Antareja

Some sources, such as the /Pustakaraja/, say that Antareja is the name [Antasena] received as an adult. Antareja was conceived after the Sigala Gala event where the Kurawa tried to kill the Pandawa by starting a fire. The Pandawa survived by hiding in a hole in the ground. After Antareja was born, [Nagabaginda], king of Jangkarbumi attacked the Suralaya heaven. [Nagabaginda] wanted to marry [Superti], but she had already been given to [Antaboga]. The Gods asked [Antaboga] for help and he instructed Antareja to face [Nagabaginda] in battle. Antareja was still a child. In order to be protected, [Antaboga] covered him in his own saliva so that he would become invulnerable. Armed with this protection, Antareja was able to defeat [Nagabaginda]. Antareja then acquired the title of Prabu Anantaraja. In the /Sumbadra Larung/ lakon, Antareja searches for his father and is able to bring the late [Rara\_Ireng] to life with the Mustikabumi ring. In the /Tawur/ lakon, he sacrifices himself for the sake of the Pandawa’s victory in the Baratayuda. It had long been believed that a sacrifice was needed for either side to win and [Antareja] offered to sacrifice himself. Since he has invulnerable, the only way he was able to commit suicide was to lick himself with his magical tongue.