Request for Eight Precepts

Aham bhante, tisaraṇena saha, aṭṭhaṅga-samannāgatam uposatha-sīlam, dhammam yācāmi, anuggaham katvā sīlam detha, me bhante.

Venerable sir, I would like to request the *uposatha* eight precepts with refuge in the Triple Gem. Please kindly grant me the request.

Sayadaw says (S): Yam aham vadāmi, tam vadetha - Repeat after me.

Yogis reply (Y): Āma bhante - Yes, Venerable sir.

Homage to the Buddha

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato sammāsambuddhasa (3 times)

Homage to him, the Exalted One, the fully Enlightened One

Taking Three Refuges

Buddham saranam gacchāmi - I go to the Buddha as my refuge. **Dhammam saranam gacchāmi -** I go to the Dhamma as my refuge. **Samqham saranam gacchāmi -** I go to the Sangha as my refuge

Dutiyampi Buddham saranam gacchāmi.

For the second time, I go to the Buddha as my refuge

Dutiyampi Dhammam saranam gacchāmi.

For the second time, I go to the Dhamma as my refuge.

Dutiyampi Samgham saranam gacchāmi.

For the second time, I go to the Sangha as my refuge.

Tatiyampi Buddham saranam gacchāmi.

For the third time, I go to the Buddha as my refuge.

Tatiyampi Dhammam saranam gacchāmi.

For the third time, I go to the Dhamma as my refuge.

Tatiyampi Samgham saranam gacchāmi.

For the third time, I go to the Sangha as my refuge.

- **(S):** Saraṇagamanam paripuṇṇam Taking refuge is complete.
- (Y): Āma Bhante Yes, Venerable Sir

Taking Eight Preceps

- 1. Pāṇātipātā veramaṇi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.
 - I undertake the rule of training to refrain from killing any beings.
- **2. Adinnādānā veramaņi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.** I undertake the rule of training to refrain from taking what is not given.
- 3. Abrahmacariya veramaņi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.
 - I undertake the rule of training to refrain from sexual conducts.

4. Musāvādā veramani-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.

I undertake the rule of training to refrain from false speech.

5. Surā-meraya-majja-pamādaţţhānā veramaņi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.

I undertake the rule of training to refrain from drinks and drugs that fuddle the mind and reduce mindfulness.

6. Vikāla-bhojanā veramaņi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.

I undertake the rule of training to refrain from taking food at improper time (after midday).

7. Nacca gīta vādita visūkadassana, mālāgandha vilepana dhārana maṇḍana vibhūsanaṭṭhānā veramaṇi-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.

I undertake the rule of training to refrain from dancing, singing, music, shows, using garlands, perfumes, cosmetics, adornments and ornaments.

8. Uccāsayana-mahāsayanā veramani-sikkhāpadam samādiyāmi.

I undertake the rule of training to refrain from using high and luxurious seats or beds.

Idam me sīlam magga-phala-ñāṇassa paccayo hotu.

May my keeping of precepts be a suitable condition for my attaining path and fruitions.

(S): Appamādena sampādetha - Accomplish the training with mindfulness.

(Y): Āma Bhante - Yes, Venerable Sir.