

Revenue (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest.

The draft notified, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Veldurthi blocks, in the Palnad Taluk, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Kistna District Gazette.

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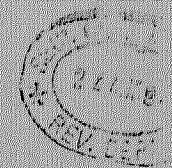
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From

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

Forest No. 327.

Forest No. 165

Order No 756 of 4th Sept. 1897

The draft notification will be published in the Fort St George and Kishna St gazettes, the 30th November 1897 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

Dated 4th August 1897.

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*Supt of Forest Survey
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Order No 756 A.*

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SUBJECT.

Submitting draft notice for the constitution of the Veldurthi block in the Palnad taluk, Pottanna St., as a reserved forest.

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

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna.	Palnad ..	Veldurti reserve.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the south-west corner of survey No. 270 of Bodilavidu, the southern surveyed limits of that village up to the south-east corner of survey No. 215; then a straight line south-east to a cairn about two chains south of the well which lies east of the shrine of Parentalagudi; then a straight line due north to the south-west corner of survey No. 211; then the surveyed limits of Bodilavidu, village.</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Then the west sides of sub-survey Nos. 1304-1 and 1304-2 to the south-west corner of the latter number.</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Then the north sides of survey Nos. 1176, 1175, 1174 and 1173 (all of Potlavidi) and the northern surveyed limits of Vuppalapad and Veldurti villages up to the north-west corner of survey No. 784 of the last village.</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Then a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 1266 of Veldurti; then a straight line to the starting point touching the north-east side of survey No. 398 of Gullapad.</p>

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

(i) *The foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Bodilavidu to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 1259 of Veldurti about three furlongs seven chains south-east of the northernmost corner of survey No. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about five furlongs leaves the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 260 of Bodilavidu.

(ii) *The foot and cattle path from Bodilavidu to Vuppalapad to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve about six and a half chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 211 of Bodilavidu and running south-east and crossing the foot and cattle path No. (iii) *infra*, leaves the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 187 of Vuppalapad, the length inside the reserve being about three miles.

(iii) *The foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Mandadi to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 4 of Veldurti and running north-east and crossing the foot and cattle path No. (ii) *supra* leaves the reserve into survey No. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about one mile and six furlongs.

(iv) *The cart-track from Vuppalapad to Mandadi to a width of four yards.*—This enters the reserve about four and a half chains south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 54 of Vuppalapad and running in a northerly direction for about one mile leaves it into survey No. 183 of Mandadi.

II. The following has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation :—

(i) Survey No. 1266 of Veldurti measuring 11.1 acres, with access by the ~~(ii)~~ foot and cattle path two yards wide crossing the reserve about eleven chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 1266 of Veldurti and running north-east for about seven furlongs to the field.

(Signed) T. M. NALLASWAMI NAYUDU,
for District Forest-officer.

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

Secretary.

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(1). S. No. 1268 of Veldurto measuring
11.1 aas, with a new by the ⁽²⁷⁾ foot and
Cattle-path 2. yards wide entering the
 Reserve about 11 chains South of the
Northeast Corner of S. No. 1266 of
Veldurto and running northeast for
about 7 furlangs to the field.

E. Smith

District Survey Officer. I am 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 of which are set forth in the Schedule appended to this Notification shall be constituted "Reserved Forest."

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District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	Boundaries.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
Kistna	Palnad	Veldurta Reserve	<p>North:— Starting from the Southwest Corner of S.no. 270 of Bodilani to the Southern Surveyed limits of that Village up to the Southeast Corner of S.no. 215; then a straight line Southeast to a Cairn about 2 chains South of the well which lies east of the Shrine of Parantalagudi; then a straight line due north to the Southwest Corner of S.no. 211; then the Surveyed limits of Bodilani, Mandadi and Potlani Villages to the northwest Corner of Sub. Survey No. 1304 of the last named Village.</p> <p>East:— Then the west sides of Sub S.no. 1304 and 1304 to the Southwest Corner of the latter number.</p> <p>South:— Then the north sides of S.nos. 1176, 1175, 1174, and 1173 (all of Potlani) and the northern Surveyed limits of Vuppalapad and Veldurta villages up to the northwest Corner of S.no. 784 of the last village.</p> <p>West:— Then a straight line to the northeast Corner of S.no. 1266 of Veldurta; then a straight line to the starting point touching the northeast side of S.no. 398 of Gullapad.</p>	<p>I The following public rights of way are allowed:—</p> <p>(i) The foot and cattle path from Veldurta to Bodilani to a width of 2 yards. This enters the reserve north of the northernmost Corner of S.no. 1259 of Veldurta about 3 furlongs Southeast of the northernmost Corner of S.no. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about 5 furlongs leaves the reserve at the Southeast Corner of S.no. 260 of Bodilani.</p> <p>(ii) The foot and cattle path from Bodilani to Vuppalapad to a width of 2 yards. This enters the reserve about 6 1/2 chains South of the Southwest Corner of S.no. 211 of Bodilani and running Southeast and crossing the foot and cattle path No. 111 leaves the reserve at the northwest Corner of S.no. 187 of Vuppalapad, the length inside the reserve being about 3 miles.</p> <p>(iii) The foot and cattle path from Veldurta to Mandadi to a width of 2 yards:— This enters the reserve at the northernmost Corner of S.no. 4 of Veldurta and running north and crossing the foot and cattle path No. 111 leaves the reserve into S.no. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about 1 mile and 6 furlongs.</p> <p>(iv) The cart track from Vuppalapad to Mandadi to a width of 4 yards:— This enters the reserve about 4 1/2 chains South-west of the northernmost Corner of S.no. 54 of Vuppalapad and running in a northerly direction for about 1 mile leaves it into S.no. 185 of Mandadi.</p> <p>II The following has been ordered to be decreed out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation:—</p>

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1897.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed August th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 327, 4th August 1897.

AUGUST.

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 Veldurti block, in the Palnad 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, Masulipatam], dated Camp, Sydapuram, 12th December 1896, Ref. on Cur. No. 159 :—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Veldurti reserve in the Palnad 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 at page 530 of the *Port St. George Gazette*, dated 14th May 1895, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette, dated 5th October 1895. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 5th January 1896.

3. The block was inspected, perambulated, and enquired into, by me in February 1896, and forty claims were preferred for the following rights :—

- (i) Twenty-two claims to Government patta lands.
- (ii) Ten claims to rights of way.
- (iii) Four claims to right to use the water of certain kuntas and wells.
- (iv) Two claims to shrines.
- (v) One claim to a right of way to one of the shrines.
- (vi) One claim to right of way to the wells.

Of the twenty-two claims to Government patta fields, twenty-one claims were admitted, while the remaining one was rejected, the fields claimed lying outside the reserve; of those admitted, the patta fields in thirteen cases have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while that in one case has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve. Those in the remaining cases have been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894. Of the ten claims to rights of way involved in item No. (ii), seven claims to four rights of way were admitted and the remaining claims were rejected as unnecessary.

The claims to a right to the use of the water of certain kuntas and wells, to a right of way to one of the shrines and to a right of way to the wells involved in item Nos. (iii), (v) and (vi) were rejected as unnecessary. Of the two claims to shrines involved in item No. (iv), one claim was admitted and the shrine has been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while the remaining claim was rejected as the shrine lies outside the reserve.

4. With reference to the last clause of paragraph 3 of Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 118 of 1st March 1895, the western boundary of the reserve has been altered with the concurrence of the District Forest-officer, so as to exclude the patta and other lands fit for cultivation.

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

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

- (i) A signed copy of 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 Veldurti reserved forest, Palnad 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	Chinna Guruvappa of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 1264 and 1265 of Veldurti, measuring 5.27 and 5.67 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-4-0 and Rs. 5-9-0, respectively.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
2	J. Pitchai of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1257 of Veldurti, measuring 7.12 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
3	P. Guruviah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1258-1 of Veldurti, measuring 6.81 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-10-0.	Do.	Do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
4	D. Venkiah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey Nos. 1258-2 and 1265 of Veldurti, measuring 1.12 and 1.79 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0 and Rs. 1-6-0, respectively.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of fields by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
5	Chinna Kotareddi of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1259 and 1262 of Veldurti, measuring 3 and 10.8 acres and assessed at Rs. 3-10-0 and Rs. 10-1-0, respectively.	Do.	Do.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
6	J. Nagiah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1263 of Veldurti, measuring 6.9 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-1-0.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th March 1896.
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B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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7	Saheegadu of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1264 of Veldurti, measuring 4-13 acres and assessed at Rs. 4-2-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.
8	N. Venkadu of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims right to survey No. 1266 of Veldurti, measuring 7-20 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-6-0.	The land, claimant says, was purchased by him 6 years ago; he has no sale-deed and no transfer has been effected. The village accounts show the names of— (1) M. Subbiah. (2) Chensiah. (3) Sakala Pulligada. (4) Papadu. (5) Ramudu as pattadars. Supported by village accounts ..	Do.	Claim admitted in the name of (1) M. Subbiah, (2) Chensiah, (3) Sakala Pulligadu, (4) Papadu and (5) Ramudu. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.
9	B. Yellamanda of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims on behalf of his father Ramanyiam patta right over survey No. 1267 of Veldurti, measuring 6-39 acres and assessed at Rs. 4-13-0.	Do.	Do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.
10	N. Kotegadu of Gullapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 403 and 404 of Gullapad, measuring 1-28 and 0-64 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-5-0 and Rs. 9, respectively.	The fields lie outside the reserve.	The District Forest-officer does not admit claim as the fields lie outside the reserve.	Claim rejected as unnecessary as the fields lie outside the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.
11	C. Latchigadu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 402 of Gullapad, measuring 1-10 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.
12	Thimmigadu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 398 and 401 of Gullapad, measuring 6-26 and 1-39 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-4-0 and Rs. 1-6-0, respectively.	Do.	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the fields by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.
13	G. Ramudu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 399 of Gullapad, measuring 1-44 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-7-0.	Do.	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 31st March 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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14	Y. Pitchie, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Mandadi.	This enters the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 4 of Veldurti and running north-east and crossing the reserve into survey No. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about 1 mile 6 furlongs.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 1st April 1896.
15	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Veldurti.	This enters the reserve north of the northernmost corner of No. 1259 of Veldurti, about 3 furlongs 7 chains south-east of the northernmost corner of No. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about 5 furlongs leaves the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 260 of Bodilavudu.	Do.	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 1st April 1896.
16	Y. Pitchie, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Bodilavudu.		Objects as the temple is outside the reserve.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the temple lies outside the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
17	Y. Narasiah, karnam of Gullapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community right to the temple of Anjeneyaswami together with a right of way to it.		Admits claim and requests the exclusion of the shrine by alteration of boundary.	Claim admitted. The shrine will be excluded by an alteration of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
18	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavudu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community the shrine of Parabrahmagudi midway between the 2nd and 3rd wells from the boundary.		Objects to it as a right, but will be excluded with the shrine in claim No. 18-21.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the wells have been excluded with the shrine by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
19	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavudu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the villages right to the use of the water for drinking purposes of 8 wells which are the chief sources of supply to the people and cattle of the village.			Claim rejected as unnecessary—vide order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
20	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavudu.	Do.	Claims right of way to the wells referred to above.			Claim rejected as unnecessary—vide order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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21	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavidu.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community right of way to the shrine of Parentalagudi.			Claim rejected as unnecessary—vide order on claim No. 18-21. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
22	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Bodilavidu to Veldurti.			Vide order on claim No. 16-2. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
23	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gunastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Vuppallapad to Bodilavidu.	This enters the reserve about 6½ chains south of the south-west corner of No. 211 of Bodilavidu and running south-east and crossing the path in claim No. 14-1 leaves the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 187 of Vuppallapad, the length inside the reserve being about 3 miles.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of 2 yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
24	Chinna Latchmi Narasu, karnam of Vuppallapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Vuppallapad to Bodilavidu.	The foot-path passes through the portion already excluded on account of patta fields.		Claim rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
25	Y. Narasiah, karnam of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Mandadi to Vuppallapad.	This enters the reserve about 4½ chains south-west of the northern-most corner of No. 64 of Vuppallapad and running in a northerly direction for about one mile leaves it into survey No. 185 of Mandadi.	Admits claim	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of 4 yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
26	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Vuppallapad.		Objects as unnecessary	Rejected as unnecessary as the cart-track admitted in claim No. 26-33 will serve all purposes. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
27	Chinna Latchmi Narasu, karnam of Vuppallapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Vuppallapad to Mandadi.			
28	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Vuppallapad.			

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

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29	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to use the water of Pulli Obulamma kunda situated on the path from Mandadi to Veldurti.	The karnam says that Pulli Obulamma constructed this kunda about four years ago. There is now no water in the kunda and cattle could get water in the vagu outside the reserve. The Tahsildar reports that no permission was obtained to construct it.	Objects as kunda stands on Government land.	Claim rejected as in the absence of a right to free grazing there can be no right to the use of the water of the kunda which is on Government land. Further the kunda contains no water during the greater part of the year when water could be had in a vagu outside. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
30	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to the use of the water of Sanjivi Reddi kunda situated south of survey No. 581 of Mandadi.	Constructed the karnam says, by a ryot who is dead, without permission. There is a vagu outside which contains water.	Objects as it is on Government land.	In the absence of a right to free grazing the claim to the use of water inside the reserve is rejected. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
31	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to the use of the water of Penadu kunda situated south of survey No. 569 of Mandadi.	Karnam says this was constructed without permission by a ryot who is dead. There is a vagu outside which contains water.	Do.	In the absence of a right to free grazing the claim to the use of water inside the reserve is rejected. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
32	K. Venkatarayadu of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims patta right over survey No. 1268 of Veldurti, measuring 11.1 acres, assessed at Rs. 8-4-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer admits claim and wishes that the field may be retained as an enclosure.	Claim admitted. The field will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve, free from reservation, with access by the foot and cattle path two yards wide entering the reserve about eleven chains south of the north-east corner of No. 1266 of Veldurti and running north-east for about seven furlongs to the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd July 1896.
33	Linganna of Vuppallapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims as guardian on behalf of her minor son Siddam Ayoliah patta right over survey No. 407 of Vuppallapad, measuring 4.46 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-5-0.	Do.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896.
27						Note—Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 31-0-9. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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34 14	N. Thimiah of Vuppapad.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1288 of Veldurti, measuring 10-23 acres, assessed at Rs. 7-11-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 49 of Vuppapad, measuring 7-10 acres of survey No. 49 of Vuppapad assessed at Rs. 7-11-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 1165 of Putlavid village, measuring 4-28 acres, assessed at Rs. 9-3-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 378 of Vuppapad, measuring 6-34 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-2-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896. Claim admitted in the name of K. Kasigada. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 264-3 of Veldurti, measuring 7-30 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-10-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896.
35 13	P. Baliah of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 1270 of Veldurti, measuring 5-78 acres, assessed at Rs. 7-11-0.	Do.	Do.	Do.
36 28	Gurappa, Thimiah and Yellamanda of Vuppapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claim joint patta right over survey No. 405 of Vuppapad, measuring 7-4 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	Do.	Do.	Do.
37 29	K. Kasigadu of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims right over survey No. 405 of Vuppapad, measuring 7-4 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	The village accounts show one N. Kotamma as the pattadar. Claimant says he purchased it from her and Kotamma admits the sale.	Do.	Do.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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38 30	Latchmiah of Vuppapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims patta right over survey No. 409 of Vuppapad, measuring 6-30 acres, assessed at Rs. 4-12-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 264 of Veldurti, measuring 5-0 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-12-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange—
39 31	M. Pitchiradu of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 406 of Vuppapad, measuring 11-43 acres, assessed at Rs. 8-10-0.	Do.	Do.	Survey number. Measuring. Assessed at. 29 ACS. RS. A. P. 1-15 0 14 0 30 1-55 3 8 0 31 3-43 3 7 0
40 16	P. Andiyra of Vuppapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims right over survey No. 709 of Bodliavidu, measuring 1-43 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	The village accounts show that K. Kotiah is the pattadar and claimant, his nephew, has been in possession for 15 years.	Do.	of Vuppapad and survey No. 1166 of Putlavid, measuring 5-25 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-15-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896. Claim admitted in the name of K. Kotiah. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired by the grant in exchange of 1-50 acres of survey No. 391 of Bodliavid, assessed at Rs. 1-2-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 8th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the block.	Claims to patta and inam lands.						Claims to rights of way.			Claims to shrines or temples and rights of way to them.		
	Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.		Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Veldurti reserve	22	ACS. 141.25	21	ACS. 139.43	1	ACS. 1.82	10	7	3	3	1	2

Name and number of the block.	Claims to the use of water of wells, &c.			Claim to right of way to wells.			Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
Veldurti reserve	4	..	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	40	28	12

* Of this the fields in twelve claims were excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary; those in eight cases measuring 53.83 acres were acquired, while that in one case, measuring 11.1 acres has been retained as an enclosure free from reservation.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. AKKISON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated 2nd March 1897, Dis. No. 2377.

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

- The statement of area and condition is enclosed.
- The area is reduced by 1,002 acres, making it 3,568 acres.
- Figure 6 entered as number of admitted claims under public rights of way in the numerical statement since received is a mistake for 7.

ENCLOSURE.

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
Palnad taluk, 1,066 SQ. MLS.	Occupied. ACS. 289,565 Unoccupied .. 380,099	ACS. 159,005	ACS. 21,443	Veldurti reserve, ACS. 3,568	Low scrub forest with palmyras.	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, Dis. No. 2377, dated 2nd March 1897.

* Includes 592 acres subsequently notified.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp, Krishnapuram, 13th March 1897, R.C. No. 1718.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 327, dated 4th August 1897.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, with the recommendation that the 30th November next be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. *Claim 40.*—The field acquired in this claim should have been indicated on the sketch-map by the colouring given in the marginal reference.

3. The mistake in the numerical statement pointed out by the Collector in paragraph 4 of his covering endorsement has been corrected in this office.

4. The block lies in the Palnad taluk and covers an area of 3,568 acres as finally settled.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

- To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with draft notifications (1 original and 2 printed) and a sketch-map, to be returned.

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

Exd. A. F. Eccleston.

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G.O., Nos. 756, 756A, 4th September 1897.

SEPTEMBER.

Reserved Forest.

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Veldarti block, in the Palnad taluk, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Kistna District Gazettes.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 327, dated 4th August 1897:—

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, Masulipatam), dated Camp, Sydapuram, 12th December 1896, Ref. on Cur. No. 159:—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Veldurti reserve in the Palnad 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 at page 530 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 14th May 1895, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette, dated 5th October 1895. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 5th January 1896.

3. The block was inspected, perambulated, and enquired into, by me in February 1896, and forty claims were preferred for the following rights:—

- (i) Twenty-two claims to Government patta lands.
- (ii) Ten claims to rights of way.
- (iii) Four claims to right to use the water of certain kuntas and wells.
- (iv) Two claims to shrines.
- (v) One claim to a right of way to one of the shrines.
- (vi) One claim to right of way to the wells.

Of the twenty-two claims to Government patta fields, twenty-one claims were admitted, while the remaining one was rejected, the fields claimed lying outside the reserve; of those admitted, the patta fields in thirteen cases have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while that in one case has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve. Those in the remaining cases have been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894. Of the ten claims to rights of way involved in item No. (ii), seven claims to four rights of way were admitted and the remaining claims were rejected as unnecessary.

The claims to a right to the use of the water of certain kuntas and wells, to a right of way to one of the shrines and to a right of way to the wells involved in item Nos. (iii), (v) and (vi) were rejected as unnecessary. Of the two claims to shrines involved in item No. (iv), one claim was admitted and the shrine has been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while the remaining claim was rejected as the shrine lies outside the reserve.

4. With reference to the last clause of paragraph 3 of Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 118 of 1st March 1895, the western boundary of the reserve has been altered with the concurrence of the District Forest-officer, so as to exclude the patta and other lands fit for cultivation.

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

6. The following are submitted herewith:—

- (i) A signed copy of 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 Veldurti reserved forest, Palnad 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.	Prief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Chinna Guravappa of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 1254 and 1255 of Veldurti, measuring 5.27 and 5.57 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-4-0 and Rs. 6-9-0, respectively.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
2	J. Pitcha of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1257 of Veldurti, measuring 7.12 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
3	P. Guraviah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1258-1 of Veldurti, measuring 6.64 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-10-0.	Do.	Do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
4	D. Venkiah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey Nos. 1258-2 and 1265 of Veldurti, measuring 1.12 and 1.79 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0 and Rs. 1-6-0, respectively.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of fields by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
5	Chinna Kotareddi of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 1259 and 1262 of Veldurti, measuring 3 and 10.8 acres and assessed at Rs. 3 and Rs. 10-1-0, respectively.	Do.	Do.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
6	J. Nagiah of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1263 of Veldurti, measuring 6.9 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-1-0.	Do.	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
7						31st March 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7	Seebegadu of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1264 of Veldurti, measuring 4.13 acres and assessed at Rs. 4-2-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	Admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
8	N. Venkadu of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims right to survey No. 1266 of Veldurti, measuring 7-20 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-0-0	The land, claimant says, was purchased by him 6 years ago; he has no sale-deed and no transfer has been effected. The village accounts show the names of — (1) M. Subbiah. (2) Chensiah. (3) Sakala Palligadu. (4) Papudu. (5) Ramudu as pattadars.	Do.	Claim admitted in the name of (1) M. Subbiah, (2) Chensiah, (3) Sakala Palligadu, (4) Papudu and (5) Ramudu. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
9	E. Yellamanda of Veldurti.	Do.	Claims on behalf of his father Ramanujam patta right over survey No. 1267 of Veldurti, measuring 6.39 acres and assessed at Rs. 4-13-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	Do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
10	N. Kotegadu of Gullapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 403 and 404 of Gullapad, measuring 1-28 and 0.54 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-6-0 and As. 9, respectively.	The fields lie outside the reserve.	The District Forest-officer does not admit claim as the fields lie outside the reserve.	Claim rejected as unnecessary as the fields lie outside the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
11	G. Latehigadu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 402 of Gullapad, measuring 1-10 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
12	Thimmigadu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 398 and 401 of Gullapad, measuring 6-26 and 1-39 acres and assessed at Rs. 6-4-0 and Rs. 1-6-0, respectively.	Do.	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the fields by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
13	C. Ramudu of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 399 of Gullapad, measuring 1-44 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-7-0.	Do.	The District Forest-officer admits claim and requests exclusion of the field by an alteration of the reserve boundary.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
14	Y. Pitehia, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Mandadi.	This enters the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 4 of Veldurti and running north-east and crossing the path in claim No. 23-26 leaves the reserve into survey No. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about 1 mile 6 furlongs.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
15	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Veldurti.		Do.	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
16	Y. Pitehia, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Bodilavidu.	This enters the reserve north of the northernmost corner of No. 1259 of Veldurti, about 3 furlongs 7 chains south-east of the northernmost corner of No. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about 5 furlongs leaves the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 260 of Bodilavidu.	Objects as the temple is outside the reserve.	Claim rejected as unnecessary as the temple lies outside the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
17	Y. Narasiah, karnam of Gullapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community right to the temple of Anjeneyaswami together with a right of way to it.		Admits claim and requests the exclusion of the shrine by alteration of boundary.	Claim admitted. The shrine will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
18	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the villagers right to the use of the water for drinking purposes of 3 wells which are the chief sources of supply to the people and cattle of the village.		Objects to it as a right, but will be excluded with the shrine in claim No. 18-21.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the wells have been excluded with the shrine by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
19	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims right of way to the wells referred to above.			Claim rejected as unnecessary— <i>vide</i> order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
20	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.				Claim rejected as unnecessary— <i>vide</i> order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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14	Y. Pitehia, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Mandadi.	This enters the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 4 of Veldurti and running north-east and crossing the path in claim No. 23-26 leaves the reserve into survey No. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about 1 mile 6 furlongs.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
15	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Veldurti.		Do.	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
16	Y. Pitehia, karnam of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Bodilavidu.	This enters the reserve north of the northernmost corner of No. 1259 of Veldurti, about 3 furlongs 7 chains south-east of the northernmost corner of No. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about 5 furlongs leaves the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 260 of Bodilavidu.	Objects as the temple is outside the reserve.	Claim rejected as unnecessary as the temple lies outside the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
17	Y. Narasiah, karnam of Gullapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community right to the temple of Anjeneyaswami together with a right of way to it.		Admits claim and requests the exclusion of the shrine by alteration of boundary.	Claim admitted. The shrine will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
18	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the villagers right to the use of the water for drinking purposes of 3 wells which are the chief sources of supply to the people and cattle of the village.		Objects to it as a right, but will be excluded with the shrine in claim No. 18-21.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the wells have been excluded with the shrine by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
19	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims right of way to the wells referred to above.			Claim rejected as unnecessary— <i>vide</i> order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
20	Y. Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.				Claim rejected as unnecessary— <i>vide</i> order on previous claim. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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21	Y Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	10th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the Hindu community right of way to the shrine of Puntalagudi.			Claim rejected as unnecessary— <i>vide</i> order on claim No. 18-21. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 14th April 1896.
22	X Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Bodilavidu to Veldurti.			<i>Vide</i> order on claim No. 16-2. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
23	Y Venkatarayadu, karnam gumastah of Bodilavidu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Bodilavidu to Vuppalapad.	This enters the reserve about 6½ chains south of the south-west corner of No. 211 of Bodilavidu and running south-east and crossing the path in claim No. 14-1 leaves the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 187 of Vuppalapad, the length inside the reserve being about 8 miles.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a foot and cattle path to a width of 2 yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
24	Chinna Latchimi Narasu, karnam of Vuppalapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Vuppalapad to Bodilavidu.	The foot-path passes through the portion already excluded on account of patta fields.		Claim rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
25	Y. Narasiah, karnam of Gullapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Gullapad to Veldurti.	This enters the reserve about 4½ chains south-west of the northernmost corner of No. 51 of Vuppalapad and running in a northerly direction for about one mile leaves it into survey No. 185 of Mandadi.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of 4 yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
26	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Mandadi to Vuppalapad.			Claim rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th May 1896.
27	Chinna Latchimi Narasu, karnam of Vuppalapad.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Vuppalapad to Mandadi.		Objects as unnecessary ..	Rejected as unnecessary as the cart-track admitted in claim No. 25-33 will serve all purposes. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
28	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot and cattle path from Mandadi to Vuppalapad.			Claim rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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29	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to use the water of Puli Obulamma kunta situated on the path from Mandadi to Veldurti.	The karnam says that Puli Obulamma constructed this kunta about four years ago. There is now no water in the kunta and cattle could get water in the vagu outside the reserve. The Jabsidar reports that no permission was obtained to construct it.	Objects as kunta stands on Government land.	Claim rejected as in the absence of a right to free grazing there can be no right to the use of the water of the kunta which is on Government land. Further the kunta contains no water during the greater part of the year when water could be had in a vagu outside. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
30	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to the use of the water of Sanjivi Reddi kunta situated south of survey No. 581 of Mandadi.	Constructed, the karnam says, by a ryot who is dead without permission. There is a vagu outside which contains water.	Objects as it is on Government land.	In the absence of a right to free grazing the claim to the use of water inside the reserve is rejected. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
31	G. Narasimiah, karnam of Mandadi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots right to the use of the water of Pottah kunta situated south of survey No. 569 of Mandadi.	Karnam says this was constructed without permission by a ryot who is dead. There is a vagu outside which contains water.	Do.	In the absence of a right to free grazing the claim to the use of water inside the reserve is rejected. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 21st May 1896.
32	K. Venkatarayadu of Veldurti.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims patta right over survey No. 1268 of Veldurti measuring 11½ acres, assessed at Rs. 8-4-0.	Supported by village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer admits claim and wishes that the field may be retained as an enclosure.	Claim admitted. The field will be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve, free from reservation, with access by the foot and cattle path two yards wide entering the reserve about eleven chains south of the north-east corner of No. 1285 of Veldurti and running north-east for about seven furlongs to the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd July 1896.
33	Linganna of Vuppalapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims as guardian on behalf of her minor son Siddam Ayodiah patta right over survey No. 407 of Vuppalapad, measuring 4½ acres, assessed at Rs. 3-6-0.	Do. do.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th December 1896. Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 51-0-9. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th December 1896.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
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34 14	N. Thimmiah of Vuppapad.	18th Feb. 1896.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 1269 of Veldurti, measuring 10'23 acres, assessed at Rs. 7-11-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of 7-70 acres of survey No. 49 of Vuppapad assessed at Rs. 7-11-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, E. C. No. 7040-Ver.
35 13	P. Bahiah of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims patta right over survey No. 1270 of Veldurti, measuring 5-78 acres, assessed at Rs. 7-11-0.	Do.	Do.	9th December 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 378 of Vuppapad, measuring 6-84 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-2-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.
36 28	Gurappa, Thimmiah and Yellamanda of Vuppapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claim joint patta right over survey No. 405 of Vuppapad, measuring 7-4 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	Do.	Do.	9th December 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 254-3 of Veldurti, measuring 7-50 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-10-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.
37 29	K. Kasigadu of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims right over survey No. 403 of Vuppapad, measuring 7-4 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-5-0.	The village accounts show one N. Kotamma as the pattadar. Claimant says he purchased it from her and Kotamma admits the sale.	Do.	9th December 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. Claim admitted in the name of K. Kasigadu. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 254-3 of Veldurti, measuring 7-50 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-10-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Veldurti 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
38 30	Lathmiah of Vuppapad.	20th Feb. 1896.	Claims patta right over survey No. 409 of Vuppapad, measuring 6-30 acres, assessed at Rs. 4-12-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests acquisition of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 264 of Veldurti, measuring 6-0 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-12-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.
39 31	M. Pitchavadu of Vuppapad.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 406 of Vuppapad, measuring 11-43 acres, assessed at Rs. 8-10-0.	Do.	Do.	9th December 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 391 of Bodilavidi, measuring 1-50 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-2-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.
40 16	P. Andiyra of Vuppapad.	19th Feb. 1896.	Claims right over survey No. 709 of Bodilavidi, measuring 1-50 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	The village accounts show that K. Kotiah is the pattadar and claimant, his nephew, has been in possession for 15 years.	Do.	9th December 1896. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. Claim admitted in the name of K. Kotiah. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. <i>Note.</i> —Acquired by the grant in exchange of survey No. 391 of Bodilavidi, measuring 1-50 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-2-0; sanctioned by the Collector in his proceedings, dated 6th November 1896, Ref. No. 7040-Ver.
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ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the block.	Claims to patta and inam lands.						Claims to rights of way.			Claims to shrines or temples and rights of way to them.		
	Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.		Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Veldurti reserve	22	ACS. 141.25	21	ACS. 139.43	1	ACS. 1.82	10	7	3	3	1	2

Name and number of the block.	Claims to the use of water of wells, &c.			Claim to right of way to wells.			Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
Veldurti reserve	4	..	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	40	28	12

* Of this the fields in twelve claims were excluded by an alteration of the reserve boundary; those in eight cases measuring 53.83 acres were acquired, while that in one case measuring 11.1 acres has been retained as an enclosure free from reservation.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. ATKINSON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated 2nd March 1897, Dis. No. 2377.

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. The area is reduced by 1,002 acres, making it 3,568 acres.

4. Figure 6 entered as number of admitted claims under public rights of way in the numerical statement since received is a mistake for 7.

ENCLOSURE.

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
Palnad taluk. 1,066	Occupied. 289,565 Unoccupied .. 380,099	ACS. * 159,005	ACS. 21,443	Veldurti reserve. 3,568	Low scrub forest with palmyras.	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, Dis. No. 2377, dated 2nd March 1897.

* Includes 592 acres subsequently notified.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp, Krishnapuram, 13th March 1897, R.C. No. 1718.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 327, dated 4th August 1897.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, with the recommendation that the 30th November next be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. Claim 40.—The field acquired in this claim should have been indicated on the sketch-map by the colouring given in the marginal reference.

3. The mistake in the numerical statement pointed out by the Collector in paragraph 4 of his covering endorsement has been corrected in this office.

4. The block lies in the Palnad taluk and covers an area of 3,568 acres as finally settled.

(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, to be returned.

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

ORDER—No. 756, Revenue, dated 4th September 1897.

Forest No. 165.

The draft notification will be published in the *Fort St. George and Kistna District Gazettes*, the 30th November 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. 756A.

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 November 1897, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted "reserved forests."

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna.	Palnad ..	Veldurti reserve.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the south-west corner of survey No. 270 of Bodilavidu, the southern surveyed limits of that village up to the south-east corner of survey No. 215; then a straight line south-east to a cairn about two chains south of the well which lies east of the shrine of Parentalagudi; then a straight line due north to the south-west corner of survey No. 211; then the surveyed limits of Bodilavidu, Mandadi and Potlavid villages to the north-west corner of sub-survey No. 1304-1 of the last-named village.</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Then the west sides of sub-survey Nos. 1304-1 and 1304-2 to the south-west corner of the latter number.</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Then the north sides of survey Nos. 1176, 1175, 1174 and 1173 (all of Potlavid) and the northern surveyed limits of Vuppalapad and Veldurti villages up to the north-west corner of survey No. 784 of the last village.</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Then a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 1266 of Veldurti; then a straight line to the starting point touching the north-east side of survey No. 398 of Gullapad.</p>

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

(i) *The foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Bodilavidu to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve north of the northernmost corner of survey No. 1259 of Veldurti about three furlongs seven chains south-east of the northernmost corner of survey No. 398 of Gullapad and running north for about five furlongs leaves the reserve at the south-east corner of survey No. 260 of Bodilavidu.

(ii) *The foot and cattle path from Bodilavidu to Vuppalapad to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve about six and-a-half chains south of the south-west corner of survey No. 211 of Bodilavidu and running south-east and crossing the foot and cattle path No. (iii) *infra*, leaves the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 187 of Vuppalapad, the length inside the reserve being about three miles.

(iii) *The foot and cattle path from Veldurti to Mandadi to a width of two yards.*—This enters the reserve at the north-west corner of survey No. 4 of Veldurti and running north-east and crossing the foot and cattle path No. (ii) *supra* leaves the reserve into survey No. 162 of Mandadi, the length inside the reserve being about one mile and six furlongs.

(iv) *The cart-track from Vuppalapad to Mandadi to a width of four yards.*—This enters the reserve about four and a half chains south-west of the northernmost corner of survey No. 54 of Vuppalapad and running in a northerly direction for about one mile leaves it into survey No. 185 of Mandadi.

II. The following has been ordered to be demarcated out and retained as an enclosure within the reserve free from reservation :—

Survey No. 1268 of Veldurti measuring 11.1 acres, with access by the foot and cattle path two yards wide entering the reserve about eleven chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 1266 of Veldurti and running north-east for about seven furlongs to the field.

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