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Preface

Aims and problems

What is the *raison d'être* of this edition? It is essentially a new copy, a carefully prepared new version of a mediæval Sanskrit text called *Vṛṣasāra-saṃgraha*, based on multiple witnesses, augmented with an analysis of its contents, contextualisation, and an annotated English translation. As for the critical edition, while I went to great lengths to understand the textual history behind the manuscripts used, it is, quite obviously, a deeply contaminated version of a text transmitted through contaminated witnesses. Nevertheless, I hope that this version comes as close as possible to what the authors' and redactors' original intentions might have been at the time of assembling these chapters—approximately between the seventh and tenth centuries.

Of course, we do not know if there was a single moment when the intention to compose a new text on Dharma—i.e., 'Hindu' religious duties—under the title *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* was conceived, or whether there was one single 'original copy,' but the present edition definitely aims to be the most meaningful and most readable among all available copies.

Still, this book is only a version of a text that likely never existed exactly in this form, inevitably displaying signs of being an eclectic edition. Moreover, it may unintentionally exhibit characteristics of the twenty-first century (beyond the modern Devanāgarī typeface or occasional choices shaped by our contemporary understandings—and misunderstandings) mixed with characteristics of the first millennium. We know that '[a]ll editing is an act of interpretation.' Many of the editorial decisions I made were

¹ This reminds us of James McLaverty's famous question (as quoted in McGann 1991, 9): 'If the Mona Lisa is in the Louvre in Paris, where is Hamlet?'

² McGann 1991, 27.

influenced by, sometimes based on, opinions expressed by colleagues during our regular Śivadharma reading sessions. Thus, this edition is a result of the interpretative efforts of a group of scholars—and this may sometimes, though hopefully rarely, have led to contradictions. All remaining shortcomings are, of course, my responsibility.

To complicate matters further, we are publishing this long text in two volumes, with the second volume still in progress when the first is released. This may produce various problems: of interpretation, of internal references, of repetition, and, most importantly, of presenting a text with embedded and recurring layers cut in half. To mitigate some of these issues, I completed the editing and study of the most significant chapters in the second part of the text before finishing the first part (although, as the editorial process progresses, all chapters seem increasingly significant). A further, minor issue arises when I discuss topics that I have already covered in Kiss 2021: some overlap is inevitable.

What, then, is the purpose of this edition? The main objective of the ŚIVADHARMA PROJECT has been to better understand the function of individual texts within the so-called Śivadharma corpus—as well as their relations and interconnectedness, or their lack thereof—and thus to grasp the *raison d'être* of the corpus itself. My attempt here is rather modest: to understand what the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* tried to convey when it was composed, and to explore why this text came to be inserted into the multipletext manuscripts that transmit the so-called Śivadharma corpus. But even if we do not fully understand the purpose and function of the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha*, to make a pre-eleventh-century Sanskrit text easily accessible in the twenty-first century is, I believe, a noble aspiration.

And as a bonus, the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* is a colourful and fascinating text that never fails to intrigue and entertain its reader: it contains philosophical and yogic teachings, and fanciful narratives, in a lovely dialect of Sanskrit, clues for understanding the history of Śaivism and its intermingling with Vaiṣṇavism, as well as swearing and humour. Enjoy!

Introduction

Śivadharma corpus

The *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* is a 24-chapter-long Sanskrit Śaiva text of the so-called Śivadharma corpus. We have no evidence that it was ever transmitted independently of this collection of texts, which has come down to us in multiple-text manuscripts typically containing the following eight works: Śivadharmaśāstra (ŚDhŚ), Śivadharmottara (ŚDhU), Śivadharmasaṃgraha (ŚDhSaṃgr), *Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda* (UMS), *Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda* (UUMS), *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* (VSS), *Dharmaputrikā* (DhP), and the Śivopaniṣad (ŚivaUp). In addition, there is no sign of the VSS's transmission outside Nepal.

Much has now been written on the corpus itself and on the individual texts it comprises. For an introduction, an overview of the secondary literature, a nearly up-to-date bibliography, and the results of recent research related to the Śivadharma, see De Simini and Kiss 2021. Important publications that appeared after the release of that volume include Harimoto 2022 on the Munich manuscript (MS M) and the formation of the Śivadharma corpus, and Bisschop et al. 2025, which offers a critical edition, translation, and analysis of chapter ten of the Śivadharmaśāstra.

Since the VSS's links to other texts of the corpus—except possibly the *Dharmaputrikā*—are relatively weak, I will refer to the Śivadharma corpus and its texts only when they are relevant for the present inquiry.

 $^{^3\,}$ For cases that may seem exceptions (Ko $_{76}$ and K $_{41})$ see the manuscript descriptions on pp. 61ff.

Title

The title *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha*⁴ can be translated as 'Compendium on the Essence of the Bull [of Dharma].' The last two elements (*sāra-saṃgraha*) need little explanation: this work is a 'compendium,' a 'collection' (*saṃ-graha*) of the 'essence' (*sāra*), or 'summary,' of a topic—that is, a distilled version of relevant teachings. The words 'compendium' and 'collection' clearly reflect the composite nature of the VSS; see details on the structure of the text and on its possible sources on pp. 11ff.

The remaining question is whether the bull in the title is only a reference to a representation of Dharma or whether it also hints at Śiva's bull, his vehicle or mount, sometimes called Nandi or Nandin in other works.⁵

Dharma is frequently referred to as a bull, often depicted as losing a leg in every Kalpa. This portrayal appears in Dharma literature from at least the time of the *Mahābhārata*; see, e.g., MBh 3.188.10–12, ⁶ and *Manu* 1.81a (*catuṣpāt sakalo dharmaḥ*) and 8.16a (*vṛṣo hi bhagavān dharma*). In addition, in Śaiva contexts, the bull of Dharma does feature as Śiva's vehicle. See, e.g., Bakker's argument, who, after analysing seals containing images of bulls, remarks:⁸

The topicality of the Śaiva accommodation of the Dharma in the second half of the sixth century is nicely illustrated by a myth found in the original *Skandapurāṇa*[; ...] the uncontrollable, wild bull (*vṛṣa*) is domesticated by Śiva's Gaṇapa Prabhākara [...] In this way the bull is transformed into Śiva's

⁴ Read Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha for Vṛttasārasaṅgraha in Petech 1984, 84.

⁵ There is no trace of Nandi/Nandin as identified with the bull in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃ-graha*. On the possible time after which Nandi or Nandin, originally a *gaṇa*, was considered a bull, see Bhattacharya 1977 and Goodall et al. 2005, 100–108 and 171–172.

⁶ kṛte catuṣpāt sakalo nirvyājopādhivarjitaḥ | vṛṣaḥ pratiṣṭhito dharmo manuṣyeṣv abhavat purā || adharmapādaviddhas tu tribhir aṃśaiḥ pratiṣṭhitaḥ | tretāyāṃ dvāpare 'rdhena vyāmiśro dharma ucyate || tribhir aṃśair adharmas tu lokān ākramya tiṣṭhati || caturthāṃśena dharmas tu manuṣyān upatiṣṭhati ||

⁷ See, e.g., Couture 2006. Gutiérrez (2018) sums up the trope thus (in the section 'In animal terms'): 'The emphasis on the whole body, with all four legs, assures the maintenance of stability in dharma's structure, which in turn structured Brahmanical society.'

⁸ Bakker 2014, 69.

vehicle (vāhana).

To put the same argument more bluntly:

Making the bull Śiva's vehicle implies that Śiva has become the supreme lord of the Dharma, or that the Dharma has been accommodated in [Ś]aivism.

The possibility that the bull in the title *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* refers not only to Dharma as a bull, but also to Śiva's *vāhana* has been mentioned in De Simini and Mirnig 2017,¹⁰ and briefly discussed in Kiss 2021,¹¹ with the conclusion that

while the bull as a synonym of Dharma is mentioned in the text repeatedly, somewhat surprisingly, and perhaps significantly, there is no clear reference to Śiva's mount in the *Vṛṣa-sārasaṃgraha*. [... Nevertheless, it] is not inconceivable that the redactors of the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* had the same association in mind, namely that the bull in question is both Dharma and Śiva's mount.¹²

Sanderson (2015, 210 n. 136) comments on the idea of *vṛṣa* being Dharma in general, and on the bull appearing on the coins of the Hephthalite Hun Mihirakula in particular, also referencing the VSS:

To laud the bull (*vṛṣa*) would be surprising if the intended meaning were the bull that is Śiva's mount, but not if the word

⁹ Bakker et al. 2014, 65 n. 210. Bhattacharya (1977, 1552) suggests that 'In the Purāṇas the bull (Vṛṣabha or Vṛṣa) of Śiva is identified with Dharma, "virtue personified". This is a new development to sanctify the animal vehicle of the god. This new situation took place with the religious rite when an offering of a bull to a Brahmin deemed to be of a high religious merit.'

¹⁰ P. 238 n. 13.

¹¹ Pp. 185-186.

¹² Note that Śivadharmottara 12.87 also mentions the 'Dharma bull': iśvarā-yatanasyādhaḥ śrīmān dharmavṛṣaḥ sthitaḥ | yatra vīravṛṣas tatra kṣityām gomātaraḥ sthitā ||. 'Below the abode of the Lord, there lives the glorious Dharma Bull. Where the Heroic Bull is in the world, there are the Cow Mothers.'

is intended in its figurative meaning, namely dharmah, or sukrtam 'the virtuous actions [prescribed by the Veda].' For this meaning of vrsah see, for example, Amarasimha, Nāmalingānuśāsana 1.4.25b (sukrtam vṛṣaḥ), 3.3.220 (sukrte vṛṣabhe vrsah); Halāyudha, Abhidhānaratnamālā 1.125cd (dharmah punyam vrsah śreyah sukrtam ca samam smrtam); Manu 8[.]16a (vrso hi bhagavān dharmas...); and the Gwalior Museum Stone Inscription of Patangasambhu (Mirashi 1962), 1. 15, vrsaikanistho 'pi jitasmaro 'pi yah śankaro 'bhūd bhuvi ko 'py apūrvvah, concerning the Śaiva ascetic Vyomaśambhu: 'He was in the world an extraordinary new Siva, since he too was vṛṣaikaniṣṭhaḥ ('devoted solely to pious observance'; in Śiva's case 'riding only on the Bull') and he too was jitasmarah ('one who had defeated sensual urges'; in Śiva's case 'the defeater of the Love god Kāmadeva'). This is also the meaning of vrsah in the title Vrsasārasamgraha, one of the works of the Sivadharma corpus (see, e.g., Sanderson 2014, p. 2), i.e., 'Summary of the Essentials of the [Śiva]dharma'.

In the last sentence, Sanderson implies that the VSS is organically part of the teachings that we may collectively call the Śivadharma, and he thus supplies 'Śiva' when translating the title *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha*. A closer examination of the VSS reveals no direct references to either Śiva's bull or to the bull embodying the Śivadharma. Instead, the bull in the VSS is repeatedly associated with the Dharma which is the four *āśramas* (see, e.g., VSS 3.1–5 and 4.74). My conclusion here is that while the word *vṛṣa* in the title may indeed refer to Śiva's bull, this reference is always only implied and never explicitly stated, whereas the bull as the personification of Dharma as the four *āśramas* appears explicitly and repeatedly. Thus the title lacks any explicit hint to Śaivism, ¹³ which aligns well with the text's blurred and multi-layered affiliation to Dharmaśāstra, Vaiṣṇavism, and Śaivism. ¹⁴

 $^{^{13}}$ In contrast, see an explicit equation of the bull of Dharma with Śiva's mount in the Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda (C $_{94}$ fol. 184r ll. 3–4; see Kiss 2021, 185–186): īśvara uvāca | na jānanti ca loke 'smin mānavā mūḍhacetasaḥ | catuṣpādo bhaved dharmaḥ śuklo 'yaṃ mama vāhanaḥ ||; 'Īśvara spoke: In this world, foolish people do not know that the four-legged Dharma is this bright mount of mine.'

¹⁴ See p. 11.

Finally, as a fanciful experiment, and if one accepts that the VSS originated in Nepal, ¹⁵ one could wonder whether the title *Vṛṣasārasaṃgra-ba* has anything to do with the Licchavi king Vṛṣadeva. Sanderson (2009, 74) mentions that Vṛṣadeva is 'described in an inscription of his eighth-century descendant Jayadeva as having inclined towards Buddhism; ¹⁶ a view confirmed by a local chronicle, which attributes to him the establishing of Buddhist images,' and that this king established 'the Caitya of the Sīnagu-vihāra (the Svayambhūnāth Caitya).' More importantly, Sanderson summarises the information found in the Chāṅgu Nārāyaṇa Pillar Inscription (east shaft), ¹⁷ noting that Vṛṣadeva was the great-grand-father of Mānadeva, whose 'dated inscriptions range in date from 459 to 505/6' [CE]. ¹⁸ This would place the reign of Vṛṣadeva around 400 CE.

The early fifth century may look too early for the date of composition of the VSS, and any connection between this king and the text is impossible to prove at the moment. However, it is equally impossible to dismiss it entirely. If such a connection exists, it might explain the slightly unusual nature of the title ('... the essence of the bull').

Genre

Some texts of the Śivadharma corpus have, at certain points in their textual history, been recognised as Purāṇas or Upapurāṇas (see, e.g., Hazra 1952 and 1956). Could the VSS be considered a Purāṇa? There are at least two reasons to support this idea.

One is the section spanning VSS 1.62–75, which provides a list of socalled *vedavyāsas*, transmitters of Purāṇas, from Brahmā to Vyāsa Dvaipāyana, Romaharṣa, and his son. Why would a text include such a list in its first chapter if not to suggest that it is describing its own origins?

Another argument is that the topics dealt with in the VSS are exactly what we expect from a Purāṇa. The famous *purāṇapañcalakṣaṇa* includes, following Wilson's translation (see Rocher 1986, 26), the following: (1)

¹⁵ See pp. 20ff.

¹⁶ See Vajrācārya 1973, 148, l. 9: sugataśāsanapakṣapātī.

¹⁷ See, e.g., Gnoli 1956, 1, Riccardi 1989 and https://siddham.network/inscription/in02001/

¹⁸ Sanderson 2009, 75.

primary creation, cosmogony and chronology (sarga); (2) creation, destruction of the world (pratisarga); (3) genealogies (vaṃśa); (4) Manu eras (manvantaras); (5) history (vaṃśānucarita). Arguably, all of these elements are present in the VSS—most appearing in chapter one and again in chapters twenty-one and twenty-four—along with narratives of the deeds of gods (e.g., in chapter twenty-three), and more. It is possible that certain sections of the VSS were originally intended to form a separate purāṇa. The part in question could be the outermost layer of the text (see pp. 11ff).

Could the VSS alternatively be classified as a Dharmaśāstric text? The VSS does contain features characteristic of Dharmaśāstra, such as descriptions of rules of conduct (chapters 3–8) and discussions of the *varṇas* and *āśramas* (chapters 11 and 19). However, other elements—such as narratives (chapter 12), yogic teachings (chapter 16), lists of *tīrthas* (chapter 10), and the frequent use of poetic metres (e.g., *upajāti* and *śārdūlavikrīdita*)—are less obviously Dharmaśāstric.

Folio 251v of paper MS K_{41} includes a scribal addition that provides a richer and more nuanced definition of the genre of the VSS, paraphrasing $Mah\bar{a}bh\bar{a}rata~1.56.21:^{20}$

pādam ādyam²¹ idaṃ śāstraṃ yo 'dhīyīta jitendriyaḥ | tenādhītaṃ sarvvadharmmam iti nāsty atra saṃśayaḥ || arthaśāstram idaṃ puṇyaṃ dharmmaśāstram idaṃ paraṃ | mokṣaśāstram idaṃ proktaṃ śivenāmitatejasā ||

Should someone read [only as much as] the first *pāda* [of] this *śāstra* with his senses subdued, [it would count as if] they had read all the Dharmic teachings. There is no doubt about this. This virtuous Arthaśāstra, this excellent Dharmaśāstra, this *śāstra* on liberation was taught by Śiva, whose splendour is immeasurable.

According to this definition, the VSS is both an Arthaśāstra and a Dhar-

¹⁹ See, e.g., Śivapurāṇa 7.1.41: sargaś ca pratisargaś ca vaṃśo manvantarāṇi ca | vaṃśānucaritam caiva purāṇam pamcalakṣaṇam ||.

Mahābhārata 1.56.21 reads: arthaśāstram idam punyam dharmaśāstram idam param | mokṣaśāstram idam proktam vyāsenāmitabuddhinā ||. The parallel between the scribal verses in K_{41} and the MBh has already been noted in De Simini 2016b, 253 n. 51.

²¹ Understand *pādamātram*?

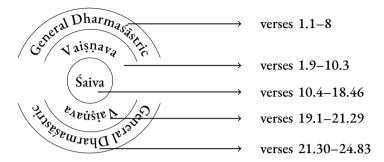


Figure 1: The structure of the VSS (reproduced from Kiss 2021, 188)

maśāstra, and also a yogic text offering instructions on *mokṣa*. One could cautiously characterise the VSS as a heterogeneous text containing Dharmaśāstric, Purāṇic, yogic, and narrative elements, similar to its starting point and model, the *Mahābhārata*.

Structure

As described in more detail in Kiss 2021, the VSS contains at least three discernible structural layers: a general Dharmaśāstric layer; a more or less Vaiṣṇava layer; and a Śaiva layer. Figure 1 is a diagram reproduced from the same article, showing the textual divisions more precisely.

Each layer is characterised by a dialogue between two interlocutors. The layer that I label general Dharmaśāstric is a dialogue between king Janamejaya and the sage Vaiśampāyana; the Vaiṣṇava layer is presented as a dialogue between Vigatarāga, who is Viṣṇu in disguise, and Anarthayajña, the ascetic; the Śaiva layer is a dialogue between Śiva and Devī, as related by Nandikeśvara.

The transitions between the layers are smooth. That is to say, Nandikeś-vara's narrative is mentioned, introduced, and told by Anarthayajña, whose dialogue with Vigatarāga is in turn narrated to Janamejaya by Vaiśampā-yana.

Another way to represent the overall structure of the VSS visually is shown by Figure 2 on p. 13. The VSS is represented as a lotus whose petals represent chapters. White petals indicate chapters within the general Dharmaśāstric layer; light grey indicates the Vaiṣṇava layer; dark grey indicates

Śaiva chapters. The divisions are not clear-cut: the first few verses of chapter one belong to the general layer, and transitions also occur within chapters. Additionally, the layers are not hermetically sealed, and there is some 'leaking' between the chapters. Śaiva chapters may contain Vaiṣṇava material, and vice versa. The labels beside the petals represent keywords indicating the main topics of each chapter. Large check marks indicate the presence of Anarthayajña the ascetic in the given chapter, while smaller check marks indicate references to Anarthayajña's ascetic practice, repeatedly called *anartha-yajña*, i.e., 'non-material' or 'internalised sacrifice or worship.' Anarthayajña in both senses seems to be one of the main foci of the VSS.

The main theme of the Dharmaśāstric layer is Janamejaya's desire to hear from Vaiśampāyana the condensed and ultimate Dharmic teachings of the *Mahābhārata*.

A brief overview of the Vaiṣṇava chapters would be the following: Anarthayajña, a Vaiṣṇava ascetic, who propagates a system of internalised āśramas—or rather, a system beyond the traditional āśramas—and who was born into an obscure or fluid varṇa (brāhmaṇa/kṣatriya), is tested by Viṣṇu; he passes the test and follows Viṣṇu to Viṣṇuloka.

The Śaiva layer is a collection of chapters addressing internalised pilgrimage places, a tale on a rich man giving away his wife to a Brahmin, embryology, karma, the soul (*jīva*), yoga, and more.

Another general observation is that roughly one-fourth of the text elaborates on rules of religious conduct (*yama-niyama*). Also, chapter two seems slightly out of place, being a clearly Śaiva chapter inserted into the Vaiṣṇava layer, within the corresponding dialogue of the Vaiṣṇava interlocutors.

It is not inconceivable that the Śaiva layer—which contains a teaching on non-material sacrifice (*vinārthena tu yo yajñaḥ*, VSS 11.5a)—is the oldest part of the VSS. The Vaiṣṇava layer may have been developed later, with the legend of Anarthayajña constructed around that concept and phrase.

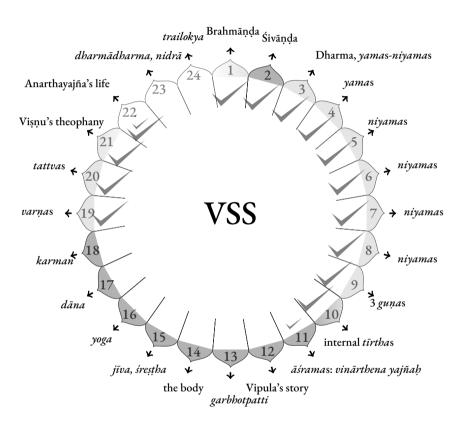


Figure 2: The structure and topics of the VSS

Connection to other texts and traditions

Mahābhārata and Purāņas

The VSS's indebtedness to the *Mahābhārata* (MBh) is evident from its very first verses. As already noted, the frame story in the VSS comprises

a dialogue between Janamejaya and Vaiśampāyana, echoing the setting of the frame story of the *Mahābhārata*. Janamejaya is the king at whose snake-sacrifice Vaiśampāyana recited the whole *Mahābhārata* for the first time. This important moment is where the frame story of the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* takes off: Janamejaya has listened to the entire *Mahābhārata*, but having had the desire to hear the ultimate teaching on Dharma, he is bound to remain unsatisfied. Asked by Janamejaya for a higher teaching on Dharma which can lead to liberation, Vaiśampāyana relates a dialogue between Vigatarāga (in fact Viṣṇu in disguise) and Anarthayajña, an ascetic.²²

Thus the frame story in the VSS suggests that the text is to be ideally read as a summary or higher synthesis of the Dharmic teachings found in the $Mah\bar{a}bh\bar{a}rata$. The VSS's connection to the MBh is also evident from quotations from and paraphrases of MBh passages; e.g., VSS 1.4ab = MBh 13.112.9ab, VSS 1.29d = MBh 12.220.41d, VSS 3.15cdef \approx MBh Suppl. 1.36.10, VSS 3.16cd \approx MBh 12.8.17ab, VSS 3.29–32 \approx MBh 13.117.37–38 VSS 3.34ab = MBh 13.116.14ab, VSS 4.5ab \approx MBh 1.77.16, VSS 4.10 = MBh 1.69.22, VSS 6.20–22 \approx MBh 6.39.14–16 (= BhG 17.14–16), VSS 8.21 \approx MBh 12.214.9, etc., although as always, it is not certain if these borrowings come directly from the MBh or through the vehicle of some Purāṇa or the $M\bar{a}navadharmaś\bar{a}stra$. The story of the mongoose referenced in VSS 4.48 appears as MBh 14.92–93. The 25-tattva system in chapter 20 echoes and is partly based on MBh 12.247.1–10 (Mokṣadharma). The 25-tattva system in chapter 20 echoes and is partly based on MBh 12.247.1–10 (Mokṣadharma).

Moreover, a significant number of passages in the VSS derive from Purāṇas and from *Manu*. Examples for Purāṇic parallels include VSS $1.28 \approx K\bar{u}$ -

²² Kiss 2021, 187.

²³ Although towards the very end of the text we are told that this teaching is also the fine essence of the Purāṇas, Vedas, and Upaniṣads (*purāṇavedopaniṣatsusāram*).

²⁴ E.g., VSS $4.78 \approx \text{MBh } 5.40.3 \approx Manu \ 11.56$.

²⁵ See the relevant article Bakker and Bisschop 1999.

rmapurāṇa 1.11.32, VSS 1.33 \approx Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa 3.2.101, VSS 3.11cd \approx Liṅgapurāṇa 1.70.295ab \approx Kūrmapurāṇa 1.8.22cd \approx Liṅgapurāṇa 1,5.37, VSS 4.9cd \approx Varāhapurāṇa 193.36cd, VSS 4.11 \approx Varāhapurāṇa 193.37, VSS 9.3–4 \approx Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa 1.4.6–11, and so on so forth. Manu is quoted widely in the VSS: see, e.g., VSS 3.34–37, 4.77–81, 5.8–9, 5.13ab, 5.14ab, 5.19ab, 11.53ab.

Pāśupata and tantric influence

One of the major questions concerning the Śivadharma corpus is whether it was aware of or influenced by Tantrism, or more precisely, by the Śaiva Atimārga and Mantramārga. This question is perhaps more important in the case of earlier Śivadharma texts, such as the Śivadharmaśāstra and the Śivadharmottara, than for the VSS, which was likely composed later. Tantric influence in the 7-10th-century, or more likely 9-10th-century, VSS would not be surprising; what is more revealing is whether this influence is early (5-8th century) or late (9-10th century), which may help determine the text's date.

The description of Śiva's Universe (śivāṇḍa) in chapter two contains clear references to the five Brahma-mantras (usually regarded as Vedic in origin, but possibly entering the Pāśupata and later Śaiva tantric traditions from other sources), or five faces of Sadāśiva: Īśāna, Tatpuruṣa, Aghora, Sadyojāta, and Vāmadeva (2.26–33). Their traditional division into kalās also appears (2.31–32). Other glimpses into the Pāśupata realm can be seen in chapter eight. In verse 8.2, the Pāśupata tradition is explicitly named alongside the 'Śaiva' school. Additionally, the religious observances given in verses 8.13–18, particularly the Dog and Cow Observances (8.15–16) evoke Pāśupata practices. Verses 8.35–43 describe various modes of ritual bathing. The first, Fire Bath, is explicitly referred to as a 'Pāśupata observance' (vrataṃ pāśupataṃ), and is praised as the most important (pāśupataṃ śreṣṭhaṃ) in verse 8.39. (Note that chapter eight, despite these influences, is part of a layer of the text that otherwise could be labelled as Vaiṣṇava.)

²⁶ See TAK III, s.v. pañca brahmāṇi and TAK IV, s.v. brahmamantra.

²⁷ See details in the notes to the translation of these passages.

 $^{^{28}\,}$ Pāśupatas are also mentioned among other religious groups in chapter twenty-two. See volume two.

As for any possible Mantramārgic or Saiddhāntika influence, Sadāśiva, Paraśiva, and Śiva as Paramātman are mentioned in 16.34 as corresponding to breaths.²⁹ Sadāśiva appears in a visualisation in VSS 6.16, and is said to be the original teacher of the internalisation of the aśramas, bestowing this knowledge on Maheśvara (11.4, 25). The term dhyāna generally means visualization, similarly to its tantric usage, in verses 4.72–73 (Saiva), 6.7-18 (mostly Saiva, but said to be taught by Hari), 10.23 (a visualisation of the deity in the centre of a lotus), 10.25-26 (an obscure visualisation possibly echoing Niśvāsa uttarasūtra 5.16), and in chapter sixteen, the main yogic teaching, and in chapter twenty-two. 30 Faint echoes of the Niśvāsa kārikā appear in chapter ten (VSS 10.27-29) and chapter sixteen (VSS 16.1), both Saiva chapters; and there are some clearer parallels in VSS 20.4, and 22.29–32ab. A stanza resembling a verse from the Niśvāsa mukhasūtra (NiśvMukha 4.65, echoed also in the Kulasāra) appears in 16.30. An obscure reference to a 36-tattva system appears in 4.73, possibly indicating familiarity with a full-fledged tantric ontological system, in stark contrast with the highly detailed account and propagation of a 25-tattvasystem in chapter 20.31 Similary, the terms sakala-vikala in 9.5 may betray some knowledge of Saiva tantric theology. Mantras resembling those

²⁹ VSS 16.34: sadāśivas tu niśvāsa ūrdbvaśvāsah paraḥ śivaḥ | tayor madhye tu vi-jñeyaḥ paramātmā śivo 'vyayaḥ |; 'Sighing/exhaling is Sadāśiva, a deep breath is supreme Siva. In between the two, there is Śiva, the supreme and imperishable Self.' The word niśvāsa evokes the title of the earliest surviving Śaiva tantra, the Niśvāsatattvasaṃhitā. In Niśvāsa uttarasūtra 5.50–51, the explanation of niśvāsa in the title is given as follows: anadhītya tha niśvāsam niśvasanti punaḥ punaḥ | adhītvā caiva niśvāsan na punar nniśvasanti te || niśvāsa eva vikhyātas sarvatantrasamuccayaḥ | yaṃ jñātvā mucyate jantuḥ saṃsārabhavabandhanāt ||; 'Now ('tha) those who do not study the Niśvāsa will go on sighing and sighing. And those who do study the Niśvāsa, they will not sigh again. [For this reason] it is known as the Niśvāsa, the compendium of all Tantras, on knowing which a creature will be released from the bondage of being in saṃsāra' (tr. Goodall et al. 2015, 400). Kafle (2020, 33) adds: 'On the basis of this passage we may render the title of the work as 'compendium (saṃhitā) of the essence (tattva) of sighing (niśvāsa).' One wonders if the connection between breaths and (Sadā)śiva in the VSS may relate to Saiddhāntika ideas about the connotations of the word niśvāsa.

³⁰ In other cases, *dhyāna* does not so clearly involve visualisation; see VSS 2.37, 5.18, 9.32, 11.15, 27, 41, and 12.11.

³¹ VSS 20.1ab: pañcaviṃśati yat tattvaṃ jñātum icchāmi tattvataḥ | kathayasva mamādya tvaṃ chidyate yena saṃśayaḥ || 'I wish to learn about the twenty-five Tattvas truly.' (Note the use of singular alongside numerals; on this phenomenon, see p. 33.)

of the tantric Mantramārga, apart from *oṃ*, are largely absent in the VSS, however chapter twenty-two presents a ten-syllable mantra that is encoded in an obscure—perhaps even unbreakable—way.

Rather randomly, the ten types of *dhyāna* mentioned in VSS 22.29–35 (1 ghoṣaṇī, 2 piṅgalā, 3 vaidyutī, 4 candramālinī, 5 candrā, 6 manoʾnugā, 7 sukṛtā, 8 saumyā, 9 nirañjanā, 10 nirālambā—description breaks down after the sixth item) echo *Kubjikāmatatantra* 25.172ff:

athānyat sampravakṣyāmi avasthāṃ jñānabodhikām | ghoṣaṇī piṅgalā caiva vidyunmālā ca candriṇī ||25.172|| mano'nugā ca sukṛtā saumyā caiva nirañjanā | nirālambā tathā devī anyā caiva mahābalā ||25.173||

Finally, the Pańcarātra tradition is mentioned several times (VSS 10.33, 16.36–37), but its presence, similar to some MBh passages,³² tells us little about the text's date.

In summary, the Pāśupatas are clearly known and highly regarded in the VSS, and while tantric influence is subtle, the cumulative evidence suggests that Tantra was present in the vicinity of the text's conception.

Śivadharma texts

As already mentioned, in general, the VSS's connection to other texts of the Śivadharma corpus is weak, i.e., strong and direct textual parallelism can rarely be detected. Possible exceptions include the following. VSS 3.47cd appears (among other places) as ŚDhU 4.44ab; the praise of the cow in VSS 4.36ff is somewhat similar to ŚDhU 12.92ff (VSS 4.38a = ŚDhU 12.102d, 103d, 104d); VSS 4.38 could be a paraphrase of ŚDhU 12.92; VSS 7.5 is similar to ŚDhU 1.27 (and to MBh suppl 14.4.2285–86, and *Nāradapurāṇa* 1.13.71); and the five types of *yajña* in VSS 6.1ff is somewhat similar to what ŚDhU chapter three teaches.³³ In addition to these, the embryological teachings of VSS chapter thirteen are remarkably close to parts of ŚDhU chapter eight. More importantly, there are clear and strong links

³² Compare, e.g., MBh 12.337.1 (sāṃkhyaṃ yogaṃ pañcarātraṃ vedāraṇyakam eva ca | jñānāny etāni brahmarṣe lokeṣu pracaranti ha ||) with VSS 16.36 (śāstrapañcasu yat proktaṃ śṛṇu saṃkṣepa nirṇayam | sāṃkhye yoge pañcarātre śaive vede ca nirmitam ||).

³³ See details in the apparatus to the critical edition.

between the yogic visualisation teachings taught in VSS chapters six, sixteen, and twenty-two, and those taught in *Dharmaputrikā* chapters one, two, and four. Here is a brief summary of the parallelism between the VSS and the *Dharmaputrikā*, to be further discussed in volume two. VSS 6.7–11 teach the so-called *dhyānayajña*, or 'sacrifice/worship by visualisation,' which is fivefold: it concerns the Sun, the Moon, Fire, crystal, and the Subtle Tattva. Even though the phrasing and the context is different, this teaching is remarkable close to *Dharmaputrikā* 4.5cd–14 (Kafle's draft edition):

sūryacandrahutāśārcihsphāţikāmbarasannibhāh ||4.5|| prathamā **sūrya**samsthānā karnikopari samsthitā | yā caturvimšakā proktā yā ca šāktir iti smrtā ||4.6|| avidyeti ca yā khyātā samsāre sukhabuddhidā | traigunyabhāvanilayā prakrtih sābhidhīyate ||4.7|| idam prakṛtijam sarvam duḥkham ity avabhāvayet | upekṣate virāgātmā nirguņaḥ kevalasthitaḥ ||4.8|| sūryamaṇḍalamadhyasthaś candramaṇḍalasannibhaḥ | pañcavimśaka ity ukta puruṣaḥ so 'bhidhīyate ||4.9|| kīdṛk kim iti vā jñānam iti samyan nirūpayet | mokṣajijñāsabhāvo yaḥ sa ṣaḍviṃśakamaṇḍalam ||4.10|| candramaṇḍalamadhyastho vahnijvālānibhākṛtiḥ | avidyādāvadagdho 'sau prabhur ity abhidhīyate ||4.11|| sarvatrsnāvinirmuktah samah sarveşu sarvadā | kṛtakṛtyatayā yas tu jñānamātraikakevalam ||4.12|| atyantanirmalah svacchah suddha**sphatika**sannibhah | agnimandalamadhyasthah saptavimsaka ucyate | 4.13 | akīrtitam anaupamyam pañcamam śivamanḍalam | vidyāmaṇḍalamadhyastham aṣṭāviṃśakam ucyate ||4.14||

There are even clearer indications of a possible interaction between the VSS and the DhP, or of a common source, in the sixteenth chapter of the VSS. VSS stanzas 16.27–29, on the distinction between mānasa and yaugapadya yoga, appear verbatim in the DhP, as discussing the first two items of a longer list (DhP 1.54–56); and VSS chapter sixteen contains several other passages that are closely parallel with the DhP. Furthermore, the two teachings mentioned above, that is, the five types of meditation (sūrya, soma, agni, sphaṭika, susūkṣma) and the categories mānasa and yaugapadya yoga, augmented with three other types of yoga (saṃkṣipta, viśālā,

dvikaraṇa), are presented as the 'ten yogas' in VSS 22.18–27, a passage closely parallel with DhP 1.54–63. These observations suggest some link between the VSS and the DhP, but it is difficult to see its true nature. The fact that the VSS tends to relate the same content in a language that is usually more problematic or non-standard than that of the DhP may or may not help us determine which text served as source to the other. A possible scenario could be that the VSS was the source and the DhP's redactors cleaned up, organised, and expanded the VSS's teachings.

Other potential evidence of intertextuality between the VSS and other texts of the Śivadharma corpus are still to be found and studied.

Buddhist influence

The presence of Buddhist influence in the VSS is again subtle but noticeable. The four brahmavihāras—maitrī, karunā, muditā, and upeksā are mentioned in 4.71 as 'the four ayatanas,' possibly indicating only a superficial familiarity with the concept. 34 They are also referenced in 11.34 and 11.56 in the context of the internalization of the vānaprastha's and parivrājaka's modes of life. Additionally, a rule given in 11.46 concerning begging might echo a Buddhist precept. Visnu, one of the interlocutors in chapters 1-9 and 19-21, assumes the name Vigataraga ('passionless, dispassionate') when disguised as a Brahmin, a name that may carry faint Buddhist connotations. A possible influence from the Buddhacarita is seen in 4.54–57 and 70, while the teachings on mauna in 4.69 seem similar to Buddhist teachings. In summary, VSS chapter four, and to some extent chapter eleven, may display signs of Buddhist influence. This may contribute to the text's broader program of offering a foundational Dharma text for devotees of all religions present at the time and place of its composition.

³⁴ Could this passage have been influenced by the following passage in the *Dharmasamuccaya? mokṣasyāyatanāni ṣaṭ | apramādas tathā śraddhā vīryārambhas tathā dhṛtiḥ | jūānābhyāsaḥ saṃtāśleṣo mokṣasyāyatanāni ṣaṭ ||1.3|| nava śāntisamprāpti-betavaḥ | dānaṃ śīlaṃ damaḥ kṣāntir maitrī bhūteṣv ahiṃsatā | karuṇāmuditopekṣā śāntisamprāptihetavaḥ ||1.4||.*

Dating and provenance

There are several reasons to believe that Nepal, specifically the Kathmandu valley, is the most likely location for the composition or final redaction of the VSS. The most probable period for this composition is the first half of the poorly documented 'transitional period'³⁵ in the history of Nepal. This is a 'relatively obscure period [...] [b]etween the Licchavis, who last appear in epigraphical record in 737 [CE], and the Malla kings, who ruled from 1200–1768.³⁶

To support these assumptions, we can consider the following: the location of the manuscript evidence; place names and individuals mentioned; and a possible influence of any local language on the style and grammar of the text.

All MSS known to us that transmit the VSS hail from Nepal. This in itself is not strong evidence but it stands in stark contrast with the manuscript situation of the \dot{SDhS} and the \dot{SDhU} .

The geographical locations mentioned in the VSS include the *tīrthas* mentioned in chapter ten: Himavat (the Himālayas), Kurukṣetra, Prayāga, Vārāṇasī, Yamunā, Gaṅgā, Agnitīrtha, Somatīrtha, Sūryatīrtha, Puṣkara, Mānasa, Naimiṣa, Bindusāra (= Bindusaras), Setubandha, Suradraha or Surahrada, Ghaṇṭikeśvara, and Vāgīśa. These may hint at the area where the VSS was composed by giving more significance to locations nearby and by being more specific when mentioning local sacred places. Some names on the list above are easy to identify and at the same time probably too often included in lists such as this one to be indicative enough: Himavat, Kurukṣetra, ³⁸ Prayāga, Vārāṇasī, Yamunā, Gaṅgā, Puṣkara (modern Pushkar), and Naimiṣa. ³⁹ All these are locations in modern North India, or in the case of Himavat, for our purposes and more precisely, in North India and Nepal. Agnitīrtha, Somatīrtha and Sūryatīrtha could also be locations in North India, although they are more obscure than the ones above. For Ag-

³⁵ Petech 1984, 31.

³⁶ Sanderson 2009, 77.

³⁷ See, e.g., De Simini and Mirnig 2017, 589.

³⁸ Kurukṣetra is generally thought to be the area around Thaneswar / Thanesar (Dey 1899, 45), 160 km northwest of Delhi.

³⁹ Bisschop 2006, 217: 'Naimiśa has been identified with the region around modern Nimsar on the Gomatī river in Uttar Pradesh (SP vol. I, p. 67, n. 23). This identification is doubted by Mirashi (1968).'

nitīrtha, see, e.g., *Padmapurāṇa 3.*45.27ab: *agnitīrtham iti khyātaṃ yamunādakṣiṇe taṭe*; and *Padmapurāṇa 6.*139.1ab: *sābhramatyuttare kūle agnitīrtham iti śrutam*; therefore Agnitīrtha may be placed at the southern banks of the Yamunā or at the northern banks of the Sābhramatī river (modern Sabarati) in the area of Ahmedabad. Somatīrtha is also sometimes placed on the banks of the Sabarmati, see, e.g., *Padmapurāṇa 6.*161.1ab: *somatīrthaṃ tato gacched guptaṃ sābhramatītaṭe*. Sūryatīrtha is sometimes placed in Kurukṣetra. ⁴⁰ Going further in the list, Mānasa is generally thought to be '[a] lake on the peak of the Himālayas,'⁴¹ modern Manasarovar. ⁴² Bindusāra, which most probably stands for Bindusaras, can be a sacred place north of Mount Kailāsa, ⁴³ two miles south of Gaṅgotri, ⁴⁴ or alternatively Sitpur in Gujarat, north-west of Ahmedabad. ⁴⁵

In contrast with these, Setubandha is the traditional name for the ridge of rocks between South India and Śrī Laṅkā, and Ghaṇṭikeśvara could be a sacred place in Orissa. ⁴⁶ Vāgīśa seems difficult to locate, but it is most probably a sacred place east of Kathmandu. This toponym comes up in *Nepālamāhātmya* 3.21–25 as a location south of and not far from the Hanumadīśvara-liṅga, which is in the southern outskirts of Bhaktapur, at the confluence of two rivers (according to Acharya 1992, 37–38 and 298):

kimciddūre sangamasya yajñabhūmim manoharām | vidhāya munibhir sārddham vājapeyam athākarot || 3.21 yajñam samāpya vālmīkir navanādīmayam girim | āruroha dvijaśreṣṭho munibhir munisattamaḥ || 3.22 kaṭake tasya śailasya nānānirjharaśobhite | lingam saṃsthāpayām āsa vālmīkīśvarasaṃjñitam || 3.23 sthāpayitvā mahālingam vālmīkir munisattamaḥ | svāśrame tamasātīre yayau munigaṇair vṛtaḥ || 3.24 vālmīkīśvaram ālokya vāgvibhūtiḥ prajāyate | ato vāgīśvaraṃ linga pravadanti manīṣṇaḥ || 3.25

⁴⁰ See Mani 1975, s.v. 'sūryatīrtha.'

⁴¹ Mani 1975, s.v. 'mānasa IV.'

⁴² Dey 1899, 57.

⁴³ Mani 1975, s.v. 'bindusaras.'

⁴⁴ Dey 1899, 11.

⁴⁵ Dey 1899, ibid.

⁴⁶ Sanderson 2009, 113 n. 241.

Not far from the confluence, [Vālmīki] prepared a nice sacrificial ground together with the sages, and performed the Vājapeya sacrifice. After having completed the sacrifice, Vālmīki, the best of the twice-born, the truest of sages, climbed the mountain on which fresh grass was growing(?)⁴⁷ together with the sages. In a valley of the mountain which was embellished with various waterfalls, he installed a *linga* called Vālmīkīśvara. Having installed that great *linga*, Vālmīki, the truest of sages, surrounded by groups of sages, returned to his own *āśrama* on the banks of the river Tamasā. If one sees the Vālmīkīśvara [*linga*], one will have the power of speech (*vāg-vibhūti*). That is why the wise call it the Vāgīśvara-linga.

I have reproduced a map from the beginning of Acharya 1992 as Figure 4 on p. 27 below. On this map, Vāgīśvara is placed north-east of Bhaktapur.

The only toponym left from the list with which we started this section is Suradraha.⁴⁸ This sacred place is mentioned as the most important one in VSS 18.15, in a chapter that lists personal names, placenames, rivers, deities, etc., that are considered the best (*śreṣṭha*) of all others in the same category:

devatānām hariḥ śreṣṭhaḥ śreṣṭhā gaṅgā nadīṣu ca | anāśanas⁴⁹ tapaḥśreṣṭhas tīrthaśreṣṭhaḥ suradrahaḥ || 18.15 The best god is Hari.⁵⁰ The best river is the Ganges. The best austerity is fasting. The best pilgrimage-place is Suradraha.

This suggests that the location of Suradraha could potentially give us a hint on the geographic centre of the community in which the VSS was commissioned or composed. Unfortunately, up to this moment, I have not been able to obtain any useful information on Suradraha. Nevertheless, I suppose that it should be a sacred place in the Kathmandu valley. The word *draha* is attested in Monier-Williams' Sanskrit-English Dictionary as a variant of *brada* ('pond'). In classical Newar the corresponding form is

⁴⁷ navanādīmayam. Emend to navanadīmayam ('having nine rivers')?

⁴⁸ Always spelt *surahrada* in Naraharinath's edition.

⁴⁹ Understand anasanas.

⁵⁰ This is so, somewhat confusingly, still in the layer that I call Śaiva.

daha (Malla 2000, 218). Suradaha may stand for Sūradaha, that is Sūryadaha, which is a 'pond situated in Devakuru' according to Mehta and Chandra (1972, 850). In fact, Sūryahrada, that is, Sūradaha, is one of the so-called *yamaka*-lakes in Devakuru in the North in Jaina cosmography (see Kirfel 1920, 235–236).

All the above is based on VSS chapter ten. All locations have been entered in the map which is Figure 3 on p. 26. The impression one gets is clearly a north-Indian or Nepalese focus.

Chapter twelve also contains toponyms that could refine or contradict what we have seen so far. The narrative of this chapter starts in Kusumanagara at the confluence of the Gaṅgā and the Gaṇḍakī rivers, which is Pāṭaliputra (12.4 and 12). As the story develops, Vipula, our hero, departs from Kusumanagara to travel to a far-away land, which is identified by a fellow traveller as the city of Naravīrapura in the Deccan (12.60). It is difficult to find a Naravīrapura that would fit the context. I suspect that what could have been meant is Karavīrapura, possibly modern Kolhapur in Maharashtra. Since this placename, and the Sahya mountains (12.93), come up in the framework of a dreamlike, fanciful part of the narrative, playing the role of 'the far-away, magical land,' a Nepalese origin of the VSS is still tenable.

Perhaps the most telling of all toponyms found in the VSS is Mrgendra-

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pūrvajais tava govinda pūrvaṃ puram idaṃ kṛtam |
karavīrapuraṃ nāma rāṣṭraṃ caiva niveśitam ||
pure 'smin nṛpatiḥ kṛṣṇa vāsudevo mahāyaśāḥ |
sṛgāla iti vikhyāto nityaṃ paramakopanaḥ ||
See also Padmapurāṇa 6.106.3:
āsīt sahyādriviṣaye karavīrapure purā |
brāhmano dharmavit kaścid dharmadatto 'tiviśrutaḥ ||
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⁵¹ The references given are the Jaina Jambūdvīpaprajñapti and Sthānāngasūtra.

⁵² The city we are looking for is clearly in the South, therefore Karavīrapura as 'the Pīṭha of the North' in Kashmir is not a good candidate (see, e.g., Sanderson 2007, 261). Rather, as Dey (1899, 35) puts it, it is '[a] town situated on the north of the Western Ghâts near Jooner [Junnar?], on the bank of the Vená [Venna], a branch of the Krishná, where Krishna met Parasuráma and killed its king named Srigála (*Harivansa*).' See *Harivaṃśa* App. I. 18.352–355:

⁵³ 'The northern part of the Western Gháts north of the river Káveri' (Dey 1899, 78).

⁵⁴ On the area of the Sahya mountain as 'the southernmost limit of the authors' map' in the 'the Skandapurāṇa's literary imagining of a Pāśupata landscape,' see Cecil 2020, 161ff.

śikhara, where Anarthayajña's āśrama is situated, 'on the southern slopes of the Himalayas.' This name comes up several times in the Nepālamāhātmya and thus features on the map in Acharya 1992 (Figure 4). Mṛgendraśikhara is a mountain situated north of Kathmandu. Today the area is called Śivapurī. Nepālamāhātmya 7.32ff tells a story about king Sūryaketu, a Viṣṇu-worshipper, who is attacked by king Haṃsadhvaja, the ruler of Mithilā. Sūryaketu is advised by Nārada to go and hide at Mṛgendraśikhara (Nepālamāhātmya 7.48):

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nārada uvacā |
mṛgendraśikharaṃ gatvā nivāsaṃ kuru pārthiva |
yatrotpannā mahāramyā vāgvatī saritāṃ varā |
tasmin sthāne suguptaṃ ca nivāsaṃ kuru bhūpate ||
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Nārada spoke: Go to Mṛgendraśikhara, O king, and stay there. O king, set up your hiding place there where the beautiful Vāgvatī, the best of rivers, rises.

Nārada goes on to describe legends connected to Mṛgendraśikhara. After Viṣṇu assumed his (half-man, half-)lion-form and killed Hiraṇyakaśipu, he retreated to the Himālayas. The part of the mountain where Viṣṇu stayed is called Mṛgendraśikhara exactly because he stayed there in lion-form. Seeking to meet Viṣṇu, the grateful Prahlāda follows the god. He cannot find him, instead he starts performing penance. Śiva appears and is pleased with Prahlāda's penance. The Vāgvatī river rises from his laugh (Nepālamāhātmya 7.50–58). These are related in a similar fashion in the Vāgmatīmāhātmyapraśaṃsā. 56

⁵⁵ See VSS 22.4-5:

vaiśampāyana uvāca |

śṛṇu rājann avahito yogendrasya mahātmanaḥ |

āśramaṃ varṇajātīnāṃ vakṣyāmy eva narādhipa ||

himavaddakṣiṇe pārśve mṛgendraśikhare nṛpa |

mahendrapathagānāmanadītīre narādhipa ||

^{&#}x27;Vaiśampāyana spoke: Listen, O King, attentively. I shall tell you about the āśrama, the varṇa, and the jāti of the great and noble yogin, O king. In the southern region of the Himālaya, on the Mṛgendra peak, O king, on the banks of the river Mahendrapathaga, O King[, was his āśrama]'.

⁵⁶ The story goes on: in *Nepālamāhātmya* chapter eight, we find Sūryaketu still dwelling at Mṛgendraśikhara. Now the demon Mehendradamana wants to marry his

The VSS specifies that Anarthayajña's āśrama was on the banks of the Mahendrapathagā. ⁵⁷ A candidate for this, based on its location, and the fact that its name seems a synonym, could be Indramārgā mentioned in Vāgmatīmāhātmyapraśaṃsā 2.9, a river flowing from the sacred place called Indramārga in the valley of Mṛgendraśikhara. The verse states that bathing at the confluence of the Indramārgā and the Vāgmatī transports one to Indraloka. Indramārgā is identified as modern Dhobi Khola. ⁵⁸

The location with which the ascetic Anarthayajña is connected strongly suggests the Kathmandu valley as the geographical focus of the VSS, because he is a key figure and main interlocutor in the VSS, possibly the reason behind the composition of the text.⁵⁹

Turning to names of individuals mentioned in the VSS, those that might betray anything about the place or time of composition of the text include King Simhajaṭa and queen Kekayī, rulers of Nara- or Karavīrapura in the narrative of chapter twelve. Unfortunately, so far I have not been able to link these names to any historical or legendary persons. The name of the hero of the same chapter, Vipula, may be familiar from MBh 13.40.16–13.43.16.:

Devasarman asks his disciple, Vipula, to protect his wife, Ruci, primarily from Indra's amorous advances, while he is away from home. Vipula decides that the only way he can protect Ruci is from within, i.e., by entering her body by yogic powers. Vipula succeeds in protecting Ruci's reputation and departs to practise extreme austerities. Later he encounters several people (in fact, as we learn later, Day and Night, and the six seasons) who mention 'Vipula's path leading to the other world' (vipulasya pare loke yā gatis, MBh 13.42.27cd) as something horrible. He wonders what sins he may have committed that could yield such unfortunate consequences. He real-

daughter... See details on the identification and on legends in the *Nepālamāhātmya* and the *Vāgmatīmāhātmyapraśaṃsā* connected to Mṛgendraśikhara in Gögge 2007, 114ff, and in Adriaensen and Bisschop 2009.

⁵⁷ See fn. 55.

⁵⁸ See Adriaensen and Bisschop 2009, 147, 151. On Acharya's map, the river is labelled 'Rudramatī (Dhobi Khola)'. See Figure 4.

⁵⁹ On Anarthayajña's central role in the VSS, see more in Kiss 2021.

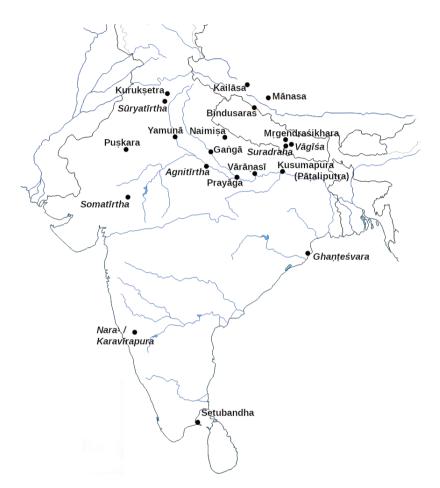


Figure 3: A possible reconstruction of the geography of the VSS. Toponyms in italics are uncertain. Map constructed using a simple hydrographic map made by Daniel Dalet (d-maps.com).

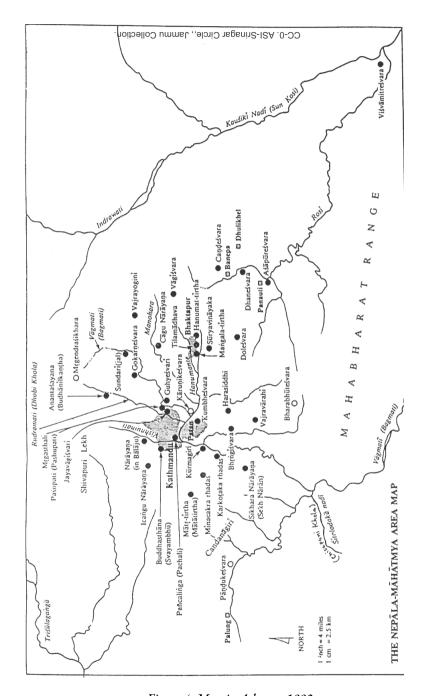


Figure 4: Map in Acharya 1992

izes that by not telling Devasarman that he actually entered Ruci's body he lied and thus may have committed a horrible sin. When Devasarman learns about this, he praises Vipula for his services instead, and all three, Devasarman, his wife, and Vipula, go to heaven.⁶⁰

Thus, ironically, while the Vipula of the MBh is famous for protecting somebody else's wife, a rather different Vipula in VSS chapter twelve donates his own wife to a Brahmin as soon as the latter expresses interest in her. It is more than possible that the two characters have no connection at all.⁶¹

Other characters in VSS chapter twelve—Kapila, Vipula's father; Bhīmabala, a traveller; Puṇḍaka, the foreman of the guild; and Caṇḍa and Vicaṇḍa, two royal envoys—seem to be of little use for us to ascertain the time and place of composition or redaction of the VSS.

Going further, as mentioned above, any discernible influence of a local, vernacular language on the style or grammar of a Sanskrit work could also be useful to locate the text in question geographically. The language of the VSS displays numerous oddities that could be explained by the interference of some other language, most likely early classical Newar. On this, see a separate section below on pp. 30ff.

In addition, the quotes from *Manu* in the VSS usually contain variants that can be found in the apparatus in Olivelle's critical edition of *Manu* (2005) as belonging overwhelmingly to what Olivelle calls the 'Northern Transmission.' This again confirms a North-Indian or Nepalese origin for the VSS.

The obvious *terminus ante quem* for the composition or redaction of the VSS is the date of the earliest MSS that transmits it. The earliest dated MS

 $^{^{60}\,}$ See a summary of Vipula's story in the MBh also in Sukthankar 1944, 317–318.

 $^{^{61}}$ Nevertheless, see the word $\it vipule$ used in VSS 12.155b potentially referring to the famous story in the $\it Mah\bar{a}bh\bar{a}rata$.

⁶² See, e.g., $p\bar{a}pakrt$ in VSS 3.34d (≈ Manu 5.52) attested in Olivelle's Devanāgarī MSS Pu⁵, Pu⁷, Pu⁹; $n\bar{a}nyatra$ manur abravīt in VSS 3.35d (≈ Manu 5.41) attested in Śāradā MSS sOx^1 , sPu^6 and Devanāgarī MS Tr²; $k\bar{u}ta$ in VSS 4.79 (≈ Manu 11.57) in a MS from Kathmandu (gKt^5), in Devanāgarī/Old Nāgarī MSS (Lo^4 , NPu^1 , Pu^2 , Pu^4 , Pu^{10}), as well as in two South-Indian MSS (gMd^1 , TMd^3).

containing the VSS is Ko₇₇, dated to Nepal Saṃvat 156, i.e., 1035-36 CE.⁶³ In a multiple-text MS⁶⁴ that is potentially earlier than Ko₇₇, the VSS is written in a hand that appears later than that used for some of the other texts in that MS.⁶⁵ The final colophon of the VSS (and the DhP) in this MS (f. 50r) is followed by the date [Nepāla] 'samvat 192,' i.e., 1071-1072 CE.

These two MSS make it impossible to date the VSS later than the first half of the 11th century CE, and parts of the text may be considerably older. Archaic features that may indicate that the VSS, or parts of it, were composed much earlier than the early 11th century include the following. Chapter ten, 66 while it teaches the yogic tubes (nādī) Susumnā and Idā, is silent on Pingalā, which is a situation similar to that in the 6-7-century Niśvāsa nayasūtra⁶⁷ (see details in the notes to the translation). Similarly, 11.23a (nivrttyādi caturvedas') mentions four Śaiva kalās, instead of the expected and somewhat later, and in character tantric, five, namely *nivrtti*, *pratisthā*, vidyā, śānti, and śāntyatīta. In the same chapter, the order in which the āśramas are taught (grhastha, brahmacārin, vānaprastha, parivrājaka) is reminiscent of Apastambadharmasūtra 2.9.21.1, and is relatively rare, as opposed to the traditional order (brahmacārin, grhastha, vānaprastha, parivrājaka) found, e.g., in Manu. 68 Another feature that might point towards a date considerably earlier than the 11th century is the system of tattvas in chapter twenty: the mahābhūtas of classical Sānkhya are called dhātus here, the tanmātras of classical Sānkhya are called gunas, 69 the bud-

⁶³ See Shastri 1928, 721 and De Simini and Mirnig 2017, 591. The date is clearly visible as 'samvat 156' in the last line of the penultimate folio side of Ko₇₇/8.

⁶⁴ See more detail on this MS, which is now to be found in Munich, in Harimoto 2022.

⁶⁵ Harimoto 2022, 597–598: 'This Śivadharma ms consists of two major parts, easily distinguishable by different hands: one that appears to be produced in 9th-c. Nepal [...], and another seemingly from a century or so later [...] The next set of folios making up this Śivadharma ms consists of three titles: the *Uttaromāmaheśvarasaṃvāda** (24 folios), the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* (50 folios), and the *Dharmaputrikā* (11 folios). We do not know the original order of these three works because each section starts with folio 1. Moreover, even though these three titles appear to be written by the same hand (probably somewhat later than the first part), there is no certainty that these folios were produced to complement the first part.'

⁶⁶ Also verse 11.21.

⁶⁷ Goodall et al. 2015, 33-35.

⁶⁸ See Kiss 2021, 195-196.

⁶⁹ In contrast with, e.g., Śivadharmottara 10.40-46 and Uttarottaramahāsamvāda

dhi of classical Sāṅkhya is called *mati*, and the highest *tattva* is singular unlike the multiple *puruṣas* of classical Sāṅkhya. These may well be archaisms included in the VSS consciously, but they could also indicate that the time of composition of the VSS is much closer to pre-classical Sāṅkhya than what the MS evidence suggests.⁷⁰

All in all, in light of all the above, it is difficult to be more precise on the dating of the VSS than saying that its production must have happened before the end of the 10th century, or the beginning of the 11th century CE if our oldest dated MS that transmits the VSS is close in time to the actual composition or redaction of the text. The date could also be considerably earlier than the 10th century, and therefore a tentative dating for the VSS would consider the 7th to 10th centuries CE.

Language

Newar influence?

The oddities of the language of the VSS go beyond the idiosyncrasies of epic Sanskrit. This dialect exhibits some similarities to Śaiva Aiśa Sanskrit,⁷¹ and frequently applies peculiar metrical licences, alongside a special vocabulary, morphology, and syntax. Analysing this language could, ideally, help us define the identity of the author(s) or redactor(s) of the text and confirm our views on its place of composition.

To support a working hypothesis, I will mention parallels between the language of the VSS and early classical Newar—since the VSS was most probably produced in the Kathmandu valley⁷²—whenever possible. (This is not to suggest that the phenomena discussed must necessarily originate in Newar influence; other local Prākṛts may also have played a role.) Of course, the assumable date of the composition of the VSS, which is without much doubt pre-early-11th century, does not allow any direct com-

chapter five, Dharmaputrikā 1.42-43, or the Śivopaniṣad.

There are also numerous borrowings in VSS chapter twenty from the Śāntiparvan of the MBh. See more details at the analysis of VSS chapter twenty in volume two.

⁷¹ On Aiśa, see, e.g., Goodall 1998, lxv ff., Törzsök 1999, xxvi ff., Kiss 2015, 77–87, Gerstmayr 2017, and Hatley 2018, 28ff.

⁷² See pp. 20 ff.

parison with contemporary Newar language texts.⁷³ Therefore I have to project a much later Newar grammar onto an earlier and less well-known state of the language, which is not without risks.

In the following, I will only give a brief overview of the most important phenomena. For details, see the observations on the constitution of the Sanskrit text in the footnotes to the translation, as well as the Index.

Number and gender

One of the most evident deviation from Pāṇinian grammar in the text of the VSS is a general disregard of grammatical concord in number and gender.⁷⁴ See, for example, a plural verb (perhaps metri causa) with a singular subject in VSS 1.25ab:

rātryāgame pralīyante jagat sarvam carācaram

When [Brahmā's] night falls, the whole moving and unmoving universe dissolve[s].

Or a neuter plural participle picking up a neuter singular and a feminine singular noun in 1.61ab:

pramāņam nāma samkhyā ca kīrtitāni samāsatah

The numbers [pertaining to] the measurements have been taught in brief.

 $^{^{73}}$ The earliest dated Newar document is the Ukū Bāhāḥ land grant palmleaf manuscript from 1114 ce. See, e.g., Malla 1990.

⁷⁴ Compare Kölver's introductory remarks in his investigation of 'Newarized Sanskrit' (1999, 202) in the *Svayambhūpurāṇa* thus (ibid. 192):

^{&#}x27;Number is often ignored

[[]catvāro 'pi maṇḍalañ ca 429,19 (cf. 429, 21), narāḥ pañcagatiñ ca na labbec ca 428,12],

as is gender

[[]tvam ekam āgatam na hi 464, 10 'only you have not come'; 'nāgakanyā ... vṛṣṭipūrṇaṃ kṛtam 470, 8 'the Nāga girl made (it) full of rain'],

[[]manuṣyāḥ ... tasmai ... pūjitam 426, 2 etc. 'men worshipped him; he was worshipped by people'; bhavatām apy arthāya karomy upāyakam mayā 452, 5 'I am making an expedient for your sake'].'

Another clear example is 6.12c, where grammatical gender is totally ignored:

kāni lokāķ prapadyante

Which worlds can be attained?

Even when the VSS appears to quote from the *Bhagavadgītā*, it tends to cause confusion for no evident reason:

anudvegakarā vāṇī priyaṃ satyaṃ hitaṃ ca yat (VSS 6.21ab) anudvegakaraṃ vākyaṃ priyaṃ satyaṃ hitaṃ ca yat (BhG 17.15ab)

This line in the Bhandarkar critical edition of the MBh does not have any significant variants, and the VSS's version is much more problematic grammatically than the assumable source—one can only wonder why.

This confusion—or often metrically motivated disregard—of standard Sanskrit grammar when dealing with number and gender becomes almost predictable when a noun phrase involves numerals.⁷⁵ See, e.g., verse 1.2cd:

parva cāsya śatam pūrņam śrutvā bhāratasamhitām

Having listened to the Mahābhārata, to all its hundred section[s] (parvan)...

Here, one would expect either a plural genitive (parvāṇāṃ śataṃ), a compound (śataparvāṇi), or a plural accusative (parvāṇi śataṃ). Similarly, gatiś ca pañca vijñeyāḥ in 3.5a stands for gatayaś ca pañca vijñeyāḥ ('and the paths are to be known as five'), partly metri causa; and an interrogative quantifier (kati, 'how many?') can trigger the same: gatis tasya kati smṛtāḥ (3.1d; 'how many are its path[s]?'). It is worth noting that classical Newar

⁷⁵ I am thankful to Judit Törzsök, who first pointed out to me the regular nature of the phenomenon itself as seen in the VSS, and who later drew my attention to the similar Newar grammatical rule (personal communication, Nov 29, 2023), which led me to an investigation of a possible link between the Sanskrit of the VSS and classical Newar.

rarely applies any plural marker in noun phrases with numerals.⁷⁶ Moreover in Newar, 'nouns denoting inanimate objects are indifferent as to number.'⁷⁷ A further clear example is verse 3.6cd:

tasya patnī mahābhāgā trayodaśa sumadhyamāḥ

He has thirteen beautiful wives with nice waists.

Here, with no variants in any of the manuscripts consulted, only the very end of the noun phrase (*sumadhyamāḥ*) bears the required plural ending. This again is what we often observe in Newar. A good example of total number-blindness is 5.17cd:

kīrtitāni viśeşena śaucācāram aśeşatah

... the practice of purity is definitely expounded in great detail.

Note that there would have been little difficulty in composing the same line in standard Sanskrit, e.g., beginning with $k\bar{\imath}rtitam$ ca... Instead, this line betrays the author's indifference towards grammatical concord. It is also possible that the participle $k\bar{\imath}rtit\bar{\imath}ani$ here functions as a finite verb in the plural: they teach [the practice of purity]. In this case, there is some sense of number, but coupled with a blurred boundary between active finite verbs and passive participles.

A special case occurs when the text appears to quote from an external source but chooses to change the plural to the singular. E.g., VSS 4.77 cites

⁷⁶ See, e.g., Jørgensen 1941, 18: 'The plural ending is wanting where plurality is expressed in other ways; thus always after numerals, and mostly after nouns denoting "many, all"'. Incidentally, singular after numerals is also the norm in Modern Nepali, and in other, even more distant languages such as Hungarian.

⁷⁷ Jørgensen 1941, 5 and 17.

⁷⁸ 'Any case [...] and/or plural markers [...], as well as postpositions [...], are added to the last constituent of the N[oun]P[hrase].' (Otter 2020, 11–12.) E.g.: in the Newar phrase *thwo khuṃ-na khan-ā rājā-pani* ('these kings seen by the thief'), the only indication that multiple kings are involved is the plural marker *-pani* at the end (ibid.).

⁷⁹ Compare Kölver's remark on the phrase āgataḥ sarve nāgāḥ in a verse in the Sva-yambhūpurāṇa (on p. 459 in Shastri 1894): 'this is a remarkable lack of sensitivity as to the category of number' (Kölver 1999, 195).

Manu 11.55, a verse that also features in the MBh and in the Yajñavalkyas-mrti. In all its versions, $p\bar{a}da$ c of this stanza contains a plural when labelling a list of the five 'grievous sins,' except in the VSS, which prefers a singular. In the VSS, which prefers a singular.

There seems to be a marked tendency towards the singular in the VSS's language. In general, gender confusion, and to a certain degree number confusion, are not unusual in epic Sanskrit and in Aiśa Sanskrit, 82 but their extent in the VSS suggests a very strong external influence—presumably that of classical Newar.

Case and syntax

An extreme example of a total disregard for Sanskrit syntax is found in VSS 17.20:

bhūmipradātā dvija hīnadīnaḥ samṛddhasasyo jalasaṃnikṛṣṭaḥ | sa yāti lokam amarādhipasya vimānayānena manohareṇa ||

He who donates to a poor and distressed Brahmin land that yields plenty of corn and is in the vicinity of water will go to the world of the king of the immortal ones [i.e., of Indra] on a fascinating ærial vehicle.

Surprising as this translation may seem, it is, judging from the context, rather secure. *Pādas* ab probably stand for what, in more standard Sanskrit, would read: *dvijāya hīnadīnāya sasyasamṛddhāṃ jalasaṃnikṛṣṭāṃ bhūmiṃ yo dadāti*. Instead, the phrase is constructed with what looks like a series of nominatives and a vocative, with little or no regard for the ex-

⁸⁰ Manu 11.55 (in Olivelle's edition): brahmahatyā surāpānam steyam gurvanganāgamah | mahānti pātakāny āhuḥ samsargaś cāpi taiḥ saha ||; MBh Suppl. 12.30: brahmahatyām surāpānam steyam gurvanganāgamam | mahānti pātakāny āhuḥ samyogam caiva taiḥ saha ||; YājñS 3.228: brahmahā madyapaḥ stenas tathaiva gurutalpagaḥ | ete mahāpātakino yaś ca taiḥ saha samvaset ||.

⁸¹ VSS 4.77: brahmahatyā surāpānam steyo gurvanganāgamam | mahāpātakam ity āhus tatsaṃyogī ca pańcamah ||.

⁸² See, e.g., Oberlies 2003, 121, 292–304, and Kiss 2015, 81 and 85, and the Index therein.

pected case endings: endings seem to function more as decorations than as grammatical markers.

This is difficult to explain purely in terms of Newar influence, since classical Newar does have a dative case marker (added to the genitive for animate nouns). It is also striking that *pādas* cd of the same verse are composed in perfectly standard Sanskrit.⁸³

There are dozens—if not hundreds—of syntactical oddities in the VSS, even if not all are as baffling as the example above. ⁸⁴ Somewhat similarly to what Kölver describes in his analysis of the language of the *Svayambhū-purāṇa*, a Nepalese composition (Kölver 1999), there often (but not always) appears to be a lack of understanding of the passive, coupled with the application of the ergative, one of the basic syntactical tools of classical Newar.

A good example is found in 12.113cd:

indreņāsmi phalam dattam sa phalam datta me bhavān

It was Indra who gave me the fruit and I gave that fruit to you.

Again, this is the translation that seems to fit the context. Here the skeleton of $p\bar{a}da$ c is a well-constructed passive: indreṇa phalaṃ dattaṃ, but then, instead of adding a dative or genitive (e.g., indreṇa me phalaṃ dattaṃ), the author chooses a finite verb (asmi). In $p\bar{a}da$ d, after seemingly treating phalaṃ as a masculine noun, and leaving datta in stem form metri causa, and using me for $may\bar{a}$, 85 this time he ends the phrase with a noun in the nominative $(bhav\bar{a}n)$ instead of the dative or genitive. Why not write dattam tad eva te $may\bar{a}$, 86 or dattam tava tad eva ta?

Constructions with *datta/kathita* plus an expected dative are especially prone to confusion. See, e.g., VSS 1.62cd-63ab and 10.2d:

⁸³ See a similarly puzzling situation in the *Brahmayāmala*, which is briefly described in Kiss 2015, 74 as follows: 'One of the most intriguing questions concerning the Bra[hma]Yā[mala] is not why its language deviates from Pāṇini so often but rather why sometimes it falls back to perfectly standard Pāṇinian language for fairly long passages.'

⁸⁴ Most of them are addressed in the footnotes to the translation.

⁸⁵ This often happens in epic Sanskrit, see Oberlies 2003, 4.1.3, pp. 102–103.

⁸⁶ Although this solution carries the metric fault of being iambic.

brahmaṇā kathitaṃ pūrṇaṃ mātariśvā yathātatham vāyunā pāda saṃkṣipya prāptaṃ cośanasaṃ purā

[The Purāṇas] were taught by Brahmā to Mātariśvan [= Vāyu] in their entirety, in their true form. Vāyu abridged the verses and then gave [them] to Uśanas.

bravīmi vaḥ purāvṛttaṃ nandinā kathito 'smy aham

I shall teach you an ancient legend that Nandi told me.

Again, there is some struggle first with an expected dative here: it ends up in the nominative $(m\bar{a}tari\acute{s}v\bar{a})$. Then an expected agent in the instrumental, or rather another dative, becomes an accusative $(u\acute{s}anasam)$. Thirdly, kathito 'smi stands for kathitam mama or kathitam mahyam.

Somewhat similar are constructions with a past participle plus *asmi* in place of an active finite verb. See, e.g., 13.68cd, 14.56ab and 15.15cd:

eșa garbhasamutpattih kathito 'smi varānane

This is how I have told you the formation of the embryo, O Varānanā.

āgneyadhātuṃ somaṃ ca kathito 'smi varānane

I have taught, O Varānanā, the Fiery constituents and the Somaones.

kathito 'smi samāsena kim anyac chrotum icchasi

Thus have I briefly described [to you, O Mahādevī, the soul.] What else would you like to hear?

These resemble a phenomenon Jørgensen observed in a Sanskrit passage in the Newar *Vicitrakarnikāvadānoddhṛta*, where the phrase *na jñāto 'ham* must be interpreted as 'I did not know.'⁸⁷

Occasionally, the agent of an active construction with a transitive verb simply imitates an ergative structure: *viṣṇunā... papraccha*, 'Viṣṇu asked'

⁸⁷ Jørgensen 1931, 77 and 328. Compare tat phalam sa niveditah ('he gave that fruit') in VSS 12.67d.

(1.8), *dhanyās te yair idam vetti*, 'fortunate are those who know this' (4.75ab), sa[!] *hovāca pathīkena*, 'the traveller said' (12.60a). 88

Another typical syntactical pattern in the VSS is a verb meaning 'to tell, teach' followed by a noun in the genitive. See, for example, 4.69ab:

caturmaunasya vakṣyāmi śṛṇuṣvāvahito bhava

I shall tell you about the four cases of observing silence. Listen, be attentive.

One could argue that $p\bar{a}da$ a is simply elliptical and that a word like *lakṣa-ṇaṃ* or *svabhāvaṃ* ('the characteristics/ essence [of X]') is missing. 1.37ab and 4.17ab display similar structures:

brahmāṇḍānāṃ prasaṃkhyātuṃ mayā śakyaṃ kathaṃ dvija

How could I enumerate [all the details of] the Brahmāṇḍa[s], O twice-born?

evam satyavidhānasya kīrtitam tava suvrata

Thus have [I] taught you the rules of truth, O virtuous one.

This phenomenon is difficult to explain as the result of Newar influence, since classical Newar would usually also require an extra word (such as *kham* 'thing, topic, word, story') in such constructions. While it may fall into one of the categories that Jørgensen describes (1941, §26 g, h, and i) when he gives examples of the use of the genitive, it is more plausibly part of a broader class of phenomena that Edgerton, in his discussion of Buddhist Hybrid Sanskrit, labels 'genitive with miscellaneous verbs.'⁸⁹

These kinds of deviations from standard Sanskrit syntax require that the translation be, to some extent, intuitive and context-driven, rather than mechanically adhering to the rules of standard Sanskrit grammar.⁹⁰

⁸⁸ This happens also in Aiśa. See, e.g., Siddhayogeśvarīmata 18.23: pūjayet ... mantrinā (Törzsök 1999, 42).

⁸⁹ Edgerton 1953, vol. 1, §7.65, p. 47.

⁹⁰ Incidentally, Kölver's 'dative for direct object' (Kölver 1999, 195, 4.2.1(b)), i.e., constructions such as *tasmai prapūjitam* meaning 'X worshipped him,' cannot be found in the VSS. Although the VSS is obviously earlier than anything Jørgensen describes, it may be of some interest that according to him (1941, §27b), this is a late phenomenon in Classical Newar.

Cardinal and ordinal numbers

Although the VSS does use simple ordinal numbers such as prathama, $dvit\bar{t}ya$, and $trt\bar{t}ya$, with higher numbers there seems to be no clear distinction between cardinal and ordinal usage: cardinals are frequently used where ordinals would be expected. See, for example, 20.8ab and 11ab:

caturviṃśati yat tattvaṃ prakṛtiṃ viddhi niścayam dvāviṃśati ahamkāras tattvam uktam manīsibhih

Know the twenty-fourth Tattva certainly as Prakṛti. The twenty-second Tattva is Ahaṃkāra according to the wise.

This phenomenon is known, to some extent, from epic Sanskrit,⁹¹ but is even more characteristic of classical Newar.⁹²

Stem form nouns

Stem form nouns, or uninflected nominal bases (*prātipadikas*), are extremely common in the language of the VSS. While such forms are not alien to the Aiśa Sanskrit of Śaiva Tantras, ⁹³ the sheer frequently in the VSS is striking and reminiscent of the zero suffix of the nominative and accusative—or rather of the 'casus indefinitus' or 'absolutive case'—of classical Newar. ⁹⁴ Very often, these uninflected forms are required to restore the metre, making them difficult to emend. Moreover, they frequently blend in *sandhi* with the following word, thus reinforcing their presence.

Some clear-cut examples, with the expected but usually unmetrical standard form in parentheses, include:

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1.63a: vāyunā pāda saṃkṣipya (pādaṃ)
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^{1.63}c: tenāpi pāda saṃkṣipya (pādaṃ)

^{2.25}c: bhogam akṣaya tatraiva (akṣayaṃ)

^{2.26}d: īśānānām smṛtālayaḥ (smṛta ālayaḥ)

^{4.19}f: prasahyasteya pañcamam (°steyaṃ)

^{4.72}a: caturdhyānādhunā (°dhyānam adhunā)

⁹¹ See Oberlies 2003, §5.2.2, pp. 127–128.

⁹² See Jørgensen 1941, 42 and Otter 2020, 57.

⁹³ See, e.g., Kiss 2015, 75-77 and Goodall et al. 2015, 126 and 441.

⁹⁴ Jørgensen 1941, 18 and 21, and Otter 2020, 16.

4.77a: pramādasthāna pañcaiva (°sthānaṃ or °sthānāni) 6.5c: vedādhyayana kartavyaṃ (vedādhyayanaṃ) 6.14a: dvitīyam tattva purusam (tattvam)

Vocabulary

The special vocabulary of the VSS includes the following: karhacit for karhicit (in some MSS in 4.3b, and 4.47b): see Edgerton 1953, vol. 2, s.v. karhacid; hṛdi as nominative 10.27cd, 20.17a, 22.24ab; tirya for tiryanc/tiryak (3.5c, 4.6a, 4.30a, 8.4c, 12.150, 18.12, 18.15, etc.); me instead of mayā (8.30d, 11.4b, 12.24b, 12.55a, 12.113d, etc.); hāhūta [sam] plavana for ābhūta [sam] plavana (2.13a, 12.151b); puna for punar (1.3a); nirdeha for videha (1.12d); koṭya for koṭi (thematisation, 1.52c); ālayana for ālaya (possibly 2.3a); iṛṣyatā for iṛṣyā (2.6d); vaṇi for vaṇij (thematisation, 9.16a); sara for saras (thematisation, 10.27a); sakhāyā for sahāyā (12.36c); śreṣṭhi for śreṣṭhin (thematisation, 12.63a, 12.80a); śaśi for śaśin (thematisation, 12.110d).

Metre

Perhaps the most striking metrical feature of the text is its generous use of the poetic licence sometimes labelled $muta\ cum\ liquida^{98}$ —that is, allowing a syllable to remain light (laghu) before certain consonant clusters that would normally make it heavy $(guru)^{99}$ Syllables beginning with pr, br, kr, and also hr, especially (in theory, exclusively) at the beginning of words, are well-known candidates for this licence. ¹⁰⁰ In the VSS, tr, dr, bhr,

⁹⁵ See diśi as nominative in Aiśa in Kiss 2015, 83.

⁹⁶ See Oberlies 2003, 4.1.3 [pp. 102–103].

⁹⁷ See Middle Indic *puna* mentioned in Edgerton 1953, vol. 2, s.v. *punā*.

⁹⁸ I.e., 'stop with liquid.' The term *muta* stands for a 'plosive' sound or 'stop'. For a recent contribution on this phenomenon, see Sen 2006 (discussing it as it appears in Latin).

⁹⁹ On its appearance in Śaiva Tantras, see, e.g., Goodall 2004, lxxxi and Goodall et al. 2015, 441. The latter concerns the syllable spa in sparśan in Niśvāsa nayasūtra 2.55cd: sparśatanmātra sparśan tu gṛḥṇate tvacam āśṛṭaḥ.

 $^{^{100}}$ See, e.g., Apte 1890, Appendix A p. 1. Note that even there, the phenomenon extends beyond plosive sounds: b is rather a fricative.

vr, śr, and also śy, 101 śv, sv, and dv, can also trigger this phenomenon. 102 All these syllables involve conjunct consonants with a semivowel in second position. Since the sound in first position is not always a plosive ('muta'), the term muta cum liquida is actually less than perfect in our case. I therefore propose the terms 'krama licence' or kramasaṃyoga. To give reasons for this, and for context, it is perhaps not useless to briefly show what a well-known author on prosody, Kedārabhaṭṭa (11th or 12th century), 103 who is frequently quoted by Mallinātha, has to say on this phenomenon in his Vṛttaratnākara (here given together with Sulhaṇa's Sukavihṛdayanandinī commentary): 104

padādā v^{105} iha varņasya saṃyogaḥ kramasaṃjñikaḥ | puraḥsthitena tena syāl laghutā 'pi kvacid guroḥ || 1.10 ||

In this [field, i.e., in *chandaḥśāstra*], conjunct consonants (*saṃ-yoga*) in a word-initial syllable (*padādau varṇasya*) is called a 'sequence' conjunct (*krama*[*saṃyoga*]). [A syllable that counts as] heavy because one such [consonant cluster] stands in front [of it, i.e., after it] can sometimes be treated as light.

[Comm.:] vibhaktyantam padam tasya padasyādau vartamāno yo varņas tasya samyogaḥ | sa iha śāstre kramasamjño jñeyaḥ | tena krameṇa purovartinā prākpadānte vartamānasya prāptagurubhāvasyāpi laghutā syāt | kvacil lakṣ[y]ānurodhena | nanu ka eṣaḥ kramo nāma saṃyoga ucyate | pūrvācāryāṇām piṅgalanāgaprabhṛtīnām kālidāsādīnām ca kavīnām samayaḥ parigṛhītaḥ | saṃyogaḥ kramasaṃyogaḥ || 10 || tatra gra-saṃyogan yathā | idam asyodāharaṇam |

A 'word' is [a unit of speach that] ends in an inflection. A 'conjunct' is in a 'syllable' which is at the beginning of such a word. 'In this' field of science, it is to be known under the term 'sequence' (*krama*). By that sequence which stands in front, [a syllable] at the end of the previous word, even if it acquired heaviness [by position], may acquire lightness. 'Some-

See, e.g., the cadence of 5.15b: śukaśyenakān for $\sim \sim - \sim -$

¹⁰² See Oberlies 2003, xxxvii, for an even wider range of conjuncts triggering the same in the MBh.

¹⁰³ Ollett 2013, 333.

¹⁰⁴ Patel 2020.

Some editions read $p\bar{a}d\bar{a}^{\circ}$.

times' [means:] as required. If you have doubts about this combination of consonants called 'sequence' (*krama*), [I reply:] the old teachers such as Piṅgalanāga and poets such as Kālidāsa accepted [this] rule. The conjunct (*saṃyoga*) is the sequence[-type] (*krama*) [i.e., word-initial] conjunct (*saṃyoga*) [in this case]; among [the possibilities,] for example with the conjunct *gr*. Here is an example of that:

taruṇaṃ sarṣapaśākaṃ navaudanaṃ picchalāni ca dadhīni | alpavyayena sundari grāmyajano miṣṭam aśnāti || 1.11 ||

Tender mustard seed, fresh porridge, and creamy curds: men in the village eat these kinds of savoury dishes, O pretty girl, because they do not have much money.¹⁰⁶

The example verse given above (1.11) is in $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$, and the metric pattern of the second half-verse is, strictly speaking, the following:

For any $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$, this is unmetrical for it yields twenty-eight moræ, instead of the expected twenty-seven. By treating the final syllable of *sundari* short, in spite of the following $gr\bar{a}$, the pattern conforms to the expected pattern:

The commentator gives several more examples, involving the syllables *gra*, *hra*, and *bhra*, and confirms that the rule applies only to word-initial consonant clusters:

padādāv iti kim | anyatra mā bhūt |

Why 'at the beginning of a word'? [Because] elsewhere it should not be.

Here follow some examples from the VSS. The syllables with the *krama* conjunct consonant, before which the syllable is not turned into heavy, are encircled, and the metre is given in parentheses.

¹⁰⁶ I.e., 'you are pretty, don't waste your time with poor village men who can't afford more sophisticated food.'

Vṛṣasārasamgraha

harīndra bra hmādibhir āsamagraṃ (upajāti)
prajñābodha śrutiṃ smṛtiṃ ca labhate mānaṃ ca
nityaṃ labhed (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
iti yama(pra)vibhāgaḥ kīrtito 'yaṃ dvijendra (mālinī)
parastrīpara dra)vyeṣu śaucaṃ kāyikam ucyate (pathyā)
vānaprasthasya (tri)guņam yatīnām tu caturguņam
(na-vipulā)
haṃsasārasacakrāhvakukkuṭān śuka(śye)nakān (pathyā)
brahmalokam tu pra thamam tattvaprakṛticintayā
(na-vipulā)
tasmān mauna <u>vra</u> taṃ sadaiva sudṛḍhaṃ kurvīta
yo niścitaṃ (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
īśānenābhijuṣṭaṃ hṛdi (bra)da vimalaṃ
nādaśītāmbupūrṇam (sragdharā)
manaḥśuddhis tu prajthamaṃ dravyaśuddhir
ataḥ param (na-vipulā)

These indeed follow the rule of having the special conjunct with the semi-vowel at the beginning of a word in the sense that the word can be a member of a compound. 107 As noted above, since conjuncts such as $\dot{s}r$ and hr show up in this phenomenon, the phrase 'muta cum liquida' is slightly misleading, and therefore I use the phrase 'krama licence' instead. To understand how unique the VSS's indulgence in this krama licence is, the epics and the Purāṇas should perhaps be examined from this perspective.

Another metrical oddity, or rather, metrical licence, applied regularly in the VSS, exclusively in non-*anuṣṭubh* verses, is that a word-final light syllable can count as heavy. Here are some examples, with the light syllable now turned heavy encircled:¹⁰⁸

 $^{^{\}rm 107}\,$ There are some problematic verses that I ignore here. They are unlikely to change the overall picture.

¹⁰⁸ Versions of VSS 4.5a in the MBh and the *Matsyapurāṇa* read °*yuktaṃ vacanaṃ*, avoiding the metrical problem (see the apparatus at the relevant verse in the edition).

Introduction

3:42d:	etatpuṇyaphalam ahiṃsakajanaḥ prāpnoti
	niḥsaṃśayaḥ (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
4.5a:	na narmayuktam anṛtaṃ hinasti (upajāti)
4.39c:	aśeṣaya(jña)tapadānapuṇyaṃ (upajāti)
4.59c:	vijñānadharma kulakīrtināśa (upajāti)
4.59d:	bhavanti vi(pra) damayā vihīnāḥ (upajāti)
5.20a:	śaucāśaucavidhijña mānava yadi) kālakṣaye
	niścayaḥ (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
6.18b:	jijñāsyantāṃ dvijen dra bhavadahanakaraḥ prārthanā
	kalpavṛkṣaḥ (sragdharā)
7.13b:	saubhāgyam atulaṃ labheta sa naro rūpaṃ tathā
	śobhanam (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
8.44d:	na bhavati punaja <u>nma</u> kalpakoṭyāyute 'pi (mālinī)
11.42b:	saṃsāroddhara(ṇa)m anityahara(ṇa)m
	ajñānanirmūlanam (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
11.42c:	prajñāvṛddhika(ra)m amoghakaraṇaṃ
	kleśārṇavottāraṇaṃ (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
11.42d:	janmavyādhiharam akarmadahanam
	sevet sa dharmo-ttamam (śārdūlavikrīḍita)
12.150c:	nityaṃ rogādhivāsam aniyatavapuṣaṃ
	trāhi māṃ kālapāśāt (sragdharā)

When the syllable that is turned into heavy is followed by -m (see 3.42d, 4.5a, 7.13b, 11.42bcd, and 12.150c among the examples above), the phenomenon can be treated as the one described in Edgerton 1953, vol. 1, §2.68–69, p. 19–20:

- 2.68. As in M Indic generally, anusvāra is often used instead of any final nasal. This seems to be more than a merely orthographic matter. For it occurs before vowels, in what must have been close juncture [...]
- 2.69. Most texts make use of this practice in verses for metrical convenience. It is absolutely standard practice in all verses to use final m before a following initial vowel if meter requires a short final syllable, but m if a long is required. No editor has seen this clearly; all editions are confused and inconsistent in this respect. So are the mss. to some extent; but they follow

the rule in an overwhelming majority of instances, and there can be no question of its original validity; the exceptions are mere corruptions of tradition.

Upon re-examination, none of the witnesses of the VSS that were collated, or only consulted for this purpose $(C_{94}C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}MP_{57}Ko_{77}Ko_{76})$, seems to use an anusvāra in the above cases. There is only one exception: M writes anityaharanam, °vrddhkaram and °vyādhiharam in 11.42 before vowels (but not samsāroddharanam!). The same MS has neither m or m in 12.150c (°vāsa aniyata°). One could argue that this lack of awareness of *m* before a vowel indicating *gurutva* in almost all cases in all MSS are 'mere corruptions of tradition,' and then typesetting such -m + vowel combinations as -m + vowel would be commendable. On the other hand there is little evidence that in the transmission of the VSS anusvāras were used in this way. This is why I hesitate to apply 'Edgerton's rule' in this edition. Another argument against applying it is all the cases in which the syllable turned into heavy ends in a vowel (4.39c, 4.59cd, 5.20a, 6.18b, and 8.44d among the examples above). There can be no orthographical indication of gurutva there; there may have not been any need of it in the other cases either. In general, all the metrical laxity discussed above may originate from the authors' or redactors' insensitivity to the difference between light/short and heavy/long syllables, or short and long vowels, possibly from the underlying Newar language.

Against Newar: no loan words no phonetic changes like l-r

CHECKthe more original a section the more extreme language? see ch11

Authors, redactors and target audience

It is more than likely that the VSS was produced by a group of authors and redactors, rather than by a single individual. First, the extent of the text and the variety of its topics cast doubt on whether one author could have undertaken the task. More importantly, the language varies from chapter to chapter: the peculiarities of the Sanskrit used in the VSS, as described above, do not appear to the same degree in every the chapter. For example, the language of chapter three displays strong signs of a possible Newar influence, and chapter seventeen is rather problematic and non-standard,

containing some of the most ungrammatical sentences in the entire work, whereas, i.e., chapter seven is relatively well-written, in a simple and clear style—though still far from perfect Sanskrit.

Thus, one could picture a group of Pandits—in our case, probably in 9-10th-century Kathmandu—none of whom possessed a high degree of mastery in Sanskrit, likely with a Newar background, and a broad knowledge of the Mahābhārata, the Purānas, Dharmaśāstra, and some limited acquaintance with Saiva Tantra and Buddhism. They might have distributed among themselves the task of writing—or collecting and redacting different parts of the text on various topics, in an effort to create a new Dharmaśāstric work that introduced some radical innovations concerning the āśrama-system, the varnas, on Śiva's world (the Śivanda), and so forth. Surely, the different layers of the text—general Dharmaśāstric, Vaisnava, and Saiva—were composed by authors or redactors with varying religious and intellectual backgrounds. While each individual chapter exhibits its own linguistic and compositional issues, the final redaction—that is, the overall design of the final structure and the assembly of the text as we now have it—is a brilliant achievement: transitions between chapters and between doctrinal layers are, in most cases, not only smooth but may also encode a hidden message, suggesting a progression from the everyday (Dharmaśāstra) to the religious (Vaiṣṇava), and from the exoteric to the esoteric (Śaiva).110

As for the target audience, it is difficult to say anything definite. One of the aims of the article Kiss 2021 was to search for clues regarding the rôle of the VSS in the Śivadharma corpus; it also touches upon the possible social milieu and intended audience(s) of the VSS. The conclusion therein (pp. 200–201), focusing on the fusion of Vaiṣṇava and Śaiva material in the VSS, and on the reinterpretations of the āśrama system in its eleventh chapter, includes the following:

The *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha*'s role in the Śivadharma corpus is then twofold: it provides a text that is suitable for Vaiṣṇavas and

¹⁰⁹ See p. 34.

This is not to say that there are no evident contradictions and overlaps when similar teachings in different chapters are compared. For instance, one teaching on observing silence (*mauna*) gives four categories (4.69), while another, similar one, gives five (8.25–33).

Śaivas, presenting its teachings on different levels of an esoteric scale, the Śaiva teachings being closest to the core, and always providing an internalised, secret version of topics discussed in the other layers; and it also reinvents the traditional āśrama system in a Śaiva way, but in such a manner that would be acceptable for other religious groups. This may be an attempt to further develop an idea that appears in both the Śivadharmaśāstra and the Śivadharmottara.¹¹¹

Indeed, one of the most striking features of the VSS is its structure, in which Vaiṣṇava material frames Śaiva teachings (see pp. 11 ff. above). Its intended audience must have included adherents of both religious traditions. Even the title is not unambiguously Śaiva, as previously discussed (see pp. 6ff. above). Thus, we probably cannot maintain that the text is primarily Śaiva or that its main target was lay Śaivas. Rather, it seeks a balance between Vaiṣṇava and Śaiva teachings, and this duality most likely reflects the religiopolitical reality of its time.

What must be stressed is the text's radicalism in certain chapters—for example, in chapters 2, 11, and 19. These chapters appear to deconstruct the religious duties of the householder, internalise the social disciplines (āśrama), and reinvent the origin of the social classes (varṇa), respectively. This radicalism and innovativeness may have been among the reasons for the composition of the VSS.

A mixture of radical innovations, an idealistic rejection of the traditional *varṇāśrama*-system, and the praise of yogic practices and the Pāśupata tradition may have been intended to appeal both to the lay Śaiva and Vaiṣṇava householder and to aspiring yogins and ascetics.

¹¹¹ [Footnote in the original:] These texts use new phrases for the four āśramas: Śivadharmaśāstra chapter eleven uses the terms śivagṛhāśramin, śivabrahmacārin, śivavaikhānasa and śivavratīndra, while the Śivadharmottara 12.203–207 uses śivabrahmacārin, śivāśramadharmasthaḥ gṛhasthaḥ, śivāśramavanastha, and for the fourth category both the terms pāśupata and mahāvratadhara. On this topic, see De Simini 2016a, 52–53 and Bisschop, Lubin and Kafle 2021, 17 ff. [i.e., Bisschop et al. 2021, 17 ff.]

Why was the VSS included in the Sivadharma corpus?

It is difficult to ascertain why, when and how, the VSS was included in the Sivadharma corpus. The corpus itself, as De Simini (2016b, 233) writes, 'as we know it seems to be an invention of Nepal'. To summarise the relevant part of Harimoto 2022 on the formation of the Sivadharma corpus, it appears that the earliest unit formed as a collection of texts may have comprised the Śivadharmaśāstra and the Śivadharmottara—two texts probably composed, or at least known, outside Nepal—and the Śivadharmasamgraha, whose provenance remains obscure. These were later joined by the Umāmaheśvarasamvāda, and then by the beginning of the tenth century CE, by the Śivopanisad. This development is inferred from some of the colophons in the Munich MS (MS M): the colophon of the *Umāmahe*śvarasamvāda, the fourth text in that MS—likely copied from an earlier exemplar—suggests that the corpus was considered fourfold, whereas the colophon of the Śivopaniṣad, the fifth text, presents it as fivefold (Harimoto 2022, 600–603). In MS M, the VSS appears to have been written in a later hand, perhaps indicating that it was added subsequently.

The VSS may have already been existence, most probably in the Kathmandu valley, well before the beginning of the tenth century (see p. 20ff). It was probably added to the collection after the original set of three or four texts had been augmented with additional texts in Nepal. The VSS must have been considered a valuable work, and its survival was secured by its attachment to a prestigious corpus. Alternatively, it may have been commissioned by a king in Kathmandu after a preliminary version of the corpus had already become well-known, in response to a perceived need to add a locally composed text.

Contents of chapters 1–12

The following are brief descriptions of the topics covered in chapters 1–12 of the VSS, which have been edited and translated in this volume. Each description is accompanied by brief discussions and some analytical remarks. 112

Adhyāya 1

After a mangala-verse that addresses a deity whose identity is obscure (verse 1.1; is it Śiva or the impersonal Brahman?), we enter the first layer of the text, which consists of a dialogue between Janamejaya and Vaiśampāyana. This layer could be labelled Dharmaśāstric. Janamejaya seeks to hear the essence—the ultimate Dharmic teaching—of the Mahābhārata. In response, Vaiśampāyana begins relating a dialogue in which Viṣṇu, disguised as a Brahmin, tests an ascetic named Anarthayajña, renowned for performing non-material, i.e., internalised, sacrifice (anarthayajña, the subject of adhyāya eleven), and a devotee of Viṣṇu (as revealed in adhyāya twenty-one). This marks the beginning of the layer that could be labelled Vaiṣṇava (see pp. 11ff).

The first topic they discuss is *brahmavidyā* (1.9–10), an ambiguous definition of the impersonal Brahman and/or the syllable *oṃ*. The next topics include *kāla* ('death, time'), the origin of the body, karma (1.11–17), and the divisions of time (from *truṭi* and *nimeṣa* up to *kalpas*, 1.18–30), which lead to a teaching on numbers, ranging from one up to two hundred quadrillion (*para*, 1.31–35). Verses 1.36–39 introduce a list of the rulers of the eight regions of Brahmā's Egg (Brahmāṇḍa, that is, the universe, 1.40–48). In addition, Viṣṇu is presented as the ruler of the centre of the Brahmāṇḍa (1.49), reaffirming the general Vaiṣṇava character of this layer. Verses 1.50–57 give the numbers of subordinates to each ruler mentioned above. Verses 1.58–61 teach the measurements of the Brahmāṇḍa. Finally, verses 1.62–75 list the redactors and transmitters of the Purāṇas, from Brahmā to Vyāsa Dvaipāyana, Romaharṣa, and Romaharṣa's son Amitabuddhi.

See more details in the footnotes to the translation. See a Sanskrit summary of the contents of the VSS, based on Naraharinath's edition, in Acharya 2014, 61–72.

Adhyāya 2

Seemingly a reaction, counterpart, or addendum to the previous chapter which discussed Brahmā's Egg, this chapter introduces Śiva's Egg (Śivānḍa), potentially an innovation of the VSS. Śiva's Egg is portrayed as an esoteric, mysterious, and thus superior part of the universe, accessible only through Śaiva yogic practices (śivayoga, 2.34). A description is given of an idealistic and egalitarian society ('There is no master or servant there, nobody to be punished and no punisher,' etc., 2.5ff). The text goes on to deconstruct the 'Hindu' religious universe and the Dharmic ritual life of the devotee, eliminating the Kalpas and karma (2.11–12), all mythological creatures (2.14–15), and ritual action (2.16).

Following this, the text describes the details of the Śivāṇḍa—its height and width, its lovely flowers, fruits, golden trees, gem trees, coral gem thickets and ruby plants (2.17–25). The chapter then introduces a scheme that divides the Śivāṇḍa into five regions, each connected to one of Śiva's five faces, and subdivided into the thirty-eight *kalā*s of the five Brahmamantras.

This chapter can be perceived as an innovative attempt to reinforce the Śaiva character of the text, counterbalancing the previous chapter. It also seems to reflect tantric, or pre-tantric, Pāśupata ideas and further emphasises the text's yogic character by implementing another esoteric, meditative layer of the universe above, or outside the Brahmāṇḍa (śivāṇḍāb-hyantareṇaiva, 1.39a). One could theorise that this chapter is a tantric, or Pāśupata, insertion in a non-tantric text, but the fact that the Śivāṇḍa was already mentioned in chapter one suggests that the two chapters were likely composed at the same time.

Overall, the concept of the Śivāṇḍa appears to be a bold attempt to transcend the fundamentals of *varṇāśramadharma* in a radical manner by relativising basic social and moral distinctions. This perhaps distantly echoes Pāśupata teachings, and suggests that Śaivism—or perhaps tantric Śaivism—is superior to generic Dharmaśāstric tenets. This radicalism, perhaps the main motive behind the composition of the VSS, is perceivable again in chapter eleven, which discusses the internalisation of the *āśrama*-system, and in chapter nineteen, where it is suggested that the *varṇa*s originate from a social contract.

Adhyāya 3

This chapter starts with general questions about Dharma, including the etymology of the word *dharma*, Dharma's embodiments—especially as a bull—and the family of personified Dharma (3.1–13). Dharma is declared to be the embodiment of Śruti and Smṛti (3.14–15). Smṛti is described as concerning the *varṇāśrama*-system, as well as rules of conduct, i.e., the *yama* and *niyama* rules, which are the focus of 3.16–8.44. Each rule is five-fold. The *yamas* are: *ahiṃsā*, *satya*, *asteya*, *ānṛśaṃsya*, *dama*, *ghṛṇā*, *dhanya*, *apramāda*, *mādhurya*, and *ārjava*. This list is more similar to ones found in the *Mahābhārata* than to yogic lists such as the one in the *Yogasūtra*, ¹¹³ but the closest parallel is found in the *Viṣṇudharmottara*. ¹¹⁴

The rest of this chapter elaborates on the first yama, non-violence (a-hiṃsā), focusing particularly on the five kinds of violence (3.18–23). After a general praise of non-violence (3.24–32), the text discusses restrictions on meat consumption, quoting Manu in 3.34-37.

Adhyāya 4

Verses 4.1–17 discuss the second *yama*, truthfulness (*satya*). After defining truth (*satya*, 4.1), rules for speaking the truth are presented, illustrated with references to mythological stories.

Verses 4.18–30 cover the third yama, refraining from stealing (asteya). The fourth yama, absence of hostility (ānṛśaṃsya), is introduced in verses 4.31–49. It consists of being kind to Śiva, to fathers and mothers, cows, and guests, with particular emphasis on the praise of cows and rules of hospitality. The story of the mongoose in the MBh (MBh 14.92–93) is mentioned in this context.

Verses 4.50-59 elaborate on the fifth yama, self-restraint (dama), possibly drawing on the Buddhacarita, with further references to mythological stories. The sixth yama, concerning taboos $(ghṛṇ\bar{a})$ is addressed in verses 4.60-67. These taboos concern restrictions on sexual partners, taking away

¹¹³ See, e.g., *Mahābhārata* 12.8.17ab: *ahiṃsā satyavacanam ānṛśaṃsyaṃ damo ghṛṇā*. On *yamas* and *niyamas* in the ŚDhŚ and related texts, see also Bisschop et al. 202111–17.

¹¹⁴ VDhU 3.233.203: ānṛśaṃsyaṃ kṣamā satyam ahiṃsā ca damaḥ spṛhā | dhyānaṃ prasādo mādhuryaṃ cārjavaṃ ca yamā daśa ||. The Viṣṇudharmottara is probably earlier than 1000 CE (see Rocher 1986, 252).

others' wealth and lives, hurting others, and commensality.

The seventh *yama* is *dhanya*, which I translate as 'virtue' (4.68–76). Five areas of practising virtue are mentioned here: maintaining silence in four situations; conquering the fourfold enemy—desire, anger, greed, and delusion; the 'four sanctuaries' (*caturāyatana*), which are in fact the Buddhist *brahmavihāras*; four types of meditation (on *ātman*, *vidyā*, Śiva, and the Subtle One); and Dharma as a four-legged bull. The basic pattern is that each of its five subcategories has a fourfold structure.

The eighth yama provides instructions how to avoid mistakes and committing sins (apramāda, 4.77–82), with verses 4.77–81 following Manu. The ninth yama is charm (mādhurya), which involves being kind both mentally and through bodily actions (4.83–85). The tenth and final yama is sincerity (ārjava, 4.86–89), completing the section on the ten yamas.

Adhyāya 5

This chapter begins the section on the *niyama* rules, which are śauca, ijyā, tapas, dāna, svādhyāya, upasthanigraha, vrata, upavāsa, mauna, and snāna. This list also appears in the Lingapurāṇa (1.8.29cd–30ab) and the Viṣṇudharmottara (3.233.202). The discussion on the first niyama, purity (śauca, 5.4–20) seems incomplete. As usual, we expect a list of five sub-types, but there seem to be only four here. The third and fourth types (mātrā- and bhāva-śauca) are rather vague, and no details are given about them. While the first two—bodily purity and purity of food—are discussed to some extent, partly drawing on Manu in verses 5.5–9 and 5.10–16, the rest of the discussion is quite general. It seems likely that the author of this section borrowed a list of four or five items from an external source but felt unable to elaborate on some of them.

Adhyāya 6

The second *niyama*, sacrifice (*ijyā*), is discussed in verses 6.1–18. It again includes five types: material sacrifice, sacrifice through work and through recitation, knowledge, and meditation. Corresponding or similar teachings on the 'five *mahāyajñas*' can be found in texts such as the *Bhagavadgītā* (4.28), *Manu* (3.69–71), and *Śivadharmottara* (1.10). The section on sacrifice through meditation (*dhyānayajña*) describes visualisations that lead one to Brahmaloka, Viṣṇuloka, Śivaloka, etc., if practised at the time of dying. The visualisations themselves are reminiscent of some

of the teachings in the Dharmaputrikā.115

The third *niyama*, penance (*tapas*) is the focus of verses 6.19–28. with verses 6.21–22 echoing the *Mahābhārata*.

Adhyāya 7

This chapter addresses the fourth niyama, donation ($d\bar{a}na$). The five subcategories here are donation of food, clothes, gold, land, and cows (7.1–25). The chapter concludes with praise for the practice of donation (7.26–28).

This chapter is relatively well-written, composed in simple and generally straightforward language, in contrast to some passages in the previous chapters that contain radically non-standard Sanskrit. One cannot help feeling that the author or redactor of this and some of the following chapters is different from those of chapters one and two, for example.

Adhyāya 8

In a similarly more or less straightforward chapter, six additional *niyama* rules are taught. The fifth *niyama*, study (*svādhyāya*) is covered first (8.1–6). The five pillars of the intellectual milieu in which this teaching was likely composed are Śaivism, Sāṃkhya philosophy, the Purāṇas, Smārta texts (i.e., Dharmaśāstra), and the *Mahābhārata* (8.1). Śaivism is defined through the dichotomy of the Śaiva and Pāśupata traditions. The Sāṃkhya*tattvas* are said to be taught in groups of five, suggesting a 25-*tattva* system. The *Mahābhārata* is identified as *itihāsa*.

Verses 8.7–12 list the five types of sexual offences that constitute the sixth *niyama* rule (*upasthanigraha*).

Verses 8.13–18 address the seventh *niyama*, religious observances (*vrata*). Four of these observances are, in principle, imitations of animal behaviour: cats, herons, dogs, and cows. The fifth is somewhat obscure but could be an imitation of Bhīṣma's dying scene in the *Mahābhārata*. All of these observances are radical and may be based on Pāśupata practices.

Verses 8.19–24 teach dietary restrictions as the eighth *niyama* rule (*up-avāsa*), with verse 8.21 drawing on the *Mahābhārata*. Verses 8.25–33 describe the ninth *niyama*, *mauna*, outlining when to remain silent and what

¹¹⁵ See p. 18.

to avoid saying, including abusive speech and insults.

Ritual bathing (*snāna*) concludes the chapter in verses 8.34–44. This tenth *niyama* rule, and consists of five types: fire-bath, water-bath, Vedic bath, Wind bath, and divine or heavenly bath.

This chapter also concludes the entire section, which has taught twenty major rules in total, each theoretically consisting of five subcategories.

Adhyāya 9

This chapter turns to a discussion of the three Guṇas, *sattva, rajas*, and *tamas*. The treatment of the topic seems less philosophical and more moralising and classificatory. It categorizes gods, people, animals, plants, activities, and foods into Sāttvika, Rājasa, and Tāmasa, as well as into superior, mediocre, and low variants of Sāttvika, Rājasa, etc. Mixed categories such as Tāmasa-Rājasa are also mentioned.

The chapter concludes by introducing the yogic or moral concept of a state of being beyond the Guṇas (9.39–43), again most probably inspired by the MBh.

Adhyāya 10

At the very beginning of this chapter, our interlocutors, Vigatarāga and Anarthayajña, hand over the narration to Nandikeśvara, who immediately begins recounting a dialogue between Śiva and Devī. This marks a shift to a new layer of the text, which can be labelled Śaiva. The topic discussed is internalised pilgrimage places (*tīrtha*).

The significance of this chapter lies in the possibility that the topographical names mentioned, and their hierarchy, may provide clues about the text's place of composition. Another clue—this time for the dating of the text—is that, while the yogic tubes Suṣumnā and Iḍā are mentioned in verses 10.17 and 20–21, there is no clear mention of Piṅgalā, the third tube traditionally associated with them, anywhere in the text. For more details on both topics, see pp. 20ff.

Adhyāya 11

This chapter is crucial for understanding what the VSS may have aspired to achieve and why the main interlocutor of the Vaiṣṇava chapters is named Anartayajña. The primary focus here is 'non-material' sacrifice, or *anartha*-

yajña, which essentially represents internalized sacrifice or worship, or rather the internalisation of all aspects of the religious life of a 'Hindu' devotee, within each of the four social disciplines (āśrama).

Given the omnipresence of the name and concept of Anarthayajña/anarthayajña, this chapter could be central to the development of the entire text. See pp. 12ff and Kiss 2021 for more details.

Adhyāya 12

Although non-violence is mentioned alongside hospitality as a topic to be discussed in this chapter, it is clear that hospitality is the primary focus of this long chapter. Following verse 12.3, we find a charming, fairy-tale-like narrative about the adventures of Vipula, a merchant of Pāṭaliputra. Vipula is forced to give his wife to a visiting Brahmin to honour his promise to his guest, which leads him to leave his home and wander southward. At this point a series of miraculous events unfolds, triggered by the fact that a magical fruit with the power of bestowing youthfulness is gifted to him by a monkey. Instead of eating the fruit, Vipula gives it away, and the king of Naravīrapura (i.e., Karavīrapura?) orders him to obtain more such fruits.

A quest for more fruit leads Vipula to the Gandharva king, god Sūrya, Soma, Indra, Viṣṇu, and ultimately to Brahmā's palace.

The story ends abruptly, giving the impression that it was part of a longer narrative. Although the story's starting point is the necessity to satisfy a guest's wishes (*ātithya*, or the rules of guest reception), another key focus appears to be the rewards of donation or gifting (*dāna*): Vipula gifts his wife to the Brahmin; a monkey gives him a magical fruit; he gives the magical fruit to the foreman of the guild; the foreman gives the fruit to the king; it turns out that the fruit was originally given to the monkey by the Gandharva king; who in turn received it from Indra; and so forth.

One of the lessons suggested by the story's conclusion—where Vipula is honored by Brahmā and other gods—is that donors eventually receive great rewards. The narrative also features a recurring theme of testing people while in disguise: Viṣṇu tests Anarthayajña disguised as Vigatarāga (see 1.7–8), and now Vipula seems to be tested by a Brahmin who may in fact be Dharma himself (12.37).

Topics in chapters 13-24

Here follow some preliminary summaries of the chapters in the second half of the text, to be edited and translated in volume two.

Adhyāya 13

After possibly referring back to chapters ten, eleven, and twelve, Devī now asks Mahādeva what purpose the easy method (*sukhopāya*) serves when people and divine beings remain indifferent. Mahādeva's reply contains references to the three *guṇas* and this prompts another question from Devī about them.

The reply that follows touches upon the three Sāṃkhya categories prākṛta-, vaikṛta-, and dakṣiṇābandha—and transmigration (13.1–14). This triggers another question about the formation of the embryo (garb-hotpatti). The rest of this chapter deals with this topic, as well as the pain of being reborn (13.15–68).

Adhyāya 14

A continuation of the previous chapter, this one deals with the question of differences in bodily appearance among humans: why are some people short or fat, others tall or thin? Mahādeva explains that food consumed and actions taken during pregnancy are the main causes (14.1–5). Devī's next question concerns bodily defects in a child, such as blindness, lameness, being born hump-backed or as a dwarf. Again, it is the pregnant woman who is to blame (14.6–29).

Then the reasons why a child is born male, female, or gender-neutral (*apums*) are given: it depends on the proportion in which the male semen and the female blood (14.30–32) mix. The production of semen is discussed (14.33–38), as well as the possibility of remembering past lives (14.39–40), and the signs of pregnancy and the signs whether a boy or a girl has been conceived (14.40–46).

The production of bodily hair is then discussed (14.47–52), alongside the topic of *somadhātu* and *agnidhātu* (14.47–56).

Adhyāya 15

The first section of this chapter deals with the characteristics of the soul (*jī-valakṣaṇa*, 15.1–15). Then, prompted by Devī's request, Mahādeva pro-

vides a list of what constitutes the best within various categories: the best of the four *āśramas*, the four *varṇas*, sacrifices, recitations, deities, rivers, and so on (15.16–29).

Adhyāya 16

This chapter discusses yogic practices. The introduction (16.1–13) contains some verses that parallel various texts: a citation in Kauṇḍinya's commentary on the *Pāśupatasūtra*, the *Mahābhārata*, the *Bhaviṣyapurāṇa*, and the *Agnipurāṇa*.

The next section (16.14–18) is more specific about yogic techniques (yogavidhi): eight sitting postures are listed (padmaka, svastika, niṣkala, añjali, ardhacandra, daṇḍa, paryaṅka, bhadra), and a ṣaḍaṅga-type yogic system is explicitly introduced (pratyāhāra, dhyāna, prāṇāyāma, dhāraṇā, tarka, samādhi).

From verse 18 onwards we find a series of verses that have close parallels in the *Dharmaputrikā* (16.18–29). The signs of successful practice are enumerated (16.30–32). Verses 16.33–35 give hints on liberation without yogic practice.

Next (16.33–47), a new topic is introduced, namely the five important branches of knowledge (*śāstra*): Sāṃkhya, Yoga, the Pañcarātra, the Śaiva revelation, and Vedic knowledge (echoing and altering *Mahābhā-rata* 12.336.1). Devī expresses her satisfaction with what she has heard (16.48–50) and asks Maheśvara to continue and teach her about donations (*dāna*).

Adhyāya 17

The topics in the first part of this chapter are as follows: the donation of food, clothes, land, cows, gold (17.1-25). This is followed by miscellaneous verses connected to donations and the corresponding rewards that manifest in the next life (17.26-33).

Next come some verses alluding to Purāṇic stories about donation (17.34–36), and the topic of donating one's own flesh and blood, son and wife (17.37–52), again citing legends from the *Mahābhārata* and the Purāṇas.

The chapter ends by a brief discussion of the levels of donation (17.53–57) and their respective rewards.

Adhyāya 18

The main topic in this chapter is the marks that indicate that a man has been to heaven or hell before being reborn in his present life. For example, if somebody regularly gave food to the poor, he will depart to Īśaloka and, in his next life, will be rich. Alternatively, if one kills a Brahmin, one goes to hell, will spend millions of years as an animal and then will be reborn as a diseased and poor man.

Several examples of this sort are given throughout the chapter.

Adhyāya 19

Verses 19.1–19 deal with the importance and sacredness of the cow. Then the origin of the social classes (*varṇa*) is discussed, stating that originally there was only one *varṇa*, ¹¹⁶ and it was only later that the four classes developed driven by the need to distribute tasks (19.20–36).

Next, the types of penance, worship, and sacred places connected with the individual *varṇas* are listed.

Adhyāya 20

This chapter deals with a *Mahābhārata*-type 25-tattva ontological system, as opposed to a Classical Sāṃkhya-type teaching: no tanmātras are mentioned, instead the term guṇa is used; instead of mahābhūtas, dhātus are presented. Also, buddhi is called mati, and the 25th tattva is simultaneously Śiva, Brahmā, and the Purusa.

Verses 20.23-32 deal with the $pr\bar{a}nas$. Verses 20.83-89 discuss the state of unmanastva.

Adhyāya 21

In this chapter Viṣṇu reveals his real form to Anarthayajña, who has not been aware that the Brahmin Vigatarāga, whom he has been teaching is in fact Viṣṇu in disguise. Anarthayajña praises Viṣṇu, who, being satisfied, takes him by the hand and leads him to Viṣṇuloka.

By this we are brought back to the outermost layer of the text: the dialogue between Janamejaya and Vaiśampāyana. The topic here is the æons

¹¹⁶ ekavarno dvijaś cāsīt sarvakalpāgram agrataḥ (19:21). 'Before the very beginning of all æons, there was one single class of Brahmins.'

(kalpa).

Adhyāya 22

Here Janamejaya enquires about Anarthayajña. In reply, Vaiśampāyana gives details about Anarthayajña's dwelling place, 117 and religious practice called *anarthayajña*, described in more detail in chapter eleven.

Yogic practices that echo chapter sixteen are described. A cryptic tensyllable mantra is presented in an encoded form, followed by verses on religious conduct ($\bar{a}c\bar{a}ra$), women, and various categories of professionals of religious practice (vipra, muni, bhikṣu, nirgranthi, $parivr\bar{a}jaka$, rṣi).

Adhyāya 23

Janamejaya asks Vaiśampāyana about the reason why gods and demons fight. This leads to a discussion on *dharma* and *adharma*, and on good and bad conduct. This is followed by verses on how sleep arises.

Adhyāya 24

Janamejaya wishes to hear about the divisions of the world and the heavens: the hells (naraka), the netherworld ($p\bar{a}t\bar{a}la$), the seven islands ($dv\bar{i}pa$), Śivaloka, and so on.

The text ends with praise of the *sāstra* itself and with the enumeration of the rewards that one receives if one reads, recites, or listens to this text.

¹¹⁷ See pp. 24ff.

Introduction to the Critical Edition

Preliminary remarks

It is perhaps worth clarifying why the versions of the VSS and other texts of the Śivadharma corpus as printed in Naraharinath 1998 are not satisfactory, and why there is a need to produce high-quality critical editions of them. One could simply refer the reader to the apparatus in this new edition: the readings given in Naraharinath's *editio princeps* rarely prove useful or are accepted against the manuscript evidence. One could also point out further problems in Naraharinath's edition, such as countless typos, misreadings, and readings and omissions that may come from his law-quality sources, and a lack of any critical apparatus or any documentation of the witness(es) used. In addition to this, although it does not affect this volume, a great chunk of the text, VSS 17.38–18.16, is missing in Naraharinath.

It would be more difficult than this to vindicate in detail the methology I have applied. I find Hanneder's words on textual criticism comforting:

[T] extual criticism is often viewed as something to be learned by practice rather from reading about it. ... In fact, both translating and editing are something most Indologists have learned in a pragmatic way through examples from within the field, and some have managed to become quite good at it. ... [I]n

As West (1973, 61) puts it, following a long tradition of philologists: 'Is your edition really necessary? That is the first question.'

Just to quote a few from the first few verses: sahasrādhyāyar uttamam for sahasrādhyāyam uttamam (1.2b), nāradasamhitām for bhāratasamhitām (1.2d), śaṃkha for śaṅkuh (1.34b), omissions in 1.34cd-35, etc.

¹²⁰ He must have worked from paper manuscripts, see p. 73.

most cases this approach is sufficient ... 121

My experience is that when preparing critical editions, each text, and sometimes each manuscript or each chapter, *horribile dictu*, each verse, requires a slightly different approach, and these approaches keep changing during the editorial process. For example, the idea that there could be a connection between the linguistic oddities of the VSS and classical Newar arose relatively late, and it did change my views on some textual problems and some of the solutions thereof, and led me to change some of my previously proposed emendations. Thus editing is always subjective in the sense that the method applied is influenced by the editor's knowledge of the text, the genre, the milieu, etc., or in the case of this edition, the collective knowledge of all my colleagues who took part in VSS reading session and brainstorming meetings throughout the years.

Since it is not unlikely that originally the VSS had multiple authors and redactors, the text itself is also unlikely to be homogenous: each chapter may have its own style and its own types of textual problems. In addition to this, all MSS we have access to surely trasmit a highly contaminated version of the text. This makes the construction of a stemma codicum more or less useless in this case.

Witnesses

In the pre-modern era, the VSS has been transmitted exclusively in multiple-text manuscripts that were produced in Nepal. Even when a manuscript of the VSS seems to be a single-text MS, chances are high that it originally belonged to a multiple-text manuscript. ¹²² In the manuscript descriptions

¹²¹ Hanneder 2009, 5.

¹²² As I remarked elsewhere (Kiss 2021, 185, n. 9): 'Asiatic Society (Calcutta), Manuscript G 4076, cat. no. 4083, may seem to be an independent manuscript of the *Vṛṣasārasamgraha*, but as De Simini has already remarked (2016b, 240 n. 19), it is probably from a multiple text manuscript. In fact, from what can be gathered from its description in Shastri 1928, 716ff, it seems likely that this manuscript was originally part of manuscript Asiatic Society (Calcutta) G 3852, cat. no. 4085. See for example the folio numbering in these two manuscripts: ASC G 3852 contains 210 folios, and ASC G 4076 starts on folio 210.'

below, in addition to some general remarks, I will mainly focus on information relevant to the VSS. For much more detail on the overall features of these manuscripts, see De Simini 2016b, Bisschop 2018, Bisschop et al. 2021, Bisschop et al. forthcoming, and the catalogues I mention at some of the individual manuscript.¹²³

In recently published and forthcoming critical editions of and articles on the Śivadharma corpus, 124 the sigla of the manuscripts used are made up of a letter signifying the script (e.g. 'N' for Nepālākṣara/Newari), a superscript letter for the current location where the manuscript is deposited (e.g. 'C' for Cambridge), and two (sometimes only one or even three) subscript digits echoing the last digit(s), if any, of the reference number of the manuscript in the library where it is located or, in the case of NGMPP reel numbers, the last two digits of the first part of the reel number. Since in the case of the VSS all the manuscripts I utilised are written in some variant of the Nepālākṣara script, 126 in this publication I omit the first letter, making the letter for the current location non-superscript. This helps keeping the apparatus readable. In the manuscript descriptions below, I give this omitted and implied 'N' in brackets as a reminder.

Note that I mention here not only those MSS collated for the whole or parts of the critical edition, but also some that were initially considered for collation but later completely dismissed. I have retained the readings of a MS in the apparatus even if that MS was collated only for part of the text. To justify this practice, I refer to Goodall et al. 2015, 103, which describes a similar approach towards abandoned witnesses.¹²⁷

¹²³ I owe thanks to Florinda De Simini for sharing with me most of the manuscripts listed here, to Kengo Harimoto and Gudrun Melzer (Munich) for providing photos of the Munich MS, and to Nirajan Kafle for sharing a digital copy of the Paris MS with me.

¹²⁴ Bisschop 2018, Bisschop et al. 2021, and Bisschop et al. forthcoming.

For details of this system and for the underlying reasons, see Bisschop 2018, 50–51.

¹²⁶ I have not used NGMCP B 219/3 NAK 4/2537 (paper, Maithilī script), and L₁₆ (paper, Devanāgarī script, see below).

¹²⁷ '[MS] T [...] proved to be of such poor quality that we abandoned including its readings after collating just three chapters, $Nayas\bar{u}tra\ 2-4$. We have left most of its readings in the apparatus so that some data is available that shows how poor it is, but we have not collated it for the $M\bar{u}las\bar{u}tra$ and $Uttaras\bar{u}tra$.'

Cambridge manuscripts

(N)C₉₄ Cambridge University Library, Add. 1694.1. This MS has been fully collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a detailed description of this manuscript in the CUDL online catalogue. According to this catalogue, the date of creation of this manuscript is the 12th century, and its dimensions are 5 × ca. 53.5 cm. The script is Nepālākṣara. It is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 258 folios and transmitting eight texts: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasaṃgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 5) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 6) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 7) Dharmaputrikā, 8) Śivopaniṣad.

The VSS occupies 45 folios: it starts on f. 193v. The recto side, online image no. 381, is an empty folio side. The text ends on f. 239r (online image no. 473). The text of the VSS is transmitted fully, without any folios or major sections of the text missing. The leaves transmitting the VSS are well-preserved. Some folio sides are faded and most folios are somewhat damaged on the right side, sometimes at other parts, and it seems from the images that some opaque-looking tape has been applied to protect these damaged sections. In my critical edition the broken off, completely lost, akṣaras are represented by ---, the illegible akṣaras under the tape by \simeq ('illegible'). The quality of the readings of this manuscript is one of the best among the available witnesses, comparable only to K_{82} and P_{57} , making it one of the most important sources for the VSS.

(N)C₄₅ Cambridge University Library, Add. 1645. This MS has been fully collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a detailed description of this manuscript in the CUDL online catalogue. According to this catalogue, its dimensions are 4.4×61.7 cm. The manuscript is dated to (Nepāla) 'samvat 259 śrāvaṇa śukla dvādaśiyā di < trayodaśyām,' which converts to July 10/11 Monday/Tuesday, 1139 CE. The

¹²⁸ https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk/view/MS-ADD-01694-00001/382

https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk/view/MS-ADD-01645/404

¹³⁰ F. 247r line 6. The CUDL website transcribes this colophon as: saṃvat 259 śrāvaṇaśukladvādaśi[pyaḍi 8 trayodaśyāṃ (retrived 8 Dec 2021). The element dvādaśipyaḍi could be read as dvādaśiyā di, perhaps a mistake for dvādaśyāṃ di (di for a misplaced diva/divā?), and the symbol that does look like a figure '8' of a slightly later period than the manuscript itself (resembling the mathematical symbol <) might also be a kākapada. Alternatively, one could understand yā as a Newar genitive marker, dvādaśi-yā di mean-

script is Nepālākṣara. It is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 247 folios. Eight texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasaṃgraha, 4) Śivopaniṣad, 5) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 6) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 7) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 8) Dharmaputrikā.

The VSS occupies 37 folios plus one folio side: it starts on f. 201v line 4 (online image no. 404), and it ends on f. 238v line 3 (online image no. 478). The readings of this manuscript seem to follow those of K_{82} remarkably closely while transmitting the Sivadharmottara (as observed by De Simini and Harimoto). This is more difficult to see in the case of the VSS, but indeed, they seem closely related.

(N) C_{02} Cambridge University Library, Add. 2102. All available folios of this MS have been collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a detailed description of this manuscript in the CUDL online catalogue. According to this catalogue, the date of creation is the 12th century, and the dimensions of the manuscript are $4.8 \times ca. 52.5$ cm. The script is Nepālākṣara. It is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 96 folios. Six texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmottara, 2) Śivadharmasaṃgraha, 3) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 4) Śivopaniṣad, 5) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 6) Dharmaputrikā (only f. 322v). Note that the Śivadharmottara starts on f. 51r, thus the part that most probably contained the Śivadharmaśāstra is lost.

The VSS starts on f. 267r line 1 (online image no. 181). The online description labels this image as f. 237r. This first folio in fact has no visible foliation. The previous text, the *Śivopaniṣad*, ended on f. 236v, with pāda b of verse 7.122, ¹³³ which is not the end of the *Śivopaniṣad*: about eighteen

ing 'the day of the twelfth.' Another faint kākapada is perhaps to be seen under daśi, therefore it is possible that the scribe's intention was to delete dvādaśi and correct it to trayodaśyām, and then the date becomes 11th of July. Kengo Harimoto has suggested that the unclear element (yādi/pyaḍi) is in fact ghaṭi, and after comparing these two syllables to other instances of gha and ṭa, one cannot but agree. In this case this should be an indication of the exact time (Skt. ghaṭi/ghaṭikā, Newar ghaṭi) the scribe finished copying the text. It is still not clear if we should take dvādaśi or trayodaśyām as the date. For help on the conversion of the date and for a detailed discussion on the colophon I am indebted to Kengo Harimoto.

Personal communication, 1 Dec 2021.

https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk/view/MS-ADD-02102/181

¹³³ Image no. 180, Śivopaniṣad 7.122: yauvanasthā gṛhasthāś ca [prāsā]dasthāś ca ye

verses, probably transmitted in one single folio, are lost. This means that, if the foliation and the order of the folios are presented correctly, and if the portion containing the VSS indeed belongs to the same manuscript, folios 237-266, i.e. thirty folios, are missing. They must have transmitted the *Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda*, which takes up twenty-three folios in C_{94} , and twenty folios in C_{45} . Thus this MS did most probably transmit all eight texts of the Śivadharma corpus. ¹³⁴

This first folio of the VSS is in a hand which is different from the rest of the manuscript, but the hand changes back in the next folio. 135

In this multiple-text manuscript, the VSS is transmitted in an incomplete form, that is to say, a number of folios are missing (most notably chapters 15–17). The first partially visible folio number is in image 184: the numeral characters 200+60 are visible (268v, according to the CUDL online catalogue). In image 186, the folio number 269 is clearly visible (f. 269v). On folio 270v, the continuous text is interrupted at verse 2.21c (kāmarū°), ff. 271 and 272 are missing, and the text resumes on f. 273r with verse 3.30b ([ahiṃsā pa]ramaṃ sukham). Folio 291 is missing (verses 12.87cd–12.113). On folio 296v (image no. 234), the text breaks off again at vātaśūlair upadrutā | śukro (at verse 14.22b), 136 the next folio being 306r (starting with carmatāś ca dvijasundarīṣu, verse 18.27b; nine folios, including chapters 15 to 17, are missing entirely).

Again, there are two missing folios after *bandhus sarvva* ° in verse 18.47c on f. 306v. The text resumes on f. 309r (image 237) with °*neṣu ca sarvveṣu*

nrpāh.

Compare with the claim of the online catalogue: "The present manuscript probably contained seven texts."

supply for the beginning of the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha*.' A hardly readable note in pencil to the same effect is visible at the top of the first folio side (f. 267r, 'mode.....supply beg of Vṛṣasāra-saṃgr.'). I am not sure how 'modern' this supplement is, but it seems indeed likely that a lost first folio was supplemented with a later copy. To match the end of this new copy with the beginning of the next, older, folio, a scribe more or less erased the beginning of the first line in the old folio, rather than the last line of the younger folio. This slightly illogical decision may mean that the younger copy was not tailor-made for the old portion, but rather that it was taken from a younger manuscript which was perhaps considered more legible. Otherwise it would have been more practical to stop copying the first folio at the point where the next begins. See some more detail on this folio on p. 74 below.

¹³⁶ Of course, my verse numbering in chapters 13–24 may change slightly during the editing process.

vidvān sreṣṭha sa ucyate (verse 19.52cd). Another folio is missing between iṣṭāniṣṭadvaya° (verse 20.22, f. 309v) and snāyu majjā sirā tathā (verse 20.51d, f. 311r). The VSS ends on f. 322v (image no. 262) with the concluding colophon vṛṣasārasaṅgraha samāpta iti. This folio also contains the beginning of the Dharmaputrikā, but this multiple-text manuscript contains no more folios.

In the apparatus, the siglum C_{Σ} signifies all three Cambridge MSS described above.

Kathmandu palm-leaf manuscripts

(N)K₈₂ NGMPP A 1082/3, NAK 3/393. This MS has been fully collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a brief description of this MS in the NGMCP online catalogue. The According to this catalogue, the dimensions of the manuscript are 55.6 × 5.5 cm. It is dated to Nepāla Samvat 189 (1068–69 CE). The script is Nepālākṣara and it is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 274 folios. Eight texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasamgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasamvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Vṛṣasārasamgraha, 7) Dharmaputrikā, 8) Uttarottaramahāsamvāda.

As for each text in this collection, the foliation for the VSS restarts from f. 1v (f. 1r is a cover) and the text spans ff. 1v–46r. This is a beautifully written and well-preserved manuscript which gives accurate, or at least useful, readings and has proved to be essential for the reconstruction of the VSS.¹³⁹

(N) K_{10} NGMPP A 10/5, NAK 1/1261. This MS has been fully collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a brief description of this MS in the NGMCP online catalogue. According to this catalogue, the dimensions of the manuscript are 55 x 5.5 cm. It is an un-

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¹³⁸ See f. 12r line 2 of the *Dharmaputrikā* in this MS: *navottarāsītiyute sate bde āsāḍhaśuklasya tithau tṛtīye*, translated by De Simini 2016b, 252 n. 49 as: 'in [the year] 189, in the 3rd lunar day of the bright [fortnight] of [the month] Āṣāḍha.' She adds that the date is verified in Petech 1984, 46 as May 24, 1069 CE.

¹³⁹ See a similar evaluation in Bisschop 2018, 56.

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dated palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 74 folios. Four texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmottara, 2) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 3) Śivopaniṣad, 4) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha.

Some folios feature drawings. A great number of the leaves that transmit the VSS are damaged and, at least judging from the microfilm images, faded and slightly disordered. The folio numbers are rarely visible. The VSS starts on exp. 44 (upper leaf, no folio number is visible here). The text continues on the lower leaf and then on the upper leaf on exp. 43 (going backwards, so to say) up to 1.60 (vimśakotisu gulmesu ūrdhva°). Verses 1.60d-2.22 seem to be missing. The lower leaf on exp. 43 contains verses 2.23–2.39. The single leaf in exp. 42 contains verses 2.40–3.16a. Exp. 41 contains a single leaf of the *Umāmaheśvarasamvāda*, ending in a colophon for its chapter twenty-two, and still going backwards, the preceding folios continue transmitting the Umāmaheśvarasamvāda. Exploring the presence of the VSS in this manuscript further, one should look at the expositions after no. 44. Exp. 45 contains the end of the Sivopanisad. The single leaf on exp. 46 is almost illegible but most probably contains a fragment of the Gautamadharmasūtra. The second line just above the string hole on the left reads... vīrud vanaspatīnām ca puṣpāṇi svavad ādadīte..., which is a fragment of Gautamadharmasūtra 2.3.25 (12.28). The remaining parts of the VSS are to be found on exp. 47ff. The upper leaf on exp. 47 continues with VSS 3.16b-36ab, while the lower leaf contains a text that I have not been able to identify. The lower leaf in exp. 48 transmits 3.36cd-4.11ab, the upper one 4.11b-30a. The lower leaf in exp. 49 contains 4.30ab-47ab, the upper one 47d-68a, and so on so forth. Thus when reading the text from these images, after exp. 48, one has to start with the lower leaf and continue with the upper one.

(N) K_7 NGMPP B 7/3 = A 1082/2, NAK 1/1075. This MS has been fully collated for chapters 1–12 of the critical edition in this volume. See a brief description of this MS in the NGMCP online catalogue. According to this catalogue, the dimensions of the manuscript are 58 × 6 cm. The script is Nepālākṣara. Dated to Nepāla Samvat 290 (1169–70 cE). It is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 289 folios. Eight texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmo-

¹⁴¹ https://catalogue.ngmcp.uni-hamburg.de/receive/aaingmcp_ngmcpdocument_00062373

ttara, 3) Śivadharmasaṃgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 7) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 8) Dharmaputrikā. Ff. 209v–264v contain the VSS.

This is a nicely written manuscript, giving generally useful and convincing readings.

(N)K₃ NGMPP A 3/3 (= A 1081/5), NAK 5-737. I have collated this MS only for verses 1.1–15ab to test it. See a brief description of this MS in the NGMCP online catalogue. According to this catalogue, the dimensions of the manuscript are 58.5 x 5.5 cm. The script is Nepālākṣara and the MS is dated to Nepāla Samvat 321 (1200–01 CE). It is a palm-leaf multiple-text manuscript containing 215 folios. Eight texts are transmitted in this manuscript: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasaṃgraha (only a few folios are extant, e.g. ff. 124 and 143), 4) Umāmahesvarasaṃvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 7) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 8) Dharmaputrikā.

The VSS begins on f. 227 (image no. 177) and appears to conclude after starting chapter 23 on f. 264 (image no. 218). However, the last image (no. 253) still contains a fragment of VSS chapter 13. The microfilm images are somewhat blurred, making it difficult to confidently decipher the text, and the readings do not seem promising.

Other palm-leaf MSS preserved in Kathmandu, but not used for this critical edition include the following:

NGMPP A 11/3, NAK 5-738¹⁴³—the microfilm images of the folios containing the VSS are often blurred to an extent that makes them difficult to use.

NGMPP C 25/1, Kesar Library 218—this multiple-text manuscript preserves only a few misarranged folios of the VSS.

Paris manuscript

 $(N)P_{57}$ This is a multiple-text palm-leaf manuscript written in Nepālā-kṣara script and preserved in the Collection Sylvain Lévi at the Institut

http://catalogue-old.ngmcp.uni-hamburg.de/mediawiki/index.php/A_3-

³ Sivadharma

http://catalogue.ngmcp.uni-hamburg.de/wiki/A_11-3_Śivadharmottara

d'études indiennes, Collège de France as MS Skt 57-B 23. I have collated the readings of this MS for VSS chapters one (available only up 1.58a), chapter two (available only from 2.19c), three (available only up to 3.14), and eight. It contains 249 palm leaves. Folios 214 and 216 are missing from the part of the manuscript that transmits the VSS, thus we do not have verses 1.58d-2.21ab, as well as 3.14-4.7. In addition, verses 12.152-16.19 and 17.51-18.20ab are missing. Foliation appears on the verso side: in the left-hand margin in Newar alphabetical numerals and in the right-hand margin in arabic numerals by a second hand. The portion that contains the VSS is relatively well-preserved and the text is written in a clear hand. Although it is an undated manuscript, it could be dated to the 11th century CE on palæographical grounds. It contains the following text in the order they are presented in the manuscript: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasamgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasamvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Uttarottaramahāsamvāda, 7) Vṛṣasārasamgraha, 8) Dharmaputrikā. The VSS appears on ff. 212-252. This source gives reliable readings and contains relatively few scribal mistakes. 144

Munich manuscript

M This MS is preserved at the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich, Germany. It has no access number. I have collated the readings of this MS only for VSS chapters one and five as a test. I received the digital images of this MS from Kengo Harimoto shortly after he had taken pictures of it in Munich on Nov 16, 2021. This MS contains the following texts: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 4) Śivopaniṣad, 5) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 6) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 7) Dharmaputrikā. The section that must have contained the Śivadharmasaṃgraha, ff. 82–121, is lost. The portion that contains the VSS and the Dharmaputrikā is dated (f. 50r line 5): || iti vṛṣasārasaṅgrahe caturviṃśatimo dhyāyaḥ samāptaḥ | samvat 192 māghakṛṣṇadivāpañcamyām || postakalikhitam iti ||. The year 192 in Nepāla Samvat converts to 1071–1072 CE.

¹⁴⁴ This description had as its starting point a shorter description written and kindly shared with me by Nirajan Kafle.

¹⁴⁵ Harimoto 2022, 596. See more detail in that paper.

is potentially an important witness for other texts of the Sivadharma corpus. An interesting feature of this MS is that it gives the number of verses contained in each chapter in the colophons. Ten folios that transmitted the VSS are missing: f. 5 (VSS 3.4-3.33), ff. 11–13 (VSS 6.20–8.45), ff. 24 (VSS 13.9–13.36), and ff. 39–43 (VSS 20.38–22.35).

The foliation for the VSS restarts and the hand in which the VSS and the $Dharmaputrik\bar{a}$ are written are different from, and most probably later than that of the texts that come before them in this bundle.

The MS often transmits unique and interesting readings but rarely convincing ones, and in general does not seem to be superior to any of the MSS described above. But at some points I did follow its reading against the other witnesses, e.g., at 5.1b.

Kolkata manuscripts

(N)Ko₇₇ MS G4077 in the collection of the Asiatic Society, Kolkata.¹⁴⁶ This is a palm-leaf MS, transmitting the VSS in 52 folios. The MS is dated to July 6, 1036 CE (Nepāla Samvat 156; see De Simini 2017, 542), which makes it 'the oldest known dated attestation of the corpus' (De Simini 2016b, 250–251). In spite of this, after collating this MS for 1.1–16, and examining its transmission of verses 8.1–8, I abandoned it because its readings did not provide valuable insights.¹⁴⁷

(N) Ko_{76} MS G 4076 in the collection of The Asiatic Society, Kolkata. ¹⁴⁸

 $^{^{146}}$ I am grateful to Daniella Cappello and Marco Francheschini for managing to obtain digital copies of most of the folios of this MS.

¹⁴⁷ See, e.g., 8.1–8, as transmitted in this MS: pañcasvādhyāyanam ihāmutra sukhārthinā | saivasankhyā purāṇañ ca smārtabhāratasamhitā ||8.1|| saivatatvaṃ vicintata saivāpāsupatadvaye | atra vistarata prokta tatvasārasamucaye ||8.2|| saṃkhyātatvaṃ tu saṃkhyeṣu bodhavya tatvacintakaiḥ | pañcatattvavibhāgena kīrtitāni maharṣibhiḥ ||8.3|| purāṇeṣu mahīkoṣa vistareṇa prakīrtita | āyoyaś ca tiryañ ca yatnataḥ samaveśayet ||8.4|| smārta varṇṇasamācāra dharmāṇyāyapravarttakaṃ | śiṣṭācāro vikalpena grāhya tatva asahitaḥ ||8.5|| itihāsam adhīyāṇaḥ sarvajñaḥ sa naro bhavet | dharmārthakāmamokṣeṣu saṃśayas tena chidyate || 8.6|| paṃcoprasthavinigraha sṛṇuyāvaṃhito dvija | striyo vā garhitaḥ svargaḥ svayaṃmuktiś ca kīrtyate | svapnopaghātaṃ viprendra divāsvapnaṃ ca pañcamaḥ ||8.7|| agamyastrī divārsyase dharmapatnī ca vā bhavet | viruddhastrī na bhaveta varṇṇavarṇṇabhraṣṭādhikāma ca ||8.8||

¹⁴⁸ I am grateful to Sushmita Das for attempting to get a copy of this MS in March 2020, and to Daniella Cappello and Marco Francheschini, who managed to do so.

Shastri 1928 (716–718) gives a detailed description of this manuscript along with the text of VSS 1.1–16. According to Shastri, the dimensions of the MS are $22\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ inches (57.15 × 5.08 cm), the text is complete, and the script is of the twelfth century CE.

This manuscript may appear as a rare instance of the VSS being transmitted independently, and not in a multiple-text manuscript, but it seems very likely that it was originally part of MS G 3852, a Śivadharma corpus MS in the same collection lacking the VSS; see note 122 on page 60.

I have collated 1.1–16 as a test, and the readings of this MS seem to be excellent. CHECK

Tübingen manuscript

(N) T_{82} MS Ma I 582 in the Universitätsbibliothek of Tübingen, a beautiful and nicely written MS with an exquisite painted cover, seems to contain only one stray folio (f. 272) from the first twelve chapters of the VSS, covering VSS 3.5–3.29a. This folio has been collated. There are sixteen additional folios in this MS that transmit passages from the second half of the text.

Oxford manuscript

(N)O₁₅ This palm-leaf manuscript is deposited in the Bodleian Library, in Oxford, under shelf mark Sansk. a. 15. It is dated to Nepāla Samvat 307 (1186–87 CE), and it contains 335 folios, transmitting the following texts: 1) Śivadharmaśāstra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasamgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasamvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Uttarottaramahāsamvāda, 7) Vṛṣasārasamgraha, 8) Dharmaputrikā.

A cursory examination of the text reveals rather disappointing readings, therefore I have not included in the apparatus any of the collation done.

London manuscript

(N) L_{16} This is a paper manuscript in the Library of the Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine under shelf number WI δ 16 (I–VIII). It contains 406 folios and the following texts: 1) Śivadharmaśās-

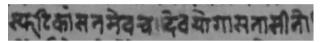
tra, 2) Śivadharmottara, 3) Śivadharmasaṃgraha, 4) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda, 5) Śivopaniṣad, 6) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda, 7) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha, 8) Dharmaputrikā. This MS is described in Wujastyk 1985.

While collating MS L_{16} for VSS chapter 22, I realised that it was most likely a direct or close copy of K_{82} . A few examples to prove this will suffice.

K₈₂ (f. 40r) reads:



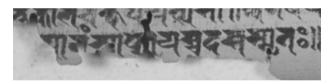
[spha]țikām = ram [= °kāmbaram] eva ca | daśayogāsanās \bar{i} no L_{16} (f. 381v) gives:



sphațikāmsatam eva ca || devayogāsanāsīto

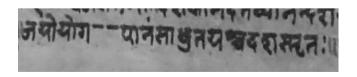
supplying sa for the lost syllable and misreading the damaged da as de and the śa as va.

Here K₈₂ (f. 39v) reads:



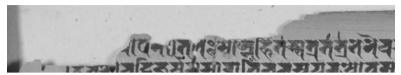
[japo yogas tapo] dhyānam svādhyāyas ca dasa smṛtaḥ with dhyā and svā damaged;

 L_{16} (f. 381r) cannot read the bit that is completely lost, and it misreads the damaged *dhyānam* as *dhānam*, *svādhyā* as *sādhu*:



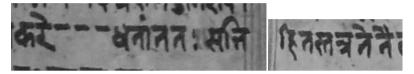
In the next example, the text is supposed to read *kare grhya tapodhanam* | *tataḥ so 'ntarhitas tatra tenaiva*.

K₈₂ (f. 39r) gives:



[kare] --- dha\na tatah so 'ntar\hitas tatra tenaiva

 L_{16} (f. 380r) gives:



kare --- dhatām tataḥ || sati hitas tatra tenaiva

trying to make sense of the fragments. The examples above suggest that L_{16} was copied directly from K_{82} when the damage had already been done to K_{82} . For this reason, I have not collated its readings for VSS chapters 1–12.

Kathmandu paper manuscripts

(N) K_{41} NGMCP A 1341/6, NAK 4–93. Paper, 82 folios, probably from the 17th century (see the description of K_{107} below). This MS contains two texts: the Śivadharmasaṃgraha (ff. 91r–135v) and the Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha (ff. 204r–243v). This MS was collated only for chapters one and eight in this volume, but consulted often at problematic passages. As already seen from the folio numbers, this multiple-text manuscript must have contained more than two texts originally, most probably of the Śivadharma corpus. The script of this MS seems extremely similar to that of K_{107} , a MS dated to 1688 CE (see below). Thus it seems probable that this MS is also from the 17th century.

 K_{41} is a good example to see how relatively late witnesses, paper MSS, can be important. Its readings are relatively independent of most palm-leaf MSS, and seem to shed some light on what source(s) Naraharinath may have used because there are a great number of instances where E and K_{41} (and K_{107} , see below) read together against most other witnesses. E.g., C_{94} ,

C₄₅, C₀₂, K₈₂, K₁₀, K₇, K₃, and M read bhāratasamhitām, or a slightly corrupt form of the same, in 1.2cd, while the two paper MSS K_{41} , and K_{107} , and Naraharinath's E read (a clearly wrong) nāradasamhitām. Similarly, in 1.17cd most witnesses read vettum arhasi, while K41, K107, and E (and M!) read vaktum arhasi. In 1.44b, K₄₁ and E read mrddhe¹⁴⁹ instead of *śrnu* and *śrnge* in all other witnesses. In some instances, the paper MSS K_{41} and K₁₀₇ give readings that might be old or 'original.' E.g., 20.40d is missing in a great number of MSS (C_{94} , C_{45} , K_{82} , K_{10}), K_7 gives (improvises?) a less than perfect tān nibodha dvijottamab, 150 while K41, K107, and E give a similarly imperfect vijñeyā ca manīṣibhiḥ. 151 Sometimes these two paper MSS either alter the text, or again, preserve older readings. E.g., in 16.34 K₄₁, K₁₀₇, and E give bhagavān uvāca against all other witnesses' maheśvara uvāca. After 12.30d (vipulab punar abravīt), K_{41} , K_{107} , and again E, insert a somewhat unnecessary vipula uvāca. These and many other examples could prove that Naraharinath used manuscripts that were close to $K_{\rm 41}$ and $K_{\rm 107}$, and some of the oddities in his edition originate in fact in actual readings rather than misreadings or 20th-century alterations. 152

Another fascinating phenomenon in K_{41} is traces of editorial activity. There is a rather peculiar $k\bar{a}kapada$, or editorial sign to mark omission, that could help us catch a perhaps 17-19th century editor red-handed while he is inspecting, correcting, and sometimes altering the text, and also while he is consulting older palm-leaf MSS. The sign can be spotted, e.g., in K_{41} on top of a ku, indicating that the syllable ru, given in the top margin, should be inserted there; doubled in the same MS to indicate a larger omission; in MS NGMPP C 57/5, another paper Śivadharma corpus multipletext MS, to indicate a alternative reading; and in the much older palm-leaf MS, K_{82} , to indicate a missing passage, which is in fact to be found in at least two paper MSS (K_{41} and K_{107}) and in Naraharinath's edition (see Figure 5).

Consulting Einicke 2009, a rich catalogue of editorial marks, one gets

 $^{^{149}}$ K₁₀₇ reads a similar *grdbhe*.

¹⁵⁰ One would expect the vocative dvijottama.

¹⁵¹ The correct sandhi would be *vijñeyāś ca*.

¹⁵² Compare this with Bisschop et al. 2021, 58–59, especially the following piece of information: 'According to the information kindly provided by Diwakar Acharya (personal communication), it may have been based on a Devanāgarī manuscript from the time of Raṇa Bahādur Shah (1775–1806).'



Figure 5: Kākapadas

the impression that this type of *kākapada*, which has a dot in it, is not frequently seen. Two instances of such a *kākapada* occur in two NGMPP *Viṣṇudharmaśāstra* MSS from 1661 and 1713 CE, ¹⁵³ one in the above mentioned Śivadharma MS NGMPP C 57/5 from 1826 CE, ¹⁵⁴ and in a *Kālacakratantra* MS written in old Bengali script from 1446 CE, which has (most probably much later) corrections in Nepālākṣara script. ¹⁵⁵

It is difficult to escape the impression that we are dealing with the same editor, whose distinguishing mark is a $k\bar{a}kapada$ with a dot. If indeed MS C 57/5 (1826 CE) also bears his hallmark, then he must have been a pundit from the 19th or 20th century. He seems to have performed some rather detailed and focused editorial activities, and must have had access to some of the old palm-leaf MSS. One telling example for this is his marking the omission in K_{82} of two anustubh verses on heavens after VSS 24.72 (see image on the right in Figure 5). As hinted at above, these verses, potentially later insertions, occur in the paper MSS K_{41} and K_{107} , and in Naraharinath. To spot this, our anonymous editor had to carefully compare the old palm-leaf MS with the 17th-century paper MS.

These observations also shed some light on the origin of the first folio of C_{02} , which is in a hand that looks later than that in the rest of that MS. MSs told palm-leaf MSS start with *karmahetuḥ śarīrasya* etc. at VSS 1.14ab , while the two paper MSS K_{41} and K_{107} , and Naraharinath read *anarthayajña uvāca* || *karmahetuḥ śarīrasya*. The only palm-leaf MS

¹⁵³ MSS G 18/2 and B 218/2, Einicke 2009, 161–162 and 236.

¹⁵⁴ Einicke 2009, 164 and 328.

¹⁵⁵ Einicke 2009, 65–66 and 328. On p. 66, Einicke remarks: 'Besonderheiten: Korrekturen einzelner Zeichen in späterer Newārī-Schrift am Rand'.

¹⁵⁶ More on this in volume two.

¹⁵⁷ See p. 64.



Figure 6: Insertion of vipula uvāca in C_{02}

that reads with the paper MSS is C_{02} , on its only folio that is written in a later hand. This at least tells us that the supplied first folio in C_{02} comes from a source that is closer to the paper MSS than to the old palm-leaf MSS, and it could also be another piece of evidence for editorial activity by someone who carefully examined these sources, and in addition, introduced fresh contamination. For this kind of easy-to-spot contamination, a good example is the insertion of the somewhat unnecessary *vipula uvāca* in palm-leaf MS C_{02} after 12.30, inspired by paper MS K_{41} , and/or K_{107} (see Figure 6). Note the tiny $k\bar{a}kapada$ with the dot on the palm-leaf on the left and the insertion in a different hand in the margin below. It seems probable that our anonymous editor went through some paper MSS and noted differences in the palm-leaf MS C_{02} (and in K_{82} , see Figure 5).

(N) K_{107} NGMCP C107/7, NAK 9/537. Paper. Size: 37.1 × 10.8 cm. 174 folios. This MS is dated to NS 809 (1688–89 CE), ¹⁵⁸ Folios 1–88 are missing. These must have contained the Śivadharmaśāstra and the Śivadharmottara. ¹⁵⁹ The MS thus contains only six texts: 1) Śivadharmasaṃgraha ff. 89r–133v, 2) Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda ff. 134r–163v, 3) Śivopaniṣad ff. 164r–181r, 4) Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda ff. 182r–206v, 5) Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha ff. 207r–251v, 6) Dharmaputrikā ff. 252r–262v.

The script of this 17th-century MS seems extremely similar to that of K_{41} , therefore the latter can also be dated to the 17th century. I collated only VSS verses 1-15 as a test, the result of which failed to convince me to use this MS further.

¹⁵⁸ (f. 262v). De Simini reads NS 803 (2016b, 253 n. 51). I prefer reading NS 809.

¹⁵⁹ Cf. De Simini 2016b, 252 n. 48. See also an unfinished table of contents on f. 262r, which confirms that at least the Śivadharmaśāstra was part of this bundle: || asyānukramaḥ || prathama śivadharmo nāma.

Naraharinath's edition

(N)E Much has been said of Yogi Naraharinath's pioneering but problematic edition (the editio princeps) of the Śivadharma corpus (Naraharinath 1998).¹⁶⁰ My impression of the text of the VSS in Naraharinath's edition (pp. 580-678) is that its quality is considerably inferior to those of the other texts of the corpus. It may or may not be Naraharinath's fault; others must have been involved in the process of transcription, and the number and nature of the innumerable mistakes all over the text may also suggest a general problem with the typesetting process. In addition to this, it is now gradually becoming clearer and clearer that Naraharinath must have used late paper MSS, and some of the oddities in his text and some of the alterations that are difficult to explain come in fact therefrom. See the description of K_{41} and K_{107} above. In spite of all the noise in Naraharinath's edition, it was useful to have his text as a starting point, and it is sometimes useful to consider his readings. Therefore I have recorded the readings found in his publication for all twelve chapters given in my critical edition.

¹⁶⁰ See, e.g., De Simini 2016a, 66, n. 190; 2017, 542, Bisschop 2018, 58–59, and Bisschop et al. 2021, 55.

Editorial conventions

The critically edited Sanskrit text is to be found at the top of each page:

- Verse numbering has been supplied by the editor; none of the witnesses had any verse numbering.
- avagrahas are mostly supplied but sometimes found in the MSS.
- Singe and double dandas have been supplied by the editor. There are usually four pādas to a verse, but I have made arbitrary decisions based on sense-units, and occasionally grouped six pādas together as one stanza; none of the sources clearly indicate where a stanza ends.
- Headings given in [square brackets] in the critical edition and the translation have been supplied to clarify the context. These are not supposed to be part of the original Sanskrit text.

The *apparatus* is fully positive and contains a maximum of three registers. When all three registers are present, they contain information as follows:

 The bottom register reports the variants found in the manuscripts. Each entry starts with a verse number which is usually followed by a pāda sign. Both are given in boldface (e.g., 25b). The next element is the lemma, a word, phrase, or fragment from the main text, followed by a lemma sign (]). The lemma sign is followed by a list of the sigla of the MSS that read the same as the lemma, up to a comma. Next, the rejected variants are listed, each followed by the sigla of the MSS that read the given variant. A sigma sign (Σ) stands for all available witnesses used for the given chapter, except for one or two variants in a maximum of two witnesses. C_{Σ} signifies all available Cambridge MSS. A siglum followed by superscript ac marks the reading of a MS before a scribal alteration/correction (ante correctionem). A siglum followed by superscript pc marks the reading of a MS after a scribal alteration/correction (post correctionem). Corrections by the editor are marked by 'corr.' after the lemma sign (] corr.), emendations by 'em.', and conjectures by 'conj.' Whenever these alterations to the text were suggested by others, I give their last names

after corr., em., or conj. (e.g., conj. Devadatta). The difference between corrections, emendations and conjectures is somewhat subjective in nature. Corrections are applied in cases where the editor considers the reasons for his alteration of the text self-evident and in little need of explanation. In the case of an emendation, one or more parallel passages in support of the alteration, or a description of the palæographical phenomena that resulted in the corruption, is usually given in the footnotes to the translation of the given passage. Effort has also been made to support conjectures with evidence, but conjectures are considered more tentative than emendations. ¹⁶¹

A bullet (•) in the apparatus separates different entries that correspond to the same $p\bar{a}da$. • indicates that the lemma or variant is part of a longer compound or word. The sign $\stackrel{\checkmark}{=}$ (anceps) indicates an *akṣara* illegible to me. --- indicates a complete loss of a number of *akṣaras*, usually due to damage. The number that is often placed on --- (e.g., $\stackrel{3}{=}$) indicates the approximate number of lost *akṣaras*. Letters enclosed by (parentheses) indicate that their reading is uncertain. Unmetrical $p\bar{a}das$ are marked by '(unmetr.)' only when it is not fully obvious, i.e., they are usually not marked when there is one or more syllables more or less than required in an *anuṣṭubh* in a variant. Sometimes '(hypometr.)' or '(hypermetr.)' are also used for hypometrical and hypermetrical verses, respectively.

The middle register contains testimonia, i.e., passages from other sources or from elsewhere in the VSS that are parallel or similar to the corresponding verse in the VSS and that can explain, support, or contextualise the passage or stanza in question. An entry starts with the verse number and pāda sign of the VSS stanza in question. I then give the title of the source from which the passage has been drawn and the exact verse number preceded by '=' if the parallel passage is identical with the reading of the VSS. '≈' is supplied instead of '=' if the parallel passage is similar but not identical with the reading of the VSS. Testimonia are preceded by 'cf.' if the passage is somewhat similar to the textus criticus of the VSS, or can throw some light on

¹⁶¹ See a more detailed discussion on emendations and conjectures in Törzsök 1999:lxxv–lxxviii.

it because it treats a similar subject.

 The top register reports lacunæ, and missing passages, in the MSS, and also, at the beginning of chapters, provides list of witnesses used for the given chapter.

The transcription of the MSS, both in the critically edited version and in reporting variants, involves some inevitable falsification:

- I have not attempted to always report differences in readings between akṣaras that are usually interchangeable in the Nepālākṣara MSS (ब-व, व-च, त-न, य-प, ष-स, but I always report them when both readings are theoretically possible (e.g. चन्दन-वन्दन, जय-जप).
- I have ignored all instances of gemination of consonants in ligature with semivowels in the main text and when reporting lemmata (e.g. कर्म rather than कर्म्म), but I always report rejected variants as they appear in the source whenever possible. If the same rejected reading appears with different orthography in different sources, I usually report it as it appeared in the source collated first; thus rejected variants are also often slightly falsified.
- I have altered *anusvāras* and homorganic nasals, including *m*, in the main text, as required by standard orthography.
- Avagrahas are largely missing in the MSS. I have always silently supplied them in the textus criticus and in the lemmata, but I have not supplied them when reporting variants.



A Critical Edition of Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha 1–12



[प्रथमो ऽध्यायः]

[स्तुतिः]

अनादिमध्यान्तमनन्तपारं सुसूक्ष्ममव्यक्तजगत्सुसारम् । हरीन्द्रब्रह्मादिभिरासमग्रं प्रणम्य वक्ष्ये वृषसारसंग्रहम् ॥ १:१॥

1a cf. ŚDhU 10.6: आदिमध्यान्तिर्मिक्तः स्वभावविमलः प्रभुः । सर्वज्ञः परिपूर्णश्च शिवो ज्ञेयः शिवागमे ॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 193v–195v, C_{45} ff. 201v–203v, C_{02} ff. 267r–270r, K_{82} ff. 1v–3v, K_{10} exp. 44, 43 lower and then upper leaf (1.62cd–2.22 are missing), K_7 ff. 209v–211v, K_3 ff. 227v–229v (collated only up to 1.15ab), P_{57} ff. 212v–213v (after which there is a lacuna), M ff. 1r–3v, K_{77}° ff. 1v–4r (collated only up to 1.16), K_{76}° ff. 210v–212v (collated only up to 1.16), K_{41} ff. 204r–206r, K_{107} ff. 206r–209r (collated only up to 1.15), E pp. 580–585; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

1a ०न्तमनन्त०] Σ , ०न्तमन्त० C_{45}^{ac} • ०पारं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ०पारंगं $K_{82}K_{10}K_{3}K_{77}^{\circ}$ 1b सुस्क्षम०] Σ , शुसुक्षम० C_{02} • ०व्यक्त०] Σ , ०व्य० K_{77}° • ०जगत्सुसारम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ०जगशुसारं C_{02} , ०जगत्सुरासुरं K_{10} , ०जगतसुसारम् K_{3} 1c हरी०] Σ , हरीं K_{77}° • ०भिरासमग्रं] Σ , ०भिर्यत्समग्रं M (unmetr.), ०भिरोसमग्रं K_{107} 1d वृष०] Σ , ०वृषो C_{04}^{ac}

[जनमेजयवैशम्पायनसंवादः]

शतसाहस्रिकं ग्रन्थं सहस्राध्यायमुत्तमम् । पर्व चास्य शतं पूर्णं श्रुत्वा भारतसंहिताम् ॥ १:२॥

अतृप्तः पुन पप्रच्छ वैशम्पायनमेव हि । जनमेजयेन यत्पूर्वं तच्छृणु त्वमतन्द्रितम् ॥ १:३॥

जनमेजय उवाच । भगवन्सर्वधर्मज्ञ सर्वशास्त्रविशारद ।

2c cf. MBh 1.2.70ab: एतत्पर्वशतं पूर्णं व्यासेनोक्तं महात्मना 4ab = MBh 13.112.9ab

⁽²a) ०स्त्रिकं] Σ , ०स्त्रकं K_{41} • ग्रन्थं] Σ , ग्रंथ K_{77}° (2b) सहस्राध्यायमु । Σ , सहश्रध्यायमु॰ C_{02} , सहस्राध्यायरु॰ E (2c) पर्व चास्य] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}M^{pc}K_{767}^{\circ}$ पर्वश्चास्य C_{45} , पर्वमस्य $C_{02}K_3M^{ac}K_{41}K_{107}E$, पूर्व चास्य K_{77}° • शतं पूर्णं] Σ , त C_{02} , शतं पूर्ण्ण K_{77}° (2d) श्रुत्वा] Σ , श्रद्धा C_{45} • भारतसंहिताम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}M$ K_{77}° , भारसंहिता C_{02} , भारतसंहितं $K_{3}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}$, नारदसंहिताम् $K_{41}K_{107}E$ 3a अतृप्तः पुन पप्रच्छ] em., अ(तृप्तः पु) \cong प्रच्छ C_{94} , अतृप्तः पुनः पप्रच्छ $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}$ (unmetr.), अतृप्तः पुनरप्रच्छे C_{02} , अतृप्तः पुन पःप्रच्छ K_3 , अतृप्तः पुनः पपृच्छ M, पप्रच्छ पुनरतृप्तो K_{77}° , अतृप्ताः पुनः पप्रेच्छ K_{41} , अतृप्त पुनः पप्रच्छ K_{107} , अतृप्ता पुनः पप्रच्छ E(3b) वैशम्पायन॰ | Σ , वेसम्पायन॰ C_{02} (3c) जनमेजयेन यत्पूर्वं | $C_{04}^{pc}C_{45}K_7K_3$ $P^{pc}_{57}K^{\circ}_{76}K_{41}K_{107}E$, जनमेजये यत्पूर्वं C^{ac}_{94} , जन्मेजयेन यम्पूर्वं C_{02} , जनमेजयेन यत्पूर्वं K_{82} , जनमेजयेन यत्पू(a) K_{10} , जनमेजनयेन यत्पूa P_{57} , जन्मेजयेण यत्पूa M, जन्मेजयेन यA \mathbf{K}_{77}° $\mathbf{3d}$ तच्छ्णु त्वम \circ] $\mathbf{C}_{94}\mathbf{C}_{45}\mathbf{K}_{82}\mathbf{K}_{7}\mathbf{P}_{57}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{K}_{76}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{41}\mathbf{K}_{107}\mathbf{E}$, तच्छ्ण त्वम \circ \mathbf{C}_{02} , _5_ K_{10} , तच्छृणु स्वम॰ K_3 , त शृणु त्वम॰ K_{77}° • ॰तन्द्रितम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7K_3MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}$ $K_{41}K_{107}E$, ०तन्द्रितः $C_{02}K_{82}$, -3, K_{10} , ०तन्द्रि(तं) P_{57} (4) जनमेजय उवाच] Σ , जन्मेजय उवाच C_{02} , $\stackrel{4}{\cancel{-}}$ य उवाय P_{57} (4a) भगवन्स॰ C_{94} C_{45} C_{82} C_{10} C_{77} $\mathbf{K}_{76}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{41}\mathbf{K}_{107}\mathbf{E}$, भचावं स॰ \mathbf{C}_{02} , भगवं स॰ \mathbf{K}_{3} , भगवं स॰ \mathbf{M}_{\bullet} ॰ धर्मज्ञ] Σ , ॰ज्ञ \mathbf{K}_{82} , ॰धर्मज्ञः K_3 4b ॰िवशारद] $C_{94}K_{10}K_7K_3P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}$, ॰िवसारदः $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{77}^{\circ}$ $K_{107}E$, ०विशारदम् M

अस्ति धर्मं परं गृह्यं संसाराणिवतारणम् ॥ १:४ ॥ हैपायनमुखोद्गीर्णं धर्मं वा यद्विजोत्तम । कथयस्व हि मे तृप्तिं कुरु यत्नात्तपोधन ॥ १:५ ॥ वैशम्पायन उवाच । श्रणु राजन्नवहितो धर्माख्यानमनुत्तमम् । व्यासानुग्रहसम्प्राप्तं गृह्यधर्मं श्रणोतु मे ॥ १:६ ॥ अनर्थयज्ञकर्तारं तपोव्रतपरायणम् । श्रीलशौचसमाचारं सर्वभृतदयापरम् ॥ १:७ ॥

⁽⁴c) अस्ति धर्मं | C₉₄K₈₂K₁₀K₇P₅₇K₇₆K₄₁K₁₀₇E, अस्ति धर्मः C₄₅, अस्ति धर्म C₀₂ MK_{77}° , अधर्म K_3 • परं गृह्यं] $C_{94}K_{10}K_3P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, परो गृह्य C_{45} , परं गुह्य $C_{02}K_{82}$, परगुह्यं K_7 (4d) ०तारणम्] Σ , ०तारणा K_{77}° (5a) द्वैपायन०] Σ , द्वेपायन॰ C_{02} , वैसांपायन॰ K_{77}° • ॰मुखोद्गीर्णं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}$ ॰मुखोद्गीर्ण $C_{02}K_{77}^{\circ}$, ॰मुद्गीर्ण्ण K_{3} , मुखं गीर्ण्ण M^{ac} , मु(खां) गीर्ण्ण M^{pc} , मुखाद्गीर्णं E5b धर्मं वा यद्दि॰] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, धर्मं यत्तद्दि॰ C_{45} , धर्मवत्य द्वि॰ $C_{02}K_{77}^{\circ}$, धर्म वा यद्वि॰ K_3 , धर्मवाक्यं द्वि॰ M • ॰त्तम] Σ , ॰त्तमः C_{02} , ॰तमः M (5c) हि मे तृप्तिं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, हि मे तृप्ति $K_{3}K_{77}^{\circ}$, प्रसादेन M (5d) यत्नात्तपोधन] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, यन्नात्त \cong न C_{94} , यत्ना तपोधनः C_{02} , यत्ना तपोधन K_3 , यत्नन्तपोधन M, यंनात्त॰ K_{77}° (6) वैशम्पायन उवाच] Σ , om. \mathbf{M}^{ac} , वै \mathbb{I} वैशम्पायन \mathbf{K}_{107} (6a) राजन्न०] Σ , राजंन० \mathbf{K}_3 , राजन० \mathbf{M} • ०हितो] Σ , ॰हितं K_{41} $m{6b}$ ॰ख्यानमनुत्तमम्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}E$, ॰ख्यानमुत्तमम् C_{45} , ० ज्वानमुतमम् C_{02} , ० धर्मव्याख्यानमुत्तमं K_3 (hypermetr.), ० ख--- मनुत्तमं K_{77}° , ० ख्यानमनुत्तमः K_{41} , ० ख्यानमुत्तमः K_{107} (6c) ० प्राप्तं] Σ , ० प्राप्त C_{02} (6d) ० धर्मं] Σ , ॰म C_{02} , ॰धर्म K_{77}° • शृणोतु] Σ , शृणोत C_{02} , शृणोत्त P_{57} • मे] Σ , मै C_{45} 7a०कर्तारं] Σ , ०कर्त्तन्तं K_{10} , $\frac{3}{2}$, P_{57} (7b) ०व्रत०] Σ , ०प्रत० M • ०यणम्] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{10}P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ०यन C_{02} , ०यणः K_{82} , ०यनं K_{7} , ०(यणं) K_{3} 7c॰चारं] Σ , ॰चार K_{77}° 7d ॰परम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ॰िन्वतम् $C_{02}K_3K_{77}^{\circ}$, $\circ(\Psi)$ $\stackrel{!}{\checkmark}K_{10}$

जिज्ञासनार्थं प्रश्नेकं विष्णुना प्रभविष्णुना । द्विजरूपधरो भूत्वा पप्रच्छ विनयान्वितः ॥ १:८॥ [ब्रह्मविद्या]

[विगतराग उवाच ।] ब्रह्मविद्या कथं ज्ञेया रूपवर्णविवर्जिता । स्वरव्यञ्जननिर्मुक्तमक्षरं किमु तत्परम् ॥ १:९॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । अनुचार्यमसन्दिग्धमविच्छिन्नमनाकुलम् । निर्मलं सर्वगं सूक्ष्ममक्षरं किमतः परम् ॥ १:१०॥

⁸a) ०र्थं प्रश्नेकं] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$, ०र्थं प्रश्नेकं $C_{94}K_3$, ०र्थप्रश्नेकम् $C_{02}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ॰र्थप्रश्चैकं M, ॰थप्रश्नैक K°_{77} , ॰र्थ ${}^{\sim}$ प्रश्नैकं $K^{\circ ac}_{76}$, ॰र्थप्रश्नैकं $K^{\circ pc}_{76}$ (8b) प्रभविष्णुना] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_3P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{opc}K_{41}K_{107}E$, प्रभुविष्णुना C_{02} , प्राभविष्णुना K_{7} , om. K_{76}^{oac} $m{(8c)}$ ०धरो | Σ , ० $\stackrel{\checkmark}{=}$ रो C_{94} , ०धरा K_{10} $m{(8d)}$ ०न्वितः | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{77}^{\circ}$ $\mathbf{K}_{76}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{41}\mathbf{K}_{107}\mathbf{E}$, ०न्वितं $\mathbf{C}_{02}\mathbf{K}_{3}\mathbf{M}$ (9a) कथं] Σ , कथ \mathbf{K}_{77}° • ज्ञेया] $\mathbf{C}_{94}\mathbf{K}_{82}\mathbf{K}_{10}\mathbf{K}_{7}$ $P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}$, ज्ञेयं $C_{45}C_{02}$, ज्ञेय K_{3} , भूयो E=9b ०वर्ण०] Σ , ०वर्णा० E=1॰वर्जिता] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_3P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ॰वर्जितं C_{02} , ॰वर्जिताः K_7 , $_{-2}$ ता $P_{_{57}}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{_{107}}E$, ०मुक्त अक्ष० $C_{_{45}}K_{77}^{\circ}$, ०मुक्तं अख० $K_{_3}$, ०मुक्तं अक्ष० M, ०म्मुक्तंमक्ष० $K_{_{41}}$ $m{9d}$ किमु तत्परम्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7P_{57}K_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, किमतः परम् $C_{45}C_{02}$, किमतत्परं $K_{10}K_3M$ 10a अनुचार्य॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, अनुचार्य॰ C_{02} K_7K_3 , अन्त्रचाय॰ K_{77}° (10ab) ॰सन्दिग्धमविच्छिन्नमनाकुलम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7K_3$ $P_{\scriptscriptstyle{57}}MK_{\scriptscriptstyle{76}}^{\circ}K_{\scriptscriptstyle{41}}K_{\scriptscriptstyle{107}}E$, ०विच्छिन्नसिन्दिग्धमनाकुन $C_{\scriptscriptstyle{02}}$, ०सिन्दिग्धमनिच्छन्नमनाकुलम् $K_{\scriptscriptstyle{10}}$, ॰सन्दिग्धमविच्छिनमनाकुलं \mathbf{K}°_{77} ($\mathbf{10c}$) निर्मलं सर्वगं] Σ , 4 वगं \mathbf{P}_{57} , निर्मलं सर्वग K_{77}° 10c ०क्षरं किमतः परम्] $C_{45}M$, ०क्षरं किमु तत्परम् $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}E$, ०क्षरं किमतत्परं $C_{02}K_3K_{107}$, ०क्षर किमतः परं K_{77}° , ०क्षराङ्कमतत्परं K_{41}

[कालपाशः]

विगतराग उवाच । देही देहे क्षयं याते भूजलाग्निशिवादिभिः । यमदतैः कथं नीतो निरालम्बो निरञ्जनः ॥ १:११ ॥

कालपाशैः कथं बद्धो निर्देहश्च कथं व्रजेत् । स्वर्गं वा स कथं याति निर्देहो बहुधर्मकृत् । एतन्मे संशयं ब्रहि ज्ञातुमिच्छामि तत्त्वतः ॥ १:१२ ॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । अतिसंशयकष्टं ते पृष्टो ऽहं द्विजसत्तम ।

¹¹b cf. KūP 2.23.74: अथ कश्चित्प्रमादेन म्रियते ऽग्निविषादिभिः । तस्याशौचं विधातव्यं कार्यं चैवोदकादिकम् ॥

¹¹ •राग उवाच | Σ , •रागोवाच K_3 11a देहे क्ष• | $C_{94}C_{02}K_7P_{57}K_{767}^{\circ}$ देहात्क्ष॰ C_{45} , देहक्ष॰ $K_{82}K_{10}K_3MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$ • याते] Σ , यान्ते K_3 11b ॰जलाग्निशिवादिभिः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, ॰जलाग्निशिवादिभि C_{02} , ॰जलाग्निं शिimesदिभि K_3 , ॰जालादिशिवादिभिः K_{77}° (11c) ॰द्रतैः] Σ , ॰द्रते $C_{02}K_3$ • कथं] Σ , कथ K_{77}° • नीतो] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}K_{3}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}$, नीत्वा C_{02} , नीतः M_{r} , नीते K_{77}° , नीता $K_{41}K_{107}E$ (11d) निरालम्बो] Σ , निरोलया K_{41} , निरोरैन्वो \mathbf{K}_{107} • निरञ्जनः] Σ , निरञ्जन \mathbf{C}_{02} , निरञ्ज $\succeq \mathbf{K}_{77}^{\circ}$ 12a ॰पाशैः] Σ , ॰पाशे \mathbf{C}_{02} , ॰पाशै ${\bf K}_3$ • बद्धो] Σ , ब(द्धो) C_{45} , बद्ध ${\bf K}_3$ 12b निर्देहश्च] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$ $K_7 P_{57} M^{pc} K_{7e}^{\circ} K_{41} K_{107} E$, निर्देहः स C_{02} , निर्देहस्य K_3 , निर्देहन्म M^{ac} , निर्देहश्च K_{77}° • ब्रजेत्] Σ , भवेत् K_{10} (12c) स्वर्गं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, स्वर्ग $C_{02}K_3M$, स्वागं K_{77}° • स] Σ , सं $K_{10}M$ • याति] $K_{82}K_{10}K_7K_3P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}$ $K_{41}K_{107}$, यान्ति $C_{\Sigma}E$ (12d) निर्देहो] Σ , निर्देहो K_{27}° (12e) एतन्मे संशयं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{41}K_{107}E$, एतन्मे संशये K_{82} , एतन्मे संशयो $K_{10}K_{3}$, एवं विस्मयसंसय K_{77}° , एतंत्मे संशयं K_{76}° (12f) ०तुमिच्छामि] Σ , ०तुमि C_{45} (13) अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच] Σ , om. K_{so}^{ac} , अनर्थयज्ञ (उवाच) P_{57} 13a अतिसंशयकष्टं ते] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$ $\mathbf{M}^{pc}\mathbf{K}_{7e}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{107}$, अतिशंस (\mathbf{u}) कष्टन्ते \mathbf{C}_{94} , अतिशंसयकष्टम्मे $\mathbf{C}_{02}\mathbf{M}^{ac}\mathbf{E}$, अतिसंशयकष्टो मो K_{3} , अतिसंसयकष्टञ्च K_{77}° , अतिसंसयकष्ट \preceq न्ते पा K_{41} (13b) द्विजसत्तम | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$ $K_{10}K_7P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, च द्विजोत्तमः $C_{02}K_{77}^{\circ}$, द्विजसत्तमः K_3

दुर्विज्ञेयं मनुष्येस्तु देवदानवपन्नगैः ॥ १:१३ ॥ कर्महेतु शरीरस्य उत्पत्ति निधनं च यत् । सुकृतं दुष्कृतं चैव पाशद्वयमुदाहृतम् ॥ १:१४ ॥ तेनैव सह संयाति नरकं स्वर्गमेव वा । सुखदुःखं शरीरेण भोक्तव्यं कर्मसम्भवम् ॥ १:१५ ॥ हेतुनानेन विप्रेन्द्र देहः सम्भवते नृणाम् । यं कालपाशमित्याहुः शृणु वक्ष्यामि सुव्रत ॥ १:१६ ॥ न त्वया विदितं किञ्चिज्जिज्ञास्यसि कथं द्विज ।

⁽¹³c) ॰ ज्ञेयं] C₉₄C₄₅K₈₂K₇P₅₇K₇₆, ॰ ज्ञेय C₀₂K₁₀K₃MK₇₇K₄₁K₁₀₇E ● मनुष्यैस्तु] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, मनुषेश्च C_{45} , मणुक्षे(मु) C_{02} , मनुष्येस्तु K_3 $oxed{14a}$ कर्म॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}K_{7}K_{3}P_{57}MK_{77}^{\circ}K_{76}^{\circ}$, अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच $oxed{1}$ कर्म॰ $C_{02}K_{41}$ $K_{107}E \bullet \circ \hat{\epsilon}_{02}$ | Σ , $\circ \hat{\epsilon}_{03}: C_{45}$, $\circ \hat{\epsilon}_{03}: C_{02} \bullet$ शरीरस्य | Σ , शरीरस्यं C_{02} , स---(स्य) K₇₇ (14b) उत्पत्ति नि॰] C₉₄C₄₅K₈₂K₁₀K₇P₅₇K₇₇K₇₆K₆K₄₁K₁₀₇E, उत्पतिनि॰ $C_{02}K_3$, उत्पत्तिर्नि॰ M • च यत्] Σ , च यः K_{10} , यत् K_3 (14c) सुकृतं] Σ , सुकृतकृतन् C_{02} , सुकृत $K_3 \bullet \exists a \] \Sigma$, वापि $K_3K_{77}^{\circ}$ (14d) पाश॰ $] \Sigma$, पासा॰ \mathbf{K}_{77}° • ॰हतम्] Σ , ॰हतः \mathbf{C}_{02} (15a) तेनैव] Σ , तेनेव $\mathbf{C}_{02}\mathbf{K}_{3}$ • सह संयाति] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{107}E$, सह सा यान्ति $C_{02}K_3$, सह सा याति M, सह संयान्ति K_{77}° , सहं स याति K_{41} (15b) नरकं स्वर्ग \circ] Σ , नरकदुर्ग्ग \circ K_{77}° \bullet वा] $C_{57}K_{10}K_{7}$ $P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$, च $K_{82}K_{3}K_{77}^{\circ}$ (15c) सुख \circ] Σ , सुखं M \bullet \circ दुःखं] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}K_7P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}$, ॰दुःख $C_{02}K_{10}K_{77}^{\circ}K_{41}K_{107}E$ (15d) भोक्तव्यं] Σ , भोक्तव्य \mathbf{K}_{77}° • ॰सम्भवम्] $\mathbf{C}_{94}\mathbf{C}_{45}\mathbf{K}_{82}\mathbf{K}_{10}\mathbf{K}_{7}\mathbf{P}_{57}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{K}_{76}^{\circ}$, ॰सम्भवः $\mathbf{C}_{02}\mathbf{K}_{41}\mathbf{K}_{107}\mathbf{E}$, ॰संभावात् \mathbf{K}_{77}° (16a) हेतुनानेन] Σ , हेतुना तेन \mathbf{K}_{77}° , हेतुनाने \mathbf{K}_{107}^{ac} • ०न्द्र] Σ , ०न्द्रः $\mathbf{K}_{10}\mathbf{K}_{76}^{\circ}$ (16b) \dot{q} \dot{g} : $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}E_{7}$, \dot{q} \dot{g} \dot नृणाम्] Σ , नृणा $C_{45}C_{02}$ (16c) यं कालपाशमित्याहुः] em., यं कालपाशमित्याह C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}$, कालपासेति सत्वाह C_{02} , यं कालपाशमित्याहु $K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}E$, कालपाघेति (पस्त्वे) हM, यां कालपासिमत्याहु K_{77}° (16d) ॰ व्रत] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{76}^{\circ}K_{41}$ E, ॰व्रतः $C_{45}C_{02}K_{77}^{\circ}$ (17a) विदितं] Σ , विदित C_{02} (17ab) किञ्चिज्ञि] $C_{45}M$, কিস্সিদ্রিও $C_{94}^{pc}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, কিদ্রিও C_{94}^{ac} , কিস্সি जিও C_{02} (17b) কথ द्विज] Σ , \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq (म त्वया विदितं किश्चिद्विज्ञास्यिस) (cancelled) कथं द्विज C_{02} , कथं द्विजः P 🚓

कालपाशं च विप्रेन्द्र सकलं वेत्तुमर्हिस ॥ १:१७॥ कलाकितकालं च कालतत्त्वकलां श्रणु । त्रुटिद्वयं निमेषस्तु निमेषद्विगुणा कला ॥ १:१८॥ कलाद्विगुणिता काष्ठा काष्ठा वै त्रिंशतिः कला । त्रिंशत्कला मुहूर्तश्च मानुषेन द्विजोत्तम ॥ १:१९॥ मुहूर्तत्रिंशकेनैव अहोरात्रं विदुर्बुधाः । अहोरात्रं पुनिस्त्रंशन्मासमाहुर्मनीषिणः ॥ १:२०॥ समा द्वादश मासाश्च कालतत्त्वविदो जनाः । शतं वर्षसहस्राणि त्रीणि मानुषसंख्यया । षष्टिं चैव सहस्राणि कालः कलियगः स्मृतः ॥ १:२१॥

²¹ K₁₀ omits verses 21ef-24ab

¹⁷c कालपाशं च] Σ , कालपाषेति M 17d वेत्तुमर्हिस] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}$, वेत्तुमूहिस K_7 , वक्तुमर्हिस $MK_{41}E$ 18a कला॰] Σ , काला॰ $C_{02}K_{82}^{ac}$ • ॰कित॰] Σ , ०(किन्मित)॰ K_{41} • ॰कालं च] Σ , ०कालश्च ME 18b ॰कलां] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}$ $P_{57}K_{41}E$, ०कला $C_{45}K_7$, ०विधि K_{82} , ०कलाः M 18c ग्रुटिह्यं] $C_{94}C_{02}K_7P_{57}E$, तुटिह्यं $C_{45}K_{10}$, तुट्ह्यं $C_{45}K_{10}$, तुट

द्विगुणः कलिसंख्यातो द्वापरो युग संज्ञितः । त्रेता तु त्रिगुणा ज्ञेया चतुः कृतयुगः स्मृतः ॥ १:२२॥

एषा चतुर्युगासंख्या कृत्वा वै ह्येकसप्ततिः । मन्वन्तरस्य चैकस्य ज्ञानमुक्तं समासतः ॥ १:२३॥

कल्पो मन्वन्तराणां तु चतुर्दश तु संख्यया । दश कल्पसहस्राणि ब्रह्माहः परिकल्पितम् । रात्रिरेतावती प्रोक्ता मुनिभिस्तत्त्वदर्शिभिः ॥ १:२४॥

रात्र्यागमे प्रलीयन्ते जगत्सर्वं चराचरम् । अहागमे तथैवेह उत्पद्यन्ते चराचरम् ॥ १:२५॥

परार्घपरकल्पानि अतीतानि द्विजोत्तम । अनागतं तथैवाहुर्भृगुरादिमहर्षयः ॥ १:२६॥

²²a द्विगुणः किलसंख्यातो] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}$, किलसंख्यास्तु द्विगुणो M, द्विगुणेः किलसंख्यातो K_{41} , द्विगुणा किलसंख्यातो E 22b द्वापरो युग संज्ञितः] Σ , द्वापरः युगः संज्ञिकम् M, द्वापरे युग संज्ञितः E 22c त्रेता] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}P_{57}K_{41}E$, तेत्रा $C_{02}M$, त्रेत्रा K_7 • त्रिगुणा] Σ , त्रुगुणो M • ज्ञेया] Σ , ज्ञेयः M 22d ॰ युगः] Σ , ० युग E 23b द्वे॰] Σ , हे॰ K_7 • ॰ ॰ सप्तितः] Σ , ० सप्तित M 23c मन्वन्तरस्य] Σ , मन्वन्तरन्तस्य P_{57} • चैंकस्य] Σ , ० от. $K_{82}^{ac}M^{ac}$ 23d ॰ कं] Σ , ० कं M 24a कल्पो] C_{45} , कल्प $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{41}E$ • मन्वन्तर] Σ , न्वन्त M^{ac} , मंन्वन्त M^{pc} 24b ॰ द्वरा] Σ , ० द्वरं C_{45} • संख्यया] Σ , शंक्षया M 24d ॰ आहः] Σ , ० आह C_{94} • परिकिल्पितम्] $C_{94}K_{7}P_{57}$, किल्पितम् C_{45} , परिकिल्पितः $C_{02}K_{10}M$ $C_{41}E$, परिकिलिताः $C_{82}E$, $C_{82}E$,

यथार्कग्रहतारेन्दु भ्रमतो दृश्यते त्विह । कालचक्रं भ्रमित्वैव विश्रमं न च विद्यहे ॥ १:२७ ॥ कालः सृजित भूतानि कालः संहरते पुनः । कालस्य वशगाः सर्वे न कालवशकृत्कचित् ॥ १:२८ ॥ चतुर्दश परार्धानि देवराजा द्विजोत्तम । कालेन समतीतानि कालो हि दुरितक्रमः ॥ १:२९ ॥ एष कालो महायोगी ब्रह्मा विष्णुः परः शिवः । अनादिनिधनो धाता स महात्मा नमस्कुरु ॥ १:३० ॥

[परार्घादि]

विगतराग उवाच । श्रुतं वै कालचकं तु मुखपद्मविनिःसृतम् ।

 $28ab \approx \text{UMS}\ 12.34 \text{cd}$: कालः पचित भूतानि कालः संहरते प्रजाः $28 \approx \text{KūP}\ 1.11.32$: कालः सृजित भूतानि कालः संहरते प्रजाः । सर्वे कालस्य वशगा न कालः कस्यिचद्वशे ॥ $29d = \text{MBh}\ 12.220.41 d = \text{GarP}\ 1.108.7 d$

²⁷a ०आर्क०] Σ , ०आर्का० M^{ac} • ०तारेन्दु] Σ , ०तारेन्दु M 27b अमतो] Σ , भुमनो K_{41} • दश्यते त्विह] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}E$, दश्यिन्द्द C_{45} , द्रस्यते त्विहः C_{02} , दश्यते त्विहः M 27c अमित्वैव] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}E$, अमत्वैव $C_{94}K_{82}E$, अमत्वेव $C_{45}E_{10}E$, अमत्वेव $C_{45}E_{10}E$, अमत्वेह C_{02} , अमत्येव $C_{41}E_{10}E$, ०अमं] $C_{52}K_{82}^{pc}K_{7}E$, ०अमो $C_{41}E_{10}E$, ०अमो $C_{41}E_{10}E_{10}E$, ०अमो $C_{41}E_{10}E$, ०अमो $C_{41}E_{10}E$, ००० अमे $C_{41}E_{10}$

परार्धं च परं चैव श्रोतुं वः प्रतिदीपितम् ॥ १:३१ ॥ अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । एकं दशं शतं चैव सहस्रमयुतं तथा । प्रयुतं नियुतं कोटिमर्बुदं वृन्दमेव च ॥ १:३२ ॥ खर्वं चैव निखर्वं च शङ्क पद्मं तथैव च । समुद्रो मध्यमन्तं च परार्धं च परं तथा ॥ १:३३ ॥ सर्वे दशगुणा ज्ञेयाः परार्धं च परं तथा ॥ १:३३ ॥ परार्धिहगुणेनैव परसंख्या विधीयते ॥ १:३४ ॥ परात्परतरं नास्ति इति मे निश्चिता मितः । पुराणवेदपठिता मयाख्याता द्विजोत्तम ॥ १:३५ ॥

33ab = BrahmāṇḍaP 3.2.101

33ab After these two pādas, K_{41} inserts this : वृन्दश्चैव महावृन्द द्विपरो नन्तनेव च 33cd E omits 34cd-35 and then inserts this : वृन्दश्चैव महावृन्द द्विपरानन्तमेव च

31c परार्धं च] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, (प)रार्धं च C_{94} , पराधञ्च M^{ac} , परार्धं श्रे M^{pc} • परं चैव] Σ , पराञ्चेव MK_{41} 31d वः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}^{ac}M^{ac}K_{41}$, नो P_{57}^{pc} , नः M^{pc} , यः E • ०दीपितम्] Σ , ०दीयतां M 32 अनर्थयञ्च उवाच] Σ , om. K_{82}^{ac} 32a दशं] Σ , दश C_{94} , (दश) P_{57} 32b सहस्र•] Σ , साहस्र• M • ०युतं] Σ , ०तन् K_{10} 32c प्र•] Σ , प॰ K_{41} 32cd कोटिम॰] Σ , कोटिर॰ K_{7} 32d ॰ वुंदं] Σ , ० वुदं K_{7} 33a निस्तर्वं च] Σ , निस्त्वं तु K_{10} , निस्त्वं M 33b शङ्क] Σ , शंस्र E • पद्मं] Σ , पद्म M 33c समुद्रो] Σ , समुद्र॰ M • मध्यमन्तं च] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}^{ac}P_{57}MK_{41}$, मध्यमान्तं च K_{82}^{pc} , मध्य(मन्तञ्च) K_{10} , मध्यमन्तश्च K_{7} 33d परार्धं च परं तथा] Σ , परार्धं परद्वेगुणाम् M 34a सर्वे] Σ , सर्वं K_{41} 34b परार्धं] $K_{7}P_{57}$, परा(र्ध) K_{94} , परार्धं $K_{7}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}MK_{41}$ • यावदेव] Σ , दशद्व K_{41} 34c परार्धं] Σ , परार्धं K_{7} 34d ॰ संख्या] Σ , ०सख्या M 35ab परात्परतरं नास्ति इति मे निश्चिता मितः] $K_{7}^{c}P_{57}K_{41}$, एरात्परतरं नास्ति इति मे निश्चिता मिति $K_{82}K_{7}^{c}$, परापरतरम्नास्ति इति K_{82}^{c} , ॰ लेदं K_{82}^{c} , ० लेदं

[ब्रह्माण्डम्]

विगतराग उवाच ।
ब्रह्माण्डं कित विज्ञेयं प्रमाणं ज्ञापितं किचित् ।
कित चाङ्गिलिमूर्ध्वेषु सूर्यस्तपित वै महीम् ॥ १:३६ ॥
अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।
ब्रह्माण्डानां प्रसंख्यातुं मया शक्यं कथं द्विज ।
देवास्ते ऽपि न जानन्ति मानुषाणां च का कथा ॥ १:३० ॥
पर्यायेण तु वक्ष्यामि यथाशक्यं द्विजोत्तम ।
ब्रह्मणा यत्पुराख्यातो मातिरश्वा यथा तथा ॥ १:३८ ॥
शिवाण्डाभ्यन्तरेणैव सर्वेषामिव भूभृताम् ।
दश नाम दिशाष्टानां ब्रह्माण्डे कीर्तितं शृणु ॥ १:३९ ॥

38cd cf. BrahmāṇḍaP 3.4.58cd : ब्रह्मा ददौ शास्त्रमिदं पुराणं मातरिश्वने

³⁶a ब्रह्माण्डं] Σ , ब्रह्माण्डं C_{02} 36b प्रमाणं ज्ञापितं कचित्] conj., प्रमाणं चापितं कचित् $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}E$, प्रमाञ्जापितत् कचित् K_7 , प्रमाणञ्जापितां कित M 36c रुर्चेषु] conj., प्रमेष् $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{41}E$ 36d सूर्यस्तः] Σ , यों M^{ac} , शूर्यों M^{pc} • महीम्] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}P_{57}MK_{41}$, मही(म्) C_{94} , मही $K_{10}K_{7}E$ 37a ब्रह्माः] Σ , ब्रह्माः M • प्रसंख्यातुं] Σ , प्रसंसा तु K_{10} , च संख्यातुं E 37b शक्यं कः] $K_{82}K_{10}$ $K_{41}^{pc}E$, शक्यां कः $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}P_{57}$, सक्याङ्कः M, ह्यक्यं कः K_{41}^{ac} 37c देवास्ते] Σ , देवतापि M 37d मानुषाणां च] Σ , मानुषानंञ्च M^{ac} , मानुषानाञ्च M^{pc} 38c यत्पुराख्यातो] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$, यत्पुराख्यातं M, यत्प्रयात्परायाख्यातो K_{41} , यत्ममाख्यातो E 39a शिवाण्डाः] Σ , शिवाण्डः M^{ac} , शिवाण्डः M^{pc} 39b सर्वेषामिव भूरता K_{82} , सर्वेषामेव भूरिताः $K_{94}C_{45}K_{7}P_{57}$, सर्वेषामेव भूरिताः K_{02} , सर्वेषामेव भूरिता K_{82} , सर्वेषामेव भूरिगा K_{10} , स्वंषामेव भूरिगा K_{10} , स्वंपा K_{10} , स्वंपा K_{10} , दिशाष्टाणा K_{10} , दिशाष्टाणा K_{10} , विश्वाष्टाणां K_{10} , हिशाष्टाणां K_{10}

[भूभृतां नामानि]

[पूर्वतः]

सहासहः सहः सह्यो विसहः संहतो ऽसभा ।

प्रसहो ऽप्रसहः सानुः पूर्वतो दश नायकाः ॥ १:४० ॥

[आग्नेये]

प्रभासो भासनो भानुः प्रद्योतो द्युतिमो द्युतिः । दीप्ततेजाश्च तेजाश्च तेजा तेजवहो दश । आग्नेये त्वेतदाख्यातं याम्ये शृणवथ भो द्विज ॥ १:४१ ॥

[याम्ये]

यमो ऽथ यमुना यामः संयमो यमुनो ऽयमः । संयनो यमनोयानो यनियुग्मा यनोयनः ॥ १:४२॥

⁴⁰a) सहासहः] K_7 , साहासह $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} P_{57} M K_{41} E$ • सहः सह्यो] $C_{94} C_{02} K_{82}$ $K_{10}K_7P_{57}$, सहः सज्ञा C_{45} , सहो सद्धः M, सहः सज्ञो $K_{41}E$ (40b) विसहः] $C_{94}C_{45}$ $K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}E$, विसह $C_{02}M$, विसहः K_{41} • ऽसभा] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$, सभाः C_{45} , सहा M, सता $K_{41}E$ (40c) प्रसहो] Σ , प्रसहेः $E \bullet \nabla K$ प्रसहः] Σ , प्रस(वः) C_{02} , सप्रहः $E \bullet \text{ सानु: }] C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}$, सानु $K_{7}ME \quad \textbf{(40d)} \quad \text{पूर्वतो }] \Sigma$, पर्वतो E 41a भासनो] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}M$, भास $_{-1}^{1}$, C_{02} , भांसतो K_{41} , भासतो E • भानुः] Σ , भानु $C_{45}M$ (41b) द्युतिमो] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}M$, द्युतिनो $K_{7}K_{41}E$ (41c) दीप्ततेजाश्च तेजाश्च] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}$, दीप्ततेजाश्च तेजश्च C_{45} , दीप्ततेजस् तेजश्च M (unmetr.), दीप्ततेजश्च तेजाश्च E (41d) तेजा तेजवहो \sum , तेजतेजयह M (41e)आग्नेये] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}E$, आग्नेय $K_{7}K_{41}$, आग्नेर्य M ullet त्वेतदा \circ] Σ , त्वेचमा M(41f) शृण्वथ] Σ , शृणुथ M \bullet द्विज] Σ , द्विजः K_{10} (42a) यमो] Σ , यमा K_{41} (42b) संयमो | Σ , संयम M, संयमा K_{41} • यमुनो | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}$, यमनो $C_{02}K_{7}$, युमुना K_{82} , यमतो M, यमुना॰ E • यमः] Σ , यन M, यामः K_{41} (unmetr.) (42c) संयनो यमनोयानो $]K_{82}$, संयमो यमनोयानो $C_{94}C_{02}E$, संयमो यमुनोयानो $C_{45}K_{10}$ P_{57} , संयमा यमनो यामो K_{7} , यमियुग्मा यनो यानः M, संयमा यमनो यानो K_{41} (42d) यनियुग्मा यनोयनः] $K_{10}P_{57}$, यनियुग्मा नयो यनः $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$, यनियुग्मा नयो नयः C_{45} K_{41} , यनियुग्मा नयो यमः K_7 , दशमा याम्यमाश्रता M, यनियुग्मा नयोनय E

[नैर्ऋते]

नगजो नगना नन्दो नगरो नग नन्दनः । नगर्भो गहनो गुद्धो गूढजो दश तत्परः ॥ १:४३॥

[वारुणे]

वारुणेन प्रवक्ष्यामि शृणु विप्र निबोध मे । बभ्रः सेतुर्भवोद्भद्रः प्रभवोद्भवभाजनः ।

भरणो भुवनो भर्ता दशैते वरुणालयाः ॥ १:४४ ॥

[वायव्ये]

नृगर्भो ऽसुरगर्भश्च देवगर्भो महीधरः ।

वृषमो वृषगर्भश्च वृषाङ्को वृषभध्वजः ॥ १:४५॥

ज्ञातव्यश्च तथा सम्यग् वृषजो वृषनन्दनः ।

⁽⁴³a) नगना नन्दो] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$, नगजा नन्दो C_{45} , नगनागेन्द्र M, नगनो नदो $K_{41}E$ (43b) नगरो नगनन्दनः] $K_{10}M^{ac}K_{41}$, नगरोरगनन्दनः $C_{94}K_{7}$, नगरो(नगनन्द)नः C_{45} , नग(रो) 2 नन्दनः C_{02} , नगरोगरनन्दनः K_{82} , नगरोरगनन्दनः P_{57} , नगरो नननन्दनः M^{pc} , नगरोन्नगनन्दनः E (43c) नगर्भौ \sum , नगभो K_{10} , नगर्भ M ● गहनो गुद्यो] Σ , गुहनो गुद्य M, गहनो गुद्ये E (43d) गूढजो] Σ , गुडजो M• तत्परः] Σ , तत्परम् M (44a) वारुणेन] Σ , वारुणे च E (44b) शृणु] K_{10} $P_{57}M$, शक्ते $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, श्(क्रें) C_{02} , मृद्धे (पाप्त) (cancelled) K_{41} , मृद्धे E (44c) बभ्रः सेतुर्भवो॰] corr., बभ्रं सेतुर्भवो॰ $C_{94}C_{45}$, बभ्रं सेतु भवो॰ C_{02} , बभ्रः सेतु भवो॰ K_{82} , बम्रं सोतुरबम्रं सेतुर्भवो०भवो० K_{10} , बम्र सेतुर्भवो० K_{7} , बम्रं सेतुर्भवे० P_{57} , बम्रू सेतु भवो० M, बभ्रून्सेतुर्भवो॰ K_{41} , बभ्रून्सतुर्भवो॰ E (44d) प्रभवोद्भव॰] Σ , प्रभवोभव॰ M • ०भाजनः । Σ , ०भाजन E $\overline{(44e)}$ भरणो । $C_{45}K_7$, भरण $C_{94}K_{82}$, भरणां $C_{02}K_{41}E$, भरणा K_{10} , भरणे P_{57} , भरणः M (44f) दशैते] Σ , दशेते K_7 , दशैता M • ०लयाः] Σ , ॰लया ME 45a नृगर्भों] Σ , नृगभा M \bullet ॰गर्भश्च] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}$, ॰गर्भाश्च $C_{02}K_{82}ME$ 45b देवगर्भो] Σ , देवगर्भ M 45c ॰गर्भश्च] $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}$ ${
m K_7P_{57}E}$, ०गर्भाश्च ${
m K_{82}}$, ०गर्भोश्च ${
m M}$, ०श्मश्च ${
m K_{41}}$ ${
m (45d)}$ वृषाङ्को] ${
m \Sigma}$, वृषांगो ${
m M}$ ${
m ullet}$ वृषभ॰] Σ , वृष \cong \circ C_{02} (46a) ज्ञातव्यश्च तथा सम्यग्] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, ज्ञातव्यश्च यथा सम्यग् P_{57} , वृषञ्जवृषनन्दश्च M, ज्ञानवाञ्च तथा सम्य K_{41} , ज्ञानवाञ्च तथा सत्य॰ E 46bवृषजो वृषनन्दनः \sum , वृषनन्दनः K_{82} , दशनायक वायवे M

नायका दश वायव्ये कीर्तिता ये मया द्विज ॥ १:४६ ॥

[उत्तरे]

सुलभः सुमनः सौम्यः सुप्रजः सुतनुः शिवः ।

सतः सत्य लयः शम्भुर्दश नायकमुत्तरे ॥ १:४७॥

इन्दु बिन्दु भुवो वज्र वरदो वर वर्षणः ।

इलनो वलिनो ब्रह्मा दशेशानेषु नायकाः ॥ १:४८ ॥

[मध्यमे] अपरो विमलो मोहो निर्मलो मन मोहनः । अक्षयश्चाव्ययो विष्णुर्वरदो मध्यमे दश ॥ १:४९ ॥

[परिवाराः] सर्वेषां दशमीशानां परिवारशतं शतम् ।

⁽⁴⁶cd) नायका दश वायव्ये कीर्तिता ये मया द्विज $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}P_{57}K_{41}E$, नायका दश वायव्ये कीर्तिता ये मया द्विजः $C_{02}K_{10}$, नायका दश वायव्ये कीर्तिता य मया द्विज K_{7} , कीर्तितो यं मया द्विप्र यथा तथ्येन सुव्रतः M (47a) सुलभः] Σ , सुरभः $K_{41}E \bullet$ सुमनः] C_{52} $K_{82}K_{10}E$, सुमनाः K_7 , सुसमः P_{57} , सुमनो M, सुमन K_{41} \bullet सौम्यः $\mid \Sigma$, सोम्य M(47c) सतः सत्य] corr., सत सत्य $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}$, सत्यसत्य K_{82} , सुत सत्य K_{10} , सुतः सत्य M, सत सत्या॰ E • लयः] Σ , लयं K_7 (47cd) शम्भुर्द॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}P_{57}$ $K_{41}E$, शम्भु द० $C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}$, शम्(भुं) द० M (47d) ०नायकमु०] Σ , ०नायक उ० ${f E}$ ${f (48a)}$ वज्र ${f |}$ Σ , ब्रजः ${f M}$ ${f (48b)}$ ०वर्षणः ${f |}$ $C_\Sigma K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}M$, ० ${f '}$ (र्शणम्) K_{7} , ॰दर्प्पणः K_{41} , ॰दर्य्य च E (48c) इलनो वलिनो ब्रह्मा] Σ , इलिनो वलिनो ब्रह्मः M(48d) दशे॰] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, दशै॰ $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$, दिशै॰ M • नायकाः] Σ , ਸ \circ] em., ਜਿਸਲੀ ਸ \circ C_{94} , ਜਿਸਲੀ ਜਾ \circ $C_{45}K_7K_{41}$, ਜਿਸਲੀ ਜਿਸਲੀ ਜਾ \circ $C_{02}E$, ਜਿਸਲੀ ਜੰ \circ K_{82} K_{10} , निमलोत्म॰ P_{57} , निर्मलोन्म॰ M (49c) अक्षयश्चाव्ययो | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$ K_{41} , अक्षयाश्चाव्ययो C_{02} , अक्षयश्चाव्ययं M, अक्षयञ्चाव्ययो E (49cd) विष्णुर्व० C_{94} $C_{45}K_7K_{41}E$, विष्णु व॰ $C_{02}K_{82}P_{57}M$, विष्णुर्व K_{10} (49d) मध्यमे दश] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7$ K_{41} , मध्यमो दश $C_{02}K_{82}P_{57}$, वरवर्षणः K_{10} , मध्यमो दशः M, मध्यमे दशः E (50a) सर्वेषां | Σ , सर्वेषा \mathbf{K}_{τ} • दशमीशानां | Σ , दशरीशानां \mathbf{E} (50b) परिवार० | Σ , परि० C_{45} , परिवारं K_{82}

श्वातानां पृथगेकैकं सहस्रैः परिवारितम् ॥ १:५० ॥ सहस्रेषु च एकैकमयुतैः परिवारितम् । अयुतं प्रयुतेर्वृन्दैः प्रयुतं नियुतेर्वृतम् ॥ १:५१ ॥ एकैकस्य परीवारो नियुतः पृथगेव च । कोटिभिर्दशकोट्येन एकैकः परिवारितः ॥ १:५२ ॥ दशकोटिषु एकैकं वृन्दवृन्दभृतैर्वृतम् । वृन्दवर्गेषु एकैकं खर्वभिः परिवारितम् ॥ १:५३ ॥ खर्ववर्गेषु एकैकं दशखर्वगणैर्वृतम् ।

⁽⁵⁰d) सहस्रै:] Σ , सहस्रै M • ॰वारितम्] $C_{94}C_{45}C_{09}^{pc}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}$, ०वारिता C_{02}^{ac} , ॰वारितः M, ॰वारिताः E (51ab) एकैकम॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}E$, एकैकं अयुतं] E, अयुतैः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}MK_{41}$, अयुतै K_{10} • प्रयुतैर्वृन्दैः] Σ , प्रयुतै वृन्दैः K_{7} , प्रयुतैर्भृत्य M (51d) प्रयुतं नियुतैर्वृतम्] corr., प्रयुतैर्नियुतैर्वृतः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}$ P_{57} , प्रयुतेर्नियुतैर्वृतः C_{02} , प्रयुतै नियुतै वृतः K_{10} , प्रयुतः नियुतैः वृतः M, प्रयुते नियुतैर्वृतः K_{41} , प्रयुतं नियुतैर्वृतः E (52a) परीवारो | Σ , परिवार M (unmetr.), परिवारो E (unmetr.) (52b) नियुतः । Σ , नियुत C_{02} • च । Σ , चः K_7^{ac} (52c) कोटिभिर्दशकोट्येन] $C_{94}C_{02}P_{57}K_{41}E$, कोटिभि दशकोट्येन C_{45} , कोटिभिर्दशकोट्योन $\mathbf{K}_{82}\mathbf{K}_{77}$ कोटिभिर्दशकोट्येनः \mathbf{K}_{107} कोटिभिः परिवाराणि कोटिभि दशकोटिकम् \mathbf{M} एकैकः परिवारितः] $C_{45}K_{80}E$, एकैकः परिवारि(तः) C_{94} , एकैकपरिवारितः $C_{02}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$, एकैकपरिवाराणां M, एकैकः परिवारितं K_{41} (53a) दशकोटिषु एकैकं] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}K_{41}$ E_{r} , दशकोटीषु एकैकं $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}$, दशकोट्येषु एककं M (53b) वृन्दवृन्दभृतैर्वृतम् $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}P_{57}$, वृन्दवृन्दवृतैर्वृतं K_{82} , वृन्दवृन्दभृतै वृतं K_{7} , वृन्द्रवृन्देषु एकैकं M, वृन्दवृन्दवृतैर्वृत K_{41} , वृन्दवृन्दं वृतैर्वृतः E (53c) वृन्दवर्गेषु] Σ , वृन्दवर्गेभिः तै वृतम् M (53d) खर्विभिः परिवारितम्] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}$, खर्विभिः परिवारितम् K_7 , खर्विभिः परिवाराणि M, खर्विभिः परिवारित K_{41} , खर्विभिः परिवारितः E (54a) खर्ववर्गेषु एकैकं] Σ , खर्ववर्गेव एककम् M (54b) दशस्ववंगणैर्वृतम्] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}$, दशस्ववंगणै वृतम् C_{45} , दशखर्वगणे वृत्तं K_z , दशखर्वेष एकैकं दशखर्वगणैर्वतम् M, दशखर्वगणैर्वतः E

द्शाखर्वेषु एकैकं शङ्काभिः परिवारितम् ॥ १:५४ ॥ शङ्काभिः पृथगेकैकं पद्मेन परिवारितम् । पद्मवर्गेषु एकैकं समुद्रैः परिवारितम् ॥ १:५५ ॥ समुद्रेषु तथैकैकं मध्यसंख्येस्तु तैर्वृतम् । मध्यसंख्येषु एकैकमनन्तैः परिवारितम् ॥ १:५६ ॥ अनन्तेषु च एकैकं परार्धपरिवारितम् । परार्धेषु च एकैकं परेण परिवारितम् । एष वै कथितो विप्र शक्यं सांख्यमुदीरितम् ॥ १:५७ ॥ [प्रमाणम्]

प्रमाणं शृणु मे विप्र संक्षेपाद्भवतो मम । चन्द्रोदये पूर्णमास्यां वपुरण्डस्य तादृशम् ॥ १:५८॥

57ab omitted in P_{57} 58b After संक्षेपा॰ P_{57} f. 213v breaks off and resumes only at 2.21c. One folio containing 1.58cd–2.21ab is missing.

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कोटिकोटिसहस्रं तु योजनानां समन्ततः । अण्डानां च परीमाणं ब्रह्मणा परिकीर्तितम् ॥ १:५९॥ सप्तकोटिसहस्राणि सप्तकोटिशतानि च । विशकोटिष्वङ्गुलीषु ऊर्ध्वतस्तपते रविः ॥ १:६०॥ प्रमाणं नाम संख्या च कीर्तितानि समासतः । ब्रह्माण्डं चाप्रमेयाणां लक्षणं परिकीर्तितम् ॥ १:६१॥ [पुराणम्]

पुराणाशीसहस्राणि शतानि द्विजसत्तम । ब्रह्मणा कथितं पूर्णं मातरिश्वा यथातथम् ॥ १:६२ ॥ वायुना पाद संक्षिप्य प्राप्तं चोशनसं पुरा । तेनापि पाद संक्षिप्य प्राप्तवांश्च बृहस्पतिः ॥ १:६३ ॥

60cd The folio in K_{10} ends with ऊर्घ, and the folios that may have contained verses 1.60d-2.22 are missing.

बृहस्पतिस्तु प्रोवाच सूर्यं त्रिंशत्सहस्रिकम् ।
पञ्चिविंशत्सहस्राणि मृत्युं प्राह दिवाकरः ॥ १:६४ ॥
एकविंशत्सहस्राणि मृत्युनेन्द्राय कीर्तितम् ।
इन्द्रेणाह विसष्ठाय विंशत्श्लोकसहित्रकम् ॥ १:६५ ॥
अष्टादशसहस्राणि तेन सारस्वताय तु ।
सारस्वतिस्रधामाय सहस्रदश सप्त च ॥ १:६६ ॥
षोडशानां सहस्राणि भरद्वाजाय वै ततः ।
दश पञ्चसहस्राणि त्रिवृषाय अभाषत ॥ १:६० ॥
चतुर्दशसहस्राणि अन्तरीक्षाय वै ततः ।
त्रय्यारुणि सहस्राणि त्रयोदश अभाषत ॥ १:६८ ॥
त्रय्यारुणिस्तु विप्रेन्द्रो धनंजयमभाषत ।
द्वादशानि सहस्राणि संक्षिप्य पुनरब्रवीत् ॥ १:६९ ॥

 $C_{02}M$ $m{64c}$ ॰विंशत्सहस्राणि] corr., ॰विंशहस्राणि C_{94} , ॰विंशसहस्राणि $C_{45}C_{02}$ $K_{82}K_7MK_{41}$, ०विशत्सहस्राणि E (64d) मृत्युं प्राह] Σ , मृत्यु प्राहः M (65a) ॰विंशत्॰] E, ॰विंश॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}MK_{41}$ (65b) कीर्तितम्] E, कीर्तितः $C_{94}C_{45}$ $K_{82}K_7^{pc}M$, कीर्तिताः C_{02} , कीर्तित K_7^{ac} , कीर्तितंः K_{41} (65c) इन्द्रे॰] Σ , इन्दे॰ \mathbf{K}_{41} (65c) वसिष्ठाय] Σ , विशिष्ठाय \mathbf{C}_{45} , विहिष्ठाय \mathbf{K}_{7} (65d) विश्तातक्षी | corr., विराश्चो॰ $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}K_{41}E$, विराश्चो॰ C_{45} , त्रिराश्चो॰ M (66a) अष्टादरासहस्राणि] Σ , आष्टादशसहस्राणि K_7 , विसष्ठेदशसहस्रं M (66c) सारस्वतिस्रि \circ] em., सारस्वता त्रि॰ $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}K_{41}E$, सारस्वतास्त्रि॰ C_{45} , सारस्वत तृ॰ M • ॰धामाय] Σ , om. $\mathbf{K}_{\mathrm{so}}^{ac}$ (66d) सहस्रदश] Σ , सहस्रादश M (67b) भर \circ] Σ , भार \circ C_{02} , सन \circ ${f M}$ ${f 67d}$ अभाषत] ${f C}_{94}{f C}_{45}{f K}_{82}{f K}_{41}$, अ(भाषत) ${f C}_{02}$, अभाषतः ${f K}_7{f E}$, मभासतः ${f M}$ 68b अन्तरी॰ | Σ , अन्तरि॰ M 68c त्रय्यारुणि | corr., त्र्यैयारुणि $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$ MK_{41} , त्रैयारुणि $C_{02}E$, त्र्यैयारूपिनि K_7 (68d) अभाषत] $C_{94}C_{02}K_7K_{41}$, अभाषतः C_{45} , स्वभावत K_{82} , मभासतः M, ह्यभाषत E 69a त्रय्यारुणि॰] corr., त्र्यैयारुणि॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}K_{41}$, त्रैयारुणि॰ $K_{82}E$, त्र्यैर्यारुणि॰ M • विप्रेन्द्रो Σ , विप्रेन्द्द $C_{02}M$ 69b धनंजय॰] Σ , धन॰ \mathbf{K}^{ac}_{82} • ॰भाषत] $\mathbf{C}_{94}\mathbf{C}_{02}\mathbf{K}_{82}\mathbf{K}_7\mathbf{K}_{41}$, ॰भाषतः $\mathbf{C}_{45}\mathbf{ME}$

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कृतंजयाय सम्प्राप्तो धनंजयमहामुनिः । कृतंजयाद्विजश्रेष्ठ ऋणंजयमहात्मने ॥ १:७० ॥ ऋणञ्जयात्पुनः प्राप्तो गौतमाय महर्षिणे । गौतमाच भरद्वाजस्तस्माद्धर्यद्वताय तु ॥ १:७१ ॥ राजश्रवास्ततः प्राप्तः सोमशुष्माय वै ततः । सोमशुष्मात्ततः प्राप्तस्तृणबिन्दुस्तु भो द्विज ॥ १:७२ ॥ तृणबिन्दुस्तु वृक्षाय वृक्षः शक्तिमभाषत । शक्तिः पराशरं प्राह जतुकर्णाय वै ततः ॥ १:७३ ॥ द्वैपायनं तु प्रोवाच जतुकर्णो महर्षिणम् । रोमहर्षाय सम्प्राप्तो द्वैपायनमहामुनिः ॥ १:७४ ॥ रोमहर्षेण प्रोवाच पुत्रायामितबुद्धये ।

75ab ≈ BrahmāṇḍaP 3.4.67ab : मया चैतत्पुनः प्रोक्तं पुत्रायामितबुद्धये

⁽⁷⁰b) ॰मुनिः] Σ , ॰मुणि M (70c) कृतंजयािंद्धि॰] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{41}E$, कृतंजया द्वि॰ $C_{45}C_{02}K_7$, धनञ्जय द्वि॰ M • ०श्रेष्ठ Σ , ०श्रेष्ठो E 70d ऋणंजय॰ Σ , ऋणंजाय॰ C_{45} • ॰महात्मने] Σ , ॰मभाशतः M $\overline{71a}$ प्राप्तो] Σ , प्राप्तः M, प्राप्तौ E71b) महर्षिण] Σ , महर्षिणः M 71c) गौतमाच] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}E$, गौतमाश्च $K_{7}K_{41}$, गौतमेन M (71cd) भरद्वाजस्तस्मार्द्धयद्वताय] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_7$, भरद्वारस्तस्मार्द्धयद्वताय C₄₅, भरद्वाज तस्मा हर्यद्वताय M, भरद्वाजस्तस्मार्द्वयद्वनाय K₄₁, भरद्वाजस्तस्माद्दम्याद्दमाय E 72a) राजश्रवास्त \circ] em., राजश्रव त \circ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{41}E$, राजश्रवे त \circ K_{7} , राजर्षव त \circ M (72ab) प्राप्तः सोम \circ] Σ , प्राप्त साम \circ K_{41} (72c) ॰शुष्मात्त \circ] Σ , ॰शुष्मा त॰ K_{82} (72cd) प्राप्तस्तृणविन्दुस्तु] Σ , प्रा(प्त तृ)णविन्दुस्तु C_{02} , प्राप्तस्तृणविन्दुन्तु K_{41} (72d) भो] Σ , om. C_{45} (73b) वृक्षः] Σ , वृक्ष M • ०भाषत] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$ K_7K_{41} , ॰भाषतः $C_{02}ME$ (73c) शक्तिः पराशरं] Σ , शपरासर M^{ac} , शक्ति परासर \mathbf{M}^{pc} $(73\mathbf{d})$ जतु॰] Σ , तु॰ \mathbf{C}_{45} , जंतु॰ \mathbf{M} $(74\mathbf{a})$ द्वैपायनं तु] em., द्वैपायनस्तु $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}MK_{41}$, द्वैपायनाय E (unmetr.) (74b) जतुकर्णो महर्षिणम् | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}^{pc}$ K_{7} , जतुकर्णा महर्षिणः C_{02} , जकर्णो महर्षिणं K_{82}^{ac} , जंतुकर्णमहर्षिणा M, जतुकर्णा महर्षिण K_{41} , जतुकर्णमहर्षिणा E (74d) ॰मुनिः] Σ , ॰मुनि ME (75a) ॰हर्षेण | M, ०हर्षाय $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}K_{41}$, ०हर्षणाय E (75b) ०बुद्धये] Σ , ०बुद्धयः M

दश द्वे च सहस्राणि पुराणं सम्प्रकाशितम् । मानुषाणां हितार्थाय किं भूयः श्रोतुमिच्छसि ॥ १:७५॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे ब्रह्माण्डसंख्या नामाध्यायः प्रथमः ॥

⁷⁵d पुराणं सम्प्रकाशितम्] Σ , पुराण सम्प्रकाशितां C_{02} 75e मानुषाणां] Σ , मनुषाणां C_{45} , मानुषाना M • हितार्थाय] Σ , हित्यथाय M, हिताथिय K_{41} 75f भूयः] Σ , भूय ME Colophon: नामाध्यायः प्रथमः] Σ , नामाध्यायः प्रथमः श्लोक ७७ M, नाम प्रथमो ऽध्याय E

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विगतराग उवाच । श्रतं मया जनाग्रेण ब्रह्माण्डस्य तु निर्णयम् । प्रमाणं वर्णरूपं च संख्या तस्य समासतः ॥ २:१॥ शिवाण्डेति त्वया प्रोक्तो ब्रह्माण्डालयकीर्तितः । कीदृशं लक्षणं ज्ञेयं प्रमाणं तस्य वा कित ॥ २:२॥ कस्य वा लयनं ज्ञेयं प्रमाणं वात्र वासिनः । का वा तत्र प्रजा ज्ञेया को वा तत्र प्रजापतिः ॥ २:३ ॥

[शिवाण्डसंख्या]

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । शिवाण्डलक्षणं विप्र न त्वं प्रष्टुमिहाईसि । दैवतैरिप का शक्तिर्ज्ञातुं द्रष्टुं च तत्त्वतः ॥ २:४॥ अगम्यगमनं गृह्यं गृह्यादिप समुद्धितम् ।

5ab cf. LiP 1.21.71ab: नमो गुण्याय गुह्याय अगम्यगमनाय च

Witnesses used for this chapter: C₉₄ ff. 195v-197r, C₄₅ ff. 203v-204v, C₀₂ ff. 270r-270v (it breaks off at 2.21 and resumes at 3.30b), K_{82} ff. 3v-4v, K_{10} exp. 43 and 42 (sic!; it broke off at 1.60d and resumes at 2.23), K₇ ff. 211v-213r, P₅₇ f. 215 (only from 2.19cd), E pp. 585–588; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

⁽¹a) जनाग्रेण] Σ , जना $\stackrel{2}{\sim}$ C_{94} (2b) ब्रह्माण्डा॰] Σ , ब्रह्माण्ड E (2c) ज्ञेयं] Σ , ज्ञेया C_{02} 2d कित] Σ , कितः C_{02} 3a लयनं ज्ञेयं] Σ , लयनं C_{45} , लक्षणं ज्ञेयं E (3b) वासिनः] Σ , वासिरानः C_{45} (3c) का] em., को $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, िकं E • प्रजा ज्ञेया] Σ , प्र(जा) 1 या C_{94} 4b न त्वं] Σ , तत्वं E • ०ईसि] Σ , ०हिस K_7 (4c) दैवतै॰ | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, देवतै॰ $C_{02}K_{7}E$ • शक्तिर् | C_{94} , शक्ति $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$ (5a) अगम्यगमनं] Σ , अगम्यगगहनं C_{02} , अगम्यगगमनं K_7 (5b) गुह्या॰] K_7E , गुहा॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$ • समुद्धितं] Σ , सम्रद्धितं K_7 , समृद्धिदम् E

न प्रभुर्नेतरस्तत्र न दण्ड्यो न च दण्डकः ॥ २:५॥ न सत्यो नानृतस्तत्र सुशीलो नो दुःशीलवान् । नानृजुर्न च दिम्मत्वं न तृष्णा न च ईर्ष्यता ॥ २:६॥ न कोधो न च लोभो ऽस्ति न मानो ऽस्ति न सूयकः । ईर्ष्या द्वेषो न तत्रास्ति न शठो न च मत्सरः ॥ २:७॥ न व्याधिर्न जरा तत्र न शोको ऽस्ति न विक्कवः । नाधमः पुरुषस्तत्र नोत्तमो न च मध्यमः ॥ २:८॥ नोत्कृष्टो मानवस्तिस्मिन्स्रियश्चैव शिवालये । न निन्दा न प्रशंसास्ति मत्सरी पिशुनो न च ॥ २:९॥ गर्वदर्षं न तत्रास्ति कूरमायादिकं तथा । याचमानो न तत्रास्ति दाता चैव न विद्यते ॥ २:१०॥

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अनर्थी व्रज तत्रस्थः कल्पवृक्षसमाश्रितः । न कर्म नाप्रियस्तत्र न किलः कलहो न च ॥ २:११ ॥ द्वापरो न च न त्रेता कृतं चापि न विद्यते । मन्वन्तरं न तत्रास्ति कल्पश्चैव न विद्यते ॥ २:१२ ॥ आहृतसम्प्रवं नास्ति ब्रह्मरात्रिदिनं तथा । न जन्ममरणं तत्र आपदं नाप्नुयात्कचित् ॥ २:१३ ॥ न चाशापाशबद्धो ऽस्ति रागमोहं न विद्यते । न देवा नासुरास्तत्र न यक्षोरगराक्षसाः ॥ २:१४ ॥ न भूता न पिशाचाश्च गन्ध्यवां ऋषयस्तथा । ताराग्रहं न तत्रास्ति नागिकंनरगारुडम् ॥ २:१५ ॥ न जपो नाह्निकस्तत्र नाग्निहोत्री न यज्ञकृत् । न व्रतं न तपश्चैव न तिर्यञ्चरकं तथा ॥ २:१६ ॥

16d cf. VSS 19.49cd: विसृष्टे त्विन्द्रियग्रामे तिर्यङ्गरकसाधनम्

¹¹a व्रज त०] Σ , व्रजस्त० K_7 11c कर्म ना०] em., कर्म न $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_7$, कर्मणा E 11d किलः] Σ , किल $K_7^{ac} E$ 12a च न त्रेता] Σ , च न त्रेता C_{94} , च त्रेता न C_{45} 12b कृतं चा०] $C_{02}K_{82}$, कृतश्चा० $C_{94}C_{45}K_7 E$ 12c मन्वन्तरं न तत्रास्ति] Σ , मन्वन्तरास्ति C_{02} , मन्वन्तरान्त तत्रास्ति K_7 12d कल्पश्चेव] Σ , कल्पं चैव K_{82} 13a आहृत०] Σ , आभूत० E 13b ब्रह्मरात्रिदिनं] Σ , ब्रह्मरात्रिदिनस् E 13c जन्ममरणं तत्र] $C_{02}K_{82}E$, जन्मरणं तत्र $C_{94}C_{45}$, जन्ममरणन्तत K_7 13d आपदं] Σ , अपदं E 14a चाशापाश०] $C_{45}K_7^{ec}$, च सायाश० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_7^{ec}E$ • ० बद्धो] Σ , ०द्धो C_{02} , ०वृद्धो E 14b ०मोहं] Σ , ०मोहो C_{94} 14c देवा] Σ , देवो C_{45} 15b गन्धवं] Σ , गन्धवं E 16a जपो] Σ , जयो C_{94} • नाहिकस्त०] Σ , नाहिक त० C_{45} 16d न तिर्यङ्गरकं] em., नातिर्यन्नरकस् $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$, नातिर्यनरकन् C_{45} , नातिर्यं नरकस् K_7 , न तीर्थन्नरकन् E

तस्येशानस्य देवस्य ऐश्वर्यगुणविस्तरम् । अपि वर्षशतेनापि शक्यं वक्तुं न केनचित् ॥ २:१७ ॥

हरेच्छाप्रभवाः सर्वे पर्यायेण ब्रवीमि ते । देवमानुषवर्ज्यानि वृक्षगुल्मलताद्यः ॥ २:१८॥

परार्धिद्वगुणोत्सेधो विस्तारश्च तथाविधः । अनेकाकारपुष्पाणि फलानि च मनोहरम् ॥ २:१९ ॥

अन्ये काञ्चनवृक्षाणि मणिवृक्षाण्यथापरे । प्रवालमणिषण्डाश्च पद्मरागरुहाणि च ॥ २:२०॥

स्वादुमूलफलाः स्कन्धलताविटपपादपाः । कामरूपाश्च ते सर्वे कामदाः कामभाषिणः ॥ २:२१॥

तत्र विप्र प्रजाः सर्वे अनन्तगुणसागराः ।

तुल्यरूपबलाः सर्वे सूर्यायुतसमप्रभाः ॥ २:२२ ॥

¹⁷b cf. MBh Suppl. 14.4.2743 : ऐश्वर्यगुणसंपन्नाः कीडन्ति च यथासुखम्, and BrahmāṇḍaP 1.26.1 : महादेवस्य महात्म्यं प्रभुत्वं च महात्मनः । श्रोतुमिच्छामहे सम्यगैश्वर्यगुणविस्त-रम् ॥

¹⁹cd In P_{57} , verses 2.19cd-21ab are written in the top margin in red and in a different hand. 21c After कामरू॰, C_{02} has two folios missing (ff. 271-272) and resumes only at 3.30b

¹⁸a हरेच्छाप्रभवाः] K_7 , हरेच्छप्रभवाः $C_\Sigma K_{82}$, हरेच्छाप्रभवा E 18c वर्ज्यांनि] Σ , वज्ज्ञांनि E 19a ०गुणोत्सेधो] $\operatorname{conj.}$, ०गुणोच्छेधा $\operatorname{C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7}$, ०गुणोच्छेधा $\operatorname{C_{02}}$, ०गुणाच्छेधा E 19b विस्तारश्च] K_7 , विस्तारं च $\operatorname{C}_\Sigma K_{82}E$ • ०विधः] K_7 , ०विधा $\operatorname{C}_\Sigma K_{82}E$ 19c अनेकाकार०] Σ , अनेकार० $\operatorname{C_{94}}$, काकार० $\operatorname{P_{57}}$ 20a अन्ये] Σ , बहु० E 20c षण्डाश्च] Σ , घण्टाश्च E 20d ० रुहाणि] $\operatorname{C_{02}}$, ० रुहानि $\operatorname{C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7P_{57}}$, ० सहानि E 21a स्वादृ०] Σ , स्वाधु० $\operatorname{C_{94}}$ • ०मूल०] Σ , ०मूला $\operatorname{K_{82}}$ • ० फलाः] $\operatorname{conj.}$, ०फला $\operatorname{C}_\Sigma K_{82}K_7P_{57}E$ 21b स्कन्ध०] $\operatorname{conj.}$, स्कन्द० $\operatorname{C}_\Sigma K_{82}K_7E$, स्क \cong $\operatorname{P_{57}}$ • ०पाः] Σ , ०पा $\operatorname{P_{57}}$ 22c ० बलाः] Σ , ०वराः E

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परार्धद्वयविस्तारं परार्धद्वयमायतम् । परार्धद्वयविक्षेपं योजनानां द्विजोत्तम ॥ २:२३ ॥

ऐश्वर्यत्वं न संख्यास्ति बलशक्तिश्च भो द्विज । अधोर्ध्वो न च संख्यास्ति न तिर्यञ्चेति कश्चन ॥ २:२४ ॥

शिवाण्डस्य च विस्तारमायामं च न वेद्यहम् । भोगमक्षय तत्रैव जन्ममृत्युर्न विद्यते ॥ २:२५ ॥

शिवाण्डमध्यमाश्रित्य गोक्षीरसदृशप्रभाः । परार्धपरकोटीनामीशानानां स्मृतालयः ॥ २:२६॥

बालसूर्यप्रभाः सर्वे ज्ञेयास्तत्पुरुषालये । परार्घपरकोटीनां पूर्वस्यां दिशमाश्रिताः ॥ २:२७॥

भिन्नाञ्जनप्रभाः सर्वे दक्षिणां दिशमाश्रिताः । परार्घपरकोटीनामघोरालयमाश्रिताः ॥ २:२८॥

²³b ०द्वय०] Σ , ०यद्वय० P_{57}^{ac} 23c ०द्वय०] Σ , ०द्व० K_{82}^{ac} , ०य० P_{57} • विक्षेपं] em., विक्षेपा $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$, विक्षेपा E 23d ०त्तम] Σ , ०त्तमः E_{82} 24b बलशक्तिश्च भो द्विज] Σ , ०m. E_{82}^{ac} , तव शक्तिश्च भो द्विज E 24c अधोर्ध्वो न संख्यास्ति] Σ , ०m. E_{82}^{ac} 24d न तिर्यञ्चेति कश्चन] $E_{82}^{pc}K_{7}P_{57}$, न तिर्यञ्चेति कश्चन $E_{94}^{ac}C_{45}K_{10}E$, न तिर्यं चेति कश्चन E_{82}^{ac} 25c भोगमक्षय त०] em., भोगमक्षयस्त० $E_{94}^{ac}C_{45}E_{82}^{ac}E_{10}E_{7}^{ac}E_{7}^{a$

कुन्देन्दुहिमशैलाभाः पश्चिमां दिशमाश्रिताः । परार्घपरकोटीनां सद्यमिष्टालयः स्मृतः ॥ २:२९॥

कुङ्कमोदकसंकाशा उत्तरां दिशमाश्रिताः ।

परार्घपरकोतीनां वामदेवालयः स्मृतः ॥ २:३०॥

ईशानस्य कलाः पञ्च वऋस्यापि चतुष्कलाः । अघोरस्य कला अष्टौ वामदेवास्त्रयोदश ॥ २:३१ ॥

सद्यश्राष्ट्रौ कला ज्ञेयाः संसारार्णवतारकाः ।

अप्टित्रंशत्कला ह्येताः कीर्तिता द्विजसत्तम ॥ २:३२॥

संख्या वर्णा दिशश्चेव एकैकस्य पृथक्पृथक् । पूर्वोक्तेन विधानेन बोधव्यास्तत्त्वचिन्तकेः ॥ २:३३ ॥

शिवाण्डगमनाकृष्ट्या शिवयोगं सदाभ्यसेत् । शिवयोगं विना विप्र तत्र गन्तुं न शक्यते ॥ २:३४ ॥

³¹ cf. Ātmārthapūjāpaddhati 276cd—277ab : ईशानस्य कलाः पञ्च पुरुषस्य चतुष्कलाः ॥ अघोरास्य कलाश् चाष्टौ वामदेवेन त्रयोदश । 32 cf. Ātmārthapūjāpaddhati 277cd : अष्टौ सद्यकला ज्ञेया मकुटादिकमान् न्यसेत्

²⁹b पश्चिमां] Σ , पश्चिमा C_{45} • दिश॰] Σ , दिशि॰ K_7 • ०शिताः] Σ , ०शिता E 29d सद्यमिष्टा॰] Σ , सद्यमिष्टा॰ K_{82} • स्मृतः] Σ , स्मृताः C_{45} 30b उत्तरां] Σ , उत्तरा C_{45} • दिशम्] Σ , दिशिम् C_{94} 30d ॰ लग्गः] Σ , ०लग्ग K_7 31a कलाः] Σ , कला E 31b चतुष्कलाः] Σ , चतुष्तके E 31d वामदेवा॰] Σ , वामदेव॰ K_{10} 32a होयाः] Σ , होया E 32b संसारा॰] Σ , संसा॰ C_{45}^{ac} 32c ॰ त्रिंशत्क॰] P_{57} , ॰ त्रिंशक॰ $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ • होताः] Σ , होयाः E 32d ॰ सत्मम] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}^{ac}$, ॰ सत्तमः $K_{10}P_{57}^{ac}E$ 33a संख्या वर्णा] $C_{45}K_{7}P_{57}$, संख्या वर्णा $C_{94}K_{10}$, संख्या वर्णा K_{82} , संख्या वर्णा E 33b एकेकस्य] Σ , ऐकेकस्य $C_{45}K_{82}$ 33d बोधव्यास्त॰] em., बोधव्या त॰ $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}E$ 34a ॰ कृष्टा] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}E$, कृष्टा $K_{82}K_{7}$, (कृष्ट्या) P_{57} 34b योगं सदाभ्यसेत्] Σ , योग समभ्यसेत् K_{10} 34c ॰ योगं] Σ , ॰ योग E

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अश्वमेधादियज्ञानां कोट्यायुतशतानि च । कृच्छादितप सर्वाणि कृत्वा कल्पशतानि च । तत्र गन्तुं न शक्येत देवैरिप तपोधन ॥ २:३५ ॥ गङ्गादिसर्वतीर्थेषु स्नात्वा तत्वा च वै पुनः । तत्र गन्तुं न शक्येत ऋषिभिर्वा महात्मिभः ॥ २:३६ ॥ सप्तद्वीपसमुद्राणि रत्नपूर्णानि भो द्विज । दत्त्वा वा वेदविदुषे श्रद्धाभित्तसमन्वितः । तत्र गन्तुं न शक्येत विना ध्यानेन निश्चयः ॥ २:३७ ॥ स्वदेहान्मांसमुद्भृत्य दत्त्वार्थिभ्यश्च निश्चयात् । स्वदारपुत्रसर्वस्वं शिरो ऽर्थिभ्यश्च यो ददेत् । न तत्र गन्तुं शक्येत अन्यैर्वापि सुदुष्करैः ॥ २:३८ ॥ यज्ञतीर्थतपोदानवेदाध्ययनपारगः । बह्माण्डान्तस्य भोगांस्तु भुङ्के कालवशानुगः ॥ २:३९ ॥ वह्माण्डान्तस्य भोगांस्तु भुङ्के कालवशानुगः ॥ २:३९ ॥

37ab cf. ŚDhU 2.104: त्रिः प्रदत्वा महीं पूर्णां...

³⁵c ०तप] E, ०तपः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$ (unmetr.) 35e राक्येत] Σ , राक्येत C_{45} , राक्येत E 35f देवै०] Σ , देवे० K_7 • ०धन] Σ , ०धनम् C_{45} 36c गन्तुं] Σ , गन्तु $K_{10}K_7$ • राक्येत] Σ , राक्यन्ते E 37a ०द्वीप०] Σ , ०दीप० K_7 • ०समुद्राणि] Σ , ०समुद्राय K_{10} 37e गन्तुं] Σ , गन्तु K_{10} , गंन्तु K_7 • राक्येत] Σ , राक्यन्ते E 38a स्वदेहान्मांस०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, स्वदेहात्मांस० K_7P_{57} , स्वदेहात्मां स० E 38c ०स्वं] Σ , ०स्व K_{10} 38e न तत्र गन्तुं] Σ , न तत्र गन्तुं न C_{45} 38f ०दुष्करैः] Σ , ०दुष्कृतः K_{10} 39a ०दान०] Σ , ०दानं K_{82} , ०दाने K_{10} 39b ०पारगः] Σ , ०पारगाः $C_{94}K_{10}$ 39c ब्रह्माण्डान्तस्य भोगास्तु] Σ , ब्रह्माण्डान्तस्य भोगास्तु K_{10}

कालेन समप्रेष्येण धर्मो याति परिक्षयम् । अलातचक्रवत्सर्वं कालो याति परिभ्रमन् । त्रैकाल्यकलनात्कालस्तेन कालः प्रकीर्तितः ॥ २:४० ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे शिवाण्डसंख्या नामाध्यायो द्वितीयः ॥

 $oxed{40b}$ धर्मों] Σ , धर्में K_7 $oxed{40e}$ ॰कलनात्काल॰] Σ , ॰कलना काल॰ K_{10} $oxed{Colophon}$: नामाध्यायो द्वितीयः] Σ , नामाध्याय द्वितीयः K_{10} , नाम द्वितीयो ऽध्यायः E

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[धर्मप्रवचनम्]

विगतराग उवाच ।

किमर्थं धर्ममित्याहुः कतिमूर्तिश्च कीर्त्यते ।

कतिपादवृषो ज्ञेयो गतिस्तस्य कति स्मृताः ॥ ३:१॥

कौतूहलं ममोत्पन्नं संशयं छिन्धि तत्त्वतः ।

कस्य पुत्रो मुनिश्रेष्ठ प्रजास्तस्य कति स्मृताः ॥ ३:२ ॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । धृतिरित्येष धातुर्वै पर्यायः परिकीर्तितः । आधारणान्महत्त्वाच धर्म इत्यभिधीयते ॥ ३:३॥

3cd cf. LiP 1.10.12cd-13ab : धारणार्थे महान्ह्येष धर्मशब्दः प्रकीर्तितः ॥ अधारणे ऽमहत्त्वे च अधर्म इति चोच्यते । 3 cf. BrahmāṇḍaP 1.32.29 : धारणार्थो धृतिश्चेव धातुः शब्दे प्रकीर्तितः । अधारणामहत्त्वे च अधर्म इति चोच्यते ॥ cf. VāyuP 1.59.28 : धारणा धृतिरित्यर्थाद्धातोर्धर्मः प्रकीर्तितः । अधारणे ऽमहत्त्वे च अधर्म इति चोच्यते ॥ cf. MatsyaP 145.27 : धर्मेति धारणे धातुर्महत्वे चैव उच्यते । आधारणे महत्त्वे वा धर्मः स तु निरुच्यते ।

Witnesses used for this chapter : P_{57} exp. 215r-215v (breaks off after 3.14d and resumes at 4.8a), C_{94} ff. 197r-198v, C_{45} ff. 204v-206r, C_{02} ff. 273r-273v (broke off at 2.21 and resumes at 3.30b), K_{82} ff. 4v-6r, K_{10} exp. 42, 47 (upper), 48 (lower), K_7 ff. 213r-214v, T_{82} f. 272 (only), E pp. 588-591; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

श्रुतिस्मृतिद्वयोर्मूर्तिश्चतुष्पादवृषः स्थितः । चतुराश्रम यो धर्मः कीर्तितानि मनीषिभिः ॥ ३:४॥

गतिश्च पञ्च विज्ञेयाः शृणु धर्मस्य भो द्विज । देवमानुषतिर्यं च नरकस्थावरादयः ॥ ३:५॥

ब्रह्मणो हृद्यं भित्त्वा जातो धर्मः सनातनः । तस्य पत्नी महाभागा त्रयोदश सुमध्यमाः ॥ ३:६॥

दक्षकन्या विशालाक्षी श्रद्धाद्या सुमनोहराः । तस्य पुत्राश्च पौत्राश्च अनेकाश्च बभूव ह । एष धर्मनिसर्गो ऽयं किं भूयः श्रोतुमिच्छसि ॥ ३:७॥

⁴ cf. VSS 4.74 below: चतुष्पादः स्मृतो धर्मश्चतुराश्रममाश्रितः । गृहस्थो ब्रह्मचारी च वानप्रस्थो Sथ मैक्षुकः ॥ 6ab cf. DeviP 4.59cd: ब्रह्मणो हृदयाज्ञातः पुत्रो धर्म इति स्मृतः ● cf. also MBh 1.60.40ab: ब्रह्मणो हृद्यं भित्त्वा निःसृतो भगवान्भृगुः

 $[\]overline{\text{5ab}}$ The first available folio of the VSS in T_{82} (f. 272) starts here. C_{45} reads here गतिश्व पौत्राश्च अनेकाश्च बभूव ह, skipping to 3.7cd, omitting 3.5–7ab.

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विगतराग उवाच । धर्मपत्नी विशेषेण पुत्रस्तेभ्यः पृथक्पृथक् । श्रोतुमिच्छामि तत्त्वेन कथयस्व तपोधन ॥ ३:८॥ अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । श्रद्धा लक्ष्मीर्घृतिस्तुष्टिः पुष्टिर्मेधा किया लज्जा । बुद्धिः शान्तिर्वपुः कीर्तिः सिद्धिः प्रसूतिसम्भवाः ॥ ३:९॥

श्रद्धा कामः सुतो जातो दर्पो लक्ष्मीसुतः स्मृतः । धृत्यास्तु नियमः पुत्रः संतोषस्तुष्टिजः स्मृतः ॥ ३:१०॥

पुष्ट्या लाभः सुतो जातो मेधापुत्रः श्रुतस्तथा । कियायास्त्वभवत्पुत्रो दण्डः समय एव च ॥ ३:११ ॥

¹⁰ See a passage similar to VSS 3.10-13, e.g., in KūP $1.8.20~\mathrm{ff.}$: श्रद्धाया आत्मजः कामो दर्पो लक्ष्मीसुतः स्मृतः । धृत्यास्तु नियमः पुत्रस्तुष्ट्याः संतोष उच्यते ॥ पुष्ट्या लाभः सुतश्चापि मेधापुत्रः श्रुतस्तथा । क्रियायाश्चाभवत्पुत्रो दण्डः समय एव च ॥ बुद्धा बोधः सुतस्तद्वद्रप्रमादो व्यजायत । लज्जाया विनयः पुत्रो वपुषो व्यवसायकः ॥ क्षेमः शान्तिसुतश्चापि सुखं सिद्धिरजायत । यशः कीर्तिसुतस्तद्वदित्येते धर्मसूनवः ॥ कामस्य हर्षः पुत्रो ऽभृद्देवानन्दो व्यजायत । इत्येष वै सुखोद्किः सर्गो धर्मस्य कीर्तितः ॥ $11cd \approx \mathrm{LiP}~1.70.295$ ab :िकयायामभवत्पुत्रो दण्डः समय एव च $\frac{1}{2}$ $\approx \mathrm{K}$ $\mathrm{UP}~1.8.22$ cd :िकयायाश्चाभवत्पुत्रो दण्डः समय एव च $\mathrm{UP}~1.5.37$: धर्मस्य वै कियायां त दण्डः समय एव च

⁸ विगतराग उवाच] $C_{45}K_{82}^{pc}K_7T_{82}E$, विगतराग उ $P_{57}C_{94}K_{10}$, om. K_{82}^{ac} 9a लक्ष्मीर्धृतिस्तुष्टिः] C_{94} , लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टिः $P_{57}K_7T_{82}$, लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टिः K_{62}^{ac} , लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टिः K_{82}^{ac} , लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टिः K_{10}^{ac} , लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टिः K_{92}^{ac} , लक्ष्मी धृति तुष्टिः K_{10}^{ac} , लक्ष्मी धृतिस्तुष्टि E_{9b} पुष्टिर्मे॰] Σ , पुष्टि मे॰ $T_{82}E$ • लजा] Σ , लजा K_{82} 9c बुद्धिः] Σ , बुद्धि C_{94} 9d सिद्धिः प्रसूतिसम्भवाः] conj., सिद्धिश्चाभूतिसम्भवाः P_{57} , सिद्धिश्चाभूतिसम्भवा $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, सिद्धिश्चातिसम्भवा C_{45} , सि--- संभवा T_{82} , सिद्धिश्च भूतिसम्भवा E 10a कामः] K_{82} , काम॰ $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7T_{82}$, धर्म॰ E 11a लाभः] Σ , लाभ॰ $K_{82}E$ • जातो] Σ , om. P_{57} 11b ॰ पुत्रः] em., ॰ पुत्र $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7T_{82}E$ • श्रुत॰] Σ , श्रुति॰ P_{57} , श्रत॰ C_{45} 11c त्वभवत्पुत्रो] em., त्वभयः पुत्रो $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7T_{82}$, तूभयः पुत्रौ E 11d दण्डः] corr., दण्डे $C_{94}K_{82}^{ac}$ दण्ड॰ $P_{57}K_{82}^{pc}K_{10}$ $K_7T_{82}E$, दण्डो C_{45} • च] Σ , तु $T_{82}E$

लज्जाया विनयः पुत्रो बुद्धा बोधःसुतः स्मृतः । लज्जायाः सुधियः पुत्र अप्रमादश्च तावुभौ ॥ ३:१२ ॥ क्षेमः शान्तिसुतो विन्द्याद्धवसायो वपोः सुतः । यशः कीर्तिसुतो ज्ञेयः सुखं सिद्धेर्व्यजायत । स्वायम्भुवे ऽन्तरे त्वासन्कीर्तिता धर्मसूनवः ॥ ३:१३ ॥ विगतराग उवाच । मूर्तिद्वयं कथं धर्मं कथयस्व तपोधन । कौत्हलमतीवं मे कर्तय ज्ञानसंशयम् ॥ ३:१४ ॥ अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । श्रुतिस्मृतिद्वयोम्र्तिर्धर्मस्य परिकीर्तिता ।

14c In P_{57} , folio 215v ends with कौत्हलमती and the next available folio side (217r) starts with त्यिमप्टगतिः प्रोक्तं in 4.8a. Thus one folio (f. 216), containing 3.14d–4.7, is missing.

¹²a लजाया विनयः] Σ , लजायाः विनय॰ E 12b सुतः स्मृतः] Σ , सुतः \cong C_{94} , सुतःस्तथा C_{45} 12c लजायाः] Σ , ... T_{82} • सुधियः] $T_{82}E$, सुधिय $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ • पुत्र] Σ , पुत्रः E 12d अप्रमाद॰] Σ , अप्रमादा॰ K_{82} 13b वपोः] Σ , वपो K_{82} 13d सिद्धे॰] $P_{57}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, सिद्धि $C_{94}K_7T_{82}E$ • व्यजायत] $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, व्यजायते $K_{10}T_{82}E$, व्यजायतः K_7 13e स्वायम्भुवे] $P_{57}C_{94}K_{82}K_7T_{82}$, स्वायम्भुवे C_{45} , स्वयम्भुवे $K_{10}E$ • उन्तरे त्वासन्] conj., उन्तरे त्वासि $P_{57}C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}T_{82}$, उन्तरे त्वासीत् K_{10} , उन्तरे त्वासं K_7 , उन्तरे त्वासि E 14a धर्म] Σ , द्यमं K_7 , धर्मः E 14b ॰ धन] Σ , ॰ धनः T_{82} 14c कौत्इलमतीवं मे] Σ , कोत्इलमतीवं मे C_{45} , ... लम्मतीवम्मे T_{82} 14d कर्तय] em., कीर्तय $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$, कीर्तिय T_{82} • ॰ संशयम्] Σ , ॰ संशयः $C_{45}K_{10}T_{82}$ 15a श्रुति॰] Σ , श्रुतिः $C_{45}E$ 15ab ॰ द्वयोर्मूर्तिधं॰] C_{94} , ॰ द्वयो मूर्ति ध॰ $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, कीर्त्तताः K_7T_{82}

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दाराग्निहोत्रसम्बन्ध इज्या श्रौतस्य लक्षणम् । स्मार्तो वर्णाश्रमाचारो यमैश्च नियमैर्युतः ॥ ३:१५॥

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यमश्च नियमश्चैव द्वयोर्भेदमतः शृणु । अहिंसा सत्यमस्तेयमानृशंस्यं दमो घृणा । धन्याप्रमादो माधुर्यमार्जवं च यमा दश ॥ ३:१६ ॥

एकैकस्य पुनः पञ्चभेदमाहुर्मनीषिणः । अहिंसादि प्रवक्ष्यामि शृणुष्वावहितो द्विज ॥ ३:१७॥

¹⁵cd cf. Manu 3.171ab :दाराग्निहोत्रसंयोगं कुरुते यो ऽग्रजे स्थिते; and also MatsyaP 142.41 : दाराग्निहोत्रसम्बन्धमृग्यजुःसामसंहिताः । इत्यादिबहुलं श्रौतं धर्मं सप्तर्षयो ऽन्नुवन् ॥ 15c—f \approx MBh Suppl. 1.36.10 : दानाग्निहोत्रमिज्या च श्रौतस्यैतद्धि लक्षणम् । स्मार्तो वर्णाश्रमाचारो यमैश्च नियमैर्युतः ॥ \approx MatsyaP 145.30cd—31ab : दाराग्निहोत्रसम्बन्धमिज्या श्रौतस्य लक्षणम् । स्मार्तो वर्णाश्रमाचारो यमैश्च नियमैर्युतः ॥ \approx BrahmāṇḍaP 1.32.33cd—34ab : दाराग्निहोत्रसम्बन्धाद् द्विधा श्रौतस्य लक्षणम् । स्मार्तो वर्णाश्रमाचारैर्यमैः स नियमैः स्मृतः ॥ 16cd \approx MBh 12.8.17ab : अहिंसा सत्यवचनमानृशंस्यं दमो घृणा 16 \approx VDhU 3.233.203 : आनृशंस्यं क्षमा सत्यमहिंसा च दमः स्पृहा । ध्यानं प्रसादो माधुर्यं चार्जवं च यमा दश ॥

¹⁵cd ०वन्ध इ०] $K_{10}E$, ०वद्ध इ० $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7T_{82}$ 15d श्रौतस्य] em., श्रोतस्य $C_{94}C_{45}K_7T_{82}$, श्रोत्रस्य K_{82} , स्रोत्रस्य K_{10} , श्रुतस्य E 15e स्मार्तो] em., स्मार्त $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7T_{82}E$ 16a नियम०] Σ , नियमै० K_{82} 16b ह्रयोभेंदमतः] Σ , द्वयो---मतः T_{82} 16d ०मानृशंस्यं] em., ०मनृशंस्यो $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}T_{82}E$, ०मानृशंस्या K_7 16e धन्या०] E, धन्यः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$, ध्यन्यं $C_{82}K_{82}K_{10}T_{82}E$, ०मानृशंस्य $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ 16f ०र्जवं च] Σ , ०र्जव(श्रा) T_{82} , ०र्जवश्र E 17b ०माहुमै०] Σ , ०माहु म० K_7 17d श्रुणुष्टा०] Σ , श्रुणुष्टा० $K_{82}K_{10}$

[यमेष्वहिंसा (१)]

[पञ्चविधा हिंसा]
त्रासनं ताडनं बन्धो मारणं वृत्तिनाशनम् ।
हिंसां पञ्चविधामाहुर्मुनयस्तत्त्वद्रिंगनः ॥ ३:१८ ॥
काष्ठलोष्टकशाद्यैस्तु ताडयन्तीह निर्द्याः ।
तत्प्रहारविभिन्नाङ्गो मृतवध्यमवाग्नयात् ॥ ३:१९ ॥
बद्धा पादौ भुजोरश्च शिरोरुक्कण्ठपाशिताः ।
अनाहता म्रियन्त्येवं वधो बन्धनजः स्मृतः ॥ ३:२० ॥
शत्रुचौरभयेघौरैः सिंहव्याघ्रगजोरगैः ।
त्रासनाद्वधमाप्नोति अन्यैर्वापि सुदुःसहैः ॥ ३:२१ ॥
यस्य यस्य हरेद्वित्तं तस्य तस्य वधः स्मृतः ।
वृत्तिजीवाभिभूतानां तद्वारा निहतः स्मृतः ॥ ३:२२ ॥

¹⁸a बन्यो] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, बद्धो $K_{10}T_{82}$, बन्य E 18c हिंसां] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$, हिंसा $C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, विधा C_{94} , विधानाहुर्मुं C_{94} , विधानाहु

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विषविह्वशरशस्त्रैर्मायायोगबलेन वा । हिंसकान्याहु विप्रेन्द्र मुनयस्तत्त्वदर्शिनः ॥ ३:२३॥

[अहिंसाप्रशंसा] अहिंसा परमं धर्मं यस्त्यजेत्स दुरात्मवान् । क्केशायासविनिर्मुक्तं सर्वधर्मफलप्रदम् ॥ ३:२४॥

नातः परतरो मूर्खो नातः परतरं तमः ।

नातः परतरं दुःखं नातः परतरो ऽयशः ॥ ३:२५॥

नातः परतरं पापं नातः परतरं विषम् ।

नातः परतराविद्या नातः परतरो ऽधनः ॥ ३:२६ ॥

यो हिनस्ति न भूतानि उद्भिजादि चतुर्विधम् । स भवेत्पुरुषः श्रेष्ठः सर्वभूतदयान्वितः ॥ ३:२७॥

सर्वभूतद्यां नित्यं यः करोति स पण्डितः ।

स यज्वा स तपस्वी च स दाता स दृढवतः ॥ ३:२८॥

अहिंसा परमं तीर्थमहिंसा परमं तपः ।

अहिंसा परमं दानमिहंसा परमं सुखम् ॥ ३:२९ ॥ अहिंसा परमो यज्ञः अिहंसा परमं व्रतम् । अहिंसा परमं ज्ञानमिहंसा परमा किया ॥ ३:३० ॥ अहिंसा परमं शौचमिहंसा परमो दमः । अहिंसा परमो लाभः अिहंसा परमं यशः ॥ ३:३१ ॥ अहिंसा परमो धर्मः अिहंसा परमा गितः । अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म अिहंसा परमः शिवः ॥ ३:३२ ॥ [मांसाहारः] मांसाशनान्निवर्तेत मनसापि न काङ्क्षयेत् ।

स महत्फलमाप्नोति यस्तु मांसं विवर्जयेत् ॥ ३:३३ ॥

29 This and the following verses are similar to MBh 13.117.37–38

²⁹d C_{02} resumes here in exp. 189, f. 273r (sic!) with रमं सुखम. T_{82} breaks off here, in pāda d, after र्श्हिंसा पर. 31cd After pādas cd, E inserts this: अहिंसा परमा कीर्ति अहिंसा परमो दमः, which is not to be found in $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} K_7$ (or in paper MS K_{41})

³⁰a यज्ञः] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}E$, यज्ञर् C_{94} , यज्ञ $K_{82}K_7$ 30c परमं] Σ , परमो E 30d परमा] Σ , परमां K_{10} 31ab (अहिंसा... दमः)] Σ , om. E 31c लाभः] K_7 , लाभ $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}E$, लाभो C_{02} 31d परमं] Σ , परमा K_{82} 32a धर्मः] $K_{82}K_7$, धर्म $C_{94}C_{45}E$, धर्मो C_{02} , धर्ी. K_{10} 32b अहिंसा परमा गितः] Σ , औहंसा परमो गितः E 32c अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म] Σ , (अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म) E, (अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म) E, (अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म) E, अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म E, (अहिंसा परमं ब्रह्म) E, (अहिंसा परमं विंद्य) E, (अहिंसा परमं वि

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स्वमांसं परमांसेन यो वर्धियतुमिच्छति । अनभ्यर्च्य पितृन्देवान्न ततो ऽन्यो ऽस्ति पापकृत् ॥ ३:३४ ॥ मधुपर्के च यज्ञे च पितृदैवतकर्मणि । अत्रैव पश्चवो हिंस्या नान्यत्र मनुरब्रवीत् ॥ ३:३५ ॥ कीत्वा स्वयं वाप्युत्पाद्य परोपहृतमेव वा । देवान्पितृंश्चार्चियत्वा खादन्मांसं न दोषभाक् ॥ ३:३६ ॥ वेदयज्ञतपस्तीर्थदानशीलिकयाव्रतैः । मांसाहारनिवृत्तानां षोडशांशं न पूर्यते ॥ ३:३७ ॥ मृगाः पर्णतृणाहारादजमेषगवादिभिः । सखिनो बलवन्तश्च विचरन्ति महीतले ॥ ३:३८ ॥

 $³⁴ab = MBh\ 13.116.14ab\ and\ 13.116.34ab\ \approx UUMS\ 2.48cd$: स्वमांसं परमांसेन यो देहे वृद्धिमिच्छित $34\ \approx Manu\ 5.52\ (Olivelle's\ edition)$: स्वमांसं परमांसेन यो वर्धियतु-मिच्छित । अनभ्यर्च्य पितृन्देवान्न ततो ऽन्यो स्त्यपुण्यकृत् ॥ $35\ \approx Manu\ 5.41\ (Olivelle's\ edition)$: मधुपर्के च यज्ञे च पितृदैवतकर्मणि । अत्रैव पशवो हिंस्या नान्यत्रेत्यब्रवीन्मनुः ॥ $36=Manu\ 5.32\ (in\ Olivelle's\ critical\ edition\ ;\ other\ editions\ read\ परोपकृत<math>\circ$ in pāda b)

³⁴a ०मांसेन] Σ , ०मांसेन K_7 34b वर्धयितु०] Σ , वर्द्धयित K_{10} 34c पितॄन्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, पितृन् $C_{02}E$, (पितॄन्) K_{10} 34d ततो ऽन्यो] Σ , तद्न्यो E 35b ०दैवत०] Σ , ०देवत० $C_{02}K_{10}$ 35c अत्रैव पशवो हिंस्या] $C_{94}C_{02}K_7E$, अत्रैव पशवो हिंस्या C_{45} , अत्रैव पशवो C_{45} , अत्रैव पशवो C_{45} , अत्रैव पशवो C_{45} , अत्रैव पशवो C_{45} , पण्णि $C_{$

वानराः फलमाहारा राक्षसा रुधिरप्रियाः । निहृता राक्षसाः सर्वे वानरैः फलभोजिभिः ॥ ३ :३९ ॥

तस्मान्मांसं न हीहेत बलकामेन भो द्विज । बलेन च गुणाकर्षात्परतो भयभीरुणा ॥ ३:४०॥

अहिंसकसमो नास्ति दानयज्ञसमीहया । इह लोके यशः कीर्तिः परत्र च परा गतिः ॥ ३:४१ ॥

त्रैलोक्यं मणिरत्नपूर्णमिखलं दत्त्वोत्तमे ब्राह्मणे कोटीयज्ञसहस्रपद्ममयुतं दत्त्वा महीं दक्षिणाम् । तीर्थानां च सहस्रकोटिनियुतं स्नात्वा सकृन्मानव एतत्पुण्यफलमहिंसकजनः प्राप्नोति निःसंशयः ॥ ३:४२ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे अहिंसाप्रशंसा नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः ॥

⁴²a ŚDhŚ 11.91: त्रैलोक्यमिप यो दद्यादेखिलं रत्नपूरितम् । चरेत्तपांसि सर्वाणि न तत्तुल्यमिहं-सया ॥

³⁹ab ०हारा रा०] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, ०हाराद्रा० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{7}E$ 39d ०भोजिभिः] Σ , ०भोगिभिः E 40a मांसं] Σ , मासं K_{7} 40b हीहेत] Σ , हीयेत K_{82} K_{10} 40c गुणाकर्षा०] conj. Törzsök, गुणाकाशा० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, गुणा कुर्या० E 41b ०यज्ञसमीहया] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, ०धर्मसमीहया C_{02} , ०यज्ञसमीहयाः K_{7} , ०धर्मसमीहय E 41c यशः] Σ , य(शं) C_{02} 41d परा गतिः] $C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}$, (परा गतिः) C_{94} , पराङ्गतिम् $C_{45}K_{10}$, परां गतिः E 42a त्रैलोक्यं] Σ , त्रैलोक्य K_{10} • अखिलं दत्त्वोत्तमे ब्राह्मणे E 30 कोटीयज्ञसहस्रपद्मम्] E 30 (खिलं) E 20 कोटि • महीं] E 42d ०फलमिहंस०] E 42b कोटीयज्ञसहस्रपद्मम्] E 31 काटि • द्वात्वा] E 32 काटि • दिश्व • महीं] E 42d ०फलमिहंस० नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः] E 31 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः] E 42d ०फलमिहंस० नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः] E 32 नामाध्यायस्तृतीय E 33 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः E 34 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः] E 35 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः E 64 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः] E 35 नामाध्यायस्तृतीयः E 64 काटि 47 नामस्तृतीयो

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अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।

सद्भावः सत्यमित्याहुर्दृष्टप्रत्ययमेव वा ।

यथाभूतार्थकथनं तत्सत्यकथनं स्मृतम् ॥ ४:१॥

आकोशताडनादीनि यः सहेत सुदुःसहम् ।

क्षमते यो जितात्मा तु स च सत्यमुदाहृतम् ॥ ४:२ ॥

वधार्थमुद्यतः शस्त्रं यदि पृच्छेत कर्हिचित् । न तत्र सत्यं वक्तव्यमनृतं सत्यमुच्यते ॥ ४:३॥

1a pprox MBh 12.288.45d : सद्भावः सत्यमुच्यते cf. also BrahmāṇḍaP 3.3.86ab : असद्भावो ऽनृतं ज्ञेयं सद्भावः सत्यमुच्यते 1cd cf. ŚDhŚ 11.105 : स्वानुभूतं स्वदृष्टं च यः पृष्टार्थं न गृहृति । यथाभूतार्थकथनमित्येतत्सत्यलक्षणम् ॥ 2 cf. ŚDhŚ 11.82 : आकुप्टस्ताडितो वापि यो नाकोशेन्न ताडयेत् । वागाद्यविकृतः स्वस्थं क्षान्तिरेषा सुनिर्मला ॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 198v–201v, C_{45} ff. 206r–208v, C_{02} ff. 273v–277r, K_{82} ff. 6r–9r, K_{10} exp. 48–50 (lower–upper), K_7 ff. 214v–217r, E pp. 591–597; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

¹a सद्भावः] Σ , सद्भाव॰ $K_{10}E$ 1ab सत्यिमित्याहुर्द०] $C_{45}K_{82}K_7E$, सत्य(िम)त्याहु ε ० C_{94} , सत्यिमित्याहु ε 0 C_{02} , सत्यिमित्याहुर्द० K_{10} 0 अत्यय०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$ K_{10} , ॰प्रत्य॰ C_{02} , ॰प्रत्ये॰ K_7 , प्रत्यक्ष० E 1c यथाभृतार्थकथनं] Σ , यथाभृतार्थ C_{02}^{ac} , यथाभृतार्थनं क्त C_{02}^{cc} 1d तत्सत्यकथनं] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$, तत्सत्यकथकं C_{45} , कथनं स्मृतं C_{02}^{ac} , (सत्यक ज)कथनं स्मृतं C_{02}^{pc} 2a ॰ताडना॰] Σ , ॰नाडना॰ C_{45} 2b सुदुःसहम्] Σ , सुदुसहं C_{02} 2d सत्यमुदाहृतम्] Σ , (सत्य) मु(दा)हृतम् C_{94} 3a ॰दातः] Σ , ॰दात K_{82} • शस्त्रं] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, सत्य $C_{45}E$, शस्त्र C_{02} 3b किहिचित्] $C_{\Sigma}E$, कहिचित् $K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ 3c सत्यं] Σ , सत्य $C_{45}E$

वधार्हः पुरुषः कश्चिद्वजेत्पथि भयातुरः । पृच्छतो ऽपि न वक्तव्यं सत्यं तद्वापि उच्यते ॥ ४:४॥

न नर्मयुक्तमनृतं हिनस्ति न स्त्रीषु राजन्न विवाहकाले । प्राणात्यये सर्वधनापहारे पञ्चानृतं सत्यमुदाहरन्ति ॥ ४:५॥

देवमानुषतिर्येषु सत्यं धर्मः परो यतः ।

सत्यं श्रेष्ठं वरिष्ठं च सत्यं धर्मः सनातनः ॥ ४:६॥

सत्यं सागरमव्यक्तं सत्यमक्षयभोगदम् ।

सत्यं पोतः परत्रार्थं सत्यं पन्थान विस्तरम् ॥ ४:७॥

सत्यमिष्टगतिः प्रोक्तं सत्यं यज्ञमनुत्तमम् ।

सत्यं तीर्थं परं तीर्थं सत्यं दानमनन्तकम् ॥ ४:८॥

^{5 ≈} MBh 1.77.16: न नर्मयुक्तं वचनं हिनस्ति न स्त्रीषु राजन्न विवाहकाले । प्राणात्यये सर्वध-नापहारे पञ्चानृतान्याहुरपातकानि ॥; MBh 12.159.28: न नर्मयुक्तं वचनं हिनस्ति न स्त्रीषु राजन्न विवाहकाले । न गुर्वर्थे नात्मनो जीवितार्थे पञ्चानृतान्याहुरपातकानि ॥; MatsyaP 31.16: न न-र्मयुक्तं वचनं हिनस्ति न स्त्रीषु राजन्न विवाहकाले । Abhidharmakośabhāṣya 24114-24117 (introduced by मोहजो मृषावादो यथाह): न नर्मयुक्तमनृतं हि नास्ति न स्त्रीषु राजन्न विवाहकाले । प्राणात्यये सर्वधनापहारे पञ्चानृतान्याहुरपातकानि ॥ etc.

⁴b ०तुरः] Σ , ०तुर C_{45} 4c पृच्छतो] Σ , पृच्छते E 4d तद्वापि] Σ , तद्दिप K_{10} 5a हिनस्ति] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}$, हि नास्ति $C_{02}K_{82}E$ 5b राजन्न] Σ , राज न C_{02} , राज्यं न K_{82} 5c ०त्यये] Σ , ०त्यजे K_{10} • ०पहारे] Σ , ०प्रहारे C_{02} K_{10} 6b ०मानुष०] Σ , ०मानुष्य० K_{7} • सत्यं धर्मः परो यतः] $C_{45}C_{02}$, सत्यं धर्मः पयतः C_{94} , सत्यं धर्म परो यतः $K_{82}K_{7}$, सत्यधर्म परो यतः K_{10} , सत्यधर्मपरायणः E 6c श्रेष्ठं] Σ , श्रेष्ठ $K_{10}E$ • विरष्ठं च] Σ , विरष्ठम्विरष्ठम्वश्च C_{45}^{ac} 6d सत्यं] Σ , सत्य० C_{45} K_{10} • धर्मः] Σ , धर्म $C_{02}E$ 7a सत्यं] Σ , सत्य C_{02} 7b सत्यमक्षयभोगदम्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, सत्यंमक्षयभोगदम् $C_{45}C_{02}$, सत्यमक्षयते नरं E 7c पोतः] Σ , पोत K_{82} , प्रोक्तः E 7d पन्थान विस्तरम्] Σ , यज्ज्ञानविस्तरम् E 8a ०ष्टगितः] Σ , ०(ष्टा)गितिः K_{10} 8c तीर्थं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$, तीर्थ $K_{10}K_{7}$, तीर्थात् E

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सत्यं शीलं तपो ज्ञानं सत्यं शौचं दमः शमः । सत्यं सोपानमूर्ध्वस्य सत्यं कीर्तिर्यशः सुखम् ॥ ४:९॥

अश्वमेधसहस्रं च सत्यं च तुलया धृतम् । अश्वमेधसहस्राद्धि सत्यमेव विशिष्यते ॥ ४:१० ॥

सत्येन तपते सूर्यः सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता । सत्येन वायवो वान्ति सत्ये तोयं च शीतलम् ॥ ४:११ ॥

तिष्ठन्ति सागराः सत्ये समयेन प्रियव्रतः । सत्ये तिष्ठति गोविन्दो बलिबन्धनकारणात् ॥ ४:१२॥

⁹c \approx VarP 193.36cd : सत्यं स्वर्गस्य सोपानं पारावारस्य नौरिव $10 = \text{MBh } 1.69.22 = \text{MBh Suppl. } 13.20.330 = \text{MārkP } 8.42 = \text{VDhU } 3.265.7 <math>\approx$ MBh 12.156.26 (pāda d reads सत्यमेवातिरिच्यते) \approx VDh 55.6 (pāda d reads सत्यमेतिद्विशिष्यते); cf. \$Dh\$ 11.107 : अश्वमेधायुतं पूर्णं सत्यञ्च तुलितं पुरा । अश्वमेधायुतात्सत्यमधिकं बहुमिर्गुणैः ॥ $11 \approx \text{VarP } 193.37 :$ सूर्यस्तपित सत्येन वातः सत्येन वाति च । अग्निर्दहित सत्येन सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता ॥ \approx VDhU 3.265.4cd-5ab : सत्येन वायुरभ्येति सत्येनाभासते रविः ॥ सत्येन चाग्निर्दहित स्वर्गं सत्येन गच्छिति ।

⁹a सत्यं] Σ , सत्य C_{45} 9b शमः] Σ , शमम् K_{10} 9c सत्यं] Σ , संत्यं C_{45} , सत्य K_7 9d सुखम्] Σ , सुखः E 10a ०सहस्रं च] Σ , ०सहस्रस्य C_{02} 10b तुल्या] Σ , तुल्यया C_{02} 10c ०सहस्राद्धि] Σ , ०सहस्रा हि C_{02} 10d एव] Σ , एवं $C_{02}E$ 11ab सूर्यः सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता] $K_{82}K_7$, सू $(2^{i}$: स)त्येन पृथि स्थिता: C_{94} , सूर्यः सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता C_{45} , सूर्य सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता: C_{02} , सूर्य (सत्ये) 3 वी स्थिता K_{10} , सूर्यः सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता: E 11c वायवो] E, वात्यवो E 11d सत्ये] E, सत्यात् E 12a सागराः] E, सागरा E 12b समयेन] E, सत्येन च E

अग्निर्द्हित सत्येन सत्येन शिशनश्चरः । सत्येन विन्ध्यास्तिष्टन्ति वर्धमानो न वर्धते ॥ ४:१३ ॥

लोकालोकः स्थितः सत्ये मेरुः सत्ये प्रतिष्ठितः । वेदास्तिष्ठन्ति सत्येषु धर्मः सत्ये प्रतिष्ठति ॥ ४:१४॥

सत्यं गौः क्षरते क्षीरं सत्यं क्षीरे घृतं स्थितम् ।

सत्ये जीवः स्थितो देहे सत्यं जीवः सनातनः ॥ ४:१५॥

सत्यमेकेन सम्प्राप्तो धर्मसाधननिश्चयः । रामराघववीर्येण सत्यमेकं सुरक्षितम् ॥ ४:१६॥

एवं सत्यविधानस्य कीर्तितं तव सुव्रत । सर्वलोकहितार्थाय किमन्यच्छोतुमिच्छसि ॥ ४:१७॥

 $13c \approx VarP\ 193.37cd$: अग्निर्द्हिति सत्येन सत्येन पृथिवी स्थिता $13d\ cf.\ VarP\ 155.30cd$: सत्येन सूर्यस्तपित सोमः सत्येन राजते ; $cf.\ LakṣmīNārS\ 1.345.50ab$: सत्येन सूर्यस्तपित चन्द्रः सत्येन वर्धते । $cf.\ MBh\ Suppl.\ 13.587$: मुचुकुन्देन मान्धात्रा हिरिश्चन्द्रेण चाभिभो । सत्यं वदत मासत्यं धर्मः सनातनः । हिरिश्चन्द्रश्चरित वै दिवि सत्येन चन्द्रवत् ॥

¹³ab सत्येन सत्येन] Σ , सत्येन $K_{82}^{ac}K_7$ 13b शशिनश्चरः] conj., सिश(भाचरः) C_{94} , श(सि) \cong चरः C_{45} , स शिरा वरः C_{02} , शशिराचरः $K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, शशिभाष्करः E 13c विन्ध्यास्तिष्ठन्ति] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$, विन्ध्यस्तिष्ठन्ति $C_{45}K_{10}$, विन्ध्या तिष्ठन्ति C_{02} , तिष्ठते विन्ध्यो E 14a ०लोकः] E, ०लोक $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ • स्थितः] Σ , स्थिः K_7 • सत्ये] Σ , सत्यं E 14b मेरः] Σ , मेरे $C_{02}E$ 14c वेदास्ति०] Σ , प्रतिष्ठितः K_7^{ac} , वेदा ति० E 14d सत्ये] Σ , धर्मे C_{02} • प्रतिष्ठति] Σ , प्रतिष्ठिति K_7^{ac} , प्रतिष्ठितः K_7^{ac} 15a गौः] Σ , गौ $C_{02}K_{10}$ 15ab क्षीरं सत्यं] Σ , क्षीत्यं C_{45}^{ac} , वसी \cong नित्यं C_{45}^{ac} 15b क्षीरे घृतं स्थितम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, क्षीरं घृतं स्थितम् C_{02} , क्षीरे घृतं स्थितम् E 15c सत्ये जीवः] E, सत्ये जीव E 15d जीवः] E, जीव E 15d जीवः] E, जीव E 16a सत्यमेकेन] E, सत्यमेकेन E 16d सत्यमेके] E, सत्यमेके E 17a एवं सत्य०] E 4, एतत्सत्य० E 4, एत्र E 17b स्वत] E 4, एतत्सत्य० E 4, एत्र E 17b स्वत] E 4, एत्र E 4, एतत्सत्य० E 4, एत्र E 6, एत्र एत्र E 6, एत्र E 7, एत्र एत्र E 8, एत्र

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[यमेष्वस्तेयम् (३)]

विगतराग उवाच ।
न हि तृप्तिं विजानामि श्रुत्वा धर्मं तवाप्यहम् ।
उपरिष्टादतो भूयः कथयस्व तपोधन ॥ ४:१८ ॥
अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।
स्तेयं शृण्वथ विप्रेन्द्र पञ्चधा परिकीर्तितम् ।
अदत्तादानमादौ तु उत्कोचं च ततः परम् ।
प्रस्थव्याजस्तुलाव्याजः प्रसह्यस्तेय पञ्चमम् ॥ ४:१९ ॥
धृष्टदुष्टप्रभावेन परद्रव्यापकर्षणम् ।
वार्यमाणो ऽपि दुर्बुद्धिरदत्तादानमुच्यते ॥ ४:२० ॥
उत्कोचं शृणु विप्रेन्द्र धर्मसंकरकारकम् ।
मूल्यं कार्यविनाशार्थमुत्कोचः परिगृह्यते ।
तेन चासौ विजानीयाद्वव्यलोभबलात्कृतम् ॥ ४:२१ ॥

¹⁸a तृप्तिं] Σ , तृप्ति C_{02} • विजानामि] Σ , विनामि K_{10} 18b श्रुत्वा धर्म तवाप्यहम्] Σ , श्रु धर्मन्तवाप्यहम् C_{94} , धर्मं श्रुत्वा तथाप्यहम् E 18d ॰ धन] C_{02} $K_{82}K_{10}E$, ॰ धून् C_{94} , ॰ धनः $C_{45}K_7$ 19b ॰ कीर्तितम्] Σ , ॰ कीर्त्तताम् C_{45} 19d उत्कोचं च ततः] Σ , त्कोच ततः C_{45} , उत्कोचं चानृतः E 19e तुलाव्याजः] $C_{45}K_7$ E, तुलाव्याज $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$ 19f ॰ सह्य॰] Σ , ॰ सह्ये K_{10} • ॰ स्तेय] Σ , ॰ स्तेन $C_{94}K_7$ • पञ्चमम्] Σ , पञ्चमः $C_{02}E$ 20a धृष्टदुष्ट॰] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7E$, धृष्टदुम्न॰ C_{45} , धृतदुष्ट॰ C_{02} , दृष्टदुष्ट॰ K_{10} 20b ॰ कर्षणम्] Σ , ॰ कर्षण K_{82} 20c वार्यमाणो ऽपि] Σ , वार्यमानो वि॰ C_{45} 21a उत्कोचं] Σ , उत्कोच C_{94} • विप्रेन्द्र] Σ , विद्रेन्द्र K_{10} २ शंकर॰] $C_{02}K_{82}$, ॰ शङ्कर॰ $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}$, ॰ सकर॰ K_7 , ॰ संहार॰ E • ॰ कारकम्] Σ , ॰ कारकः K_{82} 21c मूल्यं] conj., मूल $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ • ०विनाशार्थ॰] Σ , ०विनार्थ॰ K_{82}^{ac} 21d ॰ त्कोचः] Σ , ०त्कोचं K_{10} , ॰ त्कोच E 21ef विजानीयादु॰] Σ , विजानीया द० C_{02}

प्रस्थव्याज-उपायेन कुटुम्बं त्रातुमिच्छति । तं च स्तेनं विजानीयात्परद्रव्यापहारकम् ॥ ४:२२ ॥ तुलाव्याज-उपायेन परस्वार्थं हरेद्यदि । चौरलक्षणकाश्चान्ये कूटकापटिका नराः ॥ ४:२३ ॥ दुर्बलार्जवबालेषु च्छद्मना वा बलेन वा । अपहृत्य धनं मूढः स चौरश्चोर उच्यते ॥ ४:२४ ॥ नास्ति स्तेयसमं पापं नास्त्यधर्मश्च तत्समः ।

नास्ति स्तेनसमाकीर्तिर्नास्ति स्तेनसमो ऽनयः ॥ ४:२५ ॥

नास्ति स्तेयसमाविद्या नास्ति स्तेनसमः खलः ।

नास्ति स्तेनसम अज्ञो नास्ति स्तेनसमो ऽलसः ॥ ४:२६॥

23cd cf. UMS 8.3cd: कूटकापटिकाश्चेव सत्यार्जवविवर्जिताः

25 This verse is missing in E.

22c तं च स्तेनं] C_{94} , तञ्च स्तेन C_{45} , सो Sिप तेन $C_{02}E$, तं च स्तेयं K_{82} , तञ्च तेय K_{10} , तञ्च तेन K_7 22d ० इारकम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}^{pc}K_7E$, ० इारकः C_{02} , ० हारका K_{82}^{ac} ० हारका K_{10} 23a परस्वार्थं] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_7$, परस्वार्थं $C_{45}K_{10}$, परस्यार्थं E • हरेद्यदि] Σ , हरेद्यति C_{45} 23d कूटकापिटका] K_{10} , (कु)टका यिटका C_{94} , कूटकापिटका $C_{45}C_{02}$ $K_{82}^{ac}K_7$, कूटकापिटिका $K_{82}^{pc}E$ 24a ० जंव०] Σ , ० जव० K_{10} 24b च्छद्मना] E, च्छन्मना $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$, च्छन्मना K_7 24cd मूढः स] Σ , मूढ़ास्स K_{10} 24d चौरश्चोर] K_7 , चौरश्चोर $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}E$, चौर चौर C_{45} , चौरश्चोर K_{82} 25a स्तेय०] $K_{82}K_7$, तेन C_{94} , स्तेन० $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$ 25b ० समः] Σ , ० समं C_{02} 25c स्तेन०] Σ , तेन C_{02} , स्तेय० K_7 • ० समा०] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$, ० समो $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$ 25d स्तेन०] Σ , स्तेय० $K_{82}K_7$ 26a स्तेय०] $K_{82}K_7E$, स्तेन० $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}$ • ० समा] $C_{02}K_{10}$, ० समो $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7E$ 26b स्तेन०] $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}$, स्तेय० $K_{82}K_7$, तेन E 26c स्तेन०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$, स्तेय० $C_{02}K_{82}E$ • ० सम] Σ , ० समं K_{10} • अज्ञो] C_{45} , अज्ञ Σ Σ 0, तेन Σ 1, तेन Σ 2, तेन Σ 2, तेन Σ 3, तेन Σ 3, तेन Σ 3, तेन Σ 3, तेन Σ 4, तेन Σ 3, तेन Σ 4, तेन Σ 5, हरेपा Σ 5, हरेपा Σ 6, हरेपा Σ 7, हरेपा Σ 8, हरेपा Σ 8, हरेपा Σ 8, हरेपा Σ 8, हरेपा Σ 9, हर

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नास्ति स्तेनसमो द्वेष्यो नास्ति स्तेनसमो ऽप्रियः । नास्ति स्तेयसमं दुःखं नास्ति स्तेयसमो ऽयशः ॥ ४:२७॥

प्रच्छन्नो हियते ऽर्थमन्यपुरुषः प्रत्यक्षमन्यो हरेत् निक्षेपाद्धनहारिणो ऽन्यमधमो व्याजेन चान्यो हरेत् । अन्ये लेख्यविकल्पनाहृतधना †अन्यो हृताद्वै हृता† अन्यः क्रीतधनो ऽपरो धयहृत एते जघन्याः स्मृताः ॥ ४:२८॥

स्तेनतुल्य न मूढमस्ति पुरुषो धर्मार्थहीनो ऽधमः यावजीवति शङ्कया नरपतेः संत्रस्यमानो रटन् ।

²⁹ The lower folio side in exposure 49 in K_{10} is rather blurred and seems to be partly erased, therefore all the readings in this MS for verses 4.29–46 are rather uncertain, even if not indicated explicitly.

प्राप्तःशासन तीव्रसह्यविषमं प्राप्नोति कर्मेरितः कालेन म्रियते स याति निरयमाकन्दमानो भृशम् ॥ ४:२९॥

नीत्वा दुर्गतिकोटिकल्प निरयात्तिर्यत्वमायान्ति ते तिर्यत्वे च तथैवमेकशतिकं प्रभ्रम्य वर्षार्बुदम् । मानुष्यं तदवाप्नुवन्ति विपुले दारिद्यरोगाकुलं तस्माद्दुर्गतिहेतु कर्म सकलं त्यक्त्वा शिवं चाश्रयेत् ॥ ४:३०॥

[यमेष्वानृशंस्यम् (४)]

अष्टमूर्तिशिवद्वेष्टा पितुर्मातुश्च यो द्विषेत् । गवां वा अतिथेर्द्वेष्टा नृशंसाः पत्र एव ते ॥ ४:३१॥

²⁹c प्राप्तः॰] Σ , प्राप्त॰ K_{82} • ०सहा॰] Σ , $2 K_{10}$, ०सदा॰ E • ०विषमं] em., ०विषमः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}E$, $3 K_{10}$ • कमेरितः] Σ , कमेरितः] Σ , कमेरितः K_{10} • त्या हिंदाः] Σ , कमेरितः] Σ , तथेकमेकशितः Σ • ०५ कमेरितः] Σ , कमेरितः] Σ , तथेकमेकशितः Σ • ०५ कमेरितः] Σ , कमेरितः] Σ , तथेकमेकशितः Σ • ०५ कमेरितः] Σ , कमेरितः] Σ , वर्षोम्बद्धः Σ , Σ मानुष्य Σ , वर्षोम्बद्धः Σ , वर्षोम्बद्धः Σ , Σ , वर्षोम्बद्धः Σ , वर्षोप्तः] Σ , मानुष्य Σ , वर्षोप्तः] Σ , सम्प्रः] Σ , सम्प्रः] Σ , तस्मा दु॰ Σ , (तस्मा दु॰ Σ) Σ , वर्षोप्तः Σ , वर्षाप्तः Σ , वर्षाप्तः Σ , वर्षोप्तः Σ

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अष्टमूर्तिः शिवः साक्षात्पञ्चव्योमसमन्वितः । सूर्यः सोमश्च दीक्षश्च दूषकः स नृशंसकः ॥ ४:३२ ॥ पिताकाशसमो ज्ञेयो जन्मोत्पत्तिकरः पिता । पितृदैवत†मादिश्चमानृशंस तमन्वितः† ॥ ४:३३ ॥ पृथ्व्या गुरुतरी माता को न वन्देत मातरम् । यज्ञदानतपोवेदास्तेन सर्वं कृतं भवेत् ॥ ४:३४ ॥ गावः पवित्रं मङ्गल्यं देवतानां च देवताः । सर्वदेवमया गावस्तरमादेव न हिंसयेत् ॥ ४:३५ ॥ जातमात्रस्य लोकस्य गावस्त्राता न संशयः । घृतं क्षीरं दिध मूत्रं शकृत्कर्षणमेव च ॥ ४:३६ ॥

³² cf. ŚDhŚ 12.17 : मूर्तयो याः शिवस्याष्टौ तासु निन्दां विवर्जयेत् । गुरोश्च शिवभक्तानां नृपसाधुतपस्विनां ॥ 35a \approx ViṣṇuS 23.57c : गावः पिवत्रमङ्गल्यं (गोषु लोकाः प्रतिष्ठिता) • cf. also MBh Suppl. 13.15.33 : गावः पिवत्रं परमं गोषु लोकाः प्रतिष्ठिताः and AgniP 291.1cd : गावः पिवत्रा माङ्गल्या गोषु लोकाः प्रतिष्ठिताः 35c = VDhU 3.291.25c 36 cf. ŚDhU 12.92ff

³²a ०मूर्तिः] Σ , ०मूर्ति० E 32b ०न्वितः] Σ , ०न्विताः $C_{02}K_{10}$ 32c सूर्यः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$, (सूर्य)० $K_{10}K_{7}$, सूर्य० E • दीक्ष०] Σ , (दी) \cong K_{10} , दीक्षु० E 33b ०करः पिता] Σ , ०करपिताः C_{02} , ०(करः पिता) K_{10} 33c ०दैवत०] Σ , ०देवत० C_{45} , \cong वत० K_{10} 33cd ०दिश्रमानृशंस तमन्वितः] $C_{94}C_{45}$, ०दित्यमनृशंस तमन्वितः $C_{02}K_{10}$, ०दिश्र अनृशंस तमान्वितः K_{82} , ०दिश्रमनृशंस तमान्वितः K_{7} , ०दित्यम्मानृशंस ततो ऽन्वितः E 34a पृथ्या] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{7}$, (पृथ्या) $C_{02}K_{82}$, पृथ्यी K_{10} , पृथ्यां E 34b वन्देत] Σ , वन्देन वन्देत C_{45} , वन्दोत C_{02} 34d सर्वं] em., सर्व $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 35a पवित्रं] Σ , (पितत्र) K_{10} • मङ्गल्यं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, माङ्गल्यं $C_{02}K_{7}E$, (मङ्गल्यं) K_{10} • देवताः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}$, देवताः K_{82} , (देवताः) K_{10} , देवता E 35d ०स्मादेव] Σ , ०स्मादुव C_{45} , ०स्माद्गवं E 36a जातमात्रस्य लोकस्य] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$, सतसातस्य C_{45}^{ac} , सतसातस्य C_{45}^{ac} , सतसातस्य C_{45}^{ac} , जातमात्र(स्य लोकस्य) K_{10} 36d शकृत्क०] Σ , क्षत्क० C_{45} , (शकृत्क)० K_{10}

पञ्चामृतं पञ्चपवित्रपूतं ये पञ्चगव्यं पुरुषाः पिबन्ति । ते वाजिमेधस्य फलं लभन्ति तदक्षयं स्वर्गमवाप्नुवन्ति ॥ ४:३७॥

गोभिर्न तुल्यं धनमस्ति किंचिद् दुद्धन्ति वाह्यन्ति बहिश्चरन्ति । तृणानि भुक्त्वा अमृतं स्रवन्ति विप्रेषु दत्ताः कुलमुद्धरन्ति ॥ ४:३८॥

गवाह्निकं यश्च करोति नित्यं शुश्रूषणं यः कुरुते गवां तु । अशेषयज्ञतपदानपुण्यं लभत्यसौ तामनृशंसकर्ता ॥ ४:३९॥

अतिर्थि यो ऽनुगच्छेत अतिर्थि यो ऽनुमन्यते । अतिर्थि यो ऽनुपूज्येत अतिर्थि यः प्रशंसते ॥ ४:४०॥

³⁸a = ŚDhU 12.102d, 103d, 104d; cf. MBh 13.51.26cd: गोभिस्तुल्यं न पश्यामि धनं किंचिदिहाच्युत 38 cf. ŚDhU 12.92: तृणानि खादिन्त वसन्त्यरण्ये पिबन्ति तोयान्यपरिग्र-हाणि । दुह्यन्ति वाह्यन्ति पुनन्ति पापं गवां रसैर्जीवति जीवलोकः ॥

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अतिथिं यो न पीड्येत अतिथिं यो न दुष्यति । अतिथिप्रियकर्ता यः अतिथेः परिचारकः । अतिथेः कृतसंतोषस्तस्य पुण्यमनन्तकम् ॥ ४:४१ ॥ आसनेनार्घपात्रेण पादशौचजलेन च । अन्नवस्त्रप्रदानैर्वा सर्वं वापि निवेदयेत् ॥ ४:४२ ॥ पुत्रदारात्मनो वापि यो ऽतिथिमनुपूजयेत् । श्रद्धया चाविकल्पेन अक्ठीबमानसेन च ॥ ४:४३ ॥ न पृच्छेद्गोत्रचरणं स्वाध्यायं देशजन्मनी । चिन्तयेन्मनसा भक्त्या धर्मः स्वयमिहागतः ॥ ४:४४ ॥ अश्वमेधसहस्राणि राजसूयशतानि च । पुण्डरीकसहस्रं च सर्वतीर्थतपःफलम् ॥ ४:४५ ॥

44ab = UUMS 10.7ab = UMS 6.11ab ≈ MBh 13.62.18ab : न पृच्छेद्गोत्रचरणं स्वाध्यायं देशमेव वा 44cd cf. VSS 12.37cd : द्विजरूपधरो धर्मः स्वयमेव इहागतः

⁴¹a न पीड्येत] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, न गच्छेत (eyeskip to 4.40c) C_{02} , (न पी) $\stackrel{\square}{=}$ $\stackrel{\square}{=}$

अतिथिर्यस्य तुष्येत नृशंसमतमुत्सृजेत् । स तस्य सकलं पुण्यं प्राप्नुयान्नात्र संशयः ॥ ४:४६ ॥

†न गतिमतिथिज्ञस्य† गतिमाप्नोति कर्हचित् । तस्मादितिथिमायान्तमभिगच्छेत्कृताञ्जलिः ॥ ४:४७॥

सक्तुप्रस्थेन चैकेन यज्ञ आसीन्महाद्भुतः । अतिथिप्राप्तदानेन स्वशरीरं दिवं गतम् ॥ ४:४८॥

नकुलेन पुराधीतं विस्तरेण द्विजोत्तम । विदितं च त्वया पूर्वं प्रस्थवार्त्ता च कीर्तिता ॥ ४:४९॥

[यमेषु दमः (५)]

दम एव मनुष्याणां धर्मसारसमुचयः । दमो धर्मो दमः स्वर्गो दमः कीर्तिर्दमः सुखम् ॥ ४:५०॥

दमो यज्ञो दमस्तीर्थं दमः पुण्यं दमस्तपः । दमहीनमधर्मश्च दमः कामकुलप्रदः ॥ ४:५१॥

 $⁴⁷cd = V\bar{a}yuP$ 2.17.8 = BrahmāṇḍaP 2.15.8 $\approx \dot{S}DhU$ 4.44ab: तस्मादितिथिमायान्तमनुगच्छेत्कृताञ्जिलः 50b cf., e.g., MBh Suppl. 14.4.2477: श्रोतुमिच्छामि कार्त्स्ट्येन धर्मसारसमुचयम्

⁴⁶b नृशंसमतमुत्सृजेत्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$, नृशंसमत उत्सृजेत् C_{45} , नृशंसकमममुत्सृजेत् C_{02} , नृससमतमुत्सृजेत् K_{10} , न संशय समश्चते E 47a न गतिम०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$, न तिथिम० $C_{02}E$, न गति ना० K_{82} 47b कर्हचित्] Σ , कर्हिचित् $C_{94}E$ 47c ०यान्त०] Σ , ०यान्ति० C_{02} 48a सक्ज०] em., शन्कु० $C_{94}C_{45}$, शंकु० C_{02} , शक्ज० $K_{82}K_7$, शक्थ० K_{10} , शक्ति० E • चैकेन] Σ , चेकेन K_7 48b आसीन्महाद्भुतः] corr., आसीन्महद्भुतः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, आसी महद्भुतः C_{02} , आसीत्महाद्भुतः K_7 , आसीन्महद्भुतम् E 48c ०दानेन] Σ , ०प्रादानेन C_{02} 48d स्व०] Σ , (स)० K_7 , स० E • ०गतम्] Σ , ०गतः C_{02} 49b ०त्तम] Σ , ०त्तमम् C_{02} , ०त्तमः E 49d कीर्तिता] Σ , कीर्तितम् C_{02} , कीर्तिताः E 50b धर्मसार०] em., धर्मः सार० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$ $K_{10}K_7$, धर्मभार० E 50c स्वर्गो] Σ , स्वर्ग C_{02} 50d कीर्तिदं०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}$ E, कीर्ति द० $C_{02}K_{82}K_7$ 51a दमस्ती०] Σ , दम ती० C_{45} 51d दमः] Σ , दम C_{02} , दम E • काम०] Σ , कामं K_7

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निर्दमः किर मीनश्च पतङ्गभ्रमरमृगाः । त्विग्जिह्वा च तथा घ्राणा चक्षुः श्रवणिमिन्द्रियाः ॥ ४:५२ ॥ दुर्जयेन्द्रियमेकैकं सर्वे प्राणहराः स्मृताः । दमं यो जयते ऽसम्यिप्तर्दमो निधनं व्रजेत् ॥ ४:५३ ॥ मृगे श्रोत्रवशान्मृत्युः पतङ्गाश्चक्षुषोर्मृताः । घ्राणया भ्रमरो नष्टो नष्टो मीनश्च जिह्वया ॥ ४:५४ ॥ स्पर्शेन च करी नष्टो बन्धनावासदुःसहः । किं पुनः पञ्चभुक्तानां मृत्युस्तेभ्यः किमद्भुतम् ॥ ४:५५ ॥ पुरूरवो ऽतिलोभेन अतिकामेन दण्डकः । सागराश्चातिदर्पेण अतिमानेन रावणः ॥ ४:५६ ॥ अतिक्रोधेन सौदास अतिपानेन यादवाः । अतिकृष्णाच्च मान्धाता नहुषो द्विजवज्ञया ॥ ४:५७ ॥

⁵⁴ cf. BuddhCar 11.35 : गीतैर्हियन्ते हि मृगा वधाय रूपार्थमग्नौ शलभाः पतन्ति । मत्स्यो गिरत्यायसमामिषार्थी तस्मादनर्थं विषयाः फलन्ति ॥ 56d cf. MahāSubhS 563cd : विनष्टो रावणो लौल्यादति सर्वत्र वर्जयेत्

अतिदानाद्वलिर्नष्ट अतिशोर्येण अर्जुनः । अतिद्यूतान्नलो राजा नृगो गोहरणेन तु ॥ ४:५८॥

दमेन हीनः पुरुषो द्विजेन्द्र स्वर्गं च मोक्षं च सुखं च नास्ति । विज्ञानधर्मकुलकीर्तिनाश भवन्ति विप्र दमया विहीनाः ॥ ४:५९॥

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निर्घृणो न परत्रास्ति निर्घृणो न इहास्ति वै । निर्घृणे न च धर्मो ऽस्ति निर्घृणे न तपो ऽस्ति वै ॥ ४:६० ॥

परस्त्रीषु परार्थेषु परजीवापकर्षणे । परनिन्दापरान्नेषु घृणां पञ्चसु कारयेत् ॥ ४:६१ ॥

⁵⁸a cf. MahāSubhS 563ab: अतिदानाद्वलिर्बद्धो नष्टो मानात्सुयोधनः

⁵⁸ After this verse, E adds: तस्माद्दम सदा स रक्षेत् अति सर्वत्र वर्जयेत् (understand: तस्माद्दमं सदा रक्षेद् अति सर्वत्र वर्जयेत्); cf. MahāSubhS 563cd: विनष्टो रावणो लौल्यादित सर्वत्र वर्जयेत्

⁵⁸a ०र्नष्ट] Σ , ०र्नष्टो C_{45} , नप्टो C_{02} 58c अतिद्यूतान्नलो] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}K_{7}$, अतिद्यूतान्नरो $C_{45}K_{82}$, अतिस्थातान्नलो E 58d नृगो गो०] E, नृगङ्गो० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}$ E, नृगं गो० E, नृगङ्गो० E, इीनः पुरुषो द्विजेन्द्र E, इीनः पुरुषो दिजेन्द्र E, इीनः पुरुषो दिजेन्द्र E, इीनः पुरुषो दिजेन्द्र E, इप्ता E, इत्या E, इति पुरुषो E, इति पुरुषो

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परस्री शृणु विप्रेन्द्र घृणीकार्या सदा बुधैः । राज्ञी विप्री परिव्राजा स्वयोनिपरयोनिषु ॥ ४:६२ ॥ परार्थे शृणु भूयो ऽन्य अन्यायार्थमुपार्जनम् । आढप्रस्थतुलाव्याजैः परार्थं यो ऽपकर्षति ॥ ४:६३ ॥ जीवापकर्षणे विप्र घृणीकुर्वीत पण्डितः । वनजावनजा जीवा विलगाश्चरणाचराः ॥ ४:६४ ॥ परिनन्दा च का विप्र शृणु वक्ष्ये समासतः । देवानां ब्राह्मणानां च गुरुमातातिथिद्विषः ॥ ४:६५ ॥ परान्नेषु घृणा कार्या अभोज्येषु च भोजनम् । सूतके मृतके शौण्डे वर्णभ्रष्टकुले नटे ॥ ४:६६ ॥

⁶³b cf. BhG 16.12: आशापाशशतैर्बद्धाः कामकोधपरायणाः । ईहन्ते कामभोगार्थमन्यायेनार्थ-संचयान् ॥

⁶⁵cd These two pādas are illegible in $K_{\scriptscriptstyle 10}$ 66 This verse is mostly illegible in $K_{\scriptscriptstyle 10}$

⁶²a घृणी॰] Σ , घृणा C_{45} 62c ॰ बाजा] $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}$, ॰ बाजी $K_{82}K_{10}$, ॰ बाज्या E 62d ॰ पर॰] Σ , ॰ पशु॰ K_{10} 63b अन्याया॰] Σ , अन्यया॰ K_{10} • ० र्जनम्] Σ , ॰ र्जवम् K_{10} 63c ॰ तुला॰] Σ , ॰ तुल॰ K_{10} 63d ॰ र्थं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, ॰ र्थं C_{02} , ॰ (र्थ) K_{10} , ॰ र्थे K_{7} 64a विप्र] Σ , वि(प्र) C_{94} , विप्रे C_{02} 64b घृणी॰] Σ , घृणां E 64c वनजावनजा] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}E$, वनजाव Ξ जा C_{45}^{ac} , वनजा व(नि)जा C_{45}^{pc} , वनज विनजा K_{7} 64d विलगाश्वरणाचराः] corr., विलगाचरणाचराः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{7}$, विलगोचरगोचरः $C_{02}E$, विलगोचरगोचरः K_{82} , (विलगाचर)णाचराः K_{10} 65b वक्ष्ये] Σ , वक्ष्या E 66b अभोज्येषु] Σ , अभोज्ये C_{45} 66c शौण्डे] K_{82} , सौण्ड्ये $C_{94}C_{02}K_{7}$, शोण्ड्ये C_{45} , (सौण्डे) K_{10} , सौण्डो E

एते पञ्चघृणासु सक्तपुरुषाः स्वर्गार्थमोक्षार्थिनो लोके ऽनिन्दनमाप्नुवन्ति सततं कीर्तिर्यशोऽलंकृतम् । प्रज्ञाबोधश्रुतिं स्मृतिं च लभते मानं च नित्यं लभेद् दाक्षिण्यं सभवेत्स आयुष परं प्राप्नोति निःसंशयः ॥ ४:६७ ॥

[यमेषु धन्यः (७)]

चतुर्मौनं चतुःशत्रुश्चतुरायतनं तथा । चतुर्ध्यानं चतुष्पादं पञ्चधन्यविधोच्यते ॥ ४:६८॥

चतुर्मौनस्य वक्ष्यामि शृणुष्वावहितो भव । पारुष्यपिशुनामिथ्या सम्भिन्नानि च वर्जयेत् ॥ ४:६९ ॥

कामः क्रोधश्च लोभश्च मोहश्चैव चतुर्विधः । चतुःशत्रुर्निहन्तव्यः सो ऽरिहा वीतकल्मषः ॥ ४:७०॥

चतुरायतनं विप्र कथियप्यामि तच्छृणु ।

69cd cf. Divyāv 186.21: आर्य, किमेभिः कर्म कृतम्येनैवंविधानि दुःखानि प्रत्यनुभवन्तीति? स कथयति । एते प्राणातिपातिका अदत्तादायिकाः कामिभ्याचारिका मृषावादिकाः पैशुनिकाः पारुषिकाः संभिन्नप्रलापिका अभिध्यालवो व्यापन्नचित्ता मिथ्यादृष्टिकाः ।; cf. DhP 1.31cd-32ab: मिथ्या पिशुनसम्भिन्नपारुष्यवचनानि च ॥ जल्पतः सम्भवन्त्येते तस्मान्मौनं प्रशस्यते ।

⁶⁷a ०पुरुषाः] K_7 , ०पुरुषः $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} E$ • ०थिंनां] em., ०थिंनः K_7^{pc} , ०थिंनां $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} E$, ०थिंनां K_7^{ac} 67b ऽनिन्दनमाप्तुवन्ति] Σ , ऽनिन्दनवाप्तुवन्ति C_{02} , नन्दनवायुवान्ति E 67c ०श्रुति] K_7 , ०श्रुति० $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} E$ • नित्यं] Σ , नित्य C_{45} 67d स आयुष] em., समायुष $C_\Sigma K_7$, समायुषः K_{82} (unmetr.), (समायुष) K_{10} , स मानुष E • निःसंशयः] Σ , निसंशयः K_{82} 68a चतुर्मोनं च०] corr., चतुर्मोनश्च० C_{94} $C_{45} K_{82} K_7 E$, चतुर्मोणश्च० C_{02} , (चतुर्मोनश्च०) K_{10} 68ab ०तुःशतुश्च०] Σ , ०तुशतु च० C_{02} , ०तुःशतु च० E 68b ०तुरायतनं] Σ , ०(तु)रायतनं C_{94} , ०(तुरायतनम्) K_{10} 68c ०पादं] Σ , ०पादः K_{82} , \cong K_{10} 68d पञ्चधन्य०] Σ , धन्यपञ्च० E 69a ०मोनस्य] Σ , ०मोनस्य C_{45} 69c पारुष्य०] Σ , पारुष्यं K_{82} • ०पिशुना०] Σ , ०पिण्डाना० E 70c चतुःशतुर्नि०] $C_{94} C_{45} E$, चतुशतु नि० $C_{02} K_{82} K_{10} K_7$ 70d सो ऽरिहा] Σ , स्नोरिहा C_{45} , सर्वथा E

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करुणा मुदितोपेक्षा मैत्री चायतनं स्मृतम् ॥ ४:७१ ॥ चतुर्ध्यानाधुना वक्ष्ये संसारार्णवतारणम् । आत्मविद्याभवः सूक्ष्मं ध्यानमुक्तं चतुर्विधम् ॥ ४:७२ ॥ आत्मतत्त्वः स्मृतो धर्मो विद्या पञ्चसु पञ्चधा । षड्विशाक्षरिमत्याहुः सूक्ष्मतत्त्वमलक्षणम् ॥ ४:७३ ॥ चतुष्पादः स्मृतो धर्मश्चतुराश्रममाश्रितः । गृहस्थो ब्रह्मचारी च वानप्रस्थो ऽथ भैक्षुकः ॥ ४:७४ ॥ धन्यास्ते यैरिदं वेत्ति निखिलेन द्विजोत्तम । पावनं सर्वपापानां पण्यानां च प्रवर्धनम् ॥ ४:७५ ॥

आयुः कीर्तिर्यशः सौख्यं धन्यादेव प्रवर्धते ।

शान्तिः पुष्टिः स्मृतिर्मेधा जायते धन्यमानवे ॥ ४:७६ ॥

 $⁷⁴cd = MBh\ 12.234.13ab \approx MBh\ 14.4513ab\ etc.\ 74\ cf.\ 3.4\ above$: श्रुतिस्मृतिद्व-योर्मूर्तिश्चतुष्पादवृषः स्थितः । चतुराश्रम यो धर्मः कीर्तितानि मनीषिभिः ॥

[यमेष्वप्रमादः (८)]

प्रमादस्थान पञ्चेव कीर्तयिष्यामि तच्छृणु । ब्रह्महत्या सुरापानं स्तेयो गुर्वङ्गनागमम् । महापातकमित्याहुस्तत्संयोगी च पञ्चमः ॥ ४:७७ ॥

अनृतं च समुत्कर्षे राजगामी च पैशुनः । गुरोश्चालीकनिर्बन्धः समानि ब्रह्महत्यया ॥ ४:७८॥

ब्रह्मोज्झं वेदनिन्दा च कूटसाक्षी सुहृद्धधः । गर्हितानाद्ययोर्जिग्धः सुरापानसमानि षट् ॥ ४:७९ ॥

रेतोत्सेकः स्वयोन्यासु कुमारीष्वन्त्यजासु च ।

 $⁷⁷c-f \approx MBh Suppl. 12.30$: ब्रह्महत्यां सुरापानं स्तेयं गुर्वङ्गनागमम् । महान्ति पातकान्याहुः संयोगं चैव तैः सह ॥ $\approx Manu \ 11.55$ (in Olivelle's edition): ब्रह्महत्या सुरापानं स्तेयं गुर्वङ्गनागमः । महान्ति पातकान्याहुः संसर्गश्चापि तैः सह ॥ $cf. also \ YajınS \ 3.228$: ब्रह्महा मद्यपः स्तेनस्तथैव गुरुतत्यगः । एते महापातिकनो यश्च तैः सह संवसेत् ॥ $78 \approx MBh \ 5.40.3$ and $Manu \ 11.56$: अनृतं च समुत्कर्षे राजगामि च पैशुनम् । गुरोश्चालीकनिकन्धः समानि ब्रह्महत्यया ॥ $\approx Vi$ şınuS $37.1-4 \approx AgniP \ 168.25$ $79 \approx Manu \ 11.57$: ब्रह्मोज्झता वेदिनन्दा कौटसा-क्ष्यं सुहृद्वधः । गर्हितानाद्ययोजिग्धः सुरापानसमानि षट् ॥ $cf. \ YajınS \ 3.229$: गुरूणामध्यधिक्षेपो वेदिनन्दा सुहृद्वधः । ब्रह्महत्यासमं ज्ञेयमधीतस्य च नाशनम् ॥

⁷⁷a ०स्थान] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$, ०स्थानं $C_{45}K_7E$ (unmetr.) • पञ्चैव] Σ , पञ्चैवं E 77b कीर्तायिष्यामि] Σ , कीर्तियिष्यामि K_{10} 78a समुत्कर्षं] em., समुत्कर्षं $C_{94}K_{82}$, समुत्कर्षं C_{45} , समुत्कर्षं $C_{02}K_{10}K_7E$ 78b राज०] Σ , राज्ञी० E 78c ०िर्वन्धः] em., ०िर्वन्धः $C_{45}K_7$, निवन्धस् $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$, निवन्धस् E 78d ब्रह्महत्यया] Σ , ब्राट्स Σ 27a ब्रह्मोज्झं] em., ब्रह्मो ऋग्० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, ब्रह्म ऋग्० E 79b सुहृद्वधः] Σ , सकृद्धुधः E 79c ०नाद्ययोर्जिग्धः] em., ०न्नञ्च यो जिग्धस् C_{94} , ०न्नञ्च यो जिग्धस् C_{94} , ०न्नञ्च यो जिग्धः C_{45} , ०न्नञ्च यो विप्रः C_{02} , ०न्नञ्च यो जिग्धः C_{45} , ०न्नञ्च यो विप्रः C_{45}

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सख्युः पुत्रस्य च स्त्रीषु गुरुतत्यसमः स्मृतः ॥ ४:८० ॥ निक्षेपस्यापहरणं नराश्वरजतस्य च । भूमिवज्रमणीनां च रुकास्तेयसमः स्मृतः ॥ ४:८१ ॥ चत्वार एते सम्भूय यत्पापं कुरुते नरः । महापातक पञ्चेतत् तेन सर्वं प्रकाशितम् । पञ्चप्रमादमेतानि वर्जनीयं द्विजोत्तम ॥ ४:८२ ॥

[यमेषु माधुर्यम् (९)]

कायवाङ्मनमाधुर्यश्चक्षुर्बुद्धिश्च पञ्चमः । सौम्यदृष्टिप्रदानं च कूरबुद्धिं च वर्जयेत् ॥ ४:८३ ॥ प्रसन्नमनसा ध्यायेत्प्रियवाक्यमुदीरयेत् । यथाशक्तिप्रदानं च स्वाश्रमाभ्यागतो गुरुः ॥ ४:८४ ॥ इन्यनोदकदानं च जातवेदमथापि वा ।

80 pprox Manu 11.59 : रेतःसेकः स्वयोनीषु कुमारीष्वन्त्यजासु च । सख्युः पुत्रस्य च स्त्रीषु गुरुत-ल्पसमं विदुः ॥ 81 = Manu 11.58

सुलभानि न दत्तानि इन्धनास्युदकानि च । क्षुते जीवेति वा नोक्तं तस्य किं परतः फलम् ॥ ४:८५॥

[यमेष्वार्जवम् (१०)]

पञ्चार्जवाः प्रशंसन्ति मुनयस्तत्त्वद्शिनः । कर्मवृत्त्याभिवृद्धिं च पारितोषिकमेव च । स्त्रीधनोत्कोचिवत्तं च आर्जवो नाभिनन्दति ॥ ४:८६॥

आर्जवो न वृथा यज्ञ आर्जवो न वृथा तपः । आर्जवो न वृथा दानमार्जवो न वृथाग्नयः ॥ ४:८७ ॥

आर्जवस्येन्द्रियग्रामः सुप्रसन्नो ऽपि तिष्ठति ।

आर्जवस्य सदा देवाः काये तस्य चरन्ति ते ॥ ४:८८ ॥

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इति यमप्रविभागः कीर्तितो ऽयं द्विजेन्द्र इह परत सुखार्थं कारयेत्तं मनुष्यः । दुरितमलपहारी शङ्करस्याज्ञयास्ते भवति पृथिविभर्ता ह्येकछत्रप्रवर्ता ॥ ४:८९ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे यमविभागो नामाध्यायश्चतुर्थः ॥

⁸⁹a यमप्रविभागः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}$, यमविभागः C_{02} , यमप्रिरिभागः K_{82} , नियमपिरिभागः $E \bullet [$ द्विजेन्द्र] Σ , नरेन्द्र $E \bullet B \bullet D$ ०येत्तं मनुष्यः] C_{07} , ०येत्तन्मनुष्यः C_{94} $C_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$, ०येत्त मनुष्यः C_{45} , ०येत्तत्मनुष्यः $C_{02} \bullet D_{02}$ $C_{03} \bullet D_{04}$ $D_{04} \bullet D_{05}$ $D_{05} \bullet D_{05}$

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[नियमाः]

विगतराग उवाच । कथय नियमतत्त्वं साम्प्रतं त्वं विशेषाद् अमृतवचनतुल्यं श्रोतुकामो गतो ऽस्मि । प्रकृतिदहनदग्धं ज्ञानतोयेर्निषिक्तम् अपर वदमतज्ज्ञं नास्ति धर्मेषु तृष्तिः ॥ ५:१॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । श्रवणसुखमतो ऽन्यत्कीर्तियिष्ये द्विजेन्द्र नियमकलविशेषः पञ्च पञ्च प्रकारः । हरिहरमुनिभीष्टं धर्मसारं द्विजेन्द्र कलिकलुषविनाशं प्रायमोक्षप्रसिद्धम् ॥ ५:२॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 201v-202r, C_{45} ff. 208v-209r, C_{02} ff. 277r-278r, K_{82} ff. 9r-9v, K_{10} exp. 50 (upper) and 51 (lower), K_7 ff. 217r-218r, M ff. 9r-10r, E pp. 597-599; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

1 विगतराग उवाच] Σ , विगत(राग उवा)च C_{94} 1a कथय नि॰] Σ , कथयति E • ०तत्त्वं] Σ , तं C_{45} • साम्प्रतं त्वं विशेषाद्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7E$, त्वां वशेषात् C_{45} , सांप्रत त्वं विसेषात् $C_{02}K_{10}$, साम्प्रतं त्वं विशेषा M 1b ॰ वचनतुल्यं श्रो॰] M, वदनतुल्यं श्रो॰ C_{94} $C_{02}K_{82}^{pc}K_{10}K_7E$, वदनतुल्यां श्रो॰ C_{45} , वदन(तुल्यं श्रो) तुल्यं स्रो॰ K_{82}^{ac} • ०कामो] Σ , ०कामा ME 1c ॰ दहन॰] Σ , ०वदन॰ E • ०दग्धं] Σ , ०दग्धं M • ०निषिक्तम्] Σ , ०विमुक्तम् C_{45} , ०निशिक्तः M 1d अपर॰] Σ , अपरं K_{82} (unmetr.), अर॰ M^{ac} • मतज्ज्ञं नास्ति] C_{01} , मतज्ञा नास्ति $C_{94}^{pc}C_{45}K_{82}K_7M$, तज्ञा नास्ति C_{94}^{ac} , मतज्ञा(न्ना)स्ति C_{02} , (मे) $\Xi \Xi \Xi K_{10}$, ०न तज्ज्ञान्नास्ति E • धर्मेषु तृप्तिः] Σ , में धर्मतृप्तिः M 2 अनर्थ॰] Σ , अर्थ॰ M 2a ॰ सुस्त॰] Σ , ०मुस्त॰ K_{82}^{ac} • ०मतो ऽन्यत्] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_7$, ०मतो ऽन्य K_{10} , ०मतो न्यः K_{10} , ०मनो ऽन्यत् E • कीर्त॰] E, कीर्ति॰ E0 • विशेषः] E1, विशे E2, ०विशेष E3, ०विशेष E4, ०विशेष E5, प्रकारः] E7, प्रकारः E7, ०विनाशं] E7, ०विनाशं E8, ०विनाशं] E7, विशेष E9, ०विनाशं] E7, ०विनाशं E8, ०विनाशं] E7, ०विनाशं E8, ०विनाशं] E8, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं] E1, ०विनाशं] E2, ०विनाशं E3, ०विनाशं E4, ०विनाशं] E5, ०विनाशं E5, ०विनाशं] E7, ०विनाशं E8, ०विनाशं] E8, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाशं] E9, ०विनाशं E9, ०विनाश

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शौचिमिज्या तपो दानं स्वाध्यायोपस्थिनिग्रहः । व्रतोपवासमौनं च स्नानं च नियमा दश ॥ ५:३॥

[नियमेषु शौचम् (१)]

तत्र शौचादिनिर्देशं वक्ष्यामीह द्विजोत्तम । शारीरशौचमाहारो मात्रा भावश्च पञ्चमः ॥ ५:४॥

[शरीरशौचम] ताडयेन्न च बन्धेत न च प्राणैर्वियोजयेत् । परस्त्रीपरद्रव्येषु शौचं कायिकमुच्यते ॥ ५:५॥

श्रोत्रशौचं द्विजश्रेष्ठ गुदोपस्थमुखादयः । मुखस्याचमनं शौचमाहारवचनेषु च ॥ ५:६॥

मूत्रविष्टासमुत्सर्गे देवताराधनेषु च । मृत्तोयैस्तु गुदोपस्थं शौचयीत विचक्षणः ॥ ५:७॥

 $[\]overline{3} = \text{LiP } 1.8.29 \text{cd} - 30 \text{ab} = \text{VDhU } 3.233.202$

एकोपस्थे गुदे पञ्च तथैकत्र करे दश । उभयोः सप्त दातव्या मृदः शुद्धिं समीहता ॥ ५:८॥ एतच्छौचं गृहस्थानां द्विगुणं ब्रह्मचारिणाम् । वानप्रस्थस्य त्रिगुणं यतीनां तु चतुर्गुणम् ॥ ५:९॥

[आहारशौचम्] आहारशौचं वक्ष्यामि शृणुष्वावहितो भव । भागद्वयं तु भुझीत भागमेकं जलं पिबेत् । वायुसंचारदानार्थं चतुर्थमवशेषयेत् ॥ ५:१०॥

⁸ \approx Manu 5.136: एका लिङ्गे गुद्दे तिस्नस्तथैकत्र करे दश । उभयोः सप्त दातव्या मृदः शुद्धिमभी-प्सता ॥ 9ab \approx Manu 5.137: एतच्छौचं गृहस्थानां द्विगुणं ब्रह्मचारिणाम् । त्रिगुणं स्याद्वनस्थानां यतीनां तु चतुर्गुणम् ॥ 10 \approx Śaṅkara's commentary ad BhG 6.16: उक्तं हि । अर्धं सव्यञ्जनान्नस्य तृतीयमुद्कस्य च । वायोः संचरणार्थं तु चतुर्थमवशेषयेत् ॥; cf. AṣṭāṅgHṛ 8.46cd-47ab: अन्नेन कुक्षेर्द्वावंशौ पानेनैकं प्रपूर्येत् ॥ आश्रयं पवनादीनां चतुर्थमवशेषयेत् ।; cf. SannyāsUp 59: आहारस्य च भागौ द्वौ तृतीयमुद्कस्य च । वायोः संचरणार्थाय चतुर्थमवशेष्येत् ॥

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स्निग्धस्वादुरसैः षङ्किराहारषड्रसैर्बुधः । धातुवैषम्यनाशो ऽस्ति न च रोगाः सुदारुणाः ॥ ५:११ ॥ अभक्ष्यं च न भक्षेत अपेयं न च पाययेत् । अगम्यं न च गम्येत अवाच्यं न च भाषयेत् ॥ ५:१२ ॥ लशुनं च पलाण्डुं च गृञ्जनं कवकानि च । गौरं च सूकरं मांसं वर्जयेच विधानतः ॥ ५:१३ ॥ छत्त्राकं विङ्वराहं च गोमांसं च न भक्षयेत् । चटकं च कपोतं च जालपादांश्च वर्जयेत् ॥ ५:१४ ॥ हंससारसचकाह्नकुकुटान्शुकश्येनकान् । काकोलुकं बलाकं च मत्स्यादींश्चापि वर्जयेत् ॥ ५:१५ ॥

13ab ≈ Manu 5.5ab: लशुनं गृझनं चैव पलाण्डुं कवकानि च 14ab cf. Manu 5.19ab: छत्राकं विद्वराहं च लशुनं ग्रामकुक्कटम्

⁽¹¹a) ०स्वादुरसैः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, ०स्वा \cong रसैः K_{10} , ०स्वादुरसं M, ०स्वादुरसैः E (11b)०हारषड्सैर्बु०] $C_{45}E$, ०हारसद्रवैर्बु० $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$, ०हारसद्रवै बु० C_{02} , ०हारषड्सै बु० K_{10} , ॰हारे सद्भवद्भु॰ M (11c) ॰वैषम्यनाशो ऽस्ति] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, ॰(दै)षम्यनाशास्ति C_{45} , ०वैशम्य नस्यास्ति M, ०वैषम्य नश्यन्ति E (11d) रोगाः] Σ , रोग M • सुदारुणाः] Σ , स्वदारुणाः M, सुदारुणः E (12a) अभक्ष्यं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, $\Xi \Xi \Xi K_{10}$, अभक्षं ME • चनभक्षेत] Σ , नचभक्षेतः M (12b) नच] Σ , चन K_7E (12c)गम्येत] Σ , गम्येतः M (12d) अवाच्यं] Σ , अवाचं C_{02} (13a) पलाण्डुं] E, पलण्डुं $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}K_{7}M$, पलडुं K_{82} (13b) कवकानि] Σ , च कचानि E (13c) गौरं च] em., गोरस्व $C_{94}K_{10}$, गोरश्च $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_7M$, गौरश्च $E \bullet Hiti] \Sigma$, मांसः M, मासं E13d) विधानतः] ∑, विधानत् M (14a) छत्त्राकं] ∑, छत्त्राक C₀₂ • विड्व०] Σ , विद्व. $K_{82}K_7$ (14b) गोमांसं | Σ , गोमाञ् C_{45}^{ac} (14c) चटकं | Σ , चटकाम् $C_{02}K_{10}$ (14d) ॰पादांश्च] Σ , जालपादञ्च M (15a) ॰चकाह्न॰] Σ , ॰चकाह्ना॰ M(15b) ॰ কুক্কুटাन্যু॰] $C_{\Sigma}K_{7}E$, ॰ কুক্কুटা যু॰ K_{82} , ॰ কুক্কুटা যু॰ K_{10} , ॰ কুর্কুटा যু॰ M० २ येनकान्] $C_{94}C_{02}K_7E$, ० शोनकान् C_{45} , ० २ येनका K_{82} , ० २ येनकां K_{10} , ० २ येनकम् M(15c) काकोलूकं बलाकं च] $C_{45}K_7$, काकोलूक(स्व) $\cong \cong \cong C_{94}$, काकोलूकबलाकं च C_{02} K_{82} ME, (काकोलूकं बलाकं च) K_{10} (15d) मत्स्यादींश्चापि वर्जयेत्] Σ , मत्स्यादीनि च वर्जये M

अमेध्यांश्चापवित्रांश्च सर्वानेव विवर्जयेत । शाकमूलफलानां च अभक्ष्यं परिवर्जयेत् ॥ ५:१६॥

मानवेषु पुराणेषु शैवभारतसंहिते । कीर्तितानि विशेषेण शौचाचारमशेषतः । त्वया जिज्ञासितो ऽस्म्यद्य संक्षिप्तः कथितो मया ॥ ५:१७ ॥

सत्यवादी शुचिर्नित्यं ध्यानयोगरतः शुचिः ।

अहिंसकः श्रुचिर्दान्तो दयाभृतक्षमा श्रुचिः ॥ ५:१८ ॥

सर्वेषामेव शौचानामर्थशौचं परं स्मृतम् । यो ऽर्थे हि शुचिः स शुचिर्न मृद्वारिशुचिः शुचिः । कायवाङ्मनसां शौचं स शचिः सर्ववस्तुषु ॥ ५:१९ ॥

मुद्वारिश्चिः श्चिः॥

19ab pprox Manu 5.106: सर्वेषामेव शौचानामर्थशौचं परं स्मृतम् । यो ऽर्थे शुचिर्हि स शुचिर्न

¹⁹cd E adds here, after pādas cd: शौचाशौचविधिर्ज्ञात्वा मुच्यते सर्विकेल्बिषात् (None of the palm-leaf MSS, nor K_{41} or K_{107} , add anything.)

⁽¹⁶a) अमेध्यांश्चापवित्रांश्च] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, (अमेध्याश्चापवित्रांश्च) K_{10} , अमेध्याश्च पवित्राश्च M, अमेध्यश्चापवित्रांश्च E (16b) सर्वानेव विवर्जयेत् $|\Sigma$, सर्वान्येतानि वर्जयेत् Mविशेषेण | Σ , मशेषेण M (17e) जिज्ञासितो | Σ , जिज्ञासनो K_7 , जिज्ञासतो E०क्षिप्तः] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$, ०क्षिप्य C_{45} , ०क्षिप्त $K_{10}M$ • कथितो] Σ , कथितं E०वादी] Σ , ०वादि M • ०रतः श्रुचिर्] $C_{94}C_{45}E$, ०रतः श्रुचि $C_{02}K_7$, रतः श्रुचिन् K_{82} K_{10} , ॰रत शुचि M (18c) अहिंसकः] Σ , अहिंसक C_{45} M • शुचिर्दान्तो] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, शुचि दान्तो $C_{02}K_7M$, शुचिर्दान्तौ E (18d) ०भूत० | Σ , ०भुत० Mशुचिः] Σ , शुचि M ${f (19b)}$ ०शौचं परं स्मृतम्] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, ०शौचं पर स्मृतम् C_{45} C_{02} , ॰शौच पर स्मृतः M, ॰शौचयनं स्मृतः E (19cd) यो ऽर्थे हि श्रुचिः स श्रुचिर्न | C_{Σ} K_7 (unmetr.), यो ऽर्थे हि शुचिः स शुचि न $K_{82}K_{10}$, यो र्थे शुचि हि स शुद्धि M, यो ऽर्थे हि सुशुचिर्विप्र न E (19d) ०शुचिः शुचिः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, शुचि शुचिः K_{10} , ०शुचि शुचि M_{*} ॰शुचिः शुचि E (19e) वाङ्मनसां शौचं] Σ , वाङ्मणसा शुद्धि M (19f) शुचिः] Σ , श्चाचि $C_{02}M \bullet$ वस्तुषु $] \Sigma$, वस्तुषुः K_7 , वस्तुश् M

पञ्चमो ऽध्यायः

शौचाशौचविधिज्ञमानव यदि कालक्षये निश्चयः सौभाग्यत्वमवाप्नुवन्ति सततं कीर्तिर्यशोऽलङ्कृतम् । प्राप्तं तेन इहैव पुण्यसकलं सद्धर्मशास्त्रेरितं जीवान्ते च परत्रमीहितगतिं प्राप्तोति निःसंशयम् ॥ ५:२०॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे शौचाचारविधिर्नामाध्यायः पञ्चमः ॥

 $20b \approx 4.67b$ above : लोके ऽनिन्दनमाप्नुवन्ति सततं कीर्तिर्यशोऽलंकृतम्

[षष्ठो ऽध्यायः]

[नियमेष्विज्या (२)]

अथ पञ्चविधामिज्यां प्रवक्ष्यामि द्विजोत्तम । धर्ममोक्षप्रसिद्धर्थं शृणुष्वावहितो द्विज ॥ ६:१॥

अर्थयज्ञः क्रियायज्ञो जपयज्ञस्तथैव च । ज्ञानं ध्यानं च पञ्चेतत्प्रवक्ष्यामि पृथक्पृथक् ॥ ६:२ ॥

[अर्थयज्ञः] अस्यपासनकर्मादि अग्निहोत्रकतुकिया । अष्टका पार्वणी श्राद्धं द्रव्ययज्ञः स उच्यते ॥ ६:३ ॥

[क्रियायज्ञः]

आरामोद्यानवापीषु देवतायतनेषु च । स्वहस्तकृतसंस्कारः कियायज्ञ स उच्यते ॥ ६:४॥

[जपयज्ञः] जपयज्ञं ततो वृक्ष्ये स्वर्गमोक्षफलप्रदम् । वेदाध्ययन कर्तव्यं शिवसंहितमेव च ।

Witnesses used for this chapter: C₉₄ ff. 202r-203r, C₄₅ ff. 209r-209v, C₀₂ ff. 278r-279r, K_{82} ff. 9v-10v, K_{10} exp. 51 (lower-upper) – 52 (lower), K_7 ff. 218r-218v, E pp. 599–601; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

 $m{(1a)}$ ०मिज्यां] C_{45} , ०मीज्यां $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ $m{(1b)}$ ०त्तम] Σ , ०त्तमः K_{10} K_7 (1c) ॰मोक्षप्रसिद्धर्थं] $C_\Sigma K_7$, ॰मोक्षप्रसिद्धर्थं $K_{82}K_{10}$, ॰मोक्षेशसिद्धर्थं E (1d)द्विज] Σ , भव E (2a) अर्थयज्ञः] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$, अनर्थयज्ञः C_{45} , अर्थयज्ञ $K_{10}K_{7}$, अर्थयज्ञ \in (2c) ज्ञानं] Σ , ज्ञान $C_{02}K_7$ (3b) अग्नि] Σ , (अ) -1. C_{94} , \simeq $K_{10} \bullet \circ$ किया] $\Sigma_{10} \circ$ कियाः $C_{45}C_{02} = (3c) = \text{पार्वणी} \] \Sigma_{10} \circ$ पर्वणी C_{45} (पर्वणी) $K_{10} \circ$ $K_{82}K_{7}$, ०यत $\simeq K_{10}$ (4c) ०हस्त० | Σ , $\simeq K_{10}$, ०हस्तैः E (5a) ०यज्ञं ततो | Σ , ॰यज्ञं तपो C_{45} ॰यज्ञस्ततो C_{02} (5c) वेदा ॰] Σ , अदा ॰ K_{10}

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इतिहासपुराणं च जपयज्ञः स उच्यते ॥ ६:५॥

[ज्ञानयज्ञः]

इदं कर्म अकर्मेदमूहापोहविशारदः ।

शास्त्रचक्षुः समालोक्य ज्ञानयज्ञः स उच्यते ॥ ६:६॥

[ध्यानयज्ञः]

ध्यानयज्ञं समासेन कथियघामि ते शृणु ।

ध्यानं पञ्चविधं चैव कीर्तितं हरिणा पुरा ।

सूर्यः सोमो ऽग्नि स्फटिकः सूक्ष्मं तत्त्वं च पञ्चमम् ॥ ६:७॥

सूर्यमण्डलमादौ तु तत्त्वं प्रकृतिरुच्यते ।

तस्य मध्ये शशिं ध्यायेत्तत्त्वं पुरुष उच्यते ॥ ६:८॥

चन्द्रमण्डलमध्ये तु ज्वालामग्निं विचिन्तयेत् ।

प्रभुतत्त्वः स विज्ञेयो जन्ममृत्युविनाशनः ॥ ६:९॥

अग्निमण्डलमध्ये तु ध्यायेत्स्फटिक निर्मलम् ।

विद्यातत्त्वः स विज्ञेयः कारणमजमव्ययम् ॥ ६:१० ॥

विद्यामण्डलमध्ये तु ध्यायेत्तत्त्वमनुत्तमम् ।

अकीर्तितमनौपम्यं शिवमक्षयमव्ययम् । पञ्चमं ध्यानयज्ञस्य तत्त्वमुक्तं समासतः ॥ ६:११ ॥ विगतराग उवाच । एकैकस्य तु तत्त्वस्य फलं कीर्तय कीदृशम् । कानि लोकाः प्रपद्यन्ते कालं वास्य तपोधन ॥ ६:१२ ॥ अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । ब्रह्मलोकं तु प्रथमं तत्त्वप्रकृतिचिन्तया । कल्पकोटिसहस्राणि शिववन्मोदते सुखी ॥ ६:१३ ॥ द्वितीयं तत्त्व पुरुषं ध्यायमानो मृतो यदि । विष्णुलोकमितो याति कल्पकोट्ययुतं सुखी ॥ ६:१४ ॥ प्रभुतत्त्वं तृतीयं तु ध्यायमानो मरिष्यति । शिवलोके वसेन्नित्यं कल्पकोट्ययुतं शतम् ॥ ६:१५॥ विद्यातत्त्वामृतं ध्यायेत्सदाशिवमनामयम् । अक्षयं लोकमाप्नोति कल्पानान्तपरं तथा ॥ ६:१६॥ पञ्चमं शिवतत्त्वं तु सूक्ष्मं चात्मनि संस्थितम् । न कालसंख्या तत्रास्ति शिवेन सह मोदते ॥ ६:१७॥

11cd DhP 4.14ab: अकीर्तितमनौपम्यं पञ्चमं शिवमण्डलम्

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पञ्चध्यानाभियुक्तो भवति च न पुनर्जन्मसंस्कारबन्धः जिज्ञास्यन्तां द्विजेन्द्र भवदहनकरः प्रार्थनाकल्पवृक्षो । जन्मेनैकेन मुक्तिर्भवति किमु न वा मानवाः साधयन्तु प्रत्यक्षान्नानुमानं सकलमलहरं स्वात्मसंवेदनीयम् ॥ ६:१८॥

[नियमेषु तपः (३)]

मानसं तप आदौ तु द्वितीयं वाचिकं तपः । कायिकं च तृतीयं तु मनोवाक्कर्म तत्परम् । कायिकं वाचिकं चैव तपो मिश्रक पञ्चमम् ॥ ६:१९ ॥ मनःसौम्यं प्रसादश्च आत्मनिग्रहमेव च । मौनं भावविशुद्धिश्च पञ्चेतत्तप मानसम् ॥ ६:२० ॥ अनुद्वेगकरा वाणी प्रियं सत्यं हितं च यत ।

20 ≈ MBh 6.39.16 (BhG 17.16) : मनःप्रसादः सौम्यत्वं मौनमात्मविनिग्रहः । भावसंशुद्धि-रित्येतत्तपो मानसमुच्यते ॥

स्वाध्यायाभ्यसनं चैव वाचिकं तप उच्यते ॥ ६:२१ ॥ आर्जवं च अहिंसा च ब्रह्मचर्यं सुरार्चनम् । शौचं पश्चमित्येतत्कायिकं तप उच्यते ॥ ६:२२ ॥ इष्टं कल्याणभावं च धन्यं पथ्यं हितं वदेत् । मनोमिश्रक पश्चैतत्तप उक्तं महर्षिभिः ॥ ६:२३ ॥ स्विस्ति मङ्गलमाशीर्भिरितिथिगुरुपूजनम् । कायमिश्रक पश्चैतत्तप उक्तं महात्मिभः ॥ ६:२४ ॥ मण्डूकयोगी हेमन्ते ग्रीष्मे पश्चतपास्तथा । अभ्रावकाशो वर्षासु तपःसाधनमुच्यते ॥ ६:२५ ॥ स्वमांसोद्धृत्य दानं च हस्तपादिशरस्तथा ।

21cd ≈ MBh 6.39.15cd (BhG 17.15): अनुद्वेगकरं वाक्यं सत्यं प्रियहितं च यत् । स्वाध्यायाभ्यसनं चैव वाङ्मयं तप उच्यते ॥ 22 cf. MBh 6.39.14 (BhG 17.14): देवद्विजगुरुप्राज्ञपूजनं शौचमार्जवम् । ब्रह्मचर्यमहिंसा च शारीरं तप उच्यते ॥ 24ab cf. ŚDhŚ 11.79: नमस्कारा-भिवादेषु स्वस्तिमङ्गलवाचकैः । शिवं भवतु सर्वत्र प्रब्रूयात्सर्वकर्मसु ॥ 25ab ≈ MBh Suppl. 15.801: मण्डूकशायी हेमन्ते ग्रीष्मे पञ्चतपा भवेत ≈ UMS 6.26ab: मण्डूकशोगो हेमन्ते ग्रीष्मे पञ्चतपास्तथा; cf. ŚDhSaṅgr 9.32ab: अभ्रावकाश्यं शीतोष्णे पञ्चाग्निजलशायिता

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पुष्पमुत्पाद्य दानंच सर्वे ते तपसाधनाः ॥ ६:२६ ॥ कृच्छातिकृच्छं नक्तं च तप्तकृच्छमयाचितम् । चान्द्रायणं पराकं च तपः सांतपनादयः ॥ ६:२७ ॥

येनेदं तप तप्यते सुमनसा संसारदुःखिच्छदम् आशापाश विमुच्य निर्मलमतिस्त्यक्त्वा जघन्यं फलम् । स्वर्गाकाङ्क्षानृपत्वभोगविषयं सर्वान्तिकं तत्फलं जन्तुः शाश्वतजन्ममृत्युभवने तिन्नष्टसाध्यं वहेत् ॥ ६:२८॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे षष्ठो ऽध्यायः ॥

²⁶c दानं] Σ , दानश् E 26d तप०] E, तपः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ (unmetr.) 27a कृष्छ्रातिकृष्छ्रं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, कृष्छ्रादिकृष्छ्रं C_{02} , कृष्छ्रातिकृष्छ्रं K_{10} , कृष्छातिकृष्छ्रं K_{7} 27b ०याचितम्] Σ , ०याचितः E 27c चान्द्रायणं पराकं] $C_{94}C_{02}$ $K_{10}K_{7}$, चान्द्रायनं पराकं C_{45} , चन्द्रायणं पराकं K_{82} , चान्द्रायणवराकश् E 27d तपः सांतपनादयः] Σ , तपसान्तपनादयः $C_{02}E$ 28a तपं त०] E, तपस्त० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$ K_{7} (unmetr.) • ०मनसा] em., ०मनसः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 28b निर्मलमिति०] Σ , निर्मलर्मिति० C_{45} • जघन्यं] Σ , जगत्यं E 28c ०काङ्क्ष्य०] Σ , ०कांक्ष० E • सर्वान्तिकं] Σ , सर्वार्त्तिकं C_{45} • अधन्य वहेत् C_{45} , ०साध्यं वहेत् C_{45}

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[नियमेषु दानम् (४)]

दानानि च तथेत्याहुः पञ्चधा मुनिभिः पुरा । अन्नं वस्त्रं हिरण्यं च भूमि गोदान पञ्चमम् ॥ ७:१॥

[अन्नदानम्]

अन्नात्तेजः स्मृतिः प्राणः अन्नात्पुष्टिर्वपुः सुखम् ।

अन्नाच्छीः कान्ति वीर्यं च अन्नात्सत्त्वं च जायते ॥ ७:२ ॥

अन्नाजीवन्ति भूतानि अन्नं तुष्टिकरं सदा ।

आन्नात्कामो मदो दर्पः अन्नाच्छौर्यं च जायते ॥ ७:३॥

अन्नं क्षुधातृषाव्याधीन्सद्य एव विनाशयेत् ।

अन्नदानाच सौभाग्यं ख्यातिः कीर्तिश्च जायते ॥ ७:४॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 203r-204r, C_{45} ff. 209v-210v, C_{02} ff. 279r-280v, K_{82} ff. 10v-11v, K_{10} exp. 52 (lower-upper) – 53 (lower), K_7 ff. 218v-219v, E pp. 601-603; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

¹a तथेत्याहुः] Σ , तथैत्याहुः $C_{45}K_{82}$ 1c वस्त्रं] Σ , वस्त्रं $C_{02}K_{10}$ 2a अन्नात्तेजः स्मृतिः प्राणः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}^{pc}K_{10}$, अन्नात्तेजः स्मृतिः प्राण K_{82}^{ac} , अन्नात्तेजः स्मृति प्राणः K_{7} , अन्नाद्भविन्तं भूतािन E 2c अन्नाच्छीः] Σ , अन्नाच्छीः $K_{10}E$ • कान्ति वीर्यं च] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$, कान्तिवीर्यं E 2d अन्नात्सत्त्वं च] Σ , अन्ना सत्वञ्च E_{02} , अन्नात्सत्त्वं E • जायते] E0, जाय E1 • जाय E2 • जायते] E2 • अन्ना E3 • अन्ना E4 • जन्ति वीर्यं E5 • जाय E7 • जन्ना E8 • जन्ना जी • E9 • जन्म E9 • जन्ना E9 • जन्म E9 • ज

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अन्नदः प्राणद्श्येव प्राणद्श्यापि सर्वदः ।
तस्मादन्नसमं दानं न भूतं न भविष्यति ॥ ७:५ ॥
[वस्त्रदानम्]
वस्त्राभावान्मनुष्यस्य श्रियाद्पि परित्यजेत् ।
वस्त्रहीनो न पूज्येत भार्यापुत्रसखादिभिः ॥ ७:६ ॥
विद्यावान्सुकुलीनो ऽपि ज्ञानवान्गुणवानपि ।
वस्त्रहीनः पराधीनः परिभूतः पदे पदे ॥ ७:७ ॥
अपमानमवज्ञां च वस्त्रहीनो द्यवाप्रुयात् ।
जुगुप्सति महात्मापि सभास्त्रीजनसंसदि ॥ ७:८ ॥
तस्माद्वस्त्रप्रदानानि प्रशंसन्ति मनीषिणः ।
न जीर्णं स्फुटितं दद्याद्वस्त्रं कुत्सितमेव वा ॥ ७:९ ॥
नवं पुराणरहितं मृदु सूक्ष्मं सुशोभनम् ।
स्रसंस्कृत्य प्रदातव्यं श्रद्धाभक्तिसमन्वतम् ॥ ७:१० ॥

 $^{5 \}approx \mathrm{SDhU}\ 1.27$: अन्नदः प्राणदः प्रोक्तः प्राणदश्चापि सर्वदः । तस्मादन्नप्रदानेन सर्वदानफलं लभेत् ॥ $\approx \mathrm{MBh}\ \mathrm{suppl}\ 14.4.2285-86$: अन्नदः प्राणदो लोके प्राणदः सर्वदो भवेत् । तस्मादन्नं विशेषेण दातव्यं भूतिमिच्छता ॥ $\approx \mathrm{N}ar{\mathrm{a}}\mathrm{radaP}\ 1.13.71$: अन्नदः प्राणदः प्रोक्तः प्राणदश्चापि सर्वदः । सर्वदानफलं यस्मादन्नदस्य नृपोत्तम ॥ $\mathbf{5cd} = \mathrm{SDhU}\ 7.31\mathrm{cd} \approx \mathrm{MBh}\ 13.62.6\mathrm{ab}$: अन्नेन सदशं दानं न भूतं न भविष्यति

⁵a अन्नदः] Σ , अन्नद E 5b प्राणदश्चापि] Σ , प्राणश्चापि K_{10} • सर्वदः] Σ , सर्वदाः C_{02} 5d भूतं] $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, $\stackrel{1}{\longrightarrow}$ तन् C_{94} , भूते C_{45} , भूतो E 6a ॰ भावान्म॰] Σ , ॰ भावात्म॰ $K_{82}K_7$ 6b श्रियादिप] Σ , प्रियादिप C_{45} , श्रिया वापि K_7 8a ॰ वज्ञां] Σ , ॰ वज्ञं E 8b ॰ ही नो] Σ , ॰ ही C_{45} 9c जीण स्फुटितं] Σ , जीणस्फिटितं $K_{10}E$ 9d कुित्सतमेव वा] Σ , कुित्सतमेव च C_{02} , कुित्सतमेव वा K_7 10b स्थूमं] Σ , स्थूम C_{02} , शुक्रं E 10c ॰ दातव्यं] Σ , ॰ दातव्यं C_{02} 10d ॰ समिन्वतम्] Σ , ॰ तं K_{32}^{a2}

श्रद्धासत्त्विविशेषेण देशकालिविधेन च । पात्रद्रव्यविशेषेण फलमाहुः पृथक्पृथक् ॥ ७:११ ॥ यादृशं दीयते वस्त्रं तादृशं प्राप्यते फलम् ।

यादृशं दीयतं वस्त्रं तादृशं प्राप्यतं फलम् । जीर्णवस्त्रप्रदानेन जीर्णवस्त्रमवाप्नुयात् । शोभनं दीयते वस्त्रं शोभनं वस्त्रमाप्नुयात् ॥ ७:१२ ॥

दद्याद्वस्त्र सुशोभनं द्विजवरे काले शुभे सादरं सौभाग्यमतुलं लभेत स नरो रूपं तथा शोभनम् । तस्मिन्याति सुवस्त्रकोटि शतशः प्राप्नोति निःसंशयं तस्मात्त्वं कुरु वस्त्रदानमसकृत्पारित्रकोत्कर्षणम् ॥ ७:१३ ॥

[सुवर्णदानम्] सुवर्णदानं विप्रेन्द्र संक्षिप्य कथयाम्यहम् । पवित्रं मङ्गलं पुण्यं सर्वपातकनाशनम् ॥ ७:१४॥ धारयेत्सततं विप्र सुवर्णकटकाङ्गुलिम् । मुच्यते सर्वपापेभ्यो राहुणा चन्द्रमा यथा ॥ ७:१५॥

¹¹ cf. Manu 7.86-87 (the latter usually labelled as an additional verse): पात्रस्य हि विशेषेण श्रद्दधानतयाइव च । अल्पं वा बहु वा प्रेत्य दानस्य फलमश्रुते ॥ देशकालिवधानेन द्रव्यं श्रद्धा-समिन्वतम् । पात्रे प्रदीयते यत्तु तद्धर्मस्य प्रसाधनम् ॥ 15cd=22.38 below = a line inserted after MBh 1.56.18 in some manuscripts as indicated in the critical edition

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दत्त्वा सुवर्णं विप्रेभ्यो देवेभ्यश्च द्विजर्षभ ।
तुटिमात्रे ऽपि यो दद्यात्सर्वपापैः प्रमुच्यते ॥ ७:१६ ॥
रिक्तमाषककर्षं वा पलार्धं पलमेव वा ।
एवमेव फलंवृद्धिर्ज्ञेया दानिवशेषतः ॥ ७:१७ ॥
[भूमिदानम्]
सर्वाधारं महीदानं प्रशंसन्ति मनीिषणः ।
अन्नवस्त्रहिरण्यादि सर्वं वै भूमिसम्भवम् ॥ ७:१८ ॥
भूमिदानेन विप्रेन्द्र सर्वदानफलं लभेत् ।
भूमिदानसमं विप्र यद्यस्ति वद तत्त्वतः ॥ ७:१९ ॥
मातृकुक्षिविमुक्तस्तु धरणीशरणो भवेत् ।
चराचराणां सर्वेषां भूमिः साधारणा स्मृता ॥ ७:२० ॥
एकहस्तं द्विहस्तं वा पञ्चाशच्छतमेव वा ।
सहस्रायुतलक्षं वा भूमिदानं प्रशस्यते ॥ ७:२१ ॥

एकहस्तां च यो भूमिं दद्याद्विजवराय तु ।

 K_{10} , ॰वृर्ष्टि ज्ञेया K_7 18a ॰धारं] C_{45} , ॰धार॰ $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ 18ab ॰दानं प्रशंसन्ति] Σ , दा \simeq (नम्प्र)-1. सन्ति C_{94} 18d सर्वं वै] Σ , सर्वं (वे) C_{94} (tops of akṣaras lost) 19b ॰फलं लभेत्] Σ , ॰ललं भवेत् K_{10}^{ac} , ॰लं भवेत् K_7 20a ॰मुक्तस्तु] Σ , ॰मुक्तस्तु E 20b ॰शरणों] Σ , ॰शरणं E 21a

एवं बहुषु हस्तेषु गुणागुणि फलं स्मृतम् । श्रद्धाधिकं फलं दानं कथितं ते द्विजोत्तम ॥ ७:२३॥ जामदृश्येन रामेण भूमिं दत्त्वा द्विजाय वै । आयुरक्षयमाप्तं तु इहैव च द्विजोत्तम ॥ ७:२४॥

[गोदानम] हेमश्रङ्गां रौप्यक्षुरां चैलघण्टां द्विजोत्तम । विप्राय वेदविदुषे दत्त्वानन्तफलं स्मृतम् ॥ ७:२५॥

[दानप्रशंसा]

दानाभ्यासरतः प्रवर्तनभवां शक्यानुरूपं सदा अन्नं वस्त्रहिरण्यरोप्यमुद्कं गावस्तिलान्मेदिनीम् । दद्यात्पादुकछत्त्रपीठकलशं पात्राद्यमन्यच वा श्रद्धादानमभिन्नरागवदनं कृत्वा मनो निर्मलम् ॥ ७:२६॥

 $25ab \approx VagMaPr$ 17.33ab: हेमश्रङ्गां रौप्यखुरां चैलघण्टावलिम्बिनीम् । 25 cf., e.g., MBh 7.58.18: तथा गाः किपला दोग्धीः सर्षभाः पाण्डुनन्दनः । हेमश्रङ्गी रूप्यखुरा दत्त्वा चके प्रदक्षिणम् ॥ and BhavP Uttara 12.25: हेमश्रंगीं रौप्यखुरां सघंटां कांस्यदोहनाम् । महादेवाय गां दद्यादीक्षिताय द्विजाय वै ॥

25ab Omitted in K₁₀

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दानादेव यशः श्रियः सुखकराः ख्यातिमतुल्यां लभेद् दानादेव निगर्हणं रिपुगणे आनन्ददं सौख्यदम् । दानादूर्जयता प्रसादमतुलं सौभाग्य दानाल्लभेद् दानादेव अनन्तभोग नियतं स्वर्गं च तस्माद्भवेत् ॥ ७:२७॥

दानादेव च शकलोकसकलं दानाज्जनानन्दनं दानादेव महीं समस्त बुभुजे सम्राङ्गहीमण्डले । दानादेव सुरूपयोनिसुभगश्चन्द्राननो वीक्ष्यते दानादेव अनेकसम्भवसुखं प्राप्नोति निःसंशयम् ॥ ७:२८॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे दानप्रशंसाध्यायः सप्तमः ॥

²⁷a यशः] $C_{45}K_7E$, यश $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$ • सुखकराः] Σ , सुखकर K_7^{pc} • ख्यातिमतुल्यां | em., ख्यातिश्च तुल्यं $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} K_7 E$ • रुभेद् | Σ , भवेत् $K_7 E$ निगर्हणं] $C_{94}^{\it pc}C_{02}K_{82}E$, निर्हणं $C_{94}^{\it ac}$, निवर्हणं $C_{45}K_7$, निगर्हन K_{10} ullet ०गणे आनन्ददं सौख्यदम्] Σ , ०गणै आनन्ददं सौख्यदम् C_{02} , ०गणैश्चानन्दसौख्यप्रदम् E (27c) दानादूर्जयता] Σ , दानादूर्जयतां K_{s2} , दानादु॰ E • प्रसाद॰] Σ , प्रासाद॰ K_{s2} • सौभाग्य] Σ , सौगाग्य C_{45} , सौभाग्यं E (unmetr.) ullet दानाल्लभेद्] $C_{45}E$, दानं लभेत् $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$ $\mathbf{K}_{10}\mathbf{K}_7$ $\mathbf{27d}$ दानादेव] Σ , दानादोव \mathbf{C}_{02} • ०नियतं] Σ , ०नियत \mathbf{C}_{02} शकलोकसकलं] Σ , शत्रुलोकसकलं \mathbf{K}_{82} , शकलोकमतुलं \mathbf{E} ullet दानाज्ञullet \mathbf{C}_{94} , दानार्ज॰ C_{45} (28b) दानादेव] Σ , दानेदेव C_{45} • महीं समस्त] conj., महीसमासु C_{45} C_{02} , महीं समांसु $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}$, मही समस्त K_{10} , महीयसां स $E \bullet$ सम्राङ्ग $\circ \] \ \Sigma$, संम्राङ्ग \circ C_{45} (28c) सुरूप॰] Σ , स्वरूप॰ K_{10} • ॰ ॰ योनिसु॰] $K_{10}E$, ॰ योनिस्सु॰ C_{94} ० योनिः सु॰ C₄₅C₀₂K₈₂K₇ • ०भगश्च॰] C₉₄C₀₂K₁₀K₇, ०भग च॰ C₄₅K₈₂E • ०न्द्राननो] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, ॰न्द्रानने $C_{02}K_{10}$, ॰न्द्राननौ K_7 • वीक्ष्यते] $C_{45}C_{02}$, वीक्षते $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}$ K_7 , विक्षते E (28d) निःसंशयम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7$, निसंशयः C_{02} , निःसंशयः $K_{82}E$, (Colophon:) ॰प्रशंसाध्यायः सप्तमः] Σ , ॰प्रशंसाध्यायः समाप्तः C_{45} , निस्सयः K₁₀ **०प्रशंसा सप्तमो ऽध्यायः** E

[अष्टमो ऽध्यायः]

[नियमेषु स्वाध्यायः (५)]

पञ्चस्वाध्यायनं कार्यमिहामुत्र सुखार्थिना । शौवं सांख्यं पुराणं च स्मार्तं भारतसंहिताम् ॥ ८:१॥

शैवे तत्त्वं विचिन्तेत शैवपाशुपतद्वये ।

अत्र विस्तरतः प्रोक्तं तत्त्वसारसमुच्चयम् ॥ ८:२ ॥

संख्यातत्त्वं तु सांख्येषु बोद्धव्यं तत्त्वचिन्तकैः । पञ्चतत्त्वविभागेन कीर्तितानि महर्षिभिः ॥ ८:३॥

पुराणेषु महीकोषो विस्तरेण प्रकीर्तितः ।

अधोर्ध्वमध्यतिर्यं च यत्नतः सम्प्रवेशयेत् ॥ ८:४॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 204r-205v, C_{45} ff. 210v-211v, C_{02} ff. 280v-282r, K_{82} ff. 11v-13r, K_{10} exp. 53 (lower) – 54 (lower), K_7 ff. 219v-221r, P_{57} exp. 426-428, K_{41} ff. 213r-214v, E pp. 603-606; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

अष्टमो ऽध्यायः

स्मार्तं वर्णाश्रमाचारं धर्मन्यायप्रवर्तनम् । शिष्टाचारो ऽविकल्पेन ग्राह्यस्तत्र अशङ्कितः ॥ ८:५॥

इतिहासमधीयानः सर्वज्ञः स नरो भवेत् । धर्मार्थकाममोक्षेषु संशयस्तेन छिद्यते ॥ ८:६॥

[नियमेष्वुपस्थनिग्रहः (६)]

शृणुष्वावहितो विप्र पञ्चोपस्थविनिग्रहम् । स्त्रियो वा गर्हितोत्सर्गः स्वयंमुक्तिश्च कीर्त्यते । स्वप्नोपघातं विप्रेन्द्र दिवास्वप्नं च पञ्चमः ॥ ८:७॥

[स्त्रियः] अगम्या स्त्री दिवा पर्वे धर्मपल्यिप वा भवेत् । विरुद्धस्त्रीं न सेवेत वर्णभ्रष्टाधिकासु च ॥ ८:८॥

[गर्हितोत्सर्गः] अजमेषगवादीनां वडवामहिषीषु च । गर्हितोत्सर्गमित्येतद्यत्नेन परिवर्जयेत् ॥ ८:९॥

⁵a स्मार्तं वर्णा०] C_{94} , तस्मार्त्तम्वर्णणी० C_{45} , स्मार्तवर्णा० $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7K_{41}E$, स्मार्त्तं वर्णणं० P_{57} 5b धर्म०] Σ , धर्मं C_{02} • ०वर्तनम्] Σ , ०व \times न P_{57} , ०वर्तन E 5c शिष्टा०] Σ , शिष्ट० K_{41} • ०चारो] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7K_{41}$, ०चार० $C_{02}E$, ०चारा K_{82} , ०चा(रो)० P_{57} 5d ग्राह्यस्तत्र अशिक्षतः] Σ , ग्राह्यस्त \times \times 'हिंतोत्सर्गः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$ P_{57} , गिर्हितोत्सर्गः C_{02} गिर्हितोत्सर्गः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$ P_{57} , गिर्हितोत्सर्गः C_{02} , गिर्हितो विप्र C_{82} , गिर्हितो स्वर्गः $C_{41}E$ 7d स्वयं०] $E_{41}E$ 7d स्वयं०] $E_{42}E$ शक्षी दिवा पर्वे] $E_{45}E$ शक्षी $E_{41}E$ 7d स्वयं०] $E_{45}E$ शक्षी दिवा पर्वे] $E_{45}E$ शक्षी $E_{41}E$ 8d ०धिकासु च] $E_{41}E$ विरुद्धस्त्री न $E_{41}E$ १विरुद्धस्त्री न $E_{41}E$ १

[स्वयंमुक्तिः]

अयोनिकषणा वापि अपानकषणापि वा । स्वयंमुक्तिरियं ज्ञेया तस्मात्तां परिवर्जयेत् ॥ ८:१०॥

[स्वप्नघातम्]

स्वप्नघातं द्विजश्रेष्ठ अनिष्टं पण्डितैः सदा । स्वप्ने स्त्रीषु रमन्ते च रेतः प्रक्षरते ततः ॥ ८:११ ॥

[दिवास्वप्नम्]

दिवाशयं न कर्तव्यं नित्यं धर्मपरेण तु ।

स्वर्गमार्गार्गला ह्येताः स्त्रियो नाम प्रकीर्तिताः ॥ ८:१२ ॥

[नियमेषु व्रतपञ्चकम् (७)]

मार्जारकबकश्वानगोमहीव्रतपञ्चकम् । [मार्जारकव्रतम्] स्वविष्ठमूत्रं भूमीषु छादयेद्विजसत्तम । सूर्यसोमानुमोदन्ति मार्जारव्रतिकेषु च ॥ ८:१३॥

12cd cf. PadmaP 1.13.395cd : परित्यजध्वं दाराणि स्वर्गमार्गार्गलानि च

¹⁰a अयोनि॰] conj., अन्योन्य॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}E$ • ०कषणा] $C_{94}K_{82}$, ०कषणा $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}E$ 10b • कषणापि] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$, ०कषणापि $K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}E$ 10c स्वयंमुक्ति॰] Σ , स्वयमुक्ति॰ C_{45} • ज्ञेया] Σ , ज्ञेयां K_{10} 10d तस्मात्तां] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}K_{41}$, तस्मात्तं C_{02} , तस्मात्तां K_{10} , तस्मात्स्त्री E 11a स्वप्नघा॰] Σ , स्वप्नजा॰ P_{57}^{ac} 11b पण्डितैः] Σ , पण्डितै C_{02} , पण्डितैः K_{7} 11c रमन्ते] Σ , रमक्षन्ते K_{41} 11d प्रक्षरते] Σ , प्रस्वलतस् E • ततः] Σ , तत C_{02} 12a दिवाशयं न] $C_{\Sigma}P_{57}K_{41}E$, दिवाशयंत्र K_{82} , दिवासयानं K_{10} , दिवाशायं K_{7} 12b नित्यं] Σ , नित्य K_{10} • ०परेण तु] Σ , ०परेन तु C_{94} , ०परेण च C_{02} 12c ह्येताः] K_{7} , ह्येता $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}E$ 12d स्त्रियो] Σ , स्त्रीयो E • ०कीर्तिताः] Σ , ०कीर्तिता K_{7} 13ab मार्जारकवकश्वानगोमहीव्रत॰] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}$, मार्जारवकवश्वानगोमहीव्रत॰ K_{10} , मार्जारकवकश्वानगोमहीवेक॰ K_{41} , मार्जारकश्व श्वानाश्च गोमहीवक E 13c ०विष्ठ॰] Σ , ०विष्टा॰ E • ०मूत्रं] Σ , ०मूत्र॰ $C_{45}K_{10}$ 13e ०मोदन्ति] Σ , ०षादन्ति E

अष्टमो ऽध्यायः

[बकव्रतम्]

बकवचेन्द्रियग्रामं सुनियम्य तपोधन । साधयेच मनस्तुष्टिं मोक्षसाधनतत्परः ॥ ८:१४॥

[श्वानव्रतम्]

मूत्रविष्ठे न भूमीषु कुरुते घुनदं सदा । तुष्यते भगवान्दार्वः श्वानव्रतचरो यदि ॥ ८:१५॥

[गोव्रतम्]

मूत्रवर्ची न रुध्येत सदा गोव्रतिको नरः । भीमस्तुष्टिकरश्चैव पुराणेषु निगद्यते ॥ ८:१६॥

[महीव्रतम्]

कुद्दालैर्दारयन्तो ऽपि कीलकोटिशतैश्चितः । क्षमते पृथिवी देवी एवमेव महीव्रतः ॥ ८:१७॥

व्रतपञ्चकमित्येतद्यश्चरेत जितेन्द्रियः ।

स चोत्तमिदं लोकं प्राप्नोति न च संशयः ॥ ८:१८॥

¹⁴a तपोधन] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}$, तपोधनः K_7 , तपोधनम् $K_{41}E$ 14c साधयेच] Σ , साधये च C_{45} • मनस्तुष्टिं] Σ , मनस्तुष्टिं • $C_{45}C_{02}$ 14d • साधनं •] Σ , ॰ सानं • K_7 15a मूत्रविष्टे न] Σ , मूत्रविष्टे च E 15b धुनदं] Σ , श्वानंदः K_{82} , छादनं E 15c शर्वः] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, सर्वः $C_{45}K_{10}$, सव्यः C_{02} 16a ॰ वर्चो] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}$, ॰ वर्चो $C_{45}K_{82}$, ॰ वर्चो $C_{45}K_{41}$ $C_{45}K_{41}$ $C_{45}K_{42}$, ॰ वर्चो $C_{45}K_{41}$ $C_{45}K_{41}$ $C_{45}K_{42}$ $C_{45}K_{42}$, ॰ वर्चो $C_{45}K_{41}$ $C_{45}K_{42}$ $C_$

[नियमेष्वुपवासः (८)]

शेषान्नमन्तरान्नं च नक्तायाचितमेव च । उपवासं च पञ्चेतत्कथयिष्यामि तच्छृणु ॥ ८:१९ ॥

[शेषान्नम्] वैश्वदेवातिथिशेषं पितृशेषं च यद्भवेत् । भृत्यपुत्रकलत्रेभ्यः शेषाशी विघसाशनः ॥ ८:२०॥

[अन्तरान्नम्] अन्तरा प्रातराशी च सायमाशी तथैव च । सदोपवासी भवति यो न भुङ्के कदाचन ॥ ८:२१॥

[नक्तान्नम्] न दिवा भोजनं कार्यं रात्रौ नैव च भोजयेत् । नक्तवेले च भोक्तव्यं नक्तधर्मं समीहता ॥ ८:२२॥

 $²¹cd \approx MBh\ 12.214.9$: अन्तरा प्रातराशं च सायमाशं तथैव च । सदोपवासी च भवेद्यो न भुङ्के कथंचन ॥ $\approx MBh\ 13.93.10$: अन्तरा सायमाशं च प्रातराशं तथैव च । सदोपवासी भवित यो न भुङ्के उन्तरा पुनः ॥

¹⁹a शेषान्नमन्तरान्नं च] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}^{pc}$, शेषाणामन्तराणाञ्च $C_{02}E$, शेषान्नमन्नरान्नं च K_{82} , शेषान्नमन्तरानं च P_{57}^{ac} , शेषाणमन्तराणाञ्च K_{41} 19b नक्तायाचित०] Σ , नक्त(या)चित० K_{7} • च] Σ , वा E 19cd पञ्चैतत्क०] Σ , पञ्चैते क० C_{02} 20a ०शेषं] Σ , ०शेषां C_{45} 20d विघसाशनः] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}$, विघसासनम् C_{45} , विघसाषिनः C_{02} , विघशासनः K_{7} , विघसाश(नः) P_{57}^{pc} , घसाशन P_{57}^{ac} , विघसासनः K_{41} , विषसासनः E 21a अन्तरा प्रातराशी] em., अन्तरा प्रान्तराशी $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$, अन्तरा (कन्त)राशी K_{10} , अन्तारा प्रा(त्त)राशी P_{57} , अन्तमा प्रान्तराशी च K_{41} , अन्तसम्प्रान्तराशी E 21b सायमाशी] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}P_{57}$, सायमाशीन् C_{94} , नायमाशी K_{41} , नियमाशी E 21c ०वासी भवति] Σ , ०वासी च भवित C_{02} 21d कदाचन] Σ , कदाचनः C_{02} 22a भोजनं] Σ , नोजनं K_{7} 22b च] Σ , तु C_{45} , om. K_{82} • भोजयेत्] Σ , कारयेत् K_{10} 22c ०वेले च] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}K_{41}$, ०वेला च C_{45} , ०वेलो च K_{7} , ०वेले व E 22d ०धमं समीहता] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}P_{57}$, ०धमंसमीहता $C_{02}K_{10}$, ०धम्मंसमीहितः E

अष्टमो ऽध्यायः

[अयाचितान्नम्] अनारभ्य य आहारं कुर्यान्नित्यमयाचितम् । परैर्दत्तं तु यो भुङ्के तमयाचितमुच्यते ॥ ८:२३॥

[उपवासः]

भक्ष्यं भोज्यं च लेह्यं च चोष्यं पेयं च पश्चमम् । न काङ्क्षेन्नोपयुञ्जीत उपवासः स उच्यते ॥ ८:२४॥

[नियमेषु मौनव्रतम् (९)]

मिथ्यापिशुनपारुष्यतीक्ष्णवागप्रलापनम् । मौनपञ्चकमित्येतद्धारयेन्नियतव्रतः ॥ ८:२५॥

[मिथ्यावचनम्] असम्भूतमदृष्टं च धर्माचापि बहिष्कृतम् । अनर्थाप्रियवाक्यं यत् तन्मिथ्यावचनं स्मृतम् ॥ ८:२६ ॥

²³a अनारम्य य] conj., अनारम्भस्य $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} K_7 P_{57} K_{41} E$ 23b कुर्यात्रि०] Σ , कुर्या नि० K_7 23c परैर्द्तं तु] $C_{94} C_{45} K_{82} P_{57} K_{41}$, परै दत्तञ्च C_{02} , परै दत्तन्तु K_{10} , परैर्दन्तन्तु $K_7 E$ 23d तमयाचि०] $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} K_7 E$, नमयाचि० $P_{57}^{ac} K_{41}$, (तम)याचि० P_{57}^{pc} 24a भक्ष्यं] Σ , भक्ष्य K_{82} 24c काङ्क्षत्रो०] Σ , काङ्क्ष्वं नो० C_{02} • ०युज्जीत] $C_{02} K_{82} K_{10} K_{41}$, \circ = \simeq त C_{94} , \circ यज्जीत C_{45} , \circ भुज्जीत K_7 , \circ भुज्जीत $P_{57} E$ 24d • वासः स] $C_\Sigma K_{82} P_{57} E$, • वास स K_{10} , • वासस्य K_7 , • वासंः स K_{41} 25a • पारुष्य•] $C_{94} C_{45} K_{82} K_{10} K_7 P_{57}$, • संभिन्ना C_{02} , संभिन्ना C_{41} , V_{41} , • व्याभिन्ना E 25b • तीक्ष्णवाग•] conj., • स्पृष्टवाग• $C_{94} C_{45} K_{82} K_{10} K_7 P_{57}$, पृष्टवाक• $C_{02} K_{41}$, पृष्टतेवाक• E 25c मौनपञ्चक•] $C_{94} C_{45} K_{10}$, मौनं पञ्चक• $C_{02} K_{82} K_7 K_{41} E$, मौनपञ्च• P_{57} • • त्येत•] Σ , • त्ये॰ P_{57}^{ac} 25d • रयेन्नि०] Σ , • रयन्नि० E 26a • दृष्टं च] Σ , E ह्यं E E 26b धर्माञ्चापि] E E E 36 धर्माञ्चापि E • विहष्कृतं E 36 धर्माञ्चापि] E E E 36 धर्माञ्चापि] E E 36 धर्माञ्चापि E 36 विहष्कृतं E 36 धर्माञ्चापि] E 37 धर्मेश्चापि E 38 विष्कृतं E 38 धर्मेश्चापि E 38 विष्कृतं E 39 धर्मेश्चापि E 39 विष्कृतं E 39 धर्मेश्चापि E 39 विष्कृतं E 30 विष्कृतं E 30 धर्मेश्चापि E 39 विष्कृतं E 30 धर्मेश्च E 31 धर्मेश्च E 32 धर्मेश्च E 32 धर्मेश्च E 33 धर्मेश्च E 33 धर

[पिशुनः]

परश्रीं नाभिनन्दन्ति परस्यैश्वर्यमेव च । अनिष्टदर्शनाकाङ्की पिशुनः समुदाहृतः ॥ ८:२७॥

[पारुष्यम्]

मृत माता पिता चैव हानिस्थानं कथं भवेत् । भुङ्ख कामममृष्टानां पारुष्यं समुदाहृतम् ॥ ८:२८॥

[तीक्ष्णवाक्] हृदि न स्फुटसे मूढ शिरो वा न विदार्यसे । एवमादीन्यनेकानि तीक्ष्णवादी स उच्यते ॥ ८:२९॥

[असत्प्रलापः]

द्यूतभोजनयुद्धं च मद्यस्त्रीकथमेव च । असत्प्रलापः पञ्चेतत्कीर्तितं मे द्विजोत्तम ॥ ८:३०॥

मौनमेव सदा कार्यं वाक्यसौभाग्यमिच्छता । अपारुष्यमसम्भिन्नं वाक्यं सत्यमुदीरयेत् ॥ ८:३१॥

अष्टमो ऽध्यायः

यस्तु मौनस्य नो कर्ता दूषितः स कुलाधमः । जन्मे जन्मे च दुर्गन्धो मूकश्चैवोपजायते ॥ ८:३२॥

तस्मान्मौनव्रतं सदैव सुदृढं कुर्वीत यो निश्चितं वाचा तस्य अलङ्खता च भवति सर्वां सभां नन्दति । वक्राच्चोत्पलगन्धमस्य सततं वायन्ति गन्धोत्कटाः शास्त्रानेकसहस्रशो गिरि नरः प्रोच्चार्यते निर्मलम् ॥ ८:३३॥

[नियमेषु स्नानम् (१०)]

स्नानं पञ्चविधं चैव प्रवक्ष्यामि यथातथम् । आग्नेयं वारुणं ब्राह्यं वायव्यं दिव्यमेव च ॥ ८:३४॥

[आग्नेयं स्नानम्] आग्नेयं भस्मना स्नानं तोयाच्छतगुणं फलम् । भस्मपूतं पवित्रं च भस्म पापप्रणाशनम् ॥ ८:३५॥

³²b दूषितः] Σ , दूषित C_{02} , भूषितः E 32c जन्मे जन्मे] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{41}$ E, जन्म जन्म $C_{94}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$ • दुर्गन्यो] $C_{94}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}$, दुर्गन्यो C_{45} , दुर्गन्यो C_{02} , दुर्गन्यो C_{82} , हर्गन्यो C_{94} , तस्मात्मौं C_{45} , C_{82} • सदैव] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}P_{57}E$, सदेव $C_{02}K_7K_{41}$, सुदैत्य C_{10} • कुर्वीत यो निश्चितम्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, कुर्वन्ति योन्निश्चितम् $C_{02}K_{82}$, कुर्वन्ति योन्निश्चित C_{10} , अलंघ्यताञ्च C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , अलंघ्यताञ्च C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , सर्वा स्त्रा C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , सर्वा सभा C_{10} , सर्वा सम्य C_{10} , सर्वा स्त्रा C_{10} , सर्वा सम्य C_{10} , सर्वा स्त्रा C_{10} , सर्वा सर्व C_{10} , सर्व सर्व C_{10} , सर

तस्माद्भस्म प्रयुज्जीत देहिनां तु मलापहम् ।
सर्वशान्तिकरं भस्म भस्म रक्षकमुत्तमम् ॥ ८:३६ ॥
भस्मना त्र्यायुषं कृत्वा ब्रह्मचर्यव्रते स्थितम् ।
भस्मना ऋषयः सर्वे पिवत्रीकृतमात्मनः ॥ ८:३७ ॥
भस्मना विबुधा मुक्ता वीरभद्रभयार्दिताः ।
भस्मानुशंसं दृष्ट्वेव ब्रह्मणानुमितः कृता ॥ ८:३८ ॥
चतुराश्रमतो ऽधिक्यं व्रतं पाशुपतं कृतम् ।
तस्मात्पाशुपतं श्रेष्ठं भस्मधारणहेतुतः ॥ ८:३९ ॥
[बारुणं स्नानम्]
वारुणं सिलिलं स्नानं कर्तव्यं विविधं नरैः ।
नदीतोयतडागेषु प्रस्रवेषु हृदेषु च ॥ ८:४० ॥

⁽³⁶a) तस्माद्भस्म प्रयुञ्जीत] Σ , $\stackrel{\sim}{=}\stackrel{\sim}{=}\stackrel{\sim}{=}$ त K_{10} (36b) मला॰] Σ , पला॰ K_{41} 36c सर्व॰] Σ , (ए)ना॰ K_{41} 37a त्र्यायुषं कृत्वा] Σ , त्र्यायुimesimes C_{94} , त्र्यायुघ्यं कृत्वा P_{57} (37b) ०वते] Σ , ०वत ० $K_{41}E$ (37c) ऋषयः सर्वे] Σ , ऋषिभिसीं E38a मुक्ता] Σ , मुक्ताः E 38b ०र्दिताः] Σ , ०र्त्तिताः C_{45} 38c भरमानुशंसं दृष्ट्वेव] corr. Törzsök, भस्मानुसंसं दृष्ट्येव C_{94} , भस्मानुशंसां दृष्ट्वव C_{45} , भस्मानुसंसदृष्टेव $C_{02}K_{10}$, भस्मानुसंसन्दर्श्वेव K_{82} , भस्मानुशंसंदर्श्वेवं K_7 , भस्मानुशंसं दृष्टेव P_{57} , भस्मानुशंसं (दृष्टै)व K_{41} , भस्मना शं प्रदृश्येवं E (38d) ब्रह्मणानुमतिः] em., ब्रह्मणानुमता C_{Σ} $K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}$, ब्राह्मणानुमतो $K_{41}E$ • कृता] em., कृतः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, कृतिः C_{02} , कृताः K_{82} (39a) चतुराश्रमतो | $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}P_{57}E$, चातुराश्रमतो $C_{94}K_7$ K_{41} , चतुराश्रतो K_{82}^{ac} , चातुराश्रमतो K_{82}^{pc} (39ab) ऽधिक्यं व्रतं पाशुपतं कृतम्] Σ , om. K_{10} **39d** ॰ हेतुतः] em. Törzsök, ॰ हेतवः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, ॰ हेतुना C_{02} , ॰हेतुनुतः K_{10} (40a) वारुणं] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}E$, वा $\simeq C_{94}$, वारुणा K_{τ}^{ac} , वारुण K_{τ}^{pc} , वरुणं K_{41} ullet सिललं] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}P_{57}$, सिलल $K_{7}K_{41}E$ ullet 40b विविधं नरैः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{41}$, विविन्नरैः K_{10} , विधिवन्नरैः $K_{7}P_{57}E$ (40c) ०तडागेषु] Σ , ॰तडागेवा \mathbf{K}_{10} $\mathbf{40d}$ प्रस्रवेषु] Σ , प्रयेवेषु \mathbf{K}_{10} , प्रभवेषु \mathbf{K}_{7}

अष्टमो ऽध्यायः

[ब्राह्यं स्नानम्]

ब्रह्मस्नानं च विप्रेन्द्र आपोहिष्ठं विदुर्बुधाः ।

त्रिसंध्यमेव कर्तव्यं ब्रह्मस्नानं तदुच्यते ॥ ८:४१ ॥

[वायव्यं स्नानम्]

गोषु संचारमार्गेषु यत्र गोधूलिसम्भवः ।

तत्र गत्वावसीदेत स्नानमुक्तं मनीषिभिः ॥ ८:४२ ॥

[दिव्यं स्नानम्]

वर्षतोयाम्बुधाराभिः स्नावयित्वा स्वकां तनुम् ।

स्नानं दिव्यं वद्त्येव जगदादिमहेश्वरः ॥ ८:४३ ॥

इति नियमविभागः पञ्चभेदेन विप्र

निगदित तव पृष्टः सर्वलोकानुकम्प्य ।

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न भवति पुनजन्म कल्पकोट्यायुते ऽपि ॥ ८:४४ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे नियमप्रशंसा नामाध्यायो ऽष्टमः ॥

⁴¹a विप्रेन्द्र] Σ , विपेन्द्र K_7P_{57} 41b विदुर्बु॰] Σ , विर्दुर्बु॰ K_7 42d ०क्तं] Σ , ०क्त K_{10} 43b तनुम्] Σ , तनं K_7 43c दिव्यं] Σ , दिव्य $K_{10}K_{41}$ 43d जगदादि॰] Σ , गजदादि॰ C_{45} 44a ॰भागः] Σ , ॰भागं K_7 44b निगदित तव] E, निगदितस्तव $C_\Sigma K_{82}K_{10}K_7P_{57}K_{41}$ (unmetr.) • ॰कम्प्य] C_{94} , ॰कम्प $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_7P_{57}$, ॰कम्पः K_{10} , ॰कम्प्यः $K_{41}E$ 44c ॰पहारी] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$, ॰पहारि $C_{94}K_7$ (unmetr.), ॰प्रहारि $K_{82}P_{57}K_{41}$, ॰पहारे E • ॰पञ्चाशदेतन्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}^{re}K_7P_{57}$, ॰पञ्चाशमेतन् $C_{02}K_{41}E$, ॰पञ्चादेतन् K_{10}^{ae} 44d पुनजन्म] $C_{02}K_{10}$, पुनर्जन्म $C_{94}K_{82}K_7P_{57}K_{41}E$, पुनर्(जर्म) C_{45} Colophon: इति वृषसारसंग्रहे नियमप्रशंसा नामाध्यायो ऽष्टमः] P_{57} , इति वृषसारसंग्रहे नियमप्रशंसा नामाध्याया अष्टमः $C_{94}K_{82}K_{41}$, $Om.C_{45}$, इति वृषसारसंग्रहे नियमप्रशंसा नामाध्याया ऽष्टमः K_7 , इति वृषसारसंग्रहे नियमप्रशंसा नाम अष्टमो ऽध्यायः E

[नवमो ऽध्यायः]

[त्रैगुण्यम्]

[अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।]
त्रिकालगुणभेदेन भिन्नं सर्वचराचरम् ।
तस्मात्तिगुणबन्धेन वेष्टितं निखिलं जगत् ॥ ९:१ ॥
विगतराग उवाच ।
त्रैकाल्यमिति किं ज्ञेयं त्रैधातुकशरीरिणः ।
किंचिद्विस्तरमेवेह कथयस्व तपोधन ॥ ९:२ ॥
अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।
त्रैकाल्यं त्रिगुणं ज्ञेयं व्यापी प्रकृतिसम्भवः ।
अन्योन्यमुपजीवन्ति अन्योन्यमनुवर्तिनः ॥ ९:३ ॥

3cd \approx BrahmāṇḍaP 1.4.9–10 : एत एव त्रयो लोका एत एव त्रयो गुणाः । एत एव त्रयो वेदा एत एव त्रजो ऽग्नयः ॥ परस्परान्वया ह्येते परस्परमनुव्रताः । परस्परेण वर्तन्ते प्रेरयन्ति परस्परम् ॥ \approx VāyuP 1.5.16–17ab \approx LiP 1.70.78–79

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 205v–207r, C_{45} ff. 211v–212v, C_{02} ff. 282r–283v, K_{82} ff. 13r–14v, K_{10} exp. 54 (lower) – 55 (lower), K_7 ff. 221r–222v, E pp. 606–609; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

¹a त्रिकाल०] Σ , त्रिष्काल० C_{02} • ०भेदेन] Σ , ०भेन K_{10}^{ac} 1b भिन्नं] Σ , भिन्न K_{10} 1c तस्मान्ति०] Σ , तस्मा त्रि० $C_{02}K_7$ 2a ०काल्यम्] Σ , ०कालम् $C_{94}K_7$ 2ab कि होयं त्रै०] $C_{94}K_7$, विहोयं त्रै० $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}E$, कि होयम्त्रै० C_{02} 2b ०धातुक०] Σ , ०धायुक्त० E 2c किंचि०] Σ , सात्त्विको भगव् विष्णु राजसः कमलोद्भवः । तामसो भगवानीशः सकलं विक किञ्चि० C_{45}^{ac} (eyeskip to 9.5) • ०वेह] Σ , ०तिद्ध E 2d कथयस्व] Σ , क Ξ Ξ Ξ G_{94} 3a ०काल्यं] Σ , ०काल्य G_{02} • ०गुणं] Σ , ०गुण G_{02}

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सत्त्वं रजस्तमश्चैव रजः सत्त्वं तमस्तथा । तमः सत्त्वं रजश्चैव अन्योन्यमिथुनाः स्मृताः ॥ ९:४ ॥ सात्त्विको भगवान्विष्णू राजसः कमलोद्भवः । तामसो भगवानीशः सकलंविकलेश्वरः ॥ ९:५ ॥ सत्त्वं कुन्देन्दुवर्णामं पद्मरागनिमं रजः । तमश्चाञ्जनशैलामं कीर्तितानि मनीिषिभः ॥ ९:६ ॥ सत्त्वं जलं रजो ऽङ्गारं तमो धूमसमाकुलम् । एतद्गुणमयैर्वद्धाः पच्यन्ते सर्वदेहिनः ॥ ९:७ ॥ विगतराग उवाच । केन केन प्रकारेण गुणपाशेन बध्यते । चिह्नमेषां पृथत्त्वेन कथयस्व तपोधन ॥ ९:८ ॥ अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । अनेकाकारभावेन बध्यन्ते गुणबन्धनैः । मोहिता नाभिजानन्ति जानन्ति शिवयोगिनः ॥ ९:९ ॥

 ${f 4d} pprox$ BrahmāṇḍaP 1.4.11ab : अन्योन्यं मिथुनं ह्येते अन्योन्यमुपजीविनः pprox VāyuP 1.5.17cd pprox LiP 1.70.80ab 5 cf. BrahmāṇḍaP 1.4.6cd : सत्त्वं विष्णू रजो ब्रह्मा तमो रुद्रः प्रजापतिः

⁴a सत्त्वं] Σ , सत्व K_{10} • रजस्त॰] Σ , रजत॰ E 4b रजः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}$, रज॰ $C_{02}K_{10}E$ • सत्त्वं तमस्तथा] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}$, सत्त्वं तमन्तथा C_{45} , सत्वस्तमस्तथा C_{02} K_{10} , सत्त्वतमस्तथा E 4c तमः सत्त्वं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}$, तमसत्व॰ C_{02} , तमः सत्व॰ $K_{10}E$ • रजश्चैव] Σ , रजःश्चैव C_{45} 4d स्मृताः] Σ , om. C_{02} 5a ॰ष्णू] corr., ॰ष्णु $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 5b राजसः कमलोद्भवः] Σ , (राज)××××× C_{94} 5cd तामसो भगवानीशः सकलं] Σ , ××××××××× (सकलम) C_{94} 6a सत्त्वं] Σ , सत्व $C_{02}K_{7}$ • ०वर्णामं] Σ , ०वर्णामं C_{02} , ०वर्णामं C_{82} 6c ॰मं] Σ , ०मा E 7a जलं] Σ , रजं C_{02} , ज्वाल C_{10} 0 • रजो ऽङ्गारं] Σ , राङ्गोङ्गारन् C_{02} 0, रजोङ्गरन् E 7d ॰देहिनः] Σ , ०देहिना C_{45} 8b गुण॰] Σ , om. C_{94} 8c ॰पां पृथक्तेन C_{10} 0 • रजो C_{10} 1 जानित्त] Σ , ०णा पृथकेन C_{10} 2 • भिजानित्त] Σ , ०भिजानीन्ति C_{02} 3 जानित्त] Σ , от. C_{45} 6

ऊर्ध्वंगो नित्यसत्त्वस्थो मध्यगो रजसावृतः ।

अधोगतिस्तमोऽवस्था भवन्ति पुरुषाधमाः ॥ ९:१० ॥

स्वर्गे ऽपि हि त्रयो वैते भावनीयास्तपोधन । मानुषेषु च तिर्येषु गुणभेदास्त्रयस्त्रयः ॥ ९:११ ॥

[सात्त्विकोत्तमाः]

ब्रह्मा विष्णुश्च रुद्रश्च धर्म इन्द्रः प्रजापतिः ।

सोमो ऽग्निर्वरुणः सूर्यो दश सत्त्वोत्तमाः स्मृताः ॥ ९:१२ ॥

[सात्त्विकमध्यमाः]

रुद्रादित्या वसुसाध्या विश्वेशमरुतो ध्रुवः ।

ऋषयः पितरश्चैव दशैते सत्त्वमध्यमाः ॥ ९:१३ ॥

[सात्त्विकाधमाः]

तारा ग्रहाः सुरा यक्षा गन्धर्वाः किनरोरगाः ।

रक्षोभूतिपशाचाश्च दशैते सात्त्विकाधमाः ॥ ९:१४ ॥

¹⁰a ऊर्ध्वंगो नित्य] conj., ऊर्ध्वाङ्गो नित्य॰ $C_\Sigma K_{82}^{pc} E$, ऊर्ध्वाङ्गा नत्य॰ K_{82}^{ac} , ऊर्ध्वंगो सित्य॰ K_{10}^{ac} , उर्ध्वाङ्गो नित्य॰ K_7 • ०सत्त्व॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, ०सत्य॰ $C_{02}E$, ०नित्य॰ K_{10} (10b) मध्यगो] Σ , मध्यमो E • ०वृतः] Σ , ०वृतम् E (10c) ०गितस्तमो॰] Σ , ०गितितमो॰ $C_{45}C_{02}$ (11c) मानुषेषु] Σ , मनुष्येषु C_{45} , मानुष्येषु K_7 • तिर्येषु] Σ , तीर्येषु E (11d) ०स्रयः] Σ , ०स्त्रः C_{45}^{ac} (12b) धर्म इन्द्रः] Σ , इमं इन्द्र C_{45} , धर्मिरेन्द्र॰ E (12c) ग्रिवंरुणः] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7$, ग्रि वरुण $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$ E (12d) दश] Σ , दशः E • सत्त्वोत्तमाः] Σ , सत्वत्तमाः C_{45} , सत्तोतमाः K_7 (13ab) ०दित्या वसुसाध्या] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, ०दित्या वसुसाध्या C_{02} , ०दित्य वसुसाध्याः वि॰ E (13b) विश्वेश॰] Σ , दशेश C_{94} , विश्वेशि॰ C_{02} (13d) दशैते] Σ , दशैतेते C_{45}^{ac} (14a) ग्रहाः सुरा] Σ , ग्रहास्वराः C_{02} , ग्रहाऽसुरा E (14b) गन्धवां:] $C_{94}K_{10}K_7E$, गन्धवां $C_{45}K_{82}$, गन्धवां: गन्धवां C_{02} (14c) ०पिशाचाश्च] Σ , ०पिशाश्चाश्च K_7 (14d) दशैते] Σ , दशेते C_{45} • सात्त्विका॰ C_{45}

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[राजसोत्तमाः] ऋत्विक्पुरोहिताचार्ययज्वानो ऽतिथि विज्ञनी । राजा मन्त्री वृती वेदी दशैते राजसोत्तमाः ॥ ९:१५॥

[राजसमध्यमाः]

सूतो ऽम्बष्टवणिश्चोग्रः शिल्पिकारुकमागधाः । वेणवैदेहकामात्या दशैते रजमध्यमाः ॥ ९:१६॥

[राजसाधमाः]

चर्मकृत्कुम्भकृत्कोली लोहकृत्तपुनीलिकाः । नटमुष्टिकचण्डाला दशैते रजसाधमाः ॥ ९:१७॥

[तामसोत्तमाः]

गोगजगवया अश्वमृग्चामरिकेनराः ।

सिंहव्याघ्रवराहाश्च दशैते तामसोत्तमाः ॥ ९:१८ ॥

[तामसमध्यमाः]

अजमेषमहिष्याश्च मूषिकानकुलादयः ।

उष्ट्ररङ्कराशगण्डा दशैते तममध्यमाः ॥ ९:१९ ॥

17c = UMS 2.10a, 2.20a = UUMS 2.31c

[तामसाधमाः]

ऋक्षगोधामृगशृङ्गिबकवानरगर्दभाः ।

सुकरश्वानगोमायुर्दशैते तामसाधमाः ॥ ९:२० ॥

[तमसात्त्विकाः]

कौञ्चहंसशुकश्येनभासबारुण्डसारसाः ।

चकाह्वराकमायूरा दशैते तमसात्त्विकाः ॥ ९:२१ ॥

[तमराजसाः]

बलाकाः कुक्कुटाः काकाश्चिल्ललावकतित्तिराः ।

गृध्रकङ्कबकरयेन दशैते तमराजसाः ॥ ९:२२ ॥

[तामसाधमादि]

कोकिलोलूककञ्जल्यकपोताः पञ्च एव च ।

शारिकाश्च कुलिङ्गाश्च दशैते तमसाधमाः ॥ ९:२३ ॥

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मकरगोहनकाश्च ऋक्षाश्च तमसात्त्विकाः । कच्छपशिशुकुम्भीरमण्डूकास्तमराजसाः ।

शङ्खशुक्तिकशम्बूकाः कवय्यस्तमतामसाः ॥ ९:२४ ॥

चन्दनागरुपद्मं च प्रक्षोदुम्बरिपप्यलाः ।

वटदारुशमीबिल्वा दशैते तमसात्त्विकाः ॥ ९:२५ ॥

जाम्बीरलकुचाम्रातदाडिमाकोलवेतसाः ।

निम्बनीपो +ध्रवावश्च+ दशैते तमराजसाः ॥ ९:२६ ॥

वृक्षवल्लीलतावेणुत्वक्सारतृणभूरुहाः ।

मीरजाश्च शिलाशस्या दशैते तमसात्त्विकाः ॥ ९:२७ ॥

भ्रमरालि पतङ्गाश्च किमिकीटजलौकसः ।

⁽²⁴a) ०गोहनकाश्च] Σ , ०गोहनका च C_{02} , ०ग्रोहनकाश्च K_{10} (24b) ऋक्षाश्च]conj., ऋषा च $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ ● तमसात्त्विकाः] E, तम(स्सा) \cong C_{94} , तमःसात्विकाः $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$ (unmetr.), तसमात्विकाः K_7 (24c) ०शिशू० | em., ०शुशू० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$ $\mathbf{K}_{_{10}}\mathbf{K}_{_{7}}\mathbf{E}$ • ०कुम्भीर०] Σ , ०कम्भीरा $\mathbf{C}_{_{02}}\mathbf{E}$ 24d) ०मण्डूका०] Σ , ०मण्डूक० $\mathbf{K}_{_{10}}$, ॰मण्डुका॰ E (24e) शम्बूकाः] corr., ॰शम्बूका $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} E$, ॰(स)म्बूकाः K_7 (24f) ०कवय्य॰] conj., ०कवन्ध्या॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}^{pc}K_{7}E$, ०कवन॰ K_{10}^{ac} ● ०मतामसाः] $C_{45}E$, ॰मस्तामसाः $C_{94}C_{02}K_7$ (unmetr.), ॰मःतामसाः $K_{82}K_{10}$ (unmetr.) 25a ॰गरु॰] Σ , ॰गुरु॰ E (25c) ॰बिल्वा] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, ॰बिल्व $C_{02}K_{10}K_7$ (25d) दशैते] Σ , दशै C_{02} • तमसात्त्विकाः] E, तमस्सात्विकाः C_{94} (unmetr.), तमःसात्विकाः $C_{45}C_{02}$ $K_{s2}K_{10}K_7$ (unmetr.) 26a) जाम्बीर \circ] Σ , जम्बीर \circ C_{02} 26b) \circ दांडिमा \circ] Σ , ॰द्रांडिमा॰ C_{02} , ॰द्रांडि(हा)॰ K_{82} (26c) ॰नीपो] Σ , ॰नीपौ K_7 • भ्रवावश्च] Σ , धवावश्च C_{94}^{pc} , धुवावश्च E (26d) दशैते] Σ , $===C_{94}$ (27a) वृक्षविहाि] Σ , (वृक्षवल्ली) K_{10} (27b) •त्वक्सारतृण•] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, •त्वक्सारस्तृण• $C_{02}E$, ॰त्वकसारतण॰ K_{7} (unmetr.) 27c मीरजाश्च | corr., मीरजा च $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ E, मीनजा च C_{45} (27d) तमसात्त्विकाः] K_7E , तमस्सात्विकाः C_{94} , तमःसात्विकाः $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}$ (unmetr.), तमःसाधिकाः K_{10} (unmetr.) 28a ॰आलि] em., C_{Σ} $K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ • पतङ्गाश्च] Σ , पतङ्गानां E (28b) क्रिमिकीटजलौकसः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$, क्रिमिकीटजलोकसः K_{10} , क्रिमिकीटजलौक(साः) K_7 , किमिकीटजलौकसां E

यूकोइंशमशानां च विष्ठाजास्तमसात्त्विकाः ॥ ९:२८ ॥ दया सत्यं दमः शौचं ज्ञानं मौनं तपः क्षमा । शीलं च नाभिमानं च सात्त्विकाश्चोत्तमा जनाः ॥ ९:२९ ॥ कामतृष्णारितयूतमानो युद्धं मदः स्पृहा । निर्घृणाः कलिकर्तारो राजसेषूत्तमा जनाः ॥ ९:३० ॥ हिंसासूयाघृणामूढिनिद्रातन्द्रीभयालसाः । कोघो मत्सरमायी च तामसेषूत्तमा जनाः ॥ ९:३१ ॥ लघुप्रीतिप्रकाशी च ध्यानयोगे सदोत्सुकः । प्रज्ञाबुद्धिविरागी च सात्त्विकं गुणलक्षणम् ॥ ९:३२ ॥ बालको निपुणो रागी मानो दर्पश्च लोभकः । स्पृहा ईर्षा प्रलापी च राजसं गुणलक्षणम् ॥ ९:३३ ॥

²⁸c यूकोइंशमशानां च] C_{94} , यूकोदंशमशानाञ्च $C_{45}K_{82}$, यूकोदंशमसकानाञ्च C_{02} (unmetr.), यूकोदंशमसानान्तु K_{10} , (यूकोइं) $\stackrel{.}{=}$ $\stackrel{.}{=$

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उद्वेग आलसो मोहः क्रूरस्तस्करनिर्दयः । क्रोधः पिशुन निद्रा च तामसं गुणलक्षणम् ॥ ९:३४ ॥

[आहारस्त्रेगुण्ये]

विगतराग उवाच । केन चिह्नेन विज्ञेय आहारः सर्वदेहिनाम् । त्रैगुण्यस्य पृथक्तवेन कथयस्व तपोधन ॥ ९:३५ ॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।

आयुः कीर्तिः सुखं प्रीतिर्बलारोग्यविवर्धनम् ।

हृद्यस्वादुरसं स्निग्ध आहारः सात्त्विकप्रियः ॥ ९:३६ ॥

अत्युष्णमास्रलवणं रूक्षं तीक्ष्णं विदाहि च । राजसश्रेष्ठ-आहारो दुःखशोकामयप्रदः ॥ ९:३७॥

अभक्ष्यामेध्यपूती च पूति पर्युषितं च यत् ।

कूरस्त॰ K_{10} • ॰ निर्दयः | Σ , ॰ निर्दयाः K_7 (34c) क्रोधः | Σ , क्रोध॰ C_{45} • पिशुन | E, पिशुनो $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ • च] Σ , om. K_{10} (34d) गुण । Σ , गु • C_{45}^{ac} (35ab) केन चिह्नेन विज्ञेय आहारः सर्वदेहिनाम् $\mid \; \Sigma, \; exttt{ iny Y} = exttt{ iny Y} = exttt{ iny X}$ केन चिह्नेन विज्ञेय आहार सर्वदेहिनाम् K_{10} (35c) पृथक्तवेन] Σ , पृथक्केण K_7 (35d) ०धन] Σ , ॰धनः K_7 (36a) कीर्तिः] Σ , किर्तिः E • सुखं प्रीतिर्ब॰] K_7 , सुखं प्रीतिब॰ C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, सुखप्रीति ब॰ C_{02} , सुखं प्रितिव॰ E 36b ॰रोग्य॰] Σ , ॰रोग्यं C_{45} (36c) ह्रद \circ \to ०रसं \to $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, ०रस C_{02} , \circ (रस) K_{10} , ०रसां K_{7} , ०रसा E ● स्निग्ध] Σ , स्निग्धं K_{82} , (सन्दिग्ध) K_{10} (36d) आहार:] $C_{04}^{pc}K_{10}K_{7}E$, आहार $C_{04}^{ac}C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}$ • सात्त्विकप्रियः] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}$, सात्विकप्रिया C_{02} , सात्विकप्रिय \mathbf{K}_{10} , सात्विकः कियाः E (37a) ०.८०] Σ , ०.८० \bullet ०.००वणं] Σ , ०.००क्षणं \mathbf{C}_{45} (37b) तीक्ष्णं] Σ , ती(क्ष्ण) C_{94} , स्तीक्षं $E \bullet$ विदाहि च] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, \preceq (दाहि च) C_{94} , विदाहिक C_{02}^{pc} , विदाहिकः C_{02}^{ac} E (37cd) राजसश्रेष्ठ आहारो दुःखशोकामयप्रदः] C_{02} , राजसः श्रेष्ठ आहारो दुःखशोकामयप्रदः K_{10} , राजसे श्रेष्ठमाहारो दुःखशोकाभयप्रदः ${
m E}$ (38a) अभक्ष्यामेध्यपूती च] em., अभक्ष्यमेध्यपूती च $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$, अभक्षमेध्यपूती च K_{10} , अभक्षामेध्यपूर्ती च K_7 , अभक्षमद्यपूर्ती वै E

आमयारसविस्वाद आहारस्तामसप्रियः ॥ ९:३८ ॥ [गुणातीतम्]

विगतराग उवाच । गुणातीतं कथं ज्ञेयं संसारपरपारगम् । गुणपाशनिबद्धानां मोक्षं कथय तत्त्वतः ॥ ९:३९ ॥

अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच । आत्मवत्सर्वभूतानि सम्यक्पश्येत भो द्विज । गुणातीतः स विज्ञेयः संसारपरपारगः ॥ ९:४० ॥

ईर्षाद्वेषसमो यस्तु सुखदुःखसमाश्च ये । स्तुतिनिन्दासमा ये च गुणातीतः स उच्यते ॥ ९:४१ ॥

तुल्यप्रियाप्रियो यश्च अरिमित्रसमस्तथा । मानापमानयोस्तुल्यो गुणातीतः स उच्यते ॥ ९:४२ ॥

एष ते कथितो विप्र गुणसद्भावनिर्णयः ।

40ab ≈ PadmaP 1.19.337ab: आत्मवत्सर्वभूतानि यः पश्यित स पश्यित 40 cf. BhG 6.32: आत्मोपम्येन सर्वत्र समं पश्यित यो ऽर्जुन । सुखं वा यिद वा दुःखं स योगी परमो मतः ॥ 41ab cf. VSS 11.51ab: न्यसेद्धर्ममधर्मं च ईर्ष्याद्वेषं परित्यजेत and BhG 14.25: मानाप-मानयोस्तुल्यस्तुल्यो मित्रारिपक्षयोः । सर्वारम्भपरित्यागी गुणातीतः स उच्यते ॥ and also BhG 12.13: अद्वेष्टा सर्वभूतानां मैत्रः करुण एव च । निर्ममो निरहंकारः समदुःखसुखः क्षमी ॥ 42 cf. BhG 14.24cd−25: तुल्यिप्रयाप्रियो धीरस्तुल्यिनन्दात्मसंस्तुतिः ॥ मानावमानयोस्तुल्यस्तुल्यो मित्रारिपक्षयोः । सर्वारम्भपरित्यागी गुणातीतः स उच्यते ॥

³⁸c आमया॰] conj., आयाम॰ $C_\Sigma K_{82} K_{10} K_7$, आयास॰ E 38d ॰मस॰] Σ , ॰मसः $C_{02} E$ • ॰प्रियः] Σ , ॰प्रियाः C_{02} 39a ॰तीतं] Σ , ॰तीत $C_{02} K_{10}$ 39b ॰गम्] Σ , ॰गः C_{02} 39c ॰बद्धानां] Σ , ॰वद्धानां C_{45} , ॰बद्धामां E 40a ॰भूतानि] Σ , ॰भूतां K_{82} 40b सम्यक्प॰] Σ , सम्यत्प॰ K_{82} 40c ॰तीतः] $C_{94} C_{45} K_{82} K_{10}$, ॰तीत $C_{02} K_7$, ०तीतं E 41a ईर्षा॰] Σ , ईर्ष्या॰ $K_7 E$ 41b ॰समाश्च ये] Σ , ॰समाश्च ये K_{10} 41d ॰तीतः] K_{10} 42a तुल्य॰] K_{10} ९सद्धाव॰] K_{10} ९सद्धाव॰ K_{10}

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गुणयुक्तस्तु संसारी गुणातीतः पराङ्गतिः ॥ ९:४३ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे त्रैगुण्यविशेषणीयो नामाध्यायो नवमः ॥

⁴³d गुणातीतः] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$, गुणातीत $C_{45}K_{10}K_7E$ • पराङ्गितिः] E, पराङ्गितिम् $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ (Colophon: oविशेषणीयो] corr., oविशेषनीयो $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ • नामाध्यायो नवमः] Σ , नाम नवमो ऽध्यायः E

[दशमो ऽध्यायः]

[कायतीर्थोपवर्णनम्]

विगतराग उवाच ।
कतमं सर्वतीर्थानां श्रेष्ठमाहुर्मनीषिनः ।
कथयस्व मुनिश्रेष्ठ यद्यस्ति भुवि कामदम् ॥ १०:१ ॥
अनर्थयज्ञ उवाच ।
अतिगुह्यमिदं प्रश्नं पृष्टः स्नेहाद्विजोत्तम ।
बवीमि वः पुरावृत्तं निन्दिना कथितो ऽस्म्यहम् ॥ १०:२ ॥
निन्दिकेश्वर उवाच ।
कैलासिशाखरे रम्ये सिद्धचारणसेविते ।
तत्रासीनं शिवं साक्षाद्देवी वचनमब्रवीत् ॥ १०:३ ॥
देव्युवाच ।
भगवन्देवदेवेश सर्वभूतजगत्पते ।
प्रष्टुमिच्छाम्यहं त्वेकं धर्मगुद्धं सनातनम् ॥ १०:४ ॥

3ab cf. MBh 12.327.18cd : मेरौ गिरिवरे रम्ये सिद्धचारणसेविते

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 207r–208v, C_{45} ff. 212v–214r, C_{02} ff. 283v–285v, K_{82} ff. 14v–15v, K_{10} exp. 55 (lower) – 56 (lower), K_7 ff. 222v–223v, E pp. 610–613; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

1a कतमं सर्व०] Σ , कतमसर्व० K_{10} , कथमन्सर्व० K_7 1ab ०तीर्थानां श्रेष्ठ०] Σ , ०तीर्था $\simeq \simeq$ ੲ० C_{94} 1b मनीषिनः] Σ , मनीषिभिः E 1d भृवि] Σ , भूरि E • ०दम्] Σ , ०दः K_{82} 2b स्नेहाद्वि०] Σ , स्नेहा द्वि० C_{02} 2d ऽस्म्यहम्] Σ , स्मृहम् C_{02} 3 निन्द०] Σ , नन्दी० C_{45} 3a कैलास०] Σ , कैलाशे E 4a ०देवेश] Σ , ०देश C_{45} 4b ०पते] Σ , ०पतिम् K_{82}^{*2} 4c धर्म०] Σ , ६५ (मैं) K_{82}

दशमो ऽध्यायः

अतितीर्थं परं गृह्यं संसाराद्येन मुच्यते ।
मनुष्याणां हितार्थाय ब्रूहि तत्त्वं महेश्वर ॥ १०:५॥
महेश्वर उवाच ।
को मां पृच्छित तं प्रश्नं मुक्त्वा त्वामेव सुन्दिरे ।
श्रणु वक्ष्यामि तं प्रश्नं देवैरिप सुदुर्लभम् ॥ १०:६॥
कुरुक्षेत्रं प्रयागं च वाराणसीमतः परम् ।
गङ्गाग्निं सोमतीर्थं च सूर्यपुष्करमानसम् ॥ १०:७॥
नैमिषं बिन्दुसारं च सेतुबन्धं सुरद्रहम् ।
घण्टिकेश्वरवागीशं ज्ञात्वा निश्चयपापहा ॥ १०:८॥
उमोवाच ।
एवमादि महादेव पूर्ववत्कथितास्म्यहम् ।
स्वर्गभोगप्रदं तीर्थमेतेषां सुरनायक ॥ १०:९॥
कथं मुच्येत संसाराज्ज्ञानमात्रेण ईश्वर ।
कौतूहलं महज्जातं छिन्धि संशयकारकम् ॥ १०:१०॥

⁵a ०तीर्थं] Σ , ०तीर्थं $K_{10}E$ 5ab गुद्धं संसाराद्येन मुच्यते] Σ , (ग) L_{-}^{1} (सं)साराद्येन मुच्यते K_{10} 5d ०श्वर] Σ , ०श्वरः C_{02} 6a तं प्रश्नं] $K_{82}K_{10}$, तत्प्रश्न $C_{94}C_{45}$, तत्प्रश्नं $C_{02}E$, तं प्रश्नं K_{7} 6b मुक्ता] Σ , मुक्ता E 6c तं प्रश्नं] K_{7} , तत्प्रश्नं $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}E$ 7c गङ्गाप्तिं] $C_{94}C_{45}$, गङ्गाप्ति $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, गङ्गाऽप्ति॰ E 8a नेमिषं] Σ , नेमिस K_{7} 8b ० वन्यं] Σ , ० वन्यं E • ० दहम्] Σ , ० इदं E 8c ० वागीशं] Σ , L_{-}^{1} (गीश) L_{10} 8d निश्चयपापहा] Σ , निश्च(य) $\Sigma \simeq C_{94}$ 9b कथिता॰] Σ , L_{-}^{1} (गीश) Σ 0 8d निश्चयपापहा] Σ 1, निश्च(य) $\Sigma \simeq C_{94}$ 9b कथिता॰] Σ 2, तिश्वं Σ 3, त्रिथं ने Σ 4, त्रियं ने Σ 5, तिश्वं Σ 5, तिश्वं ने Σ 5, तिश्वं Σ 6, तिश्वं Σ 7, तिश्वं Σ 8 9d सुरनायक] Σ 7, तिश्वं Σ 8, त्रिवं Σ 8, त्रिवं Σ 9, त्रवं Σ 9, त्रिवं Σ 9, त्रवं Σ 9

रुद्र उवाच । किं न जानामि तत्तीर्थं सुलभं दुर्लभं च यत् । सुलभं गुरुसेवीनां दुर्लभं तद्विवर्जयेत् ॥ १०:११ ॥

्रिक्संत्रम्।
[कुरुक्षेत्रम्]
कुरुः पुरुष विज्ञेयः शरीरं क्षेत्र उच्यते ।
शरीरस्थं कुरुक्षेत्रं सर्वतीर्थफलप्रदम् ॥ १०:१२ ॥
सर्वयज्ञफलावाप्तिः सर्वदानफलानि च ।
सर्वव्रततपश्चीर्णं तत्फलं सकलं भवेत् ॥ १०:१३ ॥
एवमेव फलं तेषां तीर्थपञ्चदशेषु च ।
अनघानं महापुण्यं महातीर्थं महासुखम् ॥ १०:१४ ॥
देव्युवाच ।
अतीव रोमहर्षों मे जातो ऽस्ति त्रिदशेश्वर् ।
सुलभं सुकरं सूक्ष्मं श्रुत्वा तृष्टिश्च मे गता ॥ १०:१५ ॥

12b cf. BhG 13.1 : इदं शरीरं कौन्तेय क्षेत्रमित्यभिधीयते । एतद्यो वेत्ति तं प्राहुः क्षेत्रज्ञ इति तिहुः ॥ 13ab \approx UMS 21.48cd : सर्वयज्ञफलावाप्तिः सर्वदानफलं लभेत् \approx VSS 11.2ab

¹¹a जानामि] $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}$, जाना(मि) K_{82}^{ac} , जाना(सि) K_{82}^{pc} , जानासि $K_{7}E$ 11b दुर्लभं च] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}E$, दुलभञ्च $C_{45}K_{7}$, दुल्लभञ्च C_{02} 11c सुलभं गुरुसेवीनां] Σ , $\simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq$ वीनां C_{94} 11d ०वर्जयेत] Σ , ०वर्जये K_{82} , ०वर्जनात् E 12a कुरुः] Σ , गुरुः K_{10} • पुरुष] E, पुरुषः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$ (unmetr.), पुरुषो K_{7} (unmetr.) 12b शरीरं] Σ , शरी(र) C_{94} • क्षेत्र उच्यते] Σ , क्षेत्रमुच्यते K_{82} 12c ०स्थं] Σ , ०स्थ K_{7} • ०क्षेत्रं] Σ , ०क्षेत्र K_{7} 13d तत्फलं] Σ , तत्फल K_{7} 14b तीर्थपञ्चदशेषु] Σ , तीर्थम्पंचदशेषु C_{45} 14c अनघानं महापुण्यं $C_{45}K_{7}$, $\simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq$ पुण्य C_{94} , अनप्याम्महापुण्यं C_{02} (hypermetr.), अनध्यानं महापुण्यं C_{82} , अध्यानन्तु महापुण्यं C_{10} , स्नानध्यानं महापुण्यं E 15a अतीव] E, अवीव E_{45} 15b ऽस्ति] E, तिप्त E E0 गता] E1, तिदशेश्वरः E1, तिदशेश्वरः E2, तिदशेश्वरः E3, तिदशेश्वरः E4, तिदशेश्वरः E4, तिदशेश्वरः E5, तिदशेश्वरः E5, तिदशेश्वरः E6, तिदशेश्वरः E7, तिदशेश्वरः E8, तिदशेश्वरः E9, तिदशेश्वरः E1, तिदशेश्वरः E1, तिदशेश्वरः E3, तिदशेश्वरः E4, तिदशेश्वरः E5, तिदशेश्वरः E5, तिदशेश्वरः E7, तिदशेश्वरः E8, तिदशेश्वरः E9, तिदशेश्वरः E9, तिदशेश्वरः E9, तिदशेश्वरः E9, तिदशेशवरः E1, तिदशेशवरं E9, तिदशेशवरः E1, तिदशेशवरः E1, तिदशेशवरं E2, तिदशेशवरं E1, तिदशेशवरं E1, तिदशेशवरं E1, तिदशेशवरं E2, तिदशेशवरं E3, तिदशेशवरं E3, तिदशेशव

दशमो ऽध्यायः

चतुर्दश परो भूयः कथयस्व मनोहरम् । प्रयागादि पृथक्तवेन तत्त्वतस्तु सुरेश्वर ॥ १०:१६ ॥

[प्रयागो वाराणसी च]

रुद्र उवाच।

सुषुम्ना भगवती गङ्गा इडा च यमुना नदी ।

एताः स्रोतोवहा नद्यः प्रयागः स विधीयते ॥ १०:१७ ॥

दक्षिणा वारुणी नासा वामनासा असि स्मृता । वारुणा-असिमध्येन तेन वाराणसी स्मृता ॥ १०:१८॥

[गङ्गा

आकाशगङ्गा विख्याता तस्याः स्रवति चामृतम् । अहोरात्रमविच्छिन्नं गङ्गा सा तेन उच्यते ॥ १०:१९॥

[सोमतीर्थम] सोमतीर्थमिडा नाडी किङ्किणीरविचिह्निता । तं तु श्रुत्वा न संदेहः सर्वपापक्षयो भवेतु ॥ १०:२०॥

¹⁶d तत्त्वतस्तु] Σ , तत्वत K_{82}^{ac} 17a सुषुम्ना] Σ , सुषुम्णा E • भगवती गङ्गा] Σ , भगवती ग \cong C_{94} , भवती गङ्गा E 17c एताः स्रोतोवहा] em., एता श्रोतवहा $C_{94}K_7E$, एते श्रोतावहा $C_{45}C_{02}$, एता श्रोत्रवहा $K_{82}K_{10}$ 18a दक्षिणा] Σ , दिक्षि(णं) C_{94} , दिक्षणं C_{02} • वारुणी] $K_{82}^{pc}K_7E$, वरुणी $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}^{ac}K_{10}$, वरुणा C_{45} 18b • नासा] Σ , •ना $C_{45}K_{10}$ 18c वारुणा-असिमध्येन] E, वरुणा असिमध्येन $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, वारुणन्नासमध्येत C_{02} , वरुण असिमध्येन C_{10} 19b तस्याः] Σ , तस्मा C_{02} , तस्या C_{10} 19d तेन] Σ , ते C_{02} 20a • तीर्थमिंडा] Σ , •तीर्थ इंडा C_{45} 20b किङ्किणी | Σ , चिञ्चिनी C_{02} • •रव॰] Σ , •रवि॰ C_{45}^{ac} , •राव॰ E • ॰चिह्नता] Σ , •चिह्नता C_{02} , •चिह्नता C_{10} 0 तं तु] corr., (तन्तु) C_{94} , तन्तु $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_7$ E, त(त्तु) C_{10} 0 • न संदेहः] Σ , वरारोहेः C_{02}

[सूर्यतीर्थम्]

सूर्यतीर्थं सुषुम्ना च नीरवारवसंयुता । श्रुतिमात्राद्विमुच्येत पापराशिर्महानपि ॥ १०:२१॥

[अग्नितीर्थम] अग्नितीर्थार्जुना नाडी ब्रह्मघोषमनोरमा । तत्तदक्षरमाकण्यं अमृतत्वाय कल्पते ॥ १०:२२ ॥

[पुष्करम्]

पुष्करं हृदि मध्यस्थमष्टपत्तं सकर्णिकम् । चिन्तयेत्सूक्ष्म तन्मध्ये जन्ममृत्युविनाशनम् ॥ १०:२३ ॥

[मानसम्]

मानससरमध्यस्थं स हंसः कमलोपरि । सलीलो लीलयाचारी परतः परपारगः ॥ १०:२४॥

[नैमिषम्] नैमिषं शृणु देवेशि निमिषा प्रत्ययो भवेत् । सम्यग्छायां निरीक्षेत आत्मानो वा परस्य वा ॥ १०:२५॥

22cd = 22.31

²¹a ०तीर्थं] Σ , ०तीर्थ K_{10} • सुषुम्ना] Σ , सुषुम्णा E 21b नीरवा०] E, वीरवा० $C_{94}C_{02}$, चीरवा० $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ • ०युता] $C_{94}K_{82}K_7E$, ०युतम् $C_{45}C_{02}$, ०युतां K_{10} 21c ०मात्रा०] Σ , ०माता० C_{02} 22a ०र्जुना] Σ , ०जुना C_{02} , ०र्जुनं E 22b ०रमा] Σ , ०रमाः K_7E 22c ०कण्यं] Σ , ०ण्यं C_{45} 22d कल्पते] $C_{45}K_7E$, क \simeq -1. C_{94} , कल्प्यते $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$ 23b ०पत्तं] $C_{45}K_{82}K_7E$, \simeq C_{94} , ०पत्र $C_{02}K_{10}$ • ०कणिकम्] Σ , \simeq \simeq C_{94} , ०कणिकाम् E 23c सूक्ष्म] Σ , (सूक्ष्म) C_{94} , सूक्ष्मं E 24a मानस०] $C_{45}K_{82}$, (मानस) C_{94} , मानसं $C_{02}K_{10}K_7E$ 24b स हंसः] C_{91} , सहंस० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$, सहसं C_{45} 24c सलीलो] Σ , सलीला E 24d परतः] Σ , परत E0 निमिषा प्रत्ययो भवेत्] E1, निमि प्रत्ययो भवेत् E2, परस्य च E3 परस्य च E4 परस्य च E5 परस्य च E5 परस्य च E5 परस्य च E7.

दशमो ऽध्यायः

आयतमङ्गुलीमात्रं निमिषाक्षिः स पश्यति । दृष्ट्वा प्रत्ययमेवं हि नैमिषज्ञः स उच्यते ॥ १०:२६॥

[बिन्दुसरः] तीर्थं बिन्दुसरं नाम शृणु वक्ष्यामि सुन्दरि । देहमध्ये हृदि ज्ञेयं हृदिमध्ये तु पङ्कजम् ॥ १०:२७॥

कर्णिका पद्ममध्ये तु बिन्दुः कर्णिकमध्यतः । बिन्दुमध्ये स्थितो नादः स नादः केन भिद्यते ॥ १०:२८॥

उकारं च मकारं च भित्त्वा नादो विनिर्गतः । तं विदित्वा विशालाक्षि सो ऽमृतत्वं लभेत च ॥ १०:२९॥

[सेतुबन्धम] वक्ष्ये ते सेतुबन्धं दुरितमलहरं नादतोयप्रवाहं जिह्वाकण्ठोरकूला स्वरगणपुलिनावर्तघोषा तरङ्गा ।

 $²⁷cd \approx 22.24ab$ 27~cf. NiśvK 5.55 : एतेषां नादमध्ये तु शिवं तत्र व्यवस्थितः । हृद्यं देहमध्ये तु तत्र पद्मं व्यवस्थितम् ॥ 28 cf. NiśvK 5.56 : किंगिका पद्ममध्ये तु अकारं तस्य मध्यतः । तस्य मध्ये विनिष्कान्तं नादं परमदुर्लभम् ॥ 29ab = NiśvK 5.57ab

²⁶a आयतमङ्गुली॰] conj., आयतप्यङ्गुली॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{s2}K_{10}$, आयातप्यङ्गुली॰ $K_{7}E$ • ॰मात्रं] Σ , ॰मात्र K_{7} , ॰मध्ये E 26b ॰िक्षः] em., ॰िक्ष $C_{\Sigma}K_{s2}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 26d नैमिषज्ञः] Σ , नैमिसंज्ञः C_{45} , नैमिषज्ञ C_{02} 27a तीर्थं बिन्दु॰] Σ , तीर्थमिन्दु॰ E 27c हृदि ज्ञेयं] Σ , om. E_{45} 28a ॰मध्ये] E_{45} , ॰प्ध्ये E_{45} 28c बिन्दुमध्ये] E_{45} , (बिन्दु) E_{45} 28d भिद्यते] E_{45} , (वि) द्यते E_{45} , विद्यते $E_{$

कुम्भीराघोषमीना दशगणमकरा भीमनका विसर्गा सानुस्वारे गभीरे मदसुखरसनं सेतुबन्धं व्रजस्व ॥ १०:३०॥

[सुरद्रहः]

सप्तद्वीपान्तमध्ये शृणु शशिवदने सर्वदुःखान्तलाभम् ईशानेनाभिजुष्टं हृदि हृद विमलं नादशीताम्बुपूर्णम् । तत्रैकं जातपद्मं प्रकृतिदलयुतं केशरं शक्तिभिन्नं पञ्चव्योमप्रशस्तं गतिपरमपदं प्राप्तुकामेन सेव्यम् ॥ १०:३१ ॥

[घण्टिकेश्वरम्]

†नाड्यैकासङ्गतानि† निपतितममृतं घण्टिकापारकेण तृप्यन्ते तेन नित्यं हृदि कमलपुटं स्थाणुभूतान्तरात्मा । यं पश्यन्तीशभक्ताः कलिकलुषह्रं व्यापिनं निष्प्रपञ्चं देवेशं घण्टिकेशामरभवमभवं तीर्थमाकाशबिन्दुम् ॥ १०:३२ ॥

³⁰c ॰मीना] Σ , ॰माना E • दश॰] Σ , \cong C_{94} • विसर्गा] C_{Σ} , विसर्गाः K_{82} $K_{10}K_7E$ 30d ॰स्वारे] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7E$, ॰सारे C_{02} , ॰स्वारो K_{82} , ॰स्तारे C_{10} (unmetr.) • गभीरे] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7$, गम्भीरे $C_{02}K_{10}E$, (गं)भीरे C_{82} • ॰रसनं] C_{82} , ॰रमणं C_{82} • ॰ वन्स्यं] $C_{84}C_{45}$ • व्यास्यं] $C_{82}K_{10}E$, (गं)भीरे C_{82} • ॰रसनं] C_{82} • विमर्लं] C_{82} • विमर्लं] $C_{94}K_{10}$, ईशानेभिदुष्टं C_{94} • १ विमर्लं नामित्रालं C_{10} • श्वासं] C_{10} • श्वासं] • श्वासं] C_{10} • श्व

दशमो ऽध्यायः

[वागीश्वरतीर्थम्] मीमांसारत्नकूला क्रमपदपुलिना शैवशास्त्रार्थतोया मीनौघा पञ्चरात्रं श्रुतिकुटिलगतिः स्मार्तवेगा तरङ्गा । योगावर्तातिशोभा उपनिषदिवहा भारतावर्तफेना पञ्चाशद्योमरूपी रसभवननदी तीर्थ वागीश्वरीयम् ॥ १०:३३ ॥

यस्तं वेत्ति स वेत्ति वेदिनिखिलं संसारदुःखिच्छदं जन्मव्याधिवियोगतापमरणं क्षेत्राणवं दुःसहम् । गर्भावासमतीव सह्यविषयं दुस्तीर्यदुःखालयं प्राप्तं तेन न संशयः शिवपदं दुष्प्राप्य देवैरिप ॥ १०:३४ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे कायतीर्थोपवर्णनो नामाध्यायो द्शमः ॥

[एकादशमो ऽध्यायः]

[चतुराश्रमधर्मविधानः]

देव्युवाच ।
सर्वयज्ञः परश्रेष्ठ अस्ति अन्यः सुरोत्तम ।
अत्पक्षेशमनायास अर्थप्रायं विनेश्वर ॥ ११:१ ॥
सर्वयज्ञफलावाप्ति दैवतैश्चापि पूजितम् ।
कथयस्व सुरश्रेष्ठ मानुषाणां हिताय वै ॥ ११:२ ॥
महेश्वर उवाच ।
न तुल्यं तव पश्यामि द्या भूतेषु भामिनि ।
किमन्यत्कथियष्यामि द्या यत्र न विद्यते ॥ ११:३ ॥
सदाशिवमुखात्पूर्वं श्रुतं मे वरसुन्द्रि ।
शृणु देवि प्रवक्ष्यामि धर्मसारमनुत्तमम् ॥ ११:४ ॥

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 208v–210r, C_{45} ff. 214r–215v, C_{02} ff. 285v–287v, K_{82} ff. 15v–17v, K_{10} ff. 221v–223v (exp. 56 lower – 58 lower), K_7 ff. 223v–225v; E pp. 613–617; $C_{\Sigma}=C_{94}+C_{45}+C_{02}$

एकाद्शमो ऽध्यायः

[गृहस्थः]

विनार्थेन तु यो यज्ञः स यज्ञः सार्वकामिकः । अक्षयश्राव्ययश्चेव सर्वपातकनाशनः ॥ ११:५ ॥ बहुविघ्नकरो ह्यर्थो बह्वायासकरस्तथा । ब्रह्महृत्या इवेन्द्रस्य प्रविभागफला स्मृता ॥ ११:६ ॥ पञ्चशोध्येन शोध्येत अर्थयज्ञो वरानने । शोधिते तु फलं शुद्धमशुद्धे निष्फलं भवेत् ॥ ११:७ ॥ देव्युवाच । पञ्चशोध्ये सुरश्रेष्ठ संशयो ऽत्र भवेन्मम । कथयस्व विभागेन श्रोतुमिच्छामि तत्त्वतः ॥ ११:८ ॥ रुद्र उवाच । मनःशुद्धिस्तु प्रथमं द्रव्यशुद्धिरतः परम् । मन्त्रशुद्धिस्तृतीया तु कर्मशुद्धिरतः परम् ।

⁵ab See a sequence or list of the four āśramas in 4.75 above: गृहस्थो ब्रह्मचारी च वानप्रस्थो ऽथ भैक्षुकः; see also 5.9: एतच्छौचं गृहस्थानां द्विगुणं ब्रह्मचारिणाम् । वानप्रस्थस्य त्रिगुणं यतीनां तु चतुर्गुणम् ॥.

पञ्चमी सत्त्वशुद्धिस्तु कतुशुद्धिश्च पञ्चधा ॥ ११:९॥
मनःशुद्धिर्नाम अविपरीतभावनया ।
द्रव्यशुद्धिर्नाम अनन्यायोपार्जितद्रव्येन ॥ ११:१०॥
मन्त्रशुद्धिर्नाम स्वरव्यञ्जनयुक्ततया ।
क्रियाशुद्धिर्नाम यथाक्रमाविपरीततया ।
सत्त्वशुद्धिर्नाम रजस्तम-अप्रधानतया ॥ ११:११॥
विधिमेवं यदा शुध्येद्यदि यज्ञं करोति हि ।
तस्य यज्ञफलावाप्तर्जन्ममृत्युश्च नो भवेत् ॥ ११:१२॥
विनार्थेन तु यो यज्ञं करोति वरसुन्दरि ।
न तस्य तत्फलावाप्तिः सर्वयज्ञेष्वशेषतः ॥ ११:१३॥
यज्ञवाट कुरुक्षेत्रं सत्त्वावासकृतालयः ।
प्रत्याहार महावेदि कुशप्रस्तर संयमः ॥ ११:१४॥

एकाद्शमो ऽध्यायः

विधि नियमविस्तारो ध्यानविहः प्रदीपितः । योगेन्धनसमिज्ज्वालतपोधूमसमाकुलः ॥ ११:१५॥

पात्रन्यास् शिवज्ञानं स्थालीपाक शिवात्मकः ।

आज्याहुतिमविच्छिन्नं लम्बकस्रुवपातितः ॥ ११:१६॥

धारणाध्वर्युवत्कृत्वा प्राणायामश्च ऋत्विजः ।

तर्कयुक्तः सविस्तारः समाधिर्वयतापनः ॥ ११:१७ ॥

ब्रह्मविद्यामयो यूपः पशुबन्धो मनोन्मनः ।

श्रद्धा पत्नी विशालाक्षि संकल्प पद शाश्वतम् ॥ ११:१८॥

पञ्चेन्द्रियजयोत्पन्नः पुरोडाशो ऽमृताशनः ।

ब्रह्मनादो महामन्त्रः प्रायश्चित्तानिलो जयः ॥ ११:१९॥

सोमपान परिज्ञानमुपाकर्म चतुर्यमः ।

इतिहास जलस्नानं पुराणकृतमम्बरः ॥ ११:२०॥

इडासुषुम्नासंवेद्ये स्नानमाचमनं सकृत् । संतोषातिथिमादृत्य द्याभूतद्विजार्चितः ॥ ११:२१ ॥

ब्रह्मकूर्च गुणातीत हविर्गन्ध निरञ्जनः । ब्रह्मसूत्रं त्रयस्तत्त्वं बोधना मुण्डितं शिरः ॥ ११:२२ ॥

निवृत्त्यादि चतुर्वेदश्चतुःप्रकरणासनः । दक्षिणामभयं भूते दत्त्वा यज्ञं यजेत्सदा ॥ ११:२३ ॥

विनार्थं यज्ञसम्प्राप्तिः कथिता ते वरानने । आसहस्रस्य यज्ञानां फलं प्राप्तोति नित्यशः ॥ ११:२४॥

आश्रमः प्रथमस्तुभ्यं कथितो ऽस्ति वरानने । सदाशिवेन सद्धर्मं दैवतैरपि पूजितम् ॥ ११:२५॥

[ब्रह्मचारी]

ब्रह्मचर्यं निबोधेदं शृणुष्वावहिता शुभे ।

23c cf. VSS 22.14ab : दक्षिणाभय भूतेभ्यः पशुबन्धः स्वयंकृतः

²¹a ०सुपुम्ना०] Σ , ०सुपुम्न० C_{02} • ०वेद्ये] $C_{94}E$, ०वेद्य $C_{45}K_{10}$, ०वेद्येः C_{02} , ०वेद्यं $C_{45}K_{10}$, ०वेद्यंः C_{02} , ०वेद्यं $C_{45}K_{10}$, ०वेद्यंः C_{02} , ०वेद्यं $C_{45}K_{10}$, ०वेद्यंः C_{02} , ०तोषातिथिमाहत्य C_{10} • C_{45} •

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द्वितीयमाश्रमं देवि सर्वपापविनाश्चनम् ॥ ११:२६॥ व्रतं ब्रह्मपरं ध्यानं सावित्री प्रकृतिर्रुयम् । ब्रह्मसूत्राक्षरं सूक्ष्मं त्रिगुणालय मेखलम् ॥ ११:२७॥ दम दण्ड दया पात्रं भिक्षा संसारमोचनम् । त्र्यायुषं द्यक्षरातीतं ज्ञानभस्म-अलङ्कृतम् ॥ ११:२८॥ स्नानव्रतं सदासत्यं शीलशौचसमन्वितम् । अग्निहोत्र त्रयस्तत्त्वं जप ब्रह्मबिलस्वरः ॥ ११:२९॥ द्वितीय आश्रमो देवि यथाह भगवान्शिवः । ममापि कथितं तुभ्यं जन्ममृत्युविनाशनम् ॥ ११:३०॥ [वानप्रस्थः]

वानप्रस्थविधि वक्ष्ये शृणुष्वायतलोचने । यथाश्रुतं यथातथ्यमृषिदैवतपूजितम् ॥ ११:३१॥ वैराग्यवनमाश्रित्य नियमाश्रममाहरेत् ।

26cd cf. MBh 12.184.10A: गार्हस्थ्यं खलु द्वितीयमाश्रमं वदन्ति 27ab cf. VSS 16.8cd

शीलशैलहढद्वारे प्राकारे विजितेन्द्रियः ॥ ११:३२ ॥ अधिमूतः स्मृतो माता अध्यात्मश्च पिता तथा । अधिदैविकमाचार्यो व्यवसायाश्च भ्रातरः ॥ ११:३३ ॥ श्रुतिः स्मृतिः स्मृता भार्या प्रज्ञा पुत्रः क्षमानुजः । मैत्री बन्धुर्जटा चापं करुणा सुपवित्रकम् । मुदिता मौन चत्वारः सर्वकार्यमुपेक्षका ॥ ११:३४ ॥ यमवल्कलसंवीतस्तपःकृष्णाजिनाधरः । उत्तरासङ्गमासीनो योगपट्टहढव्रतः ॥ ११:३५ ॥ वेदघोषेण घोषेण प्राणायामो ऽग्निहावनम् । जितप्राण मृगाकूलो धृति यज्ञः क्रिया जपः ॥ ११:३६ ॥ अर्थसंग्रह शास्त्रेषु सखा दमदयादयः । शिवयज्ञं प्रयुञ्जीत साधनाष्टकपूजनम् ॥ ११:३० ॥

33ab cf. VSS 22.10ab: अध्यात्मनगरस्फीतः अधिभूतजनाकुलः 37d cf. DhP 2.1: अष्टभिः साधनैरेभिश्चित्तं कायञ्च यत्नतः । शोधियत्वा ततो योगी योगाभ्यासं समाचरेत् ॥

³²c ॰ दृढ॰] Σ , ॰ दृष॰ E 32d ॰ कारे] Σ , ॰ कार॰ C_{02} 33a स्मृतो] Σ , ॰ 2. C_{45} , स्मृतो E 33c अधिदैविक॰] em. GOODALL, (अ). 1. (भौ). 1. क॰ C_{94} , अधिभौतिक॰ $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_7E$, अधिभौतिक॰ K_{10} 33d व्यवसायाथ] Σ , व्यवसायथ E 34a स्मृता] Σ , स्मृतो C_{45} 34c बन्धुर्ज॰] Σ , बन्धु ज॰ $C_{02}K_{10}$ 34e मौन चत्वारः] Σ , मौनश्रत्वारः C_{45} , मौन चत्वारं C_{02} 34f ॰ कार्यमु॰] Σ , ०कार्यामु॰ K_{82} • ॰ ऐक्षका] Σ , ॰ ऐक्षया E 35a ॰ संवीत॰] Σ , ॰ सान्वीत॰ E 35b ॰ कृष्णा॰] Σ , ॰ कृष्णां C_{02} • ॰ जिनाधरः] K_7 , ॰ जिनधरः $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$ (unmetr.), ॰ जिनं पुरः E 35d ॰ दृढ॰] Σ , ॰ दृष्ट॰ K_{10} • ॰ व्रतः] Σ , ॰ 2. C_{94} 36a वेद॰] Σ , . 1. द॰ C_{94} • ॰ ण घोषेण] Σ , ॰ ण घोषीण C_{02} 36b ॰ हावनम्] Σ , ० (हावनम्) C_{45} , ॰ हावन C_{02} 36d ॰ जपः] Σ , ० जिणः C_{02} 37b सखा] Σ , सखो K_{10} • दमद॰] Σ , दम॰ C_{94} , दयद॰ C_{02} 37c ॰ यज्ञं] Σ , ॰ यज्ञं $C_{02}K_7$

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पञ्चब्रह्मजलैः पूतः सत्यतीर्थशिवहृदे । स्नानमाचमनं कृत्वा संध्यात्रयमुपासयेत् ॥ ११:३८ ॥ अक्षमाला पुराणार्थं जप शान्तं दिवानिशम् । ज्ञानसिललसम्पूर्णमितिहासकमण्डलुः ॥ ११:३९ ॥ पञ्चकमिक्रयोत्क्रान्ति जप पञ्चविधः सुखम् । साधनं शिवसंकल्पो योगसिद्धिफलप्रदः ॥ ११:४० ॥ संतोषफलमाहारः कामकोधपराजितः । आशापाशजयाभ्यासो ध्यानयोगरितिप्रयः । अतिथिभ्यो ऽभयं दत्त्वा वानप्रस्थश्चरेद्वतम् ॥ ११:४१ ॥ वानप्रस्थमयं धर्मं गदित यत्पूर्वमवधारितं संसारोद्धरणमनित्यहरणमज्ञानिर्मूलनम् ।

38d cf. VSS 11.59cd: शिवस्य हृद्यं संध्या तस्मात्संध्यामुपासयेत्

प्रज्ञावृद्धिकरममोघकरणं क्लेशार्णवोत्तारणं जन्मव्याधिहरमकर्मदहनं सेवेत्स धर्मोत्तमम् ॥ ११:४२ ॥ [परिवाजकः]

परिव्राजकधर्मो ऽयं कीर्तयिष्यामि तच्छृणु । सुखदुःखं समं कृत्वा लोभमोहविवर्जितः ॥ ११:४३ ॥ वर्जयेन्मधु मांसानि परदारांश्च वर्जयेत् । वर्जयेचिरवासं च परवासं च वर्जयेत् ॥ ११:४४ ॥ वर्जयेत्सृष्टभोज्यानि भिक्षामेकां च वर्जयेत् । वर्जयेत्संग्रहं नित्यमभिमानं च वर्जयेत् ॥ ११:४५ ॥ सुसूक्ष्मं मनसा ध्यात्वा दृशौ पादं विनिक्षिपेत् ।

43d cf. VSS 4.71: कामः कोधश्च लोभश्च मोहश्चेव चतुर्विधः । चतुःशत्रुर्निहन्तव्यः सर्वथा वीत-कल्मषः ॥ 44ab cf. Manu 2.177: वर्जयेन्मधु मांसं च गन्धं माल्यं रसान्स्त्रियः । शुक्तानि यानि सर्वाणि प्राणिनां चैव हिंसनम् ॥ 45b cf. Manu 2.188ab: भैक्षेण वर्तयेन्नित्यं नैकान्नादी भवेद्वती

42d E (and paper MS K_{41}) add here a Śārdūlavikrīḍita line: श्रद्धापूर्वकमेव यः सिनयमं साक्षाच जीविनशवः (शुद्धापूर्व्वकमेव यः सिनयतं साक्षाच जीविन शिवः K_{41}) 45ab Omitted in C_{45}

⁴²c (प्रज्ञा॰... ॰ तारणम)] Σ , om. K_{10} • ॰ करममोघ॰] $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}$ (unmetr.), om. K_{10} , ॰ कममोघ॰ K_7 , ॰ करं प्रबोध॰ E • क्षेशाणंबो॰] $C_{\Sigma}K_7$, क्षेशाण्णवो॰ K_{82} , om. K_{10} , शोकाणंबो॰ E 42d सेवेत्स] Σ , सेवे स C_{02} , सेवेत्त K_{10} 43b कीर्तियेष्यामि] Σ , कीर्तिय-1- मि C_{94} 43c ॰ दुःखं] C_{45} , ॰ दुःखं $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$ $K_{10}K_7E$ 43d लोभमोह॰] C_{45} , लाभालोभ॰ $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, लाभलोभ॰ C_{02} , लाभालाभ॰ E • ॰ वर्जितः] Σ , ॰ वर्जिताः K_{10} 44a वर्जयेन्] $C_{94}K_{10}$, वर्जयेत् $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_7E$ 44c ॰ वासं] Σ , ॰ वासश् E 44d ॰ वासं] Σ , ॰ वासश् E 45a वर्जयेत्सृष्ट॰] $C_{02}(?)K_{82}K_7$, वर्जयेत्सृष्ट॰ C_{94} , वर्जन्मृष्ट॰ C_{10} , ॰ शामेकं $C_{02}K_{82}$, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} C_{10} 0, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 0, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 1, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 2, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 3, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 4, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 4, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 5, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 6, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 7, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 8, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 8, ॰ शामेकं C_{10} 9, ॰ विनिक्ष॰ C_{10} 9, विनिक्ष॰ C_{10} 9,

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न कुप्येत अनालाभे लाभे वापि न हर्षयेत् ॥ ११:४६ ॥ अर्थतृष्णास्वनृद्विग्नो रोषे वापि सुदारुणे । स्तुतिनिन्दा समं कृत्वा प्रियं वाप्रियमेव वा ॥ ११:४० ॥ नियमास्तु परीधानं संयमावृतमेखलः । निरालम्बं मनः कृत्वा बुद्धं कृत्वा निरञ्जनाम् ॥ ११:४८ ॥ आत्मानं पृथिवीं कृत्वा खं च कृत्वा मनोन्मनम् । त्रिदण्डं त्रिगुणं कृत्वा पात्रं कृत्वाक्षरो ऽव्ययः ॥ ११:४९ ॥ न्यसेद्धमंमधमं च ईर्ष्याद्वेषं परित्यजेत् । निर्द्वन्द्वो नित्यसत्यस्थो निर्ममो निरहंकृतः ॥ ११:५० ॥ दिवसस्याष्टमे भागे भिक्षां सप्तगृहं चरेत् । न चासीत न तिष्ठेत न च देहीति वा वदेत् ॥ ११:५१ ॥

 $46cd \approx Manu 6.57$: अलाभे न विषदी स्याल्लाभे चैंव न हर्षयेत् = VāsiṣṭhaDhS 10.22 50cd cf. BhG 2.45cd: निर्द्वन्द्वों नित्यसत्त्वस्थों निर्योगक्षेम आत्मवान् 51b cf. GautDhS 23.18: तस्याजिनमूर्ध्ववालं परिधाय लोहितपत्रः सप्त गृहान्भक्षं चरेत्

⁴⁶c कुप्येत] Σ , कुपेत C_{02} • अनालाभे] K_{82} , मनोलाभे $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}$, मनोलाभो C_{02} , मनालाभे E 47a अर्थ०] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{7}$, अर्था० $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}$, अथ E • ०नुिंद्विग्नो] Σ , ०नुिंद्रग्नो C_{02} 48a ॰ धानं] Σ , ०धाना C_{02} , ०(धानं) K_{7} 48b ॰ ०नुत०] Σ , ०मृत० K_{10} , ०नृत० E • ०मेखलः] Σ , ०मेखलाः C_{02} , ०मेखला K_{10} 48c ॰ बं मनः कृत्वा] K_{7} , ०बमसत्कृत्वा $C_{94}K_{82}$, ०बमसंकृत्वा C_{45} , ०बमनंकृत्वा C_{02} , ०ब मनस्कृत्वा K_{10} , ०बमनङ्गृत्वा E 48d बुद्धि] Σ , बुद्धि $C_{45}E$ • निरञ्जनाम्] em., निरञ्जनम् $C_{\Sigma}K_{10}K_{7}E$, निरञ्जनः K_{82} 49ab कृत्वा खं च] Σ , कृ(त्वा) $\frac{1}{2}$ \frac

यथालाभेन वर्तेत अष्टौ पिण्डान्दिने दिने । वस्त्रभोजनशय्यासु न प्रसज्येत विस्तरम् ॥ ११:५२ ॥ नाभिनन्देत मरणं नाभिनन्देत जीवितम् । इन्द्रियाणि वशंकृत्वा कामं हत्वा यतव्रतः ॥ ११:५३ ॥ अतीतं च भविष्यं च न भिक्षुश्चिन्तयेत्सदा । क्रोधमानमद्दर्पान्परिवार्र्वजयेत्सदा ॥ ११:५४ ॥ विरागं तु धनुः कृत्वा प्राणायामगुणैर्युतम् । धारणाशरतीक्ष्णेन मृगं हत्वा मनोन्द्रियम् ॥ ११:५५ ॥ मैत्रीखङ्गसुतीक्ष्णेन संसारारिं निकृन्तयेत् । करुणावर्तचकेण क्रोधमत्तगजं जयेत् । मुदितावर्मबद्धाङ्गस्तूणं पूर्णमुपेक्षया ॥ ११:५६ ॥ अनक्षरं परं ब्रह्म चिन्तयेत्सततं द्विज । ब्रह्मणो हृदयं विष्णुर्विष्णोश्च हृदयं शिवः ।

53ab = MBh 12.237.15ab = Manu 6.45ab = NāradParivrUp 3.61cd

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शिवस्य हृदयं संध्या तस्मात्संध्यामुपासयेत् ॥ ११:५७॥ संसारार्णवतारणं शुभगतिः स ब्रह्म संध्याक्षरं ध्यायेन्नित्यमतन्द्रितो ह्यनुपमं व्यक्तात्मवेद्यं शिवम् । रूपैर्वर्णगुणादिभिश्च विहितं दुर्लक्ष्यलक्ष्योत्तमं यत्नोद्धृत्य समाश्रयेत्सुरगुरुं सर्वार्तिहर्ता हरम् ॥ ११:५८॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे चतुराश्रमधर्मविधानो नामाध्याय एकादशमः ॥

^{57 ≈} Saubhāgyabhāskara of Bhāskararāya ad Lalitāsahasranāmastotra 302: ब्र-ह्मणो हृदयं विष्णुर्विष्णोरिप शिवः स्मृतः । शिवस्य हृदयं सन्ध्या तेनोपास्या द्विजातिभिः ॥ इति क-श्यपादिवचनैः कौर्मपाद्मस्कान्दादिनिखिलपुराणेषु च तत्र तत्र देवीकालिकाब्रह्माण्डमार्कण्डेयादिपुरा-णेषु बहुशः शक्तिरहस्य-देवीभागवत-तृतीयस्कन्धादिषु च इदंपर्येण सर्वत्र ज्ञानार्णवकुलार्णवादितन्त्रेषु त्वपरिमितत्या वर्णितम्

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देव्युवाच । अहिंसा परमो धर्मः सततं परिकीर्त्यते । आतिथ्यकानां धर्मं च कथयस्व यदुत्तमम् ॥ १२:१॥ महेश्वर उवाच । अहिंसातिथ्यकानां च शृणु धर्मं यदुत्तमम् । त्रैलोक्यमित्वलं देवि रत्नपूर्णं सुलोचने ॥ १२:२॥ चतुर्वेदिवदे दानं न तत्तुल्यमिहंसकः । शृणु धर्ममितिथ्यानां कीर्तियिष्यामि सुन्दरि ॥ १२:३॥ [विपुलोपाख्यानम्]

आसीद्वृत्तं पुराख्यानं नगरे कुसुमाह्वये । कपिलस्य सुतो विद्वान्विपुलो नाम विश्रुतः ॥ १२:४॥

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5b = MBh 12.218.13b

Witnesses used for this chapter: C_{94} ff. 210r–215r, C_{45} ff. 215v–219v, C_{02} ff. 287v–283v (f. 291 is missing), K_{82} ff. 17v–22r, K_{10} exp. 58 (lower) – 62 (lower), K_7 ff. 225v–230r, E pp. 617–628; $C_{\Sigma} = C_{94} + C_{45} + C_{02}$

¹ab धर्मः स०] Σ , धर्मोस्स० C_{02} 1c आतिथ्य०] Σ , अतिथ्य० $C_{45}K_{10}$ • धर्मं च] Σ , धर्मश्र C_{02} , धर्मानां K_{10} 2 महेश्वर] Σ , भगवान् K_{82} 2b श्रणु] Σ , $\frac{1}{2}$ णु C_{94} • धर्मं] Σ , धर्म $C_{02}E$ • ०त्तमम्] Σ , ०त्तमां E 2d ०पूणं] Σ , पूण्णं C_{02} , ०पूणां E • ०लोचने] Σ , ०लोचनं C_{45} 3a दानं] Σ , नानं C_{45} 4a आसीद्वृत्तं] $C_{94}K_{82}E$, आशीद्तं C_{45} , आसीद्वृतम् C_{02} , आसी वृत्तं K_{10} , आसीद्वृत्त K_7 • ०ख्यानं] Σ , ०ख्यातं E 4b नगरं कुसुमाह्वये] Σ , नगरं कुसुमाह्वयम् $C_{02}K_{10}$

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ब्रह्मण्यश्च कृतज्ञश्च मद्भक्तः कृतिनश्चयः ॥ १२:५॥ धनाढ्यो ऽतिथिपूज्यश्च दाता दान्तो दयालुकः । न्यायार्जितधनो नित्यमन्यायपरिवर्जितः ॥ १२:६॥ भार्या च रूपिणी तस्य चन्द्रिबम्बशुभानना । पीनोत्तुङ्गस्तनी कान्ता सकलानन्दकारिणी । पतिव्रता पतिरता पतिशुश्रूषणे रता ॥ १२:७॥ अथ केनापि कालेन सूर्यरागमभूत्ततः । ग्रस्तभागत्रयस्त्वासीत्कृष्णमाधवमासिके ॥ १२:८॥ स्नातुकामावतीर्यन्ते सर्वे पौरनृपादयः । देवाश्च पितरश्चेव तर्प्यन्ते विधिवत्तथा ॥ १२:९॥ केचिज्ज्बति तत्राग्निं केचिद्विप्रांश्च तर्पयेत् । केचिज्ज्बति तत्राग्निं केचित्स्तुवन्ति देवताम् ॥ १२:१०॥ ध्यानयोगरताः केचित्केचित्पञ्चतपे रताः ।

7ef cf. Brahmavaivartapurāṇa 4.27.174cd: पतिव्रते पतिरते पति देहि नमो ऽस्तु ते

⁵c ब्रह्मण्य०] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}E$, ब्राह्मण्य० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{7}$ • ०ज्ञश्च] Σ , ०ज्ञ C_{45} , ०ज्ञश्च K_{10} 5d ०भक्तः] Σ , ०भक्त० E 6a ०पूज्यश्च] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}^{pc}K_{7}E$, ०पूज्य C_{45} K_{82}^{ac} , ०पूज्थ K_{10} 6b दान्तो] $C_{45}^{ac}K_{7}E$, दान्त $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$, दान्तोम(?) C_{45}^{pc} , दान्त K_{10} 6c न्याया०] $C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$, न्यायो० $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}$ 6cd नित्यम०] Σ , ०नित्यम० K_{10} 6d ०वर्जितः] Σ , ०वर्जयेत् K_{10} 7b ०विम्व०] Σ , ०विं(वा) K_{82} • ०शुभानना] Σ , ०निभानना K_{10} 7d सकला०] Σ , 3 C_{94} 7e पतिव्रता] Σ , प्रतिव्रता $C_{45}K_{10}$ 7f पतिशुश्रूषणे] Σ , प्रतिशुश्रूषणे K_{10} 8b ०भूत्ततः] Σ , ०भूततः C_{02} 9a ०वतीर्यन्ते] Σ , च तीर्थन्ते E 9c देवाश्च] Σ , देवश्च C_{02} 9d तर्प्यन्ते] Σ , तप्पन्ते $C_{45}K_{10}$ 10a ०िंजुह्नि] Σ , ०िंजुह्नि C_{02} 9d तप्पन्ते] Σ , विप्राश्च C_{45} K_{10} 10c दानो०] Σ , ध्यानो० E 10d केचित्स्तुवन्ति] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{7}$, केचिद्वन्ति C_{02} , केचि स्तुवन्ति C_{82} K_{10} , केचित्स्तुन्वन्ति E • देवताम्] Σ , देवता $C_{45}K_{7}$ 11a ०रताः] Σ , ०रता K_{10}

एवं प्रवर्तमानेषु राजनादिषु सर्वशः ॥ १२:११ ॥ विपुलो ऽपि हि तत्रैव गङ्गागण्डिकसंगमे । भार्यया सह तत्रैव स्नात्वा क्षोमिवभूषणः ॥ १२:१२ ॥ देवतागुरुविप्राणामन्येषां तर्पणे रतः । तत्रावसरसम्प्राप्तो ब्राह्मणो ऽतिथिरागतः ॥ १२:१३ ॥ भार्या तस्यातिरूपेण मोहिता ब्रह्मणस्तदा । ब्राह्मणो ऽपि तथैवेह रूपेणाप्रतिमो भवेत् ॥ १२:१४ ॥ अन्योन्यदृष्टिसंसक्तौ जातौ तौ तु परस्परम् । विपुलेनाञ्जलि कृत्वा ब्राह्मण संशितव्रत ॥ १२:१५ ॥ आज्ञापय द्विजश्रेष्ठ अद्य मे ऽनुग्रहं कुरु । भार्याभृत्यपशुग्राम रत्नानि विविधानि च ॥ १२:१६ ॥ विपुलेनैवमुक्तस्तु गृहीतो ब्राह्मणो ऽब्रवीत् ।

15d = MBh 12.213.18d and 12.347.1d

¹¹d राजना॰] Σ , राजाना॰ E 12a ऽपि हि] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}^{pc}K_{10}K_7$, पि C_{45} , हि न K_{82}^{ac} , पि च E 12c भार्यया] $C_{94}^{pc}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, भार्याया $C_{94}^{ac}C_{02}E$ 12d ॰ भूषणः] Σ , ॰ भूष(णैः) C_{02} , ॰ भूषितः K_{82} 13ab देवतागुरुविप्राणामन्येषां तर्पणे रतः] $C_{45}K_{82}^{pc}K_{10}K_7$, देवतागुरुवि $^{-1}$ णामन्येषां तर्पणे रतः C_{94} , देवतागुरुविप्राणामन्येषां तर्पणे रतः C_{94} , देवतागुरुविप्राणामन्येषां तर्पण रतः E 14b मोहिता] Σ , मोहितो C_{45} • ब्रह्मणस्तदा] $C_{94}C_{45}K_7$, ब्राह्मणास्तथा C_{02} , ब्राह्मणस्तदा $K_{82}K_{10}$, ब्राह्मणस्य च E 14c ब्राह्मणो] Σ , ब्रह्मणो C_{45} • तथैवेह] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}E$, त(थे)वेह C_{94} , तथेवेह $C_{02}K_7$ 14d & पणा॰] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, ॰ राक्तो C_{45} , ॰ रंपेसक्तो C_{02} , ब्राह्मणः C_{45} • तथेवेह] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}E$, ० रंपेसक्तो C_{02} , ब्राह्मणः C_{45} • तथेवेह C_{94} , वश्वेह C_{95} , जातो तौ तौ C_{02} , जातौ (ता) C_{45} 0 • रंपेसको C_{45} 0 • रंपेसको C_{45} 0 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 1 • रंपेसको C_{45} 0 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 1 • रंपेसको C_{45} 0 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 1 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 2 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 3 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 4 • रंपेसको C_{95} 5 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 6 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 7 • रंपेसको C_{45} 8 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 8 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 8 • रंपेसको C_{45} 9 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 8 • रंपेसको] C_{45} 8 • रंपेसको C_{45} 9 • रंपेसको] C_{4

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यदि सत्यं प्रदातासि सुप्रसन्नं मनस्तव ॥ १२:१७॥ विपुल उवाच । सुप्रसन्नं मनो मे ऽद्य सुप्रसन्नं तपःफलम् । शीघ्रमाज्ञापय विप्र यच्चाभिलिषतं तव । अदेयं नास्ति विप्रस्य स्विशरःप्रभृति द्विज ॥ १२:१८॥ ब्राह्मण उवाच । यद्येवं वदसे भद्र भार्यां मे देहि रूपिणीम् । स्विस्ति भवतु भद्रं वः कल्याणं भव शाश्वतम् ॥ १२:१९॥ विपुल उवाच । प्रतीच्छ भार्यां सुश्रोणीं रूपयौवनशालिनीम् । अकुत्सितां विशालाक्षीं पूर्णचन्द्रनिभाननाम् ॥ १२:२०॥ भार्योवाच । परित्याज्या कथं नाथ अपापां त्यजसे कथम् । अतीव हि प्रियां भार्यां निर्दीषां च कथं त्यजेः ॥ १२:२१॥ सखा भार्या मनुष्याणामिह लोके परत्र च ।

दानं वा सुमहद्दत्त्वा यज्ञो वा सुबहुः कृतः ॥ १२:२२ ॥ अपुत्रो नाप्नुयात्स्वर्गं तपोभिर्वा सुदुष्करैः । श्रुतो मे पितृभिः प्रोक्तो ब्राह्मणैश्च ममान्तिके ॥ १२:२३ ॥ अपुत्रो नाप्नुयात्स्वर्गं श्रुतं मे बहुशः पुरा । मन्दपालो द्विजश्रेष्ठो गतः स्वर्गं तपोबलात् ॥ १२:२४ ॥ दानानि च बहून्दत्त्वा यज्ञांश्च विविधांस्तथा । वेदांश्च जपयज्ञांश्च कृत्वा स द्विजसत्तमः ॥ १२:२५ ॥ प्राप्तद्वारो ऽपि यस्यापि देवदूतौर्नवारितः । अपुत्रो नाप्नुयात्स्वर्गं यदि यज्ञशतैरपि ॥ १२:२६ ॥ इत्युक्तस्तु च्युतः स्वर्गान्मन्दपालो महानृषिः । पुत्रानुत्पादयामास शारङ्गांश्चतुरो द्विजः ॥ १२:२७ ॥ तेन पुण्यप्रभावेण स्वर्गं प्राप्तो ह्यवारितः ।

²²d ०बहु:] em., ०बहु $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}$ (unmetr.), ०बहुं K_{10} , ०बहुन् E • कृतः] Σ , कृतम् C_{02} 23ab स्वर्गं तपोभिवां] Σ , स्व(गर्गन) $\stackrel{?}{\longrightarrow}$ व्यं C_{94} 23d ०िन्तके] Σ , ०िन्तके: C_{45} 24a स्वर्गं] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}E$, स्वर्ग $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}$ 24c ०पालो] $K_{7}E$, ०पाल $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$ 25a बहुन्द्] Σ , बहु द् K_{7} 25b यज्ञांश्च विविधांस्तथा] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$, यत्वा यज्ञांश्च विविधां तथा C_{45} , यज्ञांश्च विविधाम्तथा K_{7} , स्यज्ञाश्च विविधास्तथा E 25c वेदांश्च जपयज्ञांश्च] $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}$, वेदाश्च जपयज्ञांश्च C_{45} , वेदांश्च जपयज्ञाश्च E 25d स द्वि०] conj., तिद्दृ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}E$, तिद्दृ K_{10} , सिद्दृ K_{7} • ०सत्तमः] Σ , ०सत्तम K_{82} 26a व्हारों] Σ , ०द्दृ K_{10} 26ab यस्यापि दे०] Σ , यस्यापि दे० K_{10} , यस्याद्दि दे० E 26b व्हृत्तेनि०] Σ , ०द्दृ K_{10} , ०द्दृ K_{10} K_{10}

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कुलत्राणात्कलत्रास्मि भरणाद्भार्य एव च ॥ १२:२८॥ दारसंग्रह पुत्रार्थे कियते शास्त्रदर्शनात । यानि सन्ति गृहे द्रव्यं ग्रामघोषगृहाणि च ॥ १२:२९॥ दातुमहिसि विप्राय न मां दातुमिहार्हिस । भार्याया वचनं श्रुत्वा विपुलः पुनरब्रवीत् ॥ १२:३०॥ साधु भामिनि जानामि साधु साधु पतिव्रते । जितो ऽस्म्यनेन वाक्येन अनेनास्मि हि तोषितः ॥ १२:३१॥ अद्य ग्रहणकाले च द्विज आगत्य याचते । ददामीति प्रतिज्ञाय अदत्त्वा नरकं व्रजे ॥ १२:३२॥ नरकं यदि गच्छामि कुलेन सह सुन्द्रि । कल्पकोटिसहस्रे ऽपि नरकस्थो यशस्विनि । मुक्तिमेव न पश्यामि जन्मकोटिशतैरपि ॥ १२:३३॥ अदानाच्चाशुभं देवि पश्यामि वरवर्णिनि । दानेन तु शुभं पश्ये स्वर्गलोके यदक्षयम् ॥ १२:३४॥ नोक्तं मयानृतं पूर्वं नित्यं सत्यव्रते स्थितः ।

²⁸c कुल०] C_{45} , कल० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ • ०त्राणात्क०] K_{10} , ०त्राणां क० C_{Σ} $K_{82}E$, ०त्राणा क० K_{7} • ०िरम] Σ , ०िरम K_{10} 28d • आद्धार्य एव] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}E$, ०आद्धार्य मेव C_{45} , ०आ भार्य एव $C_{02}K_{10}$ 29a • ग्रह] $C_{02}K_{10}K_{7}E$, ० ग्रह: $C_{94}C_{45}$ K_{82} • पुत्रा०] Σ , पात्रा० E 29b कियते] Σ , कियाते C_{45} 30c वचनं] Σ , वचन K_{7} 30d • ब्रवीत्] Σ , ० ब्रवीत् | विपुल उवाच | $C_{02}^{pc}E$ 31a जानामि] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}E$, जानासि $C_{94}K_{10}K_{7}$ 31b पति०] Σ , प्रति० K_{10} 31d तोषितः] Σ , तोषिनः K_{7} 32d ब्रजे] $C_{94}K_{82}^{pc}K_{7}$, ब्रजेत् $C_{45}C_{02}K_{10}E$, ब्रजे Σ K_{82}^{ac} 33a यदि] Σ , ययदि K_{7} 33c • सहस्रे ऽपि] Σ , ० सहस्राणि $C_{02}E$ 33d • स्थो य०] $K_{7}E$, ० स्थाय० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}$, स्था य० C_{45} 33e मुक्तिमेव] Σ , मुक्तिमेवन् E 34a अदानाचा०] Σ , अदाना चा० C_{02} 34d • लोके] Σ , от. K_{82}^{ac} • लोकं E 35a नोक्तं] Σ , नोक्ता K_{7}^{ac} 35b • बते] Σ , ० वत० E

सत्यधर्ममितिकम्य नान्यधर्मं समाचरे ॥ १२:३५॥ भार्या धर्मसखेत्येवं त्वया पूर्वमुदाहृतम् । यदि धर्मसखायासि सो ऽद्य काल इहागतः ॥ १२:३६॥ द्विजरूपधरो धर्मः स्वयमेव इहागतः । जिज्ञासार्थमहं भद्रे न विघ्नं कर्तुमर्हिस ॥ १२:३७॥ माताव्यक्तः पिता ब्रह्मा बुद्धिर्भार्या दमः सखा । पुत्रो धर्मः कियाचार्य इत्येते मम बान्धवाः ॥ १२:३८॥ कालश्रेष्ठो ग्रहः सूर्यो गङ्गा श्रेष्ठा नदीषु च । चन्द्रक्षये दिनं श्रेष्ठं नरश्रेष्ठो द्विजोत्तमः ॥ १२:३९॥ शुश्रूषणार्थं विप्रस्य मया दत्तासि सुन्दरि । सर्वस्वं ब्राह्मणे दत्त्वा वनमेवाश्रयाम्यहम् ॥ १२:४०॥ शङ्कर उवाच । तूष्णीम्भूता ततो भार्या अश्रुपूर्णाकुलेक्षणा । करे गृह्य विशालाक्षी ब्राह्मणाय निवेदिता ॥ १२:४१॥

 $39b \approx 15.18b$: श्रेष्ठा गङ्गा नदीषु च

³⁵d ०चरे] Σ , ०चरेत् $K_{10}E$ 36a धर्म०] Σ , धर्मं K_{82} 36b त्वया] em., त्विय $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 36c ०सस्वाया०] Σ , ०सस्वा० C_{45} 37a ०धरो] Σ , ०परो C_{45} 37c ०धंमहं] Σ , ०धंमहं K_{10} , ०धंमहं K_{7} 38a ०व्यक्तः] Σ , ०व्यक्त C_{02} , ०व्यक्त(Σ) K_{7} 38b बुद्धिभा०] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}$, बुद्धि भा० $C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$ • दमः] Σ , दम K_{10} (unmetr.) • सर्वा] Σ , समा C_{94} 39a ०श्रेष्टथो] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}^{pc}$, ०श्रेष्ठ० $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}$, ०श्रेष्ठा K_{7}^{ac} , ०श्रेष्ठः E 39b श्रेष्ठा] Σ , श्रेष्ठो K_{82} , श्रेष्ठ K_{10} 39c दिनं] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}$, दिन० $C_{02}K_{10}E$ 39d ०त्तमः] Σ , ०त्तम C_{02} 40a ०थं] Σ , ०थं C_{45} 41 शङ्कर] Σ , महंश्वर E 41a त्यामिमृता] C_{94} , त्यामिमृता C_{45} , त्यामिमृत C_{02} , त्यामिम्त C_{0

यानि सन्ति गृहे द्रव्यं हिरण्यं पश्चवस्तथा । ददामि ते द्विजश्रेष्ठ ग्रामघोषगृहादिकम् ॥ १२:४२ ॥ मृक्तावैडूर्यवासांसि दिव्याण्याभरणानि च । सर्वान्गृहाण विप्रेन्द्र श्रद्धया दत्तसत्कृतान् ॥ १२:४३ ॥ प्रीयतां भगवान्धर्मः प्रीयतां च महेश्वरः । प्रीयन्तां पितरः सर्वे यद्यस्ति सुकृतं फलम् ॥ १२:४४ ॥ रुद्र उवाच । विपुलस्य वचः श्रुत्वा ब्राह्मणेन तपस्विना । अश्चीः सुविपुलं दत्त्वा विपुलाय महात्मने ॥ १२:४५ ॥ वसेत्तत्र गृहे रम्ये भार्यामादाय तस्य च । विपुलस्तु नमस्कृत्वा कृत्वा चापि प्रदक्षिणम् ॥ १२:४६ ॥ ब्राह्मणमभिवाद्यैवं गतः शीघ्रं वनान्तरम् । वने मूलफलाहारो विचरेत महीतले ॥ १२:४७ ॥ एकाकी विजने शून्ये चिन्तया च परिष्ठतः ।

⁴²b हिरणयं] Σ , हिरणय॰ $K_{82}E$ 42c ददामि] Σ , ददानि C_{45} • ते द्विज॰] Σ , 2- ज॰ C_{94} , त द्विज॰ K_{7} 43a ॰ वैडूर्य॰] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_{7}$, ॰ वैभार्य॰ C_{02} , ॰ वैर्थ॰ K_{82}^{ac} , ॰ वैदूर्य॰ $K_{82}^{pc}E$ • ॰ वासांसि] Σ , ॰ वासांसि K_{7} 43c सर्वान्गृहाण] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{82}E$, सर्वान्तान्गृह्य C_{02} , सर्वान्गृहान् K_{10} , सर्वां गृहाण K_{7} 43d ॰ सत्कृतान्] em., ॰ सत्कृताम् $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{7}E$, ॰ सत्कृतम् K_{10} 44b प्रीय॰] Σ , प्रीन॰ K_{7}^{ac} 44c प्रीयन्तां] C_{94} , प्रीयतां $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}K_{7}E$, प्रीयतां K_{10} • पितरः] Σ , पितर K_{82} 44d अस्ति] Σ , असि C_{94} 45 रुद्र] Σ , महेश्वर E 45a वचः श्रुत्वा] Σ , वच(इश्रु) 1- C_{94} 45b तपस्विना] Σ , तपस्विनाम् K_{10} 46a वसेत्तत्र गृहे] $C_{45}K_{82}$, वस तत्र गृहे $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}$, वस्(एन्त)त्र गृहे K_{7} , वसते च गृहं E 46c विपुलस्तु] Σ , विपुलस्य K_{10} 46d कृत्वा चापि] Σ , $\Sigma \simeq \Sigma \simeq K_{7}$, कृत्वा च वि॰ Σ 47a ब्राह्मण॰] Σ , ब्राह्मण॰ K_{10} • ॰ वैवें] em., ॰ वेंवं $K_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$ $K_{10}E$, ॰ वेंनं K_{45} , ॰ ववं K_{7} 47b शीघं] Σ , शीघं K_{10} 47c ॰ फलाहारों] Σ , ॰ फाहारों K_{7}^{ac} 48a एकाकी] Σ , V(का) 1- 2- 2- 48b परि॰] Σ , एलि॰ K_{7}

क गच्छामि क भोक्ष्यामि कुत्र वा किं करोम्यहम् ॥ १२:४८॥ न पथं विषयं वेद्धि ग्रामं वा नगराणि वा । खेटखर्वटदेशं वा जानामीह न कंचन ॥ १२:४९॥ अमुं सुशैलं पश्यामि विपुलोद्रकन्द्रम् । तमारुद्ध निरीक्ष्यामि ग्रामं नगरपत्तनम् ॥ १२:५०॥ एवमुत्तवा तु विपुलः शनैः पर्वतमारुहत् । वृक्षच्छायां समालोक्य निषसाद श्रमान्वितः ॥ १२:५१॥ एतिसम्नेव काले तु वृक्षशाखावतार्य च । अपूर्वं च सुरूपं च सुगन्धत्वं च शोभनम् ॥ १२:५२॥ फलं गृह्य विचित्रं च हृदयानन्दनं शुभम् । विपुलस्याग्रतः कृत्वा पुनर्वृक्षं समारुहत् ॥ १२:५३॥ विपुलश्चित्रवहृष्ट्वा विस्मयं परमं गतः । अहो वा स्वप्नभूतो ऽस्मि अहो वा तपसः फलम् ॥ १२:५४॥ न पश्यामि न जिन्नामि न च स्वादं च वेद्यहम् ।

⁴⁸c क गच्छामि] Σ , क्ष गच्छामि K_7 • क भोक्ष्यामि] C_{94} , क भोज्यामि $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}$, क भोक्ष्यानि C_{02} , क भोक्षामि K_7 , कि भोक्ष्यामि E (unmetr.) 49a विषयं वेदि] C_{94} $K_{82}K_{10}E$, विषमं वेदि $C_{45}C_{02}$, वियषं वे(िरम) K_7 49b वा] Σ , च $C_{45}K_{82}$ 49c खेट॰] Σ , क्षेत्र॰ C_{02} • ०खर्वट॰] E, ०कर्पट॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ 49d कंचन] em., कश्चन $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ 50a सुशैलं] Σ , सुशेलं K_7 50b विपुलो॰] Σ , विलो॰ K_{10} 50c निरीक्ष्यामि] Σ , निरीक्षामि K_7 51a एवमु॰] Σ , एकं उ॰ C_{45} 51b ०रहत] E, ०रहेत् $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ 51c ०च्छायां] Σ , ०च्छाया K_7 52a एतिसमन्नेव C_{02} , एतिसमन्नेव K_7 • काले तु] K_{94} 0, कालेन K_{95} 1, कालेन K_{95} 2, कालेन K_{95} 3, जियामि] K_{95} 3, पुनर्वृक्षं समारुहं K_{10} 5, ०त्रवहङ्खा] K_{95} 6, ०त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 7, ०त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 7, ७त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 7, ०त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 8, ०त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 9, ०त्रवहङ्खा] K_{95} 9, ०त्रवहङ्खा K_{95} 9, ०त्रव

वार्त्तापि न च मे श्रोता प्रतिजानामि कंचन ॥ १२:५५॥ एवमुक्त्वा ह्यनेकानि फलं गृह्य मनोरमम् । सुनिरीक्ष्य पुनर्जिघ्रन् पुनर्जिघ्रन्निरीक्ष्य च ॥ १२:५६॥ फलं चात्र निरूप्यन्तो देशं वाप्यवलोकयन् । पाथेयरहितश्चास्मि देवदत्तं फलं मम ॥ १२:५७॥ तत्फलं प्रतिगृह्यैव नगरं प्रविशाम्यहम् । प्रार्थियत्वा तु यित्किचिज्जीवनार्थं चराम्यहम् ॥ १२:५८॥ ततः शैलमितकम्य नगरं प्रविवेश ह । पथि कश्चिज्जनः पृष्ठः किनाम नगरं त्विदम् ॥ १२:५९॥ स होवाच पथीकेन किमपूर्विमहागतः । दक्षिणापथदेशो ऽयं नरवीरपुरं त्वदः ॥ १२:६०॥ राजा सिंहजटो नाम राज्ञी तस्य च केकयी ।

⁵⁵c श्रोता] Σ , श्रोत्रा C_{94} 55d कंचन] em., कश्चन $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ 56a ०मुक्तवा] Σ , ०मुक्ता C_{02} 56b गृह्य] Σ , गृह्ष K_{7} 56c ०निरीक्ष्य] Σ , ०निरीक्ष K_{7} 56cd पुनर्जिघन्पुनर्जिघन्] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}E$, मुन जिघ्रं पुन जिघ्रं C_{02} , पुनर्जिघ पुनर्जिघं C_{10} , प्रिंदं C_{10} , प्रं त्वयं C_{10} , प्रिंदं $C_{$

अतिवृद्धो जराग्रस्तः केकयी च तथैव च ॥ १२:६१ ॥ दाता सर्वकलाज्ञश्च युद्धे वीर्यबलान्वितः । ब्रह्मण्यो वत्सलो लोके सर्वशास्त्रविशारदः ॥ १२:६२ ॥ विपुल उवाच । अत्र श्रेष्ठिमुपास्यामि नाम वा तस्य किं वद । कतमो देश तद्वासः कथयस्व न संशयः ॥ १२:६३ ॥ विपुलेनैवमुक्तस्तु पथिकोवाच तं पुनः । मम भीमबलो नाम श्रेष्ठिकस्य गृहागतः ॥ १२:६४ ॥ श्रेष्ठिकः पुण्डको नाम ख्यातः श्रेष्ठिक उच्यते । कौतुकं तव यद्यस्ति तदागच्छ मया सह ॥ १२:६५ ॥ एवमस्त्वित तेनोक्तो विपुलेन महात्मना । तेनैव सह निर्यातः श्रेष्ठिकस्य गृहं प्रति ॥ १२:६६ ॥ श्रेष्ठिकः स्वगृहासीनो दृष्टः स विपुलेन तु । तस्यान्तिकमुपागम्य तत्फलं स निवेदितः ॥ १२:६० ॥

⁶¹d केकयी] Σ , केकयी C_{94} • तथैव च] Σ , तथैव र K_7 62a दाता] Σ , $\stackrel{1}{_{-}}$ ता C_{94} • ०कला०] E, ०कल० $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ 62b युद्धे] Σ , युद्धो K_{10} 63a ०पास्यामि] Σ , ०पस्यामि C_{02} 63b नाम] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{7}$, नामं $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}E$ • वद] Σ , वदः C_{45} 63c देश त०] $C_{02}K_{10}$, देशस्त० $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}E$ (unmetr.) 63d कथयस्व] Σ , कथयस्य C_{45} 64a विपुलेनैव०] Σ , विपुलेनेव० K_7 64c मम भीमवलो नाम] Σ , मम भी $\stackrel{1}{_{-}}$ बलो नाम C_{94} , om. E 64d श्रेष्ठिकस्य गृहागतः] Σ , श्रेष्ठिकस्य गृहागतः ॥ पथिको ऽहमिदानिञ्च । को भवान् तस्य विषये कि वा ज्ञातुं चिकीर्षिसि ॥ E 66a ०िस्त्वित] Σ , ०िस्तिति $C_{45}C_{02}$ • तेनोक्तो] Σ , तोनोक्तो K_7 , तेनोक्तौ E 66b ०त्मना] Σ , ०त्मनाः K_7 66c तेनैव] Σ , तेनेव K_7 66d प्रति] Σ , प्रतिः $C_{02}E$ 67a श्रेष्ठिकः] Σ , श्रेष्ठितः C_{94} , श्रेष्ठिक K_{82} 67b हप्टः स] C_{45} $K_{82}K_7E$, (ह) $\stackrel{1}{_{-}}$ $\stackrel{2}{_{-}}$ C_{94} , हप्ट स C_{02} , हप्टस्य K_{10} 67c ०गम्य] Σ , ०गत्य K_7 67d स निवेदितः] Σ , सिन्नवेदितः K_{82} , संनिवेदितः K_{82} , संनिवेदितः K_{82} , संनिवेदितः K_{82} , संनिवेदितः K_{82}

अहो फलिमदं श्रेष्ठमहो फलिमहानितम् । अहो रूपमहो गन्धमहो फलं सुशोभनम् ॥ १२:६८॥ तत्फलं न महीजातं न मेरौ न च मन्दरे । देवलोकिक सुव्यक्तं न मर्त्यमुपजायते ॥ १२:६९॥ अहो ऽस्मि स फलं भोक्ता राजाईं च न संशयः । ढौकियत्वा फलं दिव्यं राजानं तोषयाम्यहम् ॥ १२:७०॥ ततस्त्विरत गत्वैव फलं गृह्य मनोहरम् । आदरेणोपसृत्यैव राजानं स फलं ददौ ॥ १२:७१॥ राजा च स फलं दृष्ट्वा विस्मयं परमं गतः । कुतः श्रेष्ठि त्वया नीतं फलं पूर्वं मनोहरम् ॥ १२:७२॥ स्वादुमूलं फलं कन्दं दृष्टं पूर्वं न तादृशम् ।

 $oldsymbol{68ab}$ श्रेष्ठमहो] Σ , श्रेष्ठ अहो C_{02} $oldsymbol{68cd}$ गन्धमहो फलं] $\operatorname{corr.}$, गन्धमहो फल $\mathrm{C_{94}C_{45}^{\it pc}C_{02}K_{82}E}$, गन्धमहो गन्धमहो फल $\mathrm{C_{45}^{\it ac}}$, गन्ध अहो फल $\mathrm{K_{10}}$, गन्धो फलं अहो $\mathrm{K_7}$ **69a** तत्फ | Σ , यत्फ E **69b** मेरौ | $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{7}^{pc}E$, मेरो $C_{02}K_{10}K_{7}^{ac}$ • मन्दरे] conj., कन्दरे $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}E$ (69c) देवलोकिक] Σ , देवलोकि K_{10}^{ac} **69d** मर्त्यमुपजायते] $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, मर्त्य(मुपजा)-2- C_{94} , मर्त्य सुपजायते C_{45} , मह्यामुपजायते E (70a) अहो] Σ , 1 हो C_{94} , अद्यो E • स फलं] Σ , (स)फलम् C_{94} , तत्फलं $E \bullet Himi] \Sigma$, भोक्तं K_7 (70b) राजाई च] $C_{02}K_{10}$, राजाईश्च C_{94} $C_{45}K_7E$, राजार्ह(श्र) K_{82} (70c) ढौकयित्वा] Σ , ढोकयित्वा K_{10} (71a) त्विरत] $K_{82}K_7$ E, त्विरतं $C_\Sigma K_{10}$ (unmetr.) 71b गृह्य] Σ , गृह C_{45} • ०हरम्] Σ , ०रमम् $K_{10}E$ (71c) ०सृत्यैव] $C_{94}C_{45}E$, ०सृत्येव $C_{02}K_{10}K_7$, ०संगत्य K_{82} (71d) स फलं] Σ , तत्फलं E (72a) स फलं] Σ , तत्फलं E (72b) विस्मयं] Σ , विस्मय K_{10} (72c) श्रेष्ठि] Σ , श्रेष्ठ E (72d) फलं पूर्वं मनोहरम्] corr., फल. \pm हरम् C_{94} , फल(म्य)र्वमनोहरम् C_{45} , फलं पूर्व मनोहरम् $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, फलं सर्वमनोहरम् E (73a) ॰मूलं फलं] $K_{7\prime}$, ॰मूलफल॰ $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}E$ (73ab) कन्दं दृष्टं पू॰] em., ॰कन्दं दृष्ट्वा पू॰ $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}$, ०स्कन्द दृष्ट्वा पू॰ C_{45} , ०स्कन्द दृष्ट पू॰ C_{02} , कन्द दृष्ट(न्पू)॰ K_{7} , ०स्कन्द दृष्टा पू॰ E (73b) तादृशम्] Σ , तादृ(शं) C_{02} , यादृशम् E

स्त्यगन्धगुणोपेतं हृदयानन्दकारकम् ॥ १२:७३॥
सद्य एवोपयुञ्जामि त्वया दत्तमिदं फलम् ।
कीदृशं स्वाद विज्ञानमिच्छामि कुरु माचिरम् ॥ १२:७४॥
ततः स भक्षयामास फलं चामृतसंनिभम् ।
अमृतोपमसुस्वादं सर्वं च बुभुजे नृपः ॥ १२:७५॥
सद्यः षोडशवर्षस्य यौवनं समपद्यत ।
न वलीपलितं सद्यो न जरा न च दुर्बलः ॥ १२:७६॥
केशदन्तनखिन्ध्यो दृढदन्तो दृढेन्द्रियः ।
तेजश्रक्षुर्बलप्राणान्सद्यः सर्वोनवाप्तवान् ॥ १२:७७॥
मन्त्री पुरोहितो ऽमात्यः सर्वे भृत्यजनास्तथा ।
पौरस्त्री बालवृद्धाश्च सर्वे ते विस्मयं गताः ॥ १२:७८॥
राजा सिंहजटो नाम तृष्टिमेव परां गतः ।
प्रहर्षमतुलं चैव प्राप्तवान्स नरेश्वरः ॥ १२:७९॥
उवाच राजा तं श्रेष्टिं स्वार्थतत्परनिर्दयः ।

कुरु भीमबलस्त्वेवं फलमानय अद्य वै ॥ १२:८० ॥ पुनर्मे यौवनप्राप्तिस्त्वत्प्रसादान्नरोत्तम । केकयीं दुर्बलां वृद्धां पुनः प्रापय यौवनम् ॥ १२:८१ ॥ स राज्ञा एवमुक्तस्तु श्रेष्ठी भीमबलस्तथा । प्रत्युवाच ह राजानं प्राञ्जलिः प्रणतः स्थितः ॥ १२:८२ ॥ न वनेन वने राजन्न वाणिज्यकृषेण वा । केनापि कुलपुत्रेण तव दर्शनकांक्षया ॥ १२:८३ ॥ दत्तो ऽस्मि तेन राजेन्द्र मया दत्तो ऽसि भूपते । न ते शकोम्यहं राजन्वकुं वैदेशिनं नरम् ॥ १२:८४ ॥ श्रुत्वा भीमबलवाक्यं प्रत्युवाच ततः पुनः । श्रुत्वा भीमबलवाक्यं प्रत्युवाच ततः पुनः ॥ १२:८५ ॥ अमात्यकुलपुत्रस्त्वं ब्रूहि मद्वचनं पुनः ॥ १२:८५ ॥ यदि नास्ति किं मे दत्तं मया वा मार्गितो भवान् ।

⁸⁰c कुरु] Σ , श्रणु E • भीमबलस्त्वेवं] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}$, भीमवस्त्वेवं $C_{94}E$, भीमबलस्त्वेवं K_{10} , भीमबल(म्त्वे)वं K_7 81b ॰ तम] Σ , ॰ तमः E 81c केकयीं दुर्बलां] K_{82} , केकयी-दुर्बलान् C_{94} , केकयीं C_{45} , केकयीं दुर्बला $C_{02}K_{10}E$, केकयी दुर्बलां K_7 81cd वृद्धां पुनः] $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, $q(\mathbf{gl})$ - $\frac{2}{2}$ - C_{94} , वृद्धां पुनः $C_{02}E$ 81d प्रापय] Σ , प्राप C_{02} 82b श्रेष्ठी] $C_{02}E$, श्रेष्ठि $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$, श्रिष्ठि K_{10} • ० व्वलस्त्तदा $K_{10}K_7$ 82c ॰ वाच ह] Σ , ॰ वाचाह E • राजानं] Σ , राजान K_{82} 83a न वनेन] Σ , न फलेदं E 83ab राजन्न] Σ , राजान्न $C_{45}K_{10}$ 83c कुल॰] Σ , कु॰ K_7 84a ऽस्मि तेन] Σ , स्मिन्तेन K_{10} , ऽस्मि तव E 84b दत्तो ऽसि] C_{94} $C_{45}K_{10}K_7$, दत्तासि C_{02} , दत्तो स्मि K_{82} , प्राप्तोषि E 84c ते] Σ , च E 84cd राजन्वकुं] Σ , रा $\frac{2}{2}$ कुम् C_{94} , राजान्वकुम् C_{02} 84d वैदेशिनं नरम्] $C_{45}C_{02}K_{82}$ K_7 , (वै)देशिनन्नरम् C_{94} , वैदेशिनं नरः K_{10} , च देहि तन्नरः E 85a ॰ व्लल] $C_{94}C_{45}$, ॰ वलं $C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7E$ 85c अमात्य॰] Σ , अमत्य॰ K_{10} • ॰ पुत्रस्त्वं] Σ , ॰ पुत्रं त्वं K_7 86a कि मे दत्तं] K_7 , किमे दत्तं $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}$, किमेतत्तं E 86b मार्गितो] Σ , प्रार्थितो E • भवान्] Σ , भगवन् K_7

यत्र ह्येको बहवो ऽत्र जायन्ते नात्र संशयः ॥ १२:८६ ॥ आगमोपायमार्गं च तेनैव स तु गम्यताम् । अवश्यं तेन गन्तव्यं तेन मार्गेण मार्गय ॥ १२:८७ ॥ अदत्त्वा फलमन्यच शिरश्छेद्यामि दुर्मते । छेद्यश्चण्डिवचण्डाभ्यां रक्ष भीमबलाधमः ॥ १२:८८ ॥ ततो भीमबलः कुद्धः खङ्गं गृह्य शशिप्रभम् । अलङ्ख्य वचनं राज्ञः कुलपुत्र व्रज त्वरम् ॥ १२:८९ ॥ मा रुष कुलपुत्र त्वं मया वध्यो भविष्यसि । सद्यो ऽस्ति फलमन्यद्वा देहि राजानमद्य वे ॥ १२:९० ॥ यत्र प्राप्तं फलं दिव्यं तत्र वादेशय त्वरम् । तत्फलेन विना भद्र दुर्लभं तव जीवितम् ॥ १२:९१ ॥ विपुल उवाच । जीविताशामहं प्राप्तो वैदेशी भवनं तव ।

87d C_{02} breaks off here missing one folio (f. 291); it resumes at 12.113d on f. 292.

⁸⁶c यत्र ह्येको बह्वो ऽत्र] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, यत्रैको बह्वो ऽत्रैव C_{45} , यत्रश्रैक बहून्तत्र C_{02} , यत्रश्रैको बहून्तत्र E 86d जायन्ते] Σ , जायते C_{02} 87b तेनैव] Σ , तैनैव C_{02} 87c अवश्यं तेन] Σ , अव(स्य) ्री. न C_{94} • गन्तव्यं] Σ , (बुद्ध) व्यं C_{45} 87d मार्गय] Σ , मार्गयः E 88a अद्त्ता] Σ , अद्त्ता K_{10} , अद्त्वाफत्वा K_7^{ac} 88c छेद्यश्च०] K_{82} , छेद्ये च० $C_{94}K_{10}$, छेदे च० $C_{45}K_7$, छेद्य च० E 88d ०धमः] Σ , ०धम C_{45} 89a ०वलः] Σ , ०वल K_{82} 89b शाशिप्रभम्] Σ , शशी प्रदम् E 89c अलिख्य] Σ , थलिख्य E 1,0, उवाच E • राज्ञः] Σ , राजा E 1,0 कुलपुत्र वजन्यरं E 90a ०पुत्र त्वं] Σ , ०पुत्रस्त्वं E 90b वध्यो] Σ , वद्यौ E • मिवध्यित] Σ , भविष्यित E 91b ०देशय] Σ , ०देशयत् E • त्वरम्] сопј., तव E E 91b ०देशय] E 0,0 ०पुत्रस्त्वं E 90b वदेशय] E 0,0 ०पुत्रस्त्वं E 0,0 ०पुत्रस्त्वं E 90b वदेशय] E 0,0 ०पुत्रस्त्वं E 0,0 ०

कृतकर्ता कथं वध्यः प्राप्नुयामहमद्य वै ॥ १२:९२ ॥ फलं वा न पुनस्त्वन्यद्दातुं शक्यं न केनचित् । सह्यपर्वतशैलाग्रे आसीनः श्रान्तमानसः ॥ १२:९३ ॥ वानरस्तत्फलं गृह्य मम दत्त्वा पुनर्गतः । मया दत्तमिदं तुभ्यं त्वयापि च नराधिपे ॥ १२:९४ ॥ तत्र गच्छाव भो श्रेष्ठि दृश्यते यदि वानरः । त्वया मया च गत्वैव याचावः प्रवगाधिपम् ॥ १२:९५ ॥ श्रेष्ठिना च तथेत्याह गच्छामः सहिता वयम् । यत्र प्राप्तं फलं तुभ्यं मोक्षयामो न संशयः ॥ १२:९६ ॥ रुद्र उवाच । तमारुद्य गिरिं सद्यं मार्गमाणः समन्ततः । विपुलेन ततो दृष्टो वानरः प्रवगाधिपः ॥ १२:९७ ॥ अयं स वानरश्रेष्ठो वृक्षच्छायां समाश्रितः । मम पुण्यबलेनैव दृश्यते ऽद्यापि वानरः ॥ १२:९८ ॥ वानर कुरु मित्रार्थं सद्यो मृत्युर्भवेन्मम ।

⁹²d प्राप्तुयाम०] Σ , प्राप्तुयाम० K_{82} , प्राप्तो ऽयम० E • ०हमद्य वै] Σ , ०हपद्य वै K_{10} , ०हमद्य वै : K_7 93a वा न] Σ , वा C_{45} 93ab ०न्यद्दातुं] Σ , ०न्य दातुं K_7 93b शक्यं न केनिचत्] Σ , शक्य \mathbb{Z} निचत् \mathbb{C}_{94} , शक्यं न तेनिचद् \mathbb{K}_7 93d आसीनः] Σ , आशीतः \mathbb{C}_{45} • श्रान्त०] Σ , श्रोत्त० \mathbb{C}_{45} , सान्त० \mathbb{K}_{10} 94b मम] Σ , मह्यं E 94c तुभ्यं] Σ , तुभ्य \mathbb{K}_{10} 94d ०िघपे] Σ , ०िघप \mathbb{K}_{10} 95d च गत्वैव] Σ , (त)गवत्वैव \mathbb{K}_7 • याचावः प्रवगािधपम्] \mathbb{C}_{45} , यो वासः प्रवगािधपः $\mathbb{C}_{94}\mathbb{K}_{82}$ $\mathbb{K}_{10}\mathbb{K}_7E$ 96a तथेत्याह्] $\mathbb{C}_{94}\mathbb{K}_{10}E$, तथैत्याह $\mathbb{C}_{45}\mathbb{K}_{82}\mathbb{K}_7$ 96b गच्छामः] Σ , ग. \mathbb{E}_{10} मस् \mathbb{C}_{94} , गच्छाम \mathbb{K}_7 96c प्राप्तं] Σ , प्राप्तं \mathbb{E}_{10} 97d वानरः] Σ , तथन्य \mathbb{E}_{10} 101रं] Σ , गिरि \mathbb{C}_{45} 97b ०मानः] Σ , ०मानाः \mathbb{E}_{10} 97d वानरः] Σ , वानर \mathbb{E}_{10} 98a वानर श्रेष्ठो] Σ , वानरः श्रेष्ठे \mathbb{E}_{10} 98b वृक्षच्छायां] \mathbb{K}_7 , वृक्षच्छायां \mathbb{E}_{10} 98a वानर \mathbb{E}_{10} 99b मृत्युर्भ० \mathbb{E}_{10} 1 \mathbb{E}_{10} 1

पूर्वदत्तं फलमन्यदेहि वानर जीवय ॥ १२:९९॥ वानर उवाच । गन्धर्वेण तु मे दत्तं फलं दत्तं तु ते मया । पुनरन्यत्कथं दास्ये तत्र गच्छ यदीच्छिस ॥ १२:१००॥ विपुल उवाच । अदत्त्वा तत्फलं तुभ्यं जीवितुं संशयो भवेत् । अथवा तत्र गच्छामो यत्र चित्ररथः स्वयम् ॥ १२:१०१॥ वानरः पुनरेवाह एवं कुर्वामहे वयम् । ततिश्चत्ररथावासमुपगम्येदमब्रवीत् ॥ १२:१०२॥ गन्धर्वराज कार्यार्थीं त्वामहं पुनरागतः । पूर्वदत्तफलं त्वन्यदेहि मां यदि शक्यते ॥ १२:१०३॥ गन्धर्वराज उवाच । सूर्यलोकगतश्चािस्म तेन दत्तं फलोत्तमम् । मया दत्तं फलं तुभ्यमत्यन्तसुहृदो ऽसि मे ॥ १२:१०४॥

कुतो ऽन्यत्फलमादास्ये मम नास्ति प्लवङ्गम । सूर्यलोकं गमिष्यामस्तत्र याचस्व भास्करम् ॥ १२:१०५ ॥ गन्धर्वेनैवमुक्तस्तु तथेत्याह प्लवङ्गमः । सूर्यलोकं ततः प्राप्ता गन्धर्वादय सर्वशः ॥ १२:१०६ ॥ गन्धर्व उवाच । कार्यार्थेन पुनः प्राप्तस्त्वत्सकाशं खगेश्वर । पूर्वदत्तफलं त्वन्यदेहि जीवमनाशय ॥ १२:१०० ॥ सूर्य उवाच । सोमलोकगतश्चास्मि तेन दत्तं फलोक्तमम् । स फलं दत्तमेवासि सुहृदत्वान्मया तव ॥ १२:१०८ ॥ अन्यद्दातुं न शकोमि गच्छ सोमपुराद्य वै । तं प्रार्थयाविकल्पेन अत्रिपुत्रं ग्रहेश्वरम् ॥ १२:१०९ ॥ रुद्र उवाच ।

गताः सूर्याय्रतः कृत्वा सोमलोकं तथैव हि । उवाच सूर्यः सोमाय कारणापेक्षया शशिम् ॥ १२:११०॥ सोम उवाच । किमर्थमागतो भूयः कर्तव्यं तत्र भास्कर । फलं दातुं पुनस्त्वन्यन्मुक्त्वा त्वन्यत्करोम्यहम् ॥ १२:१११॥ सूर्य उवाच । यदि शक्यं फलं देहि अन्यन्न प्रार्थयाम्यहम् । न दत्तासि फलमन्यन्मया वध्यो भविष्यसि ॥ १२:११२॥ सोम उवाच । आगमं तस्य वक्ष्यामि श्रणुष्वावहितो भव । इन्द्रेणास्मि फलं दत्तं स फलं दत्त मे भवान् ॥ १२:११३॥ गत्वैवेन्द्रसदस्त्वन्यत्प्रार्थयामः सहैव तु । एवं कुर्म इति प्राह गत्वेन्द्रसदनं प्रति ॥ १२:११४॥

113d C_{02} resumes here with दत्त मे भवान्

सोमेनेन्द्रमुवाचेदं फलकामा इहागताः ।
पूर्वदत्तफलमन्यदेहि शक ममाद्य वै ॥ १२:११५ ॥
इन्द्र उवाच ।
यद्र्थमिह सम्प्राप्तः स च नास्ति निशाकर ।
विष्णुहस्तान्मया प्राप्तमेकमेव फलं शुभम् ॥ १२:११६ ॥
सर्व एव हि गच्छामो विष्णुलोकं ग्रहेश्वर ।
सर्व एवोपजग्मुस्ते फलार्थं मधुसूदनम् ॥ १२:११७ ॥
एवमुक्त्वा गताः सर्वे देवराजपुरस्कृताः ।
मुहूर्तेनेव सम्प्राप्ता विष्णुलोकं यशस्विनि ॥ १२:११८ ॥
उपसृत्य तत इन्द्रः प्रणिपत्य जनार्दनम् ।
सर्वेषामुपरोधेन प्रार्थयामि यशोधर् ॥ १२:११९ ॥
विष्णुक्तवाच ।
पूर्वदत्तफलस्यार्थे तच्च सर्विमहागताः ।

117cd This folio side in $K_{\scriptscriptstyle 10}$ (verses 12.117–138) is faded and most of it is difficult to read, thus its readings reported are less reliable than usual

न शकोमि फलं दातुं किं वा त्वन्यत्करोम्यहम् ॥ १२:१२०॥ इन्द्र उवाच । ब्रह्माण्डमपि भेत्तुं त्वं शकोषि गरुडध्वज । अशक्यं तव नास्तीति जानामि पुरुषोत्तम ॥ १२:१२१॥ एवमुक्तः पुनर्विष्णुः प्रत्युवाच पुरन्दरम् । फलमेकं परित्यज्य सर्वं शकोमि कौशिक ॥ १२:१२२॥ उपायो ऽत्र प्रवक्ष्यामि आगमं शृणु गोपते । ब्रह्मणा च मम दत्तं तत्फलैकं पुरन्दर् ॥ १२:१२३॥ मया दत्तं फलं त्वेकं किमन्यद्दातुमिच्छिस । प्रार्थयामो ऽत्र गत्वैकं परमेष्टिप्रजापतिम् ॥ १२:१२४॥ तवोपरोधाद्देवेन्द्र प्रार्थयामि पितामहम् । एवमुक्त्वा गताः सर्वे पुरस्कृत्य जनार्दनम् ॥ १२:१२५॥ इन्द्रः सूर्यः शशी चैव गन्धर्वो वानरस्तथा ।

विपुलः श्रेष्ठिकश्चैव राजदूतद्वयं तथा ॥ १२:१२६ ॥ ब्रह्मलोकं मुहूर्तेन प्राप्तवान्सुरसुन्द्रि । दृष्ट्वा ब्रह्मसदो रम्यं सर्वकामपरिच्छदम् ॥ १२:१२७ ॥ अनेकानि विचित्राणि रलानि विविधानि च । मन्दारतल शोभानि वैडूर्यमणिकुट्टिमान् ॥ १२:१२८ ॥ प्रवालमणिस्तम्भानि वज्रकाञ्चनवेदिकाम् । प्रवालस्फाटिको जाल इन्द्रनीलगवाक्षकः ॥ १२:१२९ ॥ पश्यते विपुलस्तत्र नानावृक्ष मनोरमाः । पृष्पानामितवृक्षाग्राः फलानामितका भवेत् ॥ १२:१३० ॥ सर्वरत्नमया वृक्षाः सर्वरत्नमयं जलम् । वृक्षगुल्मलतावल्ली कन्दमूलफलानि च ॥ १२:१३१ ॥ सर्वे रत्नमया दृष्टा विपुलो विपुलेक्षणः । अनेकभौमं प्रासादं मुक्तादामविभूषितम् ॥ १२:१३२ ॥ अनेकभौमं प्रासादं मुक्तादामविभूषितम् ॥ १२:१३२ ॥

¹²⁶c विपुलः] Σ , विपुल $K_{82}K_{10}$ 126d ॰ द्वयं तथा] E, ॰ द्वयस्तथा E_{Σ} $E_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ 127a ॰ लोकं] Σ , ॰ लोक E_{10} ॰ लाकं] E, ॰ लाक E_{10} ॰ लाकं] E, ॰ लाक E_{10} ॰ लाकं] E, ॰ लाकं E_{10} ॰ लाकं] E, ॰ लाकं E_{10} ॰ लाकं E_{1

अप्सरोगणकोटीिमः सर्वाभरणभूषितम् । विमानकोटिकोटीनां सर्वकामसमन्वितम् ॥ १२:१३३॥ ब्रह्मलोकसभा रम्या सूर्यकोटिसमप्रभा । तत्र ब्रह्मा सुखासीनो नानारत्नोपशोभिते ॥ १२:१३४॥ चतुर्मूर्तिश्चतुर्वऋश्चतुर्बाहुश्चतुर्भुजः । चतुर्वेद्घरो देवश्चतुराश्रमनायकः ॥ १२:१३५॥ चतुर्वेदावृतस्तत्र मूर्तिमन्तमुपासते । गायत्री वेदमाता च सावित्री च सुरूपिणी ॥ १२:१३६॥ व्याहृतिः प्रणवश्चैव मूर्तिमान्समुपासते । वौषद्वारो वषद्वारो नमस्कारः स मूर्तिमान् ॥ १२:१३७॥ श्रुतिः स्मृतिश्च नीतिश्च धर्मशास्त्रं समूर्तिमत् ।

133 cf. ŚDhŚ 10.41 (on the results of an observance) : सूर्यकोटिप्रतीकाशौर्विमानैः सार्व-कामिकैः । रुद्रकन्यासमाकीर्णैर्महावृषभसंयुतैः ॥

इतिहासः पुराणं च सांख्ययोगः पतञ्जलम् ॥ १२:१३८ ॥ आयुर्वेदो धनुर्वेदो वेदो गान्धर्वमेव च । अर्थवेदो ऽन्यवेदाश्च मूर्तिमान् समुपासते ॥ १२:१३९ ॥ ततो ब्रह्मा समुत्थाय अभिगम्य जनार्दनम् । गां च अर्ध च दत्त्वेवमास्यतामिति चाब्रवीत् ॥ १२:१४० ॥ मणिरत्नमये दिव्ये आसने गरुडध्वजः । देवराजो रविः सोमो गन्धर्वः प्रवगेश्वरः ॥ १२:१४१ ॥ विपुलश्च महासत्त्व आस्यतां रत्न-आसने । साधु भो विपुल श्रेष्ठ साधु भो विपुलं तपः ॥ १२:१४२ ॥ साधु भो विपुलप्राज्ञ साधु भो विपुलश्चिय । तोषिताः स्म वयं सर्वे ब्रह्मविष्णुमहेश्वराः ॥ १२:१४३ ॥

⁽¹³⁸d) सांख्ययोगः] Σ , सांख्ययोग C_{02} , $\preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq K_{10}$ ullet पतञ्जलम्] Σ , $\preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq$ K_{10} , पतञ्जलि E (139a) आयुर्वेदो धनुर्वेदो] Σ , ०वेद धनुर्वेद C_{02} , \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq \preceq वेदो गान्धर्वमेव] $C_{94}K_{82}$, वेदो गन्धर्वमेव C_{45} , वेद गान्धर्वमेव K_{10} (139b) ऽन्यवेदाश्च] E, अर्थवेदान्यवेदाञ्च C_{94} , अथर्ववेदान्यवेदञ्च C_{45} (unmetr.), अथर्व्वेदान्यवेदाञ्च C_{02} , अर्थवेदान्यवेदां च K_{82} , $\simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq K_{10}$, अर्थवेदान्यवेदञ्च K_7 (139d) मूर्तिमान् समुपासते] Σ , \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq \simeq K_{10} ततो ब्रह्मा समुत्थाय अभिगम्य C_{45} , अर्घ्यञ्च E (141c) रविः सोमो] Σ , र(वि) सोमो K_{10} , राशी सूर्यौ E (141d) गन्धर्वः] Σ , गन्धर्वं K_{82} , $\simeq \simeq \simeq K_{10}$ • प्रवगेश्वरः] $C_{94}C_{45}^{pc}C_{02}K_{82}E$, प्रगेश्वरः \mathbf{C}^{ac}_{45} , $imes imes imes imes imes imes imes_{10}$, स्रवमेश्वरः \mathbf{K}_7 (142a) विपुलश्च महासत्त्व] Σ , विपुलश्च समासत्व C_{45} , $\ \ \, \cong \ \, \cong \ \ \, \cong \ \,$ \mathbf{K}_{82} , ०शाशने $\mathbf{K}_{10}\mathbf{E}$, ०आसनेः \mathbf{K}_7 142c साधु भो] Σ , साधु हो \mathbf{C}_{45} , \preceq \preceq \preceq \mathbf{K}_{10} **142d** विपुलं तपः] $K_{82}K_{10}E$, (वि) 3 पः C_{94} , विपुलतपः $C_{45}C_{02}K_7$ **143b** ०श्रिय] $C_{94}K_{10}K_{77}$ ०प्रियः C_{457} ०श्रियः $C_{02}K_{82}E$ (143c) तोषिताः] Σ , तोषिता $K_{82}E$

आदित्या वसवो रुद्राः साध्याश्विनौ मरुत्तथा ।
भुङ्क्ष भोगान्यथोत्साहं मम लोके यथासुखम् ॥ १२:१४४ ॥
इयं विमानकोटीनां तवार्थायोपकित्यता ।
सहस्राणां सहस्राणि अप्सरा कामरूपिणी ।
तवार्थीयोपसपिन्ति सर्वालंकारभूषिताः ॥ १२:१४५ ॥
यावत्कल्पसहस्राणि परार्धानि तपोधन ।
यत्र यत्र प्रयासित्वं तत्र तत्रोपभुज्यताम् ॥ १२:१४६ ॥
महेश्वर उवाच ।
इति श्रुत्वा वचस्तस्य विपुलो विपुलेक्षणः ।
वेपमानो भयत्रस्त अश्रुपूर्णाकुलेक्षणः ॥ १२:१४० ॥
प्रणम्य शिरसा भूमौ प्रणिपत्य पुनः पुनः ।
उवाच मधुरं वाक्यं ब्रह्मलोकिपतामहम् ॥ १२:१४८ ॥
विपुल उवाच ।
भगवन्सर्वलोकेश सर्वलोकिपतामह ।

¹⁴⁴a रुद्राः] $C_{\Sigma}K_{s2}$, रुद्रा $K_{10}K_{7}E$ 144b साध्याश्विनौ] K_{10} , साध्याश्विन्यौ $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, साध्याश्विन्यौ $C_{02}K_{7}$, साध्या यक्षो E • मरुत्तथा] Σ , मरुत्तस्तथा C_{02} 144c मुद्ध] Σ , मुत्तवा K_{10} , मुंक्ष E • भोगान्यथोत्साहं] Σ , भोगा यथेत्साह C_{02} भोगा यथेत्साहं K_{10} 144d लोके] Σ , लोक K_{10} 145a •कोटीनां] Σ , •कोटीनि C_{02} , •कोटीना K_{10} 145b तवार्थायोप•] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{7}E$, तवार्थापि• C_{45} , त्वर्यार्थं याव• C_{02} , तवार्थायोप• K_{10} • •कित्पता] $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$, •कित्पतं C_{02} , •कित्प्यः K_{10} K_{7} , •कित्पतान् E 145c सहस्राणां] Σ , सहस्राणां C_{45} 145d अप्सरा] Σ , अप्सरो C_{02} • •रूपिणी] Σ , •रूपिण E 145e तवार्थीयो•] C_{94} , तवार्थायो• $C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$, तंवार्थीयो• C_{02} , तवार्थयो• E 145f •सर्पिन्त] Σ , •पप्यन्ति K_{7} • •प्रूपिताः] Σ , •प्रूपितः K_{82} 146a परार्धानि] Σ , पराणि C_{45}^{ac} • •धन] Σ , •धनाः E 146d •पभुज्यताम्] Σ , •प्रभुज्यताम् K_{10} 147b विपुलो] Σ , •ण्याः E 147d अशु•] Σ , अश्व• E0 • •पूर्णा•] E148d •लोक•] E2, लोक E3 । E3, शर्ष • E3 • •प्रूपं] E3, भग्रस• E4 • •प्रूपं] E4, भग्रस• E5 • •प्रूपं] E5, शर्ष • •प्रूपं] E5, शर्ष • •प्रूपं] E5, शर्ष • •प्रूपं • •प्रूपं] E5, शर्ष • •प्रूपं • •प्र

स्वप्नभूतिमवाश्चर्यं पश्यामि त्रिद्शेश्वर । स्मृतिभ्रंशश्च मे जातो बुद्धिर्जातान्धचेतना ॥ १२:१४९ ॥

तुभ्यं त्रैलोक्यबन्धो भव मम शरणं त्राहि संसारघोराद्
भीतो ऽहं गर्भवासाज्जरमरणभयात्त्वाहि मां मोहबन्धात् । नित्यं रोगाधिवासमनियतवपुषं त्राहि मां कालपाशात् तिर्यं चान्योन्यभक्षं बहुयुगशतशस्त्राहि मोहान्धकारात् ॥ १२: १५० ॥

श्रुत्वैवोवाच ब्रह्मा विपुलमित पुनर्मानयित्वा यथावद् आहृतसम्स्रवान्ते भविष्यसि तव मे जन्मलोभो न भूयः । गर्भावासं न च त्वन्न च पुनमरणं क्षेशमायासपूर्णं छित्त्वा मोहान्धशत्रुं व्रजसि च परमं ब्रह्मभूयत्वमेषि ॥ १२:१५१ ॥

⁽¹⁴⁹c) स्वप्नभूतमिवा॰] Σ , स्वप्नमितमिवा॰ C_{02} (149f) बुद्धिर्जातान्धचेतना] C_{Σ} , बुद्धिर्जान्धचेतना K_{s2}^{ac} , बुद्धिर्जातन्धचेतना K_{s2}^{pc} , बुद्धि जातन्धचेना K_{10} , बुद्धि जातात्वचेतना K_7 , बुद्धिर्जातो ऽन्धचेतनः । मुढो ऽहं त्वां कथं स्तौमि ज्ञानातीतं परात्परम् ॥ E (150a) तुभ्यं] Σ , तुभ्यंस् K_{10} , नमस् $E \bullet \hat{A}$ लोक्य $\circ \] \Sigma$, त्रेलोक्य $\circ C_{45} \bullet \circ \hat{A}$ $\circ \hat{A}$ $\circ \hat{A}$ K_{82} • ॰घोराद्] corr., ॰घोरम् $C_{94}C_{02}K_{10}E$, ॰घोरात् C_{45} , ॰घोरः K_{82} , ॰(घोरात)त् \mathbf{K}_7 (150b) ॰साज्जर॰] Σ , ॰सा जर॰ \mathbf{C}_{02} , ॰साज्जनु॰ \mathbf{E} • ॰मरण॰] Σ , ॰ण॰ \mathbf{K}_{10}^{ac} • ०भयात्] E, भयं $C_{\Sigma}K_{82}K_{10}K_{7}$ (150c) नित्यं] Σ , नित्य॰ C_{45} (unmetr.) • रोगा॰] Σ , ॰रागा॰ E • ॰वासमनियत॰] Σ , ॰वासमितयत॰ C_{45} , ॰वासंमिनयत॰ K_{82} • ०वपुषं त्राहि मां] Σ , ०(वपुष त्राहि मा) C_{45} • कालपाशात्] Σ , कापाशात् K_{82}^{ac} , कालपाशान् (150d) तिर्यं चान्योन्यभक्षं] Σ , तिर्यं चान्यान्यभक्षं K_{10} , तिर्यश्चान्योन्यभक्षं E ullet॰शतशस्त्राहि | Σ , ॰सतस त्राहि C_{02} (151a) श्रुत्वैवोवाच | Σ , श्रुत्वैव वाच E • ॰मित | $C_{02}E$, ॰मितः $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ (unmetr.) • मानियत्वा] Σ , माणियत्वा K_7 , मानयंवा ${
m E}$ • यथावद्] corr., यथावत् ${
m C}_\Sigma {
m K}_{82}^{pc} {
m K}_{10} {
m K}_7 {
m E}$, वत् ${
m K}_{82}^{ac}$ (151b) आहृत] Σ , आभूत ${\bf E}$ ● सम्प्रवान्ते] ${\bf C}_{02}$, सम्प्रवन्ते ${\bf C}_{94}{\bf C}_{45}{\bf K}_{82}{\bf K}_{10}{\bf E}$, संप्रवंन्ते ${\bf K}_7$ ● भविष्यसि] ${\bf \Sigma}$, भविष्य C_{02} , अविपिल $E ullet \dot{\mu}$ जन्मलोभो न $] \ C_{\Sigma} K_{82}$, में जन्मलाभो न $K_{10} K_7$, यजन्मलाभानु E ulletभूयः] Σ , भूय K_7 (151c) • वासं न च त्वन्न] $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$, • वासन्न C_{45} , • वासा न च त्वन्न C_{02} , •वासानुबन्धं न E • पुनमरणं] $C_{02}E$, पुनर्मरणं $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$ (unmetr.), पुनर्मण C_{45} • ०पूर्णम्] Σ , ०पूर्ण्णं C_{02}

महेश्वर उवाच । ब्रह्मणा एवमुक्तस्तु विष्णुना प्रभविष्णुना । एवं भवतु भद्रं वो यथोवाच पितामहः ॥ १२:१५२ ॥ इन्द्रेण रविणा चैव सोमेन च पुनः पुनः । साध्यादित्यैर्मरुदुद्रैर्विश्वेभिर्वसवैस्तथा ॥ १२:१५३ ॥ अहो तपःफलं दिव्यं विपुलस्य महात्मनः । स्वश्रारीरो दिवं प्राप्तः श्रद्धयातिथिपूजया ॥ १२:१५४ ॥ एवमादीन्यनेकानि विपुले परिकीर्तितम् । ब्रह्माणं पुनरेवाह विष्णुर्विश्वजगत्प्रभुः ॥ १२:१५५ ॥

॥ इति वृषसारसंग्रहे विपुलोपाख्यानो नामाध्यायो द्वादशमः ॥

¹⁵¹d cf. Manu 1.98cd : स हि धर्मार्थमुत्पन्नो ब्रह्मभूयाय कल्पते and Manu 12.102cd : इहैव लोके तिष्ठन्स ब्रह्मभ्याय कल्पते

An Annotated Translation of Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha 1-12



[prathamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter One]

[stutiḥ— Invocation]

anādimadhyāntam anantapāraṃ susūkṣmam avyaktajagatsusāram | harīndrabrahmādibhir āsamagraṃ praṇamya vakṣye vṛṣasārasaṃgraham || 1:1 ||

Having bowed to the One without beginning, middle, or end, whose limits are boundless, who is most subtle, the unmanifest and the fine essence of the world—and also to Indra, Brahmā, and all the other [gods]—I shall recite [the work entitled] 'A Compendium on the Essence of the Bull [of Dharma]'.

anādimadhyāntam anantavīryam anantabāhuṃ śaśisūryanetram | paśyāmi tvāṃ dīptahutāśavaktraṃ svatejasā viśvam idaṃ tapantam ||. See also BhG 10.20cd:

aham ādiś ca madhyam ca bhūtānām anta eva ca ||.

A faint reference to the BhG seems proper at the beginning of a work that claims to deliver a teaching based on, but also to surpass, the MBh (see following verses of the VSS).

Compare also, e.g., Kūrmapurāņa 1.11.237:

rūpaṃ tavāśeṣakalāvihīnam agocaraṃ nirmalam ekarūpam | anādimadhyāntam anantam ādyaṃ namāmi satyam tamasaḥ parastāt ||.

In general, to say that a god has no beginning and no end in a temporal or spacial sense is natural ($an\bar{a}di...antam$), but to have no 'middle part' (madbya) in these senses is slightly less so. Thus the rather commonly occurring phrase $an\bar{a}dimadby\bar{a}ntam$ is probably a fixed expression usually referring to a deity that is endless, eternal and immaterial. As to which deity or what form of a deity this stanza refers to, one could argue that it is Śiva, his name conspicuously missing in $p\bar{a}da$ c, but the phrasing of the verse is vague enough to keep the question somewhat open: the impersonal Brahman might be another option, even more so if we look at verses 1.9-10, whose topic is $brahmavidy\bar{a}$.

In pāda b jagat-susāram is most probably not to be interpreted as jagatsu sāram ('the essence in the worlds'); and another way to translate avyaktajagatsusāram would be: 'who is the fine essence of the unmanifest world.'

Strictly speaking, pāda c is unmetrical, but it is better to simply acknowledge here the phenomenon of 'muta cum liquida', or rather, krama licence, namely that syllables followed by consonant clusters such as ra, bra, hra, kra, śra, śya, śva, sva, dva can be treated as light or short (laghu) (see pp. 39 ff.) Thus harīndrabrahmā° can be treated as a regular

^{1.1} Metre: *upajāti*. *Pāda* a is reminiscent of, among other famous passages, *Bhaga-vadgītā* 11.19:

[janamejayavaiśampāyanasaṃvādaḥ —
Dialogue of Janamejaya and Vaiśampāyana]
śatasāhasrikaṃ granthaṃ sahasrādhyāyam uttamam |
parva cāsya śatam pūrnam śrutvā bhāratasamhitām || 1:2 ||

Having listened to the *Bhāratasaṃhitā* [i.e., the *Mahābhārata*], the supreme book of a hundred thousand [verses] and a thousand chapters (*adhyāya*), with all its hundred sections (*parvan*),

beginning of an *upajāti* (- - - -), the syllable *bra* not turning the previous syllable long (*guru*).

The reading \bar{a} samagram in $p\bar{a}$ da c is suspect; the initial \bar{a} - before samagra ('whole') might convey some sort of completeness, adding the meaning 'completely' (see, e.g., Kale 1992, 226). The fact that we could perceive the ending of *pādas* a and b (*pāraṃ-sāram*), as well as pādas c and d (gram-graham), as (in the latter case, oddly) rhyming pairs suggests that accepting—and not emending—the reading asamagram could be the right decision (as suggested by Alessandro Battistini). I try to translate this verse accordingly. M gives an exciting, albeit unmetrical, alternative (yat samagram), but this seems more of a guess than the correct reading. For some time I was considering emending asamagram. The most tempting of all the possible options (arcyam/arhyam/arghyam/īdyam/ādhyam/āptam agram, āsamastam) seemed to be āptam agram, meaning 'appointed/received/respected [by Hari, Indra, Brahmā etc.] as the foremost one'. The fact that the aksaras āsam and *āptam* look similar in most of the scripts used in the witnesses could support this conjecture. āptam could also possibly refer to the text itself, although then the syntax becomes slightly confusing: 'I shall recite the Vṛṣasārasamgraha that was first received by Hari...,' etc. Another candidate was ādhyam agram: 'Having bowed to [Him] who contains/is rich with Hari, Indra, Brahmā, etc.' I have not emended the text because it is difficult to know if there is any need for change and if there is, which reading to chose. There was no consensus when this verse was discussed in our extended Sivadharma reading group.

VSS 1.1 is echoed in VSS 20.3:

nādimadhyaṃ na cāntaṃ ca yan na vedyaṃ surair api | atisūkṣmo hy atisthūlo nirālambo nirañjanaḥ ||.

This could suggest that *pāda* c above might be parallel with *na vedyaṃ surair api*. Perhaps understand *asamagraṃ* [*vedyaṃ*] ('incompletely [known]).

Pāda d seems hypermetrical, but it can be interpreted as a vaṃśastha line, a change from triṣṭubh to jagatī (as suggested by Dominic Goodall).

1.2 The dialogue of Janamejaya and Vaiśampāyana makes up the outermost layer of the VSS (see p. 11), mostly containing general *dharmaśāstric* material.

That the MBh should contain a hundred thousand verses is hinted at, e.g., in line 19 of Khoh Charter 2 of Śarvanātha, year 214 (Siddham Database IN00088; uktań ca mahābhārate śatasāhasryaṃ [understand °ryāṃ] saṃhitāyāṃ...). The hundred parvans of the Mahābhārata are listed in MBh 1.2.33–70. Note the use of the singular (parva) in connection with numerals (śataṃ), one of the hallmarks of this text (see p. 33).

atṛptaḥ puna papraccha vaiśampāyanam eva hi | janamejayena yat pūrvaṃ tac chṛṇu tvam atandritam || 1:3 ||

Janamejaya remained unsatisfied. Listen attentively to what he asked Vaiśampāyana in the past.

janamejaya uvāca | bhagavan sarvadharmajña sarvaśāstraviśārada | asti dharmaṃ paraṃ guhyaṃ saṃsārārṇavatāraṇam || 1:4 ||

Janamejaya spoke: O venerable sir, O knower of the entire Dharma, O you who are well-versed in all the sciences (śāstra)! There is a supreme and secret Dharma [that brings about] liberation from the ocean of mundane existence (saṃsāra),

dvaipāyanamukhodgīrṇaṃ dharmaṃ vā yad dvijottama | kathayasva hi me tṛptiṃ kuru yatnāt tapodhana || 1:5 ||

For an unsatisfaction or dissatisfaction (atrpti) with previous teachings in a somewhat similar manner to what Janamejaya experiences here, see, e.g., Niśvāsa mūlasūtra 1.9: vedāntam viditam deva sāmkhyam vai pañcaviṃśakam |

na ca tṛptiṃ gamiṣyāmo hy ṛte śaivād anugrahāt ||.

Vaiśampāyana, a Rṣi, disciple of Vyāsa, great-grandson of Arjuna, recited the *Mahābhārata* at the snake sacrifice of Janamejaya. This setting echoes of the starting point of the MBh, see MBh 1.1.8ff. In fact the next few verses in the VSS make it clear that the VSS picks up where the MBh left off: Janamejaya has heard the whole *Mahābhārata* from Vaiśampāyana, but he is eager to hear more—or rather, a concise version of its Dharmic teachings.

It is tempting to emend pāda c to contain a stem form proper noun (janamejaya) in order to maintain the metre, and note how the manuscripts struggle with this pāda. Stem form nouns, prātipadikas, abound in the VSS: see p. 38. On the other hand, the contracted/syncopated form janmejaya occurs, e.g., in Bhāgavatapurāṇa 12.06.16, Brahmavaivartapurāṇa 4.14.41 and 46, and Nepālamāhātmya 1.2. (It is even lexicalised in Monier-Williams' Sanskrit-English Dict.) The hypermetrical form janamejayena, and the construction finite verb + instrumental (papraccha...janamejayena), could be original (see p. 35); compare 1.8 and 4.75 below. Alternatively, 1.3cd could be taken as a separate, and elliptical, sentence standing for janamejayena yac chrutaṃ pūrvaṃ tac chṛṇu.

1.4 Note *dharma* as a neuter noun in *pāda* c and in the next verse.

^{1.3} My emendation from the unmetrical punah to the unusual—or rather, Middle Indic (Edgerton 1953, vol. 2, p. 347), and Newar (Jørgensen 1941, 113)—puna is based on the assumption that in the original the metre must have overridden morphology, similarly to what may have happened in 8.44d (Mālinī metre): na bhavati punajanma kalpakoṭyāyute 'pi, and in 12.151c (Sragdharā metre): garbhāvāsam na ca tvan na ca punamaranam kleśam āyāsapūrnam.

that is, the Dharma that emerged from [Vyāsa] Dvaipāyana's mouth, O best of Brahmins. Teach [it] to me and help me find satisfaction at all cost, O great ascetic!

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vaiśampāyana uvāca |
śṛṇu rājann avahito dharmākhyānam anuttamam |
vyāsānugrahasamprāptaṃ guhyadharmaṃ śṛṇotu me || 1:6 ||
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Vaiśampāyana spoke: Listen with great attention, O king, to this unsurpassed narration of Dharma. Hear the secret Dharma that I received through the grace of Vyāsa.

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anarthayajñakartāraṃ tapovrataparāyaṇam |
śīlaśaucasamācāraṃ sarvabhūtadayāparam || 1:7 ||
jijñāsanārthaṃ praśnaikaṃ viṣṇunā prabhaviṣṇunā |
dvijarūpadharo bhūtvā papraccha vinayānvitaḥ || 1:8 ||
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Viṣṇu, the great Lord, assuming the form of a twice-born [Brahmin], wanted to test [Anarthayajña, the ascetic yogin] who practised nonmaterial sacrifices (anarthayajña), focused on his austerities and observances, whose conduct was virtuous and pure, and who was intent on compassion towards all living beings; therefore he [Viṣṇu] humbly asked him a question.

^{1.5} The majority of the MSS consulted include a $v\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ b. Although C_{45} 's reading seems somewhat smoother, that manuscript rarely preserves superior readings. I have therefore adopted *dharmaṃ* $v\bar{a}$ yad, in which $v\bar{a}$ probably functions in a weak sense ('that is'). That the secret Dharma Janamejaya is seeking is the one taught by Vyāsa Dvaipāyana—and thus no real options are involved here—becomes clear in 1.6cd. The reading of M in $p\bar{a}da$ b ($dharmav\bar{a}kya\bar{m}$) is tempting but could be a later correction. In general, M's readings here are unique but probably secondary: hi me trptim in $p\bar{a}da$ c seems more attractive than M's $pras\bar{a}dena$, because it echoes atrptah in 1.3a

^{1.7} On Anarthayajña, the interlocutor of VSS 1.9–10.2 and 19.1–21.22, and an important figure discussed in 22.3ff, as well as a concept ('nonmaterial sacrifice'), see Kiss 2021 and Introduction p. 11.

^{1.8} Note the syntax here involving the agent in the instrumental with a finite verb (ergative structure): *viṣṇunā... dvijarūpadharo bhūtvā papraccha*. Compare 1.3 and see p. 35.

[*brahmavidyā* — Knowledge of Brahman]

[vigatarāga uvāca |] brahmavidyā kathaṃ jñeyā rūpavarṇavivarjitā | svaravyañjananirmuktam akṣaraṃ kimu tat param || 1:9 ||

[Vigatarāga spoke:] How is the knowledge of the Brahman to be understood if it is devoid of form and colour? Why is that supreme syllable which is devoid of vowels and consonants the supreme one?

anarthayajña uvāca | anuccāryam asandigdham avicchinnam anākulam | nirmalam sarvagam sūkṣmam akṣaraṃ kim ataḥ param || 1:10 ||

Anarthayajña replied: That syllable is not to be pronounced, is unquestionable, non-dividable, consistent, spotless, all-pervading and subtle: what could be higher than that?

[kālapāśaḥ — Noose of death and time]

vigatarāga uvāca | dehī dehe kṣayaṃ yāte bhūjalāgniśivādibhiḥ | yamadūtaiḥ kathaṃ nīto nirālambo nirañjanaḥ || 1:11 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: When the body disintegrates in the ground, in water, in fire, or [is torn apart] by jackals and other [animals], how is the supportless and spotless soul led [to the netherworld] by Yama's messengers?

^{1.9} The translation of this verse, and the reconstruction and interpretation of $p\bar{a}da$ d, which is echoed in 1.10d, is slightly tentative. I doubt if kimu could have the standard (Vedic) meaning 'how much more/less' here. Rather u is probably just an expletive. In general it seems that this verse references the syllable om, which is the impersonal Brahman.

^{1.10} In pāda d, I have chosen, somewhat randomly, kim ataḥ instead of kimu tat, trying to make sense of 10.9–10.

^{1.11} The word " $siv\bar{a}$ " in $p\bar{a}da$ b is slightly suspect, and could be the result of metathesis, from " $vis\bar{a}$ " ('by poison'). Nevertheless, jackals seems appropriate in this context, for they are commonly associated with human corpses, death and the cremation ground (see, e.g., Ohnuma 2019). Furthermore, $p\bar{a}da$ b lists phenomena that cause the body to disintegrate, and not causes of death; thus the reading siva is probably correct.

kālapāśaiḥ kathaṃ baddho nirdehaś ca kathaṃ vrajet | svargaṃ vā sa kathaṃ yāti nirdeho bahudharmakṛt | etan me saṃśayaṃ brūhi jñātum icchāmi tattvataḥ || 1:12 ||

How is it bound by the nooses of death [/ time] (kālapāśa)? And if it is bodiless, how can it move? And how does the [soul of a] virtuous [person] (bahudharmakṛt) reach heaven if it has no body? These are my doubts. Teach me. I want to know the truth.

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anarthayajña uvāca |
atisaṃśayakaṣṭaṃ te pṛṣṭo 'haṃ dvijasattama |
durvijñeyaṃ manuṣyais tu devadānavapannagaiḥ || 1:13 ||
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Anarthayajña spoke: You are asking me about an extremely doubtful and problematic matter, O truest of the twice-born. [This is a matter that] is difficult to understand by humans, and [even] by gods (*deva*), demons (*dānava*) and serpents (*pannaga*).

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karmahetu śarīrasya utpatti nidhanam ca yat |
sukṛtam duṣkṛtam caiva pāśadvayam udāhṛtam || 1:14 ||
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The cause of both the birth and death of the body is karma. Good and bad deeds are called the two nooses.

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tenaiva saha saṃyāti narakaṃ svargam eva vā |
sukhaduḥkhaṃ śarīreṇa bhoktavyaṃ karmasambhavam || 1:15 ||
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[The soul] goes to hell or heaven [bound and led] by the same [nooses of Yama's messengers, or the karmas]. Happiness and suffering, both arising from karma, are to be experienced by the body.

^{1.12} The word $k\bar{a}la$ has, as usual, a double meaning here: $k\bar{a}lap\bar{a}sa$ is both Yama's noose, and also the limitations and bondage caused by time, as becomes clear at the discussion on the different time units in verses 1.18–30. samsaya seems to be treated as neuter in $p\bar{a}da$ e.

^{1.13} Note *te* used for *tvayā* in *pāda* a. Alternatively, taking *te* as genitive, the line could be translated as: 'I am being asked about a great problem of yours that originates in doubts...'

^{1.14} The MSS give karmahetu in $p\bar{a}da$ a overwhelmingly, which could work as a neuter $bahuvr\bar{\iota}hi$ compound picking up both a stem-form utpatti and nidhanam. karmahetuh (C₄₅) is grammatically more correct, picking up the feminine utpatti, but a neuter stem-form utpatti is unsurprising in this text.

hetunānena viprendra dehaḥ sambhavate nṛṇām | yaṃ kālapāśam ity āhuḥ śṛṇu vakṣyāmi suvrata || 1:16 ||

It is for this reason, O great Brahmin, that the human body is born. Now learn about that which they call the noose of time (*kālapāśa*), I shall teach you, O you of great observances.

na tvayā viditaṃ kiñcij jijñāsyasi kathaṃ dvija | kālapāśaṃ ca viprendra sakalaṃ vettum arhasi || 1:17 ||

[If] you do not know anything, how could you start your investigation, O twice-born? O great Brahmin, you should know the noose of time (*kālapāśa*) in its entirety.

kalākalitakālam ca kālatattvakalām śṛṇu | truṭidvayam nimeṣas tu nimeṣadvigunā kalā || 1:18 ||

Learn about time $(k\bar{a}la)$ which is divided into digits $(kal\bar{a})$, [i.e., about] the division[s] $(kal\bar{a})$ of the entity [called] time $(k\bar{a}latattva)$. Two atomic units of time (truti) are one twinkling (nimesa). One digit $(kal\bar{a}, cca. 1.6 second)$ is twice a twinkling.

kalādviguņitā kāṣṭhā kāṣṭhā vai triṃśatiḥ kalā | triṃśatkalā muhūrtaś ca mānuṣena dvijottama || 1:19 ||

Two digits $(kal\bar{a})$ form one bit $(k\bar{a}sth\bar{a}, 3.2 \text{ seconds})$. Thirty bits $(k\bar{a}sth\bar{a})$ make one digit $(kal\bar{a}?, 1.6 \text{ minutes})$. Thirty digits $(kal\bar{a})$ make up one section $(muh\bar{u}rta, 48 \text{ minutes})$ in human terms, O great Brahmin.

^{1.17} The variant $jij\tilde{n}\tilde{a}syasi$ seems to be the lectio difficilior as opposed to $vij\tilde{n}\tilde{a}syasi$, but the latter could also work fine here. Note how M (agreeing with two paper MSS, K_{41} and K_{107} , as well as E) gives a reading ($vaktum\ arhasi$) that is clearly out of context. This confirms that while M keeps coming up with interesting readings, they are mostly to be ignored.

^{1.18} Pādas 18d and 19a are problematic in the light of 19b, which redefines kalā in harmony with the traditional interpretation, see, e.g., Arthaśāstra 2.20.33: trimśatkāṣṭhāḥ kalāḥ. On divisions of time, see also, e.g., Manu 1.64ff, and also Hayashi 2017. I have calculated 1.6 second for one kalā backwards, starting from one day (see 1.20ab).

^{1.19} Understand mānusena as mānusasamkhyayā (1.21d).

muhūrtatriṃśakenaiva ahorātraṃ vidur budhāḥ | ahorātraṃ punas triṃśan māsam āhur manīṣiṇaḥ || 1:20 ||

Thirty sections (*muhūrta*) are known to the wise as one night and day [i.e., a full day]. Thirty days and nights are taught by the wise to be one month.

samā dvādaśa māsāś ca kālatattvavido janāḥ | śataṃ varṣasahasrāṇi trīṇi mānuṣasaṃkhyayā | ṣaṣṭiṃ caiva sahasrāṇi kālaḥ kaliyugaḥ smṛtaḥ || 1:21 ||

One year is twelve months [according to] people who know the entity of time. The time span of three hundred and sixty thousand years by human counting is said to be the Kali age (*kaliyuga*).

dviguṇaḥ kalisaṃkhyāto dvāparo yuga saṃjñitaḥ | tretā tu triguṇā jñeyā catuḥ kṛṭayugaḥ smṛtaḥ || 1:22 ||

The Dvāpara age is known to be twice as long as the Kali age. The Tretā age is thrice [as long], the Kṛta age four [times as long as the Kali age].

eṣā caturyugāsaṃkhyā kṛtvā vai hy ekasaptatiḥ | manvantarasya caikasya jñānam uktaṃ samāsataḥ || 1:23 ||

This is the figure related to the four ages (yuga). Multiplying it by seventy-one, the knowledge about one time-span of a Manu (manvantara) has been briefly taught.

^{1.21} Note how a verb (e.g., iti vadanti, iti prāhur) is missing in pādas ab.

^{1.22} Note the stem form noun *yuga* in *pāda* b metri causa, or rather the compound *dvāparo-yuga-samjñitaḥ* (the end of *dvāparo* lengthened to avoid the metrical fault of two *laghus*), and also M's unique but confused readings.

^{1.23} Note the lengthened vowel in °yugā (metri causa).

The 'figure' mentioned in this verse is the sum of the duration of the four *yugas*, which makes up one *mahāyuga*: Kaliyuga = 360,000 years, Dvāparayuga = 720,000 years, Tretāyuga = 1,080,000 years, Kṛtayuga = 1,440,000 years; altogether 3,600,000 years. 71 *mahāyugas* make up a *manvantara* (= 255,600,000 years; cf. *Manu* 1.79). One *kalpa* is 14 *manvantaras* (= 3,578,400,000 years). Ten thousand *kalpas* are one day of Brahmā, and his night is of the same length, which would make one full day of Brahmā 71,568,000,000,000 human years. See next verses and, e.g., González-Reimann 2016. See VSS 21.34ff on *kalpa* etc.

kalpo manvantarāṇāṃ tu caturdaśa tu saṃkhyayā | daśa kalpasahasrāṇi brahmāhaḥ parikalpitam | rātrir etāvatī proktā munibhis tattvadarśibhiḥ || 1:24 ||

One æon (*kalpa*) is fourteen *manvantaras* in total. Brahmā's day (*brahmāhar*) is made up of ten thousand æons (*kalpa*). [Brahmā's] night is of the same duration according to the wise who know the truth.

rātryāgame pralīyante jagat sarvaṃ carācaram | ahāgame tathaiveha utpadyante carācaram || 1:25 ||

When [Brahmā's] night falls, the whole moving and unmoving universe dissolves. And when [his] daylight arrives, similarly, the moving and unmoving [universe] is born here.

parārdhaparakalpāni atītāni dvijottama | anāgatam tathaivāhur bhṛgurādimaharṣayaḥ || 1:26 ||

One *para* times *parārdha* [number of, i.e., two hundred quadrillion times a hundred quadrillion] æons (*kalpa*) have passed [thus far], O great Brahmin. Bhṛgu and the other sages say that the future is the same [time span].

yathārkagrahatārendu bhramato dṛśyate tv iha | kālacakraṃ bhramitvaiva viśramaṃ na ca vidmahe || 1:27 ||

Just as the sun, the planets, the stars, and the moon are seen in this world to move in circles, so we, wandering on while riding the wheel of time (*kālacakra*), can never find rest.

^{1.24} The accepted reading *kalpo* in $p\bar{a}da$ a is probably not original, but it makes the sentence clearer than what is transmitted in most sources. M has a separator sign (|o|) at the end of $p\bar{a}da$ b, as if a section ended here.

^{1.25} The plural form *pralīyante* in *pāda* a is metri causa for *pralīyate*, perhaps also influencing *utpadyante* (for *utpadyate*) in *pāda* d, which in turn is used here to avoid an iambic pattern (- - - - - - -). Note a general lack of a sense of grammatical number (see p. 31).

^{1.26} On the definition of the numbers *para* and *parārdha*, see verses 1.31–35. Note the peculiar compound *bhṛgu-r-ādi-maharṣayaḥ*, for *bhṛgvādimaharṣayaḥ*.

^{1.27} *bhramato* in *pāda* b seems to stand for the neuter participle *bhramat*. Alternatively, *bhramato* might mean 'erroneously' (*bhrama-tas*, abl.), but this would make the verse difficult to interpret. I have corrected *bhramatvaiva* to the standard form *bhramitvaiva*, although the former might conceal a finite verb (*bhramāmaḥ*?).

kālaḥ srjati bhūtāni kālaḥ saṃharate punaḥ | kālasya vaśagāḥ sarve na kālavaśakṛt kvacit || 1:28 ||

Time creates living beings and time destroys them again. Everything is under the control of time. There is nothing that can bring time under control.

caturdaśa parārdhāni devarājā dvijottama | kālena samatītāni kālo hi duratikramaḥ || 1:29 ||

Fourteen *parārdha* [fourteen hundred quadrillion] divine kings, O Brahmin, have passed with time, for time is difficult to overcome.

eṣa kālo mahāyogī brahmā viṣṇuḥ paraḥ śivaḥ | anādinidhano dhātā sa mahātmā namaskuru || 1:30 ||

Time is [manifest] as a great yogin, as Brahmā, Viṣṇu and supreme Śiva, is beginningless and endless, is the Creator and the great soul. Pay homage [to Time].

[parārdhādi — Parārdha etc.: numbers]

vigatarāga uvāca | śrutaṃ vai kālacakraṃ tu mukhapadmaviniḥṣṛtam | parārdhaṃ ca paraṃ caiva śrotuṃ vaḥ pratidīpitam || 1:31 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: I have now heard about the 'wheel of time' (*kāla-cakra*) from [your] lotus mouth. [I wish] to hear about [the terms] *parārdha* and *para* [mentioned above], as elaborated by you.

^{1.29} Note that samatītāni (neuter) most probably picks up devarājāḥ (masculine) in this verse, or rather devarājā stands for devarājānāṃ and samatītāni picks up °parārdhāni. It is not clear to me what devarāja ('god king' or 'divine king') means exactly—perhaps Indra?

^{1.31} I have corrected the unmetrical *vinisṛtam* in *pāda* b to *vinihṣṛtam*. The reading of all manuscripts consulted, *viniṣṛtam*, may be considered metrical if we interpret it, loosely, as *viniṣṛtam*. Also, we might read *tvanmukhapadma*° ('your lotus mouth') over the *pāda*-boundary. See, e.g., *Śivapurāṇa* 2.3.27.6ab: *taj jñātvā nikhilam devi śrutvā tvanmukhapaṃkajāt. Pāda* d is suspect and my translation tentative. M's reading in *pāda* d (*śrotum naḥ pratidīyatāṃ*) might make sense ('give it back/repeat it for us to hear'), but it sounds forced, as if the scribe tried to come up with a reading that he understood better than *śrotuṃ vaḥ pratidīpitam*, the reading of the majority of the witnesses, which is in fact not easy to interpret. One would expect a phrase meaning 'please tell me about these.' Finally, I have decided to take *vaḥ* as instrumental ('by you'). Still, a verb is missing.

anarthayajña uvāca | ekaṃ daśaṃ śataṃ caiva sahasram ayutaṃ tathā | prayutaṃ niyutaṃ koṭim arbudaṃ vṛndam eva ca || 1:32 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: One, ten, a hundred, a thousand, ten thousand (*ayuta*), a hundred thousand (*prayuta*), a million (*niyuta*), ten million (*koṭi*), a hundred million (*arbuda*), one billion (*vṛnda*, 10°),

kharvaṃ caiva nikharvaṃ ca śaṅku padmaṃ tathaiva ca | samudro madhyam antaṃ ca parārdhaṃ ca paraṃ tathā || 1:33 ||

ten billion (*kharva*), a hundred billion (*nikharva*), one trillion (*śańku*, 10^{12}), ten trillion (*padma*), a hundred trillion (*samudra*), one quadrillion (*madhya*, 10^{15}), ten quadrillion ([*an*] *anta*), a hundred quadrillion (*parārdha*), and two hundred quadrillion (*para*).

sarve daśaguṇā jñeyāḥ parārdhaṃ yāvad eva hi | parārdhadviguṇenaiva parasaṃkhyā vidhīyate || 1:34 ||

Each should be understood as a power of ten up to *parārdha*. The number corresponding to *para* is twice that of *parārdha*.

parāt parataram nāsti iti me niścitā matiḥ | purāṇavedapaṭhitā mayākhyātā dvijottama || 1:35 ||

There is no higher number than *para*. This is my firm conviction, which is based on my readings of the Purāṇas and the Vedas and [which I have now] taught [to you], O great Brahmin.

[brahmāṇḍam — Brahmā's Egg: the Universe]

vigatarāga uvāca | brahmāṇḍaṃ kati vijñeyaṃ pramāṇaṃ jñāpitaṃ kvacit | kati cāṅguli-m-ūrdhveṣu sūryas tapati vai mahīm || 1:36 ||

^{1.32} Although the form *daśa* is more standard than the accepted *daśam*, the latter can be original. See a similar teaching of numbers in *Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa* 3.2.91ff.

^{1.33} Note that K_{41} inserts a line here. See apparatus. For *anta* meaning *ananta*, see 1.57. M's reading in $p\bar{a}da$ d may be a result of an eyeskip to 1.34c.

^{1.35} Note that E inserts the line here that K_{41} inserted above. See apparatus.

Vigatarāga spoke: What is the extent of Brahmā's Egg (*brahmāṇḍa*) [i.e., the universe]? Is it disclosed anywhere? From how many finger's breadths high does the sun heat the earth?

anarthayajña uvāca | brahmāṇḍānāṃ prasaṃkhyātuṃ mayā śakyaṃ kathaṃ dvija | devās te 'pi na jānanti mānuṣāṇāṃ ca kā kathā || 1:37 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: How could I enumerate [all the details of] Brahmā's Egg, O twice-born? Even the gods do not know, not to mention humans.

paryāyeṇa tu vakṣyāmi yathāśakyaṃ dvijottama | brahmaṇā yat purākhyāto mātariśvā yathā tathā || 1:38 ||

I shall teach [you], as far as I can, in due order and truthfully, that, O great Brahmin, which Mātariśvan was taught by Brahmā in the past.

śivāṇḍābhyantareṇaiva sarveṣām iva bhūbhṛtām | daśa nāma diśāṣṭānāṃ brahmāṇḍe kīrtitaṃ śṛṇu || 1:39 ||

^{1.36} The use of the singular next to numerals is one of the hallmarks of the VSS (see p. 33). This means that pāda a may well refer to multiple brahmāṇḍas. Nevertheless, in the light of VSS 2.2d (pramāṇam tasya vā kati), I suspect that the first question here could be rendered in slightly more standard Sanskrit as brahmāṇḍasya pramāṇam kati yojanāni vijñeyam. cāpitam kvacit in pāda b in the witnesses is enigmatic. One may conjecture prāpitam (perhaps: 'is it available somewhere?'). The intended form may have been jñātam kenacit ('is it known by anyone?'), or jñāpitam ('is it disclosed somewhere?'). I have chosen the latter, to which 1.37 below could be a reply. Of course, cāpitam could be analysed as cāpi tam (possibly for cāpi tat), but that would help little, unless we imagine that the question is 'and where is it?' (cāpi tat kva).

My emendation of $c\bar{a}nguli-m\bar{u}rdheşu$ to $c\bar{a}nguli-m-\bar{u}rdhveşu$ (with a hiatus-filler) is based on $\bar{u}rdhvatas$ in 1.60d, which is part of the reply to the question posed in this line. In turn, anguli here triggered a conjecture in 1.60c.

^{1.37} One would expect *brahmāṇḍāni* in *pāda* a instead of *brahmāṇḍānāṃ*, but we should probably understand *brahmāṇḍānāṃ viśeṣān prasaṃkhyātuṃ...*, or rather, *brahmāṇḍasya viśeṣān prasaṃkhyātuṃ*. The structure noun in genitive + verb meaning 'to tell' occurs also, e.g., in 4.69a. See more on this phenomenon on p. 37.

^{1.38} The claim that Brahmā taught Mātariśvan is confirmed in 1.62cd, and also, e.g., in *Brahmānḍapurāṇa* 3.4.58cd (see the apparatus).

The ten names of all the [cosmic] rulers in each of the eight directions in Brahmā's Egg (*brahmāṇḍa*), [which is] inside Śiva's Egg (śivāṇḍa), are being taught now, listen.

[bhūbhṛtāṃ nāmāni — Names of the cosmic rulers] [pūrvataḥ — East]

sahāsahaḥ sahaḥ sahyo visahaḥ saṃhato 'sabhā | prasaho 'prasahaḥ sānuḥ pūrvato daśa nāyakāḥ || 1:40 ||

[1] Sahā, [2] Asaha, [3] Saha, [4] Sahya, [5] Visaha, [6] Saṃhata, [7] Asabhā, [8] Prasaha, [9] Aprasaha, [10] Sānu: [these are] the ten Leaders in the East.

[āgneye — South-East]

prabhāso bhāsano bhānuḥ pradyoto dyutimo dyutiḥ | dīptatejāś ca tejāś ca tejā tejavaho daśa | āgneye tv etad ākhyātaṃ yāmye śṛṇv atha bho dvija || 1:41 ||

[1] Prabhāsa, [2] Bhāsana, [3] Bhānu, [4] Pradyota, [5] Dyutima, [6] Dyuti, [7] Dīptatejas, [8] Tejas, [9] Tejā, [10] Tejavaha: [these are] the ten [rulers] in the direction of Agni [SE]. Now listen to [the names for] Yama's region, O twice-born.

^{1.39} My conjecture in *pāda* b (*bhūbhṛtām*) is based on the fact that the readings transmitted in the MSS seem unintelligible, and, more importantly, that these names are said, in the subsequent verses, to belong to *nāyakas* ('chiefs, lords'), a possible synonym of *bhūbhṛt* ('a king'). Also, it is a minute intervention.

In pāda c, understand diśāṣṭānām as diśām aṣṭānām or digaṣṭakānām: again, the use of the singular in the proximity of numbers is normal in the VSS (daśa nāma).

^{1.40} Note that many of the names here and in the following verses are, in the absence of any close parallel passage, rather insecure. In order to avoid the repetition of the name Saha, I take the first name here as feminine; Asabhā seems also to be a feminine ruler's name. Later on there seem to come more feminine names (Tejā, Yamunā, Naganā, etc.), therefore it might be correct to interpret some of the names as names of queens. What is clear here is that the list evokes the name Sahasrākṣa, one of the appellations of Indra, the guardian of the eastern direction.

^{1.41} Here, in the region of Agni, the names evidently evoke the image of flames.

[yāmye — South]

yamo 'tha yamunā yāmaḥ saṃyamo yamuno 'yamaḥ | saṃyano yamanoyāno yaniyugmā yanoyanaḥ || 1:42 ||

[1] Yama, [2] Yamunā, [3] Yāma, [4] Saṃyama, [5] Yamuna, [6] Ayama, [7] Saṃyana, [8] Yamanoyāna, [9] Yaniyugmā, [10] Yanoyana.

[nairṛte — South-West]

nagajo naganā nando nagaro naga nandanaḥ | nagarbho gahano guhyo gūḍhajo daśa tatparaḥ || 1:43 ||

[1] Nagaja, [2] Naganā, [3] Nanda, [4] Nagara, [5] Naga, [6] Nandana, [7] Nagarbha, [8] Gahana, [9] Guhya, [10] Gūḍhaja: [these are] the ten associated with [the South-West].

[vāruņe — West]

vāruṇena pravakṣyāmi śṛṇu vipra nibodha me | babhraḥ setur bhavodbhadraḥ prabhavodbhavabhājanaḥ | bharaṇo bhuvano bhartā daśaite varuṇālayāḥ || 1:44 ||

I shall teach you [the names] in Varuṇa's region [in the west]. Listen, O Brahmin, learn from me. [1] Babhra, [2] Setu, [3] Bhava, [4] Udbhadra, [5] Prabhava, [6] Udbhava, [7] Bhājana, [8] Bharaṇa, [9] Bhuvana, and [10] Bhartṛ: these ten dwell in Varuṇa's region [in the west].

^{1.42} I have chosen the variant samyano in $p\bar{a}da$ c only to avoid the repetition of the name samyama, and the variant yanoyanah in $p\bar{a}da$ d because I suspect that most of the names here should begin with ya, except for ayamah in $p\bar{a}da$ b, which is little more than a guess in order to avoid the repetition of yamah. All the name forms in this verse are to be taken as tentative. The only guiding light is the presence of ya, reinforcing a connection with Yama.

 $^{1.43\,}naga$ in $p\bar{a}da$ b is a stem form noun metri causa. tatparah in $p\bar{a}da$ d is be another example of a singular form next to a number (see 1.39c above). Note that the reconstruction of these names is tentative. What is clear here is that the initials should be na and ga, probably suggesting a connection with nirrti, narakas, and $n\bar{a}gas$.

^{1.44} Varuṇa upholds (*bibharti/bharati*) the sky and the earth. This could be the reason why these names include *bharaṇa* and *bhartṛ*.

[vāyavye — North-West]

nrgarbho 'suragarbhaś ca devagarbho mahīdharaḥ | vṛṣabho vṛṣagarbhaś ca vṛṣānko vṛṣabhadhvajaḥ || 1:45 ||

- [1] Nṛgarbha, [2] Asuragarbha, [3] Devagarbha, [4] Mahīdhara,
- [5] Vṛṣabha, [6] Vṛṣagarbha, [7] Vṛṣāṅka, [8] Vṛṣabhadhvaja,

jñātavyaś ca tathā samyag vṛṣajo vṛṣanandanaḥ | nāyakā daśa vāyavye kīrtitā ye mayā dvija || 1:46 ||

[9] Vṛṣaja, and [10] Vṛṣanandana: these are to be known properly as the ten leaders in Vāyu's region [in the north-west], as I taught them, O twice-born.

[uttare — North]

sulabhaḥ sumanaḥ saumyaḥ suprajaḥ sutanuḥ śivaḥ | sataḥ satya layaḥ śambhur daśa nāyakam uttare || 1:47 ||

[1] Sulabha, [2] Sumana, [3] Saumya, [4] Supraja, [5] Sutanu, [6] Śiva, [7] Sata, [8] Satya, [9] Laya, [10] Śambhu: [these are] the ten leaders in the north.

[*īśāne* — North-East]

indu bindu bhuvo vajra varado vara varṣaṇaḥ | ilano valino brahmā daśeśāneṣu nāyakāḥ || 1:48 ||

^{1.45} The connection between *vṛṣa* and the north-west or Vāyu is not evident to me. In a tantric context, a western position is more standard for *vṛṣa*, see, e.g., Goodall et al. 2005, 40.

^{1.46} Note how M deviates here again in a significant way.

^{1.47} I prefer the form *sumanaḥ* to the more standard *sumanāḥ* (K_7) in *pāda* a because it suits the slightly irregular language of the VSS (see pp. 30) and because the solitary reading of K_7 may well only be an attempt to standardise. It is also not inconceivable that *sumanaḥ* stands compounded with *saumyaḥ*. Note how *daśa nāyakam* (neuter singular for masculine plural) could again be an example for the use of the singular next to a number in *pāda d*. It seems that here it is the northern region that is associated with Śiva, rather than the north-east, the *īśāna* direction, which is occupied by Brahmā in the next verse. (In a tantric context, Brahmā is sometimes associated with the north-east, see, e.g., Goodall et al. 2005, 39.) I have left *satya* in stem form.

[1] Indu, [2] Bindu, [3] Bhuva, [4] Vajra, [5] Varada, [6] Vara, [7] Varṣaṇa, [8] Ilana, [9] Valina, [10] Brahmā: [these are] the ten rulers in the Īśāna direction [i.e., in the north-east].

[madhyame — Center]

aparo vimalo moho nirmalo mana mohanaḥ | akṣayaś cāvyayo viṣṇur varado madhyame daśa || 1:49 ||

[1] Apara, [2] Vimala, [3] Moha, [4] Nirmala, [5] Mana, [6] Mohana, [7] Akṣaya, [8] Avyaya, [9] Viṣṇu, [10] Varada: [these are] the ten [leaders] in the centre.

[parivārāḥ — Subordinates]

sarveṣāṃ daśa-m-īśānāṃ parivāraśataṃ śatam | śatānāṃ pṛthag ekaikaṃ sahasraiḥ parivāritam || 1:50 ||

Each of the ten rulers has a retinue of a hundred subordinates. Each one of [these] hundred is surrounded by a thousand subordinates.

sahasreṣu ca ekaikam ayutaiḥ parivāritam | ayutaṃ prayutair vṛndaiḥ prayutaṃ niyutair vṛtam || 1:51 ||

Each one of the thousand is surrounded by ten thousand [subordinates]; the ten thousand is surrounded by a multitude of a hundred thousand; the hundred thousand by a million;

^{1.48} I consider *indu*, *bindu* and *vajra* stem form nouns. The north-east seems to be occupied by Brahmā, and by rulers whose names should somehow evoke Brahmā's name.

^{1.49} Note that the last three lists above have been associated with Śiva, Brahmā and Viṣṇu, respectively, and here, in a layer of the text that can be labelled Vaiṣṇava (see pp. 11), it is Viṣṇu that seems to occupy a central position. mana mohanaḥ (or nirmalonmana) in pāda b may sound like one single name, but we are forced to separate these two words (mana being in stem form metri causa) to arrive at a list of ten names.

^{1.50} I take <code>daśa-m-īśānām</code> as a split compound (<code>daśeśānām</code>). It is conceivable that each of the above ninety rulers has ten subordinates, therefore each group of ten rulers has a hundred subordinates altogether, but the original idea may have been that each one of the above ninety rulers has a hundred subordinates. Alternatively, this verse may only refer to the central group of ten rulers mentioned in 1.49, and each one of them has a hundred subordinates.

^{1.51} We are forced to follow E's reading in $p\bar{a}da$ c in order to make sense of this passage. My correction in $p\bar{a}da$ d is motivated by the same. Note that vrnda is not a number in this line. Elsewhere in this chapter vrnda is the word that signifies 'a billion.'

ekaikasya parīvāro niyutaḥ pṛthag eva ca | koṭibhir daśakoṭyena ekaikaḥ parivāritaḥ || 1:52 ||

[that is] each one has a retinue of a million (*niyuta*) [subordinates]. [Then those] are surrounded by ten million (*koṭi*) [subordinates]; [they in turn] by a hundred million (*daśakoṭi*).

daśakotisu ekaikam vṛndavṛndabhṛtair vṛtam | vṛndavargeṣu ekaikam kharvabhiḥ parivāritam || 1:53 ||

Each one of the hundred million is surrounded by a billion (*vṛnda*) subordinates (*bhṛta*). Each one in these groups of a billion (*vṛnda*) is surrounded by ten billion (*kharva*) [subordinates].

kharvavargeşu ekaikam dasakharvaganair vṛtam | dasakharveşu ekaikam sankubhih parivāritam || 1:54 ||

Each in these groups of ten billion (*kharva*) is surrounded by a hundred billion (*daśakharva*). Each of those hundred billion is surrounded by a trillion (*śańku*) [deities].

śankubhiḥ pṛthag ekaikaṃ padmena parivāritam | padmavargeṣu ekaikaṃ samudraiḥ parivāritam || 1:55 ||

Each of those one trillion is surrounded by ten trillion (*padma*). Each of those ten trillion is surrounded by a hundred trillion (*samudra*).

samudreșu tathaikaikaṃ madhyasaṃkhyais tu tair vṛtam | madhyasaṃkhyeṣu ekaikam anantaiḥ parivāritam || 1:56 ||

And each of those hundred trillion is surrounded by those whose number is one quadrillion (*madhya*). Each of those quadrillion is surrounded by ten quadrillion (*ananta*).

ananteṣu ca ekaikaṃ parārdhaparivāritam | parārdheṣu ca ekaikaṃ pareṇa parivāritam | eṣa vai kathito vipra śakyaṃ sāṃkhyam udīritam || 1:57 ||

^{1.52} It seems that *pādas* ab repeat what has been stated in 1.51cd. °*kotyena* stands for °*kotyā* (thematisation). Note how the scribe of M gets confused at 1.52c due to an eyeskip and fully regains control only at 1.54b.

^{1.55} Note that in pāda a śankubhiḥ stands for śankūṣu (instrumental for locative).

Each of those ten quadrillion is surrounded by a hundred quadrillion (*parārdha*). Each of those hundred quadrillion is surrounded by two hundred quadrillion (*para*). Thus it is taught, O Brahmin. The enumeration [of the rulers of the Brahmāṇḍa] has been taught as much as it is possible.

[pramāṇam — Measurements]

pramāṇaṃ śṛṇu me vipra saṃkṣepād bruvato mama | candrodaye pūrnamāsyām vapur andasya tādrśam || 1:58 ||

Listen to me and learn about the measurements [of Brahmā's Egg], O Brahmin, I shall teach [you] in a concise manner. The body of the Egg is like that of [the moon] at moonrise on the day of the full moon.

koṭikoṭisahasraṃ tu yojanānāṃ samantataḥ | aṇḍānāṃ ca parīmāṇaṃ brahmaṇā parikīrtitam || 1:59 ||

The whole circumference of the Egg has been declared by Brahmā to be ten million (*koti*) times a thousand times ten million *yojanas*.

saptakoṭisahasrāṇi saptakoṭiśatāni ca | viṃśakoṭiṣv aṅgulīṣu ūrdhvatas tapate raviḥ || 1:60 ||

The Sun shines from the height of seven thousand seven hundred and twenty *koți* finger's breadth.

pramāṇaṃ nāma saṃkhyā ca kīrtitāni samāsataḥ | brahmāṇḍaṃ cāprameyāṇāṃ lakṣaṇaṃ parikīrtitam || 1:61 ||

^{1.59} I suspect that the plural form andanam is accidental and what is meant is a singular.

^{1.60} This verse is the reply to the question in 1.36cd, which contains the word anguli: this hints at the possibility that the unintelligible gulmeşu transmitted in most of the witnesses might be corrupted from angulīṣu; hence my conjecture, resulting in a ra-vipulā. For reference, the distance given here $(7,720 \text{ koṭi angulas} \approx 1-1.5 \text{ million km})$ is about a hundred times smaller than the modern astronomical distance to the Sun (\approx 150 million km).

The numbers pertaining to the measurements have been taught in brief. The characteristics of the unmeasurable Brahmāṇḍa[s] have been taught.

[purāṇam — Redactors of the Purāṇa[s]]

purāṇāśīsahasrāṇi śatāni dvijasattama | brahmaṇā kathitaṃ pūrṇaṃ mātariśvā yathātatham || 1:62 ||

O truest of the twice-born, the Purāṇa[s of] 8,000,000 [verses] were taught by [1] Brahmā to [2] Mātariśvan [= Vāyu] in their entirety, in their true form.

In pāda d, either understand mātariśvā (nom.) as mātariśvānam (acc.) or emend kathitam to kathitah in the sense 'Mātariśvan was taught,' echoing 1.38cd: brahmaṇā yat purākhyāto mātariśvā yathā tathā.

On the idea that initially there was only one Purāṇa, see, e.g., Rocher 1986, 41ff. Compare the list in the VSS to a list of twenty-eight *vedavyāsas*, from Brahmā to Vyāsa Dvaipāyana, in *Viṣṇupurāṇa* 3.3.10–19 (which is similar to *Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa* 1.35.117ff), taught by Parāśara, the twenty-sixth *vyāsa* of this list and our text (in the numbering that I add here I follow the translation in Dutt 1896, 178–179):

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vedavyāsā vyatītā ye aṣṭāviṃśati sattama |
caturdhā yaiḥ kṛto vedo dvāpareṣu punaḥ punaḥ ||
dvāpare prathame vyastāḥ svayaṃ vedāḥ [1] svayaṃbhuvā |
dvitīye dvāpare caiva vedavyāsaḥ [2] prajāpatiḥ ||
tṛtīye [3] cośanā vyāsaś caturthe ca [4] bṛhaspatiḥ |
[5] savitā pañcame vyāsaḥ [6] mṛtyuḥ ṣaṣṭhe smṛtaḥ prabhuḥ ||
saptame ca [7] tathaivendro [8] vasiṣṭhaś cāṣṭame smṛtaḥ |
[9] sārasvataś ca navame [10] tridhāmā daśame smṛtaḥ ||
ekādaśe tu [11] trivṛṣā [12] bhāradvājas tataḥ param |
trayodaśe [13] cāntarikṣo [14] varnī cāpi caturdaśe ||
[15] trayyāruṇaḥ pañcadaśe ṣoḍaśe tu [16] dhanaṃjayaḥ |
[17] kratuṃjayaḥ saptadaśe [18] ṛṇajyo ʾṣṭādaśe smṛtaḥ ||
tato vyāso [19] bharadvājo bharadvājāt tu [20] gautamaḥ |
gautamād uttamo vyāso [21] haryātmā yo ʾbhidhīyate ||
atha haryātmano [22] venaḥ smṛto vājaśravās tu yaḥ |
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^{1.61} Note the mixture of different grammatical genders and numbers in this verse. Understand *pramāņeṣu saṃkhyāḥ kīrtitāḥ samāsataḥ* and *brahmāṇḍānām aprameyānāṃ*, or *brahmāṇḍasyāprameyasya*, which is even metrical.

^{1.62} Pāda a should probably be analysed and interpreted as purāṇam brahmaṇā kathitam, or rather, purāṇānām aśītisahasrāṇi śatāni ślokāni brahmaṇā kathitāni. Alternatively, pāda a may have originally read purāṇāni sahasrāṇi, and then the initial number of verses transmitted by Brahmā is a hundred thousand. That the number refers to the number of ślokas transmitted is confirmed in 1.65d: viṃśatślokasahasrikam.

vāyunā pāda saṃkṣipya prāptaṃ cośanasaṃ purā | tenāpi pāda saṃkṣipya prāptavāṃś ca bṛhaspatiḥ || 1:63 ||

Vāyu abridged the verses and then gave [the Purāṇas] to [3] Uśanas. He [Uśanas] also abridged the verses, and [4] Bṛhaspati received them.

bṛhaspatis tu provāca sūryaṃ triṃśatsahasrikam | pañcaviṃśatsahasrāṇi mṛtyuṃ prāha divākaraḥ || 1:64 ||

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somaḥ śuṣmāyaṇas tasmāt [23] tṛṇabindur iti smṛtaḥ ||
[24] ṛkṣo 'bhūd bhārgavas tasmād vālmīkir yo 'bhidhīyate |
tasmād asmatpitā [25] śaktir vyāsas tasmād [26] ahaṃ mune ||
[27] jātukarṇo 'bhavan mattaḥ kṛṣṇadvaipāyanas [28] tataḥ |
aṣṭaviṃśatir ity ete vedavyāsāḥ purātanāḥ ||
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Another relevant passage is *Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa* 3.4.58cd–67 (≈ VāyuP 2.41.58–67). Note how Tṛṇabindu is, perhaps by mistake, different from Somaśuṣma/Śuṣmāyaṇa here, but, more importantly, note Amitabuddhi of VSS 1.75b appearing at the end of this list:

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[1] brahmā dadau śāstram idam purāņam [2] mātariśvane ||
tasmāc [3] cośanasā prāptam tasmāc cāpi [4] brhaspatib |
bṛhaspatis tu provāca [5] savitre tadanantaram ||
savitā [6] mṛtyave prāha mṛtyuś [7] cendrāya vai punah |
indraś cāpi [8] vasistāya so 'pi [9] sārasvatāya ca ||
sārasvatas [10] tridhāmne 'tha tridhāmā ca [11] saradvate |
śaradvāms tu [12] trivistāya so [13] 'ntarikṣāya dattavān ||
[14] carșine cāntarikșo vai so 'pi [15] trayyāruņāya ca |
trayyāruṇād [16] dhanañjayaḥ sa vai prādāt [17] kṛtañjaye ||
kṛtañjayāt [18] tṛṇañjayo [19] bharadvājāya so 'py atha |
[20] gautamāya bharadvājaḥ so 'pi [21] niryyantare punaḥ ||
niryyantaras tu provāca tathā [22] vājaśravāya vai |
sa dadau [23] somaśuṣmāya sa cādāt [24] tṛṇabindave ||
tṛṇabindus tu [25] dakṣāya dakṣaḥ provāca [26] śaktaye |
śakteḥ [27] parāśaraś cāpi garbhasthaḥ śrutavān idam ||
parāśarāj [28] jātukarnyas tasmād [29] dvaipāyanah prabhuh |
dvaipāyanāt punaś cāpi [30] mayā prāptam dvijottama ||
mayā caitat punaḥ proktaṃ [31] putrāyāmitabuddhaye |
ity eva vākyam brahmādigurunām samudāhrtam ||
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The list of *vedavyāsas* in *Lingapurāṇa* 1.7.15–18 includes these twenty-five names: Kratu, Satya, Bhārgava, Angiras, Savitṛ, Mṛtyu, Śatakratu, Vasiṣṭha, Sārasvata, Tridhāman, Trivṛta, Śatatejas, Tarakṣu, Āruṇi, Kṛtaṃjaya, Rṭaṃjayo, Bharadvāja, Gautama, Vācaśravas, Tṛṇabindu, Rūkṣa, Śakti, Jātūkarnya, Kṛṣṇa Dvaipāyana.

1.63 Note the stem form noun *pāda* twice in this verse and the slightly odd grammatical structure in *pāda* b, (*purāṇam*) *prāptam uśanasam* ('the Purāṇa reached Uśanas'), as opposed to the solution in *pāda* d with *prāptavān*.

Bṛhaspati taught 30,000 [verses] to [5] Sūrya [the Sun]. Divākara [= the Sun] taught 25,000 [verses] to [6] Mṛṭyu [Death].

ekaviṃśatsahasrāṇi mṛtyunendrāya kīrtitam | indreṇāha vasiṣṭhāya viṃśatślokasahasrikam || 1:65 ||

Mṛtyu taught 21,000 [verses] to [7] Indra. Indra taught 20,000 verses to [8] Vasiṣṭha.

aṣṭādaśasahasrāṇi tena sārasvatāya tu | sārasvatas tridhāmāya sahasradaśa sapta ca || 1:66 ||

He[, Vasiṣṭha, taught] 18,000 [verses] to [9] Sārasvata. Sārasvata [taught] 17,000 [verses] to [10] Tridhāma[n].

ṣoḍaśānāṃ sahasrāṇi bharadvājāya vai tataḥ | daśa pañcasahasrāṇi trivṛṣāya abhāṣata || 1:67 ||

[Tridhāman taught] 16,000 verses to [11] Bharadvāja. [Bharadvāja] taught 15,000 verses to [12] Trivṛṣa.

caturdaśasahasrāṇi antarīkṣāya vai tataḥ | trayyāruṇiṃ sahasrāṇi trayodaśa abhāṣata || 1:68 ||

[Trivṛṣa] then [taught] 14,000 verses to [13] Antarīkṣa. [Antarīkṣa] taught 13,000 [verses] to [14] Trayyāruṇi.

trayyāruṇis tu viprendro dhanaṃjayam abhāṣata | dvādaśāni sahasrāṇi saṃkṣipya punar abravīt || 1:69 ||

Trayyāruṇi, the great Brahmin, having abridged them again, taught 12,000 [verses] to [15] Dhanamjaya.

kṛtaṃjayāya samprāpto dhanaṃjayamahāmuniḥ | kṛtaṃjayād dvijaśreṣṭha ṛṇaṃjayamahātmane || 1:70 ||

Dhanamjaya, the great sage, handed [them] over to [16] Kṛtaṃjaya. [That recension was transmitted] from Kṛtaṃjaya, O best of the twice-born, to [17] noble Ḥṇaṃjaya.

^{1.64} Pāda a is a ma-vipulā, or simply a pathyā if pra in provāca does not turn the previous syllable long (krama licence).

^{1.70} Note the odd structure in pādas ab: dhanamjayaḥ kṛtamjayāya samprāptaḥ, for a more standard dhanamjayena (purāṇam) samprāpitam kṛtamjayam ('the Purāṇa was transmitted to Kṛtamjaya').

ṛṇañjayāt punaḥ prāpto gautamāya maharṣiṇe | gautamāc ca bharadvājas tasmād dharyadvatāya tu || 1:71 ||

Then from Rṇamjaya it was given to [18] Gautama, the great sage; from Gautama to [19] Bharadvāja, from him to [20] Haryadvata.

rājaśravās tataḥ prāptaḥ somaśuṣmāya vai tataḥ | somaśuṣmāt tataḥ prāptas tṛṇabindus tu bho dvija || 1:72 ||

Then [21] Rājaśravas received it; and then [22] Somaśuṣma; then from Somaśuṣma [23] Tṛṇabindu received it, O twice-born.

tṛṇabindus tu vṛkṣāya vṛkṣaḥ śaktim abhāṣata | śaktiḥ parāśaram prāha jatukarṇāya vai tataḥ || 1:73 ||

Tṛṇabindu taught it to [24] Vṛkṣa; Vṛkṣa to [25] Śakti [the father of Parāśara]. Śakti taught it to [26] Parāśara; then [Parāśara] to [27] Jatukarṇa.

dvaipāyanaṃ tu provāca jatukarņo maharṣiṇam | romaharṣāya samprāpto dvaipāyanamahāmuniḥ || 1:74 ||

Jatukarna taught it to [28] [Vyāsa] Dvaipāyana, the great sage. Dvaipāyana, the great sage, gave it to [29] Romaharṣa.

romaharṣeṇa provāca putrāyāmitabuddhaye | daśa dve ca sahasrāṇi purāṇaṃ samprakāśitam | mānuṣāṇāṃ hitārthāya kiṃ bhūyaḥ śrotum icchasi || 1:75 ||

^{1.71} The structure of *pādas* ab is as odd as that of 1.70ab. What was intended is probably *ṛṇañjayena prāpitaṃ gautamāya*. Many of the syntactic oddities in this and other chapters might betray an influence of classical Newar. See pp. 30. The name Haryadvata in *pāda* d seem to be a variant on the attested forms Haryatvata and Haryātman (the latter is in the list of *vedavyāsas* in ViṣṇuP 3.3.16–17, see note to 1.62 above).

^{1.72} The syntax is again slightly odd here. The intention may have been prāpitam rājaśravasā somaśuṣmāya... tatas tṛṇabindunā prāptam.

^{1.73} In other list of vedavyāsas, Tṛṇabindu hands the Purāṇas down to Rkṣa, Rūkṣa or Dakṣa (see note to 1.62 above); vṛkṣa in pāda a is probably a corrupted form. The name Jatukarṇa may be a corrupted form of Jātū- or Jātukarṇa.

^{1.74} *Pādas* ab are a *pathyā* if *pra* in *provāca* does not turn the previous syllable long (*krama* licence). The syntax of *pādas* cd echoes that of 1.70ab above.

Romaharṣa taught the Purāṇa[s] of 12,000 [verses], now fully revealed, to his son, [30] Amitabuddhi, for the benefit of humankind. What else do you wish to know?

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe brahmāṇḍasaṃkhyā nāmādhyāyaḥ prathamaḥ ||

Here ends the first chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Description of Brahmā's Egg.

^{1.75} Romaharşa is usually considered to be the same person as Sūta, disciple of Vyāsa Dvaipāyana.

In Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa 3.4.67ab (mayā caitat punaḥ proktam putrāyāmitabud-dhaye, see note to 1.62 above), Amitabuddhi is clearly the name (or epithet) of Romaharṣa's son. This suggests that the reading romaharṣāya in some of the MSS in pāda a is a mistake for romaharṣa's ca, or something similar. MS M is either transmitting a syntactically problematic reading (romaharṣeṇa) that may nevertheless be more original than that preserved in most other witnesses, or its scribe is attempting to correct the text. Supposing the former, I have accepted M's reading. Note that the extent of the transmitted text (12,000 ślokas) has not changed since Trayyāruṇi (1.69).

Manuscripts C_{02} and M place the *iti* of the colophon at the end of the last *śloka*, before the *daṇḍas*, thus: *icchasīti* ||O|| (C_{02}) and *icchasī iti* ||O|| (M). Note also that M gives the number of *ślokas* in this chapter as '77', which is close to the number of verses yielded by this critical edition. The scribe of M struggled with eyeskips in this chapter, therefore it seems unlikely that he himself counted the number of verses he had copied and arrived at this very figure. More likely, he reproduced the number from his exemplar.

[dvitīyo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Two]

vigatarāga uvāca | śrutaṃ mayā janāgreņa brahmāṇḍasya tu nirṇayam | pramāṇaṃ varṇarūpaṃ ca saṃkhyā tasya samāsataḥ || 2:1 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: I have heard the description of Brahmā's Egg (*brahmāṇḍa*) from [you,] the best of men, its extent, colour, form, and the numbers associated with it, in a concise manner.

śivāṇḍeti tvayā prokto brahmāṇḍālayakīrtitaḥ | kīdṛśaṃ lakṣaṇaṃ jñeyaṃ pramāṇaṃ tasya vā kati || 2:2 ||

You mentioned Śiva's Egg (śivāṇḍa) as taught to be the receptacle of Brahmā's Egg (brahmāṇḍa). What are its characteristics and how much is its extent?

kasya vā layanam jñeyam pramāṇam vātra vāsinaḥ | kā vā tatra prajā jñeyā ko vā tatra prajāpatiḥ || 2:3 ||

And whose dwelling place is it? And [what] is the extent of the inhabitants thereof? What kind of subjects live there? And who is the ruler (*prajāpati*) there?

[śivāṇḍasaṃkhyā — Summary of the Śivāṇḍa]

anarthayajña uvāca | śivāṇḍalakṣaṇaṃ vipra na tvaṃ praṣṭum ihārhasi | daivatair api kā śaktir jñātuṃ draṣṭuṃ ca tattvataḥ || 2:4 ||

^{2.1} It is unlikely that *janāgreṇa* picks up *mayā* ('by me, the best of men'). Instead, I suppose that this instrumental could be understood as 'through the best of man,' or rather, simply taken as an ablative ('from the best of men').

^{2.2} The location where the Śivānda was mentioned is verse 1.39a above.

^{2.3} $v\bar{a}$ layanam in $p\bar{a}da$ a may stand for $v\bar{a}$ - \bar{a} layanam, in the sense of $v\bar{a}$ - \bar{a} layam. The questions in this verse are most probably answered in verses 2.26–33, and if my interpretation is correct there, $pram\bar{a}nam$ $v\bar{a}tra$ $v\bar{a}sinah$ (understand $v\bar{a}sin\bar{a}m$) and $p\bar{a}da$ c should refer to the number of inhabitants in the five regions of $\bar{1}s\bar{a}na$, Tatpuruṣa, etc., deities who are referred to here in $p\bar{a}das$ a and possibly d.

Anarthayajña spoke: Please don't ask me about the characteristics of Śiva's Egg (śivāṇḍa), O Brahmin. How could even the gods have the power to truly know and see Śiva's Egg?

agamyagamanaṃ guhyaṃ guhyād api samuddhitam | na prabhur netaras tatra na daṇḍyo na ca daṇḍakaḥ || 2:5 ||

The path leading to it is not to be trodden, it is more secret than any secret, and it is lofty. There is no master or servant there, no-body to be punished and no punisher.

na satyo nānṛtas tatra suśīlo no duḥśīlavān | nānṛjur na ca dambhitvaṃ na tṛṣṇā na ca īṛṣyatā || 2:6 ||

There are no truthful or untruthful people there, no moral or immoral people, no crooked people, no hypocrisy, no thirst or envy.

na krodho na ca lobho 'sti na māno 'sti na sūyakaḥ | īrṣyā dveṣo na tatrāsti na śaṭho na ca matsaraḥ || 2:7 ||

There is no anger or greed there, no arrogance or discontent ($[a]s\bar{u}yaka$), no envy or hatred, no cheaters and no jealousy.

na vyādhir na jarā tatra na śoko 'sti na viklavaḥ | nādhamah purusas tatra nottamo na ca madhyamah || 2:8 ||

There is no disease, no aging, no grief and no agitation there, there are no inferior or superior people and there is nobody in-between.

notkṛṣṭo mānavas tasmin striyaś caiva śivālaye | na nindā na praśaṃsāsti matsarī piśuno na ca || 2:9 ||

^{2.5} samuddhitam in $p\bar{a}da$ b is suspect. Emending it to samuddhitam would not be fully satisfactory, and the readings transmitted in the witnesses are problematic. M, a MS not collated for this chapter, gives a confusing reading: salmurdhnildam. I doubt if E's samiddhidam ('yielding success') is the correct reading. Perhaps samudāhitam ('declared, talked about as'), or samāvitam ('guarded') was meant. It is not inconceivable that agamyagahanam in C_{02} (and in MK_{41} ; 'it is inaccessible because of its depth') is original and is to be contrasted with samuddhitam ('lofty'). One also wonders if guhād could be the right reading, and in what sense, in $p\bar{a}da$ b.

^{2.6} Strictly speaking *duḥśīlavān* in *pāda* b is unmetrical; understand or pronounce *duśīlavān*. *īrṣyatā* (for *īrṣyā*, see 2.7a) is a form rarely attested.

^{2.7} na sūyakaḥ in pāda b stands for nāsūyakaḥ (na asūyakaḥ) metri causa.

There are no privileged men or women there in Śiva's abode, no reproach or praise, no selfish or treacherous people.

garvadarpaṃ na tatrāsti krūramāyādikaṃ tathā | yācamāno na tatrāsti dātā caiva na vidyate || 2:10 ||

There is no pride or arrogance there, no cruelty or trickery and so on. There are no beggars and no donors there.

anarthī vraja tatrasthaḥ kalpavṛkṣasamāśritaḥ | na karma nāpriyas tatra na kaliḥ kalaho na ca || 2:11 ||

Go without material desires (*anarthin*). Once there, you will rest beneath a wishing tree. There is no karma there, no enemy, no Kali age, and no fighting.

dvāparo na ca na tretā kṛtaṃ cāpi na vidyate | manvantaraṃ na tatrāsti kalpaś caiva na vidyate || 2:12 ||

There is no Dvāpara, no Tretā, no Kṛta age; no Manu-eras (man-vantara), and no æons (kalpa) exist there.

āhūtasamplavaṃ nāsti brahmarātridinaṃ tathā | na janmamaraṇaṃ tatra āpadaṃ nāpnuyāt kvacit || 2:13 ||

No universal floods of destruction occur there, nor are there days and nights of Brahmā. There is no birth or death, and no catastrophes ever arise.

na cāśāpāśabaddho 'sti rāgamohaṃ na vidyate | na devā nāsurās tatra na yakṣoragarākṣasāḥ || 2:14 ||

No one is bound by the noose of hope; there is no passion or delusion. There are no gods or demons there, nor any Yakṣas, Serpents, or Rākṣasas.

^{2.11} Note the term *anarthī* in *pāda* a: it may be connected with the notion and with our interlocutor Anarthayajña. My emendation in *pāda* c from *na priyas* ('no lover/husband') to *nāpriyas* ('no enemy') may not be strictly necessary but it seems more meaningful than the transmitted readings.

^{2.12} On manvantaras and kalpas, see 1.22-23 above.

^{2.13} āhūtasamplava for the more widely attested form ābhūtasamplava occurs, e.g., in some MSS transmitting Śivadharmaśāstra 10.77 and 81 (see Bisschop et al. 2025).

na bhūtā na piśācāś ca gandharvā ṛṣayas tathā | tārāgrahaṃ na tatrāsti nāgakiṃnaragāruḍam || 2:15 ||

There are neither Ghosts nor Piśācas, no Gandharvas and no Rṣis. There are no planets, no Nāgas, Kiṃnaras or Garuḍa-like creatures.

na japo nāhnikas tatra nāgnihotrī na yajñakṛt | na vrataṃ na tapaś caiva na tiryannarakaṃ tathā || 2:16 ||

There are no recitations or daily rituals; no one performs the Agnihotra, and there are no sacrificers. There are no religious observances, no austerities, and no 'animal hell'.

tasyeśānasya devasya aiśvaryaguṇavistaram | api varṣaśatenāpi śakyaṃ vaktuṃ na kenacit || 2:17 ||

No one could ever measure the extent of the divine powers of the god, not even in a hundred years.

harecchāprabhavāḥ sarve paryāyeṇa bravīmi te | devamānuṣavarjyāni vṛkṣagulmalatādayaḥ || 2:18 ||

All are born by Hara's wish. I shall teach [them] to you one by one—gods, humans, trees, bushes, creepers, and the rest.

^{2.16} The phrase of *tiryannaraka* appears in MBh 3.181.18ab: *asubhaiḥ karmabhiḥ pāpās tiryannarakagāminaḥ*. Ganguli 1883–1896 translates *tiryan* in this line from the MBh separately as 'in a crooked way,' but I suspect that in the VSS *tiryannaraka* has more to do with *tiryaggati*, i.e., the state of being reduced to animal existence, being reborn as an animal, or entering hell in animal form. Cf. MBh Suppl. 13.15.2615–16:

nṛṣu janma labhante ye karmaṇā madhyamāḥ smṛtāḥ | tiryannarakagantāro hy adhamās te narādhamāḥ ||; and Umāmaheśvarasaṃvāda 6.1: avamanyanti ye viprān sarvaloke namaskṛtān | narakaṃ yānti te sarve tiryagyoniṃ vrajanti ca ||.

I suspect that *nātirya*° in the witnesses is only a scribal mistake for *na tirya*°.

^{2.17} My translation of aiśvaryaguṇa° is tentative. It could be taken as a dvandva compound (e.g., 'supremacy and qualities'). The expression sarva° or aṣṭaiśvaryaguṇopeta occurs frequently—e.g., in Śivapurāṇa 7.2.8.28ab, Skandapurāṇa 55.30cd, and Śivadharmottara 2.6, 79, 125, 127, with aiśvarya most probably referring to the eight siddhis aṇiman, laghiman, etc. De Simini (2016a, 386), e.g., translates sarvaiśvaryaguṇopetaḥ in Śivadharmottara 2.127 as 'endowed with all the qualities of lordship.'

^{2.18} Treat pāda a as if it were the object of bravīmi. Note the gender confusion in this verse. In pāda c, °varjyāni is suspect. I take it as if it stood for vargāḥ/vargāṇi, and not in the sense of 'excluding,' because gods and people are in fact, albeit vaguely, mentioned below.

parārdhadviguṇotsedho vistāraś ca tathāvidhaḥ | anekākārapuṣpāṇi phalāni ca manoharam || 2:19 ||

The height [of the Śivāṇḍa] is two *parārdhas*, and [its] width is the same. There are lovely flowers of many forms there, as well as delightful fruits.

anye kāñcanavṛkṣāṇi maṇivṛkṣāṇy athāpare | pravālamaṇiṣaṇḍāś ca padmarāgaruhāṇi ca || 2:20 ||

There are also golden trees and jewel trees, thickets of coral gems, and ruby plants,

svādumūlaphalāḥ skandhalatāviṭapapādapāḥ | kāmarūpāś ca te sarve kāmadāḥ kāmabhāṣiṇaḥ || 2:21 ||

tasty roots and fruits, and trees with creepers twining around their trunks and branches. All are shape-shifters, fulfilling every desire and whispering seductively.

tatra vipra prajāḥ sarve anantaguṇasāgarāḥ | tulyarūpabalāḥ sarve sūryāyutasamaprabhāḥ || 2:22 ||

There[, in the Śivāṇḍa], O Brahmin, all the subjects are oceans of endless virtues. They are all equally beautiful and strong, and they shine like millions of suns.

parārdhadvayavistāram parārdhadvayam āyatam | parārdhadvayavikṣepam yojanānām dvijottama || 2:23 ||

[Śiva's Egg] is two parārdhas long and two parārdhas wide, and two parārdhas is its [vertical] extension, [measured] in yojanas, O great Brahmin.

^{2.19} I understand pāda a as parārdhadviguņa utsedho, i.e., as an example of double sandhi. On the other hand, "sedho is only my conjecture, and pāda a may have originally referred to something else than the Śivāṇḍa. Note the number confusion in pāda d, and also that two parārdhas is one para, the highest possible number according to verses 1.34–35 above. The number may refer to any unit of length, but 2.23 below suggests that it is yojanas.

^{2.20} Note that both anye and apare here pick up neuter nouns (gender confusion).

^{2.21} My conjectures in $p\bar{a}das$ ab result in a compound spanning the cæsura, which may have been the reason why this line got corrupted.

^{2.23} Both pāda a and c may be treated as containg two words, the first in stem form: parārdhadvaya vistāram and parārdhadvaya vikṣepam.

aiśvaryatvam na samkhyāsti balaśaktiś ca bho dvija | adhordhvo na ca samkhyāsti na tiryañ caiti kaścana || 2:24 ||

[Īśāna's] divinity cannot be expressed in numbers, nor can [His] strength and power, O twice-born. [The distances within Śiva's Egg], both above and below, likewise cannot be expressed in numbers. None can traverse it.

śivāṇḍasya ca vistāram āyāmaṃ ca na vedmy aham | bhogam akṣaya tatraiva janmamṛtyur na vidyate || 2:25 ||

[Indeed,] I do not know the length and breadth of Śiva's Egg. Enjoyment there is undecaying; there is neither birth nor death.

śivāndamadhyam āśritya gokṣīrasadṛśaprabhāḥ | parārdhaparakoṭīnām īśānānāṃ smṛṭālayaḥ || 2:26 ||

In the centre of Śiva's Egg, [creatures] shine like cow's milk. [It is] said to be the region (*ālaya*) of those belonging to Īśāna, one and a half *para* crore in number.

bālasūryaprabhāḥ sarve jñeyās tatpuruṣālaye | parārdhaparakotīnām pūrvasyām diśam āśritāh || 2:27 ||

 $^{2.24 \,} P\bar{a}das$ ab are an echo of 2.17b. $ka\acute{s}cana$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d forces us to accept the reading in $K_{82}^{pc}K_7$ (caiti), as opposed to ceti in the remaining witnesses. Alternatively, translate as '[The distances within Śiva's Egg] downwards and upwards and horizontally cannot be expressed in numbers, some people say.'

 $^{2.25 \,} P\bar{a}da$ c is transmitted in an unmetrical form and with a gender problem in the witnesses (*bhogam akṣayas*, including paper MS K₄₁, not collated here), hence my emendation using a stem form noun, a phenomenon frequently seen in this text. But note that *bhoga* is normally masculine, therefore we may also see a hiatus-filler in-between the two words: *bhoga-m-akṣaya*.

^{2.26} Note the stem form smrta in $p\bar{a}da$ d (cf. 2.29d). I understand $\bar{\imath}\bar{\imath}\bar{a}n\bar{a}n\bar{a}m$ as $ai\bar{\imath}\bar{a}n\bar{a}n\bar{a}m$.

Īśāna is traditionally the upward-looking face of Śiva; his region is positioned at the centre here. Note that the somewhat cryptic third *pādas* here and in the coming verses may or may not refer to the number of creatures dwelling in the given region. They may instead indicate the extent of the given region, although the numbers are much higher than one would expect after verse 2.23; in fact, the second *para* might simply function in the way *adhika* normally does—the number could be 'half a *para* plus a crore.'

They are all like the rising sun in the region of Tatpuruṣa, one and a half *para* crore in number, dwelling in the east.

bhinnāñjanaprabhāḥ sarve dakṣiṇāṃ diśam āśritāḥ | parārdhaparakoṭīnām aghorālayam āśritāḥ || 2:28 ||

In the southern direction, in the region of Aghora, all are like collyrium, one and a half *para* crore in number.

kundenduhimaśailābhāḥ paścimāṃ diśam āśritāḥ | parārdhaparakoṭīnāṃ sadya-m-iṣṭālayaḥ smṛṭaḥ || 2:29 ||

In the western direction, they resemble jasmine, the moon, and snowy rocks. Sady[ojāta]'s beautiful region is [home] to one and a half *para* crore [beings].

kunkumodakasamkāśā uttarām diśam āśritāḥ | parārdhaparakotīnām vāmadevālayaḥ smṛtaḥ || 2:30 ||

In the northern direction, they are like saffron in water; Vāmadeva's region is [home] to one and a half *para* crore [beings].

īśānasya kalāḥ pañca vaktrasyāpi catuṣkalāḥ | aghorasya kalā aṣṭau vāmadevās trayodaśa || 2:31 ||

Īśāna has five parts (kalā), [his Tatpuruṣa] face has four. Aghora has eight, and there are thirteen Vāmadeva[-kalā]s.

^{2.27} The genitive of $par\bar{a}rdhaparakot\bar{\imath}n\bar{a}m$ is baffling here and in the coming verses, but I suspect that again the expression gives the number of subjects living in the given region. $p\bar{u}rvasy\bar{a}m$ is meant to mean $p\bar{u}rv\bar{a}m$ (cf. $daksin\bar{a}m$, $pascim\bar{a}m$, and $uttar\bar{a}m$ in the next verses); note how K_{10} tries to save the construction by reading disi-m.

This verse conforms to the traditional view that Siva's Tatpuruṣa-face is looking towards the eastern direction.

^{2.28} Note the Aiśa form diśim in C_{45} (see, e.g., Kiss 2015, 83, §26), and that Aghora is indeed traditionally south-facing.

^{2.29} Note the Aiśa form diśim in K_7 in $p\bar{a}da$ b. In $p\bar{a}da$ d, we may presuppose the presence of a sandhi-bridge: sadya-m-istalayah. Sadyojāta is traditionally associated with the western direction.

^{2.30} Note the Aiśa form diśim in C_{94} in $p\bar{a}da$ b. Vāmadeva is traditionally associated with the western direction.

^{2.31} Note how *vaktrasya* should refer to Śiva's Tatpuruṣa-face, given that the text lists Śiva's five faces: Īśāna, Tatpuruṣa, Aghora, Vāmadeva, Sadyojāta.

sadyaś cāṣṭau kalā jñeyāḥ saṃsārārṇavatārakāḥ | aṣṭatriṃśat kalā hy etāḥ kīrtitā dvijasattama || 2:32 ||

Sadyojāta has eight parts. These parts, altogether thirty-eight, which liberate us from the ocean of existence, have been taught, O truest Brahmin.

saṃkhyā varṇā diśaś caiva ekaikasya pṛthak pṛthak | pūrvoktena vidhānena bodhavyās tattvacintakaiḥ || 2:33 ||

Those who seek the truth should know the numbers, colours, and directions associated with each [of Śiva's faces] in the way taught above.

śivāṇḍagamanākṛṣṭyā śivayogaṃ sadābhyaset | śivayogaṃ vinā vipra tatra gantuṃ na śakyate || 2:34 ||

If one intents to reach Śiva's Egg, one must practise Śiva-yoga regularly. Without Śiva-yoga, O Brahmin, it is impossible to go there.

aśvamedhādiyajñānāṃ koṭyāyutaśatāni ca | kṛcchrāditapa sarvāṇi kṛtvā kalpaśatāni ca | tatra gantuṃ na śakyeta devair api tapodhana || 2:35 ||

[Even] by [performing] millions of sacrifices such as the Aśvamedha, or by undertaking all the difficult austerities such as the *kṛc-chra* for a hundred *kalpas*, it is impossible to get there—even for the gods, O great ascetic.

gangādisarvatīrtheṣu snātvā taptvā ca vai punaḥ | tatra gantum na śakyeta ṛṣibhir vā mahātmabhiḥ || 2:36 ||

By [merely] bathing and performing austerities at all the sacred places such as the Gaṅgā, not even the honorable Ḥṣis can attain it.

^{2.32} Note sadyaś in pāda a for sadyasaś or sadyojātasya.

^{2.34}° $\bar{a}kr$; $ty\bar{a}$ ('because of being drawn to' or 'with the intention of') in $p\bar{a}da$ a might be corrupt. Perhaps understand ° $\bar{a}kr$;tab ('he who is attracted to').

^{2.35} Understand *kṛcchrāditapa sarvāṇi* as *kṛcchrāditapāṃsi sarvāṇi*. It can be considered an instance of the use of a stem form noun. On the specific penance called *kṛcchra*, which involves having to sleep in a sitting position, see, e.g., Kane 1941–1962, 120.

saptadvīpasamudrāṇi ratnapūrṇāni bho dvija | dattvā vā vedaviduṣe śraddhābhaktisamanvitaḥ | tatra gantuṃ na śakyeta vinā dhyānena niścayaḥ || 2:37 ||

[Even] by donating the oceans of the seven islands, with all their gems, to a Veda-expert, O Brahmin, and doing so with faith and devotion, one cannot reach that place without meditation. This is certain.

svadehān māṃsam uddhṛtya dattvārthibhyaś ca niścayāt | svadāraputrasarvasvaṃ śiro 'rthibhyaś ca yo dadet | na tatra gantuṃ śakyeta anyair vāpi suduṣkaraiḥ || 2:38 ||

He who cuts flesh from his own body and gives it without hesitation to those who are in need, or he who gives away his wife, his son and his possessions or [even] his own head to those in need, or he who [performs] other arduous deeds—none of these will enable him to reach that place [by such acts alone].

yajñatīrthatapodānavedādhyayanapāragah | brahmāṇḍāntasya bhogāṃs tu bhuṅkte kālavaśānugaḥ || 2:39 ||

He who has completed sacrifices, pilgrimages, austerities, gifts, and the study of the Vedas will experience [only] those enjoyments that Brahmā's Egg affords, still remaining subject to time and death.

kālena samapreṣyeṇa dharmo yāti parikṣayam | alātacakravat sarvaṃ kālo yāti paribhraman | traikālyakalanāt kālas tena kālaḥ prakīrtitaḥ || 2:40 ||

Dharma decays, driven forward by time. Time flies, whirling everything around like a circle of burning coal. Time is called *kāla* because of the waves (*kalana*) of the three divisions of time[—past, present, and future].

^{2.38} For examples of legends that involve donating one's own flesh, see VSS 17.37–40 (Uśīnara, Alarka). See also 6.26. Examples of people donating family members include VSS chapter 12 (Vipula giving away his wife), and 17.41 (Sudāsa's story).

^{2.40} Notice the *krama* licence in *pāda* a: *samapre*° renders as short-short-long. I take *samapreṣyena* as if it read *sampreṣito*, picking up *dharmo*; otherwise it is difficult to make

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe śivāṇḍasaṃkhyā nāmādhyāyo dvitīyaḥ ||

Here ends the second chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Description of Śiva's Egg.

sense of it. As Kenji Takahashi pointed out to me, Fitzgerald 2012 is a good starting point to understand the implication of *alātacakra*, 'a single, rapidly twirled torch creat[ing] the illusion of an apparently real, continuous circle' (ibid., p. 777). The function of *sarvaṃ* in *pāda* a becomes clear only if we understand *paribhraman* in a causative sense (for *paribhramayan*). One cannot help noticing that this verse would be in a more fitting context after verse 1.30, at the end of a section on *kāla*. On the other hand, it leads us to the next topic, Dharma, smoothly.

[tṛtīyo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Three]

[dharmapravacanam — Exposition of Dharma]

vigatarāga uvāca | kimarthaṃ dharmam ity āhuḥ katimūrtiś ca kīrtyate | katipādavṛṣo jñeyo gatis tasya kati smṛtāḥ || 3:1 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: Why do they call it Dharma? And how many embodiments ($m\bar{u}rti$) is it known to have? It is known as a bull: how many legs does it have? How many are its paths?

kautūhalaṃ mamotpannaṃ saṃśayaṃ chindhi tattvataḥ | kasya putro muniśreṣṭha prajās tasya kati smṛtāḥ || 3:2 ||

I have become curious [about these questions]. Put an end to my doubts for good. Whose son is [Dharma], O best of sages? How many children does he have?

anarthayajña uvāca | dhṛtir ity eṣa dhātur vai paryāyaḥ parikīrtitaḥ | ādhāranān mahattvāc ca dharma ity abhidhīyate || 3:3 ||

prabhāvārthāya bhūtānāṃ dharmapravacanaṃ kṛtam | yat syād ahiṃsāsaṃyuktam sa dharma iti niścayaḥ || dhāraṇād dharma ity āhur dharmeṇa vidhṛtāḥ prajāḥ | yat syād dhāraṇasaṃyuktaṃ sa dharma iti niścayaḥ ||.

Note the similarities of the above passage from the MBh with this present VSS chapter: the phrase *dharma ity āhur*, the fact that the present chapter from verse 18 on is actually a chapter on *ahimsā*, and that the etymological explanation involves the word $[\bar{a}]dh\bar{a}rana$ in both cases. The above have led me to think that in $p\bar{a}das$ ab of the verse in the VSS it is Dharma that is the focus of the inquiry, as in the MBh, and not the bull.

Understand pāda d as gatayas tasya kati smṛtāḥ. I have accepted smṛtāḥ because this plural at the end of the phrase signals that gatis is meant to be plural, similarly to what happens in 3.6cd (tasya patnī...mahābhāgāḥ). On this, see p. 31. On Dharma as a bull, see pp. 6.

^{3.1} For the correct interpretation of *pāda* a—namely to decide whether these questions focus on the bull of Dharma ('Why do they call the bull Dharma?') or on Dharma itself/himself ('Why is Dharma called Dharma?')—see the end of the previous chapter, where *dharma* was mentioned (2.40b), and to which the present verse is a reaction. Therefore, the focus is not so much on the bull but on Dharma. Compare also MBh 12.110.10–11:

Anarthayajña spoke: Well, *dhṛti* ('firmness'), [of] the [same] verbal root [as *dharma*], is said to be [its] synonym. It is called *dharma* because it supports (āDHĀRaṇa) and because it is great (MAhattva).

śrutismṛtidvayor mūrtiś catuṣpādavṛṣaḥ sthitaḥ | caturāśrama yo dharmaḥ kīrtitāni manīṣibhiḥ || 3:4 ||

The four-legged Bull is the embodiment of both Śruti and Smṛti. It is Dharma, as made up of the four disciplines (āśrama).

gatiś ca pańca vijňeyāḥ śṛṇu dharmasya bho dvija | devamānuṣatiryaṃ ca narakasthāvarādayaḥ || 3:5 ||

And the paths of Dharma are five. Listen, O Brahmin: [existence as] gods, men, animals, [existence in] hell and [as] vegetables, etc.

The insertion '[of] the [same]' in my translation solves the slight problem of a noun (dhṛti) being considered a verbal root (dhātu) here. For similar passages with nominal stems apparently being treated as dhātus, see, e.g., Vāyupurāṇa 3.17cd: bhāvya ity eṣa dhātur vai bhāvye kāle vibhāvyate; Vāyupurāṇa 3.19cd (= Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa 1.38.21ab): nātha ity eṣa dhātur vai dhātujñaiḥ pālane smṛtaḥ; Lingapurāṇa 2.9.19: bhaja ity eṣa dhātur vai sevāyām parikīrtitah.

3.4 Understand pādas c and d as catvāri āśramāṇi kīrtitāni dharmo manīṣibbiḥ or yo dharmah kīrtitaś caturāśramāṇi manīṣibbiḥ or yo dharmaś caturāśramaḥ kīrtito manīṣibbiḥ. Judit Törzsök suggested that caturāśrama and dharmaḥ may be interpreted as a split compound here.

An image of the four divisions or legs of Dharma being the four *āśramas*—and not three, as it may seem, at least according to Olivelle 1993, 99 and Ganguli 1883–1896, Śāntiparvan CCLXX—is hinted at MBh 12.262.19–21:

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dharmam ekaṃ catuṣpādam āśritās te nararṣabhāḥ |
taṃ santo vidhivat prāpya gacchanti paramāṃ gatim ||
gṛhebhya eva niskramya vanam anye samāśritāḥ |
gṛham evābhisaṃśritya tato 'nye brahmacāriṇaḥ ||
dharmam etaṃ catuṣpādam āśramaṃ brāhmaṇā viduḥ |
ānantyaṃ brahmaṇaḥ sthānaṃ brāhmaṇā nāma niścayaḥ ||.
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On the more frequently quoted interpretation of the four legs, see Olivelle 1993, 235, a translation of *Manu* 1.81–82: 'Dharma and truth possess all four feet and are whole during the Kṛta yuga, and people did not obtain anything unrighteously (*adharmeṇa*). By obtaining, however, *dharma* has lost one foot during each of the other *yugas* and righteousness (*dharma*) likewise has diminished by one quarter due to theft, falsehood, and deceit.'

3.5 Note the use of the singular next to a number in pāda a, as in 3.1d. tirya seems to

^{3.3} For similar Purāṇic passages on the etymology of dharma, see the apparatus to this verse.

brahmaṇo hṛdayaṃ bhittvā jāto dharmaḥ sanātanaḥ | tasya patnī mahābhāgā trayodaśa sumadhyamāḥ || 3:6 ||

Eternal Dharma was born after splitting Brahmā's heart. He has beautiful wives, thirteen in number, with nice waists.

dakṣakanyā viśālākṣī śraddhādyā sumanoharāḥ |
tasya putrāś ca pautrāś ca anekāś ca babhūva ha |
eṣa dharmanisargo 'yaṃ kiṃ bhūyaḥ śrotum icchasi || 3:7 ||

They are Dakṣa's daughters, [called] Śraddhā and so on. They have huge eyes and they are beautiful. Numerous sons and grandsons were born to him. This is the nature of Dharma. What more do you wish to hear?

vigatarāga uvāca | dharmapatnī viśeṣeṇa putras tebhyaḥ pṛthak pṛthak | śrotum icchāmi tattvena kathayasva tapodhana || 3:8 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: I would like to hear about Dharma's wives truly and about each one of the sons born to them. Teach me, O great ascetic.

be an acceptable nominal stem in this text for *tiryañc*. See, e.g., 4.6a: *devamānuṣatiryeṣu*. °*ādayaḥ* in *pāda* d seems superfluous, the verse having already listed five items.

^{3.6} Note the use of the singular in pādas cd. I have left sumadhyamāḥ as the manuscripts transmit it: it signals the presence of the plural. One might consider correcting mahābhāgā to mahābhāgās, but cf. p. 31 on grammatical number. In sum, understand tasya patnyo mahābhāgās trayodaśa sumadhyamāh.

 $^{3.7 \,} sinadh \bar{a} \, dh y \bar{a} \, h$ in $p \bar{a} \, da$ b is an attractive lectio difficilior ('they were rich in faith/devotion'), but I have finally decided to accept the easier and better-attested $sinadh \bar{a} \, dy \, \bar{a} \, [h]$. (Note that in fact the wives' names start with Śraddhā in 3.9.) Again, the plural forms " $\bar{a} \, dy \, \bar{a} \, h$ could have been applied. I have chosen $sumanoh \, ar \, \bar{a} \, h$ in $p \, \bar{a} \, da$ b because having the required plural ending only at the end of the noun phrase, seems to be natural in the language of the VSS. Note the use of a singular verb instead of the required plural in $p \, \bar{a} \, da \, s$ cd, $b \, a \, b \, h \, \bar{u} \, v \, a$ perhaps being a phonetic and metrically 'adjusted' equivalent, so to say, of $b \, a \, b \, h \, \bar{u} \, v \, u \, h$.

^{3.8} I could have emended *tebhyaḥ* to the correct feminine form *tābhyaḥ*, suspecting that it is only the result of some early confusion brought about by *putras*, but *tebhyaḥ* might be original, and it might even mean '[I wish to hear] about them [i.e., the sons].' Note again the use of the singular (nominative) for the plural (accusative) in *pādas* ab. Alternatively, emend *dharmapatnī* to *dharmapatnīr* (plural accusative) and *putras* to *putrān* to make them work with *śrotum icchāmi*.

anarthayajña uvāca | śraddhā lakṣmīr dhṛtis tuṣṭiḥ puṣṭir medhā kriyā lajjā | buddhiḥ śāntir vapuḥ kīrtiḥ siddhiḥ prasūtisambhavāḥ || 3:9 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: [Dharma's wives are] [1] Śraddhā ('Faith'), [2] Lakṣmī ('Prosperity'), [3] Dhṛti ('Resolution'), [4] Tuṣṭi ('Satisfaction'), [5] Puṣṭi ('Growth'), [6] Medhā ('Wisdom'), [7] Kriyā ('Labour'), [8] Lajjā ('Modesty'), [9] Buddhi ('Intelligence'), [10] Śānti ('Tranquillity'), [11] Vapus ('Beauty'), [12] Kīrti ('Fame'), [13] Siddhi ('Success'), [all] born to Prasūti[, Dakṣa's wife].

śraddhā kāmaḥ suto jāto darpo lakṣmīsutaḥ smṛtaḥ | dhṛtyās tu niyamaḥ putraḥ saṃtoṣas tuṣṭijaḥ smṛtaḥ || 3:10 ||

Śraddhā's son is Kāma ('Desire'). Darpa ('Pride') is said to be Lakṣmī's son. Dhṛti's son is Niyama ('Rule'). Saṃtoṣa ('Satisfaction') is Tuṣṭi's son.

For Dharma's thirteen wives and their sons, see, e.g., *Lingapurāṇa* 1.5.34–37 (note the similarity between the first line and VSS 3.6cd–7ab above):

dharmasya patnyah śraddhādyāh kīrtitā vai trayodaśa

tāsu dharmaprajāṃ vakṣye yathākramam anuttamam ||

kāmo darpo 'tha niyamaḥ saṃtoṣo lobha eva ca |

śrutas tu daṇḍaḥ samayo bodhaś caiva mahādyutiḥ ||

apramādas ca vinayo vyavasāyo dvijottamāļ!

kṣemam sukham yaśaś caiva dharmaputrāś ca tāsu vai ||

dharmasya vai kriyāyām tu dandah samaya eva ca

apramādas tathā bodho buddher dharmasya tau sutau ||.

prasūtisambhavāb in pāda d is a rather bold conjecture that can be supported by two facts: firstly, the readings of the manuscripts are difficult to make sense of and thus are probably corrupt; secondly, a corruption from the name Prasūti, traditionally the name of Dakṣa's wife, to $\bar{a}bb\bar{u}ti$ is relatively easily to explain, $s\bar{u}$ and $bh\bar{u}$ being close enough in some scripts (e.g., in C_{94}) to cause confusion. Another option would be to accept $\bar{A}bh\bar{u}ti$ as the name of Dakṣa's wife.

For Prasūti being Dakṣa's wife in other sources, see, e.g., *Lingapurāṇa* 1.5.20–21 (but also note the presence of the name Sambhūti):

prasūtiķ susuve dakṣāc caturviṃśatikanyakāḥ |

śraddhām lakṣmīm dhṛtim puṣṭim tuṣṭim medhām kriyām tathā ||

buddhi lajjām vapuḥ śāntim siddhim kīrtim mahātapāḥ |

khyātim šāntiš ca sambhūtim smṛtim prītim kṣamām tathā ||.

3.10 Understand śraddhā as a stem form noun for śraddhāyāḥ (gen./abl., cf. 3.11a). Alternatively, take śraddhā and suto as elements of a split compound, and understand śraddhāsuto jātaḥ kāmaḥ.

^{3.9} Note how *lajjā* in *pāda* b makes the line unmetrical.

puṣṭyā lābhaḥ suto jāto medhāputraḥ śrutas tathā | kriyāyās tv abhavat putro daṇḍaḥ samaya eva ca || 3:11 ||

To Puṣṭi was born a son [called] Lābha ('Profit'). Medhā's son is Śruta ('Sacred Knowledge'). Kriyā's sons are Daṇḍa ('Punishment') and Samaya ('Law').

lajjāyā vinayaḥ putro buddhyā bodhaḥ sutaḥ smṛtaḥ | lajjāyāḥ sudhiyaḥ putra apramādaś ca tāv ubhau || 3:12 ||

Lajjā's son is Vinaya ('Discipline'), Buddhi's son is Bodha ('Intelligence'). Lajjā has two [more] sons: Sudhiya[/Sudhī] ('Wise') and Apramāda ('Cautiousness').

kṣemaḥ śāntisuto vindyād vyavasāyo vapoḥ sutaḥ | yaśaḥ kīrtisuto jñeyaḥ sukhaṃ siddher vyajāyata | svāyambhuve 'ntare tv āsan kīrtitā dharmasūnavaḥ || 3:13 ||

Kṣema ('Peace') is to be known as Śānti's son, Vyavasāya ('Resolution') is Vapus' son. Yaśas ('Fame') is Kīrti's son, Sukha ('Joy') was born to Siddhi. [This is how] the sons of Dharma in the [manvantara] era of Svāyambhuva [Manu] were known.

yāmā nāma purā devā āsan svāyambhuvāntare, and Bhāgavatapurāṇa 6.4.1: devāsuranṛṇāṃ sargo nāgānāṃ mṛgapakṣiṇām | sāmāsikas tvayā prokto yas tu svāyambhuve 'ntare ||.

^{3.11} I have emended abhayah to abhavat in pāda c, following the relevant line in the Kūrmapurāṇa cited in the apparatus to this verse (kriyāyāś cābhavat putro daṇḍaḥ samaya eva ca) and also Lingapurāṇa 1.5.37 quoted also in the apparatus, allotting only two sons to Kriyā. Thus I don't think that Kriyā is supposed to have a son called Abhaya ('Freedom from danger'; Bhāgavatapurāṇa 4.1.50ab claims that Dayā had a son called Abhaya: śraddhāsūta śubham maitrī prasādam abhayam dayā). Nevertheless, in several sources Kriyā actually has three sons; see, e.g., Viṣṇupurāṇa 1.7.26ab, where they are named Daṇḍa, Naya and Vinaya: medhā śrutaṃ kriyā daṇḍaṃ nayaṃ vinayam eva ca. Perhaps read kriyāyās tu nayaḥ putro in pāda c? Compare Vāyupurāṇa 1.10.34cd (kriyāyās tu nayaḥ prokto daṇḍaḥ samaya eva ca) with Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa 1.9.60ab (kriyāyās tanayau proktau damaś ca śama eva ca).

^{3.12} In a very similar passages in *Kūrmapurāṇa* 1.8.20 ff., Apramāda is Buddhi's son and Lajjā has only one son, Vinaya. In the above verse (VSS 3.12), *sudhiyaḥ* (for *sudhīḥ*) may only be qualifying *apramāda*, thus Lajjā may have two sons: Vinaya and the wise Apramāda. Alternatively, *pādas* cd might be a extra line inserted accidentally.

^{3.13} Note that *sukhaṃ* in *pāda* d is probably meant to be masculine (*sukhaḥ*), but, e.g., in the *Kūrmapurāṇa* passage quoted above it is also neuter. For the emendation in *pāda* e, see *Matsyapurāṇa* 9.2cd:

vigatarāga uvāca | mūrtidvayaṃ kathaṃ dharmaṃ kathayasva tapodhana | kautūhalam atīvaṃ me kartaya jñānasaṃśayam || 3:14 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: How is it that Dharma has two embodiments? Tell me, O great ascetic. I am extremely intrigued—dispel my doubts concerning [this] knowledge.

anarthayajña uvāca |
śrutismṛtidvayor mūrtir dharmasya parikīrtitā |
dārāgnihotrasambandha ijyā śrautasya lakṣaṇam |
smārto varṇāśramācāro yamaiś ca niyamair yutaḥ || 3:15 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: Dharma's embodiment is said to consist of Scripture (śruti) and Tradition (smṛti). The characteristics of the Śrauta [tradition] are an association with a wife [i.e., marriage], with the fire ritual, and sacrifice. The Smārta [tradition focuses on] the conduct (ācāra) of the social classes (varṇa) and disciplines (āśrama) which is connected to rules and regulations (yama-niyama).

^{3.14} Note dharma as a neuter noun and the form atīvam for atīva metri causa. My emendation from kīrtaya ('declare') to kartaya ('cut, dispel') was influenced by the combination of chindhi and samśaya, often found together with kautūhala, elsewhere in the VSS: 3.2ab: kautūhalam mamotpannam samśayam chindhi tattvataḥ; 10.10cd: kautūhalam mahaj jātam chindhi samśayakārakam; 15.2ab: etat kautūhalam chindhi samśayam parameśvara. The reading kīrtaya may have been influenced by kīrtitā in 3.13f above.

^{3.15} The reading ° $dvay\bar{t}$ in K_7 in $p\bar{a}da$ a is attractive, but it could easily be only an attempt to improve the text. The emendation in $p\bar{a}da$ c is based on parallel passages in Manu and the $Matsyapur\bar{a}na$ (see the apparatus).

As for Dharma being based on śruti and smrti, see, e.g., Manu 2.10:

śrutis tu vedo vijñeyo dharmaśāstram tu vai smrtih

te sarvārthesv amīmāmsye tābhyām dharmo hi nirbabhau ||.

In Olivelle's translation (2005, 94): "Scripture" should be recognized as "Veda," and "tradition" as "Law Treatise." These two should never be called into question in any matter, for it is from them that the Law shines forth.'

To state that the Smārta tradition is connected to *yamas* and *niyamas* and the *āśramas* and then to discuss these at length (principally in chapters 3–8 and 11) can be seen as a clear self-identification with the Smārta/Dharmaśāstric tradition.

[*yamaniyamabhedaḥ* — Yama and Niyama rules]

yamaś ca niyamaś caiva dvayor bhedam ataḥ śṛṇu | ahiṃsā satyam asteyam ānṛśaṃsyaṃ damo ghṛṇā | dhanyāpramādo mādhuryam ārjavam ca yamā daśa || 3:16 ||

Now hear the classification of both the *yama* and *niyama* rules. Non-violence, truthfulness, refraining from stealing, absence of hostility, self-restraint, taboos, virtue, avoiding mistakes, charm, sincerity: these are the ten *yamas*.

ekaikasya punaḥ pañcabhedam āhur manīṣiṇaḥ | ahiṃsādi pravakṣyāmi śṛṇuṣvāvahito dvija || 3:17 ||

The wise say that there are five subclasses to each. I shall teach you about non-violence and the other [yama-rules]. Listen carefully, O twice-born.

[yameṣv ahiṃsā (1) —
First Yama-rule: non-violence]
[pañcavidhā hiṃsā —
Five types of violence]

trāsanaṃ tāḍanaṃ bandho māraṇaṃ vṛttināśanam | hiṃsāṃ pañcavidhām āhur munayas tattvadarśinaḥ || 3:18 ||

Frightening and beating [other people], tying [someone] up, killing, and the destruction of the livelihood [of others]: violence is said by the wise who see the truth to be of [these] five types.

^{3.16} *Pāda* a should be understood as *yamaniyamayoś*, but the author of this line may have tried to avoid the metrical fault of having two short syllables in second and third position. Note how all witnesses read *mādhūrya* in *pāda* e instead of *mādhūrya*. The former may have been acceptable originally in this text. *Pāda* e is a *ma-vipulā*.

As noted above, this is the beginning of a long section in our text that describes the *yama-niyama* rules, reaching up to the end of chapter eight. The title given in the colophon of the next chapter, chapter four, namely *yamavibhāga*, would fit this locus better than the beginning of that chapter, which commences with a discussion on the second of the *yamas*: *satya*.

^{3.17} In *pāda* a, *pañca* and *bheda* may be typeset as two separate words since the use of the singular after numbers is one of the hallmarks of the text (see p. 31).

kāṣṭhaloṣṭakaśādyais tu tāḍayantīha nirdayāḥ | tatprahāravibhinnāṅgo mṛtavadhyam avāpnuyāt || 3:19 ||

Cruel people beat [others] with sticks, clods of earth [i.e., they stone them], with whips and other [objects] in this world. Their bodies broken by the same blows, they suffer capital punishment.

baddhvā pādau bhujoraś ca śirorukkanṭhapāśitāḥ | anāhatā mriyanty evaṃ vadho bandhanajaḥ smṛtaḥ || 3:20 ||

[Others] tie [people] up by their feet, arms and chest. Hung by their hair and neck, they die in this way without being wounded. This is the capital punishment for tying [people] up.

śatrucaurabhayair ghoraiḥ siṃhavyāghragajoragaiḥ | trāsanād vadham āpnoti anyair vāpi suduḥsahaiḥ || 3:21 ||

He who frightens [other people] with the terrible danger of enemies and thieves, with lions, tigers, elephants or snakes, or other horrors, will be executed.

yasya yasya hared vittam tasya tasya vadhah smrtah | vrttijīvābhibhūtānām taddvārā nihatah smrtah || 3:22 ||

He who robs someone of money is to be punished by the same person; he is [to be] struck down by those whose livelihood has been harmed by him.

^{3.19} Note the use of the singular (°āngo... avāpnuyāt) in pādas cd referring back to the plural agents of the previous sentence. Most probably, °vadhyam is to be understood as °vadham and the form vadhyam serves only to avoid two laghu syllables in pāda d. (See the word vadha in the next three verses.)

^{3.20} Understand bhujoras ca in pāda a as bhuje, urasi ca, in this case with an instance of double sandhi, and in stem form: bhuje urasi ca \rightarrow bhuja urasi ca \rightarrow bhujorasi ca \rightarrow bhujoras ca. Alternatively, understand it as a compound (bhujorasi). In pāda b, my emendation is only one of the possible interpretations. We might accept siroru° as consisting of sira + \bar{u} ru ('head and thigh'), or emend it to siroraḥ° for sira + uraḥ ('head and chest'). Also note my conjecture in pāda d, without which this pāda is difficult to interpret.

^{3.22} Perhaps understand vadhah in $p\bar{a}da$ b as vadhyah metri causa. My translation of the second line of this verse reflects a conjecture ($taddv\bar{a}r\bar{a}$) understood as connected to both $p\bar{a}da$ c and nihatah in $p\bar{a}da$ d. The plural genitive in $p\bar{a}da$ c and the instrumental $taddv\bar{a}r\bar{a}$ are perhaps to be taken as plural instrumentals: ° $bhibh\bar{u}tais$ tair.

viṣavahniśaraśastrair māyāyogabalena vā | hiṃsakāny āhu viprendra munayas tattvadarśinaḥ || 3:23 ||

[Those who kill other people] with poison, fire, arrows, swords, or by the force of magic or yoga, are called murderers by the sages who see the truth, O great Brahmin.

[ahiṃsāpraśaṃsā — Praise of non-violence]

ahiṃsā paramaṃ dharmaṃ yas tyajet sa durātmavān | kleśāyāsavinirmuktaṃ sarvadharmaphalapradam || 3:24 ||

Non-violence is the highest Dharma. He who abandons it is a wicked person. It is free from pain and trouble, and yields the fruits of all [other] Dharmic teachings [in itself].

nātaḥ parataro mūrkho nātaḥ parataraṃ tamaḥ | nātaḥ parataraṃ duḥkhaṃ nātaḥ parataro 'yaśaḥ || 3:25 ||

There is no bigger fool than one [who abandons it]. There is no bigger mental darkness [than the abandonment of non-violence]. There is no greater suffering, no greater infamy.

nātaḥ parataraṃ pāpaṃ nātaḥ parataraṃ viṣam | nātaḥ paratarāvidyā nātaḥ parataro 'dhanaḥ || 3:26 ||

There is no greater sin, no more potent poison. There is no greater ignorance, no greater poverty.

 $^{3.23 \} P\bar{a}da$ a is a sa- $vipul\bar{a}$. Note how elliptical this verse is and that $himsak\bar{a}ni$ is neuter although it refers to people, perhaps implying $bh\bar{u}t\bar{a}ni$. Alternatively, take y in $himsak\bar{a}ny$ as a rather unusual sandhi-bridge ($himsak\bar{a}n$ -y- $\bar{a}hu$), or simply delete this y. Note also that $\bar{a}hu$ stands for $\bar{a}hur$ metri causa.

^{3.24} Note *dharma* as a neuter noun in $p\bar{a}da$ a and that "vinirmuktam" and "pradam are neuter accordingly.

^{3.25} Note that *parataro* is masculine in *pāda* d, picking up a neuter *'yaśaḥ*. This phenomenon is probably the result of *'yaśaḥ* resembling a masculine noun ending in *-aḥ* and also of the metrical problem with a grammatically correct *nātaḥ parataram ayaśaḥ*.

^{3.26} Most witnesses read *tapodhana* at the end of the $p\bar{a}da$ d. The vocative *tapodhana* usually refers to Anarthayajña in these passages, and not to Vigatarāga, as seemingly does here. For long, my idea to emend to $n\bar{a}tah$ parataro 'dhanah ('there is no bigger loss of wealth')—in spite of the fact that a neuter parataram adhanam would be better—was not supported by any witness, but the collation of T_{82} made me revisit and adopt this possibility.

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yo hinasti na bhūtāni udbhijjādi caturvidham | sa bhavet puruṣaḥ śreṣṭḥaḥ sarvabhūtadayānvitaḥ || 3:27 ||
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He who does not harm [any of] the four types of living beings, beginning with plants, is the best person, because he has compassion for all creatures.

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sarvabhūtadayāṃ nityaṃ yaḥ karoti sa paṇḍitaḥ |
sa yajvā sa tapasvī ca sa dātā sa dṛḍhavrataḥ || 3:28 ||
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He who always has compassion for all creatures is the [true] Pandit. He is the [true] sacrificer, the [true] ascetic, he is a [real] donor, one with a firm yow.

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ahiṃsā paramaṃ tīrtham ahiṃsā paramaṃ tapaḥ | ahiṃsā paramaṃ dānam ahiṃsā paramaṃ sukham || 3:29 ||
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Non-violence is the supreme pilgrimage place. Non-violence is the highest austerity. Non-violence is the highest gift. Non-violence is the highest joy.

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ahiṃsā paramo yajñaḥ ahiṃsā paramaṃ vratam |
ahimsā paramam jñānam ahimsā paramā kriyā || 3:30 ||
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Non-violence is the supreme sacrifice. Non-violence is the supreme religious observance. Non-violence is the supreme knowledge. Non-violence is the supreme ritual.

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ahiṃsā paramaṃ śaucam ahiṃsā paramo damaḥ |
ahiṃsā paramo lābhaḥ ahiṃsā paramaṃ yaśaḥ || 3:31 ||
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Non-violence is the highest purity. Non-violence is the highest self-restraint. Non-violence is the highest profit. Non-violence is the greatest fame.

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ahiṃsā paramo dharmaḥ ahiṃsā paramā gatiḥ |
ahiṃsā paramaṃ brahma ahiṃsā paramaḥ śivaḥ || 3:32 ||
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Non-violence is the supreme Dharma. Non-violence is the supreme path. Non-violence is the supreme Brahman. Non-violence is supreme Śiva.

[māṃsāhāraḥ — Meat-consumption]

māṃsāśanān nivarteta manasāpi na kāṅkṣayet |

sa mahat phalam āpnoti yas tu māṃsaṃ vivarjayet | 3:33 ||

One should refrain from meat-consumption. One should not even desire it mentally. He who abandons meat will receive a great reward.

svamāṃsaṃ paramāṃsena yo vardhayitum icchati | anabhyarcya pitṛn devān na tato 'nyo 'sti pāpakṛt || 3:34 ||

He who wishes to nourish his own flesh with the flesh of other [beings], outside of worshipping the ancestors and the gods, is the biggest sinner of all.

madhuparke ca yajñe ca pitṛdaivatakarmaṇi | atraiva paśavo hiṃsyā nānyatra manur abravīt || 3:35 ||

During the honey-mixture offering (*madhuparka*) and during a sacrifice, during rituals for the ancestors and the gods: only in these cases are animals to be slaughtered and not in any other case. [This is what] Manu taught.

krītvā svayam vāpy utpādya paropahṛtam eva vā |

devān pitṛṃś cārcayitvā khādan māṃsaṃ na doṣabhāk || 3:36 ||

Should he buy it or procure it himself or should it be offered by others, if he eats meat, he will not sin if he first worships the gods and the ancestors.

vedayajñatapastīrthadānaśīlakriyāvrataiḥ | māṃsāhāranivṛttānāṃ ṣoḍaśāṃśaṃ na pūryate || 3:37 ||

[People who perform] Vedic sacrifices and austerities, and [visit] sacred places, give gifts, [those who are of] good conduct, [perform] rituals and [keep] religious vows, [but eat meat] will not [be able to] enjoy even the sixteenth part of [such rewards that those] people [receive] who have given up meat.

^{3.34} See *Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda* chapter two for a similar section on meat-consumption. The present verse is a variant on *Manu* 5.52 (see apparatus).

^{3.35} This verse is a variant of Manu 5.41.

^{3.36} This verse is Manu 5.32.

^{3.37} As for pāda d, see a similarly phrased comparison in Manu 2.86:

mṛgāḥ parṇatṛṇāhārād ajameṣagavādibhiḥ | sukhino balavantaś ca vicaranti mahītale || 3:38 ||

Deer, goats, sheep, cows, and other [animals] roam the world in happiness and great strength, [simply] by feeding on leaves and grass.

vānarāḥ phala-m-āhārā rākṣasā rudhirapriyāḥ | nihatā rākṣasāḥ sarve vānaraiḥ phalabhojibhiḥ || 3:39 ||

Monkeys eat fruits, Rākṣasas prefer blood. The fruit-eating monkeys defeated all the Rākṣasas.

tasmān māṃsaṃ na hīheta balakāmena bho dvija | balena ca guṇākarṣāt parato bhayabhīruṇā || 3:40 ||

Therefore one should not crave meat in the hope of gaining strength, O Brahmin, in order to be able to draw a bow with force, or out of fear of the danger coming from the enemy.

ahiṃsakasamo nāsti dānayajñasamīhayā | iha loke yaśaḥ kīrtiḥ paratra ca parā gatiḥ || 3:41 ||

By wishing to make donations and perform sacrifices no one will become comparable to someone who refrains from violence. [Such a person will have] fame and glory in this world and the supreme path in the other.

ye pākayajñās catvāro vidhiyajñasamanvitāḥ | sarve te japayajñasya kalām nārhanti ṣoḍaśīm ||.

In Olivelle's translation (2005, 99): 'The four types of cooked oblations along with the sacrifices consisting of prescribed rites—all these are not worth a sixteenth part of the sacrifice consisting of soft recitation.'

^{3.39} Understand *phalam āhārā* as *phalāhārā* (-m- is a sandhi-bridge). This verse clearly refers to the story of the $R\bar{a}m\bar{a}yana$.

^{3.40} guṇākāśāt in pāda c is difficult to interpret and guṇākarṣāt is a conjecture by Judit Törzsök which fits the context well, although the polysemy of guṇa may allow for other solutions.

^{3.41} Note the variant °dharmasamīhayā in pāda b in both C_{02} and E. Pādas ab are reminiscent of Śivadharmaśāstra 11.92:

ahimsaikā paro dharmaḥ śaktānām parikīrtitam | aśaktānām ayam dharmo dānayajñādipūrvakaḥ ||.
On the above verse see also Bisschop et al. 2021, 15–16.

trailokyam maṇiratnapūrṇam akhilam dattvottame brāhmaṇe koṭīyajñasahasrapadmam ayutam dattvā mahīm dakṣiṇām | tīrthānām ca sahasrakoṭiniyutam snātvā sakṛn mānava etatpunyaphalam ahimsakajanah prāpnoti nihsamśayah || 3:42 ||

A person who refrains from violence will gain, without doubt, the [same] meritorious rewards as one who donates the three worlds, entirely filled with jewels and gems, to an excellent Brahmin; who [performs] a thousand times ten trillion (padma) times ten thousand (ayuta) koṭīyajña sacrifices; who donates the whole earth as a sacrificial fee; and who bathes at once [at] a thousand times ten million times a million (niyuta) sacred places.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe ahiṃsāpraśaṃsā nāmādhyāyas tṛtīyaḥ ||

Here ends the third chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Praise of Non-violence.

^{3.42} Metre: $\delta \bar{a}rd\bar{u}lavikr\bar{u}dita$. Note that the second syllable of *phalam* in $p\bar{a}da$ d is treated as long: this happens often at word-boundaries in this text (see p. 39); and note how K_7 aims to restore the metre by inserting tv after its *phalam*. On *padma* meaning 'ten trillion', and on other words for numbers, see 1.31–35.

koṭīyajña in pāda d may refer to a special kind of sacrifice, mostly known as koṭihoma in the Purāṇas and in inscriptions (see, e.g., Fleming 2010, and 2013). It involves a hundred fire-pits and a hundred times one thousand Brahmins (hence the name 'the ten-million sacrifice'). See, e.g., Bhaviṣyapurāṇa uttaraparvan 4.142.54–58:

śatānano daśamukho dvimukhaikamukhas tathā | caturvidho mahārāja koṭihomo vidhīyate || kāryasya gurutāṃ jñātvā naiva kuryād aparvaṇi | yathā saṃkṣepataḥ kāryaḥ koṭihomas tathā śṛṇu || kṛtvā kuṇḍaśataṃ divyaṃ yathoktaṃ hastasaṃmitam | ekaikasmiṃs tataḥ kuṇḍe śataṃ viprān niyojayet || sadyaḥ pakṣe tu viprāṇāṃ sahasraṃ parikīrtitam | ekasthānapraṇīte 'gnau sarvataḥ paribhāvite || homaṃ kuryur dvijāḥ sarve kuṇḍe kuṇḍe yathoditam | yathā kuṇḍabahutve 'pi rājasūye mahākratau ||.

Note Śivadharmaśāstra 10.91 (see apparatus), a statement on ahimsā which is similar to the present verse.

[caturtho 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Four]

[yameṣu satyam (2) — Second Yama-rule: truthfulness]

anarthayajña uvāca | sadbhāvaḥ satyam ity āhur dṛṣṭapratyayam eva vā | yathābhūtārthakathanaṃ tat satyakathanaṃ smṛtam || 4:1 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: The state of being real $(sad-bh\bar{a}va)$ is called truth (sat-ya). Alternatively, it is also a certainty (pratyaya) that originates in perception (drsta). Relating things in a way that corresponds to reality is called 'speaking the truth.'

ākrośatāḍanādīni yaḥ saheta suduḥsaham | kṣamate yo jitātmā tu sa ca satyam udāhṛtam || 4:2 ||

He who endures severe abuse and beating, etc. and resists [giving away secrets], his self being conquered, is said to be [an example of] truth[fulness].

vadhārtham udyataḥ śastraṃ yadi pṛccheta karhicit | na tatra satyam vaktavyam anrtam satyam ucyate || 4:3 ||

This verse is translated in Bisschop et al. 2021, p. 124 as follows: 'If one does not conceal a matter one is asked about, whether it was experienced by oneself or witnessed with one's own eyes, but gives an account of things as they happened, this is the definition of "truth." 'This verse makes it tempting to emend satyakathanam to satyalakṣaṇam in VSS 4.1d, but I rather take the VSS verse to introduce two views on truth: one philosophical, and one ordinary that relates to the moral aspect of truthfulness. Also consider the commentator's remark on the same verse in the Śivadharmaśāstra (verse 11.105; Bisschop et al. 2021, p. 124 n. 181 and p. 143): yathābhūtārthakathane prāṇivadhaprāptāv asatyasya sādhutvāt parapīḍāvinirmuktam eva satyam ity āha. Translation ibid.: '... he states that [speech is] truth only as long as it is devoid of harm of others, for untruth is good when giving an account of something as it really happened will result in the slaughter of a living creature.'

4.2 suduḥṣaham (singular) in pāda b picks up °ādīni (plural) in pāda a. The -m in satyam may be a sandhi-bridge and the phrase may refer to a masculine subject ('a truthful person') thus: sa ca satya-m-udāhṛtaḥ. Compare with Śivadharmaśāstra 11.82 (see apparatus), which is a definition of forbearance (kṣānti).

^{4.1} Compare Śivadharmaśāstra 11.105: svānubhūtam svadṛṣṭaṃ ca yaḥ pṛṣṭārthaṃ na gūhati | yathābhūtārthakathanam ity etat satyalakṣaṇam ||.

If one is being interrogated at any time with a sword lifted to strike him down, in this case the truth is not to be spoken, and a lie can be called truth.

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vadhārhaḥ puruṣaḥ kaścid vrajet pathi bhayāturaḥ |
pṛcchato 'pi na vaktavyaṃ satyaṃ tad vāpi ucyate || 4:4 ||
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A person who is walking on the road and is afraid of being killed should not reply to [people who are potentially dangerous] even if they ask him. This is also called truth[fulness].

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na narmayuktam anṛtaṃ hinasti
na strīṣu rājan na vivāhakāle |
prāṇātyaye sarvadhanāpahāre
pañcānṛtaṃ satyam udāharanti || 4:5 ||
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A lie does not cause harm when it is told in jest, in dealings with women, O king, at the time of marriage, at the moment of death, or when one's entire wealth is about to be taken away. These five kinds of lies are called truths.

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devamānuṣatiryeṣu satyaṃ dharmaḥ paro yataḥ |
satyaṃ śreṣṭhaṃ variṣṭhaṃ ca satyaṃ dharmaḥ sanātanaḥ || 4:6 ||
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Since truth is the supreme Dharma in [the world of] gods, humans and animals, truth is the best, the most preferable. Truth is the eternal Dharma.

satyaṃ sāgaram avyaktaṃ satyam akṣayabhogadam | satyaṃ potaḥ paratrārthaṃ satyaṃ panthāna vistaram || 4:7 ||

^{4.3} Understand *udyatah* (nominative) in an active sense ('holding/lifting').

^{4.4 &#}x27;being killed' is not the most obvious translation for *vadhārhaḥ* in *pāda* a, but the context suggests that what may have been intended is not a person who 'deserves death.'

^{4.5} Metre: *upajāti*. This verse appears in countless sources, beginning with the MBh (see the apparatus). All versions contain a vocative addressing a king, which is out of context in the VSS, the addressee being Vigatarāga, i.e., Viṣṇu disguised as a Brahmin. The redactors did not notice or did not care about this small inconsistency. Note the metrical licence that allows the last syllable of "yuktam to count as long (see p. 42). The reading with anṛtaṃ, as opposed to vacanaṃ, in pāda a, can be found in the apparatus of the MBh critical edition.

Truth is an unmanifest ocean. Truth yields imperishable pleasures. Truth is a ship bound for the other world. Truth is the wide path.

satyam iṣṭagatiḥ proktaṃ satyaṃ yajñam anuttamam | satyaṃ tīrthaṃ paraṃ tīrthaṃ satyaṃ dānam anantakam || 4:8 ||

Truth is said to be the desired path. Truth is the supreme sacrifice. Truth is a pilgrimage place, a supreme pilgrimage place. Truth is endless donation.

satyaṃ śīlaṃ tapo jñānaṃ satyaṃ śaucaṃ damaḥ śamaḥ | satyaṃ sopānam ūrdhvasya satyaṃ kīrtir yaśaḥ sukham || 4:9 ||

Truth is virtue, austerity, knowledge. Truth is purity, self-control, and tranquillity. Truth is the ladder [that leads] upwards. Truth is fame and glory and happiness.

aśvamedhasahasram ca satyam ca tulayā dhṛtam | aśvamedhasahasrād dhi satyam eva viśiṣyate || 4:10 ||

[When] a thousand Aśvamedha sacrifices and truth are measured on a pair of scales, truth indeed surpasses a thousand Aśvamedha sacrifices.

satyena tapate sūryaḥ satyena pṛthivī sthitā | satyena vāyavo vānti satye toyaṃ ca śītalam || 4:11 ||

The Sun shines because of truth. The Earth stays in place by truth. The winds blow because of truth. Water has a cooling effect through truth.

tiṣṭhanti sāgarāḥ satye samayena priyavrataḥ | satye tiṣṭhati govindo balibandhanakāraṇāt || 4:12 ||

^{4.7} Pāda d is slightly problematic because it is difficult to ascertain if some of the MSS actually read panthāna or pasthāna (or yasthāna). I suspect that panthāna is a stem form irregular nominative of pathin used (metri causa).

^{4.9} Considering a similar line in the *Varāhapurāṇa* (193.36cd, see the apparatus), one wonders if the slightly odd *ūrdhvasya* in *pāda* c is not a corrupt form of *svargasya*.

^{4.11} In general, see sections similar to VSS 4.11–17 on satya in MBh 12.192.63–72, Revākhaṇḍa 91.68–70, Viṣṇudharma 55.1ff, Viṣṇudharmottara 3.265.1ff, etc. Here in VSS 4.11d, and several times below, satye is probably to be taken as standing for satyena.

The oceans exist by the truthful encounter with Priyavrata. Govinda abides in truth because He [as Vāmana] stopped [Mahā]Bali [in spite of the fact that this was achieved by a trick].

agnir dahati satyena satyena śaśinaś caraḥ | satyena vindhyās tiṣṭhanti vardhamāno na vardhate || 4:13 ||

Fire burns according to truth. The Moon's course is [governed] by truth. It is because of truth that the Vindhya mountain stands in place and that although it was growing, it is not growing [anymore].

4.12 Pāda b, samayena priyavrataḥ, probably stand for samayena priyavratasya although it is unclear to me what exactly samaya refers to here.

For the story of Priyavrata, Manu's son, in which he wanted to turn nights into days by circling around Mount Meru in a chariot, and by this produced the seven oceans, see, e.g., Bhāgavatapurāna 5.1.30–31: yāvad avabhāsayati suragirim anuparikrāman bhagavān ādityo vasudhātalam ardhenaiva pratapaty ardhenāvacchādayati, tadā hi [priyavratah] bhagavadupāsanopacitātipuruṣaprabhāvas tad anabhinandan samajavena rathena jyotirmayena rajanīm api dinam kariṣyāmīti saptakṛtvas taranim anuparyakrāmad dvitīya iva patangah | ye vā u ha tadrathacaraṇanemikṛtaparikhātās te sapta sindhava āsan yata eva kṛtāh sapta bhuvo dvīpāḥ |.

For a reference to the story of Mahābali that is somewhat similar to our *pāda*s cd, see, e.g., *Vāmanapurāṇa* 65.66:

evaṃ purā cakradhareṇa viṣṇunā baddho balir vāmanarūpadhāriṇā | śakrapriyārthaṃ surakāryasiddhaye hitāya viprarṣabhagodvijānām ||.
4.13 Pāda a might as well be a reference to a story mentioned in Manu 8.116: vatsasya hy abhiśastasya purā bhrātrā yavīyasā | nāgnir dadāha romāpi satyena jagataḥ spaśaḥ ||.

Olivelle's translation (2005, 311): 'Long ago when Vatsa was accused by his younger brother, Fire, the world's spy, did not burn a single hair of his because he told the truth.' Olivelle's note on this verse (ibid., 311) reads: 'Vatsa was accused by his brother of being the son of a Śūdra woman and thus not a pure Brahmin. Vatsa went through fire to prove his pedigree. See *Paūcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa* 14.6.6.'

Since śaśi (instead of śaśin) is a possible stem in this text, śaśir ācaraḥ ($K_{82}K_{10}K_7$) in pāda b could be acceptable here, perhaps standing metri causa for the compound śaśicaraḥ. Nevertheless, I have chosen to conjecture śaśinaś caraḥ, now preferring it to my previous conjecture, śaśinā caraḥ. Other possibilities, suggested by Judit Törzsök and other colleagues, include śaśibhāskaraḥ, śaśigocaraḥ, śiśiro 'caraḥ, and śiśirāmbhasaḥ. Similar passages quoted in the apparatus suggest that the Moon waxes, or shines, by truth (satyena vardhate/rājate). Compare also a passage in the MBh (quoted in the apparatus) that compares Hariścandra, renowned for his truthfulness, to the Moon, using the verb carati. These passages seem to support a reading close to my conjecture.

While it is not clear if pādas ab refer to specific legends or not, pādas cd hint at the

lokālokaḥ sthitaḥ satye meruḥ satye pratiṣṭhitaḥ |
vedās tiṣṭhanti satyeṣu dharmaḥ satye pratiṣṭhati || 4:14 ||
The [mythical] Lokāloka mountains are located in truth. Mount

story of Agastya and the Vindhya mountain: Vindhya became jealous of the Sun's revolving around Mount Meru, and when the Sun refused him the same favour, he decided to grow higher and obstruct the Sun's movement. As a solution to this situation, Agastya asked Vindhya to bend down to make it easier for him to reach the south and to remain thus until he returned. Vindhya agreed to do what Agastya asked him but Agastya never returned. See MBh 3.102.1–14 (see the word *samaya* in verse 13 in this passage, and compare it to VSS 4.12b):

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yudhisthira uvāca |
kimartham sahasā vindhyah pravrddhah krodhamūrchitah |
etad icchāmy aham śrotum vistareņa mahāmune ||
lomaśa uvāca |
adrirājam mahāśailam merum kanakaparvatam |
udayāstamaye bhānuh pradaksinam avartata ||
tam tu drstvā tathā vindhyah śailah sūryam athābravīt
yathā hi merur bhavatā nityaśaḥ parigamyate |
pradakṣiṇaṃ ca kriyate mām evaṃ kuru bhāskara ||
evam uktas tatah sūryah sailendram pratyabhāsata
nāham ātmecchayā śaila karomy enam pradaksinam |
eșa mārgaḥ pradișto me yenedam nirmitam jagat ||
evam uktas tatah krodhāt pravrddhah sahasācalah |
sūryācandramasor mārgam roddhum icchan paramtapa || 5 ||
tato devāḥ sahitāḥ sarva eva; sendrāḥ samāgamya mahādrirājam |
nivārayām āsur upāyatas tam; na ca sma teṣām vacanam cakāra ||
athābhijagmur munim āśramastham; tapasvinam dharmabhṛtām variṣṭham |
agastyam atyadbhutavīryadīptam; tam cārtham ūcuḥ sahitāh surās te ||
devā ūcuh |
sūryācandramasor mārgam nakṣatrāṇām gatim tathā |
śailarājo vṛṇoty eṣa vindhyaḥ krodhavaśānugaḥ ||
taṃ nivārayituṃ śakto nānyaḥ kaś cid dvijottama |
rte tvām hi mahābhāga tasmād enam nivāraya ||
lomaśa uvāca |
tac chrutvā vacanam viprah surānām śailam abhyagāt |
so 'bhigamyābravīd vindhyam sadāraḥ samupasthitaḥ | 10 | |
mārgam icchāmy aham dattam bhavatā parvatottama
daksinām abhigantāsmi diśam kāryeņa kena cit ||
yāvadāgamanam mahyam tāvat tvam pratipālaya |
nivrtte mayi sailendra tato vardhasva kāmataḥ ||
evam sa samayam kṛtvā vindhyenāmitrakarśana
adyāpi dakṣiṇād deśād vāruṇir na nivartate ||
etat te sarvam ākhyātam yathā vindhyo na vardhate
agastyasya prabhāvena yan mām tvam paripṛcchasi || 14 ||.
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Meru stands by truth. The Vedas abide in truth. Dharma is rooted in truth.

satyam gauh kṣarate kṣīram satyam kṣīre ghṛtam sthitam | satye jīvaḥ sthito dehe satyam jīvaḥ sanātanaḥ || 4:15 ||

The milk a cow yields is truth. Ghee in milk is present as truth. The soul dwells in the body by truth. The eternal soul is truth.

satyam ekena samprāpto dharmasādhananiścayaḥ | rāmarāghavavīryeṇa satyam ekaṃ surakṣitam || 4:16 ||

If truth is obtained by somebody (*ekena*), he will be one for whom Dharma is surely accomplished. By the heroism of Rāma Rāghava, the only truth was well-guarded.

evaṃ satyavidhānasya kīrtitaṃ tava suvrata | sarvalokahitārthāya kim anyac chrotum icchasi || 4:17 ||

Thus have [I] taught the rules of truth to you, O virtuous one, to favour the whole world. What else do you wish to hear?

[yameṣv asteyam (3) — Third Yama-rule: refraining from stealing]

vigatarāga uvāca | na hi tṛptiṃ vijānāmi śrutvā dharmaṃ tavāpy aham | upariṣṭād ato bhūyaḥ kathayasva tapodhana || 4:18 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: I can't have enough of learning about [this teaching of] your[s on] Dharma. Teach me further than this, O great ascetic.

^{4.15} satye in pāda c, which I take as standing for satyena, could also be a mistake for the nominative: 'The soul dwells in the body as truth.'

^{4.16} Or: 'If truth alone (understand: satyena ekena) is obtained, Dharma is surely accomplished.'

^{4.17} Note the syntax of *pādas* ab: a verb meaning 'to tell' with a noun in the genitive. See p. 37. Choosing *etat* instead of the much less well-attested *evam* in *pāda* a would not solve the problem.

^{4.18} It is not inconceivable that *tava* is meant to carry the sense of the ablative ('I can't have enough of learning about Dharma from you').

anarthayajña uvāca | steyaṃ śṛṇv atha viprendra pañcadhā parikīrtitam | adattādānam ādau tu utkocaṃ ca tataḥ param | prasthavyājas tulāvyājaḥ prasahyasteya pañcamam || 4:19 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: Now listen to [my teaching about] stealing, O great Brahmin, which is taught to be of five kinds. Firstly, [listen to] theft, then bribery, cheating with weights, cheating with scales, and the fifth kind, robbery.

dhṛṣṭaduṣṭaprabhāvena paradravyāpakarṣaṇam | vāryamāṇo 'pi durbuddhir adattādānam ucyate || 4:20 ||

When someone's wealth is seized with impudent and wicked intent, it is called theft, even if that fool is prevented [from carrying out the act].

utkocaṃ śṛṇu viprendra dharmasaṃkarakārakam | mūlyaṃ kāryavināśārtham utkocaḥ parigṛhyate | tena cāsau vijānīyād dravyalobhabalāt kṛtam || 4:21 ||

O great Brahmin, listen to bribery, which causes confusion in Dharma. A sum of money taken in order to dismiss a lawsuit is a bribe. Therefore this [also] should be considered as such [i.e., as stealing, because] it is committed out of greed for material goods.

^{4.19} 'Theft' ($adatt\bar{a}d\bar{a}na$): literally 'taking what has not been given.' Note the stem form 'steya in $p\bar{a}da$ f.

^{4.20} My impression is that *prabhāva* in *pāda* a stands for *bhāva*, *duṣṭabhāva* ('vicious') being a common expression. The implications of *vāryamāṇo* in *pāda* c are unclear to me, therefore my translation is tentative. One could consider emending to *vāryamāṇāpi*, possibly suggesting that 'it is a wicked thought (*durbuddhi*) even if suppressed (*vāryamāṇa*).'

^{4.21} Note that mūlyam in pāda c is a conjecture for mūla. It is partly based on a relevant passage in the Mitākṣarā (ad Yājñavalkyasmṛti 2.176cd, or 2.180 in Olivelle 2019), which lists categories of gifts deemed irrevocable and revocable: paṇyasya krītadravyasya yan mūlyam dattam... utkocena kāryapratibandhanirāsārtham adhikṛtebhyo dattam...; [Irrevocable, e.g.:] the price of a commodity, a item sold, when paid... [Revocable, e.g.: a gift] given as a bribe to officials to obstruct or cancel lawsuits...' Note asau in pāda e as an accusative form (for amum or adaḥ). It is not unlikely that tena is a corruption from stena, and the pāda may have originally read stenam tam ca vijānīyād ('he should be known as a thief'), or similar (cf. 4.22c below). M (f. 7r) reads tena steya vijānīyād here.

prasthavyāja-upāyena kuṭumbaṃ trātum icchati | taṃ ca stenaṃ vijānīyāt paradravyāpahārakam || 4:22 ||

Even if someone seeks to support a family by cheating with weights, that person should be regarded as a thief, for he takes away the wealth of others.

tulāvyāja-upāyena parasvārtham hared yadi | cauralakṣaṇakāś cānye kūṭakāpaṭikā narāḥ || 4:23 ||

If someone takes another's belongings by the method of cheating with scales, that person is another kind of a deceitful swindler ($k\bar{u}ta-k\bar{a}patika$), bearing the marks of a thief.

durbalārjavabāleṣu cchadmanā vā balena vā | apahṛtya dhanaṃ mūḍhaḥ sa cauraś cora ucyate || 4:24 ||

If someone, by deceit or by force, seizes the wealth of the weak, the honest, or the simple, that morally corrupt usurper is [nothing but] a thief.

nāsti steyasamaṃ pāpaṃ nāsty adharmaś ca tatsamaḥ | nāsti stenasamākīrtir nāsti stenasamo 'nayaḥ || 4:25 ||

There is no sin equal to stealing; no crime (*adharma*) equal to it. There is no infamy comparable to that of being a thief, and no misconduct comparable to it.

nāsti steyasamāvidyā nāsti stenasamaḥ khalaḥ | nāsti stenasama ajño nāsti stenasamo ʾlasaḥ || 4:26 ||

There is no greater ignorance than stealing. There are no worse rouges than thieves. No one is as deluded as a thief, and none equals him in indolence.

^{4.23} I take *anye* in *pāda* c rather liberally, and as connected to *pādas* ab, because I suspect that this verse introduces one single category, albeit using clumsy syntax.

^{4.24} It is possible that *pāda* d read differently originally, e.g., *sa coraś cora ucyate*, meaning 'that thief is [rightly] called a thief'.

^{4.26} Note the peculiar sandhi in $p\bar{a}da$ c (°sama ajño), which still leaves the $p\bar{a}da$ a sa-vipulā.

nāsti stenasamo dveṣyo nāsti stenasamo 'priyaḥ | nāsti steyasamaṃ duḥkhaṃ nāsti steyasamo 'yaśaḥ || 4:27 ||

There is no one as detestable as a thief, nor anyone so disliked. There is no suffering greater than that caused by stealing, and no disgrace greater than that of theft.

pracchanno hriyate 'rtham anyapuruṣaḥ pratyakṣam anyo haret nikṣepād dhanahāriṇo 'nya-m-adhamo vyājena cānyo haret | anye lekhyavikalpanāhṛtadhanā †anyo hṛtād vai hṛtā† anyaḥ krītadhano 'paro dhayahṛta ete jaghanyāḥ smṛtāḥ || 4:28 ||

Some [thieves] take away [other people's] wealth in disguise, some in broad daylight. Other wicked people seize money from deposits, and some people steal through fraud. Some accumulate wealth by forging documents, others steal from stolen money[?]. Some derive wealth from purchased [children?] (*krīta*). Others usurp another's inheritance[?]. These are considered the vilest of all.

stenatulya na mūḍham asti puruṣo dharmārthahīno 'dhamaḥ yāvaj jīvati śaṅkayā narapateḥ saṃtrasyamāno raṭan | prāptaḥśāsana tīvrasahyaviṣamaṃ prāpnoti karmeritaḥ kālena mriyate sa yāti nirayam ākrandamāno bhṛśam || 4:29 ||

There is no greater fool than a thief, a wicked man devoid of Dharma and financial gain (*artha*). For as long as he lives, he trembles in fear of the king, wailing in distress. Having received his punishment, he

^{4.27} Note how *stena* and *steya* are used interchangeably (or chaotically) in the above passages in the MSS to denote both 'thief' and 'theft/stealing'. The scribe of K_7 ends up writing *stenya* in 4.27e.

^{4.28} Metre (4.28-30): śārdūlavikrīdita. It appears that hriyate in pāda a is to be taken as an active verb (harate). Note also how C_{45} and K_7 read the same here against the other witnesses. Take 'hāriṇo in pāda b as singular and m in 'nya-m-adhamo as a sandhibridge. Alternatively, read as plural: 'hāriṇo 'nya adhamo... The second half of pāda c is difficult to reconstruct. The translation of pāda d is mostly guesswork. Tentatively, I take krīta as krītaka ('a purchased son', see Manu~9.174). dhayahrta makes little sense to me. Florinda De Simini suggested that dhaya might stand for daya, which in turn may stand for daya ('inheritance') metri causa. Lacking any better solution, I supplied these in my translation, marked with question marks. Note also the metrical licence that the last syllable of dhayahrta counts as long.

falls into severe and [in]tolerable hardship, driven by [his] karma. When his time comes, he dies and goes to hell, weeping bitterly.

nītvā durgatikoṭikalpa nirayāt tiryatvam āyānti te

tiryatve ca tathaivam ekaśatikam prabhramya varṣārbudam | mānuṣyaṃ tad avāpnuvanti vipule dāridryarogākulaṃ

tasmād durgatihetu karma sakalam tyaktvā śivam cāśrayet || 4:30 ||

After enduring ten million æons of suffering, he emerges from hell to the state of animal existence. Again, he wanders in animal existence for a hundred and one times ten million years. Thereafter, he attains human birth upon the earth, a realm fraught with poverty and disease. Then abandoning all karmans—the causes of suffering—he seeks refuge in Śiva.

devatvaṃ sāttvikā yānti manuṣyatvaṃ ca rājasāḥ | tiryaktvaṃ tāmasā nityam ity eṣā trividhā gatiḥ ||;

^{4.29} For some time I was wondering if one should accept E's reading stenastulya na mūḍham asti as a metri causa version of stenatulyo na mūḍho 'sti; see a similar case of a nominative ending inside of compound in pāda c. One major concern remained: the accepted reading would be of an edition that rarely emerges as the sole transmitter of the best reading. Another possible solution could be to emend to stenamtulya..., meaning 'there is no bigger foolishness than theft,' but then the second part of pāda a is difficult to connect. In the end, I decided to go for the most widely attested reading (stenatulya), which is unmetrical.

Understand prāptaḥśāsana tīvrasahyaviṣamaṃ in pāda c as prāptaśāsanas tīvram asahyaṃ ca viṣamaṃ prāpnoti. Alternatively, understand tīvrasahya° as duḥṣahya°. The actual reading of C_{94} , prāptaś, lost in the process of normalization and standing in contrast with that of all other MSS that read prāptaḥ, may suggest a doubling of the ś of śāsana metri causa. More likely is that a licence of having a nominative ending inside of a compound is applied here, as may have been the case above in pāda a.

^{4.30} Note the stem form 'kalpa for 'kalpam metri causa in pāda a. In pāda c, tathaivam, or tathaikam, and ekaśatikam are suspect. I understand vipule as vipulāyām, vipulā appearing in Amarakośa 2.1.7 as a synonym of dhātrī, 'earth.' It is difficult to interpret it otherwise. This is still problematic because both human and animal existence takes place on earth, thus, if tiryatva (i.e., tiryaktva) indeed means 'animal existence,' there is no contrast between pādas b and c as regards location. As for tiryaktva, see, e.g., Manu 12.40:

^{&#}x27;Those who possess Goodness become gods; those who possess Vigor become humans; and those who possess Darkness always become animals—that is the threefold course.' (Olivelle 2005, 232.)

It is not unlikely that the original form of dāridryarogākulam was dāridryarogākule, picking up vipule. Note the switch from plural to singular in pāda d (āśrayet).

[yameṣv ānṛśaṃsyam (4) — Fourth Yama-rule: absence of hostility]

aṣṭamūrtiśivadveṣṭā pitur mātuś ca yo dviṣet | gavāṃ vā atither dveṣṭā nṛśaṃsāḥ pañca eva te || 4:31 ||

The one who is hostile towards the eight-formed Siva, he who hurts his mother or father, he who is hostile towards cows or guests: these are the five types of hostile people.

aṣṭamūrtiḥ śivaḥ sākṣāt pañcavyomasamanvitaḥ | sūryaḥ somaś ca dīkṣaś ca dūṣakaḥ sa nṛśaṃsakaḥ || 4:32 ||

Siva, when manifest $(s\bar{a}k s\bar{a}t)$, has eight form, possessing the five elements (vyoman), and the Sun, the Moon, and the sacrificer. Whoever disgraces [any of these] is a hostile person.

pitākāśasamo jñeyo janmotpattikaraḥ pitā | pitrdaivata†m ādiś cam ānrśamsa tamanvitah† || 4:33 ||

I have not been able find any other attestation of *vyoman* meaning the five elements. Perhaps it is meant to mean *vyomādi* ('the atmosphere/sky and the other four elements').

For Śiva of eight forms, see, e.g., Śakuntalā 1.1:

^{4.31} Note *pitur* and *mātur* used as accusative forms in *pāda* b, or rather, understand *pitur mātuś ca γο dveṣṭā*, i.e., *dviṣet* is metri causa for *dveṣṭā*.

^{4.32} Judit Törzsök has suggested emending sa nṛśaṃsakaḥ in pāda d to tannṛṃśakaḥ. I don't think that it is inevitably necessary. I think that pādas a-c form a list that is meant to be in the genitive, understanding: ity eteṣāṃ dūṣakaḥ sa nṛśaṃsakaḥ or similar. This is clumsy but in a way that is more than possible within the style of this text.

^[1] yā sṛṣṭiḥ sraṣṭur ādyā vahati [2] vidhihutam yā havir [3] yā ca hotrī

^[4, 5] ye dve kālam vidhattaḥ [6] śruti-viṣaya-guṇā yā sthitā vyāpya viśvam | [7] yām āhuḥ sarva-bīja-prakṛtir iti yayā prāṇinaḥ prāṇavantaḥ [8]

pratyakṣābhiḥ prapannas tanubhir avatu vas tābhir aṣṭābhir īśaḥ ||.

Here the eight $m\bar{u}rtis$, or rather, tanus, are: [1] jala, [2] agni, [3] $hotr\bar{i}$ ('the form that sacrifices'), [4 + 5] $s\bar{u}rya + candra$, [6] $\bar{a}k\bar{a}sa$, [7] $bh\bar{u}mi$, [8] $v\bar{a}yu$.

For a similar interpretation of aṣṭamūrti, see, e.g., Īśānaśivagurudevapaddhati 2.29.34 (mantrapāda; note yajamāna for our dīkṣa):

kṣmā-vahni-yajamānārka-jala-vāyv-indu-puṣkaraih | aṣṭābhir mūrtibhih śambhor dvitīyāvaraṇam smṛtam ||.

⁽For puṣkara as 'sky, atmosphere', see, e.g., Amarakośa 1.2.167: dyodivau dve striyām abhram vyoma puṣkaram ambaram.)

A closely related Aṣṭamūrti-hymn appears in Niśvāsa mukhasūtra 1.30–41; see Kafle 2020, 62, 63, 116, 119. Kafle adds that this hymn is closely parallel to Prayogamañjarī 1.19–26, Tantrasamuccaya 1.16–23, and Īśānaśivagurudevapaddhati kriyāpāda 26.56–63. See also TAK I s.v. aṣṭamūrti.

The father is to be considered similar to the [element] sky, he is the cause of one's birth. A father is a deity... One should not be hostile...[?].

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pṛthvyā gurutarī mātā ko na vandeta mātaram |
yajñadānatapovedās tena sarvaṃ kṛtaṃ bhavet || 4:34 ||
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The mother is more venerable than the earth. Who would not praise a mother? By that [praise], sacrifices, gifts, austerities and [the study of] the Vedas, all will be completed.

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gāvaḥ pavitraṃ maṅgalyaṃ devatānāṃ ca devatāḥ | sarvadevamayā gāvas tasmād eva na hiṃsayet || 4:35 ||
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Cows are an auspicious blessing, they are the gods of the gods. Cows contain in themselves all the gods. That is exactly why one should not hurt them.

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jātamātrasya lokasya gāvas trātā na saṃśayaḥ |
ghṛtaṃ kṣīraṃ dadhi mūtraṃ śakṛtkarṣaṇam eva ca || 4:36 ||
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Cows are the protectors of the world, as if the world were their new-born [calf]—there is no doubt about it. The collection of [the five products of the cow, the *pañcagavya*, i.e.,] ghee, milk, curd, and [the cow's] urine and dung [is auspicious].

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pañcāmṛtaṃ pañcapavitrapūtaṃ
ye pañcagavyaṃ puruṣāḥ pibanti |
te vājimedhasya phalaṃ labhanti
tad akṣayaṃ svargam avāpnuvanti || 4:37 ||
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^{4.33} It is difficult to restore *pādas* cd, although the general meaning of this line is predictable. Some questions remain. Is *āditya* a good reading or is *mātṛ* hidden in *daivata-mādiśca*? Is *ānṛṣʿaṃṣsa* right or was it *nṛṣʿaṃṣsa* that was meant by the author of this line? Does *tamanvitaḥ* (or *tamānvitaḥ*) has anything to do with *tamas* ('darkness')?

^{4.36} Note the number confusion in the phrase gāvas trātā, for gāvas trātāras. Alternatively, this line might try to echo Harivaṃśa 45.30ab: trātavyāḥ prathamaṃ gāvas trātās trāyanti tā dvijān; 'First the cows should be protected. When protected, they protect the Brahmins'. Pāda c is a sa-viplulā. The use of karsaṇa in pāda d, most probably in the sense of 'collecting,' is slightly odd.

People who drink the five products of the cow, the five nectars, purified by the five Pavitras, will obtain the fruits of a horse sacrifice, and then reach the undecaying heavens.

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gobhir na tulyam dhanam asti kimcid
duhyanti vāhyanti bahis caranti |
tṛṇāni bhuktvā amṛtam sravanti
vipreṣu dattāḥ kulam uddharanti || 4:38 ||
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There is no wealth comparable to cows. They yield milk, bear burdens, and roam beneath the sky. Feeding on grass, they produce nectar. When given to Brahmins, they deliver the family [from saṃsāra or the torments of hell].

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gavāhnikam yaś ca karoti nityam
śuśrūṣaṇaṃ yaḥ kurute gavāṃ tu |
aśeṣayajñatapadānapuṇyam
labhaty asau tām anṛśaṃsakartā || 4:39 ||
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He who feeds the cow daily, he who serves her, he who is kind to her, will obtain the merits of all sacrifices, austerities and gifting.

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atithim yo 'nugaccheta atithim yo 'numanyate | atithim yo 'nupūjyeta atithim yaḥ praśaṃsate || 4:40 ||
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He who looks after a guest, who respects and worships a guest, who praises him,

^{4.37} Metre (4.37–39): *upajāti*. The five *pavitras* can be the five *brahmamantras*, see, e.g., TAK III s.v. *pavitra* 1.

^{4.38} Note that *duhyanti* and *vāhyanti* are supposed to be understood as passive, as in the similar verse in *Śivadharmottara* 12.92 (see apparatus).

^{4.39} Strictly speaking, $p\bar{a}da$ c is unmetrical. The second syllable of $yaj\bar{n}a$ counts as long (see p. 42). Although the accusative with " $kart\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d is still not optimal, my emendation of tam to $t\bar{a}m$ at least restores the metre and improves upon the meaning of the sentence. Alternatively, as suggested by Judit Törzsök, tam could be understood as tad, picking up punyam in $p\bar{a}da$ c, but in this way any reference to cows here is only implied.

^{4.40} Note the peculiar active verb forms anugaccheta and anupūjyeta. On this formation, see a remark about *Niśvāsa mūlasūtra* 2.8 in Goodall et al. 2015, 247: 'We have assumed that pūjyeta is intended to mean pūjayet and is perhaps a contraction of pūjayeta.'

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atithim yo na pīḍyeta atithim yo na duṣyati |
atithipriyakartā yaḥ atitheḥ paricārakaḥ |
atitheḥ kṛtasaṃtoṣas tasya puṇyam anantakam || 4:41 ||
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who does not harm him, who commits no fault towards him, he who keeps him happy, who attends to his needs, and who makes him satisfied—his merits are endless.

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āsanenārghapātreṇa pādaśaucajalena ca |
annavastrapradānair vā sarvaṃ vāpi nivedayet || 4:42 ||
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He should offer [the guest] a seat, a vessel with water-offering, and water for washing his feet, or gifts of food and clothes, or all [of these].

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putradārātmano vāpi yo 'tithim anupūjayet | 
śraddhayā cāvikalpena aklībamānasena ca || 4:43 ||
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He who worships the guest by [offering], with willingness, without hesitation, and with a brave heart, even his own son or wife;

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na pṛcched gotracaraṇaṃ svādhyāyaṃ deśajanmanī |
cintayen manasā bhaktyā dharmaḥ svayam ihāgataḥ || 4:44 ||
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who does not ask [the guest about his] lineage, Vedic affiliation (*caraṇa*), studies, country or birth; and who, with devotion, imagines in his mind that it is Dharma himself who has come to visit—

aśvamedhasahasrāṇi rājasūyaśatāni ca | puṇḍarīkasahasraṃ ca sarvatīrthatapaḥphalam || 4:45 ||

^{4.41} On the form *pīdyeta*, see previous note.

^{4.42} My conjecture in *pāda* a (*°pātreṇa* for *°pādyena*) is inspired by the fact that in the MSS *pāda* b seems to awkwardly repeat what *°pādyena* in *pāda* a signifies.

^{4.43} I analyse $p\bar{a}da$ a as if it read $putrad\bar{a}rair\bar{a}tmano$ ($putrad\bar{a}raih$ being a common expression). Another solution would be to emend to ${}^{\circ}\bar{a}tman\bar{a}$, and thus to include the possibility of sacrificing one's own life for the guest.

For the requirement that one should in certain circumstances part with his wife or son, or his own life, for the benefit of someone else, see VSS 2.38, and the narrative in VSS chapter 12 which tells about a Brahmin giving away his own wife to a guest. Note that in fact VSS 4.44cd below echoes verse 37cd in the above mentioned chapter 12 (see the apparatus).

[such a man will obtain all the fruits of] thousands of Aśvamedha sacrifices and hundreds of Rājasūya sacrifices, a thousand Puṇḍarīka sacrifices and the fruit of [visiting] all the pilgrimage places and [performing] all the austerities.

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atithir yasya tusyeta nṛśaṃsamatam utsṛjet | sa tasya sakalaṃ puṇyaṃ prāpnuyān nātra saṃśayaḥ || 4:46 ||
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He whose guest is satisfied [and] he who can abandon the sentiment of cruelty, will obtain all the merits of the above—there is no doubt about it.

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†na gatim atithijñasya† gatim āpnoti karhacit |
tasmād atithim āyāntam abhigacchet kṛtāñjaliḥ || 4:47 ||
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One will never reach a path that is the path of one who knows his guest.[?] Therefore one should go up to the arriving guest with respectfully joined palms.

saktuprasthena caikena yajña āsīn mahādbhutaḥ | atithiprāptadānena svaśarīraṃ divaṃ gatam || 4:48 ||

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MBh Suppl. 13.14.379–380:
ahany ahani yo dadyāt kapilām dvādasīh samāḥi |
māsi māsi ca satreṇa yo yajeta sadā naraḥ ||
gavām śatasahasram ca yo dadyāj jyeṣṭhapuṣkare |
na taddharmaphalam tulyam atithir yasya tuṣyati ||;
Brahmavaivartapurāṇa 3.44–46:
atithih pūjito yena pūjitāḥ sarvadevatāḥ |
atithir yasya saṃtuṣṭas tasya tuṣṭo hariḥ svayam ||
snānena sarvatīrtheṣu sarvadānena yat phalam |
sarvavratopavāsena sarvayajñeṣu dīkṣayā ||
sarvais tapobhir vividhair nityair naimittikādibhiḥ |
tad evātithisevāyāḥ kalām nārhanti sodaśīm ||.
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^{4.46} The demonstrative pronoun *tasya* in *pāda* c may refer to the guest: 'he will obtain all his [i.e., the guest's] merits,' hinting at some sort of karmic exchange. Nevertheless, I think rather that *tasya* points to the merits one can obtain by the rituals listed in the previous verse. This is suggested by passages such as the following:

^{4.47} Something has gone wrong with *pādas* ab and I am unable to reconstruct the meaning. The translation tries to reflect what is actually transmitted. The line may have begun with something like *nāgatātithyavajña*° ('he who despises a guest that has arrived will not...'). I have accepted *karhacit* for standard *karhicit* in *pāda* b because it is attested in Buddhist texts, see Edgerton 1953, s.v. *karhacid*, and because the readings support it overwhelmingly, unlike in 4.3b above.

By one *prastha* [i.e., a small amount] of coarsely ground grains given to a guest, an extremely wonderful sacrifice was performed, and [a Brahmin] reached heaven [in] his body [i.e., in his mortal form].

nakulena purādhītaṃ vistareṇa dvijottama | viditaṃ ca tvayā pūrvaṃ prasthavārttā ca kīrtitā || 4:49 ||

[This] old [story] of the mongoose is [to be] read in detail [in the *Mahābhārata*], O great Brahmin, and you must know it already. The story of the *prastha* is well-known.

[yameşu damaḥ (5) — Fifth Yama-rule: self-restraint]

dama eva manuṣyāṇāṃ dharmasārasamuccayaḥ | damo dharmo damaḥ svargo damaḥ kīrtir damaḥ sukham || 4:50 ||

Self-restraint is in itself the distilled essence of Dharma for man. Self-restraint is Dharma, self-restraint is heaven, self-restraint is fame, self-restraint is happiness.

damo yajño damas tīrthaṃ damaḥ puṇyaṃ damas tapaḥ | damahīna-m-adharmaś ca damaḥ kāmakulapradaḥ || 4:51 ||

Self-restraint is sacrifice, self-restraint is a pilgrimage-place, self-restraint is merit, self-restraint is religious austerity. If one has no self-restraint,

^{4.48} This verse is a reference to the story related by a mongoose in MBh 14.92–93: A Brahmin who practises the vow of gleaning (uñcha), and his family, receive a guest. They feed the guest with the last morsels of the little food they have. In the end, the guest reveals that he is in fact Dharma (14.93.80cd) and as a reward the family departs to heaven. The noble act of the poor Brahmin and his family is depicted as yielding greater rewards than Yudhiṣṭhira's grandiose horse-sacrifice. (See an analysis of this story in Takahashi 2021.)

We would be forced to accept the reading of E in pāda d (saśarīro) if the expression were in the masculine (divaṃ gataḥ). This would make sense and it would also echo expressions occurring, e.g., in the MBh: 3.164.33cd: paśya puṇyakṛtāṃ lokān saśarīro divaṃ vraja; 14.5.10cd: saṃjīvya kālam iṣṭaṃ ca saśarīro divaṃ gataḥ. It is tempting to emend accordingly, but instead I have retained svaśarīraṃ divaṃ gataṃ, and I interpret it in a general way.

^{4.49} The syntax of *pādas* ab is slightly problematic if we take *adhītam* in its usual sense ('studied through [the teaching of] the mongoose'); the line works better if we take it to mean 'taught,' which is possible. For the story of the mongoose in the *Mahābhārata*, see previous footnote.

one is a sinner (*adharma*), [while] self-restraint yields a multitude of desired objects.

nirdamaḥ kari mīnaś ca pataṅgabhramaramṛgāḥ | tvag jihvā ca tathā ghrāṇā cakṣuḥ śravaṇam indriyāḥ || 4:52 ||

The elephant, the fish, the moth, the bee, and the deer are without self-restraint. The senses are the skin, the tongue, the nose, the eye, and the ear.

durjayendriyam ekaikam sarve prāṇaharāḥ smṛtāḥ | damam yo jayate 'samyag nirdamo nidhanam vrajet || 4:53 ||

Each of these sense faculties are hard to conquer and all are known to be fatal [if unconquered]. If one masters self-restraint in a less than proper way, one remains unrestrained and will die.

mṛge śrotravaśān mṛtyuḥ pataṅgāś cakṣuṣor mṛtāḥ | ghrāṇayā bhramaro naṣṭo naṣṭo mīnaś ca jihvayā || 4:54 ||

In the case of the deer, death comes about because of hearing [when, e.g., hunters use buck grunts]. Moths die because of their eyes [as they are attracted to the light of a lamp]. Bees perish because of their smelling [as they are attracted to smells], fish because of their tongues [when attracted by the bait].

sparśena ca karī naṣṭo bandhanāvāsaduḥsahaḥ | kiṃ punaḥ pañcabhuktānāṃ mṛtyus tebhyaḥ kim adbhutam || 4:55 ||

^{4.51} I suspect that the final *m* in *dhamahīnam* in *pāda* c is a hiatus-filler. Understand *dhamahīno 'dharmaś ca. kāmakulapradaḥ* in *pāda* d is slightly suspect. It may have originally read *sarvakāmapradaḥ* ('fulfilling all desires') or *kulakāmapradaḥ* ('fulfilling the desires of the family'). *Śivadharmaśāstra* 4.28b reads *sarvakāmasukhapradam*, which opens up further possibilities.

^{4.52} Note *kari* for *karī* metri causa, and the end of *pāda* b, "*mṛgāḥ*, which should be treated metrically as if it read "*mṛrigāḥ*.

^{4.53} The only way to make sense of *pādas* cd is to supply and *avagraha* before *samyag*. Otherwise some text may have dropped out here.

^{4.54} My comments in square brackets in the translation are tentative. See a verse from the *Buddhacarita* (11.35) in the apparatus that may have been the inspiration for this verse in the VSS. In Johnston's translation (1936, II. 157): 'For deer are lured to their destruction by songs, moths fly into the fire for its brightness, the fish greedy for the bait swallows the hook; therefore the objects of sense breed calamity.'

The elephant perishes from mere touch, unable to endure being kept in fetters. How much more true this is of those who enjoy all five [senses]! Why then should death come as a surprise to them?

purūravo 'tilobhena atikāmena daṇḍakaḥ | sāgarāś cātidarpeṇa atimānena rāvaṇaḥ || 4:56 ||

Purūravas [perished] by excessive greed, Daṇḍaka by excessive desire, Sagara's sons by excessive pride, Rāvaṇa by excessive haughtiness,

4.55 Mātangalīlā 11.1 may shed some light on elephants dying in captivity: vānyas tatra sukhoṣitā vidhivaśād grāmāvatīrņā gajā baddhās tīkṣṇakaṭū-gravāgbbir atiśugbhīmohabandhādibhih| udvignāś ca manahśarīrajanitair duḥkhair

atīvākṣamāḥ prāṇān dhārayitum ciram naravaśam prāptāḥ svayūthād atha ||.

In Edgerton's translation (1931, 92):

'Forest elephants who dwell there happily and by the power of fate have been brought to town in bonds, afflicted by harsh, bitter, cruel words, by excessive grief, fear, bewilderment, bondage, etc., and by sufferings of mind and body, are quite unable for long to sustain life, when from their own herds they have come into the control of men.'

4.56 We may treat *purūravo* in *pāda* a as a stem form noun or thematised stem, or imagine that the original reading was *purūravā*° with double sandhi: *purūravās ati*° \rightarrow *purūravāti*°.

Pāda a may refer to the following passage in the MBh (1.70.16–18, 20ab): purūravās tato vidvān ilāyāṃ samapadyata | sā vai tasyābhavan mātā pitā ceti hi naḥ śrutam || trayodaśa samudrasya dvīpān aśnan purūravā | amānuṣair vṛtaḥ sattvair mānuṣaḥ san mahāyaśā || vipraiḥ sa vigrahaṃ cakre vīryonmattaḥ purūravā | jahāra ca sa viprāṇāṃ ratnāny utkrośatām ap || [...] tato maharṣibhiḥ kruddhaiḥ śaptaḥ sadyo vyanaśyata |

'The wise Purūravas was born to Ilā, who, as we have heard, was both his mother and his father. The great Purūravas ruled over thirteen islands of the ocean and, though human, was always surrounded by superhuman beings. Intoxicated by his power, Purūravas quarrelled with certain Brahmins and robbed them of their wealth, despite their protests. [...] Therefore, cursed by the great Rsis, he perished.'

See also Buddhacarita 11.15 (Aida = Purūravas): aidas ca rājā tridivam vigāhya nītvāpi devīm vasam urvasīm tām | lobhād ṛṣibhyah kanakam jihīrṣur jagāma nāsam viṣayeṣv atṛptah || In Johnston's translation (1936, II. 152):

'Although the royal son of Idā penetrated the triple heaven and brought the goddess Urvaśī into his power, he was still unsatisfied with the objects of sense and came to destruction in his greedy desire to seize gold from the ṛṣis.' atikrodhena saudāsa atipānena yādavāḥ | atitṛṣṇāc ca māndhātā nahuṣo dvijavajñayā || 4:57 ||

Saudāsa by excessive anger, the Yādavas by excessive drinking, Māndhātṛ by excessive desire, Nahuṣa by contempt for Brahmins,

For Daṇḍa(ka)'s story, see *Rāmāyaṇa* 7.71.31 ff.: Daṇḍa meets Arajā, a beautiful girl, in a forest and rapes her. As a consequence, her father, Śukra/Bhārgava, destroys Daṇḍa's kingdom, which thus becomes the desolate Daṇḍaka-forest.

For two versions of the destruction of Sagara's sons (note the emendation in *pāda* c), who were chasing the sacrificial horse of their father's Aśvamedha sacrifice, and by doing so disturbed Kapila's meditation, and who in turn burnt them to ashes, see MBh 3.105.9 ff. and *Brahmāṇḍapurāṇa* 2.52–53.

As for Rāvaṇa's haughtiness—particularly his choice to be invincible to all beings except humans and the consequences of that choice—one should recall the story of the $R\bar{a}m\bar{a}yana$ and $R\bar{a}vana$'s destruction at the hands of $R\bar{a}ma$ therein.

4.57 Saudāsa (note the sandhi between the two *pādas*), also known as Kalmāṣapāda, hit Śakti, Vasiṣṭha's son, with a whip because the latter did not give way to him, and as a consequence Śakti cursed Saudāsa: Saudāsa had to roam the world as a Rākṣasa for twelve years. See MBh 1.166.1ff.

As for the end of the Yādavas, see the short *Mausalaparvan* of the MBh (Book Sixteen): cursed by the sages Viśvāmitra, Kaṇva and Nārada, and confronted with menacing omens, the Yādavas take to drinking in Prabhāsa and annihilate each other.

Most probably, $atitrṣṇ\bar{a}$ in the MSS stands for $atitrṣṇ\bar{a}t$ (intending $atitrṣṇ\bar{a}y\bar{a}$), and the forms $m\bar{a}ndh\bar{a}to/mandh\bar{a}to$ in C_{45} stand for $m\bar{a}ndh\bar{a}t\bar{a}$ (the nominative of $m\bar{a}ndh\bar{a}tr$). I have corrected these despite the fact that the authors' knowledge about Māndhātṛ's story may derive from $Divy\bar{a}vad\bar{a}na$ 17, where the name sometimes appears to be an a-stem noun ($m\bar{a}ndh\bar{a}ta$). $dvijavaj\bar{n}ay\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d stands for $dvij\bar{a}vaj\bar{n}ay\bar{a}$ metri causa.

Māndhātṛ was born from his father's body: once, being excessively thirsty, his father drank a decoction prepared for ritual purposes and therefore became pregnant with him. Nevertheless, *Buddhacarita* 11.13 suggests that Māndhātṛ himself remained unsatisfied with worldly objects, even after he had obtained half of Indra's throne:

devena vṛṣṭe 'pi hiraṇyavarṣe dvīpān samagrāṃś caturo 'pi jitvā | śakrasya cārdhāsanam apy avāpya māndhātur āsīd viṣayeṣv atṛptiḥ ||. In Johnston's translation (1936, II. 151):

'Though the heavens rained gold for him and though he conquered the whole of the four continents and won half the seat of Śakra, yet Māndhātṛ's longing for the objects of sense remained unappeased.'

Nahuṣa was elevated to the position of Indra for a period of time and he also desired to take Śacī, Indra's wife. Indra instructed Śacī to tell Nahuṣa to harness some Ḥsis to a chariot and use this vehicle to carry Śacī. When Nahuṣa further insulted Agastya, one of the Ḥṣis, the sage cursed him, and Nahuṣa fell from the chariot. See MBh 12.329.35ff and a verse in the *Buddhacarita* (11.14) that comes after the one about Māndhātṛ:

bhuktvāpi rājyam divi devatānām śatakratau vṛtrabhayāt pranaṣṭe | darpān maharṣīn api vāhayitvā kāmeṣv atṛpto nahuṣaḥ papāta ||.

atidānād balir naṣṭa atiśauryeṇa arjunaḥ | atidyūtān nalo rājā nṛgo goharaṇena tu || 4:58 ||

[Mahā]bali perished by excessive gifting, Arjuna by excessive heroism, King Nala by excessive gambling, Nṛga by taking a cow.

damena hīnaḥ puruṣo dvijendra svargaṃ ca mokṣaṃ ca sukhaṃ ca nāsti | vijñānadharmakulakīrtināśa bhavanti vipra damayā vihīnāḥ || 4:59 ||

[For] a person who is without self-restraint, O great Brahmin, there is no heaven, liberation or happiness. O Brahmin, people without self-restraint are the destruction of knowledge, Dharma, family and fame.

ekāhnā nirdaheyam vai śatrūn ity arjuno 'bravīt |

na ca tat kṛtavān eṣa śūramānī tato 'patat ||;

As for Nrga, see MBh 14.93.74:

gopradānasahasrāni dvijebhyo 'dān nṛgo nṛpaḥ |

ekām dattvā sa pārakyām narakam samavāptavān ||;

In Johnston's translation (1936, II. 151):

^{&#}x27;Although he enjoyed sovereignty over the gods in heaven, when Śatakratu hid himself for fear of Vṛtra, and though out of wanton pride he made the great ṛṣis carry him, yet Nahusa fell, being still unsatisfied with the passions.'

^{4.58} *Pāda* a is most probably a reference to Mahābali's promises made to Vāmana that caused his own fall. The ultimate cause of Arjuna' death while the Pāṇḍavas were on the way to the underworld was summarised by Yudhiṣṭhira thus (MBh 17.2.21ab):

^{&#}x27;Arjuna claimed that he could destroy the enemy in one single day. He failed to do so. He was a boaster, that is why he fell.'

King Nala was an expert in the game of dice but once he lost his kingdom to Puṣkara. See, e.g., MBh 3.56.1ff.

^{&#}x27;King Nṛga had donated thousands of cows to the twice-born. By giving away one single cow that belonged to someone else, he fell into hell.'

^{4.59} Metre: $upaj\bar{a}ti$. Note svarga and moksa in $p\bar{a}da$ b: they are usually masculine in standard Sanskrit. The majority of the witnesses suggest that $p\bar{a}da$ c ends in a stem form noun (${}^{\circ}n\bar{a}sa$), although a singular masculine nominative (as in E) may work. This $p\bar{a}da$ is unmetrical, or rather it applies the licence of a word-final short syllable being counted as potentially long (${}^{\circ}dharMA^{\circ}$; see p. 42). Note how $vipr\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d is probably an attempt in some MSS to restore the metre. This $p\bar{a}da$ is also unmetrical, or rather the licence of a word-final short syllable being counted as potentially long is applied again (viPRA).

[yameşu ghṛṇā (6) — Sixth Yama-rule: taboos]

nirghṛṇo na paratrāsti nirghṛṇo na ihāsti vai | nirghṛṇe na ca dharmo 'sti nirghṛṇe na tapo 'sti vai || 4:60 ||

There is no one without taboos either in this or the other world. If one has no taboos, one cannot have Dharma or religious austerity.

parastrīṣu parārtheṣu parajīvāpakarṣaṇe | paranindāparānneṣu ghṛṇāṃ pañcasu kārayet || 4:61 ||

These five should be regarded as taboo: women who are not under one's protection, the wealth of others, taking others' lives, causing harm to others, and [consuming] others' food.

parastrī śṛṇu viprendra ghṛṇīkāryā sadā budhaiḥ | rājñī viprī parivrājā svayoniparayoniṣu || 4:62 ||

Listen, O great Brahmin. The wise should always regard as taboo any woman not under one's protection, [whether she be] a queen, a Brahmin's wife, a wandering religious mendicant, a relative, or of another caste.

parārthe śṛṇu bhūyo 'nya anyāyārtha-m-upārjanam | āḍhaprasthatulāvyājaiḥ parārthaṃ yo 'pakarṣati || 4:63 ||

Listen further, with regards to the wealth of others. [It includes] acquiring wealth through unlawful means, [such as] when someone cheats with weights of one $\bar{a}dha[ka]$ or a prastha, or with scales, to take away another's property.

jīvāpakarṣaṇe vipra ghṛṇīkurvīta paṇḍitaḥ | vanajāvanajā jīvā vilagāś caraṇācarāḥ || 4:64 ||

^{4.62} The translation of *parayoni* ('of another caste'?) in *pāda* d is tentative.

^{4.63} Although 'nya in pāda a could be interpreted several ways (e.g., anye for anyasmin, or taken to be the first element of a compound: anya-anyāyārtha-), I think that bhūyo 'nyat is a fixed expression meaning 'something/anything more.' See, e.g., BhG 7.2cd: yaj jñātvā neha bhūyo 'nyaj jñātavyam avašiṣyate. Understand pāda b as a compound (anyāya-artha-upārjanam). See cheating with scales mentioned in 4.23.

O Brahmin, the wise should regard the taking of life as taboo, [whether it be of] wild or domesticated beings, serpents, plants, or animals.

paranindā ca kā vipra śṛṇu vakṣye samāsataḥ | devānām brāhmanānām ca gurumātātithidvisah || 4:65 ||

And what does causing harm to others comprise? Listen, O Brahmin, I shall tell you briefly. He who is hostile to the gods, Brahmins, the guru, to a mother, or to guests [is one who causes harm to others].

parānneṣu ghṛṇā kāryā abhojyeṣu ca bhojanam | sūtake mṛtake śauṇḍe varṇabhraṣṭakule naṭe || 4:66 ||

As regards the food of others, eating together with people whose food is not to be accepted (*abhojyeṣu*) is taboo—[for example] after a birth or death [in the family], in the case of vendors of alcohol, a family that has lost its caste, or a [member of the] Naṭa [caste of dancers].

^{4.64} In pāda d, I take caraṇācarāḥ as standing for carācarāḥ (cara-acarāḥ) metri causa. Alternatively, it may be understood as caraṇacarāḥ (metri causa), meaning 'those who move on their feet,' perhaps in contrast to snakes (bilaga or bilanga). Neither solution is fully satisfactory. Note also that this pāda involves a small correction.

^{4.65} Note mātā as a stem form in pāda d.

^{4.66} One should probably understand śaunde in pāda c as śaundike, 'a distiller,' or, alternatively, it may be corrupted from ṣandhe, 'a eunuch'; see both in Vāsiṣṭhadharma-sūtra 14.1–3:

athāto bhojyābhojyam ca varņayiṣyāmaḥ| cikitsaka-mṛgayu-puṃścalī-ḍaṇḍika-stenābhiśastar-ṣaṇḍha-patitānām annam abhojyam| kadarya-dīkṣita-baddhātura-soma-vikrayi-takṣa-rajaka-śauṇḍika-sūcaka-vārdhuṣika-carmāvakṛntānām||, etc.

The above passage is translated by Olivelle (1999, 285) as: 'Next we will describe food that is fit and food that is unfit to be eaten [...] The following are unfit to be eaten: food given by a physician, a hunter, a harlot, a law enforcement agent, a thief, a heinous sinner [...] a eunuch, or an outcaste; as also that given by a miser, a man consecrated for a sacrifice, a prisoner, a sick person, a man who sells Soma, a carpenter, a washerman, a liquor dealer, a spy, an usurer, a leather worker...'

In support of reading saṇḍhe, one might consult Manu 3.239: cāṇḍālaś ca varāhaś ca kukkuṭaḥ śvā tathaiva ca | rajasvalā ca ṣaṇḍhaś ca nekṣerann aśnato dvijān ||.
This verse is translated by Olivelle (2005, 120) as:

^{&#}x27;A Cāṇḍāla, a pig, a cock, a dog, a menstruating woman, or a eunuch must not look at the Brahmins while they are eating.'

ete pañcaghṛṇāsu saktapuruṣāḥ svargārthamokṣārthino loke 'nindanam āpnuvanti satataṃ kīrtir yaśo'laṃkṛtam | prajñābodhaśrutiṃ smṛtiṃ ca labhate mānaṃ ca nityaṃ labhed dākṣiṇyaṃ sabhavet sa āyuṣa paraṃ prāpnoti niḥsaṃśayaḥ || 4:67 ||

Those people who stick to the five kinds of taboo [and thus] seek heaven, wealth and liberation, will reach eternal faultlessness in this world, embellished with fame and glory. [A person like that] will obtain wisdom, intelligence, [knowledge of] the Śruti and Smṛti traditions, and honour forever. Kindness will arise and he will obtain an extra long life, no doubt.

[yameşu dhanyaḥ (7) — Seventh Yama-rule: virtue]

caturmaunaṃ catuḥśatruś caturāyatanaṃ tathā | caturdhyānaṃ catuṣpādaṃ pañcadhanyavidhocyate || 4:68 ||

The four cases of observing silence, [victory over] the four enemies, the four sanctuaries, the four meditations, and the four-legged [Dharma] are called the five ways of being virtuous.

caturmaunasya vakṣyāmi śṛṇuṣvāvahito bhava | pāruṣyapiśunāmithyā sambhinnāni ca varjayet || 4:69 ||

I shall tell you about the four cases of observing silence. Listen, be attentive. One should avoid violent and slanderous [words], lies, and idle [talk].

^{4.67} Metre: śārdūlavikrīdita. Understand kīrtir-yaśo° as kīrtiyaśo° ('r' being an intrusive consonant here metri causa), as in 5.20b below. Alternatively, emend to kīrtim yaśo'lamkṛtām. In pāda c, note the krama licence that allows °bodhaśrutim° to scan as - - - , the consonant cluster śr not turning the previous syllable long. Pāda d has several problems. I take sabhavet as standing for sambhavet metri causa, and I had to emend samāyuṣa to sa āyuṣa to make sense of it. Understand āyuṣa as āyuḥ (metri causa), otherwise accept E's sa mānuṣa. Also consider correcting niḥsaṃśayaḥ to niḥsaṃśayam.

^{4.68} Understand pāda d as pañcavidho dhanya ucyate.

^{4.69} Note the genitive with a verb meaning 'to tell' in pāda a, similarly to 1.37a and 4.17ab (see p. 37). Compare the four types of mauna taught here with the five types of maunavrata, as the ninth Niyama-rule, in VSS 8.25–33 below. Similar lists on mauna are often found in Buddhist texts: see references, e.g., in Edgerton 1953 s.v. paiśunika and saṃbhinnapralāpa. See also the relevant Divyāvadāna 186.21, as well as Dharmaputrikā 1.31cd–32ab quoted in the apparatus.

kāmaḥ krodhaś ca lobhaś ca mohaś caiva caturvidhaḥ | catuḥśatrur nihantavyaḥ so 'rihā vītakalmaṣaḥ || 4:70 ||

The fourfold enemy [made up of] desire, anger, greed, and delusion is to be destroyed. He who destroys [these] enemies will become sinless.

caturāyatanaṃ vipra kathayiṣyāmi tac chṛṇu | karuṇā muditopekṣā maitrī cāyatanaṃ smṛtam || 4:71 ||

I shall teach you the four sanctuaries. Listen, O Brahmin. Compassion, sympathy in joy, indifference, and benevolence are the four sanctuaries.

caturdhyānādhunā vakṣye saṃsārārṇavatāraṇam | ātmavidyābhavaḥ sūkṣmaṃ dhyānam uktaṃ caturvidham || 4:72 ||

I shall now teach you the four meditations, which will liberate you from transmigration. Meditation is taught to be fourfold: of the Self, $vidy\bar{a}$, bhava [= Śiva] and the subtle one ($s\bar{u}k\bar{s}ma$).

ātmatattvaḥ smṛto dharmo vidyā pañcasu pañcadhā | sattrimśāksaram ity āhuh sūksmatattvam alaksanam || 4:73 ||

^{4.70} Possible direct sources for the idea that *kāma* is an enemy to be defeated or avoided include *Buddhacarita* 11.17:

cīrāmbarā mūlaphalāmbubhakṣā jaṭā vahanto 'pi bhujaṃgadīrghāḥ | yair nānyakāryā munayo 'pi bhagnāḥ kaḥ kāmasaṃjñān mṛgayeta śatrūn ||. In Johnston's translation (1936, II. 152):

^{&#}x27;Who would seek after the enemies known as the passions, by whom even sages were undone, despite their bark-dresses, their diet of roots and water, their coils of hair long as snakes, and their lack of worldly interests.'

See also BhG 3.37–43 on *kāma* as an enemy. As for *arihā* in *pāda* d, the notion that a saint is a 'destroyer of the enemies' [that are evil states of mind] (*aribanta/arahanta*) in Jainism, but less so in Buddhism, is discussed in Gombrich 2013, 57–58.

^{4.71} This verse teaches the four Buddhist *brahmavihāras* under the label *catur-āyatana*. Therefore the word *āyatana* seems to be a synonym of *vihāra* here, and its use a way of appropriating it, turning the list into a Brahmanical one—unless the two terms are simply mixed up.

^{4.72} Note the stem form $dhy\bar{a}na$ in ° $dhy\bar{a}n\bar{a}dhun\bar{a}$ (for ° $dhy\bar{a}nam$ $adhun\bar{a}$) in $p\bar{a}da$ a.

The *tattva* of the Self is Dharma. *Vidyā* is in the five in a fivefold way. They call the thirty-sixth the imperishable one [Śiva]. The subtle *tattva* has no attributes.

catuṣpādaḥ smṛto dharmaś caturāśramam āśritaḥ | gṛhastho brahmacārī ca vānaprastho 'tha bhaikṣukaḥ || 4:74 ||

The four-legged [bull] is said to be Dharma [as] it rests on the four social disciplines (āśrama), [those of] the householder, the chaste one, the forest-dweller and the mendicant.

dhanyās te yair idam vetti nikhilena dvijottama | pāvanam sarvapāpānām puṇyānām ca pravardhanam || 4:75 ||

Virtuous are those who know these thoroughly, O great Brahmin. [They will experience] the purification of all sins and the growth of merits.

āyuḥ kīrtir yaśaḥ saukhyaṃ dhanyād eva pravardhate | śāntiḥ puṣṭiḥ smṛtir medhā jāyate dhanyamānave || 4:76 ||

One's life-span, fame and glory, and happiness, grow only through virtue (*dhanya*). In a virtuous person peace, prosperity, tradition (*smṛti*) and intelligence will arise.

[yameṣv apramādaḥ (8) — Eighth Yama-rule: avoiding mistakes]

pramādasthāna pañcaiva kīrtayiṣyāmi tac chṛṇu | brahmahatyā surāpānaṃ steyo gurvaṅganāgamam | mahāpātakam ity āhus tatsaṃyogī ca pañcamaḥ || 4:77 ||

^{4.73} This verse is difficult to interpret. *Pādas* a to d should define *ātman*, *vidyā*, *bhava* (i.e., Śiva), and *sūkṣma*, objects of meditation, respectively. In *pāda* a, *dharmo* is suspect: it may be the result of an eyeskip to *pāda* a of the next verse. *Pāda* b might refer to *tattvas* in an ontological system of twenty-five *tattvas*. *Pāda* c seems a reference to a tantric 36-*tattva* ontological system, in striking contrast with the 25-*tattva* system described in VSS chapter 20. Compare the rather similar *dhyānayajña* section in VSS 6.7ff, in which five types of meditations are taught.

^{4.75} Note the ergative syntax with the plural instrumental (*yair*) and a singular active verb. See more on this on p. 35.

^{4.76} Emending °*mānavaḥ* to °*mānave* may risk overcorrection, and °*mānavaḥ* may have originally been felt as a genitive ('for a person...').

There are five areas of making serious mistakes. I shall teach them to you, listen. Murdering a Brahmin, drinking alcohol, stealing, having sex with the guru's wife: they call these grievous sins. The fifth is when one is connected with them [i.e., with these sins or with people involved in these sinful acts].

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anṛtaṃ ca samutkarṣe rājagāmī ca paiśunaḥ |
guroś cālīkanirbandhaḥ samāni brahmahatyayā || 4:78 ||
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A lie concerning one's superiority, a slander that reaches the king's ear, and false accusations against an elder are equal to killing a Brahmin.

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brahmojjham vedanindā ca kūṭasākṣī suhṛdvadhaḥ | garhitānādyayor jagdhiḥ surāpānasamāni ṣaṭ || 4:79 ||
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Abandoning the Vedas, reviling the Vedas, being a false witness, murdering a friend, eating unfit or forbidden food are six [deeds that are] equal to drinking alcohol.

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retotsekaḥ svayonyāsu kumārīṣv antyajāsu ca |
sakhyuḥ putrasya ca strīṣu gurutalpasamaḥ smṛtaḥ || 4:80 ||
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Sexual intercourse with a female relative, with an unmarried girl, with women of the lowest castes, with the wife of a friend or of one's own son are said to be equal to violating the guru's bed.

^{4.77} Note the stem form noun in $p\bar{a}da$ a (*sthāna*) metri causa, and also that this stem form noun may function as a singular noun next to a number (pañca), a frequently seen phenomenon in this text.

See the apparatus to the Sanskrit text for very similar verses in the MBh, Manu and the Yājñavalkyasmṛti, and note how pāda f slightly deviates from Manu 11.55, which is translated in Olivelle 2005, 217–218 as: 'Killing a Brahmin, drinking liquor, stealing, and having sex with an elder's wife—they call these "grievous sins causing loss of caste"; and so is establishing any links with such individuals.'

^{4.78} This verse being a quotation of *Manu* 11.56, my translation is based on Olivelle 2005, 218. On lies and slander (or 'malignant speech,' *piśuna*), see also VSS 4.69 and 8.25–28.

^{4.79} This verse continues quoting *Manu*. *Pāda* a in the witnesses may actually be no more than the result of misreading of the syllable *jjha* in *Manu* 11.57. Note our variant *brahmojjham vedanindā ca*—in contrast with *brahmojjhatā vedanindā*, the better-known phrasing—in both the 'Northern' and 'Southern' transmissions in Olivelle's critical edition of *Manu* (Olivelle 2005, 847).

^{4.80} The text, and my emendation in pāda c, still follow Manu (11.59).

nikṣepasyāpaharaṇaṃ narāśvarajatasya ca | bhūmivajramaṇīnāṃ ca rukmasteyasamaḥ smṛtaḥ || 4:81 ||

Stealing deposits, people, horses, silver, land, diamonds, or gems are said to be equal to stealing gold.

catvāra ete sambhūya yat pāpaṃ kurute naraḥ | mahāpātaka pañcaitat tena sarvaṃ prakāśitam | pañcapramādam etāni varjanīyaṃ dvijottama || 4:82 ||

A man commits sin if [any of] these four [i.e., brahmahatyā, surā-pāna, stena, gurvaṅganāgama] occurs, therefore all the five grievous sins have been explained. These five kinds of mistakes are to be avoided, O great Brahmin.

[yameşu mādhuryam (9) — Ninth Yama-rule: charm]

kāyavānmanamādhuryaś cakṣur buddhiś ca pañcamaḥ | saumyadṛṣṭipradānaṃ ca krūrabuddhim ca varjayet || 4:83 ||

[Charm has five types:] bodily, verbal and mental charm, [charm of] the eyes and [of one's] thoughts, as fifth. Giving [others] a friendly glance [is commendable] and one should avoid cruel thoughts.

prasannamanasā dhyāyet priyavākyam udīrayet | yathāśaktipradānaṃ ca svāśramābhyāgato guruḥ || 4:84 ||

^{4.81} This is *Manu* 11.58. I have emended *rugma*° to *rukma*° in *pāda* d, although *rugma*° is attested in a great number of Southern MSS and one Śāradā MS in Olivelle 2005, 847.

^{4.82} The translation of *pādas* ab is tentative. Perhaps understand *pāda* c as *etan mahāpātakapañcakaṃ*. Note the confusion of number and gender in *pāda* d: understand *pañca pramādāḥ etā varjanīyāḥ*.

^{4.83} My emendation from "manasā dhūryas' to "mana-mādhuryas' is based on the fact that following the list of yamas in 3.16, we need some reference to mādhurya here and that it is easy to see how this corruption came about: "mano-mādhurya" would be unmetrical, hence the form "mana-mādhurya; "mana-mā" is easily corrupted to "manasā" (not to mention the fact that manasā comes up in the next verse). In addition, we need five items in this line because of pañcamaḥ. As always, I correct mādhūrya to mādhurya, although it seems that the former is acceptable in this text. I did not correct mādhuryas to mādhuryam because of the corresponding pañcamaḥ.

One should meditate with a tranquil mind and should speak [to other people using] gentle words. [When] respectable people arrive at one's own hermitage, [one should] present them with as many gifts as one can,

indhanodakadānaṃ ca jātavedam athāpi vā | sulabhāni na dattāni indhanāgnyudakāni ca | kṣute jīveti vā noktaṃ tasya kiṃ parataḥ phalam || 4:85 ||

with gifts of fire-wood, water and fire. [If] fire-wood, fire and water are easily available [but] are not given [as gift] or [if the phrase] 'Live [for a hundred years]!' is not uttered when [somebody] sneezes, what reward could there be for such a person in the afterlife?

[yameşv ārjavam (10) — Tenth Yama-rule: sincerity]

pańcārjavāḥ praśaṃsanti munayas tattvadarśinaḥ | karmavṛttyābhivṛddhiṃ ca pāritoṣikam eva ca | strīdhanotkocavittaṃ ca ārjavo nābhinandati || 4:86 ||

The sages who see the truth praise five types of sincerity. A sincere person does not rejoice in prosperity arising from the operation of karma or by a reward, in riches from women, from property, and bribery.

^{4.84} Pādas cd of the previous verse, and pādas ab of the present one cover four categories of the above: cakṣurmādhurya, buddhimādhurya, dṛṣṭimādhurya and vāg-mādhurya. This suggests that what follows is on kāyamādhurya. Emending pāda d to svāśramābhyāgate gurau would make the line smoother.

^{4.85} Understand *jātavedam* in *pāda* b as *jātavedasam* or *jātavedāḥ*, or rather as belonging to the compound °*dānaṃ*: *jātavedodānaṃ*. For *pāda* e, see an Āryāgīti verse in the *Mahāsubhāṣitasaṃgraha* (2558):

amṛtāyatām iti vadet pīte bhukte kṣute ca śataṃ jīva | choṭikayā saha jṛmbhāsamaye syātāṃ cirāyurānandau ||;

^{&#}x27;When eating or drinking, one should say: "May it turn into nectar!"; and after sneezing: "Live for a hundred years!" By snapping the thumb and forefinger when yawning, there will be long life and happiness.'

^{4.86 °}ārjavāh should be in the accusative, therefore it is to be taken as feminine (rather than neuter) or as an irregular form for °ārjavāni. I have emended pāratoṣikam to pāritoṣikam. My translation of the categories listed here is tentative, the only guiding light being that, if the first line is right, there should be five of them. In addition, I have tried to find categories that seem to be, more or less, in conflict with 'sincerity' or 'straightness.'

ārjavo na vṛthā yajña ārjavo na vṛthā tapaḥ | ārjavo na vṛthā dānam ārjavo na vṛthāgnayaḥ || 4:87 ||

If one is not sincere, sacrifice is in vain. If one is not sincere, austerity is in vain. If one is not sincere, gifting is in vain. If one is not sincere, [sacrificial] fires are in vain.

ārjavasyendriyagrāmaḥ suprasanno 'pi tiṣṭhati | ārjavasya sadā devāḥ kāye tasya caranti te || 4:88 ||

The sense faculties of a sincere person are firm even when he is delighted. The gods are always present in the body of a sincere person.

iti yamapravibhāgaḥ kīrtito 'yaṃ dvijendra iha parata sukhārthaṃ kārayet taṃ manuṣyaḥ | duritamalapahārī śaṅkarasyājñayāste bhavati pṛthivibhartā hy ekachatrapravartā || 4:89 ||

Thus has this section on the Yama-rules been taught, O great Brahmin. Humans should follow them to attain happiness both here and in the other world. By removing the filth of sins, one shall, by Śaṅkara's command, become a ruler of the world, bringing it under a single royal umbrella.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe yamavibhāgo nāmādhyāyaś caturthaḥ ||

Here ends the fourth chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called the Section on the Yama-rules.

^{4.89} Metre: $m\bar{a}lin\bar{\iota}$. In $p\bar{a}da$ a °pra° does not make the previous syllable long: this is the phenomenon of 'muta cum liquida,' or krama licence, one of the hallmarks of the VSS, that is, syllables such as tra, pra, bra, dra do not necessarily make the previous syllable long. In $p\bar{a}da$ b, parata most probably stands for parata or parata metri causa. We may correct it to paratra, presupposing the presence of the krama licence also here. " $malapah\bar{a}r\bar{\iota}$ in the MSS stands either for " $malapah\bar{a}r\bar{\iota}$ or " $malaprah\bar{a}r\bar{\iota}$ metri causa. I could have chosen to emend it to " $malaprah\bar{a}r\bar{\iota}$ again applying the krama licence, but I decided not to because $apah\bar{a}rin$, $apah\bar{a}ra$, $apah\bar{a}raka$ are used in the text very frequently. See also 8.44c, which contains a very similar expression: $sakalamalapah\bar{a}re$ dharmapa $n\bar{\iota}c\bar{a}sad$ etat.

[pañcamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Five]

[niyamāḥ — Niyama-rules]

vigatarāga uvāca |
kathaya niyamatattvaṃ sāmprataṃ tvaṃ viśeṣād
amṛtavacanatulyaṃ śrotukāmo gato 'smi |
prakṛtidahanadagdhaṃ jñānatoyair niṣiktam
apara vada-m-atajjñaṃ nāsti dharmeṣu tṛptiḥ || 5:1 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: Now teach me the true nature of the Niyamarules in detail. I have become desirous to hear [your] teaching that is comparable to ambrosia. Tell [me] more (apara vada), [to me who had been] burnt by the fire of materiality (prakṛti), [but is now] sprinkled with the water of knowledge, and is ignorant of [the topic]. One can't have enough of the [teaching on] Dharmas (nāsti dharmeṣu tṛptiḥ).

anarthayajña uvāca |
śravaṇasukham ato 'nyat kīrtayiṣye dvijendra
niyamakalaviśeṣaḥ pañca pañca prakāraḥ |
hariharamunibhīṣṭam dharmasāraṃ dvijendra
kalikaluṣavināśaṃ prāyamokṣaprasiddham || 5:2 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: I shall teach you something else that is nice to hear, O best of the twice-born. The [ten] individual Niyamas are fivefold [each]. It is the essence of Dharma, dear to Hari, Hara and the sages, O great Brahmin, the destruction of the impurity of the

^{5.1} Metre (5.1–2): *mālinī*. Most witnesses read *amṛtavadana*° in *pāda* b. This is slightly odd in the sense of 'speech,' the meaning required here, therefore I follow M. One wonders if it is not *amṛtasvādana* or "svadana ('tasting nectar') what was meant originally. I translate the phrase in question as if it read *amṛtatulyavacanam*. The first half of *pāda* d is difficult to interpret safely. *apara vada* ('tell me more') might be original, with *apara* in stem form. The phrase *matajñā* is now emended to *-m-atajjñam*, containing a hiatus break. Otherwise it could be understood as *matajñānam* ('knowledge of the doctrine'), or emended to *matajñā* (with the last syllable taken as long) and translated as a vocative ('O knower of the doctrine'). Note M's reading for the end of the line (*me dharmatṛptiḥ*).

Kali age, known as quasi-liberation.

śaucam ijyā tapo dānaṃ svādhyāyopasthanigrahaḥ | vratopavāsamaunaṃ ca snānaṃ ca niyamā daśa || 5:3 ||

Purification, sacrifice, penance, gifting, Vedic study, the restraint of sexual desire, religious observances, fasting, observing silence, and bathing: these are the ten Niyamas.

[niyameşu śaucam (1) — First Niyama-rule: purity]

tatra śaucādinirdeśaṃ vakṣyāmīha dvijottama | śārīraśaucam āhāro mātrā bhāvaś ca pañcamaḥ || 5:4 ||

From among these, now I shall tell you the particulars of the first—purification. [1] Bodily purity, [2] [purity of] food, [3] [purity of] livelihood[?] (*mātrā*), [4] [purity of] character (*bhāva*), and the fifth, [5]...

[śarīraśaucam — Purity of the Body]

tāḍayen na ca bandheta na ca prāṇair viyojayet | parastrīparadravyeṣu śaucam kāyikam ucyate || 5:5 ||

He should not beat, tie or kill [any living being]. [This and] purity concerning others' wives and property is called bodily purity.

^{5.2} My suspicion is that °kala° in pāda b stands for kalā metri causa. Similarly, °munibhīṣṭaṃ is metri causa, for °munyabhīṣṭaṃ ('dear to the sages'). In pāda d, prāya° is suspect. Compare with 6.1c: dharmamokṣaprasiddhyarthaṃ.

^{5.3} See this verse in Lingapurāna 1.8.29cd-30ab and Visnudharmottara 3.233.202.

^{5.4} The following passages deal with śārīraśauca (5.5–9) and āhāraśauca (5.10–16), therefore pāda c is probably correct, and M's reading (śārīrasrotam āhāra) seems wrong. Even if we could interpret pāda d with any certainty, there is one element missing in this list of allegedly five items. Something must have dropped out here. Oddly enough, the chapter stops after teaching the second type of purity, āhāraśauca, so we are left without a clue. MBh Suppl. 14.4.3229–3230, which seems relevant at first sight, is not very helpful either:

manaḥśaucaṃ karmaśaucaṃ kulaśaucaṃ ca bhārata | śarīraśaucaṃ vākśaucaṃ śaucaṃ pañcavidhaṃ smṛtam ||.

^{5.5} Note the application of the *krama* licence in $p\bar{a}da$ c: the first syllable of *dravyeşu* does not make the previous syllable heavy.

śrotraśaucaṃ dvijaśreṣṭha gudopasthamukhādayaḥ | mukhasyācamanaṃ śaucam āhāravacaneṣu ca || 5:6 ||

The cleanliness of the ears, O great Brahmin, and of the anus, the loins, the mouth, etc. [also contributes to bodily purity]. The purity of the mouth [comes from] sipping water before eating and speaking.

mūtraviṣṭāsamutsarge devatārādhaneṣu ca | mṛttoyais tu gudopasthaṃ śaucayīta vicakṣaṇaḥ || 5:7 ||

After the emission of urine and fæces, and before the worship of gods, the wise one should clean his anus and his loins with clay and water.

ekopasthe gude pañca tathaikatra kare daśa | ubhayoḥ sapta dātavyā mṛdaḥ śuddhiṃ samīhatā || 5:8 ||

One [portion of clay] for the loins, five for the anus, ten for one hand, [then] seven [portions] of clay are to be applied for both [hands] by him who wishes cleanliness.

etac chaucam gṛhasthānām dviguṇam brahmacāriṇām | vānaprasthasya triguṇam yatīnām tu caturguṇam || 5:9 ||

This is the purification for the householder (*gṛhastha*). It is twice as much for the chaste one (*bṛahmacāṛin*), three times as much for the forest-dweller (*vānapṛastha*), and four times as much for the ascetic (*yati*).

^{5.7} Note the peculiar verb form śaucayīta (for a more standard śocayeta). M's śaucaye[c] ca may be close to an original reading.

^{5.8} In essence, this verse is *Manu* 5.136. Olivelle's notes (2005, 287) on this verse read: 'on one hand: within the context the meaning is clear: "one hand" refers to the left hand, with which the person applied the earth and water to the penis and anus. All purifications below the navel are carried out using the left hand. Variant reading: "on the left hand."

^{5.9} This verse corresponds to *Manu* 5.137. Note the *krama* licence in *pāda* c: *tr* does not turn the previous syllable heavy and the *pāda* becomes a *na-vipulā*.

[āhāraśaucam — Purity of the food]

āhāraśaucaṃ vakṣyāmi śṛṇuṣvāvahito bhava | bhāgadvayaṃ tu bhuñjīta bhāgam ekaṃ jalaṃ pibet | vāyusaṃcāradānārthaṃ caturtham avaśeṣayet || 5:10 ||

I shall teach you the rules of purity concerning food. Listen, pay great attention. One should eat [as much] food [that fills] two quarters [of the stomach] and drink water [that fills] one quarter. In order to give passage to the air, one should save the remaining quarter.

snigdhasvādurasaiḥ ṣaḍbhir āhāraṣaḍrasair budhaḥ | dhātuvaiṣamyanāśo 'sti na ca rogāḥ sudāruṇāḥ || 5:11 ||

It is through the six soft and sweet juices—the six flavours in food—that the imbalance of the constituents ($dh\bar{a}tu$) disappear and terrible illnesses do not arise for the wise.

The Āyurvedic implications of this clumsy verse are not entirely clear to me. What is clear is that traditionally there are six basic flavours or 'juices' in food. See, e.g. *Bhelasam-bitā* 1.28.1:

yad bhakṣayati bhunkte vā vidhivac cāpi mānavaḥ | anyac ca kiñcit pibati tat sarvam ṣadrasānvitam ||;

'All that a human eats or enjoys according to the rules, and furthermore all that he or she drinks, is endowed with the six flavours.'

To repair *pādas* ab, one should perhaps imagine that the intended meaning was that the six flavours/juices should be present in a harmonious proportion in a wise man's food. Cf. *Bhelasaṃhitā* 3.1.1:

śarīram dhārayantīha ṣaḍrasāḥ samam āhṛtāḥ | ato 'nyathā vikārāms tu janayanti śarīriṇām ||;

^{5.10} Śańkara quotes a similar verse in his commentary ad *Bhagavadgītā* 6.16 (see apparatus). It translates as: 'Half is for saucy food, the third part for water, but in order to be able to move the air, one should leave the fourth part [empty].' This verse and one in the *Sannyāsopaniṣad* (see apparatus) have *saṃcaraṇārthaṃ tu* and *saṃcaraṇārthāya*, respectively, where our verse in the VSS has *saṃcāradānārthaṃ*. It would be tempting to emend but the VSS version works fine more or less, therefore there is no need to alter the text.

^{5.11} The readings may suggest that $p\bar{a}da$ b contains sadrava or maybe sudrava, but then it would be difficult to make sense of the sentence. If the reading budhah is left unaltered, and is taken as an agent, we lack a verb— $\bar{a}b\bar{a}ra$ might be a mistake for $\bar{a}haret$ (see M). I now take budhah as an odd form for the genitive (budhasya), and that is how I translate the sentence. Alternatively, one may emend it to the vocative (budha).

abhakṣyaṃ ca na bhakṣeta apeyaṃ na ca pāyayet | agamyaṃ na ca gamyeta avācyaṃ na ca bhāṣayet || 5:12 ||

He should not eat what is forbidden and he should not drink what is forbidden. He should not go where he is not allowed to and he should not say what is improper.

laśunam ca palāṇḍum ca grñjanam kavakāni ca | gauram ca sūkaram māṃsam varjayec ca vidhānataḥ || 5:13 ||

He should avoid garlic, onion, *gṛñjana* onion, mushrooms, buffalo meat, and pork, in accordance with the rules.

chattrākam viḍvarāham ca gomāmsam ca na bhakṣayet | caṭakam ca kapotam ca jālapādāms ca varjayet | | 5:14 ||

He should not eat *chattrāka* mushrooms, village hog, and cow flesh. He should also avoid sparrows, pigeons, and water-birds.

haṃsasārasacakrāhvakukkuṭān śukaśyenakān | kākolūkaṃ balākaṃ ca matsyādīṃś cāpi varjayet || 5:15 ||

He should also avoid [eating] geese, cranes, *cakravāka* birds, cocks, parrots, and hawks, crows, owls, herons, fish, etc.

amedhyāṃś cāpavitrāṃś ca sarvān eva vivarjayet | śākamūlaphalānāṃ ca abhakṣyaṃ parivarjayet || 5:16 ||

He should avoid everything that is ritually impure or polluted. He should also completely avoid those vegetables, roots and fruits, that are prohibited.

^{&#}x27;The six flavours will support the body in this world when brought to a balanced state. Otherwise they will cause defects to people.' On *dhātuvaiṣamya*, the balanced state of the bodily constituents *pitta*, *kapha* and *vāyu*, see, e.g., *Carakasaṃhitā* 1.9.4:

vikāro dhātuvaisamyam sāmyam prakṛtir ucyate | sukhasamjñakam ārogyam vikāro duḥkham eva ca ||;

^{&#}x27;The imbalance of the *dhātus* means defects. Balance is said to be natural. Health is happiness, defects are suffering.' See also VSS 9.2 below.

^{5.12} Understand the causative *pāyayet* as simplex.

^{5.15} Note that in $p\bar{a}da$ b the first syllable of $\dot{s}yenak\bar{a}n$ does not turn the previous syllable, $\dot{s}u$, heavy (krama licence).

mānaveṣu purāṇeṣu śaivabhāratasaṃhite | kīrtitāni viśeṣeṇa śaucācāram aśeṣataḥ | tvayā jijñāsito 'smy adya saṃkṣiptaḥ kathito mayā || 5:17 ||

In the books of Manu, in the Purāṇas, in Śaiva texts, and in the *Bhāratasaṃhitā* (i.e., the *Mahābhārata*), the practice of purity is expounded thoroughly and in great detail. Since you have asked me [about it], I have taught it [to you] in a condensed form.

satyavādī śucir nityaṃ dhyānayogarataḥ śuciḥ | ahiṃsakaḥ śucir dānto dayābhūtakṣamā śuciḥ || 5:18 ||

He who speaks the truth is always pure. He who engages in yogic meditation is pure. He who avoids violence and is restrained is pure. Compassion towards living beings and patience is purity.

sarveṣām eva śaucānām arthaśaucaṃ paraṃ smṛtam | yo 'rthe hi śuciḥ sa śucir na mṛdvāriśuciḥ śuciḥ | kāyavānmanasāṃ śaucaṃ sa śuciḥ sarvavastuṣu || 5:19 ||

Of all the [ways of] purification, material purification is taught to be the highest. For he who is pure with regards to material things is truly pure, and not the one who [only] uses clay and water [i.e., who performs only ordinary baths]. When purification pertains to the body, to speech and to the mind, he is pure in all respects.

śaucāśaucavidhijñamānava yadi kālakṣaye niścayaḥ saubhāgyatvam avāpnuvanti satataṃ kīrtir yaśo'laṅkṛtam | prāptaṃ tena ihaiva puṇyasakalaṃ saddharmaśāstreritaṃ jīvānte ca paratra-m-īhitagatiṃ prāpnoti niḥsaṃśayam || 5:20 ||

^{5.17} In pāda b, since °saṃhite is not a correct locative of °saṃhitā, instead of emending to śaive bhāratasaṃhite, we may take the compound as a samāhāradvandvasamāsa in the neuter locative. Note the gender and number confusion between kīrtitāni and °ācāram in pādas cd. This and the next verse sound as if the author had been aware of the fact that he left the remaining three categories of purity (see 5.4) unexplained.

^{5.18} My impression is that *dayābhūtakṣamā* in *pāda* d may stand for *bhūtadayā kṣamā* (*bhūtadayā* occurring in 1.7 and 3.27–28), and I translate accordingly.

^{5.19} *Pādas* a-d are quoting *Manu* 5.106 (in most witnesses, unmetrically); it is translated by Olivelle (2005, 144) as: 'Purifying oneself with respect to wealth, tradition tells us, is the highest of all purifications; for the truly pure man is the one who is pure with respect to wealth, not the one who becomes pure by using earth and water.'

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If a person who knows the rules of purity and impurity is determined to destroy aging, he will surely gain attractiveness, eternally embellished with glory and fame. He obtains here in this world all the merits that the books on true Dharma teach, and at the end of his life he will undoubtedly reach the desired path in the other world.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe śaucācāravidhir nāmādhyāyaḥ pañcamaḥ ||

Here ends the fifth chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called the Method of Purification.

^{5.20} Metre: $\dot{sardulavikridita}$. Note the stem form noun " $m\bar{a}nava$ metri causa and the second syllable of yadi as a long syllable at the cæsura in $p\bar{a}da$ a (see M's reading). In place of the plural $\bar{a}pnuvanti$ one would expect a verb in the singular, and $k\bar{i}rtir$ is metri causa for a compounded stem form ($k\bar{i}rtir$) in $p\bar{a}da$ b. Note also the sandhi-bridge -m- in $paratra-m-\bar{i}hita$ ° in $p\bar{a}da$ d. Compare with 4.67b above.

[ṣaṣṭho 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Six]

[niyameṣv ijyā (2) — Second Niyama-rule: sacrifice]

atha pañcavidhām ijyāṃ pravakṣyāmi dvijottama | dharmamokṣaprasiddhyarthaṃ śṛṇuṣvāvahito dvija || 6:1 ||

[Anarthayajña continued:] Now I shall teach you the five types of sacrifice ($ijy\bar{a}$), O excellent Brahmin, for success in Dharma and liberation. Listen carefully, O Brahmin.

arthayajñaḥ kriyāyajño japayajñas tathaiva ca | jñānaṃ dhyānaṃ ca pañcaitat pravakṣyāmi pṛthak pṛthak || 6:2 ||

Material sacrifice, sacrifice through work, sacrifice through recitation, knowledge and meditation: I shall teach you these five one by one.

[arthayajñaḥ — Material sacrifice]

agnyupāsanakarmādi agnihotrakratukriyā | aṣṭakā pārvaṇī śrāddhaṃ dravyayajñaḥ sa ucyate || 6:3 ||

Material sacrifice includes the following: the domestic ritual fire worship etc., the public performance of the ritual of Agnihotra, [and the so-called *pākayajñas* such as] the Aṣṭakā oblation, the Pārvaṇī oblation, and the ancestral ritual (*śrāddha*).

^{6.2} Note the singular etat after a number (see pp. 31ff).

Compare this list of five to the somewhat similar *Bhagavadgītā* 4.28:

dravyayajñās tapoyajñā yogayajñās tathāpare

svādhyāyajñānayajñāś ca yatayaḥ saṃśitavratāḥ ||.

Sivadharmottara chapter three can be also relevant since it uses the terms japayajña, jñānayajña, and dhyānayajña. See also ŚDhU 1.10 (C₉₄ f. 42v l. 4):

karmayajñas tapoyajñaḥ svādhyāyo dhyānam eva ca | jñānayajñaś ca pañcaite mahāyajñāḥ prakīrtitāḥ ||.

Note how this definition of the five *mahāyajñas* in the ŚDhU is different from the one, e.g., in *Manu* 3.69–71 (*brahma*°, *pitṛ*°, *daiva*°, *bhauta*°, and *nṛyajña*).

^{6.3} By somewhat overtranslating the items in this list, I want to emphasise that the text introduces three categories of sacrificial rituals well-known from the time of the

[kriyāyajñaḥ — Sacrifice through work]

ārāmodyānavāpīṣu devatāyataneṣu ca | svahastakṛtasaṃskāraḥ kriyāyajña sa ucyate || 6:4 ||

Sacrifice through work means constructing (*saṃskāra*) a grove, a park, a pond, or a temple with one's own hands.

[japayajñaḥ — Sacrifice through recitation]

japayajñaṃ tato vakṣye svargamokṣaphalapradam | vedādhyayana kartavyaṃ śivasaṃhitam eva ca | itihāsapurāṇaṃ ca japayajñaḥ sa ucyate || 6:5 ||

Next I shall teach you the sacrifice through recitation, the bestower of the fruits of heaven and liberation. One should recite the Vedas, Śaiva collections, Itihāsas and Purāṇas: this is called sacrifice through recitation.

Gṛḥyasūtras and Śrautasūtras: those of the domestic or $aup\bar{a}sana$ fire (gṛhyakarman), the Śrauta rituals such as the Agnihotra, and the Smārta $p\bar{a}kayaj\tilde{n}as$, such as the $astak\bar{a}$, the $p\bar{a}rvan\bar{\iota}$ and the $śr\bar{a}ddha$. For a mention of the $p\bar{a}kayaj\tilde{n}as$ in a manner similar to our $p\bar{a}das$ cd here, see, e.g., a verse in the $D\bar{\iota}ksottara$ quoted in Goodall et al. 2015, 275:

aṣṭakāḥ pārvaṇī śrāddhaṃ śrāvaṇy āgrāyaṇī tathā | caitrī cāśvayujī caiva pākayajňāḥ prakīrtitāḥ || 178 ||.

For an earlier list of pākayajñas, see Gautamadharmasūtra 1.8.19: aṣṭakā pārvaṇaḥ śrāddham śrāvaṇyāgrahāyaṇīcaitryāśvayujīti sapta pākayajñasamsthāḥ.

6.5 Note the stem form *vedādhyayana* in *pāda* c metri causa. There are several possible interpretations for *pādas* d and e: *śivasaṃhitam* could mean 'Śaiva texts and the [Bhārata]saṃhitā,' i.e., the *Mahābhārata* (see 5.17b above: *śaivabhāratasaṃhite*). Alternatively, it may mean 'the collection of Śaiva teachings.' As for *itihāsapurāṇaṃ*, it is most probably a dvandva compound, most probably denoting the *Mahābhārata* (but perhaps not the *Rāmāyaṇa*, contrary to claims such as that, e.g., in Olivelle 2018, 34, n. 6), and the Purāṇas. In case *saṃhitam* in *pāda* d means the *Mahābhārata*, *itihāsapurāṇaṃ* could in general mean 'histories and legends.' In the light of 8.1–6, where *itihāsa* clearly means the *Mahābhārata*, and Purāṇas are mentioned separately, this is unlikely. In my translation, I have left these terms untranslated. For the debate on what *itihāsa* is, see, e.g., Adluri and Bagchee 2011 and Bailey 2018.

Both śivasaṃhitam and itihāsapurāṇaṃ should be interpreted as being part of the compound in pāda c: śivasaṃhitādhyayanaṃ and itihāsapurāṇādhyayanaṃ.

See japayajña mentioned, e.g., in BhG 10.25c (yajñānām japayajño 'smi) and Manu 2.86 (vidhiyajñāj japayajño višiṣṭo daśabhir gunaiḥ).

[jñānayajñaḥ — Sacrifice through knowledge]

idaṃ karma akarmedam ūhāpohaviśāradaḥ | śāstracakṣuḥ samālokya jñānayajñaḥ sa ucyate || 6:6 ||

[He who can decide if] 'this is [proper] action; the other is improper action' because he is knowledgeable about reasoning pro and contra, and conducts investigations with his eyes on the Śāstras, is called [a person performing] sacrifice through knowledge.

[dhyānayajñaḥ — Sacrifice through meditation]

dhyānayajñaṃ samāsena kathayiṣyāmi te śṛṇu | dhyānaṃ pañcavidhaṃ caiva kīrtitaṃ hariṇā purā | sūryaḥ somo 'gṇi sphaṭikaḥ sūkṣmaṃ tattvaṃ ca pañcamam || 6:7 ||

I shall teach you concisely about sacrifice through meditation. Listen to me. Meditation was taught by Hari in the past as of five kinds. [Meditation on] the Sun, the Moon, Fire, Crystal and the subtle *tattva* as fifth.

sūryamaṇḍalam ādau tu tattvaṃ prakṛtir ucyate | tasya madhye śaśiṃ dhyāyet tattvaṃ puruṣa ucyate || 6:8 ||

First it is the Sun [that should be meditated upon], which is said to be *prakṛti-tattva*. He should visualize the Moon in its centre: that *tattva* is said to be *puruṣa*.

^{6.6} For the expression śāstracakṣuḥ, see, e.g., Brahmapurāṇa 24.21: tena yajñān yathāproktān mānavāḥ śāstracakṣuṣaḥ | kurvate 'har ahaś caiva devān āpyāyayanti te ||.

In G. P. Bhatt's translation (1955, 126): 'Day by day men with the sacred scriptures as their guides perform sacrifices in the manner they have been laid down and thereby nourish the gods.'

^{6.7} For an analysis of this fivefold method of meditation, and this ancient-looking *tattva*-system, see p. 18, and compare with VSS 4.72–73, and the similar teaching in VSS 22.19–28 and *Dharmaputrikā* 4.5–14. *Pāda* e is unmetrical, or possibly an exceptional expansion of the *krama* licence, the syllable *spha*° not turning the previous syllable long, and thus making the *pāda* a *na-vipulā*.

^{6.8} Note the thematised form śaśim for śaśinam.

candramaṇḍalamadhye tu jvālām agniṃ vicintayet | prabhutattvaḥ sa vijñeyo janmamṛtyuvināśanaḥ || 6:9 ||

In the centre of the Moon's disk, he should visualise a flame, a fire. That is said to be *prabhu-tattva*, the destroyer of [the circle of] birth and death.

agnimaṇḍalamadhye tu dhyāyet sphaṭika nirmalam | vidyātattvaḥ sa vijñeyaḥ kāraṇam ajam avyayam || 6:10 ||

In the centre of the ring of Fire, he should visualize a spotless crystal. That is said to be *vidyā-tattva*, the never-born, imperishable cause.

vidyāmaṇḍalamadhye tu dhyāyet tattvam anuttamam | akīrtitam anaupamyaṃ śivam akṣayam avyayam | pañcamaṃ dhyānayajñasya tattvam uktaṃ samāsataḥ || 6:11 ||

In the centre of the disk of *vidyā*, he should visualize the highest *tattva*, never-heard, unparalleled, undecaying and imperishable Śiva. The fifth *tattva* of the sacrifice through meditation has been taught in short.

vigatarāga uvāca | ekaikasya tu tattvasya phalaṃ kīrtaya kīdṛśam | kāni lokāḥ prapadyante kālaṃ vāsya tapodhana || 6:12 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: Teach me, what are the fruits of [reaching] each *tattva*? Which worlds can be attained and how much time [can one spend there], O great ascetic?

anarthayajña uvāca | brahmalokaṃ tu prathamaṃ tattvaprakṛticintayā | kalpakoṭisahasrāṇi śivavan modate sukhī || 6:13 ||

^{6.9} Note °tattvaḥ in the masculine in pāda c.

^{6.10} Note the stem form sphațika in pāda b metri causa.

^{6.12} The reading *tritattvasya* in $p\bar{a}da$ a in the MSS is a problem because we have just finished a section mentioning five *tattvas*. (This was probably noticed by E, hence printing *hi* for *tri*°.) My conjecture (tu) is based on the assumption that tri is often written as tr in Nepalese MSS (e.g., in M at this point) and that tr may then easily get corrupted to tu.

Anarthayajña spoke: Through meditation on the first *tattva*, *prakṛti*, [one can reach] Brahmaloka. He will rejoice [there] happily like Śiva for millions of æons.

dvitīyam tattva puruṣaṃ dhyāyamāno mṛto yadi | viṣṇulokam ito yāti kalpakoṭyayutaṃ sukhī || 6:14 ||

If one dies while meditating on the second *tattva*, *puruṣa*, one will depart to Viṣṇuloka from this world, [and will dwell there] happily for billions of æons.

prabhutattvaṃ tṛtīyaṃ tu dhyāyamāno mariṣyati | śivaloke vasen nityaṃ kalpakoṭyayutaṃ śatam || 6:15 ||

Should one die while meditating on the third, the *prabhu-tattva*, one can live in Śivaloka continuously for a hundred billion æons.

vidyātattvāmṛtam dhyāyet sadāśivam anāmayam | akṣayam lokam āpnoti kalpānāntaparam tathā || 6:16 ||

If one visualizes the nectar of *vidyā-tattva*, [i.e.] Sadāśiva, one can reach [His] diseaseless, imperishable world [and can live there] well beyond endless æons.

pañcamaṃ śivatattvaṃ tu sūkṣmaṃ cātmani saṃsthitam | na kālasaṃkhyā tatrāsti śivena saha modate || 6:17 ||

^{6.13} Understand pādas ab as brahmalokam [prānoti] prathamatattvacintayā prakṛtitattvacintayā. One might take prathamam adverbially ('firstly'), but in the next verses, the ordinal numbers (dvitīyam, tṛtīyam, pañcamam) always refer to the tattvas. Pāda a is a na-vipulā if the krama licence is applied and the syllable pra° does not turn the previous syllable long.

^{6.14} Note the stem form *tattva* in *pāda* a metri causa (*na-vipulā*).

^{6.15} E changes *śivaloka* to *rudraloka*, probably for more contrast with *sadāśiva* in 6.16 and *śivatattva* in 6.17. This is not Naraharinath's intervention since K_{41} , a paper MS close to his sources, also reads *rudraloka* (on K_{41} , see p. 72).

^{6.16} In pāda a, amṛta is suspect. It may qualify the world of Sadāśiva ('immortal') and then vidyātattva is in stem form. Alternatively, since this verse is the only one in this list of worlds (6.13–17) without an ordinal number, amṛtaṃ may mean 'four' or possibly 'fourth,' as suggested by Monier-Williams and Apte in their dictionaries. This meaning would fit in nicely. In addition, dying has been mentioned above, thus amṛtaṃ might be a corrupted form of a participle from the verbal root mṛ (mṛyan or maran?): e.g., vidyātattvaṃ mṛyan dhyāyet... ('should he meditation upon Vidyātattva while dying...').

The fifth one, the subtle *śiva-tattva* dwells in the Self. There is no counting of time there and he will be rejoicing [there] together with Śiva.

pañcadhyānābhiyukto bhavati ca na punarjanmasaṃskārabandhaḥ jijñāsyantāṃ dvijendra bhavadahanakaraḥ prārthanākalpavṛkṣo | janmenaikena muktir bhavati kimu na vā mānavāḥ sādhayantu pratyakṣān nānumānaṃ sakalamalaharaṃ svātmasaṃvedanīyam ||6:18||

[If] one practises the five meditations, there will be no rebirth and no more fetters of transmigration. O excellent Brahmin, [the five meditation] should be pursued. [They] burn away existence, wishing trees of desires. Liberation will come within one single birth. Why should people not master [these meditations that] destroy all impurities perceptibly, not only by inference, [since they] are to be experienced by one's own Self.

[niyameşu tapaḥ (3) — Third Niyama-rule: penance]

mānasaṃ tapa ādau tu dvitīyaṃ vācikaṃ tapaḥ | kāyikaṃ ca tṛtīyaṃ tu manovākkarma tatparam | kāyikaṃ vācikaṃ caiva tapo miśraka pañcamam || 6:19 ||

The first type of penance is mental penance, the second is verbal penance, the third is the bodily one, the next one is the one which is [characterised by] both mental and verbal action. The fifth type of penance is a mixture of the bodily and the verbal ones.

manaḥsaumyaṃ prasādaś ca ātmanigraham eva ca |

^{6.17} Pāda c is a ma-vipulā.

^{6.18} Metre: $sragdhar\bar{a}$. Note how a plural passive imperative form $(jij\bar{n}\bar{a}syant\bar{a}m)$ stands for the singular $(jij\bar{n}\bar{a}syat\bar{a}m)$ metri causa, or rather, since probably the five types of meditation are meant, the singulars in $p\bar{a}da$ b are somewhat out of context. Note also that the last syllable of dvijendra (at the cæsura) counts here as long: this phenomenon of a word-ending syllable becoming long by position is common in the VSS (see pp. 42ff). The non-standard janmena in $p\bar{a}da$ d seems superior to $janman\bar{a}$ for it preserves the metre.

^{6.19} The reading $manov\bar{a}kk\bar{a}ya^{\circ}$ ($K_{82}K_{10}$) in $p\bar{a}da$ d is probably secondary, influenced by such common expressions as, e.g., $manov\bar{a}kk\bar{a}yakarmabhih$ in $Y\bar{a}j\tilde{n}avalkyasmrti$ 1.27d. Note the stem form $mi\dot{s}raka$ in $p\bar{a}da$ f metri causa.

maunam bhāvaviśuddhiś ca pañcaitat tapa mānasam || 6:20 ||

Gentleness of the mind, calmness, self-control, observing silence, and the purification of one's state of mind: mental penance comprises these five.

anudvegakarā vāṇī priyaṃ satyaṃ hitaṃ ca yat | svādhyāyābhyasanaṃ caiva vācikaṃ tapa ucyate || 6:21 ||

Verbal penance is taught as speech that causes no anxiety, which is kind, true and useful, and it includes also the practice of recitation.

ārjavaṃ ca ahiṃsā ca brahmacaryaṃ surārcanam | śaucaṃ pañcamam ity etat kāyikaṃ tapa ucyate || 6:22 ||

Bodily penance is taught as follows: honesty, harmlessness, chastity, the worship of gods, and purity as the fifth.

iṣṭaṃ kalyāṇabhāvaṃ ca dhanyaṃ pathyaṃ hitaṃ vadet | manomiśraka pañcaitat tapa uktaṃ maharṣibhiḥ || 6:23 ||

[Penance] which is a mixture of the mental [and the verbal] is taught by the great sages to be these five: he should speak [about things that are] agreeable, of a noble character, virtuous, salutary, and useful.

svasti mangalam āśīrbhir atithigurupūjanam | kāyamiśraka pañcaitat tapa uktam mahātmabhiḥ || 6:24 ||

^{6.20} Again, we can see the use of the singular (etat) next to numbers; note also the stem form tapa in $p\bar{a}da$ d metri causa. This verse is a paraphrase of MBh 3.39.16 (BhG 17.16; see text in the apparatus).

^{6.21} This verse is a variant of MBh 6.39.15 (BhG 17.15; see it in the apparatus). Note that $p\bar{a}da$ a in the Bhandarkar critical edition reads anudvegakaram $v\bar{a}kyam$, and no variants appear in the apparatus. One wonders why our version has the much more problematic feminine ${}^{\circ}kar\bar{a}\ v\bar{a}n\bar{i}$, whose connection to $p\bar{a}da$ b is much more difficult to explain.

^{6.22} This verse seems to be a paraphrase of MBh 6.39.14 (BhG 17.14; see it in the apparatus).

^{6.23} Note the use of the singular (etat) next to a number, and the stem form noun in $p\bar{a}da$ c.

[Penance] in which bodily [and verbal actions] mix is taught by the great-souled ones to be these five: benediction, greetings, blessings, and the worship of the guest and the guru.

maṇḍūkayogī hemante grīṣme pañcatapās tathā | abhrāvakāśo varṣāsu tapaḥsādhanam ucyate || 6:25 ||

[Being] a [so-called] frog-yogin in the winter, or one with the five fires in the summer, or having the clouds [i.e., the open sky] for shelter in the rainy season: these are called accomplishments of penance.

svamāṃsoddhṛtya dānaṃ ca hastapādaśiras tathā | puṣpam utpādya dānaṃ ca sarve te tapasādhanāḥ || 6:26 ||

Carving out his own flesh as a gift, or [offering his own] hand, feet and head, or drawing [his own] blood (*puṣpa*) as gifting: all these are accomplishments of penance,

6.26 Note the stem form *svamāṃsa* in *pāda* a for the accusative. The translation of *pāda* c is tentative, but *puṣpa* as 'blood' does occur in tantric texts (see, e.g., *Siddhayoge-śvarīmata* 16.49). VSS 17.37–38 teaches blood gifting:

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devī uvāca |
svamāṃsarudhiraṃ dānaṃ dānaṃ putrakalatrayoḥ |
kiṃ praśasyaṃ mahādeva tattvaṃ vaktum ihārhasi ||
maheśvara uvāca |
svamāṃsarudhiraṃ dānaṃ praśaṃsanti manīṣiṇaḥ |
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^{6.24} See ŚDhŚ 11.73–79 (and Bisschop et al. 2021, 91–93 and 120–121) for a somewhat similar discussion on 'kind speech.' I take *āśūrbhir* as a separate item primarily because we need five items here.

^{6.25} *Pādas* a and c are *ma-vipulās*. *Manu* 6.23 mentions three kinds of penance that correspond to three seasons:

grīṣme pañcatapās tu syād varṣāsv abhrāvakāśikah | ārdravāsās tu hemante kramaśo vardhayaṃs tapaḥ ||.

It is translated in Olivelle 2005, 149 as: '[He should] surround himself with the five fires in the summer; live in the open air during the rainy season; and wear wet clothes in the winter—gradually intensifying his ascetic toil.' This and ŚDhSaṃgr 9.32ab (quoted in the apparatus) may suggest that being a 'frog-yogin' could be the same as wearing wet clothes or standing in water for a long time. A footnote to MBh 12.309.9 in the Kumbakonam edition of the MBh (Krishnacharya and Vyasacharya 1906–1914; śuklavāsāś ca durvāsāḥ śāyī nityam adhas tathā | maṇḍūkaśāyī ca tathā vīrāsanagatas tathā ||) suggests otherwise: maṇḍūkavat pāṇipādaṃ saṅkocya nyubjaḥ śete iti maṇḍūkaśāyī. ('The word "frog-sleeper" means somebody who sleeps like a frog, with his hands and feet withdrawn and with his back humped.')

kṛcchrātikṛcchraṃ naktaṃ ca taptakṛcchram ayācitam | cāndrāyaṇaṃ parākaṃ ca tapaḥ sāṃtapanādayaḥ || 6:27 ||

[as also] the 'painful penance' and the 'extremely painful one', [eating only] at night, the 'hot and painful' and [the one in which only food obtained] without solicitation [can be eaten], the *cāndrāyaṇa* and *parāka* penances, the *sāmtapana*, etc.

yenedam tapa tapyate sumanasā saṃsāraduḥkhacchidam āśāpāśa vimucya nirmalamatis tyaktvā jaghanyaṃ phalam | svargākānkṣyanṛpatvabhogaviṣayaṃ sarvāntikaṃ tatphalaṃ jantuḥśāśvatajanmamṛtyubhavane tanniṣṭhasādhyaṃ vahet || 6:28 ||

He who performs with a well-disposed mind this penance that puts an end to the suffering caused by transmigration (*saṃsāra*), abandoning the trap of hope, with a spotless mind, giving up the lowest rewards [such as] wishing for heaven and being a king and having enjoyments for the senses, that man will experience the ultimate (*sarvāntika*) reward that in this home of eternal births and deaths accomplishes their cessation.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe ṣaṣṭho 'dhyāyaḥ ||

Here ends the sixth chapter in the Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha.

śrūyatām pūrvavrttāni samksipya kathayāmy aham ||;

^{&#}x27;Devī spoke: Are one's own flesh and blood and one's son and wife praised as donation, O Mahādeva? Tell me the truth please. Maheśvara spoke: The wise praise one's own flesh and blood as donation. Let's hear the old legends, I shall tell you briefly.'

^{6.27} Pāda a is a ma-vipulās. For short descriptions and the loci classici of these penances, see, e.g., Kane 1941–1962, v. 4, 130–152. For nakta/naktānna, see VSS 8.22 below and, e.g., Śivadharmaśāstra chapter ten (Bisschop et al. 2025), and for ayācita, VSS 8.23 below

^{6.28} Metre: śārdūlavikrīḍita. Note my emendation in pāda a (sumanasā from sumanasāḥ) and that in order to restore the metre, I accepted E's stem form tapa. Note the stem form °pāśa in pāda b metri causa.

[saptamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Seven]

[niyameṣu dānam (4) —
Fourth Niyama-rule: gifting]
dānāni ca tathety āhuḥ pañcadhā munibhiḥ purā |
annaṃ vastraṃ hiraṇyaṃ ca bhūmi godāna pañcamam || 7:1 ||

In the past the wise declared that, again, there were five kinds of gifting. The gift of food, clothes, gold, land, and the fifth, the gift of cows.

[annadānam — Gift of food]

annāt tejaḥ smṛtiḥ prāṇaḥ annāt puṣṭir vapuḥ sukham | annāc chrīḥ kānti vīryaṃ ca annāt sattvaṃ ca jāyate || 7:2 ||

From food [come] energy, memory, the vital breath, growth, body, and happiness. From food arise grace and beauty, heroism, and strength.

annāj jīvanti bhūtāni annaṃ tuṣṭikaraṃ sadā | ānnāt kāmo mado darpaḥ annāc chauryaṃ ca jāyate || 7:3 ||

Living beings live on food. Food always satisfies. From food arise desire, rapture, pride, and valour.

annaṃ kṣudhātṛṣāvyādhīn sadya eva vināśayet | annadānāc ca saubhāgyaṃ khyātiḥ kīrtiś ca jāyate || 7:4 ||

Food drives away hunger and thirst and disease instantly. From gifting food arise beauty, fame, and glory.

annadaḥ prāṇadaś caiva prāṇadaś cāpi sarvadaḥ | tasmād annasamaṃ dānaṃ na bhūtaṃ na bhaviṣyati || 7:5 ||

^{7.1} tathety in pāda a is suspicious and my translation of it ('again') is tentative and is supposed to refer back to the fact that all yamas-niyamas so far have been divided into five types. Note how annam, vastram, hiranyam and bhūmi (the latter treated as neuter, or given in stem form) are all meant to go with 'dāna (again, in stem form, metri causa).

^{7.2} Note the stem form noun *kānti* metri causa in *pāda* c.

He who donates food donates life. He who donates life donates everything. Therefore nothing is equal to the gift of food, nothing was, nothing will be.

[vastradānam —
Gift of clothes]
vastrābhāvān manuṣyasya śriyād api parityajet |
vastrahīno na pūjyeta bhāryāputrasakhādibhiḥ || 7:6 ||

In the absence of [proper] clothes, a man will also lose his fortunes. A person without clothes may not be respected by his wife, son, friends, etc.

vidyāvān sukulīno 'pi jñānavān guṇavān api | vastrahīnaḥ parādhīnaḥ paribhūtaḥ pade pade || 7:7 ||

Be he a learned person from a good family or an intelligent and virtuous person, without clothes everybody is subdued and humiliated on every occasion,

apamānam avajūām ca vastrahīno hy avāpnuyāt | jugupsati mahātmāpi sabhāstrījanasaṃsadi || 7:8 ||

for a man without clothes is met with contempt and disrespect. Even a great soul will wish to avoid the court, women, and the assembly.

tasmād vastrapradānāni praśaṃsanti manīṣiṇaḥ | na jīrṇaṃ sphuṭitaṃ dadyād vastraṃ kutsitam eva vā || 7:9 ||

Therefore the wise praise the gift of clothes. One should not give away old, torn or dirty clothes.

^{7.5} See some similar verses from the $\dot{Sivadharmottara}$, the $Mah\bar{a}bh\bar{a}rata$, and the $N\bar{a}radapur\bar{a}na$ in the apparatus.

^{7.6} Pāda b is difficult to interpret securely. I translate it as if reading śrīs tam api parityajet or śriyāpi parityajyate. Consider also Brahmapurāṇa 220.139:

vastrābhāve kriyā nāsti yajñā vedās tapāmsi ca | tasmād vāsāmsi deyāni śrāddhakāle viśeṣataḥ ||;

^{&#}x27;If one has no clothes, there is no ritual, no worship, no Vedas or penance. Therefore clothes should be donated, especially at the time of a Śrāddha ritual.'

navaṃ purāṇarahitaṃ mṛdu sūkṣmaṃ suśobhanam | susaṃskṛtya pradātavyaṃ śraddhābhaktisamanvitam || 7:10 ||

[Clothes] should be donated [only if they are] new, not worn, soft, delicate and beautiful, nicely ornamented, and in good faith and with devotion.

śraddhāsattvaviśeṣeṇa deśakālavidhena ca | pātradravyaviśeṣeṇa phalam āhuḥ pṛthak pṛthak || 7:11 ||

They say that the reward [of gifting] is in every case dependent on the particular [donor's level of] faith and purity, the choice of place and time, and on the particular recipient and material.

yādṛśaṃ dīyate vastraṃ tādṛśaṃ prāpyate phalam | jīrṇavastrapradānena jīrṇavastram avāpnuyāt | śobhanaṃ dīyate vastraṃ śobhanaṃ vastram āpnuyāt || 7:12 ||

The reward received will be similar to the clothes donated. By donating old clothes, one would receive old clothes [as a reward]. By donating beautiful clothes, one would receive beautiful clothes [as a reward].

dadyād vastra suśobhanaṃ dvijavare kāle śubhe sādaraṃ saubhāgyam atulaṃ labheta sa naro rūpaṃ tathā śobhanam | tasmin yāti suvastrakoṭi śataśaḥ prāpnoti niḥsaṃśayaṃ tasmāt tvaṃ kuru vastradānam asakṛt pāratrikotkarṣaṇam || 7:13 ||

Should one bestow very beautiful clothes on a Brahmin at an auspicious time, respectfully, he [i.e. the donor] will receive unequalled attractiveness and a beautiful appearance. When he departs, he will be given hundreds of millions of items of nice clothes, no doubt

^{7.11} It seems that *vidhena ca* stands for *vidhinā ca* or rather *vidhānena* metri causa in *pāda* b.

^{7.12} This teaching sounds slightly surprising if not interpreted as referring to the next life (see next verse).

about that. Therefore do donate clothes often. It is the way up to the other world.

[suvarṇadānam — Gift of gold]

suvarṇadānaṃ viprendra saṃkṣipya kathayāmy aham | pavitraṃ maṅgalaṃ puṇyaṃ sarvapātakanāśanam ||7:14||

O great Brahmin, now I shall teach you about the gift of gold in a concise manner. It is a pure, auspicious and meritorious [act] and it washes off all sins.

dhārayet satatam vipra suvarņakaṭakāngulim | mucyate sarvapāpebhyo rāhuṇā candramā yathā || 7:15 ||

Should one always wear a golden bracelet or ring, O Brahmin, he will be freed of all sins, just as the moon is freed from [the demon] Rāhu [after an eclipse].

dattvā suvarņam viprebhyo devebhyas ca dvijarṣabha | tuṭimātre 'pi yo dadyāt sarvapāpaiḥ pramucyate || 7:16 ||

If a person donates gold to Brahmins or gods, O excellent Brahmin, even if it is only in a minute quantity, he will be freed of all sins.

raktimāṣakakarṣaṃ vā palārdhaṃ palam eva vā | evam eva phalaṃvṛddhir jñeyā dānaviśeṣataḥ || 7:17 ||

^{7.13} Metre: śārdūlavikrīdita. Note the stem form vastra in pāda a metri causa. 'on a Brahmin' (in pāda a): literally, 'on a person who is first among the twice-born' (dvi-javare). The final syllable of saubhāgyam in pāda b counts as long by licence; see, e.g., 5.20 and 6.18b. This time the cæsura is not involved. Understand tasmin yāti in pāda c as tasmin yāte (past participle in a locative absolute construction) metri causa; 'koṭi is treated as neuter or as a stem form (also metri causa).

^{7.15} I suspect that anguli is used in pāda b in the sense of angulīya ('finger-ring').

^{7.16} Pāda a is a ma-vipulā. The form tuṭi as a widespread variant of truṭi, see, e.g., (Old) Skandapurāṇa 27.14:

kāńcanam tuṭimātraṃ vā yo dadyād bahu vā mama | tasya haimavate śṛṅge dadāni gṛḥam uttamam ||.

[The amount can be just] one *rakti*, a *māṣaka*, a *karṣa*, half a *pala* or a *pala*: this is exactly how the increase in the [size of the corresponding] reward will be, in proportion to the properties [i.e., amount] of the gift.

[bhūmidānam — Gift of land]

sarvādhāraṃ mahīdānaṃ praśaṃsanti manīṣiṇaḥ | annavastrahiraṇyādi sarvaṃ vai bhūmisambhavam || 7:18 ||

The wise praise the gift of land as the basis of everything [else]. Food, clothes, gold etc., all these originate in land.

bhūmidānena viprendra sarvadānaphalam labhet | bhūmidānasamam vipra yady asti vada tattvatah || 7:19 ||

O Brahmin, one can obtain all the rewards of gifting by the gift of land. If there is anything that equals the gift of land, O Brahmin, you should definitely tell me.

mātṛkukṣivimuktas tu dharaṇīśaraṇo bhavet | carācarāṇāṃ sarveṣāṃ bhūmiḥ sādhāraṇā smṛtā || 7:20 ||

[Humans] have the earth as their abode as soon as they get out of the mother's womb. Land is said to be common to all that are mobile and immobile.

ekahastam dvihastam vā pañcāśac chatam eva vā | sahasrāyutalakṣam vā bhūmidānam praśasyate || 7:21 ||

Be it [only a plot of land measuring] one forearm, two forearms, fifty or a hundred, a thousand, ten thousand, a hundred thousand, the gift of land is held in great esteem.

ekahastām ca yo bhūmim dadyād dvijavarāya tu | varṣakoṭiśatam divyam svargaloke mahīyate || 7:22 ||

^{7.17} I suspect that *phalam vṛddhir*, or *phalamvṛddhir*, stands for *phalavṛddhir* (*phalasya vṛddhiḥ*) metri causa, meaning 'the increase of the reward.' *rakti*, *māṣaka*, *karṣa*, and *pala* are units of weight.

^{7.20} I take sādhāraṇā as one word, but it is possible that the intention of the author was sā dhāraṇā in two words, in fact meaning sādhāraḥ (sā ādhāraḥ, 'it is the basis').

He who donates [as much as] a piece of land of one forearm to a Brahmin will enjoy a billion divine years in heaven.

evaṃ bahuṣu hasteṣu guṇāguṇi phalaṃ smṛtam | śraddhādhikaṃ phalaṃ dānaṃ kathitaṃ te dvijottama || 7:23 ||

Thus in case of [donating] many forearms [of land], the reward is said to be proportional to the properties [of the land]. O Brahmin, I have taught you about the rewards of gifting that is performed in good faith.

jāmadagnyena rāmeṇa bhūmiṃ dattvā dvijāya vai | āyur akṣayam āptaṃ tu ihaiva ca dvijottama ||7:24||

[Paraśu]rāma, the son of Jamadagni, having donated land to the Brahmin [Kaśyapa], obtained eternal life in this very world, O excellent Brahmin.

^{7.23} I think that $gun\bar{a}guni$, or perhaps $gun\bar{a}guni$ (which would be unmetrical, containing two laghus in both the second and third syllables of the $p\bar{a}da$), should refer to the idea that, e.g., the gift of a plot of land of 2×2 hastas would result in twice, or four times, $koti\hat{s}ata$ years in heaven that the result of gifting only 1×1 hasta land, guna generally meaning 'times.' I take $gun\bar{a}$ ° as referring to the size of the land donated, and 'guni[n] as 'amounting to that many times,' but this is only a guess, and it would need to be supported by some similar passage, other than 7.17 above.

I suspect that *pāda* c is an awkward attempt at saying *śraddhādhikadāna*(*sya*) *phalam*.

^{7.24} See a summary of the corresponding episodes in the MBh in Mani 1975, 570–571, s.v. Paraśurāma:

^{&#}x27;To atone for the sin of slaughtering even innocent Kṣatriyas, Paraśurāma gave away all his riches as gifts to brahmins. He invited all the brahmins to Samantapañcaka and conducted a great Yāga there. The chief Ḥtvik (officiating priest) of the Yāga was the sage Kaśyapa and Paraśurāma gave all the lands he conquered till that time to Kaśyapa. Then a platform of gold ten yards long and nine yards wide was made and Kaśyapa was installed there and worshipped. After the worship was over according to the instructions from Kaśyapa the gold platform was cut into pieces and the gold pieces were offered to brahmins.

When Kaśyapa got all the lands from Paraśurāma he said thus:—"Oh Rāma, you have given me all your land and it is not now proper for you to live in my soil. You can go to the south and live somewhere on the shores of the ocean there." Paraśurāma walked south and requested the ocean to give him some land to live.'

Note that without applying the krama licence $(ca\ dvi^\circ)$, $p\bar{a}da$ d would be iambic and thus metrically problematic.

[godānam — Gift of cows]

hemaśṛṅgām raupyakṣurām cailaghaṇṭām dvijottama | viprāya vedaviduṣe dattvānantaphalam smṛtam || 7:25 ||

[A cow] with golden horns, silver hooves, garment and bell, O Brahmin, when given to a Veda-knowing Brahmin, [produces] rewards that are said to be endless.

[dānapraśaṃsā — Praise of gifting]

dānābhyāsarataḥ pravartanabhavāṃ śakyānurūpaṃ sadā
annaṃ vastrahiraṇyaraupyam udakaṃ gāvas tilān medinīm |
dadyāt pādukachattrapīṭhakalaśaṃ pātrādyam anyac ca vā
śraddhādānam abhinnarāgavadanaṃ kṛtvā mano nirmalam || 7:26 ||

Always rejoicing in the practice of giving, ..., as far as one's capacities go, one should give food, clothes, gold and silver, water, cows, sesame seeds, land, sandals, parasols, seats, jars, cups, or anything else. By giving in good faith (*śraddhādānaṃ kṛtvā*), with words of unconditioned affection, one's mind [becomes] spotless.

dānād eva yaśaḥ śriyaḥ sukhakarāḥ khyātim atulyāṃ labhed dānād eva nigarhaṇaṃ ripugaṇe ānandadaṃ saukhyadam | dānād ūrjayatā prasādam atulaṃ saubhāgya dānāl labhed dānād eva anantabhoga niyataṃ svargaṃ ca tasmād bhavet || 7:27 ||

Glory and fortune, which make one happy, come about only by gifting, and one can [thus] gain unequalled fame. Only from gifting will reproach [exercised by] the enemy [turn into] pleasure and

^{7.25} ksura in $p\bar{a}da$ a is a known variant of the better-attested khura. $P\bar{a}da$ a is unmetrical. $P\bar{a}da$ c is a na-vipul \bar{a} .

^{7.26} Metre (7.26–28): śārdūlavikrīdita. I am unable to interpret pravartanabhavām in pāda a and I suspect that śakyānurūpam in the same pāda stands for śaktyanurūpam metri causa. Understand gāvas in pāda c as plural accusative (for gās). (Oberlies 2003, 2.15 [p. 68]). abhinnarāgavadanam in pāda d is suspect. Perhaps °vandanam was meant ('unconditioned affection and adoration').

happiness. Vigour and unequalled graciousness come from gifting. One can reach attractiveness thought gifting. Endless enjoyments surely come only from gifting, and heaven is [reached] also because of it.

dānād eva ca śakralokasakalaṃ dānāj janānandanaṃ
dānād eva mahīṃ samasta bubhuje samrāḍ mahīmaṇḍale |
dānād eva surūpayonisubhagaś candrānano vīkṣyate
dānād eva anekasambhavasukham prāpnoti nihsamśayam || 7:28 ||

Śakra [conquered] the whole world by gifting only. Gifting makes people happy. Samrāj enjoyed all the land in the world only because of gifting. Skanda appears as handsome and fortunate, and has a good family only because of gifting. One can reach happiness that lasts countless births only through gifting, there is no doubt about that.

^{7.27} I suspect that khyātiś ca tulyam in the MSS stands for khyātim atulyām ('and unequalled fame') and that it is not a clumsy attempt to restore the metre, but rather a later correction gone wrong. I have emended the phrase believing that the second (last) syllable of khyātim may be treated as guru. See the same licence applied in non-anuṣṭubh verses above, e.g., in 5.20a, 6.18b, 7.13b (just before atula). I doubt if E's reading in pāda c, durjayatā ('invincibility') were better than $\bar{u}rjayat\bar{a}$ transmitted in all the MSS consulted. While $\bar{u}rjayat\bar{a}$ is still problematic, it is not inconceivable that it stands for $\bar{u}rjat\bar{a}$ meaning most probably 'being powerful, strength, vigour.' Also, note here the stem form noun saubhāgya metri causa. Note svargam as a neuter noun, and the stem form 'bhoga metri causa in pāda d. The lack of sandhi between eva and ananta' helps restore the metre.

^{7.28 °}lokasakalam in pāda a is suspect and E's silent emendation (°lokam atulam) is not without reason. This line may contain two general statements, the first perhaps saying that even Indra's world can be acquired or reached through gifting. Nevertheless, I suspect that there is a hidden reference to a myth, perhaps that of Dadhīca, who gave his bones to Indra to help him defeat Vṛtra. See VSS 17.47:

dadhīciḥ svatanum dattvā vibudhānām varānane | bhuktvā lokān kramāt sarvān sivaloke pratiṣṭhitaḥ ||;

^{&#}x27;Dadhīci gave the gods his own body, O Varānanā. Enjoying all the worlds in due order, he is now living in Śivaloka.'

One could translate $p\bar{a}da$ b as a general statement ('A universal monarch...), but again I suspect a reference to a specific person (the son of Citraratha by $\bar{U}rn\bar{a}$?) and a specific legend. The perfect form bubhuje, and the next $p\bar{a}da$, at least point to this direction. My translation of $p\bar{a}da$ d is also tentative. I take $sur\bar{u}payonisubhaga$ as $sur\bar{u}pa-suyonisubhaga$. Unfortunately, no relevant specific legend comes to mind. Perhaps the reference is to Brahmā's boon to Tārakāsura, which ultimately led to Skanda's birth.

Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe dānapraśaṃsādhyāyaḥ saptamaḥ ||

Here ends the seventh chapter in the $\it Vrsas\bar{a}rasamgraha$ called Praise of Gifting.

[aṣṭamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Eight]

[niyameşu svādhyāyaḥ (5) — Fifth Niyama-rule: study]

pañcasvādhyāyanam kāryam ihāmutra sukhārthinā | śaivam sāmkhyam purāṇam ca smārtam bhāratasamhitām || 8:1 ||

Five kinds of study are to be pursued by those who wish to be happy in this life and in the other. [One should study] Śaiva [teachings], Sāṃkhya [philosophy], the Purāṇa[s], the Smārta [tradition] and the *Bhāratasamhitā* [i.e., the *Mahābhārata*].

śaive tattvam vicinteta śaivapāśupatadvaye | atra vistarataḥ proktam tattvasārasamuccayam || 8:2 ||

As far as the Śaiva tradition is concerned, he should reflect on the truth in both Śaiva and Pāśupata [teachings]. In those teachings the whole essence of truth is taught extensively.

samkhyātattvam tu sāmkhyeşu boddhavyam tattvacintakaiḥ | pañcatattvavibhāgena kīrtitāni maharsibhih || 8:3 ||

Those who reflect on the truth (*tattva*) can grasp the truth of enumeration [of ontological principles/reality levels] (*saṃkhyātattva*) from Sāṃkhya [texts]. The great sages taught [those twenty-five levels of Sāṃkhya] in a fivefold grouping of *tattvas*.

purāṇeṣu mahīkoṣo vistareṇa prakīrtitaḥ | adhordhvamadhyatiryam ca yatnatah sampraveśayet || 8:4 ||

^{8.1} The form svādhyāyana, for the more standard svādhyayana, does occur in several, typically Buddhist, texts. See, e.g., the Mahāpratisarā-mahāvidyārājñī (Hidas 2011, 153): mahāyānodgrahanalikhanavācanapaṭhanasvādhyāyanaśravaṇadhāraṇā-bhiyuktānāṃ paripālikeyaṃ mahādhāraṇī. Supply an active verb such as adhīyāt/adhīta ('should study') for pādas cd.

^{8.2} The reading śaivaṃ in $p\bar{a}da$ a (K₄₁E) could be smoother than the better attested one (śaive). śaivapāśupatadvaye in $p\bar{a}da$ b is weakly attested but I think that only this reading yields the appropriate meaning. One could also emend to śaivatattvaṃ in $p\bar{a}da$ a; compare 8.3a.

^{8.3} In pāda d, kīrtitāni picks up an implied tattvāni.

In the Purāṇas, it is the layers of the world that are described extensively. [By learning about them], one may indeed enter [the realms] below, above, in the middle, and across.

smārtam varņāśramācāram dharmanyāyapravartanam | śiṣṭācāro 'vikalpena grāhyas tatra aśankitaḥ || 8:5 ||

The Smārta [tradition] deals with the conduct of the social classes (varna) and disciplines $(\bar{a}\acute{s}rama)$, and with Dharmic procedures and lawsuits $(ny\bar{a}ya)$. Good conduct is to be gathered from it without hesitation, with certainty.

itihāsam adhīyānaḥ sarvajñaḥ sa naro bhavet | dharmārthakāmamokṣeṣu saṃśayas tena chidyate || 8:6 ||

A man who studies the Itihāsa [i.e., the *Mahābhārata*] will become omniscient. [All his] doubts about religious duty (*dharma*), financial gain (*artha*), carnal desires (*kāma*), and liberation (*mokṣa*) will be eliminated.

[niyameṣv upasthanigrahaḥ (6) — Sixth Niyama-rule: sexual restraint]

śṛṇuṣvāvahito vipra pańcopasthavinigraham | striyo vā garhitotsargaḥ svayaṃmuktiś ca kīrtyate | svapnopaghātaṃ viprendra divāsvapnaṃ ca pańcamaḥ || 8:7 ||

Listen with great attention, O Brahmin, to the five [spheres of] sexual restraint. Women, forbidden ejaculation, and masturbation are mentioned [in this context, as well as] offence while sleeping, O Brahmin, and fantasising, as fifth.

^{8.4} Note that *tirya* seems to be an acceptable nominal stem in this text for *tiryañc*. I understand the causative form *sampraveśayet* as non-causative. E's silent emendation to *samprabodhayet* is understandable since to 'enter' these realms by the study of the Purāṇas makes little sense, at least when taken literally. Kengo Harimoto has suggested emending to *sampradeśayet*.

^{8.5} Compare pādas ab with 3.15cd: smārto varņāśramācāro yamaiś ca niyamair yutaḥ. The term smārta seems to be used here in the sense of Dharmaśāstra. The avagraha in 'vikalpena' is not to be found in the witnesses and has been supplied. The form aśaṅkitaḥ is less then perfect here, and may have been intended as an ablative (aśaṅkā-taḥ), as suggested by Judit Törzsök, or adverbially (aśaṅkitam), or even more probably as a loosely added subject (for aśaṅkitena).

^{8.6} As it is clear from 8.1d, what is primarily meant by *itihāsa* is the *Mahābhārata*. Compare VSS 6.5.

[striyaḥ— Women]

agamyā strī divā parve dharmapatny api vā bhavet | viruddhastrīṃ na seveta varṇabhraṣṭādhikāsu ca || 8:8 ||

A woman is not to be approached sexually in the daytime and on the four nights of the changes of the Moon (*parvan*), even if she is one's lawful wife. One should not have sex with a woman who is taboo or with one that has lost her class (*varṇa*) or is [of a] superior [*varṇa* than oneself].

[garhitotsargaḥ — Forbidden ejaculation]

ajameṣagavādīnāṃ vaḍavāmahiṣīṣu ca | garhitotsargam ity etad yatnena parivarjayet || 8:9 ||

Intercourse with goats, sheep, cows, mares, and buffalo-cows is called forbidden ejaculation, which is to be avoided at all cost.

[svayaṃmuktiḥ — Masturbation]

ayonikaṣaṇā vāpi apānakaṣaṇāpi vā | svayammuktir iyam jñeyā tasmāt tām parivarjayet || 8:10 ||

^{8.8} Understand parve as parvani (thematisation of the stem in -an).

Compare Manu 11.175 (Olivelle's edition and translation, 2005):

maithunam tu samāsevya pumsi yositi vā dvijah |

goyāne 'psu divā caiva savāsāḥ snānam ācaret ||;

^{&#}x27;If a twice-born has sexual intercourse with a man or a woman in an ox-cart, on water, or during the day, he should bathe with his clothes on.'

Compare also *Manu* 3.45 (Olivelle's edition and translation):

rtukālābhigāmī syāt svadāraniratah sadā |

parvavarjam vrajec cainām tadvrato ratikāmyayā ||;

^{&#}x27;Finding his gratification always in his wife, he should have sex with her during her season. Devoted solely to her, he may go to her also when he wants sexual pleasure, except on the days of the moon's change.'

The nominative ${}^{\circ}str\bar{\imath}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c in most witnesses may be the result of an eyeskip to $str\bar{\imath}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ a. Note how the paper MS is the only one transmitting a fully correct form.

^{8.9} Understand "ādīnām in pāda a as standing for a locative, and "sargam as neuter nominative (instead of "sargah) or, alternatively, understand pāda c with a hiatus bridge: garbitotsarga-m-ity etad.

Rubbing himself against something else than a female sexual organ or rubbing his anus are called masturbation (*svayaṃmukti*), therefore these are to be avoided.

[svapnaghātam —
Offence while sleeping]

svapnaghātaṃ dvijaśreṣṭha aniṣṭaṃ paṇḍitaiḥ sadā | svapne strīṣu ramante ca retaḥ prakṣarate tataḥ || 8:11 ||

Offence while sleeping, O best of Brahmins, has always been [considered] undesirable by the learned. [If] somebody enjoys women in his dream, his semen will issue.

[divāsvapnam — Daydreaming]

divāśayam na kartavyam nityam dharmaparena tu | svargamārgārgalā hy etāḥ striyo nāma prakīrtitāḥ || 8:12 ||

Lying down in the daytime [and fantasising] should always be avoided by those who are intent on Dharma. Women are called 'the bolts [that block the gate to] the path to heaven.'

^{8.10} The conjecture in pāda a (ayoni° from anyonya°) involves minimal intervention and makes the sentence much more meaningful than the transmitted version. (Consider also ayonya°.) Compare Manu 11.174 (Olivelle's edition and translation):

amānuṣīṣu puruṣa udakyāyām ayoniṣu

retah siktvā jale caiva krcchram sāmtapanam caret ||;

^{&#}x27;If someone ejaculates his semen in non-human females, in a man, in a menstruating woman, in any place other than the vagina, or on water, he should perform the Sāntapana penance...'

The variant $str\bar{\imath}$ for $t\bar{a}m$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d in E may be an example of silent interventions made by Naraharinath in his edition.

^{8.12} It is not clearly explained why 'sleeping by day' or 'lying down in the daytime' should count as one of the offences against sexual restraint. A line, perhaps mentioning fantasising about women, may have dropped out here. *Pādas* cd are clumsy and out of context, especially *etāḥ* ('these [women]'), which I left untranslated. This line would fit verse 8.8 better.

[niyameṣu vratapañcakam (7) — Seventh Niyama-rule: religious observances]

mārjārakabakaśvānagomahīvratapañcakam |

[mārjārakavratam —

Cat observance

svaviṣṭhamūtraṃ bhūmīṣu chādayed dvijasattama | sūryasomānumodanti mārjāravratikeṣu ca || 8:13 ||

[Hear about] the five religious observances [called] the cat, the heron, the dog, the cow, and the earth. He buries his own urine and fæces in the ground, O truest Brahmin. [Practitioners] rejoice [seeing] the sun and the moon, and fellow practitioners of the cat observance.

[bakavratam — Heron observance]

bakavac cendriyagrāmaṃ suniyamya tapodhana | sādhayec ca manastuṣṭiṃ mokṣasādhanatatparaḥ || 8:14 ||

O great ascetic, one should suppress all one's senses like a heron, and should cultivate the peace of the mind, focusing on achieving liberation.

^{8.13} Note "viṣṭha" for viṣṭhā metri causa in pāda c (ma-vipulā). Alternatively, read svaviṣṭhāmūtra bhūmīṣu (pathyā with stem form noun). Note the stem form sūryasoma for sūryasomau (sūryasomāv anu") in pāda e. It is not entirely clear why cats would rejoice seeing the Sun and the Moon. Perhaps this remark refers to the fact that cats can be active both in the daytime and at night. Unfortunately, the 'cat-vow' (baidālavrata) described in Manu 4.195 seems unrelated: 'A man who always displays the banner of righteousness and yet is greedy and deceitful, who deludes the world, who is given to violence, and who beguiles everybody should be viewed as one who observes the "cat-vow" (Olivelle 2005, 134).

^{8.14} Cranes are compared to ascetics here probably because of the similarity of their posture when relaxing standing on one leg to ascetics performing penance standing on one leg (such as the ascetic, and a cat, depicted on the famous relief in Mahabalipuram). More specifically, herons apply 'meditation,' so to say, when fishing, as Olivelle (2005, 298) points out commenting on *Manu* 7.106a (*bakavac cintayed arthān*), quoting Bhāruci's explanation ad loc.: 'Just as naturally in order to catch a mass of fish who are safe in their water-fort the "heron" finds an effective means to take them by employing meditation, after dedicating himself to the task, so the king should not be despondent realizing that if one employs abundant thought on one's affairs even aims very difficult to achieve are attained'; (*yathā abdurgāśrayam matsyabalam svabhāvatas tad*-

[śvānavratam — Dog observance]

mūtraviṣṭhe na bhūmīṣu kurute dhunadaṃ sadā | tuṣyate bhagavān śarvaḥ śvānavratacaro yadi || 8:15 ||

[In this case the practitioner] does not [bury] his urine and fæces in the ground, and he barks constantly. Lord Śarva [i.e., Śiva] is satisfied when one practises the dog observance.

[govratam — Cow observance]

mūtravarco na rudhyeta sadā govratiko naraḥ | bhīmas tuṣṭikaraś caiva purāṇeṣu nigadyate || 8:16 ||

A man practising the cow observance should never hold back his urine and fæces. This is a terrifying [observance] that gives satisfaction, [as] stated in the Purāṇas.

grahaṇārthaṃ bakaḥ paryupāsanayā tadgrahaṇopāyaṃ dhyānayogād āsādayati, evam arthacintābhiyogātiśayena suduṣprāpā apy arthā āsādyanta iti matvā na nirvedaṃ gacchet |). Unfortunately, the 'heron-vow' (bakavrata) described in Manu 4.196 seems unrelated: 'A twice-born who goes around with downcast eyes but is cruel, given to furthering his own ends, crooked, and being falsely sanctimonious, is a man who is observing the "heron-vow" (Olivelle 2005, 134).

8.15 *dhunadaṃ* ('barking'?) in *pāda* b may not be the intended form; perhaps understand *dhunanaṃ* (related to *dhvanana*), or emend to *dhvananaṃ*. A possible explanation for Śiva being satisfied with an ascetic practising this observance is that Śiva's Bhairava form often has a dog as his mount. See, e.g., Bakker 2014, 232–233 on a 5-6th-century image of Bhairava and a dog carved in rock at Mundeśvarī Hill not far from Vārāṇasī.

The so-called dog observance has ancient roots. Its practitioner, the kukkuravatika appears in Majjhimanikāya 2.1.7, in the Kukkuravatiyasutta, alongside with a practitioner of the govrata (govatika), an observance that comes up in the next verse in the VSS: evam me sutam. ekam samayam bhagavā koliyesu viharati haliddavasanam nāma koliyānam nigamo. atha kho puṇṇo ca koliyaputto govatiko, acelo ca seniyo kukkuravatiko yena bhagavā tenupasankamiṃsu... See more on this in Acharya 2013, 127–128. Acharya summarises the Kukkuravatiyasutta thus: 'The Kukkuravatiyasutta from the Majjhimanikāya (II.1.7) presents a govatika together with a kukkuravatika. They are observing their vows, and have adopted the behaviour of a bull and a dog respectively. The Buddha tells them that as they are cultivating bullness and dogness, the state of mind of these animals, they will go to hell or become reborn as animal. They are alarmed at this and take refuge in the Buddha.' See also Selva 2019, especially pp. 337ff, for arguments about the Vedic and Pāśupata roots of animal observances, and reflections on Acharya's observations.

8.16 I prefer reading *bhīma* and *tuṣṭi*° as two separate words, the first one either in

[mahīvratam — Earth observance]

kuddālair dārayanto 'pi kīlakoṭiśataiś citaḥ | kṣamate pṛthivī devī evam eva mahīvrataḥ || 8:17 ||

Splitting [the earth] with spades and laid out on hundreds of pointed wedges: Goddess Earth bears [this] patiently. This is exactly how one can practise the earth vow.

stem form $(C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7P_{57})$ or as *bhīmas* $(C_{02}K_{10}E)$ or *bhīmam* (em.), to reading these two words as a compound because of the following *caiva*. I suspect that both *bhīma* and *tuṣṭikara* refer to the *vrata*, rather than its practitioner, but I have not emended *bhīmas* tuṣṭikaraś to *bhīmaṃ tuṣṭikaraṃ* because *vrata* appears as a masculine noun, e.g., in 8.17d below.

Acharya (2013, 116–118) gives a number of significant clues about the origins of this observance. After exploring its links to Pāśupatas, he quotes Jaiminīyabrāhmaṇa 2.113, which contains the phrase yatra yatrainam viṣṭhā vindet tat tad vitiṣṭheta, in Acharya's translation: 'Wherever he feels the urge to evacuate fæces, right there he should evacuate.' This is an instruction in a Vedic text that is close to what the VSS teaches above. Incidentally, the Jaiminīyabrāhmaṇa adds: tena haitenottaravayasy e[va] yajeta (translated by Acharya as: 'One should perform this [sacrifice] in the final years of one's life').

8.17 While $d\bar{a}rayanto$, as an active participle in the masculine nominative, is acceptable as an irregular form, the precise interpretation of $p\bar{a}das$ a and b remains problematic. My translation of this verse is therefore tentative, and the description seems too condensed to be fully intelligible. Kengo Harimoto has suggested that C_{02} and E might preserve the correct reading, in which case the reference would be to soil piled up by millions of insects ($k\bar{\iota}takot\iota^{\circ}$), rather than to points of wedges ($k\bar{\iota}lakot\iota^{\circ}$). Nevertheless, I now think that the reference could be Bhīṣma's dying scene in the MBh, where the great warrior is lying on a bed of hundreds of arrows: sa śete śaratalpastho medinīm aspṛṣ̄aṃs tadā: 'Then he lay there on his bed of arrows, without touching the ground' (MBh 6.115.8ab). The word cita is used in a similar context in MBh 12.47.4ab: vikīrṇāmśur ivādityo bhīṣmaḥ śaraśataiś citaḥ: 'Bhīṣma, laid on a hundred arrows, was like the Sun with its scattered rays of light.'

If this interpretation of VSS 8.17 is correct, the observance described here may require The reference to the Earth in *pāda* c may have been inspired by lines such as MBh one to dig the ground, set up wedges, and lie upon them, in the manner of fakirs. 6.115.11cd: *rarāsa pṛthivī caiva bhīṣme śāṃtanave hate*: 'The Earth cried out when Bhīṣma, the son of Śaṃtanu, was killed.'

In *Bhaviṣyapurāṇa* 4.121, called 'The Description of eighty-five observances' (*vratapañcāśītivarṇana*), we find this on *mahīvrata*:

dadyāt trimśatpalād ūrdhvam mahīṃ kṛtvā tu kāmcanīm | kulācalādrisahitām tilavastrasamanvitām || 152 || tiladroņopari gatām brāhmaṇāya kuṭuṃbine | dinaṃ payovratas tiṣṭhed rudraloke mahīyate || 153 || etan mahīvrataṃ proktaṃ saptakalpānuvartakam |.

vratapañcakam ity etad yaś careta jitendriyaḥ | sa cottamam idaṃ lokaṃ prāpnoti na ca saṃśayaḥ || 8:18 ||

He who practises these five religious observances with his senses subdued will, without doubt, reach this superior world [i.e. heaven?].

[niyameṣv upavāsaḥ (8) — Eighth Niyama-rule: eating restrictions]

śeṣānnam antarānnam ca naktāyācitam eva ca | upavāsam ca pañcaitat kathayiṣyāmi tac chṛṇu || 8:19 ||

Eating leftovers, [not] eating in-between [breakfast and dinner], eating [only] at night, eating food obtained without solicitation, and fasting: listen, I shall teach you these five.

[śeṣānnam — Eating leftovers]

vaiśvadevātithiśeṣaṃ pitṛśeṣaṃ ca yad bhavet | bhṛṭyaputrakalatrebhyaḥ śeṣāśī vighasāśanaḥ || 8:20 ||

[He who eats] the leftovers belonging to all the gods, to guests, and to the ancestors, he who eats the leftovers (seṣāsin) of servants, sons and wives, is [called in general] the one who consumes the remains of food (vighasāśana).

A tentative translation of this passage would go as follows: 'One should donate a golden [model of the] Earth weighing more than thirty palas (approx. one kilogram), depicting the chief mountain-ranges, together with [the gift of] sesame seeds and clothes—the sesame seeds [weighing] more than a droṇa (approx. ten kilograms)—to a householder Brahmin. One should keep the milk-observance [i.e., subsisting on nothing but milk] for one day, and one will enjoy delight in Rudraloka. This is called the Earth Observance whose range is seven æons.' (I take the values for weights from Olivelle 2005, 997.) Matsyapurāṇa 101.52 gives similar instructions, as do the descriptions of the dharāvrata and the śubhadvādaśī observances in Kane 1941–1962, v. 5, 321 and 429. The VSS's mahīvrata seems different, however, and more in line with the somewhat transgressive and wild—perhaps Pāśupata-oriented—nature of the four preceding observances.

^{8.18} Note the neuter *idaṃ* picking up the normally masculine *lokaṃ* in *pāda* c, and that the same *idaṃ* would make more sense if the interlocutor were a deity, e.g., Śiva, referring to his abode, and not Anarthayajña, the ascetic. Perhaps emend to *paraṃ*, as suggested by Florinda De Simini.

^{8.19} Note how this category of *niyama*-rules was called *upavāsa* ('fasting') in 5.3c above but how in fact *upavāsa* is just the fifth subcategory withing this group of eating restrictions.

^{8.20} Pāda a is a sa-vipulā.

antarānnam —

[Not] eating in-between breakfast and dinner]

antarā prātarāśī ca sāyamāśī tathaiva ca | sadopavāsī bhavati yo na bhunkte kadācana | | 8:21 | |

If he fasts between breakfast and dinner, he will be regarded as one who is always fasting.

[naktānnam —
Eating [only] at night]

na divā bhojanaṃ kāryaṃ rātrau naiva ca bhojayet | naktavele ca bhoktavyaṃ naktadharmaṃ samīhatā || 8:22 ||

One should eat neither in the daytime nor in the evening, one should eat [only] at midnight $(naktavel\bar{a})$ if he wishes to follow the practice of [eating only at] night (naktadharma).

[ayācitānnam —

Eating food obtained without solicitation]

anārabhya ya āhāraṃ kuryān nityam ayācitam | parair dattam tu yo bhuṅkte tam ayācitam ucyate || 8:23 ||

He who consumes food without ever initiating [the gifting], without asking for it, and eats [only] that which has been given by others is called [one who eats] unsolicited [food].

[upavāsaḥ — Fasting]

bhakṣyaṃ bhojyaṃ ca lehyaṃ ca coṣyaṃ peyaṃ ca pañcamam | na kānkṣen nopayuñjīta upavāṣaḥ sa ucyate || 8:24 ||

^{8.21} My translation here follows the parallel verse in the MBh and Ganguli's (1883–1896) rendering. The syntax of the version here in the VSS is less smooth than that in the MBh, and the VSS's reading *prāntarāšī* definitely required emendation.

^{8.22} Note °vele for °velāyāṃ in pāda c. On naktabhojana, see Śivadharmaśāstra chapter ten (Bisschop et al. 2025).

^{8.23} anārambhasya ('of someone who has not yet started/initiated') in $p\bar{a}da$ a seems suspect, hence my conjecture (anārabhya ya) that involves minimal intervention and yields better sense. I take ayācitam in $p\bar{a}da$ b adverbially. Note the accusative with the passive in $p\bar{a}da$ d (tam... ucyate).

Chewable and unchewable food, food to be sipped or sucked or drunk, as the fifth [category]: if one does not long for and does not consume [any of the above], that is called fasting (*upavāsa*).

[niyameşu maunavratam (9) —
Ninth Niyama-rule: observing silence]
mithyāpiśunapāruṣyatīkṣṇavāg apralāpanam |
maunapañcakam ity etad dhārayen niyatavrataḥ || 8:25 ||

One who is steady in his religious observances should observe silence with regards these five: deceitful speech, malignant speech, insult, abusive speech, and banter.

[mithyāvacanam — Deceitful speech]

asambhūtam adṛṣṭaṃ ca dharmāc cāpi bahiṣkṛtam | anarthāpriyavākyaṃ yat tan mithyāvacanaṃ smṛtam || 8:26 ||

Fictitious [speech], [speech about] unknown [things], [speech about things] outside the range of Dharma, meaningless and unfriendly speech: these are called deceitful speech.

[piśunaḥ — Malignancy]

paraśrīm nābhinandanti parasyaiśvaryam eva ca | aniṣṭadarśanākānkṣī piśunaḥ samudāhṛtaḥ || 8:27 ||

^{8.24} For a detailed discussion of the categories *bhakṣya*, *bhojya*, *lehya* and *coṣya*, see Kafle 2020, 245, n. 534. See also *Śivadharmottara* 8.13:

bhakṣyaṃ bhojyaṃ ca peyaṃ ca lehyaṃ coṣyaṃ ca picchilam | iti bhedāḥ ṣaḍannasya madhurādyāś ca ṣaḍguṇāḥ ||.

^{8.25} $p\bar{a}rusya$ seems to be the correct reading in $p\bar{a}da$ a, as opposed to C_{02} 's $sam-bhinn\bar{a}$, because in the following a short section on the category of $p\bar{a}rusya$ is coming up (in 8.28). As far as the readings $sprstav\bar{a}g$ and $prstav\bar{a}g$ are concerned, I suppose $prstav\bar{a}g$ is not inconceivable (as suggested by Judit Törzsök), for in 8.29 it is, in a way, questions that are given as relevant examples. Another possibility, as suggested by Kengo Harimoto, could be $mrs\bar{a}v\bar{a}g$ ('lying'), although this does not fully fit the corresponding examples. All in all, I conjectured $t\bar{t}ksmav\bar{a}g$ here, relying on 8.29. As it will become clear below, $apral\bar{a}pa$ stands for $asatpral\bar{a}pa$ ('prattling about untrue things'). Compare the five types of maunavrata taught here with the four types of mauna, as part of the seventh Yamarule, in VSS 4.68–69 above.

One who does not rejoice in others' fortune or in others' power, one who would like to see something disadvantageous [for others] is called somebody utters malignant speech.

[pāruṣyam — Insult]

mṛta mātā pitā caiva hānisthānam katham bhavet | bhunkṣva kāmam amṛṣṭānām pāruṣyam samudāhṛtam || 8:28 ||

'[May your] mother and father be dead! How come you fail? Enjoy the love of unclean women!' [These are] called insult.

> [tīkṣṇavāk — Verbal abuse]

hṛdi na sphuṭase mūḍha śiro vā na vidāryase | evamādīny anekāni tīkṣṇavādī sa ucyate || 8:29 ||

'[Why] don't you burst in your heart, stupid? [Why] don't you break your head?' [If one utters] these or similar [curses], he is said to be engaging in verbal abuse.

[asatpralāpaḥ — Banter]

dyūtabhojanayuddham ca madyastrīkatham eva ca | asatpralāpah pañcaitat kīrtitam me dvijottama || 8:30 ||

Stories about gambling, food, fights, drinking, and women are five [examples of] banter. [Thus] have I taught [reasons for observing silence], O excellent Brahmin.

^{8.27} Note the plural form *abhinandanti* in $p\bar{a}da$ a presumably only for metrical reasons.

^{8.28} Understand *mṛta* as a stem form noun for, presumably, *mṛtā*. My translation of *pāda* b, or rather of the whole verse, is tentative. I am not at all certain that I understand correctly what these abusive phrases imply. Should we read *hā niṣṭhā na katham bhavet* ('Oh how could [you] avoid death?') in *pāda* b? Alternatively, should we emend to *sthānisthānaṃ kathaṃ bhavet* ('How come you have such a high position?').

^{8.30} I take °katham in pāda b as an alternative nominative form of °kathā metri causa and as belonging to all the categories here thus: dyūtakathā, bhojanakathā, yudhakathā, madyakathā, strīkathā. There are various definitions of asatpralāpa, of which the most useful for understanding this verse is perhaps Simhabhūpāla's (Rasārņa-

maunam eva sadā kāryaṃ vākyasaubhāgyam icchatā | apāruṣyam asambhinnaṃ vākyaṃ satyam udīrayet || 8:31 ||

Those who long for eloquent speech should always observe silence. One should speak true words without insult and idle talk.

yas tu maunasya no kartā dūṣitaḥ sa kulādhamaḥ | janme janme ca durgandho mūkaś caivopajāyate || 8:32 ||

He who does not observe silence is defiled and is the black sheep of the family. For a number of rebirths, [his mouth] will stink and he will become mute.

tasmān maunavrataṃ sadaiva sudṛḍhaṃ kurvīta yo niścitaṃ vācā tasya alaṅghyatā ca bhavati sarvāṃ sabhāṃ nandati | vaktrāc cotpalagandham asya satataṃ vāyanti gandhotkaṭāḥ śāstrānekasahasraśo giri naraḥ proccāryate nirmalam || 8:33 ||

Therefore the speech of a person who observes silence always [at the proper time], firmly, with resolution, will become inviolable and [it will cause] everybody in the assembly to rejoice, and the fragrance of lotuses [and other kinds of] rich fragrances will constantly blow from his mouth. Thousands of faultless śāstras will be declared in the words of this person.

vasudhākara 3.382–383): asambaddhakathālāpo 'satpralāpa itīritaḥ ('Relating incoherent stories is called asatpralāpa.') This is illustrated with an incoherent and illogical verse from the play Vīrabhadravijṛmbhaṇa. It is possible that what the author of this section in the VSS had in mind was boasting about these categories or boastful speech while engaging in activities in connection with them.

Note the use of the singular next to a number in $p\bar{a}da$ c and understand me in $p\bar{a}da$ d as $may\bar{a}$. The latter usage appears in the epics, see Oberlies 2003, 102–103 (4.1.3).

^{8.32} The form *janme* for *janmani* often occurs in Śaiva tantras as a typically Aiśa phenomenon. See, e.g., *Niśvāsa nayasūtra* 1.86a and *Brahmayāmala* 45.8b, 452a, 559a. Thematisation of stems in *-an* occurs also in the epics, see Oberlies 2003, 88 (3.10).

^{8.33} Metre: śārdūlavikrīdita. Note the krama licence in °vratam: the last syllable of mauna° counts as light. In pāda b, understand nandati in a causative sense, or accept the reading sarvā sabhā. To make sense of pāda d, we are forced to take śāstra as a stem form noun and naraḥ as a (regular) genitive from nṛ. (I thank Judit Törzsök for this interpretation.)

[niyameşu snānam (10) — Tenth Niyama-rule: bathing]

snānam pañcavidham caiva pravakṣyāmi yathātatham | āgneyam vāruṇam brāhmyam vāyavyam divyam eva ca || 8:34 ||

And now I shall teach you the five kinds of bathing as they really are: the fire bath, water bath, Vedic bath, wind bath, and divine bath.

[āgneyaṃ snānam — Fire bath]

āgneyaṃ bhasmanā snānaṃ toyāc chataguṇaṃ phalam | bhasmapūtaṃ pavitraṃ ca bhasma pāpapraṇāśanam || 8:35 ||

Fire bath is [performed] with ashes. [Its] fruits are a hundred times bigger than [those of a] water [bath]. [For anything] cleaned with ashes is pure. Ashes destroy sin.

tasmād bhasma prayuñjīta dehināṃ tu malāpaham | sarvaśāntikaraṃ bhasma bhasma rakṣakam uttamam || 8:36 ||

Therefore one should use ash for it purifies humans of their defilement. Ashes yield appearement for everyone. Ash is the ultimate protector.

bhasmanā tryāyuṣaṃ kṛtvā brahmacaryavrate sthitam | bhasmanā ṛṣayaḥ sarve pavitrīkṛtam ātmanaḥ || 8:37 ||

^{8.34} For a similar set of five types of baths, see, e.g., *Parāśarasmṛti* 12.9–11: snānāni pañca puṇyāni kīrtitāni manīṣibhiḥ | āgneyam vārunam brāhmam vāyavyam divyam eva ca || 9 ||

agneyam varuṇam brahmam vayavyam divyam eva ca | | 9 || āgneyam bhasmanā snānam avagāhya tu vāruṇam |

āpo hi stheti ca brāhmam vāyavyam gorajah smṛtam || 10 ||

yat tu sātapavarṣeṇa tat snānaṃ divyam ucyate | tatra snātvā tu gaṅgāyāṃ snāto bhavati mānavaḥ || 11 ||.

Similar passages are to be found, e.g., in *Padmapurāṇa* 1.47.4ff, *Revākhaṇḍa* 177.6ff, and in a citation attributed to Bhṛgu in Maskari's commentary ad *Gautamadharmasūtra* 2.14.

Drawing [the sectarian marks on their foreheads while reciting] the Tryāyuṣa [mantra], observing chastity, all the sages purified themselves with ashes.

bhasmanā vibudhā muktā vīrabhadrabhayārditāḥ | bhasmānuśamsam drstvaiva brahmanānumatih krtā || 8:38 ||

The gods, afflicted by their fear of Vīrabhadra, were set free with the help of ashes. Seeing the glory of ashes, Brahmā consented [to the use of this otherwise impure substance].

8.37 Note *tryāyuṣa* in the sense of the three *puṇḍra*-lines on the forehead and compare with 11.28c. Understand *sthitam* in *pāda* b as *sthitāḥ* if we are to connect this line to the next. Understand *pavitrīkṛtam* as *pavitrīkṛtvantah*. The reference here may be to

a story in which Kaśyapa and other Rsis are burnt to ashes, to be later reanimated by Vīrabhadra, in the Śokara forest. See *Padmapurāna* 5.107.1–14ff: śucismitovāca | kaśyapam jamadagnim ca devānām ca purā katham | rarakṣa bhasma tad brahman samācakṣva mune mama || 1 || dadhīca uvāca | kaśyapādiyutā devāḥ pūrvam abhyāgaman girim | śokaram nāma vikhyātam girimadhye suśobhanam || 2 || stuvantah keśavam tatra gatāh sma giriśeśvaram | dṛṣṭvā tatra mahājvālām praviṣṭāś ca vayam ca tām || 5 || mām ekaṃ tu tiraskṛtya hy adahad devatā munīn | māṃ dadāha tataḥ paścād bhasmībhūtā vayaṃ śubhe || 6 || asmān etādṛśān dṛṣṭvā vīrabhadraḥ pratāpavān | kenāpi kāraṇenāsau gatavān parvataṃ ca tam || 7 || bhasmoddhūlitasarvāngo mastakasthasivaḥ śuciḥ | ekākī niḥspṛhaḥ śānto hāhāśabdam athāśṛṇot | 8 | | atha cintāparaś cāsīn mriyamāṇaśavadhvaniḥ | śavānām iva gandhaś ca drśyate tannirīkṣaṇe | 9 | iti niścitya manasā jagāmāgnim atiprabham | sa vahnir vīrabhadram ca dagdhum ārabdhavān atha || 10 || tṛṇāgnir iva śānto 'bhūd āsādya salilaṃ yathā | tato 'parām mahājvālām vīrabhadras tu drstavān || 11 || kham gacchantīm mahākālo įvālām nipatitām api | manasā cintayac cāpi vīrabhadraḥ pratāpavān || 12 || sarvesām nāśinī įvālā prāninām śatakotiśah tat sarvam rakṣaṇārtham hi pipāsuś cāpy aham tv imām || 13 || prāśnāmi mahatīm įvālām salilam tṛṣito yathā | etasminn antare vīram vāg āha cāśarīriņī | 14 ||. 8.38 The verse may refer to the destruction of Daksa's sacrifice, after which the gods

caturāśramato 'dhikyaṃ vrataṃ pāśupataṃ kṛtam | tasmāt pāśupataṃ śreṣṭhaṃ bhasmadhāraṇahetutaḥ || 8:39 ||

[Thus] the Pāśupata observance was created, which ranks above [the system of] the four disciplines (āśrama). Therefore the Pāśupata [observance] is the best because it involves carrying ashes [on one's body].

[vāruņaṃ snānam — Water bath]

vāruņam salilam snānam kartavyam vividham naraiḥ | nadītoyatadāgeṣu prasraveṣu hradeṣu ca || 8:40 ||

A water bath (*vāruṇa*) is to be performed with water in different ways by [different] people, in the water of rivers, in water tanks, streams, and ponds.

[brāhmyaṃ snānam — Vedic bath]

brahmasnānam ca viprendra āpohiṣṭham vidur budhāḥ | trisamdhyam eva kartavyam brahmasnānam tad ucyate || 8:41 ||

The wise know the Vedic bath (*brahmasnāna*) as [the one performed with the Vedic mantra beginning with] *āpo hi ṣṭhā*, O excellent Brahmin. It is to be performed at the three junctures of the day [dawn, noon, and evening]. It is called the Vedic bath.

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were relieved. See [Old] Skandapurāṇa 180.1–4ab (in which our pāda b is echoed):
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sanatkumāra uvāca |

brahmādyā devatā vyāsa dakṣayajñavadhe purā |

śankaram śaranam jagmur vīrabhadrabhayārditāh || 1 ||

gaņendreņābhiyuktās tu bhasmakūţāni bhejire |

yadā bhasma praviṣṭās te tejaḥ śāṅkaram uttamam || 2 ||

abhavan te tadā raudrāḥ paśavo dīkṣitā iva |

bhasmābhasitagātrāṇāṃ śaṅkaravratacāriṇām || 3 ||

svam yogam pradadau teṣām tadā deva umāpatiḥ |.

^{8.39} One could simply accept the reading of C_{02} (°hetunā) in pāda d, but all other rejected readings hint at an original hetutah (as remarked by Judit Törzsök).

^{8.40} The reading vividham in $p\bar{a}da$ b seems to be the lectio difficilior as opposed to the rejected vidhivat.

^{8.41} The Rgvedic mantra starting with apo hi stha (RV 10.9.1-3) is traditionally

[vāyavyaṃ snānam — Wind bath]

goṣu saṃcāramārgeṣu yatra godhūlisambhavaḥ | tatra gatvāvasīdeta snānam uktaṃ manīṣibhiḥ || 8:42 ||

He should go where dust rises among the cows on the roads where they roam, and he should sit down there. This is [also] called a bath, [namely the *vāyavya* or wind-bath].

[divyaṃ snānam — Heavenly bath]

varṣatoyāmbudhārābhiḥ plāvayitvā svakāṃ tanum | snānaṃ divyaṃ vadaty eva jagadādimaheśvaraḥ || 8:43 ||

One should immerse one's own body in the water-showers of rain. The first and foremost Lord (*maheśvara*) of the universe declares this as the heavenly bath.

iti niyamavibhāgaḥ pañcabhedena vipra nigadita tava pṛṣṭaḥ sarvalokānukampya | sakalamalapahārī dharmapañcāśad etan na bhavati punajanma kalpakoṭyāyute 'pi || 8:44 ||

Thus has the section on the Niyama-rules, which you asked about, been taught, in divisions of five [sub-categories to each], O Brahmin, to favour the whole world. These fifty Dharmic [teachings] wipe off all defilement. There will be no rebirth [for one who follows these rules], not even in millions of æons.

associated with *mārjana* ('cleaning, wiping'). According to Kane (1941–1962, v. 4, 120), a Brahmin 'should bathe thrice in the day, should perform *mārjana* (splashing or sprinkling water on the head and other limbs by means of *kuśas* dipped in water after repeating sacred mantras) with the three verses 'apo hi sthā' [sic] (Rg. X.9.1–3) [...]' This suggests a method of bathing that is more of a ritual than an actual bath.

^{8.42} See similar teachings on vāyavyasnāna, e.g., in Kūrmapurāṇa 2.1814ab: gavām hi rajasā proktam vāyavyam snānam uttamam, and in Parāśarasmṛti 12.10d: vāyavyam gorajaḥ smṛtam (see note to 8.34 above). This version of bathing seems to be a way of taking a shower in the holy dust raising from under the hooves of cows.

^{8.44} Metre: $m\bar{a}lin\bar{i}$. This verse marks not only the end of a long section on the Niyama rules, but also the end of a major part of the text that discusses the ten Yama and ten Niyama rules, spanning 3.16–8.44. There are two stem form nouns in $p\bar{a}da$ b:

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe niyamapraśaṃsā nāmādhyāyo 'ṣṭamaḥ ||

Here ends the eighth chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Praise of the Niyama-rules.

I suspect that E is right assuming that in order to restore the metre, we must have *nigadita*, as opposed to *nigaditas*, the reading transmitted in all the witnesses; also understand *sarvalokānukampya* in *pāda* b as *sarvalokān anukampya*.

Understand $sakalamalapah\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c as $sakala-mala-apah\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}$, which would be unmetrical, and compare it with $duritamalapah\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}$ in 4.89c. Take etan/etad as either picking up $°pah\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}$ or rather a plural corresponding to $°pan\bar{c}a\dot{s}ad$. The latter phenomenon, namely the use of the singular after numbers, is one of the hallmarks of the text.

By 'fifty Dharmas,' the text refers to the ten main Niyama-rules, each having five subcategories ($10 \times 5 = 50$).

The licence of an word-ultimate short syllable treated as long ($^{\circ}$ *janma* in $p\bar{a}da$ d) is also frequently seen in this text (see pp. 42ff). Note also *puna* for *punar* metri causa.

[navamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Nine]

[traigunyam — System of three qualities]

[anarthayajña uvāca |]
trikālaguṇabhedena bhinnaṃ sarvacarācaram |
tasmāt triguṇabandhena veṣṭitaṃ nikhilaṃ jagat || 9:1 ||

All that move or do not move are divided by the three subdivisions (guna) of time. Therefore the whole world is bound by the ties of the three qualities (guna).

vigatarāga uvāca | traikālyam iti kiṃ jñeyaṃ traidhātukaśarīriṇaḥ | kiṃcid vistaram eveha kathayasva tapodhana || 9:2 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: What does the term 'the three times' mean for an embodied creature that is made up of the three constituents (*traidhātuka*)? Teach me about this in a somewhat more extended manner, O great ascetic.

^{9.1} It is only M, a MS not collated for this chapter, that inserts, post correctionem, anarthayajña uvāca at the beginning of this chapter. It is not really needed: Anarthayajña's teaching continues without interruption here. Another possibility is that this verse was originally the continuation of the end of chapter two (2.40ef: traikālyakalanāt kālas tena kālah prakīrtitah). At least it seems to directly connect there topic-wise. My translation of guṇa in pāda a is tentative.

^{9.2} I have included the element $trai^{\circ}$ in the lemma from $p\bar{a}da$ b only because C_{02} has a slightly unusual ligature there (mtrai).

As for the interpretation of *traidhātuka* in *pāda* b, an intelligent guess would be a reference to the three so-called 'humours' of the body, namely *pitta*, *vāyu/anila/vāta*, and *śleṣman*. They are discussed later in VSS chapter 23 in the context of types of sleep. MBh 12.330.21–22ab clearly states that the three *dhātus*, *pitta*, *śleṣma*, and *vāyu* keep the body alive:

trayo hi dhātavaḥ khyātāḥ karmajā iti ca smṛtāḥ |
pittaṃ śleṣmā ca vāyuś ca eṣa saṃghāta ucyate ||
etaiś ca dhāryate jantur etaih kṣīṇaiś ca kṣīyate |.
See also Uttarottaramahāsaṃvāda (C₉₄ f. 179r line 4):
tridhātukaṃ śarīram vai manujasya ca dehinaḥ |
śleṣmā pittañ ca vāyuś ca śarīraṃ tena vyāpitam ||.

anarthayajña uvāca | traikālyam triguṇaṃ jñeyaṃ vyāpī prakṛtisambhavaḥ | anyonyam upajīvanti anyonyam anuvartinaḥ || 9:3 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: The three times are the three qualities (*guṇa*). They are [all-]pervading and are born from Prakṛti. They support each other, they follow each other.

sattvaṃ rajas tamaś caiva rajaḥ sattvaṃ tamas tathā | tamaḥ sattvaṃ rajaś caiva anyonyamithunāḥ smṛtāḥ || 9:4 ||

Sattva, Rajas and Tamas; Rajas, Sattva and Tamas; Tamas, Sattva and Rajas; they are mutually each other's pairs.

sāttviko bhagavān viṣṇū rājasaḥ kamalodbhavaḥ | tāmaso bhagavān īśaḥ sakalaṃvikaleśvaraḥ || 9:5 ||

Lord Viṣṇu is Sattvic. [Brahmā], the one who was born from a lotus, is Rājasa. Lord Īśa is Tāmasa, [both in his] complete (*sakala*) [form] and [as] formless (*vikala*) Īśvara.

The present verse in the VSS contains the only occurrence of the term *traidhātuka* in the text. In 5.11cd, *dhātu* is probably used in the same Āyurvedic sense that I am proposing here (*dhātuvaiṣamyanāśo 'sti na ca rogāḥ sudāruṇāḥ*). Elsewhere *dhātu* means 'verbal root' (3.3), 'metal' (16.6: *yathā vai sarvadhātūnāṃ doṣā dahyanti dhāmyatām* | *tathā pāpāḥ pradahyante dhruvaṃ prāṇasya nigrahāt* ||), and 'gross element' (for Sāṃkhyastyle *mahābhūtas* in chapter 20). To slightly complicate things, chapter thirteen claims that the human body is made up of two *dhātus*: *somadhātu* and *agnidhātu*. Semen contains *somadhātu*, menstrual blood *agnidhātu*, and the new-born baby is thus made up of both. See e.g. 13.21–22:

śukraśoṇitasaṃyogād garbhotpattis tataḥ smṛtā | agnisomātmakaṃ devi śarīraṃ dvayadhātutaḥ || somadhātu smṛtaṃ śukram agnidhātu rajaḥ smṛtam | agnisomāśrayaṃ devi śarīram iti saṃjñitam ||.

^{9.3} Understand *pāda* b as referring to the neuter *traikālyam* or rather *triguṇaṃ* (gender confusion).

^{9.4} I have failed to fully understand what this verse tries to convey. Perhaps it simply states Sattva, Rajas, and Tamas form various pairs. See the pairs in 9.21–22 and 9.24–28.

^{9.5} My altering the reading *viṣṇu* to *viṣṇū* in *pāda* a against all witnesses may be regarded as an overcorrection and the stem form could be original, but compare BrahmāṇḍaP 1.4.6cd (in the apparatus). My translation of *pāda*s cd is tentative. I suspect that *pāda* d is one single compound, the *anusvāra* is only inserted to avoid the metric fault of two *laghu* syllables at the second and third position. I understand *vikala* as a synonym of *niṣkala*. For the tantric connotations of the pair *sakala-niṣkala* see, e.g., TAK III s.v. *niṣkala*.

sattvaṃ kundenduvarṇābhaṃ padmarāganibhaṃ rajaḥ | tamaś cāñjanaśailābhaṃ kīrtitāni manīṣibhiḥ || 9:6 ||

Sattva is of the colour of jasmine and the moon. Rajas is of the colour of ruby. Tamas is of the colour of lamp-black and black pigment. [This is how the colours of the qualities] are taught by the wise.

sattvaṃ jalaṃ rajo 'ngāraṃ tamo dhūmasamākulam | etadguṇamayair baddhāḥ pacyante sarvadehinaḥ || 9:7 ||

Sattva is water, Rajas is charcoal, Tamas is a mass of smoke. All living creatures are being cooked, bound by these qualities (guna).

vigatarāga uvāca | kena kena prakāreņa guṇapāśena badhyate | cihnam eṣāṃ pṛthaktvena kathayasva tapodhana || 9:8 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: By what sort of nooses of the qualities (guṇa) is [a person] bound? Teach me the signs connected to them one by one, O great ascetic.

anarthayajña uvāca | anekākārabhāvena badhyante guṇabandhanaiḥ | mohitā nābhijānanti jānanti śivayoginaḥ || 9:9 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: [Living beings] are bound in many ways and by many conditions by the fetters of the qualities (*guṇa*). Those who are deluded do not know. The Śivayogins do know.

ūrdhvamgo nityasattvastho madhyago rajasāvṛtaḥ | adhogatis tamo'vasthā bhavanti puruṣādhamāḥ || 9:10 ||

He who is always established in Sattva goes upwards. He who is covered with Rajas goes in the middle. Those lowest of men in the state of Tamas go downwards.

^{9.7°} maya° in pāda c is probably superfluous; understand etair gunair baddhāḥ.

^{9.9} For the possible identification of the figure of the Sivayogin in the context of the Sivadharma, see, e.g., De Simini 2016a and 2022, Mirnig 2019, and Bisschop et al. 2021.

^{9.10} Note the conjecture in pāda a (ūrdhvaṃgo, 'going upwards,' for ūrdhvāṅgo, 'the upper part of the body'). Understand adhogatis in pāda c as a bahuvrīhi in the plural (adhogatayas).

svarge 'pi hi trayo vaite bhāvanīyās tapodhana | mānuṣeṣu ca tiryeṣu guṇabhedās trayas trayaḥ || 9:11 ||

These three [guṇas] are to be acknowledged even in heaven, O great ascetic. The threefold classification by Quality (guṇa) is there among humans, and also among animals.

[sāttvikottamāḥ — Superior Sattva-type]

brahmā viṣṇuś ca rudraś ca dharma indraḥ prajāpatiḥ | somo 'gnir varuṇaḥ sūryo daśa sattvottamāḥ smṛtāḥ || 9:12 ||

The ten superior Sattva [beings] are: Brahmā, Viṣṇu, Rudra, Dharma, Indra, Prajāpati, Soma, Agni, Varuna, and Sūrya.

[sāttvikamadhyamāḥ— Middle Sattva-type] rudrādityā vasusādhyā viśveśamaruto dhruvaḥ | ṛṣayaḥ pitaraś caiva daśaite sattvamadhyamāḥ || 9:13 ||

The ten middle-ranking Sattva [categories of divine beings] are: Rudras, Ādityas, Vasus, Sādhyas, Viśveśa, the Maruts, Dhruva, the sages, and the ancestors.

[sāttvikādhamāḥ — Low Sattva-type]

tārā grahāḥ surā yakṣā gandharvāḥ kiṃnaroragāḥ | rakṣobhūtapiśācāś ca daśaite sāttvikādhamāḥ || 9:14 ||

The ten low-ranking Sattva [entities] are the stars, the planets, the Suras, the Yakṣas, the Gandharvas, the Kiṃnaras, the Serpents, the Rakṣases, the Ghosts, and the Piśācas.

^{9.11} The expression *trayas trayah* probably hints at both the threefold classification by *guṇa* and also the threefold subtypes of each (*uttama*, *madhyama*, *adhama*), described below.

^{9.12} Note that Brahmā was labelled as Rajas-type in 9.5b above.

^{9.13} Pāda a is a sa-vipulā. Note that there seems to be only nine names/categories listed here unless we try to interpret viśveśa as viśvedevāḥ and īśaḥ.

[rājasottamāḥ — Superior Rajas-type]

rtvik purohitācāryayajvāno 'tithi vijñanī | rājā mantrī vratī vedī daśaite rājasottamāḥ || 9:15 ||

The ten superior Rājasa [categories] are the Ḥtvij priest, the domestic chaplain, the teacher, the sacrificer, the guest, the scholar, the king, the minister, people engaged in religious observances, and [Brahmins] who know the Vedas.

[rājasamadhyamāḥ — Middle Rajas-type] sūto 'mbaṣṭhavaṇiś cograḥ śilpikārukamāgadhāḥ | veṇavaidehakāmātyā daśaite rajamadhyamāḥ || 9:16 ||

The ten middle-ranking Rājasa [categories] are [the following castes and professions]: Sūta [coachman/bard], Ambaṣṭha [doctor], Vaṇij [merchant caste], Ugra [combatant?], Śilpin and Kāruka [both artisans], Māgadha [bard], Veṇa [musician], Vaidehaka [guard], and Āmātya [counsellor].

[rājasādhamāḥ — Low Rajas-type] carmakṛt kumbhakṛt kolī lohakṛt trapunīlikāḥ |

națamuștikacandālā daśaite rajasādhamāh | 9:17 ||

The ten low-ranking Rājasa [professions] are: leathersmith, potter, Kolī, blacksmith, tinsmith, dyer, dancer, goldsmith, Candāla.

^{9.15} I take 'tithi as a stem form noun and $vij\bar{n}an\bar{\iota}$ as $vij\bar{n}\bar{a}n\bar{\iota}$, both metri causa. $r\bar{a}ja$ mantr $\bar{\iota}$ as 'minister' makes sense, but by emending $r\bar{a}ja$ ° to $r\bar{a}j\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c I aim to arrive at a list of ten categories instead of nine.

^{9.16} Since all the witnesses consulted treat *vaṇi* as an acceptable stem in *pāda* a, I have refrained from correcting it to *vaṇij/vaṇik*. The English equivalents that I give in square brackets are in some cases little more than traditionally accepted guesses.

^{9.17} Problems with this verse include the following. There are only nine professions/castes listed here instead of the expected ten. $kol\bar{\iota}$ is difficult to interpret; later texts of the Jātiviveka genre such as Gopinātha's $J\bar{a}tiviveka$ (see O'Hanlon et al. 2015) mention $kol\bar{\iota}$ as a regional name for the caste Niṣāda (sometimes: a falconer). I take trapu tentatively as trapuk?t although I cannot see any attestation of that form. And taking $n\bar{\imath}lik\bar{a}$ as a (female) dyer is again tentative.

[tāmasottamāḥ — Superior Tamas-type]

gogajagavayā aśvamṛgacāmarakiṃnarāḥ | siṃhavyāghravarāhāś ca daśaite tāmasottamāḥ || 9:18 ||

These are the ten superior Tāmasa [creatures]: cows, elephants, Gayal oxen, horses, deer, Yaks, Kimnaras, lions, tigers, and wild boar.

[tāmasamadhyamāḥ — Middle Tamas-type]

ajameṣamahiṣyāś ca mūṣikānakulādayaḥ | uṣṭraraṅkuśaśagaṇḍā daśaite tamamadhyamāḥ || 9:19 ||

The ten middle-ranking Tāmasa [animals] are: goats, sheep, buffaloes, mice, mongooses etc., camels, Ranku deer, hares, and rhinoceroses.

[tāmasādhamāḥ — Low Tamas-type] ṛkṣagodhāmṛgaśṛṅgibakavānaragardabhāḥ | sūkaraśvānagomāyur daśaite tāmasādhamāḥ || 9:20 ||

The ten low-ranking Tāmasa [beings] are: bears, alligators, deer, horned animals, cranes, apes, donkeys, boar, dogs, and frogs.

[tamasāttvikāḥ —
The Tamas–Sattva category]
krauñcahaṃsaśukaśyenabhāsabāruṇḍasārasāḥ |
cakrāhvaśukamāyūrā daśaite tamasāttvikāḥ || 9:21 ||

^{9.18} Note that Kimnaras have already appeared in another category in 9.14 above.

 $^{9.19\,^{\}circ}$ mahiṣyāś seems to be an equivalent of $^{\circ}$ mahiṣāś metri causa. Again, we expect ten items in this list but we find only nine. $P\bar{a}da$ c is a sa-vipulā.

^{9.20} *Pāda* a is a *sa-vipulā*. Translating *śṛṅgi*, *śṛṅgin*, or perhaps *śṛṅgī* as 'horned animals' is little more than a guess. Other possibilities such as 'elephants' or simply 'bulls' are less attractive because we have had them above in other categories, although repetitions do occur across, and sometimes within, these lists: see, e.g., *mṛga* mentioned both in 9.18 and 20, *śyena* in both 9.21 and 22, and *śuka* repeated in 9.21.

The ten Tāmasa-Sāttvika [beings] are: curlews, geese, parrots, falcons, vultures, B[h]āruṇḍa birds, cranes, Cakra[vāka] birds, parrots, and peacocks.

[tamarājasāḥ —
The Tamas–Rajas category]

balākāḥ kukkuṭāḥ kākāś cillalāvakatittirāḥ | gṛdhrakaṅkabakaśyena daśaite tamarājasāḥ || 9:22 ||

The ten Tāmasa-Rājasa [beings] are: Balāka-cranes, wild cocks, crows, Bengal kites, painted quails, partridges, vultures, herons, Bakas, and hawks.

[tāmasādhamādi — Low Tamas-type etc.]

kokilolūkakañjalyakapotāḥ pañca eva ca | śārikāś ca kulingāś ca daśaite tamasādhamāḥ || 9:23 ||

The ten lowest Tāmasa [beings also include]: cuckoos, owls, Kañjalabirds, doves, and the five[?], Śārika birds and sparrows.

makaragohanakrāś ca ṛkṣāś ca tamasāttvikāḥ | kacchapaśiśukumbhīramaṇḍūkās tamarājasāḥ | śaṅkhaśuktikaśambūkāḥ kavayyas tamatāmasāḥ || 9:24 ||

Makara crocodiles, cow-killing alligators, and bears are of Tamas–Sattva. Tortoises, porpoises, crocodiles of the Ganges, and frogs

^{9.21} Although all the manuscripts consulted read *kroñca*° in *pāda* a, I have decided to accept E's standard spelling in this case. In *pāda* b, I left °*bāruṇḍa*° thus, although what is really meant is probably *bhāraṇḍa*, *bhāruṇḍa* or *bhuruṇḍa*. Note the repetition of *śuka* in this stanza.

^{9.22} It would be easy to correct the stem form *'syena* in *pāda* c to *syenā* (plural) but I suspect that the form could be original, possibly because it was confused with an instrumental.

^{9.23} My impression is that the reading "kiňjalka" (usually: 'the filament of a lotus') in $p\bar{a}da$ a is either a mistake for, or rather an altered form metri causa, maybe a regional form, of kaňjala (a kind of bird). $C_{94}C_{02}K_{82}$ (kiňjalya) may be slightly closer to the required form (kaňjalaka/kaňjalka?). My emendation is a compromise. Note that there are only six items in this list and that $p\bar{a}da$ b is difficult to make sense of in this context. Something must have gone wrong here.

are of Tamas-Rajas. Conch-shells, pearl-oysters, shells, and Kavayī fish are Tamas-Tāmasa.

candanāgarupadmam ca plaksodumbarapippalāḥ | vaṭadāruśamībilvā daśaite tamasāttvikāḥ || 9:25 ||

Sandalwood, aloe wood, lotus, waved-leaf fig-tree, Ficus Glomerata, holy fig-tree, Banyan, Devadāru tree, Śamī tree, wood-apple tree: these ten are Tamas-Sattva.

jāmbīralakucāmrātadāḍimākolavetasāḥ | nimbanīpo †dhravāvaś ca† daśaite tamarājasāḥ || 9:26 ||

The ten Tamas-Rajas [trees] are: Citron trees, bread-fruit trees, hog-plum trees, pomegranate trees, jujube trees, rattan trees, Neem trees, Kadamba trees and ...

vṛkṣavallīlatāveṇutvaksāratṛṇabhūruhāḥ | mīrajāś ca śilāśasyā daśaite tamasāttvikāḥ || 9:27 ||

9.24 Note the two *laghus* in *pāda* a. The reading that yields 'and bears' (*ṛkṣāś ca*) is my conjecture for a problematic *ṛṣā ca*. It is far from satisfactory since bears have already appeared in verse 9.20 above. My emendation of the word śuśu to śisu ('porpoise,' for śiśuka or śiśumāra, lit. 'child-killer') in *pāda* c is based on the fact that, most probably, we need an aquatic animal here, rather than a hare (śaśa). The readings *kabandhyās* and *kabanas* in *pāda* f make no sense. I conjecture *kavayyas* (the plural of *kavayī*), which is a type of fish. See them mentioned in MahāSubhS 388:

ajājījambāle rajasi maricānāṃ ca luthitāḥ kaṭutvād uṣṇatvāj janitarasanauṣṭhavyatikarāḥ | anirvāṇotthena prabalataratailāktatanavo mayā sadyo bhṛṣṭāḥ katipayakavayyaḥ kavalitāḥ ||

See a translation of this verse in the MahāSubhS (ed. Sternbach, vol. 1, p. 67): 'I rolled them in a cumin swamp / and in a heap of pepper dust / till they were spiced and hot enough / to twist your tongue and mouth. / When they were basted well with oil, / I didn't wait to wash or sit; / I gobbled that mess of koji fish / as soon as they were fried. (D. H. H. Ingalls's translation).'

9.25 In *pāda* d, *tamas*° or *tamaḥ*° are unmetrical and might be the result of scribal correction. The original may have been the metrical *tama*°, here transmitted only in E. Cf. 9.27d.

9.26 There seems to be only nine items here instead of the expected ten. I have not been able to interpret the last one, *dhravāvaś*, which might conceal two names—possibly *dhava* (Grislea tomentosa or Anogeissus latifolia) and *aśvattha* (Ficus religiosa).

[Other] trees, creepers, winding plants, cane, bamboo, grass, plants, seaweed, rocks, and grains are the ten Tamas–Sattva ones.

bhramarāli patangāś ca krimikīṭajalaukasaḥ | yūkoddaṃśamaśānāṃ ca viṣṭhājās tamasāttvikāḥ || 9:28 ||

Bees, black bees and butterflies, worms, insects, aquatic animals, lice, bugs, mosquitoes, and creatures in fæces are Tamas-Sattva ones.

dayā satyam damaḥ śaucam jñānam maunam tapaḥ kṣamā | śīlam ca nābhimānam ca sāttvikāś cottamā janāḥ || 9:29 ||

[These ten expressions describe] people who are the best within the Sāttvika [type]: having compassion, truthfulness, self-control, purity, knowledge, observing silence, penance, patience, integrity, lack of self-conceit.

kāmatrṣṇāratidyūtamāno yuddham madaḥ spṛhā | nirghṛṇāḥ kalikartāro rājaseṣūttamā janāḥ || 9:30 ||

[These ten words describe] people who are the best among the Rā-jasa [ones]: desire, thirst, pleasure, gambling, arrogance, fight, intoxication, delight, cruel, quarrelling.

hiṃsāsūyāghṛṇāmūdhanidrātandrībhayālasāḥ | krodho matsaramāyī ca tāmaseṣūttamā janāḥ || 9:31 ||

[These words describe] people who are the best among the Tāmasa [type]: violence, envy, incompassionate, stupid, sleepy, lazy, cowardly, idle, anger, greedy, cheating.

laghuprītiprakāśī ca dhyānayoge sadotsukaḥ | prajñābuddhivirāgī ca sāttvikaṃ guṇalakṣaṇam || 9:32 ||

The Sāttvika can be characterised as follows: light, joyful, bright, always eager for yoga meditation, wise, intelligent, and dispassionate.

^{9.28} The reading ādi in pāda a could be misplaced, in order to avoid the metrical fault of two laghu syllables in the second and third syllables (understand bhramara-patangādayaś ca), but since in this way we have only nine items here, I emended bhramarādi° to bhramarāli° to include another category, ali, that seems fitting.

bālako nipuņo rāgī māno darpaś ca lobhakaḥ | spṛḥā īrṣā pralāpī ca rājasaṃ guṇalakṣaṇam || 9:33 ||

The Rājasa can be characterised as follows: childish, skilful, passionate, proud, arrogant, greedy, desirous, jealous, and chattering.

udvega ālaso mohaḥ krūras taskaranirdayaḥ | krodhaḥ piśuna nidrā ca tāmasaṃ guṇalakṣaṇam || 9:34 ||

The Tāmasa can be characterised as follows: anxious, lazy, deluded, cruel, a thief, pitiless, angry, wicked, and sleepy.

[āhāras traiguņye — Food and the three qualities]

vigatarāga uvāca | kena cihnena vijñeya āhāraḥ sarvadehinām | traiguṇyasya pṛthaktvena kathayasva tapodhana || 9:35 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: By what signs can the food of each [category of] humans be recognised? Teach [them] to me one by one with regards to the three qualities (*guṇa*), O great ascetic.

anarthayajña uvāca | āyuḥ kīrtiḥ sukhaṃ prītir balārogyavivardhanam | hṛdyasvādurasaṃ snigdha āhāraḥ sāttvikapriyaḥ || 9:36 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: The Sāttvikas prefer food that yields [long] life, fame, happiness, joy, which increases strength and health, which is savoury, tastes nice, and which is soft.

atyuṣṇam āmlalavaṇaṃ rūkṣaṃ tīkṣṇaṃ vidāhi ca | rājasaśreṣṭha-āhāro duḥkhaśokāmayapradaḥ || 9:37 ||

The best food for the Rājasas is rather warm, acidic, salty, hard, hot, and pungent. It gives you pain, a burning sensation, and indigestion.

^{9.34} In pāda a, piśuno, the reading of all MSS consulted, could be the right choice instead of E's piśuna: in this way the pāda could be a (slightly wrong) ra-vipulā, dr in nidrā not making the previous syllable long, a licence often occurring in this text (krama licence).

^{9.37} Note the lack of sandhi within what was meant to be a compound in pāda c (understand rājasaśreṣṭhāhāro), and the total lack of gender agreement between the adjectives in pādas ab, and āhāro and pradaḥ.

abhakṣyāmedhyapūtī ca pūti paryuṣitaṃ ca yat | āmayārasavisvāda āhāras tāmasapriyaḥ || 9:38 ||

Tāmasas prefer food that is prohibited, impure and foul-smelling, stinky, and stale. It causes indigestion, is sapless, and tasteless.

[guṇātītam — Beyond the qualities]

vigatarāga uvāca | guṇātītaṃ kathaṃ jñeyaṃ saṃsāraparapāragam | guṇapāśanibaddhānāṃ mokṣaṃ kathaya tattvataḥ || 9:39 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: How can one recognize [the state of getting] beyond the *guṇa*s, which leads one to the other shore of [the ocean] of mundane existence? Tell me truly about the liberation of those who are bound by the noose of the *guṇas*.

anarthayajña uvāca | ātmavat sarvabhūtāni samyak paśyeta bho dvija | guṇātītaḥ sa vijñeyaḥ saṃsāraparapāragaḥ || 9:40 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: Well, he who looks at all living beings in the correct way, as his own Self, O Brahmin, is to be known as one beyond the qualities (*guṇa*), as one who has reached the other shore of [the ocean of] mundane existence.

īrṣādveṣasamo yas tu sukhaduḥkhasamāś ca ye | stutinindāsamā ye ca guṇātītaḥ sa ucyate || 9:41 ||

He who is indifferent to envy and hate, he who treats happiness and sorrow as equal, he who treats praise and reproach as equal, is called 'one who is beyond the qualities (guna).'

tulyapriyāpriyo yaś ca arimitrasamas tathā | mānāpamānayos tulyo guṇātītaḥ sa ucyate || 9:42 ||

^{9.38} Understand ° $p\bar{u}t\bar{t}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ a as standing for ° $p\bar{u}t\bar{t}$ metri causa (which is oddly repeated in $p\bar{a}da$ b), and note that ° $\bar{a}medhya$ ° in the same $p\bar{a}da$ is an emendation (correcting K_7 's reading). I have conjectured $\bar{a}may\bar{a}rasa$ ° for $\bar{a}y\bar{a}marasa$ ° in $p\bar{a}da$ c because the transmitted readings make little sense and because $\bar{a}maya$ appeared in 9.37d above.

^{9.40} Note verses from the BhG (6.32, 12.13, 14.24–25) quoted in the apparatus to the critical edition, of which VSS 9.40–42 seem to be echoes of.

He who treats pleasant and unpleasant things, enemy and friend, respect and contempt equally, is called 'one who is beyond the qualities (guna)'.

eṣa te kathito vipra guṇasadbhāvanirṇayaḥ | guṇayuktas tu saṃsārī guṇātītaḥ parāṅgatiḥ || 9:43 ||

O Brahmin, thus has the exposition of the essence of the qualities (guna) been taught to you. Those who are bound by the qualities (guna) are subject to transmigration, while (samsarin), those beyond the qualities (guna) tread the supreme path.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe traiguṇyaviśeṣaṇīyo nāmādhyāyo navamaḥ ||

Here ends the ninth chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Particulars of the Three Guṇas.

^{9.43} I have accepted E's parāṅgatiḥ in pāda d, as opposed to the even more problematic parāṅgatim of the MSS, both probably standing for the bahuvrīhi compound paragatiḥ metri causa. Alternatively, accept parāṃ gatim and supply yāti or gacchati.

[daśamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Seven]

[kāyatīrthopavarṇanam — Description of the pilgrimage places in the body]

vigatarāga uvāca | katamaṃ sarvatīrthānāṃ śreṣṭham āhur manīṣinaḥ | kathayasva muniśreṣṭha yady asti bhuvi kāmadam || 10:1 ||

Vigatarāga spoke: Which pilgrimage place (*tīrtha*) do the wise consider the best of all? Tell me, O best of sages, if there is one in the world that fulfils [all] desires.

anarthayajña uvāca | atiguhyam idam praśnam pṛṣṭaḥ snehād dvijottama | bravīmi vaḥ purāvṛttam nandinā kathito 'smy aham || 10:2 ||

Anarthayajña spoke: This question is an extremely deep secret. [Now that you] ask [me], O excellent Brahmin, I shall teach you, out of fondness, an ancient legend that Nandi told me.

nandikeśvara uvāca | kailāsaśikhare ramye siddhacāraṇasevite | tatrāsīnam śivaṃ sākṣād devī vacanam abravīt || 10:3 ||

Nandikeśvara spoke: On the beautiful peak of Mount Kailāsa, which is frequented by Siddhas and celestial singers (*cāraṇa*), Devī asked Śiva, who was sitting there in his manifest form (*sākṣāt*).

devy uvāca | bhagavan devadeveśa sarvabhūtajagatpate | praṣṭum icchāmy ahaṃ tv ekaṃ dharmaguhyaṃ sanātanam || 10:4 ||

^{10.1} Strictly speaking katamat would be a more grammatical form in $p\bar{a}da$ a than katamam.

^{10.2} On the syntax of pāda d, see pp. 35 ff.

^{10.3} Note the change of speaker here: Nandikeśvara is also the main interlocutor of the ŚDhŚ and the ŚDhSaṃgr. This verse marks the beginning of the layer that can be labelled Śaiva (see pp. 11 ff). On Nandi/Nandin/Nandikeśvara not being Śiva's bull, see Bhattacharya 1977 and pp. 6 ff. above.

Devī spoke: O Lord, Lord of the chiefs of the gods, O ruler of all beings and of the whole world, I would like to ask you about an eternal secret concerning Dharma,

atitīrtham param guhyam samsārād yena mucyate | manuṣyāṇām hitārthāya brūhi tattvam maheśvara || 10:5 ||

about the transcendental and highly secret pilgrimage place at which one can be liberated from mundane existence (saṃsāra). O Maheśvara, teach me the truth for the benefit of mankind.

maheśvara uvāca |

ko māṃ pṛcchati taṃ praśnaṃ muktvā tvām eva sundari | śṛṇu vakṣyāmi taṃ praśnaṃ devair api sudurlabham || 10:6 ||

Maheśvara spoke: Who else could ask me that question except for you, O Sundarī? Listen, I shall expound that question, which is difficult to grasp even for the gods.

kurukṣetraṃ prayāgaṃ ca vārāṇasīm ataḥ param | gaṅgāgniṃ somatīrthaṃ ca sūryapuṣkaramānasam || 10:7 ||

If one gets to know Kurukṣetra, Prayāga, Vārāṇasī, Gaṅgā, Agni[tīrtha], Somatīrtha, Sūrya[tīrtha], Puṣkara, Mānasa,

naimiṣaṃ bindusāraṃ ca setubandhaṃ suradraham | ghaṇṭikeśvaravāgīśaṃ jñātvā niścayapāpahā || 10:8 ||

Naimișa, Bindusaras, Setubandha, Suradraha, Ghaṇṭikeśvara, and Vāgīśa, one will certainly be able to destroy one's sins.

umovāca | evamādi mahādeva pūrvavat kathitāsmy aham | svargabhogapradaṃ tīrtham eteṣāṃ suranāyaka || 10:9 ||

^{10.4} It is not unlikely that in pāda d, sanātanam was intended to refer to dharma° ('eternal Dharma'), or that dharmaguhya should be corrected to dharmam guhyam ('... ask you about the secret and eternal Dharma').

^{10.8} Note bindusāram for bindusaras/saram/sarasm metri causa. Although some of these toponyms are difficult to identify and some may refer to southern locations (e.g. Setubandha), in general they suggest a North Indian focus. See details on the pilgrimage places in this chapter on pp. 20 ff.

Umā spoke: I have been taught this previously, O Mahādeva. [Which is] the pilgrimage place that yields all kinds of enjoyment, O Suranāyaka?

kathaṃ mucyeta saṃsārāj jñānamātreṇa īśvara | kautūhalaṃ mahaj jātaṃ chindhi saṃśayakārakam || 10:10 ||

[And] how is one liberated from mundane existence by merely knowing [the pilgrimage places], O Īśvara? Dispel [this] great curiosity arising [within me], which gives rise to doubt.

rudra uvāca | kiṃ na jānāmi tat tīrthaṃ sulabhaṃ durlabhaṃ ca yat | sulabhaṃ gurusevīnāṃ durlabhaṃ tad vivarjayet || 10:11 ||

Rudra spoke: How could I not know [the difference between] that pilgrimage place that is easy to reach and that which is difficult to reach? The easy one is for those who serve their guru. One can abandon the one which is difficult to reach.

[kurukṣetram — Kurukṣetra]

kuruḥ puruṣa vijñeyaḥ śarīraṃ kṣetra ucyate | śarīrasthaṃ kurukṣetraṃ sarvatīrthaphalapradam || 10:12 ||

Kuru- [in Kurukṣetra] is to be known as the soul (*puruṣa*), *-kṣetra* as the body. Kurukṣetra in the body yields the fruits of [visiting]

^{10.9} I take $p\bar{u}rvavat$ in $p\bar{a}da$ b as if used in the sense of $p\bar{u}rvam$ ('previously'), and $etes\bar{a}m$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d as etesu. It would also be possible to take $etes\bar{a}m$ in 10.9d and $j\bar{n}\bar{a}-nam\bar{a}trena$ in 10.10b as connected ('by the mere knowledge of them'; actually, one should understand $svargabbogaprad\bar{a}n\bar{a}m$ $t\bar{t}rth\bar{a}n\bar{a}m$ $etes\bar{a}m$), but the former solution, namely taking $etes\bar{a}m$ as etesu, seems to work also in 10.14, where again a genitive $(tes\bar{a}m)$ may stand for a locative (tesu). On the syntax of $p\bar{a}da$ b, see p. 35.

^{10.10} We are forced to agree with E's printing 'kārakam in pāda d because all the other readings seem out of context, whether they refer to Śiva in the vocative or nominative.

^{10.11} Note sevīnām for sevinām in pāda c metri causa.

My translation here is slightly tentative and is fashioned to make sense in light of what is coming: the praise of internalised pilgrimage places, contrasting them with real, external pilgrimage places.

all pilgrimage places.

sarvayajñaphalāvāptiḥ sarvadānaphalāni ca | sarvavratatapaś cīrṇaṃ tatphalaṃ sakalaṃ bhavet || 10:13 ||

[And there will be] the obtaining of the fruits of all sacrifices, the fruits of all [possible] gifting, and all the fruits of all religious observances and penance performed.

evam eva phalam teṣām tīrthapañcadaśeṣu ca | anaghānam mahāpuṇyam mahātīrtham mahāsukham || 10:14 ||

This is how the fruits [are said to be also] in the case of those fifteen pilgrimage places [from Kurukṣetra to Vāgīśa]. [Kurukṣetra,] the great and faultless pilgrimage place is extremely auspicious and pleasant.

devy uvāca | atīva romaharṣo me jāto 'sti tridaśeśvara | sulabhaṃ sukaraṃ sūkṣmaṃ śrutvā tuṣṭiś ca me gatā || 10:15 ||

Devī spoke: I am extremely thrilled, O Tridaśeśvara. Hearing about that which is easy to obtain, easy to perform, and is subtle, my contentment has left me [that is, I want to hear more].

caturdaśa paro bhūyaḥ kathayasva manoharam | prayāgādi pṛthaktvena tattvatas tu sureśvara || 10:16 ||

Teach me further about the remaining fourteen pleasant [pilgrimage places], Prayāga and the others, one by one, as they really are, O Sureśvara.

^{10.12} In $p\bar{a}da$ b, one could apply K_{82} 's reading that has the standard neuter nominative form ksetram as opposed to the form transmitted in all other witnesses (ksetra) but the latter might be original, influenced by the stem form purusa in $p\bar{a}da$ a.

 $^{10.14\,}anagh\bar{a}nam$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c is problematic. It may simply stand for anagham ('faultless'). That is how I translate it. Originally it may have involved a stem form adjective: anaghaitan (anagha + etad).

^{10.15} We could read śrutvātuṣṭiś (i.e. śrutvā-atuṣṭiś) in pāda d ('hearing this, my discontent is gone'), but interlocutors in this text usually want to hear more when they are still unsatisfied, and hungry for more teaching. See, e.g., Kiss 2021. (Or shall we read śrutvātuṣṭiś ca me 'gatā, 'hearing this my discontent has not yet disappeared'?)

^{10.16} Note again the use of the singular next to numbers (caturdaśa ... manoharam prayāgādi), a frequent phenomenon in this text.

[prayāgo vārāṇasī ca — Prayāga and Vārāṇasī]

rudra uvāca | suṣumnā bhagavatī gaṅgā iḍā ca yamunā nadī | etāḥ srotovahā nadyaḥ prayāgaḥ sa vidhīyate || 10:17 ||

The Suṣumnā[-tube] is the Honourable Gaṅgā, the Iḍā[-tube] is the river Yamunā. [At the confluence of] these surging rivers is [the pilgrimage place] called Prayāga.

dakṣiṇā vāruṇī nāsā vāmanāsā asi smṛtā | vāruṇā-asimadhyena tena vārāṇasī smṛtā || 10:18 ||

The right nostril is [the river] Vāruņī, the left nostril is known as [the river] Asi. Because [it is] at the confluence of Vāruņā and Asi, [the city/internalised pilgrimage place there] is known as Vārāṇasī.

^{10.17} There seems to be only two yogic tubes mentioned here (and in 10.20–21 and 11.21): Suṣumnā and Iḍā, instead of the more usual triad of Iḍā, Piṅgalā, and Suṣumnā. This is strikingly similar to what we see in the archaic yoga of the *Niśvāsa nayasūtra*, see Goodall et al. 2015, 33–34. According to Barois 2020, 23 and 46 the case is similar in the *Dharmaputrikā*. This is slightly doubtful because a third tube, called Turyā, is mentioned immediately after Iḍā and Suṣumnā in DhP 4.57:

iḍā vāmā susumnā ca dve nāḍī nāsikāśrite | bhruvor madhye parā nāḍī tajjñais turyeti kīrttitā ||.

It is also possible that the third tube is there, as Prayāga, in our obscure VSS 10.17cd, which may intend to say that at the confluence of the Gaṅgā/Suṣumnā and the Yamunā/Iḍā, there is the internalised pilgrimage place, or tube, called Prayāga. Compare MBh Suppl. 6.3A.41–44:

iḍā bhagavatī gaṅgā piṅgalā yamunā nadī | tayor madhye tṛtīyā tu tat prayāgam anusmaret || iḍā vai vaiṣṇavī nāḍī brahmanāḍī tu piṅgalā | suṣumṇā caiśvarī nāḍī tridhā prāṇavahā smṛtā ||.

Note that the Yamunā has not been mentioned as a $t\bar{t}rtha$ in VSS 10.7–8 above. See also $Hathayogaprad\bar{t}pik\bar{a}$ 3.110:

iḍā bhagavatī gaṅgā piṅgalā yamunā nadī | iḍāpiṅgalayor madhye bālaraṇḍā ca kuṇḍalī ||. Note also E's attempt to make pāda a metrical.

^{10.18} This verse most probably describes the spot between the eyebrows as an internalised pilgrimage place.

[gaṅgā — Gaṅgā]

ākāśagaṅgā vikhyātā tasyāḥ sravati cāmṛtam | ahorātram avicchinnaṃ gaṅgā sā tena ucyate || 10:19 ||

[There is] the famous ethereal Gangā. The nectar of immortality issues from her day and night uninterruptedly. That is why [this internalised pilgrimage place] is called Gangā.

[somatīrtham — Somatīrtha]

somatīrtham iḍā nāḍī kinkiṇīravacihnitā | taṃ tu śrutvā na saṃḍehaḥ sarvapāpakṣayo bhavet || 10:20 ||

Somatīrtha is the tube Idā. It is characterised by the ringing of small bells. Upon hearing that [ringing], all of one's sins will be destroyed.

[sūryatīrtham — Sūryatīrtha]

sūryatīrthaṃ suṣumnā ca nīravāravasaṃyutā | śrutimātrād vimucyeta pāparāśir mahān api || 10:21 ||

Sūryatīrtha is the [tube] Suṣumnā, the one that emits a soundless thunder. One is liberated by merely hearing it, even if one has mountains of sin.

[agnitīrtham — Agnitīrtha]

agnitīrthārjunā nāḍī brahmaghoṣamanoramā | tat tad akṣaram ākarṇya amṛtatvāya kalpate || 10:22 ||

Agnitīrtha is the Arjuna tube. It is charming because of the hum of Veda recitation. Upon hearing this or that syllable, one's share will be immortality.

^{10.19} This verse may describe a bodily location such as the soft palate as an internalised pilgrimage place. The word *ganga* is interpreted here as an intensive form from the verbal root *gam*, related to the better-attested intensive stems *jangam* and *ganīgam* (see the latter two, e.g., in Whitney 1989 [1924], §1003).

^{10.20} Note that Idā has already been identified as the Yamunā in 10.17b.

^{10.21} Susumnā has already been identified as the Gangā in 10.17a.

^{10.22} agnitīrtha is most probably in stem form in pāda a.

[puṣkaram — Puskara]

puṣkaraṃ hṛdi madhyastham aṣṭapattraṃ sakarṇikam | cintayet sūkṣma tanmadhye janmamṛtyuvināśanam || 10:23 ||

Puṣkara is a lotus with eight petals and a pericarp in the centre of the heart. One should visualize the Subtle One in its centre. It will destroy birth and death.

[mānasam — Mānasa]

mānasasaramadhyastham sa haṃsaḥ kamalopari | salīlo līlayācārī parataḥ parapāragaḥ || 10:24 ||

That goose on a lotus in the middle of the Mānasa lake is playful, acting gracefully, rising far beyond the other shore.

[naimiṣam — Naimiṣa]

naimiṣaṃ śṛṇu deveśi nimiṣā pratyayo bhavet | samyag chāyāṃ nirīkṣeta ātmāno vā parasya vā || 10:25 ||

I am not aware of any yogic teachings that involve a $n\bar{a}d\bar{\iota}$ called $arjun\bar{a}$. Maybe $arun\bar{a}$ or $varun\bar{a}$ was meant? A $v\bar{a}run\bar{\iota}$ nā $d\bar{\iota}$ does occur in some texts, such as the Yogaśikhopaniṣad (5.26, Sastri 1920, 444), the $Hatharatn\bar{a}val\bar{\iota}$ (4.34–35, Mallinson and Singleton 2017, 5.1.10), and the Śivasaṃhitā (2.15, ibid. 5.2.4). On the other hand, 'red' (aruna) would be an appropriate label for Agnitīrtha, not to mention that fact that it is a synonym of pingala, the name of the $n\bar{a}d\bar{\iota}$ that is conspicuously missing in this chapter and in 11.21.

^{10.23} *hṛdi* was probably meant to be nominative, as in 10.27, here potentially compounded with *madhyastham*. On *sūkṣma* (here in stem form metri causa), see note to verse 11.46 below.

^{10.24} Understand mānasasara° in pāda a as mānasasara° (metri causa). To make sense of this verse, especially the masculine nominatives in pādas cd, I have conjectured sa haṃsaḥ for what seems to a compound: sahaṃsakamalopari. I suspect pāda a to qualify, clumsily, kamala in pāda b. Other possibilities include sahaṃsa° meaning 'with the syllables HAM and SA on it.'

The association of Lake Mānasa on Mount Kailāsa with lotuses, and especially with geese or swans, is well-known. See, e.g., MBh 6.114.90ff: Gaṅgā sends the great sages, who inhabit Lake Mānasa in the form of geese, to visit the dying Bhīṣma. Although the interpretation of this verse, which obviously refers to an internalised form of this pilgrimage place, is still problematic, the goose/swan most probably signifies to the soul.

Listen to Naimiṣa, O Deveśī. It yields assurance in a moment. One can observe the shadow of one's own and others' soul properly.

āyatam aṅgulīmātraṃ nimiṣākṣiḥ sa paśyati | drstvā pratyayam evam hi naimiṣajñah sa ucyate || 10:26 ||

He will see [the soul's] length with his eyes shut as one finger-breadth. When one has seen the proof thus, one is called the knower of Naimişa.

[bindusaraḥ — Bindusaras]

tīrthaṃ bindusaraṃ nāma śṛṇu vakṣyāmi sundari | dehamadhye hṛdi jñeyaṃ hṛdimadhye tu paṅkajam || 10:27 ||

Listen, O Sundarī, I shall teach you the pilgrimage place called Bindusaras. The heart is to be known to be located in the centre of the body. In the centre of the heart, there is a lotus.

karnikā padmamadhye tu binduḥ karnikamadhyataḥ | bindumadhye sthito nādaḥ sa nādaḥ kena bhidyate || 10:28 ||

There is a pericarp in the centre of the lotus, and the subtle sonic matter (bindu) in the centre of the pericarp. In the centre of the

^{10.25} This obscure verse (coupled with the next one) might have something to do with a type of meditation, *chāyādhyāna*, mentioned in *Niśvāsa uttarasūtra* 5.6:

tattvadhyānam prathamakam chāyādhyānam dvitīyakam | ghoṣadhyānan trtīyan tu lakṣadhyānañ caturthakam ||.

Later on in the same text (5.12 and 16), this meditation on 'the shadow of the soul/puruṣa' is mentioned again. Niśvāsa uttarasūtra 5.16 states that '[f]ocussing on[?] one's awareness on [one's] "shadow" (chāyācittam), one will see the soul (pumān = pumāṃsam?) in the sky (viyatstham). Practising in this way, one attains success and becomes Śiva.' (Translation from Goodall et al. 2015, 391.) The Sanskrit reads:

chāyācittam samālambya viyatstham paśyate pumān | evam abhyasyamānas tu siddhyate ca śivo bhavet ||.

But as the editors of the *Niśvāsatattvasaṃbitā* put it with reference to the four elements of meditation given there: '[v]ery little of this is clear and almost nothing is certain' (Goodall et al. 2015, 389).

^{10.26} Pādas ab involve an emendation and a conjecture, without which it is difficult to understand this line.

^{10.27} Understand "saram in $p\bar{a}da$ a as "saro (thematisation). Take hrdi as a nominative in $p\bar{a}da$ c and d (and see 10.23a).

subtle sonic matter (bindu), there is the subtle sound ($n\bar{a}da$). How is that subtle sound ($n\bar{a}da$) divided?

ukāraṃ ca makāraṃ ca bhittvā nādo vinirgataḥ | taṃ viditvā viśālākṣi so 'mṛtatvaṃ labheta ca || 10:29 ||

Cutting through the sounds U and M, the subtle sound (*nāda*) arises. Realizing that [subtle sound], O Viśālākṣi, one can obtain immortality.

[setubandham — Setubandha]

vakṣye te setubandhaṃ duritamalaharaṃ nādatoyapravāhaṃ jihvākaṇṭhorakūlā svaragaṇapulināvartaghoṣā taraṅgā | kumbhīrāghoṣamīnā daśagaṇamakarā bhīmanakrā visargā sānusvāre gabhīre madasukharasanaṃ setubandhaṃ vrajasva || 10:30 ||

I shall teach you Setubandha, which sports a current whose water of subtle sound ($n\bar{a}da$) cleanses you of the dirt of your sins. [It is a river, so to say, whose] banks are the tongue, the throat, and the chest, and its sandbanks are the group of vowels (svara). It ripples with whirlpools of voiced consonants (ghosa). Voiceless consonants (aghosa) are its crocodiles and fish, the ten verbal classes (gaṇ a) are its sea-monsters, visargas are its terrifying alligators. It is located in the deep-sounding $anusv\bar{a}ra$ ($s\bar{a}$ - $anusv\bar{a}re$). Go to Setubandha taste the pleasure of intoxication.

^{10.28} For a general discussion on *nāda* and *bindu*, see, e.g., TAK III s.v. *nāda*. Our text considers the internalised manifestation of the pilgrimage place Bindusaras to be *bindu*, or subtle sonic matter.

^{10.29} VSS 10.27-29ab seem to paraphrase Niśvāsa $k\bar{a}rik\bar{a}$ 5.55-57ab; see the apparatus to VSS 10.27-29ab.

^{10.30} Metre (10.30–33): $sragdhar\bar{a}$. Note that "kanthora" is a conjecture based on the context: this line speaks about sounds and the production of sounds. For this, urah/ura ('chest') seems better than $\bar{u}ru$ ('thigh'). It is not immediately evident why $p\bar{a}das$ b and c retain feminine endings. I take this as qualifying an implied $nad\bar{\iota}$, partly because the similarly structured 10.33 below explicitly mentions $nad\bar{\iota}$, even though this may not align with the fact that Setubandha is the name of the ridge of rocks extending from Rāmeśvara to Śrī Laṅkā. The authors may have had only a hazy idea of the true nature

[suradrahaḥ — Suradraha]

saptadvīpāntamadhye śṛṇu śaśivadane sarvaduḥkhāntalābham īśānenābhijuṣṭaṃ hṛdi hrada vimalaṃ nādaśītāmbupūrṇam | tatraikaṃ jātapadmaṃ prakṛtidalayutaṃ keśaraṃ śaktibhinnaṃ pañcavyomapraśastaṃ gatiparamapadaṃ prāptukāmena sevyam || 10:31 ||

O Moon-faced goddess, listen to [the description of Suradraha], the way to the cessation of all sorrow, in the centre of the seven islands. It is frequented by $\bar{1}\sin$, a spotless lake in the heart full of the cool water of sound ($n\bar{a}da$). There is a lotus arising there whose petals are Prakṛti and whose filaments are split between \sin , praised as the five gross elements (vyoman). It is to be honoured if one wishes to obtain the path to the supreme abode.

[ghaṇṭikeśvaram — Ghaṇṭikeśvara]

†nāḍyaikāsaṅgatāni† nipatitam amṛtaṃ ghaṇṭikāpārakeṇa tṛpyante tena nityaṃ hṛdi kamalapuṭaṃ sthāṇubhūtāntarātmā | yaṃ paśyantīśabhaktāḥ kalikaluṣaharaṃ vyāpinaṃ niṣprapañcaṃ deveśaṃ ghaṇṭikeśāmarabhavam abhavaṃ tīrtham ākāśabindum || 10:32 ||

The tubes join[?]. The nectar of immortality (*amṛta*) has descended by the Saviour Ghaṇṭikā. Those whose inner selves have become

of Setubandha, or refer here to a different pilgrimage place, possibly in Nepal. Some of the compounds here are inverted or split: understand āvartaghoṣā taraṅgā as ghoṣāvartataraṅgā, kumbhīrāghoṣamīnā as aghoṣakumbhīramīnā, and bhīmanakrā visargā as visargabhīmanakrā. Nevertheless, the general idea seems to be clear: the internalised version of the pilgrimage place Setubandha, externally probably understood as Rāmeśvara in the South, is now the sounds of recitation.

^{10.31} The first syllable of *brada* in *pāda* b does not make the previous syllable long (*krama* licence), otherwise the line would be unmetrical. Understand the same *brada* as a stem form standing metri causa for the accusative. *keśaram śaktibhinnam* in *pāda* c should probably be understood as a bahuvrīhi compound thus: *śaktibhinnakeśaram*. For *vyoman* as 'gross element,' see notes to VSS 4.32 above, but note that the expression 'fifty voids' (*pañcāśadvyoman*) comes up again in 10.33 below, and also in 20.7. It is not clear why this internalised pilgrimage place, or the filaments of the lotus mentioned, would be praised as the five elements.

Sthāṇu [i.e. Śiva] are continuously delighted in Him, as he is embraced by the lotus in their hearts. [He is the one] whom Īśa's devotees can behold, who drives off the impurity of the Kali age, who is all-pervading (*vyāpin*) and non-manifest (*niṣprapañca*), the lord of gods, Ghaṇṭikeśa of undying existence. The ærial *bindu* is a non-mundane (*abhava*) pilgrimage place.

[vāgīśvaratīrtham — Vāgīśvaratīrtha]

mīmāṃsāratnakūlā kramapadapulinā śaivaśāstrārthatoyā mīnaughā pañcarātraṃ śrutikuṭilagatiḥ smārtavegā taraṅgā | yogāvartātiśobhā upaniṣadivahā bhāratāvartaphenā pañcāśadvyomarūpī rasabhavananadī tīrtha vāgīśvarīyam || 10:33 ||

The banks [of Vāgīśvaratīrtha] are the gems of Mīmāṃsā, its sandbanks the [Vedic] *kramapadas*, its water the meaning of the Śaiva manuals. Its flock of fish is the Pañcarātra [tradition], its winding path is the Śruti [tradition], its rapid waves the Smārta [tradition]. It is beautified by whirlpools of yoga. Its currents are the Upaniṣads. The foam made by its whirlpools is the *Mahābhārata*. This river, whose form is the fifty voids (*vyoman*), is the abode of the elixir. [This is the description of] the pilgrimage place Vāgīśvara.

^{10.32} The interpretation of this verse is not without problems. The cruxed expression in $p\bar{a}da$ a is difficult to repair; it may involve $n\bar{a}d\bar{\iota}$ or $n\bar{a}dy\bar{a}$, $ek\bar{a}$, and samgata. These suggest that it may hint at a point of confluence where the bodily tubes $(n\bar{a}d\bar{\iota})$ join. Possibly understand $n\bar{a}dya$ ekasamgat $\bar{a}h$. In $p\bar{a}da$ b, $sth\bar{a}nu$ is my conjecture for $sth\bar{a}nu$, and I understand ${}^o\bar{a}tm\bar{a}$ as standing for the plural nominative. I take ghantikeśa in $p\bar{a}da$ d as a stem form noun in sandhi with amara, notwithstanding the (unmetrical) reading ghantikeśamara o in $C_{94}C_{45}K_{10}K_7$.

The external pilgrimage place related to Ghaṇṭikeśvara the redactors of the VSS may have had in mind here may or may not be 'Virajā, modern Jajpur in the Cuttack District of Orissa' presided over by Ghaṇṭīśa, Mahāghaṇṭeśvara or Mahāghaṇṭa Bhairava (Sanderson 2009, 113, n. 241). See Introduction, pp. 20 ff.

As for the yogic interpretation of this verse, it seems plausible that *ghanṭikā* is taken here as the uvula, from which *amṛta* is said to be dripping down the throat. See TAK II s.v. *ghanṭikā* and Mallinson 2007.

^{10.33} By kramapada, most probably a particular method of reciting Vedic texts (better known as padakrama) is meant. Note the split compounds in $p\bar{a}da$ b. Understand

yas taṃ vetti sa vetti vedanikhilaṃ saṃsāraduḥkhacchidaṃ janmavyādhiviyogatāpamaraṇaṃ kleśārṇavaṃ duḥsaham | garbhāvāsam atīva sahyaviṣayaṃ dustīryaduḥkhālayaṃ prāptaṃ tena na saṃśayaḥ śivapadaṃ duṣprāpya devair api || 10:34 ||

One will know all the Vedas by knowing Him who puts an end to the suffering of transmigration, to birth, disease, separation, suffering, death, the floods of unbearable pain, to dwelling in the womb, to extremely insufferable sensations, and to places of suffering that are difficult to escape from. Such a person will, without doubt, reach Śiva's world that is difficult to enter even for the gods.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe kāyatīrthopavarṇano nāmādhyāyo daśamaḥ ||

Here ends the tenth chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called the Description of the bodily pilgrimage places.

mīnaughā pañcarātram as pañcarātramīnaughā, and smārtavegā taraṅgā as smārtavegataraṅgā. Note the form upaniṣadi for a stem form of upaniṣadi in upaniṣadi-vahā in pāda c. This phenomenon is similar to what we see in 10.23 and 27 above with hṛdi. The lack of sandhi between °śobhā and upaniṣadi° is also notable. tīrtha in pāda d is a stem form noun metri causa. The exact meaning of pañcāśadvyoma° is not clear to me. Could it be the fifty sounds of Sanskrit? All in all, Vāgīśvaratīrtha here represents the religious traditions and scriptures.

^{10.34} Metre: śārdūlavikrīḍita. I take pādas b and c as if °chidaṃ in pāda a were implied for each element there, and atīva sahya° as standing for atīvāsahya° metri causa. Understand duṣprāpya as a stem form adjective (for duṣprāpyaṃ) metri causa.

[ekādaśamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Eleven]

[caturāśramadharmavidhānaḥ — Regulations on the Dharma of the four social disciplines]

devy uvāca | sarvayajñaḥ paraśreṣṭha asti anyaḥ surottama | alpakleśa-m-anāyāsa arthaprāyam vineśvara || 11:1 ||

The Goddess spoke: O Paraśreṣṭha, O Surottama! Is there another [form of] sacrifice that is for all (*sarvayajña*), free of pain, easy to perform, and requiring no abundance of materials, O Lord?

sarvayajñaphalāvāpti daivataiś cāpi pūjitam | kathayasva suraśreṣṭha mānuṣāṇāṃ hitāya vai || 11:2 ||

For the benefit of mankind, teach me, O Suraśreṣṭha, how one may obtain the fruits of [this] universal sacrifice (*sarvayajña*), which is praised even by the gods.

^{11.1} I understand *pāda* c as containing a sandhi bridge thus: *alpakleśa-m-anāyāsa*. The sandhi between *pāda*s c and d is irregular, understand °*anāyāso 'rtha*°, or °*anāyāsaḥ artha*°.

Śivadharmaśāstra 1.7–11ab express a sentiment similar to the one expressed here, using the word āyāsa, but giving a somewhat clearer reason for asking for a new form of devotion, namely that twice-born members of society with limited financial resources struggle to perform expensive Vedic rituals (see ŚDhŚ 1.9ab below):

sanatkumāra uvāca |
bhagavan sarvadharmajña śivadharmaparāyaṇaḥ |
śrotukāmāḥ paraṃ dharmam imaṃ sarve samāgatāḥ || 1.7
agniṣṭomādayo yajñā bahuvittakriyānvitāḥ |
nātyantaphalabhūyiṣṭhā bahvāyāsasamanvitāḥ || 1.8
na śakyante yataḥ kartum alpavittair dvijātibhiḥ |
sukhopāyam ato brūhi sarvakāmārthasādhakam |
hitāya sarvasatvānāṃ śivadharmam sanātanam || 1.9
nandikeśvara uvāca |
śrūyatām abhidhāsyāmi sukhopāyamahatphalam |
paramasarvadharmāṇāṃ śivadharmaṃ śivātmakam || 1.10
śivena kathitaṃ pūrvaṃ pārvatyāḥ ṣaṇmukhasya ca |

^{11.2} Note °avāpti as neuter in pāda a, unlike 10.12a, which contains the same compound but ends in a *visarga*.

maheśvara uvāca |

na tulyam tava paśyāmi dayā bhūteṣu bhāmini |

kim anyat kathayiṣyāmi dayā yatra na vidyate || 11:3 ||

Maheśvara spoke: I know of no other compassion for living beings like yours, O Bhāminī. What else could I teach [you] with respect to which [your] compassion is not evident?

sadāśivamukhāt pūrvaṃ śrutaṃ me varasundari | śṛṇu devi pravakṣyāmi dharmasāram anuttamam || 11:4 ||

I once heard [the following] from the mouth of Sadāśiva, O Varasundarī. Listen, O Goddess—I shall teach you the ultimate essence of Dharma.

[gṛhasthaḥ — The householder]

vinārthena tu yo yajñaḥ sa yajñaḥ sārvakāmikaḥ | akṣayaś cāvyayaś caiva sarvapātakanāśanaḥ || 11:5 ||

Sacrifice [performed] without materials fulfils all desires. It is undecaying and imperishable, and it removes all sins.

svaśarīre sthito yajñah svaśarīre sthitaṃ tapaḥ | svaśarīre sthitaṃ tīrtham śruto vistarato mayā ||.

^{11.3} I understand *dayā* in *pāda* b as if it were instrumental: *tava dayayā bhūteṣu tulyaṃ na paśyāmi*. Alternatively, as suggested by Csaba Dezső, *pāda*s ab could be interpreted as two sentences: 'I cannot see anything comparable to you. [You have great] compassion towards living beings, O Bhāminī.'

^{11.4} Note *me* for *mayā* in *pāda* b (Oberlies 2003, 102–103 [4.1.3]), and the evident distinction here between Maheśvara, the interlocutor, and Sadāśiva, who, in this context seems to be superior, being the ultimate source here of the following teaching. This might hint at a familiarity with the Tantric sequence of *tattvas*, on which see, e.g., Goodall et al. 2015, 45.

^{11.5} The subchapter heading is tentative here because in this chapter the category of the *gṛhastha* never gets mentioned. This category is simply labelled āśramaḥ prathamaḥ in 11.25a. Nevertheless, it is most probably the *gṛhastha* that is implied, and it is mentioned elsewhere (see 4.74c, 5.9a, and 15.17a, which reads āśramāṇāṃ gṛhī śreṣṭho). The teaching on sacrifice without materials (*vinārthena yajñaḥ* or *anarthayajñaḥ*), which is fundamentally internalised sacrifice, is a central teaching of the VSS: in addition to the present chapter, the expression appears as the main interlocutor's name (Anarthayajña) in chapters 1–9 and 19–21, and his life is discussed in chapter 22. Thus the name Anarthayajña or the concept of *anarthayajña* appears in each major layer of the text. On this see pp. 11 ff, and Kiss 2021. That *anarthayajña* is basically internalised worship is also hinted at in 10.12cd–13 above, and in 13.2, which reads:

bahuvighnakaro hy artho bahvāyāsakaras tathā | brahmahatyā ivendrasya pravibhāgaphalā smṛtā || 11:6 ||

Material objects (*artha*) bring countless obstacles and great hardship—just as Indra's slaying of the Brahmin [Viśvarūpa] resulted in [sin] being distributed [among trees, lands etc.].

pañcaśodhyena śodhyeta arthayajño varānane | śodhite tu phalaṃ śuddham aśuddhe niṣphalaṃ bhavet || 11:7 ||

Material sacrifice may be purified with the five purifications, O Varānanā. When purified, its fruits too are pure; when impure, it yields no fruit.

devy uvāca | pañcaśodhye suraśreṣṭha saṃśayo 'tra bhaven mama | kathayasva vibhāgena śrotum icchāmi tattvatah || 11:8 ||

The Goddess spoke: I am not sure about the five purifications, O Suraśreṣṭha. Please teach [them to] me one by one, I want to hear them just as they really are.

rudra uvāca |
manaḥśuddhis tu prathamaṃ dravyaśuddhir ataḥ param |
mantraśuddhis tṛtīyā tu karmaśuddhir ataḥ param |
pañcamī sattvaśuddhis tu kratuśuddhiś ca pañcadhā || 11:9 ||

Rudra spoke: First is the purification of the mind, then the purification of the substances; third is the purification of mantras, then

^{11.6} The context of *pādas* cd is this: Viśvarūpa was a son of Tvaṣṭṛ. Viśvarūpa's heads were struck off by Indra and Indra's sins were distributed among the earth, water, trees, and women. See, e.g., *Bhāgavatapurāṇa* 6.9.6:

brahmahatyām añjalinā jagrāha yad apīśvaraḥ | saṃvatsarānte tad aghaṃ bhūtānāṃ sa viśuddhaye | bhūmyambudrumayoṣidbhyaś caturdhā vyabhajad dhariḥ ||

^{&#}x27;Even though [Indra was] the Lord, he took on himself, with folded hands, the sin of killing a Brahmin. At the end of the year, Hari [= Indra] distributed that sin in four parts to the earth, water, trees and women for the self-purification of living beings.'

the purification of the ritual; the fifth is the purification of Sattva. The purification of the sacrifice is [thus] fivefold.

manaḥśuddhir nāma aviparītabhāvanayā | dravyaśuddhir nāma ananyāyopārjitadravyena || 11:10 ||

Purification of the mind is by mentally creating what is not against [the rule or Dharma]. Purification of the substances is through [using] only lawfully obtained materials.

mantraśuddhir nāma svaravyañjanayuktatayā | kriyāśuddhir nāma yathākramāviparītatayā | sattvaśuddhir nāma rajastama-apradhānatayā || 11:11 ||

Purification of mantras is by correctly linking vowels to consonants. Purification of the ritual is by not altering the proper sequence [of the elements of ritual]. Purification of Sattva is through the non-prevalence of Rajas and Tamas.

vidhim evaṃ yadā śudhyed yadi yajñaṃ karoti hi | tasya yajñaphalāvāptir janmamṛtyuś ca no bhavet || 11:12 ||

He who has purified the ritual (*vidhi*) thus and has performed the sacrifice, will obtain the fruits of the sacrifice, and will not undergo births and deaths [any more].

vinārthena tu yo yajñaṃ karoti varasundari | na tasya tatphalāvāptiḥ sarvayajñeṣv aśeṣataḥ || 11:13 ||

^{11.9} Pāda a is unmetrical unless the *krama* licence is applied for the first syllable of *prathamam* (for *prathamā*), turning the line into a *na-vipulā*.

Sets of five types of purification are a commonplace in Tantric Śaivism, but they are usually somewhat different form what we see here. They usually include ātmaśuddhi, sthānaśuddhi, dravyaśuddhi, mantraśuddhi and lingaśuddhi. See Goodall's entry on this in TAK III s.v. dravyaśuddhi.

^{11.10} The passage 11.10–11 is in fact prose.

^{11.12} An alternative to my conjecture in $p\bar{a}da$ a (yadā śudhyed for yadā sūyed, sūryed, pūrya, and pūyed) has been suggested by Dominic Goodall, namely that one could apply the reading of C_{45} thus: yadāpūrya ('when having completed').

But he who performs the sacrifice without materials, O Varasundarī, will gain not only its fruits, but the fruits of all sacrifices without exception.

yajñavāṭa kurukṣetraṃ sattvāvāsakṛtālayaḥ | pratyāhāra mahāvedi kuśaprastara saṃyamaḥ || 11:14 ||

The sacrificial ground is [now the inner] Kurukṣetra. The abode made is [now:] dwelling in Truth (sattva). The great altar is the withdrawal of the senses (pratyāhāra). The kuśa grass seat is restraint (samyama) [in internalised sacrifice].

vidhi niyamavistāro dhyānavahniḥ pradīpitaḥ | yogendhanasamijjvālatapodhūmasamākulaḥ || 11:15 ||

Vedic injunction (*vidhi*) is the great collection of Niyama-rules. [The Vedic ritual fire is now] the fire of meditation (*dhyāna*) lit

Kurukṣetra was defined as an internalised pilgrimage place in 10.12, which fits well with the presently introduced teaching of internalised sacrifice. Both are summarised, together with bodily penance, in 13.2 (see note to 11.5). The term *sattvāvāsa* has elsewhere, but probably not here, a distinctively Buddhist flavour, denoting the seven or nine 'abodes of beings,' see, e.g., Edgerton 1953, vol. 2, s.v. *sattvāvāsa*, and Sferra 2022, 1155. Note that if *pāda* c followed the pattern of *pāda* a, namely that 'X in Vedic ritual is now Y in this internalised sacrifice,' we would need to read *mahāvedi pratyāhāra*, but that would be unmetrical.

samyama is mentioned only a few times in the VSS (e.g., in a similar context, in 22.12), and is never explained, in contrast with the *niyama*-rules mentioned in the next verse, which are expounded in detail in 5.1–8.44. samyama may perhaps be used here in the sense in which it appears in the YS: the yogic application, or appearance, of dhāraṇā, dhyāna, and samādhi at the same time (see Yogasūtra 3.1–4).

^{11.13} I tentatively interpret sarvayajñeşu in pāda d as a locative for genitive, and in a sense that does not reflect the meaning in which I took sarvayajñaḥ in 11.1a above. Compare the conclusion of this section, 11.24cd: āsahasrasya yajñānāṃ phalaṃ prāpnoti nityaśah.

^{11.14} It would be easy to correct yajñavāṭa in pāda a to yajñavāṭaḥ, and to normalise all the similarly positioned stem form nouns in the following verses because there are no metrical constrains that would prevent us from doing so, but it seems to me that there is a pattern here and that these stem forms are being emphasised, highlighted, or being items in a list (see 11.14c and d, 15a, 16a and b, 17a, 18d, etc.). Nevertheless, some of the expression in the upcoming verses should be interpreted as bahuvrīhis qualifying the sacrificer or yogin. In fact, we could read yajñavāṭakurukṣetraḥ and pratyāhāramahāvediḥ as bahuvrīhis here.

and flaring with the fuel of the firewood of yoga and abounding in the smoke of penance.

pātranyāsa śivajñānaṃ sthālīpāka śivātmakaḥ | ājyāhutim avicchinnaṃ lambakasruvapātitaḥ || 11:16 ||

The placing of the chalice is the knowledge of Śiva. [The offering of] boiled rice is [now the process of] be[com]ing Śiva. The continuous oblation of clarified butter (ājyāhuti) is poured with the ritual ladle (sruva) of the uvula (lambaka).

dhāraṇādhvaryuvat kṛtvā prāṇāyāmaś ca ṛtvijaḥ | tarkayuktaḥ savistāraḥ samādhir vayatāpanaḥ || 11:17 ||

Concentration (*dhāraṇā*) takes the role of the Adhvaryu [priest; the phases of] breath control will be the [other Vedic] priests[, the Hotṛ, the Brahman, and the Udgātṛ]. Extensive Samādhi, accompanied by reflection (*tarka*) is the [Vedic ritual of] burning the oblation (*vaya*[s]-tāpana).

brahmavidyāmayo yūpaḥ paśubandho manonmanaḥ | śraddhā patnī viśālākṣi saṃkalpa pada śāśvatam || 11:18 ||

The sacrificial post is made of the knowledge about the Brahman. The binding of the sacrificial animal is [the mental state called]

^{11.15} I have chosen the reading in pāda b that is the easiest to interpret. Alternatively, the intended expression may have been dhyānena vahniḥ pradīpitaḥ. Instead of taking 'samijjvāla' as a tatpuruṣa compound in pāda c ('samidh-jvāla'), consider emending it to 'samujjvāla', which would stand metri causa for 'samujjvala'.

^{11.16} The interpretation of $p\bar{a}da$ b is tentative. Ignoring the problems concerning grammatical gender and case, we may presume that the intended meaning in $p\bar{a}das$ cd could be expressed thus: $\bar{a}jy\bar{a}hutir\ avicchinn\bar{a}\ lambik\bar{a}sruvena\ p\bar{a}tit\bar{a}$. I suspect that lambaka simply stands for $lambik\bar{a}$ ('uvula'), which fits the internalised nature of this ritual. See also $ghantik\bar{a}$ possibly as 'uvula' in 10.32d.

^{11.17} Understand pādas a as dhāraṇām adhvaryuvat kṛtvā (dhāraṇā in the MSS being in stem form). Note how taking 11.14c and 15b together with the present verse, all six auxiliaries of the ṣaḍaṅgayoga of VSS chapter 16 have now been mentioned in this chapter. See 16.18:

pratyāhāras tathā dhyānam prānāyāmas ca dhāranā | tarkas caiva samādhis ca ṣaḍango yoga ucyate ||.

My interpretation of *vayatāpana* in *pāda* d as 'burning of oblation' (*vaya* possibly standing for *vayas* metri causa) is tentative.

mind-nonmind (*manonmanas*). [The householder's] wife is Faith, O Viśālākṣī. [His] ritual resolve (*saṃkalpa*) is the attainment of the eternal abode.

pañcendriyajayotpannaḥ puroḍāśo 'mṛtāśanaḥ | brahmanādo mahāmantraḥ prāyaścittānilo jayaḥ || 11:19 ||

The rice-offering is the consumption of the nectar of immortality, born from conquering the five senses. The great [Vedic] mantra is [now] the sound of Brahmā. Expiation is mastery over breath.

somapāna parijñānam upākarma caturyamaḥ | itihāsa jalasnānaṃ purāṇakṛta-m-ambaraḥ || 11:20 ||

Drinking Soma is [substituted now with] complete knowledge. The commencement [of the Vedic ritual] is the four Yama-rules. The ritual water-bath is [the study of] the Itihāsa, and his garment is made of [his study of] the Purānas.

^{11.18} Verse 11.49 below mentions *manonmanas* again. Verse 19.43 mentions *manonmanaḥ* as the final state of becoming equal to Śiva. The final section of VSS chapter 20, a chapter on the *tattvas* of Sāṃkhya, discusses the perhaps similar mental state of *unmanas*:

unmanastvam gate vipra nibodha daśalakṣaṇam | na śabdaṃ śṛṇute śrotram śankhabherīsvanād api ||, etc.

In pāda d, understand saṃkalpaḥ padam śāśvatam (both saṃkalpa and pada are stem form nouns in the verse, the latter metri causa).

^{11.19} The term brahmanāda in pāda c may refer to the same concept as brahmabilasvara does in 11.29d. It may be the same as the (haṭha)yogic concept of mahānāda ('great sound' or 'unstruck sound'), on which see Mallinson 2007, 225, nn. 359 and 361. My translation tentatively presupposes that mantra in mahāmatra refers to Vedic mantras, now contrasted with a yogic experience. (See mahāmantra referring to Vedic/Śrauta mantras in SkandaP 13.132cd: śrutigītair mahāmantrair mūrtimadbhir upasthitaiḥ.)

Understand *pāda* d as *prāyaścitto 'nilajayaḥ*. It would be possible to correct "*cittānilo* to "*citto 'nilo*, but since '*nilajayaḥ* would be unmetrical and since stem form nouns abound in this chapter, I believe that *prāyaścittānilo* could be original.

^{11.20} caturyamaḥ in pāda b is baffling. The VSS teaches ten Yama-rules in 3.16–4.89. Dominic Goodall has suggested that caturyamaḥ could stand for ca tu yamāḥ metri causa. Another possibility would be to interpret catur as caturtha ('fourth') and then the phrase may refer to the fourth Yama-rule, absence of hostility (ānṛṣáṃṣya, 4.31–49). Note the stem form itihāsa in pāda c, and see notes to verses 6.5 and 8.6 to clarify what itihāsa most probably means in the VSS (the Mahābhārata). There is a hiatus-filler (-m-) in pāda c in 'krta-m-ambarah, which is a metrical solution for 'krto 'mbarah.

iḍāsuṣumnāsaṃvedye snānam ācamanaṃ sakṛt | saṃtoṣātithim ādṛtya dayābhūtadvijārcitaḥ || 11:21 ||

Ritual bathing and sipping water takes place simultaneously at the confluence of Iḍā and Suṣumnā. Honouring Contentment as a guest, he salutes the Brahmin—Compassion.

brahmakūrca guṇātīta havirgandha nirañjanaḥ | brahmasūtraṃ trayas tattvaṃ bodhanā muṇḍitaṃ śiraḥ || 11:22 ||

The Brahmakūrca [observance] is the [state of mind called] 'beyond the Qualities' (guṇātīta), the fragrance of the sacrifice is the 'spotless' (nirañjana) [state of mind]. [His] sacred thread is the three truths (tattva); the shaven head [of the snātaka] is enlightenment.

On the brahmakūrca observance, see, e.g., Kane 1941–1962, vol. 4, 146, where the references given include Mitākṣarā ad Yājñavalkyasmṛti 3.314: yadā punaḥ pūrvedyur upoṣyāparedyuḥ samantrakaṃ saṃyujya samantrakam eva pañcagavyaṃ pīyate tadā brahmakūrca ity ākhyāyate; 'And when one fasts one day, and on the next day mixes the five products of the cow together while reciting mantras, and drinks [the mixture] while reciting mantras again, that is called brahmakūrca.'

On the *guṇātīta* state of mind, see 9.39-43. See the term *niraṇjana* mentioned as a characteristic of the soul ($j\bar{i}va$) in 1.11 and 15.4, of the *puruṣa* in 20.3, as a state of mind in 11.48, and as one of ten meditative states in 22.30.

It is difficult to know what the three tattvas mentioned in pāda c are. (Understand trayas tattvam as tattvatrayam, trīṇi tattvāni, tritattvāni, or tritattvam.) VSS chapter four teaches four tattvas as objects of meditation: ātman, vidyā, bhava, and sūkṣma (see, e.g., 4.72). VSS chapter six discusses five tattvas: sūrya, soma, agni, sphaṭika, and sūkṣma (see, e.g., 6.7). VSS chapter twenty enumerates the twenty-five tattvas of Sāṃkhya. One possibility would be to interpret the set of three tattvas as the three padārthas of the Śaivasiddhānta: pati, paśu, and pāśa. See, e.g., TAK III, s.v. patipaśupāśa. Dominic Goodall has tentatively suggested reading here in VSS 11.22c, with K₈₂, brahmasūtratrayam tattvam ('the three strands of the sacred thread is truth'). The problem is firstly that we have trayas tattvam repeated in 11.29c below, and secondly that what we need here is three entities compared to the three strands of the sacred thread. What is clear here is that even the investiture of the sacred thread (upanayana) is supposed to be internalised in this teaching of non-material sacrifice.

^{11.21} For the teaching on the internalised pilgrimage places Gangā, i.e. Suṣumnā, and Yamunā, i.e. Iḍā, and their internalised confluence, Prayāga, see 10.17. Note that Iḍā and Suṣumnā are then reinterpreted as Somatīrtha and Sūryatīrtha, respectively, in 10.20–21. saṃtoṣa° is either meant to be compounded with °atithim in pāda c or is in stem form for saṃtoṣam atithim; for the latter possibility cf., e.g., 11.17a above. Similarly, °dvija° may be in stem form in pāda d, for °dvijo 'rcitah, or simply correct it to the same.

^{11.22} Note the stem form nouns in pādas ab.

nivṛttyādi caturvedaś catuḥprakaraṇāsanaḥ | dakṣiṇām abhayaṃ bhūte dattvā yajñaṃ yajet sadā || 11:23 ||

The four Vedas are [now] *nivṛṭṭi* etc. His seat is the four *prakaraṇa*s. He should always perform a[n internalised] sacrifice after offering the priestly fee of granting being[s] freedom from danger.

vinārthaṃ yajñasamprāptiḥ kathitā te varānane | āsahasrasya yajñānāṃ phalaṃ prāpnoti nityaśaḥ || 11:24 ||

The attainment of sacrifice without materials has been taught to you, O Varānanā. [The sacrificer] shall, in any case, gain the fruits of up to a thousand [Vedic] sacrifices.

āśramaḥ prathamas tubhyaṃ kathito 'sti varānane | sadāśivena saddharmam daivatair api pūjitam || 11:25 ||

The first social discipline (āśrama) has been taught to you, O Varānanā, [as revealed] by Sadāśiva; [this is] the true Dharma, revered even by the gods.

^{11.23} My assumption is that pāda a here hints at those four, later five, categories, called kalās, that are well-known from Tantric Śaivism: nivṛtti, pratiṣṭhā, vidyā, śānti, and śāntyatīta. For this, I had to emend the reading found in all witnesses consulted, nivṛtyā°. I consider nivṛti for nivṛtti a common and plausible error. As Dominic Goodall has suggested, here the four kalās, originally possibly the four Śaktis of the Lord, may be reinterpreted as yogic states. The fact that the VSS is aware of only four kalās here may hint at a relatively early date of composition of this section (see pp. 28 ff). On the history and interpretation of these kalās, see TAK II s.v. kalā 6.

catuḥprakaraṇāsanaḥ may be taken as catuḥprakaraṇāny āsanam, or, as I take it in my translation, a bahuvrīhi compound qualifying the practitioner. As to what the four prakaraṇas ('chapters'?) refer to here, I am without a clue. Perhaps the phrase was meaningful in a context whereof this section was taken out. It may stand for yogic karaṇas, postures, which are mentioned, but then not clearly described, in 16.1:

adhunā śrotum icchāmi yogasadbhāvanirṇayam | karaṇam ca yathānyāyam kathayasva sureśvara ||.

^{11.25} sadāśivena in pāda c could also be interpreted as the agent of pūjitam in pāda d ('it is revered by Sadāśiva'), but Sadāśiva was mentioned as the original teacher of this ritual in 11.4 above, which makes it probable that he is being referred to in a similar manner here. Cf. also 11.30 below.

[brahmacārī — The chaste one]

brahmacaryaṃ nibodhedaṃ śṛṇuṣvāvahitā śubhe | dvitīyam āśramaṃ devi sarvapāpavināśanam || 11:26 ||

[Now] listen to this, the practice of chastity (*brahmacarya*). Pay close attention, O Śubhā. This is the second social discipline (*āśrama*), O Devī—the destroyer of all sins.

vrataṃ brahmaparaṃ dhyānaṃ sāvitrī prakṛti-r-layam | brahmasūtrākṣaraṃ sūkṣmaṃ triguṇālaya mekhalam || 11:27 ||

Religious observance is [now] meditation focused on the Brahman. The Sāvitrī [hymn] is absorption in Prakṛti. The Brahmanical cord (*brahmasūtra*) is the subtle syllable; the girdle is the abode of the three Qualities (*guṇa*).

dama daṇḍa dayā pātraṃ bhikṣā saṃsāramocanam | tryāyuṣaṃ dvyakṣarātītaṃ jñānabhasma-alaṅkṛtam || 11:28 ||

The staff is self-restraint, the begging-bowl is compassion. Alms are liberation from transmigration (*saṃsāra*). The Tryāyuṣa is the one beyond the two syllables. [The three lines are] prepared with

^{11.26} idam in nibodhedam in pāda a sounds clumsy with brahmacaryam (lit. 'listen to this practice of chastity') but in fact the MBh and the Purāṇas contain countless similar, albeit smoother, expressions, e.g., MBh 5.145.15ab (duryodhana nibodhedam kulārthe yad bravīmi te), BrahmaP 133.10ab (bharadvāja nibodhedam vākyam mama samāsataḥ), etc. See some remarks on the disciplines, or life-stages (āśrama), and especially on their order, in the VSS in Kiss 2021.

^{11.27} One could emend prakṛtir layam in pāda b to the expected prakṛtau layaḥ (see, e.g., AgniP 379.1d: vairāgyāt prakṛtau layam). Nevertheless, I retained the reading of $C_{94}K_{82}K_7E$ because it may have been the way in which the compound prakṛtilaya was originally made metrical. In other words, I suspect the -r- to be only a link between the two elements of this compound. I also retained the neuter ending. Compare 16.8d, where the same expression is transmitted in all the witnesses consulted so far as prakṛtālayam.

Note the stem form nouns in *pādas* cd (*°sūtra* and *°ālaya*). The 'subtle syllable' may be *oṃ* (cf. 1.9–10), traditionally analysed as made up of three sounds, here corresponding to the three strands of the sacred thread. In *pāda* d, *triguṇālaya* might rather mean 'absorption in the three Qualities' (*triguṇeṣu layaḥ*) although in my translation I translate it as *triguṇa-ālayaḥ*.

the ashes of knowledge.

snānavrataṃ sadāsatyaṃ śīlaśaucasamanvitam | agnihotra trayas tattvaṃ japa brahmabilasvaraḥ || 11:29 ||

The vow of bathing is lifelong truthfulness, accompanied by purity and moral conduct. The Agnihotra sacrifice is the three *tattvas*. Recitation is the sound [heard] at the aperture of Brahmā.

dvitīya āśramo devi yathāha bhagavān śivaḥ | mamāpi kathitaṃ tubhyaṃ janmamṛtyuvināśanam || 11:30 ||

The second discipline (āśrama) has also been taught to you, O Devī, just as Lord Śiva taught it to me—the means to destroy birth and death.

[vānaprasthaḥ — The forest-dweller]

vānaprasthavidhim vakṣye śṛṇuṣvāyatalocane | yathāśrutaṃ yathātathyam ṛṣidaivatapūjitam || 11:31 ||

Listen, O Long-eyed goddess—I shall teach you the forest-dweller's way of life, revered by sages and gods alike, just as I heard it, just as it [truly] is.

^{11.28} The Tryāyuṣa is a Vedic mantra, see, e.g., Rgveda-khila 5.3.6: tryāyuṣam ja-madagneh kaśyapasya tryāyuṣam | agastyasya tryāyuṣam yad devānām tryāyuṣam tan no astu tryāyuṣam |; 'The threefold vitality of [the sage] Jamadagni, that of [the sage] Kaśyapa, and of Agastya, that which is that of the gods—may it be ours!' (translation based on Bisschop et al. 2021, 28). 'In the Vedic domestic ritual codes, this is the mantra to be recited over the razor or over the student who is about to be shaven before bathing at the end of his studies' (ibid.). In ŚivaUp 5.20ab, this mantra is prescribed to accompany the application of the tripuṇḍra—the three lines on the forehead. Thus here in VSS 11.28cd, tryāyuṣa and the mention of ashes make it clear that the next element of the ritual life of the brahmacārin to be internalised is the application of the tripuṇḍra. As for the dvyakṣarātīta, which should be a mantra, it perhaps means a three-syllable mantra, possibly a-u-m or śivāya.

^{11.29} On the problem of understanding what the three *tattvas* are in this text, and on the phrase *trayas tattvam*, see notes on verse 11.22 above. Perhaps *brahmabilasvara* in *pāda* d refers to the same concept as *brahmanāda* does in 11.19c.

^{11.30} One may consider correcting $mam\bar{a}^\circ$ to $may\bar{a}^\circ$ ('it has been taught by me'), but mama, linked to the first hemistich, may be original, with api then—slightly unusually—placed at the beginning of a new phrase in the sense of 'too/also' (as, e.g., in Raghuvamśa 5.44 and 9.8c).

vairāgyavanam āśritya niyamāśramam āharet | śīlaśailadṛḍhadvāre prākāre vijitendriyaḥ || 11:32 ||

Having entered the forest of detachment, he should take residence in the hermitage of Niyama-rules, encircled by walls fortified by the stone gate of moral conduct, with his sense-faculties conquered.

adhibhūtaḥ smṛto mātā adhyātmaś ca pitā tathā | adhidaivikam ācāryo vyavasāyāś ca bhrātaraḥ || 11:33 ||

His mother is the material realm, his father is the Self; his guru is the divine; his brothers are his own resolutions.

śrutiḥ smṛtiḥ smṛtā bhāryā prajñā putraḥ kṣamānujaḥ | maitrī bandhur jaṭā cāpaṃ karuṇā supavitrakam | muditā mauna catvāraḥ sarvakāryam upekṣakā || 11:34 ||

Śruti and Smṛti are his wives; Wisdom is his son; Patience his younger brother. Benevolence is his kinsman, his twisted hair [and] his bow. Compassion is his sacred thread. Sympathy constitutes the four ways of observing silence. All his religious duties are equanimity.

^{11.32} āharet ('should take away, get, use') in pāda b is suspect; āvaset ('should settle') or āśrayet ('should take refuge') would make more sense in this context.

^{11.33} Note the *krama* licence applied in $p\bar{a}da$ d: the syllable *bhrā* does not make the previous syllable long.

I have accepted Dominic Goodall's suggestion to emend adhibhautika in pāda c to adhidaivika. In this way, we arrive at the well-know triad of adhibhūta, adhyātma, and adhidaivika (or more often: ādhibhautika, ādhyātmika, and ādhidaivika; see, e.g., Yogabhāsya ad YS 1.31 and 3.22, and SāmkhyK 1.1 in most commentators' interpretation). adhibhautika in pāda c may be the result of an eyeskip to pāda a, and the final -m of adhidaivika could be interpreted as a hiatus-filler. The triad in question usually qualify three types of suffering or bad omen: pertaining to the material world, one's own self or body, and to the world of gods, respectively. Here in the VSS, they seem to refer to realms of knowledge, or as Bhagavadgītā 8.1–4, a possible source for the present verse, define them, adhibhūta is mundane existence (kṣaro bhāvaḥ), adhyātma is one's true nature (svabhāvaḥ), and adhidaivata the puruṣa.

^{11.34} *bhāryā* in $p\bar{a}da$ a is probably meant to be in the dual (*bhārye*) but the use of the singular could be original. Note how notions expressed by feminine nouns in $p\bar{a}da$ b are associated with male relatives (*prajñā* is a son, *kṣamā* a brother).

In *pāda* c, *jaṭā cāpaṃ* is problematic. One would expect here an abstract notion corresponding to a real-life element of the forest-dweller life, as in the above verses. Also, a bow is not naturally associated with the life of a forest hermit. *jaṭā* and *cāpa* are either still

yamavalkalasaṃvītas tapaḥkṛṣṇājinādharaḥ | uttarāsaṅgam āsīno yogapaṭṭadṛḍhavrataḥ || 11:35 ||

Instead of bark-cloth, he wears the Yama-rules; instead of the black antelope skin, he wears austerity. He sits upon the supreme seat of non-attachment, his yogic belt is a firm observance.

vedaghoṣeṇa ghoṣeṇa prāṇāyāmo 'gnihāvanam | jitaprāṇa mṛgākūlo dhṛti yajñaḥ kriyā japaḥ || 11:36 ||

The fire-offering accompanied by the murmuring of the Vedas becomes breath-control accompanied by its hissing sound. The herd of deer [in the forest where the forest-dweller normally lives] is [now his] conquered breaths. His sacrifice is resolve; his ritual is mantra-recitation.

arthasaṃgraha śāstreṣu sakhā damadayādayaḥ | śivayajñaṃ prayuñjīta sādhanāṣṭakapūjanam || 11:37 ||

identified with *maitrī* (that is how I translate the *pāda*) or there is a need to emend, e.g., to *jaṭācāraḥ* ('good conduct is his twisted hair'). I prefer the former solution because in this way the four Buddhist *brahmavihāras—maitrī-karuṇā-muditā-upekṣā*—appear in one uninterrupted sequence. One could even emend to *jaṭā cāyaṃ* or *jaṭā cāpi*. The *brahma-vihāras* may seem to be out of context in a Brahmanical text but the source for them may have been YS 1.33: *maitrīkaruṇāmuditopekṣāṇām sukhaduḥkhapuṇyāpuṇyaviṣayāṇām bhāvanātaś cittaprasādanam*. See them mentioned also in verse 4.71 above, and in 11.56 below.

Note mauna in $p\bar{a}da$ e in stem form, and $upekṣak\bar{a}$ for $upekṣ\bar{a}$, both metri causa. For the four maunss, see 4.69.

11.35 I think that K_7 's *jinādharaḥ* in *pāda* b may be the original reading, and it lengthens the final *a* of *jina*° metri causa, and the remaining sources try to restore the standard form of *ajina* and thus ruin the metre. Cf., e.g., MBh 1.123.18:

sa kṛṣṇaṃ maladigdhāṅgaṃ kṛṣṇājinadharaṃ vane | naiṣādiṃ śvā samālakṣya bhaṣaṃs tasthau tadantike ||.

The accusative *uttarāsaṅgam* in *pāda* c is acceptable, but one may understand the final -m as a hiatus-filler after a locative (°saṅga āsīno), or in the middle of a compound (°saṅgāsīno).

11.36 hāvana in pāda b stands for havana metri causa. I suspect that "mṛgākūlo in pāda c stands for an unmetrical mṛgakulo. Incidentally, even by inverting the order of the two elements in this pāda, there would remain the metrical error of two laghus: mṛgakulo jitaprāṇo. Also, note "prāṇa and dhṛṭi in pādas cd as nouns in stem form.

His collected goods are in the śāstras; his companions are self-control, compassion, and the like. He should sacrifice to Śiva by the worship that is the eight [yogic] practices (sādhana).

pañcabrahmajalaiḥ pūtaḥ satyatīrthaśivahrade | snānam ācamanam kṛtvā saṃdhyātrayam upāsayet || 11:38 ||

Purified by the waters of the five Brahma[-mantras], he should bathe and sip water in the auspicious (*śiva*) lake at the pilgrimage site of Truth, and should honour the three junctures of the day.

akṣamālā purāṇārthaṃ japa śāntaṃ divāniśam | jñānasalilasampūrṇa-m-itihāsakamaṇḍaluḥ || 11:39 ||

The rosary is the meaning of the Purāṇas. Recitation is his peace of mind by day and night. His jar of epics is filled with the water of knowledge.

pañcakarmakriyotkrānti japa pañcavidhaḥ sukham | sādhanaṃ śivasaṃkalpo yogasiddhiphalapradaḥ || 11:40 ||

The application of the five [medical] procedures (pañcakarman) is yogic suicide (utkrānti). Recitation corresponds to the five kinds of joy. The Śivasamkalpa [hymn] is [his yogic] practice (sādhana), yielding the fruits of yogic accomplishments.

^{11.37} See the word *saṃgraha* (here in stem form) used probably in a similar sense in 11.45 below. See a reference to eight *sādhana*s in *Dharmaputrikā* 2.1 (quoted in the apparatus to the present verse in the critical edition). These may or may not point to the same set of practices.

^{11.38} The reading of the witnesses in pāda d, upāśrayet, might be acceptable, but I consider my emendation, upāsayet, better, especially because that is the verb used in 11.58d below, in a similar context.

^{11.39} $P\bar{a}da$ b may allow for various interpretations. The one I have chosen seems to be the simplest. It involves a stem form noun, japa, and $s\bar{a}ntam$ in the sense of $s\bar{a}ntih$. Understand the middle of $p\bar{a}da$ s cd as containing a hiatus-filler to bridge the vowels in a standard $p\bar{a}$ $p\bar{a}$ $p\bar{a}$ $p\bar{a}$.

^{11.40} My translation of this verse is tentative. Note that *utkrānti* (usually in similar contexts: 'yogic suicide') is a *yogānga* in chapter sixteen. See also 17.31, which mentions suicide by entering fire. I take *japa* tentatively as a stem form noun, and *pañcavidhaḥ* as if it read *pañcavidhaṃ*. BodhisattvaBh 1.3.4 teaches five kinds of *sukha*: *hetusukhaṃ veditasukhaṃ duḥkhaprātipakṣikaṃ sukhaṃ veditopacchedasukham avyabādhyaň ca pañca-*

saṃtoṣaphalam āhāraḥ kāmakrodhaparājitaḥ | āśāpāśajayābhyāso dhyānayogaratipriyaḥ | atithibhyo 'bhayaṃ dattvā vānaprasthaś cared vratam || 11:41 ||

His food is the fruit of contentment. He conquers lust and anger. His practice is the victory over the trap of hope. He delights in the joy of yogic meditation. The forest-dweller should observe his vow by offering fearlessness to his guests.

vānaprastham ayaṃ dharmaṃ gadita yat pūrvam avadhāritaṃ saṃsāroddharaṇam anityaharaṇam ajñānanirmūlanam | prajñāvṛddhikaram amoghakaraṇaṃ kleśārṇavottāraṇaṃ janmavyādhiharam akarmadahanaṃ sevet sa dharmottamam || 11:42 ||

He should practise the Dharma of the forest-dweller—the supreme Dharma—which has been taught and which, when first properly understood, leads beyond rebirth, removes impermanence, uproots ignorance, increases wisdom, yields fruit, saves one from the flood

mam sukham. This would not be the first occasion in this chapter to see Buddhist categories introduced, see 11.34 above.

I think that E's silent correction of °pradaḥ to °pradam, making pāda d qualifying sādhanaṃ in pāda c, is reasonable, but since this form is not attested in any of the witnesses consulted, I hesitate to follow it. Nevertheless, I understand the sentence thus: that which is normally the śivasaṃkalpa is now, in this internalised version of the forest-dweller's life, (yogic) practice that yields siddhis. I suppose that the reference is to Vājasaneyisaṃhitā 34.1–6, usually called Śivasaṃkalpa:

yaj jāgrato dūram udaiti daivaṃ tad u suptasya tathaivaiti | dūraṃgamaṃ jyotiṣāṃ jyotir ekaṃ tan me manaḥ śivasaṃkalpam astu ||, etc.;

'The divine that travels far for the waking one moves just the same for the one who sleeps. That far-going, single light of all lights—may that mind of mine be endowed with auspicious resolve;' etc.

See this hymn referred to in Manu 11.251 in a context of expiation:

sakrj japtvāsyavāmīyam śivasamkalpam eva ca |

apahrtya suvarnam tu kṣaṇād bhavati nirmalaḥ ||.

In Olivelle's translation: 'A man who has stolen gold, on the other hand, becomes instantly stainless by reciting softly[? rather: once] the Asyavāmīya hymn and the Śivasaṃkalpa formulas.' Other texts that reference the Śivasaṃkalpa include Niśvāsa guhyasūtra 2.77, Agnipurāṇa 259.74, and Lingapurāṇa 1.64.76. See more on the Śivasaṃkalpa in Scheftelowitz 1906 and 1921.

11.41 Cf. 11.23 above on giving abhaya to guests.

of suffering, destroys rebirth and disease, and burns away bad karma.

[parivrājakaḥ — The wandering mendicant]

parivrājakadharmo 'yaṃ kīrtayiṣyāmi tac chṛṇu | sukhaduḥkhaṃ samaṃ kṛtvā lobhamohavivarjitaḥ || 11:43 ||

Now listen—I shall teach you the Dharma of the wandering mendicant (*parivrājaka*). Making joy and sorrow equal, he should abandon greed and delusion.

varjayen madhu māṃsāni paradārāṃś ca varjayet | varjayec ciravāsaṃ ca paravāsaṃ ca varjayet || 11:44 ||

He should avoid honey and meat, and other men's wives. He should avoid staying long [in one place], and avoid staying in the homes of others.

varjayet sṛṣṭabhojyāni bhikṣām ekāṃ ca varjayet | varjayet saṃgrahaṃ nityam abhimānaṃ ca varjayet || 11:45 ||

He should not eat discarded food, nor should he always beg from the same household. He should always refrain from amassing goods and from self-conceit.

susūkṣmaṃ manasā dhyātvā dṛśau pādaṃ vinikṣipet | na kupyeta anālābhe lābhe vāpi na harṣayet || 11:46 ||

^{11.42} Metre: śārdūlavikrīdita. In some MSS, pāda a gives a first impression of being an anuṣṭubh line with metrical problems. But, as Dominic Goodall remarked, the variants suggest that it may belong to the upcoming Śārdūlavikrīdita verse. This is all the more so because that verse would otherwise contain only three pādas. My reconstruction of the now pāda a is still highly problematic; gadita is in stem form, and the final syllable of pūrvam scans as heavy. While these are acceptable in the language of the VSS (see pp. 30 ff), some elements remain questionable, namely the first syllable of dharmam as a short syllable, and the second syllable of avadhāritam as long. The pāda may have gone through some heavy corruption, possibly involving an eyeskip to 11.43a. It is also unclear if the first half of the pāda is to be interpreted as vānaprastham ayam, vānaprastho 'yam [sevet], vānaprastham idam, or vānaprasthamayam. I translate the first of these options, taking both ayam and dharmam as neuter nominative. Word-final short syllables treated as heavy also appear in pādas bcd: 'haraṇam (twice), 'karam, and 'haram.

^{11.45} See the term arthasamgraha in 11.37c, probably in a sense similar to that in $p\bar{a}da$ c here.

Meditating on the extremely subtle one, he should keep his gaze fixed on his own feet [while begging]. He should not get angry if he receives nothing, nor rejoice if he does.

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arthatṛṣṇāsv anudvigno roṣe vāpi sudāruṇe |
stutinindā samaṃ kṛṭvā priyaṃ vāpriyam eva vā || 11:47 ||
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He should remain unmoved by thirst for material things, and untouched by violent anger. He should treat praise and blame equally, as well as pleasant and pain.

niyamās tu parīdhānaṃ saṃyamāvṛtamekhalaḥ | nirālambaṃ manaḥ kṛtvā buddhiṃ kṛtvā nirañjanām || 11:48 ||

His garment is the Niyama-rules, and his girdle is constraint (*saṃyama*). He should make his mind supportless, his intellect spotless.

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okkhittacakkhu antaraghare gamissāmīti sikkhā karaṇīyā |
okkhittacakkhu antaraghare nisīdissāmīti sikkhā karaṇīyā | [...]
pattasaññī piṇḍapātaṃ paṭiggahessāmīti sikkhā karaṇīyā |
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In Bhikkhu Nāṇatusita's translation (Nāṇatusita 2014, 294 and 303): "I shall go with the eyes cast down inside an inhabited area," thus the training is to be done. "I shall sit with the eyes cast down inside an inhabited area," thus the training is to be done. [...] "I shall accept alms-food paying attention to the bowl," thus the training is to be done. 'The last of these sentences opens up another possibility for emending the text of the VSS: pādaṃ might perhaps be considered as a corruption from pātraṃ ('on his bowl'). I am not aware of similar Dharmaśāstric teachings on avoiding eye-contact. The closest could be BaudhDhS 1.5.11 on observing silence while begging (vāgyatas tiṣṭbet). Not even Manu 5.50–60, a longer section on begging, prohibits eye-contact. If there are indeed no Brahmanical rules on this topic, the verse above in the VSS could be another piece of evidence for Buddhist influence.

^{11.46} The 'extremely subtle one' (susūkṣma) is usually an epithet of the highest divinity, most often Śiva. See VSS 1.1b, 15.13 (susūkṣmaḥ sarvago vyāpī...), 22.27cd (tasya madhye 'mbaraṃ dhyāyet susūkṣmam śivam avyayam); see also Śivadharmottara 10.45ab (on the 27th Tattva): saptāviṃśatimaḥ śāntaḥ susūkṣmaḥ parameśvaraḥ, Dharmaputrikā 1.1a: nityaṃ śāntaṃ susūkṣmaṃ tribhuvananamitaṃ sarvasattvaikanātham, etc.

Pāda b is suspect as transmitted in the MSS (in most sources it reads śucau pādaṃ vinikṣipet: 'he should place his foot in the pure'?). My conjecture (dṛśau) results in something close to the early Buddhist rule given in the Pāli Pātimokkha on begging, which states that the monk should not make eye-contact with the donor. See Pātimokkha Sekhiyā 7–8 and 28:

^{11.47} In pāda c, understand stutinindā as a dual (or singular) accusative.

^{11.48} On samyama, see notes on 11.14 above.

ātmānaṃ pṛthivīṃ kṛtvā khaṃ ca kṛtvā manonmanam | tridaṇḍaṃ triguṇaṃ kṛtvā pātraṃ kṛtvākṣaro 'vyayaḥ || 11:49 ||

The ground is his self; the sky the mind-nonmind [state] (manonmana). The triple staff [of the parivrājaka] is the three qualities (guṇa); his begging bowl is the imperishable syllable.

nyased dharmam adharmam ca īrṣyādveṣam parityajet | nirdvandvo nityasatyastho nirmamo nirahamkṛtaḥ || 11:50 ||

He should abandon both Dharma and Adharma, and should give up envy and hatred. He should be indifferent to opposites, always dwell in truthfulness, being unselfish, humble.

divasasyāṣṭame bhāge bhikṣāṃ saptagṛhaṃ caret | na cāsīta na tistheta na ca dehīti vā vadet || 11:51 ||

He should go on his alms round, visiting seven houses at the eighth part of the day. He should not sit, he should not stay, and he should not say: 'Give me!'

yathālābhena varteta aṣṭau piṇḍān dine dine | vastrabhojanaśayyāsu na prasajyeta vistaram || 11:52 ||

He should live on what is available, sustaining himself on eight mouthfuls a day. He should not cling for long to clothes, food, or a bed.

nābhinandeta maraṇaṃ nābhinandeta jīvitam | indriyāṇi vaśaṃkṛtvā kāmaṃ hatvā yatavrataḥ || 11:53 ||

He should nor rejoice in death, he should not rejoice in life. Having conquered his senses and overcome desire, firm in his observances,

^{11.49 °}kṣaram avyayam in pāda d would be hypermetrical, that is probably why the nominative appears here. On the 'triple staff' of the renouncer, see Olivelle 1992, 64, 69, 79, 99, 106, and, e.g., Baudhāyanadharmasūtra 2.(10).18.1: ekadaṇḍī tridaṇḍī vā.

^{11.51} According to *Manu* 6.56, the wandering ascetic should go around begging after people have finished their meal. MBh Suppl. 1.52.36 (= LakṣmīNārS 1.238.18ab = VāsiṣṭhaDhS 11.36ab) suggests that the 'eighth part of the day' is around sunset: *divasasyāṣṭame bhāge mandībhūte divākare*.

atītaṃ ca bhaviṣyaṃ ca na bhikṣuś cintayet sadā | krodhamānamadadarpān parivrāḍ varjayet sadā || 11:54 ||

the mendicant (*bbikṣu*) should never think about the past or the future. The wandering mendicant (*parivrāj*) should always avoid anger, self-conceit, intoxication, and pride.

virāgam tu dhanuḥ kṛtvā prāṇāyāmaguṇair yutam | dhāraṇāśaratīkṣṇena mṛgaṃ hatvā manendriyam || 11:55 ||

Making detachment a bow, strung with the cord of breath-control, he should slay the beast that is the mind and the sense-faculties with the sharp arrow of concentration.

maitrīkhadgasutīkṣṇena saṃsārāriṃ nikṛntayet | karuṇāvartacakreṇa krodhamattagajaṃ jayet | muditāvarmabaddhāṅgas tūṇaṃ pūrṇam upekṣayā || 11:56 ||

He should pierce the enemy that is transmigration with the exceedingly sharp knife of friendliness. He should defeat the rutting elephant of anger with the whirling discus of compassion. His body should be clad in the armour of sympathy; his quiver full of equanimity.

anakṣaraṃ paraṃ brahma cintayet satataṃ dvija | brahmaṇo hṛdayaṃ viṣṇur viṣṇoś ca hṛdayaṃ śivaḥ | śivasya hrdayam samdhyā tasmāt samdhyām upāsayet || 11:57 ||

He should constantly recall the inexpressible syllable—the supreme Brahman, O Brahmin. Brahmā's heart is Viṣṇu; Viṣṇu's heart is Śiva; Śiva's heart is the junctures of the day. Therefore, he should worship the junctures.

saṃsārārṇavatāraṇaṃ śubhagatiḥ sa brahma saṃdhyākṣaraṃ dhyāyen nityam atandrito hy anupamaṃ vyaktātmavedyaṃ śivam |

^{11.54} Pāda c is a sa-vipulā.

^{11.55} Understand pāda c as dhāraṇātīkṣṇaśareṇa.

^{11.56} Understand *pāda* a as *maitrīsutīkṣṇakhadgena*, which is even metrical. Note the four Buddhist *brahmavihāras*, *maitrī*, *karuṇā*, *muditā*, and *upekṣā*, mentioned in this verse. They appear also in verses 4.71 and 11.56 above.

rūpair varṇaguṇādibhiś ca vihitaṃ durlakṣyalakṣyottamaṃ yatnoddhṛtya samāśrayet suraguruṃ sarvārtihartā haram || 11:58 ||

[Śiva] is deliverance from the ocean of worldly existence, the path to happiness, the Brahman, the junctures, the [sacred] syllable. Always, without weariness, one should meditate on matchless Śiva, who is to be recognized as the manifest soul. He should take refuge in Hara, who is without form, colour, qualities etc.; who is the supreme goal, difficult to perceive, honouring with effort the divine guru who removes all suffering.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe caturāśramadharmavidhāno nāmādhyāya ekādaśamaḥ ||

Here ends the eleventh chapter in the *Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha* called Regulations concerning the four life-stages.

^{11.58} Metre: śārdālavikrīdita. Note vibita in pāda c probably in the sense of 'devoid of.' I take yatnoddbṛtya in pāda d as yatnenoddbṛtya, yatna being in stem form, and "bartā as nominative for accusative.

[dvādaśamo 'dhyāyaḥ] [Chapter Twelve]

[ātithyadharmaḥ — Rules of hospitality]

devy uvāca | ahiṃsā paramo dharmaḥ satataṃ parikīrtyate | ātithyakānāṃ dharmaṃ ca kathayasva yad uttamam || 12:1 ||

The Goddess spoke: Non-violence is always praised as the highest Dharma. Teach me also the supreme Dharma of hospitality.

maheśvara uvāca | ahiṃsātithyakānāṃ ca śṛṇu dharmaṃ yad uttamam | trailokyam akhilaṃ devi ratnapūrṇaṃ sulocane || 12:2 ||

Maheśvara spoke: Listen to the supreme Dharma of non-violence and that of hospitality. O beautiful-eyed goddess, [even if] all the three worlds, filled with wealth,

caturvedavide dānam na tattulyam ahiṃsakaḥ | śṛṇu dharmam atithyānāṃ kīrtayiṣyāmi sundari || 12:3 ||

[were given as] a gift to [a Brahmin who] knows the four Vedas, [even that] would not equal [the merit of one] refrains from causing harm. Listen [now] to the Dharma of the hospitable ones. I shall teach it [to you], O beautiful one.

^{12.1} One could read *ahimsāparamo dharmaḥ* in *pāda* a. This would translate as 'A Dharma beyond non-violence is always being praised.' It is not entirely clear why *ahimsā* is mentioned at the beginning of this chapter. Also, I suspect that by *ātithyakānām dharmam*, one should simply understand *ātithyadharmam*.

^{12.2} Understand ahimsātithyakāmām as ahimsakānām ātithyakānām ca or ahimsāyā ātithyakānām ca.

^{12.3} Note that this verse appears to be all that Maheśvara teaches in this chapter on *ahimsā*, and that *tattulyam ahimsakaḥ* may either contain a sandhi bridge (*tattulyam-ahimsakaḥ*) or be interpreted as *dānaṃ na tat tulyam ahimsakena* or *ahimsakasya* ('that gift is not comparable to a non-violent person' or 'to that of a non-violent person'). *atithyānāṃ* in *pāda* c stands for *ātithyānāṃ*, *ātithyasya*, or *ātithyakānāṃ*, metri causa.

[vipulopākhyānam — Story of Vipula]

āsīd vṛttam purākhyānam nagare kusumāhvaye | kapilasya suto vidvān vipulo nāma viśrutaḥ || 12:4 ||

This is an old story of something that once happened in a city called Kusuma. [There lived] a famous and wise man named Vipula, the son of Kapila.

dharmanityo jitakrodhah satyavādī jitendriyah | brahmanyas ca kṛtajñas ca madbhaktah kṛtaniscayah || 12:5 ||

He always followed Dharma, had conquered anger, spoke only the truth, and had mastered his senses. He was pious, learned, and a devoted worshipper of mine.

dhanāḍhyo 'tithipūjyas' ca dātā dānto dayālukaḥ | nyāyārjitadhano nityam anyāyaparivarjitaḥ || 12:6 ||

He was wealthy and he honoured his guests. He was generous, self-restrained, and kind. His wealth always came through just means. He always kept away from dishonest dealings.

bhāryā ca rūpiṇī tasya candrabimbaśubhānanā | pīnottuṅgastanī kāntā sakalānandakāriṇī | pativratā patiratā patiśuśrūṣaṇe ratā || 12:7 ||

^{12.4} Kusumapura is Pāṭaliputra, or modern Patna, in Bihar. This is confirmed in verse 12.12, where the confluence of the river Gaṇḍakī and the Gaṅgā is mentioned as a local spot. The *dramatis personæ* in the following story are the following: Vipula—a merchant, Kapila's son; Vipula's wife; a Brahmin guest (Dharma in disguise?); a monkey; Bhīmabala—a traveller; Puṇḍaka—the foreman of the guild; King Siṃhajaṭa; Queen Kekayī; Caṇḍa and Vicaṇḍa—two envoys of the king; Citraratha—the king of the Gandharvas; Sūrya, Soma, Indra, Viṣṇu, and Brahmā.

^{12.5} *Pāda* d implies that Vipula is a Śaiva devotee, but there is little further indication in this story of Vipula's affiliation, except for 12.44, where Maheśvara is mentioned. The story as we have it here ends with a praise of Brahmā.

^{12.6} While one would normally translate $atithip\bar{u}jya$ (in $p\bar{a}da$ a) as 'to be worshipped by guests,' in the light of the story I suspect that the intended meaning is that he worshipped his guests.

He had a beautiful wife, whose face was as lovely as the disk of the moon. Her breasts were round and prominent, she was charming and a source of all pleasures. She was faithful and devoted to her husband and his needs.

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atha kenāpi kālena sūryarāga-m-abhūt tataḥ |
grastabhāgatrayas tv āsīt kṛṣṇamādhavamāsike || 12:8 ||
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Now, once there was an eclipse of the sun. Three quarters of it were eclipsed, and it took place in the dark half of the month of Mādhava [April-May].

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snātukāmāvatīryante sarve pauranṛpādayaḥ | devāś ca pitaraś caiva tarpyante vidhivat tathā || 12:9 ||
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Eager to take a ritual bath, the king and all the citizens went down [to the riverbank]. [There] they worshipped the gods and the ancestors according to the rules.

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kecij juhvati tatrāgnim kecid viprāmś ca tarpayet | kecid dānopatiṣṭhanti kecit stuvanti devatām || 12:10 ||
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Some offered sacrifices into the fire, some fed Brahmins, some gave gifts in service of others, while others praised the deity.

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dhyānayogaratāḥ kecit kecit pañcatape ratāḥ |
evaṃ pravartamāneṣu rājanādiṣu sarvaśaḥ || 12:11 ||
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Some practised yogic meditation, others were engrossed in five-fire penance (*pañcatapa*[s]). All around, ritual waving of lamps and [other ceremonies] were being performed.

^{12.8} In pāda b, understand sūryarāgam as sūryoparāgaḥ ('eclipse of the sun'). I take "rāga-m-abhūt an example of irregular sandhi for "rāgo 'bhūt.

^{12.9} Understand *pāda* a as *snātukāmā avatīryante*. It is an instance of double sandhi or of a stem form noun in sandhi with the following verb.

^{12.10} Understand agnim in $p\bar{a}da$ a as locative, and tarpayet in $p\bar{a}da$ b as plural. Note $d\bar{a}na$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c in stem form (for the instrumental).

^{12.11} rājanādiṣu in pāda d is suspect. The intended meaning may be 'the royals and other people,' but I prefer now the option to take it as a shortened form of nīrājanādiṣu, and that is how I translate it. Cf., e.g., ŚivaP 7.30.81cd: nīrājanādikaṃ kṛtvā pūjāśeṣaṃ samāpayet.

vipulo 'pi hi tatraiva gangāgaṇḍakisaṃgame | bhāryayā saha tatraiva snātvā kṣomavibhūṣaṇaḥ || 12:12 ||

Vipula too, having bathed at the confluence of the Gangā and the Ganḍakī, dressed in linen, together with his wife,

devatāguruviprāṇām anyeṣāṃ tarpaṇe rataḥ | tatrāvasarasamprāpto brāhmaṇo 'tithir āgataḥ || 12:13 ||

was engaged in satiating the deities, the gurus, the Brahmins, and others. Then, seizing the opportunity, a Brahmin approached them as a guest.

bhāryā tasyātirūpeṇa mohitā brahmaṇas tadā | brāhmaṇo 'pi tathaiveha rūpeṇāpratimo bhavet || 12:14 ||

The wife became infatuated with the Brahmin's extraordinary beauty. The Brahmin, [too, felt] the same. His beauty was unmatched in the world.

anyonyadṛṣṭisaṃsaktau jātau tau tu parasparam | vipulenāñjaliṃ kṛtvā brāhmaṇa saṃśitavrata || 12:15 ||

Their eyes became fixed on one another. Vipula joined his hands [and said:] 'O virtuous Brahmin,

ājñāpaya dvijaśreṣṭha adya me 'nugrahaṃ kuru | bhāryābhṛṭyapaśugrāma ratnāni vividhāni ca || 12:16 ||

^{12.12} Note *ganḍaki* metri causa for *ganḍakī* in *pāda* b.

^{12.14} Pāda d is suspect and the translation of pādas cd is tentative. The expression rūpeṇāpratimo/°pratimā bhuvi ('his/her beauty is unparalleled in the world') is common in the MBh and in the Purāṇas. Is that what was meant here? May a dual have been intended? An alternative reading, albeit requiring substantial emendations, could be: brāhmaṇo 'pi tathaivāha rūpeṇāpratimā bhuvi; 'The Brahmin [felt the same] and said [to himself,] her figure is unparalleled in the world.' Nevertheless, I retained the reading found in the MSS, and I interpret pāda d as an indication that this Brahmin was extraordinary, in fact a manifestation of Dharma.

^{12.15} While the apparatus here appears to indicate that in $p\bar{a}da$ a I am following E, in fact the majority of the remaining witnesses suggest the same reading.

I am at your service—be gracious to me now, O great Brahmin. My wife, my servants, my cattle, my village, and all kinds of jewels—[all are at your disposal].'

vipulenaivam uktas tu gṛhīto brāhmaṇo 'bravīt | yadi satyaṃ pradātāsi suprasannaṃ manas tava || 12:17 ||

Welcomed and honoured hospitably by Vipula, the Brahmin spoke: 'If you really intend to give, your heart is indeed very generous.'

vipula uvāca |
suprasannaṃ mano me 'dya suprasannaṃ tapaḥphalam |
śīghram ājñāpaya vipra yac cābhilaṣitaṃ tava |
adeyaṃ nāsti viprasya svaśiraḥprabhṛti dvija || 12:18 ||

Vipula spoke: 'My heart is generous today—generosity is the fruit of austerity. Command me without delay, O Brahmin. What is your desire? Nothing should be withheld from a Brahmin—not even one's own head, O Brahmin.'

brāhmaṇa uvāca | yady evaṃ vadase bhadra bhāryāṃ me dehi rūpiṇīm | svasti bhavatu bhadraṃ vaḥ kalyāṇaṃ bhava śāśvatam || 12:19 ||

The Brahmin spoke: 'If you speak in this way, dear Sir, then give me your beautiful wife. May happiness be yours, may you be fortunate, and may you prosper eternally!'

vipula uvāca | pratīccha bhāryāṃ suśroṇīṃ rūpayauvanaśālinīm | akutsitāṃ viśālākṣīṃ pūrṇacandranibhānanām || 12:20 ||

^{12.16 °}grāma in pāda c is in stem form, although it would be unproblematic to correct it to the neuter singular (to form a samāhārasamāsa).

^{12.17} Note that C_{02} 's omission of $p\bar{a}das$ cd here could be due to an eyeskip from *suprasannaṃ* in 12.17d to *suprasannaṃ* in 12.18a, although this would have also led to an omission of the next *vipula uvāca*.

^{12.18} $P\bar{a}da$ c is either a $sa\text{-}vipul\bar{a}$ or by applying the krama licence, by which °pra does not make vi° heavy, a $na\text{-}vipul\bar{a}$.

^{12.19} Pāda c has the metrical fault of two laghus in the second and third position.

In pāda d, bhava is less than satisfactory. One would normally expect bhavate/bhavatām/bhavatu in this context. Alternatively, it is possible that kalyāṇo bhava ('be happy') was meant, or E's reading (tava) could be accepted as a conjecture.

Vipula spoke: 'Accept my nice-buttocked, young and beautiful wife, who is blameless, large-eyed, and whose face resembles the full-moon.'

bhāryovāca | parityājyā kathaṃ nātha apāpāṃ tyajase katham | atīva hi priyāṃ bhāryāṃ nirdoṣāṃ ca kathaṃ tyajeḥ || 12:21 ||

The wife spoke: 'How can you abandon me, my lord? How can you cast away a woman who is sinless? How can you forsake a wife who is supremely kind and without fault?

sakhā bhāryā manuṣyāṇām iha loke paratra ca | dānaṃ vā sumahad dattvā yajño vā subahuḥ kṛtaḥ || 12:22 ||

A wife is a man's companion in this world and in the next. [Even if] a man gives enormous donations or performs countless sacrifices,

aputro nāpnuyāt svargam tapobhir vā suduṣkaraiḥ | śruto me pitṛbhiḥ prokto brāhmaṇaiś ca mamāntike || 12:23 ||

or undertakes severe penance, he cannot reach heaven without a son. I have heard this taught by my father, my uncles, and Brahmins in my presence.

aputro nāpnuyāt svargaṃ śrutaṃ me bahuśaḥ purā | mandapālo dvijaśreṣṭho gataḥ svargaṃ tapobalāt || 12:24 ||

A sonless man cannot reach heaven—I have heard this said so many times! The great Brahmin Mandapāla reached heaven as the fruit of his austerities,

dānāni ca bahūn dattvā yajñāṃś ca vividhāṃs tathā | vedāṃś ca japayajñāṃś ca kṛtvā sa dvijasattamaḥ || 12:25 ||

^{12.21} All witnesses consulted read sa instead of my conjectured ca in $p\bar{a}da$ d. sa might work if we read tyajet ($C_{45}C_{02}$) instead of tyajeh ($C_{94}K_{82}K_7$), but even this version sounds a bit out of context ('how can he abandon...').

^{12.23} Note *me* as instrumental in $p\bar{a}da$ c (Oberlies 2003, 102–103 [4.1.3]). I translate *pitrbhiḥ* in the same $p\bar{a}da$ as 'father and uncles,' and not as 'ancestors' because the former fits the context better.

^{12.24} Note *me* as instrumental again in *pāda* b. See details of Mandapāla's story, summarised here in verses 12.24cd–28ab, in MBh 1.220.5ff.

after giving abundant donations and performing various sacrifices— Vedic sacrifices and sacrifices of recitation, that great Brahmin.

prāptadvāro 'pi yasyāpi devadūtair nivāritaḥ | aputro nāpnuyāt svargam yadi yajñaśatair api || 12:26 ||

But even he, when he reached the very gate [of heaven], was stopped by the celestial messengers: "The sonless cannot enter heaven, not even after hundreds of sacrifices."

ity uktas tu cyutaḥ svargān mandapālo mahān ṛṣiḥ | putrān utpādayām āsa śāraṅgāṃś caturo dvijaḥ || 12:27 ||

Thus informed, the great sage Mandapāla fell from heaven. [Later,] the Brahmin begot four sons with a Śāraṅga-bird.

tena puṇyaprabhāveṇa svargaṃ prāpto hy avāritaḥ | kulatrāṇāt kalatrāsmi bharaṇād bhārya eva ca || 12:28 ||

By virtue of this, he entered heaven without obstruction. I am a wife (*kalatra*) because I protect the family (*kulatrāṇāt*), and I am a wife to be supported (*bhāryā*) because I bear [sons] (*bharaṇa*).

dārasaṃgraha putrārthe kriyate śāstradarśanāt | yāni santi gṛhe dravyaṃ grāmaghoṣagṛhāṇi ca || 12:29 ||

According to the Śāstras, taking a wife is for the sake of having sons. Give that Brahmin all the wealth you find at home—the village, the herdsmen's stations, and the houses,

^{12.25} Note dānāni bahūn for dānāni bahūni in pāda a. Understand pāda c as vedayajñān japayajñāmś ca krtvā. (See vedayajña mentioned in VSS 3.37a above.) On japayajña, see VSS 6.1–2 and 5 above, as well as, e.g., BhG 10.25c (yajñānām japayajño 'śmi) and Manu 2.86 (vidhiyajñāj japayajño viśiṣṭo daśabhir guṇaiḥ).

^{12.26} Pādas ab are not perfectly smooth syntactically; yasyāpi is difficult to integrate. Perhaps understand prāptadvāre 'pi yasmin sa devatūtair nivāritaḥ. Alternatively, yasya might reference svargaḥ.

^{12.28} Note that *pāda* c is the result of emendations (the majority of the MSS read *kalatrāṇāṃ kalatrāṣmi*), and that *bhārya* in *pāda* d is to be understood as *bhāryā* metri causa. I added 'to be supported' in the translation to convey the general meaning of the word *bhārya*, which seemed to fit the context well.

^{12.29} Note the stem form ${}^{\circ}samgraha$ used metri causa in $p\bar{a}da$ a. Also note the number discrepancy between $y\bar{a}ni$ santi and dravyam in $p\bar{a}da$ c, which is repeated in 12:42a.

dātum arhasi viprāya na māṃ dātum ihārhasi | bhāryāyā vacanaṃ śrutvā vipulaḥ punar abravīt || 12:30 ||

but do not give me away this time!' Having heard his wife's words, Vipula spoke again:

sādhu bhāmini jānāmi sādhu sādhu pativrate | jito 'smy anena vākyena anenāsmi hi toṣitaḥ || 12:31 ||

'Alright, my beautiful wife, I understand! Well said, well said, my faithful wife! I am defeated by this speech and I am satisfied with it.

adya grahaṇakāle ca dvija āgatya yācate | dadāmīti pratijñāya adattvā narakaṃ vraje || 12:32 ||

Today the Brahmin came to me at the time of the eclipse and made a request. I promised him that I would give [you]. If I don't give [you to him], I shall fall into hell.

narakaṃ yadi gacchāmi kulena saha sundari | kalpakoṭisahasre 'pi narakastho yaśasvini | muktim eva na paśyāmi janmakoṭiśatair api || 12:33 ||

If I fall into hell along with my family, I shall remain there, O radiant woman, for millions of æons, and not find release for millions of births.

adānāc cāśubhaṃ devi paśyāmi varavarṇini | dānena tu śubhaṃ paśye svargaloke yad akṣayam || 12:34 ||

I see misfortune, my princess, arising from not giving, O woman with a nice complexion, but from giving, I see eternal good fortune in heaven.

^{12.30} I have not included C_{02}^{pc} 's *vipula uvāca* (echoed in E) because after *vipulaḥ* punar abravīt is seems secondary and unnecessary. Note that the correction in C_{02} is in a second hand and it is also to be found in paper MSS K_{41} and K_{107} (on this, see p. 75).

^{12.33} The reading *narakastho* in $p\bar{a}da$ b (K_7E) might not be original but it is definitely the simplest solution. *narakasthād* may be original, possibly meaning *narakasthānād*.

noktaṃ mayānṛtaṃ pūrvaṃ nityaṃ satyavrate sthitaḥ | satyadharmam atikramya nānyadharmaṃ samācare || 12:35 ||

I have never spoken a lie; I always observe the vow of truthfulness. If I were to transgress the Dharma of truthfulness, I would be abandoning all other Dharmas as well.

bhāryā dharmasakhety evam tvayā pūrvam udāhrtam | yadi dharmasakhāyāsi so 'dya kāla ihāgataḥ || 12:36 ||

You yourself just said that the wife is [a man's] Dharmic companion. If you are indeed Dharma's companion, then this is the perfect occasion for him to have approached us today.

dvijarūpadharo dharmaḥ svayam eva ihāgataḥ | jijñāsārtham ahaṃ bhadre na vighnaṃ kartum arhasi || 12:37 ||

[For] Dharma himself has come to us, disguised as a Brahmin. I am being put to the test. My dear, please do not cause me distress.

mātāvyaktaḥ pitā brahmā buddhir bhāryā damah sakhā | putro dharmaḥ kriyācārya ity ete mama bāndhavāḥ || 12:38 ||

The Unmanifest (*avyakta*) is my mother, Brahmā is my father, intelligence my wife, self-control my friend. Dharma is my son, and ritual is my teacher. These are my [true] relatives.

kālaśreṣṭho grahaḥ sūryo gaṅgā śreṣṭhā nadīṣu ca | candrakṣaye dinam śreṣṭham naraśreṣṭho dvijottamah || 12:39 ||

The best time is the moment of a solar eclipse. The best of rivers is the Gangā. The best day is new moon. The best man is the Brahmin.

^{12.36} I have emended *tvayi* in *pāda* d to *tvayā* because it seems an early random scribal mistake, rather than some linguistic peculiarity. Note the form *sakhāyā* for a feminine *sakhī* or *sahāyā*. I sense a touch of humour or sarcasm in Vipula's spin on his wife's claim in 12.22a that 'a wife is a man's friend': now he suggests that his wife, his 'Dharmic friend,' is actually friends with Dharma.

 $^{12.37\,}jij\bar{n}$ āsārtham aham in pāda c is slightly clumsy. Understand maj-jij \bar{n} āsārtham ('in order to test me').

^{12.39} I understand *grahaḥ sūryo* in *pāda* a as *sūryagrahaḥ* (or *sūryagrahaṇam*): the eclipse of the Sun, which appears to be an auspicious day. See, e.g., *Āgamakalpalatā* 3.128: *sūryagrahanakālasya samānā nāsti bhūtale* |

atra yad yat kṛtaṃ karma anantaphaladaṃ bhavet ||

This short list of 'best of' items anticipates VSS 15.16–29, a longer list of what is best in every possible category, not entirely differently in manner from BhG 10.21–38.

śuśrūṣaṇārthaṃ viprasya mayā dattāsi sundari | sarvasvaṃ brāhmaṇe dattvā vanam evāśrayāmy aham || 12:40 ||

I have given you to the Brahmin to serve him, O beautiful woman. Once I have given all my wealth to the Brahmin, I shall retire to the forest.'

śaṅkara uvāca | tūṣṇīmbhūtā tato bhāryā aśrupūrṇākulekṣaṇā | kare gṛhya viśālākṣī brāhmaṇāya niveditā || 12:41 ||

Śańkara spoke: The wife remained silent, her bewildered eyes filled with tears. [Vipula] took her by the hand and presented the long-eyed woman to the Brahmin.

yāni santi gṛhe dravyam hiraṇyam paśavas tathā | dadāmi te dvijaśreṣṭha grāmaghoṣagṛhādikam || 12:42 ||

'I am ready to give you all the wealth I possess at home—all the gold and cattle, O great Brahmin, the village, the herdsmen's stations, the houses, and everything else,

muktāvaiḍūryavāsāṃsi divyāṇy ābharaṇāni ca | sarvān gṛhāṇa viprendra śraddhayā dattasatkṛtān || 12:43 ||

pearls, gems, garments, and exquisite jewellery. Accept all these, O best of Brahmins, given in good faith and with respect.

prīyatāṃ bhagavān dharmaḥ prīyatāṃ ca maheśvaraḥ | prīyantāṃ pitaraḥ sarve yady asti sukṛtaṃ phalam || 12:44 ||

May Lord Dharma be pleased and may Maheśvara be pleased. May all the ancestors rejoice, if indeed merit accrues from righteous acts.'

^{12.40} *Pāda* d may give a hint at the connection between this chapter and the end of the previous one: this story is partly a propagation of the life of the *vānaprastha*.

^{12.41} Note that the variant *maheśvara uvāca* in E may seem as an odd alteration by Naraharinath, but in fact paper MSS K_{41} and K_{107} (neither collated for this chapter) also read the same. See pp. 72 ff.

^{12.42} See the phrase *yāni santi gṛhe dravyaṃ*, with number confusion, also in 12.29c.

^{12.44} Note ŚDhŚ 10.11cd, in a similar context of gifting: bhojayitvā tato brūyāt prīyatām bhagavān śivaḥ. Understand sukṛtam phalam as sukṛtaphalam, a tatpuruṣa compound, metri causa.

rudra uvāca | vipulasya vacaḥ śrutvā brāhmaṇena tapasvinā | āśīḥ suvipulam dattvā vipulāya mahātmane || 12:45 ||

Rudra spoke: Hearing Vipula's words, the ascetic Brahmin blessed the good-souled Vipula many times over,

vaset tatra gṛhe ramye bhāryām ādāya tasya ca | vipulas tu namaskṛtvā kṛtvā cāpi pradakṣiṇam || 12:46 ||

and then went off to live in a fine house, taking Vipula's wife with him. As for Vipula, he paid homage to him and circumambulated him.

brāhmaṇam abhivādyaivaṃ gataḥ śīghraṃ vanāntaram | vane mūlaphalāhāro vicareta mahītale || 12:47 ||

Taking leave of the Brahmin thus, Vipula quickly departed into the forest. In the forest, he lived on roots and fruits, and wandered the earth.

ekākī vijane śūnye cintayā ca pariplutaḥ | kva gacchāmi kva bhokṣyāmi kutra vā kiṃ karomy aham || 12:48 ||

But, alone in an abandoned and deserted place, he was overcome with anxiety. 'Where should I go? Where could I find food? From whom? What shall I do?

na pathaṃ viṣayaṃ vedmi grāmaṃ vā nagarāṇi vā | kheṭakharvaṭadeśaṃ vā jānāmīha na kaṃcana || 12:49 ||

^{12.45} Note that the variant *maheśvara uvāca* in E again is to be found in the paper MS K_{41} , but this time not in K_{107} (compare with note to 12.41). One may wonder why the Brahmin is labelled as ascetic (*tapasvin*) in *pāda* b.

There are several ways to explain the form $\bar{a}s\bar{s}h$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c. The easiest is to treat it as a singular accusative neuter. Alternatively, it could be a plural accusative feminine of $\bar{a}s\bar{s}$ and then suvipulam is either to be understood adverbially or as $suvipul\bar{a}[h]$. Another way to treat $\bar{a}s\bar{s}h$ would be to take it as a nominative standing for the accusative.

^{12.47} Note the metrical problem in pāda a (two laghus).

I do not know these roads, this land, these villages, and these cities, these towns, or these mountain settlements. I know no one here.

amuṃ suśailaṃ paśyāmi vipulodarakandaram | tam āruhya nirīkṣyāmi grāmaṃ nagarapattanam || 12:50 ||

Yet I can see a fine mountain over there, full of large hollows and caves. I shall climb it and try to find out whether there is a village, a town, or city [nearby].'

evam uktvā tu vipulaḥ śanaiḥ parvatam āruhat | vṛkṣacchāyāṃ samālokya niṣasāda śramānvitaḥ || 12:51 ||

Having said this, Vipula slowly climbed the mountain. Spotting the shade of a tree, and being exhausted, he sat down [beneath it].

etasminn eva kāle tu vṛkṣaśākhāvatārya ca | apūrvaṃ ca surūpaṃ ca sugandhatvaṃ ca śobhanam || 12:52 ||

At that very moment, descending from among the branches of the tree, [a monkey appeared and,] carrying an extraordinary, beautiful, fragrant, exquisite,

phalam gṛhya vicitram ca hṛdayānandanam śubham | vipulasyāgrataḥ kṛtvā punar vṛkṣaṃ samāruhat || 12:53 ||

lovely, delightful and pleasant-looking fruit, it put it in front of Vipula, and then climbed back up into the tree.

^{12.49} In pāda c, I accepted E's reading ('kharvaṭa', 'a mountain village') against all witnesses consulted. The MSS transmit a reading that is difficult to make sense of ('kharpaṭa, 'ragged garment'). In pāda d, the reading of all the witnesses, kaścana, seems to be an early scribal mistake for kañcana. But note that the same happens in 12.55d.

^{12.50} Pāda a is a ma-vipulā.

^{12.51} I have accepted the reading of E in *pāda* d (*āruhat*) because I think that *āruhet* is an early scribal mistake that is easy to make, and because °*āruhat* comes up again in 12.53d. Additionally, K₄₁ (paper MS, not collated here) seems to read *āruhat* too (f. 220r).

^{12.52} Note the stem form noun °śākhā in pāda b. Understand °śākhāyā avatārya or śākhayāvatārya. Understand sugandhatvam in pāda d as sugandhi.

From this point on, the story might be interpreted as a dream. See especially 12.149cd: svapnabhūtam ivāścāryam paśyāmi ('I see a wondrous vision like a dream').

^{12.53} Note how the agent of this sentence is omitted here. That it was a monkey that gave Vipula the fruit becomes clear in 12.94 below.

vipulaś citravad dṛṣṭvā vismayaṃ paramaṃ gataḥ | aho vā svapnabhūto 'smi aho vā tapasaḥ phalam || 12:54 ||

Vipula, looking [at it] as if witnessing a miracle, was astonished. Wow, am I dreaming? Or is this the fruit of my penance?

na paśyāmi na jighrāmi na ca svādaṃ ca vedmy aham | vārttāpi na ca me śrotā pratijānāmi kaṃcana || 12:55 ||

Never have I seen, smelt, or tasted anything like this. I have not even heard of anything like it. I shall inform someone about this.

evam uktvā hy anekāni phalaṃ gṛhya manoramam | sunirīkṣya punar jighran punar jighran nirīkṣya ca || 12:56 ||

Having repeated this several times, taking that fine fruit, he kept gazing at it, smelling it over and over again.

phalaṃ cātra nirūpyanto deśaṃ vāpy avalokayan | pātheyarahitaś cāsmi devadattaṃ phalaṃ mama || 12:57 ||

'While staring at this fruit, and looking over the landscape, I have used up all my provisions. This fruit has surely come to me from the gods.

tat phalaṃ pratigṛhyaiva nagaraṃ praviśāmy aham | prārthayitvā tu yat kiṃcij jīvanārthaṃ carāmy aham || 12:58 ||

^{12.54} See notes on 12.52 above on how most of the story could be interpreted as a dream.

^{12.55} Note the use of the (non-historical) present tense in $p\bar{a}das$ ab clearly pointing to past events. I suspect that $\dot{s}rot\bar{a}$ in $p\bar{a}da$ c is meant to be feminine participle $\dot{s}rut\bar{a}$, but the metre required the first vowel to be lengthened. Understand me as $may\bar{a}$ (Oberlies 2003, 102–103 [4.1.3]). In $p\bar{a}da$ d, the reading of all the witnesses, $ka\dot{s}cana$, seems to be an early scribal mistake for $ka\bar{n}cana$. Note that the same happens in 12.49d.

^{12.56} Since one of the main points, and a source of conflict, in the story is that there was only one single fruit, we have to interpret *anekāni* in *pāda* a as a shortened form of *anekavāram* ('repeatedly'). Most sources consulted read *jighra* or *jighram* in both *pāda* c and d, i.e., most of them do not suggest the participle *jighran*, which seems to be the correct reading. I have altered this part of the text silently.

^{12.57} Understand *nirūpyanto* in *pāda* a as a thematised present participle in the nominative (*nirūpayan*). This is also suggested by the standard *avalokayan* in *pāda* b.

Therefore, I shall take this fruit and enter that city. I shall go and look for some means of sustenance.'

tataḥ śailam atikramya nagaraṃ praviveśa ha | pathi kaścij janaḥ pṛṣṭhaḥ kiṃnāma nagaraṃ tv idam || 12:59 ||

Then, crossing that mountain, he entered the city. He asked a man on the road: 'What is the name of this city?'

sa hovāca pathīkena kim apūrvam ihāgataḥ | dakṣiṇāpathadeśo 'yaṃ naravīrapuraṃ tv adaḥ || 12:60 ||

The traveller replied: 'Have you never been here before? This is the Deccan region, and this city is called Naravīra.

rājā siṃhajaṭo nāma rājñī tasya ca kekayī | ativṛddho jarāgrastaḥ kekayī ca tathaiva ca || 12:61 ||

The king is called Simhajata, and his queen is Kekayī. The king is very old, afflicted by age—and Kekayī likewise.

dātā sarvakalājñaś ca yuddhe vīryabalānvitaḥ | brahmaṇyo vatsalo loke sarvaśāstraviśāradaḥ || 12:62 ||

^{12.60} I understand $path\bar{\imath}kena$ as standing for pathikena metri causa (see pathika in 12.64b), and not as two words, $path\bar{\imath}kena$. This means that we are forced to accept an instrumental as the agent of the finite verb $uv\bar{\imath}ca$ (ergative structure, see p. 35). I suspect that K_7 's reading ($path\bar{\imath}ko$ na) is an attempt to correct the syntax, but in this way na ... $ap\bar{\imath}urvam$ becomes problematic.

ayam as the end of this verse may have been the original reading and C_{45} may have corrected it to adah. Another possibility is that an original adah is preserved in C_{45} , and it got corrupted to ayah (C_{94}), and then to ayam ($C_{02}K_{82}$). In any case, I have chosen the not-so-well attested reading adah simply because it works better. Another possibility would be to echo 12.59d and correct to idam.

Since I am not aware of any attestation of Naravīrapura as a city, I suspect that this name is either a mistake for or a pun on Karavīrapura, possibly modern Kolhapur in Maharashtra. See p. 23, and compare 12.93, in which the Sahya mountain is mentioned, with *Padmapurāna* 6.106.3:

āsīt sahyādriviṣaye karavīrapure purā

brāhmaṇo dharmavit kaścid dharmadatto 'tiviśrutaḥ ||

^{&#}x27;Once upon a time, in the region of Mount Sahya, in Karavīrapura, there was a certain very famous Brahmin called Dharmadatta, who was an expert on Dharma.'

On the area of the Sahya mountain as 'the southernmost limit of the authors' map' in the 'the Skandapurāṇa's literary imagining of a Pāśupata landscape,' see Cecil 2020, 161ff.

He is generous, skilled in all the arts, and renowned for his bravery in battle. He is pious and protective of his subjects, and well-versed in the Śāstras.'

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vipula uvāca |
atra śreṣṭhim upāsyāmi nāma vā tasya kiṃ vada |
katamo deśa tadvāsaḥ kathayasva na saṃśayaḥ || 12:63 ||
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Vipula spoke: 'As a matter of fact, I am seeking an audience with the foreman of the guild ($\acute{sreṣthi}[n]$). What is his name? Tell me. In which district is his dwelling? Tell me without hesitation.'

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vipulenaivam uktas tu pathikovāca taṃ punaḥ |
mama bhīmabalo nāma śreṣṭhikasya gṛhāgataḥ || 12:64 ||
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Thus addressed by Vipula, the traveller replied: 'My name is Bhīmabala and I am on my way to the house of the foreman of the guild.

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śreṣṭhikaḥ puṇḍako nāma khyātaḥ śreṣṭhika ucyate | kautukaṃ tava yady asti tad āgaccha mayā saha || 12:65 ||
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The foreman is called Pundaka, and he is said to be a famous foreman. If you are eager [to meet him], come along with me.'

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evam astv iti tenokto vipulena mahātmanā |
tenaiva saha niryātaḥ śreṣṭhikasya gṛhaṃ prati || 12:66 ||
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'Very well,' replied the great-souled Vipula, and together they set off for the foreman's house.

śresṭhikaḥ svagṛhāsīno dṛṣṭaḥ sa vipulena tu | tasyāntikam upāgamya tat phalam sa niveditah || 12:67 ||

^{12.62} Oddly, I had to accept E's reading in $p\bar{a}da$ a (° $kal\bar{a}$ ° as opposed to °kala°) because it is the only one that makes sense. (Paper MS K_{41} also reads °kala°.) A faint possibility would be correcting the text to $sarvak\bar{a}laj\bar{n}as'$ ('knowing all the times, past, present, and future'), but that sounds out of context, being usually the epithet of gods and Buddhas.

^{12.63} Note the thematised stem śreṣṭhi from śreṣṭhin in pāda a. I have chosen a variant containing a stem form in pāda c (deśa) for metrical reasons. One may even read katamoddeśa in a similar sense, or as containing uddeśa (for uddiśa) as an imperative: 'Where is his house, give me directions.'

^{12.64} Note the stem form *pathika* in *pathikovāca* in *pāda* b. Alternatively, it is an instance of double sandhi (*pathika uvāca* \rightarrow *pathikovāca*).

When Vipula saw the foreman seated in his house, he approached him and presented the fruit.

aho phalam idaṃ śreṣṭham aho phalam ihānitam | aho rūpam aho gandha-m-aho phalam suśobhanam || 12:68 ||

[Puṇḍaka exclaimed:] 'Wow, what an excellent fruit! Hey, what a fruit we have here! Wow, what a form, what a fragrance—wow, what a splendid fruit!

tat phalaṃ na mahījātaṃ na merau na ca mandare | devalokika suvyaktaṃ na martya-m-upajāyate || 12:69 ||

This fruit does not grow on earth, not even on Mount Meru or Mount Mandara. It clearly comes from the world of gods—it does not grow in the world of humans.

aho 'smi sa phalaṃ bhoktā rājārhaṃ ca na saṃśayaḥ | ḍhaukayitvā phalaṃ divyaṃ rājānaṃ toṣayāmy aham || 12:70 ||

Alas! Will I really be the one to enjoy this fruit? Surely, [only] a king is worthy of it. By offering this divine fruit to the king, I shall win his favour.'

^{12.67} Understand the construction in $p\bar{a}da$ d as tasmai tena tat phalam niveditam, or read (partly with $K_{82}K_7$) tat phalam samniveditam. Or rather, here niveditah is used as a finite verb; compare na jñāto 'ham in the Newar Vicitrakarnikāvadānoddhṛta, meaning 'I don't know'; see p. 36 n. 87.

^{12.68} Note $i\bar{h}\bar{a}nitam$ for $ih\bar{a}n\bar{i}tam$ in $p\bar{a}da$ b for metrical reasons. I consider the -m-between gandha and aho in $p\bar{a}das$ cd a hiatus-filler.

^{12.69} kandare ('in a cave') in pāda b must be an early mistake in the MSS for mandare ('on Mount Mandara'), a location that appears frequently in the epics and the Purāṇas next to Mount Meru. This is why I conjecture mandare here. See, e.g., MBh 3.187.10:

catuḥsamudraparyantāṃ merumandarabhūṣaṇām | śeṣo bhūtvāham evaitāṃ dhārayāmi vasuṃdharām ||

Understand *devalokika* in *pāda* c as being in stem form (metri causa) for a more standard *devalaukikam*. Understand *martya-m-upajāyate* in *pāda* d as *martya upajāyate* (i.e., *martye...*) with *-m-* as a sandhi bridge.

^{12.70} Pāda a is slightly suspect. It is possible that it originally contained a negation: aho 'smi na phalaṃ bhoktā ('Ah! I will not eat this fruit'). I have chosen to translate this pāda as a question, interpreting sa as giving emphasis to the grammatical subject. Nevertheless, the slightly odd recurrence of the phrase sa phalaṃ in 12.71 and 72 might suggest that it could at times be interpreted, somewhat surprisingly, as tat phalaṃ.

tatas tvarita gatvaiva phalaṃ gṛhya manoharam | ādareṇopasṛtyaiva rājānaṃ sa phalaṃ dadau || 12:71 ||

Then seizing that delightful fruit, he hurried away. Approaching the king with due respect, he offered him the fruit.

rājā ca sa phalaṃ dṛṣṭvā vismayaṃ paramaṃ gataḥ | kutaḥ śreṣṭhi tvayā nītaṃ phalaṃ pūrvaṃ manoharam || 12:72 ||

Seeing the fruit, the king was greatly astonished. 'O foreman, where did you obtain this marvellous fruit?

svādumūlam phalam kandam dṛṣṭam pūrvam na tādṛśam | rūpagandhaguṇopetam hṛdayānandakārakam || 12:73 ||

Never before have I seen such a delicious root or fruit or bulb, with such beauty, fragrance, and qualities—one that so gladdens the heart.

sadya evopayuñjāmi tvayā dattam idaṃ phalam | kīdṛśaṃ svāda vijñānam icchāmi kuru māciram || 12:74 ||

I shall eat this fruit, which you have given me, immediately. I want to know what it tastes like. Let there be no delay.'

tataḥ sa bhakṣayām āsa phalaṃ cāmṛtasaṃnibham | amrtopamasusvādam sarvam ca bubhuje nrpah || 12:75 ||

Then he ate that fruit, which looked like ambrosia. The king devoured it entirely, and its taste was [indeed] like that of ambrosia.

sadyaḥ ṣoḍaśavarṣasya yauvanaṃ samapadyata | na valīpalitaṃ sadyo na jarā na ca durbalaḥ || 12:76 ||

^{12.71} In pāda a, tvarita, for the adverb tvaritam, is in stem form metri causa.

^{12.72} On the possibility that saphala is a form in this text simply signifying phala, see notes on 12.70 and 113. $p\bar{u}rva[m]$ in $p\bar{a}da$ d is suspect and E is probably trying to silently emend it. One possibility is that the $p\bar{a}da$ originally contained a stem form noun: $phal\bar{a}p\bar{u}rvam$ manoharam ('an unparalleled and charming fruit'). Alternatively, $p\bar{u}rva$ is an eyeskip to 12.73b.

^{12.74} I take *svāda* in *pāda* c as a stem form noun that stands for the accusative metri causa. I translate *kuru māciram* in *pāda* d rather freely, but since the king has already been given the fruit, the second person imperative is slightly odd here.

In an instant, he regained the youthful vigour of a sixteen-year-old boy. In a moment, his wrinkles and grey hair disappeared, along with his ailments and weakness.

keśadantanakhasnigdho dṛḍhadanto dṛḍhendriyaḥ | tejaścakṣurbalaprāṇān sadyaḥ sarvān avāptavān || 12:77 ||

His hair, teeth, and nails became smooth and shining; his teeth and senses grew strong. He regained his vital powers, his eyesight, his strength, and his life-energy, all at once.

mantrī purohito 'mātyaḥ sarve bhṛtyajanās tathā | paurastrī bālavṛddhāś ca sarve te vismayaṃ gatāḥ || 12:78 ||

The minister, the domestic priest, the counsellor, all the servants, the townswomen, the children, and the elderly—everyone was astonished.

rājā siṃhajaṭo nāma tuṣṭim eva parāṃ gataḥ | praharṣam atulaṃ caiva prāptavān sa nareśvaraḥ || 12:79 ||

King Simhajaṭa, the sovereign, became utterly delighted and filled with joy.

uvāca rājā taṃ śreṣṭhiṃ svārthatatparanirdayaḥ | kuru bhīmabalas tv evaṃ phalam ānaya adya vai || 12:80 ||

[But] the king, selfish and cruel [by nature], spoke to the foreman of the guild: 'Tell Bhīmabala to bring another fruit today.

punar me yauvanaprāptis tvatprasādān narottama | kekayīṃ durbalāṃ vṛddhāṃ punaḥ prāpaya yauvanam || 12:81 ||

^{12.76} I have corrected *sadya* in $p\bar{a}da$ a to *sadya* because there is no metrical reason to retain this thematised stem form here (cf. *sadyo* in $p\bar{a}da$ c).

^{12.77} I have corrected *sadya* to *sadya*! in *pāda* d, similarly to what I did in 12.76a.

^{12.78} Note the singular *paurastrī* in *pāda* c clearly for a plural.

^{12.80} Note the thematised *śreṣṭhim* in *pāda* a (for *śreṣṭhinaṃ*). The syntax of *pāda* c is confusing. I translate it as if it carried a causative meaning (e.g. *kāraya bhīmabalaṃ tv evaṃ*: 'make Bhīmabala act like this'). On the other hand, an instrumental (*bhīmabalena*) would be better ('act like this, together with Bhīmabala').

By your kindness I have regained my youth, O excellent man. Let Kekayī too—who is frail and aged, regain her youth.'

sa rājñā evam uktas tu śreṣṭhī bhīmabalas tathā | pratyuvāca ha rājānaṃ prāñjaliḥ praṇataḥ sthitaḥ || 12:82 ||

This is how the king addressed the foreman. This time Bhīmabala replied to the king, joining his hands in reverence, standing respectfully with his head bowed:

na vanena vane rājan na vāṇijyakṛṣeṇa vā | kenāpi kulaputreṇa tava darśanakāṃkṣayā || 12:83 ||

'Your majesty, [such a fruit] cannot be obtained [by wandering] from forest to forest. It cannot be acquired through merchants or by cultivating land. Some noble stranger, seeking your audience,

datto 'smi tena rājendra mayā datto 'si bhūpate | na te śaknomy ahaṃ rājan vaktuṃ vaideśinaṃ naram || 12:84 ||

gave it to me, and I, O supreme king, gave it to you, your majesty. But, your majesty, I cannot tell you who this foreigner is.'

śrutvā bhīmabalavākyaṃ pratyuvāca tataḥ punaḥ | amātyakulaputras tvaṃ brūhi madvacanaṃ punaḥ || 12:85 ||

^{12.82} I accepted the reading *śreṣṭhī* (C_{02}) in $p\bar{a}da$ b although it may be a correction of *śreṣṭhi* ($C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$), an original *prātipadika* of the thematised form of *śreṣṭhin* (see 12.63a). All in all, the latter reading is more likely to be the result of a bit of confusion about the two nominatives *śreṣṭhī* and *bhīmabalas*, referring to two different persons. That it is Bhīmabala that replies to the king, and not Puṇḍaka the foreman, becomes clear in 12.85a (*śrutvā bhīmabalavākyam*).

^{12.83} Pāda a could be construed as na vane na vane rājan ('Your majesty, there is no [such fruit] in any forest'), but a similar expression, vanena vanam, occurs, e.g., in MBh 1.144.1 meaning 'from forest to forest' (te vanena vanam vīrā ghnanto mṛgagaṇān bahūn | apakramya yayū rājaṃs tvaramāṇā mahārathāḥ||), and this made me choose the other option, na vanena vane rājan. E's variant, na phaledaṃ vane rājan, is likely an attempt to 'correct' the text. The reading of paper MS K_{41} , na vane tava ne rājan, does not give a meaningful alternative.

^{12.84} On constructions such as *datto 'smi* in *pāda* a, see pp. 35ff. Note the form *vaideśin* for the better-attested *videśin* or *vaideśika* in *pāda* d.

Hearing Bhīmabala's reply, [the king] said: 'You are the son of a noble family of ministers. Convey this message [to Vipula]:

yadi nāsti kiṃ me dattaṃ mayā vā mārgito bhavān | yatra hy eko bahavo 'tra jāyante nātra samśayah || 12:86 ||

If there is no more [of this fruits], why did you give me even one? This is what I request from you, sir. Where there is one, there must surely be many, that is for sure.

āgamopāyamārgaṃ ca tenaiva sa tu gamyatām | avaśyaṃ tena gantavyaṃ tena mārgeṇa mārgaya || 12:87 ||

[There must be a] path by which it came. He [Vipula] should follow that very route. By all means, that is the way to go. Track it down by that route.

adattvā phalam anyac ca śiraś chedyāmi durmate | chedyaś candavicandābhyām rakṣa bhīmabalādhamah || 12:88 ||

If you are unable to provide another, I shall have your head cut off, fool! [Vipula] will be slain by Caṇḍa and Vicaṇḍa. Beware, Bhīmabala, he is a scoundrel!'

tato bhīmabalaḥ kruddhaḥ khaḍgaṃ gṛhya śaśiprabham | alaṅghya vacanaṃ rājñaḥ kulaputra vraja tvaram || 12:89 ||

Then Bhīmabala, angry, drew his sword, which shone like the [crescent] moon. [He said to Vipula:] 'Obey the king's order, O son of a noble family, and go at once!

^{12.85} $P\bar{a}da$ a, as transmitted in $C_{94}C_{45}$, is a rare *sa-vipulā*. Some MSS $(C_{02}K_{82}K_{10}K_7)$ read °*balam* to avoid this.

^{12.86} $P\bar{a}da$ c is a rare sa-vipulā (cf. 12.85a above), as transmitted in $C_{94}K_{82}K_{10}K_7$. It seems that C_{45} and C_{02} try to 'correct' it in different ways.

^{12.88} Understand *chedyāmi* in *pāda* b as *chedayāmi*. It is difficult to see how the readings *chedye* and *chede* in *pāda* c appeared in $C_{94}K_{10}$ and $C_{45}K_7$, respectively. The only MS transmitting *chedyaś* is K_{82} , but I suppose that this phrase should refer to Vipula being potentially slain by Caṇḍa and Vicaṇḍa, the two royal envoys mentioned in verse 12.126 (*rājadūtadvayam*), sent along with Bhīmabala to make sure he obeys the king's command. Compare with ŚDhU 7.101, where Yama's attendants are called Caṇḍa and Mahācaṇḍa.

mā ruṣa kulaputra tvaṃ mayā vadhyo bhaviṣyasi | sadyo 'sti phalam anyad vā dehi rājānam adya vai || 12:90 ||

O son of a noble family, do not take offence, but I have [the king's] authorisation to kill you, if you cannot produce another of these fruits quickly. Bring another for the king before the end of the day!

yatra prāptaṃ phalaṃ divyaṃ tatra vādeśaya tvaram | tatphalena vinā bhadra durlabham tava jīvitam || 12:91 ||

Reveal to me quickly where you found that extraordinary fruit. Without that fruit, my friend, your life is in danger.'

vipula uvāca | jīvitāśām ahaṃ prāpto vaideśī bhavanaṃ tava | kṛtakartā kathaṃ vadhyaḥ prāpnuyām aham adya vai || 12:92 ||

Vipula spoke: 'As a foreigner, when I reached your house, I also regained new hope for life. How could one who does his duty be slain? I would [gladly] fetch [another fruit] right now,

phalaṃ vā na punas tv anyad dātuṃ śakyaṃ na kenacit | sahyaparvataśailāgre āsīnah śrāntamānasah || 12:93 ||

but there is no other such fruit. No one can provide another. Up on the rocky peak of Mount Sahya, I sat down disheartened.

vānaras tat phalam gṛhya mama dattvā punar gataḥ | mayā dattam idam tubhyam tvayāpi ca narādhipe || 12:94 ||

It was a monkey who brought that fruit, gave it to me, and then disappeared. I gave it to you, you in turn gave it to the king.

tatra gacchāva bho śreṣṭhi dṛśyate yadi vānaraḥ | tvayā mayā ca gatvaiva yācāvaḥ plavagādhipam || 12:95 ||

^{12.91} I have conjectured *tvaram* for *tava* in *pāda* b because *tava* is both unmetrical and meaningless in this context. *tava* might have been the result of an eyeskip to *pāda* d, or rather to *pāda* b of 12.92.

^{12.92} I emended *vaideśibhavanam* in *pāda* b to *vaideśī bhavanam* to arrive at a much smoother interpretation.

Come, let us go to that place, O foreman, and see whether the monkey is still there. If we reach that place together, we can ask the monkey king [for another fruit].'

śreṣṭhinā ca tathety āha gacchāmaḥ sahitā vayam | yatra prāptaṃ phalaṃ tubhyaṃ mokṣayāmo na saṃśayaḥ || 12:96 ||

The foreman said: 'Very well, let us all go together to the place where you found that fruit. No doubt we shall be saved.'

rudra uvāca | tam āruhya giriṃ sahyaṃ mārgamāṇaḥ samantataḥ | vipulena tato dṛṣṭo vānaraḥ plavagādhipaḥ || 12:97 ||

Rudra spoke: Climbing that mountain, Mount Sahya, and searching the place thoroughly, Vipula then caught sight of that monkey—the monkey king.

ayaṃ sa vānaraśreṣṭho vṛkṣacchāyāṃ samāśritaḥ | mama puṇyabalenaiva dṛśyate 'dyāpi vānaraḥ || 12:98 ||

'There he is—that extraordinary monkey, lurking in the shade of that tree. Today again, by the force of my merit, this monkey has appeared before me.

vānara kuru mitrārtham sadyo mṛtyur bhaven mama | pūrvadattam phalam anyad dehi vānara jīvaya || 12:99 ||

^{12.95} I have accepted C_{45} 's reading in $p\bar{a}da$ d ($y\bar{a}c\bar{a}vah$ plavagādhipam) against all other witnesses (yo $v\bar{a}sah$ plavagādhipah). The dual seems to nicely follow $gacch\bar{a}va$ in $p\bar{a}da$ a, and the verb verbal root $y\bar{a}c$ also appears in 12.105d ($y\bar{a}casva$). Nevertheless, C_{45} may only be trying to correct the problematic reading found in all the other witnesses: yo $v\bar{a}sah$ plavagādhipah could be just an awkward way of saying yatra plavagādhipasya $v\bar{a}sah$ or yatra vasati plavagādhipah.

^{12.96} Puṇḍaka, the foreman, switches to the plural in his reply, possibly referring to Vipula, Bhīmabala, and himself, and also perhaps to the two envoys of the king, Caṇḍa and Vicaṇḍa (see 12.126cd). Note also *tubhyaṃ* in *pāda* c as instrumental (Oberlies 2003, 104 [4.2.2]).

^{12.97} Note the slightly clumsy syntax here: from the nominatives of $p\bar{a}das$ ab, we switch to an instrumental in $p\bar{a}da$ c.

Hey, monkey, do me this favour of friendship—otherwise I shall surely perish very soon. Please give me another fruit like the one you gave me before, and save my life, O monkey.'

vānara uvāca | gandharveṇa tu me dattaṃ phalaṃ dattaṃ tu te mayā | punar anyat kathaṃ dāsye tatra gaccha yadīcchasi || 12:100 ||

The monkey spoke: 'It was a Gandharva that gave me that fruit, which I in turn gave to you. How could I possibly give you another? But if you wish, go there [where the Gandharvas dwell].

vipula uvāca | adattvā tat phalaṃ tubhyaṃ jīvituṃ saṃśayo bhavet | athavā tatra gacchāmo yatra citrarathaḥ svayam || 12:101 ||

Vipula spoke: 'If you cannot give me another fruit, [my] staying alive is doubtful. The only alternative is that we go to the place where Citraratha himself resides.'

vānaraḥ punar evāha evaṃ kurvāmahe vayam | tataś citrarathāvāsam upagamyedam abravīt || 12:102 ||

The monkey replied: 'Let us do it.' Then, reaching Citraratha's dwelling, and approaching him, he spoke as follows:

gandharvarāja kāryārthī tvām aham punar āgataḥ | pūrvadattaphalam tv anyad dehi mām yadi śakyate || 12:103 ||

'O king of the Gandharvas, I have returned to you with a request. If you can, give me another fruit like the one that you gave me before.'

^{12.99} Note the two *laghu* syllables in *pāda* a in second and third position.

^{12.101} Note *tubbyam* in *pāda* a again, as in 12.96d, used in the sense of *tvayā* (Oberlies 2003, 104 [4.2.2]). Citraratha is the king of the Gandharvas.

^{12.103} Variants for $p\bar{a}da$ b are problematic ($tvat/tv\bar{a}t$ hy ayam/aham). I conjectured $tv\bar{a}m$ aham because aham (in $C_{45}K_{10}$) seems to work better with punar than ayam (after all, it is the monkey who returns to the Citraratha, and not Vipula), and because it is difficult to accept the ablative tvat as meaning 'to you.' The original may have read the enclitic form $tv\bar{a}$. Considering $tvatsak\bar{a}sam$ in 12.107b opens up other possibilities, such as conjecturing $tvadv\bar{a}sam$.

gandharvarāja uvāca |
sūryalokagataś cāsmi tena dattaṃ phalottamam |
mayā dattaṃ phalaṃ tubhyam atyantasuhṛdo 'si me || 12:104 ||
The king of the Gandharvas spoke: 'I had gone to the world of

The king of the Gandharvas spoke: 'I had gone to the world of Sūrya, and it was he who gave me that extraordinary fruit. I gave you that fruit, for you are my very dearest friend.

kuto 'nyat phalam ādāsye mama nāsti plavaṅgama | sūryalokaṃ gamiṣyāmas tatra yācasva bhāskaram || 12:105 ||

Where could I find another fruit? I have none, O monkey. Let us go to the world of Sūrya and ask the Sun for one.'

gandharvenaivam uktas tu tathety āha plavangamaḥ | sūryalokaṃ tataḥ prāptā gandharvādaya sarvaśaḥ || 12:106 ||

Thus addressed by the Gandharva, the monkey agreed. They reached the world of Sūrya all together, the Gandharva and the others.

gandharva uvāca |

kāryārthena punaḥ prāptas tvatsakāśaṃ khageśvara | pūrvadattaphalaṃ tv anyad dehi jīvam anāśaya || 12:107 ||

The Gandharva spoke: 'I have come back to you with a request, O Lord who moves through the sky. Give me another fruit like the one that you gave me, and save a life.'

sūrya uvāca | somalokagataś cāsmi tena dattaṃ phalottamam | sa phalaṃ dattam evāsi suhṛdatvān mayā tava || 12:108 ||

Sūrya spoke: 'I went to Soma's world, and it was he who gave me that magical fruit. That is how I came to give you that fruit, out of friendship.

^{12.104} Understand suhrdo in pāda d as a singular nominative of the rare suhrda.

^{12.106} I have emended the correct but unmetrical ° \$\bar{a}dayah\$ in \$p\bar{a}da\$ d to a stem form in order to restore the metre.

^{12.108} Note the odd syntax of pādas cd. sa phalam may have been influenced by 12.71d and 72a. Here in 12.108 tat phalam would work better but see sa phalam in a similarly odd position in 12.113d. I translate sa again as standing for emphasis ('it was like that that you...'; cf. 12.70a). dattam evāsi is also problematic although similar structures do appear in this text, e.g., in 12.113c (see more on pp. 35 ff). The original may have read tat phalam datta evāsi; or take dattam evāsi as datta-m-evāsi, with a hiatus breaker -m-.

anyad dātum na śaknomi gaccha somapurādya vai | tam prārthayāvikalpena atriputram graheśvaram || 12:109 ||

I cannot give you another. Go now to Soma's city and ask him— [the Moon], the son of Atri, the Lord of the planets—without hesitation.

rudra uvāca | gatāḥ sūryāgrataḥ kṛtvā somalokaṃ tathaiva hi | uvāca sūryaḥ somāya kāraṇāpekṣayā śaśim || 12:110 ||

Rudra spoke: Led by Sūrya, they all went to the world of Soma. Sūrya spoke to Soma, hoping for action on the Moon's part.

soma uvāca | kimartham āgato bhūyaḥ kartavyaṃ tatra bhāskara | phalaṃ dātuṃ punas tv anyan muktvā tv anyat karomy aham || 12:111 ||

Soma spoke: 'For what purpose have you returned, O Sun? There will be a solution for it. Except for giving another fruit, I shall do anything.'

sūrya uvāca | yadi śakyaṃ phalaṃ dehi anyan na prārthayāmy aham | na dattāsi phalam anyan mayā vadhyo bhaviṣyasi || 12:112 ||

Sūrya spoke: 'If you can, give me another fruit—I ask for nothing else. If you do not, I shall kill you.'

^{12.109} Understand purādya as puram adya (stem form metri causa).

^{12.110} Understand sūryāgrataḥ in pāda a as sūryam agrataḥ (stem form noun). Note the thematised form śaśim for śaśinam in pāda d. somāya ... śaśim could be just a clumsy way of saying somam ... śaśinam, or somāya ... śaśine, but I interpret pāda d separately. It is not inconceivable that C_{45} is right reading karuṇāpekṣayā ('hoping for compassion') instead of kāraṇāpekṣayā.

^{12.112} Understand pāda c either as na dattam tvayā phalam anyat or na dātāsi phalam anyat. This pāda is a sa-vipulā, or if we apply a licence mostly seen in the non-anuṣṭhubh verses in this text, namely that a word-final syllable can count as heavy, it is a standard anuṣṭubh (pathyā).

Sūrya threatening Soma in a harsh manner is somewhat surprising (pāda d).

soma uvāca |

āgamaṃ tasya vakṣyāmi śṛṇuṣvāvahito bhava | indreṇāsmi phalaṃ dattaṃ sa phalaṃ datta me bhavān || 12:113 ||

Soma spoke: 'I shall tell you how it came to me. Listen carefully. It was Indra who gave me the fruit and I in turn gave it to you.

gatvaivendrasadas tv anyat prārthayāmaḥ sahaiva tu | evaṃ kurma iti prāha gatvendrasadanaṃ prati || 12:114 ||

If we go to Indra's palace, we can ask him together for another fruit. Let us do it!' he said and set off for Indra's residence.

somenendram uvācedam phalakāmā ihāgatāḥ | pūrvadattaphalam anyad dehi śakra mamādya vai || 12:115 ||

Soma said this to Indra: 'We have come here in search of a fruit.' Please give me now another fruit like the one that you gave me before, O Śakra.

indra uvāca | yadartham iha samprāptaḥ sa ca nāsti niśākara | viṣṇuhastān mayā prāptam ekam eva phalam śubham || 12:116 ||

Indra spoke: 'The reason for which you have come does not exist, O Night-maker! I received only a single one of those fine fruits, from Viṣṇu's own hands.

sarva eva hi gacchāmo viṣṇulokaṃ graheśvara | sarva evopajagmus te phalārthaṃ madhusūdanam || 12:117 ||

Let us all go to Viṣṇu's world, O Lord of the Planets.' They all went to Madhusūdana for the fruit.

^{12.113} Note *sa phalam*, potentially for *tat phalam*, or for emphasis, again, as in 12.108c. The syntax of *pādas* cd is rather confused (see pp. 35), and *datta* in *pāda* d is a stem form participle metri causa. Note also *me* for *mayā* (Oberlies 2003, 102–103 [4.1.3]), and *bhavān* as a dative.

^{12.115} While somenendram in $p\bar{a}da$ a is grammatically incorrect and we have a correct, or corrected, reading in K_7 (soma indra°), I have left the phrase thus, since ergative structures are not alien to the VSS. See pp. 35 ff, and, e.g., verse 1.3 above.

 $P\bar{a}da$ c is either a sa-vipulā or a pathyā if the final syllable of °phalam counts as heavy. Cf. 12.112 above.

evam uktvā gatāḥ sarve devarājapuraskṛtāḥ | muhūrtenaiva samprāptā viṣṇulokaṃ yaśasvini || 12:118 ||

After he spoke thus, they all departed, led by the king of the gods. In a moment, they reached the world of Viṣṇu, O glorious lady.

upasṛtya tata indraḥ praṇipatya janārdanam | sarveṣām uparodhena prārthayāmi yaśodhara || 12:119 ||

Indra then approached Janārdana, bowing down respectfully. 'I have a request, O Yaśodhara, concerning something that troubles us all.'

viṣṇur uvāca | pūrvadattaphalasyārthe tac ca sarva-m-ihāgatāḥ | na śaknomi phalaṃ dātuṃ kiṃ vā tv anyat karomy aham || 12:120 ||

Viṣṇu spoke: 'You have all come here seeking the fruit I gave away before. I cannot give you [another] fruit. But what else may I do for you?'

indra uvāca | brahmāṇḍam api bhettuṃ tvaṃ śaknoṣi garuḍadhvaja | aśakyaṃ tava nāstīti jānāmi puruṣottama || 12:121 ||

Indra spoke: 'O Lord whose banner bears Garuḍa, you are capable even of splitting the Cosmic Egg of Brahmā. I know that there is nothing that you cannot do, O Supreme Person.'

evam uktaḥ punar viṣṇuḥ pratyuvāca purandaram | phalam ekaṃ parityajya sarvaṃ śaknomi kauśika || 12:122 ||

^{12.118} Note how there is a minor confusion here with the order of events. 12.117 informs us that Indra spoke and then they all left. Then 12.118ab restates that after Indra spoke they left. Alternatively, 12.117cd may have been intended to be in the present tense and mean: 'Everybody goes to Madhusūdana for fruits [anyway].'

^{12.119} Pāda a is a sa-vipulā.

^{12.120} The function of tac ca in $p\bar{a}da$ b is unclear. Perhaps understand atra ('here') or, less likely, tvam ca ('you and [everybody else]'). Understand sarvam $ih\bar{a}gat\bar{a}h$ as sarvam $ih\bar{a}gat\bar{a}h$, with a hiatus-filler -m- for sarva (i.e., sarve) $ih\bar{a}gat\bar{a}h$. The non-standard neuter form anyam transmitted in most witnesses consulted might be original but I have not found any clear occurrences of it in this text elsewhere. That is why I have chosen K_7 's reading, the standard anyat.

Thus addressed, Viṣṇu replied to Purandara [Indra]: 'O Kauśika, I am capable of everything—except producing another of that fruit.

upāyo 'tra pravakṣyāmi āgamaṃ śṛṇu gopate |

brahmaṇā ca mama dattaṃ tat phalaikaṃ purandara || 12:123 ||

But I shall give you a solution and tell you how it was obtained. Listen well, O Chief (*gopati*). It was Brahmā who gave me that unique fruit, O Purandara.

mayā dattaṃ phalaṃ tv ekaṃ kim anyad dātum icchasi | prārthayāmo 'tra gatvaikaṃ parameṣṭhiprajāpatim || 12:124 ||

I have given you that one fruit—why do you ask me for another? Let us all now go to Prajāpati [Brahmā], the supreme creator, and ask him for one.

tavoparodhād devendra prārthayāmi pitāmaham | evam uktvā gatāḥ sarve puraskṛtya janārdanam || 12:125 ||

I myself shall ask Grandfather Brahmā, O king of the gods, to resolve your problem.' Having said this, they all set out together, led by Janārdana:

indraḥ sūryaḥ śaśī caiva gandharvo vānaras tathā | vipulah śreṣthikaś caiva rājadūtadvayam tathā || 12:126 ||

Indra, Sūrya, the Moon, the Gandharva, the monkey, Vipula, the foreman, and the two royal envoys.

brahmalokaṃ muhūrtena prāptavān surasundari | dṛṣṭvā brahmasado ramyaṃ sarvakāmaparicchadam || 12:127 ||

In a moment, they reached Brahmā's world, O beautiful goddess. There, they saw Brahmā's splendid palace, filled with all desirable things.

^{12.123} Note that pāda c is a sa-vipulā.

^{12.124} In pāda b, by dātum icchasi, Viṣṇu probably means to say prāptum icchasi, or tava dāsyāmītīcchasi. For the expression parameṣṭhiprajāpati, see MBh 6.15.35ab: sarvalokeśvarasyeva parameṣṭhiprajāpateḥ.

^{12.126} Reading this list of characters, the careful reader may ask the question: what happened to Bhīmabala?

^{12.127} I suppose that the singular *prāptavān* was intended to refer to the plurality of characters involved.

anekāni vicitrāṇi ratnāni vividhāni ca | mandāratala śobhāni vaiḍūryamaṇikuṭṭimān || 12:128 ||

There were countless wonders and every kind of precious jewel; the beautiful coral-tiled roofs; floors inlaid with cat's-eye gems;

pravālamaṇistambhāni vajrakāñcanavedikām | pravālasphāṭiko jāla indranīlagavākṣakaḥ || 12:129 ||

pillars of coral and gems; altars of gold and diamond; lattice-windows of coral and crystal; windows of sapphire.

paśyate vipulas tatra nānāvṛkṣa manoramāḥ | puṣpānāmitavṛkṣāgrāḥ phalānāmitakā bhavet || 12:130 ||

Vipula [also] saw [there] many beautiful trees, their branches bending low under the weight of blossoms and fruits.

sarvaratnamayā vṛkṣāḥ sarvaratnamayaṃ jalam | vṛkṣagulmalatāvallī kandamūlaphalāni ca || 12:131 ||

The trees and the waters all appeared to be made of precious gems. The trees, shrubs, creepers, vines, roots, and fruits

sarve ratnamayā dṛṣṭā vipulo vipulekṣaṇaḥ | anekabhaumaṃ prāsādaṃ muktādāmavibhūṣitam || 12:132 ||

all seemed to Vipula's astonished eyes to consist of jewels. There was a multi-storeyed palace decorated with garlands of pearls,

apsarogaṇakoṭībhiḥ sarvābharaṇabhūṣitam | vimānakoṭikoṭīnāṃ sarvakāmasamanvitam || 12:133 ||

^{12.128} I take *mandāratala* as a stem form compound (for *mandāratalāni*). Note that all witnesses read *kuṭṭimāṃ or *kuṭṭimām for the masculine plural accusative—to go with dṛṣṭvā in 12.127a.

^{12.129} $P\bar{a}da$ a is unmetrical. Understand the nominatives in $p\bar{a}da$ s cd as (plural) accusatives, and $p\bar{a}da$ c as a compound.

^{12.130} Note °vṛkṣā in pāda b as a stem form noun for °vṛkṣā or °vṛkṣān (manoramāḥ/-ān). One could simply correct the pāda to nānāvṛkṣān manoramān, but then the next line should also be altered. bhavet in pāda d is out of context.

^{12.132} Note the odd syntax of $p\bar{a}das$ ab. $P\bar{a}da$ b should be understood as a phrase in the instrumental case. Alternatively, $drst\bar{a}$ is used as a finite verb (see p. 36). C_{45} tries to correct the syntax by reading $drst\bar{a}$. $P\bar{a}da$ c is a ma-vipul \bar{a} .

adorned with millions of groups of Apsarases beautified with all kinds of ornaments, and millions and millions of ærial chariots floating above, fulfilling every wish.

brahmalokasabhā ramyā sūryakoṭisamaprabhā | tatra brahmā sukhāsīno nānāratnopaśobhite || 12:134 ||

The assembly hall in Brahmā's world was charming, shining like millions of suns. Brahmā sat there at ease, [on a throne] decorated with many kinds of jewels,

caturmūrtiś caturvaktraś caturbāhuś caturbhujaḥ | caturvedadharo devaś caturāśramanāyakaḥ || 12:135 ||

with his four embodiments, four faces, four arms, and four hands. The god who governs of the four social disciplines (āśrama) held the four Vedas.

caturvedāvṛtas tatra mūrtimanta-m-upāsate | gāyatrī vedamātā ca sāvitrī ca surūpiṇī || 12:136 ||

And around him stood the four Vedas themselves, embodied, worshipping him. Gāyatrī, mother of the Vedas, and beautiful Sāvitrī,

vyāhṛtiḥ praṇavaś caiva mūrtimān samupāsate | vauṣaṭkāro vaṣaṭkāro namaskāraḥ sa mūrtimān || 12:137 ||

the Vyāhṛti[s] [Bhūr, Bhuvaḥ, Svar], and Praṇava [Oṃ]—all these stood there in their embodied forms, serving [Him], as did [the mantras] Vauṣaṭ, Vaṣaṭ, and Namaḥ.

^{12.133} I understand pādas ab as if it read apsarogaņakoṭībhiḥ sarvābharaṇabhūṣi-tair bhūṣitam. Perhaps understand vimāṇakoṭikoṭīnām as vimāṇakoṭīnāṃ koṭibhiḥ and °samanvitam as °samanvitāṇām. This is what, e.g., ŚDhŚ 10.41 suggests (see the apparatus).

 $^{12.134 \,} P\bar{a}das$ c may have intended to read $tatra\ brahm\bar{a}\ sukh\bar{a}sane$, or at least $\bar{a}sane$ is implied in $p\bar{a}da$ d.

^{12.136} The context dictates that pāda b be understood in the plural (mūrtimanta upāsate), with a hiatus-filler -m- (cf. Devīpurāṇa 12.12.53cd: saptakoṭimahāmantrā mūrtimanta upāsate). For Gāyatrī being 'the mother of the Vedas,' see, e.g., MBh Suppl. 14.4.494: yo japet pāvanīṃ devīṃ gāyatrīm vedamātaram.

^{12.137} Note the singular *mūrtimān* in *pāda* b governing each singular subject in 12.136cd and 137a.

śrutiḥ smṛtiś ca nītiś ca dharmaśāstraṃ samūrtimat | itihāsaḥ purāṇaṃ ca sāṃkhyayogaḥ patañjalam || 12:138 ||

[There too stood] in embodied form, Śruti and Smṛti, and Nīti and Dharmaśāstra, as well as Itihāsa, the Purāṇas, and Pātañjala Sāṃkhyayoga.

āyurvedo dhanurvedo vedo gāndharva-m-eva ca | arthavedo 'nyavedāś ca mūrtimān samupāsate || 12:139 ||

Āyurveda, Dhanurveda, Gāndharvaveda, Arthaveda, and other Vedas were present there in embodied form.

tato brahmā samutthāya abhigamya janārdanam | gāṃ ca arghaṃ ca dattvaivam āsyatām iti cābravīt || 12:140 ||

Then Brahmā rose and approached Janārdana [Viṣṇu]. He gifted him a cow and gave him guest-water, and said, 'Please, take a seat.

maṇiratnamaye divye āsane garuḍadhvajaḥ | devarājo raviḥ somo gandharvaḥ plavageśvaraḥ || 12:141 ||

The one with the banner with Garuḍa on it [i.e., Viṣṇu, should please sit] on [this] divine throne made of gems and precious stones. Let the king of the gods [Indra], the Sun, the Moon, the Gandharva, the monkey king,

vipulas ca mahāsattva āsyatām ratna-āsane | sādhu bho vipula sreṣṭha sādhu bho vipulam tapaḥ || 12:142 ||

^{12.138} Understand samūrtimat simply as mūrtimat.

See notes to verses 6.5 and 8.6 on how Itihāsa is primarily the *Mahābhārata*.

It is difficult to say if sāṃkhya-yoga in pāda d signifies one or two things. I could have chosen to separate them, interpreting sāṃkhya as a stem form noun, because in other parts of the text, sāṃkhya and yoga are usually treated as two different traditions. See 8.1–3, 16.36–37 (here clearly separate), and 23.5c (again, clearly separate). In any case, one should probably understand patañjalam as pātañjalaḥ metri causa, with gender confusion. Another, less likely, possibility is that sāṇkhyayoga and pātañjalayoga are somehow contrasted here.

^{12.139} Note C_{45} and C_{02} 's attempt to include the Atharvaveda in this list. I find it more likely—partly because the 'four Vedas' have already been mentioned in 12.36a—that by *arthaveda* Kauṭilya's Arthaśāstra is being referred to here.

and Vipula, the great man, all sit on [these] gem-encrusted thrones. Well done, excellent Vipula! Congratulations for your enormous (vipula) austerity!

sādhu bho vipulaprājña sādhu bho vipulaśriya | toṣitāḥ sma vayam sarve brahmaviṣṇumaheśvarāḥ || 12:143 ||

Well done, you of vast wisdom (*vipulaprajña*)! Well done, you of enormous fortune (*vipulaśriya*)! We—Brahmā, Viṣṇu, and Maheśvara—are all pleased with you,

ādityā vasavo rudrāḥ sādhyāśvinau marut tathā | bhuṅkṣva bhogān yathotsāhaṃ mama loke yathāsukham || 12:144 ||

[as are] the Ādityas, the Vasus, the Rudras, the Sādhyas, the Aśvins, and the Marut[s]. Enjoy to your heart's content all the pleasures of my world.

iyaṃ vimānakoṭīnāṃ tavārthāyopakalpitā | sahasrāṇāṃ sahasrāṇi apsarā kāmarūpiṇī | tavārthīyopasarpanti sarvālaṃkārabhūṣitāḥ || 12:145 ||

Among these millions of ærial chariots, this one has been prepared for you. There are thousands upon thousands of sensual Apsarases, adorned with every kind of ornament, ready to court you.

yāvat kalpasahasrāṇi parārdhāni tapodhana | yatra yatra prayāsitvaṃ tatra tatropabhujyatām || 12:146 ||

^{12.142} Note how Bhīmabala and Puṇḍaka are not mentioned here. They have either not made it to Brahmā's palace, or are kept standing. Note Brahmā's puns on Vipula's name in $p\bar{a}da$ d and in the next verse.

^{12.143} Understand °śriya as the singular masculine vocative of °śrī.

^{12.144} $P\bar{a}da$ b is iambic. MSS $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}K_7$ read *bhogāṃ* for the plural accusative *bhogān* (silently corrected).

^{12.145} *iyam* (f.) in *pāda* a stands for either *ayam* (m.) or *idam* (n.), agreeing with the gender of *vimāna*. Alternatively, the sentence aims, rather clumsily, to convey the meaning 'all these millions of ærial vehicles...' Note that here, as often in this text, nouns and adjectives stand in the singular after numbers such as a thousand (see pp. 33 ff). Understand *tavārthīyopasarpanti* in *pāda* e as *tavārthīyā upasarpanti* (double sandhi). *tavārthāyo*° may work as well (C_{45} and K_{82}) but I consider *tavārtīyo*° the lectio difficilior, thus potentially the original reading.

[This state of affairs will go on] for a thousand hundred quadrillion æons, O great ascetic. Wherever there is effort, there will be enjoyment.'

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maheśvara uvāca |
iti śrutvā vacas tasya vipulo vipulekṣaṇaḥ |
vepamāno bhayatrasta aśrupūrṇākulekṣaṇaḥ || 12:147 ||
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Maheśvara spoke: Hearing His words, Vipula—his eyes wild with wonder (*vipulekṣaṇa*), trembling, shaking with fear, his bewildered eyes brimming with tears—

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praṇamya śirasā bhūmau praṇipatya punaḥ punaḥ |
uvāca madhuraṃ vākyaṃ brahmalokapitāmaham || 12:148 ||
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bowed his head, prostrated himself on the ground again and again, and spoke these gentle words to [Brahmā,] the Grandfather of Brahmaloka:

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vipula uvāca |
bhagavan sarvalokeśa sarvalokapitāmaha |
svapnabhūtam ivāścaryaṃ paśyāmi tridaśeśvara |
smṛtibhraṃśaś ca me jāto buddhir jātāndhacetanā || 12:149 ||
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Vipula spoke: 'Revered Sir, Lord of all the worlds, Grandfather of all beings—before my eyes I see a wondrous vision like a dream, O Lord of the Thirty[-Three] Gods. My memory fails me, and my mind's intelligence is overcome with darkness.

^{12.147} We are forced to accept E's reading of *bhayatrasta* in $p\bar{a}da$ c because it is far superior to the readings of all other witnesses. In fact, paper MS K_{41} , a source close to E's sources (not collated for this chapter) reads *bhayamtrasta*, which is close enough. The rejected reading (*bhayas tatra*) may have been the result of a simple metathesis (*tra-sta* to *sta-tra*).

^{12.148} The compound *brahmalokapitāmahaḥ* may sound tautological as an epithet of Brahmā but it does occur in the MBh (12.336.30b) and in other texts (PadmaS 3.193d, JRY 3.14.198b). Otherwise, the word *brahma* may stand for the accusative here (*brahmānaṃ*), or may be corrupted from *sarva*° (see next verse).

^{12.149} Note that E adds a line here, see the apparatus. Its translation is the following: 'I am a fool, how could I praise you? You are beyond knowledge, beyond the ultimate.' I have not been able to locate this line in any of the available sources, not even in paper manuscripts.

tubhyaṃ trailokyabandho bhava mama śaraṇaṃ trāhi saṃsāraghorād
bhīto 'haṃ garbhavāsāj jaramaraṇabhayāt trāhi māṃ mohabandhāt
|
nityaṃ rogādhivāsam aniyatavapuṣaṃ trāhi māṃ kālapāśāt
tiryaṃ cānyonyabhakṣaṃ bahuyugaśataśas trāhi mohāndhakārāt || 12:150 ||

You govern the three worlds. Be my refuge. Protect [me] from terrible cycle of rebirth. I am afraid of life in the womb, and of the terror of old age and death. Protect me from the snare of illusions. Dwelling in illness is eternal. Protect me, whose body is not controlled, from the noose of time. Living in animal forms means mutual slaughter over many hundreds of æons. Protect [me] from the darkness of illusion.'

śrutvaivovāca brahmā vipulamati punar mānayitvā yathāvad āhūtasamplavānte bhaviṣyasi tava me janmalobho na bhūyaḥ | garbhāvāsaṃ na ca tvan na ca punamaraṇaṃ kleśam āyāsapūrṇaṃ chittvā mohāndhaśatruṃ vrajasi ca paramaṃ brahmabhūyatvam eṣi || 12:151 ||

Hearing [this], Brahmā spoke to [Vipula], of vast intellect (*vipulamati*), honouring [him] properly: 'You will live until the floods of cosmic destruction. You will no longer have any desire for rebirth. There will be no life in the womb for you, no rebirth, no wearisome suffering. Killing the enemy that is the darkness of illusions, you will attain the ultimate—absorption into the Brahman.'

^{12.150} Metre (12.150–151): *sragdharā*. We have to understand *tubhyaṃ*, as often in this text, as an instrumental (see 12.96c and 101a above). Note that in *pāda* c of this Sragdharā verse, the final syllable of *rogādhivāsam* scans as long. This is a phenomenon seen many times in this text (see p. 42).

^{12.151} The stem form noun "mati" of the bahuvrīhi compound in $p\bar{a}da$ a may stand for matih (see the unmetrical reading in $C_{94}C_{45}K_{82}$), and then it should refer to Brahmā himself ('Brahmā, the one with a huge intellect...'). I have chosen to take mati as a stem form noun standing for the accusative, referring to Vipula. This works better because mānayitvā (and śrutvā) requires an object. Note āhūtasamplava instead of the more common ābhūtasamplava (both unmetrical here; see also 2.13). me in pāda b is difficult to interpret (perhaps 'you will live with me'?). I take tvan na in pāda c as the ablative tvad used as a genitive, plus na. Note the krama licence in operation in pādas a and b: bra in brahmā,

maheśvara uvāca |

brahmaņā evam uktas tu viṣṇunā prabhaviṣṇunā |

evam bhavatu bhadram vo yathovāca pitāmahaḥ || 12:152 ||

Maheśvara spoke: When Brahmā had thus addressed [Vipula], Lord Viṣṇu [said:] 'So be it! May it be as Grandfather has declared. Blessings upon you!'

indrena ravinā caiva somena ca punah punah |

sādhyādityair marudrudrair viśvebhir vasavais tathā || 12:153 ||

[Then] Indra, Ravi and Soma, the Sādhyas, the Ādityas, the Maruts, the Rudras, the Viśve[śas], and the Vasus [cried out:]

aho tapaḥphalaṃ divyaṃ vipulasya mahātmanaḥ |

svaśarīro divam prāptaḥ śraddhayātithipūjayā || 12:154 ||

'Wow, what a divine reward for the penance of great-souled Vipula! Through the merit of his sincere hospitality to a guest, he has reached heaven in his very own body.'

evam ādīny anekāni vipule parikīrtitam |

brahmāṇaṃ punar evāha viṣṇur viśvajagatprabhuḥ || 12:155 ||

This and many other things are related in the [story of] Vipula. Then Visnu, Lord of the whole universe, turned back towards Brahmā.

|| iti vṛṣasārasaṃgrahe vipulopākhyāno nāmādhyāyo dvādaśamaḥ || Here ends the twelfth chapter in the Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha called the Story of Vipula.

and possibly *sya* in *bhaviṣyasi* do not turn the previous syllable heavy, although the latter is unusual because the syllables taking part in this licence should be at word-final position (see pp. 39).

^{12.153} Note that I had to accept E's reading in *pāda* d, and note *vasavais* probably for *vasubhiḥ*.

^{12.155} The reference here to a 'Vipula section' is probably to MBh 13.39.1ff, although this story is not to be found there. See p. 25. Alternatively, *vipule* simply means 'concerning Vipula.'

The story ends abruptly here in the VSS. The next chapter starts with a short summary by Devī of the previous chapters:

devy uvāca |

ahimsātithyakānām ca śruto dharmah suvistarah

kim na kurvanti manujāḥ sukhopāyam mahat phalam || 13.1 ||

svasarīrasthito yajnah svasarīre sthitam tapah

svašarīre sthitam tīrtham šruto vistarato mayā | 13.2 ||

Symbols and Abbreviations

Symbols and abbreviations in the apparatus

- --- A number of *akṣara*s are lost in the manuscript.
- N number of *akṣara*s are lost in the manuscript.
- ≤ A single *akṣara* is illegible in the manuscript.
- Abbreviation sign indicating that the reading is part of a longer sequence of syllables.
- () Parentheses enclose syllables that are poorly legible.
- Σ Reading in all our sources, with only one or two sources having a different reading.
- C_{Σ} Reading in all three of our Cambridge manuscripts.
- = Equals sign indicates an identical parallel for the main text.
- \approx Approximate sign indicates an approximate parallel for the main text.
- A bullet separates different lemmas within the same *pāda*.
- †...† cruces embrace a highly corrupted word or passage that I have not been able to improve upon.
- [...] Headings given in [square brackets] in the critical edition and the translation have been supplied to clarify the context.

 These are not supposed to be part of the original Sanskrit text.
- ac before correction
- pc after correction
- cf. confer (compare with)
- conj. conjecture
- corr. correction
- em. emendation

Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha

f., ff. folio, folios
om. omit(s)
p., pp. page, pages
r recto
v verso
(unmetr.) unmetrical
(hypometr.) hypometrical
(hypermetr.) hypermetrical

For more detail, see pp. 77ff; for manuscript sigla, see pp. 61 ff. Abbreviations for the parallel sources are given in the bibliography.

Additional signs and abbreviations

Cod. codex

CUDL University of Cambridge Digital Library

(https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk)

MS(S) manuscript(s)

NGMPP Nepal-German Manuscript Preservation Project

Siddham Siddham, the Asia Inscriptions Database

https://siddham.network

s.v. sub voce

TAK Tāntrikābhidhānakośa; see Bibliography

VSS Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha

tr. translated

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Nepālamāhātmya: see Acharya 1992

Padmapurāṇa: see CHECK
Buddhacarita: see CHECK
Bodhisattvabhumi: see CHECK
Brahmāndapurāna: see CHECK

Bhagavadgītā: see Sukthankar and al. 1927–1966 CHECK

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Yogasūtra: see CHECK

Raghuvamśa: see

Rasārņavasudhākara: see Venkatacharya 1979

Vāgmatīmāhātmyapraśaṃsā:

Vājasaneyisamhitā: see Weber 1972

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Viṣṇudharma: see Grünendahl 1983 Viṣṇupurāṇa: see Pathak 1997–1999 OTHER PURANAS, Śivadharma texts

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