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Revenue (1898) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Agreeing with the Board of Revenue in Considering
that Prosecuting Drugs Rules should
be enforced in the Upper and Lower Provinces

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GOVT. OF MADRAS
7 MAY 98
REVENUE DEPARTMENT

From
The Secretary to the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue, Madras.

Order Mis. No. 2364 of 3.5.98

The Govt. agrees with the Bd and offers

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To the Board of Rev (S.R.) (From Secy's order)

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SUBJECT.

Reporting to Government that the Board is unable to support the recommendation of the Collector of Malabar that the Wynaad taluk should be exempted from the operation of the Intoxicating Drugs Rules.

Quantities of Ganja brought from Wynaad to the different Taluks.

Taluks	1897-98 Seers	Tolas	1896-97 Seers	Tolas	1895-96 Seers	Tolas	1894-95 Seers	Tolas	1893-94 Seers	Tolas	Amsams where brought.
Chirakkal	"	"	267	17	278	8	183	22	Figures not given.		Purchased from Cultivators in Wynaad and not from Hyposo or Goovy Names of Cultivators not known.
Kottayam	"	"	376	69	190	52	13	-	10	-	Muppinad and 3 other amsams.
Kurumbranad	"	"	50 lbs brought during the past 4 years.								Kuppatod, Kartickalam, Tolpatti, Meppadi and Chalipuzha.
Calicut	141	31	172	7¾	170	"	171	22	Figures not given.		Was brought from Wynaad alone, places not known except in one case which was Kottathara amsam.
Ernad	"	"	No Ganja was brought from Wynaad.								
Walluvanad	"	"			Do		Do				
Palghat	"	"			Do		Do				
Ponnani	"	"			Do		Do				
Cochin	"	"			Do		Do				

Malabar Collector's office
Calicut 28th April 1898.

(Sgnd) J. H. Garrow.
For Collector.

(True copy)

C Rau Menon
Asst: Asst Secretary

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE MADRAS

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue).

Dated 10th May 1898.

No. 2011.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar No.80-/Rev of 98, dated 28th April 1898:-

"In reply to Board's Proceedings Mis. No.6716, dated 24th December 1897, I have the honor to state that I was wrong in thinking that ganja in the Wynaad was only grown for home consumption. The bulk of it is, but some is also exported to the plains, as shown in the enclosed statement.

2. At the same time I still adhere to my recommendation that the growth of ganja for private consumption should be permitted in the Wynaad. There would be very little difficulty in controlling the exports. The licensed shop-keepers could easily be detected if they smuggled Wynaad ganja. If any one else did so to an appreciable extent the licensed shop-keepers would soon get to know of it. I do not however think that there would be any systematic exportation of ganja for sale, if it was generally made known in the Wynaad that export was forbidden, and that breaking of the rules would be severely dealt with.

3. The revenue at present obtained from the sale of ganja in Malabar is trifling, and I do not think it would be seriously affected by allowing the dwellers in Wynaad to grow their own ganja. On the other hand there can be no question that if the prohibition is enforced, we shall be adding seriously to the burdens of the residents in that fever-stricken tract."

Resolution -

Resolution.

Submitted to Government with reference to Government Order No.6468, dated 17th December 1897. In the circumstances now reported the Board regrets that it is unable to support the Collector's recommendation that the Wynaad talur should be exempted from the operation of the Intoxicating Drugs rules. The reasons adduced in favour of the concession are equally applicable to other places. The danger of smuggling would evidently be very great.

2. Should Government agree with the Board in considering that the rules must be enforced, the Collector will be instructed, in making the decision known, to arrange for the opening of a sufficient number of shops to supply the taluk. The Board observes that there are no ganja shops in the Wynaad at present.

(True copy and extract)

Kim Hurley
23.5.98
Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

23/5/98

B.P. No 2044 Mis dated 16-5-98. (G.O. No 3852.)

To Secy

Please see the notes under G.O. No 6468 dated 17-12-97. The Collr of Malabar stated that the hemp plant was grown in the Wynaad taluk almost wholly for domestic consumption and recommended the exclusion of the taluk from the operation of the Intoxicating drug rules. The Board of Rev called for a full report on the subject and suggested that pending the receipt of the report, the rules might be held in abeyance. This proposal was approved by the H. Govt, and the Board were informed accordingly.

2. The Collr's report has been received, from which it appears that the bulk of the ganja is used for home consumption and that the remainder is exported to the plains. In these circumstances the Board is unable to recommend the exemption of the taluk. It is presumed that the Board's views may be accepted, which is in accordance with the two following observations of the Govt: "I doubt "much whether a whole taluk or other part of "country should be formally exempted. It is a "different thing to shut one's eyes to the occasional "cultivation of a few plants in a backyard."

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To Secy

Please see a draft order on the docket sheet of the connected.

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vide page 10 under
G.O 6468
17-12-97

This need not be sent to the H. Govt at present. The Govt's view after Exemption which is pending when the Wynaad taluk may be approved.

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