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## Do Things Here and Now

Postponing the doing of work till another time is bad in most cases, because the time that has passed will never come back again and there is a possibility that the work may not at last be done at all. Procrastination which is a better word for postponement of execution of our good plans proves very detrimental to success. We should seize the time by the forelock, lest the opportunity be lost and we may have to repent over the loss. What is to be done today must be done today, because if we procrastinate and postpone the execution of our plans till another time, there is every possibility that we may not remain alive to execute them at all. But here we may have to strike a note of warning. Procrastination is bad if we postpone the execution of good things. But we must procrastinate over things that are not beneficial. At the time of death Ravana told Lakshmana that postponing doing a good thing till another time is bad but postponing doing a bad thing is good. Ravana said that he planned to erect stairs upto heaven. But he postponed doing it several times. It was a good plan but he procrastinated. The result was that he was dying and the work remained unstarted. On the contrary, he incurred enmity with Ram and he hurried to take it to the concluding stage. The result was his death. Therefore, the motto is that one should never postpone doing right things, but should postpone and postpone indefinitely doing bad things.

In our epics it has been taught at places more than one that one should not postpone things even for a moment. At some places they go to the extent of even saying that if you postpone a thing till tomorrow, it means that you have postponed thing till death. We would say that this is a very high statement to brood over.

Seize the opportunity and make the best of the present. The opportunity is nothing but to do a thing here and now.

Those who do not postpone their homework and finish the day's work before going to bed are always full of confidence.

God of Time is merciful on those who realise that every moment of time is as valuable as every thread of gold, but they also say that time is a cruel rat that slowly cuts the thread of life. Do save time.

As the men of wisdom have said more than once, time and tide wait for none. It is also true that every wave brings with it the energy of the vast ocean; so is the case with time. Every moment is full of the potency of the timeless time.

Those persons who postpone work are often found talking and killing time—mostly over a cup of tea. These persons, infact, are trying to kill time and ultimately time kills them.

The value of time is often realised after the event or after the person concerned has suffered the consequences thereof.

Some persons complain of lack of time or opportunity. But the fact is that everyone has time and opportu-

nities do come in everybody's life. But the idle ones do not make use of them.

Those persons who know and realise the value of time know the importance of doing things in time and on time. It is this class of persons which is able to achieve the goal. Those who do not do so only curse their bad luck and gods of Karma.