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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th March 1874.*

No. 150. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd February 1874, No. 397, Forest No. 15:—

Read the following letter from J. HOPE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 28th January 1874, No. 42:—

I HAVE the honour to request sanction for the purchase on behalf of Government of Acres 121.06 of forest land, assessed at Rupees 30-4-3, in Singavaram, hamlet of Ramapuram, Nundial Taluq, held on putta by Nandi Reddi and Jamal Khan.

2. This has been the subject of correspondence in this district from the beginning of last year in connection with the purchase of Achayya's durkhasts, with a view to the complete appropriation by Government of private lands situated in forests. The owners then demanded Rupees 1,350 for their lands, and the Deputy Collector of Nundial recommended their purchase for Rupees 1,210, at Rupees 10 per acre. The Acting Deputy Conservator concurred with him in thinking Rupees 10 per acre "a fair price," and estimated the value of the trees and bamboos at about Rupees 1,800, and the number of trees at 7,200. I, however, considered the price asked for exorbitant and dropped the matter at the time; but, after the purchase of Achayya's lands at a very favourable price, I took up the matter again and requested the Deputy Collector at Nundial to ascertain from the owners whether they would not accede to a more reasonable price. The result of this reference is embodied in letter, No. 3, dated 10th January 1874, from that officer (copy enclosed), stating that they have agreed to sell their lands to Government at Rupees 6 per acre, or Rupees 726-5-9 for the whole.

3. These lands are, like those lately held by Achayya's heirs, situated in the midst of our forests, and are the only ones of any importance in a position so detrimental to Government interests. Their purchase would, therefore, rid Government of a source of great loss and annoyance, which, as the Board are aware, is at present caused by persons cutting wood in Government forests under cover of passes issued by such owners.

4. Under these circumstances I beg the Board will support my recommendation and forward it on for the sanction of Government. The price demanded is, I consider, very moderate, though not so favourable as that paid for Achayya's lands, which the Board will see from paragraph 3 of the Deputy Collector's letter were bought under exceptional circumstances.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. RAMACHENDRA ROW, Deputy Collector, to J. HOPE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Nundial, 10th January 1874, No. 3.

WITH reference to my demi-official, dated the 17th ultimo, and my official letter, No. 78, dated the 17th April last, I have the honour to

* Extra No. 1, dated 16th ultimo.
submit herewith an Arzi* from the Sheristadar of Nundial with its enclosure, from which it will be observed that Nandi Reddi and Jamal Khan,

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	Acres.	Assessment.	
* Nandi Reddi.....	71 06	17 12 3	
Jamal Khan.....	50	12 8 0	
Total...	121 06	30 4 3	

are willing to sell them to Government at the rate of Rupees 6 per acre. The extent, as shown in the putta standing in their names, is Acres 121 06,* assessed at Rupees 30-4-3. The forest lands in question, as already stated in one of my former communications, contain epa, billoo, chiraman, and other kinds of reserved wood, besides bamboos and other ordinary timber. The proprietors at one time demanded as much as Rupees 1,350, but subsequent conference with them has induced them to reduce their terms in the manner aforesaid.

2. I submit that the rate demanded is not unfavourable to Government, and considering the annoyance given to the Forest Department by holders of forest lands, who issue licenses to the public for the ostensible purpose of felling wood in their estates, but who literally cut timber in Government forests, I would recommend the purchase of the land in question on behalf of Government for the sum of Rupees 726-5-9.

3. As for the property recently bought from the heirs of Achayya the circumstances under which the purchase was effected were peculiar. The tracts were so extensive and situated amidst hills, and the owners impoverished through endless litigation in the Courts, that any offer made by Government was acceptable to them, and the price was settled on very favourable terms to Government. In the present instance the land is only Acres 121 06, and the proprietors are in good circumstances.

4. In their statement before the Taluq Sheristadar the proprietors desire that a portion of the extent above shown, viz., Acres 16, which they allege is not occupied by trees, may be given to them under the Durkhast rules for the construction of a private tank, and they propose to cultivate "Nunja" in its bed.

5. This is a distinct prayer altogether, and may be heard and dealt with separately after the land is purchased by Government.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. HOPE,
Acting Collector.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Board think that the purchase is most desirable, but they doubt whether there will be "Forest" savings sufficient to meet the cost.

No. 151.

ORDER THEREON, 17th March 1874, No. 349.

Land Revenue, No. 6.

THE Government agree with the Board, and sanction the purchase of the land in question for Rs. 726-5-9.

2. If it appears ultimately that savings are not available, a special grant can be sought.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
,, the Accountant-General,
,, the Inspector of Forests.

Exd. P. R. Bantleman.

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FOREST No. 15.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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Dated March 17th.

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G. O., 17th March 1874, No. 343.

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No. 150-151.

Forest Land in Nundial Taluq, Kurnool District.—Sanctions the purchase of certain and observes that in the absence of available savings a special grant can be sought.



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(True Copies and Extract.)

J. G. G. G.
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Acting Collector of Kurnool.

.. to the Inspector of Forests.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

He should certainly show the money. If it appears ultimately that savings are not available, a grant can be sought.

Forest land—in Singavaram, hamlet of Ramanuram in Nandial Taluk, Kurnool District, held on putta by Nandi Reddi and Jamal Khan. Application of Collector for sanction for purchase of—on behalf of Government, submitted for their orders.

FEBRUARY.
Forest No. 16.

Received

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PROCEEDINGS, 23RD FEBRUARY 1874, No. 307.

BOARD of Revenue,
MADRAS.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 17th March 1874.

READ the following Proceedings of the Board of R.

Submitting for orders of Govt., application of Collector for sanction for purchase of Forest land in Singavaram, hamlet of Ramanuram in Nandial Taluk, Kurnool District, held on putta by Nandi Reddi and Jamal Khan, on behalf of Govt.

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