

who is the lord of 40 *yojanas* of land and a lakh of villages; but, in inscriptions, generally, the governor of a district or province; title of a feudatory ruler or governor (see *Bomb. Gaz.*, Vol. XXI, p. 354); see *Maṇḍaleśvara* essentially meaning 'the ruler of a *maṇḍala* or district'; also called *Mahāmaṇḍalika*, etc., cf. *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvar-ādhipati*. The status of a *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvara* seems to have been superior to that of a *Maṇḍaleśvara*, while *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvarādhipati* apparently enjoyed a still higher rank.

*Mahāmaṇḍaleśvar-ādhipati* (IE 8-2; EI 23), title of a feudatory higher in rank than a *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvara* (cf. *Mahā-sāmantādhipati*); a feudatory who had some subordinate chiefs under him; cf. *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvara*, *Maṇḍaleśvara*.

*Mahāmaṇḍalika* (IE 8-3), feudatory title; see *Mahāmaṇḍalika*.

*Mahāmaṇḍalika* (HD), same as *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvara*. Cf. *Ind. Ant.*, Vol. IX, p. 35. See *Mahāmaṇḍalika*, *Mahāmaṇḍaleśvar-ādhipati*, *Māṇḍalika* etc.

*mahāmaṇḍapa* (SITI), a large pillared hall next to the *ardha-maṇḍapa* in a temple; also called *mukha-maṇḍapa*.

*Mahāmantrin* (EI 12, 30; CII 4; IA 19; BL; HD), 'the chief minister or counsellor'. See *Mantrin*. Cf. *Ep. Ind.*, Vol. II, p. 309.

*Mahāmanuṣya* (IE 8-3), probably, a landlord; mentioned in the list of a king's subordinates. cf. *Mahājana*.

*Mahāmātra* (IE 8-3), cf. Prakrit *Mahāmāta* (EI 3); a high executive officer employed in various capacities; cf. *Nagara-vyavahārika-mahāmātra*, *Stryadhyaḥṣa-mahāmātra*, *Dharma-mahāmātra*, etc.; adopted in Greek as *Mamātrai*. See CII, Vol. I, p. 92, etc.; *Arthaśāstra*, I. 12, V. 1; etc.; *Kāmasūtra*, V. 5. 17. 33 and 35. The word *Mahāmātra* in Manu, IX. 259, is explained by Medhātithi as 'the *Mantrin*, *Purohita* and others' and by Kullūka as meaning 'the professional tamers of elephants'. (SITI) explained as 'a senior minister.' See *Mātra* in a similar sense.

Cf. *Antaḥpura-mahāmātra* in the Masulipatnam plates of Amma II (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXIV, p. 276).

(EI 28; CII 4), 'an elephant-driver'.

*Mahāmātra-gaṇa* (CII 4), corporation of elephant-drivers.

*Mahāmātra-nagaravyavahārika* (CII 1), an executive officer who is the judge or administrator of a city.