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*Principal Assistant Collector  
Ganjam appointed a Protector  
of laborers.*

READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED 24  
1890 No. 729 MISCELLANEOUS.

ENCLOSURE.

CURRENT No. 2108

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Madras 17 July 1890  
From  
To  
The Chief Secretary  
to the Government of Madras

Sir  
We are informed by our Agent  
at Calingapatam that Government has  
refused to allow the Principal Assistant Collector  
at Chucacole the power to register coolie  
emigrants for Assam, and we have the  
honor to request that Government will reconsider  
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Mauritius.

We have the honor to be,  
Sir  
Your most obed<sup>t</sup> servants,  
A. M. S. S. S.

Notification of 27 April 1887, No. 192

Under the provisions of Section 28 of the Indian  
Emigration Act (XXI of 1883), the Right Honble  
the Governor in Council hereby appoints all  
District & Subdivisional Magistrates to perform  
the functions of registering officers under the  
aforesaid Act within the districts or subdivisions  
of which they are in charge.

For orders

The following officers have been appointed Protectors of Labourers in Gaujam —

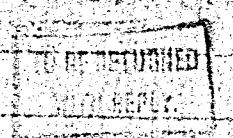
| Officers                          | Head-Quarters. | Port of Substation |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Collector                         | Chhatapur.     | Gopalpur           |
| Treasury Dy Collector             | do             | do                 |
| Senior Ass <sup>t</sup> Collector | Berhaupur.     | do                 |

The Collector was appointed for the sake of "appearance and to give him control and power under the Act (V. of 1866). The Senior Assistant was ordinarily to do the work and the Treasury Dy Collector to do it in his absence on tour; or both were to do it, one at Berhaupur and the other at Chhatapur.

The Port Officer Gopalpur was not appointed, as it was considered that the business ought to be, at the starting at least, in the hands of the regular

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13 August 1890  
Referred to the Collector of Gaujam for favour of his opinion.

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Warrant Officer  
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Dated 14<sup>th</sup>  
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Enc. to letter from the  
Collector of Gaujam No 95  
of 27. 8. 90

13-6-90

Requesting to allow

the Principal Assistant Collector at Chhatapur the power to register Coaly Duggers for Assam

regular executive of the district.  
(G.O. 55 A. dated 29-1-90.)

At the end of February 1890 Mr  
Horsfall represented that it was difficult  
for the coolies of the South of the district  
to come to Berhampur or Chahapur -  
a distance of 110 miles for registration?  
and recommended that the Principal  
Assistant Collector should be appointed  
Protector for the Sub-division; but it was  
thought undesirable to do so, as the coolies  
registered by him would have to embark  
at Caluigapatam or Barwa and there  
was no officer <sup>he trusted to</sup> who could see to the  
embarkation arrangements there. All  
coolies have therefore to embark at present  
from Kopalpur. (G.O. 229 of 24-8-90)

The <sup>total</sup> number of passengers that  
embarked, in 1888-89, was from  
Kopalpur 4409, and from Caluigapatam  
4845. The present Port Conservator  
at Caluigapatam is one Mr. L. S. Disley  
and draws Rs 70 for Sea Customs and  
Rs 65 for Conservancy work. <sup>His</sup>  
The presumption that he can't  
be trusted is supported by  
have been founded on his small  
pay. I might not know Johnson's  
opinion as he obtained it. <sup>See</sup>  
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85-3-90

Public  
Registration of  
coolies for  
Assam.  
Ref on C No 2138 of 1890

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13 August 1890

Referred to the  
Collector of Ganjam  
for <sup>from order</sup> ~~for~~ <sup>of his</sup> ~~opinion~~

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To the Collector of Ganjam  
in reply Current } Dated 13/8

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E. No. 95

Ganjam Collectors Office  
Camp Aska 29 August 1890

From  
E. C. Johnson Esquire  
Collector  
Ganjam.

To.  
The Chief Secretary to Government  
Public Department  
Madras.

Sir,  
In respect of the enclosed petition referred  
for my opinion with your endorsement, dated the 13<sup>th</sup> inst.,  
I have the honor to state that when my predecessor, Mr.  
Horsfall, in his letter No. 1713, dated 27<sup>th</sup> February 1890,  
suggested the appointment of the Principal Assistant  
Collector as a Protector of Laborers, Government in G.O.  
No. 229 of March 24<sup>th</sup> declined to make the appointment  
on the ground that at Caluigapatam and Barwa,  
where emigrants registered by him would embark,  
there were no officers who could see to the embarkation  
arrangements.

2. I am of opinion that this order was based  
on good and substantial grounds. Even at Kopalpur  
where there is a proper Port Office, armed with the  
powers of a Special Magistrate to supervise cooly  
embarkation, <sup>General irregularities in the cooly</sup> ~~traffic~~ <sup>have lately</sup> attracted my attention; and  
several recruiters, and others improperly acting  
as recruiters have been convicted and punished.  
At Barwa and Caluigapatam there would be  
a much wider opening for such irregularities,  
and much less chance of their being detected.

3. As to what Messrs. Arbuthnot say about  
emigration being a boon to the district, I think  
that its being so is very questionable. Employment  
on the various works of the Rushikulya Project,  
is available for an almost unlimited number  
of laborers, who can realize on an average Rs 8

Rs. 8 per month. In my opinion it is not the  
rate of pay (Rs. 5 per mensem for men and Rs. 4 for  
women) offered to intending emigrants to  
Assam that attracts, but the bribe of a small sum  
in hand offered by the recruiters; and I consider  
that, as far as the District is concerned, it would  
be far better for them to remain in it.

4 I cannot recommend that the Principal  
Assistant Collector be authorized to register Coolies  
for Assam. The emigrants to Mauritius are of  
quite a different class; and as the Principal  
Assistant Collector is already empowered to  
register such, no change need be made in that  
respect.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

H. P. Munn  
Collector.

Public Cal<sup>o</sup> 2597

For order, with reference  
to the Hon. Mr. Justice  
remarks of 10-2-90.  
9/9  
C, 10/24/90

From  
The Collector  
Gaujam

To  
The Chief Secretary  
to Govt. Public Dept.  
Calcutta

Camp Waker 29 August 1890

2/25/95. Recd. 24 SEP 90  
SECRETARY  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES

Cal<sup>o</sup> 2138 sub<sup>o</sup>

Returning the petition  
of Messrs. Arbutnot & Co. Madras  
and stating that he cannot  
recommend that the Principal  
Assistant Collector be author-  
ized to visit the Colliery for the

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I think it might be allowed.  
The voyage was a very short  
one.

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10/11/90  
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Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 24 March 1890, No. 229.

Again G.O., dated 18, No.

Current No. 2138 of 1890, dated 17 July from

Messrs. Arbutnot & Co.

Current No. 2597 of 1890, dated 29 Aug<sup>o</sup> from

The collector of Gaujam.

Order of 13 Oct 90 No 680.

The Govt. do not agree  
with the view taken by  
the collector, and, on  
reconsideration of G.O.  
No. 229, dated 24 March  
90, resolve to appoint  
the Principal Assistant  
Collector to be a Protector  
of laborers for the District  
of Gaujam under Section  
3 of Act V of 1866.

(From orders).

To the coll<sup>r</sup> of Gaujam  
" Presy Port Offr  
Messrs Arbutnot & Co.

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appointed Protector of Labourers.

From order.

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G.O., No. 680, 13 October 1890.

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GOVERNOR OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

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READ—also the following papers:—

From Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co. to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 17th July 1890.

We are informed by our agent at Calicut that Government has refused to allow the Principal Assistant Collector at Chicacole the power to register coolie emigrants for Assam, and we have the honour to request that Government will reconsider this matter as the present conditions are very hard on would-be emigrants, besides being productive of some loss to our Calicut steamer agency. Our agent writes as follows:—

"As Calicut is known to be a dangerous port to embark from and this port is much better adapted for the shipment of emigrants, Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. may be able to move the Government of Madras to afford facilities for registration and shipment of emigrants from here.

"The district in this neighbourhood has considerable population of very poor labourers, who cannot find work for six months in the year, and being too poor to pay the passage to Rangoon or elsewhere in search of work have to live in a state of semi-starvation. It would be a great boon to the poor if Government would facilitate their emigrating to Assam instead of placing obstacles in the way of their doing so.

It seems strange that the Principal Assistant Collector at Chicacole should have the power to register emigrants for the Mauritius and not for Assam, and it is hard on intending emigrants that they should have to pass a port near at hand (Calicut) and march over 100 miles before they can embark, and taking everything into consideration we trust Government will see the propriety of allowing the Principal Assistant Collector at Chicacole the power to register emigrants for Assam as well as for the Mauritius.

Referred to the Collector of Ganjam for favour of his opinion.

13th August 1890.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,  
Chief Secretary.

From E. C. JOHNSON, Esq., Collector of Ganjam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Camp Aska, 9th August 1890, No. 95-E.

In respect of the enclosed petition referred for my opinion with your endorsement, dated the 13th instant, I have the honour to state that when my predecessor, Mr. Horsfall, in his letter No. 1713, dated 7th February 1890, suggested the appointment of the Principal Assistant Collector as a Protector of Labourers, Government in G.O., No. 229 of 24th March, declined to make the appointment on the ground that at Calicut and Barwah, where emigrants registered by him would embark, there were no officers who could see to the embarkation arrangements.

2. I am of opinion that this order was given on good and substantial grounds at Calicut, where there is a proper local Magistrate to supervise coolie embarkation. Irregularities in the coolie trade have lately attracted my attention, and I am of opinion that Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. are acting as recruiters have been conducted. At Barwah and Calicut there would be a much wider opportunity of such irregularities and much less chance of their being detected.

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ORDER—No. 680, Public, dated 13th October.

The Government does not agree with the order taken by the Collector, and, on reconsideration of G.O., No. 229, dated 24th March 1890, resolves to appoint the Principal Assistant Collector to be a Protector of Labourers for the district of Ganjam under section 3 of Act V of 1866.

(True Ex)

J. F. PRICE,  
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Ganjam.  
" the Presidency Port Officer.  
" Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co.

Ed. A. D. Xavier.

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