

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	5232	Press
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
21st October 1862.*

No. 260. Read the following Petition of SREEMATU HIRANYA GARBHA YAJI RAVIKULA RAJAH MUDDU RAMALINGA SETUPATY, present Zamindár of Ramnad; presented on his behalf by his duly constituted Vakíl V. Sadagopah Charloo, to His Excellency Sir WILLIAM DENISON, K. C. B., Governor in Council of Fort Saint George, &c. &c. &c., dated — September 1862:—

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

1. That on the 26th March last your Petitioner addressed a Petition to your Excellency in Council on the subject of his claims to be recognized by Government as the lawful Zamindár of Ramnad. In it he enclosed copy of a Petition he had presented to the Board of Revenue on the 5th idem touching the effect of the deed of gift executed in his favor by his adoptive mother, the Raneé of Ramnad. Printed copies of both these documents are submitted herewith for the consideration of your Excellency in Council.

2. On the 2nd April following, your Petitioner presented another Petition to Government on the same subject, enclosing therein copy of a former correspondence between them and the Board regarding the Ramnad Estate. Printed copies of these documents also accompany this.

3. All these papers were referred to the legal adviser of Government for his opinion so far back as April 1862; and though a reminder was sent to Mr. Dale on the 16th July last, on a further Petition of your Petitioner dated 4th idem, he has not yet forwarded his opinion to Government.

4. Your Petitioner need scarcely say that he has been driven to sue Government in the Civil Court for establishing his right, simply because for seven long years they declined to recognize it upon repeated applications made from time to time by him and on his behalf. He has resorted to the Court as an unavoidable necessity though most unwillingly on his part. He desires not to keep up any litigation with his rulers, which it is in their power and only just at any time to put an end to by granting his prayer. If your Excellency in Council should have reason to consider that the suit now pending between him and Government is a bar to their compliance with his prayer, he will on the fact being intimated to him, gladly withdraw all proceedings from the Court.

5. In this his last appeal to Government, your Petitioner, conscious of the validity and goodness of his claims and rights but being earnestly actuated by a desire to purchase peace and avoid further litigation, begs leave to submit for the consideration of your Excellency in Council whether, as a final compromise, Government will be prepared to recognize his adoption

on payment by him of a Nuzzerana as provided in the Despatches* of Lord Canning and Sir Charles Wood in cases of what to Government may appear to be the doubtful adoptions of Native Princes and Chiefs.

If Government is willing to dispose of your Petitioner's case in this way, he will pay into the Collector's Treasury at Madura such reasonable sum as Government may, in their direction, fix in communication with his Vakíl V. Sadagopah Charloo. He need hardly repeat his motives in suggesting this course, which must be obvious to your Excellency in Council; his sole desire being to have as little dispute as possible with Government and its Officers. He begs therefore to submit that in the event of Government declining to accept this compromise, this Petition will not be taken or put forward as affording any evidence of the supposed weakness of your Petitioner's right or of any other matter whatsoever. If on the contrary your Excellency in Council is disposed to terminate this case in the manner above pointed out, it is scarcely necessary to wait for the opinion of Mr. Dale. The papers sent to him may be at once called for, and the case disposed of as in your wisdom may appear proper.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray.

No. 261.

ORDER THEREON, 21st October 1862, No. 2,252.

15th April 1862, No: 836.
23rd do. " " 871.
6th May " " 993.
18th July " " 1,533.

Resolved that the Board of Revenue be requested to obtain and submit without any more delay the opinion of the Government Pleader called for in the Orders of Government noted in the margin.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

16th October 1862

My dear Sir,

Enclose copy of the
Tannaad-i-Hukumat Istemmar
presented by Gov^t to the 1st
Ranmad Zamindar who
was a female. The 7th para
provides that she could with^t
the previous consent of Gov^t, transfer
the estate in whole or in part,
provided it be not repugnant
to Hindu Law. Clearly then

The present Rance could eliminate
the Remindary with the
previous Consent of Govt. The
legality of the transfer under
Hindu Law is a question for
the heirs & not for Govt.
In the present case the
Rance makes the adoption &
deed of gift but in the Consent
of the heirs; why should Govt.
interfere with this state of
things?

Also Enclose Copy

Translate &
of the deed of gift which
is pursuant to & not in
contravention of the adoption
and the gift is assented
to by the heirs.

Not wishing to
trouble you with a visit, I
have thought it proper to
write this note -

Yours sincerely
D. Sadagopan

NOT Hope Govt. will pass
a definite order at once -
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A Demand of the Right Honourable Edward Earl of Devon and Cornwall
properly granted by the Right Honourable Edward Earl of Devon and Cornwall
of Wales in the County of Salop and Barrow Fladby of the Kingdom of Ireland
Governor in Council of the East India Company for the Propriety of the
Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the
Municipalities of London and Westminster in the County of Middlesex
It is known to the Proprietors of the said Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the
Municipalities of London and Westminster in the County of Middlesex

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are so aware of the religious institutions, and domestic usage of their ancestors.
 In conformity to their principles the assessment of your Government has been
 fixed from the Commencement of July 1272 at the annual sum of 94,733/ ninety
 four thousand seven hundred and thirty three, which is the sum of that Pagoda/ 94,733/

Country, under the several heads above stated.

You shall regularly pay in all seasons the amount of the permanent assess-
ment above fixed: the assessments which have occasionally been granted according to the
Custom of the Country on account of drought, inundation, or other calamity of the season
shall now cease and never be renewed; and if (which God forbid) you should be forced to
discharge your engagements, your Zemindary and your personal property shall be answer-
able for the consequences of such failure.

In the event your personal property will be liable to attachment in the
first instance; and your lands will ultimately be liable to be sold and transferred
from you for ever, for the payment of the public revenue; but under the present terms
of the arrangement between your Zemindary and the British Government, no consequence
of your own fault, for the Court of a District will protect your person and property, when
warranted by your former orders, and you shall be enabled to pay your debts.

You shall be at full liberty to transfer your lands to the persons of your
choice, not of any other authority, in consequence of which you may thereby incur any

liability, provided they shall not be subject to the Mahomedan or the Hindu Law, or
to the Regulations of the British Government; but unless such sales, gifts, or transfers
shall have been regularly registered at the office of the Collector, and unless the
public assessment shall have been previously determined and fixed on the such
separated portions of your estate by the Collector and the fifth or tenth of the whole
of any legal force in effect, you shall such transfers invalidate you from the payment
of any part of the public land tax assessed on your entire Zemindary previously to such
transfer; but your entire Zemindary shall continue to be answerable for the total land
tax in the said manner as if no such transactions had occurred.

8th. You shall be at liberty of the sale of any part of your Zemindary for the liquidation of your
debt of the assessment, or in satisfaction of the debts of a Court of Justice, or
in the event of the transfer of any part of your Zemindary by gift, sale, or otherwise;
you shall furnish the Collector with true and correct accounts of your entire Zemindary

yearly, and of the portions of your Zemindary to be separated for a period not less
than the three years preceding such sale or transfer, in order that the due portions
of the same may be paid.

If the separated portion is the total permanent Zemindary on your Zemindary, based
on the actual produce of the whole Zemindary: so that if the accounts to be furnished by
you should be correct, no further assessment can be made, nor any increase of the
fixed Zemindary be demanded, under any circumstances, or improvements, or any other
cause, or the same may be made subject to the Zemindary.

If the separated portion is less than the whole, you shall have full liberty to transfer by sale, gift,
or otherwise, any part of your Zemindary, subject to the payment of the public revenue, and
to the payment of the public assessment on such separated estate, shall amount to the annual
sum of five hundred thousand Pagodas (5000) and upward.

10th. In order that you may at all times be enabled to comply with the
conditions of the 8th article of the Settlement by which you are bound to furnish true
and correct accounts of your Zemindary when required by the Collector, you shall
support the regular and totalled number of Cursums in the several villages
of your Zemindary. The Cursums shall be appointed from time to time by you, and
shall be subject to the orders of the Collector.

of allegiance to the British Government, its Laws and Regulations, you are hereby
authorized and enjoined to hold in perpetuity to your heirs, successors, assigns,
at the permanent assessment herein named, the Premises of Rannad-
by and in the name of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.
Signed in Fort Saint George this 11th day of April 1803
Signed Charles
By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council
John Channing
Secretary of the Secretary Office.

Signed

Secretary of Government.

21st Oct 1842 - 280-281

and on 1st Oct 1842 as per my Deed of Gift

I Deed of Gift executed by me

Shri Mata Dhanya Jai Baba Gaji Navikula Vijaya

Raghunada Rani Sitapate Parvatanandhini

Rachiyar the present Zemindar of Ramnab

to you Mulla Ramalinga Sitapate my sister

son and my own adopted son, of my own

free will, accord, and affection, and with

the full and entire Consent and sanction of all

my Dayadis, Bandhus, and all other classes

of kindred under date the

1st day of October 1842

Whereas it is a fact known to

all the world that I the Zemindar of Ramnab

have with and according to the authority given

me by my late husband and with the entire

Consent and sanction of my Dayadis, Bandhus,

and all other descriptions of kindred, and also with

the Consent and sanction of my Mother-in-law

Rani Mulla Viraji Rachiyar, as conveyed in the

Rajenamah filed in Oct. No. 3 of 1843 in the

file of the Zillah Court of Madras, duly attested

and

Council from the Decease of the sudden Council
in the present Appeal is likely to be attended
by immense loss of time and money.

Therefore I with a view to put
an end to the doubts expressed by the Court
as to the rights flowing from your adoption,
and also to prevent all disputes that may
arise in future as to your rights, do hereby
of my own free will, accord, and affection,
and with the full and entire consent and
sanction of my Deceased Father and all
other heirs, make a free gift to you of my said
Jemindary of Ramnad and all the wealth
thereunto appertaining, and also of all and
every other real and personal property belonging
to me, and now assign to you outright all my
interests, rights, and title in the said Jemindary
and its wealth, and the other real and personal
property aforesaid, accompanied by the oblation
of water with gold, and have and do further
hereby put you in possession and enjoyment
of the said Jemindary, and all the wealth
thereunto

thereunto appertaining, and all the other such and personal
property aforesaid, and also all my interests, rights,
and title therein.

You shall therefore hold and enjoy all
and every of the said property, interests, rights and
title together with their appurtenances such as
hedges, trees, water, her, stones, metals, the
right enjoyment, and the rights of ownership
with full liberty to alienate the same by gift,
mortgage, sale, or with a right to fix and
indispose of the same, and the same and the same
other heirs.

Thus having requested the Deed of
gift of my said free will and accord.
Signed by Ravi Chetupati Porvata,
wardhuni Pachiyar.

Witnesses
The Rank of Stavathapathi Sivathat.
Stavathapathi Carupayar,
Stavathapathi Menatchee.
Signed by M. Sivottamijayarajomatha Saver,
Sivottamany Saver,
Sannoolany Saver,

gives, & this Deed of Gift with our full
Consent and free will and accord.

1. *Salmon* *cond.* *and* *and* *Ram* *Raja* *Lam*
 2. *Salmon* *cond.* *and* *and* *Ram* *Raja* *Lam*
 3. *Salmon* *cond.* *and* *and* *Ram* *Raja* *Lam*

hacheyn and her husband, do hereby agree, and have
agreed, to this Deed of gift, with our full Consent
and free will and accord.

1. " 1 - Moottoonyroo Lauer.
 1. " 1 - Cadambanana Lauer.
 1. " 1 - Ristmahany Lauer.
 1. " 1 - Pinnobany Lauer.

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Copy in letter to England
of 22 February 1919 of 1913

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Ms 2232.

Resolved that the

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to obtain and submit without

any more delay the opinion

of the Court of Claims in the matter of the

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