

Bhíma, a river in the Dékhan, an affluent of the Krishna . . . . . भीमा Sanskr.

"*The dreadful*," also a name of Síva.

Bhóirob, a river in Bengál, Lat. 23°, Long. 88° . . . . . Beng.

"*The dreadful*." Bháirava, *the dreadful*, is in Sanskrit a name of Síva. Here, as is usual in Bengáli, it is transformed into Bhóirob, the Bengáli changing the Sanskrit: "a" into "o," and "v" into "b."

Bíder, *see* Berár.

Bhopál, or Bhupálpur, in Málva, Lat. 23°, Long. 77° . . . . . بهوپال (پور) Hind.

"*King*," or "*King's town*." Bhupál, *governing the country (king)*, from bhu, *earth*; pal, *protecting, governing*.

Bhután, a native territory in the Eastern Himálaya under the government of the Dhárma Rája Lama. . . . . भूतन Sanskr.

Bhut, from the root phod . . . . . སྤོར Tib.

"*End of Tibet*." Properly Bhot-ant; Bhot, *Tibet*; anta, *end*.

In this form, though more or less modified, the name has been received into Indian and European literature. The spelling is a modification of the Tibetan word phod, *to be able, to dare*, which, in the softer form, Bod, is still in use amongst the natives for Tibet Proper: see "*Tibet*." B. Hamilton, "*Account of the Kingdom of Nepaul*," p. 8, mentions the word Mádra as the name used in ancient Hindu writings for Bhután.

Biárza, mountains in Bálti, Lat. 35°, Long. 75° . . . . . Bálti.

"*Grass mountains*." Biár, *mountain*; za, or zoá, *grass*.

The Kashmíri travellers call this region, embracing also extensive plateaux, Devasái, or Deosái.

Biás, a river in the Pānjáb . . . . . بیاس Hind.

"*The unfettered river*." Corrupted from the Sanskrit Vipása, or Vyása (व्यास), *pervading*.

The Greek name "Hyphasis," given to this river and to the Sátlej, of which it is an affluent, can also be referred to Vipása.

Bihísht, hot springs in Kúlu, Lat. 32°, Long. 77° . . . . . بهشت Pers.

"*Paradise*." This rather surprising denomination was referred by the natives whom we asked to the fact that the vegetation was very luxuriant and remained undisturbed by the variation in the seasons.