



In Bhaumika Manvantara every Root-Race is separated by a catastrophe, a cataclysm (Cf BCW V 163) — a kind of minor pralaya. Ever-recurring cataclysms by fire and water close the cycle of every Root-Race. (Cf SD II 307 fn & 309)

When a globe of a planetary chain goes into "obscuration" [or dormancy, so that Humanity can rest between two planets] every quality, including heat, retires from it and it remains in statu quo, like the "sleeping Beauty," until Fohat, the "Prince Charmant," awakens it with a kiss. (Cf BCW X 393)

Mankind, from the First down to the last, or Seventh Race, is composed of one and the same company of actors, who have descended from higher spheres to perform their artistic tour on this our planet, Earth. Starting as pure spirits on our downward journey around the world (verily!) with the knowledge of truth — now feebly echoed in the Occult Doctrines — inherent in us, cyclic law brings us down to the reversed apex of matter, which is lost down here on earth and the bottom of which we have already struck; and then, the same law of spiritual gravity will make us slowly ascend to still higher, still purer spheres than those we started from. (BCW XIV 303)

Duration of each Root-Race in this Round, here on Earth. (BCW XIII 304)

Race 1	1,574,344
Race 2	3,148,688
Race 3	4,723,032
Race 4	6,297,376
Race 5	7,871,720
Race 6	9,446,064
Race 7	11,020,408
Total	44,081,632



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## BHAUMIKA OR EARTHLY MANVANTARA

Human Period of Activity on Planet Earth (Globe D) in this, our Fourth Round, inaugurated by Manu Vaivasvata. It consists of seven distinct Root-Races which are outside purely anthropological division.

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