

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1177	Press
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	524-55	
Dated	3 - 7 -	18 1863

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd July 1863.*

No. 54. Read the following Petition from SOOSERLAH VENKATA RAO, Pensioned Head Serishtadar of Ganjam Collectorate and now residing at Nellore, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Madras, dated Nellore, 6th June 1863:—

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

1. With utmost respect and humble submission your Petitioner begs liberty to state the following few lines to your Lordship in Council, trusting that he may be pardoned for the intrusion.

2. Having been dissatisfied with the decision of Government on his Petition No. 255 of 1853, in declining to remit the increased Income Tax imposed upon him by the Collector of Nellore, your Petitioner submits herewith a Petition to the address of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India at London (in triplicate), and requests your Lordship in Council will be so kind as to despatch the same to that noble authority, in the event of your Lordship not being disposed to re-consider the decision quoted above. Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray.

No. 55.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd July 1863, No. 1,177.

Ordered that this Memorial be returned to S. Venkata Rao, with an intimation that the Collector's decision is final under Section LVI, Clause I, Act XXXII of 1850, and cannot be set aside by any authority.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

The Memorial, to be returned

To the Right Honorable the Secretary of State

Right Honorable Sir

We have the honor to
forward a Memorial
from S. Venkata Rao,
renowned Head Sheristadar
of Guntur, appealing
against an order in which
we declined to reduce
the Income Tax imposed
on him by the Coll^r of
Bellary.

Enclosed herewith
is a copy of the
Memorial, and a copy
of the order of the
Commissioner of
Bellary, dated 13th
March 1881, in which
the order of the
Commissioner of
Bellary is confirmed.

In the year 1880-81 the
Memorial was received
upon his own return
on 13th March. Subseq^{tly}
enquiries showed him to
be one of the best men
in Bellary, and accordingly
in the following year, 1881,
we would appear from
the Memorial, he returned

still further to reduce
his acknowledged
income, he was surcharged
with the sum of \$10,000.
In appeal to the Court
this surcharge was
allowed to stand - &
an estimated income
of \$12,500, & on a further
appeal to the Board of
Ests. the modified
surcharge made by the
Director was approved.

We have all along
refused to interfere
in such cases, ~~feeling~~
that it was not our
province to revise the
assessment made by
the local officers, & that
their decision, subject
only to the general
control & supervision
of the Board, must of
necessity be final.

In the present instance

not only have we no
means of arriving at
a correct estimate
of the property of in-
dividuals - but the
decisions of the Com.
as to such cases and
assessments are final
by law.

Dec. 10, 1872, as before

The Memorialist being
satisfied in the town of
Hillman, & Mr. Dykes
having satisfied himself
by careful & personal
survey, that the value
of considerable amount
we had no hesitation in
adhering to our usual
practice. We are consequently
unable to offer any recom-
mendation in the Memorialist's
favor.

1872

22nd June

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Note. I think the
Memorial should
be returned - the
City decision being
final by law
v. Act 56. Act 33
of 1860. ch. 1.

JP

J. D. S.

Rev = 1863 Dep^y
 No. 1 of 2d July
 No 2 of 1863
 No. 7395.
 From J. Venkata Rao
 late, Secy. Sheristada
 of Ganyam Collectorate
 residing at Bellary
 Dated 6th
 Recd 14th June 1863
 With 3 Enclosures

Forwarding Memorial
 to Home Govt in triplicate
 complaining of the in-
 creased income tax im-
 posed upon him -
 to Mr. 117th 2^d July
 with an order

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Recd that in memorial he returned

to J. Venkata Rao with an intimation
 that the Collector's decision is final
 under Sec 111. Clause 1, Act XXII 1850,
 & cannot be set aside by any authority

Depy Secy. Govt
 1863 & July 1863
 Mr. 117th 2^d July
 Mr. 117th 2^d July
 Mr. 117th 2^d July