

the sun set, both parties withdrew their forces. The *Pāṇḍavas*, etc. (φ), sat down for a consultation about *Bhishma*; *Kṛṣṇa* said that *Arjuna*, etc. (χ), were invincible, mentioning *Arjuna's* words at *Upaplavya* (ψ). *Yudhishtira* proposed to go to *Bhishma* himself and ask him the means of his death. *Kṛṣṇa* approved of the proposal, and they went to the tent of *Bhishma*, who advised *Arjuna* to fight with him, placing *Çikhaṇḍin* before himself. *Arjuna* grieved at the prospect of striking *Bhishma*, but was reminded by *Kṛṣṇa* of his vow to slay *Bhishma* (the words of *Brhaspati* to *Indra* in days of old also being quoted). The *Pāṇḍavas* and *Kṛṣṇa* went away with rejoicing hearts (VI, 107).—§ 587: THE TENTH DAY: Towards sunrise the *Pāṇḍava* army went out for battle, placing *Çikhaṇḍin* in their van; *Bhīmasena* and *Arjuna* became the protectors of his wheels; in his rear were the *Draupadeyas* and *Abhimanyu*, protected by *Sātyaki* and *Cekitāna*; behind them was *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*, protected by the *Pāñcālas*; next to him was *Yudhishtira* with the twins; next behind him *Virāṭa*; next to him *Drupada*; the five *Kekaya* brothers and *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu* protected the rear. At their head the *Kurus* had *Bhishma* (b), protected by *Dhṛtarāshtra's* sons; next behind them *Droṇa* and *Açvatthāman*; next behind was *Bhagadatta* with his elephant division; behind him *Kṛpa* and *Kṛtavarma*; behind them the *Kāmbōja* king *Sudakshina*, etc. (a). The *Pārthas* with *Arjuna* at their head, placing *Çikhaṇḍin* in the van, proceeded against *Bhishma*. *Bhīma*, etc. (β), slew many. *Bhishma* & *Pāṇḍavas*, etc. (γ); *Bhishma* & *Çikhaṇḍin* (who mentioned *Bhishma* & *Rāma Jāmadagnya*); *Arjuna* urged *Çikhaṇḍin* to slay *Bhishma*, while *Arjuna* would check *Droṇa*, etc. (δ) (VI, 108). *Bhishma* slew the *Pāñcālas* and the *Pāṇḍava* army. *Arjuna* slew the *Kuru* army. *Duryodhana* complained of *Arjuna* before *Bhishma*, and of *Sātyaki*, etc. (ε). *Bhishma* said he would "to-day" either be slain or slay the *Pāṇḍavas*, and he slew hundreds of thousands (VI, 109). Urged by *Arjuna*, *Çikhaṇḍin*, and so also *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*, etc. (ζ), attacked *Bhishma*; *Citrasena* & *Cekitāna*; *Kṛtavarma* & *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*; *Somadatta's* son & *Bhīmasena*; *Vikarna* & *Nakula*; *Kṛpa* & *Sahadeva*; *Durmukha* & *Ghaṭotkaca*; *Duryodhana* & *Sātyaki*; the *Kāmbōja* king *Sudakshina* & *Abhimanyu*; *Açvatthāman* & *Virāṭa* + *Drupada*; *Droṇa* & *Yudhishtira*; *Duḥçāsana* & *Arjuna* + *Çikhaṇḍin*; etc.; *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna* (exciting the troops for aiding *Arjuna*) & *Bhishma*; *Arjuna* could not advance further than to the chariot of *Duḥçāsana*, who also shot at *Kṛṣṇa*; *Duḥçāsana* for a moment sought refuge by *Bhishma*; then he again attacked *Arjuna* (VI, 110); *Alambusha* & *Sātyaki*; *Bhagadatta* & *Sātyaki*; *Duryodhana* & *Sātyaki*; the *Kāmbōja* king & *Abhimanyu*; *Çikhaṇḍin* & *Bhishma*; *Virāṭa* + *Drupada* & *Bhishma*; *Açvatthāman* & *Virāṭa* + *Drupada*; *Kṛpa* & *Sahadeva*; *Vikarna* & *Nakula*; *Durmukha* & *Ghaṭotkaca*; *Kṛtavarma* & *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*; *Bhāricravas* & *Bhīmasena*; *Droṇa* & *Yudhishtira*; the *Prabhadrakas* began to tremble; *Citrasena* & *Cekitāna*; *Arjuna* compelled *Duḥçāsana* to retire, and then crushed the *Kuru* troops; *Duḥçāsana* again resisted him (VI, 111). *Droṇa* became cheerless upon beholding unfavourable omens (η); mentioning *Çikhaṇḍin* and *Yudhishtira*, etc. (θ), he urged *Açvatthāman* to attack *Çikhaṇḍin* and *Bhīmasena* (VI, 112). *Bhagadatta*, etc. (i) (ten warriors urged by *Droṇa*) & *Bhīmasena*, who was also attacked by *Duryodhana*; *Jayadratha* mounted the chariot of *Citrasena*; *Viçoka* was wounded by *Çalya*; *Arjuna* came, placing *Çikhaṇḍin* before himself, and approached *Bhīma*. Then *Duryodhana* urged the *Trigarta* king (who ruled *Prasthala*) *Suçarma* to slay *Arjuna*

and *Bhīmasena*; *Suçarma* & *Arjuna* + *Bhīmasena* (VI, 113); *Arjuna* & *Çalya*, etc. (κ); *Jayadratha* also attacked *Bhīma*; so did also *Çalya*, who also shot at *Kṛṣṇa*; *Droṇa* + the *Māgadhā* king *Jayatsena* (commanded by *Duryodhana*) & *Arjuna* + *Bhīmasena*; *Jayatsena* was carried away by his steeds. Then *Bhishma*, etc. (λ), & *Bhīmasena* + *Arjuna*; *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna* & *Bhishma*; *Çikhaṇḍin* & *Bhishma*; *Yudhishtira*, etc. (μ), & *Bhishma*. A terrible battle ensued, mainly turning upon whether *Bhishma* should be victorious or vanquished (VI, 114). At *Bhishma's* own request: *Yudhishtira* + *Arjuna*, etc. (ν), & *Bhishma*, who gave up all desire of protecting his own life. Urged by *Duryodhana*, *Droṇa*, etc. (ξ) (placing *Bhishma* in their van), & the *Pārthas* (headed by *Çikhaṇḍin*), especially *Arjuna*, etc. (ο); the grandson of *Çini* (*Sātyaki*) & *Açvatthāman*; *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu* & *Paurava*; *Yudhāmanyu* (B. *Abhimanyu*) & *Duryodhana*; *Virāṭa* & *Jayadratha* (*Vṛdhakshatrasya dāyadam*; I do not understand the doubt of PCR.); *Yudhishtira* & *Çalya*; *Bhīmasena* & the elephant division; *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna* & *Droṇa*; *Brhadbala* (c) & *Abhimanyu* (d); the sons of *Dhṛtarāshtra*, etc., & *Çikhaṇḍin* + *Arjuna* (VI, 115); *Abhimanyu* & *Duryodhana*; *Açvatthāman* & *Sātyaki*; *Paurava* & *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu*; *Jayatsena* (*Dhṛtarāshtra*), carried *Paurava* away on his chariot, and *Sahadeva* carried away *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu*; *Citrasena* & *Suçarma*; *Abhimanyu* & *Brhadbala* (the *Kočala* king); *Bhīmasena* slaughtered the elephants; *Yudhishtira* & *Çalya*; *Jayadratha* & *Virāṭa*; *Droṇa* & *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*; *Arjuna* & *Bhishma*; *Bhagadatta* & *Arjuna*, who urged *Çikhaṇḍin* to slay *Bhishma*; *Bhagadatta* (leaving *Arjuna*) & *Drupada*; *Arjuna* (placing *Çikhaṇḍin* ahead) & *Bhishma*; the *Kurus* attacked *Arjuna*; *Çikhaṇḍin* attacked *Bhishma*; 14,000 *Cedis*, etc. (π), were slain by *Bhishma*, and so the *Somakas*; no chariot-warrior ventured to approach *Bhishma* except *Arjuna* (with *Kṛṣṇa*) and *Çikhaṇḍin* (VI, 116). *Bhishma* did not defend himself against *Çikhaṇḍin*, whom *Arjuna* urged to quickly slay *Bhishma*, who with his arrows only checked *Arjuna* and slew the *Pāṇḍava* warriors. *Duḥçāsana* & *Arjuna* + all the *Pārthas*; *Duḥçāsana* was vanquished by *Arjuna*; the *Videhas*, etc. (ρ) (urged by *Duryodhana*) & *Arjuna*, who consumed them all by means of celestial weapons; *Arjuna* & *Duḥçāsana*, etc. (σ), who fled (in the forenoon); *Bhishma* (with a celestial weapon) & *Arjuna*; *Çikhaṇḍin* & *Bhishma*, who withdrew the celestial weapon (VI, 117). *Çalya*, etc. (τ), slaughtered the *Pāṇḍava* warriors; *Arjuna* felled a great many *Kurus*. *Dhṛtarāshtra's* sons & the *Pāṇḍavas*; the *Somakas* and *Sṛñjayas* (urged by *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna*) & *Bhishma* (who relied on the instruction he had got from *Rāma*); *Bhishma* slew 10,000 elephants, etc., and seven *Mateyas* and *Pāñcālas*, and *Çātānika* (the brother of *Virāṭa*), etc. *Kṛṣṇa* urged *Arjuna* to slay *Bhishma*. The *Pāñcāla* king and *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu*, etc. (ν), were afflicted by *Bhishma* and rescued by *Arjuna*; *Çikhaṇḍin*, protected by *Arjuna*, rushed against *Bhishma*; *Arjuna* slew all *Bhishma's* followers, and then rushed at himself; *Sātyaki*, etc. (φ), attacked *Bhishma*, who slew seven warriors of *Dhr̥ṣṭadyumna's* division (VI, 118). Continuation: The extraordinary heroism of *Bhishma*: he (disregarding the *Pāñcāla* king and *Dhr̥ṣṭaketu*) & *Sātyaki*, etc. (χ); *Arjuna* (with *Çikhaṇḍin* ahead) & *Bhishma*; *Droṇa*, etc. (ψ) (employing celestial weapons), & *Arjuna*; *Sātyaki*, etc. (ω), & the *Kauravas*, in order to rescue *Arjuna*; *Arjuna* (with *Çikhaṇḍin*) & *Bhishma*, who (remembering the boon granted by his father) now wished his death, which was approved of by R. and V. (heard only by *Bhishma* and *Sañjaya*), etc.; *Bhishma* said to *Duḥçāsana* that *Arjuna* was