

# **Selected Poems**

## **Preface**

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Gulab Khandelwal is a well-known Hindi poet having published over twenty collections of poems in the last three decades. He has now undertaken the translation into English of his own poems written during 1981-82 and published in 1983, under the caption ‘Vyakti Ban Kar Aa’ or “Come before me as a person”.

Translation of poetry from one language to another are seldom able to capture the spirit of the original, but when this is done by the author himself, as happened in the case of Gurudev Ravindranaath Tagore, we can expect a more accurate rendering. In fact Gulab Khandelwal’s poems reminds us of the passages from Tagore, especially where he addresses the divine father with moving sincerity and deep feeling.

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