

*Madhyamalokapāla*, epithet of kings; cf. *Lokapāla*.

*madhyastha* (EI 8, 25; SII 2; ASLV; SITI), a neutral person, generally the village headman; a mediator or arbitrator; secretary of the village assembly (SII 13).

*madya-pāna* (SII 3), intoxicating drinks.

*madya-vahanaka* (IE 8-8), a carrier of wine.

*Maga* (EI 9; BL), the same as *Sākadvīpiya*; a community of Brāhmaṇas; name of the members of the Persian priestly community (Magi) settled in India and absorbed in the Brāhmaṇa class.

*māgāṇi* (ASLV), an administrative unit.

*māgāṇi-sthāna* (EI 13), epithet of a locality.

*Mahā* (PJS), abbreviation of *Mahājana* (especially in medieval Jain inscriptions).

Cf. *Mahā-Mūla* (i.e. the elder Mūla) distinguished from *Kṣudra-Mūla* (i.e. the younger Mūla); also *Mahā-Dharmagiri* and *Kṣudra-Dharmagiri*, etc.

*Mahābalādihikarāṇika* (IE 8-3), superintendent of the office of the *Mahābalādihikṛta*.

*Mahābalādihikṛta* (HD), 'the great commander'; designation of a military officer who was, in one case, originally a *Mantrin* (IE 8-3); see *Balādihikṛta* and *Mahābalādihyakṣa*.

*Mahābalādihyakṣa* (CII 3), military title. See *Balādihyakṣa* and *Mahābalādihikṛta*.

*Mahābalakoṣṭhika* (IE 8-3), treasurer of the military department. Cf. *raṇabhāṇḍāgār-ādihikarāṇa* (Raychaudhuri, *PHAI*, 1950, p. 563).

*mahābhāṇḍāgāra* (EI 12), treasury; cf. *bhāṇḍāgāra*.

*Mahābhāṇḍāgārika* (IE 8-2; HD) treasurer; one of the designations often included in the *pañca-mahāśabda* as indicated by the *Rājatarāṅgiṇi*. Cf. *Ep. Ind.*, Vol. II, p. 39; *Rājatarāṅgiṇi*, IV. 142. Cf. *Bhāṇḍāgārika*.

(CII 4), explained as 'the Chancellor of the Exchequer'.

*Mahābhāṇḍāgārin* (IE 8-3), Kannaḍa *Hiriyabhaṇḍāgārin*; sometimes also called *Mahāpradhāna*, *Sarvādihikārin*, etc., additionally.

*Mahābhārata-vṛtti* (SITI), land endowed to persons for expounding the *Mahābhārata*.

*Mahābhogapati* (EI 26), official designation; probably, the superintendent of rent-free holdings; cf. *Mahābhogika*, *Bhogapati*.

*Mahābhogika* (EI 26; HD), a big *Jāgirdār*; cf. *Ep. Ind.*,