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_Kumārasambhava_ is one of the greatest poem ever written in Sanskrit literature. The reputation of _Kumārasambhava_ is very high and it is appreciated and exalted as one of the five Mahākāvyas in Sanskrit literature. Since the work got much popularity due to its poetic merit, a number of commentaries were written on the work throughout India in Sanskrit as well as vernaculars. There are about forty four commentaries on _Kumārasambhava_ available now. Among these, the present commentary written by Vidyāmādhava is very famous among the scholars of Sanskrit.

This thesis is divided into three chapters. The first chapter is The Author- Identity Life and Works. This chapter has two parts. The first part discusses the whereabouts of the author and the second part discusses the scholarship, the intensive and extensive
knowledge, of Vidyāmādhava. The second chapter is Critical Analysis of the Commentary. During the submission of final synopsis there occurred a typographical error that instead of first chapter it read as 'the second chapter has two parts.' The third chapter is Critical Edition of the Commentary.

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