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Dated 19th February

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Virumaudampalayam block, in the Erode Taluk, as a ———, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Coimbatore District Gazettes.

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The Secretary
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Forest No. 16

The draft notification will be published in the Port St George and Coimbatore District gazettes, the 31st May 1898 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

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Note. The initial reservation of K.C. block was approved in G.O 858 D 4.12.94.

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SUBJECT:
Submg: for approval
and publication in the
Fort St. George Gazette draft
notifica: under Sec: 16 of the
Madras Forest Act for the
Constitution of the Viru-
mandam palayam block
in the Erode Taluk, Coimbatore
Dt: as a reserved forest.

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DRAFT-FINAL 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 area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule annexed to this notification shall be constituted a reserved forest.

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Name of villages.	Number of block.	Name of block.	Boundaries.
Coinbatore.	Erode ..	Velliyampathi, Vittalampathi and Virumandampalayam.	31	Virumandampalayam.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 9 of Perumanallur village (Palladam taluk) eastwards the south side of survey No. 8 of the same village till it meets the western boundary of survey No. 172 of Vittalampathi; thence the west, south and east sides of the said number, the south and east sides of survey No. 173, and the south sides of survey Nos. 175 and 176 to the south-east corner of the last; thence south-south-westwards along the west side of survey No. 107 to a cairn in it due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102; thence a straight line to the said corner; thence the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; thence the south sides of survey Nos. 101, 100, 99 and 94 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Vittalampathi village); thence east-south-eastwards the west side of survey No. 177, Velliyampathi to the north-east corner of survey No. 95 of Vittalampathi; thence a straight line to its south-east corner; thence southwards the west side of survey No. 77 to its south-west corner; thence a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 79 of Velliyampathi; thence the west sides of that number and No. 95 and the west and the south sides of survey No. 94 to the south-east corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the east side of survey No. 108 where it turns eastwards for the first time from the south; thence eastwards that side and the south side of survey No. 109 to its south-east corner; thence northwards the east side of the said number to the south-west corner of survey No. 113; thence the south sides of survey Nos. 113 and 121 and the west and south sides of survey No. 124 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Velliyampathi); thence southwards the west side of survey No. 211 of Virumandampalayam to a cairn in it due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 240 of the same village; thence a straight line to the said corner; thence the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; thence the south and east sides of survey No. 18 of Velliyampathi, the south sides of survey Nos. 17 and 7 to the south-east corner of the last (all of the said village); thence the west sides of survey Nos. 236 and 249 of Virumandampalayam, the west, south and east sides of survey No. 250, the south side of survey No. 251, the west and south sides of survey No. 209 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Virumandampalayam).</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Thence south-south-eastwards, the east side of survey No. 208 (inside field) and the west side of survey No. 207 to the north-east corner of survey No. 261 (all of Virumandampalayam).</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Thence westwards the north sides of survey Nos. 261, 275 and 276 of Virumandampalayam to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 280; thence its north side, the east side of survey No. 295, the east and north sides of survey No. 296, the north sides of survey Nos. 317, 314, 309, 302 and 303, the east and north sides of survey Nos. 371, 373 and 404 to the north-west corner of the last; thence the north and west sides of survey No. 402 to the north-east corner of survey No. 417; thence the north sides of survey Nos. 417, 416, 415, 428 and 427 to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the west side of survey No. 435, three and a half chains north of the north-east corner of survey No. 440; thence southwards the west side of survey No. 435 to the said corner; thence the north side of survey No. 440, the north and west sides of survey No. 441 (all of Virumandampalayam), the north side of survey No. 125 of Vittalampathi, the east and north sides of survey No. 123, the east sides of survey Nos. 118, 116 and 115, the east and north sides of survey No. 114 to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the north-east corner of survey No. 62 of Perumanallur; thence a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 154 excluding the burning ground near the south-east corner of the said field and thence a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 158 (all of Vittalampathi).</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Thence northwards the east side of survey No. 30 of Perumanallur, and the east and north sides of survey No. 160 (all of Vittalampathi) to the northernmost point of the latter; thence the boundary of the Perumanallur village to the starting point.</p>

REMARKS A.—The following rights of way are allowed within the block:—

- (1) Cart-track from Perumanallur to Vittalampathi six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 160, and running north-eastwards for about three and three-fourths furlongs through survey Nos. 161, 164 and 107 leaves the block at a point due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102 (all of Vittalampathi).
- (2) Cart-track from Velliyampathi to Perumanallur six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 79 and running southwards for about three and a half furlongs through survey Nos. 78, 80, 91 and 92 joins cart-track A, *infra* about five chains north of the south-east corner of the last-mentioned field (all of Velliyampathi).
- (3) Cart-track from Sadayampattu six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 427 and running generally north-northwestwards for about three and a half furlongs through survey Nos. 435 and 447 (all of Virumandampalayam) and survey No. 103 of Velliyampathi leaves the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 94 of the same village.
- (4) Itteri (path) from Kunnathur to Tiruppur six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 404 and running northwards for about sixteen and a half chains through survey Nos. 410 and 241 leaves the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 240 (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (5) Cart-track six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 208 of Virumandampalayam and running westwards through the block leaves it on the east side of survey No. 160 of Vittalampathi about three chains south of its north-east corner. It again enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 27 of Perumanallur and running north-westwards through survey Nos. 163, 164 and 165 of Vittalampathi leaves on the east side of survey No. 10 of Perumanallur about two and a half chains south of its north-east corner. Its length within the block is about three and a half miles.
- (6) Cart-track from Periyakarukupalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 280 and running northwards for about four and one-fourth furlongs through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 258 and 255 and through survey No. 254 leaves the block at the north-east corner of the last (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (7) Cart-track from Sinnakarukupalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 314 and running eastwards for about thirteen chains along the south sides of survey Nos. 297 and 257 and through survey No. 258, joins path A, *supra* in survey No. 258 about a chain north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 257 (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (8) Cart-track from Ammapalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 371 and running northwards along the west side of survey Nos. 372, 407 and 245 (all of Virumandampalayam) joins item A, *supra* near the south-west corner of the last-mentioned field. Its length within the block is about two furlongs.
- (9) Cart-track from Porasapalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block near the south-east corner of survey No. 151 and running through it and survey Nos. 153 and 113 joins path item A, *supra* near the south-east corner of survey No. 111 (all of Vittalampathi). Its length within the block is about twelve chains.

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B. The undermentioned temple has been excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure within the block with access as noted under it:—
Muniappankoil covering a space of about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre (44×55) yards situated in survey No. 113 (near the south-west corner of survey No. 88) of Vittalampathi. To be approached by paths items A₂ and A₃ *supra* and also by the foot-path forming access to survey No. 105 in D₁.

C. The following rights are admitted within the block:—
(1) Right of Virumandampalayam people and their neighbouring villages and the people of Velliampathi to water their cattle in the reservoir in survey No. 93 of Velliampathi. Right of washermen of the surrounding villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by items A₂ and A₃ and by a path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from the latter at a point due north of the pond and running southwards to it.

(2) Right of Virumandampalayam people and their neighbouring villages to water their cattle in the reservoir on the rock on the northern portion of survey No. 254 of Virumandampalayam. Right of washermen of the neighbouring villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by item A₃ and a path two yards wide open for people and cattle, branching from it at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

D. The undermentioned patta lands have been excluded from reservation and left as enclosures within the block with access as noted against them:—

Village.	Survey number.	Extent.	Access.
1. Vittalampathi	105	13.3	A path two yards wide open for people and cattle. It enters the block about four and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 154 of Vittalampathi and runs through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109 of the same village to the south side of the enclosure.
2. Velliampathi	85	10.28	By the path allowed to item D ₁ <i>infra</i> as far as the middle portion of survey No. 86; and thence by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running westwards to the enclosure.
3. Velliampathi	83	6.26	By path item A ₃ and in continuation of it by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle through survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Velliampathi.
4. Virumandampalayam	300	8.31	By right of way item A ₃ .
5. Velliampathi	89	6.54	By path item A ₃ till it meets path A ₂ and then eastwards by the latter path.
6. Velliampathi	88	6.35	By the path allowed to item No. D ₁ .

(Signed) F. V. P. GOMPERTZ,
Forest Sett.-officer.



Draft final notification

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare under the provision of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act V of 1882 that from the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the Schedule annexed to this notification shall be constituted a reserved forest.

Schedule

District	Taluk	Name of villages	No. of block	Name of block.
Coinjatore.	Erode	Velliampathi Vittalampathi Virumandampalayam	31	Virumandampalayam

North... Starting from the northeast corner of survey No. 9 of Porumavallur village (part of Taluk) eastwards the south side of survey No. 8 of the same village till it meets the west boundary of survey No. 22 of Vittalampathi. Thence to west, south, and east sides of the said muni-

the south and east sides of survey no: 173,
 and the south sides of survey nos 175 and 176
 to the southeast corner of the last; thence
 south southwards along the west side of
 survey no: 107 to a cairn in it due west of
 the southwest corner of survey no: 102; thence
 a straight line to the said corner; thence
 the south and east sides of that numbered to the southern ^{its north}
~~most point on the southern side of survey no 101;~~ ^{east corner;}
 thence the south sides of survey nos 101, 100, 99,
 and 94 to the southeast corner of the last & all
 of Vittalampathi village; thence east south-
 eastwards, the west side of survey no: 77 of Vittalampathi
 to the northeast corner of survey no: 95; thence
 a straight line to its southeast corner; thence southwards
 the west side of survey no: 77 to its southwest corner;
 thence a straight line to the northwest corner
 of survey no: 77 ^{of Vittalampathi}; thence the west sides of that
 numbered and no: 95 and the west and the
 south sides of survey no: 94 to the southeast corner
 of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on
 the east side of survey no: 108 where it turns eastwards
 for the first time from the south; thence eastwards
 that side and the south side of survey no: 109 to its
 southeast corner; thence northwards, the east side
 of the said no: to the
 northeast corner of survey no: 113; thence the south
 sides of survey nos 113 and 121 and the west and south
 sides of survey no: 124 to the southeast corner of the
 last, all of Vittalampathi; thence southwards the west
 side of survey no: 241 of Virumandampalayam to a cairn
 due west of the southwest corner of survey no:

240 of the same village; thence a straight line
 to the said corner; thence the south and east
 sides of that numbered to its northeast corner; thence
 the south and east sides of S. no: 18 of Vittalampathi;
 the south sides of S. nos 17 and 7 to the southeast corner
 of the last, all of the said village; thence the west
 sides of S. nos. 236 and 249 of Virumandampalayam,
 the west south and east sides of S. no: 250, the south
 side of S. no: 251, the west and south sides of S. no: 209
 to the southeast corner of the last all of Virumandam-
 palayam.

East. Thence south southeastwards, the east
 side of S. no: 208 (inside field) and the west side
 of S. no: 207 to the northeast corner of S. no: 261
 all of Virumandampalayam.

South. Thence westwards the north sides of S.
 nos 261, 275 and 276 of Virumandampalayam
 to the northwest corner of the last; thence a
 straight line to the northeast corner of S. no:
 280; thence its north side, the east side of
 S. no: 295, the east and north sides of S. no: 296
 the north sides of S. nos: 317, 314, 309, 302 and
 303, the east and north sides of S. nos 377 ³⁷¹ and
 404 to the northwest corner of the last; thence
 the north and west sides of S. no: 402 to the same
 east corner of S. no: 417; thence the north sides of
 no: 417, 416, 418, 428 and 427 to the northwest
 corner of the last; thence a straight line to a
 cairn on the west side of S. no: 435, 312

north of the northeast corner of Survey No. 440; thence southwards the west side of Survey No. 435 to the said corner; thence the north side of S. No. 440, the north and west sides of S. No. 441, all of Virumandampalayam; the north side of S. No. 125 of Vittalampathi, the east and north sides of S. No. 123; the east sides of S. Nos. 118, 116, and 115, the east and north sides of S. No. 114 to the northwest corner of the tract; thence a straight line to a ruin on the northeast corner of S. No. 62 of Perumanallur; thence a straight line to the southwest corner ^{and} of S. No. 164, ^{excluding the burning ground near the southeast corner of the field} and thence a straight line to the southwest corner of S. No. 158, all of Vittalampathi.

West. Thence northwards the east side of S. No. 30 of Perumanallur and the east and north sides of S. No. 160 all of Vittalampathi to the northernmost point of the latter; thence the boundary of the Perumanallur village to the starting point.

Remarks

A. The following rights of way are allowed within the block.

- (1) Cart track from Perumanallur to Vittalampathi 6 yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northeast corner of S. No. 160 and running north-eastwards for about $3\frac{3}{4}$ furlongs through S. Nos. 161, 164 and 167 leaves the block at the southeast corner of a point due west of the S.W. corner.

- of S. No. ¹⁰² 476 all of Vittalampathi.
- (2) Cart track from Vellampathi to Perumanallur 6 yards wide and open for people, cattle, and carts. It enters the block at the northwest corner of S. No. 79 and running southwards for about $3\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs through S. Nos. 78, 80, 91, and 92 joins cart track A₅ infra about 5 chains north of the southeast corner of the last mentioned field all of Vellampathi.
- (3) Cart track from Sadayampathi 6 yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northwest corner of S. No. 427 and running generally north-northwestwards for about $3\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs through Survey Nos. 435 and 447 all of Virumandampalayam and Survey No. 108 of Vellampathi leaves the block at the southeast corner of Survey No. 94 of the same village.
- (4) Ileri (path) from Annattur to Trippur 6 yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northwest corner of S. No. 404 and running northwards for about $16\frac{1}{2}$ chains through S. Nos. 410 and 241 leaves the block at the southwest corner of Survey No. 240 all of Virumandampalayam.
- (5) Cart track 6 yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the southeast corner of Survey No. 208 of Virumandampalayam and running westwards through the block leaves it on the east side of Survey No. 160 of Vittalampathi about

3 chains south of its northeast corner. It again enters the block at the northeast corner of S. No: 27 of Perumanallur and running northwards through S. Nos. 163, 164 and 165 of Vittalampatti leaves on the east side of S. No: 10 of Perumanallur about $2\frac{1}{2}$ chains south of its northeast corner. Its length within the block is about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

(6) Cart track from Periyakadukupalayam 6 yards wide and open for people cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northeast corner of S. No: 280 and running northwards for about $4\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs through S. No: 278 and along the west side of S. Nos. 258 and 256 and through S. No: 254 leaves the block at the northeast corner of the last, all of Virumandampalayam.

(7) Cart track from Sirimakadukupalayam 6 yards wide and open for people cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northeast corner of Survey No: 314 and running eastwards for about 13 chains along the south side of S. Nos. 297 and 294 and through S. No: 258, all of Virumandampalayam joins path ^{in S. No: 58} _{S. No: 57} supra, about a chain northeast of the southeast corner of the last mentioned field.

Cart track from Annampalayam 6 yards wide and open for people cattle and carts. It enters the block at the northwest corner of S. No: 571 and running northwards for about 2 furlongs along the west sides of S. Nos. 22, 407, and 245, all of Virumandampalayam joins item A₅ supra near the

southwest corner of the last mentioned field. Its length within the block is about 2 furlongs.

(9) Cart track from Annampalayam 6 yards wide and open for people cattle and carts. It enters the block ^{near} the south east corner of S. No: 154 and running through it and S. Nos. 153 and 113 joins path item A₅ supra near the southeast corner of S. No: 111, all of Vittalampatti. Its length within the block is about 12 chains.

B. The undermentioned temple has been excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure within the block with access as noted under it:—

Muniappanboil covering a space of about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre (44 x 55 yards) situated in S. No: 113 (near the southwest corner of S. No: 88) ¹⁷ of Vittalampatti. To be approached by path item A₉ and A₅ supra - taken by the S. No: 105 in S. No: 1.

C. The burning ground 5 cents in extent situated in S. No: 154 of Vittalampatti, near its southeast corner is excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure within the block with access by a path 2 yards wide open for people and cattle running to it from the southeast corner of the said S. No: 154 along its south side.

C. D. The following rights are admitted within the block.

1. Right of Virumandampalayam of

and their neighbouring villages and the people of Vellampatti to water their cattle in the reservoir. in Survey No: 93 of Vellampatti. Right of washerman of the surrounding villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by Items A2 and A5 and by a path 3 yards wide open for people and cattle branching from the latter at a point due north of the pond and running southwards to it.

2. Right of Virumandampalayam people and their neighbouring villages to water their cattle in the reservoir on the rock on the northern portion of S. No. 254 of Virumandampalayam. Right of washermen of the neighbouring villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by Item A6 and a path 2 yards wide open for people and cattle, branching from it at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

The undermentioned putta lands have been excluded from reservations and left as enclosures within the block with access as noted against them.

Village	S. No.	Extent acres.	access
Vellampatti	105	13.3	a path 2 yards wide open for people and cattle. It enters the block about 4 1/2 chains west of the Southeast Corner of S. No. 154 of Vellampatti and runs through S. Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109.

Village	S. No.	Extent acres.	access
2 Vellampatti	85	10.28	By the path allowed to item 33 in p. 2 as far as the middle portion of S. No. 86 and thence by a path 2 yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running westwards to the enclosure of the same village to the south side of the enclosure.
3 Do.	83	6.26	By path item A9 and in continuation of it by a path 2 yards wide open for people and cattle through S. No. 113 of Vellampatti and S. Nos 87 and 86 of Vellampatti.
4 Virumandampalayam.	300	8.31	By right of way item A5
5 Vellampatti	89	6.54	By path item A9 till it meets path A5 and then continues by the latter path.
6 Do.	88	6.35	By the path allowed to item No. 33

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For Settlement Officer

R. S. S.

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Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

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JANUARY.

Submitting to Government, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, draft notification under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Viru-mandampalayam block in the Erode taluk, Coimbatore district, as a reserved forest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE).

READ—the following letter from HERBERT BRADLEY, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras, (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated Coimbatore, 2nd September 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1588-For. :—

I have the honour to forward herewith the settlement papers of the Virumandampalayam block, Erode taluk, as per margin, and request that you will kindly order the publication of the notification under section 16 of the Forest Act V of 1882 in the Fort St. George and District Gazettes, if approved by the Board and Government.

1. Forest Settlement-officer's letter, Ref. on Cur. No. 1063, dated 25th June 1897.
2. Draft notification.
3. Sketch-map.
4. Statement of area and condition.
5. B. Register.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From F. V. P. GOMPERTZ, Esq., Forest Settlement-officer, Trichinopoly, &c., districts, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Camp, Lithodu, 25th June 1897, Ref. on No. 1063.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the Virumandampalayam forest block, Erode taluk, after complying with the provisions of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act V of 1882.

2. The block comprises portions of Virumandampalayam, Velliyampathi and Vittalampathi villages.

3. The notification under section 4 appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 11th December 1894, and the proclamation under section 6 was issued on 11th idem by M.R.Ity. C. Raju Sastriar Avargal fixing 1st May 1895, as the latest date for preference of claims. The settlement of the block was begun by him, but completed by me after the transfer of it to my name was notified in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of 25th ultimo. The last claim was disposed of on 8th January 1897 and the appeal time expired on 9th March 1897, without any appeal being preferred. The exclusions made, with the consent of the District Forest-officer, in view to throw out private rights, and straighten the boundary are indicated in the sketch by green lines.

4. Thirty-six claims were preferred. They were for patta and waste lands, for two temples, three burning grounds and a burial-ground, and fourteen rights of way and for right to the use of the water of three tanks, and to the usufruct of certain palmyra trees. The patta lands, with the exception of six fields left as enclosures, were either thrown out by revision of boundary or acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. One temple and one burning-ground were left as enclosures and the remaining temples, burning and burial grounds, some of the waste lands, a tank and five rights of way were thrown out by revision of boundary. The claims to the remaining rights of way were allowed. The claims to certain waste lands and for the right to the usufruct of trees were dismissed, not being based on any right.

5. I beg that three months' time may be allowed for promulgation of the final notification under section 16 from the probable date of its appearance in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

ENCLOSURE No. 2. B. REGISTER of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam reserved forest block No. 31, Erode taluk, Coimbatore 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.
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3	Marappa goundan residing at Perakapalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 9.62 acres in survey No. 181 of Virumandampalayam included in the proposed reserved forest.	Village accounts	The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
4	Sinnakarupramoopan residing at Thilakutpalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 8.12 acres in survey No. 186 of Virumandampalayam included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
8	Ardanani goundan residing at Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 6.34 acres in survey No. 92 of Vittalampathi included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
13	Karupramoopan residing at Velliyampathi.	28th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta lands 5.76 and 4.45 acres in survey Nos. 94 and 92, respectively, of Vittalampathi included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
15	Nallamuthu goundan residing at Orta Velangadu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 5.20 acres in survey No. 186 of Virumandampalayam included in the reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
17	Patta goundan and others of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Pray that 6.34 and 2.53 acres in survey Nos. 92 and 87, respectively, held on patta, and name lands adjoining them, which they enjoy may not be taken up for the forest.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.
20	Subramania Iyer, kar-tam of Vittalampathi.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that burning-ground in survey No. 102 of Vittalampathi on the west side of the pond in it may be excluded from reservation.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Settlement-officer, 2nd April 1895.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam 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 VIII.	Subramaniya Iyer, karnam of Vitthalampathi.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that the cattle of the village may be allowed to drink water in the pond in survey No. 102 of Vitthalampathi.		The District Forest-officer does not object.	The land referred to lies outside the revised boundary of the forest. No order is therefore necessary on the claim preferred. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
5 IX.	Karuppayi, mother of Rengamooapan, patakar No. 84 of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims her son's patta land 8-31 acres in survey No. 360 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take in exchange survey Nos. 370 and 369.	Village accounts	The District Forest-officer admits the claim and proposes to have the land as an enclosure, the exchange having fallen through.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 6th April 1895.
16 † X.	Rengamooapan residing at Sodayampattu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	28th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 6-24 acres in survey No. 431 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take exchange survey Nos. 418 and 417.	Do.	The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 6th April 1895.
30 XI.	Rengamooapan, son of Velmainmooapan, residing at Sodayampattu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	9th Mar. 1895.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam alleged to have been held by him on patta but since removed from the patta by the revenue authorities:— Survey number. Trees. 430 .. 16 434 .. 84 429 .. 25 444 .. 4 445 .. 9 432 .. 2 and leaf-bearing 1.			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
29 XII.	Sengaruppmooapan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 372 .. 16 371 .. 14			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
23 XIII.	Rengamooapan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 369 .. 47 370 .. 11			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.

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.
25 XIV.	Shanara Karuppmooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 397 .. 19 312 .. 20 313 .. 27			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
26 XV.	Periyamooapan, son of Muthamooapan, residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 311 .. 46 312 .. 15			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
27 XVI.	Periyakaruppmooapan and others residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 208 .. 6 279 .. 27 256 .. 20 257 .. 7			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
28 XVII.	Palnimoopan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 238 .. 1 239 .. 1 405 .. 17 406 .. 51 408 .. 9 409 .. 7 407 .. 20 245 .. 2 243 .. 4			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th April 1895.
22 XVIII.	Karuppmooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 261 .. 29 262 .. 20 280 .. 20 282 .. 3			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.
24 XIX.	Periyamooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 255 .. 34 254 .. 4			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.

• Claim IX.—The land is excluded and left as an enclosure marked D-4 in the sketch with access by path A₄. † Claim X.—The land has been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam 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	Pattaya goundan residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following access may be allowed:— (1) Access to the temple item No. 2 in claim No. 6 by the path running from the west side of field No. 152 along the stream in it. (2) Access to the burning-ground, item No. 3, by the path along the west sides of survey Nos. 152 and 153 and the south side of survey No. 154, all of Vittalampathi.		The District Forest-officer does not object.	Item No. 1 lies in the tract excluded from the forest by revision of boundary. Item No. 2 is admitted so far as it runs along the south side of survey No. 154. The remainder lies in the excluded portion. It will be two yards wide and open for people and cattle. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.
XXI.	Pattaya goundan residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following may be excluded from reservation:— (1) Patta lands 3-53 acres in survey No. 87 in Vittalampathi. (2) The temple called Karupparayan kail in the field (Kottakandi), survey No. 152. It has a building about ten cubits square. A space of 1 acre is required in front of it for people to stand and worship and cook their offerings. (3) A burning-ground to a space of 5 cents in survey No. 154 about its south-east corner. [Survey numbers are all of Vittalampathi.]		The District Forest-officer does not object.	Items Nos. 1 and 2 lie outside the revised boundary. The claim to item No. 3 is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act, and the burning-ground will be excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure with access by the path allowed in claim No. 7. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.
18	Sakkaraigoundan, moni-gar of Virumandampalayam.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that the following rights may be allowed:— (1) The lteri in survey No. 207 of Virumandampalayam. (2) † Cart track which branches from item No. 1 at the north-east corner of survey No. 159 of Vittalampathi. It again enters on the south side of survey No. 113 and running through survey Nos. 163, 164 and 165, all of Vittalampathi leaves on the west side of the last. (3) Cart-track from Periyakarukupalayam. It runs northwards through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 287 and 267, all of Virumandampalayam. It enters the block on the south side of survey No. 297, and running along the south sides of survey Nos. 287 and 267, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item No. 3. (4) Cart-track from Ammapalayam. It enters the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 370, and running along the west sides of survey Nos. 370, 371, 372, 407 and 245, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item No. 1. (5) Cart-track from Sodayampatti. It enters the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 372 of the same village. (6) Cart-track from Porasapalayam. It runs through lteri survey No. 435 and through No. 447, both of Virumandampalayam, and joins lteri survey No. 108 of Vittalampathi. (Part of survey No. 108 is included in the reserve.) (7) Cart-track from Porasapalayam. It runs through survey Nos. 164 and 113 of Vittalampathi joins item No. 2. (It enters on the south side of survey No. 164.) (8) Cart-track from Perumanallur to Vittalampathi (survey Nos. 161 and 107). (9) Right to water their and the neighbouring village cattle in the reservoir in survey No. 93 of Vittalampathi and 254 of Virumandampalayam (on the rock on the north side of the latter), and right of the washermen of the surrounding villages to wash clothes in them. (10) Foot-path running along the south side of survey No. 262 of Virumandampalayam from Periyakarukupalayam to Virumandampalayam. (11) Cart-track along the stream in survey No. 176 of Virumandampalayam.		The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	Items Nos. 1, 10 and 11 lie in the tract excluded by revision of boundary. The other rights claimed are admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. The cart-tracks will be six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. The foot-path will be two yards wide and open for people and cattle only. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.

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.
19	Sakkaraigoundan, moni-gar of Virumandampalayam.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that the burning-ground in survey No. 176 of Virumandampalayam on its southern side, and the burial-ground in the middle of it may be excluded from reservation.		The District Forest-officer says they may be excluded by revision of boundary.	The burning and burial grounds claimed lie in the tract excluded by revision of boundary. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 18th April 1895.
XXIV.	Palni, residing at Sinna-karukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 4-52 acres in survey No. 298 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take other lands in exchange.	Village account ..	The District Forest-officer does not object.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1895.
XXV.	Sivamalai, residing at Sinna-karukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 8-4 acres in survey No. 299 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take other land in exchange.	Do. ..	Do. do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1895.
XXVI.	Vyapurmoopan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following may be excluded from the reservation:— (1) His patta land 13-3 acres in survey No. 105 of Vittalampathi with access to it through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109, all of the said village.		Do. do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land and temple will be excluded from reservation and left as enclosures with access as claimed. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1895.
XXVII.	A temple called Muniappankoil in Semmanakulikkadu (survey No. 113) of Vittalampathi. A space of half an acre is required for people to stand and cook their offerings. Prays that access to the temple claimed in claim No. 9 may be allowed by the path provided for the patta land claimed in the said claim.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following may be excluded from the reservation:— (1) His patta land 13-3 acres in survey No. 105 of Vittalampathi with access to it through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109, all of the said village.		The District Forest-officer does not object.	Ordered accordingly. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1895.

Claim XXI.—Item No. 3 is marked in the sketch as C.

(1) Item No. 2 is marked in the sketch as A₁. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 208 of Virumandampalayam, and running westwards through the block leaves it on the east side of survey No. 160 of Vittalampathi about three chains south of its north-east corner. It again enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 27 of Perumanallur and running north-westwards leaves on the east side of survey No. 10 of Perumanallur about two and a half chains south of its north-east corner. Its length within the block is about three and a-half miles.

Item 3 is marked as A₂ in the sketch. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 280 and running northwards for about four and a-quarter furlongs through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 258 and 255 and through survey No. 254 leaves the block at the north-east corner of the last, all of Virumandampalayam.

Item No. 4 is marked in the sketch as A₃. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 314 and running eastwards for about thirteen chains along the south side of survey Nos. 297 and 267 and through survey No. 258, all of Virumandampalayam, joins path A₂ supra in survey No. 258 about a chain north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 287 of the same village.

Item No. 5 is marked in the sketch as A₄. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 371 and running northwards for about two furlongs along the west sides of survey Nos. 372, 407 and 245, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item A₃ supra near the south-west corner of the last mentioned field. Its length within the block is about two furlongs through survey Nos. 435 and 447, all of Virumandampalayam, and survey No. 108 of Vittalampathi leaves the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 94 of the latter village.

Item No. 6 is marked in the sketch as A₅. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 154 and running through it and survey Nos. 153 and 113 joins path item A₁ supra near the south-east corner of survey No. 111, all of Vittalampathi. Its length within the block is about twelve chains.

Item No. 8 is marked in the sketch as A₆. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 160 and running north-eastwards for about three and three-fourth furlongs through survey Nos. 161, 164 and 107, leaves the block at a point due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102, all of Vittalampathi.

The reservoir mentioned in item No. 9 is marked in the sketch as C₁ with access by path A₂ and A₃ and by a path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from the latter at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

The reservoir in survey No. 254 of Virumandampalayam mentioned in item No. 9 is marked in the sketch as C₂ with access by path A₂ and a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

Item No. 10 is marked in the sketch as D. The path to it enters the block about four and a-half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 154 of Vittalampathi and runs through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109 of the same village to the south side of the enclosure.

Item No. 2 is marked in the sketch as B. The temple covers a space of about half an acre (44 X 65) yards situated in survey No. 113 (near the south-west corner of survey No. 88) of Vittalampathi with access by paths A₁ and A₂.

Claim XXII.—

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam 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 XXXVIII.	Ravathamooopan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	28th Feb. 1896.	Claims his patta land acres 6.26 in survey No. 83 of Vellyampathi with access through survey Nos. 154, 153 and 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Vellyampathi open for people and cattle.	Village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer does not object.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure with access as claimed. It will be two yards wide. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1896.
11 XXIX.	Palanimoopan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Claims his patta land acres 6.54 in survey No. 89 of Vellyampathi with access allowed to Ravathamooopan (claimant No. 14) up to the south side of survey No. 87 of the said village, and thence eastwards along the north side of survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure with access as claimed, which will be two yards wide and open for the pattadar's people and cattle. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1896.
13 XXX.	Kumaragundan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Claims his patta and maniem lands 6.35 acres in survey No. 88 and 10.28 acres in survey No. 85 of Vellyampathi, and states that access to the former is the same as that allowed to Ravathamooopan's (claimant No. 14) patta land and access to the latter is the same as far as survey No. 86 of the same village from the middle of which a branch path runs westwards to the land.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the lands claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as enclosures with access as claimed. It will be two yards wide and open for the pattadar's people and cattle. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 22nd April 1896.
61 XXXI.	Periyagundan of Sinna-karukupalayam.	17th Aug. 1896.	Prays for the exclusion of survey No. 280 of Virumandampalayam enjoyed by him.			The field claimed lies outside the revised boundary of the block. The claim is therefore struck off. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th August 1896.
32 XXXII.	Ramaswami Nadan of Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	6th Sept. 1896.	Claims survey Nos. 369, 370 and 371 of Virumandampalayam.			The fields claimed lie outside the revised boundary of the block. The claim is therefore struck off. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 27th September 1896.

36 XXXIII.	Palany Chettiar and others of Vittalampathi.	1st Dec. 1896.	Pray for the exclusion of survey Nos. 96, 97, 98, 103, 104 and 106 of Vittalampathi.			The claim is not based on right and is therefore rejected. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 1st December 1896.
33 XXXIV.	Palany gundan of Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	28th Nov. 1896.	Prays that the following right may be allowed within the block:— Litteri (path) running from Kun-nathur to Tiruppur. It runs through survey Nos. 241 and 410 of Virumandampalayam village. It is required for people, cattle and carts to a width of six yards.		The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The right of way claimed is admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.
34 XXXV.	Gurunathamooopan residing at Vellyampathi.	Do.	Claims the following path:— Cart-track from Vellyampathi to Perumalur in the Palladam taluk. It enters the block near the north-west corner of survey No. 79 of Vellyampathi and running southwards through survey Nos. 78, 80, 91 and 92 of the said village joins the cart-track from Virumandampalayam to Perumalur in the last survey number. It is required to a width of six yards for people, cattle and carts.		Do.	The right of way claimed is admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.
35 XXXVI.	Karuppanmoopan residing at Vellyampathi.	Do.	Prays (1) for the admission of the right of his villagers to water their cattle in the pond in survey No. 93 of Vellyampathi; (2) for access to item 1 by the cart-track claimed in claim No. 34 and by the cart-track from Perumalur to Virumandampalayam up to a point due north of the tank, and thence by a foot-path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running southwards to the pond.		Do.	The rights claimed are admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.

Claim XXXVII.—The enclosure is marked D₃ in the sketch with access by path A₃, and in continuation of it by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle through survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Vellyampathi.

Claim XXXIX.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as D₂ with access by path A₂ till it meets path A₃ and then eastwards by the latter path.

Claim XXX.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as D₂ with access by the path allowed to item D₃ in claim XXVIII as far as the middle portion of survey No. 86 and thence by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running westwards to the enclosure D₂.

Claim XXXI.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as D₂ with access by the path allowed to enclosure D₂.

Claim XXXII.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXIII.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXIV.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXV.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXVI.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXVII.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

STATEMENT of area and condition of Virumandampalayam block of Erode taluk to accompany notification under section 16.

Taluk.	Area.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands in the taluk.		Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement in the taluk.	Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.		
		Occupied.	Un-occupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.
Erode ..	SQ. MLS. 598	SQ. MLS. 489	SQ. MLS. 109	ACS. * 2,529.24	ACS. 6,567	ACS. 703	Virumandampalayam.	..	ACS. 703

* Corrected in the Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 9th September 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1193.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 16, dated 11th January 1898.

The draft final notification received with the letter read above, will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, with the recommendation that the 31st May next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. It is observed from the sketch-map that the exclusions ordered in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Board's Proceedings in Government Order, No. 858, dated 4th December 1894, have been carried out at settlement.

3. *Claim XI*—Survey No. 423, one of the fields in respect of which claim to the usufruct of trees is preferred and rejected, lies outside the initial boundary according to the map. The Forest Settlement-officer should, therefore, have appended a note to his decision to the effect that the field in question lies outside the reserve. The same remark applies to survey No. 282 in claim No. XVIII.

4. Though the claims to the usufruct of trees in survey No. 371 (claim XII), Nos. 369 and 370 (claim XIII) and Nos. 261, 262 and 280 (claim XVIII) have been rejected at settlement, it is observed that they lie outside the revised boundary. A note to this effect should have been made in the remarks column so as to make the register complete in itself.

5. *Claim XXII—Item 8*.—The point of exit of the cart-track has not been correctly fixed in the register and notification, with reference to the revision made at settlement. The Board has, however, made the necessary correction in the records.

6. The village and forest boundaries, as marked on the map, are not quite clear. The village boundaries should, as a rule, be indicated by means of square stones as on village survey maps. The Collector is requested to see that this point is attended to in the preparation of maps in future.

7. The block lies in the Erode taluk and covers an area of 703 acres as finally settled. The area given on the sketch-map, viz., 1,084.88 acres, being apparently a mistake, has been corrected in this office so as to correspond with the area statement.

8. *Claim XXI—Item 3*.—The burning-ground dealt with lies on the border of the reserve. The Board has, therefore, excluded from the reserve limits, this as well as the path leading thereto, and has made the necessary alterations in the register and draft notification.

(True Copies 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.

Ead. P. Seetharam.

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Reserved Forest.

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

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 16, dated 11th January 1898:—

Read—the following letter from HERBERT BRADLEY, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras, (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated Coimbatore, 2nd September 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1588-For.:—

I have the honour to forward herewith the settlement papers of the Virumandampalayam block, Erode taluk, as

1. Forest Settlement-officer's letter, Ref. on Cur. No. 1063, dated 25th June 1897.
2. Draft notification.
3. Sketch-map.
4. Statement of area and condition.
5. B. Register.

per margin, and request that you will kindly order the publication of the notification under section 16 of the Forest Act V of 1882 in the Fort St. George and District Gazettes, if approved by the Board and Government.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From F. V. P. GOMPERTZ, Esq., Forest Settlement-officer, Trichinopoly, &c., districts, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Camp, Lithodu, 25th June 1897, Ref. on No. 1063.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the Virumandampalayam forest block, Erode taluk, after complying with the provisions of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act V of 1882.

2. The block comprises portions of Virumandampalayam, Velliyampathi and Vittalampathi villages.

3. The notification under section 4 appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 11th December 1894, and the proclamation under section 6 was issued on 11th idem by M.R.Ry. C. Raju Sastriar Avargal fixing 1st May 1895, as the latest date for preference of claims. The settlement of the block was begun by him, but completed by me after the transfer of it to my name was notified in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of 25th ultimo. The last claim was disposed of on 8th January 1897 and the appeal time expired on 9th March 1897, without any appeal being preferred. The exclusions made, with the consent of the District Forest-officer, in view to throw out private rights, and straighten the boundary are indicated in the sketch by green lines.

4. Thirty-six claims were preferred. They were for patta and waste lands, for two temples, three burning-grounds and a burial-ground, and fourteen rights of way and for right to the use of the water of three tanks, and to the usufruct of certain palmyra trees. The patta lands, with the exception of six fields left as enclosures, were either thrown out by revision of boundary or acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. One temple and one burning-ground, were left as enclosures and the remaining temples, burning and burial grounds, some of the waste lands, a tank and five rights of way were thrown out by revision of boundary. The claims to the remaining rights of way were allowed. The claims to certain waste lands and for the right to the usufruct of trees were dismissed, not being based on any right.

5. I beg that three months' time may be allowed for promulgation of the final notification under section 16 from the probable date of its appearance in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.
B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam reserved forest block No. 31, Erode taluk, Coimbatore 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.
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3	Marappa goundan residing at Perakapalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 9.62 acres in survey No. 181 of Virumandampalayam included in the proposed reserved forest.	Village accounts	The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
4	Sinnakaruppamoopan residing at Tillakuttapalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 8.12 acres in survey No. 186 of Virumandampalayam included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
8	Ardanari goundan residing at Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 6.34 acres in survey No. 92 of Vittalampathi included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
13	Karuppamoopan residing at Velliyampathi.	28th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta lands 5.76 and 4.45 acres in survey Nos. 94 and 99, respectively, of Vittalampathi included in the proposed reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
16	Nallamthu goundan residing at Otta Velangadu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 5.20 acres in survey No. 185 of Virumandampalayam included in the reserve.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. The land claimed falls outside the revised boundary of the forest. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
17	Patta goundan and others of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Pray that 6.34 and 3.53 acres in survey Nos. 92 and 87, respectively, held on patta, and nine fields adjoining them which they enjoy may not be taken up for the forest.	Do.	Do.	All the fields mentioned lie outside the revised boundary. No order is therefore necessary in regard to them. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.
20	Subramania Iyer, karanam of Vittalampathi.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that burning-ground in survey No. 102 of Vittalampathi on the west side of the pond in it may be excluded from reservation.	Do.	Do.	The field containing the burning-ground lies outside the revised boundary. No order is therefore necessary in regard to the burning ground. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 2nd April 1895.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam 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 VIII.	Subramaniya Iyer, karnam of Vittalampathi.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that the cattle of the village may be allowed to drink water in the pond in survey No. 102 of Vittalampathi.		The District Forest-officer does not object.	The land referred to lies outside the revised boundary of the forest. No order is therefore necessary on the claim preferred. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 2nd April 1895.
5 IX.	Karuppayi, mother of Rengamooapan, pattadar No. 84 of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims her son's patta land 8-31 acres in survey No. 300 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take in exchange survey Nos. 370 and 369.	Village accounts	The District Forest-officer admits the claim and proposes to have the land as an enclosure, the exchange having fallen through. District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. PANDARAKOLAM, 6th April 1895.
16 † X.	Rengamooapan residing at Sodayampattu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	28th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 6-24 acres in survey No. 431 of Virumandampalayam and consents to give it up and take exchange survey Nos. 418 and 417.	Do.		The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. PANDARAKOLAM, 6th April 1895.
30 XI.	Rengamooapan, son of Velmanimooapan residing at Sodayampattu, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	9th Mar. 1895.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam alleged to have been held by him on patta but since removed from the patta by the revenue authorities:— Survey number. Trees. 430 .. 16 434 .. 84 429 .. 25 444 .. 4 445 .. 9 432 .. 2 and leaf-bearing 1. 423 .. 1			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
29 XII.	Sengaruppmooapan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 372 .. 16 371 .. 14			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
23 XIII.	Rengamooapan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 369 .. 47 370 .. 11			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.

25 XIV.	Shanara Karuppmooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 297 .. 19 312 .. 20 313 .. 27			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
26 XV.	Periyamooapan, son of Nuthamooapan, residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims his right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 311 .. 45 312 .. 15			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
27 XVI.	Periyakaruppmooapan and others residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Trees. 208 .. 6 279 .. 27 256 .. 20 257 .. 7			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
28 XVII.	Fahimooapan residing at Annampalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 238 .. 1 239 .. 1 405 .. 17 408 .. 51 408 .. 9 409 .. 7 407 .. 20 245 .. 2 243 .. 4			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
22 XVIII.	Karuppmooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of the following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 251 .. 29 252 .. 20 280 .. 20 282 .. 3			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 17th April 1895.
24 XIX.	Periyamooapan residing at Periyakarukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	Do.	Claims right to the usufruct of his following patta palmyra trees in Virumandampalayam:— Survey number. Leaf-bearing. 255 .. 34 254 .. 4			Claimant has failed to establish his claim although ample opportunity was given. The claim is therefore rejected under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. Tinnevely, 18th April 1895.

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.
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XX.	Pattaya goundan residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following access may be allowed:— (1) Access to the temple item No. 2 in claim No. 6 by the path running from the west side of field No. 152 along the stream in it. (2) Access to the burning-ground, item No. 3, by the path along the west sides of survey Nos. 152 and 153 and the south side of survey No. 154, all of Vittalampathi.		The District Forest-officer does not object.
6	Pattaya goundan residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following may be excluded from reservation:— (1) Patta lands 3-53 acres in survey No. 87 in Vittalampathi. (2) The temple called Karupuroyan koil in the field (Kittalkedn), survey No. 152. It has a building about ten cubits square. A space of 1 acre is required in front of it for people to stand and worship and cook their offerings. (3) * A burning-ground to a space of 5 cents in survey No. 154 about its south-east corner. [Survey numbers are all of Vittalampathi.]		The District Forest-officer does not object.
XXI.					
18	Sakkara! goundan, moni-gar of Virumandampalayam.	1st Mar. 1895.	Prays that the following rights may be allowed:— (1) The Itteri in survey No. 207 of Virumandampalayam. (2) + Cart track which branches from item No. 1 at the north-east corner of survey No. 159 of Vittalampathi. It again enters on the south side of survey No. 163 and running through survey Nos. 163, 164 and 165, all of Vittalampathi leaves on the west side of the last. (3) Cart-track from Periyakurupalayam. It runs northwards through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 258 and 256, and through survey No. 254 to the north-east corner of the last, all of Virumandampalayam, where it joins item No. 1. (4) Cart-track from Sinnakurupalayam. It enters the block on the south side of survey No. 297, and running along the south sides of survey Nos. 297 and 257, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item No. 3. (5) Cart-track from Annasapalayam. It enters the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 370, and running along the west sides of survey Nos. 370, 371, 372, 407 and 245, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item No. 2 (owing to the exclusion proposed, it enters the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 372 of the same village). (6) Cart-track from Sadayampatti. It runs through Itteri survey No. 435 and through No. 447, both of Virumandampalayam, and joins Itteri survey No. 108 of Villampathi. (Part of survey No. 108 is included in the reserve.) (7) Cart-track from Porasapalayam. It runs through survey Nos. 154 and 113 of Vittalampathi joins item No. 2. (It enters on the south side of survey No. 154.) (8) Cart-track from Perumanalur to Vittalampathi (survey Nos. 161 and 107). (9) Right to water their and the neighbouring village cattle in the reservoir in survey No. 93 of Villampathi and 254 of Virumandampalayam (on the rock on the north side of the latter), and right of the washermen of the surrounding villages to wash clothes in them. (10) Foot-path running along the south side of survey No. 262 of Virumandampalayam from Periyakurupalayam to Virumandampalayam. (11) Cart-track along the stream in survey No. 176 of Virumandampalayam.		The District Forest-officer admits the claim.
XXII.					

19	Sakkaraigoundan, moni- gar of Virumandampala- yam.	1st Mar. 1895.	Frays that the hurring-ground in survey No. 176 of Virumandampa- layam on its southern side, and the burial-ground in the middle of it may be excluded from reservation.		The District Forest- officer says they may be excluded by revision of boundary.	The burning and burial grounds claimed lie in the tract excluded by revision of boundary. C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. TINNEVELLY, 18th April 1895.
XXIII.						
1	Palni, residing at Sinna- karukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	25th Feb. 1895.	Claims his patta land 4-52 acres in survey No. 298 of Viruman- dampalayam and consents to give it up and take other lands in ex- change.	Village account ..	The District Forest- officer does not object.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. TINNEVELLY, 19th April 1895.
XXIV.						
2	Sivamalai, residing at Sinna-karukupalayam, hamlet of Virumandampa- layam.	Do.	Claims his patta land 8-4 acres in survey No. 299 of Virumandampa- layam and consents to give it up and take other land in exchange.	Do. ..	Do. do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act. C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. TINNEVELLY, 19th April 1895.
XXV.						
9	Vyapurimooan, resid- ing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that the following may be excluded from the reservation:— (1) His patta land 13-3 acres in survey No. 105 of Vittalampathi.		Do. do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land and temple will be ex- cluded from reservation and left as enclosures with access as claimed. C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. TINNEVELLY, 19th April 1895.
XXVI.						
	with access to it through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109, all of the said village. It is required for people and cattle to a width of two yards.					
	(2) A temple called Muniappankoll in Semmankulikkadu (survey No. 113) of Vittalampathi. There is no building, but an image is kept south of survey No. 88 of Villiampathi. A space of half an acre is required for people to stand and cook their offerings.					
10	Vyapurimooan, resid- ing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	26th Feb. 1895.	Prays that access to the temple claimed in claim No. 9 may be allowed by the path provided for the patta land claimed in the said claim.		The District Forest- officer does not object.	Ordered accordingly. C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. TINNEVELLY, 19th April 1895.
XXVII.						

*Claim XXI.—** Item No. 3 is marked in the sketch as C. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 208 of Virumandan Palayam, and running westwards through the block leaves it on the east side of survey No. 160 of Vittalampathi about three chains south of its north-east corner. It again enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 27 of Perumanaalur and running north-westwards leaves on the east side of survey No. 10 of Perumanaalur about two and a half chains south of its north-east corner. Its length within the block is about three and-a-half miles.

Item 3 is marked as A₂ in the sketch. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 280 and running northwards for about four and-a-quarter furlongs through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 258 and 255 and through survey No. 254 leaves the block at the north-east corner of the last, all of Virumanda palayam.

Item No. 4 is marked in the sketch as A₁. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 314 and running eastwards for about thirteen chains along the south side of survey No. 297 and through survey No. 258, all of Virumandampalayam, joins path A₂ *supra* in survey No. 258 about a chain north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 257 of the same village.

Item No. 5 is marked in the sketch as A₃. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 371 and running northwards for about two furlongs along the west side of survey Nos. 372, 407 and 245, all of Virumandampalayam, joins item A₂ *supra* near the south-west corner of the last mentioned field. Its length within the block is about two furlongs.

Item No. 6 is marked in the sketch as A₃. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 427 and running generally north-north-westwards for about three and-a-half furlongs through survey Nos. 435 and 447, all of Virumandampalayam, and survey No. 108 of Velilampathi leaves the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 94 of the latter village.

Item No. 7 is marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 154 and running through it and survey Nos. 153 and 113 joins path item A₂ *supra* near the south-east corner of survey No. 111, all of Vittalampathi. Its length within the block is about twelve chains.

Item No. 8 is marked in the sketch as A₁. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 160 and running north-eastwards for about three and three-fourth furlongs through survey Nos. 161, 164 and 107, leaves the block at a point due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102, all of Vittalampathi.

The reservoir mentioned in item No. 9 is marked in the sketch as C₁ with access by paths A₂ and A₃ and by a path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from the latter at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

The reservoir in survey No. 254 of Virumandampalayam mentioned in item No. 9 is marked in the sketch as C₁ with access by path A₂ and a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

Claims XXIV and XXV.— The land has been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. The patia land is marked in the sketch as D₁. The path to it enters the block about four and-a-half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 154 of Vittalampathi and runs through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109 of the same village to the south side of the enclosure.

Item No. 2 is marked in the sketch as B. The temple covers a space of about half an acre (44 × 55) yards situated in survey No. 113 (near the south-west corner of survey No. 88) of Vittalampathi with access by paths A₁ and A₂.

Claim XXVII.—

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Virumandampalayam 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 XXVIII.	Ravuthamoopan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	28th Feb. 1896.	Claims his patta land acres 6.26 in survey No. 83 of Vellyampathi with access through survey Nos. 154, 153 and 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Vellyampathi open for people and cattle.	Village accounts ..	The District Forest-officer does not object.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure with access as claimed. It will be two yards wide. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1896.
11 XXIX.	Palanimoopan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Claims his patta land acres 6.54 in survey No. 89 of Vellyampathi with access allowed to Ravuthamoopan (claimant No. 14) up to the south side of survey No. 87 of the said village, and thence eastwards along the north side of survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure with access as claimed, which will be two yards wide and open for the pattadar's people and cattle. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 19th April 1896.
12 XXX.	Kumaragoundan, residing at Porasapalayam, hamlet of Vittalampathi.	Do.	Claims his patta and maniem lands 6.35 acres in survey No. 88 and 10.23 acres in survey No. 85 of Vellyampathi, and states that access to the former is the same as that allowed to Ravuthamoopan's (claimant No. 14) patta land and access to the latter is the same as far as survey No. 86 of the same village from the middle of which a branch path runs westwards to the land.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted under section 10 of the Forest Act and the land claimed will be excluded from reservation and left as enclosures with access as claimed. It will be two yards wide and open for the pattadar's people and cattle. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 22nd April 1896.
31 XXXI.	Periyagoundan of Sinna-karukupalayam.	17th Aug. 1896.	Prays for the exclusion of survey No. 280 of Virumandampalayam enjoyed by him.			The field claimed lies outside the revised boundary of the block. The claim is therefore struck off. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th August 1896.
32 XXXII.	Ramaswami Nadan of Ammapalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	5th Sept. 1896.	Claims survey Nos. 369, 370 and 371 of Virumandampalayam.			The fields claimed lie outside the revised boundary of the block. The claim is therefore struck off. (Signed) C. RAJU SASTRI, Forest Sett.-officer. 27th September 1896.

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36 XXXIII.	Palany Chettiar and others of Vittalampathi.	1st Dec. 1896.	Prays for the exclusion of survey Nos. 95, 96, 97, 98, 103, 104 and 106 of Vittalampathi.			The claim is not based on right and is therefore rejected. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 1st December 1896.
33 XXXIV.	Palany Goundan of Ammapalayam, hamlet of Virumandampalayam.	28th Nov. 1896.	Prays that the following right may be allowed within the block:— Itteri (path) running from Kunnathur to Tiruppur. It runs through survey Nos. 241 and 410 of Virumandampalayam village. It is required for people, cattle and carts to a width of six yards.		The District Forest-officer admits the claim.	The right of way claimed is admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.
34 XXXV.	Gurunathamooipan residing at Vellyampathi.	Do.	Claims the following path:— Cart-track from Vellyampathi to Perumanalur in the Palladam taluk. It enters the block near the north-west corner of survey No. 79 of Vellyampathi and running southwards through survey Nos. 78, 80, 91 and 92 of the said village joins the cart-track from Virumandampalayam to Perumanalur in the last survey number. It is required to a width of six yards for people, cattle and carts.		Do.	The right of way claimed is admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.
35 XXXVI.	Karuppanmoopan residing at Vellyampathi.	Do.	Prays (1) for the admission of the right of his villagers to water their cattle in the pond in survey No. 93 of Vellyampathi; (2) for access to item 1 by the cart-track claimed in claim No. 34 and by the cart-track from Perumanalur to Virumandampalayam up to a point due north of the tank, and thence by a foot-path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running southwards to the pond.		Do.	The rights claimed are admitted and recorded under section 11 of the Forest Act. (Signed) P. S. SINGARAVELU, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th January 1897.

Claim XXXVII.—The enclosure is marked D₃ in the sketch with access by path A₃, and in continuation of it by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle through survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Vellyampathi.

Claim XXXIX.—The enclosure is marked in the sketch as D₅ with access by path A₅ till it meets path A₃ and then eastwards by the latter path.

Claim XXX.—
{ Survey No. 86 is marked in the sketch as D₂ with access by the path allowed to item D₃ in claim XXVIII as far as the middle portion of survey No. 86 and thence by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running westwards to the enclosure.
{ Survey No. 88 is marked in the sketch as D₄ with access by the path allowed to enclosure D₃.

Claim XXXIV.—* Marked in the sketch as A₁. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 404 and running northwards for about sixteen and half chains through survey Nos. 410 and 241 leaves the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 240, all of Virumandampalayam.

Claim XXXV.—† Marked in the sketch as A₂. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 79 and running southwards for about three and half chains through survey Nos. 78, 80, 91 and 92 joins path A₅ about five chains north of the south-east corner of the last mentioned field, all of Vellyampathi.

Claim XXXVI.—Item 1 is marked as C₁ in the sketch.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

STATEMENT of area and condition of Virumandampalayam block of Erode taluk to accompany notification under section 16.

Taluk.	Area.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands in the taluk.			Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement in the taluk.	Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.		
		Occupied.	Un-occupied.					Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.
Erode ..	SQ. MLS. 598	SQ. MLS. 489	SQ. MLS. 109	ACS. 2,529.24	ACS. 6,567	ACS. 703	Virumandampalayam.	..		ACS. 703

* Corrected in the Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 9th September 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1193.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 16, dated 11th January 1898.

The draft final notification received with the letter read above, will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, with the recommendation that the 31st May next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. It is observed from the sketch-map that the exclusions ordered in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Board's Proceedings in Government Order, No. 858, dated 4th December 1894, have been carried out at settlement:

3. *Claim XI*.—Survey No. 423, one of the fields in respect of which claim to the usufruct of trees is preferred and rejected, lies outside the initial boundary according to the map. The Forest Settlement-officer should, therefore, have appended a note to his decision to the effect that the field in question lies outside the reserve. The same remark applies to survey No. 282 in claim No. XVIII.

4. Though the claims to the usufruct of trees in survey No. 371 (claim XII), Nos. 369 and 370 (claim XIII) and Nos. 261, 262 and 280 (claim XVIII) have been rejected at settlement, it is observed that they lie outside the revised boundary. A note to this effect should have been made in the remarks column so as to make the register complete in itself.

5. *Claim XXII—Item 8*.—The point of exit of the cart-track has not been correctly fixed in the register and notification, with reference to the revision made at settlement. The Board has, however, made the necessary correction in the records.

6. The village and forest boundaries, as marked on the map, are not quite clear. The village boundaries should, as a rule, be indicated by means of square stones as on village survey maps. The Collector is requested to see that this point is attended to in the preparation of maps in future.

7. The block lies in the Erode taluk and covers an area of 703 acres as finally settled. The area given on the sketch-map, viz., 1,084.88 acres, being apparently a mistake, has been corrected in this office so as to correspond with the area statement.

8. *Claim XXI—Item 3*.—The burning-ground dealt with lies on the border of the reserve. The Board has, therefore, excluded from the reserve limits, this as well

as the path leading thereto, and has made the necessary alterations in the register and draft notification.

(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.

ORDER—No. 103, Revenue, dated 19th February 1898.

Forest No. 23.

The draft notification will be published in the Fort St. George and Coimbatore District Gazettes, the 31st May 1898 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

(True Extract.)

Ag. Secretary to Government.

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

Endorsement No. 103A.

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

(Signed) N. E. MARJORIBANKS,
Ag. Asst. 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 31st May 1898 the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule annexed to this notification shall be constituted a reserved forest.

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Names of villages.	Number of block.	Name of block.	Boundaries.
Coimbatore.	Erode ..	Velliyampathi, Vittalampathi and Virumandampalayam.	31	Virumandampalayam.	<p><i>North</i>.—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 9 of Perumanallur village (Palladam taluk) eastwards the south side of survey No. 8 of the same village till it meets the western boundary of survey No. 172 of Vittalampathi; thence the west, south and east sides of the said number, the south and east sides of survey No. 173, and the south sides of survey Nos. 175 and 176 to the south-east corner of the last; thence south-south-westwards along the west side of survey No. 107 to a cairn in it due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102; thence a straight line to the said corner; thence the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; thence the south sides of survey Nos. 101, 100, 99 and 94 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Vittalampathi village); thence east-south-eastwards the west side of survey No. 77 of Velliyampathi to the north-east corner of survey No. 95 of Vittalampathi; thence a straight line to its south-east corner; thence southwards the west side of survey No. 77 to its south-west corner; thence a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 79 of Velliyampathi; thence the west sides of that number and No. 95 and the west and the south sides of survey No. 94 to the south-east corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the east side of survey No. 108 where it turns eastwards for the first time from the south; thence eastwards that side and the south side of survey No. 109 to its south-east corner; thence northwards the east side of the said number to the south-west corner of survey No. 113; thence the south sides of survey Nos. 113 and 121 and the west and south sides of survey No. 124 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Velliyampathi); thence southwards the west side of survey No. 241 of Virumandampalayam to a cairn in it due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 240 of the same village; thence a straight line to the said corner; thence the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; thence the south and east sides of survey No. 18 of Velliyampathi, the south sides of survey Nos. 17 and 7 to the south-east corner of the last (all of the said village); thence the west sides of survey Nos. 236 and 249 of Virumandampalayam, the west, south and east sides of survey No. 250, the south side of survey No. 251, the west and south sides of survey No. 209 to the south-east corner of the last (all of Virumandampalayam).</p> <p><i>East</i>.—Thence south-south-eastwards, the east side of survey No. 208 (inside field) and the west side of survey No. 207 to the north-east corner of survey No. 261 (all of Virumandampalayam).</p> <p><i>South</i>.—Thence westwards the north sides of survey Nos. 261, 275 and 276 of Virumandampalayam to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to the north-east corner of survey No. 280; thence its north side, the east side of survey No. 295, the east and north sides of survey No. 296, the north sides of survey Nos. 317, 314, 309, 302 and 303, the east and north sides of survey Nos. 371, 373 and 404 to the north-west corner of the last; thence the north and west sides of survey No. 402 to the north-east corner of survey</p>

No. 417; thence the north sides of survey Nos. 417, 418, 419, 428 and 427 to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the west side of survey No. 435, three and a half chains north of the north-east corner of survey No. 440; thence southwards the west side of survey No. 435 to the said corner; thence the north side of survey No. 440, the north and west sides of survey No. 441 (all of Virumandampalayam), the north side of survey No. 125 of Vittalampathi, the east and north sides of survey No. 123, the east sides of survey Nos. 118, 116 and 115, the east and north sides of survey No. 114 to the north-west corner of the last; thence a straight line to a cairn on the north-east corner of survey No. 62 of Perumanallur; thence a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 154 excluding the burning ground near the south-east corner of the said field and thence a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 158 (all of Vittalampathi). West.—Thence northwards the east side of survey No. 30 of Perumanallur, and the east and north sides of survey No. 160 (all of Vittalampathi) to the northernmost point of the latter; thence the boundary of the Perumanallur village to the starting point.

REMARKS A.—The following rights of way are allowed within the block:—

- (1) Cart-track from Perumanallur to Vittalampathi six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 160, and running north-eastwards for about three and three-fourths furlongs through survey Nos. 161, 164 and 107 leaves the block at a point due west of the south-west corner of survey No. 102 (all of Vittalampathi).
- (2) Cart-track from Velliampathi to Perumanallur six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 79 and running southwards for about three and a half furlongs through survey Nos. 78, 80, 91 and 92 joins cart-track A₂ *infra* about five chains north of the south-east corner of the last-mentioned field (all of Velliampathi).
- (3) Cart-track from Sadayampattu six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 427 and running generally north-northwestwards for about three and a half furlongs through survey Nos. 435 and 447 (all of Virumandampalayam) and survey No. 108 of Velliampathi leaves the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 94 of the same village.
- (4) Itteri (path) from Kunnathur to Tiruppur six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 404 and running northwards for about sixteen and a half chains through survey Nos. 410 and 241 leaves the block at the south-west corner of survey No. 240 (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (5) Cart-track six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the south-east corner of survey No. 208 of Virumandampalayam and running westwards through the block leaves it on the east side of survey No. 160 of Vittalampathi about three chains south of its north-east corner. It again enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 27 of Perumanallur and running north-westwards through survey Nos. 163, 164 and 165 of Vittalampathi leaves on the east side of survey No. 10 of Perumanallur about two and a half chains south of its north-east corner. Its length within the block is about three and a half miles.
- (6) Cart-track from Periyakarupalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 280 and running northwards for about four and one-fourth furlongs through survey No. 278 and along the west sides of survey Nos. 258 and 255 and through survey No. 254 leaves the block at the north-east corner of the last (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (7) Cart-track from Sinnakarupalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-east corner of survey No. 314 and running eastwards for about thirteen chains along the south sides of survey Nos. 297 and 257 and through survey No. 258, joins path A₂ *supra* in survey No. 258 about a chain north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 257 (all of Virumandampalayam).
- (8) Cart-track from Ammapalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block at the north-west corner of survey No. 371 and running northwards along the west sides of survey Nos. 372, 407 and 245 (all of Virumandampalayam) joins item A₂ *supra* near the south-west corner of the last-mentioned field. Its length within the block is about two furlongs.
- (9) Cart-track from Porasapalayam six yards wide and open for people, cattle and carts. It enters the block near the south-east corner of survey No. 154 and running through it and survey Nos. 153 and 113 joins path item A₂ *supra* near the south-east corner of survey No. 111 (all of Vittalampathi). Its length within the block is about twelve chains.

B. The undermentioned temple has been excluded from reservation and left as an enclosure within the block with access as noted under it:—
Muniappankoil covering a space of about $\frac{1}{4}$ acre (44 × 55) yards situated in survey No. 113 (near the south-west corner of survey No. 88) of Vittalampathi. To be approached by paths items A₂ and A₃ *supra* and also by the foot-path forming access to survey No. 105 in D₁.

C. The following rights are admitted within the block:—

- (1) Right of Virumandampalayam people and their neighbouring villages and the people of Velliampathi to water their cattle in the reservoir in survey No. 93 of Velliampathi. Right of washermen of the surrounding villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by items A₂ and A₃ and by a path three yards wide open for people and cattle branching from the latter at a point due north of the pond and running southwards to it.
- (2) Right of Virumandampalayam people and their neighbouring villages to water their cattle in the reservoir on the rock on the northern portion of survey No. 254 of Virumandampalayam. Right of washermen of the neighbouring villages to wash clothes in it is also allowed. To be approached by item A₂ and a path two yards wide open for people and cattle, branching from it at a point due north of the reservoir and running southwards to it.

D. The undermentioned patta lands have been excluded from reservation and left as enclosures within the block with access as noted against them:—

Village.	Survey number.	Extent.	Access.
1. Vittalampathi ..	105	ACS. 13.3	A path two yards wide open for people and cattle. It enters the block about four and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 154 of Vittalampathi and runs through survey Nos. 154, 112, 111, 110 and 109 of the same village to the south side of the enclosure.
2. Velliampathi ..	85	10.28	By the path allowed to item D ₂ <i>infra</i> as far as the middle portion of survey No. 86; and thence by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle branching from it and running westwards to the enclosure.
3. Velliampathi ..	83	6.26	By path item A ₂ and in continuation of it by a path two yards wide open for people and cattle through survey No. 113 of Vittalampathi and survey Nos. 87 and 86 of Velliampathi.
4. Virumandampalayam ..	300	8.31	By right of way item A ₂ .
5. Velliampathi ..	89	6.54	By path item A ₂ till it meets path A ₃ and then eastwards by the latter path.
6. Velliampathi ..	88	6.35	By the path allowed to item No. D ₂ .

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