

*Lokapālās*—eight in number, each with a city of his own situated in the eight cardinal points, surrounding the outskirts of Brahmā's city;<sup>1</sup> stand in the midst of Lokāloka, on the four sides of Meru in their respective towns: East-India in Vasvaukasāra: South-Yama in Samyamana: West-Varuna in Sukha and North-Candra in Vibhāvāri. These are stationed round the Mānasa lake for the protection of Dharma and progress of the world;<sup>2</sup> an *amśa* of the Supreme Lord;<sup>3</sup> served Tāraka as servants; beaten by Tāraka;<sup>4</sup> served in the battle of Tripura;<sup>5</sup> requested Soma to restore Tārā back to Brhaspati;<sup>6</sup> oblations to, in rituals of digging tanks and planting gardens;<sup>7</sup> invoked in making the 16 gifts;<sup>8</sup> function until the Pralaya.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bhā. V. 16. 29. <sup>2</sup> Br. II. 21. 28-34, 156; III. 3. 102; M. 124. 94; Vā. 50. 86, 91; 111. 25. <sup>3</sup> M. 52. 21. <sup>4</sup> Ib. 148. 27; 153. 183. <sup>5</sup> Ib. 24. 5; 138. 1. <sup>6</sup> Ib. 23. 35. <sup>7</sup> Ib. 58. 33; 59. 10. <sup>8</sup> Ib. 274. 41f; 285. 9; 291. 3. <sup>9</sup> Vā. 50. 155 and 205.

*Lokapālatvam*—the lordship of a quarter of the world; Yama became a Lokapāla by pleasing Śiva.

M. 11. 20.

*Lokapitāmaha* (I)—a hymn to Vāmana.

M. 245. 66, 67-80.

*Lokapitāmaha* (II)—is Brahmā.

Vā. 25. 84.

*Lokaprakālana*—a son of Dhruva.

Vā. 66. 21.

*Lokamātas*—the mother goddesses being the 14 daughters of Dakṣa, married to Kaśyapa.

Br. III. 3. 55-6; 7. 469.