



## SHETH JAAVADSHAH (Vikram Shatak 2)

**Sheth** Jaavdshah of Mahuva was the chief of twelve villages. It was said of his bravery that he fought with a tiger in the forest and wounded it so that the tiger fled. However, foreign invaders were able to defeat this brave Jaavdshah using deceitful tactics and took him and his wife as prisoners to their homeland. In that country, neighboring powerful enemies attacked and to save themselves, from too many casualties, the foreigners proposed a wrestling duel. Jaavad



wrestled for the king and defeated the enemies. For this he was gifted half of the kingdom. But the young foreign queen set her eyes on the robust Jaavdshah instead of her old king and made efforts to seduce him. Having taken a vow to be faithful to one woman Jaavdshah preached to her and made her his sister in religion. On his way back to Mahuva, Jaavad went to Takshashila and brought a statue of Aadeshvar Bhagvan to Mahuva. At that time, the great Acharya Vajraswami, was preparing to renovate the Shatrunjay temple. During this renovation, one kapardhi asur was creating havoc. But with the help of his previous *punya* karma and with the help of Kapardhi yaksha, Jaavdshah was able to defeat Kapardhi asur. Jaavdshah was able to complete the thirteenth great renovation. And after their death he and his wife achieved *devgati*.