Revenue (Forest) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 295-95A

Dated 20th May

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest

The draft notification under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Rapur-Veligonda Extension C block, in the Rapur block, as a ——, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Nellore Dt.-Gazettes.

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From The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Land Revenue Madras.

Order No. 2956 / 20th May 1898.

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

2. The ~~Board's proposals with~~ instructions in paras 2 ~~and~~ to 11 of the Board's Proc. are approved.

~~meet with the approval of Govt.~~

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Forest No. 140.

Dated 15th April 1898

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SUBJECT.

Subg to govt for approval to draft notification under Sec. 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Rajpur Pelgondla Extension C in the Rajpur Taluk Nellore Dist. as a reserved forest.

To the Board. L.R. with plan
" " Supdt. G.P. with Notifn. 24/5/98 10.6.98

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Note.

Para 2 of the draft order is submitted with reference to the Board's recommendation that the ryots should be given the privilege of using the cart-tracks from Yeperu to Mannadikonda (claim 4/2) and of entering the reserve for the purpose of repairing Mallaya gunta which is a source of supply to their tanks (claims 1/5 & 3/9)

2. The notification under section 4 was approved in G.O. 55, d/ 4.2.96.

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Number one of Gundalola volume
a straight line in a
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said forest about 42 1/2
chains Southwest Corner of

~~Grant Boundary: of the~~
~~Grant is Explanatory~~
~~Gundalola and Kalika Reserve~~
~~Reserve Zamindary Limits~~
~~Southwesterly direction~~
~~to Kalika Boundary~~
~~and Northern Boundary~~
~~Eastern boundary of the~~
~~said Forest Reserve~~
~~to about 35 chains~~
~~a Jungle Stream~~
~~Reserve.~~
~~Note: — When the~~
~~Gundalola is in the main~~
~~Reserve; then the main~~
~~is the western one~~
~~then the main and~~
~~is 2 chains about 12~~
~~chains the Gundalola~~
~~Reserve enters the~~
~~line due South~~
~~chains; then a little~~

Corner of Survey No. 341 of Gundalola and running East Southeast for about 5 furlongs leaves it about 28 chains north of the Northwest Corner of Survey No. 3387 Gundalola.

(1) Cart track from Gundalola to Kamidikona is 2 links wide 5 yards: — This enters the reserve about 28 chains South of the northwest Corner of Survey No. 339 of Gundalola and running West Southwest for about 1/2 miles and crossing the Cart track No. 1 supra, leaves it into the Kapur Vetigonda reserved forest block A.

Note: — When the Gundalola tank is full it enters the reserve first at the northwest Corner of Survey No. 338 of Gundalola and running South West for about 28 links leaves it West of the northeast Corner of Survey No. 33

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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 189 . the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the Schedule appended to this Notification shall be constituted "Reserved Forest."

District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	Boundaries.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
			North: — Commencing from the northwest corner of Survey No 338 of Gundadoddi (Yemuguntapalli Cairn) the west rights of way are all the land lying on both sides of that number to its south west corner a Cairn; thence due South a Straight line to the South east Corner of Survey No 380; then a Straight line due East to the Southeast Corner of Survey No 351 and thence due East to the Northeast Corner of Survey No 341; then a Straight line in a Northeasterly direction to Cairn No 1 about 35 chains due South of the Southwest Corner of Gyurimmadapudi, Akkivaddara and Gundandlu villages.	the following p Yeguntapalli Cairn) the west rights of way are all the land lying on both sides of that number to its south west Corner a Cairn; thence due East to a Straight line to the South east Corner of Survey No 380; then a Straight line due East to the Southeast Corner of Survey No 351 and thence due East to the Northeast Corner of Survey No 341; then a Straight line in a Northeasterly direction to Cairn No 1 about 35 chains due South of the Southwest Corner of Gyurimmadapudi, Akkivaddara and Gundandlu villages.
			East: — Thence a Straight line in a Southerly direction to the Northwest Corner of Survey No 338; then the west side of that number to the Northeast Corner of Survey No 339; then the North and West Sides of that number to a Cairn about 12 chains North of the point where the East Yeguntapalli Gundandlu Yeguntapalli Cart track enters the Extension of then a Straight line due West for about 2 chains to a Cairn; then a Straight line due South for about 10 chains to a Cairn; then a Straight line due East for about 2 chains to a Cairn on the West side of Survey No 1	Southeast Corner of Gundandlu and South for about 1 m furlong and Cross Cart track No 3 in leaves it about 38 ch north of the South Corner of Survey No Gundandlu. (ii) Clear track 5 ya wide from Yeguntapalli to Gundandlu This enters the reserv about 8½ chains no east of the Southeast Cai

No 339; then the next side
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the Kakulakonda reserve
Chains Southmere of the
Survey No 194 of Yepuru.

South:— Thence along the said reserve
Kakulakonda reserved
for the Rapur Zamindari
Government village
to the Southmere Corner
No 339; Thence the
Kakulakonda reserve
Southerly direction to the
Chains Southmere of the
Survey No 194 of Yepuru.

of the same village.

(iv) The cart track from Yepuru to Rangili Zamindari village to a width of 5 yards:— This enters the reserve about 2 chains north of the Southeast Corner of the reserve and running in a westerly direction for about 1 mile 5 furlongs, leaves the reserve at the trijunction of the Yepuru Hill Rapur Government village with the Rangili Zamindari village.

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District Forest Officer

E.A. Smith
Forest Settlement Officer

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare under the provisions of section 16 of the Madras Forest Act (V of 1882), that, from the ; 1898, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted "reserved forest".

SCHEDULE.

District	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Nellore.	Rapur ..	Rapur-Veligonda Extension C.	*North.*—Starting from the north-west corner of survey No. 388 of Gundavolu (Yenuguntapalli tank) the west and south sides of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 351 and on to the south-east corner of survey No. 341; then a straight line in a north-easterly direction to cairn No. 1 about thirty-five chains due south of the trijunction of Gurivindapudi, Akilavalasa and Gundavolu villages. *East.*—Then a straight line in a southerly direction to the north-west corner of survey No. 339; then the north and west sides of that number to the north-east corner of survey No. 338; then the west side of that number to a cairn about twelve chains north of the point where the Yepuru-Yenuguntapalli cart-track enters the extension; then a straight line due west for about two chains to a cairn; then a straight line due south for about ten chains to a cairn; then a straight line due east for about two chains to a cairn on the west side of survey No. 339; then the west side of that number to its south-west corner (all the above numbers are of Gundavolu); then a straight line in a southerly direction to the northern boundary of the Kakulakonda reserved forest about forty-two and a half chains south-west of the south-west corner of survey No. 194 of Yepuru. *South.*—Then the northern boundary of the Kakulakonda reserved forest up to the trijunction of the Rapur-Yepuru Government villages with the Pangili zamindari village; thence in a west-south-westerly direction for about eight and a half chains to the north-west corner of Botha Bodu. *West.*—Then the eastern boundary of the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest block A to the starting point.

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

(i) The cart-track from Yepuru to Penchalkona *vid* Yenuguntapalli to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about seven chains west of the south-east corner of No. 351 of Gundavolu and running south for about one mile one furlong and crossing the cart-track No. 3 *infra* leaves it about thirty-eight chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu.

(ii) Cart-track five yards wide from Yenuguntapalli to Gundavolu. This enters the reserve about eight and a half chains north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 341 of Gundavolu and running east-south-east for about five furlongs, leaves it about twenty-eight chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 338 of Gundavolu.

(iii) Cart-track from Gundavolu to Mamidikona to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about twenty-eight chains south of the north-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu and running west-south-west for about one and a half miles and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves it into the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest block A.

Note.—When the Gundavolu tank is full, it enters the reserve first at the north-west corner of survey No. 338 of Gundavolu and running south-west for about twenty links, leaves it west of the north-east corner of survey No. 339 of the same village.

(iv) The cart-track from Yepuru to Pangili zamindari village to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about twenty six chains north of the south-east corner of the reserve and running in a westerly direction for about one mile five furlongs, leaves the reserve at the trijunction of the Yepuru and Rapur Government villages with the Pangili zamindari village.

(Signed) F. FOULKES,
District Forest-officer.

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

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed April th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 140, 15th April 1898.

APRIL.

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 Rapur-Veligonda Extension C in the Rapur taluk, Nellore district, as a reserved forest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(LAND REVENUE).

READ—the following letter from E. SCOTT, Esq., Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle), dated 30th December 1897, No. 1184-For. :—

I have the honour to enclose copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter, No. 108, dated 27th September 1897, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Rapur-Veligonda extension C and to request that Government may be moved to issue notification under section 16 therefor.

2. The claim register, draft notification, area statement, sketch-map and numerical statement of claims are enclosed.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector, on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., districts, to the Collector of Nellore (through the District Forest-officer, Nellore), dated Camp, Somindapalli, 27th September 1897, Ref. No. 108-Cur. :—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Rapur-Veligonda extension C block, in the Rapur taluk of your district.

2. The initial notification under section 4 of the Madras Forest Act proposing to constitute this area into a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 11th February 189-, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of May 1896.

3. The block was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by me in April 1897 and nine claims were preferred for the following rights :—

(i) Two claims to a right to repair Mallayacheruvu.
(ii) Six claims to rights of way.
(iii) One claim to a right to use the camping ground called Sullivendra.

The claims to a right to repair Mallayacheruvu involved in item No. 1 were rejected as unnecessary. Of the six claims to rights of way, four claims were admitted and the remaining two claims were rejected as unnecessary. The claim to a right to use the camping ground involved in item No. 3 was admitted, and the camping ground has been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. The alteration of the boundary at the north-east corner of the reserve was made with the approval of the District Forest-officer for the purpose of straightening the boundary and thus excluding a portion of the reserve which enclosed the village of Gundavolu on its north side.

4. At my inspection of this block the ryots of Gundavolu complained that, as the lands of their village were already included in three reserves, they feared they would be required to pay for grazing in a fourth reserve if this also is finally settled. Probably this will be treated as one with the main Veligonda reserve, if not, I think, it will be an hardship to the people if they are required to take out separate licenses for the main reserve and its extension, for during the rainy months it is dangerous for cattle to grace on the Veligondas, where they are liable to slip and fall.

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

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

(i) A signed copy of the B register of claims.
(ii) The draft notification under section 16.
(iii) The sketch-map of the reserve.
(iv) The numerical statement of claims received and disposed of.

7. The date from which reservation is to take effect has to be inserted in the draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

B Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Rapur-Veligonda Extension C reserved forest, Rapur taluk, Nellore district.

No.	Names of claimants.	Date of presentation of claims.	Nature and extent of claims preferred.	Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of claims.	Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him.	Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 5	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	26th April 1897.	Claims on behalf of the ryots of Gundavolu right to enter the reserve for the purpose of repairing Mallaya gunta which feeds the Gundavolu tank with a right to take earth from the reserve for repairing the same.	This is a Government ruined tank and is situated for the most part in the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest A block. A portion of the tank lies within this extension.	This cannot be admitted as a right, as the tank is not a private tank.	As this is a Government tank, the claim to repair it is not admitted as a right; and it is unnecessary to admit it as a privilege for the performance of the usual kudimaramat could always be arranged for by the Tahsildar. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
2 9	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots of Yenuguntapalli right to enter the reserve for the purpose of repairing Mallaya cheruvu which is a source of supply to their tank with a right to use earth from the adjacent land for the repair of the tank.	This enters the reserve, about twenty-six chains north of the south-east corner of the reserve and running in a westerly direction for about one mile, five furlongs, leaves it at the trijunction of the Yepuru and Rapur Government villages with the Pangali zemindari village.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards.' (Signed) E. A. SMITH. Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
3 1	Penuballi Ramiah, karnam of Yepuru.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to the Pangali zemindari.	....	This cart-tract was not admitted in the Veligonda reserve and so cannot be admitted now.	Claim rejected, the cart-track not having been admitted in the main reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
4 2	Penuballi Ramiah, karnam of Yepuru.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to Mamadikona.	....	....	....
5 3	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Gundavolu to Gonupalli.	....	Need not be considered owing to a proposed alteration of boundary.	Claim rejected as unnecessary owing to an alteration of the boundary of the reserve by which this foot-path has been excluded. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.

Claim 3.—Marked as I (iv) in the draft notification and map.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Rapur-Veligonda Extension C reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

No.	Names of claimants.	Date of presentation of claims.	Nature and extent of claims preferred.	Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of claims.	Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him.	Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6 4.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	26th April 1897.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Gundavolu to Yenuguntapalli.	This enters the reserve, about eight and a half chains north-east of the south-east corner of No. 341 of Gundavolu and running south-east for about five furlongs, leaves it about twenty-eight chains north of the north-west corner of No. 338 of Gundavolu.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th July 1897.
7 6.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Gundavolu to Mallayakona or Mamidikona.	Admitted in main reserve. It enters this reserve about twenty-eight chains south of the north-west corner of No. 339 of Gundavolu and running west-south-west for about one and a half miles and crossing the cart-track in claim No. 8—7, leaves it into the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest Block A, when the Gundavolu tank is full, it enters the reserve first at the north-west corner of No. 338 of Gundavolu and running south-west for about twenty links, leaves it west of the north-east corner of No. 339 of the same village.	This may be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th July 1897.
8 7.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to Penchalkona *vid* Yenuguntapalli.	This enters the reserve about seven chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 351 of Gundavolu and running south for about one mile, one furlong, and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 7—6, leaves it about thirty-eight chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th July 1897.
9 8.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right to use the camping ground called Sullivendra on the Yepuru-Penchalakona cart-tract on its east side at the point where it enters the reserve from survey No. 339 with a right to light fires thereon for cooking purposes.	He also says that the old sheds occupy a space of about fifty cents and the total extent of the camping ground is about 2 acres.	This may be excluded from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary with two acres around it as follows:— *South.*—Starting from cairn No. 1 on the west side of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu, two chains north of the point where the Yepuru-Yenuguntapalli cart-track enters the extension, a straight line due west to cairn No. 2 at a distance of about two chains west. Then a straight line due north at a distance of ten chains to cairn No. 3 north. Then a straight line due east at a distance of two chains to cairn No. 4 on the west side of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu east. Then the said western side of survey No. 339 southwards to the starting point.	Claim admitted. The camping ground will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve as proposed by the District Forest-officer. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 17th July 1897.

Claim 6.—Marked as I (ii) in the Draft notification and map. *Claim* 7.—Marked as I (iii) in the Draft notification and map. *Claim* 8.—Marked as I (i) in the Draft notification and map.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Rapur-Veligonda extension C.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government occupied and unoccupied.		Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 4.	Character of the land proposed for reservation.		
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.
Rapur	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. * 94,688	ACS. 16,260	..	ACS. Rapur-Veligonda extension C. 2,450	ACS. 1,650	ACS. 800

* Includes 1,730 acres subsequently notified.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of block.	Claims to patta and inam lands.						Claims to rights of way.			Claims to shrines or temples and rights of way to them.			Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
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Rapur-Veligonda extension C	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	4	2	..	..	..	3	1	2	9	5	4

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 8th January 1898, No. 1173.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 140, dated 15th April 1898.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication of the draft final notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 31st August 1898 being recommended as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. *Claim No.* ½.—The cart-track claimed has been disallowed on the ground that it has not been admitted in the main reserve. The reason for the rejection of the claim does not seem sufficient. If the path is actually necessary for the use of the villagers, it should be granted by a departmental order in this as well as in the main reserve.

3. The special attention of the Collector is drawn to paragraph 4 of the Settlement-officer's report and he is requested to see that no hardship is caused to the villagers by the final reservation of the block.

4. *Claims Nos.* ⅛ *and* ⅔.—The Forest Settlement-officer considers it unnecessary to concede the right to repair the Mallayagunta (tank) as the performance of the usual kudimaramat could always be arranged for by the Tahsildar. As the tank is in a forest reserve, the Board considers it better to grant the usual concession by a departmental order.

5. The block covers an area of 2,450 acres as finally settled.

(True Copies and Extract.) Lionel Davidson

Acting Secretary.

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

Exd. A. F. Ecclestan.

Government {1898} of Madras.

REVENUE.

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G.O., Nos. 295, 295A, 20th May 1898.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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1 / 6.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	26th April 1897.	Claims on behalf of the ryots of Gundavolu right to enter the reserve for the purpose of repairing Mallaya gunta which feeds the Gundavolu tank with a right to take earth from the reserve for repairing the same.	This is a Government tank, the claim to repair it is not admitted as a right; and it is unnecessary to admit it as a privilege for the performance of the usual kudimaramat could always be arranged for by the Tahsildar.	This cannot be admitted as a right, as the tank is not a private tank.	As this is a Government tank, the claim to repair it is not admitted as a right; and it is unnecessary to admit it as a privilege for the performance of the usual kudimaramat could always be arranged for by the Tahsildar. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
2 / 9.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots of Yenagutapalli right to enter the reserve for the purpose of repairing Mallaya cheruvu which is a source of supply to their tank with a right to use earth from the adjacent land for the repair of the tank.	This enters the reserve, about twenty-six chains north of the south-east corner of the reserve and running in a westerly direction for about one mile, five furlongs, leaves it at the trijunction of the Yepuru and Rapur Government villages with the Pangali zemindari village.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
3 / 1.	Penuballi Ramiah, karnam of Yepuru.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to the Pangali zemindari.	....	This cart-tract was not admitted in the Veligonda reserve and so cannot be admitted now.	Claim rejected, the cart-track not having been admitted in the main reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.
4 / 2.	Penuballi Ramiah, karnam of Yepuru.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to Bismadikona.	....	....	....
6 / 3.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Gundavolu to Gonupalli.	....	Need not be considered owing to a proposed alteration of boundary.	Claim rejected as unnecessary owing to an alteration of the boundary of the reserve by which this foot-path has been excluded. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 15th July 1897.

Claim 3.—Marked as I (iv) in the draft notification and map.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Rapur-Veligonda Extension C reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

No.	Names of claimants.	Date of presentation of claims.	Nature and extent of claims preferred.	Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of claims.	Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him.	Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6 / 4.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	26th April 1897.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Gundavolu to Yenuguntapalli.	This enters the reserve, about eight and a half chains north-east of the south-east corner of No. 341 of Gundavolu and running east-south-east for about five furlongs, it about twenty-eight chains north of the north-west corner of No. 338 of Gundavolu. Admitted in main reserve. It enters this reserve about twenty-eight chains south of the north-west corner of No. 339 of Gundavolu and running west-south-west for about one and a half miles and crossing the cart-track in claim No. 8—7, leaves it into the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest Block A. When the Gundavolu tank is full it enters the reserve first at the north-west corner of No. 338 of Gundavolu and running south-west for about twenty links, leaves it west of the north-east corner of No. 339 of the same village.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th July 1897. Forest Sett.-officer.
7 / 6.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Gundavolu to Mallayakona or Mamidikona.		This may be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th July 1897. Forest Sett.-officer.
8 / 7.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Yepuru to Penchalkona *vid* Yenuguntapalli.	This enters the reserve about seven chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 351 of Gundavolu and running south for about one mile, one furlong, and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 7—6, leaves it about thirty-eight chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu.	May be admitted to a width of five yards.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th July 1897. Forest Sett.-officer.
9 / 8.	Dugamati Nagiah, karnam of Gundavolu.	Do. ..	Claims on behalf of the public right to use the camping ground called Sullivendra on the Yepuru-Penchalakona cart-tract on its east side at the point where it enters the reserve from survey No. 339 with a right to light fires thereon for cooking purposes.	He also says that the old sheds occupy a space of about fifty cents and the total extent of the camping ground is about 2 acres.	This may be excluded from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary with two acres around it as follows:— *South.*—Starting from cairn No. 1 on the west side of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu, two chains north of the point where the Yepuru-Yenuguntapalli cart-track enters the extension, a straight line due west to cairn No. 2 at a distance of about two chains west. Then a straight line due north at a distance of ten chains to cairn No. 3 north. Then a straight line due east at a distance of two chains to cairn No. 4 on the west side of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu east. Then the said western side of survey No. 339 southwards to the starting point.	Claim admitted. The camping ground will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve as proposed by the District Forest-officer. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th July 1897. Forest Sett.-officer.

Claim 6.—Marked as I (ii) in the Draft notification and map. *Claim* 7.—Marked as I (iii) in the Draft notification and map. *Claim* 8.—Marked as I (i) in the Draft notification and map.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Rapur-Veligonda extension C.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government occupied and unoccupied.		Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 4.	Character of the land proposed for reservation.		
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.
Rapur	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. * 94,688	ACS. 16,260	.	Rapur-Veligonda extension C. ACS. 2,450	ACS. 1,650	ACS. 800

* Includes 1,730 acres subsequently notified.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of block.	Claims to patta and inam lands.						Claims to rights of way.		Claims to shrines or temples and rights of way to them.		Miscellaneous claims.		Total of all claims.	
	Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.									
	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rapur-Veligonda extension C	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	4	2	..	..	..	3	1	2	9	5	4

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 8th January 1898, No. 1173.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 140, dated 15th April 1898.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication of the draft final notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 31st August 1898 being recommended as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. *Claim No.* ½.—The cart-track claimed has been disallowed on the ground that it has not been admitted in the main reserve. The reason for the rejection of the claim does not seem sufficient. If the path is actually necessary for the use of the villagers, it should be granted by a departmental order in this as well as in the main reserve.

3. The special attention of the Collector is drawn to paragraph 4 of the Settlement-officer's report and he is requested to see that no hardship is caused to the villagers by the final reservation of the block.

4. *Claims Nos.* $\frac{1}{5}$ *and* $\frac{2}{5}$.—The Forest Settlement-officer considers it unnecessary to concede the right to repair the Mallayagunta (tank) as the performance of the usual kudimaramat could always be arranged for by the Tahsildar. As the tank is in a forest reserve, the Board considers it better to grant the usual concession by a departmental order.

5. The block covers an area of 2,450 acres as finally settled.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
Acting 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. 295, Revenue, dated 20th May 1898.

Forest No. 81.

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

2. The instructions in paragraphs 2 to 4 of the Board's Proceedings are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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

Endorsement No. 295A.

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

(Signed) N. E. MARJORIBANKS,
Ag. Under 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 August 1898, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted "reserved forest".

Schedule.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Nellore.	Rapur ..	Rapur-Veligonda Extension C.	*North.*—Starting from the north-west corner of survey No. 388 of Gundavolu (Yenuguntapalli tank) the west and south sides of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 380; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 351 and on to the south-east corner of survey No. 341; then a straight line in a north-easterly direction to cairn No. 1 about thirty-five chains due south of the trijunction of Gurivindapudi, Akilavalasa and Gundavolu villages. *East.*—Then a straight line in a southerly direction to the north-west corner of survey No. 338; then the west side of that number to the north-east corner of survey No. 339; then the north and west sides of that number to a cairn about twelve chains north of the point where the Yepuru-Yenuguntapalli cart-track enters the extension; then a straight line due west for about two chains to a cairn; then a straight line due south for about ten chains to a cairn; then a straight line due east for about two chains to a cairn on the west side of survey No. 339; then the west side of that number to its south-west corner (all the above numbers are of Gundavolu); then a straight line in a southerly direction to the northern boundary of the Kakulakonda reserved forest about forty-two and a half chains south-west of the south-west corner of survey No. 194 of Yepuru. *South.*—Then the northern boundary of the Kakulakonda reserved forest up to the trijunction of the Rapur-Yepuru Government villages with the Pangali zamindari village; thence in a west-south-westerly direction for about eight and a half chains to the north-west corner of Botha Bodu. *West.*—Then the eastern boundary of the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest block A to the starting point.

Remarks.—The following public rights of way are allowed:—

(i) The cart-track from Yepuru to Penchalkona *vid* Yenuguntapalli to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about seven chains west of the south-east corner of No. 351 of Gundavolu and running south for about one mile one furlong and crossing the cart-track No. 3 *infra* leaves it about thirty-eight chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu.

(ii) Cart-track five yards wide from Yenuguntapalli to Gundavolu. This enters the reserve about eight and a half chains north-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 341 of Gundavolu and running east-south-east for about five furlongs, leaves it about twenty-eight chains north of the north-west corner of survey No. 338 of Gundavolu.

(iii) Cart-track from Gundavolu to Mamidikona to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about twenty-eight chains south of the north-west corner of survey No. 339 of Gundavolu and running west-south-west for about one and a half miles and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves it into the Rapur-Veligonda reserved forest block A.

Note.—When the Gundavolu tank is full, it enters the reserve first at the north-west corner of survey No. 338 of Gundavolu and running south-west for about twenty links, leaves it west of the north-east corner of survey No. 339 of the same village.

(iv) The cart-track from Yepuru to Pangali zamindari village to a width of five yards. This enters the reserve about twenty-six chains north of the south-east corner of the reserve and running in a westerly direction for about one mile five furlongs, leaves the reserve at the trijunction of the Yepuru and Rapur Government villages with the Pangili zamindari village.

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