

Revenue (1897) Department.

ROUTINE SERIES.

G.O., No. 2256

DATED 6th Decr.

[Despatch Abstract.]

INFORMING Kondatti Ratnam, late Village Munsiff,
of Nidimole Village, _____ Taluk, Uttara
District, that, under section 23 of Madras Act III of 1895, as amended by Act _____ of 1897, no appeal lies
Government.

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Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 10327

From

The Acting Collector
Kistna

Order R. No. 2256 of 6th Dec. 97.

The petitioner is informed
that under sec 23(1) of
Madras Act III of 1895, no
appeal lies to Govt.

No. 574
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Dated 26th November 1897

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SUBJECT.

Submitting appeal petition
of Mondisetti Ratham,
late Village Munsiff of
Nedumole with copy of
Mr Atkinson's report
on the subject.

To the pet^r
withnals
through the Collr of Kistna

520.8-12-97

Note

The pet^r who was a
village ^{head} munsiff in the
Kistna Dt. was dismissed
from his post in Oct. 96.

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Copy of letter No. 1274 dated 29th March 1897 from the Collector, Madras to the Secretary to the Commission of Land Revenue, Madras

In submitting herewith the petition with enclosure put in before Kondratti Ratham, late Village Munsiff of Nidumole Village, Paudar Taluk of this District, appealing against the order of the Head Quarter Deputy Collector dismissing him from service, and my order in appeal upholding the same, I have the honor to report as follows.

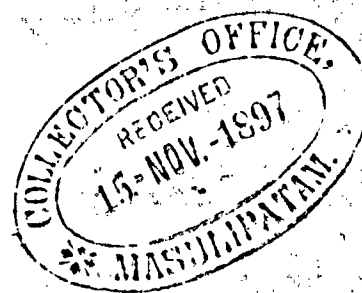
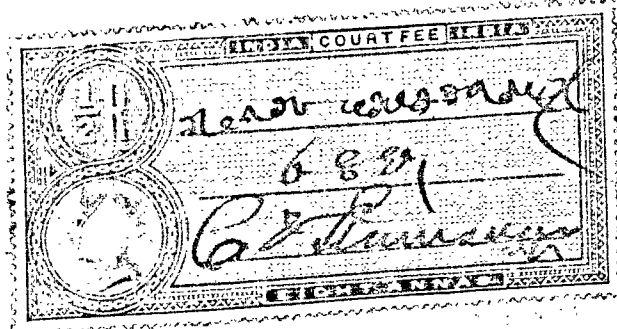
2. The Board is already aware that during the floods of August last officers from different departments were engaged on relief work. Mr. Kearns, the Assistant Commissioner, and Mr. Haden, the Inspector of Salt, Alkali and Customs Revenue were employed on this work from Kankepad to Nidumole and thence to Divi Island. On 9th August 1896 at 6 A.M. they reached Nidumole and issued immediate orders to the Village Officers of the place to procure coolies to lift the ferry boat from the main canal into the flood water to enable them to proceed with the work, saving life and property. I specially solicit the Board's attention to two extracts from reports sent in by Mr. Kearns which are among the records forwarded herewith. The Village

Munsiff of Mantupalem therein referred to is the Village Munsiff of Nidumole whose appeal is now under consideration, Mantupalem being the hamlet of Nidumole where the Village Munsiff resides. The extracts speak for themselves. I have on at least one other occasion brought to the Board's notice the extraordinary in-
- difference of many village officers during the August floods. The Petitioner was dismissed from service and I did not hesitate to confirm the order in appeal.

3. The Board's petitioners now appeals against these orders, but the grounds as urged by him do not deserve any consideration. I would only point out that in para 11 he admits a previous punishment for neglect of duty. This was inflicted by myself, for a default that came under my own observation. I have had very many complaints of the Village Munsiff's misconduct from other travellers.

4. The connected records are herewith submitted for perusal and return.

W. H. M. S. S.
For Acting Collector
27.11.97



To
The Collector,
Kistna District

The humble representation
of Kondisetti Ratnam late
Village Munsiff of Nidumole
Bandar Taluq.

Sheweth,

Petitioner begs to present herewith his Memorial to his Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council Lord Alth. George in the matter of his dismissal from the office of the Village Munsiff of Nidumole, and prays for its submission to His Excellency.

For which act of justice
your Excellency's Memorialist
shall ever pray.

15th November
1897

[Signature]

1897
REVENUE DEPARTMENT
MANTUPALEM

The Right Honourable

Fort St George

Manseiff of Vidumole, Bandar

16. 10. 1946

back, with that the individual having been ~

off. *Vestibula* *Baccharis* *Chrysanthemum* *Agrostis*

Dec. 74531 dated 21 April 1897. Most respectfully,

July 23. Conference with the railroad men and

2. That during the floods of my first ~

about 1000 (where the tubes were) under water, to

Chrysobothris *halimae* (n. sp.) 638 511

... and helped bear witness

lock.

3. That the memorialist having heard of their arrival, presented himself before them and represented the troubles of the distressed.

4. That the said gentlemen wanted Coolies for dragging a ballacat from out of the canal, where the appellant at once complied and the ballacat according to their directions was dragged out with great difficulty.

5. That after the ballacat was dragged out and the Coolies left the place for food and when the rain was pouring down

in torrents the said gentlemen then and there engaged Coolies to drag their boats with the flood water and the memorialist was obliged to tell them that this would make them dead in two hours and that all of them would die.

6. That the memorialist himself saw for these Coolies who, Mohata or Pethan would wait, they themselves having been engaged to look after their own houses, and brought the Coolies when the said gentlemen engaged but only one.

7. That the memorialist attended the said gentlemen until they left the place and did all that lay in his power during that time.

8. That the memorialist was after two months in the place in October 1896.

side by the Head Quarter Deputy Collector and the Assistant Commissioner was asked to explain his anxiety in supplying the Coolies to the Assistant Commissioner of Salt and Alkali, when the memorialist stated what expired and notwithstanding the said explanation he was dismissed from his office.

9. That the appeals presented by the memorialist to the Collector and the Board of Revenue were not at all taken into consideration and the memorialist now represents his case to your Excellency and prays for justice tempered with mercy.

10. That the memorialist submits that the Head Quarter Deputy Collector was not justified in making the order of dismissal and that the Assistant Collector was not right in laying that he was bound to enforce the orders passed by them as ultra vires under the Act of Madras Act I of 1889.

11. That the memorialist has been a member for the last 20 years and during which he has found fault with him except once in 1895 by the Collector for delay in supplying Coolies to his boat which arrived 3 hours earlier than the appointed time when the Coolies waiting went home.

12. That the Assistant Commissioner might have reported against the memorialist, could not state the particular circumstances in which there was the

Memorialist to His Excellency the Governor
not having been favoured with a copy of
the said report could not explain more fully.

13. That the Memorialist humbly
craves to submit that his prayer to the
Head Quarter Deputy Collector to find out
whether the Memorialist was ever absented
himself when the said gentleman happens
at the place, was not listened to and
justice done.

14. That the Memorialist did all he could,
during that time of distress and it was
due to his vigilance to keep the ballast
in the road of the Canal according to the
directions of the said gentleman.

15. That your Excellency will be
graciously pleased to take into considera-
tion what power and deficiency caused
village Munsiff and the other class
whose houses were all under water and
whose own labour was necessary for the
safety of their families of business.

16. That notwithstanding the great dis-
tressed state of things the Memorialist
supplied coolies and his assistance to
all the houses of the poor class.

17. That there was the loss of life either
of man or beast during the said flood
and the damage was not the loss of a
few houses which has fallen down.

18. That the Memorialist who did credi-
tably do his business for the last 15 years
when there were no emoluments to the office
is now thrown out of his post for a fault
represented above, when he could get a pay
of Rs 6 a month as Moneegar in the
Jeerwajesty establishment.

19. That it is very hard on the part of the
Head Quarter Deputy Collector and other
Appellate authorities to dismiss the Memoria-
list from his post for the said fault
without considering the circumstances repre-
sented by the Memorialist, and the punish-
ment your Excellency may be graciously
pleased to consider, is out of proportion even
if the Memorialist is considered to have
been lax in the supply of coolies by a few
hours.

The Memorialist therefore respectfully
craves your Excellency for orders for the resto-
ration of the Memorialist to his office.

For which act of mercy,
your Excellency's Memorialist
shall ever pray.
11th November 1897.
S. S. S. S. S.

Memorial from
Kontiseth Ratnam.

27 NOV. 1897

No 577
Petition
submitted to the Secretary,
to the Government Revenue
Department

2. A copy of Mr. Atkinson's
report to the Board contains
the facts of the case &
enclosed for perusal
of Government

William
Retney, Collector

Prays for restoration of
his office.

When given for copying _____
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When signed _____

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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