

3. Parvata is mentioned several times in the Aitareya Brāhmaṇa¹ along with Nārada. The Anukramaṇī (Index) attributes to him the authorship of several hymns of the Rigveda.²

¹ vii. 13, 34; viii. 21; Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, xv. 17, 4.

² viii. 12; ix. 104; 105.

Parvan denotes the knots of the reed or the joints of a plant,¹ and more generally a part or limb of the body.² It also designates a period of time, probably with reference to the breaks in the month at new and full moon.³ In one passage⁴ Geldner⁵ thinks the word indicates a song section of the Sāmaveda.

¹ Av. xii. 3, 31; Taittirīya Saṃhitā, i. 1, 2, 1; Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa, vi. 3, 1, 31, and cf. Rv. x. 68, 9.

² Rv. i. 61, 12; iv. 19, 9; viii. 48, 5; x. 89, 8; Av. i. 11, 1; 12, 2; ii. 9, 1; vi. 14, 1; xi. 8, 12; xii. 5, 71; Aitareya Brāhmaṇa, iii. 31; Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa, i. 6, 3, 35 *et seq.*; iii. 4, 4, 2; vi. 1, 2, 31; x. 4, 5, 2, etc.

³ Rv. i. 94, 4; Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, xiii. 43; Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa, i. 6, 3, 35; vi. 2, 2, 34, etc. Cf. Māsa. In the Sūtras the days of the four-monthly festivals (*cāturmāsya*) are so called:

Kātyāyana Śrauta Sūtra, v. 2, 13; xxii. 7, 1. 16, 17; xxiv. 4, 30; Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, xiv. 5, 6; 10, 4, 18; Āśvalāyana Śrauta Sūtra, ix. 2, 3; and more often the periods of the change of moon: Kātyāyana Śrauta Sūtra, xxiv. 6, 4, 25, 30; Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, iii. 2, 1; 3, 1; Lātyāyana Śrauta Sūtra, viii. 8, 46, etc.

⁴ vii. 103, 5.

⁵ *Rgveda, Glossar*, 107.

Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 364, who quotes Tacitus, *Germania*, 11.

Parśāna, 'hollow,' is mentioned several times in the Rigveda (vii. 104, 5; viii. 7, 34; 45, 41).

1. Parśu denotes 'rib' in the Atharvaveda¹ and later.² Cf. Śārīra.

¹ ix. 7, 6; x. 9, 20; xi. 3, 12.

² Taittirīya Saṃhitā, vii. 5, 25, 1; Kāṭhaka Saṃhitā, xxxi. 1; Śatapatha

Brāhmaṇa, viii. 6, 2, 10; x. 6, 4, 1; xii. 3, 1, 6; Śaṅkṣā Brāhmaṇa, i. 3, etc.

2. Parśu seems in some passages¹ to denote a 'sickle,' being apparently a variant of Paraśu.

¹ Av. xii. 3, 31 (Kauśika Sūtra, i. 24, 25; viii. 11; lxi. 38, 39); perhaps vii. 28, 1 = Taittirīya Saṃhitā, iii. 2, 4, 1. See Whitney, Translation of

the Atharvaveda, 407, 408; Bṛhad-āraṇyaka Upaniṣad, vi. 4, 26 (where *parśu* is metrically needed), etc. Cf. Böhtlingk, Dictionary, s.v.