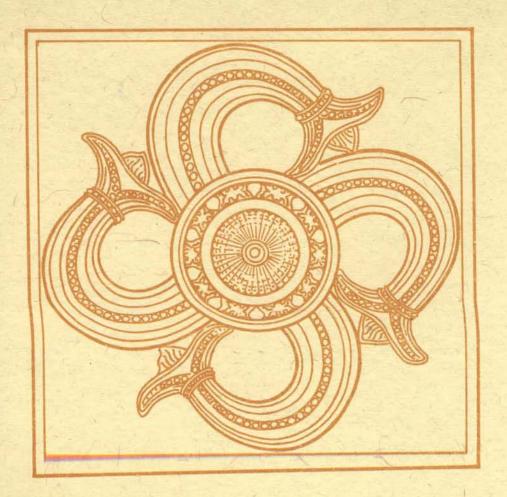
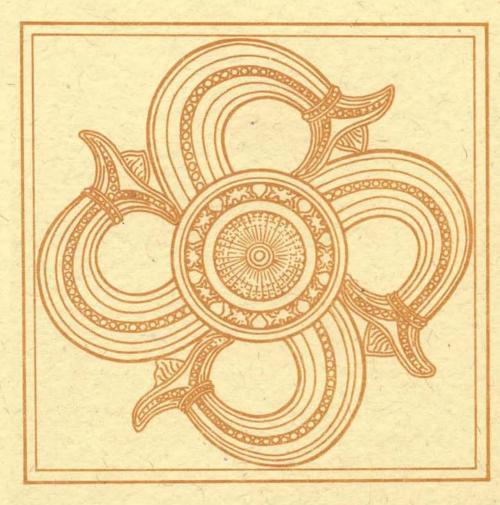
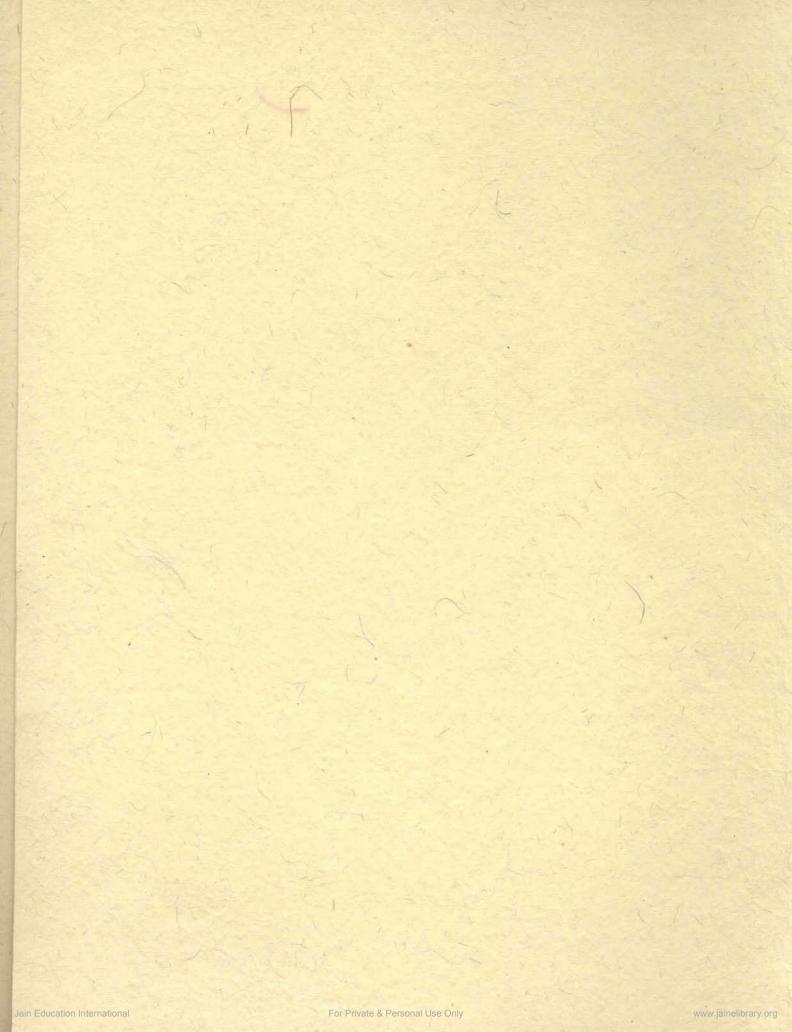
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To

The Sacred Memory

of

Sheth Shri Kasturbhai Lalbhai

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Foreword

Kumbhāriyā is one of the more notable among the extant Śvetāmbara Jaina tīrthas in western India. It is now becoming famous for the spectacular interiors of its Jaina marble temples. They, in fact, are the sparkling little gems among Indian temples. As such, they occupy a front-ranking position in the 'High Medieval' western Indian temple architecture. A comprehensive and an authentic monograph covering all its aspects—site's and temples' history, inscriptions, buildings and their descriptions supported by relevant drawings including floor-plans and photo-illustrations, the critical estimation and evaluation of the art of its architecture and sculpture, as also the temples' special contributions was a desideratum. To our satisfaction, all these aspects have been given due justice in this monograph. What is more, the opening chapter delineates the detailed historical, socio-religious and cultural perspective of Jainism in Gujarat, from its advent in the Mauryan period to the late Solankī period, as a prelude to the building of the Kumbhāriyā temples in the medieval period. Such a quick but comprehensive historical account never has been given by earlier historians of Gujarat.

For the past eight decades, the administration and maintenance of Kumbhāriyā's Jaina ensemble of temples is in the care of Sheth Anandji Kalyanji, Ahmedabad. The clearance of the site and renovation of the temples were initiated by Sheth Kasturbhai Lalbhai, the foundation's former Chairman. Efforts, moreover, are continually made to develop the site. Improved lodging and boarding facilities are now available on the site to the visiting pilgrims.

A systematically prepared and profusely illustrated monograph jointly authored by Prof. M.A. Dhaky and Dr. U.S. Moorti of the American Institute of Indian Studies, New Delhi, on the temples of this relatively less famous site is now before the scholars and students of Indian temple architecture as well as

the interested lay readers. Two years ago, among the several guide books written in Gujarātī by Prof. Dhaky, one entitled 'Ārasī Tīrtha Ārāsaṇa', focussed on the Jaina temples at Kumbhāriyā. The present monograph, appearing in English, understandably is meant for national and international readership and meets with the ideals and standards of, as well as the need for not only an authentic but also an exhaustive publication on the subject. We all here feel grateful to the authors for this scholarly piece of work just as to the American Institute of Indian Studies for collaborating with the L.D. Institute of Indology, Ahmedabad, in the production of this fine monograph.

Shrenik Lalbhai Chairman Sheth Anandji Kalyanji

Ahmedabad 06.04.2000

Prefatory Note

Kumbhāriyā is one of the important medieval Jaina temple sites in Gujarat, in fact in all western India. The marble temples that exist there are gradually becoming known for their splendid architecture of the Solanki period. Qualitatively, these can be reckoned as on par, and even for a few aspects excelling the world famous Delvādā temples on Mt. Ābu. However, very little has been written on the religious history and not enough on the art of these buildings. Sheth Shri Shrenikbhai had for long time cherished a wish to make good this deficiency. When, therefore, a proposal was mooted and discussed some two years ago by Dr. Pradeep Mehendiratta, the Director-General and Vice-President of the American Institute of Indian Studies, New Delhi, to prepare and publish a comprehensive monograph on the temples in Kumbhāriyā in collaboration with the L.D. Institute of Indology, to Sheth Shri Shrenikbhai (who besides being the Chairman of Sheth Anandji Kalyanji is also the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, L.D. Institute of Indology), it was wholeheartedly welcomed. The task of preparing a research-based and comprehensive monograph was entrusted to the well-known specialist on Indian temple architecture, Prof. M.A. Dhaky, the Director (Research, now Emeritus) of the AIIS who for over three decades is associated with the AIIS's prestigious project, the Encyclopaedia of Indian Temple Architecture. Prof. Dhaky, in collaboration with his colleague Dr. U.S. Moorti, the Jt. Director, AIIS, has fulfilled this task, using as he did his earlier field notes as well as the results of their recent joint reëxamination of the recorded data. The monograph incorporates illustrative material—drawings and photographs got from the archival holdings of AIIS, supplemented by some more photographs made specially for this monograph by the "Sambodhi Samsthāna" Ahmedabad, through the intermediary of the Sharadaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad. The photo-artist Samir Pathak was assigned the job to which he did full justice. Shri Akhilesh Mishra of the SCERC did the laser

printing of the Nāgarī part (inscriptions) and Shri Naranbhai Patel read the proofs. We gratefully acknowledge the coöperation of the aforementioned two institutions as well as the assistance of Samir Pathak. We likewise thank Sheth Anandji Kalyanji for their valuable coöperation in not only permitting to document the temples but also for according all needed facilities to the team working at the site.

We earnestly hope that the present monograph will be useful as much to the historians of Indian temple architecture as to the visitors to these temples, particularly those who are more serious on knowing the accurate, authentic, and complete information on the important aspects connected with the site's exquisite group of temples which may now take an honorable place, like the Delvādā temples, in the nation's precious heritage.

Jitendra Shah
Director
L.D. Institute of Indology

Ahmedabad 15.12.2000

Preface

The American Institute of Indian Studies is proud to cöpublish with the Lalbhai Dalpatbhai Institute of Indology the latest in a series of scholarly works on Indian art and architecture. This most recent volume, *The Temples in Kumbhāriyā* has been authored by M.A. Dhaky and U.S. Moorti, both of the American Institute of Indian Studies' Center for Art and Archaeology. M.A. Dhaky commenced this project some forty years ago, but due to the time and energy needed to produce the American Institute of Indian Studies' on going massive multi-volume *Encyclopaedia of Indian Temple Architecture* project, he was not able to complete it fully. Then in 1999 Shrenik Kasturbhai Lalbhai and Jitendra Shah proposed that with the help of the Lalbhai Dalpatbhai Institute of Indology documentation on the temples of Kumbhāriyā might be recommenced, thus giving renewed impetus to the production of this monograph. M.A. Dhaky then invited U.S. Moorti to serve as cöauthor of this text on the important Jaina temples of Kumbhāriyā.

The volume, the very first on the temples of Kumbhāriyā, fīlls a major lacuna in Indological studies. While the Jaina temples of Mt. Ābu, Rāṇakpur, and Osiāñ are well-known to pilgrims, scholars, and tourists, those of Kumbhāriyā, dating between the 11th and late-13th centuries, barely are known. Yet since some of these temples predate those of Mt. Ābu and other sites better established in both popular and scholarly literature, the temples at Kumbhāriyā hold considerable importance for an understanding of the development of the western Indian temple. This is compounded by the fact that so few temples in western India of this period are extant. We thus are grateful to M.A. Dhaky and U.S. Moorti for preparing this important scholarly contribution on the temples at Kumbhāriyā. We also would like to acknowledge the roles of Shrenik Kasturbhai Lalbhai and Jitendra Shah, both of the Lalbhai Dalpatbhai Institute of Indology, as well as that of Dr. Pradeep

Mehendiratta, Vice-President and Director-General of the American Institute of Indian Studies, in realizing the completion of the volume. Without their help and intervention this text never would have seen the light of day. As is made clear in the Introduction to the text, there are many people who have assisted in the production of this monograph. We would like to thank them, without repeating all the names mentioned there, for their fine work and dedication to this major project. Thanks to M.A. Dhaky, U.S. Moorti and all the people who contributed to this project in one way or another, for making such significant contributions to our knowledge of Indian history and culture.

Catherine B. Asher, Chair Committee on Art and Archaeology American Institute of Indian Studies

Frederick M. Asher
President
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Minnesota 22nd May, 2001

Introductory

The first author of this monograph had planned a book on the temples in Kumbhāriyā after his visits to that site in late fifties and early sixties when he was working in the Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat. He then had undertaken the survey and photo-documentation as well as got prepared the floor plans of all the temples there and also had taken extensive and detailed notes on the architecture, decoration of the buildings and the relevant iconographical details of the divinity images. The monograph could not, however, come through owing largely to the exigencies generated by the then prevailing circumstances. While working next for long decades at the American Institute of Indian Studies-its Art and Archaeology Center in Varanasi (now moved to Gurgaon in Haryana)—he repeated his earlier endeavours at photo-documentation as also got prepared the floor plans afresh, which are here reproduced: the copies of a couple of minor plans, and in one case the elevation of the samvarana-roof, were earlier acquired from the collection of the Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat, by way of filling in the gaps in reproduction. The photo-documented material was meant on the one hand for the AIIS's photo-archive as also for using it for a relevant chapter by the first author to be included in Vol. II, Part 4 of the Institute's prestigious publication, 'The Encyclopaedia of Indian Temple Architecture.'

As time wore on, it became clear that the revised decision (1991) which envisaged completing the remaining two Parts (4 and 5) of Volume I (South India) on priority basis, the publication of Vol. II, Part 4 (North India: c. 1001-1600) where the Kumbhāriyā temples were to figure may take, as a result, some more years. In the meantime, a fresh policy formulated by the Institute contemplated collaboration with other Indian institutions of standing, on specific projects to be precise. In view of this new direction, on the 11th of April 1999, Dr. Pradeep Mehendiratta, the Director-General and

Vice-President of AIIS, along with the authors of this monograph, met Sheth Shrenikbhai Kasturbhai Lalbhai, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Lalbhai Dalpatbhai Institute of Indology—he is also the Chairman of Sheth Anandji Kalyanji—and Dr. Jitendra Shah, Director of the L.D. Institute of Indology, in Ahmedabad with a proposal for jointly publishing a monograph on the temples in Kumbhāriyā, to which they agreed just as for sharing the cost of publication with the AIIS. Dr. Jitendra Shah, who is also the Honorary Director of the Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, one other institution of standing in Ahmedabad, suggested that a fresh documentation of the Kumbhāriyā temples may also be undertaken—which will be at their end—for complementing what earlier had been done by AIIS and the final selection of the illustrative material for the monograph be done from the combined holdings of the two institutions. This plan, too, was approved.

As a next step, the first author of this monograph, along with the photo-artist Samir Pathak and his companion Neel, both stationed at Ahmedabad, visited Kumbhāriyā in May 1999 for taking a fresh look at the buildings as well as for their photo-documentation for SCERC. A second trip was organized when both the authors of this monograph visited Kumbhāriyā in the month of September 1999 to survey further and study together the architecture of the buildings as also to continue photo-documentation in the company of Samir and this time Vikrant who assisted Samir. A third trip was undertaken in early November by Samir with Vikrant who once more ably assisted him in photography. Went with them, at this occasion, Sarvashri Lakshmanbhai Bhojak and Amrut Patel, the epigraphers of the L.D. Institute of Indology, to read some eight unreported inscriptions spotted during the present authors' previous trip, engraved as they all are on the architectural members.

As per the plan formulated for the publication of the monograph, the text-manuscript together with the accompanying illustrative material was readied for the press by May 2001. The result is this monograph which is intended to be as thorough and authentic as complete in essential and important details as was possible within the limits of authors' experience, knowledge, perceptions, and available resources. As a word of caution, let us warn the readers that it is not written in the style of a guide book meant for pilgrims and tourists, nor is it designed to be a fabulously beautiful coffee-table book cast in a populist style of prose and dazzling pictures, all in colour. By disposition,

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intention, and of necessity, the descriptions of the temples given here betray an archaeological bias, using technical 'vāstu' and 'śilpa' terms in Sanskrit and diacritical marks used also for personal and place names, keeping, however, in view the eight factors in serious writings, namely accuracy, acuity, authenticity, clarity, brevity, simplicity, communicability, and readability. At the same time, undue sophisticated phrasing has been studiedly avoided. The book is first and the last meant for academics as well as scholars and serious students of Indian temple architecture as a reference book and modestly aspires at being useful for long decades to come. However, in the chapter embodying the descriptions of plates, an attempt has been made, wherever there was scope, to dwell upon the art-interpretative besides art-historical, and hence on the qualitative aspects of the interiors and their significant architectural members and details, in short focusing on the aesthetic essence of the buildings.

Under the aegis of the Solankī rulers, the medieval times in Gujarat saw the ultimate peak of political power, commerce, opulence, and expansion together with development of the regional culture and its manifestations including art and architecture. In those eventful centuries, along with Śaivism, Jainism, too, passed through its most glorious phase. In Gujarat, then, hundreds of Svetāmbara friars and monks belonging to the many different gacchas or orders preached and produced scores of religious literary works including soulful hymns, and many commentaries were written on the ancient as well as then contemporary didactic and doctrinal works. What is more, besides the dedication of innumerable Jina images in stone and in brass as meritorious acts, for housing them, some two hundred temples were built, among them many were large and fully decorated and architecturally complete complexes. The historical vicissitudes which followed after the end of the medieval period, resulted in the devastation of the vast majority of these buildings along with the many repositories in many cities that treasured the palm-leaf manuscripts. The carved pillars and ornamental ceilings that graced the Jaina temples were used in constructing the mosques at Patan (Anahillapātaka, the capital of Gujarat), Ahmedābād (Āśāpalli-Karņāvatī), Cambay (Khambhāt, Stambha-tīrtha), Bharuch (Bhrgukaccha), Dholakā (Dhavalakakka), Māndal (Mandalī), Vanthalī (Vānanasthalī), Prabhāsa, Māngarol (Mangalapura), and some other towns like Kapadavani

(Kārpaṭavāṇijya). Keeping in view this huge, indeed inestimable and lamentable loss, the temples at Kumbhāriyā, which escaped that fate, though today representing only the smallest remainder of the precious architectural wealth of the past, per se assume importance as very valuable visual documents of Jaina art and architecture of the medieval epoch in Gujarat. As will be demonstrated, like the Delvādā temples on Mt. Ābu, they possess a variety of columns and richly carved ceilings (and at present only a few surviving toraṇas) in their interiors. In point of fact, the interiors of the four Jaina temples at Kumbhāriyā are more ancient than those in the Delvādā temples. They thus provide on one side the visual links to, and on the other lend insights into the evolutionary development, casting as they also do additional light on the stylistic trends in the Jaina mode of temple planning as well as the nature of associated architectural components and details that preceded the world famous Delvādā temples.

In medieval times, Kumbhāriyā was not on the main pilgrim route, nor was it eminently famous as a 'tīrtha'. Hence the place, with a few exceptions, remained unalluded to in the 'caitya-paripāṭī' and 'tīrthamālā' class of the Jaina pilgrimic/psalmic literature, nor any hymn in Sanskrit, Prakrit, or for that matter Apabhramsha, addressed to any particular Jina at this site has so far come to light. The contemporary writings and allusions to the site and its buildings, with a few exceptions, are largely in Gujarātī, one salient reason why they have not attracted the attention of most students of Indian temple architecture. Nor is there any publication so far, in English, on the site's buildings that gives a complete account of the locale, the buildings' and site's history. The present monograph, therefore, is designed to meet with most of these shortcomings as far as it was possible within the ambit of the resources and the time and efforts which could be devoted on it.

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At the AIIS's level, Shri D.P. Nanda, the Chief Photographer, prepared excellent photo-enlargements, most of which are included in the monograph. Some 59 from the several fine photo-enlargements made by Samir Pathak on behalf of the Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre from their recent documentation also find place in the illustrative section. And three photographs long ago acquired from the Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat likewise have been included. We are thankful to both the aforenoted Institutions and acknowledge their kind courtesies. Shri A.T.P. Ponnuswamy (former draftsman), Shri S. Pandian, and Shri N. Ravi (both for long years the draftsmen at the AIIS) prepared accurate floor-plans and in a few cases also the elevational details of the temples. Figs. 5, 6, and 8 are included here (with some additions of details) by courtesy of the Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat: the rest are from AIIS's collection. Our indebtedness to the earlier writers in English as well as Gujarātī of this century, particularly on the historical and epigraphical sides, must also be acknowledged. Shri V.K. Venkata Varadhan dedicatedly and diligently prepared the camera-ready copy of the English text and Shri Akhilesh Mishra of the SCERC, Ahmedabad, did the same with the Nāgarī section that figures as Chapter 7, namely 'Inscriptions'. The last corrections to that section were introduced by AIIS's new Computer Operator, Shri Raju Prasad. The authors wish to express their special thanks to all of them for their neat and accurate laser printing and for meticulously adhering to the stipulated layout. Shri Naranbhai Patel of the SCERC earlier had carefully proof-read the herein printed text of the inscriptions.

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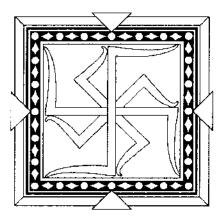
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TEXT



CHAPTER 1

Jainism in Gujarat: Historical and Socio-Religious Perspective

The classical Jainism had developed from early Nirgranthism. It was, in fact, formulated and shaped principally through the progressive integration of the doctrines, dogmas, and early scholastic formulations of the sect of Arhat Pārśva (c. B.C. 6th-5th cent.) and the stern ascetical discipline as well as resolutely uncompromising insistence on the total purification of Self (ātā=ātman) from passions (dosas/kasāyas) of the sect of Arhat Vardhamāna (who a little later was called Jina Mahāvīra, c. B.C. 549-477 or 472-400?). The two sects originally thus represented separate Nirgranthist systems. In the context of the present day Gujarat, the Nirgrantha religion apparently was introduced first into its Surästra or Saurästra territory, predictably in the time of prince Samprati (c. B.C. 232-210), son of the blinded prince Kunāla and grandson of the Maurya emperor Aśoka. Samprati, who believably was ruling over the western half of Aśoka's imperial domains, came under the influence of Nirgranthism by the preachings of Ārya Suhasti, the disciple of Arya Sthūlabhadra and junior confrère of Arya Mahāgiri. According to the "Sthavirāvalī" (hagiological list) of the Paryusanākalpa (Phase III portion, c. A.D. 100), from one of the disciples of Arya Suhastī, namely Arya Rsigupta, emanated a branch of friars called Soratthiyā/Saurāstrikā which would imply that, by early second century B.C., there already were Nirgrantha followers in Gujarat.

According to Jinadāsa gaņi Mahattara—the āgamic commentator of the last quarter of the seventh century—Ārya Kālaka (Ārya Śyāma I: c. 1st cent. B.C.-A.D.) got his nun-sister Sarasvatī released from the captivity of Gardabhilla, apparently a barbarian/tyrannical ruler of Bhṛgukaccha (Bharuch in Lāṭadeśa or southern Gujarat), with the help of the Śakas of Pārasa kula. He, moreover, composed three major works—the Prathamānuyoga, the Gaṇḍikānuyoga, and the Lokānuyoga— as reported in the Pañcakalpa-bhāṣya (c. mid 6th cent. A.D.) of Saṅghadāsa gaṇi. The first of these three works introduced the concept of the 24 Jinas (along with their

legendary lives), the second dwelt upon the lives of the cakravartīs (legendary universal emperors) and related imperial personages, and the third plausibly dealt with the structure and geographic/cosmographic components and divisions of the 'loka' (universe, cosmos) as conceived/visualized in the Nirgrantha-darśana. In addition, he also composed 'samgrahaṇīs' or the topical versified collections of Prakrit verses. His disciple Ārya Samudra had visited Suvarṇabhūmi, a part either of Myanmar (Brahmadeśa, Burma), or southern Thailand (Siama), or southern Malaysia, or Sumātrā in Indonesia.

In the meantime, Ārya Śyāma's contemporary Ārya Vajra's disciple Ārya Vajrasena and some time after him the friars of the Nāgendra-śākhā which emanated from Vajrasena's disciple Ārya Nāgila/Nāgendra, had settled in Lāṭa, today's mid and southern Gujarat, very plausibly in *circa* mid first century A.D. According to an anecdote noticed in the Prabhāvakacarita (A.D.1277), to one notable Nirgrantha poet-friar, Vajrabhūti, had met the consort of Nabhovāhana (Kṣatrapa ruler Nahāpāṇa) some time in the last quarter of the first century A.D.

The next and the more tangible evidence, now from the archaeological side, is the fragmentary Nirgranthist inscription of the time of the Kṣatrapa ruler Rudrasena I (or Dāmjad Śrī) and dateable to c. A.D. 198-199, from Girinagara (present day Junāgaḍh). The inscription was discovered from one of the rock-cut caves (apsidal and hence caitya-cave) of the so-called Bāvā Pyārā group which apparently was an unpretentious monastic establishment of the Nirgrantha monks as indicated by the 'maṅgalas', auspicious symbols, depicted above the doors of a couple of caves there.

Seemingly, the famous Śakunikāvihāra in Bhṛgukaccha had been founded during the early centuries of Christian or Common Era. And if the Ratha-vasatī at Aṅkoṭaka (Ākoṭā, near Vaḍodarā/Baroda) mentioned in one of the medieval inscriptions there was named after Ārya Ratha (c. 1st-2nd cent. A.D.), that would represent one more early Nirgrantha foundation in Lāṭa territory. One Ārya Khapaṭa, who plausibly lived in the Lāṭa region in late Kṣatrapa or early Gupta period, is addressed as 'vidyābali', proficient in sorcery, in the post-Gupta Jaina literature, especially in early āgamic commentaries of different categories/descriptions. He is accredited to have defeated the Buddhists and retrieved the Śakunikāvihāra of Jina Munisuvrata in Bhṛgukaccha from their clutches. It seems that the Śvetāmbara sect apparently took its clearer shape during these centuries, particularly those that covered late Kṣatrapa and early Gupta epochs.

Turning to the next events, in Mathurā, a synod (c. V.N.S. 840/A.D. 363), apparently of northern friars, was convened for the redaction of the Nirgrantha canon under the chairmanship of Ārya Skandila or Śaṇḍila. Contemporaneously, the friars in western India convened a synod at Valabhī in Saurāṣṭra under the leadership of Ārya Nāgārjuna of the Nāgendra śākhā/kula. The differences in the textual readings and the divergencies/discrepancies that happened to be visible between the two versions/recensions—of the Mathurā Synod and the Valabhī Synod—are later reported to have been reconciled by collation during the Valabhī Synod II in V.N.S. 980/993 or A.D. 503/516 under the chairmanship of Devarddhi gaṇi kṣamāśramaṇa when the Maitraka chieftain Dhruvasena I was ruling.

In the meantime, in c. late fifth century, Dharasena, a pontiff probably of the Botika/Kṣapaṇaka rather than of the Digambara sect, who lived in the mountain grotto called Candra-guhā near Girinagara to be precise, is reported to have imparted the knowledge of the Karmaprakṛti-prābhṛta to Puṣpadanta and Bhūtabali. The available text of the Ṣaṭkhaṇdāgama, recognized by the Digambara sect as an 'āgama', apparently is an enlarged, much developed, and neatly organized version of this ancient text that concerned itself with the classification, nature, and operation of 'karma'. The text—arguably in its primordial form—is believed to be a part of the Pūrva or anterior texts which seemingly had belonged to the sect of Arhat Pārśva.

Ujjayantagiri (Girnār Hills) near Girinagara, from at least the Kşatrapa times onward, had come to be regarded as very sacred because of the creation of a legend involving the 22nd tīrthankara, Jina Aristanemi of the Yādava clan (and supposed in the Nirgrantha tradition to be a cousin of Vāsudeva Śrī Kṛṣṇa and his stepbrother Balarāma since a member of the collateral branch of the Yādava clan), who is recorded in the agamas of the late Ksatrapa period as renouncing the worldly ways, attaining omniscience, and finally the salvation, all of these three auspicious events (Kalyāṇa-traya) are noted there to have happened on this mountain. Svāmī Samantabhadra (c. A.D. 575-625), the celebrated epistemologist, dialectician, and hymnist of the Digambara sect, apparently had visited this sacred mountain, since in his famous hymn, the Svayambhūstotra, he graphically uses the metaphor 'kakuda' or bull's hump for its appearance which it does look like in profile. Not too long after the formulation of the Ujjayantagiri legend, the āgama Jñātādharmakathā (present version c. 3rd-4th cent. A.D.) speaks about the five Pandavas attaining release from the bondage of transmigration on Mt. Satruñjaya, one other igneous group of hills, located in south-eastern Saurastra, which in the centuries to follow gradually rose to

the status of the holy of the holies of the Śvetāmbara sect, and decidedly so by medieval times. A most distinguished Śvetāmbara Jaina epistemologist and hymnist of the early fifth century who authored Sanmati-prakaraṇa (Prakrit) as well as the Nayāvatāra and the 32 dvātrimśikās (Sanskrit) was Siddhasena Divākara (active c. A.D. 400-444). His field of work principally was Mālavadeśa, though there are late biographical references of his connections also with Bṛgukaccha in Lāṭa.

As the evidence of the Śvetāmbara Jaina metal images from Ākoṭā near Vadodarā (Baroda) indicates, the earliest image found therefrom is stylistically dateable to c. A.D. 500. From Kheḍbrahmā in north Gujarat, came to light a few schistose Jina images, which appear, on the basis of their style, of the 6th century, one now set up in the Digambara Jaina temple in Idar and the other, also in the Digambara temple, located on the nearby granite hill. These two provide the archaeological evidence of the continuality of the Jaina religion in late Gupta/post-Gupta or what amounts to the same thing, early Maitraka age in Gujarat. An unknown author composed 'niryuktis' on ten different āgamas, in c. A.D. 525. Soon after that, the bhāṣyas on the Āvaśyaka-sūtra, Pañcakalpa, Nisītha-sūtra, Bṛhadkalpa, Vyavahāra-sūtra etcetera and the Tīrthāvakālika-prakīrṇaka were composed.

Two Śvetāmbara contemporaries of considerable eminence of this period, we now enter into the latter half of the sixth century, were the logician, dialectician, and epistemologist Mallavādī kṣamāśramana of Valabhī and of Nāgendra kula and the āgamic scholiast of high distinction and eminence, Jinabhadra gaņi kṣamāśramaṇa of Nivṛtti kula, both of whom were caityavāsī/abbatial pontiffs. Mallavādī had defeated the Buddhists in Brgukaccha and had composed a very important work on epistemology, entitled the 'Dvādaśāra-nayacakra', with an autocommentary, as also a commentary in Sanskrit on Siddhasena Divākara's justly famous and profound epistemological work, the above-noted Sanmati-prakarana. Jinabhadra gani's compositions in Prakrit such as the Jītakalpa, the Viśes=Āvaśyaka-bhāsya, the Visesanavatī, the Brhad-samgrahanī etcetera are famous as authoritative works, in sequential order, on Jaina monastic rules, doctrines, dogmas, and cosmography. He also got made two metal images of the Jinas that were set up in the Jaina temple in Ańkotaka. While Jinabhadra, according to the hagiographical tradition, had passed away in c. A.D. 594, a copy of his most famous work, the Viśes=Avaśyaka-bhāsya, later had been deposited, in A.D. 609 to be precise, in the Jaina temple at Valabhī as per the colophon of one of its early manuscripts traced from the library of manuscripts in Jaisalmer. Apparently, during the late sixth or early seventh century,

Mānatungācārya composed his incomparable and very famous hymn in Sanskrit, the Bhaktāmara-stotra, addressed to Ādinātha and another, the Bhayahara-stotra, in Prakrit, in praise of Jina Pārśvanātha. The cūrņi commentary on the Daśvaikālika-sūtra by Agastyasimha also falls in this period, say late sixth century.

By this time the Svetāmbara sect had been firmly established as also very visibly had taken the 'caityavāsī' or abbatial colour, character, and form. In the seventh century, Jainism attained to further ascendence in western India. By then it decisively had spread in Rajasthan: Bhillamāla (Bhinnamāla) in Gurjaradeśa situated to the west of Mt. Abu was one of its principal centres. In north Gujarat, Ānandapura, present day Vadanagara, and next Mordheraka (Modherā), Kāśahrda (Kāsindrā) etc., already had Jaina establishments in that period. In the earlier half of the seventh century the Āvaśyaka-cūrni was composed. Several other cūrnis were written, including those on the Nandi-sūtra, the Anuyogadvāra-sūtra and the Nisīthasūtra by Jinadāsa gaņi mahattara and on other āgamas like the Uttarādhyayana, the Daśvaikālika, the Sūtrakrtānga, and the Brhadkalpa in the latter half of the seventh century. And an important commentary by Simhaśūra kṣamāśramaṇa on Mallavādī's Dvādaśāra-nayacakra was composed in the last quarter of the seventh century. Several Jina and related pantheonic images dateable to the seventh century were noticed in the Akota hoard. Some of these report the names of the monks of the 'Candra' and 'Nivrtti' kulas not mentioned in the Sthavirāvalī of the Paryuṣaṇākalpa. Contemporaneous Jina figures in metal have been discovered also from Valabhī. The Jaina rock-cut caves at Dhānk (Dhankatīrtha) in Saurāstra apparently were excavated in c. late sixth or early seventh century. Not far from the northern border of Gujarat and within the ancient Gurjaradeśa at Vațapura (Vasantagadh), to the northeast of Mt. Ābu in Rajasthan, a hoard of Śvetāmbara Jaina metal images dating from the seventh to the tenth century had been discovered some decades ago, a larger number of which was enshrined in the Jaina temple at Pindavādā. It includes a pair of fairly large and fine kayotsarga images, dated A.D. 688.

In late seventh or early eighth century, abbatial pontiff Pālitta or Pādalipta sūri II built/consecrated the temples of Jina Rṣabha, Ajita, Śānti, and Mahāvīra on Śatruñjaya Hills as gleaned from the late medieval but fairly reliable references. His Buddhist friend, alchemist Nāgārjuna, is said to have founded a township near the foot of these Hills in Pālitta's name, Pālittānaka, present day Pālitāṇā, according to a medieval source. Pālitta composed a magical hymn in Prakrit addressed to Jina Mahāvīra. His contemporary, Simhaśūra kṣamāśramaṇa, composed a further

commentary in Sanskrit (c. A.D. 675-690) on the earlier mentioned Dvädaśāranayacakra of Mallavādī (c. A.D. 550-600) as also wrote an epistemological work in Sanskrit, now lost. The marble image of Jina Mahāvīra in the temple at Nandigrāma (Nāndiyā) and a few at present enshrined in the Digambara Jaina temple in Lāḍanuñ, both in Rajasthan, stylistically belong either to late seventh or early eighth century.

In the decades that followed—now we are in the pre-medieval epoch disciples as well as grand disciples of the abbot Vatesvara (c. early 8th cent. A.D.) of the ecclesiastical lineage of Vācaka Harigupta (c. A.D. 470-529)—established their headquarters in Tharapadra (Tharada) located in north Gujarat. There, moreover, the pontiff Vateśvara founded a Jaina temple. Next emanated a 'gaccha' or sub-order of monks, the Thārāpadra-gaccha, taking its designation after this place. A few decades posterior to this event, Siddhasena gani, a grand disciple of the aforenoted Simhaśūra and plausibly of the Modha-gaccha, wrote a 'Brhad-vrtti' (c. A.D. 750-760) on the Sabhāsya-Tattvārthādhigama-sūtra of Umāsvāti (c. A.D. 350). Also, in his times, a temple to Jina Aristanemi existed in Pātala or Pātalā-grāma (Pādal) and of Jina Mahāvīra at Modherā, both towns situated in the western territory of north Gujarat. Siddhasena's long-lived and indeed very famous disciple, Bhadrakīrtti alias Bappabhatti, was a dialectician of high calibre and poet of considerable merit and eminence: He composed both in Prakrit and in Sanskrit. A work containing collection of his Prakrit 'muktaka' or single topical verses, entitled the Tārāgaņa, was compiled by one Śańkuka, apparently a poet at the élite assembly of the Pratīhāra potentate Nāgāvaloka (Nāgabhatta II: A.D. 807-835). In point of fact, Bhadrakīrtti earlier was at the court also of the later Maurya king Ama or Amraraja, son of Yaśovarmā of Gopagiri (Gwalior), and next, for some time, also was at the court of the Pāla monarch Dharmapāla of Laksmanāvatī (Laknauti) (A.D. 770-810) in Bengal before he moved to the Pratīhāra court in Kānyakubja (Kanauj). He is also accredited with the composition of several elegant hymns in Sanskrit to the Jinas and to the goddess Sarasvatī: At least six of these are currently available. He, moreover, had renovated the stupa of Arhat Parśva in Mathura in A.D. 770 and, at his instance, Ama built Jaina temples at Gopagiri and Kānyakubja. And he is hailed as a victor in his disputation with the Buddhists at Gopagiri as also with the Botika-Kşapanaka (or Digambara-Kşapanaka) at Ujjayantagiri. He passed away, according to his medieval biographers, in A.D. 839.

Among the archaeological relics of the eighth century are the weather-worn Jaina images from Ajāharā (Ajārā) situated on the western sea-board of Saurāṣṭra

and a now headless seated figure of a Jina, at present in the Government Museum, Junagadh, believed to be from Prabhāsa. A Jaina monastic settlement of Digambara affiliation existed in the eighth century in Nāgasārikā (Navasārī) in Southern Gujarat. And there were contemporaneous Jaina establishments of consequence in the tracts of Rajasthan adjoining Gujarat, for example at Citrakūṭa (Cittauḍ) in Medapāṭa (Mevāḍ) where the great Haribhadra sūri (active c. A.D. 745-785) stayed and wrote his commentaries on five āgamas and composed several works in Prakrit and Sanskrit including a few hymns. And in Jābālipura (Jālor) some abbatial pontiffs of the Nāgendra kula such as Vīrabhadra lived and where his pupil, Uddyotana sūri, composed the famous Kuvalayamālākahā in Prakrit in A.D. 778. In c. A.D. 800, Guṇapāla of the same lineage composed a work, the Jambūcariya, in Prakrit. Vīrabhadra had built a temple to Ādinātha at Jābālipura. Also, in Satyapura (Sāñcor) was built a temple to Jina Mahāvīra, apparently in early Pratīhāra times and probably by the Pratīhāra potentate Nāgabhaṭṭa I, in c. A.D. 750, which became a very famous 'tīrtha' in the medieval period.

In the meantime, Arabs from Sindh attacked Valabhī in A.D. 758, again in 776, and finally in A.D. 787. As a result, Valabhī was completely devastated with its famous Buddhist University, the many Buddhist monasteries and temples, and assuredly also its Brahmanical and Jaina foundations. Thus was terminated the 250 years old Maitraka rule in Valabhī. Before it all happened, at least the ancient sacred Jina images from Valabhī's Jaina temples were transferred to safer havens like Prabhāsa, Vardhamānapura (Vadhavāna), Kāśahrda (Kāsindrā), Hārija, and Bhillamāla as reported in late medieval In those fateful years, Jinasena of Punnāta samgha, an immigrant writings. branch of monks from Karnātadeśa, composed his famous work, Harivamsapurāna, in A.D. 784 in Vardhamānapura in Saurāstra. He refers to the temple of (the Jaina Yaksī) Ambikā, 'śāsanadevatā' of Jina Aristanemi, on the first of the five summits of Ujjayantagiri (Girnār Hills), later called after the goddess as 'Ambā-śikhara', as also a Jaina temple at Dostaţīkā (Dottaḍī), also located in Saurāstra. The existence of an ancient Jaina temple at Anandapura (Vadanagara) in north Gujarat is alluded to by Jayasimha sūri of Kṛṣṇarṣi-gaccha in his Dharmopadeśamālā-vīvarana (A.D. 859). Incidentally, a few years earlier, the same author had composed an expository work on the Upadeśamālā of Dharmadāsa gaņi (c. mid 6th cent. A.D.) In his times, Nāgapura (Nagaur) in Upper Rajasthan, had a flourishing Śvetāmbara establishment.

One of the luminous figures of the Svetāmbara Church in pre-medieval times and, arguably of the latter half of ninth century in Gujarat, was Jīvadeva sūri of Vāyata-gaccha, an abbatial offshoot of the Nāgendra-kula. He apparently was an abbot at the Śvetāmbara abbey-temple in Vāyata, present day Vāyada in north Gujarat, and was then famous for the literary excellence of his prabandhacompositions in Prakrit, now unavailable but admired by a poet of no mean order, namely Dhanapāla (latter half of the tenth and early 11th century) who was at the court in Dhārā of the Paramāra monarch Muñja (between A.D. 972/974-993/998) and next the illustrious Bhojadeva (A.D. 1010-1055) in the Malava country. Jīvadeva sūri also had composed a work on the lustral ceremony of the Jina images, namely the Jina-snātra-vidhi and was known for his proficiency in magic. He had consecrated a Jaina temple built by the local tradesman named Lalla in Vāyata. His contemporary in Lāṭa, Gargasvāmi alias Gargarṣi, composed a karmagrantha called the Pañcasangraha with an autocommentary. And another famous contemporary, Śīlācārya of Nivrtti kula, composed the Caüpanna-mahāpurisacariya in Prakrit (A.D. 869) as well as two agamic commentaries on the first two (and incidentally the earliest) of the 11 anga- \bar{a} gamas, namely the Ac \bar{a} ranga (c. last quarter of the 5th to the 3rd cent. B.C. [Book I] and c. 1st cent. A.D. [Book II]) and the Sūtrakrtānga (Book I, c. 3rd-2nd cent. B.C. and Book II, 2nd cent. B.C.-1st cent. A.D.) in Gambhūtā (Gāmbhū) in north Gujarat. Probably, a Jaina temple existed at that time in Gambhū. As for the building activities of the Jainas in Gujarat in this age, not much for these decades is known except for the founding of a temple to Jina Pārśvanātha by the Cāpotkaṭa chieftain Vanarāja (c. A.D. 880-900) at Anahillapātaka, the capital of his newly established principality: the ancient image enshrined therein originally was the cult image in an earlier temple in Pañcāsara, the ancestral town of the Chief. To this temple the tradesman Ninnaya, who had migrated from Bhillamāla to Anahillapātaka, added a hall in c. A.D. 900 or soon after. Incidentally, Vanarāja's minister Jāmba was a Śvetāmbara Jaina. In the adjoining Mahā-Gurjara style-territory in Rajasthan, the remains of a Jaina temple at Brahmāna and another at Deśuri-nī-nāļa—now in a very ruined condition, and both of the third quarter of the ninth century—exist, the first one in a renovated form is still under worship. A Jaina temple was founded by a chief Kakkuka in A.D. 869 at Ghatiyālā in Marumandala.

The medieval epoch starts with the dawn of the tenth century. It was in the medieval times that Jainism's field of activity as well as its following progressively

achieved the greatest expansion which included monastic proliferation, and indeed reached an acme of glory never to be duplicated in posterior times. One of the earliest and the greatest figure at the beginning of the tenth century was Siddhasena alias Siddharşi of Nivrtti kula. He, by then, had moved from the Lāta territory in Gujarat to Bhillamāla in Gurjaradeśa in Rajasthan. Siddharşi had composed the justly famous allegorical work—world's first and hence the earliest—the Upamitibhavaprapañcākathā (A.D. 905) in Sanskrit and a commentarial work on the Upadeśamālā of Dharmadāsa gaņi (c. A.D. 550). Probably, the Nyāyāvatāra ascribed to Siddhasena Divākara is his compilatory work. In Saurāstra, Harisena of the Punnāta samgha composed the Kathākośa in A.D. 933 at Vardhamānapura. And Goggatācārya, a caityavāsī monk or abbot, composed a commentary on Samudra sūri's work in Dhavalakakka (Dholakā) in c. A.D. 950. (Apparently, a Jaina temple with monastic establishment had already existed in Dholaka.) Also, Padalipta sūri (III) of Vidyādhara vamša (kula) composed his famous ceremonial and iconographical work, the Nirvāņakalikā, as also the Puņdarīka-prakīrņaka olim Sārāvalī-prakīrņaka (c. latter half of the 10th cent.), the last-noted work being the earliest glorificatory work on the celebrated tīrtha of Śatruñjayagiri. Of the three pontiffs going by the appellation 'Pālitta' (whose biographies the medieval Jaina biographers/chroniclers confused), it was he, the third one, who apparently had met the Rāṣṭrakūṭa emperor Kṛṣṇa (III) at Mānyakhetaka (Malakheda), an event recorded in the Prabhāvakacarita of Prabhācandra (A.D. 1277). Two more notices concerning the literary activities in this period pertain to some fine compositions, the hymn Jinasataka (c. mid 10th cent.) and the Manipaticaritra (or more appropriately the Munipaticaritra) (A.D. 959) by Jambū alias Jambūnāga, a monk of Candra kula. On the Jinasataka, Sāmba-muni of the Nāgendra kula wrote a pañjîkā (A.D. 969), an elucidatory work. And Pārśvanāga authored the Ātmānuśāsana (A.D. 986), a fine work pertaining to selfdiscipline leading to the elevation of soul.

While noticing the literary achievements of those fruitful decades, we must add a few more. For instance, one Maheśvara sūri, disciple of Sajjana upādhyāya, composed the Pañcamī-māhātmya in Prakrit. The Saṃyama-mañjarī in Apabhraṃśa by some Maheśvara sūri could have been the work by the aforenoted pontiff. In the later part of the tenth century, Bhadreśvara sūri composed the Kahāvali, a 'kathā' class of work which also dwells on the biographies of the historical personages like Pālitta (Pādalipta) sūri, Siddhasena Divākara, Devarddhi gaṇi, Mallavādī, and Haribhadra sūri which contain important pieces of information for the historians of

Jainism. A more notable work of the latter half of the tenth century, however, was the monumental commentary, the Tattvabodhavidhāyinī *olim* Vādamahārṇava on the Sanmati-prakaraṇa of Siddhasena Divākara (c. second quarter of the 5th cent. A.D.), by Abhayadeva sūri of Candra kula. Abhayadeva's royal disciple Dhaneśvara sūri (who was prince Kardama of Tribhuvanagiri, today's Tahangaḍh, in Rajasthan before joining the order of the monks) was held in high esteem by the Paramāra potentate Muñja of Dhārā (last quarter of the 10th cent. A.D.). (After Dhaneśvara sūri, who being of the princely pedigree, the hagiological line of his branch of friars got the appellation 'Rāja-gaccha.') At the fag end of the tenth century, Vardhamāna sūri of Candra kula composed a commentary (A.D. 999) on the Upadeśapada of Haribhadra sūri. He also had written the Upadeśamālā-brhadvṛtti. An inscription on the metal Jina image bearing the date A.D. 988 and mentioning his name had been reported from Katigrāma.

Apparently, by late tenth or the beginning of the 11th century, several gacchas that had originated in various towns within Rajasthan, established their seats in Anahillapätaka or Anahillapattana, the capital of the Solankis of Gujarat. Among them the more prominent were Brhad, Purnatallaka, and Harsapuriya of the mendicant friars, and Ukeśa as well as Khandilla-gaccha of the abbatial affiliation. The Tharapadra-gaccha and the Modha-gaccha, the two that were indigenous to Gujarat, also had established their monastic foundations in this city. Alongside the growth of monastic settlements and the consequent multiplication in the number of monks and friars as well as, correspondingly, the founding of temples, the strength of the Jaina lay community also grew on two counts: First, the Śrīmālīs (from Śrīmāla i.e. Bhillamāla), Prāgvāṭas (from Ābu area), and Ukeśavālas, later called Osvālas (from Ukeśa or Osiāñ) in Rajasthan migrated in large number and apparently in waves (as also discretely as individuals seeking fortunes in) to Gujarat and were soon to become influential by virtue of their opulence got through trade. Several of them came to occupy high positions at the court of the Solanki monarchs: second, these most favourable circumstances ushered in an era of prolific temple-building activity in Gujarat and to some extent in Rajasthan where somewhat analogous conditions prevailed.

As for the temple building activity in the tenth century, Mūlarāja I, the first Caulukya king, built a Jina temple (of Digambara affiliation) at Aṇahillapāṭaka. He also honoured the Digambara abbot Lalitakīrtti of Citrakūṭa. His son and crown prince Cāmuṇḍarāja, gave a land grant to the Śvetāmbara Jaina temple in

Varuņašarmaka (Vaḍasamā) in A.D. 976. Cāmuṇḍarāja also organized the 'praveśa-mahotsava' (city-entry celebration) of the Śvetāmbara pontiff Vīra gaṇi.

While several Jina metal images of the tenth century—among which a fairly large number represent those of Jina Pārśva—are available, the remains of the Jaina temples are exceedingly rare in Gujarat because of the total destruction of all religious buildings in the major cities of Gujarat in A.D. 1025-1026, again in 1217, and next in 1304 by Islamic invaders and subsequent Muslim occupation of Gujarat for several centuries. The tangible remains on the surface, therefore, of the earlier Jaina buildings are next to none, the only small exceptions being the old base and lower section (vedibandha) of the wall of the main shrine of Adinātha (c. mid 10th cent. A.D.) together with two subsidiary shrines (late 10th cent.) in that complex located in Anandapura (Vadanagara) as also an architecturally inconsequential celllike and porchless shrine of Ambikā at Thān in Saurāstra. In the Medapāṭa or Mevāḍa and the adjoining western tract, Jaina temples were of course built, some of consequence such as at Ghānerāv (c. mid 10th century) and at Āghāta (Ahāda) (last quarter of the 10th century), the then capital of the Guhila kings, near Udepur. And in Hastikundi (Hathundi), a Jaina temple was built by the Rāṣṭrakūṭa chief Vidagdharāja in early tenth century to which his son Mammata gave donations in A.D. 940, while the grandson Dhavalaraja renovated it in A.D. 997. Next, in Candrāvatī, Ker (A.D. 967), and Nāndiyā in the Ābu area as also in Jābālipura were built Jaina temples that were largely damaged during the invasion periods.

From the 11th century A.D., Jainism noticeably begins to gain greater strength in Gujarat. During the reign of the Solańkī monarch Durlabharāja (A.D. 1009-1022), two mendicant friars—Jineśvara and Buddhisāgara of Candra kula—from lower Rajasthan visited Aṇahillapāṭaka and by arguing, on the basis of āgamic injunctions/rules, the authenticity of the mendicant order of friars as against the abbatial of the caityavāsī monks, got permission to settle and found the mendicant establishments there which, under the strong influence of the abbots, were till then denied to the friars. That gave further impetus to Śvetāmbara Jainism as a whole when, as its consequence, the strength and prestige of the abbots eventually waned. The aforenoted Jineśvara sūri composed several works: the Pañcalingī-prakaraṇa, the Vīracaritra, and the Nirvāṇa-Līlāvatī-kathā in Āśāpalli, c. A.D. 1027-1035; next the Pramālakṣma with an auto-commentary, the Ṣaṭsthānaka-prakaraṇa—all of these in Sanskrit—a Kathākośa in Prakrit, and a few hymns in Sanskrit. His disciple Dhaneśvara composed the Surasundarī-kahā in Prakrit in Candrāvatī (A.D. 1035).

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Jineśvara's junior confrère Buddhisāgara composed Pañcagranthī-vyākaraņa in Jābālipura in A.D. 1024. A few years earlier, Devagupta I of the Ukeśa-gaccha composed the Navapada-vṛtti and the Navatattva-prakaraṇa, both in A.D. 1017. And Vīrabhadrācārya composed some works in Prakrit, of the Prakīrņaka class, such as the Ārādhanā-patākā (A.D. 1027), the Bhaktaparijñā, the Gacchācāra, and possibly also the Catuḥśaraṇa. Jineśvara's senior contemporary, Śānti sūri of Thārāpadragaccha (active c. A.D. 990-1040), composed a commentary in Sanskrit on the Uttarādhyayana-sūtra, probably the Dharmaśāstra, also a work on the lustral ceremony of the Jina image, and a hymn called 'Santi-stava' in Sanskrit for the purpose of generating peace by its power. He visited the court of Bhoja in Dhārā at the instance of the Jaina poet Dhanapāla who had composed a Sanskrit Nāmamālā, a Prakrit lexicon, and a famous ākhyāyikā entitled the Tilakamañjarī. composed a few hymns like the Rṣabha-pañcāśikā and the Mahāvīra-stuti in Sanskrit, the Satyapura-mandana-Mahāvīra-Jinotsāha in Apabhramsa, and the Śrāvakavidhi in Prakrit. He, moreover, commented on the Stuti-caturvimśatikā of his younger brother, Sobhana muni, who predeceased him. A few years hence, Vijayasimha sūri, an abbot of the Śakunikāvìhāra-caitya in Bṛgukaccha, composed in c. A.D. 1030-1040 his famous hymn in Sanskrit on Neminātha, believed to be addressed to Jina Aristanemi of Ujjayantagiri. He was honoured at the court of the Śilāhāra king Nāgārjuna of Sthāna (Thāṇe near Mumbai) and had received the title of 'Khadgācārya' from the said king. Another Śvetāmbara pontiff—Candanācārya who had composed a fiction, the Aśokavatī, likewise graced the élite assembly of the Sthāna's king. He was also honoured at the court of Bhoja at Dhārā.

King Bhīmadeva I of Gujarat, in his late years, bequeathed a grant of land to the Jaina temple at Vāyāṭa-Mahāsthāna near Boṭāḍ in Saurāṣṭra (c. A.D. 1062). His finance minister Jāhilla was a Śvetāmbara Jaina. So was his other minister Neḍha, a descendant of Ninnaya, whose younger brother Vimala was appointed daṇḍanāyaka at Candrāvatī. Vimala built temples for Jina Rṣabha in Ārāsaṇa (in marble) in or before A.D. 1031 and in Delvāḍā on Mt. Ābu (in black stone) in A.D. 1032. And Jiṇaha was Bhīmadeva's daṇḍanāyaka stationed at Dhavalakakka in king's late years. Also, Vimala's son or younger brother Cāhilla was either his mahāsandhivigrahaka or had occupied some other high position.

In Anahillapattana, King Bhīmadeva's maternal uncle and next the Jaina pontiff after he embraced the order of the monks, namely Dronācārya, composed a commentary on the Oghaniryukti. His nephew and disciple Surācārya, a Sanskritist

of high calibre, composed a dvisandhāna-mahākāvya, the Nemicaritra (A.D. 1034), which also skillfully interwove the Rṣabhacaritra within its fabric. He, moreover, composed the Dānādi-prakaraṇa. At the invitation of Dhanapāla, he visited Dhārā and defeated the paṇḍitas of Bhoja's learned assembly in disputation. In A.D. 1062, Abhayadeva sūri, disciple of the earlier mentioned Jineśvara sūri of Candra kula, completed his famous commentaries on the three āgamas of the aṅga category, the Sthānāṅga, the Samavāyāṅga, and the Jňātādharmakathā in A.D. 1064 and thus he began writing his well-known nine āgamic commentaries for which he later earned the title 'Navāṅgavṛttikāra'. He consecrated the exhumed ancient image of Pārśvanātha in Stambhanapura (Thāmbhaṇā) in a new temple in c. A.D. 1054 or 1075 and of another Jina in the Jiṇāha-vasati at Dhavalakakka (Dhoļakā), a temple built by the earlier noted daṇḍanāyaka Jiṇaha.

In Bhīmadeva's successor Karņadeva's time (A.D. 1066-1095), Jainism continued its forward march on all fronts. Karṇadeva had several Jaina ministers like Śāntu who built the Śāntu-vasahikā in Aṇahillapāṭaka, next Muñjāla, who built Muñjāla-vasatikā in the same city, then minister Pradyumna who embraced the order of the mendicant friars in the Harṣapurīya-gaccha, who next was to be known as Hemacandrācārya. Karṇadeva gave a grant to the Jaina temple at Ṭākovāvī (Ṭākodī) in A.D. 1084. Cāhilla, earlier mentioned, was king's mahāsandhivigrahaka.

Abhayadeva sūri continued his work on writing the agamic commentaries in Karnadeva's time; these were on the Vyākhyāprajñapti (A.D. 1172), the Upāsakadaśā, the Antakrddaśā, the Anuttaropapātika, the Praśnavyākaraņa, the Vipāka, the Aupapātika, and on the third 'pāda' of the Prajñāpanāsūtra of Ārya Śyāma II (c. 3rd cent. A.D.). He also wrote a commentary on the Pañcāśaka of Haribhadra, the Şatsthānaka of his guru Jineśvara sūri, and also authored a work called the Ārādhanā-kulaka. He, moreover, composed a few hymns in Prakrit and one of the most famous of all hymns, the Jayatihuana-stotra in praise of the stambhana-Pārśvanātha, in Apabhramśa. There were, in those decades, some other famous figures engaged in the creation of religious literature. For instance, senior confrère Jinacandra sūri composed Abhayadeva sūri's Ι Samvegarangaśālā. And Siddhasena sūri, who had assumed a sobriquet 'Sādhāraṇa', composed the Vilāsavatī-kathā in Apabhramśa in A.D. 1067, besides composing several hymns including the one called the Tirthavandanā-stotra, which is perhaps the first among the extant compositions of that category. In A.D. 1069, Nami sādha of Thārāpadra-gaccha composed the Caityavandana-vrtti as also a 'tippaṇa'

containing brief notes on the Kāvyālankāra of Rudrata. In A.D. 1073, the Dharmopadeśamālā-vivarana was composed (by some author) in Prakrit. In the meantime, the illustrious Kāśmirī brahmin poet Bilhana sojourned for some time in Anahillapataka, apparently with minister Santu. He composed a play, the Karnasundarī-nātikā, some time around A.D. 1070 and the Pārśvanāthāstaka, an elegant and graphic hymn in Sanskrit. In the last quarter of the 11th century A.D., Devendra muni of Brhad-gaccha, afterwards elevated as Nemicandra sūri, composed the Uttarādhyayana-sūtra-vrtti (c. A.D. 1073), as also two works of the narrative class in Prakrit, namely the Ratnacūdā-kathā and the Ākhyānakamanikoşa, and the Mahāvīracaritra in Anahillapātaka, the last one in A.D. 1083 or 1085. Also, Gunacandra sūri wrote the Vīracaritra (Prakrit; c. 1185) and Śālibhadra sūri composed a commentary on the Sangrahani. Moreover, between A.D. 1061-1071, Abhayadeva sūri's disciple Candraprabha mahattara authored the Vijayacandracaritra in Prakrit. And Navāngavṛttikāra Abhayadeva sūri's disciple Vardhamānācārya wrote the Manoramā-kahā in A.D. 1084. (He was to continue his creative work in the next century also.) In A.D. 1090, Devacandra sūri of Pūrņatallagaccha composed a commentary on his grand preceptor Pradyumna sūri's Mūlaśuddhi-prakarana. In A.D. 1093, Candraprabha sūri of Brhad-gaccha founded Pūrnimā-gaccha. He had composed the Darśanaśuddhi Prameyaratnakośa. Also, a Digambara narrative work was composed in the seventies in Anahillapattana.

In the last note on Karnadeva's age must be mentioned the name of Jinavallabha sūri (active c. A.D. 1060-1111), the disciple of Abhayadeva sūri, from whom the Kharatara-gaccha apparently had started. He was the most versatile and prolific writer who composed with equal mastery in Sanskrit and Prakrit. His literary activity is spread between Karnadeva's as well as his son and successor Siddharāja's first decade and a half. Also, his field of activity covered Rajasthan and the Mālava country besides Gujarat. He strongly opposed the lax abbatial practices. He consecrated the Jaina temples named the 'vidhi-caityas' as against the abbeytemples, in Citrakūṭa (Cittaud, two temples), Nāgapura (Nāgaur: Nemi Jinālaya), Marupura, and Naravarapura. He was honoured at the court of the Paramāra king Naravarmā in Dhārā. He composed about a dozen dogmatic and doctrinal works like the Āgamika-vastu-vicārasāra, the Piṇḍaviśuddhi-prakaraṇa, the Dharmaśikṣā etcetera, and authored several soulful hymns addressed to the Jinas in Sanskrit as well as in Prakrit.

One of the most influential pontiffs of the late years of Karnadeva and early decades of Siddharāja was Maladhārī Abhayadeva sūri of Harṣapurīya-gaccha. At his instance, the Cāhamāna monarch Pṛthvīrāja I installed a golden finial on the Jaina temple at Raṇathambhora. He, moreover, went to Gopagiri (Gwalior) and got the gates of the Jaina temple there, which for long were closed, opened by invoking the help of king Bhuvanapāla (Kacchapaghāta Mahipāla). In A.D. 1086, he consecrated the image of Antarīkṣa Pārśvanātha in Śrīpura, to which king Elaca granted the village Śrīpura (Sirpur) itself. By his preaching, a temple to Jina Mahāvīra was built in Meḍatapura (Meḍatā) in Rajasthan. At his instance, minişter Śāntu installed golden finials on the Śakunikāvihāra in Bṛgukaccha. Also at his instance, Jayasimhadeva Siddharāja forbade the killing of animals on certain auspicious days in his empire.

In the time of Siddharāja Jayasimha (A.D. 1095-1144), Jainism touched its first highest peak of glory. The number of works produced by several different erudite pontiffs and munis of various gacchas is much too large and even if succinctly noted here would run into several pages. Only the most famous/salient works and their authors' names, therefore, can be noticed here. This is also true of the many temples, monasteries and related buildings built during this and the subsequent period of Kumārapāla.

Devacandra sūri of Purņatalla-gaccha composed Śāntinātha-caritra in Prakrit in A.D. 1104. In 1105, Śānti sūri of Bṛhad-gaccha composed Pṛthvīcandra caritra. He is also known as the founder of the 'Pappala-gaccha'. Continuing his activity on producing literary works, Vardhamāna sūri, disciple of Abhayadeva sūri, composed Ādinātha-caritra in Khambhāta (A.D. 1104) and Dharmaratnakaraṇḍaka with an autocommentary in A.D. 1116.

In A.D. 1113, Āryarakṣita sūri founded Añcala-gaccha and, he and his disciples, as the times demanded, were actively engaged in literary activities and their followers also contributed to the temple-building activity.

Recalling the further literary productions of that age, one must note the several important works authored by Municandra sūri of Bṛhad-gaccha. Also, the Jaina scholar Vāgbhaṭa authored a work on poetics, the Vāgbhaṭālaṅkāra, and the blind Jaina poet Śrīpāla wrote the Vairocana-parājaya as well as the eulogy for the Sahasralinga taṭāka (which was a reservoir built by Siddharāja in Aṇahillapāṭaka), and of the Rudramahālaya temple in Siddhapura and the donative eulogy of

Siddharāja which gave account of his donations to Bilpānk's Śaiva temple in the Mālava country. Moreover, Devendra sūri of Candra-gaccha, Śrīcandra sūri, the disciple of Dhaneśvara sūri of Candra-kula, Yaśodeva sūri and Siddha sūri of Ukeśa-gaccha composed many doctrinal and didactic works, and Hemacandra sūri of Harṣapuriya-gaccha composed several commentaries including the one on the Viśeṣāvaśyaka-bhāṣya of Jinabhadra gani. Jinavallabha sūri's erudite disciple Jinadatta sūri (Kharatara-gaccha) composed several works including a few fine hymns such as the Ajita-Śānti-stava.

Among the notable temple-building activities of the time, emperor Siddharāja built Rājavihāra in Aṇahillapāṭaka and Siddhavihāra in Siddhapura. Now, several of the members of his large ministerial council were Śvetāmbara Jaina. Among them, besides the ministers Śāntu and Muñjāla who were there from Karṇadeva's time and had continued, there were Udayana, Āśuka, Āliga, Ambāprasāda, and daṇḍanāyaka Sajjana. A few of them also built temples. Ambāprasāda had authored a work on poetics, the Kāvyakalpalatā, and composed a hymn in honour of Ambikā of Ujjayantagiri and minister Udayana built Udayanavihāra in Karṇāvatī with 72 devakulikās. Āśuka built a temple to Jina Neminātha at the lower reaches of Mt. Śatruñjaya, and Sajjana replaced the old temple of Neminātha on Mt. Girnār by a new structure in A.D. 1129 (or a few years earlier). And Āliga supervised the construction of the two royal temples at Siddhapura, namely the Rudramahālaya (Śiva temple), and the Siddhavihāra (caturmukha temple for Mahāvīra) for which the king rewarded him with land etcetera.

At the court of Siddharāja, Vādi Deva sūri of Bṛhad-gaccha defeated the Digambara dialectician Kumudacandra of Karnataka at the court of Siddharāja in Aṇahillapattana in A.D. 1125. Deva sūri authored an epistemological work, the Pramāṇa-naya-tattvālaṁkāra with a long commentary, the Syādavādaratnākara, and hymns in Sanskrit addressed to the Buddhist goddess Kurukulla and Kalikuṇḍa Pārśvanātha. His junior contemporary Ācārya Hemacandra of Pūrṇatalla-gaccha composed Siddha-Haima-Śabdānuśāsana, a grammar on which he also wrote commentaries, and next the Lingānuśāsana. He also composed the Kāvyānuśāsana (a work on poetics) and Chandānuśāsana (a work on prosody and meters) as well as four lexicons including the Deśīnāmamālā, and the Sanskrit Dvyāśraya-kāvya.

Vādi Deva sūri's junior contemporary, the learned Dharma sūri of Rāja-gaccha was active and influential in Rajasthan. He defeated the Digambara

dialectician Guṇacandra at the court of Cāhamāna Arṇorāja (A.D. 1133-1153) in Ajayameru (Ajmer). He composed the Dharmakalpadruma and a few beautiful hymns in Sanskrit.

As a closing note of Siddharāja's time, it may be mentioned that he honoured Dharmaghoṣa and Samudraghoṣa sūris of Pūrṇimā-gaccha and Hemacandra sūri of Harṣapurīya-gaccha. He had bestowed the title 'Simhaśiśuka' and 'Vyāghraśiśuka' to Ānanda sūri and Amaracandra sūri of the Nāgendra-gaccha.

Emperor Kumārapāla's period covering some 30 years (A.D. 1143-1173) was also very productive both for the literary as well as building activity. Kumārapāla came under the influence of Ācārya Hemacandra and built many Jaina temples. Most of these were known as 'Kumāravihāra'. He built temples to Pārśvanātha at Aṇahillapāṭaka and at Prabhāsa. Also the Tribhuvanapāla-vihāra and the Tri-vihāra at Aṇahillapāṭaka and a grand temple of Ajitanātha at Tāraṅgā. Moreover, he built Kumāravihāras at Khambhāta (Stambhatīrtha), Maṅgalapura (Māṅgaroļ), Tharād (Thārāpadra), Acalagaḍha (Mt. Ābu), Jālor (Jābālipura) and some other places. He, moreover, got the steps constructed for clambering Mt. Ujjayantagiri under the supervision of his Jaina daṇḍanāyaka Āmradeva stationed at Junāgaḍh.

Among the Jaina members of his ministerial council were such stalwarts as Udayana, his two sons Vāgbhaṭa and Āmrabhaṭa, Kaparddi, Ānanda and Pṛthvīpāla (a fourth descendant of Vimala's elder brother Nedha) and a few others. His temple at Tārangā was built under the supervision of dandanāyaka Abhayada. Minister Vāgbhaṭa was a zealous builder. He built the great temple of Ādinātha on Śatruñjayagiri and founded near the foot of the hill a township named Kumārapura (after Kumārapāla) and a temple there named Tribhuvanapālavihāra (after emperor's father's name). In Dholakā he built a large temple with devakulikās, the temple called Udayana-vihāra (c. A.D. 1166). Āmrabhaṭa replaced the old Śakunikāvihāra at Bharuca by a large new temple. Minister Pṛthvīpāla added halls to some preëxisting Jaina temple, such as Vimala temple at Ābu, the temple at Sāyaṇavādpur and at Pattana. We forego mentioning several other temples built during this period and now turn to the literary activities.

Illustrious Hemacandrācārya continued his literary activities which included the Prakrit Dvyāśraya-kāvya, the Triṣaṣṭiśalākāpuruṣa-caritra, the Mahāvīra caritra and some hymns like the Mahādevastotra and a few others which are epistemological-philosophical in nature.

Hemacandra's disciples were also very learned. Among them Rāmacandra wrote several plays in Sanskrit on Jaina themes, such as the Nāṭyadarpaṇa (in collaboration with Guṇacandra), besides a few other works. The hymns composed by his confrères Bālacandra and Sāgaracandra have also come to light. There were several literary works by the authors of other gacchas, like Jinadatta sūri of Vāyadagaccha etcetera which need not detain us here. However, we may take a brief note on Ācārya Malayagiri who flourished in the latter half of the 12th century and was the greatest commentator of that age. He commented on several āgamic works.

As a passing note, it may be mentioned that both Siddharāja and Kumārapāla had visited Śatruñjaya-tīrtha: Siddharāja also had bequeathed a grant of 12 villages to the Śatruñjaya-tīrtha and had visited Ujjayantagiri. And the Vāghelā regent Vīradhavala gave the grant of village of Ankevāliyā at the request of Vastupāla.

After Kumārapāla, his successor Ajayapāla, who ruled only for three years avenged on those Jainas who had counselled to disinherit him. He, moreover, pulled down several Jaina temples built by Kumārapāla and his supporters. Still some literary activities were going on even in those hard times. Notable among those were the plays Mohaparājaya by Yaśacandra and Prabuddha-rohiņeya by Rāmabhadra. And Somaprabhācārya wrote some of his famous works like the Sūktimuktāvalī and the Jinadharmapratibodha (A.D. 1184).

The first four decades of the 13th century attested to the decline set in from Ajayapāla's time. While Bhīmadeva II (A.D. 1179-1240) did not patronize Jainism, he was also not against it. It was, next, in the domains of the Vāghelā chief Vīradhavala of Dhavalakakka that the fresh era of glory for Jainism was ushered in, thanks particularly to the munificence of two statesmen, prime minister Vastupāla and his brother, minister Tejapāla. Vastupāla was an erudite connoisseur of Sanskrit literature, himself a poet, as well as patron of poets and builder of many Jaina temples, also some Brahmanical shrines, even mosques in places like Khambhāt, and of course the civic works like stepwells, reservoirs etcetera. He and his brother Tejapāla together had built about 50 Jaina temples, notable among those (built by Vastupāla) were on Mt. Śatruñjaya (c. A.D. 1231, all destroyed), Mt. Girnār (Vastupāla-vihāra, A.D. 1232; and Satyapurāvatāra Mahāvīra), Śatruñjayāvatāra Ādinātha (Dholakā), Aṣṭāpada temple (Prabhāsa), Āsarāja-vihāra (Aṇahillapāṭaka) and also a temple in Khambhāt, Cittaud (now used as Samiddheśvara temple), and in several other places. Tejapāla founded the Nandīśvara temple and built the reservoir

Anupama-sarovara, both on Mt. Śatruñjaya; also the Kalyāṇatraya temple on Mt. Girnār, Temple of Ujjayantāvatāra at Dhoļakā, the Nandīśvara fane (in this case 52 Jinālayas) in Karṇāvatī temple of Ādinātha at Prabhāsa (c. A.D. 1234) as also the Jaina temples at Pāvāgadh and Godhrā, and his surviving temple, the world famous Luṇa-vasahī temple on Mt. Ābu. As for the literary activities of the age, Vastupāla wrote the Naranārāyaṇānanda-kāvya and some hymns in Sanskrit referring to Jina Rṣabha of Śatruñjaya and Jina Ariṣṭanemi as well as the śāsanadevī Ambikā of Ujjayantagiri. His preceptor Vijayasena sūri of Nāgendra-gaccha composed Revantagiri-rāsa in Apabhramśa/old Gujarātī and Pralhādanaputra wrote Ābu-rāsa in Apabhramśa, both works are important from historical viewpoint as well. Vijayasena sūri's disciple Udayaprabha sūri composed the Dharmābhyudaya-kāvya, the Sukṛtakīrttikallolinī, the play Karuṇā-vajrāyudha, an astrological work the Ārambhasiddhi, and several commentaries on different works.

There were poets who wrote on Vastupāla, eulogizing his deeds. Someśvara wrote the Kirttīkaumudi; Thakkura Arisimha composed the Sukṛtasamkīrtana; Bālacandra the Vasantavilāsa, and Jayasimha sūri, the Hammiramadamardana. Works of this category are known as composed by Naracandra sūri and Narendra-prabha sūri of the Harṣapurīya-gaccha and by Harihara paṇḍita and a few less known poets.

After the glorious period of Vastupāla, the sun of Jainism began to slide down. Only a few luminous figures are now known. From Jagacchandra sūri began the Tapāgaccha. His learned disciple Devendra sūri composed works on the karmaprakṛti and some hymns, just as his disciple Dharmaghoṣa sūri wrote a large number of hymns, few in Prakrit as well. The tradesman Jagaḍu Sāha of Kutch was engaged in social as well as temple building activity.

The final note must be taken of minister Pṛthvīdhara (Pethaḍa Sāha) of Mālavadeśa who is said to have built about 84 temples in central, but most of them were in western India, a territory from which he in fact had hailed.

It is in the background of those great medieval times that the temples in Kumbhāriyā were founded.

CHAPTER 2

Kumbhāriyā and Contemporary Writings

Though it was rather an out of the way and virtually a less remembered site, Kumbhāriyā was not totally neglected by writers of the modern times as the following résume of the available writings reveals.

- 1. The earliest, and hence the pioneering notice on the site and the temples in Kumbhāriyā was by Alexander Kinloch Forbes in his famous Râs Mâlâ; or Hindoo Annals of the Province of Goozerat, in Western India, London 1856, New Edition by J.W. Watson, 1878, pp. 327-328. Forbes explains the presence of the calcined marble blocks at the site as the result of the volcanic activity. He also narrates the legend of the 360 temples built by Vimala Sāha through the grace of goddess Ambikā, the wrath of the goddess, and subsequently her burning all the temples save five, and dwells for a while on the Neminātha temple where he refers to a single detail of an inscription there, dated S. 1305/A.D. 1249.
- 2. Henry Cousens's Revised Lists of Antiquarian Remains in the Bombay Presidency, Vol. VIII (ASI, NIS, Vol. XVI), 1897 (Original lists by James Burgess, 1885), p. 238 succinctly dwells on Kumbhāriyā but it adds nothing to what is recorded in the Râs Mâlâ on which it apparently had depended.
- 3. D.R. Bhandarkar, in his *Progress Report of the Archaeological Survey of India, Western Circle, For the months July 1905 to March 1906*, inclusive, Bombay 1906, pp. 40-46, describes the site of Kumbhāriyā and gives the account of its six temples, which is the first publication to lay bare some details of these buildings. He begins with the Neminātha temple and next dwells on the Mahāvīra, the Śāntinātha, the Pārśvanātha, the Sambhavanātha and the Kumbheśvara temple. His description allows us to go a century back in the past and visualize the condition of the temples and the site in those years. As he had observed, the temples then were all whitewashed. The removal in later times of the limewash in the interiors with the help of tools also effaced the polish and the ivory-like patina, especially in the main ceilings of the Śāntinātha and the Pārśvanātha temples which, as a result, look very

dry. The exteriors of the temples in particular, as can be inferred from Bhandarkar's observations, had been periodically repaired/renovated. There are, of course, a few factual errors and inaccuracies in his statements, which here will be pointed out in their proper context.

While describing the Neminātha temple, he rightly mentions that its main shrine is decorated though its sikhara just as its closed hall are later in workmanship. Inside the closed hall, along the walls, he noticed sculptures like the standing Jina images (still in position), that of Ganadhara Pundarīka, Meru, Sahasrakūta, Cauvisvat (caturvimsati-Jina-patta)—all of which no longer traceable—next Aśvāvabodha-Samalikāvihāra-caritra-patta (the subject of which he could not identify since the myth that underlay its portrayal he apparently was unaware of) and at the end of the first list he added the word "and so forth" which perhaps implied and included the pattas like Jinamātā, Vis-viharamāna, Saptatiśata etcetera, some of which are now transferred to the Mahāvīra temple. He, however, errs in equating the 'mukhamandapa' (satcatuskya) of the inscriptions with 'gūdha-mandapa'. And although he notices there the figure of Ambikā and the Nandīśvara-paṭṭa, he does not mention the Saptatiśata-paṭṭa and the 'Kalyāṇatraya' sculpture also located there. As for the hall's (rangamandapa's) painted dome, he took it to be modern. It, of course, is original and of c. A.D. 1137: And the painting apparently was of the Mughal period.

Bhandarkar next describes the Mahāvīra temple. He takes the walls of the (main) shrine as modern, a statement not correct. They are devoid of figure sculptures on the jaṅghā but otherwise are original. Likewise, his observation that the śikhara is rebuilt by using original pieces is also not fully accurate. There are minor resettings, reparations and substitution of older decayed stones but no wholesale rebuilding appears to have been undertaken.

He had seen the central ceiling of the rangamandapa-hall as 'broken' and whitewashed. It has been since then carefully conserved and no lime coating is any longer discernible there. He refers to other ceilings of the rangamandapa (showing narratives etc.) and compares them with those in the Vimala temple at Mt. Ābu. Actually, these are not located in the rangamandapa proper: they cover the aisles between the paṭṭaśālā-cloister and the rangamandapa. And they are superior to, and earlier than those in the Vimala temple which are six to ten decades posterior in time. He accurately reads the inscriptional date of the mūlanāyaka's pedestal as A.D. 1061.

He sees Śāntinātha temple as similar to Mahāvīra's except for the minor differences. He notices that the ceilings of the hall (he means those above the lateral aisles) are all whitewashed. It is clear that he had read the inscriptions on the pedestals in all the subshrines there and correctly notes that they all are of A.D. 1081. He rightly declares the hall's ceiling as old, and estimates that once there were four toraṇas (supported by the bhadra-pillars in each direction.)

Coming next to the Pārśvanātha temple, he remarks that it had three doorways, the two of which are closed and the western one now allows access. He is right in saying that the main shrine and the closed hall have been partly repaired. He also observed that, except the (main) domical ceiling, rest are rebuilt (in fact replaced by plain slabs with the exception in the west wing of the paṭṭaśālā where they are original) and whitewashed, the lime during the subsequent restorations had of course been removed.

As for the Sambhavanātha temple, he dwells on it briefly as it so merits. He felt that the śikhara of the sanctuary is old but rebuilt, with carved lower śṛṅga-turrets which are original, an observation that is only partially valid: For the mūlamañjarī or central spire is also old. His views next on the Kumbheśvara temple will be briefly alluded to in the Chapter 5.

In the concluding paragraph, Bhandarkar declares the site's all Jaina temples to be of the middle 11th century, by comparing their carving with that of the Mt. Ābu's Vimala temple, and the Kumbheśvara temple with the Sun temple, Modherā, an assertion not upheld either by the inscriptional or the stylistic evidence. First, Vimala temple's interior (its marble hall, cloistered corridors) dates from c. A.D. 1144-1189; while the Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā range in date from c. A.D.1062 to late 13th century. This observation is based on the inscriptional evidence: Second, the style of the main parts of the Mahāvīra, Śāntinātha (originally Rsabhadeva), and Pārśvanātha temples is definitely early compared to Vimala temple's marble components. Even the Neminatha temple's older parts are anterior to the marble portions of the Vimala temple's interior by a decade or so, though its devakulikās, except for the two bhadraprāsādas, are posterior to even the Tejapāla temple in Delvādā (A.D. 1232-1252) since several of those (devakulikās) are as late as A.D. 1282. And Modherā temple's dates (c. A.D. 1027 [prāsāda with gūdhamandapa] and 1075 [rangamandapa]) are earlier than Kumbheśvara's by 180 to 130 years.

Bhandarkar's *Report* has been extensively used by several subsequent writers in Gujarātī. Henry Cousens' critical remarks in the *infra* notes on Bhandarkar's observations at a few points in the selfsame *Report* are both perceptive and pertinent. They will be alluded to at relevant points in the discussions in the body of this text.

- 4. Next is the *Prācīna Jaina Lekha Saṅgraha* (Pt. 2) by Jinavijaya, published in Gujarātī in the Pravartaka Śrī Kāntivijaya Jaina Itihāsamāļā, No. 6, Śrī Jaina Ātmānanda Sabhā-Bhāvnagar, Bhāvnagar 1921. This work, for the first time, incorporates some 30 inscriptions (there Insc. 277-306) and gives their translation with discussion thereof on pp. 165-185. For the data on the temples, however, the compiler had largely used Bhandarkar's *Report*.
- 5. In 1936, Śilpi Jagannātha Ambārāma (Somapurā), Amdāvād, wrote his *Bṛhad Śilpaśāstra* in Gujarātī wherein he incorporated the ground plans of all Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā (his pp. 107-111), but nowhere does he refer to those in his text, nor did he make even a cursory allusion to those temples.
- 6. Muni Jayantavijaya's *Arbuda-Prācīna-Jaina-lekhasandoha* (Ābū Pt. 2), was published from Ujjain in V.S. 1994 (A.D. 1938). Therein are five inscriptions from Delvāḍā (four of A.D. 1189 and one of A.D. 1279) which refer to Ārāsaṇa. (*Vide* there Insc. 124, 129, 141, 144 and 297.)
- 7. Soon after, Narmadāśankara Mūlajībhāi Somapurā published his Śilparatnākara (Dhrāngadhrā 1939) in which he, perhaps for the first time, published some photographs of the details of the Kumbhāriyā temples, captured through some 14 pictures. Most of these relate to the details of the Mahāvīra temple, for instance, the main temple's śikhara, the vedikā of its trika's porch, its rangamaṇḍapa's pillars, the Padmanābha vitāna of its trika as well as some four lateral Samatala ceilings: Also included are the rangamaṇḍapa's Sabhāmandāraka vitāna of the Śāntinātha (originally dedicated to Rṣabhadeva) temple, and the back view of the prāsāda of the Sambhavanātha (originally Śāntinātha) temple. However, he nowhere relates those to or even casually refers to them in his exposition of the text proper.
- 8. In 1947, from Bhāvnagar, Mathuradās Chhaganlāl Śeṭh published a booklet entitled Śrī Kumbhāriyājī Tīrtha ūrfe Ārāsaṇa in Gujarātī which gives information in very general terms on the history and buildings at Kumbhāriyā, the routes of approach, the local facilities then available, etcetera.
- 9. Muni Jayantavijaya wrote his *Arbudācala Pradakṣiṇā* (*Ābu Pt. 4*) (Guj.) published in Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar V.S. 2004 (A.D. 1948) in

which the book's pp. 10-29 are devoted to the description of the Kumbhāriyā site and its temples. He also refers to Bhandarkar's *Report*, but largely records his own observations which are fairly useful. No illustrations, however, are included.

- 10. Muni Jayantavijaya next published some of the Kumbhāriyā inscriptions recorded by him while visiting the Jaina temples in the sites around Mt. Ābu. His important book containing these data was entitled *Arbudācala Pradakṣiṇā Jaina-lekhasandoha* (Ābu Pt. 5) with an introduction and translation in Gujarātī. It was published in Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar V.S. 2005 (A.D. 1949), where the inscriptions numbered 3-41 from Kumbhāriyā temples appear on pp. 2-15 (trans. on pp. 3-15). Some of these are also found in the earlier publication of Muni Jinavijaya (1921).
- 11. Muni Nyāyavijaya (Tripuṭī group), published his *Jaina Tīrtho-no Itihāsa* (Guj.) in Śrī Cāritrasmāraka Granthamāļā, No. 38, Amdāvād 1949, pp. 297-301. It is an uncritical and not a particularly well-organized work but devotes its pp. 291-301 to Kumbhāriyā. A few details that figure there may be compared with those given in other publications.
- 12. Pt. Ambālāl Premchand Shah's useful compendium, the *Jaina Tīrtha Sarva Saṅgraha* (Guj.), I.2, was published from Amdāvād in 1953. Here, on pp. 283-287, he dwells on the Kumbhāriyā temples, using earlier published sources, adding as he also did a few observations of his own.
- 13. Pt. Ambālāl Premchand Shah's *Rāṇakapura-nī Pañcatīrthī* published in Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar V.S. 2012 (A.D. 1956), has a limited bearing on Kumbhāriyā in that it includes Poet Khīmā's *Caityaparipāṭī* as well as 'Rāṇigapura-caityaparipāṭī-stavana' of Pt. Meha (c. mid 15th cent. A.D.) which incidentally refers to the Vimala's foundation of Jina Rṣabha /Ādinātha temple in Ārāsaṇa.
- 14. Tripuṭī Mahārāja, in their *Jaina Paramparā-no Itihāsa*, Pt. 2 (Guj.), Śrī Cāritrasmāraka Granthamāļā, No. 54, Amdāvād 1960, have spared the book's pp. 298-300 for the Ārāsaṇa-tīrtha but fail to add new information.
- 15. A more useful work published in Gujarātī is Śrī Ārāsaņa Tīrtha apara nāma Śrī Kumbhāriyājī Tīrtha, by Muni Viśālavijaya published in Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar 1961. The book is based on the impressions recorded during Muniji's two visits to Kumbhāriyā, one in 1931 with his guru Muni Jayantavijaya, and the second in 1951. For this book Pt. A.P. Shah coördinated

Muniji's notes and added some 122 inscriptions recorded in early thirties by Muni Jinavijaya but had not appeared in his 1921 publication since read and collected by him later in c. 1931. Our present monograph is largely indebted to this book for the inscriptional and several other incidental Jaina historical notings and some details on archaeological remains, now disappeared. Munijī's book also contains eight pictures, which include a general view of the Mahāvīra temple, three Samatala ceilings and a parikara-toraņa from the same temple, two pictures of the maṇḍovara or wall of the Neminātha temple, and one of the Kumbheśvara temple.

- 16. The first author of this monograph, in his earlier work, "The Chronology of the Solanki Temples of Gujarat," *Journal of the Madhya Pradesh Itihasa Parishad*, No. 3, Bhopal 1961, succinctly dwelt on these temples and mainly, though, briefly, discussed the dates of the site's temples on pp. 34-35, 40-41, 44-45, 49-50, and 67-68 and included the temples' brief descriptions and one photo-illustration, of Mahāvīra temple's śikhara and its closed hall's roof.
- 17. In 1963, J.M. Nanavati and the first author of the present monograph published a long paper, "The Ceilings in the Temples of Gujarat," *Bulletin of the Baroda Museum and Picture Gallery*, Vols. XVI-XVII, *Ed.* B.L. Mankad, Baroda. In this monographic paper, some ten pictures relating to the Kumbhāriyā temples' ceilings are included, discussed, and described. These are figs. 9, 18, 37, 43, 47, 62 and 63 there—all of them from the Mahāvīra temple, and figs. 21 a & b, 48, 64 (Śāntinātha), 65 (Pārśvanātha) and 68 (Neminātha)—some pertain to the main or central ceiling of the raṅgamaṇḍapa and some to the aisle or trika of each of the three temples.
- 18. Soon after, Śrī Kanaiyālāl Bhāīśankara Dave, in his Ambikā, Koţeśvara ane Kumbhāriyā (Guj.) in Śrīsayājī Sāhityamāļā, No. 334, M.S. University of Baroda, Vadodarā 1963, discussed Kumbhāriyā and its environs in light of its historical perspective, the linguistic explanations of the appellation Ārāsāṇa etc., besides dwelling on the temples where of course he largely had depended on Bhandarkar as well as Jinavijaya.
- 19. Stella Kramrisch, in her famous book, *The Art of India: Traditions of Indian Sculpture, Painting and Architecture*, Third edition, London 1965, included two plates, one relating to the prāsāda of the Mahāvīra temple and the second to the interior of the raṅgamaṇḍapa of Pārśvanātha temple (there Plates 132, 133) and dwelt on their qualitative aspects.

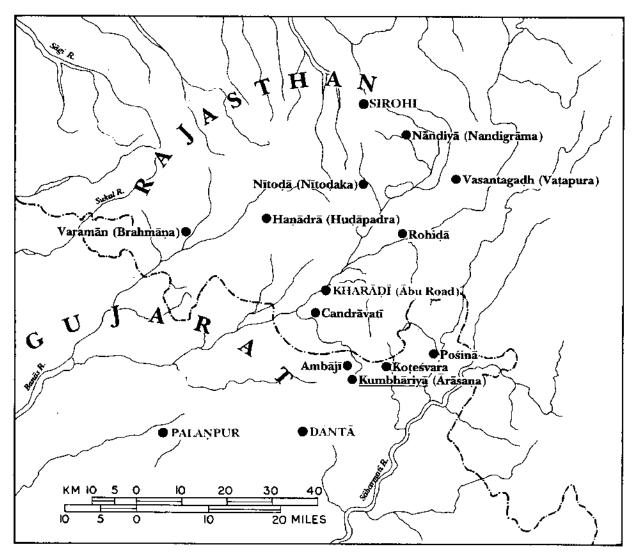
- 20. In 1971, the first author of the present monograph, with H.P. Shastri of Prabhas Patan Museum, published an article in Gujarātī, entitled "Ārāsaṇa-nā be Jaina pratimā lekho-nī viśeṣa vācanā," *Svādhyāya*, Vol. 8, No. 2, V.S. 2027 (A.D. 1971), pp. 189-198. In this article, the inscription on the pedestal of the cult image of the Mahāvīra temple was read afresh and a couple of gaps in phrases could be filled in. Likewise, the inscription on the Aṣṭāpada-prāsāda was read again and a few words could be clarified. (Lakshmanbhai Bhojak and Amrut Patel recently further improved upon our reading.)
- 21. The first author of this monograph, in "The Western Indian Jaina Temple," Aspects of Jaina Art and Architecture, Eds. U.P. Shah and M.A. Dhaky, Ahmedabad 1975, pp. 319-384, Plates 1-28, discussed the formal aspects of these temples, with particular reference to some ceilings of the Mahāvīra temple (there Plates 8, 12, 14-15, and 20) and the bhadraprāsāda and its pillars in the paṭṭaśālā of the Pārśvanātha temple (there Plate 23), and the views of the interior of Śāntinātha and Pārśvanātha temples (Plates 2 & 3).
- 22. In the above-cited Aspects of Jaina Art and Architecture (1975), also appears a paper by Harihar Singh with the title "The Jaina Temples of Kumbhāriā," pp. 299-318, in which the author has described the temples and included some 22 illustrations.
- 23. Harihar Singh subsequently enlarged upon his above-cited earlier paper in a book entitled *Jaina Temples of Western India*, Parshvanath Vidyashram Series 26, Varanasi 1982. Here his discussion on the different aspects of Kumbhāriā temples is spread out in different sections. Those who are interested in the enumeration/description of almost each and every moulding involved in the make up of the exterior and interior will be happy with this book. Of about 38 plates dealing with Kumbhāriā, his plates 22-35 show details of the Mahāvīra temple, 36-45 of Śāntinātha temple, 46-52 of Pārśvanātha temple, 59-65 of Neminātha temple and 110-112 of Sambhavanātha temple.
- 24. The first author of this monograph, in his article, "Sāhitya ane Śilpa-māñ 'Kalyāṇatraya'," (Guj.) *Nirgrantha* 1, Ahmedabad 1995, pp. 98-110, Plates 1-4, has identified the Kumbhāriyā Neminātha temple's paṭṭa of A.D. 1287 (there Plate 2) representing 'Kalyāṇatraya' on the basis of inscriptions and the āgamic and other literary references.

25. The same author wrote a guidebook in Gujarātī entitled Ārasītīrtha Ārāsaņa (Kumbhāriyājī), Śeṭh Āṇandjī Kalyāṇjī, Amdāvād 1997, pp. 1-18, Plates 1-32, in which he has discussed the historical perspective of the tīrtha and has given full description of the temples.

Late Medieval Sources

The Jaina writers in Gujarātī had used some of the late medieval sources concerning Kumbhāriyā, some of these in Sanskrit and Prakrit, consulted also by the authors of the present monograph.

- 1. The earliest is what has been called the "Vividhatīrthastutayaḥ" (sundry hymns): The composition is by one 'Jinacandra' who plausibly was Jinacandra sūri III of the Kharatara-gaccha (A.D. 1286-1320). This composition is incorporated in the *Jainastotrasandhoha* (Pt. 1), *Ed.* Muni Caturavijaya, Prācīna (Jaina) Sāhityoddāra Granthāvali, No. 1, Amdāvād V.S. 1989 (A.D. 1932), pp. 375-377. Its verse 22 (p. 377) refers to the five temples of 'Ārāsaṇanagaratīrtha' by name, those of Nābheyadeva (Rṣabha), Śāntinātha, Nemi, Pārśva, and Vīra.
- 2. In S. 1503/A.D. 1447, Somadharma gaṇi, disciple of Cāritraratna gaṇi and grand disciple of Somasundara gaṇi of Tapā-gaccha, composed the *Upadeśa-saptatikā* in Sanskrit which, in its second chapter, eighth lecture, dwells on Pāsila and the tale of the building of the Neminātha temple at Ārāsaṇa. The text was edited by Muni Caturavijaya as No. 33 of Śrī Ātmānanda Grantharatnamālā, Bhāvnagar V.S. 1971/A.D. 1915, pp. 38, 39.
- 3. The "Ārāsaņīya Nemicaityaprabandha," incorporated in the *Purātana Prabandha Saṅgraha*, *Ed.* Muni Jinavijaya, Adhiṣṭhātā-Singhī Jaina Jñānapīṭha, No. 2, Calcuttā V.S. 1992 (A.D. 1936), pp. 30-31was composed some time before S. 1528/A.D. 1472. It, too, dwells on the anecdote of the building of the Neminātha temple at Ārāsana by Pāsila.
- 4. The *Prācīna Tīrthamāļā-samgraha* edited by Vijayadharma sūri includes in the collection the "Pt. Megha-Viracita Tīrthamālā," composed by Pt. Megha (or Meha) in c. mid 15th century A.D. Its verse 24 and 25 describes Ārāsaṇa, its mines and mentions the five temples, namely of Ādi(nātha), Nemi(nātha), Loḍaṇa (Pārśvanātha), Śānti(nātha), and Vīra (i.e. Jina Mahāvīra.)



1. Location map of Kumbhāriyā.

CHAPTER 3

Kumbhāriyā: Denomination and Historical Background

Kumbhāriyā/Kumbhāriā, is situated about a mile and a half, or two and a quarter kilometres, to be precise slightly southeast of the famous holy tīrtha-town Ambājī of the Brahmanical goddess Ambā, District Banaskantha, in north Gujarat (see location map, Fig. 1). It is today a hamlet-like habitation, important only because of the existence of six medieval marble temples, five Jaina and one Śivaite, at the site. From about the turn of the century, the pilgrims had started revisiting the temples in progressively larger number just as the architectural splendours of the Jaina temples' interiors, for the past few decades, daily attract scores of tourists, thanks particularly to the improvements in roads and transport services as well as lodging and boarding facilities.

On the basis of later traditions, or maybe as an outcome of sheer speculations, suggestions have been made by contemporary writers for explaining how the site got the present appellation "Kumbhāriyā" or "Kumbhāriā". It is, for example, said to be after the Guhila monarch Mahārāṇā Kumbhā (Kumbhakarṇa) of Mevād (Medapāta) (A.D. 1435-1470)¹ or after some rājaputa named Kumbhā who lived there;² or the site was so called after the settlement there of the 'kumbhāras' (Skt. kumbhakāras), members of the potter community.³ But the appellations for the settlement that overwhelmingly, indeed without an exception, figure in the medieval inscriptions are neither Kumbhāriyā nor Kumbhāriā: They invariably are Ārāsaṇa/Ārāsana and Ārāsanākara/Ārāsanākara,4 the suffix 'ākara' figuring in the second alternative appellation, in each instance, denotes 'quarry' (or 'metal mine') with reference arguably to the ancient marble quarries in the hills situated north-northeast of the settlement site. Even in an inscriptional reference of a date as late as A.D. 1619 (here Chapter 7, Insc. 145), it is called 'Arāsana-nagara', the denomination Kumbhāriyā clearly, then, is of a much later vogue, whatever its origin may have been. In any case, in the context of the temples, it has no relevance from the historical standpoint.

Table 1: Inscriptional notices of 'Ārāsaņa' and variants

Appellation	Date		Insc.	Location of the Inscription
	Samvat	A.D.	No.	Location of the Inscription
Ārāsaņa	1087	1031	1	Ādinātha caitya (now Śāntinātha)
н	1118 ?	1062 ?	4	Mahāvīra caitya
н	1206	1150	85	Neminātha caitya
н	1259	1203	54	Pārśvanātha caitya
н	1259	1203	60	п о
11	1259	1203	63	tt te
9	1276	1220	73	R O
11	1310	1254	96	Neminātha caitya
11	1314	1258	99	u u
11	1331	1275	143	On a stray stone
••	1346	1290	144	Near Kumbheśvara, donative"
Ārāsana	1110	1054	2	Ādinātha caitya (now Śāntinātha)
11	1110	1054	3	11 11 11
TI .	1147	1091	16	Mahāvīra caitya
11	Undated		33	Neminātha caitya
Ārāsaņākara	1206	1150	86	Mahāvīra caitya
	13 + 4	-	48	(Pedestal originally in Mahāvīra temple, now in the principal shrine of Śāntinātha temple)
	1313	1257	142	On a stray stone (near Neminātha temple)
ft	1338	1282	113	Neminātha caitya
Ārāsanākara	1145	1089	13	Mahāvīra caitya
11	1147	1091	15	14 11
11	1153	1097	136	On the pedestal of Siva image of the ruined Sangamesvara
	1161	1105	49	Pārśvanātha caitya
11	1204	1148	80	Neminātha caitya
v	1208	1152	88	11
11	1214	1158	89	(4 (7)
11	1214	1158	90	e o
11	1314	1258	97	u o
17	1314	1258	98	tr O
•	1323	1267	100	17
Ārāsaņanagara	1675	1619	145	Mahāvīra caitya

The term/word 'ārasa' in Gujarātī, which stands for marble, may have derived from the settlement's appellation "Ārāsana". 5 'Ārasa' (or rarely 'ārāsa') doubtless was the kind of local marble quarried specifically from Ārāsana,6 the hills around are for long time known as Ārāsur, a nomen in which the memory of the denomination 'Ārāsana' is preserved.⁷ The alternative explanation offered for the formation of the compound 'Ārāsana' is based on the assumption that it is a combination of two words—'āra' meaning metal and 'āsana', seat.8 In the 19th and early 20th century, as reported by Bhandarkar and other writers, fragments of burnt stones were strewn all over the site, which led them to suggesting that there were many more temples as also were there metal mines in the neighbourhood and consequently the furnaces for smelting the ore within the town. 10 However, on Bhandarkar's report, Cousens significantly remarked: "I doubt whether there were many more temples, originally, than are now seen. The amount of calcined marble scattered about points to ordinary houses and palaces rather than temples. Marble requires the aid of wood to calcine it, and had it in the timbers, rafters, doors and windows of the houses. In temples there is practically nothing that will burn of itself: hence these temples escaped the flames, though probably not the iconoclastic hand. - H.C.".11

When exactly the settlement was established is not known. The earliest temple to be built on the site was in or a little before A.D. 1031. The discovery and exploitation of the marble quarries may have been the raison d'être for this settlement, probably some years in the first quarter of the 11th century. From the older vestiges visible on the surface (brick structures forming low mounds noticeable behind some of the temples and a little beyond), it may be inferred that the old township was of modest dimensions and, predictably in the medieval times, was inhabited predominantly by the Jaina mercantile community, their several families assumably trading in marble and some plausibly may have been money-lenders.

Today, as earlier mentioned, there stand five Jaina temples, the sixth one is sacred to Śiva. All of these are built of local marble. These, as will be shown, were founded between early 11th and c. mid-late 13th century, apparently a period of prosperity for the town. While none of the standing buildings was the result of royal patronage, or even due to the munificence of high officials like mantrīs (ministers, counsellors), daṇḍanāyakas (generals), or even bhāṇḍāgārikas (treasurers) of a monarchical or imperial power, as is otherwise known in regard to several Jaina foundations in western India, there is evidence of the epigraphical and literary record that at least one Jaina temple, that of Jina Rṣabha/Ādinātha (Phase II), was a

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'Samgha-caitya' and hence built through the corporate efforts of the members of the Samgha or Fraternity: that of Jina Neminātha was built by a tradesman Pāsila of Ārāsaṇa as noted in the reliable anecdotal literary records preserved in the late medieval sources, to be subsequently noticed (Chapter 5), with additions progressively made by other lay adherents as attested by inscriptions.

The temples are located in relatively smaller area, though not too close to each other, in this order: At the extreme southeast is the temple of Arhat Pārśva (known in Khīmā's pilgrim psalm, c. mid 15th cent. A.D., as Lodaņa Pārśvanātha)¹³ and at a little distance to its northwest stands the temple of Jina Mahāvīra. Further northwest lies the temple originally built for Jina Rsabha but later dedicated, as will be shown, to Śāntinātha; and the largest of the whole assemblage, which is a centrally situated building at the site, standing southwest of Śāntinātha's, is the one sacred to Jina Neminātha. The fifth, the one that is regarded today as of Jina Sambhavanātha but, as will be shown, was sacred to Jina Śāntinātha, is located at a fair distance, some 600 feet northwest of the last-noted foundation. The temple of Siva, which currently goes by the name 'Kumbheśvara', stands about 100 feet northwest of the Sambhavanātha temple. (See the schematic site plan, Fig. 2). While the Siva temple faces east, all the five Jaina temples are oriented toward north. One more Siva temple there, with a sculpture bearing the date (A.D. 1090) and two very fragmentary inscriptions referring to it as 'Sangameśvara', 14 was built earlier than Kumbheśvara. It was already in a completely devastated condition when first reported.¹⁵

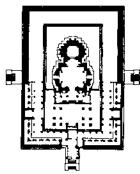
The local folklore and the legend state that minister Vimala had built 360 Jaina fanes at the site with the grace of the (Brahmanical) goddess Ambā. When inquired by Ambā as to by whose grace he built these temples, Vimala's response was: "Through the grace of my guru". That enraged the goddess who commanded him to run away from the site and burnt down all temples except five. In the legend was floated apparently on the basis of three factors, two physical, one psychological. The burnt stone fragments strewn over the site in the past, and the buildings' exteriors in part blackened due to weathering and algae action on the lime of the marble were visually too overtly apparent before the site's clearance and along with it buildings' first cleaning undertaken some eight decades ago. The third reason is the envy of the later days' local Brahmanists, of the Jainas' wealth as also not particularly warm feeling for, or favourable disposition toward, Jainism. As had been remarked by some writers (question as they also did the legend on some other grounds), the building of as many as 360 temples may only be possible in an area

miles larger than the present one, whereas the evidence on the surface is that the settlement was of considerably smaller dimensions. The late 13th century pilgrim, Jinacandra sūri (III), presumably of the Kharatara-gaccha, reports only five temples there, namely those of Rṣabha, Mahāvīra, Pārśva, Nemi, and Śānti all of which today stand at the site. What is more, with the sole, and plausible, exception of the temple of Ādinātha—now no more extant—the rest of the temples, on epigraphical as well as stylistic evidence of architecture, associated sculpture, and no less of decorative art, were built posterior to the time of Vimala. 21

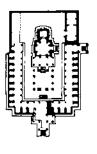
Turning toward the political history of Ārāsaņa related to the 11th, 12th, and the 13th centuries, it was then included within the monarchical, next imperial, domains of the Solankis of Gujarat. An image-pedestal inscription of A.D. 1031 (here No. 1, Chapter 7) in the Śāntinātha (originally Ādinātha) temple refers to 'Bhīma-bhūpa' (Caulukya monarch Bhīmadeva I, A.D. 1022-1066) and an inscription on the pedestal of a Jina image in the Neminātha temple, dated A.D. 1150 (No. 85) and another, its date covered up by plaster but probably of the same time and now in the Mahāvīra temple (No. 86), report that the images to which the two inscriptions were connected had been installed at the behest of the Caulukya emperor Kumārapāla (A.D. 1144-1174). In the early 13th century (c. A.D. 1203), however, during the period of Caulukya Bhīmadeva II (A.D. 1175-1235), Ārāsaņa apparently was governed by Paramāra Dhārāvarṣa of Candrāvatī (Nos. 54, 60, 63, 73),22 a mandalika/māndalika or vassal chieftain ruling under the tutelage of the Solankī emperors, though, an inscription dated V.S. 1263/A.D. 1207 (No. 140) directly mentions (Caulukya) Bhīmadeva II as the ruling monarch. An inscription of (V.)S.1331/A.D. 1275 (No. 143) reports the reign of a local chieftain Mahipāladeva [who is known to be ruling from Trisangamaka (Trisangamapura) in c. A.D. 1313]²³ and of (V.)S.1346/A.D.1290 (No. 144) clearly mentions Candravati's chief mahārājakula Vīsaladeva's authority, understandably on Ārāsaņa.²⁴

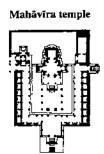
In early 14th century, when the Jaina temples in Delvādā on Mt. Ābu were desecrated by the Muslim armies, to be precise in c. A.D. 1313 (or at any rate before A.D. 1322, the date of their renovation/reconsecration), the Ārāsaṇa temples may have escaped since not located on the route of the invaders and, what is more, the inscriptions recording the setting up of images from A.D. 1310 continue there till A.D. 1338 (Nos. 126-133). (Also, unlike Mt. Ābu's Delvādā temples, there are no inscriptions reporting replacements/reconsecrations in early 14th century in any of the five Jaina temples.) The temples, however, for some reason and for long centuries



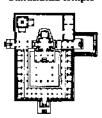






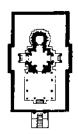


Śāntinātha temple



2. Site plan showing temples in Kumbhāriyā. (Not to the scale.)

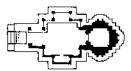
Samhhavanātha temple



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Kumbheśvara temple



after that date, were either relatively forsaken or much less frequently visited:25 At least no Jina images (with a single exception of the one in the present day Sambhavanātha temple) or other related objects of worship such as the pattas etc., were set up in the 15th or the 16th century.26 Could it be that an invasion, hitherto unreported but some date soon after A.D. 1338, was responsible for the destruction of all original images ?27 Bhandarkar, however, felt that it was some time after A.D. 1619 that Ārāsaņa may have been attacked, the town laid to waste, and its temples were desecrated.28 Cousens, in his remark on Bhandarkar's statement, places this happening during the period of one of the Sultans of Gujarat and hence in the 15th century.²⁹ Whatever may have happened, temple's original cult images and the main images from the subsidiary shrines have all, for certain, disappeared.³⁰ The tiny Jina images carved on the Aṣṭāpada (A.D. 1210) enshrined in a corner chapel in the Śāntinātha (Ādinātha) temple complex are all woefully mutilated (Plate 128), just as the Samavasarana in a caturmukha chapel in the Mahāvīra temple complex is in a damaged condition (Plate 73), providing as they both do a further and very palpable evidence on the visit of an iconoclast to the site at some point in late medieval times.

According to the 'pattāvalī' of Dharmasāgara of Tapāgaccha, in late 16th century, at the instance of Vijayasena sūri, chief disciple of the illustrious jagadguru Hīravijaya sūri whom the Mughal emperor Akbar held in high esteem, the temples in Ārāsaņa were renovated.31 However, it is not clear as to what was involved in the renovation. At least there is no epigraphical endorsement to that effect known from any of the five temples. Within decades next, however, Vijayadeva sūri, chief disciple of the aforenoted pontiff Vijayasena suri, consecrated the cult images of the main sanctuaries in the Mahāvīra, Pārśvanātha, and Neminātha temples, that was in (V.)S.1675/A.D. 1619 (Insc. 145-148).³² The administration of the temple was next entrusted to the Fraternity of Posīnā. As years went by, the condition of the temples had deteriorated as apparently the jungle once more began marching and gaining control of the temples' surroundings. In late 19th century, the administration of the temple was taken over by Seth Premacand Raicand of Bombay and next the Jaina mayor of Ahmedabad is reported for some time to be in charge of the temples. They were next taken over by the Saringha of Dātā. In view, however, of the deplorable state of the temples, in 1921, at the instance of Vijayanemi sūri, the temples' charge were transferred to Seth Āṇandjī Kalyānjī, a religious institution which from that date on is their custodian. They soon started the clearance of the site and effected essential repairs to the temples, as records report, from 1923 onwards. A building

housing their office was built in c. 1922 on the south end vacant ground between the Pārśvanātha and Mahāvīra temples. And back in A.D. 1901 or 1904,³³ a dharmaśālā, with vaulted rooms in Rajasthānī style, was built by Śeṭh Mansukhbhāi Bhagubhāi. Further improvements in the temples' environs and the building of two guest houses and more efficient management in the last three decades have made the visits to the site more facile, educative, and comfortable. (A guidebook in Gujarātī on the site's Jaina temples sponsored by Śeṭh Āṇandjī Kalyāṇjī and written by the first author of this monograph is available with the site-manager's office.)

Annotations

- 1. It is, of course, not clear whether Kumbhāriyā was then under the Mevāḍa rule, though Mt. Ābu certainly was. In any case, Forbes so records: "Near Umbâjee (Ambājī), beside a rivulet, and among natural shrubberies of wild jasmine and other scented flowers is a little village founded by Koombhâ Rânâ (Rāṇā Kumbhā), of Cheetor, and called after his name, Koombhâreeâ (Kūmbhārīā)." Vide the Râs Mâlâ, NE, London 1878, p. 327. But Bhandarkar (Progress Report, ASI, WC 1905-1906, p. 45) discredits this legend. See also the refutation of this belief by Kanaiyālāl Bhāiśaṅkara Dave, Ambikā, Koṭeśvara ane Kumbhāriyā, Vadodarā 1963, pp. 46-47.
- 2. Muni Visālavijaya advanced this conjecture: Cf. Śrī. Ārāsaņa Tīrtha apara nāma Śrī. Kumbhāriyājī Tīrtha, Bhāvnagar 1961, p. 10.
- 3. This is the guess of Muni Darśanavijaya, vide, Jaina Paramparā-no Itihāsa, Pt. 2, Amdāvād 1960, p. 299. However, Muni Viśālavijaya disagrees with him: see his Śrī. Ārāsaņa Tīrtha., p. 10.
- **4.** See here Table 1 on page 34 and relevant Inscriptions appended at the end of Chapter 7.
- 5. The point has been discussed by Bhandarkar, Dave, and other scholars.
- 6. Or is it because the marble was already known as 'ārasa' and hence the appellation 'Ārāsaṇa'? Ārasa's cognate Gujarātī word 'ārasī' means 'mirror.' Is it because the marble can receive high mirror-like polish and hence was ealled 'ārasa'? But this is a side issue and for the philologists to decide.
- 7. This is the view of several early writers on Kumbhāriyā. They had thought about and discussed the origin/etymology of the word Ārāsur.
- **8.** Dave, *Ambikā*., pp. 34-35.
- 9. Bhandarkar, p. 40; Dave, pp. 46, 47.
- 10. Dave, Ibid.
- 11. Progress Report, ASI, WC (1905-1906), p. 46, infra.
- 12. There was one more, and earlier, Siva temple of which, as will be discussed, whatever meagre remains were, by now have completely disappeared.
- 13. Mentioned in Pt. Megha's "Tīrthamālā." (Cf. Vijayadharma sūri, Prācīna., vs. 25, p. 50.) Whether the name has anything to do with 'Loṭāṇā', a village near Nāndiyā where there was a medieval temple of Pārśvanātha, is a moot point. If it has, then the Kumbhāriyā instance would be a 'tīrthāvatāra' shrine.

- 14. See Viśālavijaya, Śrī. Kumbhāriyājī., pp. 150-151.
- 15. *Ibid.*, p. 151. The inscription cited there, of S.1153/A.D. 1097 on the image of Siva, mentions 'Sangameśvaradeva'.
- 16. This legend is noted by Forbes, Bhandarkar, and some subsequent writers on Kumbhāriyā.
- 17. The latter point had been noted by Prabhāśankara O. Somapurā as reported by Jayantavijayajī in the Arbudācala Pradakṣiṇā (Ābu Pt. 4), Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar 1948, p. 28. Prabhāśankara'bhāi, in the fifties, had also mentioned this fact to the first author of this monograph.
- 18. Even today, some go as far as saying that these were our temples appropriated by the Jainas who have retooled the original figures and converted them as Jaina divinities as also replaced the original by inserting Jaina motifs and details in carving.
- 19. Bhandarkar, Dave, and a few other writers.
- 20. Nābheyadevam siri Santināham Nemim jiņam Pāsajiņam ca Vīram aņantanāņāi guņāņa ṭhāṇam saremi Ārāsaņanayaratitthe (Cf. Muni Caturavijaya, Jainastotra., p. 377.)
- 21. This point will be fully clear when the epigraphical and stylistic evidence will be produced while describing these temples in Chapter 5.
- 22. After the death of the Solankī king Ajayapāla in A.D. 1177 and soon after the victory near Ābu on the Muslim invaders by the Gujarāt army, Dhārāvarṣa apparently had played a significant rôle and, as a result, had become the *de facto* ruler of the Arbudamaṇḍala. Of course, he had always remained loyal to the Solankī throne.
- 23. This fact is mentioned in the 'Năbhinandana-jinoddhāraprabandha' of Kakka sūri of Ukeśa-gaccha (A.D. 1337) (Edited by Pt. Bhagavāndās Harakhcanda, 1929) in the context of acquiring a marble piece from Ārāsaņa by Samarasimha of Anahillapāṭaka for making the image of Ādinātha of Satruñjaya. (See there 4.20-140: pp. 130-139.)
- 24. Otherwise his name would not have been mentioned in the inscription.
- 25. In the 15th century, however, a few pilgrim notices based on the visits are of course available in the 'caityaparipāṭīs'.
- 26. Inscriptions pertaining to this period are extremely rare in the temples.
- 27. There is, of course, and till now, no evidence illuminating this dark corner in the local history.
- 28. Progress Report., p. 45.
- 29. Ibid., p. 46, infra.
- **30.** As other instances, the arms and nose of the two kāyotsarga images in the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Mahāvīra temple were mutilated: the arms, in the past, were rejoined.
- 31. See the citation, Viśālavijayajī, Śrī. Kumbhāriyājī., p. 80.
- 32. The image of Ādinātha in the eastern bhadraprāsāda of the Neminātha temple also dates from that period.
- 33. Šeṭh Mathuradās gives the date S. 1957/A.D. 1901, while Muni Viśālavijayajī mentions S.1960/A.D. 1904 as the date of the Dharmaśālā (Śrī. Kumbhāriyājī., p.60). Muniji, moreover, mentions the name of the builder as Śeṭh Mansukhbhāi Bhagubhāi (of Amdāvād.)

CHAPTER 4

Western Indian Jaina Temple: Generalities

The full-fledged western Indian Jaina temple complex, built according to the tenets of the Maru-Gurjara architectural style, has a typical ground plan/floor plan and, as its consequence, the design involving the presence of specific components and their characteristic internal organization and corresponding external appearance which distinguish it from a contemporaneous Brahmanical temple. It also remains distinguished from the extant medieval Jaina temples of eastern, upper, central, and southern India. This distinction, as evident in several medieval examples in Gujarat as well as in Rajasthan, is also noticeable in the case of the Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā which, in terms of configuration and characteristic visual appearance, reflect the same type of manifestation. The aspects and features associated with the medieval western Indian Jaina buildings may next be considered, to begin particularly in relation to the typical instances and to notice how far the Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā correspond with, or conform to the conventionally fixed pattern.

(1) Floor plans

Out of the five Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā, the earliest three—those of Jina Śānti (Rṣabha), Mahāvīra, and Pārśva—are of the 'Caturviṁśati-Jinālaya' class, the fourth, that of Jina Neminātha has, excepting for its two large bhadraprāsādas, the surround of linked devakulikās without the usual partitioning cell-walls within and it is only from the number of śikharas, several built in recent decades, seen from outside that the figure of the intended sub-shrines is inferable. The sixth or the Śiva temple follows the standard plan known of a Brahmanical sacred building of relatively smaller size in medieval Gujarat, which comprises the prāsāda linked with a semi-open raṅgamaṇḍapa as met with at the Munibāvā temple at Thān (c. A.D. 975), the Khimel-mātā temple at Dhiṇoj (c. A.D. 1027-30), the Śiva temple at Saṇḍer and the main shrine of the pañcāyatana temple at Gavāḍā, both of the second quarter of the 11th century, the Nīlakaṇṭha-Mahādeva temple at Suṇak (c. A.D. 1075)—all

situated in north Gujarat—and the Nīlakantha temple at Miyānī (A.D. 1204) in Saurāṣṭra, to name a few buildings as typical examples.¹

The structural adjuncts figuring as the Jaina building's major architectural components are first a 'jagatī' on which the whole articulated complex stands. The complex's main focus is the 'mūlaprāsāda' or shrine proper/main sanctuary joined, at its front, through the kapilī or pair of buffer walls, with a gūdhamaṇḍapa (closed hall) which is next followed by a 'mukhamaṇḍapa', more precisely known as 'trika' (three-bayed open colonnaded forehall) or 'ṣaṭcatuṣkya' (similar to trika but doubled and thus six-bayed forehall with two rows, fore and rear, of four columns each). It is in turn connected with a raṅgamaṇḍapa or a large 12-pillared open hall. The trika or ṣaṭcatuṣkya then functions as a 'raised on' moulded podium and appears as wall-less vestibular antechamber interposing between the closed hall and the open columnar raṅgamaṇḍapa hall. All these components are present here in Kumbhāriyā in the first four temples, the fifth one (originally dedicated to Śāntinātha), which is now known as of Sambhavanātha, is without the trika/ṣaṭcatuṣkya adjunct.

The raṅgamaṇḍapa, together with the mukhamaṇḍapa-antechamber, is surrounded by a paṭṭaśālā-cloister having either two (sopāna-dvaya) or three continuous steps (sopāna-traya) all around; to this is organically articulated an entourage of the 24 (or more number of) devakulikā-subshrines² meant to contain the corresponding number of Jina images. The paṭṭaśālā coïncidentally thus becomes a circumambulatory path and hence also known as 'bhramantikā' ('bhamatī' in Gujarātī as well as in Rājasthānī) in view of that particular functional feature of this adjunct. The three flanks of the raṅga-maṇḍapa are connected with the paṭṭaśālā by carved ceilings. The temples dedicated to Jina Mahāvīra, Śāntinātha (originally Rṣabhanātha), and Pārśvanātha, are of the 24-Jinālayas type. Neminātha temple, too, has a cloistered devakulikā-surround, but the Sambhavanātha is devoid of it.

(2) Jagatī

The large rectangular, usually solid socle or platform—jagatī—on which the temple complex stands may have projecting offsets punctuated with figure-bearing niches, and a moulded and at times also sparingly decorated elevation, or may be just without these features and, as a result, looking plain, monotonous, and bland. It is this second type, less expensive and facilely constructed, which is encountered in all of the Kumbhāriyā temples.

(3) Mūlaprāsāda

Prāsāda or shrine is called 'mūlaprāsāda' or 'principal shrine' by virtue of its being the sanctuary proper in relation to the surrounding devakulikas or subsidiary shrines. The main cella, moreover, enshrines the 'mūlanāyaka' or the cult image of the Jina which is also called the 'adhināyaka'—'Image Superior' or 'Principal Image'—in relation to the images of other Jinas enshrined in the smaller or subsidiary shrines within the complex. In plan and elevation the mulaprasada in no way differs from the Brahmanical building from the standpoint of architectural elevation. It is the associated iconographical program which sets it apart from a Brahmanical sacred edifice. For instance, the narapītha-belt in the base mouldings may show the narrative portrayal of the 'pañcakalyānakas', the five auspicious events in the life of a Jina, in lieu of the Brahmanical puranic and related episodes. Also, the faces of the kumbha moulding of the vedibandha, when it displays miniature niches containing figural carving (in lieu of the usual half diamond and/or half lotus ubiquitously seen on a Maru-Gurjara temple), shows the seated images of Vidyadevis, Yaksis, Sarasvati, and at times a few other Jaina divinities of the Yakṣa category like Brahmaśānti and Gomukha. While the karṇas (anglebuttresses) carry framed images of the Dikpālas as is the case with the Brahmanical temples, the neighbouring pratirathas show Yaksīs, Vidyādevīs etc., in lieu of the surasundarī figures invariably met with on the flanking buttresses of the Brahmanical temples. Moreover, the bhadra-niches at the cardinals of the sanctuary walls shelter seated (sometimes standing) Jina figures in lieu of the Brahmanical divinities.3 This is also true of the bhadra-rathikas (framed niches) applied/inserted at cardinal points of the lower end of the sikhara where either Jina images or, more frequently indeed the attendant Jaina divinity figures-Yakşīs, Vidyādevīs etcetera—are shown. In Kumbhāriyā, only the Neminātha temple has a fully moulded and decorated base and wall for its prāsāda. However, while the śikharas of all other Jaina temples here show the jala or the so-called 'beehive pattern', the Neminātha temple has a lately done śikhara which is devoid of it. All the śikharas here are of the Anekāndaka or Śekharī (multi-turreted) class, the Latina (monospired) type went out of vogue after early 11th century.

(4) Gūḍhamaṇḍapa

The closed hall, conjoined with the prāsāda with the help of the 'kapilī' or connecting vestibular pair of parallel walls, is the immediate adjunct within which the devotees

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stand before the garbhagrha/sanctum for offering worship. In the Maru-Gurjara style it is usually built 1/7th or 1/8th part broader than the prāsāda. And its walls, too, are somewhat less thick than those of the prāsāda. As a result, more space is available within. The elevation of the exterior, in terms of mouldings and decoration, usually follows the pattern of the prāsāda even when the rathas tend to be a little broader than those of the prāsāda. The bhadras, however, may not always have khattaka-niches: Instead, there would be, at each of the two lateral opposite sides, a bhadrāvalokana or window, with or without a perforated screen. However, there can be open-pillared porches in lieu of the bhadravalokanas. The roof of the hall, too, is differently treated in that it is never of the 'śikhara' class but usually of 'samvaraṇā' (stepped bell roof) (or rarely 'phamsana' or tiered pyramidal) class. If the gudhamandapa is fairly large, then there is scope for introducing columns at the nave. Otherwise, the wall-pilasters would suffice for supporting the central karotaka-ceiling which usually is of the Nābhicchanda category. In the context of the Kumbhāriyā temples, like its prāsāda, it would be logical to expect to see a fully decorated external wall in the case of the Neminātha temple. As it happened, in later times, the portion above its lower-most mouldings was all newly done. The interior, as its consequence, is disappointingly unoriginal.

(5) Mukhamandapa

The main door, usually fully carved, of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa opens into the trika or mukhamaṇḍapa—an open, columnar, short, vestibular hall standing on a stereobate having on the floor three connected quadrants in a row. It can be doubled to form a 'ṣaṭcatuṣkya' (or even tripled, rarely though, resulting in a 'navacatuṣkya'). Excepting the Neminātha temple, which has a ṣaṭcatuṣkya, the remaining three possess the trika class of mukhamaṇḍapa. The front wall of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa (which falls into the trika) shows no ratha-divisions but is kept straight and plain except for the wall-pilasters figuring as responds to the trika-columns, and the space between the pilasters is occupied by a large khattaka-niche, one each flanking the doorway of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa. All of its pillars in the trika may be fully decorated, or some partially, or, as in a few cases, all may be sparingly decorated. Only the Neminātha temple shows all of its mukhamaṇḍapa columns fully adorned. The ceilings in the trika happen to be among the choicest which the designing architect could conceive and the builder could afford. In Kumbhāriyā, the Mahāvīra and the Śāntinātha (originally dedicated to Ŗṣabhadeva) temple possess fine trika-ceilings,

the Neminātha has somewhat second rate examples, those of Pārśvanātha had been replaced by plain slabs and there is no question for Sambhavanātha which is not provided with the mukhamandapa.

(6) Raṅgamaṇḍapa

On stepping down from the mukhamaṇḍapa one enters into the next adjunct, the raṅgamaṇḍapa, having a central square nave defined by 12 peripheral pillars. The four pairs of columns at the bhadra-cardinals form an octagon which support a ceiling of the Sabhā-mandāraka or the Sabhā-padma-mandāraka order, with a sequence of receding gajatālu and kola courses leading to a central pendant, usually gorgeous and of considerable intricacy and beauty. The pillars usually are profusely decorated, though in the Kumbhāriyā context only the Neminātha temple fully answers to that observation. The lintels, too, as a rule are sumptuously carved with creeper designs, figure-panels, etc. The raṅgamaṇḍapa lends amplitude, dignity, and magnificence to the interior.

(7) Paţţaśālā/bhramantikā and devakulikās

The cloistered lobby surrounding the mukhamandapa and the rangamandapa, in case of the 'Caturvimsati-Jinalaya', or the complete circuit around the prasada, the gūdhamandapa, and the back side in case of the 'bāvanna-Jinālaya' (having 52 sub-shrines), discharges a double function, an enclosure that shields the interior from outside viewing as also acts as a graceful girdle around the internal components. The pattaśālā-cloister may be of a single, as in Kumbhāriyā temples, or a doubled file of columns, fore and rear, as in Delvādā temples (Mt. Abu). It usually shows a marvellous array of ceilings, each differing in pattern from the other. It was, doubtless, in the Jaina temples that the medieval Indian temple ceilings attained fuller development in terms of design, varieties, and their many possible manipulations. What is seen today in extant temples and in the reused temple material in the early mosques in Gujarat is indeed the smallest remainder of the very vast number of minor ceilings which once graced at least fifty large Jaina temple complexes in medieval Gujarat. The Kumbhāriyā temples are disappointing in that, alone of the four temples, the Pārśvanātha shows well-patterned ceilings in the pattaśālā, and that too restricted to its left wing. The pillars of the pattaśālā are, by way of convention, of the plain Miśraka variety.

The devakulikās usually have sparingly decorated, hence unassuming doorframes, the exception being those of the two bhadra-prāsādas of the Pārśvanātha temple. The effect of the devakulikā-surround, from outside, helps direct the attention to the mūlaprāsāda which has a centrality and a larger and taller śikhara, a dominant feature in the elevational appearance of the whole complex.

The rangamandapa is organically united with the pattaśālā cloister which surrounds it on three sides with the help of connecting ceilings. The ceilings are all of the Samatala class in the Kumbhāriyā temples but could be of other categories as evidenced by Delvāḍā instances. Their inclusion invests the Jaina temple with the completeness and contributes to the singularity of the celestial appearance of its interior, a stunning feeling experienced of course much more strongly in the Delvāḍā examples than in the Kumbhāriyā instances.

(8) Mukhacatuşkî, Mukhamandapa, Balānaka

The entry-point to the complex is provided with a mukhacatuṣkī or four pillared porch, or a larger structure, an entry-hall which, when possessing an upper floor, becomes a portal with a balānaka. In the latter case, a 'nāla' or stairway-channel leads to the top of the jagatī and inside an aisle that lies before the raṅga-maṇḍapa. In Kumbhāriyā, we encounter all these types, the Śāntinātha temple is provided with a mukhacatuṣkī-porch, the Mahāvīra temple with a mukhamaṇḍapa, and Pārśvanātha as well as the Neminātha temple with a balānaka.

The concept of Caturvimśati-Jinālaya apparently is in evidence since mid ninth century, as inferable from the indications present within the Jaina temple in Varamān. The earliest literary reference is in a medieval notice concerning Yaśobhadra sūri of Purṇatalla-gaccha who, when he was a royal prince before initiation to the order of friars, had built a Caturvimśati-Jinālaya in Deṇḍuānaka (Diṇḍuāṇā) in Rajasthan, some time in the latter half of the tenth century.

Because of the northerly orientation, the interiors in these Kumbhāriyā buildings languish for light. One other deficiency noticeable here in the design is in the expedient, thanks to which the trika is connected with the paṭṭaśālā by ceilings which further cuts off light. To add to that is another fault, indeed unlike Delvāḍā temples, of not leaving here the northern end of the lateral aisles between the central core space and paṭṭaśālā free of ceilings and hence closing it up. That renders the

interior's farther end sombre. And yet the interiors here do possess a charming look of well-finished constructions exuding elegance and peace.4

Annotations

- 1. The hall, in each case here, is provided with a short walling formed by rājasenaka (a basal moulding), vedikā (a sort of dado) and āsanapaṭṭaka (seat-slab with carved fronton). This walling usually supports a kakṣāsana (back-rest, seat-back) above the āsanapaṭṭaka.
- 2. It apparently began with the largely mythological concept of the 24 Jinas of the present megacycle of time. This configuration for the Jinas (and hence corresponding sub-shrines) was extended further in several ways. By adding 20 Jinas of the mythical Mahāvideha-kṣetra and 4 'Eternal Jinas' of the Nandīśvara-dvīpa, the figure came to 48. To this must be added one in the principal sanctuary, two in the mukhamaṇḍapa-khattakas, and one in the central devakulikā in the back row. This completes the rectangle for the 'bāvanna' or 52 Jinālayas. The number of devakulikās can be more, for instance 72, when the 24 Jinas of the present, past, and future megacycles of time are computed in the summation. In larger caturmukha or four-faced sanctuary, the number of devakulikās can be increased to 84 or even 108. The Kumbhāriyā temples have a truncated look, an appearance of incompleteness, because of the presence in their instances, of only 24 subshrines, and all located in the forepart of the complex. As a result, the remaining peripheral part not covered by the devakulikās had to be enclosed by a 'koṭa' or 'prākāra' wall with lateral entry-porches inserted at east and west in the case of the Mahāvīra, the Śāntinātha, and the Neminātha temples: the Pārśvanātha, the extreme eastern building, does not have an eastern side-porch.
- 3. In easterly oriented Śaiva temples, one usually meets with Andhakavadha (S), Naţeśa (W), and Cāmuṇḍā (N) or, alternatively, the Tripuruṣa—Viṣṇu (S), Śiva (W), and Brahmā (N) in the case of an east-facing prāsāda's principal or cardinal niches. In Vaiṣṇava temples are met with Nṛṣiriha (S), Nārāyaṇa or Viṣṇu (W), and Varāha (N). In Sūrya temple, Sūrya occupies the west niche. In Devī temples, different forms of Caṇḍikā/Durgā, Kṣemaṅkarī etc., came to occupy the cardinal niches.
- 4. The Jaina temple complex and its components have been discussed by the first author of this monograph in considerable detail quoting actual examples, passages from the vāstuśāstras and other literature including the cultural data contained in the texts in old Gujarātī, in a long paper "The Western Indian Jaina Temple," Aspects of Jaina Art and Architecture, (Eds. U.P. Shah and M.A. Dhaky), Ahmedabad 1975, pp. 319-384, and connected Plates 1-25.

CHAPTER 5

Description of Temples

The Ādinātha Temple (Phase I)

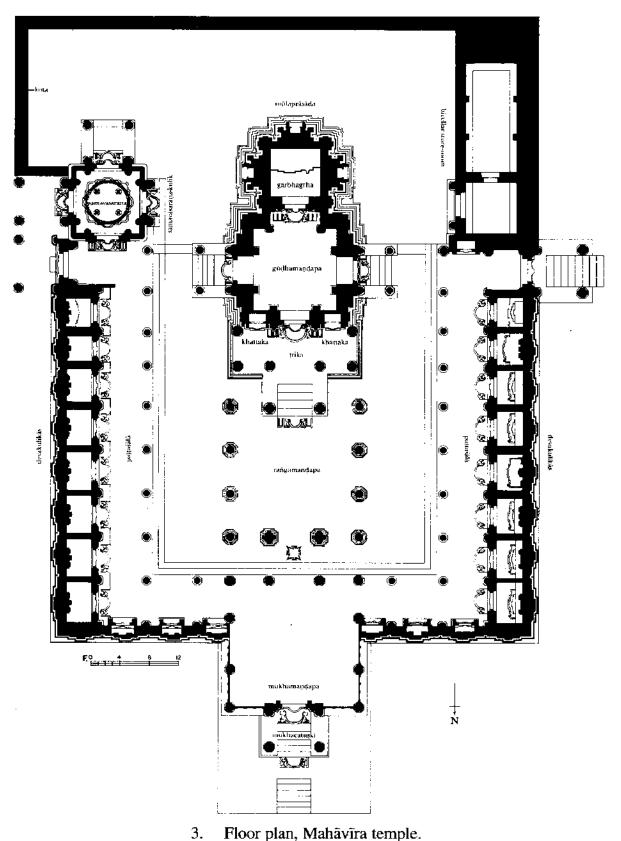
The original temple to Jina Rṣabha/Ādinātha probably was founded in or before A.D. 1031 as the evidence of the image-pedestal inscription (here Chapter 7, No. 1), now in the Śāntinātha temple, inferentially indicates but, to all seeming, was completely rebuilt in c. A.D. 1082. Later, apparently during the 17th century reconsecration period, or perhaps a little earlier (because no new cult image in the sanctuary was installed in A.D. 1619 as was in other three temples), it was believed to have been dedicated to Jina Śāntinātha since an image of that Jina dated in S.13+4 (Insc. 48), plausibly brought from the Mahāvīra temple complex, was installed in the main sanctuary. A late medieval source, the 'caityaparipātī' or pilgrimage-litany of poet Meha (c. mid 15th cent. A.D.), refers to the temples built by Vimala—a dandanāyaka of the Solanki monarch Bhimadeva stationed at the Paramära vassal Dhandhuka's capital Candrāvatī—at Ārāsana and on Mt. Arbuda (Mt. Ābu). Pandita Meha, in his 'Rāṇigapura-caityaparipāṭī-stavana' (c. mid 15th cent. A.D.), refers to the temple of Jina Rṣabha at Arāsaṇa. The association of specific attendant divinities related to Jina Rsabha with the architectural components of the c. A.D. 1082 interior of today's Santinatha temple, and on the basis of at least two specific pedestal inscriptions there—one of A.D. 1092 (No. 45) and the other attributable to the same date (No. 46) inside two sub-shrines—not only can it be ascertained that the renovators in late 11th century knew that the temple was sacred to Jina Rsabha, but also they may have preserved an oral or written tradition which late medieval writers used when they averred that the said temple was built by mantrī (i.e. daņdanāyaka) Vimala. A 'caityaparipātī' in Prakrit by Jinacandra sūri III of Kharatara-gaccha (c. late 13th century), earlier alluded, mentions Jina Rsabha's temple along with four other temples dedicated to four other Jinas, namely Mahāvīra, Pārśvanātha, Neminātha, and Śāntinātha, the last-noted temple is now sacred to Sambhavanātha. The allusion in Jinacandra's psalm to the temple of Śāntinātha is in essence to this temple. Paṇḍita Meha, too, again as noted in Chapter 1, refers to the above-noted five temples.

The two image-pedestal inscriptions, both of A.D. 1054 (Nos. 2 & 3) and again encountered in the Śāntinātha temple but originally must have been in the disappeared Rsabha temple (Phase I) on the same spot, had supported the images, in order, of the third tīrthankara Sambhavanātha and the fourth Jina Abhinandana. It is likely that the Phase I Adinatha temple was also intended, even planned to be a 'caturvimsati Jinālaya', the two surviving pedestals under reference originally may have been, with their lost images, set up in the devakulikas or sub-shrines connected with the earlier temple of Jina Rsabha. The doorframe of the garbhagrha of the Śāntinātha Jinālaya's main shrine (sanctum sanctorum), which stylistically is of early 11th century (Plates 9-13), apparently had belonged to this Ādinātha Phase I foundation and reused. There are, moreover, a couple of kāyotsarga Jina images stacked in the storeroom of the Santinatha temple (Plate 218), which perhaps, were stationed on the jangha of the wall, either of the sanctuary or the closed hall of the original temple. (More will be said on the aforenoted doorframe of the lost temple of Jina Rsabha while dwelling on the so-called temple of Santinatha and once again while describing the relevant illustrations in Chapter 8.)

The Mahāvīra Temple

Though not the earliest to be founded—it is the second in the chronological sequence—it happens to be the oldest extant building at the site. The temple complex (Plate 1) stands on a featureless jagatī-platform supporting a mūlaprāsāda or the main shrine, the gūḍhamaṇḍapa (closed hall), the 'trika' type of mukhamaṇḍapa (open colonnaded three-bayed antechamber or vestibule) followed by the rangamaṇḍapa (hall for theatrical purposes) with a surround of a bhramantikā for perambulation in the form of a paṭṭaśālā-cloister along with 16 conjoined devakulikās (subsidiary shrines), eight each at east and west, and six—three to the right and three to left of the entry-passage—large khattaka-niches (as an apology for the devakulikās) at north side. All of these are articulated with the cloister. The principal ingress was from north through a screened mukhamaṇḍapa or entry-hall (Fig. 3; Plate 1). Two lateral entrances, one at east and the other at west (the point where in each case the paṭṭaśālā ends) and coäxial with the corresponding porches of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, were also provided (Fig. 3).

The mulaprasada or main shrine is about 16 ft. 9 in. in width and is tri-anga or having three main projecting divisions on plan, namely karna (angle), pratiratha (neighbouring 'ratha' offset), and bhadra or madhya-ratha as central offset (Fig. 3;



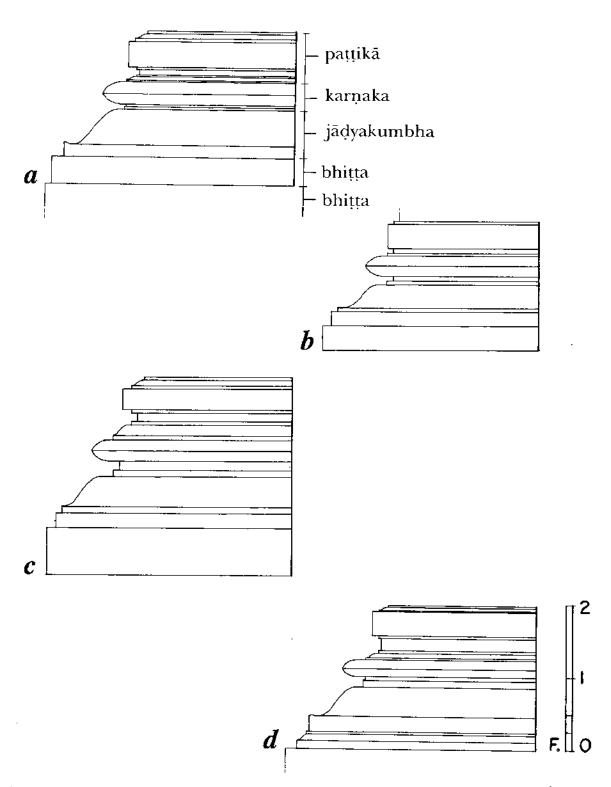
Floor plan, Mahāvīra temple.

Plates 15, 20) with salilāntara-recesses between. The pratiratha is narrow as is the case with the Ambikā temple at Jagat (c. A.D. 961), the Viṣṇu temple of the late tenth century in the gorge near the Ekalingjī group, and a small Śiva temple of the same date within the Ekalingjī ensemble: the three buildings under reference are situated in Medapāṭa or Mevāḍ region in Rajasthan. In northern Gujarat, the Latina shrine of today's Jina Sambhavanātha at Tārangā (c. early 11th century) has anga-divisions somewhat similarly proportioned but is earlier than the Kumbhāriyā building, possibly by three decades or a little more.

The mulaprasada has a short, moulded, but very sparingly ornamented pitha or base (Fig. 4a; Plate 20) with ardharatna flanked by half thakaras (notional dormers) applied on the otherwise plain jādyakumbha (inverted cyma recta/doucine) moulding only at the three bhadras, the karnaka (arris) is somewhat thicker than what is noticeable in that age (Fig. 4a), an echo of the convention followed a few decades ago. The vedibandha, on its kumbha-faces, does not bear the figures of Yaksīs and Vidyādevīs; instead are seen ardharatnas as in several late Mahā-Gurjara in lower Rajasthan and early Maru-Gurjara temples in Gujarat, without in our instance the enrichment of the carved detail. The janghä-rathas as well as the recesses between the rathas are barren of images (Plates 15, 20). In their lieu, there is a medial band of grāsas or grāsapattī, the regular grāsapattī, as per the standardized convention of the Maru-Gurjara style, occurs at the upper end of the janghā section. The bhadras show projecting deep khattaka-niches, their lateral sides formed by screens as in some Rajasthan temples, such as for example at the Siva temple (c. early 11th cent.) on the hillock at Cohtan (or Cottan). The Jina images that occupied these niches are no more, though their parikaras (frames) survive, those in the east and south niches seem original, that in the west, going by its style, a 12th century substitution.

The śikhara (Plate 14) consists of 21 aṇḍakas and four (bifacial) tilakas showing panelled diamonds in lieu of figures (Plates 15, 17), and may be identified with the type Nandīśa of the series 'Kesaryādi prāsādas' of the medieval western Indian vāstuśāstras. Its tri-sectioned bhadra-rathikās show Jinatrayas—a central seated Jina figure with a flanking pair of standing Jinas—at south and west; at east, however, the niche-complex is vacant. The śikhara shows the typical 11th century jāla-web (Plates 15-18). A finely detailed makara-praṇāla is inserted above the pīṭha in the eastern wall of the prāsāda (Plate 21).

The form of the base together with the wall pattern of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa generally follows that of the prāsāda; but the divisions here are broader. The



4. Elevations of the pīṭhas: a. Mahāvīra temple, mūlaprāsāda; b. Śāntinātha (originally Ädinātha) temple, mūlaprāsāda; c. Pārśvanātha temple, mūlaprāsāda; d. Sambhavanātha (originally Śāntinātha) temple, mūlaprāsāda.

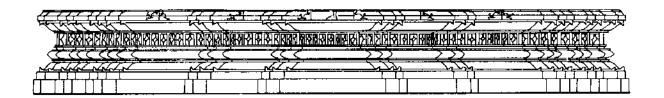
gūdhamandapa is roofed by a samvaranā (Plate 19). The hall's side openings at east and west are provided with pārśva-catuṣkīs or lateral pillared porticos in alignment with the corresponding exterior openings in the kota-wall just adjacent to the end of the pattaśālā. The stone-slab coverings, very lately introduced between these two coaxial openings, partially masked the rathikas of the hall-porches which shelter Jina figures. Inside the closed hall, beyond the antarāla, the garbhagrha-doorframe shows three śākhās or three jambs of which only one, the innermost, shows decoration, of a surging creeper of little artistic pretension. The stambhaśākhā of the broad Bhadraka order is without the usual 'rūpa' or figural carving in panels. At the pedyā or lower end are large standing Jina figures in lieu of door-guardians, an unusual feature. At the uttaranga's or door-lintel's face are placed three figures, a Jina in the centre and one each at the two extremities. Such an arrangement involving three figures of deities is noticeable not only in Medapāta but also in a few instances in Jejākabhukti (Khajurāho) and Dāhala or Cedideśa in case of less adorned doorframes of minor shrines, be they Jaina or Brahmanical. Inside the garbhagrha, the cult image of Jina Mahāvīra, as per its inscription, was consecrated in A.D. 1619, the original, at some point of time, is gone. But the pedestal as well as the gorgeous parikara-frame are doubtless old and original. The pedestal-inscription (here No. 4), in small part, is effaced and hence fragmentary; it is dated to S.1118/A.D. 1062. Against the cella's corners of east and west wall, are placed seated marble images of Sarvānubhūti and Ambikā (Plates 226, 227) which stylistically are of the same date as of the parikara and other early sculptures of c. A.D. 1062 within this temple, though it cannot be said with certainty that these originally placed inside the garbhagrha.

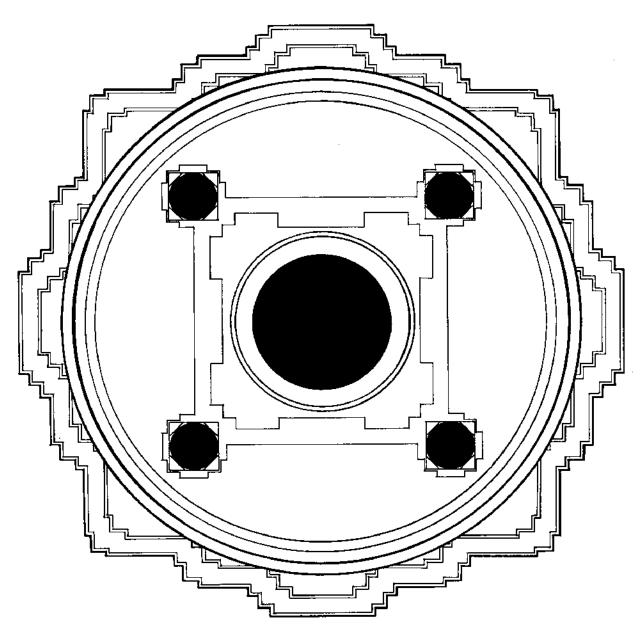
The south wall inside the closed hall shelters one kāyotsarga Jina each on either side of the antarāla opening (Plate 219). They are dated, as the original image in the sanctum was, to A.D. 1062, but the rest of the inscriptions' text, in both instances, could not be read since largely obliterated, the effacement being the result of the daily ritual involving application of sandalwood paste, saffron etc., followed by lustral bath and subsequent rubbing with metal wire for cleaning; hence their texts do not figure here in Chapter 7, Inscriptions. The octagon formed by plain wall-pilasters of the hall supports a Sabhāmārga ceiling of the Nābhicchanda pattern; the vitāna being small, the grāsapaṭṭi discharges the function of a rūpakaṇṭha which bears eight brackets, its overall workmanship, however, has nothing special to comment upon or commend (Plate 22).

The north wall of the closed hall with its doorway opening, by way of its articulation and details, also may be looked upon as a part shared by the trika which is attached to it. The doorframe here is catuḥśākhā (Plate 23), comprising valli, rūpa-stambha-, and rūpa-śākhā. The compartmented door-lintel, in the countersunk panel adjoining the central panel, shows Harinegameṣa carrying the baby Jina Vardhamāna Mahāvīra (Plate 24) who, in the Śvetāmbara sect's biographical account of the Jina, transferred the embryo from the womb of the brahmin lady Devānandā to that of the kṣatriyāṇī Triśālā. In the central panel in the lap of a seated figure on a lion throne, sits a child, now headless, in padmāsana posture who apparently is Vardhamāna, the central figure accompanied by an umbrella-holding figure to its right has been suggested as the Jina's mother Triśālā. In the corresponding panel opposite to Negameṣa's is a Yakṣa holding a vajraghaṇṭā but cannot be identified with certainty. At the extremities as well as in the projecting panels between are seated figures of Vidyādevīs just as are in the four superimposed panels on each stambhaśākhā. At the lalātabimba is shown a small figure, probably of a Yakṣa.

The doorframe is flanked by two narrow but handsome wall-pilasters which display three superimposed panels containing, unusually, the dancing dwarfs, perhaps the pramatha or gandharva figures (Plate 23). To the right and left flank of each of this wall-pilaster occurs a large shallow khattaka-niche (Plates 28, 29), each one now empty.

The trika in which the gūḍhamaṇḍapa's aforenoted main or northern doorway opens, is supported by a pīṭha-base constituted, in the order of superposition, by a bhiṭṭa, jāḍyakumbha, karṇaka, antarapaṭṭa, chajjikā and grāsapaṭṭī, all polished (Plate 25). The four pillars that stand on this stereobate are relatively plain composite-polygonal with the upper round section carrying a figural belt, a maṇibandha (jewel band), and a grāsapaṭṭī. In the two lateral bays, pillars between their upper section carry an illikā-toraṇa (Plates 28, 29) which, along with those surviving in the raṅgamaṇḍapa (c. A.D. 1075) of the Sun temple in Moḍherā, are the earliest extant examples of that class in Gujarat. The trika has a porch or projecting mukhacatuṣkī containing three steps. Its two frontal and profusely carved pillars also function as the rear pillars of the raṅgamaṇḍapa (Plate 30). The profile of the stylobate which supports them, however, has bhiṭṭa (plinth), rājasena, vedikā (dado), and āsanapaṭṭa (seat) mouldings characteristic of the semi-open raṅgamaṇḍapa type of hall, in lieu of those normally met of a pīṭha. The vedikā, on either side, displays two niches placed at an interval between the decorated uprights: Those at the east





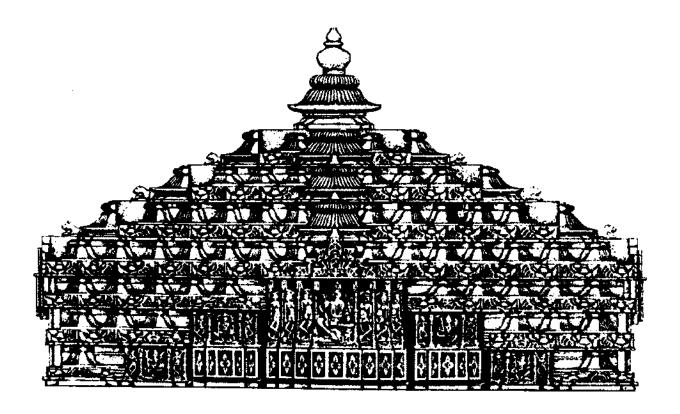
5. Plan and elevation of the pīṭha, Samavasaraṇa, Four-doored devakulikā, Mahāvīra temple. (Not to the scale.) [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]

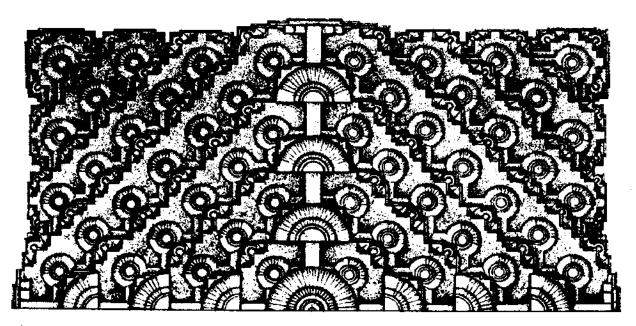
side show Cakreśvarī and Nirvāṇī (Plate 27) and at the west flank Ambikā and Sarasvatī (Plate 26). The pair of what normally would have been guardian figures along with their niches at the fronts of the stairway-banisters of the porch, have been replaced by plain marble slabs during the renovations effected early this century or soon after. The mukhacatuṣkī above its stairway supports a very fine vitāna or ceiling which is structurally of the 'kṣiptotkṣipta' order and decoratively of the Padmanābha class (Plates 31, 32), the one equally elegant behind it in the trika is of the complex 'utkṣipta' specification (Plates 35, 36). The lintels supporting these two ceilings show on their lower facia the creeper design, their tantraka or the upper facia displays what the śilpīs of Gujarat call 'pāl ghāṭa', a double volute design. The vitānas in the bays flanking the one that carries the Padmanābha type are of the identical 'Mandāraka' class (Plates 33, 34); those that flank the central utkṣipta type above the trika's central bay noted above are both of the identical Nābhicchanda class (Plate 37).

The trika's steps going downward lead to the colonnaded rangamandapa-hall (Plates 38-41) which is slightly rectangular along the north-south axis. Of the 12 pillars of the nave, all polished, ten are of the Miśraka or composite-polygonal type with one singular feature in that the pair of the central pillars, north side, has dancing and music-making gandharvas set in the square jangha of the shaft (Plate 43) and above it, moreover, occurs an octagonal figural belt (Plate 44) not introduced in the set of pillars at the eastern and western sides. The entire shaft in turn, and in each case, rests over the kumbhikā-base, further having a short pītha below for lending height to the pillar. The upper end of the shaft shows a round section carrying a figural belt followed by a taller chain-and-belt carrying small lumbikās or corbels at cardinal points; and finally comes the grāsa-kinkaņikā belt. The pillars along the eastern and western row forming the square nave do not show figures at the janghā facets nor, as stated in the foregoing, the octagonal figural belt above it. They are thus having plain facets in the lower and middle section, the upper end displays a belt of gandharvas or vidyādharas in file (Plate 41) and rest of the parts above are similar to those of the aforenoted two pillars. There were the 'andola' or undulant form of (what the Dravidian vāstuśāstras identify as) Citra-toranas inserted between the nave's bhadra-pillars in all four directions: only the one at the eastern side survives (Plate 42).

Each of the lintels supported by the nave's pillars displays a full-blown lotus in the centre of its soffit: one of these shows a touch of strength combined with liveliness (Plate 45). The lower facia of the lintels forming the central octagon is ornamented with looped vine design with inclosed birds, the tantraka above shows plain ratnas, diamonds. At joining points, where lintels meet, the sandhipālas are concealed by panelled blocks sheltering Vidyādevīs/Yakṣī figures. Since the hall is slightly rectangular, the central circular Sabhāmandāraka vitāna leaves out crescent-shaped soffit-area at the northern and southern end, each of which is filled with nicely executed arabesque design (Plates 46, 47). In the elevation of the vitāna, also metaphorically termed 'karotaka' or (inverted) bowl, which is about 16 ft. 9 in. in diameter, there is first a grasapatti or a file with large projecting grasa-heads, indeed in fairly high relief than is usually met with in this situation; next comes the karnadardarikā followed by a rūpakantha bearing 16 brackets for supporting the Vidyādevī figures which, however, have disappeared. While 14 of these brackets are of the usual vidyādhara type showing at their faces well-rendered vidyādhara (and even gandharva) figures in the period-style (Plates 53, 54), the pair at the southern bhadra shows confronting figures of Negamesa, an unusual feature, the presence of which will shortly be explained. The intervals between the brackets are at most places filled by three discretely placed niches bearing divinity figures, the exception being the north and south sides where, depicted in each instance, is the seated figure of Gajānta-Laksmī or Abhiseka-Laksmī. Next comes a single gajatālu course followed by a minor ratnapatti, then is a course showing large kolas in series followed by three consecutive and receding but unique three-layered kola courses where the first two recessed and stepped in layers are trilobed, the last one is having a single lobe. While the kolas of the first belt have cippi-borders showing petal-carving, and their vajraśrnga or the accented junction area—where two semicircular kola-coffers meet-is filled with grasamukhas (Plates 53-55), the multiple stratified kolas in the next two successive strata mentioned in the foregoing are, however, devoid of this decoration (Plates 50, 51). And finally a huge central lambana-pendant consisting of four succeeding and progressively diminishing kola-layers terminating in a long padmakesara or staminal tube (Plates 49, 50, 52). This vitana, though not large compared to several other medieval examples known from Gujarat and Rajasthan, creates an impression of vastness and depth. It is, perhaps, the earliest surviving karotaka class of vitānas of the Sabhāmandāraka specification in all western India.

The four triangles left out at four corners of the nave's rectangle by the formation of the central circular vitāna are filled by large grāsamukhas framed within





6. Plan and elevation, samvaraṇā of the Samavasaraṇa devakulikā, Mahāvīra temple. (Not to the scale.) [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]

the paṭṭīs ornamented by good quality fanciful creeper design (Plate 48). The nave being rectangular, one of the two lateral sides of the corner triangle is a little longer, the central area, which is filled with a large grāsa-head, is therefore unequally balanced by the lateral broad and short arabesque pieces, otherwise introduced for symmetry's sake (Plate 48). This deformity was unavoidable. At the bhadra-bay in the mukhālinda or aisle between the entry-opening in the paṭṭaśālā and the rangamaṇḍapa is carved, on the floor, a padmasarovara (?) symbol (Plate 75), a convention not noticeable elsewhere except in Kumbhāriyā where in an identical situation, one comes across another symbol instead, to be noticed further.

The devakulikās, eight in a row each, occur at the east and west; at the north there are large khattaka-niches instead, a file of three each to the right and left of the mukhamaṇḍapa's inner end. For making the complex a Caturvimśati-Jinālaya, the architect arguably had included in the computation the two khattaka-niches in the trika to complete the total of 24 sub-shrines. The devakulikās' dviśākhā doorframes (Plate 72) show unremarkable vallī- and ratnaśākhā.

The ceilings in the pattaśālā are of lantern type and, excepting for the presence of an unassuming central full-blown lotus, they practically are without the decorative detail. The pillars, arranged in a row, support the lintels bearing simple diamond decoration on the faces and all are of plain Miśraka class, indeed of little interest. Their attic members at several places deviate from the centre. The daṇḍacchādya-awning projects from the paṭṭaśālā at all three sides.

As an afterthought, but certainly soon after the rangamandapa and the devakulikas with the pattaśala were constructed, the open area between them at east and west was covered with carved Samatala ceilings depicting different subjects. (These ceilings render the already present dandacchadyas, in continuous series, of the pattaśala redundant.) Five out of the seven ceilings at the west side show narratives etc., (Plates 56-59, 62-64). Those at the east are predominantly of the box type (as are the two remaining [Plates 60, 61] on the west side) with inset figures and aesthetically are much superior from the standpoint of composition and execution (Plates 65-71). Apparently, the sculptors who executed these two classes of depiction may have come from separate groups specializing in one or the other mode of designing and rendering.

To the south of the eastern paṭṭaśālā and in close juxtaposition to the eastern porch is a four-doored devakulikā sheltering a Samavasaraṇa (Fig. 5) in yellow

marble, now damaged (Plate 73). Its fourth door opening at the east is, some decades ago, built up. A marble parikara-toraṇa, dated S.1213/A.D. 1157, believed to have been placed before the cult image in the garbhagṛha of the mūlaprāsāda, was some time in the past reërected at this situation (Plate 231). This devakulikā is roofed by a saṃvaraṇā (Fig. 6; Plate 74).

A bicellar vestry/storeroom built against the west wall, was possibly a utilitary adjunct in the originally contemplated plan (Fig. 3).

The last component of the complex is the mukhamandapa or entry-hall located at the north after the point where the paṭṭaśālā is bisected. Between this hall's peripheral pillars are inserted screens displaying geometric designs and auspicious symbols in boxes (Plate 76).

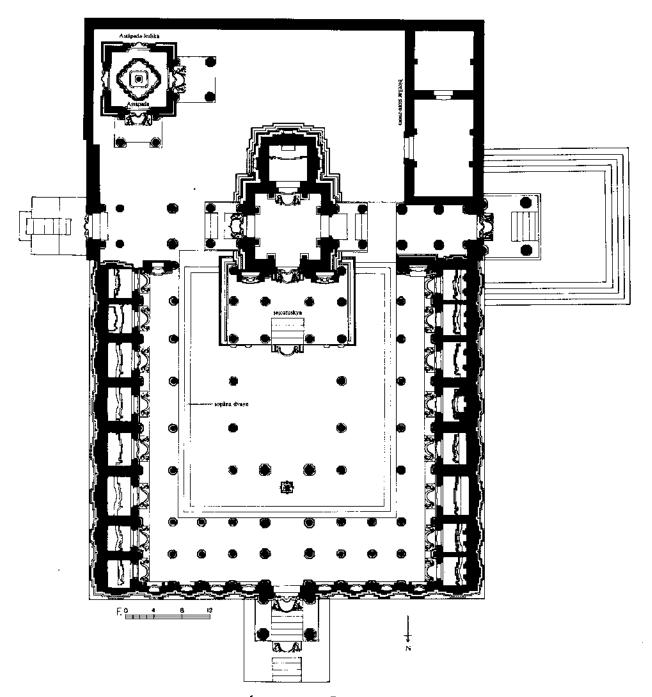
That the temple, from the beginning, was dedicated to Jina Mahāvīra is evident not only from the inscription on the old and original pedestal of the cult image (A.D. 1062) (No. 4) but also by another inscription which refers to the fane as 'Vīranātha-sya mandira' (A.D. 1091) (No. 16). The iconological evidence—Negameṣa with a child shown on the lintel of the closed hall as also the figures of the same deity on two brackets in the rūpakaṇṭha of the karoṭaka-ceiling of the raṅgamaṇḍapa at its southern bhadra, which arrowwise is in the direction of the main shrine, further support the aforenoted deduction regarding dedication.

The temple was built by the Fraternity since the inscription (No. 15) of A.D. 1091 calls it 'Sangha-caitya.'

The Śāntinātha Temple (Ādinātha Phase II)

The temple complex (Fig. 7; Plates 2, 3) stands on a featureless jagatī supporting the mūlaprāsāda (which is the smallest in the entire ensemble), next the gūḍhamaṇḍapa directly conjoined with the prāsāda sans the kapilī or buffer wall, then the ṣaṭcatuṣkī, the raṅgamaṇḍapa, the 24 devakulīkā-surround along with the paṭṭaśālā, and finally the main entry-porch at the north, also a side entry through the western porch, the corresponding opening at the east, though introduced, has otherwise no pillared portico and is usually kept closed (Fig. 7; Plate 3).

The tri-anga mūlaprāsāda, with meagrely differentiated bhadra, karņa, and pratiratha, is only 14 ft. in diameter, the short karņa-pīṭha has the usual set of unadorned mouldings (Fig. 4b). The maṇḍovara is largely plain except at the three



7. Floor plan, Śāntinātha (Ādinātha Phase II) temple.

bhadras which have shallow niches at the janghā, containing seated Jina figures, mostly retooled. The shapely śikhara above (Plates 77, 78) shows the jāla type with details plausibly of the late 11th century A.D. and, in terms of constitution, has 21 aṇḍakas. The three bhadra-rathikās in the lower section of the śikhara shelter Cakreśvarī (E), unidentified goddess (S), and Ambikā (W): this convention, unlike the one followed in the context of the Mahāvīra temple prāsāda, of introducing female divinity figures, is more in agreement with the usual medieval convention.

The dviśākhā doorframe of the garbhagṛha has a very thin ratnaśākhā, and a narrow patraśākhā with very finely carved and highly schematized climber (Plates 9-11): below it are graceful attendant figures of Gaṅgā and Yamunā rendered in the early 11th century style. Going by the genre of carving, the doorframe convincingly seems a surviving piece of the preceding Phase I temple. The inconsequential Nābhicchanda ceiling of the hall has three successive courses of karṇadardarikās next followed by two strata of kolas.

In the garbhagrha, the original image with its throne and the parikara-frame is gone. At some late point in time was introduced a pedestal bearing an inscription of S.13+4 which, however, purports to be the image of Pārśvanātha set up in the Mahāvīra caitya, contextually thus unrelated to this shrine. The present image, which is late, is said to be of Śāntinātha; hence, from some late date, this temple, originally dedicated to Jina Rṣabha, began to be called the one of Śāntinātha.

The Nābhicchanda ceiling of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa shows triple karṇadardarikā courses, each bearing an auxiliary maṇipaṭṭikā, and next are two kola courses. The roof of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa is of the Saṁvaraṇā class, but without the usual decorative details for its kapotapālikās and the bell members (Plate 79).

The gūḍhamaṇḍapa's main door opens in the ṣaṭcatuṣkī: It has triśākhā doorframe showing patra, narrow convex padma-, and broader patraśākhā. While it does not have the regular panelled uttaraṅga, a flat paṭṭa displaying aṣṭamaṅgalas perhaps was intended to serve that purpose. Large female figures with an attendant stand at the pedyā of the right and the left jambs.

The profile of the karṇapīṭha class of the base of the mukhamaṇḍapa (which is of the ṣaṭcatuṣkī type), has the polished mouldings (Plate 82) as in the Mahāvīra temple which, unlike that of the prāsāda and the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, has a short but carved grāsapaṭṭī in lieu of plain paṭṭikā; but the northern face of the ṣaṭcatuṣkī's stereobate has been treated as though it is a semi-open rangamaṇḍapa

where rājasena, vedīkā, and āsanapaṭṭa mouldings appear (Plates 85, 86). The vedikā-niches at the left of the stairway display perhaps Nirvāṇī and Brahmaśāntī Yakṣa at the right side of the spectator and Sarvānubhūti and Acchuptā on the left side. The front four pillars of this structure are fully carved in the standard Maru-Gurjara style (Plates 81-83), the details need not be dwelt upon except for the jaṅghā-niches at the shafts, which show Vidyādevīs, Sarasvatī, and related figures. Among the four rear pillars, only two belts in the uppermost circular area are carved; they show the grāsakīṅkaṇikā (Plate 84). The central two columns have two more decorative belts below the circular section. A pair of khattakas (Plate 80) flank the wall-pilasters which in turn flank the doorframe and are treated as though they are pañcaśākhā jambs, the rūpastambha with a pair of rūpaśākhās on either side (Plate 80).

The more important part of the satcatuskī is of course its six fully carved ceilings. The one figuring above the stairway is concentric and of the fine Mandāraka class (Plate 87), its four-kola prominent lambana with pointed or angular kolas anticipates the future increased usage of this 'geometricised kola' type of pendant, as will be in some of the paṭṭaśālā ceilings of the Vimala-vasahī temple at Delvāḍā, Mt. Ābu. The three out of the four corners left out by the central circular part are filled with the figures of Vidyādevīs—Vairoṭyā, Rohinī, Yakṣī Cakreśvarī and Sarasvatī—each attended by the flanking kinnara figures. The ceiling is supported by the lintels bearing creeper design on the lower facia and plain panelled diamonds on the tantraka above. The sur-lintel, at its profile, shows niches containing dancing goddesses.

The pair of the flanking identical ceilings is also of the Mandāraka class, though displaying smaller dvi-kola lambana with centrally hanging staminal (Plate 89). The vikarṇa-corners here are filled with the paired figures of confronting elephants. The space between the pairs of the elephants is filled by a pair or pairs of human figures playing instruments. The lower facia of the lintels of these two ceilings show a beautifully looped and highly finished creeper rendered in fairly high relief, where the loops carry the figures each of an elephant, a bird, a pair of gandharva figures (or just seated dampati-yugala/mithunas) etcetera.

The central ceiling of the rear row (Plate 88) is also of the Mandāraka type. Its four vikarņas are filled with four seated Dikpāla figures—Vaiśravaņa, Yama, Nirṛtti, and Agni. The space between the divinities is occupied by gandharvas playing musical instruments, some also shown in dancing postures.

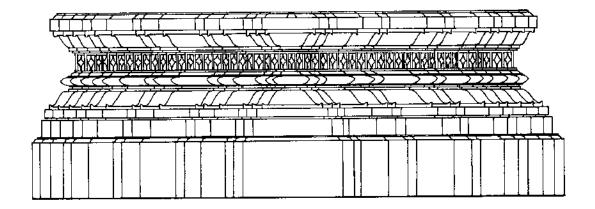
The pair of identical lateral ceilings (Plate 90) flanking the last-noted one are of the Nābhicchanda class with a central elegantly formed padmakesara showing delicately rendered double layered petals. Each of the four vikarņas, in this instance, are filled with a pair of kinnara figures. The lintels supporting these ceilings show looped birds in series, the tantraka displaying flat diamonds, the faces of the sur-lintel have ardhapadmas in hemicycles.

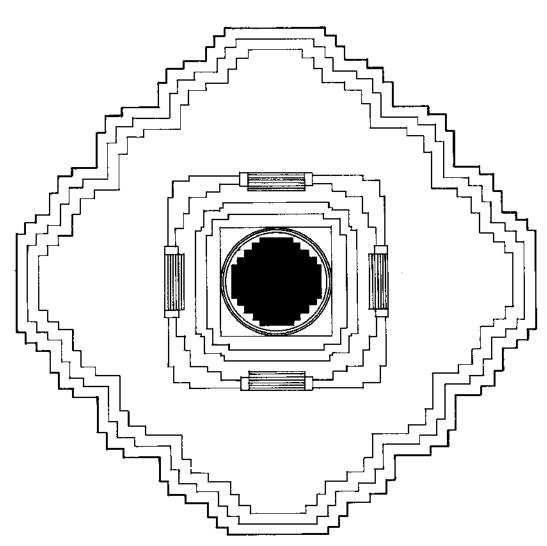
The raṅgamaṇḍapa (Plates 91, 92, 94) uses the two central columns of the ṣaṭcatuṣkī as its rear south bhadra columns. The pairs at the eastern and western bhadras are relatively plain polymorphic (Plate 92), those at the eastern bhadra carry an āndola-toraṇa (Plate 93), the front (north) bhadra pair of columns is more fully ornamented (Plate 94).

The śālā of the rangamandapa is even more rectangular along its north-south axis than is the case with the Mahāvīra temple parallel; hence the crescent-shaped soffits left out at those two ends, while constructing the central ceiling above, had to be filled with even larger and more prominently rendered ūrmivelā/kalpavallī (Plates 95, 98, 99, 100). The lintels supporting the central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling, of about 14 ft. 3 in. in diameter, show kalpavallī at the lower section and the tiresomely plain diamonds on the tantraka faces. The ceiling (Plates 96, 97, 101) starts with a belt bearing niched divinity figures followed by a karnadardarikā, next the rūpakantha with plain diamonds in series and at intervals bearing 16 vidyādhara-brackets (Plate 97), and then comes a single gajatālu course. Next in sequence are two consecutive courses of single kolas in series and closely following them are two of quadruple gajatālus. And finally, from the apexial area starts a prolonged three kolaja lambana (Plates 102-104) ending with a thin and long padmakesara showing a surround of dancing figures above the terminal bud.

The six bays which connect the rangamandapa with the pattaśālā on the western, and the same number at the eastern side are covered by Samatala ceilings (Plates 105-116) largely reminiscent of those in the Mahāvīra temple though somewhat inferior in quality. They, as in the previous case, depict narratives related to the lives of the tīrthaṅkaras, etc. The sixth one on the west side (Plate 116) is significant in that, in its central rectangular box it depicts Gomukha and Cakreśvarī who are the attendant Yakṣa and Yakṣī of Jina Ādideva Rṣabha to whom this temple originally was dedicated.

The eastern side's second bay has a ceiling showing a Kamala-yantra (Plate 119)—magical diagram where the 16 petals of the lotus bear figures of the





8. Floor plan of the Aṣṭāpada, Four-doored devakulikā, Śāntinātha (Ādinātha Phase II) temple. (Not to the scale.) [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]

16 Vidyādevīs surrounding a central Jina figure with a figural belt around it. Four ceilings which follow this, show figures set in boxes (Plates 120-126) as in the corresponding ceilings in the Mahāvīra temple. The first ceiling in this eastern series probably depicts Jinas' parents set in panels (Plates 117, 118).

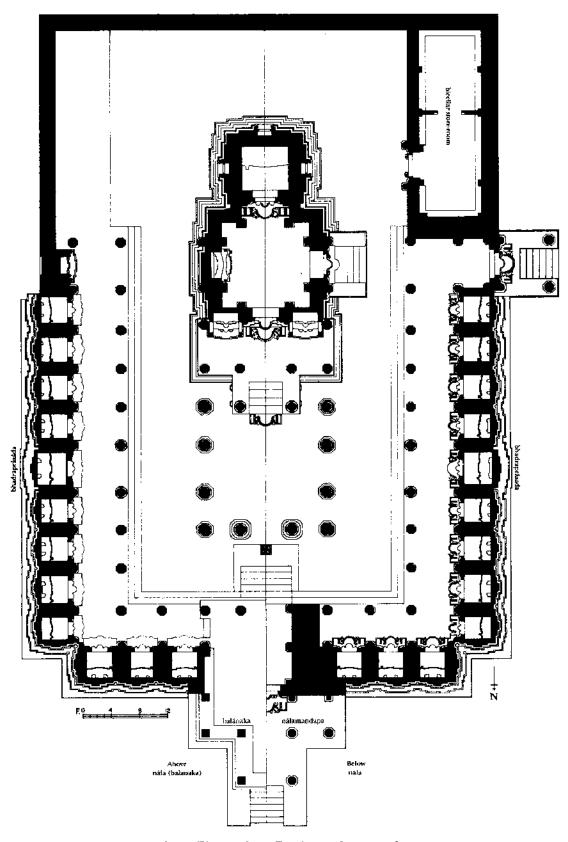
The eight devakulikās each at the east and west side, and four devakulikā-khattakas each along the right and left wings of the northern side possess nothing specially interesting. The ceilings of the paṭṭaśālā-cloister are of the lantern type with its deepest square (or rectangle as the case may be) showing a lotus set in a squarish frame decorated with a creeper carving (Plate 129). At the south end of the eastern wing of the paṭṭaśālā, leaving a gap due to the eastern opening in the southern side of the koṭa-wall, stands a four-doored chapel containing an Aṣṭāpada (Fig. 8; Plates 127, 128) dated A.D. 1206 and is one of the very few surviving examples of the concrete representation of this mythical mountain.

While proceeding to leave the temple complex through its rather unremarkable north mukhacatuskī opening, one notices a symbolic representation of a rotating Svastika (Plate 130) carved on the floor in the mukhālinda between the rangamandapa's nave and the northern cloister. Also may be mentioned, the sketch engraved on the floor-stone in the western aisle is elevation of the śikhara of the temple. (And somewhere around either in this or the Mahāvīra temple is a sketch of the right side of a parikara design.)

The Pārśvanātha Temple

The temple, with all its adjuncts, is supported by a taller jagatī having an open mukhamaṇḍapa connected at the south with a nāla or entry-channel containing a stairway leading up through the jagatī (Fig. 10), and a balānaka-hall constructed above the mukhamaṇḍapa (Fig. 9; Plate 4). Inside are the mūlaprāsāda connected with a gūḍhamaṇḍapa, the trika, the raṅgamaṇḍapa, and the surround of 24 devakulikās with the paṭṭaśālā-cloister which, in the complex's southern section, as in preceding two temples here, give way to the koṭa or wall enclosing the three sides (Fig. 9), leaving empty space between as in the case of the earlier two temples.

The mūlaprāsāda is some 16 ft. wide. It has a karṇapīṭha with unadorned mouldings (Fig. 4c). The vedibandha as well as the jaṅghā are also without the figural decoration. The śikhara is without the jāla-beehive and possesses 93 aṇḍakas and four tilakas (Plates 131, 132). It may be old (even if perhaps not contem-



9. Floor plan, Pārśvanātha temple.

poraneous with the base and wall) since there are no projecting gavākṣa-balconies at the bhadras, the presence of which becomes a regular feature from the 15th century onwards. Moreover, the rekhā-contour and the circularity of karṇāṇḍakas of the venukośa of the mūlamañjarī indicate medieval, and not late medieval period.

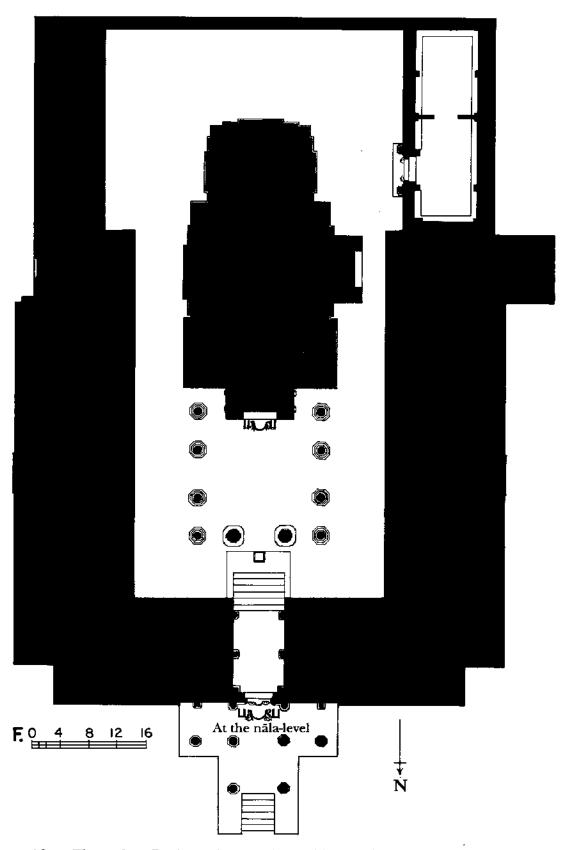
The gūḍhamaṇḍapa, slightly wider than the mūlaprāsāda, has a pārśva-catuṣkī or lateral porch at the west, there being no corresponding opening at the east, just as no coäxial opening in the koṭa-wall at the east (Fig. 9). (The east wall of the closed hall, however, seems lately to have been renovated.)

The garbhagṛha's dviśākhā doorframe consists of patra- and ratnaśākhā, and is of little consequence in terms of appearance.

The Sabhāmārga ceiling of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa is of the usual type with a central Nābhicchanda component without the central lambana. Its originally eight, now seven, vidyādhara brackets once may have supported the eight nāyikā figures.

The pañcaśākhā doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa consists of patra-, rūpa-, rūpastambha, rūpa-, and vallīśākhā. A plain but nicely rendered ardhacandra with śaṅkhāvarta in front of the udumbara or doorsill (Plate 135), the doorsill showing delicately carved central semicircular mandāraka and flanking it the pair of prominently projecting grāsa heads (Plate 135), the pedyās of the jambs on both sides sheltering Vidyādevīs with attendant female figures (Plate 133), and the doorlintel displaying Vidyādevīs in panels with attendant apsarases in dance-postures and gandharvas playing instruments in the countersunk panels (Plate 134) are the features of the dvārabandha. Above the doorframe comes a paṭṭa with cyma recta moulding forming its lower section; it shows fine arabesque design and its flat upper profile displays 14 dreams dreamt by Jina's mother during conception.

For its plan and elevation, the trika follows, in terms of detail, the adjunct in the Mahavīra temple. The usual polished, plainly moulded trika-base has a mukhacatuṣkī in front; its profiles show ornamented rājasena, vedī, and āsanapaṭṭa customarily noticeable in at least the Jaina temples in this group. The east side has niched figures of some Vidyādevī or Yakṣī and Yakṣa Sarvānubhūti and the west side displays two unidentified goddesses (Plates 136, 138). The front pillars of the mukhacatuṣkī are of fully decorated Maru-Gurjara order: They carry an āndola-toraṇa between (Plates 139, 140). A closer view of the details of one of these two pillars showing Cakreśvarī in the jaṅghā provides the estimate of the quality of workmanship (Plate 141). Inside the trika, the wall-pilasters flanking the doorframe



10. Floor plan, Pārśvanātha temple, mukhamaṇḍapa, lower storey level.

have been treated like a triśākhā doorway. The usual pair of ornate khattakas placed between the wall-pilasters show parikaras with toraņas inside (Plate 137); but the once inset images therein are lost. In the renovations carried out in the twenties of this century, the original and carved, but by then darkened and damaged ceilings were replaced, just as were the ceilings covering the bays between the raṅgamaṇḍapa and the pattaśālā, by plain marble slabs, indeed a lamentable loss.

The rangamandapa (Plates 142-147) has a perfectly square sala with sufficiently tall pillars and is thus the best proportioned hall of all the Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā. Its two front pillars at the northern bhadra, like the two of the southern bhadra (shared also by the mukhacatuskī of the trika) are fully decorated (Plates 147, 149), the rest are of sparsely ornamented polymorphic order with well-chiselled lower members (Plate 148) as well as clean faceted shafts (Plates 143-147). The lintels supporting the central ceiling, some 16 ft. in diameter, show an unusual feature in that their lower facia are left without the usual foliate scroll decoration though the central grāsamukha is shown, the only exception being the lintel of the southern bhadra where ten panelled Vidyādevīs with diamonds in countersunk panels are shown. The tantraka, as in the halls of the preceding two temples, displays flat diamonds. The great ceiling (Plates 150-153) starts with a pattikā showing prominently jutting out grāsa-heads in file, next the karnadardarikā, then rūpakantha with diamonds and 16 vidyādhara-brackets followed by a gajatālu course and, after it, in lieu of a second gajatālu-band, comes a rūpadhārā once more followed by a gajatālu course; next come three consecutive belts of catuşkhandā kolas, followed by a mono-kola course, and finally a small three-kolaja lambana.

The paṭṭaśālā pillars here are a little taller than in the two previously built temples and hence their row at the east and west look somewhat impressive (Plate 154). What distinguishes the paṭṭaśālā of this temple from the other two is the elaborate treatment of the pair of pillars facing the two bhadra-prāsādas at east and west (Plate 155) and correspondingly also the similar looking doorframes of those two chapels (Plate 155, 156) which, moreover, strongly resemble that very ornate one of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, the pedyā-niches' pediment is here more delicately carved, almost filigree-like in treatment. The 14 dreams' paṭṭa is also present above the door-lintel in both the instances.

Unlike the preceding two temples, the pattaśālā's southern side as well as the left wing of the northern side possess decorated ceilings, a few being of the

Nābhicchanda class with a central padmakesara (Plate 157). But several are of the Nābhimandāraka class (Plates 158, 159, 161, 162), while that before the bhadra-prāsāda is of the Sabhāmandāraka class, doubtless on a smaller scale, showing dancing and music making figures encircling the padmakesara of its dvi-kolaja lambana (Plate 160). The corresponding ceilings at the paṭṭaśālā's eastern section and the right wing of the northern section, however, are made of simple or leafy karnadardarikās, and of little artistic merit.

The devakulikās of the two wings of the northern section of the cloister are genuine cells and not the apological niche-formed devakulikās.

In front of the northern bhadra of the rangamandapa, on the mukhālinda floor, is carved a rotating svastika symbol (Plate 163) as in the Śāntinātha temple. We may note here the floor-sketches of a temple and another large sketch of the elevation of a śikhara in the western aisle and of the ceiling types, at two places in the eastern aisle.

The balānaka-hall has plain dwarf pillars above the āsanapaṭṭa and plain polymorphic columns at its rear end (Plate 164); and, because of its presence, the interior of the Pārśvanātha temple is somewhat better lighted than the preceding two temples.

The exterior elevation of the internally decorated bhadraprāsāda in the western row of the devakulikās is also ornamented. It is illustrated in two Plates (165, 166), one of the period before, and the other after the recent addition of the śikharas for the devakulikās neighbouring the bhadraprāsāda. The bhadraprāsāda pillars bear figural niches on its jaṅghā. The bhadraprāsāda has a śikhara of good form showing also the finely done jāla pattern.

The Neminātha Temple

The temple to Arhat Aristanemi alias Jina Neminātha (Plates 5, 6) is the largest building and by virtue of its central situation and size it is today, as perhaps was in the medieval period also, the main focus as well as from the visiting pilgrims' point of view the most sacred fane of the assemblage of Jaina buildings at the site. Chronologically, however, it is the fifth in sequence, and from the standpoint of art, not the best one even when architecturally it is the more monumental of the group.

About the founding and founder as well as the consecrator of this temple, fairly dependable information is available from two 15th century sources, namely

the Upadeśa-saptati (A.D. 1447) of Somadharma gaņi of Tapā-gaccha and one prabandha figuring in the manuscript 'P' included within the Purātana Prabandha Samgraha; it seemingly is of the early 15th century. The cryptic accounts of both works agree in regard to the essential facts, though differ in a few details which would imply that both had before them one common and the other a different source. According to Somadharma's account, one Pāsila of Ārāsaņagrāma, who was best among the śrāvakas, and was the son of minister Gogā, had lost his wealth. Once he went to Pattana (Anahillapattana) for selling ghee and oil. After finishing the business, he went for paying obeisance to his guru. There he engaged himself in measuring (the dimensions of) the Rājavihāra. At that moment, Hāmsi, the daughter of the billionaire Chādā who (had in his coffers) 99,00,000 gold coins, laughed (at Pāsila) and asked: "Brother, why are you measuring (the temple); are you planning to build (such a monumental and magnificent) caitya?" Responded Pāsila: "Sister, it professes to be a very difficult job; a child cannot hope to weigh the Suvarnācala-mountain; however, if I indeed succeed in building a temple (prāsāda), do come (to Ārāsaņa) to attend (the consecration ceremony.)" So saying he returned to his village and invoked Ambikā who appeared before him after his fasting for ten days. By her grace, the lead mine (in the neighbourhood) turned into silver mine. (From the income he thus got) he started building the temple sacred to Lord Nemi. While the work was underway, his guru visited the karmasthāya (hut) and inquired about the progress (in building). Pāsila replied that, by the grace of god and guru, it is progressing well. Ambikā, who was listening, felt that this person is ungrateful. Within 12 praharas (36 hours) the silver mine turned back into lead mine. The temple proper by then had progressed only up to the sikhara. The source of funding dried up, he met the guru and also the 'sister' (Hāmsi) in Pattana and intimated them about his plans (under the circumstances) to proceed now with the installation ceremony. Thereupon the sister demanded a (sacred) garment to be given her and she then declared that a hall to the temple will be added by her. And she built the hall called 'Meghanada' at the cost of nine hundred thousand (drammas). Other temples (devakulikās ?) were erected by (other) tradesmen. At the end of this account, Somadharma quotes a verse from some (earlier) work, which states: "The well-talented 'faithful', namely Päsila, son of minister Gogāka, built the lofty temple to Lord Nemi: The crest-jewel of the Nirgrantha (sect) and the disciple of the preceptor Municandra sūri, namely Vādīndra Deva sūri the preceptor, consecrated (the cult image of) Nemi."

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The prabandha inside the Purātana Prabandha Samgraha thus narrates this episode: 'Once Pāsila, son of the minister Gogā of Ārāsaņapura, on becoming a pauper, went to Pattana on an agricultural errand. There, in the Rājavihāra, he began to take measurement of the (huge cult) image. Noticing him so doing, the daughter of Thakkura Chāḍā who at that point happened to come to the temple, inquired: "Brother, taking thus the measurement of the image as you do, (may I assume that) you intend to get made such one?" (Thereupon) he replied: "Sister, if I ever can get it made, you must come (to Ārāsaņa) on the occasion of the consecration ceremony." After this happening, he went back to his town. For the purpose of acquiring funding for making the image (as he had ardently desired), he went to the temple of (the Brahmanical goddess?) Ambikā for fasting. After ten days of fasting, the goddess appeared before him and thus uttered: "Ask for the boon. (I will grant it)." "Let it be that I can build a temple like the one built by the King (Siddharāja Jayasimha)." Goddess indicated to him a site and showed him there the mine. While the work of mining was underway, his guru visited him and inquired whether his wish was fulfilled. Replied he: "with the grace of Lord (Jina) and guru." Angered thereupon as the goddess was, she commanded him at once to quit (the site). The mine then caved in. What he had in the meanwhile got (by sale of metal? marble?) was 45,000 dīnārs. He soon after commenced the work on building the temple (the core of the jagatīs ?) of brick. Next he visited Pattana, met Chādā and his daughter and requested the tradesman's daughter to attend the installation ceremony. Deva sūri and the tradesman's daughter went (to Ārāsaņa). The consecration took place in A.D. 1137. At the expense of nine lacs, the sister (Hāmsi) built a hall called Meghanāda. After the main narrative account over, the prabandha-writer quotes the same verse as did Somadharma and following it one more which purports to give the date S. 1193/A.D. 1137 of the consecration of the image/temple.

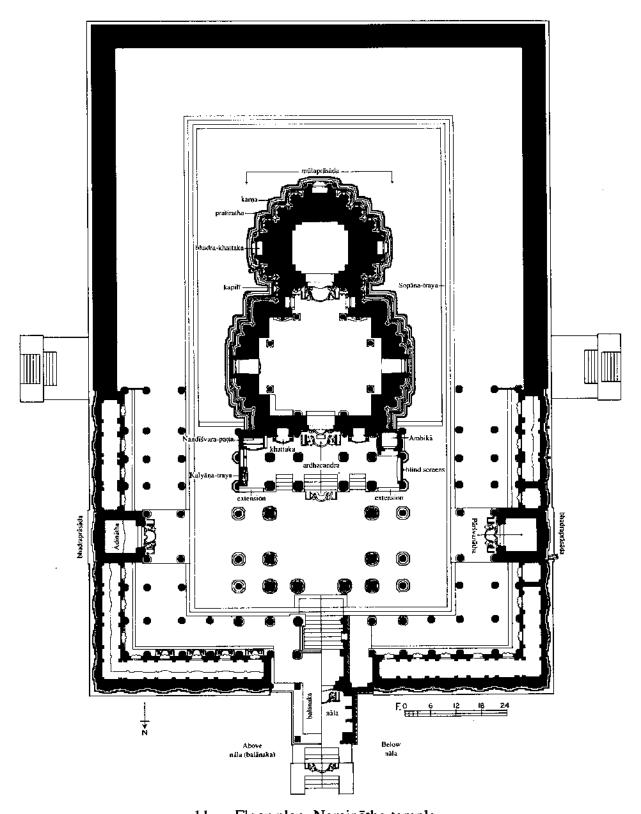
Filtering out the mythical and miraculous, the sum and substance of the anecdotal accounts is that, Pāsila, the meansless son of the (late?) minister Gogāka of Ārāsaṇa, was impressed by the magnitude of the Rājavihāra and its monumental cult image at Aṇahillapāṭaka which, as known from the Prabhāvakacarita and other sources, was built by king Jayasimhadeva Siddharāja in A.D. 1127. Then on he had been dreaming of building such a magnificent temple and, when some fund he could master, forthwith had begun with an ambitious plan. Apparently, however, even when he may have made efforts, ultimately the shortage of funds did not allow him to complete the complex. Luckily for him, impressed by his religious zeal, Hārňsi, the

daughter of the billionaire Chāḍā of Aṇahillapāṭaka, added the Meghanāda maṇḍapa. Excepting for the two large bhadraprāsādas, the rest of the devakulikās, as reported by the inscriptions, were subsequently and progressively added to the temple complex in the latter half of the 13th century.

The temple complex (Plate 6) is situated on a fairly lofty but, as with all other temples at the site, featureless jagatī. It has a balānaka or nāla-maṇḍapa situated above the mukhacatuṣkī and the nāla-stairway inserted at a central point through the north front of the jagatī (Fig. 11; Plate 5) which leads straight up into the raṅgamaṇḍapa (Plate 172) as is also the case at the site with the earlier instance of the temple of Jina Pārśva. The dviśākhā-doorframe of the entrance within the stairway-porch has its carving recently re-executed, seemingly after the earlier one, the doorsill though seems original.

The rangamandapa is of the Meghanada class (as reported by the 15th century writers, earlier noticed) and thus having an attic storey (Plates 171, 174, 175). At the northern or balānaka end and at the southern or satcatuskī end, it is opened up since lintels do not bridge the pillars that stand within these two situations (Plates 168, 169, 171). Unlike the three preceding temples at the site, all of the 12 pillars of the square nave are fully carved according to the conventions of the Maru-Gurjara style (Plates 171, 173, 174), earlier encountered in the rangamandapa of the Sun temple at Modherā (c. A.D. 1070), and still earlier at Osiāñ (torana, A.D. 1018), Kirādu, Nāgadā, and Ahāda, the last three instances are of the last quarter of the tenth century and all located in Rajasthan. However, unlike Kirādu and Modherā and near at hand in the three preceding temples in Kumbhāriyā itself, no toranas apparently were intended to be inserted between the pillars even in the original scheme. This hall is surrounded by the colonnaded pattaśālā behind which are articulated the rows collectively of the 24 devakulikās disposed along east, north, and west (Fig. 11). As in the three preceding temples at the site, the peripheral kota-wall begins where the eastern and western rows of the devakulikas end.

The paṭṭaśālā-cloister is devoid of carved ceilings, a regrettable deficiency. The only carved ceiling related to the central location in the east-west paṭṭaśālā alignment, and of some consequence, is the one which is just above the nāla-stairway termination (Plate 170), the three other instances which occur behind it are composed of plain dardarikās (Plate 168); these latter were painted in the Mughal period. The aforenoted fully carved ceiling is of the Mandāraka class with the sunk sub-lintels



11. Floor plan, Neminātha temple.

showing series of full-blown lotuses at their soffit (Plate 170). The pair of the dwarf front pillars of the mukhacatuṣk \bar{i} of the balānaka which stand further behind at the extreme north, hold a toraṇa of the \bar{a} ndola class (Plate 167), the type introduced at least from c. late tenth century in lower western India and was commonly used in Jaina as well as Brahmanical buildings of the subsequent centuries.

The pillars of the upper storey of the Meghanada mandapa are dwarf and, unlike the vedī-kakṣāsana complex there, largely unornamented (Plates 174, 175). Hall's magnificent central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling (Plates 176, 177) they support is c. 20 ft. 6 in. in diameter. It is thus the largest of all in the Kumbhāriyā temple-halls. Among its receding and stratified courses, after the relatively plain karnadardarikā, comes the rūpakantha bearing 16 vidyādhara-brackets, the space between the brackets is at points filled with Jinas adored on either side by an elephant, a motif which will recur in the ceilings of a couple of subsequent temples in Prabhāsa, Saurāstra, the ceilings of which are now to be seen in the town's Diāmi and Māipurī mosques. In the rūpakantha here are also shown astamangalas and possibly the Kalyānakas of the Jina. Above the rūpakantha is a course of gajatālu followed by a narapattikā depicting the pañcakalyānakas of the Jina. The inclusion of narapattikā, as in the Pārśvanātha temple here, and aesthetically not very comforting, will be reported within a decade and a half in the great ceiling (23 ft. 6 in.) of the rangamandapa in marble (c. A.D. 1145-50) built by minister Pṛthvīpāla, in the Adinātha temple (Vimala-vasahī) at Delvādā on Mt. Abu. After this belt, once more comes a band of gajatālu, next the three strata of the conjoined catuskhandā-kolas in receding order, and finally a well-integrated sapta-kolaja lambana-pendant (Plate 178, 179). The ceiling, by virtue of its larger dimensions, is doubtless impres-sive; but its effect could have been further enhanced by providing a circle of lūmās or pendantives around the central lambana-pendant as in the Vimala temple parallel and in fact many more examples of the ceilings of the 12th and the 13th century Jaina temples. The contours of the mouldings as well as architectural details of the entire ceiling were lightly painted with brown, black, and reddish pigments, apparently in the 17th century (Plates 177, 178) when the temple was reconsecrated in A.D. 1619. Its yellowed marble made the ceiling look like a carved and painted piece of ivory. (Recently, however, the paint has been rubbed out, and gone with it is its charming patina.) The central octagon which leaves four triangular depressions at four corners of the nave, are in each instance, filled with a large grāsa-head.

The next portion, the satcatuski (Plates 180, 181) today shows largely an unmoulded and an undecorated stereobate-front. It had been laterally extended by one columnar bay each involving the front and rear row toward east as well as west (Fig. 11) in c. A.D. 1254 or perhaps some time soon after for accommodating some additional installations to be shortly described. The original portions are the four frontal and the four rear pillars (Plates 180, 181) which are fully carved as in the nave of the great hall, the two khattakas, as usual, flank the doorway that provides entry to the closed hall. The two central ceilings, one behind the other in this vestibular portion and showing almost identical pattern, are of the Mandāraka class (Plates 183, 184) and in detail they resemble the one that figures above the stairway termination earlier noticed here (Plate 170). The lateral ceilings (Plates 185, 186) are generically related, in terms of detail, to the central type. Compared to the rich and handsome ceilings in the trika of the Mahāvīra, and the satcatuskī of the Śāntinātha temple, these look somewhat paltry, rather ordinary and less in keeping [as is also the case with Kumārapāla's great temple of Ajitanātha at Tārangā (c. A.D. 1165) where similar ceilings figure in the satcatuski], with the otherwise grand looking interior.

The lateral extensions at the east and west of the satcatuski, mentioned in the foregoing, are walled up, each walling divided visually into two divisions whose exterior has a look of two adjacently placed blind screens of the box type filled with geometric and related motifs (Plate 182). The extensions' aspects falling within the satcatuskī and behind the aforenoted wall-screens show, at the east, a 'Kalyānatrayapatta' (with the uppermost third panel bearing the seated third Jina now lost) dated A.D. 1287 (Plate 243) and in the bay next to it are located two niches which show two standing images of Jinas in kāyotsarga posture. All of these images face west: the corresponding extended portion at the west end shows a large patta dated A.D. 1254 which shows 170 Jinas of the 'utkrsta-kāla' or supremely glorious period in the megacycle of time (Plate 242). The patta faces east. The original feature noticeable at the south wall, as earlier noted, is a pair of khattaka-niches, one at the right and the other at the left of the closed hall's lofty doorway. The additional khattaka attached at the eastern side of the extension and facing north shelters a 'Nandīśvara-dvīpa-patta' dated A.D. 1267 (Plate 241): The corresponding one at the opposite end contains an image of Yakṣī Ambikā of a late date (Plate 230), a fairly later addition but the pertinence of whose presence is obvious since the temple belongs to Jina Aristanemi, Ambikā being his attendant Yaksī.

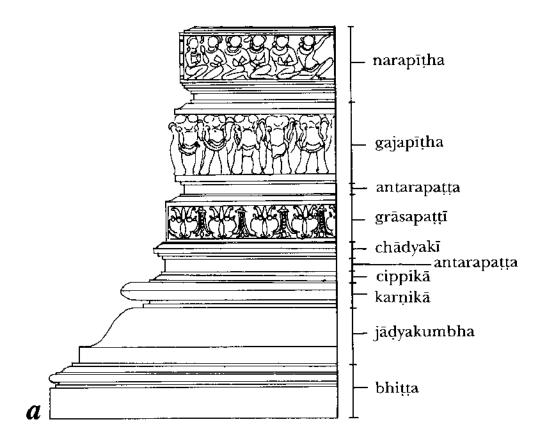
The doorway allowing entry inside the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, mentioned in the foregoing passage, is very large and could be so, thanks to the unbridged central pillars of the ṣaṭcatukṣī. Its śākhās have been recently redone according to its former design, its high doorsill, however, is original, showing as it does large grāsamukhas flanking the central semi-circular mandāraka projection whose face is carved with vigorous scroll (Plate 187). The profile of the rectangular stepping stone placed over the ardhacandra or moonstone is likewise nicely carved with similar vallī-fragment (Plate 187). The face of the ardhacandra is, as usual, without any decorative carving.

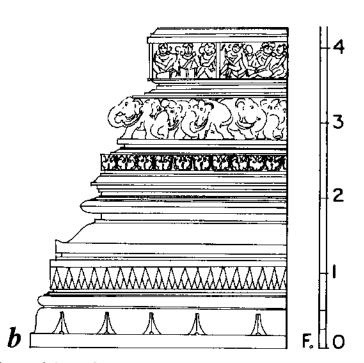
The eastern and the western walls of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, together with the interior pilasters, as also the painted and relatively simple domical ceiling above are of the restoration period of the later times. Its mouldings up to the karṇaka of the base, however, look older and are continuous with those of the mūlaprāsāda: The hall thus appears to follow the original floor-plan of the preceding structure. The redone portion above the pītha, even when partially moulded, is largely without ornamentation, the exception being its udgama-pediments above the plain jaṅghā which show intricate and indeed elegant arabesque or geometric designs that clearly reflect the late, as well as Islamic, form and idiom for their composition and details (Plates 188, 189).

The 'Samalikāvihāra-paṭṭa' (A.D. 1282) (Plate 244), a 'Vis-viharamāna-Jina-paṭṭa' (Plate 240), and the two 'Jinamātṛkā-paṭṭas' (Plate 237)—all of which for some years now have been set up in the different locations within the Mahāvīra-caitya together with the three fragments of what once constituted a 'Saptatiśata-Jina-paṭṭa' now placed before the empty image-parikaras inside the first three consecutive devakulikās in the western row in that temple (Plates 238, 239)—were all originally placed in the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Neminātha temple. A pair of large and handsome kāyotsarga Jinas (Plate 220) flanking the antarāla and dated to S. 1214/A.D. 1158 show finely executed vallī fragment at their pedestal-face, whose loops inclose elephant figures (Plate 221). One more pair of the standing Jinas but flanking the garbhagṛha-doorframe and dated to S. 1314/A.D. 1258 is also not unimpressive and has a similarly carved pedestal (Plate 222, 223).

The doorframe of the garbhagṛha is in style largely after that of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa. Inside is the later image of the mūlanāyaka Jina Ariṣṭanemi, set up in A.D. 1619.

The exterior of the mandovara or wall of the temple proper, unlike other Jaina temples at the site, is fully decorated. The prāsāda (Plates 190, 191, 194) is tri-anga





- 12. Elevations of the pīṭhas:
 - a. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda;
 - b. Kumbheśvara temple, mūlaprāsāda.

on plan showing karņa, pratiratha, and bhadra (Fig. 11). It is c. 34 ft. across the east-west bhadra axis. Its base (Fig. 12a), unlike those of the previous three temples, shows gajapīṭha (elephant figure-belt) and narapīṭha (belt showing human figures in action). The kumbha-faces of the vedibandha display figures of Vidyādevīs and Yakṣīs (Plates 195-199). The bifacial karṇas or the corners, as in all Maru-Gurjara and in a few other contemporaneous regional styles having decorated temples, show Dikpāla figures, the pratirathas display Vidyādevīs and Yakṣīs such as Vairoṭyā, Acchuptā, Mānavī, Jvālāmālinī (or Mahājvālā), Vajrāṅkuśā, Naradattā, Kālī, Mahākālī, Gaurī, and Gāndhārī (Plates 192, 193). The śikhara is of later date. The kapilī-niches on both east and west side carry the remaining four Dikpāla figures according to their directional positions.

Behind the mūlaprāsāda and supported at the southern side of the koṭa-wall is the very large original toraṇa-frame (Plate 233) which once may have been placed before the earlier and original cult image in the sanctuary, the remainder of the many other pieces that were once discarded (when the gūḍhamaṇḍapa was rebuilt), exposed to elements and lying there uncared, reported by Muni Jayantavijaya as well as Muni Viśālavijaya, were since then had been shifted to the store-cellars of the Mahāvīra and the Śāntinātha caityas, the better ones were placed at different locations in the Mahāvīra temple. The discarded fragment of the top of a Samavasaraṇa (Plate 236), noticed in the eastern precincts of the Pārśvanātha temple may point out to a second Samavasaraṇa somewhere in the Kumbhāriyā temple complex, perhaps in the Neminātha temple.

The devakulikās attached to the paṭṭaśālā around the Meghanāda hall, with the exception of the two large bhadraprāsādas situated at east and west, largely were built during the latter half of the 13th century. Each of them have a dviśākhā doorframe showing a broad and finely delineated valliśākhā (Plate 203). The bhadraprāsādas stylistically seem contemporaneous with the mūlaprāsāda and by omission of the paṭṭaśālā steps, they could be provided with larger dviśākhā doorframes together with the correspondingly ample moonstones (Plate 200-202). Matching with these generous proportions, inside the cellas, are very large seated Jina images, Jina Ādinātha (replacement of the 17th cent.) in the eastern and Pārśvanātha, perhaps original, in the western bhadraprāsāda. Of the two bhadraprāsādas, the maṇḍovara or exterior wall of the western one is fully decorated (Plates 204, 205). Unlike other devakulikās in this complex, the two bhadraprāsādas seem to have been built soon after the main sanctuary. The devakulikās do not have

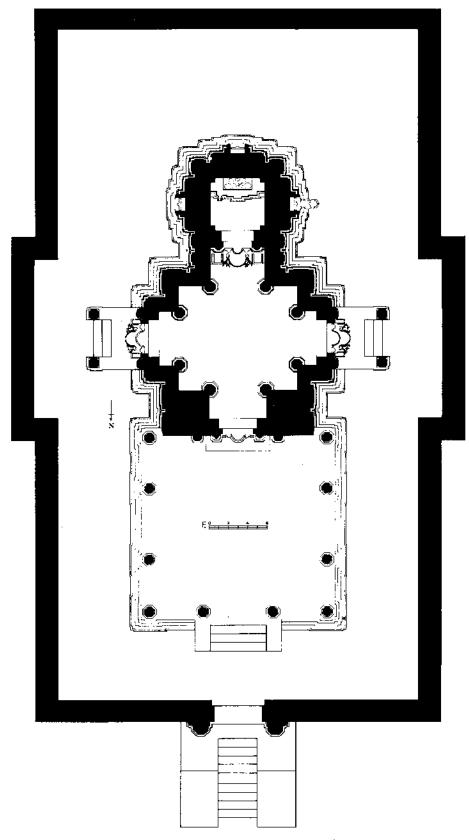
internal walls separating them. Externally, however, each one shows a separate sikhara. While these sikharas are uncarved (some of these have been more recently constructed), at least the one in the western row shows delicate jāla carving characteristic of the late 13th century besides being elegantly formed (Plates 206-208). Where the devakulikā-rows terminate, at the eastern and western sides the koṭa-wall had openings but blocked during one of the later renovations.

The Sambhavanātha Temple (Originally Śāntinātha)

This fifth and the last Jinālaya (Plate 7) in the sequence of buildings is the least pretentious as also the least interesting of the buildings even when it apparently was built in the 13th century (Plates 209-211). The temple with its two halls stands on a jagatī supporting a kota-wall running all along its periphery (Fig. 13). The subshrines are absent. The sanctuary, about 14 ft. 8 in. wide, is conjoined to a closed hall and has no trika-vestibule. The rangamandapa is directly bonded with the north wall of the closed hall. While the sikhara shows minute jāla-carving (Plates 209-211) typical of the 13th century examples, the base and the wall, though moulded, are relatively unadorned as in the aforediscussed first three temples. The base mouldings (Fig. 4d) do not include the gajapītha and narapītha. At the bhadra points, the jādyakumbha alone shows the central ardharatna flanked by ardhathakaras as in the earlier three examples. The kumbha-faces of the vedibandha at the bhadra-points and the rear karņas alone have some figures, the Yakṣīs and Vidyādevīs like Cakreśvarī, Vajrasmkalā and others, and dancing ladies on the flanking sub-facets of the bhadra-kumbhas (Plate 212). The janghā section at the bhadra-offsets has niches, now empty. The sikhara has the usual bhadra-rathikās. They show figures of Vajraśrnkalā (E), Cakreśvarī (S), and Sarasvatī (W).

The śikhara of the prāsāda (Plates 209-211) indeed is beautifully formed. It possesses as many as 117 aṇḍakas; this is because, as is the case with Pārśvanātha temple, it employs pañcāṇḍaka (Kesari) or panta-turreted 'karmas' instead of mono-turreted 'śṛṅgas'. Four tilakas of the kakṣakūṭaka type bearing standing niched figures on their front also occur as constituents of the śikhara.

The exterior of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa has the moulded surfaces of the same type as the prāsāda but without the figural decoration. In the interior, one of the wall-pilasters bears an inscription of S. 1529/A.D. 1473 (No. 139). There are niches between the pilasters, one of which bears an inscription of S. 1325/A.D. 1269 (No. 126). Apparently of late 13th century but a somewhat ordinary looking



13. Floor plan, Sambhavanātha (originally Śāntinātha) temple.

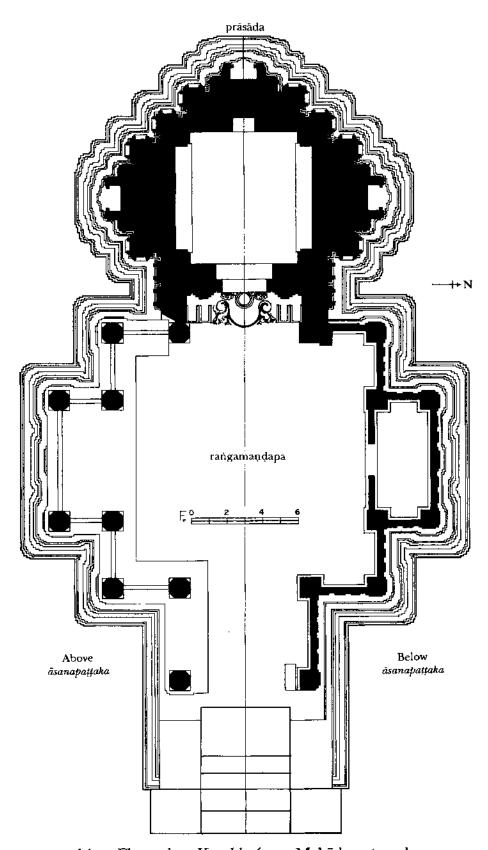
image of Jina Vāsupūjya is seen in one of the flanking niches of the interior's eastern bhadra (Plate 224). Also noticed is the image of ārādhaka couple (Plate 225) incongruently placed on the pedestal of a Jina with empty parikara. On the shafts of the pair of polygonal pillars at the entry of the antarāla, are noticeable sketches of the Cāmara-bearers.

The rangamandapa has relatively plain polygonal pillars of little interest (Plate 214); its ceiling (17 ft. 3 in.) is a plain Jane, save for a rūpakantha bearing a series of half lotuses in hemicycles but without the vidyādhara brackets, the rest of the elevation being made up of a series of plain karnadardarikās. The moulded doorway (Plate 213) leading to the closed hall has a lintel showing śikharikās, three on either side of the central larger one, as done at the Lūṇa-vasahī temple's parallel example in Delvādā on Mt. Ābu but without its rich, intricate, and delicate carving. Below the lateral śikharikās are panels containing seated Vidyādevīs, the central one displaying the tutelary image of the Jina. The dviśākhā doorframe has a slender stambhaśākhā which is horizontally divided at intervals but carries no carving. The antaraśākhā is of the vallī type. The usual door-guardian figures with their flanking attendant figures are shown at the pedyās. The wall-pilasters, however, are profusely carved, just as they are treated like a rūpastambha flanked by a pair of rūpaśākhā.

The temple may be dated some year before A.D. 1264 (the date of the niche inscription) but probably some time after A.D. 1232. Jinacandra sūri III as well as poet Meha refer to a temple sacred to Jina Śāntinātha among the five that then existed and still exist. Apparently, by *reductio ad absurdum*, this Sambhavanātha building, not referred to by the medieval writers as of Sambhavanātha, was that very temple. Who its founder was, is unclear. A late 13th century literary notice elsewhere refers to the 84 Jaina fanes built at different sacred places by Pṛthvīdhara (Pethaḍa Sāha), a minister in Mālavadeśa, in or before A.D. 1264, the list, however, does not allude to Ārāsaṇa even when he is reported to have visited the town while on a pilgrimage to the holy Jaina sites in Gujarat. The possibility of he having his hands in building, however, cannot altogether be ruled out since he was a prolific builder.

The Sangameśvara and the Kumbheśvara Mahādeva Temples

To the northwest of the Sambhavanātha temple stands this Śivaite marble temple, the only extant Brahmanical shrine. There was one other Śiva temple at the site, its relics such as the doorframe, the pillars, and a couple of Śiva images, had been noticed and



14. Floor plan, Kumbheśvara Mahādeva temple.

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reported by Muni Viśālavijaya and on the basis of an associated inscription of A.D. 1090 there, which refers to the Sangameśvara temple, it may be conjectured to have been built in or before that date.

The extant Siva temple, now going by the name of 'Kumbheśvara', has a tri-anga prāsāda with a semi-open rangamandapa, the temple structure standing on a jagatī of little consequence (Fig. 14). The basal mouldings, as in the Neminātha temple shows a gajapītha and a narapītha (Fig. 12b). The prāsāda, about 19 ft. wide, is fully decorated with the usual Dikpāla figures at the karņa-angles and the surasundaris at the pratirathas (Plates 215, 217). All are stationed within the parikarma-frames as in the case of the Neminātha temple here and in fact scores of Brahmanical and Jaina temples built before and after this building. The bhadra niches show Bhairava (S), Nateśa (W), and Cāmundā (N). Bhandarkar dated this temple to the period of the Sun temple at Modherā (i.e. c. A.D. 1027); but the presence of erotic and other figures flanking the small niched divine figures on the kumbha faces (Plate 216) is a late feature, and the general qualitative inferiority as well as the style of the jangha sculptures indicate an early 13th century date for this building. A stele nearby bearing a long inscription of S.1263/A.D. 1207 mentioning the name of Bhīmadeva II and his minister Āmbāka, which purports to gifts of taxes levied etc., may approximately indicate the date of the building of the temple.

The truncated śikhara of the prāsāda (Plate 8) is very badly repaired and the architectural members of the rangamaṇḍapa show little carving. Bhandarkar though compares the ornamentation of its pilasters with the Modherā temple's decorative carving, again an untenable equation/comparison.

CHAPTER 6

Associated Sculptures

In western India, after A.D. 1030, a progressive decline sets in the quality of images as well as figural, vegetative, and geometric decorative art integral with buildings. The Jina images from that period onwards, whether seated or standing, look stolid and expressionless. (The original images seated in 'padmāsana' in Kumbhāriyā, however, are mostly lost since, after mutilation by the iconoclasts, removed.) What further adds to that deficiency is insertion of crystal eyes, metal-nipples and similar other external impositions necessitated for saving images from wear and tear due to the application of 'pūjā-dravya' and consequent intensive lustral ceremony. Moreover, the showing of dhoti and ornaments in carving, in cases specially of the images standing in 'kāyavyutsarga' posture (Plates 218-220), contribute further toward eliminating the barest of art element present. The accompanying figures of the attendants-cāmara-bearers, adorers etcetera-in sooner cases look a little better, particularly in the instances of the Jina images from the latter half of the 11th century (Plate 219). But the conventional and highly stereotyped parikara-frames or figural surrounds associated with the central Jina figure have very little to commend, from the standpoint of art, after the date c. A.D. 1075.

Likewise, the figures of the Yakṣas and Yakṣīs such as Sarvānubhūti (a Jaina version of the Brahmanical Vaiśravaṇa—Kubera) and Ambikā [Pārvatī provided with the mango tree/fruit association by literally interpreting the component 'amba' = āmra (Skt.)], either as icons for worship in their own right (Plates 226-227) or else figuring as 'alamkāra-devatā'—divinities employed in the decorative context (Plate 228)—falling within the 11th century can be considered tolerably good examples of art (Plates 226-227). Those hieratic images of the 12th and later centuries, for example the Ambikā icons (Plates 229-230), are useful for the iconographic and ritual-worship purpose alone, not so much for art.

In Kumbhāriyā, the images of Vidyādevīs, Yakṣīs, Cakreśvarī, Sarasvatī, Brahmaśānti Yakṣa, and Hari-Negameṣa occur fairly frequently in the

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decoration-scheme—some of them in pillar-niches, in ceilings such as those of the trika of the Śāntinātha temple, also in Samatala ceilings covering the space between the paṭṭaśālā and the devakulikās, and of course in the panels of the doorframes as well as in the posts of the toraṇa-parikaras. But in all these cases, they are present as 'signifiers', declaring the temple unambiguously 'Jaina' besides providing the evidence for the contextual iconological connections.

Then there are figures of lesser deities such as the gandharva-minstrels and the surasundarīs. Their minor presence sometimes enliven the situations where they occur, for instance on pillars and in ceilings: the examples primarily are noticeable in the Mahāvīra temple (Plates 43, 53, 54). They are decorative but also significant accessory figures in some selected cases betraying artistic pretensions.

Among other carved stone pieces meant for worship are the symbolic representations of some cosmographic objects/features or legendary events. This is, of course, a typically medieval phenomenon unknown either in ancient literature or through actual examples. At least two of that class exist in Kumbhāriyā, a Samavasaraṇa (Plate 73) and an Aṣṭāpada (Plate 127, 128).¹ Then there are the 'paṭṭas',² or the carved slabs, which virtually are stereotyped representations of themes, of which those of the 24 mothers of the 24 Jinas (Plate 237), the Vis-viharamāna-Jinas (Plate 240), the Saptatiśata-Jinas (Plate 242), the Nandīśvaradvīpa (Plate 241), the Kalyāṇatraya (Plate 243), and the Samalikā-vihāra/Aśvāvabodha-caritra-paṭṭa (Plate 244) are available here. {The paṭṭas bearing figures of the 24-Jinas,³ the Sammetaśikhara,⁴ the schematic depiction of Mts. Girnār and the Śatruñjaya,⁵ are not met with here, though an inscription mentioning an [Aṣṭā]pada (paṭṭa) (Insc. 126) is known.}

Sometime during the 12th century, a convention had begun in regard to placing a sort of parikara-torana before the image, be it in the main sanctuary, or in the bhadraprāsāda enshrining an image, or in a devakulikā. At least five such examples are noticeable in Kumbhāriyā, one connected with the Mahāvīra temple (Plate 231), the other originally before the cult image in the main sanctuary in Pārśvanātha (Plate 232), two more also installed in the devakulikās of Pārśvanātha temple (Plate 234, 235) and an instance that was connected with one of the three very large images, either in the main sanctuary or in one of the two bhadraprāsādas but discarded and removed to the backyard (Plate 233). They look impressive for intricacy of carving: the details, however, are tiresome.

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But artistically the most interest-abiding are the lively animal figures ranged in file and noticeable on the borders of some of the Samatala ceilings in the Mahāvīra temple (Plates 70, 71). Such spirited and elegant figures rendered in high relief do not occur anywhere in western Indian Jaina art, be they concerning a narrative-depiction or other related theme in the Delvādā ceilings.

Annotations

- 1. The convention of including the three-dimensioned representations of Nandīśvaradvīpa, Sammetašikhara, and Kalyāṇatraya apparently came in vogue in the 13th century, and as the evidence shows, specifically in the context of the buildings of Vastupāla and Tejapāla. These are, without exception, of the Śvetāmbara affiliation, although the representation of the Aṣṭāpada was plausibly in vogue in the Boṭika/Kṣapaṇaka sect in central India. The representation of 'Sahasrakūṭa' in the context of the Śvetāmbara tradition is not known before mid 15th century. It was adopted there from the Kṣapaṇaka tradition of central India where it figures from at least the tenth century both in literature and in fair abundance in concrete representations in the tenth and the 11th century.
- 2. The tradition of 'patta' worship in Jainism is ancient. The evidence is available from at least the Śaka period (c. 1st-2nd cent. A.D.) in Mathurā where they occur on the āyāgapaṭṭas, where, however, the theme of representation was different, namely the 'maṅgalas,' auspicious symbols. There is apparently a long hiatus between that age and the medieval period when 'paṭṭa' worship reappear but with altogether different themes. Perhaps, in the intervening period, the painted paṭṭas of silk may have served the purpose.
- 3. The 'Caturvimsati-Jina-patta' occur in two ways: as an image proper, in stone or metal, with a central larger Jina, seated or standing, with a surround of the 23 Jinas: And, as a carved slab bearing tiny figures of the 24 Jinas in panels, arranged in superimposed rows. It is this second type which is relevant here. It is purely of Śvetāmbara origin, available elsewhere from several Jaina sites from c. late tenth century onwards.
- 4. The Sammetasikhara-pattas are rarely met with, and that too not before the late 12th century. These are unknown in the Botika/Ksapanaka as well as the Digambara sect.
- 5. These pattas are peculiar to the Śvetāmbara sect and are available in plenty; but none is earlier than the middle of the 15th century and mostly from Rajasthan from the Jaina temples in Rāṇakpur, Jaisalmer etc.

The other types of paṭṭas such as the Nandīśvara, Aṣṭāpada, Vis-viharamāna-Jinas (who are the 20 Jinas, preaching in the legendary Mahāvideha continent of the Jambūdvīpa), Kalyāṇatraya, and Aśvāvabodha with Samalikā-vihāra-caritra are confined to the Śvetāmbara sect and there, too, their examples are largely unknown before the 13th century. The earliest examples of the Nandīśvara paṭṭa are known from the 12th century. The Aṣṭāpada paṭṭas are rather rare to meet with, their three-dimensional representations had begun from at least the 12th century. The 'Kalyāṇatraya' is a concrete representation of a concept of the three kalyāṇakas of Jina Aṛiṣṭanemi—his Renunciation, attainment of Enlightenment and finally the Salvation—that had

legendarily happened on Ujjayantagiri or Mt. Girnār. The convention of representing these as tri-dimensional symbols and building temples to enshrine them was started by the minister Tejapāla on Ujjayantagiri in the first instance and next he set it up on Mt. Ābu in the hastiśālā of his temple for Jina Neminātha. This representation is so far unknown in the Kṣapaṇaka or for that matter in the Digambara tradition. On the other hand, the paṭṭas bearing a single pair of a Jina's parents which are frequently encountered in the Kṣapaṇaka (and possibly Digambara) religious art of central India are completely unknown in the Śvetāmbara tradition. Also, representing the first and the last tīrthankara (Rṣabha and Vardhamāna) together as kāyotsarga images and called 'Ādyāntanātha', favoured in east India and sometimes seen in central India, is a depiction that is not so far known in the Śvetāmbara sources—literary, epigraphical, or concrete.

CHAPTER 7

Inscriptions

With the exception of the Sambhavanātha, all other Jaina temples in Kumbhāriyā possess inscriptions in sufficiently large number, though none is of the 'prasasti'class reporting on its foundation date, the founder and his familial details, and the pontiff who officiated the consecration rites of the main sanctuary, nor is there any of the donative type of major significance. Yet several of them are informative, significant on one hand for some aspects of history of the buildings and on the other for some interesting details they provide on the friars, monks, and pontiffs and their gacchas/sub-orders as well as on the contemporary rulers, high officials, and lay-followers, the latter two of the Svetāmbara affiliation, and thus provide first hand evidence for reconstructing the socio-religious history of the site. They also help determine the probable chronological sequence of the buildings, a firm aid to what can be read through stylistic analysis of their architecture and sculpture. They, moreover, clarify to which particular Jina the temple originally was dedicated. As for those inscriptions which cast clear light on dedication and provide help in dating, they have been referred to while dwelling on the description of the temples. The rest of the interesting/significant aspects will be discussed in this chapter. In all, and indeed as many as 147 epigraphs have been selected from about 161 recorded by Muni Viśālavijaya. And three more have been included from those recently spotted and published by Lakshmanbhai Bhojak. Most of the inscriptions are engraved on the pedestals of the images, a few also occur on the pattas, the pillars, and the walls.

Gacchas, pontiffs, friars, and monks

The inscriptions in several instances mention the 'gacchas' or sub-orders of monks and friars. In some cases they reveal the prominent association of a specific gaccha with a particular temple. One of the three surviving earliest inscriptions which, to all seeming, were related to the original Ādinātha temple, mentions 'Nannācārya-gaṇa' (A.D. 1031) (Insc. 1), the other two record 'Nannācārya-gaccha'

(A.D. 1054) (Insc. 2 and 3), the first one even naming Sarvvadeva sūri as the pontiff who consecrated the image in the 'Jinagrha' (probably of Jina Rsabha) at Ārāsana. It is likely, though not positively certain, that the pontiffs of this gaccha may have been responsible in consecrating not only the Jina images implied to be inside the subsidiary shrines, but also perhaps the principal sanctuary; and its monks may have been the spiritual guides of the śrāvakas who may have been the adherents to that gaccha. The Nannācārya-gaccha apparently was an off-shoot of the 'caityavāsī' (i.e. abbatial) Ukeśa-gaccha (which took its name after 'Ukeśa', present day Osiāñ) and had come into existence probably in the tenth century. The next interesting notice relates to the 'Vatapāla-gaccha', reported from a single inscription (A.D. 1092, in Santinatha i.e., originally the Adinatha temple, Insc. 45) and plausibly took its name after Vatapura, which very probably is the present day village of Vasantagadh, also known in the medieval times as Vatapura,² a village that lies some 35 miles to the northeast of Abu Road. The third, and the more ancient than the preceding two, was the Thārāpadra (variantly Thirāpadra)-gaccha, which had emanated from the line of monks from the abbot Vatesvara (mentioned in Chapter 1) who had established his headquarters in the ancient town of Thārāpadra in north-eastern Gujarat in c, early eighth century. The two earliest inscriptions and of the same year in the Pārśvanātha temple (A.D. 1105, Insc. 49, 50) mention this 'gaccha'. It is possible that the monks of the Thārāpadra-gaccha ecclesiastically were associated either in the founding or consecration of this temple. The pedestal inscription (No. 4) of the cult image in the mūlaprāsāda of the Mahāvīra temple (A.D. 1062) refers to a pontiff (name gone) of 'Rā...-gaccha' which may be read as 'Rāja-gaccha', a famous medieval order of friars.³ However, in subsequent inscriptions within this or the other four Jaina temples, this gaccha is not for once mentioned again.

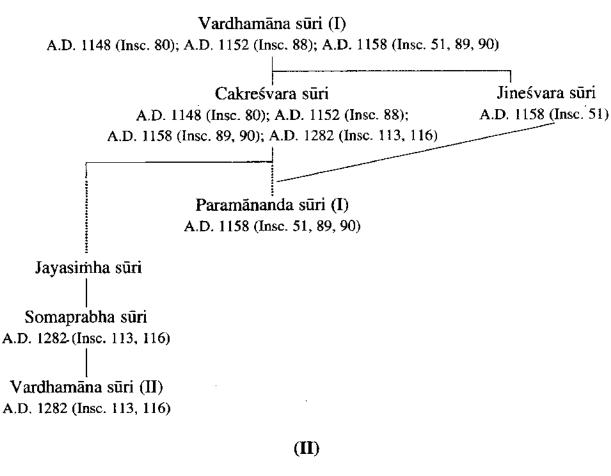
Turning to the Neminātha temple, it is known from the late medieval literary sources, earlier discussed (Chapter 5), that the illustrious Vādi Deva sūri of the Bṛhad-gaccha had officiated the consecration rites of this temple when founded by the tradesman Pāsila in c. A.D. 1135 or 1137. Now, it is clear from the predominance of the inscriptions involving the pontiffs of the Bṛhad-gaccha⁴ as priests consecrating images, devakulikās and other objects of worship within this temple that a large number of śrāvakas and the śrāvikās connected with the setting up of images etc., in this temple, predictably had their spiritual allegiance to the Bṛhad-gaccha. The hagiographies of the different groups of friars of the Bṛhad-gaccha related to differing decades are specified in the tables to follow. The exact relationships

between these groups of the same gaccha can be ascertained only after comparing the total available data from the other inscriptional and literary sources. The friars of this gaccha as culled out from the inscriptions are specified below:

The Hagiological Tables of the Pontiffs of Brhad-gaccha

(I)

(Śrīcandra / Bṛhad-gaccha)



Ajitadeva sūri

Vijayasimha sūri

A.D. 1148 (Insc. 81, 82); A.D. 1150 (Insc. 87); A.D. 1279 (Insc. 105)

Śrī Candra sūri

Vardhamāna sūri

A.D. 1279 (Insc. 105)

(III)

Buddhisāgara sūri A.D. 1149 (Insc. 83, 84) Abhayadeva süri A.D. 1149 (Insc. 83, 84); A.D. 1180 (Insc. 91); A.D. 1254 (Insc. 94, 95) Dhaneśvara sūri Jinabhadra sūri A.D. 1180 (Insc. 91) A.D. 1149 (Insc. 83, 84); A.D. 1180 (Insc. 91); A.D. 1254 (Insc. 94, 95) Śāntiprabha sūri A.D. 1254 (Insc. 94, 95); A.D. 1258 (Insc. 97, 98, 99) A.D. 1267 (Insc. 100) Ratnaprabha sūri (I) A.D. 1219 (Insc. 122); A.D. 1254 (Insc. 95); A.D. 1258 (Insc. 97, 98, 99); A.D. 1267 (Insc. 100); A.D. 1282 (Insc. 115) Haribhadra sūri A.D. 1254 (Insc. 94, 95); A.D. 1258 (Insc. 97, 98, 99); A.D. 1267 (Insc. 100) A.D. 1279 (Insc. 102, 103, 107, 109); A.D. 1282 (Insc. 115); A.D. 1287 (Insc. 117) Paramānanda sūri (II) A.D. 1254 (Insc. 94, 95, 96, 122); A.D. 1258 (Insc. 97, 98, 99); A.D. 1267 (Insc. 100); A.D. 1279 (Insc. 102, 103, 107, 108, 109); A.D. 1282 (Insc. 115, 122); A.D. 1287 (Insc. 117); A.D. 1295 (Insc. 123); A.D. 1299 (Cf. Insc. 124) Ratnaprabha sūri (II) A.D. 1254 (Insc. 96) Vīraprabha sūri A.D. 1295 (Insc. 123)

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(IV)

Vijayacandra sūri | | Bhāvadeva sūri

A.D. 1299 (Insc. 125); A.D. 1335 (Insc. 131)

There is also a notice each for the Pūrņīmā and the Maḍāhaḍa-gaccha: and, two for the Candra, and five for the Tapā-gaccha.

(V)

(Pūrņīma-gaccha)

(VI)

(Maḍāhaḍa-gaccha)

Cakreśvara sūri | | Somaprabha sūri | | Vardhamāna sūri | A.D. 1279 (Insc. 106)

(VII)

[Candra-gaccha]
|
Navāṅgavṛttikāra Abhayadeva sūri
|
Śrīcandra sūri

Undated (Insc. 119); A.D. 1288 (Insc. 121)

(VIII)

(Tapā-gaccha)

Bhaṭṭāraka Hīravijaya sūri

| Bhaṭṭāraka Vijayasena sūri
| Bhaṭṭāraka Vijayadeva sūri
| A.D. 1619 (Insc. 145, 146, 147, 148, 149)
| Paṇḍita Kuśalasāgara gaṇī
| A.D. 1619 (Insc. 146, 147, 148, 149)

The earliest inscription in the Neminātha caitya, A.D. 1135 (Insc. 79) mentions Vijayasimhācārya of Devācārya-gaccha. Probably, the Devācārya of 11th century, the pontiff of the Bṛhad-gaccha, may have been implied here.

And one inscription from the Neminātha temple, of A.D. 1330 (Insc. 128), mentions Jinabhadra sūri of the Rudrapallīya-gaccha. (This gaccha was an off-shoot of the Kharatara-gaccha.)

Several inscriptions mention the names of the pontiffs/friars who had consecrated the images, but no particulars are recorded in regard to their gacchas, and in most cases not even their hagiology is given.

- 1. An inscription of A.D. 1091 (Insc. 15) in the Mahāvīra temple names 'Mānatunga sūri' as the pontiff involved, but no other particulars are noted. Aside from the early or post-Gupta Mānatungācārya of the 'Bhaktāmara-stotra' fame, at least four other pontiffs bearing the same appellation are known but they all belong to the medieval period. Of these four, the earliest figuring in the encomium of a manuscript of the Yogaśāstra of Hemacandra—the encomium dated A.D. 1236—mentions Padmadeva sūri of Candra-gaccha whose sixth predecessor in the hagiological sequence is Mānatunga. Now, this Mānatunga's date on computation seems to fall in the bracket c. A.D. 1060-1100. Hence it is he who plausibly may be the one involved in Kumbhāriyā context.
- 2. The two A.D. 1120 epigraphs (Insc. 17 and 18) in the Mahāvīra temple name 'Padmadeva sūri'. Three other medieval pontiffs bearing the same name are known

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from literary sources; but they all are later than the one mentioned here. He thus cannot be identified with any one of them.

- 3. Kakudācārya is mentioned in two inscriptions bearing the same date A.D. 1150, one in the Mahāvīra temple (Insc. 86) and the other in the Neminātha temple (Insc. 85). He also had consecrated several Jina images in the Vimala-vasahī temple at Delvāḍā, Mt. Ābu, in A.D. 1146 but there, too, neither his gaccha nor gurvāvalī is noted. From one later inscription, however, he is known to have been connected with the Ukeśa-gaccha.
- 4. Devācārya, disciple of Nemicandrācārya, figures in an inscription of A.D. 1160 (Insc. 52) from Pārśvanātha temple. Perhaps he may be of Brhad-gaccha.
- 5. One 'Sāgaracandra gaṇi' figures in the inscription of A.D. 1203 (Insc. 92). At least five medieval pontiffs are known to bear that name and, one of them, had a disciple called Māṇikyacandra sūri who was a literary figure contemporary of the prime minister Vastupāla (active c. A.D. 1217-1240). Our Sāgaracandra, then, could be the same as the one who was from the Rāja-gaccha.
- 6. About 22 early 13th century inscriptions [Insc. 53, 54, 55, 56(?), 57(?), 58, 59, 60, 61(?), 62(?), 63, 64, 65(?), 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73(?), 74(?), 75] from the Pārśvanātha temple⁵ ranging in date from A.D. 1203 to 1220 and the one on the Aṣṭāpada in the Śāntinātha temple (Insc. 47) of A.D. 1210 mention one Dharmaghoṣa sūri. But his gaccha-affiliation is mentioned in none of these inscriptions, nor is there any allusion to his predecessors of his preceptorial line⁶. Nor can he be identified with any of the four or five medieval sūris bearing the same name.
- 7. One Jinacandra sūri figures in the record mentioning the consecration of an image in the Under-vasahikā in Pādaparā-grāma [A.D. 1219 (Insc. 122)] as stated in an inscription from the Neminātha caitya. His gaccha affiliation is unknown. He cannot be equated with any one of the four or five till now known sūris having that appellation.
- 8. An inscription of A.D. 1279 (Insc. 104) in the Neminātha temple refers to one Vinayaprabha without the qualifying term 'sūri'. Since an appellation such as this is known from the later branches of the Nāgendra-gaccha, perhaps he may have been a filiate of that gaccha.

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9. The name of one Devendra sūri, disciple of Kanakaprabha sūri, occurs in the inscription of A.D. 1282 (Insc. 112) from the Neminātha-caitya. Now, one Pradyumna sūri, disciple of Kaṇakaprabha sūri of Candra-gaccha, had rendered prèci of the Samarāditya-kathā (Prakrit) (c. A.D. 775) of Haribhadra sūri in A.D. 1260. It is likely that this Kanakaprabha sūri may have been the preceptor also of Devendra sūri of the Kumbhāriyā inscription.

- 10. Ratnākara sūri is involved in the consecration of a Jina image in the Neminātha caitya in A.D. 1338 (Insc. 132). One Ratnākara sūri of the first half of the 14th century and of the Bṛhad-Tapāgaccha is known. Perhaps, he is identical with the one mentioned in the Kumbhāriyā inscription. Alternatively, he may be of Brhad-gaccha proper.
- 11. One Hemaratna of an unknown gaccha figures in an inscription (No. 150) of A.D. 1473 in the Sambhavanātha temple.
- 12. The names of Hīravijaya sūri, his disciple Vijayasena sūri and his disciple Vijayadeva sūri with Pt. Kuśalasāgara gaņi occur in the inscription of A.D. 1619 in the Pārśvanātha temple (Insc. 146) as well as in three others of the same year in the Neminātha temple (Insc. 147, 148, 149). While one that omits the name of Pt. Kuśalasāgara that occurs in the Mahāvīra temple is, however, of the same date namely A.D. 1619 (Insc. 145).

Rulers

As earlier had been mentioned, royalty is not involved in building any temple in Kumbhāriyā. In seven cases their names are mentioned, but only as contemporary ruling figures.

1. Bhīma bhūpa (Bhīmadeva I)

An inscription of A.D. 1031 (Insc. 1) in the Śāntinātha temple mentions him. He can be confidently identified with Caulukya Bhīmadeva I (A.D. 1022-1066) of Anahillapattana.

Kumārapāladeva

Two inscriptions dated A.D. 1150—one in the Neminātha temple and the other in the Mahāvīra temple (Insc. 85, 86)—mention that, at the behest of (ājñyā) Kumārapāladeva, Kakudācārya (of Ukeśa-gaccha) consecrated the two Jina images.

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Inscription 86 qualifies him as 'Mahārājādhirāja'! These two inscriptions are crucial in that they are the earliest notices on this great monarch's patronage to Jainism.

3. Dhārāvarşadeva

This Paramāra chief of the Candrāvatī principality is mentioned in three inscriptions, two of A.D. 1203 (Insc. 54, 60), another of A.D. 1220 (Insc. 73) and in one more of A.D. 1203, but only inferentially (Insc. 63).

4. Bhīmadeva (II)

Caulukya monarch Bhīmadeva II's name is mentioned with his titles in an inscription of A.D. 1207 (Insc. 140).

5. Mahipāladeva

'Raja śrī Mahipāladeva' who was, according to the Nābhinandanajinoddhāraprabandha (A.D. 1337) of Kakka sūri of Ukeśa gaccha, the chieftain of Trisangamaka (Trisangamapura) in A.D. 1313, is mentioned in an inscription here of A.D. 1275 (Insc. 143). The particulars on the dynasty to which he belonged are not known. He must have been a long-lived chief.

6. Vīsaladeva

Vīsaladeva of 'mahārājakula' ruling from Candrāvatī is referred to in the inscription of A.D. 1290 (Insc. 144).

7. Akbar

The Mughal emperor Akbar is referred to in the context of Hīravijaya sūri receiving the 'biruda' of 'jagadguru' from him in the inscription of A.D. 1619 (Insc. 147, 149). The great sūri's disciple Vijayasena sūri's disciple Vijayadeva sūri figures there as a consecrating priest.

8. Jahāmgīr (Djahāngīr)

Emperor Akbar's successor Jahārngīr is mentioned in the inscription of A.D. 1619 (Insc. 149).

High officials

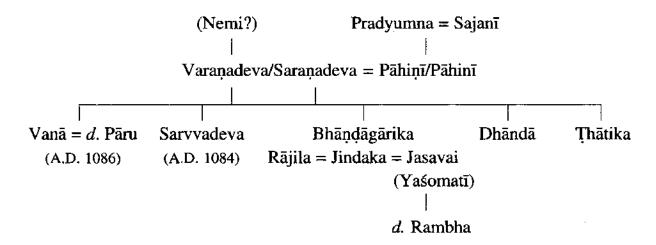
A few inscriptions reveal the names of personages apparently occupying high positions who were involved in the setting up of Jina images and in a few cases other objects of worship. These persons, however, are not known from other

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sources—literary or epigraphical—nor is there clarity in most instances on the question of the particular political state they served. They will be introduced here in chronological order.

1. Bhāndāgārika Jindaka

Bhāṇḍāgārika or treasurer Jindaka's name is reported from four inscriptions in the Mahāvīra temple, namely one of S.1140/A.D. 1084 (Insc. 5), and three of S.1142/A.D. 1086 (Insc. 7, 8, 9) from which it can be inferred that the members of the family were actively involved in setting up the images of Yugādideva (Jina Rṣabha), Jina Sambhavanātha, Jina Abhinandana, and Jina Supārśvanātha (each one supposedly to be in an individual devakulikā or a devakulikā-khattaka). The following is the family tree that can be constructed from the inscriptional data:



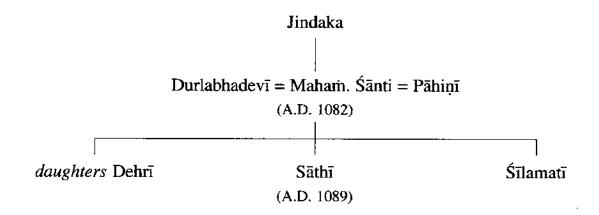
Jindaka had two wives, Rājila and Jasavai. From the order of the Jinas' names that can be traced from the inscriptions, it is hinted that the family may originally have set up the images of those beginning from the first (Jina Ḥṣabha) to the seventh, Supārśvanātha, even when inscription of S.1140/A.D. 1084 (Insc. 6) is too fragmentary (intended perhaps to refer to the second tīrthaṅkara Ajitanātha?) and two more which, by inference, may have been for Padmaprabha the fifth Jina and Sumati-nātha the sixth Jina are missing. Seemingly, it is this family which initiated the programme of the installation of images in the subsidiary shrines in the Mahāvīra temple soon after A.D. 1080.

2. Mahattama Sā(Śā)nti

An inscription of A.D. 1082 (Insc. 23) in the Śāntinātha temple mentions one 'Jindaka' as the father of mahattama $S\bar{a}(S\bar{a})$ nti. It is not clear whether this Jindaka is

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the same as the 'bhāndagārika Jindaka' noted in the foregoing. (In any case, there is no qualifier 'Maham.' for Jindaka.) Another inscription, of A.D. 1089 (Insc. 36), gives further details of that family on the basis of which his short family tree can be worked out as under:



3. Yaśonāga mahattama

An inscription of A.D. 1091 (Insc. 15) in the Mahāvīra temple refers to him as of Naḍḍula (Nāḍol) where, at the Cāhamāna court, he assumably may have occupied a ministerial office.

4. Maham. Risideva

His name appears in the inscription of A.D. 1148 (Insc. 80) in the Neminātha temple.

5. Maham, Varadeva

His name occurs in two image-epigraphs of A.D. 1158 (Insc. 89, 90), again in the Neminātha temple.

6. Maham. Bahaḍā(ka)

He is mentioned in two inscriptions dated S.1259/A.D. 1203 (Insc. 57, 60). He may have been a minister of the Paramāra chief Dhārāvarṣadeva of Candrāvatī.

7. Mahāmātya Āmbāka

The inscription of A.D. 1207 (Insc. 140) in the group of sundry donative records mentions this dignitary who apparently was the minister at the Caulukya court.

8. Maham. Yī(Vī?)ra

His name occurs in a sundry record (Insc. 142) of A.D. 1257.

Maham. Jhānjhana: Maham. Vijayasimha

They, too, are mentioned in one of the sundry inscriptions (No. 143) of A.D. 1275.

10. Maham. Yasodeva

He figures in the inscription of A.D. 1279 (Insc. 104) in the Neminātha caitya.

11. Maham. Jhānjhana: Maham. Jagas

The names of these two brothers figure in the inscription of A.D. 1282 (No. 112) in the Neminātha temple.

12. Maham. Vīra

He figures in the sundry inscription (No. 144) dated A.D. 1290.

13. Maham, Cācā: Maham, Madana

Maham. Madana is mentioned as Maham. Cācā's son in an inscription of A.D. 1299 (No. 125) in the Neminātha temple.

14. Maham. Līmba

He is mentioned in Inscription 128 of A.D. 1330.

15. Maham. Pūjā

An inscription (No. 134) of S. 1526/A.D. 1470 from the Neminātha temple mentions Maham. Pūjā. From the appellation, the concerned individual may have been a lady belonging to an office-bearing household.

Cities, Towns, and Villages

The inscriptions are important in one other way as well. They mention contemporaneous towns/villages from which the donors of the image (or in a few cases their ancestors) hailed. The information is tabulated below:

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Old Placename	Modern Placename	Insc. No.	Date	Location of Insc.
Aņahilapāṭaka	Pāṭaṇ	140	A.D. 1207	Stray inscription
Caḍḍāvali	Candrāvatī	13	A.D. 1089	Mahāvīra temple
"	71	44	A.D. 1092	Śāntinātha temple
Candrāvatī	,,	110	A.D. 1279	Neminātha temple
27	,,	144	A.D. 1290	Stray inscription
Huḍāpadra (Haṇḍaudra)	Haṇādrā	16	A.D. 1091	Mahāvīra temple
Naḍḍula	Nāḍol	15	A.D. 1091	,, ,,
Nāhāṇākara	Nāṇā ?	101	A.D. 1271	Neminātha temple
Nītoḍaka	Nītoḍā	83	A.D. 1149	** 37
Nandigrāma	Nāndiyā	89	A.D. 1158	,, ,,
***	",	90	A.D. 1158	59 99
Pattana	Pāṭaṇ	134	A.D. 1470	> >
Pādaparāgrāma	Pādarā ?	122	A.D. 1219	",
Роșарига	(?)	103	A.D. 1279	21 27
Posīnāgrāma	Pośinā	122	A.D. 1289	** **
Posīnā	**	123	A.D. 1295	>> >1
Posīnā	,,	129	A.D. 1333	? ? },
Rohiḍā	Rohiḍā	130	A.D. 1333	. 99 91
Vaṭatīrtha	Vațapura ?	80	A.D. 1148	29 99

Several of these towns are located around Mt. Ābu, while Naḍḍula is situated to the northeast of Mt. Ābu in Rajasthan and Pośinā in north Gujarat within the Iḍar territory. 'Pattana' of course, was Aṇahillapāṭaka, the then capital of Gujarat.

Castes and Communities

Several inscriptions mention the castes of the 'vanika' or bania communities to which the śrāvakas and śrāvikās—laymen and women followers—who had set up the images etc., in the temples. The earliest, and the only one, of A.D. 1091 (Insc. 15), refers to the 'Dharkkaṭa-variśa', a caste of tradesmen which had originated in Rajasthan and in a small number eventually had settled also in Gujarat.7 In most cases, in the Solańkī period beginning from A.D. 1091 (Insc. 16) to A.D. 1333 (Insc. 126, 128, 129, 130), it was the Prāgvāṭa-variśa which exclusively figures, reported as it is in all in 37 inscriptions. Next, a single inscription of A.D. 1470 (Insc. 134), mentions 'Gurjara jñāti'; while four dated A.D. 1619 (Insc. 145, 146, 147, 149), refer the kārāpakas to 'Ukeśa (Osvāla)' community and only one of the same date, to Śrīmāla-jñāti (Insc. 148).

Temple Components

A few inscriptions incidentally refer to a few architectural terms relating to the major components of the temples. Aside from such general terms as the Jinagrha, ālaya, Jinabhavana, caitya, mandira etc., for the temple proper, there are instances where specific components/adjuncts of the temple are mentioned. For instance, the 'rangamaṇḍapa' of the Neminātha temple is referred to in the inscription of A.D. 1219 (Insc. 122). The same inscription refers to 'dāḍhādhara', seemingly a mason's colloquial term, possibly for column with lintel, for 'dhara' stands for a pillar. An inscription in the Neminātha temple, of A.D. 1254, refers to the construction of a 'stambha' in the temple's 'maṇḍapa' (Insc. 96). Two inscriptions—one of A.D. 1148 (Insc. 80) and the other of A.D. 1152 (Insc. 88)—refer to the 'mukhamaṇḍapa' of the Neminātha temple, the first one also to the 'khattaka' associated with the mukhamaṇḍapa (i.e., 'trika' bonded with the forewall of the closed hall).

An Inscription of A.D. 1125 (Insc. 19) from the Mahāvīra temple (originally from the main sanctuary of the Pārśvanātha temple) refers to the setting up of a toraṇa. An inscription on a parikara-toraṇa of A.D. 1231 (Insc. 76) in a devakulikā from the Pārśvanātha temple refers to the setting up of a toraṇa. Five inscriptions from the Neminātha temple refer to the 'devakulikā' sub-shrine: these are dated to A.D. 1279 and 1282 (Insc. 102, 109, 115, 116, 122). Two inscriptions from the Pārśvanātha temple, one of A.D. 1259 (Insc. 77) and the other with date lost (Insc. 78), also refer to devakulikā.

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As for symbolic representations including pattas, several references are there which are tabulated below:

Object	Date	Placement	Insc. No.
Aśvapratibodha	A.D. 1282 ?	Neminātha temple	114
Aśvāvabodha-samalikā-vihāra-paṭṭa	A.D. 1282	» »	113
Aṣṭāpada tīrtha with Samavasaraṇa	A.D. 1210	In a special devakulikā, Śāntinātha temple	47
Aṣṭāpada tīrtha	A.D. 1310	Neminätha temple	126
Kalyāṇatraya	A.D. 1287	79 77	118
Kalyāṇatraya	Undated	27 27	119
Kalyāṇatraya	A.D. 1288	29 29	120
Nandīśvara paţţa	A.D. 1267	In the khattaka of the mukhamaṇḍapa, Neminātha temple	100
Sammetaśikhara tīrtha	A.D. 1289	Neminātha temple	122
Sattarisayabimba (Saptatiśatabimba)	A.D. 1254	17 >7	95
Sattarīsayayantraka (Saptatišatayantraka)	A.D. 1254	27 29	94
Saptatiśata tīrtha	A.D. 1254	. 22 22	122

Annotations

- 1. See Śrī. Ārāsaņa Tīrtha apara nāma Śrī. Kumbhāriyājī Tīrtha, Śrī Yaśovijaya Jaina Granthamāļā, Bhāvnagar 1961.
- **2.** For discussion and identification *cf.*, "Vasantagaḍha-nī Vāstu-racanão ane Hṛṣikeśa-nuñ Vaiṣṇavāyatana," (Guj.), *Svādhyāya*, Vol. 7, No. 3, V.S. 2026 (A.D. 1970), pp. 248-256.
- 3. See Madhusūdan Dhāñkī and Hariśankar Prabhāśankar Śāstrī, "Ārāsaṇa-nā be Jaina pratimā lekho-nī višeṣa vācanā," (Guj.), Svādhyāya, Vol. 8, No. 2, V.S. 2027 (A.D. 1971), pp. 189-198.
- 4. See in this Chapter the relevant inscriptions which are several in number and which give the hagiology of the many pontiffs involved in the Neminātha temple in consecrating the images, paṭṭas etcetera.

- 5. See in this Chapter the relevant inscriptions appended in the sequel.
- 6. The dates for this sūri figuring in the inscriptions cannot be referred to any of the five or six sūris bearing the appellation 'Dharmaghoṣa.'
- 7. Minister Śāntu of Karņadeva (A.D. 1066-1095) who had also been in that office in the early decades of Jayasimha Siddharāja (A.D. 1095-1144) belonged to the Dharkkaṭa caste. The earliest reference of A.D. 923 occurs in an inscription from Rājorgaḍh (Pāranagar). (See Archaeological Survey of India, Annual Report on Indian Epigraphy for 1961-62, Appendix B, Insc. 128, p. 58.

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(१)	(1)
ॐ श्रीमद्विक्रमभूभृत: स्वँरवँसुव्योमेंदुंसंख्याख्यया	
ख्यातेऽब्दे प्रवरे सुसौख्यमवति श्री भीमभूपै र्भुवं ।	
नन्नाचार्यगणस्य भूषणकरे स्वारासणस्थानके बिंबं पुज्यमकारि सुरिभिरिदं श्री सर्वदेवा भिधै: ॥१॥	
अंकतः १०८७ आषाढ सुदि २ ॥	
(२)	(2)
ॐ संवत् १११० वैशाष सु० ५ आगसनस्थाने श्रीनन्नाचार्य-	
गच्छे सहदेवसुतेन शलभ(?)श्रावकेन संभवप्रतिमा मोक्षार्थं कारिता ॥	
(ξ)	(3)
संवत् १११० वैशाष	
तयसंख्ये श्रीविक्रमाद् वत्सरे याते ।	
श्रीनन्नाचार्यसद्गच्छे आससनजिनगृहे ॥१॥	
अत्यंतोदारदानादिधर्मार्जनहेतुना ।	
सकलार्थसोहिजोत्तमः	
यथार्थां पुण्यतः प्राप्य नायकाख्यां च सोऽकरोत् ।	
अभिनन्दनजिनं लोकनिभनंदकं ॥३॥	
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(4)	(5)
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(६)	(6)
संवत् ११४० चैत्र वदि रवौ सुश्रेष्ठिनेमि वरेण्यपुत्रेण।।	

(7) (v) 35 श्री । संवत् ११४२ **प्रद्यम्न-सजनिस्**तया वरणदेवभार्यया **जिंदुकभांडागारिक**जनन्या पाहिणिश्राविकया शिवसुखसंभ[व]निमित्तं श्रीसंभवनाथप्रतिमा कारिता ॥ (८) (8)35 श्री । संवत् ११४२ वरणदेव-पाहिणिसुतया पारु वना भार्यया जज्जदेवादिजनन्या जिनदेवीश्राविकया सकल्प्रैलोक्याभिनंदनश्रीमदभिनंदनजिनप्रतिमा मोक्षार्थं कारिता ॥ **(**9) (9) ॐ श्री । संवत् ११४२ जिंदक हा भा० राजिल द्वितीयभार्यया रंभजनन्या जसवइश्राविकया धर्मार्थं श्रीसुपार्श्वजिनप्रतिमा कारिता ॥ (10)(१o) संवत् ११४२, श्रीवच्छस्(स्)संपूर्णापुत्रो धनदेव-नानाकः । श्रेष्ठिजसवङ्गृहिणी श्रीवच्छस्तज्(युत:) सारनयवित्त: ॥१॥ श्रीमन्नेमिजिनेश्वररुचिरप्रतिमां च कारयामास । नेयनार्ब्धिरुद्रैवर्षे फाल्गुनसुदि सप्तमी रविणा(?) ॥२॥ (11)(88) संवत् ११४४......। (१२) (12)ॐ । संवत् ११४५ ज्येष्ठ वदि ८ रवौ । (13)(**ξ3**) संवत् ११४५ श्रीचड्डावलीवास्तव्ययशः श्रेष्ठिनाजिणिपुतः दुर्लभ-लक्ष्म्योः पुत्रवीरुकः यस्य दुलहीभार्या जयसिरि तदीयपुत्रा: अनंतिजनप्रतिमा **आरासनाकरसंघचैत्ये** मुक्तये कारिता माघ वदि ६ बृहस्पतिदिने प्रतिष्ठिता ॥ (14)(88) संवत् ११४६, आसीत् प्राग्वायन्वयपूर्णाभार्या गुणशीलसंपूर्णा । तत्पुत्रो धनदेवस्तदीयभार्या यशोमतिस्तनयोः(यः) ॥ समभूत्रहिवदेवीजनिसालिनपुत्र....।।

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जासडी(?) भार्यया युक्तो धर्कटवंसो(जो)द्भवश्च सः ॥१॥
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आरासनाकरस्थाने संघचैत्ये सुधीकृते ।
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(१६)
                                                                                             (16)
ॐ । संवत् ११४७,
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प्राग्वाटवंशसद्भूतो थोल्लकाख्यो महाधर: ॥१॥
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.....सुलोचना ॥३॥
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(१७)
                                                                                             (17)
ॐ। संवत् ११७६ मार्गशीर्ष सुदि १० बृहस्पतिदिने राजलश्राविकया श्रीअजितनाथस्वामि-
प्रतिमा मुक्त्यर्थं कारिता श्रीपद्मदेवसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठिता जासिगपुत्र नानुयपुत्र्याः साहाय्येन ॥
(१८)
                                                                                             (18)
संवत् ११७६ मार्गशीर्ष शुदि १० बृहस्पतिदिने राजलश्राविकया जासिगपुत्र
नानुयपुत्रीसाहाय्येन श्रीशांतिनाथप्रतिमा कारिता श्रीपदादेवस्रिभि: प्रतिष्ठिता ॥
(१९)
                                                                                             (19)
संवत् ११८१ कार्तिक सुदि १५ सु(शु)क्रदिने श्रीपारस्व(श्री)नाश्रदेवस्य
सांबा षेढा स्ना(श्रा)वकेन तोरणं कारापितं ॥
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ॐ । संवत् १२२३ माघ शुदि ११ गुरौ श्रेष्ठिनेमिभार्या मोहिनिसुतश्रीया वीरदेव श्रीयाभार्या पुंनदेवी सुतजसङ्क ॥ वीरदेवभार्या धणदेवीसुत पासिलभार्या जासुसुत कुलिचंद्र ॥

इत्यं(ति) श्रीजसङ्भार्या पोइणिसुत छाहड सेहड द्वितीयभार्या सामणसुत सावदेव अभयकुमार सेहडभार्या सुषमतीसुत सिवदेव बहुदेव सलखणप्रभृतिश्रेयोर्थं ॥

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संवत् ११३८ माघ सुदि १३, जनन्योर्मुक्तये भक्त्या श्रीसुवर्ण......॥

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संवत् ११३८,

वीरको वीरनाथस्य प्रतिमामतिसुंदरां ।वनदेवा-णांगजः ॥

(23)

संवत् ११३८,

निःश्रेयसाय जनकस्य जिदं(?)कस्य महत्तमः । सांतिः कारयामास शांतिनाथस्य प्रति[मा]कृतिं ॥१॥

(78) (24)

सं० ११३८,

सहदेवसुतो धीमान् नेदिस्थो मुक्तये जिनं । चंद्रप्रभमचीरकरत् मातृ-पत्नी-सुतैर्युतः ॥१॥

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ॐ संवत् ११३८ माघ सुदि १३, वर्द्धमानस्य मोक्षार्थं धनदेवेन कारिता । प्रतिमा नेमिनाथस्य त्रिदसे(शे)श्वरपूजिता ॥१॥

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ॐ संवत् ११३८''''''श्रीपार्श्वनाथप्रतिमा कारिता ।

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(२७)	(27)
ॐ संवत् ११३८ ब्रह्मजसना सुतेन आम्रदेवेन मुक्तच।।	
(२८)	(28)
ॐ संवत् ११३८ पूहदेव-मिद्कासुतेन सहदेव-श्रावकेन सुविधिजिनप्रतिकृतिः कारिता ॥	
(२९)	(29)
ॐ संवत् ११३८ देदक-धाइणिसुतेन सोमदेवसहोदरयुतेन सहरीकेन (?) श्री॥	
(0\$)	(30)
श्री ॐ संवत् ११३८ वीरक-सलहिकासुतेन देवांगसहोदरयुतेन जासकश्रावकेन विमलजिनप्रतिमा मुक्त्यर्थं कारिता ॥ श्री: ॥	
(9\$)	(31)
ॐ ॥ संवत् ११३८ धांग (?) ब्रह्मभदेवीसुतेन वीरकश्रावकेन श्रेयांसजिनप्रतिमा कारिता ॥	
(37)	(32)
🕉 ॥ संवत् ११३८ सोमदेवसहोदरेण सुंदरीसुतेन शीतलजिनप्रतिमा कारिता ॥	
(₹₹)	(33)
ॐ ॥ संवत् ११३८ पहदेवमंडकासुतेन सहदेवश्रावकेन सुविधिजिनप्रतिकृतिः कारिता ॥	
(38)	(34)
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प्रतिमायु।	
(३५)	(35)
प्राग्वाटवंशसद्भूत[:]श्रावको नाम पाहड: ।	
भार्या वसुवती तस्य सा गता च सुरालयं ॥१॥ मुनिसुव्रतदेवस्य पाहडेन सु(२ा)भालयं ।	
मुनिसुव्रतद्वस्य पाहडन सु(२१)भालय । तद्धिते कारितं बिंबं संधीरणस्य सुतस्य च ॥२॥	
संवत् ११४५ वैशाख वदि १ स(श)नौ ॥	
(3६)	(36)
संवत् ११४५ वैशाख वदि १ स(श)नौ,	
प्राग्वाटान्वयसंजातः सांतिनाम महत्तमः ।	
भार्याद्वयमभूत् तस्य दुर्लभदेवी पाहिणिः ॥१॥	
सुता च देहरी तस्य साथी सीलमति स्तथा ।	
प्रतिमां कारयामास धनदेव्या च संयुत: ॥२॥	

(३७) संवत् ११४५ वैशाष वदि १ स(श)नौ, [?आसीत्] प्राग्वाटसद्वंशे आहमौ(?) नाम नैगजः । सां(शां)तकरोस्य संजातो भक्तः सर्वज्ञसा(शा)सने ॥१॥ पुन्या(पुण्या)र्थं पितुस्तेन शांतकेन महात्मना ।	(37)
अजितनाथदेवस्य प्रतिमेयं प्रकारिता ॥२॥ (३८) संवत् ११४५ वैशाष वदि १ स(श)नौ, आसीत् प्राग्वाटसद्वंसे(शे) श्रावको नाम सिंटकः । पोनकस्तस्य संजातो विख्यातो धरणीतले ॥१॥ ऋषभनाथदेवस्य प्रतिमेयं मनो।	(38)
पितुः तत्पुण्यहेतवे ॥२॥ (३९) लाच्छिश्राविकया कारितः ॥	(39)
(४०) संवत् ११४५ वैशाष वद १ स(श)नौ धनदेवस्य सत्पत्नी जासिका मुक्तिमिच्छति । कारयामास सद्बिंबं आदिदेवस्य धीमती ॥१॥	(40)
(४१) संवत् ११४६ माघ सुदि ६ सज्जनपरमश्रावकेन मुक्त्यर्थं पद्मप्रभजिनप्रतिमा कारिता ।	(41)
(४२) ॐ ॥ संवत् ११४६ ज्येष्ठ सुदि ९ शुक्रे पूरणदेवभोलिकासुनेन पोहडिश्रावकेन भ्रातृवीरकसंयुतेन श्रीवीरजिनप्रतिमा कारिता ॥	(42)
(४३) ॐ ॥ संवत् ११४६ ज्येष्ठ सु० ९ पूर्णदेवभोलिकासुतेन पोहरिश्रावकेन भ्रातृवीरकसंयुतेन श्रीवीर्राजनप्रतिमा कारिता ॥	(43)
(४४) संवत् ११४८ आषाढ सु० ७ बुधे, श्री चडुावल्लया बृहत्चैत्ये आसीद् जासडगोष्टिक: । पुत्रद्वयमभूत् तस्य अजितो(त:) पोचिरथस्तथा ॥१॥ तदवंस्ये(श्ये) समुत्पत्रै: सज्जन-नेमिकुमार-सर्व्वदेव-	(44)
जासक-दुर्लभैः प्रतिमा २ जिनं ॥	

	(६२)	(62)
	स्वस्ति श्रीविक्रमसंवत् १२५९ वर्षे आषाढ शुदि २ शनौ श्रे० गोहडसुत श्रे० श्रीकुमारस्य श्रेयसे तत्पुत्र श्रे० सज्जनेन श्रीसंभवनाथिबंबं कारापितं सूरिभिश्च प्रतिष्ठितं ॥	
	$(\epsilon \mathfrak{z})$	(63)
I	स्वस्तिश्रीविक्रमसंवत् १२५९ वर्षे आषाढ सुदि २ रानौ आरासणमंडले(लि)क शुरशंभु [:] श्रीकुमारसुत श्रीसज्जनेन स्वश्रेयोर्थं श्रीसुमितनाथिबंबं कारितं श्री धर्मधोषसूरि भि:॥	
	(£8)	(64)
	स्वस्तिश्रीविक्रमसंवत् १२५९ वर्षे आषाढसुदि २ शनौ बहुदेवपुत्र्याः श्रे० मणिभद्रसलक्षणायाः वासुपूज्यिबंबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री धर्मघोषसूरि भिः ॥	श्रेयोर्धं
	(६५)	(65)
	स्वस्तिश्रीविक्रमसंवत् १२५९ [वर्षे]आषाढ सुदि २ रानौ श्रेष्ठिगोहडसुत श्रेष्ठिकुमारस्य श्रेयसे तत्पुत्रश्रेष्ठिसञ्जनेन संभवनाथिबंबं कारितं [श्री धर्मधोष?]सूरि भिश्च प्रतिष्ठितं ॥	
	(६६)	(66)
	सं० १२६५ वर्षे वैशाख शुदि ७ सोमे श्रीसुमितनाथस्य [प्रतिमा] साजणेन कारिता ॥	
	(६७)	(67)
	सं० १२७६ माघ सुदि १३ खौ श्रे० आसधरेण पुत्रसिवदेव तत्पुत्र सोभदेवपुण्याय श्रीमहावीर्रावंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री धर्मघोषसूरि भि: ॥	
	(६८)	(68)
	सं० १२७६ माघ सुदि १३ खौ आसधरेण पुत्रमहीधरधांधलपुण्याय श्रीपार्श्वनाथिबंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री धर्मघोषसूरि भि: ॥	
	(६९)	(69)
	सं० १२७६ माघ शुदि १३ खौ श्रे० श्रीनेमिनाथबिंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं ॥	
	(%)	(70)
	सं० १२७६ माघ शुदि १३ रवौ श्रे० आसधरेण भार्या मांकुश्रेयसे श्रीनमिर्बिबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीध र्मधोषसूरि भि: ॥	
	(७१)	(71)
	सं० १२७६ माघ शुदि १३ खौ श्रे० सलषणसुत श्रे० आसधरेण आत्मश्रेयसे श्रीमनिसव्रतस्वामिबिबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री धर्मघोषसरि भिः ॥	

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सं० १२७६ माघ शुदि १३ रवौ श्रे० सलवणपुत्र श्रे० आसधरेण मातृरत्नीश्रेयसे श्रीमल्लीबिबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री**धर्मघोषसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(93) (73)$$

[सं०]१२७६ अ(आ)षाढ सुदि बीज (द्वितीया) रानौ आरासणे मांडिलकसुरशंभूः श्रीधारावर्षादेविवजय-(यि)राज्ये महं बृहत् ग....प्रान्त....अ....श्रीकुमारसुत श्रे० सज्जनेन स्वश्रेयसे श्रीमत्सुमितनाथिंबंबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीपदा(धर्म)घोषसूरिभि: । मंगलं महाश्री: ॥

$$(98) \tag{74}$$

[सं०]१२७६ वर्षे आषाढ सुदि बीज (द्वितीया) आसदेक्सुतपुनाकेन....प्रतिष्ठायाम्...... श्रीसुविधिनाथविबं कारापितं.......**सूरि**भिश्च प्रतिष्ठितं । मंगलं महाश्री: ॥

$$(94) \tag{75}$$

संवत् १२७६ महाग(माघ) शुदि तेरश (त्रयोदश्यां) रवौ श्रेष्ठिसलखणसुतश्रेष्टि(ष्ठि)आसधरेण माता(तृ)श्रेयसे श्रीमुनिसुव्रतिबंबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्री**धर्मघोषसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(9\xi) \tag{76}$$

सं० १२८७ वर्षे माघ शुदि १० बुधे श्रीनाभिनन्दनदेवस्य मातालक्ष्मीश्रेयोर्थं श्रे० सज्जनेन **तोरणं** कारितं॥

स० १३१५ ज्येष्ठ वदि ११ खो देवकुलिका कारिता ॥

$$(92) (78)$$

सं०....वैशाख सुदि १३ शुक्रे श्रे० देवचंद्रभार्या माल्हीपुत्र जयताक....श्रीधर्मनाथिबंबं आत्मश्रेयसे कारितं देवकुलिकासहितं ॥

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$$(99)$$

संवत् ११९१ वर्षे फालुग्न(ल्गुन) सुदि २ सोमे श्रीअग्ष्टिनेमि[:]प्रतिष्ठितो(त:) श्री **देवाचा(★)र्यगच्छे** श्री**विजयसिंहाचार्ये**न प्रतिष्ठा कृता जिनदेवगुरुभक्तान(नां) भक्तेन सकलगोष्ठीसु(षु) स्थायित्ये(त्वे)न छेहडेन ब्यं(बिं)बं कृतं सुतो(त:) श्री............दुझ्हं सुतेन पुत्रदेव्योदरो...

(There is another inscription bearing the same date but is completely mutilated.)

(60)

संवत् १२०४ फागुन विद ११ कुजे श्रीप्राग्वाटवंशीय श्रे० सहदेवपुत्र वटतीर्थवास्तव्यमहं रिसिदेवश्रावकेन स्विपितृव्यसुतभ्रातृ उद्धरण स्वभ्रातृ सरणदेवसुतपूता रिसिदेव(★)भार्या मोहीसुत शुभंकर शालिग बाहड क्रमेण तत्पुत्र धवल घूचू पारसपुत्रपुत्रीप्रभृतिस्वकुटुंबसमेतेन आरासनाकरे श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये मुखमंडपखत्तके श्री(★)शांतिनाथिबंबं आत्मश्रेयसे कारितं ॥ श्रीचंद्रबृहद्गच्छे श्रीवर्धमानसूरीयै: श्रीसंविग्नविहारिभि: प्रतिष्ठितिमिदं बिंबं श्रीचक्रेशरसूरिभि: ॥

संवत् १२०४ ज्येष्ठ सुदि ९ मंगलदिने श्रे० सहजिगसुतेन उद्धा परमश्रावकेण निजानुजभोदा भागिनेय मुमा भगिनी लोली प्रभृति स्वकुटुंब(★)समन्वितेन निजकलत्र सलक्षणश्रेयोनिमित्तं श्रीपार्श्वजिनिबंबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीअजितदेवसूरिशिष्यै: श्रीविजयसिंहसूरिभि: ॥

$$(\zeta\zeta) \tag{82}$$

संवत् १२०४ ज्येष्ठ सुदि ९ मंगलवारे श्रे० पूनासुतेन धाइय परमश्रावकेण निजपुत्र दादूसमिन्वतेन बृहद्श्रातृवोसरिश्रावकस्य कल्याणपरं(★)परानिमित्तं आत्मश्रेयार्थं च श्रीशांतिनाथ प्रतिमा कारापिता । प्रतिष्ठिता श्री**अजितदेवसूरि**शिष्यै: श्रीमद्**विजयसिंहसू**रिपृज्यपादैरिति ॥

$$(83)$$

35 ॥ संवत् १२०५ ज्येष्ठ शुदौ ९ भौमे **नीतोडक**वास्तव्य **प्राग्वाटवंश**समुद्भव श्रे० ब्रह्माकसत्क सत्पुत्रेण देवचं(★)द्रेण अंबा वीर तनुजसमन्वितेन श्रेयोमालानिमित्तं आत्मनः श्रीयुगादिदेवप्रतिमा कारिता श्री**बृहद्गच्छे** (★) मेरुकल्पतरुकल्पपूज्यश्री**बुद्धिसागरसूरि**विनेयानां श्रीअभयदेवसूरीणां शिष्यैः श्रीजिनभद्धसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठितं ॥

संवत् १२०५ ज्येष्ठ शुदा ९ भौमे **प्राग्वाटवंश**ज श्रे० नींबकसुत श्रे० सोहिकासत्क सत्पुत्र श्रीवच्छेन श्रीधर निजानुजसिहतेन (★)स्वकीयसामंततनूजानुगतेन स्वजननी जेइकाश्रेयसे आत्मकल्याणपरंपराकृतये च अन्येषां चात्मीयबन्धूनां भाग्यहे (?)(★) निवहनिमित्तं श्रीमन्नेमिजिनराजचैत्ये श्रीपार्श्वनाथिबंवं कारापितं श्रीबृहद्गच्छगगनांगणसोमसमानपू(★)ज्यपादसुगृहीतनामधेयश्रीबुद्धिसागरसूरिविनेयानां श्रीअभयदेवसूरीणां शिष्यै: श्रीजिनभदसूरिभि: प्रतिष्ठितं ॥

$$(\zeta \zeta)$$
 (85)

सं० १२०६ कार्तिक वदि ६ **आरासणे** श्री**कुमारपालदेवा**ज्ञया श्री**सं(★)घादेशेन** श्री**ककुदाचार्यै:** श्रीपार्श्वनाथिंबं प्रतिष्ठितं ॥

(Similar inscription, date lost, is in the Mahāvīra temple as well) संवत् [१२०६] कार्तिक वदि......भौमे आरासणाकरे महाराजाधिराजश्रीकुमारपालदेवाज्ञया महं० श्रीसंघादेशेन श्रीककुदाचार्यै: श्रीमहावीरप्रतिमा प्रतिष्ठिता ॥

$$(69)$$

संवत् १२०६ ज्येष्ठ सुदि ९ मंगलदिने श्रे० सहजिगसुतेन उद्घापरमश्रावकेण निजानुजभोदा भागिनेयममा भगिनी लोलीप्रभृतिस्वकुटुंब (★) समन्वितेन निजकलन्नसलक्षणश्रेयोनिमित्तं श्रीपार्श्वजिन्निबंबं कारापितं । प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीअजितदेवसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीविजयसिंहसूरिभिः ॥

$$(22) \tag{88}$$

ॐ । संवत् १२०८ फागुण सुदि १० खौ श्री**बृहद्गच्छीयसं**विज्ञविहारी(रि)श्री**वर्धमानसूरि**शिष्यैः श्रीचक्रेश्वरसूरि(★)िभः प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटवंशीय श्रे० पूर्तिग सुत श्रे० पाहडेन वीरकं भा० देझली भार्या पुत्र यशदेव पूल्हण पासू पौत्र(★) पार्श्ववधादिमानुषैश्च समेतेन आत्मश्रेयसे आरासनाकरे श्रीनेिमनाथचैत्यमुखमंडपे श्रीने(★)िमनाथिबंबं कारितं इति मंगलं महाश्रीः ॥

संवत् १२१४ फागुन वदि ७ शुक्रवारे श्री**बृहद्गच्छो**द्भवसंविग्नविहारिश्रीवर्धमानसूरीयश्रीचक्रेश्वरमूरिशिष्य.......श्री परमानंदसूरिसमेतै:......प्रतिष्ठितं ॥ तथा पुरा नंदिग्रामवास्तव्यप्राग्वाटवंशोद्भव महं० वरदेव तत्सुत वनुयतत्सुत बाहड तत्सुत.......तद्भार्या दुल्हेवीसुतेन आरासनाकरिस्थितेन श्रे० कुलचंद्रेण भ्रातृ रावण वीरूय पुत्र घोसल पोहडि भ्रातृव्य बुहा० चंद्रादि । तथा पुनापुत्र पाहड (?) वीरा पाहडपुत्र जसदेव पूल्हण पासू तत्पुत्र पारस पासदेव शोभनदेव जगदेवादि वीरापुत्र छाहड आमदेवादि सूमासुत साजन तत्पुत्र प्रभृति गोत्रस्वजनसंतुकं फु(?) पुनदेव साबदेवादि दूल्हेवि राजी सलखणी वाल्हेवि आपी रतनी फूदी सिरी साती रूपिण देविसिरि प्रभृतिकुटुंबसमेतेन श्रेयोर्थं श्रीआरिष्टनेमिचैत्ये श्रीसुपार्श्वजनिबंबिद कारापितिमत ॥ (A second identical but fragmentary inscription on the pedestal of the standing Jina image had also been noted in the past.)

$$(90)$$

संवत् १२१४ फागुण वदि ७ शुक्रवारे श्री**वृहद्गच्छोद्**भवसंविग्नविहारिश्री**वर्धमानसूरी**यश्रीचक्रेश्वरसूरिशिष्यशीपरमानंदसूरिसमेतै:प्रतिष्ठितं । तथा पुरा नंदिग्रामवास्तव्यप्राग्वाटवंशोद्धवमहं० वरदेव तत्सुत वनुय तत्सुत बाहड तत्सुत..........तद्भार्या दुल्हेवीसुतेन आरासनाकरिस्थितेन श्रे० कुलचंद्रेण भ्रातृ रावण वीरूयपुत्र घोसल पोहडि भ्रातृव्य बुहा० चन्द्रादि । तथा पुनापुत्र पाहड(?) वीरा पाहडपुत्र जसदेव पुल्हण पासू तत्पुत्र पारस पासदेव शोभनदेव जगदेवादि वीरापुत्र छाहड आमदेवादि सूमासुत साजन तत्पुत्रप्रभृति गोत्रस्वजनसंतुकं फु(?) पुनदेव सावदेवादिदुल्हेवि राजी सलखणी वाल्हेवि आपी रतनी फूदी सिरी साती रूपिणि देविसिरि प्रभृतिकुटुंबसमेतेन श्रेयोर्थं श्रीआरिष्टनेमिचैत्ये श्रीपार्श्वजनिबंबं कारापितिमिति ॥

$$(91)$$

संवत् १२३६ वर्षे फागुण विद ३ गुरौ श्रे० वोसिर सुत वरश्रावक आसदेवस्य स्विपितुः श्रेयोर्थं लिंबदेवआस....पार्श्वनाथिबंबं कारितं **बृहद्गच्छीय**श्री**अभयदेवसूरि**विनेय श्री**जिनभद्रसूरि**श्री**धनेश्वरसूरिभिः** श्रीधृतिप्रदं प्रतिष्ठितं मंगलं महाश्रीः ॥ Inscriptions 121

$$(92)$$

संवत् १२५९ वर्षे आषाढ सुदि २ शनौ श्रे० यश:पालपुत्रेण पार्श्वचंद्रेण आत्मश्रेयोर्थ(★) पार्श्वनाथप्रतिमा कारिता प्रतिष्ठिता वा० **सागरचंद्रगणि**ना मंगलं महाश्री: ॥

$$(93)$$

ॐ । संवत् १३१० वर्षे वैशाख वदि ३......थिखदेव भार्या कडूपुत्र देवकु(★)मार-भार्या......द्वि० पुत्र जसा भार्या पात्देव.......श्रेयोर्थं बिंबं कारितं ।।

$$(94)$$

संवत् १३१० सत्तरीसययंत्रक(कं)बृहद्गच्छी[य]श्रीअभयदेवसूरिशिष्यश्रीजिनभद्रसूरि-श्रीशांतिप्रभसूरिशिष्य श्रीहरिभद्रसूरिशिष्यपरमानंदसूरिभि: प्रतिष्ठितं ॥

35 । संवत् १३१० वर्षे चैत्र विद २ सोमे प्राग्वाटान्वय श्रे० छाहडभार्या वीरीपुत्र श्रे० ब्रह्मदेवभार्या लषिमिणि भ्रातृ श्रे० सरणदेवभार्या सूहवपुत्र श्रे० वीरचंद्रभार्या सुषिमिणि भ्रातृ श्रे० पासडभार्या पद्मिरि भ्रातृ श्रे० आंबडभार्या अभयसिरि भ्रातृ श्रे० राम्बण १ पूनाभार्या सोहगपुत्र आसपालभार्या विस्तिणिपुत्र बीजापुत्र महणसीहपुत्र जयतापुत्र कर्मसीहपुत्र अरसीह लूणसीभार्या हीरूपुत्र पुनासिहतेन श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये श्रीसत्तरिसयिंबबान् कारापितः ॥ वृहद्गच्छीयश्रीअभयदेवसूरिस(शि)ष्यः श्रीजिनभदसूरिस(शि)ष्यः श्रीशांतिप्रभसूरिस(शि)ष्यः श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरिस(शि)ष्यः श्रीरतिष्ठतं ॥ श्रुभं भवतु श्रीसंघस्य । कारापकस्य देवगुरुप्रसादात् ॥

$$(96)$$

ॐ ॥ संवत् १३१० वर्षे वैशाख विद ५ गुरौ **प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय** श्रे० बील्हणमातृ(★) रूपिणिश्रेयोर्थं सुतआसपालेन सीधपाल पद्मसीहसहितेन निज(★) विभवानुसारेण आरासणे नगरे श्रीआरिष्टनेमिमंडपे श्रीचंद्रगच्छी(★)यश्रीपरमाणंदसूरि शिष्य श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरीणामुप्देशेन स्तंभः कारितः ॥

3ँ । सं० १३१४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि सोमे आरासनाकरे श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये बृहद्गच्छीय श्रीशांतिप्रभशिष्यैः श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरिपट्टे श्रीहरिभद्रसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटान्वये श्रे० माणिभद्रभार्या माऊ पु० थिरदेव धामङभार्या कुमारदेविसुत आसचंद्र बा० मोहिणि चाहिणि, सीतू द्वि० भार्या लखमिणी पुत्र कुमरसीहभार्या लाडीपुत्र कडुआ पु० कर्मिणि जगसीहभार्या सहजू पु० आसिणि बाइ आल्हणिकुटुंबसमुदायेन श्रे० कुमारसीह-जगसीहाभ्यां पितृ-मातृश्रेयोर्थं श्रीआदिनाथर्बिबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं च मंगलमस्तु श्रमणसंघस्य कारापकस्य च ॥ शुभमस्तु ॥

$$(98)$$

ॐ ॥ संवत् १३१४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि २ सोमे आरासनाकरे श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये कृहद्गच्छीय श्रीशांतिप्रभसूरिशिष्य श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरिशिष्य श्रीहरिभद्रसूरिशिष्य श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभि:प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटान्वय श्रे॰ माणिभद्रभार्या माऊपुत्र थिरदेव धामड थिरदेवभार्या रूपिणि पुत्र वीरचंद्र भार्या वाल्ही सु॰ वीदाभार्या सहजूसुत वीरपालभार्या रिल्णिसुत आसपाल बाइ पूनिणि सुषमिणि भ्रा॰ श्रे॰ आदाभार्या आसमित पुत्र अमृतसीहभार्या राजल लघुभ्रातृ अभयसीह भार्या सोल्हू द्वि॰ वील्हूपुत्र भीमसीह खीमसीह पु॰ रयण फू॰ अमलबाइ वयजू चांदू श्रे॰ आदासुत अभयसीहेन पितृमातृश्रेयोर्थं आदिनाथजिनयुगलिबंबं कारितं ॥ मंगलमस्तु श्रीश्रमणसंघस्य कारापकस्य च ॥

$$(99)$$

संवत् १३१४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ शुदि बीज (द्वितीया) सोमे आरासणा श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये **बृहद्गच्छीय** श्रीशांतिसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरि-श्रीहरिभद्रसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभिः पट्टे प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटान्वय श्रे॰ माणि...... देवभार्यारूपिणिपुत्रवीरभद्रभार्या विहिन सुविदाभार्या सहजू सुतवी.......रत्ननीणि सुपदिमिणि भा॰(भ्रा॰) श्रे॰ चा(चां)दाभार्या आसमतीपुत्र अमृतसा भार्या राजल लघुभ्रातृ अ.......तांगसिंहश्रेयोर्थं अजितनाथजिनयुगल......

$$(200)$$

ॐ ॥ संवत् १३२३ वर्षे माघराक्लषष्ठयां ६ प्राग्वाटवंशोद्भविनिजसद्गुरुपदपद्मार्चनप्रणामरिसकः श्रे॰ माणिभद्रभार्या माऊ (★)सुत थिरदेव-निव्यूढसर्वज्ञपदाब्जसेवः श्रे॰ धामडः भार्या सच्छीलगुणाद्यलंकरणैर्निरव-द्याद्या कुमरदेवि पु॰ आसचंद्र मोहिणी चाहिणि (★) सीतू द्वि॰ भार्या लाडी पु॰ कर्मणि द्वि॰ जगिसहः तद्भार्या प्र॰ सहजू द्वि॰ अनुपमा सु॰ पूर्णिसहः सुहडादेवि बा॰ माल्हणि समस्तकुटुंबसिहताभ्यां आरासनाकरसरोवर राजहंससमानश्रीमन्नोमिजिनभुवने विमलशारित्रशाकराभ्यां श्रे॰ (★) कुमारिसह-जयिसहाभ्यां स्वदोर्दण्डोपात्तवित्तेन शिवाय लेखितशासनिमव श्रीनंदीश्वरवः कारितः ॥ तथा द्रव्यव्ययात् कृतमहामहोत्सव-प्रतिष्ठायां समागता-नेकग्रामनगरसंघसिहतेन श्रीचंद्दगच्छगगनांगणभूषणपार्वणशरच्चंद्रसित्रभपूज्य (★) पदपद्मश्रीशांतिष्रभसूरिविनेय श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरितिच्छिष्यविद्वच्चक्र[क्र]चूडामणि श्रीहरिभदसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठितः । मंगलमस्तु समस्तसंघस्य कारापकस्य च ॥

$$(\mathfrak{dog}) \tag{101}$$

संवत् १३२७ वैशाख सुदि बीज (द्वितीया) सोमे श्रीनाहाणाकरवास्तव्य श्रे० वीरचंद श्रीपार्श्वनाथर्बिबं......

$$(\mathfrak{d} \circ \mathfrak{d}) \tag{102}$$

ॐ । सं० १३३५ माघ शुदिः शुक्रे प्राग्वाटज्ञा० श्रे० सोमाभार्या माल्हणिपुत्राः वयर श्रे० अजयसिंह छाडा सोढा भार्या वस्तिणि राज(★)ल छाडु धांधलदेवि सुहडादेविपुत्र वरदेव झांझण आसा कडुया गुणपाल पेथाप्रभृतिसमस्तकुटुंबसहिताभ्यां छा(★)डा-सोढाभ्यां पितृ-मातृ-भ्रात-अजाश्रेयोर्थं श्रीअजितस्वामिर्विबं देवकुलिकासहितं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं बृह० श्रीहरिभद्रसूरिशिष्टैः परमानंदसूरिभिः ॥ शुभं भवतु ॥

$$(\mathfrak{f} \circ \mathfrak{F}) \tag{103}$$

ॐ । संवत् १३३५ मार्ग वदि १३ सोमे **पोषपु**रवास्तव्य **प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय**ठक्कर श्रीदेवसावडसंतानीय श्रे० सोमाभार्या जयतुपुत्र सादाभार्या लखमीपुत्र सालिगभार्या (★) कडूपुत्र खिताभार्या लूणोदेवीसिहतेन सुपार्श्वीबंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **बृहद्गच्छीय** श्री**हरिभद्दसूरि**शिष्ट्यै: श्रीपरमानन्दसूरिभि: श्रेष्ठिसोमासुत प्रा० छाडाकेन कारापितं ॥

$$(908) \tag{104}$$

सं० १३३५ माघ सु० १३ शुक्रे **प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय** श्रे० श्रीधरभार्या सोहिणिपुत्र गांगदेवेन भार्याश्रीमितसमिन्वतेन महं० भ्रातृ (★) यशोदेवपुत्र लूणधवल तत्पुत्र केल्हणसिंहप्रभृतिकुटुम्बयुतेन श्रीपार्श्वनाथिंब कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं च विनयप्रभेण ।

$$(\mathfrak{d})$$

संवत् १३३५ वर्षे माघ सुदि १३ शुक्रे श्रे० अभइभार्या अभयसिरिपुत्र कुलचंद्रभार्या ललतुपुत्र बूट्यभार्या सरसर तथा सुमणभार्या सीतूपुत्र सोहड नयणसी लूंण(★)सीह खेतसीह सोढलप्रमुखकुटुंबसमुदायेन श्रीऋषभिंबंबं पित्रो: श्रेयोर्थं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **बृहद्गच्छ**श्री**विजयसिंहसूरि**संताने श्रीश्रीचन्द्रसूरिशिष्यै: श्रीवद्धमानसूरिभि: ॥

3ँ । संवत् १३३५ वर्षे माह सुदि १३ शुक्रे प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय श्रे॰ आमिगसंताने तु॰ श्रे॰ आसदेवभार्या सहजु तत्पुत्राः आसपाल धरिणग ऊदा तु॰ आसपालभार्या आसिणि तत्पुत्र नोडसीह-हिरपालौ धरिणगभार्या धांधलदेवि द्वि॰ चांपल ऊदाभार्यापालहू इत्यादिकुटुंबसिहतेन तु॰ आसपालेन पितृमातृश्रेयसे श्रीआदिनाथिंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीमडाहडगच्छे श्रीचक्रेश्वरसूरिसंताने श्रीसोमप्रभसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीवर्द्धमानसूरिभिः ॥

संवत् १३३५ माघ सुदि १३ शुक्रे **प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय** श्रे० गोसलसुत साजणभार्या पद्मु तत्पुत्रिकया खेतुश्राविकया स्वश्रेयोर्थं श्रीचंद्रप्रभस्वामिबिबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **बृह०** श्री**हरिभद्रसूरि**शिष्यै: श्री**परमाणंदसूरि**भि:॥

संवत् १३३५ वर्षे माघ शुदि १३ शुक्रे प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय श्रे० वयजाभार्या-लूड तत्पु भार्यया अनुपमश्राविकया स्वश्रेयोर्थं मुनिसुव्रतस्वामिबिबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं बृह**ः** श्रीपरमाणंदसूरिभि: ॥

ॐ ॥ सं[०] १३३५ माघ शुदि १३ शुक्रे **प्राग्वाटज्ञा०** श्रे० सोमाभार्या माल्हणपुत्राः वयर श्रे० अजयसिंह छाडा सोडाभार्या वस्तिणिराज(★)ल छाबू धांधलदेवि सुहडादेविपुत्र वरदेव झांझण आसा कडुया गुणपाल पेथा प्रभृति समस्त कुटुंबसिहताभ्यां छा(★)डा-सोढाभ्यां पितृमातृश्रातृअजाश्रेयो[थँ] श्रीअजितस्वामिबिबं देवकुलिकासिहतं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **बह०** श्रीहरिभदस्रिशिष्यैः परमानंदस्रिभिः ॥ शुभं भवतु ॥

$$(११0) \tag{110}$$

संवत् १३३५ वर्षे माघ सुदि १३ **चंद्रावत्यां** जालणभार्याभार्यामोहिनीसुत सोहड भ्रातृसांगाकेन आत्मश्रेयोर्थं श्रीशांतिनाथिंबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं च श्री**वर्द्धमानसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(22) \tag{111}$$

संवत् १३३६ वर्षे आसदेवसुत श्रे० आसलेन आसलपुत्र लींबजी तत्सुत सोम जगसीह धव^{***}प्रभृतिभि: कुटुंबसमुदायेन श्रे० सोमाकेन का० प्र० श्री**सोमप्रभसूरिशिष्यश्रीवर्द्धमानसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(997) \tag{112}$$

संवत् १३३८ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ शुदि १४ शुक्रे बृ० श्रीकनकप्रभसूरिशष्यैः श्रीदेवेंद्रसूरिभिः श्रीचन्द्रप्रभस्वामिबिबं प्रतिष्ठितं प्रा(★)ग्वाटज्ञातीय श्रे० शुभंकरभार्या संतोसपुत्र श्रे० पूर्णदेव पासदेवभार्या धनिसिरिपुत्र श्रे० कुमरिसंहभार्या सील्हूपुत्र महं झांझणानुजमहं० (★) जगस तथा श्रे० पासदेवभार्या पद्मसिरिपुत्र श्रे० बूटा श्रे० लूगा इति महं झांझणपुत्र काल्हू महं जगसभार्या रूपिणिपुत्र कडूया वयजल अभयसिंह (★) पु० नागल जासल देवलप्रभृतिकृदंबसमन्वितेन महं जगसाखे(ख्ये)न मानु-पिनु-भ्रानुश्रेयोर्थं बिंबं कारितं ॥

$$(113)$$

सं० १३३८ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि १४ रुक्ने श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये संविज्ञविहारिश्रीचक्रेश्वरसूरिसंताने श्रीजयसिंहसूरिशिष्यश्रीसोमप्रभसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीवर्धमानसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठितं । आरसण(णा)करवास्तव्य(★) प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय श्रे० गोनासंताने श्रे० आमिगभार्या रतनीपुत्रतुल्हारि आसदेव भ्रा० पासड तत्पुत्र सिरिपाल तथा आसदेवभार्या सहजू पुत्र तु० आसपालेन भा० धरणि.....सीत्त सिरिमित तथा(★) आसपालभार्या आसिणिपुत्र लिंबदेव हरिपाल तथा धरणिगभार्या......उदाभार्या पाल्हणदेविप्रभृतिकुटुंबसिंहतेन श्रीमुनिसुव्रतस्वामिबिंबं अश्वावबोधसमिलकाविहारतीथोंद्धारसिंहतं कारितं ॥ मंगलमहाश्रीः ॥

(On the above-noted 'pațța')

सिंघलद्वीपे श्रीसिंघलेश्वरसार्थपति जिनदास श्रीसुदर्शना राजा जितरात्रु अश्वप्रतिबोध श्रीमुनिसुद्भतस्वामी ॥

$$(११4) \tag{115}$$

संवत् १३३८ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि १४ श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये बृहद्गच्छीयश्रीरत्नप्रभसूरिशिष्य श्रीहिरिभद्रसूरिशिष्यैः श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभिः प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय श्रे० शरणदेवभायां सुहडदेवी तत्पुत्र श्रीवीरचंद्रभायां सुषमिणीपुत्र पुनाभायां सोहगदेवी आंबडभायां अभयसिरिपुत्र बीजा खेता गवणभायां हीरूपुत्र बोडिसिहभायां जयतलदेवी प्रभृतिस्वकुटुंबसिहतैः रावणपुत्रैः स्वकीयसर्वजनानां श्रेयोऽर्थं श्रीवासुपूज्य[देवं] देवकुल्कितासिहतं प्रतिष्ठापितं च ॥

$$(११\xi) \tag{116}$$

संवत् १३३८ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि १४ शुक्रे **बृहद्गच्छीय** श्री**चक्रेश्वरसू**रिसंताने पूज्यश्री**सोमप्रभसूरि**शिष्यै: श्री**वर्द्धमानसूरि**भि: श्रीशांतिनाथिंबंबं प्रतिष्ठितं कारितं श्रेष्ठि आसलभार्या मंदोदरी तत्पुत्र श्रेष्ठिगलाभार्या शीलू तत्पुत्र मेहा तदनुजेन साहुखांखणेन निजकुटुंब श्रेयसे स्वकारित**देवकुलिका**यां स्थापितं च । मंगलं महाश्री: । भद्रमस्तु ॥

सं० १३४३ माघ शुदि १० शनौ बृ० श्रीहिरिभदसूरिशिष्यै: श्रीपरमानंदसूरिभि: प्रतिष्ठितं प्राग्वाटज्ञा० श्रे० माहिल्लपुत्र श्रे० थिरदेव श्रे० धामड थिरदेवभार्या माउ (★) पुत्र वीरचंद्र आद्यभार्या आसमितपुत्र श्रे० अभयिसंह भार्या सोढु द्वि० वील्ह[ण]पुत्र भीमिसंह खीमिसंह देवसिंह नरिसंह वील्हणपुत्रिका हीरल प्रथमपुत्र प (★)।िलिबिणिपुत्र जयतिसंह द्वि० पुत्र भार्या खेतलदेवि पु० रिणू तृती० भार्या देवसिरिपुत्र सामंतिसंह चतु० भार्या ना.... देवी पंचमभार्या विजयसिरिप्रभृतिकटुंबसिहतेन श्रीनेमिनाथिंब श्रीमदिष्ठिनेमिभवने आत्मश्रेयोर्थं श्रेष्ठिवीरचंद्रेन कारितं ॥

ॐ ॥ संवत् १३४३ वर्षे माघ शुदि १० शनौ **प्राग्वाटान्वय** श्रे० (★) छाहडसुत श्रे० देसलभार्या देल्ही तत्पुत्र लक्षमण [आ](★)सधर देवधर सिरधर मयधर । तथा सिरधरभार्या....(★) पुत्र जसदेव । द्वितीयपुत्रेण श्रे० गांगदेवेन भार्या....(★)....जाथी जयतू तत्पुत्र लूणधवल वाधू कपूरदेवि तत्पुत्र कल्हणसीहप्रभृतिकुटुंब-समुदाये सित आत्मना....(★) पितुः श्रेयोर्थं कल्याणत्रये श्रीअिश्वनेमिविबानि कारितानि । मंगलमस्तु समस्तसंघस्य । (★) श्रे० गांगदेवसुत ऊदलसुता लूणी भगिनि(नी) वयजू सहजू क-गउ....सित गांगीप्रभृति॥

कल्याणत्रये श्रीनेमिनाथिबंबानि प्रतिष्ठितानि नवांगवृत्तिकारश्रीमदभयदेवसूरिसंतानीयश्रीचंदसूरिभि: श्रे० सुमिग श्रे० वीरदेवश्रेष्ठिगुणदेवस्य भार्या जयतश्री साहुपुत्र वइरा पुना लुणा विक्रम खेता हरपित कर्मट राणा कर्मटपुत्र खीमसिंह तथा वीरदेवसुत अरसिंह प्रभृतिकुटुंबसिहतेन गांगदेवेन कारितानि.........

ॐ ॥ सवंत् १३४४ वर्षे आ(★)षाढ सुदि पूर्णिमायां । देवश्रीने(★)मिनाथचैत्ये श्रीकल्याणत्रयस्य पूजार्थं श्रे० सिरधर त(★)त्पुत्र श्रे० गांगदेवेन वीस(★)लप्रीयद्रमा(म्मा)णां १२० श्रीनेमिनाथदेवस्य भांडागारे निक्षि(★)प्तं । वृद्धफलभोग[ाय] मासं प्रति द्र(★)म ३ चटंति । पूजार्थं । आचंद्र(★)कालं यावत् । शुभं भवतु ॥ श्री ॥

$$(१२१) \tag{121}$$

ॐ । सं० १३४४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ शुदि १० बुधे श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये प्राग्वाटवंशोद्धवेन श्रे०देशलभायां देल्ही श्रे० लक्ष्मीधरभायां लक्ष्मिसिर श्रे० आसधर (★)भायां आसमित श्रे० देधर श्रे० सिरधरभायां सोहिणि श्रे० मयधरभायां उदयमित श्रे० सुमिराभायां साजिणि श्रे० गुणदेवभायां साल्हू (★) श्रे० गांगदेवभायां सिरमित श्रे० वीरदेवभायां विजयसिरिसुत अरिसिहभायां सोहगसुत वस्तपालभायां वउलिसिर तथा तेजपालभायां मीणलसुत भीमसीह वस्तपालसुत चाहडभायां लाछि सु० आल्हर्डसिंह ताल्हणसीह वस्तपालसुत उदयसिंहभायां कामल तृतीयसुत पद्मिह भा० (★) जला चतु० रत्नसींह पंचम समर्रसिंह माणिक समस्तकटुंबसमुदायेन श्रे० वस्तपालेन श्रीऋषभदेविबंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं नवांगवृत्तिकारश्रीअभयदेवसूरिसंताने श्रीश्रीचंद्रसूरिभि: ॥

$$(१२२) \tag{122}$$

35 ॥ प्राग्वाटवंशे श्रे० वाहडेन श्रीजिन (★)चन्द्रसूरिसदुपदेशेन पादपराग्रामे उं(★)देरवसिहकाचैत्यं श्रीमहावीरप्रतिमा(★) युतं कारितं । तत्पुत्रौ ब्रह्मदेव-शरणदेवौ । ब्रह्मदेवेन सं० १२७५ अत्रैव श्रीने(★)मिमंदिरे रंगमंडपे दाढाधरः कारितः ॥ (★) श्रीरत्नप्रभसूरिसदुपदेशेन । तदनुज श्रे० (★) सरणदेवभार्या सूहडदेवि तत्पुताः श्रे०(★) वीरभद्र पासड आंबड रावण । यैः श्रीपर(★)मानंदसूरीणामुपदशेन सप्तिशततीर्थं का(★)रितं ॥ सं० १३१० वर्षे । वीरचंद्रभार्या सुष्मिणि(★) पुत्र पुनाभार्या सोहगपुत्र लूणा झांझण । आं(★)बडपुत्र वीजा खेता । रावणभार्या हीरूपुत्र बो(★)डाभार्या कामलपुत्र कडुया द्वि० जयताभार्या मूंट(★)यापुत्र देवपाल कुमारपाल तृ० अरिसिंह ना(★)गउरदेविप्रभृतिकुटुबंसमन्वितैः श्रीपरमा(★)नंदसूरीणामुपदशेन सं० १३३८ श्रीवासुपूज्य(★)देवकुिक्कां । सं० १३४५ श्रीसमेतिशखर्(★)तीर्थे मुख्यप्रतिष्ठां महातीर्थयात्रां विधाप्या(★)त्मजन्म एवं पुण्यपरंपरया सफलीकृतः(तं)॥ (★) तदद्यापि पोसीनाग्रामे श्रीसंघेन पुज्यग्राम(मान?)(★)मस्ति ॥ शुभमस्तु श्रीश्रमणसंघप्रसादतः ॥

$$(१२३)$$

संवत् १३५१ वैशाष सुदि^{......}**पोसीनास्थानीय** कोष्ठा० श्रीवन्कुमारसुत कोष्ठा० आसल देल्हण भ्रातृ वाल्हेवीश्रेयोर्थं श्रीचंद्रप्रभस्वामि**बिबं** कारितं श्री**परमानंदसूरि**शिष्यै: श्री**वीरप्रभसूरि**भि: प्रतिष्ठितं मंगलं महाश्री: ॥

संवत् १३५५ वर्षे चैत्र शुदि १५ श्रे० गलाभाग्यां सीलू पुत्र० मेहा महबू केसा'''णभार्या खेतश्री आदिनाथर्बिबं कारापितं प्रतिष्ठितं सोमप्रभसूरिपट्टे श्रीवर्धमानसूरि...।।

(A fragmentary inscription of S.1355 on the 'Vis-viharamāna-Jina-patta' kept in the storage room of the Śāntinātha temple and consecrated by Paramānanda sūri, seemingly was connected with the Neminātha temple.)

सं० १३५५ वर्षे वैशाष सुदि १२ सोमे प्रा० साखा महं चाचाभार्या राणिपुत्र महं मदन भा० सलखणदेवपुत्रसहितेन भगिनीसंबलश्रेयसे पंचतीर्थसंयुतं श्रीपार्श्वनाथिंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीभावदेवसूरिभि: ॥ Inscriptions 127

 $(१7\xi) \tag{126}$

सं० १३६६ फागण शूदि १० गुरौ प्राग्वाटज्ञा[तीय]हदेव......[अष्टा]पदतीर्थ कारितं ॥

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सं० १३८२ वर्षे वैशाष सुदि ३ खौ ऊ० श्रे०.....आसपालपुत्र आल्हण पु० थिरपाल पु० श्रे० नागडभार्या साजणिसुत खीमाकेन कर्माभा...श्रेयसे आदिनाथिबंबं कारितं ॥

 $(976) \tag{128}$

संवत् १३८६ पौष वदि ५ बुधे **प्राग्वाट ज्ञा० महं० लींबा**सुत भीमसीह-अभयसीहाभ्यां पितृमातृश्रेयसे श्रीयुगादि(★)जिनबिंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **रुद्रपल्लीयश्रीजिनभदसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(१२९) \tag{129}$$

संवत् १३८९ वर्षे जे(ज्ये)ष्ठ विद ११ सोमिदने श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये सुसाध गुरु भ० वेदौ भार्या राजु श्रे० कर्मणभार्या नेजू: सुत डूडा: भार्या केल्हणदे हेसभभं(?)भवत: । प्राग्वाटज्ञातीय पोसीनावास्तव्यडूडाकेन मातृ-पिताश्रेयोर्थं श्रीनेमिश्वर्रिबंबं कारितं ॥

$$(230)$$

सं० १३८९ वर्षे जे(ज्ये)ष्ठ विद ११ सोमे श्रीप्राग्वाटज्ञातीयकर्मणभार्या धीरोसुत तेजा मातृ-पितृश्रेयोर्थं श्रीपार्श्वनाथिंबं कारितं श्रीसूरि(री)णामुपदेशेन । शुभं भवतु । रोहिडावास्तव्य ॥

$$(131)$$

सं० १३९१ वर्षे प्रा० श्रे० नागडभायां साऊपुत्र माकन भीमासमुदायेन श्रीशांतिना(★)थ-बिंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं **बृहद्गच्छीय**श्री**विजयचंद्रसूरि**पट्टे श्री**भावदेवसूरि**भि: ॥

$$(232)$$

सं० १३९४ वर्षे वैशाष सुदि ७ सोमे व्य० चकमभार्या हांसलदेविसुत श्रे० सामतभा(★)र्या बाडू सुत आसाकेन पितामहीश्रि(श्रे)योर्थं श्रीपार्श्वनाथिबंबं कारी(रि)तं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीरत्नाकरसूरिभि: ॥

$$(233)$$

ॐ ॥ अत्रैव **आरासन**वास्तव्य श्रे० छाडा पु० श्रे० वीरदेव वीरजस बोडा तत्र आद्यभार्या पत्ती पु० आसचंद्र: भार्या रूपी सु० लिंबा द्वि० पु० सोमा(★)भार्या कपूरदेवि तृ० सु० मेलिंग भा० हीरू सु० जयता चतुर्थसुता लषमिणि पंचमा पदीप्रमुखसमस्तमातृवर्गस्य एकैकप्रतिमा(★)पुण्यनिर्माणविभागः तस्यैकस्य मध्यात् श्रे० जयसिंहेन प्रदत्तः ॥

संवत् १५२६ वर्षे आषाढ वदि ९ सोमे श्री(★)पत्तनवास्तव्यगूज(र्ज)रज्ञातीय महं० पूजा(★) सुत सीधर[:] नित्यं प्रणमित ॥

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 $(१३4) \tag{135}$

सं० १३२५ वर्षे वैशाख शु ९ गुरु **प्राग्वटा (ग्वाट) ज्ञातीय** श्रे० पद्मशीकस्य य पद्म कुलपुत्र श्रे० रतनज कर्मासीह कुलज प्रहल्लादपुत्र २ मया....नड....पौ...य....॥ श्री **पूर्णिमापक्षीय** चउथशाषायां श्री**पद्मदेवसूरि** संतान श्री...**राज..सूरि** श्री...दासन श्री आदिनाथिबंबं कारितं श्रे०...हेन प्रतिष्ठितं **सूरि**भि: ॥

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संवत् ११५३ कार्तिक सुदि १४ श्री......आरासनाकरे श्रीसं[गमे]श्वरदेवे श्रीधर्म......दिशत सि....जिनजमूर्ति[:] कारिता ॥

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धरणीधर सुत सं० बूटा संगमेसरगति.....।।

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सं० ११८७ फाल्गुन वदि ४.....।।

 $(१३९) \tag{139}$

संवत् ११९५ वैशाख वदि ३......दिने ।

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ॐ स्वस्ति श्रीविक्रमसंवत् १२६३ वर्षे वैशाष व(★)दि..शनौ अद्येह श्रीम**दणहिलपाटके** समस्त(★)राजाविलसमलंकृतमहाराजाधिराजश्री**मद्भीमदेवकल्याणविजय**राज्ये तत्पादपद्योपजी(★)वी **महामात्य**श्री**आंबाके** प्रवर्त्तमाने मत्पाद (?)

 $(१४१) \tag{141}$

सं० १२८३ वर्षे मार्ग सुदि ३ भौमे.....॥

 $(888) \tag{142}$

संवत् १३१३ वर्षे चैत्र वदि १० सोमे अद्येह आरासणाकरे महं श्रीयीरश्चप्रतिपत्तौ ॥

$$(883)$$

ॐ संवत् १३३१ वर्षे आषाड सुदि १४ गुरौ अद्येह आरासणे रा(★)जश्रीमहिपालदेवेन आत्मीयिपतु-राजयस तथा मातु(★)बायी श्रीसंगारदेवि तथा पितामह प्रतीं श्री.......(★)पितामही प्रती श्रीसलषणदेवि तथा आत्मीया एवं पंचमूर्तीनां(★) आइ-नं....अलाविक्तिः श्रेवो॰ आल्हण उ॰सूदन तथा अ(★)वो॰ धीधासुतलाषाभ्यां पंचमूर्तिपूजापनार्थं छाडी प्रति धान्या (★)पाली १ तथा पा॰ गाडा प्रति लोहडीया २ एत तु पूजावणे दा(★)तव्यं तथा मूर्ति पंच॰ न्यैवेद्ये॰ दिनं प्रति चोषा पाली २ मुग पाली(★)१ घृतक सेर २ दीवेल पदे तेलकर सु॰ एततु दिन प्रति त्रां(★)बा मांडवी दातव्या जं कोइ-ली हुअइ तिहने बापदे द्र ५४(★)चतुपंचारात-त्रांबा मांडवी दातव्या महं झांझण महं वि(★)जयसीह.......व श्रे॰ साधूय श्रे॰ आसदेव श्रे॰ धामा(★.......नी जगसाप्रभृतिसमस्त महाजने(★) तथा......मासडा सामंत.... धीधल तां(★)ज॰ डांडा......धायै उपरि लिषितं आइदानं पा(★)लनीय.......हांते आचन्द्रार्कं यावतु पा(★)लनीयं च । मंगलं महाश्रीः ॥

संवत् १३४६ वर्षे फाल्गुन शुदि १ खौ अद्येह(★) श्रीचंद्रावत्यां महाराजकुल श्रीवीसलदेवकल्या(★)ण विजयराज्ये प्रति श्रीजगपालेन आरास(★)णे नियुक्त ठक्कुर सांगप्रभृतिपंचकुलप्रतिपत्तौ(★) कणमंडिपकायां व्याप्रियमाण महं० वीर टावा सि(★)रपाल लाढा आयपाल प्रती श्रीसोभितसुत श्रीश्री(★) जगपालेन आत्मीयमाता प्रती श्रीधांधलदेव्या श्रेयो(★)र्थं...........दानं मुक्तं(★) यं कोपि लोपयित स तस्य मातां गर्दभो (★)दयित । श्री:॥

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The Mahāvīra Temple

संवत् १६७५ वर्षे माघ शुद्ध ४ शनौ श्री**ऊकेशवंशीय वृद्धशाखीय** सा० अहियाभार्या तेजलदेसुत गावा भा० गोरदे(★)सुत सा० नानिआकेन भा० नामलदेसुत सोमजीयुतेन श्रीमहावीर्राबंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं च श्रीतपागच्छे भट्टास्कश्रीहीरविजयसूरी(★)श्वर पट्टप्रभाकर भ० श्रीविजयसेनसूरिपट्टालंकारभट्टारक-श्रीविजयदेवसूरिभि: ॥ श्रीआरासणनगरे ॥ वु० राजपालो दामेन ॥

The Pārśvanātha Temple

$$(१४\xi) \tag{146}$$

संवत् १६७५ वर्षे माघधवलेतर ४ शनौ श्रीओ((क)केशवंशीय वृद्धसण्जनीय सा० जगडुभार्या जमनादेसुत रहिआ भा० चांपलदे (★) सुत नानजाकेन भार्या नवरंगदेयुतेनात्मश्रेयोर्थं श्रीपार्श्वनाथिबंबं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं श्रीतपागच्छेश्वरभट्टारकश्रीहीरविजयसूरीश्वरपट्टोदय(★) दिनमणिभट्टारक श्रीविजयसेनसूरि पट्टालंकार भट्टारक श्रीविजयदेवसूरिभि: पं० कुशलसागरगणिप्रमुखपरिवारयुतै: ॥बु० राजपालो दामेन॥ 130 The Temples in Kumbhāriyā

The Neminātha Temple

संवत् १६७५ वर्षे माघ सुदि चतुर्थ्यां रानौ श्रीओ(क)केशज्ञातीय वृद्धसञ्जनीय श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये श्रीनेमिनाथवित्ये श्रीनेमिनाथवित्ये श्रीनेमिनाथवित्यं कार्तिः प्रतिष्ठितं सकलक्ष्मापालमंडलाखण्डलश्रीअकबरप्रदत्तजगद्गुरुबिरुदभद्वारक श्रीहीरिवजय-सूरीश्वरपट्टपूर्वाचलमात्तंडमंडलायमानभद्वारकश्रीविजयसेनसूरिशर्वरीसार्वभौमपट्टालंकारनीरधीश्वरसौभाग्यभाग्यादि गुणगणरंजितमहातपाबिरुदधारकभद्वारकश्रीविजयदेवसूरिभिः पंडितश्रीकुशलसागरगणिप्रमुखपरिवारसमन्वितैः बुहरा राजपालो शुभ० सफला० भवतीति शुभम् ॥

$$(148)$$

संवत् १६७५ वर्षे माघ वदि ४ शनौ श्रीमालज्ञातीयवृद्धशाखीय सा० रंगाभार्या कीलारी सुत लहुआ.....सुत पनीआ समरसुत हीरजी श्रीआदिनाथिववं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं तपागच्छे गुरुप्रभावक-भट्टारक श्रीविजयसेनसूरि पट्टालंकारभरतभूमिभामिनीशृंगारहारभट्टारक श्रीविजयदेवसूरिभिः पण्डितश्रीकशालसागरगणिप्रमुखपरिवारयुतैः ॥

$$(888) \tag{149}$$

संवत् १६७५ वर्षे माघ शुद्धचतुर्थ्यां शनौ श्रीऊकेशज्ञातीयवृद्धसण्जनीय सा वाच्छाकेन स्वश्रेयसे सफलीकृता द्विसहस्रसंख्यरूप्यनाणकवित्तं श्रीनेमिनाथचैत्ये श्रीनेमिनाथिववं कारितं प्रतिष्ठितं च विचारचनारंजितसकलक्ष्मापालमंडलाखंडलपातिसाहिश्रीअकब्बरप्रदत्तजगद्गुरुविरूदधारकभट्टारकश्रीहीरविजय-सूरीश्वरपट्ट[पूर्वा]चलमार्त्तंडमंडलायमानभट्टारकश्रीविजयसेनसूरिशर्वरी[श]सार्वभौमपट्टालंकारहारतिलकैः सौभाग्यभाग्यवैराग्यादिगुणगणरंजितपातिसाजहांगीरप्रदत्तमहातपाबिरूदधारकभट्टारकश्रीविजयदेवसूरिभिः पंडितश्रीकुशालसागरगणिप्रमुखपरिवारसमन्वितैः बुहरा राजपालो नमः सफला भवतीति शुभं ।

The Sambhavanātha Temple

(१५०)

संवत् १५२९ साह्य वर्षे श्रावणवदि ३ श्रीगणेश श्री श्री श्री हेमर त्नम

CHAPTER 8

Description of Plates

- 1. The general view of the Mahāvīra temple from the northwest shows the exterior beginning from the mukhamandapa or entry-hall, the girdle of conjoined devakulikās or subsidiary shrines including the western bhadraprāsāda at the hall's transept, the western entry-porch and the connected koṭa/prākāra or enclosing wall beginning where the row of shrines ends. The appearance of the ensemble is neither imposing nor appealing.
- 2. The overall view of the so-called Śāntinātha temple (Ādinātha Phase II) from northwest. Unlike the Mahāvīra temple, at the main entry passage, it shows a mukhacatuṣkī-porch instead of the mukhamaṇḍapa, the rest of the structure, though a little smaller in overall size, in disposition is similar to the Mahāvīra temple.
- 3. Another view of the Śāntinātha complex, now from southeast, shows the opening, sans porch, at its eastern aspect.
- 4. Pārśvanātha temple, from northwest. In terms of its plan and elevation, it essentially reminds of the preceding two buildings except for the balānakahall at the north-end which is provided also with an upper floor.
- 5. Even with its sikhara of a later date, the site's centrally located temple of Nemi-nātha with its storied balānaka, as viewed from the north, dominates the entire group of temples as well as the total panorama by its size and loftiness.
- 6. The east aspect of the Neminātha temple complex with its bhadraprāsāda which, despite large size, for its exterior is as austere as the preceding three temples. The crenellated parapet above some devakulikās is a later addition.
- 7. The profile view from east, of the so-called Sambhavanātha temple (originally Śāntinātha), the fifth and the least elaborate of the Jaina foundations at the site. Its internal arrangement of the halls is exposed to view because of the absence of shielding entourage of the devakulikās.

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8. The Kumbheśvara temple from southwest reveals that the building has suffered more at the hands of renovators than from the hammers of the iconoclastic invader.

The Ādinātha Temple (Phase I)

- **9.** The doorframe of the sanctum of the main shrine of the so-called Śāntinātha temple apparently is a reused relic of the preceding Ādinātha (Phase I) temple.
- 10. Gangā, standing, at her usual location, namely the pedyā or the lowest section of the central jamb of the selfsame doorframe (on-looker's left side), possesses suavity and poise typical of early 11th century sculptures. Gangā, and correspondingly at the contra-side, Yamunā figure at the doorway is a feature frequently encountered from the fifth to the ninth century but is seen only in relatively earlier medieval centuries, and thus their presence here upholds the suggested earlier date for the doorframe and hence the original temple.
- 11. The corresponding Yamunā figure betrays the same quality. It is sheltered under a lotus canopy of the western Indian medieval form noticeable in the tenth and 11th century.
- 12 Sanctum's same doorframe. The surging creeper crisply delineated in low
- & relief together with the powerfully rendered lotus petals carving on the
- 13. neighbouring bahirśākhā or external jamb is in style characteristically of early 11th century. The third, the antaraśākhā or innermost jamb is of the ratnaśākhā specification; it is thin and without the detailed ornamental enrichment.

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- 14. The Mahāvīra temple's well-formed śikhara of the mūlaprāsāda viewed together with the conventionally accurate samvaraṇā roof of the closed hall, as viewed from southeast, express the feeling of workmanship of the 11th century.
- 15. Back view, south, of the mūlaprāsāda or sanctuary proper of the Mahāvīra temple; its plain jaṅghā shows the medial and the upper grāsapaṭṭī as its sole ornamentation. The pratirathas are lean compared to the karnas. The

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bhadra-khattaka is crowned with a well-rendered staggered udgama. Above the daṇḍacchādya-awning, the rathikā displays niched Jinatraya. The śikhara has a clearly done jāla of the period.

- 16. This view of the sikhara of the mūlaprāsāda from southwest shows the samvaraṇā roof of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa together with that of the Samavasaraṇa-devakulikā situated to the right of the mūlaprāsāda.
- 17. The śikhara of the mūlaprāsāda and the partial view, now from west, of the sam-varaṇā of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa reveals another aspect of the rhythmic coördination of the two types of superstructures.
- **18.** The mūlaprāsāda, as seen from northwest, provides one more fine view of the handsome śikhara.
- 19. The closer view of the samvaraṇā of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa lucidly shows the minute details of its bell-constituents of progressively larger proportions—ghaṇṭikās, ghaṇṭās, and uraḥghaṇṭās—with clearly noticeable flutings of the bells and other details of its accessory components.
- 20. The mūlaprāsāda's, and partially also the gūḍhamaṇḍapa's lower section show-ing the pīṭha-base together also with the vedibandha above not noticeable in the preceding illustrations.
- 21. The nicely carved makara-pranāla at the east side, the snout of the makara, at some point in time, had been broken.
- 22. The gūḍhamaṇḍapa's Nābhicchanda or concentric vitāna, made up of the receding courses of gajatālu, kola etcetera, artistically is not of much consequence.
- 23. The left of the doorframe (spectator's viewpoint) inside the trika, north wall, has figures which hardly are in the period style or quality. The flanking wall-pilaster displays gandharvas in three superimposed panels topped by a panelled grāsamukha, an unusual occurrence. One of the two round pillarettes of the khattaka is also visible in this picture.
- 24. The upper part of the dvārabandha or doorframe with the carved figures in panels and countersunk panels showing Vidyādevīs, a mālādhara, a Yakṣa, etc. The central panelled figure sitting on bhadrāsana and with the royal parasol above represents the Jinamātā, Jina's mother, in this instance

Triśalādevī the mother of Arhat Vardhamāna Mahāvīra, an unusual presence. In the countersunk panel is Negameșa carrying baby Vardhamāna and the corresponding opposite panel possibly shows the Kṣetrapāla figure. The central panel below that of the Jina's mother is some Yakṣa. The whole doorframe artistically is a disappointing piece of work, its importance is exclusively iconographic and the presence there of the signifier-figures such as Negameṣa and Triśalādevī is indicative of the temple's dedication to Jina Mahāvīra.

- 25. The pītha or base of the trika has well chiselled as well as finely polished mouldings. Despite the absence of ornamentation (except for the top band bearing the file of grāsa-heads), the look is effective.
- 26. The conventional trio of the dado-mouldings—rājasena, vedikā, and the āsanapaṭṭa—forming the base of the trika, west side, shows good scroll work in the countersunk part set beside each miniature vase-and-foliage class of pilasters. The two niched panels contain the figures of Ambikā and Sarasvatī.
- 27. The corresponding dado-walling of the trika, east side, shows two other Yakṣīs. Their āyudha or emblems are not sufficiently distinct to allow their positive identification.
- 28. The trika as seen from the northeast of the rangamandapa reveals all of its components, namely the front porch containing steps and the foreword profusely carved pillars. The four relatively plain rear Miśraka pillars in a row which, while defining the lateral bays, also support a pair of illikā-toraṇas. A pair of khattaka-niches flanking the doorframe of the closed hall behind are also discernible in the picture. Altogether, the trika looks elegant and effective notwithstanding the relatively restrained decoration of the two columns of the rear row.
- 29. The snap taken from northwest similarly provides a glimpse of the view from the opposite direction. It likewise reflects chasteness in rendering of the lucidly disposed components.
- 30. The picture shows closer view of the two front pillars of the trika's porch. The quality of carving reflected here strangely anticipates what will be more characteristically noticed in the 12th century.

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This rectangular ceiling graces the trika's porch and thus is situated just above 31. the steps. The study of the Jaina temples' interiors discloses one singular fact that the choicest of the minor ceilings was reserved just for this location; and this instance is easily one of the finest of its class of that age in all of India, indeed wherever the ceilings form part of the temple hall-bays. Structurally, this ceiling is composite, combining as it does the 'ksipta' and the 'utksipta' elements in its make up that render it so arrestingly handsome. It is composite from other standpoint as well, for it judiciously combines the two decorative components, Padmaka and Nābhicchanda, in its composition. It thus becomes the 'Padmanābha' type according to the vāstu work Aparājitaprechā. The projecting or kṣipta lūmās emanating from its five Nābhicchanda sectors transmit a forceful impulse of the bursting life and vitality of the blooming lotuses. The ceiling looks like some formal pond teeming with stylized and geometricised lotuses overhanging upside down in the sky. (The staminal tubes of the lūmās have been largely redone in the 20th century, during the rather uncareful restoration.) The ceiling measures some 4'1" x 5'3" in size.

- 32. Same ceiling as viewed from below affords another glimpse of its very impressive and ingenious composition. The designer had drawn from the best of the compositional ideas from his guild's repertoire. (Or does it represent and reflect his own new conception?)
- 33. A pair of the Padmaka vitāna, showing a large dvi-kolaja lambana (pendant) in the centre, flanks the aforenoted Padmanābha vitāna. This vitāna is situated to the right side as one climbs the footsteps. The four vikarņas within show grāsa-heads and each of the lateral two strips (introduced here to ensure squarish field for the central part of the otherwise rectangular ceiling) has figural processions more clearly visible in the next illustration.
- 34. Same ceiling as viewed from below completely unravels its structural details. The petals of the central padmakesara are delicately rendered. One of the side strips defining the central part shows some narrative in which warriors, cavaliers, elephant-rider and a seated male dignitory participate. The opposite strip repeats a somewhat similar theme, but with a pair of confronting elephants in the middle situation.
- 35. The picture shows an ingeniously designed utkṣipta type of the Nābhicchanda vitāna. The four major, identical, outer kola-course complexes with three

receding courses of kola are arranged on a square plan. The cardinals leaving gaps are filled with small strips bearing vallīs with grāsa-head in the centre. The innermost deeply receding lūmā made up of three layered complete circles of kolas is framed at the corner by strips forming right angles and each displaying vallī and grāsa-head as in the upper cardinal strips.

- **36.** Same ceiling as is visible from below reveals the layout of its staggered layers more distinctly along with all the details of its graceful ornamentation and overall design.
- 37. A pair of identical Nābhicchanda ceilings flank the last-noted ceiling. It is contained within the two inset lateral strips which are here needed to annul the rectangularity of the total frame, leaving a perfect square field for the central Nābhicchanda element.
- **38.** The rangamandapa, as viewed from within the trika, with the interior of the mukhamandapa (its door closed) at the further end.
- **39.** The same view with a slightly forward position, the mukhamaṇḍapa's door in this instance open.
- 40. The four front pillars (north side) of the rangamandapa with the pattaśalacloister in the background. These slender Miśraka end-columns fully display the elegance of 'pure shapes' as Kramrisch would have seen them. They betray well-finished and judiciously proportioned facets.
- 41. The picture shows the complete view of the rangamandapa from southeast and reveals the rhythm of its columnar arrangement with the two rear columns shared by the porch of the trika.
- 42. The pair of the eastern bhadra-columns of the raṅgamaṇḍapa contains the only surviving āndola-toraṇa of the original four. The toraṇa has a nicer form compared to what is noticeable for the same type in the raṅgamaṇḍapa of the Vimala temple at Delvāḍā. Behind it, is seen the part of one of the Samatala ceilings of a series of seven that cover the space between the eastern wing of the paṭṭaśālā and raṅgamaṇḍapa's eastern row of columns.
- 43. A gandharva-minstrel playing a short drum (paṇava? muraja? mardala?) stationed as the figure is on the western jaṅghā-face of one of the central pair of columns belonging to the north side of the octagon.

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44. An octagonal belt containing eight panelled figures, largely surasundarīs, above the janghā section of the northern of the central pair of rangamanḍapa's front pillars. One of the figures, exhibiting an easy and elegant dvibhanga posture, one often meets within the examples of the 11th century.

- **45.** The soffit of one of the lintel of the rangamandapa displaying a thick petalled, heavy, but well-formed lotus.
- 46. The ūrmivallī or kalpavallī carving at the soffit of the southern extension of the central ceiling of the rangamaṇḍapa is one of the earliest of its kind in western India. Later, the entire ceiling, of the Samatala category and filled by this motif, offering a gorgeous view occurs in the trika of the Vimala-vasahī temple (Delvāḍā, A.D. 1145), Shaykh Farīd's tomb, Pāṭaṇ (early 14th century, now in Government Museum, Vaḍodarā), the Kharatara-vasahī, west porch, on Mt. Śatruñjaya (c. A.D. 1320), the Caturmukha Dharaṇa-vihāra in Rānakpura (c. A.D. 1450), and the Dium'a Masdiid at Cāmpāner (A.D. 1508).
- **47.** Identical theme, carved as a space-filler, occurs on the corresponding soffit, at the northern extension.
- **48.** The vikama-vitāna showing a large grāsamukha set in an asymmetrical triangular frame bearing a beautifully stylized vallī.
- 49. The central karoṭaka ceiling of the raṅgamaṇḍapa is one of the few earliest extant Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna.
- 50. The closer view of the same ceiling more discernibly reveals the four-whorled or catus-kola structure of the imposing central pendant growing from, and emerging out of the rippling bands of the surrounding, multiple, highly relieved kola elements is the only vitāna of its kind for the depth of the kolas and what is more, looks larger than its actual size.
- 51. The same vitāna as beheld above from the centre of the floor. It provides the full view of all successive layers and laminae of the standard set of ceiling-mouldings and associated decoration for the Sabhāmandāraka class of vitānas. The disposition of the staggering lobes of each of the multi-lobed kolas in each circular chain is unparalleled as the study of such vitānas in the extant temples and about two dozens or more, now forming the parts of the mosques in Ahmedabad, Khambhāta, Prabhāsa, Pātan, and other places.

52. The closer view of the central lambana looks like a highly stylized Lakṣmī-kamala, a huge flower of the species *Victoria regia*.

- 53. The vidyādhara-brackets inserted in the rūpakantha bear the well-carved figures of vidyādharas. Square marble cubical blocks bearing plain diamond design on their fronts are placed above them. If this insertion was a part of the original design, then it must be inferred that the conventional figures of the 16 Vidyādevīs were not intended to be included in the scheme. This is further supported by the absence of the series of 16 holes for receiving the upper tenons of the slabs bearing Vidyādevī figures.
- 54. One other pair of the vidyādhara-brackets which, however, bear the figures of gandharvas, one playing flute, the other drumming some type of percussion instrument like an elongated 'damaru'.
- 55. The pair of four-armed figures of the god Hari-Negamesa in the rūpakantha at the southern bhadra replaces the figures of vidyādharas/ gandharvas, as a special iconographic feature, a signifier indicative of the dedication of the temple to Jina Mahāvīra. When Mahāvīra transmigrated from heaven to earth for being born as human, he, by the dint of the particular accrued karma-latency (māna-kaṣāya or vanity) in one of his past existences as a human, descended into the womb of a brahmin lady of the Brāhmaņa-Kundagrāma, a borough of Vaiśālī, the capital of the Licchavī republic. Hari, that is Indra, sensing this as an anomaly in the happening of that particular event—for a tirthankara conventionally has to be born as a kṣatriya—sent Negameşa to correct it by transferring the embryo into the womb of Triśalā, wife of the kşatriya republican Siddhārtha of the Ksatriya-kundagrāma, another suburb of Vaiśāli. (This legendary episode is noted only in the agamas inherited by the Švetāmbara sect.)
- 56. The first of the seven ceilings of the Samatala class connecting the western paṭṭaśālā with the raṅgamaṇḍapa, Mahāvīra temple, depicts royal couples, intended to represent the parents of the past and the future 24 Jinas. The lower strip of each panel bears a short label inscription revealing the names of the figures involved. The ceiling is useful more for the Jaina history/mythology than for art proper.

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57. The second ceiling, in its central two rows placed one above the other, apparently bears the figures of 24 present Jinas' parents. The surrounding belts carry depiction of the five auspicious events in Arhat Pārśva's life, namely birth (preceded by 14 dreams that Jina's mother conventionally dreams), the lustral ceremony by Indra on Mt. Meru, renunciation, the *upasarga*-tormentation by Kamaṭhāsura and the Jina standing with the protective canopy of the king of the nāgas, Dharaṇendra, next attainment of enlightenment, preaching in the Samavasaraṇa, and salvation. The ceiling thus is interesting as a mythological narrative document.

- 58. The third ceiling is divided into three sectors, two square with a rectangular section in the middle, the one on the left depicts the life of Jina Ariṣṭanemi and central quadrant showing his Samavasaraṇa. The right hand side depicts the main details from the life of Jina Śāntinātha and likewise shows a centrally placed Samavasaraṇa motif. The middle section has a framed circular hole which has lost the filler element, possibly a kola course with a central padmakesara. The triple strips above and below show figures in various actions. The quadrants are defined by carved plain ratnapaṭṭikā with fine floral buckles.
- 59. This Samatala ceiling, in sequence the fourth, depicts the events of the life of Jina Mahāvīra beginning in the outer strip from the scene of the mother dreaming 14 auspicious dreams, followed by the transfer of embryo by Hari-Negameṣa, the lustral ceremony of the baby Jina by Indra, Jina's wedding ceremony etc. In the inner strip are the next events of his renunciation and his practicing of austerities, visitations of afflictions (upasarga) and his attainment of enlightenment. The central rectangle perhaps depicts scenes of worldly enjoyment and consequent sufferings in hell. A round framed part of the centre has a depression due to the loss of the filler which may have been a circular kola with padmakesara. The figures in the ceiling are in fairly good relief and the dramatic tableaux are largely identifiable. A few of the characters bear label inscriptions below their feet on the thin borders.
- 60. The fifth ceiling is composed more thoughtfully. The two outer strips and the innermost long and panelled rectangle are framed by thin plain ratnabandha almost regularly punctuated by floral buckles. The two outer strips show files of animals such as elephant, lion, boar, cavalier, and also bird figures, here and there interspersed with humans. The five square panels in the central

- sector show Vidyādevī/Yakṣī figures, the sixth rectangular showing an elephant (with a rider?).
- 61. The sixth ceiling is designed similar to the preceding instance excepting the inner rectangular bears four panels, the fourth one showing standing figure of Yakṣa or Kṣetrapāla, and there is a framed gaping hole, somewhat off the centre.
- 62. The seventh and the last ceiling in the row depicts in the two outer strips the events of Jina's life. The central unpanelled rectangular differs from the preceding two ceilings in that it depicts, on either side of the off-centre central framed hole four and three seated divinity figures.
- 63. The aforementioned four divinity figures in the last-noted ceiling include Kālidevī (?), Vairotyā, Nirvāṇī or Lakṣmī(?), and Sarasvatī.
- 64. Similarly, the right hand side figures represent Gomukha Yakṣa, Ambikā, and Brahmaśānti Yakṣa.
- 65. Starting from the southern end, the first of the seven rectangular Samatala ceilings over the eastern aisle between the trika and the rangamandapa, shows an example which, from the standpoint of motifs, general composition, and treatment, is allied to those shown on Plates 60 and 61 which are among the seven that cover the western aisle. The difference between them and the one that is present here is that, instead of a double outer frame of animals and animal riders seen there, here a single outer frame is featured and has, moreover, a series of boxes showing adorers etcetera along longer axes and Yakşīs, Vidyādevīs, and Yakşas in the panels inside the two shorter sides. The inner frame depicts a procession of cavaliers, palanquin-bearers etcetera which appear only in the case of one side, the remaining three sides show lay followers listening to an ācārya's pravacana or sermon. The central-most area shows six panels wherein are seen seated couples each in a pavilion instead of divinity figures that come to view in the former two ceilings, namely those noticeable on Plates 60 and 61. The decorative buckles at the panels, where the corners meet, are richer in detail and jewel like in appearance.
- 66 These two ceilings which in order follow the preceding one, are very similar
- & among themselves in terms of design. The design in each case consists of five
- 67. long belts of boxes in linkage. Each one of the boxes in the outermost belt contains male or female attendant in the longer boxes, the shorter,

intervening, square boxes contain a small elephant figure in each instance. The two inner belts display larger panels that show standing couples with smaller alternating panels displaying a single male or female adorer or attendant. The central belt bearing nine panels exhibits three types of filler-motifs, the rāsamaṇḍala, a single attendant figure, or a group of three musicians in alternating order.

- 68. This ceiling is largely similar to the preceding two, except that the rāsamaṇḍala motif is omitted here and, in the panels, besides the elephant riders, here are also introduced figures of cavaliers set likewise in boxes. The paṭṭīs defining the frame of each box have a carved, plain, flat maṇibandha pattern as in the previous three ceilings. The jewelled buckles are also present.
- 69. This ceiling is narrower and hence has four bands in lieu of five of the preceding three examples. The outermost belts show, as in all previous instances, the attendant/ārādhaka figures. Each of the middle two belts has eight boxes, the seven in each case showing a seated couple in a pavilion as in the central belt in Plate 65, only the two juxtaposed boxes show the Vidyādevī or Yakṣī figures.
- 70. This narrow rectangular ceiling has five belts, the outermost showing the 'pravacana' or lecture scene with the participation of an audience which could be shown only as a gathering of single individuals sitting in a single file all around: the next two belts encompassing the central belt of boxes displays processions dominated by riders, their shorter sides show musical parties, each consisting of five members. The middle belt has six boxes displaying couples sitted in pavilions.
- 71. The themes of the previous instance are repeated here except that the figures in the sermon scene as well as the procession (which is shown in a single belt), are larger, more detailed, and no less lively than in the instances noticed before.

Altogether, the set of seven ceilings in this bay—some of them showing slight polish and pale natural hues of the material—is far superior to the Delvādā Samatala ceilings where, in fact, this class of well-organized and sophisticated compositions and fine delineation of animal figures is not paralleled. Only in the rangamandapa (c. A.D. 1075) of the Sun temple (Bakulāditya) at Modherā, the four corners outside the central octagon display

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panelled class of ceilings; but the variety of belts and the variations in figural groupings and motifs seen here is not encountered.

- 72. The picture represents what the doorframes of the devakulikās look like. It is a triśākhā type showing valli-, khalva-, and ratnaśākhā with a jar-holding female figures flanked by an adorer, both standing at the lower end of the two inner śākhās. The doorsill shows diamonds in panels. The tutelary figure of Jina needs no comment. The doorframe aesthetically is not significant, though it certainly is a little less austere and less perfunctorily rendered than the Delvādā parallels, particularly of the Tejapāla temple.
- 73. The Samavasarana carved in yelslowish marble and placed in a special cell at the south corner in juxtaposition of the eastern doorway of the prākāra is highly damaged and badly restored. Unlike other instances of this symbol, it is provided with a pīthikā-pedestal. It may have been introduced after the completion of the 24 devakulikās, and as an after thought.
- 74. The samvaraṇā or bell-roof of the Samavasaraṇa-kulikā is an arithmetically perfect and highly articulate ensemble of the apexial mūlaghaṇṭā, a set of three descending uraḥghaṇṭās in all four directions, and the tiers in the quadrants between them filled with the staggered sequences of ghaṇṭās and ghaṇṭikās, all of them fluted. The rathikās, however, have lost their figures and, instead, unsightly plain slabs are seen there inserted, omitting as they did even the parikarma-frames.
- 75. On the floor of the mukhālinda or aisle between the north-entry cutting across the paṭṭaśālā and the raṅgamaṇḍapa is carved this symbol. What it represents is difficult to guess, whether a highly stylized padmasarovara (lotus pond) or something else. At any rate, it is not encountered in the extant medieval and late medieval Jaina or Brahmanical temples.
- 76. The laterals of the mukhamaṇḍapa or entry-hall of the Mahāvīra temple are filled with a pair of the box type jāla-screens. While the boxes show such motifs as chequers, svastika, vajra or diamond, and stylized flowers, their organization and execution are of mediocre standard. Qualitatively, they are on par with those blind screens noticeable on the laterals of the trika-extension in the Neminātha temple (c. A.D. 1281) (Plate 182). It is likely that the open-pillared mukha-maṇḍapa in the Mahāvīra temple was closed with screens about the same date.

The Śāntinātha Temple (Ādinātha Phase II)

77. Taking leave of the Mahāvīra temple, we enter the chronologically next building, the Śāntinātha temple. The śikhara of the mūlaprāsāda here is shapely but the execution of its jāla is not perfect. The portion from the skandha-paṭṭa upwards, including the āmalasāraka, belongs to the restoration period.

- 78. The corner view of the Anekāndaka śikhara of a western Indian temple is seldom very appealing, and this Śāntinātha instance only endorses that feeling though, in compensation, it lays bare the fuller view of its constitution.
- 79. The Nābhicchanda ceiling of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Śāntinātha temple loses its effect by the introduction of the two heavy layers of karṇadardarikā and consequent omission of the kola course otherwise vital for a completed appearance, illustrated here for knowing its nature.
- **80.** The devakulikā-khattakas on the gūḍhamaṇḍapa wall falling in the trika are slightly more advanced in form in this temple than those in the Mahāvīra temple, but are not so gorgeous as in the Delvādā temples.
- 81. The four fully carved pillars of the satcatuskya here enhances the splendour of this architectural component, although it looks less poetic than the Mahāvīra parallel where the trika has a projecting porch whose pillars dramatically participate in the formation of the rangamandapa's octagon.
- 82. The view of the same satcatuskya from the corresponding north-east angle is as delightful as the one seen in the previous plate from the north-western standpoint.
- 83. The exclusive view of the file of the four front and fully decorated columns of the satcatuskya is very impressive, although the details leave out the gracefulness of carvings noticeable in the same type of pillars that are earlier by some six to ten decades in western Indian Brahmanical halls.
- 84. The rear columns of the satcatuskya are of the Miśraka class with girdles of carving confined to the upper half. They are effective by way of contrast to the fully decorated columns of the front row.
- 85. The carved vedikā at the fronton of the stylobate (right side of the visitor's view) of the şaţcatuşkya shows tolerably good decoration of the stylized

- creepers etc. The seated divinity figures in the two niches are of course much too formal.
- **86.** The left side of the vedikā, in generalities of ornamentation, largely echoes what is seen in the preceding illustration.
- 87. The central Nābhimandāraka ceiling of the front row of the satcatuṣkya shows a four-whorled lambana of good form. The corners are filled with seated subsidiary divinities. Altogether, the ceiling is impressive, its lambana anticipating the development of that important member as rendered in the latter half of the 12th century in the Vimala temple at Delvāḍā.
- 88. The central Nābhimandāraka ceiling of the rear row with three-whorled lambana. The large lateral fields left in this overall rectangular ceiling are filled with the seated divinity figures in the corner and music parties between.
- 89. The two almost identical ceilings, flanking the central one, display a Nābhimandāraka ceiling with a two-whorled lambana having a central padmakesara. The large, lateral, flat fields of the otherwise rectangular ceiling are filled with a pair of confronting elephants at the corner and human figures between them.
- 90. One of the pairs of the identical Nābhimandāraka ceilings, one on either side of the central ceiling of the rear row within the ṣaṭcatuṣkya. Kinnara figures fill the left out corners, the middle concentric part has at its centre a lūmā with a fine floral padmakesara.
- **91.** The rangamandapa, as seen from the satcatuskya, provides a fuller view of the inner space as defined by its peripheral columns.
- **92.** The rangamandapa and the western paṭṭaśālā as seen through the eastern aisle lends the full side-view of the interior.
- 93. The closer view of the āndola-toraņa supported by the western bhadra pillars of the raṅgamaṇḍapa. Toraṇa's undulating form is slightly better in configuration than those seen in the Vimala-vasahī temple at Delvāḍā, Mt. Ābu.
- 94. The front four columns at the north side of the rangamandapa where two bhadra pillars are almost fully decorated, the pillars at the extremities are Miśraka with segments of differing facets, namely octagonal, 16-sided, and round.

95. The central karoṭaka ceiling of the raṅgamaṇḍapa, as viewed from below, incidentally reveals that the hall is slightly rectangular along its north-south axis.

- **96.** The Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-ceiling has the usual set of circular courses; but its impact is not as powerful as of the Mahāvīra temple's ceiling.
- 97. Yet this view allows us to see the unfolding of the organized integration and rhythmic as well as systematic recession of its constituents.
- 98. The kalpavallī or kāmalatā, also called ūrmīvallī or 'creeper of foam,' shown here at the north and south soffits outside the circular field of the ceilings, is one of the few earliest instances of its kind. Samatala ceilings filled entirely with this motif look both gorgeous and very impressive as the surviving examples from the 12th to the 15th century demonstrate. Here this motif was invoked to correct the rectangularity of the hall reflected in the schema of roofing for the construction of the central ceiling which must maintain perfect circularity.
- 99. The last illustration was the view of the kalpavallī depicted at the southern end. This picture shows the same motif as rendered at the northern end. Slight difference in detail can be discerned between the two otherwise very similar looking designs.
- **100.** The illustration shows the karoṭaka ceiling along with the kalpavallī carved at the northern soffit.
- 101. This view, besides revealing the gajatālu and kola courses, shows a vidyādhara and two gandharva figures of the rūpakantha, the three figures fairly well-modelled.
- 102- These two pictures provide a balanced and intimate view of the karoṭaka
- 103. ceiling which looks more appealing and more efficient in design from this angle.
- **104.** The lambana-pendant looks like a highly schematized hibiscus flower protruding from the centre.
- 105. The ceilings covering the pārśvalindas or lateral aisles at the east and west, all of which, as in the Mahāvīra temple, are of Samatala class, but not so fine,

younger as they are by about two decades and a half. Their added misfortune was their whitewashing in the past and the subsequent removal of the lime by chisel which killed its finer details and the patina. The ceilings, therefore, are interesting only from the standpoint of the study of the Jaina narratives and the cultural equipment of that era they portray. The scenes in the first ceiling, counting from the south direction, represents the pañcakalyāṇaka events in the life of a tīrthaṅkara. The new motif here is the row of seated figures of the upāsakas and upāsikās. All these figures confront the viewer.

- 106. The picture shows an enlarged view of the details of the last ceiling. There are label inscriptions, only a few of which are a little clear.
- 107 The second ceiling represents the same sequence of themes but it has
- & badly suffered. The central circular part has lost its kola together with its
- 108. mukulabud or padmakesara. A closer view of a portion, however, clarifies at least some details of the narration.
- 109 The third ceiling depicts the life of a Jina: It suffers from the same problems
- & that plagued the preceding two instances. These views show details of the life
- 110. of a tīrthankara. The ideas concerning motifs and details are in these ceilings repeated over and over again.
- 111 The full and the partial and closer view of one more ceiling once again shows
- & the depiction of the pañcakalyāṇaka scene. The Samavasaraṇa is also there
- as in the previous ceilings. The central circular hollow is likewise present. One difference in the depiction is, to the right side of the central gajatālu, the seated Brahmaśānti Yakṣa and perhaps Sarasvatī.
- 113 The two views of the next ceiling of this aisle unravel the same theme but
- & introduce some variations in details. The Samavasarana here is at the right
- 114. side of the central circular hole: Whereas the left side has four belts showing the 'ratnas' like cakra (divine disc weapon), nava-nidhis (nine treasures) etcetera which are usually associated with an emperor of the 'Cakravarti' class as envisaged and defined in the Jaina mythology. Maybe, the tīrthankara involved here was Śāntinātha who also happened to be a cakravarti.
- 115 The two pictures, the second showing a closer and a little magnified view of
- & a portion of the sixth, which is the last ceiling, show differences between the
- 116. preceding example in that the central, short, rectangular panel illustrates the figures of Gomukha Yakṣa and Yakṣī Cakreśvarī who were the guardians of

the 'śāsana' of Jina Rṣabha. Their presence further confirms that the temple originally was dedicated to that Jina. The three concentric belts around the central panel demonstrate the 14 dreams and the Kalyānaka scenes.

- 117 The first ceiling in this aisle, in its outer belt, depicts the life of a tīrthankara
- & while the inner two belts contain the figures of the parents of the 24 Jinas,
- **118.** each seated in a pavilion.
- 119. The eastern aisle has, as its second of its six rectangular ceilings (counted from the trika onwards), three circular belts in the central portion. These together depict a 'yantra' or magical diagram showing in the outermost circle the figures of 16 Vidyādevīs carved on the 16 lotus petals, the second belt has regimented human figures, the central-most contains the figure of Jina seated on lion-throne and within a parikara-frame. The two straight lateral belts show the rows of adorers.
- 120 The two views of the third ceiling show in the outermost belt adorer and
- & dancing figures in the rectangular panels, the inner belt displays procession
- 121. scene on one of the longer sides, the delivery of sermon in the second, and upāsakas in the shorter sides. The inner four larger boxes have couples in pavilions.
- 122 The composition of this fourth ceiling is based on figures set in boxes. The
- & outermost belt is, as in several ceilings in the eastern aisle in the Mahāvīra
- 123. temple, the second and the fourth show elephant figures and musicians, and the central belt, in its two centrally situated boxes, enshrine Brahmaśānti and Gomukha Yakşa.
- 124- In terms of theme, the fifth ceiling is like the one shown in Plates 122, 123.
- 125. In the central belt, the couples alternate with seated divinity figures.
- 126. The ceiling is thematically formed by figures set in boxes throughout its lay. The figures represent adorers, musicians, dancers, elephant-riders and cavaliers. The workmanship is inferior to that of this type of ceilings met with in the Mahāvīra temple.
- 127 Two views of the Astāpada in the kulikā located at the south-eastern corner
- & at the back of the mulaprasada of the Śantinatha temple. The Astapada or
- 128. Kailāsa mountain where Ādinātha Ŗṣabha is believed in Jaina mythology to have attained salvation, began to be depicted in the Śvetāmbara tradition from

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the 12th century onwards as literary references prove. The earliest surviving examples of the actual representations are from the 13th century. They are only a few in number.

In the Kumbhāriyā instance, the pīṭhikā is also provided and is much cut up in its basal and elevational configuration. The Aṣṭāpada shows eight steps leading to two tiers of the Jina figures, three set on each of the four sides. Above this is the miniature Samavasaraṇa supporting the quadruple image of Ādinātha. This is one of the prescribed/conventional ways of representing the Aṣṭāpada.

- 129. A typical lantern ceiling in the bhramantikā/paṭṭaśālā of the Śāntinātha temple. The middle square shows the vegetal decoration with a centrally placed stylized lotus.
- 130. Between the front bhadra pillars and the pattaśālā's entry at the north and thus in the mukhālinda is carved, on the floor, a motif of rotating svastika, a convention to be once again met with only here in Pārśvanātha temple.

The Pārśvanātha Temple

- 131. Coming next to the Pārśvanātha temple, we may begin with the well-formed śikhara on the prāsāda. Although it is devoid of the jāla decoration, it is still not without charm, particularly since it has good form. It uses the 'karma' or multi-turreted class of śrnga above the karna and pratiratha buttresses. Cakreśvarī graces the bhadra-rathikā of the south. The karnāṇḍakas of the mūlamañjarī and uraḥśrngas, as is known in some rare cases, are circular instead of squarish, the skandhapaṭṭa- terminal of the śikhara body displays plain diamonds. And there is a dhvajādhara figure below the modern 'kalābo' in which the flag-staff is inserted. The śikhara in later times has been carefully conserved.
- 132. The śikhara, as seen from the south-east corner, lends the full view of its constituent elements—rathikās, karmas, tilakas, uraḥśṛṅgas, pratyaṅgas or quarter spires leaning along the uraḥṣṛṅgas' flanks etcetera.
- The lower half of the main doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa betrays minuteness and intricacy of carving; but the figures have none of the gracefulness of the examples of the preceding century. The carving on the

- profile of the central mandāraka projection and the flanking large grāsamukhas are good examples of craftsmanship of that age.
- 134. The illustration shows the upper section, including the uttaranga—door-lintel—of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa, where the quality of the figures is as questionable as at the udumbara or doorsill. Still above is a paṭṭa showing Jina's mother dreaming the conventional 14 auspicious dreams.
- 136. The carved vedikā at the west side of the porch of the trika. The quality of carving here is somewhat inferior to what is noticeable in the two earlier temples discussed. The niched figures of divinities are very visibly bad as works of art.
- 137. The khattaka in the west wing of the trika, located at the right side of the doorway (spectator's viewpoint). Its shape is tolerably nice from the formal standpoint.
- 138. The east side vedikā of the porch of the trika looks somewhat better for its details carving compared to the corresponding one on the opposite side (Plate 136).
- 139. As in the case of the Mahāvīra temple, the pair of the highly carved pillars of the trika-porch act as bhadra columns of the raṅgamaṇḍapa. They support an āndola- toraṇa. That way of planning and designing has succeeded in generating elegance.
- **140.** Same pillars as viewed from the northeast. The torana adds gracefulness to the elevation.
- 141. The image of Apraticakrā carved in the jaṅghā of one of the porch pillars of the trika reflects the quality of hieratic sculptures of the time, strictly formal and rule-bound. The belt of eight figures above the jaṅghā shows Vidyādevīs etcetera.
- 142. The rangamandapa as it appears from the trika. Outside the northern limit and beyond the front aisle is seen the opening of the nāla-tunnel concealed in darkness since its opening is closed. Above it lies the balānaka hall, seen in the picture as under strong early afternoon sun light.
- 143. The view of the rangamandapa from the middle of the western aisle. The foreshortening of space experienced in the previous picture is absent in this one. The full amplitude of the hall is clearly felt from this vantage point.

- 144. The front half of the rangamandapa with its ornate as well as relatively plain end pillars of the Miśraka class. Their relative positions and harmony are unambiguously discernible.
- 145. The aggregate view of the rangamandapa with trika in the background as noticeable from the north-western point in the western aisle reveals the total mass and volume of the interior.
- 146. A similar but closer view with a shift of standpoint.
- 147. The view of the columns, north side, of the rangamandapa as discernible from the mukhālinda corner emphatically reveals the fine proportionalities of the interior.
- 148. The well-chiselled pīṭhikā and the kumbhikā moulding of a Miśraka pillar of the raṅgamaṇḍapa reveals how plain facets can be truly effective. The introduction of pīṭhikā was necessitated for adding height to the slender pillars.
- 149. The view from the bhadra point of the mukhālinda unravels the combined volume of the rangamaṇḍapa and the trika. The loss of figures in the lateral rathikās of the stairway is pinchingly felt, just as its replacement by a stark white marble produces a jarring note in the symphony of organization.
- 150. The view of the rangamandapa's central ceiling as it appears from the centre of the floor. The reduction in the number of kola courses here is not to the advantage of its appearance.
- 151- However, the same ceiling, when viewed from a tilted angle, allows the full
- 152. impact of the 'wave effect' inherent in its composition.
- 153. The kola courses of the ceiling and the central four-kola lambana as well as the long padmakesara with two layers of petals betray elegance together with power of its overall constitution.
- 154. The bhramantikā of the west side, though only less than half the length of those splendid parallels from the Delvāḍā temples, is still impressive and possesses a clear photogenic personality unlike the instances in the two earlier temples here. The pillars here are slightly taller and the proportions and intercolumniation are what is instrumental in producing right effects.

155. The doorframe of the bhadraprāsāda of the eastern paṭṭaśālā, like its almost duplicate in the corresponding situation in the western side, is much similar to that of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa and all the three instances seem contemporaneous in time. Above the uttaraṅga here (as in the case of the other two doorframes) is a paṭṭa showing the 14 dreams and the Jinamātā sleeping on a cot.

- **156.** The doorsill alongwith the lower section of the doorframe shows the typical early 12th century style of carving.
- 157. The Parśvanātha temple's western paṭṭaśālā and the left wing of the northern paṭṭaśālā, as reckoned from within, have decorated ceilings. Some of these can be illustrated and discussed here, for they are historically earlier than those of the Ābu instances as also on account of their intrinsic merits. The fine Nābhimandāraka ceiling shown in this picture is set within an octagon. A padmakesara relieves the centre with advantage. At the vikarṇas are shown large grāsa-heads.
- 158. The Nābhimandāraka ceiling has a few interesting features such as the prominent grāsapaṭṭī followed by a finely rendered karṇadardarikā with pointed leaves, a gajatālu and a kola course, and the central lambana which, lamentably, has lost its padmakesara.
- 159. A Nābhimandāraka ceiling with three kola courses and a central geometric lambana where, too, the padmakesara is missing.
- 160. The ceiling is supported by the carved pillars in the paṭṭaśālā part connected with the western bhadraprāsāda. It possesses elements as well as pretension of a small scale Sabhāmandāraka ceiling having a rūpakaṇṭha with eight vidyādhara-brackets which once supported the aṣṭanāyikā figures, followed by two courses of gajatālu and a single course of kola, from its centre emerges a fine dvi-kola lambana with pointed kolas, the staminal tube of the padmakesara is surrounded by music making ladies; the petals arranged in two whorls, however, are partly damaged.
- 161. The Nābhimandāraka ceiling has a rūpapaṭṭī, two layers of karṇadardarikā, a single gajatālu as well as a single kola course, and a two-kola lambana of good design. The vikarṇas show large grāsa-heads abstractly disgorging stylized creepers at the flanks.

162. Set in an octagon, the designer of this ceiling has omitted the gajatālu and straightaway started with kola courses, three in number, culminated in the centre by a dvi-kola lambana of the type noticed in the preceding example.

The omission of the vital details such as the carving of petals etcetera along the borders of kolas, lūmās, and lambanas, impart a ceiling rather dry appearance. But this became the characteristic style for the ceilings, apparently of the Candrāvatī school, which was then fashionable and continued to be in vogue till the 15th century in Ābu area and further northeastwards, in fact as far as Jālor, Varkānā, and Rāṇakpur.

- 163. The floor of the mukhālinda before the rangamandapa, at its centre, displays this symbol of rotating svastika framed in manipattikā as previously met with in the Śāntinātha temple.
- 164. At the north end is situated the nāla-tunnel and above it the balānaka-hall, both piercing through the middle section of the northern paṭṭaśālā.
- 165. The western bhadraprāsāda, as seen from outside, is a well-formed small temple with almost the full compliment of basic components: mouldings, figures on the janghā, and of course the well-shaped śikhara complete with jāla decoration.
- 166. The view of the same bhadraprāsāda after the recent building of the śikharas that were earlier not there on the adjoining and other devakulikās.

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- 167. Entering now the largest temple, that of Jina Neminātha, and looking into the mukhacatuṣkī part of the balānaka from south, the eyes meet with a nicely formed toraṇa. In Kumbhāriyā, the only type of toraṇa one encounters is of the āndola or 'wave' category.
- 168- The collective view of the ceilings of the balānaka area. They are not of much
- 169. consequence either from the standpoint of typological studies or art proper.
- 170. The Nābhimandāraka ceiling above the pierced paṭṭaśālā at the north. The central kola and the lambana part are refined and finicky. The vikarṇas show pair of elephants and the soffit of the two surlintels (the latter introduced to ensure square field in the otherwise rectangular area) display a row of full-blown water-nymphs.

171. The view of the Meghanāda-maṇḍapa added by lady Hāmsi in c. A.D. 1137. In the rear ground is seen the ṣaṭcatuṣkya and the doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa.

- 172. The view of the mukhālinda before the Meghanāda hall is interesting for the rhythm of the carved and plain columns in rows.
- 173. The interior view through the front part of the hall from the western alinda likewise is arresting, opening as it does into a pleasant vista.
- 174. All 12 columns, a little plumpish, of the lower storey of the Meghanāda hall, are fully carved in the style of the medieval Maru-Gurjara order.
- 175. The upper storey of the hall is rather stunted and unfunctional. Its usefulness lay in raising the height of the central ceiling.
- 176. The great karoṭaka ceiling of the Sabhāmandāraka order, as seen from the centre of the floor, provides an impressive view even when it lacks the circle of lūmās around the central pendant.
- 177 The same ceiling seen obliquely from near the trika offers a more pleasing view. Also, its progressively closer views allow to see how delicately the
- 179. kolas and the lambana, as essential components, have been rendered and how vibrant its perfectly integrated structure looks. This perfected form for the lambana will have a fuller play and sway in the 13th century, most exemplarily witnessed in the ceilings of the Tejapāla temple on Mt. Ābu.
- **180.** The carved front columns of the satcatuskya match in style and poise with those of the hall.
- 181. The rear columns of this vestibular hall, as lucidly seen in this picture, are also in the same style. Though the details, as with the hall-columns, are not refined, the overall impression is one of exuberance and richness of craftsmanship.
- 182. The thin blind-screened wall of the extended vestibular hall toward east shows motifs such as chequers, diamond, svastika, bird and flower set in plain boxes, done in c. A.D. 1281. The corresponding wall at the western extension has the pair of screens similar in pattern.
- 183. The central ceiling in the front row of columns in the şaţcatuşkya is Nābhimandāraka with a four-kola lambana of great refinement. The vikarņas

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- show pairs of elephants. The soffits of the additional lintels are relieved with flat water-nymphs set in panels and beyond it is a paṭṭikā, showing in each case, finely rendered processions.
- 184. The corresponding ceiling in the rear row has a three-kola lambana with a short padmakesara. The vikarnas are filled with pairs of kinnaras. The ceiling, however, is not that refined as the preceding one.
- The flanks of each of these two ceilings have a pair of identical ceilings; that in the front row and the other one in the rear row are less elaborate since they
- 186. employ triple courses of leafy karnadardarikās and the lambana in each instance is smaller and of dvi-kola type. Altogether they look dry, drab and devoid of interest.
- 187. The ornamentation of the doorsill of the lofty and large doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa has less number of śākhās and now partly renovated. But before its entry-point, come to view two unusual elements; the somewhat high and substantial ardhacandra or śaṅkhāvarta type of moonstone; next a rectangular block of marble (with its profile showing vallī ornament) placed over the moonstone as an aid to step over to the udumbara or doorsill proper.
- 188 It seems that the original walls of the gūdhamandapa were replaced in the line 17th century and once more repaired in early 20th century. The decorative carving of the udgama or pediment and of the pallavas or stylized leaves of the bharani of the echinus-abacus complex above it is in style clearly derived from the ornamentation of Sultanate period, ubiquitously seen there in the motifs as well as their embroidery like workmanship. The Sultanate period

craftsmanship had survived till the Mughal period.

The Neminātha temple—Ariṣṭanemi-caitya—is not only the largest but also its prāsāda, unlike other Jaina temples at the site, is a fully decorated building on the site for its lower structure. As these views reveal, it has the usual mahāpīṭha of the Solaṅkī period architecture, indeed commensurate with its size, and with full set of mouldings. Also, the kumbha of the vedibandha as well as the jaṅghā has the usual Jaina divinity figures set in parikarma-frames. The figures themselves being of the date c. A.D. 1134, are of the period when the Maru-Gurjara art of sculpting was past its peak by a century. They thus have no pretension toward 'art' but are useful for archaeological purposes, especially to the students of Jaina iconography.

192 These views of the south side of the prāsāda—the eastern half (including

- & bhadra) and the western half-attest to the building's accurately formal
- 193. proportions.
- 194. The total view of the south side gives idea of the breadthwise size of the prāsāda.
- 195. The close up of the mahāpīṭha and the vedibandha gives the estimate of the details figuring in the decoration of those components.
- 196. The earliest example of the motif of two confronting elephants in the gajapītha at the bhadra and elsewhere is noticeable here in the ornamentation of the Neminātha temple. It is frequently met with in late 12th and the first half of the 13th century Maru-Gurjara buildings: its occurrence in a larger form is noticeable at the Navalakhā temple at Ghumli (c. A.D. 1200), at the bhadras of its prāsāda-pīṭha.
- 197. Śrutadevatā Sarasvatī seen in this picture is among the several Jaina divinities carved on the kumbha-faces of this temple. Useful from the iconographical standpoint.
- 198. The niche of this figure, just as the karaṇḍa crown of the vidyādevī Nirvāṇī in this picture, are shapely and elegantly carved.
- 199. The pratiratha of the prāsāda and the kapilī, west side, permit a closer view of the figures, which faithfully reflect the sculptural art of the time of Jayasimha Siddharāja, less suave and a little stolid compared to the figural art of the preceding century.
- 200 The doorframes of the western and eastern bhadraprāsādas are similar in size,
- & shape and details. The catuḥśākhā doorframe of each shrine provides an
- 201. instance of vegetal and figural carving of the 12th century.
- 202. The doorsill with the moonstone, of the bhadraprāsāda, is a tolerably good example of the treatment of that member in the 12th century.
- 203. The dviśākhā doorframe of one of the devakulikās in the west wing illustrates how conservative was the style of late 13th century. The doorframe also resembles those of the devakulikās in the Pītalhara temple of c. early 14th century in Delvāḍā, Mt. Ābu.

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204 The two bhadraprāsādas of the Neminātha temple are not only large; the one

- & at the west side has its exterior having kumbhas with niched figures, the
- 205. janghā showing the figures of Dikpālas and Vidyādevīs. The janghā also has ardhapadma-paṭṭī as a middle band, and grāsapaṭṭī in the upper part, and an udgama with carved detail. Also carved is an additional larger udgama on the still upper section.
- The southernmost devakulikā built during late 13th century has a śikhara to with jāla work. It betrays a fine and perfect shape. Recently, for some reason,
- 208. it was dismantled and reërected in the compound on the open paṭṭaśālā surrounded by prākāra wall in the background.

The Sambhavanātha Temple (Originally Śāntinātha)

- 209 The back view of the śikhara of Sambhavanātha temple. It has a good form
- & with minute jāla decoration. The present karmas or multiple śrngas seem to
- **210.** have replaced the original during conservation.
- 211. The view of the śikhara from east confirms what is said for the preceding picture. It is very doubtful whether the śukanāsa cast in the 'balcony form' was in the original design.
- 212. The pītha and the vedibandha of the prāsāda are well-chiselled but plain: the kumbha alone bears figure-panels but that feature is confined to the karņas and bhadras.
- 213. The dvi-śākhā doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa with the stambhaśākhā has a baroque feel of a similarly designed doorframe of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Tejapāla temple, Mt. Ābu, but without the exuberance of tiny figural decoration and fine (as well as profuse) undercutting of the stambhaśākhā there. Still it is not without the charm of a new approach, a definite tendency to move away from the time-honoured but hackneyed formal convention, for a medieval Maru-Gurjara doorframe.
- 214. In absence of the surround of devakulikās and thanks to it the consequent absence of aisles and their ceilings' covering, the rangamaṇḍapa has enough light within and without but not the pretension of any kind. Neither are the plain Miśraka pillars evocative nor is the ceiling, made up as it is of the rūpakaṇṭha showing ardhapadmas in series and a staggered sequence of plain

dardarikās, have anything appealing. The picture reproduced here is an archaeological document.

The Kumbheśvara Temple

- 215 The prāsāda of the sixth marble temple, of Śiva Kumbheśvara, surpasses the
- & Jaina temples, even the Neminatha temple, in having almost the fullest
- 216. repertoire of carved mouldings employed in its elevation. The sanctuary building is vertically highly cut-up: Every one of its several phālanā-facets at the kumbha has standing figure, its skandha-shoulders have the typical leaf decoration that first appeared in Karṇadeva's times, the kalaśa or torus above it shows the ratnabandha ornament, and so forth.
- 217. The janghā figures provided with the parikarma framing reflect quality, particularly for the surasundarī figures on the pratiratha. The Dikpāla figures, as in the case of the Neminātha temple, are iconographically correct but lack in the suavely swaying dvibhanga posture and the serene contemplative faces of the tenth and early 11th century.

The Associated Sculptures & Architectural Components

- 218. Standing Jina image, originally from the janghā section of a prāsāda of some temple, perhaps from the original temple of Rṣabha at this site or from other neighbouring site. Stylistically, it seems of c early 11th century.
- 219. One of the two similar, standing, and inscribed Jina images in the gūḍha-maṇḍapa, flanking the antarāla of the Mahāvīra temple. The inscriptions on both are largely effaced, but on one of them the date earlier read was S. 1118/A.D. 1062, which, incidentally, is also the date of founding of the temple. The figure of Jina had suffered mutilation; arms, and right hand palm are rejoined and soldered, a new unshapely nose is fixed on the squarish face. The large artificial eyes, painted eyebrows, and the 11 metal 'tilās' take away the remaining elements of art from the image. The dhotī and the katimekhalā—the first was introduced in the images back at the beginning of the sixth, the latter vogue is noticeable from atleast the 11th century—the two being the chief characteristics of the Śvetāmbara images, distinguishing as they do from the Jina images of the Boṭika/Acela-kṣapaṇaka or later, for that matter, those of the Digambara sect. After the gradual crystallization of the

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Śvetāmbara sect by the fourth century A.D. in southern Gujarat and eastern Saurāṣṭra, from the earlier northern Nirgrantha sect which, of course, used to worship nude Jina images as is clear from the Mathurā instances of Śaka, Kuṣāṇa, and Gupta period.

The Kumbhāriyā image is flanked by vyālas, the lower ends show standing cāmaradharas and the seated figures of an ārādhaka and an ārādhikā, representing perhaps the lay followers who got the image made. The style of the figures accord with the date. The upper part also is carved in conformity with the 11th century conventions. The flying mālādhara class of vidyādharas with their consorts are noticeable near the Jina's head: and above is the triple umbrella flanked by Hiranyendras riding on elephants, next are a pair of celestials flanking the conch-blowing śańkhapāla at the apex of the umbrella.

- By contrast, the parikara details of the image dated S.1214/A.D. 1158 is much
 more regimented. The main kāyotsarga figure of Jina Supārśvanātha was
- more regimented. The main kayotsarga figure of Jina Suparsvanatha was mutilated and repaired as in the last case, and whatever is said in that context is applicable to this instance as well. Besides the standing cāmaradharas and the seated adorer figures at the flanks of the Jina are carved 16 Vidyādevīs, eight on each of its flanks. The details of the upper part is according to the Maru-Gurjara style and conventions but the figures are accommodated in a more compressed and much too formal manner. However, the semi-circular sub-pedestal below the inscribed flat pedestal shows figures of vyālas and elephants set within the loops of a creeper which are in good relief and interesting from the standpoint of execution. Typologically, the rendering is a continuation of the depiction of the motif on the surlintels of the lateral ceilings in the ṣaṭcatuṣkya of the Śāntinātha temple.
- 222 A similar sub-pedestal of a standing Jina image (one of the pair) dated
- & S. 1314/ A.D. 1258 continues the tradition of carving noticed in the foregoing
- 223. illustration, the quality within a century, however, has deteriorated. This is also the case of the corresponding example dated to A.D. 1258.
- 224. An image of Jina Vāsupūjya in a niche of the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Sambhavanātha seems of the late 13th century date. The images showing Tirthankara Vāsupūjya sitting underneath the campaka tree came into popularity in the latter half of the 13th century as is clear from the examples in

- Porbandar (A.D. 1259), Khambhāta, and a few other places. The Kumbhāriyā instance possesses no aesthetic pretension.
- 225. The image of a donor couple, uninscribed but stylistically of the 13th century is incongruently placed on the pedestal of a Jina with empty parikara. Such figures, all of the medieval period, are known from several Jaina sites in western India.
- 226 The two plates illustrate the marble figures of the Yakṣa Sarvānubhūti and
- & Yaksī Ambikā, kept on the floor of the garbhagrha of the Mahāvīra temple.
- 227. Both have partially suffered from the algae action due to long neglect and exposure to elements in the past. The style of the Sarvānubhūti figure is close to the cāmara-bearers of the kāyotsarga image of A.D. 1062. And that of Ambikā on one side possesses some details of the former image as well as the style which is posterior by a few decades to the two images (c. A.D. 1032) in the Vimala temple at Ābu. All of them possess halo. The two images here wear karaṇḍa mukuṭa: the Ambikā images in Delvāḍā have dhammilla mukuṭa. All in all, these two Kumbhāriyā images seem to be of c. A.D. 1062 and probably had belonged to the Mahāvīra temple.
- 228. While describing the ceiling, the first one in the eastern aisle of the Mahāvīra temple, it was noted that its boxes at the (western) extremity show figures of three divinities—Sarvānubhūti, Ambikā, and Brahmaśānti. The enlarged photo-illustration of that part of ceiling shows with sufficient detail and clarity the three figures whose style seem to be c. A.D. 1062, the date of the two earlier images discussed in the foregoing plates.
- 229. The Ambikā, stylistically of Kumārapāla's time, is cast in highly conventionalised style, of contemporaneous Jaina painting to be precise. It is inscribed but larger portion of the inscription is effaced.
- 230. The image of Ambikā in the Neminātha temple could be contemporaneous with the temple's older parts, but it was damaged and likewise has suffered disastrous restoration, the head of one of her sons is a replacement of the 17th century. The insertion of two folkish looking upper hands' arms etcetera speak loudly about what the image suffered at the hands of the iconoclast and the renovators alike. Her torso, the ornaments including keyūra on the right arm etcetera reflect the style of the better figures of the time of Siddharāja.

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231. This large and gorgeous torana is said to be before the principal image in the sanctuary of Jina Mahāvīra. Also, it is said to be inscribed, its date being S. 1213/A.D. 1157. However, the inscription is not traceable on the lower uncarved part of its poles, nor is the text of the inscription published.

The style of the toraṇa-posts seems derivative of the śakhās of the elaborate doorframes in the Pārśvanātha temple. Such toraṇas, set up before the images in the sanctuaries, are known from a couple of devakulikās (west wing) in the Pārśvanātha temple here and in the devakulikā of the Vimala temple (east wing left side), Mt. Ābu. None of them, so far cited, is earlier than the latter half of the 12th century.

- 232. Two posts of a large marble torana that once may have been in the garbhagrha of the Pārśvanātha temple (vide Insc. 19). The torana proper, usually supported above the posts, however, is lost. From the style of the figures, it could be of the time of Jayasimha Siddharāja. If this inference is accurate, then this may be looked upon as an instance earlier than all known from Ābu and Kumbhāriyā.
- 233. The large discarded toraṇa which is said to be once before the principal image of Neminātha in his main sanctuary. The style of the Vidyādevī figures seem of the 12th century. As in the doorframes, so also in toraṇa posts, the rūpastambha bore the figures of Vidyādevīs. The āndola-toraṇa, in style, somewhat resembles that in the balānaka of this temple.
- The two toranas, earlier referred to, inside the two devakulikas of the Parsvanatha temple. Although the design is not bad, the details and their
- 235. execution are somewhat poor. In all instances, the torana type used is of the andola specification.
- 236. The discarded yellowish marble fragment of the top of a Samavasaraṇa with quadruple and semicircular parikara tops, now lies in the eastern sector within the precincts of the Pārśvanātha temple. There was thus somewhere a second Samavasaraṇa in Kumbhāriyā, perhaps in the Neminātha temple.
- 237. The convention of sculpting the slab bearing the 24 mothers of the Jina had come into vogue from at least the 12th century. The uninscribed paṭṭa shown here, once probably in the gūḍhamaṇḍapa of the Neminātha temple and now in the store room of one of the temples, is carved in four strata, the first one

bears seven Jinamātā figures and two pairs of ārādhakas and ārādhikās at the extremities, one standing to the left and other to the right of the mother. The second stratum contains the same number, the third and the fourth each show five mothers. All of them are set in plain panels. Their faces are largely effaced, and there are label inscriptions for identification of each one of the Jinas' mothers. The apex shows seated figure of a Jina.

- 238 Of the three fragments of a Saptatiśata-Jina-paṭṭa that once was in the
- & gūdhamandapa of the Neminātha temple. More will be said on the concept
- 239. that underlay and the nature of the patta while discussing Plate 242.
- 240. The Vis-viharamāna-paṭṭa depicts the 20 currently existing Jinas in the mythical Mahāvideha-kṣetra of the discoidal continent of Jambhūdvīpa which is at the centre of the countless number of ring-shaped island continents alternating with ring oceans. However, no āgama, including the Samavāyānga-sūtra (on its 20th 'sthāna' or location), refers to these Jinas. The concept apparently was formulated in the sixth century when the niryuktis and the bhāṣyas were composed.

This inscribed patta, originally was in the Neminātha temple. Its execution is very mediocre and stylistically it seems not earlier than the late 13th century, maybe even later: It has Jina Sīmandhara, the first of the 20 Jinas, at the apex, the others follow in sequence of 5, 7, and 7, the last image mutilated. The pattas of Vis-viharamāna-Jinas are very rare to meet with. They, too, like the Sammetasikhara-patta bearing 20 Jinas (with which they sometimes have been confused) seem to have been originated in the 13th century.

241. The Nandīśvaradvīpa-paṭṭa placed in a khattaka in the eastward extension of the trika is dated S. 1211/A.D. 1267. Nandīśvaradvīpa is the seventh island continent counting from Jambūdvīpa. No human life exists there; but there are eternal shrines of the 13 Jinas around each of its cardinal Meru mountain, totalling thus to 52. These Jinas include 24 of the present and 24 of the past megacycles of time, plus four eternal Jinas, namely Candrānana, Vāriṣeṇa, Rṣabha, and Vardhamāna.

The patta illustrated here shows the Nandīśvaradvīpa encircled by the eighth ocean. Inside are indicated forests through stylized trees surrounding the shrines. Eight figures of Harinegameṣa, two on either side of each 13

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shrines and a pair of kinnara figures is shown near the top. A torana adorns the upper portion of the patta, otherwise having a circular main field.

The Nandīśvaradvīpa-pattas began to be carved and set up in western India in the Svetāmbara shrines from at least the 12th century. The patta is unknown in the Botika/Kṣapaṇaka sect which held sway in those days in east Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. It is likewise unknown in the Digambara sect which originated in Tamilnadu, next spread in Karnataka, and slowly travelled upwards where eventually it absorbed Botika sect lock, stock, and barrel. The Botika sect, founded by Arya Śivabhūti sometime in the first half of the second century A.D. fully recognized agamas but seemingly disagreed with the main sect Nirgranthas in matter of 'parigraha' meaning the upakaranas which a friar can keep. The Nirgranthas permitted a bowl and a piece of cloth (katibandhana, katipattaka) to cover or hide the private parts as and when needed, particularly while on tours for begging food in the cities and town. They, unlike the Digambaras, believed in the salvation of feminine gender, house-holders, as well as for the adherents of other religions. Their images of Jina Munisuvrata portray a Jina as a seated nude lady. All Jaina sects otherwise, and of course, believed in the same concept of cosmography which includes Nandīśvara-dvīpa and its 52 Jina temples.

242. The Saptatisata-paṭṭa represents an idea of the presence at a time of as many as 170 Jinas, an eventuality believed to have happened countless trillions of aeons ago, in the time of the second Jina Ajitanātha, that period specifically known as the 'utkṛṣṭa-kāla'. The worship of such paṭṭas, unknown in all Jaina sects except the Śvetāmbara, seemingly came into vogue in the latter half of the 13th century. A few examples of such paṭṭas are reported from northern Gujarat: And there is one fine and elaborate paṭṭa of c. A.D. 1320-1325 in the Kharatara-vasahī (Bulavaṇī temple) on Mt. Śatruñjaya.

The Saptatiśata-Jina-paṭṭa illustrated in this plate is placed along the western extension wall of the ṣaṭcatuṣkya of the Neminātha temple. The middle area, not exactly at the paṭṭa's geometric centre, shows a sa-parikara Jina-pañcaka. The Ajita Jina, represented as a larger figure, is placed in its centre. The paṭṭa is inscribed and is dated to S. 1310/A.D. 1254. The distribution of the Jina figures to total 170 is ingeniously done.

243. The Kalyāṇatraya-paṭṭa, dated S. 1343/A.D. 1287 is placed in the extended eastern portion of the mukhamaṇḍapa or ṣaṭcatuṣkya where it faces west. The paṭṭa is a rare type of representation, two dimensional (showing one face out of the usual four faces of the tridimensional symbolic representation) theme of the three Kalyāṇakas—renunciation, enlightenment, and salvation of Jina Ariṣṭanemi—that are believed to have happened on Mt. Ujjayanta, the vogue which apparently had been started by minister Tejapāla in early thirties of the 13th century. In the Neminātha temple example, the upper or third panel is missing.

244. The Samalikāvihāra-carita-paṭṭa is after a Jaina myth of a kite sitting on a tree near Bṛgukaccha which was killed by a hunter. At her dying moments, she heard the sermon from the compassionate Jaina munis who then were passing by, on account of which she was reborn as a princess Sudarśanā of Lankā. One day, on suddenly recalling her past existence, she voyaged by ship to Bṛgukaccha and founded there a temple to Jina Munisuvrata. The paṭṭa illustrated here is dated to S. 1338/A.D. 1282. Bhandarkar saw it set up in the closed hall of the Neminātha temple, though now it is placed on a pedestal in the mukhamaṇḍapa of the Mahāvīra temple. Bhandarkar, however, could not identify its theme. Cousens quoted a parallel, of a very similarly delineated paṭṭa (of S. 1335/A.D. 1279) in the Tejapāla temple at Mt. Ābu. Such paṭṭas so far have been unknown before the latter half of the 13th century. They are likewise unknown from the Kṣapaṇaka, its offshoot the Yāpanīya of northern Karnataka, and the Digambara sect.

A corresponding Aśvāvabodha-paṭṭa has been fixed above the south wall bhadra-khattaka of the Neminātha temple, the like of which is also paralleled in the Luṇa-vasahī temple, Delvāḍā, Mt. Ābu. (Cf. Jayantavijaya, $\bar{A}b\bar{u}$, Pt. 1, Ujjain 1933, Plate opposite p. 109.)

Reference Glossary: Art & Architectural Terms

Adhināyaka

principal deity

alamkāra-devatā

divine figure(s) [including iconologically meaningful pantheonic divinities] generally associated as an exterior decoration, usually on

the temple's or hall's wall

alinda

aisle

Anekändaka

multi-spired/multi-turreted (Nāgara śikhara)

aṅga

principal horizontal/vertical division of the temple plan such as bhadra, pratiratha, karna etc.

anda

andaka

spirelet in the constitution of Sekhari temple

antarāla

space in front of sanctum door; vestibule

antarapaţţa

recess between major mouldings, generally between kalaśa and kapotapālī in pīţha; inserted also between two courses of kapotapālī in varandikā/prahāra below the śikhara; often showing kuñjarākṣa pattern as its decoration,

especially in Mahā-Gurjara buildings

antaraśākhā

innermost jamb of doorframe

apsaras

apsarā

divine nymph; surasundarī; devānganā

ardhacandra

moon-stone; semi-circular step before the

sanctum doorway

ardhapadma

half-lotus (decorative motif)

ardharatna

split-diamond (decorative motif)

ardhathakāra

split-gavākṣa (decorative motif)

aştamangala eight auspicious symbols

astanāyikās eight damsels showing different moods, gestures,

and roles

Aştāpada Kailāsa; mountain on which Jina Rṣabha attained

nirvāņa, symbolic representation of

Aşţāpada-kulikā chapel enshrining Aşţāpada

avalokanaka window-opening in sāndhāra prāsāda or/and

gūdhamaņdapa

āmalaka "myrobalan fruit"; crowning member of the

Nāgara (Latina and Śekharī/Anekāṇḍaka) temple

āmalasāraka large "cogged wheel" shaped stone crowning the

North Indian sikhara-spire; broader and more

compressed āmalaka

āndola wave

āndola-toraņa wavy formed arch

ārādhaka male adorer

ārādhikā female adorer

āsanapaţţa seat-slab

āyatana shrine; ālaya, prāsāda

āyudha emblematic weapon of a divinity

Bahirśākhā outer śākhā; bāhyaśākhā

bakulamālā garland of "bakula" flowers, generally a thin and

auxiliary decorative vertical strip in doorjambs

balānaka pillared entry-hall, generally with an upper storey

bāhya outer

bāhyaśākhā outermost door-jamb

bhadra central offset (wall-division); ratha, madhya-

ratha (Kalinga)

Bhadraka square pillar-type with central projection on plan

and in elevation

Reference Glossary 167

bhadra-khattaka niche at the cardinal point of the jangha (upper

section of a temple-wall)

bhadraprāsāda larger devakulikā coäxial with the transept of the

rangamandapa

bhadrapīṭha bhadrāsana, generally circular

bhadra-rathikā niche at the cardinal offset in a śikhara

bhadrāsana seat

bhadrāvalokana opening at the central offset of prāsāda and/or

closed hall; balcony, window

bharana fluted or ribbed echinus

bharana with more minute ribbings

bhāravāhaka atlantid figure

bhitta plinth; rectangular course below the base proper

bhramantikā cloistered corridor in Jaina temples; bhamatī

(Gujarātī)

Bhūmija superstructure type composed of corner and

intermediate pillarettes supporting miniature Latina sikhara and having a vertical jāla-spine at

the bhadras

Cakra wheel; Visnu's discus

cakravarti universal emperor

campaka flower of Michelia champaca Linn. (decorative

motif)

candrāvalokana screened window

catuḥśākha

catuhśākhā doorframe having four śākhās

caturmukha four-faced; four-doored sanctum

caturvimsati-Jina-patta carved slab depicting 24 Jinas; Jina image, in

stone or metal, with a surround of 23 Jinas

caturvimsati-Jinamata-patta carved slab showing 24 mothers of the 24 Jinas

caturvimśati-Jinālaya Jaina temple with an entourage of 24 devakulikās

enshrining 24 Jinas

catuşkhandā-kola four-lobed kola, one of the cusped-and-coffered

courses of a ceiling

catuşkola pendant formed by four circular kola courses in

descending order and sequentially diminishing in

size

catuşkya

catușki bay of four-pillars; four-pillared structure

ċippī

cippika minor inverted cyma recta

Citra-toraņa ornamental toraņa-arch showing figural

decoration on front and back faces

cāmara fly-whisk

cāmaradhara fly-whisk bearing male

cāmaradhāriņī fly-whisk bearing female

chajjikā minor roof; rooflet moulding

Dampati-yugala human (or divine) couple

daṇḍacchādya projecting sloping eave showing/simulating a

series of minor logs on the upper surface

dardarikā moulding resembling cyma reversa in ceiling

devakulikā minor/subsidiary shrine; peripheral shrine

devakulikā-khattaka large niche used in lieu of a true devakulikā,

occurring in the pattaśālā or trika

Dikpālas eight guardians of the compass directions

dhammilla mukuta dhammilla form of diadem

dhotī lower garment, from waist downwards

dhvaja banner-staff

dhvajādhara symbolic male figure carved at the end part of the

sikhara which feigns to hold the flagstaff

Reference Glossary 169

dvāra door

dvārabandha doorframe

dvāraśākhā doorjamb

dvi-anga with two planes of offset (triratha in Eastern

India)

dvibhanga double flexure

dvi-kola pendant/pendantive composed of two kola

courses

damaru hand-drum

Gagāraka scout-badge like decorative motif comprising

arrow between two contra spirals

gagārapaṭṭī chain of gagārakas carved at the edge of the

kapotapālī

gajapītha basal-band showing frontal posture of elephant

figures in file

gajatālu "elephant's palate"; cusped ceiling-course

gandharva celestial minstrel

garbhagrha womb-house; sanctum

gavākşa "cow's eye" (decorative motif); candraśālā,

țhakāra

grāsa gorgon head; kīrttimukha

grāsa-kińkaṇikā decorative motif showing bell with a hanging

chain dangling from a grāsa-mask

grāsamukha gorgon face or head; kīrttimukha

grāsapaţţī

grāsapattikā band showing grāsa heads in file

gūḍhamaṇḍapa closed hall

ghanţā bell; bell-member of the samvaraṇā-roof;

crowning bell of Phāmsanā/samvaraņā

ghaṇṭikā small bell-member

Hamsa

goose, gander (decorative motif)

Hiranyendra

Indra riding on an elephant and shown in Jina

image parikaras

Illikā-torana

toraņa, with undulating arch form

Jagatī

plinth, platform socle, stylobate, stereobate;

basal moulding of adhisthana (South Indian)

janghā

wall-frieze between vedibandha and śikhara; kaţi

(older synonym)

jādyakumbha

"kumbha at the base-root"; inverted cyma recta;

lowest pitha moulding

jāla

jālaka

perforated screen; gavākṣa-web design of a

śikhara

Jinatraya

seated Jina flanked by two standing Jina figures

Jinamātrkā-paţţa

sculpted slab showing 24 mothers of the Jinas,

each carrying a baby Jina

Kailāsa

Mt. Aṣṭāpada in the Himālayas

kaksāsana

seat-back; backrest

kalābo

carved block of stone placed over the sikhara's

skandha for holding flagstaff (late vogue)

kalaśa

"pitcher"; torus moulding; jar-shaped pinnacle of

śikhara

kalpavallī

kāmalatā

wish-fulfilling vine; kalpalatā

Kalyāņakas

auspicious events in Jina's life

Kalyāņatraya

Three auspicious events—renunciation, enlightenment and salvation—of Jina Aristanemi happened on Ujjayantagiri (Mt. Girnār), its

symbolic representation

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Kalyāṇatraya-patta two dimensional representation of three dimen-

sional symbolic representation of Kalyāņatraya

concept

Kamala-yantra tantric diagram involving full-blown lotus

kantha neck; recess between mouldings; kānthi, kanti

(Oriyā)

kapilī wall projecting in front of the sanctum

connecting it with hall; a vestibule connecting

prāsāda with maņdapa

kapotapālī, kapotālī

kapotapālikā cyma-eave/cornice

kapotikā minor cyma-eave

karanda literally basket; sort of whorled diadem

karanda mukuta mitre of the karanda type

karma "deed"; complex spirelet with several miniature

andaka-spirelets

karna angle, corner; corner wall-division

karnadardarikā cyma recta moulding with arris in the concentric

ceilings

karnaka arris moulding in a base; also with pillar capital

karņakūţa miniature square temple at the corner of super-

structure

karnandaka corner amalaka in venukośa

karna-pitha base having an arris moulding but without gaja-,

aśva-, and narapītha mouldings

karnikā knife-edged arris moulding; minor karnaka

karotaka "bowl"; large circular ceiling

kati "waist"; wall (early synonym for janghā)

katibandhana waist-garment

katimekhalā waistband

kaţipaţţaka same as kaţibandhana

kāyotsarga

kāyavyutsarga standing erect posture with downward hanging

arms

kińkiņi, kiṅkiņī

kińkanikā miniature bell, generally suspended from chain

(decorative motif)

kinnara celestial birdman playing musical instrument

Kesaryādi prāsāda prāsādas of the series beginning with Kesari

keyūra armlet

kola "boar"; decorative, semi-circular coffered

component in a ceiling course

kolaja-lambana pendantive made up of kola courses

kota rampart; surrounding/enclosure wall

kumbha "pot" (inverted); vedibandha's second moulding

in the sequence of five

kumbhaka pillar base

kumbhikā base of pillar/pilaster, usually smaller than

kumbhaka; basal part of stambhaśākhā in a

doorframe

kumuda torus moulding of a base

Kūṭa superstructure-type

kūta square aedicule; spirelet; miniature kūṭāgāra

kūtākāra miniature kūṭa-shaped decorative motif on

āsanapatta's exterior profile

Kṣipta "thrown"; projected cusped course in a ceiling

kṣipta lūmā projected pendantive

Kşiptotkşipta ingoing as well as outprojecting course in a

ceiling

khalvaśākhā deeply carved recessed śākhā

khattaka ornate niche in a wall with parikarma-frame

khura basal plain moulding of vedibandha, below

kumbha

khura-kumbha complex of khura and kumbha mouldings

Reference Glossary 173

Lakṣmī-kamala huge flower of the species Victoria regia

lalāṭabimba

bimba crest figure, central (figural, rarely floral) symbol

on door lintel, generally indicative of the

presiding deity

lambana decorative central pendant in larger ceiling

Latina North Indian mono-spired sikhara-type with

curvilinear vertical bands (latās) usually bearing

jāla-pattern

lumbikā minor projecting corbel shaped (ribbed or

otherwise) bracket (for supporting nāyikā or

citraputrikā figure of a column in a hall)

lūmā cusped and downward projecting pendantive

Madhyabandha medial band (wall-pilaster decoration);

mediating ornamented (or plain) band of a wall

madhya-ratha central offset; bhadra

mahāpīṭha tall socle with additional set of upper mouldings

such as gajapītha, aśvapītha and narapītha; also sometimes vedibandha (for sāndhāra temples)

makara crocodile-monster; dolphin; sea-monster

makara-praṇāla makara-shaped gargoyle

makara-toraņa toraņa-arch disgorged from the jaws of opposed

makara-heads

mañca dais

mañcikā dais-like moulding supporting figure-bearing

niche

maṇḍapa hall, generally columnar

mandāraka projecting central part of ornate doorsill

mandovara temple's/closed hall's portion above jagatī or

pītha and below chādya; kaṭi; wall proper

manibandha band of gems, diamonds alternating with stylized

rubies as ornate miniature medallions (decorative

motif)

manipaţţī

manipattikā band of gems/jewels (decorative motif)

mardala type of drum

mañjarī spirelet

mälädhara garland-bearing vidyādhara

mālā-vidyādhara flying celestial angelic male figure carrying

garland

Miśraka "mixed"; composite pillar-type, vertically

combining various geometric sections from

square to circular

mithuna auspicious couple

Meghanāda storied semi-open or open columnar hall

mukhacatuṣkī four-pillared entry porch

mukhālinda front aisle; fore aisle

mukhamandapa front hall; entry hall; narthex

mukula

mukulikā floral bud (decorative motif)

mukuṭa crown, tiara

muraja type of drum

mülaghantā principal or topmost/crowning large bell-member

of the samvaranā or Phamsanā roof

mūlamañjarī principal spire in Śekharī/Anekāndaka śikhara;

műlasrnga

mūlanāyaka main enshrined deity

mulaprāsāda main shrine; shrine proper in relation to

subsidiary shrines

mūlaśrnga central spire in Śekharī/Anekāndaka śikhara;

mūlamañjarī

Nandīśvara-dvīpa seventh ring island continent of Jaina cosmo-

graphy

Nandīśvara-dvīpa-patta slab sculpted as symbolic representation of

Nandīśvara-dvīpa

Reference Glossary 175

Nandīśvara-patta sculptured slab showing the symbolic represen-

tation of the 52 shrines of the Nandīśvara-dvīpa

narapaṭṭikā band bearing human figures in procession

narapitha basal-course showing humans engaged in

manifold activities

navacatuşkya

navacatuşkī vestibule with nine bays arranged in three

consecutive and linked quadrants

Nava-nidhis nine mythical treasures

nidhi mythical treasure

Nābhicchanda ornate ceiling type with deep concentric cusped-

and-coffered courses or bands

Nābhimandāraka Nābhicchanda ceiling with a central lambana-

pendant

Nägara generic name for North Indian temple type

having Latina/Anekāndaka sikhara

nāla channel

nāla-maṇḍapa hall of the access-channel

nāyikā (figure of) female dancer showing various

abhinaya-expressions

Negameşa

Hari-Negameşa goat-faced deity used by Hari or Indra as his

executive

Padma lotus

Padmaka ceiling made up of lūmās

padmakesara staminal tube in the ceiling, projecting from the

kola, lümā, and lambana

Padmanābha ceiling type bearing lūmā-pendantives

Padmaśilā Samatala ceiling with full-blown centrally placed

lotus

padmāsana Yogic cross-legged posture

padmasarovara lotus/lily-bearing pond

pallava leaf

pañcaśākha

pañcaśākhā having five śākhās

pañcakalyāṇaka Five auspicious events of the Jina's life—

transmigration, birth, renunciation, enlighten-

ment, and salvation

pañcāṇḍaka (Kesari) Nāgara śikhara with one spire and four corner

spirelets

paṇava type of drum

parikara image-frame, often bearing retinue of subsidiary

figures panelled or otherwise

parikara-torana torana placed before the image

parikarma niche-frame

patra leaf, foliage

patraśākhā śākhā adorned with foliage

pațța band, register

paţṭaśālā lobby, cloister

paţţī

pattikā smaller band: rectilinear fillet

pīṭha pedestal; moulded base of structure

pīṭhikā image-pedestal

pedyā lower block of door-jambs (often carved with

figures of river-goddesses and door-guardians)

pāl ghāṭa (Gujarātī) carved motif formed as a miniature vase-and-

foliage

pārśva-catuṣkī lateral porch of a hall

pārśvālinda side aisle

Phāmsanā

Phamsanā tiered pyramidal roof-type

phamsākāra having tiered pyramidal form

phālanā minor offset demarcating planes

pradakṣiṇā circumambulation; (sometimes) ambulatory

passage

pramatha goblin; gaṇa, bhūta

praņāla water chute; conduit

pratiratha wall-offset flanking bhadra; anuratha (Eastern

India)

pratyanga quarter sikharas flanking the urahsinga or half-

sikhara at the bhadras

prākāra enclosure wall

prāsāda "palace", "mansion"; temple

prāsāda-pīţha temple-base

Rangamandapa open-type of pillared hall; nṛtyamandapa;

sabhā-mandapa

ratha bhadra

rathikā framed niche

ratna diamond or lozenge-shaped decorative motif

ratnabandha jewel-band

ratnapațța

ratnapaţţī band of diamond pattern; manipaţţa, manipaţţikā

ratnapaţţikā band of jewels

ratnaśākhā śākhā with jewel pattern

rājasena

rājasenaka broad ornate fillet as substructure of vedikā

fencing (usually decorated with diamond and double volute pattern; also with pramathas and bhāravāhakas in several early Mahā-Maru

instances)

rāsamandala dancers in circle

rekhā curvature of śikhara

rūpa figure; figural ornament

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rūpadhārā band bearing figures

rūpakantha recess carved with figures, in a ceiling

rūpapaţţī

rūpapattikā figure-bearing band; rūpadhārā

rūpaśākhā śākhā with figural ornamentation

rūpastambha pilaster-formed jamb, usually central in

doorframe and carved with figures

Sabhāmandāraka cusped-and-coffered ceiling 'Sabhāmārga' with a

central lambana-pendant

Sabhāmārga main ceiling of a hall with cusped-and-coffered

courses (of kolas and gajatālus)

Sahasrakūṭa temple with 100 turrets, symbolic representation

of (Jaina)

salilantara recess between wall-bays

Samalikā-vihāra-patta sculptured slab depicting the myth of the

founding of the Jina Suvrata's temple at

Bṛgukaccha

Samatala flat, ceiling type

Samavasarana Jina's three ramparted place of preaching,

symbolic representation of

Samavasarana chapel enshrining a Samavasarana

Sammetaśikhara Mount called Sammeta (or Sammeda)

Sammetasikhara-patta carved symbolic slab representing Mt. Sammeta

where 20 Jinas including Pārśvanātha attained

salvation

Sammetasikhara tīrtha holy Mt. Sammeta

samvarana tiered pyramidal roof-type with ribbed bell-

shaped members as decorative motif, placed in

rows at all tier-levels

sandhikşetra coupling-area

sandhipāla block concealing joints

sa-parikara Jina-pañcaka (figures of) five Jinas set within a parikara-frame

Reference Glossary 179

sapta-kolaja pendant having seven kolas

sapta-kolaja lambana pendant made up of seven kola courses

Saptatiśatabimba large sculptured slab showing 170 Jinas of the

rare and most glorious cycle of time

Saptatiśatayantraka same as above

Sattarisaya-Jina-patta same as above

sopāna step

sopānamālā series of steps

sopāna-dvaya two steps of the pattaśālā-cloister

sopāna-traya three steps of the paṭṭaśālā-cloister

surasundarī heavenly damsel; apsaras, devānganā, consort of

the gandharva minstrel

skandha shoulder moulding; flat upper platform/terminal

cyma moulding of śikhara; visama/bisama,

kāndhi (Oriyā)

skandha-paṭṭa flat band replacing the carved shoulder moulding

of sikhara

stambha pillar

stambhaśākhā śākhā in the form of a pillar

svastika well-known auspicious symbol

sāndhāra temple having an inner ambulatory passage

around the sanctum

śańkhapāla celestial blowing conch at the apex of a western

Indian Jina-parikara frame

śālā nave; oblong hall

śākhā decorative door-band; door-jamb

śāsanadevī

śāsanadevata female presiding or guardian deity of the Jaina

church

śankhāvarta moon-stone with conch-terminals

śatadala hundred-petalled lotus

Śekharī complex multi-spired superstructure type

śikhara tower, spire (North India)

śikharikā minor spire

śukanāsa

śukanāsikā antefix above the roof of the kapilī

śrāvaka male Jaina lay-adherent

śrāvikā female Jaina lay-adherent

śrnga spirelet; anga-śikhara (Oriyā)

şaţcatuşkya

satcatuskī six-bayed vestibular antechamber between the

gūdhamandapa and the rangamandapa

Tantraka upper projecting section of a lintel

tilaka bell-topped miniature niche or hall-aedicule

tīrthańkara Arhat, Jina

toraņa gateway; arciform gateway-pattern

tri-aṅga

tryanga with three planes of offsets in plan and elevation

trika mukhamandapa; pillared entry hall between the

rangamandapa and the gudhamandapa

triśākha

triśākhā doorframe having three jambs

țilās (Gujarātī) small metal appendages fixed on the body parts

of a Jina image, to which pūjā is offered

thakāra minor caitya-dormer; candraśālikā

Udgama pediment of interconnected gavākṣa-dormers

udumbara threshold; doorsill

upakaraņa useful objects in possession of a friar

upāsaka śrāvaka; male Jaina lay-adherent

Reference Glossary 181

upāsikā śrāvikā; female Jaina lay-adherent

uraḥghaṇṭā leaning half-bell

uraḥśṛṅga leaning half-spire in Anekāṇḍaka śikhara

utkşipta thrown in

utkṛṣṭa-kāla rare time phase when 170 Jinas are born in lieu of

single

uttaranga architrave of the entablature; lintel, beam

uttānapaṭṭa pavement (in compound or on platform)

ūrmivallī imaginary creeper of foam; kalpavallī; ūrmivelā

(Gujarātī)

Vajra thunderbolt

vajraghaņṭā ghaṇṭā with a thunderbolt shaped handle

vajraśrnga pointed field where two kolas meet in a series

valli

valli creeper, scroll (decorative motif)

vallīśākhā śākhā carved with creeper design

vasatī

vasatikā Jaina temple; vasahī (Prākrta); also monastery

vidyādhara flying celestial angel; bracket in the rūpakantha

of a ceiling

Vidyādevī Jaina personified magical power, 16 in number

vihāra Buddhist monastery; medieval Jaina temple;

vasatī

vikarna intermediate/sub-cardinal direction

vikarņa-vitāna triangular decorated ceiling-slab at sub-cardinal

position

Vis-viharamāna-Jina-paṭṭa sculptured slab showing 20 Jinas currently

preaching in the mythical Mahāvideha-kṣetra of

the Jaina cosmography

vitāna ceiling

vedī altar; plank-moulding below the grīvā-śikhara

vedibandha aggregate of five basal wall-mouldings,

consisting primarily of khura, kumbha, kalaśa,

antarapaţţa, and kapotapālī

vedikā railing; balustrade

vedī-kakṣāsana vedikā with the seat back above

venukośa "bamboo-sheath"; outer nodal sheath of

curvilinear spire, usually showing karnandakas/

bhūmi-āmalakas

vyāla composite fantastic animal; mythical fabulous

creature; varāla; virāla

Yakşa male demigod with benevolent as well as

malevolent aspects; protecting male divinity associated with Jina and guardian deity of Jaina

church

Yakşī female divinity associated with Jina and guardian

deity of Jaina church

yantra magical diagram

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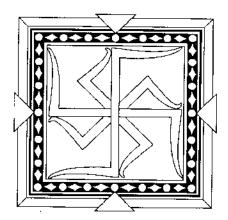
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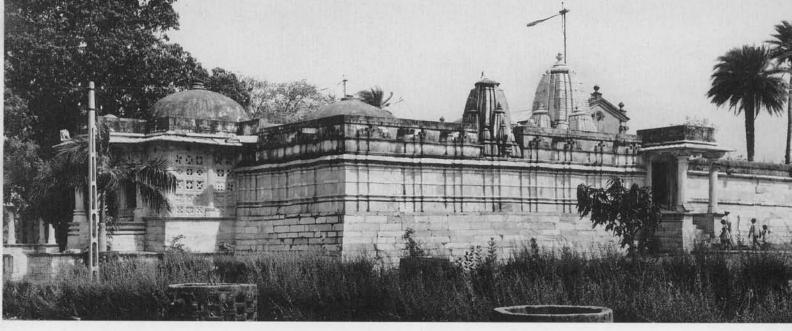
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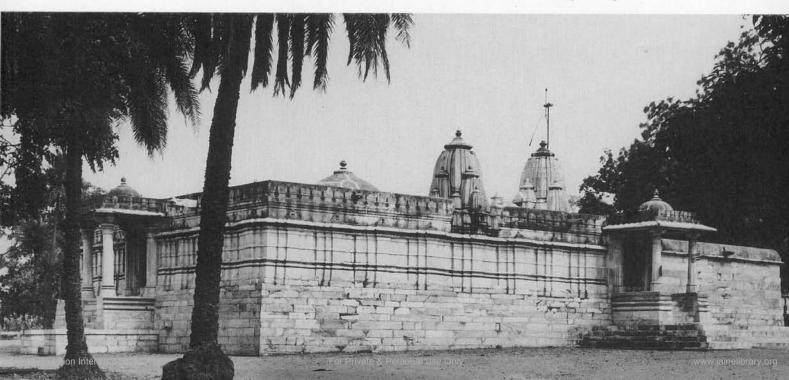
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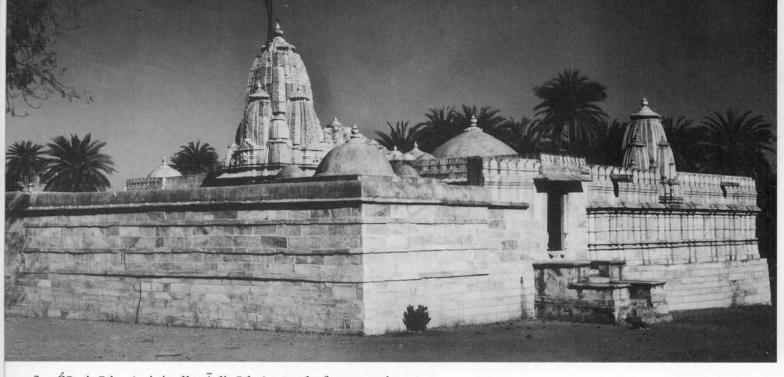




1. Kumbhāriyā. Mahāvīra temple from northwest. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1062.

2. Kumbhāriyā. Śāntinātha (originally Ādinātha) temple from northwest. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1082.





3. Śāntinātha (originally Ādinātha) temple from southeast.

4. Kumbhāriyā. Pārśvanātha temple from northwest. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1100.





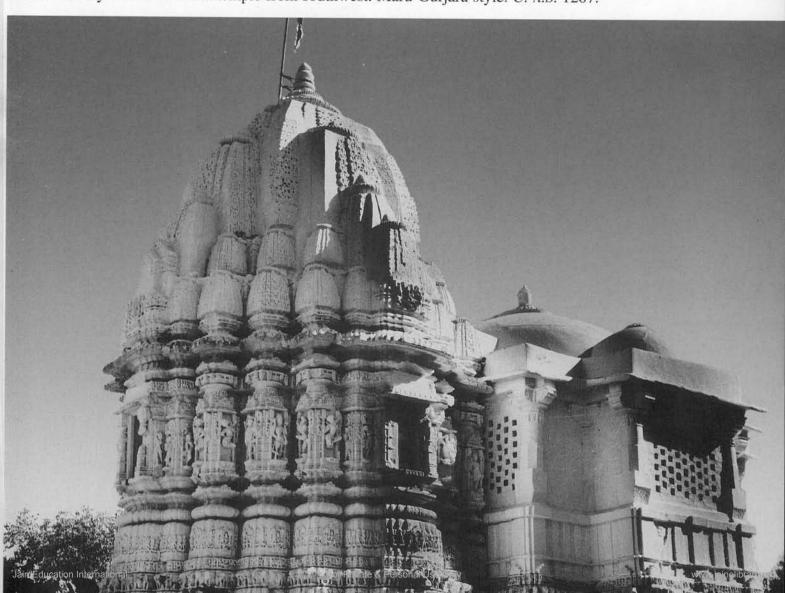
5. Kumbhāriyā. Neminātha temple from north. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1137-1254.



6. Neminātha temple from east-northeast.



- 7. Kumbhāriyā. Sambhavanātha (originally Śāntinātha) temple from east. Maru-Gurjara style. After A.D. 1232.
- 8. Kumbhāriyā. Kumbheśvara temple from southwest. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1207.

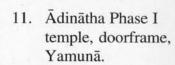




9. Kumbhāriyā. Ādinātha Phase I temple, garbhagṛha-doorframe. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* A.D. 1031. (Now in Śāntinātha i.e., Ādinātha Phase II temple.) [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



 Ādinātha Phase I temple, doorframe, Gaṅgā.



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 Ādinātha Phase I temple, doorframe, bāhya- and vallīśākhā detail, proper right.

13. Ādinātha Phase I temple, doorframe, bāhya-and vallīśākhā detail, proper left. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]





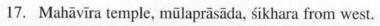
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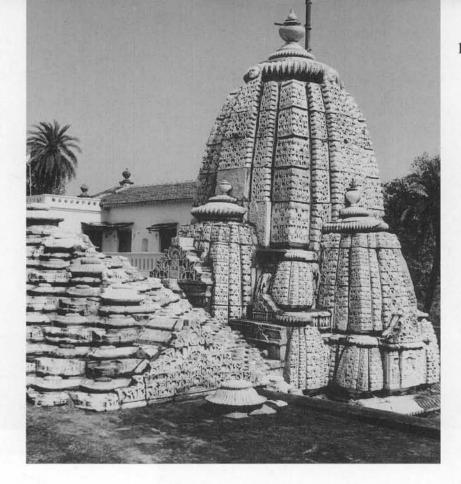
 Mahāvīra temple, mūlaprāsāda from south.



16. Mahāvīra temple, mūlaprāsāda and gūḍhamaṇḍapa, superstructures from southwest.







18. Mahāvīra temple,
mūlaprāsāda with
gūḍhamaṇḍapa,
superstructures from
northwest.
[Courtesy: Shardaben
Chimanbhai
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19. Mahāvīra temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, saṁvaraṇā. [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]



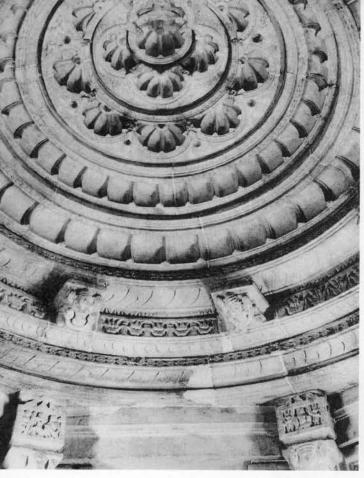
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20. Mahāvīra temple, mūlaprāsāda, lower structure from northwest.



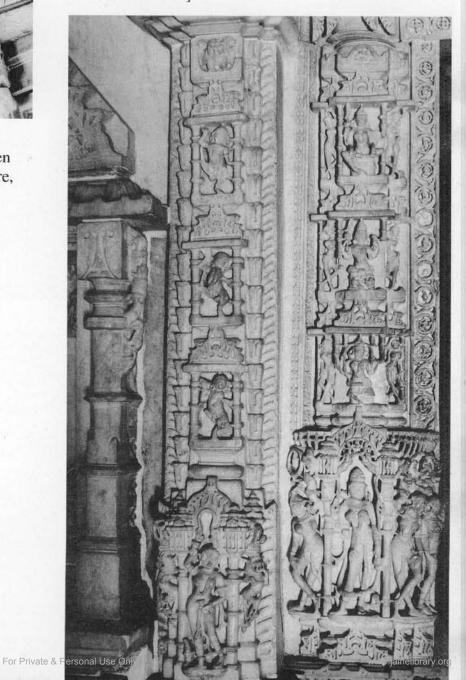
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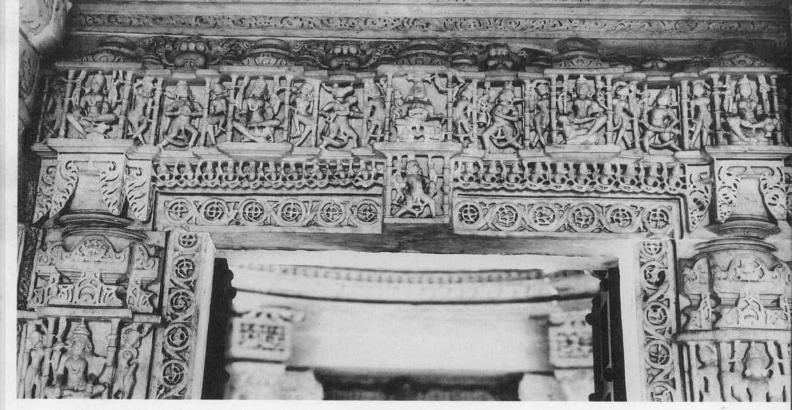


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23. Mahāvīra temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, doorjambs and wall-pilaster, proper right. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre,

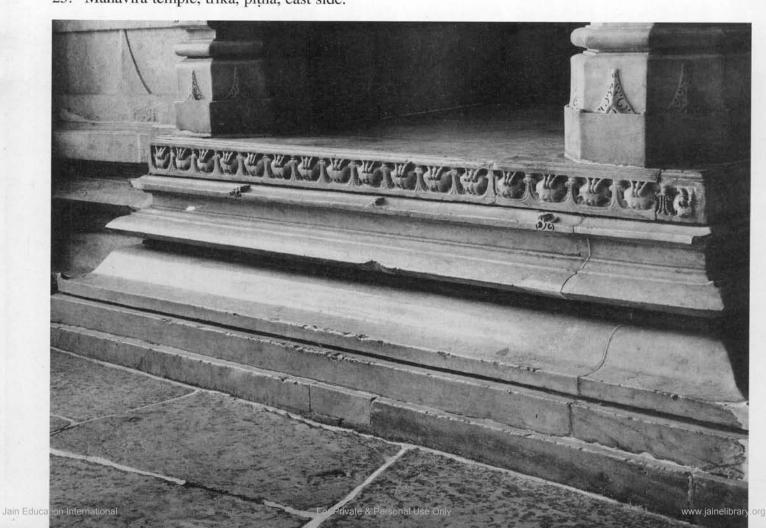
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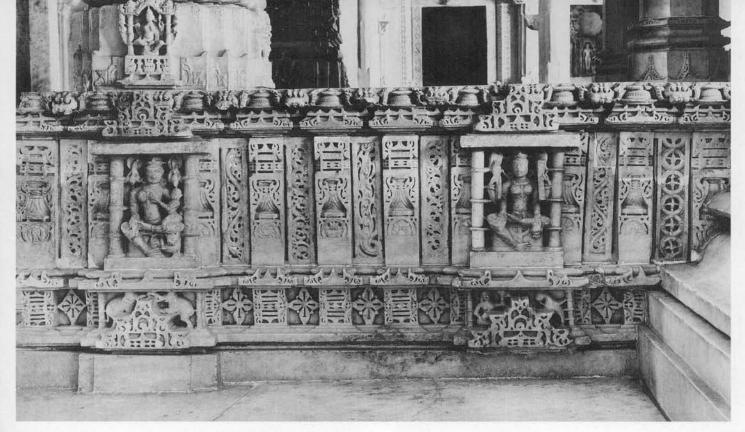




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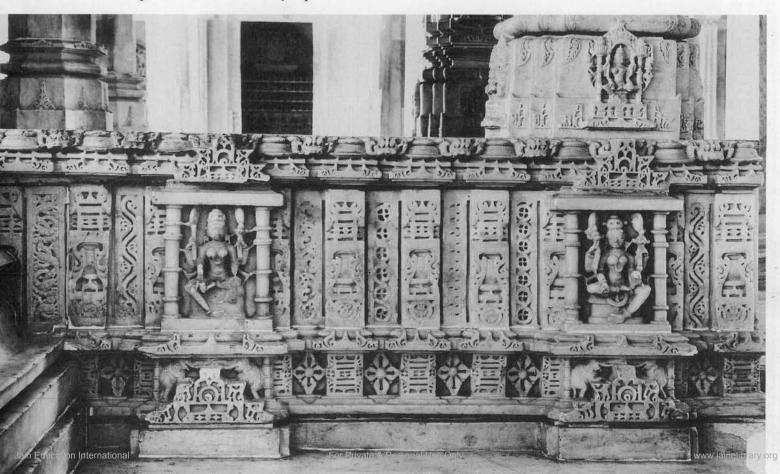
25. Mahāvīra temple, trika, pīṭha, east side.





26. Mahāvīra temple, trika, mukhacatuṣkī-profile, west.

27. Mahāvīra temple, trika, mukhacatuṣkī-profile, east.





28. Mahāvīra temple, trika, general view from northeast.



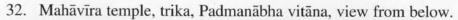
29. Mahāvīra temple, trika, general view from northwest.



30. Mahāvīra temple, trika, mukhacatuṣkī, frontal pillars with stairway between.



31. Mahāvīra temple, trika, Padmanābha vitāna above the staircase.

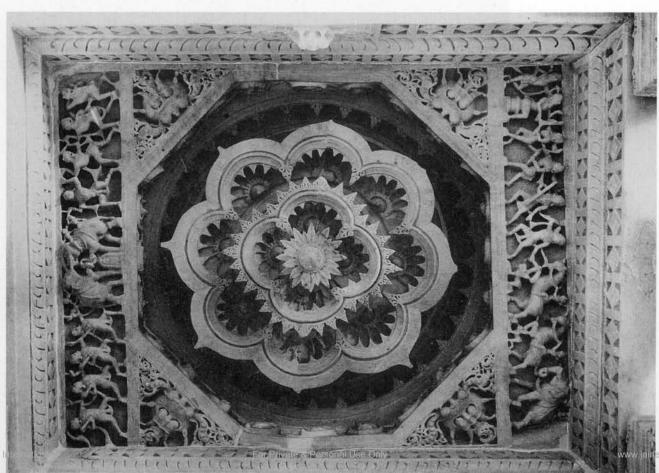






33. Mahāvīra temple, trika, Padmaka vitāna, to the right of Padmanābha vitāna. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

34. Mahāvīra temple, trika, Padmaka vitāna, view from below.

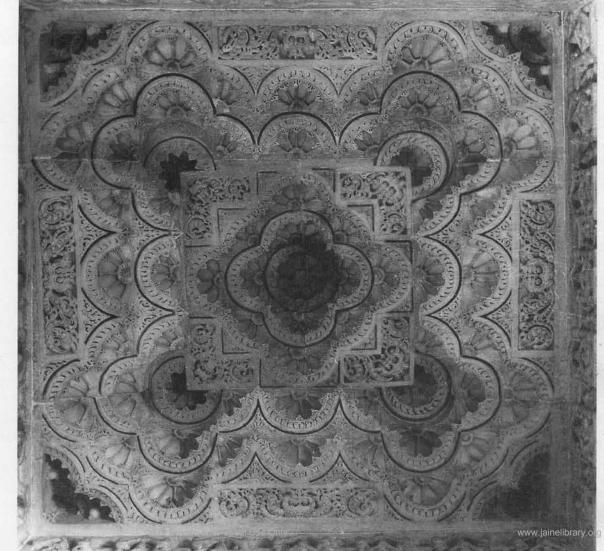


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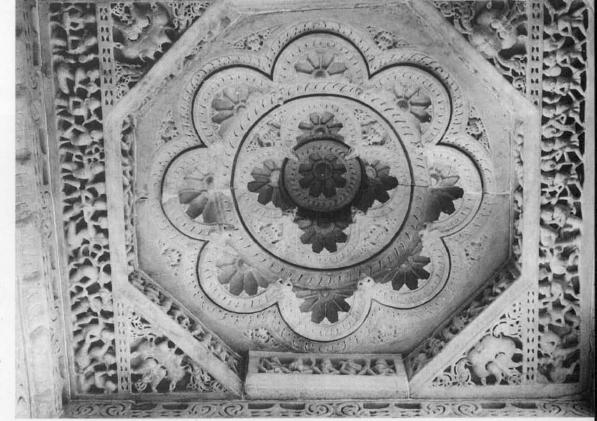
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35. Mahāvīra temple, trika, utkṣipta type of the Nābhicchanda vitāna, behind the Padmanābha vitāna.



36. Mahāvīra temple, trika, utkṣipta type of the Nābhicchanda vitāna, view from below. [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]



37. Mahāvīra temple, trika, Nābhicchanda vitāna, to the right of the utkṣipta-vitāna.

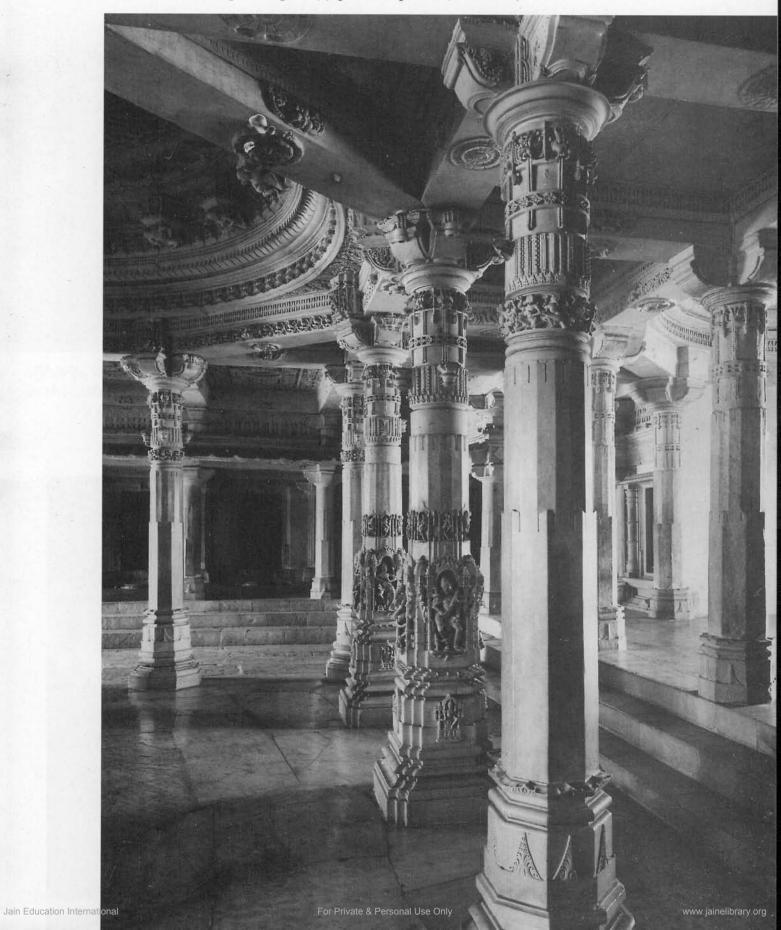


38. Mahāvīra temple, rangamandapa, view from trika.



39. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, another view from trika.

40. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, front pillars (north side).





41. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, view from southeast. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

42. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, bhadra-pillars, east, toraṇa.



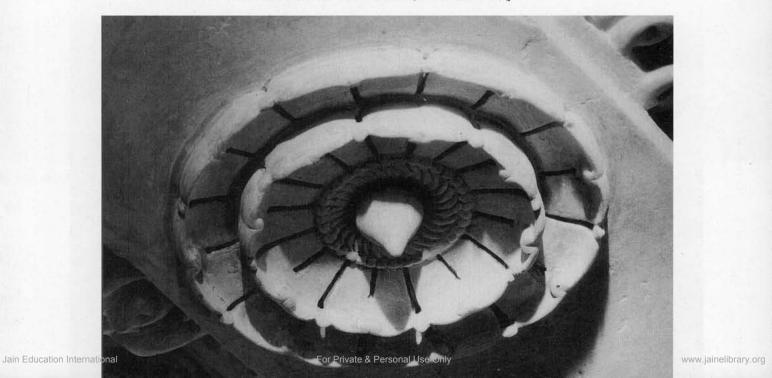


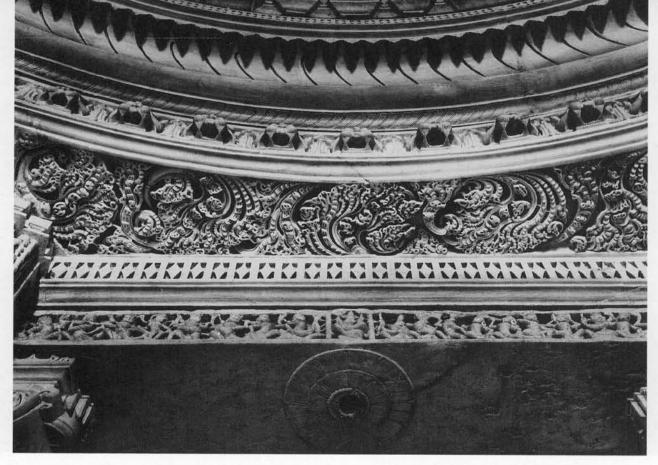
 Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, front pillar, jaṅghā, gandharva playing drum.



44. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, front pillar, upper belt showing nāyikās/surasundarīs.

45. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, lintel-soffit, lotus. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

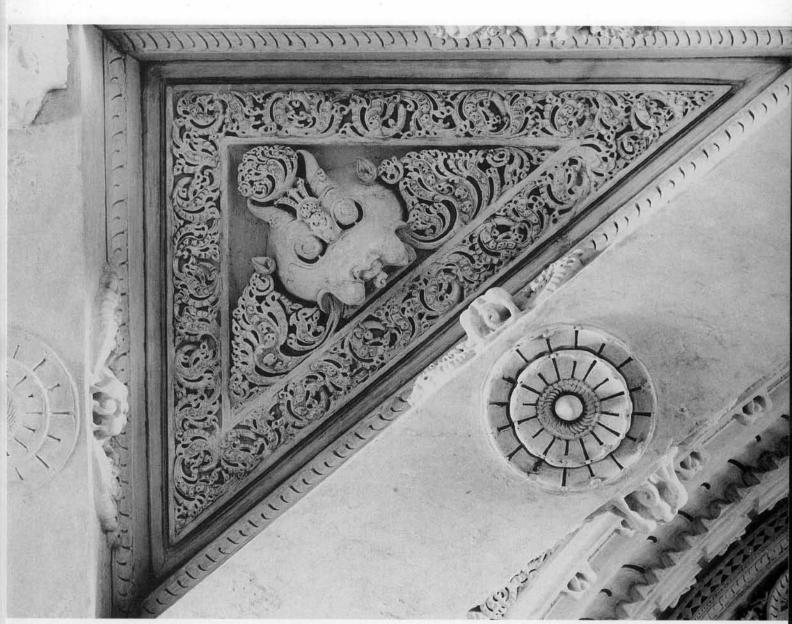




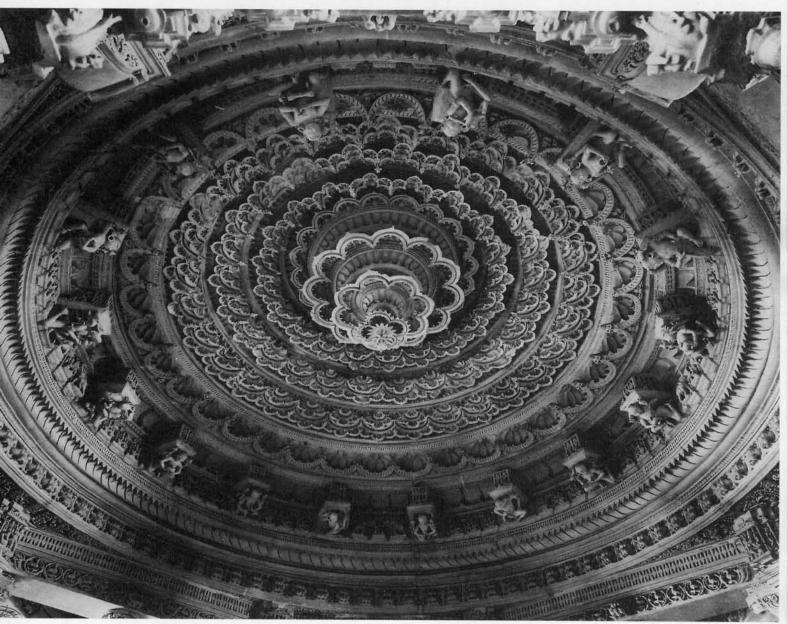
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47. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, karoṭaka, left out margin's carved soffit, northern.





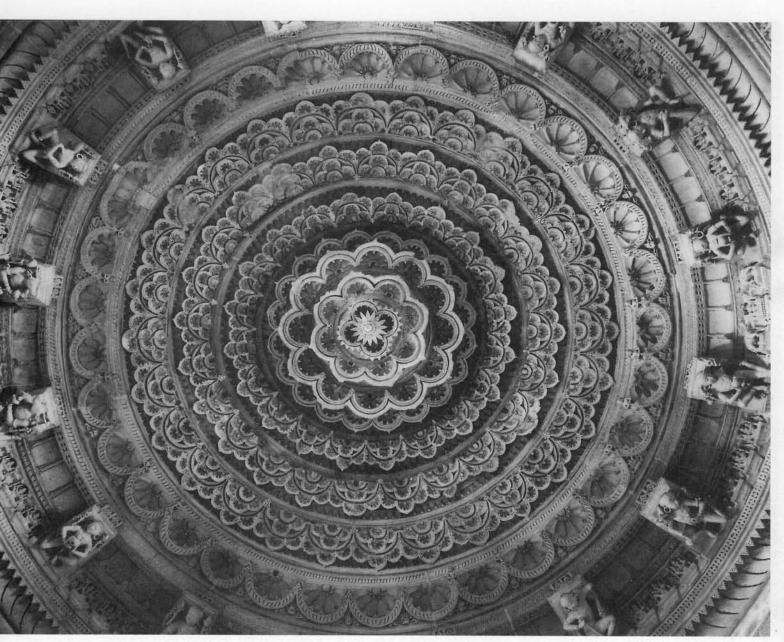
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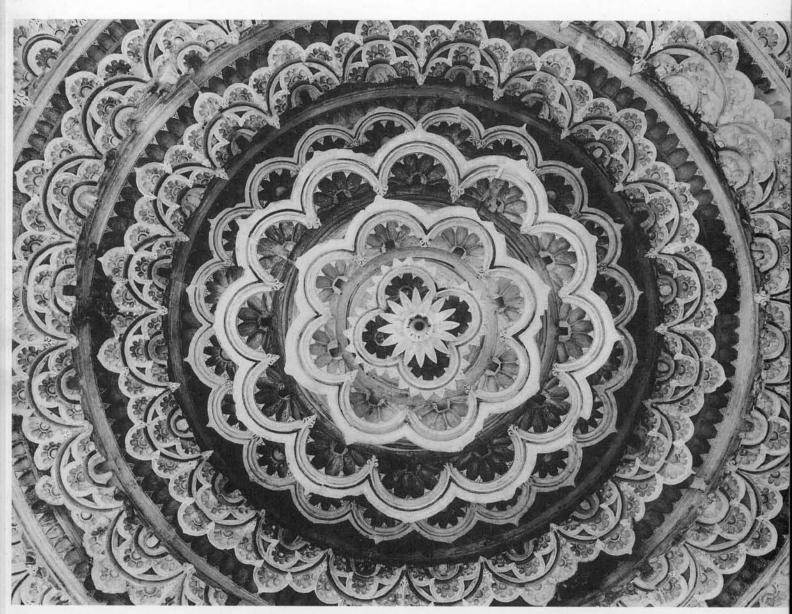
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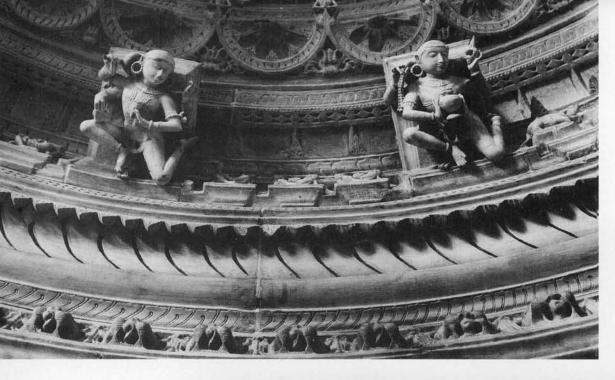
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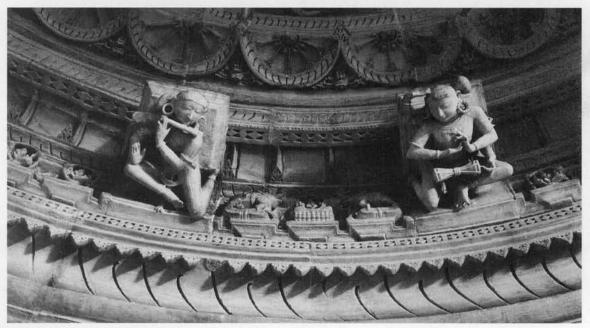
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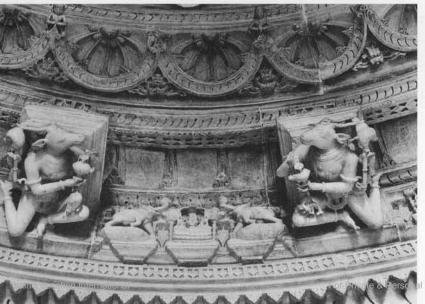
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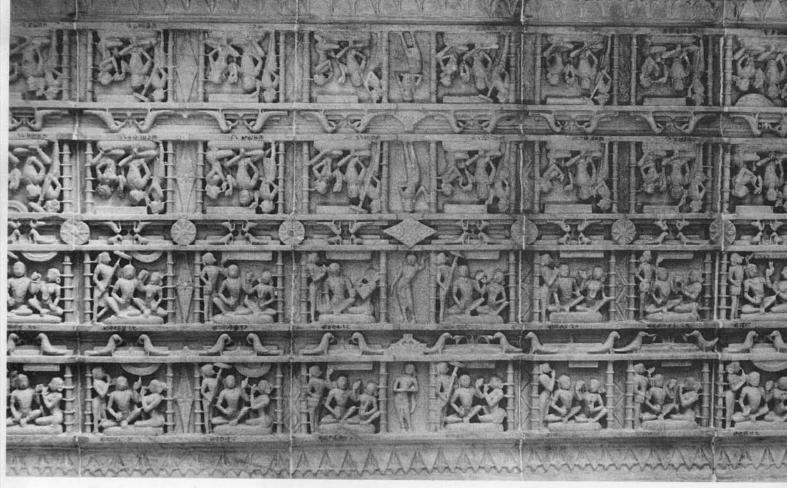
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54. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, rūpakaṇṭha with vidyādhara-brackets.

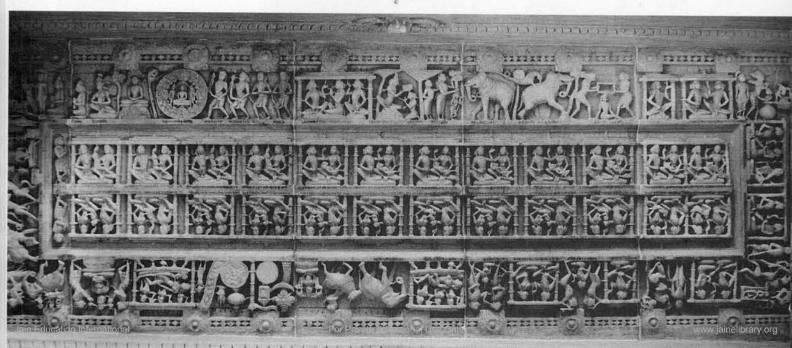


55. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, rūpakaṇṭha, southern bhadra, a pair of Negameṣa figures replacing vidyādharas on bracket-faces.



56. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank between the raṅgamaṇḍapa and the paṭṭaśālā, Samatala ceiling, first bay toward north. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

57. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, second bay, Samatala ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

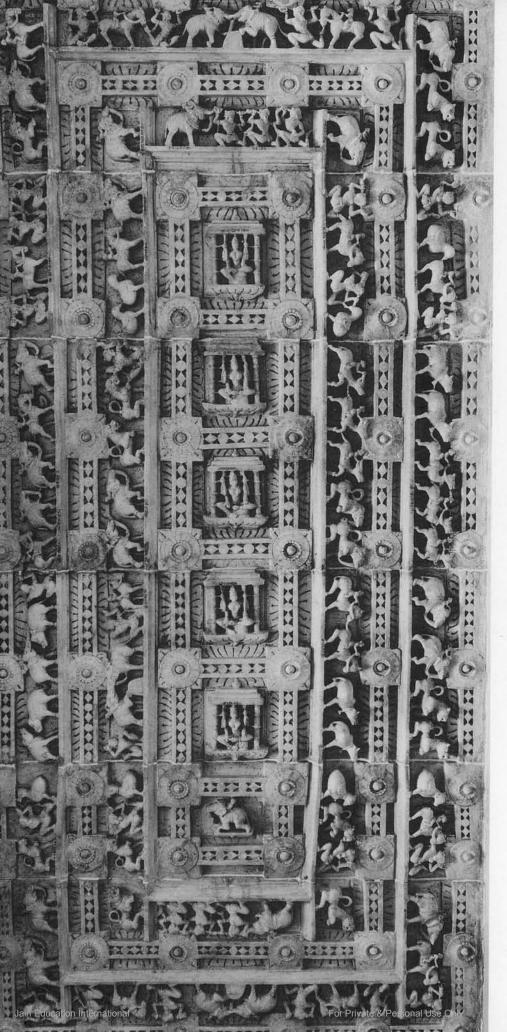




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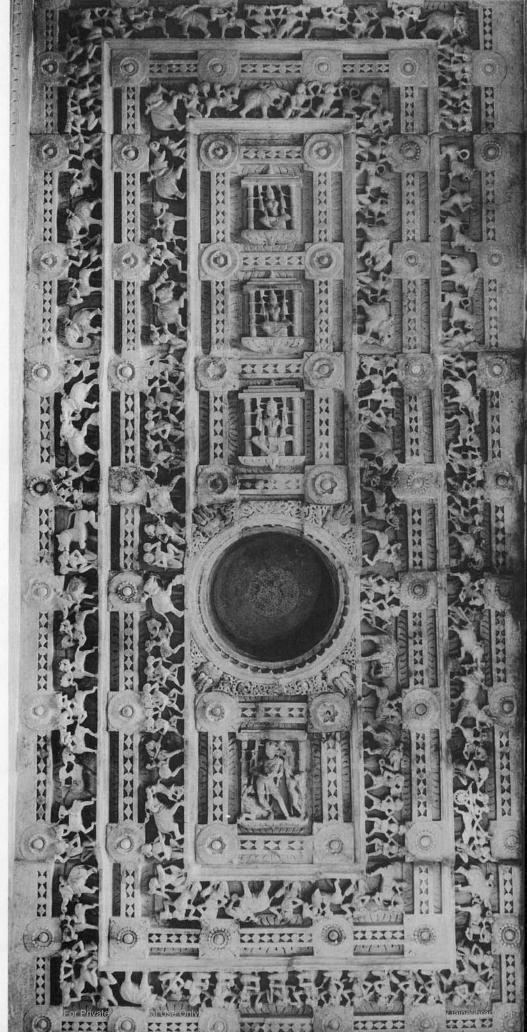
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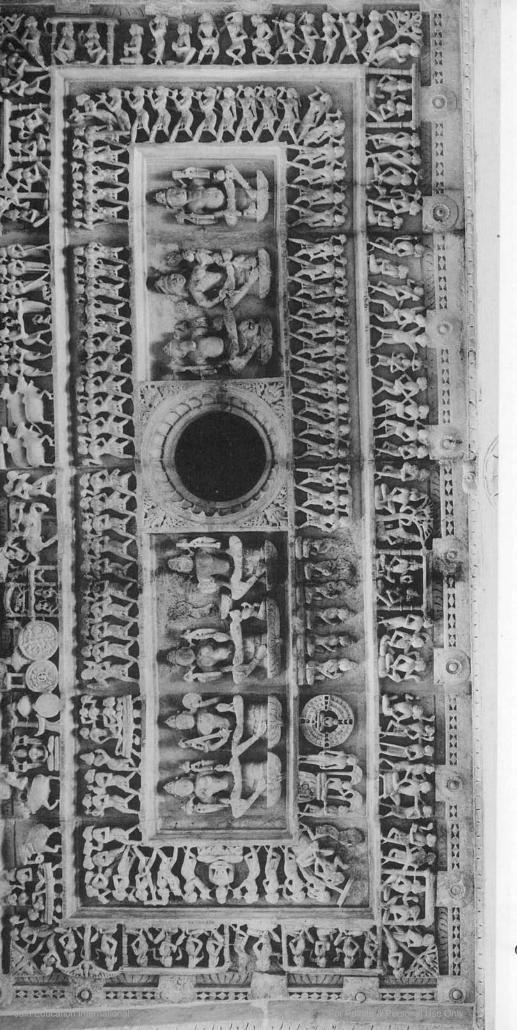




60. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, fifth bay, Samatala ceiling.

61. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, sixth bay, Samatala ceiling.

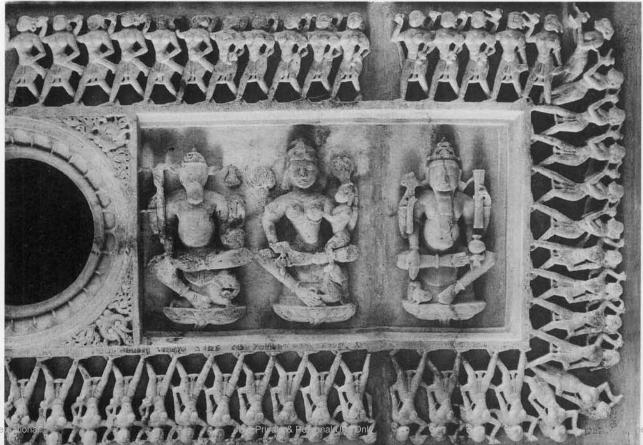


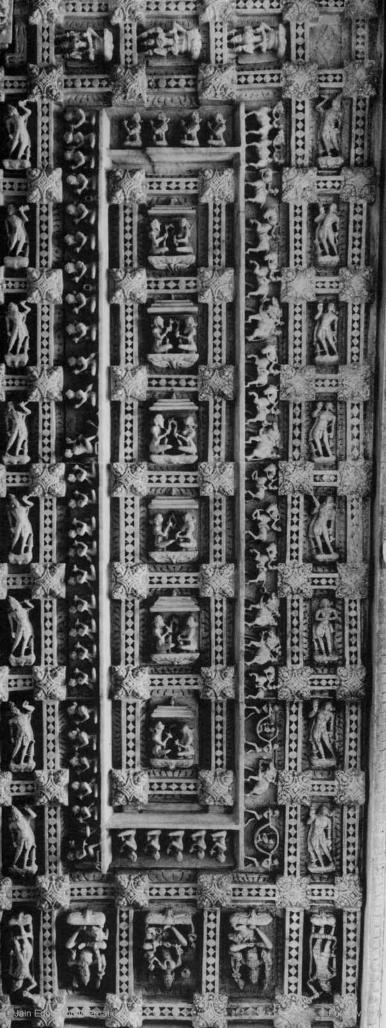


62. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, seventh bay, Samatala ceiling.



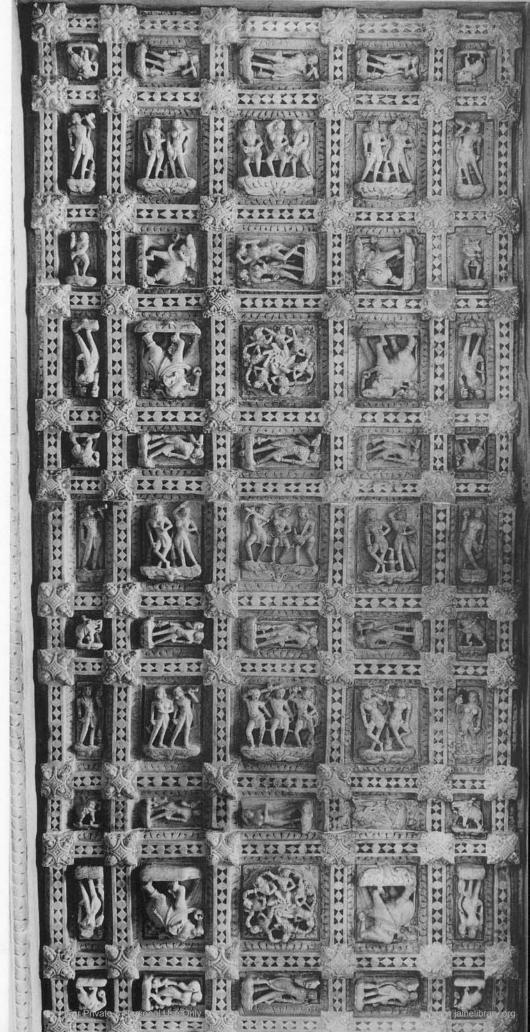
- 63. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, seventh bay, Samatala ceiling, detail.
 - 64. Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank between the raṅgamaṇḍapa and the paṭṭaśālā, seventh bay, Samatala ceiling, detail.

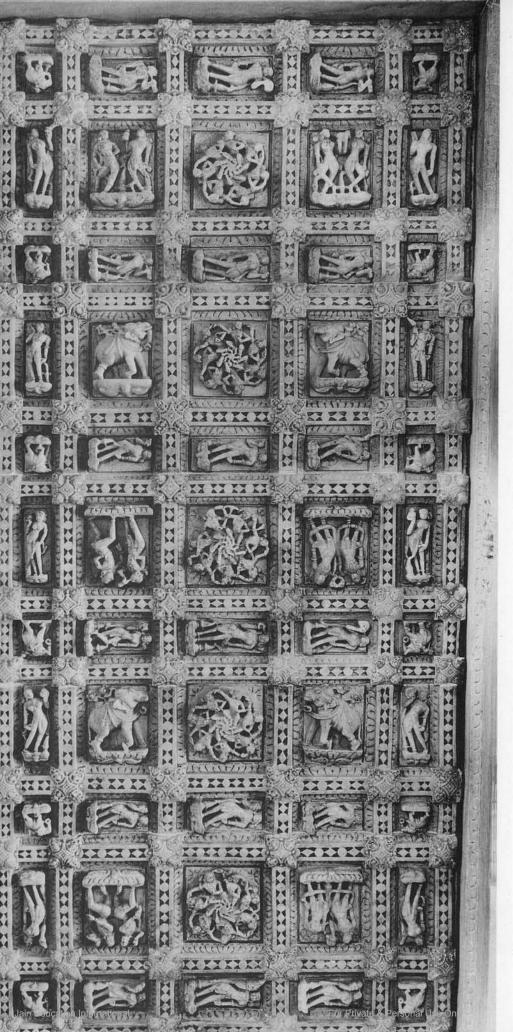




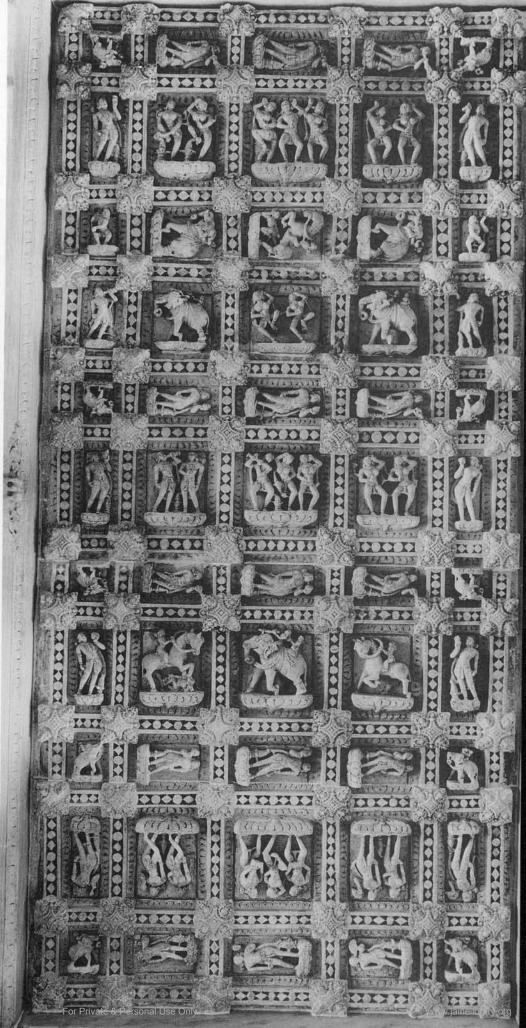
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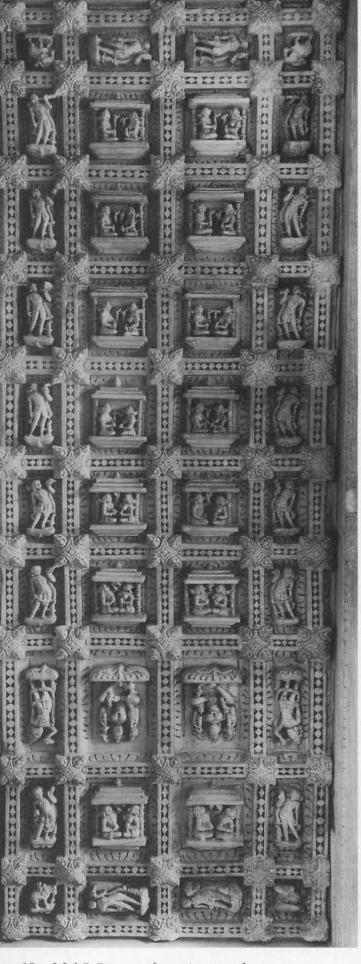
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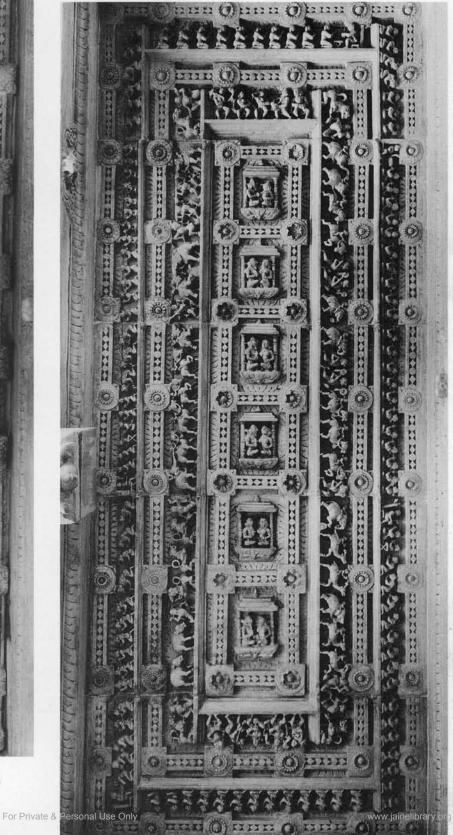
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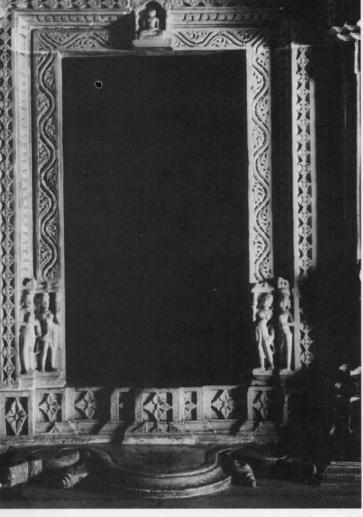
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70. Mahāvīra temple, rangamandapa, eastern flank, sixth bay, Samatala ceiling.





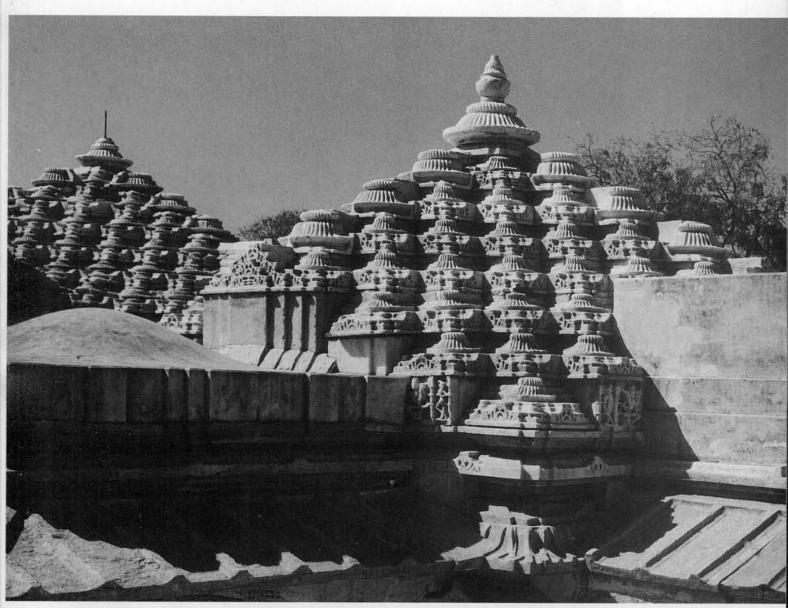
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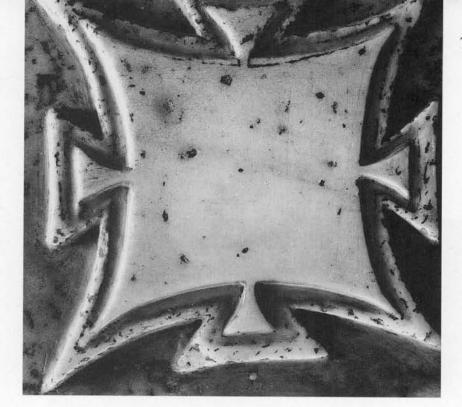
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73. Mahāvīra temple, Samavasaraņa-devakulikā, Samavasaraņa.





74. Mahāvīra temple, Samavasaraņa-devakulikā, samvaraņā.



75. Mahāvīra temple,
Padmasarōvara
symbol(?),
mukhālinda-bhadra,
carved on the floor,
north of
raṅgamaṇḍapa's
central octagon.
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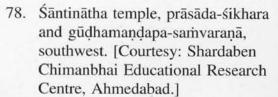
76. Mahāvīra temple, mukhamaṇḍapa, lateral semi-blind jālas, east.



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77. Kumbhāriyā. Śāntinātha temple, śikhara from south. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* A.D. 1082.



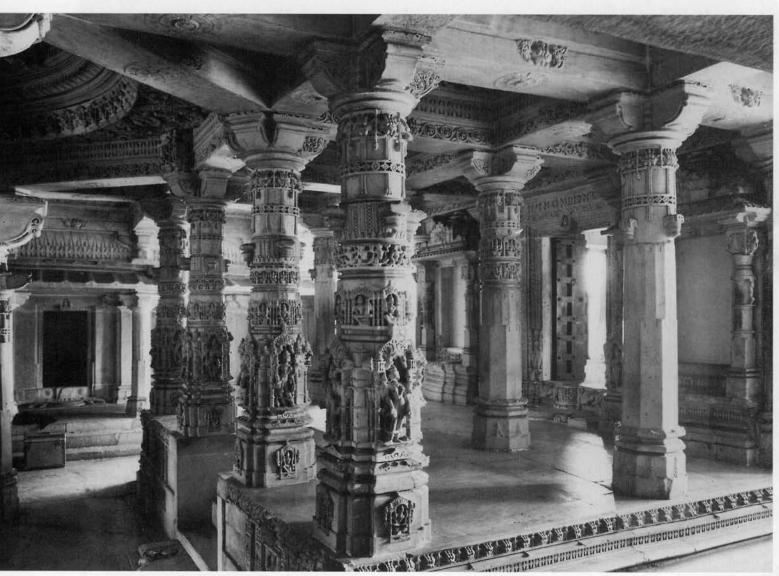




79. Śāntinātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmārga vitāna. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

80. Śāntinātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, khattaka.





81. Śāntinātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī from northwest.

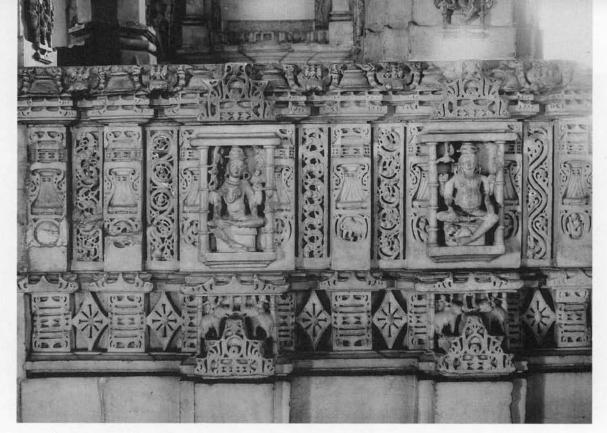


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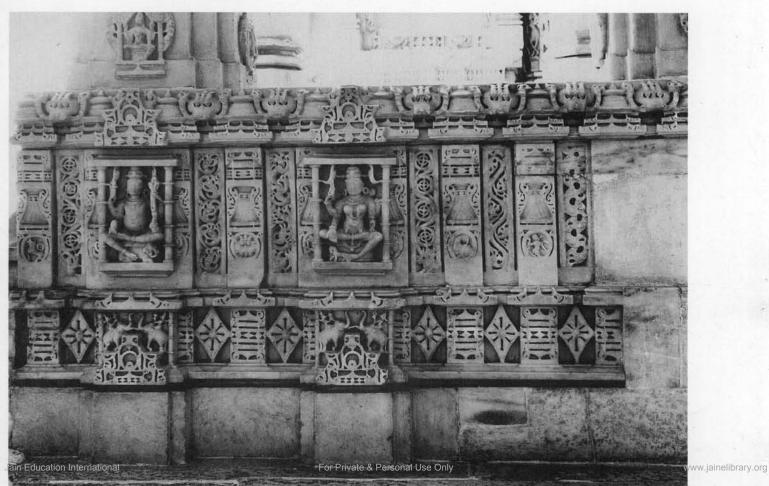


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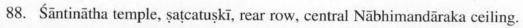
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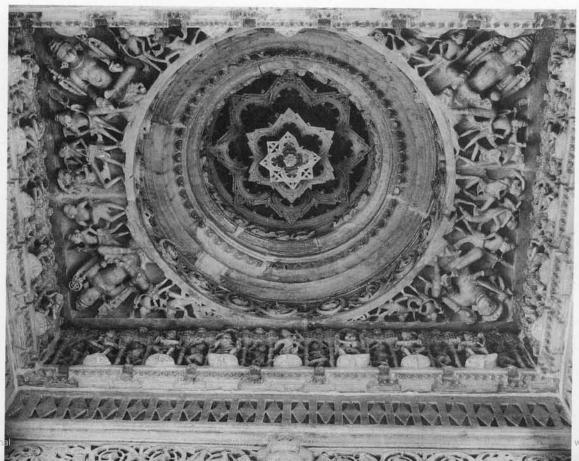
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87. Śāntinātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, front row, central Nābhimandāraka ceiling.



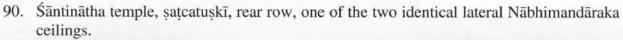


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89. Śāntinātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, front row, one of the two identical lateral Nābhimandāraka ceilings.





91. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa from the ṣaṭcatuṣkī.





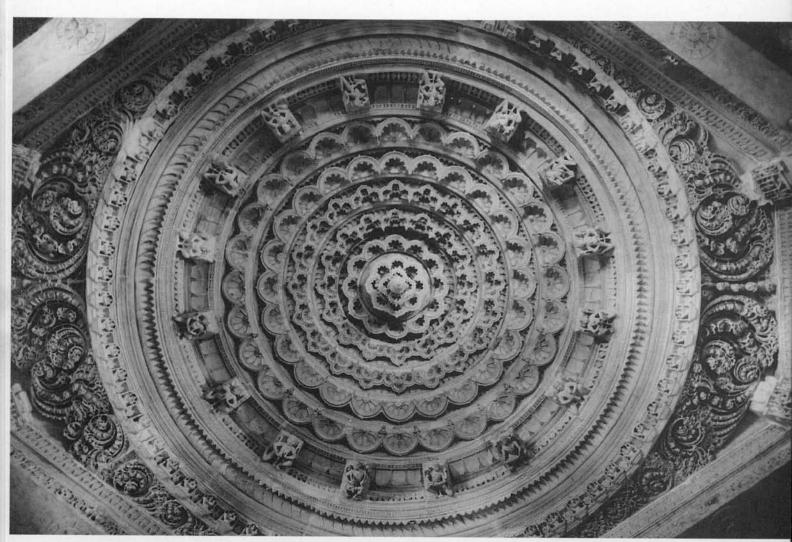
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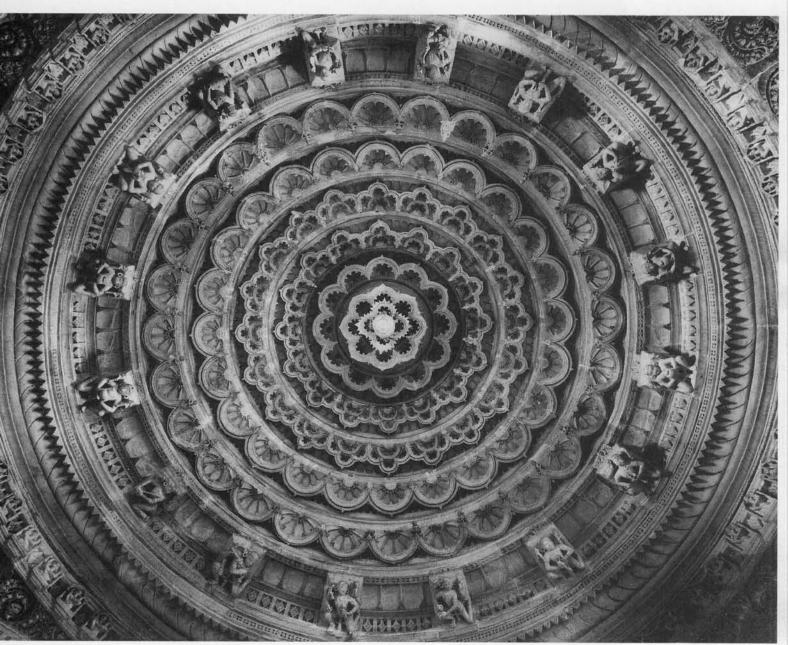
93. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, bhadra-toraṇa, west.

94. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, front four columns, north.

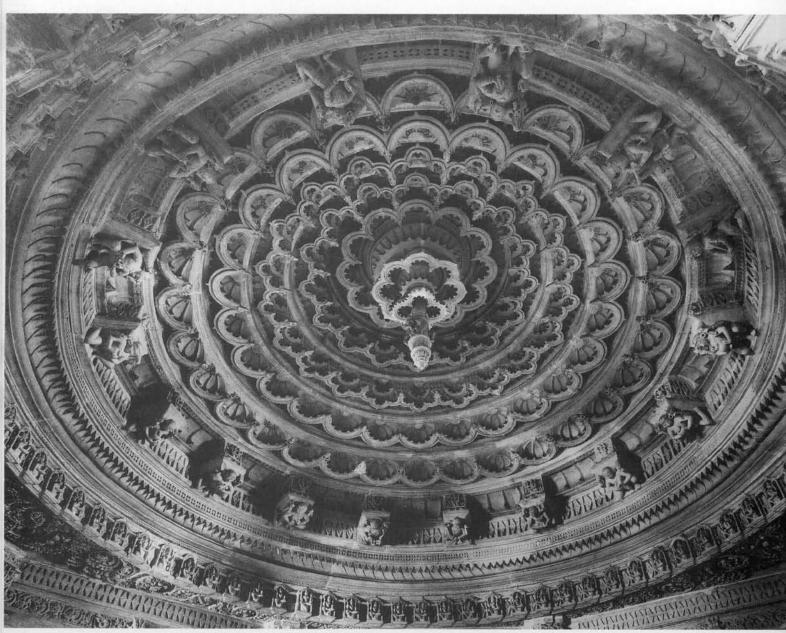




95. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, karoṭaka containing Sabhāmandāraka vitāna, view from the floor. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



96. Śāntinātha temple, rangamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, detail, view from the floor.



97. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna.

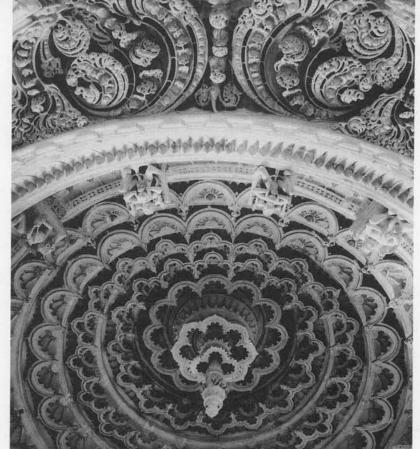


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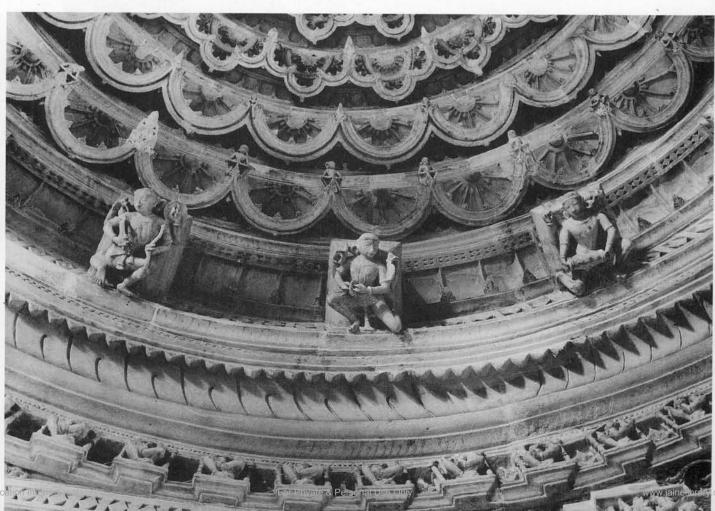
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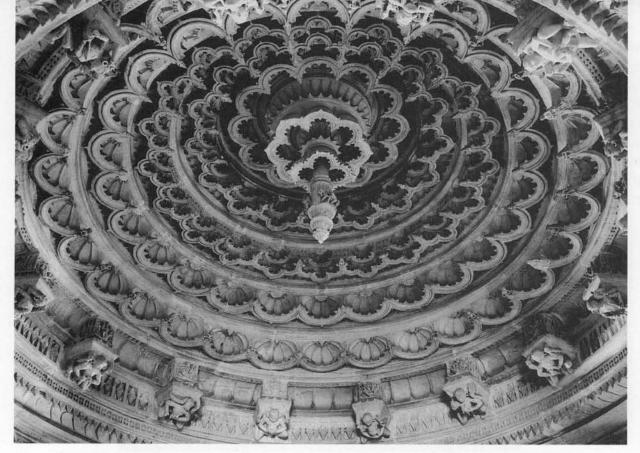


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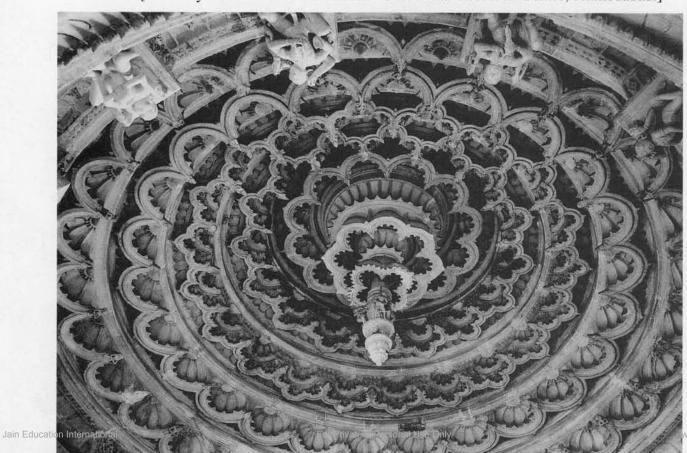
101. Śāntinātha temple, rangamandapa, Sabhāmandāraka karotaka-vitāna, vidyādhara-brackets and other details of the ceiling.





102. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, another view. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

103. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, central part, closer view. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



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104. Śāntinātha temple, rangamaṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-vitāna, kola courses and lambana, closer view.

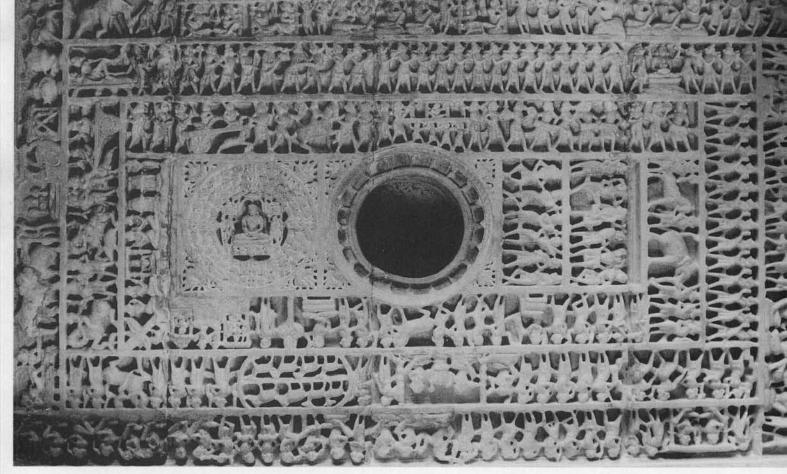




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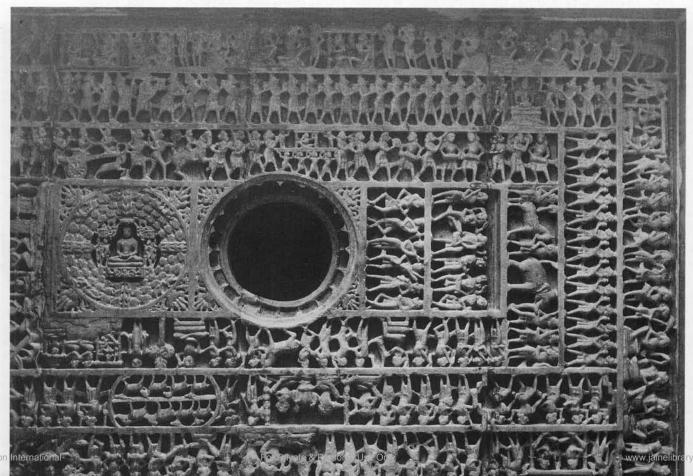
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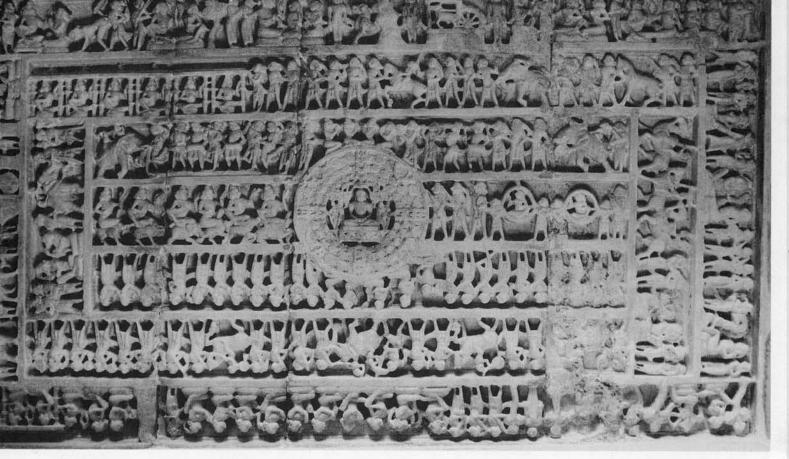




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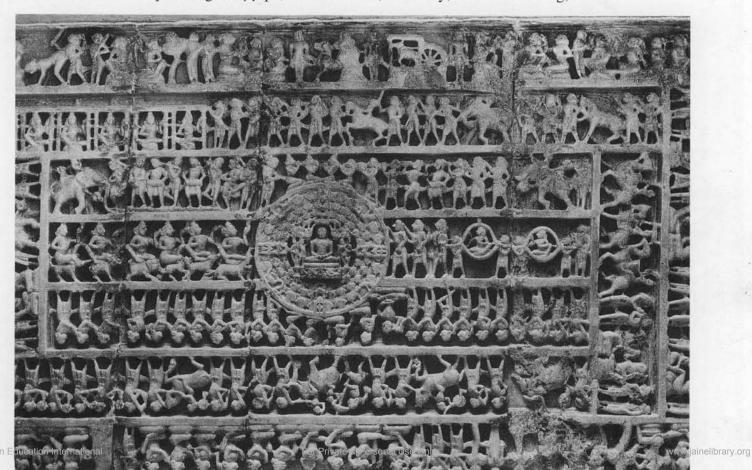
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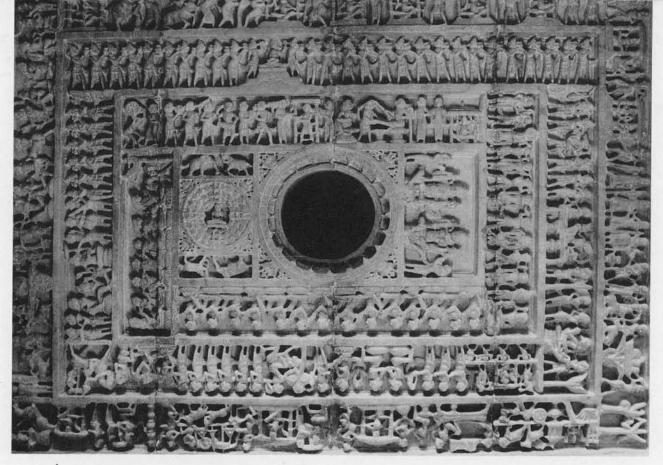




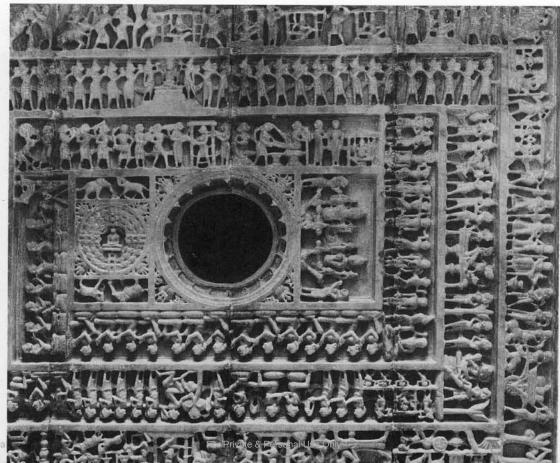
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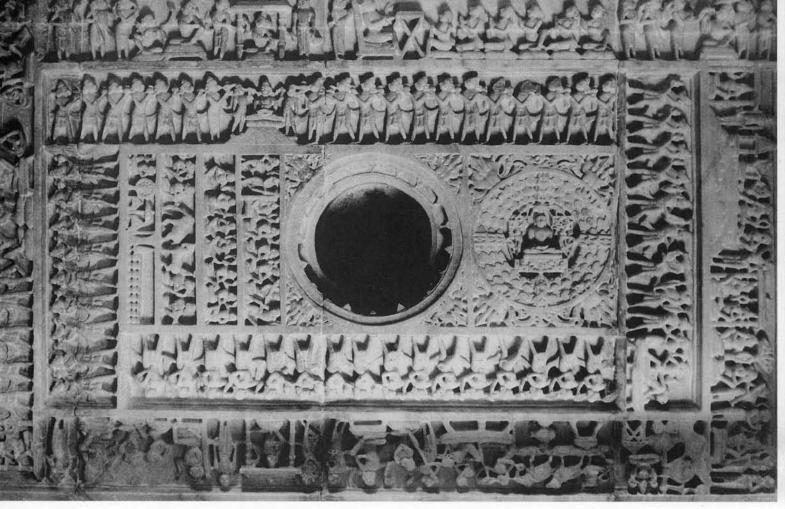
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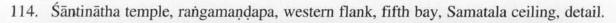


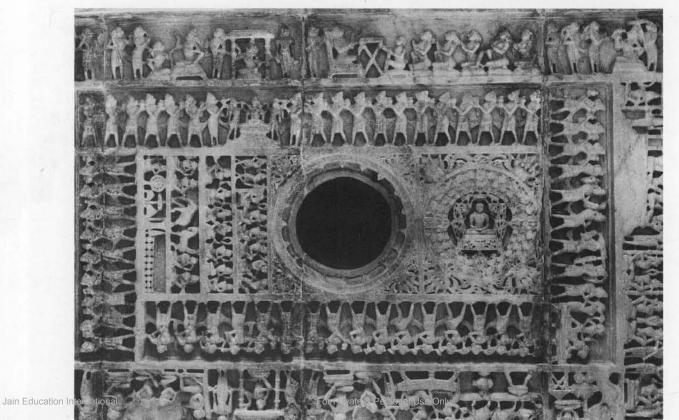
- 111. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, western flank, fourth bay, Samatala ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]
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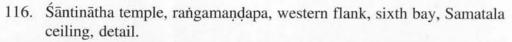
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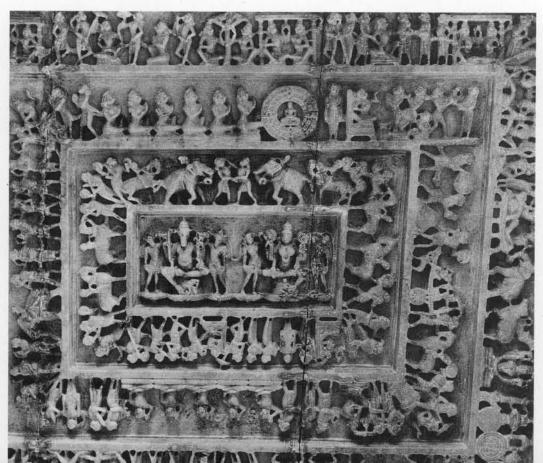


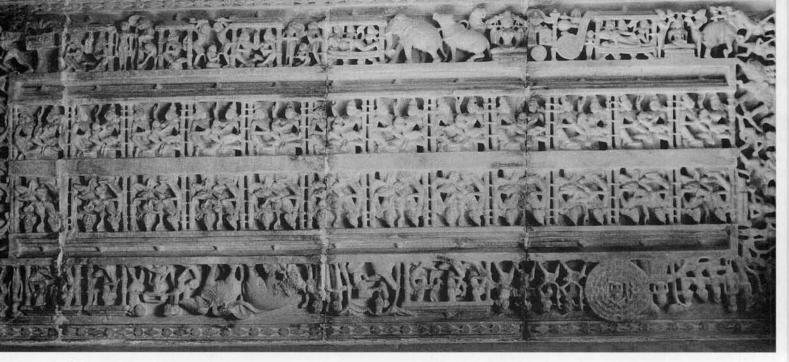




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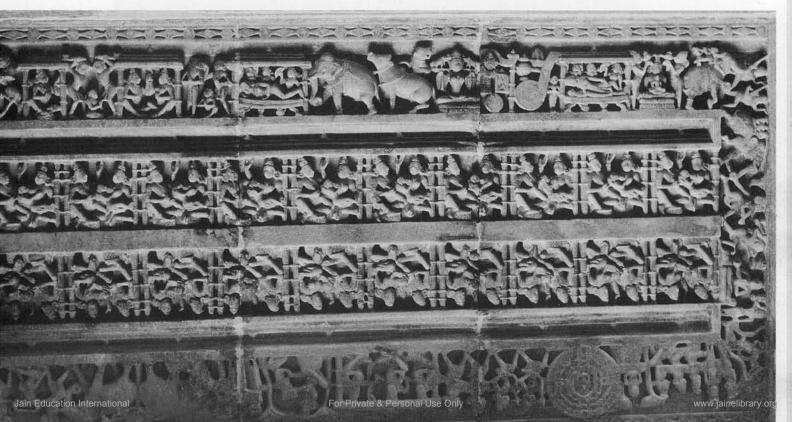






117. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, eastern flank, first bay, Samatala ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

118. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, eastern flank, first bay, Samatala ceiling, detail.



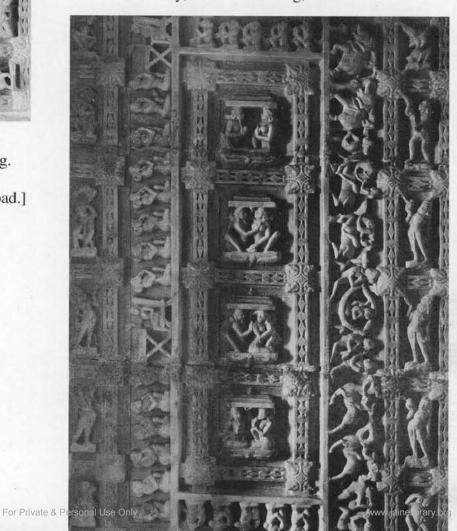
119. Śāntinātha temple, rangamandapa, eastern flank, second bay, Samatala ceiling, detail.

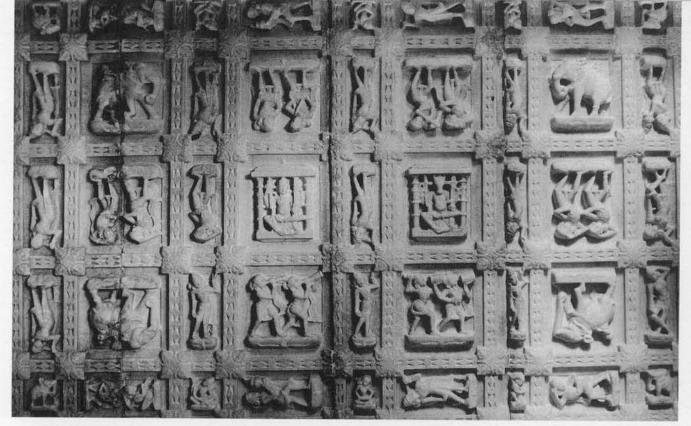




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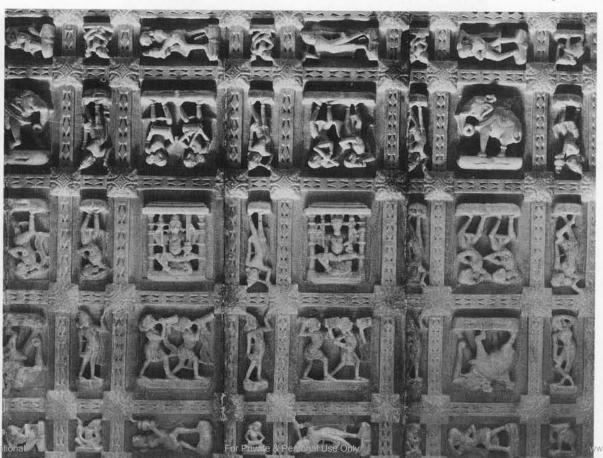
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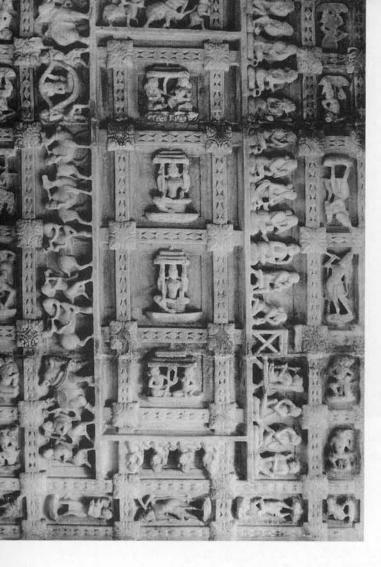




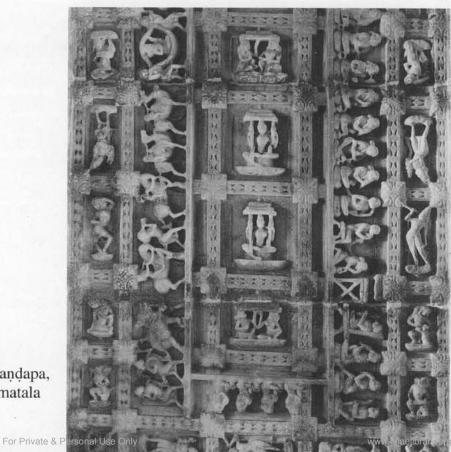
122. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, eastern flank, fourth bay, Samatala ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

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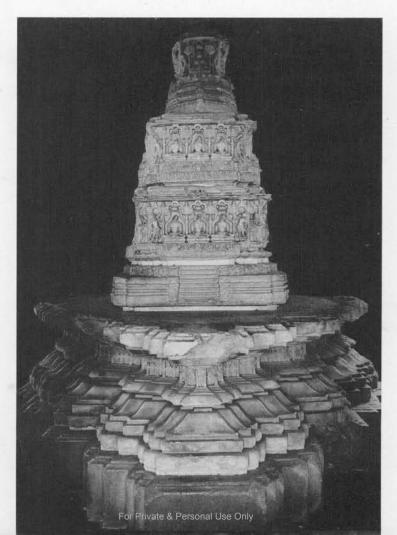
Śāntinātha temple, rangamandapa, eastern flank, fifth bay, Samatala ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



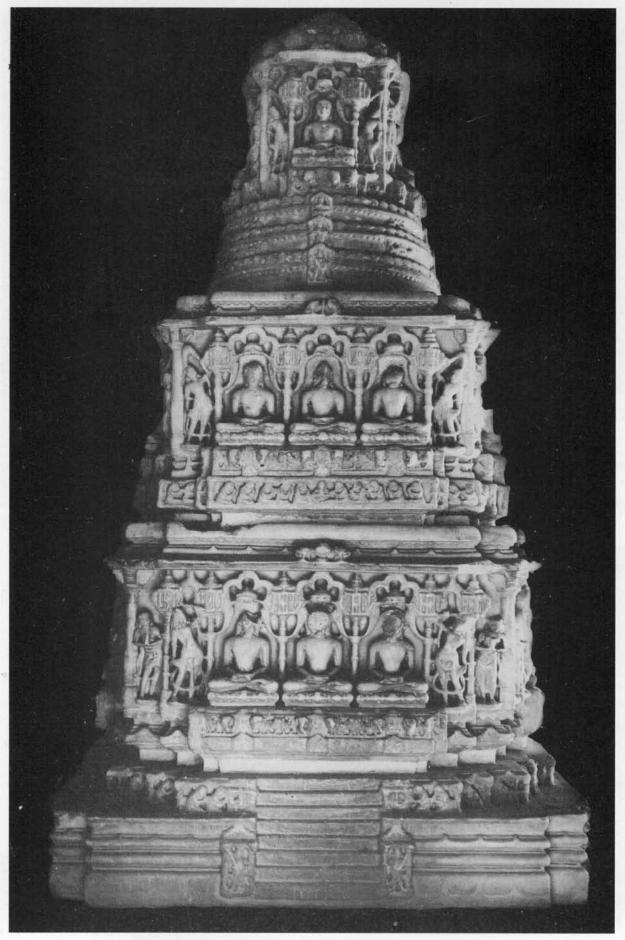
125. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, eastern flank, fifth bay, Samatala ceiling, detail.



126. Śāntinātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, eastern flank, sixth bay, Samatala ceiling, detail. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



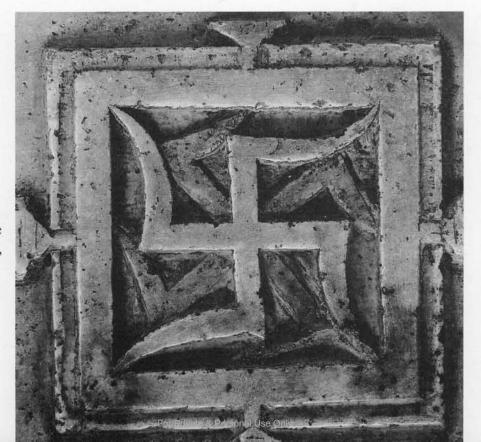
127. Śāntinātha temple,
Aṣṭāpada-kulikā,
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128. Śāntinātha temple, Aṣṭāpada-kulikā, Aṣṭāpada, closer view.



129. Śāntinātha temple, paṭṭaśālā, one of the carved lantern ceilings. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

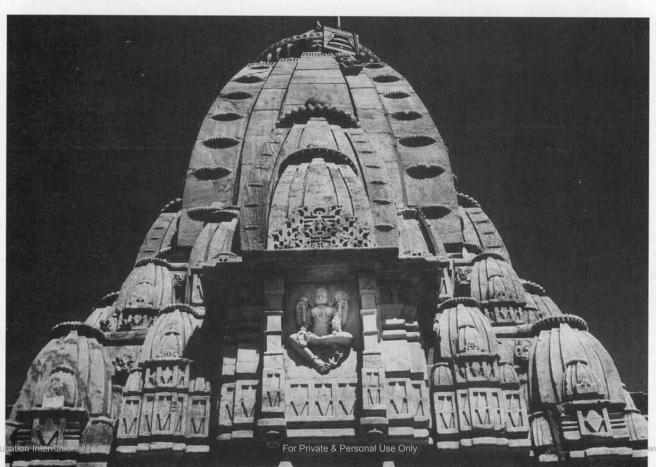


130. Śāntinātha temple, mukhālinda before the raṅgamaṇḍapa, floor, rotating Swastika symbol. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



132. Pārśvanātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, śikhara from southeast.

131. Kumbhāriyā. Pārśvanātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, śikhara from south. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* A.D. 1100.

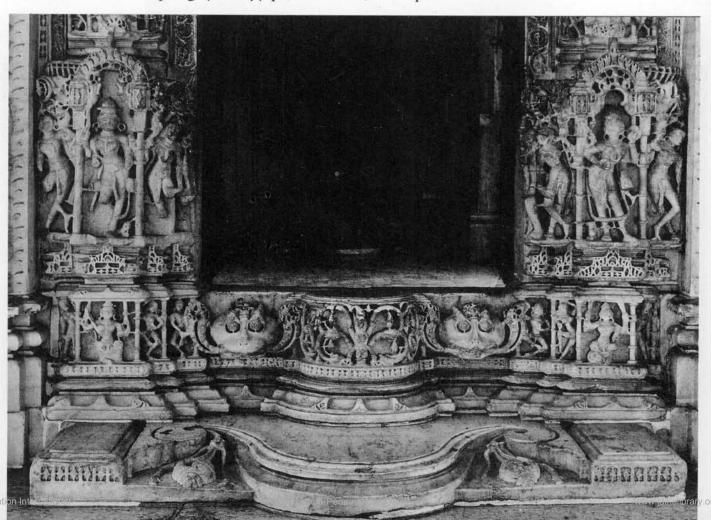


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134. Pārśvanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, doorframe, doorlintel and the paṭṭa above showing 14 auspicious dreams.

133. Pārśvanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, doorframe, lower part with doorsill.





135. Pārśvanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, doorsill, top-view.

136. Pārśvanātha temple, trika's mukhacatuṣkī, dado, west profile.



137. Pārśvanātha temple, trika, khattaka, proper left. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



138. Pārśvanātha temple, trika, mukhacatuṣkī, dado, east profile.



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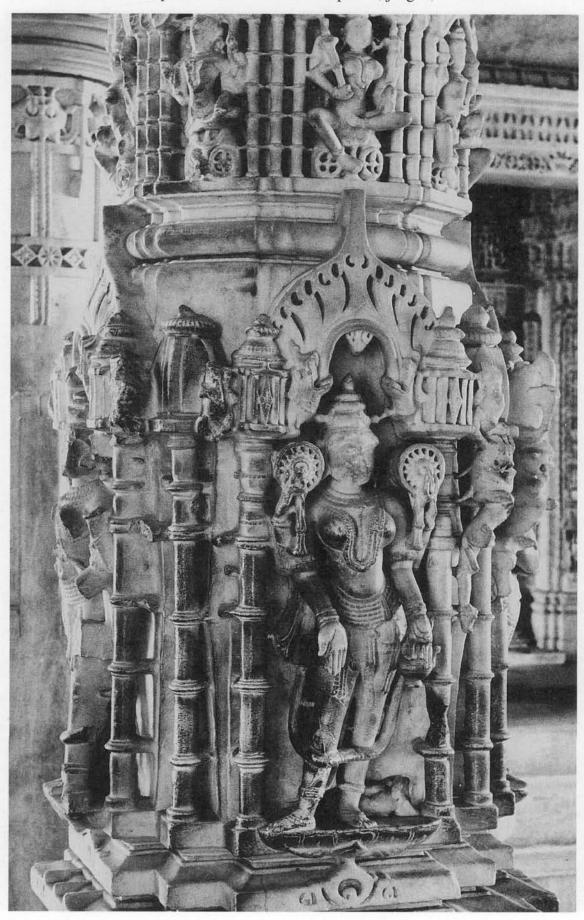


139. Pārśvanātha temple, trika from northwest.



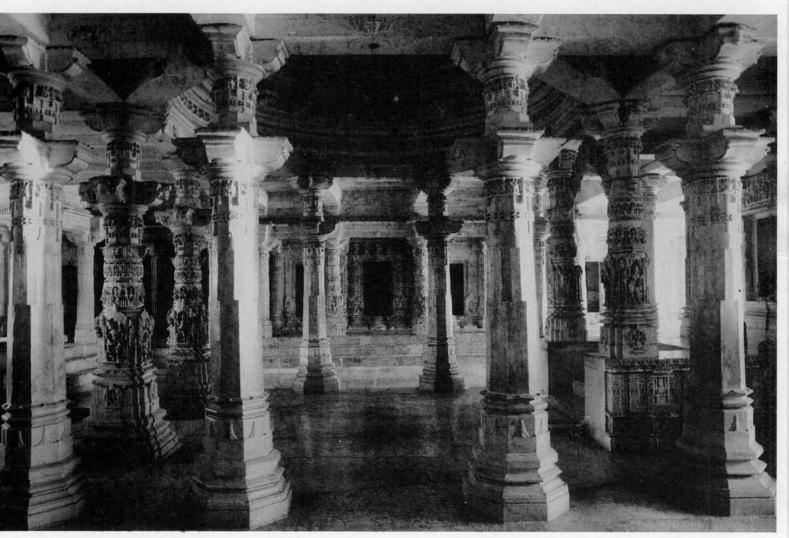
140. Pārśvanātha temple, trika, mukhacatuṣkī pillars with toraņa.

141. Pārśvanātha temple, trika, one of the front-pillars, jaṅgha, Cakreśvarī.





142. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, view from trika.



143. Pārśvanātha temple, rangamandapa from west. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



144. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, partial view from west.



145. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa from northwest.



146. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa from northwest.



147. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, front row (north) of pillars. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

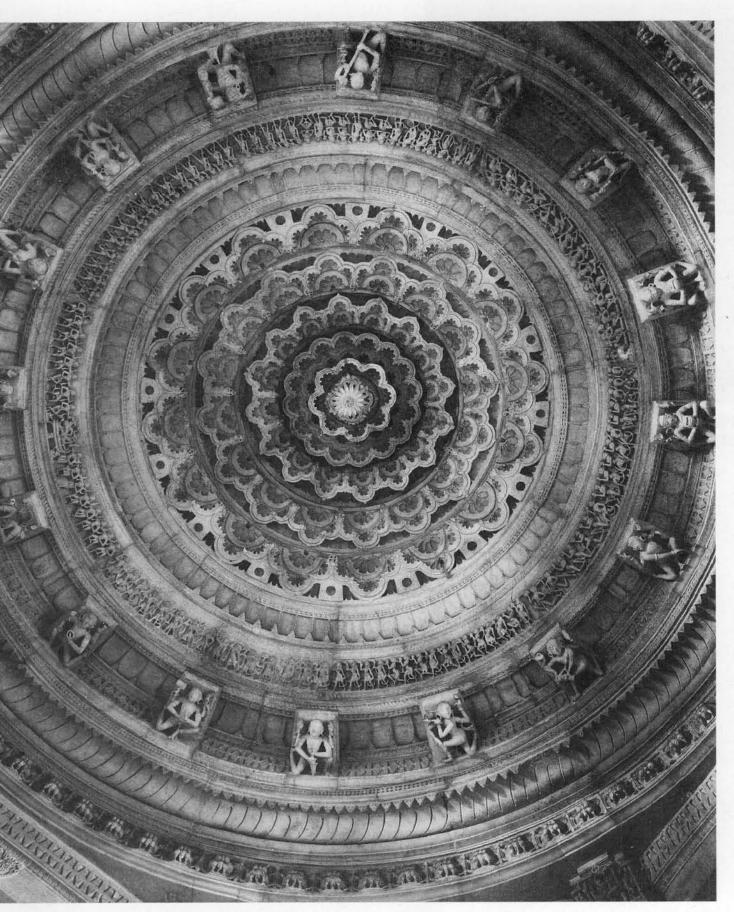


148. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, Miśraka pillar, base and kumbhikā.

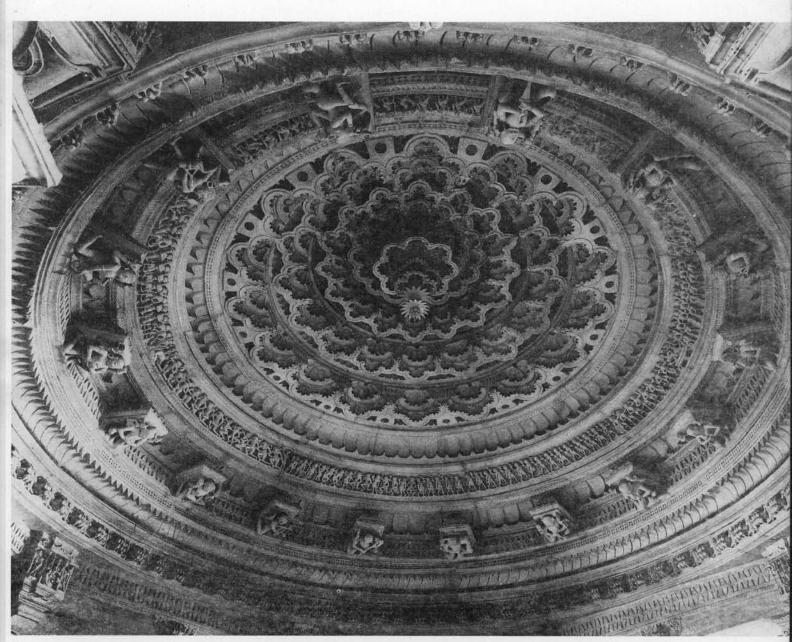


149. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, view from north.

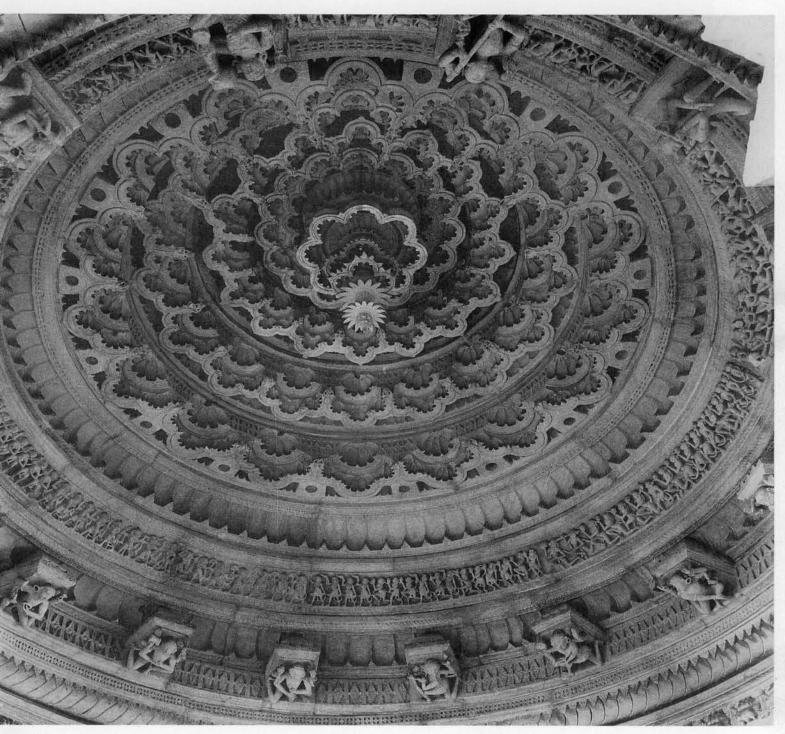
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150. Pārśvanātha temple, rangamaṇḍapa, central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling, view from below.



151. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling, view from below, detail.



152. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling, closer view from below.



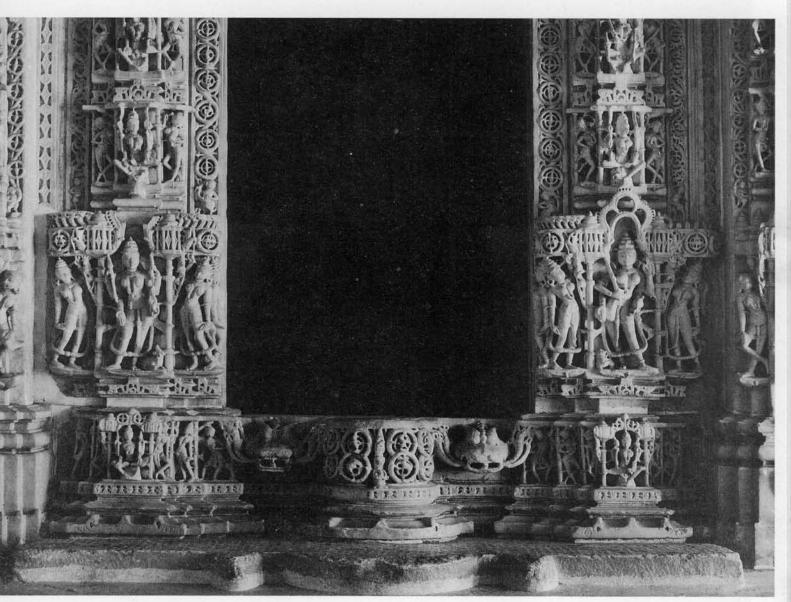
153. Pārśvanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa, central Sabhāmandāraka ceiling, closer view of lambana from below.



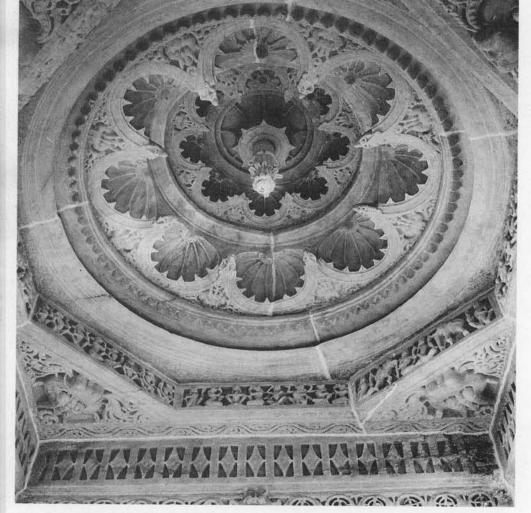
154. Pārśvanātha temple, paṭṭaśālā, west, view from south.

155. Pārśvanātha temple, bhadraprāsāda, east, doorway view through carved paṭṭaśālā pillars.

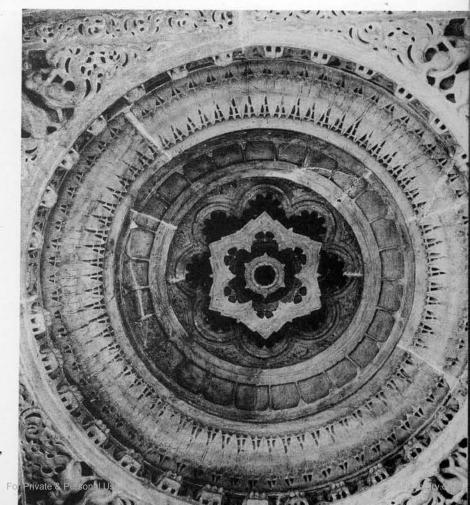




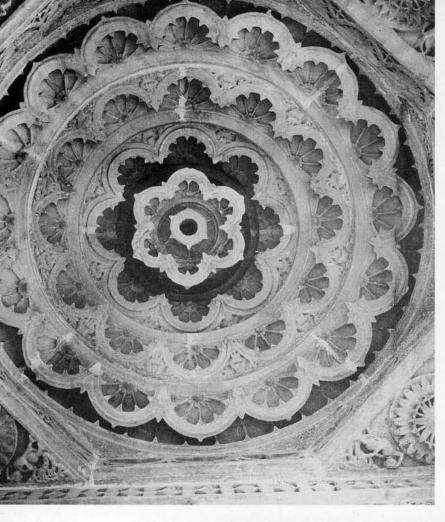
156. Pārśvanātha temple, bhadraprāsāda, east, doorframe, lower half, detail.



157. Pārśvanātha temple, paṭṭaśālā, west, Nābhimandāraka ceiling.

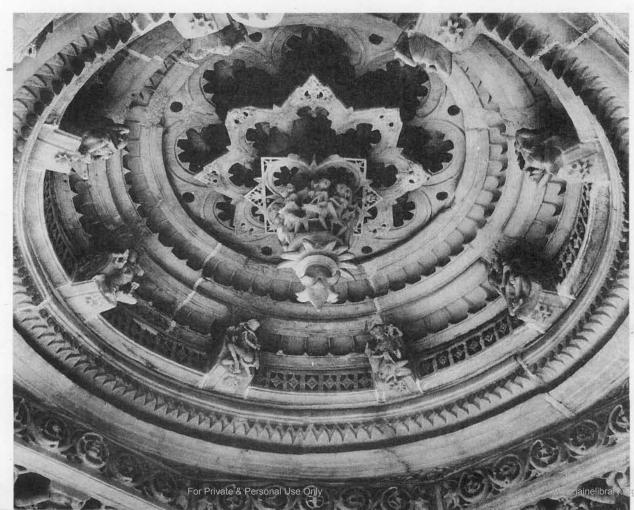


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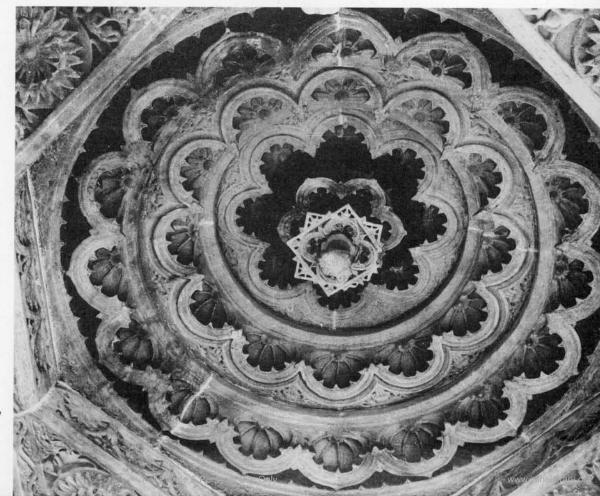
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160. Pārśvanātha temple, paṭṭaśālā, west, bhadraprāsāda front, Sabhāmandāraka ceiling.

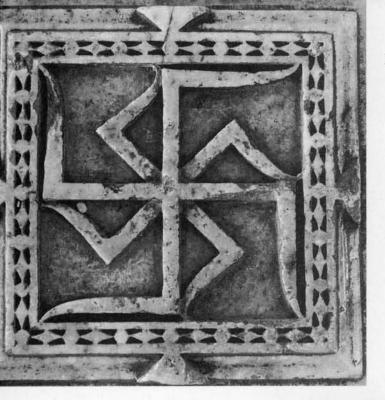




161. Pārśvanātha temple, pattaśālā, west, Nābhimandāraka ceiling.



162. Pārśvanātha temple, paţţaśālā, west, Nābhimandāraka ceiling.
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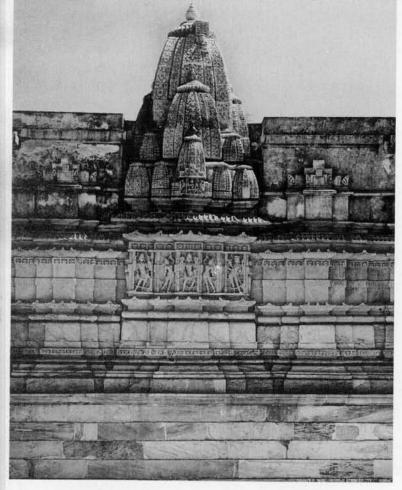


163. Pārśvanātha temple, rangamandapa, north mukhālinda, floor, rotating Swastika.
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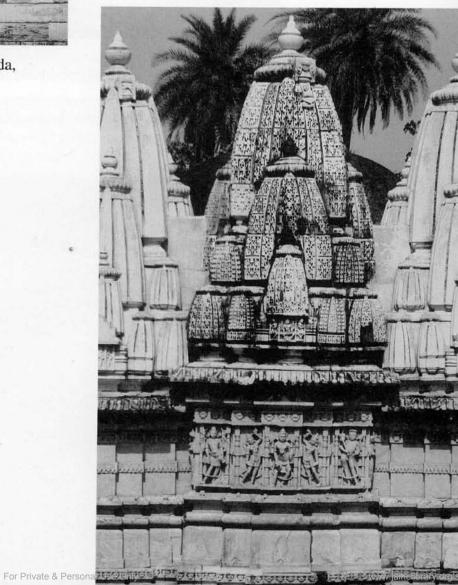
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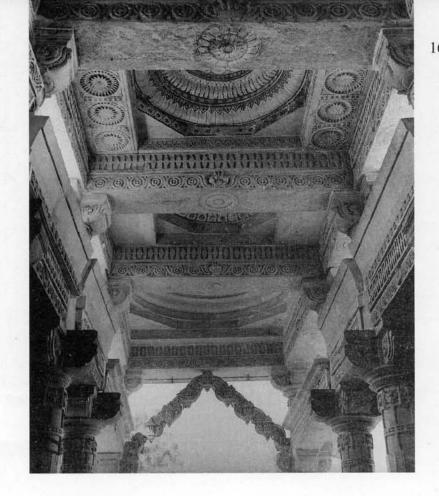
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165. Pārśvanātha temple, western bhadraprāsāda, view from west.

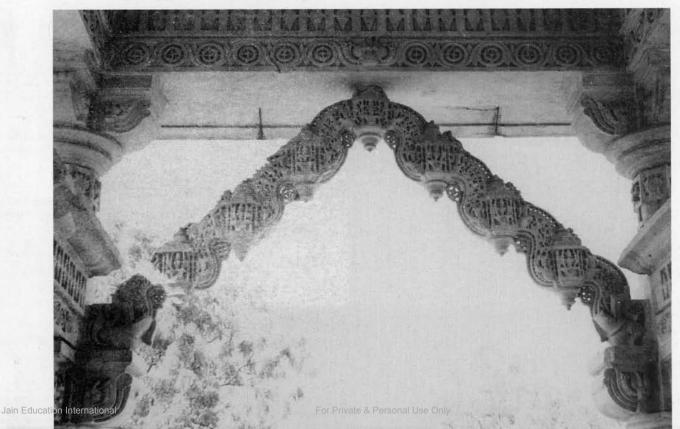
166. Pārśvanātha temple, western bhadraprāsāda, closer view from west. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]





168. Neminātha temple, central paṭṭaśālā ceiling with balānaka ceilings further north. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

167. Kumbhāriyā. Neminātha temple, balānaka, toraņa from south. Maru-Gurjara style. C. late 13th cent. A.D. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

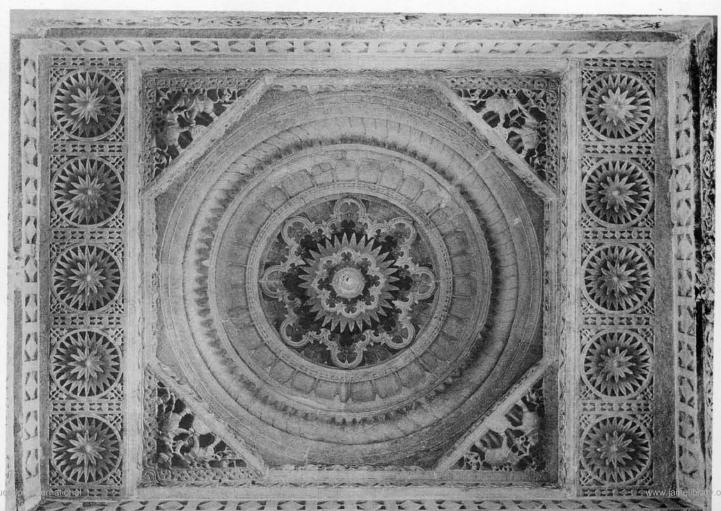


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169. Neminātha temple, view showing central paṭṭaśālā ceiling with (Meghanāda) raṅgamaṇḍapa ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

170. Neminātha temple, central paṭṭaśālā Nābhimandāraka ceiling.



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171. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa from north. C. A.D. 1137.



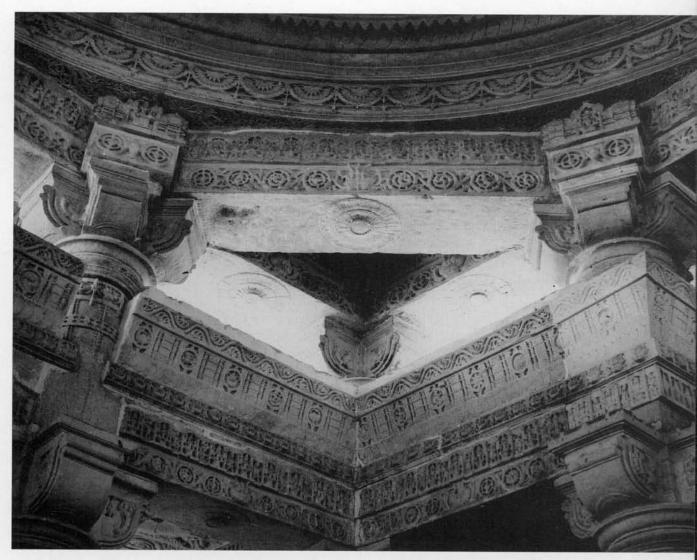
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173. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa part from west.

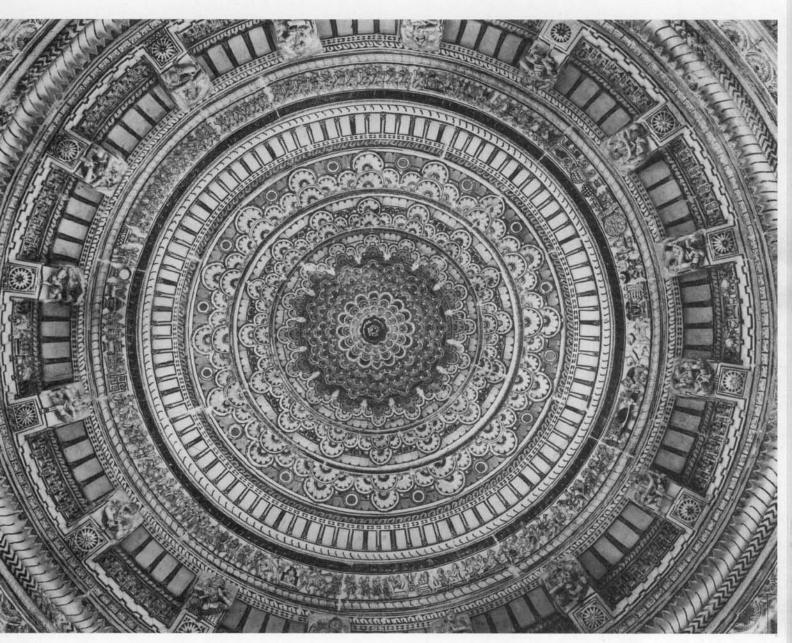


174. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa, pillars.





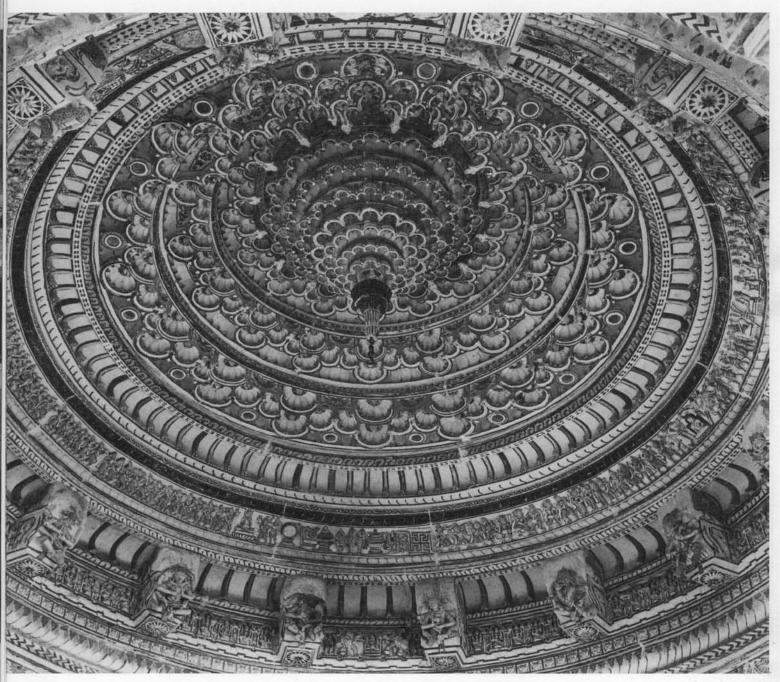
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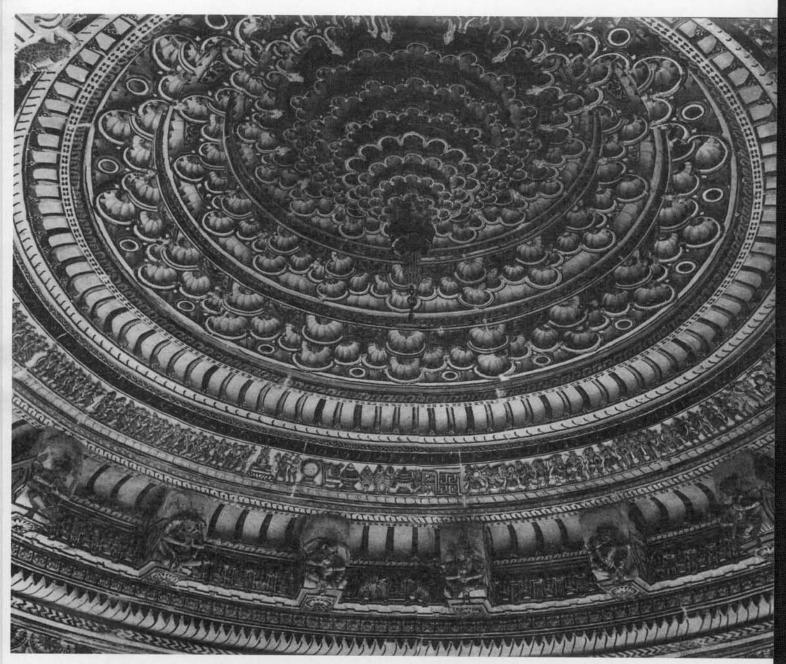
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177. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-ceiling.



178. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-ceiling, detail.



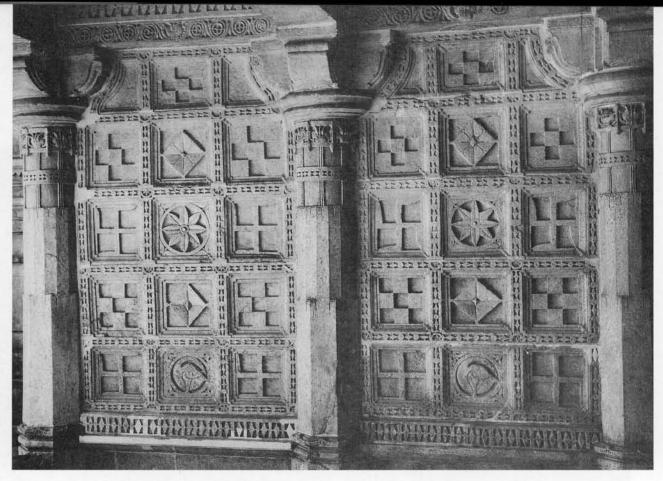
179. Neminātha temple, Meghanāda-maṇḍapa, Sabhāmandāraka karoṭaka-ceiling, closer view. [Courtesy: Department of Archaeology, Government of Gujarat.]

180. Neminātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, front pillars from northeast.



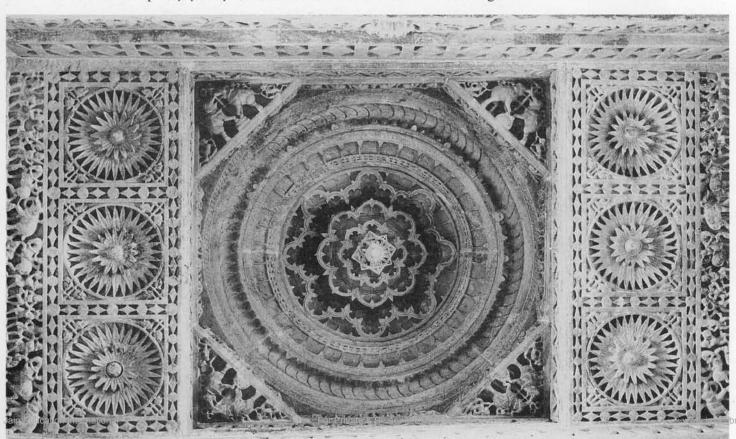
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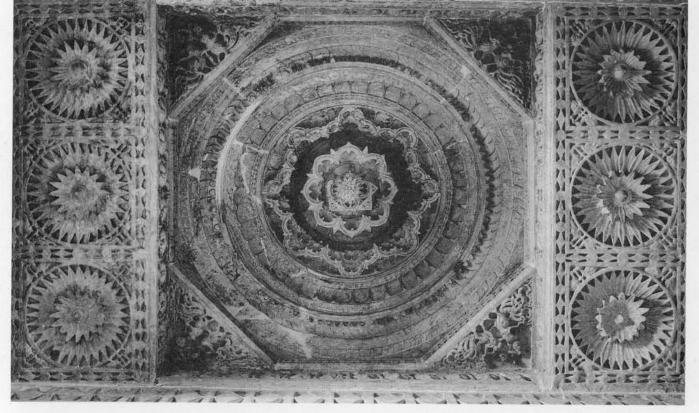




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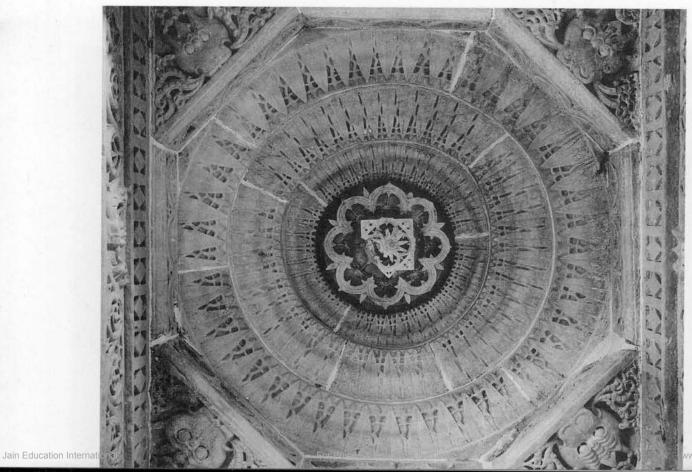
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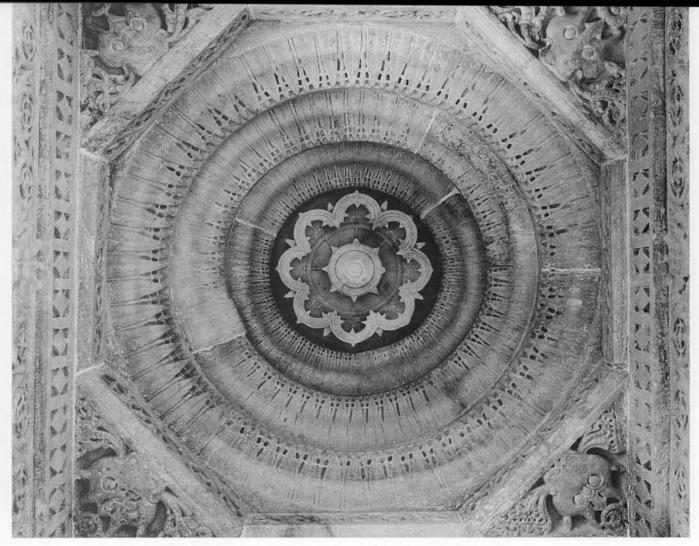


184. Neminātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, rear central Nābhimandāraka ceiling. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

Neminātha temple, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, one of the lateral Nābhimandāraka ceilings.
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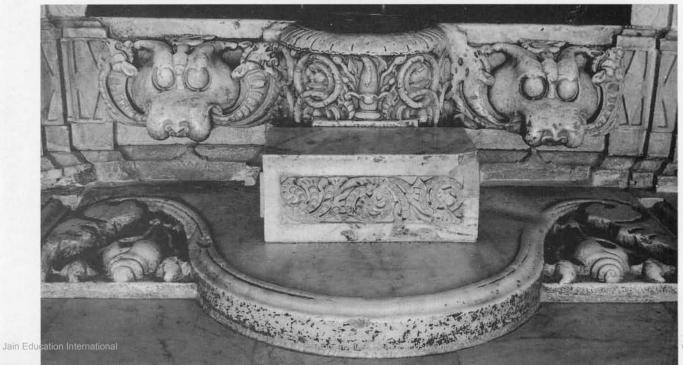


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187. Neminātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, doorframe, doorsill detail. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

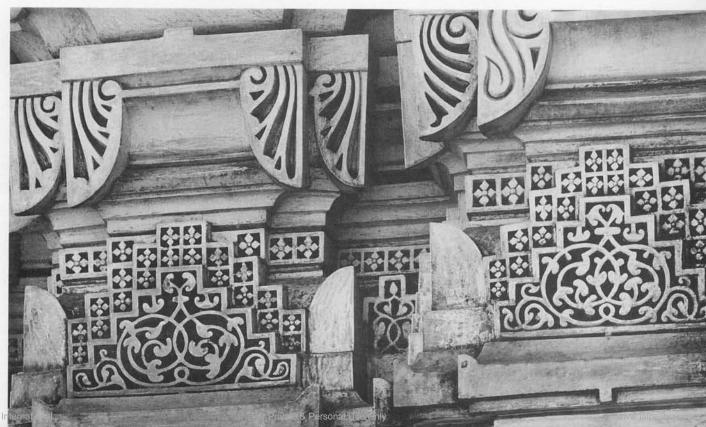


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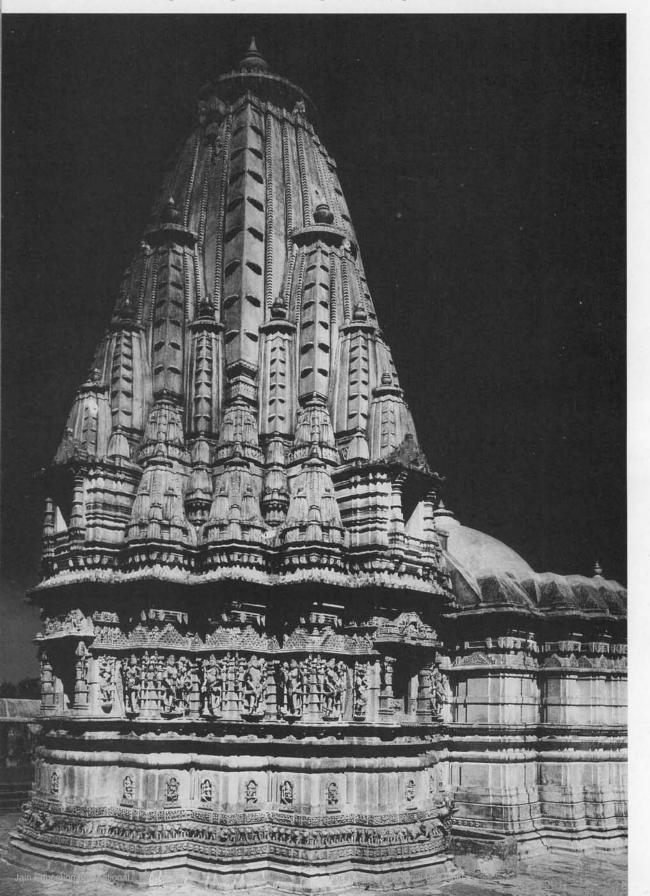


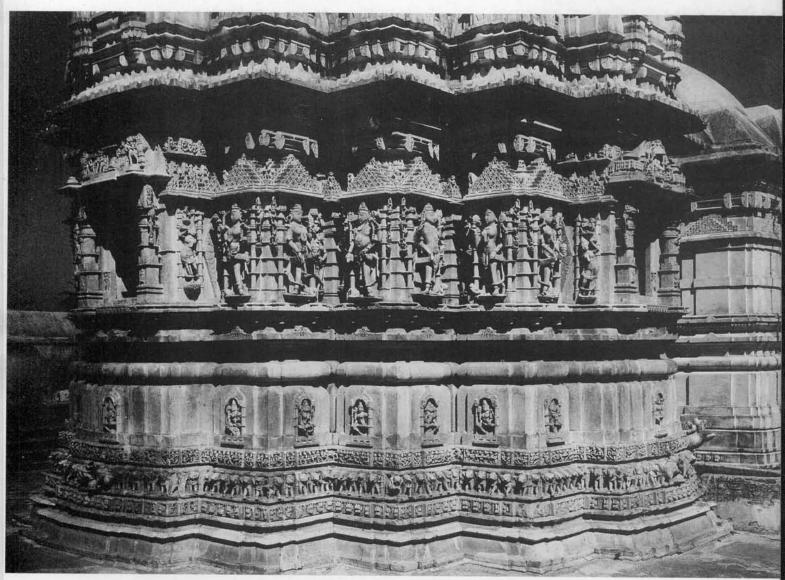
188. Neminātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, exterior, later carved udgama-pediment.

189. Neminātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, exterior, later carved udgama-pediment.



190. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda with gūḍhamaṇḍapa from southeast. A.D. 1137.

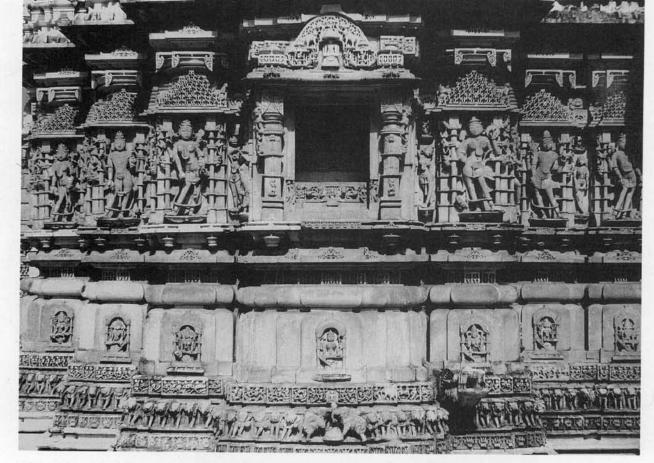




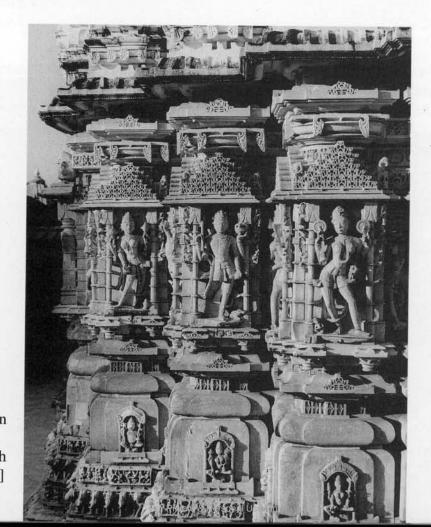
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192. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, south, right side.

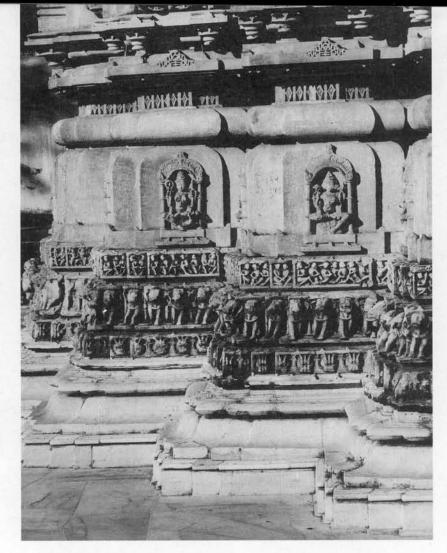




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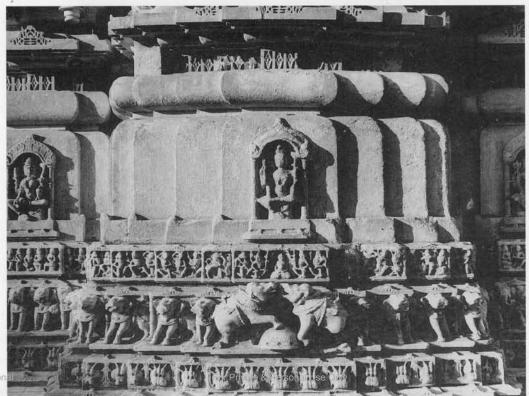


193. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, south, left side. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



195. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, east, left side, pīṭha and vedibandha detail.

 Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, south, bhadrapīţha and vedibandha detail. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

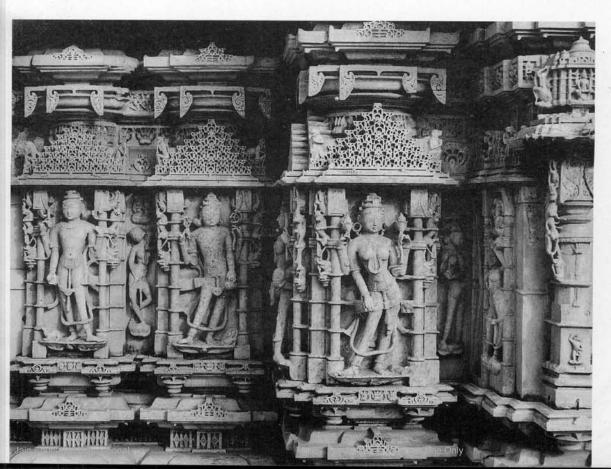




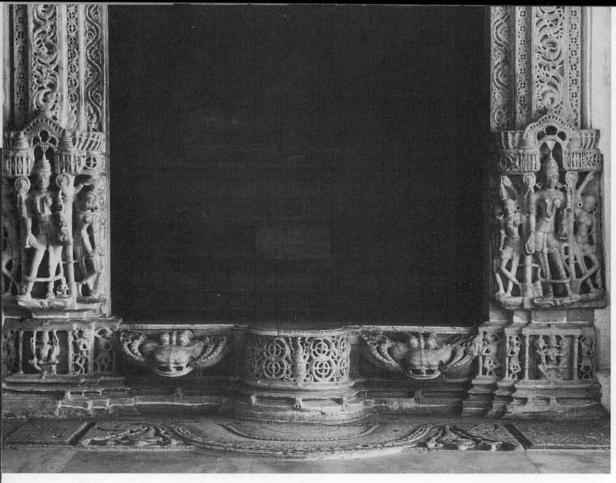
197. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, vedibandha, kumbha-face, Sarasvatī. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



198. Neminātha temple, mūlaprāsāda, vedibandha, kumbha-face, Nirvāṇī. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



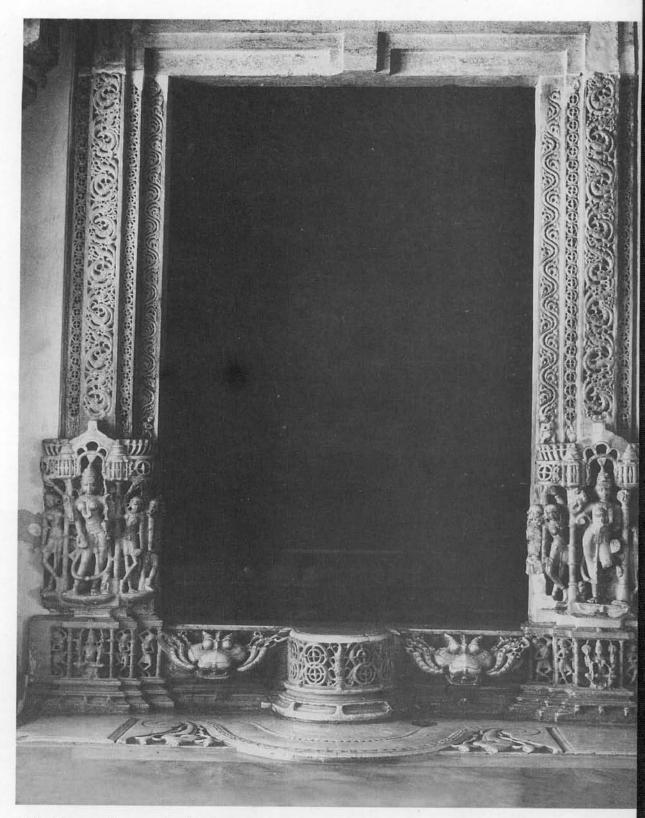
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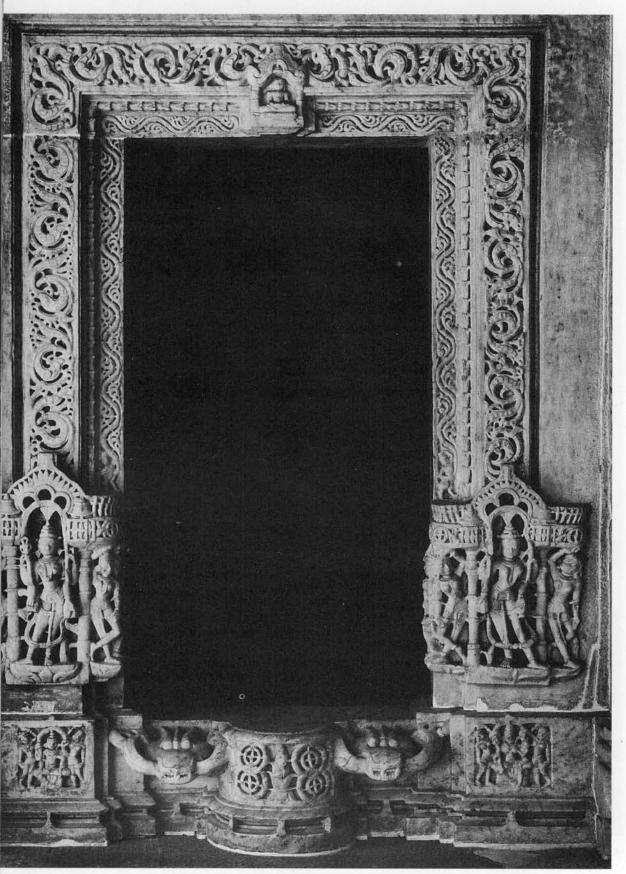
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202. Neminātha temple, bhadraprāsāda, west, doorsill, top view.

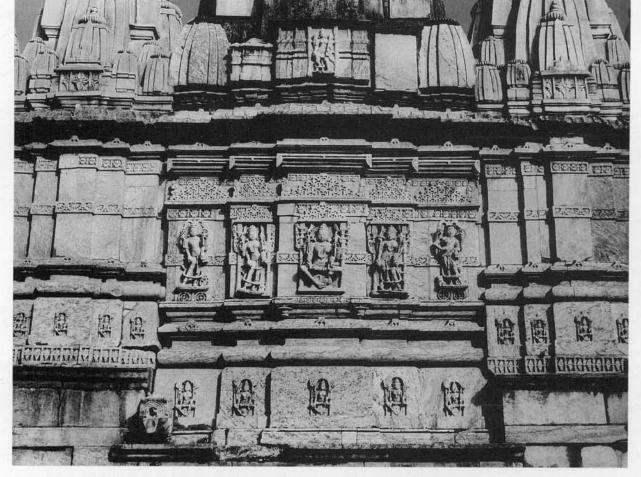




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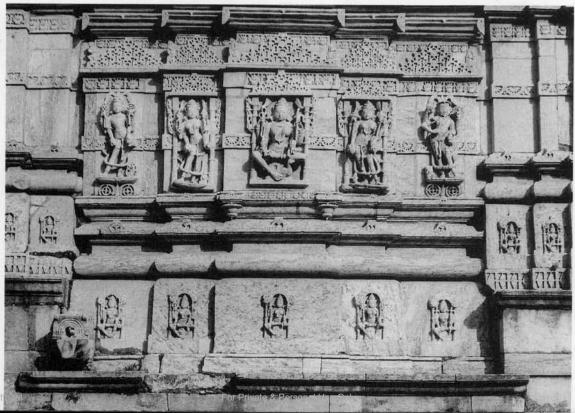


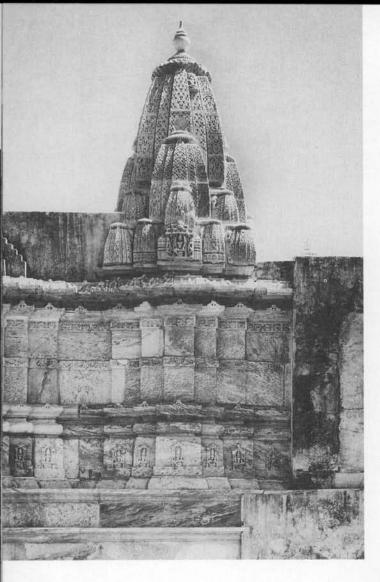
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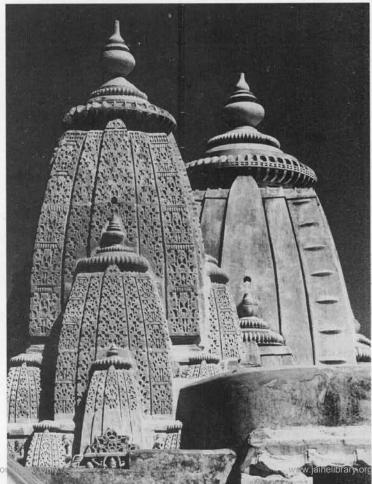
204. Neminātha temple, west bhadraprāsāda, exterior, view from west. *C.* A.D. 1137. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

205. Neminātha temple, west bhadraprāsāda, exterior, closer view from west. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



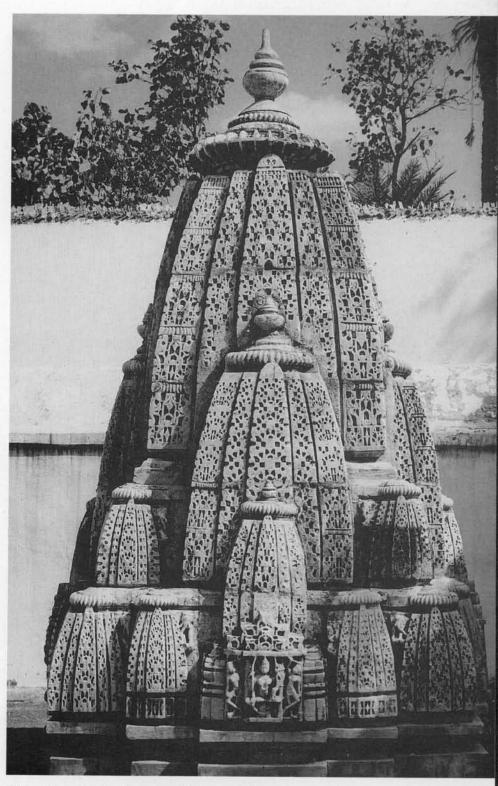


206. Neminātha temple, west paṭṭaśālā, southernmost devakulikā, exterior, view from west.

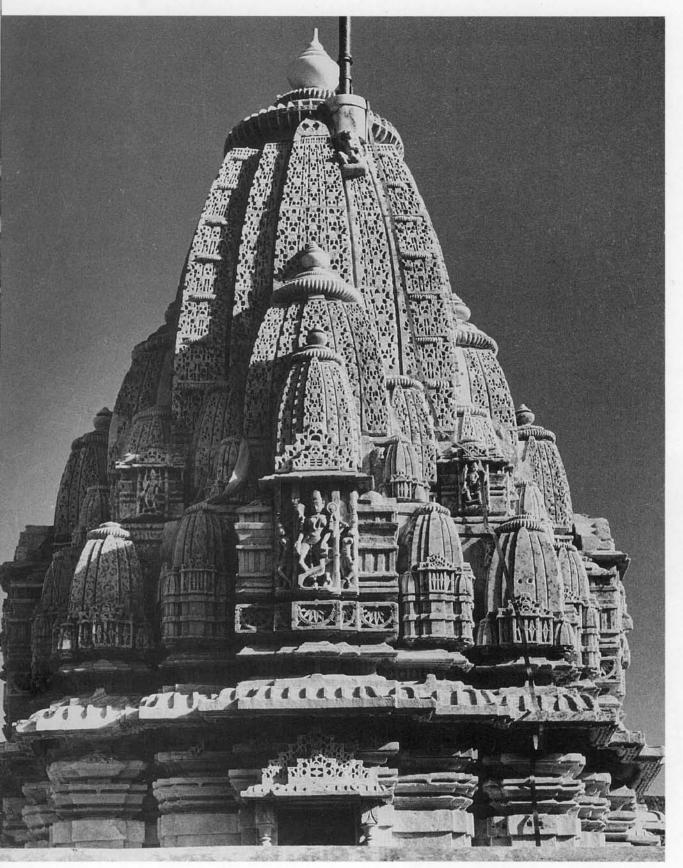


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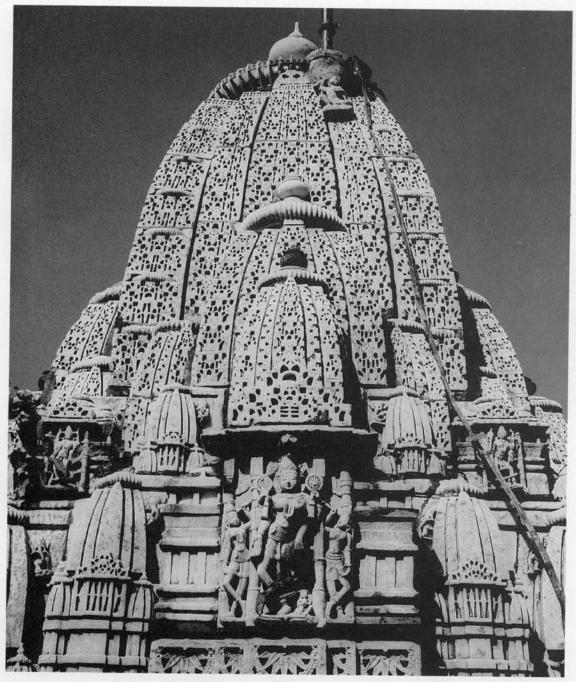
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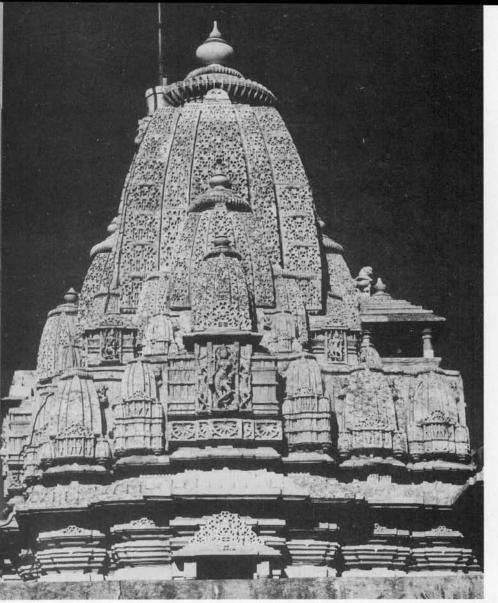
208. Neminātha temple, śikhara of the same southernmost devakulikā, removed and reërected in (theoretical) paṭṭaśālā area, southeast of mūlaprāsāda. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



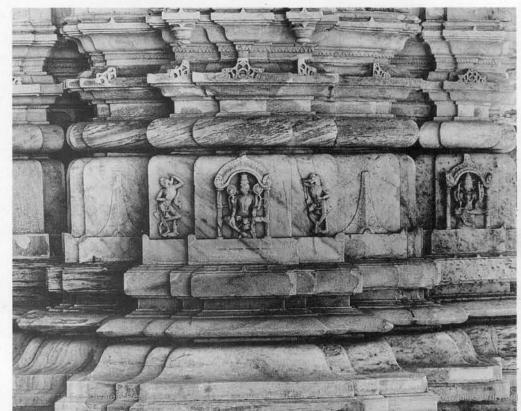
209. Kumbhāriyā. Sambhavanātha temple, prāsāda from south. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1232.



210. Sambhavanātha temple, prāsāda from west. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]



211. Sambhavanātha temple, prāsāda from east.



212. Sambhavanātha temple, prāsāda, pīṭha and vedibandha.

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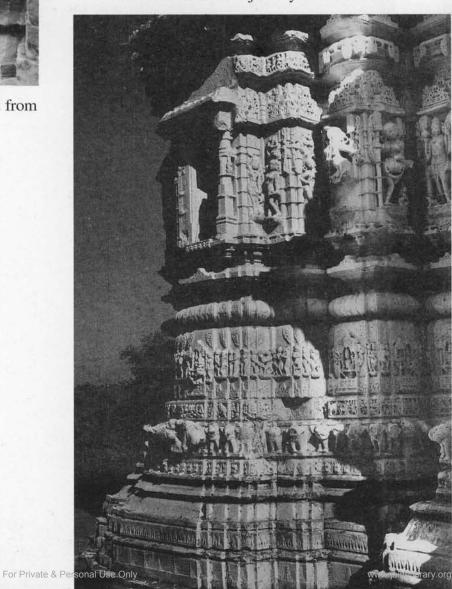
213. Sambhavanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, northern doorframe within the raṅgamaṇḍapa.





214. Sambhavanātha temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa from southwest.

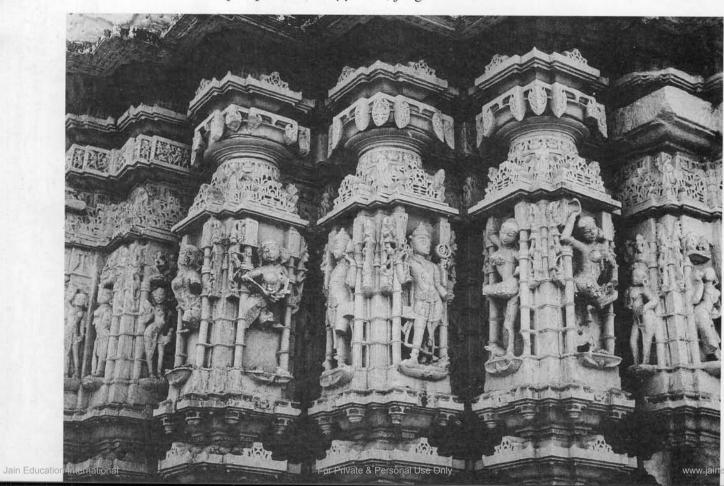
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216. Kumbheśvara temple, prāsāda, west, left side, pītha and vedibandha detail.

217. Kumbheśvara temple, prāsāda, maṇḍovara, jaṅghā from northwest.

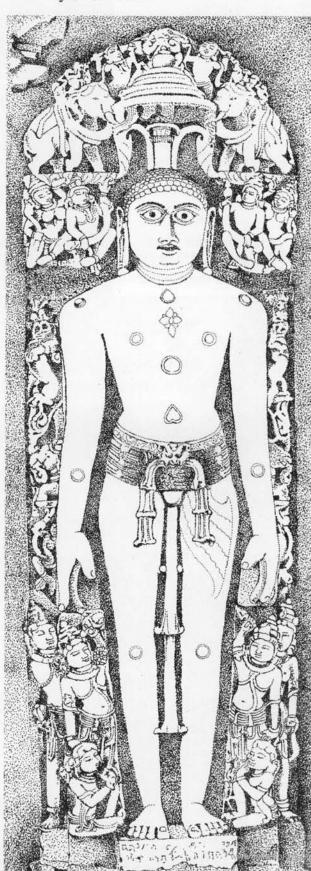


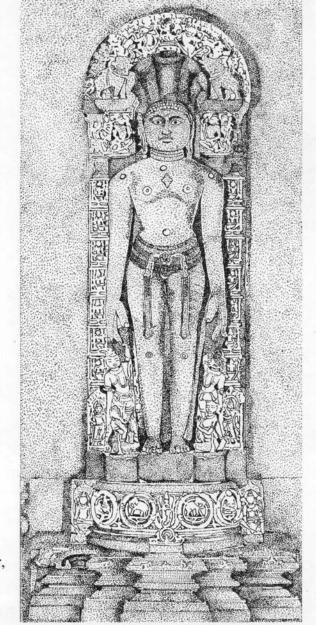
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218. Kāyotsarga Jina in store room, Mahāvīra temple. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1031(?).

219. Kāyotsarga Jina of the pair, Mahāvīra temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1062.





220. Kāyotsarga Jina of the pair, Neminātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1158.

221. Second standing Jina of the pair, Neminātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa, carved pedestal. Maru-Gurjara style.
A.D. 1158.





Kāyotsarga Jina, Neminātha temple, antarāla, carved pedestal. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1258.

223. Second standing Jina of the pair, Neminātha temple, antarāla, carved pedestal. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1258.





224. Vāsupūjya Jina, Sambhavanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* late 13th century A.D.

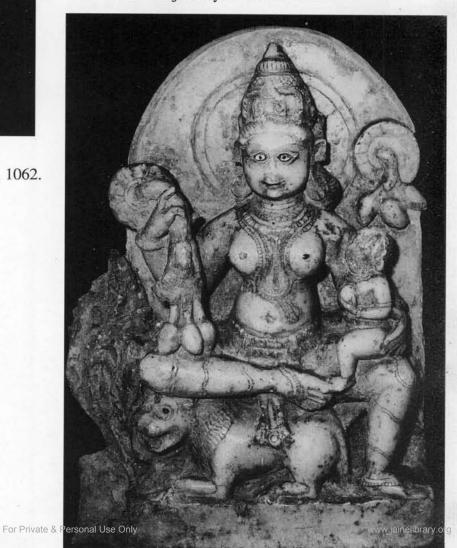
225. Parikara and ārādhaka couple, Sambhavanātha temple, gūḍhamaṇḍapa. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* late 13th cent. A.D. [Courtesy: Shardaben Chimanbhai Educational Research Centre, Ahmedabad.]

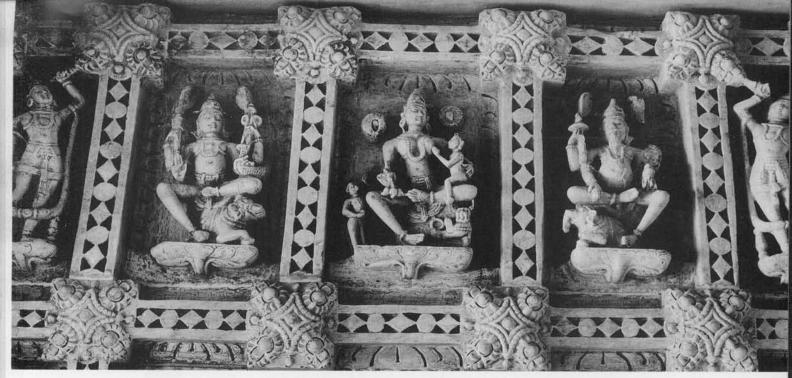




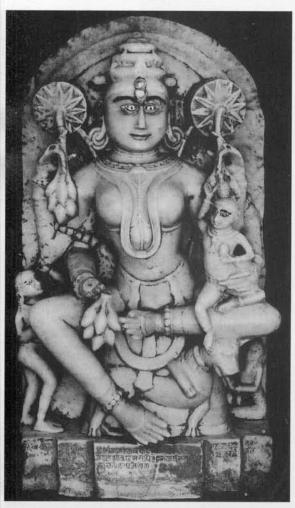
226. Sarvānubhūti Yakṣa, Mahāvīra temple, garbhagṛha. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* A.D. 1062.

227. Yakṣī Ambikā, Mahāvīra temple, garbhagṛha. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* A.D. 1062.

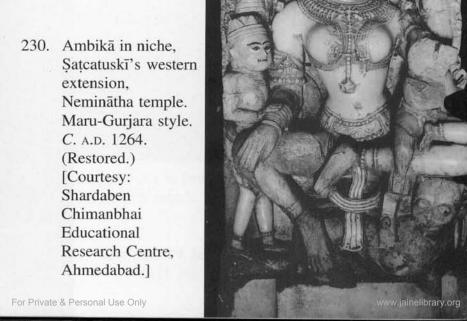




228. Panels in the ceiling in the second bay showing Sarvānubhūti, Ambikā, and Brahmaśānti-Yakṣa, Mahāvīra temple, raṅgamaṇḍapa's east flank. Maru-Gurjara style. C. A.D. 1062.

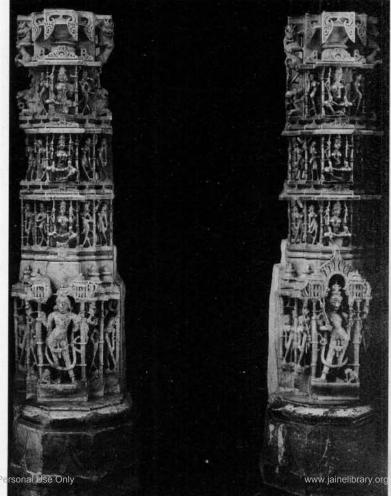


229. Ambikā, Mahāvīra temple, devakulikā. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* 3rd quarter of the 12th cent. A.D. (Originally in Neminātha temple.)

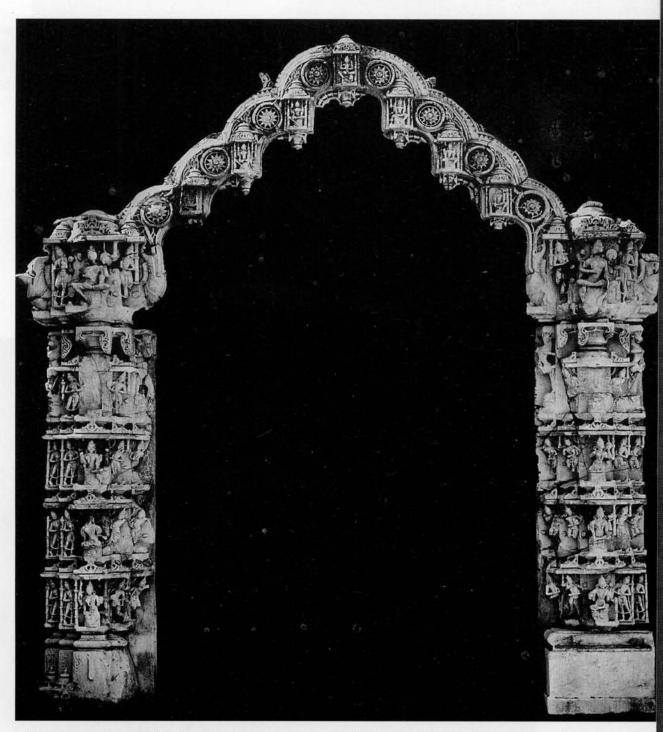




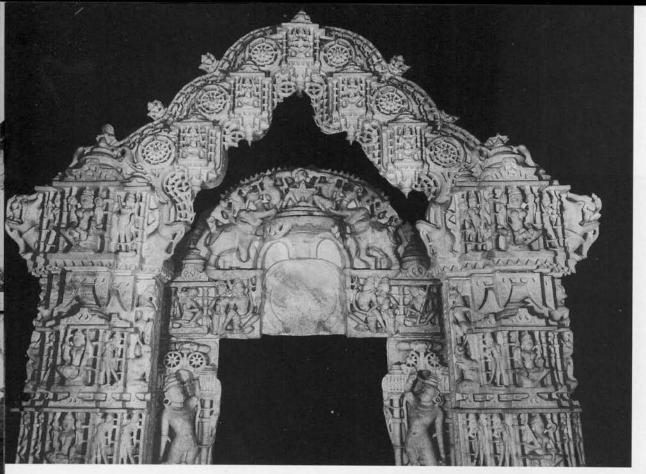
Toraņa reërected at east door, caturmukha Samavasaraņa-kulikā. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1157. (Originally believed to be before the mūlanāyaka image in the garbhagṛha, Mahāvīra temple.)



232. Image-toraņa posts, displaced, Pārśvanātha temple. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1125.



233. Image-toraṇa, Neminātha temple, apparently in front of the main image as originally set up. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* 12th or 13th cent. A.D.



234. Image-torana in one of the western row devakulikās, Pārśvanātha temple.

Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* 12th cent. A.D.

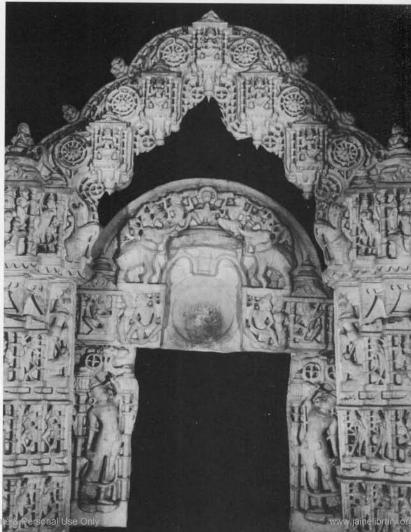
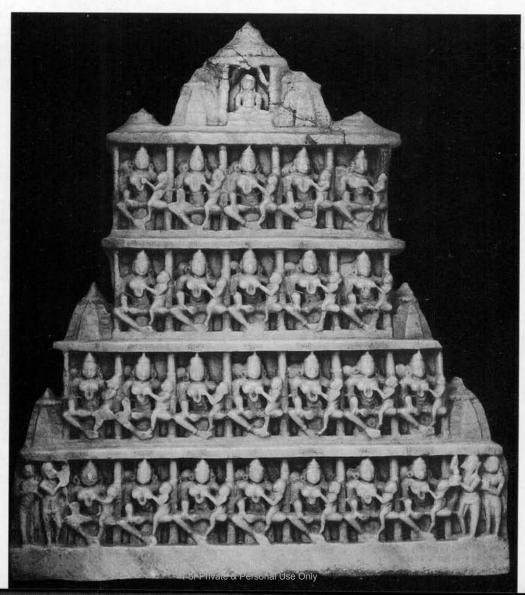


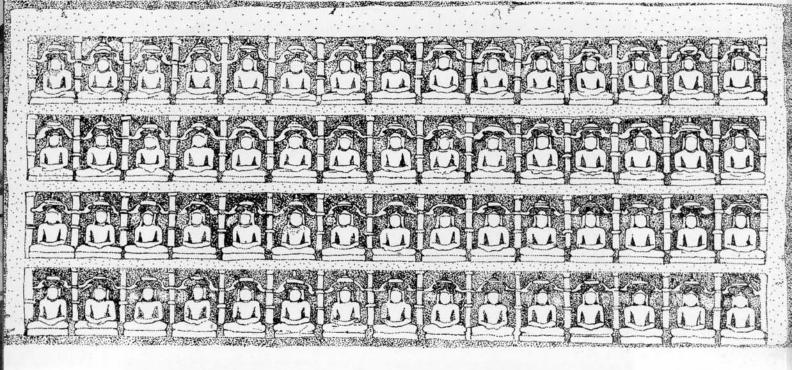
 Image-toraņa in one of the western row devakulikās, Pārśvanātha temple. Maru-Gurjara style. C. 12th cent. A.D.

236. Samavasaraṇa
piece, Pārśvanātha
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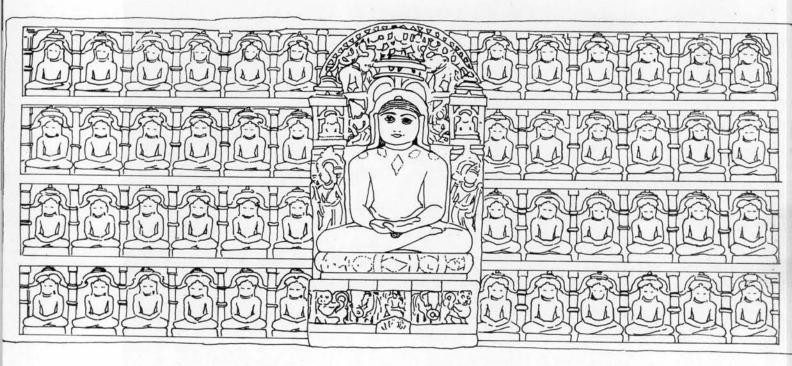


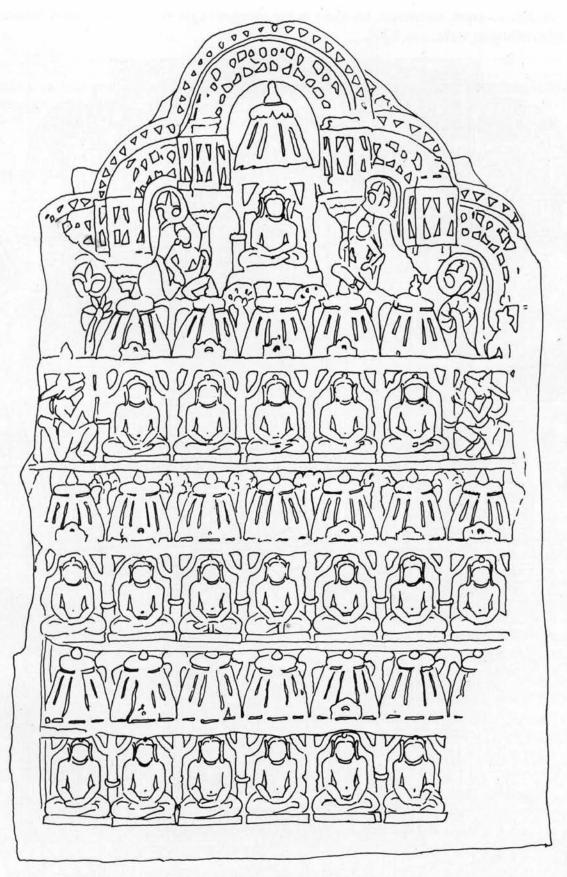
237. Jina-Mātṛkā-paṭṭa. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* 12th or 13th cent. A.D. (Originally in the Neminātha temple, now placed in the Mahāvīra temple.)





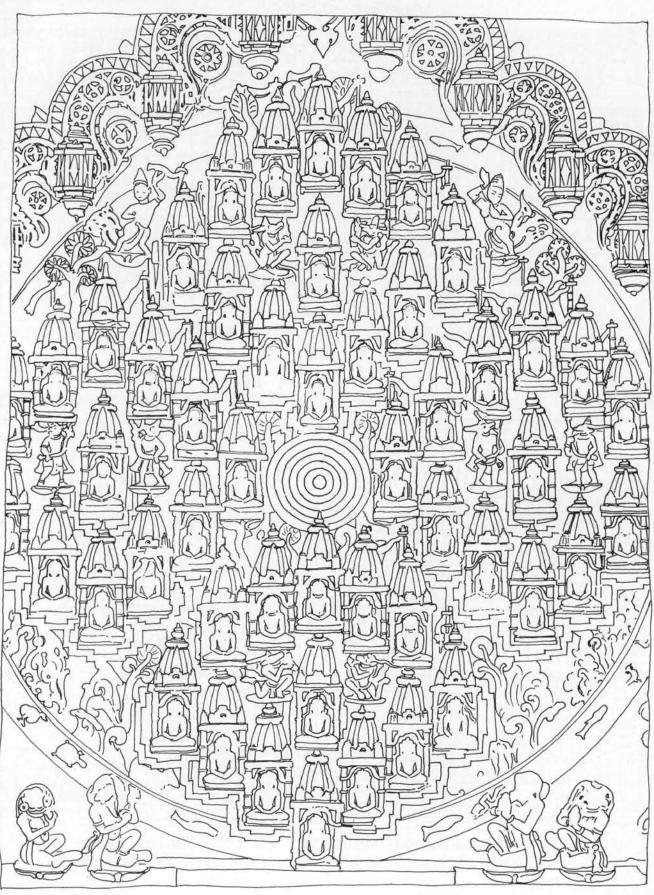
- 238 Two fragments of Sattarisaya-Jina-patta (Saptatiśatabimba). Maru-Gurjara style, C. A.D. 1254 or later.
- & (Originally in the Neminātha temple, now placed in two consecutive devakulikās of western row in the
- 239 Mahāvīra temple.)



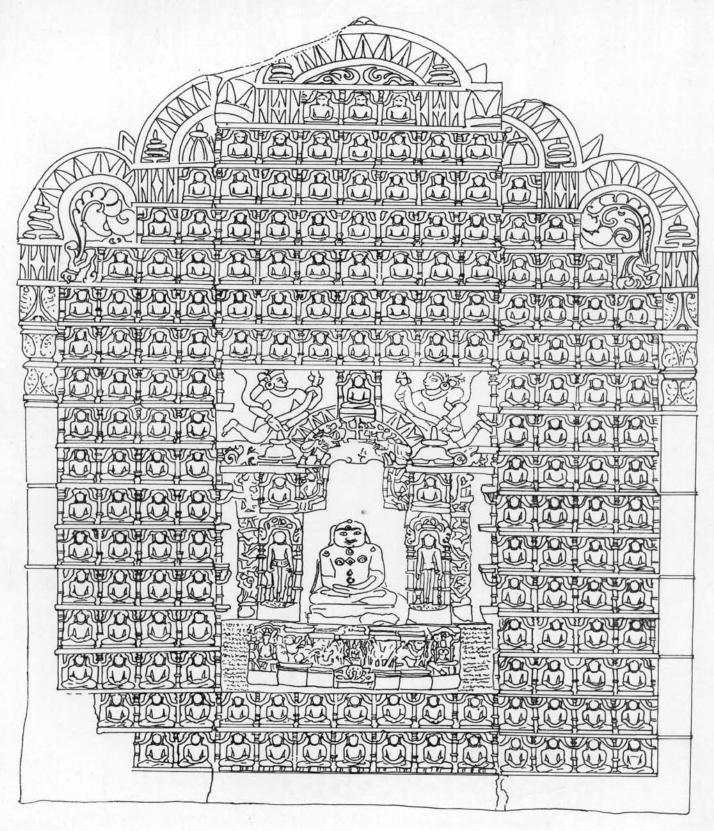


240. Vis-viharamāna-Jina-paṭṭa. Maru-Gurjara style. *C.* late 13th cent. A.D. or later. (Originally in the Neminātha temple, now in storeroom of the Mahāvīra temple.)

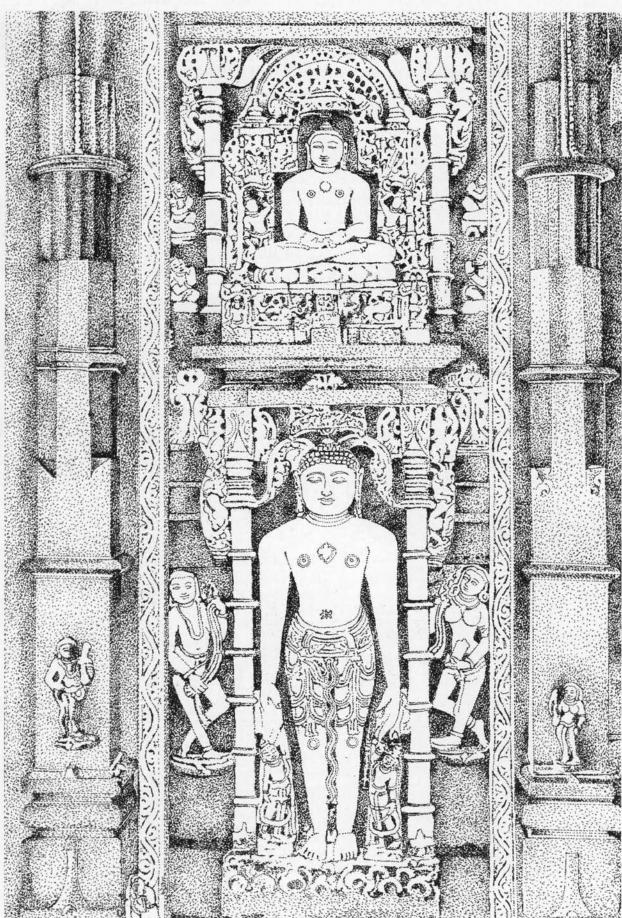
241. Nandīśvara-paṭṭa, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, khattaka in the extended eastern part, Neminātha temple. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1267.

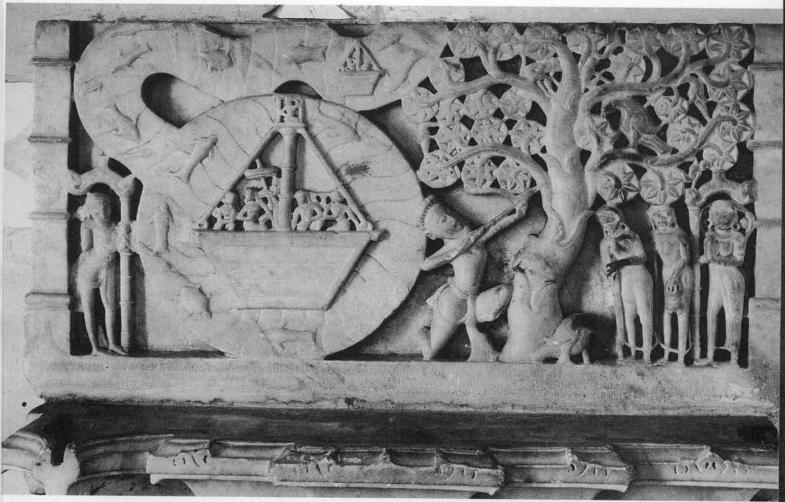


242. Sattarisaya-Jina-paṭṭa (Saptatiśatayantraka), ṣaṭcatuṣkī, extended western part, Neminātha temple. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1254.



243. Kalyāṇatraya-paṭṭa, ṣaṭcatuṣkī, extended eastern part, Neminātha temple. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1287.





244. Samalikā-vihāra-paṭṭa. Maru-Gurjara style. A.D. 1282. (Originally in the Neminātha temple, now in the entry hall of the Mahāvīra temple.)

