

all kinds of weapons and missiles (*sarva-śastrāstrakuśala*) 6. 16. 17; while fighting they put on ornaments, besides armour and good garments (*savarmāmbharabhūṣaṇa*) 8. 4. 49; they were all brought up in noble families (*kule ye ca vivardhitāḥ*) 8. 4. 49. B. Epic events : (1) To encourage Duryodhana, Karna reminded him that kings of the west, along with the rest, were made to pay tributes to him (... *pratīcyodīcyavāsinaḥ | kṛtāḥ karapradāḥ sarve rājānas te narādhipa*) 3. 226. 3; (2) Yudhiṣṭhira asked Saṁjaya to convey to western and other kings who had joined the side of Duryodhana that he wished them well (*prācyodīcyā ... teṣāṁ sarveṣāṁ kuśalam tāta prccheḥ*) 5. 30. 23-24; (3) Duryodhana's army was guarded among others by the kings of the west 5. 158. 19-20; their chariot-fighters mentioned among those who marched towards Kurukṣetra in Duryodhana's second division (*dākṣiṇātyāḥ pratīcyāś ca ... ete mahārathāḥ sarve dvītiye nirayayur bale*) 5. 196. 6, 8; (4) Before the start of the war, Duryodhana instructed Duṣṣāsana that the main concern of westerners and others should be to protect Bhīṣma 6. 16. 17; (5) On the ninth day, Pratīcyas, though they were getting killed by sharp arrows, did not abandon Bhīṣma when he was fighting with Pāṇḍava heroes (*pratīcyodīcyamālavāḥ | ... saṁgrāme nājahur bhīṣman vadhyamānāḥ śitaiḥ śaraiḥ*) 6. 102. 7; (6) On the tenth day, Pratīcyas were among the twelve Janapadas who, though they were pierced by arrows and wounded, did not leave Bhīṣma alone who fought with Arjuna (*dvādaśaite janapadāḥ śarartā vranapīḍitāḥ | saṁgrāme nājahur bhīṣman*

yudhyamānaṁ kirīṣinā ||) 6. 114. 76-77; (7) On the eleventh day, Pratīcyas and others, led by Duryodhana, were behind Karna who marched in front of all archers (*pratīcyodīcyavāsinaḥ | ... tavātmajam puraskṛtya sūtaputrasya pṛsthataḥ || yayau vaikartanaḥ karṇaḥ pramukhe sarvadhanvinām* 7. 6. 6-8; *tāvakānām mukhaṁ karṇaḥ* 7. 6. 21) of the Śakāṭavyūha of the Kauravas 7. 6. 15; (8) On the seventeenth day, Arjuna, while boasting himself before Yudhiṣṭhira said that it was he who had killed Pratīcyas and others 8. 49. 96; (9) mentioned by Saṁjaya among those who were killed in battle by Arjuna in the first seventeen days of war 8. 4. 47; (10) Saṁjaya, while reporting to Dhṛtarāṣṭra, mentioned Pratīcyas among those all of whom were killed (*udīcyā nihataḥ sarve pratīcyāś ca narādhipa*) 9. 1. 27.

Pradara m. (pl.) : Name of a people.

They lived in the region between the mountains Meru and Mandara along the river Śailodā and enjoyed the pleasing shade of the bamboos and reeds; their kings (*nṛpāḥ*) brought Pipīlaka variety of gold, given as boon by ants, in heaps to be measured by *droṇa* as tribute for the Rājasūya; they also brought much other tribute but were stopped at the gate 2. 48. 2-7; (for details and citations see *Ekāśanājyoha*).

Prabhadraka m. (pl.) : Name of a section of Pāñcālas; they figure only in the context of war where they were led generally by Śikhaṇḍin or Dhṛṣṭadyumna.

A. Description : Very quick (in action) (*śighratara*), expert (in fighting) (*viśārada*), whose strength was like that of a