



After the death of
King Dutugæmunu,
the affairs of state
did not function very smoothly.
A period of ten kings followed.

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As, King Dutugæmunu's son, Prince Sāliya, married a beautiful woman who did not belong to the royal caste, he had to give up his claim to the throne.

As such, King Dutugæmunu's younger brother, Saddhā Tissa (Tissa, the pious) ascended the throne.

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As the name implies, he was a pious king and ruled for eight years.