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This is to state that Mrs Manik Shrinanda Thakar has prepared this dissertation under my supervision at the Centre of Advanced Study in Sanskrit, Pune-7. She has worked on a topic which has not been tackled before by other scholars in the pellucid manner in which she has done it.

She has scrutinised the material available in the Śaiva Purāṇas on various aspects of the Aṣṭāṅga Yoga of Patañjali. The present study is a nice piece of research work based on the comparison between the Śaiva Purāṇas. On the one hand and the Yoga Sūtras and their principal commentaries on the other. The analysis of the material and the interpretation of the same is the original contribution of Mrs Manik Thakar.

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