

vrajet) 13. 26. 12; (according to Nī. on Bom. Ed. on 13. 25. 13 all the holy places listed here are situated on the river Godāvarī; for his remark see *Gāṅgādvāra*).

Brhadvatī f. : Name of a river.

Listed by Saṁjaya among the rivers of the Bhāratavarṣa; people use its water for drinking 6. 10. 29, 13; all the rivers listed here are described as mothers of the universe and very strong 6. 10. 35 (for citation see *Atikṛṣṇā*).

Brahmakulyā f. : Name of a river.

Listed by Saṁjaya among the rivers of the Bhāratavarṣa; people use its water for drinking 6. 10. 34, 13 (for other details see *Brhadvatī*)

Brahmaguhā f. : Name of a place (?)

Kṛṣṇa entered the ancient (*paurāṇī*) Brahmaguhā and saw there before him the merging of the earth (in the ocean) (*mahī-satra*); he, having thrown the Daityas, serpents and the Dānavas into disorder, rescued the earth (*sa paurāṇīm brahmaguhām praviṣṭo mahīsatraṁ bhāratāgre dadarśa / sa caiva gām uddadhārāgryakarmā vikṣobhya daityān uragān dānavānś ca //*) 13. 143. 16 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 13. 158. 17: (*mahīsatraṁ pṛthivyāś chādanam majjanam iti yāvat*; Comm. Vādirāja, however, *brahmaguhām vedahṛdayam*).

Brahmaṇaḥ sthānam¹ nt. : Name of a sacred place; also known as *Brahmodumbara* (*brahmodumbaram ity eva prakāśam bhuvi bhārata*) 3. 81. 58.

A. Description : Described as best (*uttama*) 3. 81. 58; holy (*punya*) 5. 187. 24. B. Holiness : At this place there are

the *kuṇḍas* of seven sages and the field (*kedāra*) of Kapiṣṭhala; one who bathes in these two places and, being pure and having a controlled mind (*śuciḥ prayatamānasaḥ*), worships god Brahman he is cleansed of all sins and reaches heaven 3. 81. 59-60. C. Epic event : One of the sacred places visited by Ambā where she bathed and practised severe austerities 5. 187. 24-25, 28. [See *Brahmaṇaḥ sthānam²*, *Brahmasthāna*].

Brahmaṇaḥ sthānam² nt. : Name of a *tīrtha*.

If a person of a lower birth bathes there he becomes a Brāhmaṇa; and if a Brāhmaṇa bathes there he, with a pure soul, attains (after death) the highest condition (*tatra varṇāvaraḥ snātvā brāhmaṇyaṁ labhate naraḥ / brāhmaṇaś ca viśuddhātmā gaccheta paramām gatim //*) 3. 81. 95. [See *Brahmaṇaḥ sthānam¹* and *Brahmasthāna*]

Brahmaṇas tīrtham nt. : Name of a *tīrtha*.

Sacred to Brahman; described as best (*uttama*); by worshipping god Brahman there one gets the fruit of a Rājasūya and an Aśvamedha sacrifice 3. 82. 88.

Brahmatuṅga¹ nt. : Name of a *tīrtha*.

By visiting it (*samāsāḍya*) one who is pure and has controlled his mind (*śuciḥ prayatamānasaḥ*) and one who is virtuous and is free of the quality of passion (*sukṛtī virajāḥ*) wins the world of Brahman 3. 80. 96.

Brahmatuṅga² m. : Name of a mountain.

Situated in the north (*udīcyām diśi*) 7. 57. 23; Arjuna saw it while he was on his way to the place of Śiva to propitiate him to get his Pāśupatāstra 7. 57. 27.