

*Mahārāṇaka* (EI 27; CII 4; BL; HD), title of feudatory rulers; see *Rāṇaka*. Cf. *Ind. Ant.*, Vol. XVII, p. 214.

*mahārāsa-karaṇa*, cf. *karaṇa* (LP); the liquor department.

*Mahārāṣṭrin* (IE 8-3; LL), Prakrit *Mahārāṭhi*; 'ruler of a *rāṣṭra* (a district or subdivision or a group of villages)'; see *Rāṣṭrin*.

*Mahārāṣṭriṇī* (LL), cf. Prakrit *Mahārāṭhiṇī* (EI 7), wife of a *Mahārāṣṭrin*.

*Mahāratha* (EI 7), explained as 'a race' (EI 17); official designation; cf. *Mahārathin*.

*Mahārathin* (IE 8-3; EI 7), wrong Sanskritization of Prakrit *Mahārāṭhi* (sometimes read as *Mahārathi*) which really stands for *Mahārāṣṭrin*.

*Mahārāula* (EI 24; BL), same as *Mahārāvala*; derived from *Mahārājakula*; designation of a feudatory; title of nobility.

*Mahārāuta* (BL), designation of a feudatory; from Sanskrit *Mahārājaputra*. See *Rāuta*, *Rāvata*.

*Mahārāva* (BL), designation of a feudatory; from Sanskrit *Mahārāja*,

*Mahārāval*, *Mahārāvala* (BL), same as *Mahārāula*; designation of a feudatory; from Sanskrit *Mahārājakula*.

*Mahārāya* (EI 4, 24; BL), from Sanskrit *Mahārāja*.

*Mahārī*, *Mahāri*, *Māhāri* (EI 33), same as *Mehārī*, a dancing girl or *Devadāsī*.

*Mahāruṇḍā*, a name of the Mother-goddess (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXXIII, p. 36).

*Mahārtha-mahāmahattaka* (CII 4), official designation; see *Mahāmahattaka*. *Mahārtha* may also be a separate official designation or an abbreviation of *Mahārthaśāsanika* (q. v.).

*Mahārthaśāsanika* (EI 8-3; EI 7), probably, an officer in charge of gifts; sometimes mentioned as a *Pātra*. Cf. *Mahārtha-mahāmahattaka*.

*mah-āryaka* (EI 8), probably, the great-grandfather; tentatively explained as 'mother's grandfather' (*Select Inscriptions*, p. 202).

*mahā-śabda* (IE 8-2), cf. *aśeṣa-mahāśabda* (EI 22), same as *pañca-mahāśabda* (q. v.). Cf. *paṭaha-ḍhakkā-mahāśabda* (*Ep. Ind.*, Vol. XXVI, p. 325).

*mahā-sabhā* (SII 1; ASLV; SITI), 'the great assembly';