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Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 2916

From

The residents of Gannamanipalli
Tipparedipalli hamlet
of Tadpatri Union
Anantapur Dt.

C. nos 2918 L. & 2936 L. 95

Re
Misc.

Order No. 1983 dated 27.10.95

Under Section 85(1) of the Local Board Act the petitioners should appeal to the Taluk Board, whose decision in the matter is final under section 85(4)

V.R.
15/11/95

No.

Dated 30/9

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SUBJECT.

Protesting against the imposition of the increased rate of house tax.

To
The Petitioners thro' Kakarla Chinna Ranganna, Cotton merchant, Tadpatri
" Kanta rarappa, Ryot, Tadpatri

Dupt 11/11/95

/with order/

List of documents submitted with the memorial, per packet post separate, presented by the inhabitants of Ganneveripalle and Tipparedipalle hamlets of Tadpatri, Anantapur District

(1) of Ganneveripalle.

Old Notices	36.
New "	28
Total.	64

(2) of Tipparedipalle

old notices	26.
new "	21
Total.	47

Most your memorialists in Conclusion pray Your Excellency in Council, may be pleased to order any further Communication in this connection may be addressed to Kakerla Chinna Ranganna of Ganneveripalle, Cotton merchant Tadpatri.

Mark of Chinna Ranganna

30.9.95

List of documents submitted with the memorial from the inhabitants of Kasaviripalle & Tenupalle Palleimets Suburbs of Tadpatri Anantapur District

House tax } 304.
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3.10.95

Most any further Communication in this Connection may be addressed to the name of one Kanda Narapa Reyt, Tadpatri.

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House tax Notices	304.

3.10.95

Trust any further Communication in this Connection may be addressed to the name of one Kanda Narappa Rayt, Tadpatri.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 29367

From

The inhabitants of
Reddinaripalliem and
Tummupalliem, &c
Subdivn of Tadpatri
Anantapur Dt.

No.

Dated 3/10

Received 9/10

Enclosures 3

SUBJECT.

Protesting against the
arbitrary manner in which the assessment of house tax has been raised by the Chairman and requesting that it may be reduced &c &c.

(Read with C. 29182 of 1895)

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 29182

His Excellency the Governor in Council
Fort Saint George.
Madras.

CHIEF SECRETARY
-4 OCT. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

May it please your Excellency.

The undermentioned residents of Sannavaripalli and Veppareddipallai, hamlets of Tadpatri Anantapur District most respectfully beg to approach your Excellency's consideration with a memorial in connection with House tax that has been arbitarily raised by the present Chairman of the Local Union Panchayet and pray that the same may be redressed under the following circumstances and submit:—

That at Tadpatri, our principle village Local Fund Union was for the first time introduced in the year 1886-87. and in consequence of your memorialists' villages being its hamlets the same was extended to their villages also and House-tax was imposed.

That your memorialists buildings were assessed on the principle of the market value

G.O. No. 1110 L.S. dated 10-9-95.

value which was subjected to the Inspection of the Revenue Inspector and finally to that of the Taspatui Tahsildar before the list was formally handed over to the Union Authorities and it is after the Inspection by the Chairman and some members on the Board that taxation was fixed on the marginally noted scale*. But a 1/4 of the actual taxation was remitted and 3/4 only being Collected.

That assessing taxation on this principle is itself opposed to the one laid down in the rules framed for the guidance of the Local Boards.

N.B:- Tax should be imposed on the Annual rental of each building.

That at that time your memorialists presented Several appeal petitions but they were unfortunate enough not to succeed

*Houses whose Value is Rupees:-

1500 & upwards	1st	class.	5-0-0
1000 to 1500	2d	"	3-0-0
500 to 1000	3d	"	2-0-0
250 to 500	4th	"	1-0-0
100 to 250	5th	"	0-8-0
1 to 100.	6th	"	0-4-0.

No 2, Chapter I of Rules printed in G.O. No 623 (L.S.) 13-3-94.

Notice no.	old tax	new tax
747.	0-3-0.	3-12-0
710.	0-12-0	3-12-0.
725	0-12-0	3-12-0
734.	0-12-0	3-12-0.
738.	0-12-0	3-12-0
751.	0-6-0	1-8-0
721 } 736 }	0-12-0	1-8-0.
735 . .	1-8-0	3-12-0 .
718. .	1-8-0	3-12-0
745 .	0-6-0	1-8-0
723. } 714. } 737 }	1-8-0	3-12-0
733 .	0-3-0	3-12-0

and Several others.

That soon after the advent of the present Chairman taxes were all on a Sudden raised enormously and notices were issued to Several House-owners. The Chairman Sat close in his office with the House register before him and raised one figure of tax already entered in the Register to any other as he fancied. *For instance

(1) House taxed with annas 0-3-0 was raised to Rs 3-12-0. on no principle.

(2). Mere cattle yards. Simply enclosed with walls having no roof at the top were taxed Rs 3-12-0

(3) That buildings Constructed on Patta-lands to which they already pay land Rss are again taxed.

(4) In short, Subject to no body's inspection and basing on no members recommendation the taxation was raised.

That finding there was much agitation in Villages the Chairman caused a proclamation.

~~proclamation by beats of tom-tom~~

proclamation by beat of tom-tom for the return of all such notices. He caused a Panchayet meeting to be convened and it was resolved in that meeting that two union members be deputed and their recommendations be adopted.

That the two members inspected the villages prepared and submitted a list. That formality having been finished the Chairman again issued notices with some alterations here and there. From these notices it will be seen that that the Chairman did not raise the tax having any slightest regard for the recommendation of these members. So far they remember the two members will say that their list has not been fully adopted at all.

That your memorialists now come to understand that tax has been

raised

Houses whose value is :-

			Rs as.
1000 & upwards	.	1st class.	5-0-0
700 below 1000	.	2d "	3-0-0
400 " 700,		3d "	2-0-0
200 " 400,		4th "	1-0-0.
100 " 200		5th "	0-8-0
1 " 100	.	6th "	0-4-0

Note:- There is levied in taluq at three fourths of the Schedule rates.

raised on account of a resolution passed in a Taluk Board meeting according to the marginally noted scale. But to levy only 3/4 of what is the total according to this scale. But your memorialists beg to represent that this principle even has not been carried through i.e. according to the new scale although the market value is the same in some cases the nature of the class is altered thus:- the 2d class for instance becomes 1st class. This new scale also does not give the Chairman the power to alter 6th, 5th 4th & 3d classes into 1st class or any one class into any other class except the one above it and that too in some cases. That on the other hand the Chairman has retained his own mode of doing things even in contravention of the Taluk Board resolution.

That your memorialists

Submit

Submit they do not see any reason why tax should be imposed on them at all and that also to be increased at the will and the pleasure of the Chairman and the Taluk Board President so long your memorialists do not, in fact, share one of the advantages which the Union has conferred on the people. No Sweeper ever goes to their Village, no lights are kept, nor are the lanes ever cleaned. They Collect House-tax from your memorialists and they Spend on something done at Jaspatni Joron. Your memo-rialists beg to Submit to your Excellency that what Justification in reason for this mode of taxing could be found. That the new Scale now proposed by the Taluk Board is injurious in two ways:—

(1) Retaining the old Valuation the Classification is now changed and hence the tax rates abnormally over the old taxation.

(2). That the permission of your Excellency's Government may at any time be obtained to levy full rates, instead of $\frac{3}{4}$ rates as at present and thus Collect full rates according to the new Classification — that is:— according to the old rate above, under 6" class had to pay 3 annas and now the same house comes under 5" class and pays as 6. If full rates were levied on the old class the owner had to pay Rs. 0—4—0 but now he has to pay Rs. 0—8—0

That if it is the plea of the Union that demand is insufficient to meet the expenditure your memorialists propose that levy of full rates may be ordered on some classes of houses in Jaspatni main bazaar

and.

and not upon any other Villages which do not share in the Benefits of the Union. That your memorialists represented their grievances in person to the President, Bd. Board, who had encamped here the whole of the last week but were ordered to file appeals after paying the tax and obtaining the receipt. But to do so your memorialists fear that they would meet with confirmation orders as they had in the beginning

That your memorialists have hardly recovered from the effects of the dreadful famine of 1876. & 77. and that of 1892 when lot of their Cattle have perished. The fertility of their land has been much reduced and they are overburdened with increased land cess at the time of Revision.

That as your Excellency's loyal

as required under 85 (2) (ii) of the Local Boards Act 1884.

) retaining the old Valuation

loyal subjects your memorialists pray your Excellency's clemency to direct this memorial for enquiry and report either by the Collector of the District or by some members on the District Bd and to direct the remission of the tax now increased on their houses.

For this act of justice your humble memorialists most respectfully beg to remain your Excellency's most obedient Servants.

levey of full rates instead of
$\frac{3}{4}$ rates as at present, may be
ordered on such important
classes and in such parts
of the Town where the Union has
conferred its benefits

That the Taluk Board
President who had come here
on circuit having refused, when
he was requested to come and
see the injustice that is being
done to them until your memo-
rialists first pay the tax
and then appeal with the receipt
obtained. Your Memorialists
fear that their mere appeals
indinidually on papers may
not give them the least
opportunity for good being
done to them.

That therefore your
Memorialists pray Your
Excellency in Council to
direct this Maharzar to be
enquired into either by the
Collector of the District or
by some members now serving on
the District Boards and direct
the Confirmation of old tax with
increase as has been now done by
the Chairmans.

And for this act of Justice
Your Excellency's Memorialists as in
Bound will ever pray.
Your &c. &c. most dutiful
Servants

rest so far these pallicums are Concerned. What else Could the Union bring about to your Memorialists are unable to bear the burden of taxes any further and they will forego all the so called benefit if they are only allowed.

That it is now pleaded that taxation has been increased by Change of Classification retaining the Same market Value. Your Memorialists Submit That the Same has been done in very exceptional Cases the rest being increased both in Value first and then taken to a class higher. This the Chairman had adopted not in Consonance of the resolution of the Taluk Board nor even the members recommendation.

That if it is Considered that the present demand is not enough to meet the expenditure your memorialists propose that levy

These are no merchants Carrying on trade nor a formation of good line of houses to deserve taxation, because they are near the town and have the Credit of being Styled 'Jadpatni', the burden or blessing has been extended to them. Your Excellency's mercy be pleased to Consider That it is your memorialists That least enjoy and share any of the benefits that are and are likely to be Conferred upon by the Union. Not a Single improvement the union has effected except that there is but one latrine constructed for the females within the last so many as 9 years. Your Memorialists See that at their Cost There is Something done to the Town. These things have their

rest

These two members having given their list in the months of September 95, but the notices, prepared in August, before these members had inspected, are again distributed changing the months of August into September so that it may be believed that these were notices prepared and issued in Conformity with the members' list. Members themselves say, that so far they remember that their list has not been carried all along. When some of your memorialists asked the Chairman the rules under which taxation was raised, they were told to go and complain to any body they wanted and that he was not going to tete them all that.

That your memorialists beg to represent that the two Embanks they live in are quarters mostly inhabited by poor Cultivators, Cooly-going-people, day-labourers and dasarie a class of beggars.

to be heard on ordered the return of all such notices at a meeting that was convened that day. That some of your memorialists having gone personally with the notices to make their own representation. They were all ordered to be shoved out of the place.

That in that meeting it seems that it was resolved to depute two of the members of the Union to go to each house and find out the real state of things, and these two members have accordingly after finishing their rounds in the Village, gave a list to the Chairman But the Chairman had not considered it well on his part to carry out the recommendation made by these members. This is evidenced by the fact that notices issued for the Second time are no other than those issued and returned formerly and with the date altered

These

CHIEF SECRETARY
7 OCT. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Municipal Dept.

His Excellency the Governor in
Council, Fort St. George,
Madras.

May it please your Excellency.

That your Excellency's memorialists are the residents of two suburbs (Pallicus) of Jadpatri Town which are situated at some distance isolated from the busy part of the town, but yet they have also been assessed with house tax during the year 1886-87.

That again this year the present Union Chairman increased tax on almost every building and issued notices to the several of your memorialists in the month of August. That then your memorialists having bitterly complained about this arbitrary and reckless taxation the Chairman caused a tom-tom

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