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Marga Sudi 9, 1856, Regmi Research Collections, Vol. 24, pp. 1-2.

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#### Ban On Killing Of Rhinoceros, 1798

From King Rana Bahadur Shah,

To Brahmananda Upadhyaya, Subba (of Saptari).

There is a great need of rhinoceros (here). Rhinoceros are being killed in large numbers in the Tarai. You are therefore directed to prohibit everybody, whether belonging to the Moglan (i.e. India) or to our country, from killing rhinoceros. Capture baby rhinoceros and send them here.

Marga Badi 13, 1855, Regmi Research Collections, Vol. 24, p. 694.

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### Miscellaneous Disbursements From Revenues Of Tarai Districts

- On Marga Sudi 11, 1856, Dasharath Khatri and Ranamardan Khawas, Subbaş of Morang, were directed to remit Rs 3,000 for the purchase of materials required for the wedding of Chautariya Sher Bahadur Shah in Magh 1857. (Regmi Research Collections, Vol. 24, p. 4).
- (2) On the same day, Dinanath Padhya, Subba of Saptari-Mahottari, was directed to remit Rs 2,000 for the same purpose. (24/4).
- (3) On Marga Sudi 10, 1856, Gaj Singh, Subba of Parsa-Rautahat, had been directed to remit Rs 1,000 for the same purpose. (24/4).
- (4) On the same day, Subba Gaj Singh was directed to remit Rs 200 through Ambar Singh Rana to procure betal leaves for the royal palace and Rs 236 as the salaries of 5 betal-makers including Hari Barai. Each betal-maker received a salary of Rs 26 per month. (24/5).
- (5) On Marga Sudi 15, 1856, Subba Gaj Singh was directed to pay Rs 400 as a farewell gift to Parashuram Pandit, obviously a visiting Indian priest. (24/10).
- (6) On Poush Eadi 9, 1856, Subba Gaj Singh was directed to pay Rs 1,919 to Guru Brajanath Pandit as ritual gift and cost of materials used while performing religious ceremonies (Japa, Patha, Puja, Purashcharan, on behalf of "our father, the senior Queen-Mother and the Queen-Mother." (24/11-12).

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## Regulations Of King Mahendra Malla (1560-1574 A.D.) Of Kathmandu<sup>X</sup>

## Subjects 1

The (inhabitants) of all the 26 tols, including the ryots, Thakalis and Manes of our neighboring Pukatol and Chhabahal, and Gocha Gubhaju, Manya Jha, Kirtikanta, Surjekhu Dangol, Kaucha Deubhaju, Upacha and Brahmanarsimha of the 14 tols, held a meeting to discuss measures whereby famine and hailstorms could be averted in Nepal.

Kali Brahmacharya Tantrik then performed mystic rites (Purashcharana), whereupon (Goddess) Taleju granted these regulations to Maharaja Mahendra Malla in a dream at mid-night during the bright half of the moon:-

There shall be no gambling among the subjects.

Always do good to the subjects.

Speak the truth.

Disputes in tols and villages shall be settled by local Kachaharis (courts of justice).

The Kachahari in any tol or village shall be composed of a Thakali and a Mane, who shall be mature persons. (Such a Kachahari) shall dispense justice.

Dhiki, grindstones, handlooms and spinning-wheels shall never be kept idle.

<sup>x</sup> "Kasthamandapka Raja Mahendramalla Ko Sthiti." (Regulations of King Mahendra Malla of Kathmandu). In Yogi Naraharinath and Baburam Acharya (eds), <u>Rashtrapita Shri 5 Bada Maharaja Prithvi Narayan Sah Devko</u> <u>Divya Upadesh.</u> (Divine Counsel of His Majesty King Prithvi Narayan Shah Dev, Father of the Nation). Kathmandu: Prithvi Jayanti Samaroha Samiti, 2010 (1953) (second revised edition), pp. 30-31. The text is from a fragmentary manuscript in the possession of Shyam Krishna Thapa of Baneshwar, Kathmandu.