



RISE OF MAGADHA

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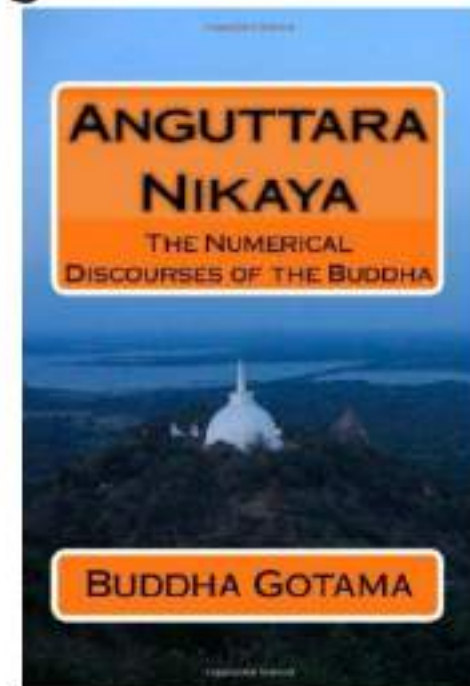
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Buddhist literature **Angutara Nikaya** ⁶ gives a list of 16 great kingdoms or Mahajanapadas in the beginning of 6th century B.C

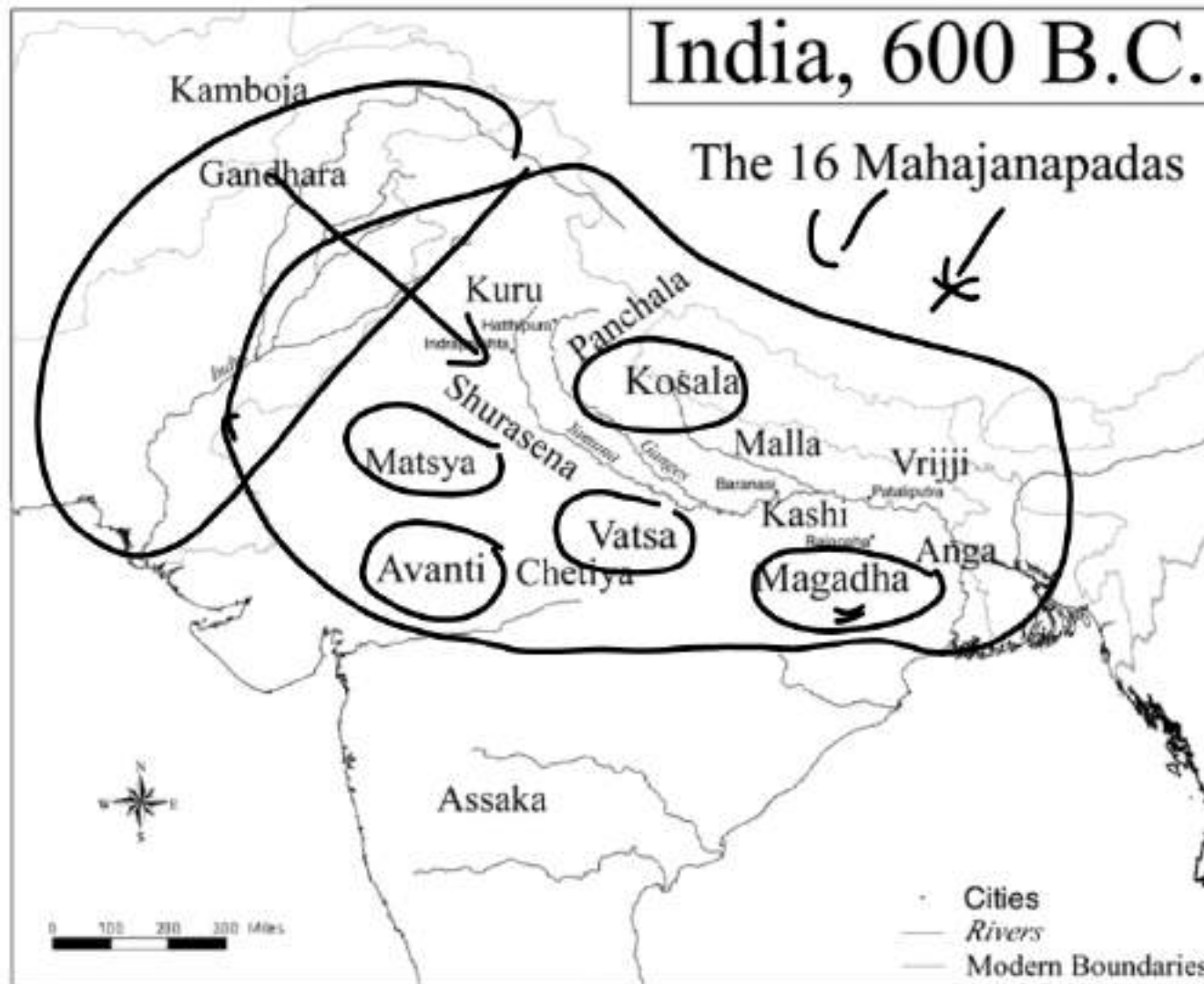
बौद्ध साहित्य अंगुतारा निकाय छठी शताब्दी ईसा पूर्व की शुरुआत में 16 महान राज्यों या महाजनपदों की सूची देता है।





India, 600 B.C.

The 16 Mahajanapadas


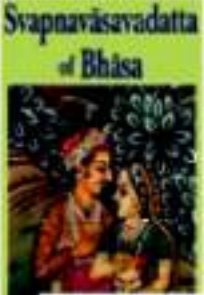



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Mahajanapada	Capital	Unique Aspect
Anga (South of Ganga, Bihar) ✓	Champa	Important <u>trade center for traders moving to South-East Asia</u> (Suvarnabhumi) ✓
 <p>Mahavira (Jnatikas) ✓</p> <p>Vajji (North Bihar) ★</p>	Vaishali ①	<p>It was Republic state with many clans e.g. Lichchavis (capital Vaishali), Videhans (capital Mithila), and Jnatikas (Mahavira belonged to this clan) ✓</p>
Malla	② <u>Kushinagar and Pava</u>	<p>It was also a Republic state. Buddha took his last meal at Pava and entered <u>Mahaparinirvana</u> at Kushinagar</p>
Kashi (Eastern UP)	Varanashi ✓	
Magadha (Bihar)	Rajgir ✓	Haryanka Dynasty ✓



Mahajanapada	Capital	Unique Aspect
<p>Koshala (Ayodhya, Eastern UP)</p>  <p>Buddha (Shakya)</p>	<p>Shravasti →</p>	<p>Its King was Prasenjit (a contemporary of Buddha) It included tribal Republic of Shakyas (capital Kapilvastu) (Birth of Buddha at Lumbini)</p> <p>(3) (4) → (5) Shakya</p>
  <p>Sanskrit Dramas on Vatsa King Udayana</p>	<p>Kaushambi (confluence of Ganga and Yamuna, in Allahabad) ↘</p>	<p>Its King Udayana is the central character in three Sanskrit dramas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Svapnavasavadatta (by Bhasa) (romantic narratives about Udayana and Vasavadatta, the daughter of the ruler of Avanti)• <u>Ratnavalli</u> (by Harsha) (story of beautiful princess named Ratnavali, and king Udayana)• <u>Priyadarshika</u> (also by Harsha) <p>(6) (5) (4)</p>

Mahajanapada	Capital	Unique Aspect
Chetiya or Cheti (Central India) ✓✓	Shuktimati	Its king was Shishupala (also mentioned in Mahabharata)
Panchala (Western UP) ✓	Ahichchhatra (modern Bareilly)	
Kuru (Western UP) ✓	Indraprastha	Mahabharata tells the story of the conflict in the Kuru clan
Shurasena (Western UP) ✓	Mathura	Its king Avantipura was the disciple of Buddha
Matsya (Eastern Rajasthan) ✓	Viratanagara ✕	
Avanti (Central Malwa)- Divided by Vindhya Range	North Avanti: Ujjain South Avanti: Mahismati	
Assaka (situated on the bank of Godavari River) ✓	Potali (modern Nizamabad, Telangana)	Only Mahajanapada lying south of Vindhyas
Gandhara (North-west Pakistan)	Taxila ✕	The Behistun Inscription of the Achaemenid Emperor Darius mentions that Gandhara being conquered by the Persians in 2nd half of the 6th Century BC
Kamboja (North-west Pakistan) ✓	Poonch (J&K) ✓	It was situated on the Uttarapatha and was known for its excellent breed of horses and as remarkable horsemen



In course of time small or weak kingdoms either submitted to stronger rulers or got eliminated.

Finally in 6th century BC only 4 major kingdoms survived:

Monarchy





MAGADHA EMPIRE

①



Haryanka
↓

Sisunga
↓

Nanda



HARYANKA DYNASTY (हरियंका राजवंश)

① Bimbisara ^{52 years}
aka Sreniya

★ Capital → Rajgriha,

(Grandam Budha → contemporary) Bihar





HARYANKA DYNASTY (हरियंका राजवंश)

② Ajāt śatm
↓
Rājgriha

* 1st Buddhist Council → Rājgriha (Bihar) → 483 BC

Patliputra



Vdayein
- (~~उदायिन~~)

(Last ruler - Nagdashaka)

SISUNAGA DYNASTY

(सिसुनाग राजवंश)

① Sisunga ✓



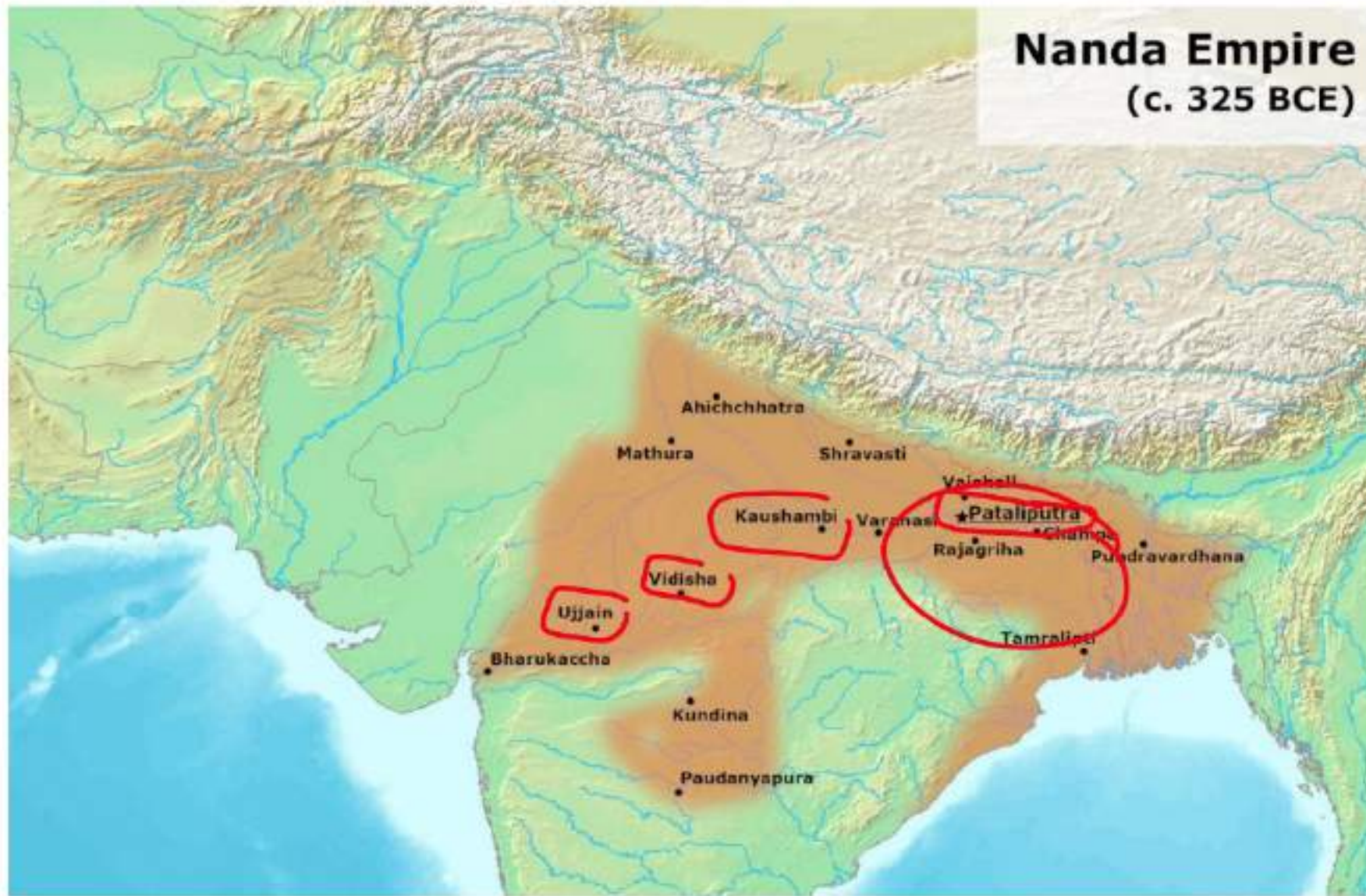
② Kalashoka ✓

2nd Buddhist Council - Vaishali =
(Bihar)



Nanda Empire

(c. 325 BCE)





NANDA DYNASTY(नंद वंश)

① Mahapadma Nanda,
(the first historical king of India)
aka → "Sarva Kshatriyatata."
(destroyer of Kshatriyas)

Alexander ← Dhana Nand

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MAURYAN EMPIRE (मौर्य साम्राज्य)



Megasthenes → Indica

Bhadrabahu

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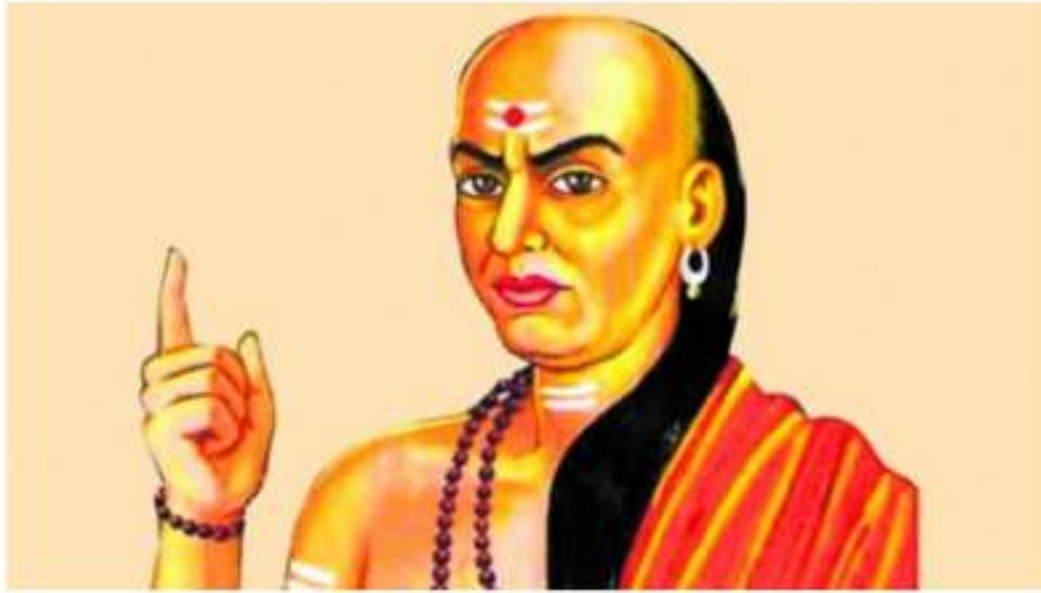
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Charakys -
Kautalya -
Vishnugupta -

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(Arthashastra)

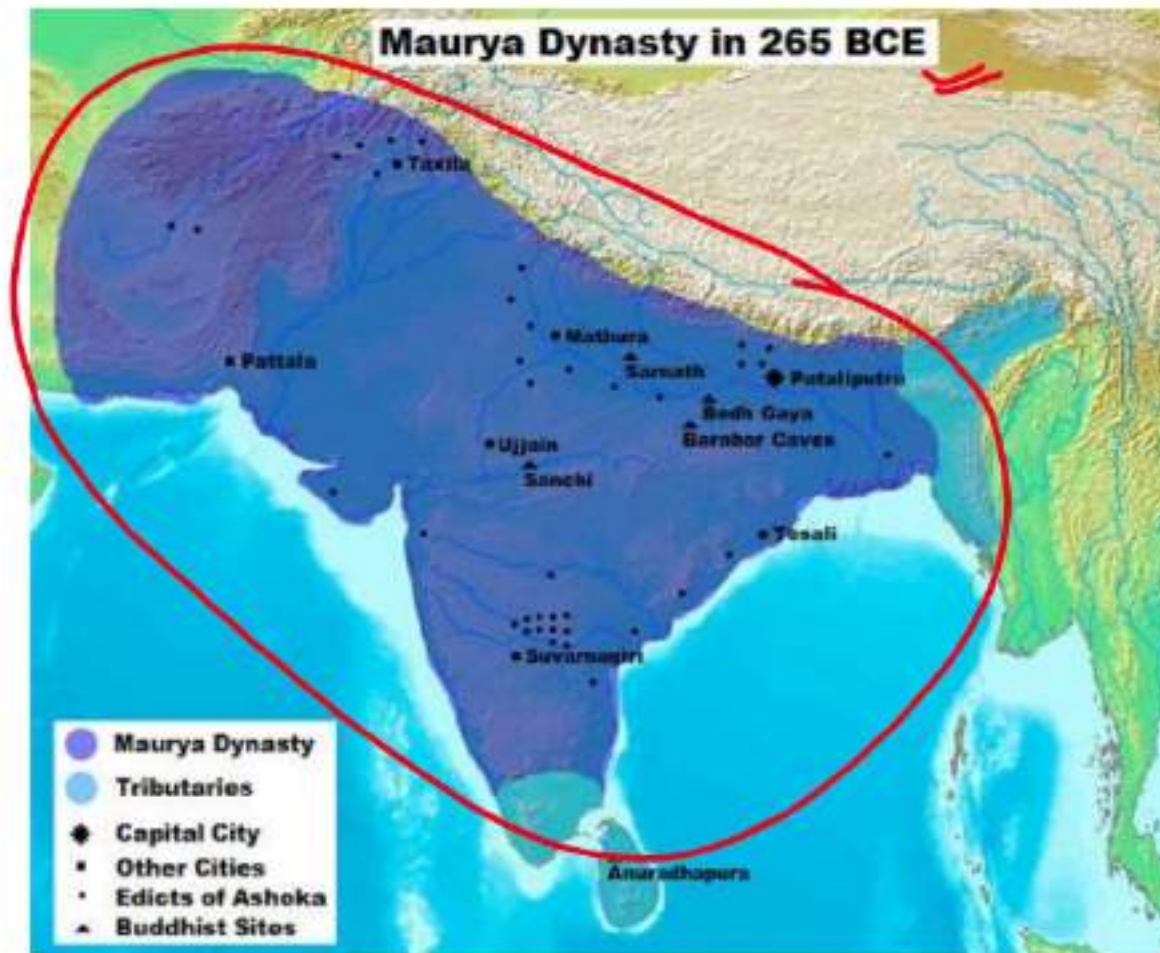


Bindusara

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Anitaghata

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Samrat Ashoka





Devanampiya

(Sanskrit Devanampriya
meaning Beloved of the Gods)
and Piyadasi.

देवनम्पिया (संस्कृत देवनमप्रिय का
अर्थ है देवताओं का प्रिय) और प्रियदसी

261 BC → Kalinga war,
James
Prinsep → Upgupta

Chanakya → Indian Machiavelli'



Buddhist Councils

Buddhist Council	Patron	Venue	Chairman	Year
First	Ajatashatru ✓	Rajgriha ✓	Mahakashyapa ✓	483 BC
Second ✓	Kalashoka ✓	Vaishali ✓	Sabbakami ✓	383 BC
Third	Ashoka	Patliputra	Mogaliputra	250 BC
Fourth	Kanishka ✓✓	Kundalban (Kashmir)	Vasumitra ✓	72 AD ✓✓

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