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Yavaneśvara

Flourished (Western India), 149/150

Yavaneśvara translated a Greek astrological text (probably composed in Alexandria in the first half of the second century BCE) into Sanskrit prose in 149/150 at Ujjayinī, the capital of the Western Kṣatrapas, during the reign of Rudradāman I. (Yavaneśvara, literally "lord of the Greeks," was probably a title for leaders of Greek merchants in Western India, circa 78–390, and not a proper name.) This translation, which is no longer extant, was versified and titled *Yavanajātaka* by Sphujidhvaja in 269/270. Verse 61 of Chapter 79 of this work runs:

Yavaneśvara, who sees the truth coming from the brightness of the sun and speaks unembarrassing words, conveyed this treatise on horoscopy for the local authority in primitive words

The work of Yavaneśvara became one of the major sources for Indian horoscopy.

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