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Kharitas: Kharitas are official correspondences addressed to the Rajput rulers of Rajasthan by the Maratha rulers. The kharitas issued by Peshwa, Shinde and Holkar for the entire period of study are available in the Rajasthan state Archives, Bikaner. These kharitas are very comprehensive and cover a wide range of information pertaining to the Maratha affairs in Rajasthan and their dealings with the Rajput rulers. They contain specific messages from the Maratha rulers to the rulers of Jaipur about their demands for regular payment of tribute and territorial claims in Jaipur. The kharitas exchanged between the rulers of Rajput states also
give valuable information. The following Kharitas have been used:

- Gwalier Kharita.
- Indore Kharita.
- Gwalier- Jodhpur Kharita.
- Indore- Jodhpur Kharita
- Gwalier- Jaipur Kharita.
- Indore- Jodhpur Kharita.
- Jodhpur- Jaipur Kharita.
- Bikaner- Jaipur Kharita.
- Karauli- Jaipur Kharitas.

Draft Kharitas: These are the draft of the kharitas sent by the rulers of Jaipur to the other rulers. They also offer valuable information on Maratha-Rajput relations.

Dastur Komvar: These records contain details of persons from different regions who visited the Jaipur state and also went to the court of the ruler. The Maratha visitors of varying stature are listed under Dastur Dikhani. These records cover political, social and cultural aspects of Jaipur-Maratha relations.

Arzdasht: These are collection of letters written by the Jaipur state officials to the ruler furnishing information on different matters which they considered worth bringing to the knowledge of the ruler. They also give information regarding the movements of the Marathas.

Amber Records: Amber Records are in the form of letters written by an official to his superior. Some letters contain information about the activities and movements of the Marathas within Jaipur territory.

Yaddashti: Yaddashtis are memoranda of information pertaining to agrarian and administrative issues and expenditure incurred by the state to meet specific requirements. Yaddashti Deckhnia Ne Rupia Diya Ki records actual payments
made to the Marathas over a period of time.

**Chithis:** Chithis are letters written to the Amils of the parganas of Jaipur state. Chithis contain response of the state to all the matters that were reported to the higher state authorities. The chithis also contain specific instructions to the pargana officials. Chithis for the second half of the Eighteenth century offer valuable information on the economic implications of the Maratha inroads for the rural society and economy.

**Arhsatta:** Arhsatta or the revenue records of the parganas under Jaipur furnish information about the impact of the Maratha incursions on crop production and revenue yield of the khalisa villages of the affected parganas.

**Jodhpur Records:**

**Dastari Records:** These are preserved in the form of Bundles and Bahis. This collection comprise of letters received by the Jodhpur rulers from other states. Dastari Records are the most important source for the construction of Jodhpur-Maratha relations.

**Arzi Bahis:** These Bahis contain letters dispatched from Jodhpur to different Maratha sardars and cover many aspects of the relations of the Maratha sardars with Jodhpur.

**Kharita Bahis:** These Bahis record the kharitas written by the Jodhpur ruler to the Maratha sardars and heads of the states of Rajasthan. The letters received from the Maratha side and other rulers of Rajput states are also available in Kharita Bahis.

**The Hath Bahis:** These Bahis contain rules and regulations formed in the Jodhpur state from time to time.

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