



ĀŠBANAKKUŠ

ĀŠBANAKKUŠ (Elamite áš-ba-na-ak-ku-iš), name of an Iranian in the Persepolis Fortification Tablets (ed. R. T. Hallock, Chicago, 1969, p. 485, no. 1782) who received 9 BAR of grain supplied by Mu-iz-ri-ya. The name clearly contains Iranian *aspa-* “horse” but the second part has not yet been satisfactorily explained. E. Benveniste (*Titres et noms propres en iranien ancien*, Paris, 1966, p. 78) suggested **naxva-* (cf. Arm. *nax* “forward, in front” and NPers. *noxost* “first,” etc.), translating the name as “he who is at the head of the horses.” This interpretation was doubted by M. Mayrhofer, *Onomastica Persepolitana*, Vienna, 1973, pp. 129, 8.117.

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