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PENSION DEPARTMENT.

Gratuity.

No. 184.

From

J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., C.S.I.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,

To

The SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT of INDIA,
Department of Finance and Commerce.

Sir,

I am directed to forward, for the favorable consideration of the Government of India, the accompanying Proceedings of this Government disposing of an application for an extraordinary gratuity to the widow of Cannan Cootty, a Forest Guard, who was killed by a refractory elephant.

2. The deceased, who behaved with much courage, lost his life at the early age of twenty-seven entirely through his devotion to duty, and had throughout a service (which practically commenced in boyhood and permanently in 1872) been a most exemplary and useful public servant.

3. This Government have granted to the widow of Cannan Cootty a gratuity of Rs. 60, equal to six months of her deceased husband's pay, but under the circumstances detailed above would recommend this amount being raised to one year's pay, or Rs. (120) one hundred and twenty.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Fort St. George,
15*th March* 1880.

Acting Secy. to Govt.

Read the following paper :—

From Colonel R. H. BEDDOME, Conservator of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department (through the Accountant-General), dated Manantoddy, 1st December 1879, No. 1166-A.

I have the honor to forward herewith an application for a gratuity of Rs. 250 submitted by the widow of the late Head Forest Guard K. Cannan Cootty, through the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nilambúr. An extraordinary gratuity is applied for, as the Guard in question was killed by an elephant in the execution of his public duty. The elephant suddenly and unexpectedly dashed the guard

1. Application for a gratuity.
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to the ground and knelt on his chest and killed him. Guard Cannan Cootty was a promising young man, having rendered six years and six months' useful service under Government, for which he received Rs. 10 per mensem as pay in the Nilambúr Forest Division. Under the foregoing circumstances I strongly beg to recommend for favorable consideration the grant of the above gratuity to the widow of the late Head Forest Guard.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From J. FERGUSON, Esq., Deputy Conservator, to the Conservator of Forests, dated Nilambúr, 17th October 1879, No. 64.

I regret to inform you it was reported to me, on the afternoon of the 15th instant, that the Head Forest Guard Cannan Cootty, in charge of dragging operations at Irvellykavu Plantations, had just been killed by one of the elephants employed on the work. I immediately proceeded to the spot and found life extinct.

2. On inquiry I found the animal that morning had worked reluctantly later on. The driver having lost control over him, he went and lay down in the river, whereon the Head Forest Guard got on the back of another elephant, went into the river and on to the obstinate one and brought him back to work, and, while pressing him to work, the animal with his foot knocked over, and then knelt down on the top of, the Forest Guard before any assistance could be rendered; in fact death had been almost instantaneous.

3. Cannan Cootty was a native of Nilambúr, about twenty-seven years of age, employed under me from boyhood in various capacities—acting and substitute, and from 1872 permanent, Peon on the sanctioned establishment, and from 1877 Head Forest Guard. He knew all the district, thoroughly acquainted with all forests and operations connected with the division, a most useful man in his class, whom I fully expected to recommend to my successor if spared to retire. I regret very much his untimely end, leaving his family (very poor) quite destitute. I, therefore, respectfully suggest that his family be paid a small gratuity, say one year's salary, to show that good service will not be overlooked however humble the position of the incumbent. I have, therefore, to request you will be pleased to recommend the above for the favorable consideration of Government.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From J. FERGUSON, Esq., Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nilambúr Division, to the Conservator of Forests, dated Nilambúr, 6th November 1879, No. 70.

With reference to your letter, No. 1044, dated 27th ultimo, I have the honor to enclose an application for an extraordinary gratuity by the widow of Cannan Cootty, late Head Forest Guard in this establishment, amounting to Rs. 250 payable at Nilambúr.

APPLICATION for an Extraordinary Gratuity for the family of Cannan Cootty, late a Head Forest Guard in the Nilambúr Division, Malabar District, killed in the execution of his duty (submitted by the widow of Cannan Cootty).

A.—Description of Claimant.

1. Name and residence	Teayi of Nilambúr.
2. Age	Seventeen years and six months.
3. Height	Five feet.
4. Race, caste, or tribe	Sudra.
5. Marks for identification	Fair, not jet black complexion.
6. Recent occupation and pecuniary circumstances.	None, nor any means of support except the goodwill of her relations.
7. Degree of relationship to deceased ...	Widow.

B.—Description of Deceased.

8. Name	Kavinghal Cannan Cootty.
9. Occupation and Service	Head Forest Guard.
10. Length of service	Six years and six months.
11. Pay when killed	Rs. (10) ten per mensem.
12. Nature of injury causing death	When knocked over, the animal with its full force and weight knelt on his chest, then with one foot pressed on the belly till the bowels gushed out.

13. Amount of gratuity proposed	Rupees (Rs. 250) two hundred and fifty.
14. Place of payment	Nilambúr.
15. Remarks	A young, but most useful man in his class, whose untimely death leaves his widow destitute and entirely dependent on her relations for support; therefore strongly recommended for the favorable consideration of Government.

(Signed) തായി.

NILAMBUR, *6th Nov.* 1879.

(Signed) J. FERGUSON,
Deputy Conservator, in charge of
Nilambúr Forests.

No. A.D.J.—32.

Submitted to Government with the remark that an extraordinary family gratuity not exceeding Rs. 60, equal to six months' pay of the deceased, is admissible under Section 134 of the Civil Pension Code. The grant of any gratuity in excess of that sum will, it is submitted, need the confirmation of the Government of India.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
11th February 1880.

(Signed) R. C. CHAPMAN,
Offg. Asst. to Accountant-General,
for *Accountant-General.*

ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1880, No. 155.

Under Section 134 of the Civil Pension Code (4th Edition) His Grace the Governor in Council is pleased to grant to Teayi, widow of the late Head Forest Guard Kavinghal Cannan Cootty, killed in the execution of his duty, a gratuity of six months' pay of deceased, or Rs. (60) sixty, the full amount which the Government can sanction under the rules.

(True Extract.)

LORNE A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secretary to Government.

Exd. J. Wright and J. W. Fische

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PENSION DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George,
To
The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Dept. of Finance and Commerce.

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Enclosure.

Gratuity.—Submitting, for favorable consideration, Proceedings of Government granting a gratuity of Rs. 60 to the widow of Cannan Cootty, a Forest Guard, who was killed by a refractory elephant, and recommending the amount being raised to Rs. (120) one hundred and twenty.

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