

Revenue (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 60

DATED 5th January 99

[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing Mr. Nicholson, with reference
that the Govt. regrets the inability to
comply with his request in the
matter of the part of land to be for
housing on the premises.

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Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 11/34

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From

A. G. Nicholson Esq
Comr
Mylajiris

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Order in Council 1060 of 5th Jan. 1899.

Mr Nicholson has already been furnished with a copy of G.O. No. 476 of 25.8.98 and of the letter from the Colonial Secy Singapore No 6992 of 12.10.98 — 2. Mr Nicholson will be informed that the Govt requests the unable to comply with his other requests.

Dated 12th Nov.

Received 14th

Registered 14th

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Requesting Govt. for a copy of Mr. Brindley's report on the possibility of creating Rubber producing forests in the Mijir District and stating that he will plant Para & Castor Rubber on the Chevaroy Hills, if Govt. will give him a block of land & seeds or plants.

To

A. G. Nicholson Esq, Comr

Secy. 7-1-99

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November 12th 1898

The Secretary to Government.
Revenue Department
Madras

Dear Sir,

On 19th ultimo by the advice of Mr. Broadbent,
Curator of the Government Botanic Gardens, Cochin,
I wrote to you for a copy of his "Report on the possibility
of creating Rubber-producing forests in this District".
But not having received a copy I am afraid that my
letter must have gone astray & therefore write again to
ask you kindly to send me a copy as I am anxious
to try if Rubber will succeed on the Sheraroy Hills
in the Salem District.

If Government will give me a block of land & seeds or
plants I will plant Para & Castilloa rubber on the
Sheraroy Hills & report results annually.

I would conduct the experiment without assistance
but I have no land left for the purpose & I am
afraid to plant it amongst my coffee for fear
of its proving injurious, and with this glut in the
coffee market I cannot afford to experiment without
assistance yet it is evident that Planters must look
to something besides tea & coffee for a living and we
hope that Government will do something to assist
us in the way I suggest. I may state that I had
a block of about 100 acres granted to me in a Reserve on
the Sheraroy but this is unsuitable & I have applied
to the Forest Department to exchange this for another

More convenient & suitable block in another Reserve. If Government will recommend this exchange & give me the land free instead of charging me 10/- per acre it will be all that is necessary as far as the land is concerned but to obtain seeds & plants is a very difficult & expensive matter in which I would ask further assistance. Trusting that you will give this matter your immediate attention as clearing operations must begin in January.

I have the honor to be
Dear Sir

Yrs faithfully

A. G. Nicholson

Address

A. G. Nicholson

Cornwall

(Current No. 77³⁷)

From A. S. Nicholson Esq. Comr.

Dated 12 - 11 - 1898.

FOR ORDERS.

To Under Secy.:

Mr Nicholson refers to his previous letter of 19.10.98 (disposed of in G.O. No. 4417 of 12.11.98) and asks for help in the following directions:

(i) To be furnished with a copy of Mr Proudlock's report on the possibility of growing rubber producing trees on the Nilgiris.

A copy of G.O. No 476 of 25.8.98 together with a copy of the Colonial Secy's letter Singapore dated in G.O. No 713 of 25.11.98 was furnished to Mr Nicholson in G.O. No 4417 of 12.11.98.

(ii) To be given a block of land on the Chennaroy together with rubber seed or plants.

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FOR ORDERS.

Mr Nicholson made a similar request in his letter in G.O. No 4417 of 12.11.98 but the Secy then noted that he should only be furnished with a copy of G.O. No 4768 of 25.8.98 and of the Colonial Secy's letter above referred to. Mr Nicholson now states that he was before planted 100 acres in a reserve in the Shennarays; that it is unsuitable for the cultivation of rubber trees; that he has applied to the Forest Dept. for the exchange of the land with a more convenient and suitable block in another reserve. He requests that the land may be planted free instead of being charged with Rs 10 an acre.

A careful search has been made in the records but no papers are traceable as to when 100 acres were planted to him in a reserve and how the assessment came to be fixed at Rs 10. It is however observed that the sanction

sanction of the Govt of India will have to be obtained for the grant of land free of assessment.

For orders as to whether Mr Nicholson may be informed that the Govt. regrets to be unable to comply with his request in this respect.

It is presumed that no action need be taken in regard to obtaining seed for Mr Nicholson as he

now knows that ^{10.12.98} Singapore seed is not available in

quantity
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12/12/98

H. M.

There is no reason why Mr Nicholson should get a special grant of land to grow rubber. There are many other people experimenting in the same direction. If his request were granted, where are we to stop?

13/12/98

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15-12-98

I enclose 11/12
15-12-98

To Under Secy
 Please see Draft 2.0.
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STATEMENT WITH ITTO.

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