

## **TIME TO CELEBRATE**

( Kulbhushan Kushal )

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Soft betrayals  
Hard promises

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Simmering smiles  
Boiling loneliness

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Burning springs  
Melancholy winters

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Cursed blessings  
Disguised curses

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Lingering sweet regrets  
Stretching blanks

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Dreams of rocks  
Faces of masks

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Negative affirmations  
Positive denials

These are the times  
To celebrate  
Love turned hatred  
Hatred turned love

These are the times  
To throw  
Stones on the moon  
To leave alone

The glorious sun

These are the times  
To bait sparrows  
With grains  
To release parrots from the nets

These are the times  
To measure  
The potency quotient of our trusts

These are the times  
To sing songs of despair  
Say goodbye to hopes

These are the times  
To parade failures  
And repent for successes

These are the times  
To celebrate  
The death of our friends  
And drink the poison  
For their delight