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Chapter 18 Shloka 44

कृषिगौरक्ष्यवाणिज्यं वैश्यकर्म स्वभावजम् ।
परिचर्यात्मकं कर्म शूद्रस्यापि स्वभावजम् ॥

kr̥ṣi-gau-rakṣya-vāṇijyaṃ
vaiśya-karma svabhāvajam ।
paricaryātmakaṃ karma
śūdrasyāpi svabhāvajam ॥

“Agriculture, animal husbandry and trade – these form the natural activities of a vaiśya. Service to others is the natural pursuit of a śūdra.”

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