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Dated 7th. June

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest

The draft Notfn. under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Bapatla block No. III, in Bapatla Taluk, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Kistna Dt. Gazettes.

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Order No. 337 & 5 7th June 1898.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St George and Kistna DL gazettes, the 15th August 1898 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

7.6.98

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Note The initial reservation of the block was approved in G.O 410 28.6.95. although measuring only 6.29 acres after settlement, the reserve

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

Docket No. 171

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SUBJECT.

Subg to Govt for approval of draft notification under sec: 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Bapatla block No III in the Bapatla Taluq, Kistna dist, as a reserved forest.

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Declared, June 7, 1897

No. III.—

REVISED 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 189, 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.
Kistna.	Bapatla ..	Bapatla ✱ block No. III.	*North.*—Starting from the south-west corner of sub-survey No. 1466-1 of Bapatla on the eastern boundary of Bapatla reserve block No. I, the south sides of that number and of No. 1466-4 to the south-east corner of the latter number; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465-1; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465-3; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the southernmost corner of No. 1465-13; then a straight line to the trijunction of Velicherla, Bapatla and Karlapalem. *East.*—Thence the surveyed village boundary between Bapatla and Karlapalem up to where it crosses the northern boundary of Bapatla block No. II. *South.*—Then along the northern and western boundaries of that reserve to the north-east corner of No. 1785—C-10; then the north-sides of Nos. 1785—C-10, 1785—C-9, 1785—C-8, 1785—C-7, 1785—C-6 and 1785—C-3 to the north-west corner of the last number; then a straight line to the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-17. *West.*—Thence the east sides of survey Nos. 1785—B-18, 1785—B-19 and 1785—B-25 up to the north-east corner of the last number; then a straight line to the south-east corner of the Bapatla reserve block No. I; then along the eastern boundary of that reserve to the starting point.

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

(1) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Bapatla to Ganapavaram.*—This enters the reserve at the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-37 of Bapatla and running east-north-east for about one mile and seven and-a-half furlongs and crossing the cart-track Nos. 2 and 3 *infra*, leaves it at the south-west corner of No. 1258 of Karlapalem.

(2) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bapatla, to Nandiravutota Gavalapalem.*—This enters the reserve about ten chains east of the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-17 of Bapatla and running in a north-north-easterly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves it about four and a half chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 1466-7 of the same village.

(3) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Pennaboyina-Vallapalem, hamlet of Bapatla to Gavalapalem.*—This enters the reserve near the north-east corner of No. 1785—C-10 of Bapatla and running in a northerly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves it near the south-west corner of survey No. 1465-1 of Bapatla.

16th December 1897.

(Signed) T. M. NALLASAMI,
for District Forest-officer.

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1785/B.17, 1785/B.16, 1785/B.15 and 1785/B.14 of no 1785/B.13

right line to the Southeast the East Side of that number; then a straight line to of no 1785/B.31, [illegible] to [illegible] to the South East corner of the [illegible] boundary of Bapatla [illegible] Forest; thence along [illegible] boundary of that [illegible] to the [illegible] Village [illegible] no 2 [illegible]

cart track no 1 Supra, lea[ding] it about 4½ chains South we[st] of the South East Corner of no 1466/7 of the same village.

(3) Cart track to a width 5 yards from Pennabrojina Vallapalem hamlet of Bapa[tla] to Gavelapalem.— This enters the Reserve near the North East corner of no 1785/C.10 of Bapatla and running in a northerly direction for about 6 furlongs and crossing the cart track 2 Supra leaves it near the South West corner of S.no 146/1 of Bapatla.

E A Smith I.
Forest Settlement Officer

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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 date of 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
Kistna District	Bapatla Taluk	Bapatla Block II	North:— Line starting from the S.W. corner of R.S. No. 1466/1 of Bapatla, on Bapatla Reserve Block No. II minded dup of no 1466/4 to eastern minded, then a straight corner of no 1465/1, then the to its South East corner the South West corner of no 1465/3, then the South sides of that number to its South East corner, then a straight line to the southernmost corner of no 1465/13, then a straight line to the trijection of Velicherla, Bapatla Karlapalem East:— Thence the Survey Village boundary between Bapatla and Karlapalem upto where it crosses the Northern boundary of Bapatla Block No II South:— Then along the Northern and Western boundaries of that Reserve to the North East corner of no 1785/C.10, then the North sides of nos 1785/C.10, 1785/C.9, 1785/C.8, 1785/C.7, 1785/C.6 and 1785/C.3 to the North West corner of the last number; then a straight line to the North East corner of no 1785/B.17; then	The following public rights of way are allowed. (1) Cart track to a width of 5 yards from Bapatla to Agamaparam:— This enters the Reserve near the North East corner of no 1785/B2 of Bapatla and running East and 7½ furlongs and crossing the Cart track nos 2 & 3 infra leaves it at the South West corner of no 1258 of Karlapalem (2) Cart track to a width of 5 yards from Vallurvalla-palem hamlet of Bapatla to Nandirazutola Agavala-palem:— This enters the Reserve about 10 chains east of the North East corner of no 1785/B.17 of Bapatla and running in a North-Northerly direction for about 6 furlongs and crossing the

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Reserve Block No I [illegible]
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Reserve [illegible]
numbers [illegible]
[illegible]

(3) Cart-track to a width of 5 yards from Pennaboyina — Vallapalem hamlet of Bapatla to Gavalapalem :— This enters the Reserve near the north-east corner of no 1785/C.10 of Bapatla and running in a northerly direction for about 6 furlongs and crossing the cart-track no 1 supra leaves it near the south-west corner of S. no 1465/1 of Bapatla.

Revised 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 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
Kistna District	Bapatla Taluk	Bapatla Block III	North:— Starting from the south-west corner of sub-S. No. 1466/1 of Bapatla, on the eastern boundary of Bapatla Reserve Block No. 1; the south sides of that number and of No. 1466/4 to the south-east corner of the latter number; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465/1; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465/3, then the south side of that number to its south-east corner, then a straight line to the southern most corner of No. 1465/13, then a straight line to the tri-junction of Vilicherla, Bapatla and Karlapalem. East:— thence the surveyed village boundary between Bapatla and Karlapalem upto where it crosses the northern boundary of Bapatla Block No. II. South:— Then along the northern and western boundaries of that Reserve to the north-east corner of No. 1785/C.10; then the north sides of Nos. 1785/C.10, 1785/C.9, 1785/C.8, 1785/C.7, 1785/C.6 and 1785/C.3 to the north-west corner of the last number; then a straight line to the north-east corner of No. 1785/B.17. West:— Thence the east sides of S. Nos. 1785/B.18, 1785/B.19 and 1785/B.25 up to the north-east corner of the last number; then a straight line to the south-east corner of the Bapatla Reserve Block No. 1; then along the eastern boundary of that Reserve to the starting point.	The following public rights of way are allowed:— (1) Cart-track to a width of 5 yards from Bapatla to Ganapavaram:— This enters the Reserve at near the north-east corner of No. 1785/B37 of Bapatla and running east, north-east for about 1 mile and 7½ furlongs and crossing the cart track No. 2 and 3 infra leaves it at the south-west corner of No. 1258 of Karlapalem (2) Cart track to a width of 5 yards from Vallurvallapalem, hamlet of Bapatla, to Nandirajutotapavala palem:— This enters the reserve about 10 chains east of the north east corner of No. 1785/B.17 of Bapatla and running in a North-north-easterly direction for about 6 furlongs and crossing the cart-track No. 1 supra, leaves it about 4½ chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 1466/7 of the same village (3) Cart-tra-

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Board of Revenue

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Proceedings, Forest No. 171, 6th May 1898.

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MAY.

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 Bapatla block No. III in the Bapatla taluk, Kistna district, as a reserved forest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE).

READ—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897 :—

Read—the following letter from E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kistna (through the District Forest-officer, Kistna), dated 30th July 1896, Dis. No. 826 :—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Bapatla block No. III in the Bapatla taluk of your district.

2. The initial notification under section 4 of Madras Forest Act proposing to constitute the area into a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 2nd July 1895, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of August 1895.

3. Mr. R. H. L. Lushington was originally appointed to settle this block and by notification, dated 28th October 1896, I was appointed the Settlement-officer.

4. The block was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by me in May 1896 and sixteen claims were preferred for the following rights :—

(i) Six claims to Government patta fields.
(ii) Four claims to rights of way to fields.
(iii) Five claims to other rights of way.
(iv) One claim to a burning-ground.

The claims to Government patta fields were admitted and the fields have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.

The claims to rights of way to fields were rejected as unnecessary.

The claims to other rights of way were admitted.

The claim to the burning-ground was rejected as unnecessary, the burning-ground having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.

5. During settlement, it was brought to notice that the fields noted below have been under sivoijamma cultivation during the past five or six years. Under ordinary circumstances I would have proposed an alteration of the boundary here so as to exclude these fields, but the District Forest-officer says that the portion of the reserve is required for planting a tope :—

	Extent.
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Survey No. 1785—B-7	6·84
„ „ 1785- B-10	0·60
„ „ 1785—B-11	2·79
„ „ 1785—B-12	1·80
„ „ 1785—B-14	1·00
„ „ 1785—B-15	0·32
„ „ 1785—B-25	0·11
„ „ 1785—B-26	1·50
„ „ 1785—B-33	1·10
Also No. 1785	3·75
„ „ 1785	2·58
„ „ 1785	0·58
„ „ 1785	0·36
„ „ 1785	0·60
„ „ 1785	0·88

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

7. The following are submitted herewith :—

(1) A signed copy of the B register of claims.
(2) A draft notification under section 16.
(3) The sketch-map of the reserve.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—B. Register.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. ATKINSON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated Masulipatam, 19th September 1896.

Forwarded to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, through the Conservator of Forests.

2. The statement of area and condition is enclosed; the area excluded at settlement is 80 acres making the area of the block 629 acres, and of the three blocks 1,961 acres.

ENCLOSURE.—Area statement.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 26th September 1896, R.C. No. 654.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897.

With reference to the decision of the Government of India that land for which there is an effective demand for cultivation should not ordinarily be reserved for forest purposes, the Collector is requested to report more fully on the objection to revising the boundary as proposed in paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report.

2. An early reply is requested.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Kistna, with four enclosures returned.
„ Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

READ—also the following letter from R. MORRIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Kistna, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle), dated Masulipatam, 11th December 1897, Dis. No. 1307-Forest :—

In resubmitting herewith the papers received with Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897, I have the honour to report that out of the six numbered portions of D. No. 1785 referred to in paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, five have already been excluded by the alteration of the reserve boundary as shown in the plan on the south side.

2. As regards the sixth plot of about 3 acres I consider that it would be inadvisable to exclude it as it lies just on the north boundary of block II and in the centre of the reserve, taking the blocks as a whole. If necessary a piece of land might be given outside in exchange as a privilege.

3. All the six fields have been plotted on the map.

4. The other fields mentioned in the Forest Settlement-officer's report have now been cut out and a revised draft notification is submitted herewith for favour of approval.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

B. REGISTER of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III reserved forest, Bápatla taluk, Kistna 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	Karmuri Veeraraghavulu of Bápatla.	25th May 1896.	Claims on behalf of his father Subbiah and his jointdars patta right over No. 1785-B—14-A of Bápatla, measuring 7·37 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-8-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Wants the land acquired by exchange if possible.	Claim admitted. The field being on the boundary will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. The District Forest-officer has no objection. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
2	Anantha Ruthnum of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims patta right over No. 1785-A of Bápatla, measuring 2 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-8-0.	Do. do.	Wants the land excluded.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
3	Vuppala Pulliah of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over No. 1785-E of Bápatla, measuring 1·61 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-3-0.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
4	Vuppala Pulliah of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-E of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
5	Kati Chinna Kotadu of Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of his brother-in-law Katikotadu patta right over survey No. 1785-G of Bápatla, measuring 60 cents, assessed at As. 6.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the land being excluded.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
6	Kati Chinna Kotadu of Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-G of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 8th July 1896. Forest Sett.-officer.

B. Register of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III 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
7	Chinta Baladu of Gollavalapalem, hamlet of Ganapavaram.	25th May 1896.	Claims patta right over No. 1785-F of Bápatla, measuring 75 cents, assessed at As. 9.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the land being excluded.	Claim admitted. *The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
8	Chinta Baladu of Gollavalapalem, hamlet of Ganapavaram.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-F of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
9	Chinta Guravada of Valluvandlapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over No. 1785-H of Bápatla, measuring 4·9 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-1-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the exclusion of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
10	Chinta Guravada of Valluvandlapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-H of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the field has been excluded from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
11	Karlapalem Venkata Nagabhooshanam, karnam of Karlapalem.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Ganapavaram to Bápatla.	This enters * the reserve near the north-east corner of survey No. 1785-B—2 of Bápatla and running east-north-east for about one mile and seven and half furlongs and crossing the cart-tracks admitted in claims Nos. 12 and 14, leaves it at the south-west corner of No. 1258 of Karlapalem.	Admits claim	† Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.

Claim 11.— { * Owing to revision of boundary the cart-track enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 1785—B. 37.
† Marked as (1) in the draft notification.

B. Register of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III 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
12	Sigirum Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	25th May 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Vallavallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, to Nandirazutota-Gavalapalem.	This enters the reserve about ten chains west of north-east corner of No. 1785-B-17 of Bápatla and running in a north north-easterly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 11 leaves it about four and a half chains south-west of the south east corner of No. 1465-7 of the same village.	Admits claim	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
13	Sigirum Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Bápatla to Ganapavaram.	This is the same as that in claim No. 11.	....	*Vide* order on claim No. 11. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
14	Sigirum Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Pennaboyinavallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, to Gavalapalem.	This enters the reserve near the north-east corner of No. 1785-C-10 of Bápatla and running in a northerly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 11 leaves it near the south-west corner of survey No. 1465-1 of Bápatla.	Admits claims ..	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
15	Perali Venkata Narayanappa, karnam of Perala.	2nd June 1896.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Perala to Nandiraztota via Pennaboyinavallapalem.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the burning ground having been already excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
16	Sigirum Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	11th June 1896.	Claims on behalf of the villagers of Vallavallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, right to the burning-ground adjoining the village.	....	....	

Claim 12.—Marked as (2) in the draft notification.
Claims 14 *and* 15.—Marked as (3) in the draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Revised draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

STATEMENT of area and condition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government land in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SQ. MLS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		
Bapatla taluk 679	Occupied. 283,877 Unoccupied. 150,195	11,770	709 (Altered to 629 acres by settlement).	Bapatla block No. III. 629	Covered with grass and palmyras.	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, Dis. No. 1307, dated 11th December 1897.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Sketch-map.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Old draft notification.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp Bangalore, 22nd December 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1038.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 171, dated 6th May 1898.

In the Board's Proceedings read above, the Collector of Kistna was requested, with reference to paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, to report more fully on the objection to excluding from the reserve lands which were found to have been under sivoijamma cultivation for some years. The Collector now reports that, with the exception of a single field measuring 3·75 acres in extent, all the lands have been excluded, and submits a revised draft notification. The Board forwards the papers to Government for approval and publication of the draft final notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The block may be declared reserved from the 15th August next.

2. As regards the land still left within the reserve, the Board agrees with the Collector in considering that, in the circumstances pointed out, its exclusion is inadvisable. The Collector's suggestion to provide the holder with other lands in exchange is approved.

3. *Claim* 11.—The point of entrance of the cart-track admitted in this claim should have been rectified with reference to the revision of boundary subsequently made. The necessary correction has been made.

4. In accordance with the instructions in Board's Proceedings, No. 578, dated 18th December 1896, the serial numbers adopted in the draft notification in respect of admitted rights should have been assigned to the respective entries in the B. register. The omission has been supplied in this office.

5. The block lies in the Bapatla taluk and, though covering an area of 629 acres only as finally settled, forms with reserves Nos. I and II, a compact area of 1,961 acres.

(True Copies and Extract.) Lionel Davidson

Acting Secretary.

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

Mad. Md. Pahilvan.

Government {1898} of Madras.

REVENUE.

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G.O., Nos. 337, 337A, 7th June 1898.

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Reserved Forest.

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Bápatla block No. III, in the Bápatla taluk, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Kistna District Gazettes.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 171, dated 6th May 1898:—

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897:—

Read—the following letter from E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kistna (through the District Forest-officer, Kistna), dated 30th July 1896, Dis. No. 826:—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Bapatla block No. III in the Bapatla taluk of your district.

2. The initial notification under section 4 of Madras Forest Act proposing to constitute the area into a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 2nd July 1895, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette of August 1895.

3. Mr. R. H. L. Lushington was originally appointed to settle this block and by notification, dated 28th October 1896, I was appointed the Settlement-officer.

4. The block was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by me in May 1896 and sixteen claims were preferred for the following rights:—

(i) Six claims to Government patta fields.
(ii) Four claims to rights of way to fields.
(iii) Five claims to other rights of way.
(iv) One claim to a burning-ground.

The claims to Government patta fields were admitted and the fields have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.

The claims to rights of way to fields were rejected as unnecessary.

The claims to other rights of way were admitted.

The claim to the burning-ground was rejected as unnecessary, the burning-ground having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.

5. During settlement, it was brought to notice that the fields noted below have been under sivoijamma cultivation during the past five or six years. Under ordinary circumstances I would have proposed an alteration of the boundary here so as to exclude these fields, but the District Forest-officer says that the portion of the reserve is required for planting a tope:—

	Extent. Acs.
Survey No. 1785—B-7	6·84
„ „ 1785—B-10	0·60
„ „ 1785—B-11	2·79
„ „ 1785—B-12	1·80
„ „ 1785—B-14	1·00
„ „ 1785—B-15	0·32
„ „ 1785—B-25	0·11
„ „ 1785—B-26	1·50
„ „ 1785—B-33	1·10
Also No. 1785	3·75
„ „ 1785	2·58
„ „ 1785	0·58
„ „ 1785	0·36
„ „ 1785	0·60
„ „ 1785	0·88

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

7. The following are submitted herewith:—

(1) A signed copy of the B register of claims.
(2) A draft notification under section 16.
(3) The sketch-map of the reserve.

Enclosure No. 1.—B. Register.

Enclosure No. 2.—Draft notification.

Enclosure No. 3.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. N. ATKINSON, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated Masulipatam, 19th September 1896.

Forwarded to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, through the Conservator of Forests.

2. The statement of area and condition is enclosed; the area excluded at settlement is 80 acres making the area of the block 629 acres, and of the three blocks 1,961 acres.

Enclosure.—Area statement.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 26th September 1896, R.C. No. 654.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897.

With reference to the decision of the Government of India that land for which there is an effective demand for cultivation should not ordinarily be reserved for forest purposes, the Collector is requested to report more fully on the objection to revising the boundary as proposed in paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report.

2. An early reply is requested.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Kistna, with four enclosures returned.
„ Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

Read—also the following letter from R. MORRIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Kistna, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle), dated Masulipatam, 11th December 1897, Dis. No. 1307-Forest:—

In resubmitting herewith the papers received with Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 11, Routine, dated 7th January 1897, I have the honour to report that out of the six numbered portions of D. No. 1785 referred to in paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, five have already been excluded by the alteration of the reserve boundary as shown in the plan on the south side.

2. As regards the sixth plot of about 3 acres I consider that it would be inadvisable to exclude it as it lies just on the north boundary of block II and in the centre of the reserve, taking the blocks as a whole. If necessary a piece of land might be given outside in exchange as a privilege.

3. All the six fields have been plotted on the map.

4. The other fields mentioned in the Forest Settlement-officer's report have now been cut out and a revised draft notification is submitted herewith for favour of approval.

Enclosure No. 1.

B. Register of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III reserved forest, Bápatla taluk, Kistna 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	Karmuri Veeraraghavulu of Bápatla.	25th May 1896.	Claims on behalf of his father Subbiah and his jointdars patta right over No. 1785-B—14-A of Bápatla, measuring 7·37 acres, assessed at Rs. 5-8-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Wants the land acquired by exchange if possible.	Claim admitted. The field being on the boundary will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. The District Forest-officer has no objection. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
2	Anantha Ruthnum of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims patta right over No. 1785-A of Bápatla, measuring 2 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-8-0.	Do. do.	Wants the land excluded.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
3	Vuppala Pulliah of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over No. 1785-E of Bápatla, measuring 1·61 acres, assessed at Rs. 1-3-0.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
4	Vuppala Pulliah of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-E of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
5	Kati Chinna Kotadu of Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of his brother-in-law Katikotadu patta right over survey No. 1785-G of Bápatla, measuring 50 cents, assessed at As. 6.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the land being excluded.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 7th July 1896.
6	Kati Chinna Kotadu of Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-G of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.

B. Register of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III 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
7	Chinta Baladu of Gollavalapalem, hamlet of Ganapavaram.	25th May 1896.	Claims patta right over No. 1785-F of Bápatla, measuring 75 cents, assessed at As. 9.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the land being excluded.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
8	Chinta Baladu of Gollavalapalem, hamlet of Ganapavaram.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-F of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
9	Chinta Guravada of Valluvandlapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over No. 1785-H of Bápatla, measuring 4·9 acres, assessed at Rs. 3-1-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Has no objection to the exclusion of the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
10	Chinta Guravada of Valluvandlapalem, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to No. 1785-H of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, as the field has been excluded from the reserve by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 8th July 1896.
11	Karlapalem Venkata Nagabhooshanam, karnam of Karlapalem.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Ganapavaram to Bápatla.	This enters * the reserve near the north-east corner of survey No. 1785-B—2 of Bápatla and running east-north-east for about one mile and seven and half furlongs and crossing the cart-tracks admitted in claims Nos. 12 and 14, leaves it at the south-west corner of No. 1258 of Karlapalem.	Admits claim	† Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.

Claim 11.— { * Owing to revision of boundary the cart-track enters the reserve at the north-east corner of survey No. 1785—B. 37.
† Marked as (1) in the draft notification.

B. Register of claims to lands, rights to forest produce or easements in the proposed Bápatla Block No. III 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
12	Sigiram Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	25th May 1896.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, to Nandirazutoka-Gavalapalem.	This enters the reserve about ten chains east of north-east corner of No. 1785-B--17 of Bápatla and running in a north-north-easterly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 11 leaves it about four and a half chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 1464-7 of the same village.	Admits claim	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
13	Sigiram Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Bápatla to Ganapavaram.	This is the same as that in claim No. 11.	....	*Vide* order on claim No. 11. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
14	Sigiram Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Pennaboyinavallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, to Gavalapalem.	This enters the reserve near the north-east corner of No. 1785-C-10 of Bápatla and running in a northerly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track admitted in claim No. 11 leaves it near the south-west corner of survey No. 1465-1 of Bápatla.	Admits claims ..	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
15	Perali Venkata Narayanappa, karnam of Perala.	2nd June 1896.	Claims public right of way over the cart-track from Perala to Nandirazutoka *via* Pennaboyinavallapalem.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the burning ground having been already excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 9th July 1896.
16	Sigiram Ramakristnama, karnam of Bápatla.	11th June 1896.	Claims on behalf of the villagers of Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bápatla, right to the burning-ground adjoining the village.	....	....	

Claim 12.—Marked as (2) in the draft notification.
Claims 14 *and* 15.—Marked as (3) in the draft notification.

Enclosure No. 2.—Revised draft notification.

Enclosure No. 3.

Statement of area and condition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government land in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SQ. MLS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		
Bapatla taluk 679	Occupied. 283,877 Unoccupied. 150,195	11,770	709 (Altered to 629 acres by settlement).	Bapatla block No. III. 629	Covered with grass and palmyras.	Forms enclosure to Collector's letter, Dis. No. 1307, dated 11th December 1897.

Enclosure No. 4.—Sketch-map.

Enclosure No. 5.—Old draft notification.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp Bangalore, 22nd December 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 1038.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 171, dated 6th May 1898.

In the Board's Proceedings read above, the Collector of Kistna was requested, with reference to paragraph 5 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report, to report more fully on the objection to excluding from the reserve lands which were found to have been under sivoijamma cultivation for some years. The Collector now reports that, with the exception of a single field measuring 3·75 acres in extent, all the lands have been excluded, and submits a revised draft notification. The Board forwards the papers to Government for approval and publication of the draft final notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The block may be declared reserved from the 15th August next.

2. As regards the land still left within the reserve, the Board agrees with the Collector in considering that, in the circumstances pointed out, its exclusion is inadvisable. The Collector's suggestion to provide the holder with other lands in exchange is approved.

3. *Claim* 11.—The point of entrance of the cart-track admitted in this claim should have been rectified with reference to the revision of boundary subsequently made. The necessary correction has been made.

4. In accordance with the instructions in Board's Proceedings, No. 578, dated 18th December 1896, the serial numbers adopted in the draft notification in respect of admitted rights should have been assigned to the respective entries in the B. register. The omission has been supplied in this office.

5. The block lies in the Bapatla taluk and, though covering an area of 629 acres only as finally settled, forms with reserves Nos. I and II, a compact area of 1,961 acres.

(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 a sketch-map to be returned.

Order—No. 337, Revenue, dated 7th June 1898.

Forest No. 100.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St. George and Kistna District Gazettes, the 15th 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 map.
„ the Superintendent, Government Press, with notification.

Endorsement No. 337A.

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

(Signed) N. E. MARJORIBANKS,
Acting 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 15th 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.
Kistna.	Bapatla ..	Bapatla block No. III.	*North.*—Starting from the south-west corner of sub-survey No. 1466-1 of Bapatla on the eastern boundary of Bapatla reserve block No. I, the south sides of that number and of No. 1466-4 to the south-east corner of the latter number; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465-1; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of No. 1465-3; then the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of most corner of No. 1465-13; then a straight line to the trijunction of Velicherla, Bapatla and Karlapalem. *East.*—Thence the surveyed village boundary between Bapatla and Karlapalem up to where it crosses the northern boundary of Bapatla block No. II. *South.*—Then along the northern and western boundaries of that reserve to the north-east corner of No. 1785—C-10; then the north-sides of Nos. 1785—C-10, 1785—C-9, 1785—C-8, 1785—C-7, 1785—C-6 and 1785—C-3 to the north-west corner of the last number; then a straight line to the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-17. *West.*—Thence the east sides of survey Nos. 1785—B-18, 1785—B-19 and 1785—B-25 up to the north-east corner of the last number; then a straight line to the south-east corner of the Bapatla reserve block No. I; then along the eastern boundary of that reserve to the starting point.

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

(1) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Bapatla to Ganapavaram.*—This enters the reserve at the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-37 of Bapatla and running east-north-east for about one mile and seven and-a-half furlongs and crossing the cart-tracks Nos. 2 and 3 *infra*, leaves the reserve at the south-west corner of No. 1258 of Karlapalem.

(2) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Valluvallapalem, hamlet of Bapatla, to Nandirazutota Gavalapalem.*—This enters the reserve about ten chains east of the north-east corner of No. 1785—B-17 of Bapatla and running in a north-easterly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves the reserve about four and a half chains south-west of the south-east corner of No. 1466-7 of the same village.

(3) *Cart-track to a width of five yards from Pennaboyina-Vallapalem, hamlet of Bapatla to Gavalapalem.*—This enters the reserve near the north-east corner of No. 1785—C-10 of Bapatla and running in a northerly direction for about six furlongs and crossing the cart-track No. 1 *supra*, leaves the reserve near the south-west corner of survey No. 1465-1 of Bapatla.

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