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Kashmir is a land steeped in ancient Vedic culture as seen in place names of its villages and place names of its lakes and as we shall see it has many beautiful mountains and peaks whose names express the language of Sanskrit.

'Mahadev' is a mountain peak named after 'Siva' the great (maha) god (deva) and part of a mountain range known as 'Zabarwan' a name from Sanskrit whose meaning may be the abode (vana) of nectar (sabar).

'Mahadev' is surrounded by the lakes of 'Tarsar' and 'Marsar' and 'Sundersar' all names from Sanskrit meaning the lake (sara) pass (tara) the killer (mara) lake (sara) and the beautiful (sundara) lake (sara).

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'Brammah' is a mountain within the lands of Kashmir which is so named because it possesses four peaks just as the creator god 'Brahma' possesses four heads and three of these peaks are named 'Brammah one' 'Brammah two' and 'Arjuna'.

'Harmukh' is a sacred mountain as its the mountain of both 'Siva' and 'Parasuram' its name being the crown (mukuta) of siva (hara) a mountain surrounded by the rivers 'Kishanganga' 'Sindh' and 'Gangabal lake' all names from Sanskrit.

'Amarnath Peak' is a sacred mountain which possesses the 'Amarnath cave' where we find the shrine of 'Svayambhu lingam' and the name of this mountain is Lord Siva who is known as the immortal (amara) god (natha).

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