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Anekantavada

Doctrine that reality has many sides, so a single absolute judgement is incomplete.

Five great vows

Ahimsa, truth, non-stealing, celibacy, and non-possession for Jain monks.

Shravanabelagola

Karnataka centre with the Gomateshwara statue, a major Digambara pilgrimage and royal-patronage site.

Hathigumpha inscription

Kharavela of Kalinga records among other acts a Jain-linked royal career in early historic Odisha.

Vilas Sangave

Sociological studies of Jain community organisation, sects, and urban lay life.

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