

ā-ṣāṇmāsika (CII 1), 'less than six months in age'.

Āśāpāla (HD), 'the guardian of the quarters'; a chief ruling over 10,000 villages, according to the *Sukranītisāra*, I. 192.

asātanā (HA), Jain; disrespect or disobedience.

Āsedhabhaṅg-ādhiḥkṛta (IE 8-3; EI 31), a police officer to check people's escape from prison or legal restraint.

aśeṣa-mahāśabda (IE 8-2), same as *pañca-mahāśabda*.

aśeṣa-vidya (SII 1), belonging to all the branches of sacred studies.

asi-daṇḍa-prahāra (LP), war.

asidhārā-vrata (EI 16), name of a vow.

āsīhāra, cf. *udak-āsīhāra-kullaka*; probably, a kind of channel.

āsīna (*JAHRS*, Vol. IX, Part i, p. 31, text line 12), literally 'seated'; downcast, dejected. Cf. *Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXXV, pp. 264-65.

āsnavā (CII 1), sin.

āspḥoṭana (SII 1), a challenge.

āśrama (EI 13) a stage of life; a religious establishment (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXX, p. 67); cf. *Caṇḍik-āśrama-guru* (IA 11), 'the Superior of the hermitage of *Caṇḍikā*'.

(IE 7-1-2), 'four'.

āśraya (IA 20), subdivision of a *viṣaya*.

Cf. *āśiriyam*, *āśiriyā-kkal*, *āśiriyā-pḥramāṇam* (SITI), a document by which a person submits to another's protection.

*Assamese*, same as *Asamīyā*; language and alphabet of Assam, the alphabet being sometimes called Bengali-Assamese.

*aṣṭa*, cf. *aṣṭa-bhoga*, probably 'all kinds of enjoyment' (and not merely 'eight' kinds) ensuring *tejaḥ-svāmya* or ownership endowed with complete authority. Cf. *aṣṭādaśa*, etc.

*āṣṭa-bhāgika* (CII 1), '[a village] paying one-eighth of the produce [instead of the usual rate of one-sixth or so]'.

*aṣṭa-bhoga* (IE 8-5; EI 14, 17), privileges of the donee of a rent-free holding, believed to be grouped into eight classes which are sometimes enumerated as *nidhi*, *nikṣepa*, *jala*, *pāśāṇa*, *akṣīṇin*, *āgāmin*, *siddha* and *sādhyā*. Cf. *aiśvarya-āṣṭaka* and *aṣṭa-bhūti* (EI 33); also *aṣṭabhoga-tejaḥsvāmya*.

(*CITD*), the eight privileges associated with the enjoyment of rent-free land, also enumerated as (1) *nidhi* (a treasure or a hoard, i.e. a natural hoard such as a mine),