Research Title: An Analytical Study of the Concept of 'Charity' (Dāna) in Buddhism

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ABSTRACT

Charity is one of the fundamental tenets of Buddhism that is clearly dependent on Buddhist beliefs. In this process of work, the researcher presents the documentary approach to an important Buddhist theme and his attempt is made in this research to understand the Buddhist concept of 'charity' found in the texts and commentaries, to evaluate the practice of 'charity' in Buddhism and to show the usefulness of the Buddhist concept of 'charity' to bring happiness and peace to society. Moreover, the researcher has discovered that much emphasis is laid on the concept and the ultimate goal of 'charity' in Buddhism which is important as it is concerned with the human virtue.