



BAGAZUŠTA

BAGAZUŠTA, Old Iranian personal name. **Baga-zušta*– “beloved of the god(s)” is the Median counterpart of Old Persian **baga-dušta*-, which is attested in Elamite Ba-ka-du-iš-da and Greek Megadóstes (Benveniste, *Titres et noms propres en iranien ancien*, Paris, 1966, p. 117; Hinz, *Altiranisches Sprachgut der Nebenüberlieferungen*, Wiesbaden, 1975, p. 55).

1. The manufacturer of a plate in a Persepolis text of 467/66 B.C. (R. A. Bowman, *Aramaic Ritual Texts from Persepolis*, Chicago, 1970, no. 18.2: *bgpÁjšt*, to be corrected to *bgzšt* according to M. N. Bogolyubov, *Izvestiya Akademii Nauk SSSR. Seriya literatury i yazyka* 32, 1973, p. 177).
2. A “Caspian” from Elephantine island, son of Bāzu (P. Grelot, *Semitica* 21, 1971, p. 108) and husband of Ūbīl, in Aramaic documents of 437, 434 and 401 (402?) B.C. (E. G. Kraeling, *The Brooklyn Museum Aramaic Papyri*, New Haven, 1953, nos. 3.2ff. and 12.4ff. [*bgzšt*]; no. 4.3 [*bgzwšt*]).
3. A Persian dignitary of unknown rank (Ba-ga-zu-uš-tu₄/tú) in a Babylonian deed of Xerxes’ reign (Amherst 258:4.12; A. Ungnad, *Archiv für Orientforschung* 19, 1959-60, pp. 80ff.; M. A. Dandamayev, “Vavilonskii dokument o drevnikh irantsakh,” in *Voprosy iranskoĭ i obshcheĭ filologii*, Tiflis, 1977, pp. 93-97).
4. A foreman (*šaknu*) of Indians, son of Bagapātu, in Babylonian documents of 423 to 417 B.C. (*BE* X 53:24, Lo.E.; 70:6. 9, R. [Ba-ga-³-zu-uš-tu₄]; *PBS* II/1, 4:17; 16:17, L.E.; 135:25, L.E.; 137:15 [Ba-ga-³-zu-uš-tu₄]; *TMHC* 190:14 [Ba-ga-³-zu-uš-tu₄]).



5. Another such foreman, son of Parurê (Ba-ga-zu-uš-tu₄), in a deed of 425 B.C. (*BE IX 76:11*).
6. The son of a certain Bagadâtu (Ba-ga-zu-uš-tu₄) in a document of 422 B.C. (*PBS II/1, 192:18, U.E.*).
7. A Lycian from Telmessus (Megasústas) in two Greek honorary inscriptions (*TAM II/1, 15 II 3; 15 III/IV 5; 16, 2*) from Roman times.

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