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Government of Madras.

Political **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	340	Press Mis
Dated	25.5.1858	

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 25th May 1858.

No. 38. From H. L. ANDERSON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Bombay; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th May, No. 1072 of 1858.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 8th January last, No. 13, requesting certain information relative to the right of Wives and Widows in Maharatta families, of regal or noble rank, to income as provisions during and after coverture, and to transmit to you the accompanying copy of one from the Acting Agent for Sirdars in the Deccan, dated the 6th April last, No. 28, on this subject.

2. References have been made to the Revenue Commissioner for alienations, and the Political Agent, Southern Maratha Country, on receipt of whose replies, copies will be duly forwarded.

From C. M. HARRISON, Esq., Acting Agent for Sirdars; to H. L. ANDERSON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Bombay, dated 6th April 1858, No. 28 of 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 201 of the 25th January last, with accompaniment, and, as result of inquiry I have made on the subject, to submit the following replies to the queries therein contained.

A. The eldest Wife by priority of Nuptials, of a Maharatta (Sudra) of regal or noble rank, has no right to a large income than his other Wives as provision during coverture.

B. When a man of the foregoing class dies, leaving more than one Widow and no Sons, and is succeeded in his Estates by the male next of kin, the claim of the eldest Widow to a higher rate of income, supposing her to have been on an equality with the other Wives during coverture, would *not* be sustainable.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, No. 340; dated 25th May 1858.

Ordered to lie over pending the receipt of the further replies to be furnished.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

No. 340.

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From the Secretary to the
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relative to the right of widows
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rank, to income as provi-
sions during and after
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of one from the acting
Agent for Sardars in the
Deccan on the subject, and
promises further infor-
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to hand.

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