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### **Dying Sons Of Words**

A new world in a new lights Comity of remarkable men Prowling with swollen faces Bitten by the bees of change.

Conscious of their livid rights Brevity, a precious we must pen Neatness in their various places Stronger with the flew of age

Adieu to the horrible plight Kudos to the possible when Rhymes, author of poetic aces Limiting to draconian range.

Greatly we know thy might All prayers surely await amen Meaningless are rumble races The painting of lustful image.

Proudly we stand as knight By the pen, we fight for our men Not for honour, not for grace We only hone to break the cage.

Invasion, in the dreadful of night By force, they break our hymen But the pen remains our mace A processor always the rage.

The Guardians choose us bright
The honour hoarse our rumen
Dress us in silk rather than lace
But right on light we back on stage.

Though the road come so tight We are scared immortals by pen Ever we live in springs like dace All our dreams written on page. We are the writers of right Masters of the adept-pen The valiant setters' of pace Children of the scribblers' lineage.

### **Hungry Men**

- A: Earth hear the rhythm of my pale voice and bliss my throat with oil.
- B: What more anguish can be devil man than hunger.
- A: Not even a single nut nor a common rice to boil.
- B: Here we are wallowing in the pit of where our necks continue to grow longer.
- C: Are we made for this pungent poverty?
- D: Maybe it's our fate to perish on the other side of life
- C: Can life ever bring to our souls the rims of modesty?
- D: I know it's surely the skies who says we are born to strife.
- E: With our scars, marks and labour; our wage is vapour
- F: Even our lords see us as rats with no right.
- E: Body resisting slumber after a long day of belabour
- F: Yet they extort every of our might.
- G: Trouble thyself not we are born of slavery.
- G: Our hope and ambitions lost from birth in that monastery.

### Look Before You Leap

Your life is awful meaningless And don't try to change my view that Your life is surely meaningful When you firmly observe There's troubles in your everyday Even When purpose come sometimes It whims and caprices don't last And it's not true that It's all in the heart and mind Because True meaning can be attained Only if you're born stinking rich It's not true that meanings exist I'm sure you can agree that The reality Instigate My critical views It's all beyond your control And you'll never in centuries hear me say Your life is really meaningful Now read it from bottom to top, the other way, And see what I really feel about your life.

#### **Soldiers**

My pen let us speak strength To the feeble minds reading Courage to the brave minds At struggles and wars Let us see beyond this walls And sight the plight of the mighty The pains of fathers with no children to take from the warmth of the day. Let kudos the fighters of evil And upholders of Peace Even in the sight of life sucking monsters Our brave and keen guards In the thick forest of Zambisa And those on the borders and loopholes Corners and pass-gates of our city The god guardian that seek Neither our praises nor our pearls The loins dress in Khakis Armoured with the weapon of death To secure and protect lives The true heroes of this era.

### The Scary Street Of Goons

Sangó street is strict Its road are rough Stone-filled with stones Dreadful and pale at night Deadly in all facets Harm to drivers' tyres Troubles to footwagoners Mundane and scary in the mid of darkness Like a desert every where stays in decorum Scorpions and snakes walking gallantly up down the street Appearing dangerous to every man like poison A few notices to the ladies Sangó road closes by six All mother's daughters must be indoor At the set of the sun. Even dem mummy's boy Must not haul our street after seven We've nothing to do with curfew It is the rite of our streets It's the way we are born and bread To always live our nights in fear.