

After Sixty Eight Years Oh My Super Moon !!

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Aww---your brightest face
Smiled at me
You seemed so close
As if I would touch
You if I make a jump dance
So many people were waiting
To have a glimpse of you
To see how would you
Walk ,donning your
Dazzling gold dress
Every one was trying
To catch a scoop full
Of your light
I came to the roof
To have a chit-chat
With you
To share our secrets of
Sixty eight years old
Even after these sixty eight years
You are still young
With your smile
Light twinkling in your eyes
You are the same moon
I met sixty eight years back
The cool and composed
In between these sixty eight years
I looked you from a distance
Sometimes I could see
You clearly, but many times
Half hidden from eyes

Sometimes I wonder
If I am gone from your skies

Let me drink your rays
For one last time
Who knows
When another
Sixty eight years comes

Biography

Born on 26th May 1962 in Odisha, India, Bharati Nayak grew up in Cuttack and graduated from the famous Ravenshaw College. She completed her Masters degree in Political Science from Utkal University, Bhubaneswar. Writing fascinated her from a very young age. She is a bilingual writer and contributed regularly to school magazines. She believes that writing is a powerful medium that can bring about social change. Her poetry has since come of age and has been published in numerous magazines and anthologies of national and international repute. Her Odia writings have been published in *KathaKatha KabitaKabita*, *Pahacha*, *Godhuli* 'Utkal Prasang', *Kavya Loka*, *Barna Bitana* etc. Her English poems have been published in magazines like *Odisha Review*, 'Rock Pebbles' and in Poetry Anthologies like 'Poetry Against Terror', 'Poets Against Inequality', 'By Land By Seas, Poetry for Refugees', 'Voice Without Veils', 'Splash of Verse', 'Pain Pleasure and Paradox in Poetry' and in reputed newspaper 'The Statesman',

Her works—1)-Padma Pada—A collection of devotional poems in Odia language

2) Words Are Such Perfect Traitors---Collection of English poems, published in 2016