

Revenue (1898) Department.

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G.O., No. 78

Dated 8th February

[Despatch Abstract.]

Selecting certain non-official
witnesses to give evidence before the
Indian Finance Commission.

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REVENUE (1898) DEPARTMENT

CURRENT No. 884.

From
The Honorary Secretaries
I.F.C.R. Fund,
Madras Branch.

Dated 1st February 1898

Await further communication
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SUBJECT.

Stating that the names of gentlemen to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission will be reported on the 3rd February.

30-1-98.

To

The Honorary Secretaries,
I.F.C.R.F., Madras.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your communication about the Famine Commission I beg to state that the Rev:W.H.Campbell, Jammalmadugu, is willing to send written notes of evidence but feels unable to attend the Commission either at Madras or at Bellary to give oral evidence. The Reverend gentleman was written to with the approval of the Committee.

M.R.Ry.C.RamachandraRao Garu B.A., B.L., is also willing to give evidence but he says he will be prepared to attend at Bellary. As his consent has been received just now, I have not yet had time to get his name approved by the Committee. I am sending his name round among the members of the Executive Committee and very probably his selection will be approved. As I will not be in a position to get the approval of the entire Committee before tomorrow, I write this note in advance.

As regards the name of the Honorary Secretary, Cuddapah, called for, I beg to state that there are three Secretaries, Viz: (1) T. Ranga Rao, Deputy Collector,

(2) A.S. Vaithinatha Iyer, Head Master,
and (3) myself.

If your intention was that the Secretaries should give evidence, as for myself, I feel rather diffident in taking upon myself such a serious task. I would rather I were excused. The first named gentleman is an official and the second is not in the station.

I am

Yours sincerely

S/d. T.M. Munisamy Iyer

Secretary.

(True copy)

W. Beauchamp

Honorary Secretary

From

Barnatyne Macleod Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law
Collector of Anantapur.

To

The Honorary Secretary to the I.F.C.P. Fund
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement on G.O.No.356

1. M.R.Ry.P.Kesava Pillay

Pleader, Gooty.

2. .. M.Lakshminarasinha Sastrulu

Pleader, Tadpatri.

3. .. S.Vedajee Row

Pleader, Anantapur.

4. .. S.Seshasastrulu B.A., B.L.

High Court Vakil, Penukonda.

5. Rev.J.M.Ure, London Mission, Gooty.

& Hon: Secy. M.R.Ry.C.RaghavendraCharlu has been directed to be present

Deputy Tahsildar, Uravakonda.

Mis dated 22nd instant requesting
me to inform the names of the non-
official gentlemen who may be ask-
ed to give evidence before the
Famine Commission at Bellary, I have
the honour to state that the mar-
ginally noted gentlemen may be of
use on the occasion. The Honorary
Secretary of the District Committee
as desired by you.

I have the honour to.

S/d Shannysundaram
for President.

(True copy)

Henry Beauchamp
Honorary Secretary

PRESS SECRETARY

Bellary,
31st. January 1898.

From

M.R.Ry. T. Rama Rao Garu, Rao Bahadur,
Honorary Secretary, I.F.C.R.F.,

Bellary,

To

The Honorary Secretaries,
I.F.C.R. Fund Committee,

Madras.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your endorsement dated 24th. January 1898, on the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 356, mis., dated 22nd. January 1898, Revenue Department, I have the honour to suggest the names of the following gentlemen who may be asked to give evidence before the Commission. The Proceedings under reference have been circulated among them for information.

1. M.R.Ry. P.C. Anantha Charlu Garu, Rao Bahadur.
2. „ P. Rama Rao Garu.
3. „ S. Marisiddappa Garu.
4. „ J.P. Cotelingham Garu.
- & 5. Mr. Mathew Abraham.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant

(Signed) T. Rama Rao,

Honorary Secretary,

I.F.C.R. Fund,

Bellary.

(True copy)

H. Beauchamp
Honorary Secretary

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INDIAN FAMINE CHARITABLE RELIEF FUND,
MADRAS BRANCH,

Madras, 1st. February 1898.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,

Fort St. George.

Sir,

With reference to G.O., No. 356, mis., Revenue Department, dated 22nd. January, we have the honour to inform you that, on receipt of the order, copies were communicated to all the members of the Executive Committees ^{as also to the Committees} in Ganjam, Vizagapatam and the four Deccan districts. Replies have been received from the Cuddapah, Anantapur and Ballary District Committees and are herewith submitted. The Executive Committee meets tomorrow and will then consider the nomination of one or more of its members to give evidence before the Commission. We will report the result to Government the day after tomorrow.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

M. J. J. J.
Henry Beauchamp

Honorary Secretaries.

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1.2.98

Revenue 1898 Department
Current No. 981.

From

Mr. Honorary Secretaries

L. J. C. R. Fund.

Madras

To

Mr. Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

For & June

Dated 3rd February 1898

Recd 4th -

Regis 4th -

Subject

Submitting copy of letter
from the District Commit-
tee, Cuddalore, stating
that the Rev W. H. Camp-
bell is prepared to give
evidence at Bellary
before the Indian Finance
Commission.

INDIAN FAMINE CHARITABLE RELIEF FUND,

MADRAS BRANCH,

Madras, 2nd February 1898.

Letter from Mr. R. R. I. in Munuswamy
Iyer Auerghal. B. A. Honorary Secretary,
District Committee, Indian Famine
Charitable Relief Fund, Cuddalore,
dated the 2nd February 1898:.

"I have just received a note
from the Rev W. H. Campbell of Jam
malamudugw, that he is prepared
to attend the Famine Commission
at Bellary."

Submitted for the information
of Government, Revenue Department
in continuation of this office letter
of the 18th instant.

Henry Beauchamp

My nomination
Honorary Secretary

Revenue 1898 Department
Current No 983.

From

The Honorary Secretaries
Indian Famine charitable
Relief Fund. Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George.

Dated 3rd February 1898

Recd 4th

Regis 4th

Subject

Informing that the Execu-
tive Committee has nomi-
nated the Honorable C Jan-
bulingam Mudaliyar to
give evidence before the
Indian Famine Commis-
sion.

INDIAN FAMINE CHARITABLE RELIEF FUND,
MADRAS BRANCH,

Madras, 3rd February 1898.

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George.

Sir,

In continuation of our letter of
the first instant, we have the honor
to inform you that the Executive
Committee at its meeting yesterday
nominated the Honorable Mr. Cham-
berlinga Mudaliar to give evidence
before the Famine Commission.

We have the honor to be

Sir,

your most obedient servants

Henry Beauchamp

M. J. S. S. S.
Honorary Secretaries

Ans. 841, 981, and 983/98

Note.

In para 2 of C. O. No. ³⁵⁶/_{22.1.98}, the Honorary Secretaries of the D.F.C.R. Fund Madras Branch, were informed that the Govt. will be glad to receive the names of non-official gentlemen who are in a position to give useful evidence before the Famine Commission. The contents read above embody the replies received with reference to this Govt. order.

2. The Executive Committee has nominated the Honble C. Jambulinga Mudaliar to give evidence before the Commission. The Committee nomination may be accepted and the Honble gentleman may be asked to present himself before the Committee at Madras on the 14th or 15th Instant.

3. Copies of the order ^{has} been also communicated to the several District Committees, but replies having as yet been received from the districts of Cuddalore, Pudukottai and Bellary, the Honorary Secy are forwarding also copies of these Com.

x Cus 983/98

Yes
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munications also.

Cuddapah. The Govt. has already accepted, on the recommendation of the Board of Revenue, the names of the Rev. Mr. H. Campbell of Cuddapah and Mr. T. M. Munisamy Aiyar, Secretary to the District Committee, as witnesses. And no further addition seems necessary.

Anantapur. The Committee recommended five names, one of whom, the Rev. Mr. T. M. Vre of Cooty, has already been selected as a witness. The place and date of his examination has however to be fixed. ^{Ten} ~~Seven~~ witnesses have already been selected to give evidence at Bellary where the Commission sits for two days, and as Mr. Mcintosh has intimated at "if possible, not more than six witnesses should be asked to attend on one day, and as the time fixed for Bellary is short, it is desirable that as few witnesses as possible should be ^{directed} ~~asked~~ to attend there", not more than two names can be added to the Bellary list. In Madras, the Commission sits six days, but up till now, only twenty witnesses have

But Munisami Aiyar is not keen about attending & I don't press him?

No. Munisami Aiyar has not given evidence, but he has answered two questions.

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note note for C
10 including Munisami Aiyar

Para 3 of letter at p. 5 of 5.6.47

At Bellary on 21st or 22nd

I don't think more are required to attend

Office
Who or what are they: can you find out?

- Some lives in Bellary & know the people
- (1) Govt Pleader Bellary (B.A. B.L.)
now made a Rev. Bahadur. also municipal chairman for some time
 - (2) Pleader of Court. also municipal chairman for some time (B.A.)
 - (3) A merchant (Belieue)
 - (4) Principal - Wandlaur College Mission - Second grade)
 - (5) A rich private European gentleman - also a merchant I think

RS
-2-98
Munisami Aiyar has been examined, I think 2 & 5 will be selected

been selected to give evidence, at the station. Orders are requested as to when and where the Rev. gentleman should be instructed to present himself to give evidence, and whether any more names from Anantapur should be added to the list of witnesses.

Bellary. The Committee suggests the following five names, none of whom have as yet been selected:-

- (1) Mr. P. C. Ananda charu farm
- (2) P. Rama. Ram farm
- (3) S. Marisiddappa farm
- (4) J. P. Kotelisingam farm
- (5) Mr. Matthew Abraham.

~~Perhaps these 5 names above may be selected, but if it should be decided to ask the Rev. Mr. Vre to give evidence at Bellary, any additional witnesses, ^(excepting perhaps one) that way be selected will have to present themselves at Madras to give evidence.~~

RS
5-2-98
H. H. Please see marginal notes. For Bellary not more than 5 of the five persons named need be ~~present~~ ^{present} at Bellary, I think.

Issue telegram
forbidding
9.2.88

Note

The H.M.'s instructions in regard to Munisami Aiyar is not clear. The Commission does not expect any answers to the list of questions issued by it as this ~~was~~ ^{is} intended only to indicate the scope of the subjects to which the enquiries of the Famine Commission will extend.

See I submit that in the circumstances nothing need be said about Munisami Aiyar in the Draft R.P. for which please see overleaf

W
9/2/88

H.M. means on points 1-4 in the first letter. The F.C. particularly states that the detailed Qs are not to be answered

SP
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Issue as amended
by
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MS
8.2.88

Read again pps. nos. $\frac{47}{25.1.98}$ & $\frac{65}{1.2.98}$

Read also 84, 981, & 983/98

Order No. 78 of 5th Feb 1898

attendance
late
of 1898

The Govt. also selects the following gentlemen as non-official witnesses to give evidence before the Famine Commission. They will be requested to present themselves before the Commission at the dates stations and on the dates specified below and to transmit to Govt in advance a copy of their written note of evidence on the subjects referred to in para 4 of Mr Mc Deter's letter of the 13th January 1898, printed in the first of the papers read above:—

Name of witness	Place of examination	Date of examination
1. The Hon. C. Jambun- lingam Mudaliar	Madras	14 th or 15 th Feb 98
2. Mr. P. Rama Rau Cora	Bellary Madras	21 st or 22 nd Feb 15 th or 16 th Feb
3. Mr. Matthew Abraham	Bellary Madras	21 st or 22 nd Feb 15 th or 16 th Feb

2. Mr. Rev. J. M. We will be informed that he should present himself before the Commission at Bellary for examination on the 21st or 22nd Instant. Mr. P. Rama Rau is not particular about
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of 1898

appearing before the Commission
to give evidence.
and the Govt is therefore not
inclined to press him to do it,
but trusts that he will try
to answer the questions put
to him by the Commission.

In Rky. humsani Q. no.
with h. requested to send
a note upon the points
referred to in para 4.9.
Mr Mcintosh's letter just
above but with not h. required
to attend for examination.

1/2
8/2/98
to the gentlemen selected
with copy of 47
28.1.98
list of questions & addendum
there to.

Re. Rev. J. M. Wre, Cooty.
W. H. Commission. P. 19. Cuddalore
Copy to the Board of Rev. Sett.
Secy. D. F. C.

Telegram to the gentlemen selected. & except No. 1.

"Government nominates you
to give evidence (before) (the) Famine
Commission. (at) Bellary (on the) 21st
of Instant. Refer notification pages
of Govt. G. O. Gazette. Part I 18 January
& send note of evidence beforehand."

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8/2/98

Government (1898) of Madras. REVENUE.

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G.O., No. 78, 8th February 1898.

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Indian Famine Commission.

Selecting certain non-official witnesses to give evidence before the —.

Recd. 8/2/98
Recd. 18/2/98

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again G.O., No. 47, Revenue, dated 28th January 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, to name the Public Works officers who have had the largest experience in the administration of relief works during the late famine, and selecting, meanwhile, certain officers to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission.

READ—again G.O., No. 65, Revenue, dated 1st February 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Selecting certain non-official witnesses to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission.

READ—also letter from the Honorary Secretaries, Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund, Madras Branch, dated 1st February 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Stating that the names of gentlemen to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission will be reported on the 3rd February.

READ—also letter from the same Officers, dated 3rd February 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting copy of letter from the District Committee, Cuddapah, stating that the Revd. W. H. Campbell is prepared to give evidence at Bellary before the Indian Famine Commission.

READ—also letter from the same Officers, dated 3rd February 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Informing that the Executive Committee has nominated the Honourable C. Jambulingam Mudaliyar to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission.

ORDER—No. 78, Revenue, dated 8th February 1898.

Miscellaneous.

The Government also selects the following gentlemen as non-official witnesses to give evidence before the Indian Famine Commission. They will be requested to present themselves before the Commission at the stations and on the dates specified below and to transmit to Government in advance a copy of their written note of evidence on the subjects referred to in paragraph 4 of Mr. McIntosh's letter of the 13th January 1898, printed in the first of the papers read above.

Name of witness.	Place of examination.	Date of examination.
1. The Hon'ble C. Jambulingam Mudaliyar.	Madras	14th or 15th Feb. 1898.
2. M.R.Ry. P. Rama Rau Garu	Bellary	21st or 22nd " "
3. Mr. Mathew Abraham	Do.	21st or 22nd " "

2. The Revd. J. M. Ure will be informed that he should present himself before the Commission at Bellary for examination on the 21st or 22nd instant. M.R.Ry. Munisami Aiyar will be requested to send a note upon the points referred to in paragraph 4 of Mr. McIntosh's letter quoted above, but will not be required to attend for examination.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Gentlemen selected, with copy of G.O., No. 47,
dated 28th Jan. 1898, and list of questions
and addendum thereto.

„ Revd. J. M. Ure, Gooty.

„ M.R.Ry. Munisami Aiyar, Cuddapah.

Copy to the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement,
Land Records and Agriculture).

„ „ Secretary to the Indian Famine Commission.

Erd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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