A Note on vinaya*

The word vinava is well known in Buddhist circle as the "norm of conduct" in general and as a name of the Tripitakas in particular. The word is originally a verbal action noun (nomina actionis) formulated out of the verbal root vi-nī- which means "drive out", or "remove". Thus, the original meaning of the word vinaya is the act of driving out or removal. This meaning is preserved in Pali, as is seen in such compounds as pipāsa-vinaya (removal, or quenching of thirst), 1 kodhavinaya (removal, or repression of anger), etc. Apparently, its application to the disciplinary meaning in the Vinaya texts is a later development through the "removal" of immoral thought and evil actions. Yet, on the other hand, in Classical Sanskrit literature the meaning of "removal" is also developed in another direction and appears in an erotic context, which is hardly compatible with the moral and disciplinary one. Under such circumstances, it might be interesting to investigate how far its semantic field is extended in Pali as well as in Sanskrit, and to locate the Buddhist meaning within it.

However, according to the nature of the material which the present writer has been able to collect so far, it is convenient to deal with the problem in two sections. In the first section, we shall examine its wide range of usage, extending from erotics to ethics in Sanskrit as well as in Pali, and in the second, we shall discuss the meaning peculiar to Sanskrit.

It is out of great respect for the scholarship of Mr K.R. Norman that the present writer takes up the word *vinaya* and dedicates it to his Festschrift.²

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¹A II 34,25, Ja III 290,26. Cf. also *pipāsā-vinayana* in Mil 318,25–27.

²In fact, the present writer was inspired by an article by Mr Norman (1993).

1. vinaya in Pāli and Sanskrit

For clarity's sake, let us start with its usage in the erotic context.

1.1. Removal of a Garment (in an erotic context)

In sharp contrast to its moral meaning of "the rule of conduct", the word appears in an erotic context. Two examples suffice to illustrate the situation.

uttarīya-vinayāt trapamāṇā rundhatī kila tad-īkṣaṇa-mārgam āvarista vikatena vivodhur vaksasaiva kuca-mandalam anyā.

Śiśupālavadha 10.42

Another woman, ashamed of the removal of her upper garment (*uttarīya-vinaya*) [by the hand of her husband, with the intention of] obstructing the line of his sight, covered her plump breasts by means of the broad chest of her husband.³

It is because of shyness to disclose her breasts that a woman wishes to have the tight embrace of her husband.

A similar use is also seen in its verbal usage (vinayat-).

ambaram vinayatah priya-pāner yoşitaś ca karayoh kalahasya vāranām iva vidhātum abhīkṣṇam kakṣyayā ca valayaiś ca śiśiñje.

Śiśupālavadha 7.57

Girdle and bracelets twanged incessantly to ward off, so to speak, a quarrel between the beloved's hand [which tries to] remove her garment.

It is remarkable that the word *vinaya* is used in the sense of the removal of a garment (*uttarīya-*, *ambara-*) of a woman in love-making by the hand of her lover.⁴

³kucāmśukākarṣana: (Mallinātha) "slipping off of garment covering her breasts".

⁴Another example is taken from a romantic context, though not so erotic. Here the etymological meaning of "removal" (vi- and $n\bar{\imath}$ -) can be observed.

vinayati sudrso drsaḥ parāgaṃ praṇayini kausumam ānanānilena tad ahita-yuvater abhīkṣṇam akṣṇor dvayam api roṣa-rajobhir āpupūre. Śiśupālavadha 7.57

1.2. Removal of physical difficulties

As we have the Pali compound *pipāsa-vinaya* in A II 34,25 or *pipāsā-vinayana* in Mil 318,25-27, so we have *tṛṣṇā-vinayana* in MBh.

I.2.I. *tṛṣṇā*- (thirst)

Regretting what he has done, the old king Dhrtarāṣṭra says as follows:

caturthe niyate kāle kadācid api cāṣṭame tṛṣṇā-vinayanaṃ bhuñje gāndhārī veda tan mama.

MBh.15.5.10

Now at the fixed time, that is, at the fourth division of the day or sometimes at the eighth division, I take a little for quenching my thirst (tṛṣṇā-vinayana). [My wife] Gāndhārī knows this.

1.2.2. adhva-śrama (fatigue)

āsīnānām surabhita-silam nābhi-gandhair mṛgāṇām tasyā eva prabhavam acalam prāpya gauram tuṣāraiḥ vakṣyasy adhva-śrama-vinayane tasya śṛṅge niṣaṇṇaḥ śobhām śubhra-trinayana-vṛṣotkhāta-paṅkopameyām.

Meghadūta 52

When thou hast come to the source of that river, the mountain white with hoar-frost, where seated deer perfume the rocks with must, settle on its peak to relieve the weariness of thy journey (śrama-vinayana), and thou shalt assume beauty that matches clay cast up on himself by Shiva's lustrous bull.

Tr. Edgerton

1.2.3. kapola-kandu (the itch of the temple [of an elephant]) In describing the Mt. Himalaya, it is said,

kapola-kaṇḍūḥ karibhir vinetuṃ vighaṭṭitānāṃ sarala-drumāṇām

While a lover was removing (*vinayati* = *apanayati* (Mallinātha)) the pollen of a flower from the eye of the charming-eyed one by means of his mouthbreath, both eyes of her rival-lady were immediately filled with the dusts (passion: *rajas*) of [jealous] anger.

yatra sruta-kṣīratayā prasūtaḥ sānūni gandhaḥ surabhī-karoti.

Kumārasambhava 1.9

Where the perfume arising from the milk-emitting nature of the pine trees, rubbed by elephants for allaying (*vinetum*) the itch of [their] temples, renders the summits fragrant.

1.3. Removal of mental difficulties

As we have the compound *parissaya-vinaya* (dispelling dangers) in Sn 92, the phrase *kaṅkhaṃ vinaya no ise* (remove our doubt, O great one) in M II 143,12⁵ and its verbal form *hadaya-pariṭāhaṃ vinaya* in Mil 318,4, the word is also construed with mental difficulty in Hindu texts.

1.3.1. duhkha (grief)

Seeing the increasing number of creatures and intending to lighten the burden of the earth, Prajāpati created a girl *mrtyu* (death) and asked her to kill the creatures. She was frightened and entreated him to relinquish his design.

vinīya duḥkham abalā sā tv atīvāyatekṣaṇā uvāca prāñjalir bhūtvā latevāvarjitā tadā.

MBh.12.250.1

Having driven off her grief, the large-eyed woman said with joined hands and bending [her body] like a creeper ... ⁶

1.3.2. *bhaya* (fear)

Toward the end of the great war Yudhisthira addressed Duryodhana, who hid himself in a pond, as follows,

sa tvam uttistha yudhyasva vinīya bhayam ātmanaḥ

MBh.12.219.6

ramasva rājan piba cādya vāruņīm kuruṣva kṛtyāni vinīya duḥkham mayādya rāme gamite yama-kṣayam cirāya sītā vaśagā bhaviṣyati.

R.6.63.56 Bombay

⁵Cf. Sn 58, 559, 1025, Ja V 501,12, VI 375,20 and VI 222,15, 19, 21.

vinīya khalu tad duḥkham āgam vaimanasya-jam dhyātavyam manasā hṛdyam kalyānam samvijānatā.

ghātayitvā sarva-sainyam bhrātīms caiva suyodhana (27) nedānīm jīvite buddhiḥ kāryā dharma-cikīrṣayā.

MBh.9.30.28ab

Arise and fight, casting off fear for yourself! Having caused all your troops and brothers to be slain, O Suyodhana, now you should not think of [saving your] life, if you wish to do justice!

1.3.3. jvara (affliction)

Kumbhakarna encouraged his brother Rāvaņa in distress, saying,

ramasva kāmam piba cāgrya-vāruņīm kuruṣva kr̥tyāni vinīyatām jvaraḥ mayādya rāme gamite yama-kṣayaṃ cirāya sītā vaśagā bhaviṣyati.

R.6.51.47

Make love, drink wine, do what you have to do and banish affliction!

Today, when I send Rāma to the abode of death, Sītā will become yours for ever.

1.3.4. āyāsa (distress)

When Bharata was summoned to Ayodhyā by Kaikeyī, he saw a terrible dream and was greatly distressed.

tapyamānam samājñāya vayasyāh priya-vādinah āyāsam hi vinesyantah sabhāyām cakrire kathāh.

R.2.63.3

Observing how troubled he was, his affable companions tried to ease his distress by engaging him in conversation in the assembly hall.

Tr. Pollock

1.3.5. hṛdaya-granthi (knot in the heart)

As we have *hadaya-pariļāhaṃ vinaya* (remove my heart-burning pain) in Mil 318,4, so we have the expression *granthiṃ vinīya hṛdayasya*. The sage Ātreya in the disguise of a *haṃsa* bird encouraged the Sādhyas as follows:

etat kāryam amarāḥ saṃśrutaṃ me dhṛtih śamah satya-dharmānuvṛttih granthim vinīya hṛdayasya sarvam priyāpriye cātma-vaśam nayīta.

MBh.5.36.4

I have learnt, Immortals, that this is one's task; to be steady and serene and to pursue truth and Law; having undone all the knots of the heart, one should bring both the pleasant and the unpleasant under control.

Tr. van Buitenen

1.3.6. asūya (jealousy)

Furthermore, its verbal form takes $as\bar{u}ya$ in the accusative case. Despite the request of Dhrtarastra, Samjaya refused to speak in secret and promised to speak out only in the presence of Vyāsa and Gāndhārī.

> tau te asūyām vinayetām narendra dharmajñau tau nipuṇau niścayajñau tayos tu tvām samnidhau tad vadeyam kṛtsnam matam vāsudevārjunābhyām.

> > MBh.5.65.7

For both of them, clever, knowing justice and resolute, can dispel any ill-feeling you might cherish [against me]. In their presence I shall tell you all that Kṛṣṇa and Arjuna have in their mind.

1.4. Removal of yuddha-śraddhā⁷

In the epic battle scene, we often meet warriors' determination to mar the warlike spirit ($yuddha-śraddh\bar{a}$)⁸ of their adversary. It is natural in these contexts for vi-nī- to appear in the future tense, either in the simple form or in the periphrastic one.

> tistha tistha na me jīvan drona-putra gamisyati yuddha-śraddhām aham te 'dya vineṣyāmi raṇājire.

> > MBh.7.131.62

⁷Cf. Hara 1992.

⁸The literary meaning would be "the conviction (śraddhā) [of victory] in battle".

Wait, wait, O son of Droṇa, you shall not go [escaping] from me with your life. 9 I shall today dispel your eagerness for fighting.

1.5. darpa (arrogance)

In a similar context of battle we also meet darpa.

anuktvā samare tāta śūrā yudhyanti śaktitaḥ sa yudhyasva mayā śaktyā vinesye darpam adya te.

MBh.8.17.54

Heroic men fight their utmost in the battlefield without saying anything. Thus, fight with me to the utmost. Today, I shall destroy your arrogance. 10

1.6. Removal of vices (= restraint or control)

The removal of jealousy $(as\bar{u}ya)$ and arrogance (darpa) leads us to that of vices in general. It is from this "removal of vices" onward that the word vinaya is imbued with the tinge of moral and disciplinary meaning.

Cf. also,

ekaikasah samarthāh smo vijetum sarva-pārthivān āgacchantu vineṣyāmi darpam eṣām śitaiḥ śaraiḥ.

MBh.5.54.19

eşo yotsyāmi vaḥ sarvān nivārya śara-vāgurām tiṣṭhadhvaṃ yuddha-manaso darpaṃ vinayitāsmi vaḥ.

MBh.14.77.5

śīghram eva hi rākṣasyo vikṛtā ghora-darśanāḥ darpam asya hi vineṣyantu māṃsa-śoṇita-bhojanāḥ.

R.3.54.24

The contrast between *darpa* and *vinaya* is also discerned in the following passages:

tad yuddham abhavad ghoram deva-dānava-saṃkulam kṣamā-parākrama-mayam darpasya vinayasya ca.

H.37.21

tat surāsura-saṃyuktaṃ yuddham atyadbhutaṃ babhau dharmādharma-samāyuktaṃ darpeṇa vinayena ca.

H.35.3

⁹Hara 1996.

¹⁰v.l. hanisye, vinasyed for vinesye.

1.6.1. In Pali text, the word vinaya is compounded with various kinds of vice, such as

(the sense of ego) (Vin, I 3,30), asmi-māna icchā (desire) (D III 252,19-20, A IV 15,12-13, V 165,7-8), (anger) (A I 91,20, A V165,12-13, S II 282,20), kodha upanāha (grudge) (A I 91,20),

(greed) (Sn 152, 1098), gedha

makkha (hypocrisy) (A V 165,17-18, S II 282,20),

māna (pride) (S II 282,20), sātheyyā (treachery) (A V 165,22-23), māyā (fraud) (A V 165,26-28),

chanda-rāga (exciting desire) (S IV 7,9, 13-14, 19)

rāga (lust) (S V 137,25, 241,24), dosa(hatred) (S V 37,25, 241,24), moha (delusion) (S V 137,26, 241,24) bhakuți (superciliousness) (Sn 485).

Yet, the commonest construction of vinaya with vices is summarized in that of akusala dhamma in the plural, where these three (*rāga*, *dosa*, *moha*) are also included. For example:

> aham hi Sīha vinayāya dhammam desemi rāgassa dosassa mohassa aneka-vihitānam pāpakānam akusalānam dhammānam vinayāya dhammam desemi.

Vin I 235,26–28
$$\neq$$
 III 3,9–11 = A IV175,7–9

O Sīha, I am teaching this dhamma in order to remove lust, hatred and delusion. [That is to say,] I am teaching this dhamma in order to remove evil and unfit qualities of various sorts.¹¹

1.6.2. However, in classical Sanskrit literature, these vices are mostly preceded by vinīta- as is seen in such compounds as vinīta-rāga (MBh.12.172.37), vinīta-moha (MBh.12.237.35), vinīta-krodha-harṣa (MBh.5.88.6), vinīta-roṣa-tṛṣṇā (MBh.12.172.36), vinīta-kilbiṣa (MBh.5.193.29). Of these, the commonest one is vinītātman.

¹¹For samukhā-vinaya, sati-vinaya, amūļha-vinaya, cf. D III 254,12.

tam sa-dāro vinitātmā sugrīvah plavagādhipah pūjayā pratijagrāha prīyamāṇas tad arhayā.

MBh.3.266.13

With his wife, the courteous (*vinītātman*) king of apes, Sugrīva, kindly received him with the honor due to him.

Tr. van Buitenen

1.7. Training

From the "removal" of vices, it is an easy transition of meaning to that of shortcomings in general, that is "training". Yet, this "training" is exercised not only to human beings, but also to animals.

1.7.1. Taming of wild animals

In praise of Rāma we read,

ārohe vinaye caiva yukto vāraņa-vājinām dhanurveda-vidāṃ śreṣṭho loke 'tiratha-saṃmataḥ.

R.2.1.23

He was proficient in riding ($\bar{a}roha$) and the training (vinaya) of horses and elephants, and was regarded as the best expert among masters of martial arts. ¹²

 $tapas vi-saṃs arga-vin \bar{\imath} ta-satt ve\ tapo-vane\ v\bar{\imath} ta-bhay\bar{a}\ vas\bar{a}smin.$

Raghuvaṃśa 14.75ab

For vinīta-mṛga, cf.

agastyasyāśramaḥ śrīmān vinīta-mṛga-sevitaḥ.

R.3.10.84

For elephants, cf.

vinaya-vidhāyini bhagne 'pi cāṅkuśe vidyata eva vyāla-vāraṇasya vinayāya sakala-matta-mātaṅga-kumbha-sthala-sthira-śirobhāga-bhiduraḥ kharataraḥ kesari-nakharaḥ.

Harşacarita 188.14-6

prabhinnāś ca mahānāgā vinītā hasti-sādibhiḥ parasparam samāsādya samnipetus abhītavat.

MBh.6.91.26

ye tv ete sumahā-nāgā añjanasya kulodbhavāḥ idhodaka-pradātāraṃ śūnya-pālakam āśrame

¹²For *vinīta-sattva*, cf.

1.7.2. Training of youths

The "taming of animals" is akin to "the training" of children. Human beings in the prime of their youth should be trained and cultivated. Hence its construction with śaiśava, yauvana, etc.

1.7.2.1. *śaiśava*

The sage Divākaramitra praises the inborn courtesy of Harṣa as follows:

asya tv īdṛśe śaiśave vinayasyopādhyāyam dhyāyann api na saṃbhāvayāmi bhuvi.

Harșacarita 239.25-26

In my pondering, I cannot imagine any instructor in decorum on the earth (*vinayasyopādhyāya*) in his childhood.

1.7.2.2. *śiśutva*

Mischief (*a-vinaya*) is natural to childhood. Hence its construction with *śiśutva* and *bāla-bhāva*.

janaka iva śiśutve supriyasyaika-sūnor

vinītam ācārya-kule suyuktaṃ guru-karmaṇi.	
	MBh.13.105.9
For horses, cf.	
aśvānāṃ prakŗtiṃ vedmi vinayaṃ cāpi sarvaśaḥ	
duṣṭānāṃ pratipattiṃ ca kṛtsnaṃ caiva cikitsitam.	
	MBh.4.11.7
vinayantam javenāśvān mahārājasya paśyatah.	
J . J . J	MBh.4.18.32
karkāśāś ca vinītāś ca prabhinna-karatāmukhāh.	. 3
	MBh.7.87.33
For bulls, cf.	1.1211.7107.33
tasmai pradeyam prāyacchat prīto rājā dhanam bahu	
vinītān vṛṣabhān dṛṣtvā sahadevasya cābhibho.	
vintan vį šabian aį šiva sanadevasya cabilbilo.	MBh.4.12.31
tathānadvāham knāhmanānātha dhumam	MDII.4.12.31
tathānaḍvāhaṃ brāhmaṇāyātha dhuryaṃ	
dattvā yuvānaṃ balinaṃ vinītam	
halasya vodhāram ananta-vīryam	
prāpnoti lokān daśadhenudasya.	
	MBh.13.72.43

avinayam api sehe pāṇḍavasya smarāriḥ.

Kirātārjunīya 17.64cd

Siva put up with Arjuna's indecorum (*avinaya*), as a father puts up with his loving single son in his childhood. ¹³

1.7.2.3. yauvana

Youth and decorum are often incompatible. In the praise of Mādhavagupta we read,

paraspara-viruddhayor vinaya-yauvanayoś cirāt prathamasamgama-cihnam iva bhrū-samgatakena kathayantam ...

Harsacarita 139.20

His meeting brows seemed to suggest the reconciliation after a long time of those irreconcilables, youth and decorum ...

1.7.2.4. abhinava-yauvana

avinaya-bahulatayā cābhinava-yauvanasya ...

Kādambarī 270.5

Since the prime of youth (abhinava-yauvana) is full of ill-behaviour or mischief (avinaya) ...

1.8. Education

Cultivation of youths is nothing but "education". As we have *abhi-dhamme vinesi* ("taught in the Abhidhamma") in Mil 12,19, 13,19–20, the word has the meaning of education.

1.8.1. Martial arts

pūrvam ahar-bhāgam hasty-aśva-ratha-praharana-vidyāsu

Kādambarī 578.9

avinaya-niścetano nakha-pratibimbitam ātmānam bahu manyate.

Kādambarī 410.7

As for *bāla-bhāva*, see H.2.51.1-2 and 4 (Bombay) which is paraphrased by *putra-durnaya* in H.2.51.3. Cf. also Harṣacarita 78.11 where an elephant-charmer gives instruction to a youth while scolding a young elephant "give up fickleness (*lolatā*) and practise courtesy (*vinaya-vrata*)".

 $kari\text{-}kalabha\ vimu\~nca\ lolat\=am\ cara\ vinaya\text{-}vratam\ \=anat\=anana\^h.}$

Harşacarita 78.11

sa evaisa punaḥ svayaṃkṛtenāvinayena ...

vinayam gacchet.

KAS.1.5.12

During the first part of the day, he (the prince) should undergo training in the arts of [using] elephants, horses, chariots and weapons.

Tr. Kangle¹⁴

1.8.2. Arts (*kalā*)

In enumerating the education of the courtesans, we read,

nrtya-gīta-vādiya-nātya-citrāsvādya-gandha-puṣpakalāsu lipijñāna-vacas-kauśalādiṣu ca saṃyag-vinayanam.

Daśakumāracarita 81.2-3

Proper training in dancing, singing, musical instruments, theatre, painting, cooking, perfume, flower-arrangement \dots^{15}

1.9. Courtesy and Decorum

As the result of training and education, a youth learns how to behave, and becomes modest and courteous. The meaning of "moral decipline" is now well-established in Hinduism. The Nītivākyāmrta defines it as follows:

vrata-vidyā-vayo 'dhikeşu nīcair ācaraṇaṃ vinayam (6)

viśeṣārthī tato bhīṣmaḥ pautrāṇāṃ vinayepsayā iṣv-astra-jñān paryaprcchad ācāryān vīrya-saṃmatān (1) nālpa-dhīr nāmahāabhāgas tathā-nānāstra-kovidaḥ nādeva-sattvo vinayet kurūn astre mahā-balān.

MBh.1.121.2

gadāsi-carma-grahaņeşu śūrān astreșu śikṣāsu rathāśva-yāne saṃyag vinetā vinayaty atandrīs tāṃś cābhimanyuḥ satataṃ kumārah

MBh.3.180.28

¹⁵Cf.

sā rājā-haṃsair iva saṃnatāṅgī gateṣu līlāñcita-vikrameṣu vyanīyata pratyupadeśa-lubdhair āditsubhir nūpura-siñjitāni.

Kumāra-saṃbhava 1.34

¹⁴Cf. KAS.9.2.24 (*praharaṇa-vidyā-vinītaṃ tu kṣatriya-balaṃ śreyaḥ*). Cf. also MBh.6.15.41 (*sarvāstra-vinayopeta*) and MBh.1.181.15 (*śastrāstra-vinaya*). Furthermore,

puṇyāvāptiḥ śāstra-rahasya-parijñānaṃ sat-puruṣābhigamyaṃ ca vinaya-phalam

Nītivākyāmṛta 11.7

Vinaya is to behave humbly toward those who are advanced in religious observance (vrata), knowledge ($vidy\bar{a}$)¹⁶ and age (vayas).¹⁷

The fruits thereof are the attainment of religious merit, insight into the secrets of scriptures and association with good people.¹⁸

But in Hindu political literature, this quality is particularly desirable for the education of the young prince.¹⁹

tebhyoʻdhigacched vinayam vinītātmāpi nityaśaḥ vinītātmā hi nṛpatir na vinaśyati karhi cit.

MS.7.39

Let him, though he may already be modest (*vinītātman*), constantly learn modesty (*vinaya*) from them (the elders); for a king who is modest never perishes.

Tr. Bühler²⁰

In describing Rāma and his brothers, it is said,

svābhāvikam vinītatvam teṣām vinaya-karmaṇā mumūrcha sahajam tejo haviseva havir-bhujām.

Raghuvamśa 10.79

Their inborn courtesy²¹ became stabilized²² by education,²³ as

 $^{^{16}\}mathrm{Cf.\ KAS.i.5.ii}:$ nityaś ca vidyā-vṛddha-saṃyogo vinaya-vṛddhy-artham, tanmūlatvād vinayasys.

¹⁷Though the first chapter of KAS is called *vinayādhikārika* "the topic of training" (Kangle), "von Sachen der Erziehung und des Wohlverhaltens" (Meyer), there is no definition of the word *vinaya* as such.

¹⁸Cf. Kane 51–52 and Botto 82–83.

¹⁹For king and *vinaya*, cf. Kane III 51–53.

²⁰For its opposite avinītas ca duṣṭātmā, cf. MBh.4.20.25.

²¹The youth of a noble-family is courteous by birth. Hence the expressions *svābhāvika vinītatva* here, and *svabhāva-vinīta* in R.2.17.13 and *vinaya sahaja* in Uttararāmacarita 4.22.

²²Cf. Hara 2000C.

²³For the inborn courtesy and later education, cf. kṛtaka and svābhāvika in

the innate splendour of fire becomes strengthened by clarified butter. 24

1.10. a-vinaya (insolence, mischief)

In the story of retribution we meet often the word *avinaya*. Uglylooking Kabandha tells Lakṣmaṇa the story of his previous life.

virūpaṃ yac ca me rūpaṃ prāptaṃ hy avinayād yathā tan me śṛṇu naravyāghra tattvataḥ śaṃsatas tava.

R.3.66.15

Listen, tiger among men, truly I shall tell you why my form was deformed through an act of insolence.

Also in Kādambarī we read,

tad yaḥ sa kāmopahata-cetāḥ svayaṃ-kṛtād evāvinayād divyalokataḥ paribhraśyan martya-loke vaiśampāyana-nāmā śukanāsa-sūnur abhavat.

Kādambarī 578.8-9

Stupefied by love, he fell from heaven to the mortal world because of his own mischief, and was born as the son of Śukanāsa with the name of Vaiśaṃpāyana.²⁵

1.11. In the above, we have surveyed step by step the various aspects of *vinaya*, whose original meaning is "removal". The original meaning is apparently characterized by the "disjunctive" function of the prefix *vi*-, and the usual meanings of "modesty" and "moral discipline" are later developed in the course of its association with vices in general. Next we shall proceed to its special meaning in Sanskrit literature.

KAS.1.5.3-5.

²⁴For other expressions "modest" and "courteous", cf. *vinayānvita* (MBh. 13.76.1), *vinayopeta* (MBh.12.285.38, 14.35.18) and *vinaya-saṃpanna* (MBh.1.106.14, 2.5.29, 6.27.17). For *vinīta-veṣa* (soberly dressed), cf. MS.8.2.

²⁵For the adjectives *avinīta* (*-putra*), cf. MBh.5.133.9, KAS.1.17.51 and for *durvinīta*, cf. R.3.18.9, 7.53.18, 7.30.34.

2. Its particular use in Sanskrit

2.1. *vi-naya* in the sense of the absence of *naya*.

Beside its disjunctive function, the prefix *vi*- indicates absence (*yoga*: *viyoga*) or reverse (*kraya*: *vikraya*). As a result, it is possible for *vi-naya* to mean the absence of *naya*. It is this possibility of which the skilled writers in Kāvya took advantage and succeeded in composing a verse with the double-entendre. We shall see the skill of Māgha in his Śiśupālavadha, where a verse can be read in the two ways of praise and blame.

ahitād anapatrapas trasann atimātrojjhita-bhīr anāstikaḥ vinayopahitas tvayā kutaḥ sadṛśo 'nyo guṇavān avismayaḥ. Śiśupālavadha 16.7

2.1.1. The first meaning, in the good sense:

Where is someone else virtuous (guṇavat) equal to you, possessed of decorum (vinayopahita), afraid of (trasan) evils (ahita), prudent (an-apa-trapa), yet tremendously brave (ujjhita-bhī), pious (a-nāstika) and without arrogance (avismaya)?

2.2.2. The second meaning, in the bad sense (parusa):

Where is someone else unvirtuous (aguṇavat) equal to you, afraid of the enemy (ahita = śatru), shameless (an-apatrapa = nirlajja). cowardly (nati- $m\bar{a}trojjhita$ - $bh\bar{t}$) (literally, "escaping fear only by obeisance" = "without fighting bravely"), an atheist (an- $\bar{a}stika$), without policy, and yet arrogant?

According to Mallinātha, here the compound *vinayopahita* in the first reading is *vinayenānauddhatyenopahito višiṣṭa*, taking *vinaya* in the sense of *anauddhatya* (freedom from pride, modesty).

In the second reading, the compound is divided as *vinayo 'pahita*, and *vinaya* is used in the sense of *nayātīto* (gone beyond good policy (*naya*), that is, neglected policy) and *apahita* is taken in the sense of *hitād apetah* (deviating from the beneficial).²⁶

²⁶For other word-play of *a-naya*, *vi-naya*, cf. tasya tat prāpya dusprāpyam aiśvaryam muni-satkṛtam

2.2. vinaya as a repetition of naya

The repetition of a word with its prefix is not uncommon in Pali,²⁷ but it appears also in Epic Sanskrit.²⁸ For example, the prefix *upa*- is used in *vana*, *upa-vana*, *diś*, *upa-diś* and also in *niṣad*, *upa-ṇiṣad*.²⁹ People often translate *upa-vana* as "small wood", and *upa-diś* as "intermediate quarter". The same is also the case with the prefix *vi*-, for we have such examples as *diś*, *vi-diś*, *dhātā*, *vi-dhātā*, *jñāna*, *vi-jñāna* and, here including *naya*, *vi-naya*. We notice that in addition to the "disjunctive" function, the prefix *vi*- here has a function of "differentiation". We shall see examples below.

2.2.1. diś and vi-diś

sā rāja-bhuja-nirmuktā nirmuktoraga-saṃnibhā prajvālayantī gaganaṃ diśaś ca vidiśas tathā droṇāntikam anuprāptā dīptāsyā pannagī yathā.

MBh.7.81.31

The spear (śakti), hurled from the king's arm, reached close to Droṇa, burning the sky and various quarters, like a female snake with gleaming mouth which has just cast off her skin.³⁰

dīpo yathā nirvŗtim abhyupeto naivāvaniṃ gacchati nāntarikṣam diśaṃ na kāṃcid vidiśaṃ na kāṃcit sneha-kṣayāt kevalam eti śāntim.

Saundarananda 16.28

vibabhrāma matis tāta vinayād anayāhatā.

H.20.28

For naya, apa-naya, vi-naya, cf.

vinayam guṇā iva vivekam apanaya-bhidam nayā iva nyāyam avadhaya ivāśaraṇāḥ śaraṇaṃ yayuḥ śivam atho mahrṣayaḥ. Kirātārjunīya 12.17

²⁷Cf. Allon 199 note and 248 (kampati, saṃkampati, saṃpakampati) and Dhadphale 217 (neti, vineti, anuneti), 222 (kampi, saṃkampi, sampakampi), 225 (jhāyanti, pajjhāyanti, nijjhāyanti, apajjhāyanti).

²⁸Hara 2000A.

²⁹Hara 2000B.

³⁰Cf. MBh.13.151.27, H.31.37, R.6.66.27.

Just as a lamp, which has reached the stage of extinction, does not depart to the earth or the sky or any of the quarters or intermediate quarters but from exhaustion of the oil merely goes out.

Tr. Johnston³¹

As Johnston takes it, the word *vi-diś* means the intermediate quarters, differentiating the preceding word *diś*.

2.2.2. śesa-, viśesa

rājño 'pi vāso-yugam ekam eva kṣut-saṃnirodhāya tathānnamātrā

śayyā tathaikāsanam ekam eva śeṣā viśeṣā nṛpater madāya.

Buddhacarita 11.48

A king too can only wear one pair of garments and similarly take only a certain measure of food to still his hunger: so he can only use one bed, only one seat. The other luxuries of a king lead only to the intoxication of pride.

Tr. Johnston

Here Johnston takes śeṣā viśeṣā as "the other (śeṣa) luxuries (viśeṣa) (of a king)", but one may interpret the second word vi-śeṣa as a specification or differentiation of śeṣa. Then śeśa, viśeṣa means "the rest", or "the various remainings, large and small".

2.2.3. $dh\bar{a}t\bar{a}$ -, $vidh\bar{a}t\bar{a}^{32}$

These two are often rendered into "creator" and "distributor", but we may take them in the sense of "various gods". In enumerating the gods who attended the rite of the royal consecration of Skanda Kārtikeya, the text says,

indrā-viṣṇū mahā-vīryau sūryā-candramasau tathā dhātā caiva vidhātā ca tathā caivānilānalau.

MBh.9.44.4

Indra and Viṣṇu of great energy, similarly the sun and moon, and $dh\bar{a}t_f$ and $vidh\bar{a}t_f$, wind and fire³³ ...

³²Cf. Durga ad Nirukta 11.11 (*dhātaiva vidhātā*) as quoted in Dhadphale 223.

³¹Cf. Saundarananda 16.29.

³³Cf. MBh.7.69.46, 13.15.31, 13.145.39 (sa dhātā vidhātā ...), 3.249.4 (dhātur

The gods here enumerated (the sun and moon, wind and fire) compose the typical pairs, and we do not need to take the second vi- $dh\bar{a}tr$ in the sense of "distributor". Here $dh\bar{a}t\bar{a}$, $vidh\bar{a}t\bar{a}$ simply means "various gods".

2.2.4. jñāna-, vijñāna

As is well-known, F. Edgerton proposed to translate $j\bar{n}\bar{a}na$ as "theoretical knowledge" and $vij\bar{n}\bar{a}na$ as "practical knowledge".³⁴ Thus he translated, for example,

tasmāt tvam indriyāṇy ādau niyamya bharatarṣabha pāpmānaṃ prajahi hy enaṃ jñāna-vijñāna-nāśanam.

BhG.3.41

Thou, therefore, the senses first controlling, O bull of Bharatas, smite down this evil one, that destroys theoretical and practical knowledge.

Tr. Edgerton³⁵

But we may take them in a similar way, taking them simply as "various sorts of knowledge".

2.2.5. naya-, vi-naya

Now we come to naya vinaya.36 As diś-, vi-diś mean "quarters and

vidhātuḥ), 12.224.49 (dhātaiva vidadhāty uta), R.7.20.24 (yo vidhātā ca dhātā ca sukṛte duṣkṛte tathā).

vipanne ca samārambhe saṃtāpaṃ mā sma vai kṛthāḥ ghaṭate vinayas tāta rājñām eṣa nayaḥ paraḥ.

MBh.12.56.16

Even when some undertaking has failed, do not grieve! [In such a case] modesty (*vinaya*) is proper (to be followed), for modesty is the highest policy (*naya*) of kings.

We have mentioned above that courtesy (vinaya) is indispensable for the education of princes.

³⁴Edgerton 1933.

³⁵Cf. BhG 6.8, MS.9.41: tat-prājñena vinītena jñāna-vijñāna-vedinā.

³⁶Of course, we would not entirely exclude the meaning of "modesty" for *vinaya*, even when it appears in conjunction with *naya*. For example,

intermediate quarters", that is "various quarters" as a whole,³⁷ so *naya*-, *vi-naya* may mean "various *naya* (policy, stratagems)", instead of "policy and modesty". Below we shall list some examples where *vinaya* is used in this sense.

2.2.5.1. In the self-praise of Kamsa, we read,

aham balena vīryena nayena vinayena ca prabhāveṇaiva śauryeṇa tejasā vikrameṇa ca satyena caiva dānena nānyo 'sti sadrśah pumān.

H.2.28.113 Bombay = H.73.822*7-9

Nobody is equal to me with respect to power, energy, majesty, [using] various stratagems, heroism, splendour, courage, truthfulness and giving.³⁸

2.2.5.2. In describing Kṛṣṇa, we read,

manusyāṇāṃ mano-bhūtas tapo-bhūtas tapasvinām vinayo naya-vṛttānāṃ tejas tejasvinām api.

H.30.36

He is the $[true]^{39}$ mind of men, and the [true] asceticism of the ascetics, vinaya of naya-vrttas, and the splendour of the splendorous.⁴⁰

Though we have here *vinaya* metri causa, otherwise we might expect *naya-bhūta* in parallel with *mano-bhūta*, *tapo-bhūta* in the first line, or *naya* with *tejas* in *pada* d. In this context, it is not necessary to take *vinaya* as being independent of *naya* in the sense of "modesty", or "moral discipline", but "the [true] *naya* of *naya-vrttas* (the true [= distinctive] policy among politicians)".

³⁷We have similar constructions in *diś-*, *upa-diś-*, *pra-diś-*, *pratidiś-* also.

³⁸Except for *satya* and *dāna* in the last line, all the items enumerated in the first two lines are concepts of a military and heroic nature. If so, *vinaya* in the first line is not necessarily to be taken in the sense of "modesty", but goes together with *naya* in the sense of "various" *nayas*.

³⁹Here I take -bhūta in the sense of "true", as is the case with caitya-bhūta and kumāra-bhūta. Cf. Schopen.

⁴⁰Cf. Vāyu-purāṇa 97.42 which has *vinayo naya-tṛptānāṃ* in c.

2.2.5.3. In his monologue, Yaugandharāyaṇa says as follows:

vairam bhayam paribhavam ca samam vihāya kṛtvā nayaiś ca vinayaiś ca śaraiś ca karma śatroḥ śriyam ca suhṛdām ayaśaś ca hitvā prāpto jayaś ca nṛ-patiś ca mahāṃś ca śabdaḥ.

Pratijñāyaugandharāyana 4.6

[For I,] disregarding enmity, fear, and insult alike, have accomplished my work with my designs, by self-control and arrows, ending the glory of the foe and the disgrace of my friends. Thereby have I won victory, the king himself, and great renown.

Tr. Woolner

Though Woolner takes naya in the sense of "design" and vinaya "self-control", we may take them in the sense of various sorts of naya (stratagem, tactic), the diplomatic means, both of which are contrasted to śara (arrow), the military means.⁴¹

2.2.5.4. Similarly,

śīlena sāmnā vinayena sītām nayena na prāpsyasi cen narendra tataḥ samutsādaya hema-punkhair mahendra-vajra-pratimaih śaraughaih.

R.3.61.16

If you cannot recover Sītā by peaceful means (śīla), by conciliation (sāman), tact (vinaya), or diplomacy (naya), lord of men, then unleash the flood of your gold-feathered arrows, as devastating as great Indra's thunder-bolts.

Tr. Pollock

⁴¹Apparently, the second line refers to the various means of defeating an enemy. According to the $n\bar{\imath}ti$ literature, the means $(up\bar{a}ya)$ consists of peaceful tactics (sāman, dāna, and bheda) and violent means (danda). In the above verse, naya, vinaya correspond to peaceful means, while śara to the violent one.

Pollock rightly takes *vinaya* as "tact". Here again the second line refers to arrows, a violent means, whereas the first line refers to peaceful diplomatic means.⁴² Under such circumstances, we do not necessarily take the words *naya* and *vinaya* literally, that is, in the sense of "tactics" and "self-control".

3. Other special meanings

Apart from *vi*- with the "disjunctive" and "differenciating" function, we shall list below three special meanings of *vinaya* as induced from context and commentary literature.

3.1. vinaya in the sense of nigada (fetter)

In the Pratijñāyaugandharāyaṇa, a chamberlain tells Pradyota how Vatsa is as a captive as follows:

kāñcukīyaḥ — āhita-vinayatvāt pādayor aṅge tasya bahuprahāratvāc ca skandha-vāhyena śayanīyena madhyama-gṛhe praveśitaḥ.

Pratijñāyaugandharāyana 2.13.10-11

Chamberlain: He was so tractable and had so many wounds on his feet and body, that he was carried into the Middle Palace on a litter.

Tr. Woolner

Though Woolner translated āhita-vinaya as "tractable", here the compound should be taken in the sense of "having fetters placed", as Ganapatisastri commented (āhita-vinayatvād vinīyate 'nenāparādhīti vinaya iha nigalaḥ, sa āhito niveśito yasya sa āhita-vinayaḥ). Here the passage describes king Vatsa as a captive, having his feet and body fettered as a criminal (aparādhin).

⁴²As is well known, *sāman* (conciliation), *dāna* (bribery), *bheda* (sowing dissension) and *daṇḍa* (open attack) are means of success against an enemy (MS.7.109, KAS.7.16.3). Here the first line corresponds to peaceful means and *śara* in the second line to violent means. Cf. also, MBh.12.223.8, R.2.37.5, 4.17.28, 4.18.8, R.6.128.82 (Bombay), H.2.28.113 (Bombay).

3.2. vinaya as contrasted to visarga

Bhīṣma enumerates various aspects of danda, the rod of punishment.

aśaktiḥ śaktir ity eva māna-stambhau vyayāvyayau vinayaś ca visargaś ca kālākālau ca bhārata.

MBh.12.121.28

[It is] power and impotence, arrogance, obstinacy, change and stability, discipline and letting loose, the right time and the wrong time.

Tr. Fitzgerald

Since positive and negative concepts are contrasted here, *vinaya* is the reverse of *visarga* and thus *pada* c should be translated something like "restraint and freedom".

It is interesting to note that *vinaya* which means originally "removal" here comes to mean "confinement [in fetters]" or "restraint", nearly the reverse of its original meaning of "taking away".⁴³

3.3. *vinīta* in the sense of *prasārita* (stretched, strewn)

Finally, we shall examine *vinīta* in the sense of *prasārita*. BR lists under *vi-nī-* (*ausbreiten*) an example from the Rāmāyaṇa. Prior to the well-known scene of Sītā's abduction, she was curious about a golden deer and asked Rāma to capture it, saying:

nihatasyāsya sattvasya jāmbūnada-maya-tvaci śaṣpabṛsyāṃ vinītāyām icchāmy aham upāsitum.

R.3.41.19

Were the creature to be killed, I should like his golden skin to be stretched over a cushion of straw, to make a seat.

Tr. Pollock⁴⁴

śaspa-brsyām bāla-trṇa-parikalpita-tāpasāsane vinītāyām prasāritāyām asya

⁴³This meaning of *vinaya* as confinement and restraint may be related to that found in Pali *ariyassa vinaye*, which means "in the restricted sense of aryan", that is, "in the Buddhist sense of the term". However, the discussion on this subject needs another lengthy paper to be written.

⁴⁴The commentary reads as follows:

Above, we have discussed *vinaya* used neither in the original sense of "removal", nor in the ordinary sense of "discipline" in classical Sanskrit literature. ⁴⁵ Finally, we shall examine an allegorical story of *vinaya* and its relationship to *lajjā*.

4. vinaya and lajjā

4.1. It is believed that *vinaya* is essential to the well-bred woman, as is expressed by the Sanskrit compound *sādhvī-vinaya*. When Hanumān extended his hand to help her, Sītā refused his offer, being afraid of touching a man's hand other than her husband. In his praise, we read:

yukta-rūpaṃ tvayā devi bhāṣitaṃ śubha-darśane sadṛśaṃ strī-svabhāvasya sādhvīnāṃ vinayasya ca.

R.5.36.2

Oh queen, charming lady, what you said is appropriate. It is suitable for womenhood $(str\bar{t}-svabh\bar{a}va)$ and the providence (vinaya) of a chaste women!

4.2. So bashfulness ($lajj\bar{a}$) is proper for the well-bred young lady.

asaṃtuṣṭā dvijā naṣṭā saṃtuṣṭāś ca mahībhujaḥ salajjā gaṇikā naṣṭā nirlajjāś ca kula-striyaḥ.

Hitopadeśa 3.64

The following [four] perish: twice-borns unsatisfied, kings satisfied, bashful courtesans, and unbashful women of a noble family (*kula-strī*).

Then, how are these two, *vinaya* and *lajjā*, related to each other?

jāmbūnada-maya-tvacy upāsitum tvat-samīpe sthātum icchāmi/yad vā bhagavad-upāsanām kartum ity arthah.

Upon a golden hide, strewn ($vin\bar{\imath}ta = pras\bar{a}rita$) over an ascetic seat, prepared with young $ku \le a$ grass, I wish to sit in your side, or to serve you. That is the meaning.

⁴⁵For the meaning of *Anstandsbusse* (fine due to indecorum (*Geldstrafe bei Ungebührlichkeit*) = solatium?), cf. Meyer 291 11ff. Cf. also Nārada-smṛti 6.21d ("fine", Lariviere translation 120).

4.3. It is in the Kūrma Purāṇa 1.8 that vinaya is allegorically called the son of dharma and $lajj\bar{a}$. Twenty-four daughers of Dakṣa are mentioned there, and thirteen of them are married to Dharma. Here, $lajj\bar{a}$ is enumerated as one of them, and she brought to her husband a son called vinaya. The relevant passage reads as follows:

buddhyā bodhaḥ sutas tadvad apramādo vyajāyata lajjāyā vinayaḥ putro vapuṣo vyavasāyakaḥ.

Kūrma-purāņa 1.8.23

Enlightenment (bodha) was born of intelligence (buddhi), so was mindfulness (apramāda). Decorum (vinaya) is the son of shame (lajjā), the determinant (vyavasāyaka) is the son of a handsome figure (vapus). 46

4.4. The mother-son relationship between $lajj\bar{a}$ and vinaya can be illustrated more concretely by some romantic passages of Bāṇa's Kādambarī.

4.4.1. We read:

prāyeṇa prathamaṃ madanānalo lajjāṃ dahati, tato hrdayam/ ādau vinayādikaṃ kusumeṣu-śarāḥ khaṇḍayanti paścān marmāni.

Kādambarī 409.9-10

Generally, the love-fire first burns bashfulness ($lajj\bar{a}$), and then the heart. Kāma's arrows first attack decorum (vinaya), and later the vital parts.

Once $lajj\bar{a}$ is defeated, it is an easy step for Kāma to destroy her son vinaya.

4.4.2. Similarly,

skhalite cetasi tal-lagnā pataty eva lajjā/trapāvaraṇa-śūnye hṛdi praviśya padaṃ kurvan kena vā nivārito durnivāraḥ

lajjāyā vinayah putro vyavasāyo vasoh sutah.

Linga-purāṇa 70.296

lajjāyā vinayaḥ putro vyavasāyo vasyoḥ sutaḥ.

Vāyu-purāņa 10.36

⁴⁶Cf.

sarvāvinaya-hetuh kusuma-dhanvā.

Kādambarī 497.6-7

When the mind stumbles, shame $(lajj\bar{a})$ which clings to it falls. Into the heart devoid of its protecting cover (of $lajj\bar{a}$), the flower-bannered one (Kāma) enters. Once he has entered, who can drive him away, the god who is hard to drive out and causes all sorts of indecorum (avinaya)?

When bashfulness is taken away, all sorts of decorum are exposed to danger.

4.4.3. In her self-reproach, the well-bred lady in love laments as follows:

yadi tāvad itara-kanyakeva vihāya lajjām, utsṛjya dhairyam, avamucya vinayam, acintayitvā janāpavādam, atikramya sadācāram, ullanghya śīlam, avaganayya kulam... svayam upagamya grāhayāmi pāṇim/evam guru-janātikramād adharmo mahān.

Kādambarī 297.3

If I approach by myself and grasp [his] hand [for marriage], like a common girl — abandoning shame $(lajj\bar{a})$, giving up steadfastness (dhairya), unharnessing decorum (vinaya), neglecting people's rumour $(jan\bar{a}pav\bar{a}da)$, transgressing good conduct $(sad\bar{a}c\bar{a}ra)$, traversing morality (sila), neglecting the noble family[ness] (kula) ... — then, through the offence to my respected elders, there would be a great \sin^{47}

The urge of love-passion deprives the young lady of all the virtues.⁴⁸ All these passages illustrate the close connection of $lajj\bar{a}$ and vinaya.

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paiśunyena kulam madena vinayo duścestayā pauruṣam dāridryena janādaro mamatayā cātma-prakāśo hataḥ.

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⁴⁷Cf. Kādamabarī 354.14–355.4.

⁴⁸Besides *kāma*, *mada* (alcholic drink) also destroys *vinaya*.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Α	Anguttara	Nikāya	(PTS)

BR O. Böhtlingk and R. Roth, Sanskrit Wörterbuch

D Dīgha-nikāya (PTS)

H The Harivamśa (Poona Critical Edition, unless otherwise indicated)

IS O. Böhtlingk, Indische Sprüche (Osnabrück Reprint 1966)

Ja The Jātaka, ed., by V. Fausbøll (PTS)

KAS The Kauṭalya Artha-Śāstra, ed., by R.P. Kangle (Bombay)

MBh The Mahābhārata (Poona Critical Edition)
Mil Milinda-pañha, ed., by V. Trenckner (PTS)

M Majjhima-nikāya (PTS)

MS Manusmṛti (NSP)

NSP Nirnaya-sagar Press (Bombay)

PTS The Pali Text Society

R The Vālmīki Rāmāyaṇa (Baroda Critical Edition, unless otherwise

indicated

S Saṃyutta-nikāya (PTS)

Sn Suttanipāta

Vin The Vinaya-piṭaka, ed. by H. Oldenberg (PTS)

YS Yājñavalkya-smṛti (NSP)

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