

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th June 1871.

No. 185. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th May 1871, No. 2,132:—

Read the following letter from the Officiating Collector of the Kistna District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 21st April 1871, No. 1,185.

I HAVE the honour to forward, herewith, a letter from the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate, dated 3rd October 1870, No. 100, pointing out certain inconveniences which result from certain villages belonging to the Nizam, isolated from the rest of the Nizam's Dominions and situated in British territory, being beyond the jurisdiction of our Police and Magistracy. Mr. Grahame proposes to set matters right by effecting some exchange of villages with the Nizam's Government.

2. I beg to submit a Sketch Map of the district showing how the Nizam's villages are scattered—one in Bander Talook, two in Nuzid Division, two in Vissannapett Division, and six in Nandigama Talook:—

Talook.	Village.	Extent.	Assessment.	Population.
		ACRES.	RS.	
Bander ...	Pullapadu ...	Unknown.	Unknown.	Unknown.
Nuzid ...	Buravavancha ...	2,000	2,200	200
	Maliavilla ...	1,600	1,400	400
Vissannapett ...	Chantapille ...	Unknown.	Unknown.	Unknown.
Do. ...	Ganugapadu.	Do.	Do.	Do.
	Ustapalli.			
	Kodavatikallu.			
Nandigama ...	Magalin.			
	Partiyala.			
	Batteapad.			
	Attur.			

3. When the Circars were originally made over to the British Government these villages were retained, I believe, by the Nizam on account of the diamond mines they contained, but they have long since been supposed to have become exhausted; at any rate, are never worked. It has struck me that it might be desirable, by an exchange of villages, to include these villages within British territory.

4. I observe that in the Bombay Presidency thirteen villages were lately received in exchange from His Highness the Nizam's Government and attached to the Collectorates of Sholapore and Ahmednuggur. With this view I communicated with the Zemindars of Lingariri and Munagala, which belong to the British Government but are isolated tracts in the Nizam's territories, as will be seen by a reference to the accompanying map, but both Zemindars are strongly against being transferred to the Nizam Government.

5. There is also a tract of country between the Nandigama Talook and the Vissannapett Division which belongs to the Nizam, which is said to be infested with dacoits and bad characters who attack and plunder passengers. I have lately addressed the British Resident at Hyderabad with regard to these complaints; a rectification of the frontiers here would be very desirable.

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6. The accompanying map shows all the Nizam's villages in this district, and I beg to submit the matter, through the Board of Revenue, for the consideration of Government. They may consider it advisable to communicate with the Nizam's Government through the British Resident.

ENCLOSURE No 1.

From the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate, to the Officiating Magistrate of the Kistna District, dated Bezvada, 3rd October 1870, No. 100.

I HAVE the honour to send, herewith, an Arzi from the Sub-Magistrate of the Nuzid Division and to inform you that there are two villages—Buragavancha and Mallaville—belonging to the Nizam's territories in the Nuzid Division. They are surrounded by Government land, and the extent

Villages.	Extent. Acres.	Assess- ment. Rs.	Popula- tion.
1. Buragavancha	2,000	2,200	200
2. Mallaville	1,600	1,400	400

and the population are noted in the margin. The former of them is a jaghire, and the latter is under the Nizam's control. In the month of May last there was much fighting and rioting in Buragavancha, but no steps could be taken by our Police as the village is under the control of the Nizam. When the Sub-Magistrate reported to me that there was likelihood of great rioting and general disturbance I ordered him to send our Police to the neighbourhood of the village to watch, and, if necessary, to suppress the riot. The head-quarters of the authorities who have charge of these villages are at a great distance, being in Madhira and Kummamett, nearly 100 miles off. There are also some villages in the Nandigama Talook and Vissanapett Talook belonging to the Nizam, but they are all tolerably near talooks, where officials of the Nizam are stationed, and, if any disturbance takes place, it can be speedily put down. The two villages in the Nuzid Division, on the other hand, are in the heart of a Government Division, and, when there is a probability of crime being committed, the inhabitants have no means of repressing it. I, therefore, request that you will be good enough to lay down rules with regard to petty crimes that may be committed in the villages in question. A list of the villages belonging to the Nizam and surrounded by British villages is herewith sent. I cannot find out their extent or population. If you think it advisable to have none of the Nizam's villages surrounded by British territory, I request that you will be good enough to lay the matter before Government that they may take the necessary steps to exchange the villages in question for others which may be on the borders.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—A Sketch Map.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

The Board cannot advocate an exchange in the face of the reluctance of British subjects to be transferred to another Government; but it is possible that a mutual understanding might be arranged, in virtue of which British Officers might exercise Police jurisdiction in such of the Nizam's villages as are isolated in British territory.

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Miscellaneous.

THE Government agree with the Board that an exchange of territory cannot be entertained.

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2. The Collector, it is observed, has addressed the British Resident at Hyderabad regarding the lawless condition of the strip of foreign territory lying between the British Talooks of Nandigama and Vissanapett. For the rest it appears that, unlike the other villages belonging to the Nizam scattered over the Kistna District, the small hamlets of Buragavancha and Mallaville of Nuzvid Talook are unprovided with Headmen or other officials, and that from the frequent rioting and disturbances therein they are a nuisance to the neighbourhood.

3. It is not stated that the Collector has brought this matter to the notice of the Resident. The Government will now do so.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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The Govt agree with the fact that an exchange of territory cannot be entertained.

The Col. has observed, has addressed the British Resident at Hyderabad regarding the lawless condition of the strip of foreign territory lying between the British talooks of Nandigama & Visanapet. For the rest, it appears that, unlike the other villages belonging to the Nizam, & situated over his district, the small hamlets of Kuranga, Sencha & Mahaville of Nizamid talook are unprovided with head men or other officials, & that from the frequent rioting & disturbances herein, they are a nuisance to the neighbourhood.

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I certainly feel considerable doubt as to the propriety of giving up any British property to the Govt of the Nizam. I am in different M.

I am R. the Secy to the Govt.

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Exchange of certain
Villages belonging to
His Highness the
Nizam

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returned.

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To be Resident at Hyderabad

For transmitting for the information
the accompanying copy of the Report
of the Madras Govt No 4 of
with copies of the papers to which
it refers, and the map enclosed,
in order to call your attention
to the alleged lawless condition
of the small hamlets of
Buzurgavencha & Malaville
situated in the middle of
the Nuzvid talook of the
British district 'Kistna', but
belonging to H. H. the Nizam;
and to request that since H. H.
Govt may be moved to take
early steps to abate the
nuisance.

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