

mahāmātykā, 'mother's mother'; used side by side with *āryikā*, 'father's mother' (*Select Inscriptions*, p. 225).

Mahāmātya (IE 8-3; EI 25; CII 4; BL), the chief minister or executive officer; the prime minister or a viceroy (HD); see *Amātya*; sometimes also called a *Mahāpradhāna* additionally. Cf. Vogel, *Ant. Ch. St.*, p. 122; *Ind. Ant.*, Vol. XI, p. 242.

Mahāmātya-vara (EI 30), chief minister; cf. *Amātya* and *Mahāmātya*.

mahāmeru-śrī-kīrtistambha (BL), name of *Mahārāṇā* Kumbhā's tower at Chitor.

Mahāmudr-ādihikṛta (IE 8-3; EI 12, 14, 15; HD), the keeper of the royal seal; officer in charge of the royal seal; cf. *Mahāmudr-āmātya*. See *Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XII, p. 9.

Mahāmudr-āmātya (IA 11), same as *Mahāmudr-ādihikṛta*; cf. *Mudr-ādihikārin*, etc.

mahā-muraja (ASLV), a musical instrument.

Mahāna (Chamba), a writer; possibly from Sanskrit *Mahantaka*.

Mahānāḍ-ṭrabhu (ASLV), the *Paṭṭanasvāmin* (q.v.) of the rural areas.

mahā-nāḍu (SITI), general assembly of the mercantile community of a district.

mahā-nagara (SITI), merchants' guild of a city; cf. *nagara*.

mahaṇaloka, possibly the same as Sanskrit *mahalloka* = *mahājana* (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXXIV, p. 143).

Mahānas-ādhyakṣa (IE 8-3), Kannaḍa *Bhānasa-vērgaḍḍē* (EI 5); superintendent of the royal kitchen; sometimes also called *Mahāsāmantādhipati*, *Mahāpradhāna*, *Accuṇṇāyadadhīṣṭhāyaka*, etc., additionally; cf. *Mahānasika*, *Sūpakārapati*, *Khādyā-(kū*)ṭapākika*, etc.

Mahānasika, 'the kitchen-officer' (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XVIII, p. 156); cf. *Mahanas-ādhyakṣa*.

mahānavamī-amāvāsyā (EI 5; IA 18), Kannaḍa name for the new-moon of Bhādrapada; new-moon preceding the *mahānavamī*.

Mahānāvika (EI 27), the captain of a ship.

Mahānāyaka (EI 4; BL), official designation probably indicating a class of feudatories; a subordinate title.

mahā-ni (IE 8-1), abbreviation of some such expression