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Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 25. 11— ~~19~~ 1857

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No. 5. From Brigadier A. S. LOGAN, Commanding Vellore; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Vellore, Stipend Pay Office, 1st November 1857, No. 222 of 1857.

SIR,

I have the honor to request you will be so good as to bring to the notice of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that, Stree Vurdarauze Bungo, Son of the late Zemindar of Goomsur, has represented to me his wish to proceed to Trippaty for the purpose of performing the Ceremony of removing the hair from his head and from thence to Streerungum in the Trichinopoly District, for performing the Oopanayanum Ceremony or Thread Marriage.

Should there be no objection to granting Vurdarauze Bunge the indulgence solicited, I beg to recommend that four Months' leave may be granted to him for that purpose and that I may be authorized to call upon the Collectors noted in the margin, to afford the aid of two Daloyets and four Peons and that they may be directed to give instructions to the Tasildars and Heads of Villages through which Vurdarauze Bunge may pass, to give their assistance and protection and also to see that due payment is made for supplies furnished him, and I propose sending two confidential Hircarrahs of the Mahal Establishment to accompany him, to watch his proceedings.

Collector of North Arcot.
„ „ *Chingleput.*
„ „ *South Arcot.*
„ „ *Tanjore.*
„ „ *Trichinopoly.*

As Vurdarauze Bunge will require means for the expences of his Journey and performing the two Ceremonies, and taking into consideration the reduced allowance he has been put on since December 1850, *viz.* from 500 Rupees a month to 300 Rupees, I beg to recommend that the sum of Rupees 3,000 may be allowed him for the performance of the Ceremonies in question, as well as the expences of his travelling.

(Signed) A. LOGAN, Brigadier,
Commanding Vellore.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, No. 996; dated 25th November 1857.

The Government think that under present circumstances Vurdarauze Bunge's visit to Triputty and Streerungum had better be deferred. The Officer Commanding Vellore may renew the application after some short period of time has elapsed.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

Political Dept 2.

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Read the following letter from the Brigadier Comm[g] Vellore } Here enter No 222 & 1st Nov[r].

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Vundarangy Bungy, a State Prisoner at Vellore, son of the late Zemindar of Goomsur asks for four (4) months leave of absence, (K. asst) to visit the shrines of Tripetty and Sreerungham (Trichenopoly).

The Brigadier supports his application and recommends further that a donation of Rs 3000 be sanctioned, in consideration of the expences of travelling and in aid of the ceremonies Vundarangy will have to perform at the two temples. Col Logan proposes to depute two confidential Hurcarahs to accompany Vundarangy Bungy, and requests that the Collectors of the five Districts through which the pilgrim will pass may be authorized to afford the aid of 2 Sebundy & 4 peons".

2. The Govt have no objection to grant the leave asked for, though they would have supposed that a shorter period wd have sufficed. The donation recommended, however, is one on an excessive scale. They cannot ~~consent to~~ allow a larger sum than Rs 2000, which will be for travelling expenses of all kinds; & the ceremonies being left to Vundarangé to arrange himself to dispose. In regard to the requisition for Bullocks and Pens, the Govt will not comply with it, any more than with the suggestion that coolies in the Collectorate should be employed instead of Bullocks.

Govt Letter No 1200 Dated 31st August 1857.

Govt Letter No. 360 Dated 5th Sept 1857.

3. Brijbhookun Dayaram will be careful to select thoroughly trustworthy people for Vundarangé's escort. The records of this office will acquit him both of individual & official misconduct. He bears an unimpeachably high character. The Collector of Ratnagiri, to whom a very high opinion of him, while in the execution of the enhancement in his stipend in 1857 is in the contemplation of the Govt in Political Department.

Dated 10-11-57.

Districts from which Pilgrims will pass to & fro between their homes & Pundharpoor will be addressed by the Collectors of Ahmednuggur, Poona, Sattara, Sholapoor & Belgaum, & the Subordinate Officers will be instructed to afford Vundarangé on his journey. The roads between Vellye & Tirpetty and Katpadi & Trichinopoly are well frequented, & consequently will be found to afford suitable halting places & every accommodation for the

ceremonies and to King into Consideration
the reduced Allowance he has been
put on since December 1850 from
500 Rupees a Month to 300 Rupees
May it be necessary that the Sum of
Rupees 3100 may be allowed him
for the performance of the Ceremonies
in question, as well as the Expences
of his travelling.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

Vellore
Stipend Pay Office
4th November 1857

Regan Brigadier
Commanding Vellore

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George.

Recd. 7th Nov. 1857

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The fact that under
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Shanghai had better be
dispensed — The Offic. Commanding
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