GLOSSARY.

Abhayamudra	•••	A particular position of fingers of the Buddha indicating freedom from fear.
Ajivikas	•••	Followers of Ajivika sect opposed to Brahmanism.
Bhog	•••	Food offered to an idol.
Bigha	•••	Particular land measure.
Bikshus	•••	Buddhist monks.
Biri	***	A cheap smoke made of tobacco and kendu leaves.
Burees	•••	A preparation of pulse which is fried and consumed.
Chaitya	•••	A monument or a funerary memorial of the Buddhists and Jains.
Chapati	•••	Bread made of flour.
Charak	•••	An ordeal where people are branded. This has been made illegal.
Chaukidar	•••	Village watchman.
Dafadar	. •••	In village constabulary a Dafadar is superior to chaukidar.
Dal	•••	Pulse.
Dargahs	•••	Tomb of the Muslim saints.
Dharmashala	•••	A charitable institution (rest house for sojourner).
Dharmavijaya	•••	Conquest or victory of religion.
Digvija ya	•••	A planned conquest on various directions.
Farmans	•••	King's orders or warrants.
Garuda	•••	A kind of big bird, the enemy of serpents and supposed to be the vehicle of Lord Vishnu.
Ghats	•••	Stairs made for bathing in a river or pond.
Ghazis	•••	Persons who have attained celebrity as a conqueror.
Gotras	•••	A sept of the sub-castes.

Goushala	•••	Cattle stable.
Hakim	•••	Medical practitioner of Yunani medicine.
Jagirs	•••	A royal or imperial grant of rent-free land in cognition for certain services.
Jatras		An open air theatre.
Kababs	•••	A hot spicy meat preparation.
Kamiyas	•••	Bond-servants of the richer folks used for cultivation. This has been made illegal.
Karbala	•••	Karbala is generally built by the Shia sect of the Muslim community to commemorate the death of Ali, the grand-son of the prophet who was killed as a martyr in the battle of Karbala in Arabia.
Khanquahs	•••	Schools, Colleges, and libraries built for religious purposes.
Khetra	•••	A sacred spot of pilgrims.
Kirtan	•••	A party of musicians who sing a particular kind of religious songs.
Kirtimukhas	•••	A grost lions face.
Litti	•••	A spicy preparation of wheat flour and sattu.
Mahantha		The head of the temple.
Mahayana		One of the two premier sects of Buddhism.
Mahzarnamas		Petitions.
$Malfuzat \dots$,	Sayings of Muslim saints.
Mela or Urs		Fairs which form a popular feature in the country side.
Morabba		A kind of sweet made of fruit.
Munja	•••	A kind of reeds used for making baskets, etc.
Nakshatras	•••	There are 27 nakshatras according to Hindu
		calendar which are calculated according to phases of the moon.
Nirvana		Salvation or ascension.
Pairbikara	•••	A shrewd man whose profession is to make the parties fight cases and he visits the courts to help one party.
Pakorahs	•••	An indigenous fried preparation.

Pandan	•••	•••	A small metal plate in which betel is offered to guests.
Parganas	•••	•••	Parganas are fiscal units. In one pargana there are several villages.
Parwanas	•••		Summons issued by a proper authority.
Path salas	•••	•••	Village schools.
Patwari	•••	•••	A village revenue collector.
Pindas	•••	•••	Rice balls or flour cakes offered to manes or deceased persons.
Pirs	•••	•••	Muslim saints.
Pithipati	•••	•••	The lord of the earth.
Rabi crop	8	•••	Crops that are harvested in the month of February-March.
Raiyats	•••	•••	Tenants who hold lands.
Rishi	•••	•••	Sages, great man.
Sadars	•••	•••	Religious dignitaries of the great Mughal.
Saivite	***	•••	The follower of the Saiva sect of Hindu religion.
Sanads	•••	•••	Royal orders or certificates by which some valuables are bestowed or conferred.
Sattu	•••	•••	Powder of fried corn taken in raw form.
Siki	•••	•••	A kind of reed used for weaving baskets, etc.
Smritis	•••		Books on Hindu law. There are six smritis.
Sradh		•••	A funeral rite performed for the emancipation of souls.
Stupa	•••	•••	Buddhistic constructions for keeping holy relics.
Subahdar	•••	•••	Suba means province, as such Subahdar means Governor of a province.
Sufism	•••	•••	A sect of Islam which had produced many saints.
Svastika	•••	•••	A kind of mystical mark on persons or things denoting good luck; a particular symbol made with ground rice and shaped like a triangle.
Tari		•••	Toddy (Fermented juice or liquor of palm tree).

Tasar	•••	•••	A kind of fine silken cloth.
Thugee	•••		A band of cheats who used to move about and would rob or even commit murders.
Tirthanka	708	•••	The sanctified saints of the Jains. There were 24 of them the last being Mahavira Vardhmana.
Treta		***	Treta is the second of the four Yugas of Hindus. The Yuga is a long mundane period. (There are four Yugas comprise 4,32,000 years of men.)
Vaid	•••		Ayurvedic medical practitioner.
Vedas	***	***	The sacred, ancient and immortal books of the Hindus. There are four Vedas.
Yakshini.			A female fiend or deity

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