

विषया याति विप्रस्य विभिः श्रोत्रिय उच्यते || or जात्या कुलेन वृत्तेन स्वाध्यायेन धुनेन च । एतैर्युक्तो हि यस्मिन्नेति यं स द्विज उच्यते ||). -2 A priest, theologian. -3 An epithet of Agni. -4 N. of the twenty-eighth Nakshatra. -ण 1 An assemblage or society of Brāhmanas. -2 That portion of the Veda which states rules for the employment of the hymns at the various sacrifices, their origin and detailed explanation, with sometimes lengthy illustrations in the shape of legends or stories. It is distinct from the *Mīmāṃsā* portion of the Veda. -3 N. of that class of the Vedic works which contain the Brāhmaṇa portion (regarded as *Śruti* or part of the revelation like the hymns themselves). Each of the four Vedas has its own Brāhmaṇa or Brāhmaṇas:—*ऋग्वेद* or *आश्वलायन* and *कौत्सीयकी* or *सांख्यायन* belonging to the *Rigveda*; *शतपथ* to the *Yajurveda*; *पंचविंश* and *षड्विंश* and six more, to the *Sāmaveda*, and *गोपथ* to the *Atharvaveda*. -3 The Soma vessel of the Brahman priest. -Comp. -अतिक्रमः offensive or disrespectful conduct towards Brāhmanas, insult to Brāhmanas; *ब्राह्मणातिक्रमस्यागो भवतानेव भूतये* Mv. 2. 10. -अपाश्रयः seeking shelter with Brāhmanas. -अभ्युपपात्तिः *f.* protection or preservation of, or kindness shown to, a Brāhmaṇa. -आत्मक *a.* belonging to Brāhmanas. -हन्तः the slayer of a Brāhmaṇa. -चांडालः 1. a degraded or outcast Brāhmaṇa; Ms. 9. 87. -2. the son of a Śūdra father by a Brāhmaṇi woman. -जाते, -जातिः *f.* the Brāhmaṇa caste. -जीविका the occupation or means of livelihood prescribed for a Brāhmaṇa; *अध्यापनमध्ययनं यजनं याजनं तथा । दानं प्रतिग्रहश्चैव षट्कर्मण्यग्रजन्मनः ||* वर्णा तु कर्मणामस्य जीणि कर्मणि जीविका याजनाध्यापने चैव विशुद्धाश्च प्रतिग्रहः ||. -द्रव्यं, -स्वः a

Brāhmaṇa's property. -निद्रकः a blasphemer or reviler of Brāhmanas. -विशः N. of Vishnu. -बुधः one who pretends to be a Brāhmaṇa, one who is a Brāhmaṇa only in name and neglects the duties of his caste; *बहवो ब्राह्मणबुधानिवर्तन्ति* Dk.; Ms. 7. 85; 8. 20. -भूविष्ट *a.* consisting for the most part of Brāhmanas. -वधः the murder of a Brāhmaṇa, Brāhmanicide. -संतर्पण feeding or satisfying Brāhmanas

ब्राह्मणकः 1 A bad or unworthy Brāhmaṇa (only in name). -2 A family of such a Brāhmaṇa. -3 N. of a country inhabited by warlike Brāhmanas.

ब्राह्मणता-स्वः The state or rank of a Brāhmaṇa.

ब्राह्मणवा *ind.* Among Brāhmanas.

ब्राह्मणतात् *ind.* In the possession of Brāhmanas, as in *ब्राह्मणतात् भवति धनं*

ब्राह्मणपठसिन् *m.* N. of a priest, the assistant of the priest called *Brahman* q. v.

ब्राह्मणायनः A Brāhmaṇa descended from learned and holy progenitors.

ब्राह्मणी 1 A woman of the Brāhmaṇa caste. -2 The wife of a Brāhmaṇa. -3 Intellect; (*बुद्धि* according to *नीलकण्ठ*). -4 A kind of lizard. -4 A kind of wasp. -6 A kind of grass. -Comp. -गानिन् *m.* the paramour of a Brāhmaṇa woman.

ब्राह्मण्य *a.* Befitting a Brāhmaṇa. -ण्यः An epithet of the planet Saturn. -ण्यं 1 The station or rank of a Brāhmaṇa, priestly or sacerdotal character; *सत्यं सवे ब्राह्मण्येन* Mk. 5; Pt. 1. 66; Ms. 3. 17; 7. 42. -2 A collection of Brāhmanas.

ब्राह्मी 1 The personified female energy of Brahman. -2 Sarasvatī, the goddess of speech. -3 Speech. -4 A tale or narrative. -5 A pious usage or custom. -6 N. of the constellation Rohiṇī. -7

N. of Durgā. -8 A woman married according to the *Brāhma* form of marriage. -9 The wife of a Brāhmaṇa. -10 A kind of medicinal plant. -11 A kind of brass. -12 N. of a river. -Comp. -कंठः a species of bulbous plant. -पुत्रः the son of a Brāhmaṇi, see above; Ms. 3. 27, 37.

ब्राह्मण *a.* (घो *f.*) [*ब्रह्मण इदं व्यञ्ज*]

1 Relating to Brahman, the creator.

-2 Relating to the Supreme Spirit.

-3 Relating to the Brāhmanas.

-ब्रह्मं 1 Wonder, astonishment (*विस्मय*).

-2 Worship of the Brāhmanas. -Comp. -सुहृत्=ब्राह्मणसुहृत् q. v.

-हृत् hospitality to guests; see *ब्रह्मण*; Ms. 3. 74.

ब्रू 2 U. (*ब्रवीति*, *ब्रूते* or *अब्रू*; this root is defective in the non-conjugal tenses, its forms being made up from *वच्*) 1 To say, tell, speak (with two acc.); *तां.....ब्रूया एवं* Me. 101; *रामं ब्रूयादस्यितं सर्वं आता ब्रूयन् स्व विद्वलः* Bk. 6. 8; or *माणवकं धर्मं ब्रूय* Sk.; *किं त्वां प्रति ब्रूयहे* Bv. 1. 46. -2 To say or speak about, refer to (a person or thing); *अहं तु शकुंतलमधिकृत्य ब्रवीमि* S. 2. -3 To declare, proclaim, publish, prove, indicate; *ब्रूयन् हि कथेन साधवो न तु कंठेन निजोपयोगितां* N. 2. 48; *स्तनयुगपरेणाहं मेडलाभ्यां ब्रवीति* Ratn. 2. 13. -4 To name, call, designate; *छंसि दक्षा ये कवचस्तन्मणिवध्यं ते ब्रूयते* Śrut. 15. -5 To answer; *ब्रूहि मे प्रश्नान्*. -6 To call or profess one self to be. -With अनु to say, speak, declare. -नित् to explain, derive. -प्र to say, speak, tell; Bk 8. 85. -प्रति to speak in reply, answer or reply; *प्रत्यब्रवीचैनं* R. 2. 42. -वि 1. to say, speak. -2. to speak falsely or wrongly.

ब्रूव, ब्रूवाण *a.* Professing or pretending to be, calling oneself by a name to which he has no real title (at the end of comp.), as in *ब्राह्मणब्रूव*, *क्षत्रियब्रूव* &c.

बलेष्क A snare, net, noose.