Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 14th May 1861.

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2. The reason of the failure appears to be that the jungle is of large extent, and the trees so much scattered and so surrounded by cultivated lands, that it would be impossible for any private individual to support a suitable Establishment to protect the produce from depredation; so long as it remains in the hands of Government, all the Táluq and village servants assist the regularly paid Pygusties, and the knowledge that the jungle is Government property has a considerable effect in protecting it from plunder.

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2. Under the Collector's explanation the present system of realizing the revenue from the Soapnut trees in the jungle of Korukollu Mutta in the Kistna District, by means of Peons paid by Government, appears to be unavoidable.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 95. ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1861, No. 1,025.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

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Secretary.

To J. D. Bourdillon, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. W. Reid, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector in charge of the Kistna District.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Dated 29th *April* 1861.
Despatched. 3 May 1861.
Received.

No. 2,184.

Submitting with reference to the order of Government No 636, dated 19th March 1861, a letter from the Collector of the Kistna District regarding the renting out of the Soapnut jungle of Korukolla mutta.

No 1025.
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Asst Sec: to Govt
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