

sacrifice of **Janamejaya**, although this honour is attributed in the Aitareya Brāhmaṇa² to **Tura Kāvaseya**. He also appears in the Jaiminiya Upaniṣad Brāhmaṇa³ as a pupil of **Śruta**, and is mentioned in the Vamśa Brāhmaṇa.⁴ He cannot be connected in any way with **Devāpi**, who occurs in the Rigveda.⁵

² viii. 21.

³ iii. 40, 1.

⁴ *Indische Studien*, 4, 384, 385.

⁵ x. 98. Cf. Oldenberg, *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft*, 42, 240.

1. **Ibha** is a word of somewhat doubtful sense and interpretation. It is found only in the Saṃhitās,¹ and especially in the Rigveda.² According to Roth³ and Ludwig⁴ the sense is 'retainer,' and Zimmer⁵ thinks that it includes not only dependants and servants, but also the royal family and the youthful cadets of the chief families. In the opinion of Pischel and Geldner⁶ it denotes 'elephant.' This view is supported by the authority of the commentators Sāyaṇa⁷ and Mahīdhara;⁸ the Nirukta,⁹ too, gives 'elephant' as one of the senses of the word. Megasthenes¹⁰ and Nearchos¹¹ tell us that elephants were a royal prerogative, and the derivative word **Ibhya** may thus be naturally explained as denoting merely 'rich' (lit., 'possessor of elephants').¹²

¹ Taittiriya Saṃhitā, i. 2, 14, 1; Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, xiii. 9.

² i. 84, 17; iv. 4, 1; ix. 57, 3, and perhaps vi. 20, 8.

³ St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v.

⁴ Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 246, 247.

⁵ *Altindisches Leben*, 167.

⁶ *Vedische Studien*, i, xv, xvi.

⁷ On Taittiriya Saṃhitā, loc. cit.

⁸ On Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, loc. cit.

⁹ vi. 12. It gives also the sense 'retainer,' and in Aśoka's Edicts, No. 5, Bühler, *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft*, 37, 279, finds a Vaiśya denoted by its Pāli form.

¹⁰ *Apud* Strabo, 704.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, 705.

¹² But it may equally well be explained as 'rich' from the other sense of the primary word: 'possessor of (many) retainers.'

2. **Ibha** in one passage of the Rigveda¹ appears certainly to be intended as an abbreviation of the proper name **Smadibha**.

¹ vi. 20, 8. Cf. Pischel and Geldner, *Vedische Studien*, i, xvi; Roth, St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v.; Oldenberg, *Rigveda-Noten*, i, 380. Zimmer, *Altin-*

disches Leben, 167, treats it as 'retinue,' as does Ludwig, Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 246, 247.