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No.

This is to certify that the Bearer, Chokalingum, was employed in my Service as principal Writer, for nearly three (3) years, while I was Brigade Quarter master of Division in the Ceded Districts, and during the whole period gave me the greatest satisfaction.

I always found him zealous, faithful and diligent; anxious to do his duty well, and to please his employer.– He writes a very good plain hand, and understands his business extremely well.– I can with safety recommend him to any staff officer as a valuable Writer.– He received from me the monthly pay of twenty (20) Pagodas.

Bellary
28th December 1812

(Signed) John Scott
A.C.General, of the army

No.

Chokalingum moodelier Head Writer of the Commissariat office at Bellary having applied to me for a testimonial of Character, I have much pleasure in expressing the sense I entertain of that most excellent old mans onduct, during the period that he was employed under my orders–

I am not saying for him more than he deserves, i stating that he is the most zealous, and hard working writer that I have ever known– and I every reason to believe that he is exceedingly correct in his accounts.– of his exertions, and the assistance which he afforded me in preparing the Commissariat arrangements for the Coorg war, it is impossible to speak in terms too strong. It will be sufficient for me to say, that in a year of serious scarcity, a considerable store of grain, some thousands head of Cattle, and supplies of every description were collected at a few days notice, and that the Force was completely equipped and prepared to march from Bellary 48 hours after the receipt of the order-

10th February 1856 }
Mercara — }

(Signed) C. F. LeHardy
Late D.A.C.G.
M. C. Coorg Field F.

N.

My Dear Robertson

I gave this to introduce the best Public Servant in the Commissariat one whom I have long known, and as well as all others who have been fortunately associated with him in office- respect him highly for his sterling character and long and valuable services-

He has been Head of the Bellary Office since 1817 and is so well known in the Ceded Districts that the people will do any thing- nay they think it an honor to do whatever he requires for the public Service-

In him the most implicit confidence may be placed- Tulloch, Clarke, self, Hill and LeHardy are all of the same opinion in this matter His name is Chokalingum Moodelier I think you are fortunate in having his services now at your disposal-

My earnestness will show my feelings on the occasion may you prosper- If I do not join write how matters turn out and where you go alternately-

Believing me
Yours sincerely
(Signed) J. Houstone

N.

Chokalingum Moodelier served under me as a Head Writer in the Commissariat Department at Bellary for a period of three years and eight months-

The testimonials to his character that he has received from every one of my predecessors are of the highest order-

I have the utmost confidence in his zeal, integrity, and ability and now beg to recommend him to the very favorable notice of my successor in the Ceded Districts-

Bellary 5th December }
1847 }

(Signed) C. Elphinstone
D.A.C.G.

N.

Bellary September 20th 1850

Chokalingum Moodelier served under me as Head Writer in the Commissariat at Bellary and was never absent from his duty one day either from sickness or private affairs, he is the first writer to come to the Office and the last to leave, he has so many testimonials in his favor that it is almost unnecessary for me to say more that I fully concur in what the different Commissariat Officers have expressed, regarding this zealous, faithful and able manager. I confidently recommend him to all who may have charge of the Department at Bellary-

During the time I have been at Bellary not the smallest complaint of any kind has been made that was owing to any oversight of the manager- he is certainly the hardest working native public Servant that I have ever known-

(Signed) J. Shepherd
D.A.C.G.

No.

Ramandroog 25th October 1848

To.
Thokalingam Moodelier
Bellary

My Dear Sir,

As I am on the eve of leaving the C. Dt., and will be much occupied during the short stay I propose making at Bellary, I take this opportunity of expressing to you my high sense of your merits as an old and faithful public servant and my just appreciation of your character in all the relations of life.

You have served the Government many years, and served zealously and usefully, as I am persuaded all who know you, will readily testify - and when age and infirmity make it adviseable that you should retire into your private life, I feel assured there will be every desire to make your latter days comfortable and happy - and that none can appreciate your services better, nor will be more ready to do so, than Colonel Tulloch, who must have known you longer than any officer now in India - that health happiness and prosperity may continue to you through life is the sincere wish of -

Your friend

(Signed) J. Anderson
Lieut. Commanding
C. Dt.

My good friend Chokalingam

I am about to separate from you and all my old people, and God only knows whether I may again meet you or them - I have been at Bellary nearly 20 years, and it is in the great regret I leave the place, and its inhabitants many of whom I have a great regard for - Duty however compels me to go, so I shall leave this in a few days, but I cannot do so without communicating in my own hand the sense I entertain of your worth and usefulness as a public servant, holding a high and responsible situation, and of your kind heartedness and liberality as a native Gentleman - your conduct is indeed beyond my praise - so I shall conclude by wishing you and your family every happiness and comfort -

If in after life I can be of use to you or your family, apply without hesitation, and rely on me using every exertion to meet your wishes

Believe me
My good old Moodelier,
Your very sincere friend
and well wisher

Bellary 7th July 1841 }
(Signed) W. Bremner Major
47th R.N.I. lately of
Commissariat Department

Bellary 18th April 1840

Being of comparatively recent appointment to the Commissariat; and charge of the Department at Bellary having been my first; it would be presumption in me to suppose that my testimony to the excellent qualities of Chokalingum Moodelier, Head Writer Commissariat Office C.D., could add any value to that already borne by many more competent Judges; but, as the Kurnool campaign arose immediately on my assuming charge and was carried through while I held it - involving moments notice readiness, during greater part of 1839, a year of almost drought and scarcity here, both of the usual force here and of an unusual accession of European Cavalry - All of which alternately took the Field, with a Heavy park and Engineers Train - the latter at extremely short notice - the whole provision and equipment of which fell entirely on the Ceded Districts Office - the very circumstances of my being inexperienced forms a particular addition to his claims, for the period in question, to the character of an admirable public servant;

for I owe my success in carrying the service through satisfactorily, and without blame or arrears, in much greater measure, to his zealous intelligent and indefatigable character assisted by an Office he has in very efficient control - I shall always respect Chokalingum Moodelier as a highly deserving public servant and good man

(Signed) L. Babington
D.A.C.G.

No.

Chokalingum Moodeliar has served in the capacity of Commissariat Manager, under my own immediate orders for the past five years -

The usual half yearly Returns of Servants, will be found to attest amply my opinion of his energy, honesty and ability as a public Official; the universal esteem in which he is held by all classes European and native, rich and poor, speaks, as strongly, to his private worth -

I never give character to Commissariat Servants, but depart from my rule in this instance, as I am confident that my sentiments will receive every support from Sir S. Hart, and all other under whose immediate observation Chokalingum has fallen in his official capacity -

I conceive that if Government ever do grant full pension a more deserving case for such an indulgence could scarcely be found; In time of urgent need, his energy and the influence his character had secured him, have doubtless done this state good service, in former days - and it is surely something for a Native to be able to say that he has served the circar in an important position for years without ever incurring the slightest reproach - Age is telling on him now and should a full pension be granted him, in the course of nature, it could hardly burden the state for long-

Bellary 10th Augt
1854 }
(Signed) J. Harris
D.A.C.G.

Extract of a letter from Commissary General Colonel Tulloc
Neelgeerees dated 20th July 1842-

I have now the pleasure of returning you the Testimonials of Character which you sent for my Inspection some time ago- they are very creditable to you and I have derived much gratification in their perusal- you have had a great many Masters and to have afforded satisfaction to them all, is a sure proof of the Regularity & correctness with which you have carried on, under them, your official duties for so many years at Bellary- I shall be always glad to hear of the welfare-

(A True Extract)
T. Chokalingum

I hereby certify that Chokalingum, Head Writer in the Commissariat Office, Bellary, is quite worn out and incapacitated for further duty, by the general infirmities of old age, and has lost all his teeth-.

Present age 72 Years, and period of Service above 50 Years-

I have no reason to suspect that his present state of inefficiency is in any way the consequence of intemperance or other irregular habits.

J. M. Sewell
Garrison Surgeon
Bellary

Bellary.
9th April 1858

To Captain R. A. Moore
Deputy Assistant Commissary Genl
Ceded Districts
Bellary

Sir,

I beg most Respectfully to bring my Case to your favorable Notice, hoping that it may meet with your Kind Consideration,

I Commenced Service as Arrack Conicopoly under the Contractor in the Year 1802, in the Year 1810 was transferred to the Government Service as a Writer under the late Captain J Scott Assistant Adjutant General of the Army, and in 1813, entered the Commissariat Department as Cash Keeper and Accountant under Captain Webster Sub Assistant Commissary General - this appointment was bestowed upon me in Consideration of Services rendered in the adjustment of the Commissariat Accounts of the Field Force under Colonel Dowse, and eventually the Head Writership at this Station which appointment I have held during the long period of 50 Years to the entire Satisfaction I believe, of the numerous Officers I have Served under-

In the Year 1815 when the Army of Reserve was in this part of the Country all Supplies for its use were sent by the

Bellary

Bellary Commissariat Officer, notwithstanding the dearth prevailing at the time and in which my services were acknowledged, as also in 1834 when a Force went from this to Coorg, and in 1839 and 1857 when Forces were sent into the Kurnool Country.

I am now above 72 years of age 50 of which has been spent in the service of the Honorable Company, and as physical infirmities now oblige me to apply for my pension, I beg you will bring my Case to the favorable notice of the Commissary General and that should he consider me deserving of it, he will recommend to Government that full pension may be granted to me, for the short period I may live.

I take the liberty to annex a few of the many testimonials I have received from the Officers I have served under.

I beg to remain with due Respect
Honored Sir
Your most Obedient and very
humble Servant,
T. Chokalingum

Bellary
22nd April
1858

1858 Dep^tt

No 2.

Enclosed in a letter
from the Com^y. General
Madras dated 6^th.
July 1858 No. 96.

Bringing to favorable
notice the services ren-
dered to Government.

Register of an Application for Superannuation Pension from the Establishment of the Commissariat Department at Bellary preferred under the Rules passed by Government under date the 15th May 1851. (17)

Name of the Person by whom the Pension is applied for with the Name of his Father.	Number on the Establishment	Identification of Applicant's Person	Size		Age of applicant at the time of application			Religion Caste or Tribe	Where residing			Present Employment	Total period of Service		Applicants Service Continuous or not.	How long unemployed and under what circumstances.	Date of application to Government	Average Salary or Authorized Official Allowance per mensem for the 5 years preceding the date of application	Salary or authorized Official allowance per mensem at the time of application	Abstract of the Grounds of application	Remarks by the Head of Office	Proposed amount of Pension per mensem	Treasury at which the party wishes to draw the Pension	Orders of Government
			Feet	Inches	Years	Months	Days		Province	Pergunnah	Village		Years	Months				C.Rs. A. P.	C.Rs. A. P.					
T. Chockalingum Moodeliar Son of Ambalavana Moodeliar	116.	Mole on top of left Cheek bone just below the Eye. Small black mole on outside of left hand between first and second joints of little finger. Dark Bamboo Color. Aquiline Nose.	5.	9.	71.	"	"	Vellalah	Bellary	"	"	Head writer and Cash Keeper.	48	"	Continuous	"	6th July 1858.	105. "–"	105. "–"	Age and Infirmity	Character unexceptionable	[illegible]	Commissariat Bellary.	

(Signed) R. A. Moore. Lieutt.
Acting D. A. C. Genl. C.D.

Commissary General's Office, Madras 6th July 1858.

A Certificate of Age in this case appears unnecessary
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A McCally Col
Com Genl

No.

Memorandum

The Commissary General has the honor to report for the information of the Chief Secretary to Government that Chocalingum Moodelliar whose application for Pension was forwarded with his letter of the 6th Instant will cease to be employed in the Commissariat at Bellary from the 1st proximo.

No. 96

Commissary Generals Office
Madras 30th July 1858.

Colonel
Commissary General

To
The Chief Secretary to
Government.
Fort Saint George

Genwr.

1858 Deptt
No. 1.
Enclosed in a letter
from the Comy: General
Madras dated 6th
July 1858 No. 96.

Register of an Appli:
cation for Superannuation
Pension for the Head
writer of the Commt.
Office at Bellary.

Public
Separate 1858 Dept
No. 339

From
the Commissary General
To
the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Dated 30th
Received 3rd July 1858.
No. 108.

Reports that Chocca=
=lingum Moodelliar
Head Writer at Bellary
will cease to be employed
from the 1st proximo.

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Commissary General's Office,
Madras, 6th July 1858.
No. 96.

From
The Commissary General,
To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the purpose of being laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a Register of Application for Superannuated Pension.

2 Chockalingum Moodeliar is the Oldest Servant in the Department, his services having extended over a period of 48 Years, during the last 42 of which, he has been employed as Head Writer of the Commissariat at Bellary.

3 This individual was successfully employed in providing supplies for the Army of Reserve in the Year 1815, also in 1834, and 1839, when Field Forces marched against Coorg and Kurnool, and more recently Lieutenant Barrow stated that he received much valuable assistance from him in obtaining Brinjarce Bullocks and in

equipping

equipping the Moveable Column under Major General Whitlock.-

4. From the testimonials he holds, it appears to me that he has earned a Character of which few Natives of his Class can boast, I would therefore beg most strongly to recommend Chockalingum Moodeliar to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council as a man in whose favor a special exception might with justice be made by granting him a Pension equal to his present full Salary.-

5. Chockalingum's letter applying for a pension, together with Copies of testimonials alluded to therein are enclosed.-

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.-

A McCally Cap
Co Mil

Copied by.
S.C.B. G. R.B.W.

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Separate
Public 1858 Deptt
No. 308

From
The Commy. General
Madras
To
The Chief Secy. to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 6th } July 1858
Recd. 7th } No. 96

Enclosures 3.

Submitting Register of an Application for a Superannuation Pension for T. Chockalingum Moodeliar Head Writer in the Comt. Office at Bellary and recommends as a special Case the grant of a Pension equal to his present full Salary.–

Sep. Do. No. 232
of 16 Aug /58.

Forwarded to the Military Auditor General for the usual verification.

Fort St. George
9th July 1858

D. F. Carmichael
Dy. Secy. to Govt.

To
The Military Auditor General &c &c &c
4 Enclosures

Recd. 12th July 1858.

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Memo. of the Services of T. Chockalingum Moodelliar Head Writer in the Commissariat Department at Bellary.

	Period of Services Verified by the Records of the Military Auditor General's Office.
	Y. – M. – D.
As Cashkeeper and Accountant from 15th May 1813 to 31st August 1818 at Rs. 52-8-" per Month	5 – 3 – 17
As Head Writer from 1st September 1818 to 31st July 1833 @ Rs. 87–8–" per Month	14 – 11 – "
As – do – do – from 1st August 1833 to 31st January 1855 the latest account received in this Office @ Rs. 105–"–" per Month	21 – 6 – "
Total period of Service.	41 – 8 – 17

Y. – M. – D.
31 May /55 – 41-8-17
31st /56
31 /57
31 /58

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W. H. [illegible] Lieut. Col.
Officiating Military Audr. Genl.

12th May /58 – 45 – 2 – Total Period of Service

Separate
Public 1858 Depart
No. 550
To
From
The Military Auditor
General.
Dated 6th August 1858.
Reports on the
service of S. Chokalingam
Moodr. B. Sirdar in
~~the~~ Commissariat
Depart at Bellary.
Vide No. 232
of 16 Augt. [SF]

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Memorandum.

Letter from the Commissary General to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 6th July 1858 No. 96 with 4 enclosures.

The Military Auditor General has the honor to return the papers, as per margin, which were forwarded for Verification on the 9th Ultimo, and to state that, the Abstracts of the Commissariat Department at Bellary have been carefully examined and the name of S. Chokalinga Moodalliar appears therein as described in the annexed Memorandum.

Fort St. George
6th August 1858

W H Macdonald Lieut. Col.
Officiating Military Auditor General

To
The Dy. Secretary to Government
Public Department.

Compd J.F.

Draft

Separate. Public Dept (29)

No 232. D/16 August 1858.

Read letter from the Commissary Genl.

} Here enter No 96 D/ 8th July/58.

Read also Mily Aud. Genl's Report (Here enter 8th Aug/58)

Col McCally in his letter recommends the grant of a Special Pension to Chocka-lingum Moodelly, the head Writer of the Dept, at Bellary.

WM

2. The Govt resolve to forward the application for the favorable consideration of the Govt of India.

D.F.C.
8/8/58

Ordered that the following letter be despatched to the Govt of India, in the Financial Dept.

13th Feb – 41-9
Nov – 10
15 Nov/5 42.

To The Finl. Departt
desp with letter – 16/8

Entd & Exd 17/8.
Ditto retained –
D.F.C.
Dy Secy

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No 232.

Extract.

D/16 August /58 —

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