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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 806. Read the following letter from the Officiating Inám Commissioner, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 23rd August 1866, No. 63 :—

1. I have the honor to submit the following case for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. The lands noted in the margin, forming the sites of the Godashankara Rajah's palaces in Gumvayur Amshom, in the Talook of Betatnad, in the District of Malabar, were not assessed till 1828. In 1829 when assessments were fixed on the lands, the Rajah begged to be exempted from the tax. This indulgence was granted, and the lands have been enjoyed tax-free ever since.

	Acres	As.	16ths.	Assessment. Rs.	A.	P.
1. Kota Paramba...	7	12	8	9	13	7
2. Kanda Ramata Paramba... ...	4	6	2¼	8	13	9
Total...	12	2	10¼	18	11	4

3. There are no documents to shew that the Parambas in question were granted as Inâms, nor are they entered as Inâms in the public accounts.

4. Mr. Ballard proposes that, as the case is analogous to that which was decided upon by Government in their Order, dated 26th May 1865, No. 1,113, the concession which was made in favor of the Zamorin Rajah may be extended to the Shankara Rajah out of respect to his position.

5. The circumstances of this case are identical with those of that disposed of by Government in their Order dated 10th August 1866, No. 2,017, except that in the latter case the Inámdar is a Namburi Brahmin, while in the former the holder of the lands is a Rajah.

6. This difference in the rank of the respective holders of the lands is important, as it materially strengthens the presumption that the lands in the present case have always been held on tax-free tenure. I would, therefore, recommend their being confirmed to the Rajah free of tax so long as they are occupied as the sites of his palaces, option being also previously given him of enfranchising them on the rate of quit-rent applicable to his case.

7. I have not yet ascertained from the Rajah whether he prefers to enfranchise the lands, or to have them confirmed to him only so long as they continue in his occupation, but shall do so on the receipt of the orders of Government, and then prepare the title deed in accordance with his wishes.

No. 807. ORDER THEREON, 30th August 1866, No. 2,282.

Land Revenue.

Sanctioned as requested in paragraph 6 of the foregoing letter.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Inâm Commissioner.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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From

The Offg Asst Commissioner

To

The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George

Dated 23rd August 1866.
Received 24th.

No 63

Submits for the
Orders of Government the
case of a land held tax-free
by the Godn Shankara
Rajah in the Gumvayur
Amshom, in the Betatnad
Taluq, Malabar District.

No 2289 x 30 Aug.

With order

Nos 806 & 807

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