

Kurujaṅgala and adjacent to the Yāmuna mountain (see epic event No. 2 below). B. Description : The country was very extensive and having ample wealth and grains (*suvisṭirṇaḥ prabhūṭadhanadhānyavān*) 5. 19. 30-31; rich in cattle (*gomant*) 2. 45. 24 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 2. 49. 24; *vāṭāḥ kṣetrādivṛttayaḥ tāsām dhānā abhinavodbhedo yeṣām te iti vyadhikaraṇo bahuvrīhiḥ* | *sasyādisampannakṣetrādivṛttimanta ity arthaḥ*). C. Epic events : (1) In his expedition to the west of the Khāṇḍava-prastha (*niryāya khāṇḍavaprasthāt prati-cīm abhito diśam* 2. 29. 2; 2. 23. 10), Nakula subjugated the Vāṭadhāna Brāhmaṇas (*vaṣe cakre ... vāṭadhānān dvijān atha*); hundreds of Vāṭadhāna Brāhmaṇas (*brāhmaṇā vāṭadhānāś ca ... śatasamgha-śaḥ*) brought as tribute for the Rājasūya thirty billions (of wealth) (*traikharvaṁ balim*), but were stopped at the gate; when they, in addition, gave bright water-pots of gold they were allowed to enter (*kamaṇḍalūn upādāya jātārūpamayāñ śubhān ... praveśam lebhire tataḥ*) 2. 45. 24-25; (2) Since there was not enough room in Hāstinapura to accomodate the army of Kauravas, it spread beyond Pañcanada and Kurujaṅgala to Vāṭadhāna country and Yāmuna mountain 5. 19. 30-31; (3) On the third day of the war, Aśvatthāman and Kṛpa along with Vāṭadhānas and others formed the 'head' (*śīrṣam*) of the Garuḍavyūha of Kauravas 6. 52. 2, 4; (4) At night of the fifteenth day (*nīti* 7. 1. 7), when Droṇa's death was reported to Dhṛtarāṣṭra he mentioned Kṛṣṇa's victory over Vāṭadhānas among his exploits 7. 10. 17; (5) On the seventeenth day, Kṛṣṇa, to encourage

Arjuna, reminded him that during the past sixteen days of war (*adya saptadaśāhant* 8. 51. 2) he had killed large armies of Vāṭadhāna Brāhmaṇas and other Kṣatriyas along with their horses and elephants and broken their chariots (*vrātyānām vāṭadhānānām ... mahāsenā brahmakṣatrasya bhārata* | *... sāsvarathadvipāḥ*) 8. 51. 16-17. D. Vāṭadhāna, name of one of the kings who were born from the Gaṇa called Krodhavaśa (*gaṇaḥ krodhavaśo nāma ... tataḥ samjajñire vīrāḥ kṣitāv iha narādht-pāḥ*) 1. 59. 31; 1. 61. 54; (*vāṭadhāno 'tha gomukhaḥ*) 1. 61. 58 (Has this king's name any relationship with the Janapada named Vāṭadhāna?).

Vāṭajāma m. (pl.) : Name of a Janapada (?).

Mentioned by Samjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas 6. 10. 68) of Bhāratavarṣa (*ata ūrdhvaṁ janapadān nibodha*) 6. 10. 37, 5; (*vāṭajāmarathoragāḥ*) 6. 10. 53 (It is not clear how the compound *vāṭajāmarathoraga* is to be understood) [See Uruga and Rathoraga].

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

Listed by Samjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas 6. 10. 68) of Bhāratavarṣa (*ata ūrdhvaṁ janapadān nibodha*) 6. 10. 37, 5; (*vānarāsyāḥ pravāhāś ca*) 6. 10. 43.

Vānāyu m. (pl.) : Name of a Janapada.

Listed by Samjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas) of Bhāratavarṣa (*vānāyavo daśāpārśvāḥ*) 6. 10. 54; (for other references see the above entry).