was granted (hradāms ca tīrthabhūtā me bhaveyuh / ... hradās ca tava tīrthatvam gamisyanti na samsayah) 3. 81. 27, 30. E. Epic event: (1) While visiting the tīrthas on the river Yamunā, Lomasa pointed out these lakes to Yudhisthira (rāmahradān) 3. 129. 6; (2) Rāmahrada (rāmahrade) was one of the places where Amba bathed (āplāvayata gātrāni) and practised severe austerities to achieve her objective of killing Bhīsma 5, 187, 27-28; (3) While proceeding to Kuruksetra to meet Bhisma, Krsna showed to Yudhisthira at some distance the five lakes of Rama (amī rāmahradāh pañca drévante partha duratah) 12. 48. 8. F. Past event: Rama satisfied his ancestors with the blood of Ksatriyas who were killed by him (yesu samtarpayam asa purvan ksatriyasonitaih); after rendering the earth devoid of Ksatriyas twentyone times Rāma Jamadagnya gave up this activity here (ihedānim tato rāma karmano virarāma ha) 12. 48. 8-9.

Rudrakoti¹ f.: Name of a tirtha.

A. History: Formerly a crore of devout sages sat down in order to see god (Siva); they started for this place vying with one another to see god Siva first; god Siva with his divine power (yogam āsthāya) created a crore of Rudras in front of every one of them so that every one felt that he saw Rudra first (systā kotis tu rudrānām rsīnām agratah sthitā / mayā pūrvataram drsta iti te menire prthak) and did not entertain anger (with the thought that he was behind others in seeing Rudra) (tesām manyupranāśārtham rsīnām); pleased Mahādeva granted them a boon so that their religious merit would increase (adyaprabhrti yusmākam dharmaviddhir bhavisyati) 3. 80. 124128. B. Holiness: A devout pilgrim should visit it; by bathing there, a pure person (narah śucih) gets the fruit of an Aśvamedha and lifts up his family (kulam caiva samuddharet) 3.80.124, 129.

Rudrakoti² f.: Name of a tirtha.

Located at the holy place Saraka in a well and in lakes (sarake kurunandana / rudrakotis tathā kūpe hradesu ca mahīpate //) 3.81.63.

Rudravarta m. : Name of a tirtha.

Situated at the confluence of the rivers Gangā and Sarasvatī; a pilgrim (tīrthasevī) should visit it; by bathing there one gets the fruit of an Asvamedha and when he goes to heaven he is glorified there (svargaloke mahīyate) 3.82.33-34.

Renukatirtha nt. : Name of a tirtha.

Situated near the holy place called Kumārikānām tirtham (renukāyāš ca tatraiva tīrtham) 3. 80. 97-98; described as best (uttama) 3. 81. 139 and resorted to by gods (devanisevita) 3. 80. 98; by bathing there a Brāhmana becomes clean like the moon (vimalaš candramā yathā) 3. 80. 98; by bathing there and by being engaged in the worship of manes and gods (pitrdevārcane ratah) a man's soul is cleansed of all sins and he gets the fruit of an Agnistoma 3. 81, 139.

Raivata¹, Raivataka¹ m.: Name of a mountain.

A. Location: In the west (praticyām); Raivata adorns the town Kuśasthali (Dvārakā) 2.13.49. B. Description: Great mountain (mahāśaila) 14.58.6; (mahā-giri) 14.58.12; chief among mountains (girimukhya) 2.13.52; king of mountains