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The present work is to study and translate the Ānandaraṅgavijaya Campū on Ānandaraṅga Pillai of the poet Śrinivasa. Dr. V. Raghavan edited it with his own commentary.

The poet Śrinivasa son of Pārvati and Gaṅgādharādhvarin was patronized by Ānandaraṅga Pillai, to show his gratitude over Pillai, he wrote a Campū Kāvyā in Sanskrit named as Ānandaraṅgavijaya Campū, glorifying his patron.

This Campū reflects the social, cultural, political and historical background of the people during the 18th Century in Pondicherry. As for the Sanskritists it gives prominence because it possesses all the qualities defined for the Campū Kāvyā. It describes the seasons, battle, rasa-s, alaṅkāra-s etc.

On the historical side, this text gives valuable information about the detailed description of the battle between Hīra (Hidāyat Mohiud-Din Khan or Muzaffar Jung)
and Nāsir Jung in 1750 A.D. (Nāsir was Hīra’s own maternal uncle and murderer of Hīra’s father).

It also gives the genealogy of Pillai, the marriage of Ānandaraṅga Pillai with Maṅga daughter of one Sesādri of Vetrapura (Chingalput) and his brother Tiruvenkaṭa’s marriage with the daughter of Maṅga’s (wife of Ānandaranāga Pillai) paternal uncle.

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