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तं वेदशास्त्रपरिनिष्ठितशद्धबुद्धि चर्माम्बरं सुरमुनीन्द्रनुतं ज्नान्द्रम् । कृष्णत्विषं कनकपिङ्गजटाकलापं व्यासं नमामि शिरसा तिलकं कवीनाम्।।

(?)

कृष्णद्वैपायनं वन्दे गुरुं वेदमहानिधिम् । येन चरणव्यूहेषु शाखाभेदमितं कृतम् ॥

(३)

पराशरः शापशरस्तथिषः काली सिषेवे भषगर्भयोनिम् । सुतोऽस्य यस्यां सुषुवे महात्मा द्वैपायनो वेदविभागकर्ता ॥

(8)

मैत्रीद्रवान्तःकरणाच् छरण्यं कृपाप्रतिष्ठाकृतसौम्यमूर्तिम् । तथा प्रशान्तं मुदिताप्रतिष्ठं तं भाष्यकृद्-व्यासमुनि नमामि॥

NOTES

(Verses 1-2)

The first is the benedictory verse at the end of the commentary by Mahidāsa on the Caraṇavyūha. The second is the sixth benedictory verse in the begin of the commentary. Since it was Vyāsa who arranged the edas in this manvantara and since all the Vedic recensions were prepared by his direct and indirect disciples, Mahidāsa thought it reasonable to eulogize him in his commentary. For a highly poetical description of the clothes, lustre and the matted hair of Vyāsa, see Kirātārjunīya 3.1-2. Tilaka (a mark made with coloured earths, sandal wood or unguents) suggests the highly venerable position of Vyāsa.

(3)

It is Aśvaghosa's Saundarananda 7.29. The verse refers to the story of the birth of Vyāsa as has been described in Mbh. Ādip. 63. Kālī is Satyavatī, who is also called Gandhakālī, Gandhavatī, Yojanagandhā, Matsyagandhā or Ma bdarī. The incident is referred to in other Puranic works also; see Matsya-p. 14. 14b-16; Vāyu-p. 73; Devibhāgavata II. 1. Vyāsa was called Dvaipāyana since he was born in an island (हैपायनो हीपजन्मा, Sk. Revā. 97.74), more precisely in an island in the river Yamunā (जज्ञे च यमुनाद्वीपे पाराश्ये: स वीर्यवान, Ādi-p. 63.84).2

- 1. It should be noted that the printed reading in the comm. is कृष्णद्विपम् (verse 1, third line) which is manifestly corrupt. It deserves to be corrected to some suitable words like कृष्णत्विषम् and the like.
- 2. The Sans.-Eng.-Tictionary by M. Monier Williams informs us that 'he [Vyāsa] was brought forth by Satyavatī on a dvīpa or island in the Ganges (s. v. Kṛṣṇa, p. 307, col. 1). It is to be noted here that though according to the Mahābhārata and the Devī-bhāgavata (2.2.1-2; 2.2. 36b-37a) the river was Yamunā, yet according to the Skandā-purāṇa (Reva. 97.72) it was Jahnusutā (i. e. the Ganges). The reason for this difference is difficult to find. May we read bhānu for jahnu in the Skandap. 2.

(4)

This is the first benedictory verse in the Bhāsvatī commentary (by Svāmī Hariharānanda Āraṇya) on the scholium on the Yogasūtra. Vyāsa or Vedavyāsa is said to be the author of this scholium. This view is however not accepted by modern critical scholars. Vyāsa is described here as endowed with the three parikarmans (refinining actions), namely maitrī (friendlidess, amity), kṛpā i. e. karuṇā (compassion) and muditā (goodw or reverent gladness); see Yogasūtra 1.33 for the practice of these three actions.

-R. S. Bhattacharya

^{3.} नत्वा पतञ्जलिमृषि वेदन्यासेन भाषिते।
संक्षिप्तस्पष्टबह्वर्था भाष्ये न्याख्या वितन्यते।
(2nd benedictory verse in the comm. Tattvaiśāradī by Vācaspati); वेदन्यासमुनीन्द्रबुद्धिखनितः and सर्ववेद।र्थसारोऽत्र वेदन्यासेन भाषितः(2nd and 3rd benedictory verses in the comm. Yogavārttika by Vijnānabhikṣu); प्रणम्य न्यासं मुनि भाष्यकृतं च भक्त्या (1st benedictory verse in the comm. Maniprabhā by Rāmānanda).

विष्णु-महिमा

यस्त्वेतत् सकलं श्रुणोति पुरुषः कृत्वा मनस्यच्युतं सर्वं सर्वंमयं संमस्तजगतामाधारमात्माश्रयम् । ज्ञानज्ञेयमनादिमन्दरहितं सर्वामराणां हितं स प्राप्नोति न 👯 स्थोऽस्त्यविकलं यद् वाजिमेधे फलम् ॥ ५४॥ यत्रादौ भगवांश्चराचरगुरुर्मध्ये तथान्ते च स ब्रह्मज्ञानमयोऽच्युतोऽखिलजगन्मध्यान्तसर्गप्रभुः तत् सर्वं पुरुषः पवित्रममलं श्रुण्वन् पठन् वाचयन् प्राप्नोत्यस्ति न तत् फलं त्रिभुवनेष्वेकान्तसिद्धिर्हरिः ॥ ५५ ॥ यस्मिन् न्यस्तमितनं याति नरकं स्वर्गेऽपि यच् चिन्तने विघ्नो यत्र निवेशितात्ममनसो ब्राह्मोऽपि लोकोऽल्पकः। मुक्ति चेतिस यः स्थितोऽमलिधयां पुंसां ददात्यव्ययः कि चित्रं यदघं प्रयाति विलयं तत्राच्युते कीर्तिते ॥ ५६ ॥ यज्ञैर्यज्ञविदो यजन्ति सततं यज्ञे किमणो यं वै ब्रह्ममयं परावरमयं ध्यायन्ति च ज्ञानिनः। यं संचिन्त्य न जायते न म्रियते नो वर्धते हीयते नैवासन्न च सद् भवत्यति ततः कि वा हरेः श्रूयताम्।। ५७।। कव्यं यः पितृरूपधृग् विधिहुतं हव्यं च भुङ्क्ते विभु भगवाननादिनिधनः स्वाहास्वधासंज्ञिते । यस्मिन् ब्रह्मणि सर्वशक्तिनिलये मानानि नो मानिनां निष्ठाये प्रभवन्ति हन्ति कलुषं श्रोत्रं स यातो हरिः॥ ५८॥

नान्तोऽस्ति यस्य न च यस्य समुद्भवोऽस्ति वृद्धिर्न यस्य परिणामविर्वाजतस्य । नापक्षयं च समुपैत्यविकारि वस्तु यस्तं नतोऽस्मि पुरुषोत्तममीशमीडचम् ॥ ५९ ॥ तस्यैव योऽनु गुणभुग् बहुधैक एव शुद्धोऽप्यशुद्ध इव भाति हि मूर्तिभेदैः । ज्ञानान्वितः सकलसत्त्वविभूतिकर्ता तस्मै नमोऽस्तु पुरुषाय सदाव्ययाय ॥ ६० ॥

ज्ञानप्रवृत्तिनियमैक्यमयाय पुंसो
भोगप्रदानपटवे त्रिगुणात्मकाय।
अव्याकृताय भवभावनकारणाय
वन्दे स्वरूपभवनाय सदाजराय॥ ६१॥

व्योमानिलाग्निजलभूरचनामयाय शब्दादिभोग्यविषयोपनयक्षमाय । पुंसः समस्तकरणैरुपकास्य व्यक्ताय सूक्ष्मबृहदात्मवते नताऽस्मि ॥ ६२ ॥

इति विविधमजस्य यस्य रूपं
प्रकृतिपरात्ममयं सनातनस्य ।
प्रिवशतु भगवानशेषपुंसां
हरिरपजन्मजरादिकां स सिद्धिम् ।। ६३ ।।
(विष्णुपु० ६।८।५४-६३)

TRANSLATIONS

- (54) He who hears the whole of this Purāṇa meditating on his mind, Acyuta, who is all things and of whom all things are made, who is the stay of the whole universe—the asylum of spirit; who is knowledge and that which is to be known; who is without beginning or end and the benefactor of the celestials—certainly obtains the reward which can be acquired by the uninterrupted celebration of the horse-sacrifice.
- (55) He who recites and retains with faith this Purāṇa in the beginning, middle and end of which is described the glorious Acyuta, the lord of the universe in every stage—the master of all that is stationary or movable composed of spiritual knowledge acquires such purity as exists not in any world the eternal state of perfection which is Hari.
- (56) The man who fixes his mind on Acyuta does not go to hell: he who meditates upon him considers even celestial bliss as an impediment: he, in whose mind he abides, thinks little of the region of Brahma; for when present in the minds of those who are pure,

he bestows upon them eternal freedom. What wonder is there that all sins shall be removed by chanting the name of this Viṣṇu?

- (57) What else should be heard of but that Hari, whom, those devoted to acts worship with sacrifices continually as the god of sacrifice; whom those devoted to meditation contemplate as primary and secondary composed of spirit; by obtaining whom man is not born, nor nourished nor subjugated to death; who is both cause and effect.
- (58) Who as the progenitors receives the libations made to them; who, as the gods, accepts the offerings addressed to them, the glorious being who is without beginning or end; whose name is both Svāhā and Svadhā; who is the asylum of all spiritual power; in whom the limits of finite things cannot be measured, and who, when he enters the ear destroys all sin.
- (59) Salutation unto the first of gods, Purusottama who is without end and beginning, without growth and decay and death, who is substance that knows no change.
- (60) Salutation unto that undecaying Puruṣa Viṣṇu who assumed sensible qualities; who though pure the me as if impure, assuming various shapes, who is gifted with divine wisdom and who is the lord of the preservation of all creatures.
- (61) Salutation unto him who is the instrument of meditative wisdom and active virtue, who confers enjoyments upon human beings; who is identical with three-fold qualities; who is without any changes and is the cause of the evolution of the world and who is without any birth or decay.
- (62) Salutation unto him who is called heaven, air, fire, water, earth and ether; who confers all objects that satisfy sense, who benefits mankind, and who is perceptible, subtle and imperceptible.
- (63) May that unborn eternal Hari, who is seen in manifold forms, whose essence consists of both nature and spirit, confer upon humanity that blessed condition which is without birth or decay*.

^{*} Taken from the prose English translation of Vishnupuranam by Manmatha Nath Dutt, Shastri, M. A., M. R. A. S.

NOTES

- (54) For यद् वाजिमेधे फलम्, cp. Śatapatha-Br. 13.3.1.1 (तरित सर्वं पाप्मानं तरित ब्रह्महत्यां योऽक्वमेधेन यजते). The Jiv. ed. reads अनन्तमाद्यरिहतं in the place of अनादिमन्तरिहतं (in the 3rd foot).
- (55) एकान्तसिद्धि:— एकान्ता सिद्धियंस्य (one whose existence is proved undoubtedly. The third line is read in the Jiv. ed. as तच् श्रुण्वन् पुरुषः पवित्रपरमं भक्त्या पठन् धारयन्. The same edition reads समस्तभुवनेषु in the place of फलं त्रिभुवनेषु (in the 4th foot).
- (56) For the blameworthy charcter of heaven, see the Mahābhārata and Mārkaṇḍeya-purāṇa verses on svargadūṣana, quoted in the Mokṣakalpataru, pp. 79-80. The reason for this character of heaven has been precisely shown in the Purāṇas: अविशुद्धिक्षयाधिक्यदूषणैरेष निन्दित: ॥२४॥ स्वर्गः सदानुश्रविक स्तस्मादेनं न कामये। (Sk. Kumārikā. 10.34b—35a); एवं हि लोकाः क्रतुभिः कृता अभी क्षयिष्णवः सातिशया न निर्मलाः (Bhāgavata p. 7. 7. 40).
- ब्राह्मोऽपि लोकोऽल्—The region of Brahmā, usually called Satyaloka, is capable of being destroyed. Since this region is limited by time, it is subject to return (Vide Gītā 8.17). That is why the highly perfected yogins are said to transcend the Brahmaloka (Yāj. Smṛti. 3 167) For the view expressed in 'मुक्ति चेतिस यः''', see Viṣṇu-p. 5.17.14 (तरत्यविद्यां विततां हृदि यस्मिन् निवेशिते....).
- (57) There is a metrical defect in the third foot. The ninth syllable न which must be laghu has become guru on account of being followed by the conjunct syllable न्नि. The defect may be removed by resorting to the principle यदा तीन्नप्रयत्नेन संयोगादे रगौरवम् । न च्छन्दोभङ् ग इत्याहुस्तदा दोषाय सूरयः ॥ (Sarasvatīkāṇthābharaṇa, ch. I). According to this principle न्नि will be pronounced as मू and consequently it will be regarded as laghu.

For the view expressed in the first foot, see Vis. Pur. 6.4.42 (ऋग्यज: सामभिर्मागें: प्रवृत्तौरिज्यते ह्यसौ । यज्ञेश्वरो यज्ञपुमान् पुरुषे: पुरुषोत्तमः). That para and avara may mean cause and effect may be proved by

Muṇḍaka-up. 2.2.8 (तिस्मिन् दृष्टे परावरे). Saṅkara explains para and avara by cause and effect respectively. In अति ततः, अति means अतिक्रमेण. The Jiv. ed. reads यं च प्राप्य न in the place of यं यं चिन्त्य न (in the third foot).

(58) मानानि = प्रमाणानि; मानिनाम् = प्रमात्णाम्. The inability of pramāṇas in comprehending Brahman or Viṣṇu has been repeatedly stated in the Purāṇas न्मः प्रमाणहूराय (Padma-p. 6. 180. 34).

It is remarkable to note that a few Purāṇas mention the names and number of the pramāṇas: श्रु तिः प्रत्यक्षमैतिह्ममनुमानं चतुष्टयम् । प्रमाणेष्वनवस्थानाद् विकल्पात् स विरच्यते ॥ (Bhāgavata-p. 11.19.17); प्रत्यक्षं चानुमानं च तथाप्तवचनं भवेत् । त्रिभिः प्रमाणैः संयुक्तं तन्त्रं प्रामाण्यमहीति ॥ (Viṣṇu-dharmottara 3. 5. 12); त्रीण्येव हि प्रमाणानि पठितानि सुपण्डितैः । प्रत्यक्षं चानुमानं च शब्दं चैव तृतीयकम् ॥२३। चत्वार्येवेतरे प्राहुरुपमानयुतानि च । अर्थापत्तियुतान्यन्ये पञ्च प्राहुर्महाधियः ॥२४। सप्त पौराणिकाश्चैव प्रवदन्ति मनीषिणः । एतैः प्रमाणैर्द्धेज्ञेयं यद् ब्रह्म परमं च तत् ॥२५। (Devibhāgavata-p. 1.8.23-25). Does the expression पञ्चप्रमाणम् in Vāyu-p. 4.17 and Brahmāṇḍa-p. 1.3.7 refer to a group of five pramāṇas? Santi-p. 56.41 also speaks of pratykṣa, anumāna, aupamya (🍎 upamāna) and āgama.

It is to be known in this connection that the comm. Mānasollāsa on the Daksiṇāmūrtistotra contains the interesting information, 'संभवैतिह्ययुक्तानि तानि पौराणिका जगुः' (2. 18); see also Mānameyodaya: 'पौराणिका स्त्वष्टकमभिद्धिरे संभवैतिह्ययोगात्' (sec. on pramāṇa).

That brahman is sarva-šakti-nilaya is one of the fundamental doctrines of the Vaiṣṇava sects; cp. समस्ताः शक्तयश्चैता नृप यत्र प्रतिष्ठिताः (Viṣ. Pur. 6.7.70). The Jiv. ed. reads प्रभुः in the place of विभुः (in the 1st foot) and संज्ञितम् in the place of संज्ञिते (in the 2nd foot).

(59) The Jiv. ed. reads अविकल्प for अविकारि (in the 3rd foot.) Avikalpa = without vikalpa, doubt. Vikalpa may also mean qualification (višeṣaṇa). An immutable entity must be bereft of all qualities or attributes. We may take vikalpa in the sense of kalpanā (imagination or false knowledge) also. आद्यमीशम् is read (in the 4th foot) in the Jiv. ed. The words samudbhava, vṛddhi,

parināma and apakṣaya refer to the doctrine of ṣaḍbhāvavikāra of the Nirukta (1.3).

- (60) Mark the use of anu in योऽनुगुणभुक् (in the 1st foot). It must be understood as bearing the sense of अनुवर्तते or अनुगच्छति; cp. अतएव च सर्वाण्यनु (Brahmasūtra 4.2.2); तेनात्यन्तिकसंसारदुःखनाशो भवत्यनु (Vivekacūḍāmaṇi, 45). सकलसत्त्वविभूतिकर्ता means सकलसत्त्वानां विस्तारकर्ता (Śridhara). The Jiv. ed. reads भूतिविभागभे in the place of भाति हि मूर्तिभेदै: (in the 2nd foot).
- (6!) स्वरूपभवनाय has a variant स्वरूपमभवाय Śrīdhara observes: स्वरूपमभवायेति पाठे षष्ट्ययर्थे चतुर्थी—अव्याकृतस्य स्वरूपं वन्दे । पूर्वपाठे तु कर्मणि षष्टी, अव्याकृतं वन्दे इत्यर्थः.
- (62) The view expressed in समस्तकरणैरुवकारकाय is most attractively described in Viṣṇu-p. 1.14.35 (गृहीतानिन्द्रियर्थानात्मने यः प्रयच्छति । अन्तःकरणरूपाय तस्मै विश्वात्मने नमः ॥ The Jiv. ed. reads सूक्ष्मविमलाय सदा in the place of सूक्ष्मवृहदात्मवते (in the 4th foot).
- (63) अपजन्मजरादिकां सिद्धिम्—Ancient teachers are fond of mentioning jarā while speaking of mokṣa or duḥkha: जरामरणमोक्षाय मामाश्चित्य यतन्ति ये (Gitā 7.29), तत्र जरामरणकृतं दुःखं प्राप्नोति चेतनः पुरुषः (Sām. Kā. 55), दुःखं जरामरणादिलक्षणमेव (Śaṅkara on Bṛ-Up. 4.4.14), समानं जरामरणादिजं दुःखम् (Sām. Sū. 3.53), जरामरणदुःखयो रत्यन्ताभावोऽपवर्गः (Devala quoted in Mokṣakāṇda, p. 7).

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LOOSE CROSS-REFERENCES AND VOCATIVES : THE CASE OF THE ESCHATOLOGICAL CHAPTERS IN VIȘNUPURĀŅA AND BRAHMAPURĀŅA*1

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When comparing texts and trying to determine their relationship one important criterion are those passages which exist only in one or the other of the compared texts or testimonies. The question is, do we consider those extra lines as interpolations in the one or as abbreviations in the other text.

In many cases one simply cannot tell. In general, the assumption is that the Purāṇic textual tradition has been cumulative, that is to say new material has constantly accrued to it; consequently the longer text will, in general, be the younger text. But there are enough instances of abbreviations or of texts which contain what may be called an excerpt of another text.

One kind of what I would consider the same consider consi

* Abbreviations :

A. or AgP Agnipurāṇa
Br. or BrP Brahmapurāṇa
HV Harivaṁśa
KC Kṛṣṇacarita
Vi. or ViP Viṣṇupurāṇa

1. We apologize for not reproducing diacrical marks in the transliteration of German words [Ed.]

The examples which I propose to analyse concern the relationship of Brahmapurāṇa (BrP) and Viṣṇupurāṇa (ViP). The eschatological chapters are not the only chapters which run parallel in the two texts. And in examining only these I can merely add one more piece of evidence to the analysis of the redaction history of both texts. To be able to determine the exact relationship of these texts is desirable especially in view of the disparate evaluation of the BrP by R. C. Hazra on the one hand and by W. Kirfel on the other. Kirfel and considered the BrP a testimony older than ViP and HV in those chapters which he collated on the topics traditionally referred to as "Purāṇapañcalakṣaṇa". Thus, it seems necessary and profitable also in view of the programmatic value for further research to examine the arguments used by Kirfel.

Kirfel argues (in this case with regard to the KC in BrP and ViP) that the version of BrP is older because it is shorter; he proposes to compare parallel texts verse by verse and to examine whether the additional verses can be explained as more or less mechanical additions (glosses which might originally have been written at the margin a manuscript and were later taken over into the main text). Kirfel argues further with a view to the content of these additional verses: they contain repetitions, outpour, ings of a pious heart, accumulations of epithets, and "characteristic additions", i.e. additions which differ from the characteristics of the text to which they were added.

^{1. &}quot;Beide haben wörtlich den gleichen Text, der jedoch im Visnup. durch im ganzen 162 Verse erweitert worden ist. [Ahnlich verhält es sich mit Visnup. VI. 1-5, die mit Brahmap. 229-233 wörtich übereinstimmen. Diese Kapitel handeln über die vier Zeitalter, den Weltuntergang usw.] Diese Verse stammen deutlich von zweiter Hand und sind hauptsächlich in den ersten Adhyāya's, die die so beliebte Jugendgeschichte Kṛṣṇa's behandeln, einfach eingeschoben worden. Wenn man die beiden Texte Vers für Vers miteinander vergleicht, erkennt man sofort die überzähligen Verse als Zusätze. Sie werden, wie üblich, in alten Handschriften an den Rand notiert und dann beim Abschreiben in den eigentlichen Textbestand aufgenommen worden sein. In diesen 162 Versen wird nun teils manches nochmals und dann schlechter und unbeholfener wiederholt, als es im ursprünglichen

All of these arguments deserve careful examination. It seems to be one of the dangers in Purāṇa research to generalize observations rather too early.

Let me follow Kirfel's advice and compare the parallel chapters on eschatology in ViP and BrP verse by verse, firstly by giving a concordance:

Rr P	
230.1-59	
230,60ab	
230.61	
230.62-77	
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239.78-80	
230.81	
230.82	
_	
231.1-93	
232.1-40	9
233.1-49	
234-1-52ab	
_	
234.52cd-66ab	
_	
234.66cd-75	
	230.1-59 230.60ab 230.61 230.62-77 239.78-80 230.81 230.82 231.1-93 232.1-40 233.1-49 234-1-52ab 234.52cd-66ab

Texte schon gesagt war, teils sind sie Ergüsse eines frommen Gemütes, das sich in einer litaneiartigen Häufung von Epitheta genug zu tun glaubte, teils enthalten sie auch charakteristische Zusätze zum Urtext. [Siehe z. B. Viṣṇup. V. 1.82; vgl. Harivamsa śl. 3268 ff.]. Als Ganzes betrachtet, ist der Text des Brahmap., der in kurzem Auszuge Agnip. Adhy. 12 wiedergegeben wird, also ursprünglicher als der des Viṣṇup., und die Form der Sage ist hier demnach eine āltere..." W. Kirfel: Kṛṣṇa's Jugendgeschichte in den Purāṇa. In: Kleine Schriften, p. 300.

The first chapter presents a description of the conditions in the Kali age. In ViP this occasions the announcement of a report on what Vyāsa once said in this regard (beginning of ch. 2). In BrP Vyāsa is the narrator and consequently by such an announcement the narrator would have to refer to himself; the introduction is therefore not found; the munis directly present a question:

"At which time does a little righteousness (dharma) give rather great results?" [230.60ab; 6,2.2ab]²

In ViP there is a second part to this question:

"And by whom is such righteousness easily achieved?" [6,2.2ed]

This question is in ViP introduced as the topic of a discussion among munis. In BrP Vyāsa answers immediately to the munis by saying:

"In the blessed Kaliyuga, oh Brahmins, great result may result from little effort; in the same way women and Śūdras may be blessed; listen to something else!"8

From the point of view of stylistic analysis, questions and answers can be considered almost by definition to contain cross-references: The answer should be related to the question; and if our text contains questions which remain unanswered, or if a passage appears to be an answer to a question never asked, then this must either be explicable as a meaningful stylistic characteristic of the text or some other explanation should be looked for.4

- 2, From the structure of the references it will be clear which text is referred to.
- 3. 230.61:

व्यास उवाच:

धन्ये कलौ भवेद् विप्रास्त्वल्पक्लेशैर्महत् फलम् । तथा भवेतां स्त्री-शूद्रौ धन्यौ चान्यन् निबोधत्।।

4. By speaking of "meaningful stylistic characteristic" I assume that the authors and redactors did not intentionally produce a meaningless text or non-sense; at the same time I wish to voice a warning against any hasty identification of what we, today and in a different cultural context, consider meaningful or "logical" with what may have seemed meaninful or logical or beautiful to the

By mentioning women and Śūdras, the answer of Vyāsa in BrP answers more than what was asked for; in the light of our knowledge of the text preserved in ViP, his answer seems to presuppose the second part of the question which was actually not put by the sages of the BrP. Of course one may assume that an answer covers more than was mentioned in the question; and if so, then a redactor of the ViP must have noticed that there was an answer to something not asked and consequently he thought it appropriate to add the second part of the question.

Let us recall, in the ViP the question was not put to Vyāsa directly, but it was a point of discussion among the munis. Vyāsa still has to be introduced to the episode; this is narrated in Vip 6,2.2-14: The munis go with their questions to Vyāsa whom they meet while he is taking a bath in the Gaṅgā (Jāhnavī⁵) they wait near a tree until the sage would have completed his bath. They see Vyāsa immerse in the water three t.mes; while emerging he praises Kali, the Śūdras and women. The text seems to be slightly repetitive: The Śūdra (sing.) and Kali are mentioned first; then the Śūdra is praised again in different words; and finally women are praised.

If each submersion in the water is to be connected with one blessing, then the first mention of the Sūdra would have to be considered redundant and possibly secondary; the sequence of blessings would be: Kali, Śūdra, women.

- authors and listeners of our texts. We do have to allow for a considerable discrepancy in the standards of literary logic, narrative stringency, redundance etc.
- 5. It may be noted that this epithet of the river Gangā also implies a kind of cross reference; it refers to the episode according to which Jahnu drank up the river which had inundated the place of his sacrifice; this episods is found in ViP 4,7.4-6 in the context of genealogies, where the word Jāhnavī does not occur. Apart from ViP 6,2.4 and 6,2.6 that epithet is found in ViP 1,9.2 and 4,3.23.
- 6. मग्नोऽथ जाह्नवीतोयादुत्थायाह सुतो मम ।
 गूद्रः साधुः किलः साधुरित्येवं श्रृण्वतां वचः ।
 तेषां मुनीनां भूयश्च ममज्ज स नदीजले ।। (६।२।६)
 सायु साध्विति चोत्थाय शूद्र घन्योऽपि चात्रवीत् ।। (६।२।७)
 निमग्नश्च समुत्थाय पुनः प्राह महामुनिः ।
 योषितः साधु धन्यास्तास्ताभ्यो धन्यतरोऽस्ति कः ॥ (६।२।८)

Vyāsa then asks the munis about the reason for their visit. They reply that they had wanted to settle a doubt, but that they now first want to hear why Vyāsa praised Kali, the Sūdra and women. Vyāsa smilingly announces his answer....and there the common text of ViP and BrP is resumed:

Kali is praiseworthy because japa and samkīrtaņa of Keśava is all that is required.

A Sūdra is blessed because he is red the effort of learning the Veda and of performing difficult rites and sacrifices including the fear of committing ritual mistakes and the restrictions in matters of food and drink; all he has to do is to serve the Brahmins.

Women are blessed because they only have to serve their husbands who, on the other hand, have the trouble of earning wealth, of protecting it, of spending it appropriately. The parallel passage (which was only summarized here) concludes by Vyāsa's saying:

"Therefore the third sādhu was uttered by me about women."

If we look again at Vyāsa's answer as given in the text of the BrP (230 61, quoted above) we realize that he did not say $s\bar{a}dhu$ at all; he said dhanya, and that only twice. Further he did not use the word yositah but rather $str\bar{\imath}$. This is a case of backward reference (Vyāsa is referring back to his own words, and he actually claims to quote them) which I would call "loose" since it points to something in the text which is not found. We may still assume that this kind of loose reference by Vyāsa to his own words does not overstep the conventions of free conversation, and that it was

7. The text reads:

योषिच् छुश्रूषणाद् भर्तुः कर्मणा मनसा गिरा तद्धिता शुभम् (ViP.: एतद्
विषयम्) आप्नोति तत्-सालोक्यं यतो द्विजाः ॥

नातिक्लेशेन महता तानेव पुरुषो यथा।

तृतीयं व्याहृतं तेन मया साध्विति योषितः ॥

एतद् वः कथितं विप्रा यिन्नमित्तमिहागतः।

तत् पृच्छत यथाकामं सर्वं वक्ष्यामि वः स्फुटम् ॥

(230.75-77; cf. ViP 6.2.28-30).

the more pedantic redactor of the ViP who felt disturbed by those loose ends and proceeded to tie them up. However, even in the text of the BrP Vyasa continues by referring to something which can no longer be attributed to the liberties common in conversation: He asks the sages to explain the reason for their visit, to ask what they had come to ask. No such visit was mentioned in BrP. It is consequent of the redactor of the BrP to have omitted those verses in which the munis explan that their dispute has already been settled and where Vyasa tens them that he had known about their question and had therefor knowingly anticipated the answer by his exclamations. But the redactor was not consequent enough in that he retained the reference to the coming of the munis in verse 230.77. The munis had not mentioned a reason for their visit (as in ViP 6,2.11); it was not told that they newly arrived; and they do not follow Vyasa's invitation to ask a question. Rather, both texts continue with a summary of the reasons why Kali, Sudra and women are blessed. The BrP inserts one verse (230.81) which most probably serves to introduce the topic of the following, equally inserted, chapter about the conditions at the end of a cosmic cycle (yuganta);8 and then Vyasa concludes (in both texts) by stating that he gave his explanation without being asked for it.9 Again, for the version of BrP this is a backward reference without its point of reference in the text; rather the narrated episode contradicts this backward reference: In 230.60 the munis did ask a question (even though only half of it); thus, in BrP Vyāsa's explanations are asked for. Only in ViP they are actually not asked for but settle a dispute the topic of which is mentioned in verse 6,2.1.

Even if we allow for certain freedoms in relating conversations, I believe there can be no doubt that the text of the BrP shows clear traces of being copied from another text, since it retains certain loose backward references. Since the text of the ViP, which otherwise runs closely parallel to BrP, provides all the miss-

^{8.} By mentioning this word, which names the subject of the next chapter, the reader/listener is so to speak prepared for what follows. This may be considered an "implicit" cross-reference, in this case an advance reference.

^{9.} भवद्भियंदभिप्रेतं तदेतत् कथितं मया। अपृष्टेनापि धर्मज्ञाः such statements constitute "explicit" cross-references, in this case a backward reference.

ing references and details, the obvious conclussion which offer itself will be that it was the text of the ViP which was copied and abbreviated by the redactor of the BrP.

I began by referring to W. Kirfel and by quoting his opinion regarding the relationship of ViP and BrP, uttered mainly with regard to the Kṛṣṇacarita. In his book "Zur Eschatologie von welt und Leben", which contains an edition of those chapters on eschatology which have parallels in sever Purāṇas, Kirfel himself analyses the same chapters which have been analysed here. Concerning the episode of the visit of the munis to Vyāsa he is convinced that the shorter version of BrP is original and that Vip expanded and elaborated it.

Kirfel presents two arguments; one is the general consideration that abbreviation is uncommon in Purāṇic literature, expansion and interpolation, on the other hand, common; the other argument is a repetition of conclusions he drew with regard to the Kṛṣṇacarita in the above-mentioned article. 10

In spite of the fact that he collated the parallel passages and translated the text in such a way that the differences in the parallel versions are apparent from the translation, Kirfel seems to have overlooked the instances of loose cross-references. In basing our conclusion on the loose backward references found in the BrP I hope to have substituted an observation about the "general conventions of Indian textual tradition" by a specific example which contradicts this general impression. In order not to repeat Kirfel's mistake I shall not conclude that BrP "in general" has abbreviated where ViP presents us with the longer text. BrP ch. 231 is an intance where BrP has extended the text. Thus, in the chapters on eschatology the BrP has abbreviated as well as interpolated. At

^{10. &}quot;Der umgekehrte Weg, daß nämlich der Kompilator des BrP die in Frage stehende Begegenheit in seiner Vorlage ausgemerzt und so einen verkürzten Text geboten habe, ist nicht annehmber, da er im allgemeinen nicht nur den Gepflogenheiten indischer Textüberlieferung, sondern auch dem Verhältnis, in dem andere dem BrP und ViP gemeinsame Textstücke zueinander stehen, widersprechen würde." W. Kirfel: Zur Eschatologie von Welt and Leben. Ein puränischer Text nebst übertragung in textgeschichtlicher Darstellung. Bonn 1959, p. 66.

least the abbreviations can be shown to betray the secondary character of BrP in comparison to ViP.

This conclusion can be corroborated by another stylistic parameter, viz. the dialogue setting as reflected in the vocatives (and other modes of address).11

The starting point is provided by the following consideration:

ViP is related by Parāśara to Maitreya; thus all vocatives have to apply to a Bra in in singular case; the eschatological chapters of BrP are related by Vyasa to a group of sages; thus all vocatives must apply to Brahmins in plural case. If one text copied from the other, the vocatives are one instance in which a change was required to be carried out by the redactor. Does the kind of changes which can be observed allow any conclusions as to the direction of the dependence between the two texts?

The following list includes all vocatives in BrP and ViP. A vertical line in front of the reference indicates that the vocatives are not addressed to the listener(s) of the Purana but the narrator, or that they belong to a different dialogue setting (as in the case of ViP 6,2). Passages which have no parallel in the other texts have been encased.

BrP		ViP	
230.1 230.2 230.3	Vyāsa mahāmune śrūyatām bho	6, 1.2	mahāmune (narrator)
	muniśresthāḥ	6, 1.3	maitreya śrūyatām matto
230.4	dvijottamāḥ	6, 1.4	dvijottama
230.6	munayo 'ntyam	6, 1.6	maitreyāntyam
230.8	bhagavan	6, 1.8	bhagavan (narrator)

I used this parameter in a paper read at the World Sans-11. krit Conference in Philadelphia and in a paper read at the Deutsche Orientalistentag at Würzburg (Peter Schreiner: Zur Redaktionsge-schichte des Brahmapurana, to be published in the Proceedings). In that paper I had examined only the vocatives in the Krsnacarita of both texts and had concluded that they clearly point towards a dependence of BrP on ViP. In examining the vocatives in the parallel chapters on eschatology in BrP and ViP I therefore do not apply any new method but only apply the already published argument to new material.

230.9a 230.9b	bho viprāḥ yat pṛcchadhvam	6, 1.9a	maitreya
	mamānaghāḥ	6, 1.9b	yad bhavāñ chrotum icchati
230.9d	(mahattaram)	6, 1.9d	mahāmune
230.13	viprendrāḥ	6, 1.13	maitreya
230.14	dvijāḥ	6, 1.14	dvija
230.22	dvijāḥ	6, 1.22	
230.23	vipra [sic]	6, 1.23	
		6, 1.44/	l maitreya
230.44b	(atra)	6, 1.45b	maitreya
230.46d	viprā vicakṣaṇaiḥ	6, 1.47d	maitreya panditaih
230.48d	dvijottamāḥ	6, 1.49d	(vicakṣaṇaiḥ)
230.49c	bho viprāḥ	6, 1.50c	maitreya
230.51d	viprāḥ	6, 1.52d	vipra
230.54d	munisattamāḥ	6, 1.55d	munisattama
230.57b	dvijāḥ	6,1.58b	(nṛṇām)
230.61a	viprāḥ		
		6,2.1c	mahābhāga
		6,2 3d	maitreya
		6,2.4b 6,2.13b	dvija
020 621	1 11-1	W. T. C. C. C.	mahāmune
230.63b	dvijāḥ	6,2.16b	dvijāḥ
230.68d	dvijāḥ	6,2.21d	dvijāḥ
230.71c 230.73b	muniśārdūlāḥ	6,2.24c	muniśārdūlāḥ
230.73b	dvijottamāḥ	6,2.26b	dvijottamāḥ
230.75c	dvijasattamāḥ	6,2.27b	dvijasattamāḥ
230.73c	dvijāḥ	6,2.28c	dvijāḥ
230.77a	viprāḥ	6,2.30a	viprāḥ
	munisattamāḥ	6,2.35b	dvijasattamāḥ
230.81d	munisattamāḥ		
230.82d	dvijāḥ	6,2.37d	dvijāḥ
		6,2.39a	mahābhāga
Inserted c	hapter in BrP.		
231.6d 231.54c	munisattamāh		
231.370	bho viprāḥ		

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232.3a	bhagavan	6,3.3a	bhagavan (narrator)
232.46	dvijāḥ	6,3.4b	dvija
232.5b	dvijāḥ	6,3.5b	dvija
232.9b	dvijasattamāḥ	6,3.96	dvijasattama
232.12b	dvijottamāḥ	6,3.12b	mahāmune
232.12c	bho viprāḥ	6,3.12c	maitreya
232.13b	dvijendrāḥ	6,3.13b	maitreya
232.15c	muniśresthāh	6,3.15c	muniśrestha
232.17d	munisattamā 💓	6,3.17d	munisattama
232.18c	bho viprāḥ	6,3.18c	maitreya
232.21d	dvijāḥ	6,3.21d	dvija
232.22b	(diptabhāskaraiḥ)	6,3.22b	dvija bhāskaraiḥ
232.23b	dvijāḥ	6,3.23b	dvija
232.28d	dvijās tadā	6,3.28d	mahāmune
232.30d	munisattamāḥ	6,3.30d	munisattama
232.37c	viprāḥ	6,3.37c	vipra
232.38d	munisattamāḥ	6,3.38d	munisattama
232.39d	dvijāḥ	6,3.39d	dvija
		6,3.416	munisattama
233.1b	dvijottamāḥ	6,4.1b	mahāmune
233.2c	bho viprāḥ	6,4.2c	Waitreya
233.7b	viprendrāḥ	6,4.7b	maitreya
233.11b	dvijāḥ	6,4.11b	dvija
233.12b	dvijāḥ	6,4.12b	mune
233.29c	(mahābuddhiḥ)	6,4.30a	mahābuddhe
233.33b	dvijāḥ	6,4.33d	dvija
233.33d	dvijottamāḥ	6,4.34b	mahāmune
233.35b	viprāḥ pralīyate	6,4.35d	maitreya liyate
233.36b	dvijendrāḥ	6,4.36d	maitreya
233.46a	bho viprāḥ	6,4.46b	maitreya
233.46d	dvijāḥ	6,4.47b	(tava)
233.47a	viprendrāḥ	6,4.47c	maitreya
233.48b	tapodhanāḥ	6,4.48b	mahāmune
233.49b	(tu kathyate)	6,4.49d	dvijocyate
233.49c	muniśārdūlāḥ	6,4.50a	tava maitreya
		6,4.50c	brahman
234.1a	bho viprāḥ	6,5.1a	maitreya
234.6a	dvijaśresthāḥ	6,5.6a	dvijaśrestha

234.8c	dvijavarašresthāh		
		6,5.8c	(dvijavarašresthaih)
234.9d	munisattamāḥ	6,5.9d	munisattama
234.16d	munisattamāḥ	6,5.16d	munisattama
234.25d	dvijāḥ	6,5.25d	dvija
234.45d	(yātanādi) dvijotta- māḥ		
		6,5.45d	(yātanā) dvija
		6	(duḥsahāḥ)
234.49c	viprāḥ	6,5.49c	vipra
234.50a	dvijaśresthāḥ	6,5.50a	dvijāśreṣṭha
234.52d	viprāḥ (prajāyate)	6,5.55b	maitreya (jāyate)
234.58b	dvijottamāḥ	6,5.60d	mahāmune
234.60b	(vai) viprāḥ	6,5.62d	viprarse
234.60d	munisattamāḥ	6,5.63b	munisattama
		6,5.71a 6,5.72c 6,5.73d 6,5.76b	dvija maitreya mune maitreya
234.71	(doṣāms ca sarvān saguņo hy atītaḥ)	6,5.83b	guņādidoṣāms ca mune vyatītaḥ

Let me examine the material by classifying the changes which can be observed:

I. No changes occur, where changes are not required, e. g. in addressing the narrator (Vyāsa or Parāśara, to whom the same vocatives can apply). Instances are BrP 230.2, 230.B, 230.63-82, 232 3. There is one exception in 230.79. No changes occur, where the dialogue setting did not require any changes, as e. g. in the passage 230.62-82, where in ViP, too, Vyāsa addresses a group of sages.

The evidence of this group allows the conclusion that changes are not introduced arbitrarily or for the sake of stylistic variation as compared to the other text. No changes occur if changes are not neccessary.

II. The repertoire of vocatives in both texts does not allow any immediate conclusions. This list includes all vocatives in the text, including those in passages which have no parallel in the

other text. In view of the long chapter 231 in BrP which is not found in ViP the average distribution of vocatives in BrP would come to less than in ViP.

ViP	frequency
maitreya	23
dvija	14
munisattama	8
mahāmune	7
mune	3
vipra	3
dvijaśrestha	201-1191-2-0012 23111
mahābhāga	markin 52
dvijasattama	1
dvijottama	- The tree in a style.
brahman	1
mahābuddhe	1
muniśrestha	1
viprarșe	1
14 vocatives	68
BrP	frequency
dvijāḥ	14
bho viprāḥ	8
mnnisattamāh	8
viprāḥ	
dvijottamāḥ	8
viprendrāḥ	3
dvijaśresthāh	
dvijendrāh	2
anaghāḥ	2
tapodhanāḥ	
dvijavarašresthāh	1
dvijasattamāḥ	1
bho muniśresthah	1
munayaḥ	1111200
muniśārdūl ā ḥ	1
muniśresthah	1
vipra [sic]	
17 vocatives	
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The number of different vocatives is not really larger in BrP than in ViP, since $vipr\bar{a}h$, $bho[vipr\bar{a}h]$ and similar variations have been counted separately. The distribution of vocatives used most is obviously different.

The case of *vipra* in the singular sticks out from this repertoire. The printed editions do not record any variants. The Hindi translator simply omits the word; the AITM translator substitutes a plural: "O brahmins, in the Kali age, the mind will always be manly and courageous." The ext reads:

sadā sapauruṣam ceto bhāvi vipra tadā kalau:

One hesitates to explain this simply as a case of careless printing; the stroke which makes the a long could have been omitted, but the samdhi is also affected ($vipr\bar{a}s\ tad\bar{a}$). As it stands, this vocative does not fit the context of the BrP, while it would easily be explicable as an oversight on the part of the redactor.

III. Substitutions

A. In the first group of substituted vocatives I list those cases where a singular form in ViP is paralleled by the plural form of the same vocative in the BrP.

Singular (ViP)	Plural (BrP)	Frequency
dvija	dvijāḥ	8
dvijasattama	dvijasattamāḥ	7
vipra	viprāḥ	3
dvijaśrestha	dvjiaśresthāh	2
dvijasattama	dvijasattamāḥ	1
dvijottama	dvijottamāḥ	1
muniśrestha	muniśresthah	1

B. In the second group of substituted vocatives I list those cases where a singular form in ViP is paralleled by the plural of a different word or by some other variant:

Singular (ViP)	Plural (BrP)	Frequency
maitreya	bho viprāḥ	7
	viprāḥ	3
	viprendrāḥ	3
	dvijendrāḥ	2

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		bho munisresthāh	1
		munayaḥ	1
		muniśārdūlāḥ	1
mahāmune		dvijottamāḥ	4
		dvijāḥ	1
		tapodhanāḥ	1
mune		dvijāḥ	1
dvija viprarșe		dvijottamāh	1
		viprāh	1

The number of syllables in the plural substitutions does not always correspond to the number of syllables of the singular vocative since other changes in the line may be involved.

If we compare groups A and B it becomes immediately obvious, that none of the vocatives in group B could have been transformed into its plural so as to conform to the new context. If the ViP redactor was the one who copied, his purpose would have been served by substituting the singular form of the word found in the text in all cases but one (munayah); why should he have taken all the trouble to insert "maitreya" etc. (group B) if in 23 other cases (group A) he was content with substituting the simple singular form of the same repertoire of vocatives?

If, on the other hand, the BrP redactor is the one who copied, then group B contains exactly those vocatives where substitution of a plural form did not make sense (maitreya) or was not possible because the number of syllables would have changed (mune-muna-yaḥ ṛṣe-ṛṣayaḥ). Thus, change in the direction from ViP to BrP is explicable; change in the direction from BrP to ViP is not easily explicable.

Again one apparent exception strikes the eye in group B: dvija substituted by $dvijottam\bar{a}h$ (234.45/6,5.45d). The vocative dvija in ViP occupies the syllables 4 and 5 of the $p\bar{a}da$. Syllable 5 has to be short; thus a substitution of $dvij\bar{a}h$ was excluded.

IV. Vocatives in ViP paralleled by something other than a vocative in BrP.

One can understand these cases on the basis of the hypothesis that the vocatives in singular in ViP were dtsturbing to the BrP redactor.

230.9d:

mahāmune belongs to those vocatives which could not be transposed to plural (group III. B); an adverb replaces it.

230.44b:

The vocative maitreya (group III. B) is replaced by a particle (which did not require to be changed if ViP had copied). 12

232.22b:

The usual substitution of $dvij\bar{a}h$ for dvija did not fit the metre; the fifth syllable of the $p\bar{a}da$ has to be short. This explains the disappearance of the vocative. (A similar explanation was adduced in the case of 234.45; see above.)

233.29c/6, 3.30a

The vocative mahābuddhe is replaced by mahābuddhih in nominative which cannot be construed in this sentence. (The AITM translation, p. 683, reads: "Thus there are seven Prakṛtis (causes) beginning with the supreme principle, the Cosmic Intellect." This makes "beginning with ... the Cosmic Intellect" an attribute of "prakṛtayah", and one would expect something like "mahābuddhyādayah" in the text. Kirfel in his edition of the text conjectures sapta mahābuddheh, mus accepting mahābuddhi as a synonym of mahān.18 mahābuddhi as name of that principle which otherwise called buddhi or mahat is not used in the text of the ViP and it does not occur at any other place in the BrP in that sense. As an epithet of respected people mahābuddhi is common in ViP and BrP. It occurs seven times in ViP, in addressing Maitreya (the listener of what Parāśara relates), Romaharsana, Dāruka, Vyāsa. In the BrP the compound occurs 26 times as an epithet of a variety of people, 17 times in vocative case. 14 As for the principle, it is introduced

^{12.} One may add here the case of 230.58c. where viprah replaces the vocative vipra in ViP ed. Bombay. (The above lists are based on the comparison of BrP ed. ASS with ViP ed. Venkatesvara; this variant of ViP ed. Bombay 1902 thus does not figure in the lists.)

^{13.} Eschatologie, p. 31, verse, 30.

^{14.} Such statements about the non-occurrence of a particular term, or about the frequency of occurrence of a word can be made with a fair amount of accuracy; thanks to the indices prepared by the Tūbingen Purāṇa Project. Cf. P. Schreiner, R. Sohnen: Indices and text of the Brahmapurāṇa. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 1987.

in 6, 4.28 as mahan; the same word is repeated in the next line. In this line BrP, also, mentions mahan, though it has changed the preceding line so as to introduce this principle as mahābuddhi (reading mahābuddhir vicaksanā for mahā vai buddhilaksanāh in ViP). The fact that mahan has not been replaced in BrP 233.29a, in addition to the fact that mahābuddhi in 233.29c cannot be construed and is not otherwise known in these texts as a name of buddhi or mahat, makes it plausible to see both occurrences of mahābuddhi (in 233.28d d in 233.29c) as connected with each other. Most probably the necessary change of the vocative occasioned the introduction of this new philosophical term. 15

233.39h:

Since the vocative in ViP is joined in samdhi to ucvate only one syllable remained to be substituted for. The particle tu which was chosen led to the change of ucyate to kathyate.

234.71:

A plural like dvijāh would have offered itself; possibly the Sāmkhya notions of that verse were unfamiliar to the BrP redactor In any case there does not seem to be a "mechanical" explanation for the variant.

This list only includes vocatives, a number of related changes could have been included where other modes of address (imperatives, personal pronouns) are used. I wish to mention only the case of 234.36d/6.5.36d, where both texts have srnu, a vocative which only fits the dialogue setting of ViP but is out of place in the case the BrP, where Vyasa addresses a number of sages, not just one. This is a clear case of oversight on the part of the redactor who in adjusting the dialogue setting of the BrP overlooked this imperative. 234.43c/6, 5.43c provides an instance of a changed imperative (srnudhvam for srnusva).

By the way, it is at this place where the numbering of verses in ViP and BrP begins to vary; ViP follows the coordination of verses and topics by making verse 6,4.27 contain three lines and thereby including the gloss which characterizes bhūtādi. Verses 28 and 29 consist of only one line, verse 30 concludes this section. Thus in ViP this chapter apparently has one verse more, while it only appends one line at the very end of the chapter.

V. Vocatives in BrP not paralleled by a vocative in ViP.

This group is the one which most clearly contradicts the starting hypothesis. If the BrP redactor was the one who changed the vocatives and if he changed only where it was necessary, then why should he have introduced a vocative without reason? Seven instances belong at first sight into this group:

230.9b:

Two substitutions (III. B and IV) in this erse were already shown not to contradict our hypothesis. In the case of anaghah the vocative belongs to a pada which was totally rephrased in order to replace the address of Maitreya as bhavan.

230.22:

The redactor of BrP obviously used a text which was closer to the text of ViP as printed in the edition of Gopāla Nārāyaṇa, Bombay 1902:

> ViP: अभ्यतितोऽपि सुहृदा स्वार्थहानि न मानवः। BrP: अभ्यतितोऽपि सुहृदा स्वार्थहानि तु मानवः। ViP: पणार्घाधर्धमात्रेण करिष्यति तदा द्विज।। BrP: पणस्याद्भीमात्रेऽपि करिष्यति तदा द्विजाः॥

On the basis of this variant in ViP the case has to be, considered as belonging to group III. A. By replacing na by tu the BrP has obviously corrupted the original and made a straightforward translation of the text difficult. Kirfel decided for the reading as in ViP ed. Bombay 1902; he does not register the variant of BrP at all.

230.23b:

The non-fitting vocative in singular has already been discussed above. A mechanical explanation is not possible. If a suggestion based on considerations of content be allowed, the BrP redactor may be assumed to have wanted to tone down the anti-brahminical statement of ViP

230.48d ·

One plausible explanation would be to assume that the copy or version of ViP which the redactor of BrP used did have a vocative in singular (cf. above on 230.22). The printed editions of ViP at

hand do not allow to verify this assumption; ViP ed. Bombay 1902, however, reads dvijottamaih instead of vicakṣaṇaiḥ. The variant may thus be based on a defective akṣara in which the superscript strokes had broken away. The Vankateśvara edition of BrP reads vicakṣaṇaiḥ; the same reading is listed for ms. kha in ed. ASS.

230.57b:

The same consideration is in the preceding case might apply here; however, there are no variants which point in that direction.

233.46d:

The vocative in BrP replaces a personal pronoun addressing Maitreya and is thus explicable as one of the required changes.

234.8c:

ViP ed. Bombay 1902 has dvijavaraśrestha (cf. 230.22 above). If based on this reading, the vocative in BrP would fall under group III. A.

Thus, only two cases remain which cannot be shown to support the starting hypothesis. In the light of the therwise unanimous evidence pointing in the direction of a dependence of BrP from ViP, and in view of the fact that no critical edition of BrP is available which would allow to evaluate variants more systematically, one may be ready to allow for these cases as the inevitable fuzzy edges in the picture.

Kirfel's philological acumen and immense contribution to Purāṇa research are beyond doubt and make me hesitate to offer any critical considerations. With regard to the methodological problems mentioned at the beginning of this paper and raised in criticizing Kirfel, it may be stated as a sound principle that one should start with what may be called the lower levels of textual analysis before advancing to the more comprehensive and complex levels. The level of comparison of variant readings, for example, can be considered a lower level than analysis of the outline of a text, i.e., of the "logical sequence of thoughts" postulated by Kirfel. Analysis of the stringency with which a dialogue setting has been implemented and maintained throughout a text can be considered a lower level of analysis than content analysis (myths,

philosophical concepts, religious attitudes, etc.) of what is related in that dialogue setting.

In the light of our comparison of vocatives and of loose cross-references Kirfel's conclusions drawn from the outline of the compared texts can no longer be as convincing as they must have appeared to him. Kirfel begins by stating the difference in the division of chapters. What is two chapters in ViP (6,1-2) constitues one chapter in BrP (230.1-59 and 230.60-22). In explaining what may have induced to redactor of the ViP ... divide that chapter and to introduce the episode of the sages visiting Vyāsa, Kirfel has recourse to what I would call "pschyological explanations". The redactor is supposed to have wanted to increase the sanctity of his text by attributing it to the legendary Vyāsa. Since the ViP is related by Parasara, the redactor had to invent the episode in order to introduce Vyāsa as narrator, the function which he has already in that section of the BrP 16

In the light of the fact that it was BrP which copied from Vip, the arguments which rely either on the logical sequence of topics or on the psychological motivations of the redactor (pious

^{16.} "Dem Kongilator des Vi.-Kapitels lag offenbar ein Text oder ein Textstück vor; das sich im Br. auf den alten großen Weisen Vyāsa oder Vedavyāsa Dvaipāyana zurūckfūhrte (....) und der Belehrung der Brāhmaņen dienen sollte, während das Vi. dem Parasara in den Mund gelegt wird und sich an Maitreya wendet. Um hier nun die Einschaltung des Vyāsa zu motivieren, dūrfte der Kompilator des Vi. whol jene Begebenheit erdichtet und ihr zunächst den Zusammenhang angepaBt haben. Da in diesem Kapitel die Ausführungen des Br. unmittelbar und logisch an die des 1. Kapitels anschlieben—wie bereits gesagt, bilden das 1. und 2. Kapitel in diesem Purāņa ja eine Einheit, lassen sich die überschüssigen Verse im Vi. aus dieser Situation heraus ohne Zwang als sekundare Zusatze erklaren. Wie bei der Kompilation der Purana's überhaupt und bei der redaktionellen Zusammenfassung vielfach alteren Textmaterials nach bestimmten Gesichtspunkten, so z. B. nach dem der Abfolge eines Kalpa's, so hat auch bei der des Vi. die "pia fraus" eine Rolle gespielt, um die in ihnen vorgetragenen Lehren oder Berichte weit in die Vorzeit zu projezieren und ihnen dadurch ein höheres Ansehen zu verleihen". W. Kirfel: Eschatologie, p. 65 f.

fraud) lose much of their force. They could have adduced for the copying redactor of the BrP with equal conviction, since it was he who adapted a text related by Parāśara and let it be related by Vyāsa. At any event, Parāśara should stand above Vyāsa in the hierarchy of the authoritativeness of narrators by one generation since Parāśara in the ViP refers to Vyāsa as "my son" (e. g. 6,2.4 and 6).

By the same token irfel's arguments in evaluating AgP in its relation to BrP and ViP can be questioned. Kirfel observes: At the beginning of the first as well as the third chapter we find an explication of the division of time. This procedure is said to contradict the logical sequence of thoughts, which must be presupposed with the author of a text. If both chapters were written by the same author, then the treatment of the divisions of time at the beginning of the first chapter would have sufficed. It may thus be concluded that both chapters, which have been compiled by the redactor of the ViP, stem from different authors. The compiler of the AgP, on the other hand, knew only the second text. This also makes plausible why the redactor of BrP inserted an additional chapter with related contents (i. e. ch. 231 on the Kaliyuga and the return of the Krtayuga) at that place; for him the first two chapters and the last three chapters were separate texts. Kirfel concludes that the whole section consists of two different texts of comparable content, that the version of ViP is younger than the version of BrP and that the compiler of AgP only knew the second of the two texts which have been combined in BrP and ViP.17

^{17. &}quot;Vergleicht man nämlich den Eingang des 1. und des 3. Kapitels miteinander, so erkennt man sogleich, daβ in beiden zunächst der gleiche Gedanke, nämlich die systematische Entwicklung der Zeitgrößen vorgetragen wird, wenn dieses im 1. Kapitel auch in einer etwas gedrängteren Form und im 3. etwas ausführlicher geschieht. Dieses Verfahren widerspricht der logischen Abfolge von Gedanken, wie sie bei dem Verfasser eines Textes vorausgesetzt werden muβ. Würden nämlich beide Kapitel auf den gleichen Autor zurückgehen, hätte ihm die einmalige Behandlung der Zeitmaβe als Beginn des 1. Kapitels vollauf genügen müssen. Hieraus darf man mit Recht schließen, daβ jene Kapitel verschiedenen Ursprungs sind. Wir haben es in Wirklichkeit hier also mit zwei individuellen Traktaten verschiedenen, wenn auch verwandten Inhaltes zu tun, die nur im Vi. āuβerlich

In the light of the revised relationship of BrP and ViP one cannot conclude anything new about the position of the AgP; it may simply not have known the BrP which may have originated in a different region of India; its redactor was eclectic no matter whether he excerpted from ViP or from BrP.

One should, however, revise our assumptions concerning the logic of what can be accepted as "logical sequence of thoughts" and, consequently, our criteria of what can be accepted as stemming from a single author. B Obviously the repetition of verses on the division of time in ViP 6.1 and 6.3 did not disturb the redactor author of the ViP; and it did not disturb the redactor/compiler of BrP. It also did not disturb all those copyists and translators and reciters of both texts which contributed to the tradition of the texts inclusive of their repetitions.

This methodological caveat is not meant to plead for an uncritical attitude towards repetitions, contradictions, variations in the treatment of the same topic. All observations concerning these stylistic and topical characteristics of a text need to be carefully collected. The warning applies only to the conclusions drawn from such observations.

aneinander geschweißt worden sind. Dagegen hat der Kompilator des A. offenbar nur den zweiten Text gekannt. der lediglich die drei letzten Kapitel umfaßte. Jetzt wird es auch verständlich, daß im Br. vor dem 3. Kapitel ein solches mit abweichendem, wenn auch verwandtem Inhalte eingeschoben wurde und die beiden ersten Kapitel in ihm noch eine Einheit bilden. Für den Kompilator dieses Pur-a. na's existierten im Bereiche unseres Abschnittes noch zwei verschiedene Texte, während der des A. nur den letzteren kannte.....In unserem Fallen ergibt sich bereits einwandfrei, daß der Abschnitt aus zwei verschiedenen Texten ähulichen Inhaltes besteht, die Version des Vi. so, wie sie vorliegt, jünger ist als die des Br. und der Kompilator des A. nur den zweiten der hier kombinierten Texte gekannt und exzerpiert hat". W. Kirfel: Eschatologie, p. 67 f.

18. Cf. my review of S. A. Srinivasan: Studies in the Rāma Story. On the irretrievable loss of Vālmīkī's original and the operation of the retrieved text as seen in some versions of the Vālin-Sugrīva episode. Wiesbaden 1984, in: Indo-Iranian Journal 30, 1987, p. 45-49.

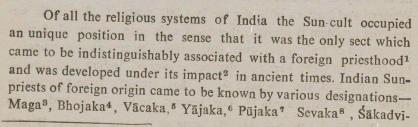
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- 1. The Sāmba-legend is the main source for the advent of the Magian priests from Sākadvīpa which is corroborated by inscriptions and foreign notices. Cf. Sāmba Purāṇa (Śrīvenkateśvara Press Bombay, 1899), 26.27-50; Bhaviṣya Purāṇa (Śrīvenkteśvara Press, Bmbay, 1897), 1.139.70-93; Brahma Purāṇa, (Ānandāśrama Sanskrit Series, Poona, 1895), 20; Bṛhatsamhitā, (ed. H. Kern, Bibliotheca Indica, 1865), 60. 19; Epigraphia Indica, 1893, Vol. II, 338. For details see V. C. Srivastava, Sun-worship in Ancient India, Allahabad, 1972, 248-250.
- 2. It is the reoriented Sun-cult under Magian influence that became the established cult from the Kuṣāṇa period till the 13th century A.D, whose standard documents are the Sāmba and the Bhaviṣya Purāṇas; cf. R. C, Hazra, Studies in the Upa-Purāṇas, Vol. I, Calcutta, 1958, 30 ff.
- 3. Srivastava, op. cit., 1972, 240-250 cf. Magvyakati of Kṛṣṇadāsa Misra, A. Weber, Akademi der Wissenschaften zu Berlin, June, 1879.
- 4. Ibid., 260; L, P. Pandey, Sun-worship in Ancient India, Delhi, 1971, 167-168 cf. Bhavisya Purāṇa, 1.117. I-76, I.139.9-68. I. 140. 1-50, 1.141. 4-14, I.142.I-29.
- 5. Sāmba Purāņa, 1.140.24.
- 6. Bhavişya Purāņa, 27.4 and 23.
- 7. Bhavisya Purāņa, 1.146.1 and 8.
- 8. Ibid., 1.146.14 cf. D. R. Bhandarkar, Epigraphia Indica, Vol. IX, 279.

piya Brāhmaṇa⁹, Sūryadvija¹⁰, and there is a sizeable number of Śākadvīpīya Brāhmaṇas or Magas still present in north Indian population¹¹ who are Sun-worshippers and sometimes priests of local Sun-temples in Bihar (India).¹² Many questions concerning these Sun-priests of foreign origin have engaged the attention of scholars since 1808¹³ but inspite of much ingenuity shown in this matter there are still holes here and there in the reconstructed picture of Indian Sun-priests of foreign origin which could not be filled by all the cheese of answers provided by the scholars—Western and Eastern both for the last 180 years.¹⁴ One such unresolved problem is whether there was only one group of foreign priesthood of Indian Sun-cult with various names as was generally believed¹⁵ or there were two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests-the Maga and the Bhojaka as it has recently been asserted by Heinrich von Stietencron.¹⁶ The present paper is limited to an

- 9. Sāmba Purāṇa, Ms. No 4094 of Asiatic Society, Bengal identifies Śākadvīpīya Brāhmanas and the Magas, cf. H. H. Risley, The Tribes and Castes of Bengal, Vol. I, 1891; A. Mitra, The Tribes and Castes of West Bengal, Census 1951, West Bengal, 1953, 238.
- 10. D. R. Sahani, Epigraphia Indica, Vol. XXII, p. 98— Upendraputra Jayantrāja Āvani Sūryadvijaḥ Kāyastha Śrī Bhogiga Sūryadvijaḥ.
- 11. D. Mitra, Foreign Elements in Indian Population, Cultural Heritage of India, Vol. II, 613-615.
- 12. The Maga-Sākadvīpīya Brāhmaņas have organised themselves in Bihar and take out a magazine known as *Arunprabha*, Vol. II, 14 June, 1987.
- 13. For the first time Wilford gave a summary of the chapters of the *Bhavisya Purāṇa* concerning the Sāmba-legend and referred to the Magas in 1808 in *Asiatic Researches*; Vol. XI, 70 ff.
- 14. For a summary of such works see Heinrich von Stietencron, Indische Sonnenpriester, Sāmba und die Sākadvipiya-Brāhmaṇa, Wiesbaden, 1966, for works after 1966 see Srivastava, op. cit, 1972, pp. 241-260, R. K. Arora, Historical and Cultural Data from the Bhavisya Purāṇa, New Delhi, 1972, C. D. Pandey, Sāmba Purāṇa eka Sāmskritika Adhyayana, Allahabad, 1986.
- 15. R. C. Hazra, The Sāmba Purāņa through the Ages, Journal of Asiatic Society, Letters, Vol. XVIII (2), 1952, 90-111, Srivastava, op. cit., 1972, 260, L. P. Pandey, op. cit., 1971, 168-169.
- 16. Stietencron, op. cit., 276.

appraisal of this vital issue of Indian Sun-priests which may have revolutionary¹⁷ repercussions on the entire content and direction of the Sun-cult in ancient India.

Bases of the thesis of two Distinct groups of Indian Sun-Priests

The main basis of Stietencron's thesis is textual from which emanate other grounds. In his opinion the author of the original portion of the Sāmba Pūrāṇa is not familiar with the Bhojakas¹8 because there is no genuine reference to term—Bhojaka in the first group of this Purāṇa. The two references to Bhojaka at 27.3 and 36.37a of the printed edition of the Sāmba Pūrāṇa (Srīveṅkaṭeśvara Press, Bombay, 1899) do not agree with the manuscript (No. 3619 of India Office Library, London) and as such appear to have been changed by the printer under the influence of the Bhaviṣya Purāṇa which was printed two years earlier at the same press.¹9

From this textual basis it has been found that the origins of the Magas and the Bhojakas differ, the religious fundamentals of these two also differ and their social status vary in the Purāṇic records. In his opinion the Magas accepted the Vedas as they had no scripture of their and integrated in Indian society while the Bhojakas had their own Vedas, claimed descent from Zarathusṭra and were Zoroastrians and as such did not integrate into the Brāhmaṇical society and carried the odium of an extra-vedic people of low social standing as is revealed by the Bhaviṣya Purāṇa. 20 He deduces the word—Bhojaka from a Middle Iranian form— $boj\bar{a}k^{21}$ —healer, saviour. In view of above considerations he propounds the thesis of two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests of foreign origin.

Critical Appreciation of the Textual Basis of Stietencron's thesis The author of the original chapters of the Sāmba Purāna

^{17.} Ibid., 276 writes—'If one is to accept that the Magas and Bhojakas are two distinct groups of priests the consequences for the evaluation of our textual material are revolutionary'.

^{18.} Ibid., 276.

^{19.} Ibid., 276.

^{20.} Ibid., 277.

^{21.} Ibid., 280.

appears to have been familiar with the Bhojakas because there are references to the term-Bhojaka in the original portions of the Samba Purana's manuscripts of the Asiatic Society, Bengal. The manuscript No. 409122 contains reference to Bhojaka at 26.3 (instead 27.3 of the printed edition)-kintucintayatah sūryacintayitvā ca bhojakān jānampratitathācaisām hridayemamsamsayah. In this manuscript chapter 33-35 are missing and as per scheme of this manuscript chapter 35 should be treated as chapter 36 of India Office Library manuscrip 10. 3619.28 As such it is not possible to ascertain whether the other reference (36.37a) has 'Bhojaka' or not. However, this manuscript has a full, though short, chapter No. 38 where there are direct references to the Bhojakas in association with the Magas-pūjite bhojake vīrah ādityah pūjito bhaveta bhuñjate vaigehe bhojakā yadunamdana | 38.4. which is repeated at I.147.29 in the Bhavisya Purana.

Similarly another manuscript No. 4093 of Asiatic Society, Bengal has a reference to the Bhojakas at 35.29 (instead of 36.37a) anena vidhinā dattvā dhūpamsūryāya bhojakah utksiptenaivadhūpenaviśudha bhajahamtatah. This manuscript has references to the Magas and the Yājakas at 26.4 and 26.6 but the Yājakas are said to indulge into practices like dhūpa, paramena24 etc. to Sūrya as a Bhojaka does according to the printed edition of the Samba Purana (36.36-37) and the manuscript No. 4093 at 35.29.

Another manuscript No. 4094 of the Samba Purana of Asiatic Society, Bengal which consists of one chapter only identifies the Magas and the Sākadvīpiya Brāhmaņas.25 The chapters where references to the Bhojakas are found in the manuscripts cited above belong to the original stratum. 26

H. P. Sastri, A Descriptive Catalogue of the Sanskrit Manuscripts in the Government Collection under the Care of the Asiatic Society, Bengal, Vol. 5, Calcutta,

^{23.} J. Eggeling, A Descriptive Catalogue of the Sanskrit Manuscripts in the Library of India Office, London, Vol. VI, 1944, No. 3619.

^{24.} Sastri, op. cit., No. 4093.

^{25.} Ibid., 4094.

R. C. Hazra, Studies in the Upa-Puranas, Vol. I, 57 cf. 26. V. C. Srivastava, tr. The Samba Purana, Allahabad. 1975, 101 fn. 2.

In view of the above facts it is wrong to assume that the author of the original portions of the Sāmba Purāṇa did not know the Bhojakas and the references to Bhojaka in the printed text are manipulations of the printer under the influence of the Bhaviṣya Purāṇa. The correct position appears to be that the Sāmba Purāṇa was familiar with the Magas, Bhojakas, Yājakas, Sākadvīpīya Brāhmaṇas and others and whatever little points of difference between the Magas and the Bhojakas r Yājakas existed were mentioned in the work. The Sāmba Purāṇa does not distinguish between these priests in such a distinct fashion as to warrant the existence of two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests.

Critical Appreciation of Historical Grounds of Stieteacron's thesis

Historical grounds of the thesis such as the difference in the origin, variations in their religious fundamentals and dissimilarity in their social status lose their strength because the textual basis from where they get life has been proved wrong. Nevertheless, these grounds may be evaluated not only in the light of the Purāṇic texts (which are too much mixed up and corrupted in course of time) but also in the at of the entire process of social change, subtle mechanism of Indianization and powerful dynamics of acculturation of a foreign institution in the traditional yet liberal and tolerant Indian society as is evidenced by literature, inscriptions, foreign notices, and archaeological findings as well as the present day practices of Śākadvīpīya Brāhmaṇas.

The difference in the origin of the Magas and the Bhojakas as seen by Stietencron is not an historical reality because the story of the origin of these Indian Sun-priests in the Bhaviṣya Purāṇa²8 appears to have been invented with a view to showing the Indianization of the foreign priesthood. In the Sāmba Purāṇa there is no mention of the origin of these priests except that they belonged

^{27.} Sāmba Purāna, 27.7. 22-23.

^{28.} The Hāralīlā episode symbolizes the acculturation of Indian and Iranian-Zoroastrian elements, cf. Sāmba Purāṇa, 27.9-10.

to Śākadvipa²⁹ and had four Vedas³⁰ whose names have not been specified. But the Bhavisya Purana connects the Magas with Jarasastra who is said to have been born out of the conjugation of the Sun-god with Niksubha in the fire.31 They are said to be masters of the Vedas and Vedāngas. 32 In another reference to the Magas (not the Bhojakas) it is said that they have four Vedas— Veda, Viśvavada, Vidid and Angirasas which are contrary to Brāhmanical Vedas. 33 It is difficult to agree with Stietencron that this feature is of the Bhakas because the text clearly associates this feature with the Magas. 84 Needless to remind that the Magas were the worshippers of the combined form of the Sun and the Fire 3 and the episode is quite transparent to reveal that the foreign priesthood with Iranian features was tried to be Indianized by such invented stories of their origin. 86 There are examples of Iranian features of the Sun-images having been Indianized by similar legends in Indian literature.37 The process of acculturation

- 29. Samba Purana, 26, 27-28na yogah paricaryayam jambudvipe mamanagha| mama pūjākarān gatvā Sākadvīpad ihanāya |
- 30. Ibid., 25.32-33nirmitā vai purā mayā| tebhyo vedās ca catvārah sarahas mayeritāh|
- Bhavisya Purāna, I. 139.31-44. 31.
- Ibid., I. 139.62-32. magavamise mahatmano vedavedangapar agah
- 33. Ibid., 1.140.36-38 ta eva viparītās tu tesām vedāh prakīrtitāh vedo viśvavadaś caiva vidud angirasas tatha | 37
- Ibid., Cf. Pandey, op. cit., 1971, 167. 34.
- Frank Cumont, The Mysteries of Mithra, New York, 35. 1956. p. 30 ff., V. H. Moulton, Early Zoroastrianism, London, 1926, 182-253.
- The legend of the origin of the Magas from Sūrya and 36. Niksubhā in fire is indicative of it, Bhavisya Purāna, 1.139.30-67 which is associated with Jarasastra, four Vedas of Iran, and other Zoroastrian features which ultimately were mixed up with the Bhojaka.
- The effort to Indianize the Iranian features may be seen 37. in legend of Jamadagni, Mahābhārata, XIII, 96.13 and stories explaining foreign traits in Indian fashion Cf. J. N. Banerjea, Myths Explaining some Alien Traits of the North-Indian Sun-icons, Indian Historical Quarterly, Vol. XXVIII, 1952, L. P. Pandey, op. cit., 177-180.

involves the give-and-take spirit. It is this subtle process that may be seen in the retention of the original foreign Zoroastrian feature and the imposition of Hāralilā episode which shows the combined form of the Sun and the Fire with the primacy of the former. 38 There are two reasons given in the Bhavisya Purana for the name Bhojaka. Firstly, they are known as Bhojakas as they are the giver and eater of the food of the Sun-god89 and as they were born of the daughters of the Bhojas. 40 Magas are fire-born while the Bhojakas are the Sun-born.41 The jakas are related to the Magas because they are said to have been married to the daughters of the Magas.42 From these different accounts of the Bhojakas two historical inferences may be drawn. Firstly, the Bhojakas entered into matrimonial alliances with the local population including Indianized foreign Magas and secondly, they were the acceptors of the gifts given to the Sungod. They are described as of good family, born in Arvadesa, well-versed in Saura texts and other Vedas43 and the Gayatri hymn etc.

Stietencron's derivation of the word —Bhojaka from the Middle Iranian form—bozvak is farfetched and is not supported by any literary reference. It is a suspect in view of the presence of the term—Bhojaka of course in an administrative context) from

38. Bhavisya Purāna, 1.139. 33-48 cf. Hazra, op. cit., 1952.

39. Bhavişya Purāṇa, 1.117.53-54, 1.143.26—
nābhojyam bhunjate yasmāt tenaite bhojakā matāḥ|
magam dhyāyanti te yasmāt tena te magadhāḥ
smṛtāḥ|| 53
bhojayamti ca mām nityam ten te bhojakāh smrtāḥ|54a

40. Ibid., I.140, 19,35—
bhojavamsasamutpannāh kanyakāh samalamkṛtāḥ

varayitvā krtam teṣām vipra pranayanam subham | 19
....
bhojakanyāsu jātatvād bhojakās ten te smrtāh | 35a

41. Ibid., 1.139.44—
agnijātyā magāḥ proktāḥ somajātyā dvijātayaḥ|
bhojakādityajātyā hi divyās te parikīrtitāḥ ||44

42. Ibid., 1.140.9 kanyādānam krtam teşam magānām bhojakottamaih|9a

43. Ibid., 1.135.59-60—
kulīnah śraddadhānaścāryadeśa-samudbhavah|
na sthūlo na krišo dīrghah saurašāstravišārādah||59

quite early times in India.44 There are evidences that the Maga-Bhojaka Brāhmaņas were given the rights over villages and they assumed the position of landlords or Zamindars in historical times particularly in the Gupta and post-Gupta periods. 45 It appears that the term-Bhojaka was not indicative of a caste originally as it was an administrative office given to Brahmanas and other influential men of the village which ultimately turned out to be feudatories/ Zamindars in early medieval period.46 This class must have included the Magas47 who well-settled in India from quite early times. The Magas who were Bhojakas ultimately turned out to be separate Brāhmanical caste which entered into marriagerelations with the local and foreign population.48 There is one very significant reference in Hunda Inscription (774 A. D.)49 which informs that a Kāyastha Śrī Bhogika was named a Sūryadvija because he was a Sun-worshipper. In view of these facts much reliance cannot be placed on the difference in the origin of these priests for a sound historical thesis of two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests.

The differences in the cult-practices of the Magas and the Bhojakas seen by Stietencron are marginal and illusory. The alleged differences in the cults of the Magas and the Bhojakas may be attributed to such extraneous as the arrival of these priests in three

R. S. Sharma, Material Progress, Taxation and State 44. Formation in the Age of Buddha, B. P. Sinha Felicitation Volume, Delhi, 1987, 255-260.

Deo Barnark Inscription refers to it, see J. F. Fleet, ed. 45. Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, Vol. III, pp. 213-218 cf. Bhavisya Purāna, I. 117.34-37 states that all wealth, house, village, and town given to the Sun-god may be enjoyed by the Bhojakas because they as sons of the Sungod have right over their fathers' property.

D. C. Sircar, Indian Epigraphy, Delhi, 1965, Ch. 8. 46. sec. 2.

^{47.} Cf. Deo Barnark Inscription, Fleet, op. cit., 213-218.

^{48.} Bhavisya Purāna, I. 140.35, I. 140.9.

Hunda inscription refers to a Śri Bhogika Kāyastha as a 49. Sūryadvija, Cf. Sahani, op. cit., 98.

waves⁵⁰, the association of the Maga—Bhojakas with other castes⁵¹ and the mingling of the āṅgirasa tradition in the Sun-worship in eastern India⁵² and the dynamics of Indianization.⁵⁸ More specific criticism lies in the fact that practices like avayaṅga, barsman, patidāna, paramahoma, etc. which Stietencron associates with the Bhojakas are actually original practics of the Magian priests of Iran⁵⁴ and it is still doubtful whether this or that practice may be exclusively connected with one or the other group of Sunworshipping priests of foreign origin. Similarly the cleanliness, dress, outer appearances are not exclusively Zoroastrian but of ascetic order in general including Hinduism.⁵⁵ For instance shaven-head and a śikhā are hall-marks of a Hindu Saṃnyāsi⁵⁶. Cleanliness. ahimsā, vrata, etc. had been associated with Indian

^{50.} First they entered in the 5th century B. C. in the wake of the Achaemenid invasion, then they entered in the 1st-2nd century A. D. in the wake of the Saka-Kuṣāṇa invasions and lastly they entered in the wake of Huṇa invasions in the 5th-6th century A. D. and later to avoid the Islamic onslaughts—see Srivastava, Antiquity of Magas in Ancient India, Proceedings, Indian History Congress, Bhagalpur, 1968, Magas, the Iranian priests in Ancient India, Proceedings, Inter-University Seminar, Centre of Advanced Study, Department of Ancient History and Culture, Calcutta University, ed. D. C. Sircar, 1968.

^{51.} Bhavişya Purāņa, I. 140. 19. 35.

^{52.} Ibid., I. 140.37 refers to four Vedas of which the fourth is angirasas which should be assigned to angiras tradition of India rather than Nirangistān as it has been done by Stietencron op. cit., 196, fn. 49. The Angiras priests were responsible for Konārk Sun-temple and they were the prieste of the Indo-Iranian period, Weber, Indische Studien, 105. The inscriptions of Maga poet—Gangādhara of Bharadvaja clan informs us that the angirasa Bharadvajas were held in high esteem in Magadh, quoted by J. H. Dave, Immortal India, Bombay, 1959, 113.

^{53.} Indian tradition has been given recognition. For example four Indian Vedas have been recognized, Bhavişya Purāṇa, I. 142.22-23.

^{54.} Moulton, op. cit., 182-253.

^{55.} See G. C. Pande, Studies in the origins of Buddhism, Allahabad, 1957, 327-338.

^{56.} Ibid.

Sun-worship from quite early times.⁵⁷ Stietencron's suggestion that the prohibition to agriculture and trade by the Bhojakas was due to Buddhist ideology is based on wrong facts because it is Buddhism which has been pro-trade and urbanism.⁵⁸ The reason for the instruction lies, most probaly, in the land-lord and wealthy status of the Bhojakas.⁵⁹ It is true that by the time the Bhavisya Purāṇa came to be written (10th century A. D. onwards)⁶⁰ all the three waves of Magian priests have arrived and well-settled in India and the Parsees with Zoroastrian features have also made their influence felt in India⁶¹ and therefore, it may be no surprise if some Zoroastrian and other extraneous features might have entered into the Sun-cult. Tantricism was also nocking at the door of each and every cult including the Sun-cult at this time⁶² and it was the demand of the challenge to provide more and more ethical-moral values⁶³ in the cult-practices of the Sun-cult.

The dissimilarity in the social status of the Magas and the Bhojakas⁶⁴ cannot be construed as a valid ground for the thesis of two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests. There is definite inscrip-

- 57. Srivastava, op. cit., 1972, 53-54.
- 58. W. A. Fairservis, The Roots of Ancient India. 2nd ed. Chicago, 1975, 380, R. S. Sharma, Material Background of the Origin of Buddhism, Mohitsen and M. B. Rao, ed. Das Kapital Centenary Volume A Symposium, Delhi, 1968, 63-64.
- 59. Fleet, op. cit., 213-218
- 60. Stietencron, op. cit. 277.
- 61. A. L. Basham, The Wonder that was India, Rupa, 1981, 347 shows that the first settlement of Parsees was in Diu (Saurāṣṭra) and Thana (Bombay) in the 8th century A.D.—the very region where the Samba legend originates, Stieteneron, op. cit., 242, 274.
- 62. Later chapters of the Sāmba Purāna are associated with Tantricism, Hazra, op. cit., 66, ff.
- 63. Virtues like cleanliness śānti, ahimsā, vrata etc. have been associated with Purānic religion in general and may not be Zoroastrian, Hazra, Purānic Records on Hindu Rites and Customs, Decca, 1940, 24, 81, 197, 236 etc. (Ahimsā), 156, 166, 176 etc. (vrata).
- 64. The Bhojakas have been termed as Devalaka Brāhmaņa and Apānkteya in the Sāmba Purāṇa, 26,21, Cf. Bhaviṣya Purāṇā, I. 139.6 which is repeated several times in these Purāṇas; Cf. Stietencron, op. cit., 139, 175, 184, 236.

tional evidence that the Bhojakas enjoyed high position upto the 8th century A. D. If the Zoroastrian practices of the Bhojakas would have been a factor for their low position it should have been from the very beginning and not after two three centuries after their arrival. 66 It is more reasonably historical to trace the reasons for their low social status in their acceptance of the gifts of the god67 which is contrary to the Brāhmī tradition of the Brāhmaņas,68 their mingling with non-Brāhmaṇa castes69 at a time when castesystem was becoming rigid 70 and Indian liety was facing a crisis due to Islamic invasion 71, their association with Tantricism with which the later chapters of the Samba Purana are connected. 72 The reversion of the name from Bhojaka to Maga and the emphasis on a new name—Śākadvipīya Brāhmana on the basis of their place of origin 78 in line with such other names as Saryūpārī or Kānyakubja Brāhmanas, was due to a feeling to separate these temple-priests of foreign origin from pure Brahmanas of India so that the odium of indulging into objectionable practices may be removed from the Brāhmaṇas in general. It may be restricted to a group of Brāhmaņas. However, there are Śākadvīpīya Brāhmaņas or Magas in large numbers in eastern India who regard themselves as of high origin and status.74 They are experts in astrology, occult, āyurveda and temple-sirship of the Sun-god.

In view of above textual and historical considerations it is not correct to believe that there were two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests. Actually there was only one group of Sun-priests of foreign origin who arrived in India in three waves at three different

^{65.} Srivastava, op. cit., 252, Fleet, op. cit., 213-218.

^{66.} Ibid., p. 252.

^{67.} Bhavisya Purāṇa, I. 117.54, I. 143.26.

^{68.} Ibid., I. 139.5-8.

^{69.} Ibid., I. 140.19,35.

^{70.} See B. N. S. Yadava, Society and Culture in Northern India, in the Twelfth Century A. D., Allahabad, 1973.

^{71.} Ibid.

^{72.} Srivastava, op. cit., 1972, 264-267.

^{73.} J. H. Hutton, Caste in India, London, 1973, 56.

^{74.} Arunprabhā, 1987,—a magazine published by Śākadvipīya Brāhmaṇas of Rohtas (Sasaram) in Bihar.

times and as such might have some peripheral internal divisions, and adopted different names due to historical exigencies. Indian tradition of the Suncult and Alberuni who mentions about the Magas does not know of any such two groups among them. The difference in origin, variations in cult-practices and dissimilarity in social status may be explained on the grounds of historical logics of acculturation, Indianization, socio-religious changes in early medieval India. As such it is difficult to subtable to the thesis of two distinct groups of Indian Sun-priests of foreign origin—a myth created by Stietencron which is far from historical reality.

^{75.} Tradition as preserved in the Purāṇas and the foreign notices know only of one foreign priesthood of the Suncult—see Elliot and Dowson, *History of India as told by its own Historians*. Vol. 1. 77-218.

^{76.} Sachau, Tr. Kitāb-ul-Hind and Āthār-al-Bāquia of al-Birūnī (Alberuni's India), London, 1914, Vol. I., 21.

PURANIC HELP IN CORRECTING CORRUPT PASSAGES OCCURRING IN PHILOSOPHICAL WORKS.

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In the Purāṇas we sometimes find h statements as afford help in correcting corrupt passages occurring in philosophical works. An example of this kind is given in my article 'A corrupt reading in the Parimala commentary on the Bhāmatī corrected with the help of the Purāṇas. A second example is given here.

The Bhāmati commentary of Vācaspati reads: तथाहु रागमिन:— को हि योगप्रभावादृते अगस्त्य इव समुद्रं पिबति स इव दण्डकारण्यं सृजित (on Sāriraka-bhāṣya 4.4.9).² It is clear that Vācaspati connects सृजित with Agastya. A similar passage is found in Vācaspati's Tātparyatīkā: यथाहुरत्रभवन्तः को हि योगप्रभावाद् ऋते अगस्त्य इव समुद्रं पिबति स इव च दण्डकारण्यं सजित (on Nyāyabhāṣya 1.1.1).³

It is perfectly chear that both of these two passages of the same author speak of the results of two supernormal powers, namely (i) the drinking of the water of the ocean by the sage Agastya and (ii) the creation of the forest Daṇḍaka⁴ (by Agastya).

- Published in the J. of G. N. Jha Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Allahabad; Vol. XXXV. 3-4.
 - 2. The sub-commentary Kalpataru of Amalānanda explains the passage as : अगस्त्यो हि समुद्रं संकल्पमात्रेण पपौ । कस्यचिद् ऋषेः शापात् प्राणिनिवासानर्हंमपि दण्डकारण्यं निवासयामास.
 - 3. Udayana in his Pariśuddhi explains the passage as: विभूतिमता अनेककालोपभोग्यमपि एकदा भुज्यत इत्यत्र समुद्रपान मुदाहरणम् । योगधिप्रभावसंपन्नो विविधफलभोगिनो विचित्रस्वभावान् एकदैव बहून् कायान् इच्छामात्रेणैव निर्मिमीत इत्यत्र दण्डकारण्यसृष्टिरुदाहरणम् (p. 90, Mithila Institute Series).
 - 4. Sankaramiśra in his Upaskāra refers to these two incidents as the results of yogic power : योगज एव धर्मः प्रत्यासत्तिस्ततः अगस्त्यसमुद्रपानं दण्डकारण्यनिर्माणं चेति दृष्टान्तः (9.1.14).

It is needless to say that the original source of these two incidents is Puranic literature comprising the Purāṇas, the Upapurāṇas and the two Epics. (These incidents are found to have been referred to by the authors of non-Puranic works also, who obviously came to know of these incidents from Puranic tradition).

But if we go through Puranic literature we come across a discrepancy; to be explicit: while Agastya's drinking of oceanic water is described in various ways in this literature⁵ we find no mention of the creation of the Dandaka forest by Agastya in it, though it says many things about this forest.⁶ It is to be noted here clearly that the only incident about this forest that may be put as an example of the result of some supernormal power is its destruction (and not creation) by the curse of the sage Sukra (and not of the sage Agastya) to the king Danda (son of Ikṣvāku), who violated Arajas, daughter of the sage.⁷

- 5. See Sk. Nāgarakhaṇḍa 35.30-41 (through viśoṣiṇī vidyā); Nāgarakhaṇḍa 36.36-47 (by uttering the mantra 'कालो करालो....'); Nāgarakhaṇḍa 60.2-3 (through Śoṣaṇī vidyā with the help of an Ātharvaṇa काtra); see also Mbh. Vana-p. 105.3-6; Viṣṇud harmottara-p. 1.213.5. The incident has been alluded to in some Purāṇas: Liṅga-p. 1.29.29 (क्षीरोदश्च....हमपेयो ब्राह्मणे: कृत:), Brahmāṇḍa-p. 2.52.16 (अगस्त्यपोतसिळ्ळे....).
- 6. As for example, see Śānti-p. 29.137 (यमभ्यसिञ्चन् संभूय महारण्ये महर्षयः; according to Nil. mahāraņya is Daṇḍakāraṇya and 'yam' refers to 'pṛthum'.
- 7. See Rāmāyaṇa (7.81.1-18), Padma-p. (5.34. 49-59) and Vāmana-p. (63.19-37; 66.1-18). It is said here that Daṇḍa, son of Ikṣvāku, violated Arajas, daughter of Sukra. Cousequently Sūkra pronounced a curse on account of which Daṇḍa's kingdom was buried deep in an ash-hill in a week. The incident is alluded to in Mbh. Anuśāsana-p. 153.11 (दण्डकानां महद् राज्यं ब्राह्मणेन विनािश्तम्) and 151.7 (येषां कोपाग्निरद्यापि दण्डके नोपशाम्यित). The significance of ब्रह्मापि (even to-day) remains to be disclosed by competent scholars. See also Arthaśāstra 1.6 and Kāmasūtra 1.2.44 with their commentaries.

Since there is no mention of the creation of the Dandaka forest in the Puranic works by Agastya or even by Sukra, it may reasonably be concluded that the printed reading of the above two passages is corrupt.

The corrupt reading may however be corrected in the light of Puranic literature. Since Sukra is said to be the agent of the act of destroying the forest Dandaka, the printed reading स इव (in both the passages) which connects Agastya on the act of destruction may be corrected to शुक्त इव. The finite verb सूजित is to be corrected to a word expressing the sense of destruction or an act similar to it that has been stated in the relevant Puranic passages.

It is a pity that the authors of the two sub-commentaries expressed no doubt about the correctness of the reading. Amalānanda's comment shows that he was aware of the ruined condition of the forest on account of the curse of 'some' sage. I have every reason to believe that Amalānanda knew that the sage was no other than Sukra. But since he read the reading as shown above and regarded it as valid he explained सृजित not by its synonym जनयति or उत्पादयित but by निवासयामास (in किंद लकार) so that the meaning would be in consonance with the nature of a forest. Udayana's explanation of दण्डकारण्यसृष्टि is not at all clear. Is there any similarity between बहुकायनिर्माण and दण्डकारण्यनिर्माण (both through yoga)?

The corruptness of the readings of the above two passages may be known from another source also. It may be easily observed that Vācaspati begins his statement by saying तथाहु रागिमनः and यथाहुरत्रभवन्तः. This undoubtedly shows that Vācaspati is referring here to the statement of some ancient authority. Fortunately this authority is known to us. It is the Vyāsabhāṣya (on Yogasūtra 4.10) which reads: दण्डकारण्यं च चित्तबलव्यतिरेकेण कः शारीरेण कर्मणा शून्यं कर्नुंमुत्सहेत समुद्रमगस्त्यवद् वा पिवेत्

Though in this passage there is no mention of the agent of the act of emptying the Dandaka forest, yet the wording of the passage clearly shows that this agent must be different from

निवासयामास—from the root नि + वस् (णिच्) 'to found', cp. माहिष्मतीं पुरी निवासयामास (Viṣṇu-p. 4.11.9).

Agastya. Though the Tattvavaiśāradi comm. of Vācaspati is silent on this point, yet the comm. Yogavarttika of Vija nabhiksu refers to the incident by giving the name of the agent of destruction as Śukra (दण्डकदेशं तद्राजे क्रोधान्विते शक्तः सप्तदिनशिलावृष्ट्या जनशून्यं चकार) obviously on the basis of Puranic works.

Since Vācaspati was a commentator of the Vyāsabhāṣya and since he was well-versed in the Epic-Puranic tradition, 10 it would be wrong to hold that Waspati was ignorant of the nature and author of the incident concerning the forest Dandaka. This also strengthens our view that the printed readings of the Bhamati and the Tatparyatika are corrupt and that they are to be corrected with the help of Puranic liturature—the original source of the two ākhyānas relating to Agastya and Sukra.

Since both the acts, namely अगस्त्यकृतसम् द्रजलपान and शुक्रकृत-दण्डकारण्यशन्यीकरण were well-known episodes of the Puranas, a question may be raised about the reason that gave rise to the corrupt reading in a later period. It is not easy to show the reason.

Following factor may be considered withis connection. The Vivaraņa comm. (which is not by Adi-Śańkarācārya but by some later Sankaracarya) on the Vyasabhasya says : दण्डकारण्यं चित्तबल-व्यतिरेकेण कः कर्नुं शक्नोति कश्च पिबेत् समुद्रमगस्त्यविदिति (4.10). (This shows that the commentator read the Bhasya-passage as दण्डकारण्यं कर्तु मुत्सहेत (in the place of दण्डकारण्यं शून्यं कर्तुम् उत्सहेत). This reading (which seems to be an emanded form of the original reading श्रान्यं कर्तुम्)

- Vijnanabhiksu seems have written क्रोधान्वित inadvertently; he should have written कामान्विते; cp. दाण्ड्क्यो नाम भोज: कामाद् ब्राह्मणकन्यामभिमन्यमानः सबन्ध्राष्ट्रो विननाञ् (Kāmasūtra 1.2.44).
- Vācaspati is found to have quoted from the Visnupurāna and Vayu-purana. He seems to have known some of the other Puranas also, for while explaining Nandiśvara's acquiring of a divine body (as stated in the Vyāsabhāsva 2.13), he added that Nandin was 'eight years old' at that time—a fact not stated in the works on yoga but in the Purāņas (Sk. Kāśikhaṇḍa 11.106, Śiva-p. 3.6.49-52 and other Puranas).

may be supposed to have some regional basis. Since only Agastya is mentioned in this Bhāṣya-passage, दण्डकारण्यसृष्टि came to be wrongly considered as connected with Agastya. 11 Agastya's connection with the Dandaka (as mentioned in Rāmāyana 1.1.42-43) may have strengthened the notion of Agastya's destroying the Dandaka forest. Some scholars seem to have 'corrected' the original sentence, being influened by this notion.

This however is a conjecture only and the conjecture is very weak, for it is based only on the printed reading of the Vivarana commentary, which has not been edited properly with the help of several manuscripts. It may be further noted that Puranic tradition knew of the creation of the Dandaka12 forest also, but that is not through yogic power but through kingly power (Harivamsa 1.10.24-25). A fruitful discussion on the reason for the corrupt readings seems to depend on the older manuscripts of Bhamati and Tātparyatikā.

The commentator Nilakantha seems to hold the view that 11. Agastya's curse fell on the Dandaka forest : अगस्त्यादिर-प्राकृतोऽपि बहुहिंसाकरं दण्डकारण्यशापाख्यम् अधर्मं चकार (Śānti-p. 260.6).

It may be noted that Dandaka is also used for Dandaka, 12. vide Ganaratnamahodadhi 1.61 ''दण्डका अरण्यम् । 'वर्षाणि तिष्ठतु चतुर्दश दण्डकायाम्' (अनर्घराघव ४।६६) । 'प्राप्तानि दुःखान्यपि दण्डकेषु संचिन्त्यमानानि सुखी बभूवुः' इति रघुकाव्ये (१४।२५) चिन्त्यम्''.

BOOK REVIEW

पञ्चक्रोशात्मक ज्योतिर्लिङ्ग काशीमाहात्म्य (in Hindi).

Author—Pt. Kedāranātha Vyāsa; pages 322 with a preface of 5 pages; Publisher—the author himself; to be had of: CK. 35/8 Jnanavapi, Varanasi-221 1; price Rs. 75/- (ordinary), Rs. 125/- (bound).

The main purpose of the author seems to give an attractive and useful account of the wellknown pilgrimage known as Pañca-krośi Kāśiyātrā with all necessary details about retuals. The book contains brief discussions on some connected matters also; as for example, the story of the king Divodāsa, liberation as a result of death at Kāśi, the names and extent of Kāśi, etc. At the end there are an elaborate account historical as well as Puranic, of Kāśi (pp. 282-299), and a description of both the Jaina tīrthas (pp. 228-233) and Bauddha tīrthas (at Sarnath) (pp. 233-251).

The author has shown that besides the great Pañcakrośi yātrā there are a large number of secondary yātrās, also, namely Nityayātrā (p. 42), Antargṛhī yātrā (p. 43, 104) Anukramayātrā (p. 81), Dvādaśāditya-yātrā (p. 78), Aṣṭabhairavayātrā (p. 77), Aṣṭaṣaṣṭyā-yatana-yātrā (p. 83) etc. etc. There is a minor yātrā called Nagarapradikṣiṇā (enjoined for those who take kṣetrasaṃnyāsa) (p. 118). A few pieces of information are highly interesting, as e. g. entering fire in eight ways (p. 205-206). It is held that the Lord of Kāśī was originally called Avimukteśvara and the name was changed into Viśveśvara in the Mughal period.

The author deserves all praise for showing exact location of almost all of the sub-tirthas and their deities existing in Kāśi. A number of pictures of some wellknown saints certainly add to the desirability of the book.

The attention of the author is drawn to a blunder. The verses in the dialogue of Pārvatī and Īśvara as given in pp. 313-320 are wrongly said to belong to the Kapilagītā in the 3rd Skandha of the Bhāgavata. Most probably they belong to some Tantric work or to an independent work called Kapilagītā having no connection with the Bhāgavata.

ACTIVITIES OF THE ALL INDIA KASHIRAJ TRUST

(January—June 1988)

Garuda Purāņa Work

The constitution of the text of the Garuḍa Purāṇa continued during this period and further fifty chapters (51-100) were completed by Dr. N. Gangadharan who visite the Purāṇa Department during the summer vacation, 1988. Dr. Gangadharan hopes to complete the work of constituting the text of the Garuḍa Purāṇa by Dec., 1988. The writing of the Critical Apparatus was taken up during this period and the Critical Apparatus of first fifteen chapters has been prepared. The Subject-concordance of the Garuḍa Purāṇa with other Purāṇas, the Rāmāyaṇa and the Mahābhārata has been prepared in draft form and it will be completed within a few months.

Critical text of the Manasakhanda

The constitution of the text of the Mānasa-Khanda of the Skanda-purāna by Dr. Ganga Sagar Rai continued during the period and further ten chapers (86-95) were completed.

Work on Śivadharma and Śivadharmottara Purāņas

The Examination of the manuscripts for the collation of these two Purāṇas is continuing.

Veda-pārāyaņa

In the whole bright half of the month of Māgha the complete Śākala Śākhā, with Samhitā, Brāhmaņa, Āraņyaka and Upaniṣad, was recited in the Vyāseśvara temple at Fort Ramnagar. The Pārāyaṇa was done by Pt. Chintamani Vishwanath Joshi Gulsundakar of Poona. Pt, Sri Ram Keshava Lokare was Śrotā. In conclusion enhanced Dakṣiṇā, certificates and traveling allowances were given to the reciter and Śrotā.

Visitors to the Purana Department

1. Ayagama Wijitha—Dai Hon Zan Eihai-ji-Betsu-In-Gakusei Ryo, 2-21-34, Nishi Ajabu, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, Japan; 13-1-88.

- 2. Mani Kaul—Chitrakoot, Altamount Road, Bombay-26. He writes: The scholarly work of the Trust is deeply impressive. Such Institutions need total support.
- 3. Dr. K. V. Sarma, M. A., D. Litt., Professor Adyar Litrary and Research Centre, Madras. He opines: Extremely impressed by the activities of the Purāṇa Department.
- 4. Dr. A. G. Kulkarni, Director, Planetorium, Science and Tech. Centre, Jaip 5; 25-5-88. He writes: The work on Purāṇas taken up by the Trust is very important and should be continued uninterruptedly. It is very encouraging to note that the editions of these important religio-secular texts is taking place in this palace. Wishing all the best.

Dr. R. N. Dandekar Honoured

A Press release from Sudasien-Institute Der Universitat Heidelberg Abteilung Fur Indologie says:

Professor R. N. Dandekar has received his doctorate from the Heidelberg university in 1938. In special deserving cases in consideration of sustained and important scholary achievements the Faculty of Oriental and Classical Studies decides to renew the doctoral degree after 50 years. On 20th Ppril 1988 the Faculty resolved to bestow the doctorate anew on Professor Dandekar for his outstanding and exemplary work in Sanskrit language and literature, Vedistics and the history of religion of India.

The ceremony of bestowal will take place in the Alte Aula (Old Hall) of the University on June 11th 1988. On this occasion Professor Dandekar will give a lecture entitled.

"Reflections on Vedic Mythology"

We Felicitate Dr. Dandekar on this Honour

ACTIVITIES OF THE SISTER TRUSTS

Maharaja Udit Narain Singh Mānasa Praehāra Nidhi

Mānasa Navahna Pārāyaņa

In the bright half of the Vaisākha Māsa, from Pratipad to Navamī (from April 17 to 25, 1988) the recitation (pārāyaṇa) of the Rāmacaritamānasa and discourses on it (pravacana) were given by eminent Vyāsas like Pt. Ram Narayana Vyasa at Kāli

temple in Chakia. His Highness Maharaj Dr. Vibhuti Narain Singh daily attended the *prvacanas*. On the concluding day *havana* and *pūjana* were performed and *prasāda* was distributed on large sclae.

Maharaja Benares Vidyamandir Nyasa Dhrupad Mela 1988

The 1988 Dhrupad Mela at Tulsi ghat (Dhrupad Teerth) Varanasi was the 14th consecutive concence. This was held on 15th & 16th February. Because of heavy rains, the 1st day's concerts ('4th Feb.) was cancelled. The Mela was inaugurated by Maharaj Kumar Anant Narain Singh. The occassion was also graced by Ustad Asad Ali Khan and Smt. Sumati Mutatkar, eminent Dhrupadias of the country. They all emphasised the importance of dhrupad and expressed their satisfaction on the impact of this mela. The function was also graced by Dr. Raghunath Singh, who released the 3rd issue of Dhrupad Annual and Prof. Veerbhadra Mishra who also spoke about the various aspect of the Dhrupad Mela. Maharaj Kumar thanked Prof. Veerbhadra Mishra for his selfless service in organising and conducting the Mela.

The musicians who participated in this Mela were: Smt. Sumati Mutatkar, Smt. Aparna Chakravarty, Pt. Siyaram Tiwari, Pt. Vidur Mallick, Raja Chhatrapati Singh, Ustad Asad Ali Khan, Pt. Mahadev Mishra, Swami Pagaldas, Shri Abhay Narayan Mallick, Pt. Jyotin Bhattacharya, Shri Ritwik Sanyal, Shri Gopal Shankar, Pawar Bandhu, Shri Asit Banerji, Shri Arun Bhattacharya, Shri Laxmi Narayan Pawar, Shri Tribhuwan Upadhyaya, Shri Gopal Chandra Pal, Shri Vibhuti Nath Mishra, Gundecha Bandhu, Brijbhushan Goswami, Shri Gunindra Mukherji, Shri Ram Kumar and Prem Kumar Mallick, Shri Ramji Upadhyaya, Manik Munde, Shrikant Mishra, Shri Babulal, Ramkumar Pathak, Rajesh Chaturvedi, Gorakh Nath Das and Saket Maharaj.

Marriage ceremony of yuvaraja Sri Anant Narain Singh

This year on Wednesday 9th March 1988 yuvaraja Sri Anant Narain Singh married the 3rd daughter of Sri Rajiva Lochan Sinha, resident of Kubauli, Distt. Samastipur (Bihar). The whole Varanasi

city was full of joy on this occasion. The phaladana ceremony was held in the Fort on 19th February 1988 and tilaka was on 5th March 1988 in the Fort. The venue of the marriage was Nadesar Palace where the family and relatives of the bride stayed. The procession of the bridegroom after the performance of the rituals and devadarsana in the Fort started at about 4 p.m. on 9th March 1988. From fort Ramnagar His Highness Maharaja Dr. Vibhuti Narain Singh accompanied by Yuvaraja Anant Narain Singh proceeded to the old Circuit house Devadarsana at Sumeru Mandir at Ramnagar. A large number of retinues joined the procession in the Ramnagr. At the start of the procession the Fort was thronged by the people from the Ramnagar and suburb. The Fort had a festive look and everyone was in joyous mood. The procession reached the old Circuit House through Assi, Sonarpura, Godowliya, Chowk, Maidagin and Lahurabir. At different places in the city reception gates were erected where citizens of Varanasi welcomed and garlanded the Maharaja and the Yuvaraja. On reaching the Old Circuit house procession was received by guests, of Varanasi and invitees. Refreshment was served to invitees there and procession started for Nadesar House. Yuvaraja Sri Anant Narain Singh was on the elephant while His Highness Maharaja kashinaresh Dr. Vibhuti Narain Singh was on ivory couch. About hundred cars were in the procession and a huge congregation of citizens joined it. From the all sides of the roads as well as from the tops of the houses people in large number were looking the procession. After dvārapūjā (reception at the brides house) at Nadesar house people dispersed. The crowd was so great and full of spirit that it became difficult to control. Arrangements for janawasa (resting place for invitees of the bridegroom) was in Sivala palace. In the procession, Pt. Kamalapatı Tripathi, Sri Shyam Lal Yadava, Minister in the Centre, Maharaja of Sirohi and of Hathwa, Brig. Rizvi, relatives of the Maharaja and officials of the district participated. In Sivala palace cultural programme was organised in which Prof. Rajam of B. H. U., Rajan-Sajan party, Sri Kishan Maharaja and Pat. Chhanu Lal Misra performed. This programme was very kindly organised by Prof. Virabhadra Mishra of the Banaras Hindu University. After the cultural programme dinner was served. In the morning of 11th March 1988 Yuvarani Sahiba entered the Fort at day break.

In the evening 11th March 1988 a garden party was organised in the Fort in which all the guests from outside, members of the academic councils of the local Universities, district officials, distinguished citizens, H. H. Maharaja Karan Singh of Jammu and Kashmir, Maharaja of Rajpipala, Maharaja Dr. Raghubir Sinh of Sitamau, Sri Shivaraj Singh ji, Shri Lakhpat Singh ji and other dignitaries participated.

In the night of 11th March 1988 a stural programme was organised in the Fort in which His Excellency Sri Mohd. Usman Arif the Governor of U. P., Maharaja Dr. Karan Singh of J. K., Maharaja Dr. Raghubir Singh of Sitamau, Maharaja Sirohi, Vice-Chancellors, district authorities of Varanasi participated. All the princes were in their ceremonial dress.

In the afternoon of March 12, 1988, a Panditasabhā was organised in the Fort in which more than 200 pandits and vaidikas participated. First of All blessing from His Holiness, the Sankaracharya of Sringeri was read which was sent through special messanger. Vedic Brahmanas chanted the Mantras. Sri V. Venkatachalam Vice-Chancellor of the Sanskrit University, Pt. Karunapati Tripathi Formerly Vice-Chancellor of the Sanskrit University, Pt. Pattabhiram Shastri, Pt. Kajahansa, and Pt. Ram Prasad Tripathi blessed the Yuvaraja on this sacred occasion. Dakṣiṇā and sweets were given to all the Brāhmaṇas.

On the evening of 13th March 1988 Pandits and students of Sanskrit Pathasalas of Varanasi in leadership of Pt. Ram Yatna Sharma, a formerly teacher of the Yuvaraja and senior academicians including Professor Nand Lal Singh, Prof. D. K. Rai, Prof. S. N. Thakur felicitated the Yuvaraja. Felicitations in Sanskrit verses and Hindi were presented to Yuvaraja. Presents were given to all the persons present on the occasion.

For a month, the Fort and the erstwhile Benares state was full of joy and happiness. All the persons serving in the Fort got dresses and increments in their salaries in commemoration of this joyful event.

Maharaja's visit of Nepal

In the last weak of March 1988 His Highness Maharaja Dr. Vibhuti Narain Singh went to Nepal to participate in the sacred thread ceremony of the Crown Prince of Nepal for which His Majesty

Maharajadhiraj Virendra invited His Highness the Maharaja of Benares. Arrangements for stay of Kashinaresh were made in Shital Niwas and the house was specially prepared in orthodox Hindu style. His Highness Maharaja Dr. Vibhuti Narain Singh and Yuvaraja Sri Anant Narain Singh were received at the Aerodrome by Sri Mahesh Kumar ji a relative of the Maharajadhiraja and H. E. Sri Arvind Ram Chandra Deva, Indian Ambassador and other officials. On the same day a delegation of Sanskrit scholars called at His Highness and discussed the problems relating to uplift of the Sanskrit. On the next day His Highness attended the Yajñopavita ceremony of the crown Prince. After return to Shital Niwas His Highness received Rajguru Pt. Ambika Prasad Upadhyaya, the Vice-President of the Sanskrit Pratishthan. His Highness also received on the same day Sri Jagdish Upadhyaya, V. C. of the Tribhuwan University and Hardeva Mishra, V. C. of the Mahendra Sanskrit University. In the evening His Highness visited the famous Buddhist tirth Svayambhunath, Foreign Deputy Secretary of Nepal, Sri Puskar Raj Bhandari accompanied His Highness in this visit. On the third day mornning His Highness and Yuvaraj went to temples of Pashupati Nath, Daksina Kali, Bhadrakali and Guhyesvan On the return from temples His Majesty the King of Nepal met His Highness in the Shital Niwas and stayed there for an hour.

On the fourth day the Vice-Chancellors of both the Universisities called at His Highness in Shital Niwas and discussed the problems relating to the popularisation of the Sanskrit. His Highness distributed the gifts to workers of the Shital Niwas, Foreign Department and drivers. His Highness presented the sacred Gaṅgājala for Nepal Naresh. The Rajguru of Nepal and officials of Nepal government gave a heartfelt send-off to His Highness the Kashinaresh and Yuvaraja.

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संस्कृतिवद्वांसोऽभ्यर्थ्यन्ते यत्ते पुराणपित्रकायां प्रकाशनार्थम् (१) पुराणगत-दर्शनशास्त्र-धर्मशास्त्रादि-विषयपरान् लेखान्, (२) पुराणोक्त-दुरूहार्थकास्पष्टार्थकवचनव्याख्यापरान् लेखांश्च प्रेषये-युरिति ।

आङ्ग्लभाषानिबद्धानां लेखानां संक्षेपाः

शिथिलानि पूर्वापरसंबन्धज्ञापकवाक्यानि संबोधनपदानि च : विष्णुब्रह्मपुराणगत-मरणोत्तरविषयपरकाध्यायप्रयुक्तानि

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ग्रन्थिवशेषयोः परस्पर-तुलनाकर्मणि ते सन्दर्भा निर्णायका भवन्ति ये एकस्मिन् ग्रन्थे वर्तन्ते नान्यस्मिन् । याः पङ्क्तय आधिक्येनैकस्मिन् दृश्यन्ते ताः प्रक्षेपभूता एवेति न निश्चयेन कथियतुं शक्यते, यतः केचन ग्रन्था बृहत्तरग्रन्थ-संक्षेपभूता इत्यपि भवितुमर्हन्ति ।

मन्मते ग्रन्थगतान्तरङ्गा संगतिनिर्णायिका भिवतुमहिति। संगतिरियं प्राक्-पश्चात्-सन्दर्भ-निर्देश्वाक्-प्रया कथा-संगत्या च प्रकटिता भवति। यद् अनुक्तमि अर्थापत्या सिद्धयित तत् 'पश्चात्-सन्दर्भः' इति; यद् उद्घोषितमिष न प्रतिपादितं तत् 'प्राक्-सन्दर्भः' इति विज्ञेयम्। यदीमौ सन्दर्भौ ऋथौ तर्हि ग्रन्थसंस्करणकाले किश्चद् दोषो जात इत्यनुमीयते।

विष्णु-ब्रह्मपुराणयोः कलिधर्म-प्रलयादिपरकाः केचनाध्याया उदाहरणरूपेण गृहीत्वा उपर्युक्तं मतं विशदीिकयते । किरिफल्महोदयेन युक्तिभिर्देशितं यद् ब्रह्मपुराणस्य इमे अध्यायाः (२३०-२३४) विष्णुपुराणीयेभ्योऽध्यायेभ्यः (६।१-५) प्राचीनतरा इति । स्वल्पकलेवरत्वं ब्रह्मपुराणस्य हेतुत्वेनोपन्यस्तं किरिफल्महोदयेन । (किरिफल्-मतसमीक्षाकरणात् प्राक् लेखकेन उभयोः पुराणयोः सदृशाना-मध्यायानां क्रत्स्नो निर्देशो दत्तः) ।

लेखकेनेत्थं विचारितम्—वैष्णवे ब्राह्मे च पुराणे कलिस्वभाव उक्तः; अनयोर्व्यासिविषयिणी काचित् कथापि प्रोक्ता । उभयत्र प्रक्ष्माः कृताः, उत्तराणि च प्रदत्तानि । प्रक्ष्मोत्तरयोः संख्यायां या संगतिविसंगतिर्वा दृष्टा, (प्राक्-प्रश्चात्-संबन्धदर्शक-सन्दर्भ यत् शैथिल्यं तदधारेण) या च भिन्नता शब्दविशेषप्रयोगे दृष्टा, तदाधारेणेदं निर्णेतुं शक्यते यद् ब्रह्मपुराणगतं विवरणं कस्माच्चित् पुराणात् समाहृतम् इति । इदमपि च निर्णीतं यद् विष्णुपुराणत एव विवरणमिदं ब्रह्म-पुराणकारः समाहृतवानिति; सन्ति च ब्रह्मपुराणे कानिचन प्रक्षिप्तानि वाक्यानि ।

संबोध्यजनसंबद्धः तिङन्तपदप्रयोगवैषम्येण चापि उपर्युक्तं मतं सिद्धं भवतीति बहु भिरुदाहरणैर्दिशितम् । ब्रह्मपुराणे मुनयः खलु श्रोतारः । एवं सत्यपि श्रोतृत् अभिलक्ष्य एकवचनान्तं पदं कचित् प्रयुक्तं दृश्यते । विष्णुपुराणे पुनः एक एव श्रोताः अतएव एकवचनान्तं संबोधनपदमत्र सुसंगतं भवति, न ब्रह्मपुराणे । एतेन गम्यते विष्णुपुराणम् एव ब्रह्मपुराणगतविवरणस्य मूलभूतम् । उभयोः पुराणयोः सन्ति अत्यन्तसदृशानि वचनानि । एतेषु वचनेषु संबुद्धचन्ता मुनि-महाबुद्धि-द्विजादिशब्दा एकवचने बहुवृत्तने च प्रयुक्ताः । वचनप्रयोगे यद् वैचित्रयं वैषम्यं वा दृश्यते तस्य समाधानं तदेव सुष्ठु कर्तुं शक्यते यदा 'ब्रह्मपुराणगतं विवरणं विष्णुपुराणतः समाहृतम्' इत्यास्थीयते ।

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सूर्योपासकसंप्रदायस्येदं वैशिष्ट्यं यदयं वैदेशिकपूजकसंप्रदायिवशेषेण सह अपृथ्यपूपेण संबद्धः सन् पुरैव विकासमापन्नः । विदेशमूलका भारतीयसूर्योपासका मग-भोजक-वाचक-याजक-पूजकादिशब्दैरभिलप्यन्तेः उत्तरभारतीयाः शाकद्वीपीय-ब्राह्मण-नामधेया अपि सूर्यपूजकाः । एतान् सूर्योपासकान् अधिकृत्य किञ्चिद्द्रनशत-द्वयवर्षम् अभिव्याप्य बहु विचारितं गवेषकैः । भारतीयसूर्योपासनाक्षेत्रे वैदेशिक-पूजकानाम् एक एव वर्गं आसीद्, अथवा भारतीयसूर्यपूजकानां मग-भोजकनामानौ द्वौ वर्गौ आस्ताम् (यथा स्टाइटेनकर्ननामा विद्वान् प्रतिपादयित) इत्यत्र विचार्यते ।

एतन्महोदयमतानुसारेण साम्बपुराणमूलभूतांशस्य कर्ता भोजकैः सह न सम्यक् परिचित आसीत् । यद्यपि मुद्रिते पुराणे भोजकशब्दो वर्तते, तथापि हस्तलेखे शब्दोऽयं न दृश्यते । पुराणग्रन्थमुद्रकेण भविष्यपुराणप्रभावेण मूलपुराण-पाठः परिवर्तित इत्यनुमीयते ।

मगानां भोजकानां चोत्पित्तिभिन्ना, अनयोः धार्मिकं कृत्यं सामाजिकी स्थितिश्च पुराणानुसारेण भिन्ने इति ज्ञायते। मगा वेद-प्रामाण्यमभ्युपगच्छिन्ति, भोजकानां स्वकीयो वेदोऽस्ति, जरथुस्ट्रवंशीया वयमिति ते कथयन्ति, नेमे ब्राह्मणधर्मे समाविष्टाः। भोजकेतिशब्दः पारसीकशब्दविशेषादुत्पन्नः। आभि-र्युक्तिमिः 'विदेशमूलकानां भारतीयसूर्योपासकानां हो वर्गौ परस्परंभिद्येते' इति स्टाइटेनकर्नमहोदयः प्रतिपादयति ।

वस्तुतः साम्बपुराणमूलभूताध्यायानां लेखको भोजकैः सह परिचित आसीदित्यभ्पुपेयमेवः स मग-भोजकादिभिः सहापि परिचित आसीदिति विज्ञायते । एषां परस्परं यः स्वल्पो भेदः सोऽप्यनेन विज्ञात इत्यत्र न संशयलेशः । पुराणेऽस्मिन् नेदृशं किमप्युक्तं येन भारतीयसूर्योपासकानां परस्पृत्तिम्ना वर्गद्वयसत्ता सिध्येत् ।

मग-भोजकानामुत्पत्तिविषये यत् पार्थंक्यं दिशतं स्टाइटेनकर्नमहोदयेन, तन्न इतिहासदृशा न वा पुराणदृशा सिध्यति—इति विस्तरेण दिशतं लेखकेन । भोजकशब्दस्य पारसीकशब्दिवशेषजातत्वमिष न वाङ्मयप्रामाण्येन सिध्यति । वस्तुतो मग-भोजकयोर्भेदो बाह्यः, प्रातिभासिकश्च । भोजकमात्रसंबद्धा आचारा न सन्तीति विज्ञेयम् ।

इदं प्रतिभाति यद् भिवष्यपुराणरचनाकाले मैगि-पुरोहितानां तिस्रो धारा भारतवर्षे समागताः, प्रतिष्ठां च लब्धवत्यः । जरथुस्ट्रधर्मावलिम्बनां पारसीकाना-मिष प्रभावो भारतवर्षे समजिन । केचन जरथुस्ट्रीयाः केचन च बहिर्देशीया अत्र सूर्यंपूजका जाता इति संभव्यते । कालेऽस्मिन् तान्त्रिकधर्मस्य संमिश्रणं धर्मान्तरैः सह जातिमिति निश्चप्रचम्

सामाजिकमर्यादाक्षेत्रे मगभोजकयोर्यद् वैषम्यं तन्न वर्गद्वयस्य परस्परिभन्नत्वं साधयति—इति इतिवृत्ततो ज्ञायते। भोजकशब्दस्थले मगशब्दस्य शाकद्वीपीय-शब्दस्य च प्रयोगः सहेतुकः। शाकद्वीपीय-ब्राह्मणा मगा वा स्वजात्यभिमानवन्तो दृश्यन्ते पूर्वभारतेः इमे फलितज्योतिषायुर्वेदादिष्वभिज्ञाः।

भारतीयसूर्योपासकानां द्वौ वर्गौ परस्परं भिन्नावास्ताम् इति केनापि हेतुना न सिध्यति । वैदेशिकसूर्योपासकानामेक एव संप्रदाय आसीद् ये भारतेवर्षे तिसृभिर्धाराभिः समागता यथाकालम्, ऐतिहासिकहेतुतो नामधेयेनाभिद्यन्त च । भारते विदेशमूलक-सूर्योपासकानामेकलैव परम्परा । अलबेरुणिनापि तथैवोक्तम् । एतेन गम्यते यत् स्टाइटेनकनंमहोदयस्य मतं कल्पनाप्रभवम् इतिहासदृष्ट्यानुपपन्नं च ।

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वाचस्पितकृतायां भामतीटीकायां (योगबलोदाहरणप्रस्तावे) पठ्यते— "तथा चाहुरागिमनः को हि योगप्रभावादृते अगस्त्य इव समुद्धं पिबित स इव दण्डकारण्यं सृजिति"। एतदनुरूपः किश्चत् पाठो वाचस्पितकृतायां तात्पर्यटीकाया-मिप दृश्यते।

अनयोर्वाक्ययोरिदमुक्तं यद् योऽगस्त्यः समुद्रपानकर्ता, स एव दण्डकारण्य-स्यापि स्रष्टा । कथनिमदमसगतं यतः पुराणेषु अगस्त्यस्य समुद्रपानकारित्वम् उक्तं, न पुनदंण्डकारण्यसर्जनम् । दण्डकारण्यविषयिणी या पौराणिकी कथा विभूति-प्रसंगे उदाहर्तुमुचिता, सा एतदरण्यनाशपरका, यो नाशः शुक्रेण कृतः (कन्याव-मानात् कृद्धः सन् शुक्रो दण्डराजं शशाप—सप्तरात्रव्यापिना पांशुवर्षेण तव राज्यं नाशमेतु इति) । अतो भामती-तात्पर्यटीका-ग्रन्थद्वर्यम् वाक्ये 'स इव' इत्यत्र 'शुक्र इव' इति पठनीयम्; 'सृजती'त्यिप संशोधनीयम्, परन्तु केन शुद्धपाठेनात्र भवितव्यमिति चिन्तनीयम् ।

संशोधनिमदं संगतमेवेति व्यासभाष्यदर्शनतोऽपि (४।१०) विज्ञायते ।

अस्य पाठभ्रंशस्य को हेतुरिति न सम्यग् विज्ञायते । इदं प्रतीयते यद् योगपरम्परायां दण्डकारण्यसृष्टिपराऽपि काचित् कथा प्रचिलतासीत् । सा कथा भ्रमाद् अगस्त्येन सह संबद्धा जाता, सुप्रचिलता च । एतत्कथासंस्कारविद्धः पाठकैः टीकाद्वयगतवाक्ययोः परिवर्तनं कृतिमिति संभाव्यते । वस्तुतः पाठभ्रश-हेतुनिधरिणीयो विद्धिद्धिरिति ।

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अस्मिन् कार्यावधौ गरुडपुराणस्य पाठिनधौरण य प्रचलित स्म । अग्रिमाणां पञ्चाशदध्यायानां (५१-१००) पाठिनधौरणं जातम् । अस्मिन् अवधौ पाठसमीक्षो-पकरणस्य लेखनकार्यं प्रारब्धम् । अद्यावधि आदितः पञ्चदशाध्यायानां पाठसमीक्षो-पकरणलेखनं संपूर्णम् । ग्रीष्मावकाशे संपादको डा० एन्० गङ्गाधरन् महोदयः पुराणिवभागे समागतः । संपादकमहोदयः आशास्ते यद् दिसम्बर १९८८ ई० यावद् गरुडपुराणस्य समग्रस्य आचारकाण्डस्य पाठसंपादनकार्यं पूर्णतां गमिष्यिति । गरुडपुराणस्येतरपुराणैः सह इतिहासग्रन्थाभ्यां च सह विषयसंवादलेखनकार्यमिप पूर्णतां प्राप्तम् । शोध्रमेव तस्य पुनरोक्षणकार्यमिप पूर्णतां गमिष्यिति ।

स्कन्दपुर।णान्तर्गतस्य मानसखण्डस्य पाठसंपादनम्

अस्मिन् अवधौ स्कन्दपुरणान्तर्गतमानसखण्डस्य अग्रिमाणां दशाध्यायानां (८६-९५) पाठसंपादनं पूर्णं जातम् । एषामध्यायानां पाठसमीक्षोपकरणमिष् लिखितम् ।

शिवधर्मपुराणस्य शिवधर्मोत्तरपुरागस्य च कार्यम्

अस्मिन् अवधौ अनयोः पुराणयोः पाठसंपादनिमित्तं हस्तलेखानां परीक्षणं जातम् ।

वेदपारायणम्

माघमासस्य संपूर्णे शुक्ले पक्षे रामनगरदुर्गस्थिते व्यासेश्वरमन्दिरे ऋग्वेदीय-शाकलशाखायाः संहिताब्राह्मणारण्यकोपनिषदां संपूर्णं पारायणं संपन्नम् । पारा-यणकर्ता पूनानगरवास्तव्यः श्रीचिन्तामणिविश्वनाथजोशीगुलसुन्दकरमहाभागः आसीत् । पारायणस्य भ्रोता श्रीरामकेशवलोकरे महाभागः आसीत् । पारायण-समाप्तौ उभाभ्यां दक्षिणा, प्रमाणपत्रं, मार्गव्ययादिकं च प्रदत्तम् ।

पुराणविभागे आगता विद्वांसः

 श्रो अयागम विजितमहोदय:-जापानदेशस्य टोक्योनगर वास्तब्यः १३-१-८८ दिनाङ्के । २. श्री मणिकौलमहोदयः—चित्रकूट, बम्बई, इत्यत्रत्यः—एष महाभागो दर्शक-पुस्तिकायां लिखिति—न्यासस्य वैदुष्यपूर्णकार्यमतीव प्रभावपूर्णमस्ति । एता-दृशसंस्थानानि पूर्णसाहाय्यमपेक्षन्ते ।

३. डा॰ के॰ वी॰ शर्मा, अङ्यार लाइब्रेरी मद्रास इत्यत्रत्यः प्राध्यापकः । तस्य विचारोऽस्ति—पुराणविभागस्य कार्यजातेन सुतरां प्रभावितोऽस्मि ।

४. डा० ए० जी० कुलकर्णी, जयपुरस्थितस्य नक्षत्रगृहस्य निदेशकः २५-५-८८ दिनाङ्के । स लिखित पूराणिवभागेन क्रियमाणं पुराणकार्यं वैदुष्यपूर्णंमस्ति इदं कार्यमबाधगितना मिवितुमहित इदं प्रसन्नताजनकमस्ति यदत्र एषां धार्मिकसामाजिकग्रन्थानां प्रकाशनं भविति । अहमस्य साफल्यं कामये ।

'पुराणम्' पत्रिकायाः संपादको डाँ० रामचन्द्रनारायण-दाण्डेकरमहाभागः सम्मानितः

जर्मंनीदेशस्य सुडासियेन इन्स्टीच्यूट डेर यूनिर्वासटाट हाइडेलवर्ग, अब्टेलुङ्क फुर इण्डोलाजी, इत्यस्य सूचनाऽस्ति

प्राध्यापकः आर० एन० दाण्डेकरमहोदयः हाइडेलवर्गविश्वविद्यालयतः १९३८ ई० वर्षे स्व'डाक्टरेट' इत्युपाधि प्राप्तवान् । पञ्चाशद्वर्षाणामनन्तरं सतत-वैदुष्यपूर्णं उपलब्धेः विचारणेन विशिष्टयोग्यतावस्थायां प्राच्यसंस्कृतसंकायः 'डाक्टरेट' उपाधेः नवीनीकरणार्थं निर्णयं करोति १००० अप्रैल १९८८ दिनाङ्के संकायः प्राध्यापकस्य दाण्डेकरमहोदयस्यसंस्कृतसाहित्ये भाषायां वेदविषये तथा भारतीयधर्मेतिहासविषये च वैदुष्यपूर्णकार्यंनिमित्तं डाक्टरेट उपाधेः नवीनी-करणार्थं निर्णयमकरोत्।

उपाधिप्रदानसमारोहः अल्टे औल (प्राचीनभवनं) इत्यत्र ११ जून १९८८ दिनाङ्के भविष्यति । अस्मिन् अवसरे प्राध्यापकदाण्डेकरमहोदयः 'वैदिकपुराकथा-विषये' व्याख्यानं दास्यति ।

अस्मिन् सम्मानावसरे वयं डा० दाण्डेकर महाभागस्याभिनन्दनं कुर्मः।

सहयोगिन्यासानां कार्यविवरणम्

(१) महाराज उदितनारायणींसह मानसप्रचारनिधिः रामचरितमानसस्य नवाह्मपारायणम्

वैक्रमीये २०४५ वर्षं शुक्ले पक्षे प्रतिपत्तिथिमारभ्य नवमीं तिथि यावत् (अप्रैल १७-२५, १९८८ ई०) चिकया स्थिते कालीमन्दिरे गोस्वामितुलसीदास-विरचितस्य रामचरितमानसस्य नवाह्नपारायणं प्रवचनं च जातम् । रामचरित-

मानसस्य कथाविषये पं० रामनारायणव्यासप्रभृतीनां विशिष्टानां व्यासानां प्रवचनमभूत् । तत्र भवन्तः काशिनरेशा महाराजा डा॰ विभूतिनारायणसिंह शर्म-देवाः प्रतिदिनं प्रवचनेषु उपस्थिता आसन्। प्रवचनेषु श्रोतृणां महान् संमर्दः आसीत् । पारायणसमाप्तौ हवनपूजनप्रसादिवतरणादिकं च जातम् ।

(२) महाराज बनारस विद्यामन्दिरन्यासः ध्रपदमेला

अस्मिन् वर्षे अनेन न्यासेन १५-१६ फरवरी दिनाङ्कृयोः वाराणस्यां तुलसीघट्टे ध्रपदमेलाया आयोजनं जातम् । एषा मेला प्रतिवर्षं त्रिदिवसात्मिका भवति किन्त्वस्मिन् वर्षे वर्षाधिक्यात् सा प्रथमदिने (स्थगिता) मेलाया उद्घाटनं पूर्ववदिसमन्निप वर्षे युवराजेन श्रीमदनन्तनारायणसिहशर्मणा दोपप्रज्वालनेन कृतम् । युवराजेन स्वोद्घाटनभाषणे ध्रुपदगायनस्य महत्त्वमस्यायोजनस्य दूरगामी प्रभावश्च प्रदर्शितः । युवराजेन मेलाया आयोजनार्थं तत् प्रबन्धनिर्वाहार्थं च तुलसी घट्टस्य महन्तः प्रो० वीरभद्रमिश्रः धन्यवादैर्योजितः । अस्मिन् अवसरे ध्रुपदवार्षिकी पत्रिकायाः तृतीयाङ्कस्योद्घाटनं वयोवृद्धेन विदुषा डा० रघुनाथसिहमहाभागेन कृतम् । एष महाभागः स्वकोयास्वास्थ्यमिवगणय्य मेलायामुपस्थित आसीत् । अस्मिन्नवसरे श्रीमत्या सुमितमुटाटकर महाभागया, प्रो॰ वीरभद्रमिश्र महोदयेन च स्वविचाराः प्रकटिताः।

अस्मिन् आयोजने अधोनिर्दिष्टाः कलाकारा सम्मिलिता आसन्-

श्रीमती सुमितमुटाटकर, श्रीमती अपर्णा चक्रवर्ती, पं० श्रीरामितवारी, पं० विदुरमिललक, राजा छत्रपति सिंह, उस्ताद असद अली खाँ, पं० महादेव मिश्र, स्वामी पागलदास, श्री अभयनारायणमिललक, पं० ज्योतिन भट्टाचार्य, श्रीऋत्विक् सन्याल, श्रीगोपालशङ्कर, पवारबन्धु, श्रीअसितबनर्जी श्री अरुणभट्टाचार्य, श्री लक्ष्मीनारायणपवार, श्रीत्रिभुवन उपाध्याय, श्रीगोपाल चन्द्रपाल, श्रोविभृतिनाथ मिश्र, श्रीगुण्डेचाबन्धु, व्रजभूषणगोस्वामी, श्रीगुणोन्द्र मुकर्जी श्रीरामकुमार मिलक, श्रीप्रेमकुमारमिललक, श्रीरामजी उपाध्याय, माणिकमुण्डे, श्रीकान्त मिश्र, श्रीबाबू-लाल, श्रीरामकुमार पाठक, श्रीराजेश चतुर्वेदी, श्रीगोरखनाथ दास तथा श्रीसाकेत महाराज।

युवराजस्य श्री अनन्तनारायणसिंहस्य शुभविवाहोतसवः

अस्मिन् वर्षे बुधवासरे ९ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्के युवराजस्य श्रीमतः अनन्तनारायणसिंहशर्मणः कुबौलीग्रामवास्तव्यस्य श्रीराजीवलोचन सिन्हा शर्मणः कनिष्ठया कुभार्या सह शुभविवाहः संपन्नः। अस्मिन् अवसरे संपूर्णमेव काशी-नगरमानन्दभरितमासीत्। अस्मिन् विवाहप्रसङ्गे फलदानसमारोहः पूर्वाह्ने १९

फरवरी १९८८ दिनाङ्के तिलकसमारोहश्च ५ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्के रात्री संपन्नी । विवाहस्थलं वाराणस्यां नन्देश्वरप्रासादः आसीत् यत्र कन्यापक्षीयजना निवासिता आसन् । वरयात्रा दिनाङ्क ९ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्के रामनगरदुर्गे लोकाचारं देवदर्शनं च निर्वत्य अपराह्ले प्रायः ४ वादनकाले प्रारब्धा । दुर्गपरिसरे युवराजः शिविकारूढ आसीत् । दुर्गात् तत्र भवन्तः काशिनरेशाः मोटरयानमारुह्य युवराजेन सह रामनगरस्थं सुमेरुमन्दिरं गत्वा देवदर्शनं च कृत्वा बहुषु मोटरयानेषु आरुढैः जनैरगम्यमानः वार्गणसीस्थप्राचीनातिथिनिवासं प्रति (ओल्ड सिंकट-हाऊस) प्रस्थिताः । रामनगर्दुगें वरयात्राया दर्शनार्थं रामनगरीयजनानां समीप-र्वितग्राम्यजनानां च महान् संमर्दः आसीत्। एषा वरयात्रा अस्सी, सोनारपुर, गोदौलिया, चौक, मैदागिन, लहुराबीर मार्गेण अतिथिगृहं गता। नगरे विविध-स्थलेषु नगरवासिभः स्वागतद्वाराणि निर्मितानि आसन् यत्र नागरजनैः स्वागतं माल्यार्पणं च कृतम्। अतिथिनिवासे पूर्वागतैः अतिथिभिः विशिष्टजनैश्च महाराजानां युवराजस्य च स्वागतं कृतम् । अतिथिगृहे अल्पाहारानन्तरं नन्देश्वरप्रासादाय वरयात्रा प्रारब्धा । अस्यां यात्रायां तत्र भवन्तः काशिनरेशा हस्तिदन्तिर्मिताश्व-वाह्यरथे आसन् युवराजश्च गजारूढ आसीत्। पृष्ठतः शताधिकानि मोटरयानानि आसन् । बहुसंख्याका नागरिकाः पदातिनोऽप्यासन् । राजमार्गस्य चतुर्दिक्षु प्रासादेषु च असंख्या जना वरयात्राया अवलोकनमभिनन्दनं च चक्रः। पश्चात् नन्देश्वरप्रासादे द्वारपूजाऽनन्तरं ते स्वाधिष्ठानं प्रति गताः। नन्देश्वरप्रसम्दे एतादृशो महान् जनसंमदं आसीत् यत् तस्य नियन्त्रणमपि क्षणं यावत् कठिनमासीत् । अस्मिन् अवसरे वरिष्ठो राजनेता पण्डित कमलापित त्रिपाठो, केन्द्रीयमन्त्री श्रीश्यामलाल यादवः, महाराज-हथुआ, महाराज सिरोही, तत्र भवतां काशिनरेशानां संबन्धिनः च उपस्थिता आसन्। जनवासा (वरपक्षीयानां निवासस्थलं) शिवाला दुर्गे आसीत् यत्र सांस्कृतिक-कार्यक्रमः संपन्नः । सांस्कृतिककार्यक्रमे प्रो० राजम्, श्री छन्नूलालिमश्रः, राजन-साजन दलम्, श्री किशन महाराजश्च, स्वकौशलं प्रविशतवन्तः। सांस्कृतिककार्यः क्रमस्य संयोजकः प्रो० वीरभद्रमिश्र आसीत्। सांस्कृतिककार्यक्रमानन्तरं भोजनं संपन्नम्।

११ मार्च १९८८ दिनाङ्कस्य प्रभातवेलायां युवराज्ञी दुर्गं प्रविष्टा। तस्मिन्नेव दिने सायंकाले दुर्गे उद्यानगोष्ठी आयोजिता जाता। यस्यां काश्मीराधिपो महाराज कर्णसिंहः, सीतामऊ-मालवानरेशः महाराजो डा० रघुबीरसिंहः वाराणस्या अधिकारिणः विश्वविद्यालयानां शिक्षाविदः संभ्रान्ता नागरजनाश्च सम्मिलिता-बभूवुः।

११ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्कस्य रात्रिकाले दुर्गे सांस्कृतिक कार्यंक्रमस्य रात्रिभोजस्य च आयोजनमासीत् । अस्मिन् अवसरे ओडसीनृत्यस्य विश्रुतः कला-कारः सोनलमानसिंह स्वकलां प्रदर्शयामास । अस्मिन् आयोजने उत्तरप्रदेशस्य महा-

महिमराज्यपालः श्रो मुहम्मद उस्मान आरिफ महोदयः, काश्मोराधोशः महाराजः कर्णसिंह महोदयः अन्ये नरेशाः विश्वविद्यालयानां कुलपतयः, जिलाधिकारिणः, विशिष्टनागरिकाश्च उपस्थिता आसन्। अस्मिन् आयोजने उपस्थिता नरेशा विशिष्टपरिधाने आसन् येन आयोजनस्य महत्त्वं छटा च विशिष्टा आसीत्।

१२ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्कस्य अपराह्णे दुर्गे विद्वत्सभा आयोजिता जाता यस्यां द्विशताधिका विशिष्टा विद्वांसः वैदिकाश्च सम्मिलिता आसन्। वैदिकैः सर्वषां वेदानां मन्त्रैः युवराजस्य अस्मिन् मङ्गलावसरे अभिनन्दनं कृतम् । संपूर्णा-नन्दसंस्कृतविश्वविद्यालयस्य कुलपितः डा० वी० वेङ्कृदाचलम्, तस्यैव विश्वविद्या-लयस्य पूर्वः कुलपतिः पं० करुणापतित्रिपाठो, पण्डितपट्टाभिरामशास्त्री, पण्डित रामप्रसादित्रपाठी, पण्डित राजहंसश्च पण्डितानां प्रतिनिधिरूपेण ब्राह्मविवाहस्य महत्त्वं प्रदर्श्य युवराजं आशोभिः योजयामासुः। पण्डितसभाया आरम्भे जगद्गुरु-श्रुङ्गरोशंकराचार्याणां विशेषप्रतिनिधिद्वाराप्रेषितमाशीर्वचनं पठितम् । कार्यक्रमस्य संचालनं श्रीविश्वेश्वरद्राविडमहोदयेन कृतम्।

१३ मार्च १९८८ ई० दिनाङ्कस्य अपराह्णे काशिकसंस्कृतपाठशालाना-मध्यापकैः छात्रैः विशिष्टविद्वभिश्च युवराजस्याभिनन्दनं कृतम् । अस्यायोजनस्य संचालकः युवराजस्य पूर्वाध्यापकः पण्डितरामयतनशर्मा आसोत् । नारिकेलप्रदान-पूर्वकमाल्यापणं कृत्वा देववाण्यां हिन्दीभाषायां च अभिनन्दनपत्रं युवराजाय सर्मापतम् । वयोवृद्धेन विदुक्ष्णे० नन्दलालीसहमहोदयेन, प्रो० देवेन्द्रकुमारराय-महोदयेन, प्रो० सूर्यनारायणठाकुरमहोदयेनापि अस्मिन् अवसरे युवराजस्याभि-नन्दनं कृतम्।

महाराजैः काश्चिनरेशैः डा० विभूतिनारायणसिंहशर्मदेवैः वेदाध्ययनस्य महत्त्वं प्रतिपाद्य धन्यवादाः वितरिताः । सर्वेषामुपस्थितविदुषां मिष्ठान्नेन वस्त्रेण च सत्कारः विहितः।

अस्मिन् विवाहोत्सवे मासं यावत् वाराणस्यां, पूर्वकाशिराज्ये च महान् आनन्दोत्सवः आसीत् । विवाहोपलक्षे सर्वेभ्यः कर्मचारिभ्यो वस्त्राणि वितरितानि तेषां वेतने च वृद्धिः कृता।

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भारतीय राजदूत श्री अरविन्दरामचन्द्रदेवमहोदयेन, नेपालशासनस्य विशिष्टा-धिकारिभिश्च कृतम् । काशिनरेशानां निवासः शीतलिनवासे अभूत यस्य सज्जा सनातनधर्मावलम्बिगृहस्थस्य निवासानुरूपा कृता आसीत्। प्रथमे एव दिवसे सायंकाले संस्कृतविदुषामेकं मण्डलं महाराजैः सह मिलितोऽभवत् । संस्कृतविद्यायाः प्रसारिवषये विमर्शः कृतः । अपरिदने पूर्वाह्ने १० वादनकाले महाराजाः यज्ञोप-वीतसंस्कारे समाविष्टाः। तस्मिन् एव दिने राजगुरुः श्री अम्बिकाप्रसाद अधि-कारो, श्रीजगदीश उपाध्यायः, त्रिभुवनविश्वविद्यालयस्य कुलपतिः तथा श्रीहरदेव मिश्रः, महेन्द्रसंस्कृतविश्वविक्शान्यस्य कुलपित महाराजैः सह मिलता अभवन् । ते संस्कृतोत्थानविषये विमर्शं कृतवन्तः। सायंकाले महाराजा विश्रुतबौद्धतीर्थस्य स्वयम्भूनाथस्यावलोकनं कृतवन्तः । अस्यां यात्रायां नेपालस्य उपपरराष्ट्रसचिवः श्रीपुष्करराजभण्डारीमहोदयः महाराजैः सह स्वयम्भूनाथतीर्थम् अगच्छत्। तृतीय-दिवसे प्रातःकाले महाराजा युवराजेन सह पशुपतिनाथ-गुह्यकाली-दक्षिणकाली प्रभृति मन्दिरेषु देवदर्शनं कृतवन्तः । देवदर्शनानन्तरं नेपालनरेशाः शीतलनिवा-समागत्य महाराजैः सह मिलिताः आसन् । अत्र नेपालनरेशा घटिकाद्वयपर्यन्तं महाराजैः सह वार्तालापं चकुः। तस्मिन्निप दिने सार्यकाले संस्कृतिवद्वांसः महाराजैः सह वार्तालापं चक्रः।

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