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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 508 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Dated 13. 3 ~~19~~ 1863

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 13th March 1863.

No. 126. Read the following letter from CHENNAPPA RUTHRAPPA MUDALLI and others, inhabitants residing in the villages and their suburbs of the Talook of Goodiattum, Zillah Chittoor, of the Presidency of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, Madras, dated 11th October 1862:—

HONORED SIR,

1. In submitting the enclosed triplicate copies of our Memorial to be forwarded to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the affairs of India in Council, we respectfully beg you will be pleased to do the same with your kind recommendation.

2. We further beg you will be pleased to bring our hard case to the merciful consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council, and appoint a Commission to enquire into and report on our grievances, consisting of M. Veerasawmy Pillay, Talook Moonsiff of Congevaram, Madras District; Chittumbala Mudalliar, Sheristadar of the Sub-Collector's Cutcherry, Chittoor Zillah; Jaharam Chettiar, Sheristadar of the Board of Revenue; Vigiaragava Chettiar, Manager Government Office; some of the respectable inhabitants from the adjacent villages, and as well as of such parties the Government may deem fit to appoint.

3. And we further solicit that an immediate order may be issued to the Collector, &c., that till the above Commission is organised and their final report is submitted, we may not be unjustly and unlawfully molested by the sequestration and sale of our properties in opposition to Act 16 of 1862, and for which act of benevolence, charity, justice and humanity, we as in duty bound shall ever pray.

No. 127. ORDER THEREON, 13th March 1863, No. 508.

1. With this letter certain inhabitants of villages situated in Goodiattum Talook, North Arcot, forward for transmission to the Secretary of State a Memorial complaining of the taxes levied on them, especially that on their incomes, and of the oppression which they suffer in the collection, by the subordinate officers of Government, of the imposts in question.

2. The Governor in Council resolves to inform the Memorialists that applications of this general nature cannot be attended to. The taxes objected to are levied under the orders of the Government of India, and the Memorialists cannot be specially exempted. If in the collection of the Government Revenues any illegal or oppressive act is done by the officers entrusted with that duty, Memorialists have their remedy.

3. The Memorials now under consideration will therefore be returned, with their enclosures, to the Petitioners, who will be further informed, with reference to their request for the appointment of a Commission to investigate their grievances that the Government cannot comply with their wishes.

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

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George
Madras

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And we further solicit that an immediate order may be issued to the Collector &c., that till the above Commissioner organised and their

their final report is submitted, we may not be unquietly and unlawfully molested by the Registration and sale of our properties in opposition to act 16 of 1862. - and for which act of benevolence, Charity justice and humanity we as in duty bound shall ever pray.

We beg to remain
Honored Sir,
Your very humble & obdt. Servants.

With Enclosures
& Statements 20 &

with reference to their request for the appointment of a Commission to investigate their grievances that the Government cannot comply with their wishes.—

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13th March 48

Copy To certain Inhabitants residing in the Villages & their suburbs of the Taluq of Goodiattum, Zillah Chittoor, the Presidency Madras — & with Memo. Dated 23d

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From Certain inhabi-
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Dated 11th Octr
Received 1st Inst. 1862.

Forwarding Five separate
Copies of Memorial to Honble
Government setting forth their
grievances in connection with
the assessment of the Income Tax
Act and praying that their Post
will appoint a Commission,
consisting of certain Native
Gentlemen to enquire into and
report on the said grievances.

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