

## **Ritual Tradition of the Atharvaveda (During 2005-2007)**

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### **Edition of the Paraskaragrhyapaddhati of Vasudeva Dikshita**

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Paraskaragrhyapaddhati (PGP) is a Paddhati type of commentary by Vasudeva Diksita on the Paraskaragrhyasutra (PGS), a grhyasutra of the Sukla Yajurveda. The text is alternatively called 'Vasudevi' or 'Vasudevapaddhati'. Vasudeva Diksita (12<sup>th</sup> century A.D.), a renowned commentator of the Sukla tradition, chronologically reserves second place in the list of commentators of the PGS. Other grhya manuals of the Sukla tradition have based their texts keeping Vasudeva's work in front. Yet the text has not seen the light of the day. Hence, an attempt is made here to bring out an edition of the text based on eight manuscripts. Out of these eight manuscripts, six belong to the Oriental Library, Baroda, one from the BORI and one from the Bombay University Library. While editing the text, the methodology of critically editing of any text is thoroughly followed. The final work would be divided in to two parts as follows:

**PART ONE: Introduction** focuses the problem of the Atharvagrhyapaddati, out of which the edition of the present text is emerged. It cites the critical apparatus in detail and furnishes information about the author.

**PART TWO:** constitutes **Paraskaragrhyapaddhati of Vasudeva Diksita (Text and Notes)**

The following indices are appended at the end.

- 1) Mantra Index
- 2) Index to the authors quoted in the text
- 3) Index to the texts quoted
- 4) Quotations Traced