

## FIVE TANKA: R.K. SINGH

1.

The mind creates  
withdrawn to its own pleasures  
a green thought  
behind the banyan tree  
behind the flickering lust

2.

Age seems to stop  
for a while in sexact  
a running horse  
erect and heavenly  
white as a lightning

3.

Their minds  
hallowed in the borrowed sun  
joyous in hate  
celebrate emptiness  
of the pimp's asshole

4.

The lane to temple  
through foul drain, dust and mud:  
black back of Saturn  
in a locked enclosure  
a harassed devotee

5.

Not much fun—  
cold night, asthmatic cough  
and lonely Christmas:  
no quiet place within  
no fresh start for the New Year

### **TEN HAIKU: R.K. SINGH**

1.

Potholes  
spots of sunshine  
wobble

2.

Sudden downpour  
noisy trucks at midnight  
crowded footbridge

3.

Sipping coffee  
at a wayside stall  
cockroaches too

4.

The morning sun  
fondling with tender fingers  
the red roses

5.

Chasing each other  
in the bylane  
two birds

6.

A girl  
between the railway tracks  
swings her pony tail

7.

Softness of wind  
magic in her nearness  
sleight of hand

8.

End of festival:  
I stop by her haiku  
on twitter.com

9.

A teenager  
glides past me on roller blades  
her long hair flows behind

10.

A toddler  
trying to stand up by the pram—  
young mother watches

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