

sahadevaśyālāh); (5) Bhīma assured Yudhiṣṭhira that with the support of Śrījayas and Kekayas they were sure to get back the lost kingdom 3. 34. 85; (6) Kṛṣṇa mentioned Kekayas among those who would help them in the war 3. 120. 25; (7) Draupadī warned Jayadratha that if he tried to abduct her, Kekayas and Vṛṣṇi warriors would chase him to rescue her (*kekayās cāpi sarve |...mama...padavīm careyuh*) 3. 252. 16; but according to 11. 22. 12 Kekayas were Jayadratha's companions (*yadā kṛṣṇām upādāya prādravat kekayaiḥ saha*); (8) Drupada asked Yudhiṣṭhira to send messengers to Kekayas to seek their support 5. 4. 8; (9) The five Kekaya brothers joined Duryodhana with the army of one akṣauhiṇī (*kekayās ca ... sodaryāḥ pañca ... | ... kauravyam akṣauhiṇyā samādravan*) 5. 19. 25; Kekayas were among those who were brought together by Duryodhana to fight with the Pāṇḍavas (*ye rājāṇaḥ pāṇḍavāyodhanāya samānītā dhṛtarāṣṭreṇa ... kekayās ca*) 5. 30. 23; Dhṛtarāṣṭra was able to win over half of the Kekayas (*ardham me kekayā labdhāḥ*) 7. 23. 7 (also see the next); (10) The five Kekaya brothers, driven out from the Kekaya country, joined the Pāṇḍavas anxious to get back the kingdom of the Kekayas (*avaruddhā balino kekayebhyo maheśvāso bhrātaraḥ santi pañca | kekayebhyo rājyam ākāṅkṣamāṇā yuddhārthinas cānuvasanti pārthān*) 5. 22. 19 (Nī. on 5. 22. 20 : *kekayebhyo deśebhyah | avaruddhāḥ bahir niḥsāritāḥ |... pūrvam asmadīyā api samprati pāṇḍavān anuvasanti anusaranti*); 5. 49. 7, 35; 5. 52. 2; they do not respect Dhṛtarāṣṭra 5. 53. 17; 5. 54. 3; 5. 139. 26; 5. 142.

3; Dhṛtarāṣṭra considered the presence of the Kekayas on the side of the Pāṇḍavas a great asset to them (*kekayās caiva ... ka etāṇ jātu yudhyeta*) 7. 61. 39, 41; since Kekayas were divided, one Kekaya brother was killed by his own brother fighting from the opposite side (*kekayenaiva vikramya bhrātrā bhrātā nipātitaḥ*) 8. 4. 69; (11) When Duryodhana would see the Kekayas rushing against him, he would repent the war 5. 47. 23; but Duryodhana assured Dhṛtarāṣṭra that he would defect them 5. 60. 25; (12) Kekayas were among those who followed Kṛṣṇa some distance when he started for Hāstinapura 5. 81. 32; (13) When Yudhiṣṭhira started for Kurukṣetra, Kekayas followed him 5. 149. 58; 5. 150. 2; (14) Kekayas (on the side of the Kauravas), led by Droṇa, ready to march against Pāṇḍavas (*kekayā ... | praya-yuh sarva evaite bhāradvājapurogamāḥ*) 5. 196. 5; (15) Mentioned among the twelve Janapadas who protected Bhīṣma with their force of chariot-riders (*kekayās tathā |... dvādaśaite janapadāḥ ... | mahatā rathavamśena te 'bhyarakṣan pitāmaham* ||) 6. 18. 13-14; (16) Arjuna expected Kekayas to act only as spectators when Bhīṣma would fight with his *gadā* (*kekayā ... ete tiṣṭhanti ... prekṣakās ...*) 6. 19. 14; (17) On the first day of the war, the five Kekaya brothers with their armies fought with five Gāndhāras and their armies 6. 43. 73; they rushed to protect Abhimanyu 6. 45. 30; Bhīṣma felled them with his arrows (*kekayāṁś ca ... | bhīṣmaḥ ... pātayām āsa mārgaṇaiḥ*) 6. 45. 54; (18) On the second day of the war, Virāṭa, supported by Kekayas, guarded the rear of the Krauñcavyūha of Pāṇḍavas 6. 46