

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2/27

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460 461

Dated

18 — 8 — 1866.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
18th August 1866.*

No. 460. Read the following letter from the Honorary Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 28th June 1866, No. 344 :—

1. I have the honor to inform you, with reference to the Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, No. 155, dated 7th June 1866, that the box containing the Singhara was duly received at the Gardens. I regret to say, however, that the long journey to which the plants had been subjected had proved fatal to the whole of them, nothing remaining but a few shoots, in an advanced state of decomposition. Aquatic plants like the Singhara, which grow in deep still water, are very difficult of transport, as the absolute rest and supply of comparatively pure and cool water to which they are accustomed cannot be secured for them on a journey.

2. As it is of great importance, however, that so valuable a plant should be introduced into this Presidency, I would recommend that supplies of fresh seeds of it may be procured from Meerut and Hyderabad, packed in dry earth or sand in a close box or cask. If transmitted in this way the seeds are sure to retain their vitality, and I may remark that a few nuts sent from Hyderabad to Madras by banghy germinated, and are now growing in the Society's Gardens.

No. 461.

ORDER THEREON, 18th August 1866, No. 2,127.

Miscellaneous.

The Collector of Meerut will be requested to forward some seeds of the Singhara packed as suggested by Dr. Bidie.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Honorary Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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J. D. S.

18th Aug / 66.

Copy to the Honorary Secy
at the Horticultural Society
Sept 10.

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Pro: of Govt. for August
N^o 1881.

From the Hon.
Secty. Agric. & Horti-
cultural Society.

Dated 28th 2 June
Received 28th 7 1866.
N^o 344.

Further N^o 2448 of 1866.

N^o 2127 18th Aug

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Acknowledging re-
ceipt of the box of Singhara &
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