composition or literary work (such as the Mahā-bhārata, Rāmāyaṇa, Raghu-vaṇśa, &c.); a principal sentence, great proposition, epithet of twelve mystical utterances of the Upanishads (e. g. *tattvam asi, aham brahmāsmi, brahmaivedaṃ sarvam*, &c., especially of the mystic words *Tattvam* and *Om*); N. of an Upanishad. — *Mahā-vāta, as*, m. a great or stormy wind, strong blast. — *Mahāvāta-vyādhi, is*, m. a great or severe nervous disorder. — *Mahā-vātsapra, am*, n., N. of a Sāman. — *Mahā-vādin, ī*, m. a great controversialist. — *Mahā-vāmadevya, am*, n., N. of a Sāman. — *Mahā-vāyu, us*, m. a great gale or storm, tempestuous wind, strong blast; air (as an element). — *Mahā-vārāha*, N. of a work. — *Mahā-vāruṇī*, f. the festival on the thirteenth day of the moon's decrease in the month Caitra. — *Mahā-vārttika, am*, n. 'the great Vārttika or critical commentary,' epithet of Kātyāyana's Vārttikas on the Sūtras of Pāṇini; [cf. *māhāvārttika.*] — *Mahā-vārshikā*, f. a species of plant. — *Mahā-vālabhida, am*, n., N. of a particular Śastra or hymn. — *Mahā-vāhana*, a particular high number. — *Mahā-vikrama, as, ā, am*, very valorous or courageous, very heroic; (*as*), m., N. of a lion; of a Nāga. — *Mahā-vikramin, ī*, m., N. of a Bodhi-sattva. — *Mahā-vighna, as*, m. a great obstacle. — *Mahā-vijña, as, ā, am*, very wise or intelligent. — *Mahā-videha*, N. of a sacred district; (*ā*), f. (in the Yoga system) epithet of a certain *vṛitti* or condition of the *manas* or mind. — *Mahā-vidyā*, f. a great or exalted science; a form of Durgā. — *Mahā-vidyut-prabha, as*, m., N. of a Nāga. — *Mahā-vidyeśvarī* (°*yā-īś*°), f., N. of a goddess (perhaps a form of Durgā). — *Mahā-vipulā*, f. a kind of Āryā metre. — *Mahā-vibhāshā*, f. a general alternative, a rule containing a general alternative. — *Mahā-vibhāshā-śāstra, am*, n. title of a book. — *Mahā-vibhūta*, a particular high number. — *Mahā-vibhūti, is, is, i*, possessing superhuman power; (*is*), m. epithet of Vishṇu. — *Mahā-vimbara*, a particular high number. — *Mahā-virāva, as, ā, am*, loud-sounding, far-resounding, (according to Malli-nātha = *dirgha-śabda.*) — *Mahā-vila* = *mahā-bila.* — *Mahā-vivāha*, a particular high number. — *Mahā-viśishṭa, as, ā, am* (said to be for *mahad-viśishṭa*), greatly or highly distinguished, see Pāṇ. VI. 3, 46. — *Mahā-visha, am*, n. 'great poison,' a kind of poison enumerated among the Kaṇḍa-vishāṇi; (*as, ā, am*), very poisonous or venomous; (*as*), m. Coluber Naga (= *kāla-sarpa*), a kind of small serpent said to have two heads. — *Mahā-vishuva, am*, n. or *mahāvishuva-saṅkrānti, is*, f. the vernal equinox, the moment of the sun's passing into Aries (differing by several days from European computation). — *Mahā-vishṇu, us*, m. the great Vishṇu. — *Mahā-vihāra, as*, m. a great Buddhist monastery; N. of a particular monastery in Ceylon. — *Mahāvihāra-vāsin, inas*, m. pl., N. of a Buddhist school. — *Mahā-vīci, is*, m., N. of one of the twenty-one hells or places of torment (enumerated in Manu IV. 88–90). — *Mahā-vīja, as, ā, am*, having much seed; (*as*), m. an epithet of Śiva; [cf. *mahā-retas.*] — *Mahā-vījya, am*, n. the septum of the scrotum and part of the perinæum, the perinæum. — *Mahā-vīta, as*, m., N. of a son of Savana. — *Mahā-vīra, as*, m. a great hero; epithet of Vishṇu; an archer, bowman; a lion; epithet of Garuḍa, the bird and vehicle of Vishṇu; fire, sacrificial fire; a sacrificial vessel; the thunderbolt of Indra; a white horse; the Indian cuckoo or koïl (= *kokila*); a kind of hawk (= *sañ-ćāna*); a species of plant (= *eka-vīra*); N. of a king; of a son of Bṛihad-ratha; of a son of Priya-vrata; of a son of Savana, (also read *mahā-vīta*); N. of the last or twenty-fourth Arhat of the present Ava-sarpiṇī, (he is the last and most celebrated Jaina teacher of the present age, and is supposed to have flourished in the province of Behar in the sixth century before the Christian era); (*ā*), f. a species of plant (= *kshīra-kākolī*). — *Mahāvīra-ćarita* or *mahāvīra-ćaritra, am*, n. 'the exploits of the great hero (Rāma),' N. of a celebrated drama by Bhava-bhūti; 'the exploits of Mahā-vīra (the Arhat),' N. of a book, (in this last sense usually written *mahāvīra-ćaritra.*) — *Mahā-vīrya, as, ā, am*, of great strength or energy, very energetic, very powerful or mighty, very potent; (*as*), m., N. of Brahmā; of an Indra in the Manv-antara of Tāmasa or of Raućya; of a Buddha; of a Jina or Jaina saint; of a king (son of Bṛihad-ratha or of Bṛihad-uktha; also read *mahā-vīra*); of a king (son of Bhavan-manyu or of Manyu); of a Buddhist Bhikshu; of a species of edible bulbous root, = *vārāhī-kanda*; (*ā*), f. the wild cotton-shrub (= *mahā-śatāvarī*); epithet of Saṅjñā the wife of Sūrya. — *Mahā-vṛiksha, as*, m. a great tree; a species of Euphorbia. — *Mahāvṛikshakshīra, as, am*, m. n. the milky juice of the above tree. — *Mahā-vṛiddha, as, ā, am*, very old or aged. — *Mahā-vṛinda, am*, n. a particular high number (= 100,000 Vṛindas). — *Mahā-vṛisha, as*, m. a great bull; (*ās*), m. pl., N. of a people. — *Mahā-vṛihatī*, see *mahā-bṛihatī.* — *Mahā-vega, as*, m. great impetuosity, extreme velocity, excessive speed, great swiftness or fleetness; (*as, ā, am*), very impetuous, very fleet or swift, excessively rapid; surging, raging (as the sea); (*as*), m. an ape; the bird Garuḍa; (*ā*), f., N. of one of the Mātṛis attending on Skanda. — *Mahāvega-labdha-sthāma, as*, m., N. of a king of the Garuḍas. — *Mahā-vegavatī*, f. a species of plant. — *Mahā-vedi, is*, f. the great Vedi. — *Mahā-vedha, as*, m. epithet of a particular position of the hands or feet (in the practice of Yoga). — *Mahā-vela, as, ā, am*, having high tides or strong currents, billowy, surgy. — *Mahā-vaipulya, am*, n. great magnitude, wide extent. — *Mahāvaipulya-sūtra, am*, n., N. of a Buddhist Sūtra work. — *Mahā-vaira, am*, n. great enmity. — *Mahā-vairāja, am*, n., N. of a Sāman. — *Mahā-vaiśvadeva*, Ved. epithet of a Graha, q. v. — *Mahā-vaiśvānara-vrata* and *mahā-vaiśvāmitra* and *mahā-vaishṭambha, am*, n., N. of three Sāmans. — *Mahā-vyādhi, is*, m. a great or severe disease; the black leprosy. — *Mahā-vyāhṛiti, is*, f. a great Vyāhṛiti or mystical word, (the three words *Bhūr, Bhuvaḥ, Svar*, pronounced after the Praṇava *Om*, are the three great Vyāhṛitis, see *vyāhṛiti.*) — *Mahā-vyutpatti, is*, f., N. of a Sanskṛit-Tibetan lexicon. — *Mahā-vyūha, as*, m. epithet of a Samādhi; N. of a Deva-putra. — *Mahā-vraṇa, am*, n. a serious wound. — *Mahā-vrata, am*, n. a great duty, fundamental duty (five in number, according to the Jaina system, viz. refraining from injury to life, truth, honesty, chastity, and freedom from worldly desire); a great vow; a great religious observance; (Ved.) epithet of a Sāman or Stotra appointed to be sung on the last day but one of the Gavām-ayana (applied also to the day itself or its ceremonies or to the Śastra following the Stotra); the rule or vow of the Pāśupatas, = *pāśupata-vrata*; (*as, ā, am*), one who has undertaken solemn religious duties or vows, performing a great vow, great in the performance of religious vows, very devotional; observing the rule or vow of the Pāśupatas, a Pāśupata; (according to Sāy. on Ṛig-veda I. 45, 3, and Nirukta III. 17) = *mahi-vrata*, q. v. — *Mahāvrata-vat, ān, atī, at*, Ved. connected with the Mahā-vrata Sāman, &c. — *Mahāvrata-vesha-bhṛit, t, t, t*, wearing the dress of a Pāśupata. — *Mahāvratika, as, ā, am*, related to the Mahā-vrata Sāman, &c.; observing the rule of the Pāśupatas, a Pāśupata. — *Mahāvratika-vesha, as, ā, am*, dressed as a Pāśupata. — *Mahā-vratin, ī, inī, i*, observing the rule or vow of the Pāśupatas; (*ī*), m. a Pāśupata; an epithet of Śiva; a devotee, ascetic (= *joṭiṅga*); = *uras-kaṭa* (?). — *Mahāvratīya, as, ā, am*, Ved. relating to the Mahā-vrata Sāman or to the Mahā-vrata day. — *Mahā-vrāta, as, ā, am*, Ved. accompanied by a great host (of Maruts, said of Indra; Sāy. *marudbhir mahān vrātaḥ samūho yasya*). — *Mahā-vrihi, is*, m. a kind of large rice. — *Mahāśa* (°*hā-āś*°), *as*, m., N. of a son of Kṛishṇa. — *Mahā-śakuni, is*, m., N. of a Cakra-vartin. — *Mahā-śakti, is, is, i*, very powerful, very mighty; (*is*), m. epithet of Śiva; of Kārtti-keya; of a son of Kṛishṇa. — *Mahā-śanku, us*, m. the sine of the sun's elevation. — *Mahā-śankha, as*, m. a great conch-shell; the temporal or frontal bone, the forehead; a human bone; a particular high number (= ten Nikharvas or 1,000,000,000); one of Kuvera's treasures; N. of a Nāga or serpent-demon. — *Mahāśankha-maya, as, ī, am*, formed of the temporal or frontal bone. — *Mahā-śaṭha, as*, m. a species of thorn-apple (= *rāja-dhattūra*). — *Mahā-śaṇapushpikā*, f. a species of plant. — *Mahā-śatā* or *mahā-śatāvarī*, f. a species of plant (= *bahu-pattrikā*). — *Mahāśana* (°*hā-aś*°), *as, ā, am*, eating much, very voracious, a great eater; (*as*), m., N. of an Asura. — *Mahāśani-dhvaja* (°*hā-aś*°), *as*, m. a great banner consisting of the thunderbolt and its lightning, (according to Malli-nātha on Raghu-v. 3, 56 = *mahān aśani-rūpo dhvajaḥ.*) — *Mahā-śabda, as*, m. a great noise, loud sound, loud cry; the word *mahā*; any official title beginning with the word *mahā*; (*as, ā, am*), making a loud sound, very noisy, very loud. — *Mahā-śami*, f. a large Acacia Suma. — *Mahā-śambhu, us*, m. the great Śiva. — *Mahāśaya* (°*hā-āś*°), *as*, m. 'the great receptacle (of water),' the sea, ocean; (*as, ā, am*), having a noble disposition, high-minded, magnanimous, liberal, munificent, open, unsuspicious; (*as*), m. a respectable person, gentleman; (sometimes a term of respectful address = Sir, Master.) — *Mahā-śayana, am*, n. a great bed or couch. — *Mahā-śayyā*, f. a great or lofty couch, royal couch or seat, throne. — *Mahā-śara, as*, m. a species of reed (= *sthūla-śara*). — *Mahā-śalka, as*, m. 'large-scaled,' a kind of prawn or sea crab (Manu III. 272). — *Mahā-śastra, am*, n. a great weapon, powerful weapon. — *Mahā-śāka, am*, n. a kind of vegetable. — *Mahā-śākya, as*, m. a great Śākya. — *Mahā-śākha, as, ā, am*, having great branches; (*ā*), f. a great recension of the Vedic text; the plant Uraria Lagopodioides. — *Mahā-śānti, is*, f., Ved., N. of a great expiatory formula (for averting evil). — *Mahā-śāla, as, ā, am*, having a large house; (*as*), m. a great householder (= *mahā-gṛihastha*); N. of a son of Janam-ejaya; [cf. *mahā-śīla.*] — *Mahā-śāli, is*, m. a kind of large and sweet-smelling rice; [cf. *mahā-vrīhi.*] — *Mahā-śālīna, as, ā, am*, very modest, exceedingly bashful. — *Mahā-śālvaṇa, am*, n. 'great fomentation,' epithet of a particular remedy. — *Mahā-śāsana, am*, n. great rule or dominion, great edict or order of government; (*as, ā, am*), exercising great dominion, having great power; (*as*), m. (perhaps) a minister who enforces the royal edicts. — *Mahāśiraḥ-samudbhava, as*, m. (with Jainas) N. of the sixth black Vāsudeva. — *Mahā-śiras, ās, ās, as*, 'great-headed,' having a large head; (*ās*), m. a kind of serpent; a species of lizard; N. of a man; of a Dānava. — *Mahā-śirodhara, as, ā, am*, having a long or thick neck. — *Mahā-śīlā*, f. a kind of weapon. — *Mahā-śiva, as*, m. the great Śiva. — *Mahā-śītavatī*, f. (with Buddhists) N. of one of the five great tutelary goddesses (see *mahā-rakshā*; also read *mahā-śeta-vatī*). — *Mahā-śītā*, f. a species of plant, Asparagus Racemosa (= *śata-mūlī*). — *Mahā-śirsha, as*, m., N. of one of Śiva's attendants. — *Mahā-śīla, as*, m., N. of a son of Janam-ejaya; [cf. *mahā-śāla.*] — *Mahā-śukti, is*, f. a pearl muscle, mother of pearl. — *Mahā-śuklā*, f. an epithet of Sarasvatī. — *Mahā-śubhra, am*, n. silver. — *Mahā-śūdra, as*, m. a Śūdra in a high position; an upper servant; a cowherd, herdsman; (*ī*), f. a female cow-keeper, a herdsman's wife; (*ā*), f. a Śūdra woman in a high position. — *Mahā-śūnya, am*, n. 'the great vacuity or vacancy,' epithet of a particular spiritual state of a Yogin. — *Mahā-śūnyatā*, f. (with Buddhists) 'the great void,' an epithet of one of the eighteen vacuities or vacancies. — *Mahā-śetavatī*, f., see *mahā-śītavatī.* — *Mahā-śairīsha, am*, n., N. of a Sāman. — *Mahā-śaila, as*, m. a great rock or mountain; N. of a mountain. — *Mahā-śoṇa, as*, m. 'the great Soṇa,' N. of a river; [cf. *śoṇa.*] — *Mahā-śauṇḍī*, f. a species of plant (= *śvela-kiṇihī*). — *Mahā-śaushira,*