

*A Rhyme by Pandit Vidyasagar of India*

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## *On Govindjee and Photosynthesis*

*“Photosynthesis is a process which gives us food  
Plants perform it easily without being rude  
Carbon di oxide is fixed and oxygen evolved  
How many photons are used the mystery is solved  
Controversy was created when it was said four  
Efforts of Emerson and Govindjee opened the door  
Two photosystems were found and provided the base  
Four photon proposal was proved wrong such was the case  
Eight to twelve quanta are required now it is known  
Researchers brought perspective and mist is blown  
Govindjee dreamt photosynthesis throughout his life  
Rajni contributed as a researcher and as a wife  
Books, articles and lectures, number is large  
Provided to students, support like a barge  
A great orator, teacher and human to the core  
Got many laurels and deserves many more”*