

Revenue (1898) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 328.28 A

Dated 3rd June

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest

The draft Notfy, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Sydapuram blocks A and B extension in the Raper Kaluk as a —, ordered to be published in the For Sh. George and the Nellore Sh. Gazette.

BACK-PAPERS.

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Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 34.34.



From

The Secretary
to the Board of Revenue
Madras

Order No 328 A / 34 June 1898.

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

Forest No. 161.

Dated 28th April 1898.

Received 8 May

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SUBJECT.

Copy to Govt. for approval of
draft notifications under Sec. 16 of the
Madras Forest Act for the constitution
of the Sydapuram blocks A & B ex-
clusions in the Raper Taluk, Nellore
Dist. as reserved forests.

To the Board, L.R. with ^{two} plans
" " Supt. G. P. with notice

Order No 328 A.

Copy to the G. of D. R. & W. Supt.

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BACK PAPERS.

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(Please see page 6 of the order)

Copy sent June 3, 1898

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 ..	Sydapuram Block A extension.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 611 of Sydapuram on the southern boundary of Sydapuram reserved forest block A, that boundary up to its south-east corner on the west side of survey No. 685.</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Then the west sides of that number and of survey Nos. 686 and 687 (all of Sydapuram) and the west side of survey No. 209 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram up to the south-west corner of the last number.</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Then a straight line west-south-west to cairn No. 1 about three and a half chains north of the eighth survey stone on the west side of survey No. 210 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram counting from and including the one at its southernmost corner; then a straight line to the southernmost corner of survey No. 582 of Sydapuram.</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Then the east sides of that number and of survey Nos. 585, 586, 592, 593, 594, 595 and 611 (all of Sydapuram) to the starting point.</p> <p>REMARKS.—The following public rights of way are admitted:—</p> <p>(i) The cart-track from Griddalur to Sydapuram to a width of five yards:— This enters the reserve at its north-east corner and running south-west for about one mile one furlong leaves it about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 586 of Sydapuram.</p> <p>(ii) The foot-path from Sydapuram to Molakalapundla for men only to a width of one yard. This enters the reserve about one chain north of the north-west corner of survey No. 209 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram and running in a south-westerly direction for about one mile leaves it about seventeen and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 582 of Sydapuram.</p>
Do.	Rapur ..	Sydapuram Block B extension.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the south-west corner of survey No. 767 of Sydapuram on the eastern boundary of Sydapuram block B reserved forest, the south sides of survey Nos. 767, 768, 771, 772, 773 and 775 to the north-west corner of survey No. 776; then the west side of that number, the west and south sides of survey No. 777, the west sides of survey Nos. 785 and 786, the west and south sides of survey No. 792, the south side of survey No. 791, the south and east sides of survey No. 790, and the east side of survey No. 789 to the easternmost corner of the last number; then the south side of survey No. 536 up to cairn No. 1, about twenty-three chains west-north-west of the north-west corner of survey No. 528-4.</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Then a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 527; then the west side of that number to its westernmost corner; then a straight line to the north-west corner of survey No. 528-5; then the west sides of that number and of survey No. 528-6 to the south-west corner of the latter number; then the west line to the west side of survey No. 525 where it is intersected by the Rapur-Gudur road; then a straight line to the Rapur-Gudur road up to the south-east corner of the Sydapuram reserved forest block B.</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Then the Rapur-Gudur road up to the south-east corner of the Sydapuram reserved forest block B.</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Then the eastern boundary of that reserved forest to the starting point.</p> <p>REMARKS.—The following public right of way is admitted:—</p> <p>(i) Cart-track five yards wide from Sydapuram to the patta fields north of the reserve ^{to a width of five yards}—This enters the reserve at cairn No. 1 and running along the boundary for about two furlongs leaves it at the north-east corner of survey No. 789 of Sydapuram.</p>

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

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Draft NOTIFIC

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare under the provisions of section 16 of the Forest Act, 1907, which are set forth in the Schedule appended to this

District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	Bound
1	2	3	4
Nellore	Rajamahendravaram	Sydapuram Block A Extension	

then the west side of that
 top corner; then a straight
 line of 12 525; then
 the end of S.N. 528 to the
 latter number. Then a

North - starting from the north side of S.N. 525 where
 Sydapuram on the Southern Rajamahendravaram Road.
 Reserved Forests Block A, that
 corner on the west side of S.N.
 East: - Then the west side of Sydapuram reserved
 686 and 687 (all of Sydapuram)
 of S.N. 209 of Turpupundla boundary of that
 Southernmost corner of the last starting point.
 South: - Then a straight line
 about 3 1/2 chains north of the S.N.
 210 of Turpupundla Ramasagar
 the one at its Southernmost corner
 the Southernmost corner of S.N.
 West: - Then the east sides
 585, 586, 592, 593, 594, 595
 to the starting point.

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G. Smith

District Forest Officer. 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 [unclear] which are set forth in the Schedule appended to this Notification shall be constituted "Reserved Forest."

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District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	Boundaries.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
Nellore	Raipur	Sydapuram B Block Extension.	<p>North. — Starting from the South-west Corner of S No ⁷⁶⁷768 of Sydapuram on the Eastern side right of way is boundary of Sydapuram Block B reserved Forest, the South sides of S Nos 767, 768, 771 West track 5 yards 772, 773 and 775 to the North-west Corner wide from Sydapuram of S No 776; then the west side of that number, to the ^{putha} Calicut field ^{the reverse} of S No 777, the North of Sydapuram — the west and South sides of S No 777, the North of Sydapuram — the west and South sides of S Nos 785 & 786, the west & this into the reverse west sides of S Nos 792, the South sides of, at Cairn No 1 and South sides of S No 792, the South sides of S Nos running along the S No 791, the South and East sides of S Nos running along the 790, and the East sides of S No 789 to the boundary for about 2 furlongs leave ^{it} at the North-east Corner of S No 789 of Sydapuram. then the South side of S No 536 up to Cairn No 1, about 23 Chas west North-west — then a straight line to the North — west</p>	

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South: - From the Rapur G 685;
 South-East Corner of the
 Forest Block B.

West: - From the Eastern
 reserved Forest to the st number.

NOTIFICATION

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 st number.

west Southwest to Cairn No: 1
 Survey Stone on the west side of S No
 am Counting from and including
 corner; then a straight line to
 582 of Sydapuram.

of that number and of S. No:
 95 and 611 (all of Sydapuram)

The following public rights of way
 are admitted: -

(i) The cart track from Griddaham to
 Sydapuram to a width of 5 yards:-
 This enters the reserve at its northeast
 corner and running southwest for
 about 1 mile 1 furlong leaves it about
 1 chain Southeast of the Southeast
 corner of S. No 585 of Sydapuram.

(ii) The foot path from Sydapuram
 to Mola kala punda for men only to
 a width of one yard: - This enters

the reserve about one chain north
 of the northwest corner of S. No 209
 of Turpupunda Dam adagaram
 and running in a southeasterly
 direction for about 1 mile leaves
 it about 17 1/2 chains Southeast
 of the Southeast corner of S. No
 582 of Sydapuram.

District Forest Officer

G. A. Smith

Forest Settlement Officer

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1898.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed May th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 161, 28th April 1898.

APRIL.

Submitting to Government, for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, draft notifications under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Sydapuram blocks A and B extensions in the Rapur taluk, Nellore district, as reserved forests.

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, Madras (through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle), dated 8th January 1898, No. 1205-For. :—

In forwarding a copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter, No. 95, dated 10th December 1897, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Sydapuram block A extension, I have the honour to request that Government may be moved to publish the draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The date from which the reservation should take effect has to be inserted in the notification.

3. Draft notification, claim register, sketch-map, area statement 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 10th December 1897, No. 95.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Sydapuram block A extension reserve in the Rapur taluk of the Nellore 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 4th May 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of 3rd July 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 6th October 1897.

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

(i) Two claims to rights of way.

(ii) One petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to exclude a portion of the reserve for free grazing, &c.

The two claims to rights of way involved in item No. 1 were admitted. The petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to exclude a portion of the reserve was rejected, as they do not possess, neither do they claim, any right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only the privilege of free grazing on land not then required for any other purpose. According to the village accounts, the available waste outside the reserve excluding porambokes is 304 acres or about 50 per cent. of the occupied area, so far as this village alone is concerned; but taken with its hamlets the percentage of waste to occupied land is still greater. The waste available therefore appears sufficient for all village purposes.

4. During the enquiry it was brought to notice by the karnam that the mica mine of Kuddus Badsha Sahib is included within this proposed extension. As the leases are temporary and made by Government (Forest Department) subject to the mining rules of the Government of India, I did not think it necessary to obtain a claim from the owner of the mine in question.

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 filed 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 Sydapuram A block extension, 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.
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1	Beyar Subba Reddi, Chajerla Pochi Reddi and other ryots of Sydapuram.	19th Nov. 1897.	State that survey No. 612 of Sydapuram, measuring about 300 acres called Pallanetta where they were grazing their cattle has been included in the proposed reserve and that there is no other land excepting this for grazing cattle, &c., and request to exclude the same from the reserve.		Besides porambokes there are over 1,000 acres or 50 per cent. of the cultivated area available for grazing, &c., purposes. The claim is therefore objected to.	Petition rejected, as the petitioners do not possess, neither do they claim, a right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only the privilege of free grazing which is revokable at the pleasure of Government. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th November 1897.
2	Thuggumati Sivayya, karnam-gumasta of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Griddalur to Sydapuram.	This enters the reserve at its north-east corner and running south-west for about one mile, one furlong, leaves it about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 685 of Sydapuram.	Admits claim	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.
3	Thuggumati Sivayya, karnam-gumastah of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Sydapuram to Molakalapundla (hamlet of Sydapuram).	This enters the reserve, about one chain north of the north-west corner of survey No. 209 of Thurupunda Ramasagaram and running in a south-west direction for about one mile, leaves it about seven-teen and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 582 of Sydapuram. This is used when the Ramasagaram tank is full and wet cultivation has started.	Do.	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of one yard. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.

Claim 3.—Marked as (i) in the draft notification.

Claim 2.—Marked as (i) in the draft notification.

4 BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE), FOREST No. 161, 28TH APRIL 1898.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Sydapuram block A extension.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government land, 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.			Probable extent of land left for grazing purposes in the immediate vicinity of the reserve.
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.	
Rapur ..	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. 94,688	ACS. 16,430	..	Sydapuram ACS. 450, block A extension.	ACS. 300	ACS. 150	..

* Corrected in the Revenue Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the 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
Sydapuram block A extension ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	2	1

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle,
dated Madras, 25th January 1898, No. 1247.

Forwarded.

READ—the following letter from E. SCOTT, Esq., Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras (through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle), dated 8th January 1898, No. 1207-For. :—

In forwarding a copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter No. 94, dated 11th December 1897, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Sydapuram block B extension, I have the honour to request that Government may be moved to publish the draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The date from which the reservation should take effect has to be inserted in the notification.

3. Draft notification, claim register, sketch-map, area statement 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 11th December 1897, Ref. No. 94.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Sydapuram block B extension reserve 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 4th May 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of 6th July 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 6th October 1897.

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

- One claim to a right of way.
- One petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to abandon the reserve for free grazing, &c.

The claim to a right of way involved in item No. (i) was admitted; but the petition by the ryots of Sydapuram was rejected, as the ryots do not possess, nor do they claim, any right to the land. Sufficient waste is available in this village outside the reserve for free grazing, &c., (*vide* paragraph 3 of my letter No. 95, dated 10th December 1897, reporting on the A block extension).

4. During enquiry and inspection it was found that two mica mines leased out by Kuddus Badsha Sahib and A. Subba Naidu, respectively, are included within the proposed extension; but for reasons stated in paragraph 4 of the letter quoted above, no claims have been taken for these from the owners.

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

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

- A signed copy of the B. register of claims.
- The draft notification under section 16.
- The sketch-map of the reserve.
- The numerical statement of claims filed 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 Sydapuram block B Extension-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	Revur Subba Reddi, Chajeria Pichi Reddi and other ryots of Sydapuram.	19th Nov. 1897.	State that survey No. 528 of Sydapuram in which they have been grazing their cattle under Sagada from a long time, has been included in the reserve; and request to exclude the same, as there is no other land fit for cultivation.		Besides poramboke there are over 1,000 acres or 50 per cent. of the cultivated area available for grazing, &c., purposes. The claim is therefore objected to.	Petition rejected, as the petitioners do not possess, neither do they claim, a right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only a privilege of free grazing, which is revokable at the pleasure of Government. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th November 1897.
2	Thuggunati Sivayya, karnam-gumasta of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots holding lands north of the reserve right of way over the cart-track from Sydapuram to the lands in question, running on the boundary line north of Korakonda.	This enters the reserve at entry No. 1 and running along the boundary for about two furlongs leaves it at the north-east corner of survey No. 789 of Sydapuram.	Admits claim ..	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Sydapuram block B extension.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government land 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 land proposed for reservation.			Probable extent of land left for grazing purposes in the immediate vicinity of the reserve.
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.	
Rapur ..	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. 94,688	ACS. 16,430	..	Sydapuram block B extension	ACS. 450	ACS. 300	ACS. 150

* Corrected in the Revenue Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the block.	Claims to patla 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
Sydapuram block B extension ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	1	1

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 25th January 1898, No. 1248.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 161 dated 28th April 1898.

The draft notifications received with the letters read above will be submitted to Government, with the request that they may be approved and ordered to be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the reservation to take effect from the 31st August next.

8 BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE), FOREST No. 161, 28TH APRIL 1898.

2. It is noted from paragraph 4 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, dated 10th December 1897, No. 95, that no claims were entertained during settlement in respect of the mica mines included within the proposed extensions on the ground that they are held under temporary leases granted by Government (Forest Department) subject to the mining rules of the Government of India.

3. The blocks lie in the Rapur taluk and cover an aggregate area of 900 acres as finally settled.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Donel Davidson

Acting Secretary.

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

Government {1898} of Madras. REVENUE.

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G.O., Nos. 328, 328A, 3rd June 1898.

JUNE.

Reserved Forest.

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Sydapuram blocks A and B extensions in the Rapur taluk as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Nellore District Gazettes.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 161, dated 28th April 1898:—

Read—the following letter from E. SCOTT, Esq., Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras (through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle), dated 8th January 1898, No. 1205-For.:—

In forwarding a copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter, No. 95, dated 10th December 1897, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Sydapuram block A extension, I have the honour to request that Government may be moved to publish the draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The date from which the reservation should take effect has to be inserted in the notification.

3. Draft notification, claim register, sketch-map, area statement 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 10th December 1897, No. 95.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Sydapuram block A extension reserve in the Rapur taluk of the Nellore 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 4th May 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of 3rd July 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 6th October 1897.

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

- (i) Two claims to rights of way.
- (ii) One petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to exclude a portion of the reserve for free grazing, &c.

The two claims to rights of way involved in item No. 1 were admitted. The petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to exclude a portion of the reserve was rejected, as they do not possess, neither do they claim, any right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only the privilege of free grazing on land not then required for any other purpose. According to the village accounts, the available waste outside the reserve excluding porambokes is 304 acres or about 50 per cent. of the occupied area, so far as this village alone is concerned; but taken with its hamlets the percentage of waste to occupied land is still greater. The waste available therefore appears sufficient for all village purposes.

4. During the enquiry it was brought to notice by the karnam that the mica mine of Kuddus Badsha Sahib is included within this proposed extension. As the leases are temporary and made by Government (Forest Department) subject to the mining rules of the Government of India, I did not think it necessary to obtain a claim from the owner of the mine in question.

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 filed 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 Sydapuram A block extension, 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		3	4	5	6	7
1	Bevar Subba Reddi, Chajeria, Pichi Reddi and other ryots of Sydapuram.	19th Nov. 1897.	State that survey No. 612 of Sydapuram, measuring about 300 acres called Pallanetta where they were grazing their cattle has been included in the proposed reserve and that there is no other land excepting this for grazing cattle, &c., and request to exclude the same from the reserve.		Besides porambokes there are over 1,000 acres or 50 per cent. of the cultivated area available for grazing, &c., purposes. The claim is therefore objected to.	Petition rejected, as the petitioners do not possess, neither do they claim, a right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only the privilege of free grazing which is revokable at the pleasure of Government.
2	Thuggumati Sivayya, karnam-gumastah of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Griddalur to Sydapuram.	This enters the reserve at its north-east corner and running south-west for about one mile, one furlong, leaves it about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 685 of Sydapuram.	Admits claim ..	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th November 1897.
1						Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards.
3	Thuggumati Sivayya, karnam-gumastah of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Sydapuram to Molakalapundla (hamlet of Sydapuram).	This enters the reserve, about one chain north of the north-west corner of survey No. 209 of Thirupundla, Ramasagaram and running in a south-west-erly direction for about one mile, leaves it about seven-tween and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 682 of Sydapuram. This is used when the Ramasagaram tank is full and wet cultivation has started.	Do.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.
2						Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of one yard.
						(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.

Claim 3.—Marked as (ii) in the draft notification.

Claim 2.—Marked as (i) in the draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Sydapuram block A extension.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government land, 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.			Probable extent of land left for grazing purposes in the immediate vicinity of the reserve.
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.	
Rapur ..	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. 94,688	ACS. 16,430	..	Sydapuram ACS. 450, block A extension.	ACS. 300	ACS. 150	..

* Corrected in the Revenue Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the 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
Sydapuram block A extension ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	2	1

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 25th January 1898, No. 1247.

Forwarded.

Read—the following letter from E. SCOTT, Esq., Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras (through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle), dated 8th January 1898, No. 1207-For. :—

In forwarding a copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter No. 94, dated 11th December 1897, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Sydapuram block B extension, I have the honour to request that Government may be moved to publish the draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The date from which the reservation should take effect has to be inserted in the notification.

3. Draft notification, claim register, sketch-map, area statement 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 11th December 1897, Ref. No. 94.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Sydapuram block B extension reserve 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 4th May 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of 6th July 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 6th October 1897.

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

- One claim to a right of way.
- One petition by the ryots of Sydapuram to abandon the reserve for free grazing, &c.

The claim to a right of way involved in item No. (i) was admitted; but the petition by the ryots of Sydapuram was rejected, as the ryots do not possess, nor do they claim, any right to the land. Sufficient waste is available in this village outside the reserve for free grazing, &c., (*vide* paragraph 3 of my letter No. 95, dated 10th December 1897, reporting on the A block extension).

4. During enquiry and inspection it was found that two mica mines leased out by Kuddus Badsha Sahib and A. Subba Naidu, respectively, are included within the proposed extension; but for reasons stated in paragraph 4 of the letter quoted above, no claims have been taken for these from the owners.

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

6. The following are submitted herewith :—

- A signed copy of the B. register of claims.
- The draft notification under section 16.
- The sketch-map of the reserve.
- The numerical statement of claims filed 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 Sydapuram block B Extension 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	Bevur Subba Reddi, Chajerla Pichi Reddi and other ryots of Sydapuram.	19th Nov. 1897.	State that survey No. 528 of Sydapuram in which they have been grazing their cattle under Sagada from a long time, has been included in the reserve; and request to exclude the same, as there is no other land fit for cultivation.		Besides poramboke there are over 1,000 acres or 50 per cent. of the cultivated area available for grazing, &c., purposes. The claim is therefore objected to.	Petition rejected, as the petitioners do not possess, neither do they claim, a right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only a privilege of free grazing, which is revokable at the pleasure of Government.
2	Thuggumati Sivayya, karnam-gumasta of Sydapuram.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the ryots holding lands north of the reserve right of way over the cart-track from Sydapuram to the lands in question, running on the boundary line north of Korskonda.	This enters the reserve at cairn No. 1 and running along the boundary for about two furlongs leaves it at the north-east corner of survey No. 789 of Sydapuram.	Admits claim ..	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 20th November 1897. Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 26th November 1897.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Sydapuram block B extension.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government land 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 land proposed for reservation.			Probable extent of land left for grazing purposes in the immediate vicinity of the reserve.
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.	
Rapur ..	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 56,172	ACS. 254,868	ACS. * 94,688	ACS. 16,430	..	Sydapuram block B extension	ACS. 450	ACS. 300	ACS. 150

* Corrected in the Revenue Board's office.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and disposed of.

Name and number of the 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
Sydapuram block B extension ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	1	1

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by E. P. POPERT, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 25th January 1898, No. 1248.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 161, dated 28th April 1898.

The draft notifications received with the letters read above will be submitted to Government, with the request that they may be approved and ordered to be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the reservation to take effect from the 31st August next.

2. It is noted from paragraph 4 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, dated 10th December 1897, No. 95, that no claims were entertained during settlement in respect of the mica mines included within the proposed extensions on the ground that they are held under temporary leases granted by Government (Forest Department) subject to the mining rules of the Government of India.

3. The blocks lie in the Rapur taluk and cover an aggregate area of 900 acres as finally settled.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
Acting Secretary.

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

ORDER—No. 328, Revenue, dated 3rd June 1898.

Forest No. 95.

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 reservation shall take effect.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

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

Endorsement No. 328A.

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 areas, 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 ..	Sydapuram block A extension.	<p><i>North.</i>—Starting from the north-east corner of survey No. 611 of Sydapuram on the southern boundary of Sydapuram reserved forest block A, that boundary up to its south-east corner on the west side of survey No. 685.</p> <p><i>East.</i>—Then the west sides of that number and of survey Nos. 686 and 687 (all of Sydapuram) and the west side of survey No. 209 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram up to the south-west corner of the last number.</p> <p><i>South.</i>—Then a straight line west-south-west to cairn No. 1 about three and a half chains north of the eighth survey stone on the west side of survey No. 210 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram counting from and including the one at its southernmost corner; then a straight line to the southernmost corner of survey No. 682 of Sydapuram.</p> <p><i>West.</i>—Then the east sides of that number and of survey Nos. 585, 586, 592, 593, 594, 595 and 611 (all of Sydapuram) to the starting point.</p>

REMARKS.—The following public rights of way are admitted:—

- The cart-track from Griddalur to Sydapuram to a width of five yards:—This enters the reserve at its north-east corner and running south-west for about one mile and one furlong leaves it about one chain south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 685 of Sydapuram.
- The foot-path from Sydapuram to Molakalapundla for men only to a width of one yard. This enters the reserve about one chain north of the north-west corner of survey No. 209 of Turpupundla Ramasagaram and running in a south-westerly direction for about one mile leaves it about seventeen and a half chains south-east of the south-east corner of survey No. 682 of Sydapuram.

Do. Rapur .. Sydapuram block B extension. *North.*—Starting from the south-west corner of survey No. 767 of Sydapuram on the eastern boundary of Sydapuram block B reserved forest, the south sides of survey Nos. 767, 768, 771, 772, 773 and 775 to the north-west corner of survey No. 773; then the west sides of survey Nos. 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

REMARKS.—The following public right of way is admitted:—
(i) Cart-track from Sydapuram to the patta fields north of the reserve to a width of five yards.—This enters the reserve at cairn No. 1 and running along the boundary for about two furlongs leaves it at the north-east corner of survey No. 789 of Sydapuram.

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