

The Clever Minister



Once upon a time, there lived a very clever man called Subuddhi. He was the Prime Minister of the kingdom of Champanagri. This man, would not agree with his king if he thought that he was wrong. Instead, he would often show the king the right way.



One day, the king and his minister went for a walk. On the way, they saw a canal filled with dirty and stinking water. The king held his nose and said,

"Oh, how dirty this water is!"

His Prime Minister Subuddhi smiled and said,

"It depends how you look at it."

"What do you mean?" asked the king.

"I shall show you that in a few days.",

responded the minister.



Subuddhi took a pot full of water, and in the next seven days, he cleaned it. Then, he put some sweeteners and rose perfume in it and invited the king over.



The king came for dinner, and he offered him that water. The king had never drunk such sweet water.

"This is the best water I have ever had!"

he exclaimed.

Subuddhi smiled and said,

"This is the same water you thought of as dirty."

He explained,

"We can make even the impure clean. We must try and make everything better."



The king was very impressed and realized that things that are thought of as disgusting could be better!



We must try and improve
what we think is impure
or bad around us.

