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Approving with remarks, the proposal to resume the charitable inam in Kunnandal village, Ramnad Zamindari, Madura Dt.

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From

The Board of Revenue, Land Revenue, Madras.

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REF. B. No. 160

Dated 19th April 1899

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Order Nil

Recorded, pending receipt of the report called for from the Collector as to the specific purpose upon which the surplus income of the inam might be expended.

to the Board goln: d.R

19/5/99

SUBJECT.

Recommending the resumption of the charitable Inam in Kuriendal — village, Ramnad Zamindari, Madura Dt. & the transfer of the superintendence & management of the Nanda Gopala — chattram at Rameswaram together with its endowment to the Taluk Board, ~~of~~ Ramnad.

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Office of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue)

Madras, dated 19th April 1899.

Read the following papers:-

(1) Letter from J.G.D.Partridge Esq., Ag. Collector of Madura to the - Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras, R.on C.No. 2527-M.P. of '97, dated 12th March 1898; and reference thereon No.390, dated 2nd April 1898.

(2). Also letter from the same officer, R.on C.No.2527-M.P. of '97, dated 10th September 1898.

(3) Also petition from Duraisinga Pillai and others, ryots of Kumariyendal village, Ramnad Zamindary, Madura District, dated 7th September 1898.

And reference thereon No.1100 dated 30th September 1898.

(4) Also letter from the same officer Dis.No.492-R/98, dated 5th - October 1898; and reference thereon No.1242, dated 3rd November 98.

(5) Also letter from the same officer Dis.No.348-Rev.R. of 99, dated 18th March 1899.

Reference B.No.160, dated 19th April 1899

One half of the village of Kumariendal in the Ramnad Zamindari was assigned in the year 1748 by the then Zamindar as inam for the support of the Nanda Gopala Chattram at Rameswaram. It appears from the Inam Deputy Collector's report dated 21st May 1863 in the Inam Register, that the Hakdars of the chattram having failed to conduct the charity-viz.-annadanam or free distribution of meals- and to repair the chattram, the inam was attached by the Zamindar in fasli 1261 (1851-52) and that 10 years before the date of the report, i.e. about the year 1853, one half of the chattram building had fallen into decay and the other half converted into a temple (Hanumar Kovil). In his order dated 17th - September '64 which is also to be found in the Inam Register the - Inam Commissioner ordered the resumption of the Inam and the endowment was accordingly under the management of the Deputy Tahsildar of Ramnad from faslis 1275 to 1278 (1865-1868). In the

meantime

meantime the then manager of the zamindari repaired the tank and offered to improve the chattram and the Inam Commissioner by his order dated 7th February 68 directed the issue of a title deed No.872 for the inam in question on the condition that a written agreement should be taken from the zamindar for the restoration of the charity within such time as the Collector might think proper. An informal agreement was taken from the zamindar, but no time appears to have been fixed by the Collector for the execution of the necessary repairs. The zamindar took no steps to reconstruct the building or to perform the charity.

2. On being served by the Collector with a notice pointing out the failure to revive the charity, the present Raja is reported to have stated in reply that there was no need to do so, as there were 14 other chattrams in Rameswaram where pilgrims were fed and that the proceeds of the inam had been merged in the general devastanam funds of the Zamindari and utilized for charities elsewhere. The Board agrees, however with the Collector in considering that the maintenace of the chattram in question at Rameswaram according to the intention of the original donor should be insisted on, if possible, and accordingly recommends that the inam which consists of the melvaram share of the produce, payable by the tenants who have the occupancy right, may be resumed and made over to the Taluk Board, Ramnad. The annual income from the village has been variously estimated but it appears to be about Rs.1000, from which should be deducted a poruppu of Rs.76-15-4 payable to the Zamindar. The Taluk Board proposes to utilize the balance first in repairing the irrigation tank in the inam villages, after which the chattram itself will be reconstructed at an estimated cost of Rs.2000 and ten Brahmans will be fed every day, the number being increased in proportion to the increase in revenue. The Collector reports that the present building is in a dangerous condition and that no idol is now kept in that portion of the building which is said to have been taken up for the Hanuman temple. There seems therefore to be no objection to the Taluk Board taking up the chattram with the inam. The Board considers, however, that after the tank has been repaired and the chattram rebuilt, any surplus which may accrue to the Taluk Board should be devoted not to the feeding of brahmans, a form of charity which has long been discontinued without any protest on the part of the persons benefited by it, but to some other benevolent or charitable purpose in accordance with para 2 of G.O.No.1159 Revenue, dated 2nd August 1875. The specific purpose on which the surplus should be spent should be reported by the Collector in due course for the approval of Government. In the meantime the Board recommends that under section 51 (2) of the Madras Local Boards Act V of 1884 the superintendence and management of the chattram together with its endowments may be transferred to the Local Board named above.

Lawrence Davidson

Ag. Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
-- the Collector of Madura.

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Revenue Department

Cur No. 2798.

From The Board of Rev. (L.R)

Ref B. no 160 Dated 19th April 1899.

FOR ORDERS.

The Zamindar of Ramnad having neglected to repair the chattram and to revive the charity (annadanam or free distribution of food), the Board recommends that the niram which consists of the melvaram share of the produce payable by the ryots who have the occupancy right, be resumed and made over to the Taluk Board, Ramnad. The Board's recommendation may, it is submitted, be approved.

2 The annual income is estimated at Rs 1,000 from which should be deducted a poruppu of Rs 76-15-4 payable to the Zamindar. Allowed

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would appear that the Taluk
Bd proposes to repair out of the
income, the tank irrigating
the inam village, to reconstruct
the chattram at an esti-
mated cost of Rs 2,000, and
to feed the Brahmans every
day, the number being in-
creased in proportion to the
increase in revenue. The
Board of Rev has no objection to make
over the chattram with the inam
to the Dc. Bd., but observes that
after the tank has been repaired
and the chattram rebuilt,
any surplus which may
accrue should be devoted not
to the feeding of Brahmans
but to some other benevolent
or charitable purpose in acc-
ordance with para 2 of GO 1169 2-8-75
though annadanam or free
distribution of food seems to
be the main object of the charity,
it has long been discontinued,
without any protest on the
part of the persons benefited
by it. It also appears that
there are 14 chattrams in
Rameswaram

yes

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para 1 of the comment.

Rameswaram where pil-
grims are fed. There seems
therefore to be no necessity
to revive the annadanam
now. The chattram if repaired
will probably be used by
pilgrims and travellers.
The report called for by the Board
of Rev. as to the best means
of utilizing the surplus
income may be awaited.

3. The Board of Rev. recom-
mends that in the meantime
the superintendence and
management of the chattram
together with its endowment
may be transferred to the
Local Board under sec 5 (2)
of the Madras Local Boards
Act V of 1884. As the neces-
sary orders will have to issue
in the Legl Dept. this question
may be remitted to that Dept.

Secy
11/5/99

Secy

Submitted that the
Endowment need not be made over
to the Taluk Bd until after they have
undertaken to devote it in a way which
commends itself to the Govt

18/5/99

Dj No 404 dt 29-1-96 M
No 4120 dt 25-10-94 N

Legl
18/5/99

Dgree. but
have them recommit
first

To C&S

Please see draft order in docket. In the absence of orders directing the resumption of the inam the Zamindar will continue to enjoy its proceeds.

Of course revise the draft to resume but not to grant pattah until report is received

19.5.99

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To the London Secretary.

Please see revised draft below.

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Read Board's Reference Ben 160 dt 19.4.99 (rec. 27th 29th 99).

G.O. (mis) No. 1877 dt 25th May 99

The proposal to resume the inam is approved. Orders on the Board's recommendation to transfer the endowment to the Kannad Taluk Board will be deferred pending receipt of the report called for from the Collector as to the specific purpose on which the ~~Taluk Board~~ will undertake to spend the surplus income of the inam ~~is proposed to be spent by the Taluk Board.~~

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23/V/99

To The Board of Rev (Ltd.) - Dft dt 26.5.99.

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