

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 643

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Dated

16-4-1918

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government Revenue Department,
16th April 1864.*

No. 257. Read the following Petition of BAUROO JOGIAH, late Stamp Vendor at Cocanada, Godavery District, to His Excellency the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 26th March 1864:—

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That your petitioner begs to enclose his Petition to His Excellency the Secretary of State for India, and requests that you will graciously forward it to its destination.

For which act of kindness your Petitioner shall, as in duty bound, ever pray.

No. 258. ORDER THEREON, 16th April 1864, No. 643.

Ordered that the Memorial received with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Home Authorities, and that an intimation of the same be given to the Memorialist.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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To
The Revenue Board
Fort Saint George

The humble Appeal presented by
Bauroo Jagiah, late Stamp Vendor
of Coarada in Government District

Gentlemen

I humbly and respectfully pray, you will have
the goodness to take the following grievances into your kind
consideration, and grant me redress for the injustice done
me, by the acting Collector, who has dismissed me from the
situation on the 8th October last, saying that certain irregulari-
ties were committed by me in the transaction of my duties,
and I therein enclose the Hook Room issued to me on the subject
by the Collector - for your kind perusal.

1. In selling stamps to parties on the 5th October entering
their names on the stamps regularly - I have erroneously
given two stamps worth of 8 and 2 rs to two parties, the one
receiving 2 rs stamps on the payment of 8 rs, and the other 8 rs
stamp on the payment of 2 rs - but no mistake whatever is
caused in entering the amounts in the Chitah in receiving money
from the parties and in taking out stamps from the Box.

2. The party that has paid a 2 rs stamp for 8 rs stamp,
thinking it to be 8 rs stamp, only presented it to the Deputy
Collector in charge of Treasury to write & give him the receipt
of some decree, but the Deputy Collector seeing it to
be 2 rs stamp, questioned him why he has bought 2 rs
stamp instead of 8 rs stamp to which he replied that
he has paid 8 rs and bought it from me; upon which
the Deputy Collector ordered the Chitah and the amount
of money as well as remaining stamps to be brought at once
from me - He found by the Chitah that 8 rs stamp is sold

alight of cheating the Government.

7 I have tendered a security 10,000 Rs. about my situation and not more than 1000 Rs. worth of stamps were deposited with me for sale at a time and my office is always in that of the Sub Magistrate of the station where he can always come and examine my accounts at his option; besides this the Collector & the Deputy Collector who are always in the station have several times held examinations of my accounts and were extremely satisfied with my correctness. The Sub Magistrate sent also in his report, having found every thing correct on the 30th September last.

If it is considered how I could cheat the stamps in opposition like this while I have tendered a security for 10,000 Rs. for which amount only stamps are allowed to be deposited with me and not more, it may be plainly understood that I have not committed any irregularities as stated in the Kukini issued by Acting Collector and that I have not done any thing with the intention of defrauding the Government.

9 I therefore most humbly and submissively pray you will be so good enough as to cancel the Kukini of the Acting Collector and favor the situation back to me from which act of Justice I as in bonds shall ever pray.

Shadras
2nd November
1863

I remain
Gentlemen
Your most obedt & humble
servant
(Signed) *Shadras*
(True copy) *Shadras*

Submitting the Government.

To His Excellency the Governor in Council.
 Fort Saint George.

The humble Petition of Rammiah,
 late Stamp Vender of the Sub Magistrate
 Office of the Coimbatore Division
 Go. & every District.

By Lord,

This is an appeal against the Endorsement
 of the Board of Revenue dated 21st January 1864 made
 on his Petition No 4015 of 1863 declining to interfere on
 his behalf satisfying with a report from the Collector
 on the subject of the said Petition. The Orders of the
 Board of Revenue being virtually to affirm the Acting
 Collector's Report (which accompanies this) Your
 Petitioner respectfully begs to assure your Lordship
 that the Acting Collector, whose report appears to
 have been relied on by the Board, would not have been
 (when called for to report) naturally disposed to
 weaken his orders at first paper; and that therefore
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 without wiggling where right or ideal prerogatives
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 to lay his hardship before your Lordship with full hopes
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 due consideration which your Lordship will give to the
 narrative of the occurrence and decide from the facts
 herewith stated that altho' the deficiency in the stamps
 in his possession is true, yet it was not intentional or
 ideal whereby the state would be defrauded except
 incidental truth, spring from inability which occurred
 by the bodily state of your Petitioner.

Your Petitioner holds the stamp vendors post
 in question

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What can your Petitioner have recourse to now for justice
but to your Grace? Trusting to meet what your hands, he
prays that you will be pleased to take this intimation
with his Original Petition, into your kind consideration,
and restore him to his former post, or give him some other,
which will enable him to maintain himself and his large
family.

For which act of kindness your Petitioner shall
be in duty bound to be
Ever pray-

Read as
17th February 1856

Wm. W. W. W.

Signed

David Logan

(True copy)

Charles Wood Esq. M.P.
 Secretary of State for India
 The Honble Station of Bauria Jagiah, late
 Camp Commandant, Coanada, Gossamer District,
 in the Presidency of Madras

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the post of Stamp Vender.
 Your Station filled the post of Stamp Vender for about five years, affording great satisfaction to his superiors in the execution of his duties.
 On the first of October 1863, he had a severe attack of fever, and from the difficulty of getting a proper person to act in his stead, as well as from the fear of losing his means of support, he continued performing his duties.
 The present stamps are contained three whole sheets and they are torn & delivered when sold. It so happened that he sold several, while his mind was unsettled by the fever, whole sheets for single stamps, and committed the further blunder of mistaking stamps of 5 and 30 Rupees for those of 8 Annas, and selling them as such.
 This caused in the accounts a deficit of one hundred and forty-eight Rupees, which he made good, because the deficit arose from his having attempted to discharge his duties while incapacitated by disease, altho' such issue was never foreseen.
 Upon this the Acting Collector dismissed him on the 1st October 1863. Now your Stationer deemed such a severe punishment cannot be conceived. If he had embezzled, or even tried to embezzle Government property, he would have deserved the severest punishment it might be their pleasure to inflict. But dismissing him for an error, committed, when he was labouring under sickness, and repaired by him, is demanding of imperfect human nature more than we are authorized.

Yours

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 I am sorry to hear that you have been dismissed from your Station on the 1st October 1863. I am sure that you will be able to make good the deficit of one hundred and forty-eight Rupees, which you made good, because the deficit arose from your having attempted to discharge your duties while incapacitated by disease, altho' such issue was never foreseen. Upon this the Acting Collector dismissed you on the 1st October 1863. Now your Stationer deemed such a severe punishment cannot be conceived. If you had embezzled, or even tried to embezzle Government property, you would have deserved the severest punishment it might be their pleasure to inflict. But dismissing you for an error, committed, when you were labouring under sickness, and repaired by you, is demanding of imperfect human nature more than we are authorized.

6 Your Petitioner then appeared to the Board of Pensions, and the Government, both of whom declined to interfere on his behalf.

7 If the Superior Authorities encourage the arbitrary measures of the inferior Government officials by the declining to interfere on behalf of the complainants, what prospect is there of Justice in the land? it follows as a necessary consequence, that your Honor should be troubled by such trifling matters as the present.

8 Your Petitioner begs to enclose copies of his Petitions to the Board and the Government, with their Endorsements, for your consideration.

9 He trusts that when his case is taken into your gracious consideration you will be pleased to order his re-instatement into his former post or give him some other which will enable him to maintain himself and his family.

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