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King Kāshyapa

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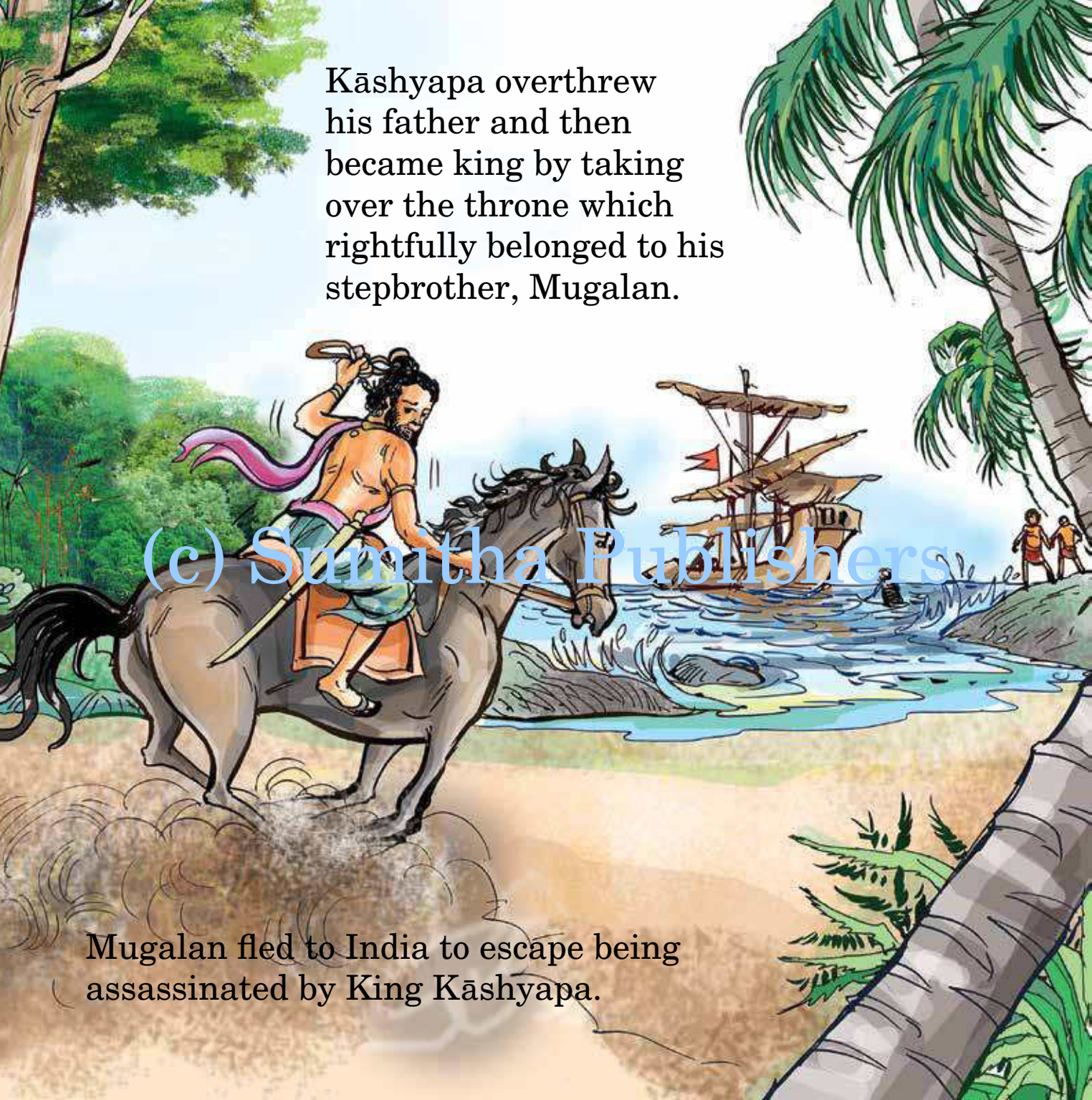
Prince Kāshyapa
was a son of King Dhātusēna.

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Kāshyapa overthrew his father and then became king by taking over the throne which rightfully belonged to his stepbrother, Mugalan.

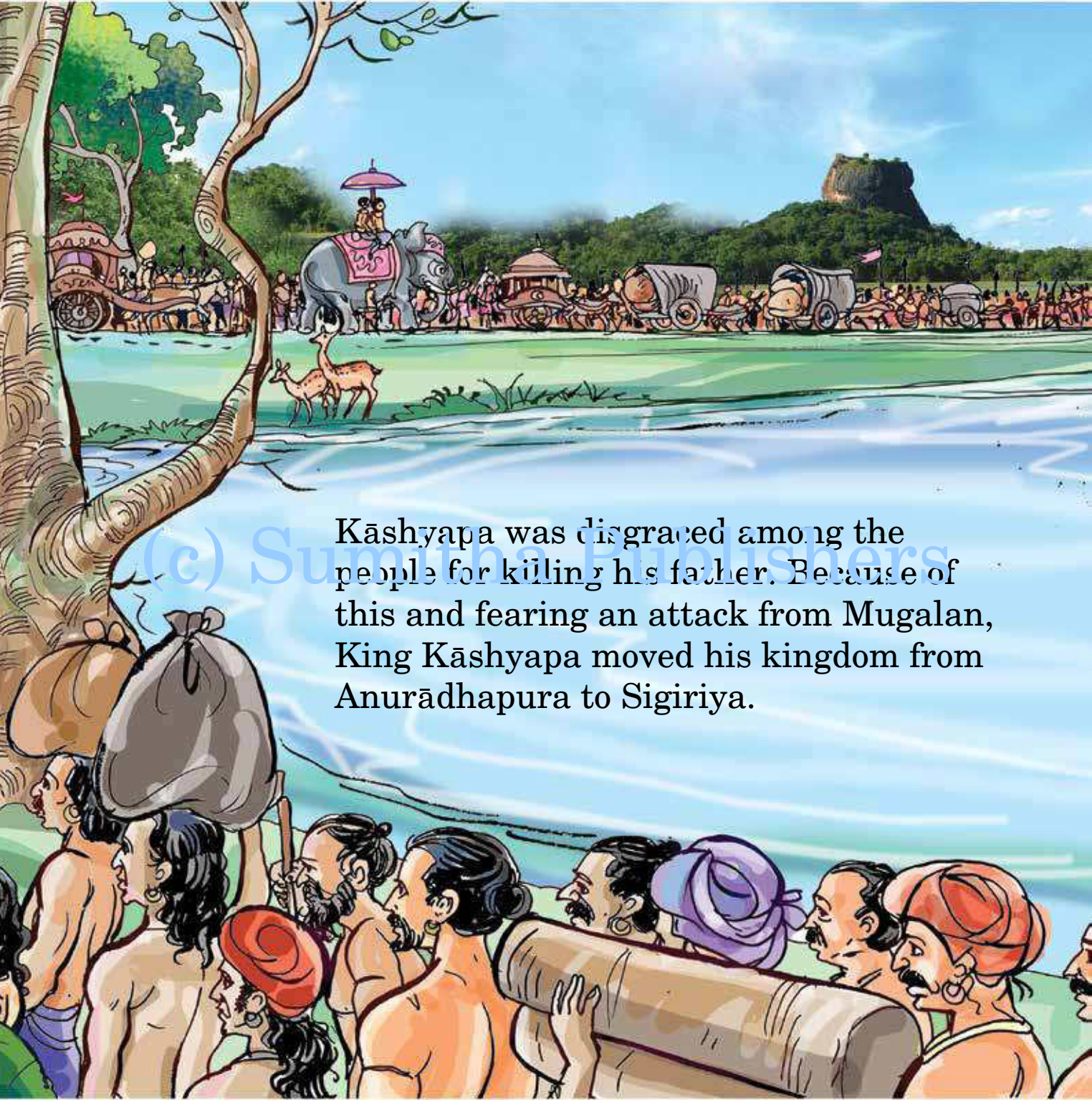
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Mugalan fled to India to escape being assassinated by King Kāshyapa.





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Kāshyapa was disgraced among the people for killing his father. Because of this and fearing an attack from Mugalan, King Kāshyapa moved his kingdom from Anurādhapura to Sigiriya.

Sigiriya was a large rock rising 600 feet above the surrounding plain, located at the extreme North of the Central highlands. In Sigiriya, the King constructed a palace and a fortress.

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