Revenue (1897) Department.

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Dated 17th December

[Despatch Abstract.]

Ramnad Zones.] The draft notn. under sec. 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the North & Rone block, in the Ramnallakota and Mandya- taluks as a — ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Ramnad Dist. Gazette.

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Forest No 245.

**From** The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Land Revenue Madras.

**Order** No 1067 of 17th Dec: 1897.

Forest No. 477.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St. George and Kurnool dist. Gazettes, this 1st March 98 being entered as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

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**SUBJECT.**

Subg to Govt for approval draft notification under Sec: 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Nallamalai Shone block in Kurnool Dist as a reserved forest.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
Enclosure No. 3
to Current No. 302

Protected

the Cumping ground measuring
Chains Square and adjoining
Vellu etawa a Sawmi well of
the day time only and to fetch fresh
and cook meals using the water of
the well for drinking, bathing and
Cooking purposes with access by
the path No 8 supra

(8) Right to the use of the water for Cattle,
Sheep and goats of (1) Kayamangunta
(2) Mineyamangunta (3) Bodimangunta
and (4) Chanata Limpatagunta with
access by a path two Yards wide entering
the reserve about four chains west
of the South East corner of Lot No 36 of
Ohiya and running in a South
Easterly direction to the Gunta.

(9) Right on behalf of the ryots of
Cherlakottu, hamlet of Govardhanagiri
to the use of the water by cattle sheep
and goats, of Nelamangunta,
with access by a branch path from
No 8 supra running west to the
Gunta

(10) Right to worship and perform
Marriages during the day time only
at the Cave of Kurkatamma at Swamimalai
which will be demarcated out and
retained as an enclosure within the
reserve with a space of 1 chain Square
including the Cave, the from
reservation with access by a foot path two
Yards wide branching from No 8
supra South of the well and running

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then nearly South for
West for about 5 cha
Chains; then South
point about ten cha
East corner of S.No 7
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Corner of No 611; then
to the North west cor
of S.No 611 up to
and then a straight
about four chains an
about 8 chains to the
No S are of Dhoni Ra

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the last mentioned Counting
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Survey department as ~~they~~ Division Forest officials
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Survey No 678 of Dhoni Counting
one at its North east corner; then
ner of No 678; the East, North
677 and the west side of No 676
ner to of the North west corner;
South west to a point about
corner of S.No 656, and then to a cairn about
the North west corner of S.No 655 of
to a point about seven chains
corner of No 634 of the same village
to the second Survey Dhoni
631 counting from the one
ned and by the side of the Southern
ne opposite to Telegraph post
the Railway line, to a Cairn
the west of the North west corner
then a straight line west
7 chains up to the Southern
then along the Railway line
281/7; then South-South west
the tank called Indlachenchu
Eastern bank of the hill called

occupying a S. area of
(35+21) square yards with a causeway
and stair case leading to it
measuring (7½+7½) yards and
the enclosure attached to it
with a well thereon and
situated East of the causeway
measuring (136+36½) yards
which will be demarcated out
and retained as an enclosure
free from reservation within
the reserve with access by a
foot and cattle path two yards
wide intervening the reserve
near the South East corner of
S.No 583 of Gonardhanagiri
and running South East to
the temple
3) Right on behalf of
Madaleti Nagadu of Kottapet
and his family to carry on
worship at the temple of Anjaneya
Swami occupying a Space of
(7 2/3 +5) yards which will be
demarcated out and retained
as an enclosure free from
reservation within the reserve
with access by a path 6 yards
wide from Kottapet Forest
and running East of the tank

thence Southwest to the [illegible] the same village; thence the west to a cairn about two chains ea thence South west to the top of Ken nearly the same direction to the the north and west sides of that corner; thence to the top of Lunu Hatchillock called Patta gedda Saga Kanamaboda; thence South west East side of No. 712; thence South west sides of that number up thence South west to meet the Nor North and west sides of that numb chains South of the North west nearly South to meet the west west side of that number up to th South East to the high ground Ca Eastwards to meet the west side of its west, South and East side East corner; thence nearly East Cairn; thence East South East and over the top of Melaganiti thence in a Southerly direction to West South west of the South West

Paddeal Saleg

South thence West for South nearly West for about 22 Ch East to a cairn about 11 of Nagaha kanda gutta; thence to the North East corner of No almost west - South west across

to a cairn about the west corner of No. kandeli of Gonawaka also about ½ chains corners of that number as to a cairn about South corner of Nasuma nearly east - South to a cairn about eight links South East and; thence nearly, east S

Easterly direction to the in nearly the same direction No. 957 of Gulaskalli; thence No. 958 of the same village East [illegible]

[illegible]

; thence the South side corner; thence South - South of the Survey No. 267 of the same about 18 chains and thence about ten chains to the anedukonda; thence along to the north side of village; thence its North to the North west corner

of the South west corner of Kanagani kumbura

(7) Foot and cattle path two wide between Polimura Anginaigalan and the temple of Rangalaumi: This branches from No. 1 Supra at the temple of Polimura Anginay about a chain and runs North west to the temple of Rangalaumi. Its length is about ½ furlongs. East

(10) Foot and cattle path two yards wide from Valasala to Kanagani kumbura - This enters the reserved about 3 furlongs North west of Kotta gumbura in S. No. 673 of Kanagani kumbura hamlet of Ohouwa and runs through it in a North westerly direction for about one mile from the path No. 2 Supra South of Dummarayadiwa temple

11) Foot and cattle path four Valasala to Kagolu to width of two yards. This enters the reserve South East of Nevanaan gumbura and running in a North - North west direction for about two miles into it at the South East corner of S. No. 2 of Kagolu

12) Foot and Cattle path 2 yards wide from Valasala to Gonawaka gama. This branches from its 8 Supra

of the South East Corner
straight lines parallel to
497 and 498 at a distance
the middle stone on the So
a straight line to the Surve
S No 509; then the mea
and the south side of
corner of the latter number
cairn about one chain So
corner of S No 513; then a st
a cairn four chains South
of S No 543; then a strai
corner of S No 544; then to
the south west corner of S No
North East to a point ab
South East corner of that
to a Survey Stone on the
same village; then the ea
559 to the eastern most
then a straight line North
west corner of S No 56[illegible]; f
boundary of Govardha
corner of S No 582; then a
East corner of S No 585; the
village boundary up to the
then a straight line North
South of the Survey Stone
near the South East corner
North East touching the
to a cairn about four
that corner; then a stra

4 1½ chains South of the Survey
of S No 189; then a straight
to a cairn about 1½ chains
west of S No 428 (all of —
a straight line to the South
Sagalu of Ramallakota
of S Nos 201 and 195 of Sagalu
[illegible] on the East side of S No
[illegible] excluding the one at its
a straight line to the junction
[illegible] Eel Ramagani Kunta (3rd portion)
the East across S No 429
point on its east side
[illegible]th East corner; then a straight
chain South East of the
[illegible] 453; then a straight line
South East of the South East
a straight line North East
South East of the third Survey
of S No 461 counting from
[illegible] its South East corner; then
[illegible] corner; then the South side
[illegible] Ramagani of Ramallakota Sagalu
[illegible] its South side; then a
[illegible] about 1½ chains South
[illegible] South side of S No 472; then
[illegible] about 2½ chains South
[illegible] corner of that number; then
[illegible] about two chains Southwest

to [illegible] Sugga to a [illegible]
Six yards: This enters the reserve
nearly 4 chains South of the Tel. telegraph post No 28/7
and running South of Railway
line parallel to it leaves the
reserve at telegraph post No 279/11
the length inside the reserve
being about 2 miles
(4) Foot and cattle path one
yard wide from Nagamala
guntla to Bakkapuram: This
enters the reserve east of Mudla
[illegible]nani guntla and running
South East for about 6½ furlongs
leaves it at the place known as
Yelika Kandala Chelaka south peak, a line
13 chains North west of the North
west corner of No 581 of Kotta
pally
5) Foot and cattle path two
yards wide from Nagamala
guntla to Kottapet well: This
enters the reserve near the top
Mokkalla Kanamakodu and
runs in a North-north westerly
direction for about one mile
and three furlongs to the well
6) Foot and a cattle path two
yards wide from Nagamala
guntla to the Valasala well:
This enters the reserve at the
high ground called Sik[illegible]
rallapetu runs through it
Southwest and Southwest[illegible]

direction to a Cairn about
stone on the South side
line North East by East
South of the South East co
Kanaqani Kandla); thence
East corner of S.No 201 of
Salaq; then the East side
up to the third Survey Stone
195 Coconuts from and
Southern most corner
of Bagolu with
then a Straight line No
of Kanaqani Kandla to a
1½ chains South of the No
line to a Cairn about one
South East corner of S.No
to a Cairn about one chain
corner of S.No 458; then
to a Cairn about 1½ chain
stone on the South side
and including the one at
a Straight line to
of S.No 470 of Gonar
up to the Survey Stone
Straight line to a Cairn
of the Survey Stone on the
a Straight line to a Cairn
East of the South East corner
a Straight line to a cairn

corner of S.No 494; then three
to the South East side of S.Nos 495, 496
chains of about two chains up to
South side of S.No 498; then
Survey Stone on the west side of
west side of that number
of S.No 510 to the South East
then a Straight line to a
South East of two South East
a Straight line North East to
North East of the South west corner
Straight line to the South East
to a point one chain South of
S.No 555; then a Straight line
about 1½ chains East of the
number; then a Straight line
East side of S.No 557 of the
East sides of Nos 557, 558 and
corner of the last number;
North west to the eastern
60; then the Eastern Survey
Kanaqani up to the North East
a Straight line to the North
then again the said Survey
the North East corner of S.No 703;
wards to a point one chain
on the South side of S.No 699
then a Straight line East
South East corner of S.No 127
chains East North East of
Straight line to a Cairn on the side of

and leaves it one furlong
North of the most South corner
of S.No 29 of Valagaca Etc
the reserve at the North East corner
of S.No 269 the same village —
inside the reserve and running
in a South westerly direction
leaves it East of Kelanani
Kandla, its length inside the
reserve being about one mile and
two furlongs.

7) Foot and cattle path
two yards wide from Naga
malla guard to Govardhana
gam: — This enters the reserve
about two furlongs South west
of Mok Kalla Kanamachi
and running North west for
about 1½ miles leaves the
reserve about ¼ furlongs
South East of the South East
corner of S.No 527 of Govardh
nagam

8) Foot and Cattle path
from Palasala to Analaddi
two yards. This
enters the reserve two furlongs East
of Kelanani Kandla and running
first North and then North
west for about 2 miles and
two furlongs leaves the reserve
about four chains East of

direction to a Cadjo about
Jeneragalla; thence South Ea
two chains South of the Sou
153 of Chinna Kolumulapalli
hagen; thence East to a ca
South East of the South East
thence a Straight line North E
four chains East of the South
№ 230 of the same village; th
East through Swickwatta tree
37 chains distant; thence a St
to a Cadjo about 8 chains dist
for about three chains to a Ca

East. thence in a South

top of Tellieralla metta; thence
to the North west corner of № 1
the North side of that Number
to the South west corner of № 95
of that Number to its South East
West to the North most corner
village; thence South west for a
in nearly the same direction fo
North east projection of Seyr
its easterly slope in a Circular
Vanivark № 228 of the same
side for about 12 chains

west corner of № 220 of
and South side of that №
Illawatta Kanda, thence in
North side of № 199; thence
bered up to the South west
Kalakanda; thence to the top
Era thence to the top of Mokkalla
remaining East
№ 717 to meet the
East, North, West and
to the South most corner;
side of № 693; thence the
ber up to a point about 9
ines; thence a Straight line
side of № 699; thence the
South west corner. thence
ed Illakanalla pitiya, thence
Potter's Square № 671; thence
to East aforesaid to the North
about 6.56 chains to a
through Mineral Square metta
top of the northern peak of
Kalakanda Cadjo Chetikka
about four chains to a
corner of № 81 of Kotta kalla

about ten chains; thence

ers. thence on Cadjos running
aims Northwest of the northeast corner of № 620
in nearly the same direction
716 of Kotta palli; thence
S Nos 716, 717, 747, 748,

about seven chains North of
the point of its entrance and
running in a northerly direction
for about two miles and 3
furlongs leaves the reserve about
3 chains east of the South west
corner of S № 472 of Govas
dhanagiri 7

11. The following rights
Lane been admitted.

(1) Right on behalf of Madra
lete Nagaren of Kottapet to
reside with his family, cattle
and Stock in Kotapet Fort
measuring 81 yards East 150
yards North, 124 yards South,
and seven yards West, which
will be duly Called out and
retained as an enclosure
within the reserve free from
reservation, with access by a foot
path
and cattle 6 yards wide entering the
reserve at the South East
corner of S № 558 of Govardhan
giri and running South East
to the Fort.

(2) Right on behalf of the
Hindu public to worship at
all times of the year at the
temple of Ranga Swamy

to a cairn about

749, 750, 751 and 752
Hore on the North side
from and including the
them in a line with the same
called Madigaramu
to meet the Dalley hore
(i.e. the line surveyed by the Rangpur
Northern Section) called hore
Hore on the East side of
from and including
the East and North sides
and West sides of No
to a point two chains
then a straight line west
9 chains more or less to the
16 Chains) North of the
ohore; then South west
west of the North west
then (struck out: East) South-west
on the North side of S.No
at its eastern most co
Maharatta Railway
No 281/17; then west
about six chains Sou
of S.No 632 of ohore;
North west for about
Maharatta Railway
up to Telegraph pos
for 13 chains through
Gunta; then along

East for about 16 chains
about 16 chains; then South
; then South for about two
to for about 16 chains to a
west North west of the North
of ohore called Burranadi
along the Southern bank of the
to a point about ten chains
ern most corner of S.No 702/3

the western base of Adda
rut one chain East of the
No 598 of the same village;
across S.Nos 599 and 606
thern Maharatta Railway
at telegraph post No 279/11
606, 614, 615 and 616 to a
ins East of the Eastern most
Straight line North west
of No 616; then the north side
chains east of the
eastern most corner of S.No 212
line North North East for
another nearly North for
stone pillar (called the above
Gallata Dalley)

(VI) Right on behalf of the
public to the use of the water
of Kolapet well by men and
cattle, with access by a path
6 yards wide from Kolapet
fort to the well and by another
path 6 feet wide and 735
yards long from the Ranga
Swami temple.

5) Right on behalf of the
ryots of Surangaperum
hamlet of Govardhanagiri
to the use of the water of
Rangaswami well by men
and cattle with access by the
path allowed to the temple.

(6) Right on behalf of the
ryots of Lakshmipathi
hamlet of Govardhanagiri
to make their cattle, sheep
and goats in the lands flowing
through Motta Hanumanthala
with access by a path 6 yards
wide entering the reserve
East of the South east corner
of S.No 699 of Govardhanagiri
and running in an East
South-easterly direction to
the Hanumanthala the length within
the reserve being about 5 furlongs

(7) Right on behalf of the
Hindu public to bathe at

[illegible] to a Cacti above

749, 750, 751 and 752 Kotta on the South side from and including the tree in a line with the same called Mallegamani to meet the Dalley bound (see the line surveyed by the Rangpur Northern District) bound Stone on the East side of from and including the tree East and North lines and West sides of No to a point two chains thence a Straight line west 9 chains north of the northern most 16 chains North of the K Ohono; thence South west line west of the North west thence (East) South-west on the north side of S No abt its eastern most co Maharatta Railway No 281/17; thence acro about six chains East of S No 632 of Ohono; North west for about Maharatta Railway li up to Telegraph post for 13 chains through Gumba; thence along

East for about 16 chains about 16 chains; thence South ; thence South for about nine t for about 16 chains to a s North west of the North of Ohono called Burranadi long the Southern bank of the to a point about two chains to the north corner of S No 702/3

the west bank of Adda out one chain East of the 598 of the same village. across S Nos 599 and 606 Hindu Maharatta Railway at telegraph post No 279/11 606, 614, 615 and 616 to a and East of the Eastern most Straight line North west No 616; thence the north side of chains east of the eastern most corner of S No 212 line North. North East for another nearly North for third point (called the above Gabbata Dalley)

(11) Right on behalf of the public to the use of the water of Kolapet well by men and cattle, with access by a path 6 yards wide from Kolapet first to the well and by another path 6 feet wide and 735 yards long from the Ranga Swami temple.

5) Right on behalf of the ryots of Srirangapuram hamlet of Govardhanagiri to the use of the water of Ranga Swami well by men and cattle with access by the path allowed to the temple

(6) Right on behalf of the ryots of Lakshmipathi hamlet of Govardhanagiri to make their cattle, sheep and goats in the beat flowing through Mota Hurisha Kere with access by a path 6 yards wide enclosing the reserve East of the South east corner of S No 699 of Govardhanagiri and running in an east South-easterly direction to the Kere the length of the reserve being about 5 furlongs

(7) Right on behalf of the Hindu public to bathe at

South west to the Canc. East
of Govardhnagiri
III Field No 238 Area Lubing 25.36
Acres will be Excluded & Cated out
and reclaimed as an enclosure free
from Rederwater within the reserve
with access by the footpath No 5
Deepra which will be allowed a 6
foot and cattle path 6 yards wide from
Kottapet Nullah to the field East
by the path allowed to the right East
well

Hodge
Inner office
11.7.96

Ed. Smith
Inner Settlement Officer

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## DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

**His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare, under the provisions of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act (V of 1882), that from the 189 ; the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted a "reserved forest."**

SCHEDULE.

| District. | Taluk. | Name of forest. | Boundaries. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Kurnool. | Ramallakota and Nandyal. | North Dhone reserve. | *North.*—From a point one and a half chains east of the south-east corner of survey No. 164 of Dhone, Ramallakota taluk, north-east to a cairn about six chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 163; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 56; then the surveyed boundary of Dhone to the south-east corner of survey No. 35; then in a north-easterly direction to the saddle of the hill called Lakshmanapeta; then almost in the same direction to the south-west corner of survey No. 133 of Kamaganikuntla, also of Ramallakota taluk; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 134; then the south sides of survey Nos. 153, 154 and 155 and part of 167 up to the survey stone, one and a half chains east of the south-west corner of the last named field; then straight lines first east-north-east; then east to a point one chain south of the south-west corner of No. 168; then east-south-east to the south-east corner of the said field; then south-south-east to a point immediately behind the wells at Kanama Timmarayadu's temple; then east-north-east behind the said temple for about four chains; then north to a point about fourteen chains south-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 181; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about one chain south-east of the survey stone at the southernmost corner of survey No. 186; then a straight line in nearly the same direction to a cairn about one and a half chains south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 189; then a straight line north-east by east to a cairn about one and a half chains south of the south-east corner of survey No. 428 (all of Kamaganikuntla); thence a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogalu of Ramallakota taluk; then the east sides of Nos. 201 and 195 of Bogalu up to the third survey stone on the east side of survey No. 195, counting from and including the one at its southernmost corner; then a straight line to the junction of Bogalu with Kamaganikuntla (third portion); then a straight line north-east across survey No. 429 of Kamaganikuntla to a point on its east side, one and a half chains south of its north-east corner; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 453; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 458; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about one and a half chains south-east of the third survey stone on the south side of survey No. 461, counting from and including the one at its south-east corner; then a straight line to that corner; then the south side of survey No. 470 of Govardhanagiri of Ramallakota taluk up to the survey stone on its south side; then a straight line to a cairn about one and a half chains south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 472; then a straight line to a cairn about two and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line to a cairn about two chains south-west of the south-east corner of survey No. 494; then three straight lines parallel to the south sides of survey Nos. 495, 496, 497 and 498 at a distance of about two chains up to the middle stone on the south side of survey No. 498; then a straight line to the survey stone on the west side of survey No. 509; then the west side of that number and the south side of survey No. 510 to the south-east corner of the latter number; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 513; then a straight line north-east to a cairn four chains south-east of the south-west corner of survey No. 543; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 541; then to a point one chain south of the south-west corner of survey No. 555; then a straight line north-east to a point about one and a half chains east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line to a survey stone on the east side of survey No. 557 of the same village; then the east sides of Nos. 557, 558 and 559 to the easternmost corner of the last number; then a straight line north-north-west to the easternmost corner of survey No. 560; then the eastern surveyed boundary of Govardhanagiri up to the north-east corner of survey No. 582; then a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 585; then again the said surveyed village boundary up to the north-east corner of survey No. 703; then a straight line northwards to a point one chain south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 699 near its south-east corner; then a straight line east-north-east touching the south-east corner of survey No. 127 to a cairn about four chains east-north-east of that corner; then a straight line to a cairn on the top of Yerragadda; then south-east to a cairn about two chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 153 of Chinna Kolumulapalli, hamlet of Govardhanagiri; then east to a cairn about one and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about four chains east of the southernmost corner of unsurvey No. 230 of the same village; then nearly east-south-east through Surikunta tank to a cairn about thirty-seven chains distant; then a straight line south-east to a cairn about eight chains distant; then nearly east for about three chains to a cairn.<br>*East.*—Then in a south-easterly direction to the top of Tellarallametta; then in nearly the same direction to the northernmost corner of paimash No. 957 of Gutapalli; then the north and west sides of that number and No. 958 of the same village to the south-west corner of No. 957; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then south-south-west to the northernmost corner of unsurvey No. 267 of the same village; then south-west for about eighteen chains, and then in nearly the same direction for about ten chains to the north-east projection of Byranedukonda; then along its eastern slope in a curve to the north side of paimash No. 228 of the same village; then its north side for about twelve chains to its north-west corner; then south-west to the westernmost corner of No. 220 of the same village; then the west and south sides of that number to a cairn about two chains east of its south-west corner; then south-west to the top of Korindivankakonda; then in nearly the same direction to the north side of No. 199; then the north and west sides of that number up to its south-west corner; then to the top of Tunkula Selakonda; then to the top of the hillock called Pattagaddasagara; then, to the top of Mokkalakanamaboda; then south-west through unsurvey No. 717 to meet the east side of unsurvey No. 712; then the east, north, west and south-west sides of that number up to its southernmost corner; then south-west to meet the north side of No. 693; then the north and west sides of that number up to a point about nine chains south of its north-west corner; then a straight line nearly south to meet the west side of No. 699; then the west side of that number up to its south-west corner; then south-east to the high ground called Iskanallapetu; then eastwards to meet the west side of potter's inam No. 671; then its west, south and east sides to its north-east corner; then nearly east for about fifty-six chains to a cairn; then east-south-east through Mandavaniguntu and over the top of Nelagari to the top of the northern peak of Yelikabandala Chelaka; then in a southerly direction to a cairn about four chains west-south-west of the south-west corner of survey No. 581 of Kottapalli of Nandyal taluk. |

*South.*—Then south-west for about ten chains; then nearly west for about twenty-two chains; then on across in Nagarabandagutta to a cairn about ten chains north-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 620; then on in nearly the same direction to the north-east corner of survey No. 716 of Kottapalli; then almost west-south-west across survey Nos. 716, 717, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751 and 752 to the second village boundary stone on the south side of the last number, counting from and including the one at its south-west corner; then in almost the same direction across the raised ground called Madigavani Potche, to meet the taluk boundary; then the Valasala shrotriem northern surveyed boundary (*i.e.*, the line surveyed by the Revenue Survey Department as the District Forest-officer's line) up to the second survey stone on the east side of survey No. 678 of Dhone, counting from and including the one at its north-east corner; then the east and north sides of No. 678; the east, north and west sides of No. 677 and the west side of No. 676 to a point two chains south of its north-west corner; then a straight line west-south-west to a point about nine chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 656, and then to a cairn about six chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 655 of Dhone; then south-west to a point about seven chains west of the north-west corner of No. 634 of the same village; then south-west to the second survey stone on the north side of survey No. 631, counting from the one at its easternmost corner and by the side of the Southern Mahratta Railway line opposite to telegraph post No. 281-17; then across the railway line to a cairn about six chains south-west of the north-west corner of survey No. 632 of Dhone; then a straight line west-north-west for about nine chains up to the Southern Mahratta Railway line; then along the railway line up to telegraph post No. 281-7; then south-south-west for thirteen chains through the tank called Indlachenchugunta; then along the eastern base of the hill called Addakonda, south-east for about sixteen chains; then nearly south for about fourteen chains; then south-west for about five chains; then south for about nine chains; then south-west for about sixteen chains to a point about ten chains north-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 702-1 of Dhone called Burravadi Regulachervu; then along the southern base of the said Addakonda up to a point about six chains north-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 702-3 (Kapamadduleti).

*West*—Then along the western base of Addakonda to a point about one chain east of the north-east corner of survey No. 598 of the same village; then north-north-west across survey Nos. 599 and 606 and across the Southern Mahratta Railway line in the latter field at telegraph post No. 279-11, and then across survey Nos. 606, 614, 615 and 616 to a cairn about three chains east of the easternmost corner of No. 611; then a straight line north-west to the north-west corner of No. 616; then the north side of survey No. 611 up to a point one chain east of the easternmost corner of survey No. 212, and then a straight line north-north-east for about four chains and another nearly north for about eight chains to the starting point (all the above numbers are of Dhone, Ramallakota taluk).

REMARKS.—I. The following public rights of way have been admitted:—

(1) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Gutapalli to the plains of Govardhanagiri and Avuladoddi, &c.*—This enters the reserve about four chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 218 of Gutapalli and running in a westerly direction *vid* Polimera Anginêyaswami temple and Kottapet well for about two miles and two furlongs, leaves the reserve near the southernmost corner of survey No. 555 of Govardhanagiri.

(2) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, to the wells at Timmarayadu temple, vid Nellasela.*—This enters the reserve about four chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 634 of Dhone and running almost northwards for about one mile and one furlong, leaves it at the temple.

(3) *Cart-track from Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, to Dhone Bugga to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve nearly four chains south of the telegraph post No. 281-7 and running south of railway line parallel to it, leaves the reserve at telegraph post No. 279-11, the length inside the reserve being about two miles.

(4) *Foot and cattle path, one yard wide from Nagamalaguntla to Bukkapuram.*—This enters the reserve east of Mandavanigunta and running south-east for about six and a half furlongs, leaves it at the place known as Yelikabandalachelaka south peak about thirteen chains north-west of the north-west corner of survey No. 581 of Kottapalli.

(5) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalagunta to Kottapet well.*—This enters the reserve near the top of Mokkallakanamabodu and runs in a north-north-westerly direction for about one mile and three furlongs to the well.

(6) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalagunta to the Valasala well.*—This enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapeta, runs through it south-west and north-west and leaves it one furlong north of the westernmost corner of survey No. 29 of Valasala; it re-enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 26 of the same village inside the reserve, and running in a south-westerly direction, leaves it east of Relamanikonda, its length inside the reserve being about one mile and two furlongs.

(7) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalaguntla to Govardhanagiri.*—This enters the reserve about two furlongs south-west of Mokkallakanamabodu and running north-west for about one and a half miles, leaves the reserve about one and a quarter furlongs south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 547 of Govardhanagiri.

(8) *Foot and cattle path, from Valasala to Avuladoddi to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve two furlongs west of Relamanikonda and running first north and then north-west for about two miles and two furlongs, leaves the reserve about four chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla.

(9) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide between Polimera Anjinêyasami and the temple of Rangasawmi.*—This branches from No. 1 *supra* at the temple of Polimera Anjinêyaswami and runs north-west to the temple of Rangasawmi. Its length is about three furlongs.

(10) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Valasala to Kamaganikuntla.*—This enters the reserve about three furlongs north-west of Kottagunta in survey No. 673 of Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about one mile, joins the path No. 2 *supra*, south of Timmarayadu's temple.

(11) *Foot and cattle path, from Valasala to Bogalu to width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve south-east of Pusamanigunta and running in a north-north-westerly direction for about two miles, leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogalu.

(12) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Valasala to Govardhanagiri.*—This branches from No. 8 *supra*, about seven chains north of the point of its entrance and running in a northerly direction for about two miles and three furlongs, leaves the reserve about three chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri.

II. The following rights have been admitted:—

(1) Right on behalf of Maddulete Nagadu of Kottapet to reside with his family, cattle and stock in Kotapet fort, measuring eighty-one yards east, one hundred and fifty yards north, one hundred and twenty-four yards south, and seven yards west, which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with access by a foot and cattle path, six yards wide entering the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 558 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the fort.

(2) Right on behalf of the Hindu public to worship at all times of the year at the temple of Rangasami, occupying a space of 35 × 21 square yards with causeway and stair-case leading to it, measuring 74 × 7 square yards and the enclosure attached to it with a well thereon and situated east of the causeway, measuring 136 × 36½ square yards which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by a foot and cattle path, two yards wide entering the reserve near the south-east corner of survey No. 583 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the temple.



(3) Right on behalf of Maduleti Nagadu of Kot apet and his family to carry on worship at the temple of Anjinêyaswami occupying a space of (7½ × 5) yards which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by a path six yards wide from Kottapet Fort and running east to the temple.

(4) Right on behalf of the public to the use of the water of Kotapet well by men and cattle, with access by a path six yards wide from Kottapet Fort to the well and by another path six feet wide and seven hundred and thirty-five yards long from the Rangasawmi temple.

(5) Right on behalf of the ryots of Srirangapuram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri to the use of the water of Rangasawmi well by men and cattle with access by the path allowed to the temple.

(6) Right on behalf of the ryots of Lakshmipalli, hamlet of Govardhanagiri, to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the Vanka flowing through Motukursela with access by a path six yards wide entering the reserve east of the south-east corner of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri, and running in an east-south-easterly direction to the Vanka, the length inside the reserve being about five furlongs.

(7) Right on behalf of the Hindu public to halt at the camping ground, measuring two chains square and adjoining the Venketeswaraswmi well during the *day time only* and to light fires and cook meals, using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes with access by the path I-8 *supra*.

(8) Right to the use of the water for cattle, sheep and goats of (1) Boyannagunta, (2) Muniyannagunta, (3) Bosuvagunta and (4) Chavati Tirupatigunta with access by a path two yards wide, entering the reserve about four chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 36 of Dhone and running in a south-easterly direction to the guntas.

(9) Right on behalf of the ryots of Cherlakottur, hamlet of Govardhanagiri to the use of the water by cattle, sheep and goats of Nelamanigunta, with access by a branch path from No. 8 *supra*, running west to the kunta.

(10) Right to worship and perform marriages during the day time only at the cave of Venketswaraswami, which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve with a space of one chain square including the cave, free from reservation with access by a foot-path two yards wide branching from I-8 *supra*, south of the well and running south-west to the cave.

(11) Field No. 233 of Govardhanagiri, measuring 25·36 acres, will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by the foot path No. 5 *supra*, which will be allowed as a foot and cattle path, six yards wide from Kottapet Fort up to the field, *vid* the Kottapet well.

(Signed) F. LODGE,
District Forest-officer.

(Signed) E. A. SMITH,
Forest Sett.-officer.

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# Board of Revenue

## (Land Revenue),

## MADRAS.

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**Proceedings, Forest No. 477, 4th November 1897.**

## NOVEMBER.

Submitting to Government, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, draft notification under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the North Dhone block, in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, Kurnool district, as a reserved forest.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

## (Land Revenue).

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897.

*Read*—the following letter from C. M. MULLALY, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 16th July 1896, Ref. on C. No. 996 Forest :—

I have the honour to forward herewith letter No. 576, dated 29th June 1896 (with its four enclosures), from the Forest Settlement-officer, submitting final report on the settlement of North Dhone reserve in Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, and to request that the draft final notification may be approved and published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The usual area statement is also enclosed. The area, as originally shown, appears to have been taken roughly off the taluk maps; the correct area, as now shown, has been computed from the large scale reserve map.

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Enclosure No. 1.

From E. A. SMITH, Esq., Forest Settlement-officer, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kurnool (through the District Forest-officer, Kurnool), dated Camp Indurvaripalam, 29th June 1896, No. 576.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed North Dhone reserve in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks of your district.

2. The initial notification proposing to constitute this area into a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 16th March 1888, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Forest Act was published in the *District Gazette*, dated 7th April 1888.

3. The Deputy Collector in charge of Ramallakota division was originally appointed to settle this block; subsequently the following officers were appointed :—

(1) M.R.Ry. C. Somasundra Sastriar Avargal;

(2) M.R.Ry. D. Jagannada Row Pantulu Garu;

(3) Mr. J. T. Lever;

(4) Mr. R. H. L. Lushington; and



lastly in notification published at page 1241 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 5th November 1895, I was appointed the Settlement-officer.

4. The reserve was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by M.R.Ry. C. Somasundra Sastriar Avargal. According to A register 26 claims were registered for this reserve but as the several rights claimed have been grouped together in some of the claims, the actual number of claims amounts to 54 claims for the following rights :—

(i) 10 claims to Government patta and inam lands.

(ii) 9 claims to graze cattle on hill, &c.

(iii) 8 claims to rights to the use of water for cattle, sheep and goats in guntas, &c., included in the reserve.

(iv) 17 claims to rights of way.

(v) 1 claim to reside in the Kottapet Fort.

(vi) 1 claim to fell timber and firewood.

(vii) 4 claims to worship at temples and a cave.

(viii) 1 claim to halt at the camping ground and to the use of the water of Venketeswaraswami well adjoining it.

(ix) 1 claim to a portion of Valasala agraharam.

(x) 1 claim to the enjoyment of twenty-seven tamarind trees.

(xi) 1 claim to a right of way to a temple.

Of the ten claims to Government patta and inam lands, eight claims were admitted, and the remaining two claims were rejected as the fields claimed lie outside the proposed reserve boundary Of the eight claims admitted, the fields in three cases have been acquired on payment of money compensation; those in four cases have been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary, while the field in the remaining one case has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with the necessary access. The claims to graze cattle, sheep, &c., on hills, &c., have been rejected, the claimants having no right to free grazing.

Of the eight claims to water cattle, sheep, &c., seven claims were admitted, and one rejected; of the seven claims admitted, the wells in one case have been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary. Of the seventeen claims to rights of way, fifteen claims were admitted and the remaining two claims rejected as unnecessary. The claim to reside in Kottapet Fort made on behalf of the family of Maddulete Nagadu was admitted, and the Fort has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with necessary access. The claim to fell timber and firewood free from the reserve was rejected. The claims to worship at the temples and to perform marriages and the claim to halt at the camping ground and to use the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes were admitted. The temple in one case has been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary, while those in the remaining three claims have been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as enclosures within the reserve free from reservation.

The claim to a portion of the Valasala agraharam alleged to have been included within the reserve was rejected, the land claimed having been found to belong to Government. The claim to the enjoyment of the usufruct of 27 tamarind trees was rejected, the claimant having no right to the trees. The claim to a right of way to a temple was admitted.

5. The reserve is thus free of all rights except those stated above.

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

(i) A signed copy of the B. Register of claims.

(ii) A draft notification under section 16.

(iii) The sketch-map of the reserve.

(iv) A survey map showing the land claimed by the shrotriemdar of Valasala.

7. The date from which reservation is to take effect has to be inserted in the draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—B. Register.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Area statement.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Sketch-map.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Survey map of the Valasala shrotriem.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 23rd July 1896, R.C. No. 215.

Forwarded.

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*Resolution*—Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897.

The settlement papers of the North Dhone reserve will be returned to the Collector for revision and resubmission with reference to the following remarks :—

(i) *Claim No.* 5.—The access to the guntas enters the reserve west of the south-east, and not the south-west corner of No. 36 of Dhone as given in the register and notification.

(ii) *Claim No.* 7.—It should have been stated whether fields Nos. 701 and 705 were acquired under the Land Acquisition Act or by private negotiation under the old rules.

(iii) The date of decision on claim No. 9 is 22nd February 1889, while that of the previous claim is 28th February 1889. The order of disposal should be attended to.

(iv) *Claim No.* 12.—No orders appear to have been passed on items 9 and 10 by the original Forest Settlement-officer. The omission has also escaped the notice of his successor Mr. Smith. The dimensions of the Kottapeta Fort, as given in the register, are different from those in the notification. The necessary rectification should be made during revision.

(v) *Claim No.* 16 (1).—The point of entrance of the foot and cattle path not being definitely fixed, certain pencil corrections have been made. This should be verified before resubmission.

(vi) *Claim No.* 17.—Survey No. 581 referred to in the description of the path (1) does not lie within the limits of *Gutapalli* as given in the register, but belongs to *Kottapalli* as recorded in the notification. Similarly, the fields Nos. 29 and 26 referred to in the description of path (3) do not seem to belong to *Dhone* as in the register, but to *Valasala* as given in the notification. The latter entry appears correct according to the map. This should be verified and the B register corrected accordingly.

(vii) *Claim No.* 18 (1).—This path enters the block at a point *east* and not *west* of the survey stone at the south-west corner of survey No. 454 as given in the register.



(viii) The path leading to the Venkatesvaraswami's temple from the well runs south-west according to the map and not south-east as given in the register.

(ix) Several of the guntas, wells and hills, &c., mentioned in the claim register have not been shown on the map. The Collector is requested to have them indicated on the sketch-map, even though they happen to be excluded from the reserve, in order to facilitate verification in this office.

(x) *Claim No.* 24.—The year 1890 appended to the note added by Mr. Smith is apparently a mistake for 1896.

2. The boundary description in the initial notification is not capable of verification on the sketch-map submitted.

3. An early reply is requested.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Kurnool, with six enclosures.

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READ—also the following letter from E. A. ELWIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 27th May 1897, R. C. No. 996 of 1895–96 :—

Adverting to Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897, returning the settlement papers of the North Dhone reserve for revision and resubmission, I have the honour to forward herewith letter, Ref. No. 15-Cur., dated 8th May 1897, from the Forest Settlement-officer and to state that some of the guntas, wells, &c., mentioned in the B register are still missing on the sketch-map, as the surveyor who has been ordered to survey and fix their positions has reported that the villagers themselves are unable to show them on the ground.

2. The boundary description in the initial notification could not, I find from the original papers, be drawn correctly in the absence of any proper sketch to scale and owing to the line selected passing through unsurveyed portions. The present sketch was prepared with the assistance of the Survey Party and of the local Surveyor attached to the district.

3. The six enclosures received with the Board's Proceedings under reference are herewith returned.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kurnool, dated Camp Nellore, 8th May 1897, Ref. on No. 15-Cur.

With reference to your endorsement, R.C. No. 996-For., dated 23rd January 1897, on Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 21, I have the honour to reply as follows :—

(i) Necessary corrections have been made.

(ii) A note has been added in the B register to the effect that the fields have been acquired under private negotiation under the old rules.

(iii) The date of decision, viz., 28th February 1889, in claim No. 8 is a clerical error for 22nd February 1889. Necessary correction has now been made.

(iv) Orders on items Nos. 9 and 10 in claim No. B-12 were passed by the original Forest Settlement-officer, but omitted in the abstract of the decision in the B register then prepared. This has now been attended to. Necessary corrections have been made in the B register.

(v) This has been attended to.

(vi) Necessary corrections have been made in the B register.

(vii) Necessary correction has been made.

(viii) Necessary correction has been made in the B register.

(ix) The District Forest-officer says that some of the guntas, &c., cannot be entered on the map as the villagers themselves are unable to show them on the ground. Wherever possible, they have been noted on the sketch-map.

(x) Necessary correction has been made.

2. I beg to invite your attention to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings and to request that this point may be attended to in the District Forest-officer's office.

3. The enclosures received with the endorsement are herewith resubmitted.



ENCLOSURE No. 2.

B. REGISTER of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed North Dhone reserved forest, Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, Kurnool district.

| No. | Names of claimants. | Date of presentation of claims. | Nature and extent of claims preferred. | Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of the claims. | Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him. | Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer. | Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of Final Appeal and Settlement. |
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| 1<br>A-12 | Mala Sunkadu of Dhone. | 12th Dec. 1888. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his inam land No. 618 of Dhone, measuring 4·67 acres. | The evidence of the karnam and his adangal show that the field in question is Sunkadu's inam and 4·67 acres are registered in his name. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the admission of claim and agrees to the purchase of land. | The claim is admitted as the District Forest-officer agrees to the exclusion of the land from the limits of the reserve by pushing back the line. The exclusion of 4·67 acres of No. 618 from the reserve by pushing back the line of demarcation is ordered.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th December 1888.<br>*Note.*—The field has since been acquired by payment of money compensation of Rs. 30 under the Land Acquisition Act.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 2<br>A-18 | Valasala Marigadu and Votti Maddigadu of Timmapuram, hamlet of Kamaganikuntla. | 13th Feb. 1889. | 20th June 1896.<br>Claim exclusion from the reserve of their patta land of Kamaganikuntla, comprising Nos. 187, 191, 192, 420, 184 and 185:— | .... | .... | As a matter of fact, I find on my inspection that these lands are not included in the reserve at all and the claimants admit that such is the case. The claim is therefore rejected.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>13th February 1889. | X .... |

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| 191 | 9·28 | 2 5 0 | 184 | 7·20 | 1 13 0 |
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| 3<br>A-15 | Boya Sunkadu and Fakirgaru of Bukkapuram. | 2nd Feb. 1889. | Claim exclusion of their patta lands Nos. 749 and 717 of Guttapalli, portions of which are included in the reserve. | .... | .... | On inspection the fields have been found to have been waste and overgrown with jungle. The claimants now say that they do not want the waste and withdraw the claim to the portion included in the reserve. The claim is therefore rejected.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>17th February 1889. | + .... |
| 4<br>A-8 | Kota Rangayya and others of Kamalapuram, hamlet of Malkapuram. | 29th June 1888. | Claims right to graze their cattle in Yerrakonda and Nagakonda, &c., hills of their village. | .... | .... | This claim is summarily rejected, as petitioners admit that these hills have not yet been included in any reserve.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>18th February 1889. | + .... |

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| 5 A-2 | Yaganty Reddi, village reddi of Dhone, of Venkatanayampalli. | 2nd June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the villagers of Venkatanayampalli, hamlet of Dhone: (1) The right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on the hills known as Vurakonda, Lakshmanapeta, Malakonda, Tuggillakonda, Badanulakonda, Gundla, Seta and Yerraguntla Bodu, all of which are included in the North Dhone reserve. (2) A right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of the village in Chavati Tirupatigunta, Basamagunta, Gundlavanigunta, Muniyannagunta, Boyammagunta and Asalagunta. | .... | The District Forest-officer protests and thinks that the claims to path-ways, &c., should be rejected. | The evidence of two witnesses, aged sixty years each establishes that the ryots of Venkatanayanampalli as a mamul have been grazing their cattle, sheep and goats in the hills referred to and watering in the kuntas named; and there is no reasonable doubt that the usage has existed for more than sixty years. This usage, however, does not establish claimant's right to grazing on the hills, as it is admitted that the Government have always had right to assign away portions of the hills for cultivation and other purposes and thus stop the grazing mamul of the claimants. The claim of right to graze is therefore rejected. I have inspected the kuntas referred to and find that Gundlavanigunta has breached and is in ruins, and no water can be stored in it. There has, therefore, been an interruption of the right to the use of its water. The claim, so far as relates to it, is rejected. The claim with regard to Avula Goruntlakunta also rejected is as I have reason to believe that it is not sixty years old, as the constructor of it is still alive as ascertained by me at the local inquiry, and he is not himself 60 years old. The following rights are admitted:— (1) Right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Venkatanayampalli in Boyammagunta with a right of way thereto *via* Chintamanisela or valley about a mile long and 6 feet wide. (2) Right to water the same in Muniyannagunta with a right of way thereto by the same sela or valley about ¾ mile long and 6 feet wide. (3) Right to water the same in Basuvagunta *via* Chintamanisela with right of way ¼ mile long and 6 feet wide. (4) Right to water the same in Chavati Tirupatigunta with a right of way about 1 mile long *via* Chintamanisela and Vasinadambodu. (Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st February 1889. *Note.*—Access to the above guntas will be by a path 2 yards wide entering the reserve about 4 chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 36 of Dhone and running in a south-easterly direction to the guntas. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th June 1896. | .... |
| 6 A-16 | Haveldar Hussain Sahib of Gutapalli. | 6th Feb. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of 2·92 acres of his Darga service inam land of Gutapalli, comprising No. 228 with an extent of 12·11 acres. | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish the claim. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the exclusion of the field from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary. | The claim is admitted having been established by the evidence of the karnam and his accounts. Its exclusion from the reserve is accordingly ordered by carrying out the boundary line of the reserve behind it. (Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, 21st February 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 7 A-17 | Syed Mahomed Sahib of Gutapalli. | Do. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his patta land of Gutapalli comprising numbers:— | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish the claim to the fields referred to. | .... | Fields Nos. 957 and 218 are wholly outside the reserve, and the claim with regard to them is therefore rejected. Numbers 701 (acres 6·76) and 705 (acres 2·68) are wholly within the reserve and at a distance of 404 and 454 yards, respectively, from the boundary line of the reserve. Thirty cents of No. 958, two cents of No. 220 and 2·67 acres of No. 693 which are also on the line of the reserve are found to be included in the reserve. The claim to them is therefore admitted. The District Forest-officer having no objection to the demarcation of the fields Nos. 958, 220 and 693 out of the reserve by carrying the line of the reserve behind them, the exclusion is ordered. The claimant having agreed to surrender all his rights to fields Nos. 701 and 705 accepting a compensation of Rs. 23-12-0, they are included in the reserve. (Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, 21st February 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired by private negotiation under the old rules. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 7th May 1897. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |

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| 8 A-4. | Gandu Mallappa, &c., of Peda Malkapuram. | 21st June 1888. | Claim right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats in the unsurveyed hills of Garladinne villages in the Pattikonda taluk. | .... | .... | This is summarily rejected as the petitioners themselves admit that these hills have not been included yet in any reserve, but it is only in contemplation to reserve them. (Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 22nd February 1889. | |
| 9 A-1. | Yaganta Reddi of Venkatanayampalli, hamlet of Dhone. | 2nd June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village (1) the right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on Tirumalappakonda, Pedda Pochalakonda, Surappasala and other hills included in the North Dhone reserve, and also (2) right to water their cattle, &c., in Gandlavanigunta, Indlochenchugunta, Pogulavanigunta and Kapuvanigunta. | .... | .... | The evidence adduced has established no right to graze their cattle on the hills referred to, but merely shows that the ryots have been in the enjoyment of a long standing privilege of grazing which could be stopped at the pleasure of the State. The claim of right to graze is accordingly rejected. Of the guntas referred to Indlochenchugunta, Pogulavanigunta and Kapuvanigunta are not included in any notified reserves. Gundlavanigunta has been in ruins and breached for some years and no water collects in it. If in previous years, the cattle, sheep and goats of Dhone had used the water in this gunta, there has been an interruption of the user for some 8 years past and no prescriptive right to the water has been established. The claim with regard to all the guntas referred to is therefore rejected. (Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, 22nd February 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Indlochenchugunta is partly included in the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th June 1896. | |
| 10 A-3. | Tippa Reddi of Kamaganikuntla. | 11th June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village the following— (*a*) Right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on Kanama Tirumuppakonda, Yerrakonda, Pedda Reddi bodu and Chinna Reddi bodu included in the North Dhone reserve and right to cut grass and leaves on the said hills for fodder and manure. (*b*) Right to water their cattle, sheep and goats in three spring wells situated in Timmarayadu Kanama included in the said hills. | Two witnesses aged 70 years depose to the existence of the mamuls claimed for more than sixty years. | The District Forest-officer contests the claim. | The claim to pasture and cut grass and leaves on the said hills, as a matter of right, is rejected as the claimants have been merely in the enjoyment of a privilege which the Government could have stopped at their pleasure. The claim to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the wells in Timmarayadu Kanama is admitted with right of way thereto 371 yards long from the line of the reserve to the wells. The wells being situated in a narrow hill valley to which cattle in hundreds from all the adjoining villages come in for water, there being very little space for the cattle to stand in, the entire width of the valley is usually occupied by the animals which are brought in to be watered. The whole width of the valley which is nearly 18 yards is therefore prescribed as the width of the way granted to the claimants. (Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th March 1889. *Note.*—The wells have since been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve (*vide* order on claim No. B-14 — A-11.) (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. | Appeal No. 1 of 1889. The District Forest-officer appealed against the order admitting right of way for cattle sheep and goats to the three wells on the ground that the right admitted is not in reality a right but merely a privilege. The Collector modified Forest Settlement-officer's order by reducing the way allowed to a width of 6 yards and in other respects confirmed the order and dismissed the appeal. (Sd.) G. F. T. POWER, Ag. Collector. 23rd July 1889. |
| 11 A-13 | Buddela Peddanna of Gutapalli. | 21st Jan. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve portion of his land of Gutapalli comprising Nos. 699 and 712 of which portions included are— No. 699 .. .. 2·88; " 712 .. .. 3·54; 6·42 | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish that the lands claimed are of petitioners. | 20th June 1896. The District Forest-officer has no objection to exclude the fields from the reserve by modification of the boundary line. | The claim is admitted having been established by the village accounts and the evidence of the karnam and the lands are ordered to be excluded from the reserve by carrying the line behind them. (Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th March 1889. | |

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| 12<br>A-5. | Madduleti Nagadu of Kottapet. | 11th Dec. 1888. | Claims the following rights:—<br>(1) A right to reside in the fort of Kottapet with his brothers and family, the fort being inside the proposed reserve.<br>(2) A right to the use by men and cattle of the water of the Kottapet well.<br>(3) A right on behalf of the Hindu public and pilgrims to worship throughout the year in the temple of Rangaswami.<br>(4) A right of way for the public and pilgrims from Sri Rangapuram to Rangaswami temple.<br>(5) A public right of way from Gutapalli *vid* Kottapet to the villages on the plain at the foot of Rangasawmi konda.<br>(6) A right to the use of foot-path from Kottapet to Sriranga-puram situated south-west of Kottapet fort and passing over the slope of Rangaswami konda.<br>(7) A right to worship in the temple of Anjanêyaswami situated inside the reserve opposite to the fort of Kottapet.<br>(8) Right to field No. 233 of Govardhanagiri called Parragachenu measuring 25·36 acres with right of way thereto.<br>(9) Right to graze his cattle on Rangaswamy konda, Bundla-chelamagunta, Gopalasamisela and Hanumantharayanisela.<br>(10) Right to fell timber for agricultural purposes or firewood. | The evidence of two very old witnesses establishes the several rights. Nos. 1 to 8 claimed of a longer standing than sixty years the patta produced by M. Nagadu establishes his claim to Parragachenu of No. 233. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the grant of the rights claimed and suggests that the forts, temples, wells and fields might be demarcated as enclosures within the reserve as they are on the top of a hill while the reserve line runs along its base. | On inspection of the locality the public ways and foot-paths claimed have every appearance of being long standing paths. The following rights are admitted:—<br>(1) Right of the claimant to reside with his family, cattle and stock in Kottapet fort measuring 81 yards east, 150 yards north, 124 yards south, and 7 yards west.<br>(2) Right to the Hindu public and pilgrims at all times of the year to worship in the temple of Rangaswami with right of way 1,414 yards long 3 feet wide from the foot of Elakalava-nigunta.<br>(3) Right to take water from and to water their cattle in Kottapet well.<br>(4) Right to occupy and cultivate patta F. No. 233 of Govardhanagiri measuring 25·36 acres with right of way thereto about 1,656 yards long 3 feet wide over Gopalaswamisela.<br>(5) Right of the claimant and his family to carry on worship in the temple of Anjanêyaswami 7⅓ yards × 5 yards situated 99 yards east of Kottapet fort gate.<br>(6) Right to the use of foot-path 3 furlongs long and 3 feet wide from Kottapet to the foot of the hill over its northern slope *via* Chakranasela or valley.<br>(7) Right to a public way for men, cattle, animals laden and unladen from Gutapalli to the plains of Govardhanagiri, Avuladoddi and other villages over Kottapet and Gedesalakanama 2 miles long and 6 feet wide.<br>(8) The temple of Rangaswami measuring 35 × 21 square yards, the causeway and staircase leading to it (74 × 7) square yards and the enclosure attached to it with a well thereon and situated to the east of the causeway measuring 136 × 31½ square yards be demarcated out free from reservation as an enclosure within the reserve.<br>(9) Forest No. 233 measuring 25·36 acres be similarly demarcated out free from reservation.<br>(10) The fort of Kottapet, the well of Kottapet and the temple of Anjanêyaswami be demarcated out of the reserve by carrying the boundary line of the reserve along the right hand margin of Gaditala Kanama and behind the Kottapet well and Anjanêyaswami temple.<br>The claim of right to pasture and fell timber is rejected.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th March 1889. | In Appeal Suit No. 2 of 1889 on the file of the Collector of Kurnool that part of Forest Settlement-officer's order directing the alteration, of the boundary of the reserve has been set aside and the fort, the temple of Anjaneyaswami and the well have been ordered to be demarcated out as enclosures within the reserve free from reservation with right of way thereto six yards wide.<br>(Sd.) G. F T POWER,<br>Ag. Collector.<br>23rd July 1889. |
| | *Note.*—The access to the Rangaswami temple has been allowed to a width of two yards for men and cattle—*vide* order on claim No. 15-7. Access for men and cattle to the Kottapet well is by a path 6 yards wide from Kottapet fort to the well and by a foot and cattle path 6 feet wide and 735 yards long from Rangaswami temple. No 7 forms the access to the Kottapet fort and will be 6 yards wide. It enters the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 558 of Govardhanagiri and runs south-east to the fort. Access to Rangaswami temple is by a foot and cattle path 6 feet wide entering the reserve near the south-east corner of survey No. 583 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the temple.<br>Access to F. No. 233 is by the path allowed to the Kottapet well from the fort and by the path admitted in claim No. 7-14 (2).<br>Access to Anjanêyaswami temple is by a path 6 yards wide from Kottapet fort running east to the temple.<br>No. 8 enters the reserve about four chains north of the northernmost corner of No. 218 of Gutapalli and running in a westerly direction *via* Polymera Anjanêyaswami temple and Kottapet well for about 2 miles and 2 furlongs leaves the reserve near the southernmost corner of survey No. 555 of Govardhanagiri.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | | | | | | |
| 13<br>A-6. | Timma Reddi of Lakshmipalli on behalf of the ryots of his village. | 21st June 1888. | Claims the following rights:—<br>(1) The right to graze the cattle, sheep and goats of his village in Timmama Gadda included in the North Dhone reserve.<br>(2) The right to water the same cattle, sheep and goats in the vanka flowing through Motukursela or hill valley. The cattle path leading to it enters the reserve on the east of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri and runs through it east-south-east. Its length is five furlongs and its width six yards. | With regard to right to pasture no right has been established. With regard to the right to water three witnesses have been examined one of whom is seventy years old and their evidence establishes the continued exercise of the right. This enters the reserve east of the south-east corner of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri and runs in an east-south-easterly direction to the vanka, the length inside the reserve being about five furlongs. | The District Forest-officer objects to the claim. | The claim of right to pasture is rejected, as no such right has been established but merely the enjoyment of a long continued privilege which could be stopped at the pleasure of Government. The claim of right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Lakshmipalli in Matukatalavagu up to Motukur Selacheru with a right of way thereto is admitted.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889. | Appeal No. 3 of 1889. The District Forest-officer appealed against the order admitting the right of the ryot of Lakshmipalli to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the Motukursela vagu on the ground that the right admitted is not in reality a right but merely a privilege exercised at the will and pleasure of Government. The right of way to the water which the Forest Settlement-officer has allowed is not excessive and the order is affirmed and the appeal dismissed.<br>23rd July 1889.<br>(Sd.) G. F. T. POWER,<br>Ag. Collector. |
| B-14<br>A-11 | Timmagadu of Kamaganikuntla | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims on behalf of himself and the Hindu public the right of carrying on worship in the said temple of Kanama Timmarayadu at all times of the year, right to take water from three wells in the said Kanama for the purpose of the worship and the right to the enjoyment of the usufructs of 27 tamarind trees situated around the said well, all of these being included in the proposed North Dhone reserve. | The evidence of three witnesses, one of whom is aged 70 years, establishes the antiquity of the temple and the wells referred to. With regard to tamarind trees the evidence is of the vaguest kind. | The District Forest-officer admits claim to the temple and wells and requests exclusion of the same from the reserve but disputes the claim to the enjoyment of 27 tamarind trees. | The claim to carry on worship in the temple at all times of the year by the Hindu general public and to take water from the two wells now in existence for the purpose of worship is admitted. It is ordered that the temple of Kanama Timmarayadu which is situated on the slope of the Timmarayadu konda and occupies a ground measuring 14 × 7 square yards, the causeway and the staircase leading to the temple from the foot of the hill measuring 77 × 5 yards and 2½ inches and two wells still in existence measuring 9 yards 1 foot × 5 yards 2½ inches and 7 yards × 5 yards 2 feet, respectively, be demarcated out of the reserve by carrying the line behind them. With regard to tamarind trees claimed, the evidence is of the vaguest kind and the claimant himself is very contradictory. In his petition to me, he claimed 10 or 12 trees how many. The claimant holds no tree patta. He claims at the time of enquiry 27 trees. The witnesses say he has been enjoying some trees but do not know which and how many. The trees are all situated in a porramboke. The claim to the tamarind trees is therefore rejected.<br>15th March 1889.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | |
| 15<br>A-7. | Timma Reddi of Srirangapuram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | 21st June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village the following rights:—<br>(1) The right to graze the cattle, sheep and goats of his village on the hills to the east of it included in the North Dhone reserve.<br>(2) The right to water their cattle, sheep and goats in Rangasawmi's well and Kottapet well with the mamul rights of way thereto. | Right to pasturage has not been established.<br>Two witnesses, one of whom is aged 60 years, speaks to the existence of mamul of watering their cattle, sheep and goats of Srirangapuram in the wells referred to. | .... | The claim of right to pasturage is rejected as no such right has been established but only the existence of a mamul privilege of grazing which could be stopped at the pleasure of Government.<br>2. The exclusion of the Kottapet well from the reserve and the demarcation of the ground in which Rangaswami's hill is situated as an enclosure inside the reserve has already been ordered in claim No. B-12—A-5. The pathway to Rangaswami's well is the same as the one allowed for pilgrims to Rangaswami's temple in claim No. B-12—A-5. Its length is 1,414 yards and its width 6 feet. The pathway to Kottapet well claimed is a continuation of the aforesaid Rangaswami's temple to Kottapet well. It is 735 yards long 6 feet wide. The right to the use of this path by the cattle, sheep and goats of Srirangapuram throughout the year is also admitted.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>15th March 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. | |

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| 16<br>A-10. | Chandu Zamama of Erraguntla. | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims the following rights :—<br>✓ (1) The foot and cattle path from Erraguntla to the wells at Kanama Timmarayadu *via* Nellasela which enters the reserve about four chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 634 of Dhone and runs almost northwards and leaves it at the temple. Its length is one mile one furlong and its width six feet. This pathway is used to water cattle, sheep and goats of Erraguntla and fetch water in pots and on buffaloes.<br>✓ (2) The cart-track from Erraguntla to Dhone Bugga between the 188 Telegraph post 46th mile and the 30 Telegraph post 45th mile. | No. 1 enters the reserve about 4 chains north of the north-west corner of No. 634 of Dhone and running in an almost northerly direction for about 1 mile 1 furlong leaves it at the temple. No. 2 enters the reserve nearly 4 chains south of Telegraph post No. 281—7 and running south of Railway line parallel to it leaves the reserve at Telegraph post No. 279—11, the length inside the reserve being about 2 miles (the existence of the rights claimed and the use of the mamul paths for more than 60 years is established by the evidence of three aged witnesses). | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the claim. | The claim is admitted having been established by the evidence of witnesses who say the rights claimed have been in existence for more than sixty years. The rights of way through the North Dhone reserve are allowed.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—The cart-track will be admitted to a width of six yards, the length inside the reserve being two miles.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 17<br>A-14. | Daram Nagi Reddi of Nagamala gunta. | 21st Jan. 1889. | Claims on behalf of the residents of Nagamala gunta the following rights :—<br>✓ (1) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to Bukkapuram well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagamala gunta which enters the reserve about five chains south-east of the south-west corner of Pymaish No. 717 of Gutapalli, runs through it south-south-east and leaves it at a point eleven chains west of the place known as Yelekabandala Chelaka. Its length is 11½ miles and its width 3 feet.<br>✓ (2) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to Kottapet well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagamala gunta which enters the reserve on the top of Mokalla Kanama Bodu and runs north-north-west to the well *via* F. No. 233. Its length is one mile three furlongs and its width six feet.<br>(3) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to the Valasala well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagamala gunta which enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapetu, runs south-west and leaves the reserve at Relamanikonda. Its length is 1½ miles and its width 6 feet.<br>(4) A right of way from Nagamalagunta to Govardhanagiri tank to take cattle, sheep, and goats of Nagamalagunta to drink brackish water of the tank which enters the reserve seven chains south of the westernmost corner of Pymash No. 228 of Gutapalli and runs north-west through the reserve. Its length is 2½ miles and width 6 feet.<br>(5) A right of way to wells at Rahimanpuram and Gutapalli.<br>(6) A right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats in the hills adjoining the villages. | The evidence of two aged witnesses establishes the continued exercise of the mamul rights claimed for more than 60 years.<br>(1) This enters the reserve east of Mandavani gunta and running south-east for about 6½ furlongs leaves it at the place known as Yelekabandalachelaka southern peak about 13 chains north-west of the north-west corner of No. 581 of Kottapalli.<br>(2) This enters the reserve near the top of Mokkallakanamabodu and runs in a north-north-westerly direction for about 1 mile and 3 furlongs to the well.<br>(3) This enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapettu, runs through it south-west and north-west and leaves it 1 furlong north of the westernmost corner of survey No. 29 of Valasala. It re-enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 26 of Valasala inside the reserve and running in a south-westerly direction leaves it east of Relamanikonda, the length inside the reserve being 1 mile 2 furlongs.<br>(4) This enters the reserve about 2 furlongs south-west of Mokkallakanamabodu and running north-west for about 1½ miles leaves the reserve about 1½ furlongs south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 547 of Govardhanagiri. | .... | There can be no reasonable doubt of the continued exercise of those rights for more than sixty years, the claim is accordingly admitted.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—No. 1 forms part of the path from Valasala to Avuladoddi admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3). Before the Valasala boundary was settled it was thought that Nelamanigunta lay outside the reserve and consequently only a right of way to it was allowed, but as it is now found that the gunta lies within the reserve a right to the use of its water by men and cattle is now admitted. The way to it branches from the path admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3) and runs west to the gunta.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 18<br>A-19. | Buddu Reddi, head of the village of Cherlakottur, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | 18th Feb. 1889. | Claims on behalf of the villagers of his village rights of way over the undermentioned pathways :—<br>(1) The cattle path from Cherlakottur to Venkataswaraswami's well which enters the reserve at a point about 1¼ chains east of the survey stone at the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla and runs south-east to the well. This very path continues in a southerly direction to Nelamani gunta which is about two miles from the reserve line and a mile north-north-west of Valasala. Its length is three furlongs and width six yards.<br>(2) The cattle path from Avuladoddi to Nelamani gunta *via* Yerrakanama to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Avuladodi when there is water in Nelamanigunta, the pathway being the same as the public way from Avuladoddi to Valasala. Its length is two miles and its width six yards. | The evidence of two witnesses aged 60 years each establishes the mamul rights claimed from the days of their boyhood. | .... | There can be no reasonable doubt of the continued exercise of those rights for more than sixty years, the claim is accordingly admitted.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—No. 1 forms part of the path from Valasala to Avuladoddi admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3). Before the Valasala boundary was settled it was thought that Nelamanigunta lay outside the reserve and consequently only a right of way to it was allowed, but as it is now found that the gunta lies within the reserve a right to the use of its water by men and cattle is now admitted. The way to it branches from the path admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3) and runs west to the gunta.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 19<br>A-21. | Vadlamudi China Venkata of Gutapalli. | 6th Mar. 1889. | Claims field No. 239 of Gutapalli measuring 4·35 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-3-0 included in the reserve as a personal enfranchised inam purchased by him at a Revenue sale. | The karnam's accounts show that the inam is registered in the public accounts in the name of claimant and the karnam says that claimant has been paying its assessment since he has become karnam of the village. | .... | There can be no doubt as to the validity of the claim. The claim for 4·35 acres of inam field No. 239 of Gutapalli is admitted and the land is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by carrying the line of the reserve behind it.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>21st March 1889.<br>*Note.*—The field has since been acquired by payment of money compensation of Rs. 41-4-0 under the Land Acquisition Act.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |

## B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed North Dhone reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

| No. | Names of claimants. | Date of presentation of claims. | Nature and extent of claims preferred. | Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of claims. | Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him. | Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer. | Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of Final Appeal and Settlement. |
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| 20<br>A-20 | Vadla Gyana Ayya of Gutapalli in the Nandyal taluk. | 29th Feb. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of a portion measuring 2·36 acres of his inam field No. 199 of Gutapalli. | The karnam's evidence and his accounts show that field No. 199, measuring 16·18 acres, assessed at Rs. 8-1-0 is an inam registered as such in the name of the claimant. | The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of boundary. | The claimant, who is illeterate, says that about half an acre of his field has been included in the reserve. The karram estimated it at 2·25 acres. I therefore deputed a Revenue Inspector to have the field carefully measured and report such extent as is included in the reserve Its actual extent on measurement is 13·90 and of the portion included is 2·36 acres. The claim for the portion, 2·36 acres of No. 199, included in the reserve is accordingly admitted and it is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by pushing the line further back<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>12th April 1889. | .... |
| 21<br>A-23 | Nagamalla gunta, inamdar of Dhone. | 7th July 1890. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his patta land No 677 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, comprising an unsurveyed area of 4 acres, assessed at Re. 1. | Verified by the village accounts. | The District Forest-officer wishes the exclusion of the land by an alteration of the boundary. | The claim is admitted having been verified by the village accounts and the land is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by alteration of its boundary.<br>(Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>CAMP DHONE, Forest Sett.-officer.<br>12th July 1890. | .... |
| 22<br>A-24 | Durgam Tunna Reddi of Sriranga-puram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | Do. | Claims right of way between the shrine of Polimera Anjaneya and the temple of Rangaswami. | .... | .... | In claim No. B-12-A-5 of the North Dhone reserve, a pathway has been allowed through the reserve from Gutapalli in the Nandyal taluk to the plains of Govardhanagiri and the villages in the Ramallakota taluk *via* Kottapet and Gadidela Kanama and continues to the temple of Rangaswami from Srirangapuram on the west, but the continuation of Gutapalli Govardhanagiri path which runs from Polimera Anjaneya to the temple of Rangaswami has not hitherto been allowed. It is by that continuation of path that the people from the villages on the east side of the hills in the Nandyal taluk get access to Rangaswami's temple and if it is not allowed, the temple will virtually be closed to them. It is also said that the general public going from Srirangapuram side to Gutapalli largely use this path. Under these circumstances, the claim is admitted in the name of the general public. Length about three furlongs, width two yards.<br>CAMP DHONE,<br>12th July 1890. (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—This branches from Gutapalli-Govardhanagiri foot and cattle path admitted in claim No. B 12-A-5 at the Polimera Anjaneyaswamis' temple and runs north-west to the temple of Rangaswami.<br>20th June 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 23<br>A-25. | Mudum Ramasawmy, karnam of Kamaganikuntla. | 8th July 1890. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of the cave of Venkataswami with a space round it, both measuring one chain square and situated about thirty chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla in the Ramallakota taluk, together with the right of the Hindu general public to worship at the cave and to perform marriages on the space round it. | The rights claimed are proved by the evidence of two witnesses to have been exercised from time immemorial. | The District Forest-officer desires that the cave and space around it can be retained as enclosures. | The claim is admitted in the name of the Hindu general public, and the cave and the space round it, both measuring one chain square, are ordered to be excluded from the proposed reserve but kept as an enclosure in it, itself being free from reservation with the right of the Hindu general public to worship at the cave and to perform marriages on the space round it during the day time only and with access to the cave by a path running from the well below the cave in a south-westerly direction for three chains with a width of two yards.<br>CAMP DHONE,<br>12th July 1890. (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—Access to the cave is by a foot-path two yards wide branching from the Valasala-Avuladoddi path admitted in claim No. 26 (3)—22 south of the well and running south-west to the cave.<br>20th June 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 24<br>A-26. | Muliyam Ramasawmi of Dhone, karnam of Kamaganikuntla. | Do. | Claims the right of the Hindu general public worshipping and celebrating marriages at the cave of Venkateswarulu, referred in claim No. B-23—A-25 to halt during the day time on the camping ground lying south of and adjoining the Venkataswamulu's well and measuring two chains square and light fires and cook meals using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes | The right claimed is proved to have been exercised from a very long time. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to make. | The claim is admitted in the name of the Hindu general public and their right to halt at the camping ground adjoining the Venkataswamiswami's well, measuring two chains square and light fires and cook meals during the day time only using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes is allowed.<br>CAMP DHONE,<br>12th July 1890. (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—Access to the camping ground is by the Valasala-Avuladoddi path admitted in claim No. B-26—A-22 (3).<br>12th July 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 25<br>A-9. | Janabkhat Bibi on behalf of her minor son Sultan Morad Hussain Khan, Jaghirdar of Valasala. | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims exclusion from the proposed North Dhone reserve of some forest, measuring about 177·12 acres said to belong to the Jagiri village of Valasala. | .... | .... | It is true that the claimant has produced some witnesses to prove that the village boundaries are as claimed by her, but I do not think it safe to rely on oral evidence in a case like this, and there is unfortunately no written evidence to show what the boundaries really are. The inam title-deed was issued for field 575-66 acres. The area of the porambokes was not included in that given in the title-deed. The paimash fields of the village (112 in number) referred to in the paimaish register for the village for Fasli No. 1253 (A.D. 1842–43) are not now identifiable on the ground and it was with the object of ascertaining their position as also the area of the village as claimed by the claimant that a survey was ordered and the land claimed was surveyed in four blocks. The Superintendent of Madras Revenue Survey, under whose direction the survey of the village of Valasala was made, said that it is not possible to plot the paimash fields on the map and that to plot a line, correct distance and direction are both required whereas the distance given in the paimash register is only approximate and the direction is so vague that plotting is impossible and thus north may mean any bearing between 315° north-west and 48° north-east. He, however, says that fields Nos. 1 to 25 and 33 to 37 containing on aggregate area of 233·36 acres probably but that too doubtfully form part of the disputed ground. If he had said with any approach to accuracy that the said area lies within the disputed ground, I would have allowed it out of the reserve. It is not known where to allow it as the direction of the fields is so very vague that north may mean any bearing between north-west and north-east and so on. No doubt there is small amount of cultivation on the west and east sides of block No. 2 and here and there in block 3, but the evidence produced by the claimant does not show why the cultivation existed. At any rate there is no evidence to show that the right of Government to it is debarred by limitation. Considering, however, the large area left in the possession of the claimant outside the proposed reserve, I am of opinion that no right has been established on behalf of the claimant to the area included in the reserve. The claim is therefore rejected *in toto*.<br>30th June 1891. (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | In Appeal Suit No. 62 of 1891 on the file of the District Court of Kurnool, the decision of Forest Settlement-officer has been confirmed on the ground that the appellant has not shown any title to the land in dispute and the appeal dismissed.<br>(Sd.) M. R. WELD,<br>District Judge.<br>11th Jan. 1892. |

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| 25<br>A-22. | Jaghirdar of Valasala. | 7th July 1890. | Claims right of way over the undermentioned foot and cattle paths :—<br>(1) From Valasala to Kamaganikuntla which enters the reserve at a point about half a mile north-west of Kottagunta in survey No. 673 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, runs through it in a north-westerly direction and leaves it at the temple of Kanama Timmarayadu. Its length through the reserve is about two and half miles and its width two yards. This pathway is also used by cattle of Valasala, going to well at Timmarayadu temple for water.<br>(2) From Valasala to Bogolu which enters the reserve at a point about twenty chains south of Pusamanigunta which is in the reserve, runs first northwards and then north-west and leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogolu. This pathway is also used by the cattle of Valasala, going to Bogolu tank for water. Its length through the reserve is two miles and its width two yards.<br>(3) From Valasala to Avuladoddi which enters the reserve at the head of Turakavadisela, runs via Nelamvadigunta and Venkataswarlu bhavi in almost northerly direction and joins the Avuladoddi and Nelavanigunta at Venkateswara bhavi. Its length through the reserve is about two and half miles and its width two yards.<br>(4) From Valasala to Govardhanagiri which branches off from the above-mentioned path at a point about one and a half chains north of the field called Bojjavanichena, runs first in a north-easterly direction and then in an almost northerly direction and leaves it at a point about one chain south of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri. Its length is about three miles and its width two chains.<br>(5) From Valasala to Chenabanda.<br>(6) Right to use water of Venkataswara bhavi. | One witness was examined for claimant who proves that the pathways Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been in use from a long time and stated that he does not know anything about the fifth pathway.<br>No. 1 enters the reserve, about three furlongs north-west of Kottagunta in survey No. 673 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about one mile, joins the path from Erragunta, admitted in claim No B-16—A-10 (1) south of the temple of Timmarayadu.<br>No. 2 enters the reserve, south-east of Pusamanigunta and running through it in a north-north-westerly direction for about two miles, leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogolu.<br>No. 3 enters the reserve, two furlongs west of Ralamanikonda and running first north and then north-west for about two miles and two furlongs leaves the reserve, four chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla.<br>No. 4 branches from the above, about seven chains north of the point of its entrance and running in a northerly direction for about two miles and three furlongs, leaves the reserve about three chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to offer. | The claim is admitted in the name of the general public and pathways Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 are as usual allowed through the reserve and the claim so far as it relates to pathway No. 5 is rejected. The right to use the water of Venkataswara bhavi is admitted.<br>(Signed) J. T. LEVER,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>RAJAHMUNDRY,<br>7th October 1893.<br>*Note.*—Right of way to the above bhavi will be by pathway No. 4.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |



ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft Notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

STATEMENT of area and condition to accompany the notification under section 16 for the North Dhone reserve in the taluks of Nandyal and Ramallakota.

| Total area of the taluk. | Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands. | Area of reserves already notified under section 16. | Area of reserves under settlement. | Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16. | | | Character of the land proposed. | How much forest. | How much grass land. |
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| | | | | Number. | Name of block. | Area. | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Ramallakota .. .. acs. 541,440<br>Nandyal .. .. 546,560 | acs.<br>Ramallakota—<br>Occupied .. .. 228,018<br>Unoccupied .. .. 197,120<br>Nandyal—<br>Occupied .. .. 141,320<br>Unoccupied .. .. 307,913 | acs.<br>Ramallakota. .. .. 14,418<br>Nandyal .. .. 107,160 | acs.<br>Ramallakota .. .. 2,819<br>Nandyal .. .. 22,400 | 15 | North Dhone. | 14,346 acres. | Gneissic hills covered with the remains of an old Yepi (Hardwickia) forest. | All forest, more or less open, with pasture below. | .... |

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Sketch-map.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Survey map of the Valasala Shrotriem.

ENCLOSURE No. 7.—Forest Settlement-officer's report returned with Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1887.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 7th June 1897, R.C. No. 2501.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 477, dated 4th November 1897.

The draft final notification, revised and received with the letter read above, will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* with the recommendation that the 1st March next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. The several rights admitted in the draft notification should, during revision, have been classified and indicated on the map by serial numbers as per instructions issued in Board's Proceedings, No. 578, dated 18th December 1896.

3. (*a*) The block, though recorded as lying in the Ramallakota and Pattikonda taluks in the initial notification, is now located in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks as per area statement. This discrepancy requires explanation.

(*b*) In this connection, it is observed that the figures given in column 3 of the area statement in respect of the Nandyal taluk cannot be verified in this office. *Sirvel* and *Nandyal* blocks lying in more than one taluk have, respectively, an area of 116,730 and 185,700 acres, of which 15,358 and 1,995 acres have, respectively, been

excluded as per statement of area of reserved forests appended to the Administration report for 1895–96. As rangewar particulars are given in the Administration report, the area of the blocks lying in each of the taluks cannot be ascertained. The Collector is, therefore, requested to furnish the necessary talukwar particulars at an early date. Opportunity should also be taken to furnish similar information in respect of the Cumbum reserve in the Cumbum and Markapur taluks after deducting the area of the exclusions in the reserve made subsequent to the date of final notification.

4. From the Collector's reply to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings read above, it would appear that the vagueness of the initial notification is due to the want of a proper sketch at the time of the issue of the initial notification, and to the fact that the boundary line selected had to pass through unsurveyed tracts. There seems to be no reason to doubt that the boundary as settled falls within the limits intended to be notified under section 4 and no one can in practice suffer from vagueness in a notification as section 6 of the Act provides for the service of a separate notice on all reputed owners or occupiers of lands in or adjoining a proposed reserve.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with draft notifications (one original and two printed)
and a sketch-map of the block and survey map of
the Valasala shrotriem (to be returned).

Rd. Md. Pahilvan.

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## REVENUE.

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## G.O., Nos. 1067, 1067A, 17th December 1897.

## DECEMBER.

### Reserved Forest.

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the North Dhone block, in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Kurnool District Gazettes.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 477, dated 4th November 1897 :—

*Read*—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897.

Read—the following letter from C. M. MULLALY, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 16th July 1896, Ref. on C. No. 996 Forest :—

I have the honour to forward herewith letter No. 576, dated 29th June 1896 (with its four enclosures), from the Forest Settlement-officer, submitting final report on the settlement of North Dhone reserve in Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, and to request that the draft final notification may be approved and published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The usual area statement is also enclosed. The area, as originally shown, appears to have been taken roughly off the taluk maps; the correct area, as now shown, has been computed from the large scale reserve map.

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Enclosure No. 1.

From E. A. SMITH, Esq., Forest Settlement-officer, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kurnool (through the District Forest-officer, Kurnool), dated Camp Indurvaripalam, 29th June 1896, No. 576.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed North Dhone reserve in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks of your district.

2. The initial notification proposing to constitute this area into a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 16th March 1888, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Forest Act was published in the *District Gazette*, dated 7th April 1888.

3. The Deputy Collector in charge of Ramallakota division was originally appointed to settle this block; subsequently the following officers were appointed :—

(1) M.R.Ry. C. Somasundra Sastriar Avargal;

(2) M.R.Ry. D. Jagannada Row Pantulu Garu;

(3) Mr. J. T. Lever;

(4) Mr. R. H. L. Lushington; and



lastly in notification published at page 1241 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 5th November 1895, I was appointed the Settlement-officer.

4. The reserve was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by M.R.Ry. C. Somasundra Sastriar Avargal. According to A register 26 claims were registered for this reserve but as the several rights claimed have been grouped together in some of the claims, the actual number of claims amounts to 54 claims for the following rights :—

(i) 10 claims to Government patta and inam lands.

(ii) 9 claims to graze cattle on hill, &c.

(iii) 8 claims to rights to the use of water for cattle, sheep and goats in guntas, &c., included in the reserve.

(iv) 17 claims to rights of way.

(v) 1 claim to reside in the Kottapet Fort.

(vi) 1 claim to fell timber and firewood.

(vii) 4 claims to worship at temples and a cave.

(viii) 1 claim to halt at the camping ground and to the use of the water of Venketeswaraswami well adjoining it.

(ix) 1 claim to a portion of Valasala agraharam.

(x) 1 claim to the enjoyment of twenty-seven tamarind trees.

(xi) 1 claim to a right of way to a temple.

Of the ten claims to Government patta and inam lands, eight claims were admitted, and the remaining two claims were rejected as the fields claimed lie outside the proposed reserve boundary Of the eight claims admitted, the fields in three cases have been acquired on payment of money compensation; those in four cases have been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary, while the field in the remaining one case has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with the necessary access. The claims to graze cattle, sheep, &c., on hills, &c., have been rejected, the claimants having no right to free grazing.

Of the eight claims to water cattle, sheep, &c., seven claims were admitted, and one rejected; of the seven claims admitted, the wells in one case have been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary. Of the seventeen claims to rights of way, fifteen claims were admitted and the remaining two claims rejected as unnecessary. The claim to reside in Kottapet Fort made on behalf of the family of Maddulete Nagadu was admitted, and the Fort has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with necessary access. The claim to fell timber and firewood free from the reserve was rejected. The claims to worship at the temples and to perform marriages and the claim to halt at the camping ground and to use the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes were admitted. The temple in one case has been excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary, while those in the remaining three claims have been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as enclosures within the reserve free from reservation.

The claim to a portion of the Valasala agraharam alleged to have been included within the reserve was rejected, the land claimed having been found to belong to Government. The claim to the enjoyment of the usufruct of 27 tamarind trees was rejected, the claimant having no right to the trees. The claim to a right of way to a temple was admitted.

5. The reserve is thus free of all rights except those stated above.

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

(i) A signed copy of the B. Register of claims.

(ii) A draft notification under section 16.

(iii) The sketch-map of the reserve.

(iv) A survey map showing the land claimed by the shrotriemdar of Valasala.

7. The date from which reservation is to take effect has to be inserted in the draft notification.

Enclosure No. 2.—B. Register.

Enclosure No. 3.—Draft notification.

Enclosure No. 4.—Area statement.

Enclosure No. 5.—Sketch-map.

Enclosure No. 6.—Survey map of the Valasala shrotriem.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 23rd July 1896, R.C. No. 215.

Forwarded.

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Resolution—Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897.

The settlement papers of the North Dhone reserve will be returned to the Collector for revision and resubmission with reference to the following remarks :—

(i) *Claim No.* 5.—The access to the guntas enters the reserve west of the south-east, and not the south-west corner of No. 36 of Dhone as given in the register and notification.

(ii) *Claim No.* 7.—It should have been stated whether fields Nos. 701 and 705 were acquired under the Land Acquisition Act or by private negotiation under the old rules.

(iii) The date of decision on claim No. 9 is 22nd February 1889, while that of the previous claim is 28th February 1889. The order of disposal should be attended to.

(iv) *Claim No.* 12.—No orders appear to have been passed on items 9 and 10 by the original Forest Settlement-officer. The omission has also escaped the notice of his successor Mr. Smith. The dimensions of the Kottapeta Fort, as given in the register, are different from those in the notification. The necessary rectification should be made during revision.

(v) *Claim No.* 16 (1).—The point of entrance of the foot and cattle path not being definitely fixed, certain pencil corrections have been made. This should be verified before resubmission.

(vi) *Claim No.* 17.—Survey No. 581 referred to in the description of the path (1) does not lie within the limits of *Gutapalli* as given in the register, but belongs to *Kottapalli* as recorded in the notification. Similarly, the fields Nos. 29 and 26 referred to in the description of path (3) do not seem to belong to *Dhone* as in the register, but to *Valasala* as given in the notification. The latter entry appears correct according to the map. This should be verified and the B register corrected accordingly.

(vii) *Claim No.* 18 (1).—This path enters the block at a point *east* and not *west* of the survey stone at the south-west corner of survey No. 454 as given in the register.



(viii) The path leading to the Venkatesvaraswami's temple from the well runs south-west according to the map and not south-east as given in the register.

(ix) Several of the guntas, wells and hills, &c., mentioned in the claim register have not been shown on the map. The Collector is requested to have them indicated on the sketch-map, even though they happen to be excluded from the reserve, in order to facilitate verification in this office.

(x) *Claim No.* 24.—The year 1890 appended to the note added by Mr. Smith is apparently a mistake for 1896.

2. The boundary description in the initial notification is not capable of verification on the sketch-map submitted.

3. An early reply is requested.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Kurnool, with six enclosures.

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*Read*—also the following letter from E. A. ELWIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 27th May 1897, R. C. No. 996 of 1895-96 :—

Adverting to Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1897, returning the settlement papers of the North Dhone reserve for revision and resubmission, I have the honour to forward herewith letter, Ref. No. 15-Cur., dated 8th May 1897, from the Forest Settlement-officer and to state that some of the guntas, wells, &c., mentioned in the B register are still missing on the sketch-map, as the surveyor who has been ordered to survey and fix their positions has reported that the villagers themselves are unable to show them on the ground.

2. The boundary description in the initial notification could not, I find from the original papers, be drawn correctly in the absence of any proper sketch to scale and owing to the line selected passing through unsurveyed portions. The present sketch was prepared with the assistance of the Survey Party and of the local Surveyor attached to the district.

3. The six enclosures received with the Board's Proceedings under reference are herewith returned.

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Enclosure No. 1.

From E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kurnool, dated Camp Nellore, 8th May 1897, Ref. on No. 15-Cur.

With reference to your endorsement, R.C. No. 996-For., dated 23rd January 1897, on Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 21, I have the honour to reply as follows :—

(i) Necessary corrections have been made.

(ii) A note has been added in the B register to the effect that the fields have been acquired under private negotiation under the old rules.

(iii) The date of decision, viz., 28th February 1889, in claim No. 8 is a clerical error for 22nd February 1889. Necessary correction has now been made.

(iv) Orders on items Nos. 9 and 10 in claim No. B-12 were passed by the original Forest Settlement-officer, but omitted in the abstract of the decision in the B register then prepared. This has now been attended to. Necessary corrections have been made in the B register.

(v) This has been attended to.

(vi) Necessary corrections have been made in the B register.

(vii) Necessary correction has been made.

(viii) Necessary correction has been made in the B register.

(ix) The District Forest-officer says that some of the guntas, &c., cannot be entered on the map as the villagers themselves are unable to show them on the ground. Wherever possible, they have been noted on the sketch-map.

(x) Necessary correction has been made.

2. I beg to invite your attention to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings and to request that this point may be attended to in the District Forest-officer's office

3. The enclosures received with the endorsement are herewith resubmitted.

Enclosure No. 2.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed North Dhone reserved forest, Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks, Kurnool district.

| No. | Names of claimants. | Date of presentation of claims. | Nature and extent of claims preferred. | Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of the claims. | Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him. | Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer. | Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of Final Appeal and Settlement. |
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| 1<br>A-12 | Mala Sunkadu of Dhone. | 12th Dec. 1888. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his inam land No. 618 of Dhone, measuring 4·67 acres. | The evidence of the karnam and his adangal show that the field in question is Sunkadu's inam and 4·67 acres are registered in his name. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the admission of claim and agrees to the purchase of land. | The claim is admitted as the District Forest-officer agrees to the exclusion of the land from the limits of the reserve by pushing back the line. The exclusion of 4·67 acres of No. 618 from the reserve by pushing back the line of demarcation is ordered.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th December 1888.<br>*Note.*—The field has since been acquired by payment of money compensation of Rs. 30 under the Land Acquisition Act.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 2<br>A-18 | Valasala Marigadu and Votti Maddigadu of Timmapuram, hamlet of Kamaganikuntla. | 13th Feb. 1889. | 20th June 1896.<br>Claim exclusion from the reserve of their patta land of Kamaganikuntla, comprising Nos. 187, 191, 192, 420, 184 and 185 :— | .... | .... | As a matter of fact, I find on my inspection that these lands are not included in the reserve at all and the claimants admit that such is the case. The claim is therefore rejected.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>13th February 1889. | .... |
| 3<br>A-15 | Boya Sunkadu and Fakirgaru of Bukkapuram. | 2nd Feb. 1889. | Claim exclusion of their patta lands Nos. 749 and 717 of Guttapalli, portions of which are included in the reserve. | .... | .... | On inspection the fields have been found to have been waste and overgrown with jungle. The claimants now say that they do not want the waste and withdraw the claim to the portion included in the reserve. The claim is therefore rejected.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>17th February 1889. | .... |
| 4<br>A-8 | Kota Rangayya and others of Kamalapuram, hamlet of Malkapuram. | 29th June 1888. | Claims right to graze their cattle in Yerrakonda and Nagakonda, &c., hills of their village. | .... | .... | This claim is summarily rejected, as petitioners admit that these hills have not yet been included in any reserve.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>18th February 1889. | .... |

| Number. | Extent. | Assessment. | Number. | Extent. | Assessment. |
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| 187 | 4·37 | 1 2 0 | 420 | 6·14 | 1 9 0 |
| 191 | 9·28 | 2 5 0 | 184 | 7·20 | 1 13 0 |
| 192 | 2·22 | 0 9 0 | 185 | 8·17 | 2 1 0 |

## B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed North Dhone reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

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| 5<br>A-2 | Yaganty Reddi, village reddi of Dhone, of Venkatanayampalli. | 2nd June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the villagers of Venkatanayampalli, hamlet of Dhone:<br>(1) The right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on the hills known as Vurakonda, Lakshmanapeta, Malakonda, Tuggillakonda, Badanulakonda, Gundla, Seta and Yerraguntla Bodu, all of which are included in the North Dhone reserve.<br>(2) A right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of the village in Chavati Tirupatigunta, Basamagunta, Gundlavanigunta, Muniyannagunta, Boyammagunta and Asalagunta. | .... | The District Forest-officer protests and thinks that the claims to path-ways, &c., should be rejected. | The evidence of two witnesses, aged sixty years each establishes that the ryots of Venkatanayanampalli as a mamul have been grazing their cattle, sheep and goats in the hills referred to and watering in the kuntas named; and there is no reasonable doubt that the usage has existed for more than sixty years. This usage, however, does not establish claimant's right to grazing on the hills, as it is admitted that the Government have always had right to assign away portions of the hills for cultivation and other purposes and thus stop the grazing mamul of the claimants. The claim of right to graze is therefore rejected.<br>I have inspected the kuntas referred to and find that Gundlavanigunta has breached and is in ruins, and no water can be stored in it. There has, therefore, been an interruption of the right to the use of its water. The claim, so far as relates to it, is rejected. The claim with regard to Avula Goruntlakunta also rejected is as I have reason to believe that it is not sixty years old, as the constructor of it is still alive as ascertained by me at the local inquiry, and he is not himself 60 years old.<br>The following rights are admitted:—<br>(1) Right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Venkatanayampalli in Boyannagunta with a right of way thereto *via* Chintamanisela or valley about a mile long and 6 feet wide.<br>(2) Right to water the same in Muniyannagunta with a right of way thereto by the same sela or valley about ¾ mile long and 6 feet wide.<br>(3) Right to water the same in Basuvagunta *via* Chintamanisela with right of way ½ mile long and 6 feet wide.<br>(4) Right to water the same in Chavati Tirupatigunta with a right of way about 1 mile long *via* Chintamanisela and Vasinadambodu.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>21st February 1889.<br>*Note.*—Access to the above guntas will be by a path 2 yards wide entering the reserve about 4 chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 36 of Dhone and running in a south-easterly direction to the guntas.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 6<br>A-15 | Haveldar Hussain Sahib of Gutapalli. | 6th Feb. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of 2·92 acres of his Darga service inam land of Gutapalli, comprising No. 228 with an extent of 12·11 acres. | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish the claim. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the exclusion of the field from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary. | The claim is admitted having been established by the evidence of the karnam and his accounts. Its exclusion from the reserve is accordingly ordered by carrying out the boundary line of the reserve behind it.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>21st February 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 7<br>A-17 | Syed Mahomed Sahib of Gutapalli. | Do. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his patta land of Gutapalli comprising numbers:— | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish the claim to the fields referred to. | .... | Fields Nos. 957 and 218 are wholly outside the reserve, and the claim with regard to them is therefore rejected.<br>Numbers 701 (acres 6·76) and 705 (acres 2·68) are wholly within the reserve and at a distance of 404 and 454 yards, respectively, from the boundary line of the reserve. Thirty cents of No. 958, two cents of No. 220 and 2·67 acres of No. 693 which are also on the line of the reserve are found to be included in the reserve. The claim to them is therefore admitted. The District Forest-officer having no objection to the demarcation of the fields Nos. 958, 220 and 693 out of the reserve by carrying the line of the reserve behind them, the exclusion is ordered. The claimant having agreed to surrender all his rights to fields Nos. 701 and 705 accepting a compensation of Rs. 23-12-0, they are included in the reserve.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>21st February 1889.<br>*Note.*—Acquired by private negotiation under the old rules.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>7th May 1897. | .... |

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| Circar. | 957 | 41·25 | 10 3 0 | 41·25 | Circar. | 705 | 2·68 | 0 11 0 | 2·68 |
| Do. | 958 | 1·31 | 0 5 0 | 1·31 | Inam. | 218 | 2·97 | 0 12 0 | 1·48 |
| Do. | 693 | 12·18 | 3 1 0 | 3 | Do. | 220 | 2·60 | 0 10 0 | 2·0 |
| Do. | 701 | 6·76 | 1 11 0 | 6·76 | | | | | |

| No. | Names of claimants. | Date of presentation of claims. | Nature and extent of claims preferred. | Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of the claims. | Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him. | Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer. | Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of Final Appeal and Settlement. |
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| 8<br>A-4. | Gandu Mallappa, &c., of Peda Malkapuram. | 21st June 1888. | Claim right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats in the unsurveyed hills of Garladinne villages in the Pattikonda taluk. | .... | .... | This is summarily rejected as the petitioners themselves admit that these hills have not been included yet in any reserve, but it is only in contemplation to reserve them.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>22nd February 1889. | |
| 9<br>A-1. | Yaganta Reddi of Venkatanayampalli, hamlet of Dhone. | 2nd June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village (1) the right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on Tirumalappakonda, Pedda Pochalakonda, Surappasala and other hills included in the North Dhone reserve, and also (2) right to water their cattle, &c., in Gandlavanigunta, Indlochenchugunta, Pogulavanigunta and Kapuvanigunta. | .... | .... | The evidence adduced has established no right to graze their cattle on the hills referred to, but merely shows that the ryots have been in the enjoyment of a long standing privilege of grazing which could be stopped at the pleasure of the State. The claim of right to graze is accordingly rejected. Of the guntas referred to Indlochenchugunta, Pogulavanigunta and Kapuvanigunta are not included in any notified reserves. Gundlavanigunta has been in ruins and breached for some years and no water collects in it. If in previous years, the cattle, sheep and goats of Dhone had used the water in this gunta, there has been an interruption of the user for some 8 years past and no prescriptive right to the water has been established. The claim with regard to all the guntas referred to is therefore rejected.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>22nd February 1889.<br>*Note.*—Indlochenchugunta is partly included in the reserve.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | |
| 10<br>A-3. | Tippa Reddi of Kamaganikuntla. | 11th June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village the following—<br>(*a*) Right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats on Kanama Tirumappakonda, Yerrakonda, Pedda Reddi bodu and Chinna Reddi bodu included in the North Dhone reserve and right to cut grass and leaves on the said hills for fodder and manure.<br>(*b*) Right to water their cattle, sheep and goats in three spring wells situated in Timmarayadu Kanama included in the said hills. | Two witnesses aged 70 years depose to the existence of the mamuls claimed for more than sixty years. | The District Forest-officer contests the claim. | The claim to pasture and cut grass and leaves on the said hills, as a matter of right, is rejected as the claimants have been merely in the enjoyment of a privilege which the Government could have stopped at their pleasure.<br>The claim to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the wells in Timmarayadu Kanama is admitted with right of way thereto 371 yards long from the line of the reserve to the wells. The wells being situated in a narrow hill valley to which cattle in hundreds from all the adjoining villages come in for water, there being very little space for the cattle to stand in, the entire width of the valley is usually occupied by the animals which are brought in to be watered. The whole width of the valley which is nearly 18 yards is therefore prescribed as the width of the way granted to the claimants.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—The wells have since been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve (*vide* order on claim No. B-14 — A-11.)<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | Appeal No. 1 of 1889. The District Forest-officer appealed against the order admitting right of way for cattle sheep and goats to the three wells on the ground that the right admitted is not in reality a right but merely a privilege. The Collector modified Forest Settlement-officer's order by reducing the way allowed to a width of 6 yards and in other respects confirmed the order and dismissed the appeal.<br>(Sd.) G. F. T. Power,<br>Ag. Collector.<br>23rd July 1889. |
| 11<br>A-13 | Buddela Peddanna of Gutapalli. | 21st Jan. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve portion of his land of Gutapalli comprising Nos. 699 and 712 of which portions included are—<br>No. 699 .. .. 2·88 acs.<br>„ 712 .. .. 3·54<br>6·42 | The evidence of the karnam and his accounts establish that the lands claimed are of petitioners. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to exclude the fields from the reserve by modification of the boundary line. | The claim is admitted having been established by the village accounts and the evidence of the karnam and the lands are ordered to be excluded from the reserve by carrying the line behind them.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th March 1889. | |

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed North Dhone reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

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| 12<br>A-5. | Maddaleti Nagadu of Kottapet. | 11th Dec. 1888. | Claims the following rights:—<br>(1) A right to reside in the fort of Kottapet with his brothers and family, the fort being inside the proposed reserve.<br>(2) A right to the use by men and cattle of the water of the Kottapet well.<br>(3) A right on behalf of the Hindu public and pilgrims to worship throughout the year in the temple of Rangaswami.<br>(4) A right of way for the public and pilgrims from Sri Rangapuram to Rangaswami temple.<br>(5) A public right of way from Gutapalli *viâ* Kottapet to the villages on the plain at the foot of Rangasawmi konda.<br>(6) A right to the use of foot-path from Kottapet to Sriranga-puram situated south-west of Kottapet fort and passing over the slope of Rangaswami konda.<br>(7) A right to worship in the temple of Anjanêyaswami situated inside the reserve opposite to the fort of Kottapet.<br>(8) Right to field No. 233 of Govardhanagiri called Parragachenu measuring 25·36 acres with right of way thereto.<br>(9) Right to graze his cattle on Rangaswamy konda, Bundla-chelamagunta, Gopalasamisela and Hanumantharayanisela.<br>(10) Right to fell timber for agricultural purposes or firewood. | The evidence of two very old witnesses establishes the several rights, Nos. 1 to 8 claimed of a longer standing than sixty years the patta produced by M. Nagadu establishes his claim to Parragachenu of No. 233. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the grant of the rights claimed and suggests that the forts, temples, wells and fields might be demarcated as enclosures within the reserve as they are on the top of a hill while the reserve line runs along its base. | On inspection of the locality the public ways and foot-paths claimed have every appearance of being long standing paths. The following rights are admitted:—<br>(1) Right of the claimant to reside with his family, cattle and stock in Kottapet fort measuring 81 yards east, 150 yards north, 124 yards south, and 7 yards west.<br>(2) Right to the Hindu public and pilgrims at all times of the year to worship in the temple of Rangaswami with right of way 1,414 yards long 3 feet wide from the foot of Elakalava-nigunta.<br>(3) Right to take water from and to water their cattle in Kottapet well.<br>(4) Right to occupy and cultivate patta F. No. 233 of Govardhanagiri measuring 25·36 acres with right of way thereto about 1,656 yards long 3 feet wide over Gopalaswami-sela.<br>(5) Right of the claimant and his family to carry on worship in the temple of Anjanêyaswami 7½ yards × 5 yards situated 99 yards east of Kottapet fort gate.<br>(6) Right to the use of foot-path 3 furlongs long and 3 feet wide from Kottapet to the foot of the hill over its northern slope *via* Chakranasela or valley.<br>(7) Right to a public way for men, cattle, animals laden and unladen from Gutapalli to the plains of Govardhanagiri, Avuladoddi and other villages over Kottapet and Godesalakanama 2 miles long and 6 feet wide.<br>(8) The temple of Rangaswami measuring 35 × 21 square yards, the causeway and staircase leading to it (74 × 7) square yards and the enclosure attached to it with a well thereon and situated to the east of the causeway measuring 136 × 31½ square yards be demarcated out free from reservation as an enclosure within the reserve.<br>(9) Forest No. 233 measuring 25·36 acres be similarly demarcated out free from reservation.<br>(10) The fort of Kottapet, the well of Kottapet and the temple of Anjanêyaswami be demarcated out of the reserve by carrying the boundary line of the reserve along the right hand margin of Gaditala Kanama and behind the Kottapet well and Anjanêyaswami temple.<br>The claim of right to pasture and fell timber is rejected.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>14th March 1889. | In Appeal Suit No. 2 of 1889 on the file of the Collector of Kurnool that part of Forest Settlement-officer's order directing the alteration, of the boundary of the reserve has been set aside and the fort, the temple of Anjaneyaswami and the well have been ordered to be demarcated out as enclosures within the reserve free from reservation with right of way thereto six yards wide.<br>(Sd.) G. E. T. Power,<br>Ag. Collector.<br>23rd July 1889. |
| 13<br>A-6. | Timma Reddi of Lakshmipalli on behalf of the ryots of his village. | 21st June 1888. | Claims the following rights:—<br>(1) The right to graze the cattle, sheep and goats of his village in Timmama Gadda included in the North Dhone reserve.<br>(2) The right to water the same cattle, sheep and goats in the vanka flowing through Motukursela or hill valley. The cattle path leading to it enters the reserve on the east of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri and runs through it east-south-east. Its length is five furlongs and its width six yards. | With regard to right to pasture no right has been established. With regard to the right to water three witnesses have been examined one of whom is seventy years old and their evidence establishes the continued exercise of the right. This enters the reserve east of the south-east corner of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri and runs in an east-south-easterly direction to the vanka, the length inside the reserve being about five furlongs. | The District Forest-officer objects to the claim. | The claim of right to pasture is rejected, as no such right has been established but merely the enjoyment of a long continued privilege which could be stopped at the pleasure of Government. The claim of right to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Lakshmipalli in Matuka-talavagu up to Motukur Selacheru with a right of way thereto is admitted.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889. | Appeal No. 3 of 1889. The District Forest-officer appealed against the order admitting the right of the ryot of Lakshmipalli to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the Motukursela vagu on the ground that the right admitted is not in reality a right but merely a privilege exercised at the will and pleasure of Government. The right of way to the water which the Forest Settlement-officer has allowed is not excessive and the order is affirmed and the appeal dismissed.<br>(Sd.) G. F. T. Power,<br>Ag. Collector.<br>23rd July 1889. |
| B-14<br>A-11 | Timmagadu of Kamaganikuntla. | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims on behalf of himself and the Hindu public the right of carrying on worship in the said temple of Kanama Timmarayadu at all times of the year, right to take water from three wells in the said Kanama for the purpose of the worship and the right to the enjoyment of the usufructs of 27 tamarind trees situated around the said well, all of those being included in the proposed North Dhone reserve. | The evidence of three witnesses, one of whom is aged 70 years, establishes the antiquity of the temple and the wells referred to. With regard to tamarind trees the evidence is of the vaguest kind. | The District Forest-officer admits claim to the temple and wells and requests exclusion of the same from the reserve but disputes the claim to the enjoyment of 27 tamarind trees. | The claim to carry on worship in the temple at all times of the year by the Hindu general public and to take water from the two wells now in existence for the purpose of worship is admitted. It is ordered that the temple of Kanama Timmarayadu which is situated on the slope of the Timmarayadu konda and occupies a ground measuring 14 × 7 square yards, the causeway and the staircase leading to the temple from the foot of the hill measuring 77 × 5 yards and 2½ inches and two wells still in existence measuring 9 yards 1 foot × 5 yards 2½ inches and 7 yards × 5 yards 2½ feet, respectively, be demarcated out of the reserve by carrying the line behind them. With regard to tamarind trees claimed, the evidence is of the vaguest kind and the claimant himself is very contradictory. In his petition to me, he claimed 10 or 12 trees. He claims at the time of enquiry 27 trees. The witnesses say he has been enjoying some trees but do not know which and how many. The claimant holds no tree patta. The trees are all situated in a porramboke. The claim to the tamarind trees is therefore rejected.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889. | |
| 15<br>A-7. | Timma Reddi of Srirangapuram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | 21st June 1888. | Claims on behalf of the ryots of his village the following rights:—<br>(1) The right to graze the cattle, sheep and goats of his village on the hills to the east of it included in the North Dhone reserve.<br>(2) The right to water their cattle, sheep and goats in Rangasawmi's well and Kottapet well with the mamul rights of way thereto. | Right to pasturage has not been established.<br>Two witnesses, one of whom is aged 60 years, speaks to the existence of mamul of watering their cattle, sheep and goats of Srirangapuram in the wells referred to. | .... | The claim of right to pasturage is rejected as no such right has been established but only the existence of a mamul privilege of grazing which could be stopped at the pleasure of Government.<br>2. The exclusion of the Kottapet well from the reserve and the demarcation of the ground in which Rangaswami's hill is situated as an enclosure inside the reserve has already been ordered in claim No. B-12—A-5. The path-way to Rangaswami's well is the same as the one allowed for pilgrims to Rangaswami's temple in claim No. B-12—A-5. Its length is 1,414 yards and its width 6 feet. The pathway to Kottapet well claimed is a continuation of the aforesaid Rangaswami's temple to Kottapet well. It is 735 yards long 6 feet wide. The right to the use of this path by the cattle, sheep and goats of Srirangapuram throughout the year is also admitted.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>15th March 1889. Forest Sett.-officer. | |

*Note.*—The access to the Rangaswami temple has been allowed to a width of two yards for men and cattle—*vide* order on claim No. 15-7. Access for men and cattle to the Kottapet well is by a path 6 yards wide from Kottapet fort to the well and by a foot and cattle path 6 feet wide and 735 yards long from Rangaswami temple. No. 7 forms the access to the Kottapet fort and will be 6 yards wide. It enters the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 558 of Govardhanagiri and runs south-east to the fort. Access to Rangaswami temple is by a foot and cattle path 6 feet wide entering the reserve near the south-east corner of survey No. 583 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the temple.

Access to F. No. 233 is by the path allowed to the Kottapet well from the fort and by the path admitted in claim No. 7-14 (2).

Access to Anjanêyaswami temple is by a path 6 yards wide from Kottapet fort running east to the temple.

No. 8 enters the reserve about four chains north of the northernmost corner of No. 213 of Gutapalli and running in a westerly direction *viâ* Polymera Anjanêyaswami temple and Kottapet well for about 2 miles and 2 furlongs leaves the reserve near the southernmost corner of survey No. 555 of Govardhanagiri.

(Signed) E. A. SMITH,
Forest Sett.-officer.

20th June 1896.

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| 16<br>A-10. | Chandu Zamama of Erraguntla. | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims the following rights:—<br>(1) The foot and cattle path from Erraguntla to the wells at Kanama Timmarayadu *via* Nellasela which enters the reserve about four chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 634 of Dhone and runs almost northwards and leaves it at the temple. Its length is one mile one furlong and its width six feet. This pathway is used to water cattle, sheep and goats of Erraguntla and fetch water in pots and on buffaloes.<br>(2) The cart-track from Erraguntla to Dhone Bugga between the 138 Telegraph post 46th mile and the 30 Telegraph post 45th mile. | No. 1 enters the reserve about 4 chains north of the north-west corner of No. 634 of Dhone and running in an almost northerly direction for about 1 mile 1 furlong leaves it at the temple. No. 2 enters the reserve nearly 4 chains south of Telegraph post No. 281—7 and running south of Railway line parallel to it leaves the reserve at Telegraph post No. 279—11, the length inside the reserve being about 2 miles (the existence of the rights claimed and the use of the mamul paths for more than 60 years is established by the evidence of three aged witnesses). | The District Forest-officer has no objection to the claim. | The claim is admitted having been established by the evidence of witnesses who say the rights claimed have been in existence for more than sixty years. The rights of way through the North Dhone reserve are allowed.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—The cart-track will be admitted to a width of six yards, the length inside the reserve being two miles.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 17<br>A-14. | Daram Nagi Reddi of Nagamala gunta. | 21st Jan. 1889. | Claims on behalf of the residents of Nagamala gunta the following rights:—<br>(1) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to Bukkapuram well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagamala gunta which enters the reserve about five chains south-east of the south-west corner of Pymaish No. 717 of Gutapalli, runs through it south-south-east and leaves it at a point eleven chains west of the place known as Yelekabandala Chelaka. Its length is 11½ miles and its width 3 feet.<br>(2) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to Kottapet well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagamala gunta which enters the reserve on the top of Mokalla Kanama Bodu and runs north-north-west to the well *via* F. No. 233. Its length is one mile three furlongs and its width six feet.<br>(3) A right of way from Nagamala gunta to the Valasala well to water cattle, sheep and goats of Nagama'agunta which enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapetu, runs south-west and leaves the reserve at Relamanikonda. Its length is 1½ miles and its width 6 feet.<br>(4) A right of way from Nagamalagunta to Govardhanagiri tank to take cattle, sheep, and goats of Nagamalagunta to drink brackish water of the tank which enters the reserve seven chains south of the westernmost corner of Pymash No. 228 of Gutapalli and runs north-west through the reserve. Its length is 2½ miles and width 6 feet.<br>(5) A right of way to wells at Rahimanpuram and Gutapalli.<br>(6) A right to graze their cattle, sheep and goats in the hills adjoining the villages. | The evidence of two aged witnesses establishes the continued exercise of the mamul rights claimed for more than 60 years.<br>(1) This enters the reserve east of Mandavani gunta and running south-east for about 6½ furlongs leaves it at the place known as Yelekabandalachelaka southern peak about 13 chains north-west of the north-west corner of No. 531 of Kottapalli.<br>(2) This enters the reserve near the top of Mokkallakanamabodu and runs in a north-north-westerly direction for about 1 mile and 3 furlongs to the well.<br>(3) This enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapettu, runs through it south-west and north-west and leaves it 1 furlong north of the westernmost corner of survey No. 29 of Valasala. It re-enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 26 of Valasala inside the reserve and running in a south-westerly direction leaves it east of Relamanikonda, the length inside the reserve being 1 mile 2 furlongs.<br>(4) This enters the reserve about 2 furlongs south-west of Mokkallakanamabodu and running north-west for about 1½ miles leaves the reserve about 1½ furlongs south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 547 of Govardhanagiri. | .... | There can be no reasonable doubt of the continued exercise of those rights for more than sixty years, the claim is accordingly admitted.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>15th March 1889.<br>*Note.*—No. 1 forms part of the path from Valasala to Avuladoddi admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3). Before the Valasala boundary was settled it was thought that Nelamanigunta lay outside the reserve and consequently only a right of way to it was allowed, but as it is now found that the gunta lies within the reserve a right to the use of its water by men and cattle is now admitted. The way to it branches from the path admitted in claim No. 26-22 (3) and runs west to the gunta.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 18<br>A-19. | Buddu Reddi, head of the village of Cherlakottur, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | 18th Feb. 1889. | Claims on behalf of the villagers of his village rights of way over the undermentioned pathways:—<br>(1) The cattle path from Cherlakottur to Venkataswaraswami's well which enters the reserve at a point about 14 chains east of the survey stone at the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla and runs south-east to the well. This very path continues in a southerly direction to Nelamani gunta which is about two miles from the reserve line and a mile north-north-west of Valasala. Its length is three furlongs and width six yards.<br>(2) The cattle path from Avuladoddi to Nelamani gunta *via* Yerrakanama to water the cattle, sheep and goats of Avuladodi when there is water in Nelamanigunta, the pathway being the same as the public way from Avuladoddi to Valasala. Its length is two miles and its width six yards. | The evidence of two witnesses aged 60 years each establishes the mamul rights claimed from the days of their boyhood. | .... | There can be no doubt as to the validity of the claim. The claim for 4·35 acres of inam field No. 239 of Gutapalli is admitted and the land is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by carrying the line of the reserve behind it.<br>(Sd.) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>21st March 1889.<br>*Note.*—The field has since been acquired by payment of money compensation of Rs. 41-4-0 under the Land Acquisition Act.<br>(Sd.) E. A. SMITH,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | .... |
| 19<br>A-21. | Vadlamudi China Venkata of Gutapalli. | 6th Mar. 1889. | Claims field No. 239 of Gutapalli measuring 4·35 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-3-0 included in the reserve as a personal enfranchised inam purchased by him at a Revenue sale. | The karnam's accounts show that the inam is registered in the public accounts in the name of claimant and the karnam says that claimant has been paying its assessment since he has become karnam of the village. | .... | | |

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| 20<br>A-20. | Vadla Gyana Ayya of Gutapalli in the Nandyal taluk. | 29th Feb. 1889. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of a portion measuring 2·36 acres of his inam field No. 199 of Gutapalli. | The karnam's evidence and his accounts show that field No. 199, measuring 16·18 acres, assessed at Rs. 8-1-0 is an inam registered as such in the name of the claimant. | The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of boundary. | The claimant, who is illeterate, says that about half an acre of his field has been included in the reserve. The karnam estimated it at 2·25 acres. I therefore deputed a Revenue Inspector to have the field carefully measured and report such extent as is included in the reserve. Its actual extent on measurement is 13·90 and of the portion included is 2·36 acres. The claim for the portion, 2·36 acres of No. 199, included in the reserve is accordingly admitted and it is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by pushing the line further back.<br>(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SASTRI,<br>Forest Sett.-officer.<br>12th April 1889. | .... |
| 21<br>A-23. | Nagamallagunta, inamdar of Dhone. | 7th July 1890. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of his patta land No. 677 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, comprising an unsurveyed area of 4 acres, assessed at Re. 1. | Verified by the village accounts. | The District Forest-officer wishes the exclusion of the land by an alteration of the boundary. | The claim is admitted having been verified by the village accounts and the land is ordered to be excluded from the reserve by alteration of its boundary.<br>(Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>Camp Dhone, Forest Sett.-officer.<br>12th July 1890. | .... |
| 22<br>A-24. | Durgam Tunna Reddi of Sriranga-puram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri. | Do. | Claims right of way between the shrine of Polimera Anjaneya and the temple of Rangaswami. | .... | .... | In claim No. B-12-A-5 of the North Dhone reserve, a pathway has been allowed through the reserve from Gutapalli in the Nandyal taluk to the plains of Govardhanagiri and the villages in the Ramallakota taluk *viz* Kottapet and Gadidela Kanama and continues to the temple of Rangaswami from Srirangapuram on the west, but the continuation of Gutapalli Govardhanagiri path which runs from Polimera Anjaneya to the temple of Rangaswami has not hitherto been allowed. It is by that continuation of path that the people from the villages on the east side of the hills in the Nandyal taluk get access to Rangaswmi's temple and if it is not allowed, the temple will virtually be closed to them. It is also said that the general public going from Srirangapuram side to Gutapalli largely use this path. Under these circumstances, the claim is admitted in the name of the general public. Length about three furlongs, width two yards.<br>Camp Dhone, (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>12th July 1890. Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—This branches from Gutapalli-Govardhanagiri foot and cattle path admitted in claim No. B 12-A-5 at the Polimera Anjaneyaswamis' temple and runs north-west to the temple of Rangaswami.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>20th June 1896. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 23<br>A-25. | Madum Rama-sawmy, karnam of Kamaganikuntla. | 8th July 1890. | Claims exclusion from the reserve of the cave of Venkata-swami with a space round it, both measuring one chain square and situated about thirty chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla in the Ramallakota taluk, together with the right of the Hindu general public to worship at the cave and to perform marriages on the space round it. | The rights claimed are proved by the evidence of two witnesses to have been exercised from time immemorial. | The District Forest-officer desires that the cave and space around it can be retained as enclosures. | The claim is admitted in the name of the Hindu general public, and the cave and the space round it, both measuring one chain square, are ordered to be excluded from the proposed reserve but kept as an enclosure in it, itself being free from reservation with the right of the Hindu general public to worship at the cave and to perform marriages on the space round it during the day time only and with access to the cave by a path running from the well below the cave in a south-westerly direction for three chains with a width of two yards.<br>Camp Dhone, (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>12th July 1890. Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—Access to the cave is by a foot-path two yards wide branching from the Valasala-Avuladoddi path admitted in claim No. 26 (3)—22 south of the well and running south-west to the cave.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>20th June 1896. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 24<br>A-26. | Mudiyam Rama-sawmi of Dhone, karnam of Kamagani-kuntla. | Do. | Claims the right of the Hindu general public worshipping and celebrating marriages at the cave of Venketeswarulu, referred in claim No. B-23—A-25 to halt during the day time on the camping ground lying south of and adjoining the Venkataswarulu's well and measuring two chains square and light fires and cook meals using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes. | The right claimed is proved to have been exercised from a very long time. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to make. | The claim is admitted in the name of the Hindu general public and their right to halt at the camping ground adjoining the Venkataswaraluswami's well, measuring two chains square and light fires and cook meals during the day time only using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes is allowed.<br>Camp Dhone, (Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>12th July 1890. Forest Sett.-officer.<br>*Note.*—Access to the camping ground is by the Valasala-Avuladoddi path admitted in claim No. B-26—A-22 (3).<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH,<br>12th July 1896. Forest Sett.-officer. | .... |
| 25<br>A-9. | Janabkhat Bibi on behalf of her minor son Sultan Morad Hussain Khan, Jaghir-dar of Valasala. | 1st Oct. 1888. | Claims exclusion from the proposed North Dhone reserve of some forest, measuring about 177·12 acres said to belong to the Jagiri village of Valasala. | .... | .... | It is true that the claimant has produced some witnesses to prove that the village boundaries are as claimed by her, but I do not think it safe to rely on oral evidence in a case like this, and there is unfortunately no written evidence to show what the boundaries really are. The inam title-deed was issued for field 575-66 acres. The area of the porambokes was not included in that given in the title-deed. The paimash fields of the village (112 in number) referred to in the paimaish register for the village for Fasli No. 1253 (A.D. 1842-43) are not now identifiable on the ground and it was with the object of ascertaining their position as also the area of the village as claimed by the claimant that a survey was ordered and the land claimed was surveyed in four blocks. The Superintendent of Madras Revenue Survey, under whose direction the survey of the village of Valasala was made, said that it is not possible to plot the paimash fields on the map and that to plot a line, correct distance and direction are both required whereas the distance given in the paimash register is only approximate and the direction is so vague that plotting is impossible and thus north may mean any bearing between 315° north-west and 48° north-east. He, however, says that fields Nos. 1 to 25 and 33 to 37 containing on aggregate area of 233·36 acres probably but that too doubtfully form part of the disputed ground. If he had said with any approach to accuracy that the said area lies within the disputed ground, I would have allowed it out of the reserve. It is not known where to allow it as the direction of the fields is so very vague that north may mean any bearing between north-west and north-east and so on. No doubt there is small amount of cultivation on the west and east sides of block No. 2 and here and there in block 3, but the evidence produced by the claimant does not show why the cultivation existed. At any rate there is no evidence to show that the right of Government to it is debarred by limitation. Considering, however, the large area left in the possession of the claimant outside the proposed reserve, I am of opinion that no right has been established on behalf of the claimant to the area included in the reserve. The claim is therefore rejected *in toto*.<br>(Signed) D. JAGANNADHA ROW,<br>30th June 1891. Forest Sett.-officer. | In Appeal Suit No. 62 of 1891 on the file of the District Court of Kurnool, the decision of Forest Settlement-officer has been confirmed on the ground that the appellant has not shown any title to the land in dispute and the appeal dismissed.<br>(Sd.) M. R. WELD,<br>District Judge.<br>11th Jan. 1892. |

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| 23 A-22. | Jaghirdar of Valasala. | 7th July 1890. | Claims right of way over the undermentioned foot and cattle paths:— (1) From Valasala to Kamaganikuntla which enters the reserve at a point about half a mile north-west of Kottaguntа in survey No. 673 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, runs through it in a north-westerly direction and leaves it at the temple of Kanama Timmarayadu. Its length through the reserve is about two and half miles and its width two yards. This pathway is also used by cattle of Valasala, going to well at Timmarayadu temple for water. (2) From Valasala to Bogolu which enters the reserve at a point about twenty chains south of Pusamanigunta which is in the reserve, runs first northwards and then north-west and leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogolu. This pathway is also used by the cattle of Valasala, going to Bogolu tank for water. Its length through the reserve is two miles and its width two yards. (3) From Valasala to Avuladoddi which enters the reserve at the head of Turakavadisela, runs *via* Nelamvadigunta and Venkataswarlu bhavi in almost northerly direction and joins the Avuladoddi and Nelavaniguntа at Venkataswara bhavi. Its length through the reserve is about two and half miles and its width two yards. (4) From Valasala to Govardhanagiri which branches off from the above-mentioned path at a point about one and a half chains north of the field called Bojjavanichenu, runs first in a north-easterly direction and then in an almost northerly direction and leaves it at a point about one chain south of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri. Its length is about three miles and its width two chains. (5) From Valasala to Chenchanda. (6) Right to use water of Venkataswara bhavi. | One witness was examined for claimant who proves that the pathways Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been in use from a long time and states that he does not know anything about the fifth pathway. | The District Forest-officer has no objection to offer. | No. 1 enters the reserve, about three furlongs north-west of Kottaguntа in survey No. 673 of Erragunta, hamlet of Dhone, and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about one mile, joins the path from Erragunta, admitted in claim No. B-16—A-10 (1) south of the temple of Timmarayadu.<br>No. 2 enters the reserve, south-east of Pusamanigunta and running in a north-north-westerly direction for about two miles, leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bagolu.<br>No. 3 enters the reserve, two furlongs west of Kamaganikuntla and running first north and then north-west for about two miles and two furlongs of survey No. 464 of Kamaganikuntla.<br>No. 4 branches from the above, about seven chains north of the point of its entrance and running in a northerly direction for about two miles and three furlongs, leaves the reserve about three chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri. | Rajahmundry, 7th October 1893.<br>*Note.*—Right of way to the above bhavi will be by pathway No. 4.<br>(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.<br>20th June 1896. | (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. |



Enclosure No. 3.—Draft Notification.

Enclosure No. 4.

Statement of area and condition to accompany the notification under section 16 for the North Dhone reserve in the taluks of Nandyal and Ramallakota.

| Total area of the taluk. | Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands. | Area of reserves already notified under section 16. | Area of reserves under settlement. | Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16. | | | Character of the land proposed. | How much forest. | How much grass land. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Number. | Name of block. | Area. | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Ramallakota .. Acs. 541,440<br>Nandyal .. .. 546,560 | Ramallakota—<br>Occupied .. .. Acs. 228,018<br>Unoccupied .. .. 197,120<br>Nandyal:—<br>Occupied .. .. 141,320<br>Unoccupied .. .. 307,913 | Ramallakota .. .. Acs. 14,418<br>Nandyal .. .. 107,160 | Ramallakota .. .. Acs. 2,819<br>Nandyal .. .. 22,400 | 15 | North Dhone. | 14,345 acres. | Gniessic hills covered with the remains of an old Yepi (Hardwickia) forest. | All forest, more or less open, with pasture below. | .... |

Enclosure No. 5.—Sketch-map.

Enclosure No. 6.—Survey map of the Valasala Shrotriem.

Enclosure No. 7.—Forest Settlement-officer's report returned with Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 21, dated 11th January 1887.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forest Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 7th June 1897, R.C. No. 2 /1.

Forwarded.

*Resolution*—Forest No. 477, dated 4th November 189 .

The draft final notification, revised and received with the letter read above, will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* with the recommendation that the 1st March next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. The several rights admitted in the draft notification should, during revision, have been classified and indicated on the map by serial numbers as per instructions issued in Board's Proceedings, No. 578, dated 18th December 1896.

3. (*a*) The block, though recorded as lying in the Ramallakota and Pattikonda taluks in the initial notification, is now located in the Ramallakota and Nandyal taluks as per area statement. This discrepancy requires explanation.

(*b*) In this connection, it is observed that the figures given in column 3 of the area statement in respect of the Nandyal taluk cannot be verified in this office. *Sirvel* and *Nandyal* blocks lying in more than one taluk have, respectively, an area of 116,730 and 185,700 acres, of which 15,358 and 1,995 acres have, respectively, been excluded as per statement of area of reserved forests appended to the Administration report for 1895-96. As rangewar particulars are given in the Administration report, the area of the blocks lying in each of the taluks cannot be ascertained. The Collector is, therefore, requested to furnish the necessary taluk-war particulars at an early date. Opportunity should also be taken to furnish similar information in respect of the Cumbum reserve in the Cumbum and Markapur taluks after deducting the area of the exclusions in the reserve made subsequent to the date of final notification.

4. From the Collector's reply to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings read above, it would appear that the vagueness of the initial notification is due to the want of a proper sketch at the time of the issue of the initial notification, and to the fact that the boundary line selected had to pass through unsurveyed tracts. There seems to be no reason to doubt that the boundary as settled falls within the limits intended to be notified under section 4 and no one can in practice suffer from vagueness in a notification as section 6 of the Act provides for the service of a separate notice on all reputed owners or occupiers of lands in or adjoining a proposed reserve.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with draft notifications (one original and two printed)
and a sketch-map of the block and survey map of
the Valasala shrotriem (to be returned).

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Order—No. 1067, Revenue, dated 17th December 1897.

Forest No. 245.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St. George and Kurnool District Gazettes, the 1st March 1898 being entered as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), with maps.
„ the Superintendent, Government Press, with notification.

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## Endorsement No. 1067A.

Copy to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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## NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare, under the provisions of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act (V of 1882), that from the 1st March 1898 the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted a "reserved forest."

Schedule.

| District. | Taluk. | Name of forest. | Boundaries. |
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| Kurnool. | Ramallakota and Nandyal. | North Dhone reserve. | *North.*—From a point one and a half chains east of the south-east corner of survey No. 164 of Dhone, Ramallakota taluk, north-east to a cairn about six chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 163; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 56; then the surveyed boundary of Dhone to the south-east corner of survey No. 35; then in a north-easterly direction to the saddle of the hill called Lakshmanapeta; then almost in the same direction to the south-west corner of survey No. 133 of Kamaganikuntla, also of Ramallakota taluk; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 134; then the south sides of survey Nos. 153, 154 and 155 and part of 167 up to the survey stone, one and a half chains east of the south-west corner of the last named field; then straight lines first east-north-east; then east to a point one chain south of the south-west corner of No. 168; then east-south-east to the south-east corner of the said field; then south-south-east to a point immediately behind the wells at Kanama Timmarayadu's temple; then east-north-east behind the said temple for about four chains; then north to a point about fourteen chains south-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 181; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about one chain south-east of the survey stone at the southernmost corner of survey No. 186; then a straight line in nearly the same direction to a cairn about one and a half chains south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 189; then a straight line north-east by east to a cairn about one |



and a half chains south of the south-east corner of survey No. 428 (all of Kamaganikuntla); thence a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogalu of Ramallakota taluk; then the east sides of Nos. 201 and 195 of Bogalu up to the third survey stone on the east side of survey No. 195, counting from and including the one at its southernmost corner; then a straight line to the junction of Bogalu with Kamaganikuntla (third portion); then a straight line north-east across survey No. 429 of Kamaganikuntla to a point on its east side, one and a half chains south of its north-east corner; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 453; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 458; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about one and a half chains south-east of the third survey stone on the south side of survey No. 461, counting from and including the one at its south-east corner; then a straight line to that corner; then the south side of survey No. 470 of Govardhanagiri of Ramallakota taluk up to the survey stone on its south side; then a straight line to a cairn about one and a half chains south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 472; then a straight line to a cairn about two and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line to a cairn about two chains south-west of the south-east corner of survey No. 494; then three straight lines parallel to the south sides of survey Nos. 495, 496, 497 and 498 at a distance of about two chains up to the middle stone on the south side of survey No. 498; then a straight line to the survey stone on the west side of survey No. 509; then the west side of that number and the south side of survey No. 510 to the south-east corner of the latter number; then a straight line to a cairn about one chain south east of the south-east corner of survey No. 513; then a straight line north-east to a cairn four chains south-east of the south-west corner of survey No. 544; then to a point one chain south of the south-west corner of survey No. 555; then a straight line north-east to a point about one and a half chains east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line to a survey stone on the east side of survey No. 557 of the same village; then the east sides of Nos. 557, 558 and 559 to the easternmost corner of the last number; then a straight line north-north-west to the easternmost corner of survey No. 560; then the eastern surveyed boundary of Govardhanagiri up to the north-east corner of survey No. 582; then a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 585; then again the said surveyed village boundary up to the north east corner of survey No. 703; then a straight line northwards to a point one chain south of the survey stone on the south side of survey No. 699 near its south-east corner; then a straight line east-north-east touching the south-east corner of survey No 127 to a cairn about four chains east-north-east of that corner; then a straight line to a cairn on the top of Yerragadda; then south east to a cairn about two chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 153 of Chinna Kolumulapalli, hamlet of Govardhanagiri; then east to a cairn about one and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of that number; then a straight line north-east to a cairn about four chains east of the southernmost corner of unsurvey No. 230 of the same village; then nearly east-south-east through Surikunta tank to a cairn about thirty-seven chains distant; then a straight line south-east to a cairn about eight chains distant; then nearly east for about three chains to a cairn.

*East.*—Then in a south-easterly direction to the top of Tellarallametta; then in nearly the same direction to the northernmost corner of paimash No. 957 of Gutapalli; then the north and west sides of that number and No. 958 of the same village to the south-west corner of No. 957; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then south-south-west to the northernmost corner of unsurvey No. 267 of the same village; then south-west for about eighteen chains, and then in nearly the same direction for about ten chains to the north-east projection of Byravedukonda; then along its eastern slope in a curve to the north side of paimash No. 228 of the same village; then its north side for about twelve chains to its north-west corner; then south-west to the westernmost corner of No. 220 of the same village; then the west and south sides of that number to a cairn about two chains east of its south-west corner; then south-west to the top of Korindivankakonda; then in nearly the same direction to the north side of No. 199; then the north and west sides of that number up to its south-west corner; then to the top of Tunkula Selakonda; then to the top of the hillock called Pattagaddasagara; then to the top of Mokkallakanamabodu; then south west through unsurvey No. 717 to meet the east side of unsurvey No 712; then the east, north, west and south-west sides of that number up to its southernmost corner; then south-west to meet the north side of No. 693; then the north and west sides of that number up to a point about nine chains south of its north-west corner; then a straight line nearly south to meet the west side of No. 699; then the west side of that number up to its south-west corner; then south-east to the high ground called Iskarallapetu; then eastwards to meet the west side of potter's inam No. 671; then its west, south and east sides to its north-east corner; then nearly east for about fifty-six chains to a cairn; then east-south-east through Mandavanigunta and over the top of Nelagiri to the top of the northern peak of Yelikabandala Chelaka; then in a southerly direction to a cairn about four chains west-south-west of the south-west corner of survey No. 581 of Kottapalli of Nandyal taluk.

*South.*—Then south-west for about ten chains; then nearly west for about twenty-two chains; then on across in Nagarabandagutta to a cairn about ten chains north-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 716 of Kottapalli; then almost westin nearly the same direction to the north-east corner of survey No. 716, 717, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751 and 752 to the second village boundary stone south-west across survey Nos. 716, 717, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751 and 752 to the second village boundary stone on the south side of the last number, counting from and including the one at its south-west corner; then in almost the same direction across the raised ground called Madigavani Potche, to meet the taluk boundary; then the Valasala shrotriem northern surveyed boundary (*i.e.*, the line surveyed by the Revenue Survey Department as the District Forest-officer's line) up to the second survey stone on the east side of survey No. 678 of Dhone, counting from and including the one at its north-east corner; then the east and north sides of No. 678; the east, north and west sides of No. 677 and the west side of No. 676 to a point two chains south of its north-west corner; then a straight line west-south-west to a point about nine chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 656, and then to a cairn about six chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 655 of Dhone; then south-west to a point about seven chains west of the north-west corner of No. 634 of the same village; then south-west to the second survey stone on the north side of survey No. 631, counting from the one at its easternmost corner and by the side of the Southern Mahratta Railway line opposite to telegraph post No. 281-17; then across the railway line to a cairn about six chains south-west of the north-west corner of survey No. 632 of Dhone; then a straight line west-north-west for about nine chains up to the Southern Mahratta Railway line; then along the railway line up to telegraph post No. 281-7; then south-south-west for thirteen chains through the tank called Indlachenchugunta; then along the eastern base of the hill called Addakonda, south-east for about sixteen chains; then nearly south for about fourteen chains; then south-west for about five chains; then south for about nine chains; then south-west for about sixteen chains to a point about ten chains north-west of the north-east corner of survey No. 702-1 of Dhone called Burravadi Regulachenu; then along the southern base of the said Addakonda up to a point about six chains north-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 702-3 (Kapamadduleti).

*West.*—Then along the western base of Addakonda to a point about one chain east of the north-east corner of survey No. 598 of the same village; then north-north-west across survey Nos. 599 and 606 and across the Southern Mahratta Railway line in the latter field at telegraph post No. 279-11, and then across survey Nos. 606, 614, 615 and 616 to a cairn about three chains east of the easternmost corner of No. 611; then a straight line north-west to the north-west corner of No. 616; then the north side of survey No. 611 up to a point one chain east of the easternmost corner of survey No. 212, and then a straight line north-north-east for about four chains and another nearly north for about eight chains to the starting point (all the above numbers are of Dhone, Ramallakota taluk).

Remarks.—I. The following public rights of way have been admitted :—

(1) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Gutapalli to the plains of Govardhanagiri and Avuladoddi, &c.*—This enters the reserve about four chains north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 218 of Gutapalli and running in a westerly direction *vid* Polimera Anginêyaswami temple and Kottapet well for about two miles and two furlongs, leaves the reserve near the southernmost corner of survey No. 555 of Govardhanagiri.

(2) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, to the wells at Timmarayadu temple, vid Nellasela.*—This enters the reserve about four chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 634 of Dhone and running almost northwards for about one mile and one furlong, leaves it at the temple.

(3) *Cart-track from Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, to Dhone Bugga to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve nearly four chains south of the telegraph post No. 281-7 and running south of railway line parallel to it, leaves the reserve at telegraph post No. 279-11, the length inside the reserve being about two miles.

(4) *Foot and cattle path, one yard wide from Nagamalaguntla to Bukkapuram.*—This enters the reserve east of Mandavanigunta and running south-east for about six and a half furlongs, leaves it at the place known as Yelikabandalachelaka south peak about thirteen chains north-west of the north-west corner of survey No. 581 of Kottapalli.

(5) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalagunta to Kottapet well.*—This enters the reserve near the top of Mokkallakanamabodu and runs in a north-north-westerly direction for about one mile and three furlongs to the well.

(6) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalagunta to the Valasala well.*—This enters the reserve at the high ground called Iskarallapeta, runs through it south-west and north-west and leaves it one furlong north of the westernmost corner of survey No. 29 of Valasala; it re-enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 26 of the same village inside the reserve, and running in a south-westerly direction, leaves it east of Relamanikonda, its length inside the reserve being about one mile and two furlongs.

(7) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Nagamalaguntla to Govardhanagiri.*—This enters the reserve about two furlongs south-west of Mokkallakanamabodu and running north-west for about one and a half miles, leaves the reserve about one and a quarter furlongs south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 547 of Govardhanagiri.

(8) *Foot and cattle path, from Valasala to Avuladoddi to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve two furlongs west of Relamanikonda and running first north and then north-west for about two miles and two furlongs, leaves the reserve about four chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 454 of Kamaganikuntla.

(9) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide between Polimera Anginêyaswami and the temple of Rangasawmi.*—This branches from No. 1 *supra* at the temple of Polimera Anjinêyaswami and runs north-west to the temple of Rangasawmi. Its length is about three furlongs.

(10) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Valasala to Kamaganikuntla.*—This enters the reserve about three furlongs north-west of Kottawunta in survey No. 673 of Erraguntla, hamlet of Dhone, and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about one mile, joins the path No. 2 *supra*, south of Timmarayadu's temple.

(11) *Foot and cattle path, from Valasala to Bogalu to width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve south-east of Pusamanigunta and running in a north-north-westerly direction for about two miles, leaves it at the south-east corner of survey No. 201 of Bogalu.

(12) *Foot and cattle path, two yards wide from Valasala to Govardhanagiri.*—This branches from No. 8 *supra*, about seven chains north of the point of its entrance and running in a northerly direction for about two miles and three furlongs, leaves the reserve about three chains east of the south-west corner of survey No. 472 of Govardhanagiri.

II. The following rights have been admitted :—

(1) Right on behalf of Madduleti Nagadu of Kottapet to reside with his family, cattle and stock in Kotapet fort, measuring eighty-one yards east, one hundred and fifty yards north, one hundred and twenty-four yards south, and seven yards west, which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with access by a foot and cattle path, six yards wide entering the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 558 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the fort.

(2) Right on behalf of the Hindu public to worship at all times of the year at the temple of Rangasami, occupying a space of 35 × 21 square yards with causeway and stair-case leading to it, measuring 74 × 7 square yards and the enclosure attached to it with a well thereon and situated east of the causeway, measuring 136 × 31½ square yards which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by a *foot* and cattle path, two yards wide entering the reserve near the south-east corner of survey No. 583 of Govardhanagiri and running south-east to the temple.

(3) Right on behalf of Maduleti Nagadu of Kottapet and his family to carry on worship at the temple of Anjinêyaswami occupying a space of (7⅓ × 5) yards which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by a path six yards wide from Kottapet Fort and running east to the temple.

(4) Right on behalf of the public to the use of the water of Kotapet well by men and cattle, with access by a path six yards wide from Kottapet Fort to the well and by another path six feet wide and seven hundred and thirty-five yards long from the Rangasawmi temple.

(5) Right on behalf of the ryots of Srirangapuram, hamlet of Govardhanagiri to the use of the water of Rangasawmi well by men and cattle with access by the path allowed to the temple.

(6) Right on behalf of the ryots of Lakshmipalli, hamlet of Govardhanagiri, to water their cattle, sheep and goats in the Vanka flowing through Motukursela with access by a path six yards wide entering the reserve east of the south-east corner of survey No. 699 of Govardhanagiri, and running in an east-south-easterly direction to the Vanka, the length inside the reserve being about five furlongs.

(7) Right on behalf of the Hindu public to halt at the camping ground, measuring two chains square and adjoining the Venketeswarasawmi well during the *day time only* and to light fires and cook meals, using the water of the well for drinking, bathing and cooking purposes with access by the path I-8 *supra*.

(8) Right to the use of the water for cattle, sheep and goats of (1) Boyannagunta, (2) Muniyannagunta, (3) Bosuvagunta and (4) Chavati Tirupatigunta with access by a path two yards wide, entering the reserve about four chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 36 of Dhone and running in a south-easterly direction to the guntas.

(9) Right on behalf of the ryots of Cherlakottur, hamlet of Govardhanagiri to the use of the water by cattle, sheep and goats of Nelamanigunta, with access by a branch path from No. 8 *supra*, running west to the kunta.

(10) Right to worship and perform marriages during the day time only at the cave of Venketeswaraswami, which will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve with a space of one chain square including the cave, free from reservation with access by a foot-path two yards wide branching from I-8 *supra*, south of the well and running south-west to the cave.

(11) Field No. 233 of Govardhanagiri, measuring 25·36 acres, will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure free from reservation within the reserve with access by the foot path No. 5 *supra*, which will be allowed as a foot and cattle path, six yards wide from Kottapet Fort up to the field, *vid* the Kottapet well.

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