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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1604	Press Mis.
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Dated 10. 8. 1861.	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 10th August 1861.

No. 150. Read the following letter from Surgeon Major EDWARD G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk, and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 23rd July 1861, No. 913:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor, as ordered on re-enclosed petition No. 1,968 of 1861, to report that, in my opinion, His Excellency the Governor in Council may grant the permanent leave to Mecca asked for by Zahra Begum Sahibah drawing her stipend here through her security, Azisul Mulk Bahádúr.

2. I think that if the lady object to give her descriptive roll, her age at least should be carefully determined.

3. On receipt of the petition, I inquired as to Azisul Mulk Bahádúr's willingness to become this lady's security, and he sent a message in reply that he had been asked and had consented to be so.

4. I also inquired in the city regarding the lady, and it has been reported to me that this lady is not in Madras and has never been here, but that her nephew came, and after sending in this petition, returned to Raajanghar ten days ago.

5. This lady in her petition styles her husband Nabob Motabar Khan Bahádúr Tahir, Safdar Jung, but the title of Nabob was never granted to him by the Carnatic Circar, only Motabar Khan Bahádúr Tahir Safdar Jung.

No. 151. ORDER THEREON, 10th August 1861, No. 1,604.

1. The Government consider that it will be advisable that Surgeon Major Balfour should ascertain from the Memorialist whether the request to proceed to Mecca really emanated from her, and if so, that he should take measures to procure a descriptive roll, and have the necessary security bond executed.

2. Orders will then be issued for Zahra Begum's stipend, on her departure, being disbursed to Azisul Mulk Bahádúr, who will be responsible that the Memorialist's demise is reported, in case that event should occur.

3. Mr. Balfour will be good enough to state whether any, and if so, what precautions are necessary in addition to those mentioned above.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

Revenue

Petition 1861 Department

Recd 9th January 1862

From

The Government Agent at Chepauk,

and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends.

To

F. S. Bryce Esqre

Chief Secretary to Govt

Fort St George

Dated 23d July 1861.

Read 25th "

No. 338 No. 913 of 1861

Returns Petition No. 1968 of 1861 & reports that the permanent leave to Mekka asked for by Zahra Begum Habibah may be granted

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The Govt consider that it will be advisable that Surgeon Major Balfour should ascertain from the Memorialist whether the negroes to proceed to Mecca really emancipated from her, and if so, that he should take measures to procure a descriptive roll, and have the necessary security bond executed.

Orders will accordingly issued for Zahra Begum's Stipend, on her departure, being disbursed to Azizul Omuth Bahadur, who will be responsible that the Memorialist's mind is reported, in case the event should occur.

Mr Balfour will be good enough to state whether any, if so, what precautions are necessary in addition to those mentioned above

Chief Sec to Govt Agent & Chapauk 12 Aug 61

Fort St George
10 Aug 1861