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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 354. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1864, No. 7,032.

Read the following letter from A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th August 1864, No. 142 :—

1. I have the honor to report the death, on the 25th February 1864, of Kallyanummah, a female member of the family of the late Poligar of Anantapur, Siddappah Naidu.

2. Kallyanummah, who is the second widow of Veera Vasanta Naidu of the Poligar family, enjoyed an annual pension of Rupees 437-8-0, under sanction conveyed in Government Order, bearing date 13th January 1846.

3. The deceased has left no issue, and I am therefore of opinion that the allowance should cease. But a claim is set forth by a female named Lingaummah, the widow of Sidaramapah, who, it is alleged, was adopted by Chinnumah (also a deceased co-sharer in the allowance referred to in the above order), on account of the deceased Kallyanummah.

4. This allegation is supported by a document purporting to have been executed by the above mentioned Chinnumah in the year Vejeah (1833), and attested by three witnesses ; of whom one is reported to be dead, while the other two, admitting that the present claimant resided under the same roof with the late Kallyanummah, yet mention nothing regarding the legality or validity of the alleged adoption.

5. If the adoption had been valid, mention should have been made of it in the letter dated 14th August 1845, from the then Collector to the Board of Revenue regarding the subject of pensions to this Poligar family, which was not the case.

6. The claim of Lingaummah or of Sidaramapah her husband does not appear to be recognized in the certificate (copy sent) granted to Kallyanummah on the 26th January 1846.

7. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request the Board's instructions as to whether or not any notice should be taken of the claim, weak as it is, set forth by Lingaummah ; and to solicit sanction for the disbursement to the representative of the deceased Kallyanummah, of the sum of Rupees 140-12-11, being the pension due to the deceased Kallyanummah for three months and twenty-five days.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Certificate of Pension granted to Kallyanummah, one of the members of the family of the Poligar of Anantapur in the Bellary District.

Number.	Date of Certificate.	Name of the present Pensioner and relatives dependant upon the pension.	Caste, religion and sex.	Size.	Age at the date of Certificate.	Indelible marks or other signs or natural signs.	Purpose for which granted.	How related to the original grantee.	How related to the last incumbent.	Period of renewal and under what authority.	Amount of monthly pension.	Term of the pension.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
				F. I.	Years.						RS. A. P.		
	1846 21st Sept.	Kallyanummah Gowdappah, brother of do. Neelummah, wife of do. Ramapah, son of do. Condapah, younger brother of Kallyanummah. Ramappah, son of do. Sungabasappah, sister's son of Kallyanummah.	Linga Buljee caste.	4 10	55 0	Fair complexion.	For maintenance.	2nd widow of the nephew of the original grantee Siddapah Naid.	2nd widow of the nephew of the last incumbent Siddapah Naid.	Continued under the orders of Government, dated 13th January 1846, communicated by the Board of Revenue, dated 26th January of that year.	36 7 4	Hereditary.	

(Signed) A. G. TWEEDIE, *Assistant Collector.*

(Signed) A. HATHAWAY, *Collector.*

(True Copy.)

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

Statement showing the amount of arrears due to the undermentioned Poligar in the District of Bellary :—

Number of Certificate.	Name of the Pensioner.	Amount of pension, &c. per annum.	Date of Government authority.	Nature of the grant.	Period for which arrears are due.	Total amount of arrears.	Explanation of the cause of suspension of payment.	Remarks of the Board of Revenue.	Orders of Government.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Kallyanummah.	RS. A. P. 437-8-0	Government Order 13th January 1846.	For subsistence.	From 1st November 1863, to 25th February 1864.	140-12-11	Sickness		

BELLARY, 19*th August* 1864.

(Signed) A. HATHAWAY, *Collector.*

1. Ordered that the foregoing letter and its enclosures be submitted for the orders of Government with the following remarks.

2. From a report of Major Munro, then Principal Collector of Bellary, dated 20th March 1802, it appears that, one of the ancestors of the family of which the pensioner whose death is now reported was a female member, was Mullapah Naik, Dewan of Bejanugger who obtained a Jaghire from the King of Bejapoor, and who subsequently, on his submission to the Nizam's Government, received the village of Sidrampore valued at Tippoo's rental at Canteroy Pagodas 642 (Rupees 2,247) in Jaghire, with Russooms, in the District of Anantapur; which Jaghire, &c., were finally resumed by the British Government, the Government having granted in lieu in 1802 a pension of Canteroy Pagodas 900 (Rupees 3,150,) to Siddapah Nair who appears, from the Memorandum enclosed in Major Munro's Report above alluded to, to be the same individual as Mullapah Naik, the Ex-Dewan abovementioned.

3. In a report dated 31st March 1824, Mr. Campbell, the then Collector of the Bellary District, in submitting the claim of Chinnummah, widow of the abovementioned Siddapah Nair's younger brother Chinna Ramapah, for the share of pension enjoyed by Veerupummah deceased, first widow of Siddapah's nephew, (son of his elder brother) and which had been discontinued by Mr. Gahagan, reported as follows :—

"During the Principal Collector's administration, Siddapah Nair died, and the allowance was continued to his nephew named Veer Eswunt Naik son of his elder brother. He also died, and the allowance was then divided amongst the females of the family by the Principal Collector as follows, viz :—

	S. P.	F. C.	S. P.	F.	C.	RS.	A.	P.
1. Neelummah, widow of Siddapah	10	18 60						
2. Seekrummah, widow of his elder brother Sanni Naidoo ..	10	18 60	20	37	40	72	14	8
3. Veerupummah, 1st widow of his nephew (son of his elder brother)	10	18 60						
4. Kallyanummah, 2nd widow of do.	10	18 60	20	37	40	72	14	8
5. Chinnummah, widow of his younger brother Chinna Ramapah			20	37	40	72	14	8
Total...						218	12	0

per mensem or Rupees 2,625 per annum.

4. The third of these ladies, (Mr. Campbell continues), died during Mr. Gahagan's management, and her share reverted to Government, not to her heirs. The pension therefore has since continued at this diminished rate to be enjoyed by the four surviving members, the first and

second ladies, and the fourth and fifth ladies residing together, and in the accounts the name of the senior of each of the two alone being entered viz :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Neelummah including Nos. 1 and 2	72	14	8
2. Chinnummah, do do. 4 and 5	109	6	3
Total per mensem ...	182	4	11

5. Mr. Campbell was of opinion that according to "*the late Orders of Government*" in favor of the hereditary nature of pensions of this description, the share of Veerupummah (No. 3 mentioned in paragraph 3 above) ought not to have been resumed. Mr. Campbell further brought to notice that Chinnummah also solicited permission in conjunction with Kallyanummah to adopt as her son Siddaramapa, a young man, the nearest male relation of the family.

6. The Orders of Government alluded to by Mr. Campbell appear to have been those given in their Secretary's letter, dated 17th October 1820, and the Board, while they agreed with Mr. Campbell in his opinion that the lapsed share should not have been resumed, but should have gone to Veerupummah's heirs, called for further information as to the grounds on which Chinnummah preferred her claim to the lapsed pension, when she was already enjoying a share double that of any of the surviving widows ; and also as to whether there were no rightful heirs to the lapsed pension.

7. It does not appear that, any reply was received by the Board to this call, nor any other communication made to them from the District relative to *these* pensions *in particular*, until 14th August 1845, although another of the widow pensioners, viz., Chinnummah, who is mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 5 above, died in the interim, and her share also reverted to Government. At the abovementioned date, however, Mr. Mellor, the then Collector of the District, submitted an Extract from a certain "List of compensation in lieu of resumed lands, &c.," in which the Civil Auditor objected, (apparently in conformity with some change of practice in his office), to pay to the remaining three widows their allowances* without the formal sanction of Government, which was accordingly granted by Government, (upon the recommendation of the Board of Revenue), in Extract Minutes Consultation, Revenue Department, No. 53, dated 13th January 1846.

	Rs.	A.	P.
* Neelummah	437	8	0
Seekrummah	437	8	0
Kallyanummah...	437	8	0
Per annum...	1,312	8	0

8. Mr. Hathaway now reports the death of another widow, Kallyanummah, (No. 4 in the List given in paragraph 3 above), and recommends that the arrears of pension due to her from 1st November 1863, to 25th February 1864, amounting to Rupees 140-12-11 may be disbursed to her "representative," and the pension itself may be considered as lapsed to Government.

9. The Board observe that the Poligar pensions in the Ceded Districts have been long recognized to be hereditary, and that in Mr. Ross' Register dated 21st February 1814, of these Pensions for the Cuddapah District, they are described as "hereditary during good behaviour to lineal descendants only." In the case of the present lapse, as well as in the previous cases, in which the other two shares lapsed, there are not, it would seem, any rightful heirs to whom the pensions could be continued in conformity with the terms apparently contemplated in the granting of the original pension. Had Chinnummah actually adopted Siddaramapah, as it is alleged she did, the fact would, it may be presumed, have been brought to the notice of the proper authorities either on the death of Chinnummah, or at any subsequent opportunity.

Board,s letter to Government, dated 26th April 1830.
From Government, dated 14th May 1830.

10. Under the above circumstances, the Board recommend that the share which belonged to the deceased Kallyanummah, and which forms the subject of the present reference, amounting to Rupees 437-8-0 be considered as lapsed to Government.

11. The Collector will pay the arrears of this share, amounting to Rupees 140-12-11, to Kallyanummah's legal heir.

12. Mr. Hathaway's report should have been made in the tabular form prescribed in the Board's Circular Order, dated 5th February 1852, and the information contained in his letter could then have been given in column 8, the column provided for such purpose in that form.

No. 355. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1864, No. 2,180.

Miscellaneous.

Under the circumstances stated the share of the deceased Kallyanammah must be considered as having lapsed to the State.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Civil Paymaster.
,, Accountant General.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

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

Copy to A. Hathaway, Esq., Collector of Bellary.

Exd. R. H. Lee.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 25th October 1864.
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No. 7,032.

Submitting letter from the Collector of Bellary and recommending that the pension of the deceased Kallyanummah, female member of the late Poligar of Anantapur, be considered as lapsed to Government and the arrears paid to her legel heir.

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Under the circumstances stated the share of the deceased Kallyanummah must be considered as having lapsed to the State

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Fort St. George
30th November 1864.

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