

The First Creation Hymn of Rigveda
Naasadiya Sukta (The Sukta of Non-Existent-Not) (R.V.X.129)
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This is the most revered, exalted and revealing (yet complex) hymn of wonderful 10th Mandala (Book) of Rigveda. This is the first creation hymn of Vedas. Let us taste the first verse of the seven verses of this celebrated hymn to know the beauty of Vedic sounds.

Na Asad Aaseenno Sad Aseet Tadaaneem
Na Aseed Rajo No Vyoma Paro Yat
Kim Aavareevah Kuha Kasya Sharman
Nambhah Kim Aseed Gahanam Gabheeram (R.V.X.129.1)

The approximate translation of this verse and the following six verses is given below which indicates the quantum reality represented and its depth and extent.

1. The non-existent was not there and the existent was not there. Worlds were not there and space, and the above were not there. What was the envelopment ? Where ? was there any support ? was there water – unfathomable and deep ?
2. Neither the death was there nor the deathlessness. There were no signs of day or night. The one breathed without breath, by own impulse. Other than that there was no-thing what so ever.
3. Darkness was covered by darkness at the beginning. There was water in indistinguishable way. The empty-ness, covered by nothing, was created through power of ardour of that One.
4. In the beginning desire arose, which was the first seed of mind. The seers and visionaries having meditated in their hearts have discovered in their wisdom that being came from non-being.
5. A ray stretched out between Being and Non-being. What was above and what was below? Bearers of seed appeared and also their greatness. The seed bearer is above and the greatness is below (creator is above the creation).
6. Who really knows ? who in this world can proclaim it ? when this creation occurred ? From where it came ? Even the Gods came after the creation, so who knows whence it arose ?
7. From where this creation emerged ? Whether One held it firm or not ? HE the over-seer of this, in highest-heaven, HE surely knows – or may be he knows not !

This is the “Naasadiya Sukta” (The Sukta of is and is not) with profound and complex visions and matrix thought rays. At once one can see the quantum nature of the reality. The uncertainty principle, questions as answers to questions, creation of things from no-thing, the concepts pregnant with thousand possibilities, explanation of unexplainable, putting into words the truth beyond words, all these point out to the visions

of highest quality. It is the Inspiration, Intelligence, Intuition and Instinct all melted together in the furnace of Super-Consciousness to perceive the creation process and conceive the language to express it.

This is the Vedic mind capable of inspiring the receivers of this message to wonder and exclaim at the final word “Who knows ? May be He knows ? May be He too does not know !!” You may contemplate on the creation and what is happening right now “Where all this has come from ? Where it is going ? What about us in this metamorphosed world ? !”

Naasadiya Sukta is the mother creation prophesy for all creation theories of world – both spiritual and scientific. See the connection between this seven verse creation with seven day genesis of Bible. See the progress of Being from Non being and things from nothing. Think of seven line opening sura of Holy Koran. Think of number seven. Seven is the number of creation, creativity and harmony in the form of seven colours, seven musical notes, seven days, seven chakras in the human body and seven rishis. How this seven is so prominent even now is revealed by present day writings of “Seven Spiritual Laws”, “Seven Habits” and several other seveners. See also the connection between “Naasadiya Sukta” and the modern scientific prophecies of “Universe is created from No-thing (Universe is a free lunch!), “Creation is from Vacuum”. “First No-thing and there is singularity”. “Time and space started with creation. Before that neither there was time nor there was space”, “Uncertainty principle”, “Black hole theory” and “Big bang theory” and other scientific thoughts and finally all creation prophecies speak the language of Naasadiya Sukta. **Think of the relations among the Vedic people amongst whom were the Noble Prophets of the highest order.**

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