCREASINGLY SEVERE AFTER; VERY SUPPORTIVE OF CADMIUM POISONING

	1.	EXTREME PHOTOPHOBIA	SEVERE last 6 months	
	2.	CONJUNCTIVITIS, TEARING EYES	SEVERE last 6 months	
	3.	CHRONIC BRONCHITIS lung mucus	SEVERE all 18 months	
	4.	CHRONIC COUGH chest irritation	SEVERE all 18 months	
	5.	LUNG Irregularities short breath	SEVERE last months	
	6.	CHRONIC RHINITIS runny stuffy nose	SEVERE all 18 months	
	7.	LIVER: weakness, enlarged, diseased	SEVERE last 6 months	
	8.	SCRATCHY, HOARSE VOICE	SEVERE last 9 months	
	9.	LOTS OF SALIVATION, DROOLING	Moderate in 1977	
	10.	PHIMOSIS, Urethra Inflammation	Severe by Sept 1977	
	11.	FACE No Color, Expression, Pallor	SEVERE last 6 months	
	12.	MIND Emotional, sensitive, tearful	SEVERE last 6 months	

SET #2: SEEN BOTH IN HEAVY METAL POISONING AND DIABETES/ KIDNEY DISEASE; AS SEEN IN SRILA PRABHUPADA BEFORE & AFTER HIS PROVEN POISONING: BEFORE AFTER 1. HEART PALPITATIONS MINOR Severe increasingly 2. HEADACHE MINOR Medium increasing Severe increasingly 3. BAD TASTE IN MOUTH NONE Moderate late 1977 4. PARESTHESIA/ ITCHING NONE 5. ABDOMINAL UPSETS **Moderate to Severe** MINOR

6. SEIZURES, FAINTINGNONEYes, late 19777. HIGH BLOOD PRESSURESOMEHigh; On and Off8. WEIGHT LOSS, no appetiteNONESEVERE in 1977

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9.	DIFFICULT URINATION	SOME	Severe increasingly			
10.	DISCOLORED, CASTS IN URINE	NONE	Prominent late '77			
11.	WEAKNESS ANEMIA FATIGUE	MINOR	SEVERE all 1977			
12.	/SWELLING/ Fluid Retention	ON-OFF	Severe increasingly			
13.	KIDNEY DYSFUNCTION, UREMIA	MINOR	Severe increasingly			
14.	KIDNEY STONES	NONE	Suspected			
15.	LOW URINE CONCENTRATION	NONE	Medium increasing			
16.	EYESIGHT LOSS	NONE	Severe last months			
17.	LOSS OF HEARING	NONE	Severe increasingly			
18.	MUSCULAR WEAKNESS, PAIN	NONE	Severe increasing			
19.	OSTEOpenia/Bone Pain NONE		Moderate late stage			
20.	ATROPHY Gastrointestinal Tract	NONE	Severe increasing			
SET #3: SEEN IN DIABETES/ KIDNEY DISEASE, NOT CADMIUM POISONING.						
NOT SEEN IN SRILA PRABHUPADA BEFORE OR AFTER HIS POISONING,						
STRONGLY INDICATING HIS DIABETES WAS NOT VERY ADVANCED						
4			NO			

1.	OBESITY, WEIGHT GAIN	NO
2.	EXCESSIVE HUNGER: Polyphagia	NO
3.	INSULIN DEPENDENCY, Injections	NO
4.	INSULIN SHOCK, COMA, FAINTING	NO
5٠	SKIN, FOOT INFECTIONS	NO
6.	EXCESSIVE THIRST: POLYDIPSIA	NO
7.	GANGRENE, Amputate Extremities	NO
8.	TINGLING IN EXTREMITIES	NO
9.	BOILS, ULCERS	NO
10.	SWALLOWING DIFFICULTIES	NO

#### SYMPTOMS ANALYSIS CONCLUSIONS

(1) A group of symptoms is unexplainable by diabetes (DM2) or kidney disease and were produced by another "mystery" cause, all of which are consistent with chronic cadmium poisoning. (2) Chronic cadmium poisoning is not only confirmed by symptoms but is *proven* by hair tests. (3) All of Srila Prabhupada's symptoms were consistent with heavy metals poisoning. (4) Although Srila Prabhupada maybe had some diabetes and kidney problems, his declining health after mid-1976 was due to his cadmium poisoning, proven by testing 1977 hair samples. (5) Srila Prabhupada's diabetes and kidney disease were aggravated and worsened by his heavy metals poisoning. (8) Listed are ten symptoms typical to diabetes *not* seen in Srila Prabhupada, and *all his symptoms match those of chronic heavy metals poisoning, whereas many usual advanced diabetes symptoms were conspicuously absent*.

The diabetes-kidney disease case is actually very weak.

## METAL POISONING CASE STUDIES RE: SYMPTOMS

Assassination At St. Helena, p. 433: "... German pathologist, Dr. A. Heffter, a specialist researching in the intricacies of diagnosis in cases of arsenic intoxication, writes that it is unforgivable not to suspect arsenic intoxication when gastric trouble is coupled with conjunctivitis,

eczema or weakness in the legs." Also, Jim Schutze, in his book about Moore's arsenic poisonings, notes the difficulty in recognizing arsenic poisoning: "Those same symptoms could just as easily steer a doctor toward acute alcohol poisoning, Guillain-Barre syndrome, diabetes mellitus, vitamin deficiency, lupus, blood disease, diphtheria, multiple sclerosis, or a host of other common diseases, including tick bite. In fact, it is the ability of arsenic to duplicate the symptoms of other diseases that makes it so difficult to detect... it remains one of the least accurately diagnosed of all afflictions. ...the possibility of arsenic poisoning simply is not a thought that leaps easily to the minds of physicians."

Schutze explains that symptoms of arsenic poisoning resemble those of many other diseases, but "all of these things together can mean almost nothing but... arsenic poisoning." And arsenic and cadmium have very similar effects, although cadmium is significantly more lethal.

## **COMMON SENSE ON COINCIDENCES**

Obviously someone with diabetes and kidney disease could also have any of a number of other health problems, such as meningitis, leukemia, or *poisoning*. That a significant group of the "mystery" (nondiabetes/kidney) symptoms, co-existing all at once, were simultaneously manifest in Srila Prabhupada is highly unusual- such a complete set of respiratory tract and mucous membrane symptoms, on such a prolonged basis, day to day, up and down, more, then less, reveals a hidden cause. The probabilities of a distinct and separate physiological cause approaches certainty, being *cadmium poisoning*. Those insisting on diabetes cannot account for these unexplained mystery symptoms. All of Srila Prabhupada's physical symptoms must be accounted for, not just some. The probability of prolonged cough, mucus, salivation, conjunctivitis, and rhinitis due to natural causes? Zero To None. There was a group of symptoms which are not attributable to diabetes or kidney disease, but which are typical of chronic cadmium poisoning.

## FORENSICS COMBINED WITH SYMPTOM ANALYSIS

Because 1977 was a time of 250 X as much cadmium, 20 X as much arsenic, and 8 X as much antimony as he normally had pre-1977, this is proof of heavy metals poisoning. These levels are not from an accidental or environmental exposure; it was a malicious and homicidal, possible only by ingesting cadmium chemicals in food and drink. In 1977 Srila Prabhupada experienced a mysterious, persistent, undiagnosed, and debilitating "illness." His symptoms are fully consistent with heavy metal poisoning. The combination of forensics and medical symptoms analysis confirms the poisoning; this is basic, standard medical diagnostic practice. Sometimes symptom analysis is sufficient; but we make a poisoning diagnosis based on much forensic evidence as well.

Chest congestion, heavy mucus/cough, apparent colds/ bronchitis/ rhinitis, heart palpitations/hypertension, weakness in legs, no strength or appetite, indigestion, swelling of extremities, and later, aversion to light, no taste, kidney infection, phimosis. This is a picture of a serious heavy metals poisoning, not diabetes. This is the correct symptoms analysis.

## CHAPTER 15: LONDON HOSPITAL VISIT

### THE LONDON "SURGERY" AND DR McIRVINE

On Sept. 8, 1977, at Bhaktivedanta Manor near London, Srila Prabhupada, having severe pain the previous days, suddenly experienced a medical emergency, not being able to pass urine and fainting. Abhiram das, his personal nurse, convinced Srila Prabhupada to go to a hospital as an outpatient, and promised to restrict unwanted medical procedures. At Peace Memorial Hospital's emergency room they were attended by "surgical resident" Andrew McIrvine, who did a circumcision, after which urinary retention was relieved. Srila Prabhupada returned to the temple the same day, but the urine remained partially blocked, likely due to chronic urinary tract inflammation and infection. This is a typical heavy metals poisoning symptom.

In 2000 a GBC agent corresponded with Dr. McIrvine, who remembered Srila Prabhupada's case. With Dr. McIrvine's vague memories of diabetes and kidney failure, the GBC boasted that their interview with Srila Prabhupada's "surgeon" had disproved poisoning, since he had diabetes, which meant he could not have been poisoned (how does that work?) Such is the slippery deceit of the GBC.

### **DR. MCIRVINE CONFIRMS DIABETES**

Jan. 7, 2000: Dr. Andrew McIrvine gave an *apparent* confirmation that Srila Prabhupada had diabetes (but which proves what?)

"Srila Prabhupada was presented to me in the emergency room of Watford General Hospital... obviously in poor health and showed signs of renal failure and was found to be diabetic. These diagnoses were made on clinical suspicion confirmed by blood and urine analysis. His most obvious problem was urinary retention. **This was caused by a most unusual degree of phimosis.** That a long-standing scarring and thickening of the foreskin such that he was at the time of his admission virtually unable to pass urine. This process would have taken many years to develop and during that time could well have produced back pressure enough to result in renal problems- as more often happens with prostatic obstruction. ...we persuaded him to have a circumcision to relieve the problem, which I carried out in the ER under local anaesthetic. He was able to pass urine normally... Unfortunately his renal failure was by that time well advanced and irreversible, caused by a combination of diabetes and phimosis." [The phimosis was likely due to chronic urethral infections/ inflammation from the year-long cadmium poisoning.] NTIAP blared: "Prabhupada's Surgeon Confirms: Diabetes To Blame."

### THEN CAME THE CLARIFICATIONS

But did Dr. McIrvine really do blood and urine tests for diabetes, kidney failure, or poisoning? So, in late 2001 Nityananda corresponded with Dr. McIrvine to better clarify Srila Prabhupada's 1977 medical condition (this was before the cadmium discovery). No Srila Prabhupada hospital medical records remain, as they are purged every 7 years.

**McIrvine** (MC): "... unfortunately there was never any suspicion of poisoning at the time and no test would have been done to substantiate the argument in either direction. ... so we would not have had full hospital notes opened. ... I would **probably** have done just simple tests, Hb, BUN, electrolytes.... Yes, poisoning could have exacerbated his diabetes and renal failure. A diagnosis of diabetes would not preclude the possibility of concurrent poisoning. Unless arsenic is confirmed by specific tests, it would be missed entirely. I am afraid this is all from memory rather than actual records..."

#### NO BLOOD TESTS WERE DONE

However, Srila Prabhupada was very much against needles and the drawing of blood. Tamal and Abhiram did not allow any blood tests. This was Srila Prabhupada's rigid policy- no blood tests had been done in years, even when doctors asked for them. Abhiram says he convinced Srila Prabhupada to go to the hospital with assurances they were only going *"for some minor plumbing work."* The urgent reason for the Emergency Room visit was to relieve urinary retention, accomplished by a circumcision. Abhiram said he had to convince the doctor to accept Srila Prabhupada as an ER patient only for the urinary retention/blockage problem, and nothing else, and that intravenous feeding and general anaethestics were unacceptable. When various routine tests were about to proceed as per standard hospital procedure, Tamal, Abhiram strenuously refused to allow drawing of any blood. *There were no blood tests.* 

Six days later, Sept. 14, Srila Prabhupada said: "I could understand when he wanted blood that he would begin his allopathic treatments." Tamal, Oct. 18, 1977 said he would not allow blood tests: "...I mean we're not going to let them do anything bad [or] let anybody take you to the hospital. I wouldn't have done it in London, except that you yourself said we should do it. [...] Neither I'm going to let anybody put any, take any blood specimen or any of those things." No blood tests were done.

Ultimately it is irrelevant whether there were urine or blood tests and if there was diabetes or not. The critical point is that no tests for poisons were done. Poisoning was not even suspected. *Many specific laboratory tests are required to detect each poison, and they could take weeks to be completed.* It was natural for Dr. McIrvine to assume diabetes and kidney problems. Simply by going to the hospital, the cadmium poisoning would not be automatically discovered.

Later the *NTIAP* author opined that Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was simply a buildup of toxins due to kidney failure: "*Prabhupada was being poisoned- by his own toxins due to kidney failure brought about by advanced diabetes- as diagnosed by Dr. Andrew McIrvine.*" But this was not included in Dr. McIrvine's "testimony" and still ignores *the fact* of heavy metal poisoning, which causes and worsens kidney disease and diabetes. The deceptive inference is that there was just a natural death.

In 2002 Nityananda again wrote Dr. McIrvine to advise of the skyhigh cadmium findings in Srila Prabhupada's hair. Unfortunately, he said he stood by the diabetes diagnosis because he had seen the "cadmium orange dyed paint" that Hare Krishnas use and which "externally contaminated" the hair samples. Actually, these religious "tilak" beige clay marks on devotees' foreheads have no cadmium based orange paint. This ignorant speculation on his part ruins his credibility completely.

### CONCLUSION

In light of the proven lethal, sky-high cadmium levels, any diabetes was *irrelevant*. Heavy metals poisoning over a minimum 10 months caused Srila Prabhupada's catastrophic health decline, and any degree of diabetes he may have had does not negate the cadmium poisoning. If a diabetic is lethally poisoned and expires, should malicious homicide be ruled out because he had diabetes? Since lethal poisoning is confirmed, any illness is secondary to the *unnatural cause of death by poison*. Why debate if Srila Prabhupada's health decline was due to pre-existing diabetes or kidney disease, since the cadmium levels were lethal.

Cadmium poisoning was the *unnatural assailant* on Srila Prabhupada's health, superseding any underlying natural illnesses. His hair tests have proven a lethal, malicious poisoning was the actual cause of Srila Prabhupada's health decline. The truth about the greatest spiritual teacher in this age should be established, justice served, culprits identified, punished, and a complete cleansing be made of all the policies and deviations that those poisoners injected into Srila Prabhupada's spiritual movement. His faithful followers must maintain, preserve, protect his divine gift to humanity.

## CHAPTER 16: REJECTION OF PROPER MEDICAL CARE

### TAMAL CONTROLLED PRABHUPADA'S MEDICAL CARE

As 1977 progressed, Tamal, ever the control-freak, tightened his grip over Srila Prabhupada's life. Bhaktisiddhanta das was posted as a security guard by Srila Prabhupada's garden door, and said *nothing happened without the sanction of Tamal:* "A security cordon was set up by Tamal around Srila Prabhupada. As security men we were instructed not to let anyone in without Tamal's OK first." Tamal decided who visited or spoke to Srila Prabhupada, and which medicines and doctors would be accepted or rejected. He directed the health care, with Srila Prabhupada's input decreasing over the months, and he filtered the news, guests, and letters read to Srila Prabhupada. He was firmly situated as Srila Prabhupada's guardian, advisor, primary caretaker, executor, personal secretary. Tamal was in control, from an external perspective, and Srila Prabhupada's health care, travel plans, interactions with others.

Srila Prabhupada increasingly entrusted his health care to his servants, depending on their best judgment and arrangements. After the Feb. 26, '77 health attack, Srila Prabhupada deferred more to Tamal for his medical care, although he would propose ideas, kavirajas, and medicines. Tamal listened, but he would regularly just ignore instructions or steer events in another direction. Everyone was intimidated by Tamal and compliant with his program of *avoiding proper medical attention* and doctors, cloaked as being spiritually intelligent. The result was a senseless and endless loop of changing kavirajas and treatments, without any proper medical care. On Nov. 15, Tamal even bypassed the local coroner/ health officer and the required death certificate before Srila Prabhupada was placed in his samadhi.

Tamal was responsible for Srila Prabhupada's medicines, assisted by his protégé Bhakticharu. These medicines were locked in a cabinet, and only these two had access to them. Tamal decided on doctors and treatments. "In terms of Prabhupada's medicines he would always have his secretary give his final conclusive opinion over what steps he should take and what treatments he should take..." (Tamal, *BTG* interview)

## ACTUALLY PRABHUPADA WANTED TO LIVE AND PREACH MORE

The key feature of Srila Prabhupada's final pastimes was his determination to live longer, as seen by: (1) requesting to go on *parikrama* which he said would cure him (2) consulting many *kavirajas* and employing numerous health treatments (3) trying to complete his *Bhagwatam* project (4) continuing to preach at every opportunity and with every breath (5) trying to go to Gita Nagari to teach varnashrama dharma (the second half of his mission) (6) trying many varieties of more digestible food (7) allowing devotees to pray for his health (8) considering healthier climates to go to (9) stating he was being poisoned.

Srila Prabhupada was intent on living, not dying as Tamal claimed.

### **REJECTION OF PROPER MEDICAL CARE**

The historical record, especially the last months of 1977, shows *the caretakers rejecting proper medical care for Srila Prabhupada*. This was aggressively vocalized and implemented by Tamal and supported by Bhavananda, as though being protective. Although Srila Prabhupada was adverse to allopathic drugs, the primary caretaker Tamal:

(1) Even opposed visits by unintrusive kavirajas, whose treatments were optional and could be decided upon at any stage, and (2) Never made a real effort to obtain a *correct diagnosis* for Srila Prabhupada's mysterious illness. (3) Throughout 1977 begrudgingly allowed doctors to do their initial inspections and prescriptions, but then within days would discredit them one by one as being unqualified, cheaters, imposters, etc. (4) Would decline simple medical procedures even if performed "at home" and when Srila Prabhupada did not object.

Tamal restricted the level of medical care to a revolving door of low to medium quality, local, traditional-medicine kavirajas, or those unable to detect poisoning. There was a perplexing parade of doctors, coming and going, changing, accepting, discrediting, then rejecting, both Ayurvedic and allopathic doctors, even when those willing to accommodate Srila Prabhupada's wishes. In retrospect, this was a program of <u>rejecting proper medical care</u>. Why was there no proper medical care nor even a proper diagnosis obtained? Why were doctors repeatedly engaged, criticized, and discharged? Why was there so much suspicion about all allopathic and Ayurvedic doctors? Why was there typically only village kavirajas, babas, vaidyas, and quacks?

## THE POISONING SABOTAGED TRUST IN DOCTORS, TREATMENTS

Effecting an insidious, creeping health debilitation, the poisoning

would discredit all doctors and kavirajas as it superseded their diagnoses, medicines, and treatments. Faith and trust in each new medical practitioner and his prescription was sabotaged by continued poisoning, as everyone thought the ill effects were due to the new medicine or treatment. A sprinkle of cadmium would override whatever good effect a medicine produced. E.g., Shastri believed his herbs would rejuvenate Srila Prabhupada's strength, but all his efforts were frustrated by a relentless health decline. As the unseen poison acted, the new doctor was perplexed and his medicine rejected for causing ill effects. The parade of doctors continued, increasing skepticism in all doctors, medicines. No medicine or treatment could counter a cadmium poisoning.

[*Oh*, just see! This doctor doesn't know what he's doing too! Idiots, cheaters! Reject them, and just depend on Krishna and the chanting!]

Bonamali kaviraja was rejected because Tamal fumed that he raised his fees by 20 rupees (\$3), arguing this was dishonest and contemptible. Bonamali, though Srila Prabhupada's old friend, was dismissed. A mood of intense distrust and suspicion of doctors and medicines, especially allopathic, served the interests of the poisoners. When Satsvarupa came in Oct. 1977, Tamal told him all doctors and medicines had failed, and they could only chant and pray for a miracle. Satsvarupa accepted. Srila Prabhupada lay bedridden, slowly withering away from the cadmium.

Srila Prabhupada's illness was a mystery, being indecipherable and elusive to all medical practitioners. There was a deep frustration as Srila Prabhupada did not respond to any treatment and he grew worse day by day. The secret poisoning brought about an atmosphere of hopelessness. In Bombay, Sept. 24, prominent life member Sri KJ Somaiya brought Ram Gopal, an acclaimed Ayurvedic *vaidya*. After taking his new medicines, sure enough, Srila Prabhupada developed heavy mucus and discomfort that same night. Was this due to medicine or the poison? The next day the *vaidya* was dismissed after Tamal said he "*wanted nothing to do with him.*" Each doctor and treatment was rejected by Tamal. HSUnpub: "*Srila Prabhupada* [...] requested him to call another doctor. He asked Tamal for his opinion, (who) was negative about the whole thing having become disgusted after so many doctors."

## TAMAL'S DOCTOR SCAREMONGERING

The horrors and defects of modern medicine were repeatedly described to Srila Prabhupada in a determined attempt to steer Srila Prabhupada *away* from any proper medical attention. Why? Was there something to conceal that only modern Western medical techniques could discover? Tamal was emphatic about this, seen clearly in the recorded conversations, but, interestingly, not in his own *TKG's Diary*.

Tamal projected immense prejudice against doctors and medical treatments. This was self-serving, not to protect Srila Prabhupada from "dangerous" doctors, but due to his fear that doctors would discover the poisoning. Some 1977 examples which went on all through 1977:

(1) Oct. 22: Tamal heads up a discussion about the horrors of modern surgery, where scissors were sewed up into the patient, requiring further surgery to remove them later. (2) Oct. 6: Tamal discourages a father and son team of doctors from coming, saying they may as well ask 20,000 doctors to come. (3) Sept. 29: There is discussion headed by Tamal against all doctors and hospitals. [Can we see the pattern here?]

(4) "They will introduce so many things- injections, operationstherefore I don't want it." (5) "No, these allopathic doctors have been totally a failure for you. There's no question of going back to them in any case... and strong medicine he prescribed... He would have created havoc with his testing... if you don't have the disease, then they'll make sure you get it, simply to be right."

## SRILA PRABHUPADA TRIED VERY HARD TO CURE HIS "ILLNESS"

Notwithstanding Srila Prabhupada's cautious attitude towards doctors, the record clearly shows Srila Prabhupada wanted qualified doctors and effective medicines to restore his health. Although he disliked medicines in general, if he thought they would help, he tried them. He was *practical* while aware of the modern medical system's limits. He sent devotees to find makharadhvaja. He seemed perplexed by his "illness," and he only took those medicines he had faith in. After all, why did he continue to vigorously undertake so many cure programs? Why did he himself repeatedly call for kavirajas, doctors? Why did he want to go to Kodaikanal, Kashmir, Manipur, Hawaii and elsewhere for medical care? He wanted to be cured with medicines and treatments. He was actively involved in his own health care, according to Abhiram das, repeatedly calling for doctors (some that he knew) and by making his own medicines and treatments. He was more inclined towards natural and Ayurvedic medicines, and he was correctly suspicious of most allopathic doctors who tended to "experiment" and try this, try that. He avoided useless medicines. Otherwise, he determinedly tried to cure his ailment, even self-prescribing his own treatments. He was rightfully averse to doctors' injections, drawing blood, and "experimental" treatments.

## WHY DID ALL THE TREATMENTS FAIL?

Each remedy undertaken to restore Srila Prabhupada's health produced no lasting results. Adridharan das felt great frustration with these ineffective health care attempts. He and others hoped for a qualified doctor to treat Srila Prabhupada consistently until cured. There had already been *a parade of various practitioners*, some good, some bad, all who came and went. Adridharan arranged the last *kaviraja* (Damodar Prasad Shastri) to treat Srila Prabhupada in late Oct. 1977. Despite Shastri's stellar qualifications, his treatments were also ineffective because he had also misdiagnosed the ailment. No doctor was engaged long enough to suspect or detect heavy metals poisoning.

Why were there *adverse reactions <u>every</u> time* Srila Prabhupada began a new treatment? In the last weeks, Bhavananda and Tamal were "relieved" that Srila Prabhupada decided to die peacefully, without further botheration with "the struggle to live." The problem was no one suspected poisoning. All the treatments and medicines failed because nothing could treat the unseen poison. To ensure the poisoning was not detected, the poisoners changed or discredited any half-way proficient doctor that came, and thus perpetuated a sense of total frustration and resignation to Srila Prabhupada's imminent and inevitable departure.

## PRIME SUSPECT TAMAL'S MEDICAL HYPOCRISY

It is ironic and disturbing that 22 years after Srila Prabhupada was repeatedly denied proper medical attention, Tamal himself, using the modern medical system, was diagnosed with advanced prostate cancer that had spread to one kidney, and which was removed by surgery on Jan. 26, 1999. Tamal employed the best physicians at ultra-modern hospitals, spending a reported \$1 million at top-rated hospitals and cancer clinics on his recovery. The hypocrisy is that Srila Prabhupada was given free Hari Nam after speaking of being homicidally poisoned.

Why did Tamal not take the same advice he gave to Srila Prabhupada, and go to Vrindaban to chant and die in complete mistrust of medicine and doctors? Tamal's shameful **hypocrisy** speaks volumes about him. Tamal was very expert in finding proper medical attention, both in proper diagnosis and treatment, at enormous expense, when it involved himself personally. Why was Srila Prabhupada left in the care of a baba who gave medicine made of bark from 45 trees? Somehow no doctor was suitable- all were rejected. Now that Srila Prabhupada's lethal poisoning with cadmium has been proven, we know why Tamal did not want hospitals or doctors: he was afraid the poisoning would be discovered. (Which points to his involvement in the poisoning.)

## THE SUSPICIOUS SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

(1) No hospitalization. (2) No competent attending doctor. (3) No certified attending nurse. (4) No autopsy. (5) Patient says he overheard discussions about being poisoned. (6) No report to police about poisoning. (7) No pathological investigation undertaken. (8) Ten months pass by as patient unexplainably withers away. (9) Death

certificate issued 103 days later. (10) Body interred within 13 hours of death. (11) The incorrectly registered cause of death was "heart attack."

(12) Patient complains about being poisoned. (13) When concerns of foul play led to a GBC investigation and arsenic was discovered in a hair sample, the GBC investigation was terminated by the suspects with a whitewash, deceptive cover-up. (14) Investigation funds redirected by the suspects to their cover-up book, which they oversaw, produced by their disciples with literary support from cronies and beneficiaries. (15) The cadmium test results prove a lethal heavy metals poisoning.

## SUSPECT JAYAPATAKA'S MEDICAL HYPOCRISY

While Srila Prabhupada was attended to by bush doctors, babas, and obscure village kavirajas in 1977 while being massively poisoned, after Jayapataka's massive stroke in 2008 due to his gross obesity, he was treated by India's best doctors, in elite hospitals, taken by helicopter for new treatments. In recent years he has received kidney and liver transplants. All the latest and most advanced medical therapy facilities are available to him. No cost has been spared to maintain his life, while Srila Prabhupada's sincere kaviraja was angrily dismissed by Tamal over \$3. Half-paralyzed, Jayapataka is treated like an avatar everywhere he goes, with huge receptions, banners, crowds, fanfare, far in excess of Srila Prabhupada's receptions. While Srila Prabhupada's proper medical care was pathetic and rejected, Jayapataka's has no limitations.

## BHAKTICHARU MEDICAL HYPOCRISY

In 2020, Bhakticharu Swami was diagnosed with COVID-19, and soon voluntarily entered a Deland, Florida area hospital for the best medical treatment. However, in what may be seen as an irony, he had a heart attack and was placed on a respirator in an induced coma, and died. He would have been better off following Srila Prabhupada's example.

### TAMAL REJECTED QUALIFIED MEDICAL CARE FOR PRABHUPADA

In late 1977 Tamal opposed hospital visits, doctors, medical tests, etc. (1) "I'm not going to let anybody take you to the hospital. [...] It's not required. (Oct. 18, 1977) (2) "So we are not going to take you to the hospital under any condition. Neither... not only is it your order, but we also see absolutely no benefit from these hospitals." (Nov. 3, 1977)

Srila Prabhupada's 1977 health history shows a band-aid approach to health care coupled with a resolute avoidance of any qualified medical attention or evaluation. *There was no coherent or intelligent program to address Srila Prabhupada's health problems.* Understandably, Srila Prabhupada was cautious with hospitals and doctors, as they more easily ruined one's health than improved it. Still, funds and contacts were in hand to select from a range of qualified, sympathetic doctors without experiments, injections, and operations. *Five known opportunities* would have provided proper medical diagnostics and treatments on Srila Prabhupada's own terms, but all were dismissed, discredited, and nixed by Tamal, the chief "caretaker." This deliberate avoidance of proper medical care *prevented detection of the poisoning*. The poisoners were anxious about each new doctor, who might discover their evil work.

In Vol. 1 and 4 of this series, all the details are given of these five prime opportunities to give Srila Prabhupada proper medical care.

## ONE: MADRAS GOVERNOR'S ESTATE WITH BEST TEAM OF DOCTORS TWO: DR. GHOSH (KODAIKANAL), COOL CLIMATE HEALTH RETREAT THREE: DR. KHURANA, NAVEEN KRISHNA'S ALLOPATHIC FATHER FOUR: PEACE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, UK, BEST WESTERN FACILITIES FIVE: DR. KRISHNA GOPAL, SYMPATHETIC, BEST LOCAL DOCTOR

## MORE REJECTED BUT QUALIFIED KAVIRAJAS AND DOCTORS

And there were more kavirajas and doctors other than the above five that were qualified, bona fide, and worthy of retaining, but all of whom Tamal discredited or rejected prematurely due to his secret motive to shun all good doctors. Even Ayurvedic kavirajas could discover the heavy metal poisoning, just as Bonamali did with a simple urine test in late Oct. 1977. Allopathic doctors were often connected to clinics or hospitals, such as Dr. K. Gopal and Dr. Khurana, and had the capabilities to conduct a wide variety of tests. This could easily lead to discovery of the poisoning in due course as their treatments proved ineffective and they searched for answers with further tests (X-rays, blood, urine). Tamal made sure no doctor stayed over a week, by which time they would start to re-assess their original diagnoses. Some of the other rejected doctors that were qualified but unfairly discredited by Tamal:

### (1) DR. G. GHOSH OF ALLAHABAD (2) BONAMALI KAVIRAJA (3) DR. OJA IN BOMBAY (4) DR. SHARMA IN BOMBAY (5) CHIEF DOCTOR, DELHI AYURVEDIC HOSPITAL (6) RAM GOPAL VAIDYA, BOMBAY (7) DR. KANODIA, LONDON (8) DR. KAPOOR'S VAIDYA, VRINDABAN (9) RAMANUJA KAVIRAJA, VRINDABAN (10) SRI RAMDUTTJI KAVIRAJA, VRINDABAN (11) DR. NAROTTAM LAL GUPTA, VRINDABAN

Several of the rejected kavirajas had come to believe in and/or suspect a poisoning, whether malicious or otherwise (see Ch. 18). It is a miracle Tamal and his poisoning cohorts were not exposed in late 1977, and this near-miss discovery of their crime is reflected in Tamal's Nov. 1977 "mercy-killing" interview with Satsvarupa (see Ch. 20) where he displays great paranoia about being accused for the poisoning.

# PART FIVE: TESTIMONY AND SUSPECTS

To date there are no direct witnesses or confessions in Srila Prabhupada's proven heavy metal poisoning, but which is common in hidden, cowardly homicidal poisonings. However, there are witnesses and testimonials that significantly contribute to the body of evidence. We note that the *cadmium poisoning is already proven*, even without direct any witnesses or confessions. The foremost witness is Srila Prabhupada's own words, for those who have faith in them. The forensic hair tests and certified whispers testify further to the pure devotee's words.

The total evidence already establishes that Srila Prabhupada was homicidally poisoned. Volume 2: *Anti-Prabhupada: The Deviant Impact of Tamal Krishna Goswami* examines the evidence to conclude beyond a reasonable doubt that Tamal was the chief poisoner-mastermind of ISKCON's hijacking by false gurus. Volume 3: *Pursuit of Srila Prabhupada's Poisoners* looks in depth at other persons of interest and suspects in this crime, and the evidence regarding some suspects is substantial. ISKCON's double-speak (obscuring actual reality) keeps its members in the dark, but that is ending as the light of truth prevails. May the facts and the historical truth be revealed and known by all of Srila Prabhupada's followers.

## CHAPTER 17: TESTIMONIALS AND LIME

### WAS LIME ADDED TO SRILA PRABHUPADA'S SAMADHI?

Early on Nov. 15, 1977, Srila Prabhupada was placed in his samadhi pit in Vrindaban and covered with salt and then earth. Several witnesses claim that Tamal was sprinkling lime on Srila Prabhupada while the salt was being placed. Folklore as found in murder novels and mob-detective stories is that lime chemically dissolves a body to prevent identification and destroy the evidence. Typically lime is used to prevent odor from latrines or mass burials at shallow depths. However, studies done years after Srila Prabhupada's departure demonstrated that lime actually has the effect of *preserving a body* buried in the earth, by preventing putrefaction. It is very alkaline and slows down aerobic decomposition.

At greater depths there is less air which will also delay decomposition. Also, at Srila Prabhupada's Vrindaban tomb, it is a dry climate with an overhead roof, so water seepage from above is nil. There is a marble slab at the bottom of this samadhi pit, limiting leaching. Srila Prabhupada's body is probably very much the same as when it was interred in 1977.

Days before Nov. 14, 1977: **SP:** You must put salt around the body. **Narayan M:** I have explained to them everything. (A saint's body is buried with 12-18 inches salt on all sides; to be preserved for centuries.)

HSUnpub, Nov. 15, 1977: "Marble which Mahaksha had purchased measuring 5 feet square was placed on the floor of the Samadhi pit. Srila Prabhupada was sitting in the asana position, then his transcendental body was covered with salt... and the pit was filled up with earth."

Bhaktisiddhanta das recalled that Tamal had ordered devotees to stamp the salt down on top of Srila Prabhupada's body and head by dancing in the funeral kirtan.

(1) Nara Narayan das posted online circa 1998 his memory of Tamal adding lime to the salt during Srila Prabhupada's burial ceremony.

(2) In 2002 Sakshi Gopal das interviewed Dr. Gopal Ghosh, Vrindaban Research Institute, who verified he saw Tamal adding lime with the salt when Srila Prabhupada was put in samadhi.

(3) May 2020, from Bhagwat Maharaja (Joseph Sylvester): "Tamal arranged the lime for obvious reasons; Narayan Maharaja kept insisting it was not needed and was opposed to the lime. I was present and saw the bag of lime with my own eyes. I heard Srila Narayan Maharaja question why lime was needed; you are only to use salt. I saw Tamal in the pit sprinkling lime on Prabhupada. I witnessed this with my own eyes. I don't know how much of the bag he used. ...ask Sarvabhavana. He is forthcoming on details like this. [...] I saw who was in the pit. Ananda brahmachari who was Prabhupada's God Brother. Narayan Maharaja, Tamal, Bhakticharu and another brahmachari. It was after this point that Tamal sprinkled the lime on Srila Prabhupada. [...] Tamal may have sprinkled lime on earlier as well; I [...] remember seeing one bag with the word LIME written on it. I can see the picture in my mind's eye, it was leaning against the wall near the Samadhi pit. There were 100's of bags of salt that were being lowered into the pit."

Why did Tamal sprinkle lime over Srila Prabhupada? What was his idea? He did this despite Narayan Maharaja's protests, who explained exactly how to do the ceremony?

### NARAYAN MAHARAJA SPEAKS ON SP'S POISONING

According to Bhagwat Maharaja, Isha das, and others present at a meeting with Narayan Maharaja (NM) in Alachua, Florida in 2003, NM

was asked whether Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, and he answered: "Your Prabhupada told me, 'I think I am being poisoned."" However, NM's secretary Madhava Maharaja did not believe that NM would make an official statement to this effect, due to its controversy. Around that same time, Isha das played the "poison tape" for NM, who listened to the Hindi and English statements by Srila Prabhupada. NM then acknowledged that Prabhupada was saying that he was being poisoned.

At another time, while visiting Los Angeles, the ISKCON temple sent over a large plate of maha-prasadam to NM with goodwill, in spite of substantial tensions over his holding major programs close to ISKCON temples. NM declined to take anything, saying they poisoned Srila Prabhupada and may poison him too. NM passed away in 2010. Another witness is now gone, never formally interviewed.

### **DIGPAL REMEMBERS**

Digpal das sat in Srila Prabhupada's room in Oct. 1977 when Panchadravida Swami, GBC for Mexico, offered to give his youth to Srila Prabhupada, who graciously declined, encouraging him to use his youth for preaching, but then said, "Unlike my other disciples, who are trying to poison me." This is not found on the tapes, and has not been corroborated. Could Panchadravida verify this account?

### GOVINDA DASI AND BONAMALI KAVIRAJA

That Bonamali kaviraja was convinced of Srila Prabhupada being maliciously poisoned (see Ch. 18) was confirmed in 2015 by Kusa dasi, former Honolulu ISKCON temple president (and ex-wife of Srutakirti, Srila Prabhupada's servant 1972-5), and her close friend Govinda dasi. Govinda dasi visited her friend Bonamali kaviraja (who treated Srila Prabhupada in 1977) in 1978 or 1979 and was told "What have they done to Swamiji? It appears Srila Prabhupada has been poisoned."

Govinda dasi wrote (abbreviated): "As I sat in his office, these were his exact words: 'What happened to your Swami Prabhupada? What did they do to him?! He was well when he left here? What did they do to him!?' I don't know why, I just started crying. Then he just shook his head, exasperated, and said, 'Never mind, never mind.' ... I didn't know what he was talking about... But he was upset, and definitely seemed to think that someone had done something to Srila Prabhupada. His mood was one more of outrage. So this is the factual history"

Kusa dasi insisted on one detail: "Govinda dasi, I do remember you saying the doctor said, 'It appears that your Srila Prabhupada has been poisoned.' Govinda dasi replied: 'If Kusha remembers my saying this, then it is true. She has a much better memory than me.' Partrikananda reported in 1998 that a kaviraja asked: "What happened to your guru? He was in good health." This confirms Govinda dasi' recollection.

May 30, 2022 Govinda dasi again confirmed this testimony online.

## GBC PRIVATELY KNOWS WHAT THEY PUBLICLY DENY

Interestingly, GBC videos and interviews referencing the poison issue were recently taken down from the internet- as the GBC takes precautions, knowing they are criminally liable. Indications are also that the GBC has been disappearing any evidence, such as hair and teeth from Srila Prabhupada. ISKCON leaders privately worry the "poison issue" has more merit than they can openly admit. ISKCON's stonewalling, denials, refusal to discuss the evidence shows it is afraid of the truth, suppressing it. Revelation of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning would naturally threaten the entire ISKCON status quo and their positions as gurus, thus their fierce opposition to the "poison theory."

"In 2001, I spoke to an ISKCON guru-GBC-sannyasi. He confided in me that he thought that it was very likely that there was truth to the assertion that Srila Prabhupada was given poison, by Tamal, and perhaps others..." (Dhira Govinda das, 2016)

## WHY DID SRILA PRABHUPADA ARRANGE FOR SPECIAL COOKS?

Abhiram's wife Srutirupa dasi explains in a *Prabhupada Memories* video that Srila Prabhupada asked her to cook for him and *no one* else, with her husband assisting if necessary (they were part of Prabhupada's caretaker team July 25 to Oct. 16, '77). Srila Prabhupada also asked his sister Pishima to cook for him in Oct. 1977, and it was the first full meal Srila Prabhupada ate in months, doing so with great relish. He also instructed Kuladri das on Oct. 3, 1977 that no one should cook for him without Srila Prabhupada's permission. Thus we see Srila Prabhupada's aversion to the prevailing cooking arrangements, meaning he knew he was being poisoned with tainted food at least 5 weeks before he outright said so on Nov. 9. It looks like he did not want to eat or drink from his caretakers. This shows he was not suicidal as claimed by Tamal (Ch. 20).

Sandamini dasi recalls helping Palika dasi cook for Srila Prabhupada in 1977, and when the remnants came back: "I said, 'Oh I'll help you transfer the plates.' But she understood my mind and she said, 'Yes, you can do that, but Prabhupada just said that when he's sick like this, that no one should take his remnants.'" Was Srila Prabhupada concerned that those taking his remnants would also be poisoned? The GBC protest that if Srila Prabhupada was being poisoned in his food, those who took his leftovers would also be poisoned. But, his leftovers were off-limits.

## MORE ITEMS OF POSSIBLE RELEVANCE

A 1997 submission: "I spoke with Prabhupada's sister Pishima just 102

after Prabhupada's passing, in which she mentioned that Prabhupada had called her to Mayapur to cook for him some time before because he was concerned that he was being given poison. Prabhupada wanted her personally to supervise all aspects of his food preparation including purchasing bhoga." This is consistent with the existing historical record.

Yasodanandana das was asked: "Did Brahmananda tell you in early 70's that Srila Prabhupada said Tirtha Maharaja gave poison to Bhaktisiddhanta?" His reply Dec. 1, 2020: "Correct. This occurred in the Calcutta Iskcon temple (Albert Rd) about 7-10 days before 1972 Gaura Purnima. Brahmananda arrived from Bombay about 3 am and said Srila Prabhupada was concerned some of his Godbrothers might try to poison him, just like some of them tried to poison Bhaktisiddhanta. He told all the devotees to go to Mayapur early in the morning and protect Srila Prabhupada. Many of us left for Mayapur early in the morning."

## USEFUL WITNESSES IN FURTHER INVESTIGATION

(1) Naveen Khurana (Naveen Krishna das): US citizen, resigned from GBC, most knowledgeable about poison evidence and suspects. (2) William Ogle (Balavanta das): US Attorney, former GBC Chairman. Appointed by GBC in 1997 to investigate the poisoning allegations but then sidelined. (3) Dr. J. Steven Morris, Ph.D.: MURR of Univ of Missouri; did the NAA hair tests. (4) Nico Kuyt (Nityananda das): In exile, private investigator, compiled, researched the evidence, arranged hair and audio tests. (5) John Hanton (Jitarati das): Very involved in investigative efforts, knows the suspects well.

Witnesses in India:(1) Dr. Sri Pran Gopal Acharya (2) Dr Gopal Chandra Ghosh (Gose) (3) Dr Braj Dulal Goswami (4) Narottama Lal Gupta and his son Liladhar (5) Bhaktisiddhanta das(6) Shyama Ma (7) Bhagatji (Sri Vishwambhar Dayal) and family (8) Sarvabhavana das (9) Dr. Krishna Gopal, Mathura allopathic doctor (10) Dr. Rakesh Kumar Sharma: (Calcutta) Son of Damodara Prasad Shastri.

### **RUMORS OF MEXICAN BRAHMACHARI'S STORY**

According to Partrikananda das, rumors circulated in Los Angeles' devotee community in 1982 that Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was witnessed by a Vrindaban gurukula schoolboy from Mexico. Bhakta Vatsala das (BV), 13 years old in 1977, had regular cleaning duties in Srila Prabhupada's quarters. From a hallway *he reportedly overheard eight or so senior disciples discussing Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.* BV returned to Mexico in 1978 and many devotees there, including Ramanya, Durlab, Nandaprana, Mantri, Adhoksaja, remembered him openly talking about what he had heard.

#### **DURLAB CONFIRMS RUMORS AS FACTS**

Durlab das remembered BV's testimony, and was childhood friends with BV's older brother Mantri das. He lived in Mexico City and ran his own business selling his *Shiva* brand incense. "I phoned Durlab das (Domingo) in Dec. 1997 and he openly verified how he, his older brother Adhoksaja das, Nandaprana das, and others repeatedly heard in 1978 BV's account about how he overheard eight senior devotees in a hushed discussion about poisoning Srila Prabhupada. The conversation took place in the Vrindaban temple near Srila Prabhupada's room as BV listened out of sight through the hallway doorway. [...] Durlab stated that BV was afraid of ISKCON leaders, especially Tamal, and had deliberately adopted a very low profile, disappearing from view. Bhakta Vatsala resides near Mexico City. His mother still attends ISKCON programs." (Nityananda das, 1999)

### THE MEXICAN SECRET POLICE

We were told Tamal sent money to BV in Mexico in 1978 but this stopped after some time. Nityananda das: "Shortly after our phone call and Tamal's visit to Mexico in Dec. 1997, Durlab's home was inexplicably stormed at night by police and he was severely beaten. Durlab excitedly related the incident to me on my second phone call to him in early 1998. Very afraid for his family, he said he would then regularly change his address and phone number. Durlab believed the attack must have been connected somehow to those in ISKCON who want his knowledge of BV's testimony about the poison conspiracy to remain silenced. The men were clearly "secret police" by virtue of their uniforms. After this, Durlab was very reluctant to talk anymore, and we lost contact with him. In 2015 we learned that he had passed away."

## **MEXICAN WITNESS FOUND; "HOLY WATER," TWO TAPES**

In April 1998, Naveen Krishna tried to find the 34 year old BV. Yasodanandan das, former Vrindaban gurukula headmaster, remembered him as his student. Rupa Vilas das, living in UK and a former Vrindaban gurukula teacher, also remembered him. The boy was not so inclined to academics, but he worked hard. He remained in school for about five years until age 13, and returned to Mexico shortly after Srila Prabhupada's departure. Nov. 6, 1977: **SP**: What is that sound? **Tamal**: That's one of the brahmacharis shaking out the dust in the rugs. In my office we have some rugs, so he takes them outside and shakes them. He's a nice brahmachari, young boy from the gurukula, from Mexico.

A few older gurukula boys were always assisting the resident or visiting sannyasis at ISKCON Vrindaban temple. BV was engaged in cleaning by Srila Prabhupada's caretakers. He overheard discussions in those otherwise restricted areas. BV was an assistant to Tamal, Srila Prabhupada's personal secretary. Tamal wanted him to come with him to Dallas after visiting his Mexican relatives in 1978, but he refused.

In July 1999, Ramanya das from Alachua called Naveen Krishna, wanting to help with the investigation. He and Durlab das had both been childhood friends with Mantri das, BV's older brother who joined at ISKCON LA in 1970. Ramanya: "I grew up at the same place with his family. I know his whole family. Our families are very close. I was like an older brother to him." Ramanya went to Mexico to find BV and with Nandaprana das convinced him to share what he was comfortable speaking about, and they tape recorded an interview at Durlab's home.

BV had been fearful for 20 years of certain ISKCON sannyasis. He asked, "Where is Tamal?" He was nervous and concerned for his family's safety. When devotees came looking for him sometimes, he always hid out of fear. Once, he heard that Tamal and two disciples searched for him in Cuernavaca. BV related memories on tape from his days in Vrindaban. He spoke as a simple, scared man, in Spanish and imperfect English. Srila Prabhupada had initiated him, and after all these years, he still spoke like a devotee. He had 3 dreams of Srila Prabhupada telling him "to speak the truth" and he remembered all the leader's names, explaining he was always serving sannyasis and cleaning Srila Prabhupada's rooms. Naveen translated the tape from Spanish in Oct. 1999. Adhoksaya was his older brother.

### MAIN POINTS FROM BV's TAPED TESTIMONY

(1) BV asked why did Bhavananda sprinkle the food with deity "holy water" for "purification," before it was brought to Srila Prabhupada? (2) When BV reported this to the headmaster, Jagadisha das, he was heavily reprimanded. (3) Twice he saw a group of GBCs having loud arguments, whether there should be one person in charge of ISKCON or to divide it up. Once Bhavananda punched Ramesvara, making his lip bleed. (4) He found two cassette tapes hidden under Srila Prabhupada's mattress in early 1978 which he believed were recorded by the leading gurus. (5) He took and hid them in a hole behind a wall picture in his room. (6) Bhavananda, Jayapataka, Tamal and others searched everywhere for these missing tapes. (7) The day he left for Mexico, Bhakticharu searched his luggage, finding the two tapes. (8) BV never listened to these tapes; he believed they were very important to the gurus since they had looked so hard to recover them.

## NOW THAT TAMAL AND OTHERS ARE FINISHED...

"I cleaned the ashrams, I studied, and go and do the cleaning in the ashrams and Prabhupada's quarters, and take care of sannyasis... I used serve to Lord Krishna and all the gurus and sannyasis. I used to help cleaning especially Prabhupada's sleeping quarters, and also go in his kitchen. I used to help to prepare his meals, to clean the kitchen, I used to observe who used to cook and prepare meals of Srila Prabhupada."

BV declined to speak further and he wanted more time before saying more, and *it was clear to Ramanya and Nandaprana that there was much more he had to say but he was too afraid.* Ramanya was convinced BV did not reveal all he had to say, out of fear of Tamal and others, and that he should be interviewed again. Durlab passed away in 2015, and Ramanya does not know where Mantri can be found. There must be other devotees in Mexico that could verify BV's speaking of overhearing the caretakers discussing poisoning, such as Astika das, leader of Mexico City's Sridhara Maharaja group, and Radha Krishna das, formerly from the Spanish BBT. BV spoke to many devotees about the poisoning in the late 70's in Mexico, long before the issue became public. A legal deposition with BV is needed. Where are Mantri, Nandaprana, Adhoksaya (his brothers) or other Mexican devotees who knew him, who can confirm Bhakta Vatsala's and Durlab's testimonies.

#### CONCLUSIONS

"Visat: 'from poison.' [...] Dhritarastra and his sons, they conspired to give them poison." (SPLect Oct. 4, 1974)

When Srila Prabhupada said he had been poisoned in Nov. 1977, one of the discussion topics was the *poisoning* of a Sankaracharya guru with powdered glass, who suffered horribly for six months. Thereafter none of these gurus would eat unless cooked by their own men. Historically, *poisoning* in India was very common. Srila Prabhupada told of his Godbrother Ananta Vasudeva who committed suicide with *poison* after his wife was found with a lover by his young son, whom the mother *poisoned*. Bhaktisiddhanta Saraswati was concerned of being *poisoned* by doctors and injections. But was *poisoned* in late 1936, confirmed by Bhaktisiddhanta's brother Lalita Prasad (*from Yasodanandana das*).

An Apr. 30, 2001 article "Gunmen of the Gods" quoted Divyanandji Maharaja: "There have been many incidents in the past when a disciple has killed a head priest for ownership of the property attached to the religious places. There are miscreants who want to grab the land either by dethroning the head priest or implicating him in false cases or even eliminating him physically." Maharaja always has his armed "commandos." "Most of us have firearms for our own personal security and to fight unscrupulous operators who are disguised as sadhus."

Mahant Anoop Das of Khaki Akhara always has two disciples and firearms with him, as the 13 acres attached to the temple makes him a target. In 1977 ISKCON had assets 1000s of times more valuable. The

temptation for material gain in ISKCON was very attractive to disciples with selfish dispositions. No one should be naïve; to achieve a status "as good as God" is certainly motive enough to murder one's guru to sit in his seat. *Kill guru, become guru.* "Poison claimed the lives of many acharyas and temple priests in India. By my count, the same year Srila Prabhupada passed away, no less than five other 'acharyas' in the Mathura-Vrindaban district also passed away, and poison was suspect in every case. Guru poisoning is the same old story." (Saksi Gopal das)

These accounts re: Srila Prabhupada's poisoning supplement the cadmium hair test evidence that scientifically *proves* he was homicidally poisoned. They are part of the record. There is much more evidence "out there." For those implicated in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning: your days in hiding are numbered, the truth will come out, and you will receive your dues either in this life or the next. Confession now would greatly relieve your karma and bring some relief, or otherwise you will be punished mercilessly without leniency. You will be found out.

From Mahabharata, Kashyapa Muni said: "If one knows the truth but does not disclose it upon being questioned, or, if out of anger, fear, or some other motive, one gives a false reply, then he is bound up by 1,000 nooses of Varuna... If someone commits a sinful act in an assembly, then it is the duty of all those who are present to chastise the wrong doer. If they fail to do so, then the perpetrator of the sin receives one-fourth of the reaction, the leader of the assembly has to accept one-half, and all others present suffer one-fourth. A witness is one who has seen, heard of, or otherwise understood a thing, and he should always tell the truth, for in that way his pious merit will never suffer diminution."

## CHAPTER 18: FOUR KAVIRAJAS AGREE ON POISONING

Multiple, reliable, and separate sources have confirmed that four Ayurvedic kaviraja-physicians in Oct. and Nov. 1977 each independently and collectively arrived at a diagnosis of poisoning for Srila Prabhupada.

This conclusion was reached from different pieces of published materials, interviews with Balavanta, Nalinikanta, and others, as well as the tape recordings, and the kavirajas themselves. *A few dots were connected using common-sense*. The full account is given in Vol. 1.

Bonamali kaviraja had an Ayurvedic practice and dispensary in

Gopinath Bazaar, Vrindaban. Srila Prabhupada was his old friend before going to America in 1965, and he used to visit his dispensary to talk about philosophy and medicines. On July 12, 1977, after Srila Prabhupada had come back to Vrindaban to prepare for his physical departure, he called for Bonamali to diagnose and treat his persistent, unexplained illness. Bhakticharu was sent to visit Bonamali, who came and diagnosed an inability to pass urine or stool. His prescribed a weeklong, milk only diet, cow dung ashes over the body, and various medicines. After three weeks Srila Prabhupada discontinued this program, though it was somewhat beneficial. Although Bonamali was not officially dismissed, other kavirajas and doctors continued to visit and make prescriptions during and after Bonamali's program.

## MORE PHYSICIANS AND DR. K. GOPAL

Coming back to Vrindaban again, on Oct. 3 Bonamali was called and once again examined Srila Prabhupada, finding there was no illness and only weakness, recommending a special diet and medicines to gain strength. This shows how poisoning is so stealthy. One medicine produced more coughing and Srila Prabhupada decided not to use Bonamali again, asking Tamal to invite his old friend Dr. G. Ghosh from Allahabad to come treat him instead. Tamal declared Bonamali to be a "dishonest man," supposedly for raising his fees by a few rupees. But both Gopal Chandra Ghosh of Vrindaban Institute (another old friend of Srila Prabhupada) and Bonamali's son Braj Dulal Goswami deny this is true. Tamal deliberately created misgivings about Bonamali. Gopal Chandra Ghosh quoted Bonamali as saying, "I do not even want to sell them [medicines for Srila Prabhupada]." On Oct. 6 Srila Prabhupada asked Tamal to call another local kaviraja, Narottama Lal Gupta, who was also an old acquaintance. But Tamal steadfastly resisted this.

On Oct. 15 Bonamali came again and again found there was no illness, simply weakness. By Oct. 27 no doctor/kaviraja had been attending Srila Prabhupada for days. Late at night Adridharan in Calcutta was called to confirm approval for his bringing to Vrindaban a Ramanuji kaviraja that had been found in Calcutta, a Damodara Prasad Sharma "Shastri." Oct. 27, 1977: *TKG: It may be we should take on Bonamali again? Prabhupada:* And stick with him? *BHAV:* Kaviraja must be there all the time. (*TKG's Diary, p. 304*) Bonamali had been absent from Srila Prabhupada's care since Oct. 15, and despite Tamal's earlier accusations about his "dishonesty," it was decided to call him again. Two devotees were then sent on Oct 27 or 28 to request Bonamali's son, Braj Dulal Goswami (BDG), who has continued the family

Ayurvedic practice and dispensary after his father's death.

## **BONAMALI'S URINE TEST**

A 2001 interview of BDG by Jitarati, Mandapa, and others at his Vrindaban medical shop was recorded on a 25 min. audio CD, paraphrased, summarized as follows:

"My father was treating Srila Prabhupada, but he stopped... some other kaviraja was treating. When they came back again later [late Oct.] to my father for treatment, he was cautious, knowing other kavirajas were also treating Srila Prabhupada. He did not want to become involved without first doing urine sample and basic examination as a standard practice. He said to the two devotees who had come, 'I will not treat until I have urine sample.' I was 17 at the time and was my father's compounder. I was standing right there [points to a place nearby]. The next day the two devotees came back by rickshaw and brought the Swamiji's urine sample in a 50 gram Dabur honey jar. Bonamali lifted this bottle up to the sunlight. The urine sample contained three layers, three rings, and the colors were separate. My father turned and said to me, 'This is poisoning. The first layer is blood, the second is bone, and the third is marrow. This is slow poison. After giving this poison; the man will die slowly, slowly... no one can judge what is happening.' This thing my father explained me then and there, and he told them also, the two devotees, 'I think it is poison.""

Bonamali then declined to resume Srila Prabhupada's treatment, for two reasons: (1) that other kavirajas were involved, and (2) the confirmation of poisoning from the urine test. Braj Dulal Goswami explained that *his father must have been afraid now that poisoning was understood*. Bonamali's diagnosis of poisoning was the first known instance of someone becoming aware of the poisoning. BDG did not know if his father had determined the type of poison involved. He said slow poisoning saps the energy and rots the body internally. This is amazingly verified: **SP:** *Bichar hi... jo idhar me to... sarte sarte bilkul sab energy nasht ho gaya. Usliye parikama jayega.* (My thoughts are... that here... I am rotting and rotting. All my energy is wasted. That is why I want to go on parikrama.) Tape T-46A; ConvBk Vol. 36.

"Prabhupada was becoming increasingly weaker, despite the medicine. The kaviraja (Shastri) said all organs except for the kidneys, were all right. There was no blood, marrow, flesh, or muscles." (TKG's Diary, p. 332) Abhinandana in 2004 confirmed:

"...in 1997 I visited Bonamali's son. He is ready to testify, he is my friend. He said he saw the test tube of urine with the dhatus (bone, blood, flesh, marrow etc) separated in layers and different colors. Bonamali said, 'You see, this means poisoning, his body is dissolving, and my medicine is useless, therefore I will stop treating Him.'"

## DR. GOPAL GHOSH WITNESSES BONAMALI'S URINE TEST

Dr. Gopal Chandra Ghosh, Srila Prabhupada's old friend and Head Librarian at Vrindaban Research Institute, was at Bonamali kaviraja's dispensary, on Oct. 27/28, 1977. As seen in *Our Srila Prabhupada* by Mulaprakriti dasi, Dr. Ghosh was Bonamali's good friend. He personally witnessed Bonamali's Ayurvedic analysis of Srila Prabhupada's urine, and in 2002 described the incident to Sakshi Gopal das when interviewed at the Institute (which preserves old historical documents and artifacts):

"Bonamali put down a plantain leaf. I was standing behind him looking over his shoulder. He had Swamiji's urine sample in a Dabur honey bottle. Carefully he put down a drop on the leaf and then added some Vedic powder. First the liquid went green and then slowly it turned a dirty brown. He did this thrice. Then he turned to us and said, '**This is poison. Swami Prabhupada has been poisoned.**'"

The double confirmation of Bonamali's urine analysis by Dr. Ghosh and Braj Dulal Goswami greatly strengthens this evidence. The Dabur honey bottle was confirmed by two separate witnesses, interviewed separately, confirming the credibility of both accounts. Nityananda das:

"In March 2004 I visited Vrindaban. I found Dr. Ghosh at the Vrindaban Research Institute. Eighteen months earlier he had suffered a stroke and heart attack, and was now very deaf, irritable, and almost unable to walk. My communication attempts turned to writing my questions on paper. 'Did you witness Bonamali perform a urine test for Srila Prabhupada, and what was the result?' He became quite agitated and began loudly stuttering. I pointed to the question again and again. Finally he said coherently: 'I heard about this urine test from Bonamali-I used to visit his shop very often- but because of my illness, my stroke, heart attack, I cannot now remember the results. But you should go and ask Bonamali's son Braj Dulal Goswami, he will tell you everything.'

Dr. Ghosh then meticulously wrote down from his sharp memory Braj Dulal Goswami's name, clinic name, and exact Vrindaban address. Obviously he did not want to tell me the urine test results that he very well remembered. Again I asked, and he said in a guarded tone: 'Yes, the urine test showed something very untoward, something very unusual. Maybe the medicines caused the very negative results of the urine test. Ask Braj Dulal.' Was it poison, I asked? Dr. Ghosh became agitated and animated, and said I should go and study the artifacts, waving his arms at the exhibits. The exhibits were interesting, but his testimony more so. He would not confide in a white Westerner. Sakshi Gopal was Bengali and Dr. Ghosh had confided in him in 2002. He knew Braj Dulal would explain his father's urine test, so referred me there to get the real story which he himself was reluctant to go on record with. Also he was wary of the ISKCON complex which was almost next door."

### CONFIRMATION FROM BRAJ DULAL GOSWAMI

"During my 2004 Vrindaban pilgrimage I could not catch up with Braj Dulal Goswami. He was filmed in a 2005 documentary shown on Star TV in India wherein he again confirmed his father's determination of poisoning. URL: www.youtube.com/watch?v=0h4YmilaL-c In March 2010 my mother-in-law visited BDG in Vrindaban and put me on the phone with him. I spoke to him from Fiji, and asked whether he had seen his father test Srila Prabhupada's urine and heard his father declare that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. He was at first rather cautious, but gradually relaxed and opened up. He was concerned for his life, stating that ISKCON was very powerful, that he was now 50 and had to think of his family and their future safety and livelihood.

"Since he had spoken to Sakshi Gopal in 2002, he no longer had patients or customers from ISKCON. After he spoke on the 2005 Indian television documentary arranged by Sakshi Gopal, he had indirectly received warnings from ISKCON that what was done was done, but he should not be involved with the poison controversy again. But he said he was devoted to the truth, and he stood by his statements in JFY and on the Star TV show. However, if he was to make these statements in print with an attorney or to a court, he asked how we could protect his family. Braj Dulal had been intimidated and was now cautious about further exposing his family to danger. I thanked him and promised to visit him on my next trip to Vrindaban." (Nityananda das, 2012)

Braj Dulal Goswami is a brave man dedicated to the truth, even at personal risk. He is a significant witness and we pray for his safety.

## DAMODAR SHASTRI TAKES UP THE TREATMENT

Just before midnight on Oct. 28, Damodar Prasad Sharma "Shastri," the Ramanuji Calcutta kaviraja, arrived with Adridharan in Vrindaban. He enthusiastically took up Srila Prabhupada's treatment, confident of success in a full recovery. He found fresh herbs from local forests. Shastri needed an *assistant kaviraja*, herbal ingredients, and glass distillation equipment to prepare his own medicines. Srila Prabhupada sent Shastri to Narottama Lal Gupta's Ayurvedic clinic near Loi Bazaar, to borrow what he needed. Dr. NL Gupta told Nityananda in 2004 he went into the forests with Shastri to find medicinal herbs, advising Shastri on Srila Prabhupada's medical history and previous treatments, and that Shastri also consulted with Bon Maharaja and Vishwambhar Goswami of Radha Raman Mandir. Shastri met a young kaviraja at the Vrindaban Rangaji temple, employed him as his assistant, and on Oct. 29 Bhakticharu and Shastri went to see him. *Shastri also went to Bonamali's dispensary*. Shastri diligently, enterprisingly *networked* in Vrindaban and Delhi, and he built an informal Ayurvedic team to collaborate in treating Srila Prabhupada. However, Dr. NL Gupta did not favor Bonamali, saying he was not a certified, college-trained physician, and it was clear there were very poor relations between the two families.

## PRABHUPADA'S OLD FRIEND NAROTTAMA LAL GUPTA

After a long time, Dr. Narottama Lal Gupta again met Srila Prabhupada around Oct. 6, 1977 after some devotees came to his dispensary saying that Srila Prabhupada had asked to see him. ConvBk35.122, records Srila Prabhupada's desire for Sacidananda das to bring a father and son doctor team near the post office and Loi Bazaar to see him. *Tamal strongly opposed the idea*. This doctor team, who practiced both Ayurvedic and allopathic medicine, *was Narottama Lal Gupta and son Liladhar Gupta*. Dr. NL Gupta came and saw Srila Prabhupada's condition was very serious. But Dr. NL Gupta's efforts at treatment were confused and mixed up with those of other kavirajas and doctors, and no one's treatment was effective. Dr. NL Gupta was just one in the parade of 1977 doctors.

## THREE KAVIRAJAS DECIDE ON POISONING

After a week or so, when the combined, tireless efforts of Shastri, Dr. NL Gupta, Bonamali and others met with no results, they shared their frustrations in improving Srila Prabhupada's condition. Shastri must have learned about Bonamali's poison test and told NL Gupta about it in early Nov. 1977. Dr. Gupta told Sakshi Gopal das in 2002:

"When it was discovered that the medicines were having no effect, the three kavirajas working on Swamiji met to discuss the problem. After much deliberation all three of us expressed the same opinion that Srila Prabhupada's body **had been poisoned**. In all possibility the poisoning was chronic and had been administered over a period of many months. Srila Prabhupada was also saying that he had been poisoned. When we coupled his complaint to the unresponsive nature of his illness, we concluded that no matter how many purias (medicines/doses) we prescribed, Swamiji would not respond to the treatments. Unless we prepared a formula to first treat the poison in Swamiji's body, nothing was going to work. So we began searching for the necessary ingredients to **combat the poison**. But in that time Srila Prabhupada left his body. I still have the formula somewhere, it will take some looking to find it."

The poison antidote prescription was written down on a paper, but

Dr. NL Gupta could not find it in his dispensary and its whereabouts are now unknown. Some prescriptions are in Vrindaban ISKCON Srila Prabhupada museum's safe or displays. In 2004 Nityananda saw 3 medical prescriptions written by Shastri in the display showcase of the Vrindaban ISKCON museum. After his 2002 interview with Dr. NL Gupta, our Australian team member wrote Nityananda:

"Yes, I interviewed Narottama das kaviraja in Vrindaban. His revelations were amazing. He openly disclosed to me many things that **confirmed Srila Prabhupada was poisoned**. There is no doubt in my mind he would have said the same to Balavanta... hasn't Balavanta [told] what Narottama told him? When I went back later, his son Lila practically threw me out."

The following year in 2003 Sakshi Gopal went again with Jitarati das to speak further with Dr. NL Gupta, but his son Liladhar would not allow it. Liladhar had more or less taken over the clinic although his father still saw a few of his own longtime patients. The son had decided to be "neutral" and would not be pulled into the poisoning controversy. When Nityananda went to see NL Gupta in 2004, his son again prevented his father from saying much.

## **BALAVANTA AND NALINIKANTA CONFIRMATIONS**

In Balavanta's March 2000 report to the GBC: "I informally interviewed Dr. Narottama Lal (Gupta) who attended Srila Prabhupada in Vrindaban. He informed me that there should be no arsenic (99.9% for certain) in Makharadhwaja. He also stated that in his opinion, Srila Prabhupada had symptoms of liver damage. This, he thought, could lead to kidney damage and could also be responsible for swelling."

Balavanta and Nalinikanta went together to interview Dr. NL Gupta in Vrindaban on Apr. 9, 1999, and their separate testimonies and their written notes to our investigation team (PTC) were obtained. These notes contained much more than what was reported by Balavanta in his brief report to the GBC. Following is a composite report with the complete information: (compiled by Nalinikanta, Nityananda)

"There were three Indian doctors involved in the last treatments of Srila Prabhupada: Dr. NL Gupta, Damodara Shastri, and Bonamali. Srila Prabhupada told each of these kavirajas that he wanted nothing but what they gave him and that Srila Prabhupada would make note of it by writing it down. All three kavirajas became worried because they noted what appeared to be **poisoning symptoms**. All three were certain Srila Prabhupada was not suffering from advanced diabetes, and they decided the problem was an external cause, which **appeared to be poisoning**. Tamal was warned that no strong medicines, especially those that might have arsenic [or mercury] in it, should be given to Srila Prabhupada. This shows they did not believe the poisoning was intentional. NL Gupta thought Srila Prabhupada had a liver disease.

"At first the three kavirajas did not suspect malicious poisoning, but may have later come to think it was intentional, and not the result of inappropriate or too many medicines. Nalinikanta saw an impression of distrust and suspicion from NL Gupta regarding an intentional poisoning, writing on Feb. 7, 2016: "I was there in person (1999). The younger Dr. Liladhar Gupta first received us and Balavanta explained that he was doing an investigation of the poisoning of Srila Prabhupada and wanted Dr. Narottama Lal Gupta's opinion. Dr. Liladhar Gupta first asked 'Are you from the GBC?' Balavanta said no, that this was an independent investigation. So after getting this assurance, then Dr. NL Gupta came downstairs to the room and he told us that yes, he had seen all the symptoms of arsenic poisoning. What I remember is that he was brief, and said yes, he saw all the symptoms of arsenic poisoning and he had said this to the people in Srila Prabhupada's room. That was it. The son did not contradict what his father said, did not say anything much. Then we left and they said if we come again he would meet us again."

Arsenic poisoning is well known and it is no surprise that cadmium poisoning would look like arsenic poisoning; their symptoms are same.

## DR. N L GUPTA INTERVIEW IN 2004 by Nityananda das

In March 2004 I interviewed the elderly Dr. NL Gupta who still attended to walk-in patients most mornings of the week. I took my Hindi friend Yogesh with me to translate. After discussing his relationship with Srila Prabhupada, I asked if he thought Srila Prabhupada had been poisoned, and he suddenly became very nervous and agitated. He said (paraphrased): "There was no poisoning. In the last month some of Prabhupada's urine was brought, and I tested it. But it showed no poisoning. This is the proof." I reminded him of what he had told Balavanta and Nalinikanta in 1999, before his son Liladhar had started giving ISKCON Ayurvedic seminars abroad. Then he said: "Damodara Prasad Shastri and I determined that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned due to too much Western medicine that was not properly prescribed. The overload of toxins became poison."

Before I could ask if his urine test showed poisoning after all, Dr. NL Gupta walked out. Soon his agitated son Dr. Liladhar Gupta rushed in and took over the interview quite aggressively. I calmed him down by paying for a medical consultation on my own health. Then I told Liladhar that Bonamali, as confirmed by Braj Dulal Goswami, had done a urine test in late Oct. 1977 and confirmed an intentional, malicious

poisoning which was not from medicines, and he fumed with great animosity that Bonamali was not a college-trained Ayurvedic physician. He did not know if Shastri had consulted with Bonamali. I mentioned that his father was brought some of Srila Prabhupada's urine to test for poison. Liladhar replied (paraphrased): "Yes, but that urine test was not capable of checking for poisons; it was to gauge the bodily strength, how much age is left, like a pulse reading. No longevity was left. He had no life remaining. Even if Prabhupada was poisoned, what good will it do to bring it up now? The kidneys and liver were malfunctioning due to an over-exposure to toxins from medicines. He had a long-term, preexisting kidney ailment that caused swelling of the hands and feet."

This really sounded like he was coached what to say by ISKCON's foreign seminars sponsors. Why would a urine test show no poison if it was not for testing poison? Father and son had contradicted each other about their urine test. Why had their testimony changed from what they told Balavanta (1999) and Sakshi Gopal (2002)? Were they pressured to deny poisoning? My clear impression was that the agitated father and son were not being honest, and were intimidated by ISKCON (or why their agitation?) The economic stakes in their future ISKCON business tours would be a powerful motive for dishonesty. Liladhar proudly gushed about going to America to teach Ayurveda and that he was going again soon. Surely, to speak truth to me would end his foreign tours under ISKCON sponsorship. Still, I got some confirmation of the earlier interviews by Balavanta and Sakshi Gopal. (END)

## SRILA PRABHUPADA TOLD ABOUT THE POISONING

Thus, we conclude, a few days before Srila Prabhupada's departure, Shastri, Bonamali, Braj Dulal Goswami, Dr. NL Gupta, Liladhar Gupta, and Dr. Gopal Chandra Ghosh, at least six persons, had come to know of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, whether *intentional or accidental*. Surely these six relayed this explosive news to others, and it circulated amongst the Vrindaban locals. On Nov. 9 Srila Prabhupada repeats this news himself: *"Someone says that I have been poisoned."* The "someone" is unknown. Then Srila Prabhupada said *"Someone has poisoned me"* and that someone told him he had poisoning symptoms. We surmise that *one of these 6 persons, or someone they had informed, confidentially told Srila Prabhupada* that he had been poisoned and he had poisoning symptoms. This news came either directly from one of his kavirajas, or through others they had told. Tamal did not know Srila Prabhupada had been told, and Tamal asked Srila Prabhupada *who* had told him.

## POISONED INTENTIONALLY OR ACCIDENTLY?

But did these six persons believe Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was

intentional or accidental? Some thoughts: (1) How could they know either way since they did not know which poison or medicines had caused his debilitated condition. (2) They may have naturally assumed poisoning was from too many medicines (although this is not a plausible, see Ch. 28). (3) If anyone spoke of a malicious poisoning, this could have invited trouble and even be dangerous, and so these suspicions would be kept discrete -Bhagatji also thought there was some conspiracy taking place. (4) Dr. NL Gupta said Tamal was warned not to give any strong medicines, but was Tamal told about their poisoning conclusion? (5) Assuming accidental poisoning was more comfortable. (6) When Srila Prabhupada said he was being poisoned (intentionally), Shastri accepted it as true, confirming the suspicions of poisoning.

## **DP SHARMA "SHASTRI" ACCEPTED POISONING**

Kamsahanta das' son Namacharya had long attended the Mayapur gurukula. Dr. Ramesh K. Sharma, the son of Damodara Prasad Sharma ("Shastri," Srila Prabhupada's last kaviraja), used to visit Mayapur and the two became very good friends. In 1994 Dr. RK Sharma confided to Namacharya that his father Damodara Shastri spoke often to him about how Srila Prabhupada had been *maliciously poisoned*. In May 2002 our Asian team found Damodara Prasad Sharma's son, Dr. RK Sharma, at their family home, Kalakar St, Calcutta, and when Dr. RK. Sharma was asked if his father Damodara Prasad Sharma had told him that Srila Prabhupada *was poisoned, he nodded, yes, to the affirmative*.

Damodar Prasad Shastri passed away in 1996. Unfortunately, Srila Prabhupada's last kaviraja expired prior to the rise of the poison issue. Kamsahanta das stated that Damodara Prasad Shastri himself never went back to an ISKCON temple after Srila Prabhupada passed away. He was a good-hearted and faithfully religious man, and the poisoning must have affected him deeply. It is no surprise that he never spoke out in the face of such a powerful organization as ISKCON.

"I visited their Kalakar Street clinic in Bagh Bazar, Calcutta in Jan. 1995. His son was not very informative. He stated that upon returning from Vrindaban in 1977 his father said Srila Prabhupada may have been poisoned, but did not go into any detail. At that time Damodara Prasad was at his Village in Rajasthan, on the opposite side of the country, but I failed to visit him." (Abhinanda das)

### CONCLUSIONS

On Nov. 9-10 Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers engaged in the "poison discussions." It was very clear to everyone that Srila Prabhupada thought he had been maliciously poisoned. The poisoners worried they would be discovered. The very next day, Nov. 11, the poison whispers

occur on the tape recordings: "the poison's going down," "Is the poison in the milk?" "poisoning for a long time." Did the poisoners decide to finish their work with a final dose? The answer is obvious.

The poison antidote prescribed by Dr. NL Gupta, probably to cleanse the liver, was never prepared or given, as Srila Prabhupada departed within days. Shastri believed Srila Prabhupada had been poisoned, seen in the 1977 poison discussions and in his son's testimony. Another valuable witness is the young kaviraja from the Rangaji temple, who should be interviewed. Dr. Gopal Ghosh, Dr. NL Gupta, and Braj Dulal Goswami, when interviewed separately, provided complementary and compatible accounts. This is a powerful confirmation through witnesses and medical evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned and confirms the forensic hair tests evidence, the final conclusive proof.

Four kavirajas: Shastri, NL Gupta, Braj Dulal Goswami, Bonamali.

## CHAPTER 19: THE PRIMARY SUSPECTS

Srila Prabhupada's poisoning has been scientifically proven by the hair tests and audio forensics. The official GBC resolution, "There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada," makes a mockery of ISKCON leadership. Srila Prabhupada's statements on being poisoned, the certified whispers by caretakers poisoning Srila Prabhupada, and astronomical levels of cadmium in three hair samples are irrefutable proof positive Srila Prabhupada was maliciously, homicidally poisoned. Now we ask who did it? There are obvious suspects based on abundant evidence.

Tamal is found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in Vol. 2: Anti-Prabhupada: The Deviant Impact of Tamal Krishna Goswami on the Hare Krishna Movement. Bhavananda, Bhakticharu Swami, and Jayapataka Swami are closely examined in Vol. 3: Pursuit of Srila Prabhupada's Poisoners, as well as Satsvarupa, Kirtanananda, and others. The arrogant denial by these suspects while they defend each other in whitewash cover-ups and in the face of so much hard evidence, saying there is "no evidence," is in itself a flashing red neon light which says, "We did it!" This chapter is a brief summary only; for further depth of study, refer to Volumes 2 and 3. This abridged and summary version of Vol. 1: Srila Prabhupada's Triumphant Departure focuses on the poisoning crime itself, and Vol. 2 and 3 on who did it.

#### THE CARETAKERS ARE THE PRIMARY SUSPECTS

It is only logical to look closely at Srila Prabhupada's caretaker disciples who had direct access to him during his relentlessly debilitating "illness" of 1977 and at those who would have gained materially from Srila Prabhupada's untimely or premature departure. They had an overwhelming motive to remove Srila Prabhupada from the scene, and what they stood to gain was to them worth the risks and karma of such an abominable deed. And the caretakers and their allies actually did rise to the posts of all-powerful zonal acharyas and good-as-God gurus with thousands of surrendered, loving disciples.

The caretakers (Tamal, Bhakticharu, Bhavananda, Jayapataka) all heard Srila Prabhupada speak about a homicidal, malicious poisoning and they clearly acknowledged this, yet they told no one, did nothing, and never mentioned it again. Then 20 years later when the whispers and poison discussions became public, they denied it had any meaning, saying Srila Prabhupada's words cannot be taken seriously. The GBC, led by Tamal, Bhakticharu, Jayapataka, and their cohorts amongst the elite GBC orchestrated a series of denials and obstructive cover-ups from 1997 onwards. An impartial ISKCON investigation has never been done, but was done by Prabhupada Truth Commission, sticking to the facts, investigative protocols, without baseless accusations or speculations.

Being the speakers of the poison whispers, making conflicting statements from 1977 to 1997 and after, falsely denying the facts, not acting on Prabhupada's poisoning complaints, immensely benefiting from Srila Prabhupada's early departure and unnatural health decline, with overwhelming motive, easy opportunity, and the means, having questionable associations, character, and personal histories... all this makes certain persons highly suspected of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

### **TAMAL: THE PRIME SUSPECT**

Tamal was involved in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning beyond a reasonable doubt, by virtue of the facts and evidence, fully explored in *Volume 2: Anti-Prabhupada: The Deviant Impact of Tamal Krishna Goswami*. Tamal passed away in 2002 after a very checkered and controversial 34 years in ISKCON. Briefly, why he is the prime suspect:

(1) Tamal was in control of Srila Prabhupada's medicines and health care, assisted by Bhakticharu Swami, Bhavananda. (2) Days after Srila Prabhupada's departure, Tamal was interviewed (Ch. 20) and bizarrely stated that Srila Prabhupada had repeatedly asked him for "medicine to die now," implying assisted suicide. He said "We could have done that" –as it was Srila Prabhupada's dying request. (3) Under his watch about 240 tapes went missing with Srila Prabhupada instructions for the future

of the movement. (4) He wanted to be the next sole Acharya, had a lovehate relationship with Srila Prabhupada, suppressing his instructions. (5) His 1980 confession that Srila Prabhupada never appointed gurus, and then his pretense of never confessing, and many other contradictory acts and statements 1977 to 2002, show he was not honest, truthful, or of a trustworthy character. (6) He caused endless havoc for the movement. (7) He was the speaker of two major poison whispers... And much more.

## OTHER PERSONS OF INTEREST

There are a number of other high interest persons regarding Srila Prabhupada's poisoning that are fully explored in terms of facts and evidence in *Volume 3: Pursuit of Srila Prabhupada's Poisoners*.

(1) Bhakticharu Swami (died 2020) is highly suspected in the poisoning. He made many contradictory, false statements, obviously hiding much. He was instrumental in poison cover-ups and was Tamal's 1977 close assistant and protégé and was clearly materially ambitious. Vol. 3 found him 95% surely involved in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

(2) Jayapataka Swami, the most powerful ISKCON guru is suspected in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning: He is the speaker of one poison whisper. He has supported deceptive ISKCON cover-ups of the poisoning evidence. He is political, deceptive, cunning, ambitious. Vol. 3 found him 90% surely involved in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

(3) Bhavananda is highly suspected in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning because he has a history of uncontrolled self-aggrandizement and low character by which he could and did do just about anything, is heard in two of the poison whispers and was Tamal's closest friend. Vol. 3 found him 95% surely involved in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

Many persons should be interviewed, to cross check various testimonies and dig deeper into the truth of the events, as to who is hiding something, who has supported the cover-ups and why, etc. Unfortunately, none are cooperative. Astonishingly they claim it has already been investigated via their own denials of deception and lies. Satsvarupa is a person of interest, as he was close to Tamal, hid Srila Prabhupada's instructions, did Tamal's mercy-killing interview, and knows much more than he has divulged, which is nothing.

### "NOW YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE WHICH SUICIDE"

On the day of the poison whispers, Nov. 10, 1977: **Tamal:** This seems like suicide, Srila Prabhupada, this program. It seems to some of us like it's suicide. **SP:** And this is also suicidal. **Tamal:** (turning to others) Hmm. Prabhupada said "And this is also suicide." (turning back to Prabhupada) Now you have to choose which suicide. **SP:** The Ravana will kill and Rama will kill. Better to be killed by Rama, eh?

That Marica- if he does not go to mislead Sita, he'll be killed by Ravana. And if he goes to be killed by Rama, then it is better.

What an astonishing statement from Tamal, spoken very cooly, calmly, and if one listens to the tape, a clear undertone of sarcasm! Many believe Srila Prabhupada marked Tamal as ISKCON's Ravana.

### **RECORDED AUDIO IN LAST WEEKS**

(1) Oct. 22, 1977: SP: ...Don't move me to the hospital. Better kill me here. [...] But if you are disgusted, that is another thing. (2) Nov. 3, 1977: SP: That is my only request, that at the last stage don't torture me and put to death. (3) Nov. 9: Srila Prabhupada said someone told him he was being poisoned. The caretakers discuss Srila Prabhupada's being poisoned and acknowledge a homicidal, malicious poisoning. Tamal asks who did it, but no answer. (4) Tamal: "He's trying to trap us. He's as sly as they come." (5) Nov. 10: SP again says that someone has poisoned him. (5) Nov. 11: Four forensically certified whispers. "The poison's going down..." "Is the poison in the milk?" "Poisoning for a long time... get ready to go." "It's poison." The speakers of three whispers have been ascertained to be Tamal, Bhavananda, and Jayapataka.

## CHAPTER 20: MERCY KILLING INTERVIEW

### LATE 1977 TAMAL INTERVIEW FOR BTG MAGAZINE

On March 31, 1999, VNN.org published an article with audio clips from a 1977 tape recording that Isha das had found in his personal archives. The tape was an interview of Tamal by Satsvarupa for Back to Godhead magazine, recorded just days after Srila Prabhupada's disappearance. Isha was Satsvarupa's personal assistant at the time, and somehow this tape survived for 20 years. Tamal's interview contains shocking claims unsupported anywhere else. Any remaining doubts one may have that Tamal was a loving and faithful disciple will be put to rest permanently after listening to this tape. Anyone who understands even a little about Srila Prabhupada and then listens to this interview will be profoundly disturbed by Tamal's statements. His chilling voice evolves to a nervous, squeaky high pitch as he claimed that Srila Prabhupada stated: "Can you give me a medicine, please give me a medicine that will allow me to disappear now." To hear this audio recording is the clincher for many, the one thing that dispenses with any remaining sympathy toward Tamal, or doubt that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned.

In his own voice, Tamal is seen as a mastermind calculator of dark intentions, consumed by personal ambition. His mercy killing claims are incriminating, outrageous, evil, and frightening. The creepy, insidious undertones in his vile and stuttering statements are but a defense groundwork for an "untimely departure" with himself having been only compliant with Srila Prabhupada's suicidal last wishes. Tamal justifies a poisoning as the dying request of one in great pain and misery, of one most anxious to "now die." Tamal's portrayal of Srila Prabhupada in this interview, as well as in his bizarre book *The Final Pastimes*, is an atrocious, nauseatingly offensive characterization of the pure devotee.

## **ESSENTIAL EXCERPTS FROM TAMAL'S INTERVIEW**

**Tamal:** "I was going to wait for the proper time to say this, but to me the incidents which stick most on my mind are how in the last few months, Srila Prabhupada would constantly ask to be allowed to, um, die peacefully. **COMMENT:** Allow? Or help him die?

"And, um, how he would constantly succumb to the requests of his disciples not to leave us. Our relationship with Srila Prabhupada has always been one of total submissiveness, and complete, um... So, our position with Srila Prabhupada was one of complete submissiveness to his orders and instructions, his desires, just like a menial servant. It's hardly the position of the servant to, in any way, um, strongly request the master for anything. He should simply receive the instruction or order and carry it out. Yet we found in the later months, in the most recent months, that Srila Prabhupada seemed to be **demanding from us a different type of attitude and emotion**, at least especially from his most personal, you know, servants"

**COMMENT:** SP asked from his most confidential servants (like Tamal) something different, something unusual?

"Um. A number of times he would say 'Can you give me a medicine, please give me a medicine that will allow me to disappear now.' Another time he said 'I want most now to disappear. I want to die peacefully. Let me die peacefully.' Now on one hand we could take it and give him that medicine or let him stop eating and fast until death. We could have done that. And yet it seemed that, of course we could not do that out of our love for him."

**COMMENT:** Asked for medicine to die? Medicine that kills is poison. Assisting Srila Prabhupada to "disappear now," "seemed" difficult due to their love for him, but "we could have done that." So did "they" give "medicine" to die? Tamal hints at this but then chickens out.

"...there wasn't really a question that he would live for a long time. But even though it was only a short time we wanted him to stay with us. And he would bring us to the point of complete despair, he would stop all doctors, all medicines, and bring us to the point where there was no return, where he would say 'Now there's nothing left but for me to die' I feel that these last months with Prabhupada were the most important months I ever spent with him. And, ah, somehow I feel that by seeing the way he acted and the way he dealt with me personally, that ah, that I'll be, ah... You can take this part off, this last sentence. Somehow, I feel ???... I mean I want to say something, but I'd prefer not to say it."

**COMMENT**: What was Tamal going to say? Why does he hesitate? Is he afraid we won't understand how the penultimate act of Tamal's loyalty to Srila Prabhupada was to assist him to "disappear"? That Srila Prabhupada trusted Tamal in this final test of submission and love? That Tamal was asked to give Srila Prabhupada some kind of medicine to die?

**Satsvarupa:** ...a different kind of question. Right in the beginning without too much explanation you were talking about **Prabhupada** asking for something to let him disappear, that he wanted to die.

**COMMENT**: Satsvarupa understood and accepted the mercy killing scenario, and wanted to explore it further. Just months later he also became one of the 11 new initiating ISKCON gurus, assuming command of a slice of ISKCON. Was he among "at least a few of us" whom Srila Prabhupada called upon to help him "die now," or was he just a silent consenter, an accessory after the medicine to die? Why would Srila Prabhupada be in distress about being poisoned if, as Tamal claims, he wanted his own "mercy killing"? This is totally contradictory and shows Tamal's mercy killing to be a cover-up of a homicidal poisoning.

**Tamal:** ... Prabhupada recently said, 'It is becoming unbearable.' We can understand that it wasn't simply the material pain that was becoming unbearable, but that Prabhupada also wanted to be with Krishna, and not be burdened with this physically incapacitated body. [...] **Tamal:** Oh yeah, painful. That why should he be burdened or incap... with this physically, you know, burdensome form.

**COMMENT:** This is absolute nonsense. If Srila Prabhupada repeatedly asked for medicine to die, there was no crime in poisoning him because that's what he wanted? Poisoner Tamal is clean because Srila Prabhupada wanted to die and Tamal was faithfully serving his final wishes... He was just following orders? His excuse for poisoning...

## SRILA PRABHUPADA ASKED FOR MEDICINE TO DIE?

Tamal's statements are very frightening and are an assault on our understanding of Srila Prabhupada's stature as a fully self-realized soul.

(1) ... in the last few months Srila Prabhupada would constantly ask to be allowed to die peacefully. (2) A number of times he would say

"Can you give me a medicine, please give me a medicine that will allow me to disappear now." (3) Another time he said "I want most now to disappear." (4) I want to die peacefully. (5). Let me die peacefully. (6) ...we could take it and give him that medicine or let him stop eating and fast until death. We could have done that. (7) ...not be burdened with this physically incapacitated body. (8) That why should he be burdened or incap... with this physically, you know, burdensome form.

At least 6 times Tamal claims Srila Prabhupada wanted assistance with "disappearing" now, or an unnatural, immediate, assisted death. Tamal was rationalizing Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, now proven by the cadmium hair tests. Assisted suicide, mercy killing? Justifiable and compassionate homicide? Or was it really poisoning the pure devotee?

### TAMAL PREPARED A EUTHANASIA DEFENSE

Tamal worried the poisoning was about to be discovered and he was rehearsing his "mercy killing" explanation. The poison discussions Nov. 9-10 must have gotten a number of people asking questions, and Tamal worried the truth would become public. Rumors or leaks from those who knew or suspected the poisoning, or from the "poison discussions" when Srila Prabhupada spoke of being poisoned- pushed Tamal to talk about "medicine to die." Many had discussed and heard about Srila Prabhupada's poisoning on Nov. 9-10 and the news was spreading. *Even the kavirajas had concluded poisoning.* Tamal felt pressured to hone his defense that Srila Prabhupada asked to be assisted in dying. This sinister, clever defense was just in case the situation blew up. This was Tamal's radical rationale for a poisoning, doing the groundwork for a "mercykilling" defense if Srila Prabhupada wanted to die peacefully by being given "medicine," which now we know was the poison cadmium.

But after this one private interview, Tamal never mentioned assisted suicide again, presumably because the poisoning lay hidden for 20 years until it looked him back in the face. Even after the poison issue became public upon discovery of the poison whispers in 1997, Tamal never revisited his mercy-killing claims. Why? Because he changed his strategy, that's why. It was typical of Tamal to come up with radical positions and then drop them, just like with his Topanga Canyon confessions in 1980 and his support for Narayan Maharaja in 1995. This phenomenon is the hallmark of deviation and untruthfulness.

## EUTHANASIA CONTRADICTS POISON DISCUSSIONS

Tamal's euthanasia claim doesn't fit with the "poison discussions" where Srila Prabhupada raised the topic of being poisoned and was "mentally distressed" over it. If he wanted to die with suicide-assistance,

or he wanted help to die immediately, then why would he bring up his being poisoned or be "distressed" about it? If one wants to die, discovering he was being poisoned should be welcome, no? Why would Tamal later say this was the paranoia of an old, dying man not to be taken seriously, if this was what Srila Prabhupada had asked Tamal to do? Too many contradictions, and it all makes no sense.

If Srila Prabhupada was waiting for Tamal to facilitate his quick death, why talk on Nov. 9-10 about being poisoned? And why would Tamal ask Srila Prabhupada as to who had poisoned him if Srila Prabhupada had asked him to do that? Tamal's mercy-killing claims do not make any sense in relation to anything in Srila Prabhupada's last year, the taped conversations, the philosophy of Krishna consciousness. Therefore we reject Tamal's mercy killing claims as just a bumbling awkward attempt to reframe the homicidal poisoning of Srila Prabhupada as the fulfillment of Srila Prabhupada's last wishes for an assisted suicide. Only Tamal could think of such a sick scheme...

The full chapter on the mercy killing interview (above is an excerpt only) and the full examination of Tamal Krishna Goswami as the certain poisoner-in-chief is found in Vol. 2. The full evidence and details of all the poisoning suspects, examining *who poisoned Srila Prabhupada*, is found in Vol. 3. Of note is that the GBC, nor any ISKCON leader, has ever explained or remarked how Tamal's euthanasia claims are not another evidence of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Their total silence on this subject is another cover-up of the evidence.

# PART SIX: LYING PROPAGANDA

(1) "Make the lie big, make it simple, keep saying it, and eventually they will believe it." (Adolf Hitler)

(2) "No lie can live forever." (Martin Luther King)

(3) "...by too much lying propaganda, truthfulness is spoiled." (SBhag 1.17.25)

(4) "The truth is not for all men, but only for those who seek it." (Ayn Rand)

## CHAPTER 21: ISKCON'S FIRST POISON COVER-UP

#### THEY FEAR THE TRUTH OF SRILA PRABHUPADA'S POISONING

Their frantic efforts at total denial of the obvious evidence, saying there is *no valid evidence*, begs the question: what is the GBC afraid of? Why do they feel that, even in light of mountainous evidence, they must ridicule and dismiss *all of it*? Why the Inquisition and witch-hunt tactics, condemning those wanting truth and an honest inquiry as enemies and envious blasphemers? The GBC used this same approach (1) when devotees objected to the "appointed eleven" zonal acharyas who were imitating Srila Prabhupada, (2) when devotees wanted to discuss the guru-initiation issue, (3) when devotees objected to GBC approval of active child sex abusers as absolute gurus.

The ISKCON GBC-guru hierarchy knows that if Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is factually accepted, that the positions, wealth, perks, and false glories of all who have participated in or supported their bogus guru regime *will be finished*. The poisoners schemed to take Srila Prabhupada's place, which they did via an appointment hoax and then a deviant system where any conditioned soul could become a diksha guru. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning exposes *all ISKCON gurus as complicit beneficiaries of the poisoning*. Everything they have is at stake when their guru system collapses. The "poison theory" threatens all they have established since 1977 since it was based on a homicidal takeover. And to perpetuate their fraud, truth was an early casualty. The GBC engaged in many cover-ups, including the poison issue with lies, misinformation, deceitful denials, and blocking any honest investigation. Is it any surprise so many have totally lost faith in the corrupted ISKCON leadership?

Soon after the appearance of the "poison issue" in late 1997, ISKCON immediately adopted a suppressive cover-up policy on the evidence in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Their first response in late 1997 was a letter issued by Bir Krishna Maharaja and Ravindra Svarupa das which said that Balavanta was investigating the matter and he had already gotten forensic studies which showed the poison whispers to be nothing. They also declared that Srila Prabhupada was not poisoned, etc.

In late 1997 the GBC Executive Committee (without approval of the full GBC) deputed Balavanta to conduct an "independent" investigation into the poison controversy, and expecting he would disprove and put it

to rest completely. In March 1998 at the Mayapur annual GBC meetings, senior GBCs (and suspects) such as Tamal, Bhakticharu and Jayapataka thought the Executive Committee's action had been unwise and rash. The GBC ordered Balavanta's silence. Though Balavanta was employed and funded (albeit inadequately) by the GBC, he was a man of integrity and not a corrupted insider who would "protect" ISKCON's political interests. The poison issue was problematic for some GBCs who were seen as primary suspects (who would not cooperate with Balavanta).

There was a widespread sentiment that the GBC was dishonest, blocking impartial investigation and sharing of the facts and evidence. A trio of Dhanesvara, Rochan, and Nityananda decided to make and distribute an audio CD with the "enhanced" poison whispers and a narrative commentary. Rochan enlisted the help of the very odd Geoffrey Giuliano or "Jagannath das Puripada." Dhanesvara went to his Lockport sound studio in Jan. 1998 to produce a CD. Jagannath "Puripada," who pioneered the Ronald McDonald clown act, then demanded money, and was given \$500. Giuliano also insisted on being the narrator, and on the day of the hour long audio CD's completion, a dangerously angry Giuliano instigated a horrible confrontation with Dhanesvara, who fled without the final CD. Giuliano flew to Europe to meet Harikesh Swami.

Apparently Giuliano stole the finished CD and sold it for \$10,000 to Harikesh, who had abundant cash. Thus the GBC had the audio Poison CD long before its makers did. Harikesh copied the CD for many GBCs. The GBC inner circle sounded an urgent call to action. They were worried about an impending release of a damning "poison audio CD" worldwide. Giuliano claimed the CD was stolen from him and given to ISKCON by Bengali devotees in his ashram who also stole goods and US\$19k cash. He even filed a report with the police. One of the Bengalis, Gaura Daya das, called to say Giuliano stole the CD and sold it to Harikesh Swami. He expressed sympathy, saying that he and his friends had also endured great abuse and exploitation by Giuliano, calling him a psychopath and con-man, and told of shady business practices, fraud, and more.

Then (early 1998) the GBC created The Ministry for the Protection of ISKCON (MPI) which engaged as its spokesman Hari Sauri das, a diehard GBC supporter, and Jahnu das. Balavanta hardly had his investigation going when the GBC elite, including the primary suspects, arranged a cover-up and any honest investigation was doomed. Denial, deceit, obfuscation, subterfuge, and stonewalling was their policy, in a series of cover-ups. The GBCs fell in line behind the suspects to confront the common threat of the "poison theory." One for all, all for one. The "Cover-ups Ministry" was tasked with countering the poison theory, and specifically a CD project which was deemed a great menace. MPI did a rebuttal of the CD, which was expected to flood the devotee world very soon. However, Nityananda das, after listening to the finished CD, decided to abandon the project. He would have gladly sold it himself to ISKCON at a fraction what they paid. The team would continue investigations and a broader report be made later. A book was a better option, and the "Poison CD" was never released. Yet, May 21, 1998, MPI released online their "*REPLY TO THE POISON CD*," thus responding to a CD that was never distributed, and actually increasing awareness of the poison issue, arousing new interest in the investigation. The MPI's deeply flawed response (see Vol. 1) was later included as 38 pages in *NTIAP*, the GBC book of denials (in 2000).

Giuliano also gave a lying interview to Bir Krishna Maharaja claiming Dhanesvara and Nityananda wanted to contrive false evidence and *tamper with the poison whispers* in his sound studio. The GBC used a well-known scoundrel, cut-throat con artist who scammed both sides. Earlier, Giuliano bragged how in ISKCON Toronto he had "taken" the original tape of Srila Prabhupada and Yamuna's Jan. 1977 studio kirtans, which he released under his private label in 1998 as "*The Lost Kirtans*."

# CHAPTER 22: ISKCON'S SECOND POISON COVER-UP

In 1998 Tamal published his *TKG's Diary* he kept in 1977 as Srila Prabhupada's personal secretary, casting Srila Prabhupada's departure as natural. It was a suspect's whitewash, full of tweaked fabrications to undermine the poisoning evidence (see Vol. 2). After the audio CD project was aborted in early 1998, Nityananda continued to engage forensic audio and hair analysis experts. Over a year later Balavanta had not made much progress in his investigation, and there was nowhere anyone could obtain the actual complete facts and evidence. So in May 1999 Nityananda published *Someone Has Poisoned Me* with the categories of evidence on Srila Prabhupada's poisoning: whispers, poison discussions, witnesses, medical symptoms, hair tests, and including Srila Prabhupada's statements that *"Someone has poisoned me."*) It concluded Srila Prabhupada had been maliciously poisoned. 408 pages, 45 chapters, 22 appendices, technical graphs, with a composite 150 page biographical record of Srila Prabhupada's health (see Vol. 4).

Download SHPM online for free: http://killgurubecomeguru.org

Two thousand copies of *SHPM* were widely distributed to devotees worldwide, largely free. It included the major CAE whispers audio forensic study and Balavanta's NAA forensic test finding about 3 ppm arsenic in Srila Prabhupada's 1977 hair. *SHPM* seriously "rocked the ISKCON boat" and created a crisis of confidence. The poison issue was widely and openly discussed, receiving attention in the Indian media. In response, the poison suspects themselves urgently and secretly orchestrated and financed a second fraudulent, deceitful cover-up.

## **BALAVANTA MAKES HIS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

At the 2000 annual India GBC meetings Balavanta finally presented an *initial* investigative report. It was brief, ambiguous, inconclusive, advising further investigation, noting he needed more funding. Many expected Balavanta to accomplish a more comprehensive report after 30 months. His report had some valuable results, but no follow-through. There were no interviews with suspects Tamal, Bhakticharu, Bhavananda, or Jayapataka. In regards to Srila Prabhupada's statements about being poisoned, he somehow incorrectly quoted them, with the impression that Srila Prabhupada had contradicted himself. The notable items in his report included the following:

(1) *NAA Hair Test:* The GBC through Hari Sauri sent Balavanta the hairclippers Srila Prabhupada had used in 1977, which was sent to Dr. Morris at MURR, and who found some hair in the blades, testing them by NAA, finding 2.6 ppm arsenic, or 20 X more than normal.

(2) *Medicine Tests:* Hari Sauri also sent Balavanta some items from Srila Prabhupada's Vrindaban ISKCON quarters, including 3 corked glass vials containing pink Yogendra Ras pellets, which he tested for cyanide, which was negative.

(3) *Expert Opinion:* Balavanta obtained an expert opinion on the arsenic levels in Srila Prabhupada's hair: "Richard Callery, M.D., the medical examiner of Delaware, stated that the arsenic found in Srila Prabhupada's hair would not have been lethal in itself. [...] It is my opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, that this individual, with the history of multiple myocardial infarcts (heart palpitations) and non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus, and considering his age, would be an individual in frail health in which a chronic administration or exposure of arsenic leading to toxic levels would be expected to be a significant contributing condition to his death."

(4) *Drinking Water:* Balavanta tested Srila Prabhupada's 1977 drinking water sources in Vrindaban and Mayapur (India) and they were free of abnormal arsenic levels. So Srila Prabhupada's elevated arsenic was not due to water he drank in India (details in Vol. 1). Yet,

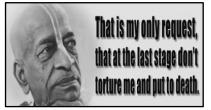
unnecessarily, Balavanta still wondered if the drinking water could be the source of the arsenic, contradicting his own definitive evidence to the contrary. Actually the arsenic contamination in India's drinking water only began with new Red Cross tube wells in the early 1980's.

(5) *Hairclipper Oil:* Balavanta received documentation from Exxon that the hair clipper's lubricating oil contained no arsenic, ruling out external contamination from this factor. Later in 1999 the GBC also received a test report from a branch of the Australian government that the Wahl brand hairclipper oil had no significant arsenic.

(6) Poison Whispers: Balavanta had done some sound analyses at commercial music studios, and had sent a very poor quality tape for analysis to Dr. J.P. French in UK, "an internationally recognized recording analyst." Only one poison word was verified and Balavanta stated: "...the content of the whispers on the tapes is not clearly identifiable. Much is left to the ear of the listener. Although the above authorities have offered opinions as to what the voices likely say, doubt remains as to what they actually say. In other words we have not yet reached and may never reach a level of certainty as to content of the whispers. To a large degree this is inherent in the nature of a whisper; the very act of whispering involves a concealing of the substance if not the existence of the communication." Balavanta's view of the whispers was as skeptical as the GBC's (which they loved). Balavanta meant well, but he had no support and too much to do by alone, with little funding.

(6) *Dr. Narottama Lal Gupta:* Balavanta interviewed Dr. Narottama Lal Gupta, an Ayurvedic kaviraja who attended Srila Prabhupada in 1977. Dr. Gupta said there is no arsenic in makharadhvaja and that Srila Prabhupada had symptoms of liver damage which could lead to kidney damage was responsible for the swelling/edema. Balavanta omitted that Dr. Gupta believed Srila Prabhupada had been poisoned, whether by accident or intention (another unexplainable oversight by Balavanta).

(7) *Funding*: Balavanta and his assistant Naveen Krishna somehow declined to accept extra funding from Harikesh Swami nor approach



Ambarish das (Alfred Ford, Ford fortune heir). Abhinanda das (Public Relations, Vrindaban ISKCON) wrote Naveen Krishna Dec. 18, 1999 that Ambarish das offered to finance a full, legitimate investigation. He suggested

attorney O.P. Sharma for the case (Rs. 100,000). Vineet Narayan introduced Abhinanda das to O.P. Sharma, whom Naveen had met a year earlier. Why was this opportunity missed? A major mis-step.

(8) *Interference:* Balavanta reported that when he was about to test more hair samples, Dr. Morris was harassed by Jayapataka's disciple Deva Gaurahari and the cost for more tests went from free to \$6000, which the GBC (and Balavanta) would not pay. Although ISKCON temples would pay \$9.5M in the child abuse lawsuit, the GBC would not pay \$6000 to investigate the alleged poisoning of the Founder-Acharya. (They were afraid of a confirmation.) Deva Gaurahari then abandoned two Prabhupada hair samples at Univ. of Wisconsin. These samples were later tested by Dr. Morris and found to have sky-high cadmium.

(9) His report concluded: "The investigation is not complete. E.g., Dr. Morris has additional hair samples to analyze. The diagnosis by history has not been accomplished. Additional areas of study can be considered. ... his earthly pastimes and may be significant to the management of his mission, I recommend that the GBC now work toward the resolution of this matter with a view toward reaching a just and objective conclusion."

(10) *Balavanta "Axed":* After presenting his investigative report at the Mayapur GBC meeting March 2, 2000, Balavanta was sidelined and his investigation was axed.

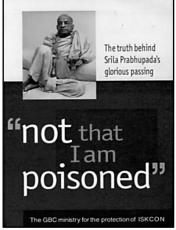
## THE SUSPECTS SURPRISE EVERYONE WITH THEIR OWN "REPORT"

Unknown to Balavanta, a second "investigation," more secret than his own, was launched in mid-1999 just after the release of *SHPM*, orchestrated and financed by the primary poisoning suspects Tamal, Bhakticharu, Jayapataka, with help from their disciples. This was a covert project to prepare a hard-hitting book to bury the poison issue and discredit the evidence in *SHPM*. When Tamal saw that Balavanta was doing honest research and forensics, he teamed up with Bhakticharu and Jayapataka to produce *Not That I Am Poisoned*. This was a rogue project, known only to a few GBCs, to do whatever necessary to defend the suspects and the GBC regime from the truth. Tamal engaged his disciple Tirtharaj das as the coordinator. Jayapataka engaged his disciple Deva Gaurahari das as the author. Bhakticharu and Tamal funded the project expenses and gave \$3000 each for the book printing. Many ISKCON "loyalist" leaders gave their autocratic, hypocritical, and deceitful essays of support.

Tirtharaj had a checkered history (Vol. 6) and by defending the GBC regime he earned brownie points and pardons for his misdeeds. Deva Gaurahari was sponsored on an 8 month European tour with his new wife. Disciples collaborated with their gurus (the suspects) to disseminate disinformation on the poisoning evidence. It was the classic modus operandi of the government minister orchestrating his defense by

use of his office, subordinates, position, influence, while remaining out of sight. Tamal published his diary in 1998 to counter the poison controversy, using his doctored accounts of 1977 events to "reveal" revised history that ruled out any poisoning. Tamal then orchestrated the GBC whitewash book *NTIAP*.

Mandapa das (2017): "Tirtharaj is a Tamal disciple who joined in the 80's, eventually becoming Brisbane Temple President. He bought land to relocate the temple and had fund raisers. Some say he embezzled money. His most famous exploit was allegedly laundering over a million for his Columbian drug cartel contacts. It was all done through ISKCON GBC bank accounts. Tamal then called upon him to smash SHPM with a new cover-up book, which was fraudulent in many ways. Tirtha angaged Deva Gaurahari in his own guru's d



engaged Deva Gaurahari in his own guru's defense and vendetta."

Immediately after Balavanta's report at the GBC meetings, each GBC was given a fresh copy of *NTIAP* and a presentation was made of the "full GBC investigation" on the poison issue. Quickly, the GBC unanimously endorsed the prime suspects' secretly produced and financed, sham whitewash book *NTIAP*. Feb. 24, 2000:

"The GBC body today heard convincing evidence that Srila Prabhupada was not poisoned. After Balavanta's inconclusive report, a presentation convincingly concluded Prabhupada's passing away was due to entirely natural causes. Resolved: (1) **There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada.** This conclusion is based on two independent [??] reports commissioned by the GBC Body. (2) The GBC body endorses the book, "NTIAP," as the most detailed and comprehensive to date, and recommends the book..."

Tamal, Jayapataka, and Bhakticharu (poison suspects) had secretly commissioned their own stealth sham investigation to counter the evidence Balavanta and Nityananda had assembled. While Balavanta was the official GBC investigator, the suspects worked behind his back with a different agenda, even by intimidating Dr. Morris to sabotage Balavanta's further hair tests. The GBC axed Balavanta's work which had given good reason to further investigate Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Balavanta naively thought that there was still honesty and integrity in the GBC. March 2, 2000 was ISKCON's Tiananmen Square massacre of the truth by a tyrannical, corrupt regime. After the GBC's surprise book *NTIAP*, what could Balavanta do? Years later, his investigation files and original documents ended up with the PTC. Being crudely sidelined and ignored, both Balavanta and Naveen Krishna resigned in disgust from the GBC, believing that in fact Srila Prabhupada was maliciously poisoned. Some suspected Balavanta's investigation was partial to the GBC, not truly independent. But Balavanta was in a bind, constricted by the attorney-client privilege (legal rules of ethics). The GBC was his client and he had to represent his employer's interests and instructions. The GBC used him and tossed him aside because he was honest and not compromised by political pressure. He received a GBC e-mail advising he should be concerned for his family's welfare by further participation in the poison investigation. It was a "veiled threat" and he essentially left ISKCON.

## SUMMARY REVIEW OF GBC BOOK NOT THAT I AM POISONED

Many doubts in the solid evidence had been created by the suspects' *NTIAP*, which flatly denied it all as being "beyond absurd," deeming it poisonous for anyone's spiritual welfare. Few devotees had even a basic understanding of the actual facts. Parts per million, diabetes, poison symptoms, and audio forensics- everything was contested the GBC, and thus they had managed to quiet the storm by denying all the evidence, labeling it "the poison conspiracy." The conclusions in *SHPM* remain valid, and since 1999 the evidence has grown immensely, where without doubt the poisoning has been irrefutably and scientifically proven. The GBC has twisted His Divine Grace's words out of context, rewriting them, and deemed "poison conspiracists" as troublemakers, "emotionally wounded" agents of Kali, and destroyers of religion. *NTIAP's* huff and bluff is desperation and *NTIAP* was full of fraud and lies

(1) Rather than speak of evidence of a poisoning, they insist that Srila Prabhupada's caretakers could never have done such a thing, and therefore, they indirectly imply it did not happen.

(2) "...who exactly would want to kill Srila Prabhupada and what was their motive?" Seriously, their evil ambitions are not understood?

(3) "How is it possible to keep such a conspiracy without any leaks for 20 years in ISKCON?" The taped poison whispers and discussions, Srila Prabhupada's statements were not discovered until 1997.

(4) "Bhakticharu Swami did not become a guru until 1987..." Bhakticharu joined in 1977, so 10 years was not long to wait at all.

(5) Abhiram das said the disease was dropsy, etc and that he did see any poisoning in the 3 months he was Srila Prabhupada's nurse. But heavy metals poisoning looks like many diseases and is very hard to recognize, plus he was not even watching for poisoning and he would not have seen who may have added something to the milk once a month.

(6) "These translations and transcripts do in any case <u>reveal a</u> <u>confusing scenario</u>. Srila Prabhupada indicates first to Tamal that he had the symptoms of someone poisoned, not that he was being poisoned. [not true, see Ch. 7)] Later he states more positively that he is being poisoned. While we may never know Srila Prabhupada's mind exactly, or how seriously he took the suggestion that <u>someone may be</u> <u>poisoning him</u>, what we do learn from these transcriptions is that the possibility of his being poisoned is discussed with his disciples present [...] from the idea that an outside person could be deliberately doing it. We also learn Srila Prabhupada [...] referred to "someone" telling him that he was being poisoned. No conclusion was reached." The underlined "honest" portion above in MPI's 1998 report was substituted in NTIAP with: "There definitely was no poisoning conspiracy."

(7) "About the poison 'whispers,' one can completely reprogram his hearing by just wanting to hear something else or has a preconception." The GBC cannot hear what they do not want to hear. Audio forensic laboratories have no such prejudices and many studies have certified the whispers as being evidence of a homicidal conspiracy.

(8) "On the flimsiest excuse for evidence they have accused devotees who love Prabhupada of committing an unspeakably monstrous crime against him, and [...] they have put the lives of devotees in danger." Let's start with an honest investigation, one not run by the suspects. Yes, the whispers alone are not an airtight case for poisoning. But with Srila Prabhupada saying he was being poisoned, certified poison whispers, and forensic hair test results, the conclusion is homicidal poisoning.

(9) "This theory should be dismissed and laid to rest. [...] not be disturbed by elements who do not have the best interest of his society and devotees at heart. The poison is the theory itself." The GBC's dishonest denials, orchestrated by the suspects themselves, is the real poison. They cut off Balavanta's funding and decided to pay for their own luxuries but NOT to test their Prabhupada hair samples which later proved the poisoning. Srila Prabhupada started the poison issue. Should we ignore Srila Prabhupada's words and certified poison whispers? The GBC has been exposed lying and cheating so many times before. MPI admits Srila Prabhupada's statements are "confusing" but then flips to saying "clearly there was no poisoning." Orwellian double talk. See Vol. 2, 3.

(10) All GBCs are tainted by this sinful book, which they know is rubbish meant to obscure the poisoning evidence.

(11) *NTIAP* ridiculously, falsely claimed 10 ppm hair arsenic was normal when scientific studies have found it to be about 0.13 ppm, and thus they claimed Srila Prabhupada's 20 X normal level was fine.

(12) And insisted Srila Prabhupada had advanced diabetes and so, therefore there was no poisoning. [But, could not there be both?]

(13) *NTIAP* gave a twisted misinterpretation that Srila Prabhupada raised the issue of poison only to say he was NOT poisoned (see Ch. 7).

(14) And scoffed at the poison whispers as imaginary nonsense.

(15) Ridiculed the idea of Chandra Swami being suspicious. (Vol.3)

(16) *NTIAP* featured fanatical denials and rhetoric from the suspects.

(17) Various GBCs vilified, criticized Nityananda's character.

(18) Even ISKCON GBCs unaware of the suspects' secretive coverup book project seamlessly and compliantly endorsed *NTIAP* as soon as they saw it, relieved by this "solution" to the poisoning "theory." It is doubted that any GBCs have really studied the poison evidence, or even glanced at their own book of shameful lies and deceit. They did not care it came from the suspects.

(19) In their 2000 meeting, GBCs laughed and joked about the "poison theory." GBC denials had again prevailed over pursuit of truth.

(20) ISKCON's "old boys club" scored another "victory;" members had to toe the party line and submit to the GBC's fraudulent cover-up.

(21) *NTIAP* claimed Srila Prabhupada's high arsenic was due to the Bengal arsenic tainted drinking water crisis which started after 1983 and even though Balavanta found Srila Prabhupada's water sources to be uncontaminated. Later, cadmium was found to be the primary poison, and there is no cadmium crisis in drinking water anywhere in the world.

(22) How could Srila Prabhupada imbibe arsenic from tainted wells that were not drilled yet? His arsenic was not from the water in India.

(23) At the same time, *NTIAP* claimed that 2.6 ppm was not health debilitative, but scientific studies clearly show it is very much so.

(24) Nityananda tested a sample of the last water Srila Prabhupada drank in Vrindaban; It had normal arsenic, antimony, and cadmium.

(25) But Srila Prabhupada's elevated arsenic levels are now secondary to his lethal, sky-high cadmium levels (see Part 1).

(26) *NTIAP* tried to reject the science of hair analysis altogether by exaggerating limitations in scientific methods to falsely discredit them.

(27) *NTIAP* is full of bluff, error, fraud, deceit, smoke and mirrors. It is a crooked script of twisting details to cover-up truth.

(28) *NTIAP* referred to a study done on the devotee residents at Mayapur, without giving results or comparing them to Srila Prabhupada.

(29) *NTIAP* states everyone in Bengal has elevated arsenic, and that this is not a problem, and so Srila Prabhupada's 2.6 ppm was not a problem either. *Then what is the Bengal arsenic crisis all about?* 

(30) *NTIAP* cites arsenic as an abundant element and as commonly found in pesticides to medicines, minimizing its extreme toxicity, saying

"it is everywhere," and so, a little (2.6 pp million) is normal. But the USA's EPA deems over 10 parts per *billion* unsafe in drinking water.

(31) There are 250K souls dying in Bengal with 1-10 ppm hair arsenic but *NTIAP* claims that "up to 10-12 ppm is normal." Fact-check! Wisconsin Laboratory Hygiene Ref. Manual: "concentrations of arsenic in chronic poisoning are generally in the 1-5 ppm range..." USA's EPA says: "...with chronic (arsenic) poisoning range between 1-5 ppm."

(32) NTIAP cherry-picked only 2 scientific studies that "have shown levels of 4.6 ppm (Mexico City) and 3 ppm (Glasgow) average arsenic content of hair in normal populations." Thus they sifted through hundreds of studies to find the 2 highest values, using "extreme outliers" as though being average and normal. This is dishonest cheating.

(33) UN's WHO (1997): "... in people with no known exposure to arsenic the concentration of arsenic in hair is generally 0.02–0.2 ppm."

(34) *NTIAP* claims that "expert" scientists working with hair analysis and neutron activation agree that any amount up to 10 ppm arsenic can be considered normal (*this is absolutely untrue*), quoting Larry Kovar, who corrected himself when later questioned (see Vol. 1).

(35) *NTIAP* laughingly denounced Dr. Morris as not being an expert on arsenic and hair analysis, but based this claim on nothing.

(36) The evidence has evolved from chronic arsenic poisoning to lethal (250 X normal over many months) cadmium poisoning (Ch. 7).

(37) The GBC statements are to be seen as deceptive, erroneous, unscientific, inaccurate, shameful.

(38) Two pre-1977 tests of Srila Prabhupada's hair (pre-poisoning) had normal levels of 0.112 ppm arsenic (averaged), and compared to his elevated levels, there is a jump of 23 X from 0.112 to 2.6 ppm.

(39) *NTIAP* compared seafood eaters' high arsenic levels as therefore being "normal" for Srila Prabhupada, who was vegetarian.

(40) *NTIAP* falsely suggested that Srila Prabhupada's Ayurvedic medicines had enough arsenic to result in 2.6 ppm.

(41) *NTIAP* falsely claimed 2.6 ppm could be from malnourishment.

(42) *NTIAP* misinterpreted that Srila Prabhupada arsenic was normal because he had no skin lesions or Mee's lines. Not correct: Bad science!

(43) UN Synthesis Report On Arsenic In Drinking Water "in people with no known exposure the Arsenic in hair is generally 0.02 –0.2 ppm."

(44) Analytical Research Labs (ARL): Average arsenic is 0.1 ppm.

(45) Chronic arsenicosis begins at 1 ppm. (NTIAP says 12 ppm is ok?)

(46) *NTIAP* dishonestly misquoted from scientific literatures to discredit the science of hair analysis. BUT scientific studies establish that hair analysis gives excellent indicators of abnormal bodily elemental exposures compared to normal levels in human society, especially at

higher levels, as with Srila Prabhupada. It is an excellent indicator of metals poisoning. Hair analysis is widely used in science, medicine, and law, and its reliability, accuracy, and validity is widely accepted in the scientific community when properly performed with advanced equipment and technology, and a few obvious stipulations. The scientific literatures confirm the practical use of hair analysis for study of heavy metals toxicity/poisoning, with deference to variabilities, uncertainties.

(47) In *NTIAP*, Bhakticharu minimized Dr. Morris: "...based on some whispers and an incorrect and dubious analysis of some hairs" but then the *NTIAP* author asked Dr. Morris to test Srila Prabhupada's hair.

(48) *NTIAP* questioned Dr. Morris' tests' accuracy, which were 95% accurate:. in *Sample Q-1* was  $\pm$  0.1 ppm, or 2.5-2.7 ppm. Dr. Morris did not have an accuracy problem, but the GBC has one.

(49) *NTIAP* claimed Dr. Morris' tests were faulty due to external contamination of the samples. But by powerful microscopic examination he found no external contamination/ debris on the hair samples, with no evidence of oils, dust, dirt, chemicals. Srila Prabhupada did not use shampoos, cosmetics, hair creams to externally taint his hair. His massage oils did not contain abnormal (or lethal) levels of cadmium, neither did his Ayurvedic medicines or hairclipper head and oil. He did not have occupational or environmental exposure to heavy metals. His hair levels were far beyond the *tiny, trace amounts* found in various items due to general modern pollution.

(50) The containers in which the hair samples were stored for 20 years were tested and had no abnormal levels of arsenic or cadmium.

(51) *NTIAP* searched scientific literatures for how to twist, to cause doubts, rather than to seek truths, like a lawyer defends a guilty client.

(52) Srila Prabhupada had over 20 X the arsenic in his poison-era hair samples when compared to his own pre-poison hair samples.

(53) *NTIAP* stated that caretakers were talking out loud about poisoning, so whispers about poisoning mean nothing? "Is the poison in the milk?" "The poison's going down" "Poisoning for a long time."

(54) NTIAP stated that the science of audio forensics is bogus and useless, and that "technical analysis is subjectively based on the hearer's ability to put certain sounds together to make coherent phrases. Secondly, the spectrographic method is questionable..." However, this is untrue and just their ridiculous bluff to cause doubts in forensic science.

(55) Several texts re: the bona fides of the audio forensic science: Psychology of Hearing by Brian C J Moore, Pyscho Acoustics by Zweicker and Fastle, Sounds of Speech Communication by JM Pickett, Acoustic Analysis of Speech by RB Kent & Reed. (56) NTIAP's author claimed that "...we took the original archive copy of tape T-46 to 'The Refinery' digital mastering studios in Brisbane, Australia who have done extensive audio forensic work for many different organizations, including the Australian Federal Police." However, it was later learned that this "study" was a hoax, that NTIAP lied about and fabricated several results which were later retracted.

(57) *NTIAP* admitted: "(*we*) *will immediately recognize him* (*Tamal*) *as the speaker of the whisper*." This whisper has been verified by many audio forensic experts to be "*the poison's going down*." [But *NTIAP* had already said the whispers were imaginary, and now they are clear?]

(58) *NTIAP* disputed the "poison's going down" whisper, and totally ignored the other two: "is the poison in the milk?" and "poisoning for a (long) time." Why? None so deaf as those who will not hear.

(59) After denying the poison whispers, *NTIAP* admitted them after all, but that they are irrelevant since they reflect the discussions about poisoning at the time. [So: poison whispers or not?] The logic: (a) poison whispers are imaginary or not about poison (b) they are irrelevant, no surprise they are about poison, as they reflect discussions about "*Not that I am poisoned.*" (d) Tamal asks, "*Who is it that has poisoned?*"

(60) NTIAP: "Because the word 'poison' had been mentioned many times in that particular day's conversation, there really is no mystery as to why the same word would also be found in whispers... were totally innocent." Poison in the milk and the poison's going down... this is innocent? The truth is that both the poison whispers are very alarming.

(61) Srila Prabhupada spoke of being poisoned several times, and all the caretakers acknowledged homicidal poisoning. And the next day there are secret whispers about poison in the milk? *Nothing to see here*?

(62) What is the probability that out of 2000 tapes, in 1 tape there are 4 certified poisoning whispers, within 3 days of Srila Prabhupada's departure, one day after he states 3 times "Someone has poisoned me."?

(63) *NTIAP* crassly dismissed Srila Prabhupada's statements about being poisoned as: "common terminology for elderly (dying) Bengali Vaishnavas to say that they've been poisoned..." Absolute rubbish and this is extremely offensive to Srila Prabhupada!

(64) Pray tell us, what should an elderly Bengali Vaishnava say when he actually *is being poisoned*?

(65) Then *NTIAP* states, "*Srila Prabhupada never specifically said*, '*I am being poisoned*.'" Moreover, *IF* Srila Prabhupada was saying that he was *NOT* poisoned, as *NTIAP* claims (Ch. 7), why bring up this sick example of typical dying Bengali men who say they *ARE* being poisoned? [Well, did he say he was being poisoned or not? Which is it?]

(66) NTIAP: "although Prabhupada made indirect references to

poisoning, relating to what he had heard from friends or what he had felt about the makharadhvaja etc, [...] the fact is that he made very clear and direct statements to the effect that he wasn't being poisoned." [This is contradictory and preposterous. If Srila Prabhupada "made very clear and direct statements that he wasn't being poisoned," then why did he raise the issue, just to deny it again?]

(67) NTIAP quotes Tamal, "I did not poison Prabhupada. In fact, nobody poisoned Prabhupada." But in his TKG's Diary: "Prabhupada disclosed his thoughts that someone has poisoned him." And from the 1977 conversations: BCS: Someone has given him poison here! Kaviraja: Listen, this is the understanding that some rakshasa (may) have given (poison)... BCS: Yes. Kaviraja: ...Srila Prabhupada is saying then there must be some truth in it. In this there is no doubt. BCS: He said that when Srila Prabhupada was saying that (he is poisoned) there must be something truth behind it. SP: "That same thing... that someone has poisoned me."

(68) Nityananda das, 2016: "Bir Krishna Maharaja told me in 2012: 'If you have some new evidence, take it to the authorities.' In other words, the GBC have dismissed all previous evidence and are hiding from the issue, conveniently deferring to legal authorities who require a very high level of proof in order to convict and punish those who break secular laws. This allows the GBC to maintain their dishonest position, 'Oh, there is no proof of a poisoning' as long there are no convictions." This is also a Catch-22 hypocrisy- the GBC passed ISKCON laws requiring that all legal complaints and civil disputes (including poisoning) MUST be first "raised in-house" with ISKCON authorities for resolution, mediation, and disposition. ISKCON has prohibited discussion of the poisoning evidence, and banned the topic. ISKCON leaders had their chance to deal with this matter and they cheated and deferred, and so it will end up with legal authorities, just as they wanted. The GBC deflects to secular laws so they can continue covering it all up.

(69) Another lie in *NTIAP*: "...[SHPM] tries to insinuate all kinds of unsubstantiated facts regarding the 'connection' with Chandra Swami. [...] the idea that Chandra Swami was acting as an agent for Indira Gandhi, and that he tried to poison Srila Prabhupada on her behalf." This is false. No one even hinted Indira Gandhi used Chandra Swami to poison Srila Prabhupada. Indira Gandhi was favorably disposed to Srila Prabhupada and his movement. These strawman tactics are most dishonest, deceptive. The ISKCON misleaders' first big lie, in early 1978, was that Srila Prabhupada had appointed 11 successor acharyas. Then so many more lies, intrigues, and falsehoods came, just to defend the original lie of removing Srila Prabhupada and his instructions from their rightful place at the front of the society. This is the nature of deceit: once started, it simply becomes more complicated. The liar himself no longer knows what is truth or lie.

(70) From 1997, an ISKCON policy evolved to: (a) Organize devious, untruthful, and misleading denials of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, the whispers, and all other evidence by misrepresenting and twisting facts to discredit the poison "theory" (b) Deny Balavanta's investigation proper funding, then sideline it (c) Paint those who want the truth as "poisonous," envious mischief-mongers, or demons (d) endorse the suspects' whitewash, fraudulent "investigation."

(71) Tamal was the architect and inspiration behind ISKCON's poisoning denials and obstruction of honest investigation into the massive evidence that Srila Prabhupada was maliciously poisoned. As the prime suspect, Tamal served his own interest by orchestrating, behind the scenes, ISKCON's cover-ups and denials of the poison evidence. Leaked emails had Tamal cajoling and coaxing his subordinates, planting ideas for denials, counter-arguments, and strategies for discrediting "conspiracy theorists." Tamal marshalled loyalists into a disinformation campaign. The poisoning suspects *including Tamal* gave statements that the "poison theory" was too absurd for a response or investigation. *The GBC adopted false propaganda as the only means of escape*. The corrupt GBC maintains a pseudo-respectable façade for those who cannot see beyond their lies.

(72) The GBC did not even complete their own hair tests. PTC did that for them. A cover-up is often more criminal than the original crime (as in Richard Nixon's downfall due to the Watergate cover-up). Truth and justice are obstructed by the GBC/guru club. (a) "The smart way to keep people passive and obedient is to strictly limit the spectrum of acceptable opinion, but allow very lively debate within that spectrum." (Noam Chomsky) (b) "We must not compromise with our principles. Those who are actually sincere about spiritual life will gradually see the purity of our movement as you are conducting it and they will become attracted to the real thing. Those who want to be cheated do not take the solution even when it is at hand but prefer to be cheated." (SPL) (c) "No, no, truth is there, but they cannot present the truth rightly. That is rascaldom. ...But they cannot present the truth in right way."(SPConv)

(73) Their "no evidence" position is a duplicitous cover-up: their finding of supposed faults in the mountain of evidence is meant to create doubts in the minds of the innocent, uninformed. Smoke and mirrors.

(74) The GBC says there is no evidence? (a) "The example may be given of a man who is sleeping. If he is actually sleeping, he may be

wakened by various means, but there is no doubt that he must wake up. However, if a man is pretending to be asleep there is no way at all to rouse him up. (SPL) (b) "It is difficult to get a man to understand something, when his salary depends upon his not understanding it." (Upton Sinclair)

(75) *NTIAP* said when Srila Prabhupada was speaking of being poisoned, he was referring to the makharadhvaja taken 2 weeks earlier as being "like poison." Talk of medicine as poison was a calculated smokescreen to confuse us back in 1977, and the same is true again today. This deceitful idea is rubbished in Ch. 12 above.

# CHAPTER 23: ISKCON'S THIRD POISON COVER-UP

Naveen Krishna was deeply affected by Srila Prabhupada's poisoning revelation. In 1998 he took a "leave of absence" from the GBC as a matter of conscience. He was well-respected as the Minister of Finance & Management, heading the fund-raising ISKCON Foundation. He coordinated GBC Ministries and seminars globally, conducted as "ISKCON Conventions." He developed Indian congregations and lifemember programs. If the GBC properly addressed the poison issue, he would resume his service. He was deeply disturbed by ISKCON leaders' denials, obfuscation, and dishonesty, particularly by the prime suspect Tamal, with whom he had worked closely from 1984-1998.

Previously Naveen noted serious anomalies in ISKCON but hoped societal purity would improve. The idea of Srila Prabhupada poisoned by men still in ISKCON was the last straw. He assisted Balavanta in his investigation and worked to apprise devotees of Srila Prabhupada's words about being poisoned. Finally in Feb. 2000, Naveen gave his full resignation from the GBC, knowing that the GBC not interested in truth. He would not participate in ISKCON until an honest investigation into Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

### NAVEEN STARTS THE NOVEMBER 14 COMMISSION

After the GBC had done their *NTIAP* whitewash, Naveen Krishna invited respected leaders across ISKCON to cooperate in an impartial, independent investigation. Since the GBC felt that there was no need for further investigation, and many were unconvinced that the issue was settled, Naveen organized a non-confrontational group to privately investigate Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, but in friendly cooperation with the GBC. (This proved naïve.) A diplomatic, tactful coordinator, Naveen brought many devotees to the **November 14<sup>th</sup> Commission** (N14C). Sept. 27, 2001, Naveen sent an announcement to all GBCs.

"It is with heavy heart and sober mind that the undersigned announce the N14C, whose mission is to research, investigate, study, document, preserve, honor and glorify the life and times of Srila Prabhupada, including circumstances surrounding his disappearance... as many feel spiritually impelled to (unravel) the circumstances surrounding his disappearance... to those of us who have heard Srila Prabhupada's own voice in those final days. Unanswered questions linger. ... for the sake of his Mission, the issues surrounding his disappearance need resolution... the unequivocal intention of N14C is to pursue a fair and comprehensive investigation in a thoroughly professional manner. We will seek honest answers to straightforward questions. All evidence obtained will be professionally documented and evaluated. N14C has no agenda other than to fully investigate and preserve the facts. We beg the cooperation of all..." Commissioners: Dhira Govinda das, Guru Prasad Swami, Jahnavi dasi, Naveen Krishna das, Bhailal Patel, Rochan das, Veda Guhya das, Vrindaban das, Yasodanandan das. Liaison Panel Members: Ambarish das, Gunagrahi Goswami, Rasaraja das, Sesa das. Advisors: Balavanta, Gupta das

Letters were attached from Ambarish das (Alfred Ford), Sesa das (GBC), Balavanta das (former GBC Chairman), Dhira Govinda das (Dir. Child protection Office), Gupta das (ISKCON attorney), Bhailal Patel, president of National Federation of Indian American Associations, etc.

In response, the GBC mobilized its intimidation program and convinced four of the N14C participants, all ISKCON "office bearers," to resign from N14C, or else be removed. They decided to retain their positions and service within ISKCON. The GBC had quickly, strongly reacted to N14C, passing an urgent mid-year resolution. Extracts thereof:

"Below is a proposed resolution in response to the creation of a Commission set up to re-investigate allegations of Srila Prabhupada being poisoned. [...] Firstly, we feel we looked into this matter at great length. We commissioned Balavanta to investigate this matter. After some expenditure and much time, the study was inconclusive. Then a thorough investigation was done by Deva Gaurahari. He presented his findings in NTIAP to the GBC [...] We were satisfied by his work and we accepted the book's conclusions as solid, logical, and well researched. Secondly, to this date, we have not found any evidence that leads us to discount NTIAP's conclusions, nor do we think it likely such evidence will surface. [...] These accusations have brought about even death threats--to several devotees [...] the GBC has instructed ISKCON office bearers to not be involved in this Commission. All office bearers originally involved in the Commission have now resigned. [...]

**RESOLUTION:** Whereas the issue of Srila Prabhupada's alleged poisoning was considered with great concern at the GBC 2000 Mayapur meeting, Whereas the GBC accepted the conclusion of the book NTIAP [...], Whereas devotees who had ongoing concerns about the subject were invited to discuss the issue with the GBC Exec Comm, but they did not do so, Whereas Naveen Krishna and others have, without GBC consultation, set up a Commission to review the issue [...], It is hereby resolved that: The GBC does not recognize the N14C, nor is N14C considered an acceptable response to GBC resolution #10 (Mar. 2, 2000): "The GBC Body requests Naveen Krishna das and others to give careful and dispassionate consideration to the case presented in the book NTIAP and, after doing so, to enter into discussion with the EC for a resolution of this and any related issues. While not recognizing the Commission, if any individual has meaningful new evidence regarding this matter it should be presented to the GBC executive committee. No GBC member or office bearer of ISKCON should participate in this Commission. If they do so, disciplinary action will be taken against them."

It was obvious what the GBC's answer to any call for investigation or presentation of evidence would be: *"the matter is already investigated, settled, and there was no poisoning."* The GBC had orchestrated a denial of the mountain of evidence that Srila Prabhupada was homicidally poisoned. They give sanctuary to the suspects so as not to disturb their "preaching and disciples." No wonder devotees call the GBC as "K-GBC." (KGB was the feared Soviet secret police.) The oligarchical GBC is beholden and obliged to no one but itself.

### GBC AND ISKCON COVER-UP IS POLITICAL EVIDENCE

This GBC resolution is based upon a fraudulent so-called "investigation" (*NTIAP*) and silences voices of concern and the search for truth. *But this repression only increases the conviction and suspicions that Srila Prabhupada was indeed poisoned*. Their whitewash cover-up constitutes *political evidence*, and closely resembles the typical patterns of deceit and corruption in so many religious, secular, scientific, educational, and social institutions. The GBC excuse that devotee's lives were threatened is ironic; what about Srila Prabhupada, who was not simply threatened, but slowly poisoned with heavy metals? It is ridiculous to forbid investigation because someone might make a threat. The N14C agenda was gentlemanly and professional, seen in the caliber of its participants, but the GBC shut it down. Although N14C did not

achieve dramatic success, it showed ISKCON would not tolerate the truth about Srila Prabhupada's disappearance. One who tries to hide something, is usually guilty of that same thing.

Further private investigative inquiries had to now pursue the truth *outside ISKCON*, a bastion of lies. The GBC is insincere and incapable of true leadership. Aiding, abetting, and benefitting from the repression of the truth in such a serious matter as Srila Prabhupada's poisoning irrevocably disqualifies them from any leadership role. Even after so much evidence was published and even after it was obvious that so many devotees were very concerned about the circumstances surrounding Srila Prabhupada's disappearance, why the brick wall? The GBC is now more complicit in the poisoning of Srila Prabhupada. In time, the "poison issue" will explode in their faces, to say the least. Naveen naively tried, with other senior devotees, to create an impartial tribunal for an honest cooperative investigation. But the GBC's heavy hand blocked all efforts as they hammered the poison issue into political oblivion.

# CHAPTER 24: ISKCON'S FOURTH POISON COVER-UP

An Asian contingent of the private poison research team held meetings in Australia and the Philippines in 2002. Jitarati and Mandapa liaised with Naveen Krishna, Gupta, and Nityananda, developing action strategies for further investigation. In India they interviewed or met with scientists, Vrindaban residents, kavirajas and doctors who treated Srila Prabhupada in 1977, lawyers and judges. Nityananda sent them the results of new forensic studies, other materials, and research. A fourth book on the poison issue was published in 2003, *Judge For Yourself*, and included an audio CD with the poison discussions, poison whispers, and Tamal's mercy killing interview (Ch. 20). Naveen Krishna, Jitarati, Mandapa and others spent much time editing and producing this book, widely distributed in 2003-4. But ISKCON's GBC simply ignored it, again covering-up the poison issue, but in another way. *JFY* did much to enlighten devotees in general on the facts and evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned and the hypocrisy by the GBC.

The Asian team was called Bhaktivedanta Investigation Force, and a website shared the poison whispers and *JFY* chapters with thousands of visitors. *JFY* focused on contradictions in ISKCON denials and statements, especially the suspicious statements by the prime suspects. *JFY* expertly connected what the suspects, the doctors and kavirajas, and Srila Prabhupada himself had said in late 1977, highlighting the many questions that ISKCON and its whitewash book failed to answer.

*JFY* included a "Demand to Redress," re: an honest, thorough investigation. In 2015 Nityananda rededicated his work on a digital book titled *Kill Guru Become Guru*, completed in May 2017 and alongside six associated YouTube films presenting the new scientific evidence of lethal cadmium poisoning. In response, a secret GBC committee masterminded their fourth major poison cover-up, headed by Bir Krishna Maharaja and prime suspect Bhakticharu Swami (Tamal died in 2002). Balavanta was invited to join their committee but he declined when he saw how they had misled their sole "poison expert" Dr. VV Pillay. This GBC committee internally debated how the now resurrected poison issue could be buried once and for all. They had various weird ideas to explain the cadmium in Dr. Morris' test results on Srila Prabhupada's hair, just as they previously did for arsenic. They searched for contrary "evidence" and for "experts" to refute "Prabhupada Truth Commission's experts."

Then they apparently were legally advised to remain silent and in the background, so they removed various videos online, hid their Prabhupada hair samples and teeth which could be seized as evidence, and found an eager-for-brownie-points, schizy and feisty "independent" devotee to do a pseudo-scientific rebuttal to *Kill Guru Become Guru*. They anointed Mayeswara das, who released in 2020 a confusing, illegible book called *Deception: Poison Conspiracy Fraud*, with an hour video featuring him as the neurotic, sarcastic, fiery defender of "truth." Bir Krishna Maharaja denied any role by the GBC or himself in Mayeswara's work, but leaked emails showed this as more of his lies. *Deception* is filled with blatant lies, distortions, and crooked deception.

After working for years with Mayeswara secretly, then the GBC announced they would not endorse his book or film (as a legal strategy). Mayeswara bitterly complained about this, but still intruded everywhere with boisterous challenges anytime a devotee mentioned the poison issue online. Mayeswara even publicly sought information on Nityananda's divorce and disenfranchised former family members in an attempt to cast him as a child abuser, woman abuser, corrupt businessman, and whatnot. It failed as devotees protested such dirty tactics. *Deception* exudes

frenetic, intense ridiculing, lampooning, and over-the-top, audacious denials and derogations. But eventually Mayeswara faded away.

ISKCON has covered-up the crime of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning by spreading disinformation, false narratives, fake facts, while suppressing and censoring the factual truths, and apparently destroying evidence. For this the entire GBC should be tried in criminal court as aiders and abettors. Why don't they just test a Srila Prabhupada tooth or hair sample that they have in their possession, handled by a neutral party, instead of so much denying? Let the evidence speak for itself? But they cannot abide the truth. The original poisoning crime is magnified by ISKCON's determined suppression of the hard evidence. Now the GBC and ISKCON are also accomplices to Srila Prabhupada's poisoning and its aftermath, and they will all pay for it.

Prime suspects Bhakticharu and Tamal issued three cover-up books on the poison evidence, with fraud, lies, dishonesty, deceit (*Final Pastimes 1988*), *TKG's Diary (1998*), *Ocean of Mercy (2016*)- see Vol. 2, 3 for reviews of these books. By trying to change historical events and recorded words, as they have done, they try to hide what really happened because they are guilty of what they did. Their denials are a maze of bewildering contradictions. The GBC has and will continue to cover-up and obstruct the truth of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is the (attempted) murder of the greatest saint and pure devotee, the very foundation of devotees' spiritual life and the Hare Krishna Movement. Fearing truth, they resort to dishonesty.

"My stance is that if you want truth in regards to Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastime, do not seek it from the ISKCON GBC, who are committed to cover-ups and concealment. Those serving in positions of leadership in the ISKCON organization discourage intelligent, honest exploration of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes only adds to the already mountainous evidence that the organization is dedicated to cover-up, deception, and a culture of fear and repression. Why does the GBC cover-up the poison evidence?" (Dhira Govinda das, 2022)

ISKCON has for over 25 years resorted to all conceivable devices of cover-up to forestall the growing recognition by its members and congregations of the overwhelming and convincing evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned by those who have held the reins of power in ISKCON since 1977. It was a malicious poisoning, followed by a gurucoup (see Vol. 5, 6). ISKCON's response to the poison issue is nothing less than *criminal obstruction of justice*. The GBC righteously denies everything as they sit upon their phony thrones, riddled and weakened by the termites of corruption. ISKCON leaders are very afraid of the truth

about Srila Prabhupada's disappearance. ISKCON denials are its recurring theme song. They are circling their wagons and running out of time and ammo. The naked and unvarnished truth is closing in on them.

"Secrets, lies, and hypocrisy are the hallmark of the GBC regime. A cover-up is strong evidence of a crime, and the GBC has repeatedly engaged in covering up the poison issue." (Nityananda das, 2021)

# CHAPTER 25: FALSE WITNESSING

"The further a society drifts from the truth, the more it will hate those that speak it." (George Orwell) "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." (#9, Bible's Ten Commandments)

False witness or testimony means lying and making false reports. A lying witness is deceitful, mocks justice, and intends to cover another's knowledge with falsity. Lying is a direct offense against truth and is a fundamental infidelity to the Supreme Lord, undermining one's relationship with Him. Slander is false witnessing by defamation and emphasizing contrived faults, employed to discredit a person's position or message. *NTIAP* overflows with *false witnessing to hide truth* and promote false understandings. This is the GBC's history (Vol. 5, 6) It is laborious to confront so much untruth and hypocrisy, but to set the record straight and to keep truth in the light of the sincere man's discerning intelligence, we will try to expose them.

### FALSELY ACCUSING SRILA PRABHUPADA'S POISONERS?

ISKCON apologists say "poison theorists" commit grievous wrongs and bear false witness by accusing certain "advanced devotees" of poisoning Srila Prabhupada, like Tamal or Bhakticharu. *NTIAP* harps on this theme to no end. (1) "...we should indeed feel disturbed when witnessing offenses to the Lord and his devotees... the potential for malicious envy and ill will toward other devotees... The farce, 'the poisoning of Prabhupada,' has dramatized the effects of rampant Vaishnava aparadha... to blaspheme any devotee who has dedicated his life to preaching the glories of the Lord is injurious..." (2) "As much as I dislike feeling obliged to respond to garbage, I think that I too ought to comment on the scuttlebutt that Srila Prabhupada, by a conspiracy of disciples, was poisoned... It pains me when those I saw serving His Divine Grace with extraordinary devotion and love are made out to be devious killers." (3) "...it is unimaginable that any one of Srila Prabhupada's personal servants could have even once entertained the thought of poisoning Srila Prabhupada ...To suggest... there was... a conspiracy of a number of his servants, who not only thought about it but actually carried it out, is so far beyond the pale of believability..."

(4) "The poison theory is hatimata... Mad Elephant Vaishnava Aparadha at its heaviest. The poison theory sets forth ...Srila Prabhupada unknowingly surrounded himself with envious disciples who were conspiring to poison him and actually did so." (5) "...relentlessly indicts the purported chief assassins: [...] Accusing them of the greatest possible crime, he remorsefully assaults their devotion, their honor, their reputation... accusing some devotees of a monstrous crime." (5) "How could someone concoct this poison madness! ...to this smut campaign? Why so much time and energy wasted debating this crazy idea?...forced to cope with the poison mongers' agenda... Can we stop despicable nonsense like this? Undeniably, the deadly toxin played a significant role in a worldwide decline of enthusiasm and trust. Most devotees did not swallow the scam entirely... the original perpetrators of this madness... who fermented this potion know their motives..."

Behind its air of indignation and righteousness *NTIAP* has sidestepped the central question of *whether Srila Prabhupada was poisoned* (never mind by whom), diverting instead to how certain persons are being falsely accused. This is another dishonesty. The idea is: it is crazy that those who loved Srila Prabhupada so much could be accused in this way, and therefore... there was no poisoning. This is standard methodology in politics. Tamal and others could not have done it, so it never happened. The GBC will defend their own before determining if Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. Their priorities are revealing. However, the solid evidence strongly implicates caretakers in Srila Prabhupada's *proven poisoning*. In Vol. 2 Tamal goes on a virtual trial, and he comes out guilty of poisoning Srila Prabhupada *beyond a reasonable doubt* due to the evidence which clearly incriminates him.

#### EXAMPLES OF ISKCON FALSE WITNESSING

Spiritual leaders should defend actual facts and not be implicated in false testimony. "...Regarding the position of a person who does not speak even when he knows the truth: jani saksi nahi deya tara papa haya. A person who knows things as they are and still does not bear witness becomes involved in sinful activities..." (SPLecture, May 17, 1975)

### **ONE: ACCUSATIONS ABOUT BROKEN CONTRACTS**

*NTIAP* included a "report" by Suddha Jiva das (SJ) with an incredible distortion of truth. SJ had started a devotee community in NC,

USA. After a slick land deal by selling 12 acres and later trying to donate the same land to Bhakticharu Swami, SJ filed false accusations in court against Nityananda das. Bhakticharu, not getting free land after all, went elsewhere; now there is no devotee community there.

### TWO: AN AGENT OF KALI AND A WACKO

Bhakti Tirtha Swami added his 4-page opinion in *NTIAP* that the poison controversy is the work of Kali and her agents, meant to destroy the Hare Krishna movement, and they are actually Srila Prabhupada's enemies with hidden agendas. He portrayed those who "propagate" the poison controversy to be mentally or psychologically imbalanced people who are emotionally "wounded," compensating for their own "void" and personal failures by creating unjustified trouble for others. So condescending and devious. He advised that we surrender to ISKCON self-realized souls such as him, that we let them "drive for us." [Some of these leaders are suspected of poisoning Srila Prabhupada, and the rest are covering up for them. ISKCON only wants sycophants; independent thinkers are not welcome.] He conclude: "*They have been empowered by Kali for destruction.*" He stated that poison theorists are the ultimate anti-spiritual force. Condescendingly, he advised giving mercy, kindness to these lost souls, being compassionate on them (very Christian-like).

### THREE: GBC'S EXPOSER IS EXPOSED By Nityananda das

S R I The Spiritual Realization Institute Srila Jagannatha Dasa Puripada Founder - Governing Body Commissioner The man ISKCON used to deny Srila Prabhupada's own recorded words about being poisoned is an author and vendor of dubious celebrity sensationalism. He was never initiated. In 1999 he had a "Vedic

center" in Lockport, NY, with the title Srila Puripada, intent on the "guru business." He distributed brochures: "For Immediate Release: Self-Realized Spiritual Master, His Holiness Jagannatha Dasa Puripada On Tour Of America. The spiritual advisor and leader of thousands of people in India, His Holiness Jagannatha Dasa Puripada, has come to America to teach the 5000-year-old, non-sectarian, Vedic meditational technique of Bhakti, or Devotional Yoga." (like Srila Prabhupada did? But he is America...) He claimed he sponsored an orphanage in India (Bir Krishna Maharaja does as well) and a goshala.

I never met him; just spoke to him on the phone twice in 1998 and exchanged text messages 23 years later when I asked him to apologize (he declined). After he stole the "Poison CD" and sold it to Harikesh, he then contracted with Bir Krishna Maharaja (BKM) in 1999 to write a fabricated "expose" and do an interview wherein he accused myself and Dhanesvara of attempted fraud. He posted an article on the GBC website Aug. 26, 1999: "Church of the Poisoned Mind" and his rambling "confession:" interview was 30 pgs of NTIAP: "The Inside Story On The Poison CD: A Revealing Expose by Jagannath Das (Geoffrey Giuliano).

"...did Nityananda request that in my studio, that you enhance, move around, juxtapose, some of the internal content of some of these whispers and sound bites, in order to present a stronger case or to put a finer point on it, or to make a more damning piece of taped evidence? My answer, 'Yes.'" [There was no attempt to alter or tamper with the tape recordings. How could anyone even hope to get away with that?] The original tapes are at Bhaktivedanta Archives; any tampering would be quickly discovered. Actually, it was Giuliano who suggested this on the phone to me, which was flatly rejected. Forensic studies have already validated the poison whispers as part of a poisoning conspiracy- there is no need to tamper or enhance them.. Fabrication of evidence is not the agenda for our team of private investigators. Full details are in Ch. 21.

He also accused our team of manufacturing the poison issue's "false evidence" because of long-standing ill-will against ISKCON and its leaders. He stated our motivation was to pull down those in power and take their place in a "power-grab." This nonsense was copied into *NTIAP*. His career was selling dirt on celebrities to the smut media, and he is what ISKCON came up with to further their position? The history and character of Geoffrey Giuliano is quite dodgy and checkered, and is given in Vol. 1 for those interested.

In 2021 Giuliano threatened to sue us if we published this chapter, saying it was libel and slander to his "good reputation." He refused to come clean on what had happened over 20 years earlier, saying he would not jeopardize his welcome on visits to ISKCON Vrindaban. Privately he hinted he had done wrong; he wanted to make amends in his life, and rejuvenate his spiritual life, but...

(1) Before 1990 Giuliano invented/pioneered McDonald's mascot clown Ronald McDonald, even though he was vegetarian. He then sued McDonald's, decrying *"concerns who make their millions off the murder of countless animals and the exploitation of children."* He also was the actor for "the Marvelous Magical Burger King." With a supposed change of heart, he publicly courted himself as one redeemed by his conscience.

(2) He co-authored a John Lennon book with Julia Baird, Lennon's half-sister, and when Baird wrote another book 20 years later for a movie, Giuliano sued her "for his share." (3) He published many books on the Beatles, Hendrix, Yoko Ono, Princess Diana, etc- with dirty gossip on their "secret" lives. A reviewer: "If Giuliano's own double-talk isn't enough to diminish this work's credibility, his endless, voyeuristic

*descriptions of Lennon's sexual encounters are.*" In addition to his audio CDs, books, radio shows, he became an actor in Thai movies; about a hunt for a dangerous tiger, Bangkok Adrenaline, Vikingdom, Scorpion King 3-- all grade-C, Asian glorified fantasy and violence.

Giuliano retorted: "What is it that I don't have? People worship me. I'm famous. Why would I want to perpetrate fraud on anyone?" If his business was to make up and sell dirt about celebrities for profit, is it hard to imagine he approached Bir Krishna Goswami as a false witness for sale? Considering his international reputation, how could ISKCON allow him in their book? This puts ISKCON in the same league as Giuliano. Olivia, George Harrison's widow, wrote to The Guardian in 1992 re: Giuliano's misrepresentations about the Beatles: "The sight of Geoffrey Giuliano's face is enough to make anyone a recluse. My husband once made the remark: 'That guy knows more about my life than I do.' His life is a curse; his admitted 300 acid trips by age 19 has something to do with it. I'm sick of this guy."

B. Howard (Sept. 14, 2001): "People investigated Giuliano's death. Sept. 22, Steve Marinucci spoke with Geoffrey Giuliano, confirming he was alive... It is incomprehensible someone would deliberately, falsely announce a death tagged to the World Trade Center tragedy. How could anyone perpetrate this sick joke on a mourning world? Thousands of real people, innocent victims, died real deaths. Is nothing sacred?"

Summary: Bir Krishna Goswami, GBC Chairman, considered Giuliano worthy of providing an "expose" of the supposed truths on evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. However, this man is not at all worthy or reliable as telling truth. The GBC featured this false witness' lies in NTIAP, a man who faked his own death on 9/11; he claimed to be a monk with no income; he wrote bad checks; he has a bad temper, threatens people, steals property, and yells obscenities; charged in financial fraud with utility companies. He admitted to me stealing the "Lost Kirtans" recording (Delhi, Jan. 1977) of Yamuna dasi and Srila Prabhupada, then selling it under his own label later. He was accused by his "ashram" members of stealing the "Poison CD" and selling it to the GBC for \$10k. Giuliano says he practices "devotional yoga," and that he is a student of Srila Prabhupada, claiming to have met and spoken with him in London in the 1970's. The GBC and Bir Krishna Swami have perpetrated a travesty of falsehoods by using Giuliano to discredit the evidence of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning and bearing false witness.

# CHAPTER 26: TRANSCEND THE DECEPTION

(1) "Even the Devil can quote scripture." (2) "The murder victim Sulochan and those who believed as he did had said the troubles (in ISKCON) were symptoms of a spreading cancer of denial." (Betrayal of the Spirit, p.145) (3) "He who establishes his argument by noise and command shows that his reason is weak." (Michel de Montaigne)

(4) "Oh what a tangled web we weave when we first practice to deceive." (Sir Walter Scott) (5) "The ISKCON GBC stands strong in its assertion, 'There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada.' I cite this statement as another category of evidence. That is, cover-up and concealment. If there is nothing to hide, why make such an absurd statement?" (Dhira Govinda das, 2017) (6) "Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passion, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence." (John Adams)

(7) "It is imperative to think for yourself, because **deception** is everywhere and the truth is often ridiculed. The problem is the privileged insiders will fight any reform tooth and nail, so the only real way to advance the interests of the common good is for the rigged, rotten, corrupt, unsustainable status quo to crumble to dust." (ZeroHedge)

#### GBC MEETING ON POISON ISSUE A "MACABRE CIRCUS"

The 2000 GBC Mayapur meetings lost all sanity: "I was present during that presentation- at least, much of it. I found it difficult to be there, and didn't remain in the room for the entire presentation. I'd describe the mood as a sort of macabre circus. There was lots of laughter. They (most of those present) regarded Srila Prabhupada's alleged poisoning as a real knee-slapper. It was spooky. My sense was that very few there had malicious intent. If asked, I doubt that many of them could have explained what was so funny." (Dhira Govinda das)

#### GBC RESOLUTION: THERE IS NO POISONING EVIDENCE

The ISKCON GBC has covered-up the poison evidence, as seen in their position as recorded in the 2000 GBC resolutions:

"POISON CONTROVERSY: Where As, the book NTIAP published by Ministry for Protection of ISKCON establishes that: Srila Prabhupada's medical history shows no evidence of poisoning, but rather confirms diabetes as the major factor in His Divine Grace's deteriorated physical health; Forensic (hair) analysis does not show any evidence of poisoning, in that the amount of arsenic is compatible with environmental levels and with normal physiological functioning. Recorded conversations indicate that Srila Prabhupada did not believe he was poisoned. Analysis of 'whisper evidence' is inconclusive or can be shown to correlate with spoken conversations of the time.

**WHERE AS**, the report submitted by Balavanta das, commissioned by GBC Executive Committee, does not contradict the conclusions of the more detailed investigations by Ministry for Protection of ISKCON;

617. (Statement) It Is Resolved That: (1) There is no evidence at this time to support the allegations of poisoning of Srila Prabhupada. This conclusion is based on two independent reports commissioned by the GBC body, (2) The GBC body endorses NTIAP as the most detailed and comprehensive exposition of the allegations to date, and it recommends this book strongly to devotees who may have been affected by or who are interested in this issue. Approved by: (GBCs, including) Bhakticharu Swami, Jayapataka Swami, Tamal Krishna Goswami.

ISKCON cover-ups of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning hides the truth and real history of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes. It does not matter how definitively the poisoning is proven: the full spectrum dominance of the GBC in ISKCON is such that their lies are persistent, as they implant their lies as truth in the minds of enough members to conceal the truth. The ISKCON party narrative is that anyone challenging ISKCON's version of truth is dishonest or crazy. The last leg of religiosity, truthfulness, is severely crippled and wavering, this being a dark time for what remains of a pure spiritual movement left to us only 46 years ago by Srila Prabhupada. ISKCON represses the poison evidence to preserve the status quo of ISKCON leadership.

Some in ISKCON's leadership poisoned Srila Prabhupada in 1977, and then with other aiders and abettors, hijacked the movement as phony gurus who have since established their franchises of temples, wealth, and followers. The future of Srila Prabhupada's mission, the Hare Krishna movement, is undermined by their refusal to properly investigate the poisoning issue. For this travesty, the complete ISKCON leadership must be sacked, as they have seriously breached their duty by placing material considerations above the cause of truth and faithfulness to Srila Prabhupada. ISKCON leaders care only about their livelihoods and positions. The poison issue threatens them. Naturally if ISKCON leaders' complicity in this poisoning, and covering it up, is exposed, they stand to lose everything they have and possibly go to jail as well.

### COVER-UP CULTURE IN THE CORRUPTED INSTITUTION

ISKCON has resorted to all conceivable cover-up devices to forestall the recognition by its members and congregations of the

overwhelming, convincing evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned by his own men in 1977. They tried to deny everything with an air of righteousness while being fully corrupted deviants (see Vol. 6). The series of poisoning cover-ups by those who took over ISKCON upon his departure (see Vol. 5) reveals how corrupted the institution, for which Srila Prabhupada had such high hopes, has become. ISKCON leaders are very afraid of the truth about Srila Prabhupada's disappearance. ISKCON leadership covered up the guru scandals and massive child abuse for decades by stonewalling and resistance to investigation. Dhira Govinda das, chairman of the Child Protection Office, stated 2015:

"...the abuses were covered up again and again. There is a culture of cover-up. [...] In addressing cases of neglect of supervision by gurukula headmasters in schools where abuse was extensive, the CPO met with impassioned resistance from GBCs and other leaders... Considering the extent of child suffering and maltreatment in some ISKCON locations, a secular court would very possibly find criminal neglect on the part of [...] the administrators."

Cover-ups are the norm in ISKCON. A lack of accountability culture prevails in ISKCON, resulting in the unreasonable and defiant denials of the poisoning evidence. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is far more vile than child abuse: it is the (attempted) murder of the greatest saint and pure devotee, the very foundation of devotees' spiritual life and the Hare Krishna Movement. ISKCON's response to the poison issue is *criminal obstruction of justice* and many heads will roll when their walls of denial crumble to dust, eroded by the relentless march of truth. That day is coming and it cannot come too soon. Truth will prevail.

"Secrets, lies, and hypocrisy are the hallmark of the GBC regime. A cover-up is very strong evidence of a crime, and the GBC has repeatedly engaged in covering up the poison issue." (Nityananda das, 2021)

### ANSWERING TO MORE FLAWED OBJECTIONS

Those who deny Srila Prabhupada's poisoning even in the face of all the evidence and proof that he was in fact poisoned put forward various false theories and objections which, most being dishonest maneuvers to avoid the truth. A 41 min. film was made: *Poisoning Objections Answered:* <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gOLeHjRhZMc</u>

Below, a list of common objections and obfuscations of the facts:

#### ACCIDENTAL: MUSTARD SEEDS, AYURVEDIC MEDICINES, ETC

Another bogus explanation for Srila Prabhupada's heavy metals poisoning points to recent news that "elevated" cadmium has been found in mustard seed oil (used to massage Srila Prabhupada) or some Ayurvedic medicines. But why then would Srila Prabhupada be the only victim? The math on the amounts in these various items *cannot* add up to a sudden average of 250X normal, with no one in the scientific literature ever having these *unprecedented* levels. Tainted medicines, oils, etc could not even result in a tiny fraction of Srila Prabhupada's *lethal* level of 16 ppm cadmium, maintained for 10+ months.

The cadmium sometimes found in Ayurvedic medicine (from modern pollution) will be very tiny traces due to component impurities, resulting in cadmium levels (perhaps) a few times more than normal, but *never* the 250 X normal Srila Prabhupada had. No medicine uses cadmium as a deliberate ingredient, unlike arsenic, mercury, antimony. Even if Srila Prabhupada had ingested hundreds of bottles of slightly cadmium-tainted medicine, this would not result in even a tiny fraction of the cadmium found in Dr. Morris' tests. There is no credence to the idea that his cadmium came from tainted medicines. *The sky-high cadmium values speak of a deliberate, massive poisoning that simply cannot evolve from slightly impure medicines*. Do the math. In 1977 Srila Prabhupada hardly took any Ayurvedic medicines anyway!

Trace toxins in a medicine cannot accumulate to Srila Prabhupada's cadmium levels. Or, thousands of people would have also died from cadmium poisoning. Further, the GBC tested two of Srila Prabhupada's Ayurvedic medicines and found no elevated heavy metals anyway.

### **"JUST LEAVE THIS SENSITIVE ISSUE TO KRISHNA"**

Some say it is really up to Krishna to do with this sensitive issue as He likes, but we should not become involved, otherwise there will be so much criticism and fighting. This stance befits those too weak to stand for truth, who prefer to go along to get along. Did Arjuna leave the battle for Krishna to deal with it? Srila Prabhupada taught we must learn to discriminate, to make a judgment, and that truthfulness is not faultfinding and is required to counteract ignorance and lies.

### "HIS CARETAKERS HAD SO MUCH LOVE FOR HIM"

Another objection to the "poison theory" is that none of Srila Prabhupada's senior disciples or caretakers could have possibly done such a thing because they all loved and cared for him so much, that they could not even think of poisoning him. [Note: Only some caretakers are suspected due to the immense evidence that implicates them]. Why do Tamal and Bhakticharu make contradictory statements? Out of thousands of loving disciples, it need take only one to blend into the backdrop of loving caretakers and secretly poison Srila Prabhupada. Anyway, best to start with the evidence that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, and worry about who did it later. See Vol. 2 and 3 about the suspects. "This action of Kamsa is not very difficult to understand. There are many instances in the history of the world of persons in the royal order who have killed father, brother, or a whole family and friends for the satisfaction of their ambitions. There is nothing astonishing about this, for the demoniac can kill anyone for their nefarious ambitions..." "Akrura also learned that the envious sons of Dhritarashtra had tried to kill the Pandavas by poisoning them."

So, any family (like ISKCON) can have a poisoner in their ranks. Most murders involve "loved ones" such as parents, children, spouses, etc. Simply saying there were only loving disciples who could never poison Srila Prabhupada- this does not disprove a poisoning. They insist the "poison theory" is an offense against loving disciples. So who did it? (Which is the same question Tamal asked Srila Prabhupada.) Lethal amounts of cadmium were intentionally administered right under the noses of all the loving devotees, by some unloving persons. Because we cannot imagine a caretaker doing such a thing, it did not happen? This is naïve. Poisoners are often disguised as "loved ones." Poisoners do their evil in secret, out of sight, unknown to others.

#### "I WAS THERE IN THE LAST DAYS, SAW NO POISONING"

Caretakers such as Abhiram das and his wife Srutirupa dasi who were with Srila Prabhupada in 1977 have said that if there was a poisoning, they would have seen something. But it doesn't work like that. Would a poisoner allow others to see what he was doing? Abhiram's saying, "*I was there and I did not see any sign of any poisoning*," proves nothing. Abhiram was Srila Prabhupada's nurse for 83 days (July-Oct. '77), but according to the hair tests, the catastrophic poisoning went on for 300+ days, starting long before Abhiram began his nurse service. He was not on guard 24 hours a day, and did not suspect poisoning at the time and so was not watching out for it. His presence does not negate the poisoning that occurred unseen to all (including him) and which is proven by hair tests. Countless poison-murder cases were unsuspected but discovered many years after the death of the victim.

"This poisoning was done in such a way as to prevent anyone from knowing what was going on except the poisoners themselves. That is how criminal poisoning works." (Naveen Krishna das, 2017)

#### **"THIS IS A ENVIOUS ATTACK FROM SICK PEOPLE"**

The "poison theorists" have been painted black by ISKCON's GBC, whose book *NTIAP* threw tons of mud at the 1999 *SHPM's* author. It was suggested Nityananda das should condemn himself to the darkest region of hell. They state that "poison-theorist ex-devotees" should be ignored, as they are envious, despicable persons with nothing better to do

than make trouble. Thus they circumvent the actual evidence and distract by questioning the standing and motives of the messenger. This is typical dirty politics to fool gullible people. But the forensic tests, Srila Prabhupada's own words, the certified poison whispers, and much more speak for themselves. Look at the evidence, not the messenger.

"...[it has been indicated] that at least one or some of those who have written about Srila Prabhupada's disappearance are of perhaps dubious character. That may be so. Based on my experience with these devotees, I can definitely say that their character is not more suspect than mine. [...] the fact is that Srila Prabhupada repeatedly said he was poisoned, cadmium levels in his hair are 250 times above normal, in the background those close to him are whispering about "poison"- and this is only some of the evidence that Srila Prabhupada was given poison with malicious intent. Notwithstanding possible character shortcomings, I celebrate them for revealing truths regarding the disappearance pastime of Srila Prabhupada." (Dhira Govinda das, 2017)

### "HOW COULD THIS POSSIBLY HAPPEN?"

Some wonder how such a horrible thing like Srila Prabhupada's poisoning could possibly happen, as though too incredulous to be reality. Yet, we have seen plenty of incredulous crimes in this material world. Crucifixion of Christ. Josef Stalin's genocide of 50 million. Nazi annihilation of Jews. Twin Towers. Spanish Inquisition. Hiroshima. Iwo Jima. Jonestown massacre. Earthquakes, tsunamis, wildfires, wars. The material world is full of horrible things. Great saints often face great persecution from envious materialists. Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 lousy pieces of silver; why couldn't some betray Srila Prabhupada with poison to inherit the ISKCON kingdom and become as good as God?

How else are the lethal poisons in Srila Prabhupada's hair to be explained? "Therefore my Guru Maharaja used to say that 'This is not the place for a gentleman to live,' because surrounded by envious persons, [...] Especially when a man becomes devoted to the Lord, he creates... many enemies." (SPLecture Feb. 10, 1971)

#### "BUT SRILA PRABHUPADA SAID HE WAS NOT POISONED"

The GBC cleverly took a 5 word phrase from a 1977 conversation *out of context* and ascribed a *false interpretation* to them. See Ch. 7. Srila Prabhupada never denied being poisoned, or why would he speak about being poisoned before and after this phrase? Why would Tamal afterwards ask who had poisoned him, if he was not poisoned?

#### WHAT ABOUT THE HAIRCLIPPER AND ITS LUBRICANT OIL?"

The Wahl hair clipper's lubricating oil that was used on Srila Prabhupada's hairclippers, and the metal hairclipper head itself were both tested and found to have normal cadmium.

#### "THERE ARE NO POISON WHISPERS"

With decent sound equipment, 95% of devotees have easily recognized the poison whispers containing the poison word and as being sinister. The poison whispers are readily available online. Will we listen to them ourselves or believe the denials of the corrupt GBC? *Four poisoning whispers have been forensically, scientifically VERIFIED by a long list of audio forensic experts in their laboratories.* (see Part 3)

#### "POISONING RUMORS ARE A "RITVIK" SCHEME"

Dishonest deniers stubbornly reject irrefutable evidence. The poison issue started in 1997 with the discovery of the "poison whispers" by Balavanta, Mahabuddhi, Isha, and Rochan- none being "ritviks." The GBC obstructed any intelligent study of the evidence and unfortunately resorts to smoke and mirrors, engaging in fraudulent cover-ups.

"Who started these rumors that Srila Prabhupada was given poison with murderous intent? The uncomfortable fact is it was Srila Prabhupada himself. If we read the Nov. 1977 transcripts, it's undeniably clear Srila Prabhupada strongly suspected, or perhaps definitely knew, he was being giving poison with malicious intent. Thus science confirms the most reliable evidence: Srila Prabhupada's words. Tamal asked: 'Srila Prabhupada, Sastriji says that there must be some truth to it if you say that. So who is it that has poisoned?' Srila Prabhupada and those around him are clearly talking about murder by poisoning [...] They spoke of a Sankaracharya poisoned by his disciples, and a lawyer in Calcutta who maliciously poisoned his wife. Why would Srila Prabhupada speak of 'Ravana'? Why else would they be speaking of a demon rakshasa? Those close to Srila Prabhupada were very clear (on tape) that he was experiencing distress because of concern, or knowledge, he was being maliciously poisoned." (Dhira Govinda das)

#### "HIS HAIR HAD NORMAL LEVELS OF HEAVY METALS"

This was the argument in 2000 about the arsenic, before the skyhigh cadmium was discovered. Srila Prabhupada did *NOT* have normal levels of arsenic or cadmium in his 1977 hair samples. The cadmium was 250 X above normal, and the arsenic was secondary at 20 X normal.

### "THE POISONING THEORY DEMANDS EXHUMATION"

Exhumation is not necessary and not suggested. Tests on existing hair samples, extracted teeth are sufficient to determine poisoning or not.

#### "DAMAGES PREACHING, DEFAMES SRILA PRABHUPADA?"

To establish the historical truth of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, betrayed by insiders, would no more defame the pure devotee, make him appear ordinary, or detract from preaching Krishna consciousness than Christ was defamed by Judas' betrayal or his crucifixion. Or Prahlad when he was poisoned? Or Haridas Thakura when he was beaten to death? As Christ was more glorified for his crucifixion, Srila Prabhupada will be more, not less, glorified by his disappearance pastimes, including how he remained Krishna conscious, forgiving of his poisoners, detached from his own physical welfare, and lucidly preaching to the very end. The movement has already been severely damaged by the poisonershijackers and their deviant doctrines enabling the plunder of Srila Prabhupada's assets. How can ISKCON preaching be pure today if the movement was hijacked by poisoners who assumed false roles as new Prabhupadas? Dishonest cover ups and denial of the factual evidence is the real blasphemy (untruths). Rather, our turning a blind eye to the truth will gravely discredit us as his disciples.

#### "WHY POISON AN OLD SICK PERSON ABOUT TO DIE?"

This objection came from chief suspect Tamal, saying there was no sense to poison Srila Prabhupada since he was so ill and close to departure anyway. *How clever.* This is like a gunman standing over a dead body saying, "Why would I shoot him? He is dead already!" Historical records show Srila Prabhupada was actually in good health until July 1976, when he suffered a series of sudden and unexplained health declines, correlated to the cadmium found in his hair samples. He was energetic, went regularly on super-brisk morning walks, ate his meals heartily, slept very little, and worked very hard. See Ch. 13.

### "THIS POISON CONTROVERSY WILL DISTURB DEVOTEES"

The truth of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes may be painful and disturbing, but truth is always worthy and should never be hidden. We should cope with the truth, not avoid it. Truth, if denied, covered up, and distorted, becomes unhealthy, dangerous, and cancerous. Various pastimes evoke different emotions. Whether it is his appearance, disappearance, grihasta life, business life, sannyas, childhood-- all his pastimes are relishable by his devoted followers. Why should we neglect the disappearance pastimes just because it makes the GBC insecure?

### "BLOOD TESTS WOULD HAVE FOUND POISONING"

There is no record of any blood tests having ever been done. Tamal and Abhiram did not allow any blood tests, and even so, poisoning cannot be detected by normal blood or urine tests. No one suspected poisoning, and no one ordered the many necessary, specific tests.

#### "THE SAMPLES WERE NOT SRILA PRABHUPADA'S HAIR"

They *were* Srila Prabhupada's hair samples by GBC arrangement. There is a completely secure documented chain of custody and thoroughly dispels any idea of tampering by outside parties.

#### "I HAVE NO TIME FOR THIS. I'M BUSY PREACHING, SERVING"

This is an ad hominem attack that implies those who spend time on examining the facts surrounding Srila Prabhupada's disappearance are not real servants of Srila Prabhupada, they don't engage in substantial service, and are wasting time. This of course ignores the facts that clearly establish that Srila Prabhupada was given poison with malicious intent, and likely by those who were close to him. Besides, actually most if not all those who are concerned about Srila Prabhupada's being poisoned and his mission being taken over by the poisoners, *are* enthusiastically engaged in sadhana and in sharing Krishna consciousness with others.

### "HE JUST WORE HIS BODY OUT"

Hari Sauri das stated: "Prabhupada literally sacrificed his life for us. I saw it. He wore his body out. The nondevotees are fond of identifying the cause of death. You could say that Prabhupada wore out his body in the service of mankind. That was the cause of his disappearance." But the 3 hair samples that were certified as authentic by Hari Sauri himself had sky-high, lethal cadmium levels and are proof that he was homicidally poisoned. No honest man can deny these facts.

### "FIRST ARSENIC, NOW CADMIUM?"

Some critics state: "First they found arsenic, and when that was discredited, now they have found cadmium?" Given endemic pervasive cynicism due to the world's seeming insanity, this reaction is expected. But the discovery of cadmium was totally unexpected, accidental, and genuine. The sky-high cadmium was found in 3 hair samples arranged by the GBC themselves, handled only by GBC agents. No evidence has been elicited, designed, tweaked, arranged, or fabricated, in the least. The facts are obtained and interpreted in an unbiased manner, supported by scientific studies [unlike the GBC, more adept at lies and deceit].

#### THE MEXICAN GURUKULI WITNESS

"On one side is a 13-yr-old boy doing janitor work; on the other side, there is an entire institution of individuals who have organized huge preaching projects, overseen massive book publications, commanded akshauhini's of sankirtan forces..." **Reply:** Deeming this gurukuli who overheard senior men discussing Prabhupada's poisoning in late 1977 as having no credibility compared to the suspects is asinine.

#### **CONSPIRACY THEORY?**

"Conspiracy theories help insecure individuals cope with distressing events, as it offers the frail a way to make sense out of difficult circumstances." **Reply:** This is a cheap psychoanalysis with the usual "conspiracy theory" accusation. But the evidence is not theoretical, neither is there any agenda behind the cold hard facts.

### PRABHUPADA WOULD NOT ACCEPT POISONERS AS DISCIPLES

Not true. E.g., Drona knew Dhristadyumna would kill him. Yet, he accepted him as his student to train him in military science. "'*This rascal has learned from me and he wants to kill me?*' But no, duty is duty. After all, everyone will die, nobody will exist. So nobody should be afraid of death. This is Vedic civilization. Death is inevitable. 'As sure as death.' Who can avoid death? So being afraid of death, we should not deviate from our duties, real duty." (SPLecture July 9, 1973) Similarly, Srila Prabhupada dutifully accepted his poisoners as his disciples.

#### ABHIRAM WAS NOT CONSULTED?

*"If they ever were actually serious to investigate, why did they not contact me, ever?* **REPLY:** Prabhupada Truth Commission *did* contact Abhiram in 2017 and he looked at the new evidence with an open mind. In 2022 Abhiram agreed the evidence should be studied and pursued.

#### THOSE EATING PRABHUPADA'S REMNANTS NEVER GOT SICK

"Even more to the point is [Abhiram's] personal testimony that confirms he often ate Srila Prabhupada's remnants and never suffered from any ill effects." **Reply:** It would be quite dumb for the poisoners to poison others while poisoning Srila Prabhupada. Obviously they would do so in a way which would not expose themselves.

### THERE WAS NO MOTIVE TO POISON PRABHUPADA?

In Vol. 2, 3, 5, 6 (yes, 2000 pages) it is shown how ferociously avaricious some of Srila Prabhupada's disciples were to take his placekill guru, become guru. Let us not be naïve about this history. There is no greater gain in this material world than to be worshipped like God.

### SRILA PRABHUPADA WOULD HAVE STOPPED HIS POISONING?

"...that he didn't even have enough common sense to immediately send anyone away he did not trust. ...he could summon mystic powers and know who was betraying him [...] Srila Prabhupada just went along with it? Why would he do that? He certainly could have outsmarted his envious disciples. Srila Prabhupada is offensively portrayed like a confused martyr, who was willing to sacrifice his own life because he was so tolerant, compassionate..." **Reply:** This errant philosophical interpretation is a common objection, that Srila Prabhupada would have saved himself from poisoners and stopped them. Yet Jesus Christ, a pure devotee, did not protest his crucifixion, even carrying his own cross. Christ could have used his mystic powers to save himself, but he did not. Did Haridas Thakur stop the soldiers from whipping him? Prahlad or Mirabai? Ch. 28 addresses his tolerance and compassion. From Srila Prabhupada's complaints about being poisoned, clearly he knew what was going on, yet he accepted it and made very little protest. He only asked that he not be put in a hospital and not be tortured to death.

### SUSPECTS WERE NOT PERFECT BUT CERTAINLY NOT POISONERS?

"There is no doubt that these men still had a lot to learn and grow as true leaders and saints and they may have even done some disgraceful things along the way because they were not perfected human beings... but they also most certainly were not killers!" **Reply:** Why the focus on defending ISKCON leaders and not on the evidence that someone, whoever, poisoned Srila Prabhupada? Poisonings are very common and most often done by someone very close to the victim, someone that no one would never suspect. Follow the science, not emotions.

### CADMIUM POISONING ONLY POSSIBLE BY INHALATION?

This is *not true;* oral ingestion is the obvious route for intentional cadmium poisoning. A cadmium salt, such as cadmium chloride, would be used, which is water soluble, odorless, colorless, and tasteless.

#### **REVERSE SPEECH WAS THE ONLY EVIDENCE?**

Yes, Bir Krishna Maharaja actually stated this in a lecture. It was a mistake 20 years ago to include reverse speech in *SHPM*. PTC has disavowed reverse speech as evidence (although the CIA uses it). PTC instead has used proven methods of truth ascertainment such as voice stress analysis, used by law enforcement agencies worldwide (Vol. 2, 3).

### CORONER FOUND CAUSE OF DEATH TO BE DIABETES?

This is completely false. There was no coroner, medical exam, or autopsy in 1977. No blood or urine test results exist, nor are any specific tests remembered by anyone. There are only opinions and faulty memories. Again, the hair tests have proven homicidal poisoning.

#### DR. MORRIS USED THE WRONG TESTING METHODS?

Mayeswara das claims ICP-MS testing methodology is better than NAA and that Dr. Morris used the wrong methodology in his NAA tests. But NAA can test much smaller quantities than ICP-MS and is more accurate. This attempt to discredit the NAA testing methodology and Dr. Morris is absurd, childish faulty faultfinding. After a little online homework, Mayeswara will now critique MURR and Dr. Morris?

### DR. MORRIS HAD INSUFFICIENT HAIR TO DO PROPER TESTS?

The book *Deception* stated that PTC needed "*at least 1 mg... but could only find hair dust.*" But Dr. Morris (and other NAA facilities) did not need 1 mg for a proper test- he can very accurately test 0.00012 grams. And he did not test hair dust. Such dishonesty.

### CADMIUM HAIR TESTS DO NOT REFLECT ACTUAL BODY BURDEN

We do not need to finesse the body burden, but to determine the degree of poisoning compared to normal levels, which hair analysis has been proven to accurately assess. Many *expert opinions* in Ch. 3 have determined that Srila Prabhupada's 250 X normal is lethal and "*prima facie evidence of poisoning with malicious intent*." The science of hair analysis is highly advanced and reliable and attempts to discredit hair analysis by GBC apologists is contrary to scientific consensus.

### POISON THEORISTS ARE BENT ON CHAOS AND DESTRUCTION

Prabhupada Truth Commission (PTC) is only out to discover the truth and has no other secret motive or agenda. There is a mountain of evidence, but "*none so blind as those who will not see…*"

### **DR. MORRIS IS NOT A TOXICOLOGIST**

"With all due respect to Dr. Steve Morris and his Hyperpure Dermanium Generator Detector at the University of Missouri, he simply isn't an expert in the field of toxicology." Dr. Morris did not make a toxicological evaluation of the cadmium findings, although he is fully qualified to do so. Where are the denier's own experts on what 250 X normal average hair cadmium means? Instead they concoct fake faults.

### HAIR SAMPLES CHAIN OF CUSTODY IS QUESTIONABLE?

"The fact that the hair samples, which changed hands many times, were not stored in a clean, controlled environment and could have even been stolen and replaced with other hairs by a zealot disciple, are all possible." In NTIAP the GBC stated: "We will fully cooperate by providing full details of the specimens, which are already at a lab in the US, and what were their origins. If there are some who feel strongly that this investigation should be done, then they are more than welcome to come forward and meet the costs associated with it." PTC simply called and arranged for the samples to be tested by Dr. Morris (the GBC's choice for their hair tests) and paid for the tests, as suggested by the GBC. The hair tests involved a fully neutral chain of custody, never once leaving GBC control and custody, and going directly to Dr. Morris.

### HAIR ANALYSIS IS NOT GOOD FOR CADMIUM?

Mayeswara claimed there are prohibitive difficulties specific to cadmium levels in the body and hair. OK, this may happen when comparing normal cadmium to slightly elevated levels. However Srila Prabhupada's levels are *extremely* elevated, and the very same study that he quoted states: "Substances/elements for which reliable analyses exist include cadmium." (pg. C-40) Whose side is Mayeswara working for?

### SRILA PRABHUPADA'S CADMIUM LEVELS WERE IMPOSSIBLE?

Of course they were possible, triply confirmed by one of the world's foremost nuclear research and testing facilities (MURR).

#### GBC'S WILD, UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS OF FRAUD

"When their first conspiracy assault was no longer gleaning the attention they wanted, they came up with three more hair samples to test, but this time they made sure the alleged testing suggested that the amounts of Cadmium were unequivocally deadly." **Reply:** Note that it was the GBC themselves who arranged the three hair samples to test. Thus apologists for the GBC make unfactual, crazy statements.

#### **STRAWMAN ARGUMENTS**

"They are the ones who also assert that by March of 1977 the cadmium accrued to 300 times more than anyone could survive! ... How could he have possibly survived 300 times the lethal limit and then live for another 8 months?" **Reply:** Typically, the GBC and their apologists twist what the actual evidence is, and then fault that twisted version. E.g., Srila Prabhupada had up to 300 X *the average normal*, not 300 X the lethal limit. Big difference in this slight sleight of words.

Mayeswara accused PTC of using rumors, astrology, hair dust, dirt files, guesswork, speculation, dreams, payoffs, hallucinations, ghosts, opinions, bribes, palm reading, etc rather than have any solid evidence. To the contrary, as seen in Vol. 1-7 of this series, the facts and evidence irrevocably prove that Srila Prabhupada was homicidally poisoned.

### TAMAL IS BEING UNFAIRLY ACCUSED?

*"Tamal KG has been very unfairly accused, tried, and condemned by this kangaroo-court of self-appointed prosecutors."* **Reply:** Note that Tamal recruited and trained Mayeswara das (see any similarities?) so of course there is a deep emotional investment in defending Tamal.

#### MOSTLY CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE?

*"Most of what makes up all the so-called evidence in this dispute is circumstantial at best or irrelevant."* **Reply:** Not so. The poisoning evidence is scientifically irrefutable, despite Mayeswara's inane attempts to play scientist himself. Srila Prabhupada statements and his caretaker's discussions, the hair tests, the audio forensics, etc- are not circumstantial.

**[Question:** Rather than 25 years of denials, and with less time and money than spent in all their cover-ups to avoid the factual evidence, why has the GBC not tested their own Srila Prabhupada hair samples and

teeth (that they have now disappeared)? Does the GBC really want to find the truth and disprove what they call the "poison theory"?]

### THE PROOF IS THERE TO SEE AND HEAR, BUT...

"There are none so blind as those who will not see, nor none so deaf as those who will not hear." It is counter-productive to try to convince those who are dishonest at heart or who are not open to truth or facts. Those who cling to the hope Srila Prabhupada was not poisoned, in spite of the mountain of evidence that proves it, will somehow try to create some doubt. You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink, nor it is not possible to wake up someone pretending to be asleep. It is no use to waste time with fanatics, whose beliefs are threatened by the truth of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, and how it will end their world.

Even Bhakti Vikas Swami, an otherwise honest man who is inclined, when he can get away with it, to criticize the hypocrisy and cheating of the GBC, could not see through the obvious and blatant deception of Mayeswara's book and the contrived fault-finding of the mountain of evidence in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. ISKCON misleaders are quick to endorse lies, deceit, fraud, misrepresentation, misquoting, huff and bluff, smoke and mirrors, false allegations, the big lie strategy, institutional obstruction, and all stripes of dishonesty to desperately stave off the bright light of truth that is now blinding them in the face. Thus they take shelter of argumentativeness, not truth.

"This poison conspiracy has caused so much alienation, hurt, resentment, and chaos in all branches of the Vaishnava community, and this rumor has been so disruptive to Lord Chaitanya's movement."

Well, truth sometimes hurts, but to the contrary, ultimately it heals, and is the right path to follow (as taught by King Yudhisthira). Should we hide from truth, afraid of it? No. Each one of us must use our God-given intelligence to ascertain truth, regardless what others say or believe. The world is full of lies; the GBC-gurus have cheated us time and again. Let us study the facts and evidence and judge for ourselves.

### CADMIUM: ACCIDENT, ENVIRONMENT, OCCUPATION?

Could Srila Prabhupada's poisoning be accidental where he somehow ingested sufficient heavy metals to produce such high levels over 10 or more months? Scientific evaluations in previous chapters practically rules out any accident: (1) His sky-high levels in three hair tests are not seen in any other person in the scientific literatures involving accidents or environmental/ occupational exposure, as these levels are so lethal that no victim would have survived 10 months as did Srila Prabhupada. (2) The poisoning was chronic, so how can there be a constant yearlong accidental exposure while his health unexplainably deteriorated and he moved to numerous different locations?

What consumer product, pollution, etc could have caused an average of 16 ppm hair cadmium over 10+ months? Why was only Srila Prabhupada affected? All accidental exposure to cadmium is ruled out because no one else suffered his "disease." His cadmium levels were unique to him only, being the result of a deliberate, person-specific poisoning. Srila Prabhupada was constantly surrounded by others, none of whom were similarly afflicted. *It was a pin-pointed, exclusive poisoning.* It is tiring to hear so many excuses of "ifs, thens, and buts" from the GBC about how these unprecedented cadmium levels might have come from so many things other than a deliberate poisoning.

### TOXIC BUILDUP DUE TO SO MANY MEDICINES?

Another GBC theory about how Srila Prabhupada was poisoned (but then why do they also say **he was not poisoned**?) is that he took so many medicines in his last year that he developed a toxic "build-up" of "chemicals" in his liver which then acted *like poison*. When it gets too difficult to deny the poisoning, the GBC then tries to explain it as accidental. The GBC speaks of toxic build-up from different medicines, of accumulation of cadmium-tainted medicines, hair analysis is flawed, zinc supplements have cadmium, etc. We note that Srila Prabhupada took no single medicine for more than a few days, most were Ayurvedic, so the idea of a toxic build-up from allopathic drugs is wild speculation. The GBC uses zany speculations to *create doubts only*, without any proof or common sense. E.g., one would die from zinc toxicity long before accumulating even a fraction of Srila Prabhupada's cadmium from zinc supplements, which he did not take anyway. And nobody has died from zinc supplements. We need to identify a poisoning route unique to Srila Prabhupada, not one that applied to many others.

### WHY BRING THIS POISON ISSUE UP AGAIN?

This question implies two misconceptions: Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is unprovable and simply speculation, or it has already been disproved and settled. On the contrary, Srila Prabhupada's heavy metals poisoning *is now proven as a fact*, clear to any reasonably honest person.

Some say what is done is done and now we must focus on "positive" work going forward. Srila Prabhupada's followers cannot tolerate physical assault against Srila Prabhupada, much less a torturous chronic cadmium poisoning. Upon the pure devotee being offended, shastra advises one to defeat the offender, give up his life, or leave that place, lest "*he falls down from his position of devotion*." It is too late to prevent it, but not too late to investigate, find the truth, and to "defeat" the culprits and their spoiling of the movement. With the irrefutable

evidence validating the crime, who can neglect their duty to defend Srila Prabhupada and his work? We need to revisit this issue because hardly anyone understands the facts and evidence. Most don't even read anymore or have time, clarity of mind, or determination to properly understand any issue. Almost everything now is propaganda or entertainment. Still, we made this reference book to cover the whole subject with objectivity, accuracy, honesty, and clarity. The pen is mightier than the sword, and we hope this volume is useful.

### "WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES HIS POISONING MAKE?"

May 26, 2017, Bhakti Vikas Swami: "After seeing your poison evidence video, it seems your position was almost incontrovertible... IMHO only a court case could settle this. But what would be the point? What difference would it make to ISKCON today?"

Does anyone think that the poisoners, after Srila Prabhupada departed, would faithfully carry out Srila Prabhupada's desires? They succeeded in their guru coup and ISKCON is radically changed today by their deviations and influence. No problem here? In international politics, an assassination and secret coup d'état would be met with great opposition and demands for popular elections, not a shrug of the shoulders to pretend it makes no difference. The poisoners instituted a false guru regime which has diverted the Acharya's assets to their guru franchises (including Bhakti Vikas Swami's). Therefore, ISKCON gurus today just want the poisoners' guru regime to continue undisturbed. Srila Prabhupada's sincere followers want to remove the pollution of the poisoners, their accomplices, supporters, and deviant doctrines. The poisoning has resulted in a total corruption of ISKCON since 1977.

If your older brothers inherited the family estate when your father died under suspicious circumstances, and later you learned the father was poisoned, would it matter to you? Maybe the father's last instructions and will had been hidden or changed? Maybe your inheritance was stolen by the older brothers who stole the estate for themselves and the father's intentions were subverted? This makes no difference? Don't you owe your father to at least to see that his will was executed as he wanted? Such a disposition is pathetic and criminally immoral. Damaghosh das:

"Only a heartless person would have no feelings that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned, at such advanced age, and who did so much for all of us and humanity. The murder must be punished and the ISKCON leadership removed. Every deviation in ISKCON today stems from this primary hati mata sin of killing guru and becoming guru. The world in general would not be the same today, if the Hare Krishna movement had not been hijacked. Nothing could have stopped us- and it wouldn't have, as Srila Prabhupada told us- we ourselves were the only ones who could stop 'us.' And that is exactly what happened."

### CADMIUM HAS NEVER BEEN USED AS A POISON?

**Untrue.** We have listed 16 examples of such in recent history, and since only 10% of poisonings are discovered, the number is far higher. Cadmium poisoning is unusual and rare, but it is effectively lethal. ISKCON's GBC insists the idea of homicidal cadmium poisoning is ludicrous because: (1) it was unknown in 1977, (2) and there are no such cases on record. *Both are totally untrue*. Knowledge of poisoning methodologies were readily available before 1977 in literatures and medical publications. The 1960's discovery of Napoleon's high hair arsenic gave much attention to the subject of poisoning. Those involved in the 1977 poisoning may well have read the 1972 book *Who Poisoned Napoleon?* From *Toxicology of the Eye* by WM Grant (1974): "*Ingestion of cadmium salts has caused severe and sometimes fatal poisoning*."

By the 1940's cadmium became prolific in modern industrialized society and accidental cadmium poisoning was frequent, and cadmium poisoning studies began with Friberg/1950, Bonnell/1955. Cadmium causing life-threatening kidney malfunction was well known by 1977. Japan's infamous 1960's "itai-itai" incident involved 100s with cadmium tainted rice fields. Still, aside from those with cancer or kidney failure after years of environmental or occupational exposure, the medical literature shows cadmium to be a rare poisoning agent. But using cadmium salts to poison someone is very feasible, effective and secretive. Creative exotic heavy metals poison cocktails is a logical choice for anyone with some chemistry background. To say, "it was not possible in 1977 because it was unknown," is just GBC fraudulent disinformation.

### SIXTEEN CADMIUM POISONING CASES

(1) Turgut Ozal, the President of Turkey (1989-1993) died suddenly Apr. 17, 1993. An autopsy of his exhumed remains revealed four poisons, including cadmium. (2) Aug. 8, 1995 the funerals for prominent Moscow businessman Ivan Kivelidi and his secretary were held. They were *killed with cadmium* smeared on a phone and in their tea.

(3). John Harris Trestrail III, of the Center for the Study of Criminal Poisoning, in his database of 900 poisonings worldwide, documented one case of murder by cadmium. (4). July 23, 1981: Two youths (14 and 15) gave cadmium chloride mixed in a drink to 11 children, but no one died. (5) John Creamer was arrested Dec. 19, 2002 in Florida and indicted for his wife's murder. "Cadmium toxicity and the death resulting from that is extremely rare." Searching his home, deputies found three containers of cadmium. (6) In early 2019 a California chemical engineer,

David Xu, was charged with lacing a colleague's water with cadmium, which was not fatal. (7) Cadmium (7 X normal) is one of the toxic substances that Italian prosecutors detected in the blood of Imane Fadil after her death from organ failure in hospital. The 33-year-old Moroccan-born model had been a key witness in the "bunga bunga" sex party trial of former Italian PM Silvio Berlusconi.

(8) Patrick H. Sherrill committed mass murder and then suicide on Aug. 20, 1986. His hair analysis revealed very elevated levels of cadmium and lead. (9) Yukai Yang, a chemistry student was charged for poisoning his roommate in Dec. 2018. He mixed thallium and cadmium in drinks, food, and mouthwash, and the victim still suffers ill effects. (10) In 2019 a 57-year-old "Klaus O." was convicted in the deaths of 21 co-workers by spiking their sandwiches with *high levels of cadmium and mercury*, caught on a surveillance camera. (11) Jan. 16, 2003: Three persons were to be exhumed with suspicions of cadmium poisoning. Ann Nagg's body had already been exhumed in connection with the homicidal cadmium poisoning of a fourth person, Russell Repine.

(12) July 8, 2019: Nigeria's 66-year-old Muslim leader Sheikh Ibrahim al-Zakzaky had "large and dangerous quantities of lead and cadmium" in his blood while in prison, requiring urgent medical care abroad. (13) Aslan Bzhania accused the leader of Abkhazia, Raul Khajimda, of poisoning him. He was hospitalized and found to have high levels of blood cadmium (May 17, 2019). (14) Suspected murder: Acute Cadmium Ingestion (Buckler Et Al 1986) "A woman (age 17) had ingested a massive dose of 150 gm of cadmium chloride..."

(15) Japanese singer and actress, Noriko Sakai, in 2009 was poisoned by her husband, who laced her food with cadmium and who was sentenced to 18 years in prison for attempted murder. (16) Former Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko died in 2006 after being poisoned with a dose of radioactive polonium-210 that was laced with cadmium.

*Sixteen cases of cadmium poisonings.* Political assassinations worldwide appear to be using cadmium as one ingredient in a mixture with others (e.g., with arsenic and antimony, just as was done with Srila Prabhupada). Those who deny Srila Prabhupada's poisoning even in the face of all the irrefutable conclusive evidence put forward various false theories and objections which are mostly dishonest maneuvers to avoid the truth, while some are emotional reactions. Some objections come from being misinformed, misled, or ignorant of the facts and evidence.

# PART SEVEN: TRUTH AND TRIUMPHANT DEPARTURE

Translation (CC Mad 15.163): My dear Lord, let me suffer perpetually in a hellish condition, accepting all the sinful reactions of all living entities. Please finish their diseased material life. Purport: Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Thakura gives the following commentary on this verse. In the Western countries, Christians believe that Lord Jesus Christ, their spiritual master, appeared in order to eradicate all the sins of his disciples. To this end, Lord Jesus Christ appeared and disappeared. Here, however, we find Sri Vasudeva Datta Thakura and Srila Haridasa Thakura to be many millions of times more advanced even when compared to Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ relieved only his followers from all sinful reactions, but Vasudeva Datta is here prepared to accept the sins of everyone in the universe. A Vaishnava is so liberal that he is prepared to risk everything to rescue conditioned souls from material existence. Srila Vasudeva Datta Thakura is universal love itself, for he was willing to sacrifice everything and fully engage in the service of the Supreme.

# CHAPTER 27: ENORMOUS RAMIFICATIONS

#### THE MAIN ISSUE IN THE HARE KRISHNA MOVEMENT

The honest investigation into Srila Prabhupada's departure under suspicious circumstances is of great relevance and importance to the future of the Hare Krishna Movement. The conclusive evidence is that Srila Prabhupada was lethally poisoned. Everything in ISKCON since 1977 is colored by this double poisoning (Vol.1, 2, 3, 5, 6). The ramifications of this pollution of Srila Prabhupada's mission are enormous and requires the slate must be cleaned to start over. Dishonest, corrupted, and ill-motivated ISKCON misleaders are now part and parcel of the poisoner hijackers' regime, and of course they deny the poison evidence vigorously and with all means at their disposal.

Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is *the primary issue* in the Hare Krishna movement: all other issues are secondary to this "crime of the millennium." Book changes, guru issue, initiations, deviations, child

abuse-- all these came after (and because of) Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. ISKCON has only given us cover-ups and denials. History often requires corrections from verified evidence of the accurate picture of the past. Anyone who has affection for Srila Prabhupada or has received a measure of his divine grace, upon understanding that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned with heavy metals, will quickly grasp how the Hare Krishna movement has been corrupted, and that the poisoners of the Founder-Acharya's physical body have also poisoned his mission and his mercy. Those who defiled Srila Prabhupada's body did the same to ISKCON. They engineered a "gurujacking" of the movement by falsely assuming the post of acharyas, instituting a flawed guru regime based on fealty and patronage. Srila Prabhupada's being poisoned for personal gain explains the turbulent history and troubles of the Hare Krishna movement since His Divine Grace physically departed.

The profound ramifications of a homicidal attack on the Founder-Acharya, followed by a coup by senior men, is the source of all ISKCON anomalies. An overhaul of Srila Prabhupada's mission is required to restore its spiritual health. Srila Prabhupada's mission has been usurped by his poisoners, who deceitfully claimed their right as his inheritors. It would be a great disservice to His Divine Grace if his followers did not rectify this catastrophe. Deep discussion and sincere cooperation is needed to correct the endemic corruption that has consumed ISKCON and Srila Prabhupada's divine mission. This disease must be eliminated in a restoration of the Hare Krishna movement.

#### "GREAT SINISTER MOVEMENT IS WITHIN OUR SOCIETY"

This phrase from a Srila Prabhupada letter in 1970 to Hansadutta das was a mystery to devotees: what was Srila Prabhupada referring to? The Gaudiya Math's envious Godbrothers who wanted to take over ISKCON? *But they are not "within.*" We think it refers to the ambitious insiders wanting to take Srila Prabhupada's place. In 1970 some senior disciples tried to take over, relegating Srila Prabhupada to a figurehead role. *The great sinister movement is the personal ambition to be guru*. Later it evolved into a plot to poison Srila Prabhupada's body and then poison his mission with doctrines to facilitate disqualified men taking the post of Acharya. With the pure devotee's unparalleled success, ambitious men sought to steal that success for themselves, being attached to profit, adoration, and distinction. The purpose of poisoning Srila Prabhupada was to take his place, which the zonal acharya successors did until forced to include other ambitious men too (who kept biting the dust).

Thus the disease of serving one's dirty heart became an accepted practice, all disguised as holy preaching (which requires sitting in Srila

*Prabhupada's seat?*) For 45 years the great sinister movement of facilitating personal ambition by exploiting the assets of the real Acharya Srila Prabhupada has been staining, defiling, and seeping into the fabric of Srila Prabhupada's mission. ISKCON became a guru franchise operation, from ultra-large (over 50K disciples) to small-timers (1-2 disciples). But thousands refused to cooperate with the jackals and hyenas who ravaged Srila Prabhupada's assets, and they left the institution. The real history of ISKCON must be made known (Vol. 5, 6).

The poisoners and their followers/heirs ruined Srila Prabhupada's hard work, one deviation at a time until ISKCON is unrecognizable. Today's officially accepted policies and doctrines are those Srila Prabhupada clearly preached against. Srila Prabhupada's instructions are ignored and new gurus are free to audaciously enunciate their own interpretations, with no questions allowed. "But when the guru departs, sadhu and shastra can take on a new import, as those who succeed him become the new interpreters of past precedents, scriptural law, and the new set of circumstances." (Perils of Succession, Tamal 1996)

The great sinister movement of personal ambition (*Tamalism*) must be purged from Srila Prabhupada's mission. Whether that means a restoration of the original ISKCON institution, which seems hopeless considering the endemic corruption, or it means a new ISKCON, such as breakaway temples or starting again from scratch, only by the open discussion of issues and distribution of facts, evidence, and truths, will positive results come about. Truth dispels all ignorance; just as when the Sun rises, darkness is dissipated. Lord Chaitanya and Srila Prabhupada's mercy, as preordained, will change the face of this planet for 10,000 years. The great sinister movement does not stand a chance. Of course, how soon things are rectified depends on sincere, proactive devotees striving to please Srila Prabhupada with all they have. ISKCON history is parallel to how Srila Prabhupada described Christianity:

"Now, after taking instruction from Christ, first of all they killed Christ. That means they could not understand the instruction. Therefore their first business was to kill the instructor. And after that, two thousand years passed, still they are killing. So when they have accepted the teachings of Lord Christ?" (SPConv, 1975, Perth)

ISKCON was hijacked by low-minded men who mercilessly poisoned Srila Prabhupada and conspired to sit on his seat, stealing the assets of the Movement with the demonic idea to cheat spiritual seekers and exploit them. They lied about being appointed as successor acharyas and goaded everyone into worshipping them as pure devotees.

#### THE RELEVANCE OF THE DISAPPEARANCE PASTIMES

Some think the circumstances of Srila Prabhupada's passing away are not as significant as his life and achievements, and that we should focus on his life instead. This, however, does not recognize the grave consequences for Srila Prabhupada's life's work by his mission being usurped by poisoners who have infiltrated and ruined ISKCON. We must preserve Srila Prabhupada's life accomplishments. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning raises immense concerns for the integrity and purity of Srila Prabhupada's mission. *Should a robbed bank just go on with its business as usual, even after the bank robbers killed the manager and diverted all future incoming bank deposits to their own accounts?* 

"All it takes for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." Those who poisoned Srila Prabhupada either still have a place or hand in Srila Prabhupada's institution, and their followers, heirs, beneficiaries are exploiting ISKCON with the poisoner-hijackers' post-1977 deviant policies. Their hijacking is factual history (Vol. 5). The poisoners' regime continues to defile Srila Prabhupada's mission. We must restore the movement *as it was when Srila Prabhupada left it* in our care. Will we support the present ISKCON misleaders who have covered up and denied what is now proven to be true, or act as guardians of his movement (Vol. 8). ISKCON's misleaders defend their illicit regime by obscuring the truth that Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. Their regime will crumble when enough devotees understand that Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was the means by which their hijacking and present-day deviant policies were established.

"So you all write very strongly, vehemently. Even it is a little offensive, still these rascals should be taught a lesson. Yes. They're misleading..." (SPL Apr. 19, 1973) We must allow free discourse and discussion of controversial or sensitive issues. It is spiritually healthy to cope with controversies that arise and which have everything to do with our progress in Krishna consciousness. Without careful thought and deliberation there cannot be a true spiritual society. "A sincere student should not neglect to discuss the conclusions of the shastras, considering them controversial, for such discussions strengthen the mind. Thus one's mind becomes attached to Krishna."

### **ISKCON GURUS IMPLICATED IN THE POISONING**

Whether directly involved in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning or not, all ISKCON gurus are implicated in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Their positions were falsely created by the poisoners who claimed they were appointed as acharyas and that they could add others later. Tainted by this crimes, all subsequent ISKCON gurus have aided and abetted the original crime by sharing in the "take" of illicit gains, supporting and being deeply complicit in a regime based on murder and theft. They are the beneficiary of a murder. *It is like accepting dirty money or stolen property- it is still stolen, even if you did not directly steal it yourself.* Knowingly accepting stolen property is also criminal. The original 11 (and then the 150 ISKCON vote-approved gurus) gained guruhood from Srila Prabhupada's poisoning and ISKCON's hijacking, first based on the lie that Srila Prabhupada had appointed successor gurus, and then that the GBC was authorized to approve more gurus.

All ISKCON gurus have their guruship because some of the original 11 poisoned Srila Prabhupada. Tamal and Bhakticharu are gone, but other poisoners remain in ISKCON's top leadership. The whispers implicate at least 4 senior men in the poisoning, and surely others knew or were involved. The definition of abetting a crime includes assisting the criminals escape and by refusing to honestly investigate the crime. ISKCON misleaders are sheltering the prime suspects and holding onto illicit gains that came to them only because Srila Prabhupada was poisoned. They all share in the sin of the poisoning crime by aiding and abetting. Since 1956 the law in India is that a murderer cannot inherit the property of their victim. Yet the murderous ISKCON GBC-guru regime has inherited their poisoned guru's assets. Let us not mince words here.

### POISONING FOLLY IS THE ULTIMATE BLASPHEMY

The Hare Krishna movement will go on as divinely ordained even after the poisoning of Srila Prabhupada body and mission. The Supreme Lord's will is that this movement will flourish, prosper, and spread all over the world, to every cowpath village and town. Sometimes, out of fear, the uneducated, weak, or cowardly tolerate blasphemy or offenses against the bona fide spiritual master, but this is condemned in scripture. "Suppose if somebody comes to kill me, and you will see and laugh? You'll do? Will you do that? Why? That is sinful." (SPConv)

"Krishna was attempted to be killed from the very beginning of His life. That is the nature of this material world, 'How to kill God,' [and guru] 'God is dead.' This is their attempt." (SPLecture Nov. 19, 1976)

Srila Prabhupada struggled and sacrificed so much to give us Krishna consciousness, and if we take his mercy and his gifts, we are indebted to him. We should consider how to repay Srila Prabhupada. He wants us to stick to the process of chanting Hare Krishna, and *he also wants us to preserve and propagate his pure teachings*. We must defend Srila Prabhupada's transcendental mission and divine mercy.

It is a difficult journey to understand what happened to Srila Prabhupada in his last year. Not all have the strength to deal with it. The truth of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes are more than most tender hearts can accommodate, and they need time for assimilation. For many, coming to understand about Srila Prabhupada's passing away, based on his own statements and scientific confirmations, was the hardest time of their life. Disbelieving persons may shove aside the evidence and facts and cling to prior beliefs. Many devotees will resist accepting the truth, as it disrupts their attachments, psyche, paradigms. Cognitive dissonance is a challenge to overcome, and it requires an open and honest mind (it helps if one is not subservient to the political pressures within ISKCON). But in the end, truth is very healing.

In light of so much false propaganda and obfuscation to prevent understanding of Srila Prabhupada's departure pastimes, *historical revisionism* may be necessary, to bring history into accord with verified facts. Usually facts and official history are at odds because institutions falsify the past to keep their membership loyal and subservient to their corruptions (Orwell's 1984). The material world is a dirty place, and so it is difficult to see the lies and misconceptions obscuring the hidden history and proper understanding of Srila Prabhupada's final pastimes.

The sincere will be able to understand the truth whereas those under the spell of false preachers and narratives will miss out. The huge stock of evidence definitely proves Srila Prabhupada was homicidally, lethally poisoned with heavy metals. This has been revealed by Lord Krishna. The GBC elite knows very well that if Srila Prabhupada's departure pastimes were to be properly investigated, major unpredictable disruptions and change in ISKCON would take place, jeopardizing their guru scam. Their denials and repression are due to *vested personal interests* and *calcified institutional corruption*. Presentation of facts, evidence, actual ISKCON history, and philosophical siddhanta will rectify the institution. Truth be known. No more cover-ups.

Srila Prabhupada's place was stolen by "successor acharyas." This is ISKCON history. We must return to square one and re-evaluate the existing order in ISKCON, effecting a major housecleaning. The truth of Srila Prabhupada's final pastimes has yet to be assimilated into the Hare Krishna movement, but this is inevitable when the Sun of truth rises: all becomes self-evident. Research shows that when 10-11% recognize a truth, a societal paradigm shift occurs. So: 1%, 2%, 3%... and the day will come soon when that truth becomes accepted.

We did not know of the poisoning in 1977, but at least we can act now to protect his mission from the contaminating deviations of his poisoners and their successors. It is auspicious to enlighten Srila Prabhupada's followers about the facts and evidence of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, and to counteract the cover-ups. With the mountain of evidence that Srila Prabhupada was intentionally poisoned, how can we remain silent? *Silence and complicity are close friends*. It is a question of defending Srila Prabhupada's mission, the prime benediction for humanity. Devotees want the truth of the internal and external features of his transcendental disappearance pastimes.

With ISKCON's cover-ups, disinformation, and stubborn adherence to lies, dishonesty, and denials of the facts and evidence in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, the corrupted institution has become parallel to the "global elite" who are also engaged in other types of lies and tyranny. The planet is run by great powerful demons who exploit the innocent people in the most horrible ways possible, as they ruthlessly oppress the masses. "By propaganda, you can do any false thing [...] propaganda is called in Bengali, dasha cakre bhagavan bhutha [...] By propaganda you can establish a false thing as real." (SPLecture Apr. 14, 1975)

# CHAPTER 28: HIS AMAZING TOLERANCE AND MERCY

(1) "Suppose if I am here and somebody kills me, and if you do not protest, is it a very good business? People will be surprised that, 'So many disciples are there, and this man is being killed, and nobody do anything?'" (SPLecture Oct. 27, '74) (2) "So as Krishna was attempted to be killed... And Lord Jesus Christ was killed. So they may kill me also." (SPConv May 3, 1976)

(3) "The difference between sakama and akama devotees is that when sakama devotees, like the demigods, fall into difficulty, they approach the Supreme Personality of Godhead for relief, whereas akama devotees, even in the greatest danger, never disturb the Lord for material benefits. Even if an akama devotee is suffering, he thinks this is due to his past impious activities and agrees to suffer the consequences. He never disturbs the Lord. [...] Even while suffering in the midst of difficulties, devotees simply offer their prayers and service more enthusiastically." (SBhag 6.9.40 Purport) (4) "Regarding your question about sufferings of master, you can simply ponder over Lord Christ's crucification." (SPL Rebatinandan 12.31.72)

## "HE WOULD HAVE PUT AN END TO THE POISONING ... "

Some say that Srila Prabhupada would have known if he was being poisoned, since he is a pure devotee, and to protect his movement, he would have exposed or stopped his poisoning, and since he did not do so, there was no poisoning. But... Srila Prabhupada *DID* expose his own poisoning on Nov. 9-10, 1977. There were extensive discussions about being poisoned, and Tamal directly asked, "So who is it that has poisoned?" Many shastric quotes indicate that Srila Prabhupada would not stop his own poisoning because: (1) he decided to tolerate it, just as Jesus Christ did not stop his crucifixion, (2) he accepted it as Krishna's will, (3) he did not want to inconvenience his assailants, like Haridas and the soldiers flogging him to death, (4) thinking we know what Srila Prabhupada should do is a mistake; he is a completely selfless pure devotee, uninterested in his own welfare. He was in the mood of Prahlad Maharaja, who tolerated everything his demon father did to kill him, feeling dependent on the Lord's protection and mercy.

We should not second guess the pure devotee. Whatever he did was perfect and under the authority and purview of the Supreme Lord. *TKG's Diary (p. 179): "Prabhupada's mind works so transcendentally! No one can possibly understand how the acharya thinks."* 

Christ did not object to his crucifixion and it was not the end of Christianity when he was crucified. Srila Prabhupada had a perfectly logical, transcendental rationale to quietly tolerate his poisoning. "The devotee does not do anything not sanctioned by the Supreme Personality of Godhead [...] Even the most learned or experienced person cannot understand the movements of a Vaishnava, a pure devotee. No one, therefore, should criticize a pure Vaishnava. A Vaishnava knows his own business; whatever he does is precisely right because he is always guided by the Supreme Personality of Godhead" (SBhag 9.4.68 Purport)

Srila Prabhupada said Bhaktisiddhanta had a disciple who had the "*personal motivation to do business with my guru Maharaja*," but he took the high road and did not reject his disciple, just as Lord Krishna accepted Putana as His mother. Similarly, Srila Prabhupada knew how fallen and dangerous some of his disciples actually were, and he carried on trying to reform and train them, accepting the positive service they gave him, in spite of their betrayal. We cannot demand Srila Prabhupada do as we (imperfectly) think is best.

"SP was obviously not in the mood of accusation in his final days. He may not have wanted a bloody riot at the last stage. When Tamal asked, 'Who is it that has poisoned?' he was silent. He did not deny, at this point, that someone gave him poison. He may not have answered because the poisoner was standing right in front of him. And apparently they had already subverted the movement and where were all those he had called to see him in his last days?" (Narasimha das, 2016)

#### THE PURE DEVOTEE'S TOLERANCE

Srila Prabhupada was not a conditioned soul fixed on self-defense. His poisoning was as a "ghastly rasa" which teaches us tolerance in the face of life's greatest calamities and reverses. Shastra confirms this.

(1) "Even if he suffers some reversals in life, a devotee is never agitated." (SBhag 4.24.20 purport) (2) "Being situated in such a position, one is never shaken, even in the midst of greatest difficulty." (BGita 6.23) (3) "An unalloyed devotee is never disturbed by any kind of trying circumstance." (SBhag 6.12.19 purport)

(4) "If one is situated in Krishna consciousness, then even in the greatest calamities he will not be disturbed." (Life Comes From Life)

(5) "While engaged in preaching work, he has to meet with so many opposing elements, and therefore the sadhu, or devotee of the Lord, has to be very tolerant. Someone may ill-treat him because the conditioned souls are not prepared to receive the transcendental knowledge of devotional service. [...] Sometimes devotees are personally attacked with violence. Lord Jesus Christ was crucified, Haridasa Thakura was caned in twenty-two marketplaces, and Lord Chaitanya's principal assistant, Nityananda, was violently attacked by Jagai and Madhai. But still they were tolerant because their mission was to deliver the fallen souls. One of the qualifications of a sadhu is that he is very tolerant and is merciful to all fallen souls. He is merciful because he is the well-wisher of all living entities." (SBhag 3.25.21 purport)

(6) About the mood of the pure devotee who endures his suffering and does not become his enemy's enemy: "A pure devotee is never disturbed in any circumstance... Thus it is better to suffer than to protest... Therefore he is calm, quiet and patient, despite many distressful conditions. A devotee is always kind to everyone, even to his enemy... He is tolerant, and he is satisfied with whatever comes by the grace of the Supreme Lord..." (BGita 12.13-14)

(7) "Srila Prabhupada [...] would try to rectify his disciple and encourage him to be more careful and go on with his duties. This wasn't the first time one of his leaders stumbled. But Prabhupada **never rejected them.** He had always done everything to save the person. Prabhupada kept the doors open..." (Vedavyasa das)

(8) SBhag: "The devotees of the Lord are so forbearing that even though they are defamed, cheated, cursed, disturbed, neglected or even killed, they are never inclined to avenge themselves. Purport: Rsi Samika also knew that the Lord does not forgive a person who has committed an offense at the feet of a devotee. The Lord can only give direction to take shelter of the devotee. He thought within himself that if Maharaja Pariksit would counter curse the boy, he might be saved. But he knew also that a pure devotee is callous about worldly advantages or reverses. As such, the **devotees are never inclined to counteract** personal defamation, curses, negligence, etc. As far as such things are concerned, in personal affairs the devotees do not care for them. But in the case of their being performed against the Lord and His devotees, then the devotees take very strong action."

### SRILA PRABHUPADA WAS EXTREMELY TOLERANT

Satsvarupa Oct. 14, 1977: "Just yesterday she [SP's sister] arrived here. After so many doctors tried to prescribe cures for SP and mostly failed, she has come and given Srila Prabhupada prasadam cooked by herself, and it is the first solid food he has been able to eat in months."

This indicates Srila Prabhupada deliberately fasted because he did not trust his food. So, when Pishima came, he ate, trusting her cooking. It seems Srila Prabhupada was well aware of the poisoning, but tolerated it while trying to avoid it as well. And Srila Prabhupada continued to accept service from those who were poisoning him. "Srila Prabhupada revealed in a matter-of-fact tone that **he had no choice but to accept the** service of anyone who Krishna sent to him. He had left Vrindaban because his Guru Maharaja asked him to preach in the West, so whoever Krishna sent he had to accept that service to satisfy his Guru Maharaja." (Unalloyed Devotion, p. 208)

Arjuna das: "This excellent Calcutta kaviraja came to Vrindaban to treat Prabhupada. He was sober, brahminical, from the Sri-sampradaya, very reverential to Prabhupada. One day he said, 'At first I doubted your Guru Maharaja was a paramahamsa. I have treated 1000s of dying people, and in this condition- when there's no more muscle and fat to cushion the nerves from being pressed against the bone- usually people are in such agony that I have to administer morphine. However, your Guru Maharaja never manifests the slightest expression of pain.' I also saw this in March-April in Bombay when Prabhupada's whole jaw was swollen. When we get a toothache, we can't tolerate it. But he tolerated it without any difference in his mannerisms, in his way of dealing with anyone, and he never complained. When the devotees tried to induce him to take care of his body, Prabhupada wasn't agreeable. It was very evident that Prabhupada was a successful astanga-yogi, that he had totally transcended his bodily conception and was a true living saint."

# "ALL RIGHT, LET ME DRINK (POISON)"

Scriptures explain why Srila Prabhupada was so tolerant.

"The Supreme Personality of Godhead sometimes puts a devotee to severe tests that are almost unbearable. One could hardly even live under the conditions forced upon Bali Maharaja. [He] endured all these severe tests and austerities is the mercy of the Supreme Lord. The Lord certainly appreciates the devotee's forbearance, and it is recorded for the future glorification of the devotee. This was not an ordinary test. [...] one of the mahajanas, the Supreme Personality of Godhead not only tested him **but also gave him the strength to tolerate** such adversity. The Lord is so kind to His devotee that when severely testing him the Lord gives him the necessary strength to be tolerant and continue to remain a glorious devotee." (SBhag 8.22.29-30 purport)

"Sadhu is titiksava, tolerates all kinds of miserable conditions [...] never disturbed. [...] A sadhu, who has got the shelter of Krishna, if he is placed in the severest type of dangerous condition, he is never disturbed. Just like Prahlad Maharaja, his father was putting him in so many dangerous conditions [...] He knew that 'My father has given me poison to drink. All right, let me drink. If Krishna likes, He will save me. [...] He forced Prahlad's mother, 'Give your son this poison.' [...] the son knew that the rascal father is giving this poison. What can he do, a small child? 'All right, let me drink." [...] He is not agitating. "All right, if Krishna likes, I will live.' This is the position of sadhu. He is not disturbed. [...] In all circumstances, he is tolerant. [...] Sadhu does not become disturbed. [...] he is merciful to others. Just like Jesus Christ. He is being crucified, and still he is merciful: 'God, these people do not know what they are doing. Please excuse them.' This is sadhu. He is personally being disturbed by the demons, but still, he is merciful to the general people. They are suffering for want of Krishna consciousness. So even up to the point of death, he is trying to preach Krishna consciousness. 'Let the people be benefited. Eh, what is this material body? Even if I am killed, I am not killed. This body is killed, that's all.' This is sadhu. [...] In one side he is tolerant, and other side, merciful." (SPLecture July 18, 1973)

#### TOLERATED HIS POISONERS OUT OF COMPASSION

This is hard to understand on the basis of our experiences in this cruel, material world, but Srila Prabhupada tolerated his poisoners because of his great compassion for them. They were doing devotional service, and even though it was mixed-bhakti, still he considered that more important than his own physical welfare. A pure devotee will not act in his own defense nor ask anything for himself, not even his own life. Srila Prabhupada only asked that he not be put in a hospital and not be tortured to death. A remarkable feature of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes is how he did not move to save himself nor to name or accuse his poisoners. Similarly, Christ on the cross prayed, *"Forgive them, O Lord, for they know not what they do."* 

This is the nature of a bona fide saint like Srila Prabhupada, yet some expect Srila Prabhupada to behave like conditioned souls: eat, sleep, mate, and defend. Haridas Thakur, still alive after being beaten mercilessly, said to his executioners, "*If my being alive for even one minute inconveniences you, then I will die immediately.*" So he apparently died, and was thrown into the Ganges. Jesus Christ also did not protest when crucified, though he had the power to escape. Srila Prabhupada knew who his poisoners were, but he did not care about himself, nor want to disturb those giving him some "shadow" service. Srila Prabhupada was reconciled to his departure and poisoning, although made the poisoning known in his last days. These are his glorious and transcendental, mysterious disappearance pastimes.

**COMMENT:** "Srila Prabhupada's final pastime closely reminds me with that of Jesus Christ, as I was born Christian. Like Jesus on the cross SP's body was 'nailed' to his bed and suffered numerous days of horrible torture. Jesus was described as extremely weak, dehydrated and suffocating. His true greatness is that even with all his suffering, he thought of others rather than himself. His words from the cross were, 'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

**WHY DID HE NOT SAY MUCH ON BEING POISONED?** (*Narasimha das*)

"If he had called out the poisoners, it would have caused turmoil and the movement's forward momentum could have been lost. The momentum could have been lost and probably few would have joined after 1977. A likely scenario: one faction would have believed SP; they would have immediately reacted with violence. Others would have defended the caretakers, who would create more offenses claiming SP was mistaken or demented (as they now say openly). SP had asked for all devotees to come to Vrindaban, but they were not told and no one came. He was likely thinking the movement had already been hijacked. SP said going on parikrama would cure him. But they didn't want him to go. He saw those near him were controlling the situation, and the devotees were scattered around the world. There are many possible reasons why he didn't say or do more regarding both initiations and being poisoned:

"(1) He wanted to spend his last days in the mood of a paramahamsa, not chastising neophytes and rascals. (2) He wanted the momentum he had created in ISKCON to continue for some time more. (3) He knew the cheaters would expose themselves. (4) He wanted more soul searching among his real disciples. (5) He wanted to delay things until later when it would be much easier to see that the GBC had gone rogue. (6) He wanted to leave sooner, seeing the situation of intrigue and deceit. (7) He was hearing and heeding the call of Krishna and another

mission. (8) This lila is like Christ's crucification and was ultimately meant for his glorification and his mission. Also, possibly some outside agency feared Srila Prabhupada and the Hare Krishna movement's rising power. The Hare Krishna movement's great success had likely riled the ruling powers. Srila Prabhupada did say that the planet was controlled by powerful rakshasas, so this is not just a silly idea." (END)

## ALL-REDEEMING SERVICE WAS MOST IMPORTANT

Regarding Srila Prabhupada's vagueness, ambiguity, and refusal to name his informant or poisoner, and his unwillingness to disclose more, he was either: (1) wary that his poisoners would cause disruption to his mission if he named them, or (2) concerned they would cease their allredeeming (shadow or mixed) service by exposing them. He put his poisoners' service, by which they were earning immeasurable, eternal spiritual benefit, even above his own physical well-being.

The pure devotee accepted poison from those who were rendering service to the movement. The poisoners were engaged in the ongoing preaching, even if their secret desire was only to use it for material gain. Srila Prabhupada understood that if exposed as poisoners, they would just deny it, and that, if unexposed, they would continue to expand the movement **even because** of their personal ambitions to enjoy his assets, and sit on his seat. Srila Prabhupada always encouraged everyone to keep chanting and serving Krishna, in all situations and regardless of motive, as this would eventually lead to a completely purified heart.

Partrikananda das reported, 1996: "Srila Prabhupada told Bhagatji that his disciples were not very advanced and he would not be surprised if they tried to do him great physical harm." Srila Prabhupada knew all that was going on:

"One who executes Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu's mission must be considered eternally liberated. He is a transcendental person and does not belong to this material world. Such a devotee, engaging in the deliverance of the total population, is as magnanimous as Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu Himself. [...] because his heart is always filled with compassion for all conditioned souls." (CC Mad 15.163)

## FURTHER ON SRILA PRABHUPADA'S TOLERANCE

"A devotee, however, is never disturbed by dangers, reverses, or calamities. Rather, he welcomes them. Because he is a surrendered soul, he knows that both dangers and festivals are but different demonstrations of Krishna, who is absolute. In the shastra [...] it is said that religion and irreligion, which are complete opposites, are merely the front portion and the back portion of God. But is there any difference [...]? God is absolute, and therefore a devotee, either in opulence or in

danger, is undisturbed, knowing that both of these are Krishna. When a devotee is in danger, he thinks, 'Now Krishna has appeared before me as danger.' In His form of Nrsimhadeva, the Lord was dangerous to the demon Hiranyakasipu, but the same Nrsimhadeva was the supreme friend to the devoted Prahlad Maharaja. God is never dangerous to the devotee, and the devotee is never afraid of dangers, because he is confident that the danger is but another feature of God. 'Why should I be afraid?' the devotee thinks. 'I am surrendered to Him.'" (TQK Ch. 8)

"After all everything is in God's control. Jesus Christ was crucified, Srila Prabhupada poisoned. But they did not protest. It was God's plan. They preached Krishna consciousness. It was their only concern. Prabhupada thought, 'Krishna, we should not take it seriously. They are demons. Our mission is to deliver them.' Jesus Christ and Srila Prabhupada were fighting with arrows of compassion thrown to each and every sinner equally. It is only Srila Prabhupada who delivers the whole universe. He is Guru, the spiritual master of everyone. Let us all humbly bow down to Srila Prabhupada. Let's follow a true master. Never should we imitate such a great soul." (Gauranga das, Aug. 2017)

"...this is Srila Prabhupada's final and perfect departure pastime. How else could the world understand the true compassion and tolerance of our acharya? Srila Prabhupada did not protest very much because he could see his duty from Krishna's direct speaking, same as Jesus could ask forgiveness of his crucifiers." (Dharma das, Aug. 2017)

After Srila Prabhupada said three times he thought he was being poisoned, he dropped the matter and did not mention it again. There are many indications he expected to be poisoned or killed, and he knew exactly what was going on months before Nov. 9-10, 1977. He tolerated it as the Lord's will. Srila Prabhupada accepted those who came to render him service, even if they were doing so disruptively with their personal ambitions. He accepted them as his servants and prayed for their deliverance.

It is hard to appreciate this level of tolerance and mercy, but Srila Prabhupada was the personification of the highest levels of such divine qualities. Lord Krishna also showed tolerance and mercy to Putana, who came to poison him in disguise.

SBhag 9.4.47 describes the tolerance of the pure devotee Ambarish Maharaja under deadly attack, and the same applies to Srila Prabhupada.

# CHAPTER 29: CAN THE PURE DEVOTEE BE KILLED?

In light of the proof of Srila Prabhupada's lethal poisoning, the question whether Srila Prabhupada could be killed is very interesting, as we know Srila Prabhupada is now not "dead" but has simply passed from our physical vision. Srila Prabhupada was not subject to the laws of material nature and his departure cannot be explained in material termshe is in the custody of the Lord's internal potency, and thus his disappearance is a transcendental pastime. From the spiritual perspective, Srila Prabhupada departed by the arrangement of Lord Krishna and he was not forced to leave this material realm due to karma or poison.

"B.V. Puri Maharaja, who Srila Prabhupada said was his only Godbrother not envious of him, asked Srila Prabhupada, 'Please stay another 10 years with these boys.' His answer was, 'They are all hard headed, I have done all I can do.' Prabhupada said many times, 'I can stay 100 years,' but he left after 81 years." (Gurukripa das, 2009)

Srila Prabhupada gave the example of the cat carrying in its mouth either the rat or its kitten. "Prahlad Maharaja was tortured by his father in so many ways, but **he was not affected**. ...Superficially... Just like in the Christian Bible also, that Lord Jesus Christ was tortured, but he was not affected. This is the difference between ordinary man and the devotees or transcendentalists. Apparently it is seen that a devotee is being tortured, but he is not tortured. [...] it is seen that a cat is carrying its kitties in the mouth [...] But it is not in pain. [...] But when the cat... catches one mouse, his life is gone. ...she is carrying in the mouth both of them. Similarly, whenever you'll find that a great devotee is placed into torturing condition, he does not feel..." (SPLecture 6.29.68)

Srila Prabhupada was given amounts of heavy metals that are lethal for ordinary men, and he endured this far longer than an anyone else could have. An ordinary man would surely have died much sooner. Srila Prabhupada was not killed by poison- he departed when he wanted and not because of poison. It was the poisoners who were in maya.

## GREAT DEVOTEES PERSECUTED THROUGH HISTORY

Throughout history, great religious preachers have been attacked, harassed, even apparently killed, by demoniac persons. Srila Prabhupada often noted the most famous example of Lord Jesus Christ. All but one of Christ's Apostles were killed. Saint Thomas was beheaded by an envious, non-Vaishnava king in southern India. Prahlad Maharaja was the victim of many assassination attempts from his own father. Haridas Thakura was homicidally tortured in 22 market places. Envious clerics tried to hire assassins to kill Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati in the 1930's.

Hardened materialists often try to repress the transcendental teachings of pure God consciousness as taught by Lord Chaitanya and His great devotees, but they are never successful in their intrigues. A pure teacher of God consciousness, the sad-guru, boldly propagates the message of the Absolute Truth, the Supreme Lord, by showing the path back to the Kingdom of Godhead. Atheists, impersonalists, false religious leaders, and other materialists who want to maintain the status quo in this world, will oppose the Lord's missionary work. Others spoil and exploit the mission of the eternal guru for their own prestige and profit. Powerful preachers are often crucified, imprisoned, attacked, or poisoned—even by their own people or followers, as was Jesus Christ, who was betrayed by Judas and priests. Srila Prabhupada: (1) "Just as they tried to kill Lord Jesus Christ, they may try to kill me also." (May 1976) (2) "Don't torture me and put to death." (Nov. 3, 1977) (3) "Better to kill me here." "Killed by Rama or killed by Ravana. Better to be killed by Rama." (Nov. 1977)

### THE SOUL CAN EXIST EVEN THROUGH THE BONES

The soul can remain in a body even if only bones remain, as did Hiranyakasipu. "A yogi can keep himself alive in a transcendental state even if buried not only for many days but for many years [...] the soul can exist even through the bones. [...] It appears that even if a yogi does not drink a drop of water, he can live for many, many years by the yogic process, though his outer body be eaten..." (SBhag 7.3.18)

Similarly Srila Prabhupada fasted or ate only tiny amounts for almost a year, and his body became emaciated, only bones and no muscle or fat, yet he stayed fully Krishna conscious and his body continued to function. His kaviraja was amazed when his heart and other organs appeared on the verge of collapse and then his condition returned to normal overnight. Srila Prabhupada maintained his body by spiritual strength; he was in the body but apart from it, in full control of life or death. Imagine the poisoners' frustrations how he continued to survive long after anyone else would have succumbed. Srila Prabhupada had the *shakti* to live in spite of any amount of poison, and he departed when it was either his decision (or Krishna's) to do so. The poisoners then foolishly thought that they had killed Srila Prabhupada. Lord Krishna also neutralized the lethal doses of poison given to Mirabai and Prahlad.

## FIRST UNDERSTAND THE POISONING IS A FACT, THEN...

Once one understands the evidence of a homicidal poisoning, *then* one can ask who did it. Unfortunately there are deniers with ulterior

motives that are not impressed by what Srila Prabhupada himself said about being poisoned, or who do not have the power of critical, independent thinking to assess the conclusive evidence. They want a mundane agency to confirm for them that there was indeed a poisoning.

The GBC has and will continue to cover-up the truth of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance pastimes. There is no use for more begging, polite petitions, cooperation, or expectations of any kind from them. The GBC cannot be trusted and they are an enemy of the truth. Ours is a war against a corrupt establishment intent on spoiling Srila Prabhupada's mission and mercy. First they poisoned him physically, then they poisoned his mission and mercy. The GBC deny and cover it up. Why didn't they order the suspects to submit to interviews, truth tests, or arrange for a trusted third party to handle further investigation? Or test Srila Prabhupada's hair and teeth that are in their possession? They won't even accept the results of tests that they left unfinished and invited others to complete. Instead, they had Mayeswara das say Dr. Morris does not know how to do NAA tests. Srila Prabhupada was poisoned with 250 X normal cadmium, an unprecedented level not even found in the scientific literatures. This truth is resonating with Krishna bhaktas and will end GBC tyranny. Who wants to be part of the poisoner's regime? Srila Prabhupada's mission will be restored by the power of the truth.

## MAYA CANNOT TOUCH A PURE DEVOTEE

(1) "...maya cannot touch a pure devotee: when you find a devotee is supposed in difficulty it is not the work of maya but it is the work of the Lord by his personal internal energy. The Pandava's tribulation in so many ways, Lord Ramachandra's departure to the forest, his wife the Goddess of Fortune's being kidnapped by Ravana, Lord Krishna's death being caused by the arrow of a hunter, Thakura Haridasa's being caned in 22 markets or Lord Jesus Christ being crucified- are all acts of the Lord personally. We cannot always understand the intricacies of such incidences. Sometimes they are enacted to bewilder persons who are demons. [...] We should only try to understand everything from the standard of devotional service. [...] anyone who is cent per cent engaged in the service of the Lord is transcendentally situated and the influence of maya has no more any action on such body. The Lord and his pure devotees are always beyond the range of maya's action. Even though they appear like action of maya, we should understand their action of yogamaya or the internal potency of the Lord." (SPL Apr. 3, 1968)

(2) "...Regarding my leaving, I'll not leave the planet until you order." (SPL, Bhaktajan das, Sept. 25, 1972) [Being poisoned could be considered an order to leave and no longer being welcome.]

(2) NOD Ch. 9: "'The devotee should be more tolerant than the tree and more submissive than the grass. He should offer all honor to others, but may not accept any honor for himself.' In spite of Lord Chaitanya's being so humble and meek as a devotee, when He was informed about injuries inflicted on the body of Sri Nityananda, He immediately ran to the spot and wanted to kill the offenders, Jagai and Madhai. This behavior of Lord Chaitanya is very significant. It shows that a Vaishnava may be very tolerant and meek, forgoing everything for his personal honor, but when it is a question of the honor of Krishna or His devotee, he will not tolerate any insult..." [or poisoning!]

#### **MURDER OF A SPIRITUAL BODY?**

Did anyone murder Srila Prabhupada? No, he departed when he wanted, being under the full protection of the Supreme Lord. From the material viewpoint, to think that Srila Prabhupada was killed by poison or that his departure was effected by poisoners is a wrong understanding. The pure devotee, by dint of his full knowledge and surrender to Krishna, is never limited by the workings of the material energy.

(1) **Devotee:** Does Lord Jesus Christ appear in the spiritual sky with the body he manifested on the earth? **SP:** Yes. Otherwise how there can be resurrection? Ordinary body cannot be resurrected. He **appeared in his spiritual body**, certainly. Jesus Christ told, if I remember, that "Lord, excuse these persons," who were crucifying him. Is it not? He knew that "These rascals, they are killing me, but... They are offending certainly. So they do not know that I cannot be killed, but they are thinking that they are killing." You see? But that was offensive, therefore he begged Lord to be excused because God cannot excuse to the offenders of the devotee. He can excuse one who is offender to God, but if somebody is offender to the devotee, God never excuses. Therefore he prayed for them. That is devotee's qualification. He prays for everyone, even of his enemy. And **he could not be killed**. That he knew. But those rascals, they thought they were killing Jesus Christ. (SPLecture Jan. 3, 1969)

(2) "You try to trace out the history of the world, you'll find always persons who are for Krishna or God, they have been persecuted. Lord Jesus Christ was crucified, Haridasa Thakura was caned in 22 market places, Prahlad Maharaja was tortured by his father. So there may be such things. Of course, Krishna will protect us. So don't be afraid. Don't be afraid if somebody tortures us, somebody teases us. We must go on with Krishna consciousness without any hesitation, and Krishna will give us protect." (SPLecture Oct. 21, 1968)

(3) SP: These, these rascals, they thought that "Jesus had a material body. Let us kill him." So Jesus Christ bewildered them more, to remain

rascal, that they will continue to think that Jesus had a material body. Jyotirmayi: Bewildered them? [...] SP: That is their punishment. They remain always in darkness that Jesus had a material body. (SPConv June 15, 1974) (4) "A pure devotee of the Lord does not live on any planet of the material sky, nor does he feel any contact with material elements. His so called material body does not exist, being surcharged with the spiritual current of the Lord's identical interest, and thus he is permanently freed from all contaminations of the sum total of mahattattva..." (SBhag 1.13.55)

(5) "It is therefore enjoined, gurusu nara-matih: one should stop thinking of the spiritual master as an ordinary human being with a material body. Arcye vishnau sila-dhih: everyone knows that the Deity in the temple is made of stone, but to think that the Deity is merely stone is an offense. Similarly, to think that the body of the spiritual master consists of material ingredients is offensive. Atheists think that devotees foolishly worship a stone statue as God and an ordinary man as the guru. The fact is, however, that by the grace of Krishna's omnipotence, the so-called stone statue of the Deity is directly the Supreme Personality of Godhead, and **the body of the spiritual master is directly spiritual**. A pure devotee who is engaged in unalloyed devotional service should be understood to be situated on the transcendental platform." (BGita 14.26)

So, Srila Prabhupada came in his spiritual body. He gave the example of the iron rod which has been heated until red-hot by the fire; essentially both are fire. Similarly the physical body of the spiritual master or pure devotee is completely "spiritualized" by its full contact with Krishna. Failure to understand Srila Prabhupada's transcendental position explains why many consider him to be "dead," unavailable, or no longer present in his instructions, murti or photo (Vol. 8). Srila Prabhupada was always under the Lord's protection. He said Krishna had left his staying or leaving in his hands. Srila Prabhupada's departure was not due to poisoning. *His departure is not about "murder," but about the sin and offense of trying to kill him*.

## SRILA PRABHUPADA COULD NOT BE KILLED

Those who thought they could speed up Srila Prabhupada's departure by poisoning him were truly in illusion, thinking Srila Prabhupada to be an ordinary man who could be killed by deadly chemicals. These dullards were senior leaders, and things have not improved since then. Prahlad Maharaja and Srila Prabhupada were both protected by Krishna: "*Thus the weapons of the demons had no tangible effects upon Prahlad Maharaja because he was a devotee undisturbed by material conditions and fully engaged in meditating upon and serving* 

the Supreme Personality of Godhead..." And in the purport: "...thus he was protected by Govinda... They may think that they can kill the Supreme Personality of Godhead and His devotee, but all their attempts will be futile. The Lord knows how to deal with them." (SBhag 7.5.41)

From Srila Prabhupada's last pastimes, during his lethal poisoning, there were remarkable episodes confirming how *the pure devotee cannot be killed*- he departs by his own or Krishna's desire. There were instances when his health symptoms indicated an imminent end of life, but then miraculously those symptoms vanished.

(1) "Sept. 27: Prabhupada was completely exhausted. Mucus was filling his whole system, and his legs and hands were very swollen. Even his eyes had much mucus. I felt nearly hopeless... At night, Prabhupada said his condition had gone from bad to worse... Sept. 28: Most amazingly, Srila Prabhupada improved considerably... Today, the mucus was practically gone. Prabhupada slept soundly the whole night; he now looked well rested." (TKG's Diary, p. 204-5)

(2) Also Nov. 10, days before his departure: "His pulse was missing some beats. Privately, the kaviraja said to us that since last night, he has become hopeless about Prabhupada's condition... Later in the day He took Srila Prabhupada's pulse, which measured 90 beats a minute and was stronger than in the morning, when it measured 115. The blood pressure, at 140/75, was perfectly normal. Now the heart was in order. From the pathological point of view everything was all right... The kaviraja was amazed that Srila Prabhupada's body was suddenly able to become better, not at all ordinary."

(3) "I'll be back to say that you defy all medical laws. Sometimes you become very weak and sometimes you become immediately strong." (SPConv Nov. 8, 1977) The kaviraja several times explained how one day he determined Srila Prabhupada's health condition was very bad, and the next day, it was very good and normal. Srila Prabhupada was not under the influence of the material energy and he was an accomplished, perfect yogi. They were astonished by this recurring phenomenon. The poison only acted as far as Srila Prabhupada allowed, and as a pure devotee and mystic yogi, he was actually unaffected by poison. He departed after prolonged lethal poisoning, not due to the poison, but at the time chosen by himself or Lord Krishna.

(4) "Shastri, the doctor, came 8 a.m. and declares Prabhupada's pulse to be normal. Kaviraj says that he has seen many, many patients, but never one with a body like Prabhupada's. One day everything will seem in disorder, but the next day everything will be perfect again. Today there is no more high blood pressure either." (Anantacharya das)

Srila Prabhupada amazingly endured minimum 10 months of 250 X normal cadmium levels. In Oct. '77 he stated it was up to him to stay or leave. "The unalloyed devotees of the Supreme Lord, who are totally surrendered souls, do not care when they leave their bodies or by what method... If the yogi is perfect, he can select the time and place for leaving this material world, but if he is not so perfect, then he has to leave at nature's will." (BGita 8.23 Purport)

## A PURE DEVOTEE CANNOT BE POISONED?

Shastra says that a pure devotee cannot be killed, but he can be poisoned, or his murder can be attempted. Pure devotees Prahlad, Mirabai, and Ramanujacharya were all poisoned. Haridas Thakur and Christ- both appeared to die but did not. But eventually all pure devotees who come to the temporary material world will somehow depart. A pure devotee's "death" is not like that of ordinary persons: he will leave this world by Krishna's divine arrangement, although appearing due to various material causes. Conditioned souls depart by karmic force. Srila Prabhupada withstood the poison by mystic power for 10-18 months and then departed like Bhishma did, at his own time and will. Bhishma remained for 2 months, pierced by dozens of arrows.

Srila Prabhupada described how he once, in Germany 1969, experimented travelling to the Sun via sunshine and mystic power. In Dallas in 1973, he joked about flying on American Airlines to be "one with us," and it was clear that he could have traveled around like Narada Muni, but that would have distracted from his message of bhakti. Many devotees experienced him to have read their minds and hearts. He had the power to negate the effects of poisons and to check the poisoners. But he chose to live like a humble devotee fully dependent on the Lord's arrangements. It is difficult to understand exactly how Srila Prabhupada was always protected, even when given poison, but shastra confirms it.

Swami In A Strange Land, p. 220: "Trailanga baba, a friend of Yogananda's grand-guru, Lahiri Mahasaya, had passed away not far from Prabhupada's childhood home when Prabhupada was still a boy. Rumors held that Trailanga had been more than 300 years old at the time. Visitors reported seeing him levitate, **drink poison without harm**, and shrink himself down to the size of a pea. Prabhupada described that as a boy he had witnessed mystic powers on display when his father took him to the circus... one popular yogi proved his resistance to rusty nails and another made a syrupy gulab jamun sweet appear from thin air."

If an ordinary yogi can drink poison, then what of the pure devotee of the Lord? Is it really so fantastic if Srila Prabhupada counteracted the cadmium he was ingesting and that he departed by his own will at the time he chose, in spite of lethal poisoning? No, this was totally within his capabilities. Prahladananda Swami wrote on Dec. 18, 1997 to the GBC email discussions group: "I don't agree with Ravindra Svarupa's idea that it is shastric evidence that Srila Prabhupada could not have been poisoned because he was a greatly empowered servant of Lord Krishna... Srila Prabhupada in his books never said that extraordinary empowered devotees do not die of unnatural means. He says the opposite, that even shaktyavesh avatars are sometimes killed while preaching Krishna consciousness."

(1) "There are many examples in history of devotees... who risked their lives for the spreading of God consciousness. ...Lord Jesus Christ. He was crucified by the nondevotees, but he sacrificed his life for spreading God consciousness. Of course, it would be superficial to say he was killed." (BGita 11.55) (2) "When something is arranged by the Supreme Personality of Godhead, one should not be disturbed by it, even if it appears to be a reverse according to one's calculation. ...sometimes we see that a powerful preacher is killed, or sometimes he is put into difficulty, just as Haridasa Thakura was. [...] Lord Jesus Christ was crucified, Prahlad Maharaja was put through so many tribulations. The Pandavas, who were direct friends of Krishna, lost their kingdom, their wife was insulted, and they had to undergo many severe tribulations. Seeing all these reverses affect devotees, one should not be disturbed; one should simply understand that in these matters, there must be some plan of the Supreme Personality of Godhead." (SBhag 3.16.37)

(3) "A preacher has to face many difficulties in his struggle to preach pure Krishna consciousness. Sometimes he has to suffer bodily injuries, and sometimes he has to meet death also. All this is taken as a great austerity on behalf of Krishna." (KRISHNA Book Ch. 29)

A perfected yogi can self-heal and withstand any attack on or condition of the material body. He can extend his life indefinitely. Vyasadeva and Aswattama are still living today after 5000 years. Christ "rose from the dead" after 3 days in his tomb. Srila Prabhupada, Prahlad, and Mirabai's poisons were all rendered impotent. Srila Prabhupada knew that even though some were trying to harm him, this would not impede the transcendental mission of the Lord. Some ask why would Srila Prabhupada leave his movement to poisoners and such rascals? He had little choice, because Krishna only sent fifth class men to help him, and Srila Prabhupada said he was obliged to engage whoever Krishna sent to him. It was Krishna's plan. But also, we see that on Nov. 10, 1977, after disclosing that he was being poisoned, Srila Prabhupada rejected his leaders with his "Ravana will kill" statement. He separated the wheat from the chaff, the rascal Ravanas from the sincere followers. "The spiritual master, or acharya, is always situated in the spiritual status of life. Birth, death, old age and disease [and poison] do not affect him. ...therefore, after the disappearance of an acharya, his body is never burnt to ashes, for it is a spiritual body. The spiritual body is always unaffected by material conditions." (SBhag 10.4.21 purport)

Watering The Seed, p. 187: "When Lord Nrsimha asked Prahlad to accept some benediction, Prahlad refused. ...though Hiranyakashipu tried to kill him, Prahlad prayed for his deliverance (and of all living entities). [...] So the guru is always so merciful. The guru will always be merciful to his disciple, even if the disciple tries to kill him. The disciple is ignorant, but the guru knows that the soul is eternal. [...] Although Valmiki wanted to kill Narada, still Narada gave him so much mercy. The guru will never reject a disciple because the disciple is sinful. Even if the disciple is offensive, when the guru sees that the disciple has rendered so much service, he will not leave him. He is so kind. [...] the guru of Gopa Kumara came to him again and again over so many thousands and millions of years. [...] one may not see the reciprocation of the guru. But actually he loves his disciples more than anyone, and he is serving them and reciprocating with them as no one else can."

Srila Prabhupada knew his mission was protected. He could have zapped his poisoners into dust, but this is not the mood of a devotee. "Being protected by the Supreme Personality of Godhead, a devotee is always powerful, but a devotee does not wish to show his power unnecessarily..." (SBhag 6.17.37 Purport)

SBhag 7.7.10: "...Indeed he is a great devotee, a powerful servant of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. Therefore you will not be able to kill him. Purport: There have been many instances in which demons or nondevotees have attempted to kill a devotee, but they have never been able to destroy a great devotee of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. [...] impossible for you to kill the child, even though you are demigods, and certainly it would be impossible for others."

## RAMANUJACHARYA WAS ALSO POISONED

Many objections to the "poison conspiracy" are based on the misconception that it is not possible Srila Prabhupada could have been poisoned, due to Krishna's protection of the pure devotee. However, the material world is the place of birth and death, and even pure devotees will appear and disappear when coming here. A pure devotee's departure or "death" due to diabetes or old age is Krishna's protection, and by poisoning not? An envious king conspired 1000 years ago to kill Ramanujacharya, who was poisoned, although he departed later because his mission was not yet complete, whereas apparently Srila Prabhupada's

mission was complete. "One day in the evening Ramanuja went to the temple. The high priest gave him sacramental water laced with a virulent poison. Ramanuja went into a trance-like state and staggered out of the temple. The next morning the high priest saw Ramanuja in a state of spiritual ecstasy with tears flowing down his cheeks. Ramanuja had lost all body consciousness and was absorbed in the beatific vision of the Lord. The high priest was filled with remorse and threw himself at Ramanuja's feet, beating his head on the ground. Ramanuja regained body consciousness and tenderly raised the postulant sinner, forgave him and healed his wounds with his touch."

Jesus Christ was crucified but not killed. He went on to Kashmir. Srila Prabhupada left only after months of lethal poisoning and when he was ready to go. Srila Prabhupada took far longer to leave than ordinarily possible, in view of such a catastrophic cadmium poisoning.

# CHAPTER 30: EXHUMATION OR LEGAL CASES?

#### EXHUMATION NOT NECESSARY NOR ADVOCATED

Fear-mongers protest that the poison issue will not be settled until Srila Prabhupada's transcendental body is exhumed for forensic tests. In murder investigations, exhumations sometimes involve the removal of a body from a grave to perform tests. But no exhumation is necessarythere are *already sufficient hair and teeth samples*, which are part of Srila Prabhupada's body, that never went into the samadhi pit, kept by various devotees as sacred relics. In Vol. 1 are listed five of Srila Prabhupada's teeth, several extracted after mid-1976 which can be tested for poisoning. The GBC has post mid-1976 hair samples too. Sky-high cadmium levels were already found in 3 Srila Prabhupada hair samples.

Disturbing the pure devotee's samadhi is unnecessary. Even Indian government authorities would be sensitive to public sentiments when dealing with a great Acharya such as Srila Prabhupada. It is not expected that government agencies would conduct an exhumation. Dr. P. Kumar, C.M.O., Dept of Forensic Medicine, Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi: "*The Indian government will not proceed with exhumations unless they are 95% sure of bringing down a murder indictment.*" That applies to just ordinary murder cases. Disturbing a saint's grave adds more doubt.

#### PROBABLE CAUSE FOR A GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATION

Following establishment of probable cause of murder, based on scientific and expert assessment of the evidence, a government investigation could be launched into Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. Once the verified and accredited scientific and forensic evidence is recognized by secular agencies to have sufficient "probable cause," government and law enforcement will do an investigation. There is no statute of limitation for murder in India or USA. The demands and pressures from devotees, the public, and religious leaders, who want to pursue the matter of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, will compel government to act. Then state agencies could order some type of testing, or may even require direct tests from the body rather than from hair that has been moving about or in storage for half a century.

ISKCON has opposed any honest, internal, or external investigation and has repeatedly covered-up the evidence, even banning discussion of the issue. *If there will be any kind of exhumation* done by secular authorities, it will be the fault of ISKCON's leaders who could have easily tested hair and teeth samples from Srila Prabhupada's body but refused to do so. Better if private tests are done. But, government may want to settle the matter in their own way. That would be the GBC's fault if it comes to that. *Note: conclusive proof of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is already in hand and detailed in this book.* 

# WILL PRABHUPADA'S POISONING GO TO LEGAL ARENA?

If Srila Prabhupada's poisoning is addressed in the secular legal arena, ISKCON will oppose this with their influence and even fraud or bribery, even while they chide "poison theorists" for not taking the evidence to legal authorities. They stonewalled the child abuse investigation and forced the gurukulis to sue them in court. They endlessly adulterated Srila Prabhupada's books, until scholars convened and deemed this to be academically prohibited and spiritually offensive, while others printed the original books to supply devotee demand. The GBC never shastricly justified their concocted guru system, though often resolving to do so. They suspended gurus for sexual improprieties and then reinstated them as deliverers of the fallen. How much chicanery and farce does it take to see that the institutional misleaders are RASCALS? The GBC is a *criminal organization* controlled by those who poisoned Srila Prabhupada, or those benefitting from the deviated systems and doctrines that the poisoners introduced into ISKCON.

*Legal action should be directed against the GBC*, individually and their West Bengal corporation, and not ISKCON itself, which holds Srila Prabhupada's assets and which must be rescued (like Sita) from the Ravanas. Charges of financial and administrative malfeasance, infliction

of emotional distress, abuse of office, employing deception, fraud, abuse of members... would be appropriate, as well as disobedience to the will of the Founder-Acharya, inflicting harm upon millions. Hell knows no fury greater than that of devotees who realize their GBCs are criminals.

Two primary suspects are expired: Tamal in 2002, and Bhakticharu in 2020. But other suspects remain alive. Before legally pursuing the poisoners, the crime of Srila Prabhupada's malicious poisoning must be secularly established. It would seem the legal systems of India or the USA would be the most appropriate and receptive venues to initiate police investigations and then legal court proceedings. It is simply a matter of organizing and presenting the evidence in a proper manner and beginning the process of criminal inquiry. However, in India, obstruction from ISKCON India will surely be vigorous. Still, Srila Prabhupada is a famous Indian national hero, and Indian national pride would not tolerate the unsolved crime of his poisoning, especially by mostly westerners.

If law enforcement ascertained Srila Prabhupada was lethally poisoned, even without proving by whom, this would precipitate seismic reformatory upheaval within the Hare Krishna movement. The cover-ups and denials will be the downfall of ISKCON's GBC and force a total housecleaning. Devotees will reject all that has happened in ISKCON since Srila Prabhupada's departure-- doctrines, guru system, everything. The coming governmental confirmation of poisoning would energize the drive to find the poisoners and unravel ISKCON's dark secrets.

## PUT THEM IN JAIL AND THEN ALL DONE?

When the poison matter is raised, many persons will think in terms of justice in a mundane court of law, simply wanting the poisoners be punished by being convicted and going to jail. But poisoning crimes do not lend themselves to easy convictions as courts need a high level of proof in order to convict and punish. This allows the GBC to maintain their duplicity, "*Oh, there is no proof of a poisoning*" as long there are no convictions. Yet many crimes are proven without convicting the perpetrators. Again, first prove the crime, then look for who did it.

It is far more important *to restore the mission* than it is in getting legal convictions. What good will it be to put a few poisoners in jail, and leave the GBC as it is, corrupted and deviated by the poisoners' deviant doctrines and false guru regime? Secular courts and judges cannot directly correct the GBC's deviations introduced into Srila Prabhupada's spiritual mission. This kind of justice lies beyond the jurisdiction of mundane courts and law. E. g., in the court of Yamaraja (punishment after death), the poisoning of a pure devotee warrants a far heavier punishment than the poisoning of an ordinary man, whereas today's laws

treat all men equally and do not protect animals from slaughter. Proabortionists proclaim "My body, my choice" while not considering the unborn child's body and rights. True justice is dictated by the laws of Manu or God, not via defective, contradictory, speculative modern laws.

Today there are no courts administered according to Vedic culture and the laws of Manu. So relying on the secular authorities to restore the movement after being plundered and abominated by poisoners is a pipedream. Rectification of the spiritual movement is beyond the understanding, capabilities, and jurisdiction of mundane courts or authorities. Courts can only determine if there was a crime and who did it, and punish according to mundane standards.

The Hare Krishna Movement can only be advanced by sincere devotees following Srila Prabhupada's instructions, who are capable to restore purity to Srila Prabhupada's mission. Thus our focus is to establish the truth regarding Srila Prabhupada's physical poisoning and rectifying the poisoning of his divine mission and mercy. Only Srila Prabhupada's followers can rectify the anomalies that have developed since Srila Prabhupada's departure. *Secular courts cannot do this*. Still, if some mundane justice is obtained, namely poisoners convicted, that would be good. *But there are much greater concerns at hand than just sending some poisoners to prison*. We must put Srila Prabhupada's mission back on the proper course that he had fought so hard to establish. We are more interested in restoring the movement's original purity and removing the poisoners' corruptions and deviations. (see Vol. 8, *Restoring Srila Prabhupada's Divine Mission*)

## PREPARING TO EXPOSE THE TRUTH TO THE WORLD

Exposure of Srila Prabhupada's homicidal poisoning to the world needs to be organized. The PTC has worked on this quietly for 20 years. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning evidence, with forensic studies and conclusive evidence, will lead to a collapse of the GBC denier regime. Forensic toxicologists, investigative anti-corruption journalists, sitting members of government, representatives and leaders of religious organizations, court judges, lawyers, honest ISKCON leaders, NAA experts and scientists, a foremost crime forensic laboratory, politicians, and ISKCON insiders, coordinated in a mixed secular-spiritualist campaign to expose the truth of Srila Prabhupada's glorious departure pastimes. Legal action against the GBC individually and collectively is inevitable in light of their criminal and fraud operations.

## **TRUTH IS THE PURPOSE**

This book series aims to distribute the truth, facts, and evidence about Srila Prabhupada's glorious and triumphant disappearance pastimes. The truth always serves us well, and ignorance and falsehood are always detrimental. *Srila Prabhupada's mission was hijacked by those who physically poisoned him, who then enlisted more ambitious men to poison the movement with defective doctrines to serve their corruption and exploitation of the Acharya's assets.* Srila Prabhupada's mission to save and deliver humanity from decadence into transcendence is almost ruined. His faithful followers must restore his ISKCON by removing poisoners, their allies, heirs, and also their deviant doctrines.

(1) "It is certainly not good to write literature for money or reputation, but to write books and publish them for the enlightenment of the general populace is real service to the Lord." CC Mad 19.132

(2) "The highest courage is, in the face of adversity, choosing right over wrong, ethics over convenience, truth over popularity. [...] Travel the path of integrity..." (Michael Moore)

There are many sincere devotees both inside and outside the corrupt ISKCON institution. To varying degrees, many understand the sad situation, while others have been hoodwinked by misleaders and blinded by *"Tamalism,"* the institutionalized pursuit of personal ambitions (see Vol. 2). The truth of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance and ISKCON's hijacking history is gradually becoming understood, by open discussion. Some think they disagree with the evidence, *but they do not actually know what it is.* Most never even have read the 1977 "poison discussions" with Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers. If they did, there would be 99% less doubts and questions.

One reason why many cannot appreciate the poisoning evidence is due to being dependent upon ISKCON or its misleaders. Independent thinking is almost absent from ISKCON. Some are simply unable to bear the emotional pain that Srila Prabhupada, our beloved eternal spiritual master, was poisoned. But the conclusive evidence speaks for itself. Srila Prabhupada's poisoning has been proven by science. Most devotees are sincere and intelligent, and upon receiving the facts and evidence, they can understand it quite well. Some devotees are compromised, in league with ISKCON's corrupt leaders, or intimidated by institutional pressures. They have been resistant to the truth of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning only because the facts and evidence have been hidden from them. Those who have been away from the oppressive influence of ISKCON for some years generally find it easier to understand things as they are.

Truth tellers have been banned, exiled, demonized by ISKCON. Only those who conform to the official ISKCON narratives and policies, as dictated by its deviant GBC, are allowed institutional facility or participation. Others are castigated, reviled, excluded, ridiculed, and sidelined, and thus the most intelligent members have migrated outside the tyrannical boundaries of the corrupted institution which operates for the benefit of its elite. Many have left to preserve their honor, spiritual principles, honesty, virtue. ISKCON can be reformed with a revolution of consciousness. Truth telling is essential to facilitate this awakening.

May further violence, chaos, schisms, divisions, and strife not disturb the movement; but history shows this unlikely. Somehow change will come. The corrupt regime of tyranny will end and Srila Prabhupada's divine influence will prevail. Once the poisoners' regime and their heirs are purged, along with their deviant doctrines (Vol. 6-9), the devotee society can heal and thrive through Srila Prabhupada's living instructions. When it is understood how Srila Prabhupada was maliciously poisoned, devotees will see exactly where ISKCON went astray and it will be set right again by the divine will of Lord Chaitanya and Srila Prabhupada's guiding hand. Meanwhile, we can expect bribes, dishonest "experts," threats, pay-offs, forged documents, character assassinations, death threats, or worse. But these are their "end times." Srila Prabhupada's mission and mercy will be restored and revitalized.

### WHO IS BEHIND THE PRIVATE INVESTIGATION?

PTC is an informal group of Srila Prabhupada followers tasked to uncover Srila Prabhupada's hidden glories in his disappearance pastimes. This is a collaborative effort to discover the truth and please Srila Prabhupada. The forensic tests and early private investigation was undertaken by Naveen Krishna, Jitarati, Mandapa, Nityananda. Essays, historical data, Srila Prabhupada siddhanta, and philosophical materials were collected from varied sources. Nityananda das did compilation and editing with submissions and advice from a team of ten devotees.

"A global body of very serious and dedicated followers of Srila Prabhupada with massive resources have been working quietly for years to bring these issues to full understanding in all the different forums trying to follow Srila Prabhupada.

"No stone will be left unturned in establishing the truth in facts and philosophy on all these issues and doing what is necessary to drive out the deviations and give back to Srila Prabhupada his global mission the way he wants it. All we want is the truth. If it is being hidden from us, then we will go looking for it. And find it we did..." (Naveen Krishna das, 2020)

# CHAPTER 31: TRUTH LABS REPORT

# TRUTH LABS FORENSIC STUDY (2020-23)

In 2020-23, a major new forensic study confirmed Srila Prabhupada's lethal, homicidal cadmium poisoning, done by Truth Labs in India, a world-class private investigative firm. This determination was made by a broad panel of forensic experts, including medico-legal experts, toxicologists, NAA experts, digital audio experts, and homicide investigators. This investigative forensic team has handled 15,000 cases over five decades, for governments, upper courts, senior attorneys, law enforcement, international agencies, multi-national corporations, and victims of crime and injustice. This new, sweeping, all-inclusive, encyclopedic, court-ready, revelatory study-report reveals HDG AC Bhaktivedanta Swami's mysterious health decline was masterminded as a heinous crime of malicious cadmium poisoning. Several NAA experts are confirming Dr. Morris' cadmium hair test regime and protocols.

With new audio forensic technology, by updating and confirming prior audio forensic results from 1998-2006, new and revisionary findings-discoveries were made, confirming a criminal poisoning. This study unambiguously confirms Srila Prabhupada's premature passing away by linking the lethal heavy metals poisoning found by NAA analysis of hair samples with incriminating audio evidence. A consultants panel is designing the manner and style in which to employ this study-report.

## The forensic report states that it is <u>the unavoidable conclusion that</u> <u>Srila Prabhupada's cause of death is deliberate, homicidal poisoning</u>.

## FORENSIC AUDIO ANALYSIS

Naveen Krishna das engaged one of the most reputed and globally acclaimed private investigation and forensic laboratories, who spent 500+ hours in the most comprehensive audio analysis to date of the Nov. 1977 tape recordings of Srila Prabhupada, his caretakers, and visitors. Four poison whispers and the many sinister secondary whispers were verified. Tamal, Jayapataka, and Bhavananda were identified as speakers of the homicidal poisoning whispers and of secondary whispers.

A summary of these audio forensic findings, which confirm/ expand on previous audio analyses, is as follows:

**\*Tamal** WHISPERS: So, The Poison's Going Down. (Bhavananda: Giggle). The Poison's Going Down.

\*Tamal: Is The/That Poison In The Milk? Bhavananda: Uh-Huh.

\*Tamal: We know he's trying to trap us.

**\*Tamal** WHISPERS: Prabhupada keeps asking. He's not going to stop until he finds out.

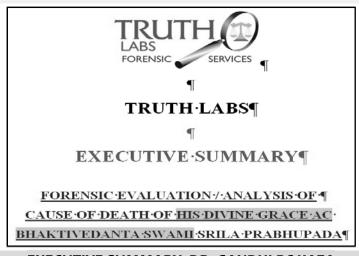
\*WHISPER: [TIME: 07:53-57] It's Said... It's Poison.

\*(Bengali Speaker): Kayek din pare asha (In a few days' time)

Jayapataka: Poisoning For A (Long) Time...

[Srila Prabhupada]: (high, squeaky, weak voice) To me?

Jayapataka: *Get Ready To Go.* Unknown: You're Taking It Right Now. Soft Elder Voice: "How's This? Unknown: Let it go.



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: DR. GANDHI PC KAZA

Truth Labs was assigned the Forensic Audio Analysis of 9 audio clips and transcripts of the conversations between the followers of HDG A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami [Srila Prabhupada (SP)] to ascertain the possible complicity of the caretakers in the mysterious death of SP, based on audio authentication, enhancement, speaker verification and identification process. [...] His death took place under questionable and suspicious circumstances [...] Along with the above request for audio analysis to investigate this case, material evidence in the form of audio files and transcripts of those recordings were forwarded to Truth Labs. [...] Other facts and circumstances relating to the passing away of SP, including the Neutron Activation Analysis (NAA) report of Dr. J. Steven Morris, were also shared with Truth Labs.

Further, more evidence of SP's health conditions and food/Ayurvedic medicine intakes were provided to Truth Labs by the former ISKCON GBC Member, Mr. Naveen Khurana (Naveen Krishna Das) and other associated persons for (a) Audio analysis, (b) Technical evaluation and interpretation of NAA reports and (c) Medico-legal and pharmacological evaluation for correlating with other forensic analytical

reports. A careful forensic study of audio files, evaluation of NAA results and evaluation of health and food/Ayurvedic medication related data indicated that Srila Prabhupada had prior premonition of his deteriorating health and also about him being poisoned. This suspicion was confirmed by Neutron Activation Analysis (NAA) of hair relics which were arranged to be tested by the Governing Body Commission (GBC) of ISKCON.

## FORENSIC EVALUATION/ANALYSIS OF CAUSE OF DEATH OF SP

**Brief background:** Into his 80th year in 1976, Srila Prabhupada was said to be in normal health, alert, agile and active with a few minor issues such as digestive problems and others due to old age. He suddenly became ill with slowly deteriorating health which caused serious concerns in Feb., May and Sept. of '77. While at Vrindaban, in Oct. '77, he was extremely weak and unable to freely move or eat, but still mentally and intellectually alert. He was said to be conscious of his failing health and had an intuition that he was being poisoned, as he was a pharmacist by profession and manufacturer of medicinal drugs and could understand his poisoning symptoms.

*Audio Analysis: (Annexure-A):* (see above audio summary) The forensic voice verification/ speaker identification studies of voice samples of SP and close associates who were present physically around him in his last days, conclusively establish that he was lethally poisoned. This finding is based on the conversations and whispers recorded and kept with Bhaktivedanta Archives [...].

**NAA Analysis:** (Annexure-B): Six of his hair relic samples, regarded by his followers as sacred, were carefully preserved. These samples are identified as, A, D, J, ND-2, Q1 and Q2. Two of the samples ('J' and 'ND-2') belonging to pre-1977, did not have any abnormally high levels of poison. One sample, (Q1), had slightly above normal levels of arsenic. The other samples (A, D, Q2) revealed abnormally high levels of cadmium correlating with Srila Prabhupada's statements in the last days of his life, that he was being poisoned. On Nov. 10th, 1977 he was given milk to drink as per the whispers very shortly prior to this by two caretakers, "Is the poison in the milk?", and "Uh-huh". This provides corroborative evidence between voices and NAA test results showing presence of cadmium and arsenic in his scalp hair. {Included was the 2015 NAA tests report from Dr. Stephen Morris, MURR.

*Medico-Legal Analysis (Annexure-C):* Medico-Legal evaluation of his health conditions as per the data provided when read in conjunction with the results of NAA of hair relics and various background details *confirm beyond doubt that his death was due to unnatural reasons*. *The unavoidable conclusion regarding the cause of death of Srila Prabhupada is deliberate, homicidal poisoning.* The poison was administered for at least ten months. This is clearly a case of chronic poisoning with periodic sub-acute episodes. [...]

Dr. J. Steven Morris of University of Missouri at Columbia tested six of Srila Prabhupada's scalp hair samples preserved as sacred relics for Neutron Activation Analysis (NAA) for the presence of arsenic (As), cadmium (Cd), antimony (Sb), and mercury (Hg) which were tested at different times in 1998, 2002 and 2005. The hair samples collected, 'J' and 'ND-2', were from the period before mid-1976 and the remaining four samples 'A', 'D', 'Q1' and 'Q2' were taken between Nov 1976-Sep 1977. [...] The hair sample did not show evidence of external contamination such as oils, chemicals, etc. The hair samples were very close to the scalp as they were the first half inch, and were least likely to have been externally contaminated. The test results indicated that the cadmium levels were very high [...] The NAA tests show that SP was primarily poisoned with cadmium. [...]

Cadmium salts such as cadmium sulphate, oxide or chloride and Arsenic salts such as Arsenic trioxide are casually available in the Chemistry laboratories of High Schools, Colleges and other several familiar sources. Four scalp hair samples belonged to the period when SP's health was deteriorating, and the remaining hair samples were from the period when his health was normal.

## **Opinion of Truth Labs Medico-Legal Expert Group:**

(1) Tests on Hair samples J and ND-2 show that Srila Prabhupada's hair cadmium levels were normal before mid-1976.

(2) Tests on Hair samples D, A, and Q-2 show that the cadmium poisoning began between July 1976 and February 1977.

(3) Three samples of scalp hair (A, D & Q2) revealed very high levels of cadmium (average 15.73 ppm), and one (Q1) revealed above normal level of arsenic (2.6 ppm). The test results indicate that the cadmium levels were very high and above the normal average limit.

(4) The remaining sample (ND-2) showed normal levels indicating that, consistent with the reported date of those samples, they were cut before poisoning had begun.

Broadly the above test results conclude that: Srila Prabhupada was primarily poisoned with cadmium. Arsenic was the poison initially used for ingestion but was replaced later with cadmium.

Critical Analysis by the Expert Group of Truth Labs of Dr. VV Pillay Comments (Annexure C-1): (List of 14 doubts in Dr. Morris' findings from Dr. VV Pillay, GBC "expert" witness)

The Medico-Legal Expert Group of the Truth-Labs differs with the Opinions/Comments, expressed by Dr. V. V. Pillay [all 14 points by Dr Pillay are refuted and critiqued as erroneous because he is not qualified].

## **OPINION REGARDING THE CAUSE AND MANNER OF DEATH**

After critical scientific analysis of all the details of the case, the Medico-Legal Expert Board of Truth Labs is of the opinion that the cause and manner of death of Srila Prabhupada was the result of a well-planned homicide using chemical substances, mainly Cadmium [...] to avoid arousing any suspicion, as the resultant signs and symptoms mimicked that of chronic illnesses.

Dr. M. Narayana Reddy, M.D. (Forensic Medicine); LL.B. [Medico-legal Consultant and Convener of the Medico-Legal Expert Group of the Truth-Labs & Former Professor & Head of the Department of Forensic Medicine & Toxicology; Osmania Medical College/ Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad, India.]



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November 23, 2015

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Dear Mr. Kuyt:

Pursuant to your August 19, 2015, request I have combined the results from three previous reports on the neutron activation analysis of human hair specimens for arsenic (As), cadmium (Cd), antimony (Sb) and mercury (Hg). The three previous reports from which the concentration data are combined here are:

November 11, 2002: J.S. Morris to Nico Kuyt July 21, 2005: J.S. Morris to Nico Kuyt July 25, 2005: J.S. Morris to Nico Kuyt

All element concentrations are reported as micrograms of the element per grams of hair  $(\mu g/g)$ , which is equivalent to parts per million (PPM), the concentration unit used in the data table below. The error in the element concentration reported has been estimated from consideration of the sample mass measurement and the counting statistical error. These error estimates are expressed as 95% confidence intervals and are given in [].

Sample ID	Mass (g)	Analysis start date	As (PPM) [95% CI]	Cd (PPM) [95% CI]	Sb (PPM) [95% CI]	Hg (PPM) [95% CI]
"D"	0.00072	March 4, 2002	0.640 [0.064]	19.9 [2.0]	0.661 [0.066]	3.72 [0.56]
"A"	0.00064	April 15, 2002	0.200 [0.020]	12.4 [1.2]	0.186 [0.019]	5.16 [0.77]
"J" (77-3)	0.00085	May 15, 2002	0.082 [0.021]	. <2.3	0.080 [0.020]	1.62 [0.41]
"ND-2"	0.00310	June 11, 2002	0.141 [0.021]	0.206 [0.052]	0.013 [0.007]	1.85 [0.46]
"M"	0.00077	November 6, 2002	0.357 [0.036]	<1.45 [0.22]	0.100 [0.010]	5.37 [0.81]
Q-2*	0.00012	July 19, 2005	0.85 [0.49]	14.9 [3.8]	not measured	

Sample Q-2 was recovered from electric hair clippers and included a few clippings approximately 2 mm in length with a combined mass of 0.00012 grams.

J. Steven Morris, Ph.D.

Sr. Research Scientist

# CHAPTER 32: SHARP SWORD FILMS, BOOKS, CONCLUSIONS

#### Video One: "Kill Guru, Become Guru: The Forensic Breakthrough"

<u>https://youtu.be/PIBqNBMbPvY</u> May 4, 2017 a 54 min. film on the history of the private investigation into Srila Prabhupada's poisoning and how the scientific forensic breakthrough into proving Srila Prabhupada's poisoning was accomplished by discovery of sky-high levels of cadmium in 3 authentic Srila Prabhupada hair samples. The message was that SP's poisoning had now been definitely proven with hard scientific proof.

## Video Two: "Poisoning Objections Answered"

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gOLeHjRhZMc</u> On June 27, 2017 PTC released a second film of 41 minutes. A review and more in depth look of the evidence was undertaken and 20 common objections to Srila Prabhupada's poisoning were answered or refuted. It was necessary to deal with emotional and illogical objections such as: Srila Prabhupada could not have been poisoned because no one saw it happen. Emphasis was placed on the scientific proof of cadmium poisoning.

### Video Three: "Crime Of The Millennium: Poisoning Prabhupada"

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMuUqqZDqTQ</u> A third film was released by PTC of 31 minutes on Aug. 28, 2017. This film reviewed further evidence in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning, and demanded that the ISKCON leadership publicly accept the scientific proof of the crime of the millennium. It called upon devotees elect new leaders who could respond to the ramifications of the truth about Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. It also called upon devotees to take a public stand on the issue and to restore Srila Prabhupada's mission and mercy by going back to "Square One," as though it were the day after Srila Prabhupada's departure.

#### Video Four: In Pursuit Of Prabhupada's Poisoners

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6unXi7jzSiI</u> This film (25 min) came out Oct. 5, 2017. This film focused on the suspects and the evidence implicating them, and is the most watched film, with interest in the evidence implicating the prime suspects in Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

#### Video Five: "Reward On Prabhupada's Poisoners"

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GZg\_rNP6HiY</u> A short film was released Oct. 13, 2017. It offered a US\$50,000 cash reward for information leading to the felony conviction of anyone for poisoning Srila Prabhupada.

## Video Six: "We Could Have Done That (Poison Prabhupada)"

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XoRz1ENORFg</u> This 24 min. film came out July 25, 2018. This film focused on Tamal's mercy killing *BTG* interview where he claims Srila Prabhupada wanted an assisted suicide, undoubtedly his defense for poisoning Srila Prabhupada.

# WEBSITE AND BOOKS ON THE POISON EVIDENCE

(1) WEBSITE: <u>http://killgurubecomeguru.org</u>

(2) Private distribution only: Srila Prabhupada's Hidden Glories: His Inconceivable Tolerance and Mercy (2022, hardcover 2 book set, 880 pg each, ask for free PDF by email); Book One: His Inconceivable mercy and Tolerance, Book Two: Inevitable Restoration of His Divine Mission (contact: srigovinda@gmail.com)

(3) *TKG's Diary* (1998, by Tamal, his doctored version of events as his own efforts at a cover-up of the poison evidence) 350 pgs

(4) Someone Has Poisoned Me (1999, out of print) 400 pgs Book

(5) Not That I Am Poisoned (2000, GBC book of denials, cover-up)

(6) *Judge For Yourself* (out of print) book) 300 pgs Book with CD of the poison whispers and more

(7) *Kill Guru, Become Guru* (2017, see website above) 800 pgs, EBook
(8) *Deception: Poison Conspiracy Fraud* (2020, *from GBC's agent*).

**BOOKS ON AMAZON:** (7) This Personal Ambition series of 12 volumes. Vol. 1: Srila Prabhupada: Triumphant Departure- Complete Book of Poisoning Evidence: https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0BBPPFMFV

**Vol. 2:** Anti-Prabhupada: Deviant Impact of Tamal Krishna Goswami <u>https://www.amazon.com/dp/0923519149</u>

Vol. 3: Pursuit of Srila Prabhupada's Poisoners- The Suspects https://www.amazon.com/dp/0923519181

**Vol. 4:** Srila Prabhupada's Mysterious Health Decline 1976-77 https://www.amazon.com/dp/0923519203

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# A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE KEY "POISON ISSUE" HISTORY

(1) Up to July 1976 Srila Prabhupada had very good health.

(2) Then Srila Prabhupada's health declined relentlessly and no doctor could

tell why. (3) Immediately upon his departure, 11 leading disciples hijacked ISKCON as zonal acharyas. (4) For 10 years these gurus and ISKCON's managing body (GBC) caused havoc and huge damage.

(5) In 1987 the GBC admitted there was no appointment of new gurus- it was a hoax. (6) In 1997 caretaker whisperings of poisoning were found on a bedside audio recording of Srila Prabhupada's last days.

(7) Attention focused on discussions between Srila Prabhupada and his caretakers, about him being homicidally poisoned. (8) Srila Prabhupada said someone had poisoned him. (9) ISKCON's GBC appointed Balavanta as a special investigator; after 30 months his findings were inconclusive.

(10) Balavanta arranged a NAA hair test, finding elevated, health-adverse but non-lethal arsenic levels. (11) The "poison whispers" were forensically tested by many top audio labs, confirmed to be about poisoning.

(12) GBC denied there had been a poisoning and the suspects organized a sham GBC book of denials. (13) *Someone Has Poisoned Me (2000)* and *Judge For Yourself (2003)* honestly presented the poison evidence.

(14) These books were condemned by the GBC and they banned discussion of the topic in ISKCON. (15) In 2002-05 hair samples arranged by the GBC were tested and found to have lethal cadmium levels.

(16) In 2017 *Kill Guru, Become Guru* was posted online with updated evidence of Srila Prabhupada's poisoning.

(17) In 2020 a GBC loyalist published *Deception*- full of deceit meant to discredit the poison evidence. (18) 2022: a hardcover two book set was released as a reference library on the poison issue, the gurujacking of the divine mission, etc, titled *Srila Prabhupada's Hidden Glories*.

(19) 2022: Srila Prabhupada- Triumphant Departure released on Amazon.

(20) 2023: This shorter summary released as *Kill Guru Become Guru*.

For devotees who have faith in Srila Prabhupada's words, his statements about being poisoned are solid proof that he was given poison with homicidal intent. For others, the levels of heavy metals in Srila Prabhupada's hair is scientific and final proof of his being poisoned with homicidal intent. Add it all up: the heavy metals in the hair, the medical symptoms unique to cadmium/arsenic poisoning, the witnesses and testimonials, the forensically certified poison whispers, the discussions about malicious poisoning, Srila Prabhupada's complaints of being poisoned, the motives of the suspects, the institutional cover-ups and non-cooperation, Tamal's bizarre mercy-killing interview, the four kavirajas concluded poisoning, and more evidence – there can be no further doubt: Srila Prabhupada was poisoned with intent to murder.

The Founder Acharya of ISKCON, His Divine Grace AC Bhaktivedanta Swami Srila Prabhupada, was homicidally poisoned by

heavy metals in 1977, involving a clique of ambitious disciples who took his seat and assets by falsely assuming the posts of "enlightened" guruacharyas. In the last 45 years these poisoners and heirs reaped the spoils of the "crime of the millennium" with vast wealth, power, fawning disciples, and prestige. ISKCON corruption must be rectified.

## ISKCON GBC WILL NOT BE EXCUSED

A possible outcome of the growing, widespread acceptance that Srila Prabhupada was maliciously poisoned in 1977 by his own caretakers is that ISKCON's GBC will be compelled to concede that, yes, this may have happened. But then they will say: (1) this crime did not involve present-day institutional leaders, since it was done 50 years ago, maybe by Tamal and Bhakticharu, who are now dead, (2) by denying the evidence, the GBC was only trying to protect the movement, and now that the poisoning evidence seems conclusive, it can be accepted, (3) however, everything should continue in ISKCON unchanged, (4) meanwhile, they will stall until Bhavananda, Jayapataka, others pass away, since remaining suspects are now very old and frail.

We must be prepared for this further deceit by the GBC. Srila Prabhupada's poisoners hijacked the institution and introduced poisonous doctrines and deviant siddhanta, causing horrible spiritual pain and chaos for countless devotees. They poisoned Srila Prabhupada's books, his instructions, his movement, and the minds of innocent devotees. They perpetuated devotee and child abuse either themselves or by allowing such in a club of abusers. They have turned countless millions away from Srila Prabhupada to themselves as false gurus, and when they are exposed as fallen, then Srila Prabhupada is given out as a consolation prize, as the "grandfather." The present GBC-guru elite has inherited their positions due to Srila Prabhupada's poisoning. They cannot keep their ill-gotten, illegal positions, any more than accomplices of a bank robber can keep the bank's stolen money.

The GBC has proven itself to be incapable of protecting Srila Prabhupada's legacy and mission, and their legitimacy is zero. The dictates of illegitimate leaders are illegitimate. All they have done with ISKCON is also illegitimate and must be scrapped. We must return to the situation on Nov. 14, 1977, and, without interference from the personally ambitious, hopelessly corrupted GBC, carefully ascertain how to go forward according to the will and instructions of Srila Prabhupada. The poisoners' heirs, as aiders and abettors during and after the crime must be removed permanently. The corrupt regime cannot pass the blame for ISKCON's poisoned condition to anyone else.

#### **RESTORE THE MISSION**

"The acharya, the authorized representative of the Supreme Lord, establishes these principles, but when he disappears, things once again become disordered. The perfect disciples of the acharya try to relieve the situation by sincerely following the instructions of the spiritual master." SBhag 4.28.48 Purport

Srila Prabhupada's divine mission was hijacked by ambitious disciples who deviated from the Founder-Acharya's instructions and proceeded to inject deviant doctrines into the ISKCON institution. Srila Prabhupada entrusted the Hare Krishna Movement to the hands of his faithful followers, and humanity with its billions of lost souls depend on them to rectify this transcendental movement. Now is the time for reform. Let the voice of truth roar. Expose the corruption. Be full of hope and courage, because the truth always prevails. Srila Prabhupada's faithful followers need to confront the criminal enterprise of the ISKCON guru regime. It is a racket, a plundering of the true Acharya's assets and mission. We must expose them to the devotee world. Undo the indoctrinations in the minds of the innocent, exploited Krishna bhaktas, in a campaign of spiritual awakening. Never allow despair or fear to prevail. The truth sets us free. May the darkness spread by the "sinister movement" be exposed by the light of truth, and Srila Prabhupada's divine mission be restored as he gave it to us.

# All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada!

