

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2321

DATED 31st May

[Despatch Abstract.]

Ref: the Coll^r of Cuddalore obtaining from
 Mr. Col^r M. R. T. Ranga Rao a full explanation
 of his conduct & to submit the same for the
 orders of Govt. and the Board of Revenue.
 in this matter of his refusal to take charge of the
 Cuddalore Sub-Division.

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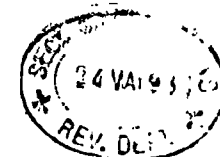
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From

The Ag Collector of Cuddapah.

Read in No 3780 R & S

Order in is. no. 2321 dt 31st May 1898.

Ref No. 559-158
1898

The Collector is requested
to obtain from the Dy Collector
~~to submit~~
within 10 days of the
receipt a full explanation
of his conduct in the
matter & to submit
the same for the
order of the Govt

Dated 20th May 1898.

Received 24th

Registered 25th

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thus the Bd of Revenue without delay. SUBJECT.
within 10 days of
the receipt of this
order by him.

Requests to notice the
inordinate conduct of
Mr R. S. Rempala by
Collector Cuddapah

29.5.98

1305/98

To the Collector of Cuddapah

Cy to the Bd d.R. A.C.

1305/98

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Kuddapah Collectors office
20th May 1898.

From E. L. R. Thornton, Esquire,
Collector of
Kuddapah.

To The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Madras.

Sir
With reference to Government telegram
dated 14th instant, placing Mr. R. R. J.
Ranga Rao in charge of the Sub-Collector's
and appointing Mr. R. V. Sivasankar Rao
as Head Quarter Deputy Collector of Kuddapah,
to relieve Mr. R. R. J. Ranga Rao, I have
the honor to report that Mr. Vaughan
telegraphed to Mr. R. R. J. Ranga Rao from
Madanapalli on the 16th instant to the
following effect:
"Handed over charge to Sivasankar Rao,
and he prepared to relieve Mr. Thornton
of Sub-Collector's charge on Thursday."

Mr R. J. Runga Rao sent a reply telegram on the 17th instant from Kamalapuram representing 'great inconvenience' in going to Madanapalli without availing himself of joining time, and requesting permission to take charge at Madanapalli. As Mr. Vaughan wanted to be relieved himself on the 19th afternoon, and as, in accordance with the Board's orders, the Jamabandi of Madanapalli and Kadiri had to be completed by the Collector, and that of Voyalpad by the Sub Collector before the end of May, he sent a reply message to Mr R. J. Runga Rao declining to accede to his request, and informing him that the Sub Collector should be relieved at Cuddapah. This message was despatched at Madanapalli at about 5 P.M. on the 17th (Tuesday), and should have reached Mr R. J. Runga Rao at Kamalapuram, the same night, or the next morning (Wednesday the 18th). Mr. Vaughan also wired to the Sub Collector ^{Deputy Clerk} ~~to~~ to be at Cuddapah

RS.

Date

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on the 19th with necessary charge papers, and instructed Mr R. V. Sivatsankarao to relieve Mr R. J. Runga Rao at Cuddapah before Thursday morning.

2. On my going to the S. camp at about 7 a.m. on the morning of the 19th, I made enquiries as to whether Mr R. J. Runga Rao had come, but a peon of the camp handed to me the keys of the Currency Chest with a letter from Mr R. J. Runga Rao stating that he was engaged at Kamalapuram in an important enquiry, which will be likely to be hushed if not completed. I may mention here that Kamalapuram, where Mr R. J. Runga Rao had been encamped for the previous two or three days, and whence he had been holding telegraphic communication with Mr. Vaughan, is only 15 miles distant from Cuddapah, and a Railway station. It is also connected with Cuddapah by a very good road. I sent a telegram at about 9 a.m. to Mr R. J. Runga Rao

asking him to come without fail by the local train to relieve me, as I had arranged to leave Buddapah for Madanapalli by the mail train that night. On arrival of the train at the station, I sent my ^{request} person with instructions to him to Mr R. P. J. Rungarao, if he arrived, to meet me at the Railway Staff quarters bungalow, which is situated a short distance from the station, and which any one going from the station to Buddapah town must necessarily pass. Mr R. P. J. Rungarao did arrive by the train, and sent me a message that he would see me after sending his things home. I waited for more than half an hour, and finding that Mr R. P. J. Rungarao did not turn up, I went to Mr. Vaughan to complete the transfer of charge relating to the Collector's office. After I left the place, he appears to have met the Sub Collector's Head clerk, and after ascertaining from him that the box containing the property relating

to Criminal Cases on the joint Magistrate's file, was not brought to Buddapah, he went home saying that he was much tired, and that the transfer of charge would not be complete without taking charge of the box.

3. About 6.30 P.M. I returned to my quarters, when the Sub Collector's Head clerk informed me of what had occurred. I thereon wrote a Demi official letter to Mr R. P. J. Rungarao directing him to come at once and relieve me, failing which he would be reported to Government for disobedience. About an hour later, in consultation with Mr. Vaughan, I sent an official letter to Mr R. P. J. Rungarao, directing him to hand over charge of the Buddapah Deputy Collector's Office to Mr R. V. Sivatsauka Rao, and take charge of the office of Sub Collector before 9 P.M. that night at the Railway Staff quarters bungalow, failing which I should be obliged to report his disobedience to the Board. The letter was sent in charge of Mr R. P. V. Sivatsauka Rao with instructions

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10. to hand it over in person, and arrange for
the transfer of charge. Mr R. V. Sivatsankaran
11. returned at 8.30 Pm, saying that he had
12. delivered the letter, that Mr R. J. Rungarao
13. declined to be relieved by him till the after-
14. noon of the following day, and that he
15. expressed the intention of availing himself
16. of joining time and proceeding to Madanapalle
17. after so doing, to take charge of the
18. Subcollector's office. This was exactly
19. what Mr. Vaughan, for public reasons,
20. had declined to allow in his telegram
21. of the 17th. I therefore waited till 9 Pm,
22. and then finding that Mr R. J. Rungarao
23. was evidently determined to disobey
24. the orders issued to him both by Mr. Vaughan
25. and myself, I, in the exercise of the power
26. conferred upon collectors to transfer Deputy
27. Collector from one division to another, handed
28. over charge of the subdivision to Mr. R. V.
29. Sivatsankaran, and wrote to Mr R.
30. J. Rungarao, informing him that pending
31. orders of Government, he shall remain in
32. charge of the Head Quarters division.
33. I request that Government will approve
34. my action, and that Mr R. V. Sivatsankaran
35. may continue in charge of the subdivision.

while I am acting as Collector. Mr R. V.
Sivatsankaran's work during the time
he acted as Deputy Collector of Cuddalore
for about 6 months in 1897 was highly
spoken of by Mr. Lake, in the Jamine
Administration Report; and both Mr. Vaughan
and myself are of opinion that he is much
better fitted to be in charge of the subdivision
than Mr R. J. Rungarao, whose bad
magisterial work in the Jammalamadugu
division formed the subject of a long
Correspondence between the High Court,
District Magistrate and Government.
(vide Correspondence ending with Mr.
Vaughan's letter no Reg. ¹³⁸ ^{mag} dated 22nd March 98)
and who is very much in arrears with
Jaminabandi this year.

4. With regard to Mr R. J. Rungarao's
disobedient and insubordinate conduct,
I request that Government will pass
such orders as seem fit. He had previously
applied for a month's leave, which Mr.
Vaughan recommended only on condition
of a substitute being appointed, and
it appears that he thought he could

Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 3/13.

From

The Head Quarter Dy Collector,
Buddapah.

No.

Dated 22 May

Received 23 "

Registered 23 "

Enclosures One Ld: R. Rao for 1 R.

Spare copies.

SUBJECT.

Praying for grant of casual
leave from tomorrow on account
of his son's marriage at Bangalore
on the 25 inst.

Order

Ldges
w.m. up to 10/11/98

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ask arrange his private business by availing
himself of the joining time, and then
avoid taking leave. For public reasons
already explained, Mr. Vaughan ordered
him to hand over charge of his division,
and take over charge of the subdivision
without joining time, and this order was
repeated by me. Mr. R. R. J. Rungarao,
of however, ignored the order, and flatly
declined to hand over charge of the
Buddapah Division to Mr. R. R. V.
Sivatsanka Rao and take charge
of the subdivision on the 19th as directed.
I submit that such insubordinate
conduct merits very severe notice,
and will respectfully add that unless
discipline is strictly maintained, district
administration will be impossible
with officers like Mr. R. R. J. Rungarao,
who seems to think that his financial
independence justifies him in disregarding
the orders of his superiors.

I have the honor to be

your most obedient servant

V. Sivatsanka Rao

for Dy Collector.

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 Office Instructions. In one rupee.

From (Person) Headquarters
 To Revenue Secretary Government of Madras
 House Bill
 your telegram many thanks collect
 for distant non telegraphic bill
 station Kanchikonda my presence
 house marriage 25th Bangalore relig
 necessary otherwise great loss
 May part of casual leave from
 home leave necessary deputy magistrate

Recd. from LN. Sent to
 At Hrs. Mts. by
 OOTACAMUND 22-5-98
 Telegraph Master.

OGP-No. 494 T-27 4. 8-1000000

Relieve me under kind
 orders.

32 Word Form

Recd. from LN. Sent to
 At Hrs. Mts. by
 OOTACAMUND 22-5-98
 Telegraph Master.

OGP-No. 494 T-27 4. 8-1000000

Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 3/112

Del.
From

The Head Quarter Deputy Collector,
Buddapah.

No.

Dated 23rd May

Received 23rd

Registered 23rd

Enclosures One Del. R. Rao for No. 2.

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SUBJECT.

Requesting Govt. to grant
him casual leave immediately
on account of his son's marriage
on the 25th instant at Bangalore.

Order

Lodges with wife
Aleprais

by
28/5/98

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I G.O. misc no 2202 and
2206 Rev: dy 21st
May 1898

II Telegrams from M.R.R.
T. Ranga Rao, Dep^y Collector
Cuddapah dy 22nd and 23rd
May 1898 (cu^y 3713 & 3714)

Note

In accordance with
the orders contained in the
notes stitched with the G.O.
marked I above, M.R.R. T.
Ranga Rao was on Satur-
day last informed by wire

(1) that his privilege leave
could not be sanctioned until
he was relieved charge of the
Sub Collectorship,

(2) that (if he wanted to
attend his son's marriage)
he should apply to the Coll^r
~~for privilege~~ casual leave and

(3) that the Govt could
not consider representations
not submitted thro' the
Collector.

2. Two urgent telegrams
sent

23/5/98.
27/5/98.
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since received from MRB.
Ranga Rao on the above
subject are now submitted
for orders. In these he
represents

(1) that the Collector "unnecessarily"
(refuses to grant him casual
leave

(2) that his presence
at his son's marriage at
Bangalore on the 25th inst
is religiously necessary. "Otherwise, great loss."

~~(3) that the postponement
of the marriage would result
in great loss of money and~~

(3) that there is already
the Treasury Deputy Collector
at Cuddapah with first
class powers, he may be
temporarily relieved and given
casual leave from today.

3. Ranga Rao's
first leave application was
made long before he was
ordered to be charged placed
in charge of the Sub Collectorate.
It is not clear what objection
is raised in having to granting
him

sign
will

him casual leave or why he
has not yet been placed in
charge of the Sub Collectorate.
As the matter seems to be
really urgent orders are solicited
as to what should be done.
The Collector is reported to be
at a non-telegraphic hill
station at Horslykounde

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4. In the notes
stitched with G.O. misc no 2206
Rev. the Hon Mr Grose re-
marked that he would like to
see the Order under which the
Collector could decline to grant
full joining time to officers posted
from one place to another. It
has been ascertained from
the Public Dept. (Chief Asst)
that there is no express order
on the subject but that the
Govt has been acting on the
supposition that joining time
is subject to the exigencies
of the service and in really
urgent cases declining to
sanction in the case of
covenanted officers anything
but

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but the actual time required for joining an appointment.

WMM
23.V.98

Secy

There seems

to be no objection to the grant of casual leave except the fact which the Dy Collector himself reports, viz. that that the Collector refuses it. Were the Collector a senior

Officer Govt. could be assured that the leave was refused on adequate grounds. But Mr Thornton has the reputation (at least events) of acting erratically on occasion & it seems doubtful whether Govt. any harm would be done to the cause of discipline if Govt. intervened.

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23.V.98

It is a dangerous precedent for Govt. to interfere between the Dy. Collector & Mr Thornton. Govt. cannot grant casual

as it is not leave recognized by the Dy. Collector. Casual leave is leave given by the Dy. Collector & Govt. cannot make for the Dy. Collector's sake.

Casual leave is not recognized & is not subject to any rule. As the Secy says, it is a dangerous thing to interfere between a Col. & a Dy. Col. But in this case the circumstances are very exceptional in all points, & I think it best that we should tell the Dy. Col. that he may have the usual period of casual leave.

The Col. said in his letter that this has been done, and added to express the circumstances under which, as Govt. are informed, the leave was refused.

WMM
23/5/98

* This has issued as the wedding is near 25th

~~attach loose slips till after wedding to the Dy. Col. as per sheet as requested by Secy~~

Secy

Draft telegram to the Dy. Collector & Collector & a draft D.O. to Mr Thornton are submitted below.

WMM
23/5/98

Secy
Done the 20th
WMM

Telegram
To Mr R T Ranga Rao.
Mr D. W. M.
Cuddapah

You may take five days
casual leave ^{in absence of Mr D. W. M.} as requested
Inform Treasury Deputy.
Mk
23.5.98

Telegram to
Collector Cuddapah

Ranga Rao ~~Mr D. W. M.~~
Deputy Collector
allowed to take five
days casual leave
Letter follows.

Mk
23.5.98

No. ⁵⁷/₂₇₋₅₋₉₈
My dear Thornton.
Ranga Rao
you & Mr D. W. M. (later
appd to charge of
Int Collectorate) wired
to Govt asking for

Urgent private

Since this
is new day
on Wednesday

Deferred

herpd
27/5/98

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herpd
27/5/98

Note

Before the telegram and the D.O. passed yesterday could be issued to the Collector of Cuddapah, the accompanying report from that officer bringing to notice the insubordinate conduct of Mr. T. Ranga Rao was received in the office.

2. From this report it appears

(1) that when on the 16th inst ~~at~~ Mr. Vaughan for public reasons telegraphed to Ranga Rao to take charge of the Sub Collectorate on the 19th ^{apparently at Cuddapah} the latter asked for joining time and also for permission to take such charge at Madanapalle.

(2) that when this was refused and Mr. Thornton went over to Cuddapah on the 19th morning, Ranga Rao sent him a letter from Kamalapuram (15 miles away from Cuddapah) and

no. 3780 JES

five days casual leave to attend his sons marriage at Bangalore. He ~~stated~~ that you had previously refused the leave was directed to apply to you. He thereupon applied again stating that you were at Horsleykonda inaccessible to the telegraph and that the marriage was fixed for the 25th inst. He ~~added~~ ^{stated} however that you had previously refused ~~the~~ ^{leave} leave.

In the special circumstances of the case, the Govt resolved to allow the Dy. Collector to take five days casual leave in lieu of holidays & he was informed accordingly direct.

Your letter Ref no 559 JES & 20 May 58 has since been received & will be disposed of separately.

~~As instructed~~ I am directed to report ~~that you will let that you will inform~~ the circumstances in which ~~you refused the leave~~ the leave was refused. This Dy. Collector left and gave ~~the~~ ^{the} Govt. Secy.

in subordinate conduct as his
for merits very severe notice.

3. Orders are
solicited as to whether before
the report is considered, Mr
Shornton should not be asked
to ~~explain~~ obtain ^{M.R.} Ranga
Rao's explanation and submit
it to fort thro' the Board of
Rev: The present report it
will be seen is dated the 20th
inst while the ^{telegram} ~~order~~ asking
M.R. Ranga Rao to apply
for casual leave was issued
only on the 21st inst. The
~~deferred~~ telegram to Mr
and B.O. to Mr Shornton, which
have already been approved and
which entirely relate to the leave
may perhaps be therefore issued.

It is understood that
there is some magisterial
case, now under consideration in the Fort Depty,
in which M.R. Ranga
Rao's conduct was
found to be unsatisfactory

See the telegram to Mr
Mulla & Co. on pp. 7 & 8
above P.D., submit issue
at once. With regard to
the present communication

The Secy agrees. Some other case:
16/5/98

Yes
28/5/98

from Mr Thornton
(on no 8780 of 98)
it is submitted that
the Mulla may
be asked to take
the D's Mulla's
Explanation and
forward it thro'
the Bd of Rev.

If Secy approves
of above. a draft
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which may go to
Judicial to see before
issue with reference
to the C.S.'s note
attached.

Mulla
26/5/98

A.L.

Submit that the D's
Explanation be obtained and
submitted within 10 days
the date when the papers will
be transferred to the Judicial
In disposal with some other
Mulla pending them of Mr.

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See please see draft on docket
16/5/98

a railway station) stating that he was engaged there in an important enquiry and could not come.

(3) that Mr Thornton then telegraphed to him to come and relieve him before that night and waited for his arrival at the Railway Staff Quarters bungalow near the station, that he actually came by the next train and though Mr Thornton sent a special person to request him to come over and take charge immediately, he offered some petty excuses and would not come for a long time ^(i.e. for more than half an hour) after the arrival of the train.

(4) that Mr Thornton then left the bungalow and Ranga Rao appears to have subsequently come and, after ascertaining from the Sub-Collector's Clerk that the box containing the property relating to Criminal cases was not brought from Madanapalle,

to have gone home remarking that he was tired and that the transfer would not be complete without the box.

(5) that at 6.30 P.M. on the same day Mr Thornton in consultation with Mr Vaughan sent a D.O. and subsequently an official letter to Ranga Rao to hand over charge of the head quarters division ^{and take charge of the Sub-Collectorate} to Privatsanka Rao, before 9 P.M. that day but that these letters Ranga Rao coolly ignored and

(6) that ^(Mr Thornton) he has in these circumstances ~~was~~ placed Privatsanka Rao in charge of the Sub-Collectorate in anticipation of the approval of Govt. Mr Thornton adds that Mr Privatsanka Rao is in his own opinion and in the opinion of Messrs Tate and Vaughan ^{charge of the} much the better man for the Sub-Collectorate, that Ranga Rao works both as a Revenue and Magisterial Officer is unsatisfactory, and that such ^{is} insubordinate

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which entirely relate to the leave
may perhaps be therefore issued.

^{WMM}
26.5.98 It is understood that
there is some material
now under consideration in
case, in which mdd. Ranga
Rao's conduct was
found to be unsatisfactory

See the telegram to the
Mcln & Co. on pp. 748
above P.W., submit issue
at once. With regard to
the present communication

The Secy agrees. Some time since
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22.5.98

Yes
28/5/98

from Mr Thornton
(can no 8780 of 98)
it is submitted that
the Collectr may
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Judicial to see before
issue with reference
to the C.S.'s note
attached.

WMM
26.5.98

A.L.

27.5.98 Submit that the Secy
Explanations the Secy obtained and
submitted within 10 days, then
the Colr? when the papers will
be transferred to the Judicial
for disposal with some other
matters pending there of? him.

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Secy please see 28/5/98
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NOTE FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY.

Col. J. Kinga
the son of
J. Madhava Rao.
or what
family does he
belong to.

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He is a son of
the late Sir J. Madhava
Rao.
26.5.98: 26.5.98

NOTE FOR THE C.S.

Please see his reply
attached.

It is understood that
some reports against his
brother have recently
been received in Revenue.
Orders are requested whether
they should be called for
for perusal, or whether
his judicial title may be
his Revenue.

AK
26/5/98 Ask for
them &
we can tell
after seeing them.
what to do.

MA 26.5.98

Submitted - the papers were
sent to me this noon.

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Read again the following telegrams, dated 27th May

1898

(1) to M.R.R. T. Ranga Rao, Deputy Collector Cuddapah:-

You may take five days' casual leave inclusive
holidays. Inform Treasury Deputy.

(2) to the Collector of Cuddapah:-

Ranga Rao Deputy Collector allowed to take five
days' casual leave. Letter follows.

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Tele. No. 11/11/98

Secy
No. 1099 of 11.7.98

*S. Order. The fully telegram
will be sent to the collector of Cuddapah:
"Rangarao's leave"*

*cannot be sanctioned
pending orders on
his explanation"*

HRK
11.7.98
11/7/8

Del. From
The Collector of Cuddapah.

No.
deferred
State
Dated 11 July
Received 11 "
Registered 11 "
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SUBJECT.

File.
*The file are now with the Secy
in C. Box No 5.*

*Requesting orders by wire
about Rangarao's leave.
* This fill in, please*

HRK
11.7.98

H.C.
11.7.98

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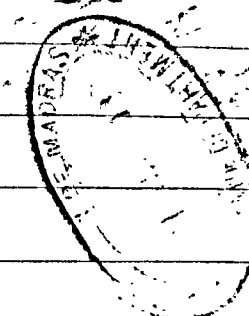
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