

Śhābara's Citation of the *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa*

Śhābara, the foremost commentator of Karma Mīmāṃsā wrote a commentary on the first 12 chapters of Jaimini's *Karma Mīmāṃsā Darshanam*, but did not write a commentary on the four chapters of the *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa*. Nevertheless, it is evident that he was familiar with the text because he cited it twice in his famous commentary on *Karma Mīmāṃsā*.

1) स्विष्टकृद्विकारश्च वनस्पतिरिति सङ्कर्षे

Śhābara Bhāṣya X.iv.32:

“The *Vanaspati-sacrifice* is an Ectype of the *Sviṣṭakṛt-sacrifice*, as is going to be explained under the *Samkarṣha*.”

Translation by Ganganatha Jha: Jha, Ganganatha, *Śābara Bhāṣya*, (Baroda: Oriental Institute, 1974), Volume III, p. 1835.

The sutra quoted is *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa* II.4.39:

स्विष्टकृद्विकारे याज्यायां देवतानिगमाः स्युः प्रकृत्युपबन्धात् ३५

2) अवहननार्था वा यथा पत्नीतुल्यः श्रूयते

Śhābara Bhāṣya XII.ii.11:

“As is going to be explained under the *Samkarṣha* section that ‘the wife is spoken of as if she were equal’.” *Śābara Bhāṣya*, Volume III, p. 2297.

The sutra quoted is *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa* I.1.36:

अवहननार्थं वा यथा पत्नी तुल्या श्रूयते ३६

In conclusion, Atsushi writes:

Sūtras from the present *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa* are quote twice, together with the reference “*Samkarṣha*,” in Śābarasvāmin's *Bhāṣya* on the *Mīmāṃsāsūtra*, and this fact in itself guarantees the authenticity of the present *Samkarṣha Kāṇḍa*.