

(1) பக்கங்களின் எண்ணிக்கை 11-11

(2) புதுக்கித் திருப்பிய நாள்

(3) ஆதாரக் குறிப்பவர் சுருக்கொப்பம்

தமிழ்நாடு ஆவணக் காப்பகம்.

தமிழ்நாடு அரசு

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மு. கோப்புத் தாள் எண்,	பலவகை
நாள் : <u>19-1-1892</u>	<u>1892</u>

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Public DEPARTMENT.
G.O., DATED 19-1-92
No. 40.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Resolving to comply
with request of custom
inhabitants of Arriville
putting a request that
proper persons may be
appointed to the Committee
of the Natchiorkof de
arrangement & that
the Committee be sta-
tioned at Arriville.

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PETITION

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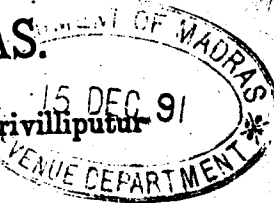
The SECRETARY

Government of Madras

MADRAS.

to the

undersigned inhabitants of Srivilliputur District.



The humble memorial of the
and its adjoining villages, in Tinnevelly
May it please your excellency.

temples in the District, the Nachiarkoil
many huge temples, mantapams, a high
shed to it.

1. That of all the Vishnu
Devasthanam is the largest, containing
tower and many splendid buildings attached
of Rs- 25000, besides jewels, Vahanams,
elephant and a huge and splendid car &c

2. That it has an annual income
vessels, Parivatams [silk cloths] &c
moveable property worth Rs- 20000
established at Tinnevelly to manage the

3. That there is a committee
affairs of the above Devasthanam.
of the managing committee is 60 miles off
Devasthanam.

4. That Tinnevelly, the seat
from Srivilliputur the seat of the said
the great distance between the Devastha-
the members thereof being in different
temple are very badly and unsatisfactorily

5. That, in consequence of
nam and the seat of the committee at
Talucs of the District, the affairs of the
conducted and the Devasthanam itself
losses as shewn below.
is subjected to unnecessary expenses and
much landed property, many tanks, canals,
When the heavy rains set in, tanks are
canals damaged, and buildings tumbled

6. That the Devasthanam owns
large topes, and numerous buildings.
breached, lands submerged under water
down.
taken towards remedying such evils, by
were the residents of Srivilliputur and
committee is at Tinnevelly and each of its

7. That proper measures
the members of the committee if they
its adjacent villages.
places which are 30 or 40 miles apart
take necessary steps to sanction the
members being present

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amount as reported by trustee, takes place, after so long a time, that damages which can be repaired at a cost of Rupees 10 as soon as they occur, require Rupees 100, nay even 1000 and thus the temple incurs a heavy and unnecessary loss, thus affording a good example for the proverb 'A stitch in time saves nine'.

8. That the postage alone to report the temple affairs to the committee amounts to Rs 100 per year.

9. That besides, the members of the committee set apart Rs 300 every year for the cost of the establishment of the committee which is really an unnecessary loss to the temple.

10. That the members of the committee come here from Tinnevely and other places on the grounds that they have come for inspection and enquiry. They spend much for their trainage bandyhire and other expenses and pass such proceedings as would enable them to take the amount from the temple funds. And on what authority they do so is unknown.

11. When they come here on festival occasions do they bring a single pie for their expenses such as bandy hire boarding &c? No. Certainly not. Is there any other way to meet the expenses with but from the temple funds. Though these are all private affairs we cannot but express these things considering the unnecessary and unlawful expenses that the temple is forced to undergo.

12. That as the seat of the committee is far away from the Devasthanam it is quite difficult for them to become aware of the arbitrary expenses, misappropriation of the temple funds, and such other irregularities as may be committed by the trustees and managers. This is another source of loss to the temple.

13. After mature and deep consideration on such evils, the Government has very wisely legislated by Act XX of 1863, separate committees and trustees for every temple and established them at the seats of those temples. This has been observed in all other Districts.

14. That since, a Zillah Committee has been established in this District alone in contravention of the above mentioned Act, there are many reasons for the losses, to which this Devasthanam is subjected to, as shewn above from paras 6.

15. That the humble petitioners fervently pray

3 to protect these poor subjects by reference to the above Devasthanam,

that the Government will be gracious enough to make the above said irregularities with the humble memorialists (1) that proper which is the chief source of felicity both in this world and in the next, and to make the following arrangements as requested by the managing committee and (2) that persons qualified by wealth, high rank, character itself; so that this charitable institution be appointed as trustees and as members exist and continue for ever:—a favour the committee may be stationed at Srivilliputhur duty bound, ever pray. tutation existing from time immemorial may for which the humble memorialists shall, as

2nd December 1891 }
Srivilliputhur }

N. B. :—

We also humbly inform your Honour of another most necessary and important fact in order to prove the above statement. The Government has plainly expressed an opinion for the benefit of the Devasthanam that the seat of the Committee members should be established in each Devasthanam of every Taluk. Whereas all the Vishnu Temple Committee members of Tinnevely District have written a contrary opinion for the sake of their own benefit and convenience. Their opinion of this form is quite against the interest and benefit of the temples. We, therefore, humbly entreat your honour to overlook their opinion and to order that the seat of Committee members should be located separately in that place wherever the Devasthanam is situated and thus to protect us the humble memorialists.

[Handwritten signatures in Tamil script]

[Handwritten signatures in English script]
Tinnevely
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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

ABSTRACT.

Current Number 10141

*From The Inhabitants of
Srivellipattur
& its adjoining villages
Tinnevely Dt*

Dated 2 December 1891

Received 15 —

Enclosures

No.

SUBJECT.

*Same as current
No. 10146.*

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Current Number 3788A
10/46

From The Inhabitants
of Srivilliputhur
and its adjoining
villages
Tinnevely dt

Dated 2 December 91

Received 16

Enclosures

SECRETARY
23 DEC 91
REVENUE

No.

SUBJECT.

Praying that a temple
Committee may be
stationed at Srivilli-
-puthur itself for the
management of the
Nachiarcoil Swast
selecting persons
of wealth rank and
reputation to the Committee.

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15. That under these circumstances the humble petitioners fervently pray

No 5

Forwarded to the Government
of Madras for disposal.

By Order,

Home Department.

(Public) ^{vi}
Calcutta, 10th January
1892

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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From
The Govt of India,
Home Dept.

2 Currents

Order 19 Jan 92 N 40

In the present state
of the law the petition-
ers' request cannot be
complied with.

2. a copy of the petitions
will be forwarded to the
Committee on the Hindu
Religious Institutions
Draft Bill.

/ From orders

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only para 1 for Petrs

No. 5
Dated 4th
Recd 29th } Jan 1892
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Forwarding a petition from
certain inhabitants of Sivilliputur
& its adjoining villages in the Tinnevely
Dist re: temple management.

Petitioners, para 1
The Hon. Secy to the Govt.
Forwarded to the Hon. Secy to the Govt.
Draft Bill
28 JAN 92
IN MS

WITH ORDER

that the Government will be gracious enough to protect these poor subjects by remedying the above said irregularities with reference to the above Devasthanam, which is the chief source of felicity both in this world and in the next, and to make the following arrangements as requested by the humble memorialists (1) that proper persons qualified by wealth, high rank, charitable disposition and heavenly piety may be appointed as trustees and as members of the managing committee and (2) that the committee may be stationed at Srivilliputhur itself; so that this charitable institution existing from time immemorial may exist and continue for ever:—a favour for which the humble memorialists shall, as their duty bound, ever pray.

2nd December 1891

Srivilliputur

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With refce. to the Hon:
Mr. Stokes' query of the
8th inst.

Section 7, act ~~xx~~ of
1863, directs that the local
Govt: "shall once for all
appoint one or more com-
mittees in every division
or district."

Action under this Section
for the Trinnevely District
was taken in G.O. dt 1.4.64,
No. 535. Rev. and the request
of the Petitioners that a
separate Committee for this
particular Devasthanam
shd. be appointed cannot
therefore be complied with.
Accordingly the paper was
transferred by the Revenue
Dept. and it is proposed to
send it on to the Committee
now engaged in drafting
a Revised Bill for their
consideration in view of
provision being made to
meet such cases should
the Committee deem it
desirable. Sd 14 Jan 64

As an alternative
proposal, it is suggested
that the Petition be
referred to the