02 Beshot Khullar Do Saam Naaspati Paomin

Pear Story As Told By Beshot Khullar

v2016-06-28 This is a retelling of the Pear Story, which can be viewed at https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=bRNSTxTpG7U>. The narrator is Beshot Khullar of Phaidaam village. It was recorded in Chennai in 2007. It was transcribed and translated with the assistance of Sumshot Khular, Rex Khullar, and Harimohon Thounaojam.

1 nii khat va , mii paa khat'a , one day there was a man

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² thei hai klin paa bul khat kchei'i , arlei'i don da , hang kal da , mango very big foot one it bears those ladder he leaned it against he climbed up

He leaned the ladder against the foot of a big fruit tree. He climbed up.

3 myao slii laan'i , mii paa khat nool ruk'a ngi , keel paa khat ptxhi da continuing to pluck while a man at the same time a male goat he was leading arvaa nool da , he was coming at that time

While he was continuing to pluck, another man came leading a billy-goat.

4 hang da , yao da aryung txum da , he climbed up he plucked he came down

He would climb up, pluck [pears] and then come down.

5 mpooi thung'i aryun sin da his belly inside he brought them

He brought (the pears) down in his belly [pocket of his apron].

6 mboor thung'i prtee da ,
his basket inside collected

He put (the pears) into his basket.

kdim kang'i mthiik laan'i nao khat saikal leen'i k'am ava ngi arvaa da fully he placed them while cycle being on he came who came young one

While he was filling his basket, there was a young boy who came by on his bicycle.

8 ding bul ava k'k'ong daat thei hai mdo dee pok chang ptlaak da tree base that sitting mango which he saw many he craved them

He craved the many pears that he saw.

m'ma ngi krlou da boor saikal leen'i daal da mvan thungbi ava when leaving basket [bi]cycle he put it when he went he that on

As he went he put the basket onto his bicycle.

10 nao luung chaai kdum skuul tha krvaa cha rek ava tu ngi children three to school as they were coming with them mdo hur krthoong lam da mthungbi ngu snung ki thei hai they dashed against each other aforementioned which he brought [t]hen mango lei pthi lam da mkheng ava dulti tha all of those they scattered on the ground

As three children were on their way to school, they bumped into each other and all the previously mentioned pears that he had brought scattered onto the ground.

11 mthungbi ren'i arvang krheel lam da
then once again they returned

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nao luung'a ktxhaa deek'i chom pik lam thi da
children nicely they helped him collect

The children helped him pick them all up.

13 khat ren'i daal nool da mvan thungbi putting also when he went once again He put (the basket) back once again and when he went on his way, vang bong thi da ngi ma ki mlikin ava mbuu after he was going for a while his cloth that scarf After going for a while, his cloth, [that is,] his scarf... 15 huui dum lam da oon lam da hei thee pik lam da they said to him helpfully they whistled they called They whistled to him, they called him and told him [about the scarf he had dropped]. mthungbi m'ma ruk va ngi thei hai ava khat ter-ter'i pii lam da then he too each one gave them then mango that Then he gave them one fruit each. vang lam da arlaan'i mii paa va msut thungbi ngi thei hai kyao aryung txum da went at that time mango plucking that man coming down when looking While they are going, the man plucking the (pears) climbs down and looks (at the baskets). 18 mboor khat kho'a kdim'i k'am daat one of his baskets this one being full it was One of those baskets was there, still full. pdainu khat'a ktaak paa mthungbi ngi kdung'i mplung yaa da that one lack then he was worried but very But when he saw that one (of his baskets) was not there, he was very worried. 20

And finding no way to explain this, he turned back [to what he was doing].

anto ngi

in that way

arvang krheel cha da

returned

k'am

it was

ktaak'i

not being there

mdo thee na

in order to explain