GOPAL WRITES MAHABHARATA

INSTRUCTIVE STORIES BY SRILA PRABHUPADA
There was one Gopal Ban. He was a very cunning fellow in the Mohammedan period in Bengal.
So the Mohammedan Nawab asked him...

Gopal Ban, can you prepare a Mahabharata in my name?
Oh yes! I'll engage so many panditas and they will make a Mahabharata describing your activities, your glories and everything.
So give me one hundred thousand rupees just to begin
Gopal was taking more and more money
When will it be published?
Just a few days more
Then finally the day arrived

Please sit.
Everything is prepared
But one last thing is, you have to give me information about, how many husbands your wife has got?
How many?
What? You nonsense!
No, this is the main feature of the Mahabharata.
Draupadi had five husbands, so how many husbands does your wife have? Tell me that.
The king shouted

I am the only husband!
Then how can I write Mahabharata?
If you want Mahabharata you must tell me how many husbands your wife has.

The king could not say anything. So mahabharata was finished and cunning Gopal ban kept all the money.
MORAL:

So scientists are doing like that. They are taking taxpayer's money, but then in the end they make up some excuse why they couldn't do it. Politicians take votes and make so many promises, but in the end they break all their promises.

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