NO. 31: SITABHINJI TEMPERA PAINTING INSCRIPTION OF DIŚĀBHAÑJA

Provenance : Sitabhinji, Keonjhar district, Orissa.

References : T.N. Ramachandran, JAHRS, Vol. XIX (1948-49), pp. 191 ff. and plate; D.C. Sircar, EI, Vol. XXXV (1963-64), pp. 47-49 and plate.

Language : Sanskrit.

Eastern variety of the north Indian alphabet of about the seventh century A.D.

TEXT<1>

(1) mā(ma)hārājaśrīdiśābhañja<2>

<1. From the photograph in EI, Vol. XXXV (1963-64), p. 47.>

<2. The king may have been connected with the Nāga family. He may possibly have been a descendant of the Nāga king Śatrubhañja (No. 30), who ruled the Keonjhar region during about the first part of the sixth century A.D. See Introduction, Section IV, in this volume.>