

(Phalgunā) is loved by women and they remain under his control (*bhagadaivam tu yo māsam ekabhaktena yaḥ kṣapet / strīṣu vallabhatām yāti vaśyāś cāsyā bhavanti tāḥ*) 13. 109. 21. [See Phalgunā]

Bhagadaivata nt. : Name of the Uttarā Phalgunī *nakṣatra*; also called **Bhāgya** (6. 3. 14).

A. Auspicious for marriage : Sage Sthūlakeśa gave Pramadvarā to Ruru fixing the marriage on the following Bhagadaivata *nakṣatra* (i. e. the Uttarā Phalgunī) (*vivāhaṁ sthāpayitvāgre nakṣatre bhagadaivate*) 1. 8. 13 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 1. 8. 16 : *bhagadaivate pūrvayoh phalgunyor iti laukikāḥ / phalgunīnakṣatram aryamā devatā phalgunīnakṣatram bhago devateti śruter uttarāphalgunyor vā vivāhaṁ sthāpayitvā niścītya*). **B.** Bad omen : Among the bad omens noticed by Vyāsa there was one according to which the planet Śanaīścara was afflicting the Bhāgya (i. e. the Uttarā Phalgunī) *nakṣatra* (*bhāgyam nakṣatram ākramya sūryaputreṇa pīḍyate*) 6. 3. 14 (Nī. who reads *bhagam nakṣatram* comments on Bom. Ed. 6. 3. 14 : *bhagam nakṣatram pūrvāphalgunī śrutimate tūttarāphalgunī*). [See Uttarā Phalgunī]

Bharanī f. (pl.) : Name of a constellation.

Religious rites : (1) *dāna* : Nārada told Devakī (13. 63. 2-4) that by offering sesame and cow (? *tiladhenuṁ pradāya vaḥ*) to Brāhmanas under Bharanī (*bharanīṣu*), one obtained many cows and fame in next life 13. 63. 35 (cf., however, the note printed at the end of the *adhyāya* 13. 64 of the Bom. Ed. : *yāvataḥ vastreṇa kṛtsnā dhenur ācchādītā bhavati tadvastrapūritatīlās tiladhenuḥ*); (2) *śrāddha* : Yama told Śāśa-

bindu (13. 89. 1) that by offering a *kāmya śrāddha* under Bharanī one enjoyed excellent life (*āyur uttamam*) 13. 89. 14.

Bhāgya nt. : See Bhagadaivata.

Bhādrapadā f. : See Pūrvā Bhādrapadā and Uttarā Bhādrapadā.

Bhārgava m. : See Śukra¹.

Bhṛgvāṅga(?gi)rasaka adj. : of a certain period of time.

Yudhiṣṭhira asked Bhīṣma the name of the sage who first conceived of the *śrāddha* ceremony, its appropriate time and nature, in the period that was influenced by the Bhṛgu and the Aṅgirasas (*kena saṁkalpitam śrāddham kasmīn kāle kimātmakam / bhṛgvāṅga(?gi)rasake kāle muninā katareṇa vā*) 13. 91. 1 (Nī., however, on Bom. Ed. 13. 91. 1 : *bhṛgvāṅgirasake yadā bhṛgavo 'ṅgirasas ca vartante nānye*).

Bhauma m. : See Aṅgāraka.

Maghā f. (pl.) : Name of a *nakṣatra*.

A. Event : Mythological : Sunda and Upasunda, after performing at night the ceremonies suitable for moving out, marched out under the constellation Maghā for their conquest of the three worlds (*kṛtvā prāsthānikam rātrau maghāsu yayatus tadā*) 1. 202. 2 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 1. 210. 2 : *maghāsu gamanārtham niṣiddhe 'pi nakṣatre asura-tvād yayatuḥ*). **B.** Importance : A certain *tīrtha* named jointly after the Kṛttikā and the Maghā; by visiting this *tīrtha* one obtained the merit of performing the Agniśoma and the Atirātra sacrifices (*kṛtikāmaghayoś caiva tīrtham*) 3. 82. 46. **C.** Omens : (1) Vyāsa told Dhṛtarāṣṭra before the start of the war that a calamity was predicted for the two armies by the planet Mars making retro-