

*vrata* (CITD), religious vow; a self-imposed task; a religious act of devotion or austerity; vowed observance; a vow in general. There are many *vratas* mentioned in the different *Purāṇas*. But new *vratas* crop up in different parts of the country.

(EI 4), five in number.

*vrihi-kara*, cf. Tamil *arisi-kkāṇam* (SITI), a levy for husking paddy into rice.

*vṛddha* (LP), participle of *vṛdh*, 'to cut'.

Cf. *Vṛddha-Gaṇeśa* (IA 19), 'the senior Gaṇeśa'.

*Vṛddha-dhānuṣka* (IE 8-3), senior archer; the chief archer.

*Vṛddharāja* (EI 3; LL), 'prosperous king'; title of a pious king.

*vṛddhi* (EI 28), a super tax or the interest on arrears of taxes; also interest.

*vṛddhi-kukkuṭa* (CII 1), Prakrit *vadhi-kukkuṭa*; a cock that has been caponed; also Sanskritised as *vadhi-kukkuṭa*.

*vṛṣatāpa-śāsana* (EI 13), same as *tāmra-śāsana*.

*vṛṣa-vimśopaka* (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XV, p. 39), name of a coin (probably bearing the figure of a bull); cf. *vimśopaka*.

*vṛtti* (SITI), means; livelihood, occupation; grant of land for one's livelihood.

(SII 3), land granted for service.

(EI 17, 31; CITD), share; share in a village granted to a Brāhmaṇa as a free gift.

*Vuḍhā-leṅkā* (EI 28), Oḍiyā; official designation; cf. *Leṅkā*.

*vulāpikā* (LP), tax for the maintenance of the camp-followers; cf. Gujarātī *vaḷāmaṇ vulāviyā*; also *volāpika*, *vulāviyā* (q.v.).

*vulāvī* (LP), same as *volāpana*; a tax.

*Vulāviyā* (LP), a camp-follower; cf. Gujarātī *Vuḷāviyā*. See *vulāpikā* and *Volāpika*.

*vumvaka* (EI 14), name of a measure.

Cf. 'rūpakas to be levied on each *vumvaka* of the distillers' (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XIV, p. 309).

*Vya* (PJS), abbreviation of *Vyavahārin*, especially in medieval Jain inscriptions.

*Vyā* (PJS), abbreviation of *Vyāpārin* (merchant) or *Vyāsa* (exponent or reciter of epic and Puranic texts) especially in medieval Jain inscriptions. Cf. *vyā-bhū*.

*vyā-bhū* (IE 8-1), abbreviation of *vyāmiśra-bhūmi*; 'mixed