

In his expedition before the Rājasūya went to east (2. 23. 4; 2. 26. 1, 7, 9) and then to the South to reach the capital town of Pulindas; he vanquished there Sukumāra and Sumitra, the kings of Pulindas (*tato dakṣiṇam āgamyā pulindanagaraṁ mahat | sukumāraṁ vaśe cakre sumitraṁ ca narādhipam //*) 2. 26. 10; (2) Pulindas formed a part of Duryodhana's army 5. 158. 20; 8. 51. 20; (3) On the eighth day of war, they followed Droṇa who was behind Bhīṣma standing in the forefront of the Mahāvīruha of Kauravas 6. 83. 7, 22; (4) On the sixteenth day, Pāṇḍya king killed Pulindas riding horses and fighting with *śakti*, *prāsa*, and arrows (*saśaktiprāsātūñīrān aśvārohān*) depriving them of their weapons and arrows with his arrows 8. 15. 9-10. E. Past event : Māṇḍhātṛ asked Indra the nature of the *dharma* to be followed by people like Pulindas and how they should be made to behave properly by kings like him (*katham dharmanī careyus te ... madvidhauś ca katham sthāpyāḥ*) 12. 65. 14-15; Indra then taught the *dharma* of Dasyus 12. 65. 17-23. [ See Pulindaka ].

**Pulindaka m. (pl.)** : Name of a Janapada.

Listed separately from Pulinda by Saṁjaya among the northern Janapadas (also called Deśas 6. 10. 68) of Bhārata-varṣa (*ata ūrdhvaṁ janapadān nibodha*) 6. 10. 37, 5; (*sindhupulindakāḥ*) 6. 10. 39. [ See Pulinda ].

**Puṣkara m.** : Name of a *dvīpa*.

A. Location : It is one of the seven *dvīpas* which are to the north of Jambūdvīpa (*uttareṣu tu ... dvīpeṣu*) 6. 13. 1;

(*sapta tv ahaṁ pravakṣyāmi*) 6. 12. 4. B. Characteristics : It has a mountain called Puṣkara which is full of jewels (*puṣkare puṣkaro nāma parvato maṇiratnamān*) 6. 13. 24; God Prajāpati lives on this mountain and is worshipped with agreeable words by gods and all great sages 6. 13. 24-25; for characteristics which are common to all *Dvīpas* see Kuśadvīpa.

**Paundra(ka)** : See Puṇḍra(ka).

**Pauraka m. (pl.)** : Name of a people.

Their kings (*rājanyāḥ* 2. 48. 13; *kṣatriyāḥ* 2. 48. 16) brought tribute in hundreds for Yudhiṣṭhira's Rājasūya (*paurakā .../... āhārṣuḥ kṣatriyā vittam śataśo 'jātaśatrave*) 2. 48. 13, 16.

**Paurava (Pauravaka) m. (pl.)** : Name of a people, and general characterization of those born in the family of Pūru; only once referred to as Pauravaka (6. 46. 47).

A. Origin : The lineage of Pūru known as Paurava (*pūros tu pauravo vaṁśaḥ*) 1. 80. 27; (*pūroḥ pauravāḥ*) 1. 90. 10; (*tvaṁ me vaṁśakarah sutaḥ | pauravo vaṁśa iti te khyātim loke gamiṣyati*) 1. 70. 45. B. Characteristics of their kings : of famous conduct and wise (*prathitavṛtta, vijñānaśālin*); no one of them ever lacked character, herosim or progeny (*na hy asmiñ śīlahīno vā nirvīryo vā ... prajāvirahito vāpi bhūtapūrvah kadācana //*) 1. 89. 2-3; they were heroic, and in lustre they equalled Indra (*vīrāñ śakrapratimatejaśaḥ*) 1. 89. 4; their acts did not distress others (*akliṣṭakarman*) 1. 109. 20; the poem narrating the Paurava dynasty was in every respect holy, brought good fortune, wealth, long life and fame (*vaṁśam pauravāṇām ca sarvaśaḥ // ... punyaṁ svastyayunaṁ mahat | dhanyaṁ*