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No. 1. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp, Ootacamund, 8th May 1866, No. 1,796 :—

1. With reference to the Government Orders Nos. 724, 49, and 337 of the 24th of March, the 8th of January, and the 7th of February, respectively, I have the honor to report as follows.

2. The hill forests of Golcondah have not as yet been visited either by me or Dr. Cleghorn, and I am not at present in a position to furnish the information required by the Government of India in paragraph 5 of their Proceedings of the 13th of January 1866, No. 26 F. The Governor's Agent is acquainted with these forests, and reported that it was very desirable to hand them over to the Conservancy Department. The establishment has only very lately been organized, and I hope to be able to visit the forests next cold season, when they are, comparatively speaking, healthy. I would, therefore, suggest that the establishment should be sanctioned for the current official year, pending a report to be made at the end of the year, as our Department will then be in a position to afford full information regarding the circumstances and requirements of the tract in question, and the financial results which will chiefly depend upon the export demand.

3. With regard to the Coimbatore belt, comprising the Bolamputty, Sholakurray, and Chenat Nair Forests, I can report more fully, as I have at different times visited every portion of this tract; all the forests have been worked to a considerable extent before conservancy was thought of, but there is still a small quantity of fine ripe black-wood which it is desirable to work, as there is a great demand for the same; there is also a large quantity of superior jungle-wood, for which there will always be a demand, and a large tract of fire-wood jungle might be systematically worked for Railway fuel purposes. The ripe teak has been almost entirely cut, but there are numerous saplings of this timber and of black-wood which require care and conservancy. An Overseer is necessary to carry out these operations, and I am quite confident that the receipts would more than cover the cost of the establishment, though we should not at present look for any large revenue as most parts of this belt require rest, and a considerable sum must be spent on conservancy. As this belt of forest is chiefly under the influence of south-west monsoon, the growth of timber is rapid and very fine; it is also very near the line of Railway, for which reasons it should certainly be brought under systematic conservancy.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 1st June 1866, No. 1,288.

Forests, No. 1.

	Rs.
* *Golcondah Forests in Vizagapatam.*	
1 Overseer	60
Travelling allowance to do.	15
	75
4 Peons at 6 Rupees	24
	99
Chenat Nair, Bolamputty, and Sholakurray Forests in Coimbatore.	
1 Overseer	80
1 Duffadar	10
5 Peons at 6 Rupees	30
	120

This letter will be forwarded to the Government of India, and pending the orders of that Government, sanction is granted for the continuance of the Establishments* in question.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Conservator of Forests.
„ the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
1st June 1866.

No. 1,289.

No. 3.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Forests, No. 2.

* 19th December 1865, No. 601 F.
12th January 1866, „ 26 F.

† Dated 8th May 1866, No. 1,796.

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Government of India marginally* noted, I am directed to forward the accompanying letter† from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, relative to the Forests of Golcondah in Vizagapatam, and those of Chenat Nair, Bolamputty, and Sholakurray in Coimbatore.

2. Under the circumstances stated by Captain Beddome in paragraph 2 of his letter, I am directed to request the sanction of the Government of India for the continuance of the establishment‡ for the Golcondah Forests for the current official year, subject to the report required by the Supreme Government being submitted at the end of that period. Sanction is also requested, with reference to paragraph 3 of Captain Beddome's letter, for the employment of the establishment§ for the Chenat Nair, Bolamputty, and Sholakurray Forests, on a permanent footing.

	Rs.	Rs.
‡ 1 Overseer	60	
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Total...		120

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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From No. 1349.

The Conservator of Forests,

To The Secretary to Govt. Revd Fort St. George

Dated 8th May 1866.

Received 11th May 1866.

No. 1288 Gen. Dept. With order No. 1796.

Enclosure None.

Suggesting that the Estimate for Establishment for Selections be sanctioned for the current official year - and that the Bolambutty - Sholaykurray and Chenadchairy Forests be brought under systematic Conservancy.

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From The Secretary to the Govt of India Public Works Dept

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