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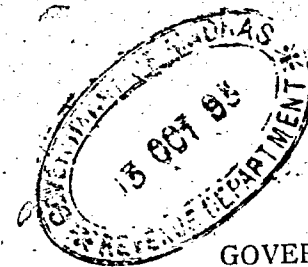
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.
(Agriculture.)

Simla, dated the 7th October 1893.

Forwarded to the Government of Madras for information, in continuation of endorsement No. 1630, dated 13th July 1892. in S.O. 3102
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By order,

Tomalayan

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

List of Papers forwarded.

Letter from the Government of Bengal No. 1174.T.R.,
dated 26th September 1893 and enclosure.

From the Secretary to the Government of Bengal to the
Secretary to the Government of India, Revenue & Agricultural
Department, No. 1174 T.R., dated 23rd September 1893.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your Memo:
No. 3072/102, dated the 30th December 1892, I am directed to for-
ward herewith a copy of letter No. 5 ^E/_{G.P.} dated the 2nd May
1893, from the Superintendent, Royal Botanic Garden, to the
address of the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, Bengal,
reporting the failure of the experiments made at the Chinchona
Plantation of cultivating the coca plant and to state for the
information of the Government of India that having regard to
the opinion expressed by the Superintendent, the Lieutenant
Governor has sanctioned the abandonment of the experiments.

2. I am to add that the opinion of the Director of Land
Records & the Conservator of Forests has been invited as to
measures to be adopted for giving effect to the suggestion of
the Secretary of State for India that the experiment should be
tried of growing the coca plant at a lower elevation than the
Sikkim Chinchona Plantation.

From the Superintendent of the Royal Botanic Garden, Calcutta
to the Director of Land Records & Agriculture, Bengal, No. 5 E/G.P.
dated 2nd May 1893.

With reference to your letter No. 352 Agri., dated 6th Febru-
ary and of subsequent reminder, I have the honor to state that
the winter which has recently ended has proved most disastrous
to Coca cultivation at the Chinchona plantation. The Deputy
Superintendent reports that a number of plants ^{both of the small} ~~and large-leaved varieties~~
~~plants~~ of Coca were planted out in two
plots which were considered to be in every respect the most

suitable which could be found on the plantation. The results on one of these plots situated in the Ryang valley, at an elevation of 1400 feet, were that of the small-leaved variety 90 % of which were killed outright by the cold and that the remaining 10 % are in a dying state. The large-leaved variety planted in this spot have suffered rather less; but they emerged from the winter in very poor condition. On the other plot (at Rishat) the results are slightly better. A good many plants were retained in the nurseries and they have suffered almost equally. The general results have been so unfavorable that the Deputy Superintendent (Mr. Gammie), who is an officer of much experience is of opinion that there is not the slightest hope of Coca ever yielding a paying crop of leaves in any of the spots mentioned. The warmest and in other respects most suitable spots in the Cinchona reserve having thus been unsuccessfully tried for coca cultivation, it seems unless to go on with the experiment, and I have therefore the honor to recommend that I should be authorized to discontinue it.

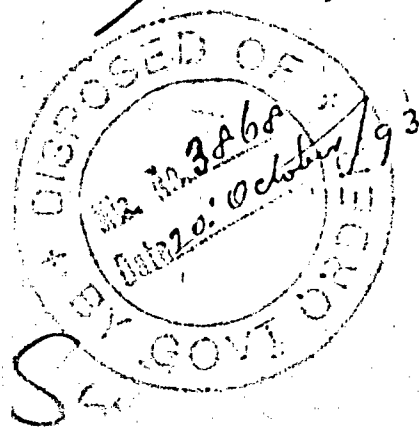
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The Government of India
Rev. & Agric. Dept.



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SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information letter from the Govt. of Bengal addressed to the Govt. of India reporting on the failure of Coca cultivation at the Cinchona plantation &c.

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ABSTRACT.

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Order misc 3868 of 20 October 1893

Communicated to
the Commr. of Rev. & Agric. and
Director of the Dept. of R.
and Agri and to the
Govt. Botanist and Dir.
of the Govt. Cinchona
Plantations in continuation
of G.O. 3403 misc of
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To the Commr. R. & A.
" Govt. Botanist &c

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