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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 14th June 1869

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Ans

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
14th June, 1869.

No. 1,699.

No. 342.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Forests, No. 11.

WITH reference to paragraph 2 of your letter dated 12th September 1868, No. 306-F., and to paragraph 2 of my reply, dated 12th November, No. 2,835, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of India, the accompanying papers* relating to the introduction of the Forest Act into this Presidency.

*Prcs. of Govt., 8th March 1869, Nos. 223—225.
Do. 27th May ,, ,, 645, 646.

2. The views expressed by the Revenue and Forest Officers on the subject are briefly stated in the Proceedings of Government, dated 27th May 1869, No. 1,497, to which a reference is requested.

3. The Government have given the papers their most careful consideration, and are of opinion that the introduction of the Forest Act into the Madras Presidency is uncalled for at present, and would be inexpedient.

4. The tenure of land in Southern India differs vastly from that of those portions of the Continent where the Act is said to have been introduced with success. As observed by the Board of Revenue, however applicable such an enactment may prove to the large forests of Burmah and other similar localities, it could hardly be introduced into this Presidency, where nearly all the jungles and forests are within village boundaries, and are subject to the prescriptive rights of the villagers, without causing much popular discontent and serious risk of oppression.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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REVENUE.

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

dated June, 1869.

Read. *Read.*

G. O., 14th June 1869, No. 1,699.

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No. 342.

Transfer of Docs 18th Sept 1869 C No 3331.

Letter to Government of India.—Forwarding, for information, papers relating to the introduction of the Forest Act into Madras Presidency.

No 1143

Official Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to request the Acting Secretary to Government Revenue Department to be good enough to return to this office the Forest draft Act and the explanatory memo on it by the Inspector General of Forests - These were sent by the Board to the Officiating Conservator of Forests for perusal and return. It has been ascertained that the Conservator has returned the Bill to Government with his report on the subject of G.O. 14th October 1869. No 2795.

Revenue Bd Office
Madras.
19th November 1869

/By order/
A Macfarlane
Ag Secretary

To

The Acting Secretary to
Government.
Revenue Department

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14th June 69

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Public Works Department

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Office Memo

From Lt. Col. Lewin-Lake
By Mr. Beadon.

To Lt. Col. Lewin-Lake
Govt. N. D.

Dated 19th November 1869.
Despd. 20th " "
Rec'd 23rd " "

No. 1143

Requesting Government to return Forest Draft Act and Explanatory memoir with Inspector General of Forests.

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