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No. 39

Station Madras, Dated the 14th January 1921

From (Name) A. H. Longhurst, Esq.,

(Designation) Superintendent, Archaeological
Survey, Southern Circle

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Home (Education) Department.

Sir,

Madras

With reference to Home (Education) Department Memo-
randum No. 2518 B-1 dated the 6th December 1920 I have the
honour to submit herewith duly approved a draft agreement
received from the Collector of Nilgiris, in respect of the
Sculptured dolmens at Melkudah.

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2. The Collector of Nilgiris states that there is no
government Pleader for his district and suggests that the
government Pleader Madras may be consulted if necessary.

X This does not
seem necessary.
The draft
agreement
has been scrutinized &
is in the usual form - cf
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I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant

A. H. Longhurst
Superintendent

Annexure.

Agreement under Section 5 of Act VII of 1904.
[For cases in which the trustees undertake to execute at
their cost all ordinary repairs to the monument]

The agreement executed on the _____ day of _____ 1921
between (1) Hiriya Gowder (2) Kakkamallay Gowder (3) Mallayya
Gowder and (4) Sevana Maistry trustees of the Sculptured Dolmens
of Melkundah village, Ootacamund taluk, Nilgiri district, herein-
after called the 'trustees which expression where the context
admits shall be deemed to include the survivor of them or other
the trustees for the time being of the said sculptured dolmens
and their successors in office of the one part and the Right
Honourable the Secretary of State for India in Council herein-
after called the Secretary of State which expression where the
context admits shall be deemed to include his successors in office
for the time being of the other part.

Whereas under section 3 of the Ancient Monuments Preservation
Act (Act VII of 1904) the sculptured dolmens specifically
described in the schedule annexed hereto and hereinafter
referred to as 'the protected monument' heretofore in the
possession and management of the trustees abovenamed on behalf
of the ryots of the hamlets of Melkundah, Attumund, Mullimalai,
Maduhatty, Kechukatty and Kerapadu has been declared by the
Government of Madras to be a protected monument under the said Act.

And whereas with a view to preserve the protected monument in
its present condition, the Collector of the Nilgiris with the
previous sanction of the Madras Government, ~~has proposed to the said trustees~~
~~that they should enter into an agreement with the said Secretary~~
of State for India in Council for the preservation of the protect-
ed monument and the said trustees have accepted the proposal.

And whereas the terms of the said agreement so proposed and
accepted are embodied in these presents.

And where these presents, ^{by G.O. No. 94, Law (EM), 8,}
~~have been approved by the Govern-~~
ment of Madras.

Now these presents witness that it is hereby mutually agreed
by the trustees and the said Secretary of State as follows:-

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in proper condition and repair and agree to abide by and carry out the orders of the Madras Government and the Collector of the Nilgiris for the time being as to the manner in which the same is to be preserved and as to the repairs and all other measures that may be deemed necessary from time to time for that purpose.

(2) The trustees shall have the sculptured dolmens under their control and make necessary arrangements for watching the same. The trustees shall not either themselves or through others destroy, remove, alter or deface, the protected monument and in particular in addition and without prejudice to the foregoing conditions the trustees shall not construct or allow or give permission to others to construct huts or other buildings on the site in front of or near walls or other partitions in or near the protected monument.

(3) The trustees and their successors in office shall not allow the protected monument to be used by any person for residential purposes.

(4) The trustees shall allow all facilities for access to the protected monument to the officers and servants of the Archaeological department and also such facilities for access to the protected monument to other officers of Government and to the public or any portion thereof at such times and in such manner as the Collector of the Nilgiris for the time being may in writing require.

(5) The trustees shall not sell or allow to be sold the site of the protected monument and land to a distance of 100 feet on four sides of it.

(6) The Secretary of State shall pay all expenses which may be incurred in connexion with the preservation and repair of the protected monument at the request of or under the orders of the Collector of the Nilgiris for the time being or the Government of Madras. But ordinary repairs to the dolmens periodical or otherwise shall be done at the expense of the trustees, after approval by the Collector.

(7) Subject in all respects to the foregoing conditions the

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the group of dolmens such religious ceremonies as will not involve the exclusion of persons not belonging to the Hindu community.

In witness whereof the said (1) Hiriya Gowder (2) Kakkamallay Gowder (3) Mallayya Gowder and (4) Sevana Maistry and the Collector of the Nilgiris on behalf of the Secretary of State for India in Council have hereunto set their respective hands and seals the day and year first above written.

The schedule above referred to.

Name of the district, taluk and village.	Description, wet or dry, with survey or paimash number.	Name of the owner.	Boundaries.				Extent
			North.	East.	South.	West.	
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The Nilgiri District Ootacamund Taluk. Melkundah Village.	D r y, S. No. 20.	Hiriya Gowder. Kakkamallay do. Mallayya do. & Sevana Maistry trustees of the monument.	Bounded on all sides by S.No. 20.				about .01 cents.

Collector.

Not
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Preservation Act, 1964.

READ AGAIN G.O. No. _____, dated 1 _____ 192 .

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READ A. 2:—

C. No. 158 B, From the S. A. S., No. 39, dated 14-1-1921.

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ORDER.

No. 94, dated 20 Jan 1921

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The draft agreement under section 5 of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904, for the preservation of the Sculptured Dolmens at Melkunda^(Village) in the Nilgiris district, received with the letter from the S.A.S. read above, is approved and is annexed to these Proceedings.

Answer

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The S.A.S.

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