

Judicial (1895) Department.

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G.O., No. 2056

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1895

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[Despatch Abstract.]

APPEAL PETITION FROM CONVICT UNDER SENTENCE  
OF DEATH

Declining to forward to the Government of India the appeal  
from convict No. 8982, Sellappan, under sentence of death in the Salem  
Central Jail.

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Judicial Dept  
Appeal for Mercy

No 1983D 24-9-95 M

CURRENT NO. 4606

From,

The Superintendent, Central  
Jail, Salem.

To,

The Chief Secretary  
to Government  
Madras.

Dated 30  
Despatched 30.11.1895  
Recd 1.12.1895  
CHIEF SECRETARY  
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No. 904.

Enclosures (3) Three

Subject

Forwarding the "Appeal for  
Mercy" of Convict No. 8982  
Selfapplying  
to the Government of India.





"Appeal for Mercy"

Enclosure No. I.

From,

Sellappan Convict No. 8982  
Central Jail, Salem.

To,

His Excellency, The Right Honorable  
The Governor General in Council  
Calcutta.

Dated 30

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No. 68.

"Appeal for Mercy" Stating  
that a false case was brought  
against him.

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Translation of "Appeal  
for Mercy" Enclosure II.

His Excellency, The Right Honorable  
The Governor General in Council  
Calcutta.

The humble petition of Convict No. 8982  
Sellappan Confined in the Central Jail  
at Salem.

I was sentenced to death by the  
Sessions Judge, Salem, and on my appeal  
to the High Court and Government of Madras  
orders have been received confirming the sen-  
-tence.

The parents of the deceased Andy have  
deposed to the effect that I took him from the  
Shandy. I did not take him but I was  
grazing goats. Supoda foundan and Lemba  
foundan, who were with me, are aware of this.  
I did not at all go to the Shandy. The parents  
of the deceased have also stated that I killed  
Andy because he was keeping my wife as his  
concubine for about a year and a half. This  
is quite false. If this were true the people  
of the village would have been aware of it. He

He was not at all keeping my wife as concubine. If an enquiry is made of the villagers the truth will come to light. The temple is at a distance of about 3 miles from my field. How could I take a man there during the night time? Why should I take him to the temple if I wanted to kill him? Could I not have him cut and thrown into the prickly pears? Palaniyandi foundan, Kuppafoundan and Tirumapoundan, brother of the Village Immisif, are aware of the fact that I was sleeping on Friday night in the cattle shed in my field. The approver Haruman and myself are not in good terms. While we both were beating each other during a dispute regarding certain land, Kurukkalayyan of Kurukkapatti, Arumgam son of Valla foundan and Palani foundan settled our dispute. Owing to that enmity and at the instigation of the Police he has given evidence against me. Had the deceased stated that I killed him I might have been arrested at once, but I was arrested only after 3 days.

The Police and the Village Immisif have got me sentenced by concocting a case against me for my not giving them bribe. The Inspector of Police received Rs. 60/- from Haruman and took him as an approver. There are witnesses to prove this. My brother's wife and son have deposed against me at the instigation of the Police. My brother's wife is not in good terms with me because I refused to give her any share of my property. The Police have set them up having them under their control for about 3 months. Enmity exists between myself and the witness Hendakappa chetty. A piece of land, which was asked by him for sale, was sold by me to another man, this is the cause of illfeeling between us. My age is 19 and that of my wife is 17. Apart from taking my grievances into consideration I request that Your Excellency will be graciously pleased to consider the grievances of my wife and pardon me. Upon my god I dare say that I do not know anything. I have been convicted and sentenced unjustly.

I therefore beg that your Excellency  
will be pleased to pardon me and thus to  
protect me.

(Marked) - Sellappan

(Translation)

Salem Central Jail

30<sup>th</sup> September 1895

Wm Stauden

ap. Superintendent of Jail.

Translation of "Appeal  
for money" -  
Guantanamo II

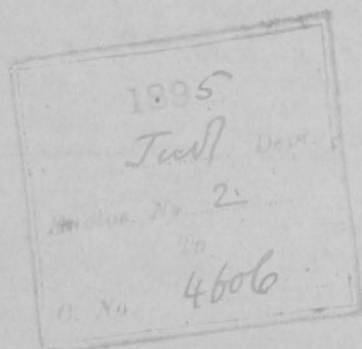
From,  
Sellappan Convict No. 8982  
Central Jail, Salem

To,  
His Excellency, The Right Honorable  
The Governor General in Council  
Calcutta.

Dated 30<sup>th</sup> }  
Sept 30<sup>th</sup> } September 1895.  
Recd 30<sup>th</sup> }

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Salem Central Jail  
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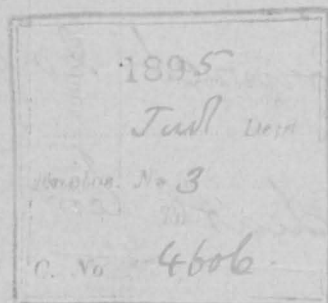
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Superintendent Central Jail

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| NOMINAL ROLL OF CONVICT No. 8982 NAME Sellappan | Crime | Sentence           | Date of Sentence            | Adjudicating Court    | Age | State of Health | Conduct in Jail | Result of the appeal to High Court if any, and Remarks                                                                                                        | Number of previous Convictions, if any, and Remarks |
|                                                 |       | Sentenced to death | 30 <sup>th</sup> April 1895 | Sessions Judge, Salem | 20  | Good            | Good            | Sentence confirmed by The High Court.<br>Appeal for money rejected by Govern-<br>ment. Vide Order dated 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept 95<br>No 1983 - Jm <sup>l</sup> |                                                     |

Enclosure No. III

Enclosure No. III  
Salem Central Jail

Nominal Roll of Con-  
-vict No. 8982 Sellappan



Salem Central Jail office.

Dated 30<sup>th</sup> September 1895.

CURRENT NO. 4606

No. 904.  
From,

W. Dr. Standen Esquire  
Acting Superintendent,  
Central Jail, Salem,

To,

The Chief Secretary  
to Government  
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward  
herewith the petition preferred to the Govern-  
-ment of India by Convict No. 8982  
Sellappan, sentenced to death by the  
Sessions Judge, Salem, in case No. 27 of  
1895.

2. Nominal Roll of the Convict  
and a true translation of the petition are  
also forwarded.

3. I hereby certify that the prisoner  
will not be executed until a definite  
reply is received from Government. The  
date of execution has been postponed to 12<sup>th</sup> October 1895.  
I have the honor to be,

Miscellaneous  
is not  
required

Sir,  
Yours most obedt Servant

Wm Standen

Of Superintendent of Jail.

Wm  
30/9

This petition is not in all  
respects the same as that  
already considered, but it does  
not seem to me to contain anything  
calculated to cause India State  
a diff- view from that taken by  
this Govt. - I should deal with it  
in the usual way

2/10/95

I agree

2/10/95

And I.

W  
3 Oct

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Current Number 4606

FOR ORDERS.

PETITION FOR MERCY to His Excellency the  
Viceroy and Her Majesty the Queen Empress  
from Convict No. 8982 Sellaippan

under sentence of  
death in Salem Sessions Case No. 27  
of 1895, which sentence has been confirmed  
by the High Court.

The Convict's appeal to this Government  
was rejected in G.O., dated 24. Sept. 95  
No. 1983.

The Superintendent of the Salem  
Central Jail states that the execution  
has been fixed for the 12. Oct. 95

1/10/95

1/10/95

PETITION FOR MERCY TO VISEROY  
AND HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

VERY EMERGENT.

Hon'ble Member and Circulation.

(FOR ORDERS.)

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JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ again G.O., dated 24. Sept. 95. No 1983

Read also the following

(No 4606)

ORDER—dated 4 October 1895, No. 2056.

Under the discretion vested in the local Government by the Government of India,  
His Excellency the Governor in Council declines to forward to that Government the  
appeal from Convict No 8902 Sillappan  
under sentence of death, and directs that the law shall take its course.

(True Extract.)

(From record)

4/10/95 4.10.95  
Chief Secretary.

To

The Petitioner through Superintendent of the Jail. Salem. Despatched 4/10

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