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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department,

1st March 1869.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Madura, to the Accountant General, Madras; dated Madura, 14th July 1868, No. 1097.

I have the honor to forward an application for pension on behalf of Sonpavadai Lakshuman Rao, late Goomastah of Peryakolum Taluq.

2. His service is proved by the records.

3. The applicant only made his application on the 29th February 1868, and after ascertaining the correctness of his service from the different offices in which he served, the application is now submitted.

4. The applicant, after he was thrown out of employ, acted for short periods in certain Government appointments, and held the office of Shroff in the Bodinaicknur estate, under wardship. As that service does not count towards pension, it was not entered in the list of service.

5. The applicant was, on the 28th January 1864, promoted by the Acting Collector to the office of Goomastah in the Tiroomungalum Taluq, on a salary of 12 Rupees per mensem, from the office of Shroff of the Bodinaicknur estate, and continued in the former office for nearly 2½ months, after which he was discharged and his predecessor ordered to revert to his former appointment in the arrangement made by the Collector after his return from leave. Lakshuman Rao was not, however, allowed to return to his former post of Shroff, or appointed to any other office, and having now become old and infirm he has applied for pension.

6. Lakshuman Rao appears to have served within one day of the period required to entitle him to a pension equal to half of his average salary, and as his general character has been good, I would recommend him for the usual pension.

Register of an application for Superannuation Pension under Pension Rules, published under date 3rd May 1864, from the Establishment of the Collector of Madura.

1	Full name of pensioner	Sonpavadai Lakshuman Rao.		
2	Sect or caste	Mahratta Brahmin, Vishnoo sect.		
3	Residence	Madura, in the District of Madura.		
4	Present post	Goomastah in the Peryakolum Taluq, (late Tenkarai Taluq).		
5	Date of commencement of service	28th April 1835.		
6	Date of retirement from service	26th October 1860.		
7	Abstract of the grounds of application	Reduction of Establishment.		
		YRS.	MS.	DS.
8	How long unemployed, and under what circumstances.—Suspended from 28th February 1855 to 27th August 1855	0	6	0
9	Total of service before 22 years of age	0	0	0
10	Total of service not in Pension grades	0	0	0
11	Total of leave other than privilege and preparatory leave	0	0	0
	Grand Total...	0	6	0
12	Total period in Pension grades counted as service	24	11	29
13*	Age of the applicant at the time of this application	60	0	0
		Feet.	Inches.	
14	Height	5	1½	
15	Descriptive marks.—Bamboo color, of short stature, a large mole on the right hand below the elbow, a large hole on the lobe of the right ear, and a mole on the right cheek below the eye.			
		RS.	A.	P.
16	Average salary of past five years	17	8	0
17	Proposed amount of pension	8	12	0
18	Date from which to commence	27th October 1860.		
19	Place of payment	Collector's Treasury, Madura.		

* I do hereby certify that, to the best of my belief, the applicant's age above stated is correct.

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Statement of total period of Service.

Establishment.	Post.	Pay.	Period. From	Period. To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.	Accountant General, or Controller of Military Account's remarks.
		RS. A. P.						
Madura Taluq.	Goomastah.	14 0 0	28th Apl. 1835.	27th June 1849.	14	2	0	Verified from the records of this office.
Do.	Do.	17 8 0	28th June 1849.	17th Nov. 1854.	5	4	20	
Peryakolum Taluq.	Do.	17 8 0	18th Nov. 1854.	27th Feb. 1856.	0	3	10	
Do.	Do.	17 8 0	28th Aug. 1855.	26th Oct. 1860.	5	1	29	
				Total.....	24	11	29	(Sd.) W. DONALD, *Exr. of Claims.*
					YRS.	MS.	DS.	
Deduct service before 22 years of age...					0	0	0	
Deduct service not in Pension grades...					0	0	0	
Deduct leave...					0	0	0	
					0	0	0	
				Net period of service.....	24	11	29	

Explanation of Column 8, *with quotations of orders of re-instatement.*	*Explanation of any degradation.*
The applicant was under suspension for six months, from 28th February 1855 to 27th August 1855, for strong presumption of connivance at the defalcation in the Treasury of the Madura Taluq, in which he was a Goomastah. Under the orders of the Board, he was suspended for six months.—Vide enclosed copy of the Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd February 1855, No. 425.	

Detail of leave on half pay and full stoppage of pay.					*Remarks by the Head of the Office on past character and conduct of the applicant throughout the service.*
From	To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.	
Applicant obtained no leave except privilege leave.					With the exception of the instance in which he was suspended there is nothing on the record against the applicant's conduct. He is said to have been a diligent and useful public servant.
	Total of leave....				

MADURA,
14*th July* 1868.

(Signed) J. R. ARBUTHNOTT,
Acting Collector.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd February 1855, No. 425.

Read letter from the Collector of Madura, dated 31st ultimo, reporting on the servants connected with the Madacolum Taluq Treasury, in reply to the Board's Proceedings of the 11th December last.

(Here enter No. 12.)

The Board will not oppose the Collector's conclusion that the Tahsildar and Moozoomdar were unconnected with the defalcation in this Treasury; but they consider that, without culpable carelessness on the part of these officers, the embezzlement could not have taken place, or must have been immediately discovered. It is stated, indeed, that the Tahsildar had been absent on circuit for the greater part of several months; but it was his duty to visit the Cusbah occasionally, and satisfy himself of the state of his Treasury. To mark, therefore, their disapprobation, the Board resolve to impose a fine of Rupees 25 on the Tahsildar, and of Rupees 15 on the Moozoomdar.

2. With respect to the Nagdee Goomastah, who is described as being daily present at the opening of the cash chest, and whose duties connect him so intimately with the Treasury transactions, there is a strong presumption of connivance, if he was not guilty of actual participation in the fraud. Should, therefore, the Collector deem this servant worthy of further employment, the Board consider it necessary that his late misconduct should be punished by temporary suspension from office.

3. The Board trust that the measures described in paragraph 7 of Mr. Parker's letter will be strictly carried out.

(True Extract).

(Signed) B. CUNLIFFE,
Secretary.

(True Copy).

(Signed) J. R. ARBUTHNOTT,
Acting Collector.

MEMORANDUM.

Pension Report Department.

The undersigned has the honor to return the papers connected with the pension case noted in the margin, received with letter, dated 14th July 1868, No. 1097, for want of No. 29.

One Register of application for pension for S. Lakshuman Rao, dated 14th July 1868.

2. It is particularly requested that an early reply may be sent, and that this Memorandum be re-transmitted.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
24*th August* 1868.

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Examiner of Claims.

To the Collector of Madura.

29. Prescribed medical certificate* of unfitness for further service, agreeably to the Order of Government of India, dated 20th September 1860, No. 9770, Financial Department, as the applicant's case cannot be brought under the operation of Financial Despatch from the Secretary of State for India, dated 24th September 1862, No. 160, published at page 839, 2nd Volume of *Fort Saint George Gazette* for 1862.

* Vide Inspector General's Circular, No. 1577, Medical Department, dated 25th April 1868.

From the Collector of Madura, to the Examiner of Claims, Madras ; dated 12th September 1868, No. 1463.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, a medical certificate of S. Lakshuman Rao, late Goomastah of Peryacolum Taluq, and to return your Memorandum, dated 24th ultimo, with the Register of application for pension which accompanied it.

This is to certify that I have examined Sonpavadai Lakshuman Rao, late Goomastah of Peryacolum Taluq, and I am of opinion that, from old age and physical infirmity, he is permanently disqualified for further active service.

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2. His present state of infirmity is from natural causes, and not from any indiscretion of his own.

MADURA, (Signed) J. MURRAY, M. D.,
8th September 1868. *Zillah Surgeon.*

No. 1920.

Report of the Examiner of Claims.

	YRS.	MS.	DS.
Service qualifying for pension is proved for a total period of.....	24	11	29
	RS.	A.	P.
In the last five years of his service the pay of the applicant's permanent post was...	17	8	0

Applicant is eligible to a pension of Rupees 5-12-0 per mensem, equal to one-third of his salary during the last five years, under the Pension Rules of 1831, and under the Order of Government of India, Financial Department, dated 20th September 1860, No. 9779, and under paragraph 3 of letter from the Financial Secretary to the Government of India, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 26th May 1863, No. 2157, should Government be pleased to accept the explanation given by the Collector in his letter of the 14th July 1868, No. 1097, herewith accompanying, with reference to the cause of delay in the submission of application until 14th July 1868, seven years, eight months, and nineteen days after the applicant ceased to do duty. The sanction of the Government of India will be necessary if this pension is granted.

It will be observed from item 29 of the accompanying printed Memorandum from this Department, dated 24th August 1838, that the medical certificate granted by the Zillah Surgeon, Madura, is in the old form, but contains nothing regarding the state of the applicant's health when he was thrown out of employ. It was called for simply because applicants for pension, on account of abolition of office before 1860, were obliged to furnish this document.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) W. DONALD,
19th November 1868. *Examiner of Claims.*

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1869, No. 89.

It appears from the foregoing Register of application for pension, that Lakshuman Rao, late Goomastah in the Peryakolum Taluq, in the District of Madura, entered the public service on the 28th April 1835. He served continuously up to 27th February 1855, when he was suspended for six months on suspicion of being concerned in certain frauds which had been committed in the Treasury of the Madura Taluq. He was re-employed on the 28th August, and continued in the service up to the 28th October 1860, when he was thrown out of employment in consequence of a reduction of the establishment.

2. After this, Lakshuman Rao acted for short periods in certain Government appointments, and held the office of Shroff in the Bodinaicknur estate, then under the management of the Court of Wards. On the 20th January 1864, the then Acting Collector promoted him to the office of Goomastah in the Tiroomungalum Taluq, on a salary of Rupees 12 per mensem, in which he continued for nearly 2½ months, when he was relieved by the permanent incumbent. Since then he has not been re-employed. The Collector of Madura reports that he has been a diligent and useful public servant.

3. Lakshuman Rao's age is shown by the Register to have been 60 years at the time of application, *i. e.*, on 29th February 1868. The medical certificate, which is dated the 8th September 1868, shows that, in the opinion of the Zillah Surgeon, the applicant is permanently disqualified for further active service "from old age and physical infirmity" not attributable to any "indiscretion of his own."

4. Lakshuman Rao was not disqualified for service when he was thrown out of employment, nor does he appear to have been unfit for further service in 1864, four years afterwards. It would appear that his present physical infirmities have only recently supervened, and that they have induced him to submit the present application for pension.

5. Under the old rules, Lakshuman Rao's service of 24 years, 11 months, and 29 days renders him eligible to a gratuity equal to six months' salary, or Rupees 105. But from the fact that a medical certificate was not procured by him at the time of his quitting the service he is not in strictness entitled to the pension equal to a third of his salary which he might otherwise claim under the terms of the Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 24th September 1862, No. 160. Looking at all the circumstances, however, the Government consider that the pension has been fairly earned, and should not be withheld. They resolve, therefore, to sanction it subject to the confirmation of His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Acting Collector of Madura.
,, Examiner of Claims.
,, Accountant General.
,, Financial Department.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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Govt. of [illegible] Madras.
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10 March 1869.
THE COLLECTOR OF MADURA.
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Dated March, 1st.
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G. O., 1st March 1869, No. 89.
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Sanctioning, subject to the confirmation
the Government of India, a pension equal to o
third his salary to S. Lakshuman Rao, late a Tal
Gomastah in the Collectorate of Madura.

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Financial Department. 7

No. 130.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India.
Financial Department.

Sir,

I am directed to trans-
-mit a copy of the Proceedings
of this Government dated
the 1st instant, No. 89 respect-
-ing the grant of a pension
of Rs. 5-12- per mensem,
to S. Lakshuman Rao
late Gomastah in the
Veryakolum Taluq in
the District of Madura.

2. The Proceedings con-
-tain a full account of the
circumstances under which
the Applicant was thrown
out of employment, and
the cause of the delay of
upwards of 7 years in his
preferring his claim for
pension

grant of which,
pension to the I am to re-
=quest that the sanction
of the Government of India
may be accorded.

The applicant it will
be seen is upwards of
sixty years of age.

Fort Saint George
10 March 1869.

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No. 130

To

The Secretary to the
Government of India
Financial Department.

Dated 10th March 1869.

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

From

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Financial Department.

Dated March 10 1869.
Recd.

No. 130
Enclosure.

29. 30.

Transmitting, for confirmation, Prov. of this Govt. sanctioning the grant of a pension of Rs. 5-12-. to S. Lakshmanan Ras, late Goomastah in the Per. Appalum Taluq, Madura Dt.