

Kuṇḍa-pāyya ('descendant of Kuṇḍapāyin') is a patronymic connected with a man named **Śrīṅgavṛṣ** in one passage of the Rigveda.¹

¹ viii: 17, 13. Cf. Ludwig, Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 161; Hopkins, *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 17, 90.

Kuṇḍrñācī is the name of an animal of unknown character occurring in the lists of victims at the horse sacrifice (Aśva-medha) in the Yajurveda Saṃhitā.¹ The word also occurs in one passage of the Rigveda,² in which a bird would seem to be intended, though Sāyaṇa interprets it as meaning 'with crooked flight' (*kuṭīla-gatyā*). In his commentary on the Taittiriya Saṃhitā³ he takes the word to denote the house-lizard (*grha-godhikā*).

¹ Taittiriya Saṃhitā, v. 5, 16, 1; Maitrāyaṇi Saṃhitā, iii. 14, 18; Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, xxiv. 37.

² i. 29, 6.

³ v. 5, 16, 1.

Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 89.

Kutsa is the name of a hero frequently mentioned in the Rigveda, which, however, gives practically no information about him, for he was no doubt already a figure of the mythic past. He is several times¹ called **Ārjuneya**, 'descendant of Arjuna,' and is usually² associated with Indra in the exploit of defeating the demon **Suṣṇa** and winning the sun. He is said³ to have defeated **Smadibha**, **Tugra**, and the **Vetasus**, but, on the other hand, he is several times⁴ mentioned with **Atithigva** and **Āyu** as being vanquished by Indra, his defeat in one passage⁵ being attributed to **Tūrvayāna**. Elsewhere⁶ he appears with **Atithigva** as a friend of Indra's. In the later literature he is seldom⁷ mentioned except in connexion with the myth of his binding Indra, which is found in the **Brāhmaṇas**,⁸ and which is based on an obscure verse in the Rigveda.⁹

¹ Rv. iv. 26, 1; vii. 19, 2; viii. 1, 11.

² Rv. i. 63, 3; 121, 19; 174, 5; 175, 4; iv. 30, 4; v. 29, 4; vi. 20, 5; vii. 19, 2; x. 99, 9.

³ Rv. x. 49, 4.

⁴ Rv. i. 53, 10; ii. 14, 7; viii. 53, 2. Cf. iv. 26, 1.

⁵ Rv. i. 53, 10.

⁶ Rv. i. 51, 6; vi. 26, 3.

⁷ E.g., Av. iv. 29, 5; **Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa**, xiv. 11, 26.

⁸ **Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa**, ix. 2, 22; **Śātyāyanaka** in Sāyaṇa on Rv. x. 38, 5; **Jaiminiya Brāhmaṇa**, i. 228; Oertel, *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 18, 31.

⁹ x. 38, 5.