

Revenue (1893) Department.

G.O., No. 1468

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording Pro of the Board of Revenue Commission
to the Collector of Madras for approving draft notification
for the conservation of forests in the Varisamed Valley.

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BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE), 28TH MARCH 1893, FOREST No. 224.

CONFIDENTIAL.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

(LAND REVENUE.)

READ—again Board's Proceedings, dated 7th March 1893, Forest No. 231, Mis. :—

Read—the following G.O., dated 30th January 1893, No. 81, Revenue :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 31st October 1892, Forest No. 606 :—

ABSTRACT.—Submitting to Government, with remarks, letter from the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, reporting on the conservation of the forests belonging to the Gandamanáyakanúr zemindar in the Varasanad valley, Madura district.

Order—dated 30th January 1893, No. 81, Revenue.

Forest No. 33.

His Excellency the Governor in Council accepts the Board's recommendation contained in para. 17 of the

Proceedings read above and approves of the boundaries adopted by the Board. A draft notification, under section 29 of the Forest Act (V. of 1882), should accordingly be prepared, stating that the Government thereby prohibits, within the said limits,—

- (1) the breaking up or clearing of land for cultivation,
- (2) the pasturing of cattle, and
- (3) the firing or clearing of the vegetation.

This draft notification should be submitted to Government for approval before issue.

2. It appears that the Gandamanáyakanúr zemindari is under mortgage to the Commercial and Land Mortgage Bank, and one of the terms of the mortgage deed stipulates that no portion of the zemindari shall be given on lease without the written consent of the mortgagees. In view of the fact that the Government may hereafter be called upon to assume control of some portion of the forests in the estate, the Collector of Madura should now ascertain from the Commercial and Land Mortgage Bank on what terms the Bank would be prepared to lease out to Government for a period of fifty years, with the right of renewal at the termination of that period, the area for which a notification under section 29 is being issued.

3. The Collector should also submit an estimate of the cost of purchasing outright the area in question.

4. With reference to para. 21 of its Proceedings now under consideration, His Excellency in Council concurs with the Board of Revenue in its opinion that the scheme of constructing a regulating dam at the mouth of the Varasanad valley should be fully inquired into and reported upon by a competent engineer. It is possible that the great cost of such a work would for the present preclude the Government from undertaking its construction; but there is ample evidence to show that, by erecting a regulating work, as above indicated, an enormous body of

water would be collected and a large area of land in the Madura district could thereby be brought under irrigation. The report should deal with the question of the irrigation now made use of from the Vaigai river in the Ramnad and Sivagunga zemindaries and the rights of the landholders concerned should be duly considered. Orders will issue in the Public Works Department in accordance with the above remarks.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioners of Land Revenue, with map.
„ Public Works Department.

Resolution—dated 7th March 1893, Forest No. 231, Mis.

Communicated to the Collector of Madura and the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle.

2. The Collector is requested to ascertain and report the terms on which a lease of the area in question can be secured to Government, as also an estimate of the cost of purchasing the tract, as directed in paras. 2 and 3 of the Government Order.

3. The Board begs to submit, for the approval of Government, a draft of the proposed notification under section 29 of the Madras Forest Act. It will be observed that the terms of the draft are wider than those, of which notice was given to the zemindar under G.O., No. 973, dated 28th November 1890. By the proviso to section 29 of the Act, the proposed notification itself should be intimated to the owner and his objections should be heard and considered by Government before the issue of the notification. The Board therefore recommends that the draft notification, as passed by Government, may be forwarded with the required notice to the zemindar, allowing him three months within which to prefer his objections, if any, before the Collector. The Board's Acting Third Member has recently visited the Varasanad valley, and he considers that the additional delay will not make any material difference.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Ag. Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with draft notification and with map (to be returned).
„ Collector of Madura.
„ Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle.

Read—also the following G.O., dated 14th March 1893, Mis. No. 1041, Revenue:—

Read—Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 7th March 1893, Forest No. 231, Mis.

Order—dated 14th March 1893, Mis. No. 1041, Revenue.

Recorded.

2. The draft notification submitted by the Board is approved. The Board should forward a copy of the notification with the requisite notice to the Zemindar, who should be allowed three months' time to prefer his objections, if any, before the Collector.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioners of Land Revenue, with map returned.

RESOLUTION—dated 28th March 1893, Forest No. 224.

The G.O. read above will be communicated to the Collector of Madura, with the request that he will serve upon the Zemindar the annexed notice together with a copy of the proposed notification. The date of service of the notice should be reported for the information of the Board.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Ag. Secretary.

To the Collector of Madura, with notice and copy of proposed notification.
Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle.
„ „ Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

APPENDIX I.—NOTICE.

Whereas it appears to be necessary, for the protection and maintenance of the water-supply of the river Vaigai, that His Excellency the Governor in Council should prohibit (a) the breaking up or clearing of land for cultivation, (b) the pasturing of cattle, and (c) the firing or clearing of the vegetation, in a portion of the Varasanad valley of the Gandamanayakanur zemindari of the Madura district; and whereas His Excellency the Governor in Council proposes to issue the notification of which a copy is enclosed, under section 29 of the Madras Forest Act (V. of 1882), to this effect: this is to give you, M.R.Ry. Tirumalai Gandama Kondala Nagaya Ramakrishna-sami Naickar Avargal, Zemindar of Gandamanayakanur, notice, under the said section of the Madras Forest Act, that you should show cause, within three months from the date of service of this notice, to the Collector of the Madura district, why such a notification should not be issued: failing which, further action will be taken.

APPENDIX II.—NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 29 of the Madras Forest Act V. of 1882, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to notify that within the area, the limits of which are specified below, (a) the breaking up or clearing of land for cultivation, (b) the pasturing of cattle, and (c) the firing or clearing of the vegetation are hereby prohibited.

Limits.

All the lands included in the Varasanad valley of the Gandamanayakanur zemindari, in the Madura district, and lying south of a straight line from Pashee Malai on the west (outside the zemindari) to the junction of the Combai Tolluva Ar with the Sotapalai Ar (within the zemindari), thence up the Sotapalai Ar and down the Kannimankedai Ar as far as its junction with the Odankal Ar, thence down the Odankal Ar to its junction with the Periyar, thence down the Periyar to its junction with the Korai Ar, thence down the same river to where the Rajamparai pass crosses the Periyar and thence up the Rajamparai pass to the western boundary of the above zemindari.

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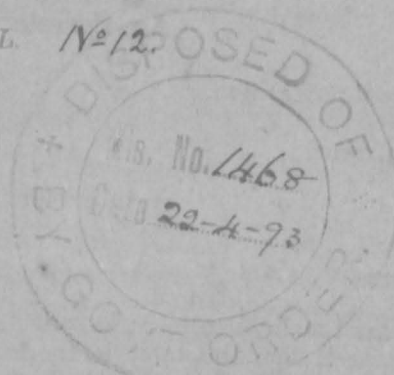
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Proceedings, 28th March 1893, Forest
No. 224.

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Communicating to the Collector of Madura G.O. approving the draft notification, under section 29 of the Forest Act, for the conservation of forests in the Varasanad valley of the Gandamanayakanur zemindari, and requesting him to serve upon the Zemindar the requisite notice with a copy of the proposed notification, and to report to the Board the date of such service.

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