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ABBREVIATION

APJLS

Arbudacala Pradaksina Jaina Lekha Samdoha

APrJLS

Arbuda Pracina Jaina Lekha Samdoha

ВΙ

Bhavanagar Inscription

CII

Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum

ΕI

Epigraphia Indica

GOS

Gaekwad Oriental Series

IA

Indian Antiquary

JI.

Jaina Inscriptions

SJS

Singhi Jaina Series

SV

Satrunjaya Vaibhava

Chapter I

INTRODUCTION

A brief survey of the works dealing with trade in early India reveals elements of continuity and change - at times providing points of foci and at others exhibiting regional variations and new elements. The attempt here is to place this study of trading communities in early Medieval Western India in historical perspective. Section I looks at works dealing with trade and traders in Early India. Section II states the objectives of the study. Section III mentions the sources & Section IV the methodology and chapterisation.

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Trade as an exchange mechanism has existed since pre-historic times. In the context of complex societies it flourishes as a supplement to surplus producing agricultural activity, only if the agricultural economy of the region is capable of providing a firm base for it. The agricultural surplus necessitates and facilitates the growth of exchange centres first at the local and subsequently at the regional levels. The corresponding proliferation of occupation and resultant expansion of the economy saw the development of these centres into fairly extensive trade networks. These trade networks, the beginnings of which may be traced to the centuries prior to the Christian era in the Ganga valley, were to affect social, political and economic institutions and thoughts of the time as well as the trading communities.

H.P.Ray, Monastery and Guild: Commerce under the Satvahanas, New Delhi, 1986, p.92.

B.D.Chattopadhyay, The <u>Making of Early Medieval India</u>, Delhi, 1994, Chapter 6 and 7.

Various comprehensive surveys with specific themes of early economic history have been attempted by J.N. Samaddar,³ M.A. Buch,⁴ A.N. Bose,⁵ H. Chakraborti⁶ and B. Srivastava.⁷ While they are helpful in the understanding of economic activities of the early historical period, their analysis of the trading organisations is not detailed and that of the trading communities is almost negligible.

Anthropologists have added an interesting dimension to the existing studies on trade. They often view it as playing a role in social change. Renfrew⁸ has argued that inter and intra - tribal trade could lead to the concentration of wealth and consequently of economic power in the hands of a small number of favourably situated chiefs and kin elders, who would then emerge as the ruling elite. For Knapp,⁹ it would result in stratification of social needs for status and the pursuit of prestige. Thus, it could be taken that trade might not be the prime mover of social change but in relatively large quantities, it leads to stratification. This stratification resulting from expanding trade and specialization of function would have made specialized wealthy merchants a competitive locus of power. Such development would entail that the early states work in harmony with the merchants to gain from

³ Economic Conditions of Ancient India, Calcutta, 1992.

Economic Life in Ancient India, 2 vols., Allahabad, 1979.

Social and rural economy of Northern India, c.600 B.C. - 200 AD, 2 vols., Calcutta, 1942.

Trade and Commerce of Ancient India, c.200 B.C.-650 AD, Calcutta, 1966.

Trade and Commerce in Ancient India (form earliest times to c.AD 300), Varanasi, 1968.

⁸ H.P. Ray, <u>The Winds of Change</u>, Delhi, 1994, p.121.

⁹ ibid., p.121.

these developments and would be tempted to protect if not monopolize such developments. Thus, to Kipp and Schortman, ¹⁰ the increasing scale of markets and trade plays a crucial role in the emergence of secondary states.

Assisting the above mentioned trend, is the role of 'trading diasporas'. 11 The concept of 'trade diaspora' was introduced by Abner Cohen in 1971 to describe the inter- related commercial network of a nation of socially inter-dependent, but spatially dispersed communities. These networks required resolution of the infrastructural problems of storage, credit, payment and transportation. More important were, gathering of information regarding supply and demand; the adjudication of commercial disputes; and creation of bonds of confidence. These could be overcome by the formation of 'trading diasporas' which created a corporate identity and cultural unity among its members. Among others, a common religion has been recognized as a potent binding force.

Philip Curtin¹² states that these diasporas could vary greatly in their structure, from the informal ties of merely a shared culture, religion, language or kinship to formal and relatively centralized arrangements based on monopoly rights and military force. These diasporas represent an intensification of market behaviour, stratification and socio-political change.¹³

The current connotation of the concept is that the diaspora merchant

[&]quot;The Political Impact of trade in Chiefdoms" in <u>American Anthropologist</u>, 91, 1989 pp.370-385.

[&]quot;Cultural Strategies in the Organisation of Trading Diasporas" in C.Meillasoux ed., <u>The Development of Indegenous Trade and Markets in</u> West Africa, London, 1971.

¹² Cross Cultural Trade in World History, Cambridge, 1984, pp.2-12.

Kipp and Schortman, "The Political Impact..., op.cit. pp.370-385.

remained marginalized socially and politically and there was a disjunction between trade and elite politics. However, the alien character of the trading diasporas was not a universal feature and has been termed 'basically unhistorical' in the Asian setting where merchant communities appear to have been rooted in the broader framework of society and to have become associated with revenue collection and court politics.¹⁴

H.P. Ray¹⁵ has explored the relation of trade to Buddhism. She has touched upon the 'Ideological Parameters of Trade' which broadly looks at long distance trade as a catalyst in social change and the concept and the role of trading diasporas. She goes on to outline two remarkable features that characterize early historical trade, under the Satavahanas of the Deccan and later all over India. They are the extensiveness of trade networks and the location of monasteries at strategic points along these. This is explained by the fact that the emergence of new loci of authority necessitated a restructuring of social ties and development of fresh social networks. Within this fluid situation, institutionalized Buddhism provided anchorage and a base for the restructuring.¹⁶

In the expanding rural economy and the monitoring of new settlements, monasteries as the most developed religious institutions of the period, played a pioneering role in consolidation and integration of agricultural settlements. The

Andre Wink, <u>Al Hind: the Making of the Indo-Islamic World</u>, Oxford, 1990, pp.65-67.

[&]quot;Early Historical Trade: an Overview" in the <u>Indian Economic and Social History Review</u>, 26,4,1989, pp.437-457.

Monastery and Guild: Commerce under the Satvahanas, ep.cit.

The Winds of Change, op.cit.

[&]quot;Early Historical Trade.....", op.cit. pp.437-457.

evident from the Nasik inscription of the ruling Satvahanas.¹⁷ Landed wealth is closely related to commercial wealth. As a result of consolidation and integration of agricultural settlements by the monasteries, a class of traders must have come up. Coupled with the liberal attitude of Buddhism towards the intermixing of varnas and the status of traders, the monasteries could be said to have provided a relatively conducive environment for trade and trading communities. However, the contribution appears to be limited to the provision of identity and cohesiveness to the trading groups in the social sphere and the promise of religious merit and material benefits. That they encouraged trade and traders directly does not become very apparent for want of sufficient data to prove the levels of investments by the monasteries in the guilds or the quantum of consumption at the monasteries.

Coming to the trading communities, their social position was determined by the belief system of the period and the region to which they belonged.

In the Brahmanical ethos, they conformed broadly to the third category in the <u>Varnāṣramadharma</u> system - the <u>Vaisyas</u>. However, it is difficult to determine their position conclusively on account of the often apparent heterogeneity of their composition. The concept of <u>Apaddharma</u> as outlined in the <u>Apastamba</u> and the <u>Vasistha Dharmasūtras</u> states that the artisans, Kṣatriyas and the Brāhmaṇas in order to earn their livelihood or more profit could adopt the profession of trade, in times of distress. ¹⁸

Traditionally, the vaisyas are represented as being born out of the thigh of Prajapati. The <u>Rgveda</u> mentions Brbu, a prosperous head of the merchants as well

H.P. Ray, Monastery and Guild..., op.cit, pp.101-102.

A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities in Ancient India, from earliest times to 300 AD</u>, Delhi, 1992 p.65.

as the petty traders who were held in low esteem. The latter were branded as greedy and selfish. They were considered of a lower varna and their property could be claimed by the Brahmanas. The <u>Tandya Brahmana</u> states that the vaisyas were to be eaten by the upper two varnas because they were inferior. The <u>Satapatha Brahmana</u> states that the son of a vaisya woman was not to be anointed.¹⁹

With the emergence and growth of industry, trade and commerce, and the vaisyas taking to trade and banking, there was a rapid improvement in their economic status. The rich vaisyas enjoyed a better status because of their affluence and their donations and gifts to the Brahamanas and the Ksatriyas. They were also allowed to offer some sacrifices. The <u>Hiranyakesin Grihya-Sutra</u> refers to the sacrifice by the vaisya for achieving prosperity in trade. However, the upper castes were still envious of their wealth and the orthodox law-givers accorded them a much inferior status vis-a-vis their economic status. With regard to taxation also, the laws went against the vaisyas.

The emerging picture is one of vaisyas existing and operating in a system riddled with traditional barriers. They were accorded a low status. What also becomes evident is the division of the vaisyas themselves into two broad groups - the higher group engaged in trade, owning land, well organised, wealthy and enjoying a higher social status. The lower ones were artisans, petty traders or those engaged in agriculture and who were socially, politically and economically inferior.

In contrast, Buddhism that developed at the time of growing urban centres and expanding trade routes, provided a congenial environment for usury and

¹⁹ ibid., p.66.

²⁰ ibid., p.72.

investment of wealth in trade. It was also the only religion organised into a monastic establishment. This institutionalisation in a close interaction with lay devotees made the Sangha sentient to the needs of the society. Early Buddhist literature indicates a range of changes in several concepts. It lists the higher and lower occupations, while stressing the occupational divisions among the people. Listed among the higher occupations were agriculture, trade and cattle-breeding. Large donations to the Sangha granted social status to the merchants as well as promising the material benefits in return for <u>Dana</u>. The most significant development is that of <u>Bodhisattava Avalokitesvara</u> as the saviour of travellers and sea-farers. Equally significant was the location of monasteries along the trade routes and the use of Buddhist symbols for coinage, seals and pottery. 22

The basic stratification among the traders, as perceived from both the Brahmanical and Buddhist sources, enjoins upon us to take a look at various categories of merchants and traders.

The literary and archaeological sources refer to terms such as <u>vaisya</u>, <u>vaniks</u>, <u>gahapati</u>, <u>śresthi</u>, <u>sārthavaha</u>, <u>nigama</u> etc.

<u>Vaisyas</u> have been referred to earlier. They have been mentioned once in the <u>Rgveda</u> and frequently in the post Vedic period. Trade and commerce was their prerogative along with usury, mechanical arts, agriculture and cattle rearing.²³ They inclined more towards trade in the rapidly expanding economy.

Uma Chakravarti, <u>The Social Dimensions of Early Buddhism</u>, Delhi, 1987, p.102.

²² H.P. Ray, <u>The Winds</u>..., pp.5-7.

A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities</u>..., p.27.

Manu also attributes trade and agriculture as the profession of the vaisyas.²⁴

Vanik is a term regarding which there is a difference of opinion. Arthasastra refers to a vanik and vaisya in a single sentence suggesting that the terms are different in nature or connotation. According to B.N. Puri and K.Prasad, ²⁵ vanik was a term used for petty merchants who had their shops in the market. This does not appear to be correct because travelling traders were described as vaniks. In the Rgveda, Dirghsravasa is referred to as a vanik who lived by trade in times of distress. The sea merchants, one named Bhijju in the Rgveda, were also called vaniks. Atharvaveda mentions Indra who was a vanik and became a leader of commerce. Panini uses the the term to denote traders. V.S., Agarwala states that this word was applied to traders without distinction of caste. The setthis, sarthavahas and big merchants were also called vaniks. In many stories concerning deposit, cited by Ludwig Sternbach, the person with whom the deposits were made has been described as a vanik. Thus it appears that 'vanik' included all kinds of traders, from the ordinary shopkeepers to the merchants of all castes associated with trade, commerce, usury and related activities. ²⁶

Setthis/Śresthins were a very influential class among the traders. Again scholars differ about their identity. According to Mrs. Rhys Davids²⁷ and A.N.Bose,²⁸ the term setthi means a treasurer or banker. But in the <u>Jātakas</u>, they were engaged in trade.²⁹ In Luders List, in two inscriptions, a setthi is called a

ibid., pp.27-28.

ibid., pp.29-30.

ibid., p.30.

²⁷ Cambridge History of India, vol.1, p.185.

A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities</u>..., p.31.

ibid., p.31.

gahapati or the son of a gahapati. 30 A.S. Altekar suggests that the gahapatis on becoming prosperous merchants were given the designation of setthis. According to H.Chakraborti, the rich setthis of the Jatakas may be taken as wholesale dealers, a class of middlemen between the producer and the trader. 31 The most accepted view of setthis is that they transacted the business of usury and acted as bankers. The Khadiravigara Jataka refers to setthi Anathpindika who used to finance the merchants on their bonds. The same source also refers to setthi moneylendrs lending money to traders.

Gahapati in the Vedic context was a household head. In the Pāli texts, the term has been applied to wealthly traders and landholders. They, especially the setthi gahapatis, were rich and exercised great social and political influence. There are thirty nine inscriptions in Luders List that refer to gahapatis, and that they were associated with economic activities. In most of them, only the title is given and the clue to the occupation whenever provided indicates trade and commerce. Number 1056 and 1073 have the gahapati described as a sresthin and in number 1062 as a sarthavāha. A Kānheri cave inscription speaks of the establishment of a cave by a gahapati, who was a merchant. However, references associating gahapatis with agriculture are also available. There is unanimity about the fact that they were an affluent and influential class of people who might have been a distinguished section of the trading community of rural as well as urban base.

<u>Sārthavāha</u> were the leaders of a caravan or a caravan trader. They moved from place to place, selling and purchasing merchandise. The leader of these caravans was also referred to as a <u>jetthaka</u>. <u>Jatakas</u> refer to caravan chiefs or merchant leader i.e. <u>satthāvāho jetthāko</u>. The term appear in later epigraphic

Nos. 1056, 1073.

Trade and Commerce..., p.311.

records also. Arthasastra enjoins to make proper arrangement for their protection. Patānjali refers to sarthavaha or sarthik. The sarthavahas transacted business on both land and water. Pūṣān was the master of land trade and Varuṇa of sea-borne trade. In the Jaina works, sarthavaha is stated as an important officer who was an expert in archery and administration. The sartha system of trading community was a form of economic guild temporarily constituted with a view to providing protection during transit, managed by their leader.

It appears that among the broad category of <u>vaisyas</u> and <u>vaniks</u>, the <u>setthis</u>, the <u>gahapatis</u> and the <u>sarthavahas</u> (<u>jetthaka</u>) were placed higher on account of their wealth and consequent influence.

Owing to the efflorescence of economic activity and trade networks, coupled with the relatively weak position of the traders in the traditional belief system (dichotomy between their ritual and economic status), and the insecurities of the time, the trading communities organised themselves into guilds. A parallel can be drawn with the trading diasporas as enunciated by various scholars, ³³ though the model most relevant would be the one outlined by Andre Wink. ³⁴ The guilds from the early historical period were bound together because of caste, occupation, religion or lineages, formed as integral part of the socio-political ethos and often played a prominent role.

Guilds have been given a fair amount of attention by R.C. Majumdar, 35

J.C. Jain, <u>Life in Ancient India as Depicted in the Jaina Canons</u>, Bombay, 1947, p.110.

Outlined Earlier in the Chapter.

Al Hind...., pp.65-67.

Corporate Life in Ancient India, Calcutta, 1922.

G.L Adhya, ³⁶ K.V. Rangaswamy Aiyangar, ³⁷ M.A. Buch ³⁸ B.Srivastava, ³⁹ A.N. Bose, ⁴⁰ B.P.Mazumdar ⁴¹ and R.N.Saletore. ⁴²

R.C. Majumdars' is a very comprehensive survey of corporate activity in ancient times. He traces the the origin of guilds from Vedic times and states that the Panis of Rgvedic times were well organized. B.Srivastava disagrees with him and finds the Rgvedic period too early to represent corporate activity R.K. Mookerji states that <u>śresthin</u> and <u>śraisthya</u> referred to in the <u>Rgveda</u> mean headman of a guild'. Ludwig suggests that the Panis' act of going out for trade in a caravan suggests some kind of organisation of traders. The <u>Brhadaranyaka Upaniśad</u> suggests the vaisyas were called ganasāh because they earned and accumulated wealth on cooperative basis. The <u>Jātakas</u> furnish information about corporate activity too. The <u>Mūgapakka - Jātaka</u> mentions the number of guilds as eighteen which was probably a conventional number. Kautilya refers

Early Indian Economics, APH, 1966.

Aspects of Ancient Indian Economic Thought, Varanasi, 1965.

Economic Life in Ancient India, Allahabad, 1979.

Trade and Commerce in Ancient India, Varanasi, 1968.

Social and Rural Economy of Northern India, Calcutta, 1942.

Socio-Economic History of Northern India, (1030-1194 AD), Calcutta, 1960.

Early Indian Economic History.

⁴³ R.C.Majumdar, Corporate Life..., pp.16-17.

Trade and Commerce..., p.207.

A.K.Mishra, <u>Trading Communities...</u>, p.51.

⁴⁶ R.C.Majumdar, Corporate Life..., pp.12-13.

ibid., pp.20-21.

to 'Sambhuya samuttha tarah' and sreni as guilds of workmen who carry on any cooperative work. The post-Maurya prakrit inscriptions are replete with references to guilds of weavers, braziers, oil makers, perfumers, corn-dealers etc. The Jaina canonical texts refer to two main trade associations viz the merchants union and the craft guilds. 49

The perusal of the sources on guilds, thus, makes apparent the existence of guilds in different region referred to by different names. What is consistent is that they indicate an organisation of some kind on some common factor, to safeguard the individual and collective economic, legal and social interests of the people engaged in a particular activity.

The various organizations that emerge are <u>śreni</u>, <u>naigama</u> and <u>puga</u>.

<u>Śreni</u> is described by Pāṇini as "an assembly of persons following a common craft or trade and a common duty." Medātithi defines it as "guilds of merchants, artisans, bankers or brahmins learned in the four Vedas." Vijnānesvara defines it as a corporation, whose members come from one and the same craft. To Kautilya, śreni was not only of traders but also of military clans. Mahābhārata explains it as a guild of traders and artisans. R.C.Majumdar sums it as a corporation of people belonging to the same or

⁴⁸ ibid., pp.25-28.

⁴⁹ A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities</u>..., pp.51-52.

K.V. Rangaswamy Aiyangar, Aspects of..., pp.51-52.

⁵¹ ibid., p.51.

⁵² ibid., p.161.

⁵³ R.C.Majumdar, <u>Corporate Life...</u>, pp.25-28.

different castes but following the same trade or industry.⁵⁴

Naigama, according to Madanaratna is 'merchants united as a caravan.' This is also the interpretation of Smrticandrika. Katyayana gives it a wider sense and says 'that it should consist of members drawn from a single city. Wagle and Bose too consider it as a bigger economic unit. 58

<u>Puga</u> has been described as 'a group of merchants' by Katyayana⁵⁹ and by Panini as an association of men of different castes with no fixed profession.⁶⁰

The close of the early historical period and the beginning of the early medieval period in India has been a point of much controversy. It is stated to represent the 'crystallization of Indian Feudalism' by some scholars⁶¹ and refuted by others.⁶² Trade and trading communities in this period have to be studied against the backdrop of this 'feudalism debate'.

R.S. Sharma opines that that period from the close of the Gupta period to

ibid., p.3.

K.V. Rangaswamy Aiyangar, Aspects of..., p.161

ibid., p.161.

⁵⁷ ibid., p.161.

A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities</u>..., p.53.

K.V. Rangaswamy Aiyangar, Aspects of..., p.162.

A.K. Mishra, <u>Trading Communities</u>..., p.53.

R.S.Sharma, Indian Feudalism, C 300-1200, Calcutta, 1965.

B.D.Chattopadhyay, The <u>Making of Early Medieval India</u>, Chapter 6 and 7; H.Mukhia, <u>Perspectives on Medieval History</u>, New Delhi, pp.153-191.

about the tenth century, marks a departure from the early historical pattern. It shows a decline of trade and commerce, thereby of urban centres. The economy became increasingly rural with the self-sufficient village becoming the foci of production. Pressure on land increased with the people from declined urban centres moving to the agricultural hinterland. As a result production declined. In this scenario, the merchants as a community also declined, both economically and socially.⁶³

B.D.Chattopadhyay states that the decline of trade, particularly foreign trade, may not necessarily imply a decline in internal trade and as a consequence of urban centres. The economic basis of the 'second urbanization' was agrarian surplus coupled with establishment of territorial concepts which ensured the production of surplus. This surplus had to be exchanged and therefore trade and trading networks developed. If foreign trade did not play a major role in the rise of urbanism then its decline would not affect it either. ⁶⁴ He cites inscriptional evidence from places like Prthudāka, Tattānanadapura and Gopāgiri to show the continuity of internal trade and urbanization associated with these sites in the early medieval period. ⁶⁵ The Siyadoni evidence shows that land grants to assignees at urban centres gave an impetus to economic growth while their presence in rural area created conditions for 'commodity money relations'. A conglomeration of such centres could result into urban centres. ⁶⁶

While highlighting the continuity of trade and the urban centres, the work

Indian Feudalism, pp.127-134; L.Gopal, Economic Life of Northen India, pp.102-4 provides evidence from literary texts to substantiate the decline of trade.

B.D.Chattopadhyay, The Making of Early Medieval India, pp.147-8.

⁶⁵ ibid., pp.132-8.

ibid., pp.136-7.

lays particular emphasis on western India of the early medieval period and brings out many points specific to the developments in the region. First, the region was marked by a gradual agrarian expansion and the extension of the irrigation network facilitated by the proliferating ruling lineage and their regional centres of power. The inscriptions reveal a parallel development of the centres of power and the centres of exchange. Often the two were same. These centres were more rooted in the regional context and were greater in number while being modest in dimension. This phase is referred to as that of the 'third urbanization'. He states that the "early medieval India has to be seen in terms of the scale of certain fundamental movements within the regional and local levels, and not in terms of the crisis of a pre-existent, pan Indian social order". 68

As a result of the agrarian expansion and the rise of regional centres of power, the favourable location of Gujarat and Rajasthan on the western seaboard and the resurgence of trade - both inland and overseas, trading communities became prominent. Herein lies the second point of focus. These trading communities exhibited a proliferation similar to that of the ruling lineages. The sources provide information about the origins of merchant families; the areas of concentration which may have been their operational base; their movements to new areas of settlement and establishment of new exchange centres.⁶⁹

Third, both the exchange centres and the merchant lineages exhibit elements of stratification. The exchange centres were a result of the integration of rural units of production and some of these were linked to the royal authority by being their seats of power e.g. Candravati, Naddula and Anahilavada. The

⁶⁷ ibid., p.160.

ibid., p.17.

⁶⁹ ibid., pp.89-119.

merchants, similarly, were associated with these centres in various capacity and with the expansion of their inter and intra-regional networks, assumed various levels of importance.⁷⁰

Fourth, like the ruling lineages of the region in the period, the merchants had often amongst them those who were outsiders seeking a place in the traditional set up. This period was marked by their search for identity and a quest for status.

V.K.Jain's⁷¹ work is of direct relevance to the study envisaged here. He has studied the trade and traders in the Gujarat region during the eleventh thirteenth centuries and provides a comprehensive survey of the state of trade in the region. He goes into some detail about the origins of the trading groups, their organisation, categories and status and the elements of stratification evident among them as a result of wealth, proximity to royalty or the role in religion and administration. There is, however, scope to chart the differential history of the merchant lineages and discern some pattern among them.

Other works of the early medieval period on the trading groups and organisation have been, barring a few, of a regional nature and include those by

ibid., pp.89-119.

Trade and Traders in Western India, AD 1000-1300, Delhi, 1990.

⁷² ibid., pp.213-214.

ibid., pp.227-232.

⁷⁴ ibid., pp.217-222.

⁷⁵ ibid., pp.208-217.

⁷⁶ ibid., pp.233-249.

L.Gopal, ⁷⁷ Meera Abraham⁷⁸ P.Chenna Reddy, ⁷⁹ O.P.Prasad, ⁸⁰ G.S. Dikshit⁸¹ and R.Narasimha Rao. ⁸²

L.Gopal states that the guilds in the early medieval period were not so effective. They declined in importance and their prestige and property suffered. He attributes it to the rise of feudalism and competition from the temple. They became fossilized into occupational subcastes, more local in nature with no organisational connection with their counterparts elsewhere.⁸³

Abraham's work is a detailed and extensive study of two guilds of south India, the <u>Manigramam</u> and the <u>Ayyavole</u>. They indulged in both short and long distance trade. The points to notice in this work are the stimulus provided by trade to the growth of market towns; the link between the landholders and the traders in the late twelfth and the thirteenth centuries indicating the improvement in agriculture, imperial expansion and the expansion of trade as inter - connected causes of the social change of the thirteenth century.

The Economic Life of Northern India, C-700-1200, Varanasi, 1965.

Two Medieval Merchant Guilds of South India, New Delhi, 1988.

Guilds in Medieval Andhra Desa, AD - 1000-1500, Delhi, 1991.

[&]quot;Trade in the Growth of Towns: A Case Study of Karnataka c.AD 600 - 1200" in B.D.Chattopadhyay ed., <u>Essays in Ancient Indian Economic History</u>, Delhi, 1987, pp.175-181.

[&]quot;Trade Guilds under the Chalukyas of Kalyani", in B.D.Chattopadhyay ed., Essays in..., pp.182-4.

[&]quot;Merchant Guilds in Medival Andhra" in B.D.Chattopadhyay ed., <u>Essays</u> in..., p.

The Economic Life..., pp. 81-85.

O.P. Prasad's⁸⁴ article shows the transformation of the settlement from a place of relgious interest into a prosperous mercantile town in the eleventh century. He cites the evidence of Śravaṇa Belagola and Lokkigundi. The merchants were attracted by the religious importance of these places intially and the made these centres of their commercial activity. They shared the responsibility of the proper administration of religious and economic affairs. This article indicates that revival of large scale commercial activity at both the local and long-distance levels contributed to urbanization.

G.S. Dikshit⁸⁵ discusses the role and organization of the guilds in Karnataka, with their strongholds in northern and central parts. They were concentrated in the capital or religious centres with their important officials referred to as Vadda vyavahari etc.

Rao and Chenna Reddy study the organisational and functional aspects of the corporate bodies in Andhra. The important guilds known from the inscriptions of this region are Telikis, Nakaramu, the Pakkandru and the Deśi.

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In the light of the historiography and the primary perusal of the sources, both literary and epigraphic, the <u>Objectives</u> of the study include the study of the origins, growth and development, character and composition, chronological and geographical distribution, and the role and status of a few prominent merchant lineages of the region - Gujarat and Rajasthan. They are the <u>Dhūsaras</u> and the <u>Dharakatas</u>, the <u>Śrimālas</u>, the <u>Osvālas</u> and the <u>Prāgvatas</u>.

See Footnote Number 80.

⁸⁵ See Footnote Number 81.

These merchant lineages would be studied in the context of the feudalism debate. The aim would be to see if their development concurs with the view about a continuity of trade and urban centres in the early medieval period and the role of the traders as major contributors to this development. The primacy of the regional centres of power got reflected among the merchants as well. The aim is to highlight this aspect along with the ensuing stratification that marked both the centres and the merchants in this period.

The changing matrix of western India on account of brisk economic activity affected the trading communities in a substantial way. This would get reflected in the changes in their status and organizations. This would be sought to be studied by looking at their titles and the nature of references to them in contemporary records.

The status in the Indian context is always inextricably linked to religion and the resultant belief system. The changing situation is bound to affect the expectations of the community from the belief system and the former's reaction to the latter. The records reveal a shift from the merchants providing patronage to the Brahmanical gods and temple to those of Jainism. The attempt would be to highlight this aspect and explore the role of Jainism in promoting trade and traders as well as the need of the traders to shift patronage.

Change in religion heralds a social change. This, along with the proliferation of the ruling lineages and the merchant lineages would be worth looking at, though any conclusions can at best be tentative.

Finally, it would be seen if the concept of diaspora as enunciated earlier apply to the socio-economic ethos of early medieval Gujarat and Rajasthan. If not, then what are the alternative mechanisms to hold the merchants together and safeguard their interests.

The <u>Sources</u> used for the study are both literary and epigraphic. It would however be appropriate to indicate the shortcomings of our sources at this stage.

The literary texts, though replete with references to merchants and trade, especially long-distance trade, project more of an ideal for the merchants and their leaders. The stories set in Kausambi and Hastinapur present stereotypes rather than actually reflecting the contemporary situation. The impressions gathered about trade and traders of western India are incidental. This is particularly true of the initial phase of the early medieval period, i.e. from the eighth to the eleventh centuries. It constitutes of <u>Dharmakathas</u> like the <u>Samaraiccakaha</u> of Haribhadra Suri, ⁸⁶ the <u>Kuvalayamala</u> of Udyotana Suri, ⁸⁷ the <u>Upamitibhavaprapañcakatha</u> of Siddharsi, ⁸⁸ the <u>Bhavisayattakaha</u> of Dhanapala and the <u>Kathakosaprakarana</u> of Jinesvara Suri. ⁹⁰ It is only in the texts of the thirteenth, fourteenth and the fifteenth centuries that the scene shifts directly to the region of our study. It saw the composition of the <u>mahakavyas</u>, plays and the <u>prabandhas</u> with prominent merchants as their central characters. These include the

A Prākrita Work Writen in the Middle of the eighth century. By H.Jacobi, Samarāicca Kahā: A Jaina Prākrita work, vol.l. And S.R.Sharma, Social and Cultural Patterns in Rajasthan as Depicted in Contemporary Prakrita works c.700-900, Unpublished Ph.D Thesis, Delhi University, 1992.

Ed., by Jina Vijaya Muni, Singhi Jain Series (SJS) 45- 46, Bombay, 1970 also V.S.Agarwala, 'A Cultural Note on the Kuvalaymala of Uddyotana Suri', pp.-113-129, in the same.

Ed. P.Peterson and H.Jacobi Bl, Calcutta, 1899. Written in the 10th Century.

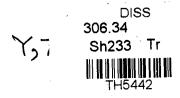
Ed. C.D. Dalal and P.D. Gune, Bombay, 1967. Written in the 10th Century.

⁹⁰ Ed. Jinavijayamuni, Bombay, 1949. Written in V.S. 1108/AD 1051 in Prakrita in Marvar.

<u>Dvyāsrayakāvya</u> of Hemacandra, ⁹¹ the <u>Kirtikaumudi</u> of Somesvara, ⁹² the <u>Hammiramadamardana</u> of Jayasimha Sūri, ⁹³ the <u>Prabhāvākacarita</u> of Prabhacandra Sūri, ⁹⁴ the <u>Prabandhacintāmani</u> of Merutunga, ⁹⁵ the <u>Prabandhakośa</u> of Rajasekhara, ⁹⁶ the <u>Vastupālacarita</u> of Jinaharṣa ⁹⁷ and the <u>Jagāducaritra</u> of Sarvānanda. ⁹⁸ Though these texts are often marked by an eulogistic tone with the Jaina Kings and merchants being projected in a highly favourable light, they are nonetheless useful. ⁹⁹

The epigraphs are more helpful because of their chronological and spatial specificity. They enable us to discern the stage of change in the process of urbanization and the rise of merchant lineages. However, they too are religious and not commercial in nature and record the works of benefaction undertaken by an individual merchant or his family. Often they are in the form of <u>praśastis</u>. They have been collected from P.C. Nahar's <u>Jaina Inscriptions</u>, Muni Kantisagara's <u>Śatruñjaya Vaibhava</u> and Muni Jinavijaya's <u>Arbudã Pracīna Jaina Lekha Samdoha</u> and <u>Arbudã Pradaksina Jaina Lekha Samdoha</u>.

⁹⁹ Contents discussed in detail in Chapter II.



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Dr. S.P. Narang, Delhi, 1972 and Indian Antiquary, IV, 1875, pp.52-59. A Thirteenth Century Work.

⁹² Ed. Punyavijaya Suri, SJS, 32, Bombay, 1961. A Thirteenth Century Work.

Ed. C.D. Dalal, Gaekwad Oriental Series, (GOS) No.X, Baroda 1920. Also contains <u>Vastupāla - Tejahpāla Prašasti and Sukrtakīrtī-Kallolini</u> of Udayaprabhacarya. All works are of the Thirteenth Century.

Ed. Jinavijayamuni, SJS, Calcutta 1940.

Translated M.A. Tawney, Calcutta, 1901. Written in AD 1305.

Ed, Jinavijayamuni, SJS, 6, Santiniketan, 1935. Written in AD 1349.

Ed.Kirtivijayamuni, Ahmedabad, 1941, Written in AD 1441.

⁹⁸ Ed. G.Bühler, Indian Studies, No.1. A Foutheenth Century work.

IV

The methodology entails a survey of the merchant families chronologically

and geographically to determine their origins and the spread of their networks; their

various categories as indicated by their titles; their relationship to the urban centres

and the centre of political power and the emergence of differentiation among these

lineages as evident for the differential history of certain families. Area of specific

interest are their nature of growth and their contribution to urbanization. Also

attempted would be a sketch of their religious, official and political status in the

contemporary society by a detailed study of their honorific titles and the prasastis

composed by them.

To facilitate the study, the dissertation has been tentatively divided into

three other chapters apart from this one. These include:

Chapter I:

Introduction

Chapter II:

The Merchants and Merchant lineages of Early Medieval Western

India: A survey

Chapter III:

Quest for Status: The Merchant families in their Socio-cultural and

Political Roles

Chapter IV: Conclusion

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Chapter II

THE MERCHANTS AND MERCHANT LINEAGES OF EARLY MEDIEVAL WESTERN INDIA: A SURVEY

There is considerable evidence to suggest that there was a revival of commercial activity in the early medieval period at the pan-Indian level. This development was naturally accompanied by the emergence of a merchant class. In the context of western India what was particularly noticeable in the early medieval period was the ascendancy of this class as merchant lineages (referred to as kula, vamsa, jati and inati). This pattern seems to contrast with the ascendancy of guilds of both medieval Europe and other regions of early medieval India. Further, the titles of the merchants like Sadhu, śresthi, sartha and vanik vary in the sources indicating various categories of traders pursuing different economic activities. Moreover the urbanisation process in the early medieval India, to which the merchants were invariably a major contributor, exhibits certain distinctive features. Unlike the early historical urban centres that were centers of political powers eg. Kauśambi and Ahicchatra, the early medieval centers were more rooted in their regional contexts. They were more modest in dimensions being primarily nodal points in local exchange networks and corresponded to regional tiers of power. Yet there was a greater profusion of urban centers which were distinct from rural settlements. Secondly, the early historical centers had large agricultural hinterlands. While this is true of the early medieval centers as well, early medieval western India has the added aspects of having a favourable

See Carlo M. Cipolla ed., <u>The Fontana Economic History of Europe</u>, vol. I (The Middle Ages) for Europe. Also Meera Abraham, <u>Two Medieval Merchant Guilds of South India</u>; R. Narasimha Rao, "Merchant Guilds in Medieval Andhra" and G.S. Dikshit "Trade Guilds under Chalukyas of Kalyani" in B.D. Chattopadhyay ed. <u>Essays in Ancient Indian Economic History</u>, Delhi, 1987.

position on the western sea board and there by the importance of maritime trade. Finally, the location of urban centers on well developed trade routes, be it Varanasi on Ganga in early historical period or Patan on a well established trade route in early medieval western India, is a noticeable phenomenon.²

In the light of these aspects, the chapter outlines the four major merchant lineages of western India - the <u>Dhūsara</u> and the <u>Dharkatas</u>, the <u>Śrīmālas</u>, the <u>Prāgvatas</u> and the <u>Osvālas</u> - in terms of their origins, their chronological and geographical spread, their various categories as indicated by the titles adopted by them in their inscriptions, their relationship to urban centers and centers of political power, and finally, the emergence of differentiation within and among these lineages as evident from the differential history of certain families.

The sources used for our study are both literary and epigraphic. Section I presents the picture of the merchants and merchant lineages as sketched by the texts of the initial phase of the early medieval western India i.e. from about eighth to the eleventh century. However, as mentioned earlier they represent an ideological and stereotypical picture with stories set in the past. Section II attempts to create a more realistic picture with the use of contemporary epigraphs. The history and growth of various merchant lineages and emergence of certain prominent families amongst them is sought to be constructed here. The chronological and spatial specificity of the epigraphs is of great help. Yet, religious in nature and often in the form of <u>prasastis</u>, the inscriptions have their limitations. The section traces the history of the <u>Dhūsaras</u> and the <u>Dharkatas</u>. Section III treats the <u>Pragvatas</u>. Section IV the <u>Śrīmālas</u> and Section V the <u>Osvālas</u>. Section VI sees if and how the later texts of the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth centuries corroborate the evidence suggested by the epigraphs.

B.D. Chattopadhyay, <u>The Making of Early Medieval India</u>, Delhi, 1994, pp. 178-182.

We would like to start with an examination of the evidence which texts written in the early phase purport to provide, in order to understand the significance of what was being projected.

One of the earliest texts belonging to the period of study is the <u>Samaraiccakahā</u> of Haribhadra Sūri,³ and it is full of various references to the long distance especially maritime trade. It mentions that one of the routes to Śri Lanka was via Śripurā in Suvarṇadvipa, from where ships are said to have left for Śri Lanka practically everyday.⁴ Also described are the sea voyages of Indian merchants from Tāmralipti to Mahākataha (Kedah in western Malaya) and Suvarṇadvipa. The merchant Dhāraṇa is said to have brought ingots of gold from the latter.⁵ Reference is made to a <u>Sārthavaha</u> proceeding with a mighty caravan to the port of Vaijayanti and taking a ship of China.⁶

The prevalence of money economy, an important feature of urbanisation and concomitant of widespread trade, is suggested by references to varieties of coins; dināra, suvarņa and rūpaka. Mention is made of a trader being provided with goods worth five lakhs of dināras as an investment to acquire riches by trade.⁷

H. Jacobi, <u>Samarāiccakahā: A Jaina Prākrita work</u>, Vol.I. And S.R. Sharma, Social and Cultural Patterns in Rajasthan as depicted in Contemporary Prakrit works c.700-900, unplublished Ph.D Thesis, Delhi University, 1992.

S.R. Sharma, ibid., p. 412.

⁵ ibid., p. 413.

⁶ ibid., p.415.

⁷ ibid., p.419.

The existence of various categories of traders is also suggested by numerous references to <u>vaniks</u>, <u>śresthins</u> and <u>sarthavāhas</u>. It is interesting to note that nowhere are they referred to as <u>vaiśyas</u>. They are seen as a prosperous and respected community of the region in the period. We are told of a sresthi Bandhudatta, who averted his face not from supplicants but the wives of others; coveted the acquisition of <u>dharma</u> and not the wealth of others and was lacking in vices, not in riches. Elsewhere is mentioned sarthavaha Vaisramana, highly esteemed by the king, kind to the poor, orphan and destitute and devoted to the trīvarga.

These merchants especially <u>sarthavahaputra</u>, having acquired riches abroad, made liberal presents to the needy, eliciting the admiration and envy of fellow merchants who wished to act likewise. Also, enterprising traders when they returned from abroad were honored by the king, like Dharana, who was recieved by the king himself and was offered the command of certain areas. 11

That the status of merchants was seen as high is attested to by a story where a brahmana alleges the existence of stolen property in the sarthavahaputra's house. The king refuses to believe him and describes the sarthavahaputra as being of 'noble descent'. No discrimination against him is to be discerned in matters of punishment.¹²

⁸ ibid., p.63.

⁹ ibid., p.63.

ibid., p.74.

ibid., p.74.

ibid., pp.71-72.

<u>Kuvalayamālā</u> of Udyotana Sūri¹³ gives a more detailed picture of the urban as well as rural life. The picture is one of opulence with villages being abundant in cattle and cities appearing like city of Kubera.¹⁴ The presence of a wide economic base is suggested by references to <u>vaniks</u> and <u>vīthis</u> as being common features of villages.¹⁵ Bustling market places in the cities full of <u>mānikya</u> (precious stones), <u>hiranya</u> (gold) and <u>dhānya</u> (grain);¹⁶ variety of items in the markets; and presence of various streets in the city of Vinita paint a vivid picture.¹⁷

That Jābalipura (Jālor) was economically prosperous, the same being true of Gurjaradesa as a whole, inhabited by rich Jaina laymen who contributed to the building of many Jaina temples is again underlined by the text. Money economy is sought to be suggested by references to dinaras and rupakas being given as rewards to astrologers and gardeners. Traders who proceeded from Kāśi to Daksinapatha earned 500 suvarnas each.

Ed, Jina Vijaya Muni, Singhi Jaina Series (SJS), 45-46, Bambay, 1970. Also V.S. Agarwala, "A Cultural note on the <u>Kuvalayamālā</u> by of Udyotana Sūri" in the same, pp.113-129.

¹⁴ Kuvalayamālā, p.65.

ibid., p. 50,57,65.

ibid., p.100.

ibid., pp.7-8.

¹⁸ S.R. Sharma, "Social and...", op. cit., p. 403.

¹⁹ ibid., p.419.

ibid., p.419.

ibid., p.420.

In this economic scenario, trade is depicted as having been widespread, both internally and externally. Sopara is described as a big emporium of traders, the mercantile activity of which extended to the far off regions of Kośala, Uttarapatha, Dwaraka, Babbarkula and countries like China Suvarnadvipa and Ratnadvipa. Paratian Mention is made of a merchant from Taxila selling horses in the south in exchange of betelnuts and export of horses to Sopara; Gangapatta and Netrapatta obtained from China; gold from Suvarnadvipa & jewels from Anantadvipa. At the market place of Vijayapuri, Kuvalayacandra sees merchants from 18 different regions, Gollas, Madhyadeśa, Magadha, Antarvedi, Kira, Dhakkas, Sindhū, Maru, Gujarat, Lata, Malva, Karnataka, Tapti, Kośala, Maharastra, Andhra and the Khasa, Parasa and Babbara people. There is vivid description of the commercial prosperity of the city of Pratisthana.

Sea voyages - including preparation for it, bringing together of other sailors, calculation of the duration of the journey, date of departure, prayers to popular deities, feeding the brahmanas, raising the mast etc - all suggest to the existence of a well organised seaborne trade.²⁷ Mentioned also are merchants who left Kośala for Lankapuri.²⁸

Kuvalayamala, op. cit., pp. 66-67.

ibid., p.65.

ibid., p.65.

ibid., p.46.

ibid., p.57. Also see V.S. Agarwala, op. cit., p.117.

ibid., p.67. Also see V.S. Agarwala, op. cit., p.118.

²⁸ ibid., p.74.

Traders were referred to as <u>vaniks</u>, <u>śresthins</u> and <u>sārthavāhas</u> as already evident, yet the word <u>vaisya</u> is employed only once. <u>Sresthin</u> and <u>Mahā-śresthin</u> with riches comparable to Dhanapati or Vaiśramana are to found in both villages and towns. Their prosperity is also evident from their benefactions like the sresthiputra who gifts one lakh to an actor in appreciation of his <u>subhāsita</u>. That their status, probably on account of their wealth and generosity, was not low is understood by the various virtues like charm, virtue, modesty, kindness and liberality associated with a <u>śresthiputra</u>.

The variety of professions pursued by the merchants can be seen from a vanik who declares the honorable means of gaining wealth as <u>disāgamana</u>, <u>nitrakarana</u>, <u>naravāraseva</u>, <u>māna</u> and <u>pramāna</u>, <u>dhātuveda</u>, <u>mantra</u>, <u>devatarādhana</u>, <u>sāgaratarana</u>, <u>rohanakhānana</u>, <u>vanijya</u> and <u>śilpa</u>. 34

<u>Kuvalayamālā</u> also mentions a <u>deśi-vanikmāli</u>. ³⁵ D. Sharma ³⁶ has translated it as a 'guild of dealers. Traders therefore, appeared to have had their own associations.

ibid., p.56.

³⁰ ibid., p.103.

ibid., p.57.

ibid., p. 104.

ibid., p. 224.

ibid., p.57.

ibid., p.65.

Rajasthan through the Ages, pp. 496-7.

The stories of <u>Kuvalayamālā</u> are by and large still <u>dharmakathās</u> and ultimately conducive to the development of the right faith and therefore are idealistic. The story of Māyāditya³⁷ is about an ugly and treacherous businessman of Kāśi who goes to Pratisthāna for trade and after many wrong deeds, feels remorse and seeks shelter in the words of Jina. Similar is the story of Lobhadeva of Taxila, ³⁸ a sārthavāha, who after terrible hardships gives up his incorrect ways.

The <u>Upamitibhavaprapancakatha</u> of Siddharsi³⁹ contains references to buying and selling of goods in bazars full of shops.⁴⁰ It refers to merchants and their trade.⁴¹ A collection of 8 books, the text is about Samsarajiva and his development from lower to higher forms till the soul acquires merit. In this development, books IV, V and VI contain stories of merchants who suffered due to their follies. The aim of the author appears to be to present models for the merchants to follow. That the merchant were prosperous is clear by references like Dhānesvara, son of rich merchant Kubera⁴² and merchant Somadeva who was very rich and close to the king.⁴³

Kuvalayamala, p. 30

³⁸ ibid., pp.31-32.

³⁹ Ed. P. Petrson and H. Jacobi, Bl. Calcutta, 1899.

^{40 &}lt;u>Upamitibhavaprapancakatha</u>, pp.1019-20, Books VII.

ibid., p.996, Books VII.

ibid., p.xv.

ibid., p.xviii.

The <u>Bhavisayattakahā</u> of Dhanapāla⁴⁴ centers around the story of Bhavisayattà, a trader's son who travels to Kancana country with his half brother Bandhūyatta in search of wealth and is left behind at Mainakadvīpa by the latter.⁴⁵ He then finds a princess, marnes her and returns home laden with riches. That merchant were rich is further suggested by the description of Bhavisayatta's father Dhanavāla, as young handsome rich and virtuous and the best of merchants. He was at the court of the king Bhuvala of Hastināpura.⁴⁶

On his return Bhavisayatta is recieved by the king and treated as a yuvaraja.⁴⁷ At the same time, there is an invasion by the king of Taxila that Bhuvala successfully repulses with the help of Bhavisayatta. The latter is then given the hand of princess Sumitra in marriage and a part of the kingdom.⁴⁸ It is clear that the merchants were not just prosperous but some amongst them were influential on account of greater wealth and proximity to royal power.

However, the text shows exaggerations and continuation of the stereotypes from the past eg. the testing of the fidelity of the wife of Bhavisayatta when she is restored to him after a period of separation.⁴⁹ It is reminiscent of the Ramayana and the treatment meted out to Sita.

Ed. C.D. Dalal and P.D. Gune, Bombay, 1967.

Bhavisayattakaha, pp. 20-27.

ibid., pp. 4-8.

ibid., pp. 70-71.

ibid., p.79.

ibid., pp.68-69.

The Kathākośaprakarana of Jinesvara⁵⁰ informs us of various types of traders such as the seller ofghee and oil, vegetables, fruits, curds etc.⁵¹ They are referred to as vaniks and majihimās/big merchants (the brahmanas and kṣatriyas belonged to the higher category)⁵² indicating the emergence of some form of stratification. It seems that śresthins and sārthavāha belonged to this category and were above the peasants and the artisans, both socially and economically. Their status is further attested to by their prosperity and proximity to the king, like the story of Shālibhadra,⁵³ vanik's son who was very rich and devout and the king visited his home. In the story of Simhakumāra, a prince of Kausāmbi, Simhakumāra had a relationship with the daughter of a śresthī and two were then born as a prince and a princess.⁵⁴

Stereotypes and ideals are evident from the story of <u>Dhavala vanik-putra</u>⁵⁵ who although practiced sravaka dharma was born as a blind man because his faith was not right. The story of <u>Tridandi-bhakta Kamala vanik</u>⁵⁶ is in a similar vein. He opposed the Jaina Munis, thereby going through several hells before realising his folly and agreeing to look after the Jaina munis. He then recieved back his wealth and attained <u>moksa</u>.

Ed. Jinavijayamuni, Bombay,1948.

⁵¹ <u>Kathakośaprakarana</u>, p. 165.

⁵² ibid., pp. 116-7.

ibid., pp.75-9.

⁵⁴ ibid., pp. 79-82.

⁵⁵ ibid., pp. 94-98.

⁵⁶ ibid., pp. 116-118.

Another point that comes to the fore is the influential role played by the merchant in the preservation of the Jaina munis and Jinism eg. the decisive role of śreṣṭḥī Yaksa and śreṣṭḥi Soma of Sāketa in the conflict between Jaina and Bauddha bhikṣus in the story of Jaideva⁵⁷ and śreṣṭḥīDhana deva śrāvaka in the story titled so.⁵⁸

Thus, the picture is one of definite and brisk economic activity marked by a prosperous and influential merchant class, engaged in various trades at different levels. Yet, it remains sketchy and tampered by stereotypes and ideals.

II

The situation is improved by the use of inscriptions, which are more reliable. A preliminary survey reveals the ascendancy of merchant lineages, as against the references to the merchants in individual capacity or as a class (vaniks and sresthis) in the texts of the initial phase, from the eighth century onwards. These lineages become wide spread over the entire region of our study from the thirteenth to the fifteenth centuries.

For prominent merchant lineages are discussed herewith on basis of the earliest evidence noticed for each:

- 1. Dhusaras and Dharkatas
- 2. Pragvatas
- 3. Śrīmālas
- 4. Osvālas

ibid., pp. 111-116.

⁵⁸ ibid., pp. 120-122.

DHUSARAS AND DHARKATAS

The origin of the Dharkatas seems to have been in Rajasthan. Pandit Nathu Ram Premi attributes it to a place called Siroja in Tonk State on the basis of the expression, 'Sirujapuriya thakkadakula' used by Harisena, author of Dharmaparikkhā. Harisena himself belonged to this caste and lived in the 10th Century. Dhanapala, author of Bhavisayattakahā also belonged to this vamsa. A.C. Nahata observes that the jati originated from Dhakadgadha, near Śrimālā. 59

Dharaktas & Dhūsaras are taken together because they are mentioned together in the early records i.e. Sakrāi stone inscription from Śekhāvati in Jaipur of AD 642.⁶⁰ After that, barring one reference to the Dhūsara vaṃśa from Khāndela,⁶¹ there are no references to the Dhūsaras but those to the Dharkatas continue. This disappearance could be because of the Dhūsaras having become a part of the Dharakatas.

Dharkata jati continues to find mention in the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th century records from Osian. 62 It appears in a 10th century record from Rajorgarh 63 and another from Nagaur, Jaipur state. 64 In the 12th century, it finds mention in the records from Belar in Marwad, 65 Nana in Abu, 66 the Vimalavasahi temple at

K.C. Jain, <u>Jainism in Rajasthan</u>, p.108.

⁶⁰ E.I., 27,pp.27-33.

⁶¹ E.I., 34, pp.159-163.

D. Handa, Osian: History, Archaeology, Art and Architecture, pp.211-216.

K.G. Sharma, Early Jaina Inscriptions of Rajasthan, p.92.

⁶⁴ E.I., 34, pp.77-90.

⁶⁵ P.C. Nahar, <u>Jaina Inscriptions</u>, p.219.

Arbudācala Pradaksinā Jainā Lekha Samdoha (APJLS), p.123.

Abu⁶⁷ and from Jodhpur.⁶⁸ Finally, it appears in the 13th century records from Belar, Abu⁶⁹ and the Vimlavasahi⁷⁰ and Lunavasahi⁷¹ temples at Abu.

The geographical spread⁷² shows that the merchants of this lineage appeared to be concentrated in Rajasthan. Apart from the records from Abu;⁷³ Osian⁷⁴ and Śekhāvati⁷⁵ emerge as two pockets of concentration. These may have been the operational base of these merchant lineages.

It is believed that this jati merged with the Osvālas, a prominent merchant lineage of later centuries that formed a very wide area of spread and operation. According to D.R. Bhandarkar, the name Dharkata survives as Dhakāda, which he takes to represent a subsection of Osvālas. Also the Dharkatas figure very prominently in the inscriptions at Osian, the temple site located 66 k.m. to the

Arbuda Pracina Jaina Lekha Samdoha, (APr.JLS), p.58-59.

Mandor Museum. Ref. from B.D. Chattopadhyay, <u>The Making of...</u>, op.cit., p.110.

APJLS, P117 and P.C. Nahar, J.I/1, p.221; APJLS, p117 and P.C. Nahar, J.I/1, pp. 220-1.

⁷⁰ APrJLS, p.52; p.34.

APrJLS, pp.116-7; <u>APJLS</u> p.146; <u>APJLS</u>, p.147.

See map for spatial distribution.

Implication to be discussed in Chapter III as Abu was a place of religious importance.

See note 62.

⁷⁵ See notes 60,61 & 64.

D.R. Bhandarkar, E.I., 27, p.29. Osvālas to be discussed later in detail.

north west of Jodhpur; this site is considered 'a cradle of Osvālas'.77

Replete with titles like <u>vanik</u> and <u>śresthi</u>, the purpose of the inscriptions is either to record a work of religious benefaction, or as in the case of Osian to record the deaths of certain merchants or their family members (the following table shows the records and their contents from Osian):

Year	Lineage	Contents	Reference
8th Century	Dharkaţa Jāti	Death of the son of Duggeppara of vanimalaka.	D.Handa, <u>Osian:</u> <u>History, Archaeology,</u> <u>Art and Architecture,</u> p.212.
9th Century	Dharkata Játi	Kukkā's son commemorated. who died	ibid., p.213.
AD 828	Dharkata Jāti	Āditpāla's son commemorated, who died	ibid., p.213.
AD 838	Dharkata Jāti	Sidha, Jasāditya's son, who died	ibid., p.214.
AD 875	Dharkata Játi	Uddyotana's son, who died. Uddyotana hailed probably from Dedūvaka.	ibid., p.214.
AD 912	Dharkata Játi	Vitthu, Nagaditya's son, who died	ibid., p.215.
AD 912	Dharkata Jāti	Death of a woman, daughter of Dhanya	ibid., p.215.
AD 923	Dharkata Jāti	Death of a vanik	ibid., p.215.
AD 953	Dharkata Jāti	Death of Māluka, wife of Vihana	ibid., p.215.
AD 962	Dharkata Jāti	Death of a person	ibid., p.218.
AD 1024	Dharkata Jāti	Asu's wife and Sidamta's daughter, Lali who died.	ibid., p.220.

D. Handa, Osian..., Chapter I & VI.

The records of religious benefaction are particularly helpful to us since they indicate the status and wealth of the donor merchant families to some extent as well as indicating the emergence of some form of stratification. The Sākrai stone inscription⁷⁸ of AD 642 records the construction of a mandapa of Śankaradevi by a gosthika of eleven vaniks/śresthis. The śresthis and their lineages along with the names of their ancestors is also provided the following table shows this:

Donor	Donor's Father	Donor's Grandfather	Donor's Lineage
Śresthī Mandana	Rāma	Yaśovardhana	Dhūsara
Śresุtุท์เ Gangaี	Madvāna	Mandana	Dharkata
Śresthī Ganditya	Vardhana	Bhattīyaka	Dharkata
Śresุțุท์เ Devalla	Vardhana	Bhattīyaka	Dharkaţa
Śiva	Tatta		-
Śaņkara	Vişņuvāka	-	-
Mandubāka	Ādityavardhana	-	-
Ādityanāga	Vodda		-
Bhadra	Naddhaka	-	-
Udyotana	Jeulla	-	-
Śankara	Soṇdhāka	•	-

This record indicates the importance of these merchants in the area and the formation of an association by them which could have existed for economic purposes as well.

⁷⁸ E.I., 27, pp.27-33.

Vaṇik Ādityanāga of the above inscription also got the Khāndela inscription of Ad 807⁷⁹ engraved to record the construction of a Śiva temple by him for the merit of his parents. His wife Nāgiya and her father find mention in this record along with Ādityanāga's father Vodda, his grandfather Dhāngaka and his great grand father vaṇik Durgāvardhana.

The Rajorgarh inscription of AD 922⁸⁰ records the construction of Santinatha temple by Saradeva, son of Deddaluka and Pulind.

The Nagar inscription of AD 986⁸¹ contains an account composed by the six sons of Nandana and Rohini. It records the construction of temples, tanks and installation of deities by their father, Nandana, who died on the banks of Bhagirathi. Nandana's parents were Adyotana and Natya and his grandfather was Narayana. Narayan's father was Viṣnuhari whose father was Vanig Nagahari, who got a Visnu temple built.

At this point, a change is noticed in the inscriptions. While the inscriptions discussed so far show the merchants building temples and deities of Viṣṇu, Śiva, Devi and Sūrya, from the 12th century the patronage is extended to Jainism. The family history provided becomes more detailed which was not so in the earlier records with the exception of Khāndela and Nagar inscription. The title śresthī is almost always used and the concentration of the records appears to be in and around Abu. This development is in keeping and actually corroborates the changes witnessed by the region in this period. Jainism was well entrenched in the region by this time and attracted merchants within its folds by accepting and

⁷⁹ E.I., 34, pp.159-163.

K.G. Sharma, Early Jaina..., op.cit.,p.92.

E.I.,34, pp.77-90.

encouraging trade and according the merchants a high status. The latter in turn extended generous patronage to it for achieving a social/ritual status.

This patronage was possible on account of the wealth earned by this community as a result of the economic resurgence witnessed by the regions since the 10th -11th centuries. The detailed family histories reflect the desire to distinguish and differentiate themselves from others on account of wealth and religious works. Greater use of the term <u>śresthi</u> again reflects accumulation of wealth, since the term refers to a merchant who also acted as a banker. The concentration at Abu reveals its emergence as a centre of religious importance and also the mobility of the merchants. The fact that Abu was located on one of the major trade routes passing through the region shows a link between religion, economy and the merchants. Se

The mention of <u>gotras</u> and <u>gacchas</u> in a couple of inscriptions hints at the beginnings of stratification among the merchants. The Belar inscription of AD 1178⁸³ mentions śresthi Sapārśva as the ornament of Ghislad <u>gotra</u> and his sons - Pumall and Rāma who earned a lot of glory.

Among the prominent families of this lineage one appears to be that of sresthi Ambira, resident of Abu. Two records of this family are found at Vimala vasahi, Abu. In one of AD 1188, 84 he got the image of Sri Parsvanatha installed, consecrated by Sri Singh Suri. His brothers mentioned were Sāhdeva and Jasadeva and his wife was Lasmani. Also mentioned is his second wife Praihave. His parents were śresthi Srivachcha and Dhanaśri, and grandparents were śresthi

See map of trade routes of Gujarat & Rajasthan.

⁸³ P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u>./I, p.219.

^{84 &}lt;u>APrJLS</u>, p.33.

Bosari and Pūtani. In the second record of AD 1251,85 Ambira's son from his second wife, śresthi Amsiha got the image of Śri Adinatha installed, consecrated by Śri Amaracandra Sūri, disciple of Nemisūri. The family history is again provided in considerable detail.

Another important family seems to be that of sresthi Asadeva. Two records of his family are recovered from Velara, near Abu. The first record of AD 1208 mentions the construction of an idol by Āsādeva, along with his son Jāngu and Jāngu's wife Thiramati, his grandson Gāhad and Gāhad's wife Sāhitu and great grandson Ajesāla. The second record of the same year provides an elaborates history of Āsādeva's another son, Dhāndha's family. It mentions Dhāndha's wife Jiṇadevi and their 5 sons and grandsons. The inscription records the work of religious benefaction by the family.

The family of śreṣṭḥī Bāhāti, resident of Gundoch, again appears an important one from their two records - one from Vimala vasahi and the other from Lūṇa vasahi, Abu. Śreṣṭḥī Bāhāti's grandson śreṣṭḥī Bhāi (son of śreṣṭḥī Bhānu) got the image of Śri Śāntinātha, consecrated by Padmadeva sūri, installed at Vimala vasahi⁸⁸ and a Devkulika at Lūṇa vasahi.⁸⁹

The above examples show different branches of the same family, in all the three cases, getting their donations recorded. This indicates an elaborate and proliferating family structure among the Dharkatas. Family being the core unit of

⁸⁵ <u>APrJLS</u>, p.34.

⁸⁶ APJLS, p.117; P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u>/I, p.221.

⁸⁷ APJLS, p.117; P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I/</u>I, pp.220-1.

^{88 &}lt;u>APrJLS</u>, p.52.

⁸⁹ APrJLS, pp. 116-117.

economic activity, such development indicates an elaboration and proliferation of the economic networks of the Dharkatas in the period.

The most prominent person of the lineage appears to have been mantrī Yaśovīra, son of Śri Udaya Singh and Udaya Śri. He was the minister of the Chauhan king, Udaisingh. His inscription at Vimalavasahi of AD 1188⁹⁰ mentions that he got a devakulika made for his mother's welfare and that he was a follower of Śri Yaśodeva Sūri, disciple of Śri Devacandrasūri of Śri Sanderaka gaccha. His Lūna vasahi record of AD 1234⁹¹ describe him as 'Kavīndra bandhu' which prove Someśvara's description of him as a great poet in Kīrtīkaumudi. Mantrī Yaśovīra's is the best example of a person of this lineage acquiring positions of eminence in the power structure. It indicates the possibility of emergent differentiation in the lineage.

After AD 1251, Dharkata vamsa does not find any mention and since the disappearance of a thriving lineage cannot be describe as a decline, it appears to be most probable that they merged with another lineage.⁹³

Ш

PRĀGVATAS

The origin of the Pragvatas lies most probably in Rajasthan from the town of Śrimālā or Bhinmal. It is said that they were formerly people of gujjara tribe who came to India with Kaniska and settled in the eastern part of the Śrimālā town in

⁹⁰ <u>APrJLS</u>,pp.58-59.

⁹¹ <u>APJLS</u>, p.146.

P.V.Somani, Jaina Inscriptions..., p.218.

D.R. Bhandarkar, op.cit., See Note 76.

the Marvar. As they were inhabiting the eastern side of the town, they were called Pragvatas. He is also said that they originated from Pragvata country and since lineages have often taken the names of their places of origin, the Pragvatas came from here. H. Jacobi believed that the Pragvatas as a caste were created by Haribhadra Sūri who converted a number of families to Jainism at Chittor. It is also contended that the name Pragvata is derived from 'Pragvatapura', a place on the Ganga or from Padmavati Nagara (Parava). However, the most likely place of their origin appears to be Śrimala in Marvar since the Bijoliya inscription of AD 1169⁹⁸ ascribe there mythical origin to Śrimala - Pattana. Also Ninnaya of Pragvata vamsa who belonged to Śrimala, was asked to come to Anahilawada by Vanaraja. Se

The earliest reference to the Pragvata Jati is found in the Indragadh inscription of Nannappa of AD 711¹⁰⁰ in the Mandasaur district of Madhyapradesh. The purpose is to record the construction of a Śiva temple by the Paśupata ascetic Danaraśi and the endowments made to it by Deuillika, Takshullika and Bhoginika, daughters of Kumara of the Pragvata Jati. The endowment included a house near the street in the western part of the Indragadh fort.

⁹⁴ V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina Community...</u>, p.88.

⁹⁵ Karanbel inscription, CII, Vol IV, pp.636-644, refers to Pragvata country, also called Medapata.

⁹⁶ R.V. Somani, <u>Jaina Inscription</u>..., p.60.

V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina Community</u>..., p.88.

⁹⁸ E.I., 26, pp.84-102.

⁹⁹ V.K. Jain, <u>Trade and Traders...</u>, p.234.

¹⁰⁰ E.I., 32, pp.112-117.

Another reference to the Paravada Jati occurs in the inscription from Bhilsa of AD 878¹⁰¹ in Gwalior state of Madhyapradesh. It records the grant of an endowment of periodic income (akshaya-nivika/akashayanika) made to the temple of Bhillasvāmi (probably Visnu) by vanikśri Haṭiyāka, son of Chāchchhiāka. The endowment consisted of income from three vīthis (Vīthi means either a market, stall or shop) One vīthi was purchased by Haṭiyāka from vanik Vuvāka and fetched a rent of 13 or 130 Pañchiyaka-dramma. This was granted in favour of God Nārāyana. The second vīthi belonged to a vanik as well and the third to Govinda. The second was situated at Khahanasithi/probably a market place and earned a rent of 50 pa. The third earned 40 pa. The two vithis were granted in favour of the mother-goddesses for the merit of Haṭiyāka's parents.

Apart from the two inscriptions from Madhyapradesh, the other inscriptions belong to the 12th 13th and the 14th century and are spread all over Gujarat and Rajasthan (See table for the spread and contents of the records).

12TH CENTURY RECORDS OF THE PRAGVATAS

Year	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1143/1174	Ratanapura, Jodhpur	In a Siva temple, this inscription records the prohibition of killing of animals on certain days by the order of Punapaksa Deva. This order made public by Putiga and Saliga, sons of Susrāvaka Subhankara, resident of Nadol and of the Pragvata Vamsa.	Peterson, <u>B.I.</u> , pp.205-7.
A.D. 1153	Kiradu, Marwad	Same as above	ibid., pp.172/173.

E.I., 30, pp.210-215. Sircar considers Paravada to be the same as Por or Porwal caste & cites Bhandarkar's list, no.287.

A.D. 1154	Ganesara, Gujarat	A Prasasti of Vastupala and Tejahpala that records the pilgrimage of the two brothers and the temples, stambhas, devakulikas, images and tanks constructed by them. Vastupala is referred to as 'Caulukya-Tilaka-Amatya' and 'Mahamatya'. It also provides a family genealogy of the two, starting from their ancestor Candapa. The family appears to be an aristocratic one. They were residents of Anahilapura and close to the Caulukya-Vaghelas.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.83.
A.D. 1158	Palanapura	Śresthi Poona Abhayadasaha, resident of Kheemant, son of Devaya and grandson of śresthi Asadeva and Damati, got the image of Śri Mahavira installed.	ibid., p.171.
A.D. 1161	Nadol, Jodhpur.	It records a donation by Maharaja Alhanadeva of Naddula and gives the genealogy of the grantor who belonged to the Cahamanas. The duta of the grant was mantri Laksmidara, son of Dharanigga, of the Pragvata vamsa	E.I.,9,pp.62- 66.
A.D. 1164	Falodi, Marwad.	A grant made to the Caitya of Śri Pārśvanātha by Mahaim Dāsadh.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.221.
A.D. 1170	Bijholi, Udaipur	Records the erection of a temple of Pārsvanātha by sresthī Lolāka. The inscription starts with the genealogy of the Cahāmana of Sakāmbhari and then proceeds to the genealogy of Lolāka's family. His ancestor Vaisravaṇa built temple at Tadāga-Patana and Vyaghreraka. His son was Chāchchula, grandson was Subhamkara and great grandson was Jasata. Jasata's son Punyarāsi built a temple at Nārāṇaka and had two wives and four sons. They constructed temples at Naravara. Of the four, Desāla had six sons who erected a temple at Ajayameru. Of the six, Siyāka, and ornament of the Śresthins, had two wives and five sons, one of which was Lolāka. Lolāka had three wives, Lalitā, Kamalāśri and Laksmi. The religious preceptor of Lolāka is Jinacandra Sūri	E.I., 26, pp.84-112.

13TH CENTURY RECORDS OF THE PRÁGVATAS

Year	Place	Donor and Purpose	Reference.
A.D. 1210	Abu	It mentions certain repairs & additions to the temple of Adinatha by Vastupala & Tejahpala, residents of Anahilapura. It gives the genealogy of their family, whose ancestor was Candapa, his son Candaprasad a and grandson Asvaraja. Latter's wife was Kumaradevi and they had four sons: Mantrī Luniga, mantrī Malladeva, Mahamatya Vastupala and Tejahpala. Tejahpala had seven wives. Then the genealogy of the Caulukyas and the Paramaras is provided. The text then returns to the family of Vastupala. It then mentions Tejahpala's wife Anupamadevi's family at Candravatī. Her ancestor was Modi Ganga who had a son Dharaniga, whose daughter was Anupamadevi. She had a son Lavanyasimha. This temple was built by Tejahpala for the merit of his son and wife. Also mention is Vastupala's son Jaitrasimha.	Peterson, <u>B.I.,</u> pp. 174-184.
A.D. 1230	Abu	Records the construction of the Neminatha temple by Tejahpāla for the merit of his wife Anupamādevi and son Lavanyasimha, consecrated by Vijayasenasūri. Also provides the genealogy of Tejahpāla's family; of the Caulukyas; of the Paramaras; and the lineage of the spiritual preceptors of Vastupāla - Tejapāla's family. The latter belonged to the Nāgendragaccha and their names in chronological order were: Mahendrasūri Santisūri, Anandasūri, Amarasūri, Haribhadrasūri, Vijayasenasūri and Udayaprabhasūri. Inscription No.2. records the regulations for the festivals connected with this temple and for the protection and maintenance of the building. During the festival, the ceremonies were to be performed by the Srāvakas of Candravatī, namely the Prāgvatas, the Uesavālas, the Śrimālas and the Dharkatas. These were associated with Umbaranīkīgrāma, Sarauligrāma, Kāsahradagrāma, Bhrāhmaṇā, Dhauligrāma, Mundāsthala and Phīlinīgrāma; and the towns of Hadaudā and Dāvāṇī and Sāhilwādā.	E.I., 8, pp.200-222; alsosee Peterson, B.I., pp.218-224 for inscription number 2.
A.D. 1231	Abu	Inscription nos. III-XVIII, record the construction of the Neminatha temple by Tejahpala & the erection of the shrines, images of Jinas & tirthankaras by the same for the religious merit of various members of his family.	E.I., 8, p.223-226,
A.D. 1233	Abu	Inscription numbers XIX-XXIII, record the same as above.	E.I., 8, p.226,

A.D. 1236	Abu	Inscription numbers XXIV-XXXI, record the same as above.	E.I., 8, pp.227-229.
A.D. 1240	Abu	Inscription number XXXII, record the same as above.	ibid., p.,229.
A.D. 1254	Dabhoi	Records the building or the restoration of a Śiva-Vaidynātha temple by Viśāladeva. Also provided is the eulogy of the Caulukya - Veghelas. It mentions that the son of Candasimha, of the Pragvata Vamsa, was the Saciva of the fort of Vaidya Sitri.	E.I., I, pp.20-32.
A.D. 1258	Ghogha, Kathiawad	Installation of the image of Śri Pārsvanātha, consecrated by Śri Yasobhadra Sūri, by Śresthi Gāndhī, son of śresthī Sapāta, grandson of śresthī Āmdeva. Yasobhadra Sūri belonged to the Candra Gaccha.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , p.184.
A.D. 1263	Ghogha, Kathiawad	Installation of the image of Śri Rsabhadeva, consecrated by Śri Mahīcandra Śūri of the Raņkā gaccha, by Vya. Jālā, wife Māthī son of Vya. Vīradatta.	ibid., p.184.
A.D. 1274	Barlut, Sirohi	Records the construction of the Manasimha Viralia by Raja Abhata. It then mentions the construction of additional structures in the same by sresth? Padmasimha, son of Delhana & Paumsiri, along with his sons, grandsons and relatives belonging to the Pragvata and the Umsevala Jatis. The persons whose names are mentioned are sresth? Pahada and Pragvata Vya. Vatsaraja, son of sresth? Pahada and Pragvata Vya. Vatsaraja, sons of vya. Sarana; Jasu, wife of Jasara of the Chakresvari-gotra, brhadgaccha and Umsevala Jati, and her sons; and Savadha, Gunapala and Mohana, sons of Pragvata Dhanadeva. The building was consecrated by Gunabhadra Suri of the Brhadgaccha	E.I., 36, pp.36-38.
A.D. 1277	Kiradu, Mewad	Records the Installation of the image of Srl Śentinātha by Sā. Jhauna, of the family of Mahaim Sajana & Mahaim Tejāh, for the merit of his mother Kapūradevi.	P.C. Nahar, J.I., II, p.234.
A.D. 1294	Sirohi	Sreethī Padma, wife Mohini and son Vijayasīha, son of Punasīha & Jālu, grandson of sreethī Sajana and Hālhū, got the Image of Jina made.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.269.

14TH CENTURY RECORDS OF THE PRAGVATAS

Year	Place	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1301	Northern Gujarat	Records the installation of an image by sresthi Samayaka.	E.I., 2,p.25.
A.D. 1318	Posina, Bharuch	Installation of the image of Śri Mahāvīra by śreṣṭḥī Bohād on the askance of Śri Jinabhadra Sūri. His son Brahmādeva got a shrine made at the Neminātha temple, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri. Brahmādeva's younger brother Sāranadeva, wife Suhāvadevi and sons, got a saptatīrtha made on the askance of Śri Parmānanda Sūri.	P.c. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.199.
A.D. 1321	Ajmer	Installation of image Śri Śāntinātha, consecrated by Śri Mahendra Sūri, by Mahaim Kāndhā & son Mālhā	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I,p.127.
A.D. 1321	Vimalavasahi, Abu	Records the repairs done to the temple by Laliga & Vijada. It also records that the temple was constructed in V.S. 1088 by Vimala, the dandapati at Abu. Mentions the genealogy of the Paramaras and the family history of the two men who repaired the temple. Laliga was the son of manrti Nedha whose younger brother was the Vimala mentioned above. Their father was Lahadha. Lahadha's father is referred to as one who belonged to the Śrimala Kula and was an ornament of the Pragvata Vamsa. Also mentioned is Jnanacandra Sūri, who consecrated the repaired temple, of the Dharmaghosa gaccha.	E.I., 9, pp.148-158.
.A.D. 1322	Satrunjaya	Construction of a tonk by Thakkura Vayajaladeva & his son Valia, consecrated by Tilaka Suri of the Maladhari gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.161.
A.D. 1334	Kiradu, Mewad.	Installation of the Image of Srl Parsvanatha, consecrated by Sri Surl of the Purnima Gaccha, by Sa. Dhina, wife Devala & son Chamiya.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> , II, p.235.

A.D. 1353	Sirohi	Śresthi Jagmāla, wife Suthālā and sons, son of śresthi Mahānā and Kapur, got a Mahāvīra caitya constructed, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri, disciple of Śri Naracandra Sūri of the Kacholivala gaccha.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.265.
A.D. 1380	Jaipur	Sresthi Moja, son of sresthi Goha and Lalata, got the image of Sri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnaprabha Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.26.
A.D. 1383	Śatrunjaya	Sah. Bigīra got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Devacandra Sūri of Tapagaccha	ibid., pp. 176-7.
A.D. 1390	Śatrunjaya	Sādā, son of Dhanasonāha and Haṃsālā, got the image of Śri Ajitanātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri of the Nāgendra Gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.162.
A.D. 1397	Śatrunjaya	Image of Śri Ādinātha installed by Āsā, consecrated by Śri. Abhayacandra Sūri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.303.

The 15th century saw an even greater proliferation of the number of inscriptions with the concentration in places like Marvar, Nagaur, Ajmer, Sirohi, Jaiput, Abu and Satrunjaya. This spread indicates that the network of the Pragvata Jati extended all over Gujarat and Rajasthan. This expansion coincided with the economic climate of the period in the region. (see table for the concentration, Abu and Satrunjaya to be discused in Chapter 3):

See Appendix for details.

TABLES SHOWING THE CONCENTRATION OF THE PRAGVATAS IN CERTAIN CENTERS IN THE 15TH CENTURY

1. At Nagaur

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1438	Pāthā, son of Sahasā and Sitā, grandson of Vya Sādā and Bhādi, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Sarvānanda Sūri of Pūrnimāpakṣa gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.46.
A.D. 1450	Lāsā, wife Lāsāṇa, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Śri Kakkā Sūri, son of Śri Siddhācarya of the Ueśa Gaccha	ibid., p.47.
A.D. 1453	Sā. Jesā, wife Raņi and brother Jāmā and wife Hīru, son of Sā. Gogan and Sādū, got the image of Dharmanātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnasāgara of Tapagaccha	ibid., p.49.
A.D. 1455	Śresthī Sahasa's wife Dhīrā got the image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnaśekhara Suri, disciple of Śri Somasundara Suri.	ibid., p.49.
A.D. 1462	Sā. Lasmāṇā, wife Mārgā and son Jasvīra, son of Keśava and Bholi, got the image of Śri Śāntinātha made, consecrated by Śri Lakśmisāgara Sūri of Tapa gaccha.	ibid., p.51.
A.D. 1470	Sresthī Hararāja, wife Amāri, and son Samādhara, wife Nāi, got the image of Śri Kunthunātha made, consecrated by Śri Siddha Sūri, disciple of Śri Devagupta Sūri of Upakeśa gaccha.	ibid., p.61.
A.D. 1473	Sa. Mamana, wife Manik, son of Rada and Aghu, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Lakşmisagara Suri.	ibid.; p.54.
A.D. 1477	Sresthī Soma, wives Deusu and Vānari and brother Bhoja, got the image of Śri Sambhavanātha made, conscrated by Śri Lakṣmisāgara Sūri of Tapa gaccha.	ibid., p.61.
A.D. 1488	Sa. Bhima, wife Hemi, son of Sa. Ratna and Maghu, got the image of Śri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Śri Suri.	ibid., p.63.

2. At Ajmer

		
Year	Donor and purpose	Reference
A.D. 1423	Image of Padmaprabha, consecrated by Śri Somasundara Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , f, p.127
A.D. 1441	Vya. Vela, wife Virāni, son of Vya Bhima and Bhavalā, grandson of Vya Dhīrā and Dhirālā, got the image of Śri Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Somasundara Sūri	ibid., p.129.
A.D. 1459	Sresthi Jinadasa, son of sresthi Naga and Aji, grandson of sresthi Daudha & Harasu, got the image of Sri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Devaratna Suri	ibid., p.130.
A.D. 1463	Sa. Mauna, wife Rangu, son of Sa. Hira and Hira, grandson of Sa. Jayapala and Vasu, got the image of Śri Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Śri Lakṣmisagara Suri.	ibid., p.125.
A.D. 1467	Sresthī Padma, wife Pahrti, son of Siva and Sobhāgini, grandson of śresthī Soma and Srhūlā got some work done.	ibid., p.126.
A.D. 1469	M. Hima and son Baija got the image of Śri Neminatha made, consecrated by Śri Jinaratna Sūri.	ibid., p.126.
A.D. 1489	Vya. Rūpa, wife Depū and son Mera, wife Hirū, got the image of Śri Vasupūjya made, consecrated by Śri Sūri.	ibid., p.131.

3. At Sirohi

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1424	Śresthī Ṣoṣā, wife Pranaldevi & sons, son of śresthī Develasīha, grandson of śresthī Setasīha, got a work of religious merit done on the askance of Śri Ratnasimha Sūri, disciple of Śri Jayatilaka Sūri, disciple of Śri Abhayasimha Sūri, disciple of Bhattaraka Śri Ratnakara Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.272.

A.D. 1450	Vya. Bhāda, wife Ālhū & sons Jāvada and Bhoja, son of Vya. Ghanāsi & Linvi, and Vya. Sānda, wife Banik and son Kānha and grandson Jonā, son of Vya. Jhagada & Meghā got the image of Śri Śātinātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnākara Sūri, disciple of Śri Jayacandra Sūri, disciple of Śri Munisundara Sūri, disciple of Śri Somasundara Sūri,	ibid., p.265.
A:D. 1462	Vya. Koha, wife Kamala and sons Nalha & Hida, got the image of Sri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Sri Gunasagara Suri of Kacholivala gaccha and Purnima Paksa	ibid., p.277.

4. At Jaipur

Year	Donor & Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1456	Sāh. Gorāle, wife Rājū, son of Sā. Lasmana and Sādhū, got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnaśekhara Sūri.	P.C.Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.34.
A.D. 1473	Sā. Nātha, son of Sā. Pālda and Pālhaṇ, grandson of Sā. Siva and Sampūri, got the image of Munisuvratasvāmi made, consecrated by Śri Lakṣmisāgara Sūri.	ibid., p.30
A.D. 1473	Sresthī. Semprāsū, wife Sīchū, son of Kānha and Sanvālā, grandson of sresthī Narasimha and Nāmālā, got the image of Sri Neminātha made, consecrated by Sri Lakṣmisāgara Sūri	ibid., p.30.
A.D. 1475	Vya. Deva, wife Devala, son of Pata and Vaoon. grandson of Vya. Mamala and Kani, got the image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri. Punyaratna Suri	ibid., p.27
A.D. 1477	Vya. Parvata, wife Bharami, son of Vya. Alha and Desu, got the image of Sri Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri disciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri	ibid., p.30

Originating probably in Marvar, the Jati shows a considerable concentration in the region indicating their operational base. The Keradu inscription of AD 1153¹⁰³ records the prohibition of killing of animals on certain days. This was promulgated by Putiga and Saliga, sons of Śravaka Subhakara, resident of the city of Nadrola. Another inscription records the restoration of the temple of Jayaditya by Mahamatya Vastupala for the merit of his wife Mahamsri. This record also provides some family history. Vastupāla's parents were Thakkura Śri Āsārāja and Thakkura Śri Kumāra Devi. Āsārāja's elder brother was Thakkura Śri Soma and their father was Thakkura Śri Candaprasada. Candparasada's father was Candapa of Patan. 104 Another records from Medta, Marwar, mentions the image of Munisuvrata, consecrated by Śri. Ratnaśekhara Sūri, installed by Sa. Dungara and his wife Jasali, son of Tira and Viri. Also mentioned are Tira's brothers. 105 Records of similar vein are found here dated AD 1457, 106 AD 1473, 107 AD 1495 108 and AD 1499. 109 That there were several local bases is suggested by other areas of concentration evident from the inscriptions, shown in the table above.

That the merchants formed a community active in economic areas is suggested by the regular use of titles like <u>Sadhu</u>, <u>Śresthi, Vyavahāri, Mahaim</u> etc. Further, almost all the places of concentration appear urban or at least different.

¹⁰³ Peterson, pp.172-3.

¹⁰⁴ P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u>/II,pp. 166-7.

¹⁰⁵ P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u>/I, p.187.

ibid., p.178.

ibid., p.246.

ibid., p.188.

ibid., p.183.

from a rural base, in nature and are located on the trade routes passing through the region. At the same time, the Prāgvaṭas are found associated with rural bases as well as like Umbaranīkīsaraulagrāma, Brahmaṇā, Ghauligrāma and Dāhaḍgrāma. All these factors attest to a growth of intra- regional and inter-regional networks of the merchant lineage in the centuries that must have integrated the region, both economically and politically.

The political aspect is highlighted by the evidence of the association of several families of this lineage with centres of power. This development brought some families into focus, for on account of proximity to power, their influence and wealth grew leading to a noticeable differentiation within the lineage. This is not to say that these merchants were not already affluent but the administrative titles granted a status unlike that gained from sheer economic strength.

One of the earliest families to come to prominence is that of Srāvaka Subhānkara, resident of Nadol. His son Putiga and Saliga obtained an order from king Kumārapāla to ban the slaughter of living things. There are two inscriptions recording the same deed. Though the family does not find mention in later record, it appears that they occupied some place of importance in the contemporary set up as the order was passed at the request of the two brothers. Nadol was the seat of power of the Cahamanas of Nadol.¹¹¹

Related to Nadol, another important person of the Pragvata vamsa is Mahamatya Laksmidhara, son of Dharnanigga. He is the duta of the grant of AD 1161 that records a donation by Maharaja Alhanadeva of Naddula. 112

¹¹⁰ E.I., 8, pp.219-222.

¹¹¹ Peterson, pp. 172-3, pp.205-207.

E.I., 9, pp.62-66.

Bijoliya rock inscription of AD 1170 gives the outlines of the family of śresthī Lolā of the Prāgvaṭa vaṃsā. It mentions the mythical origins of the Prāgvaṭas. Its object is to record the erection of a Pārsvanātha temple by Lolāka. Lolāka's family genealogy is provided in considerable detail, preceeded by that of the Cahamanas of Sakāmbhri and Ajmer. Lolāka's ancestor was Vaisravaṇa who built Jaina Temples at Tadāga-Pattana and Vyaghreraka. His son was Chāchchula and grandson was Subhāṃkara. Subhāṃkara's son was Jaisāla whose son was Punyarāsi. The latter built the Nārāṇaka temple. He had two wives, 4 sons and 8 grandsons. They erected a temple at Ajmer. Of the grandsons, Siyāka was an ornament of śresthins and he built a temple as well. He had 5 sons of which one was Lolāka. The elaborated genealogy, the building activities, the number of wives and the elaborate family structure give the impression of wealth and possible wide economic network.¹¹³

The most prominent family of this Jati was that of Vastupāla and Tejahpāla who were ministers of the Vāghela chiefs and also served Caulukya Bhima I. The inscription on Lūṇavasahi, Mount Abu of AD1230¹¹⁴ provides a variety of information. It is the praśasti quite similar to the <u>Sukṛtakirtīkallolini</u> of Udayaprabha Sūri. It starts with the genealogy of the Caulukya kings, followed by that of Tejahpāla's family, then the Paramaras of Abu. After this the text returns to Tejahpāla's family and on to the Candrāvatī branch of the Prāgvaṭas to which his wife Anupamā Devi had belonged. Finally there follows the lineage of the spiritual preceptors of the Vastupāla-Tejahpāla family. It appears from the study of the record that, though residents of Aṇahilawāda, this family is associated with Candrāvatī and Abu. Aṇahilawāda was the seat of power of the Caulukyas and Candrāvatī of the Paramars and the family was close to both. Tejahpāla is described as the chief among the ministers. His family appears to be an

¹¹³ E.I., 26, pp.86-120.

E.I., 8, pp.200-229; also V.K. Jain, <u>Trade...</u>, Chapter 9,10.

aristocratic one with almost all the anscestors, Candapa, Candaprasada & Aśvaraja etc. holding some position of eminence in the power structure. Vastupala was appointed as the governor of Cambay and then rose to be the Mahamatya, a position to which Tejahapala succeded him. Various works of religious and charitable benefaction were undertaken by this family that involved massive expenditure, which proves the affluence of the family. The Candravatī branch of Dharaniga, father of Anupama Devi appears important and prosperous as well. Of this family, many members like Raniga, Lunasingha, Jagsingha and Ratnasingha had 'mantri appended to their names indicating that they probably held respectable positions under the Paramaras.

The Vimalavasahi record of AD 1321¹¹⁵ records the repair of the temple by Lāligā and Vījada for the welfare of their parents. It gives information about another distinguished Prāgvaṭa, dandapati Vimala who was appointed by Bhima, and probably rose to be Nrpati. The inscription starts by stating that the temple was erected by Vimalā in the year V.S.1088/AD 1031. It then goes on to the genealogy of Cahamanas of Naddula to which belonged Vijada (one of the donors). Lāligā belonged to the family of Vimalā i.e. he was the son of Vimalā's brother Nedha.

The information gathered about this lineage attests to its wide networks and its prosperity on account of the patronage extended by it to various activities. Many families of the lineage became close to royalty as their titles suggest. Like the <u>Dharkatas</u>, the shift to Jainism is noticed early. The 14th and 15th centuries see the emergence of stratification trends with the gotras and gacchas of the families finding mention.

¹¹⁵ E.I., 9, pp.148-157.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade</u>..., Chapter 10.

ŚRIMĀLAS

The Śrimālas originated from Śrimālā or Bhinmal in Marvad. There are various theories of their origin, the myth being that Lord Viṣṇu created 90,000 baniyas, to maintain 45,000 brahmins, to please Lakśmi. The baniyas were created out of her garland. Some scholars trace their origins back to the 8th century on the basis of a stanza in the prasasti of Kālakācaryakathā of AD 1308 which states that Śrāvaka Didā of Śrimālā caste constructed the caitya of Ādinātha in AD 647 at Navahara. Also according to the Śrimālā genealogy merchant Toda of Bhradvāja gotra and Śrimālā caste was addressed by a Jaina saint is AD 738. However, other texts of the period like Samarāiccakahā and Upamitibhāvaprapancakathā do not mention any caste though they refer to vaniks quite frequently. It appears that the residents of the town of Śrimālā were converted to Jainism and this caste came up.

The earliest reference to the Śrimāla kula comes from the Mount Abu Vimalavasahi inscription of AD 1321. The inscription is to record the repairs done to the temple by Laliga and Vijada. Laliga was the son of mantri Nedha, whose brother was dandapati Vimala (who constructed the temple under study in AD 1031), in the service of Bhima I. Nedha and Vimala's father was Lahada whose father is described as belonging to the Śrimala kula of the Pragvaţa vaṃsa. This inscription is important for the status- information it provides about the family members but its real usefulness lies in its proof that the Śrimalas and the

V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina community</u>..., p.87.

K.C. Jain, Jainism in Rajasthan, p.100.

¹¹⁹ E.I. 9, p.148-158.

Pragvatas were probably linked at an early date and proliferated into separate lineages later.

Another fragmentary record engraved between AD 1160-1173 from Dholka¹²⁰ records the construction of Udayana-Vihara by mantrī Udayana's son mantri Vagbhaṭa. From the text it is clear that Udayana was of Śrimāla lineage and a minister of Jayasimha Siddharaja.¹²¹ His other sons, Āmbaḍa's valorous deeds and charity works, and Dhavala are also mentioned. The impression is of a prominent family that is well-placed.

A Jalor inscription of Ad 1182¹²² mentions the construction of a mandapa of Rsabhanātha by devout śrāvaka, śreṣṭhī Yaśovira, ornament of the Śri Śrimāla vaṃsa, who was assisted by the members of the goṣṭhika and his brothers Yaśorāja and Jagadhara in the effort.

The 13th and 14th century records of this lineage are found at Satrunjaya and Mount Abu. (Implications to be discussed in Chapter III).

The 15th century records like those of the Pragvatas show a wider expansion of this lineage. Concentration is evident in places like Sirohi, Mevad, Jaipur, Ajmer, Abu, Satrunjaya, and Palitana. These records are all religious in nature, recording the construction of images and <u>devakulikas</u> by the merchants. (See table for details).

¹²⁰ E.I., 35, pp. 89-94.

Puratanaprabandhasamgrahap.32-34.

¹²² E.I., 11, pp. 52-54.

See Appendix for detail.

TABLES SHOWING THE CONCENTRATION OF THE SRIMALAS IN CERTAIN CENTRES IN THE 15TH CENTURY

1. At Sirohi

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1460	Śresthī Bhāma, wife Sāhī, son Golhā, and grandson Pāhirāja got the image of Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Puṇyaratna Sūri of Pūrṇimā Pakṣa.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.277.
A.D. 1467	Sāhita, son of Kalu and Kunthī, grandson of Dharakana and Dhāraṇā, got the image of Neminātha made, consecrated by Vimala Sūri of Brahmāṇiya Gaccha	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.278.
A.D. 1470	Śresthi Joga, wife Siri and son Hema got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Dhanaprabha Suri of Madhukara Gaccha	ibid., p.276.

2. At Kiradu, Mewad

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference	
A.D. 1434	Sa. Jaga, son of Sa. Uda, got an image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Śri Jinasagara Suri of Kharatara gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.236.	
A.D. 1434	Sā. Samudrapala, son of Sā. Hemarāja, grandson of Sā. Dhāma and Ilhā and great grandson of Sa. Baham, got an image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Jinacandra Sūri, disciple of Śri Jinasarva Sūri	ibid., p.242.	
A.D. 1460	Sa. Baduas and his son and grandson got the image of Ajitanatha made as asked by Rajatilaka Suri.	ibid., p.237.	

3. At Jaipur

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1434	Migha Manik Ratna, son of Sa. Salibh and Raju, grandson of Sa. Mana and Rash and great grandson of Sa. Sama and Kamala, got an image of Sri. Suparsvanatha made, consecrated by Somadundara Suri of Tapa gaccha	P.C. Nahar <u>, J.I.</u> , II, p.34.
A.D. 1447	Sā. Samudhara, son of Sa. Sādhāraņa got an image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Haimhansa Sūri, disciple of Śri Pūrṇacnadra Sūri of Tapa gaccha.	ibid., p.27.
A.D. 1450	Sa. Bhoja, wife Sasu and son Nena and his wife Phula got an image of Sri Dharmanatha made,consecrated by a Suri of Palligaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.135.
A.D. 1454	Sresthi Kiyāk, son of Śresthi Mekunāsi and Nāu, got an image of Adinātha made consecrated by Municandra Sūri of Brahmāna gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.41.
A.D. 1464	Sresthi Bhojaka wife Bhali, son of Sresthi Dharma got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Suvihita Suri.	ibid., p.32.
A.D. 1471	Sa. Sinaraja, son of Sa. Desa, got the image of Śreyansanatha made, conseracted by Śri Jinatilaka Sūri of Satara Gaccha	ibid., p.29
A.D. 1473	Manrtī Samādara and Śreya's son Bīkā got an image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Candraprabha Sūri, disciple of Gunadeva Sūri of Pippala gaccha	ibid., p.41.
A.D. 1476	Sīmā, son of Sā. Māman and Līlā, got the image of Supārsva made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Sūri of Kharatara Gaccha	ibid., p.30.
A.D. 1477	Sresthi Jaga, wife Nathi, son of Vanar and Taku, grandson of Sresthi Candesvara and Kamaku, got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri of Caitra Gaccha	ibid., p.30.
A.D. 1488	Mahaim Sahasakirana, wife Lalana, son of Jiva and Ramai, grandson of Mahaim Ghoghal and Akai, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Siddhantasagara Suri of Ancala gaccha	ibid., p.31.

4. At Ajmer

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1449	Sresthi Champa, wife Chapala and sons sresthi Bijagha, Vigha, Vira/wife Shama, POuna got an image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.125.
A.D. 1458	San. Rama, wife Shāni and son Sagaka got the image of Sri Abhinandanatha made	ibid., p.129.
A.D. 1463	Sresthī Saranga and Mavāku's son Laiya and grandson Gaiya got the image of Śri Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Udayavallabha Suri	ibid., p.125.
A.D. 1474	Sa. Gola, wife Karmi and son Narabadena, son of Sa. Joga and Jivani, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Sadhusundara Suri.	ibid., p.131.

A new development is the mention of the <u>gotras</u> and the <u>gacchas</u>, with the prominent <u>gacchas</u> being Purnimapaksa, Brhat tapa <u>gaccha</u>, Agama <u>gaccha</u> and Caitra <u>gaccha</u>.

A point of difference that emerges from a study of this lineage is that the shift to Jainism can not be established clearly, as in the case of the Dharkatas and the Pragvatas. This is probably for want of inscriptions from an earlier period. The picture, otherwise, is in keeping with that of the other groups. There is an indication of the expansion and interaction of this lineage at the inter and intraregional levels. Brisk economic activity is suggested by the various titles used by the merchants, denoting their different economic roles and the patronage extended by them that must have involved great expenditure.

OSVĀLAS

Osvālas, also known as <u>Uves</u>, <u>Uuveśwāla</u>, <u>Upakeśa</u>, <u>Uswāla</u> etc. trace their origin to the town of Osia in Rajasthan. Osia is an ancient site and was an important centre in the early medieval period. It appears that it was ruined by famines and its residents who migrated to other places came to known as Osvālas. According to tradition, the raja of Osia nagara was converted to Jainism by Ratnaprabhasūri by a miracle in which the latter revived the raja's dead son. The raja then converted to Jainism with all the residents of Osia and these came to be known as <u>Osvālas</u>. The date for this appears to be 400 yrs before Vikram Era. According to another tradition dated V. 222, some residents of Srimala left the town with a prince of Srimāla to settle at Osa and consequently came to be called Osvālas. However, the first case appears most likely. The date of their origins cannot be placed before the 10th century on the basis of P.C. Nahar's study, <u>Jaina Inscriptions</u>. 126

R.V. Somani cites two inscriptions that provide some information as to the date of their origin. The Nadlai inscription of AD 1500 records that Chauhan Lakhan (10th century) of Nadol had a queen of Mahājana caste and his offsprings came to be known as <u>Bhandāris/Osvālas</u>. ¹²⁷ An AD 1530 inscription from Satrunjaya of Karmāshah of Chittor states that Ammāraja has a queen who was of Mahājana caste. Ammāraja became the disciple of Bappabhatta Sūri in the

¹²⁴ R.V. Somani, <u>Jaina Inscription</u>..., p.56.

V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina Community</u>..., pp.83-84.

P.C. Nahar, J.I/III, Introduction.

¹²⁷ R.V. Somani, <u>Jaina Inscriptions...</u>, p.57.

ibid., p.57;E.I, 2, p.42.

8th century and his descendants came to be known as Kothari/Osvalas.

The earliest reference to the Osvālas is an AD 1208 inscription from Marwad¹²⁹ that records the construction of a <u>stambha</u> by Māyā. His wife was Rājmatī, and he was the son of śreṣṭhī Pārsva and Dulhevi. Also mentioned are the names of his four sons.

Another record from Juna veda, Marwad, AD 1292 records the construction of the image of Parsvanatha by Janasiha, son of śresthi Velhu and Demāla. 130

The 14th century sees the expansion of the lineage from Marwad to Alwar, ¹³¹ Jaipur, ¹³² Bikaner, ¹³³ Nagaur ¹³⁴ in Rajasthan and Satrunjaya ¹³⁵ in Gujarat. (See table)

¹²⁹ P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u>/I, p.221.

ibid., p.245.

ibid., p.274.

ibid., p.97.

¹³³ P.C. Nahar, J.I/II, p.71.

ibid., p.45.

A.P. Shah, Some Inscriptions & Images on Mount Satrunjaya, p.166.

14TH CENTURY RECORDS OF THE OSVALAS

Year	Place	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1314	Śatrunjaya	Sangapati Sadhu Desala, son of Ajada, along with his family members (of Vesata Gotra) setup and image of Saccikadevi. Desala was the younger brother of Asadhara and Lunasimha. Mantri Samara Simha, known for his 13th Century restoration at Satrunjaya, was one of his sons.	A.P. Shah, "Some inscriptions and images on Mound Satrunjaya", in <u>Sri Mahavira Jaina Vidyalaya goldern Jubilee Volume</u> , Bombay, 1989, p.166.
A.D. 1321	Alwar	Sa. Khimbghairsirapala and sons got the image of Śri Śantinatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.274.
A.D. 1323	Bikaner	Sresthi Dehākama, son of - and Mosāla, got the image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Śri Kakka Sūri, son of Śri Kukudācarya	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.71.
A.D. 1347	Jaipur	Sa. Chaduk, son of Sa. Jaj and Brahma, got the image of Rsabha made, consecrated by Śri Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.97.
A.D. 1357	Śatrunjaya	Vya. Pālahaņa's grandson got the image of Mahāvira made.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> . p.300.
A.D. 1368	Nagda, Mewad	Sa. Karaka, wife Hema, son of Sadhu Sri Ramadeva and Malhanadevi, got the images of 7 Jinas established, consecrated Sri Jina Sagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.244.
A.D. 1396	Nagaur	Śresthi Kelha, son of Śresthi Bada and brother of Kumarapala and Depala, got the image of Śantinatha made, consecrated by Jinavardhana Suri of Kharatara gaccha	ibid., p.44

A Śatruńjaya record of AD 1314 is particularly significant for it mentions Sanghapati Sādu Desāla who along with his elder brothers Āsādhara and Luṇasimha set up an image of Saccikādevi here. His son Samarasimha was a mantrī. This record proves the rise to prominence of certain families of this lineage, as in others mentioned earlier, and consequent differentiation.

ibid., p.166.

The 15th century sees numerous records of the Osvālas at Nagaur, Marwad, Jaipur, Jodpur, Ajmer, Bikaner, Sirohi in Rajasthan; and Palitana and Satrunjaya in Gujarat. Of these, Nagaur stands out in term of maximum concentration of inscreptions (See Table Below).

TABLE SHOWING THE CONCENTRATION OF OSVALAS AT NAGAUR IN THE 15TH CENTURY

Year	Donor and Purpose	Reference
A.D. 1401	Jesa, wife Jasma, got the image of Candraprabhasvamai made, consecrated by Dharmadeva Suri, disciple of Dhanadeva Suri.	P.C.Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.45.
A.D. 1433	Sa. Jesa, wife Jasu and sons Poma and Sana, son of Sa. Ajiya, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Jayakirti Suri of Ancalagaccha	ibid., p.46.
A.D. 1436	Sa. Megha, wife Anupama, son of Sa. Taha and Karma, got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Amaracandra Suri	ibid., p.46.
A.D. 1436	Sa. Puja, son of Sa. Vaham, got the image of Śri Vira made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri	ibid., p.46.
A.D. 1438	Sa. Mongrasi, wife Dalha, son of Sa. Mandalik and Fadaku, got the image Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Jinasagara Suri of Kharatara gaccha	ibid., p.,46
A.D. 1439	Vya. Udharana, wife, Depu, son of Vya. Śaka and Campu, got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Dharmatilaka Suri of Bokamiya gaccha	ibid., p.46.
A.d. 1444	Sa. Vita and son Sa. Dhana and grandsons got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Jinasagara Suri of Kharatara gaccha	ibid., p.47
A.D. 1452	Sā. Mahīpāla, wife Rupī and sons Tejā and Vāstā got the image of Pārsvanātha made. consecrated by Jinabhadra Sūri of Kharatara gaccha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.48.

A.D. 1452	Sā. Sunāka son of Sā. Giriurāja and Sugunā and grandson of Sā. Lūna got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Kakkā Sūri of Upakesa gaccha	ibid., p.48.
A.D. 1452	Parvata, son of Pārasa and Pālhaṇa and grandson of Pāsad and Jainālā and great grandson of Sā. Kursi got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Kukudācarya's son Kakkā Suri.	ibid., p.48.
A.D. 1452	Sa. Māka, son of Sa. Hāta and Rāngā, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sadhu Suri	ibid., p.48.
A.D. 1454	Shāh Thakursi, wife Janu, son of Shah Āsā and Āhvide got the image of Ādinātha made consecrated by Saradeva Sūri of Koranta gaccha	ibid., p.48.
A.D. 1455	Sa. Devella, Haṇsa and Pasadeva, sons of Sa. Suhana and Sona and grandsons of Sa. Teja got the image of Sumatinatha made consecrated by Kakka Suri of Upakesa gaccha	ibid., p.49.
A.D. 1456	Sa. Maha, son of Ranamala and Ratna and grandson of Sa. Vuhath and Vahana got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Kamalaprabha Suri of Brhat gaccha	ibid., p.50.
A.D. 1456	Sa. Bharahu, son of Sa. Hammu and Sehmai and grandson of Sa. Bhuchara and Saru got the image of Vimalanatha made consecrated by Somasundara Suri of Rangpalliya gaccha	ibid., p.60
A.D. 1460	Sā. Nāgaraja, wife Navalāna and sons, son of Suhāma and Guṇapālasri got the image of Sreyānsnātha made, consecrated by Somasundara Sūri	ibid., p.50
A.D. 1470	Tavaja, wife Ahāla and son Niba and his wife Maṇi got the image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri of Ancala gaccha	ibid., p.60
A.D. 1475	Sa. Ratnapala, son of Sa. Pahiraja and Palhana and grandson of Sa. Sohil and Marhagi got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Punya Suri	ibid., p.54

A.D. 1476	Sha. Deda, son of Sha. Kheta and Khetaśri, got the image of Abhinandananatha made, consecrated by Guṇanidana Sūri.	ibid., p.54.
A.D. 1477	Ma. Kanha, wife Hima and sons got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Punyavardhana Suri of Tapa gaccha	ibid., p.55.
A.D. 1477	Samarasimha, son of Bhapacha and Pallhana, got the image of Śreyansanatha made, consecrated by Jincandra Suri of Satara gaccha	ibid., p.54.
A.D. 1477	Sa. Kharah, wife Nivini and sons, son of Sa. Nugacha got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri of Kharatara gaccha.	ibid., p.55.
A.D. 1477	Shā. Vikā, wife Vikāla and son Kesava, son of Shā. Chāham and Harāku, got an image of Vimalanātha made, consecrated by Lakṣmisāgara Sūri of Dharmagoṣa gaccha	ibid., p.60
A.D. 1477	Sha. Thaha, wife Suhaga and son Delha, son of Sha. Jesa got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri of Kharatara gaccha	ibid., p.60
A.D. 1478	Sa. Chanuth, wife Mayalaha and son Mūla, son of Sa. Jhanjha got the image of Padmaprabha made, consecrated by Devagupta Sūri	ibid., p.55.
A.D. 1489	Sa. Simha, wife Singara and son Vinijha got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Devagupta Sūri.	ibid., p.56.
A.D. 1495	Thakkurasiha, wife Girsu, son of Mā. Sahejā and Kelhi got the image of the Ādinātha made, consecrated by Jināsundara Suri of Vrddhatapa Pakṣa	ibid., p.56
A.D. 1498	Sha. Śravaṇa, wife Saliga, son of Sha. Sahasa and grandson of Shah Pagarīsha got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Gunasundara Suri of Harsapuriya gaccha.	ibid., p.56.

All these places show great concentration and all records almost always carry titles denoting their activities (Sresthi, Mahaim, Sadhu and Sahu). (See appendix and

above table for details) The <u>gotras</u> and <u>gacchas</u> find frequent mention in the record of this century indicating greater proliferation and stratification. Those that find frequent mention are Kakadiya, Vapana and Googliya <u>gotras</u> and Sri Sandera, Tapa and Upekesa <u>gacchas</u>. 137

While the association with the urban centres is quite clear from the records, the Osvals are also found to be associated with rural bases like Sāhilvādā and Kāsahradagrāma. 138

From the records it appears that this lineage though getting scant mention in the earlier centuries surpass other groups in the 14th and 15th century. It is so because they probably assimilated various other lineages like the <u>Dharkatas</u> and the <u>Sonis</u> in the proces of their evolution and expansion. Osvālas are a thriving community today also in the field of business.

VI

The picture from the inscriptions is corroborated to a large extent by the texts of the later phase of the early medieval western India. Set more specifically in the region and drawing characters from among the prominent merchants of the region, the economic situation is more realistically presented by these texts.

The <u>Dvyāśrayakāvya</u> of Hemacandra¹⁴⁰ refers to the vaiśyas as

For details see Appendix.

¹³⁸ E.I., 8, pp.219-222.

D.R. Bhandarkar, op.cit., p.29.

¹⁴⁰ Dr. S.P. Narang, Delhi, 1972.

<u>Dhānyamaya</u> because the main occupation was to measure grain although they were engaged in trade also. The <u>Kiritikaumudi</u> refers to curd sellers and their shops in the town of Cambay. Prabandhacintāmani speaks of ordinary traders who sold gram. Abhidhānacintāmani speaks of wine sellers and sea traders who were called <u>samyatrikah</u> and <u>potavanik</u>. Sonis or Suvarnavaniks and <u>ausadhikās</u> are mentioned in the <u>Kumārapālacarita</u>. Also mentioned are merchants who accompanied the armies on march.

The titles used frequently like <u>Śresthi, Seth, Sārthavāha, Sādhu, Mahājana</u> indicate differences in occupation of various merchants.

A <u>sresthi</u> was a big merchant who managed the exchange of goods between town and country, was influential in both and often lent money to other merchants and farmers. The term is often translated as denoting a banker.

A seth again is often to denote a prosperous merchant or/and a banker.

A <u>Sārthavāha</u> is to denote a vanik but is specifically used to refer to a caravan leader. He was the guide of a caravan and was often the richest and most influential of the traders. Sārthavāhas often came back laden with riches and on account of that occupied an influential position in society. The texts cited

ibid., p.183.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, p.217.

¹⁴³ Tawney, p.106.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders</u>...., p.218.

ibid., p.218.

ibid., p.,218. These were probably the banjaras whose job was to arrange civil supplies for the soldiers.

already make this amply clear. <u>Trisastisalākāpurusacarita</u> refers to a rich Anangadeva, the son of a Sārthavāha, Samudrapāla, who gave alms to the beggars and was praised by the bards. The same text refers to Vasanta, a wealthy caravan leader who was bestowed upon a kingdom of Tāpasapura by the king who was very pleased with his gifts.¹⁴⁷

The terms <u>Sadhu</u> refers to resident merchants as against the <u>Sarthavahas</u> who travelled from place to place, and merchants who did not act as bankers (<u>śresthi</u>).

That the merchants, though wealthy and influential in the early periods (as shown by the texts), rose to high positions at the courts and in the society of the time is more clearly evident from the texts of the later period. In the Nirvāṇa Lilāvati Kathā, 148, the king Vijayasena has a śreṣṭhī Purandara and sārtha Dhāna among his close friends. 149 Kīrtīkaumudi and Vasantavilāsa are based on the achievements of Vastupāla of the Prāgvaṭa vaṃsā who was a merchant minister. So is the play Hammīramadamaradana that describes the strategy adopted by Vastupāla in repulsing the Muslim attack on Gujarat. Along with these texts, the Vastupāla-Tejahpāla Prabandha in Prabandhakośa 150 and in Purātanaprabandhasamgraha 151 and their prasastis by Jayasimha 152 and

ibid., p.221.

Written by Jinesvara Suri in the 11th century.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade and Traders...</u>, p.222.0.

Ed. Jinavijayamuni, SJS No.6, pp.101-13.

Ed. Jinavijayamuni, SJS No.2, pp.53-71.

¹⁵² Ed. C.D. Dalal, GOS, No.10, pp.58-56.

Udayaprabha Sūri¹⁵³ provide information about the status and role of the two brothers, both in administrative and religious fields. They were important and powerful ministers during the reigns of Vaghela Lavanaprasāda and Vīradhavala. It appears they were at the court of Bhima II of Anahilavada as his ministers and were sent to Vīradhavala at the latters request. 154 The prasastis also furnish their family history which appears an aristocratic one. Their ancestor Candapa is described as the foremost among ministers who was the ornament of the capital of Gujarat. 155 Others in the line like Candaprasada, Soma and Asvaraja also appear to have been holding some position of importance. 156 Aśvarāja's wife and Vastupāla-Tejahpāla's mother Kumāradevi was the daughter of a Pragvata vanik, Abhu, who was a dandapati. 157 The Prabandhakosa states that Vastupala was the governor of Cambay. 158 He was later appointed as Mahamatya (chief of ministers), a position to which his brother Tejahpala succeded to after his death. 159

From the texts, it also appers that these merchants excelled in military aspects as well, like Vastupāla's victory over Muslim Said in Gujarat¹⁶⁰ and Tajahpāla's victory over Ghughula, the chief of Godhrā who used to plunder

ibid., pp.69-90.

Vastupala-Tejahpala Prasasti, pp.62-63; similar information in Sukrtakirtikallolini, pp.69-90.

ibid., p.62.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, p.238.

ibid., p.238.

Prabandhakosa, p.102.

Sukrtakirtikallolini pp. 69-90.

Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.56.

merchants and pilgrims. 161

The texts also provide some information about the religious inclinations of The Sukrtakirtikallolini 162 which is an eulogy of the pious deeds the merchants. of Vastupala and Tajahpala states that they were followers of the Nagendra gaccha and gives the lineage of their spiritual preceptors. Through the religious lectures of Vijayasenasuri, disciple of Haribhadra Suri, the two began works of religious benefaction and patronage to Jaina scholars. Vastupala established bhandaras in Anahilavada, Cambay and Broach 163 and extended patronage to Naracandra Suri and Narendraprabhasuri who composed Katharatnakara and respectively. 164 Puratanaprabandhasamgraha Alamkaramahodadhi probably compiled by Jinabhadra Suri for the pleasure of Vastupala's son Javantasimha. 165 Vastupala himself composed a number of stotras and suktis and was therefore known as 'Kurcala sarasvati' (Sarasvati with a beard). 166 The prabandhas ascribe literary feats to other members of this family too. 167

The <u>prasastis</u> refer to the building activities of the two brothers which include an Indramandapa on Mount Satrunjaya with the temple of Parsvanatha and Neminatha on either side; a torana on the temple of the Mount Satrunjaya; the temple of Stambhaparsvanatha and Neminatha on Mount Girnar with images of

Prabandhakosa p.107.

¹⁶² pp. 69-90.

Prabandhakośa, p.129 & Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.65.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...,p.244</u>.

Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, Introduction, p.8.

ibid., p.55.

Prabandhakośa, p.120 & Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, pp.63-70.

their ancestors; a tank at Palitana and Drkapalekha; a temple at Dholka and the Panchasara temple at Anahilvada; restored many temples and built <u>sattaras</u> (almshouses) and <u>pausadasalas</u> (places for meditation); and the Abu temple of Neminatha. The <u>Prabandhas</u> tell us that enormous wealth was spent on these work indicating the prosperity and influence of these merchants. 169

Apart from the family of Vastupāla-Tejahpāla, texts contains numerous references to other prominent merchants, high up in the administrative ladder, as well. Prabandhacintāmani mentions the sister of a merchant of Kakara village performing the tilaka ceremnony at the coronation of Vanaraja. Also he had sresthī Jamba as his Mahāmātya. He invited a merchant Ninnaya from Srimālā to Anahilvada who was probably his prime counsellor. Ninnaya's son Lahara became a dandapati. In the same family was born mantrī Vīrā who had two sons, Nedha and Vimalā. Nedha was a mahāmātya and his son saciva Dhavala served Karna and Siddharāja. Dhavala's son Ānanda was a mantrī of Siddharāja and Kumārapāla. Ānanda's son Pṛthvipāla was a mantrī of Kumārapāla. Mantrī Vimalā was the dandapati of Abu and built the Vimalavasahi temple there.

Vastupala - Tejahpala Prasasti, pp.58-66 & Sukrtakirtikallolini, pp.69-90.

Prabandhakosa, p.129.

Prabandhacintamani, p.17.

¹⁷¹ ibid., p.17.

V.K. Jain <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, p.234.

Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.52.

V.K. Jain <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, pp.234-5.

Pattavali of Kharataragaccha, IA, XI, p.248. Also see Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.52.

Both <u>Prabandhacintamani</u> and <u>Puratanaprabandhasamgraha</u> mention vaniks Munjala, Santu, Sajjana and Udayana who were ministers and officials. Munjala and Santu were mahamatyas of Karna and assisted Siddharaja in defeating Yasovarmana. Sajjana was the dandanayaka of Saurastra and built a temple of Neminatha. His two brothers Amba and Dhavala were also officials. 178

The Mantrī Udayana <u>Prabandha</u> mentions Udayana as a vanik of Srimāla vaṃsa bemonging to village Vaghara in Marvad. He came to Karnavatī and became rich and was made a minister. He looked after the administration of Laṭa and rose to become the Governor. Udayana's son Vagbhaṭa was a mahamātya and his half-brother Āmbada was a mantrī.

The <u>Jagaducarita</u> revolves around a merchant Jagadu who restored the walls of his town and did much to alleviate the famine conditions of his region. He got the Bhadresvara temple repaired and it is even stated that he had mosques built for local Muslims.¹⁸¹ Vimala, apart from getting Vimalavasahi constructed, erected temples at Kumbhariya.¹⁸² Udayana built Udayanavasahi temple at Karnavati while Santu founded a temple at Pattana.¹⁸³

Prabandhacintamani, p.86 & Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.31.

ibid., pp.95-96.

Puratanaprabandhasamgraha, p.34.

ibid., pp.32-34.

Prabandhacintamani, pp.120-123.

V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, p.247.

Purātanaprabandhasamgraha, p.52.

¹⁸³ V.K. Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, pp. 245-6.

Thus, the texts provide considerable information to support the picture formed from the inscrptional study in the previous section: in terms of the wealth, status (both social and political), and religious inclination and activities of the merchant families. Yet, the limitation of just the textual information is the heroic and eulogistic tone used in them to describe only a few prominent merchants, not the whole lineages. Inscriptions and the texts taken together, as we have, overcome this to a large extent.

Chapter III

QUEST FOR STATUS: THE MERCHANT FAMILIES IN THEIR SOCIO-CULTURAL AND POLITICAL ROLES

The previous chapter showed the coming into prominence of the merchant lineages in the early medieval western India. They were not only affluent and influential but some families and or individuals amongst them acquired great fame on account of their proximity to royalty and works of religious and charitable benefactions. A point of particular interest that appeared from the study is the shift from the extension of religious patronage from Brahmanism to Jainism by these lineages.

This chapter, in the light of the shift, aims to present a hypothesis about the ascendant lineages probably trying to enhance their status in the contemporary social situation through various means. These included forming a network of alliances with comparable groups, as the Rajputs were trying to do in the same period, this will be outlined in section I; imitating various symbols of royalty and getting close to the ruling elites in various capacities, this will be dealt with in section II; and most importantly, through acts of religious patronage and through association with the important religious leaders, in the same way as royalty derived legitimacy from religio-spiritual leaders. This will be looked at in section III.

Status in the Indian context is ritual, economic and political. The ritual status of an individual or his group, according to the Brahmanical schema of society, is related to the four fold <u>Varnāsramadharma</u> system, In this schema, the Brāhmaṇās, Kṣatriyas, Vaisyas and Śūdras are provided with an all encompassing set of norms and duties to live life by. The picture is one of a closed system marked by rigidity and lack of mobility. Since the poor classes are said to have

come from the mouth, the arms, the thighs and the feet of the Creator, their origins and probably their status are ascribed to a divine origin and consequently well defined. Yet, in the case of the Vaisyas, particularly traders and merchants, who traditionally belonged to the third rung of the social ladder after the Brahmanas and the Ksatriyas, there is an apparent contradiction between the hierarchical view and the obvious vigor of this community. There resulted a dichotomy between their ritual status on one side and economic and political on the other. While in the case of the Ksatriyas, the ritual status often originated and was affirmed further by their political power; the Vaisyas, particularly the wealthy ones, suffered ritualistic constraints.

These contradictory trends are evident right from the early historical period. The Rayeda, refers to the third position of the Vaisyas and their birth from the thigh of Purusa. The Satapatha Brāhmana refers to them as tributary and to be lived on by others, to be oppressed at will and to be dispossessed by the king of his land. The Tāndya Brāhmana and the Taittiriya Samhita state that the Vaisyas were to be eaten by the two upper varnas because they were inferior. The texts are replete with such references. At the same time, Dharmasūtras like Apastamba and Vasistha mention the concept of Āpāddharma, whereby artisans, brahmanas and ksatriyas in emergent times could earn their livelihood by adopting the profession of trades. Manu provides them the right to perform Vedic sacrifices.

V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina Community....</u>, p.64.

² Purusasukta hymn, <u>Rgveda</u>, Xth Mandala.

³ A.K.Miśhra, <u>Trading Communities...</u>, p.66.

⁴ ibid., p.66.

⁵ ibid., p.65.

⁶ ibid., p.73.

During the post-vedic period the position of the vaisvas underwent considerable change in society due to the introduction of the iron and rapid development of industry, trade and commerce. Vaisyas underwent occupational changes, often taking to trade and consequently emerging economically prosperous. The situation during the Mauryan and the post-Mauryan period changed even more significantly with trade and commerce reaching its zenith and the influx of foreign trade. Manu says that the vaisyas must have the knowledge of the excellence and defects of commodities, the advantages and disadvantages of different countries, the probable profit and loss on merchandise and the means of properly rearing the cattle. Here we find that the reference to cattle-rearing comes last. Further we come across the injunction that the Vaisyas must have a knowledge of the proper wages of servants, must be acquainted with the various languages of men, with the manner of keeping goods, and with the rules of purchase and sale. The knowledge of various languages and advantages and disadvantages of different countries and profit and loss are clear indication of rapid development of trade and commerce among the Vaisyas during this period.⁷

The heterodox sects, which rose in the sixth century B.C., again provided privileges to the trading and communities which made the latter much inclined towards these sects and patronise them, in particular Buddhism and Jainism. Mahavira in the <u>Acaranga Sutra</u> says that food from vaisyas etc. could be considered acceptable.⁸

As a result of these developments, there emerged two broad categories among the vaisyas themselves. The members of the higher group were engaged in trade and commerce or were big agriculturists and were well-organised,

⁷ ibid., pp.67-71.

⁸ bid., p.73.

economically prosperous, enlightened and often subscribed to heterodox ideas. They also commanded a higher social status. Those of the lower group were confined more to agriculture and other activities, as against trade, and were often bracketed with the sudras. Trade and the consequent accumulation of wealth, thus, contributed to a kind of stratification.⁹

Echoes of these trends are found in later periods as well. The late ancient and the initial phase of the early medieval period was marked by a not so flourishing trade and commerce and urban centers. What emerged was a closed, self-sufficient economy marked by a sense of strong localism. A simultaneous development was the annexation and incorporation of new tribes and castes into the existing varna system through conquests and land grants, making it a period of proliferation and fragmentation of varna and caste system. Consequently, it led to an unequal distribution of land and power on a large scale and created new social groups and ranks. The vaisyas became increasingly more dependent on land and suffered a reverse in their socio-economic position and status. However, with the revival of trade is the 9th-10th centuries, particularly in Gujarat and Rajasthan on account of their favaourable location on the western seaboard and the passage of major trade routes through them, the position of the merchants improved as is evident from the ascendancy of the merchant lineages in this region.

This ascendancy was accompanied by a marked proliferation of religious patronage by these groups and the shift of this patronage from Brahmanism to Jainism. It could be because Brahmanism accorded a relatively inferior status to this community. Jainism, on the other hand is not concerned in dividing the society into classes. The division was effected by the people with a view to facilitate their living. The classes were not hereditary but they were based on the ways of life.

⁹ ibid., p.69.

It naturally follows that as a class is composed of persons observing a particular mode of life, if that mode is changed a person has automatically to change his class. There was no restriction to change the class. On the contrary it was for each person to decide in what class to enter. Jainism has enjoined upon a person to perform fifty-three rites (i.e., Kriyas) in his life and among those the 18th rite is that of Varna-labha, i.e., getting into a class. After completing his education and marriage ceremony, a person should apprach some leading members of the class and requestion them to admit him into their class. The leaders also reciprocate his wishes and allow him to get into their class. Thus admitted he attains the same status as that of others. This is what is known as Varnalabha Kriya. The society as envisaged by Parsvanatha, Mahavira and other Acharyas was a society wherein classes were not watertight comparatments and complete freedom was granted to the people to change to the class of their own aptirude. The society was not divided into distinct separate sections and no differentiation was made in the status of the classes. All were considered as different ways of life and utmost importance was attached to individual character and mode of behaviour. There was no room for anybody to feel that he was neglected or degraded as he was free enough to follow any profeswsion he liked and he could observe all religious rites and practices along with othgers. It is important to note that Brahmana, Ksatriya, Vaisya and Sudra were the main divisions and nowhere in ancient literature even a mention has been made of the castes existing as at present in the Jaina community. The caste system is a comparatively later development in the Jaina community and it appears that the castes might have arisen from the former four classes. 10

Consequently, the merchants, not happy with their status in the traditional belief system, gravitated towards the religion that was gaining sway in the region and was more conducive to the new developments experiences by the early

V.A. Sangave, <u>Jaina Community...</u>, pp.67-68.

medieval Gujarat and Rajasthan. Also the Jaina Munis required the support of those, other than the royalty, in both social and economic terms. They wooed the merchants with their encouragement to trade and literary activity and the assurance of greater respectability.

I

We would start with a look at the formation of network of alliances by the merchant lineages with comparable groups in the region.

The earliest indication of such alliance is evident from an A.D. 642 record from Sekhavati, Jaipur, of the Dharkatas and Dhūsaras. It records the construction of a mandapa of Sankaradevi by a gosthika of 11 śresthīs/vaniks. They belonged to either lineage and came together for the work of religious benefaction, an alliance that probably existed for economic purposes also.¹¹

This development is exibited most prominently by the merchants of the Pragvata jati. The family of Vastupala and Tejahpala, the ministers of the Caulukya - Vaghelas are the best example. Their A.D. 1210 record from mount Abu, which mentions the repaires done to the temple of Adinatha by the two, provides a genealogy of their family and that of Anupamadevi, wife of Tejahpala, at Candravati. The family of Vastupala and Tejahpala appeared to be an aristocratic one. Their ancestors held positions of eminence at various levels. Vastupala has been described as the governor of Cambay who rose to be the Mahamatya of the Vaghelas, a position to which his brother Tejahpala succeeded after his death. The family of Anupamadevi appears to be an influential one of Candravati. Her father held an important position at the court of the Paramaras and other family members have the title 'mantri' appended to their names indicating respectable positions.

¹¹ E.I., 27, pp.27-33.

The marital relation between the two families indicates aliance formation between two prominent family.¹²

Another record of A.D. 1274, which records the construction of Manasimha vihara by Raja Abhata, mentions the construction of the additional structure in the same by śresthi Padmasimha, son of Delhana and Paumsiri, along with his sons, grandsons and relatives belonging to the Pragvata and Umsevala jatis. The persons whose names are mentioned are śresthi Pahada and Pragvata Vya. Vatsaraja, son of śresthi Bohadi, Kumarasimha and Lakhana, sons of Vya. Sarana; Jasu, wife of Jasara oif the Charesvari-gotra, Brhadgaccha and Umsevala Jati, and her sons; and Savadha, Gunapala and Mohana, sons of Pragvata Dhanadeva. This proves close relations not just within the lineage but among the lineages as well. 13

In the similar vein is a record from Vimalavasahi, Abu of A.D. 1321. It records the repairs done to the temple by Lāligā and Vijāda. Also mentioned is that the temple was constructed in V.S.1088 by Vimalā, the Daṇḍapati at Abu. He was an ancestor of Lāligā. His elder brother was mantrī Nedha. Their father was Lahada and their grandfather is referred to as one who belonged to the Śrimāla kula and was an ornament of the Prāgvata vaṃsa. This indicates the possibility of alliances between the two lineages that probably proliferated in later periods or/and continued their relations.¹⁴

Among the Śrimalas, the family of Dandapati Vimala as mentioned above, is a case of example. The family of seth Yasovira, son of seth Yasodeva, that is

Peterson, <u>B.I.</u>, pp.174-184.

¹³ E.I., 36, pp.36-38.

¹⁴ E.I., 9, pp.148-158.

mentioned in the inscriptions of A.D. 1182¹⁵ records the construction of a mandapa by the former in which he was joined by his brothers as well as the members of the gosthika. This suggests the association of merchants/individuals that were of similar backgrounds and status for religious and often economic purposes, like that of the Dharkatas and Dhūsaras mentioned above.

Among the Osvālas, the family of Sanghapati Sādhu Desāla, son of Ajada, in the record of A.D. 1314, ¹⁶ comes to notice. The inscription records the setting up of the image of Saccikādevi by the family. Desāla was the younger brother of Asādhara and Lūnasimha, personages that were prominent in the period, and the father of mantrī Samarasimha. From this, it appears that members of a prominent family often held various positions of importance. Eg. the family of Vastupāla-Tejahpāla, the Candrāvatī branch of the Prāgvaṭas; and the family of mantrī Udayana of the Śrimāla vamsá.

With time, the lineages proliferated internally and regionally. They were marked by appearance of <u>gotras</u> and <u>gacchas</u>. This development indicated a more definite crystallisation of these lineages. They probably inter - married and interacted within the lineage and formed stronger networks of alliance within the lineage.

These developments of the evolution of a definite identity of these lineages, marked by close alliances, could be interpreted as a quest for status.

¹⁵ E.I., 11, pp.52-54.

A.P.Shah, "Some Inscriptions...", in Sri Mahavira..., p.166.

Such quest, if taking place, was assisted by the imitation of the various symbols of royalty and proximity to the ruling elites by the various lineages.

The most obvious imitation was the practice of getting <u>prasastis</u> written by the prominent merchant families of the region in the period. The fact that the Prasastis were composed at all, furnished with full details of the family, is in itself an indication of a probable quest for status. Otherwise they could have been anonymous. Vastupāla-Tejahpāla are among the most prominent of the merchants of the period who got prasastis written. The <u>Sukrtakīrtīkallolini</u>, the <u>Vastupāla-Tajahpāla Prasasti</u> and various inscriptions of these individuals are high-flown eulogies of the families.

The <u>Sukṛtakīrtīkallolini</u>, ¹⁷ composed by Udayaprabha Sūri the religious preceptor of Vastupāla, eulogises the pious deeds of Vastupāla and Tajahpāla. It was composed on Vastupāla's pilgrimage to Satrunjuaya and is inscribed on the Indramandapa erected by him. It starts with the description of the Caulukyas of Gujarat and moves on to the family of the two. Their ancestor was Candapa, his son was Candaprasāda devoted to the Jina. His wife was Jayaśri and two sons were Sura and Soma. Soma's wife was Sitā and their son was Āśvarāja. Āśvarājas wife was Kumāradevi and they had four sons and seven daughters. Of the four sons, Lūniga was the eldest, then mantrī Malladeva, his younger brother was Vastupāla endowed with great intellect and younger to him was Tejahpāla. Vastupāla and Tejahpāla are praised for their appreciation of literary works and charitable activities. Also mentioned is the lineage of the spiritual preceptors of the two brothers who followed the Nāgendra gaccha. Through the religious lecture of Vijayasena Sūri, the two brothers undertook various works of religious benefactions

In Hammiramadamardana, Appendix III, pp.69-90.

like getting temples, tanks, mandapas, images and devakulikas constructed and repaired. The <u>Vastupāla-Tejahpāla prasasti</u>¹⁸ provides similar information.

The inscription of A.D. 1154¹⁹ from Ganesara is also of similar nature. Vastupala is described as 'Caulukya-Tilaka-Amatya' and 'Mahāmatya'. The A.D. 1210 record from Abu becomes even more detailed with the genealogies of the Paramaras of Abu and the Candravatī family of Anupamādevi, wife of Tejahpala, also provided along with the genealogies of the Caulukyas and the Anahilapura branch of the Pragvatas.²⁰

From these records it appears that the family was close to the royalty, both at Anahilapura and Candravati. The adoption of titles and the mention of the genealogies of the royal families is an attempt to indicate respectability.

Another example is provided by the Bijoli inscription of A.D. 1170.²¹ This records the erection of a temple by śresthi Loláka. The inscription starts with the genealogy of the Cahamana of Sakāmbhari and then proceeds to the genealogy of Loláka's family. His ancestor Vaiśravaṇa built temples at Tadāga-Pattana and Vyaghreraka. His son was Chāchchula, grandson was Subhāmkara and great grandson was Jasata. Jasata's son Punyarāśi built a temple at Nārāṇaka and had two wives and four sons. They constructed temples at Naravara. Of the four, Desāla had six sons who erected a temple at Ajayameru. Of the six, Siyāka, an ornament of the Śresthins, had two wives and five sons, one of which was Lolāka. Lolāka had three wives, Lalitā, Kamalāśri and Lakshmi. The religious preceptor

¹⁸ In ibid, Appendix I, pp.58-66.

¹⁹ P.C.Nahar, <u>J.I</u>, II, p.83.

²⁰ Peterson, <u>B.I</u>, pp.174-184.

E.I., 26, pp.84-112.

of Lolaka was Jinacandra Suri.

Along with the prasastis, the merchants families attempted to garner important positions both at the administrative and the ministerial levels. Among the Dharkatas, the name of mantri Yaśovira stands out. He was at the court of the Cahamana ruler Udai singh and a follower of Sanderaka gaccha. He is also described as 'Kavidra Bandhu'. ²²

The Pragvata lineage saw many of its members joining official service. The earliest reference is to brothers Putiga & Saliga of Nadol. These appear to be important people since their inscriptions state that the orders to ban the killing of animals were issued at their special request. Another family of Nadol, is that of Pragvata Sukarma who was the minister of Chauhana Alhanadeva. In Ninnaya who got the vimalavasati built at Abu was the dandapati of Bhima. Ninnaya who was asked to come to Anahilavada was one of the prime counsellors of Vanaraja. His son Lahara acted as a dandapati. This particular family supplied a long line of officials to the Caulukyas. One such person was Vira who was a mantri in the reigns of Mularaja, Camundaraja, Vallabharaja and Durllabharaja. His sons, Nedha (a mahamatya) and Vimala (dandapati, mentioned above) were prominent people. Vimala probably rose to be Nrpati, a designation that is fully royal. Nedha's son Dhavala was a saciva of Karna. Dhavala's son Ananda rose to become a mahamatya and his son Prithvipala was a mantri of Kumarapala.

²² <u>APrJLS</u>, pp.58-59; <u>APJLS</u>, pp.146-7.

²³ Peterson, <u>B.I</u>, pp.172-3.

²⁴ R.V.Somani, <u>Jaina Inscriptions...</u>, p.211.

²⁵ E.I., 9, pp.148-158.

V.K.Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, pp.234-5.

The family of Vastupāla - Tajahpāla has already been mentioned above. Their mother Kumāradevi, was the daughter of Vanik Ābhu, who was also a dandapati Tejahpāla's wife Anupamādevi father Dhārnig was an important and prosperous person of Candrāvatī. His brothers Rāniga, Lūnasingha, Jayasinhga and Ratnasingha had 'mantī' appended to their names.²⁷

Among the Śrimalas, the family of mantri Udayana supplied minister to the Caulukyas. He was a mantri of Jayasimha Siddharaja. His son Vagbhata is also referred to as a mantri, who became a mahamatya. His brother Ambada, was also a minister.²⁸

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The most important and widespread activity, other than economic, of the merchants in this region appears to be the acts of religious patronage. The inscriptions which form the bulk of source material of our study are religious in nature. This development could be interpreted as an attempt by the merchants to acquire a higher status socially through religious activities.

The origin myths of the lineages show the importance of Jainism in their evolution and growth. According to the texts, the Śrimalas who originated from Śrimala/Bhinmal in Marwad were converted to Jainism by Ratnaprabha Suri in Saka 700.²⁹ The Osvalas, similarly, were established as a cast by Ratnaprabha Suri in Samvat 70 according to the Nabhinandanoddharaprabandha and the Upakeśagacchacarita. The Bhatas attribute their establishment to the same Suri

²⁷ Peterson, <u>B.I</u>, pp.174-184.

²⁸ E.I., 35, pp.89-94.

K.C.Jain, <u>Jainism in Rajasthan</u>, p.100.

in V.E. 222.³⁰ The Dharkatas and the Pragvatas had also shifted to Jainism by the 10th-11th centuries. The fact that the lineages were non Jaina at some point and converted to Jainism hints at some motive underlying the development.

Moreover, the merchants extended generous patronage to Jainism. It involved the construction of temples, stambhas, devakulikas, idols, tanks, rest houses as the inscriptions show. This aspect was again more manifest from the 11th-12th centuries, marked by frequent and widespread endowments of this nature and almost always by the traders as is indicated by their used of titles such as Śresthī, Sādhu/Sāhu, Mahaim Vyarahārin, Vanik/Vaniksri etc. The purpose of these endowments is always for the merit of the donor, his family or his ancestors.

Among the Dharkatas, A.D. 922 record from Rajorgarh mentions the construction of Santinatha temple by Saradeva.³¹

A.D. 1183 record from Abu records the installation of the image of Sambhavanatha, consecrated by Santi Suri by a number of people of the Dharkata vamsa. 32

A.D. 1188 record, again from Abu records the installation of the image of Parsvanatha, consecrated by Śri Simha Sūri, by Śresthi Āmbhīra. Another record of the same year mentions the construction of a Devakulika by mantrī Yaśovira for the merit of his monther, consecrated by Śri, Yaśodeva Sūri of

ibid., p.94.

K.G.Sharma, Early Jaina Inscriptions of Rajasthan, p.92.

^{32 &}lt;u>APJLS</u>, p.123.

³³ APrJLS, p.33.

Sanderaka gaccha.³⁴ Probably the same mantrī Yasovira got a devakulika constructed at Abu for the welfare of his father in A.D. 1234.³⁵

A prominent family appears to be that of sresthi Bosari and his grandson Amsiha/Ambira where the latter got the image of Śri Parsvanatha and Śri Adinatha constructed in A.D. 1188³⁶ and A.D. 1251³⁷ respectively. (For other families, see Appendix).

Among the Pragvatas, the same trend was evident on a wider scale, for this lineage had an expansion spanning many centuries and over all of Gujarat and Rajasthan. Certain families stand out by the frequency of their donations or the extent of their patronage. One of the earliest is that śravaka Śubhankara of the city of Nadol. His sons Putiga and Saliga ensured the security of lives of the animals on certain sacred days. They find mention in another record from Ratanpura where the holder of the Ratanpura Chowrasi ordered his subject to refraim from killing any animal on the last day of the month by their order. 39

The Bijholi rock inscription of A.D. 1170 gives the genealogy of the family pof one Vaiśravana of the Prāgvata Vamsa. Vaiśravana built a temple to Jina at Tadāgapattana and other places. His great grandson Punyarāśi built another temple at Nārānaka. Of his four sons, Lakshmate and Desāla built a temple at Naravara. Desāla's six sons erected a Vardhamāna temple at Ajmer. One of

³⁴ <u>APrJLS</u>, pp.58-59.

³⁵ <u>APJLS</u>, p.146.

³⁶ <u>APrJLS</u>, p.33.

APrJLS, p.34.

³⁸ Peterson, <u>B.I</u>, pp.172-3.

ibid., pp.205-7.

them Siyaka built a Neminatha temple and his son Lolaka constructed the Parsvanatha temple which the present inscription records.⁴⁰

Vimala, dandapati of Bhima I, erected the Vimala Vasahi at Mount Abu in 1031⁴¹ and also erected others at Kubhariya on the Arasur hill.⁴²

The works by the family of Vastupala and Tejahpala have already been outlined and extended all over-Anahilavada, Stambhatīrtha, Dholka, Śatrunjaya, Palitāṇa, Stambhana, Girnar, Dabhoi and Abu. Sources also refer to the lavish wealth spent in all these activities.⁴³ (for other families, see Appendix)

The Śrimalas show an extensive and widespread partonage to Jainism as well. However, the 14th and thge 15th centuries yield most of their records. The 12th century saw the record of Vimala, grandson of a man of Śrimala kula was as ornament of Pragvata Vaṃśa getting a temple (Vimalavasahi) constructed at Abu. 44

Another from Dholka of A.D. 1160-1173 records the construction of Udayana vihara by Mantrī Vāgabhaṭa. It also mentions that another son of Udayana, Āmbaḍa constructed a Caitya at Bhṛgukachcha and an image of Ādinātha at Śri pattana. Another son Dhavala is mentioned whose son Vārisimha built a Caitya at Stambhatīrtha.⁴⁵

⁴⁰ E.I., 26, pp.84-112.

⁴¹ E.I., 9, pp.148-147.

V.K.Jain, <u>Trade & Traders...</u>, p.245.

⁴³ <u>Prabandhakosa</u>, p.129.

⁴⁴ E.I., 9, pp.148-158.

⁴⁵ E.I., 35, pp.8-94.

The Jalor record of A.D. 1182 mentions the construction of the mandapa of Rsabhanātha by devout Śrāvaka seth Yasovira, son of seth Yasodeva, who was joined in his work by other members of the gosthika and his brothers.⁴⁶

The records of the Osvalas show similar works being undertaken by them, though in slightly later period. (See Appendix)

From the brief survey of the patronage by the merchant lineages, certain points of interest emrege. Firstly, as trade and related activities gained ground in western India, the religious endowments of the merchants increased as a result of acquisition of wealth by them. Secondly, even among the traders themselves there emerged groups/families that were more prosperous and influential than others and therefore more generous and extensive in their patronage. This led to the specific families vying for political and social status and consequent emergence of differentiation both within and among lineages.

This differentiation saw proliferation and branching off into sections within Jainism from about the 10th century. The religion was getting institutionalised during the period along with the emergence of different gacchas. This development can be traced quite clearly from the epigraphs of the mercantile communities. Though silent in the earlier period, from 12th and 13th centuries there emerge references to particular gacchas and their preceptors among these. This factor formed another basis for differentiation within the lineage.

The records of the Dharkatas mention two gacchas. Nanaka gaccha finds

E.I., 11, pp.53-54.

mentions in an Abu record of AD 1183⁴⁷ and Belar record of AD 1208⁴⁸ and the Sanderaka gaccha in the Abu records of AD 1188,⁴⁹ and AD 1234.⁵⁰

Among the Pragavatas the most prominent gacchas appear to be Nagendra, Tapa, Brhat, Purnimapaksa, Kacholivala and Ancala. (See Appendix for greater details).

Among the Śrimālas, the prominent <u>gacchas</u> are Brāhman, Pūrnimāpaksa, Ancala, Tapa, Agama and Caitra. (See Appendix for greater details).

The records of the Osvālas show a prominence of Kharatara, Dharmagosa, Tapa, Ancala, Ukeśa, Koranta, and Mālādhara gacchas. (See Appendix for greater details).

By belonging to one or the other <u>gaccha</u> the merchant acquired a more definite identity and the proximity to the religious leader of a particular Gaccha added to their respectability. Certain families standout in this respect.

Mantrī Yasovira of the Dharkata Vamsa was a follower of Śri Yasodeva Sūri of Sanderaka gaccha and his son Śri Śānti Sūri. 51

The family of Vastupala and Tejahpala were followers of the Nagendra gaccha and their records provide the lineage of their spiritual preceptors. These

⁴⁷ <u>APJLS</u>, p.123.

⁴⁸ APJLS, p.117; P.C.Nahar, <u>J.I</u>, I, p.221.

⁴⁹ <u>APrJLS</u>, pp.58-59.

⁵⁰ <u>APJLS</u>, pp.146-7.

⁵¹ <u>APrJLS</u>, pp.58-59.

were: Mahendrasūri, Śāntisūri, Ānandasūri, Amarasūri, Haribhadrasūri, Vijayasenasūri and Udayaprabhasūri. 52

Another prominent family is that of Laliga who belonged to the family of Vimala. They were followers of the Dharmagosa gaccha and Jnanacandra Suri. 53

Almost all the families from the 13th - 14th century onward mention the Gaccha and if not that then almost always the name of the Suri who consecrated the image, the devakulika or the stambha installed by them.

⁵² E.I, 8, pp.200-222.

⁵³ E.I., 9, pp.148-158.

Chapter IV

CONCLUSION

The work has attempted to trace the evolution and growth of the trading communities of the early medieval western India on the basis of contemporary records in terms of the contemporary situation.

The first effort was to study the trading communities against the backdrop of the 'Feudalism Debate'. The impression one gathers after the perusal of the texts and the numerous inscriptions by the merchants is of brisk economic activity, thriving merchant lineages and a number of urban centres; not of stagnation and decline, either in terms of production or urban centres.

A development specific to early medieval India was the shift of emphasis from the Ganga valley to regional centres of power. More specifically, the western India of the period saw the rise of Rajput lineages—heterogenous in composition and exhibiting tiers of power in their kin - structure —in relation to the centres of power they were associated with. Naturally consequent was the emergence of hierarchy both among and within the lineages and among the urban centres.

Trading communities reflect this trend, well and truly. They rose to prominence as merchant lineages (referred to as <u>kula</u>, <u>vamsa</u>, <u>jati</u> or <u>jñati</u>), and not as guilds, or as amorphous vaisya <u>varna</u> or as individual merchants. Like the Rajputs, these merchants were also of heterogenous composition. They too are found associated with various urban and political centres, and exhibit differentiation amongst themselves and in relation to the urban/political centres.

Urban centres that were seats of power too, like Anahilawada, Candravatī and Nadol, show a concentration of merchants in general, and those of the most affluent and influential merchants in particular. Other centres of concentration like Nagaur, Pālitāṇa, Pālaṇpura etc. form another tier. Merchants are also found associated with rural bases as well.

Among the lineages themselves, the Pragvatas in the 12th- 13th centuries emerge as the most prominent lineage and the Osvalas in the 14th-15th centuries. Within the lineage, the example of the Pragvata shows five distinct tiers - the family of Vastupala - Tejahpala associated with Caulukya - Vaghelas of Anahilawada; the family of Anupamadevi, Tejahpala's wife, associated with the Paramaras at Candravati; the family of Pragvata Subhankara and his son Putiga and Saliga at Nadol; merchants of this lineage at Nagaur, Palitana etc. and finally, those associated with rural bases. Other lineages show similar developments.

Like the Rajputs, the merchants of the region were also trying to find a slot in the existing social set up. The Rajputs achieved this by forming a network of alliances with comparable groups, adopting high sounding titles, through religious patronages and association with religio - spriritual leaders to attain legitimacy and respect. The merchants followed the same trend. However, while the Rajputs were accommodated as ksatriyas, the merchants on account of their professions could never hope to rise above the third category of the Vaisyas. This resulted in a dichotomy between their ritual and economic status. As such, they quite clearly shifted to Jainism and generously patronized various gacchas and their spiritual preceptors, as the records show. This development has been attributed, albeit tentatively to a desire for social mobility, not in structural but positional terms in our study.

Following from this, it could be suggested that trading communities played some role in the social changes marking the period. The close association

between the royalty and the merchants indicates the latters role in the secondary state formation. Their ability to surpass the traditional barriers and excel in all fields - economic, political and military - again underlines a social success for this community.

The role of Jainism in all these developments has often been emphasised and compared to the role of Protestantism in medieval Europe. Max Weber in his 'Protestant Ethics and the Spirit of Capitalism' has attributed the rise of the spirit of modern capitalism to Calvinism that demanded a continuous and coherent life of discipline marked by intense worldly activity, of its believers. It legitimized the earning of wealth through legitimate activity, together with the avoidance of the use of this income for personal enjoyment. Similarities can be discerned in the western Indian context, with Jainism taking the place of Protestantism. Jainism emphasised learning and trade and accorded a high status to the traders, and the traders in turn patronized it generously. That the traders used it for their social mobility is also discernible. However, any definite conclusion on this point requires an indepth study of the Jaina ethics, that is not attempted here. Till then, the contention remains a conjecture and can be stated only as a hypothesis.

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APPENDIX

TABULATED DATA ON THE MERCHANT LINEAGES OF WESTERN INDIA BASED ON EPIGRAPHS FROM 8th TO THE 15th CENTURY

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Dharkata & Dhūsara Vaṃśa	A.D. 642	-	-	Sakrai, Sekhavati, Jaipur.	To record the construction of a mandapa of Śankara Devi by a gosthika of 11 śresthis/vaniks: śresthi Mandana, śresthi Garga, Ganaditya & Devalla, Śiva, Śankara, Mandubaka, Adityanaga, Bhadra, Udyotana & Śankara.	Epigraphia Indica (E.I), 27, pp.27-33.
Ddhakata Jati	8th Century	<u>.</u>	-	Osian, probably Vanimalaka.	Records the death of the son of Duggeppara.	Osian: History, Archaeology, art and architecture, p.212.
Dhūsara Vaṃsa	A.D. 807	-	•	Khandela, Sekhavati, Jaipur.	To record the construction of a Siva temple by Adityanaga, wife Nāgiya, son of Vodda, for the merit of his parents.	E.I., 34, pp.159- 163.
Dhakata Jati	9th Century	-	•	Osian	Kuka s dead son commemorated.	Osian:, p.213.
Dharkata Jati	A.D. 828		•	Osian	Ādityapāla's dead son commemorated.	ibid., p.213.
Dharkata Jāti	A.D. 838	-	-	Osian	Sidha, Jasāditya's son, who died.	ibid., p.214.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Dharkaţa Jāti	AD 875	•	-	Osian. Probably hailed from Deduvaka	Death of Udyotana's son.	<u>Osian</u> :, p.214
Dharkata Jāti	AD 912	-	-	Osian.	Death of Vitthu, Nagaditya's son.	ibid., p.215.
Dharkata Jati	AD 912	-	-	Osian.	Death of a woman, daughter of Dhanya	ibid., p.215
Dharkata Vamsa	AD 922	-	-	Rajorgarh	Construction of Śāntinātha temple by Saradeva, son of Deddaluka and Pulind.	K.G. Sharma, <u>Early</u> <u>Jaina Incriptions of</u> <u>Rajasthan</u> , p.92.
Dharkata Jati	AD 923	-	-	Osian	Death of a vanik	<u>Osian:</u> , p.215.
Dharkata Jati	AD 953	-	•	Osian	Death of Māluka, wife of Vihana	lbid., p.215.
Dharkata Jati	AD 962	-	-	Osian	Death of a Person.	Ibid., p.216
Dharkata Jāti	AD 986	-	-	Nagar, Tonk Dist., Jaipur.	Construction of Visnu temple, tanks and installation of deities by Nandana, wife Rohini. Recorded by Nandana's 6 sons.	E.I., 34, pp.77-90

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Dharkata Jati	A.D. 1024	-	-	Osian	Death of Lāli, Āsu's wife & Sidamta's daughter.	Osian:, p.220.
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1178	Ghislad	-	Belar, Marwad.	Śresthī Sapārśva & his sons Pumalh & Rāma earned glory by their works	P.C. Nahar, <u>Jaina</u> <u>Inscriptions</u> (<u>J.I</u>), I, p.219
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1183	-	Nanaka	Nana, Mwu	Installation of the image of Śri Sambhavanatha, consecrated by Śri Śanti Sūri, by a number of people.	<u>APJLS</u> , p.123.
Dharkata Vaṃsa	A.D. 1188	-	-	Vimalavasahi, Abu. Resident of Abu	Installation of image of Sri Pārsvanātha consecrated by Śri Singha Sūri by śreşthī Āmbira, wife Lasmani, second wife Praihavi.	APrJLS, p. 33.
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1188	-	Śri Saṇḍeraka	Vimalavasahi, Abu	Construction of a Devakulika by mantrī Yasovira, son of Śri Udaya Singh & Udayaśri, for his mother's welfare. Follower of Śri Yasodeva Sūri, disciple of Śri Deva Candra Sūri.	<u>APrJLS</u> , pp.58-59.
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1198	Khandesa	-	Jodhpur	Death of a Vanik	Preserved in Mandor Meuseum.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Dharkata Jāti	A.D. 1208	Dharkata	Nānkiya	Belar, Marwad	Construction of a Stambha by sresthin Asadeva & his son, grandson and great grandson at the Adinatha temple.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u> , I, p.221; <u>APJLS</u> , p.117.
Dha ldw ata Vamsa	A.D. 1208	-	-	Velar, Marwad	Work of religious benefaction by sresthi Dhandha, wife Jinadevi, son of sresthi Asadeva, along with his sons & grandsons	<u>APJLS</u> , p.117
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1208	-	-	Belar, Marwad	Construction of Stambha by the same family mentioned above.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I. pp.220-1.
Dharkata Vaṃsa	A.D. 1231	•	-	Vimalavasahi, Abu.	Installation of the image of Śri Śantinatha, consecrated by Śri Padmadeva Śuri, disciple of Śri Purnabhadra Śuri who is the son of Śri Deva Śuri, by śresthi Bhai, son of śresthi Bhanu and grandson of śresthi Bahati.	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.52.
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1231	-	-	Lunavasahi, Abu. Resident of Gundoch.	Construction of a Devakulika by sresthi Bhai who is the follower of Sri Padmadeva Sūri.	ibid., pp.116-7
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1234	-	Śri Saṇḍeraka	Lunavasahi, Abu.	Construction of a Devakulika and installation of the image of Sri Sumatinatha by mantri Yasovira for the welfare of his father. He was the follower of Yasobhadra Suri & his son Sri Santi Suri.	APJLS, p.146.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Dharkata Vaṃśa	A.D. 1234	-	Śri Sanderaka	Lunavasahi, Abu	Construction of a Devakulika & installation of the image of Sri Adinatha by mantri Yasovira for the welfare of his mother.	<u>APJLS</u> , p.147.
Dharkata Vamsa	A.D. 1251	-	-	Vimalavasahi, Abu	Installation of the image of Sri Adinatha, consecrated by Sri Amaracandra Sūri, disciple of Nemi Sūri, by śresthi Amsiha, son of śresthi Amvira of the familyof śresthi Bosari.	APrJLS, p.34.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 710	5	-	Indragadh, Mandasaur, Madhyapradesh.	Records the construction of a Siva temple by Pasupata ascetic Danārāsi and the endowments made to the temple by Deullika, Takshullika and Bhoginika, daughters of Kumāra.	E.I., 32, pp.112- 117.
Pārāvāda Jāti	A.D. 878	-	-	Bhilsa, Gwalior, Madhyapradesh.	Records the grant of an akshaya-nivika in favour of the temple of Bhaillasvami. It consisted of 3 vithis and was made by Vanik Śri Hatiaka, son of Chachchhiaka.	E.I.,30, pp.210- 215.
Prāgvata Vaṃśa	A.D. 1143/1174	-	-	Ratanapura, Jodhpur. Resident of Nadol.	Records the prohibition of killing of animals on certain days. The record made public by Putiga & Saliga, sons of Pragvata Subhankara.	Peterson, Bhavnagar Inscriptions, B.I, pp. 205-207.
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1153	-	-	Kiradu, Marwad	Same as above.	ibid., pp. 172-173.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Prāgvata Vaṃśa	A.D. 1154		-	Ganesara, Gujarat. Resident of Anahilapura.	Prasasti of Sri Vastupala & Tejahpala. Records the Pilgrimage of the two brothers and the temples, stambhas, Devakulikas, images and tanks constructed by them. Provides the family genealogy of the two. Refers to Vastupala as 'Caulukya -Tilaka - Amatya' & 'Mahamatya'	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u> ., II, p.83.
Prāgvata Vamsa	A.D. 1158	-	-	Palanpura. Resident of Kheemant	Sresthī Poona Abhayadāsāh got the image of Śri Mahāvīra installed.	ibid., p.171.
Prāgvata Vaṃsa	A.D. 1161	-		Nadol, Jodhpur.	Records the donation by Maharaja Alhanadeva of Naddula. The Duta of the grant was mantri Laksmidhara, son of Dharanigga	E.I., 9, pp.62-66.
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1164	-	-	Falodi, Marwad.	A grant made to the Caitya of Sri Parsvanatha by Mahaim Dasadh	P.C. Nahar <u>, J.I.,</u> I,p.221.
Prāgvata Vamsa	A.D. 1170	-	-	Bijholi, Udaipur	Records the erection of a temple of Părsvanātha by śreṣṭhī Lolāka, wives Lalitā, Kamalāśri & Lakṣhmi. It provides a genealogy of the Cahamanas of Sakāmbhari followed by the genealogy of Lolāka's family.	E.I., 26, pp.84-112.
Prāgvaṭa Vaṃśa	A.D. 1210	•	•	Abu. Resident of Anahilapura	Mentions certain repairs & additions to the temple of Ādinātha by Vastupāla & Tejahpāla, mantī of the kings of Anahilavada. Also provides a genealogy of their family; genealogy of the Caulukyas; that of the Paramaras of Abu; & that of the family of Anupamādevi, wife of Tejāhpala, at Candrāvatī.	Peterson, <u>B.I.,</u> pp.174-184.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Prāgvāta vaṃsá	AD 1230	-	Nagendra	Abú	Records the construction of the Neminatha temple by Tejahpāla for the merit of his wife Anupamādevi and son Lavanyasimha, consecrated by Vijayasenasūri. Also provides the genealogy of Tejahpāla's family; of the Caulukyas; of the Paramaras; and the lineage of the spiritual preceptors of Vastupāla - Tejahpāla's family. The latter belonged to the Nāgendragaccha and their names in chronological order were: Mahendrasūri, Sāntisūri, Ānandasūri, Amarasūri, Haribhadrasūri, Vijayasenasūri and Udayaprabhasūri. Inscription No.2 records the regulations for the festivals connected with this temple and for the protection and maintenance of the building. During the festival, the ceremonies were to be performed by the Srāvakas of Candrāvatī, namely the Prāgvatas, the Uesavālas, the Srimalas and the Dharkatas. These were associated with Umbaranīkigrāma, Sarauligrāma, Kāsahrdagrāma, Brahmana, Dhauligrāma, Mundāsthala, Philinigrāma; & the towns of Handauda, Dāvani & Sāhilawādā.	E.I., 8, pp.200-222; also see Peterson, B.I., pp. 218-224 for inscription number 2.
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1231	•	-	Abu	Inscription nos. III - XVIII, record the construction of the Neminatha temple by Tejahpala & the erection of the shrines, images of Jinas & tirthankaras by the same, for the religious merit of various members of his family.	E.I., 8, p.223- 226.
Prägvata Vamsa	A.D. 1233	-	<u>-</u>	Abu	Inscriptions numbers XIX - XXIII, record the same as above.	E.I., 8,p.226
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1236	-	-	Abu	Inscription numbers XXIV - XXXI, record the same as above.	E.I., 8, pp.227-229.
Pragvata Vamša	A.D. 1240	-	•	Abu	Inscription number XXXII, record the same as above.	ibid., p.229.
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1254	-	-	Dabhoi	Records the building or the restoration of a Siva - Vaidyanatha temple by Visaladeva. Also provided is the eulogy of the Caulukya - Vaghelas. It mentions that the son of Candasimha was the saciva such of the fort of Vaidya Sitri.	E.I., 1, pp.20- 32.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1258	- ·	Candra	Ghogha, Kathiawad	Installation of the image of Śri Pārsvanātha, consecrated by Śri Yasobhadra Sūri, by śresthi Gāndhi, son of śresthi Sapata, grandson of śresthi Āmdeva	P.C. Nahar, J.I., II, p.184.
Prāgvaṭa Jāti	A.D. 1263	-	Rāņka	Ghogha, Kathiawad	Installation of the image of Śri Rsabhadeva, consecrated by Śri Mahicandra Śūri, by Vya. Jāla, wife Māthi, son of Vya. Viradatta.	ibid., p.184
Prāgvata Vamsa	A.D. 1274	Ambai	Bṛhad	Barlut, Sirohi	Records the construction of the Mananasimha vihara by Raja Abhata. It then mentions the construction of additional structures in the same by sresthi Padmasimha, son of Delhana & Paumsiri, along with his sons, grandsons and relatives belonging to the Pragvata and the Umsevala Jatis.	E.I., 36, pp.36-38.
Prāgvaţa Jāti	A.D. 1277	•	-	Kiradu, Mewad	Installation of the image of Śri Śantinatha by Sa. Jhauna, of the family of Mahaim Sajana & Mahaim Tejāh, for the merit of his mother Kapūradevi.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.234.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1294	•	-	Sirohi	Sresthi Padma, wife Mohini and son Vijayasiha, son of Punasiha & Jalu, grandson of sresthi Sajana and Ralhu, got the image of Jina made.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.269.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1301	-		Northern Gujarat	Records the installation of an image by sresthi Samayaka.	E.I., II, p.25.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Prāgvata Vaṃsa	A.D. 1318	-	-	Posina, Bharuch	Installation of the image of Śri Maḥāvīra by śresthī Bohād on the askance of Śri Jinabhadra Śūri. His son Brahmādeva got a shrine made at the Neminatha temple, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Śūri. Brahmādeva's younger brother Śāranadeva, wife Suhāvadevi and sons, got a saptatīrtha made on the askance of Śri Parmānanda Śūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.199.
Prāgvaţa Jāti	A.D. 1321	•	-	Ajmer	Installation of image Śri Śantinatha, consecrated by Śri Mahendra Suri, by Mahaim Kandha & son Malha	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.127.
Pragvata Vamsa	A.D. 1321	-	Dharmaghosa	Vimalavasahi, Abu	Records the repairs done to the temple by Laliga & Vijada. It also records that the temple was constructed in V.S. 1088 by Vimala, the dandapati at Abu. Mentions the genealogy of the Paramaras and the family history of the two men who repaired the temple. Also mentioned is Jnanacandra Suri who consecrated the repaired temple of the Dharmaghosa gaccha.	E.I., 9, pp.148- 158.
Pragvaţa Jati	A.D. 1322		Mबीबॅdhari	Satrunjaya	Construction of a tonk by Thakkura Vayajaladeva & his son Vaila, consecrated by Tilaka Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.161.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1334	•	Purnima	Kiradu, Mewad	Installation of the image of Śri Pārsvanātha, consecrated by Śri Suri, by Sā.Dhīna, wife Devala & son Chamiyā.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.235.
Pragvața J ā ti	A.D. 1353	•	Kacholivala	Sirohi	Sresthī Jagmāla, wife Suthālā and sons, son of sresthī Mahana and Kapur, got a Mahāvira caitya constructed, consecrated by Sri Ratnaprabha Sūri, disciple of Sri Naracandra Sūri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.265.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1380	•	-	Jaipur	Śresthi Mooja got the image of Śri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.26.
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1383	•	Тара	Śatruńjaya	Sāh. Bigīra got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Devacandra Sūri.	ibid., pp.176-7.
Pragvata Jñati	A.D. 1390	-	Nāgendra	Satruñjaya	Sada, son of Dhanasonaha and Hamsala, got the image of Śri Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.162.
Prāgvaţa Jnati	A.D. 1397	-	Sadhupurnima Pakṣa.	Šatrunjaya	Image of Śri Ādinātha installed by Āsa, consecrated by Śri. Abhayacandra Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>Satrunjaya Vaibhava,</u> <u>S.V</u> . p.303
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1400	•	Nāgendra	Śatruñjaya	Sanghi Bhasara and his family got the image of Sri Vasupujya made, consecrated by Ratnaprabha Suri	ibid., p.303.
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1403	-	-	Śatruńjaya	Vya. Bholā and family got the image of Padmaprabha made, consecrated by Gunaratna Sūri.	ibid., p.303.

Lineage	Year	Gotra	Gaccha	Place	Donor & Purpose	Reference
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1408	-	-	Śatruńjaya	Image of Santinatha made by Golaka, son of Vya. Hotha and Hira, consecrated by Devasundara Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V</u> ., p.304.
Prāgvata Jnati	A.D. 1423	-	-	Ajmer	Image of Padmaprabha, consecrated by Śri Somasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.127.
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1424	-	Vrhattapa paksa	Sirohi. Resident of Visala Nagar	Śresthi Sosa, wife Pranaldevi & sons, son of śresthi Devalasiha, grandson of śresthi Setasiha, got a work of religious merit done on the askance of Śri Ratnasimha Suri, disciple of Śri Jayatilaka Suri, disciple of Śri Abhayasimha Suri, disciple of Bhattaraka Śri Ratnakara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.272.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1428	-	Brhatapa	Satrunjaya	Gaga got the image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Jina Sundara Suri, disciple of Somasundra Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.306.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1432	•	Тара	Palanpura	Bamua, wife Kapuri, son of Simha and Pujala, grandson of mantri Bahad, got the image of sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Somasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> ,II, p.173.
Prăgvata Jati	A.D. 1433	-	-	Sihor, Kathiawad	Teja, son of San. Sahassakirana and Dharanu, grandson of Mā. Ratna and Rajāi, got the image of Kunthunātha made, consecrated by Śri Hemavimala Suri.	ibid., p.174.

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Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1438	-	Purnima Paksa	Nagaur	Pātha, son of Sahasa and Sitā, grandson of Vya Sādā and Bhādi, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Sarvānanda Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.46.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1439	-	-	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Bhada and his family got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Samudra Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.307.
Prāgvata	A.D. 1440	-	-	Bikaner	Vya. Jaila, wife Varaju and son Lutha got the image of Śreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Muniprabha Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.64.
Prāgvaṭa	A.D. 1441	-	-	Ajmer	Vya. Vela, wife Virani, son of Vya Bhima and Bhavala, grandson of Vya Dhira and Dhirala, got the image of Sri. Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.129.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1443	*	-	Jodhpur	Didha, wife Rani, son Supaka and wife Sarsu and grandson Sajana, got the image of Sri Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Śri Sūri.	ibid., p.137
Prāgvata Jhāti	A.D. 1444	-	Тара	Satrunjaya	Śresthi Chamba got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Muni Sundara Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.308.

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Pragvata Jñati	A.D. 1446	-	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Ganavada	Parbat and his family got the image of Śreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Sūri	Munikatisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.310.
Prāgvata Jñati	A.D. 1446	•	-	Palitana, Satrunjaya. Resident of Sahilavala	Sresthi Champa got the image of Munisuvratasvami made.	ibid., p.311.
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1446	•	Тара	Śatrunjaya	Person got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri.	ibid., p.311.
Prāgvata Jñati	A.D. 1447	-	Sadhu Purnima paksa	Satrunjaya	Champa, son of Vya. Vasuda, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Sri Purnacandra Suri, disciple of Ramacandra Suri	ibid., p.30.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1447	<u>-</u>	Vriddhasakha tapa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sahivala	Sresthi Virama, Ghita and Chiga, sons of sresthi Pincha and Lakhana, got the image of Sri Munisuvratasvami made, consecrated by Jinaratna Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.177.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1447	-	Sādhu purnimā pakṣa	Palanpura.	Sresthi Purnasimha, wife Demai & brother Haridasa, son of sresthi Ratna & Dharanu, grandson of sresthi Rana, got the image of Sri Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Sri Purnacandra Suri, disciple of Sri Ramacandra Suri	ibid., p.173.

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Pragvata Jñáti	A.D. 1447	-	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Ganavada	Parnala, son of śresthi Ama & Segu, wife Mai, got the image of Śri Śreyānsanātha, consecreted by Śri Jayacandra Suri.	P.C. Nahar., <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.152.
Prāgvaţa Jñáti	A.D. 1447	-	Тара	Śatruńjaya	Jhathana, wife Nagala & son Mukundanarada & brother Dhana, son of Sa. Kapa & Hasala, got the image of Sri Neminatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri.	ibid., p.164.
Prāgvaļa Jnati	A.D. 1448	•	Тара	Satrunjaya	Pama, got the image of Śreyansanatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.312.
Prāgvaţa Jñati	A.D. 1449	-	Тара	Śatruńjaya	Thakkura Tejā got the image of Mallinatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Sūri, disciple of Somasundara Sūri	ibid.,∕ p.313.
Prāgvata Jnāti	A.D. 1450	-	Тара	Satruñjaya	Mela of Thakkura family got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri.	ibid., pp.313-4.
Pragvata	A.D. 1450	-	-	Sirohi	Vya. Bhada, wife Alhu & sons Javada and Bhoja, son of Vya. Ghanasi & Linvi, and Vya.Sanda,wife Manik and son Kanha and grandson Jona, son of Vya. Jhagada & Meghā got the image of Sri. Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Sūri, disciple of Sri Jayacandra Sūri, disciple of Sri Munisundara Sūri, disciple of Sri Somasundara Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.265.

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Prāgvaţa	A.D. 1450	-	Ueśa	Nagaur	Lasa, wife Lasana, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Kakka Suri, son of Sri Siddhacarya.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.47.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1451	-	Тара	Satrunjaya	Mukunda got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.315.
Prāgvata Vamsa	A.D. 1452	-	Ancala	Kiradu, Mewad	Udhara, wife Sohini and sons Alha, Nisa, Visa, son of Karmat and Maju, got the image of Śri Vasupujyasvami made, consecrated by Śri Jayakesara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.233.
Pragvata	A.D. 1453	-	<u>-</u>	Medta, Marwad	Sa. Dungar, wife Jasali and brothers Khetasi, Sahasa, Samarand, & Dharakami, son of Tira & Viri got the image of Sri Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Sri Munisundara Suri & Sri Somasundara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.187.
Pragvaţa	A.D. 1453	<u>-</u>	Тара	Nagaur	Sa. Jesa, wife Rani and brother Jama and wife Hiru, son of Sa. Gogan and Sadu, got the image of Dharmanatha made consecrated by Sri Ratnasagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.49.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1454	-	Ãncala	Śatrunjaya	Megha got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.318.

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Prāgvata Jnati	A.D. 1455	_	Vrihattapa	Śatrunjaya	Mah. Mosa got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Jinaratna Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.318.
Prāgvaţa Jñāti	A.D. 1455	-	Тара	Satruñjaya	Madhava, wife Valahi and brother Devaraja and his wife Ramaki, son of Dhana and Chamaku, grandson of Asapala and Pachu, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Sri Jayacandra Suri, disciple of Sri Munisundara Suri, disciple of Sri Somasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> - II, p.177.
Prāgvaţa	A.D. 1455	-	-	Nagaur	Sresthi Sahasa's wife Dhira got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Sri Somasundara Suri.	ibid., p.49.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1456	-	Тара	Jaipur	Saha. Gorale, wife Raju, son of Sā. Lasamana and Sadhu, got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Ratnasekhara Suri.	ibid., p.34.
Prāgvata Jīnāti	A.D. 1456	•	Тара	Satrunjaya	Donor got the image of Śitalanātha made, consecrated by Udayananda Sūri, disciple of Jayacandra Sūri, disciple of Somasundara Sūri.	Munikantisagar, S.V., p.320.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1456	-	Kacholivāla, Pūrņimā paksa	Delvada, Mewad.	A donor got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Sarvanandana Sūri, disciple of Śri Ratnaprabha Sūri, disciple of Śri Bhadresvara Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.246.

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Prāgvaţa Jnāti	A.D. 1456	•	Тара	Satrunjaya	Champa, son of Jaita, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Somasundara Suri.	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.320
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1457		-	Badmed	Rulha, wife Varju and sons Sa. Vira, Manik & Vachcha got the image of Sri Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Sri Munisundara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.178.
Prāgvata Jñati	A.D. 1459	-	Agama	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sahayala.	Raula got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Candraprabha Suri.	Munikantisagar, S.V., p.321.
PR ā gvata J n āti	A.D. 1459		-	Ajmer	Śresthi Jinadasa, son of śresthi Naga and Aji, grandson of śresthi Daudha & Harasu, got the image of Śri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Devaratna Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.130
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1459	•	Тара	Jodhpur	Jinadatta, son of Pahu, grandson of Jana and great grandson of Vya. Mosasi, got the image made, consecrated by Śri Ratnasekhara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I,</u> II, p.226.
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1459	_	Agama	Satrunjay. Resident of Sahayala.	Hiramanika Haradasa, son of Raja and Bhaku, grandson of Mulu and Arsu, great grandson of Ma. Raula, wives Rauala and Hansala, got an image consecrated by Śri Padmaprabha Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, pp.155-6.

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Prāgvata Jñáti	A.D. 1460	-	Divavandanika	Satrunjaya	Donor got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Siddhasuri	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.322.
Prāgvaţa Jñāti	A.D. 1461	-	Pūrņimā paksa	Palitana. Resident of Visavavaliya grama	Su. Siva got the image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Sādhusundara Sūri, disciple of Sādhuratna Sūri	ibid., p.323.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1462	-	Kacholivāla, Pūrņimā Pakṣa	Sirohi	Vya. Koha, wife Kamala and sons Nalha & Hida, got the image of Sri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Sri Gunasagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.277
Pragvața	A.D. 1462	•	Тара	Jasol, Marwar	Vya. Sucha, wife Chamu & son Mera tola, son of Vya Michala & Nasala, got the image of Sri Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Sri Lakşmisagara Suri.	ibid., p.227.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1462	-	Тара	Nagaur. Resident of Tauvachi.	Sa. Lasmana, wife Marga and son Jasvira, son of Kesava and Bholi, got the image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri.	ibid., p.51.
Prāgvaţa Jñāti	A.D. 1462	-	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sakhari	Haradasa, wife Gomati and brother Deva and his wife Dharmini, son of Sah. Javad and Varu, got an image consecrated by Sri. Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri	ibid., p.177.

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Prāgvata Jnāti	A.D. 1463	-	-	Śatrunjaya	Maru got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Jinasundara Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.324.
Prāgvaţa	A.D. 1463	-		Ajmer	Sa. Mauna, wife Rangu, son of Sa. Hira and Hira, grandson of Sa. Jayapala and Vasu, got the image of Sri Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sri Lakşmisagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.125.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1463	-		Śatrunjaya	Arjuna, wife Devi and brother Bhima and his wife Demati and his son Harapala and his wife Tamaku, got the image of Sri Vasupujya made, consecrated by Sri Udayavallabha Suri, disciple of Sri Ratnasimha Suri.	ibid., p.156
Prāgvata Jñāti	A.D. 1464	•	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Ahmedabad	Donor got an image of Abhinandana made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Somasundara Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.</u> <u>V.</u> , p.325
Prāgvaţa Jnati	A.D. 1464	-	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Moharasigrama	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Ratnasekhara Suri.	ibid., p.326.
Pragvața Jnati	A.D. 1466	-	Тара	Satrūńjaya. Resident of Umbarta	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Ratnasekhara Suri.	ibid., p.327.

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Pragvața Jĥati	A.D. 1466	~	Тара	Satruñjaya	Govinda got the image of Śreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara, son of Soubhāgya Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.327.
Prāgvaţa Jñāti	A.D. 1467	-	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sirunaja.	Sresthi Samadhara, wives Jasi and Dharma and son Lale, son of sresthi Vala and Manu, got the image of Sri Sumatinatha made, consecrated by gacchanayaka, Sri Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.176.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1467	•	· •	Ajmer	Sresthi Padma., wife Pahrti, son of Siva and Sobhagini, grandson of sresthi Soma and Srhula.	P.C. <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.126
Prāgvaṭa	A.D. 1468	-	-	Kiradu, Mewad. Resident of Shragara	Sa, Mala, wife Alhu, son of Sa. Vagha and Gau, got the image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmi Sagara Suri, diciple of Sri Somasundara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.237.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1469	-	-	Ajmer	M. Hima and son Baija got the image of Śri Neminatha made, consecrated by Śri Jinaratna Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.126.
Prägvata Jñāti	A.D. 1469		Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sanvali	Donor got a image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Lakşmisagara Sūri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.329.

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Pragvata	A.D. 1470	-	Upakeśa	Nagaur	Sresthi Hararaja, wife Amari, and son Samadhara, wife Nai, got the image of Sri Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Sri Siddha Suri, disciple of Sri Devagupta Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.61.
Pragvata Jñati	A.D. 1471	-	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Siddhapuri.	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Śri Laksmisagara Sūri, disciple of Śri Ratnasekhara Sūri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.337.
Pr ā gvata Jāti	A.D. 1472	-	Тара	Udayapur. Resident of Kadanalinagara.	Sanga, wife Dai, son of P. Champsi and Poma, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Lakşmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, J.I. <u>.</u> <u>II</u> , p.231.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1473	-	_	Marwar. Resident of Chumpara village.	Vya. Vela, son of Vya. Chahada and Rani, got the image of Śri Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Śri Laksmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.246.
Prāgvata	A.D. 1473		-	Jaipur	Sa. Natha, son of Sa. Palda and Palhan, grandson of Sa. Siva and Sampuri, got the image of Munisuvratasvami made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I,</u> II, p.30.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1473	-	Kabolivāla	Bikaner	Sa. Dola, wife Delha and brother Bhuna, son of Sah. Karma and Kuniga, got the image of Sri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Sri Vidyasagara Suri.	ibid., p.72.

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Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1473	-	Тара	Jaipur. Resident of Palanpur	Śresthi Semaprasu, wife Sichu, son of Kanha and Sanvala, grandson of śresthi Narasimha and Namala, got the image of Śri Neminatha made, consecrated by Śri Laksmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> ,II, p.30.
Prāgvaţa Jnati	A.D. 1473	-	Тара	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri, dicisple of Sri Somasundara Suri.	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.332.
Prāgvata	A.D. 1473.	-	•	Nagaur. Resident of Sirohi	Sa. Mamana, wife Manik, son of Rada and Aghu, got the image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Lakşmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.54.
Prāgvata Jāti	A.D. 1475	-	• ,	-	Sa. Mahisri, wife Rani and son Hir and his wife Bharami, got the image of Sri Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri, diciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.188.
Prāgvata Jati	A.D. 1475	_	Vrhattapa •	Medta, Marwad	Sresthi Asadhara, wife Gagi and son Madana Dama, got the image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Jinaratna Suri.	ibid., p.182.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1475	-	<u>-</u>	Jaipur	Vya. Deva, wife Devala, son of Pata and Vaoon, grandson of Vya. Mamala and Kani, got the image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Punyaratna Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.27.

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Prāgvaṭa	A.D. 1477	-	-	Jaipur. Resident of Vasa	Vya. Paravata, wife Bharami, son of Vya. Alha and Desu, got the image of Sri Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri, disciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri.	P.C. Nahar. <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.30.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1477	-	Тара	Nagaur. Resident of Visanagara	Sresth Soma, wives Deusu and Vanari and brother Bhoja, got the image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, conscrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri.	ibid., p.61.
Pragvata Jñati	A.D. 1479	-	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Kunthunatha made.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.336.
Prāgvaţa Jnati.	A.D. 1483	•	Ãncala	Satrunjaya	Image consecrated by a Sūri.	ibid., p.337.
Pragvata Vamsa.	A.D. 1484	-	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Jayasekara Suri.	ibid., p.338.
Pragvata Jñati	A.D. 1488	-	-	Nagaur. Resident of Viravada	Sa. Bhima, wife Hemi, son of Sa. Ratna and Maghu, got the image of Śri Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Śri Śri Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.63.

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Pragvata Jāti	A.D. 1489	-	•	Ajmer	Vya. Rupa, wife Depu and son Mera, wife Hiru, got the image of Sri Vasupujya made, consecrated by Sri Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.131.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1492	•	Vrihattapa Paksa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Patan.	Mula, wife Hamsi and son Harsa Lasa, son of Pandita Sadha and Sanaku, got the image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Udayasagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar., <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.178.
Pragvata Jhati	A.D. 1493	-	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Visalanagara	Donor got an image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Śri Udayasagara Sūri.	Munikantisagar, S.V., p.342
Prāgvata jāti	A.D. 1495	-	Тара	Medta, Marwar	Sa. Soma, wife Gauri and son Harsa, son of Sa. Punja and Ramaka, got the image of Śri Adinatha made, consecrated by Śri Kamalakalaśa Sūri, disciple of Śri Somasundara Sūri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.188.
Prāgvata Jīnāti	A.D. 1495	-	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Mahisana.	Donor got an image of Śri Ādinātha made, consecrated by Śri Hemavimalā Sūri, disciple of Śri Sumatisādhu Sūri.	Munikantisagar, S.V., p.342.
Pragvata Jnati	A.D. 1496	-	Brihatapa Paksa	Palitana. Resident of Patan	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Udayasagara Suri.	ibid., p.342.

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Pragvața Jnati	A.D. 1498	•	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Vadi.	Donor got an image of Śri Sumatinātha made, consecrated by Śri Hemavimala Sūri	Munikantisagar, S.V., p.342.
Pragvata Jati	A.D. 1499		Ancala.	Medta, Marwar	Sa. Pima, wife Santala, son of Sa. Chandara and Sanlasan, got the image of Sri Candra Prabhasvami, consecrated by Sri Sivasagara Suri.	P.R. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.183.
Pragvața Jñati	A.D. 1500	-	-	Satrunjaya.	Mantrī Vachcha got the image of Siddhachakra made	ibid., p.153.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1160/ A.D. 1173		-	Dholka	Records the construction of Udayana-Vihara by Mantri Vagbhata (Udayana was a mantri of Jayasimha Siddharaja). Also mentioned is Udayana's other son Āmbaḍa's valorous deeds, his construction of a Caitya at Bhrigukachcha and installation of a silver image of Ādinatha at Śri Pattana, in Lata country and a Dhana-Vihara in the Avanti country. Another son, Dhavala is also mentioned; his son Varisimha built a Caitya at Stambhatirtha.	E.I., 35, pp.89- 94. Fragmentary Inscription
Śrimāla Vaṃsá	A.D. 1182	-	Chamdra	Jalore, Jodhpur.	Records the construction of a Mandapa by Seth Yasovira, son of Seth Yasodeva, joined in the effort by the members of the gosthika and his brothers Yasoraja and Jagadhara. Prasasti composed by Sri Purnabhadra Suri, disciple of Sri Camdra Suri	E.I., 11, pp.52- 54
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1216	-	-	Satrunjaya	The donor got an image made for his brother's mokṣa.	Munikantisagara, S.V. p.296.

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Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1231	-	-	Abu	Thakkura Sihad, son of Thakkura Suhaga, grandson of Thakkura Sahni, great grandson of Thakkura Yaso, got the image of Sri Yogadijnina made.	APrJLS, p.137.
Śrimāliya	A.D. 1237	-	-	Jalor, Marwad	Vijaka, son of Jhanva, grandson of Nagadeva and great grandson of sresthi Visala, got a Caitya of Mahavira made.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.240.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1248	-	-	Satrunjaya	Punamsimha, son of Lasa, got an image made.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.297.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1263	•	-	Abu. Resident of Pinalaka.	Jalhana, son of Āsadhara, grandson of Devadhara and great grandson of Abha got the image of Mahavira made, consecrated by Śri Vayarasenopadhayay	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.281.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1312	-	-	Abu	Vijad, son of Devad and Devala, got the image of Śri Śantinatha made.	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.536.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1313	-	Brāhman	Abu. Resident of Paidranagara	Mahaim Ramatsimha, son of Mahaim Bhimat and Kapurdevi got the image of Sri Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Municandra Suri.	ibid., p.536.

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Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1321	•	-	Abu	Mahaim Srikhatala got a statue of Mahavira established at Vimalavasahi.	APrJLS. p.63.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1321	<u>-</u>	-	Abu	Thakkura Jhajhan got an image made.	ibid., p.13.
Śrimāla Kula	A.D. 1321	-	-	Abu	Records the repairs done to the Vimalavasahi temple by Laliga and Vijada. Laliga belonged to the Pragvata Vamsa. His ancestor is described as an ornament of the Pragvata Vamsa who belonged to the Srimala kula. To the same family belonged mantri Nedha and dandadhipati Vimala.	E.I., 9, pp.148-158.
Śrimāli Jnati	A.D. 1325	-	-	Satrunjaya	Śresthī Arjuna a got an image consecrated by Śri Dharmacandra Sūri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.299.
Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1327	•	-	Satrunjaya	Vya. Puna, son of Lalavada Jñāti got an image of Adinātha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Sūri, disciple of Guṇākara Sūri.	ibid., p.299.
Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1337	-	-	Satrunjaya	The donor got an image of Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Virasingha Sūri.	ibid., p.300.

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Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1348	-	Brāhman	Abu. Jivavala village	Dharana, son of Ajayasi and Lasala, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Buddhisagara Suri	<u>APJLS</u> ., p.116
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1349	<u>.</u> .	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image made, consecrated by Narasimha Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.300.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1361	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sri Vāsupujya made, consecrated by Bhavacandra Suri.	ibid., p.300.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1362	-	Brhad	Abu.	Sresthi Ranasingha, son of Sresthi Da and Bhau, got the image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Sri Hemaratna Suri, disciple of Sri Ratnasekhara Suri.	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.543.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1363	-	Bhavad	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image made, consecrated by Jinadeva Suri.	Munikantisagar <u>S.V.</u> , p.301.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1363	-	Brahman and Purnima Paksa	Abu	Lavaka, son of Rana and Ranadi, got an image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Dharmacandra Suri.	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.543

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Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1365	-	-	Abu	Sresthi Salih, son of Jayey and Jayatalde and brother Sresthi Ambada, got an image of Adinatha made.	APrJLS, p.544.
Sri Sri Jati	A.D. 1366	•	-	Jodhpur	Vya. Padmaprabhu, son of Vya. Kala and Kalhan, got an image consecrated by Sri Udayananda Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I p.143
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1377	-	-	Abu	Sresthi Palha, wives Palhande and Mau, son of sresthi Jayatala and Ratnade, got an image of Sri Sambhava made, consecrated by Suri.	APrJLS, p.547.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1377	•	Brāhmaņ	Abu	Devasingha, son of Salatha and Devala, got a Pancatirthi of Sri Yugadideva, consecrated by Sri Municandra Suri of Salasanpura.	ibid., p.547
Srimāla Jhāti	A.D. 1387	- -	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sri Santinatha made, consecrated by Devasundara Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.301.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1388	-	-	Abu	Mahaim Karmana got an image of Śri Śantinatha made, consecrated by Śri Suri	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.549.

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Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1391	-	-	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Setasingha got an image of Candraprabhasvami made, consecrated by Suvihita Suri.	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.</u> , p.302.
Śrimala Jnati	A.D. 1400	-	-	Satrunjaya	Raja, son of Vya. Paravata got an image of Sri Santinatha made.	ibid., p.303.
Śri Śrimala Jñali	A.D. 1402	-	Sạnḍera	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Udayadeva Suri.	ibid., p.303.
Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1405	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya	Vya. Boda, son of Visala and Vaula, got an image of Śri Vasupujya made, consecrated by Muni Tilaka Suri.	ibid., p.303.
Śrimala Jnati	A.d. 1407	-	-	Satrunjaya	Bhada, son of Sri Tejapala got an image of Sri Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Jayaprabha Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I p.162
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1409	-	Nagendra	Satrunjaya	Vya. Bala and his wife Ramai got an image of Śri Abhinandana made, consecrated by Śri Singha Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.304.

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Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1410	-	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Jinasimha Sūri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.304.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1416	-	Purnima Paksa	Abu	Vya. Ramana, wife Medhu and brother Padmaka got an image of Sri Padmaprabha made, consecrated by Sri Muni Tilaka Sūri.	APrJLS, p.552.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1418	-	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Vijayakirti Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> p.304.
Śrimala Vamsa	A.D. 1419	-	-	Abu	Vya. Narapala, son of Ubhayakulavisuddha and grandson of Vya. Sahadeva, bows to Sri Nemisvara.	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.134.
Srimala Jitati	A.D. 1425	-	-	Satrunjaya	Sa. Limba got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Soma Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.305
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1426	-	Ancala	Satrunjaya	Sresthī Alahanasingha got an image of Vāsupujya made, consecrated by Jayakirti Sūri.	ibid., p.305.

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Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1427	-	Purnima	Satrunjaya	Sala, son of Thakkura Chauda and Chandu, got an image of Munisuvritasvami made, consecrated by Acharya.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.306.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1427	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya	Vya. Sivana got an image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Sadhusundara Suri	ibid., p.306
Srimāla Vamsa	A.D. 1434	Vahagata	Kharatara	Kiradu, Mewad	Sa. Jaga, son of Sa. Uda, got an image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Sri Jinasagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.236.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1434	Mauthiya	-	Kiradu, Mewad	Sa. Samudrapala, son of Sa. Hemaraja, grandson of Sa. Dhama and Ilha and great grandson of Sa. Baham, got an image of Sri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Sri Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Sri Jinasarva Suri	ibid., p.242.
Śrimāla Vamśa	A.D. 1434	-	Тара	Jaipur. Resident of Vadali.	Migha Manik Ratna, son of Sa. Salibh and Raju, grandson of Sa. Mana and Rash and great grandson of Sa. Sama and Kamala, got an image of Sri. Suparsvanatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri.	ibid., p.34.
Śrimala Jnati	A.D. 1435	-	-	Satrunjaya	Śresthi Vada, got an image of Sambhavanatha made	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.,</u> p.307.

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Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1437	-	Āgam	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Popat got an image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Silaratna Suri	Munikantisagar <u>S.V.,</u> p.307.
Śrimāla Jnati	A.D. 1440	-	Brahama	Satrunjaya	Kumpa got an image of Munisuvritasvami made, consecrated by Municandra Suri	ibid., p.308
Śrimāla J nat i	A.D. 1442	-	Śrimālādhara	Palitana	Jesa, son of sresthi Pancha got an image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Guna Sundra Suri, disciple of Vidyasagara Suri	ibid., p.308
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1443	-	Vrdhatapa Paksa	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Bhota got an image of Padmaprabha made, consecrated by Ratna Singha Suri	ibid., p.308
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1446	Sasula	Dharmagosa	Satrunjaya	Sa. Vilaha got an image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Vinayacandra Suri	ibid., p.310.
Śrimāla	A.D. 1447	-	Тара	Jaipur	Sa. Samudhara, son of Sa. Sadharana got an image of Śri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Śri Haimhansa Sūri, disciple of Śri Pūrņacandra Sūri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.27.

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Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1448	Mahata	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Sa. Dhanaraja got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri.	Munikantisagar <u>S.V.,</u> p.312.
Śrimala	A.D. 1449	-	Āgama	Satrunjaya. Resident of Srimala	Sela got an image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Śilaratna Suri.	ibid., p.313.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1449	-	-	Ajmer	Sresthi Champa, wife Chapala and sons Sresthi Bijagha, Vigha, Vira/wife Shama, Puna, got an image of Sri Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Sri Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.125.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1450	Bhandavata	Palli	Jaipur	Sa. Bhoja, wife Sasu and son Nena and his wife Phula, got an image of Sri Dharmanatha made.	ibid., p.135.
Srimāla Vamsa	A.D. 1450	-	Ancala	Satrunjaya	Vya. Susrava got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri.	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.,</u> p.314.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1451	-	Pūrņimā Paksa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Pattan	Bhima got an image of Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Saubhāgyatilaka Sūri, disciple of Vijayatilaka Sūrī.	ibid., p.315.

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Srimāla Vaṃsa	A.D. 1452	Bhadiva	-	Abu	Sa. Pramada and Sa. Kala, sons of Sa. Chada and Meshu, got an image of Ambika consecrated by Jinacandra Suri	<u>APrJLS</u> , p.166.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1452	•	Ancala	Satrunjaya	Saradasa got an image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Siddhantasagar Suri.	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.,</u> p.315.
Srimāla J _i āti	A.D. 1453	-	Ancala	Abu	Vya. Tejāpala, wife Ramati and sons Dhana, son of Vya. Joga and Jasu, grandson of Vya. Bhupala and Bharma, got an image of Śri Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Śri Jayakesari Sūri.	APrJLS. p.428.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1453	-	Brahana	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Madana got an image of Munisuvrita made, consecrated by Vimala Suri; disciple of Buddhisagara Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> p.317.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1453	-	Brhatapa Paksa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Mandapa Durga.	Sa. Mota got an image of Anantanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasimha Suri.	ibid., p.316.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1453	Vahakati	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Sa. Jamana got an image of Suvidinatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri.	ibid., p.317.

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Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1454	-	Brhamaņ	Jaipur. Resident of Mehuna	Sresthi Kiyak, son of Sresthi Mekunasi and Nau, got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Municandra Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.41.
Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1455	-	-	Nagaur	Do. Bala, wife Kuari and son Sa. Aran, son of Vardhamana, grandson of Vya. Kala, got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sri Ratnasekhara Suri	ibid., p.49.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1455	-	Agama	Badmed	Sresthī Sahasa, wife Bholi and son Jinadasa, got an image of Kunthunātha made, consecrated by Sri Hemaratna Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.177.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1455	<u>-</u>	Kṛṣṇaṛṣi	Satrunjaya	Mahaim Arjuna got an image made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Pusparatna Suri	Munikantisagar <u>S.V.</u> , p.319.
Srimāla Jnāti	A.D. 1456	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya	Sresthi Megha got an image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri	ibid., p.319.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1456	Candra	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Prahatija	Vacha got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasimha Suri.	ibid., p.319.

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Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1456	-	Pippala	Jodhpur. Resident of Gandhara	Śresthi Sanga, wife Śreya and son Mahiraja got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Śri Gunaratna Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.142.
Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1458	-	Bhimapalliya	Dinajpur	Sresthi Arjana, wife Mandoari and son Goid and his wife Maku, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Jayacandra Suri.	ibid., p.146.
Srimāla Jati	A.D. 1458	-	-	Ajmer	San.Rama, wife Shani and son Sagaka got the image of Sri Abhinandananatha made.	ibid., p.129
Srimāla Jnati	A.D. 1458	-	Āgam	Satrunjaya. Resident of Juara.	Donor got an image of Śantinatha made, consecrated by Simhadutta Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.320.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1458	-	Bhimapalliya	Satrunjaya	Sada got an image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri.	ibid., p.320.
Śrimāla Jnāti	A.D. 1458	-	Braharşi	Satrunjaya. Resident of Jhojharu	Sela, son of Śresthī Seta, got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Vimala Sūri.	ibid., p.320.

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Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1459	-	Vrddhatapa Paksa	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.321.
Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1459	-	Madhukara	Sihor, Kathiawad	Vira, wife Banula and son Lalu Kachu Vanara got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Suri.	P.C. Nahar., <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.174.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1460	-	Agam	Satrunjaya. Resident of Lakadiuda.	Sresthi Mahirasi got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Anandaprabha Suri.	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.</u> ,p.322.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1460	-	Brahana	Satrunjaya. Resident of Drangdrahagrama	Sresthi Jesingh got an image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Vimala Suri, disciple of Buddhisagara Suri.	ibid., p.322.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1460	•	Caitra	Satrunjaya. Resident of Boligrama	Sresthī Joga got an image of Suvidhinātha made, consecrated by Bhattāraka Laksmideva Sūri.	ibid., p.321.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1460	<u>.</u>	Purnima Paksa	Kiradu, Mewad	Sa. Baduas and his son and grandson got the image of Ajitanatha made, as asked by Rajatilaka Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.237.

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Śrimala	A.D. 1460		Pūrnimā Pakṣa	Sirohi	Śresthi Bhama, wife Sahi, son Golha, and grandson Pahiraja got the image of Parsvanatha made, conscrated by Punyaratna Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.277.
Śri Śri Jāti	A.D. 1462	Palhayau	-	Satrunjaya	Sa. Bhisa and younger brother Sa. Ghelha got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Mahendra Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.130.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1462	-	<u>-</u>	Abu. Selvada village	Śresthi Munja, wife Siri and son Nanaka and his wife Dhulsi got an image of Śreyansanatha made, consecrated by Gunadhira Suri	<u>APJLS</u> , p.64.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1462	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Jambu	Vya. Gahaga got the image of Ajithanātha made, consecrated by Rājatilaka Sūri disciple of Munitilaka Sūri.	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.323.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1463	-\	-\	Ajmer. Resident of Rajpura.	Sresthi Saranga and Mavaku's son Laiya and grandson Gaiya got the image of Sri Sambhavanātha made, conscrated by Udayavallabha Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I,p.125.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1463	-	Vrahāņa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Valahari	Jutha, son of Ma. Goma and Nau got an image of Sri Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Sri Vira Suri, disciple of Municandra Suri	ibid., p.163.

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Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1464		•	Jaipur. Resident of Ranasana.	Sresthi Bhojaka, wife Bhali, son of sresthi Dharma, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Suvihita Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.32.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1464	-	Pūrņimā Pakṣa	Abu. Dhanari Village Ranasana	Bhuvara, wife Asari and son Sabha, son of Saravana and Sahajala, got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Sadhusundara Suri	<u>APJLS</u> , p.175.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1465	-	Purnima Paksa	Satrunjaya	Poma, wife Kamaku, son of Gopala and Lakhi, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Gunatilaka Suri, disciple of Sagaratilaka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.178.
Śrimala Vamśa	A.D. 1466	-	Vrddhatapa Paksa	Satrunjaya	Ganga got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Dhanesvara Suri, disciple of Jinaratna Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.327.
Srimala Jati	A.D. 1467	-	Brhatapa Paksa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Rajapura	Donor got an image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Gyanasagara Sūri	ibid., p.328.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1467	-	Brahmāniya	Sirohi	Sahita, son of Kalu and Kunthi, grandson of Dharakana and Dharana, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Vimala Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.278.

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Śrimāla J ā ti	A.D. 1467	-	Vibandaniya	Palanpura. Resident of Vidyapur	Ma. Jutha, wife Deru, son of Ma. Laksmidhara and Jasu, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.172.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1468	Naluriya	Тара	Jodhpur. Resident of Divasa	Sa. Manaka, wife Rana and brother Salu and his wife Sodi, sons of Sa. Dasarata and Samini, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.145.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1468	-	Kharatara	Abu	Sa. Rajapala, wife Vanu and son Dhoda, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri.	<u>APrJLS</u> ., p.427.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1468	Ghedariya	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Jinasundara Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.328.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1470	-		Medta, Marwad	Thakkura Raja Bhoja, son of Daha and Jasu, grandson of Vira, got image of Śri Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Sadhuratna Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I,</u> p.185.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1470	-	Madhukara	Sirohi	Sresthī Joga, wife Siri and son Hema got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Dhanaprabha Suri.	ibid., p.276.

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Srimāla Vamsa	A.D. 1471	Cahacahiya	Brhadha	Śatrunjaya	Donor got an image of Śāntinātha made, consecrated by Māṇikyasundara Sūri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.331.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1471	Damba	Śri Palikiya	Satruñjaya	Pan. Gaga got an image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Jina Suri	ibid., p.330
Śrimāla Vamśa	A.D. 1471.	Junivala	Satara	Jaipur	Sa. Sinaraja, son of Sa. Dasa, got the image of Sreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Sri. Jinatilaka Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.29.
Srimala Jani	A.D. 1472		Brhattapa	Abu. Kharadi village	Sresthi Naniya, wife Valhi and Namala and sons Gahiga, Raghava and Thaiya, son of Sresthi Megha and Manika, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Gyanasagar Suri	APJLS., p.2.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1472	-	Āgama	Abu. Dhanari village	Sresthi Mala, wife Mataku and son sresthi Govind and his wife Gurade, got the image of Sri Sumathinatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri.	ibid., p.175.
Srimāla Jnati	A.D. 1473.	•	Purnimā Pakṣa	Śatruñjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Gunadhira Sūri	Munikantisagara. <u>S.V.,</u> p.332.

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Srimāla Jnāti	A.D. 1473	-	Brhattapa	Palitana.Resident of Gandhara	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Vijayaratna Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.</u> , p.333.
Śri Śri Vamsa	A.D. 1473	-	Ancala	Śatruńjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri	ibid., 332.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1473.	-	Pippala	Jaipur. Resident of Ralaja	Mantri Samadara and Shreya's son Bika got an image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Candraprabha Suri, disciple of Gunadeva Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.41.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1473	•	-	Nagaur	Sa. Rana and wife Ragala got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Śri Sanga.	ibid., p.54.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1474	-		Ajmer	Sa. Gola, wife Karmi and son Narabadena, son of Sa. Joga and Jiyani, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Sadhusundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.131.
Srimāla Vamsa	A.D. 1474		Añcala	Palitana	Donor got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> pp.333-4.

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Śrimāla Jnāti	A.D. 1474	-	Pisaphala	Satrunjaya. Resident of Goriadaka	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Śalibhadra Suri	Munikanti sagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.333.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1474	-	Agama	Satrunjaya, Resident of Stambhatirtha	Donor got an image of Suvidinatha made, consecrated by Devaratna Suri, disciple of Jayananda Suri	ibid., p.334.
Śrimala Jñati	A.D. 1475	-	Ancala	Satruñjaya	Lasa, wife Chanaki, son of Vira and Vanu, grandson of Dosi Bhota and Rattu, got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.156.
Srimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1475		Agama	Satrűnjaya. Resident of Stambhatirtha	Saha, wife Rajai and son Pasa, son of Raja and Rajabha got an image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Devaratna Suri, disciple of Jayananda Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.178.
Srimāla Jāti	A.D. 1475	-	Purnima Paksa	Palanpura	Sahija, wife Manu and sons Jutha, Java, son of sresthi Arjan and Havaku, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Srigunatilaka Suri.	ibid., p.172.
Srimāla Vamsa	A.D. 1476	-	Kharatara	Jaipur	Sima, son of Sa. Maman and Lila, got the image of Suparsva made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri	ibid., p.30.

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Srimāla Jati	A.D. 1476	-	Nagendra	Udaipur. Resident of Badecha Sasaravahi	Vya. Mudha, son of Vya. Mela and Kavaku, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Gunadeva Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.229.
Śrimāla Jati	A.D. 1477	Ambika	Caitra	Jaipur	Sresthi Jaga, wife Nathi, son of Vanar and Taku, grandson of Sresthi Candesvara and Kamaku, got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri.	ibid., p.30.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1477	Ambika	Caitra	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Lakşmisagara Suri, disciple of Malayacandra Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.335.
Śrimāla Jāti	A.D. 1479	-	Agama	Sihor, Kathiawad	Sresthi Paravata, son of Toiya and Lakha, got the image of Neminatha made consecrated by Singhadutta Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.174.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1479	-	Nagendra	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Hemaratna Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.336.
Śrimāla Jñati	A.D. 1480	-	Āgama	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Somadeva Suri, disciple of Singhadutta Suri	ibid., p.337.

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Sri Sri Vamsa	A.D. 1482	-	Ancala	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Jayakesa Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.337.
Śri Vamsa	A.D. 1483	• .	Ancala	Śatruńjaya	Amara, wife Amara and brother Ratna, son of Śresthi Guniya and Teju, got an image made, consecrated by Jayakeśa Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.158.
Śrimāla Jñāti	A.D. 1487	-	Brhatapa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Anahilapattana	Donor got an image of Śreyānsanatha made, consecrated by Dharmaratna Sūri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.339.
Śrimaji Vaṃsa	A.D. 1488	-	Añcala	Jaipur	Mahaim Sahasakirana, wife Lalana, son of Jiva and Ramai, grandson of Mahaim Ghoghal and Akai, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Siddhantasagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.31.
Śri Śri Vaṃsa	A.D. 1488	<u>.</u>	Pippala	Satrunjaya. Resident of Ahmadabad	Donor got an image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Padmananda Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.339.
Srimala Jñati	A.D. 1488	-	Purnima Paksa	Śatruńjaya. Resident of Livagrama	Sahija, son of Mahaim Devasi and Delahana, and his son Gangadasa got an image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Soubhagyaratna Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.178.

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Śrimāla Jnāti	A.D. 1489	-	Āgama	Satrunjaya. Resident of Aliyana.	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Muniratna Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> pp.339-340.
Srimāla	A.D. 1490	-	Maghukara Kharatara	Medta, Marwad	Kamalasiha, wife Chada, son of Do. Dasa, grandson of Do. Ghanya and Salashu, great grandson of Do. Siva and Heli, got the image of Sri Sitala made.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.183.
Śrimala Jati	A.D. 1491	•	Тара	Satrunjaya. Resident of Gandhara	Donor got an image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by a Suri.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.340.
Srimāla Jati	A.D. 1492	-	Vrhattapa Paksa	Osian. Resident of Gandhara.	Sa. Lojaka, wife Bharma, son of Sa. Siva and Manik, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Udayasagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.197.
Srimāla Jhāti	A.D. 1492	-	Caitra	Satruñjaya	Ganapati, son of Vava and Pomi, grandson of Govala and Apu, got an image consecrated by Somadeva Suri.	ibid., p.156.
Sri Sri Jañati	A.D. 1492	•	Caitra	Palitana. Resident of Kumada.	Donor got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Somadeva Sūri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.341.

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Śrimāla Jñáti	A.D. 1492	-	Caitra	Palitana	Donor got an image of Candraprabhasvami made, consecrated by Somadeva Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.341.
Srimāla Jati	A.D. 1500		-	Abu. Lowala village	So. Anad, wife Phaki and sons Gada and Jiva got the image of Candraprabhasvami made, consecrated by Gunatilaka Suri	<u>APJLS</u> , p.65.
Usabha	A.D. 1208	-	-	Belar, Marwad,	Sresthi Maga, wife Rajamati and sons and grandsons, son of sresthi Parsva and Dulhevi, got a Stambha constructed.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.221.
Ukesa	A.D. 1292	-	•	Junaveda, Marwad	Sresthī Janasiha, son of sresthī Velhu and Demala, got the image of Pārsvanatha made, consecrated by Devagupta Sūri.	ibid., p.245.
Ukesa	A.D. 1314	Vesata	-	Satrunjaya	Sanghapati Sadhu Desala, son of Ajada, along with his family members setup and image of Saccikadevi. Desala was the younger brother of Asadhara and Lunasimha. Mantri Samara Simha, known for his 13th century restoration at Satrunjaya, was one of his sons.	A.P.Shah, "Some inscriptions and images on Mount Satrunjaya", in <u>Sri Mahavira Jaina Vidyalaya golden Jubilee Volume,</u> Bombay 1989, p.166.
Upakesa Gaccha	A.D. 1321	Linga	-	Alwar	Sa. Khimbhghairsirapala and sons got the image of Śri Śāntinātha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.274. ्

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Uesa Gaccha	A.D. 1323	-	•	Bikaner	Śresthi Dehakama, son of - and Mosala, got the image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Śri Kakkā Sūri, son of Śri Kukudācarya	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u> , II, p.71.
Uesa Gaccha	A.D. 1347	Tathad	-	Jaipur	Sa. Chaduk, son of Sa. Jaj and Brahma, got the image of Rsabha made, consecrated by Sri Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.97.
Osvāla Jñāti	A.D. 1357	-	-	Śatrunjaya	Vya. Palahana's grandson got the image of Mahavira made.	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.300.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1368	Navalaksa	. <u>.</u>	Nagda, Mewad	Sa. Karaka, wife Hema, son of Sadhu Śri Ramadeva and Malhanadevi, got the images of 7 Jinas established, consecrated Śri Jina Sagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.244.
Upakesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1396	-	Karathara	Nagaur	Sresthi Kelha, son of Sresthi Bada and brother of Kumarapala and Depala, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Jinavardhana Suri	ibid., p.44.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1401	Kekadiya	-	Nagaur	Jesa, wife Jasma, got the image of Candraprabhasvāmi made, consecrated by Dharmadeva Sūri, disciple of Śri Dhanadeva Sūri	ibid., p.45.

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Ukesa Jati	A.D. 1412	Тара	Śri Saṇḍera	Medta, Marwar	Sa. Ghadasi, son of Dilha and Chilahana, grandson of Lasma and Lakhana and greatgrandson of Lalna and Lalana, got the image of Vasupūjya made, consecrated by Šri Sumati Sūri, son of Šri Yasobhadra Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.183.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1412	Navalsa	Kharatara	Jaipur	Sa. Saghara got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.26.
Upakesa Gaccha	A.D. 1413	-		Palitana	Sah. Bhama got the image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Devagupta Suri, disciple of Kundakundacarya of Trivala	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V</u> ., p.304.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1414	Vāpaņa	Uesa	Medta, Marwad	Sa. Sohada, son of Dada, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Sri Devagupta Suri	P.C.Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.187.
UKesa Vamsa	A.D. 1419	Bajahad	Pallivāla	Jasol, Marwad	Sa. Bharamale, wife Bharama, son of Karma and Kurma and grandson of Asadara and great grandson of Sa. Seta, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Sri Yasodeva Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I,</u> II, p.227.
Osvāla Jñāti	A.D. 1426	Sansala	Dharmagosa •	Satrunjaya	Simharaja, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri, disciple of Malayacandra Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.306.

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Osvala Jati	A.D. 1426	Katariya	-	Sirohi	Kothari Bahau Samant, son Sa. Nanekonarapati and his wife Demai and grandsons Sa. Ukade, Pasade, Punasi and Mane got a Devakulika established, consecrated by Śri Devasundara Sūri's disciple Somasundara Sūri's disciple Munisundara Sūri's disciple Jayasundara Sūri's disciple Bhuvanasundara Sūri	P.C. Nahar, J.I., I, p.272.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1426	-	Ancala	Sirohi. Resident of Patan	Sa. Teja, wife Tejala and sons Sa. Dida, Sa. Sima, Sa. Bhura, Sa. Kala and Sa. Ganga and grandsons, son of Sa. Salasana and grandson of Sa. Sangrama. Sa. Narasimha, wife Kaunig and sons Sa. Pasadatta and Sa. Devadutta. Teja and Narasimha got the entrance constructed of the Māhavīra Caitya, consecrated by Sri Jayakirti Suri, disciple of Merutunga Suri	ibid., p.271.
Usvāla Jati	A.D. 1426	-	Тара	Sirohi. Resident of Kalanagara	Sa. Samarasi and Sa. Mosasi, sons of Sa. Jayata and Tilaka and grandson of Sa. Ghanasi, got a Devakulika established, consecrated by Sri Bhuvanasundara Suri, disciple of Sri Jayacandra Suri, disciple of Munisundara Suri, disciple of Somasundara Suri, disciple of Nayakadevasundara Suri	ibid., p.272.
Osvāla Jati	A.D. 1426	-	Тара	Sirohi. Resident of Kalavanagara	Sa. Amasi, son of Sa. Ratan and Viru, grandson of Ma. Malusi, got a Devakulika established, consecrated by Sri Bhuvanasundara Suri.	ibid., p.272.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1428	Googliya	Sanderaka	Ajmer	Sa. Mahun and sons Sona, Nema and Nonk/wife Lasi got the image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Santi Suri	ibid., p.128.
Ukesa Jāti	A.D. 1430	Tivata	Ukesa	Ajmer. Resident of Vesata	Sa. Sachvira, wife Setta and son Deva, son of Dadu and Anupa, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Sidha Suri, son of Kukudacarya	ibid., p.128.

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Osa Vamsa	A.D. 1433	-	Añcala	Nagaur	Sa. Jesa, wife Jasu and sons Poma and Sana, son of Sa. Ajiya, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Jayakirti Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I</u> ., II, p.46.
Usa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1434	-	Añcala	Satruñjaya	Jesa got an image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Jayakirti Suri	Munikantisagara, S.V.,p.306.
Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1434	Sankhvalecha	Korantvala	Sirohi	Jana, son of Napasi, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Sri Sambhadeva.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.,277.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1434	Lusad	Dharmagoşa	Ajmer	Sa. Vahdeva, son of Sa. Devaraja and Hamsreya, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Padmasekhara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.129.
Usa Vamsa	A.D. 1436	Bohad •	Kharatara	Śatruńjaya	Sanda got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Jinasagara Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.307.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1436	-	-	Sirohi	Ma. Kaja, wife Bhalli, son of Ma. Mandana and Siriyan, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Dhanaprabha Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.277.
Upakesa Jati	A.D.1436		-	Nagaur	Sa. Megha, wife Anupama, son of Sa. Taha and Karma, got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Amaracandra Suri	ibid., p.46.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1436	-	-	Nagaur	Sa. Puja, son of Sa. Vaham, got the image of Sri Vira made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri	ibid., p.46.

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Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1436	Pavicha	Brhat	Jodhpur	Sa. Kumbha, wife Kamala, son of Sa. Vira and Vilhana, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Hemacandra Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.144.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1436	-	Ancala	Satruñjaya	Sa. Hanka got the image of Pārsvanātha made, consecrated by Jayakirti Sūri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.307.
Upakesa Jnati	A.D. 1437	-	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Vijaya Suri	ibid., p.307.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1437	Tathad	•	Ajmer	Samanta Sobha, son of Suhada and Suhada and grandson of Reda and Hima and great grandson of Vikam and Devala, got the image of Sumathinatha made, consecrated by Simha Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.,124.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1438	-	Kharatara	Nagaur	Sa. Mongrasi, wife Dalha, son of Sa. Mandalik and Fadaku, got the image Munisvrata made, consecrarted by Jinasagara Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.46.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1439	-	Kharatara	Kiradu, Merwad	Sa. Bhima, Visala and Ranapala, son of Sa. Vanavira and grandsons of Sa. Majana, established a Devakulika, consecrated by Manigsagara Sūri, disciple of Jinacandra Sūri, disciple of Jinavardhana Sūri	ibid., p.243.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1439	-	Bokamiya	Nagaur	Vya. Udharana, wife Depu, son of Vya. Saka and Campu, got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Dharmatilaka Sūri	ibid., p.46.
Upakdes 🏊 a Jñáti	A.D. 1441	-	Upakesa	Satruñjaya	Donor got an image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Kakkasuri	Münikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.308.

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Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1442	-	Kharatara	Udayapur	Soma, son of Sa. Bhuda and Ratanu and the grandson of Sa. Jhauna, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.231.
Upakeśa Jnati	A.D. 1442	Dharkaţa	Brhad	Jaipur	Sa. Lasa, wife Gajasihi and son Baliraja, son of Sa. Hariraja, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Ratnaprabha Suri	ibid., p.39.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1444	Karm a di ya	Kharatara	Nagaur	Sa. Vitha and son Sa. Dhana and grandsons got the image of Suvidinatha made, consecrated by Jinasagara Suri	ibid., p.47.
Upakesa Jñati	A.D. 1444	Lolaşa	Gyankapa	Jaipur	Sa. Dhanarama, wife Arpu, son of Al and Jaku and grandson of Kanha and Karmasiri, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Santi Suri.	ibid., p.27.
Ukesa Jāti	A.D. 1444	_	Caitra	Jaipur	Sa. Seta, wife Rani and son Pancayana and his wife Monti, son of Karma and Sagu, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Munitilaka Suri	ibid., p.27.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1444	Parikasa	Kharatara	Satruñjaya	Karma and his family got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri	Munikantisagar a, <u>S.V</u> . p.310
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1444	-	Samer	Jaipur	Sa. Kalu, wife Vahi and son Kanha and his wife Saru, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Santi Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.27.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1444	Lodha	Rudrapalliya	Alwar	Sa. Hansa, son of Sa. Puna, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri, disciple of Devasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.275.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1444	Avināga	Ukeśa	Balotara	Sa. Vilha, wife Deva, son of Sa. Kalu, got the image of Sreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Kumkuma Sūri, son of Kukkudācarya	ibid., p.175.
Usvāla Jñāti	A.D. 1446	-	Harīja	Satrunjaya	Vasta, son of śresthi Deva, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Mahesvara Suri	Munikantisagar a, <u>S.V.</u> , p.311.

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Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1448	-	Vidhipaksa	Palitana	Sa. Susravaka got an image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesa Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.312.
Usvāla Jñāti	A.D. 1448.	Bhandari	Dharmagoşa	Śatrunjaya	Ghinasahadeva got an image of Ādinātha made,consecrated by Sadhuratna Sūri.	ibid., p.312.
Upakesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1448	-	Añcala	Satrunjaya	Sa. Sai and family got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Jayakesa Suri.	ibid., p.312.
Ukesa Jati	A.D. 1449	Velahasa	•	Nana, Marwad	Sa. Ratan, wife Ratna and sons got the image of Sri Vira made, consecrated by Santi Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.230.
Ukesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1449	-	Vidhipakşa	Śatrunjaya	Susravaka, son of Sa. Saia and Siria and brothers Sa. Mahiraja, Hararaja, Pagharaja, and wife Kanhai got an image made, consecrated by Jayakesa Suri	ibid., p.155.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1450	Jadham	Brhad	Jaipur	Magaraja, son of Sandansiha and Dadah got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Sagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.28.
Osa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1450	Nāhar	Dharmagoşa	Bikaner	Sa. Tejapala, son of Hema and Hemasiri, got the image of Suvidhinatha made.	ibid., p.72.
Osa Vamsa	A.D. 1450	Nāhar	Kharatara	Medta, Marwad	Va. Hiyati, son of Va. Seta and Setala and grandson of Hir and Hira, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Jinasagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.185.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1450	Jaranuda	-	Godhpur	Sa. Sahadeva, son of Sa. Giraraja and grandson of Sa. Simapala, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Hemahansa Suri	ibid., p.145.

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Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1451	Suchinti	-	Bikaner	Sa. Dhanna and Amari's son Sa. Tolu got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.64.
Uesa Vamsa	A.D. 1451	-	Ancala	Jaipur	Sa. Kenha, son of Sa. Hauda and Aluna, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesari Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.135.
Usvāla Jāti	A.D. 1452	Surāna	Raja	Jaipur	Sa. Sivaraja, son of Lasana and Sasana, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Padmananda Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.32.
Upakesa Gaccha	A.D. 1452	Karmmar	Upakesa	Satrunjaya	Sa. Ghadsiha got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.</u> , p.316.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1452	Nāhara	Kharatara	Balotara	Sa. Sahaja, son of Sa. Dharma and Dhanai, got the image of Vasupūjya made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Sūri, disciple of Jinaraja Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.175.
Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1452	Dagalika	Koranta	Palanpura	Sa. Pasavira, wife Sampora, son of Sa. Dhina and Varu, got the image of Sambhava made, consecrated by Saradeva Suri, disciple of Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.173.
Osa Vamsa	A.D. 1452	-	Kharatara	Nagaur	Sa. Mahipala, wife Rupi and sons Teja and Vasta, got the image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.48.
Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1452	Airi	Upakeśa	Nagaur	Sa. Sunaka, son of Sa. Giriraja and Suguna and grandson of Sa.Luna, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Kakkā Sūri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.48.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1452	Śresthi	-	Nagaur	Parvata, son of Parasa and Palhana and grandson of Pasad and Jainala and great grandson of Sa. Kursi, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Kukudācarya's son Kakkā Sūri.	ibid., p.48.

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Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1452	-	Khartara	Bikaner	Sa. Sahasa and sons, son of Sa. Puna, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Suri, disciple of Jinaraja Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.64.
Uesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1452	-	Ancala	Jaipur	Sa. Kenha, son of Sa. Hauda and Aluna, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesa Suri	P.c. Nahar, <u>J.l.,</u> I, p.135.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1452	Sahu	Kharatara	Palanpursa	Sa. Satala, wife Sansara and son Hema, son of Sa. Tuna and Bhupa, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Jinasagara Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, pp.171-2.
Osa Vamsa	A.D. 1452	-	-	Nagaur	Sa. Maka, son of Sa. Hata and Ranga, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sadhu Suri	ibid., p.48.
Usvāla Jnati	A.D. 1453	Sresthi	Upakeśa	Satrunjaya	Mahajani Karmana got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by gacchanayaka Kakka Suri	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.316.
Usavamsa	A.D. 1453	Bobha	Karşnarşi	Satrunjaya	Valaha got the image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Prasanacandra Sūri	ibid., p.316.
Upakesa Gaccha	A.D. 1453	Bhand	Upakesa	Bikaner	Sa. Seta, son of Sindhara and Jethi and grandson of Sa. Saranga and Talhi, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.64.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1454	Ādityanā r a	-	Udayapur	Sa. Lasa, wife Adhaku and sons, son of Suvernapala and Somasri and grandson of Sa. Jhasa and Jhabasri, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri, son of Kukudacarya.	ibid., p.232.
Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1454	-	Koranta	Nagaur	Shah Thakursi, wife Janu, son of Shah Asa and Ahvide, got the image of Adinātha made, consecrated by Saradeva Sūri.	ibid., p.48.

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Usvāla Jnati	A.D. 1454	-	Bhimapalliya Purnimapaksa	Satrunjaya	Mahaim Puna got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Udayacandra Suri	Munikantisagara , <u>S.V.</u> , p.318.
Osvala Gotra	A.D. 1454	-	-	Jaipur	Sa. Sipa, wife Solesa, son of Sa. Mahna and Mahna, got the image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I; p.97.
Usvāla Jāti	A.D. 1455	Chhajhad	Palli	Ajmer	Pu. Harlan, wife Sarata and her mother Dasada, son of Pu. Ranapala and Kapuri, got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Yas Suri.	ibid., p.125.
Usvāla Jāti	A.D. 1455	Khadbad	Mālādhara	Alwar	Sa. Palha, wife Palhi and sons got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Gunasundara Suri.	ibid., p.275.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1455	Ādityanāga	Upakesa	Nagaur	Sa. Devella, Hansa and Pasadeva, sons of Sa. Suhana and Sona and grandsons of Sa. Teja, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.49.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1455	Ādityanāga	Upakesa	Jaipur	Sa. Dasarata, son of Jyelha and Devahi and grand son of Sa. Simha, got the image of Anantanatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri.	ibid., p.28.
Osvāla Jnati	A.D. 1455	-	Bhimapalliya Purnimapaksa	Satrunjaya	Asudatta, son of Ma. Puna and Mela, got an image made, consecrated by Jayacandra Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.163.
Usvāla Jnāti	A.D. 1456	-	Тара	Satrunjaya	Pata got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri.	Munikantisagara , <u>S.V.</u> , p.319.
Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1456	Manamalecha	Brhat	Nagaur	Sa. Maha, son of Ranamala and Ratna and grandson of Sa. Vuhath and Vahana, got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Kamalaprabha Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.50.

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Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1456	Kasyat	•	Kiradu, Mewad	Sa. Chadasi, son of Sa. Dhana and Sasma, got the image of Sumatinatha made	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.237.
Ukesa Jati	A.D. 1456	-	-	Pali, Marwad	Sa. Kshema, wife Selakhu, son of Sa.Mada and Valha, got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.201.
Usvala Jati	A.D. 1456	Lodha	Rangpalliya	Nagaur	Sa. Bharahu, son of Sa. Hammu and Sehmai and grandson of Sa. Bhuchara and Saru, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.60.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1456	-	Nagendra	Sirohi	Kothari Megha, wife Hiru and sons got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Vinayaprabha Suri	ibid., p.277.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1458	-	Maladhara	Jaipur	Sa. Dhina, wife Fai and sons got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by a Suri	ibid., p.29.
Ukeśa	A.D. 1458	Lodha	-	Junaveda, Marwad	Sa. Virapala, wife Ganghi and sons, son of Sa. Jhanjhu and Sravika, got the image of the Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Ratnasekhara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.246.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1458	Dhull	Kharatara	Medta, Marwad	Sa.Pasa, wife Rupa and son Puja, son of Sa. Sardul and Suhava, got the image of Śantinatha made, consecrated by Jinabhadra Sūri	ibid., p.183.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1458	Vachchas	Тара	Jaipur	Sa. Ghina, wife Fai and sons got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by a Suri.	ibid., p.134.
Ukesá Vamsa	A.D. 1459	Buhra	Kharatara	Ajmer	Sa.Naga, wife Nayaka and sons, son of Sa. Sodha and Sani, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri	ibid., p.130.

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Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1459	-	Kharatara	Bikaner	Sa. Bhada, son of Sa. Dhanadatta and Thakana and grandson of Sa. Vacharaja, got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri	P.C. Nahar, J.I., p.64.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1459	-	Brahmaniya	Jodhpur	Ma. Seta, son of Sanda and Valhana and grandson of Nuna and Manika, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Udayaprabha Suri	P.C. Nahar, J.I., I, p.137.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1460	Lunakada	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Sah. Samadhara, son of Asa and Chai and grandson of Sah. Devaraja who was the son of Sah. Gujara, got an image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Vivekaratna Suri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.177.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1460	Doogam	-	Nagaur	Sa. Nagaraja, wife Navalana and sons, son of Suhama and Gunapalasri, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri	ibid., p.50.
Ukesa Jāti	A.D. 1460	Vinvata	-	Jasol, Marwad	Sa.Sahana, wife Sansara, son of Sulalita and Lalata and grandson of Sa. Srivatsa, got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	ibid., p.227.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1461	Chorvediya	Uesa	Ajmer. Resident of Sinora	Isa, son of Sadhu Suhaga and grandson of Sa. Soma and Dhanai, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Kakka Suri	P.C. Nahar, J.I., I, p.130.
Ukesa	A.D. 1461	Subha	-	Bikaner	Sa. Karma, son of sresthi Punad and Fati and grandson of sresthi Asadhara, got the image of Prathama Tirthankara made, consecrated by Sri Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.65.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1462	-	Тара	Mewad	Sresthi Javala, wife Gola and sons, son of sresthi Poma and Pomi, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri, son of Somasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.148.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1464	•	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Suvihita Suri	Munikantisa gara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.325.

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Usvala Jñati	A.D. 1464	-	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Asadali	Donor got an image of Parsvanatha made, consecrated by Jayacandra Suri, disciple of Prasannacandra Suri	Munikantisagara S.V., p.325.
Ukesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1466	-	-	Ajmer	Ajmer Jesa, wife Dharmini and son and grandsons got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Sri Laksmisagara Suri	
Upakesa Gaccha	A.D. 1466	Vayara	Añcala	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Sūri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.327.
Upakesa Jnati	A.D. 1466	Haříja	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Vaghali	Sresthi Sakha got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Mahesvara Suri	ibid., p.326.
Upakesa Jnati	A.D. 1467	Suchinti	Upakesa	Satrunjaya	Mahaim Medha got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Bhattaraka Kakka Suri	ibid., p.328.
Ukesa Jnati	A.D. 1467	-	Saṇḍera	Satrunjaya	Mahaim Hansa got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by a Suri	ibid., p.327.
Ukesa Jñati	A.D. 1468	<u>.</u>	Ukesa	Palitana	Śresthī Depala got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Siddha Suri, son of Siddhacarya	ibid., p.329.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1468	Tridugad	Rudrapalliya	Balotara	Mahaim Panarapasa, son of Vachraja and Kammi got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Somasundara Suri, disciple of Devasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.176.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1469	Valatya	Upakesa	Alwar	Surajalasimha, son of Raul got the image of Vasupujya made, consecrated by Kakkasuri.	ibid., p.276.

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Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1469	Nahara	Dharmagoşa	Alwar	Rulha, wife Rajala, son of Seta, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Mahendra Sūri	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.276
Osa Vamsa	A.D. 1470	Dhaneriya	Pallivala	Ajmer	Sah. Vika, wife Vilhana and sons, son of Sah. Bhahad, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Nanna Suri	ibid., p.126.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1470	-	Añcala	Nagaur	Tavaja, wife Ahala and son Niba and his wife Mani got the image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Jayakesara Sūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.60.
Ukesa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1470	-	Koranta	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Saradeva Sūri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.330.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1471	Ādityanāga	Upakesa	Jodhpur	Sayara, wife Mehini and sons, son of Jasu and Jayasiri, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Devagupta Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.146.
Ukeśa Vomśa	A.D. 1471	Kurkuta	Kharatara	Jodhpur	Sadasamall, son of Vya. Tola and Setala, got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Sūri.	ibid., p.142.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1471	Sankhvala	Kharatara	Alwar	Sa. Udharanacela, son of Sa. Medha, got the image of Śāntinātha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Sūri	ibid., p.276.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1471	•	•	Satrunjaya	Raja, son of Sah. Chacha and Mayari, got an image made.	ibid., p.156.
Upakesa Jn āti	A.D. 1471	•	-	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Jinaharşa Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.300.

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Usa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1472	-	Тара	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Hemasamudra Sūri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.331.
Ukesa Jāti	A.D. 1472	Danavata	Dharmagoşa	Medta, Marwad	Sa. Bhima, wife Arma got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Padmananda Suri, disciple of Pragya Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.188.
Ukesa	A.D. 1472	Bhogara	Nagendra	Pali, Marwad	Sa. Rana, wife Ratna and sons and grandsons got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Somaratna Sūri	ibid., p.201.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1472	Samlecha	-	Jaipur	Sa. Mohanharata, son of Sa. Bhasara and Bhavala and grandson of Sa. Sadul and Megha, got the image of Padmaprabha Suri made, consecrated by Vajresvara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.29.
Osvāia	A.D. 1474	•	Saratara	Jaipur	Sa. Sansara, wife Sita and sons, son of Sa.Dapa and Harasama, got an image of Ananta made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri.	ibid., p.39.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1474	•	Añcala	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Śantinatha made, consecrated by Jayakesari Sūri	Munikantisagara., S.V., p.333.
Ukeśa Jńati	A.D. 1474	-	Brahaniya	Śatrunjaya	Donor got an image of Śreyansanātha made, consecrated by Udayaprabha Sūri.	ibid., p.,333.
Usa Vaṃsa	A.D. 1474	Lodha	Brhad	Jaipur	Sa. Hasaka, with his brothers and sons, son of Sa. Nilha and Soni and grandson of Sa. Chahad and Delha, got the image of Ajithanatha made.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.42.
Uesa Vamsa	A.D. 1475	Chanamaliya	-	Nagaur	Sa. Ratnapala, son of Sa. Pahiraja and Palhana and grandson of Sa. Sohil and Marhagi, got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Punya Suri.	ibid., p.54.

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Upakesa Jāti	A.D. 1475	-	Jivapalliya	Jodhpur	Urajana, wife Raun and son Bhide and his wife Bhavala got the image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Sagara Suri, disciple of Udayacandra Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> I, p.138.
Ukeśa	A.D. 1475	Googaliya	Sandera	Pali, Marwad	Sa. Kaja, wife Ratna and sons, son of Khima, got an image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Jisobhadra Suri	ibid., p.201.
Ukesa Varnsa	A.D. 1475	-	Ancala	Satruñjaya	Mara Susravaka, wife Rajai, son of Sa. Jahata and Jahata, got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Jayakesara Suri.	ibid., p.158.
Ukeśa	A.D. 1476	-	Kharatara	Satrunjaya. Resident of Kotadigramma	Donor got an image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Jinaharsa Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.335.
Osavaṃśa	A.D. 1476	Babel	• ·	Nagaur	Sha. Deda, son of Sha. Kheta and Khetasri, got the image of Abhinandananatha made, consecrated by Gunanidana Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.54.
Upakesa Jäti	A.D. 1477	Dharavahi	Тара	Nagaur	Ma. Kanha, wife Hima and sons got the image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Punyavardhana Suri	ibid., p.55.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1477	Katariya	Satara	Nagaur	Samarasimha, son of Bhapacha and Palhana, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri.	ibid., p.54.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1477	Jahada	Kharatara	Nagaur	Sa. Kharah, wife Nivini and sons, son of Sa. Nugacha, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Sūri	ibid., p.55.
Ukesa Varnsa	A.D. 1477	-	Kharatara	Ajmer	Sa. Puna Sravaka, son of Sa. Niva and Puji, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.131.

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Ukeśa Jāti	A.D. 1477		Тара	Ajmer. Resident of Sadaganagara	Sa. Lasa, wife Lila, son of Sa. Sajana and Taru, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Lakşmisagara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.133.
Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1477	Nahar	Dharmagosa	Nagaur	Sha. Vika, wife Vikala and son Kesava, son of Sha. Chaham and Haraku, got an image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Laksmisagara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.60.
Ukeśa	A.D. 1477	Chrdaliya	-	Pali, Marwad	Sa. Deva, wife Dadim and son Asa and his wife Uma, son of Sa. Siva and Sahaga, got the image of Sambhavanātha made, consecrated by Śri Śūri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.,202.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1477	Vanbha	Mälädhara	Bikaner	Virini, wife of Sa. Valla and mother of Sa. Sachchu, got the image of Kunthunatha made, consecrated by Gunavimala Suri.	P.C. Nahar <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.65.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1477	Bothara	Kharatara	Nagaur	Sha. Thaha, wife Suhaga and son Delha, son of Sha. Jesa, got the image of Śreyānsanātha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Sūri	ibid., p.60.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1477	Gandhara	Kharatara	Pali, Marwad	Sa. Bhoja Susravaka, his son Koka and brother Pada, son of Sadhu Pasad and Lakhma, got the image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.202.
Upakeśa Jāti	A.D. 1478	Ayar	-	Nagaur	Sa. Chanuth, wife Mayalaha and son Mula, son of Sa. Jhanjha, got the image of Padmaprabha made, consecrated by Devargupta Sūri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.55.
Usa Vamsa	A.D. 1479	-	Koranta	Satrunjaya. Resident of Stambhatirtha	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Saradeva Suri, disciple of Kakka Suri	Munikantis agara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.336.
Ukesa Jhati	A.D. 1479	•	Palliv āl a	Śatrunjaya. Resident of Mahisananagara	Donor got an image of Ādinātha made, consecrated by Arjuna Sūri	ibid., p.326.

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Osvāla	A.D. 1479	Dhami .	Gyankiya	Bikaner	Sa. Devaraja, son of Bhola and Bhavala and grandson of Padma and Premala, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Dhanesvara Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, P.65.
Ukeśa	A.D. 1479	-	Kharatara	Bikaner	Sa. Asaraja, son of Sa. Dulha, got the image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri.	ibid., p.65.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1480	Vahara	Kharatara	Balotara	Sa. Dahatth, wife Purai and sons, son of Sa. Kuta and Lasma and grandson of Abhayasimha, got the image of Dharmanatha made, consecrated by Jinasamudra Suri, disciple of Jinacandra Suri, disciple of Jinabhadra Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.176.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1485	Karmadiya	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Jinaharsa Suri	Munikantisagar, <u>S.V.,</u> p.338.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1485	Gosataka	-	Satrunjaya. Resident of Sri Mandapa	Donor got an image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Jinaharsa Suri	ibid., p.338.
Ukesa Jati	A.D. 1485	Singhamiya	-	Jaipur	Sa. Mamu, son of San. Sa. Kada and Jayata and grandson of San. Rama, got the image of Munisuvrata made, consecrated by Meruprabha Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.39.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1487	Sakariya	Kharatara	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Kuntunatha made, consecrated by Jinasamudra Stri	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.339.
Upakeśa Jāti	A.D. 1488	Sresth	-	Bikaner	Chaha, son of Jaita and Jiva and grandson of Sah. Asa and Isara, got the image of Sreyansanatha made, consecrated by Kamalacandra Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.72.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1489	Sresthi	•	Nagaur	Sa. Simha, wife Singara and son Vinjha got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Devagupta Suri.	ibid., p.56.

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Usvāla Jnāti	A.D. 1490	-	Dwivandanika	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Siddha Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.</u> , p.340.
Usvāla Jnāti	A.D. 1490		Dwivandanika	Satruñjaya. Resident of Varijagrama	Donor got an image of Neminatha made, consecrated by Siddha Sūri	ibid.,p.340.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1491	Sankhavalecha	Sandera	Śatruńjaya	Donor got an image of Vasupujiya made, consecrated by Sumati Suri.	ibid., p.341.
Ukeśa Jnati	A.D. 1493	Pihareva	Usvāla	Śatruńjaya	Donor got an image of Suvidhinatha made, conscrated by Devagupata Suri, disciple of Kakka Suri	ibid., p.342.
Ukesa Jnati	A.D. 1493	Pihareva	-	Śatruńjaya	Sah. Bhavad and wife Bharma got the image of Suvidhinatha made, consecrated by Devagupta Suri, disciple of Kakka Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , I, p.156.
Usvala Jnati	A.D. 1495	•	Dharmagosa	Satrunjaya	Donor got an image of Adinatha made,consecrated by Punyavidhi Suri, disciple of Kamalaprabha Suri	Munikanti Sagar, S.V., p.342.
Usvāla Jāti	A.D. 1495	-	Тара	Bikaner	Sa. Paravata, son of Paravata and Amara and grandson of Sa. Munj and Muja, got the image of Vimalanatha made, consecrated by Hemavimala Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , II, p.66.
Osvāla Jāti	A.D. 1495	-	Vrddhatapa Paksa	Nagaur	Thakkurasiha, wife Girsu, son of Ma. Saheja and Kelhi, got the image of the Adinatha made, consecrated by Jinasundara Suri.	ibid., p.56.
Usvala Jก็ลีti	A.D. 1496	-	Тара	Palitana	Donor got an image of Sambhavanatha made, consecrated by Hemavimala Suri	Munikantisagara, S.V., p.342.

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Upakesa Jati	A.D. 1497	Mandovara	Dharmagosa	Jodhpur	Suhava, wife of Sa. Sura and sons Sivakarana and Vijayapala, got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Punyavardhana Suri.	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> I, p.140.
Ukesa Jāti	A.D. 1498	Kakrecha	Sandera	Pali, Marwad	Uda, wife Rupi and son Vala and his wife Vaharanga, son of Sah. Jarmala, got the image of Candraprabha made, consecrated by Santi Suri, son of Jasibhadra Suri	ibid., p.202.
Upakesa Vamsa	A.D. 1498	Medtavala	Harşapuriya	Nagaur	Sha. Sravana, wife Saliga, son of Sha. Sahasa and grandson of Shah Pagarsiha, got the image of Ajitanatha made, consecrated by Gunasundara Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.,</u> II, p.56.
Usv ล ีใa Jnati	A.D. 1498	-	Brhatapa	Satrunjaya. Resident of Stambhatirtha	Donor got an image of Adinatha made, consecrated by Udayasagara Suri.	Munikantisagara <u>S.V.,</u> p.344.
Ukesa Jati	A.D. 1499	Venchacha	Sandera	Ajmer	Ma. Nima got the image of Santinatha made, consecrated by Santi Suri	P.C. Nahar, <u>J.I.</u> , p.132.
Ukesa Vamsa	A.D. 1500	Gandhi	Mālādhara	Palitana	Donor got an image of Sumatinatha made, consecrated by Lakşmisagara Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.344.
Upakeśa Jñati	A.D. 1500	Vardhana	Pallivāla	Palitana	Donor got an image of Sitalanatha made, consecrated by Udyotana Suri, disciple of Nanna Suri	Munikantisagara, <u>S.V.,</u> p.345.

