Revenue (1878.) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 379-379A

Dated 8th July 1878.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest. The draft notification under Sec. 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the constitution of the Chingleput block, in the Rajendrum Taluk, and ordered to be published in the Fort St. George Gazette.

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Confirmed July 8, 1898.

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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 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 ..	Chipinapi reserve ..	*North.*—Starting from cairn No. 1 at a point on the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest boundary, where the Topugunta village boundary crosses it, a straight ine to the south-west corner of survey No. 243-99 of Chipinapi; then the south side of that number up to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-east corner of survey No. 243-57. *East.*—Then a straight line east to the south-west corner of survey No. 243-95; then a straight line south to the westernmost corner of survey No. 244; then a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 243-101; then a straight line south-east to the south-west corner of survey No. 243-68 on the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest. *South and West.*—Then that reserved forest boundary to the starting point.

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

(i) The cart-track from Tegacherla to Topugunta to a width of five yards.—This enters the reserve about five chains east of the north-west corner of the reserve and running south for about seven chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.

(ii) The cart-track from Tegacherla to Kakivaya to a width of five yards.—This enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 243-99 and running south-west for about twenty-five chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.

(iii) Cart-track from Tegacherla to Chipinapi to a width of five yards.—This enters the reserve about two-and-a half chains west of the south-west corner of survey No. 243-57 and running south-west for about one mile two and three-fourth furlongs leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.

(iv) Foot-path for men only from Tegacherla to Pallakonda to a width of two yards.—This enters the reserve about two chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 243-68 of Chipinapi and running west for about two chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.

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

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

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From The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Land Revenue Madras

Forest No. 219.

Dated 6th June 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Forwarded draft notification for approval and publication under Sec: 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Chipinapi block in the Rapur Taluk, Nellore Dist., as a reserved forest.

* please see area statement printed on page 6 of the Current.

Order No. 379 of 5th July 1898.

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

WDK 5/7/98

To the B.S: 2R with the map

Supdt: Govt Press with notification. Dispatched 20-7-98

Endt No. 379A 25/7

Copy to S. I. R and agri: Dept 29-7-98

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Note Although only 420 acres in area, the block adjoins the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest (23,040 acres) and was for this reason ordered to be notified under Section 4 in G.O. 626 dated 27.4.97.

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Jeyacherla to Chipinapi to a width of 5 yards:— This enters the reserve a bout 2½ chains west of the South-west Corner of S.V.No. 243/57 and running South west for a bout 1 Mile 2¾ far long leaves it into the Rapur — yerra Konda reserved Forest.

(VI) Foot path for men only from Jegacherla to Palla Konda to a width of 2 yards:— This enters the reserve a bout 2 Chains North of the South-East Corner of S.V.No. 243/68 (of Chipinapi) and running West for a bout 2 Chains leaves it into the Rapur yerra konda reserved Forest.

G. A. Smith

Asst Settlement Officer

Asst Settlement Officer.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

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Proceedings, Forest No. 219, 6th June 1898.

JUNE.

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 Chipinapi block, in the Rapur taluk, Nellore district, as a reserved forest.

Dr Jones

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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 Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), through the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated 18th March 1898, No. 1673-Forest :—

In forwarding a copy of the Forest Settlement-officer's letter, Reference No. 94-B. & G., dated 16th February 1898, reporting the completion of the settlement of the Chipinapi reserve, Rapur taluk, 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. There is no objection to the grant of the privileges recommended by the Forest Settlement-officer in respect of the tank and well subject to revocation, when found desirable, by the Forest Department.

4. 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 16th February 1898, Ref. No. 94-B. & G.

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Chipinapi 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 at pages 554—556 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 4th May 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette, dated 3rd July 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 3rd September 1897.

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

(i) One petition by the ryots of Chipinapi requesting to exclude the whole land from reservation.

(ii) Two claims to repair the tank and the well in it constructed by Battula Narasappa Naidu and to allow the village cattle to drink water there.

(iii) Five claims to rights of way.

(iv) Two claims to Government patta and inam fields.

(v) Two claims to sivoijama fields.

(vi) Four claims to rights of way to fields.

The petition presented by the ryots of Chipinapi requesting to exclude the whole land from reservation, involved in item No. (i) was rejected, and the petitioners do not claim, neither have they, any right to the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was only the privilege of free grazing on land not required by Government. According to the village accounts, there are still 1,627·95 acres of waste available, exclusive of porambokes, as against 1,926·73 acres under holdings

including inams. The two claims to repair the tank and the well in it constructed by Battula Narasappa Naidu and to allow the village cattle to drink water there, involved in item No. (ii) were rejected, as the tank is on Government land. The cart-track by the side of which the tank is situated not having been admitted as a right of way, the tank will be of no use to travellers and their cattle; but as this is the only source of water-supply for the Chipinapi village cattle when the Chipinapi tank is dry, I would recommend that the claimants be allowed a privilege to repair the tank and well from time to time and that the village cattle of Chipinapi be allowed to water there only when the Chipinapi tank is dry, the exercise of these privileges being subject to the control of the Forest Department. Of the five claims to rights of way involved in item No. (iii), four claims were admitted, while the remaining one was rejected as unnecessary not having been admitted in the main (Rapur-Yerrakonda) reserved forest. The two claims to Government patta and inam fields involved in item No (iv) were admitted and the patta and inam fields have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. The two claims to sivoijama fields involved in item No. (v) were rejected, as the claimants have no right to them; but they have been excluded with the patta fields by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. The claims to rights of way to fields involved in item No. (vi) were rejected as unnecessary, the fields having been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve.

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

5. 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.

6. The date from which the 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 Chipinapi 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
1/1	Mathamanchi Oblannagari Penchalia and others of Chipinapi.	2nd Aug. 1897.	State that by the inclusion of the lands of their village in the old reserve they are obliged to pay kancha for 381 acres, that by the new line now cut for the proposed reserve certain cultivable lands and the tank and well constructed by Battula Narasappa Naidu have been included in the proposed reserve and that there will be no land for grazing their cattle which are more than three thousand and two hundred in number, and request to exclude the whole land from reservation.	The area statement furnished by the karnam shows that there are still 1,627·95 acres of waste available excluding porambokes as against 1,926·73 acres under holdings including inams.	District Forest-officer says that the reasonable requirements of the people have been complied with.	Petition rejected, as the petitioners do not claim, neither do they have, any right in the land. What they have hitherto enjoyed was the privilege of free grazing on land not required by Government at the time. This privilege is revokable at the pleasure of Government, and as there is ample waste still available for the use of the villager, no exclusion appears necessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 4th January 1898.
2/2	Battula Venkatarama Naidu and two others of Chipinapi.	15th Sept. 1897.	State that the tank and well in it constructed for charitable purposes by their father on the side of the cart-track from Chipinapi to Tegacherla for the use of travellers and cattle going by that route have been included in the reserve, and request that they may be allowed to keep possession of the same.	The tank and the well in it are on Government land, and the cart-track by the side of which they are situated has not been admitted as a right of way through the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	The District Forest-officer has no objection to allow (as a privilege) the village cattle to be watered at the tank when the Chipinapi tank is dry, subject to the control of the Forest Department.	Claims rejected as the tank is on Government land. The cart-track, by the side of which this is situated, not having been admitted as a right of way, the tank will be of no use to travellers and their cattle. But as this is the only source of water-supply for the Chipinapi village cattle when the Chipinapi tank is dry, it will be recommended that the claimants be allowed as a privilege to repair the tank and well from time to time, and that the village cattle of Chipinapi be allowed also as a privilege to water at the tank in question only when the Chipinapi tank is dry, the exercise of these privileges being subject to the control of the Forest Department. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 4th January 1898.
3/8	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	6th Dec. 1897.	Claims on behalf of the public right to use the water, by men and cattle, using the cart-track from Chipinapi to Tegacherla, of Battula Narasappa Naidu's tank and well in it.			
*4/3	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Pallakonda to Tegacherla.	Admitted in the main reserve. This enters the reserve about two chains north of the south-west corner of survey No. 243-68 of Chipinapi and running west for about two chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 4th January 1898.
5/4	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Chipinapi to Tegacherla and adds that this is a new cart-track.	This has not been admitted in the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	Considers it unnecessary.	Claim rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 4th January 1898.

* *Claim* 4.—I (iv).

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Chipinapi 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.
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*6/5	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	6th Dec. 1897.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over cart-track from Chipinapi to Tegacherla.	Admitted in the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest. This enters the reserve about two and a half chains west of the south-west corner of survey No. 243-57, and running south-west for about one mile two and three-fourth furlongs leaves it into the Rapúr-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	Admits claim	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 4th January 1898.
†7/6	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Kakivaya to Tegacherla.	Admitted in the main reserve (Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest). This enters the reserve at the south-west corner of survey No. 243-99, and running south-west for about twenty-five chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	Do.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 5th January 1898.
‡8/7	Ooblam Venkatasubbaiah, acting karnam of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the cart-track from Topugunta to Tegacherla.	This has been admitted in the main (Rapur-Yerrakonda) reserve. This enters the reserve about five chains east of the north-west corner of the reserve, and running south for about seven chains leaves it into the Rapur-Yerrakonda reserved forest.	Do.	Admitted as a cart-track to a width of five yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 5th January 1898.
9/9	Sooragudi Subbaiah of Thirumalapad.	Do.	Claims joint inam right over survey No. 244 of Chipinapi measuring 8·22 acres and assessed at Rs. 5-2-0 (Powrothi inam bearing no quit-rent).	Supported by village accounts.	May be excluded ..	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 5th January 1898.
10/10	Sooragudi Subbaiah of Thirumalapad.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 244 of Chipinapi.	....	Unnecessary if excluded.	Claim rejected as unnecessary owing to the exclusion of the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 5th January 1898.
11/11	Battula Narasaiah of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims joint patta right over survey Nos. 243-101 and 243-102 of Chipinapi measuring 7·66 and 15·89 acres and assessed at Rs. 9-9-0 and 19-14-0, respectively.	Supported by village accounts.	May be excluded ..	Claim admitted. The fields will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 5th January 1898.

* *Claim* 6.—I (iii). † *Claim* 7.—I (ii). ‡ *Claim* 8.—I (i).

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Chipinapi reserved forest, &c.—*cont.*

No.	Names of claimants.	Date of presentation of claims.	Nature and extent of claims preferred.	Brief abstract of decision and final disposal of the claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.	Brief summary of the District Forest-officer's arguments and evidence produced by him.	Brief summary of the evidence adduced in support of claims.
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12	Battula Narsaiah of Chipinapi.	6th Dec. 1897.	Claims right of way to survey Nos. 243-101 and 243-102 of Chipinapi.	Claim rejected as unnecessary owing to the exclusion of the fields. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.	Unnecessary if excluded.	....
13	Kalichipiti Gurappa of Chipinapi.	7th Dec. 1897.	Claims on behalf of his father about two acres of sivoijama cultivation in survey No. 243 of Chipinapi, of which about 0·80 acre are included within the reserve.	5th January 1898. Claim rejected as claimant has no patta for the land. The land has, however, been excluded with other fields by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.	Contests the claim ..	The village accounts show that claimant has no patta.
14	Kalichipiti Gurappa of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims right of way to the above sivoijama cultivation.	10th February 1898. Claim rejected as claimant has no right to the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.	....	....
15	Chipinapi Pichivadu of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims about three acres of sivoijama cultivation in survey No. 243 of Chipinapi, of which about 0·90 acre are included within the reserve.	10th February 1898. Claim rejected as claimant has no patta but the field has been excluded with other fields by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.	May be excluded ..	The village accounts show that the claimant has no patta.
16	Chipinapi Pichivadu of Chipinapi.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 243 of Chipinapi.	10th February 1898. Claim rejected as the claimant has no right to the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 10th February 1898.	....	....

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

AREA statement to accompany the final notification of the Chipinapi reserve.

Taluk.	Area of the taluk.	Extent of Government land, occupied and unoccupied: Occupied.	Extent of Government land, occupied and unoccupied: 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. Block.	How much forest.	How much grass land.	Probable extent of land left for grazing purposes in the immediate vicinity of the reserves.
Rapur	ACS. 381,440	ACS. 66,173	ACS. 254,868	ACS. 94,633	ACS. 14,700	....	Chipinapi reserved forest, area ..	ACS. 280	ACS. 140	....
							ACS. 420			

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.		
	Filed.		Admitted.		Rejected.							
	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Chipinapi reserve	2	ACS. 31·77	2	ACS. 31·77	..	..	5	4	1	..	..	..

Name and number of the block.	Claims to Sivoijama fields.			Rights of way to fields.			Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Chipinapi reserve	2	..	2	4	..	4	3	..	3	16	6	10

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated Madras, 24th March 1898, No. 1551.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 219, dated 16th June 1898.

The draft notification received with the letter read above will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, with the recommendation that the 15th October next be fixed as the date from which the reservation shall take effect.

2. With reference to the petition by the ryots of Chipinapi to exclude the whole area from reservation, the Board considers that the ryots have no real grievance, as it appears from paragraph 3 of the Forest Settlement-officer's report that the balance of waste still left in the village, exclusive of porambokes, forms about 85 per cent. of the area now under occupation.

3. The concession in respect of the tank and well referred to in paragraph 3 of the Collector's letter should be granted by a departmental order.