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Lakshmichand and Divalibai of Madhumati (Mahuva) had a son whose horoscope revealed that he was going to be either a king or a saint. But because of his father's attachment to him, Nemchandji was not allowed to renounce the world in his youth. But his heart was so set on religion that he ran away from home with his friend Durlabhadas to Bhavnagar. His guru refused to give him diksha

till his parents gave him permission. Afterwards he took Ogho from Ratnavijaymuni and Nemchandji gave himself diksha. The ogho that he was given was actually that of G a c h c h a d h i p a t i Mulchandjisuri. Due to his fearlessness, skillfulness, captivating speech, intelligence, capable leadership and limitless wisdom he became the foremost acharya of his time. His eight disciples also became acharyas. During the famine he encouraged the wealthy to donate



grain. He also renovated and protected many Jain tirths. In that time many kings and officials were impressed by him and became his followers. Not only that but fishermen, taking his advice, took on the path of ahimsa.