

is a survival of Kusulaka, the surname of the Kṣaharāta chiefs Liaka Kusulaka and his son Patika Kusuluka. Analogous to this word is the name of Kuzula Kadphises the first Kuṣāṇa emperor to advance towards the Punjab. Hultsch has equated this word with Turki *güjlü* meaning 'strong', and Sten Konow has compared it with Turki *guzel*, meaning 'beautiful', but Lüders has shown that it is the name of a family or clan of the Śakas.<sup>514</sup> So the name of Khosla is a remnant of this tribe.<sup>515</sup> Besides the Thakuras and Tokhis of the Punjab, there are caste-groups of *Soi* and *Sikka*, which are reminiscent of the Śakas.

21. *Sanakānīka* (No. 1, L.22; No.3, L.2) :

In Inscription No.3 it occurs with the short 'i' in the fourth syllable, i.e. as 'Sanakānīka'.<sup>516</sup>

The Sanakānīkas were also subjugated by Samudragupta along with other tribes who payed him all kinds of taxes, obeyed his orders and were coming to perform obeisance.<sup>517</sup> In the Udayagiri Cave Inscription of Candragupta II, of the Year 82 (A.D. 401) (No. 3), we know of a Mahārāja of the 'Sanakānīka' tribe or family, who was a feudatory of Candragupta II and who is stated to have recorded his gift on a Vaiṣṇava Cave temple at Udayagiri.<sup>518</sup> Udayagiri is a well-known hill about two miles to the north-west of Bhilsa, ancient Vidiśā.<sup>519</sup> Thus we can say that the Sanakānīkas lived in the neighbourhood of Bhilsa.<sup>520</sup> D.R. Bhandarkar mentions them to have held the province of Vidiśā but he also locates Gaṇapatināga's kingdom (one of the kings subjugated by Samudragupta) in Vidiśā.<sup>521</sup> So his view seems to be inconsistent.

It may be noted that the Sanakānīka feudatory chief of Candragupta II, as well as his father and grandfather, bore the title Mahārāja. This may suggest that the Sanakānīkas, and probably other tribes mentioned along with them in the Allahabad Pillar Inscription were not tribal republics, as is generally supposed, but were ruled by hereditary chiefs.<sup>522</sup>

The name of the grandfather of this Sanakānīka feudatory chief of Candragupta II, is given as Chagalaga 'which looks like a foreign name',<sup>523</sup> but his father bears a purely Hindu name : 'Viṣṇudāsa'. Of course the present chief's name is illegible in the inscription (No. 3).<sup>524</sup> But considering the trend