

Bangalore,
8th July 1892.

No. 234.

From

Dr E. Hultsch,

Government Epigraphist,



To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to G. O., dated 30th June 1892, No. 451, Public, I have the honour to submit a copy of a letter which I, while on privilege leave, had directed my First Assistant to write to the Collector of Salem regarding the same supposed inscriptions, and to state that I fully share the opinion expressed in that letter and that, therefore, a personal inspection of the originals appears unnecessary.

2. I beg to return the drawings enclosed in the letter of the Collector of Salem.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

E. Hultsch,
Epigraphist.

Enclosure.

No. 140.

Bangalore,
13th April 1892.

From

M. R. Ry. V. Venkayya, M. A.,

Joint Assistant to the Government Epigraphist,

To

G. Stokes, Esq.

Collector of Salem.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. $\frac{53}{301}$ dated 5th April 1892, and the Epigraphist's endorsement thereon, No. 142, dated the 9th April 1892, I have the honour to state that the two inscriptions referred to therein do not contain any writing, but consist merely of symbols. The third figure on the bottom line of No. 1. is a representation of the trident of Shiva, the second on the top line seems to be some modification of the "iron grating worn on the neck by a certain class of Hindu devotees as

as a mode of self-torture" (Tamil Arigandam
அரிக்கை). The third figure of the top and
the first on the bottom line seem to represent
hooks. The symbol on the right side between
the top and the bottom lines seems to stand
for a base. I am not able to make out
the other symbols from the drawings supplied

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

your most obedient servant,

(Signed) V. Venkayya,

First Assistant to the
Government Epigraphist.

(True copy) E. Hultsch,

Epigraphist.

Bangalore, }
8th July 1892. }

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From

Dr. E. H. H. H. H.

Govt. Epigraphist

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tracings returned - to
the Board of Revenue
with refce to its Pros:
of the 18th June last,
No. 614 Ellis. & p. 1/2

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No. 234

Dated 8th }
Received 9th } July 92
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SUBJECT.

Stating that he fully shares the
opinion expressed in that letter to
the Colls of Salem by his first Ad-
re. the said inscriptions & that a
personal inspection is unnecessary.

WITH ORDER

The Board of Rev. with
the tracings

23/7/92
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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED
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<i>Public</i> DEPARTMENT.
G.O., DATED 23-7-92
No. 500.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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ing the inscriptions
found in the Peria
Kulroyan hills -
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