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G.O., No. 859

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Disposing petition, from Ramakrishna Sastri
and other Mirasidars, Kunitalay Taluk,
Trichinopoly Dt., under Para 2 of C. Petition
Rules.

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SUBJECT.

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To

His Most Gracious

Excellency the

Governor-in-Council

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

MADRAS.

The most humble appeal of Ramakrishna Sastri and others, the undersigned Mirasidars of Mayanur village, Kulitalai Taluk, Trichinopoly District.

Most Respectfully Sheweth,

1. Mayanur village of the Kulitalai Taluk is the very last village under the irrigation of the Amravathi river which does not bring water with certainty during the year. It is a very irregular and uncertain river. The said river does not irrigate any village beyond the said village of Mayanur.

2. There are about 373 acres of Nanjah land under the irrigation of the said river. There is not one single year in which all the Nanjah lands of this village were cultivated successfully. Some of them were allowed to lie waste on account of scarcity of water in the river. The lands that were cultivated failed to produce crops eventually. The plants wither away in the various stages of cultivation from the time of sowing, till the time of harvesting. சாகுபடியான நில நிலங்களும் முளைசாவியும், பயிர் சாவியும், ஈத்துச்சாவியும், மணி பிடிசாவியுமாய் காய்ந்து போய்விடுகிறது.

3. During some years, remissions were made by the benign Government. At other times, the suffering Mirasidars were unfortunate enough. The authorities

were not pleased to recommend any remission but collected the tirwa notwithstanding the miserable failure of crops in the various stages of cultivation, year after year.

4. The result is the Mirasdars could not even get what was invested on the cultivation. They were compelled to pay up the Circar Kist for no profit whatever. They gradually got poor and were placed under the unavoidable necessity of borrowing. The lands had to be mortgaged for debts. Mirasdars had no means of discharging them and the lands had in consequence to be brought to sale for decrees of Courts.

5. All those Mirasdars who held lands and who were Pattadars in the said village of Mayanur during the former settlement and their descendants are no longer the Pattadars of the said village during the present settlement. Most of them have quitted the village. Their place is now occupied by persons who lent them money who sued against them for the recovery of the loans advanced and became purchasers of their lands at court sales. The failure of crops year after year is the sole cause of the above miseries. The temples are almost closed for failure of crops and the Brahman street is no longer in existence there. Most of the inhabitants have left the village and have gone to settle at Trichinopoly and other places for earning their bread.

6. For these and other reasons several petitions were addressed to the then Deputy Commissioner Mr. Anthinarayana Pantaloo Garu, that terwa should not at the present settlement, be raised in the said Village of Mayanur which is, as it has been already observed, the very last village under the irrigation of the Amravati river which is very irregular and uncertain in its floods. The said officer even after inspecting the said village unfortunately for the Mirasdars raised the tirwa. The Mirasdars had then to appeal to the Board of Revenue. Thereupon, Mr. Winterbotham was pleased to inspect the said village. The appeal petition was then referred to the present Deputy Commissioner Mr. Narasimmalu Naidu who also inspected the said village but was pleased only to reduce the tirwa to a very small extent viz. Rs. 140. Extent of Nanjah at the former settlement was 373 acres; at the present settlement 361 acres Tirwa during the former settlement was Rs. 1055 and odd; at the present settlement Rs 1733 and odd. It would appear from the above figures, that the reduction made, is a very small sum considering the increased Bariz of the village. The said officer Mr. Narasimmaloo Naidoo who actually perceived our difficulties ought to have struck out the whole of the increased tirwa. The said village of Mayanur appears to have been treated in the same level as the villages of Ranganadapuram Balarajapuram and Manavasi, which though under the irrigation of the same river of the Amravati, are far above the said village of Mayanur. The fact that the

said village of Mayanur is the very last village under the irrigation of the Amravati seems to have been lost sight of Manavasi channel has its செற்பு (sluice) two furlongs ahead of the செற்பு (sluice of Mayanur village channel. To the west of Manavasi செற்பு is the செற்பு of the Kattalai village channel. During the period of scarcity of water, the said Amravati river is fully blocked up by the above mentioned channel owners. Viz, Manavasi and Kattalai and hardly any water escapes to the said Mayanur village channel. The said Mayanur channel becomes dried up even when the Amravati river is half or one fourth full of water.

In these circumstances petitioners respectfully pray that Your Gracious Excellency may be pleased, after consultation with the local authorities and after perusal of all the records & cultivation accounts etc., to reduce the increased tirwa at the present settlement. For this act of favour, the petitioners shall as in duty bound ever pray.

We humbly beg to remain,

Most Gracious Excellency,

Your Excellency's most

Obedient and loyal Subjects.

S. P. Ramakrishnasastri
J. Gurusamy Iyer

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