Revenue Consolidation

Bach no 81 / 82

N° 640

Dated 17th May 1858

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செப்பனிடுபவர் பெயர்: S. சுப்பராயன்

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 18th May 1858.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 640; dated 17th May 1858.

With their Proceedings above recorded, the Board of Revenue submit an application from their Head Serishtadar K. Narasinga Row, praying for the grant of a Shrotriem, or a ready money allowance, for three lives, on his retiring from the public service, which he proposes to do after the final orders of the Court are received on his present application.

2. The claims of this meritorious public servant for special consideration on occasion of his retirement, have already been submitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors in the letter from this Government dated 26th May 1854, No. 32. With that letter was forwarded a Minute recorded by the Honorable Mr. D. Eliott, in which he fully entered into the important nature of the services rendered by Narasinga Row, explaining the highly valuable assistance rendered by him to the Board of Revenue in his capacity of Serishtadar of their Cutcherry, and pointing out the position he held under Mr. Russell, at much personal risk, when that gentleman was engaged in quelling the disturbance which arose in Ganjam in 1832. Mr. Russell acknowledged the services thus rendered in para. 161 of his Report dated 1st November 1834.

Vide Selection No. XXIV. of the records of Government, page 103.

3. Narasinga Row also accompanied Mr. Russell to Calcutta when he was deputed to explain the accounts connected with the Revenue system of this Presidency to the Financial Committee in 1828.

4. The Honorable the Court of Directors have, in para. 1 of their Revenue Despatch dated 28th February 1855, No. 6, fully recognized the services of Narasinga Row, and have expressed their willingness to give due consideration to his claims whenever the time shall arrive for his retirement from the public service.

5. It now therefore only remains for Government to point out that Narasinga Row has continued to preserve, unblemished, that character and high position which then attracted the marked attention of the Court, and that his services have again been made use of by Government in a matter not immediately connected with his office as Serishtadar of the Board's Cutcherry. When the Government had occasion to nominate a Commissioner to proceed to Tanjore, to carry out the measures connected with the extinction of the Raj, they pointed out Narasinga Row as the person best qualified, by character, experience, and judgment, to accompany the Commissioner, and aid him in the duties that would devolve upon him in connection with the landed property of the Raj.

6. Narasinga Row's present application is accompanied by the testimonials which, in his long service, he has received from those with whom he has been officially connected.

7. The Government are of opinion that Narasinga Row fully deserves that special consideration should be shewn to him on retirement, and they believe that they act in strict accordance with the wishes of the Honorable Court, in proceeding to consider how that consideration can best be shewn. The Honorable Court, in their Despatch above alluded to, remarked that, in recommending the provision which this Government might consider it proper to make for Narasinga Row and his family, they should bear in mind the opinion expressed in the Court's Despatches noted in the margin. From these Despatches the Government gather that it is the intention of the Honorable Court that pensionary provision in money or land should not be granted for several lives, and that the pension that may be granted for more than one life should decrease as it descends. It was also the Court's wish that money pensions should be given in preference to grants of land. Narasinga Row requests either a Shrotriem for three lives, or a money pension on the same terms. The Government are of opinion that the latter will be in accordance with the Honorable Court's intentions, and will afford a provision for the declining years of Narasinga Row's life, less liable to give him trouble and inconvenience than a grant in land. The Court have very lately made a grant similar to that now recommended, to Neelacunta Row late Head Serishtadar of Bellary, and the Government are satisfied that the services of Narasinga Row will not be held to have been inferior to his. They therefore resolve strongly to recommend the

27th May 1829, *p. 22 to 33.*
28th Oct. 1835, *No.* 19 *p. 35 to 37.*
16*th June* 1841 ,, 5.
11*th May* 1842 ,, 11.
12*th Jan.* 1848 ,, 1 *p. 20 and 21.*

grant of a monthly pension of Rupees 800, the full amount of his salary, to Narasinga Row during his life, of Rupees 400 to his son, and of Rupees 200 to the third life, and they will couple their recommendation with an expression of regret that they are so soon to lose the services of one who, throughout a career of 40 years, has, on every occasion, evinced an ability, a zeal, and judgment, which, while they have reflected credit on himself, have been of the greatest value to the State.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Ordered that the following Minute by the Honorable WALTER ELLIOT, Esq., be recorded.

No. 32.

MINUTE.

On an occasion like the present I consider that it is incumbent on me as President of the Board of Revenue after an official connexion with Narasinga Row extending over more than twenty years, to place on record the sentiments I entertain of his character and services.

When I first entered the Board in 1837, the Honorable Mr. Russell occupied the position that I have now the honor to fill, and I have often heard him express his sense of the obligation he felt to Narasinga Row during his arduous service in the Northern Circars for the firm and conciliatory manner in which he conducted the negociations with the turbulent, rude and capricious inhabitants of the Hill Zemindaries, and for the tact and skill evinced by him in bringing them to reason.

During my own service in the Board I have largely availed myself of Narasinga Row's counsel and assistance, from which I have on many occasions derived the greatest advantag. His large experience and intimate acquaintance with every part of the Madras Presidency lent weight to his opinions even when they did not command assent. And he possessed one characteristic—rare in his class—which always entitled his arguments to respect, that they were the result of his honest convictions and were not as too often happens, shaped to meet the views of his superiors. I have always found him firm and respectful, maintaining his own conclusion when he thought himself in the right, and I knew I could always depend on his accuracy in extracting faithfully the information in his custody whether they made for or against the position he had taken up.

Narasinga Row's long and eminent services fully entitle him to the most liberal degree of consideration which the Honorable the Court may be disposed to extend to them.

3d *May* 1858. (Signed) WALTER ELLIOT.

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No. 1454.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23d April 1858.

In Con. 23d April 1858. Read Petition of K. Nursinga Row, Head Sheristadar of the Board's Office, dated April 1st 1858, praying that his claims to a liberal retirement may be submitted for the consideration of the Honorable Court.

(Here enter No. —)

The Board observe that the services of Nursinga Row have already been brought to the notice of the Honorable the Court of Directors by means of Mr. D. Eliott's Minute of the 9th May 1854, in which Nursinga Row's talents and the value of his labours as a public Officer of long standing have received so strong a testimony, that it only remains for the Board of Revenue, as now constituted, to express their concurrence in Mr. Eliott's eulogiums, and to add that during the period which has elapsed since that Minute was laid before the Court, Nursinga Row has continued to devote the same industry and ability to his duties.

2. During the late enquiry into the affairs of the Tanjore family, Nursinga Row was selected, as the Government will remember, to accompany the Commissioner in consequence of his long experience and high character; since his return he has resumed his duties in the Board's Office, but is now desirous of retiring from active service. The Board resolve therefore to submit the petition with its enclosures for the disposal of Government, accompanying it with their strong recommendation, that K. Nursinga Row should be permitted to retire on the liberal terms already accorded to other distinguished public servants of his class.

(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

H. FORBES, Esq., *Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.*

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Rev.

Dated 28th April 1858.
Rec'd 27th "
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S.E. No 660 19th May 1858

Submitting with the Boards strong recommendation the Petition of H. Mar-
-vin Esqr. their Head Surveyor praying that his claims to a liberal retire-
-ment may be submitted for the consideration of the Honble Court.

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& whether the Court may be pleased
to attend to them I have the honor to be

Sir
Your obedient Servt
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Copy inv & Letter to Engd
Dy 28th May 1858 No 23.

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Minute by the Honble
W. Elliot, Esquire.
Dy 3d May 58.

Recording that when he first entered the Board in 57 he often heard the then President of it (Mr Russell) express his sense of the obligation he felt to a Narasinga Row during his arduous service in the Ceded Districts, and declaring that Narasinga Rows long & eminent services fully entitled him to the most liberal degree of consideration which the Honorable Court may be disposed to extend to them.

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