nava-khanda (IE 8-4), epithet of Bhārata or Bhāratavarṣa; see khanda.

navamikā (EI 9), meaning uncertain.

navānga, cf. Pali navamga (EI 33); cf. navānga-Sāstṛ-śāsana. nava-nidhāna, cf. nava-nidhāna-sahita (IA 11), epithet of gift land; see Ind. Ant., Vol. VI, pp. 180 ff. (Inscriptions Nos. 4-11); explained as 'new taxes imposed for the first time'; probably 'a fresh assessment of tax' (Ep. Ind., Vol. XXXIV, p. 143).

navara, Odiyā; same as Sanskrit nagara; capital city, palace.

nava-ratna (BL), the nine gems at Vikramāditya's court.

navarātra, navarātri (EI 11, 25; CII 4), the festival of Durgā; Āśvina-sudi 1 to 9.

navarātri-amāvāsyā (EI 5), new-moon preceding the navarātri; also called mahālayā.

navatara-bhūmī (LP), land as yet uncultivated.

navīna-pañjikā-karaṇa (LP), probably, 'to have new fences', i.e. 'to have additional land in one's possession.'

naya (EI 3), argumentation.

(Ep. Ind., Vol. XVII, pp. 318 ff, text lines 26-27), a territorial division like a Pargana.

Nāyaka (EI 33; CII 4), a royal officer or ruling chief. Cf. Ep. Ind., Vol. XXVII, p. 142, text line 35.

(HD), explained as 'the head of ten villages.' See Artha- $\dot{sastra}$ , I. 12; Sukra, I. 192.

(EI 32; BL), title of a subordinate ruler.

(ASLV), one who held lands from the Vijayanagara kings on the condition of offering military service (cf. Amara-nāyaka).

(EI 7), a general.

(Ep. Ind., Vol. IX, p. 313), head of a  $n\bar{a}du$  or district. (IE 7-1-2), 'one'.

nāyaka-naraka (CITD), Telugu-Kannaḍa; the principal hell.

Nāyakavādi (SITI), Sanskrit-Tamil; watchmen stationed by the State or landlord to keep watch over the crops before or during harvest time; the *inām* granted to such persons was known as kākku-nāyaka-viļāgam.

nayana (IE 8-1-2), 'two'; cf. netra.

nāyankara, nāyankāra (EI 16; ASLV), the feudal system prevalent in the Vijayanagara kingdom, in which the Nāyakas