

## P R E F A C E

The Samskrit Education Society, Madras has been able to bring out the fourth, the penultimate, volume of the *Kṛdantarūpamālā* comprising 342 pages and dealing with 540 Roots in a year's time after the publication of the third volume. It is a matter for gratification that following in the footsteps of their teacher, the late Sri S. Ramasubba Sastrigal, his two S'iṣyas, Pts. V. Srivatsankacharya and T.K. Pranatartiharan, have maintained the standard of the earlier volumes. The present volume includes some Roots the citation of the correct forms of whose derivatives, with the requisite authorities, entailed diligent search on the part of the compilers. The strain of seeing through the orderly presentation of the diversified material in the main body of the work and in the supporting rules and illustrations in the footnotes is offset by the revelation at each step of the wondrous richness of the language and the beauty of its structure.

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The authorities of the Society feel very much encouraged by reviews and notices of the earlier Volumes of this work, such as the one in the *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, Volume 87, April—June 1967.

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