

## ‘Creativity and Joy’

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No, he was apparently no big guy;  
Rather appeared to be just a run-of-the-mill fellow  
In a public transport. He had a cloth-bag slung over his shoulder.  
And the bag contained a message, hidden, and quite significant  
Which read --- “Stay calm and love life”.  
Though there was no secret and silent killer in the bus with a hand-held knife!

Back home in the evening on the same day the TV anchor  
Shocked the world by her announcement: UK parliament is terror-struck .....  
Could we still remain mum and merrily calm?  
I remember an Ad on shaving-blade --- so terse, yet so expressive  
“Ruthless on the beard, tender on the skin”!!  
This is just the power of poetry we love so intensely!

The next morning came as usual  
I started loving life more, more amorously,  
Grew enamoured of the elegance of a dancing butterfly,  
The dazzling photo of a danseuse in her own artistic rhythm,-----  
‘Parwati’ ----  
Not with any tinge of horror, violence, vengeance and weapon in hand  
But with joy, love, vibrant mood with gestures and postures arousing eros

And at distance there were -- in the garden -- full-blown roses!!

## Winter(2016), Adieu

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The winter is gone for long and the  
Spring is at the doorstep,  
A cuckoo is cooing quite intensely  
From the branch of a spread-eagled tree very near ----  
Pouring sweet nothings into the ear of  
Its beloved and the dear one.  
So what? A question comes sharp in the mind of the listener  
Why? Why is this shear so painful  
With no cheer in its melodious voice!  
Strange ! Strange indeed !  
The questions chase the poet arousing stream of love,  
With tenderness, warmth of passion.  
Nature creates busy-bees and beauty-queens.  
At the sight of her bare lissom legs  
And the wide valley of her burning thighs  
I was aflame with dire desire;  
And seductions run high with the  
Gurgling, swirling sea-foams from my own self .....

While she grew utterly butterly with  
Hot, molten wax in her fleshy secret V-zone;  
Inviting patrons and regular clients  
And igniting passions— warm and wild !