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VARANASI figures as one of the early Aryan Settlement in the later vedic literature. It was ruled by Brahmadata Dynasty & it flourished along with Kausambi & Hastinapura. KASI, one of the Sixteen Mahajanapadas used to Represent the Kingdom of the same name with Varanasi as its CAPITAL by about 650 B.C. It was included in the kingdom of Kosala & latter, When a Kosala Prince was married to King BIMBISARA of Magadha, The Revenues of Varanasi were assigned to her as –pin-money and thus it came under Magadha. The Nandas, The Mauryas and the Sungas, Who were all Magadhan powers, were ruling over Varanasi during the heyday of their power, But by About 50 B.C. It appears that ASWAGHOSA, a King of Kausambi, was ruling over the area. Varanasi was also an important centre of Administration during the KUSANA & Ksatrapa region....

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