

Pāṇḍavas' side) led by Bhīma attacked Niṣādas 6. 50. 8; later, when Bhīma killed Kalingas, they honoured him 6. 50. 110; (24) On the third day, Matsyas led by Aśvatthāman and Kṛpa were stationed at the head of the Garuḍavyūha (6. 52. 2) of Kauravas 6. 52. 4; those who fought on the side of Pāṇḍavas raised a loud roar when they attacked the army of Kauravas 6. 55. 126; (25) On the fifth day, Matsyas marched on Duryodhana and Śakuni 6. 67. 20; they surrounded Arjuna fighting with Bhīṣma (*parivavrus tadā pārtham*) 6. 70. 33; (26) On the tenth day, Bhīṣma alone killed innumerable horses and elephants as also seven great warriors (*sapta mahārathāḥ*) from Matsyas and Pāṇḍavas; he also killed five thousand chariot-fighters and fourteen thousand foot-soldiers (*pañca sahasrāṇi rathinām .../ narāṇām ca ... sahasrāṇi catur-daśa* 6. 113. 21-22. Matsya and Pāṇḍava warriors, while attacking Bhīṣma, raised cries (*kilakilāśabdaḥ*); they covered him (*chādayām āsuḥ*) with excellent horses, hosts of chariots and elephants and foot-soldiers 6. 113. 47-48; (27) Dhṛtarāṣṭra enquired who opposed Droṇa when he wanted to fight with the chariot-fighters (*rathāṇīkam*) of Virāṭa, the Matsya 7. 9. 67; he imagined that Dhṛṣṭadyumna must have killed Droṇa when he was encircled and excessively distracted by Matsyas and the rest (*tair vṛtaḥ sarvataḥ ... matsyair anyaiś ca bhūmipaiḥ vyākulīkṛtam ācāryam*) 7. 8. 27-28; (28) On the eleventh day, after assuming charge of the Kaurava army when Droṇa attacked Pāṇḍavas, their heroes and army, including Matsyas, checked his advance (and that of his army); that angered Droṇa

(*paryagrhaṁs tataḥ sarve samāyāntam ... saṁgrhyamāṇām tām dr̥ṣivā ... vāhinīm*) 7. 7. 4, 7; assisted by Matsyas Virāṭa opposed Karṇa 7. 13. 36; Pāṇḍavas along with Matsyas held back Kaurava chariot-fighters headed by Aśvatthāman 7. 15. 11; (29) On the twelfth day, Matsyas attacked Droṇa when he killed Satyajit; they fled when Droṇa killed Śatānīka; Droṇa defeated Matsyas 7. 20. 18, 22-23; mighty Droṇa threw Matsyas into disorder (*vyakṣobhayat*) who were very much angered due to the death of a Pāṇḍava prince; when they got killed they trembled (*matsyāḥ samakampanta*) 7. 20. 49, 53; pushed back by the arrows of Droṇa they were shaken (*calitān*) 7. 21. 7; Karṇa pointed out to Duryodhana Matsyas who, when instigated by Bhīma, followed him 7. 21. 23; the war between Matsyas and Kekayas (on the side of Kauravas) in which horses, elephants and chariot-fighters were not afraid became extremely confused (*utpiṇḍalakam yuddham ... abhītāśvarathadvipam*) 7. 24. 21 (Nī. on Bom. Ed. 7. 25. 21 : *utpiṇḍalakam atyantākulam*); (30) On the thirteenth day, when Abhimanyu attempted to break through the *cakravyūha* Matsyas were to follow him 7. 34. 22; led by Yudhiṣṭhira they attacked the army of Droṇa to break it (*droṇāṇīkam bibhitsuvaḥ*) 7. 39. 17; striking Matsyas arranged properly their forces (*vyūdhāṇīkāḥ prahārīṇaḥ*) and attacked Kaurava army; as a result Kaurava army turned back 7. 41. 3-4; Matsyas tried to attack Jayadratha 7. 42. 18; when Abhimanyu's death was reported to Subhadrā she expressed her disgust for Matsyas and others who could not help Abhimanyu (*dhik ... matsyāḥ ...*)