

Vaidika texts and traditions - abridged

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Sruti texts ('original Veda')

- 1.1 Samhita
- 1.2 Brahmana
- 1.3 Aranyaka
- 1.4 Upanisad

Smriti texts

- 2.1 Vedanga (lit. 'the limb of Veda')
 - 2.1.1 Siksa - phonetics (Panini)
 - 2.1.2 Chanda - meter (Pingalacarya)
 - 2.1.3 Vyakarana - grammar (Panini)
 - 2.1.4 Nirukta - etymology (Yaska)
 - 2.1.5 Jyotisa - astronomy and astrology (Garga)
 - 2.1.6 Kalpa - ritual
- 2.2 Upaveda
 - 2.2.1 Arthaveda (state organization)
 - 2.2.2 Ayurveda (medicine)
 - 2.2.3 Dhanurveda (warfare)
 - 2.2.4 Gandharvaveda (music)
 - 2.2.5 Sthapatyaveda (architecture)
- 2.3 Purana
 - 2.3.1 Mahapurana
 - 2.3.2 Upapurana
 - 2.3.3 Tamil Purana
 - 2.3.4 Kula Purana
- 2.4 Itihasa
 - 2.4.1 Ramayana - Valmiki
 - 2.4.2 Mahabharata with Harivamsa - Vedavyasa

Vaidika/Astika Schools (based on Vedas)

- 1. Sad-darsana (Six Systems of Philosophy)
 - 1.1 Nyaya - Gautama
 - 1.2 Vaishesika - Kanada
 - 1.3 Sankhya - Kapila
 - 1.4 Yoga - Patanjali
 - 1.5 Mimamsa - Jaimini
 - 1.6 **Vedanta - Vedavyasa**
 - 1.6.1 Advaita - Adi Sankara (monistic)
 - 1.6.2 Visista-advaita - Ramanuja (monotheistic)
 - 1.6.3 (Suddha)Dvaita - Madhva (monotheistic)
 - 1.6.4 Suddha-advaita - Visnusvami (monotheistic)
 - 1.6.5 Dvaita-advaita - Nimbarka (monotheistic)
 - 1.6.6 **Acintya-bhedabheda - Caitanya Mahaprabhu** (monotheistic)

-- 2. Other Schools

---- 2.1 Trika (Kasmir Saiva Monism)

Nastika Schools (not based on Vedas)

1. Tantra (parallel to Vedic tradition; tantric diksa open to everyone; prominent in Kali-yuga)

-- Daksina marga ('right hand')

-- Vama marga ('left hand')

other classification:

-- Vaisnava (mostly Pancaratra)

-- Saiva

-- Sakta

-- Ganapatya

2. Buddhism

-- southern-Theravada ('bhajananandi')

-- northern-Mahayana ('gosthyanandi')

---- Zen (from sanskrit 'dhyana')

---- Jodo/Pure Land (devotional)

-- Tibetan-Vajrayana (tantric)

3. Jainism (stressing ahinsa)

4. Lokayata by Carvaka (materialism-hedonism)

Vaisnavism

Four sampradayas from Brahma, Laksmi, Rudra and Kumaras. Bhagavata marga (monotheistic Vedanta) + pancaratika marga (murti worship).

Gaudiya Vaisnavism

Lineages of family members (vamsa) and disciples (parivara) coming from the personal associates of Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu. The largest are those from Advaita Acarya and Nityananda/Jahnavi Mata.

ISKCON traces its diksa lineage to Gauridas Pandit. He is mentioned in CC Adi 11.26-27 and in CC Antya 6.62. According to the Gaura-ganoddesa-dipika 128 Gauridasa is Subala in Krsna-lila and one of the dvadasa-gopals, Lord Nityananda's main associates.

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