

Public (1896) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 460

Dated 10th April 1896

INDEXED.

[Despatch Abstract.]

TREASURE TROVE.

Ordering the Collector of Vizagapatam to acquire, under the Treasure Trove Act, certain coins found in the district for the purpose of distributing to certain museums.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
80	744		15-7-96				
C	3322		1896				

[V. C. P.-1.11.94.-800.]

Re. C. No. 7840 of 96
Dis. No. 396

VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Dated 23rd March 1896.

From

W. H. Willock Esquire,
F. D. A. O. WOLFE-MURRAY Esq.

Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam District.

To

THE HONORABLE J. F. Price,

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT,

MADRAS.

SIR,

I have the honor to solicit orders as to the disposal of certain coins discovered in the Golconda Taluk of this District in 1885 now in the Huzur Treasury.

2. The coins were sent to this office by the Tahsildar of Golconda in December 1885 as having been discovered by one Lokarapu Bermigadu of Chinaboddepalli in that Taluk in a pot lying in the bed of a hill stream feeding the Ramoju Viera-bhadrudder tank in that village. Lokarapu Bermigadu sold the coins for Rs 0-6-6 to one Ramoju Venkataswami of Kodavatipudi in the same Taluk, from whom they were obtained by the Tahsildar. Some how their

DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF VIZAGAPATAM.

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.

Dated

Received

189

Re. C. No.
Dis.

ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

their receipt was overlooked and they were recently found in my Treasury.

3. My Treasury Deputy - Collector sent specimens to the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum, Madras, who referred them to Dr. Hultzsch who identifies them as appertaining to the period of the Eastern Chelukya King Vishnuvardhana II who reigned from A.D. 663 to 672.

The coins are therefore probably of considerable antiquarian value.

4. No notice appears to have been published under Sec. 5 of the Treasure Trove Act (VII of 1878) but there are apparently no claimants as the coins are not current and were found in the bed of a hill stream.

5. I beg also to report that in November last 122 silver coins, weighing about $34\frac{1}{8}$ tolas were found

found in an earthen pot by one Dharmavaram Guravadu while digging a pit in a field belonging to Chittella Subbarua of Chittella Agraharam in the Bimlipatam Taluk. The Superintendent of the Government Museum identifies them as Eddings or punch marked Buddhist coins which are reported to have been in circulation long before the appearance of the die-coinage introduced by the Andhras. These coins are also probably of considerable value. The usual notification under the Treasure Trove Act was published at page 258 part II of the Fort Saint George Gazette dated 3rd March 1896.

6. Specimens of the coins are submitted for the inspection of Government. It seems to me that after the specimens required by the Indian Museum have been selected, the balance might well be sent to England for sale.

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

Ramappa
Collector.

12 coins discovered in gold
12 do do in silver
24 sent in a separate packet

Department.

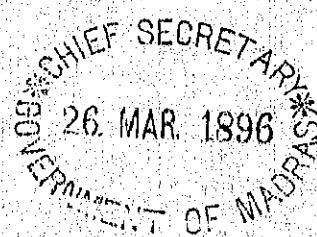
From

The Collector of Visagapatam

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department
Madras.

Dated } 23rd March 1896.
Received }



No. 7840.

Enclosures -

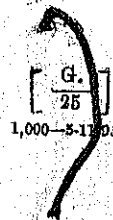
Subject

Soliciting orders as to the disposal of certain coins discovered in the Golyonda and Bimlipatam Taluks of this District.

H.C.

Please pay whether specimen of the coins kept to have been read by you.

Done 27/4/96
27/4/96



Public DEPARTMENT

C. No. 1121

FOR ORDERS.

The Collr of Visagapatam requests orders as to the disposal of certain coins discovered in:
(1) Golyonda Taluk in 1885
(2) Bimlipatam Taluk in 1895

(1). The former were found in the bed of a hill stream by do-
karapu Benigadu who sold them to Ramoju Venkataswami for 6 1/2 annas. The Tahsildar of the coins from the latter sent them to the Collr's office in December 1885. Their receipt was "Somehow overlooked" & they were recently found in the Hoover Treasury.

The Collr says "No notice appears to have been published under 5 of the Treasure Trove Act but there are apparently no claimants as the coins are not current."

They belong, accordingly, to the State.

to the period of the Eastern Chalukya King Vishnuvardhana II (A.D. 663 to 672) & are therefore probably of considerable antiquarian value.

(2) 122 silver coins weighing about $34\frac{1}{2}$ tolas & valued at Rs 34 (vide Gazette No Vth) were found in an earthen pot by Dharmavaram Jinaraju while digging in a field belonging to Chikella Subbama in the Bimlepatam Taluq. D. Thurston identifies them as Eddings or punch marked Buddhist coins used prior to the die-coinage of the Andhra Dynasty. The usual No Vth was published vide p. 258 Part II of Gazette of 3/3/96

Specimens of the coins are submitted for inspection & the Collo suggests that after those reqd by the Indian Museum have been selected the balance may be sent to England for sale.

Attention is invited to

FOR ORDERS.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. H. W. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. J. GROSE, C.I.E.

* under § 16 of the Act

X vide para 2 of the resolution
out. age 2 of No. 156 of 1885
marked with blue chalk

156 of 1885 Pubd 21/11/85 & No. 514 Pubd 11th March 1886 in the file

Para 2 of the former G.O. (156 of 85) Collo has instructed to invariably acquire the whole of such coins as appear to be old & not of British coinage. And when possible the local foot should present one specimen to each of the following institutions mentioned in

- para 2 viz
1. The Madras Central Museum
 2. { The Asiatic Society of Calcutta
 3. { & Bombay
 4. The Indian Museum
 5. The British Museum
 6. The Lahore Museum
 7. The Nasser Museum
 8. Any other museum the foot may select.

It is submitted that, if there are a sufficient number of specimens, this may be done & the surplus sent to the India Office for sale under G.O. No. 514 Publicd 11th March 1896.

The formalities of ^{Sec 3.96} the Act should first be observed in view to the coins being declared to be ownerless. They

Treasure Trove

7 DB
1/4/96

The formalities of the Act must first be complied with in both cases; then the Vol^{ts} & the Govt acquire them; & the distribution shall be to the specified Museums, & otherwise as the Govt may direct.

Hon W. H. W. B. L. & Co.

Vol:

Paris accompanying in a
sealed cover

Public Current 1121

N ⁴ 260 d/10 April 96
Order

The Collector will be informed that the formalities of the Act should be complied with in both cases and the coins should then be acquired under Section 16 in view of their being distributed to the museums specified in para 2 of G.O. N^o 156 Pub-d/21st Jan^y 1956 and otherwise as the Govt may direct.

Ergebnis

To the Court of Vizag. } Dorpo
with coins returned. } 23/4/196
AB
9/6/196

When given for copying _____
When copied _____
When examined _____
When signed _____

189

READ AGAIN G.O., No. _____ DATED _____
189

CURRENT No. _____

ENCLOSURES TO G. No. _____

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT A A A A A A A

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

PAPERS NOT ☒ PUT UP, BEING MEANT FOR DESTROY
IN ORIGINAL.

N.B. -
A = Copy in full.
B = Not to be copied.
F = Copy abstract only.
Q = Copy heading only.

It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on the subject.

No. 134-G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 27th March 1896.

To

THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 55-Camp, dated 15th February 1896, recommending that Surgeon-Major H. St. C. Carruthers, I. M. S. (Madras), may be appointed to officiate as Medical Storekeeper, Madras Command, in the event of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel S. L. Dobie proceeding shortly on leave on medical certificate.

2. In reply, I am to state that the Government of India are pleased to accept your recommendation.

3. It not being the practice to gazette officiating appointments, no notification in the *Gazette of India* will be made in this or similar cases in future.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) F. G. CARDEW,
Offg. Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Copy forwarded to—

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, with reference to his letter No. 316, dated the 8th February 1896, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

The Controller of Military Accounts, Madras Command.

The Accountant-General, Military Department.

By order,

Offg. Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 27th March 1896.

To

THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 55-Camp, dated 15th February 1896, recommending that Surgeon-Major H. St. O. Carruthers, I. M. S. (Madras), may be appointed to officiate as Medical Storekeeper, Madras Command, in the event of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel S. L. Dobie proceeding shortly on leave on medical certificate.

2. In reply, I am to state that the Government of India are pleased to accept your recommendation.

3. It not being the practice to gazette officiating appointments, no notification in the *Gazette of India* will be made in this or similar cases in future.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) F. G. CARDEW,

Offg. Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Copy forwarded to—

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, with reference to his letter No. 316, dated the 8th February 1896, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

The Controller of Military Accounts, Madras Command.

The Accountant-General, Military Department.

By order,

Offg. Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on the subject.