

Listed by Samjaya among the northern *mlecchas* of Bhāratavarṣa 6. 10. 5; (*uttarās cāpare mlecchā janā bharata-sattama*) 6. 10. 63; (*tathaiva daśamālikāḥ*) 6. 10. 65; described as fierce (*dāruṇā mlecchajātayaḥ*) 6. 10. 64.

Daśāpārśva m. (pl.) : Name of a Janapada.

Listed by Samjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas 6. 10. 68) of Bhāratavarṣa 6. 10. 37, 5; (*vānāyavo daśāpārśva ...*) 6. 10. 54.

Daśārṇa m. (pl.) : Name of a Janapada and its people; the people or warriors of Daśārṇa also referred to as **Dāśārṇa** or **Dāśārṇaka** (f. -ikā).

A. Location : Listed by Samjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas 6. 10. 68) of Bhāratavarṣa (*ata ūrdhvam janapadān nibodha*) 6. 10. 37, 5; (*uttamaujā daśārṇās ca*) 6. 10. 39; mentioned as Janapada also in 4. 1. 9; were there two Daśārṇas : (1) one to the east of Hāstinapura, and (2) another to its south? : (1) Bhīmasena in his conquest of the east (2. 26. 1, 7) reached Daśārṇa country after crossing Gaṇḍakī river and conquering the Videhas (*tataḥ sa gaṇḍakīm sūro videhāns ca ...*) vijitya ... *daśārṇān agamat prabhuh*) 2. 26. 4; the name of their king was Sudharman (*tatra dāśārṇako rājā sudharmā*) 2. 26. 5; (2) Daśārṇa also mentioned as surrounding the Kurus (*paritaḥ kurūn*) 4. 1. 9; before reaching the Matsya country Pāṇḍavas had to go along the north of Daśārṇa and the south of Pāñcāla (*uttareṇa daśārṇāns te pāñcālān dakṣiṇena tu*) 4. 5. 3; the name of their king was Hiraṇya-

varman (*sa rājā daśārṇeṣu ... hiranyavarmā*) 5. 190. 11. **B. Description :** Pleasing (*ramya*) and rich in harvest (*bahvanna*) 4. 1. 9; sinful (*āgaskṛt*) 1. 105. 8 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 1. 113. 25 : *āgaskṛtaḥ coraprāyāḥ parvatādyāśrayitvāt*); skilled in fighting while riding elephants (*gajayodhināḥ, gajayuddheṣu kuśalāḥ*) 8. 17. 2-3; their name contains the word *daśa* (?) (*daśerakā daśa dāśā dāśārṇāḥ*) 3. 134. 16. **C. Epic events :** (1) Pāṇḍu in his expedition after his marriage with Kuntī conquered first the Daśārṇas 1. 105. 8; (2) Kṛṣṇa told Karṇa that if he were to join Pāṇḍavas, Daśārṇas would form part of his retinue (*parivārās te dāśārṇāś ca*) 5. 138. 23; (3) On the second day of war, Daśārṇakas (on the side of Pāṇḍavas) were stationed at the neck (*dāśārṇakāḥ ... grīvāyām*) of the Krauñcāruṇavyūha of Pāṇḍavas 6. 46. 33, 46; (4) On that day the Daśārṇas (on the side of the Kauravas), led by Droṇa, followed Bhīṣma who was at the head of their Mahāvyūha 6. 47. 10, 12; (5) On the sixteenth day, instigated by Duryodhana, Daśārṇas riding elephants attacked Dhṛṣṭadyumna 8. 17. 3; (6) The Aśvamedha horse visited the Daśārṇas 14. 84. 5. **D. Past event :** Damayantī born in the Daśārṇa country (*tvam tu jātā ... daśārṇeṣu*) 3. 66. 13. **E. Different person(s) referred to variously :** (i) King of Daśārṇas : *daśārṇa* Hiraṇyavarman 6. 91. 44; *daśārṇarāja* Hiraṇyavarman 5. 190. 21; (also called Kāñcanavarman 5. 190. 20); 5. 193. 26; *rājā daśārṇānām* 7. 25. 28; *rājā daśārṇeṣu* 5. 190. 11; *daśārṇopati* Hiraṇyavarman 5. 192. 8; 5. 193. 20; *daśārṇādhipati* (1) Hiraṇyavarman 5. 190,