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length. Later it is reckoned at four Krośas, or about nine miles.⁴

4 Sometimes calculated at 8 krosas, or 18 miles. The estimate of 2½ miles is also found.

Yodha in the Rigveda means 'fighter,' 'warrior,' 'soldier.'

1 i, 143, 5; iii. 39, 4; vi. 25, 5; x. 78, 3.

Yoşan. Yoşana, Yoşa, Yoşit, all denote 'young woman,' maiden,' as an object of affection, and as meet for wedlock.' So these terms are often opposed in the Brahmanas to Vṛṣan, 'male,' in the general sense of 'female,' but they also occur in the sense of 'wife,' or 'daughter,' or merely 'girl.' See Strī.

1 Yoşan, Rv. iv. 5, 5; Yoşanā, iii. 52, 3; 56, 5; 62, 8; vii. 95, 3, etc.; Yoşā, i. 48, 5; 92, 11; iii. 33, 10; 38, 8, etc.; Av. xii. 3, 29; xiv. 1, 56, etc.; Yoşit, Rv. ix. 28, 4; Av. vi. 101, 1, etc. Cf. Delbrück, Die indogermanischen Verwandtschaftsnamen. 418.

- ² Śatapatha Brāhmaņa, i. 2, 5, 15 (yoṣā), and often in the Brāhmaṇas.
 - 3 Av. xii. 3, 29 (305ā).
- 4 So yosā in Rv. i. 117, 20. Cf. Zimmer, Altindisches Leben, 310.
- 5 Satapatha Brahmana, i. S, 1, 7.

Yaugam-dhari, 'descendant of Yugamdhara,' is the name of a king of the Sālvas in the Mantrapātha (ii. 11, 12).

Yauvana, 'youth,' is found in the Atharvaveda (xviii. 4, 50), where it is opposed to 'old age.'

B.

Raksitr, 'protector,' 'guardian,' occurs in the Rigveda¹ and later,² usually in a metaphorical sense.

¹ i. 89, 1...5; ii. 39, 6; guardian of 2 Av. iii. 27, 1; xii. 3, 55; xix. 15, 3; Soma, vi. 7, 7; of the dogs of Yama, Satapatha Brāhmana, xiii. 4, 2, 5, etc. x. 14, 11, etc.

Raghat occurs once in the plural in the Atharvaveda, where the Paippalada recension reads vaghatah. Roth² once con-

1. viii 7, 24.

3 St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v., 1a.