

Banyan tree along with Kālī and his son. The hosts of the two armies fought continuously against each other.

19. Decorated with gemset ornaments, Śaṅkhaśat sat on his gemset throne of great beauty attended upon by a crore Dānavas.

20. Then ensued a great war in which both gods and Asuras were crushed. In that great war many divine and miraculous weapons were hurled.

21-22. Maces, long and short swords, Paṭṭiśas, Bhuśuṇḍis, Mudgaras (different kinds of iron clubs), javelins, spears, Parighas, Śaktis, axes, arrows, Tomaras, Śataghnīs, and other weapons shone in the hands of the heroes.

23. Using these weapons, the heroes severed the heads of each other. It was a jubilant occasion for the roaring heroes of the armies.

24. Elephants, horses, chariots and foot soldiers along with their drivers and riders were hit and split up.

25. The arms, thighs, hands, hips, ears and feet were cut off. The banners, arrows, swords, coats of mail and excellent ornaments were slit and split.

26. The earth shone with heads divested of coronets but with earrings retained, strewn about and with thighs resembling trunks of elephants broken off during the tussle.

27. Severed arms with the ornaments and weapons still retained and other limbs too were lying scattered about like honeycombs.

28. The soldiers running in the battle field saw several headless bodies that jumped with many weapons lifted in their hands.

29. With different kinds of miraculous and ordinary weapons and missiles, the heroes of great strength and valour fought one another shouting and leaping.

30. Some heroes killed the soldiers with their arrows fitted with goden tips and roared like water-laden rumbling clouds.

31. One hero fully encompassed another hero as well as his chariot and charioteer, by discharging heaps of arrows like the rainy season covering up the sun under the clouds.

32. Fighters of duel rushed against one another, challenging, thrusting and diving in at the vulnerable points.