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# Mula Veereswara Rao - poems -

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Writing in English since 1990 got prize for the poem - 'politicians -Satire' in My popular poems are 'Autumn came, City, Lonely leaf and bonsai'

# **Abused Child**

Childhood itself Big wound!

Wound covers Slap of a father, Bite of a sibling, Curse of a mother, and finally treacherous teacher!

My childhood crawled under serpent-hood!

No joyful moments Only scars registered in the soul!

Childhood swayed by youth, Enthusiastic path to new strength, Childhood mistakes haunted the youth, Irritable emotion creates wrath! As there is no ray of hope, Youth led to astray Trapped in easy money! Fighting with peers for livelihood, Waiting for love at neighbourhood, Dreaming to become rich, Struggling inch by inch, facing crunch after crunch, Dreams shattered and happiness slashed Stood on the fate's pedestal! Unknown mistake finally pushed me to jail!

Justice delayed, Life is under trial Wounds mounting Time never heals all injuries Time intensifies wounds Wound ..... Wound.. Wound comes round and round Life has no re- wind! Life sinks in dark abyss

# An 'Ode' To Village

The soil of the village touched my soul with ancient scent!

In the center of village there is a temple enveloped by flowers of purple, with ample fragrance

Besides temple, a lake stirred by silent ripple

In the temple there is a chariot in which lies god's portrait!

Festival season bestows chariot to streets!

Chariot with might thread treads into streets with sandal fragrance and pious caravan in the early dawn

Green plants in the fields bowed heads with their booty likes brides shows their shy beauty!

The school still echoes village teacher murmurs,

In the night village withdrew

into silence under sky's stillness stars hanging from invisible black tree like pearls thrown by naughty moon!

Village is an 'ode' in the god's abode

### Autumn Came

By ripping cheeks, with cold breeze, with twitter of sparrows, Autumn came!

Autumn came to cover shivering earth with colorful leaves carpet!

Autumn floats like sun's epitaph

Autumn echoed like farewell song of birds in the evening!

Autumn touches the breath of last leaves on the verge of falling with warmth!

Autumn challenges the confidence of the tree who hides buds in the heart

## **Beyond Borders**

O human! You grabbed the earth You spoiled the mirth You created the walls You marked the borders You named the the countries You beget wars You are living with Scars!

But

Beyond borders Souls are bind by universal humanity

Beyond borders All Languages are merging in the Language of love

Beyond borders All hearts are vibrating with the same symphony

Beyond borders Name, form, cast and creed are lost In the single soul of universal consciousness

O human! Why becoming narrow? Why not invite vibrant peaceful tomorrow?

After all All are drops of same ocean All are petals of same peace flower Let's create new peaceful narration!

# **Beyond Duality**

I need two eyes to wait patiently, I need two lips to transfer the nectar of love,

I need two hands to encircle me with compassion,

I need two ears to hear the song of heart,

I need two moments to become un dual and ecstasy

#### **Bonsai-Feminist Poem**

#### Bonsai

I wore Your surname, Your semen, Your soul, Became wearied 'Wife of"

Myself crucified on the cross of Relationship!

I am a broken heart Behind the 'veil'!

I am like a colourful fish In the Aquarium!

I am like 'Bonsai' For which main root Cutted beautifully Kept in the decorated pot!

Name sake freedom Always available to me! But still to be roamed In the cultural boundaries! born in chains, always in chains

I am a Woman! 'Woe'+ 'Man' = 'Woman'

# Booze

It's end recurring rupture!

wine flowing through veins with out reins!

cold wine becoming cocktail with my tears!

It's hangover cruel fate's hover! Everything over!

I can't face reality Desire 'Dinosaur' surfaces again!

Gone back to bottle It's inner battle with my self continues...

glass laughs like chorus to my melencholic melody...

# City

City

Plastic flowers Lipstick lovers Replica races, Lip service glitters!

City is a 'concrete' jungle Where mass will not mingle!

City is so selfish you will be like fish without water

City always runs for money Never finds time to enjoy nature's honey

City fixes price on every thing Crux is to make profit on every thing.

City is cultural interference City's life is social indifference

It's pity Village trying to imitate city This is my final inference

## Classmates

#### Classmates'

Once upon a time We as friends... Shared the same school! We played together We swam together We sang together Joined chorus, core to heart

#### Now

Some moved west Some caught in the family nest Some lost in the letters crest Some met near lagoons Like 'once in a blue moon! ' Leading to stumbling trust!

Now.... Everything became Golden drops in memory Twinkling on the Sands of Time!

# Dawn

#### It's dawn!

Dreams on the verge of becoming reality dissolved in the first ray of sun,

Sun, above sea shining like red hologram sun, creating master piece with his ray brushes by painting distant horizons

Morning breeze blowing with its sweet chirping birds, World is awakening with rejuvenated consciousness

Man becoming mystic at this transcending moment

# Diary Of A Convent School Boy

The diary of a convent boy

The boy wakes up Before cock coos!

Boy's enjoyment of butterflies blocked by bundle of books

At 9 am:

He will take seat in Auto-rickhaw like a bird with broken wings, leaving sparrows at home!

In the school, He listens maths, science, english and geography! No room for Music, poetry and drawing!

Evening He has to run for ranks, leaving river banks alone, Development of intuition impeded as he has to go to 'tuition'

At night, His dreams of flying flowers, Shades of rainbows are stumbled as boy's Daily progress review by Adults is going on.....

### Elections

#### Elections came

Again Elections! Candidates came Different parties, Different colors, Different voices, Different gifts, But with same promise, "Heaven on the earth"

"Hand "promises subsidies Completely occupied with collections People became '\*nirvikara 'Saakshi\*'! Supported 'Rama linga' Govinda! Govinda!

Yellow promises free power Because there is no supply! Yellow remembers 'NTR' Ready to do anything for cheating the poor!

Pink promises separate telangana Actually seeks 'adhikara khajana'

Mega star Paper Tiger Pulled by family strings! Hungry for power, Road show cover, Spontaneous script, Real life misfit Promising 'Social justice' Without economic justice Trying to climb power-ladder Keeping the base in the sky!

So Called Red party Conveniently merged in the yellow Making people color blind Failed to bind people!

Voter What you do in the confused scenario You are already disillusioned with leaders With their crocodile tears Only alternative is to choose Less corrupted devil amongst all those power-hungry devils jungle Because ballet is powerful than bullet!

'\*Nirvikara saakshi \* - un affected witness

### Encounter

When I encountered death, 'Ego' Evapourated! Finally Death delivered final verdict! All pain for power became in vain I am absolutely alone at the feeble moment of death! Nobody is following when I left the 'body'! All fame gone to flames! All friends are shedding crocodile tears at my home! Is it my home? All magazines are busy in filling 'obituary column' wishing my soul rest in 'peace' They don't have idea of soul but still wishing rest to it! I became ruthless for being rich, accumulated much wealth, in process of getting it lost my health finally emptied by death's wrath! Vanity vanished by death's vicinity I concurred with death Confessed before death Death smiles at me said 'Don't worry i will give new life with better vision'

# **Eternal Quest**

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Just I wish to relax on galaxy of stars! Earth shines like 'hologram' on the canvass of universe surrounded by emptiness Mind filled by meta physical emptiness All arts are ample but failed to fill the emptiness as life is a random sample Still my eternal quest for happiness is going on....

# Fading Art

Fading Art

She is candid She is timid She is placid Her memory is still vivid She makes me morbid Time swept all her memories But heart captures moments those became fading art on the canvass of time Heart understands now Memories are sweeter than actual merger

# **Forgotten Past**

The memory of swimming in the pool with the pollen of Lotus flowers is still fresh! Also chanting poems of mine under full moon light and your delight,

Now you have grownup, Money became motivation, Life became wealth narration. Sounds of currency coins thrills you. How sound of 'tabala' touches you?

You deserted flowers and rainbows and started using smile economically! Your ecstasy eclipsed by Earning!

I hope you remember past in the amidst of your affairs

Please wakeup before 'feeling' sinks in the sands of rich!

\* tabala- kind of musical instrument

## Frozen Moment

Frozen Moment

Gentle dewdrops gliding on lotus leaf, Earth smiles with pearl lips when sun shines waves are gushed to kiss thirsting banks, Butterfly boozes the nectar of flower Birds chanting eternal song in the lap of the tree This is present Pleasant melody of nature Oh! Time stop Let this moment be freezed.

# God Is In Neighbour's Abode

#### God

Worshipping the rock with blocked humanity

Pouring currency in the 'hundi' With tax evaded money,

Bargaining with God for momentary gain!

Praising pseudo gods, Dipping in so called holy Waters, Dwelling in the superstitions

All meaning less activities Thy name is 'Bhakti'

Confining god to four walls Though existence is infinite!

You fixed a frame to god Though god available in endless shapes!

God may be unknown But neighbor's pain is known!

God is a concept Humanity is the existence Existence is the only Essence Essence is the essential fragrance Flows forever in the eternal

# How?

How?

Sorrow serpent crawls in the depths of the soul

Mirth became mirage in the life cage

Mind oscillates between Vacillation and vacation.

Mind bends towards dreams Shattered dreams put me to screams

How can I write poetry on sunshine? when four year boy quivers in the cold While cleaning cups.

How can I write poetry on petals of rose? when cheeks of prostitute crimpled by cruel man!

How can write poetry on the child? When childhood wounded by Unbound discipline

How can I write the song of sparrows? when arrows of injustice passes through my marrow !

How? How? How?

# Journey Unknown

His autograph became photograph He is no more! He sheds dreams, desires, tears, witty murmurs!

when flames are fading his memories binding the mind! in the path of fragrant flowers, suddenly one day what happened? why his half-opened book slipped from his hand? Why walking legs are clogged? why breath blocked? why flower cowered in the dusk? why autumn laughed at spring? why answer less questions freezed in the unknown terrain? why life became death?

#### Law, Law, Law

Law

Law rules the poor, Rich rules the law, Every law has flaw On poor, it is rich man's paw, Cases are adjourned Witnesses are manipulated, Justice may be delayed, But Lawyers are survived! Rich man predicts verdict Poor man fails to detect Law veiled by black coat Penal code brooded in the court Law, Law, Law still it is raw Still might is right

# Life As Is

Life

You have to be agile, Though you live in castle Because life is fragile! Inhale the fragrance of life Before life sinks in dusk!

From dawn to dusk Life is long yawn!

Past, present, future Nothing but mind's perception Ecstasy's Exception!

Life is full of questions Never reaching the state Where questions are not questioned!

Life is a not a concept, We have to accept, Not a precept, Just apt to enjoyment!

Life is a flow glows in the eternity

Life is a river, Continuous Endeavour Towards peace flavor, Slipped from the verge of logic, Finally merges in the In the Timeless savor sea !

# Lonely Leaf

Lonely leaf trembles at the feeble moment

It's on the verge of falling It's about to merge with limitless nature!

Air is guest to leaf once now will become constant companion

Bond with tree soon will be abandoned

The moment came parting is always pain fighting against time is invain finally tree says farewell to the leaf

Now leaf realises boundless 'freedom' It's floating like free bird It is 'gone with the wind'

Leaf lost it's green colour wearing pale colour Colour hardly matters! Leaf sings song of freedom

Bond with tree is bound Feeling freedom is ecstasy abound

# Made In India

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They stirred the smart children to get ranks, to fill banks, to join money race, to forget humanity trace!

Children are grown up

They don't inhale petals of rose spends nights with heavy booze

They don't see sunrise, their elbows raise with sensex raise, Least bothered about 'East', tries to settle in the west, They don't salute to 'National Flag', Always surrenders to 'Statue of Liberty', They have dollar dreams, underneath indian screams, we are indian, Mera Bharat Mahan!

#### Modern Man

I was trapped in sensex forgot to enjoy sex!

walking under Moon shine became 'once in a blue moon'

It's million dollar question whether I am slave to technology or technology is slave to me!

I have never seen greeny tree but involved in 'greedy business '!

Long back I smiled even smile will be utilised in a calculated manner for useful customers!

Sunset and moon rise are happening while I am busy with booze

Some times I need Moon, stars, planets etc That's why In my room I am sleeping under 'florescent paper sky' while real sky closed behind the window!

## Mother

Mother of Seven Children

She, Mother of Seven Children, For them, Created heaven once she created shelter Now her dreams shattered She is selfless for serving little souls

Now she is shared by seven,

Like time changed seasons She changed homes

She stayed Some times at Big son's home, Some times at Last son's home, Some times at middle son's home but not to meddle with their affairs! In-laws became outlaws

She lost her husband, With whom the pleasure abound, Old age became cage She occasionally slips to his memory fails to bear daily dreary!

She still feels they are children in her nap fails to understand generation gap

She is the mute witness to the sons' ingratitude, Succumbed to cruel fate!

They think mother is burden, looks calendar to push her to rotation! She is the Mother Still feels little souls in her nap!

She never speaks ill of her children, mother of strong will, believes in love!

She thanks god for not keeping her in old age-home

Mother forgives though son not forbears

She is waiting for her day, Time-wheel is going on.....

# Musings

#### Musings

Heaps of words failed to reap feeling in my heart!

Invisible pain invincibly penetrating through vein, expressing it through language became invain

Melancholy defeats the mundane language

Silence is the only language of heart Be silent is the only art

Life fades in the shades of time

As time passes, Mind bypasses all miseries

Nature rolls on the wheel of time Seasons changes without reason

Life flows under the guidance of eternal compass

## Omkareswara

"Omkareswar"

"Narmada " filled with serene waves, flowing eternally, chanting "Om"!

Narmada, Drawn people To dip in it To dwell in pious thoughts In the early dawn!

On the banks of Narmada Juxtaposed by Jyotirlingam "Omkareswar"!

Traveling towards Lord Shiva, by passing through curves, with sensuous nerves, into the hearts of the hills, creates transcending experience!

Upon reaching the shiva, People pouring sacred water, putting sacred leaves, putting sanguine flowers on lingam, worshipping with devotion! Temple echoing eternal "Om"

People returning from the temple Failed to notice the existence Of shiva in the heart of the "beggar"! resides besides the temple.

# **Only For You**

Sky filled with stars Tree filled with flowers Ocean filled with waves Mind filled with dreams but my heart filled with 'You' only Heart is for you only

## **Please Heed**

In the clutter of multitasking fury Why you worry? Your beloved prepared lovely curry Eat, drink and be merry! Please heed!

There is time for work There is also time for wine Don't break your spine, Till hill-size hard work leads to ill! There is money for your need Don't brood too much on your greed `Sensex' is not the seed Please heed

Livelihood It should not become serpent's hood on the your happy mood Please heed

Live in present Only present is pleasant Past and future are tricky friends, Makes worry wounds, Every printed word need not lead to right deed Go where heart shows the way Feel it's gay Please heed

## **Politicians-Satire**

Politicians - Satire

They preach democracy, They practice hypocrisy, They don't have veracity, They don't feel its necessity, They know public memory is short, That's why they make promises of that sort, Before elections they are sycophants, After elections they are psychopaths, Before elections their job is explanation After elections they will be busy in exploitation

-Veereswara Rao

## Post Man

Post man

At 1.00 P.M,

Every day he comes, with his magic bag, nothing but hidden globe!

No matter whether it rains, or sun is shining, or soul is shivering, delivering letters matters to him!

He brings smiles on un-employee, tickles women's heart by giving love letter, paves the path to old man by giving pension letter, brings money to students for him no time enjoy nature's honey

He conquered all directions though address is wrong letter reaches destined land through his hand!

All eyes are waiting for him no eye is enquiring for him!

All are danced with pleasure by hearing 'post' no one bothered when he coughs with out leisure!

He leaves the street like lone ship leaves the shore!

## **Prophet Parrot -Astrologer**

The Prophet- Parrot Astrologer

Under a banyan tree A parrot-astrologer sits, The parrot spills the future Of the curious pedestrians Showering future delights, Though her rapture ruptured in the bondage of the cage.

For astrologer parrot is livelihood Parrot's portrait is wounded childhood.

Parrot, comes out from cage Like a well-established prophet Takes a deep gaze, Shuffles differently painted cards, Randomly picks up one, Strolls back to cage as usual.

For some, it promises promotion For some, it promises wedding bells For some, it promises the return Of a child staying abroad long since.

At the dusk fall,

The astrologer thanks, feeds the parrot, He repeats one question every night. About the whereabouts of his missing son Parrot displays a safe card with its beak.

The same question The same reply every night, Time passes by Astrologer's son fails to return. To keep every one in a happy mood The parrot never predicts evil; Its own master's son got drowned In the ditch by an unexpected slip Though aware, the parrot instills hope To see his master always cheerful.

## Rain

Rain, Rain, feeds drain, pushes me to run, to catch the train, but in vain train left the station,

On the cheeks of young girl, rain shower, makes pearls hover!

Rain Rain Quenches thirsty earth Trees dances happily with heavy branches wears silver lining flowers in their heads!

Rain murmurs happily in the heart of the farmer

Alas! it flows to the place of lower washes away all huts, merges with their tears!

Rain, Rain, comes as uninvited guest makes feast to the most!

Rain rapture refrain, in eternal caravan!

## Rainbow

#### Rainbow

I raised the elbow I have seen the rainbow It is the celebration of sky My heart vibrates with joy Rainbow happens on special moment Busy life misses it in the speed movement Waiting for rainbow, In the raindrops Meadow, Sky is not showing grace Rainbow is not in trace

Rainbow with seven colors, Appears to my beloved, stays somewhere, melts in the infinite sky! Heart felts it's gay Rainbow is not mirage It leaves image in my soul!

## **Ray Of Hope**

Ray of Hope

An unknown pain creeping in the heart, Uncertainty rolling in whirled thoughts, Inner voice creating life's dull note Mind suffocates in the past shadows, Dreams haunting me in the isle, All abandoned me for a while, Mind oscillating between Illusion and illumination! Becoming alone, Losing faith, Future proceeds into blurred vision It's a Life's sad narration!

Under the rock, Nature shows the small green leaf to evade my grief Streaks ray of hope

## Soldier's Wife

Soldier's Wife

She is waiting, Waiting with eyes filled with dreams, Reciting his heroic deeds, In the deep woods!

He has full vigor, Gone to the war, With lion' roar!

Seasons have changed Spring became autumn But no sign of his return

His horse came without him Remorse gushed in her heart

He is no more! His absence became her life's core

Unable to bear sorrow-ocean She decided to commit suicide On his beside!

From tomb, Her hero reminded her His memory in her `womb'

She realized her purpose She knows Making child as soldier is a pain But she did so that realm regains again

# Solitude

#### Solitude

I am alone when single star shines in the sky!

Being alone becoming soul's clone is a feeble atone!

Thought waves whirled in the mind ocean

Past casting shadow on my Soul!

Solitude necessary to reach heart's altitude in fortitude

Being aloof Enjoying rapture roof Is ecstasy 's proof

Solitude Shuns activity Sprouts creativity

Solitude is soul's 'solo' Without it heart is hollow

# Symphony

#### Symphony

Real life is not like reel life In reel life script is ready

In real life script changes on the sets of nature In reel life you know when character exits

In real life you don't know when character changes shapes like chameleon!

Real life guided by divine script Character can be dropped by invisible If he don't follow script,

Real life Traverses from known to unknown, Becomes mysterious in which lies harmony makes eternal Symphony

# Try Again

Try Again

There is no gain, without pain, No pain is invain,

Don't refrain from life's strain, through life span, till you get gain, That's why try again with vision, Surely dusk will become dawn!

### Waiting For Her

I am mute till her song, entered my flute, I played notes of beauty, she absorbed in her booty!

She left the shore her song receded in the shell

She left her foot-prints in the sands of sunguine heart!

Her mockery became green memory my smile became futile in her presence! but essence to me

I am waiting for her perpetually, passionately, and profoundly

A plea to stars to lie on her earth and some to decorate her dark, curly, dense hair hovering in eternal ether!

Moon shine became pale as her body glistens Mirth melody flowing from my flute started at my heart traversing, traversing, traversing, crossing trees, rivers, plateaus, Mountains, Oceans, to reach her heart!

I am waiting for her heart's rare echo relentlessly

## When Sun Peeps

When sun peeps thru heaps of clouds Lotuses blossoms with ray beams East horizon echoes with bird chirpings World awakens thru divine melodies

When sun peeps thru window Dreams dissolved in the eyelid Dew drops dances on the meadow Morbid moods became placid!

When sun peeps thru curtain Kissed the rosy cheeks of virgin Raised the emotives of unknown origin Created the beauty illumination

When sun peeps thru hut Melted the life of rut Created new life of gut Transcends the life of hurt!

### Whore

Curly hair, Lipstic lips, rosy cheeks, beautiful, outside every thing beautiful, nobody ventures to see inside, bothering about her is rare! they labled her 'Whore' She was suppressed since her virginity blossomed In the flesh trade bodies are displayed to lustful customers !

Customer came Doors closed Inhaled the artficial scent Sharing bed with him like sleeping with serpent pounced suddenly on her never touched the scars on her soul!

Night passes.. but not created memories glass-eyes can not paint vibrant pictures

same story A dreary tale of woe! Again Dawn petals fallen!

Again dusk brisk demand for amended beauties!

Lights glow Searching customers continues.. Tears sinks in stitched blanket! Life fades Again Dawn! Life is always in chains! No friction No reaction No emotion Whore becomes unending mourning pawn.

## Winter.. Winter

Oh ... Winter

Summer slips into Chilled winter!

Cold breeze Covering earth with Last leaves!

Trees are creating visual feast With garlands of dewdrops! Its long night Overlapped the day light! An unknown longing allures me To run an 'affair' Embracing her Reinforcing my rhapsody Under the blanket!

Alas!

This phase too soon shall pass! Time is changing seasons Like beautiful girl changes sarees!

## Work -Never Ending Luck

Stone converted to sculpture By series of strokes!

Bamboo converted to flute By series of holes!

Seed soared into tree By series of hurdles!

Man became success By series of trials!

Even hen will not enter the mouth of the lion If lion sits idle in the den!

Yes! Only doing is "having"

Doing rings bells

Bouncing back produces booty!

## Wounded Woods

In the woods Sun shivers, Pollen air polluted by gun powder fumes! Trees bathes in blood pools **Rivers** retreats with repeated threats Eyes waiting for father legs walking for brother search is going on... Sorrow ocean soars in eyes by sudden roar of the gun! Chirping birds in wood gripped in haunting hound Between two parties Firing goes on Death dances on scramble sky When woods withdrew in to silence? No compromise only sudden demise Ban may come and go pain and slain always go Peace suffocates on the trigger of the gun Cries in wood became cries of wilderness Peace is the eternal echo of the wood but here peace became rest between two wars!

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