

## Nemi Bhaktivedanta

KBM: "Srila Sarasvati Prabhupada is priya-narma-sakha" ??? Seems strange.

The KBM party has quoted a small part of a conversation with Srila Gurudeva, in an attempt to prove that my Guru Maharaja, Prabhupada Srila Bhaktivedanta Swami Maharaja is a priya-narma sakha.

QUOTE from KBM

19931212\_13 SB10\_31\_15\_16 CONT SBSSP DISP WITH SDG TAPE 7 (from 33:00) "...without Rupa-manjari we cannot serve Radhika. There are also - you know that Subala, Sridama, they are priya-narma-sakha - Ujjvala. They are inclined to Srimati Radhika and they are pleased if Radhika and Kãñña meets. But there are some also cowherds, priya-narma-sakha for Candravali. Those who plea- But Prabhupada was very, very much inclined to Srimati Radhika in favor of rupanuga. He was rupanuga."

END QUOTE FROM KBM

The KBM party apparently want us to understand that Srila Prabhupada is a priya-narma-sakha, not of Candravali, but of Radhika.

The argument seems very weak and inconclusive.

It gets worse, much, much worse.

Recently, Balabhadra Prabhu from London pointed out to me that the conversation is not actually about my Guru Maharaja at all; it is a talk that Srila Gurudeva gave to some senior ISKCON devotees on the Disappearance Day of Srila Sarasvati Prabhupada. This is clear from the tape itself, because Srila Gurudeva first describes how Srila Sarasvati Prabhupada summoned his disciples before he left this world. (The name of the tape that the KBM devotees themselves quote in their paper is "SBSSP DISP", an abbreviation for Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Sarsavati Prabhupada Disappearance. Further, we might have noticed that Srila Gurudeva says "Prabhupada" in the recording, but he rarely referred to my Guru Maharaja as "Prabhupada". Indeed, at the end of this talk he calls him "Swami-ji" and "Swami-ji Maharaja".)

Balabhadra Prabhu further pointed out that, if we accept the KBM logic in this conversation, it means that they have proved that Srila Sarasvati Prabhupada is a priya-narma-sakha. However, we know that Srila Sarasvati Prabhupada is a manjari called Nayana-mani Manjari. Hence, the logic in the KBM argument must be fallacious.

The incident shows that the KBM party's arguments are not always reliable and conclusive.