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Congratulatory Message

According to the Buddhist tradition, the Dhammacakkappavattana Sutta is the first teaching given by the Buddha after he attained enlightenment. Afterwards, Buddha remained silent for forty-nine days. The Buddha then journeyed from Bodhgaya to Sarnath, a small town near the sacred city of Varanasi Ishipatan in central India.

The Buddha met his five former companions, Kondañña, Assajit, Bhaddiya, Vappa, and Mahānāma, the ascetics with whom he had shared six years of hardship. When upon seeing the radiance of the Buddha, they requested him to teach what he had learned. Thereupon the Buddha gave the teaching that was later recorded as the Dhammacakkappavattana Sutta, which introduces fundamental concepts of Buddhist thought, such as the Middle Way and the **Four Noble Truths**.

The Buddha's teachings or his "Truth" that leads to one's liberation from suffering. The *Dhammacakka*, which can be translated as "**Dhamma-Wheel**," is a Buddhist symbol referring to Buddha's teaching of the path to enlightenment. "*Pavattana*" can be translated as "**Setting in Motion**."

The sutra contains the following topics:

- The two extremes to be avoided (physical indulgence and self-mortification)
- The Middle Way
- The Four Noble Truths
- The Noble Eightfold Path

- The Twelve Insights of the Four Noble Truths
- Proclamation of release from the cycle of rebirth (commonly referred to as nibbana)
- The Opening of the Dhamma Eye (the attainment of right view)

At present, the study and practice of Dhammachakka Pavattana Sutra has started gradually in Bangladesh as well. Earlier only revered monks of any monastery used to recite it, especially on the full Asala Puja Day. Devotee Mithila Chowdhury has been arranging Dhammachakka initiation sutras in various monasteries, villages and halls through her own efforts. Who has made it popular in Bangladesh by publishing leaflets, booklets and distributing them among all. I bless her and her team. I would like to invite all to chant Dhammachackka Pavattana sutta.

“Bhabatu Sabba Mongalom”
May all beings be Happy....