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GOPI TALAB, DWARIKA AND GOPI CHANDAN

Gopi Talab is a lake near Dwarika. The yellow soil here is believed to have divine properties that can cure many diseases, especially those related to skin. People smear this dust on forehead to be blessed with Krishna's love.

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When Krishna was leaving Dwarika, Gopis of Vrindavan came to meet him one last time.

During Raas, Krishna's Srivatsa tilak fell into water and sunk to the bottom. The gopis themselves offered their lives to this soil n merged with Krishna. Since then, soil became fine n yellow.



It is also said that after Kurukshetra war, Arjun developed pride. To end this, Krishna asked him to escort his queens to Bet Dwarka. On the way, he was attacked and defeated by people of Kaba community. The shocked queens jumped and died in this Talab (which became Gopi Talab).



Gopi chandan is applied on the body in twelve places while reciting mantras to Sri Vishnu. This process purifies one's body, designating it as Prabhu's mandir. A person who marks his limbs with gopi-chandana tilaka attains the result of bathing in the Ganga.

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