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to the Secretary of State for India by Mr. Rungachari and some others of
South Arcot district.

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The Secretary of State for India.

(Through the Secretary to Government, Public Department Madras)

The most humble Memorial of Sree Ranga Chariar, Devasthanam Committee late Superintendant, South Arcot residing at Odiyattur, Odiyattur Post, Via Mugayur S.I.R., Tirukoilur Taluk, South Arcot District, Madras Presidency and others.

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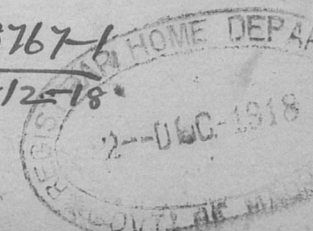
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4. That the Memorialists also beg to submit that by the grant of large extent of lands for religious purposes, by building up choultrys for the feeding of the poor, by encouraging the study of the Vedas and others, by conferring shrothriams on learned Pandits, it is by deeds such as these alone Rajahs and others in ancient times lived a prosperous, long and happy life.

5. That now however these things have all either disapproved or materially diminished owing to non-management or mismanagement on the part of those concerned viz., the successor of the original endowers and the Local Fund Department whose business it is to look after them. No food is given to Athithis (அதிதிகள்); Endowed lands have been alienated and other wrongs and irregularities committed with none to enquire into or care for them and as a necessary result the whole country is sunk in an ocean of sorrow and distress; its prosperity and good name being things of the past.

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6. That the Memorialists therefore think that if proper enquiries be instituted into these matters with a view to ascertain the extent of lands endowed originally and in recent times by way of gifts, wills etc., their incomes, and the way in which they are spent with reference to rules framed in that behalf, then will be manifest the enormous wrongs perpetrated and the number of false statements made to cover them and to make wrong look like right.

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- A. The village Magistrate and Munsif of each village.
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Devastanam late Superintendent

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27-11-18

(No. 3577)

Memorial Charitable Endowment
From Rungachari & others 8/17-12-17

Mr Rungachari is a constant petitioner of Govt. on the subject of the administration of Charitable Endowments.

The present petition is addressed to The Secretary of State for India and contains a Scheme for Collecting Charitable

A petition addressed to H.E. The Governor and drawn up on lines similar to the present was lodged on 21-8-17. (vide

Letter No 3630721-5-17). Attention is also solicited to Govt. of India's letter No 787073-3-16 (page 1 and 2 of

No. 5010716-3-16. replying to a similar memorial addressed to them by the petitioner and another person.

In the circumstances mentioned above it is for orders whether the memorial may not be withheld under

11 (3) of the Memorial Rule—

A draft Order is submitted

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rules a ——— addressed to the Secretary of State for
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READ AGAIN G.O. No. 501, dated 16 3- 1916

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READ ALSO:—

C. No. 35-77 From the Mr Rungachari of Borkh Azad, dated 191 .

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ORDER.

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No. 979, dated 24-7-2. 1918.

The memorial is withheld
under rule 11 (3) of the rules
regarding the submission of
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Secretary of State for India.

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