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Government of Madras.

*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 492

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Dated 28-4-1887.

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*Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 28th April 1857.*

No. 64. Read the following letter from H. D. PHILLIPS, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Tanjore; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 22nd April 1857, No. 68.

SIR,

I regret to be under the necessity of troubling the Government in a matter of the slight importance of that on which I now address you; but, under the provisions of Act I of 1849, and the construction placed on its provisions by the Foujdary Adawlut, no other course seems available for adoption.

I have the honor to request authority for the trial before one of the Courts at Combaconum of a case of assault which, under the enquiry held by the Police Ameen of Tanjore, is found to have been committed by residents in the Tanjore District, within the limits of the late Raja's jurisdiction, and cannot consequently be disposed of by the local Police or Magistracy.

Complainant.  
Kistnyen, Agent of Somanada  
Pundit.

Defendants.  
Kistnaje Casava Pundit. 1  
Nana Takur. 2  
Balakistner. 3  
Veeragoo Nalek. 4  
Gopoooven. 5  
Nulacanda Row. 6

The assault itself was trifling, but the person cuffed and pushed is the manager of a respectable family. The two first Defendants are individuals of some notoriety, the first being Kistnaje Casava Pundit, who has become the associate of Mr. Norton in all that relates to the intrigues and disaffections prevailing among the adherents of the Tanjore ladies and the pensioned servants of the Palace.

The second is Nana Takur, a man who is regarded as a "Soucar," and who in that capacity has, I believe, been thrice through the Insolvent Court at Madras, but is now living at Tanjore without any known means of livelihood, except that of aiding in squeezing funds out of the ladies of the Raja's family, under promises not likely to be realized.

The other four Defendants are ordinary Bramin inhabitants of the Province.

The complaint of assault was first made in a Petition to myself, and the Complainant, referring to the character and present position in Tanjore of the 1st and 2nd Defendants, was extremely desirous I should myself take it up, as he said he feared the case would not be fairly tried by the Police Ameen. I however declined to interfere further than by directing the Ameen to do his duty.

If there were no difficulty of jurisdiction, I should at once dispose of the matter, but it seems clear that I cannot legally do so.

(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS,  
*Acting Magistrate.*

No. 65. ORDER THEREON, No. 492; dated 28th April 1857.

Under the provisions of Section IV, Act I of 1849, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes the trial of the British subjects named in the foregoing letter, charged with having committed an assault in the territories of the Tanjore Government, to be had before the Courts of Combaconum.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
*Chief Secretary.*

No. 492.

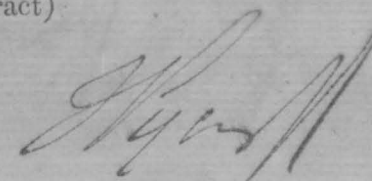
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Dated 28 April 1857.

Read the following letter from the Magistrate of Tanjore 25

Here enter 22<sup>d</sup> April 1857 No 68.

Under the provisions of Sec. IV, Act I of 1849, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes the trial of the British Subjects named in the foregoing letter, charged with having committed <sup>an assault</sup> Gang Robbery in the territories of the Tanjore Government, to be had before the Courts of Comba Comm.

(True Extract)

  
Chief Secretary.

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To the Mag. of Tanjore Dated 1<sup>st</sup> May.

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By Mrs. 28 April  
March 1857. 26 April

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Ex. Min. of Gov.

By 28 April 1857.