

Krishna and Govardhan

Characters- Krishna, Nand, Indra Dev, Priest, Villager 1, Villager 2, Villager 3, Friend 1, Friend 2

Narrator: A long time ago Krishna was playing with his friends in Vrindavan when he heard there was going to be a pooja

Friend 1: Lets go, I heard that there is going to be a pooja today

Friend 2: I heard it's going to be a big one

Narrator: Krishna and his friends then rushed back to the village where Krishna's father Nand was making preparations for the pooja with the village priest

Krishna: Oh father, what kind of pooja will there be?

Nand: This is a very special pooja that we are doing for Indra Dev, He is the king of all devtas and the commander of rain and thunderstorms

As the preparations for the pooja were complete it was time to start it. All the villagers of Vrindavan then headed near the mountain called Govardhan

Priest: It is now time for the pooja to start. To please Indra Dev, we shall begin by separating this baby lamb from its mother and then sacrificing it to the great lord Indra.

Krishna: Stop Priest, this lamb was just born into this world a few days ago, it still has a right to live. You cannot separate it from its mother and kill it just for the selfish purpose of pleasing a devta.

Priest: How dare you question my ritual, you're just a child. If we do not worship Indra then we will not get his blessings and it will be very hard to survive in the following years if he doesn't let rain fall and allow our crops to grow.

Krishna: Rather than worshiping a devta who gets pleased from the sacrifices of innocent lives, why don't we worship a devta who brings food, prosperity, shelter in Vrindavan.

Nand: A devta like that doesn't exist young Krishna, and even if they do exist how would we even know what to do to please them.

Priest: If there was such a devta why haven't we seen them yet?

Krishna: There is a devta like that who exists and is standing right in front of you, you just need the right perspective to see them.

Priest: Who is this devta?

Krishna: This devta is no other than Govardhan mountain itself. During the summer it protects us from the intense heat of the sun, and during winter it protects us from the sheer cold of the environment. It always keeps us safe by acting as a gate so intense rains do not flood the village. It even grows the berries and fruits that both us and our animals eat. There isn't anything that it doesn't do that doesn't protect us.

Priest: That's silly little Krishna, Govardhan is just a simple mountain you can't compare a pile of stones and the great Lord Indra.

Krishna: But the Govardhan mountain is alive as well.

Priest: If it was alive then prove it.

Krishna: Why don't we offer our prashad to Govardhan mountain and if it accepts it then we will worship that instead of Indra, and if it doesn't accept then we will worship Indra as you wanted.

Priest: That sounds like a deal that you're going to be losing Krishna.

Villagers begin to offer Govardhan prashad

Villager 1: See Krishna nothing is happening

Villager 2: This was all a waste of time there should only be one dev we should worship.

Narrator: As soon as the villager said that, the food from all the plates began to disappear and go into Govardhan.

Krishna: See oh villagers, Govardhan has approved our prashad

Priest: I can't believe it, I guess we have no choice but to accept to worship Govardhan.

Enter Indra dev

Narrator: Hearing this, Indra dev was furious he started sending intense floods and rain down in Vrindavan.

Villager 3: oh no Krishna we have angered Indra dev and now we are all doomed, no one can escape him.

Narrator: Seeing this Krishna got very angry he stubbed his toe on the floor and cracks began to appear all around Govardhan mountain. He then went under and started lifting the entire mountain with just his left pinky finger.

Indra Dev: How dare they lift up a tiny mountain and think it's enough to defeat me, now I will put all my powers into destroying this mountain.

Indra throws lightning into Govardhan mountain

Krishna: No matter how many attacks Indra does, this mountain will be able to withstand them all.

Narrator: After 6 days of continuous rain and lightning attacks, Indra then realised that this was no ordinary kid and was Lord Vishnu himself.

Indra: oh what have I done, I have insulted Lord Vishnu himself. I need to go ask him for forgiveness

Indra: Oh Lord, forgive me for I did not recognise who you were and I was blinded by my ego.

Krishna: Oh Indra, for your pooja you have asked an innocent animal to be sacrificed and when it wasn't, you began attacking all the innocent village people.

Indra: I understand my lord. I ask for forgiveness for my mistakes from both you and all the village people.

Krishna: Okay Indra, we forgive you if you promise never to make a mistake like this again.

Indra: Yes my lord i promise

Narrator: After Indra had left, Krishna dropped Govardhan mountain to back where it belonged and now it is a custom ritual for the Govardhan mountain to be worshipped in vrindavan till this date.

END OF PLAY

Sadhan- dhoti saal , flute, mountain, crown, magdar for indra's weapon, blue chuni for water, plate,