

(A) Question - 1= Page 19-59

Answer - 1= Page 19

The truth of after-life should be convinced by considering the inequalities in business, professions, education, intelligence etc. among people and differences in temperaments, tendencies and habits of the same family members, which are stated by the Buddha's Teaching as due to Kamma (action), thoughts and tendencies of past-existences.

(B) Question - 2= Is killing germs Pāṇātipātā offence? page 60.

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The most important of all is the motive or mental attitude. If the medicines are given with the sole intention of alleviating or removing the patient's

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living beings and to kill them, it should not be taken as Pāṇātipātā offence.

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So, by considering the above mentioned reasons, it should be noted that certain extraordinary cases of longevity in non-Buddhist countries are related to past Kamma, hereditary, nutriment, seasons, habits, and less mental stress.

For Buddhists, meritorious deeds regarding the triple Gems (Tiratana) should also be taken into account.

Thus, most venerable Mahāsi Mahathera had expounded in reply to the questions with regard to "The Problems of life" posed to him.

To summarize :-

Heedfully contemplating the lord Buddha's admonishment:-

" Vaya dhammā Saṅkhārā, appamādena sampādeṭha " meaning " Everything that arises is subject to dissolution, strive with diligence "

" Manussatta bhāvo dullabo " :-

Human existence is hard to achieve

Now, may you all readers make good use of the

rare opportunity of attaining human existence by accumulating meritorious deeds and developing insight wisdom.

With best wishes,

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