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Takṣa (I)—a son of Bharata, founded Takṣaśīla in Gāndhāra.

Bhā. IX. 11. 12; Br. III. 63. 190; Vā. 88. 189; Vi. IV. 4. 104.

Takṣa (II)—a son of Vṛka and Durvārksī.

Bhā. IX. 24. 43.

Takṣaka (I)—a serpent chief; (nāga) of Sutalam and of the Krodhavaśa group.¹ Caused the death of Parīkṣit in consequence of the curse of the Brahmaṇa's son. Parīkṣit was informed beforehand by Śuka and was not afraid.² Met the sage Kaśyapa on his way to Parīkṣit's place.³ When Janamejaya began his *sarpa satra* (yāga), Takṣaka sought shelter of Indra, and this resulted in Indra's fall;⁴ served as calf for Nāgas to derive poison from the earth.⁵ The Nāga presiding over the month of Śukra,⁶ on the neck of Śiva; an ear ornament of Śiva.⁷ Shaken by Hiranyakaśipu,⁸ lived in the Niṣadha hill;⁹ sent along with others to fight Prahlāda;¹⁰ a Kādraveya,¹¹ in the sun's chariot in the month of Suci.¹²

¹ Bhā. V. 24. 29; Br. II. 17. 34; 20. 24; III. 7. 32; M. 6. 39; 8. 7. Vā. 39. 54; 50. 23; 54. 91; 69. 69. ² Bhā. I. 12. 27; 18. 2 and 37; 19. 4; IX. 22. 36; XII. 5. 10; 6. 5. ³ Ib. XII. 6. 11-12. ⁴ Ib. XII. 6. 16-23. ⁵ Ib. IV. 18. 22; Br. III. 8. 13; IV. 20. 53; 33. 36; 36. 212; M. 10. 19. ⁶ Bhā. XII. 11. 35. ⁷ Br. II. 25. 88; M. 154. 444. ⁸ M. 163. 56; 114. 83; 126. 7; 133. 33. ⁹ Vā. 46. 34; 52. 6. ¹⁰ Vi. I. 17. 38. ¹¹ Ib. I. 21. 21. ¹² Ib. II. 10. 7.

Takṣaka (II)—the son of Prasenajit and father of Brhadbala.

Bhā. IX. 12. 8.

Takṣaka (III)—the father of Jvalanā (s.v.).

M. 49. 6; Vā. 99. 128.