śulka (IE 8-5; EI 12, 23, 25, 30; CII 4; CITD), tolls; customs duties; octroi duties; taxes particularly levied at ferries and passes and on roads, etc.; cf. kridara-śulka (EI 5), name of a tax; also śungam, śunkam (SITI), customs, tolls.

(HRS), tax, probably identical with bali according to early authorities; ferry dues, tolls and transit duties according to the Smṛtis and lexicons; according to the Arthaśāstra, (1) duties levied upon articles imported into a city, (2) port-dues, (3) duty upon the sale of liquors, (4) customs collected by the ferrymen and boundary-officers, (5) duty upon mining products, (6) duty upon imported salt, and (7) duty upon animals intended for slaughter; according to Sukra, tolls and duties upon building-sites, etc. The Amarakoṣa explains śulka as ghaṭṭ-ādi-deya and Kṣīrasvāmin enumerates the dues as ferry duties, tolls paid at military stations or police outposts and transit duties paid by merchants.

sulk-ādhikāra, cf. sunk-ādhikāra (EI 5), 'office for the collection of tolls [of the Banavāsi District]'. Same as Śulk-ā-dhyakṣa.

Śulkagrāha (HD), an official who collected tolls or customs duties. See Śukra, II. 128.

śulka-maṇḍapikā (EI 3, 9), customs house. See śulka-śālā. (CII 4), explained by some as 'a market-pavilion'.

(Ind. Ant., Vol. XI, p. 329 and note 31), translated as 'the rent office'.

śulka-śālā, cf. śunga-śālai (SITI), place where tolls are collected; a customs house. See śulka-maṇḍapikā.

śulk-ātiyātrika (IE 8-8; EI 30), boundary-crossing fee; exit tax; cf. atiyātrika.

Sumantra (HD), king's counsellor on matters relating to income and expenditure. See Hist. Dharm., Vol. III, p. 114, note 150.

sūnā (HRS), royal dues collected by the superintendent of the slaughter-house, as suggested by the Arthaśāstra.

sundaka (IA 19), meaning doubtful; probably, a bundle. sunka (EI 12), a corrupt form of śulka often found in South Indian inscriptions.

Sunkapannāyadadhişṭhāyaka (IE 8-3), Kannaḍa-Sanskrit; superintendent of the income from tolls. See Sunka-vergadě.

Sunka-věrgadě (EI 19), Kannada; official designation; Sanskrit Šulk-ādhyakşa. See Sunkapannāyadadhişthāyaka.