at the death of Sudhanvan, his followers, afraid, ran towards the army of Duryodhana 7. 17. 23; Susarman, king of Trigartas, rebuked those who fled; he reminded them of their terrific oaths (saptvā tu sapathan ghoran); the troops of Samsaptakas then blew their conches and returned to fight till death (mṛtyum kṛtvā nivartanam //) 7. 17. 27-31; seeing that the troops of Samsaptakas were returning Arjuna asked Kṛṣṇa to drive his chariot towards them; he was determined to kill them 7. 18. 1-3; the Vayavyastra released by Arjuna to ward off the arrows of the opponents also blew away a large number of Samsaptakas along with their chariots, horses, elephants and weapons; Arjuna killed a large number of Samsaptakas; their condition as well as the condition of the battle-field described 7. 18. 22-37: Dhrtarāstra asked Samjaya how Arjuna dealt with the army of Samsaptakas (samsaptakabalam prati) and how did they encounter him 7. 25. 2; Arjuna left Samsaptakas for a while to fight with Bhagadatta who was routing the Pandava army; fourteen thousand Samsaptakas followed him and challenged him; Arjuna hesitated for a while whether to fight with Samsaptakas or go to help Yudhisthira: ultimately he decided to kill Samsaptakas (first) (abhavad bhūyasi buddhih samsaptakavadhe sthirā); the great Samsaptaka chariot-fighters (samsaptakamahārathāh) discharged numerous smooth arrows (satasahasrāni sarānām nataparvanām) on Arjuna with the result that, covered with the arrows, neither Arjuna, nor Kṛṣṇa, nor his horses, nor chariot, could be seen; when Kṛṣṇa was deluded (moham anuprāptah ... janārdanah) Arjuna killed Samsaptakas with Vajrāstra 7. 26. 10, 12-14, 18-20; the condition of Samsaptakas described 7. 26. 21-27; having killed Samsaptakas Arjuna asked Kṛṣṇa to drive his chariot towards Bhagadatta 7. 26. 29; but Susarman and his Samsaptaka brothers followed Arjuna challenging him for a fight (yuddhārthī pṛṣthato 'nvayāt || ... susarmāhvayate 'cyuta //); Arjuna therefore was again in doubt - whether to kill Samsaptakas first or to go to the aid of his side 7. 27. 2-5; he asked Kṛṣṇa to turn back and started fighting with Susarman; his battle with Samsaptaka brothers described in which Susarman swooned 7. 27. 7-10; later, Arjuna continued to kill the surviving Same śaptakas and Nārāyanas on the southern side of the army (daksinena tu senāyāh kurute kadanam bali / samsaptakāvasesasya nārāyanabalasya ca //) 7. 30. 29; after killing the Samsaptakas, Arjuna returned to attack Drona and the Kaurava army 7, 31. 41-44; (7) On the thirteenth day, when Drona reitereted the necessity of removing Arjuna from the main battle, Samsaptakas renewed their challenge to Arjuna and took him away to the south of the battlefield (āhvayann arjunam samkhye daksinām abhito disam) 7.32.15; towards the end of the day, Arjuna proceeded towards his camp after killing Samsaptakas 7. 50. 1-3; Yudhisthira, grieved over the death of Abhimanyu, told Arjuna that after he left to fight with the Samsaptaka army, Drona made a serious attempt to capture him 7. 51. 1; (8) On the fourteenth day, at the instance of Duryodhana, the army of Kauravas, along with Samsaptakas, returned to fight with Satyaki with great determination (te punah samnyavartanta