

On an appeal from Mother-Earth that she had to bear a heavy burden of the Asuras, Brahmā went with Śiva to the shore of the milk ocean and eulogised Hari by Puruṣasūkta; they were told of the incarnation of Kṛṣṇa at Vasudeva's residence; encouraged Devakī on the eve of Kṛṣṇa's birth; came to see Hari at Brṇḍāvan; was staggered at the potency of his *māyā* and praised the Lord.²⁸

Suggested to Raivata that Balarāma was a suitable husband for Revatī and asked him to give his daughter in marriage to him;²⁹ attended the sacrifices of Varuṇa and Yudhiṣṭhira.³⁰ Went with all the Devas to Dvārakā first to remind Kṛṣṇa to go back to his eternal abode; addressed the Lord on the purpose and fulfilment of the *avatār*.³¹

Wondered at Mārkaṇḍeya's *vrata*,³² heard the *Bhāgavata Purāṇa* from Hari.³³ narrated to Nārada the legend of the creation of the universe;³⁴ allusion to his fear of Rudra,³⁵ worshipped by Vāli with fire rite.

¹ Bhā. I. 3. 2; III. 8. 13-16; IX. 1. 8-10; XI. 4. 5; XII. 5. 1; M. 1. 14; 2. 36; 3. 1, 37, 40. ² Bhā. I. 18. 14. III. 8. 22-32; 9. 1-24, 29-44; 10. 3-6, 8, 13-26; 12. 37-56. ³ M. 171. 8-14, 17, 21; 183. 84. ⁴ Bhā. III. 12. 23. ⁵ Ib. IV. 21. 29; 29. 42. ⁶ Ib. VI. 3. 20. ⁷ Ib. IV. 8. 20. ⁸ M. 22. 4; 184. 28. ⁹ Bhā. V. 16. 28. ¹⁰ Ib. X. 88. 12. ¹¹ Ib. XII. 4. 2-5; Vi. I. 3. 15-24; IV. 1. 5; VI. 3. 11-12. ¹² Bhā. XI. 14. 3-4; VI. III. 4. 12. ¹³ Bhā. IX. 1. 8-10; 14. 2-3, 8, 12 [1] and 13. XII. 8. 12; M. 23. 10, 44-6. ¹⁴ M. 201. 17; 225. 12; 249. 13, 58. ¹⁵ Bhā. IV. 3. 2. ¹⁶ Ib. IV. 6. 2. ¹⁷ Ib. XI. 13. 16-41. ¹⁸ M. 178. 56, 64, 79. ¹⁹ Bhā. VIII. 5. 18-50; 6. 1-15. ²⁰ Ib. X. 87. 9. ²¹ Ib. X. 89. 3-4. ²² Ib. VII. 3. 14-38; 4. 2-3; 8. 40; 10. 26-29, 33; M. 161. 17. ²³ Ib. 161. 18-23. ²⁴ Bhā. VII. 10. 62, 70. ²⁵ M. 133. 52. ²⁶ Bhā. VIII. 21. 1, 3 and 5; 22. 21-3; 23. 24, 26-7. ²⁷ Ib. X. 1. 17-35; 2. 25-42; 13. 40-64; 14. 1-40. ²⁸ Ib. IX. 3. 33-4; X. 52. 15 [3-11]. ²⁹ Ib. X. 74. 13. ³⁰ Ib. XI. 6. 1, 21-27; 7. 1-2. ³¹ Ib. XII. 8. 12. ³² Ib. XII. 13. 10 and 19. ³³ Ib. II. 5. 9 to the end. ³⁴ Ib. I. 7. 18. ³⁵ Br. III. 7. 270; 24. 4.

Brahmā (II)—a division of the night.

Vā. 66. 44.

Brahmā (III)—son of Brahmadana.

Vā. 69. 132.