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To P.C. u.o.

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H.M.

To prohibit pilgrimage to this important festival is a matter on which H.E.'s orders are desirable.

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To,
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BELLARY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.
Dated 14th January 1899.

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FROM
E. A. Elwin Esquire
acting COLLECTOR OF
BELLARY.

To be printed
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To
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Camp Bellary.

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× List received in the R&M Dept.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
L Gopalasam
for Collector

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The Collector of Bellary

To

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Through the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras
Camp: Bellary

Reference 3029 P of 1898
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W. G. King
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San. Commr for Madras

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Plague Commissioner.

Fort St. George,
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The Secretary to Government, L & M Department, with letter and notification. ✓

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