

Public (189⁶) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 1318

DATED 15-12-96

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[Despatch Abstract.]

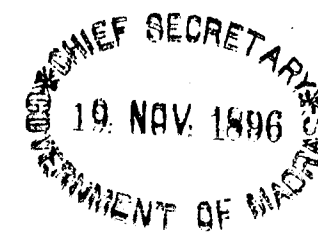
Furnishing the Genl Epigraphist with the copy of G.O. No 175/96 and directing him to arrange for the stampages he requires in connection with the cave impressions near Sultan Battery in direct communication with the Executive Engineer, West Coast Division.

FURTHER PAPERS.

செப்பவருபவர் பெயர்
செப்பவருவதற்காக எடுத்துக்
கொள்ளப்பட்ட நாள்
சுற்றுச்சூழல்
குடியிருப்பவர்
கையொப்பம்

Recd No. 509. 25. 11. 96.
 Encl No. 2456
 Returned to the
 Government Epigraphist
 for favour of further
 remarks after a perusal
 of the papers with G.O.
 A. 1175 Dtd 7. Nov. 1896,
 Order the original of
 which is forwarded here-
 with - to be returned
with these papers.

CURRENT No. 389



From

The Government Epigraphists

No. 420.

Dated 18th November 1896.

Received 19

Registered 22

Enclosures { 1 bundle of papers. (6-)
13 photos sent by book post.

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Re ~~Have~~ inscriptions near
Sultan's Battery.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
7	1147	Pub	28/10/
7	1076	"	16/10/6
	619	"	12/6/96
	623	"	24/7/98
	543	"	3/7/95
	401	"	7/6/94
	488	"	27/6/93
7	1175	"	11/1/98

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Public Department

Chief Secretariat, Madras.

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read the following papers:-

From the Superintending Engineer, 4th Circle,
No 461/W, dated 19th September 1896.

With reference to para 4 of G.O. No 1652 W,
d/22nd June 1896, I have the honor to forward 13 photos
of the inscriptions of Kuppu Mudi Cave at the
Sultan's Battery, Wynnad.

Endorsement of the Public Works department,
No 1444 D, dated 30th September 1896.

Transferred to the Public department,
with reference to endorsement No 3 Public, dated
9th January 1895.

2. Mr. Ken's letter No 437, dated 20th December
1892 and the Executive Engineer's original report
on the subject with tracing are returned herewith.

3. The Superintending Engineer has not
explained why fac-simile impressions have
not been taken by the process indicated by
Mr. Rea.

Order:- R. No 1076, dated 16th October 1896.

Communicated, with reference to the
correspondence ending with G.O. No 619 Sub.

dated 12th June 1896, to the Superintendent,
Archaeological Survey, for any further remarks
he may have to offer.

(True Extract)

(Signed) H. H. Phillips.

for Chief Secretary.

To The Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, (with photos &c.)

Re ^{23/10/96} _{23/10/96} (22) G. H. P. H. B. B.

True copy.

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Superintendent, Archaeological Survey,
(Madras).

Archaeological Survey, (Madras).

Bangalore, 23rd October 1896.

No. 186.

From

A. Redi, Esquire,

Superintendent, Archaeological Survey,
(Madras)

To

The Chief Secretary

to the Government of Madras.

Sir,

With reference to G. O. R. No. 1076, dated
16th October 1896, I have the honour to state that
as the remains are of an inscriptional nature,
I have sent the enclosures to the Government
Epigraphist.

2. Hindu stone monuments seem to
be numerous in the vicinity of these
inscriptions; and, as this circumstance is

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somewhat unusual, it may prove to be of
some importance. Owing to the absence of
inscriptions or architectural features, the
dates assigned to such monuments, are
largely matters of uncertainty and specu-
-lation. But if in this instance, a connection
between the monumental and inscriptional
remains can be proved, it should be pos-
-sible to fix the date of the latter, and inci-
-dentally also that of the former. Any infor-
-mation thus obtained, would be applica-
-ble to the numerous prehistoric remains
in other parts of India.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) A. Redi.

Superintendent.

True copy.

A

Superintendent,

Archaeological Survey, (Madras).

Also a report and two tracings enclosed, 13
photos sent separately.

Endorsement A. No. 187

23-10-1896

Copies with enclosures sent to the Government
Epigraphist. Packet of 13 photographs sent separately
in cover A. No. 188
23-10-1896

A. Redi

Superintendent,
Archaeological Survey, (Madras).

No. 420.

Bangalore,

18th November 1896.

From

CORRESPONDENT

110. 1897

Dr. E. Hultzsch,

Government Epigraphist,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

With reference to the enclosed papers, I have the honour to state that photographs of the cave and inscriptions near Sultan's Battery reached me already at the beginning of this year from Mr. F. Fawcett, Superintendent of Police, Calicut, and that I wrote to him on the 8th February 1896 as follows:—

"The lower inscription is in Sanskrit and reads: Śrī-Vishnuvarmā-kūṭumbīya-kula-vardhahamasya; 'of the propagator of the family of the householder Śrī-Vishnuvarman'. What follows looks like lini, but may be meant for lipi or likhitam

likhitam, 'the writing'. I can not make out the two short inscriptions in the first line."

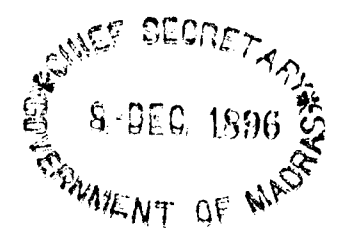
To this I have only to add that the characters of the lower inscription are very archaic, and that inked estampages of the three inscriptions might perhaps enable one to read the whole of them.

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

L. H. H. H.
Epigraphist

Public (1896) Department.

CURRENT No.



Letter to Govt: P. W. Dept.
for favour of counter initials

From The Government Epigraphist

Order No. 1318 of 15-12-96

The Govt: Epigraphist
will be furnished with
a copy of G.O. R. 1175 of
17.11.96. He should
arrange for the estampages
he requires in direct commⁿ
with the Executive Eng^r,
West Coast Division, who
should be supplied with
the paper he ^{needs} requires
for the purpose.

No. 434.

Dated 7th December 1896.

Received & Registered & { 82-96

Enclosures

Spare copies

Pub. C. Nos. 3640/96 and 3588/96
held with enclos.

SUBJECT.

Cave inscriptions near Sultan's
Battery.

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9.12.6.

The Govt Epigraphist
with 2. enclos
2. photos and some
photos of the same

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