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Government of Madras.

Political **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	621	Press Mis.
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No. 19. Read the following letter from GHOOLAM HUSSAIN MOOSA RAZA, and 2 others; to T. PYCROFT Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 26th August 1859.

We the undersigned Carnatic Stipendiaries beg most respectfully to forward herewith a Petition to the address of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, which it is earnestly solicited you will be pleased to lay before the Council Board.

Dated 4th May 1859.

This Petition is the copy of the one we have sent to the Government Agent on the 9th April 1859, with certain enclosures for submission to Government, and which he has declined to do in his Memorandum (herewith appended), and that he did neither return the Petition to us.

We extremely regret, that the Agent would not have declined to forward the Petition to Government if he had with a little patience taken into consideration that our overstaying beyond our leave was occasioned by circumstances quite unforeseen and over which human nature has no control, and that our case being analogous to that of Sirdar Jung Bahadoor and Thoorab Ally Khan Bahadoor, merits the same indulgent consideration as theirs; in which they were granted the arrears of their stipend for the period they had overstayed their leave by order of the late Honorable the Court of Directors, dated 30th August 1858, conveyed to them in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 21st October 1858, No. 692.

It is urged by the Agent in his Memorandum alluded to, that our stipends were stopped in pursuance of the 6th Leave Rule, sanctioned by Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 37, dated 16th August 1850, and in regard to which, we have to observe that there is also a provision made in the latter part of the Notice issued by the Circar Officers, under date the 5th February 1852, and which was enclosed in our Petition sent to the Agent, that the arrears of stipend shall be granted for a period beyond leave, not exceeding 6 months. It is deplorable indeed that notwithstanding our overstay having been only 5 months we were most unmercifully excluded from the benefit of the latter part of the Notice.

By eliciting these facts, which is only a brief recapitulation of what has been urged in our Petition, it is earnestly hoped that the Government would bestow a merciful consideration upon our case and render justice to us.

To the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES TREVELYAN, K. C. B., Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated 26th April 1859, No. 3298.

The humble Petitions of Ghoolam Hussain Moosa Raza, Gahliboon Nissa Begum and Nasuba Kanum, Carnatic stipendiaries.

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

1. That your Petitioners beg to submit their extremely hard case connected with the forfeiture of the arrears of their stipends during the period they had overstayed their leave for your favorable consideration.

2. That your Petitioners having obtained leave of absence from Government proceeded on pilgrimage to the sacred places in Arabia, and returned thence to Madras with Sirdar Jung Bahadoor and Thoorab Ally Khan Bahadoor on the 6th July 1852, having overstayed the leave by 5 months, occasioned by the interruption of the navigation of the river Tigris and by their being obliged to wait the transmission of funds from India and other circumstances over which human nature has no control—certificates to which effect has been felt unnecessary to be obtained by your Petitioners from the Political Agent there, as the two principal heads of the mob, *viz.*, Sirdar Jung Bahadoor and Thoorab Ally Khan Bahadoor had obtained the same. Your Petitioners therefore have thought that they having come together with the said gentlemen, the cause that might be attributed to their delay might as well be applicable to the rest of the assembly that followed them.

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3. That the said Sirdar Jung Bahadoor and Thoorab Ally Khan Bahadoor, after their return to Madras, made several efforts to obtain the arrears for the period overstayed; and they having met with ill-success by the rejection of their claim in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 10th August and 21st and 28th September 1852, as well as the Orders of the Honorable Court, dated 31st October 1853. Your Petitioners who were placed entirely under the same position as the above two gentlemen, thought it advisable to abstain from any attempt on their part for the restoration of their respective arrears, until such time as the result of their claim of the said gentlemen be finally known.

4. That as the said two gentlemen have now by their further Memorial to the Honorable Court and at the recommendation of this Government been granted their arrears in the Order of the Honorable Court, dated 30th August 1858, conveyed to them in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 21st October 1858, No. 692. Your Petitioners indulge a hope that their case would also receive the same liberal consideration as that of the above gentlemen.

5. That your Petitioners have besides to urge in behalf of their present claim that the Government Agent had granted, about the same period as that of your Petitioners arrival, arrears to Nooroodood-deen Ally Khan and Ahmed Hoossain, &c., for the period they had overstayed their leave notwithstanding there existing no stronger reasons for their overstay while they had to return from countries quite close to Madras. Your Petitioners believe that the conduct of the Agent in the case of these individuals is justifiable as it is consistent to the notice issued by the Circar Officers, dated 5th February 1852, to each of the stipendiaries, which your Petitioners beg herewith to enclose—as in the latter part of it, it is stated.—"*That it is necessary that those who had proceeded on journey on leave of absence should be present at Madras within the expiration of their leave and no further extention of leave will be granted to them; if they do not come within that time, their pension should be suspended from the date of the expiration of their leave and such suspended arrears will not be given for a period more than 6 months;*" but your Petitioners regret that their arrears have not been paid though their overstayed period is within 6 months.

6. That your Petitioners are persons drawing small stipends, and as such, the Government is aware, that your Petitioners and families have nothing else to depend upon but the stipends which the British Government were generously pleased to confer on them; therefore any forfeiture or stoppage in the bounty of Government, subject your Petitioners and their families to serious inconveniences and ultimately leads them to utter ruin and beggery.

7. That in conclusion your Petitioners earnestly hope that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will, after bestowing a benevolent consideration to the foregoing circumstances, grant your Petitioners the arrears claimed for.

For which act of kindness your Petitioners shall as in duty bound. Ever pray.

(Signed) GOOLAM HUSSAIN MOOSA RAZA.
(„) GAHLIBOON NISSA BEGUM.
(„) NASUBA KANUM.

No. 1840 OF 1859.

Petitioners were absent without leave from 29th November 1851 to 5th, 6th and 8th July 1852. Consequently in pursuance to 6th Leave Rule, sanctioned by Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 37, dated 16th August 1850, their respective stipends ceased from date of expiration till their return.' The Agency therefore cannot submit their Petition to Government.

GOVERNMENT AGENT'S OFFICE,
4th May 1859.

(Signed) P. T. SNOW, Major,
Assistant Government Agent.

No. 3298 OF 1859.

Forwarded to the Chepauk Agent, with reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 571, dated 30th ultimo.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
6th October 1859.

(By order.)

(Signed) L. FORBES,
Deputy Secretary to Govt.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department, from 22nd to 31st October 1859.

No. 20. From Major P. T. SNOW, Assistant Government Agent at Chepauk; to T. PYCROFT Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 11th October 1859, No. 1526.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 571, dated 30th ultimo, and endorsement dated 6th instant, on the joint Petition* No. 3298 from Gholam Hussun Moosan Ruzan, Ghalib-oon Nissa Begum and Nusseeba Khanum, I have the honor to report to the Honorable the Governor in Council, that Toorab Ally Khan, a relative of the Petitioners, and husband of Ghalib-oon Nissa Begum, and also other parties who accompained the Petitioner's, declare that they were prevented from returning to India on the expiration of their leave, by the same causes which delayed the return of Sirdar Jung, and Toorab Ally Khan; and further that they came over from Baghdad to Bombay in the same vessel.

* *Herewith returned.*

2. With reference to the above, I have the honor to submit that there being no contradictory evidence procurable, I am induced to accept that, given by Toorab Ally Khan.

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, 24th October 1859, No. 621.

1. In 1847, the Petitioners and other Carnatic Stipendiaries obtained leave of absence to proceed to Arabia. They overstayed their leave and, by consequence, forfeited their stipends from the date of expiration of leave to that of return, or for about 7 months.

2. On their return in July 1852, two of the party, Turab Ali Khán and Sardár Jang Bahádoor, petitioned, for reasons given, that the arrears withheld might be granted them—but the Government declined to set aside the existing rules and the Honorable Court upheld this decision.

3. Subsequently, however, a certificate from the Political Resident at Bagdad was produced, confirming the statement of the Petitioners that their detention was occasioned by an interruption in the navigation of the Tigris and by other unavoidable causes. In view of this, and on the recommendation of this Government the Honorable Court sanctioned the payment of the forefeited portion of their stipends.

4. The present Petitioners, three in number, now assert that, as they accompanied the two persons above named, and were detained by the same causes, they are entitled to the same consideration. Turab Ali Khán, it appears, is husband of one of the Petitioners and related to the others. He and the rest of the party support the story now put forward and declare that Petitioners and themselves returned to Bombay in the same vessel.

5. This being the case, and as the indulgence has already been conceded to others, the Government will not insist upon a strict enforcement of the rules in the Petitioner's case.

6. The Chepauk Agent will pass to the Petitioners the arrears withheld, reporting for formal sanction the amount thus ordered to be disbursed.

7. Petitioners will be informed that the Chepauk Agent has received instructions upon the subject of their petitions.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. W. J. Boyton.

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[illegible] and 2 others
} Here enter No and [illegible] of 1859.

[illegible] Supt Agent
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} dated 23rd Septr No 1473. of 1859.

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Gholam Hussain Bissa
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} Here enter 26 Augt No 3298 of 1859

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dated 11th Octr No 1526. of 1859.

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To Civil Audtr
To Chepāk Agent -
To Petrs Gookun Mookerjee Moosa Raza & 2 others -

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