

Sūkas—a deva gaṇa.

Vā. 10. 21.

Sūkara—a hell, intended for the five heinous offences.

Br. IV. 2. 146, 154.

Śūdras (I)—the members of the fourth Varna;¹ their duty was service;² not fit for the study of the Vedas;³ invited for the Rājasūya of Yudhiṣṭira;⁴ kings of Kali age, especially after Puramjaya;⁵ receive gifts, become ascetics and expound dharma from high places in Kali;⁶ duty was dharma paricāra yajña; take to Brāhmaṇa dharma in Kali yuga; not fit for panktibhojanam. For the sake of 1,000 Śūdras, one Brāhmaṇa may be killed; creation of: Prṣadhra born a Śūdra by cow-slaughter;⁷ meditate on Devi's 108 names; perform śrāddha with no mantras;⁸ observe a month's pollution for father's death; Yayāti's benevolence to; Śūdra kings rooted out by Kalki;⁹ may observe Rohiṇicandra śayanam and Angāraka vratam.¹⁰

¹ Bhā. I. 13. 15; II. 1. 37; 7. 38 and 46; VII. 11. 24. ² Ib. VIII. 5. 41; XI. 17. 19. ³ Ib. X. 24. 20; 38. 4. ⁴ Ib. X. 74. 11. ⁵ Ib. XI. 4. 22; 5. 4; 12. 4; 27. 4; XII. 1. 8 and 38; 2. 35. ⁶ Ib. XII. 3. 38. ⁷ Br. II. 29. 55; 31. 394 and 367; III. 10. 96; 11. 87; 15. 44; 68. 67; IV. 6. 43. ⁸ M. 4. 28; 12. 25; 13. 63; 17. 64, 70-71. ⁹ Ib. 18. 3; 34. 5; 47. 250. 50. 75; 144. 39-54. ¹⁰ Ib. 57. 6; 72. 20-1; 114. 12; 217. 2.

Śūdras (II)—created out of the feet of the Lord; Gāndharvam sthānam;² duties of;³ as kings from the time of Mahāpadma;⁴ take to asceticism and become followers of heretical sects; no regard for age, learning and family;⁵ fortunate, because they do not have to undergo the ordeals of performing rituals and ceremonials incumbent on the twice born castes; not fettered by restrictions of any sort.⁶

¹ Vi. I. 6. 6. ² Ib. I. 6. 35. ³ Ib. III. 8. 33-4. ⁴ Ib. IV. 24. 21 and 68. ⁵ Vā. 58. 40-41; Vi. VI. 1. 37. ⁶ Ib. VI. 2. 23. 4.

Śūdras (III)—a tribe.

M. 114. 40.