Bhārata supposed to have been made by Vyāsa in the Parvasamgraha 1. 2. 41, 33, 70.

Referred to in the contents of the Sabhāpavan 1.2.102; related to Adhyāyas 2.66-72.

Anusasana, Anusasana (1. 2. 201) nt.: Name of the 13th parvan of the Bharata (1. 2. 201, 204-205) among the eighteen major parvans 1. 2. 71.

According to the Parvasamgrahaparvan it has 146 chapters (adhyāyas) and 6700 stanzas (ślokas) 1. 2. 205; it is described as the best (uttama) 1.2.201, and having many topics (subahuvrttānta); considered to be the best instruction (uttamam canusasanam) 1. 2. 204, leading to firm decisions (dharmaniscain matters of aharma yakāraka) 1.2.205; Yudhisthira, having heard from Bhīsma in this parvan his decisions on dharma, regained composure (yatra prakriim āpannah śrutvā dharmaviniścayam) 1. 2. 201; here the matters related to dharma and artha are fully described, as also the fruits of different gifts, the nature of those who deserve gifts, and the rules of giving gifts: it deals with what is (good) conduct and what one ultimately achieves by observing truth 1. 2. 202-203; in this parvan is narrated also the attainment of heaven by Bhīsma 1. 2. 204. [See Anusasanika]

Abhaya m. Name of a dialogue (samvāda) (samvādam abhayam nāma nāmatah) that took place between a Brāhmana who was versed in jnāna and vijnāna and his wife Brāhmanī.

Called itihāsam purātanam 14. 20. 1; the dialogue started when the Brāhmaṇī asked the Brāhmaṇa which world she would go to (after death) having obtained him for husband (14. 20. 4); in this dialogue the Brāhmaṇa stands for mind (manas) and the Brāhmaṇā for understanding (buddhi) of Vāsudeva (Kṛṣṇa) 14. 34. 12; this samvāda was narrated by Vāsudeva to Pārtha (Arjuna); it comprises adhyāyas 14. 20-34.

Abhimanyuvadha m.: Name of the 67th parvan in the list of a hundred sub-parvans of the Bhārata supposed to have been made by Vyāsa in the Parvasamgraha 1. 2. 57, 33, 70; mentioned in the narration of the contents of the Dronaparvan 1. 2. 162; also in the summary of the epic 1. 1. 132-134; related to Adhyāyas 7. 32-51.

Ambopākhyāna nt.: Name of the 59th parvan in the list of a hundred sub-parvans of the Bhārata supposed to have been made by Vyāsa in the Parvasamgraha 1. 2. 54, 33, 70; listed as one of the topics of the Udyogaparvan 1. 2. 150; it comprises Adhyāyas 5. 170-197.

Arghābhiharana nt.: Name of the 25th parvan in the list of a hundred sub-parvans of the Bhārata supposed to have been made by Vyāsa in the Parvasamgraha 1.2.41, 33, 70; alluded to as arghasamvāda in the narration of the contents of the Sabhāparvan 1.2.99; it comprises Adhyāyas 2.33-36.

Arjunasya vane vasah m.: Name of the 17th parvan in the list of a hundred subparvans of the Bharata supposed to have been made by Vyāsa in the Parvasamgraha 1. 2. 38, 33, 70; alluded to as pārthasya vanavāsah in the contents of the Ādiparvan 1. 2. 91; it comprises Adhyāyas 1. 205-210.

A'smagīta nt.: Name of an ancient Itihāsa 12. 28. 2.