

inferred) one obtained excellent fame (*yaśo 'śādhāsv anuttamam*) 13. 89. 10.

Pauṣa m. : Name of a month

Angiras had told Bhīṣma that if one spent the month of Pauṣa eating only once a day (*bhaktenaikena yaḥ kṣapet*) he was born fortunate, handsome and famous 13. 109. 19.

Pauṣya adj. : (of a *yoga*) related to the *nakṣatra* Puṣya.

The sage Vyāsa asked first Yudhiṣṭhira to hold the hand (in marriage) of Kṛṣṇā since that was an auspicious day when the moon was going to have the Pauṣya *yoga* i. e. be in conjunction with Puṣya (*adya puṣyāham uta pāṇḍaveya / adya pausyaṁ yogam upaiti candramāḥ*) 1. 190. 5 (Nī., however, on Bom. Ed. 1. 198. 5 : *pausyaṁ puṣyatī aneneti taṁ na tu puṣyaṁ tasyāvaivāhika-tvāt*). [See Puṣya]

Prājāpatya¹ nt. : See Kṛtayuga.

Prājāpatya² nt. : Name of an asterism.

Among the bad omens pointed out by Karna to Kṛṣṇa one was related to the lustrous, sharp planet Śanaīścara afflicting the Prājāpatya *nakṣatra* (= Rohiṇī?) while simultaneously afflicting living beings all the more (*prājāpatyaṁ hi nakṣtraṁ grahas tīkṣṇo mahādyutiḥ / śanaīścaraḥ pīḍayati pīḍayan prāṇīno 'dhikam*) 5. 141. 7 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 5. 143. 8 : *prājāpatyaṁ rohiṇīnakṣatram / prajānām patir duryodhanas tadyaṁ nāma nakṣatram uttarābhādrapadākhyaṁ iti vā / tena patyuh pīḍayā prāṇinām api pīḍeti yuktaṁ / yad vā pṛthvikūrmodarasthān rohiṇīm śanaīścaraḥ pīḍayati tena madhyadeśe mahān kṣyo rājño nāśaś ceti bhāvah* /).

Proṣṭhapadā : See Pūrvā Bhādrapadā and Uttarā Bhādrapadā.

Prausthapada m. : Name of the month Bhādrapada.

Angiras had told Bhīṣma (13. 109. 9) that one who spent the month of Prausthapada taking food only once a day obtained rich, prosperous and steady power (*prauṣṭhapadam tu yo māsam ekāhāro bhaven naraḥ / dhanāḍhyaṁ sphītam acalam aiśvaryaṁ pratipadyate*) 13. 109. 27.

Phalguṇa m. : Name of a month.

A. Epic event : The Pāṇḍavas proceeded from Hāstinapura to Vārāṇavata on the eighth day of the month of Phalguṇa and under the constellation Rohiṇī (*aṣṭame 'hani rohiṇyām prayātāḥ phalgunasya te*) 1. 133. 30. [See Bhagadaiva]

Phalgunī : See Pūrvā Phalgunī and Uttarā Phalgunī.

Budha m : Name of a planet (Mercury).

A. Importance : Budha, along with other planets, visits the *sabhā* of Brahmadeva 2. 11. 20; mentioned, along with other planets, in the Daivatavamśa 13. 151. 12.

B. Name of Sūrya : Budha appears as the 24th name among the 108 names of Sūrya taught by Dhaumya to Yudhiṣṭhira 3. 3. 19.

C. Simile : (1) Droṇa and Arjuna confronted each other in battle like Budha and Śukra in the sky 6. 97. 57; (2) The confronting of Duṣṣāsaṇa and Prativindhya appeared like that of Budha and Bhārgava (i. e. Śukra) in a cloudless sky 7. 143. 30; (3) Dhṛṣṭaketu and Bāhlikā fought each other like angry Angāraka (Mars) and Budha 6. 43. 38; (4) Abhimanyu and Citrasena, when they met each other on the battlefield, shone like Budha and Śanaīścara in the sky 6. 100. 20;