Revenue (1897) Department.

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DATED 23rd April 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest.

The draft-notification, under section 16 of the Forest Act, for the constitution of the Andugulapad block in the Vinukonda Taluk, as a — ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and Kistna D^t. Gazettes.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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Order No. 261 of 23rd April 1897.

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

The draft notification as amended by the Board of Revenue will be published in the Fort St. George and Kistna Dt gazettes, the 30th June 1897 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

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Forest No. 123

Dated 22nd March 1897.

Received 1st April "

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SUBJECT.

Submg. to Govt., for approval and publication in the Fort St. George Gazette, draft notifn. underseen 16 of the Forest Act for the constitution of the Andugulapad block, in the Vinukonda Taluk, Kistna Dt. as a reserved Forest.

To the Bd of Revenue. E.R. with orig
" Supdt. S. Penukk. notification
Supdt of Forest Surveys
Govt No. 261A.

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Nilagangavaram.

Gobernment April 23, 1897

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 "reserved forest."

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna.	Vinukonda.	Andugulapad ..	*North.*—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram, the southern surveyed boundary of Koppukonda village to the trijunction of Koppukonda, Lingalakonda and Andugulapad. *East.*—From the said trijunction a straight line south-south-east through survey No. 364 of Andugulapad for about twenty-one chains to a point about twenty-six chains north-north-east of the north-east corner of survey No. 305; thence a straight line south-south-west to a point about four chains west of the above corner; then the north sides of survey Nos. 305, 273, 272, 271 and 268 to the south-east corner of sub-survey No. 364-9; then the east, north and west sides of that number to its south-west corner; then the north and west sides of survey No. 268 to its south-west corner; then a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 263; then the west sides of that number and of Nos. 262, 237 and 236 to the north-east corner of survey No. 235; then the north sides of survey Nos. 235 and 230 to the north-west corner of the latter number; then the west sides of survey Nos. 230 and 229 to the north-west corner of survey No. 227; then the south-west side of that number to its southernmost corner; then the west sides of survey Nos. 226, 223, 220, 219, 218, 216 and 215 to a point about eight chains north-east of the south-west corner of No. 215. *South.*—Thence a straight line to the north-east corner of No. 296. *West.*—Thence the east sides of survey Nos. 295, 294, 293 and 264 to the north-east corner of the last number; then the south and east sides of survey No. 263 and the east sides of survey Nos. 261, 260 and 259 to the south-east corner of survey No. 131; then the east sides of that number and of Nos. 133, 134, 112, 111, 101, 97 and 96 to the starting point (all the above numbers are of Nilagangavaram).

REMARKS.—I. The following public rights of way are allowed:—

(i) *The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve at a point four hundred and fifty links north of the south-west corner of survey No. 261 of Andugulapad and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about a mile, leaves it at a point about one thousand two hundred and ten links north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 133 of Nilagangavaram.

(ii) *The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram vid Tangirala Agraharam to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve, about three chains east of the north-east corner of No. 296 of ~~Andugulapad~~ and running through it in an almost north-westerly direction for about six chains, leaves it at a point about four hundred links north of the south-east corner of survey No. 295 of Nilagangavaram. — Nilaganga-varam

(iii) *The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Koppukonda to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve at a point one hundred links south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 364-9 of Andugulapad and running through it in an almost northerly direction for about a mile, leaves it at a point about four hundred and thirty links east of the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram.

(iv) *The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to the shrine of Duggidevamma on the Lingalakonda hill to a width of two yards.*—This enters at the second survey stone on the northern boundary of the reserve, counting from the survey stone at its north-east corner, runs through it in a westerly direction ~~for about eight hundred and seventy links (about one and a half furlongs)~~ till it reaches the shrine.

Situated on the eastern slopes of Lingalakonda hill

II. The shrine of Duggidevamma, with a space of six yards square, including the shrine, has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with access by the foot and cattle path No. 4 *supra*.

(Signed) A. W. LUSHINGTON,
District Forest-officer.

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

Secretary.

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of the South east Corner g S. No. 158 g Nalagangavaram.

(iii) The Cart track from Andugulapad to Koppukandra a width of 6 yards:— This enters the reserve at a point about 50 links East of the north east corner of S. No: 306 g Andugulapad and running through it in an almost northerly direction for about 3 furlongs leaves it at a point about 2600 links north of the same Corner.

(ii). The Cart track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram via Tangirala agraharam of a width 96 yards:— This enters the reserve about 3 chains East of the North west Corner of S. No. 296 of Nilagangavaram and running through it in an almost North westerly direction for about 5 furlongs and Crossing the Cart track No: 1 supra leaves it at a point about 600 links north of the South-east Corner g S. No. 295 g Nilagangavaram.

(iii) The foot and Cattle path from Andugulapad to Koppukandra of a width of 2 yards:— This enters the reserve at a point 100 links South west of the northernmost Corner of S. No: 306 g Andugulapad and running through it in an almost Northerly direction for about a furlong leaves it at a point about 680 links east of the North east Corner g S. No. 96 g Nilagangavaram.

(iv) The foot and Cattle path from Andugulapad to the Shrine of Duggidevamma on the Singalakonda hill of a width of 2 yards:— This enters at the 2nd Survey Stone on the Northern boundary of the reserve Counting from the Surveyed Stone at its Northeast Corner runs through it in a westerly direction for about 870 links (about 1½ furlongs) till it reaches the Shrine.

II. The Shrine of Duggi Devamma with a space of 6 yards Square including the Shrine has been ordered to be excepted out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with access by the foot and Cattle path as in 4 Paper.

E R Smith

Forest Lieutenant

Forest officer

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Forest officer

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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 . . . 189 . . the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the Schedule appended to this Notification shall be constituted "Reserved Forest."

District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	Boundaries.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
Kistna	Vinukonda	Andugulapad	North:— From the north east Corner of S. no: 96 of Nilagangavaram, the Southern Surveyed boundary of Kopputkonda village & the trijunction of Kopputkonda, Lingalakonda & Andugulapad. East:— From the said trijunction a straight line South South East through S. no: 364 of Andugulapad & the South east Corner of S. no: 364; then the north sides of S. nos: 306, 305, 273, 272, 271 and 268 & the South east Corner of Sub S. no 364/9; then the east north and west sides of that number & its South west Corner; then the north and west sides of S. no 268 & its South west Corner, then a straight line & the north west Corner of S. no: 263, then the west sides of that number and of nos 262, 237 and 236 & the north east Corner of S. no: 235 then the north sides of S. no: 235 & its north west Corner of S. no: 227; then the South west side of that number & its Southernmost Corner; then the west sides of S. nos 226, 223, 220, 219, 218, 216, 215 & its westernmost Corner of S. no: 213; then the South west side of that number & its Southernmost Corner which is a village boundary stone on the boundary between the Andugulapad and Jangirala agraharam villages. South:— Thence the Northern Surveyed boundary of Jangirala agraharam & the south east Corner of Sub S. no: 364/2 (all the above numbers are of Andugulapad) & the Northern boundary of that number & its North east Corner. West:— Thence the same direction & a point on the boundary between Andugulapad and Nilagangavaram villages.	I. The following public rights of way are allowed:— (1). The Cart track from Andugulapad & Ummidivaram in the Kurnool District & a width of 6 yards:— This enters the reserve at a point about 740 links north east of the South west Corner of S. no: 215 of Andugulapad and running through it in a westerly direction for about half a mile and Crossing the Cart track sub 4 infra leaves it at a point about 300 links east of the north east Corner of S. no: 297 of Nilaganga (2). The Cart track from Andugulapad & Nilagangavaram & a width of 6 yards:— This enters the reserve at a point 450 links north of the Southwest Corner of S. no. 261 of Andugulapad and running through it in a northwesterly direction for about a mile then it at a point about 1210 links northeast of the Southeast

of the Southernmost Corner of Survey No. 30 aforesaid; thence the South side of that East Southeast Corner; thence over the east sides of S. Nos: 309 and 2 West Corner of Sirt S: No: 310/5; thence and north sides of that Number Corner of S. No: 297; thence the east sides 295, 294, 293 and 264 of the South of the East Number; thence the South sides of S. No: 263 and the East 261, 260 and 259 of the South east C 131; thence the east sides of that of Survey Nos: 133, 134, 112, 111, 107, 97 and point (all the above Numbers

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed March th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 123, 22nd March 1897.

MARCH.

Submitting to Government, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act for the constitution of the Andugulapad block, in the Vinukonda taluk, Kistna district, as a reserved forest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(LAND REVENUE).

READ—the following letter from E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kistna (through the District Forest-officer, Kistna), dated Vinukonda, 26th September 1896, Ref. No. 71-Av.:—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Andugulapad reserve, in the Vinukonda taluk of your district.

2. The initial notification under section 4 of the Madras Forest Act, proposing to constitute this area into a reserved forest, appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 12th September 1893; and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of February 1894.

3. Mr. J. T. Lever was originally appointed to settle this block and afterwards Mr. R. H. L. Lushington; and 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 Mr. J. T. Lever in July 1894, and three claims were preferred for the following rights:—

(1) One claim to a shrine.
(2) One claim to seven rights of way.
(3) One claim by the Agraharamdar of Chavutapalem to a portion of the Lingalakonda.

The claim to the shrine was admitted, and the shrine has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation. Of the seven rights of way claimed and involved in item No. 2, six were admitted and one rejected as unnecessary. The claim by the Agraharamdar of Chavutapalem to a portion of the Lingalakonda, involved in item No. 3, was rejected, as the claimants failed to prove that the portion claimed formed part of their agraharam; and my decision has not been appealed against.

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) The draft notification under section 16.
(iii) The sketch-map of the reserve.

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

ENCLOSURE No 1.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Andugulapad reserved forest, Vinukonda taluk, Kistna 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 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Kronasani Chenchu of Andugulapad.	4th Aug. 1894.	Claims on behalf of the villagers of Andugulapad and surrounding villages for the exclusion of the shrine of Duggidevamma which is situated on the western slope of Lingalakonda hill, with a space of six yards square to the east of the shrine.	Challadappa, son of Pitchia, the village munsif of Andugulapad, deposeson solemn affirmation in corroboration of the claim.	Admits claim	Claim admitted. The shrine, together with a space of six yards square, will be excluded from the proposed reserve, but left as an enclosure in it; the shrine and the space to the east of it being themselves free from reservation. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, 3rd November 1894. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—The space allowed includes the shrine. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 24th September 1896. Forest Sett.-officer.
2	Challadappa of Andugulapad, village munsif, as head of the village.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the general public the following rights of way:— (1) The cart-track from Andugulapad to Unnadevivaram in the Kurnool district which enters the reserve about seven hundred and forty links north-east of the south-west corner of survey No. 215 of Andugulapad and running through it in a westerly direction and crossing the cart-track No. 4 *infra*, leaves it at a point about three hundred links east of the north-east corner of survey No. 297 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about half a mile and its width six yards. (2) Cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram which enters the reserve at a point about four hundred and fifty links north of the south-west corner of survey No. 261 of Andugulapad and running through it in a north-westerly direction, leaves it at a point about one thousand two hundred and ten links north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 133 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about a mile and its width six yards. (3) Cart-track from Andugulapad to Koppukonda which enters the reserve at a point about two hundred and fifty links west of the north-east corner of survey No. 305 of Andugulapad, runs through it in an almost northerly direction, leaves it at a point about two thousand and six hundred links north of the same corner. Its length through the reserve is about three furlongs and its width six yards. (4) The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram *via* Tangirala agraharam. Its length through the reserve is about five furlongs and its width six yards. This enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 214 of Andugulapad and crossing the cart-track No. 1, leaves it at a point about four hundred links north of the south-west corner of survey No. 295 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about half a mile and its width six yards. (5) The foot and cattle paths from Andugulapad to Koppukonda which enters the reserve at a point about four hundred and fifty links north of the south-west corner of survey No. 216 of Andugulapad and running through it in a north-westerly direction, leaves it at a point about one thousand two hundred links south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about a mile and its width six yards. (6) The foot and cattle paths from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram. (7) The foot-path from Andugulapad to the shrine of Duggidevamma on the Lingalakonda (hill) which branches off from the cart-track from Andugulapad to Koppukonda at the second survey stone on the northern boundary of the reserve counting from and including the one at its north-east corner, runs in it in a westerly direction till it reaches the said shrine. Its length through the reserve is about eight hundred and seventy links (about one and a half furlongs) and its width two yards.	Admits Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 and 6 as he thinks that they are quite unnecessary. 5. Does not admit Nos. 4 and 6 as he thinks that they are quite unnecessary.	Admits Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 and 6 as he thinks that they are quite unnecessary. 5. Does not admit Nos. 4 and 6 as he thinks that they are quite unnecessary.
3	Sistu Rangiah, Nagiah and Bangariah, agraharamdars of Chavutapalem.	26th Nov. 1894.	Claim about 100 acres of Lingalakonda included in the Andugulapad reserve as forming part of their agraharam.	The claimants claim a portion of the hill in question as forming part of their agraharam; but the documents filed by them only show that they have been in the enjoyment of the pullari of the northern portion of the hill. No attempt has been made to prove the assertion that the northern slope of the hill in question forms part of the agraharam and the non-production of their title-deed is fatal to their claim to hold the land in question as against Government. Exhibit 5 shows that the claimants' land consists of survey Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda and is at the disposal of Government. Exhibit 6 shows the hill as Koppukonda hill and	The claimants claim a portion of the hill in question as forming part of their agraharam; but the documents filed by them only show that they have been in the enjoyment of the pullari of the northern portion of the hill. No attempt has been made to prove the assertion that the northern slope of the hill in question forms part of the agraharam and the non-production of their title-deed is fatal to their claim to hold the land in question as against Government. Exhibit 5 shows that the claimants' land consists of survey Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda and is at the disposal of Government. Exhibit 6 shows the hill as Koppukonda hill and

harum consists of Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda, the area of which is 1,313·69 acres and which is shown in the Adangal for fasli 1305 as unsurvey No. 211 is 102·25 acres included in Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*). He also says that they were in the enjoyment of the whole of the portion of Lingalakonda. They also filed four exhibits in support of the claim.

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It has thus been clearly proved by the documents filed by the District Forest-officer and by the evidence of the karnam of Koppukonda that no portion of Lingalakonda is included in the village-site and tanks. No hills appear from these accounts to have been included in the agraharam. Exhibits 3 and 4 show that the Lingalakonda is partly situated in the village of Andugulapad and partly in the village of Koppukonda, that Chavutapalem is included in the latter village and that the hill is quite a separate item. Exhibit 5 shows that the claimants' land consists of survey Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda and that the Lingalakonda lies in a separate number and is at the disposal of Government. Exhibit 6 shows the hill as Koppukonda hill and a portion of Lingalakonda as forming part of the Chavutapalem agraharam, is rejected and the land included in the reserve.

18th June 1896.

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

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. ATKINSON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated 16th October 1896, Dis. No. 1054.

Forwarded to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

2. The statement of area and condition is enclosed.

3. Right of way No. 4 can be later merged into No. 1 when the boundary has been properly cleared; or if the Board thinks fit, in respect of recent Government Orders directing the exclusion of rights of way as far as possible, the southern boundary may be altered by a straight line from the point of entry of right of way No. 1 to the north-east corner of survey No. 296, cutting out 130 acres and excluding right of way No. 1 altogether and a portion of No. 4 which can be afterwards eliminated "*in toto*" when the boundary is cleared. Similarly a straight line from the point of exit of right of way No. 3 to a point 400 links west of the north-east corner of survey No. 305 of Andugulapad would exclude that right of way and 26 acres. The total exclusion in this fashion would be 156 acres, leaving a balance of 2,044 acres.

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STATEMENT of area and condition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government land in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SQ. MLS. Vinukonda. 643	ACS. Occupied .. 162,193 Unoccupied. 215,683	ACS. 66,451	ACS. 35,096	Andugulapad reserve. ACS. 2,044	Rocky, laterite or gravelly soil containing scrub chiefly "carissa" with some "tangedu."	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, dated 11th October 1896, Dis. No. 1054.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Virichinepalle, Anantapur district, 23rd October 1896, R. C. No. 814.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 123, dated 22nd March 1897.

In accordance with the Collector's suggestion in paragraph 3 of his forwarding endorsement, the Board has made certain alterations in the eastern and southern boundaries of the block, as indicated in blue pencil on the sketch-map. Though this course involves a sacrifice of about 156 acres of forest land, it has the advantage of freeing the reserve from unnecessary private rights.

2. The Board accordingly submits to Government the draft notification, as thus amended, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 30th June next being recommended as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

3. The small portion of the cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram *via* Tangirala should be diverted along the boundary line, when cleared, as proposed by the Collector in his endorsement.

4. The block covers an area of 2,044 acres only on account of the exclusions referred to in paragraph 1 above.

(True Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

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

" Collector of Kistna.
" Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.
" Forest Settlement-officer, Kistna, &c., districts.

Exd. Md. Pahilvan.

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G.O., Nos. 261, 261A, 23rd April 1897.

APRIL.

Reserved Forest.

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1	Kronasani Chenchu of Andugulapad.	4th Aug. 1894.	Claims on behalf of the villagers of Andugulapad and surrounding villages for the exclusion of the shrine of Duggidevamma which is situated on the western slope of Lingalakonda hill, with a space of six yards square to the east of the shrine.	Challadappa, son of Pitchia, the village munsif of Andugulapad, deposeon solemn affirmation in corroboration of the claim.	Admits claim	Claim admitted. The shrine, together with a space of six yards square, will be excluded from the proposed reserve, but left as an enclosure in it; the shrine and the space to the east of it being themselves free from reservation. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, 3rd November 1894 Forest Sett.-officer. *Note*.—The space allowed includes the shrine. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 24th September 1896. Forest Sett.-officer.
2	Challadappa of Andugulapad, village munsif, as Head of the village.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the general public the following rights of way:— (1) The cart-track from Andugulapad to Unnadevivaram in the Kurnool district which enters the reserve about seven hundred and forty links north-east of the south-west corner of survey No. 297 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through it in a westerly direction and crossing the cart-track No. 4 *infra*, leaves it at a point about four hundred and fifty links north of the north-east corner of survey No. 297 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about half a mile and its width six yards. (2) Cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram which enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 261 of Andugulapad and running through it in a north-westerly direction, leaves it at a point about one thousand two hundred and ten links north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 133 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about a mile and its width six yards. (3) Cart-track from Andugulapad to Koppukonda which enters the reserve at a point about three hundred and fifty links west of the south-west corner of survey No. 215 of Andugulapad and running through it in an almost north-westerly direction, leaves it at a point about two thousand and six hundred links north of the same corner. Its length through the reserve is about three furlongs and its width six yards. (4) The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram *vis* Tangirala agraharam enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 214 of Andugulapad and leaves it at a point about four hundred links north of the south-east corner of survey No. 295 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about half a mile and its width two yards. (5) The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Koppukonda which enters the reserve at a point one hundred links south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 364-9 of Andugulapad, runs through it in an almost northerly direction and leaves it at a point four hundred and thirty links east of the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about a mile and its width two yards. (6) The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram. (7) The foot-path from Andugulapad to the shrine of Duggidevamma on the Lingalakonda (hill) which branches off from the cart-track from Andugulapad to Koppukonda at the second survey stone on the northern boundary of the reserve counting from and including the one at its north-east corner, runs in it in a westerly direction till it reaches the said shrine. Its length through the reserve is about eight hundred and seventy links (about one and a half furlongs) and its width two yards.	4 and 6 as he thinks that they are quite unnecessary. .... 5. Does not admit Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 *infra*, leaves it at a point about three hundred links east of the reserve at a point about four hundred and fifty links north of it in a north-westerly direction, leaves it at a point about two thousand and six hundred links north of the same corner. Its length through the reserve is about three furlongs and its width six yards. (4) The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram *vis* Tangirala agraharam enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 214 of Andugulapad and leaves it at a point about four hundred links north of the south-east corner of survey No. 295 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about half a mile and its width two yards. (5) The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Koppukonda which enters the reserve at a point one hundred links south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 364-9 of Andugulapad, runs through it in an almost northerly direction and leaves it at a point four hundred and thirty links east of the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram. Its length through the reserve is about a mile and its width two yards. (6) The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram. (7) The foot-path from Andugulapad to the shrine of Duggidevamma on the Lingalakonda (hill) which branches off from the cart-track from Andugulapad to Koppukonda at the second survey stone on the northern boundary of the reserve counting from and including the one at its north-east corner, runs in it in a westerly direction till it reaches the said shrine. Its length through the reserve is about eight hundred and seventy links (about one and a half furlongs) and its width two yards.	The claimants examined one witness, the karnam of Koppukonda, who says that Chavutapalem agraharam is about 100 acres in extent and is not included in the Andugulapad reserve as forming part of their agraharam.
3	Sistu Rangiah, Nagiah and Rangariah, agraharamdars of Chavutapalem.	26th Nov. 1894.	Claim about 100 acres of Lingalakonda included in the Andugulapad reserve as forming part of their agraharam.	The District Forest-officer objects to the claim on the ground that Lingalakonda does not form part of the Chavutapalem agraharam and filed six exhibits in support of the defence.		The claimants claim a portion of the hill in question as forming part of their agraharam; but the documents filed by them only show that they have been in the enjoyment of the pullari of the northern portion of the hill. No attempt has been made to prove the assertion that the northern slope of the hill in question forms part of the agraharam and the non-production of their title-deed is fatal to their claim to hold the land in question

agraharam consists of Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda, the area of which is 1,313·69 acres and that Lingalakonda which is shown in the Adangal for fasli 1305 as unsurvey No. 211 is 102·25 acres in extent and is not included in Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*). He also says that they were in the enjoyment of the whole of the portion of Lingalakonda. They also filed four exhibits in support of the claim.

under that deed, that is, as "inam." The exhibits 1 and 2 filed by the District Forest-officer show that the poramboke included in the village-site and tanks. No hills appear from these accounts to have been included in the agraharam. Exhibits 3 and 4 show that the Lingalakonda is partly situated in the village of Andugulapad and partly in the village of Koppukonda, that Chavutapalem is included in the latter village and that the hill is quite a separate item. Exhibit 5 shows that the claimants' land consists of survey Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) of Koppukonda and that the Lingalakonda lies in a separate number and is at the disposal of Government. Exhibit 6 shows the hill as Koppukonda hill and separate from survey Nos. 55 and 74 (*b*) comprising the agraharam.

It has thus been clearly proved by the documents filed by the District Forest-officer and by the evidence of the karnam of Koppukonda that no portion of Lingalakonda is included in the Chavutapalem agraharam, while the documents filed by the claimants show that they have been only in the enjoyment of that portion of the hill which faces their agraharam and that this privilege was only recognized in 1871. The claimants have failed to prove that any portion of the hill is included in the agraharam. The present claim, therefore, to a portion of Lingalakonda as forming part of the agraharam, is rejected and the land included in the reserve.

18th June 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH,
Forest Sett.-officer.

* Eastern slope.

Enclosure No. 2.—Draft notification.

Enclosure No. 3.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. ATKINSON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated 16th October 1896, Dis. No. 1054.

Forwarded to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

2. The statement of area and condition is enclosed.

3. Right of way No. 4 can be later merged into No. 1 when the boundary has been properly cleared; or if the Board thinks fit, in respect of recent Government Orders directing the exclusion of rights of way as far as possible, the southern boundary may be altered by a straight line from the point of entry of right of way No. 1 to the north-east corner of survey No. 296, cutting out 130 acres and excluding right of way No. 1 altogether and a portion of No. 4 which can be afterwards eliminated "*in toto*" when the boundary is cleared. Similarly a straight line from the point of exit of right of way No. 3 to a point 400 links west of the north-east corner of survey No. 305 of Andugulapad would exclude that right of way and 26 acres. The total exclusion in this fashion would be 156 acres, leaving a balance of 2,044 acres.

Statement of area ad conndition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government land in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
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SQ. MLS. Vinukonda. 643	ACS. Occupied .. 162,193 Unocupied. 215,683	ACS. 66,451	ACS. 35,096	Andugulapad reserve. ACS. 2,044	Rocky, laterite or gravelly soil containing scrub chiefly "carissa" with some "tangedu."	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, dated 11th October 1896, Dis. No. 1054.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Virichinepalle, Anantapur district, 23rd October 1896, R. C. No. 814.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 123, dated 22nd March 1897.

In accordance with the Collector's suggestion in paragraph 3 of his forwarding endorsement, the Board has made certain alterations in the eastern and southern boundaries of the block as indicated in blue pencil on the sketch-map. Though this course involves a sacrifice of about 156 acres of forest land, it has the advantage of freeing the reserve from unnecessary private rights.

2. The Board accordingly submits to Government the draft notification, as thus amended, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 30th June next being recommended as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

3. The small portion of the cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram *vid* Tangirala should be diverted along the boundary line, when cleared, as proposed by the Collector in his endorsement.

4. The block covers an area of 2,044 acres only on account of the exclusions referred to in paragraph 1 above.

(True Copy 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 to be returned.

,, Collector of Kistna.
,, Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.
,, Forest Settlement-officer, Kistna, &c., districts.

Order—No. 261, Revenue, dated 23rd April 1897.

Forest No. 65.

The draft notification, as amended by the Board of Revenue, will be published in the Fort St. George and Kistna District Gazettes, the 30th June 1897 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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

Endorsement No. 261A.

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

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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 30th June 1897, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted "reserved forest."

Schedule.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna.	Vinukonda.	Andugulapad ..	*North.*—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram, the southern surveyed boundary of Koppukonda village to the trijunction of Koppukonda, Lingalakonda and Andugulapad. *East.*—From the said trijunction a straight line south-south-east through survey No. 364 of Andugulapad for about twenty-one chains to a point about twenty-six chains north-north-east of the north-east corner of survey No. 305; thence a straight line south-south-west to a point about four chains west of the above corner; then the north sides of survey Nos. 305, 273, 272, 271 and 263 to the south-east corner of sub-survey No. 364-9; then the east, north and west sides of that number to its south-west corner; then the north and west sides of survey No. 26[illegible] south-west corner; then a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 263; then the west sides o[illegible]e number and of Nos. 262, 237 and 236 to the north-east corner of survey No. 235; then the north sides of survey Nos. 235 and 230 to the north-west corner of the latter number; then the west sides of survey Nos. 230 and 229 to the north-west corner of survey No. 227; then the south-west side of that number to its southernmost corner; then the west sides of survey Nos. 226, 223, 220, 219, 218, 216 and 215 to a point about eight chains north-east of the south-west corner of No. 215. *South.*—Thence a straight line to the north-east corner of No. 296. *West.*—Thence the east sides of survey Nos. 295, 294, 293 and 264 to the north-east corner of the last number; then the south and east sides of survey No. 263 and the east sides of survey Nos. 261, 260 and 259 to the south-east corner of survey No. 131; then the east sides of that number and of Nos. 133, 134, 112, 111, 101, 97 and 96 to the starting point (all the above numbers are of Nilagangavaram).

Remarks.—I. The following public rights of way are allowed:—

(i) *The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve at a point four hundred and fifty links north of the south-west corner of survey No. 261 of Andugulapad and running through it in a north-westerly direction for about a mile, leaves it at a point about one thousand two hundred and ten links north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 133 of Nilagangavaram.

(ii) *The cart-track from Andugulapad to Nilagangavaram vid Tangirala Agraharam to a width of six yards.*—This enters the reserve, about three chains east of the north-east corner of No. 296 of Nilagangavaram and running through it in an almost north-westerly direction for about six chains, leaves it at a point about four hundred links north of the south-east corner of survey No. 295 of Nilagangavaram.

(iii) *The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to Koppukonda to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve at a point one hundred links south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 364-9 of Andugulapad and running through it in an almost northerly direction for about a mile, leaves it at a point about four hundred and thirty links east of the north-east corner of survey No. 96 of Nilagangavaram.

(iv) *The foot and cattle path from Andugulapad to the shrine of Duggidevamma on the Lingalakonda hill to a width of two yards.*—This enters at the second survey stone on the northern boundary of the reserve, counting from the survey stone at its north-east corner, runs through it in a westerly direction till it reaches the shrine.

II. The shrine of Duggidevamma situated on the eastern slope of Lingalakonda hill, with a space of six yards square; including the shrine, has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation with access by the foot and cattle path No. 4 *supra*.

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