Conversation at Gītā Bhavan

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Prabhupāda: Begging from door to door for lakṣmī. How can I [indistinct].

Indian (1): [Laughs] if you [indistinct], Mahārāja.

Devotee: Program for Caitanya Mahāprabhu hated when people call him Narayan. [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Within this coat you are, therefore I shall not ask you coat.

Indian (1): [Laughs]

Prabhupāda: Is that any reason? Because within the coat you are, therefore can I address you Mr. Coat? So in this way so many things are misused.

Indian (1): [indistinct] [background chatter]

Prabhupāda: That is wrong.

Indian (1): Sometimes if one is usual the *karma* prospect[?], so they say.

Prabhupāda: Therefore say, over respecting himself. That example I gave you. That if I say, "Your Majesty" that is an insult. This is not respect it is insult.

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Law of identity, he.., one should be addressed as he is. Not more

than that, not less than that.

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Eh?

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Yes, your Holiness. That is sufficient.

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Eh?

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Mahārāja, Swamiji, Mahārāja, Prabhupāda. This is sufficient.

Indian (1): Prabhupāda.

Prabhupāda: Yes. A spiritual master is addressed Prabhupāda. A sannyāsīis addressed as Mahārāja, or Swamiji, like that.

Indian (2): But sometimes we don't know the certain distinction between Mahārāja and Swamiji and that..., because in India it is a common term.

Prabhupāda: Swamiji, Swamiji means the master of the senses. One who is master of the senses. Generally we are servant of the senses. Generally.

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: [Laughs] So one who has control of his senses he is called Svāmī or Gosvāmī.

Indian (1): Gosvāmī?

Prabhupāda: Yes. Svāmī or Gosvāmī the same thing. Go means senses and svāmī

means master. Generally people are servant of the senses. So one who has controlled the senses. The senses act according to his order. He does not act according to the senses order. He is.

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Eh?

Indian (1): [indistinct]

Prabhupāda: Acha. [indistinct, Hindi discussion]. [break] [end]