

# WRITERS (AND THEIR BOOKS) OF KASHMIR FROM EARLY TIMES TO 1947

FOR GENERAL INFORMATION

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APPROXIMATE DATE	NAME OF WRITER	BOOKS	LIVED DURING THE RULE OF
-	Vasunanda	Handbook on erotics	Kstinanda, Visunanda, Nara II, Aksa
-	Chandkar		Tunjina I
-	Mentha	Hayagrivadha	Matrgupta
699-736 AD	Jayanta Bhatta	Nayanamanjari	Lalitaditya Muktapida
751-782 AD	Vamana Bhatta Damodar Gupta Ksiravamin  Bhatta Udbhata Thakkiya Manoratha Sankhadanta Cataka Sandhimat	Kavyalamkaravrtti Kuttinimata Grammatical treaties and Commentary on Amarkosa  Alamkarasatra  Verses quoted in Subhasitavali	Jayapida
801 -813 AD	1.Vasugupta 2.Rudrat	1.Spanda Karika 2.Srngartilaka	Cipattajayapida - Brhaspati
855 -883 AD	1.Sivasvamin 2.Somananda 3.Utpaladeva 4.Anandavardhana  5.Ratnakara 6.Muktakana  7.Bhatta Kallata	1.Kapphanabhyudaya 2.Sivadrsti 3.Pratyabhejna 4.(a)Wanyaloka (b) Dersataka 5.Haravijaya 6.Known through quotations in two treaties of Ksemendra  7.Spanda Sarvasva	Avanti Varman

906 -921 AD	Induraja	Kavyalankara	Partha
939 -948 AD	Kayyata	Laghuvrtti	Yasaskara
980/I-1003 AD	Abhinavagupta	a.Tantraloka b.Parmarthasara c.Pratyabhijna Vimarsini d. Pratyabhijna Vi Vrti-Vimarsini e. Para-Trimisika- Vivarama f. Tantrasara	Didida
1003-28 AD	Ksemaraja ( Pupil of Abhinavagupta)	a. Siva-sutra-Vrtti b. Siva-Sutra-Vimarsini c. Pratyabhijna-Hridaya d. Spanda-Sandoha e. Spanda-Nirnaya (Besides commentaries on several Tantras)	Samgramaraja
1028-1063 AD	Ksemendra  Yogaraja (Pupil of Ksemaraja Bilhana)	a. Desopadesa and Narmamala b. Darpadalana, Kalavilasa, Sanvayamatrika c. Vrhatkathamanjari, Bharatamanjari, Ramayanamanjari d. Pavanpancasika and Suvrttilakam Kavikanthabharana, Cirtabharata, Kanakajanaki, Amrtataranga ( and other works) Commentary on the Paramarthasara of Abinavagupta Vikramarika-deracarita, Caurapancasika, Karnasundari	Ananta
1063-1089 AD	Somadeva	Kathasaritasagara	Kalasa
1101-11 AD	Ruyyaka  Mammata	Alamkarasarvasva  Kavyaprakasa	Uccala
1128-54 AD	Kalhana  Mankha	Rajatarangini  Srikanthacarita	Jayasimha
1198-1213 AD	Jayadratha	Haricaritacintamani	Sri Jagadeva
1339-1342 AD	Jagadhar Bhatta	Stuti-Kusumanjali	(Shah Mir) or Shams-ud-din,I, Sultan
1342-1354 AD	Lalla Ded or Lalleshwari	Lalla-Vakyyani	Ala-ud-din Sultan
1373-1389 AD	Shaikh Nur-ud-din	Religious and Philosophical Sayings	Qutub-ud-din, Sultan

1420-1470 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mulla Ahmad</li> <li>2. Hakim Mansur</li> <li>3. Mulla Nadiri</li> <li>4. U Ha Soma</li> <li>5. Jonaraja</li> <li>6. Srivara</li> <li>7. Bhatta Avatara</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.(a) Bahr-ul-Asmar ( Persian translation of Rajatarangini)</li> <li>(b) Tarikh-i-Waga-i-Kashmir</li> <li>(c) Persian translation of Mahabharata ( Perhaps the first Persian translation of the great epic)</li> <li>2. Kifayahi-Mansuri</li> <li>3. a. Divan</li> <li>b. History of Kashmir Jaina-Carita (in Kashmir)</li> <li>Rajatarangini II ( 1150-1459)</li> <li>a. Rajatarangini III (1459-1486)</li> <li>b. Katha Kantuka ( based on Jami's Yusuf-Zulaikha)</li> <li>Jaina-Vilasa</li> </ol>	Badshah or Zain-ul-abidin, Sultan
1493-1505 AD	Prajnabhatta	Rajavalipataka ( Continuation of Rajatarangini – history of Kashmir from 1486-1512 AD)	Muhammad Shah, Sultan
1516-1537 AD	Shaikh Yaqub Sarfi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Tafsir-Maslak-ul-Akhyar</li> <li>b. Wamiq-u-Azjra</li> <li>c. Laila-Majnun</li> <li>d. Maghazin-Nabi</li> <li>e. Maqamat-i-Murshid</li> <li>f. Divan, Qasaid and Ghazals</li> </ol>	Muhammad Shah, Sultan
1540-1551 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mirza Haider Dughlat</li> <li>2. Vallabhadeva</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tarikhi-Rashidi</li> <li>2. Padyavali</li> </ol>	Nazuk Shah, Sultan
1579-1586 AD	Habba Khatun	Lyrics	Yusuf Shah Chak
1605-1627 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sayed Muhammad Mahdi</li> <li>2. Haider Malik Cadura</li> <li>3. Sahib Kaul</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Baharistan-i-Shabi ( History of Kashmir from earliest times to 1614 AD)</li> <li>2. Tarikhi-Kashmir (written in 1617-20)</li> <li>3. a. Krishna-Avatara</li> <li>b. Janma-Carita</li> </ol>	Jahangir
1628-1657 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mulla Muhsin Fani</li> <li>2. Rupa Bhawani</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dabastani Mazahib</li> <li>2. Philosophical Verses in Kashmiri</li> </ol>	Shah Jehan
1658-1707 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ghani</li> <li>2. Ratnakhantha</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dewan-i-Ghani</li> <li>2. Kusumanjali-Tika</li> </ol>	Aurangzeb
1707-1752 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Narayan Kaul</li> <li>2. Khwaja Muhammad A'zam Mustaghni Kaul (?) Didamari</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Muntakhaba-ul-Tawarikh</li> <li>2. a. Waqulat-i-Kashmir also called Tarikh-i-A'zami</li> <li>b. Sharh-i-Kibri-Ahmar</li> <li>c. Samarat-ul-Ashjar</li> <li>d. Tajribat-ul-Talibin</li> </ol>	Later Moghuls
1752-1772 AD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Mullalal Muhammad Taufiq</li> <li>2.Abdul Wahhab Shaiq</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Shah-nama-i-Kashmir</li> <li>2.Versified history of Kashmir</li> </ol>	Ahmad Shah Durrani

	3.Mirza Muhatshani Khan Fida	3.Poetical Verses	
1772-1793 AD	1.Mir Sadullah Shahabadi 2.Mulla Hidayatullah, Mattu 3.Mufti Mohammed Sudrud Din Wafac 4.Mir Abdulla Baihaqi	1.Bagh-i-Sulaiman 2.Takmila-i-Tarikh-A'zami 3.a. Masnavi b. Tuhfat-ul-usshuq 4.Poetical verses	Timur Shah
1793-1801 AD	1.Mrs. Bhawani Das Kachru	Lyrics in Kashmiri	Zaman Shah
1801-1819 AD	Ganga Prasad	Samsar maya Mohajal Sukh Dukh Carita ( a work in Kashmiri poetry)	Mahmud Shah Shuja-ul-Mulk
1819-1839 AD	1.Pt. Birbal Kachru 2.Parmananda	1. mukhtasar-ul-Tawarikh 2. a. Sudama Carita b. Rasha Svayamvar c. Siva-Lagna	Maharaja Ranjit Singh
1846-1857 AD	1.Mirza Saif-ud-din Beg 2.Mulla Muhammad Khalil Mirjanpuri 3.Mir Azizullah Qalandhar 4.Mahamud Gani	1. Khulasat-ul-Tawarikh 2.Tarikh-i-Kashmir 3.Tarikh-i-Kashmir 4.a. Yusuf Zulaikha b. Laila-wa-Majnu c. Shrin-o-Khusrav d. Harun-ur-Rashid	Maharaja Gulab Singh
1857-1885 AD	1.Diwan Kirpa Ram 2.Pir Hassan Shah 3.Abdul Wahhab Pare	1.a. Gulzar-i-Kashmiri b. Gulab – nama 2. Tarikh-i-Kashmir 3.a. Divan-i-Wahhab b. Darveshi c. Sailab-nama d. Kar-i-Patwar	Maharaja Ranbir Singh
1885-1925 AD	1.Krishna Das 2.Maqbul Shah Krahvari 3.Abdul Ahad Nazim 4.Rasul Mir Shabadi	Kashmiri Poetry Kashmiri Poetry Kashmiri Poetry Kashmiri Poetry	Maharaja Pratap Singh
1925-1947 AD	1.Pirzada Gulam Ahmad Mahjur 2.Abdul Ahad Azad 3.Master Zinda Kaul	Kashmiri Poetry Kashmiri Poetry Kashmiri Poetry	Maharaja Hari Singh