

Brāhma, Aindra and Nārāyaṇa astra; Droṇa reputed to have the knowledge of both these kinds of missiles 7. 166. 2.

Mānuṣa² adj. : of *vyūhas* (arrangements of the army) known to men.

Bhīṣma knew different kinds of *vyūhas*, some of them known as Mānuṣa *vyūhas* 5. 162. 8, 10; 6. 19. 2; he arranged the Kaurava army everyday in a different way, one of the ways being Mānuṣa (*vyūha*) 6. 20. 18; Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna, who led the Pāṇḍava army, also knew these different *vyūhas* 5. 56. 11.

Māhendra¹ adj. : of a missile belonging to Mahendra (Indra), (different from Aindra ?).

Yudhiṣṭhira employed this missile to defeat the Aindra and the Prājāpatya missiles used simultaneously against him by Droṇa (*prādutcakārāstram ahīnatejā māhendram anyat sa jaghāna te 'stre*) 7. 132. 32. [See Aindrāstra]

Māhendra² adj. : of the bow Vijaya which belonged to Indra; used in the epic war by Karṇa.

It is one of the only three divine bows (the other two being Gāṇḍīva of Varuṇa and Śārṅga of Viṣṇu) 5. 155. 5-6. [See Vijaya]

Musala m., nt. : A weapon specially mentioned in relation to Jaya.

Jaya held it when he came to the aid of Indra in his fight with Kṛṣṇa and Arjuna at the Khāṇḍava forest (*jaḡrhe ... musalaṃ ca jayas tathā*) 1. 218. 32; (also Balarāma is called *musalāyudha* 9. 35. 2; 9. 48. 6).

Mṛtyudaṇḍa m. : Missile of the god of Death. [See Daṇḍa]

Mohanāstra nt. : Name of a missile. [See Pramohanāstra]

Yamadaṇḍa m. : Name of the missile specially related to Yama. [See Daṇḍa, Yāmya astra]

Yāmya astra nt. : A missile special to Yama.

Described as heavenly (*divya*) 12. 5. 14, and fierce (*ghora*) 7. 53. 43; Arjuna had received it from Yama 7. 53. 43; 12. 5. 13-14; Arjuna's collection of missiles (*astragrāma*) included among other missiles, Yāmya astra 5. 166. 32-33; (Bhīṣma, Droṇa and Yudhiṣṭhira also knew it); Droṇa used it against Yudhiṣṭhira in order to kill him (*jighāṃsuḥ*) but Yudhiṣṭhira repelled it apparently by using the same missile 7. 132. 29-30; Bhīṣma and Arjuna used it against each other at the time of the cattle-raid 4. 59. 21. [See Yamadaṇḍa]

Rakṣasām astrāṇi nt. pl. : Missiles special to Rakṣases.

Arjuna was to learn these after reaching the residence of Indra 3. 164. 29-30.

Rākṣasa adj. : of the *vyūha* (arrangement of the army) known to the Rakṣases.

Bhīṣma knew these and is said to have used them on different days along with those known to the Asuras and the Piśācas 6. 104. 16.

Rudrāṇām astrāṇi nt. pl. : Missiles special to the Rudras.

When Arjuna reached Indra's residence, the Rudras, along with the other group-gods, agreed to give their missiles to him 3. 164. 49-50; they figure in a bad omen : when Garuḍa flew up from a mountain top to