Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

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No. 27. Read the following Petition.

To the Right Honorable Lord HARRIS, Governor in Council of Fort St. George, &c. &c. &c.

The humble Petition of Nundama Naik, inhabitant of Semboolapoorum in the talook of Teroomungalum in the District of Madura; dated Madras 28th July 1857.

GENTLEMAN,

That your Petitioner and his ancestors held several tracts of land in the said village, from generation to generation and obtained Puttahs in their names.

Your Petitioner found a theft in the said village in five tracts containing $29\frac{11}{64}$ coolies belonging to the Petitioner and other of Iyen land, of which the revenue tax is about of Rupees 32 annually usurped by the village Curnum, and Puttamaneagar, from the Fusly 1260 and by calculating up to the Fusly 1267 being eight years, the sum is about of Rupees 256 found by the Puttah of 2 Individuals only, and your Lordship pleased it to give an order for the examination, the whole of the villagers account of Puttahs given by the Collector, then it plainly will be known what amount of Rupees fraudulently usurped by them. That the same may be enquired into and justice done to your Petitioner by restoring to him the Iyen was dispossessed by their fraud. On the order of the Honorable Board, the Acting Collector did examine the account and found that the Curnum did as asserted by the Petitioner included the Iyen land with Curnum Manium land and enjoy it under the same tenure.

The only point now to be determined by the Honorable Board, is whether the Collector is authorized to grant Puttah to the Curnum for the land now carried to the Iyen head, whilst that authority confesses that Curnum is guilty of having held and enjoyed the Iyen land under Maniem tenure to the loss of Government. Wherefore your Lordship may be pleased to call for all the records with our Puttahs of several fuslies which was deposited by your Petitioner in the talook Cutcherry and refer to them and issue an order to the Collector that he may issue Puttah in the Petitioner's name for the land in question, which in your Petitioner's possession to this moment instead of in the name of the Curnum, a delinquent, who as clear from the Collector's own endorsement has been guilty of defrauding the Circar of its revenue thereon for several years by including it to his Maniem land.

Your Petitioner further begs your lordship to state that it is incumbent on the Government to consider any penalty as may seem fit to them as regards the fraudulent acts of the Curnum, which will be or are appoint unintegrity on his (Curnums) part and loss to the state.

Your Petitioner herewith enclosed two Petitions No. 1528-55 and 2418-57 with the Acting Collector's order No. 760-56 for your Lordship's perusal.

Your Petitioner subsequently beseeching your lordship as to have the puttah in his name with the present of the Government being found the theft in the revenue, in the Zillah of Madura, by which encouragement your Petitioner always pay attention as a servant on the same subject.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, No. 799; dated 10th August 1857.

The writer of the Petition above recorded complains that no punishment has been inflicted on the Curnum of his village, whose fraudulent act of entering Ain land as his office manium in the accounts, was brought to light by Petitioner's instrumentality; and secondly, that the Collector has directed the issue of a Puttah for certain land in Petitioner's possession, in the name of the same Curnum.

2. It appears that on Petitioner's motion, an enquiry was instituted by the Collector under the orders of the Board of Revenue, the result of which is set forth in the Collector's endorsement dated 23d December 1856.

3. From that document it would appear that 4 portions of stalams were discovered to have been improperly entered as manium by the late Curnum. Three of these are enjoyed by the present Curnum; and a Puttah has been issued in his name for them.

4. One of the portions however is enjoyed by Petitioner; and the Collector states that, inasmuch as a document produced by Petitioner himself proves the land to have been improperly held by him, "No. 59 has also been directed to be included in the Puttah to be granted to the "present Curnum."

5. The reason of this is not apparent. The land is expressly declared not to belong to the Curnum's manium; and it may fairly be said that of Petitioner and the present Curnum, the former, who is the party in possession, has the better claim; the Board of Revenue are consequently requested to enquire more fully into the transfer of the land claimed by Petitioner, to his opponent.

6. The Collector of Madura appears to have taken nineteen months, or from May 1855 to January 1857, to report on this Petition.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To The Right Honorable Lord Harris
Governor in Council of
Fort St. George

Gentleman

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The Humble Petition of Pundaram Naick
Inhabitant of Semboolaporonum in the
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Madura
28th July 1857

Revenue Dept.

No 799

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 10th August 1857

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Vide enter 28th July 1857

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Petitioner complains that the Curnum of his Village has been guilty of fraudulent practices in entering Ain land as Sadeyy land & that no punishment has been inflicted on him.

Petitioner prays that the Subscribers will direct the Board of Revenue to institute an enquiry & award justice.

Petitioner

Stamped & presented the Subscribers 10th August 1857

To the Board of Revenue

Enquiry

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To the Right Honble
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4th Aug 1857

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Dd 10th August 57.

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