

Ponnani. 2
27th December 1896

From,

Valia Ziarathungal Said Ali
bin Abdurrahman Hydros Valia
Tangal of Ponnani.

To,

H. Moberly Esquire J. C. S.

Ag District Magistrate of Malabar

Sir,

I beg to thank you very much for your
kind letter dated 4th December 1896, Ref. No. 4081
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It gives me much pleasure to find therein that
Government has been pleased towards me, and
my sons on account of the services rendered by
us during the recent outbreak. I need hardly
add that Government is aware that myself
and my family have always been loyal
and faithful to Government. If our services
are required at any time, and on any occasion,
I trust that you, and Government will be
pleased to count upon us, as faithful
allies ever ready to execute the orders of
Government most willingly.

2. As regards the question of accepting
the present of a gold bangle from Govern-
ment for the services rendered by us.

Judicial (1895) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 981

Dated 10th May 1895

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[Despatch Abstract.]

REWARD TO A TANGAL.

Directing the District Magistrate of Malabar to arrange for presenting the Valia Tungal of Ponnani with a sword at a cost not exceeding Rs. 300 in recognition of the services rendered by him during the recent Moplah outbreak, and communicating paragraph 4 of the District Magistrate's letter to the Financial Department in view to the necessary funds being placed at the disposal of the collector of the Taluk for making certain bangles and badges.

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The District Magistrate
Kralabari

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The Chief Secretary
to Government
Judicial Department
Madras

Dated 7-3-95

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Subject: ...

Recommendation that the
Police Tungal of Ponnani
be exempted from all the
operation of all prohibitions
and directions contained in
Sections 13 to 16 of the Indian
Arms Act other than those
relating to Carriage &c.

For order.

The Dist Magistrate, Kralabari, represents full exemption
from the provisions of the Arms Act than that
sought by the Petr., who asks for exemption
as regards sword, [or spear] only.
As he refuses a gold bangle for religious
reasons. It is submitted, that a presentation
sword would make a suitable substitute.

Para 4 of the letter will be dealt with in
Financials.

I forget the temples are as a rule situated
in the presence of the prohibition
which makes in the Room against
the wearing of gold or silver
ornaments.

I don't see why we should
give him more exemption
than he asks for.

I agree as to the sword.
I don't know where we can
get of suitable design.

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22/4/95

have to inform you that I consider the pleasure expressed by Government alone ample reward for our insignificant services, and that we are only sorry that we were not able to render services greater than what we had done. You will be pleased to inform Government that our action was not based on any pecuniary motive, and that I value honor more than wealth. I would be sorry to accept anything from Government in the shape of a present for having done what I consider our duty which, as the loyal subjects of Her Majesty the Queen Empress, we are bound to do. If Government however insists on my accepting something in recognition of the so-called services rendered by us and if it considers that we are worthy of any honor being conferred upon us to mark our loyalty, the bestowal of some honors of a permanent nature upon me and my family will be accepted with greatest pleasure.

The only request that I have therefore to make to you, and to Government, is that ^{and} my successors, who, ascend to the Stanam of Ponnani Valia Tangal may be

be exempted from personal appearance in Courts, and also from the operation of the Indian Arms Act in respect of swords, and spears which his Stanam requires him to keep to maintain its position and dignity. Our Customs requires us to take with us armed retainers whenever we go out. For this purpose we are now taking out a license for six swords and four spears. These privileges if granted, shall be deemed to be the highest honors conferred on me, and my family. If Government may however consider that declining to accept a present is a breach of etiquette on my part I have no objection to accept a sword and badge, in addition to the above privileges, as our religion prohibits us from wearing gold ornaments of any kind.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Signed _____

Valia Tangal of Ponnani

(True Copy)

Witness

Ag District Magistrate

Dist Mag

Malabar District Magistrate's Office
Calicut 7th March 1895

From,

H. Moberly Esquire
Cdg District Magistrate of Malabar.

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government
Judicial Department,
Madras

Sir,

Referring to para 4 of G.O. dated 23rd
November 1886, & 2837, I have the honor to forward
Copy of a letter from ^{the} Valia Tungal of Ponnani
respectfully declining to accept a fold bangle as
his religion forbids him from wearing ornaments.

2. His request that he may be exempted
from personal appearance in Court cannot
I have told his son, and brother who came
see me recently, be granted, seeing that &

* Read to papers?
He can't say all
the for refusing exemption
but he tried.

an exemption has been refused to the Tungal.

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3. His request that he may be exempted
from the operation of the Indian Arms Act
in respect of swords and spears is reasonable.
He is a landholder of approved loyalty and
of good position and I have much pleasure
therefore in recommending that under the
powers conferred by clause 10 of Rule 1 of

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Pup

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Rules under the Arms Act, Government should
exempt him from the operation of all prohibitions
and directions contained in Sections 13, 14, 15 and 16
of the Indian Arms Act, 1878, other than those
referring to Cannon, Articles designed for torpedo
service, war rockets, and machinery for the manu-
facture of Arms and Ammunition.

4. The Collector of Trichinopoly is being
asked to have bangles made for Lunnian
and Kodalayil Mammad. I request that
the necessary funds may be placed at his
disposal.

Abu Bekar, the Angadiporam Taluk,
has asked for star-shaped. Pious badges, which
may be made locally.

5. The delay in replying to the G.O., is
due to the fact that the Deputy Collector in
charge of the Special Assistant Collector's
division, reported only last month the particu-
lars necessary to enable me to arrange
about the bangles and badges.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. servant

Ag Dist. Magistrate

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Journal DEPARTMENT.
Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Again G.O., dated 23. Nov. 1894, No. 2837
Current No. of 189 , dated from

Current No. 1218 of 1895, dated 7 Mar. from the Dist. Magistrate, Malabar

ORDER. dt 10th May '95, W.P. 981.

It is observed that the recommendation
contained in para. 5 of the Dist. Magistrate's
letter goes beyond the Valia Taluk's
request. The Govt. therefore considers
that it will suffice to grant the
exemption sought vizt. in so far as
relates to all prohibitions ^{directions} contained
in the Indian Arms Act. which restrict
the right of the Valia Taluk to possess
arms & his retainers (to a number
not exceeding ^{six} ~~ten~~ to possess & so
armed with swords. —

2. No exemption is because is required
for the possession of spears, which
have been excluded under S 27 of the
Act from the operation of all prohibitions
so far as regards the Presidency of
Madras.

3. It is however desirable that the
Valia Taluk of Ponnani should

receive some tangible mark of
 recognition for his services in lieu
 of the gold bangle which his religion
 prevents him from accepting. The
 Govt therefore resolves to present
 him with a sword. The Dist.
 Magistrate will accordingly make the
 necessary arrangements for
 procuring a suitable weapon at
 a cost not exceeding Rs. 300/-*. It
 should bear a brief inscription stating
 that it has been awarded for loyal
 service to the Govt. It should be
 presented with befitting ceremony.

4. Para 4 of the order of the
 Dist. Magistrate's letter will be
 communicated to the Financial
 Dept. for the necessary action.
 (from order)
 29.4.95
 The S.H., Malabar (S.H.)
 Financial Dept. (para 4 of order, para
 314 of order)
 7 MAY 95
 IN MS

The for C.
 In the case of the sword presented
 to Inspector Narayanasami Nayudu
 for his services in connection with
 the Krishnadesai case, the necessary
 arrangements were made by the
 S.D. of Police, not by Govt.

Reward to a
 Jangal

[*] i.e. the cost of the bangle
 he refused

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 (from order)

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AGAIN G.O., No.
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DATED

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ENCLOSURE TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT A A A A A A A

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

PAPERS NOT FILED UP, BEING MEANT FOR DESPATCH
IN ORIGINAL.

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