

## Vaidika texts and traditions - full

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- 1.4.1.2.3 Mudgala Upanisad
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- 1.4.1.6.1 Nadabindu Upanisad
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- 1.4.3.1.2.4 Paingala Upanisad
- 1.4.3.1.2.5 Bhiksu Upanisad
- 1.4.3.1.2.6 Adhyatma Upanisad
- 1.4.3.1.2.7 Muktika Upanisad (with 108 Upanisad list)
- 1.4.3.1.3 Sannyasa
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- 1.4.3.1.4 **Vaisnava**
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- 1.4.3.1.5.4 Yajnavalkya Upanisad
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- 1.4.3.2.1.2 Taittiriya Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2 Samanya
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- 1.4.3.2.2.2 Sukarahasya Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2.3 Skanda Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2.4 Sariraka Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2.5 Ekaksara Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2.6 Aksi Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.2.7 Pranagnihotra Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.3 Sannyasa
- 1.4.3.2.3.1 Brahma Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.3.2 Svetasvatara Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.3.3 Garbha Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.3.4 Tejobindu Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.3.5 Varaha Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.4 Sakta
- 1.4.3.2.4.1 Sarasvatirahasya Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.5 **Vaisnava**
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- 1.4.3.2.5.2 Kali-santarana Upanisad
- 1.4.3.2.6 Saiva
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----- 1.4.4.1. Mukhya  
----- 1.4.4.1.1 Prasna Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.1.2 Mundaka Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.1.3 Mandukya Upanisad  
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----- 1.4.4.2.1 Surya Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.2.2 Aksi Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.2.3 Atma Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.3. Sannyasa  
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----- 1.4.4.4.1 Sita Upanisad  
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----- 1.4.4.5. **Vaisnava**  
----- 1.4.4.5.1 Nrsimhatapani Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.2 Mahanarayana Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.3 Ramarahasya Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.4 Ramatapani Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.5 Gopalatapani Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.6 Krisna Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.7 Hayagriva Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.8 Dattatreya Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.5.9 Garuda Upanisad  
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----- 1.4.4.6.1 Sira Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.6.2 (Atharva)sikha Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.6.3 Brihajjabala Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.6.4 Sarabha Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.6.5 Bhasma Upanisad  
----- 1.4.4.6.6 Ganapati Upanisad

- 1.4.4.7. Yoga
- 1.4.4.7.1 Sandilya Upanisad
- 1.4.4.7.2 Pasupata Upanisad
- 1.4.4.7.3 Mahavakya Upanisad

### **Smriti texts**

- **2.1 Vedanga** (lit. 'the limb of Veda')
- 2.1.1 Siksa - phonetics (Panini)
- 2.1.2 Chanda - meter (Pingalacarya)
- 2.1.3 Vyakarana - grammar (Panini)
- 2.1.4 Nirukta - etymology (Yaska)
- 2.1.5 Jyotisa - astronomy and astrology (Garga)
- 2.1.6 Kalpa - ritual
- 2.1.6.1 Sruta Kalpa
- 2.1.6.1.1 Rk Srautasutras
- 2.1.6.1.1.1 Asvalayana Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.1.2 Sankhyayana Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.2 Sama Srautasutras
- 2.1.6.1.2.1 Latayana Srautasutra
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- 2.1.6.1.3 Yajur Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.3.1 Sukla Srautasutras
- 2.1.6.1.3.1.1 Katyayana Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.3.2 Krisna Srautasutras
- 2.1.6.1.3.2.1 Baudhayana Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.3.2.2 Vadhula Srautasutra
- 2.1.6.1.3.2.3 Manava Srautasutra
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- 2.1.6.1.3.2.5 Apastamba Srautasutra
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- 2.1.6.1.3.2.7 Varaha Srautasutra
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- 2.1.6.1.4.1 Vaitana Srautasutra
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- 2.1.6.3 Dharma Kalpa
- 2.1.6.3.1 Primary Texts
- 2.1.6.3.1.1 Manu Smriti
- 2.1.6.3.1.2 Yajnavalkya Smriti
- 2.1.6.3.1.3 Parasara Smriti
- 2.1.6.3.2 Secondary Texts
- 2.1.6.3.2.01 Sankha-Likhita Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.02 Gautama Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.03 Apastamba Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.04 Vasistha Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.05 Saunaka Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.06 Visnu Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.07 Daksa Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.08 Samvarta Dharma Sutra

- 2.1.6.3.2.09 Vyasa Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.10 Harita Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.11 Satatapa Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.12 Yama Dharma Sutra
- 2.1.6.3.2.13 Devala Dharma Sutra
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- 2.1.6.3.2.15 Atri Dharma Sutra
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- 2.1.6.4.1 Rk Grihyasutras
- 2.1.6.4.1.1 Asvalayana-Grihyasutra
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- 2.1.6.4.3.2.09 Varaha-Grihyasutra
- 2.1.6.4.3.2.10 Vadhula-Grihyasutra
- 2.1.6.4.3.2.11 Kapisthala-Katha Grihyasutra
- 2.1.6.4.4 Atharva Srutasutra
- 2.1.6.4.4.1 Kausika Grihyasutra

## -- 2.2 Upaveda

- 2.2.1 Arthaveda (state organization)
- 2.2.2 Ayurveda (medicine)
- 2.2.3 Dhanurveda (warfare)
- 2.2.4 Gandharvaveda (music)
- 2.2.5 Sthapatyaveda (architecture)

## -- 2.3 Purana

- 2.3.1 Mahapurana
- 2.3.1.1 Brahma Puranas (rajasika)
- 2.3.1.1.1 Brahma Purana
- 2.3.1.1.2 Brahmanda Purana
- 2.3.1.1.3 Brahmavaivarta Purana
- 2.3.1.1.4 Markandeya Purana
- 2.3.1.1.5 Bhavisya Purana
- 2.3.1.1.6 Vamana Purana

- 2.3.1.2 **Vaisnava Puranas** (sattvika)
- 2.3.1.2.01 Visnu Purana
- 2.3.1.2.02 Bhagavata Purana
- 2.3.1.2.03 Narad(ey)a Purana
- 2.3.1.2.04 Garuda Purana
- 2.3.1.2.05 Padma Purana
- 2.3.1.2.06 Varaha Purana
- 2.3.1.3 Saiva Puranas (tamasika)
- 2.3.1.3.1 Matsya Purana
- 2.3.1.3.2 Kurma Purana
- 2.3.1.3.3 Linga Purana
- 2.3.1.3.4 Siva/Vayu Purana
- 2.3.1.3.5 Skanda Purana
- 2.3.1.3.6 Agni Purana
- 2.3.2 Upapurana
- 2.3.2.1 **Vaisnava Upapuranas**
- 2.3.2.1.1 Visnudharma Purana
- 2.3.2.1.2 Visnudharmottara Purana
- 2.3.2.1.3 Narasimha Purana
- 2.3.2.1.4 Brihannaradiya Purana
- 2.3.2.1.5 Kalki Purana
- 2.3.2.2 Sakta Upapuranas
- 2.3.2.2.1 Devi Purana
- 2.3.2.2.2 Kalika Purana
- 2.3.2.2.3 Mahabhagavata Purana
- 2.3.2.2.4 Devi Bhagavata
- 2.3.2.2.5 Bhagavati Purana
- 2.3.2.2.6 Candi(ka) Purana
- 2.3.2.2.7 Sati Purana
- 2.3.2.3 Saiva Upapuranas
- 2.3.2.3.1 Sivadharm Purana
- 2.3.2.3.2 Sivadharmottara Purana
- 2.3.2.3.3 Sivarahasya Purana
- 2.3.2.3.4 Ekamra Purana
- 2.3.2.3.5 Parasara Upapurana
- 2.3.2.3.6 Vasisthalainga Upapurana
- 2.3.2.3.7 Vikhyada Purana
- 2.3.2.3.8 Nandisvara Purana
- 2.3.2.4 Ganapatya Upapuranas
- 2.3.2.4.1 Mudgala Purana
- 2.3.2.4.2 Ganesa Purana
- 2.3.2.4.3 Bhargava Purana
- 2.3.2.5 Saura Upapuranas
- 2.3.2.5.1 Samba Purana
- 2.3.2.5.2 Saura Purana
- 2.3.2.6 General Upapuranas
- 2.3.2.6.1 Bhavisyottara Purana
- 2.3.2.6.2 Brihaddharma Purana
- 2.3.2.7 Uncategorized
- 2.3.2.7.01 Adya Purana (Sanatkumara)

- 2.3.2.7.02 Durvasa Purana
- 2.3.2.7.03 Kapila Purana
- 2.3.2.7.04 Ausanasa Purana
- 2.3.2.7.05 Varuna Purana
- 2.3.2.7.06 Mahesvara Purana
- 2.3.2.7.07 Parasara Purana
- 2.3.2.7.08 Marica Purana
- 2.3.2.7.09 Adi Purana
- 2.3.2.7.10 Aditya Purana
- 2.3.2.7.11 Brihannandisvara Purana
- 2.3.2.7.12 Kriyayogasara (the name of one Padma Purana section)
- 2.3.2.7.13 Dharma Purana
- 2.3.2.7.14 Asamavya Purana
- 2.3.2.7.15 Aunasa (Ausanas) Purana
- 2.3.2.7.16 Basava Purana
- 2.3.2.7.17 Bhandas Purana
- 2.3.2.7.18 Hamsa Purana
- 2.3.2.7.19 Harivamsa Purana
- 2.3.2.7.20 Magha Purana
- 2.3.2.7.21 Manava (Manu) Purana
- 2.3.2.7.22 Medasani-vari Purana
- 2.3.3 Tamil Purana
  - 2.3.3.1. Sthala Purana (glorifying local srine)
    - 2.3.3.1.1 Tiruvilayadal Purana
    - 2.3.3.1.2 Tanikaippuranam
    - 2.3.3.1.3 Kancippuranam
  - 2.3.3.2. Hagiographic Puranas (The Stories of Saints)
    - 2.3.3.2.1 Periyapuramam
    - 2.3.3.2.2 Tiruttondar Puranam
- 2.3.4 Kula Purana
- **2.4 Itihasa**
  - 2.4.1 Ramayana - Valmiki
  - 2.4.2 Mahabharata with Harivamsa - Vedavyasa

### **Vaidika/Astika Schools (based on Vedas)**

- 1. Sad-darsana (Six Systems of Philosophy)
  - 1.1 Nyaya - Gautama
  - 1.2 Vaishesika - Kanada
  - 1.3 Sankhya - Kapila
  - 1.4 Yoga - Patanjali
  - 1.5 Mimamsa - Jaimini
  - 1.6 **Vedanta - Vedavyasa**
    - 1.6.1 Advaita - Adi Sankara (monistic)
    - 1.6.2 Visista-advaita - Ramanuja (monotheistic)
    - 1.6.3 (Suddha)Dvaita - Madhva (monotheistic)
    - 1.6.4 Suddha-advaita - Visnusvami (monotheistic)
    - 1.6.5 Dvaita-advaita - Nimbarka (monotheistic)
    - 1.6.6 **Acintya-bhedabheda - Caitanya Mahaprabhu** (monotheistic)
- 2. Other Schools
  - 2.1 Trika (Kasmir Saiva Monism)



### **Nastika Schools** (not based on Vedas)

1. Tantra (parallel to Vedic tradition; tantric diksa open to everyone; prominent in Kali-yuga)

-- Daksina marga ('right hand')

-- Vama marga ('left hand')

other classification:

-- Vaisnava (mostly Pancaratra)

-- Saiva

-- Sakta

-- Ganapatya

2. Buddhism

-- southern-Theravada ('bhajananandi')

-- northern-Mahayana ('gosthyanandi')

---- Zen (from sanskrit 'dhyana')

---- Jodo/Pure Land (devotional)

-- Tibetan-Vajrayana (tantric)

3. Jainism (stressing ahinsa)

4. Lokayata by Carvaka (materialism-hedonism)

### **Vaisnavism**

Four sampradayas from Brahma, Laksmi, Rudra and Kumaras. Bhagavata marga (monotheistic Vedanta) + pancaratrika marga (murti worship).

### **Gaudiya Vaisnavism**

Lineages of family members (vamsa) and disciples (parivara) coming from the personal associates of Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu. The largest are those from Advaita Acarya and Nityananda/Jahnava Mata.

ISKCON traces its diksa lineage to Gauridas Pandit. He is mentioned in CC Adi 11.26-27 and in CC Antya 6.62. According to the Gaura-ganoddesa-dipika 128 Gauridasa is Subala in Krsna-lila and one of the dvadasa-gopals, Lord Nityananda's main associates.

related: <http://www.veda.harekrsna.cz/encyclopedia/scriptures.htm>