

MOTHER'S AGENDA

July 8, 1970

(Mother looks tired. Her face is still swollen.)

Difficult moments ...

*(long contemplation
till the end)*

Do you have anything to ask?... *(To Sujata:)* And you?

You know, Mother, it's very strange, three nights in a row, I dreamed of you and of food.

Did you feed me?

I fed you, or else I looked for food, or I prepared some.

How did you feed me?... Did you give me things to eat? Or you fed me like a baby?!

No, the first time, you were lying down, thirsty, there were many people and no one did anything....

(Mother nods her head)

And I told someone to go and get some pomegranate juice....¹

*(Mother smiles
and plunges in again)*



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Someone sent me a letter on the body's transformation, if you are interested.

1. The pomegranate tree is the symbol of Divine Love; Mother called the fruit "Divine Love Spreading over the World."

Let's see....

It seems that a Tamil yogi [Swami Ramalingam] of this region, who lived around 1850, had experiences, which he described in a poem and appear rather connected.... Experiences of the transformation of the skeleton, bones, etc. It's a Tamilian who sent me this letter, asking me to put the question to you.

All right.

"The Mother may throw light on the nature and extent of the transformation the Swami had in the last part of his life. The Swami often declared affirming the transformation and deathlessness of his body by the power of what he calls 'Arut Perum Joti,' the infinite or vast Grace-Light of the Divine. He also made the forecast and promise around the year 1870, that the supreme Divine would come soon to the earth for establishing his direct rule of Grace-Light (which the Swami also called as the Truth-Light) when a new race of people would arise defying disease, ageing and death...."¹

It's interesting.

Then here is the text of this sage, translated from the Tamil:

*Extract from "Joti Agaval"
(Swami Ramalingam's poem, verses 725-740)*

"O my unique Love which sprang from my heart and filled it so much that it made my life blossom. O my Lord of unique Love who has given himself to me wholly and by the Grace-Light has transmuted me. My Love that has entered and unified with me in my heart, so as to transform my body into a golden body. The skin has become supple, the influx of the nervous current all over the body is vibrating, with pauses in between; the bones have become pliable and plastic in their nature; the soft muscles have become truly loosened; the blood has become condensed within; the

1. Original English.

semen has become concentrated into a single drop and confined in the chest; the petals of the brain¹ have blossomed or expanded; amrita [nectar of immortality] is welling up into springs all over the body and filling it up; the luminous forehead perspires; the luminous face brightens up; the breath full of peace becomes cool and refreshing; the inner smile beams up; the hair stands on end; tears of joy flow down towards the feet; the mouth vibrates into the passionate calling [of the Divine]; the ear tubes ring with the sense of musically humming sound; the body has become cool; the soft chest moves; the hands join [as in prayer]; the legs revolve or spin round; the mind melts sweetly, the intelligence becomes full of light; the will becomes full of joy and harmony; the individuality has enlarged itself everywhere; the heart has blossomed into the universality of feeling so as to be felt by the world outwardly; the whole knowledge-body has become blissful; even the spiritual egoism of the senses has gone away; the senses (tattva) have been replaced wholly by the truth (sattva), the truth-principle or truth-substance which alone prevails now uniquely; attachment to objects of the senses and to things of the world has dissolved away, and only the aspiration and will towards the illimitable Grace grows and intensifies."²

And how long did he live like this?

It seems it happened the him towards the end of his life, and I think it must have lasted for a few years.... He said he would "return."³

1870?

Yes, he was born in 1823 and died in 1874.

He died two years after Sri Aurobindo's birth.

(long silence)

1. In traditional Indian experience, the centers of consciousness or *chakras* are compared to lotuses whose petals open or close.

2. This translation of the original Tamil text into English (with minor editing here) probably gives only a very rough idea of the experience.

3. "The Swami dematerialized his body in January or February 1874, leaving a promise that he would return at the time of the God of the vast Grace-Light."

What did he say about the legs? I didn't understand.

He says that the bones have become supple.... "The body has become cool; the soft chest moves; the hands join as in prayer; the legs revolve or spin round...." Which means, I suppose, that the legs can move in every direction, since the bones have become "pliable."

(long silence)

How many experiences of this kind people had without anyone to note them....

But you often wondered about the skeleton, in fact, you asked how it could change.

In my case too.

Here, he says it becomes plastic, supple.

But then, how can he keep standing?

Through this "condensation" ... Is it because of this condensation of the blood he mentions?

What could that be?

I don't know what that condensation of the blood is.... But there is one thing I haven't heard you mention and which Sri Aurobindo often refers to (in the Supramental Manifestation, for instance), that's the transformation of organs through the chakras, through the energy of the centers of consciousness. You very rarely mention the chakras or the role of the chakras.... Couldn't one conceive that these centers of energy may provide the body with a framework strong enough for it to stand?

(after a long silence)

This "rising of the kundalini," I had it in ... I was still in Paris. It was before I came to India. I had read Vivekananda's books about it.... And when the Force rose, it emerged from the head through here (*gesture at the top of the head*); the [classic] experience was never described in that way. The Force came out and the consciousness