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#sculpture #story from #Mahabharat-Battle between Bhagadatta(Son of Narakasura)& #Bhima on 12th day of Kurushetra war is beautifully depicted.

Bhagadatta participated in the war on the side of Kaurava's.He had a huge,strong &an almost undefeatable elephant 'Supratika'.

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■ -Magnificent Sculpture is in Ranaganayaki Andal Temple,Belur Chennakeshava temple Complex, Karnataka
Depicts Bhima held in trunk of <https://t.co/Dx43NeAsgC> he tried to injure Supratika while going underneath it but in vain.Also

Bhima is seen attacking Bhagadatta with mace.

Bhagadatta was Raja of Pragjyotisha Kingdom. He was extremely skilled in using elephants in warfare. Arjuna defeated Bhagadatta during time of Raja-suya yagya performed by Yudhishthira. He considered Pandavas as his enemies from that defeat.

Bhagadatta supported Kauravas in Kurushetra war & on 12th day he started killing Pandava's army in huge numbers while mounted on his elephant Supratika. Bhima tried to fight & tried to injure Supratika while going underneath. Elephant almost crushed Bhima but he was able to escape.

Many Pandava warriors and elephants tried to stop Bhagadatta but in vain. Arjuna entered & with his arrows killed soldiers who were protecting Supratika's legs. Fierce battle started between Arjuna & Bhagadatta.

■-sculpture in external walls of Kashi Vishveshwara Temple, Lakkundi



Bhagadatta attacked Arjuna but Arjuna neutralized. Enraged Bhagadatta attacked Arjuna with Vaishnavastra but, Krishna took it upon himself which became a garland. After this Arjuna killed Supratika. Arjuna then attacked him with arrows. He succumbed to this injury & died on battlefield.



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