

P R E F A C E

Volume II of the *Kṛdantarūpamālā* was released last year about this time by His Holiness Sri Sankaracharya of Kanchi Kamakoti Pitha when he sanctified the new premises of the Samskrit Education Society, Madras, at Pettai by performing its auspicious *Grihapravesa* and by performing His Pujas and austerities there, in the course of His Vijaya-yatra.

Volume III of this Concordance is released on the occasion of the Seventyfourth birthday of His Holiness, on 24-5-1967, which is being celebrated by his devotees all over the country.

Reference has already been made in the Preface to the second volume to the excellent reception which the Society's undertaking has received from the world of students and scholars of Sanskrit.

Volume III of the *Kṛdantarupamala* in 300 pages deals with roots, from *Ci* to *Dhū*. The material has been organised and set forth on the same plan as that followed in the first two Volumes. There has been no departure in the method or in the quantum of information set forth. The gap in our work created by the passing away of Sastraratnakara Kulapati Pandit S. Ramasubba Sastri has been filled by the young Pandits Sri V. Srivatsankacharya and Sri T. K. Pranatartiharana, who had been trained by Sri Ramasubba Sastrigal himself and both of whom had been associated with the distinguished Pandit in the preparation of the ms. of previous volumes.

As in the case of the earlier volumes, I have been supervising the work and also reading the final proofs of the work. Pandit Sri A. M. Srinivasachariar has been continuing to give his assistance in the checking of the references and in the revision of the proofs.

It is our hope that with the blessings of His Holiness Sri Chandrasekharendra Sarasvati Swamigal, Sankaracharya of Kanchi Kamakoti Pitha, whose inspiration has been our main sustaining force, we will be able to complete our undertakings successfully.

V. RAGHAVAN.