

# **Poetry**

1. VOLCANO

Life —

an urge to go
to deeper recesses
but annulling force
of buoyancy doesn't relax
until volcano erupts.
Agastya gone to south
weary Vindhyas await
in dolorous hope of return.
t gushes to satiate
heat of the soil,

enthralling melody simmers

on the waves:

it is mermaid.

Quest is over.

Storm is calm.

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## 2. THE RIVER AND THE BOAT

Last month
she was weak and tender,
yet did not let me ford;
the boat ferried me
to the other shore.
Now, she is he
and I fear to ford;
the boat ferries me
to the other shore.
River chameleon
of self; boat engenders
faith and hope.
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#### 3. PERISHING MAN

As I dare peep out through the window, eyes reel at the sight of a whirligig nourishing in the lee of pythons ... **Headless bodies** march in a mute procession leading to a maze ... Terrible cries follow in an uproar without human shores. **Numberless snakes** leave holes in Siberia to live in cities ... Strange! Can't shut eyes. Ignorance and greed ...

## **Perishing Man?**

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#### 4. THIS PROMISING AGE

In this antagonistic society contradictions tend to become acute with unsympathetic attitude. Civilization cannot reverse gears nor present to past. What, then, do we expect in this jungle of automation? Vats-man is captive, machines instruct, calculate and infer achievements of Homo sapiens. Bits of reality concatenated together give rise to a new set of ideas. What other role awaits insignificant cog in this robot culture where soul defies the principle of metempsychosis? and enters into wires, screws, transistors, magnets and diaphragms to help, interpret and amuse? Where has gone logic of inventive thought? Fissures of cerebrum dive deep

into the waves

of computers and genetic code

in a venture

to unriddle the skein.

Estranged soul entangles itself

in the criss-cross of vibrations.

**Entirely new features prop up** 

The land nourished by

Synthetic culture and ideals.

Plethora demoniac

descends down on the earth

like a beam

to impregnate

the abortive eye;

compassions, pity, sympathy

face retreat

before hypocrisy and cynicism

Eros – the fairest –

dominates the Murdoch's scene

where human crucibles

boil and transpire

and fall down with rain

promiscuously indiscernible

like a chemical whole.

Nature has been cruel

to the honest individual.

Painful cries rend

the sky and ocean alike

on the pitiless planet

where to do ill is the sole delight.

Can clouds save any more

the blistering skin,

breeze balm

the parched mind,

the marmorial wind stop the bleeding of throbbing heart? Thoughts peal in echoes and defile the flow of one serene and tranquil idea Amazon deep and Mississippi long and bound to leave as clearly as one can without having any kinds to hand the sores of misery. **Individual bound** to lose moral identity on the verge of catastrophe. Ordinary time flows into Bhrigu time. **Unknowingly centuries know** yet feel not so. What is time? Who cannot tell?

All know. Yet nobody knows. In this affluent society watch and sit, sit and watch before the signaling knob; morn to eve, eve to morn sometimes on the cross-roads of crises minutes are stretching longer than hours and days; years contracted to seconds. Passions degenerated into mechanized smiles while coming and going

lips frigid to flowery kisses inside the tube. **Brooks and parks** mysteriously disappeared in the forced isolation as glass acquaria stepped into a room of hundredth storey steel-house. The unique individual steadily disappears at the hapless fate of RNA and the soil is ready for a bumper crop of deformities. A business-minded mother decides to be pregnant for those who do not want to lose their shape. Neuromycin frees the brain from habitual reflexes and switches off reaction and drops blank unconscious schizoid problems of unreal schizoid individuals of this promising age

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