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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
19th April 1871.*

No. 72. Read the following letter from J. B. SPEDDING, Esq., Acting Senior Assistant Magistrate in charge, to the Acting Magistrate, Ganjam, dated Chicacole, 23rd March 1871, No. 49:—

I have the honour to report that the festivals of Sivaratri and Dolayatra at Mokalingam and Strikurmam, respectively, passed off satisfactorily. The former festival took place on the 17th, 18th, and 19th February (the last of which was the most important day), and the latter on the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th March. The sanitary arrangements laid down by the Sanitary Commissioner were, as far as possible, carried out. The arrangements at Mokalingam were conducted under the superintendence of the Sub-Magistrate of Purla Kimeddy, and those at Strikurmam under that of the Tahsildar of Chicacole. The Hospital Assistant attached to this office was present at Mokalingam, and the Honorary Assistant Surgeon, Mr. Gillespie, at Strikurmam, during the days of the festival. Neither any sickness nor any crime was reported at either place.

2. The number of pilgrims at Mokalingam was roughly estimated at 12,000, and that at Strikurmam at 8,000, against 15,000 and 20,000 last year. The latter number is comparatively very small.

3. In consequence of the small-pox that was raging at Strikurmam, I had issued orders to the neighbouring Sub-Magistrates of both this and the Vizagapatam District to warn the people against going to Strikurmam. Owing to this, as well as to the circumstance of several pilgrims from distant parts of the country having resorted to the place so recently as in January for what is called "Ashtatirtum" (bathing in eight sacred waters) which falls at intervals of ten, twenty, or thirty years, the number was very small. No "revised lists" alluded to in paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, dated 13th February 1871, No. 679, have been received in this office.

4. The cost incurred for the carrying out of the sanitary arrangements was Rupees 26-12-0 at Mokalingam and Rupees 37-6-8 at Strikurmam.

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No. 371.

Copy forwarded for the information of Government. Sanction is requested for the cost, Rupees 26-12-0 at Mokalingam and Rupees 37-6-8 at Strikurmam, incurred for carrying out the sanitary arrangements.

BERHAMPORE,
3rd April 1871.

(Signed) F. C. CARR,
Acting Magistrate of Ganjam.

No. 73. ORDER THEREON, 19th April 1871, No. 504.

Sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Magistrate of Ganjam.

.. Sanitary Commissioner.

.. Accountant-General.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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To

THE ACTING MAGISTRATE of GANJAM.
&c., &c., &c.

Date of 118713

To

From

118713 No. April 1871, No. 604.

APRIL.

Nos. 72-73.

Sanctioning the expenditure incurred on account
of the sanitary arrangements made at Melalingam
and Strikunnam on the occasion of the festivals of
Sivaratni and Dolayatra, respectively.

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Chennai 23 March 1911

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To Mr. C. S. Srinivas

Acting Magistrate of
Salem

I have the honor to report that
the festival of Sivaratna and Delaya
was at Madhalingam and Sri Kurnam
respectively passed off satisfactorily.
The former festival took place on the
17th, 18th and 19th February (the last of
which was the most important day),
and the latter on the 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th
March. The sanitary arrangements
laid down by the Sanitary Commission
were as far as possible carried out. The
arrangements at Madhalingam were
conducted under the supervision
of the Sub Magistrate of Parlatinny,
and those at Sri Kurnam under that
of the Sub Magistrate of Chennai. The District
Inspector attached to this office
was present at Madhalingam and the
Honorary Asst Surgeon Mr. Sankar
at Sri Kurnam during the days of festival.
Neither any sickness nor any crime
was reported at either place.

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The number of Pilgrims at Inokalingam was roughly estimated at 12000, and that at Strickurman at 8000 against 15000, and 20,000 last year. The latter number is comparatively very small.

In consequence of the trouble that was paying at Strickurman I had issued orders to the neighbouring Sub Magistrates of both the Vizagapatam District to warn the people against going to Strickurman. Owing to this as well as to the circumstance of several pilgrims from distant parts of the Country having resorted to the place so recently as in January for what is called "Ashla tirtum" (Bathing in eight sacred waters) which falls at intervals of 10, 20, or 30 years, the number was very small. No "revised lists" alluded to in paras. Boards Proceedings dated 13 February 1871. Byg have been received in this office.

The cost incurred for the carrying out of the Sanitary arrangements was Rs 26-12-0 at Inokalingam

lingam and Rs 37-6-8 at Strickurman.

I have &c &c &c
Signed J. B. Spedding.
Acting Secy to the Secy to the Govt.
In charge.

Copy forwarded for the information of Government.
Exemption is requested for the cost of Rs 26-12-0 at Inokalingam and Rs 37-6-8 at Strickurman - incurred for carrying out the Sanitary arrangements.

Camp Bethampore } F.C. Can.
3rd April 1871-8 } Acty Magistrate.
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19 April

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Sanctioning the expenditure,
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at Mahalingam Whitta-
mum, on the occasion of
the festivals of Sivaratri
& Dolayatra, respectively.