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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th October 1873.

No. 98. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th September 1873, No. 1,755, Forest No. 49 :—

Read the following letter from J. HOPE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 29th August 1873, No. 262 :—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the favourable consideration of the Board, an extract from letter, No. 175, dated 22nd August 1873, from the Deputy Collector, Nundial, and translations of statements made by the heirs of Achayya, agreeing to sell to Government for Rupees 1,500 their forest lands in the Nundial Taluq, known as "Achayya's lands."

2. The Board are aware how much loss to Government has been and is being caused by parties felling timber in Government forests under cover of passes granted by Achayya and his heirs, and how difficult it is to detect or prevent the extensive smuggling carried on by that means. This has formed the subject of long correspondence, and in 1868, when one of the plots measuring acres 663·88 was under attachment in execution of a decree in the Civil Court, the Government sanctioned* Rupees 1,500 for its purchase. The sale, however, did not take place, and in 1871 it was decided† that the whole of the lands should be demarcated and surveyed. A portion of the boundary line was accordingly cleared, and a Surveyor was sent last month from the Settlement Department to demarcate the lands; but before he could enter upon his work the heirs of Achayya offered to sell the lands, first for Rs. 13,000, and subsequently for Rupees 6,000, but I rejected both offers, and insisted on the demarcation being proceeded with, unless the owners would come down to the terms offered by Government in 1868. They have now agreed to sell both the plots, amounting to acres 1516·48, assessed at Rupees 758-3-9, for Rupees 1,500, the sum originally sanctioned by Government for one of the plots.

* G. O., dated 4th June 1868, No. 1,554.
† Board's Proceedings, dated 14th November 1871, No. 4,711.

3. I therefore request the Board will support my recommendation, and forward it on for the sanction of Government.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. RAMACHENDRA ROW, Deputy Collector, to J. HOPE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Nundial, 22nd August 1873, No. 175.

ADVERTING to your docket, No. 844, dated the 13th instant, I have the honour to submit herewith an original Arzi,‡ together with its two enclosures, from the Tahsildar of Nandial, from which it will appear that Ambamma, widow, and Subbaya, brother of Achayya, have given written statements, expressing their willingness to sell their lands at Narayanapuram, Nundial Taluq, measuring acres 1516·48, and bearing an assessment of Rs. 758-3-9, for Rs. 1,500, the sum sanctioned by Government in June 1868.§

‡ No. 569, dated 20th instant.
§ G. O., No. 1,554, dated 4th June 1868.

2. It will be observed that this extent embraces the *entire* holding of Achayya, inclusive of the old and new durkhast lands. I submit that the offer of Rupees 1,500 made by Government was only for the *new* plot purchased by Achayya in auction for Rupees 1,300, and which was under attachment of the Civil Court for a debt of Rupees 300. The present settlement there-

fore with Achayya's heirs for the sale of the *entire* holding for Rupees 1,500 is favourable to Government.

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(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. HOPE,
Acting Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Translations of statements made by the heirs of Achayya.

ON the strength of the sanction contained in G. O., dated 4th June 1868, No. 1,554, the Board resolve to authorize the Collector by telegraph to conclude the purchase for Rupees 1,500 of the lands in question.

2. These Proceedings will be submitted for the information of Government.

No. 99. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1873, No. 1,098.

Land Revenue, No. 5.

APPROVED. The Board of Revenue will be good enough to state from what provision in the budget it is proposed to meet the charge.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Deposition of Ambamma, wife of Danteraju Achayya, ryot of Narayanapuram, aged 26, dated 20th August 1873.

I have heard the Deputy Collector's order dated 18th Instant No. 466, read. We are unable, on account of poverty, to pay the costs of demarcating the Forest land of 1516.48 acres, apeped at Rs758-3-9, which we own at Narayanapuram, and for which myself and Danteraja Subbayya hold a joint patta. We are therefore willing in accordance with the Government Order of 1868 to sell our land for Rs 1500. If this value be paid to us we are prepared to part with the land.

~ Mark of Ambamma.

Witnesses (signed)
Narayanapuram Bhaskarayya
Jagarchedu Gopireddi Mahanandi Reddy.
Narayanapuram Kancharla Gurreddi
Santajuttur Subba Row.

Taken before me this 20th day of August 1873.

(Signed) P. Hiatua Row.

(True Translation)

J. Hobs
Acting Collector.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE

Dated Octobr. 15th.

Read

Encl.

G. O., 13th October 1873, No. 1,008.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 98-99.

Forest land belonging to the Heirs of deceased Achayya in the Kurnool District.—Approving Proceedings Board of Revenue authorising the Collector to conclude the purchase of the—for Rs. 1,500, and requesting the Board to state from what provision in the budget it is proposed to meet the charge.

Letter 20/3.

Deposition of Subbayya, brother of Achayya ryot of Narayanapuram, aged 35, dated 20th August 1873.

I have heard the order of the Deputy Collector dated 18th instant No 466, read. We are unable on account of poverty to pay the costs of demarcating the Forest land of 1516.48 acres, assessed at Rs 758-3-9 which we own at Narayanapuram and for which myself and my brother Dantaraju Achayya's widow Ambamma, hold a joint patta. We are therefore willing to dispose of the land for Rs 1500, according to a former order of the Government. If this value be paid to us we are prepared to relinquish the land.

(Signed) Subbayya.

Witnesses (signed).

Narayanapuram Bhaskaraya.

Jogarchedu Gopireddi Mahanandireddi.

Narayanapuram Kancharla Gurreddi

Santha Jutur Subba Rao.

Taken before me this 20th August 1873.

(Signed) P. Kistna Rao.

(True Translation)

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Acting Collr

Enclosure in Letter No 262
dated 29th August 1873.
from the Ag. Collector of
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PROCEEDINGS, 5TH SEPTEMBER 1873, No. 1,755.

Desp 10 Sept 1873
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SEPTEMBER.
Forest No. 49.

Forest Land—belonging to heirs of deceased Achayya in Kurnool District.—Collector authorized by telegraph to conclude purchase of — for Rupees 1,500. Board's Proceedings submitted to Government.

No 1090
Approved. The Board & Govt
will be glad accordg. to state for
what purpose it is the intent
it is proposed to meet the charge

To Board's Proc 5th Sept 73
Audit Genl Sept 1873 18 Oct 73

Exd. J. Tulloch.

8th Sept 73 to 13 Oct