

Bṛhatkālottara introduction

Manuscripts:

A NAK 1.273. NGMPP reel number B24/57. Palm leaf, 32 x 5.5cm. 195 folios. Judging by the script, which is Pāla, Sanderson assigns the manuscript tentatively to the 12th century (email October 2009).

K NAK 1.89. NGMPP reel number B24/59. Palm leaf, 34x5cm. 251 folios. Newari ("Kuṭiḷa") script.

J NAK 5.778vi. NGMPP reel number A42/8. Palm leaf, 31.5x5cm. 333 folios. Newari. Dated samvat 738 (1618/19C.E.), rule of Jyotirmalla.

D NAK 5.4632. NGMPP reel number B118/7. Paper, 31.5x12.5cm. 308 folios. Devanāgarī.

H NAK 4.131. NGMPP reel number A43/1. Palm leaf, 29.5x5.5cm. 324 folios. Pāla script. Dated 1169 CE.

Stemma: $\Omega = AHKJ(\rightarrow D)$, $\alpha = KJ(\rightarrow D)$, $\beta = AH$. (D not included in critical apparatus)

Evidence for stemma:

Errors shared by KJD against AH and by AH against KJD demonstrate the existence of hyperarchetypes α and β . An example of an error in AH that is not in KJD: pl 177ab missing in AH, not missing in KJD. An example of error in KJD that is not in AH: pl 10 omitted in KJD, not omitted in AH.

Errors in D that can be seen to stem from difficulty in copying from J suggest that D is an apograph of J and is thus not necessary to the critical apparatus. For example: the portion of pl 95c - 96b that is indecipherable in J is marked as a lacuna in D.

Contents of the chapter on vāstuyāga (the ritual for the site) (BK vy):

- 1-7 the choice and purification of the site
- 8-18 locating and extracting extraneous materials (śalya)
- 19-100b the 8 by 8 site (vāstu) for a temple
- 100c-105b which sites (vāstu) are for which purposes
- 105c-108b installation of the Brahmaśilā
- 108c-111 vaṃśas and rajjus in the site
- 112 the 9 by 9 site (vāstu) for a house, palace
- 113-114b the 10 by 10 site (vāstu) for a variety of purposes

114c-120b	the 33 by 33 site (vāstu) for a district (deśa)
120c-121	the 100 by 100 site (vāstu) for a kingdom (maṇḍala)
122-124b	sites (vāstu) for 6-cornered, 3-cornered, round, lotus (abja), 8-cornered and half-moon figures
124c-126	3-cornered site (vāstu)
127-129	half moon (ardhacandra) site (vāstu)
130-131	8-, 16-, 32-cornered and round sites (vāstu)
133-136	general features of sites (vāstu)
137-141	the 5 by 5 site (vāstu) for a funeral ground (citi) or ancestor grove (pitṛvana)
142-143	vulnerable points (marman)
144	the thickness of the cord (sūtra)
145-154	the correct manner of Siddhānta worship