Revenue (1898) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 353-353A

Dated 23rd June 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forests— The draft addition, under Sec. 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the Constitution of certain land as reserved forest, published in the Fort St. George Gazette of the 22nd March 1898

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Forest No. 104.

RECD. ON 7 MAY 98 REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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

Order No 353A/23rd June 1898.

Forest No. 189

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St George and Godavari district gazettes, the 30th September 1898 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

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Dated 17th May 1898

Received 27 "

Registered 28 "

Enclosures 4.

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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 Marlagudem block in the Polavaram divn, Godavari Dist, as a reserved forest.

To the Board: LR with map.

" Supdt: Govt Press with notification.

Endt No 353A. 2/3

Copy to S. D. R and agri: Dept.

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Note The initial reservation of the block was approved in G.O 807 1.10.89

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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 189 , the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, will be constituted a Reserved Forest.

SCHEDULE

No.	District.	Taluk.	Name of block.	Situation and boundaries.	Remarks.
	Godavari	Yerragudem	Marlagudem	North. Starting from Cairn no 1 a straight line East South East for 25 Chains to Cairn no 2, then South East for 24 Chains to Cairn no 3, then East South East for 20 Chains to Cairn no 4, then a straight line in the same direction for 42 Chains to Cairn no 5, then a straight line in the same direction for 20 Chains to Cairn no 6, then a straight line South East for 27 Chains to Cairn no 7, then a straight line ~~in the same direction~~ East South East for 29 Chains to Cairn no 8. East. Thence a straight line South South East for 12 Chains to Cairn no 9, Then a straight line South South West for 14 Chains to Cairn no 10, then South South East for 19 Chains to Cairn no 11, then in the same direction for 24 Chains to Cairn no 12, then in the same direction for 23 Chains to Cairn no 13, then in the same direction for 32 Chains to Cairn no 14 South. Thence a straight line West for about 18 Chains to Cairn no 15, on the right bank of Rella Kalava (Stream) thence along the North boundary of Lakkavaram Estate marked by Cairn nos 15 (a), 15 (b), 15 (c), 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 to the last mentioned Cairn West. Thence a straight line North for 29 Chains to Cairn no 23, then East for the same distance to Cairn no 24, then North East for 22 Chains to Cairn no 25, then in the same direction for the same distance to Cairn no 26, then again in the same direction for 21 Chains to Cairn no 27, then west for 24 Chains to Cairn no 28, then in the same direction for 21 Chains to Cairn no 29, then South for 10 Chains to Cairn no 30, then West North West for 12 Chains to Cairn no 31, then in the same direction for 22 Chains to Cairn no 32, then in the same direction for 20 Chains to Cairn no 33, then North East for 20 Chains to Cairn no 34, then in the same direction for 21 Chains to Cairn no 35, then in the same direction for 16 Chains to Cairn no 36, then in the same direction for 22 Chains to Cairn no 37, then in the same direction for 21 Chains to the starting point.	Admitted Rights. Right of way is allowed over the following Cart tracks and foot path, for men, Cattle and Carts to a width of 6 yards over the former and for men and Cattle to a width of 2 yds. over the latter. (I) Cart track from N'Kkampeta to Battayagudem. It enters the Reserve about 4 Chains North of Cairn no 33 runs North East and North through S. nos 59 & 58 of Seetaramanagaram for 1 mile and 16 Chains and quits it at Cairn no 3. (II) Cart track from Jangareddigudem to Battayagudem It cuts the Reserve at Cairn no 30, runs North for about 44 Chains and joins Cart track no I. (III) Foot path from Marlagudem to Lakshmanagudem. It enters the Reserve about 18 Chains North of Cairn no 25, runs North East for about 1 Mile and 20 Chains and quits it about 2 Chains South of Cairn no 9. (IV) Cart track from Jangareddigudem to Lakshmanagudem. It enters the Reserve about 1 Chains North West of Cairn no 15, runs North East for about 28 Chains and quits it about 6 Chains South of Cairn no 13.

C. Thornton
District Forest Officer
Godavari Dn

Asst. Conservator
Forest Settlement Officer
Tanjam Cde Districts.
Waltair
27th January 1898

Enclosure

Proceedings No. 1221 of 1878

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Q. ...Council, June 23, 1882.

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DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

As. III — 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, ~~will~~ shall be constituted a reserved forest.

SCHEDULE.

Number.	District.	Taluk.	Name of block.	Boundaries.
..	Godavari ..	Yernagudem ..	Marlagudem ..	*North.*—Starting from cairn No. 1 a straight line east-south-east for twenty-five chains to cairn No. 2; then south-east for twenty-four chains to cairn No. 3, then east-south-east for twenty chains to cairn No. 4; then a straight line in the same direction for forty-two chains to cairn No. 5; then a straight line in the same direction for twenty chains to cairn No. 6; then a straight line south-east for twenty-seven chains to cairn No. 7; then a straight line east-south-east for twenty-nine chains to cairn No. 8. *East.*—Thence a straight line south-south-east for twelve chains to cairn No. 9; then a straight line south-south-west for fourteen chains to cairn No. 10; then south-south-east for nineteen chains to cairn No. 11; then in the same direction for twenty four chains to cairn No. 12; then in the same direction for twenty-three chains to cairn No. 13; then in the same direction for thirty-two chains to cairn No. 14. *South.*—Thence a straight line west for about eighteen chains to cairn No. 15, on the right bank of Rallakalava (stream); thence along the north boundary of Lakkavaram estate marked by cairn Nos. 15 (*a*), 15 (*b*), 15 (*c*), 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 to the last-mentioned cairn. *West.*—Thence a straight line north for twenty-nine chains to cairn No. 23; then east for the same distance to cairn No. 24; then north-east for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 25; then in the same direction for the same distance to cairn No. 26; then again in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 27; then west for twenty-four chains to cairn No. 28; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 29; then south for ten chains to cairn No. 30; then west-north-west for twelve chains to cairn No. 31; then in the same direction for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 32; then in the same direction for twenty chains to cairn No. 33; then north-east for twenty chains to cairn No. 34; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 35; then in the same direction for sixteen chains to cairn No. 36; then in the same direction for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 37; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to the starting point.

REMARKS— ~~Village rights.~~—Right of way is allowed over the following cart-tracks and foot-path for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards over the former and for men and cattle to a width of two yards over the latter:—

(I) *Cart-track from Akkampeta to Battayagudem.*—It enters the reserve about seven chains north of cairn No. 33, runs north-east and north through survey Nos. 59 and 53 of Seetaramanagaram for one mile and sixteen chains and quits ~~it~~ at cairn No. 3.

(II) *Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Battayagudem.*—It enters the reserve at cairn No. 30, runs north for about forty-four chains and joins cart-track No. I.

(III) *Foot-path from Marlagudem to Lakshmudugudem.*—It enters the reserve about eighteen chains north of cairn No. 25, runs north-east for about one mile and twenty chains and quits it about two chains south of cairn No. 9.

(IV) *Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Lakshmudugudem.*—It enters the reserve about one chain north-west of cairn No. 15, runs north-east for about twenty-eight chains and quits it about six chains south of cairn No. 13.

(Signed) C. D. THORNTON,
District Forest-officer.

(Signed) R. H. L. LUSHINGTON,
Forest Settlement-officer.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1898.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed May th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 189, 17th May 1898.

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9 **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 Marlagudem block, in the Polavaram division, Gódávari district, as a reserved forest.

Current No. 3872

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(LAND REVENUE).

READ—the following letter from V. A. BRODIE, Esq., Collector of Gódávari, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras (through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle), dated Cocanada, 26th January 1898, Disposal No. 1198 of 1897-98, Forest :—

I have the honour to forward, herewith, letter No. 94, dated 7th January 1898, with four enclosures received from the Forest Settlement-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts, regarding the settlement of Marlagudem reserve, in Polavaram division, and request that the Board may be pleased to forward them on to Government with a view to the publication of the draft notification under section 16 of the Forest Act in the *Fort St. George Gazette* after approval.

2. The draft notification and the sketch-map have been countersigned by my District Forest-officer in token of his having checked them.

3. The usual area statement is also enclosed.

4. The delay in the submission of the final report on this reserve and five other reserves in the Polavaram division has already been fully explained in my report on the forest administration in this district for the year 1896-97. Necessary steps have already been taken to submit the final reports on the other five reserves also at as early a date as practicable.

5. The date from which reservation is to take effect may be fixed at 1st April 1898.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From R. H. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Forest Settlement-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts, to the Collector of Gódávari, dated Camp Waltair, 7th January 1898, No. 94.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the Marlagudem reserve of Polavaram division of Gódávari district.

2. The notification under section 4 proposing to constitute this area a reserved forest appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 8th October 1889, and the proclamation under section 6 was published in the District Gazette, dated 2nd December 1889.

3. The block was originally notified for settlement in the name of M.R.Ry. D. Jagannadha Row Pantulu, and was subsequently transferred to Messrs. J.T. Lever, R. H. L. Lushington, E. A. Smith and finally to me for settlement. The block was perambulated and the claims enquired into by Mr. J. T. Lever in December 1892. Four claims were then filed, one claim was to right over about 100 acres of zemindari land, of which the Forest Settlement-officer admitted right over a portion of acres 12·57. Subsequently on an appeal against this order, the District Judge admitted the claim wholly, reversing the order of the Lower Court (Forest Settlement office). This land has been excluded from the reserve by altering its boundary. One claim was to service inam rights over land measuring 8 acres, which was admitted. The land has been acquired for the reserve under the Land Acquisition Act (I of 1894). Two claims were to rights of way over three cart-tracks and one foot-path which were admitted. No other appeals than the one mentioned above were filed in the block.

4. The block is free of all rights except the above right of way.

5. The revised sketch-map of the block was finally received from the District Forest-officer on 17th December 1897, after which date the papers were taken in hand and disposed of.

6. The following documents are sent herewith :—

(1) A signed copy of B register of claims.
(2) Draft notification under section 15.
(3) Numerical statement of claims filed and disposed of.
(4) Sketch of the block.

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

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ENCLOSURE No. 2.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Marlagudem reserved forest, Yernágudem taluk, Gódávari 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.	Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of final appeal and settlement.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2 / I	Manager of the Lakkavaram estate.	20th Dec. 1892.	Claims on behalf of the zemindar who is a minor, for the exclusion from the proposed Marlagudem reserve of an area of about 100 acres of land said to belong to the village of Jangareddigudem, which is a part of the estate.	The documents filed by the claimant— (a) Hakkikhat, dated 9th March 1825. (b) Plan of Jangareddigudem (c) A register of Jangareddigudem, dated 25th October 1860. (d) Certified copy of judgment in Calendar Case No. 118 of 1877 on the file of the 2nd-class Magistrate of Pottavaram. (e) Plan of the northern boundary of Jangareddigudem. Nine witnesses were also examined. The evidence of the Forest Ranger, Forest Surveyor and Exhibit F showing the south boundary of Marlagudem reserve as cut on the ground on behalf of the District Forest-officer.	The District Forest-officer contests the claim.	The claim is admitted to the portion measuring 12·57 acres which has been included in the reserve by the Forest Department not cutting their southern boundary, strictly in accordance with the survey line of Marlagudem village and the portion will be excluded from the reserve by altering its boundary. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. ELLORE, 1st March 1893.	The effect of exhibits A, B, E and I, together with the oral evidence as to possession is, in the total absence of any evidence for Government either to title or to possession at any time, quite sufficient to establish that the true northern boundary of Jangareddigudem is as now contended for by the claimant, that is, the northern boundary line of Jangareddigudem, runs from the junction of Ankampeta and Bettichenuragudem through the bed of Komati Singanakunta by Bagudikunta and Mulugukunta tanks to the Kallakalava stream, and along this stream to its junction with the Byanern stream which constitutes the eastern boundary of Jangareddigudem. I therefore reverse the Lower Court's decision and I direct the claim to be admitted and the Forest Settlement-officer to proceed to deal with it in like manner as if it had been admitted in the first instance by himself. (Signed) H. T. ROSS, District Judge. 12th March 1894.
1 / II	Koppaka Ramalakshmanna of Jangareddigudem	17th Dec. 1892.	Claims right to karnam, service inam land of Seetaramanagarampadu in the Polavaram taluk, comprising the undermentioned fields :—	Statement of the karnam and village accounts.	The District Forest-officer does not contest the claim.	The claim is admitted, the land will be acquired for inclusion in the proposed reserve. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. ELLORE, 4th March 1893.	.....

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* Acquired for the reserve under the Land Acquisition Act (I of 1894) for Rs. 116-7-0 under an award, dated 24th February 1897.
(Signed) R. H. L. LUSHINGTON,
Forest Sett.-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Marlagudem 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.	Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of final appeal and settlement.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*3 III	Gade Venkanna of Jangareddigudem.	18th Dec. 1892.	Claims right of way over the undermentioned pathways, running through the reserve :— (1) The cart-track from Akkampeta to Buttayagudem. (2) The cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Lakshmudugudem.	Long use	The District Forest-officer does not contest the claim.	The claim is admitted, in the name of the general public, and the rights of way claimed are allowed through the reserve for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. ELLORE, 4th March 1893.	....
†4 IV	Vanjam Rajappa of Marlagudem.	Do.	Claims right of way over the undermentioned pathways, running through the reserve :— (1) Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Buttayagudem, *vid* Marlagudem. (2) The foot and cattle path from Marlagudem to Lakshmudugudem.	Do., ...	Do.	The claim is admitted in the name of the general public, and the rights of way claimed are allowed through the reserve over the cart-track for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards and over the foot-path for men and cattle to a width of two yards. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. ELLORE, 4th March 1893.	....

Claim III .. { * (1) Enters the reserve about seven chains north of cairn No. 33, runs north-east and north through survey Nos. 59 and 58 of Seetharamanagaram for one mile and sixteen chains and quits it at cairn No. 8. Marked as No. I in the draft notification.
(2) Enters the reserve about one chain north-west of cairn No. 15, runs north-east for about twenty-eight chains and quits it about six chains south of cairn No. 13. Marked as No. IV in the draft notification.

Claim IV .. { † (1) Enters the reserve at cairn No. 30, runs north for about forty-four chains and joins cart-track No. 1. Marked as No. II in the draft notification.
(2) Enters the reserve about eighteen chains north of cairn No. 25, runs north-east for about one mile and twenty chains and quits it about two chains south of cairn No. 9. Marked as No. III in the draft notification.

(Signed) R. F. L. LUSHINGTON,
Forest Sett.-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

STATEMENT of area and condition of the Marlagudem proposed reserve in the Polavaram division, Gódávari district.

Name of taluk.	Total area of taluk.	Area of Government land.		Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves already submitted for notification under section 16.	Area of reserves now submitted for notification under section 16.		Character of land proposed for reservation.	
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Name.	Area.	How much forest?	How much grass?
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Polavaram division (Yernagudem taluk).	*208,228	41,949	111,599	18,150	52,200	..	Marlagudem	2,100	All forest.	..

* Inclusive of the area (54,680 acres) of zemindari land.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.

STATEMENT showing the number of claims filed and their disposal.

Number and name of block.	Claims to rights of way.			Claims to grazing rights and to water cattle.			Claims of inam-rights over lands.						Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
							Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.							
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Marlagudem	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	† 8·0	1	8·0	..	..	1	1	..	4	4	..

† The land has been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.–Sketch-map.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 30th January 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 1221.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 189, dated 17th May 1898.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The 30th September next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. The portion of the cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Buttayagudem that runs along the edge of the reserve should be diverted along the boundary line.

3. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Collector's letter, it is observed that the final notifications of the five* blocks referred to have not yet been submitted to this office. They have been pending for more than eight years, and it is undesirable that their final notification should be delayed any longer. The Collector is requested to pay particular attention to this matter.

* 1. Jeelugumilli.
2. Darbhagudem.
3. Papikonda.
4. Kovvada.
5. Kopalli.

4. The area of the block as finally settled is 2,100 acres.

(True Copies and Extract.) Lionel Davidson.

Acting Collector.

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

Exd. Md. Pahilvan.

Government {1898} of Madras.

REVENUE.

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G.O., Nos. 353, 353A, 23rd June 1898.

JUNE.

Reserved Forest.

The draft notification, under section 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Marlagudem block, in the Polavaram division, as a —, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George and the Gódávari District Gazettes.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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2 / 1	Manager of the Lakkavaram estate.	20th Dec. 1892.	Claims on behalf of the zemindar who is a minor, for the exclusion from the proposed Marlagudem reserve of an area of about 100 acres of land said to belong to the village of Jangareddigudem, which is a part of the estate.	The documents filed by the claimant— (a) Hakkikhat, dated 9th March 1825. (b) Plan of Jangareddigudem (c) A register of Jangareddigudem, dated 25th October 1860. (d) Certified copy of judgment in Calendar Case No. 118 of 1877 on the file of the 2nd-class Magistrate of Pottavaram. (e) Plan of the northern boundary of Jangareddigudem. Nine witnesses were also examined. The evidence of the Forest Ranger, Forest Surveyor and Exhibit F showing the south boundary of Marlagudem reserve as cut on the ground on behalf of the District Forest-officer.	The District Forest-officer contests the claim.	The effect of exhibits A, B, E and I, together with the oral evidence as to possession is, in the total absence of any evidence for Government either to title or to possession at any time, quite sufficient to establish that the true northern boundary of Jangareddigudem is as now contended for by the claimant, that is, the northern boundary line of Jangareddigudem, runs from the junction of Ankampeta and Setticheruragudem through the bed of Komati Singanakunta by Bagadikunta and Mulugukunta tanks to the Rallakalava stream, and along this stream to its junction with the Byaneru stream which constitutes the eastern boundary of Jangareddigudem. I therefore reverse the Lower Court's decision and I direct the claim to be admitted and the Forest Settlement-officer to proceed to deal with it in like manner as if it had been admitted in the first instance by himself. (Signed) H. T. ROSS, 12th March 1894. District Judge.
1	Koppaka Ramalakshmanna of Jangareddigudem	17th Dec. 1892.	Claims right to karnam service inam land of Seetaramanagarampadu in the Polavaram taluk, comprising the undermentioned fields:—	Statement of the karnam and village accounts.	Claim is admitted, the land will be acquired for inclusion in the proposed reserve. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. Ellore, 4th March 1893.	The District Forest-officer does not contest the claim.	.....

No.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
68	4·0	0 10 0
69	4·0	0 10 0

(Signed) R. H. L. LUSHINGTON,
Forest Sett.-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts.

* Acquired for the reserve under the Land Acquisition Act (I of 1894) for Rs. 116-7-0 under an award, dated 24th February 1897.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Marlagudem 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.	Brief abstract of decision, if any, of Court of final appeal and settlement.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*3 / III	Gade Venkanna of Jangareddigudem.	18th Dec. 1892.	Claims right of way over the undermentioned pathways, running through the reserve :— (1) The cart-track from Akkampeta to Buttayagudem. (2) The cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Lakshmudugudem.	Long use	The District Forest-officer does not contest the claim.	The claim is admitted, in the name of the general public, and the rights of way claimed are allowed through the reserve for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. Ellore, 4th March 1893.	....
†4 / IV	Vanjam Rajappa of Marlagudem.	Do.	Claims right of way over the undermentioned pathways, running through the reserve :— (1) Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Buttayagudem, *vid* Marlagudem. (2) The foot and cattle path from Marlagudem to Lakshmudugudem.	Do.	Do.	The claim is admitted in the name of the general public, and the rights of way claimed are allowed through the reserve over the cart-track for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards and over the foot-path for men and cattle to a width of two yards. (Signed) J. T. LEVER, Forest Sett.-officer. Ellore, 4th March 1893.	....

Claim III .. { * (1) Enters the reserve about seven chains north of cairn No. 33, runs north-east and north through survey Nos. 59 and 58 of Seetharamanagaram for one mile and sixteen chains and quits it at cairn No. 3. Marked as No. I in the draft notification.
(2) Enters the reserve about one chain north-west of cairn No. 15, runs north-east for about twenty-eight chains and quits it about six chains south of cairn No. 13. Marked as No. IV in the draft notification.

Claim IV .. { † (1) Enters the reserve at cairn No. 30, runs north for about forty-four chains and joins cart-track No. 1. Marked as No. II in the draft notification.
(2) Enters the reserve about eighteen chains north of cairn No. 25, runs north-east for about one mile and twenty chains and quits it about two chains south of cairn No. 9. Marked as No. III in the draft notification.

(Signed) R. H. L. LUSHINGTON,
Forest Sett.-officer, Ganjám, &c., districts.

Enclosure No. 3.—Draft notification.

Enclosure No. 4.

Statement of area and condition of the Marlagudem proposed reserve in the Polavaram division, Gódávari district.

Name of taluk.	Total area of taluk.	Area of Government land.		Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserves already submitted for notification under section 16.	Area of reserves now submitted for notification under section 16.		Character of land proposed for reservation.	
		Occupied.	Unoccupied.				Name.	Area.	How much forest?	How much grass?
	Acs.	Acs.	Acs.	Acs.	Acs.			Acs.		
Polavaram division (Yernagudem taluk).	*208,228	41,949	111,599	18,150	52,200	..	Marlagudem	2,100	All forest.	..

* Inclusive of the area (54,680 acres) of zemindari land.

Enclosure No. 5.

Statement showing the number of claims filed and their disposal.

Number and name of block.	Claims to rights of way.			Claims to grazing rights and to water cattle.			Claims of inam rights over lands.						Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
							Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.							
	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Number of claims.	Extent of land and number and nature of trees.	Number of claims.	Extent of land and number and nature of trees.	Number of claims.	Extent of land and number and nature of trees.	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
								Acs.		Acs.								
Marlagudem	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	† 8·0	1	8·0	..	..	1	1	..	4	4	..

† The land has been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act I of 1894.

Enclosure No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by A. W. PEET, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Waltair, 30th January 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 1221.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 189, dated 17th May 1898.

Submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The 30th September next may be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. The portion of the cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Buttayagudem that runs along the edge of the reserve should be diverted along the boundary line.

3. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Collector's letter, it is observed that the final notifications of the five * blocks referred to have not yet been submitted to this office. They have been pending for more than eight years, and it is undesirable that their final notification should be delayed any longer. The Collector is requested to pay particular attention to this matter.

* (1) Jeelugumilli.
(2) Darbhagudem.
(3) Papikonda.
(4) Kovvada.
(5) Kopalli.

4. The area of the block as finally settled is 2,100 acres.

(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. 353, Revenue, dated 23rd June 1898.

Forest No. 104.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St. George and Gódávari District Gazettes, the 30th September 1898 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Endorsement No. 353A.

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 30th September 1898, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted a reserved forest.

Schedule.

Number.	District.	Taluk.	Name of block.	Boundaries.
..	Godavari ..	Yernagudem ..	Marlagudem ..	*North.*—Starting from cairn No. 1 a straight line east-south-east for twenty-five chains to cairn No. 2; then south-east for twenty-four chains to cairn No. 3, then east-south-east for twenty chains to cairn No. 4; then a straight line in the same direction for forty-two chains to cairn No. 5; then a straight line in the same direction for twenty chains to cairn No. 6; then a straight line south-east for twenty-seven chains to cairn No. 7; then a straight line east-south-east for twenty-nine chains to cairn No 8. *East.*—Thence a straight line south-south-east for twelve chains to cairn No. 9; then a straight line south-south-west for fourteen chains to cairn No. 10; then south-south-east for nineteen chains to cairn No. 11; then in the same direction for twenty-four chains to cairn No. 12; then in the same direction for twenty-three chains to cairn No. 13; then in the same direction for thirty-two chains to cairn No. 14. *South.*—Thence a straight line west for about eighteen chains to cairn No. 15, on the right bank of Rallakalava (stream); thence along the north boundary of Lakkavaram estate marked by cairns Nos. 15 (*a*), 15 (*b*), 15 (*c*), 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 to the last-mentioned cairn. *West.*—Thence a straight line north for twenty-nine chains to cairn No. 23; then east for the same distance to cairn No. 24; then north-east for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 25; then in the same direction for the same distance to cairn No. 26; then again in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 27; then west for twenty-four chains to cairn No. 28; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 29; then south for ten chains to cairn No. 30; then west-north-west for twelve chains to cairn No. 31; then in the same direction for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 32; then in the same direction for twenty chains to cairn No. 33; then north-east for twenty chains to cairn No. 34; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to cairn No. 35; then in the same direction for sixteen chains to cairn No. 36; then in the same direction for twenty-two chains to cairn No. 37; then in the same direction for twenty-one chains to the starting point.

Remarks.—Right of way is allowed over the following cart-tracks and foot-path for men, cattle and carts to a width of six yards over the former and for men and cattle to a width of two yards over the latter:—

(I) *Cart-track from Akkampeta to Battayagudem.*—It enters the reserve about seven chains north of cairn No. 33, runs north-east and north through survey Nos. 59 and 58 of Seetaramanagaram for one mile and sixteen chains and quits the reserve at cairn No. 3.

(II) *Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Battayagudem.*—It enters the reserve at cairn No. 30, runs north for about forty-four chains and joins cart-track No. I.

(III) *Foot-path from Marlagudem to Lakshmudugudem.*—It enters the reserve about eighteen chains north of cairn No. 25, runs north-east for about one mile and twenty chains and quits it about two chains south of cairn No. 9.

(IV) *Cart-track from Jangareddigudem to Lakshmudugudem.*—It enters the reserve about one chain north-west of cairn No. 15, runs north-east for about twenty-eight chains and quits it about six chains south of cairn No. 13.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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