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COPIES OF TESTIMONIALS

OF

Mahomed Hoossain,

LATELY INSPECTOR OF POLICE, 4th CLASS.

Peon from 13th May 1829 to 30th November 1829.
Deloyet from 1st December 1829 to 14th December 1830.
Duffadar from 15th December 1830 to 8th February 1831.
Head Duffadar from 9th February 1831 to 31st August 1839.
Second Cutwal in the Kurnool Field Force from 1st September to 30th November 1839.
Head Duffadar from 1st December 1839 to 8th June 1844.
3rd Cutwal from 9th July 1844 to 30th June 1848.
2nd. do. from 1st July 1848 to 22nd July 1854.
Head do. from 23rd July 1854 to 13th July 1860.
4th. Class Inspector Mofussil Police from 14th July 1860 to 1st September 1862.

From Captain J. Robertson, Assistant Commissary General, Field Force

Mahomed Hossain, of the Police Department, Bellary, was employed under me when with the Kurnool Field Force, in 1839, as Second Cutwal. I consider him a good servant and well qualified for the situation he then held.

Bellary
13th August 1840. (Signed) JAMES ROBERTSON, Captain
Assistant Commissary General.

From Captain C. Elphinstone, Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

Mahomed Hossain, Third Cutwal of the Bellary Military Police establishment, has, in that capacity, served under me for a period of three years and eight months. I have ever found him attentive and zealous in the discharge of his duties. On the occasion of the Comarsawmy Pagoda, Soondoor, having been broken open and plundered by a large gang of robbers, he was placed in charge of a party of Police, Civil and Military, and so energetic and skilful were his plans that in a short time he apprehended nearly the whole of the burglers in the different Talooks of the Collectorate. He was then rewarded by the Collector and by the Rajah of Soondoor, who conferred on him a grant of land and a gold bangle, in token of the sense he entertained of Mahomed Hoossain's zeal, ability and courage. It now affords me great pleasure in bearing testimony to Mahomed Hoossain's good character.

Madras
5th January 1847. (Signed) C. ELPHINSTONE, Captain
Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

From Major R. Ricketts. 48th Regiment Native Infantry.

Certified hereby that I have many reasons to believe Mahomed Hoossain, Second Cutwal, to be a zealous, faithful and deserving public servant. I have now been at Bellary one year and seven months and I have invariably found him to be an obliging, willing, and active man in the execution of his arduous duties; and, on one occasion, when I was robbed, he was, I believe, chiefly instrumental in apprehending the thief and recovering my stolen property. His advancement and success in life would at all times afford me great pleasure.

Bellary
2nd September 1848. } (Signed) R. RICKETTS, Major
Commanding 48th *Regiment N. I.*

From Captain G Gordon, Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

Mahomed Hoossain, acting 2nd Cutwal Bellary, I consider a very deserving man, most attentive to duty and a very useful public servant I had an opportunity of knowing his merit while in charge of the Commissariat Department. I wish him well and I beg to recommend him to favourable consideration.

Bellary
1st November 1848. } (Signed) G. GORDON.
A. D. C. In Charge Commt. Department

From Captain J. Whistler 6th Cavalry.

I have much pleasure in stating that Cutwal Mahomed Hoossain, of the Cowl Bazar of Bellary, gave me general satisfaction during my residence at Bellary. I consider him one of the most efficient Police Officers I have seen in India, at all times ready to render assistance either in the night or day, and, indeed, I cannot say too much in praise of him. I very strongly recommend him to his superiors as a man worthy of promotion to the head Cutwalship.

Bellary
3rd February 1850. } (Signed) J. WHISTLER, Captain
6th Regiment Light Cavalry.

From Lieutenant G. B. Tucker, Adjutant 1st Light Cavalry.

This is to certify that the bearer, Mahomed Hoossain, 2nd Cutwal of the Bellary Cowl Bazar, showed himself very zealous and efficient with regards to discovering and apprehending the thieves in a case of robbery in my house.

Bellary
5th May 1851. } (Signed) G. B. TUCKER, Lieutenant.
Adjutant 1st Light Cavalry.

From Brigadier H. Dowker, Brigadier Commanding Bellary.

This is to Certify that the bearer of this Mahomed Hoossain has been Second Cutwal of the Military Bazar of Bellary during the whole of my command of the Station for five years and nearly four months; that he has given every satisfaction in this Station and that I consider him an active, intelligent, enterprizing and useful Subordinate Police Officer and deserving of promotion.

Bellary
3rd May 1852. } (Signed) H. DOWKER Brigadier.
Commanding Bellary.

From Lieutenant Colonel J. Johnstone, Commanding 25th Regiment.

This is to certify that Mahomed Hoossain, Cutwal at Bellary, was entertained by me and served under me at Bellary during the years I had charge of the Commissariat and Police. I had the highest opinion of him and promoted him whenever it was in my power. He has since acquired higher employ which shows how my successors also approved of his services. Beyond this what more can I say; but, wishing him every prosperity, I subscribe this as his old master.

Madras
May 1854. } (Signed) J. JOHNSTONE, Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding 25th Regiment N. I.

From Captain F. Harris, Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

The bearer of this, Mahomed Hoossain, has served under me for six years, nearly, as first Cutwal, I consider him a most energetic detective Officer; he has been remarkably successful in detecting crime and his conduct has been uniformly good.

Bellary
14th February 1855. } (Signed) F. HARRIS, Captain
Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

From Major J. Jackson, Fort Adjutant.

1st Cutwal Mahomed Hoossain having asked me a certificate of character, I have the pleasure of stating that, as far as he has come under my observation, I consider him an active and intelligent person which is well corroborated by a character in his possession from Captain Elphinstone late Commissary General at this station

Bellary,
12th April 1855. } (Signed) J JACKSON, Major,
Fort Adjutant.

From Brigadier J. W. Yaldwyn, Brigadier Commanding Bellary

Mahomed Hoossain has served during my command of Bellary, as 2nd Cutwal of Bruce Pettah, for two years and as head Cutwal of the Cowl Bazar for one year. He has, in both situations, conducted his duties with zeal and intelligence and to my entire satisfaction

Bellary,
25th September 1855. } (Signed) J. W. YALDWYN, Brigadier,
Commanding Bellary.

From Captain A. Robertson, 48th Regiment.

I have known Mahomed Hoossain, the 2nd Cutwal of Bellary, for nearly four years. I acted for a very short time as Superintendent of Police and have, in the course of my duty as Fort Adjutant and on other occasions, had opportunities of observing him, and I look upon him as a most intelligent and zealous public servant, and one who discharges his duty most efficiently on all occasions.

Bellary,
25th September 1856. } (Signed) A. ROBERTSON, Captain,
47th Regiment N. I.

From Captain E Travers, Assistant Adjutant General C. D.

For seven years, I have been on the Staff at Bellary. I have known

Mahomed Hoossain, Cutwal, now 1st Cutwal, and I have always heard him spoken of in the highest terms of approbation.

Bellary,
25th November 1856. } (Signed) E. TRAVERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

From Captain D. Barrow, Fort Adjutant.

This is to certify that I have known cutwal Mahomed Hoossain for nearly five years and consider him a most excellent man, always willing and ready to render me every assistance in his power. During the time I have been Fort Adjutant, I have always found him most obliging in rendering me information whenever I required it.

Bellary,
26th December 1856. } (Signed) D. BARROW, Captain,
Fort Adjutant.

From Brigadier E. Pole, Brigadier Commanding Bellary.

The bearer of this, Mahomed Hoossain, has been Head Cutwal of the Military bazar during my command at this station and has given every satisfaction to me during the period, particularly during the Mohurrum festival when there was a probability of disturbances.

Bellary,
26th December 1857. } (Signed) E. POLE, Brigadier,
Commanding Bellary.

From Captain W. Hutchison, Deputy Assistant Commissary General, Ceded Districts.

I have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the uniformly good conduct, active zeal and respect, of Mahomed Hoossain Head Cutwal of this place, during the 3 years. I have had charge of the Police duties here He is a most deserving and intelligent public servant and has given every satisfaction.

Bellary,
22nd October 1858. } (Signed) W. HUTCHISON, Captain,
Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

From Lieutenant R. A. Moore, Superintendant of Police.

Mahomed Hoossain has served under me as Cutwal for nearly two years and I have pleasure in adding my testimony, to that of many others, to the highly satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties appertaining to his office.

Bellary,
14th October 1859. } (Signed) R. A. MOORE, Lieut.
Dy. Assistant Commissary General & Supt. of P.

From Colonel Macduff, 74th Highlanders,

I hereby certify that during the different periods in which I have been stationed at Bellary, as Brigadier and in command of the 74th Highlanders, I have found the Bearer, Mahomed Hoossain, the Cutwal, to be a most active and attentive Police Officer.

Bellary
5th March 1860. } (Signed) J. MACDUFF, Colonel,
Commanding H. M, 74th Highlanders.

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To

The Honorable The Government in Council
Fort Saint George
Madras.

The Petition of Mahomed Hoossain
Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner was a servant of Government, in various offices, both Civil and Military and alike in peace and war, continuously, during the long period of 33¼ years; but, finally, when discharged, he received by order of Government No. 60 dated 16th February 1864 merely a gratuity of three hundred rupees. Petitioner craves under Notification of 26th July that the gratuity may be received back so as to permit him to apply for pension.

Your Petitioner, in that long period of 33¼ years, ever served the Government so as to receive the approbation of all the officers under whom he was employed. In proof thereof Petitioner encloses copies of Testimonials given to him, wherein Petitioner will be observed described as "A good Servant and well qualified for the situation he then held" "Attentive and zealous in the discharge of his duties" "Rewarded for his zeal ability & courage" "And testimony borne to his good character" "A zealous, faithful and deserving public Servant" "An obliging, willing and active man in the execution of his arduous duties" "A very deserving man, most attentive to duty and very useful public Servant" "One of the most efficient Police officers I have seen in India, at all times ready to render assistance either in the night or day" "An active, intelligent, enterprizing and useful Subordinate Police Officer and deserving of promotion" "I had the highest opinion of him and promoted him whenever it was in my power" "A most energetic detective officer, he has been remarkably successful in detecting crime and his conduct has been uniformly good" "An active and intelligent person" "Conducted his duties with zeal and intelligence and to my entire satisfaction" "A most intelligent and zealous public Servant and one who discharges his duty most efficiently on all occasions" "Spoken of in the highest terms of approbation" "A most excellent man, always willing and ready to render me every assistance in his power" "Most obliging in rendering me information whenever I required it" "Has given every satisfaction to me" "The uniformly good conduct active zeal and respect of Mahomed Hoossain" "A most intelligent and deserving public Servant and has given every satisfaction" "The highly satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties appertaining to his office" "A most active and attentive Police Officer"

These words from many varied officers of high rank will show the manner in which Petitioner Served the Government for 33¼ years and he humbly prays that the benevolent Government will compassionately reconsider his case and will permit petitioner to restore the gratuity & graciously grant him a pension for his old age. Petitioner at 55 years of age is in the decline of life and is now wholly unable to undertake or enter on any new avocation for his own support.

Petitioner will ever pray &c.

Bellary
23d August
1864

Pension
No 2283 of 1864 Dpart

From Mohummed
Hoosain residing in
Bellary — No 630

Dated 23 }
Recd 26 } of Augt 1864
M. D. No 5796 of 1868
With One Enclor

Pros: No 381

States that after a
long & faithful service
of upwards of 33 years
in different capa-
cities both in the
civil & Military De-
partments a gratuity
of 300 Rs was granted
to him.

Submitting here-
with copies of his testi-
monials prays that
on condition of his
refunding the gratu-
ity money he may be
permitted to apply
for pension according
to the Notification
dated 26th July.

Vide Pros. 16th Feby 1864 No 60.

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The Honorable A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George
Madras &c.

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To,

The Honorable The Governor in Council,
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Petitioner will ever pray

Bellary
23d August
1864

To
J. C. Sim Esquire
Secretary to Government
Madras

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Madras.

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Bellary
23d August
1864

The Honorable The Governor in Council

of Fort Saint George

Madras

No 2273 of 1864

From

Mahamed Hoossain
residing in Bellary.

Dated 23 } Augt 1864
Rd 24 }

With one enclosures

M D No. 5796 of 1865

Representing that
he served the Govt in
various Capacities
for more than 33 years
but a Gratuity of Rs 300
was only Granted to Ptr
for his such long services
Enclosing herein Copies
of his Testimonials
prays that with reference
to the notification of 26th
July he may be allowed to
refund the Gratuity & to
apply for Pension.

Pension 1864. Department.

No 381

PROCEEDINGS of GOVERNMENT.

Dated 13th September 1864.

Pr. D. No. 57/26 of 1865

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2/// Pension Departt

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read again Pros: of the 16th Feby 1864 No. 60 -

Read also the following:

Petition from Mahomed Hoosain of Bellary - } (Here enter 23d Augt 1864)

Order thereon 13th September 1864 No. 381.

Adverting to the order in this Dept. No 60 of the 16th Febr. last - in which it is stated that service in the Mofussil Police as a probationer cannot be reckoned ~~as~~ as service for pension ~~H.E.~~ the G. in C. on reconsideration, is of opinion that, under the system prevailing in the Police Dept., such a general rule as is involved in that statement would be unjust in its ~~such~~ application, and hence resolves that each case + shall be decided on its ~~own~~ merits.

+ where the term of "probation" has exceeded 6 months -

In the case now in question Petr's service though called probation ary, extended over more than two years, and the G. in C. is pleased to sanction its being included as service qualifying for gratuity and in consequence to award to Mahomed Hussain the sum of Rs 210 being the difference between the gratuity of 6 months pay awarded him in the order quoted, on the hypothesis that his last pay was Rs 50, and that due to him under the ruling above that his last service was as Inspector of Police, on Rs 85 per mensem.

C.W.

To
The Commissary General
To The Controller of Military Accounts
Date 13/9/64.

Entered & returned
21. 9. 64

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Gratuity
to
Mahomed Hussain

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The fact is Mr Robinson kept & indeed was obliged at first to keep on men - rather below the mark, till he could train or get better - But it is very hard that such service, extending over 2 years should not reckon as service [illegible]