

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 35 14

DATED 9th July 97

[Despatch Abstract.]

*Declining to reconsider the orders
already passed on petition from T. Muthuranga,
Late Head Qumastah, Ponnani Taluk, Chingleput
Dt. regarding his reclusion.*

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From

H. A. Sine Esq. J. C.
Ag Private Secretary
to the Governor.

No.

Order Misc 105/100/59.7.97

The Govt sees no reason
to reconsider the orders already
passed.

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Dated 3rd July 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Transfers a petition dated 17
June 1897 from J. Kuthuwaigal
Late Head Gumnastak Ponnari
Taluk, Chingleput District and
acting Taluk Gumnastak Saidapati
praying that he may be either
restored to his former post or
that he may be appointed to a
clerk's post on Rs 15.

By order

H. A. Sine

Ag Private Secretary

To the petn. with Encls
106. 13-7-97

Please see note under
G.O. No 1903 D 16.5.96. The
present petition does not contain
anything new is an appeal
for mercy.

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PETITION

REVENUE DEPT

Saidapet
17th June 1897

To

His Excellency The Right Hon.

Sir Arthur Elibank Harcourt

C. C. S. I.

Governor of Madras.

The humble memorial
of J. Muthurajayalali
Head gumastah on Rs 20
of the Ponneri taluk Chingleput
District and now an
attender on Rs 8 in the
Head Quarter Dy Collector
office Saidapet and
ag. taluk gumastah on Rs 15
Saidapet.

Most respectfully Sheweth:-

Your humble memorialist
begs to approach your Excellency
with these few lines on the
occasion of the Diamond
Jubilee when several kinds
of reliefs are expected to be
granted to those who are in
need of the same.

Your memorialist's case
being a hard one well deserving
of Consideration your Memorialist

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

sought this as a fitting opportunity
to have a review of his grievances.

The history of your humble
Memorialist's Case is briefly
as follows

Your humble memorialist
passed the late General Test
Reamination in 1873 and his
circumstances did not permit
him to continue further he
had to seek an employment.
He was volunteering in several
offices and holding appointments
till 10th October 1879, when
he was confirmed as a taluk
gumastah on Rs 15. His hard
and honest work ^{having} secured the
good opinion of his masters,
he was promoted to the post of
Head gumastah on Rs 20 in 1892.
He continued to be so till 5th

January 1895 when misfortune
overtook him. He was degraded
to the post of an attender on
Rs 8 in the Head Quarter Dy
Collector's office Saidapet.
(From superior to inferior service
debaring his prospects in life
for ever) for having made

an alleged false report in
the matter of Collections.

In May 1894 fortune
began to frown on him. Though
the duties of Head gumastah
are confined to desk, your
humble memorialist was
deputed by the tahsildar
to out-door work to which he
was never accustomed and
asked to go to a few villages
named and to stir up the
village officials in the matter
of Revenue Collections. He
was not furnished with
any demand or written order
for the Collection of Revenue
as is usual to do. Your humble
Memorialist having visited
some villages, made a report
to the tahsildar under date the
28th May 1894 respecting the
result of his visit. The gist of
the case against your humble
Memorialist for which his
reduction was effected con-
sists in the above report
which runs as follows:-

To M. R. N.
M. Sanyin Nayon garu
Tahs. of Ponnery

In obedience to the verbal

"order I beg to state below the steps taken by me in the matter of Collections in the villages of Sompattu, Kelikodi and Kattavur villages.

Sompattu village

arrears - - - - - Rs 204-14-6
 Collection of 26-5-94
 Credits in the treasury a/c - 52-4-10
 Collection in the hands of the Munsiff on 28-5-94 which was ordered to be remitted on 29-5-94. - 55-14-
 Moveables (mostly Cattle) attached and impounded in the Panneri pound - 32-9-6
 To be adjusted from the pay of Vetti - - - - - 13-1
 In cases of transfer of puttas to be adjusted on orders from taluk. - 12-8-0
 Attachment of lands to be sold on 11-6-94 - 50-12-7
~~24-14-6~~

The last item consisted of Rs 94 and odd which was reduced to the present figure with much difficulty. This might even be reduced by Rs 30 for the following reasons.

No 8-0-11 could be collected from taluk gamastah Ranga Swami Iyayudu on account of putta No 123 due by his wife Elhiyayamma

" and Rs 21-8- being the quit rent due on Karmam inam which could be collected from Karmam Latchmaraja Pillai of Arasur. The above two amounts aggregating Rs 29-8-11 might be deducted from the pay of the respective men and adjusted towards the dues.

Kattavur

arrears - - - - - 188-12-2
 Collection - - - - - 149-7-3
 The balance of Rs 39-4-10 has been covered by attachment of lands to be sold on 20th June. This appears to have been already scrutinized by you and so there is no likelihood of the amount being collected before the 20th June.

Kelikodi

arrears - - - - - Rs 121-10-1
 Collection - - - - - 65-8-
 Covered by attachment of moveables - 56-2-11
 The Karmam having returned to the village from Pulicat on the evening of the 25th inst. it was not possible to furnish

Note

The subject matter of the charge against the memorialist -

"order" the Defaulter with the necessary
 slip particulars of sums due by
 and each of them and hence the
 will attachment. I have instructed
 an the Munsiff to ascertain
 necessary particulars from
 the Karam and show a
 Colle mil balance sheet within
 Colle the 30th idem. As regards
 the 17th the other villages of Arasur
 run Andavayal and Appalavaram
 the Karam Latchmana
 att Pillai who has returned from
 to Pulicat on the evening of
 the 25th said that he would
 In furnish the arrear list on
 of the 27th after completing the
 att preparation of No 12 account.
 to (total demand of the village).
 The arrear list has not been
 The sent to me yet - I shall
 proceed to these villages this
 evening and make a report
 be about the arrears in them
 to later on."

- sd. I. Muthuvanyar.
 Head Gunastah.

19 May 1894.

Thus it would appear
 that the above report was
 based on the information
 furnished by the Village Officer
 and could not have been
 otherwise - The amount of
 Collections was verified with
 reference to the Cash Chetty
 maintained by the Monigab.
 The Cash account is maintained
 in villages in loose sheets which
 might be substituted by fresh
 ones at the will and pleasure
 of the Monigar before the
 despatch of remittance to the
 taluk.

On the 29th of May the
 Tahsildar visited the village
 of Kattavur only about a
 mile off from the Head
 Quarters of the Taluk - A
 Cash account giving credit
 for Rs 3-8-0 paid by two
 individuals on the 27th when
 appears to have been
 produced for the inspection
 of the Tahsildar, the Cash
 account shown to your humble
 memorialist being kept back.

or seeing the difference between
the amount reported by the
memorialist & that in the
Cash account shown ^{to him} _{an}
explanation was called for
from the memorialist. He
explained that the Mungar
kept back the real state of
things from the Tahsil Dar and
that his report was made from
the information obtained
from the village officials.

Your memorialist begs
to submit that he could have
had no motive in making
a false report as alleged.
He trusted the village officials
and acted on their information.
For this credulousness your
memorialist was taken to
task and doomed to undergo
the severest penalty of reduction
from Rs 20 to Rs 8. The truth
appears to be this, the Mungar
was in arrears at the time of
the Tahsil Dar's visit to the
village and he concealed the
real Cash account, lest he
will be asked to finance the
money for his inspection and the
Collection might be short from
those shown in the Cash account.

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But however the whole affair
more or less as reported by your
Excellency's humble memorialist
was remitted to the treasury
before the close of the month
2 or 3 days after your the
date of the report referred to.
Your memorialist refrains
from giving more detailed
and satisfactory explanation
probably your Excellency
may not reopen the subject
to treat this as a review and
act thereon. Your memorialist
appeal to Board and Govern-
ment were of no avail.

Your memorialist is a
man of great family
having no other means of
subsistence. Having served
Government for over 17 years
he could not now change
his course of life.

Your memorialist does not
urge your Excellency to enter
into the merits of his case
or to consider about the
equity of punishment
inflicted on him. But he
craves your Excellency with

be graciously pleased to
 exercise the prerogative
 of mercy and direct the
 restoration of the memorialist
 in order that an appoint-
 ment of Rs 15 be conferred
 on him on the occurrence
 of a vacancy -

Your memorialist would
 not even trouble your Excellency
 if he has any other means
 of living - He is solely depending
 upon Government for his
 subsistence -

It must be mentioned
 for your Excellency's information
 that by the sanction he lost
 all hope of getting a pension -
 The pension rules do not permit
 servants in inferior service
 to earn a pension of more than
 Rs 4 a month till after the
 completion of 30 years service -

In Conclusion your
 memorialist prays that
 your Excellency would be

graciously pleased to inscribe
 his name in the list of
 many a ^{helpless} individual whom
 your Excellency has taken
 under your Excellency's kind
 patronage and thus confer
 an everlasting boon as
 prayed for ~~above~~ by him -

On occasions of this
 one like the Diamond
Jubilee even hard Condemned
 Criminals are set at
 liberty your humble
 memorialist begs that
 he may be granted a relief
 in the form of restoration
 to his post or appointment
 to a clerk's post on Rs 15 -

For which your Excellency
 memorialist shall ever
 pray -

L. Mathew.

Now an acting gurnamsh
 Saidapet Tattul
 Saidapet.

P.S.

The records of the Case
 are herewith submitted for perusal

1. Collector's Progs. of 5-1-95
2. Printed petition to Board
4. Collector's Indt. thereon
5. Board's Indt.
6. Petition to Govt.
7. Govt. Indt. -

Diamond Jubilee

To
His Excellency the Right
Hon. Sir Arthur E. Havelock &c
S. I. Governor of Madras.

Dated 17th June 1897.

Memorial of T. Muthu Aiyar
imploving to exercise prerogative
of mercy to grant relief by conferring a post-
on the occasion of the
Diamond Jubilee

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