

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 8th September 1857.

No. 31. Read the following Petition of ETHESHAM OOD DOWLAH BAHADOOR ETHESHAM JUNG ; to the Right Honorable G. F. R. LORD HARRIS, Governor in Council, &c., &c., &c., Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 25th August 1857.

The Humble Petition of Ethesham Ood Dowlah Bahadoor Ethesham Jung.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

1. That your Petitioner most deferentially begs leave to submit that, though he holds a high and permanent Office in the Carnatic Durbar being the Head of a Cutcherry, possesses a Commission, and enjoys the honor of a High Title, by which means he had the privilege of sitting in the line of Civil Chief Officers on public or state occasions, yet he has unfortunately not been included in the List of Chief Officers. Your Petitioner therefore feels himself bound to submit the circumstances of his case to your Lordship in Council, in the firm hope of meeting with your Lordship's wonted justice and impartiality.

2. Formerly the Military Department of the Carnatic Sircar contained two sorts of Servants, *viz.*, the Fouj (Troops), and Ahsam (Chobdars, Peons, Jasawals, &c.) Although the former were called by the name of Fouj in consequence of their having Military Uniform and Arms, and the latter by the name of Ahsham because they have not the Uniform and Arms, yet in point of duty they were both identical as they were all employed as guards. When late Nabob Gholam Mahomed Ghouse Khan Bahadoor established several Offices in the Durbar, he separated the Ahsham Servants from the Military Department, instituted a new and separate Office for them, and appointed, as its Head, Auzum Ool Oomrah Bahadoor, late President of the Revenue Department of the Sircar. After the death of Auzum Ool Oomrah Bahadoor, His Highness the late Nabob nominated your Petitioner as his successor, favouring him with the Title of Ethesham Ood Dowlah Bahadoor Ethesham Jung, as well as Commission for that Office.

3. Your Petitioner holds this Office to the present day on a monthly Allowance of Rupees 100, the length of his Services as reckoned from the date of his first admission being about 11 years ; of his father about 21, and of his grand-father about 35 years. To prove the high importance of this Office, your Petitioner most respectfully begs to urge the following remarks upon your Lordship's just and mature consideration.

1stly. That on public or state occasions your Petitioner was seated with the Chief Officers of the Durbar, and also enjoyed all the honors due to such Officers on the Civil Branch of Service.

2ndly. That your Petitioner, alike the other Chief Officers of the Durbar, possesses a Commission, which plainly testifies the importance of his Office and which is herewith submitted for your Lordship's perusal and requested to be returned.

3rdly. That your Petitioner's Cutcherry is equal to the Cutcherries of the other Chief Officers, and, like the Military Department, it has a day Officer and also Resaldars, Adjutant, Deputy Adjutant, Jemadars, &c., as well as Ahsham Servants, who, notwithstanding the transfers, &c., made from amongst them to other Cutcherries, now amount to nearly 300 men, and whose number at the time of their being separated from the Military Department was about 900 men, their monthly Salaries exceeding Rupees 5000 in the aggregate.

4thly. That your Petitioner holds a permanent Office and a separate Cutcherry, and, aliko the other Chief Officers of the Sircar, has not been under authority of any other Cutcherry.

4. Under these circumstances your Petitioner most respectfully begs to submit that out of the Officers that held Commissions and permanent Cutcherries, and who being the Chief Officers enjoyed the privilege of sitting on the particular seats to present nuzzurs, and have been favored by your Lordship in Council with full Pensions, your Petitioner is the only one now remaining and deserving a similar indulgence. Therefore and considering the justice and impartiality of your Lordship in Council your Petitioner entertains a strong hope that your Lordship in Council

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will be pleased to take his case into your just and favorable consideration and order that he may be included among the Chief Officers, and treated accordingly.

For which act of kindness and justice your Petitioner as in duty bound shall Ever Pray.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, No. 725; dated 3rd September 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Petition be referred to the Government Agent at Chepauk for his report.

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Prays to be admitted to a full Pension
as "chief officer". States he is the
head of the Asham Cutchery, or the
office which has the control of all
the revenue of the Durban, other than
military.

That he has a Commission, which he
encloses; that his office was entirely
a separate one & made its reports
direct; that he had a high seat on
certain days with the privilege of
presenting May 1798.

Salary - Rs. 100 per mensem.

Dr. B. His name appears (No. 8)
in the list of persons entitled to
chairs in the presence of the Natch.

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the Gov. Agent at Chapauk for
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V. M. St. George
By Chief Secretary.

For St. George
3d. Sept. 1877.

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